

# THE BULLETIN

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#### Our Working Life's Blood



Brass, brass, brass—from the time balanced amounts of copper and zinc are alloyed with other metals in the Casting Shop down to the finished products we use in everyday life—it makes Waterbury go 'round. Of stone, wood and steel, cities are built, but brass is the mortar that holds Waterbury together. Without a progressive brass industry, what would Waterbury be today?

## C. P. Cook, With Scovill 45 Years, Retires

Rose From Clerk's Post To Assistant Secretary

One of Scovill's most valuable assets was lost on February 1, when Clarence Parker Cook, Assistant Secretary of the Company, made effective his retirement after 45 years' service. Beginning his Scovill career as a cost clerk in 1901 and steadily rising to the post of Sales Manager in charge of the Drug and Cosmetic Container Division, "Dan" left immediately for a three months sojourn in Florida.

"The trip's just for a rest," he remarked, "and you can bet that I'll be back in Connecticut, for when I return in March, I intend to make my home up in Salisbury." As to plans for the future, he said, "Nothing concrete as yet, but I do plan to get in

some good fishing."



Clarence P. Cook

Coming to Scovill right after receiving his degree from Sheffield Scientific School at Yale, he became Drug and Cosmetic Sales Supervisor in 1931, Division Sales Manager in 1936, and 1945 rose to his present position.

After World War 1, Mr. Cook was greatly responsible for the blossoming of the drug and cosmetic container (Continued on Page 8, Column 4)

# Industries Of Waterbury Launch Education Effort

With many national figures voicing statements about "What's wrong with everything," the Industries of Waterbury group will launch via radio and newspapers beginning February 3, a campaign to shed light on a few things which are right and basic with the hope that it will lead to sound thinking and to a better understanding.

Basic economic effects on the lives of all Americans—what people should know about prices, wages, living costs, competition, and other factors—will form the backbone of the programs sponsored by the major portion of Waterbury's industrial concerns. By illustrations in newspapers, by dramatized programs over WBRY, the Constitution and Bill of Rights will be shown as the basis of American living as well as other factors which affect the daily life of all Americans.

While the dramatizations will use Waterbury as the scene of action, the economic education program applies to

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## **Politics In Action**

The Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers, C.I.O. is again torn with internal strife. Public name calling, charges and counter charges are the order of the day. In the meantime, who wins? Certainly not the membership.

Whether Union President Robinson is a Communist or not, we don't know. Nor do we know whether or not the recent election was stolen. One thing is sure, however. An International Union is a political organization which is granted excessive power by the Federal Government with no responsibility to the people. A political organization without controls too often goes sour.

Unions are particularly subject to racketeering, because there is little or no control over them by the public. The idea back of unions is excellent. They are supposed to improve the lot of the worker. But in their present uncontrolled state of special privilege, they have shaken the foundations of our type of government. Their leaders are above the law to which the rest of us are subject.

It seems clear that Scovill employees have long since seen through the political antics of the Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers' Union. They have refused to support the Union. In December 1946, about 800 out of over 5,500 eligible for union membership had union dues checked off by the company.

The sickening public exhibition of irresponsibility of many unions can only lead, and rightly, to legislation that will protect the public and the membership from all powerful union leadership. We suggest that you write your Congressman and demand suitable legislation to remove from unions "special privilege" and place on them full responsibility before the law for their activities.

Freedom does not mean license. It means full acceptance of responsibility in return for trust.

# New \$7,000,000 Rolling Mill Approved Expansion Policy Will Add To Stability Of Community

Continuation of the Scovill policy to improve and increase its production facilities in Waterbury, and thereby contribute to the stability of the entire community, was given a further boost last week when the Civilian Production Administration approved plans for a \$7,000,000 brass rolling mill. To provide facilities for the handling of heavy bar brass, Buildings 68 and 132 in the East Plant will be altered and extended.

In the plans which call for a building of modern design will be the latest handling equipment, an accompanying machine shop, offices, locker rooms and a hospital. Work is to be started in the near future.

The chief purpose of the new mill, as Vice-President Alan C. Curtiss stated, will be to provide modern handling facilities for heavy bars and reduce greatly the hazards involved in present handling methods. Other values derived from the new project will be to provide improved facilities for the Tube Mill.

With increased flat metal capacity resulting from the improvements, greater job opportunities will be offered. It is expected that the new mill will be in operation in about two and one half years.

Plans for the new mill show that the East Yard of the Plant will be extended towards Hamilton Avenue to provide the additional area required. In centering the new rolling mill in Waterbury, Mr. Curtiss said that the Company is continuing expansion policies that will contribute further to the stability of the entire community.

Building 132 was formerly Case 1 while Building 68 holds both the Extruded Rod and Tube Mills. Heavy bar metal rolling is at present being done in Building 68.

## **Arranging Banquet**



Foremen's banquet chairman, Jim Hoben of the North Mill, said that the March 1 event at Temple Hall would be limited to 550. "It's going to be the best yet," he said. Tickets will be sold, "first come—first served."

## Gleanings Around The Plant

By Russ Hickman

This Week's story is about a prosperous hardware storekeeper who got in the clutches of a tout. He lost his life savings and then his store. When he next encountered the tout the man wept: "You even made me lose my hardware store! "Don't tell me," replied the tout with dis-dain, "that you didn't have the sense to save yourself a pick and shovel!"

MIKE MORAN, Plant Protection, is

organizing a Guards' swimming team which will take on all comers in any pond or pool. Training will be of the vigorous type. TERRY MACKIN is to get down to weight; JOE GOGGINS is to lay off eating creampuffs and chocolate eclairs for lunch. Also, if JIM LEARY doesn't stop smoking cigars, MIKE intends to replace him with ED REBAR or PADDY CRONIN in the diving events. ED ROACH has to swim in distance without the aid of water wings.

Making a home call around Warner Place, MARIE HAYES, Employee Rela-

tions, said to a wife, "I hear your daughter is very happily married, Celeste," The quick reply was: "Yes indeed, ah'll say

### Interest Increased By Credit Union No.1

While the past few years have brought meager interest returns to credit union members as a whole, a gradual but definite business upswing in the latter part of 1946 rewarded 1,827 members of Credit Union 1 a two per cent return. Issued at the annual meeting January 23, it was one-half per cent over last year's dividend. Also increased from \$1,500 to \$2,500 was the maximum amount a member could deposit.

Loaning over \$900,000 in the past nine years in 7,545 loans, the unit is now in excellent financial condition according to officers. The year 1947 looms as a prosperous year, they said, and stated that 1947 will match this past return, perhaps more. Now totaling over 1,800 members, 321 new accounts were opened last year.

Elected to the vice-presidency was J. R. Wolff while George Garrity was again named treasurer and Francis Martin was posted as clerk of the board of directors. Other members elected at the meeting were Robert Aitchison, Joseph Wolff and James Vance, board of directors. Hold-over members were James Bruno, Francis Martin, John Bresnahan and Ray Fancher. Tennant Elwin was elected to the Credit Committee while Eugene Shanley and Ray Ingram were posted to the Supervisory Cabinet Committee.

she is! Her husband is skeered to death."
"To be weighed and found wanting is bad," comments CARL HILL, Mill Sales, looking for the five pounds he lost by

giving up smoking.

Tips on Bingo will be furnished free of charge to all interested by JOHN MATTABONI, Wire Mill. Observers claim he is one of the high ranking leaders in this grueling indoor sport.

Since operating the new electric timer at the Armory basketball games, TOM DILLON, Metal Stores, humming "Time on My Hands" should get acquainted with a real old one on the same subject that "Time is money, don't you be forgetting it. Always get as much as you can, but don't get time for getting it."

All election bets are not settled yet. JOHN GRIFFEN, Salvage, and ED SA-BIS, Casting, are still arguing over one they had three years ago. We do not know only cigars are involved, or if the

loser has to push the winner in a wheel-barrow around Bouley Manor. FELIX GROHOWSKI, Automatic Screw Machine Department, enjoyed seeing the big basketball game when our Scovill team defeated American Brass, in particular the part his son, EDDIE — Milling and Grinding—played in our vic-

The picture of MARY DWYER, Employment Office, shown in the local press was admired by all. We will rest on the contradictions that flew around in the days that followed. But how about next June or the one after, MARY?

JOHN HUBBARD, Employee Informa-

tion, offered a cigar to one of the many

who had made a New Year's resolution about them. "No, thanks," the guy said, "I have sworn off smoking." To which JOHN replied, "Well, put one in your pocket for tomorrow.

HENRY BELLEAU, Tube Mill, old time Hitchcock Lake resident, does not have to take time out these wintry mornings to slap at mosquitoes before dashing for the bus.

#### Girls' Club Valentine Dance Nearly A Sellout

With over 70 reservations already received, Chairlady Susan Guarrera commented that "everything was going along fine" concerning the Girls Club Valentine Dance at the Elton February 15, but that attendance would be limited to 90 couples. The remainder of the tickets, she added, would be sold on a "first come-first served" basis.

A banner affair in the girls' winter season, the ballroom will be the dance scene from 9 P.M. until 1 A.M. with music furnished by Francis Delfino and his orchestra. Tickets may be obtained from Council members in almost any part of the Plant.

#### A Scout's Farewell



Rita Culhane, in the center of the crowd of youngsters above, has been their scout leader for the past few years. Now that Rita is leaving as leader, Ruth Osborne of the Recreation Office will temporarily take over. The meetings, attended by seventeen scouts in all, are held at the SERA Center weekly.

#### Old Scovill Postcards Now Rare Items

Old Postmarks, Cancellation Marks Increase Value



Dated near 1880, thousands of penny postcards like the above were brought to light after years in storage. As the stamps are worth but a few cents philatelically, the odd and varied cancellation marks increase the value to collectors. Many were hand-cut from cork, fashioned by postmasters years ago.

Just over 60 years ago in the 1880's, penny postcards were an accepted medium of correspondence in business. Into Scovill they came by the hundreds from cities, towns and villages throughout the country. Once there were factories in many of these small towns. They used cards to order brass, manufactured goods, confirm shipping dates and so on. They were brief messages, for ordering material was easy in those unspecialized days. Today many of the towns postmarked are in memory only, the postmarks collectors' items.

The cards have a philatelic value to stamp collectors today. Scott (the stamp enthusiasts' Bible) assigns little value to the stamps but rare value to postmarks. Among the rarest are those of an old Waterbury postmaster. Instead of adhering to conventional cancellation marks, he designed his own from cork. Rare and highly prized today are Waterbury postmarks of elephants, roosters, crossroads, stars, flowers and various other unique designs.

Dotting the New England landscape of the 1880's were many small towns, all built around a factory or two. Today only the postmarks show that such

#### "Fix Cause" Prime Task In Safety Investigation

In a message to all Scovill employees regarding accident investigations, Scovill Safety Engineer William Mc-Chesney stated last week "Contrary to a widespread feeling among employees, accident investigations by the members of the Safety Department 'do not place blame for accidents'. Rather, the purpose of an investigation is to determine what actually caused an accident so that preventive measures may be taken to eliminate future accidents under similar circumstances."

In explaining the work of the Department, he added that once an accident has occurred, "nothing can be done about it." Blaming someone for an accident that has occurred, he said, will not prevent the next one. The accepting and discharging of the re-sponsibility for correction of an accident cause will and does, he emphatically stated, prevent accidents.

a place was in being. Whoever heard of a village called Fluteville, located outside of Thomaston, Connecticut? Yet it was there, built around a factory that made flutes. Stamp collecting truly promotes interest in American antiquity.

#### Placing Orders By Postcard

Besides the stamps, cancellation and postmarks, the reverse side of the cards reveal how business was carried on at that time. Who today would order tons of brass in one sentence? What firm would order a carload of manufactured goods on the back of a postcard in scrawls nearly undecipherable? Then there were vastly fewer alloys, little specialization. Products were of a standard type for the countless variations of today were too much to put into production.

The cards which were sent to Scovill at that time were stored in correspondence files, later packaged and tucked in an out-of-the-way place. When they came to light a while ago, time had encrusted them with value. Thousands were then freely distributed to Scovill stamp collectors. As time goes on the postmarks will increase in value — the messages on the back becoming pages in the history book of the brass industry.

## **Rod Mill Topics**

By Alvina K. Greve

Don't think that LENA PAGNONI or MILLIE DEL GOBBO will accept chewing gum from anyone from now on. Can you believe it, they actually thought the gum given to them had hot pepper in it!

When it comes to telling tall tales or old Irish jokes, BERT DILLON is tops. The one about Mrs. Murphy and Alderman Murphy had the boys in stitches the other day - - - - -

ERVING HONYOTSKI (HONEY) was so disappointed that his bowling team lost three games in a row, that he slid down on the bench and fell asleep.

Since the basketball season is in full swing, MAEBELLE ATKINSON has had the sports page open every day. She is keeping up on the doings of her son, BILLIE. He's quite the player, too.

Say, MARION GREENE seems jollier than ever these days. Must be that married life agrees with her.

#### **Veterans' Survivors May Be Missing Benefits**

In a message to Scovillites, the local Social Security pointed out that World War II veterans' survivors who may qualify for benefits on the deceased veteran's record, should apply at once to avoid loss of money. It was explained that eligible survivors of veterans who died after their discharge from service before August 10, 1946, have only until February 10 to file their claims to receive benefits payable back to the time of the veteran's death.

The 1946 veterans' amendment to the Social Security Act provided monthly cash benefits for dependents of ex-servicemen who died or will die within three years after discharge, leaving their survivors without compensation or pensions from the Veterans' Administration.

It was stated that survivors of exservicemen who died before enactment of the amendment on August 10, 1946 were given six months in which to apply for benefits payable back to the date of the veteran's death. That six months period expires February 10. Social Security benefits generally are payable retroactively for a maximum of three months prior to the time the claim is filed.

So far, few applications under the amendment act have been received. It is possible that a number of Scovillites have failed to apply for benefits. They should seek information at once. Benefits may be payable to children under 18 and the widows taking care of them, to widows 65 years or older, or in some cases to dependent parents.

#### Ten-Year Service Pins Awarded To Six

Joseph T. Kerrigan, Casting Shop, as of January 26; Maurice Gagne, Cutting, as of January 28; John R. Riley, North Mill, and Warren Conklin, Automatic Screw Machine Department, as of January 29; Joseph J. Aleksinas, Tube Mill, as of January 30; and Derek C. C. Peters, Waterville, as of February 1.

## Scovill "Sport Shorts"

By Jim Luddy

#### **Badminton**

The mixed doubles combats have been given serious attention lately with the Dillon-Shewbridge combine doing a Dick Merriwell (or was it a Frank Merriwell) finish to end up in a 2-2 draw with the Shaffer-Wilson team in a fast and furious four-game match. good game, too.

The teams show improvement throughout as the second round went into its 5th week. Here's the standing to date: Dillon-McManus, 41-7; Schaffer-Yakulevich, 37-5; Wislocki-Conway, 34-8; Coffey-Pillis, 27-12; Shewbridge-Shewbridge, 22-23; Sebastian-Sebastian, 15-24; Onadrato-Cosgriff, 15-26; Carolan-Carolan, 10-26; Hyland-Hyland, 6-32; and Wolff-Hudner, sans victory.

The Scovill Varsity Rifle team was nosed out last week by the Waterbury Tool Team, 893 to 883. The lowest individual Scovill score was 171, which shows an improvement in the team as a whole. The Scovill shooters, individually, lost to their opponents by 3, 3, 2, 1 and 1 points, a total of 10 points in all.

The scores of the Scovillities are: Reid, 170: Slowers and Pobinson 178: Hen.

179; Slocum and Robinson, 178; Hendricksen, 177; and Rosengrant, 171. This is the first defeat of the second round for the team.

Attention Monday night rifle shooters! Commencing the week of February 15, the Monday night rifle meetings will be discontinued until future notice. are welcome Tuesday evenings.

#### SERA Jr. Basketball League

The Spartans took over undisputed possession of the 1st place in the second round of the SERA Jr. Basketball League by virtue of their victory over the Hawks, by virtue of their victory over the Hawks, as the East End Hearts were defeated by the SERA Jrs. In the 3rd game, the Mohawks defeated the Pied Pipers.

The Spartans had little trouble taking over the Hawks as they won by the score of 41 to 12. Johnson of the Spartans led his team with 13 points, while Onedeate

his team with 13 points, while Onadrato scored 5 for the losing Hawks. The Mohawks took over the Pied Pipers

in another one-sided game, 50 to 18. Sporbert's 12 points were tops for the win-ning Mohawks. Pogodzienski was top scorer for the losing Pied Pipers with

At the half time, the SERA Jrs. led the East End Hearts 9 to 8 and increased their lead to nose out the Hearts 18 to 14. Carmody's 6 points was tops for the young Scovillites. Bartis and Caputo shared high scoring honors for the losers

#### Volleyball

Last week the IRA Volleyball League was dormant. The Scovill Volleyball players are looking for more men to help out. If you care to play, call the Recreation Office and let us know. The games are played at Crosby High School on Friday night.

#### Inter-Department Basketball

The West Machine team downed the Office team in the first of the three Inter-department Basketball clashes last Mon-day evening by the score of 44 to 26. Slason was the big gun for the Machiners, scoring 14 points. Ed Sabis was tops for

scoring 14 points. Ed Sabis was tops for the office team, getting 6 points.

The North Mill defeated the Buff Room by the score of 39 to 19. Al Tousiznant, a newcomer to the Millers' team, tossed in 6 field goals, his 12 points were tops for the team. Hanlon and Adams each got 6 for the losing Buffers.

In the classest contest of the night the

In the closest contest of the night, the Tube Mill took the measure of the Waterville "5", 26 to 20. Joe Griffin and Jack Carrington shared scoring honors of the night for the Tube Mill quintet, each getting 8 points, while Bates, of the Waterville team, got a like number.

The Repair Room strengthened their hold on 1st place by taking 18 out of 27 games from the Tool Room while the second place Lacquer Room only took 15 from the Hot Forge. The Millwrights and the Machine Tool No. 360 each jumped a notch when all the scores of the night were tabulated. The top team of night were tabulated. The top team of the night was Alex Boyarchok and Fred Muccino, latter of the Dip Room. They won 8 out of 9 games which is better than par for the course.

par for the course.

The standing to date: Repair, 125;
Lacquer, 119; Blanking, 110; Tool No. 1,
105; Waterville, 104; Dip, 103; Millwrights, 102; Hot Forge, 101; Machine
Tool No. 360, 81; and Button Tool, 79.
The men play every Friday night at the
SERA Center.

#### Chess

The American Brass chess group were guests of the Scovill chess group last Wednesday night at the Foremen's Club. The ABC Pawn Pushers numbering eight, under the direction of Harry Lucas, played eight players from Scovill. Unfortunately due to an early press time, the results are not known. We'll let you results are not known. know next week, though.

Anyone wishing to play or to learn the game is welcome to come out any Wednesday night to the Foremen's Club

### John Reilly With Scovill 25 Years



John Reilly

Celebrating his twenty-fifth year with Scovill is JOHN REILLY of the Waterville division. Mr. Reilly, who was scheduled to receive his gold pin on Saturday, January 25, officially completed his twenty-five years of continuous service with Scovill at that time.

John was born in Hastings-on-Hudson, New York, on November 7, 1901, and came to live in Connecticut when he was just a boy of three. Living here ever since, formerly in Thomas-ton, he moved to Waterville about eight years ago.

When Mr. Reilly first came to work for Scovill, he was employed in the Shipping Room, in Waterville, and worked there at various jobs, among them the jobs of Packer and Layout man. Working in the Shipping Room until June 12, 1944, he was then made a Purveyor, the position he still holds

Mr. Reilly is a married man and the father of two children—Jackie, who is eight years old and a school boy now, and Eleanor, who is just three years

When asked about his hobbies, John said that his favorite past-time was playing cards—preferably set-back. Aside from that, he likes to spend the rest of his spare time at home with his family.

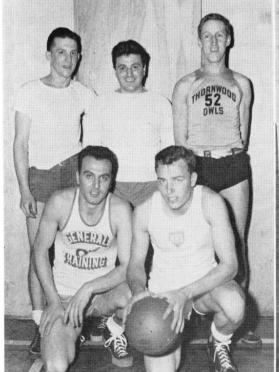
## Wanted-A Woman

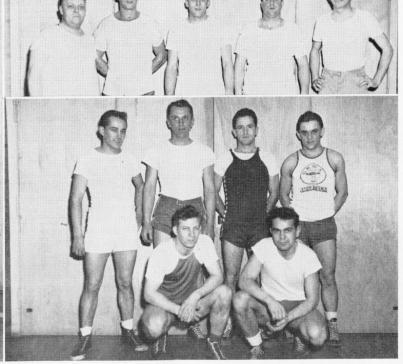
A house is only as sound as its foundation. In the same light, a solid foundation of education and proper environment for children today will mean sound citizens tomorrow. With that preface, Coordinator of Employee Activities Fred Wilson stated that the "one night a week" services of a wo-man are needed to keep the SERA troop of Girls Scouts going. With a temporary scout-mistress in charge, Mr. Wilson explained that "the job is not a hard one as the troop is well organized already."

"Sticking together in their scout activities means a lot to those young girls now." he added. "but they need direction. Almost any woman can handle the job if she likes children and knows a bit about organizing activities. Once you tell them about a game to be played or what they should do in the way or hobbies, the girls follow through easily."

Mr. Wilson believes that scout activities can help Scovillite youngsters a lot, and he asked that any Scovill woman interested in scout work contact him at the Recreation Office.

## With The Inter-Department Basketballers





With honors in the first round of the Inter-Department basketball league going to the Tube Mill and West Machine teams, it's now anybody's race for the second circuit. Above are three of the teams entered in the league

play. Waterville, left, won three and lost two in the first round. The Office team, top right, came out even with two wins and two losses while the West Machine entry won four and lost one to tie the Tube Mill team.



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## Agreeing On One Thing?

As with all questions pertaining to the weather, no two people can seem to agree wholly on what they would like. If the groundhog failed to see his shadow on Candlemas day, perhaps half the people in Scovill would mourn the coming of an early Spring. They would want the New England winter they had always known — a change in yearly life and recreation for themselves and their children or friends.

If our hibernating prognosticator, the groundhog, came out and noticed his shadow, forecasting six weeks more of winter weather, the other half would have countless reasons for not agreeing. Verbal blasts would rent the air over the frozen water vapor that fell and clogged their tires and over the weather that kept them close to the fire.

The moral is: Ask any group of people what each wants in way of weather and the chances are you'll get as many different answers as there were people to ask.

The same is true of most things in life. Ask what each wants from life and the answers will still be varied. However, everybody in this world of ours wants security—the knowledge that he's done all he can to make the future safe for himself and his family. And being proven daily by price of living and other money factors is the fact that there is no easier way to get SECURITY than by buying U. S. Savings Bonds through regular payroll allotments.

In making out the family budget, most people cannot see where they can save a cent. Everybody is inclined to make out the budget just the same as a beginner learns to drive a car. When the streets are wide and plenty of parking space is available, he drives along the path offering the least resistance and parks in a wide open space. It then takes him more time to learn how to drive. If he forced himself to drive through narrow streets and park in small areas, his learning period would be cut to a minimum.

The identical is true of regular savings. By putting a dollar or two in Savings Bonds weekly via payroll deduction, he'd find that he could save a bit each week and still balance the budget. The best part is that it would never be missed, but would all come back in years — the years when security is needed.

The answer? You can disagree with anybody on any question, but you can't disagree on security. Regular weekly deductions are one of the sure roads to security.

# Scovill Takes Over Chase At Pinochle

A pinochle match between the Scovill and Chase foremen was held on Tuesday night, January 28, at the Chase Country Club. The Scovill team came out on top and scored another victory, winning by 935 points. Their total score for the evening was 75,660 points, while the Chase team got 74,725 points in all.

Earl Odell and Harry Weiss, both of Scovill, were the high scorers for the evening. Their score reached a total of 7,465 points,

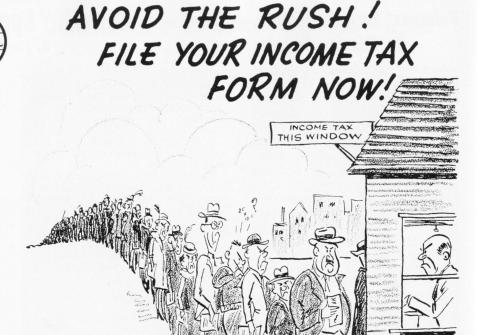
Before the playing started, all the team members were treated to a roast chicken dinner — a half chicken per person, just to start the evening off right.

When Tuesday night, February 4, rolls around, there will be a return match between the two competitors. This time the Scovill players will be the hosts and the match will take place at the Scovill Foremen's Club house

## Scovill Takes Over On "Smoker" Card



Tom Taylor, of the North Mill Rolls, will show in the second bout at the SERA Smoker at the Center, February 11. A capacity crowd is expected for the big program which starts at eight o'clock.



## An Exhilarating Sport — For The Rugged

Picnics to most may be confined to the good old summertime, but it can be just as much fun in the winter, especially after a few days of good ice making weather. Dotting the various ponds around Waterbury over weekends are numerous mothers, fathers, sons and daughters — some fishing, some skating, some roasting hot dogs and marshmallows over a cheering fire. Frigid breezes have little effect on family fun.

One Scovillite father on Bantam Lake remarked that the winter outings were "magic keys" to his family's fun. Equipped with a pair of skates, hours of fun slipped by between playing "shinny" with his two sons and skating around to haul in pickerel and perch which were "popping up his flags." His wife, he added, usually liked a movie on Saturday or Sunday.

## Trim And Knurl

By Jack Driscoll

Our own ROBERT CURRIE has turned lecturer — did a swell job at the Second Congregational church.

The department welcomes the new toolmaker who has become one of the flock. Good luck to you.

BILL JOHNSON knocked at my door the other night. He had a lobster in his hand and said, "Here's a lobster for supper." I told BILL to take it to the movies. He had his supper.

GEORGE SLAVIN has a dog at home, who is seventeen years old. Another year and he'll be drafted.

Met a guy recently who can't live with his mother-in-law and asked my advice. When he gets in a scrap he should go see "Duel In The Sun" or go home and fight in the shade.

Glad to see JAMES RAYBALL and LEW VEILLEUX of our Manufacturing Inspection and Process Engineering Office back from the sick bed. LEW is now in Canada for a rest and JIMMY is back on the job.

HENRY BOUCHER, toolmaker, has left the Scovill Company, and will be missed by the department. They wish him the best wherever he goes.

SAM CARLSON, Tube Mill, showed us

SAM CARLSON, Tube Mill, showed us a picture of his new dog who is as large as a horse and answers to "Midge". He has paws as big as four "smoked shoulders."

However, with a pair of skates, a fire to toast marshmallows and plenty of exercise in skating around to watch the ice boat races, "momma" had fun too.

It's just what the doctor ordered for good health— but be sure and wear enough warm clothes.

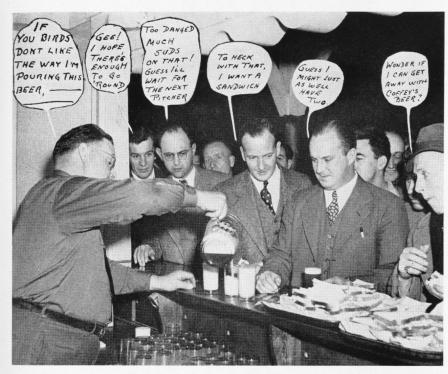


Even after the meager winter sun had slipped behind the hills and sent the mercury down a few more degrees, ice fishing was still fun to this individual. Asked about being "rugged," he only grinned and remarked, "Rugged? Rugged? I'm not rugged. You could stand the cold if you had as many layers of clothing on as I have."

## Training Course

Richard Bergen and Robert Johnson, both returned Scovill veterans, have been assigned to the General Training Room; James Leonetti, Dennis Griffin and Fred Hoethke, all returned veterans, are also working in the General Training Room; Ralph Upton, a returned veteran, has been assigned to General Training Room No. 2; Joseph Olson and Patsy Salinardi, also returned veterans, are now working in the Tin Shop.

#### My, What Unwavering Concentration



Unbeknownst to the dozens crowding the snack bar at the Center after the January 22 Foremen's Forum, Scovill photographer Robert Minor snapped this study in concentration. Only one man (can you see him?) saw him raise the camera. After the negative was developed, the Photo Laboratory turned newspaper and put words into the mouths of these well-known Scovillites.

### Time Payment Return Increases "Rackets"

Now that cars are once again being sold on long-term payments, Scovillites, representing a good proportion of the tremendous market for new and used cars, should learn how to avoid paying excessive financing charges. Between some dealers and financing agencies, reports the National Better Business Bureau, the plans are to make the charges as high as the unsuspecting and uninformed customer will

Usually, they say, a high charge is put on by the dealer. Then the financing agency buys the contract from the dealer, deducting their regular charges or "discount." Balances (or extra profits) are returned to the dealer. Here's how to buy your car on time payments, says the Bureau.

#### Better Watch Out

They can bargain on-1. The automobile. 2. The finance charge. 3. The value of the trade-in. The premium for the insurance is fixed by the insurance company under state regulation, but the purchaser should assure himself he is getting a policy that gives all the coverage he is paying for.
When cars are sold on installment,

the purchaser contracts with the dealer, to pay down in cash or trade or both, a part of the price and to pay the balance in monthly payments. Added to finance cost is insurance, required by all finance companies and banks. The transaction starts with the dealer, so be sure he's reputable.

#### Girls' Club Bowling

Following are the 100 and over powlers in the Girls' Club League for the night of Tuesday, January 28:

Betty Charbonneau, 133; Jean Ostroski, 124-126-102; Martha Ratushny, 117-105; Betty Affe'ldt, 115; Betty Kernan, 115-103; Ellen MacLelland, 115-102; Loretta Donahue, 114; Frances Blake, 112; Ann Drago, 109; Ann Delaney, 107; Agnes O'Lough-lin, 106; Adeline Sciarretta, 105; Shirley Collins, 103; Madelyn Dubauskas, 103; Joan Pranulis, 102; Shirley Ehrhardt, 102; Ruth Osborne, 101; Olive Antunes, 101; Blanche Marino, 100.

#### **Button Tool News**

By Mary and Frances

Best wishes to MARTIN POST who EELEBFATED his birthday on January 27.

Who is the brick layer in the room from Ireland who is building a chimney of Roosevelt dimes?

We were sorry to hear of the loss of NATHAN RUBENSTEIN's pet puppy who was hit by a car. NATHAN wants to sell the little bed he had for the puppy, so if anyone is interested let him know

We wish the best of luck to THOMAS O'CONNER, WILLIAM MULLIGAN and HARRY DUNN, who have been transferred to other rooms.

Welcome to our room , JOSEPH ZAN-AVICH, and we hope you enjoy working

#### Lacquer Room News

By Tem & Lu

February seems to be the important month of the year for three of our most charming young ladies, since they have all chosen this month to march down the aisle to the strains of "Here comes the bride."

AGNES MESKUM, timekeeper of Lacquer Wash, will change her name to MRS. ERNEST TOWNE on February

LILLIAN DeVITO will say "I do" to DOMENIC MASTROFRANCESCO on February 8th.

DOROTHY KENNEDY will become the bride of DONALD O'TOOLE on February 15th

February 15th.

Regrets and sympathy from the boys and girls go to MARGARET O'KEEFE and JO JACKSON on the death of their

## **Press 2 Doings**

By Irene Landry

We want to extend best wishes to FRANKLIN STEWART who went out West to claim a bride.

Welcome back to EDWINA MILLER who was hospitalized with a severe back injury, but who is now feeling much better and able to come to work.

We also welcome back GERTRUDE HANLEY who was ill last week. Our Tool Room wants to extend greet-

ings to EDWARD NEY, a new member. Best wishes for a long and pleasant stay.

ANGIE GRASSO is one of the girls we should look up to. She has been working in Press 2 for ten years and still going strong.

Congratulations to FRANK BUTWILL on his promotion to assistant foreman.

In the distance we can hear wedding bells ringing. Yes, we are losing our MARY DUMONT next month but we wish her and her future hubby the best

## "The Bowling Ball"

By Jim Luddy

#### Girls' IRA Team

Once again the ladies proved the stronger as they took 3 games from the Benrus team last Thursday night. The consistence of the Scovill ladies has kept them well up in the front

Bernice Knickerbocker was in the spotlight for the night. She has high single with 117, and high three with

Every time the second or third place team drops a game, the Scovillites take advantage of it to pick up a game or two. Last week Chase won 2 which jumped our team up one more game. Scovill now leads the league by 11 games. Their record is 52 wins and only 8 losses.

#### Men's IRA Team

The Scovill Men's team took 2 games from the U.S. Time "5" last Thursday night at the Mattatuck alleys. The one game that they lost, the second game, was by 10 pins-

Happy dragon boy for the night was Cameron Klobedanz, having 132 to top his fellow bowlers in that department. He also had 355 to take high three honors.

After last week's bowling, the Scovill men are 7 games out of the top spot. Chase leads the league with 43 victories and 17 losses. Scovill is second with 36 victories and 24 losses. We'll catch 'em!

#### Men's Inter-Department League

The West Machine made a clean sweep of 3 games from the Truckers as the Tube Mill was taking only 2 from the Chucking Room. This puts the Machiners and Tube Mill in a deadlock for first place. And, to top that off, Electrical took 2 from the Plating Room, putting them 1 game out of first place. The North Mill Rolls made a clean sweep from Hot

Forge putting them in the 4th spot. The "win" spot for high single for the night goes to Frank Ehrhardt

of the Cutting Room for his 156. Ben Bannick of the North Mill Rolls went to town to march home with high three honors, his 118-129 and 138, for a total of 385, was tops for the night. (Here's a case of Ben Bannickle, Ben be quick—ouch!)

Frank Ehrhardt got a classy 384 for 3 strings to get paid off at the "place"

#### Girls' Inter-Department League

The Assembly Room ladies strengthened their hold on 1st place by one game. They took 3 points from the Vanities as the second place Button Eyelet split even with Central Time-2 points apiece. The Assembly Room gals now lead the league by 10 points.

Marie Donnelly held the spotlight for both high single and high three; her 115 was tops for the former, and her 325 was tops for the latter.

Here's how the papers read this week: Assembly, 57-11; Button Eyelet, 47-21; Hot Forge, 40-28; Vanities, 39-29; Central Time, 33-35; Lipstick and Packing Inspection, 23-45; and Packing Scale, 11-58.

#### Men's Inter-Department Handicap League

In spite of the fact that the Casting Scrap split even with the Drill and Tap, they still strengthened their hold on 1st place by a 2 game jump, in that the second place Tin Shop dropped 4 points to the West Machine Hot Forge Tool edged nearer the 2nd spot by taking 3 points from the Extruded Rod.

High single honors, last week, went to John Rondinara of the Casting Scrap team for his 143 string. Art Taylor of the Main Tool rolled 116-139 and 117 for a classy 372, high three for the night.

West Machine's clean sweep of 4 from the Tin Shop put them in a tie for 3rd spot.

Here's how the records look to date: Casting Scrap, 39-21; Tin Shop, 34-26; Hot Forge, Tool and West Ma-

## Scovill And Chase At Cribbage





The above pictures were taken Tuesday night, January 21, at the Scovill Foremen's Club house where the Scovill and Chase enthusiasts met for a Cribbage match. Shown in the top picture, from left to right, are Nelson Thomas, Scovill; Tom Bywater, Chase; Charles Pulford, Scovill; and Emil Albecker, Chase. Although Scovill won, a good time was had by all.

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VARIETY OF CRAFTS IN SCOVILL

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ELECTRICIAN ED COSTELLO



TOOLMAKER RICHARD TROGISCH



BLACKSMITH

JAMES FARRELL

HARDENER THOMPSON HAGGERTY

#### Girls' Club News

By Ethel M. Johnson

Of course the news of the week is still 'SUE, please reserve three more tickets," and in a few more minutes another call for more reservations. So heed this warning, girls, and make sure that you have your tickets ordered now for the Valentine Dance on February 15 at The Elton. It's formal, of course, so get your gown all ready. We're hoping for a nice, clear evening so our gowns won't get soiled and for a swell time to be had by all.

#### Knitting Isn't Over Yet

If you think for one moment that just because Christmas is over with that knitting has stopped, you're mistaken. The girls are still going strong with their socks and mittens, especially RITA, JOYCE and ELLEN. They're either anticipating more cold weather or else getting prepared for next Christmas. That isn't such a bad idea if you can find the time now.

#### **Vacations**

Vacations are coming up, believe it or not. Here's one girl who plans to spend hers in the sunny South, and she is leaving on February 22 for Miami. Her name is JEAN GROCHOWSKI, a member of our Entertainment Committee.

#### **Birthdays**

Birthdays were celebrated on the 29th by KATHERINE PHELAN and HELEN O'BRIEN, on the 31st by BETTY PURDY and on February 1st (just look, we have four), by MARIE CELOZZI, ALICE GRAVELINE, MARGUERITE MORIARTY and by our new member MADALYN OSSWALT. Also CATHERINE GORMAN in the Wire Mill on February 2, and ESTHER PETRONIO, Waterville, on February 3.

#### Here And There

We learn that MARGA (DARM) PHELAN, BULLETIN, has left to take up housekeeping. We wish you lots of happiness, MARGA, and many thanks for your assistance with my column. MARGA has in the past rendered solos at the Annual Girls' Club Banquet, so she will surely be missed. JEAN SHOTTON is replacing her in the Bulletin Office, so welcome, JEAN, and good luck in your new job.

in your new job.

We hear that MARY KUNKEL, Employment, left on January 28, for a visit to South Dakota. Hope you have a pleasant trip, MARY.

#### **Everyday Cards**

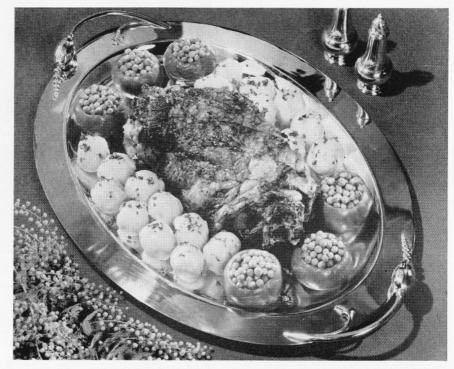
As you know from last week's column, sale of these cards has been resumed and all that you have to do is contact JEAN OSTROSKI. They make nice fill-ins for card party prizes or just for a little something now and then for a sick friend.

We're sorry to hear that WINNIE

We're sorry to hear that WINNIE BECKETT, North Mill, hasn't been feeling up to par lately. Hope that she'll soon be feeling fine again.

# The Woman's Corner

## Take It On The Lamb



Had lamb lately? If not, now's the time to look for a leg. When you get one, be sure to do it justice when you cook it. There is a right and a wrong way to do almost everything, and a lamb roast cooked properly will be appreciated by all members of the family.

#### Lamb Roast

Here is a good formula to follow when preparing a lamb for roasting: Select a firm leg of lamb and do not have the fell (the thin paperly covering) removed, as it helps the roast to keep its shape as it cooks. (A six-pound leg of lamb will make about 10 to 12 servings.) Wipe the meat with a clean cloth, rub it well with salt and pepper, and place on a rack in a shallow baking pan with the fat side up. Insert meat thermometer so it does not touch the bone. Bake lamb uncovered in a slow oven (300°F.) until the thermometer reads 175°F. (for mediumdone) or 180°F. (for well-done). Allow 30 to 35 minutes per pound of meat. Turn roast every 30 minutes to insure even cooking. Roast may be rubbed with a cut clove of garlic before baking if desired. Serve lamb very hot on heated plates, with gravy made from the drippings in the baking

The following menu for a lamb din-

ner is tasty and well-prepared:
Lamb Roast with Currant-Mint Sauce
Parsleyed New Potatoes with Gravy
Baked Tomatoes stuffed with
Spring Peas
Fruit Salad Crisp Rolls
Rhubarb Tarts Coffee

## Rayon Curtains Easy To Care For

Busy housewives fixing up their homes for fall will find their rayon curtains easy to care for say producers of rayon yarn.

Because rayon is naturally white fiber, white rayon curtains won't turn "yellow", and bleaches and blueing are not necessary.

Starching can be eliminated because many rayon curtains are made with crisp finishes. Don't try to starch a soft fabric heavily. When buying rayon curtains or curtain fabrics, look for information concerning finish on the informative label. If a fabric is described as "permanently crisp," the finish should last the life of the product.

#### Washing Tips

Here are some general tips for washing rayon curtains. Look for laundering instructions on the informative label, which will tell you whether the curtains should be washed by hand or machine. When curtains are badly soiled, use several soap washings instead of soaking. Long soaking causes dirt to seep back into the fabric. Always handle curtains carefully when oving them from the water the weight of the curtain while wet may cause delicate fabrics, such as ninon and marquisette, to tear. Rinse thoroughly, until all soap is removed, then squeeze water out, roll in a turkish towel and knead out moisture.

Iron rayon curtains while damp, with a cool iron. Iron lengthwise—never cross the width of the material—keeping all edges straight. If ironed across the width, the material might be stretched unevenly.

# Removing Spots And Stains From Rayons

In removing spots from rayons, remember this important rule. Find out whether the rayon fabric is washable or non-washable, as methods of stain removal differ in each case.

Lipstick Stains: If the stain is thick, use carbon tetrachloride, or any standard cleaning fluid, to remove the grease. When dry, sponge with lukewarm, soapy water. Finally, rinse with clear water. If the fabric is labelled "washable," remove the grease with cleaning fluid, then simply wash the garment in soap and water.

Gravy Stains: Never use hot water. It sets the stain. Launder washable fabric in warm, soapy water to remove the stain. If the fabric isn't washable, dust an absorbent powder over the stain, let stand until it absorbs the grease. Brush off, then sponge with carbon tetrachloride or any standard cleaning fluid.

#### **Button Interest**



Two by two, these small, gold metal button originales march in close formation down the front of this black wool suit which is styled with the new, longer jacket line. A distinctive and flattering dressmaker touch is 'the standing Directoire collar with its winged tabs. For millinery, she chooses a high crowned velvet tam. Buttons are B.G.E. Originales.

## **Icing Hits**

A cake is as good as its icing many people think, and that's why it is so important to have a tasty one on every cake that you bake. The following recipes are all on the accepted list:

Mock Maple Icing—Combine in the top of a double boiler one cup of dark brown sugar, one egg white and three tablespoons of water. Beat over hot water for five minutes.

Raw Apple Icing—Peel and slice one apple and combine with one cup of sugar, one egg white and the juice of one-half lemon. Beat until the icing is thick and smooth and has lost all appearance of graininess.

Bitter Sweet Chocolate Icing—Melt four squares of bitter chocolate and four tablespoons of butter together. Add two thirds cup of light cream or top-milk and one cup of confectioners' sugar. Beat until thick enough to spread.

### Two Scovill Children



A happy boy is Billy Fannon, seven months old son of Helen Fannon, formerly with Scovill. Helen was a drum majorette with the Drum Corps when it was first organized in 1942.



This baby's name is Jackie Zabbarro, granddaughter of Scovill's Emanuel Zabbarro. Jackie is seen celebrating her first birthday with Mother happily holding the cake.

#### **Classified Ads**

For Sale

Ladies' coats, suits and dresses, size 38. Call 3-6344.

1941 Chrysler Windsor, good condition. Call 5-5550.

Royal portable typewriter. Call 4-5452 after 4 P.M.

Electric portable phonograph. Call 5-4875 after 3 P.M.

Girls' coats and dresses, practically new, very good condition. Sizes 13-14. Call 3-5849.

Maytag washing machine, practically new, latest model; ladies' western flyer bicycle, like new, \$32; walnut dining set, table and 4 chairs, \$15; 2-burner parlor heater; electric iron; 2-burner parlor heater; electric iron; tea wagon; marble top dresser; burgundy Chesterfield girl's coat, size 12-14, unusual detail, \$18; bed springs; dishes and miscellaneous items. Call at 364 Main street, rear, Union City.

12 gauge, double barrel, Ithaca shot gun, \$50. Call 5-2602 after 4 P.M.

White enamel kitchen range with hot water coil, hot water boiler and 3 oil drums. Will sell separately or together. Call 4-4404.

Girl's new 2-wheel Dayton deluxe bicycle, \$40. Call 3-5552.

Cabinet radio, very good condition. Call 4-9018.

Lumber, slightly used, 2 x 4-nineteen 9-foot lengths and nine 8-foot lengths. Call 5-6886 after 4 P.M.

Quality 2-burner oil range, excellent condition. Call Watertown 677.

American oriental rug, 9 x 12, rust colored, excellent condition. Call

Electric room heater. Call 3-0660. Raincoat, black rubber, \$10; Chesterfield coat, tan, slightly used, \$5; piano, Martin Brothers, \$140. Call piano, Martin Brothers, \$ 5-1397 between 3:30-8 P.M.

#### **Rent Wanted**

Urgently needed—a rent of 5-6-7 rooms, one-family house if possible, in outskirts. Cheshire preferred. Now commuting 80 miles per day. extension 465.

3 or 4 room rent for young married couple, \$50 reward. Call 4-8538 between 4-10 P.M.

WILL SWAP-Parker double barrel shot gun in A-1 condition. Wou'ld like to swap for late model outboard motor in A-1 condition. Call 4-2802.

## **Briefs From Our Retired Scovillites**

By George Hubbard

Practice makes perfect and the longer you do a thing, the more adept you become. Cyrus Skilton, who just pegged down his 91st birthday January 26, sat down in an eight-handed game of setback—high, low, jack and game to some—bid four twice and made them both. Up at his home on Mt. Tobe, Cyrus related that he may be far from the city, "but I can keep up to the world by radio," he said. Then, too, he commented, he was "physically perfect.

Citing that he was proud of the people actively connected with Scovill, Frank Kerr, Sales Office, let on last week that he was "Florida bound" where he expects the weather to iron out a few of the "bad spots."

Retired in 1919 and now keeping

active as a companion in several homes, Miss Libby Pratt is heading for her 89th birthday in June. Along with other Scovillites, Libby is enjoying her retirement at the Southmayd Home and feels its restful atmosphere "perfect."

## Movie Expert Gives "Inside Story"





RKO-Pathé Movie expert Phillips B. Nichols, speaking at the Foremen's Forum, January 22, held the largest gathering to date spellbound as he exploded many myths with his "inside story" of movies. Shown above with President William Wells, left, and Forum Chairman Ken Howell, right, Mr. Nichols showed nearly two hours of sporting movies which were rated as "tops."

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### As Gun Club Named 1947 Officers



For the fifth consecutive term, Jim Littlejohn was voted in as president of the Scovill Rod and Gun Club at the annual meeting, January 21, in the Employment Office reception room. Edward DeBisschop, Electrical Maintenance, succeeded Lee Reid, Electric Shell, as vice-president, while Joe Balfe, Blanking Tool, and Charles Rietdyke, Lacquer, were reelected treasurer and secretary.

## John Stevens, Daniel Keefe Pass Away

Two former Scovill Employees, John Stevens, a fifty-year man, and Daniel Keefe, an employee of Scovill for 45 years, both passed away recently.

JOHN STEVENS, who was employed as a mechanical draftsman at the Waterville division, passed away at his home on Saturday, January 25. Mr. Stevens has been working for Scovill since February 15, 1894.

Surviving are his wife, his son, Claude, a brother and sister.

The funeral services were held on Monday, January 27, from the Alder-son Funeral home. Burial was in the old Pine Grove cemetery. L. G. Robinson and R. G. Monroe attended from Scovill, and also attended from liam Albon, William Gleason, Corn-elius Granoth, and Ralph Bates, mem-bers of the Scovill Foremen's Club, of which Mr. Stevens was a member.

DANIEL J. KEEFE, who first came to Scovill on July 29, 1897, died Thursday, January 23, in Saint Mary's hospital. While at Scovill, Mr. Keefe worked in the North Mill, and Yard Department, and in Plant Protection, retiring in 1940.

Surviving are his wife, two daughters, a son and two brothers.

The funeral was held on Saturday, January 25, from the Mulville Funeral home. Burial was in Calvary cemetery.

Attending from Scovill were Ed Mc-Avoy, Patrick Cronin, Malcolm Boyd and Frank Carey.

#### **Industries Of Waterbury** Launch Education Effort

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the nation as a whole. Nine one-minute announcements will be given weekly over WBRY starting February 3, and every Thursday evening will feature a dramatized program from 7 to 7:15 P.M.

In trying to reach every Waterburian possible with the educational program, quarter-page advertisements will appear Tuesdays in the Republican and American. Both radio and newspaper programs will complement each other on subject matter weekly.

## **New Appointments**

The following notices of appointment have been received from the Superintendent of the Tool Division and from Mr. P. E. Fenton, Vice-President:

Effective Monday, January 20, Mr. Robert Swanson, is appointed Supervisor of the Gauge Department, and will report to the Superintendent of the Tool Division.

Effective February 1, Mr. L. R. Root will assume the responsibility of Sales Manager of the Drug and Cosmetic Container Division. Mr. Root will be responsible to and report to Mr. P. E.

#### Waterbury-Winsted Bus Schedule Changed

Prompted by insistent demands of Thomaston-Torrington-Winsted villites commuting daily, the New England Transportation Company has acquiesed to a Scovill proposal that the 4 and 5 P.M. northbound trips be changed to 4:15 and 5:15. This change will give Scovillites getting out of work at 4 or 5 P.M., a 15 minute leeway to get down town and aboard the bus.

If the 5 P.M. bus is missed, another does not leave until 7 P.M. To keep faith with the bus company for effecting the change, Mr. Griffin asked those who had requested the change to make good use of the busses as the change was brought about by a Scovill Company proposal. "Tell your neighbor about the change," he added.

## C. P. Cook Retires After 45 Years

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business to replace the manufacture of munitions. Under his leadership, the business has become a vital part of the company's operations. A star in baseball and football at Yale, he declined an offer to join the Connie Mack's "Philadelphia Athletics" in order to take up his hypriness career. order to take up his business career. He later played independent baseball with many outstanding Waterbury

Now in Punta Gorda, Florida, Mr. Cook figures he's just in time for the winter fishing—his sport.

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