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Stockholders, Board Hold Annual Meetings—Three New Officers Selected

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of Scovill Manufacturing Company held April 17, 1950, the following Directors were selected for the ensuing year:—

James H. Brewster, Jr., Bennet Bronson, Chauncey P. Goss, William M. Goss, Arthur P. Hickcox, William T. Hunter, Thomas B. Myers, Francis T. Reeves, Leavenworth P. Sperry, Mark L. Sperry, Mark L. Sperry, 2nd, Francis T. Ward and Henry W. Wild.

At the annual meeting of the Board of Directors, held April 17, 1950, the following additional officers were appointed for the ensuing year:—

Mr. William F. Burke, formerly Assistant Comptroller and an Assistant Secretary, was named Comptroller and Assistant Treasurer. He succeeds Mr. J. V. Montague who retired April 1.

Mr. Ivan L. Coulter, Supervisor of the Cost Department, was named Assistant Comptroller.

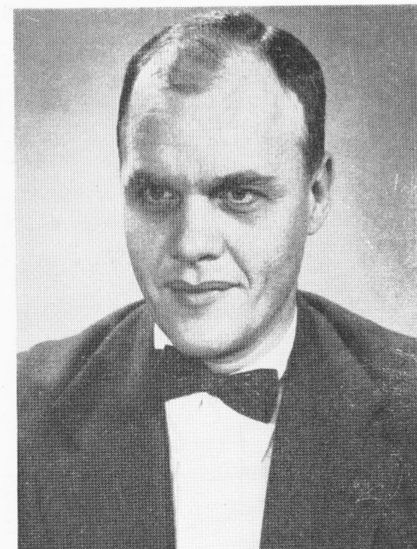
Mr. Heminway Merriman was named an Assistant Secretary.



William F. Burke
Comptroller, Asst. Treasurer



Ivan L. Coulter
Assistant Comptroller



Heminway Merriman
Assistant Secretary

New Branch Office In Rochester, N. Y.

Starting today, May 1, 1950, the Scovill office in Syracuse, New York will cease operations and will be transferred to Rochester, New York.

The new address is: 311 Alexander Street, Hiram Sibley Building, Rooms 201-202, Rochester 4, New York. The telephone number is: Baker 1750.

Four Main Plant Men Retire

Four Main Plant men have been added to the Special Retirement List—Thomas McCarthy, Trim and Knurl, Michael Moore, Mfg. Stores, and Charles Petraitis, Buff No. 2, as of April 17; Elwin Steer, Metals Research, as of May 1, 1950.

THOMAS MCCARTHY has almost 55 years of continuous Company service. Always in Trim & Knurl, he was a toolsetter when he was retired.

MICHAEL MOORE was hired in 1914. Due to several periods away from the plant, his continuous service record began in 1919. Since 1924, he has been a storeman in Mfg. Stores.

CHARLES PETRAITIS first came to Scovill in 1907 working intermittently until 1917 when his continuous service

record started. He has been employed as a buffer in Buff No. 2 throughout his Scovill career.

ELWIN STEER served Scovill continuously for 23 years. He has served in various departments and, at his retirement, was a sample machine operator in Metals Research.

New Assignments

Mr. J. J. Hoben, Works Manager—Mills Division, has issued notice of the following appointment:—

Effective May 1, 1950, John Greaney is appointed General Foreman of the Tube Mill. He will report to Superintendent P. F. Moran.

Woodtick Gardens

At press time, a few plots remained unassigned. If interested, call Ext. 834. Harrowing and plowing will be done as soon as weather permits.

Two Forty-Year Men Receive Awards



President L. P. Sperry presented two 40-year diamond-studded pins recently. Charles Wenzel, Button Model Room, (upper photo) is shown after having received his pin. Superintendent of Tool & Development Willis H. Machin, B&F Sales Manager Edmund D. Janes, and Foreman Michael Carpinella look on. Lower photo:—Mr. Machin and General Foreman Joseph A. Muckle were on hand to congratulate Robert Monnerat, General Mfg. Toolroom, (second from left) on receipt of his 40-year continuous service pin.

A Tough Problem

There are a number of ways that imports into a country can be restricted. Quotas may be used. High tariff is another method. This country has usually had a high tariff against imports. In other words, we have imposed a substantial tax on foreign products brought into this country that have competed with our own production. By imposing high enough tariffs on imports, the output of cheap foreign labor is forced to sell in our markets at a price we can compete with.

In recent years our country has adopted a low tariff policy. When the tariff is low on an item, and if it is produced by cheap labor, it can undersell the production of American labor in our own markets. This is now happening.

The quality of foreign production has improved since the war. The wage of foreign workers is only a fraction of that received by Americans. You can now see many items in our stores identified as "Made in Germany" or "Occupied Japan" or other low-wage countries. And there is now a move on foot, authorized by our laws, to further reduce the tariff on thousands of items.

We must buy from foreign countries if they are to get on their own feet. But, in buying their production we are removing jobs from our own factories. It is a tough problem. But it is open to question that we give our own jobs to foreign workers, and go on relief ourselves.

It would seem reasonable that our tariffs be high enough so that our own production could compete with foreign products in our own market places.

Alan C. Curtis
Vice-President



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It's Your Federal Government

By Robert L. Johnson

President, Temple University and Chairman Citizens Committee
 For The Hoover Report

No. 8—A Costly Rivalry

If you have followed the weird doings of our national government, as disclosed by the bipartisan Citizens Committee for the Hoover Report, you must, by this time, have built up a resistance to shock. You may think that, now nothing can surprise you.

But I venture to say that you will be astonished by the \$52 billion contest that is going on between the Bureau of Reclamation of the Dept. of the Interior and the U. S. Army Air Corps of Engineers in the building of dams and other public works with practically no check or hindrance by an authority and, sometimes, in defiance of the wishes of the President.

Unless Congress, when the Reorganization bills on Natural Resources come before it this session, does something about this situation — the American people will actually pay, in all \$52 billions for water development.

These two agencies, assisted by powerful lobbies, have reached a point where they can by-pass the President and go directly to Congress for appropriations and authority to construct vastly expensive projects, some of which are opposed by the experts and people of the areas concerned.

They are intensely jealous of each other and often compete in their work to the detriment of the project. Such a competition occurred in the Missouri Basin development. Here the Engineers were dredging a channel, of

doubtful value to navigation, in the bed of the river. Meanwhile, upstream, Reclamation was building a dam for irrigation purposes which would hold back needed water for the channel.

Public clamor over this situation forced the two agencies together, for once, they are now cooperating on this project—the "Pick-Sloan Plan".

It may eventually cost the nation \$6 billions and the Hoover Commission says it still will not serve the valley adequately because it is a patchwork, non-integrated program.

There have been many examples of unnecessary projects forced upon communities by the Corps of Engineers. In the task force reports of the Commission it was brought out that neither the Engineer Corps or Reclamation are careful in obtaining sufficient hydrologic data in advance of their operations. Result — their estimates of costs are often 25% inaccurate. There are many other examples of ineffectiveness by both agencies.

The Bureau of Reclamation of the Interior Dept. began an ambitious project to drill 13 miles through the Rocky Mountains and to supply farmers on the eastern slope with water pumped from the Colorado River on the west. It made contracts with the farmers.

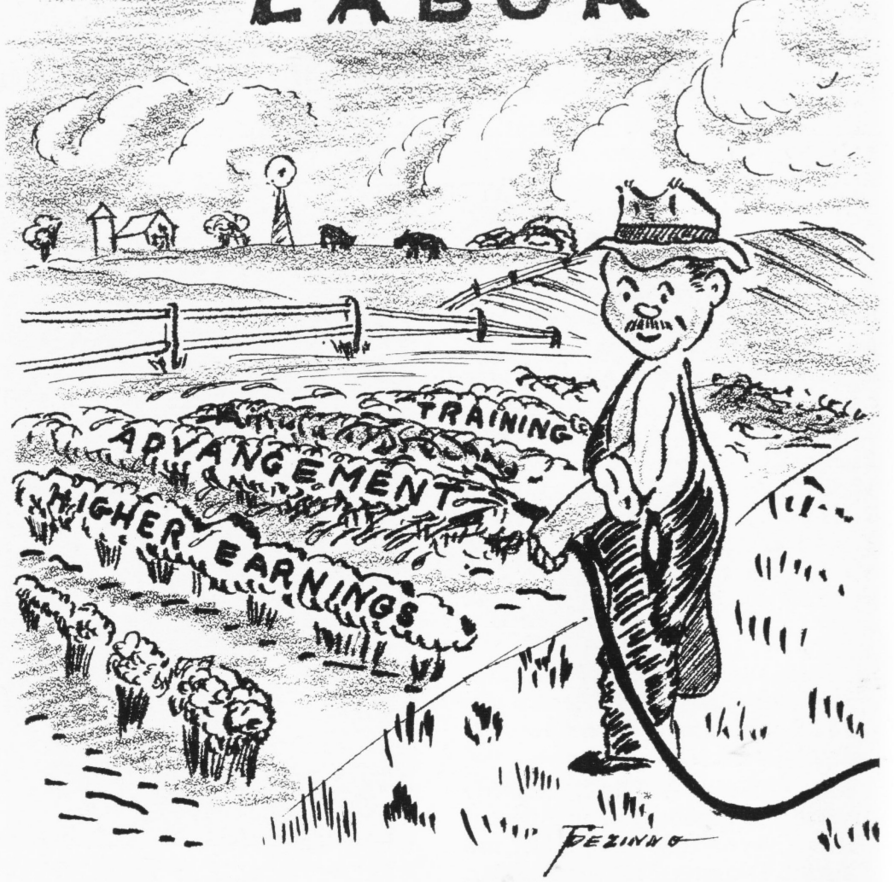
The Bureau estimated the cost at \$44 millions. So far, \$68 millions has been spent and the Bureau has fixed a new probable cost of \$144,581,000.

Now, with the work in progress, the Bureau has discovered that the Colorado will not supply enough water to carry out the contracts with the farmers. It is now hunting for new sources of water and we shall be lucky to get off with a \$200,000,000 expense.

This underestimation of costs is typical. Figures supplied by the Izaak Walton League of America, which has made a study, show that in 16 Reclamation Bureau projects the cost was underestimated by more than \$443 millions.

President Truman, keenly aware of these matters, announced in his budget message in early January, the appointment of a Water Resources Policy Commission to study the whole problem and make recommendations in view of the pending legislation. "On the basis of these recommendations," the President said, "I think it will be possible to propose up-to-date and effective policies".

THE FRUITS OF LABOR



There may be a fight over the Natural Resources bills when they reach Congress. Not only have both agencies powerful lobbies, but because of the great amounts of money which their projects bring into the western states, there is likely to be strong bipartisan opposition from western Senators and Representatives.

The bills, growing out of the Hoover Report, will recommend that the Corps of Engineers be stripped of its civil, river-development functions and that a new consolidated water development service be established to take them over. It would assume, also, the work of the Bureau of Reclamation and all other river-developing and power-marketing agencies except the T.V.A.

They also recommend the abolition of the Dept. of the Interior and the creation of a new Dept. of Natural Resources and of a Board of Coordination and Review, within the President's office, to pass on every major water-development project from the time it is proposed in order to do away with all duplicating activities.

This is a time when tensions in Congress will be severe and Congressmen will want advice and support from their constituents. Why not write your Senators and Congressmen and tell them how you feel about it?

Trim & Knurl

By Betty Young

KITTY STACK is rightly proud as she became a grandaunt twice in a week. It was a girl for her niece and a boy for her nephew's wife. Congratulations!

NICHOLAS MARIANO'S wife has returned from Arizona after spending some time with their daughter who is recuperating from an illness.

Hope that by the time this is in print BARBARA GEDRAITIS and JOSEPHINE MANCINI are back to work after being out ill.

Heard that OZZIE MEYER went fishing on the opening day and all he got was a stiff neck.

VINNIE JACOVINO is very proud of the good report cards his daughter, Mary Ann, brings home. She is a pupil at Woodrow Wilson Grammar School.

Life Out East

By Harry Shewbridge

You know it and I know it, but will somebody please tell Ma Nature that the baseball season has started. Who wants football weather in April? Personally, I'll take the Red Sox.

And while we're griping about the weather, I've always said that the day MARY RENNA left Planning, we would have a snowstorm in the middle of April. Sure enough, she left on a leave of absence on April 14 and on the same day, we had a 6 inch snowfall! There are now, by actual count, only 21 Marys left in the building. She has practically created a shortage and to put it honestly, we miss her.

The best news is of a blessed event. Josephine Paulone became the mother of twins, Billy and Bambi, and all three are doing fine. Josephine is FELICE PAULONE's goat. What does that make him — a grandgoat?

Oh yes, I got the word that OZZIE MARRIN joined the underdogs recently by getting married. Now Slide Fastener has another man with responsibilities.

Martin Bobenski



Martin Bobenski, Jr. is the one-year-old son of Evelyn Bobenski, formerly of Lipstick. Grandad, Otis Van Aken is in Milling & Grinding.

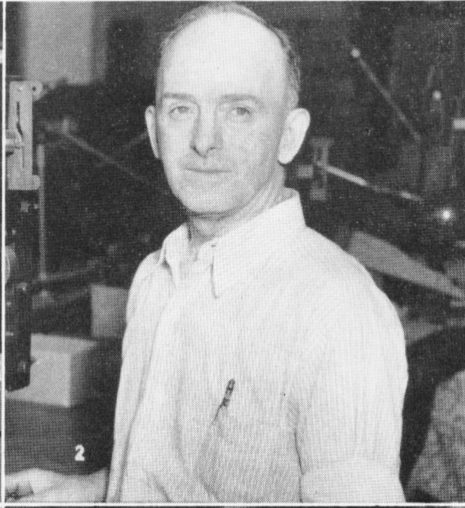
Santa Was Good



Helen Cannata of Chucking is the mother of Iris who is 20 months old. "Gramp" Louis Grasso and Aunt Louise D'Angelo are also Scovillites.

Ideas Pay Off—Eight Receive Awards for Suggestions

Service Awards



1) Carl Wester, Press 2 Tool, receives a \$75. award for his suggestion—his third prize-winning idea. Foreman Martin Lawlor makes the presentation.

2) Ed Vance, Lipstick, submitted a prize-winning suggestion which netted him a cash prize of \$50.

3) Slide Fastener General Superintendent C. A. Burnett presented five cash awards to men of the Slide Fastener

and Slide Fastener Tool divisions.

Pictured, left to right, are: Production General Foreman George H. Ashman; Tool Room Foreman Henry Dodd; John Bartolini, winner of \$25; Edward Hogan, \$25; Frank Yurksaitis, \$25; Carl Hellendrung, \$15; and Peter Tartaglia, \$25.

4) D. L. Wyant, Chucking, netted \$25 for his idea.

Forty Years

Charles Wenzel
Button Model
Apr. 19, 1950



Robert Monnerat
Gen. Mfg. Tool
Apr. 21, 1950

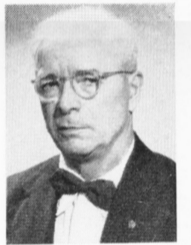


Raffaele Guerrera
Waterville
Apr. 26, 1950



Twenty-Five Years

Peter Modenese
Casting Shop
April 25, 1950



Ten Years

Thomas Murphy, Pipe Shop, and Harold Barnum, Continuous Strip Mill, April 18.

Joseph Catalina, Casting, and Anna Butwill, Press No. 1, April 26; Harry Lessack, Hardening, April 29.

Girls' Club News

By Dora Mori
Council News

Here are the results of our annual meeting held on April 17. The elected officers and council for the coming year are as follows: MURIEL HAM, Central File, President; BETTY AFFELDT, Japan Room, Vice-president; LUCILLE PEPIN, B & F Production, Secretary and RUTH TOURANGEAU, Planning, Treasurer.

Council members are: ALICE BAKER, Tool Machine Office, (Membership Committee); MILDRED BALTRUSH, Bulletin, (Chairman of Entertainment); KAY BANNON, Casting office; KAY FEELEY, Waterville; BARBARA GEDRAITIS, Trim & Knurl, (Reporter); SUSAN GUARRERA, D & C Sales, (Cards); HELEN JACOVICH, Aluminum Finishing; ANN KISONON, Lipstick; MARY LONGO, Packing A; DORA MORI, Waterbury Sales, (Sick Committee); MARY ORLANDO, Receiving Room; and MABEL OTTINGER, Waterville.

Extending best wishes on behalf of all members to our new president, MURIEL HAM, and her staff.

Rod Mill Topics

By Dom Polo

Seems as though golf can be a fairly expensive proposition, eh, CHARLIE VAUGHAN? Because of the time involved in a game recently, CHARLIE was called upon to pay up with a lobster dinner. A tough bargain, CHARLES!

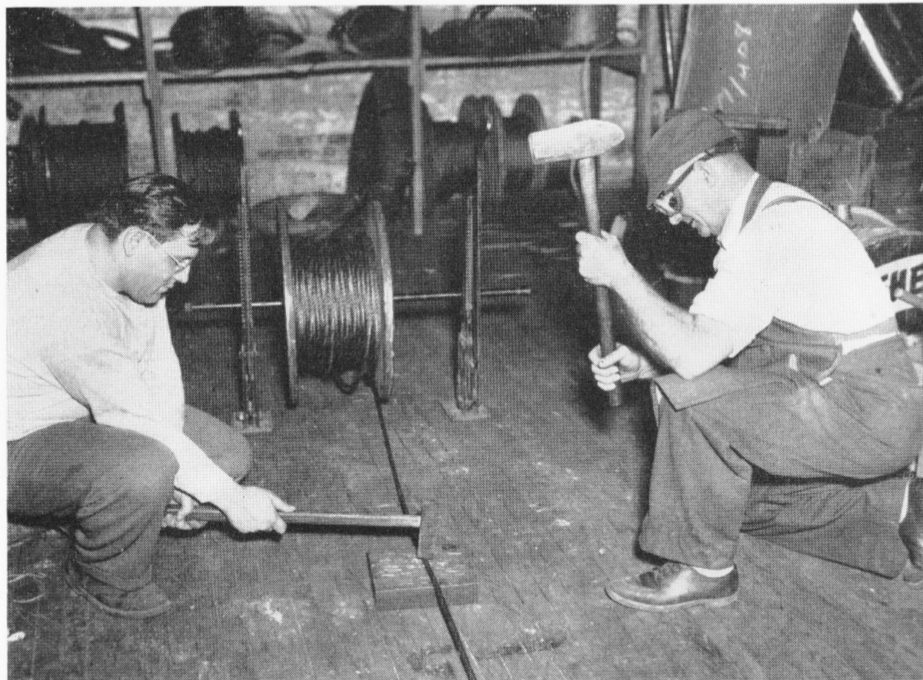
GEORGE HAREL got a 1950 Oldsmobile recently. Nice going, GEORGE!

Camera Club Briefs

Camera Club members enjoyed a lecture on crime photography at the April 13 meeting. The lecture featured evidence which shows up in pictures altho invisible to the naked eye.

John Brady's resignation as club treasurer was accepted with regrets and Lee Reed of Slide Fastener was appointed to take his place.

Cable Cutting—Before and After



Cutting heavy steel cable, such as is used in the plant on cranes and elevators, is quite a job.

Left, above, Vito Pace and Elvin Leonard of Store 3 demonstrate the old method of cutting the cable. Vito holds the chisel which Elvin is prepared to strike with the sledge. This method was risky and slow and did not make

a clean cut. Eye protection had to be worn and there was always some hazard to the man holding the chisel.

At the right, Elvin Leonard demonstrates the new mechanical shear. With this method, the heaviest cable is cut quickly and safely. All equipment must be used and maintained properly to eliminate accidents.

SERA All-Men Golf

The SERA All-Men Golf League is now being organized and will get under way early this month.

The league will be made up of two-man teams and play will be on a handicap basis.

Chairman Tom O'Connell reports that a large group have already entered their names and other Scovillites interested in playing should contact the Employee Activities Office at ext. 834. The men will play on Tuesday evenings at the East Mountain Course.

Girls' Club Holds Annual Meeting



Election of a new Council for the coming year was the high spot of the annual membership meeting of the Scovill Girls' Club which was held Monday, April 17. Retiring President Betty Affeldt presided during the business session; Nominating Committee Chairman Margaret Fenske conducted the election period.

Fishing Notes

Restocking Woodtick

Waiting to test the skill of Scovill anglers—200 Brown Trout (10" to 14") were put into Woodtick Lake recently. They were brought from the Davey Bros. Trout Hatchery in Plainville.

Fishing at Woodtick is part of the SERA program and is open to all employees.

Fishermen are asked to cooperate in the care of the boats—keep them clean and see that they are properly docked at all times.

Please remember to check lengths of fish to be taken—species and lengths are prominently displayed at the Parking Lot and the Boat Dock.

The caretaker or any member of the Fishing Committee has the right to examine all catches at any time; if the fish are not according to SERA rules, your fishing permit may be revoked.

Club Members Only

The Club is again offering a prize of \$3. for the largest fish caught from April 15 to the last date of the annual Reeves Competition, in each of the following species:—Pickerel, Black Bass, Calico Bass, Perch, Trout, and Bullhead.

An additional prize of \$3. will go to the member who catches the 18" Brown Trout put in the lake by the Club.

Fish must be measured by Caretaker Les Hart.

Two Men Succumb

Joseph Savage

JOSEPH SAVAGE, West Machine, died on April 12, 1950.

Mr. Savage had thirty-three years of continuous Company service. He had always been in the Tool & Machine Division. At the time of his death, he was a lathe machinist in the West Machine Room.

John Reardon

JOHN REARDON, Wire Mill, died on April 23, 1950.

With the Company for twenty-two consecutive years, Mr. Reardon had always been with the Wire Mill except for a short period spent in Salvage. At the time of his death, he was an inspector of wire coils.

Training Course Graduates During April

Joseph Ciarlo graduated on April 2, 1950 as a Toolmaker. He has been assigned to Drill & Tap Tool.

Anthony Cugno graduated as a Toolmaker on April 16, 1950. He has been assigned to Manufacturing Tool.

George Dauch graduated on April 23, 1950 as a Toolmaker. He has been assigned to Drawing Tool.

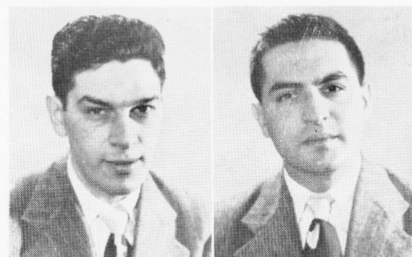
William Gauthier graduated as a Toolmaker on April 16, 1950. He has been assigned to ASM Tool.

Ernest Kozen graduated on April 2, 1950 as a Toolmaker. He has been assigned to Slide Fastener Tool.

Joseph Milutis graduated as a Millwright on April 2, 1950. He has been assigned to the Millwright Dept.

Louis Nordby graduated on April 9, 1950 as a Toolmaker. He has been assigned to Slide Fastener Tool.

Peter Shurko graduated as a Toolmaker on April 16, 1950. He has been assigned to Gen. Training Tool.



Joseph Ciarlo Anthony Cugno



George Dauch William Gauthier



Ernest Kozen Joseph Milutis



Louis Nordby Peter Shurko

Classified Ads

FOR SALE

Maple dinette table, lamps, thermos jugs, glassware, china. Call Cheshire 2109.

3—Fisk tires, 550-17; 3—tubes, all good as new; trunk rack; 1933 Oldsmobile wheel with tire mounting. Call 4-5110 after 4 p.m.

GE refrigerator, 5 cu. ft., reasonable. Call 4-2672.

Model 46 Mossberg .22 cal. long rifle with Lyman front and rear sights and a Mossberg 4-X scope, \$30. Call 4-7201 after 6 p.m.

White, "Quality" gas range, deluxe model, thermostatic controlled oven, used 4 years, excellent condition. Call 3-3488 mornings.

Set of matched golf clubs, 8 irons, 2 woods, bag and a dozen golf balls, \$30. Call Naugatuck 5465 between 11-12 a.m. and 3 - 4 p.m.

White combination sink and tub. Call 4-6403 after 4 p.m.

Porcelain kitchen stove, 2 ABC burners, suitable for cottage or camp for heating and cooking. Contact Cy Luddy, Dale Ave., Wolcott.

Automatic Rolleiflex camera, built-in sync, \$165; Sunray Arnold DII enlarger with 4.5 Anastigmat lens, \$40; German field glasses, 10 x 50 power, \$75; German pistol (P-38) plated, \$35; German pistol (7.65mm) plated, \$35; all in A-1 condition. Call 4-2846.

2—full-size flat springs, good condition, any reasonable offer. Call 3-5584.

Coal burning parlor stove; Coldspot refrigerator, ideal for summer cottage or camp, very reasonable. Call 5-0730.

Combination radio and phonograph. Cookies and cake made for weddings, etc. Call 5-1960.

Crosley floor combination radio, mahogany cabinet, will sell reasonable. Call 5-3421.

White, porcelain table-top gas stove, reasonable. Call 5-8248.

Baby carriage, excellent condition; play pen; aluminum bathinette. Call 3-7607 after 4 p.m.

Boy's 28" bicycle. Call 4-6636 after 4 p.m.

Tricycle; Taylor Tot; 1 small, 1 large bicycle; fernery; power grindstone; canning jars; set tubs; huge pile of mixed fire wood, cheap. Call 5-6416.

Four jet gas range; converted oil stove which can be reconverted to coal or wood—all grates, etc. go with stove. Call at 23 Shelley St. after 3 p.m. or 5-8058.

Woman's yellow wool suit, size 12-14, practically new, original cost, \$60; parlor oil stove, used one season, reasonable. Call 4-2274.

Player piano with 75 rolls, good condition, \$50. Call 3-5951.

Well-built dog house, insulated, reasonable. Call at 329 Edgewood Ave.

OTHER

Typing done at home. Call 4-8978.

WANTED TO BUY

Combination sink. Call 6-1486.

RENT WANTED

Young couple desire 3 - 4 rooms, unfurnished. Occupancy in July or at latest, during the middle of August. Can furnish excellent references. Contact M. Dripchak, Ext. 594.

5 - 6 rooms for family of 5, all adults. Call 4-8136.

FOR RENT

Pleasant room with private family on Young St., gentleman only, outside car space. Call 4-8736 mornings or after 5 p.m.

Electrical Bowlers Complete Season



The Electrical Bowling League will complete its season with a banquet on May 6 at Moynihan's on Lake Hitchcock. The boys on the Volts team are in first place with 44 wins, 31 losses. Amps were second, 42 - 32.

High Average

100 and over—Art Woods—110
90-99—Ed DeBisschop—100
Below 90—Ed Payton—92

High Single

Div. 1—James Veneziano—148
Div. 2—Joe Smith—143
Div. 3—Walter Teller—128

High Three

Div. 1—Carmen DiMaria—373
Div. 2—Larry Theriault—362
Div. 3—Robert Pryor—327

Men who made up the league were: A. Woods, J. Veneziano, M. Kulko, C. DiMaria, L. Kucheravy, J. White, J. Boxer, J. Kerr, J. Ross, E. DeBisschop, L. Theriault, L. Doyle, J. Chipko, R. Argenta, A. Norton, J. Smith, J. Oliver, M. DeCarlo, H. Carisio, E. Taraskevich, A. Aureli, F. Cullen, F. Sherry, E. Payton, W. Teller, J. Sullivan, R. Lodge, R. Pryor, R. Kemp, N. Pierpont, V. Shea and A. Chisholm.

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