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Closures And Other Scovill Products Tell 150-Year History



This exhibit, featuring Scovill's full line of metal closures, was displayed at two national trade shows recently. August 11 thru 13, at the Southern Garment Manufacturers' Association convention at the Hotel Peabody, Memphis, Tennessee; August 18 thru 20, at the Textile Merchants and Associated Industries convention, Hotel Statler in St. Louis, Missouri.

At the Memphis convention, Mr. E. D. Janes, Sales Manager of the Button & Fastener Division, opened the Associate Membership Program on Tuesday, August 12, with an introduction of the subject "Do You Know Your Markets?" Mr. Janes is a member of the Technical Advisory Committee of Southern Garment Manufacturers' Association.

Retired Folks' Club

Picnic on Sept. 9

The Scovill retired folks will resume their monthly meetings with a picnic to be held at the Woodtick Recreation Area on Tuesday, September 9, weather permitting.

Chairman George Hubbard reports the group will meet at the SERA Clubhouse, 378 East Main Street, and proceed to the Area at 1:30 p.m. If the weather is not favorable, the meeting will be held in the Clubhouse.

All members who will be driving, and are willing to take passengers along, are asked to stop at the Clubhouse to take some of the others out.

Group Life Insurance Paid For August

Main Plant And Waterville

Because there was no way for bargaining unit employees, who have not returned to work, to continue their Group Life Insurance coverage, Scovill has paid the entire premium for the month of August.

The employees' share of the monthly premium will be deducted from money or wages which may be, or will be, due them.

All employees who were covered during July have had their insurance continued through August.

Any questions regarding this coverage should be referred to the Group Insurance Office.

Closing Of Woodtick Recreation Area

With the completion of the Kids' Day Camp program and the Labor Day weekend, the Woodtick Recreation Area will be closed officially except for organized picnic groups who have already planned their annual outings.

Arrangements can be made by any department or organized group within

the plant to use the Area for such activities by calling the Employee Activities Office, Ext. 834.

Families who wish to go to the Area for weekend picnics are asked to check with the Employee Activities Office, the Friday before the picnic.

Come In To Work

We are now in the tenth week of this useless strike. About \$2,850,000 of wages will have been lost by Main Plant and Waterville Division employees through this week. This is a terrible price to pay for a western-dictated strike. It cannot be recovered.

More and more bargaining unit employees are returning to their jobs. They are wise. They are working to preserve their jobs.

Perhaps you are not returning to work because you fear retaliation after the strike is over. The strike settlement will include clauses making abuse, intimidation and threats by an employee to others, because they did or did not work during the strike, cause for discharge.

The court-ordered injunction orders pickets not to intimidate or use vile language. If you are molested in any way by pickets, report the incident to your foreman or the police. The pickets may be judged to be in contempt of court. That is a very serious offense.

It has been suggested that an independently supervised vote be taken on continuing the strike. That would be the fair solution. But the Union leaders would not dare to allow it. They know you would be back to work in a moment.

If you cannot vote to return, why not come in anyway?

Adrian C. Curtis
Vice-President

Register Now!

The selection of public officials by the ballot is the mark of our free society. Be sure you are able to take your part in the election on November 4, 1952.

To vote you must, by November 3:

Be over 21 years of age; be a citizen of the United States; have lived in Connecticut one year; have lived in the same town for six months.

Also, if you have been a voter, be sure you have voted once in the past four years or, according to law, you will have lost your vote and must be made a voter again.

If you qualify and are not a voter, be sure you register.

Registration dates in Waterbury are: Sept. 3, Oct. 1, Oct. 7-14 (excluding Sunday). A special session will be held on Nov. 3 for those who complete age and residence requirements between October 14 and Election Day.

R. Ringenberg Retires

RUDOLPH RINGENBERG, Model Room, has been added to the Retirement List as of August 1, 1952.

Mr. Ringenberg, a veteran of 46 years' continuous service, came to Scovill as a toolmaker. His record also includes service as foreman in Trim & Knurl and in Drill & Tap. In 1946 he was transferred to the Model Room where he was a model maker until ill health forced him to leave in January of this year.



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Rainy Days

Are you ready for the rainy days to come? Are you prepared for sudden illness or changes in your economic structure?

There is an old, old saying, "In time of peace, prepare for war". That old saying is as true today as it was years ago. It could be that, if we are prepared when sudden and unforeseen blows strike us, whether physically, financially or otherwise, the hurt is not so great.

In fair weather we prepare for stormy weather with the purchase of rubbers, overshoes, heavy clothing, etc.—in the warm weather many people stock their coal bins and oil tanks for cold weather—but, how many prepare for other reverses such as a long illness, financial losses, and the Evening of Life?

It would seem that many of us let the future take care of itself. All the days seem fair and sunny but, rest assured that rainy days are bound to come. So, why not start preparing right now for that inevitable rainy day and, by your preparedness, cushion the shock of stormy weather.

Drugs, Medicines Need Safe Storage

Every home contains drugs, medicines and a variety of household essentials, some of which if improperly used may cause serious illness or death. Many of these are usually found in and around the medicine cabinet.

Last year, 1500 deaths were reported due to accidental poisoning, according to the National Safety Council. Children have eaten poisonous pills in playful escapades, adults have confused containers in darkness or haste.

Accidents such as these can be eliminated if simple precautions are taken:

First: label containers clearly.

Second: separate poisonous and dangerous substances. Keep the internal medicines on a separate shelf or in a separate box. Keep the harmful sub-

stances out of reach of children.

Third: throw out all the old, unwanted, stale medicines which are of no use and may have become harmful through storage.

(Dispose of poisons down the drain, not in the garbage pail; the practice may cost you the life of a valuable pet.)

Fourth: never take or give any medicine in the dark or before you have read the name and directions on the label.

Check your cabinet and make it safe and easy to use.

If you suspect someone has taken poison, call a doctor immediately and tell him when you call all you know about it.



With fall housecleaning time coming up, why not include checking the medicine cabinet? Of course the safety rules for proper and safe storage of medicines is a year-around job, but now's a good time to check and get rid of the old, unwanted, stale medicines which might still be there.



Polio - Infantile Paralysis

By Dr. Robert W. Butler

We are in the season. We can call it a "season", because ordinarily there are very few cases in Connecticut during the first six months of the year (4% in the first six months, 96% in the last six months). During the last three years the average number of cases of Polio reported in the State of Connecticut was about three times the average number during the previous five years. Since we have no positive means of preventing the occurrence of this disease, we should take all possible precautions.

Things to remember:

1. **Avoid crowds.** During the late summer and fall it is said that about seven out of every hundred people are carrying the virus which produces the disease in their noses and throats and may unknowingly pass it on to others.

2. **Keep clean.** That means hands and faces, as well as foods. Wash all fruit carefully before eating. The virus has also been found on flies—and they get around—so keep food and garbage tightly covered.

3. **Avoid over - fatigue.** Late hours, too much exercise, and irregular living schedules during this period may be dangerous.

4. **Avoid chilling** which may lessen the body's protection against the disease.

5. **Postpone plans for nose and throat operations,** or routine inoculations against whooping cough, diphtheria and tetanus in children over six months of age unless otherwise advised by your doctor.

These things will all help; but you should also watch carefully for any of the early signs of the disease in your children. Headache, nausea, vomiting, fever, soreness or stiffness of muscles are some of these signs. If your child

seems ill at school-time, and you have doubt in your mind, keep him at home, have your doctor examine him.

Early treatment is extremely important as far as the final outcome is concerned, but don't become excited or frightened — that just won't help. The chances are that your child hasn't got it, even if he does seem sick; but we just can't afford to take the slightest chance!

Winner of Snyder Golf Tournament

Madelyn Dubauskas of the Cost Office recently added another prize to her collection of golf trophies. On August 9, she took the first annual Mayor Raymond E. Snyder Trophy Golf Tournament at East Mountain.

Madelyn defeated Helen Cipriano in a playoff match with a low net of 74. Her gross score was 96.

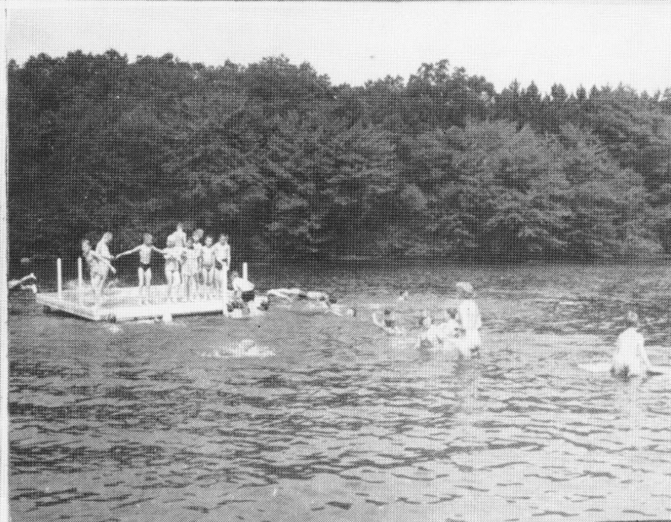
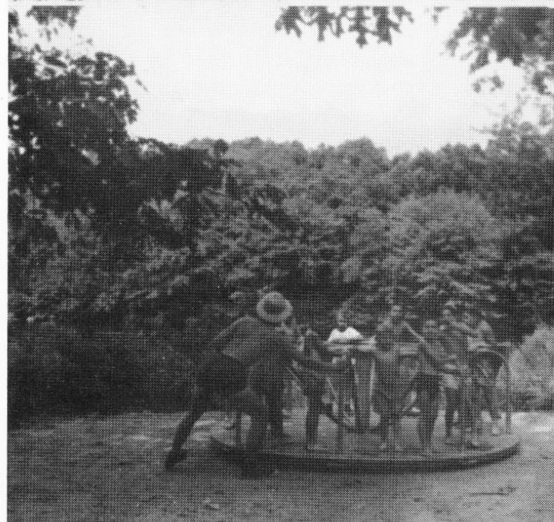
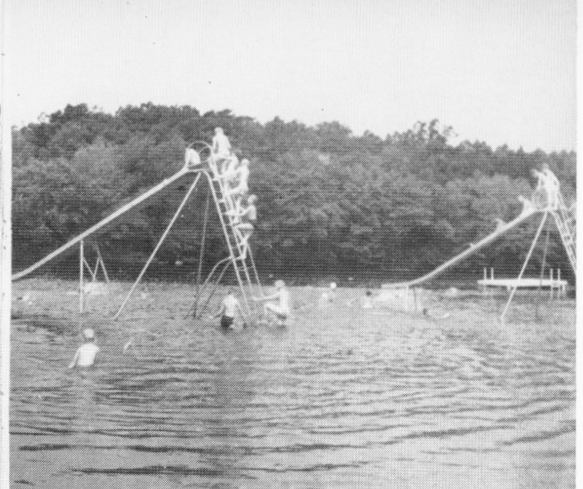
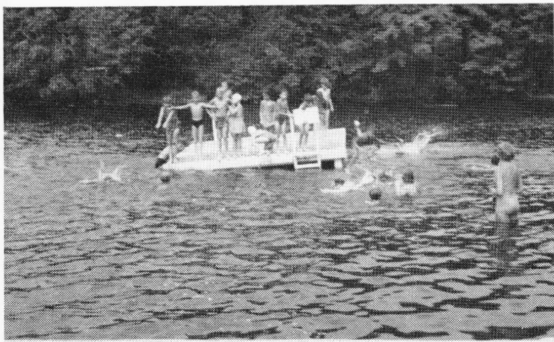


Madelyn Dubauskas

SERA Kids' Day Camp Winds Up Fifth Season At Woodtick

The fifth season of activities at the Kids' Day Camp at Woodtick was set to close officially on Friday, August 22, 1952. However, if sufficient interest warrants, the Camp will operate during the week of August 25.

Pictured below are some of the activities enjoyed during the seven-week period. Attendance averaged 60 youngsters. Counselors were Dave Johnston, Sylvia Mignault (pictured below), Jane Healey, Deborah Henn.





Q:—Will I lose my Blue Cross membership when I reach age 65 or retire?

A:—No. Once a member, you may keep your membership as long as you wish, regardless of other circumstances.

Q:—My wife and I are expecting our first baby in the near future. Will the baby automatically become a Blue Cross member?

A:—No. After the baby is born, Blue Cross will send you an application for the baby. The baby's membership will become effective four to six weeks after you return the application to Blue Cross.

Q:—My husband is entering military service next month. Will I still be eligible for maternity benefits?

A:—Your husband may suspend his membership while he is in military service and, at the same time, arrange for continued benefits for you at the individual rate. You will be eligible for maternity benefits as long as you've had eight months' continuous membership.

Q:—Can I collect CMS benefits if an operation is performed by a doctor in another state?

A:—Like Blue Cross, your CMS membership is good any place in the world. If your operation is performed by a non-participating physician, simply contact Mrs. Helen White, Blue Cross office, after the operation, giving your name, membership number and the doctor's name and address. You will receive benefits from CMS after routine verification.

Inter-Dept. Golf

Standings as of August 18

	Wins	Losses
Vaughn-Sabis	9 1/2	2 1/2
Kraft-O'Connell	11	3
Berube-Sickles	8	3
Fuller-Koslowski	5 1/2	4 1/2
Coffey-Kozen	5 1/2	4 1/2
Yurchyk-Vadnais	5 1/2	5 1/2

Jim Brislin still holds low gross of 34, Len Corrado a close second with 35. John Yurchyk's 26 is low net, Jim Brislin's 27 runnerup.

Fishing Notes

By Ray Ladden

Wonder who hooked the 7 1/2 lb. large-mouth bass a couple of weeks ago and let it break away? Les Hart says it was floating down near the dam. It looked like it must have given someone quite a tussle, broken away and then bled to death. It certainly would have been a prize to catch.

The Perch and Bullheads are being taken out of the pond in great numbers day and night. Ask Neil Granoth, of the Waterville Division, when Bass are slow on plugs. Neil uses shiners and worms for the Bullheads.

A Scovill Ad of the Early 'Eighties



Here's an interesting item for our old-time album. Pictured at the right is a Scovill full-page ad which was published in 1882. It appeared in a copy of "Rand's New York Business Directory" (title page at left).

Wonder if our present Sales Dept. would be a bit non-plused if they received a sudden order for "photographic goods" or, perhaps, "thimbles"?

Classified Ads

FOR SALE

Furnished cottage located on Winne-maug Lake Island. Cottage may be removed to mainland or an island lease may be arranged for responsible party. For particulars, call 4-7452 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

New Sunbeam furnace grates, bicycle, Baby-Tenda, training seat, settubs, tricycle, bassinet, ladder brackets for truck, electric fan, reasonable. Call 5-6416.

5' Frigidaire in good running condition, reasonable. Call Naugatuck 2011.

Glenwood gas stove, cream with green trim. Has top oven and separate broiler. In very good condition. Call 4-3858 after 5:00 p.m.

Automatic gas hot water heater. Call 3-6126 after 5:00 p.m.

Five-room house and two lots; 1935 Chevrolet Sedan, \$50; Dodge Convertible Coupe, \$50. Call at 13 Shelley St.



John Galeika, Gen. Trng. #1

Edward Jordan, Gen. Trng. #1

Alfred Klinzmann, Gen. Trng. #1

Pro-Baseball Tickets

You may get your ticket for a Yankee, Giant, Red Sox or Dodger baseball game by contacting the Employee Activities Office, ext. 834.

However, it is most important that you get your order in as far in advance as possible so that a desirable seat may be had.

Ed Lane Dies

EDWARD J. LANE, Electrical Dept., died on August 16, 1952.

Mr. Lane first came to Scovill in March, 1924, and worked intermittently until August 27, 1950, when his continuous service record started. Always with the Electrical Dept., Mr. Lane was a construction electrician when illness forced him to leave in January of this year.

Auto Insurance Rate Changes

Below is a comparison in automobile insurance rates as they affect Waterbury car owners. In the first column, the first two figures cover liability policies; the third figure (\$5) covers property damage policies.

While comparison is given starting with \$5/10/5 coverage, in accordance with the new financial responsibility law which became effective July 1, 1952, the coverages starting with \$20/40/5 will be the ones of most interest.

The three classes listed cover private passenger cars as follows:

Class 1—car for non-business use and no operator under 25 years old.

Class 2—car for both business and non-business use with an operator under 25 years of age.

SERA Rifle

The Scovill team in the Moon-Lite League temporarily gave up their first-place position to the Winsted team on August 11. Winsted now leads with a score of 7-0; Scovill is second with 6-1. Scovill scores have been:

7/14—Scovill	1997 - 135 x's
Middletown	1191 - 56 x's
7/28—Scovill	1995 - 129 x's
Wethersfield	default
8/11—Winsted	1995 - 122 x's
Scovill	1992 - 122 x's

The scores for their match with Cheshire on Aug. 18 are not available as yet. Their next, and final, match is with Mossberg on Aug. 26.

Fall Housecleaning

The time has come to think of fall housecleaning. Many people think of fall housecleaning only in terms of work. It should, and can be, more than that. For in addition to heavy cleaning, it's the time to redecorate, repair and beautify the home for winter living.

Fall housecleaning needn't be a backbreaking job if the right equipment is used. And sometimes it's the simplest, most familiar tools that do the best job. They can make the job easier, quicker and the results more gratifying.

Ripped or torn articles you might otherwise have discarded to the rag bag can be easily and quickly put back on your "active" list—you can prolong life for your linens, clothing, draperies, slip covers, and rugs.

Although silver never wears out, report the experts at the Gorham Silver Company, its care and polishing can be made easier for you.

An attractive booklet, "Fall Housecleaning Ideas", containing these and other household hints is available to you by calling or writing to the Bulletin Office.

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