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Season's Greetings

It is always a pleasure to have the opportunity to express the good will I have toward the many people in the Scovill organization. A great number of us have been working together for many years and the greater part of our time is spent with our fellow workers. A friendly feeling among us makes life pleasant and this is the season for expressing it.

I hope that you have had as good a year as times permit, and will have a better and happier year in 1955, and that you will all have a very Merry Christmas.

President



GEORGE SLATER

"Scoops" From Zippers

By Louise Foell

Yours truly is back to work after a very exciting vacation. Had a shopping spree in New York, where the stores are decorated in a very pale pink instead of the usual red and green.

On Saturday, Dec. 11, Slide Fastener held their annual Christmas party. All the "Guys and Dolls" turned out in party attire. Joe Hench (retired) was there saying hello to all his friends; and Herb Knutson and his bride were there. In fact it was the social event of the year.

Glad to hear the Huckins are parents of a son, Gary Robert, who was born-November 27. Dad Bob, is in S. F. tool-room and Mom Eunice, is formerly of S. F. Shipping.

Marie (Operation Love) Martineau has collected six tons of clothing, which now is on its way to Korea in time for Christmas distribution.

We extend sympathy to Nancy Ragozino on the loss of her father and to Claire Daly on the loss of her sister.

Rod & Gun Club

By Charlie Rietdyke

The Rod and Gun Club welcomes the new chairman of the SERA Fishing Committee, Ray Ladden of B & F Production.

Ray is a "down to earth" fisherman, who understands the needs and requirements of the Woodtick fishing area. As a club member he has participated in nearly every competition and knows the lake thoroughly. The Club looks with anticipation to Ray's term of office.

Ray replaces the present chairman, Jim Littlejohn, whose well earned retirement will take effect in the near future. Under Jim's administration, great improvements have taken place, such as a better restocking program, more boats, improved docking facilities, etc. The Club owes a great deal to Jim Littlejohn. More about this later! In the meantime, best of luck to Ray Ladden, our new SERA Fishing Committee chairman.

To all fishermen and sportsmen, a very Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

Soul Medicine

By Robert W. Butler, M. D.

"Dear Editor—I am 8 years old. Some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus. Papa says, 'if you see it in The Sun it's so.' Please tell me the truth, is there a Santa Claus?"

Virginia O'Hanlon."

115 West Ninety-Fifth Street.

"Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age. They do not believe except what they see. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they are men's or children's, are little. In this great universe of ours man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole of truth and knowledge.

"Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! how dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus! It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no childlike faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

"Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies! You might get your papa to hire men to watch all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not,

but that's no proof that they are not there. Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are unseen and unseeable in the world.

"You tear apart the baby's rattle to see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man nor even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance can push aside that curtain and view and picture the supernatural beauty and glory beyond. Is it all real? Ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.

"No Santa Claus! Thank God he lives, and he lives forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia, nay, ten times ten thousand years from now, he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood."

The above appeared as an editorial headed "Is There a Santa Claus?" in the New York Sun on September 21, 1897, and was written by Francis P. Church. Since that time it has probably been reprinted more millions of times than any newspaper article ever written in any language.

You've seen it before and you'll see it again; but we think it's worth reading twice every Christmas.

Inter-Dept. Basketball

The inter-department basketball league, which consists of four teams, began its season Monday, December 6 at Doolittle Hall. Games are played at 7:30 and 8:30 p.m.

After two weeks of play, the standings of the teams are as follows:

	Won	Lost
Truckers	2	0
General Training	1	1
Strip Mill	1	1
Mfg. Eyelet	0	2

Safety Tape For Hazard Spots



Bob Dobrick, Safety Dept. applies the latest in safety tapes to a low clearance doorway. Waterproof and acid resistant, this tape comes in various widths and can be easily applied to any clean surface to mark a hazard spot. The tape, when needed, may be obtained through the Safety Dept.

Eight Retirements

ROCCO CALABRESE, Yard Dept., was retired with benefits to start on December 1, 1954.

Mr. Calabrese came to Scovill on September 23, 1914, and has a continuous service record of 25.8 years. Always in the Yard Dept., he was serving as an operator-air drill when he retired.

RALPH F. DELEPPO, Waterville, was retired with benefits to start on November 8, 1954.

Mr. Deleppo came to Scovill on October 13, 1921, and has a continuous service record of over 33 years. Always in the Buff Room, he was serving as a buffer when he retired.

MICHAEL FITZMAURICE, Blacksmith Shop, was retired with benefits to start on December 1, 1954.

Mr. Fitzmaurice came to Scovill on April 16, 1915, and has a continuous service record of over 39 years. He has been a blacksmith from 1919 until his retirement.

FRANK GAGLIARDI, Drawing Room, was retired with benefits to start on November 8, 1954.

Mr. Gagliardi came to Scovill on July 17, 1916, and has a continuous service record of 38 years. He had worked in various departments until 1927 when he was transferred to the Drawing Room where he was serving as a floorman when he retired.

ANGELO GALANTE, Plating Room, was retired with benefits to start on November 8, 1954.

Mr. Galante came to Scovill on May 9, 1907, and has a continuous service record of over 47 years. Except for a short period in the Dip Room, he has always been in the Plating Room. He was serving as a plater when he retired.

FRANK D. MANZELLA, Box Shop, was retired with benefits to start on December 1, 1954.

Mr. Manzella came to Scovill on January 7, 1943, and has a continuous service record of 11.2 years. Always in the Box Shop, he was serving as a hand nailer when he retired.

THOMAS MCGUIRE, Waterville, was retired with benefits to start on December 1, 1954.

Mr. McGuire came to Scovill on September 27, 1924, and has a continuous service record of over 30 years. Always in the Boiler Room, he was serving as an engineer when he retired.

FRANK RACZYNSKI, Casting Shop, was retired with benefits to start on December 13, 1954.

Mr. Raczynski came to Scovill on May 5, 1919, and has a continuous service record of over 35 years. Always in the Casting Shop, he was a mold man when he retired.

Cribbage Doings

As of December 14, the American League is leading the tournament by 30 points. Their total score is 18,527 points, while the Nationals have a total of 18,497 points.

Scores for the evening of the 14th were: American League — 5,420 points; National League — 5,402 points.

Individual high score for that night went to Paul Delage and Sid Spender with 1,467 points.

Holiday Shutdown Main Plant

CHRISTMAS—The Main Plant will close for Christmas at the end of work day on Thursday, December 23, 1954, and will reopen at the start of the first shift on Monday, December 27. Employees will be paid at their work places on Thursday, December 23.

NEW YEAR'S DAY—The Main Plant will close for New Year's Day at the end of the work shift on Thursday, December 30, 1954, and will reopen at the start of the first shift on Monday, January 3, 1955. Employees will be paid at their work places on Thursday, December 30.

INVENTORY—will be taken on Monday, January 3, 1955. In departments other than offices, only those employees told individually or by posted notice, should report for work on this day.

All employees (unless notified to the contrary) should report for work on Tuesday, January 4, 1955.

Friday, December 24, and Friday, December 31, (because Christmas and New Year's Day fall on Saturday) are holidays for which hourly and piecework employees who qualify are paid when they do not work. Payment for December 31 cannot be made until January 14, 1955.

Life Out East

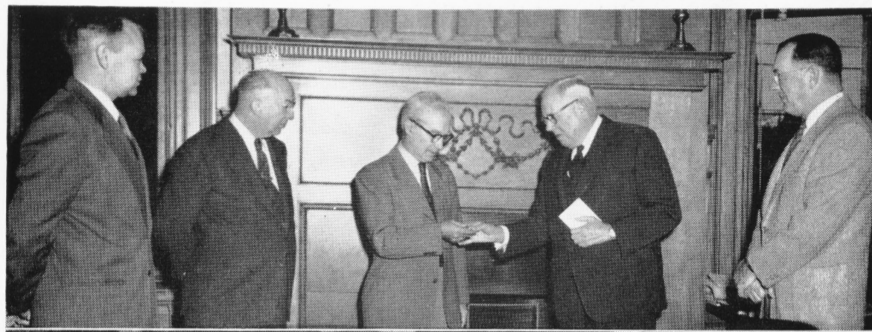
By Harry Sheubridge

It is with a considerable bit of pride that I report that I had the good fortune to spend the weekend of December 10-12 with 80 fellow Scovillites. This was the second group of Scovill men to enjoy a weekend at the Holy Family Retreat House in Farmington. Considering the fact that they were representative of all phases of Scovill life, it seems remarkable that, after getting together for a weekend of prayer and silent reflection with no newspapers, no radio and no television, they came back saying "What a wonderful weekend!"

Incidentally, you can tell who made the Retreat, because, after the meals they served us, we all put on a few extra pounds where it shows the most. As soon as possible we will get the group picture in so you can see what a handsome lot we were.

And there you are. No other news for this time, except to say "Have a nice holiday season."

Two 40-Year Awards Presented Recently



Top: President L. P. Sperry presented the 40-year award to Harry Pulford of Slide Fastener Tool. On hand for the occasion were Acting Supt. George Chase, Foreman Henry Dodd and Operating Supt. William Vining.

Bottom: Waterville Division Plant Manager L. G. Robinson (second, left) presented the 40-year service award to Hermilien Jacobs (center). On hand for the occasion were: Factory Supt. Fred Senior, Asst. Factory Supt. Joseph Muckle and Foreman William Munson.

Girls' Club News

By Juanita Adessio

Just recently someone suggested to me that we dispense with our inter-office Christmas party and follow the pattern of our branch offices — making a donation toward a party for orphans, needy folks, etc.

This led me to wonder just how many people in Scovill, including members, know just exactly what the Club does along this line. I also thought that maybe this lack of knowledge was the reason why it's hard to recruit help when it's needed.

You know the Club sponsors a Kiddies party for over 1000 kids of Scovill employees at Doolittle Hall each year. Besides seeing Santa Claus, singing and eating ice cream, they get stockings filled right to the top. Do you know what the preliminaries are? The chairlady (this year it's Cloe Read) must spend hours getting together a committee, deciding what will go into the stockings, and ordering the candy and toys, etc. The hardest part is getting enough people to fill the stockings. This year we had only 11 volunteers to fill 1200 stockings. They were Cloe Read, Mollie Collins, Ruth Lobley, Irene Carey, JoBombaci, Betty Affeldt, Jo Levenavich, Ruth Tourangeau, Agnes Towne, Margaret Snowden and Evelyn Smoil.

Then we have the Committee in charge of Families of Scovill employees who may need help at Christmas time. Margaret Snowden is chairlady of this activity.

Margaret has spent many, many hours at Doolittle Hall painting and repairing toys that were collected so that they might be distributed among these families. With her were some of the fellows from the Grinding Room: Tommy Ryan, F. DeBlasio, D. Labonty and Ray Curtis; and Anthony Deleppo and William Jaeger from the Carpenter Shop. Cooperation from Fred Wilson and his office was just terrific in moving toys from gates to Doolittle and back to the Girls' Club.

This year we have 50 families who will get baskets of food. There are 156 children who will receive sweaters, mittens or scarves. These kids will also get stockings filled especially by Ruth Tourangeau who took a little extra time to do it. There was also a special magician's game donated by our Mill Production Div.

And to help pay for all these—cards, candy, cookies and novelties are sold. Our hats are off to Mollie Collins, Cloe Read, Betty Affeldt, Jo Levenavich, Irene Carey, and Marie Martineau who gave up many hours of their free time, including their lunch hours, for this work.

Dog Nite At Doolittle Hall

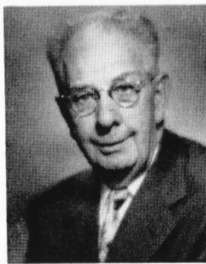
Tuesday nights are "Dog Nites" at Doolittle Hall. From 35 to 55 dogs can be seen going through their paces each week. Scovillites who have en-

tered their dogs in the course make up approximately half of the class. An employee can enroll his dog for \$.50 per week.



(Left to right): Bestowing approval on her collie's efforts is Marta Lawlor, daughter of Martin (Tool Ojc.); lining up their dogs for the instructor are:—Real LaFreniere (husband of Patricia, Spectagraph Room); Charles Mackey of Waterville Div.; Mrs. Harold Hanson, Attaching Machine Dept.; and Mrs. Carl Schwartz (husband Carl is in the Oakville Div.).

Service Awards Fifty Years



Homer C. Senior
Credit Office
December 19, 1954

Twenty-Five Years

Emile St. Pierre
Gripper Eyelet
December 9, 1954

Cora Rietydyke
Mfg. Packing
December 10, 1954

Edward Baribeault
Waterville
December 13, 1954

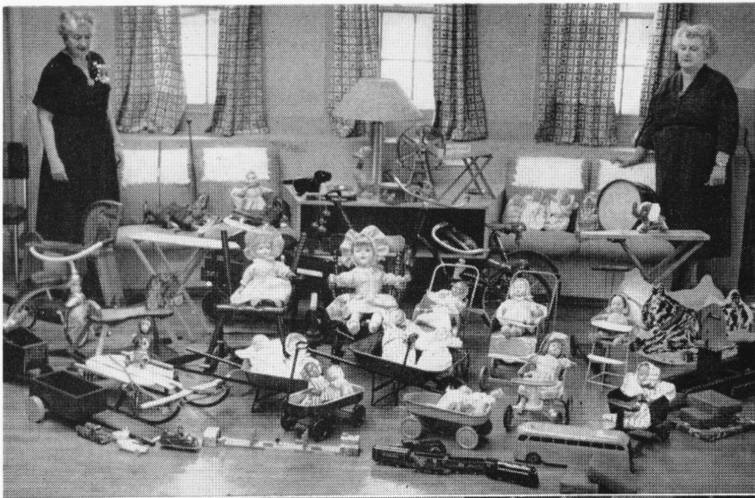
Ten Years

December 12—John Chipko, Electrical;
December 13—Christine Terni, Button Packing;
Donald Vance, Gen. Training #1;
December 16—Lucia Nanni, Drawing;
December 19—John Zwanch, Gen. Mfg. Tool.

Scovillites To Play Santa To 1200 Children

It has become a tradition with Scovillites to help make Christmas happier for fellow workers who need a helping hand at this time and, thru their purchases of cards, candy

and other items sold by the Girls' Club, have made it possible to see that over 50 needy families and some 1200 children will be taken care of.



Left, upper photo:—Club President Mollie Collins and Chairman Margaret Snowden look over some of the 500 toys which had been sent in by Scovillites to be fixed over and given to less fortunate children at Christmas.

Lower left:—Many hours were put in to make these toys like new — one of the groups who helped included: Ruth Tourangeau, Margaret Snowden, Tom Ryan and Dave Labonty.

Above:—Girls' Club members filled about 1200 stockings for the Children's Christmas parties on Dec. 18 and 19. Cloe Read (left) was chairman. Mollie smiles approval.

Five Succumb

WILLIAM J. LIZE, Waterville, died on December 2, 1954.

Mr. Lize came to Scovill on July 16, 1920, which was also his continuous service date. He was serving as a rivet die maker in the Rivet Dept. until April of 1954, when he was forced to leave due to illness.

MICHAEL FEALY, North Mill, died on December 6, 1954.

Mr. Fealy came to Scovill on September 20, 1926, and had a continuous service record since April 2, 1927. Always in the North Mill, he was serving as a metal mover and sorter in October, 1954, when he was forced to leave because of illness.

JAMES PAYTON, retired, died on December 8, 1954.

Mr. Payton came to Scovill on February 15, 1915, and had a continuous service record since November 15, 1927. Always in the Pipe Shop, he was serving as a lead man construction steam fitter and plumber until his retirement in August, 1953.

EMMA CORRELL, retired, died on December 10, 1954.

Mrs. Correll came to Scovill on August 29, 1944, and had a continuous service record since January 28, 1947. She was serving as a globe bodine press and miscellaneous machine operator in the Connector Room until January, 1954 when she was forced to leave because of illness.

RALPH PAGANO, retired, died on December 11, 1954.

Mr. Pagano came to Scovill on February 15, 1915, and had a continuous service record since May of that year. In the Dip Room since 1926, he was serving as a lacquerer at his retirement in June, 1949.

Waterville Foremen

The December 7th meeting of the Waterville Foremen's Association was held at the Main Plant in Waterbury.

The program for the evening was set up by committee members Ralph L. Bates, James A. Hollywood and Thomas J. Kelly.

Guests for the evening included Vice-President and General Manager S. G. Gaillard, Jr., Asst. General Manager Arthur H. Goepel, Plant Manager L. G. Robinson, Factory Supt. Fred J. Senior, Asst. Factory Supt. Joseph Muckle and Foundry Supt. Patrick Malloy.

Mr. Gaillard, guest speaker, gave a review of the plant's 1954 operations and also a general forecast for 1955.

Scovill Displays

Jan. 9-12, 1955—Hotel Commodore, New York. GRIPPER Snap Fasteners and our new GRIPPER Zipper for jackets will be featured in the display being held by the Boy's Apparel Buyers Association.

Jan. 17-19, 1955 — Hotel Statler, New York. GRIPPER Zippers and GRIPPER Snap Fasteners will be on display at the Convention of the International Association of Clothing Designers.

Pinochle Tournament

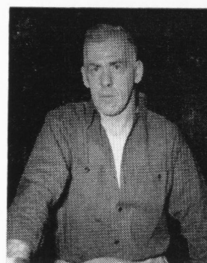
Scores for the evening of December 9 put Erv Honyotski's and John Matulunas' teams at the top with 32,845 points. This is the first time in 40 years that two teams finished an evening's play with the same number of points. Bill Mancini's team had 31,295 points for the evening.

To date, Erv Honyotski's team is leading the tournament with 292,740 points; Bill Mancini's men totalled 288,530; John Matulunas', 285,185.

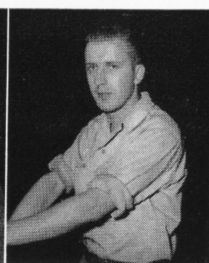
Individual high scores for the evening went to Vic Baker with 4,750 points; William Mahoney with 4,285.

December Suggestion Award Winners

\$25.00 Award



Gerard Beaudry
Strip Mill



Anthony Yurvich
Shell Dept.

\$15.00 Award

Joseph Rossi, Strip Mill
(Two Awards)
George Lubesky, Strip Mill

\$10.00 Award

Robert Currie, Trim & Knurl

Letters Of Appreciation

Letters of Appreciation have been sent to the following employees for suggestions they have submitted:

Thomas Addona, Lawrence Bernier, Mary Biancardi, John Coughlin, Anthony Daddona, John Engratt, Sidney Frank, Joseph Lokis, Edward Lynch.

Also: Frank McGrath, Frank Miklinevich, Rocco Morano, Russell Northrop, Bertha Paoloni, Michael Rahuba, Frederick Reiser, Joseph Rossi (2).

Arnold Scriven, Joseph Sullivan, Fred Teach, William White and Christopher Wilcken.

Classified Ads

FOR SALE

Revere turret head 8mm movie camera, model 99, leather carrying case, original cost, \$110, will sell for \$40, like new. Call 8-2709 Mon., Wed., Thurs., from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Maple crib; 5-element New Haven yagi antenna. Call 6-0685.

Simmons sofa bed, good condition. Call 6-9006.

Florence parlor stove, 7" burner, piping; 2-gal. tank with new oil filter attachment. Call 4-2759 between 5:15-7 p.m.

Carriage; 2 strollers; large amount of lumber, 2 x 6. Call 4-2274.

Thor automatic ironer; electric broiler; 14 qt. pressure cooker, for canning, etc., never used. Call 6-2698.

White Florence deluxe combination stove, 4 & 4, including chrome pipes, 2 oil barrels, excellent condition, 1-year old. Call 5-5615 after 4 p.m.

Lionel train set, remote controlled, accessories, mounted on board. Call 3-7931

Pair boy's Chicago roller skates, size 8, used only once. Call 6-5370 after 6 p.m.

Two hot water boilers with side arm heaters; living room Florence heater with 9" burner; all in fine condition. Reason for selling; installed new furnace. Call 4-7736 after 5:30 p.m.

Controls for Holland furnace, model H-131, including blower and motor, booster fan, limit control, thermostat and transformer. Call 4-0066 after 6 p.m.

Simplex cabinet style ironer, very good condition, \$75. Call 6-2594, 6-8 p.m.

Four 5.50 x 17 tires with wheels, \$3.50 each; used battery, \$3. Call 8-2212.

Red B-G-M child's tractor, good condition, like new, \$8. Call 6-5858.

Boy's 28" bicycle, good condition. Call 5-9337.

Double soapstone wash tubs; white sink. Call 5-4128 or at 18 Bergin St.

Seasoned wood, any lengths. Call 4-6753.

Thayer baby stroller, excellent condition, \$10. Call at 156 Hill Street.

Kitchen sink, complete with Mixina faucets and trap, left hand drain board. Call 5-3772.

Nash 1947 club coupe, excellent condition, inside and out, \$325. Call Bristol, LUdlow 3-7433.

Boy's 26" bike, 30" kitchen sink; tricycle; 54" sled; boy's figure shoe skates, size 7; all like new, cheap. Call 5-6416.

Living room sofa, large size; 2 upholstered chairs; good condition. Call Cheshire 2-214.

Xylophone, small table model for child. Call 5-2470.

Upright piano, good condition, \$30. Call 6-1417 after 5 p.m.

WANTED

Four metal folding chairs. Call 6-0685. 20" bike. Call 8-2212.

Garage doors, 7 x 8, second hand, but in good condition. Call 5-7944.

YOUNG LADY, working 8 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., to share a 4-room heated apartment with two girls. Room available January 15. Contact Mrs. Lane, Transcribing Dept., Ext. 2421.

Three-fourths size metal bed frame. Call 5-7220 before 10:30 a.m. or after 6 p.m.

FOUND

In Cutting Room, Bldg. 71 2nd floor, an identification bracelet with 3 initials. Owner may claim it by identifying same. Call ext. 728 or 729 during working hours.

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