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New Scovill **PANELOC** Rotary Latch Makes Debut



An exhibit of our **PANELOC** Fasteners was shown at the Radio Engineering Show, March 21 through 24, at Kingsbridge Armory and Palace, Bronx, New York. An

annual event supervised by the Institute of Radio Engineers, this show is the largest of its kind in the country. Over 700 firms displayed various types of products.

Our new **PANELOC** Rotary Latch, as the center theme of the Scovill exhibit, was introduced to the public at the Radio Engineering Show.

Scovill's development of this new fastening device satisfies a long-standing need of a simple and economical

yet strong and durable fastener for use on hinged or removable parts, such as inspection doors, access panels, etc.

Made of steel and cadmium plated, the entire latch is assembled on the access panel only, eliminating several of the operations required to install other types of fasteners. The new **PANELOC** Rotary Latch saves space, weight, time and cost but still does an unsurpassed fastening job. Although only three standard sizes are available now, more are to be added.

The left panel of the exhibit displayed the **PANELOC** Aircraft Panel Fastener which is noted for its strength weight ratio, reliability, durability and serviceability. The right panel featured the **PANELOC** High Performance Aircraft Fastener which is noted for carrying primary structural loads in shear and tension with minimum deflection.

Blood Donor Day Wednesday, April 27th

The Mobile Unit will be set up at Doolittle Hall from 1:00 to 6:00 p.m. to receive donations of blood from employees in the area surrounded by Bldg. 112, Wire Mill, Hot Forge, Shell Dept. and Metals Research; plus several offices.

Others interested in donating at this time are invited to contact the Employee Activities Office.

Surplus Equipment Auction

Machinery, which is no longer required in the plant, will be auctioned off by the Company on Thursday, April 28. Still suitable for use under certain conditions, this equipment has become obsolete with the installation of newer, more modern equipment throughout the plant.

Employees will have first opportunity to inspect and place bids on this equipment on Saturday, April 23, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon at the auction area—at the Waterville Division — Bldg. 13, on Thomaston Avenue.

For employees unable to attend the auction, bids placed on April 23rd will be given to the auctioneer. The article will be awarded to that employee if not topped by a higher bid during the auction. In the case of tie bids of two or more for the same item, the earliest filed bid will apply.

"Do-It-Yourself" fans — here's a wonderful opportunity to get some applicable equipment for your workshop.

Scovill Products In Capitol Exhibit

For approximately two months, the Capitol building in Hartford will give all visitors a view of the varied products turned out by Connecticut industries.

Scovill has accepted Governor Ribicoff's invitation to be part of this exhibit and our display is in an attention-commanding space on the first floor of the Capitol.

Our contribution will include the famous "live" display which traces the history of brass casting in the United States — Scovill was the first company to develop this process.

The display features a replica of the company's old casting shop. Also, the exhibit displaying Main Plant, Oakville and Waterville division products will compare items manufactured in the early 1800's to present-day items.

W. L. Bolan Retires

Walter L. Bolan, Waterville Press Room, was retired from active service as of February 1, 1955.

Mr. Bolan first came to Scovill in 1915 and has a continuous service record of over 39 years. Except for a short period in the Drill & Tap Dept. (1944 to 1946) as assistant foreman, Mr. Bolan has always been in the Press Room where he was foreman at the time of his retirement.

New Assignments

Announced by Mr. W. H. Machin, Superintendent — Tool and Product Development Depts.:

Effective April 4, 1955, Charles O. Lewis has been appointed Foreman of Dept. No. 359, Hardening Room. He will report to Supt. W. H. Machin.

Two Receive 40-Year Awards



Top photo:—Edwin Watson, Sales Assistant of Contract Mfg. Div., accepts the 40-year award and pin from President L. P. Sperry. Also on hand for the occasion were: Vice President and General Manager of Main Plant A. P. Hickcox (extreme left), Executive Vice President W. M. Goss and Vice President in charge of Manufactured Sales P. E. Fenton.

Lower photo:—Edward F. Behan (Third from left), Waterville Rivet and Die Dept., was presented the 40-year continuous service award by Plant Manager L. G. Robinson. Looking on are: General Foreman J. A. Muckle, Foreman W. J. Foley and Factory Superintendent F. J. Senior.



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Call Of The Open Road

With the beautiful sunny, warmer spring days, Spring Fever has definitely reached the epidemic stage. Thoughts of the "open road", fun outdoors, or any pleasure, are plaguing most every mind. Everybody wants to cut loose from dreary trappings, be born again in the warm sunshine of spring. "Green-up" time has that effect.

The pent-up urge at present is to travel, to go places and do things. Most of that travel is going to be done in automobiles—some new, well-conditioned cars—some which are pretty well worn out—all of which can be instruments of death if not properly handled.

There's the rub—the man behind the wheel. It's hard to caution people about this thing, it's usually "the other fellow" who seems to need the warning. Let's review the report of an accident which took place not too long ago.

A state trooper stopped a big red car for speeding. Papa was obviously a responsible person, just taking the family out for the weekend vacation, so the trooper cut into papa's well-bred answers, "I'll let you off this time, but you won't last long if you keep up that pace. Get going but take it easy."

Later, a passing driver hailed the trooper, "Did you give the driver in that big red car a ticket?" "No," remarked the trooper, "I didn't want to spoil their fun." "Too bad you didn't," said the driver, "I saw you stop them — and then I passed them 50 miles up the road. It still makes me feel sick. The car was all folded up like an accordion. The red color was all that was left. They were all dead but one kid and he wasn't going to live to get to the hospital."

That's just one report. The traffic authorities expect to write upward to 40,000 this year on deaths—just deaths—the part about the million or two non-fatally injured will get small notice.

Whether you live to enjoy the future blessings of the automobile is in a large measure up to you. You must remember that there is a red light burning at every crossing and intersection, on every curve and along every stretch of open highway.

The driver and the pedestrian have a job to learn. Take a few minutes to learn how to be a safe driver and how to keep alive as a pedestrian. Those few minutes spent now may save you or your family hours of agony—shedding tears over death—for death on the highway is jet-propelled today.

Wire Mill Crew Controls A Fire

Most accidents can be prevented by taking the proper safety precautions, but there is no guarantee against "freak accidents". In such an event, quick, sure and sane action is necessary to lessen damage and danger to persons.

Just such an accident occurred in the Wire Mill recently, but, because of quick thinking and fast action on the part of the Mill's Emergency Crew, serious damage was prevented.

A gas pipe was accidentally broken, releasing a burning gas. Being prepared and trained for such emergencies Thomas McCormick attempted to do the most logical thing which in this case was to shut off the gas near the broken pipe, but without success. John Burkley and John Owca, seeing the danger and necessity for quick action, immediately shut off the main gas valve preventing further escape of the burning gas. As a result, the fire was out in approximately one minute and damage was slight.



John Owca, Thomas McCormick and John Burkley.



People Wise - Immunize!

By Robert W. Butler, M. D.

If germs of any kind can play leap-frog in your nose, throat, liver or lungs without your knowing anything about it or without your finding out about it after their game is over, you're immune to those particular germs and the diseases they cause.

Immunity to disease is an interesting thing. You may be born immune to some diseases (which is the reason your childhood vaccination didn't "take") and you may become immune to some other disease as a result of vaccinations or "shots" given by your family doctor. The third kind of immunity is that which some diseases produce in your system for several years or more after you've recovered from them. That's getting it the hard and hazardous way, of course.

The development of immunity is a protective action on the part of the body which it must have in order to survive. Without it most of us would long since have given up the ghost. Some diseases—not all, by any means—produce poisons called toxins in the body as they grow and these toxins produce the symptoms of the disease. The body protects itself against these toxins by producing a substance which destroys them: *antitoxins*. Other disease germs produce poisons which have not been identified as toxins, but the body fights them just the same; and produces for its protection substances known as antibodies. Antitoxins, antibodies—who cares as long as they protect?

Past experience in forming antitoxin or antibodies to combat disease germs enables the body to form these substances very quickly so as to overcome disease germs (or the toxins they produce) which reach the body before they produce symptoms. The body's ability to do this is called immunity.

There are two kinds of immunity: passive and active. In the former, a horse or other animal makes the antitoxin or antibodies which combat the disease, and the serum containing

these substances is injected into the body of the person who is to be immunized. The effect of this lasts but a short time and meets only the present emergency.

Active immunity lasts longer—from a year or two to a lifetime—and is acquired only by having the body make its own antitoxins or antibodies to protect itself from the disease. There are two ways of acquiring this: by having the disease—not recommended! — or by having modern immunizing treatments. These treatments consist of injections of materials (in very carefully regulated doses) which are toxins previously treated to reduce their disease-producing effects. Actually what you get is a very mild form of the disease, and this stimulates your body to make its own anti-toxins or antibodies. Those of us who have been a bit indisposed after one of those "shots" may object to the word "mild", but it is very mild compared to having the disease and it is entirely safe.

Immunity to many diseases has a tendency to disappear gradually over a period of a few years, so that repeated treatments at intervals are necessary to maintain it.

Many diseases which were prevalent many years ago—*killers* they were then—have almost disappeared from the scene because of these various immunization procedures. They're entirely safe, there should be more of 'em and more people should take 'em — and we'd all be rid of a lot more danger.

Be wise — Immunize.

Daylight Saving Time

Daylight Saving Time will be resumed in the state of Connecticut at 2:01 a.m. on Sunday, April 24.

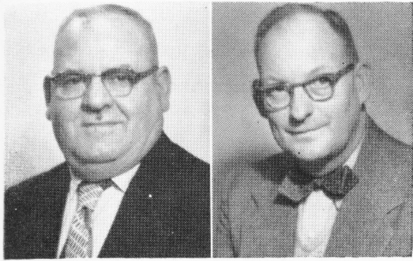
At about that time, all clocks in the Main Plant will be advanced one hour. Outside clocks will be marked "D.S.T."

Service Awards

Forty Years

Edward F. Behan
Waterville
April 6, 1955

Twenty-Five Years



Osman Halim
Casting
April 12, 1955

Gustave C. Schoeck, Jr.
Engineering
April 16, 1955



Ovide A. Dorais
Tube Mill
April 17, 1955

George H. King
Closing
April 18, 1955

Mary V. Makarewicz
Lipstick
April 14, 1955

Ten Years

April 5—Madeline G. Fitzpatrick, Mdse. Div. Prod.; April 16—John J. McGuire, Slide Fast. Tool.

Rod & Gun Club

Scovill sportsmen pay tribute this week to that grand old fishing champion, Jimmy Littlejohn, the "Patron Saint of Woodtick Lake".

It took many years to make Woodtick Lake a good fishing lake — and Jimmy steered that course.

It took many years to accumulate a fleet of sound fishing boats — and Jimmy skippered that program.

It took many years to obtain the excellent facilities at Woodtick — and Jimmy worked, planned and schemed that project into reality.

It took many years to build up a worthwhile Rod and Gun Club — and Jimmy had time for that, too.

No matter when, where or what, if it pertained to fishing Jimmy was there sparkplugging, guiding, leading; giving freely of himself, his time and his money. Scovill sportsmen do well to honor him for his unselfish service and wish for him in his retirement pleasant days and tight lines.

Good luck, Jimmy. Keep your eye on your bobber!

Scovill fishermen who fish Lake Winchester will be saddened to learn of the death of old Bill Mundry, the caretaker. Bill was a swell guy, and because of his isolated situation, was extremely talkative. Meaning no disrespect, but if things run true to form, we can easily visualize Bill passing the time of day with St. Peter at the Gate before going to Headquarters.

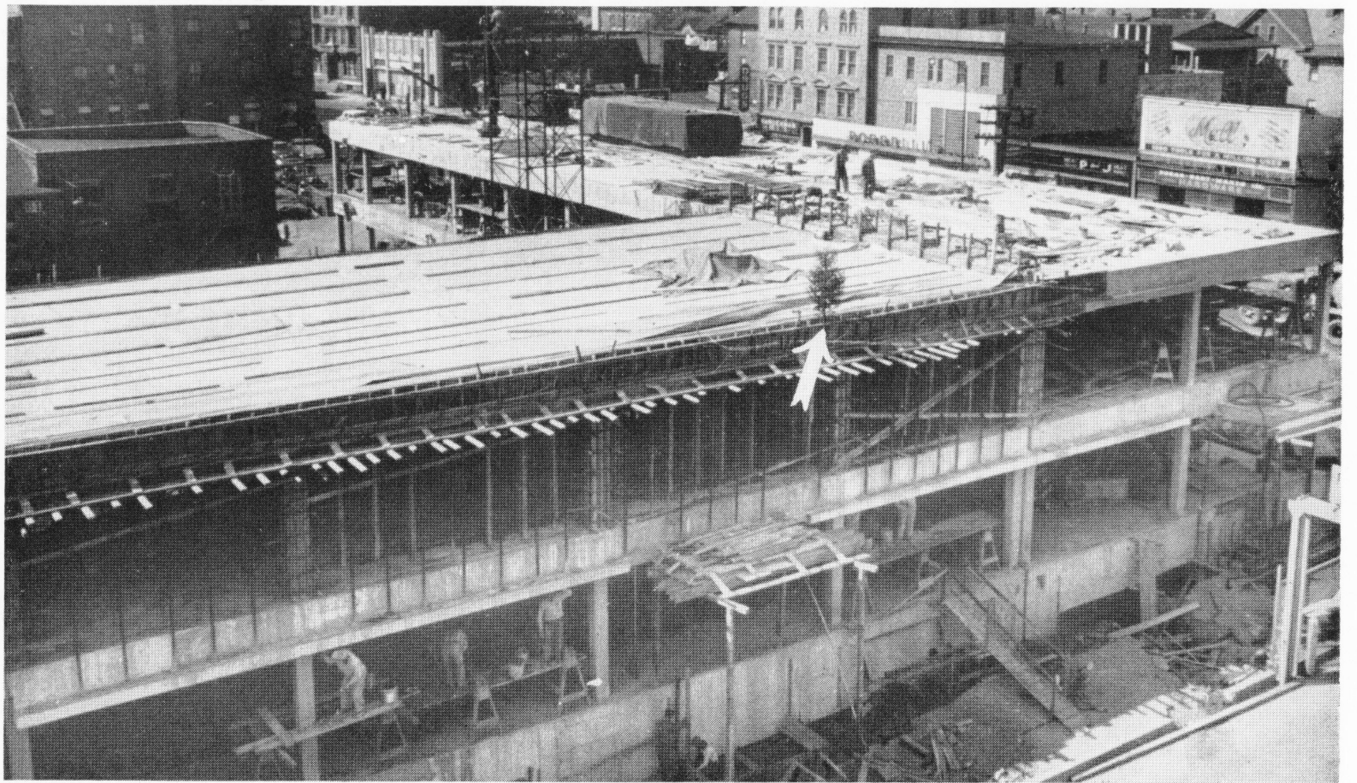
Bill was a kindly man, well-read and well-informed. We'll miss him at Winchester this year.

Now that the fishing season is here, just a word, please. The boats at Woodtick belong to you! So treat them that way! Keep the boats clean! Water the oars and anchors! They all cost dough—your dough!

If you see someone misbehave tell him, and if he is bigger than you, tell Les Hart. He'll cut him down to size!

Wet your hands before handling under-sized fish and treat them gently. In other words — Be a good sport!

Employee Relations Building To Be Ready For Occupancy In June



Work on the new Employee Relations building on East Main Street is progressing according to schedule. The building should be completely enclosed within six weeks and is expected to be ready for occupancy sometime in the latter part of June.

Scovill is one of the few industries to build a completely new modernized building for the specific purpose of housing its hospital and all other Employee Relations departments.

The structure is "L" shaped, follow-

ing modified colonial design, with a red face brick exterior with cast stone window trim and entrance, continuous glass windows in rear; Window construction in front, consisting of steel mullions, sash and aluminum spandrel which will be painted to match the stone trim. The interior arrangement will be flexible through the use of movable partitions and there will be a new electrical substation installed for the building.

Following an old European tradition, workers set up a fir tree (at arrow, in photo) when the building was roofed over, signifying that it was time for the owner to prepare a festival. It is a custom very much like the christening of a ship, noting a job well done.

The building will be connected at the second floor level to the present 54 building by a covered bridge.

The two-story structure was designed by Scovill engineers and is being erected by W. J. Megin, Inc. of Naugatuck. The rate of progress established in this great project is due to well developed plans which have kept the changes to a minimum, all-around cooperation and fine workmanship.

Waterville Foremen

The monthly meeting of the Waterville Div. Foremen's Association was held on April 5, at Doolittle Hall.

After the business meeting, program chairman T. Merriman introduced the guest speaker, D. Russell Gochnour, Employee Relations Director of Waterbury Farrel Foundry Co. Mr. Gochnour gave an interesting talk entitled "Foreman as an in-between man". A discussion period followed and Mr. Gochnour answered questions asked by the large group of foremen present.

The next meeting will be held Tuesday, May 3. Ray Kozen will be program chairman for the evening.

"Scoops" From Zippers

By Louise Foell

Welcome back to Jeannette Abrams, Chain Room, and Danny Nardoizzi, Elevator No. 18.

Sympathy card to Bea Weidinger on the death of her father, Patrick Crowley of New Haven, on April 5.

George Myers, formerly of Slide Fastener, has been elected president of his class and treasurer of his fraternity Kappa Sigma Kappa at Indiana Tech. Popular boy, George, especially with Florence Rein our timekeeper. Wedding bells for Florence and George in June.

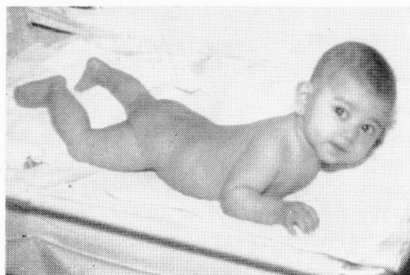
Mary Mack never thought that it could happen to her, but it did when her son and daughter-in-law presented her with a grandson, Stephen Mack, on March 31. Mary just can't believe that she is a grandmother.

Have you heard how Jean Fredin gets her housecleaning done? Nothing to it, just break the glasses and then you don't have to wash them.

Marion Purvis has returned from a trip to Virginia where she was godmother to a grandniece, Beth Miriam Tyler. Beth's mother is the former Meta Holiban of the Scovill Holibans.

Wow! Put on your blinkers when Iva Corcoran drives by in her new fire engine red Oldsmobile. She'll have no trouble finding her car in the parking lot.

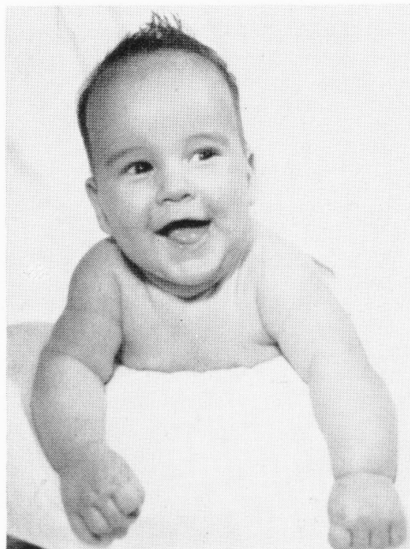
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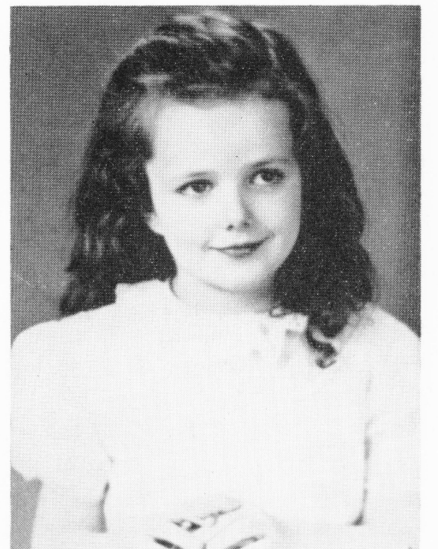
This beautiful baby is Virginia Mary, now seven months old, the daughter of Helen Bochicchio of Slide Fastener Assembling.



Anna Lucy Marie Clement whose father, George, works in the X-Rod Mill, and whose Grandfather Theophile Clement is a retired Scovillite.



This bundle of joy is Wayne Allen Albrecht, now nine months old, son of Isabelle, Lipstick, and Donald, X-Rod Mill. Also in the X-Rod Mill is Godfather Benjamin Rykowski.



Dorothy is the beautiful daughter of William Birmingham, Slide Fastener Tool, and the niece of Russell Spencer, Slide Fastener, and Ed Birmingham, Blacksmith Shop.

Two Scovillites Feted On Retirement



Two retiring Scovillites were recently wished the best of luck, health and many happy years of retirement from their fellow workers and friends.

(top photo) Carmelo Randazza accepts a gift presented by Foreman Raymond Darling. During his retirement Mr. Randazza is planning a trip to Italy.

Rufus W. Hewitt was bid fond farewell at a lunch-hour party. Foreman Harry Lauderemann presented Mr. Hewitt a gift in honor of his retirement.

Scovill Golf League

Everyone looks forward to this time of year, but there is one group of people who are overjoyed when that old sun starts shining warm and clear — they are known as golfers. Scovill has many golfers and, to accommodate as many as possible, four different leagues have been organized.

SERA Inter-Dept. Golf League

The SERA Inter-Department Golf League is made up of 16 two-man teams. Matches are scheduled to begin at 4 p.m. on Thursday, April 28, at the East Mountain Golf Course.

Friday Niters Golf League

The Friday Niters Golf League will hold its matches at the East Mountain Golf Course beginning at 5:15 p.m. on Friday, April 29. This league has 18 two-man teams.

Handicap Golf League

The Handicap Golf League consists of 16 two-man teams who will play every Tuesday at 5 p.m., beginning May 3, at the East Mountain Course.

Engineering Golf League

The 10 two-man teams of the Engineering Golf League will play on Mondays at 5 p.m. with the first game scheduled for May 2, also at the East Mountain Golf Course.



By Juanita Addressio

I just heard that Shirley (Rice) Zuraitis, formerly of the Time Office, had a son in January and named him Brett.

Pegi Conway is a very sly little girl. Pegi has been in Florida on a vacation and while she was there she was joined by her fiance, Jimmy Christian. So on March 25, Pegi changed her name to Mrs. James Christian. Best of luck to you both.

April is the month of anniversaries in the Button and Fastener Sales Office. Penny Reilly celebrated her anniversary on the 7th, Peggy Phelan on the 8th and Natalie Zilano on the 12th. Sure hope they have many more.

Pat O'Mahoney celebrated her birthday April 6 and also her two year anniversary in this country. In case you don't know it, Pat's a little Irish girl from London.

Ann Brennan made a trip to our New York Office last week and tells us that Marie Frisa and Sonia Tourella of the New York Office remarked they enjoyed reading about the people whose names and voices they knew, but have never seen. I also heard this same comment from our Greensboro Office. Kinda nice to know that some people do read this column.

There will be a trip to Atlantic City on May 27 thru Decoration Day, so contact Margaret Snowden in case you are interested. Don't forget the Florida and Canadian Trips during the Shut-Down.

Just a reminder to reserve May 7 for the Big Banquet.

Classified Ads

FOR SALE

Folding baby carriage, used 5 months, like new. Call 4-3743.

Four-room bungalow in Oakville, hot air heat, full cellar, storm windows, very good condition; 1948 two-door Oldsmobile \$100. Call Crestwood 4-1089 after 5 p.m.

Whitall 9 x 12 Anglo-Persian rug, pad, excellent condition. Call 4-3858 after 5:30 p.m.

Combination sink and tub, all fixtures, trap and top frame for sink, \$20. Call 4-7690.

Metal bed, spring; side arm gas heater, \$5; wheel barrow, \$5. Call 4-8867 after 3 p.m.

Hardwick gas stove, 4 cooking burners, visible baking oven, gas heater, like new. Call 6-6783.

8 1/2 cu. ft. Hotpoint refrigerator, excellent condition, \$125; four oil drums, \$2 each. Call 6-1386.

Boy's spring coat, size 8; Boy's white linen suit, size 12. Both almost new. Call 5-3584.

Crescent kitchen range, oil burners, very good condition. Call 4-4623 after 6 p.m.

Hanson-Gates electric hot water heater, 30 gal, \$35. Call 5-0477 after 5 p.m.

1940 Chevrolet, 2-door sedan, good condition. Call 5-5430 or call at 116 Laval St.

Child's outdoor swing; 2 tricycles; hand propelled car; all for \$8. Call 6-3152.

Lots, 134' x 287, Prospect on route 68. \$850. Call 5-8135.

1947 Studebaker sedan, 4 door, like new, \$250; outboard motor, extra parts, 12 1/2 H.P., \$95. Call at 33 West Clay St., 1st floor or call 4-8315.

Man's low cuban heel shoes, size 8, medium width, 2 pair black, 1 white, 1 brown, \$1 pair; 1 pair black and white sport shoes, \$4; Man's camel hair coat and grey suit, medium size, both for \$10; 28" bicycle, \$10; large chain drive tricycle, \$15. Call 6-5973 after 3:30 p.m.

Daffodils, narcissus, forsythia bushes, rambling roses, chrysanthemums, at 25¢; 16" bicycle, coaster brake; small tricycle; 30" kitchen sink, \$3. Call 5-6416.

Pontiac, radio, perfect condition; nightcrawlers and redworms. Call 3-0059 after 5 p.m.

WANTED TO BUY

Double set tub, good condition. Call ext. 535.

Rug 8' x 10 or 9' x 10. Call Atlas 3-4888 evenings.

Second-hand hospital bed, good condition. Call ext. 800 between 7-3:30.

Girl's 28" bicycle. Call 4-9100.

Small upright piano. Call 5-8556 after 5:30 p.m.

FOR RENT

Two room furnished apartment, 2nd floor, hot water, gas and electricity, private bath. Call 3-9971, 9 a.m.-10 p.m.

Five Succumb

WENDELL R. HANSON, Buff No. 1, died on March 30, 1955.

Mr. Hanson first came to Scovill December, 1939, but due to periods out of the plant his continuous service record started in November, 1951. He had served in the Chucking Dept., Drill & Tap and Case No. 2. At the time of his death Mr. Hanson was a Packermatic Machine Helper in Buff No. 1.

FRANK MASSICOTTE, retired, died on March 30, 1955.

Mr. Massicotte was hired in January, 1915, and had a continuous service record of over 38 years. Always in the Drawing Room, he was a toolsetter when retired in September, 1953.

CHRISTOPHER WILCKEN, Casting Shop, died on March 30, 1955.

Mr. Wilcken had a continuous service record since August, 1950, which was the date he was hired. At the time of his death he was serving as a Maintenance Group Leader in the Casting Shop.

FRANK N. TREAT, retired, died April 6, 1955.

Mr. Treat first came to Scovill in July, 1905. With a continuous service record of over 40 years, he retired in 1946. Always connected with the Tool Div., he was serving as a toolmaker in Mfg. Tool No. 1 at the time of his retirement.

NARCISSE J. NORMAND, retired, died on April 11, 1955.

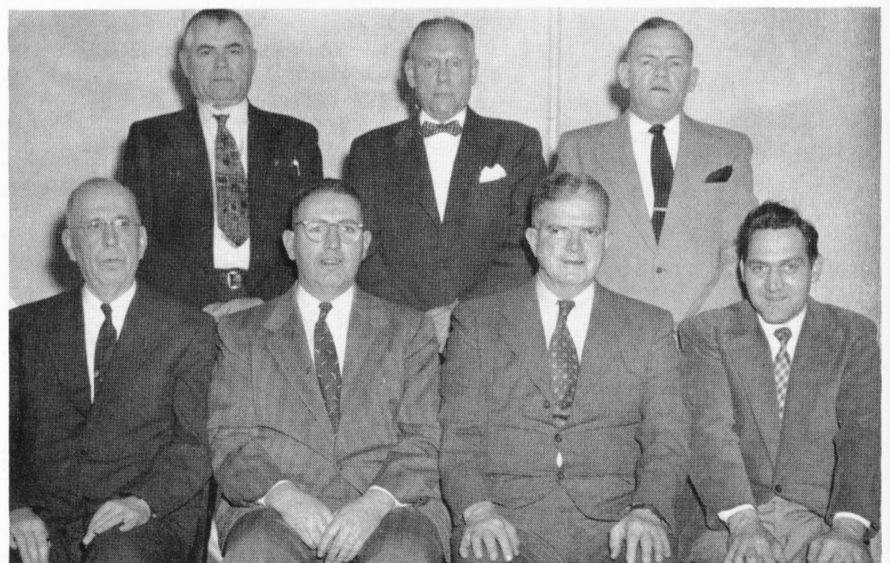
Mr. Normand first came to Scovill in January, 1918, and had a continuous service record since July, 1936. At the time of his retirement in October, 1953, he was serving as a sheet metal worker — working supervisor in the Tin Shop.

Woodtick Gardens

Applications for the gardens are now being accepted at the Employee Activities Office. Employees who have had gardens there in the past will have first choice; new requests will be on the basis of first come — first served. This project is always a huge success, so to be sure to get your application for a plot in as soon as possible.

In order to protect you and your garden, be sure to have the garden in the name of the person who will be working it.

Waterville Foremen's Club Officers



Newly elected officers of the Waterville Foremen's Club are: (seated left to right) Roy Ferris, Secretary; Walter Keating, President; James Hollywood, Vice President; John Baker, Treasurer. (standing) The Board of Governors: Walter Fiftal, Ralph Bates and Leon French.

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