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New GRIPPER Snap Fastener Displayed



Our new GRIPPER Snap Fastener with the radial rib socket was featured in our display of Scovill closures shown at the Knitting Arts Exhibition held in the Atlantic City Auditorium recently. This exhibition was sponsored by the National Knitted Underwear Association and the Underwear Institute.

Suggestion Awards

Many suggestions were reviewed at the April 21st meeting of the Industrial Improvement Committee, with the following awards announced:

\$75.00

Albert Uscowski, Continuous Strip Mill, Rolls Division.

\$25.00

Marian Greene, Continuous Strip Mill, Rolls Division.

\$15.00

Gerard Costello, Slide Fastener, Wire Forming.

Gloria Sansoucie, Slide Fastener, Assembly.

\$10.00

Anthony Daddona, Slide Fastener, Chain Machines.

Letters Of Appreciation

Dick Brown, Sl. Fast. Tool; Anthony Daddona, Sl. Fast. Chain Machines; August Farina, Sl. Fast. Chain Machines; Carl Hellendrung, Sl. Fast. Tool Room; Anna Kerner, Sl. Fast. Assembly.

Joseph Lokis, Cont. Strip Mill Rolls Div.; Edward Meccariello, Sl. Fast. Finishing; Germaine Messino, Sl. Fast. Chain Machines; Estelle Osowiecki, Sl. Fast. Finishing; Joe Rossi, Cont. Strip Mill Finishing Div. (for three suggestions).

New Assignments Mills Division

Announced by Works Manager — Mills Division J. J. Hoben:

Effective April 18, 1955, Leonard Corrado has been appointed Assistant Superintendent of the Continuous Strip Mill. He will report to Superintendent Kenneth L. Tingley.

Effective April 18, 1955, Elbert Sperring has been appointed Production Engineer of the Continuous Strip Mill, reporting to Supt. Tingley.

The Boss

We who work in industry have an all-powerful boss. He is very demanding. He provides work for us, or he takes it away. He is the customer. If we offer him merchandise of the right quality at the right price, he will buy what we make. That means more work. If he is not satisfied with either quality or price, he will not buy. That means layoffs in industry.

Probably anyone who has worked for a number of years in a plant knows of items that are no longer made in that plant, though they are still being sold in the markets. Undoubtedly the reason is either quality went down or costs went up. The boss was not satisfied. So jobs were lost to the employees of that plant.

The only practical way to maintain our jobs is to produce what people (the boss) will buy. No company can long survive if its products do not sell. This part of Connecticut is a relatively high wage area. Many things that were once made here are now made elsewhere. It is important to every one of us that we do not increase the flight of jobs from our community.

Alan C. Curtiss
Vice President

Retired Folks' Club

George Hubbard, chairman, announces that a highly entertaining program has been lined up for the May 10th meeting of the Scovill Retired Folks' Club, at Doolittle Hall. It will consist of a variety of exhibitions designed to be of interest to all. Refreshments will also be served.

For those requiring transportation, a Company bus will pick up passengers at the Scovill Girls' Club (opposite St. Mary's Hospital) at 1:15 p.m. and, for the return trip, will leave Doolittle Hall at 3:30 p.m.

Approximately 50 members attended the April 12th meeting at Doolittle Hall and were treated to an illustrated description of the English game cricket. Vice President H. W. Wild was the guest speaker.

All retired employees of the Main Plant, Waterville and Oakville divisions are invited to attend.

Scovill Exhibits

The Diaper Services Institute of America is sponsoring an exhibit at the Penn Top South, Hotel Statler, New York from May 1 thru 4th. The Scovill booth will feature the new stainless steel GRIPPER Snap Fastener as applied to diapers.

This new type of GRIPPER Snap Fastener eliminates the use of pins to secure the diaper thereby making "Snap" Diapers safer, easier to use, and much more convenient. They are also form fitting and adjustable — certainly welcome factors to mothers.

A second exhibit in New York is the International Aviation Trade Show, at the 69th Regimental Armory from May 4 thru 6th.

The Scovill booth will feature the Scovill PANELOC Fasteners. Emphasizing the PANELOC High Performance Aircraft Fasteners, plus the PANELOC Aircraft Panel Fasteners and the PANELOC Rotary Latch.

Committee Plans Blood Mobile Visit



Fully confident their group would meet the quota of 125 units of blood set for the April 27th visit of the Mobile Unit to Doolittle Hall, the above committee members have done a terrific job of lining up volunteers. They are (seated): Charles Ancypa, Carleton Miles, Louis Ker-

win, Vincent Manzolli, John Carey, William Albanese and Russell Potter. Standing:—Chairman Tony Jacovich, Peter Kelly, Anthony Lacerenza, Peter Dowling, Robert Russett, Henry Schissler, Harriet Therkindsen, Robert Bailey and Anthony Monterose.

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It's Clean-Up Time

Last issue we spoke of Springtime — Green-up Time — as it stirs up the desire to answer the call of the open road; to cut loose from dreary trappings, and to enjoy the wonderful changes nature is creating all over the countryside.

Traditionally, it is also the time of year the housekeeper sets aside for placing the house in order. The brooms swish, dust cloths swipe, soap and water flow as people work to get their homes all polished up to match the freshness of the new "green-up" time.

Clean-up time has been designated in Waterbury, by Mayor Raymond E. Snyder, for the week of May 1-7. He asks all residents to help make the community a cleaner, safer and more attractive place in which to live by participating actively in the campaign. He urges all to take advantage of the city's pickup facilities to dispose of rubbish and not to dispose of such wastes to the detriment of the health and sanitation of the community.

Clean-up time at Scovill is a year-around proposition. It is necessary to keep the plant a clean, safe place to work — for the employee's sake as well as to keep production rolling. Even if no one was hurt, in the event of a fire, it might mean that an employee's place of livelihood was gone.

Clean-up time, somewhere, is everyone's job. Perhaps it's just a desk. The Sanitation Department does the big job day and night — but each employee can help by cleaning up after himself.

It's the simple little things — so small in themselves, yet so important in maintaining a safe and healthy place to work. Put materials in their proper places; return lunch-time milk and coke bottles to their proper places. Neglected, the remains breed germs and prove a starting point for disease. Broken, the bottles are daggers in disguise.

Everything has its place. If you have a clean workplace, others will follow because normally people hate to be discordants in the scheme of cleanliness. A clean workplace shows a clean person at work.

Another instance where you can win friends and influence people.

Salvage Department Crew



This is our Salvage Department. (Left to right) Fred Samuelson, Frank Cano, Jose Alemany, Michael Casso, Scundino Rodriguez, Vincent Cinquegrana, Angelo Cantino, Patsy Polci, Carmen Capozzi, Alfred Tisdol and Jim Casso. (Background) Foreman John Griffin and Asst. Foreman Bruce Wood.

This is "Clean-Up Week" — and a good time to tell about our Salvage Department. We salute our Salvage Crew and the men who operate this important and efficient part of our plant. A "Clean-Up Week" only once a year may be alright for an attic or cellar but for the Main Plant clean-up time is always now.

In one day—every day—these men

receive from the Sanitary Dept. salvage stations, and other locations, about 350 barrels of rubbish. Add to this five or more loads of scrap metal for sorting and handling, about two loads of scrap wood and a few more of assorted waste products. The important part of this job is in the recovery of saleable waste and scrap from the worthless which is disposed of.

IT'S CLEANUP TIME!



Feeling No Pain

By Robert W. Butler, M. D.

Back in the days of the clipper ships was no time to lose a leg! Not that any time could be a good time; but if you had to lose one in this day and age, you'd have a painless operation at any rate.

As recently as a couple of hundred years ago, an amputation was a butcher-and-blacksmith job, and the anaesthesia was strictly brutal! They gave the patient all the whiskey he could hold, tied him to a table, got four of the heaviest members of the crew to lean on various parts of his anatomy to make doubly sure he wouldn't move, and then went to work. The "work" was accomplished with a knife and a saw from the galley, and they stopped the bleeding by applying red hot irons to the raw flesh. Ugh! How the patient ever survived — or wanted to, is beyond comprehension.

We've come a long way since then, largely because of man's never ending fight to conquer pain. It all began before the days of recorded history; and the pain deadening powers of opium and hashish were known to the people of the earliest civilizations. Drugs were not known to all men in those days and temporary unconsciousness was sometimes produced by half-strangling the patient or by placing a wooden bowl on his head and striking it with a solid object to produce a concussion. Truly a fine way to be put to sleep, but it was all they knew!

The inhaling of various kinds of gases to produce deep sleep had its origin in England as a result of experiments with nitrous oxide (laughing gas) by an English chemist. This work was done about the time of the American Revolution; but was not put to practical use until a hundred years ago. At that time a Hartford dentist, who had witnessed a demonstration of the effects of the gas in New Haven, used it successfully for the extraction of a tooth.

At about the same time, experiments were being made with ether. It had been discovered 300 years earlier, but never used for anaesthetic purposes. Its "discovery" is generally considered to have been made by Wm. Morton, a dentist, who used it successfully for tooth-extraction, and later (1846) administered it for an operation at the Massachusetts General Hospital. Its first actual use for this purpose, however, was in Georgia some four years previously, when Dr. C. W. Long anesthetized a patient and removed a tumor from his neck. (Total charges for anaesthesia and operation: \$2.00.)

Chloroform also was investigated and used at this same time in Scotland, its popularity being assured after Queen Victoria agreed to its use during the delivery of her seventh child. Thereafter this drug had great and continuing popularity in Europe, but ether has always had much wider acceptance in the United States.

Local anaesthesia came into use soon after, cocaine having been used in dentistry in 1884. The procaine-novocaine anaesthetics some years later.

It all adds up to the fact that you need have no fear of having pain during an operation, and that because of it, your doctor can take the time necessary to do the operation as it should be done. We've come a long way!

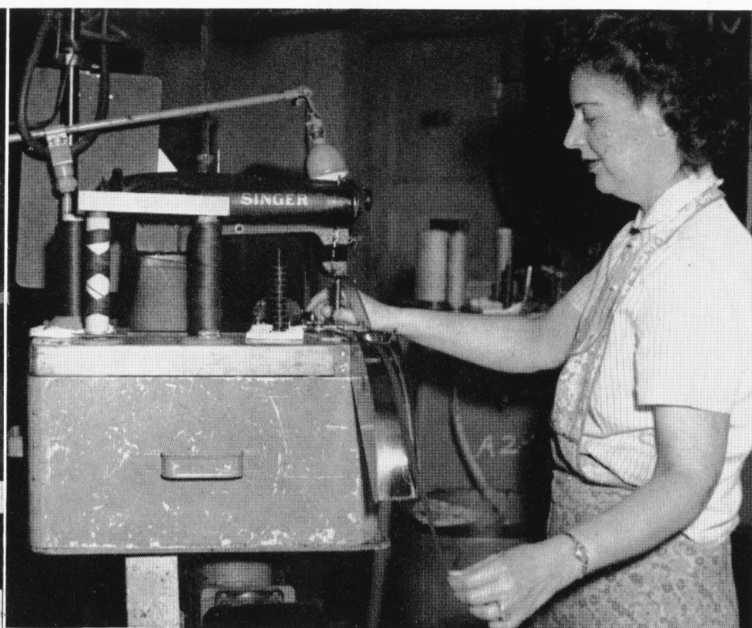
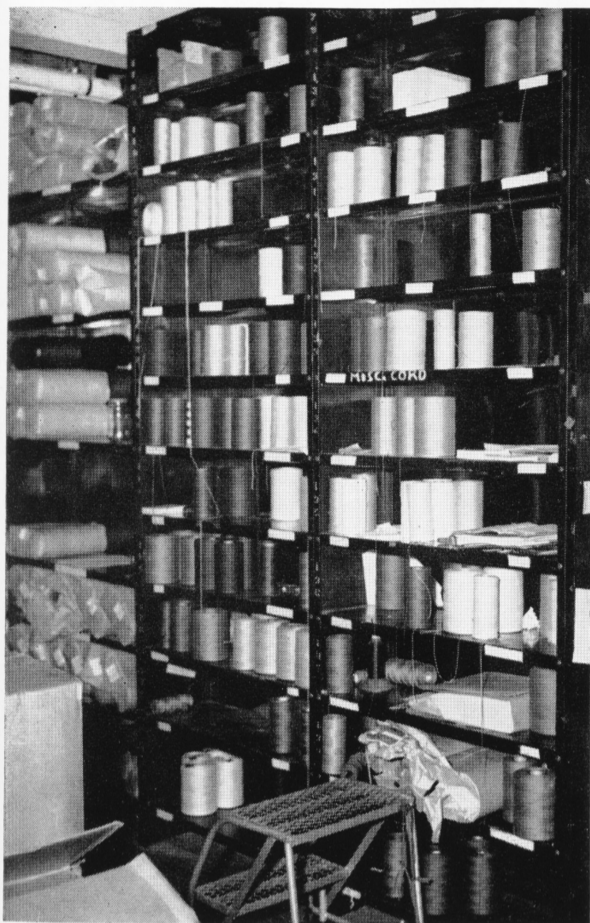
Training Course



Nicholas Santopietro graduated as a machinist on April 10, 1955.

He has been assigned to the West Machine Room.

She Sews a Fine Seam - At Scovill



Claire Daly (above), sewing machine operator, checks the tape as it goes through an upright Singer sewing machine.

(Left) The stock room which stores the articles used on the sewing machines. In this orderly and well racked stock room is any and every imaginable color of tape, cord and thread.

The combination of an efficient operator, a machine in perfect running order and a well supplied stock room insure the quality of Scovill products, as well as the quantity for filling customers' orders quickly and accurately.

"She's a sewing machine operator at Scovill? Sounds like you've been misinformed. What would a big brass company like Scovill be doing with sewing machines?"

It may sound strange but, nevertheless, it's true. And sewing machines play an important part in making our own line of GRIPPER Zippers. They are used in the Chain Room of our Slide Fastener Division to sew cord on the tape which will eventually be attached to our GRIPPER Zippers.

G. Abbondandolo

GIUSEPPE ABBONDANDOLO, retired, died on April 17, 1955.

Mr. Abbondandolo first came to Scovill in July, 1906 but, due to periods out of the plant, his continuous service record started in August, 1909. Always in the Rolling Room, he was a Rolling Barrel Operator at the time of his retirement in August, 1954.

Service Awards

Twenty-Five Years



Robert Miller Btn. Attach. Mach. April 21, 1955
John Assenza Chucking April 29, 1955

John S. Krukauskas, A.S.M.D. April 20, 1955

J. F. Moran, Jr., Planning April 22, 1955

Ten Years

April 27—Mary Sullivan, Assembling; April 28 — Marco E. Rosa, Drawing; May 1—Patsy F. Ceriello, Japan Room.

These sewing machines differ in some respects from the home models but the purpose and result are the same. The industrial model is an upright; the operator does not have to sit constantly at the machine while it is in operation — once started, it runs automatically and needs only watching.

Right and left cords together with thread are sewn on the tape as a support for the metal elements (or scoops) which will eventually make up the GRIPPER Zippers. The tape is stretched as it goes through the machine so that it is evenly and correctly sewn; an automatic lever on the machine will stop it if the tape or sewing is off in any way.

An odd job for a brass manufacturer? Yes, but the types of operators required in Scovill are almost as varied

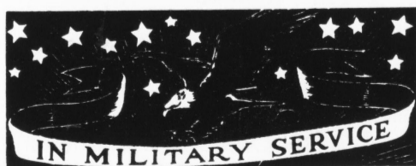
SERA Rifle

The Scovill rifle team is entered in the Statewide Moon-Lite League again this year. A meeting has been scheduled to arrange the dates for the coming matches. These dates will be published later.

The Scovill entry won the Moon-Lite League championship in 1953 and is planning a repeat performance.

The team is looking for recruits—if interested in joining contact Ben Blake (Engineering), Allan Steel (Maintenance Engineering), Harold Slocum (Hot Forge and Shell Dept.) or Harold Hendricksen (Main Tool Room).

Outside of improving their marksmanship, the team has taken on a project. They are coaching the Boy Scouts of the Waterbury area who are working for a merit badge in marksmanship. The boys receive instructions every Monday night 7:30 - 8:30 at the local armory range.



Joseph Seraffino, A.S.M.D.
Edward F. Ziomek, General Training Room No. 1.

Woodtick Opens May 28

The summer season will open officially at Woodtick on Saturday, May 28. Every effort has been made to make the area the ideal recreation spot for Scovillites and their families.

To insure a safe, happy and active summer, facilities are available for such sports as fishing, swimming, boating, picnicking, softball, horseshoes, bocci, volleyball, rifle and skeet shooting, walking and just plain relaxing.

Woodtick offers activities for all age groups especially remembering the children by providing a Children's Day Camp. Applications will be available in June for children and grandchildren between the ages of 6 and 12 of any Scovill employee.

Prior to the opening of the Woodtick area, the Employee Activities Office will distribute employee passes, together with an application blank for associate passes, to each Main Plant and Waterville Div. employee.

Safety Shoe Store

If you have a job that requires safety shoes, don't put off getting them. It may mean a toe or foot.

Safety Shoes are on sale at the Safety Shoe Store in Bldg. 61-A (behind the Spencer Block), every Tuesday and Thursday from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

If those days are inconvenient, call the Safety Office at ext. 888 and make an appointment.

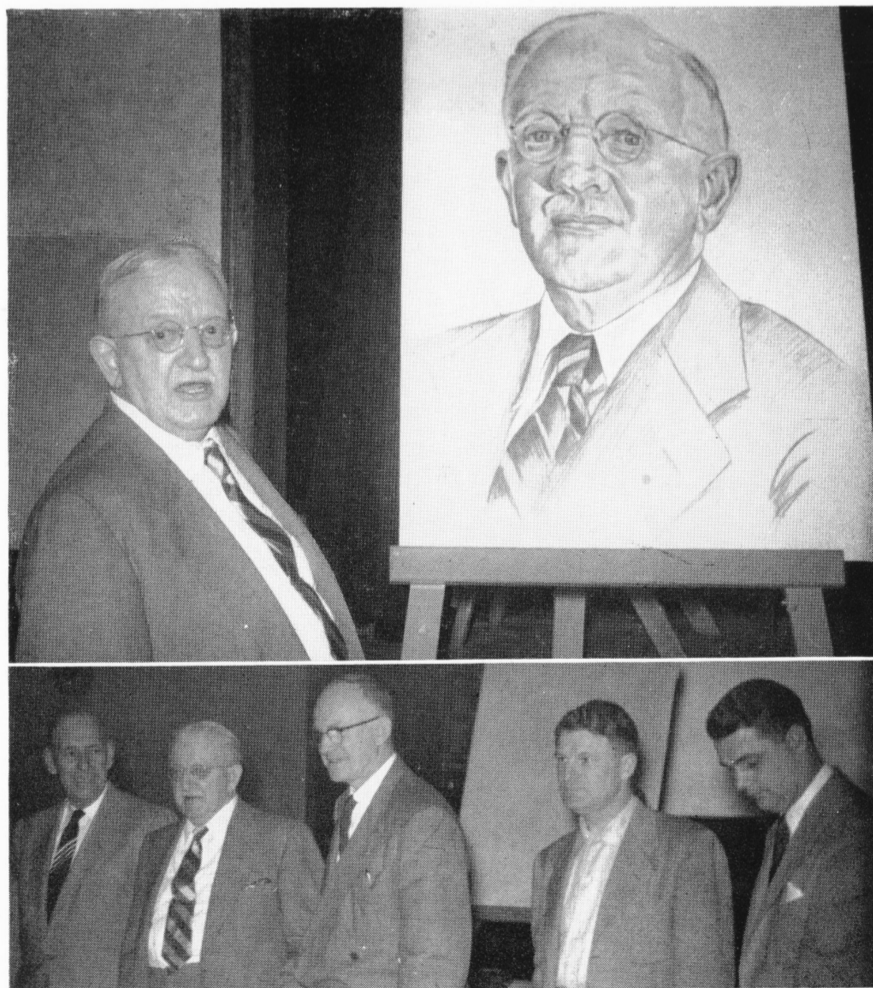
Rod & Gun Club Honor Jimmy Littlejohn

More than one hundred Rod & Gun Club members voiced their appreciation of Jimmy's services to Scovill sportsdom and wished him continued happiness in his retirement.

Bottom photo:—Head table guests included: Edward DeBisschop, Rod & Gun Club President; Jimmy Little-

john; Charles Rietdyke who MC'd the party; Ray Ladden, Chairman of SERA fishing committee and Ray Laneville, Rod & Gun Club Treasurer.

An excellent professional sporting moving picture presentation, shown by Bill Armour, brought a very successful party to a fitting close.



Doolittle Hall was the scene of a most enjoyable dinner party, recently, in honor of Jimmy Littlejohn who has retired from active service.

Jimmy received as a memento a charcoal drawing by George Slater (top photo), a life membership in the Rod & Gun Club and a substantial purse.

Tribute Paid To James P. Waters



Fine tribute was paid to Jim Waters by his co-workers and friends in the Waterville Division recently. He was given a Hamilton watch in recognition of 50 years of continuous faithful service.

At the presentation were:—(left to right) Jennie Bradley, Bernice Varcuinas, Ralph Bates, Waterville Vice-President and General Manager S. G. Gaillard, Jr., Production Supervisor C. D. MacKellar (presenting the gift to Jim), Plant Manager L. G. Robinson, R. G. Monroe and George Goggin.

Girls' Club News

By Juanita Addressio

I hear the Harold Ritucci's are rock-a-byeing another new son — his name is Richard. Mrs. Ritucci is the former Lena Pazzaglioni of the Addressograph Dept.

At the Annual Meeting held on April 18 following council members were elected: Vickey Daniels, Evelyn Smoil, Marie Martineau, Teresa Ryan, Eleanor Fitzpatrick, Jeannette Duplaise, Betty Doyle, Edith Carolan and me too; with Hazel Didsbury and Mary Winton representing Waterville; Mary Javosz and Ann Romano will act as alternates.

The new Council elected Agnes Towne as President; Clo Read, Vice President; Yours Truly, Secretary and Margaret Snowden, Treasurer.

Betty Doyle is the new Chairlady of Entertainment with Jeannette Duplaise and Eleanor Fitzpatrick as Co-Chairladies.

Marie Martineau will handle the Sick Committee—so please call her when you know of a Girls' Club Member who is out sick, or any deaths that should be remembered by the Club.

Ruth Tourangeau will handle membership; Marie Martineau, Betty Colbassani and Edith Carolan comprise the By-Laws Committee.

Hope everyone had a good time at the Cabaret Dance on April 16. I sure did. You have to fight your way in the door, attendance is so terrific. So Beware! If you haven't been to any of the dances but



The newly-elected officers of the Scovill Girls' Club for 1955 are:—(seated) Agnes Towne, President and Clo Read, Vice President. (Standing) Margaret Snowden, Treasurer and Juanita Addressio, Secretary.

want to go to the next one you'll have to get your tickets early.

Don't forget the Annual Banquet at the Hotel Elton, May 7. Sometimes I think it should be the Annual Fashion Parade. Everyone looks so very nice with new hats and dresses. Everyone enjoyed hearing Father Keating speak last year so, we're going to have him be our guest speaker again this year. So, come one and all! It will be a gala time.

This is my last column. I'd like you to meet Teresa Ryan of Packing A who will assume her duties as reporter of this column for the next issue. If you have any news contact Teresa in Packing A. It was fun writing and I'll still get my finger in the pie.

Inter-Dept Softball

The Inter - Department Softball League committee, headed by Chairman Tony Jacovich, held an organizational meeting on April 25, at the Employee Activities Office. They announce that their season will start officially on May 9.

The League shall be governed by the "Official Softball Rules of 1955" with one exception: the League will recognize a 10-man team, but a team must field at least eight men.

Eligibility of players:—all players must be full-time employees of Scovill; player must play with his own department if it is represented in the League—if not he may play with any other team.

There will be two complete rounds, each team playing every other team in the League twice. The winning team will be given a banquet and individual awards.

The next meeting will be held May 3 at which time the final arrangements will be made.

For further information call the Employee Activities Office Ext. 834.

Classified Ads

FOR SALE

1940 Packard sedan, 4-door, 5,000 miles on new motor overhaul, white wall tires, very good condition, \$100. Call 4-0598.

42-inch sink, tray, faucets, \$15. Call 5-3657 after 5 p.m.

Lot, Lake Winnemau, 2nd from waterfront. Call 4-9456.

Combined desk and bookcase, large, \$15. Call 3-2553.

Trotwood house trailer, fully equipped, 19' long, good condition; cedar chest, good condition. Call 8-2001.

Tarpaulin, 11 x 14'. Call 5-5625 after 6 p.m.

Parlor stove, used 4 months, like new; oil pot burner. Call 5-5982.

Automatic hot water heater; 3-piece living room set. Call 3-1714.

Boy's shoe roller skates, size 8, like new. Call 6-5370 after 6 p.m.

Building lot 60 x 155', Buckingham St., Oakville. Call CRestwood 4-1717 between 4-6 p.m.

Garage, 10 x 20', clapboard siding, sections bolt together, aluminum overhead door, suitable as cottage. Call PLaza 4-2244 or CRestwood 4-1362.

Forty strawberry plants, \$1. Call 4-1323.

Federal 4 x 5 enlarger, lens, other equipment; 1941 Buick sedan, 4-door, dark green, good condition. Call 5-3302 after 6 p.m.

Women's suits, dresses, sizes 10 and 14; girl's spring coat, dresses, misc., sizes 5 and 6; linens; curtains; misc. articles. Call 4-7440.

Storm windows and screens to match, one each of the following sizes: 29 3/4 x 36 1/4", 31 3/4 x 50", 29 3/4 x 50 1/2", 34 x 50", 34 x 46", 34 x 46 1/4", 28 x 46 1/4", 25 1/2 x 31 1/2". \$1 each; Screens only one of each: 28 x 46 1/2", 30 x 47 1/4". \$1 each; side arm water heater; also gas burner for stove; Eureka cleaner; Detroit jewel propane gas range, good condition. Call 5-5038 after 4 p.m.

1948 DeLuxe Dodge coupe, excellent condition. Call 4-7286 after 5 p.m.

Norway spruce trees; barberry bushes, all sizes; daffodils, narcissus, ramblers, forsythia, at 25c; small tricycle; Coleman lantern; 30" kitchen sink, \$3; screen door 35 x 85, \$2. Call 5-6416.

Hotpoint refrigerator, 8 1/2 cu. ft., excellent condition, \$85; four 55 gal. oil drums, \$1.50 each. Call 6-1386.

Combination sink, lid and cover, reasonable. Call 3-3984.

Universal stove, combination electric and oil, porcelain, excellent condition. Call 3-6176 after 5 p.m.

Hercules sidearm water heater, chrome pipe; 30" kitchen sink, white. Call 3-4018 after 5 p.m.

1949 Custom DeSoto, 2-door, maroon, radio, heater, new whitewall tires, new seatcovers, good condition; large tricycle, chain driven, \$15. Call 6-5973 after 3:30 p.m.

15-ft. Wolverine two deck motor boat and accessories; 15 horsepower Evinrude motor, 2 years old. Call 4-1010 after 4 p.m.

1949 Buick convertible, blue, radio, heater, good condition. Call 4-6636 or inquire at 98 Kelsey St. after 4 p.m.

Lot for sale, 66' width by 132' length, 130 Birch St., \$700. Call 3-6409.

Storm sash and screens with hardware, \$5 a pair:

| Glass size width - height | Window Frame Opening width - height |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 11—26 x 26" | 30 x 59" |
| 4—26 x 24" | 30 x 55" |
| 2—18 x 16" | 22 x 39" |
| 1—24 x 20" | 28 x 47" |

Screens:

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| 1—26 x 22" | 30 x 52" |
| 1—24 x 22" | 28 x 51" |

Storm windows:
2—25 x 24" 29 x 56";
combination door 3' x 6' 8 1/2" with hardware, \$8. Call 3-6056.

One tire 500 x 16, good condition, \$5. Call 3-9322.

Girl's 26" Columbia bike, excellent condition, \$20. Call Cheshire BRowning 2-4340 or PLaza 6-9330 after 5 p.m. or anytime Saturday and Sunday.

Free—Two 3-weeks old kittens, white. Present owner interested in finding them a good home. Call 5-0491 after 6 p.m.

WANTED

Chest of drawers, up to 27" width. Call 3-2553.

Two employed business women desire 4, 5 or 6 unfurnished rooms, central or on bus line. Occupancy any time between now and October. Call 3-0318 after 5:30 p.m. or Ext. 2421 during working hours.

FOUND

Rhinestone clip-on earring in vicinity of Bldg. 6-3. Call ext. 345.

Lipstick Dept. Relay Bowling League



The Relay Bowling League consisted of four teams: Contacts, Coilers, Headers and Actuators. Making up these teams were: (front row left to right) A. Rondinaro, F. Durante, C. Natalie, B. Lombardi, J. Devino, J. Sorbo, A. Ricciardi and G. Verzino. (Standing) M. Mazzie, M. Martino, H. Dubauskas, J. Freedo, R. Olson, L. Pape, M. Marcellinas and T. Mitchell.

The Relay Bowling League has completed a fine season with the Contacts in first place, Coilers in second, Headers next and Actuators.

High average was 101 bowled by Frances Durante; Genevieve Verzino took honors for high three with 338;

high single of 140 went to Marion Marcellinas; Lucy Pape with a 92 game took high game without a mark.

The Contacts and Actuators tied for high single game—with 426, and the Headers with 1173 were the winners of the high three game.

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