

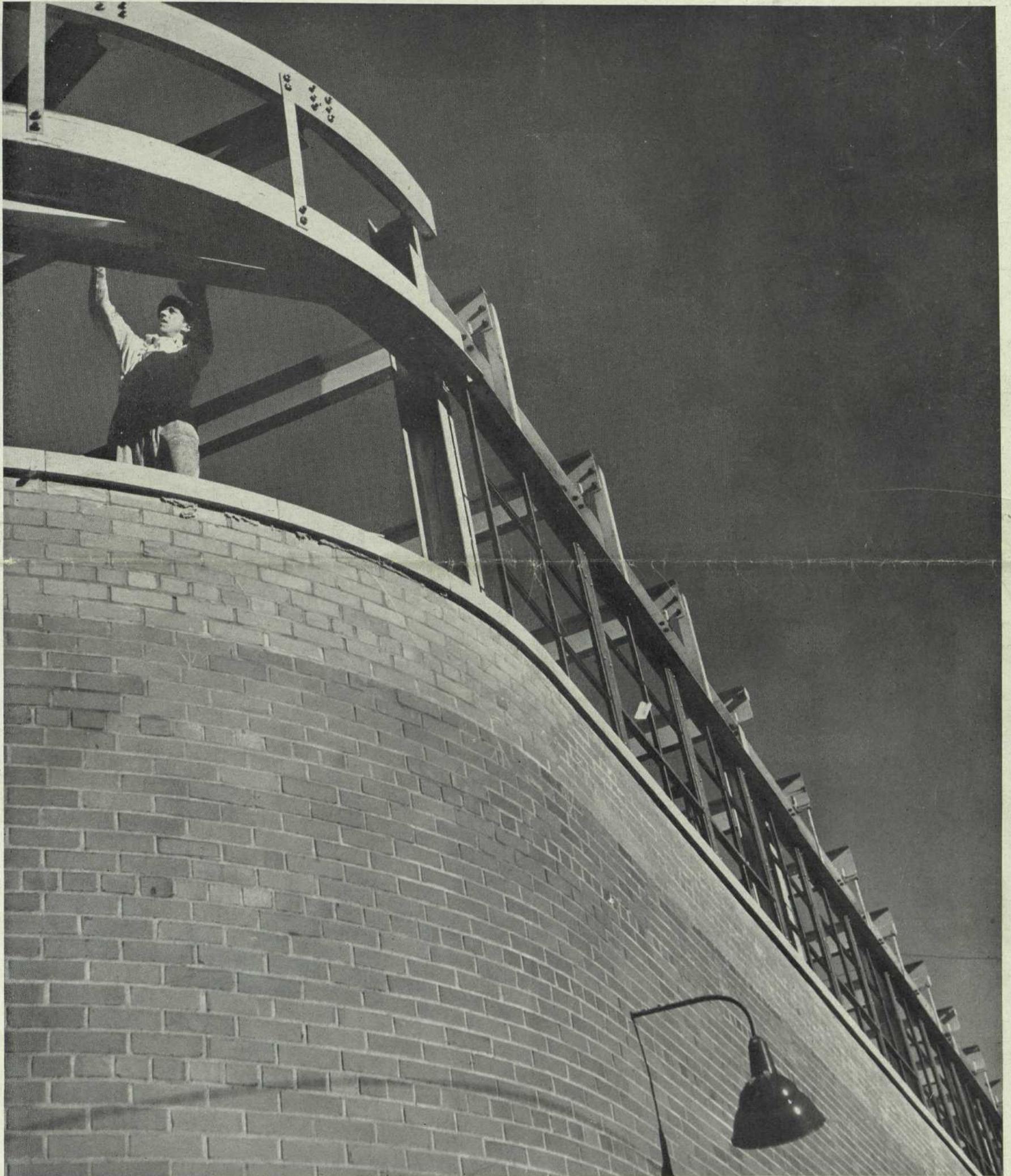


Argus eyes for Victory!

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“LET EACH OF US TAKE UNTO HIMSELF A BEAM AND LET US BUILD THEREIN A PLACE WHERE WE MAY DWELL”

And so we progress. . . . Two important steps initiated early this year are visible signs of our advance. The adoption of the name “Argus, Incorporated” has united our Company name with the product which has become world famous—the Argus camera, and the production experience of which was the keystone of our preparedness when we had to meet urgent demands for our armed services in the production of vital war materials. The challenge that came with the war,

and which we so ably met, stimulated us to renewed production and developed skill which will be put to the fullest possible use in the days after Victory. In building an extensive addition to our Plant which will be used by the Engineering department, we have increased our stature by not only giving us much needed space, but by also creating elbow room for further development. It is then with renewed enthusiasm we look to the future in this place where we may dwell . . . in peace.



This paper is an employees' publication. Its aims are:

1. To present news of individuals throughout the two plants.
2. To keep former employees now in the service informed as to what is going on at Argus, Incorporated.
3. To present up-to-date information on all problems vital to employees which the war has brought about.
4. To give all employees an opportunity to express themselves.

No items will be used which will tend to ridicule or embarrass anyone. Humor and good-natured fun, however, are always acceptable.

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The Argus Flyers, Incorporated

A new flying club has been organized at Argus—"The Argus Flyers, Incorporated." A meeting was held early in May, at which time the club was organized and a Board of Directors was elected. Robert Isaacson, Jan Van den Broek and Vern Heck were elected to the Board of Directors. Members are as follows:

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| Vern Heck | Donald Hanawalt |
| Charles Cole | Elmer Pfister |
| Jan Van den Broek | Edwin Hamilton |
| Conrad Ganzhorn | Jack Danner |
| Theodore Tirb | Bruce Goulder |
| Frederick Belser | James Devlin |
| James D. Nutt | Robert Isaacson |

The club will be flying from the Ann Arbor Airport.

A gossip is a person with a keen sense of rumor.

FIFTH WAR LOAN

"We Have Faith"



As President of the Argus Recreation Club, I have been asked to say a few words about the 5th War Loan Drive.

I could have my picture taken waving the flag or I could give you about a column of very dramatic phrases, but I don't feel that is necessary. The Argus group is an intelligent group. You read the newspapers and understand the importance of the Drive.

You must, by this time, realize that you are the ones to gain by buying bonds - greater security, a nice "nest-egg," a more stable country, better control of prices and, of course, the opportunity of supplying the weapons for Victory.

You are not asked to "give" except to give yourself a break. So let's pitch in and set an example that we can be proud of.

Eddie Girvan

EDDIE GIRVAN, President, Argus Recreation Club.

SUGGESTION PLAN AWARD WINNERS

Dora Eugene has now won three \$25.00 War Bonds for her good suggestions. Her latest suggestion will save many dollars on our camera lenses. Good work, Dora, keep it up!

Bill Penoyar won his award for an improvement on a Solenoid inspection fixture, which has increased production.

Luella Bafs now has won two \$25.00 War Bonds. The second Bond was awarded for an improvement she suggested on an arbor press fixture. This improvement showed a saving of 20.0 minutes per hundred pieces and also reduces our breakage of expensive broaches.

Arthur Gerstler won his \$25.00 War Bond on an improvement to an inspection fixture, which shows a saving of 16.0 minutes per hundred pieces.

Doris Layer also is a two-time winner, and her last winning suggestion will increase our disposing of rejects in a more orderly and efficient manner.

Robert Sutton is now leading our list of Suggestion Plan winners. His total now is four. They are: (1) Saving of expendable copper wire, (2) Reducing rejects of our MP-28BA, which also increases the operator's production, and (3) reducing scrap of toggle switches on our MP-28BA through the use of a locking nut. Keep it up, Bob, and stay on top!

Sid Weiner also has won two War Bonds. The first being a new method of spot welding our IE-139 Meter Box, which showed a saving of 69.0 minutes per hundred pieces. His second winning suggestion was to combine two operations into one. The result showed a saving of 66.0 minutes per hundred pieces on two parts.

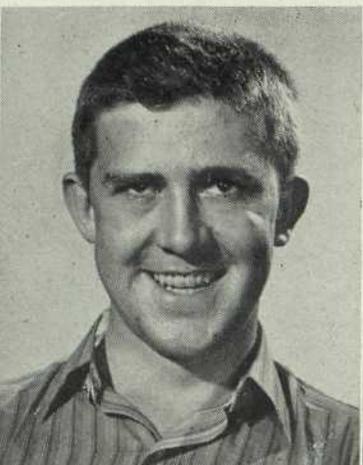
Plant 2 Suggestion Award Winners were Hubert Krasny, Henry Christopherson and Arthur Oakes. Mr. Krasny, Dept. 30, Machine Shop, turned in a suggestion which eliminated four operations on a part he makes on the turret lathe. He sketched a form tool, which was made up in the toolroom and installed on his machine. The form tool does the four operations in one, and consequently increases production.

Henry Christopherson, Dept. 36, suggested an adjustable iron clamp under the swinging arm of his polishing machine to prevent the breakage of lenses caused by the arm on the machine coming off and striking the blocked lenses. The iron clamp stops the arm from reaching the lenses, thus eliminating another cause of scrap.

Arthur Oakes, Dept. 30, Machine Shop, suggested an automatic trip to be mounted on the turret lathe he operates for threading the end of a casting. The old method made it necessary for him to use his own judgment in completing the operation. The automatic trip relieves him of the responsibility and converts it to a mechanical operation, thus increasing the production on the part.



Henry Christopherson



Bill Penoyar



Arthur Oakes



Doris Layer



Arthur Gerstler

JIM NORRIS COMES TO ARGUS



This is Jim Norris. He used to be an insurance broker, wanted to be in war work. Bud Davis and Jerry Buhman suggested Argus. Jim came in and talked to our Interviewer, filled out an application form and then Jim and Interviewer talked some more.



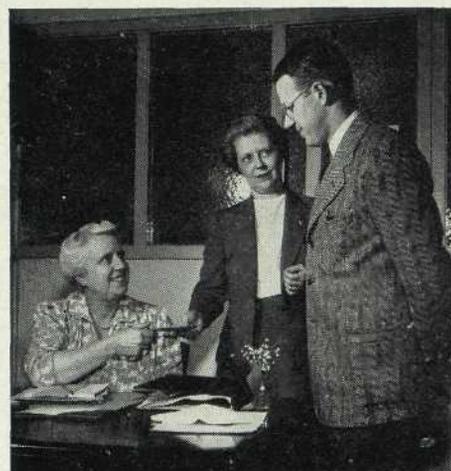
Head of Payroll came in at request of Interviewer, decided Jim would be an asset to his department and hired him. They talked for a while. (It takes quite a lot of talk.)



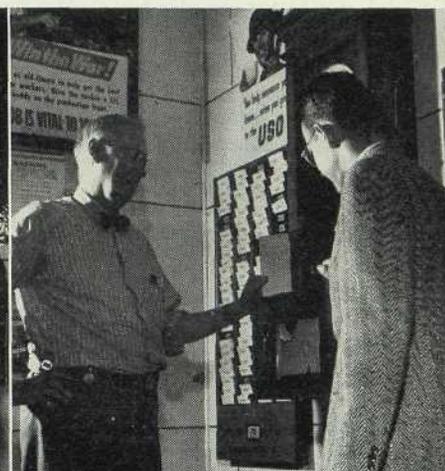
Interviewer and Jim stopped at Secretary's desk to settle details of draft classification. Secretary is very technical about this.



Jim and Interviewer then went over to the Paymaster's desk to acquire badge, clock number and time card. Insurance and Bond Clerk was anxious to know whether Jim would be on her list of subscribers. (Everybody liked Jim.)



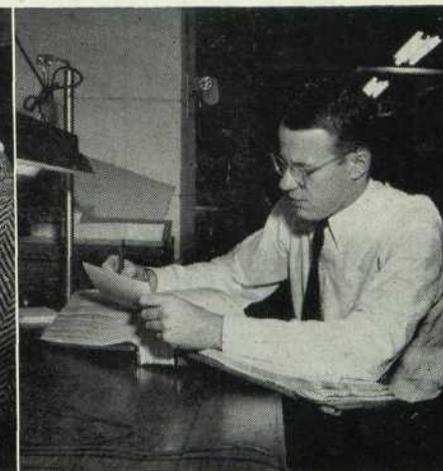
Employe Counsellor met Jim and told him about the rules and policies of the Company. Interviewer had previously told him about the Profit Sharing Plan. Was he impressed!



Employe Paymaster took him out to time clock and showed him how to punch in and out. If Jim hadn't he might have worked indefinitely without getting any salary.



Employe Counsellor left him with First Aid Nurse, who signed him up for a physical and told him to be sure and drop in any time he had a headache, sore throat or felt a cold coming on.



Next morning, when he came to work, everyone was expecting him. He knew exactly where to go and a week later you'd have thought he'd been here always. Here, he is—been here always!

SPECIAL NOTICE

May 16, 1944.

In accordance with our plan of publishing company policies in Argus Eyes, we are printing here the Vacation Policy, so that everyone will understand just how his vacation is figured.

We particularly want to mention the fact that we feel very keenly about the differences in hourly and salary vacation plans. When we established the hourly vacation plan last summer, we requested the War Labor Board to approve the same plan for both hourly and salaried workers. They changed our plan substantially, however, and prevented us from offering a uniform plan for both hourly and salary workers. We cannot change the War Labor Board's ruling, but we do want everyone to understand why the plans are different.

ROBERT D. HOWSE, President.

VACATION POLICY

As a part of our policy to make this a good place to work, the company has established the following vacation policy for all regular employees:

Hourly Employees: (Approved by NWLB 7/19/43)

All hourly workers of one through four years of seniority as of June 1 receive 40 hours' vacation pay.

All hourly workers of five years' seniority or over, as of June 1, receive 80 hours' vacation pay.

Salaried Employees: (Established for a number of years)

All salaried workers of one year's seniority as of June 1 receive two weeks' vacation pay. (Based on 40-hour work week.)

Those employed since June 1 of last year shall receive one day's vacation for each complete month of service, not to exceed two weeks.

Vacation pay for salaried employes is computed as of the date the vacation is taken.

General:

All vacation pay is based on a 40-hour work week or fraction thereof.

Each department head, in conjunction with the Plant Superintendent, will arrange a schedule among the employes of the department so that the work can be carried on with the least possible interruption. Time of vacation must be completely at the discretion of management because of the war production schedules which must be met.

The employes who have vacation allowed must take the time off for the needed rest and relaxation. No employe will be permitted to work their vacation period and be paid double, unless their presence is absolutely necessary for the war effort and is okeyed in writing by the department. Your company believes this vacation policy is a permanent one and will do its part to keep it so. Yet conditions under which we are living today may make it necessary to change it for the good of everyone. Therefore, when in

the opinion of the Board of Directors and the Management the condition of the company is such that the payment of this vacation money on the above basis would jeopardize the future of the company, the Directors will use their best judgment in changing this set-up to one that is fair and equitable to all under the conditions at that time.

Employes must take their vacations by not later than June 1 of the following year. Vacation time is not cumulative from year to year.

Upon termination of employment, an employe shall receive compensation for unused vacation to which he is entitled, according to the provisions of this policy. This means that those employes who leave before June 1 are not entitled to this year's vacation. Those leaving after June 1 will be compensated for this year's vacation because the whole vacation plan is based on the June 1 date.

No part-time employes are eligible for vacation.

Instructions Followed

Man Instructor: "I am putting this rivet in the correct position; when I nod my head, hit it real hard with your hammer." She did. He woke up the next day in the hospital.

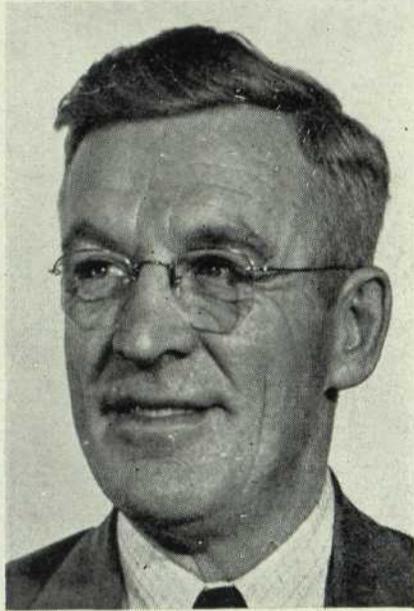
"Yes, Miss, golf is easy. All you do is smack the pill, then walk."
Lillian G.: "How interesting? Just like some auto rides I've been on."

Blood plasma has saved many lives in our present war, and with the coming invasion, the Red Cross will need even more.
Any employe who would like to be a blood donor may fill in a registration blank, which is available in the First Aid Room of both Plants.
If there are any questions you would like to have answered, feel free to come in and talk with your Nurses.

ARGUS PROFILES

By H. J. R.

"RED"



Myron Edward Conway

Small, peppery, red-headed Irishman, head of Stock Room and Salvage, Plant 1. Born in Stevens Point, Wisconsin, in 1893. Other memorable events of that year: Opening of the Columbian Exposition, or World's Fair, Chicago. It is not true that he was exhibited at the Fair in the Fall of the same year. Has been intermittently associated with this Company since 1929. Previous to this, worked as assembly room foreman at the Lullaby Furniture Company, Stevens Point, Wisconsin. Served thirty-seven months, twelve days as a bugler in World War I. Was stationed at Eastley and Southampton, England. Reactions of the inhabitants of these cities have not been ascertained up to the time of going to press. Stoutly affirms that he turned in his bugle to the War Department and that he doesn't use it to herald himself in and out Plant 1. Denies that the sounds he makes in Plant 1 are closely associated with bugling. Has been married twenty-five years, lives at 825 South Main. His wife, Mrs. Beulah Conway, works in Optical Assembly, Plant 2. States his favorite pastime is matching for dollar bills, and claims he has made \$3,482.00 this way. Surveys in Plants 1 and 2 substantiate this. Swears emphatically that he likes root beer and pepsicola. Swears emphatically. Favorite quotations: (A), (B) and (C). "??*!!!"

Dept. 17-R News

This is the time of the year when most roller skates are seeing action. Has anyone a pair to spare? Ed Nimke surely needs them badly with the RC line starting up. We are afraid the soles on his shoes are worn thru already or perhaps someone could give a shoe stamp for a worthy cause.

Mary Watson is busy this week entertaining WAC Corp. Bernadine Wheeler. Bernadine is home on leave from Fort Williams, Maine. Her home was in Chelsea before entering the service.

What was it that said, "Bubbles are made from soap and water",

Paul Eugene said he wasn't around Michigan when there were Indians. Nevertheless, he was nearly scalped last week. Ask him about it.

After holding the lucky ticket on the lace tablecloth raffled off in the Rest Room, Marian Poquette has a new nickname—"Lucky Poquette." Lucky says thanks to all who donated on it.

Mary Dobransky has a three weeks' leave of absence. But we are afraid Mary isn't having very much rest. Mary's mother has had an operation and is back home from the hospital. We all wish Mary's mother a speedy recovery. Also, Brother Joie was home on furlough, and Boy Friend Pvt. Floyd Nelson, from South Carolina, is home on leave. Boy, Mary, you surely have been busy. Hurry back to the Dials, they are calling.

Does anyone need some novel entertainment for their parties, Anyone in the Dept. can vouch for three charming ladies. Joy Hartman, Mary Tucker and Mary Watson sure can do all kinds of acrobatics, adagio, or what have you. They will slay you in five minutes. You're O. K., girls!

Marion Poquette entertained the girls of the department at her home Friday, May 12. The occasion was a house warming party in honor of her new home. We had a wonderful time, as we always do at Marion's parties.

Diplomacy is the art of letting someone else have your way.

Here and There With Material Control

Material Control, Cost Accounting and Personnel departments picnicked out at Mr. Hiscock's cottage the evening of May 26th.

It was an informal affair and was held in Les Schwanbeck's honor who is leaving for the Navy. It was very much of a surprise for Les, who didn't have the least suspicion, as he helped to plan the picnic and also made the arrangements. He was presented with a Navy duffle bag fitted with toilet articles, a shoe shine kit, utility apron and a money belt with some petty cash.

Some of the employees were accompanied by their husbands and others were accompanied by their wives. Among them were: Mrs. J. Clemens, Mrs. R. Ward, Mrs. R. Hiscock, Mrs. Schwanbeck, Mrs. R. Warren, Mr. C. Wight, Mrs. J. Covey and Mr. and Mrs. E. Schuman.

The youngest guest was Sally Ann Ward, 3½ months old, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. Ward.

A sumptuous meal was spread out, the sight of which made everyone's mouth water. It included potato and tuna fish salads, deviled eggs, pickles, olives, radishes and potato chips and also plenty of piping hot, freshly roasted hot dogs prepared by our chief cook, Mr. Hiscock.

After the meal everyone participated in some of the games which were started, such as: baseball, horse-shoe pitching, croquet and also bridge. There were even a few in the crowd who were brave enough to go swimming. Maybe it was to get away from the mosquitoes. Others, on the other hand, sang old and new tunes, accompanied by Mr. Schuman and his accordion.

Everyone had an enjoyable time that evening and if there were any sore muscles the next morning, it probably was overlooked, for it was really worth the time and the effort spent in giving our friend Les a grand send-off for the Navy.

Dept. 28 News

The department had two birthdays since the last Argus Eyes. Laura Egeler's was April 27 and Marjorie Young's was May 15. We wanted Marjorie to try her gift on, but she was too bashful.

If your hat gets blown off as you pass Raw Inspection, it won't be the wind. It will be Marjorie Parke sneezing. Anyone know a sure cure for hay fever?

We are happy to have Gert Haines with us. Most everyone knows her husband, who is in the Service. Paul used to work in the stock room. Hope you enjoy being with us, Gert.

Did you see Doris Layer with her up-sweep hair-do? Wasn't it stunning? Laura and Marjorie Parke tried it, too, but the weather got cool, so down it came.

The girls got a chance to see one of the cocker spaniels that Amanda Alber raises. Doris got one for her mother for Mother's Day and had it brought in so we could see it. He was so cute we would like to have kept him for a mascot.

Ann Letsis is on a long leave. Hope she gets all rested up.

Mary Temple gets all kinds of advice from the girls. She is going to be married in June. Wonder if she is still as anxious to tie the knot as she was before she got all this good advice.

Leola Stoner, Nina Walterhouse, Mary Temple and Laura Egeler went on a spree one night. They had dinner together, took in a movie and finished up the evening with a few cold ones. Try it some time, girls, it breaks up the monotony of a routine life.

Our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Flick on their marriage. Ralph used to work in our department.

Cards of Thanks

My sincere and grateful thanks to each and everyone of you who were so generous in presenting me with such a lovely table and silver cup. I was simply delighted and can't tell you how much I appreciate your kindness and thoughtfulness.

Sincere regards,
Muriel Bradley.

I wish to express my family's deep appreciation for the flowers which the Argus Club sent as an expression of sympathy for the loss of our mother.

Maurice F. Doll.

Waitress (looking at nickel tip left by the close guest): "What ya trying to do, seduce me?"

He that falls in love with himself will have no rivals.

Another Gold Star Added to Our Service Record

Sgt. Jack W. Hentz, 23, son of Mr. and Mrs. Max R. Hentz, of 836 S. Main St., was killed in action March 19, 1944, in the North African area, according to official word received from the war department by his parents.

According to the official notice, the report was received from the German government through the International Red Cross.

Sgt. Hentz was a second engineer and aerial gunner with the Army Air Force. He was believed to have been overseas since February.

He enlisted December 29, 1941. His stations in this country included Fort Custer, Jefferson Barracks, Mo., Keisler Field, Miss., where he was graduated from the B-24 Liberator Bomber Mechanics School, Alamordo, N. M., and Harlington, Texas, where he attended gunnery school. Prior to his enlistment, Jack worked in Dept. 34 of the Optical Division.

Dept. 24 News

Florence Schwemmin is wearing a big smile these days, seeing she is the proud owner of a riding horse. People can hear Florence saying Gidda Yap "Knight," instead of "Ho Ho, Silver." Her big problem is finding a gentleman to help her on the horse or will someone donate a step ladder? He's a beauty, Flossie.

Margie Warner is planning on a trip to North Carolina, June 2nd, to see 2nd Lt. Lloyd Steeb. Is it just a visit, Marge?

Bennie Kearney was really surprised on May 19th with a birthday party. Bennie found out she could miss a lot, as the party was planned right under her nose. Many more surprises and happy birthdays, Bennie.

Something new has been added! Thelma Livesay is with us now. Her first day here she sat by the door so she could get out in a hurry if she didn't like the department, but now she knows us and can be found in the far corner of the department. Glad to have you with us, Thelma!

Kelly is doing a fine job on the 5th Bond drive. That's the spirit, Kelly!

"And how do you like your new radio, Scotty?"

Scotty S.: "Mon, it's good! But the wee light's hard tae read by."

Harry M.: "I miss the old cuspidor since it's gone."

Peggy O.: "You missed it before, that's why it's gone."

Happy Trio



Nine-year-old Bruce at the left and six-year-old Richard (Dicky) at the right are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. Myron M. (Rocky) Rockman. The child in the center is a neighborhood playmate. The husky, good-looking Rockman youngsters both attend Bach school. "Rocky" is manager of the Timekeeping and Payroll department.

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Camera Club
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The above pictures were taken at the Camera Club's Studio during a recent meeting when the older members gave instruction in the use of the Argoflex to the enthusiastic younger camera fans and club members.

Reading from top to bottom, first picture, left to right: Maxine Wichman, Eddie Girvan, Helen Balhoff. Second picture, left to right: Jan VanDenBroek, Viola Curtis, Marie Nagel. Third, left to right: Alice Kerr, Helen Balhoff, Joe Dianetti.

The Camera Club would like to take this opportunity to thank Tex Williams for the excellent job he did in getting the organization started. Unfortunately, Tex has found it necessary to resign as Chairman, due to a change of circumstances which result in his not being able to give the Club the time required to do what he considers a good job.

At the May 11th meeting, Norm Hartman was elected Chairman and the following committees were appointed:

The Darkroom Committee: John Poeton, Erv. Domzal, Pat Abbott, Tex Williams.

The Ways and Means Committee: Dick Wilson, Dick Kroll.

The Program Committee: Bill Patton, Jan VanDen Broek, Vernon Peterson.

The Camera Club's darkroom is now finished and equipped with two enlargers, trays, contact printers, film tanks, developing trays and a print dryer, and is at the disposal of all club members and can be used by making arrangements with John Poeton.

The Company has made it possible for the Club to use some cameras for in-

Her First Print



Marie Nagel, from Dept. 39, who is a Camera Club member, is very proud of this first print she made. It is of her daughter, Margaret. She has an Argus A-3 camera and used 35 mm. Plus X film.

Dept. 19-B News

We extend our sympathy to John Kenne, who was called to Ohio on the death of his father.

Everyone will surely miss Effie Whisenhut and her Texas drawl. We wish you luck, Effie, and hope you will return to "good old Argus" later on.

There are quite a few new faces in this department. We welcome everyone of you.

Julia War received a telephone call from her husband, Noble, one day last week. The reason he hasn't written is because he broke his collar bone. Noble, as you know, is stationed at Camp Crowder, Mo. Julia says that his shoulder is practically healed and he expects to have all the tape off soon. Noble teaches Judo and Jujitsu two hours each day, and also drills the platoon twice a week. He finishes his Basic Training June 17 and will then go into Special Training. Julia expects him home for a few days about the middle of August.

We extend our sympathy to Laurene Clinton on the death of her mother.

Johnny Albertson did a pretty good job of being boss during John Kenne's recent absence.

A birthday party was given for Mamie Fisher Monday, May 22, by her host of friends of Plant 1. She was presented with a nice gift, and late in the afternoon a beautiful bouquet of carnations was delivered to her. Cake was served in the cafeteria.

Mrs. Fisher wishes to thank all the kind friends for the wonderful party and the presents given her. She says it makes her feel one year younger instead of older.

We wish to congratulate Rita Trudeau, who was married May 20 at St. Thomas Church. She will return to work after a three-weeks' honeymoon. Loads of luck and happiness, Rita.

The marriage bug must have bit Lorraine Bothman, too. She returned to work one Monday morning a Mrs. Norman Gross. Congratulations, Lorraine, and lots of luck and happiness.

If a girl doesn't watch her figure, the boys won't.

structing new members in the proper way of taking pictures. After a short business meeting on May 25th, the balance of the program was spent taking pictures, and instructions. The new members are learning fast and in a short time will be making their own prints.

We believe, with the interest created by the new members and those who have had a little training, we can bring the Club up to a standard soon that will enable us to have a traveling exhibit and also exchange ideas with other clubs.

The Program Committee is spending a lot of time preparing programs that will be instructive and interesting. An outing is being planned, but the date is not set. More about this at the next meeting.

EMPLOYEE RATING PLAN

All of us, every day, are being judged or "rated" by our friends, fellow-workers, and our superiors. You "rate" others—and you form your opinion of them from your judgment.

There are a number of reasons why rating is important to you in connection with your job. Your work rating affects you in a number of ways. It is an important factor in:

1. Promotion to a better job.
2. Recognition of the progress you make in learning to do your job well.
3. Job security if reduction in working force becomes necessary (this work rating is referred to as skill, efficient service, and ability on Page 19 of the Employee Manual).

Because your work rating is so important to you, we are establishing a procedure of systematically rating employees once every three months. This will give you the protection of a clear-cut work history record over a period of time. Without a systematic plan of rating, snap judgments cannot help but occur.

Reproduced below is the form that has been adopted, after careful consideration and study.

Ratings will be held in confidence, as a part of your personnel record. If your foreman feels your record is outstanding, he'll give you a good "pat on the back"—and if it falls below normal, he will tell you how to improve your weak points. If you have any questions about your progress, feel free to talk the matter over with your foreman.

R. D. HOWSE, President.

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EMPLOYEE RATING SHEET

Name _____ Date _____
Job _____ Department _____

Factor	Please check one:		
	Above Average	Average	Poor
Quality of work	30	15	0
Quantity of work	30	15	0
General attitude	10	5	0
Versatility	10	5	0

To be filled in by Personnel Department:

Absenteeism (for last 3 months)	1 day or less 10	1 1/2 - 3 days 5	3 1/2 days or more 0
Tardiness (for last 3 months)	3 times or less 10	4 - 6 times 5	7 or more times 0

Total points _____

Is this employe suitably placed? _____

Remarks: _____

Foreman

What It Takes

"What is the secret of success?" asked the Sphinx.

"Pull," said the corkscrew.

"Push," said the button.

"Take pains," said the window. z z

"Always keep cool," said the ice.

"Keep your temper," said the drill.

"Be up to date," said the calendar.

"Never lose your head," said the barrel.

"Make light of everything," said the fire.

"Find a good thing and stick to it," said the glue.

"No absenteeism," said the Argusite.

Definition of marriage: When bushels of kisses are reduced to little pecks.

Herman: "How is it you don't like the girls?"

Darold: "Oh, they're too biased."

Herman: "What do you mean biased?"

Darold: "It's bias this and bias that, until I'm broke."

Once there was a Sailor named PRACTICE. He met a girl named PERFECT.

"She's as pretty as a picture!"
"Yes, nice frame, too!"

Eloquent

"Do you think the senator puts enough fire into his speech?"

"My opinion is he did not put enough of his speech into the fire."

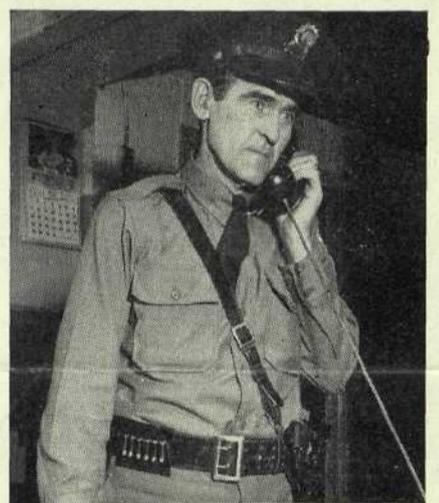
PLANT PROTECTION

The Plant Protection guard force was organized on December 8, 1941, under the direction of Mr. Earl Allmand and Byron Aldrich. By had just been released from active duty with the Army of the United States and his several years' training in the Army and previous experiences with various Police and Fire Departments fully qualified him for the job.

The first guard force comprised 22 men, whose prime duty was the protection of the facilities and employees against fire, sabotage and all subversive acts against the Government. Each man is sworn into the Army of the United States as an Auxiliary Military Policeman and, while on duty, they are subject to military law and discipline. They receive training in fire protection, use of firearms, how and where to watch for sabotage, and in all phases pertinent to the job. In the event of an emergency concerning the protection of Government property, their authority supersedes any local or state law enforcement department.

Most of their training was given to them by Captain Aldrich and the Company enjoys the distinction of having one of the best guard forces in this area. Captain Aldrich was recalled to active duty and served about seven months in England and received thorough training in air raid work with the National Fire Service of England. He was again released and returned to Argus, Incorporated, as Superintendent of Plant Protection and Safety.

The Company has indeed been most fortunate in that they have not had any interruptions caused by fire or sabotage and full credit can be given to the men on the job twenty-four hours a day and seven days a week.



Captain By Aldrich
Cornelius Fox—Sgt. Charles Dresschel
Cpl. Harry Letsis

Cpl. Lyle Baker—Chas. B. Burger
Virginia Buss—Harry Smith

Chas. Smith

General Accounting News

Iva Covert is having a month's leave of absence and is visiting her husband in Denver, Colorado. Bill worked in Bendix Dept. and is now with the Air Corps Ground Crew.

Mary Frances Womack has just returned from visiting her finance, who is stationed at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, with the Marine Corps.

Guards

"By" Aldrich and Sgt. Dreschel attended a safety meeting in Detroit, May 25 and 26, at the Book-Cadillac Hotel. We hope you learned a lot of things, boys.

Is it "Jeanne with the light brown hair?"—Guard Hearn?

Our gentleman farmer, Guard Burger, is making hay while the sun shines.

You will hear from this department in the future.

Our Slogan—Let's Co-operate.

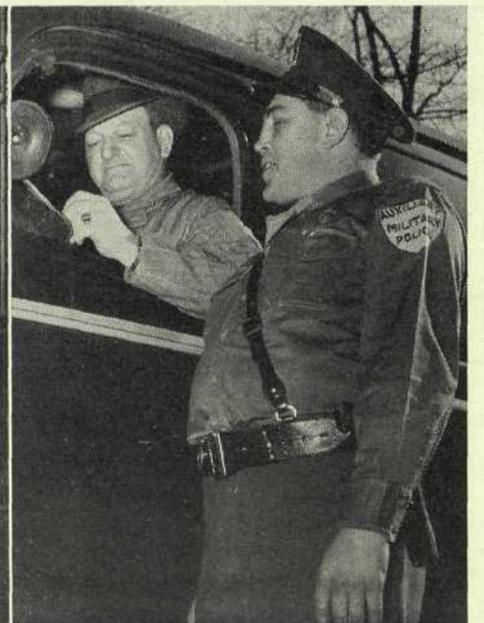
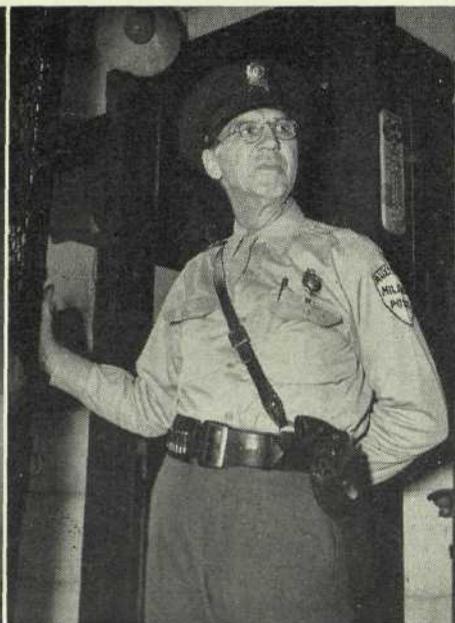
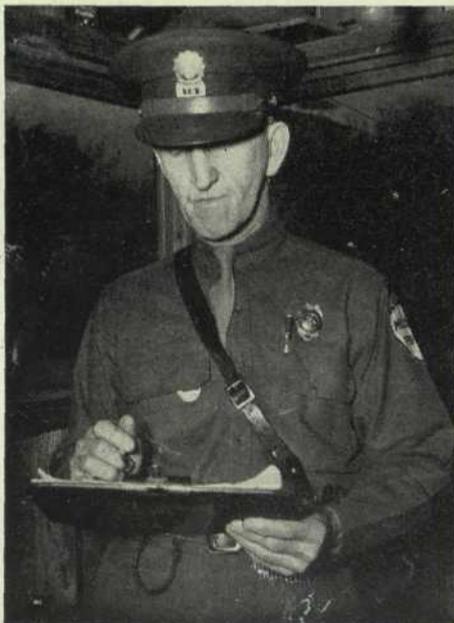
I see no evil,
I hear no evil,
I speak no evil,
Boy, am I a sissy!

A good husband is one who feels in his pockets every time he passes a mailbox.

Argus Eyes for Victory.
Dear Friends:

Received the Argus Eyes yesterday, and it sure looked good to see some of the old gang again. I won't bother you with a lot of stuff that you must hear every day, but just wanted you to know that the paper sure looked good. It's not Cpl. Ward now—just plain Pvt. Thanks a lot for the paper and keep it coming.

By now,
Pvt. Noble W. Ward.



Joe Pettit

Edgar Fowler

Gus Schmidt

Paul Stotts (Truck Driver)
Clarence Bross

ARGUS, INCORPORATED

Fourth & William Streets

Ann Arbor, Michigan

TO ALL EMPLOYEES OF ARGUS:

CONGRATULATIONS ON A TREMENDOUS JOB WELL DONE. YOUR PRODUCTION EFFORT ON TRANSMITTER RC-186 FOR MONTH OF MAY CONSTITUTES ONE OF FINEST PERFORMANCES OF ANY SIGNAL CORPS SUPPLIER. THESE EQUIPMENTS ARE NEEDED OVERSEAS AT ONCE. SIGNAL CORPS EXTENDS ITS DEEP APPRECIATION FOR ALL YOU HAVE DONE.

Colonel Hannah, Commanding Officer

Dayton Signal Corp, U.S. Army

WELL DONE... IN TIME

EDITOR'S NOTE: Next month the full story of this fine achievement by the Radio Division of Argus, Incorporated, may be told. Until then, with the immense importance of D-day unfolding hour by hour, we can rest assured that the long hours on the production line were not in vain, and we can feel intensely gratified that we delivered these vital instruments on time.

Industry—Quick Change Artist

If you were suddenly asked to change all your habits overnight, and develop all the attributes and the skills of some other person, it would probably strike you as a highly difficult task.

But that's what has happened to a large number of American companies as a result of the defense program. More important, they've succeeded in accomplishing the job set for them—and doing it in truly astonishing fashion!

This is the situation: When the defense program got under way, American industry was not equipped to make weapons for defense. It had been devoting itself practically exclusively to the manufacture of products to raise the peacetime standard of living. As a result, under the pressure of our new national needs, many companies were faced with the sudden and novel task of changing over rapidly

to the making of entirely new kinds of goods.

The way in which the change-over was effected will stand as one of the truly remarkable stories of our times.

In a flash, wooden "taps" for shells suddenly started coming from a plant that had been making wooden spindles; makers of sewing machines turned to the production of pistols; a maker of lingerie began weaving mosquito netting; a linoleum factory went into production on making shells; a typewriter factory, machine guns; a tobacco machinery plant, diesel engines; a lipstick maker, shell casings; and a lawn mower company, fuses. All over the country, changes like these are being made with a minimum of fuss and feathers.

Industry has proved two things in these myriad cases. First, it has shown the adaptability and the ingenuity of free men using their own intelligence. Second, it has shown its very real patriotism in forgetting about the "easy way" and doing what is best for the national security.

Both demonstrations do the heart good.

The Oath of a Free Man

I (A. B.) being by God's providence an Inhabitant, and Freeman, within the jurisdiction of this Commonwealth; do freely acknowledge my self to be subject to the Government thereof; And therefore do here swear by the great and dreadful Name of the Ever-living God, that I will be true and faithful to the same, and will accordingly yield assistance and support thereunto, with my person and estate, as in equity I am bound; and will also truly endeavor to maintain and preserve all the liberties and privileges thereof, submitting my self to the wholesome Lawes & Orders made and established by the same. And further, that I would not plot or practice any evil against it, or consent to any that shall so do; but will timely discover and reveal the same to

lawfull Authority now here established, for the speedy preventing thereof.

Moreover, I doe solemnly bind my self in the sight of God, that when I shall be called to give my moyce touching any such matter of this State, in which Freemen are to deal, I will give my vote and sufferage as I shall judge in mine own conscience may best conduce and tend to the publike weal of the body, without respect of persons, or favour of any man. So help me God in the Lord Jesus Christ.

(From the Louis Allis Messenger.)

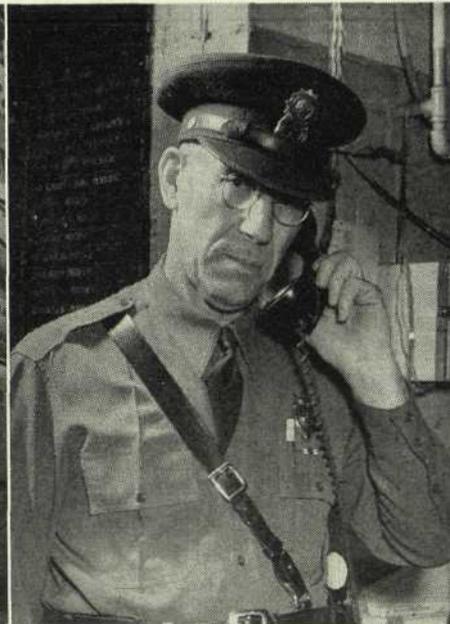
Mrs. Thomas of Argus Cafeteria: "Oh, I know you—you're one of the three tramps I gave pie to last spring."

Tramp: "That's right, ma'am, I'm the sole survivor."

Detroit buses have a new motto: "The Public be Jammed."



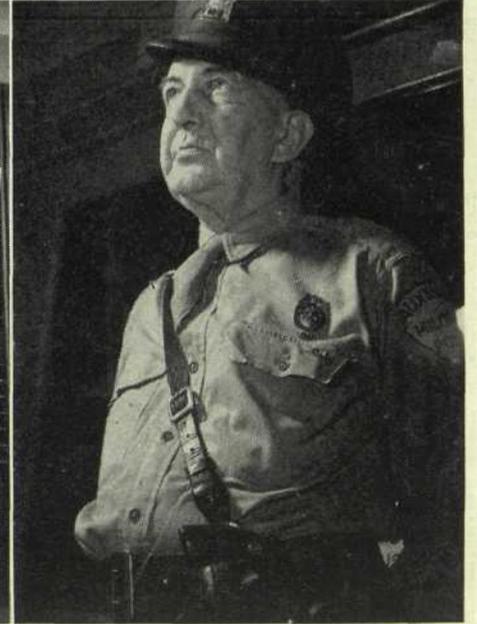
Mac Hearn



James Munday



Henry Conley



Fred MacPherson



Laura Egeler, Supervisor

RECEIVING INSPECTION

Requirements of girls in Receiving Inspection are many and varied. They must know how to check with blue-prints and precision gauges and instruments, all the parts used in our production. They must also know the different types of plating and whether it is acceptable or not, how to dispose of good and reject parts and numbers other things that keep our production going.

This is a serious, but happy group. They have a party for every birthday that comes and nine of them belong to the Ladies' Bowling League.

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Mrs. Egeler has been with the Company almost thirteen years. She has a son in the U. S. Army.



Ann Letsis and Gertrude Haines



Lillian Stutzman and Nina Walterhouse



Doris Layer and Amanda Alber



Dora Eugene and Leola Stoner



Marjorie Young and Mary Temple



Sally Kneiper, Marjorie Parke and Clara Schallhorn

SECRETARY TO THE PRESIDENT



Catherine Rosborough

Mrs. Rosborough is the new Secretary to our President, Robert D. Howse. Although new to Argus, she is a long-time resident of Ann Arbor and formerly worked for University Microfilms as Executive Secretary to the owner of that firm. Mrs. Rosborough was born in Aberdeen, Scotland. She was seven when she came to America, and so remembers little about 'auld lang syne,' but there is a kindly, humorous Scotch-Irish twinkle in her eyes, which reveals her native heath. Mr. Rosborough is in Construction-Maintenance Department of Willow Run, and they make their home at 2800 Brockman Blvd. Welcome to Argus, Catherine, and may you like us as much as we already like you.

Ann inspects a lot of the camera parts. She is a very talented singer and cuts a fine caper on the dance floor. Gert is a newcomer in the department, but it seems she has been here a long time, because she is such a good inspector. She is helping her husband, Cpl. Paul Haines, win the war.

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Lillian also can be proud of a record. She has never been tardy in her three and a half years with Inspection. Nina has been in the department only a short time, but has proven herself one of the gang. Lillian is inspecting dial windows for light leaks and Nina is watching for any cracks she may find. They also check camera lens in milimeters.

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Doris was a radio tester in the days before the war and has been in Inspection three and a half years. Amanda has been here eleven years. She raises pedigreed dogs as a sideline. Both girls can use any kind of precision instrument and gauge in the department. Amanda has a son in the Navy.

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Dora checks all the knobs used on our units. She has never worked before and has learned a lot since joining Receiving Inspection.

Leola is the Group Leader. She has worked for the Company seven years. Leola inspects anything and everything that comes into the department and keeps things moving to the stock room and the platers. She is a busy girl and is a great help to the department.

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The glamor gal on the wall isn't the only one in the department, as you can see. Tiny Marjorie and Mary work and smile together as they carefully inspect the bevel gears used in our assemblies. Mary is a talented singer and dancer. She is taking the big step sometime in June, when Sgt. William Raymond comes home to claim her as his bride.

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Marjorie is a faithful worker, having been with us three and a half years.

Clara has been here about three years and has never been tardy. Sally and Marjorie say they haven't been tardy either, much. These girls also check bevel gears and centerless, ground shafts, besides many other parts. Sally has been here almost three years and Marjorie a year.

"NEW LAMPS FOR OPAL"



To Opal Sloane, who has left to join her husband at Aberdeen in OCS

The girls in Accounting want you to know,
You have our best wishes today as you go.

Here's Gerry, Jessie and Dorothy three,
Peeking around so they can see.
Millie sits holding the box at her knees,
As you gracefully pull out the lamp with ease.

Jeanne and Clem stand alongside of you,
Mrs. L. G. would like those dolls, too.
Maddy sits on the desk rather hes'tant;
Frannie and Katie could not be present.

May all in the future with you go well:
This poem is corny—it sounds like Hell.

Here and There Around
Optical Assembly

(No. 1 Dept.)

By Fearless, Jr.

Isabell came in with a stiff neck the other day and decided to call up a friend of hers who just had an operation. She soon found out that she had the wrong number as a nice masculine voice said, "Sorry, lady, this is the graveyard." Isabell said, "I may be stiff, but I'm not stiff enough for that yet!"

Who is the girl who found a new way to wash feet?—even if it's "unavoidably" so. (I'll never tell.)

It was found through experience that there is a lot of GOOD musical talent in a certain section of Optical Assembly. Or, is there more yet? Who knows, maybe time will tell!

Why are the mirrors in O. A. so clean and shiny. Is it because all the girls are trying to imagine what they will look like in a Spar's neat uniform?

Sooo, you gals want to take up horse-back riding? Well, I suggest you consult with Lois Conkey first, as evidently she has had a lot of experience. What say, "Loie," all kidding aside, though we're glad you're O. K.

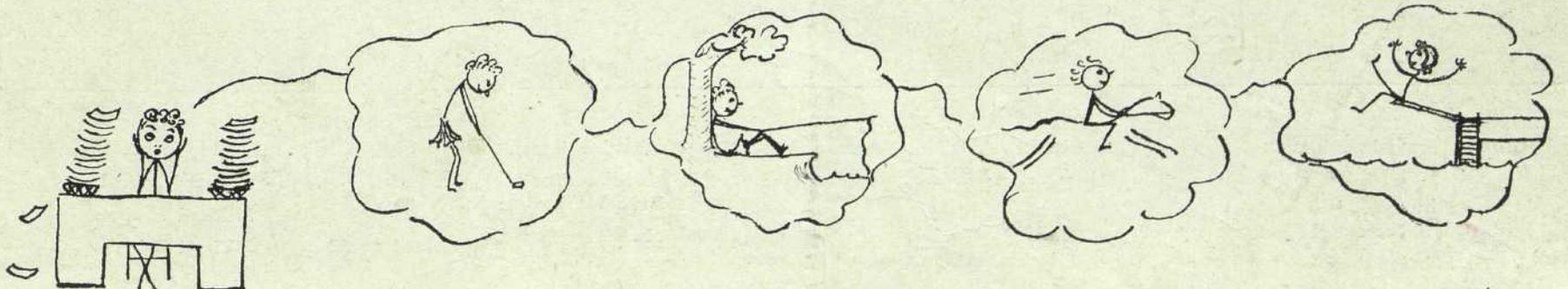
The person I envy is the fellow who can stay up all night and have only one hour's sleep and come into work fit as a fiddle and looking rested as you please. Believe it? I do, 'cause I've seen it!

Let's all keep smiling and remember, "Life Can Be Beautiful."



Madeline Smith

Miss Smith, formerly of our Priorities Dept., is now working in General Accounting, where she is a stenographer. She is a graduate of Lake Linden High School, Class of '43, and lives with her sister and brother-in-law here, Dr. and Mrs. L. S. McCleery. Madeline has two brothers in the Armed Forces; one has been on active duty in the South Pacific Submarine Service for over a year, and the other is in Navy Training in Florida. There could be another reason why this charming young lady has more than a patriotic interest in D-Day. Welcome to Accounting.



Barb.

PLANT 2 OPTICAL PRODUCTION SERVICE



Clifford Travioli, Foreman
 Capers Wilson
 Hiram Read
 Harold Morehead
 Myrtle Bird
 William Clemons

Merton Olufson, Assistant Foreman
 Frederick Mowry
 Fred Belser
 Rollie Ranson
 Elmer Myers

Ward Peterson
 William Booth
 Ruth Wackenhut
 Madeline Shawn
 Samuel Knisely
 John Lochey

Roy Hoyer
 Edward Hutzal
 Mildred Henson
 Virgil Brian
 Paul Stotts
 Arthur Alderman

Brothers



Frederick Louis Doll, four and a half, and 16-months-old Bruce Edward Doll bear a striking family resemblance, which is only natural, for they are brothers. Their parents are Mr. and Mrs. Maurey Doll. Maurey is in Engineering, Plant 1. Frederick obviously has aspirations toward a Navy career. We are not quite so sure about young Bruce, but if he has made up his mind, it looks as though he leans toward the Commandos.

Machine Shop, Plant 2

In remembrance of Helen Brazee's birthday, Ruby Gunderman entertained by giving a small dinner. The guests were Donna Jean Rice, Lucille Brazee and Helen Brazee. A good time was had by all.

What is this we have on Pontiac Road?? It's quite an attraction. There seems to be a Victory Garden. But only one man and two girls! No wonder "HE" looks tired!

What happened to all the Wolves in the Machine Shop?

Looks like somebody is going out for sun baths this summer. The excuse for it was playing golf.

The Machine Shop welcomes a new member to its circle. Her name is Florence Rebecca Thomas (Becky to you). She hails from Tennessee. Hope you'll like us, Becky.

Going Home

By Helyn Ebright

Oh, to be going home
For a week-end in July;
Why doesn't the train go faster,
Dear, if we could only fly.

The gang'll be there to meet us
With the ancient Model T.
Covered with banners of welcome,
All for you and me.

We'll stop at the drug on the corner
And have a coke or two,
And exchange tales of excitement,
And romances old and new.

Then we'll spin out to the farm
To see mother and dad;
Who are waiting with outstretched arms
and tears. They are so glad.

Success is the ability to get along with some people, to get along without some people, and to get ahead of some people.



"LOOK, DEAR, THE JONESES ARE NEGLECTING THEIR VICTORY GARDEN—HERE ARE THOSE PEAVINES AGAIN!"

Dept. 27 News

We are very happy to welcome Lois Greer into our midst again after being away for almost one year.

Gee! Freda Thompson sure is lucky in living so near to our company. She can get up at seven bells and still punch in on time, or don't you mind getting up in the morning, Freda?

We really have home talent in our department—painters, farmers, fishermen, bakers, cooks and dressmakers. Anybody want their land plowed, house painted, cake baked or summer outfit made, please call extension 26. We are ready—and willing.

Leona Eichel will enter the William Randolph Hearst shooting match again this year as a member of one of the women's team from Ann Arbor. Each team is composed of members of the Washtenaw County Women's Auxiliary of the sheriff's department. The match will be held June 4 in Detroit.

Ruth O'Hare is enjoying a week's vacation at home and no doubt time is flying for a busy gal like Ruth.

Eulala Miller and family had a very nice trip to Kentucky several weeks ago to visit her husband's folks and take her brother-in-law, Tech. Sgt. Sam Miller, back home. Sam was here on furlough before going to Kentucky and visited with many of his friends here at Argus.

Pearl Kelly has been added to our group of Department employees, and we are hoping she will like being one of our gang.

Anything worth having is never cheap. God has no bargain counters for even His poor and weak. It hurts to fall down, but it strengthens us to pick ourselves up. L. H. Talbot.

Keep your heart free from hate; your mind from worry. Live simply; expect little, give much; sing often; pray always. Fill your life with love; scatter sunshine; forget self, think of others. Do as you would be done by. These are the tried links in contentment's golden chain.—McLeod.

No Oil Shortage Here

"This lady says you tried to speak to her at the station!"

"It was all a mistake, your honor, I was looking for my roommate's girl, whom I had never seen before, but who had been described to me as a vivacious blonde with classic features, beautiful complexion, perfect figure, smartly dressed and—"

"I don't care to prosecute the gentleman. Anyone might have made the same mistake."

Truthful Report

It was 2 a. m. when the club telephone rang and a bachelor member answered it.

"Is my husband there?" demanded an angry feminine voice.

"No, he's gone home," was the reply.

"How do you know?" snapped the voice. "I didn't even tell you his name."

"You didn't need to," was the retort. "When this phone rang, every darned married man in the place grabbed his hat and ducked out."

Plant 1 Ladies' Bowling Banquet

Seventy-three girls attended the annual bowling banquet held at the American Legion on May 3rd.

The tables were very attractive with decorations of red, white and blue and the floral piece of snapdragons, thanks to the banquet committee. Rhea McLaughlin, chairman of her committee of three, Thelma Livesay, Virginia Meyer and Marie Smiley, did a fine job in making the banquet a success.

After the dinner the prize money was given out and names were drawn for the door prizes. Carrie Benke, Marian Poquette, Sally Kneiper, Leona Smith and Alice London were the winners.

A business meeting was then held for the election of new officers for next season. Those elected were: Rhea McLaughlin, President; Sally Kneiper, Vice-President; Frances Soderholm, Treasurer, and Laura Egeler, Secretary. Imagine our embarrassment when we had adjourned the meeting and found we had forgotten to give our swell past President her gift. I am sure Petie Exelby has forgiven us anyway. The floral piece was also given to her.

The dining room was cleared and the remainder of the evening was spent in dancing and entertainment. Music was furnished by several of the girls at the piano. Mary Temple entertained the group with several clever tap dances and Ann Letsis gave out with a little jitter-bugging. The famous Adagio team (I'm just fooling), Joy Hartman and Laura Egeler, gave the audience a thrill with their intricate steps and acrobatics.

So the bowling season ended and we hope we have as good a time next year as we did this one. See you next season. Laura Egeler.

Note of Thanks

The Argus Ladies' Bowling banquet committee of Plant 1 wish to thank Marie Barbier and Jimmy Barker for making possible the attractive team place cards that added so much to the table decorations. Jimmy made the design which cartoonist "Barb" carried out very effectively.

Dept. 18-C News

Donelda Murray has taken a month's leave because her husband, S/IC Norman Murray, is home on furlough after being on active duty in the South Pacific for seventeen months.

We wish to congratulate Evelyn Black, who became Mrs. Charles Ceransky May 9 at Gainesville, Texas. We wish you both much happiness.

Plant One Ladies' Bowling News

It is a little late to talk about bowling, but the season wasn't finished when the last "Argus Eyes" went to press. So, bowling is over for Plant One girls for another season.

A lot of good scores were bowled and a lot of bad ones, too, but we all had a good time anyway.

Thought you would like to see the swell prize list, so here 'tis. Thanks to Leigh Thomas for making it larger than it was.

1st place	Dials	\$62.00
2nd	Accounting	55.00
3rd	Paint Shop	49.00
4th (tie)	Cafeteria	36.50
5th (tie)	Inspection	36.50
6th	Engineering	35.00
7th	Planning	32.00
8th	Sales	29.00
9th	Victory	26.00
10th	Machine Shop	23.00
11th	Personnel	20.00
12th	Riveting	17.00

High team, single game, without handicap:
Paint Shop—802\$10.00

High team, single game, with handicap:
Planning—807 5.00

High team, 3 games, without handicap:
Inspection—2146 10.00

High team, 3 games, with handicap:
Engineering—2142 5.00

High individual game:
Leola Stoner—217..... 5.00

High individual, 3 games:
Dorothy Jacobus—545 5.00

Low game:
Marian Poquette..... 1.00

Most strikes in a row:
Mary Briggs and Verna Frost—5. 2.00

Most spares in a row:
Alma Fox—9 2.00

Girl raising average most:
Daisy Harmes—38 pins..... 2.00

Dept. 53 News

Mrs. Watterworth's Mary Jane now knows a man's best friend isn't always his dog. Mary Jane is awaiting the ten-day period required for possible rabid dog.

Mrs. Reata Wilkenson spent her week's vacation shinning up the homestead—which goes to show a woman's work is never done.

Girl Scout "Jackie" Bird did her good deed Saturday by being up bright and early selling poppies to Plant 2 employees.

THE POCKETBOOK OF KNOWLEDGE BY TOPPS

AMPHIBIAN "DUCKS", PRODUCT OF THE AUTOMOTIVE INDUSTRY, CAN CARRY BIGGER LOADS AFLOAT THAN ASHORE

THE MAGNETIC NORTH POLE IS ABOUT 14-00 MILES FROM THE GEOGRAPHICAL POLE

PARATROOPERS USE SERUM ALBUMIN FROM BLOOD PLASMA, WHICH GOES 6 TIMES AS FAR AS PLASMA

INDUSTRIAL INGENUITY DETECTS FLAWS IN 155-MM SHELLS BY RIDING SHELLS ON A MERRY-GO-ROUND ABOUT A ONE-MILLION VOLT X-RAY

ONE ALERT MANUFACTURER MAKES A MAP PAPER FOR THE ARMY WHICH WATER-SOAKING WILL NOT DAMAGE

Triplets



Jackie Shaffer, of our Sales Dept., is the photogenic young lady, and the kittens belong to "Argy," well-known character about Plant 1 and unofficial mascot of the whole Argus "family." We interviewed Argy in her main office opposite the entrance to Plant 1 Women's Lounge, but she refused to comment on the blessed events. Her nonchalant air and sly smile lead us to believe that she is covering up a perfectly natural family pride in her progeny.

My Birthday

Do I like birthdays? Sure, you bet. But I thought they were for the younger set, 'Til my birthday came, then I changed my mind. When the MN line asked me to dine.

I want to thank you girls so much For all of the hankies, cards and such. The dinner was swell in every way. Just how I can thank you, I really can't say.

Two lovely salads, potato and macaroni, Both were delicious and that's no boglony.

Celery, too, and deviled eggs Gave you added strength to stand on your legs.

Buns and jello made it complete, Except the cake, which was really a treat.

It was a masterpiece of its very own kind, A nicer cake I never could find.

An angle food all pink and white, It really was a gorgeous sight. I know it was six inches tall, Now I'm not fooling you at all.

It looked just like that candy fluff, You know what I mean—that carnival stuff.

It peeled right off like flakes of snow, And makes you want just mo' and mo'.

Well, let's call this to a cheerful end, And let me say as friend to friend—Thank you each and every one For the beautiful thoughts and all the fun.

—Leota Power.



"Beginning now, I deliver your paper to-day and salvage it to-morrow!"

Dept. 36 News

We are rightfully proud of that score which Catherine Miresse and Ted Tirb made in the mixed doubles tournament. Frances Gee, Edwin Clark, Charles Gerstler and George Olds are new members in our department. Welcome, fellow workers!

Have you noticed how Annabel's been fixing her hair lately? Wonder if it could be the new heart interest in the polishing room.

Marguerite Lockey wears a big smile these days. There's a special reason, though.

The latest reports are that Arlene Holtzman and Don H. are just about through feuding. We sure hope so.

Louise B. got that long looked-for letter that she's been expecting. Do you suppose Lewis knows about it?

Can it be that eating so many oranges gives Henry C. such a healthy color?

There was great commotion and Leonard and Bill H. certainly became excited one hot afternoon when a few of the girls who were wearing play-suits removed their skirts.

We like Irene V's feather cut, and so does Earl. Who do you think was the barber?

The shade of lipstick Mrs. Tirb wears was very nicely displayed by her son, Theodore, recently. Ted, are you sure it wasn't like that of a certain blonde?

Rumor says that Ross W. is campaigning against F. D. R. since he was photographed the other week.

It's amazing that Connie should take a solo trip to Buffalo. Why the sudden illness, Coonnie?

Fred Hartwig became the proud father of an 8-pound, 5-ounce son, by name, Frederick Richard, on May 15th.

Those shopping trips which Ralph R. makes to Detroit don't seem to be very successful. Maybe he goes to the wrong places.

We've been missing Fred Leeman, Bill Gillespie and Loren Lutz since they went into the service, but we know they have a job to do.

George Kennedy would make suite a bachelor, it seems, but he is surely glad when his wife's vacation is over.

Scratches caused Fred B. a lot of anxiety one morning, but that is only part of the story. Ask him what female was interested in how he polished lenses!

Celia hasn't been able to figure out which whistle in the grinding room sounds best. However, we understand that Chester does all right.

Speaking of sunburns, you've got to go some to beat that one Ross acquired. The problem is how he got it.

At the present, Harry Sparks is leading in the GI haircut race. However, Red and Ted should at least have honorable mention.

Stopped

He: "Say, whatever became of those old-fashioned gals who fainted when a boy kissed them?"

She: "Huh! Whatever became of the old-fashioned boy who made them faint?"

General Are Common

An executive of one of the service companies in Houston wishes to talk with the General Crude Oil Company office at Esperson Dome, so he requested his PBX operator to place the call. She, in turn, rang long distance and said:

"We want to talk with General Crude, at Esperson Dome."

The long distance operator replied, patiently, "What are the general's initials, please?"

Science

It was at Mount Wilson Observatory. A distinguished scientist was scanning the heavens through the huge telescope. Intent upon the sight, he remarked to his colleagues, without turning his head, "It's going to rain."

"What makes you think so?" queried a brother scientist.

Still peering at the heavens, the astronomer replied:

"Because my corn hurts."

I Am Argus

What's that? A Company? Nope. It's a man or a woman. It's a father, brother, son, daughter, mother.

It's a man running a lathe, in a factory building in Ann Arbor.

It's a girl typing a letter in an office.

It's a school teacher with five shares of stock teaching school in Podunk, Neb.

It's a man who's president of a company with almost a thousand people on the payroll.

It's a college graduate with his first job, anxious to make good.

It's a famous scientist, with honors by the score.

It's a toolmaker, die cutter, stenographer, engineer, salesman, electrician, home owner, citizen—it's me, ARGUS,

... a man or a woman, about nine hundred and ninety-nine of us.

YOU SURE ARE SOMETHING.

Where'd you come from?

I came from a little farm out West—my folks, they came from the old country.

I'm from the city myself.

Me? I'm from a little town in Tennessee.

BUT WHAT'S YOUR HURRY? WHERE ARE YOU GOING?

See that fellow there? He's manager of this whole ding-busted plant. I'm going to have his job someday.

Mary and I want to buy a little place in the country and settle down.

Mr. Jones doesn't believe there's a better way of doing this. I'm going to show him a few things.

Bill wants to go to college and I'd sorter like to see him get the chance.

SEZ YOU? HAVEN'T YOU HEARD OF A FELLOW NAMED HITLER?

We've seen people doubting, and we've seen people crying . . . BUT LET ME TELL YOU SOMETHING:

OUR COMPANY'S BIG

OUR COMPANY'S STRONG.

OUR COMPANY'S HELPING IN A

VITAL, IMPORTANT WAY TO WIN

THIS WAR.

See those trucks—they're loaded with optical fire control instruments that will be mighty influential in stopping the Axis.

See those crates waiting for shipment? They're heavy with stuff that helps to keep radio communications straight—stuff that ain't healthy for Hitler and Tojo's minions.

WHO TOLD YOU?

Nobody, but I make 'em.

AND WHO'D YOU SAY YOU WERE?

I AM ARGUS.

AND I AM PART OF AMERICA. A GREAT, BIG, FREE AMERICA

THAT WILL WIN THIS WAR.

Man

Man is still the world's most miraculous mechanism. In seventy years of life, a human being eats 1,400 times his body weight, over 100 tons of food, and he spends five full years putting food into his mouth. If his weight is average, every day of his life his heart beats 103,680 times, his blood travels 168,000,000 miles, he breathes 23,040 times, he inhales 438 cubic feet of air, gives off 85 degrees F. of heat and moves 750 major muscles; his nails grow 0.000046 inches, his hair 0.01714 inches—and he utters 4,800 words. The average person blinks 25 times a minute and scientists say each blink takes one-fifth of a second. Thus, if he averaged 40 miles an hour on a ten-hour motoring trip, he would drive over 25 miles with his eyes shut.

The body can take a lot of punishment and still keep on functioning. Man can get along fairly well, apparently, without his gall bladder, spleen, appendix and bladder. He can dispense with one kidney, two quarts of blood, half his brain and all his teeth and still live. And when he dies, he does not die all at once. The brain survives 10 minutes; eyes, 30 minutes; ears, 1 hour; blood molecules, 18 hours; bones, 3 days and skin, 5 days. —Kalends.

True Enough

One subject in the examination was: "Name two Indian tribes of the Southwest and give details as to their customs and habits."

The applicant wrote: "Two Indian tribes were the Casseroles and the Semicolons. They wore feathers in their customs and their habits was bad."

Zoology

Did you ever observe the quadruped? He wags a tail and has only one head, Two ears, two eyes, one mouth, one nose. And generally smells wherever he goes; He doesn't wear clothes, but he never minds— He has two fore legs in front and two behinds.

Guess Who?



What About Summer Vacation?

Mothers, are you wondering how to keep your youngsters happy and occupied during the long summer months when school is closed?

What about a couple of weeks at camp for Billy or Jane?

Or a supervised program of fun and games here in town?

Are you working? Worried about the children, and wishing there was some place you could send them for the day where they would be under supervision and at the same time have a good time?

The answers to these and many other problems may be found in a consultation with the Family and Children's Service. Mrs. Schreiber has all the information about summer camps and programs for children in and around Ann Arbor and in other parts of the state.

She will be glad to talk with interested parents at the office which is located in the Perry School, 330 Packard, any week-day between 8:30 and 5:00 P. M. The telephone number is 2-3157.

There is no charge for the information service.

A. C. Assembly News

Leona Ward tells us that her husband, Sgt. Athol Ward, who served in the plant protection force in 1942, is now stationed somewhere in England.

We understand that Swickerath is now working on project number 15—the lawn. Project number 14 being the recreation room in his basement, but still not completed. Which will it be, "Swick," a lawn party or the recreation room?

Husky Youngster



Douglas Arthur Gerstler will celebrate his second birthday next September 8, so you can see he is quite a lot of boy for only 21 months or thereabouts. Douglas is the son of Pvt. and Mrs. Arthur A. Gerstler. Pvt. Gerstler formerly worked in Plant 2 and is now in pilot's training at Sheppard Field, Texas. The grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Arthur E. Gerstler. "Grandpa" works in Dept. 24, Plant 1.