

# argus eyes for Victory!

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*Good Pictures*  
**FOR THE U.S.O.**

Argus takes pride in the fact that, while it is doing everything in its power to produce the weapons for Victory, it does not forget those who fight and the families who are waiting at home for them. With that in mind the Argus Camera Club, in cooperation with the U.S.O., supplies the necessary time and material to take and make pictures of those service men who happen to stop in at the Ann Arbor U.S.O.

On page 12 of this issue one of the finished cards is reproduced. On the reverse side, space is arranged for the written message which, as you may well guess, brings a lot of pleasure when the mother, wife or sweetheart receives the gift.



# "Argus Eyes" Celebrates Its 2nd Birthday

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.

### EDITORIAL STAFF

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The Representatives of each Department are responsible that the news of these Departments reach the desk of the Editor in the Advertising Department, Plant 1.

### COMMANDO KELLY



Sergeant Charles E. (Commando) Kelly stresses importance of Argus-made equipment in battle action.

A communication received from Mr. Emerson H. Rupert, Bureau of Public Relations, War Department, stated he felt certain Argus "employees would be particularly interested to know that Sergeant Kelly, winner of the Congressional Medal of Honor, mentioned the 57-mm. Anti-tank Gun and the 105-mm. Howitzer which you have helped to manufacture. He stressed the importance of this equipment in action making it possible for the infantry to move forward."

"The men and women of your company can feel that they have had a worthwhile part in the job of supplying the American fighting men with valuable equipment which is used in action every day."

The coveted Congressional Medal of Honor was awarded Commando Kelly for his bravery, and daring during the battles of Salerno, San Pietro, Rapido River and Cassino. Sergeant Kelly was a private first class at the time of his exploits, and at the time the citation for his award was prepared, he was a corporal.

### ATTENTION!

If your Department news does not appear in ARGUS EYES, it may be because it was lost in transit or was not sent over before the dead-line. This is no one person's fault. So-o-o, will you please help by making sure your envelope is addressed to CHAS. BARKER, No. 46.

The Editorial staff extends its warmest appreciation to everyone at Argus for their help and cooperation at the end of another successful year and on the second birthday of *Argus Eyes for Victory*.

The many letters which we have received from various parts of the world from men in all branches of the services, on every battle front, have made this a remarkable year by their expressions of appreciation of what Argus is doing for the war effort and the big part *Argus Eyes* has played in boosting their morale.

We feel justly proud that in the great victories of the past year and the advance of our troops into liberated countries that our paper has marched with them into Normandy after D-Day and into France, Belgium and Holland . . . in New Guinea and India, and the islands of the Pacific.

Jimmy Barker

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Homer Hilton wires us from Washington: "Congratulations on the second birthday of *Argus Eyes*. Keep up the good work."

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"Our most sincere congratulations to *Argus Eyes* on this your second anniversary.

"You have proven yourself to be a friend of all Argus employees, and like all good friends, we look forward to seeing you each month.

"May our friendship grow, and may we both be better for having had this companionship."

Maintenance Dept. 29  
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"*Argus Eyes* personifies true Democracy of a free people."

Walt Clawson



"Congratulations to *Argus Eyes* on its second anniversary. Many thanks to Jimmie Barker whose unfailing efforts have helped make the paper a success."  
 Optical Assembly

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"Congratulations to *Argus Eyes* on its second anniversary. May it and all the things it stands for live forever."

Naomi Knight

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"Congratulations on your second birthday. I hope that *Argus Eyes* with its message of cheer will always be with us."

Sadie Fisher

"There are many kinds of birthday greetings

To Mother, Father, Brother and Sis  
 But we don't believe there ever has been  
 Quite a greeting just like this  
 We want to wish the best of luck  
 To something good and wise  
 For future fun and happiness  
 To good old *Argus Eyes*."

Dept 28  
 Laura Egeler

### FLASH!

In line with all these congratulations on the second birthday of ARGUS EYES, we wish to extend our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. M. B. O'Neil (Eileen Adam) on the birth of a 7 lb. boy baby Tuesday, September 26th. at 4:00 A.M.

The spirit of fair play and friendliness has always been encouraged and held in the highest regard here at Argus.

Small things like our time honored custom of "flipping" to see who will buy the coffee at rest period; the pay-check pool, with the winner getting a war bond; a game of cards in a few minutes before time to get back to work—all these things mean a feeling of friendly informality and have never hurt anyone.

It is very difficult to draw the line to say when games of chance become serious gambling. However, it has come to our attention that in some cases, our employees are playing for large stakes. Both the worker and the company lose when this exists. Most of those playing lose large amounts of money, and we all suffer because our reputation as a good place to work is lost.

Therefore we must establish a company policy which allows no gambling games to be played on the premises. This policy protects employees' money (if anyone has too much money, we sincerely recommend the purchase of war bonds), and protects our reputation as a company. We all want to be proud to work at Argus.

R. D. Howse, President

## DIRECTIONS FOR REGISTERING

### WHO MUST REGISTER:

IF you have voted in Ann Arbor Township within the last 2 years, you are on the active list and need not register to vote.

IF you have voted in Ann Arbor in the past and have skipped 2 years you can phone in and be put on active list.

IF you have never voted in Ann Arbor you must go down and sign up.

### WHO CAN REGISTER:

IF you have lived in Michigan for the last 6 months.

IF you have lived in Ann Arbor for the last 20 days.

IF you will be 21 years old on or before Nov. 7. (general elections only.)

### WHEN:

At least 20 days before the election. Oct. 18 is deadline for Nov. 7 Federal elections.

### WHERE:

City clerk's office, City Hall—Huron and 5th St.  
 Weekdays—8 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
 Saturdays—8 a.m. to 12 noon.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis M. Ruffins, of 562 S. Seventh Street, have been notified of the death of their son, CPL. ALVIS ROLAND CRABB, who was killed in an airplane crash in Casablanca on August 26th.

Cpl. Crabb formerly worked for Bill Zoellner, in the Tool Room of Plant 1, and his Argus friends wish to extend their deepest sympathy to the family.

## Hang On!

If you think that you have failed,  
 Hang On!  
 If life's glow for you has paled,  
 Hang On!  
 If each thing you try to do  
 Turns out wrong and makes you blue,  
 Don a smile and follow through,  
 Hang On!

If the blue sky turns to gray,  
 Hang On!  
 If you weaken on the way,  
 Hang On!  
 If your plans don't go just right  
 When you try with all your might,  
 Knuckle down and start to fight,  
 Hang On!

Sometimes life's like bitter gall,  
 Hang On!  
 And you'd like to end it all,  
 Hang On!  
 One more day may change the tide;  
 Gloom and sorrow will have died;  
 You'll be glad and satisfied.  
 Hang On!  
 —Jimmy Lattimer

### Department 30

We can all relax now, the addition to the Pickering family has arrived at last. Her name is Patricia Ann, she weighed 9 lbs., 2 ozs. on arrival, August 17th. When George called daughter Harriet, age 5, to tell her about it, she who wanted a baby brother very much was silently thoughtful for some time before at last assuring her Dad that he could bring the new baby home.

"Doctor" Watson wishes it to be known that he has an extremely sensitive patient in Art Oakes. When boogie woogie and moaning torch singers upset him, it is Dr. Watson alone who administers the proper treatment. We who have watched the procedure wonder which could possibly be worse, the ailment or the cure.

Several of the men went up north to Fosters' cabin for the Labor Day weekend. Apparently fishing wasn't too good, although Mac caught a soo-o-o-o big pike which should have made the trip worth while. The highlight of the weekend was probably the breakfast Gordon cooked. All other meals were eaten at the tavern.

Bill Fike, Bill Fraser and George Pickering were in the group who went north. The day after returning to work George went home ill. He was absent for a day or so. Was it something you ate, George?

It's Christmas time for overseas mail and our girls have been very thoughtful about it. Delia is thinking of her brother who has been in France for some weeks now. Gerry's husband is also in France. He was recently flown there from England where he has been very busy in the Quartermaster Corps. It was his first ride in a plane, so that combined with all the things he saw made it a memorable trip. We know Gerry will be a good listener and a happy one when he comes back to tell her all about it.

Helen's Adolph is in Pearl Harbor. So she has double reason to remember it. You should sample the delicious cookies she sends him. We wish he would hurry and send her a grass skirt! She has some interesting souvenirs from the Islands now.

And a certain someone in Sardina is occupying Ruby's Christmas parcel thoughts.

J. C. Copeland, formerly of the machine shop now with a U. S. Army airborne tank unit came in to see us recently. He likes the Army and in spite of recent injuries, he looks as though the Army agrees with him.

The other day Clarence found a very dead rat in Frank Graham's machine. Could that be the reason for Frank's absence recently?

We have a vibration reducing outfit in the department . . . ask Ruby for a demonstration if it's still set up when this is printed.

Gordon Harvey may soon be leaving for the services. If he goes we certainly shall miss him and his quiet friendly smile.

Bruce is back, and with him he brought a number of interesting and useful souvenirs. Lucile is wearing a couple of them . . . an attractive wooden initial pin and a unique moss agate ring. Among the things he brought back were some very colorful beaded leather belts which were quickly purchased as soon as the girls saw them.

### GUARDS

Our receptionists, Gertrude Sutton and Polly Titus have been on the sick list. Glad to have you back, girls.

We have a new night guard, Wm. Carter, by name. Welcome to our department.

Who is Gus Schmidt's pin-up girl? I wonder!

## THE SAGA OF MORTIMER THE MOUSE

In case you're wondering—

Why *Argus Eyes* is introducing a new character (a mouse at that) to its readers, maybe this will give you a little background information, on one of the oddest cases in the annals of journalism.

It seems that Mrs. Gridley, Jimmy Barker's right hand gal, has a battered old typewriter. (All typewriters are supposed to be battered around a newspaper office—don't ask why). It clanks and clatters, and the letters are all crooked and smudged up (and when Woolson uses it, it won't even spell properly).

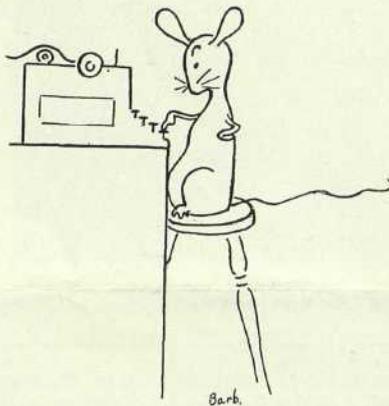
Well any way, one night—probably at the stroke of 12—the Office Mouse, having to borrow a typewriter quickly to write a letter to the Collector of Internal Revenue, climbed up to Mrs. G's battered old mill and attempted to explain away \$37.62 worth of deductions. He immediately encountered difficulty with the space bar, the margin release, etc. until finally in a burst of whatever it is mice burst with when they are angry, he typed out the following admonition to Mrs. G., and left it for her to find in the morning. Which she did.

read her note the next night, so he sat down and pecked out the little poem we're running in this month's issue. It's a sort of tear-jerker, and is generally considered by all who have read it to be pretty good propaganda for the Cause of the Poor Mice. But whatever morty's motive, it has resulted in a veritable plethora of poems by mort. Because, being a woman, (especially a married one) Mrs. G. is bound to have the last word and keeps writing notes back to morty. But mort, he don't (or doesn't) seem to mind at all. He just smiles in his sweet, sad little way and writes another poem and leaves it in Mrs. G's typewriter for her to find the next morning.

Not all of the poems are good—or even funny, (and occasionally they aren't even fit to print) but little morty keeps on grinding them out. So, we decided that people have talking dogs and singing mice on the radio, but no other newspaper until *Argus Eyes* has had a poetic mouse and so why wouldn't it be a good idea to run one good (and funny if possible) poem by morty every month.

So this is the first one and we hope

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on yr typritr wile u wus  
owt ov the offic & i  
on hrdly make it  
wrk rite  
y don't u mak  
ur boss  
get  
u  
a  
new one  
?  
mortimer the mouse



Of course most people don't believe that mice can write, especially one who has the effrontery to call himself Mortimer. (He spells it with a little "m" because he can't hit the shift bar and the letter at the same time—could you if you were a mouse?) Anyway, Mrs. G wrote a note right back to morty telling him to mind his own business, or words to that effect. (By that time, she had gotten a new typewriter, or at least another one, and didn't give a dam).

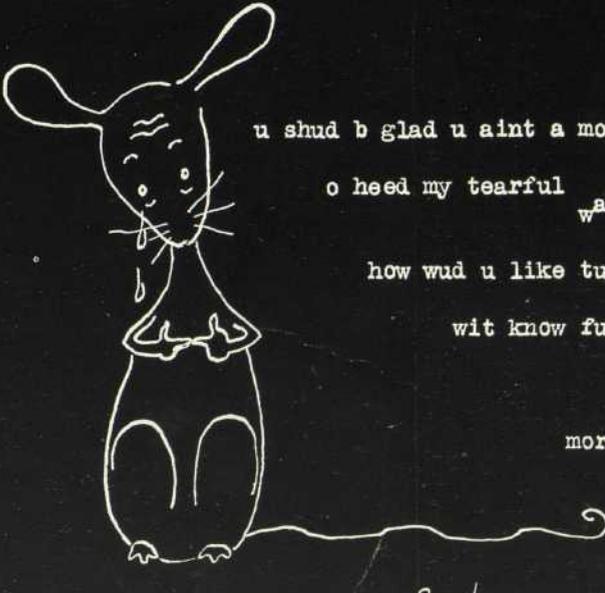
Well, morty is a sensitive little soul, and felt pretty badly about the thing when he

you'll like it. Marie Barbier has read a collection of morty's poems and has sort of gotten a line on his character. She has developed some very clever, humorous sketches which we are going to run with the poems, and we believe they look exactly like morty. But who can tell, because no one has even seen him yet.

Marie says she thinks morty is a frustrated, unhappy little guy with an inferiority complex and probably an introvert. Morty says that's a dam lie but he still goes on writing pathetic little scraps of verse.

mortimer the mouse by 

u shud b glad u aint a mouse  
o heed my tearful w<sup>a</sup>i<sup>l</sup> - -  
how wud u like tu go thru life  
wit know fur on yur t<sup>a</sup>i<sup>l</sup> ?  
mort



Barb.

### Service Department

One of our former employees, Bob Young, who is with the U. S. Army called on us this week. We were all glad to see Bob, and hope it won't be long before he will be back with us again.

From all reports we guess Doc Benson had a swell time on his vacation, especially the boat ride to Buffalo. As you know, Doc is quite a musician and was invited to play a few numbers with the orchestra on the boat.

We have a new member in our office, namely Dixie Babcock. Welcome to the department, Dixie!

Eleanor Strom sure has a smile on her face these days . . . must be that diamond she is flashing. We hear that she has set the date in October. Congratulations, Eleanor!

Harry Smith, formerly with the guards, is now in our department as a camera repairman. Welcome to the department, Harry!

Three members of our department have sons in the service . . .

Lester Michael has a son serving in France.

Charles Miller has two sons, one serving with the Marines in the Pacific area and one in France.

La Veta Shaw has three sons, one in France, one at Great Lakes, and one whose address is unknown at present.

The Service Department salutes these parents and their sons.

Lester Michael is having a well earned vacation the last two weeks of September, part of which he is spending in Ohio.

Charles Miller just returned from his vacation which he spent in Milwaukee, with his daughter-in-law and grandson. We hear you had quite a time up there . . . what about it, Charlie? We all missed you while you were gone and sure were glad to have you back.

Our shipping clerk, Roberta Jones took her second week of vacation September 10th. She didn't say much about her plans. Maybe that sparkler on her finger is the answer to the question.

Dorothy Jacobus, the boss' secretary, has a certain glint in her eyes . . . Her boy friend in the Army to whom she is engaged was home on furlough not so long ago. Maybe plans have been made . . . who knows?

### Department 27

Helen Breining is feeling fine after her operation and we hope will soon be with us again, it seems funny without her sweet presence in our department.

We celebrated Edith Garlick's birthday on September 5th in the cafeteria with ice cream and a delicious cake baked by Ruth O'Hare. Edith received a lovely gift from the department employees.

Samuel Knisely and family spent a week-end up north and reported having a very good time.

Herman Bauer enjoyed his two week's vacation and managed to get in a little fishing on the side and had some very good catches.

Pete Exelby is back with Argus again after spending three months in Colorado Springs with her husband. One can see that the climate certainly agreed with her, as she looks the picture of health. Pete is working for Swickerath on the fourth floor.

Now that the bowling season is under way, the time before the bell rings is spent in talking about strikes, spares and bets.

# GIRLS' BOWLING NEWS

## PLANT I

The Argus Ladies League started once again with twelve teams strong. We have some very fancy names this year, as you will note, which will be listed on the nice new score board in the cafeteria. Thanks, By and Rube, it's swell.

TEAM NAME	CAPTAIN
Rolfe's Pinbusters	Thelma Livesay
Jitterbugs	Mary Raymond
Hell's Angels	Dorothy Williams
Planning	Muriel Raaf
Accounting	Ruth Howe
Schoun's Service	Marie Hilge
Machine Shop	Leona Smith
Jolly Five	Marian Paquette
Five Aces	Sally Kneiper
Victory	Grace Henz
Challengers	Vivian Reed
City Slickers	Ori Wetherbee

We won't know who won or lost until all the regulars have bowled. What with vacations and stuff some of the girls were not able to bowl the first night, but we will get in the groove next week and we hope it will be the strike groove.

Averages were the topic of conversation on Thursday. Some of the girls bowled such high games they will really have to pitch to maintain their averages. Verald Adams was out of this world that last game when she posted a 193 game on the score sheet to put her team in high honors for high single game of 761 and high team series of 2039.

Clem Donner of the City Slickers shot five strikes in a row for a 189 game and high series of 446. Virginia Greene had a nice 472 series subbing for the Schoun's Service team.

Watch the score board in the cafeteria for team standings and high games and scores.

League Secretary,  
Laura Egeler

## PLANT II

The 1944-45 bowling season for the girls of Plant II started Monday, September 11th at 9:00 P.M. This season, all twelve teams will bowl at the same time instead of the 7 & 9 split shift they had last season.

There are a good many new faces and some completely new teams. We expect to have a lot of fun together.

The new Optical League officers are:

Maxine Wichman	President
Catherine Miresse	Vice President
Helen Balhoff	Secretary
Arlene Satterthwaite	Treasurer
Eva Baker	Sgt. at Arms

The teams and their captains are:

The Spitfires	Winnie Fraser
The Big Five	Beulah Conway
Office	Rosemary Read
Inspection	Alyce Miresse
Lucky Strikes	Opal Conley
Hot Shots	Helen Kennedy
The Avengers	Connie Skinner
The Daubers	Norma Kaufman
The B.I.M.'s	Lucille Brazee
The Bobby Soxs	Lois Bush
Hep Cats	Frances Gee
Polishers	Wilma Kennedy



This Fish Story was too long to print, the fellows thought. The smiling faces are those of Ray Taylor, Keith Tripp, Jack Suddarth, Hedley Downey.

## SOFTBALL

The softball season is officially closed, and the Argus teams ended the season with an outstanding performance. Erv Braatz who was the playing manager of the Argus team entered in the Fun and Fumble League was injured in one of the league games. Erv was hit by a batted ball and his eye was so badly injured that it will be necessary to have the best of medical care so that the sight might be restored. A benefit game was arranged at Sportsman Park and the turnout was very gratifying.

Erv's team engaged in a game with the Burns Park team of the Fun and Fumble

terms with Weid. We are very proud of "Red's" efforts on the golf course and wish to offer him our congratulations.

League while a picked team from Argus Radio and Argus Optical played the strong Gee Eyes of the Industrial League. Even though our teams were defeated in these contests, the purpose of the games was accomplished in raising funds to help Erv defray the expense that will be incurred in the medical care that he so badly needs. All of the employees of Argus, Incorporated, as well as the players, should feel proud of being able to help. We all sincerely hope that the care Erv is to receive will restore his sight to normalcy again.



Saturday afternoon croquet match at Aldrich Acres. The intrepid sportsmen are: Carl, Soderholm, Schlenker, Adams, Hiscock and Harding.



"Little Fishes Are Sweet," Says BY ALDRICH

## BOWLING

The lid was pried open on the 1944-45 Argus bowling season on September 8th, and twenty-four teams made their first bids for recognition in the title chase.

Last year it was thought that a maximum number of teams had entered into the league when a twenty team league was organized, but there was enough additional interest this year so that we now have the largest entry in the city. The play is again at the Twentieth Century Bowling Alleys and we have complete shifts at both seven and nine o'clock on Friday nights.

With twenty-four teams entered in the league anything can happen, and it would be fool-hardy to try to name a possible winner. Last year's three leading teams had lower averages than many of the teams that finished the year out of the running.

Radio Wildcats, captained by Lefty Kendovics, walked off with the championship and had a comfortable team margin over the second place Maintenance team captained by Erv Braatz. These two teams did not boast the highest averages in the league, but their improvement was steady throughout the entire season. In team averages the two leaders were only fair, but the final standings proved them to be the best clutch bowlers in the league.

The Argus Wildcats who ended the year in third place gave further proof that it is the ability of a team to win the close ones that is the main factor in the final standings in the race. This fact should give confidence to teams this year that do not have high averages. The team that can improve during the year will again carry off the title of the Argus League.

The twenty-four teams are about evenly distributed between the two plants so it should prove interesting to watch the

representatives from each try to dominate the play in the league. For the past three years the championship has been won by a team from the Radio Division. Last year it being the Radio Wildcats, while the two previous it was the Office team that ended at the top of the league. The teams from the Optical Division are determined to make this year's final standing a different story. Last season the Optical Plant did capture the second and third place money, but they would have gladly exchanged both for the top spot. At the end of the season last year the Argus Wildcats was the hottest team in the league, and many of the members from last year's team are back to make a determined bid for the title. With a twenty-four team league and the natural rivalry between the two plants this should prove to be the most interesting of all bowling seasons that we have enjoyed here at Argus, Inc.

## GOLF

In the city golf tournament Walter "Red" Weid has added further to the athletic honors of Argus by winning the city championship. "Red" left no doubt as to his superiority over the field by so completely dominating the play that after the opening qualifying round there was little doubt but that he would again win the title of "Ann Arbor's best golfer." For the fourth year in a row Weid walked off with the medalist score in qualifying. In his match games, "Red" took care of his opponents in a business-like fashion defeating each by a decisive margin. The Champ had the distinction of never being down to an opponent and only in the finals was he extended at all. In this championship match "Red" won the first hole with a birdie three and his opponent Dick Legget never was able to get back on even

# ARGUS PROFILES

By H. J. R.



FRASER, Winifred Agnes.

Quietly-conscientious, hardworking group leader in Dept. 40, Optical Division. Is the woman employee with the longest period of service in Plant 2. Because of this, accepted the Army-Navy "E" Flag and emblems on behalf of employees in the Presentation in June 1943. Was born in 1905 in Detroit, Michigan, and insists that her name be spelled with an "s" and not a "z". Has two sons, aged 19 and 17 of whom she is rightfully proud. Both are serving in the Navy in the South Pacific and both are enlisted men. Also has two daughters—Patsy, 7 and Helen, 20. Helen also works in Final Assembly, Plant 2. The remaining Fraser in Plant 2, is one William, of Nairn, Scotland. He has been Mrs. Fraser's husband for 22 years and is also very proud of his two sons in the Navy. Mrs. Fraser ("Winnie") has been with Argus over 13 years altogether. Is very keen about optical work and prefers it to any other. Is a very busy woman at home and has little time for hobbies. Admits, however, that she likes bowling although she says she is not very good at it. Up to the time of going to print no favorite quotations have been unearthed, except that, "Optical Assembly is the No. 1 department."



Michael, age 6, and Sara, age 11 months. Children of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Wathews, Engineering Dept., Plant 1.

## MAILING & SHIPPING DEPARTMENT 23

Now that **Shrimp** is back from his vacation everything is normal again. Or is it? We had better ask Ed. He would know. He has had to answer all the questions lately.

**Esther Phillips** is back on the mailing machine again and it won't act up for her like it does for Ed Kuehn. We think she has it trained.

**Harold Schauers** is as busy as ever around 5:30 as always. That's when everybody has something that has to go today for sure!

## DEPARTMENT 29

**Receiving Inspection** has been so busy these days we haven't had time for birthday parties even if we had one, which we didn't. How do you like those English?

We surely have missed **Mary Raymond**, **Marjorie Parke** and **Sally Kneiper** while they were taking inventory in the warehouse. Hope they get all the cobwebs out of their pretty curls when they get through, and we will be glad when they can come back home.

**Marjorie Young** has a new slant on the romance situation. She just loves the water. Or is it?

**Amanda's** cocker spaniel, "Blondie" has ten new puppies. Quite a family I'd say.

The bowlers in our department must be in good bowling shape. We heard no groans nor gripes after the opening night of the league. **Mary Raymond** is wondering how she is going to keep up that swell average she started with.

**Pvt. Bob Morton** was in to see us while on leave from Camp Wolters, Texas. He likes the Army but wishes his camp was in Michigan.

**Laura** will be pretty happy when her girl Friday gets back from her vacation. . . **Leola Stoner** is the girl Friday.

We have anxious moments when **Dora Eugene** receives mail through the Red Cross from her mother in Greece. The letters are written in French and we have to wait until Dora can locate the fine people in Argus who can read them to her. She got three letters recently with two dated April, 1943. It takes a long time to get the twenty-five words they are allowed to write. Dora thanks those who have helped her.

## OPTICAL ASSEMBLY

The Ladies Bowling League started Monday evening, September 11th. We sure are glad to finally get started again, because we know the fun we all had last year.

Well, the happy race is over and it looks like it's just about a tie. Two sisters in Optical Assembly became grandmothers within two weeks! **Bertha Jedele** is marveling over a grand-daughter named **Diane Kay**, and **Esther Woelper** was seen buying blue booties for tiny **Douglas Edward**. Congratulations to both of you!

We missed **Clara Steeb** for a few days recently when she saw her nephew **Alton Steeb** off for College at Tucson, Arizona. Clara says she went as far as Chicago with him. Hope you had a pleasant jaunt, and welcome back, Clara.

If you ever feel bad, come into Optical Assembly. The girls are always happy there. Sure a swell place to scare the blues away. Hope **Eddie** never listens in, or his ears might get red.

**Ruth Finkbeiner** is back after a lovely vacation in Jamestown, N. Y. She accompanied her mother visiting relatives and seeing the town. Although nothing unusual happened, she reports of having an all-round good time.

Yes, **Winnie**, it was darn white of the whole household to help you look for the car keys. You were so certain someone else in the family had mislaid them. But, we know the true story now. It seems **Helen** found them in the most obvious place, and right where you had left them the night before.

You can certainly tell "**Speedy**"'s home these days. **Katie** comes dragging in every morning. And to think we have to put up with this "dreamy mood" she's in for seventeen days!

**Beulah Conway** has changed teams this year. She decided to join the **Big Five** with **Cecile Eubank** and **Dorothy Schallhorn**.

Who is the little girl who bit delightfully into a piece of 'home made' candy and found it to be a bar of soap?

The hourly buzzer and people's voices are like the sound of soft music and tinkling glasses floating on a breeze of perfume and wine! The M-49 telescope gradually fades into a bottle of effervescent champagne! Ah, it must be grand to be in love, eh, **Virginia**.

Little "**Dan Cupid**" gets around in spite of the war. This time his magic arrow has joined the hearts of **Laura Dick** and **William Purdon**. The marriage was performed Wednesday, September 6th at 8:30 P.M. Best wishes, kids, and many years of happiness.

There is a rumor around Optical Assembly, about **Helen Fraser**, **Ann Letsis**, and **Audrey Kett** going horse back riding Sunday morning. Wonder what the outcome will be. . . Let's watch, gang.

**Laura Purdon** was chosen to represent Department 40 for the ensuing year, in a vote taken by the department. Junior representatives are **Eva Baker** and **Beulah Conway**. Laura replaces **Dorothy Schallhorn**, and the entire department extends a vote of thanks to Dorothy for her splendid efforts and co-operation in our behalf.

**Look Girls** . . . Department 40—No. 1 Department. Has this department established a new record? Twenty-three marriages in 24 months. No, we are not trying to make people envious. But, as **Girvan** says, "We're still the No. 1 department."

**Mrs. Lois Conkey** has left to Oakland, California, where she will reside for a few months. We really enjoyed working with her and hope to have her back soon.

## DEPARTMENT 17R

Riveting welcomes **John Kapeleris**. John is replacing **Frank Walker** who has gone to the West Coast.

**Marian Paquette** visited her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Collins at Central Lake Michigan over Labor Day.

**Irene Jardno** reports that her husband **Steve** has been promoted to second class petty officer. Steve is stationed in the Hawaiian Islands.

**Hulda Burns** has a thirty day leave of absence due to sickness. Hurry up and get well, Hulda.

**Monica McKernan** received a letter from her brother, **Pvt. Mark McKernan** stationed in France. Enclosed was a souvenir, a Nazi insignia. He says. . . "I'm not telling how I got it."

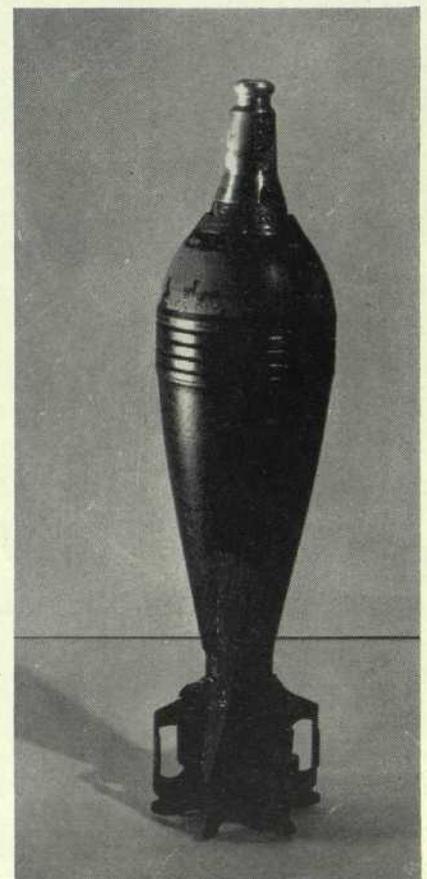
**Lillian Yost** is walking around these days with stars in her eyes. Lillian is going home to visit her mother and dad, Dr. and Mrs. G. Tuten of McCormick, South Carolina.

**Anna Mae Terry** has been selling chances on a horse. Now we are wondering if one of us should win whether we should try and remake history by playing **Lady Godiva**. If you should see something unusual on the street some day one of us must have won.

## VIVIAN KEPLER



Vivian Kepler of Plant II received the large Trench Mortar Shell pictured below as a souvenir from her husband, Sgt. Elmer D. Keppler, who is somewhere in France.



## ON FURLOUGH



Sgt. and Mrs. Donald I. Strite and Joyce Ann, age 11 months. Sgt. Strite visited his family on his recent furlough from Camp Butner, N. C. Mrs. Strite (formerly Doris Allen is employed in the Sales Department, and Don was formerly in the Paint Shop, Plant I.

## SALES DEPARTMENT

It had been planned to install some new, brighter, fluorescent lights in the Sales Department, but when Jackie Shaffer's engagement to Don Naylor was recently announced and Jackie started wearing that new sparkler it was decided that the new lights were unnecessary. We understand that no date has yet been set for the wedding.

Homer Hilton finds Washington very interesting, and vice versa.

Elma Lundahl and her mother have recently moved from their apartment in Ann Arbor to Pittsfield Village.



GUESS WHO of the Sales Department.

## DEPARTMENT 32

We have a new painter in the paint shop . . . A son was born to Vincent (Peck) Loy and his wife, Viola May, Tuesday, September 5th at 11:15 A.M. Dale Vincent weighed 5 lbs., 7 oz. Congratulations!

## JERRY COSENS



Jerry—four year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Cosens. Mrs. Cosens is a member of the Sales Department staff.

## FLASH!

As we go to press, reports are coming in concerning the Recreation Club dance which was held at the Washtenaw Country Club on September 23rd.

The consensus is that it was the very best party the Recreation Club has ever had. It would be impossible to enumerate the factors contributing to its success, but it should be mentioned that some of the nice things were: the 400 roses donated to the ladies by Neilson's; the kindness of the Moms of America in handling the checking; the very excellent buffet supper prepared by Mr. and Mrs. Agosti; the

## DEPARTMENT 24

Since Don (Wolf) Crump has been helping out in department 24, Kelly doesn't think the girls are getting out enough production. Why?

Ann Rush and George Stuteville have gone back to teaching school after spending the summer with us.

Welcome to Gail Lochen who has joined us. Hope you like us, Gail.

It seems Libby attended her brother's wedding and wasn't at work for a week. Wonder just who got married? Oh, yes, how late do you stay up and read, Libby.

Since Thelma Livesay only works afternoons she has to wire her chair down every night. It has a habit of straying.

We have found out how often Marjorie Warner washes her feet. Every night, believe it or not. We painted her toe with green paint while she was busily at work and the next morning it was gone.

Art Gerstler is back from his vacation with a bad cold and he tells us he stayed home.

It seems Kelly sent Department 24 a postal card on August 8th while on vacation. We received the card August 24th. Just where were you on your vacation, Kelly?

## PLANT I BOWLING PRIZE WINNERS

To Benny Kearney in Department 24 goes the prize for the name suggested by her in a contest conducted by one of the Argus Ladies League teams.

The team is sponsored by Rolfe's grocery on Jefferson St. Benny suggested "Rolfe's Pinbusters", so there it is.

Members of the team are Thelma Livesay, Captain, Leona Eichel, Laura Snearly, Leola Stoner and Laura Egeler. The girls have very snappy uniforms consisting of gray skirts with lavender blouses, socks and crocheted beanies. Just in case you know not what a beanie be, it's a little bitty cap.



Bob Isaacson had to resign as president of the Argus Flyers when he was called to the colors last month. Bob was one of the principal organizers, and the club owes him much for his determined efforts in getting the thing started. Too bad he couldn't stick around long enough to enjoy much of the benefits. We hope it won't be too long before he can rejoin us and be an Argus Flyer again.

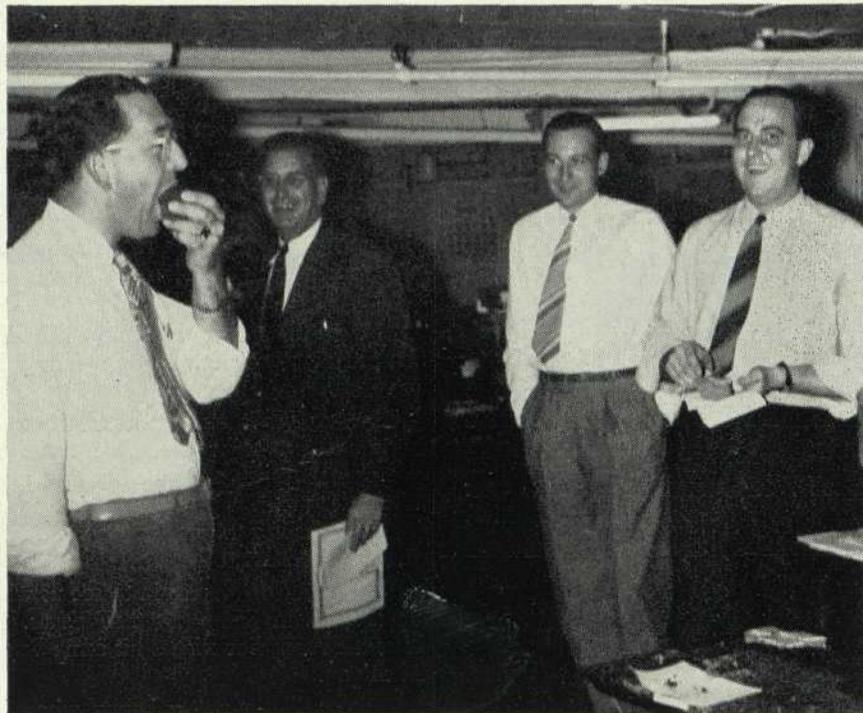
A meeting of the members was held and Fred Belser was elected new member of the Board of Directors. Jan Van Den Broek was appointed President of the Board.

Ted Tirb, too, went in the service and another member left the company for other reasons. Since we are primarily a flying club for Argus employees, we are anxious to sell these shares to new members, and return the ex-members their original investment. Anyone interested in learning to fly, just let us know.

The other members are coming right along. Vern Heck, Jim Nutt and Conrad Ganzhorn are just about ready to solo. Don Hanawalt and Fred Belser are now logging solo time. Congratulations! "Chuck" Cole and "Van" are working toward their private license.

The Board of Directors has been busy trying to accommodate everybody. Among other things they provided an easy-payment plan for new members, a non-active membership arrangement for members that can't fly at the present time but who want to retain their investment, and a mutual cooperation agreement between the two flying clubs, which gives the members of one club the use of the other club's airplane when their own is grounded for repairs or inspection. Argus Flyers, Inc., is now officially registered as a non-profit corporation.

## Happy Birthday --- Joe



Joe eats cake and likes it. The occasion was Joe Clemens' birthday, and Bob Miller, Roy Craik and Les Schwanbeck share the spoils.

grand music of Lee Walters and his orchestra; and the congenial group of people who in their own words "really enjoyed themselves."

The fifty service men who were there as guests of the Recreation Club were unanimous in their praise, and we know they enjoyed themselves as much as we enjoyed having them. The U.S.O. handled the arrangements for our guests in their usual

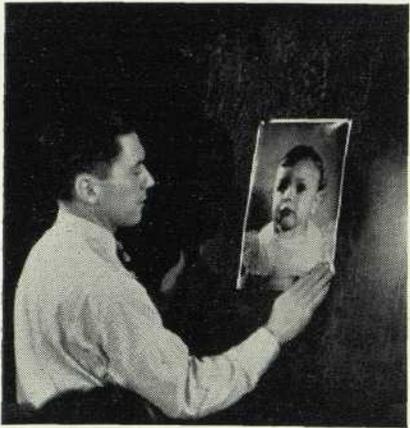
thoughtful manner and were kind enough to provide us with a show during intermission. The show was Doc Fielding, well known "gag man", who "rolled them in the aisles" with his exceedingly funny songs and pantomime.

We feel certain that we echo the thought of all when we extend to Nellie Hecox and Eddie Girvan and everyone our thanks for making this party a success.

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Camera Club

The main event of the Argus Camera Club meeting which was held Thursday, September 7th was a most interesting demonstration of picture tinting by Eddie Girvan. Eddie showed the club just how easy it is to tint pictures, and has offered his services to any one interested.



Dick Bills has offered 18 rolls of film for the best silhouette turned in at the October 10th meeting. Dick wants plain pictures without clouds.

The Kaufmans now belong to the club and it won't be long before we have the whole place painted up.

At the August 10th meeting a Scavenger Hunt was held. Each member wrote on a piece of paper something they would like a picture taken of. Then everyone drew one of these out of a box and this was to be their assignment for the next meeting.

Prizes in the advanced group were:

- 1st—"Lost Angel" by Eddie Girvan
- 2nd—"Balance" by "Red" Peterson

Prizes in the beginners groups were:

## CAMERA CLUB STUDIO SCENE



The aftermath of the print judging is always the picture analysis explaining why the print is a winner and another a loser. Here, Norm Hartman does just that for some of the Camera Club members. Those whose immediate interest is in the technical aspects of picture-making are in the dark room listening to a lecture on enlarging.

- 1st—"Fountain" by Ann Boland
- 2nd—"Frog" by Marie Nagel

It was brought to the members' attention that each member must have at least one print every three months and not be absent three consecutive meetings in order to remain a member of the club.

Lois Conkey, the former secretary of the club, has left us. We enjoyed having her with us but wish her much happiness in her new job.

Maxine Wichman was elected the new secretary.

### CAMERA CLUB

A prize of 12 rolls of film for the best and 6 rolls for the second best silhouettes has been offered by Dick Bills. Dick wants plain black and white pictures, trees, buildings, people, landscapes, etc. But they must not have any clouds in the sky. These are to be exhibited at the October 12th meeting.

With so many new members in the club who want to learn to take better pictures it has been decided to have five classes in photography.

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| 1. Know your camera | 4. Printing pictures |
| 2. Taking pictures  | 5. Mounting prints   |
| 3. Developing film  |                      |

The dark room is open every Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday nights.



This picture of PAT BOLAND won first prize for his mother, Anne, at a September meeting of the Camera Club.

### Departments 36 & 37

Don Hindal got tired writing letters to Iowa so he took a vacation and got married. Best wishes Peggy and Don.

That smile which Ruth Blanchard has been displaying is a result of that swell vacation in Texas with her husband.

We've really been missing Rose Gonyou the past few weeks. Hope you'll be back with us soon, Rosie.

Sorry for the error last time. Marie T. isn't going to Philadelphia. Her interests are centered around Rockford, Illinois instead.

Jennie L. and a few others sure looked bad after that birthday party. Wonder why?

It's quite evident that Catherine M. will make a good Vice-President of the Ladies' Bowling League, for she even makes excuses to converse with strangers down town. That's one way of getting acquainted, isn't it Kay?

The polishing room is represented by

two teams in the Ladies' Bowling League this year. The Polishers is composed of Ruth Blanchard, Catherine Miresse, Celia Jeffreys, Annabel Farmer and Wilma Kennedy, Captain, while the Hep Cats are Katherine Notestine, Jennie Lasky, Irene Vettese, Ruth McRobb, and Frances Gee, Captain. We're hoping to see some keen competition between these teams.

To Ruth McRobb, Jan Gala, and Charles Rocco who have recently joined our gang we extend a hearty welcome.

Those letters from Jack Suddarth, Ray Taylor, Fred Hartwig, and Bill Gillespie were enjoyed by all. We'll be looking for more, too.

It's rumored that Irene Vettese has been keeping a certain sailor out late. Is that true, Irene?

Ann Andrews came back as happy as a lark after that vacation in Kentucky.

The centering department feels lost without Dick Dorow, but he's close by so

he can run in occasionally.

Ralph Krug can't decide whether he'd rather work in the cleaning or soaking room. However, there are three ways of escape from the cleaning room but only one from the soaking.

The men's bowling team from the polishing room is composed of Larry Barnes, Don Hindol, George Olds, R. Clisham, and Leo Wiederhoff, Captain. Fellows bowling on other teams are Bill Huffman, Bud Roberts, and Bob Bultman.

Congratulations to Pvt. and Mrs. Geo. DeWolfe who are the proud parents of a son answering to the name George, Jr. Pvt. DeWolfe is a former employee of Department 37 and is now stationed somewhere in the South Pacific area.

A good play by play description of the Tiger's ball game could be had after Ernie Darnell and Dick Dorow attended the game in Detroit the other week. It sure was a good thing Ernie didn't wear his hat.

### CARD OF THANKS

Many thanks to the Argus Club for the lovely flowers sent to me during my recent illness. They were so very much appreciated.

Esther Heusel

We certainly appreciated the lovely record holder presented to us by our Argus friends as a wedding gift, and wish to thank each and everyone of you.

Gerry and Libby Davenport

The flowers sent me by the Argus Club during my recent illness were very beautiful and greatly appreciated. Many thanks to all of you.

Cora Barhitte

## Jerry and Libby Davenport



Miss Elizabeth Kingsbury, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Kingsbury, of S. Division St., became the bride of **Gerald Davenport**, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Davenport, of Wildwood Ave., in an afternoon ceremony held today in the chapel of the Michigan League, with Rev. Philip Schenk, rector of St. James Episcopal church, Dexter, officiating.

The ceremony was conducted before an altar flanked by candelabra and baskets of white gladiolas. Miss Janet Wilson, of Dexter, furnished organ music before the ceremony.

The bride chose a pink silk jersey street length dress with cape sleeves, a sweetheart neckline and a shirred skirt, and completed her ensemble with a pink straw lace hat with a brown veil. She carried a white satin prayer book which was adorned with an orchid.

Mrs. Howard F. Nunes, of Hamilton Pl., sister of the bride, served as matron of honor, wearing a dress of pastel green crepe with a brown hat and a corsage of Johanna Hill roses.

Grant Lovelace, of Pontiac Rd., attended the bridegroom as best man, and Pfc. Howard F. Nunes, of Hamilton Pl., brother-in-law of the bride, was the only usher.

A reception following the ceremony was held at the Michigan League for approximately 100 guests. Table decorations were baskets of white summer flowers.

The bride, a graduate of the Ann Arbor High school and of Cleary College, in Ypsilanti, is employed in the offices of the University Department of Engineering.

Mr. Davenport, who attended the same schools as his bride, is working in the photographic laboratory of Argus, Inc.

After August 21, the couple will be at home at 1214½ Washtenaw Ave., following a boat trip and vacation at a lake.

## HERE & THERE with MATERIAL CONTROL

By Gold Braid Gertie

Some people may be thinking of plans for another vacation for the following summer while others are still lingering over sweet memories of pleasant times spent this last summer.

It is true that many of us spent vacation by working on farms, helping that "Victory" garden grow, and catching up with housework that had been put off from one day to the other. But that didn't mean that our vacation wasn't enjoyed as much as those spent at a lake or a weekend cruise. Helping out our "Uncle Sam" in bringing the day of victory here is the chief aim of all of us.

Let us see what this gang stirred up during the summer months.

**Lee Wight** was quite fortunate for she had the opportunity of taking a trip to Baltimore and see her cousin, **Opal Sloan**, a former employee of Argus. While there, the young lassy also spent some time in Washington visiting historical places and taking in all the sights. Lee's snapshots taken in Washington gave us an idea of some of the things she saw.

Pennsylvania isn't such a bad state, says **Jack Covey**. We can see why, for it happens to be both his and his wife's home state. They visited relatives and friends in Coudersport.

Even though the water was too cold for swimming, **Alice Blanchard** still had one of the most enjoyable of vacations at the lake. Some of her fellow workers surprised her one evening by dropping in and drowning their worries. By the time they were fished out, why, it was time for work! They told us it was Portage Lake, but it is beyond us how they figured that one out??!!

**Mary Nelson**, formerly of Department 17R, entertained her sister-in-law who came from Atlanta, Georgia.

Two others made use of their extra time. **Leona Breisch** didn't do so bad with her garden judging by her fruit cellar. This young lady also spent several days fishing and didn't go to the store to prove what fish look like. **Stephanie Gala**, on the other hand, did alright with a team of horses, and we do mean horses, when she helped her dad around haying season. She also spent one week-end in Detroit where she visited old friends, and so forth.

It is only proper to mention here that since the appearance of our last article in the *Argus Eyes* several new members have been added to our merry "family". **Florence Speicher**, better known as "Flo", came from the Bomber Plant. **Juanita Boyd** was welcomed by all since she had formerly worked at Argus as switchboard

operator before her departure to New Orleans where her husband was stationed in the armed forces. We now learn that he is somewhere in France. Another switchboard operator also transferred to our department, she is **Merna Patrick**.

If anyone has seen a young man with a pipe taking inventory throughout the plant, he is **Walter Galling**, a new employee of the Material Control force. **"Doc" Black** had held this position before his acceptance of a new position, that of Superintendent of Mackinaw City high school. We were very sorry to see "Doc" leave us and wish him every success in his new undertaking.

There are still several other people to leave us and they were **"Peck" Stott**, **Jane Kern**, who left for California with her mother, and **Patsy Prowse**.

**Patsy Prowse** is a British War Refugee and worked with us during the summer months with plans to go back to school this fall. Her folks are in England and she lives with her grandparents at Barton Hills.

It won't be long before the hunting season opens, and what do you bet that **Les Schwanbeck** cashes in on his vacation on a chance to bag a duck. Be sure you don't shoot and find the duck to be none other than your own decoy, Les.

Vacations may have come and been forgotten, but not so for our own boss, **Russ Warren**. Minneapolis will be his stopping place with a visit to Chicago. Just be sure you don't get lost on your way back, Russ.

By the looks of things, Material Control again came through with another nice summer.

### BEHIND THE FRONT OFFICE

The Optical Design Department is very sorry to announce that **Elaine Mueller** will be leaving us soon to attend Capitol University in Columbus, Ohio. Good luck, Elaine!

**Joe Dianetti** has just returned from another jaunt to Rochester, N. Y. It is obvious that he is responsible for the daily request "Wait for Me, Mary". Joe is busy making plans for his next visit to Rochester. Happy Days!!

We would like to welcome **Mrs. Lorraine Webb** and **Virginia Balhoff** to the Optical Design Department.

**Bill Patton** was recently seen in the country, where he picked three bushels of corn on the cob. Where is the Still, Bill? (Corney!) What's he trying to do, relieve the labor or the liquor shortage?

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### The Gals in White

Mrs. **Viola Tyler** has become an expert painter in the past few weeks. Anyone desiring to have any painting done may contact "Vi" in the F.A. room of Plant 1. Of course, Vi has to get her family moved and settled before she would consider doing any outside work.

**Mildred Bird** of Plant II is walking on a cloud these days. Dame rumor has said that **Roy** is on his way home to 204 N. Seventh Street. Roy has been in Iran doing a swell job wheeling these big trucks around loaded with supplies for Russia.

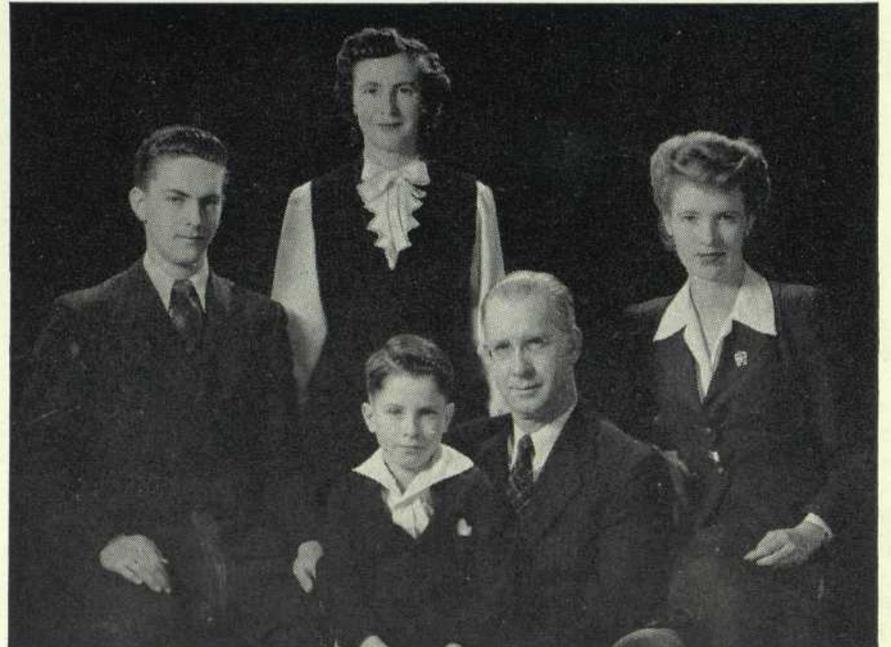
Thanks to **Ed Sleezer** and **Ed Nimke** for the beautiful flowers they have brought to the F.A. room this summer.

Did anyone guess who the three little gals were in the last paper? They are now taking care of your cut fingers and passing out the pills.



Clif Trivoeli takes a busman's holiday.

## The Bone Family



Included in this family group, reading from left to right, are: **Wm. Bone, Jr.**, **Mrs. Bone**, **Joseph**, **W. F. Bone, Sr.**, daughter, **Mrs. Dorothy Legg**. Mr. Bone is Chief Production Engineer in Plant II.

## EGELER'S PRIDE



ROBERT

Pvt. Robert Morton has decided the Infantry is just as good a place to be as the Navy or the Air Force even though he tried to enlist in both. He was inducted in April, 1944. Bob worked in Plant One Receiving Inspection and the Machine Shop before induction. Bob is Laura's son.

Pfc. Laretta Egeler is remembered by many of our Argus old-timers. Laretta worked on the radio assembly line. She



LAURETTA

has been in the WAC's sixteen months and is stationed at Mitchell Field Air Base in New York.

Cpl. Norman Egeler who was inducted into the Army in April, 1941 has been overseas two years. Norman worked in the Plant One Paint Shop and was one of the top-notch bowlers in the league. Laretta and Norm are Rube's sister and brother.



NORMAN



S/SGT. PAUL C. WATSON

Sgt. Watson who has recently been awarded the second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal, is the husband of the former MARY LOY of Department 17.

He received this citation "for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy."

A nose turret gunner, S/Sgt. Watson has participated in aerial assaults on such key targets as the Ploesti oil refineries and the Bucharest railroad yards in Romania.

The above picture was taken in Italy after completion of a mission.

## Letters from Boys and Girls in the Armed Services

The mail bag from the boys in service was really quite full this month . . . and we like to receive them as well as you like to get them, too, boys, so keep 'em coming. Also send along your pictures whenever possible.

Sgt. E. E. (Tiny) Eddy writes to Gene and Thelma Livesay and also the Argus Recreation Club from somewhere in Australia that he had just spent a very enjoyable furlough in Melbourne. Also that on occasion his shop (aircrew) really had a good feed, with pig-roast, steaks and lots of beer, but that he'd still rather be home with his friends in Ann Arbor.

Sgt. Richard M. Gaaney in the European theater of war writes that *Argus Eyes* fills the bill "when a fellow needs a friend." He says he notes many changes in the Argus organization, but that they are also making a few over there, too. (He can say that again, can't he!).

To Corporal Tony Rupas, General Hospital, N. Y., we send thanks for all the nice things he writes about Argus Eyes.

Seaman First Class Paul F. Rowe wrote to say "hello to Dept 17 because that's where I worked back in '41. I worked along side of that jolly little fellow, Paul Eugene." He has been on the West Coast since the latter part of June.

Pvt. Roy R. Compton says "it sure is good to read the news of the factory in *Argus Eyes*."

Lt. Charles R. Van Aken has written us twice during the past few weeks . . . first from Herington Field, Kansas, and the second communication from the middle of the ocean (which ocean, remains a military secret). At any rate, he makes more than casual comment upon the fact that he has received "nary a letter except from old faithful, Katey!" Says he would appreciate hearing from all of you and getting some of the fellows' addresses. Also, "please don't publish this excuse for a letter" . . . so, we aren't!

Two of the boys who left us on July 31st for the Army have written us this month.

Bob Isaacson is in Texas now, and he says he knew it was a plenty big state and always wanted to see it . . . but not any more . . . because he thinks the Army wants them to see it on foot.

"I'm not alone down here in this sandy wilderness. There are a lot of fellows from Ann Arbor and several from Argus. Kennedy is in my barracks and so is Bill Fisher. Art Push and G. Snyder are in a different company but they are in the same regiment. Their barracks are near ours.

"I want to thank everyone at the shop for the money and wallet, and I want to thank the Prism Department for the swell bracelet. I really miss the old town and the shop. I sure worked with a swell bunch of people and I hope I can get back there before long. Lights out, so I'll say so-long, gang. See you soon, Bob."

In a letter which Bob Isaacson has written to his friend Van, he states, "My C.A.P. training has helped me very much. About 90 percent of the classes I have had so far teach the same things that I learned in the C.A.P. I never thought I would make use of all that stuff then. So much for me. How is the flying club? I am kept too busy to even think about flying. My license will expire the end of this month, so I guess I'm through flying until I get home again for good."

Jim Swaney is down Arkansas way, and although he has been in the Army a month, he writes that it seems like a year.

"It's not so bad here though. We only put in 18 hours a day. Then we sleep five hours and then we have a whole hour to ourselves. Of course, during that hour we have to clean rifles, scrub barracks, wash clothes, write letters, etc., etc. And, in our spare time we just lay around. It's not quite so bad on week ends, but that's about the average day here.

"I don't get to see Bernie (Fisher) and Fred Hartwig and Ray Taylor very often. Bernie and Fred are only about two blocks from my barracks.

"Say 'hello' to the rest of the gang for me, and tell Elvis I haven't seen any of that good corn "likker" yet.

"Write if you get a chance, but I suppose you're pretty busy.

Jim (Yardbird)"

We are sorry to learn that Sgt. Henry (Al) Stitt has been ill, and sincerely hope he is well on the road to recovery. Al is now stationed in France.

A V-mail letter from Harold Mangus, who used to work for "Bud" Wheeler in Department 15, tells us that he landed with our Tank Destroyer units in France. Good luck, Harold.

Pvt. F. V. (Joe) Wright visited in Plant I while on furlough from Camp Maxey, Texas. "Joe" worked in Bendix Stock for Herbie Oliver.

A letter from a former Argus worker, Paul Rosasco (a brother of Carlo (Chief) Rosasco) tells that he's stationed in New Guinea. It really must be a nice bunch of fellows, with you, Paul. They not only enjoy Argus Eyes but use Argus cameras as well. Thank them for us, won't you.

We like hearing nice things about both our paper and product. Carlo tells us that Paul met with an accident soon after writing to *Argus Eyes* (we hope you settled the final score, Paul) but he is mending fast, and will soon be up and at them. A speedy recovery, Paul.

A letter from Pfc. Lumis J. Knieper, sends a new address and tells us he likes England second only to Michigan.

A letter from Harold West sends a new address and his thanks for *Argus Eyes*.

We have received a very interesting letter from Cpl. Leroy Richardson, stationed somewhere in Burma with "The Fighting Medics" telling us of his "Fighting Argus".

"Due to the fact that I am a soldier and in the "Burma Battle Zone", I lost my very fine Argoflex camera during one of the "hot sessions" here. The fact is, I nearly lost "me", which is why I am in the hospital.

"I brought my Argoflex to Burma with me over two years ago, and during that time it has not failed me once. Every picture that was taken came out beautifully. I have proven that "you need not be an expert if you use an Argoflex." I like it so much that my slogan concerning it is . . . in times of danger, after me my Argoflex comes next."

Bette Sachs, A.P.T.A., who worked in Gene Livesay's department, writes that she has graduated from the Harmon General Hospital, Longview, Texas, as a physio therapist and commissioned a Lieutenant in the Army Medical Corps. Lt. Sachs, whose home is in Chicago, is a graduate of the University of Michigan and spent six months in training at the Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minnesota before entering Army training in Texas.

The month of September marked another birthday for Pfc. George Gillen (formerly of Department 24) who has been in England for three years.

Two former Argus gals send a friendly greeting to all their old friends . . . Mrs. H. E. Schoen (Jeanne Crandell), of Corpus Christi, Texas, and Miss Vicki Polish, of Denver, Colorado.

It's "First" Lieutenant Max D. Hammond now, and he writes from New Guinea to Mrs. Jacob Scheef and sends greetings to his friends at Argus: the Hartmans, Hazel Miller, Bud Wheeler, and the rest of the gang. Says he can't help bragging a little . . . you see he's the father of a baby girl born August 5th, whose name is Sandra Kay. Congratulations to both Lt. and Mrs. Hammond!

From Pete O'Donnell, in India, comes a very interesting letter.

"To Argus Eyes: During the last three months I have received three copies of *Argus Eyes*. And, I must say that it's a great morale paper. This is what my buddies said to me . . . "Hell, O'Donnell. We don't have to know the people, it's the idea of reading and seeing something good for a change." That was meant for *Argus Eyes*. Thanks a million. And if it is possible, I would like to receive it every month.

"I would like to say hello to Babe Peterson and all the gang. Also to tell you I am with a B-29 Superfortress outfit, and that My Friends from Argus, Inc. was dropped on Japan.

"Keep up the good work.  
Best wishes,  
Pete O'Donnell

PVT. MARION (MIKE) SINELLI



MIKE, as he is known to all of us, is getting himself in shape at the present to crash a line that will be harder to get through than those of his high school football days. (His one weakness was betting on Notre Dame).

Mike left us on December 13, 1943 for Fort Sheridan and after several phases of training is now in Camp Luis Obispo, California.

Before entering the Army, Pvt. Sinelli was employed in Department 17, at Argus.

## Machine Shop News PLANT I

After an absence of almost two months **Ben Bergman** has returned to the machine shop and has taken over the duties of set-up and supervision of the drill press department.

**Harold Peterson**, whose marriage to **Ginny Meyers** of the Sales Department was solemnized the latter part of July, was given a Kenmoor wool blanket and combination cigarette container and ash tray set at a party given by the department in the cafeteria. Best wishes and congratulations were extended to Harold and Ginny.

**Walt Root** must have been dreaming of the days to come because a few weeks ago Walt had the misfortune of running a tap through one of his fingers. Perhaps it would be much better for Walt to take that final step to quiet his nerves. (There are others in the department who have recently done so.)

**David Boomer** spent his vacation visiting with a cousin at Hastings, Michigan. During the time that Dave was there the county fair was being held so he spent much of his time there.

**Ralph Flick** really has a worried look on his face these days. Ralph is a rabid St. Louis Browns fan, and for the greater part of the year all was going very well, but in the past few weeks the Brownies have had their only real slump and the situation has become rather serious.

**Doc Huston** had himself quite an experience the other night at Pinckney. Doc decided to take his wife and two daughters aged 2 and 3 to the open air show held in the village park. When it came time to go home Doc could not find the keys to the car. After questioning, the youngsters told him that they had thrown the keys out of the car. Two hours later and almost out of matches, Doc finally found the keys and hurried home.

Although **Vince Richardson** spent most of his time in Ann Arbor he had no complaints about his vacation. Vince wore a path between the Moose Club and Beuhlers.

**Al Sannes** reports that his son who is now seven months old has a definite idea as to how the house should be run. Al says that he puts up a good fight, but that his youngster usually comes out the winner.

**Whitey Roberts** and **Walter Back** made a day of it recently when they went into Detroit to see a ball game. After the game the two hit most of the night spots in the big city. What a night! And . . . what a morning!

In the last issue a mistake was made in stating that **Louis Belleau** was in the Navy and was receiving his training at Great Lakes. Lou is stationed at Buckley Field in Denver, Colorado.

**Leona Smith** who is captain of the girls bowling team from the machine shop made an auspicious start in her first game of the year. Leona put together four strikes in a row and ended with a neat 174!

**Herman Kogler** surprised everyone in the department by coming in late for work. This is the first time that this has happened as long as he has worked here. Lucky must have really had a bad night.

**Elsie Gillespie's** little girl, **Nancy**, has been taken sick and it has been necessary for Elsie to ask for a leave of absence for two weeks. We all hope that Nancy will soon be well and Elsie will be back to work.

In the past few weeks it has been necessary to add to the personnel of the machine shop. New employees are: **Pearl Kelly**, **Joe Singer**, **Al Baff**, **Claud Hayes**, **Jeanne Finlayson**, and **Elizabeth Smith**.

**Dorle** and **Jack Webber** wish to thank their unknown benefactors who presented them with a bubble baby bank, and also to those who have so generously contributed to the cause. The Webbers are expecting a blessed event in December.

**Ted Doman** reports that he spent his vacation up in the Canadian North Woods hunting Moose. Of course, Ted told us all about the trip one particular morning when his way of thinking was not as clear as it might have been.

**Betty Stearns** has been transferred from the drill press department to the inspection department under **Perry Gainey**. Perry says her progress is very good and that she should make a very capable inspector.

For the past few years **Mo Howe** has had a time trying to keep the hair out of his eyes, but he has at last found a solution. Mo has been going over to Skip's to get that new fangled haircut that he has been sporting lately.

**Amos Kline** has finally reached the 200 mark in bowling. Amos is one of the better bowlers in the machine shop, but had been unable to top the double century mark. However, in one of the practice games prior to the opening of the league Amos counted 201.

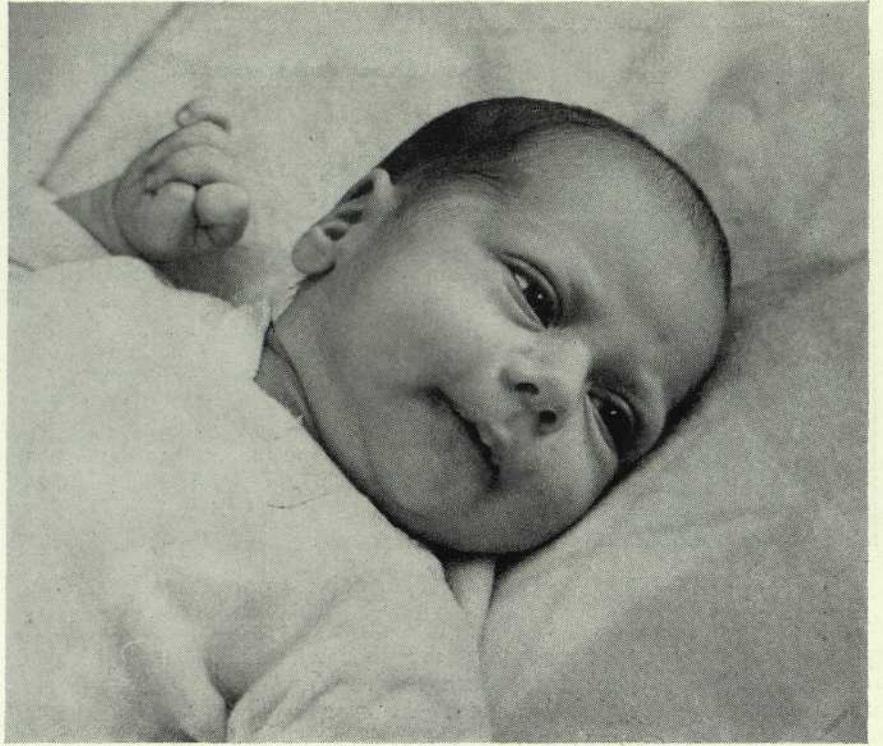
**Clyde Melton's** wife **Rosemary** is now working for **Ted Doman** in the buffing department. Rosemary tells us that Clyde is still in Florida and that he is now getting used to the liquid sunshine that you don't hear about.

After an absence of two weeks **Lorraine Vitale** has returned to the machine shop and is doing her usual good work in the punch press department. It is needless to say that **Bob Vorce** is noticeably happier these days.

It has been noticed lately that **Doc Johnston** has been dressing up a lot more in the past few weeks. Could this be because there have been some new girl employees in his department?

**Floyd Pratt's** son who is just four and a half years of age has been on the sick list and doctors have been unable to diagnose his case. Floyd tells us that he is taking him up to the University Hospital where he will receive a complete check up.

## ONE OF THE GIRVAN CLAN



Well, here it is, a picture of the new Girvan baby, John Edward. We know that everyone has been shown the original of this photograph (by the judo method) but we publish it for the benefit of our readers in Scotland.

### BEHIND THE FRONT OFFICE

(Continued from page 8, Col. 4)

**Mrs. Eleanor** is vacationing in some unknown spot, while **Kay Hambleton** just returned from her vacation with the remark that she wished she could have afforded it.

The Argus Colony at Pittsfield Village includes the **Rick Fisher's** and **Dick Fullers'**.

**Mrs. Harriett Limbell** is missing for a few days as her husband is home on fur-

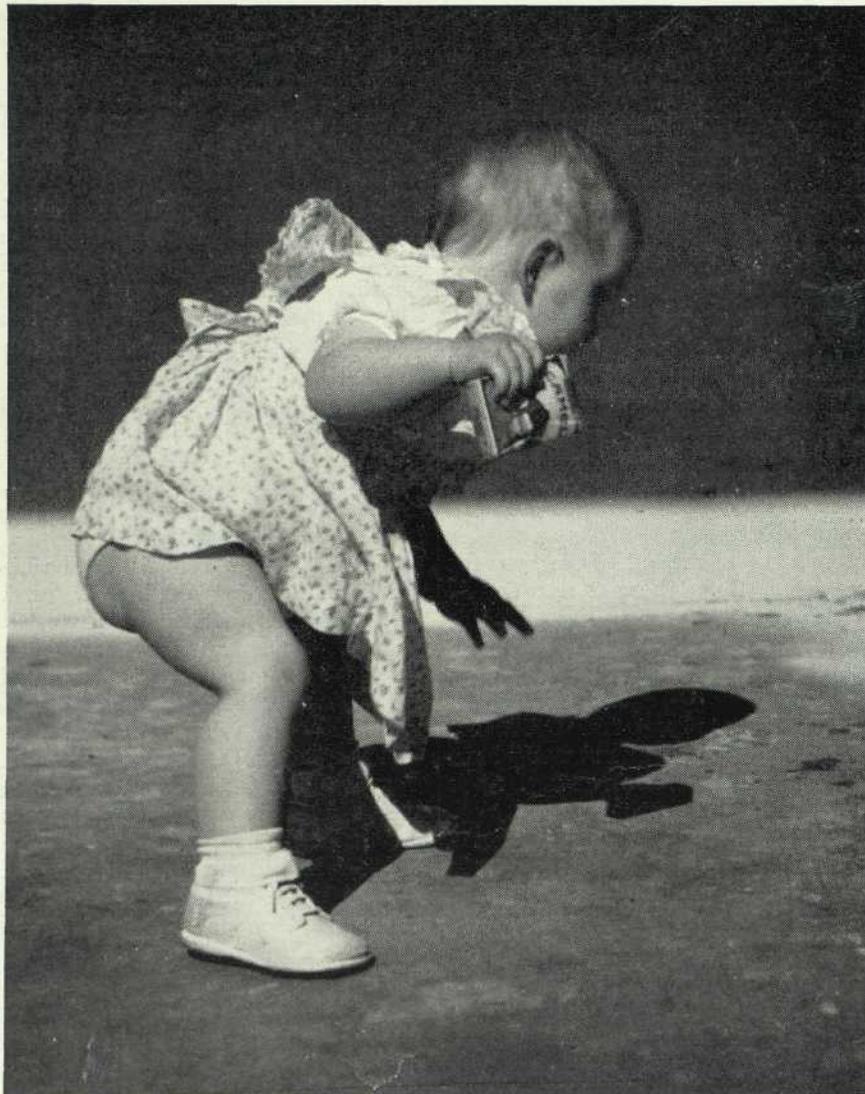
lough.

**Bill Bone** wishes to inform Argus fishermen who have been trying to get fish out of North Lake that a 19-inch bass, weighing 5¼ lbs. was caught there last week. Seeing is believing, Bill!!

**Jerry Buhrman** is at Naval Training Station, Great Lakes, Hi, Jerry! We hope you will be dropping in to see us soon.

Since the last issue of *Argus Eyes*, **Arvid Andresen** has discovered that he has to compete with strong competition from **Al Stohrer**.

## SANDY McCOY DISCOVERS HER SHADOW



The only reason we don't hear more about little **Sandra McCoy**, age 18 months, is that V-mail forms are only so big and her doting daddy, **J. L. (Mac) McCoy** can only write about 300 words

Re: Sandy in each letter. Actually, we don't blame him, because Sandra has turned out to be a very photogenic little piece of femininity. (Taking after her mother **Marge**, no doubt, because a glance



at Mac's picture will instantly dispel any other theory).

Mac, who left our Advertising Department to become a lieutenant J.G. in the Navy, is now a full lieutenant in the photographic section, of course, aboard the **USS CENSORED**. He is currently in the Pacific area. He recently spent a 6-week leave on the west coast with **Marge** and little **Sandra** whom he had seen only once before. In the snapshot of **Miss McCoy**, she is shown discovering her own shadow for the first time, and seems quite intrigued with it.

And while we're on the subject, the Argus Sales and Advertising offices, through the *Argus Eyes* column, would like to say hello, good luck, and hurry home to Mac.

# FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

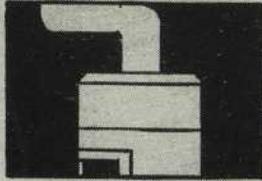
OCTOBER 8 to OCTOBER 14

## Keep the Home Front Strong! GUARD AGAINST THESE PRINCIPAL FIRE CAUSES:

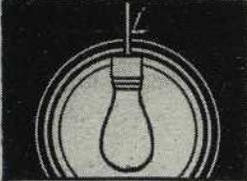
1. SMOKING AND MATCHES



5. DEFECTIVE HEATING EQUIPMENT



2. ELECTRICAL



6. RUBBISH AND SPONTANEOUS IGNITION



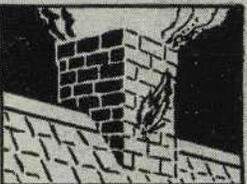
3. SPARKS ON COMBUSTIBLE ROOFS



7. LIGHTNING



4. DEFECTIVE CHIMNEYS



8. FLAMMABLE LIQUIDS



## TO SPEED VICTORY—DEFEAT FIRE!

### Do You Know--

That every minute of the day and night somebody's home or place of business in the United States is destroyed by fire?

That careless smoking and disposal of matches causes more than one-fourth of our dwelling fires?

That about 40 fires a day are started because electric irons were left in circuit?

That "good housekeeping" is just as important in the place you work as it is in your home?

That some 400,000 fires occurred in homes during the past year and the majority of them were attributed to one of the following causes . . . Rubbish, Defective Chimneys, Sparks on Combustible Roofs, Defective Heating Equipment, Careless Smoking and Use of Matches, Flammable Liquids, Electrical Defects?

That the week marking the anniversary of the great Chicago Fire is chosen as FIRE PREVENTION WEEK? OCTOBER 8-14, 1944, not as just a 7-day period for quickly forgotten programs, but rather as the initial week of a year-round activity which is promoted to make America a safer homeland?

### HAP HAZARD SAYS . . . Wear Your Safety Caps . . . or Else!

#### SCALP VICTIM REPORTED FAIR

The condition of Mary Jane Treese, 19, of 1221 Williams St., who suffered a scalp injury Thursday while operating a machine at the Peninsular Mfg. Co., is reported "fair" by Mercy hospital attaches.

Mrs. Bessie Eley, 34, of 836 Backus St., who witnessed the accident, a victim of shock as a result, is reported "fairly good."

Miss Treese's hair became caught in a shaft and before the machine could be stopped, her scalp was torn from above the bridge of her nose to the base of her head. Mrs. Eley and Miss Treese had exchanged machines just before the accident occurred. (from Ann Arbor News)



Walt Clawson celebrates his birthday surrounded by girls of his department. Nice going Walt and many more happy birthdays.

## BOWLING

by Ron

The Men's Bowling League will have started its fifth consecutive season by the time this appears in print.

The popularity of Bowling for recreation and friendly rivalry at Argus is well proven by the fact that four years ago we started a league of six teams. Every year the League has grown until today we have 24 teams and in addition there are two Ladies Leagues of twelve teams each.

An interesting development in the growth of the Leagues is the liking for names other than those designating groups from certain departments, and as few teams are made up entirely from any one department we think this idea is more in order besides furnishing a lot of fun, as each year more teams drop the old names and choose others more amusing, hopeful, or downright boastful. Needless to say, these names are more fanciful than accurate and in some instances the meaning, if any, is so obscure some explanation is necessary. Would you expect to get a strike of you were a **Chub**, or **chuck** more wood by being a **Woodchuck**? You might be sure of picking up those spares if you were a **Sniper**, that's true, but once a **Cellar Rat** always a cellar rat.

And this tendency is not confined to the mens' league. Indeed, the ladies are rabid about new names and with their imaginations, well you know what the radio drama announcer says, "Any similarity to actual places or events . . ." "Oh well, it's fun anyhow."

Your reporter could fill one whole issue by dwelling on the merits of the team he captains, but as every captain has chosen what he considers a winning combination it would hardly be fair to dishearten

them so early in the season, and it has never been our habit to brag anyhow. Suffice it to say that after bowling a practice match last week we feel very confident, very, *very* confident. It is too early for predictions but we need not worry about the maintenance team, says **Erv Braatz**. He reached his goal by captaining his team into second place last spring, so there is nothing left to shoot at. "Says He."

New words but the same old tune.

## Department 44

Anyone knowing of a house for rent please notify Mrs. Agnes Thurston.

Mrs. Evelyn Kearns spent Labor Day weekend visiting relatives in Grayling. She says they can talk about the Southern hospitality, but she'll take the Northern atmosphere.

Mrs. Bessie Coon received word that her son, Sgt. Carlton Coon, a gunner stationed in England, received the Air Medal. More power to him.

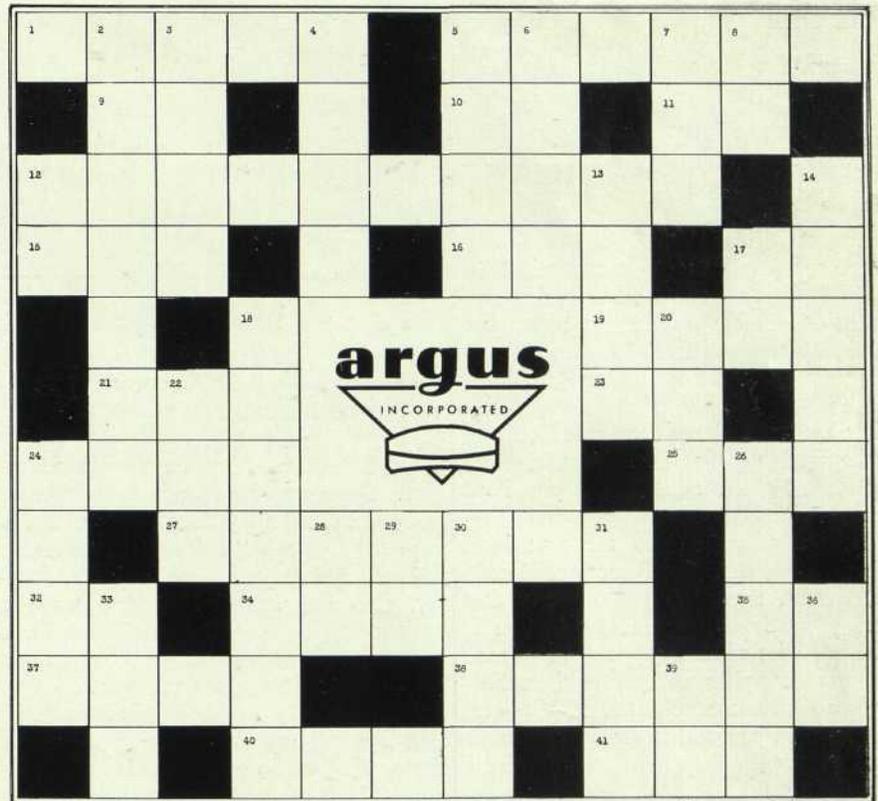
Mrs. Alice Hand has moved into her new home on 3rd Street. How's about a housewarming to help settle the furniture.

Wonder why **Wortley Palmerton** is walking to work lately! Rumors have it that **Ol' Thompson** got the best of him. You should see the car! That's alright, it sure is quiet and peaceful with no one to argue with.

Wonder why a certain girl goes around with a wide smile on her face! Could be a certain person is back in town.

Nothing like making the worker healthy and happy. **Frank Andrews** has been supplying the girls with fresh tomatoes from his garden.

## ARGUS CROSSWORD PUZZLE



### ACROSS

1. The Eyes Have it....(Mythology)
5. To screen
9. Accomplish
10. Graduate nurse....(abbrev)
11. Colloquial contraction
12. Descriptive of Homer Hilton
15. Day of the week....(abbrev)
16. To calculate....(abbrev)
17. 16th letter of Greek alphabet
19. Kind of cheese
21. An inebriated person (slang)
23. Mater
24. Favorite Argus beverage
25. Popular Argus host
27. River in Russia
32. Railroad....(abbrev)
34. Girl's name (Acctg. Dept.)
35. Toward
37. A South African of Dutch descent
38. Type of camera
40. Unburnt carbon
41. Measurement of weight

### DOWN

2. Latest Argus fledgling
3. A foolish person (slang)
4. Form of precipitation
5. Unfettered
6. Hostleries
7. Spasmodic motion of muscles
8. A measure of type
12. Afternoon....(abbrev)
13. An article
14. A type of crowbar
17. Father
18. Lathe workers
20. American historical society
22. Well known Argus salesman
24. She's quite an artist
26. Many times
28. He raises beautiful gladiolas
29. What you don't use to end a sentence with
30. A fraction of
31. Collection of logs
33. A slender bar used in mixing chemicals
36. Beast of burden
39. Behold

### GINNY and BABE



The marriage of Virginia A. Meyer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Meyer of Pauline Blvd., and Harold C. Peterson of W. Hoover Ave., son of Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Peterson of Willmar, Minn., took place at 7 o'clock Saturday night in the rectory of St. Thomas Catholic church with Rev. Robert Allen officiating at the ceremony.

The bride chose a two-piece light blue dress with eyelet lace trimming. She wore a matching feather hat, black accessories and a cream-colored rose corsage. Her sister, Mrs. William Betke of Westover Ave., was the matron of honor and wore a brown silk dress with white pleated organdy trimming. Her accessories and hat were also of brown and her corsage of white carnations.

Vincent Swickerath of Davis Ave. was the best man.

A dinner for the immediate family was given following the ceremony at the home of the bride's parents.

### Personnel Department

Constance Bezirum, who was employed by the Personnel Office as a Personnel Record Clerk since June 28th of this year, left on September 9th to start making arrangements to return to the University this fall. She will be working for her Master's Degree with a major in Sociology. We are very sorry to lose her but hope she will make as big a success in her studies as she did in her work with us here at Argus.

Another departmental casualty is Rita Graybill. She married Bob Krebs in Appleton, Minnesota on Friday, September 15th. Bob returned from Italy a week ago after two years in the Army, collected Rita and rushed her to the altar. Bob's father has been ill and is unable to travel, so the wedding was in Appleton. Rita may come back to us if Bob is sent back overseas.

We are very glad to welcome Mrs. Virginia Fox, the new Personnel Record Clerk. Mrs. Fox started to work in that capacity on September 11, 1944. She is another of the admirable group of women who are "carying on" while their husbands are overseas. Good luck, Virginia, and we hope you will enjoy working with us so that your stay here will not be a brief one.



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### Productive Service

Fred Mowrey, our A representative, is visiting friends and relatives in Van Wert, Ohio.

Bill Clemons is ill at the Veteran's Hospital, Dearborn, Michigan. Elmer Myers and family called on him Sunday. He is improving, but would be glad to hear from anyone. (Best wishes for a speedy recovery, Bill, for we're all looking for you back soon).

Rolland Ranson is catching up on his home duties during his vacation.

Cliff Traviole has been so busy these days making improvements in the stock room, what with new desks and paint. It doesn't look the same. Even the clock has

new quarters. (We've always wished that there were more hours in the day).

A visit to Muhlinberg College, Allentown, Pa. to visit his son, Ward Jr. stationed there in the V-12 Unit, was enjoyed by Ward D. Peterson, Sr. late in August.

### VIRGINIA MARSH WEDS PFC. KENNETH HURST

Virginia, of the payroll department, returned from her vacation a married woman . . . the lucky man is Pfc. Kenneth Hurst, and the happy event took place on September 3rd at Gainesville, Texas. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Pough, chaplain at the Lutheran chapel.

### Machine Shop Burr Bench, Plant II

Social Event of Interest: Donna Rice played hostess to a shower at her home for Maxine Pierce. Everyone had a grand time and Maxine received some lovely gifts even to the ribboned gift from Mac. Eh, Maxine?

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Crime News. Janet caught slaughtering flies with production sheets. There should be a law ag'in it.

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Gossip. Sucker stunt of week was displayed by a certain gal taken in by the street photographs. Is her face red!

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Helene's fighting partner, George, has returned. Good luck, kids!

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Becky giving imitations of the husband. Gravel Gertie has come into her own. Watch out, Focusing Mounts.

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News Event. Those pleasant moments spent on our rest periods with the Machine Shop have been discontinued. "Those factory bells are breaking up that ole Gang of Mine."

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Best Excuse for Being Late, by Virginia. Claims bug riding on small hand of clock stopped it. Come now, Virginia!

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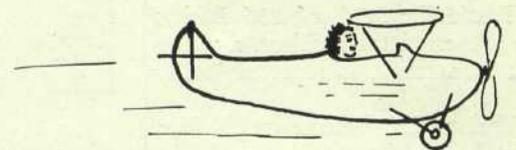
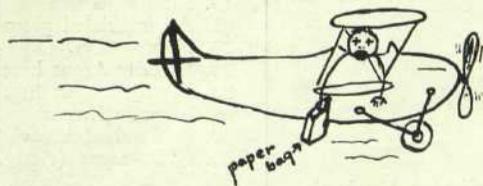
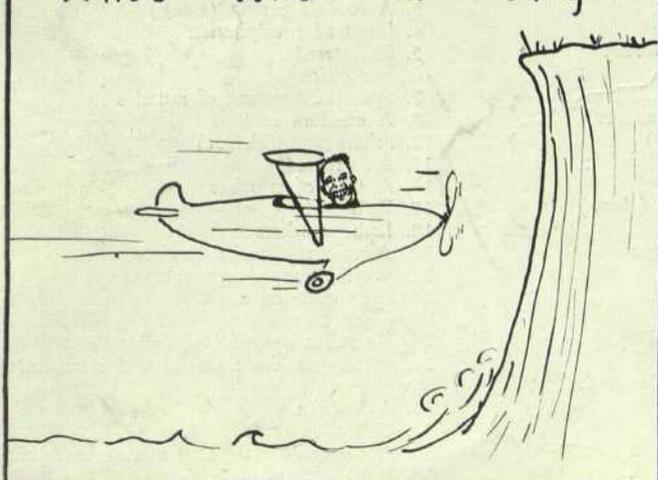
We want to welcome Amabella Minah Heckman to our department.



### Guess Who?

If anyone wishes to make a change or addition in the addressograph plates of military service employees, send a note to the Personnel Department and be sure to date it. Then the Personnel Department will post the change to their records, and send it on to the addressograph unit. The addressograph operators will not accept any changes in military service unless initiated by the Personnel Department.

### Who's Who at Argus



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