

Argus eyes for Victory!

New Plant Paper Is Sponsored By Recreation Club

The department representatives of the Argus Recreation Club held a meeting Monday, August 24th. The meeting came to order at 7:30 in the office conference room.

Twenty-three representatives answered the roll call, although not 100% attendance, this was considered very good. Some departments, it was discovered, were without representatives. This was especially true in the newly formed departments. However, before the November business meeting takes place, the executive committee hopes to get representatives from every department.

A group picture of the representatives was taken by Dick Bills, company and "Argus Eye" photographer. This was followed by a report by Vernon Heck on the Club's part in publishing the newspaper. It was learned that the paper would be printed once a month and be financed jointly by the club and the company. The paper is to be purely an employees' paper, with all material contributed by them. To levigate this, club representatives will act as news collectors for their departments.

Name Staff

An editorial staff, comprised of Harold Kroll, Glenn Engall and Jean Crandell was appointed. The paper is to be distributed to all company employees without charge.

Old business was dispensed with by the voting in favor of the appropriation of \$25 to be given to the "Argus Softball Team." This sum is used to convert their miniature silver softball awards to gold ones. These awards were for the winning of the industrial league championship. As an additional reward, a cup is to be bought for the team by the club, on which the names of the players will be engraved. This cup is to be retained by the club and displayed in some proper place.

In order to expand the club's activities, two more committees were appointed. The first being an entertainment committee, whose duty it would be to arrange dances, parties and other forms of entertainments. This committee is comprised of Thelma Faber, Jean Crandell, Vilnie Westerman, E. Smith, Herman Bauer, Naomi Knight and Vernon Heck.

The second committee's duties are to handle all problems arising from club-sponsored athletic activities. This committee is comprised of Laura Egler, Jesse Cope and Paul Haines.

Will Award Cup

It was then decided that all championship teams in their respective sports be awarded cups. The club will retain and display these in some designated place.

The club decided to expand the sponsorship in sport activities, and \$420.00 was voted for the purchase of the men's and women's bowling team shirts.

In order that the club be conducted as an organized group, it was voted to have membership cards printed and passed out to each member by the department representatives. A fee of 25 cents shall be collected for each card and will be used to pay the cost of the printing and handling. This card shall entitle the holder to all the advantages and privileges of the club. Neil Podewils, Dept. 24, was appointed to design and order the cards.

The club, deciding to do its part in the war effort, decided to buy \$500 worth of war bonds, these bonds to be held by the club and to be used as the future warrants. The meeting adjourned at 10 o'clock.

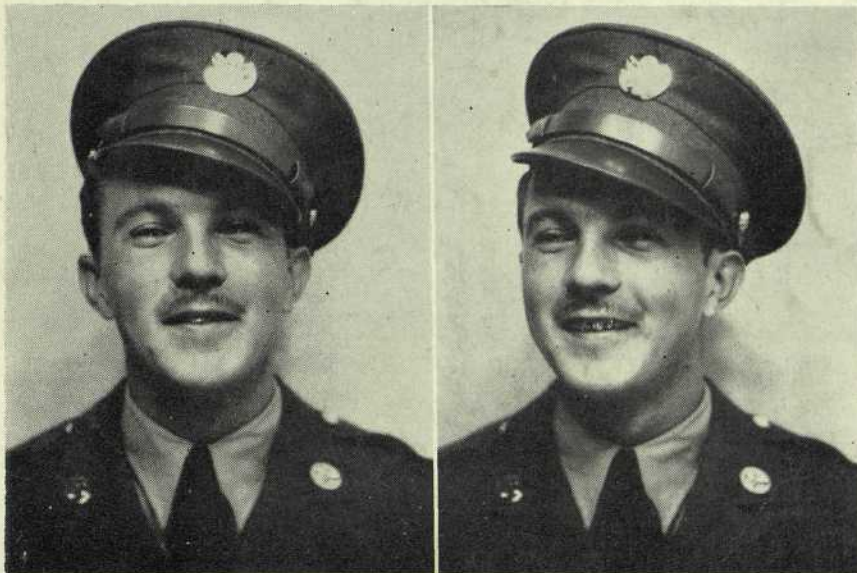
The "Argus Recreation Club" is a club made up of employees of the International Industries, Inc., all of which are free to join.

Club activities are decided by representatives in group meetings. One or more representatives from each department, the meetings being held once a month or by special call.

The club sponsors dances, picnic and other forms of entertainment, also sport activities such as softball, bowling, basketball, etc.

A membership card is being made out for all employees. Join by paying your representative your yearly dues of 25 cents and receive your card.

ARGUS AIR CORP GUNNER GETS NAZI



SGT. MELVIN BAHNMILLER

By K. KAUFMAN

Sgt. Melvin BahnMiller sends his first German plane to earth. It happened on September 7, Labor Day, when, returning from a successful bombing mission on Rotterdam in Holland. Sgt. BahnMiller was flying with a squadron of B-17's, Boeing Flying Fortresses, as a waist gunner, when they were attacked by a group of about 50 yellow nosed Focke-Woulfe fighter planes. It was in this scrap that our friend shot down his enemy, and ours, too. Goering's squadron of F. W. fighters are one of the fastest and deadly planes of that type. Besides numerous machine guns, it is equipped with a 20 millimeter cannon that can literally blast an aeroplane out of the sky.

In civilian life, the Sgt. was a very good worker and very well liked by his friends. Needless to say, he is a hero to them all now.

Previous to enlisting in the Army Air Force, he was employed at Argus in the lens department. Also Captain of one of our bowling teams. Last but not least, he enjoyed hunting and was an excellent shot. He has proven that.

After entering the Army, Sgt. BahnMiller had been stationed at Jefferson Barracks, Mo.; MacDill Field, Fla.;

Brodenton Field, Sarasita, Fla., Texas, New Mexico, California and Maine. His squadron, the 341st, is stationed somewhere in England.

From the Ann Arbor paper:

"Finally Got Mad"

Sgt. Melvin BahnMiller, 22-year-old bombardier and gunner, who is credited with being the first Ann Arbor airman to shoot down a German plane, had a bad few minutes as Nazi fighters attacked his bomber during a raid by Flying Fortresses over Amsterdam last month.

According to belated news accounts received here, Sgt. BahnMiller's hand froze when he had to change his oxygen mask—the mercury is almost out of sight up where the Fortresses fly—and he was unable to operate his gun in the waist of the ship as he saw the enemy Focke-Wolfes zoom up.

"I just sat there and watched them come in, thinking, 'Now we're going to get it,'" he said afterward. "Finally, I got so mad I just took the frozen hand and gave the gun a bang and it started working."

The local youth didn't say so, but apparently it worked pretty well.

Christmas Packages to All Service Men Must Be Mailed Early

Officers of the Army Postal Service are urging that Christmas packages, cards and letters for men overseas be mailed between October 1 and November 1, pointing out that anything mailed after the latter date will very likely not reach the soldier in time for Christmas. "The earlier the better," is the word. With cargo space at a premium, packages should be kept to a minimum in size and weight. No package over 11 pounds, 18 inches long or 42 inches in length and girth combined may be mailed, and only one package a week per person will be accepted for mailing. Packages should be endorsed "Christmas Parcel."

Both War and Navy Departments request that no food or clothing be sent.

Because of the distances involved, parcels must be substantially packaged and wrapped. Perishable and fragile articles should be well protected. Among prohibited items are intoxicants, matches and lighter fluids, poisons and compositions which may damage the mails. Each parcel is subject to censorship.

Classified ad in the Ogden (Utah) Standard-Examiner:

"Owner of 1940 Ford would like to correspond with widow who owns two tires. Object matrimony. Send picture of tires."

To Keep 'Em Rolling, Seventeen Argus Girls Give Up Rest Periods

One of the biggest bugs in Plant No. 2's battle of production—single lens polishing—has been remedied to some extent through the cooperation of 17 girls who have volunteered to sacrifice their usual two daily rest periods in order that their machines might be kept rolling the full 54 hours a week.

Since the rest periods were for 15 minutes each, or half an hour daily, it might seem that production on the single polishers should rise only about 5 per cent, but with no interruptions morning or afternoon, it is estimated that those lenses with the sharpest curves will be turned out at a much faster rate from now on.

The girls who are now working without rest periods are: Marie Trenary, Gwendolyn Nehmer, Elizabeth Snell, Mary Mercier, Jean Lashy, Catherine Mirisse, Dolores Wiederhoft, Ruth Romelhardt, Myrtle Woodworth, Dorothy Solomon, Lillian Hurt, Eilene Wolford, Alvina Brasson, Muriel Delbridge, Ann Andrews, Jane Moore and Olive Nordman.

NOTICE TO ALL MALE EMPLOYEES WITHIN THE SELECTIVE SERVICE AGE LIMIT

Carry your registration certificate with you at all times.

The Selective Service law requires you to have this card available for inspection at all times.

The Guards at our Plant who are under Military Control when on duty, are privileged to ask to see this card before you can enter our Plant.

Bowling Blues

When the new scoreboard went up on the lunchroom wall, the Old Prognosticator was amazed at the great number of "timber tumbler." This year's eighteen quintets will certainly make every Friday night Argus night at the Twentieth Century Ten-Pin Palace. Turning to his crystal ball, ouija board and phrenological charts for a look-see into the future, he went into a ten-minute trance with coffee—no sugar, please! A note of introduction here—The Old Prognosticator is a seasoned weather forecaster. Since weather forecasting (out loud) is now a non-essential occupation, the old gent is turning his talents to predicting sure things like the A. L. Yankees winning the baseball World Series.

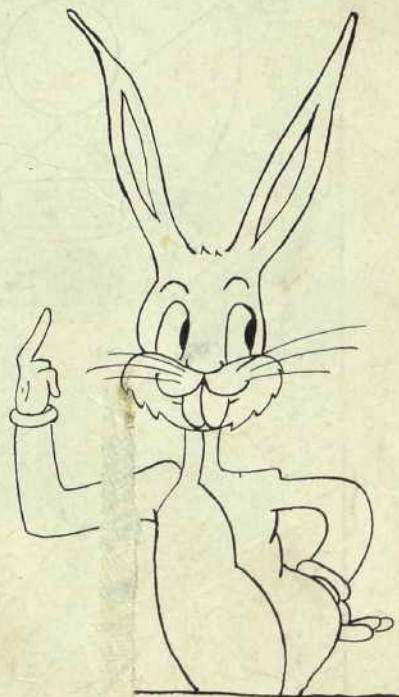
Playfully he predicted a — day for the annual Bowling League Banquet and Domino Festival. He predicted a better chicken dinner for 1943, too!

Mumbling mystically, O. P. tripped out of his trance with the following predictions. One cannot doubt the veracity of old P's choices. Not until the season is over. So here goes—

1. Army
2. Bendix Wildcats
3. Lens Machine
4. Office No. 2
5. Tool Room
6. Office No. 1
7. Bendix Inspection
8. Lens-Prisms
9. Maintenance
10. Machine No. 1
11. Lens Office
12. Stock Room
13. Machines
14. Lens—Tool Room
15. Material Control
16. Lens Blocking
17. Cost Accounting
18. Paint Shop

NEWS FLASH!!!

"Jimmy" Lau was so excited over his dog presenting him with five little puppies that he came to work today wearing a pair of shoes that aren't mates. One is black and the other a dark brown.



MARIE BARBIER

argus eyes
for Victory!

The purpose of this publication is, in Samuel Johnson's words, "to keep our friendships in constant repair." ARGUS EYES for Victory is a friendly publication intended to interest, help and stimulate all employees of the International Industries, Inc. The co-operation of everyone is needed to make it the inspiration and constructive help it is hoped to be. It will be published monthly.

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THE ARGUS RECREATION CLUB

**Let's Act on These
Stimulating Words
From Homer Hilton**

To: Guy C. Core.

Dear Guy:

Having just learned you are now editing the first issue of a monthly magazine to be published by the Argus Recreation Club, to be called "Argus Eyes for Victory," I want to send you my sincere good wishes for your success in making this a very interesting issue, to be followed by others, with increasing personal appeal to all of our employees.



HOMER HILTON

During my 25 years of factory work, I have run across quite a number of similar publications, some of which were most effective in creating a friendlier feeling among the employees of the company. In this day and age of rush and hurry, all of us have less time for personal contacts than ever before, so I am impressed with the possibility of Argus Eyes being so filled with personal items that all of us may be kept in touch with the social activities of our co-workers.

Inasmuch as our people are divided into two buildings, and two shifts, it isn't possible for us to have personal contact with some who are not in our own department. Argus Eyes can give that contact, by letting us know what the others are doing. More particularly, through Argus Eyes we can all be kept informed of the activities of our friends who have gone into uniform. By all means, send a copy of every issue to all of these fellows, and urge them to tell us what they can about what they are doing.

The Argus Recreation Club has an opportunity of doing great things for all of us, by immediately inaugurating and sustaining various kinds and sorts of social activities of interest to all of our employees, in addition to the Bowling League now formed. Why not have a theatrical group to put on plays, and a men's glee club, and a bicycle club for group rides. Also, why not petition the Company for sufficient space for a suitable club room, large enough so our girls, at least, may eat their lunch in peace and comfort instead of in the corridor where the tables are now located. Save the tables for the men, but let the girls have a pleasanter atmosphere in which to spend their lunch time. I'll donate a radio for the club room if such a gift is acceptable.

More power to you in starting Argus Eyes. I hope every employee finds interest in reading every issue.

Sincerely,

HOMER HILTON.

Heck and Howse Presenting Bond to Graham



Shown in the picture is Frank C. Graham, tool crib employee, receiving first prize from Mr. Howse, president of International, and Verne Heck, Argus Recreation Club president, for winning the Argus paper-naming contest, held in August of this year. Frank's title, Argus Eyes—for Victory, was selected from some three hundred entries submitted for prize consideration (one twenty-five dollar U. S. War Bond).

The judges who selected the title from among the three hundred entries are as

follows: Esther Schaeffer, Morris Doll, Guy Core, Mr. Brotherton and Verne Heck.

"Argus Eyes—for Victory" is sponsored by the Argus Recreation Club and will be issued monthly. The paper will be distributed to all present International employees and those former employees now in our country's service.

We hope you'll enjoy it and submit any suggestions or information to your editors.

**Miss Margaret Schmitz
Married to Harry Sparks**

The marriage of Margaret Schmitz to Harry J. Sparks was August 22nd. The ceremony was performed at St. Andrew's Catholic Church, Chicago.

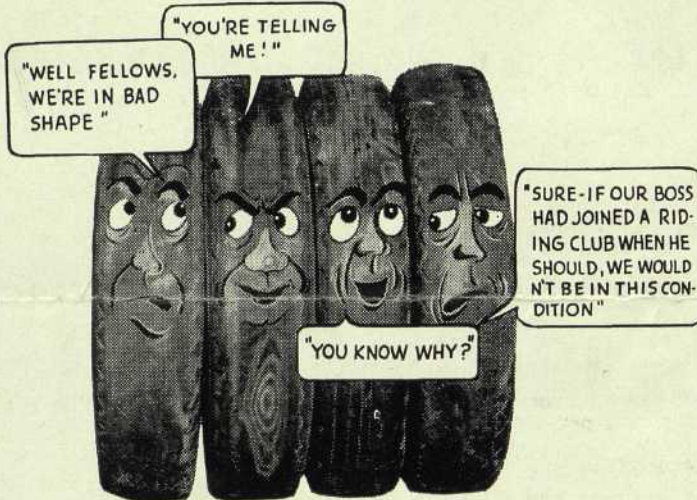
The maid of honor was Margaret Ryan of Chicago, the best man was Harry Crist of Polaski Indiana, also an employee of International Industries, Department 36. The bridesmaid was Madeline, the sister of the bride.



MR. AND MRS. HARRY SPARKS

The wedding was attended by relatives and many friends. The bride wore traditional white satin, and a bouquet of white roses. The maid of honor wore yellow roses and a bouquet of yellow roses, the bridesmaid wore blue chiffon and a bouquet of sweetheart roses. The groom and best man wore summer formals.

The bride and groom both of Chicago now live at 614 Forest Avenue, Ann Arbor.



SUPERMEN OF THE U.S. ARMY

SKY FIGHTER!

HIS HOBBY IS SWING MUSK! HE KEEPS A STACK OF HOT RECORDS IN HIS QUARTERS!

HE BUILT AND FLEW MODEL PLANES AS A SCHOOL-BOY AND STUDIED AVIATION ENGINEERING AT PITT-

LONG HOURS OF PRACTICE IN ACROBATIC FLYING HELPED TO MAKE HIM ONE OF AMERICA'S GREATEST FIGHTING PILOTS!

LT. COLONEL BOYD "BUZZ" WAGNER U.S. ACE!

WAGNER, 26 YEAR-OLD JOHNSTOWN, PA., PILOT, IS SAID TO BE THE YOUNGEST LIEUTENANT COLONEL IN THE U.S. ARMY AIR CORPS! HIS RECORD AGAINST THE JAPS IN THE PHILIPPINES WON HIM THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS FOR GALLANTRY IN ACTION!

IN HIS FIRST FORAY IN AUSTRALIA, BUZZ TOOK PART IN THE MOST TERRIFIC MASS DOGFIGHT OF HIS BRILLIANT CAREER! PLANES WERE TUMBLING AROUND IN ALL SORTS OF MANEUVERS, BATTLING FOR TWENTY-FIVE MINUTES UP AND DOWN THIRTY MILES OF COASTLINE! WAGNER SHOT DOWN THREE JAP PLANES IN THIS BATTLE!

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NORMAN EGELER

Norman Egeler is in the 53rd Quartermaster's Division, First Army Unattached. He was inducted April 3, 1941. He spent eight weeks training at Camp Lee, near Petersburg, Va. From there he was transferred to Fort Jackson, S. C., where he trained in heavy maintenance. He is now stationed at Fort Dix, N. J., awaiting orders to go abroad. He would enjoy hearing from old friends or anyone who would like to write to him. Address his mail to:

Pvt. Norman Egeler, No. 36108926
Casual Group T. U. P.
A. P. O. No. 1295
% Postmaster New York, N. Y.

Norman worked in our Paint Department. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Egeler of 550 South Ashley Street, Ann Arbor.

