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ARGUS EYES

Argus Eyes is published for the employees of Argus Cameras, Inc. and their families.

It is intended to be a means of friendly communication between them, and to provide a reliable source of information concerning the company's business.

Doris Walle of the Personnel department makes sure that news is gathered and that pictures are obtained and arranged in readable fashion for publication the last week of each month. Sam Schneider, Eddie Girvan and Bill Sturgis furnish photos.

Reporters for this month's Argus Eyes were: Arnold Macdonald, Babe Peterson, Jim Meldrum, Andy Argus, Bill Fike, Jim Brinkerhoff, Jim Rohrbaugh, Eddie Girvan, Frank Skoman, Art Parker, Jr., Grace Radford, Janice Bazely, and Juanita Boyd.

Cover Picture

The action shot shown on the cover is from a recent Michigan-Michigan State football game and was taken by Sam Schneider.

Also of interest to the football fans is the cover of the 1952 University of Michigan Football Program, which was also taken by Sam Schneider during a Michigan-Navy game.



Thank You

We wish to thank the Argus Recreation Club for their kind expressions of sympathy extended our family during our recent bereavement.

Mr. and Mrs. Brice Bennett.

REVIEWING ARGUS PROGRESS

By Robert E. Lewis

Our program of producing Military instruments has leveled off and does not require as much emphasis as heretofore. That means we are now in a position to give considerably more emphasis to our commercial production, both in products that we already have and new products that are in the offing. The leveling off of our Military production is caused by two things. First, we have accomplished many of the tasks that were ahead of us, and second, the Government is consciously stretching out its entire Military program so that the load is not as heavy as had been anticipated.

Materials for civilian products are now available to the extent that we feel will take care of our requirements. As many of you have noticed, our commercial production has been substantially increased. The demand for our products continues to be strong and we have been unable to produce enough, even at our increased rate, to satisfy the demands of our customers. Our extensive advertising campaign has had a strong influence in creating this consumer demand.

We have been very fortunate in the growth of our commercial business, but we are very much aware of the competitive period that lies immediately ahead of us. Our economy has been active in the post-war years. This had been caused to a large degree by filling the pipe line for products that people could not get during World War II, and by the Military program since Korea. The original shortage of consumer items that resulted from the war has since been filled. The Military program that has been brought about by the Korean situation has been reduced and stretched out, and American industry has been able to produce enough to meet these requirements as well as meet current civilian demands. In other words, we seem to be able to have guns and butter both.

All over the country there has been a large program of building new plants and facilities since the war. These new facilities are now available for manufacturing whether the products be for war or peace. That means unless there is a new flare-up in the international situation, American industry will be able to manufacture more civilian consumer goods than the American people can use. This means just one thing-----competition.

We are very conscious of this likelihood and are doing everything we can to strengthen our competitive position to meet the challenge. Our financial picture has strengthened in the last three years and we hope to see it become still stronger in the year ahead. Our buildings and machinery have been improved. We have become a stronger organization with more "know how." We have several new products. In addition we are in the process of learning new techniques that should lead to more efficient operation. Our Quality Control program and our Methods program are good examples.

It is important to all of us that we have finally reached the point where our Military program requires less emphasis. If I am correct in my assumption that we are going to face strong competition, it now behooves us to develop new products, improve our present products, develop new techniques, and improve our operations in general to keep our line alive and competitive.

Engineers Active in Society

The American Society of Tool Engineers, a national organization with headquarters in Detroit, sponsors educational programs and plant tours for the benefit of its members.

Argus is well represented in the local chapter with approximately thirty members. Heading the local group is Dave Lowber. Other Argus employees on the executive committee are Charles Tuthill, Editorial Chairman; Art Parker, Sr., Educational Chairman; and Jim Meldrum, Ticket Chairman.



Jim Fraser, John Sartori, Bill Fraser and Allen Terry all of the tool room, patiently wait for the rain to stop during a Saturday fishing trip.

Argus Represented in JCC Registration Drive

Jack Grimston, of the Inventory Control Department, is one of 55 Junior Chamber of Commerce members who have volunteered to work in "Operation Registration."

Those volunteers who pass an examination making them deputy city clerks will make a house to house canvass in an effort to sign up as many eligible but unregistered voters as possible for the coming national election November 4.

All employees who have not yet registered are urged to do so during the two week door to door campaign which started September 15.

Community Chest Campaign Leaders

This year's industrial division of the Community Chest is a new one. It is made up of the former industrial corporations and industrial employees units which functioned separately in previous campaigns.

Chairman of the industrial division is Robert E. Lewis; Dudley J. Scholten is vice-chairman in charge of corporate gifts; and James F. Brinkerhoff, together with Jack C. McCollum of King Seeley, is co-chairman of employee gifts in all Ann Arbor plants.

Ann Arbor Area Industrial Blood Bank

By this time you will have received our letter and enrollment card for the Ann Arbor Area Industrial Blood Bank. Because of the great importance of this project, a card is being enclosed in this issue of Argus Eyes, so that if your letter went astray or if you may have lost the card, another is available.

The Ann Arbor Area Blood Bank has been organized for the purpose of providing necessary blood at all times to all employees and to the Armed Forces. Benefits will also be extended to all members of an employee's immediate family who are a part of the employee's household provided they shall receive the major part of their support from the employee; further the benefits shall be extended to the employee's parents and grandparents, and the parents and grandparents of the employee's spouse, where possible. Blood will be supplied by the employees and families of the Member Industries and will be stored at the University Hospital.

Each associate member of the Blood Bank (for example; Argus, King Seeley, American Broach, etc.) shall furnish for blood donation, 24 donors for each 100 employees, if possible. These donations will establish our credit with the Bank. The Member Industries shall be called upon in their turn and a time shall be set for the donations. All donations shall be made at the University Hospital because it has the greatest facilities in the country for the storage of blood. The Red Cross will transport donors to the hospital and if the donations are made during working hours, time from work will be paid up to two hours.

The Red Cross shall be the "Banker" and deposits and withdrawals shall be made through that organization. When you or a member of your immediate family need a blood transfusion, you will apply to Grace Radford, Argus' authorized representative, who will notify the Red Cross. The Red Cross will approve the transfusion in a local hospital, transport blood to nearby hospitals and arrange for blood credit at large hospitals anywhere in the country. If for some reason you should be out of touch with a hospital, the blood will be transported to you if possible.

Wherever you are, under normal circumstances at home, or under emergencies away from home, blood will be available to you and all members of your immediate family.

You are urgently requested to sign the donor cards and return them immediately to the Personnel Department.

Community Chest 1952

The Community Chest opens in Ann Arbor, October 13, and will extend through October 24, 1952. For many years Argus, and Argus employees with your generous contributions, has been an outstanding contributor to the Chest. To help with campaign publicity, a very fine series of pictures of the various agencies and their activities were taken by Sam Schneider, Argus Photographer. These pictures will be shown to our campaign solititors prior to October 13.

The Chest has established \$162,500 as its goal. You will note that this is slightly less than last year and has been made possible by reorganizing and paring expenses to a minimum in spite of general rising costs. The quota for the employees of the industrial division is \$15,423 and the quota for the company gifts is \$18,166. One solicitation only will be made to achieve this goal. It will take the combined efforts of us all to make it.

A review of the agencies that depend on the Community Chest is as follows:

Young Men's Christian Association	American Cancer Society
Young Women's Christian Association	Dunbar Community Center
Girl Scouts of America	Community Nursing Council
Boy Scouts of America	Perry Nursery School
Michigan Children's Aid Society	Salvation Army
Family Service	Public Health Nursing Association

For the first time, we at Argus are going to include the Red Cross in this drive, thus eliminating a second drive next spring. Money will be allocated on the same basis as last year's contributions.

Also for the first time, those of you who live in towns outside of Ann Arbor can contribute at Argus and your contributions will be credited to your communities. By making your contributions here at Argus, your dollars will go twice as far because Argus, as a company, will match your contributions dollar for dollar.

The minimum average contribution to make our drive a success is \$5 per employee. Contributions can be made in cash or by payroll deduction for any number of pay periods up to one year.

Give Once For All

Eddie Girvan Reports on Scotland



Amateur photography in Scotland, judging from the section I visited, is practically non-existent. It is fortunate for Argus and for those who work here that we are not burdened with the oppressive taxes and low wages that exist there.

PHOTOGRAPHIC SUPPLIES LIMITED

One of the main events in Largs, a seaside resort in Ayrshire, is the "Crowning of the Queen." It is an annual affair and attracts thousands of spectators. I counted nine cameras as I walked along the parade route just before it started. In Ayr, also a popular seaside resort, I counted eleven cameras during the day I spent there. I took the opportunity that day of visiting the largest photographic store in that city and talked with one of the clerks. In addition to the high cost of photographic supplies, most of which have 100% purchase tax, the supply is meager as evidenced by the store's supply of Kodachrome. They are "Permitted" as he put it, twelve 20 exposure rolls per summer and he had some left. The cost of a roll is twenty four shillings and one penny, or \$3.44. That appears to be a slightly lower price than we pay at the local store, but when you are told that the average wage for a working man is 37¢ per hour then things look different. As it is impossible to compare prices without comparing wages it is best to use the man hour or effort required to buy an item. Taking a conservative pay rate for the "working man" here as \$1.50 per hour, it means that the Scot has to work 9 hours and 20 minutes for that Kodachrome which costs the Argus employee 2 hours and 24 minutes. The same applies to a package of #5 flash bulbs, 3 hours against 45 minutes; film developing 20 minutes against 4 minutes; and 8 x 10 enlargements one hour 15 minutes against 30 minutes. A light meter which costs 76 hours and 20 minutes there costs 14 hours and 20 minutes here, and a 100 watt projector lamp 5 hours and 12 minutes to our one half hour.

PHOTOGRAPHY IS LUXURY

Is it any wonder, then, that photography is a luxury there? Imagine having to pay \$47 for an Argus 75. That, in effect, is what it would cost you here, as cameras of that type such as the Duoflex which is identical to the U.S. model, cost 31 hours of effort. Using that same measure your roll of film for that 75 would cost you \$1.80. To have it developed would be 50¢ and each 3 x 4 print an additional 30¢.

It is possible that photography is considered non-essential there and is thus priced out of reach as are radios, washing machines, vacuum cleaners, refrigerators and many other products which we consider part of our every day life here, but which are definitely luxuries there.

LAND OF EXTREMES

Scotland is a land of extremes where the butter allowance is 2 oz. per person per week, eggs one a week, and where doctors and hospitals cost you "nothing." A haircut is 24¢ but baked ham is \$1.25 per lb. The fixed price for steak is 42¢ per lb., pork chops 46¢ and other meats average 30¢ a pound. But you are allowed a total of 20¢ worth per week, when you can get it. A Parker 51 pen costs \$21 and the union rate for tradesmen carpenters is 45¢ an hour. The stores are loaded with candy (4 oz. per week) and fancy cakes medium price suit takes a full two weeks wages before deductions. The authorities insist that Britons are healthier than they have ever been and if fresh air, rain, walking and bare essentials are healthful they should be.

GOVERNMENT OWNERSHIP

The American system of free enterprise is such that the manufacturers are always striving for bigger and better operations but in Britain it had reached the point where even the public felt it was necessary to take the management of some of the major industries out of the hands of private owners. From our point of view Nationalization, or government ownership, is completely out of the question but we should remember that conditions in Britain have to be viewed in an entirely different light. The working man there points out that no attempt was being made to introduce improvements and the effort they put forth just couldn't compete with the highly mechanized industries in other countries. As a result when the offer was made to them by the Socialist government to do something they voted them in.

Fifteen Receive Suggestion Awards

Last month a total of \$317.41 was awarded through our suggestion plan. The following Argus employees were award winners:

Bob Hayes	\$129.30
Glen Alt	38.11
Vic Balmer	25.00
Thelma McLaughlin	15.00
Jim Barkley	10.00
Doris Walle	10.00
David Carpenter	10.00
J. D. Maple	10.00
Martin Sieloff	10.00
Harold Peterson	10.00
Nick Bandrofchak	10.00
George Hardin	10.00
John Kampas	10.00
George Betke	10.00
George Berkimer	10.00

Drop your suggestions in the Suggestion Boxes in the lobby of Plant 1 and Plant 2 and you, too, may be among the award winners.

Whether or not this will be better is something that only time will tell but it was evident that some action had to be taken. The operations remained in the hands of the same personnel but the management and profit is the Government's.

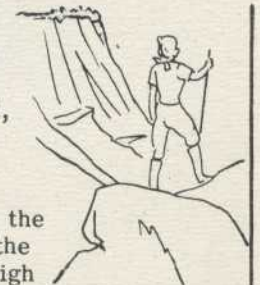
For people who have suffered a very conceivable hardship from participation in a war to tea cups without handles, it is amazing how cheerful they can be. To us they just exist but from their point of view things are better. More goods are available, better homes are being built for them and are available at a low rent. They just don't think they are as badly off as we think they are.

It is discouraging to realize that any overtime you put in or extra money you make will be of little value to you but after a while that too is "normal." As a British timestudy engineer who visited Argus explained, "The man who has 10 hours extra ends up with about 1 hour's value."

WAGES SUPPLY ESSENTIALS

Wage levels and prices are seemingly arranged that the regular wages, coupled with Government aids, supply the essentials. Anything earned above that is subject to high taxes and would be used to buy items that are highly taxed. That is where 1 hour's return for the 10 hours extra come in, and you can readily see that does not encourage initiative.

They know that the high purchase taxes (66 2/3% on electrical appliances) prevent them from buying many items and they realize that when they help manufacture an article it will probably be exported. This is not a very palatable situation but if, as they have been told, it leads to better things they are willing to try it. After all, what else can they do?



Can We Change The Profit Sharing Fund?

by Harold Peterson & Jim Brinkerhoff

In order to clear up some of the questions that are asked in regard to the Profit Sharing Fund, we went to see Talbot Smith, the Company lawyer. The main problem confronting the Managing Committee of the Fund has been the effect of loss of seniority through lay-off. Fortunately, we see no substantial lay-offs for the next year or so. In the past, however, we have had Argus employees who have been laid off because business conditions required a cut back. The policy of the Company clearly stated that after a period of twelve months following a lay-off, the employee loses any seniority that he or she had earned. In our Profit Sharing Fund agreement it states that policy concerning loss of seniority must be consistent with the Personnel policy. As a result of this, there are Argus employees who have lost from a year to almost three years of the time required to become a member of the Fund.

The Managing Committee of the Fund has been very sympathetic towards this problem and delegated us to review it in detail. We should also like to point out that this same policy affects those who are already members of the Fund. In other words, if it should be necessary to lay-off some of the members of the Fund, those who were not called back within the allotted year's time would have their employment terminated and would have to withdraw their share of the Fund. They would also have to wait their full three fiscal years before they could again be a member of the Fund. This was all explained to Mr. Smith, and then the question asked, "What can be done about it?"

He indicated that the Profit Sharing Fund is a trust fund that has been set up for all Argus employees who meet the requirements of the agreement of the Plan. Each member of the Fund has a vested interest or a fixed right, which is protected for him through the Trust Fund laws of the State of Michigan. If selected members of the Fund wished to make any retroactive changes, there would be a change in the vested interests of each of the members. By simple arithmetic it could be shown that the equity of the members would be reduced. Because of this, it would take a unanimous vote of the members to make the change. If one member of the Fund should enter a negative vote, the proposal would be defeated.

We then asked Mr. Smith the possibility of making an employee eligible for the Fund after three years of employment rather than at the end of the third fiscal year. In this same vein, we asked Mr. Smith the possibility of amending the agreement so that employees could become members of the Fund after a year's employment rather than the three years now required in our agreement. To both of these questions Mr. Smith gave the answer. "Even though these are not retroactive changes, there would be a change in the vested interests deferring only in a degree of the members who had waited their full three years. As a result, the strict application of the Trust law would again require a unanimous approval by the existing members of the Profit Sharing Fund." Mr. Smith then informed us that the Bureau of Internal Revenue also has a direct interest in any change of the Profit Sharing Fund because of certain tax benefits which are derived through the Profit Sharing Fund. As a result, any change, no matter how small would have to be presented to the Bureau of Internal Revenue for their approval.

Since we found it almost impossible to make any basic change in the plan itself, we decided to look further in

Grace Radford Celebrates Birthday at Fritz Park



"I'll get it!" Says Mrs. Radford.



Doris Walle gets the hot dogs.



Joyce Schlicht and Virginia Gregg busily at work chopping up onions

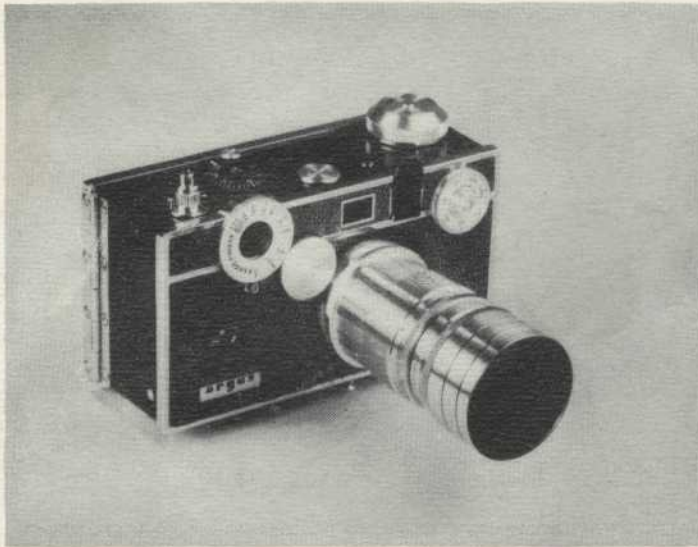


Dick Burris, Mac Watterworth Mary Burris & Fran Watterworth full and contented.

the field of personnel policy so that we could avoid some of the difficulties that have become apparent during the administration of the plan. We believe we have come up with the solution to many of these problems, and the company has approved the following seniority policy:

"Loss of seniority as a result of a lay-off will occur when the lay-off exceeds the individual's earned seniority at the time of the lay-off up to a maximum of three years." For those people who had less than one year service on September 1, 1952, this change will be effective in one year. For all others, it was effective on September 1, 1952. This liberalized policy will help to prevent some of the Profit Sharing Fund problems which came about as a result of the lay-offs.

Argus C3 Telephoto Lens



The Argus C-3 Telephoto lens made in Munich, Germany has made the Argus C-3 camera the most versatile camera in its price range.

The telephoto lens installs easily and quickly and couples automatically to the range finder. It is a 100 mm. coated four element F4.5 lens. It has two lens caps, a built in sun shade and filter holder.

Fishing Contest Rules

The Argus Recreation Club is again sponsoring a fishing contest. This year the contest will be based on an honor system so that a catch need not be brought to the plant to be measured and weighed. This information will be recorded on a Certificate of Catch. Copies of this form may be obtained from Art Parker, Jr. The competition will be divided into three divisions:

No. I. Recreation Area

The largest fish to be caught in the Argus Recreational Area (Independence Lake) in the following classes:

Bass	Winner	\$10.00
Pike	"	10.00
Perch	"	10.00
Blue Gills	"	10.00

No. II. Local Water

The largest fish to be caught, in any inland streams and lakes of Michigan, not including Great Lakes or the Detroit River, in the following classes:

Trout	Winner	\$10.00
Pike	"	10.00
Large Mouth Bass	"	10.00
Small Mouth Bass	"	10.00
Perch	"	10.00
Sun Fish	"	10.00
Blue Gills	"	10.00

No. III. Open Waters

The largest fresh water fish caught anywhere in the United States. Minnows to Muskies, and not necessarily a game fish.

Winner \$10.00

Fish caught in privately stocked, fee fishing or hatcheries areas are excluded from this contest.

The contest will be closed on December 1, and prizes will be awarded soon thereafter.

Newlyweds

Patricia Yek Weds Walter Strickland

At a double ring ceremony at the Zion Lutheran Church Patricia A. Yek, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Yek of Belmar Place, spoke her vows to Walter M. Strickland, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Strickland of Geddes Avenue.

The Rev. E. C. Stellhorn, who also married the bride's parents, officiated at the ceremony.

Following the reception held in the parish hall of the church, the new Mr. and Mrs. Strickland left on an Eastern wedding trip.

For the past four years Pat has been employed as an order clerk in the Sales Department.

Couple Honeymoon at Houghton Lake

Diane Gates, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Neal Gates, 1601 Shadford Road, recently became the bride of Edward Makielski at an afternoon ceremony performed at the Zion Lutheran Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Makielski, of 750 Arlington Blvd., are the parents of the bridegroom.



Mrs. Edward Makielski

Following a wedding trip to Houghton Lake, Michigan, the newly-weds are making their home at 7130 Platt Road, Ypsilanti.

For the past six months, Ed has been employed in the Cycle Inventory Department of Argus.

Shirley Kearney-Francis L'Esperance Speak Vows

Shirley Kearney of W. Liberty Street spoke her marriage vows recently to Francis L'Esperance, son of Mr. and Mrs. George L'Esperance of E. Hoover Avenue, at St. Thomas Catholic Church.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roland Kearney of Brown Street.

Immediately after the reception held at the American Legion Home, the couple left on a motor trip through Northern Michigan.

The bride's mother, Bernice Kearney, is employed in the Camera Assembly Department of Argus, and her husband is a machine operator in the Machine Shop.



You Asked Andy

Another month and more questions for Andy to answer. You really like to keep me busy!!

To start with a letter from "Satisfied Customer" seems to indicate that some don't agree with the "Starving Seven" about conditions in the cafeteria. "Satisfied Customer" is just that and approves of the new cafeteria set-up. Of course these letters are all anonymous---who knows maybe it comes from Ray Higgins! As Jim Brinkerhoff said, "All comments and suggestions regarding the cafeteria are welcomed. It is your cafeteria."

Next came a request for more ventilation in the machine shop restroom next to the degreaser. An exhaust fan probably would drag degreaser fumes into the restroom. Chuck Myers said it would be fixed and maintenance will get busy with some louvers to increase the fresh air intake.

Had three questions asking for a weekly pay period rather than the usual bi-weekly pay period. Turned this problem over to Dave Merriman who will look into the situation further to give us a better idea of whether or not it can be done.

It is definitely a problem and with the incentive pay plan in effect in most departments, weekly pay periods would be difficult. Seems to be a case of half as much money in half the length of time, or twice as much money in twice the length of time.

Evidently Mrs. Jane Guenther, the temporary matron on the first floor in Plant I did a fine job during her two weeks stay. Several letters patting her on the back were received from the girls. The maintaining of a clean and attractive restroom has been discussed with the matron. If any further problems arise, let me know.

Holiday Pay

"Why do we have to work the day before the Holiday and the day after to draw our pay when anyone on vacation gets paid for the Holiday?", was the next one that popped up.

Mrs. Radford answered this one and explained that this policy is common throughout the country and helps to avoid excessive absenteeism before and after a Holiday. It is unfair for those working full time to have others who wish to extend their Holiday, not do their share. The policy has been eased up recently so that

employees are not unjustly penalized in the event of personal illness, serious illness or death in the family.

A problem came up about the Argus Open Golf Tournament.

"Dear Andy:

"How come the Argus Open isn't open? I move that since only golf league members are allowed to play, the name be changed to the Argus Closed."

The committee chairman, John Shattuck, said it was supposed to be open. However, the golf ball prizes given were left over from the Golf League and it was decided only league players were eligible. After it was completed, John said about 1/3 of the players didn't enter the Open, so he saved some golf balls for next year's league play. The 1953 Argus Open will be open to all.

Gosh, I thought I was finished and I still find more.

Night Shift Petition

A petition from several night shift employees to receive their paychecks on Thursday evening rather than the usual Friday evening was turned over to be discussed by the Operating Committee.

The night shift will be paid on Thursday evening as requested. Frankly, the only objection to paying in this fashion is the possibility of unnecessary absences on Friday night. However, starting with the next pay period the night shift will receive their checks on Thursday evening. There may be occasionally a time when there is an error in the payroll machines which would prevent the paying of checks that Thursday evening. Since the payroll is not finished and completely sorted until nearly 5:00 P.M. on Thursday, it will be a tight squeeze.

To keep Andy busy someone requested information about our overtime system and the 40 hour scheduled work week put into effect.

I approached the Operating Committee regarding this letter and was told the actual work load in many departments during August had dropped off. Shortly afterwards, however, the commercial schedules increased to such an extent that overtime was resumed in the Tool Room, Engineering Department, and in selected other departments. The policy of the Company will be to extend overtime wherever it is necessary to get the job done. The feeling at the present time is that although there will be no blanket overtime, overtime work will be extensively available. Of course, not all groups are interested in overtime but it will be available wherever possible for those who wish to work.

And now for the last question sent

to Andy this month concerning our Fire Alarm System and its misuse. I checked with Jim Brinkerhoff about the false alarm sounded unknown to the switchboard operators and got the answer. The plant guards notified the switchboard there would be a false alarm at 7:00 in the morning. This false alarm did not come through until 9:00. As a result the people in the plant were not aware of the likelihood of a false alarm.



In another case the maintenance department was working on the system not realizing the alarm was hooked up on the sprinkler system. As we all found out -- it was hooked up and the fire department was here.

It is necessary and desirable that we check our system every 30 days as we do to make sure it is working. At the time of the test it is our policy to notify all people in range of the public address system that the system will be tested and the alarm will ring.

Since we recognize the problem of false alarms, the switchboard operators have been instructed and have followed the practice of reporting over the address system, "Please evacuate the building.", when the alarm goes off and they have not been notified there is work being done on the system or that the system is being tested.

This latter system worked perfectly several months ago when the plant was completely emptied within a very few minutes.

Keep your questions rolling in. I'll get you the answers.

Be seeing you.

Andy

Sun Bathers



The Frank Skoman family finds Independence Lake most refreshing and relaxing during a Sunday afternoon spent at the Family Site. Frank is employed in the Tool Room.

Farewell Party in Shipping Department

Honors Pat Rebman



Jim Conover, Bob Stoll and Ken Holzhauser give Pat their best wishes on her new venture.



Pat samples cake while Janice Bazely looks on.



Ed Kuehn and Herb Oliver deep in thought wondering if Pat will like her new position as a school teacher.

Tomatoes !?!



Ed Sleezer, of the Maintenance Department, likes to do things in a big way. Within ninety days the four beef steak tomatoes, pictured to the left, weighed 6 lbs. 3 ozs. As noted by the ruler, one alone measured over 5" in diameter. Wouldn't take many of these to fill a bushel basket!

THE ARGUS RECREATION CLUB
 will sponsor a
DANCE
 at the
 AMERICAN LEGION HOME
 SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4th
 with
 JOE FODER'S ORCHESTRA
 9:00 P.M. to 1:00 A.M.
 BRING YOUR GUEST AND ONE GUEST COUPLE



Mrs. Robert Lewis and little son Bill look on while her husband takes two of their daughters for a boat ride during a family outing at Independence Lake.

ANNIVERSARIES



Isabelle Nash
Administration
15 years



Edwin Nimke
Service
18 years



Irene McCowan
Final Inspection
15 years



Pauline Johnson
Machine Shop
10 years



Barbara Titus
Sales
10 years



Kirkland Fisher
Administration
10 years



James Rohrbaugh
Service
5 years



Ida Hubbard
Paint Shop
5 years



Ralph Warner
Lens Grinding
5 years



Leota Monson
Tabulating
5 years



Joann Steiner
Camera Assembly
5 years

Argus Men's Golf League

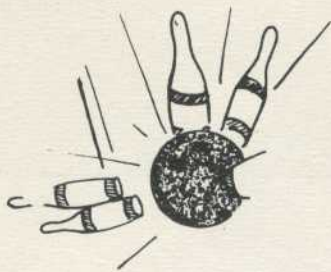


The 1953 Golf League and Tournament will be for both the Men and Women of Argus.

BOWLING

Sports Review

by Babe Peterson



Women's League

At the fall meeting of the Women's Bowling League, sixteen teams were entered and represented.

President Pat Yek Strickland appointed the following committees: Schedule - Virginia Gregg, chairman, Delia Burns, Rhea McLaughlin; Rules - Janis Brown; Financial - Leona Smith, Chairman, Laura Snearly and Sally Kneiper. Velma Hague was named to replace Millie Britton as Sargeant at Arms.

The bowling fees were raised to \$1.75 from \$1.50 to compensate for the change from a 12 team to a 16 team league this year.

The girls started spilling pins at the new Huron Lanes Bowling Alley, Wednesday, September 24.

Men's League



The lid was pried off the 1952-53 Argus Bowling Season on Friday, September 19, at the new Huron Lanes Bowling Alley. Eighteen hopeful entries

toed the line with each having his sights aimed at the top of the league standings when the season ends next April.

Last year's championship Quality Control Team is intact and naturally rules as the pre-season favorite. However, the Paint Shop will be out to regain the championship, and there are some new teams which will most likely bob up as serious contenders. All things point to another successful bowling year here at Argus.

Secretary Cope wishes to emphasize the importance of all players being present in ample time so that the scheduled starting time of 6:45 will be met. In the past few years, some bowlers have been consistently late and have caused a delay that can easily be avoided.

Golf Leagues



A very successful 1952 Argus golf season was brought to its conclusion with the playing of the Argus Open. It is doubtful if the leagues will ever enjoy a more exciting season than this one has been. The competition in all three leagues was exceedingly keen, and the champions of each were not decided until the last matches of the regular schedule had been completed.

DOYLE-CALADO TUESDAY LEAGUE CHAMPIONS

The Tuesday night league enjoyed a slam bang race throughout the entire season with ten of the sixteen teams having a chance for the league title. At the close of the regular schedule the teams of Doyle-Calado and Dobransky-Howe were deadlocked with identical 58 won and 32 lost records. Dobransky and Howe gained the tie by taking all six points from the team of Courtright and Kennedy. Joe was especially sharp in this match coming in with a well played 37. However, in the play-offs the team of Doyle and Calado was not to be denied the honor of winning the title and the individual trophies. George ended this very close match by "canning" a 15 footer on the ninth green.

GRIFFIN-SHODA WEDNESDAY LEAGUE LEADERS

Although the Wednesday night league had only six teams, the rivalry and competition was as strong as that of the day shift leagues. After a rather slow start the team of Griffin and Shoda began to show its class and built up a lead over their closest challenging team of Kaufman and Fridline. This margin held up despite a closing rally by the challenging team that was almost successful. The steady play of Griffin and Shoda was the determining factor in their winning the title.

THURSDAY LEAGUE TITLE CLAIMED BY PFABE-SCHLENKER

The Thursday night league was strictly a two team race between the teams of Pfabe-Schlenker and Shattuck-McClune, but these furnished enough fireworks for the entire league. In the early part of the schedule Schlenk and Herb seemed to have the title safely tucked away, but Chuck and John went on a winning spree that carried them to 30 straight points. This spurt narrowed the margin between the two teams so that the title hinged on the outcome of the battle between the two teams when they met on the last night. Despite the pressure of the match, the participants played very good golf with "Lefty" Schlenker dousing the hopes of the challengers with a birdie four on the ninth hole. It was a very fitting climax to a wild title race.

PFABE-SCHLENKER CHAMPIONS

In the play-offs between the winners of the leagues, for the honor of having their names inscribed on the Championship Trophy, the team of Pfabe and Schlenker again came through in great style. This time it was Herb who picked up the slack, and with the championship hinging on a twelve foot putt on the ninth green, calmly knocked it home. This marks the second consecutive year that this team has walked off with this honor. Congratulations to them and also to the team of Doyle and Calado who placed second in the play-off and Griffin and Shoda who trailed the other championship entries.

LES SCHWANBECK WINNER OF ARGUS OPEN

The Argus Open again this year proved to be a high light for our golfing season. Even though there were not as many entries as there were in the event last year, the competition was very strong. In the first three rounds Merle Myers was leading the pack, but his margin was so small over his challengers that the outcome depended upon the results of the fourth and final round. The four leaders at the end of the third round were placed in the same foursome to play the deciding nine holes. The pressure in the match was terrific, but it seemed to have no effect on Les Schwanbeck who played the match as if he were out there for the exercise. As a result of this relaxed play on his part, Les came in with a net of 31 which vaulted him from fifth place into the top spot and the winner of the Argus Open. Merle hung on just long enough to capture the runner-up spot with "Wild Man" Cummings taking the third spot.

Smokey Azary who had been the second place man up to the final round had one of those nights when everything went wrong and his final round bounced him out of the race for the trophies.

The league wishes to thank Eleanor Logan, our very efficient secretary, and all the committees for their splendid work.



Between the Deadlines

European Bound

A home in Europe for two or three years is in store for Esther McAuliffe formerly of the Engineering Department. Esther and her daughter will leave Ann Arbor September 30 on their journey to Lenz, Austria to join her soldier husband.

SERVICE NOTES

Cecil Lewis took his family back to Hubbard Lake this year. As it turned out, the weather was rather coolish so they took side trips into the surrounding country.

About her vacation Betty Patterson says, "It was just perfect!" She and her husband spent it at Bangor Lodge in Canada where they took part in organized games, rested and ate.

"Doc" and Wilma Benson decided to visit Virginia this year. It was a pleasant vacation "Doc" reports, but being feted by fond relatives can be just as rugged as working!

Helen and Bud Farrel spent a few days at North Lake just resting, fishing, and taking candid pictures.

With a new outboard motor in the trunk of his car, Herb Pfabe headed back to his favorite spot on Lake Huron again this year for fishing.

Mike and Audrey Michaels took a trip through the Smoky Mountains with their son, Bob, and his wife. Mike found plenty of picture subjects for his trusty Argoflex.

Bob Shondell and wife, Francie, took daughter, Chrissy, for a visit with Bob's brother in Napoleon, Ohio, on their vacation.

Good luck Charlie!

Friday, September 5 was the hardest day Charlie Miller ever put in at Argus, he says. The next day he was to start on his leave of absence after serving Argus faithfully since September of 1937. The Service Department's appreciation of Charlie as a friend and co-worker was concretely expressed in their gift to him of a Parker 51 pen and pencil set engraved with his name.

It's A Boy!

The little 5 lb. 14 oz. bundle at the home of the Bill McGinn's is their new son, Michael. Mike's big brother Dennis has already made his bid for attention by saturating himself with a bottle of mother's perfume.

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GIRVAN'S PHOTO CORNER

Clip and save in Loose Leaf Notebook to build a Photo Manual

Fall Photography

Many amateur photographers put their cameras in moth balls when the summer ends. They do not realize that some of the year's best pictures can be taken in the fall.

The football season is with us and interesting shots can be taken of the band formations and teams.

Exposures in bright sunlight are the same as those used for summer but instead of our normal 1/100 sec. at f8 we should use 1/200 at f5.6. The higher speed will stop the action and give the same negative density. When it is cloudy a change is required in the f opening and if you don't know how much then open up to f3.5. You will get printable negatives over a wide range of cloudiness. Of course, if it is dull weather you will have to slow the speed but unless you want a particular picture it is best not to take football shots under poor lighting.

In bright sunlight beautiful color shots may be had at 1/200 at f4.5. The basic rules apply, the light should be at your back or side and you should remember to set the footage scale at the correct distance. It is also well to remember that your lens is slightly lower than the view finder--so watch out for the guy in the seat ahead of you, his head may take up most of your picture.

Band formations are well suited to the regular lens as they are large and fill the frame but a particular "play" may take up only a small part of the negative. That's when a telephoto lens is needed but very few of us own one so we should be careful that the play to be photographed is not at the other end of the field. On 35mm. such a shot is a waste of film.

Fall also brings beautiful colors when the leaves change. The beauty of the color slides you get is limited only by the thought you give to the composition, and composition is only a word for an arrangement that appeals to the viewer. So look over the scene and shoot the part you like. It may be a whole hillside or it may be a close up of a few leaves. This type of shot is also best in bright sunlight or when the sun is hazy. Bright sun takes the regular exposure of 1/50 at f6.3 (between f8 and f5.6) and when it is hazy so that only soft shadows are cast 1/50 at f4.5 (between f4 and f5.6).

Look around this fall, there are many pictures you can take; the kids going to school, raking the leaves, the new cub scout uniform and many others that happen only at this time of the year.

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