

The Pioneer Plowman

PLOW SHARES
for the FARMER

PROFIT SHARES
for the BUILDER

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VOX POP

In each issue several DB employes will be asked to give their views on a pertinent question. The question asked for this issue was:

What type of questions would you like asked and answered in this column?

JOHN COLE, Maintenance Department: Most of the questions that have been asked in the past were very good, I thought. They covered many things of interest to all of us. I would suggest keeping the topics concerning our plant along the same general lines.



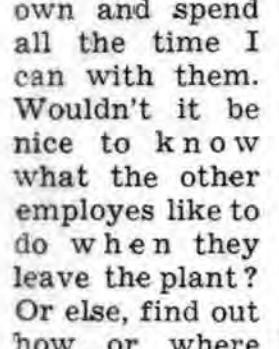
DAVE FREBORG, Tool and Die Department: How to improve service on repair parts. From comments heard from the people who buy our implements, this phase of our business needs the serious consideration of everyone in our plant and the entire Sears organization.



JEANNE REGNIER, Office, Purchasing: The questions I would like to see in Vox Pop are of the type that, when answered, would lead to better morale and welfare of all concerned at David Bradley. Also to improve the conditions of today for a better tomorrow.



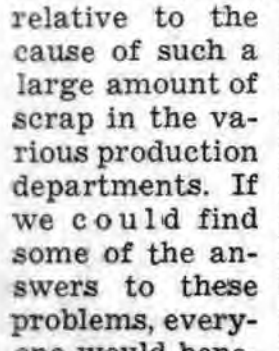
TOM TRAVIS, Warehouse: My hobby is horses. I have two of my own and spend all the time I can with them. Wouldn't it be nice to know what the other employes like to do when they leave the plant? Or else, find out how or where we can find more room to store implements in the warehouse. If we don't start shipping very soon, we won't have any more space.



ED THURSTON, Supervisor: I think questions regarding the personal viewpoint of the individual, relative to his likes and dislikes of his everyday work-life as far as David Bradley is concerned, since this type of question gives everyone an insight into his innermost thoughts of those around him and the conditions that should be met to better his life.



MICKEY BOURASSA, Heat Treat: Let's ask some questions relative to the cause of such a large amount of scrap in the various production departments. If we could find some of the answers to these problems, everyone would benefit and production costs would certainly go down.



R. W. Harwell Named Head Of Personnel

Appointment Follows Resignation of D.G. Moore

Announcement has been made by Ralph G. Rogers, General Manager, of the appointment of R. W. Harwell as Personnel Manager of the David Bradley Manufacturing Works.

He succeeds D. G. Moore, who resigned November 7 to join the staff of a Chicago consultant agency. Moore had been at Bradley for a year following an association of several years with Sears, during which time he had been a member of the staff of D/707 and had directed a nationwide employe relations survey for both retail and mail order divisions.

"Jess" Harwell has been at Bradley a little over a year and served as assistant personnel manager under both Moore and Bill Welch. During his Bradley service he has been chiefly active in labor and union relations. He came to Bradley from the Southern Territory regional offices of Sears' retail division, where he had been a member of the personnel staff and had administered the employe relations survey throughout the South. Prior to that he served as personnel manager in one of the larger Southern territory Sears stores.

Community Chest Chairman Thanks DB Contributors

The 1949 Community Chest drive at David Bradley netted \$750, it has been announced by Earl Goudreau, who acted as Plant Chairman again this year. This sum is the total contribution of 293 employes for an average of \$2.56 for each person who contributed.

"The employes of David Bradley can be sure they have the thanks and prayers of each of the 13 participating agencies in our Community Chest and from the many adults and children who are not as fortunate as we, and who depend upon these various agencies for help and, in many cases, the absolute necessities of life," Earl said.

"I'd like to personally add a word of thanks to all who made our campaign the success it was. I think you all did a grand job," he concluded.

IT'S A BOY!

Johnny Usewicz is a proud man these days. A brand new 7½-pound boy, Jerry Lee, was born last Thursday.

VISITORS BARRED IN SAFETY MOVE

In recent weeks a number of people have been observed wandering around the plant during working hours. Some of these adults were accompanied by their children. As this is an unsafe practice and is contrary to company policy, management has found it necessary to halt this procedure as a safety precaution.

While visitors are taken through the plant occasionally, they are escorted by an authorized person, who assumes their responsibility.

Persons other than those regularly employed should contact the Personnel Department, should they have business to transact with workers, supervisors or others in the plant.

Plant's 310,000 Feet of Warehouse Space Bulging to Capacity and More Implements Being Made Here Daily

SOMETHIN'S JUST GOTTA GIVE!



The above photos show the David Bradley warehouses, which are "splitting at the seams!" Everything possible is being done by Management in an attempt to alleviate this condition.

New Policy Adds Protection For Profit Sharing Members

(Reprinted from the November 17, 1949, Issue of Sears News Graphic)

Employees with less than five years of service with the company, laid off for lack of work and rehired by Sears within a year (with continuous company service), on and after January 1, 1949, may now have their Profit-Sharing accounts set up just as they were before the layoff occurred.

That's the latest Profit Sharing policy change. It was approved by the Fund trustees last June. The recommendation came from the Employees' Advisory Council. It was recently put into operation.

If employes wish to redeposit savings, and the interest paid them by Profit Sharing when laid off, they now may do so. Otherwise, savings and interest will be shown on their accounts as a "partial withdrawal."

Formerly, a Group "A" Profit Sharing member who was laid off for lack of work, but was rehired within a year with continuous company service credit, could rejoin Profit Sharing immediately. However, he could not deposit the savings paid him when laid off. Nor could he rebuild his account to bring it up to the size it would have been had he not been laid off. All Sears stores and other units received letters from their territorial personnel offices in recent weeks, notifying them of the new policy.

It is reported here so that all Sears employes can be familiar with the added security now offered to Profit Sharing members.

The privilege of redepositing and restoring accounts was not extended to Groups "B" and "C" Profit Sharing members laid off for

lack of work (and rehired within a year with continuous Sears service credit).

The reason for this is that "B" and "C" class employes have the right of withdrawing their Profit Sharing accounts in full. Thus, shares and "cash and bonds" can be kept just as they were when in Profit Sharing.

If you have any questions about this new Profit Sharing policy the Fund executive office suggests that you see the Personnel Manager or write directly to William

OLD-TIMER!

Leroy LaMontagne Is Veteran Employee Of Core Room

The Pioneer Plowman's Old Timer for this issue is a David Bradley employe with 24 years of experience in the plant.

Since accepting employment with Bradley on November 9, 1925, Leroy LaMontagne has been one of the valued employes of the core room.

Born and reared in Bradley, Leroy attended the Bradley public schools and on September 17, 1932, was united in marriage to the former Anna Marma of Ritchie, Ill.

His birth date is October 26, 1909.

Leroy and his wife reside on their own farm with their two lovely daughters, Darlene, 15, and Janet, 10.

Huge Supply of Farm Equipment Jams Warehouse

David Bradley's 310,000 square feet of warehouse space is bulging to capacity!

Despite the huge supply of farm equipment on hand, more and more implements are being manufactured daily in the expectation and hope that Sears Farm stores will dispose of them to the customer—the farmer.

By continuing to make these implements, David Bradley is managing to keep the majority of its workers employed, even though the work week has been reduced. Reduction to a four-day week has eliminated further cutbacks.

It is evident that until this supply of farm machinery is sold and shipped work at the plant is bound to be slow.

Let's take a trip into the warehouses.

First we see approximately 1,800 garden tractors. Further down the line are 2,200 manure spreaders and slightly more than 500 plows. These include walking plows and two and three bottom high-clearance plows.

Then there are 395 lime spreaders, 1,900 disc harrows, 3,100 sections of spring tooth harrows, 2,700 sections of drag harrows and almost 1,000 side delivery hay rakes. We also spot 1,200 power mowers and 5,600 stokers.

In addition to this huge inventory, there is \$235,000 worth of various attachments. These include ten different implements for the Handyman tractor, eveners, steel wheels, draw bars, etc.

Warehouse space also contains 45,000 plow shares.

Three freight elevators and more than 7,500 feet of conveyor lines, half of which are power-driven, are used constantly in the transportation of completed bundles to the various floor levels and storage bays.

But David Bradley engineering and sales departments aren't just sitting around waiting for the customer to come in.

Men in these departments are working long hours in their efforts to develop and create new business—business that will empty our warehouses, which in turn will necessitate the calling of men back to work.

Wallace, executive director of the Profit Sharing Fund, 3333 Arthington Street, Chicago 7, Ill.



Jibes, Jests and Facts About Folks You Know

Tool and Die Whistles

By TONY CIACCIO

All of us at the plant were shocked to learn of the sudden death of Lester Massey of the Tool and Die Room. Mr. Massey, who had been at David Bradley for over six years, died suddenly Friday evening at his home. We extend our deepest sympathy to the survivors.

Hunting seems to be the chief topic of discussion these days. Joe Sollo gets up early and goes duck hunting before coming to work. What a hunting spirit!

Freddy Martin and Les McClure went hunting the other day and each bagged one goose. Roy Rathman got himself a rabbit and a pheasant on Monday of last week.

Walt Heinze seems to have the most birds so far. He has a total of seven pheasants. Your reporter and brother Joe went hunting on Saturday of last week at Don Burton's farm, but didn't see a thing. Don says that right after that someone got four rabbits.

A humorous hunting story comes from Willard Nelson. Will says he made over 20 miles on a hunting trip and didn't get a thing until he got home and bagged a rabbit in his own backyard.

Everett Rieck has moved to the west wall in the Tool Room. He is now a neighbor of Joe Wieliczko, Don Burton and Dave Freberg.

Louie Enrietta decided to cut two trees down in front of his house. It turned out to be a much bigger job than he expected so he had to hire someone with a chain saw to help him out.

Pat Pattengale is taking a brief vacation at the sanatorium in Pontiac. He is there for a checkup. Watch those nurses, Pat!

Homer Bossert didn't have any news for the paper, but we want to mention his name anyway.

Foundry Castings

By JIM EBY

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Stolarski celebrated their silver anniversary late last month. They entertained 75 guests and relatives at the Glass Hall, followed by a reception at their home. The couple received many beautiful silver gifts. The boys in the Foundry think that Mrs. Stolarski should have a medal for putting up with Stan for 25 years.

Benny Szwerecko doesn't need a gun when pheasant hunting. He catches them alive with his bare hands. Shades of Frank Buck.

Speaking of hunting, ask Gene Seamark how many birds he got last week-end. He shot two boxes of shells and got one sick sparrow and two blackbirds.

Jack Wilkins is hoping that Ignace Kisiel gets well soon and gets back on his job as flask man. Seems that his pinch-hitter, Don Johnson, sometimes has trouble with flasks. Jack doesn't like to have Don use his floor for an experimental department. How about some of you guys stopping in and visiting with Iggy?

Did you see our Foundry man who had the honor of being the "Old Timer" this issue? Ain't he pretty?

Charlie Benjamin is our weather forecaster. His crop of corns are usually right.

Mrs. Schultz's boys, Frank and Fred, sure must love this Foundry. Freddie comes to work on the shakeout gang about the same time that Frank finishes pouring off his moulds.

Have you ever heard Al Schultz (no relation to the Bradley Schultz outfit) call for hot iron carriers when malleable is being poured? He sings like Frankie Sinatra when he's calling in his crows.

The next time you fellows are near Chebanse, stop in and see Marve Foreman. Maybe the house will buy one!

Sometimes we wish the Mill Room was as quiet as Tony Berns. He certainly is a modest and hard-working guy.

We thought that Art Denton was going to run for mayor of Mommence next election. However, closer inspection of the buttons on his cap revealed one Dewey button, his Union button, a Red Cross button, a Red Feather, and one backing the Prohibition Party.

Machine Shop

By JERRY POWERS

The gang is getting larger in the department and some good hunting stories are going around. The only thing wrong is that the first guy telling his story just hasn't got a chance.

We found out why Al Guenette stays home so much. He is giving

his son and daughter lessons in selling. Right now, they have more fresh eggs sold than their chickens can lay. Maybe Management should add them to their sales force.

Our department was rather quiet until last Monday. Then Roger Cahill was recalled back to his lathe and that was all it took. No one else had the floor thereafter.

We wonder if Mel Boule is trying to get Larry Yonke married off. Every noon he asks Larry where the big dog is and what does the new cook look like. Larry just grins and keeps them guessing.

Ronnie Gregoire said that he finally completed the plumbing work in his new house. We found out that his neighbors came over and tasted his water. Evidently some of them suspected Ron of tapping in their water line. Ronnie wouldn't do that. Oh, no?

Don't be surprised if you hear Charlie Pangle yelling out, "Red hot! Red hot!" He has a new sideline, servicing hot dog machines in taverns around the county. Hope you have a lot of luck with your business, Charley.

Frank Cavender said that he was going to take off a couple of days to teach Ray Konigowski how to drive his truck. Frank is getting plenty of coal these days and poor Ray had a hard time getting a half ton.

Alex Koplinski is such a hot sports fan that he is quite perturbed because of the two-week lapse between the football and basketball seasons. Alex even went over to the high school football field the week following the last game. According to him, Bradley high had the best team in the state, including Chebanse, St. George and Bonfield.

If Ed Geistwhite keeps talking bowling to Hank Toune, don't be surprised if you see Hank out on the alleys some night. When Hank thought no one was watching, we saw him practicing swinging his arm like a bowler, only he had a casting in his hand instead of a ball.

Ray Roy has the record so far in the return of rates in our standard data. He says that he still has to get an increase, but sure has taken a bunch of cuts. Say it ain't so, Ray.

Clarence Birk is now in the grocery business. His store is located on South Wall Street in Kankakee. Drop in and see him, boys.

Did you know that Eddie Klowski, who used to be our inspector, resigned last week? He is operating a restaurant on Main Street in Clifton. Any time you are in that neighborhood, stop in and see Eddie.

Forgings

By FRANKIE WHITE

The boys of Department 22 welcome the return of the crew on the heat treat and tempering furnaces back into the Forge Shop.

Our hats are off to Mickey Bourassa who, after injuring his hand at home, required 32 sutures to close the wound and was back at work after being off a week. We never did hear whether he killed the fly he was after. Might be a good idea if we practiced safety at home also.

Johnny O'Flaherty, Forge Shop supervisor, is the proud owner of a new television set. Say, gang, there will be a swell place to spend the cold Winter nights. Johnny says to bring your own lunch and beer.

We wonder who did the fine job on aligning the bunks and trucks in Department 22. The bosses give credit to "Kingfish" Cieryca.

If anyone is interested in house-cleaning and is in need of help, contact Harry Crevier. He is an expert window cleaner and sweeper. Take a look at the north end of the department.

The boys in the area offer their congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. "Boomer" Neptune on their new arrival. We are glad that the Mrs. and the little gal are doing fine. With the new plow share setup, "Boomer" has two babies.

We are glad to see some of the boys called back to work from lay-off and hope things get settled in the near future.

Harry Lehman, our oiler, says that the operators change machines faster than he can oil and grease them.

Ask Bob Schultz what he got on his recent hunting trip. You can't eat those things, Bob. Only billy goats can!

We wonder where Leo Richa got the two aliases. You're not hiding anything, are you, Leo?

Have you fellows ever been in the Forge Shop when it is shut down completely? Looks and feels like a cemetery at midnight!

Cutting - In and Steel Stores

By JESSIE BROUILLETTE

Ask Vernon Ward what happened when he missed eight out of nine shots while hunting last week. His dog was so disgusted he went home and left Vernon to do the hunting alone.

The whistle blows at 7 a.m., Herman, not at 7:30. There's a good buy on alarm clocks at the "five and ten."

We'd like to know where Don Billadeau gets his cigars, now that "Puss" Newman is on his vacation? Speaking of vacations, Don left Friday night on his own vacation.

Rube Habedank went hunting and the only thing he did was walk. Never saw a thing to shoot at. Couldn't even shoot the bull as he was alone.

Camille Riberdy is now called FM, Jr. Shorty can't argue with Camille because if he doesn't want to hear him he shuts his radio off.

"Pee Wee" Beach must have his new point bar stock heated. The floor is being repaired in Department 20. Maybe the boys can start their trucks by themselves.

Toddy Coy of the Press Room is on a diet. Trying to get down to 200 pounds. His brother, Earl, says that Tod is down to four meals a day now.

Have you noticed how clean and neat the area around the sickle blade department is? Curt, Ray, Walt, Harold and Paul are to be congratulated. They know it is better and safer to work in a clean, neat area.

Office Chatter

By JOE ROBINSON

In his appeal to David Bradley employes for help in moving his household goods from 468 South Elm Avenue to 312 South Evergreen (two blocks away), Larry Richardson finally talked one volunteer into the job. He's all set now, ready to swing a real party for those who helped! To verify your invitation, call Larry on Extension 212.

Earl's dog was "bumped a bump" was in the house and when his wife couldn't evict him, Earl tried to with his foot. He awoke when his big toe came into contact with the window sill.

Andy Anderson of the Engineering Department and Johnny Johnson of the Service Department spent four days in Fargo, N.D., investigating complaints that clutches on our David Bradley Plows were breaking.

Sid Robb was out in Iowa and reports that the corn is running 350 "gallons" to the acre.

The Junior Chamber of Commerce enjoyed a dinner and program at their "Bosses' Night" at Kankakee Valley Golf Club. Harold Karlstrom, Jess Harwell, Ray Curby, Wayne Cunningham, Jerry Gerrity, Guy Odom and Laverne Quade were the members present; visitors were A. T. Haden, Harry Sahlin, Mark Scism, Earl Fogle, Vern Doran and O. A. Knight.

Let's ramble about the office a bit: Josephine and Ted Tiburtini saw the Ice Follies. . . . Maxine Lambert has some marvelous pictures of her wedding. . . . Orville and Florence Styck week-ended in Chicago at wife's parents. . . . Jeanne Regnier received a gift when she celebrated her third wedding anniversary here at the office. . . . You're gonna have to let Wes Scott explain his new mouse trap. . . . George Billadeau saw the Northwestern-Michigan game. . . . Tony Lustig enjoyed Rubinoff and his violin. . . . Mike Carr attended I.B.M. School at Calumet City for a couple of days. . . . The Ice Follies were witnessed by Norma and Shirley Berns.

Leo Brais has three ducks already this season. . . . Earl Goudreau got a parking ticket. . . . Maxine Bouchard has to import sweet onions from Aroma Park in order to satisfy her desire for—they never did tell me for what! . . . Joe Graser got tagged for 104 Dixie Cups during the "trick or treat" period. . . . Joe Dominiak predicted nine out of ten in a weekly football poll. . . . Dorothy and Gus Saltsider are thinking about visiting in Missouri over Thanksgiving. . . . Lou Balegno was transferred from Time Study to Tool and Labor Routing. . . . MacVene and Florence (her mother) Betourne did some shows and shopping in Chicago. . . . Gil and Alice Luhrs celebrated their 13th wedding anniversary in Chicago.

Beverly Osenga came from Personnel to replace Marlene Stutz. . . . Orville Styck transferred from the Machine Shop to Service and Returned Goods. . . . That soft gray hat "Puss" Newman is wearing looks like it might be edible. . . . Rudy Koehle bought that new

home at 575 North Tenth. . . . The fellows advise that Jim Goodman was shaking the dice box for the cigars during the last year. . . . Vernetta Granger is a big girl now since she and her office pals ate that cake.

Congratulations to Jim and Peg Goodman on the birth of Valerie Ann.

We see by the Kankakee paper that Suzanne (Rex's girl) Bainter had herself a fine birthday party.

After a seven-week siege of virus pneumonia, we are happy to announce that Nancy Jane (Russ' daughter) Skelton is now in good condition and is going back to school.

Ray Wilson would appreciate a little help in the near future to man wheelbarrows and coaster wagons to help him move from Sheldon to the new home he purchased at Donovan.

Just about the end of this month Cliff (Merle's boy) Blom will be able to throw away his cane. It is with distinct pleasure and relief that we are able to report his complete recovery.

One of our guards here at David Bradley isn't so tough. He tangled with about 50 and came out second best in the scrap. He's recovered now, but he says he still doesn't know what got into his bees. We saw Lee Barnett the day after his accident and we doubt that anything short of a freight train could have marked him up so badly.

Congratulations to Dianne Duchene. She and Harry Tighe, from Kroehler, announced their engagement on her birthday. It's a beautiful diamond!

When Gary (Chelsea's three-year-old son) Renshaw came home with a scratched face, his mother was interested. Gary told her, "I was gonna get Denny, but Denny got me."

Maxine and Tom Lambert spent their honeymoon driving through Indiana, Kentucky, Missouri and Illinois.

Which reminds us that we haven't told you that Maxine Lambert received some splendid gifts from the office just before her marriage—automatic toaster, oriental-style table lamp, and a blue chenille bedspread.

Ferrill and Wayne Cahan went to Chicago with her folks to attend a housewarming for her cousin, who had finally found an apartment.

Lucille and Marilyn (Lucille's daughter) Kelly, Anne Koenig and Delma Martin visited Stella Valencourt.

Six couples from Purchasing and Merchandising had a wonderful time at a masquerade party at the home of Therese Ruhm.

Norma Berns and Daisy Logan were invited to a dinner at Wilma Firmwalt's (who worked here last Summer), which she arranged in honor of her mother-in-law from Toledo. Loretta Farrell and Rosella Hirt, who also have worked here, were present.

Just previous to Maxine Lambert's wedding, she had a big evening at Jeanne Regnier's. Before dinner, Graser, Richardson and Nourie dropped in and Mr. Graser presented a bottle of champagne. Then at the dinner, seven sat at the festive board, which was adorned with a centerpiece in the best bridal traditions. After the dinner a large group enjoyed themselves at the house party.

Lee Barnett and Bill Donovan are enjoying their new television sets.

Tips from Receiving and Stores

By CLAYTON CURBY

Judge Walsh has his week-ends and Mondays filled now that he is husking corn. He must be working extra to make enough to buy his new television set. He had enough left over last week to buy a new pipe.

Roy Ward was telling the fellows of catching two rather large fish this past week. One was a 28-pounder and the other was a 22-pounder. Pretty large fish, weren't they? But the best part of it is that he said he dropped larger ones!

Ed Kerouac's youngest boy is in the hospital. We all hope he recovers soon and is able to return home.

Elmer Meyer is returning to the Machine Shop after getting a rest in our department.

Cold weather must be just around the corner, as it seems that the mice are moving into Department 67 and Department 80's office. They have practically eaten all of Tony's records. Must have a good flavor on the paper.

Maurice Coffman is back into Department 67. He is wishing he was back in his cage.

Benny Meents is sure anxious for the duck season. He has his duck blinds all put up and ready.

Hope you get a lot of 'em ducks, Benny.

"Puss" Newman seems to be betting quite high on his 600 series. He ought to come into Department 67 and Department 80. I hear there are a number of fellows to take his bets. One fellow said the highest he has seen him bowl is 475. Maybe, "Puss," we misunderstood you. Could it be that you meant a 600 series on four lines.

Abel Ducharme replaced Elmer Meyer in Receiving and he now has been replaced by Harold Capelle, a Grinding Room man.

Assembly Bundles

Any time you folks think you have troubles, just remember Roy Erickson. One of his boys broke his leg, his wife fell down a flight of stairs and fractured her ankle, another son in military service writes home for money, he is almost out of coal, his dog got hit by a car, he spotted Gage Kerouac 40 points on the Bradley-St. Pat football game, and his cat has been gone for a week. And we think we have troubles!

Jimmy Lovell, who has been on illness leave the last ten weeks, has resigned from David Bradley on orders of his doctor. Sorry to have you leave, Jim, and we hope you get back on your feet soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Pepin are the proud parents of an eight-and-a-half-pound son. Art tells us that he is going to be a football player.

The ghost of Leslie Lane! Did you notice Harold Knecht stringing disc blades? Elmer Taylor is rather jealous. That was his regular job years ago.

Don't fail to look at the picture of Larry Power (our boss), snapped while bowling. We understand that he is the champ bowler. But why shouldn't he be! Isn't the Assembly Department the best in the plant anyway? Anyway, we think that Larry is pretty, especially since his waistline doesn't show in the picture.

Another withholding tax exemption has been added to the Harold Wetmore family. A brand new baby girl—their third child. When the boys asked about cigars, Harold replied, "What? Three kids and working four days a week and I should buy cigars?"

Have you ever watched the four-man gang operate when assembling spreader sides. They have that job down pat. Joe Lambert, the veteran of the group, had a little trouble breaking in the new recruit (Joe LeClaire) but these two Dutchmen got along quickly.

We have a new man in the department. Little "Red" Drazy joined us last week. Gabe put him on the hydraulic press in the bearing job and then had to find a two-foot high platform so "Red" could reach the controls.

We wonder how many plows Frank Murawski has assembled during the 34 years he has been at David Bradley. Betcha that an adding machine couldn't total them!

Why do you guys keep calling Bill Mullett, "Prairie"? Want to make him mad?

Let's all help Gabe and Larry in making the Assembly Department the cleanest in the plant.

Experimental Splatter

By HARRY GILBERT and ELMER MEHRER

Ed Drazy was saying the other day that he and his wife Irene had been married 14 years. He does so much fishing that he has grown absent-minded as to his affairs at home. He tells this one on himself. The other day his wife said, "Ed, do you know that it has been about 15 years ago that you and I became engaged?" Ed, who had his mind on fishing and not too much on what was being said, remarked, "Well, don't you think it's about time we were getting married?" Ed hasn't got anything on the absent-minded professor who washed his face in the wash basin, threw it in bed and jumped out of the window.

The gang has all been wondering what has happened to George ("Tex") Louthan. He hasn't been bothering us in the last few weeks. Someone remarked that perhaps he got lost in his work. One of the crew suggested getting a search warrant for him; another thought it best for him to find his own way back, as he's always lost!

Of course we have all heard plenty of times how our expert mathematicians claim that figures don't lie. We have had quite a lot of trouble of late adding dimensions on drawings and it just won't add out right. "Red" Lochner claims that these mathematicians (Continued on Next Page)

Dear David:

The National Safety Council, in a recent publication, stated that accidents in industry cost each and every worker in the nation slightly over \$105 during 1948. The Council based this figure as an average cost to each worker in wages lost by the worker.

While this sum might not seem out of reason to some people, we must recognize the fact that it would be an acceptable amount to receive as a gift at any given time. Very few of us would care to throw away or destroy that sum, yet on various trips through the plant we see men grinding without any form of eye protection, men leaving dropped articles on the floor for someone to trip over or fall on, men lifting parts improperly, men taking short-cuts without regard to safety, etc.

We sometimes wonder why people take chances. None of us deliberately get hurt, yet when we know that a hazard exists we continue to ignore the safety factor necessary to prevent becoming injured through an accident.

It is a proven fact, David, that 98 per cent of all accidents could be prevented. Some people attribute accidents to carelessness, ignorance or inattention. Safety engineers refer to these accidents as human failures. After talking to hundreds of people who have received some kind of injury, we continually receive the same answer: "I didn't think."

We must think, work and live safely at all times if we are to live free from accidents and injuries.

Quite often we talk about the cost of accidents in terms of dollars and cents. In reality, David, there are many more factors involved besides the medical and compensation cost. Some of them are as follows:

- (1) Time lost by men other than the injured person.
- (2) Property and material damage.
- (3) Time lost by injured person and number of trips made to the First Aid Department.
- (4) Overhead cost, if valid.
- (5) Supervisory cost, at time of accident as well as later.
- (6) Decreased output of injured person after returning to work.
- (7) Cost of learner replacement.
- (8) Total medical and hospitalization cost.
- (9) The amount of workman's compensation paid, as well as the cost of administration.
- (10) Miscellaneous cost; all time spent in investigations, recordings, cost of hiring replacement, machinery replacements, lost profits and wages, etc.

We can readily understand, David, that it does not pay to take chances at any time, regardless of whether we are at work, at home, or on the road.

A FRIEND

CLASSIFIED ADS

FOR SALE—Coldspot refrigerator, 10 cubic feet; 1½ years old; like new. Will sell reasonably. Dial 3-4746.

FOR SALE—Cast iron lavatory with two faucets; like new. Contact Earl Goudreau at plant or Dial 3-5446.

FOR SALE—1937 Plymouth parts; motor, wheel, gas tank, generator, and many other good parts, from wrecked car. Also FM converter. See Merle Bloom, 208 S. Albert Ave., Kankakee, or Dial 2-4469.

FOR RENT—30x36-ft. building, suitable for garage, repair shop or for storage purposes. See Merle Bloom or Dial 2-4469.

TURKEYS FOR SALE—Live turkeys from 10 to 25 pounds. See Jack Wilkins in Foundry or at his home, 196 S. Washington Ave., Bradley. Dial 3-5157.

FOUND—Two sets of General Motors car keys; also crucifix. Stop at Personnel Department.

Cold Weather's Here, and Guess What Came Along

By YOUR NURSES

Guess there's no use preaching to anyone about colds. Just like the measles, head lice, mother-in-laws, we all have 'em sooner or later. Miseries, such as diseases and in-laws, require professional attention, medical and psychiatric for the latter. But colds, well that's something else. Colds are tenants of the upper area of the face and head, usually acquired as a result of some infraction of a law of nature, and whose consequences yield temporary discomforts.

Seriously speaking, colds are brought on as a result of a filterable virus, the isolation of which yet remains in the unknown. Aided by lowered resistance (lack of proper diet, over-exposure to variable temperatures, an insufficient amount of required sleep) and contact with an already afflicted person, our lot has been cast and it is up to us to regain our healthful status, or be generous and spread our contaminated sniffles to associates.

Volumes have been written regarding care for colds, and in many instances it's like time and material wasted in regards to the average individual. Most of us will read articles that are very timely in detail as to what to do and reasonable explanations as to proven treatments. But in the majority of instances, trivials like a slight chill, general ache, head congestion or sniffles we usually record as one of "those things" that will pass along as we try to put in a day on the job.

Rest is chiefly the basic "must" on the "get well cold parade." Iso-

Need Some Extra Cash? How About a Suggestion?

REPORT CHANGES IN ADDRESSES

A few days after the last issue of *The Pioneer Plowman* was mailed, 15 copies of the paper were returned to the Personnel Department. This means, of course, that 15 people failed to get their copy of our paper because they failed to notify the Personnel Department of change of address.

It is very important that those who change their address notify us. Many times the Employment Manager has occasion to contact people and, naturally, it causes much confusion and delay when he is unable to locate the particular person.

In the event YOU have changed your address recently, please inform the Personnel Department via mail, the telephone, or by personal appearance.

lation and nutritious diet (liquids preferably) are equally essential. Get to bed, pour down liquids and keep visitors away for a period of a day or so and the bug is whipped. Use good judgment in returning to routine work by not rushing back and feeling only fair, for colds can be predisposing factors to many complications; that is, rheumatism, arthritis, pneumonia and various others that may come later on and then we wonder whence they came.

Should your laws of state prohibit you from disposing of your mother-in-law, remember there is no current legislation forbidding wise control of colds.

FUR, FEATHERS and SCALES

By FRANK SOVINSKI

With the hunting season in full swing, we hear numerous interesting stories. Some are tales of successful trips and others tell of places where the hunters also had luck—mostly bad!

We also hear or read of hunting tragedies. Only last week we read that a woman accidentally killed her husband while pheasant hunting. One of our own employees, Lester Lampert, of the Maintenance Department, was shot in the face by a hunting companion near Momence. Fortunately, Les was not injured seriously. However, we must always remember that a man with a gun is a person with a mighty dangerous weapon.

Among the hunting tales passed on to us were these:

Earl Miller, Jerry George and two friends were enroute to the Illinois river on a duck-hunting

expedition. While riding, they discussed the coal strike. Earl mentioned the fact that it did not inconvenience him as he used gas for heating his home. As everyone knows, prior to the coal strike, a number of steam and diesel barges towed cargoes of coal up the Illinois river and, naturally, kept a large number of ducks on the move. After sitting in their blinds all day and getting only a few stray ducks, due to a bright, sunny day and the complete absence of the duck-stirring barges, Earl changed his mind. P.S.: Since this story, Earl and Jerry have been getting their limit on each trip. Yea, the barges are moving coal again.

The boys in the Tool and Die room almost had a wild goose dinner last week. Freddie Martin and Les McClure were to supply the

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FOLKS YOU KNOW ... (Cont. from Preceding Page)

are all wet about figures not lying. Ask him the reason.

Not long ago Harry Gilbert came in and said that he had a good joke on his wife. Of course he didn't want it printed, so don't tell anyone. It seems that she was putting some cold cream or some other dope on her face when one of their grandchildren came in and looked at her for a moment and said, "What are you doing that for, Grandma?" His wife answered, "Oh, that's to make me look pretty." After a few minutes she wiped it off and the grandchild, sitting there taking it all in, said, "Didn't do much good, did it, Grandma?"

Merritt Rantz got a new Chevrolet and is he ever proud of it. One of the gang got inquisitive and asked him what was the most he ever got out of it. He replied, "Oh, about six times between my place and Kankakee!" The other day he had a flat tire and another one of the bunch asked what he got in it, and old "Abe" Rantz, who is pretty quick on his answers, said, "I guess it was the fork in the road." One Saturday the boss went out to see him and Rantz was showing him around the place. The boss asked him if he had much of a garden this year. Rantz answered and said, "Yep, I had a golden garden." When he was asked what he got out of it he said, "Fourteen carrots."

Our singing nightingale, "Frank Sinatra" Boudreau, was a beauty

have seen him. He looked like one of our ancient artists, Rembrandt, or some other artist, for Paul had long hair and about three weeks' growth of beard. He would make a good artist, for he can draw flies. Perhaps Paul thought he was a musician and was going to fiddle with his beard.

Everyone in our department seems to have haircut fever. Even in Engineering, Stanley Hill's ears are showing again. Andy's hair is clipped. "Abe" Rantz's curls are gone. Harry Gilbert cut his to make a rabbit nest. The boss got his cut, for he couldn't keep his glasses on any more. But did you ever see Vince Webster's marble dome? We asked him how he lost his hair. He said, "Worry." When he was asked what he was worrying about, he answered, "I'm worrying about losing my hair." I think "Tex" had his hair cut, but we never will know, because it is always down in his eyes anyway! Halloween is passed, as we all know, and with it went the "trick or treat." The boss tells of some of the pranksters who paid him a visit. You never will guess who they were, so we will have to tell you. They included Mary Burrell, Jeanne Reilly, Ann Kraft, Louise Worby and Corrine Mehrer. Were they a sight! Mary had only a sack over her head and all she did was giggle. Riley was dressed as a hobo. Louise Worby had on a long suit of red underwear, and when you saw her in her formfit, you

Suggestions pay at David Bradley! If you don't believe it, just ask William Mullet, Dennis Martin, Nick Feller or Milton Breault.

Martin received \$340 in October to make a total of \$400 he has received for his suggestion on a new method of construction of the annealing ovens. He is an employe in Department 70.

Mullet of Department 35 received \$93.21 as the second and last payment for his idea for a new method of crating corn planters. He has been awarded a total of \$186.42 for his idea.

Because he designed and constructed a special fixture to grind and flatten ends on machine 706, Feller was given \$21.

When he suggested a method of spot welding the throwout guard to drive frame in Department 70, Breault became the recipient of \$95.62, half of the total estimated award of \$191.24 which he will receive.

And there are more cash awards awaiting inventive and suggestive employes.

PARK EQUIPMENT IS DAMAGED BY VANDALS

Considerable damage has been done in recent weeks to some of the equipment installed in the Recreation Park. The entire front and top of the dutch ovens was pulled out and the brick top rails were broken off completely.

Wooden benches were broken and thrown into the nearby cornfield. In addition, the cupola on the roof of the restroom was completely torn off and thrown to the ground.

Deliberate vandalism such as this is entirely uncalled for and only demonstrates the fact that some people do not appreciate the things that were installed for recreation.

While we are positive that the parties who did these things are not David Bradley people, we do ask the cooperation of all in apprehending the guilty ones.

"Warpy" instead of Worby. Ann had on a long suit of white underwear. Each wore a devil's face and, needless to say, they looked like the devil. Corrine was dressed like a bride. She reminded me of the secretary who said to her boss, "My work is piling up so that I'm getting more behind every day." Mary with the sack over her head looked like she was fit to be hung, or on her way to the gallows. Well, anyhow, it was a good trick and we want to see them again next year.

Roland Joubert is putting in a new furnace at home and that is good, but it's bad, too. It's good for his home, but it's bad for Joubert because he has Paul "Warty" Gall putting it in for him. The other day his wife forgot completely to bring his dinner, Paul was there and he has that certain something.

Automobile trading fever has struck some of our boys a little early this year. First there was Merritt Rantz who had an old Olds that sometimes ran (if he got it started), but it was like his old red truck—he never needed a horn on the things because they rattled and banged so badly that everyone gave him the whole road. They thought it was the fire department coming up the road. Now friend wife, who is the boss at home, wouldn't ride in those old contraptions any longer, so Mr. Rantz traded in that beautiful old relic, the family car, on a very pretty Chevrolet. Now when you meet a cream colored body with dark green upper and something behind the fifth wheel, which resembles a fence post with a hat on that doesn't fit, that is Mr. Merritt Rantz.

Paul Gall, who used to be one of us, also traded his old Olds for a better used car. He came to pay us a visit one day this week and, of course, to show off that car. He was watching and admiring it through the window and telling how nicely she ran when Paul Boudreau asked, "What kind of a car did you get?" Gall replied, "Oh, just one of those old hen cars." Then Boudreau replied, "Oh, does she ever lay?" "No," said Gall, "it's just a Nash!"

Oscar Lanoue, who as you all know is a confirmed old bachelor, was asked why he never married. He says that it must be fun, for he thought marriage is like a three-ring circus and that, of course, is fun. First comes the engagement ring, then the wedding

Service Men from 9 States Attend DB School

A group of 16 Sears Farm Store service men, under the direction of Lee Eastman, Parts and Service Manager of Department 632, Chicago, have completed a week's training course at David Bradley.

This was the 13th class which has taken training here that will be of much benefit to the customer, Sears, David Bradley and to themselves.

Those who attended were Roy Laflin, Clay Center, Kas.; Wayne Foltz, Newark, O.; Melvin Ross, Iola, Kas.; Walter Teller, Elmira, N.Y.; Dale Fridill, St. Joseph, Mo.; Ray Leftridge, Macomb, Ill.; Allen Brown, Fayetteville, N.C.; Pete Olson, North Platte, Neb.; Dale Permain, Council Bluffs, Ia.; Meade Turner, Brookfield, Mo.; Donald Berg, Jamestown, N.Y.; Donald Jacoby, Alton, Ill.; Cleo Sutton, Maryville, Mo.; Edward Mackey, Burlington, Ia.; Richard Burdick, Hornell, N.Y., and J. M. Ward of Montgomery, Ala.

While these men are primarily interested in service, they know that continued sales are necessary in order to maintain their own jobs. They all realize that future sales depend upon the quality of the implement and the quality of the service they render.

We at David Bradley can do much in making their work easier for them. By producing good quality tools, we not only assist these men, but we also help ourselves in remaining at work.

Among the items covered during the sessions were our plows, corn planters, power mowers and other implements. They also received important information regarding the operations and servicing on cream separators, milking machines, chain drive corn elevators and like tools. So you can see that not all of their problems involve David Bradley products.

They were particularly impressed by the demonstration of our three-bottom plow which was in operation. Some of the men stated they had never realized that a comparatively simple tool like a plow could ever have so many parts that require servicing.

On Thursday, November 17, the group was taken on a tour of the plant. Mr. Eastman and the men themselves gave all credit for the success of this school to our Service and Parts Department, headed by Merve Johnston. They expressed their appreciation to Management of David Bradley for the opportunity to attend this class and for the friendly and courteous manner in which they were received.

We, in turn, were happy to have these men with us last week. We all know that their work is necessary in the Sears program and that the fruits of this additional training will certainly be to our advantage.

David Bradley Employees Mark Armistice Day

At 11 a.m. Friday, November 11, all David Bradley people paid tribute to the servicemen and women of World War I.

In memory of the thousands who fought for our country in the first world conflict, the factory whistle sounded for one minute. All folks ceased work and silence was maintained while the flag was lowered to half mast in tribute to the nation's heroes.

Service Anniversaries

FIVE YEARS

Henry Paap, Grinding Room (November 13, 1944).

John Smith, Inspection (September 5, 1944).

Paul Wischnowsky, Receiving (October 30, 1944).

Ruth Arrington, Material Control (October 30, 1944).

TEN YEARS

Willis Carver, Assembly (October 31, 1939).

FIFTEEN YEARS

Byron Aasland, Supervisor (November 19, 1934).

Maple Splinters

HIGHLIGHTS OF OCTOBER 25

"Handsome Harry" Lehman hit high game of 215, his first 200 game of his career. Ed Drazy's 213 game was second high.

Al Keller won the jackpot with his high series of 576 pins, with Larry Power taking second high with a 553 series.

The 11th place Seeders set a new high team game of 901. Paul Boudreau's 210 game, along with Lehman's 215, contributed heavily to the new high.

The Seeders' anchor man and captain, Hank Reitmeier, was ill at the time his teammates got hot and they used his 164 average. Now they want to pay Hank to stay home every bowling night.

George Billadeau fired a 530 series, a new high for himself for the season.

Did you notice Earl Fogle sticking out his chest after hitting a new high game of 156? "Pop" Freberg, his teammate, said that Earl got stuck for the "suds" game.

Help! Help! Our Spreaders have now lost eight out of the last nine games!

The first place Drag Harrows have won nine in a row at this writing. Leroy Pombert, their No. 4 man, hit 210 in his third game.

Jimmy Goodman, leadoff man for the Disc Harrows, is now wearing glasses. After his first two games of 136 and 138 he took them off and hit 175 in his third game. Maybe you need bifocals, Jim.

This guy Vern Bisping is picking up every night. He hit 499 again!

The boys in the Inspection Department thought Ernie Hood had a new Oldsmobile when they heard him telling Roy Armstrong about his "98". Later they learned that he was referring to his third game.

Tom Kerouac's average fell off six pins at the session. Maybe his being transferred to office payroll affected his bowling.

Some of our bowlers have Rollie Schlemmer to thank for saving them money. He is a reliable fill-in. Bowls practically every session for someone.

HIGHLIGHTS OF NOVEMBER 1

Ed Geistwhite and Herb Blair were in a bowling mood! Ed hit high game of 237 and second high series of 564. Herbie had second high game with 216 and hit high series of 583 on games of 178, 189 and 216.

The Wagons got out of a rut and took high game of 857. The Hay Rakes copped high series with 2386.

Well, well! "Puss" Newman's Planters cooled off the first place Drag Harrows, beating them two out of three games.

Mickey Boudreau fired a big 389 series. Not bad for a 160 bowler. What was wrong, Mickey? Surely you were not afraid of the boss!

The Wagons inherited a new bowler, Gabe Kerouac. Ask him about his last game (121).

Have you noticed the way the Hay Rakes are climbing up in the standings? They have won 11 out of their last 15 games.

The Loaders, Seeders, Planters and Hay Rakes haven't dropped a complete series as yet. The Mowers, Seeders, Disc Harrows and Wagons haven't swept a series.

Earl Messerle fired a 531 series, his best of the season.

Some of the boys in the league really love "A.T." Between the beer frames and side bets he has been taking care of them. Is that right, Earl?

Sam Coffman is still in his slump. Fell off several more pins in his average. Watch him fire a big game one of these nights.

How can a guy miss a pin lying in the gutter? Si Simerson can do it. It seems that a pin landed in the gutter about eight feet in front of the pin rack. Si, being a good guy, rolled his ball down the gutter in order to push the pin back to the pin-setter. BUT, the ball didn't reach the pin and the boy had to climb out and retrieve the pin and the ball. Oh, well, he tried.

Rudy Koehle had spare trouble throughout the session. Maybe something besides bowling is on

LEAGUE STANDINGS

November 15

Team	Won	Lost
Drag Harrows	18	12
Hay Rakes	18	12
Plow Shares	17	13
Loaders	16	14
Mowers	16	14
Tractors	15	15
Planters	15	15
Plows	14	16
Spreaders	13	17
Disc Harrows	13	17
Seeders	13	17
Wagons	12	18

his mind with January approaching.

Frankie Wasetis went back to his old style of delivering the ball. Picked up nine more pins on his average.

"Cowboy" DeMoure is back on the beam. His games of 150, 153 and 154 were his best for the season.

HIGHLIGHTS OF NOVEMBER 8

Our Spreaders got raked over the alleys again, losing all three games to the Hay Rakes. Al Keller, their captain, hit a 241 game, high for the night. His 577 series was second high to Eddie Drazy, who collected 588 pins.

This Hay Rake team also had high single game of 907—a new high for the season. By collecting 2480 pins during the three games they also took high series. "Hot Shot" Messerle, their anchor man, had second high game of 236. Yea, all of this scoring against our team. The next time we bowl the Rakes we are going to insist that Roy Armstrong wear shoes. His 213 game helped his team cop the second game.

An old plant bowler came out of retirement, replacing Leroy Mathew, who is on lay-off, as lead-off man for the Seeders. Lou Vanesse, who hasn't done any league bowling for the last nine years, fired a 464 series his first night. He even picked up the 8-10 pin split. Nice going, Lou.

Hank Reitmeier, the Seeders' captain and anchor man, a 165 bowler, must have been rather tired. His 416 series was low for his team.

"Long" Ernie Hood fired the best series of his career. His games of 169, 189 and 158 gave him a 516 series. He raised his average five points.

The Disc Harrows' lead-off man, Jimmy Goodman, was absent for the first time in years. He, however, had a good excuse. He brought Mrs. Goodman and the new member of their rooting section home from the hospital.

Our president, Johnny Coffman, shot a 228 game and a 524 series. Pretty high for a politician.

The Planters, with a team average of 737, dropped their first series of the season to the Plow Shares. Or, shall we say, they donated all three games. The Shares' series of 2138 on games of 678, 727 and 733, were too high for the Planters' games of 675, 717 and 728, a 2120 total.

Don Billadeau, a 165 bowler, fired games of 150, 139 and 133 for a big 422 series—and they still won three games. Lucky, eh?

Your secretary owes an apology to the Tractor team. When compiling the averages for the week of November 8 he unintentionally shorted Mark Scism one pin and gave him an average of 158 instead of 159. As it developed, Mark had to attend a meeting and wasn't able to bowl with his team. Yep, it happened—his team lost the first game against the Wagons by a single pin, when the game should have ended in a tie, necessitating a roll-off, with the possibility of winning the game. However, as the members of the Tractors are a group of good sportsmen, they have accepted the loss, rather than replay the 11th frame, due to the writer's "boner." I'm sorry this happened, fellows, and thanks for accepting this mistake in a sportsman-like manner.

Did you ever see it fail? The Drag Harrow team, with a three-game lead, were firmly entrenched in first place (I thought) when their picture was taken. So what do they do but drop all three to

League Leaders . . . or At Least They Were!



Shown above, left to right, are Bill Korstick, General Supervisor of Trucking, Steel and Parts Stores; Leroy Pombert, press operator in the Cutting Room; Clarence Calvert, Warehouse; Leo Mathews, expeditor, and Captain Mickey Boudreau of the Tool and Die Department. These men, all members of the league-leading Drag Harrow team (at the time this picture was taken), possess a two-game lead over the second-place Plow Share team.

the Mowers, throwing the league into a three-way tie for first place. The Mowers, at the same time, beat their former high series by 91 pins. Bill Korstick almost bit the steam off his pipe when he blew an easy spare in the tenth frame of their first game. They lost that game by a single pin!

HIGHLIGHTS OF NOVEMBER 15

Wow! The boys were hot last night! The old left-hander, Hank Reitmeier, shot a 257 game, high for the night, the season and, with handicap, placed him in first place in the race for the money. His 607 series not only topped all bowlers, but he eased Tony Staniszeski out of third place in the series by five pins.

The old master, Mark Scism, fired a 243 game, plenty good for second high game for the session. With handicap, Mark was two pins short of Tony's third high single game.

Evidently Buddy Menard's new bride is feeding him well. His 601 series was second high for the night.

Talk about a comeback! This guy Lou Vanesse, after dropping bowling the last nine years, fired a 235 game and a 528 series. Nice going, Lou.

Talk about consistency, Frankie White shot 211 his first game and came back with a game of 90 for his second. Then he tried to tell a few of us that he ran into six splits. Dean Ostrander, his opponent, tells us that he ran into two gutters too many times instead.

Will someone help Sam Coffman out? His average is slipping weekly. He says Leo Brais works him too hard.

Lot of wood hit last week. "Puss" Newman hit a 218 game, Charley Pangle 213, Don Billadeau 202, Hank Reitmeier 257, Mark Scism 243, Frankie White 211, Lou Vanesse 235, "Mudball" Brinkman 190, Herbie McKee 197, and Curt Karr 201. All new high games for these bowlers.

The Tractors' 2564 series placed them more firmly in line for second place series money.

What has happened to Gabe Kerouac? Gabe maintains a 177 average in the Commercial league and a 150 average in our circuit. What's wrong, Gabe? Is it the alleys or could the kidding and ribbing we hand out affect you? Anyway, the cash you contributed to your boss, Elmer Carpenter, was appreciated by Elmer, Larry Power and yours truly. Elmer bought us some brown bottles with your dough!

Paul Scott, a Sears employe and the son of Wes Scott of the Mowers, filled in at this session. He beat his "pop" for total series by three pins. Wes tells us that he used to beat Paul. What with, Wes, a paddle, years ago?

Leroy Pombert, anchor man for the Drag Harrows, must need new bifocals. His 397 series indicates that something is amiss.

I saw Earl Miller pay off Elmer Pahnke the morning after the session. Watch that guy, Earl. Don't spot him too many pins.

Earl says, "So what! I collected from A. T. Haden on the same kind of a bet." Oh, yeah? Did you notice that "A. T." picked up a pin on his average? Better watch out, Earl!

Earl Messerle continues to get a lot of "wood." Had another 536 series. During the last four weeks, Earl has raised his average from 146 to 157.

Ed Drazy is mad at me. Last week he hit high series and didn't

FUR. FEATHERS . . .

(Continued from Preceding Page) geese. As a flock of 50 or 60 snow geese soared over their blind, Freddie dropped two of them while Mac was emptying his gun at the clouds. So Fred had a goose dinner and the Tool and Die makers had "cloudburgers."

We hear that Tom Travis almost got himself a cock pheasant last Saturday. Seems that he drew a bead on a rooster, pulled both triggers, but the bird just kept on fly-

ing. Yep, you guessed it, Tom forgot to put shells in his gun. Is that true, Tom?

Your writer was plumb worn out trying to keep up with Floyd Simerson when pheasant shooting. Two of his long steps are equal to my five. Si bagged two of five quail that got up in front of him, pulled around and then got the third behind him. Some shooting! Ask him about the rabbits he shot at after getting the quail.

I'm glad I have something to say about what goes into this paper. Otherwise Si would print the story about a squirrel jumping at me from a small tree. Keep that tale under your hat, Si, old pal.

Mel Godin of Tool and Die returned from Canada with a nine-point buck. He tells us that it weighed 235 pounds and invites the gang over for a meal anytime.

Had the pleasure of hunting with several former Bradley supervisors on Sunday of last week. Hank Schlemmer of Universal-Rundle of Milwaukee, Jim Purdue, and your former editor, Roy Hummel, all looking and doing fine. Jim still shoots three feet behind a galloping bunny.

When you hear Jerry George raving about beautiful blonde females, he is referring to his retriever. She is a golden spaniel and not only is pretty, but is a wonderful retriever, also.

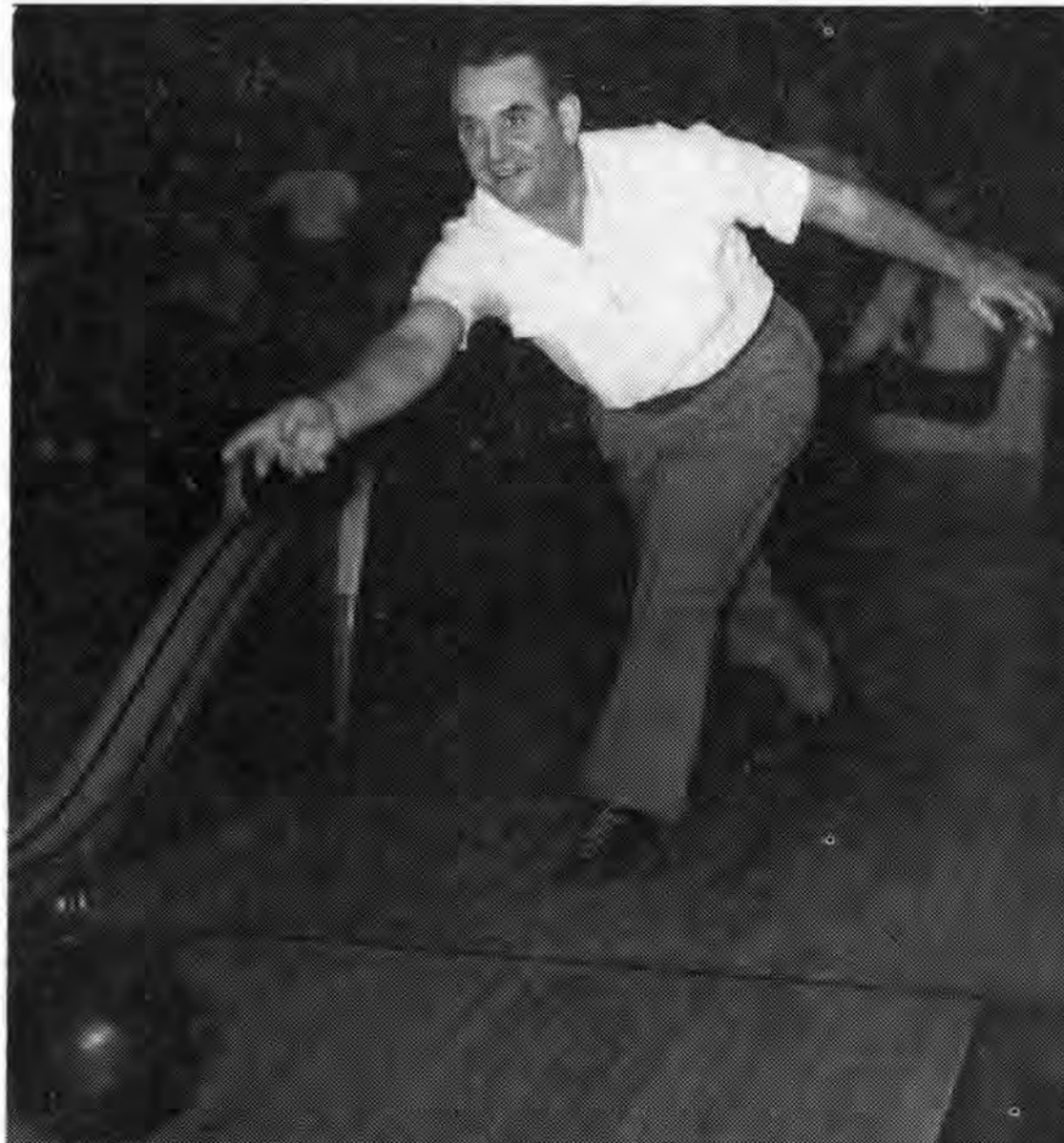
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Holds 182 Average



Above is Larry Power, whose 182 average leads the intra-plant bowling league. Larry, Supervisor of the Implement Assembly Department, is currently bowling as anchor man on the Tractor team. He is carrying an average of 183 in the Kankakee Classic League. His ability to carry these averages is primarily due to wonderful control of a comparatively slow "hook" ball. His high game for the season to date is 272.