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With HAL McCLEARY being transferred up to the Engineering Dept., we have managed to "stick" DON JENKINS with the job of being Publisher. We just mention this, in a true spirit of fairness, for as usual, if you find something you don't like about the paper, YELL at the Publisher. Of course, any compliments should be directed to, and will be accepted by, your Editor.

Shades of pig iron and core sand. We have had several items recently about our old Foundry, and who should wander in last Monday for a visit but JOE DOMINIAK'S big brother, RAY, who was the Supervisor of our Foundry for many years. RAY is located in California now, and looks great. It was sure nice to see him.

The Federal Communication Commission was all set to revoke the license of a particular television station because of a certain program they featured each day which was frightening too many viewers. Then, they found out that the program was a review of the news.

Back in our June 10th issue, we advised all of you to keep the week-end of Sept. 9, 10 and 11 open, but wouldn't tell you why. Now we can -- The 2nd ANNUAL BENEFIT HORSE SHOW for Riverside and St. Mary's Hospitals will take place then - that's just two weeks away, and it should be a ball. Western Horse Show Friday, Sept. 9, and the Society Division will show Sat. and Sun., Sept. 10 and 11.

Exhibitors are coming from Iowa, Indiana, Wisconsin, Michigan, etc. Our own BILL CYRIER (D/25) will be driving his blue ribbon pony in the fast and exciting Roadster class, and his sister, PEGGY, also a blue ribbon winner, will show her fine harness pony. There will be beautiful gaited horses, flashy parade horses, hunters, jumpers, barrel racing, etc., everything that adds up to fun and a good time for the entire family. Grandstand admission, at the Kankakee Fairgrounds, is only a buck a head, so plan to attend.

Our sincere sympathy to RENETTA DAYTON (Tab Dept.) on the passing of her mother, EMMA TOMA.

## WAREHOUSE PROGRESS

Our intrepid Publisher, DON JENKINS, who also doubles as our Photographer-in-Chief, went to the roof of the Office Bldg. to take the pic shown below of the progress on the new Warehouse.



This is as of last Monday, and despite the slippery footing from Sunday's rains, the construction crew are hard at work putting in the big drain lines. Kind'a amazing to see that crane with a scoop on it picking up the huge tiles, and placing them as gently as a feather. After the ditches are filled, and the whole base filled with sand, the superstructure will start to go up. Messrs. BECKMAN, KEROUAC and TRAVIS are all "champing at the bit", ready to start using the place.

BUY 'EM ----- E BONDS, THAT IS, TODAY.

REUNION - of sorts - we guess. KAREN MATHY of the Routing Dept., talking about the office while riding home from work with her mother was mentioning a few names. In the conversation came the name of GLENN SCHUCK of the Engineering Dept. To which Mrs. MATHY asked KAREN if she didn't remember GLENN. Seems as tho they were neighbors when they were but tiny tots and used to play together. They have a picture to verify it all, but we wouldn't dare print it, 'cause we don't want to see KAREN charged with murder (ours).

WITH GREAT RESPECT, ADMIRATION AND AFFECTION, WE DEDICATE THIS ISSUE OF THE ROPER/BRADLEY NEWS TO SISTER MAUREEN, OF ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL. Picture and story on page three.

NEW EMPLOYEES

To those curious who are "accusing" people of being MR. MISTRY, we advise you that neither last week's Old Timer, EARL MILLER, nor this week's, ELMER WILKEN are guilty, and the same for your Editor; so, guess again.

Remember when - in the old Blacksmith Shop, Big JOE DEMENT, working on the share gang, could swing a 16 pound sledge with one hand all day. He had his own method of greeting visitors who came thru. They noticed JOE because he would pull in his "tummy" and then reach down to pick his pants up from around his knees. A really swell guy to work with. (Ask KINGFISH, he was trucking at that time.)

And remember the old Foundry? Personnel hired a new man and took him to the foundry. After one look at it, he walked out. (I don't blame him - it was HOT in there.)

And back to the Blacksmith Shop again; there used to be one man who (maybe from the heat) would get out in the aisle (Yes, they had aisles in those days) and shout "Let's start a revolution" and "Down mit everding dat's up." Well, his Boss didn't know if he should fire him, or make him a Supervisor, so he overlooked it, and according to my last information, this man is Chief of the Watusi Tribe, somewhere in Africa.

See you again - and keep guessing.

MR. MISTRY.

Ed note: The Big JOE DEMENT that MR. MISTRY refers to was a dear friend of ours, and about the strongest man we have ever seen. We have a vivid recollection of this man "parking" yours truly upside down in a barrel one day, and only using one hand to do it. All in fun, of course, but after that, we kept a safe distance to play.

Memories of left-handed monkey wrenches, and board stretchers come to mind as via the grape-vine, we hear that somebody was running around the shop the other day, looking for a gallon of red prop-wash.

Old Timer, ELMER WILKEN, who is featured on page three of this week's issue was telling us that before the "Depression" Mr. J. C. Bohmker, who ran the place, instituted a program of the employees paying 3% of their wages, and the company matching it, to form a "grocery buying" combine. This was so successful that when the depression actually occurred, they had such a stock of staple groceries that they lived "free" for about eight months.

We have found out "how come" there is such a shortage of half-dollars. FRANK BENOIT in Routing says he is saving them to keep them out of the hands of the hoarders.

DAVID SAMS	D/2
WILLIAM HEDGES	D/20
EDWIN WHITSELL	D/20
LARRY DUKE	D/23
RAY WYANT	D/23
GERALD McCLINTOCK	D/37
GREG PECHAUER	D/35
MARION PRSEELEY	D/35
MAURICE MANUEL	D/42
MELVIN BUREND	D/42
KENNETH BREWTON	D/35
LYNN SHEEHAN	D/42
GALEN FRITZ	D/25
BRUCE COURVILLE	D/37
EUGENE ANDERSON	D/20
JIMMY WOFFORD	D/20
RICHARD DIXON	D/67
ROBERT E. SMITH	D/37
CONARD KARNES	D/20
JAMES LIGGETT	D/35
WILLARD GEIGER	D/25
JERRY FRANK	D/25
FRED CARMICHAL	D/20
HOWARD HILTON	D/81
GORDON MEYERS	D/25
ANTHONY GERACI	D/42
DONALD HILGERT	D/35
LARRY BOEHNING	D/25
BERNARD YARNEAU	D/25

And in Office personnel, MAE ZIEMER in Time-keeping.

One and all, WELCOME.

Total employment . . . . . 1180  
One year ago . . . . . 870

GROW WITH ROPER/BRADLEY.

DENNIS ALLEN, D/81, has left on a Military Leave of Absence. Enlisted in the Marine Corps for a three year hitch.

Today is the last day here, temporarily, for ALEN EMME, D/25, who is also going in the service of Uncle Sam.

And, VROooooommmmm, how about that Barracuda that is being driven around town by MARY FRINK of the Engineering Dept.

ALLAN VAN KUREN (D/71) and DONNA JEAN SCHULTZ of Bradley have announced their engagement. No date has been set as yet.

Mr. and Mrs. MELVIN BOULE announce the engagement of their daughter, KATHRYN ANN to JOSEPH ROMARY, son of Mr. and Mrs. CLARENCE ROMARY. The wedding will take place on December 10.

## WE SALUTE SISTER MAUREEN



Have you ever been in St. Mary's Hospital, and heard the PA system paging "SISTER DAVID BRADLEY"? Your ears weren't playing tricks; someone wanted SISTER MAUREEN, and the David Bradley bit comes from the fact that the then MAE GALLAGHER was our Nurse here, and worked in Personnel, from 1940 until 1956 when she entered the Convent. The tender care given our people by this nurse, coupled with a bubbling personality, and, with a name like GALLAGHER how could she not have that clever Irish wit, made her a great favorite of all David Bradleyans. When she left us to enter the Convent, we were saddened by our loss, but

happy for her in her new work. Her religious name is SISTER MAUREEN, and now, like we here at Bradley in 1956, St. Mary's personnel are faced with the unhappy thought that they now are "losing" her, since the good Sister has been transferred to St. Gall's Elementary School in Chicago to be the Mother Superior there.

Her career at St. Mary's reads like one of the old Horatio Alger books: Head Nurse of Emergency for two years, Member of the Faculty of St. Mary's Nursing School, Past President of the National Council of Catholic Nurses, Health Chairman of the Province, First Vice-chairman of the Illinois Nurses Association, Assistant Superior of the Convent, First Aid Instructor for the KKK Red Cross, and Secretary of the KKK TB Association.

The one consolation we have in her leaving is that she remains a member of the Board of Governors of St. Mary's, and as such, she will be returning frequently.

THANK YOU, SISTER, (Bradley Clock #8002) for your aid and comfort to all of us, both while you were at Bradley, and now at the Hospital. May He grant you long life, good health, and great happiness.

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## OLD TIMER OF THE WEEK



March 15th, 1925 should go down in history as a "red letter date" for this plant, for that is the day that this week's Old Timer started here. When ELMER WILKEN started, he was assigned as a molder in the Foundry, and worked at that job until he went to the Shell Line as a lathe operator during the War. When the shell activities were completed, he returned to the Foundry. When we discontinued making our own castings, ELMER went to the Assembly Dept., then to Furniture.

His civic activities brought disaster to him some eight years ago, when, as a volunteer fireman for the Aroma Park District, he lost a leg when a car careened into several of the firemen fighting a grass fire. Two of ELMER'S buddies lost their lives as a result of this mishap.

After a period of recuperation, we were all so pleased to have him back with us. He tried several jobs, and is now doing the typical ELMER WILKEN superb job in Quality Audit. He has asked us to be sure to tell how proud and thankful he is to have such an employer as DAVID BRADLEY/NEWARK, OHIO/ROPER, BRADLEY DIVISION as he has enjoyed his years with them.

ELMER and wife, VERA, live in a neat place on the Sandbar Road, and they have lived in the Aroma Park area for more than thirty years. Their son, JOHN, is a career Air Force man, having served 16 years and still going strong. He is currently teaching Judo to classes of 250 men at a time. Their daughter, SANDRA, is still at home. We sure hope this old buddy of ours enjoys many more years here.

A harried business man asked his physician for a prescription for sleeping pills, explaining, "I'm allergic to the kind you gave me last time. Isn't there some other kind?" "Well," the doctor said, "we might try ...." "What about this twilight sleep I've been hearing so much about," the businessman interrupted. "Oh, goodness, that's for labor," the doc explained. "For Heaven's sake," wailed the executive, "haven't you got anything for management?"

We have mentioned, several times, the pitching prowess of JEFF SCOTT. Just to make us aware of his other talents, all he did in the Little League Regional championship game, playing shortstop, was to turn in several fielding gems, and then after Kokomo had tied the game up, JEFF strolled to the plate, with a man on base, and "put one in orbit" for the winning runs. We will have to go to press before we know what is happening in the Little World Series this week, but we want the KKK All Stars, and especially JEFF SCOTT to know that we are all pulling for you, and proud of you.

The Kankakee Valley Golf Course will never be the same again after some of our lads got through taking it apart this week. Dig some of these gross scores for nine holes. NICK GINERIS, JOE DOMINIAK, and RAY HAYS all had 39, FRITZ HASEMEYER and TOM TRAVIS had 40's. THAT is good golf in anybody's league.

BIG NICK had birdies on #14 and 17, FRITZ had one on 18, TRAVIS knocked one in and DOMINIAK got his on 3.

Low team net prizes were won by YOUNG and KIBBONS, followed by LOUIS GINERIS & STELL, then NICK GINERIS and RON FLAMMOND. Individual low net prizes were won by JOE DOMINIAK and WEBB KOHL.

The first half champions, PAUL STOTTSBERRY and STEVE SERVE vaulted into first place again, and with only two weeks left of regular play, somebody had better rise up and clobber these guys. It wouldn't be too cricket to let the same team win both halves, would it?

The top three teams, and their points, as of this week are:

STOTTSBERRY & SERVE	208
HASEMEYER & PETERSON	206
YOUNG & KIBBONS	202

ROGER (D/35) and GAYLA (Whse.) MURPHY are parents of a girl, TINA LYNN, their second child, born August 7, 1966.

On page three, we proudly paid homage to a real dear friend, SISTER MAUREEN. We only mentioned a few of the great things she has done. To list them all would take a volume bigger than Sear's catalog. But, even SISTER isn't perfect, as she has a very noticeable "fault". It is obvious that she "knows from nuttin'" about baseball, cause she is a CUB fan.

## FOR SALE

FOR SALE: Tach with oil gauge and Amp. meter. \$50.00 Call 932-4745

FOR SALE: V-8 Flat Head Motor, set up for straight shift, Bell Housing. Call 697-2664

FOR SALE: 7 column Clary Elec. Adding Machine. Tip-top condition. \$85.00 Call 932-9428 after 5 p.m.

FOR SALE: '63 Chev Bel-Aire. 8 cyl, stick shift. \$1000.00 Call 939-9073 after 4 p.m.

## WANTED

WANTED ... PEOPLE to buy new brooms from the Bradley Lion's Club. They will be on sale Friday and Saturday, Aug. 26 and 27 at three locations on Broadway. Proceeds will go to various charities supported by the Club, and to Lions Club projects for community improvements.

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\* BUY E BONDS! TODAY! \*  
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HAPPINESS is - learning your daughter's boy friend has had his electric guitar repossessed.

MARRIAGE is where a man gives up privileges he never knew he had.

### JUNE CAPTIVE

Witness the bride  
With the radiant smile  
As she floats toward the man  
At the end of the aisle  
Who thought all along  
He was doing just fine  
At handing a girl  
A romantic line!

May Richstone.

"Swiped" from - of all places - The Wall St. Journal.