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ABSENTEEISM

Everyone knows when a man approaches the compulsory retirement age he is not supposed to be the man (physically that is) he was when he was in the age bracket from 18 to 25.

That being the case, isn't it amazing the last six men who retired from the plant averaged four days a year absence because of illness during the last two years they worked.

Since absenteeism is one of the principal problems faced by our company, and since illness is the excuse given in almost every case of absence from work, doesn't it appear we are getting more unhealthy all the time.

What has happened to the rugged toughness of mind and body that made America great?

MILITARY NEWS

We have received a nice letter from PFC PAUL GAMBREL advising he has been receiving the paper regularly, but his address is now Viet Nam. Before he went on Military Leave in July PAUL was in D/35.

His new address is:

PFC PAUL V. GAMBREL
US 548 18776
US Army Engr. Comd. Vietnam
APO San Francisco, California 96491

Other Military addresses are:

A-1C JOSEPH POWER
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A card from retiree ELMER PAHNKE, mailed in Hollywood, Florida, advises he is getting the paper and golfing every other day. Tough, eh!

SHOEMOBILE

While the Shoemobile was here on Monday and Tuesday approximately 160 employees availed themselves of the opportunity to purchase safety shoes. One incident marred the visit. An employee apparently had his shoes taken by someone who left him an old pair in the box after removing his brand new pair. We hope this was accidental (really we are not that naive) and that the shoes in question don't fit and will be returned.

The new timekeeper is JUDITH GRIERSON.

HURRYING AGAIN?



Are you getting in the habit of running downstairs, along aisles, without concern for others, rushing to get out of the building and parking lot ahead of the crowd at closing time? Do you allow enough time to get to work so you can do so without speed that endangers your life and others around you? Plan your time schedule for getting things done at a normal rate of speed without hurrying. Allow enough time to enjoy living without tension and rush.

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OLD TIMER



ZYGMUNT (ZIGGY) OLESINSKI came to work at Bradley on April 4, 1937. He started in the Foundry after previous foundry experience at Turk Manufacturing and Kankakee Foundry. When the foundry closed he moved to D/35 and then to his present position in D/34.

ZIGGY was born in Poland and was eighteen years old when he came to the United States. He became a citizen almost immediately and during World War II served two years in the Army. He served in the Pacific in New Guinea and the Phillipines. He and his family visited Poland in 1958.

This Old Timer and his wife MARY will be married 35 years in June. They have two children CAROL who is married and DONALD serving in the Navy. They have one granddaughter CHRISTINA.

Like most men who have worked hard all their lives ZIGGY hasn't had much time for hobbies, but he does like to fish and has a home workshop. However, his big ambition, and one he hopes to fulfill, is to travel around the world.

MICKEY BOURASSA and BILL MULLETT urge that as many employees as possible arrange with them to donate blood next week. The Bloodmobile will be at the Moose Lodge on Rte. 54 Thursday, February 22, from noon to 6:00 p.m. This is a good cause and lately we have been dragging our feet so we hope as many as possible will come through this time. For those who have never given, why not try it? It doesn't hurt a bit! Just contact MICKEY or BILL and they will make all the arrangements.

BIRTHS

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. THEODORE WORKMAN (D/10) on the birth of a son and second child February 14.

JERRY (D/35) and JOYCE ARSENEAU became parents of a son JEFFERY and second child born Tuesday, Feb. 13.

BOWLING by Don Baylor

We have had eight 600 actual series so far this season -

SNYDER	627
REGNIER	617
LAFLAMME	645-655
USEWICZ	614-620
BLAIR	611
ALBERS	608

This week the Pool Tables found the range for 3031 pins and took 4 points from the Suburbans.

Standings

MOWERS	55 points
SAWS	51 points
COMPACTS	50 points
BULLDOZERS	45 points
SUBURBANS	43 points
POOL TABLES	42 points
TILLERS	34½ points
FURNITURE	31½ points

Hi Game - HERB BLAIR 213

Hi Series - ED GEISTWHITE 578

Hi Team Game - Pool Tables 1042

Hi Team Series - Pool Tables 3031

Last Monday was position night and after the nights action the standings tightened up as the Saws took 3 points from the League leading Mowers.

Results of the Roper Employee Bowling Tournament held at Gala Lanes as of this date haven't been posted, so we'll have to wait until next week.

To all Bowlers - What is your opinion of organizing a bowling League with Roper Kankakee Division for next season????

It appears we have reached a milestone in the history of Roper Bradley. This week we passed the 1300 mark in total active employment. Our research indicates this is the highest total in our history - and is still going up.

Welcome to the following new employees in the Plant- LARRY KLEINER, MILTON MITTELSTODT, THOMAS CREEK, DONALD HALL, CHARLES MOORE, JOHN MARTIN, NELSON COLLIER, HARLEY LACKEY, STEPHEN DAYHOFF, THOMAS KENT, LONNIE DEHOAN, DONALD LONGTIN, JEROME HENRY, MICHAEL MINARD, JONATHAN PUCEK, LESTER SMOTHERS, LLOYD ANDERSON, WILLIAM LEODINGHAM, ROBERT NANOS, JOHN MCMILLAN, LARRY GORDON, SHIRLEY MILLER, CALVIN KREFFT, ROBERT EVANS, BENJAMIN HALE, WESLEY JEPSON, NORMAN PHILLIPS, JAMES REHBERG.

ENGAGEMENT

PEITRO RAY GERACI (D/35) and CHERYL LEE REFNER are planning a June wedding.