



bradley News

Friday, January 22, 1971



PLANT SAFETY COMMITTEE

Wednesday marked another turnover of members of the Plant Safety Committee as the terms of GABE KEROUAC and JOE WILLS ended and they were replaced by BOB WILLIAMSON and BUD MANARD. In the picture GABE and JOE are holding the pen and pencil sets they received for a year's faithful service on the Committee as they hand over their badges to BOB and BUD. They also received their miniature green cross for safety buttons to be kept permanently.

SHOEMOBILE

The Safety Shoemobile will make its regular semi-annual trip to the plant on February 8 and 9. Once again we remind employees that this is an opportunity to purchase first class safety shoes, either work or dress, individually fitted for a very low figure. And in addition, have the company pay \$4.00 of the price.

Congratulations to JAMES D/15 and BETTY MAE CLEVENGER on the birth of their sixth child a boy CHARLES LEON, born January 12.

Our sincere sympathy to JOHN WELLS D/25, on the death of his mother.

Also to the family of Retiree AUGUST MEAR who passed away this week.

SERVICE PLATEAUS-JANUARY

42 Years		
GABE KEROUAC	Foreman D/10	1-11-29
36 Years		
JEROME POWER	D/25	1-09-35
MATT KENDZIOREK	D/35	1-21-35
35 Years		
ROBERT O'TOOL	D/15	1-22-36
OSCAR HANSEN	Foreman D/70	1-29-36
FRED SCHULTZ	D/79	1-30-36
34 Years		
JOHN COLE	D/71	1-12-37
JOE GIUSTI	Foreman D/25	1-19-37
33 Years		
MATHEW LESZCZEWICZ	D/71	1-17-38
32 Years		
MAXINE BOUCHARD	Tooling	1-11-39
5 Years		
HUEY GEORGE	D/15	1-04-66
TERRY SIROIS	D/35	1-04-66
CHARLES WALTHERSD	35	1-10-66
LaVERN SMITH	D/25	1-11-66
TOM LaFLAMME	D/35	1-12-66
DALE BAILEY	D/34	1-12-66
RON SIELING	D/35	1-14-66
MYRON TAMBLING	D/35	1-17-66
MERLE HANSON	D/35	1-17-66
ARMAND LONGTIN	D/79	1-17-66
ROBERT EDEN	D/25	1-17-66
RICHARD VARBONCOEUR	D/41	1-17-66
HOWARD WISCHNOWSKY	D/35	1-25-66
JAMES GOETZLER	D/10	1-25-66
KENNY POTCHEBSKI	D/25	1-25-66
FORREST BARRIBALL	Foreman D/79	1-26-66

NEW LOOK

Observant employees may have noticed something new the last couple of weeks. New uniform shirts, trousers, and badges have been issued to the guard force improving their overall appearance. New badges have also been purchased for the members of the Plant Fire Brigade so they will be immediately identifiable in the event of emergency.

OLD TIMER OF THE WEEK



This week's honored employee FRITZ JECK, reported for work at Bradley on August 25, 1943. At the time he was about three weeks short of attaining his seventeenth birthday but had already worked briefly at Domestic Laundry and the Busse Greenhouse. His first assignment here was in the Sickle Bar Dept. where his boss was MEL BOULE. Subsequently he served briefly in Welding, Receiving, Shell Line and Yard Maintenance before settling down in the Forge Shop for twenty-four years. Just two months ago he transferred to the Boiler Room where his current job is Fireman Helper.

During World War II FRITZ spent almost two years in the Navy with eighteen months in the Pacific. A Seaman 1 C, his entire overseas service was at a supply depot on the island of New Caledonia.

FRITZ and his wife DELLA have been married twenty-three years and have five children, GARY, 20, works for the Wm. Flowers Construction Co., LARRY 19, works here at Roper Bradley in the Machine Shop. BRIAN 16, is a junior at BBCHS. Identical twins LANA and LISA 10 years old are in the fourth grade at St. Joseph's School.

This highly skilled Old Timer likes to watch football and basketball and repair things around the house. If he is anything like his father and uncle he repairs things well. FRED and FRANK JECK were craftsmen in the old German tradition of excellence. The JECKS would love to travel, but so far family ties have prevented them from taking some of the trips they would like to make.

FOR SALE: Schick Electric, Three speed shaver. \$5.00. Call 932-4549 after 5 P.M.

FOR SALE: 17 ft. 1965 West Wind Travel Trailer. Call 932-2066 after 3:30 P.M.

FOR SALE: 21½ ft. Leisure Time 1969 Travel Trailer completely self contained. DeLuxe, Carpeted, tape player, awning etc. Ready to roll. Call 933-3933 after 4 P.M.

TOM'S TEN PINS By TOM LaFLAMME

This is the time of the year for the local Bowling Tournaments to start. One of the most popular and best is the Kankakee Bowling Association Tournament which is now accepting applications. The bowling alley and the secretary of the K.B.A. have asked me to remind all bowlers that the deadline for entries is January 31st. This years team event will be at Prough Bowl in Kankakee and the Singles and Doubles event will be at Manteno Bowling Lanes.

The high honors for this week go to LARRY DAVIS who bowled both high game and high series with a 224-591. Last year LARRY'S average was 162, but LARRY was off to a rough start this year and until six weeks ago his average was just 150. For the last six weeks LARRY has averaged 182 and has brought his average back to 161. If he keeps going as well as he has been he should make it to 170 by the end of the season which is a remarkable recovery. Other bowlers having good nights were DON BAYLOR 217-578, JIM JONES 202-578 and JIM CAHILL 205-572. TOMMY BROWN didn't have a high series, 515, but was 102 pins over his average which is hard for any bowler to do no matter what his average is. CHARLIE BRINKMAN wanted me to mention that he didn't have any trouble picking up the six pin Monday night.

The following interesting little item appeared in the Power Press and Forging Section Newsletter just received from the National Safety Council.

CLOSE SHAVE

A long haired male assembly line employee had a 3 x 5 inch patch of hair rudely jerked from his head as he was talking to his foreman. A pneumatic wrench, with a socket on one end of an eight-inch extension, was hung from a spring balancer. During a discussion about a tool problem, the employee's long hair became entangled with the rotating socket. Fortunately, the employee was not completely scalped, and only suffered a nasty injury.

Long hair on either male or female employee presents a serious scalping hazard around any kind of moving machinery. To avoid scalping, make sure such employees are equipped with hair nets or hats that contain the hair.

IT USED to be that Dad dealt out a stern code of discipline to Junior. Then the electric razor took away his razor strap, the furnace took away the woodshed, and tax worries took away his hair and the hairbrush. That's why youngsters are running wild today. Dad ran out of weapons. —Speed Queen News.