



# bradley News

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Twenty-four years ago a cute little gal named DELMA MARTIN, fresh out of Notre Dame Academy in Bourbonnais, reported for work at Bradley as Record Clerk Trainee in Sales and Repairs. Her rise through the ranks was steady and included such jobs as Typist, Clerk, Stenographer and Secretary, which position she attained in 1956. Since that time, except for one year, she has been secretary to Mr. GRUMISH as he has progressed from Sales Manager to Works Manager, General Manager, Vice-President of the Corporation and President of the Bradley Division.

Fifteen years ago DELMA changed her name when she became the bride of RAY BURKHALTER who manages the departments of plumbing, heating, building materials and installation at Sears Kankakee Retail Store.

And now she leaves us for what she terms "R & R", rest and relaxation and today is her last day on the job. She plans just to stay home and catch up on her housework, but confesses she will miss Roper and all the people here. We're sure the people will miss her even more. Everyone here at Bradley from the "BIG G" on down wishes DELMA the best of everything for the future.

#### SNAPPY COMEBACK

A husband who spent much of his driving time grumbling about the incompetence of women drivers growled his usual, "Bah! Woman driver!" when the car ahead of his made an unwise maneuver.

His wife gleefully retorted, "That car has a man driver!"

After a momentary silence, the husband grinned sheepishly and muttered, "He must have been raised by a woman!"

**FOR RENT:** 4 Rm. House w/Utility Rm. and Garage  
Call 933-5613.



#### RETIREE

Today is the last day on the job for that great little guy KEN FARLEY who has reached that fateful day and besides as he jokingly says, "has carried the department long enough". He also claims to be retiring happy because of having done his best to hasten WEBB KOHL'S retirement a little, even to the hope that he might have increased WEBB'S crop of gray hairs by a few.

KEN and MRS. FARLEY'S retirement plans call for a trip to Arkansas and Arizona during the winter after which they will return to 592 South Gordon Ave. and make a Canadian trip in late spring or summer. They will then give thought to permanent residence in a warmer clime. KENNY is partial to Fort Myer, Florida. In the interim the plans call for a lot of card playing and attendance at that great American drama, professional wrestling.

#### NO TRUER WORDS

A traveling salesman is a man who wishes he had as much fun on the road as his wife thinks he does.

WILLIAM FORGE

#### SHOCKING THOUGHT

To communicate with porpoises  
Some people now aspire,  
So how about electric eels,  
Could we just send them a wire?

S. S. BIDDLE

#### POINT OF VIEW

A psychiatrist is a fellow who doesn't have to worry as long as other people do.

GENE YANAK

**FOR SALE:** Buffet, table with leaf and four chairs.  
\$25.00 Call 939-3915.



### OLD TIMER OF THE WEEK

BONIFACE GREY, this weeks honored employee was born and raised in Ashkum (and his heart is still there) and started to work at Bradley on September 13, 1945. He has previously worked here in 1941 and 1942 but was laid off and worked at DuPont for three years. He started in the Foundry, worked there until it closed, went to Furniture until it closed and since last December has been in Assembly, where he works on the Tractor line.

"BONNIE" and his wife ELSIE have been married thirty-seven years and have two children. Son ROBERT is married, works at Swift & Co. and has two sons with a third child expected momentarily. Daughter MARY ELLEN SPLEAR'S husband is a farmer and they have one daughter.

This Old Timer with the sly sense of humor likes to hunt and fish and goes to Wisconsin twice a year to indulge these hobbies. Rather apologetically (since the World Series) he admits to being an American League fan. A former square dancer he has found the tempo a little fast for him lately, but is kept busy with his grandchildren, and finds time to take care of his gardening.



"He was very bad today."

### TOM'S TEN PINS By TOM LAFLAMME

Last Monday the Stores team slipped right into first place by winning 4 points from the Mowers as the Time-keeping team lost their foothold by losing 2 points to the Dispatchers. In other matches the Bulldozers won 3 points from the Compacts as did the Spaders from the Saws. The Suburbans won all 4 points from the Shredders to move them into third place.

CHUCK KENDALL had a nice 222 game and a 592 series to have both high game and high series last Monday. FRANK WASETIS was the only other bowler to roll a 200 game last week which is an oddity with 50 bowlers rolling 3 games each. However there were several good series bowled by the following men, KENDALL 200, 222, 592, WASETIS 213-553, GLEASON, 547, DAVIS 547, STANISZESKI 543, and MENARD 554.

#### TEAM STANDINGS

Stores	24
Timekeeping	22
Suburbans	20
Spaders	19
Mowers	19
Saws	14
Bulldozers	14
Dispatchers	12
Shredders	9
Compacts	7

#### EMPLOYEE SALES

Several questions asked of the Roper Sales Coordinators in regards to Employee Sales reflects the need for re-issuing procedures covering sales of Roper brand merchandise to Employees.

Roper Products are made available at a discount to Roper Employees. The following procedure must be followed:

1. Obtain approval from the Personnel Department. It will be necessary for any Employee interested in purchasing a product, to obtain an approval form at the Personnel Department. If you do not have this approval form you will not be permitted to purchase a product.
2. Only one unit per year per employee.
3. Roper Sales Office in the Corporate Building is open for employees sales on Tuesday only. Office Hours 8:00 to 4:00.
4. All sales are for cash payable at time of purchase. No paperwork will be processed without payment.
5. Pick up goods will be from the Belt Route Warehouse on Brookmont Blvd. in Kankakee (near Gala Lanes) on Thursday only. Hours are from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.