



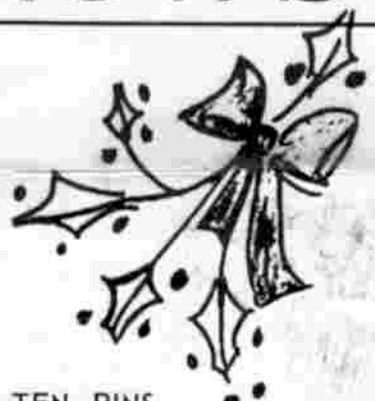
# bradley News

Friday, December 17, 1971

## HOLIDAYS



Due to the Holidays there will be no issue of the Roper Bradley News for the next two weeks. The staff of your newspaper wishes for all employees a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year. Our first issue of 1972 will be out on Friday, January 7.



## TOM'S TEN PINS By TOM LAFLAMME



Having recently completed the Apprenticeship course successfully, RICHARD STREETER of Department 71 is now a full fledged journeyman Tool & Die Maker and has a certificate to prove it. Shown proudly inspecting the precious piece of paper are BILL LUSTIK, Tool Room General Foreman, RICHARD and Employment Manager DON BLANCHETTE.

The battle for first place for the first half of the season is now only between two teams, the Suburbans and Timekeeping. Next week is the last night of bowling for the first half and is a position night. In last Monday nights action the Suburbans and the Bulldozers each won 3 points from the Compacts and Saws, while the Dispatchers and Shredders also won 3 points from the Mowers and Timekeeping teams. The Spaders and Stores split for 2 points each.

High game honors go to two men this week. LOU RICHARD and "BUD" MENARD tied with a very good 224 game. STANLEY STANKUS had high series honors with a very nice 600, with games of 195-183-222. Also bowling good were MENARD 224-552, ESSINGTON 540, SHOFF 548, CRAWFORD 214, LAFLAMME 206-205-569, FORBES 210-556, DRAZY 206, KEROUAC 211-549 and DANKEL 202-584.

## INSURANCE COVERAGE

The other day an employee came to the Personnel Department and was shocked when he found his eight month old son was not included in his hospitalization insurance. We would like to remind all employees that, in the event of an addition to the family, they immediately contact the Personnel Department and give the necessary information so that the baby can be included in the insurance coverage. No dependents are added automatically - they must be added by the employee in person.

## TOP FIVE AVERAGES:

BOB SHOFF	178
JIM CAHILL	177
WILLARD ESSINGTON	176
GABE KEROUAC	176
TOM DRAZY	175

## FLU SHOTS

When Flu Shots were administered at Roper Bradley some time ago thirty people received them for the first time. In order for the shots to be effective these thirty people were to return for a second shot as we noted in these columns several weeks ago. To date twenty have had the booster shot. Unless the other ten come to 1st Aid soon they will derive no benefit from the program.

We extend sympathy to GENE BARWEGAN D/35 and RUSSELL BARWEGAN D/94 on the death of their mother.

Also to MIKE GOWETSKI, Methods on the death of his father-in-law.



### OLD TIMER OF THE WEEK

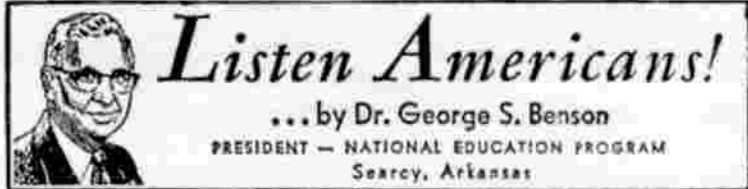
STEVE FORGACS, this weeks honored employee, was born and raised at Nokomis, Illinois near St. Louis. Old time fans will remember that two of baseball's immortals JIM BOTTOMLEY and RED RUFFING also called Nokomis their home. However, STEVE left the sunny south and came to this area at a young age to work at Kankakee State Hospital where he stayed three years and then moved to Elwood Ordnance where he worked three years in Plant Protection. His official employment date at Bradley was November 27, 1945 although in 1944 he worked here briefly and ran into a layoff. Starting in the Foundry, he stayed there until it closed moving to Furniture until its closing. Currently he is a Machine Operator in Department 25.

STEVE and his wife MAY have been married thirty years and have six children and three grandsons. They should be proud to have provided an opportunity for two sons to get college degrees and a daughter to be a Registered Nurse. Both sons, JOHN and STEVE worked here while attending college. A third son LEONARD is now attending Kankakee Community College. The baby of the family SUSAN is in 8th grade.

This fine Old Timer is a great gardener and every year exhibits his products at the County Fair. This year he had twelve entries and only missed on one. A great sports fan he has been a Cub fan for thirty years - he gave up the Cardinals when they traded DIZZY DEAN. In football he loves Notre Dame. He says he has enjoyed working at Roper - if he hadn't he would never have stayed this long.

FOR SALE: Ping Pong Table. Excellent condition. Call 933-5302 after 6:00 p.m.

FOR SALE: 36" Roper Gas Range, Electra-Lux Floor Polisher, 2 pc. Green Sectional, 2 End Tables, Record Cabinet, Baby Furniture and Lots of odds and ends. Saturday, Sunday and Monday after 1:00 p.m. at 412 North Wabash.



Herbert Aptheker, recent visiting professor at Bryn Mawr College in Pennsylvania, has repeatedly predicted the death of America's private enterprise system. He himself is working to kill it. The surprise in this is that Professor Aptheker has been teaching the American young at Bryn Mawr, a college built with the wealth produced by our free enterprise system and operated with money from the same source. Herbert Aptheker is a Communist. He's more; he is the widely advertised theoretician of the Communist Party USA, and recognized in security and intelligence quarters as perhaps the "brains" of U. S. Communism.

How foolish can Americans get — paying Communists to indoctrinate the minds of American youth with Communist falsehoods against our system! No wonder a substantial percentage of our 8,000,000 college students attack the basic principles of private enterprise and an alarming number are dedicated to the overthrow, or are aiding in the gradual death, of the system. Herbert Aptheker and his comrades within the Communist Party, and the nationwide revolutionary youth movement they have spawned, constitute the clearly visible enemies of free enterprise.

What is free enterprise? It is the economic system through which we in America make our living. There are three economic systems.

1. A system like the Communists have installed in Russia, where the Government owns the tools of production and distribution.
2. A system like we have in America, with private individuals owning the tools of production and distribution.
3. A combination of these two, such as the Socialists installed in England with most of the basic industries and institutions owned by the Government, but with much of the retail business operated by private citizens under strict Government control.

America offers the world's best example of a private enterprise economy. We started as an agricultural country, with 90% of our people on the land and earning a living by farming. Farming rapidly improved in America for these reasons: Farmers owned their land and wanted to improve it; the livestock and grain they produced was their own; they wanted to improve the varieties and the total production; they had to do the work or pay for having it done, so they wanted to improve their tools as much as possible, thus making the individual's labor more productive.

Farmers have succeeded until today only 5% of our people live on farms, and yet the nation is the best fed in its history and we sell and give away great quantities of our farm produce. As people left the farms they went into various kinds of businesses. These businesses grew for the following reasons.

They were privately owned and naturally the owners wanted their businesses to prosper, and they worked hard; they were competitive, consequently the businessman was under constant pressure to try to out-produce his competition; this forced the development by the businessmen of tools, machine tools, automatic tools, automated tools; the entire nation, and in fact the world, was the market place; so the businessman's opportunities were virtually unlimited.

### PLEASE COMMUNICATE By DON BLANCHETTE

We are in the process of recalling some employees on lay off, who were hired in 1968 or 1969 and expect to call more in the near future. We have been unable to contact some, because either they moved to a new address or changed phone numbers without notifying us of the change. So that we may reach you when it becomes necessary, please let us know if any changes have been made in either your telephone number or your address.

Don't hesitate to flatter others—your opinion of them won't equal their own, anyway.