



bradley News

Friday, August 23, 1974



RETIREE

August 31 will be the last day on the job for HAROLD SOMMER who will be retiring at age 63 after 31 years of faithful service. HAROLD who, despite a speech and hearing defect, has been one of the most popular and valued employees in the plant, is just getting tired of the daily grind and has decided to call it a day figuring he has worked long enough.

HAROLD lives in Essex with his sister and brother-in-law Bill Mullett and plans nothing but rest and relaxation with a little travel thrown in. His many friends here wish him luck and will miss him.

GOLF LEAGUE

After last week's play the top five teams are as follows:

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| 1. Vern Krabbe & Gus LaRoche | 176 pts. |
| 2. Don Snyder & Will Hartley | 170 pts. |
| 3. Mickey Boudreau & Jim Legacy | 153 pts. |
| 4. Lee Herscher & Gene Seamark | 152 pts. |
| 5. Steve Serve and Pete Geraci | 150 pts. |

Low Team Net for the night was won by Doug Dankel and Larry Power who had 68. Tommy Brown and Bob Williamson had 72 which tied Frank McNash and Art Prouty.

Individually in Class A Russ Hubert and Earl Massey had 34's while Ernie Perkins and Don Snyder shot 35's. In Class B Gus LaRoche had 34, Wil Lewis 35, and Joe Giusti 37. Four men had 40 to tie for low gross. They were Don Snyder, Russ Hubert, Tommy Brown and Frank McNash.

Birds were scored by Brown, Snyder and Serve, but the big news was provided by Russ Hubert who hit his 3rd shot into the cup on the Par 5 17th hole for an eagle.

RESULTS OF SOFTBALL GAME BETWEEN THE YOUNG UPSTARTS (1974 Champions) & OLD TIMERS (Champs from Way Back) by Nick Gineris

The game took place as scheduled on Sunday, August 11, 1974 at 5 P.M. One change was put into effect. A 16" softball was used instead of the regular 12" ball which is used in the slo-pitch game. The change was made because the fence is only about 185 ft. from home plate and a good "fly" ball would be a home run. It would take a good solid blow to hit a 16" softball over the fence. As it was, there were four home runs hit.

Louis Gineris and Dale Elam each hit one for the "old timers". Denny Kemp and Jerry Rea one apiece for the "Young Upstarts".

Results of 7 inning game - "Young Upstarts" 7 - "Old Timers" 3.

It was decided that while we waited for the refreshments and the old timers had gotten their 2nd wind that nine innings would be played.

Results of 9 inning game - Young Upstarts 7 - Old Timers 8.

Lenny Souligne pitched for the Upstarts and Rudy Peterson pitched for the Old Timers. Everyone had a good time and the only near injury occurred when old reliable Ronny Hirt tripped on 1st base after getting a base hit. He had a swollen ankle for a couple of days but is OK now.

Overheard above the cheering was the Challenge "Wait till next year". We don't know what side it came from but the Young Upstarts weren't making too many noises on Monday.

Everybody was a winner! Families of both teams gathered afterwards and enjoyed fried chicken and potluck in the Roper Outdoor Products Park. Both teams appreciated having Woody Arseneau working as Umpire behind the plate and Vic Warpet as base Umpire.

CONGRATULATIONS

Goes to JOHN and Eva TUTEWILER D/66A on their first child a boy, Baron born August 18.

Also to MIKE and Kathy FAFORD on the birth of their first child, a girl, Rebecca born August 1.

BOWLING

Roper Outdoor Products League bowlers are reminded by Secretary Harold Siefert that the league season will begin on Monday August 26th at 6:30 PM at Gala Lanes. All are asked to be prepared to pay sanction fees the first night. Ten teams are ready to go.

1. Welders - Gale Albers, Ed Baker, Ralph Doehring, Jerry Forbes, Robert Bess.
2. Stores - Don Blanchette, Tony Stanizeski, Walt Dupuis, Harold Siefert, Myron Tambling
3. Maint. - Don Christer, Charles Brinkman, Stan Butler, Neal Barstow, Tom Carpenter.
4. Tool Room - Bob Crawford, Tom Brown, Al McIntyre, Ray McNash, Ray Gerber.
5. Assembly - Terry Dupuis, Pete Geraci, Charles Gibson, Terry Arseneau, Bruce Courville.
6. Suburbans - Willard Essington, Hank Reitmeir, Bill Woods, Paul Gibson, Frank McNash.
7. Office - Thurston Jones, Lou Conover, Louis Richa, Edward Vaughn, Dave Snider.
8. Truckers - Ernie Perkins, Danny LaFond, Ray Forbes, Tom Hendrix, John Giertz.
9. Forgers - Clarence Stump, Al Bassilion, John Bell, Mike Larson, Russell Westover.
10. Dispatchers - Ron Hirt, Don Baylor, Floyd Wilkins, Sam Raimondo, Lester McQuillin.

FOR SALE: A full size, 2 year old, black and white desciplined mother Chihuahua and 6 week old light brown w/black markings, which is paper trained, puppy. Take one or both. Call any afternoon. 937-3280.

FOR SALE: 1968 Firebird engine. 350 cu. inch 2bbl carb., 38,000 miles. Runs good. Plus these parts: 1967 Pontiac, Lemans body, new battery, AM/FM radio, blk. interior w/buckets. Auto. trans. Rear end and drive shaft. Whole package for \$150.00. Call 937-4380.



OLD TIMER OF THE WEEK

This week's honored employee MERLE COTE started here on June 9, 1939 as a trucker at age 20. He has made plowshares, inspected tank parts, assembled chain saws, upholstered furniture, and in his present Dept. 10 has welded, run all the presses and is currently Set-up man.

In March of 1941 MERLE was inducted into the Army as a part of Co. L. National Guard for a year training, but then came Pearl harbor and the year became almost 5. During that time he served in the Pacific in places like Guadalcanal, the Philippines, and Korea, rose to the rank of Captain and earned the Combat Infantryman's badge and the Bronze star.

MERLE and his wife Irma Gene have been married 26 years and have a son and a daughter. The family attends the 1st Baptist Church where he currently serves as a member of the Christian Board of Education.

No one can say this great OLD TIMER has shirked his Civic duty. He served 4 years as Township Clerk and Health Officer, 3 years as Director of the Meadowview Civic Assn. Director of the Cerebral Palsy Assn., Member Citizens Advisory Group for Bradley School District, local, district and state officer of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. Here at the plant he has recruited blood donors, given over 4 gallons personally and served on the safety committee.

MERLE also takes time to enjoy his hobbies of fishing, swimming and travel.

SYMPATHY

We extend deepest sympathy to ELIZABETH JENKINS D/35, Timekeeper, and DON JENKINS, Print Shop Supervisor on the death of their Grandfather and father-in-law respectively.

SHOEMOBILE

When the Safety Shoemobile visited here on August 12 a total of 108 pairs of shoes were purchased by our employees.

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