

# ROPER

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## Listen Americans!

... by Dr. George S. Benson  
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Mr. Earl L. Butz, is Secretary of Agriculture in America. He is a dedicated individual and rendering a great service to this nation. He loves America. He is interested in her future.

On August 24, 1974, he made an address to the Polish Legion Veteran's Convention at Miami Beach, Florida. He spoke under the heading, "Who Will Speak For America." The remainder of this program is quoted from that excellent address given at Miami Beach, Florida, by Earl Butz on August 24, and I quote:

"Recently I picked up a book on life in rural America and was particularly impressed by a quote from a young girl addressing her graduating class in Magnolia, Mississippi. Linda Ann Williams told her fellow high school seniors that, 'Our problem today isn't so much the noise of the bad. It is the silence of the good. Don't let historians write that this nation died because no one cared.'"

"That young woman cared. She cared as much as anybody could. She was speaking out for her country.

"Too often in recent times that sort of concern has been drowned by the noise of America's detractors. We have been wading in the wrong and ignoring the good.

"There are signs this is changing. The fiber of this nation has shown itself to be welded around a Constitution that is rock solid and imminently right. There is a renewed openness and sense of responsibility in all of Government. The Congress and the new President are working closely together.

"Three times in the last 11 years we've seen an abrupt change of leadership forced in this land, but each time the transition has been orderly. We have survived the assassination of President Kennedy, the soul-searching decision of Lyndon Johnson not to seek a second term as President, and two weeks ago the resignation of President Nixon.

"Through all of this, the single tragic shot in Dallas has been the only one fired. The military has stayed in its barracks; the government has kept working. Our world defense posture has remained strong, no businesses have been forced to close, no markets have collapsed, no publications have been burned, and no presses have been destroyed.

"Men and women have maintained their right to speak freely, to pursue liberty and happiness as they see fit.

"That would not have been the case in many countries of the world.

"Our agriculture is playing an important part in building that peace. Food is a language that leaps oceans and crosses borders; it pierces all barriers. It is the product that enables America to speak more forcefully, more powerfully, and more compassionately than any other nation in the world. I'm proud to play a small part in that agriculture.

"We hear that our unemployment is rising, that people are out of work. But whoever talks about the fact that 98 percent of all married heads of households now have jobs, or that only slightly over 5 percent of all Vietnam veterans 20 to 34 years old remain unemployed.

"Think of that. Six years ago over 50,000 young American men were fighting in Southeast Asia. Today they are all home and all but a few have been reabsorbed into the work force with very little fuss or bother.

"In 1950, about 58 million people out of a total work force of 62.6 million had jobs. The average wage for non-supervisory workers was around \$1.33 an hour, or about \$53 a week.

"By June 1974, the work force had swollen to over 92 million. But in spite of that growth, a full 87 million were employed. The average non-supervisory workman's pay had risen to \$4.17 an hour or \$154 a week. Our free enterprise economic system had kept up with the large growth of laborers seeking work, a fact we often forget.

"Anyone who doesn't believe that there are job opportunities for people willing to work in this country should visit a developing country. He should talk to a man whose family must be supported by the amount of money the father can earn swinging a pick or a shovel, or from a small plot of land where he can afford no fertilizer or pesticides. Then he should also remember that there are no food stamps, no unemployment insurance, nor workman's compensation for his family."

It was on the way home from church that a mother turned to her small daughter.

"Mary," she scolded, "how many times do I have to tell you that we always keep our eyes closed during the prayers?"

"I know, Mommy," replied the child. "I'm sorry." Then, after a moment's pause, the little girl asked: "But how do you know that I don't?"

## BLOOD PROGRAM

On Thursday, February 13 the following employees donated to the Red Cross Blood Program:

Ron Hirt	D/70
Michael Mosier	D/15A
Robert Hampton	D/15A
Ron Joubert	D/35
John Swanson	D/35 TR

Special congratulations to Danny LaFond D/35 who attained the 3 gallon plateau as a donor, when he gave on February 6.

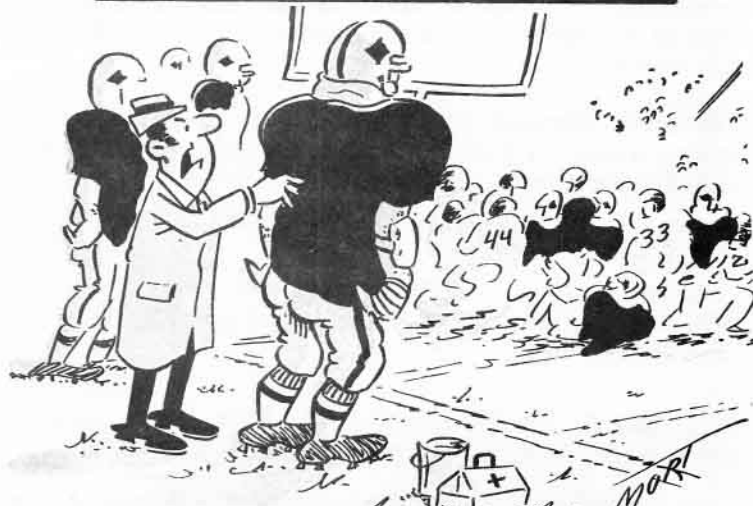
The committee requests that those employees who feel they can give blood, but have not been approached cut out this form and just give it to the timekeeper. The committee will take it from there and you will be contacted.

I WOULD LIKE TO DO MY PART  
IN THE ROPER OUTDOOR PRODUCTS  
BLOOD PROGRAM:

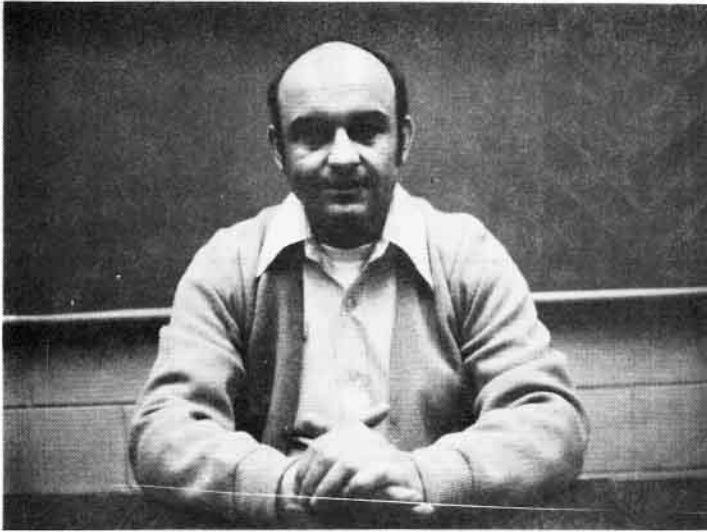
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"We gotta get their middle linebacker outa there! Go in and say nasty things about his restaurant so he'll slug you!"



**OLD TIMER OF THE WEEK**

This weeks honored employee is a young Old Timer STEVE SERVE who completed twenty years with the company on February 9. STEVE graduated from old St. Patrick's High School in 1953 starring in football and captaining the team in his senior year. He then attended St. Joseph College for one semester and then came to work here at Bradley in early 1954 but ran into a layoff. While waiting to be recalled he went to work for Northern Illinois Gas Co. until his return on Feb. 9, 1955. He has worked in Stores, Assembly, Stock Handling and Dispatching before being named Foreman in December of 1966. He is currently foreman of Dept. 34, Paint Line.

STEVE spent four years in the Air Force where he divided his time between the Strategic Air Command and the Air Force Academy where he worked in the athletic department. At one time he considered making the military his career, but promotions in peacetime were slow and he returned to Bradley.

This fine Old Timer is a bachelor and his main hobbies are connected with sports. An ardent Cub, Bear, Blackhawk fan he also has been a bowler and has played in the Roper Golf League for years.

### BACK PACKS

Employees who plan to purchase the back packs that are offered for special sale are reminded that the offer runs out March 1.

See Betty Marshall in Personnel and have a check or money order for \$13.39 which is the price including tax. Please make checks payable to Roper Lanco.

### BIRTH

Congratulations to STEPHEN D/10 and Melba GROENEWOLD on the birth of their first child, a girl Nichole Lee born January 28.

**FOR SALE:** 68' Pontiac Tempest, 326 C.I. Engine, 2 door. Good tires, good condition. Call 933-7815.

**FOR SALE:** 68 Camaro with 72' 396 C.I. Engine, 4 U.S. Mags, 4 speed Muncie trans. Call 933-7815.

## IT HAPPENS ON MONDAYS

### "Bowling That Is"

by Harold Siefert

The "Assembly" team by losing all four points has dropped from the lead, and the "Suburbans" have taken over the top spot. The "Welders" jumped from fourth to second on the strength of that four point win over "Assembly". It would be safe to say that we can expect the standings to continue to change right down to the wire with only eight more nights remaining.

The biggest noise tonite was provided by TERRY DUPUIS who continues on that hot streak of his. He came up with the highest game as well as high series, 235 and 592. Even as his team could only come up with a 2746 series. Bowling opposite TERRY on the other team was RON HIRT who had a pretty "fair" nite also. RON had a 205 game and 577 series.

The "Office" team shut out the "Forgers" and as we said the "Welders" did the same to "Assembly"; "Suburbans" took three from "Tool Room", "Truckers" did the same to "Stores" and "Maint." also took three from "Dispatching".

Good games and series were RALPH DOERHING 215-542, RICH CLODI 511, LOU CONOVER 202-500, RAY FORBES 533, DANNY LAFOND 208-560, WILL ESINGTON 214-567, BOB CRAWFORD 211-533, RON HIRT 205-577, and TERRY DUPUIS 235-592. Splits picked up were the 4-9 by TONY STANIZESKI, WAI DUPUIS 5-7, BOB CRAWFORD 6-7, and FRANCIS CLODI 5-10.

**FOR SALE:** 1968 Ford Torino GT with black vinyl top - 302 V-8. New tires. Radio. \$800. Call after 4:00 P.M. 939-7563.

**FOR SALE:** 1971 Vega Automatic with 56,000 miles. New tires. Best offer. Call after 3:30 P.M. 933-7452.

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