

bradley News

Friday, December 5, 1975



RETIREE

Pictured is GRACE FORRESTAL who retired last week after over 20 - 1/2 years of service. On November 25 she was entertained by her co-workers at a retirement party at Sully's Restaurant. GRACE started here on March 21, 1955 in the Cost Department, but has spent the last 19 years in Accounting.

As to plans for the future she says she will rest for a while and then just play it by ear, although some time in the future she plans a trip to California. She says she has enjoyed her career at Roper and has especially liked her job which has really kept her busy, but that's what she liked.

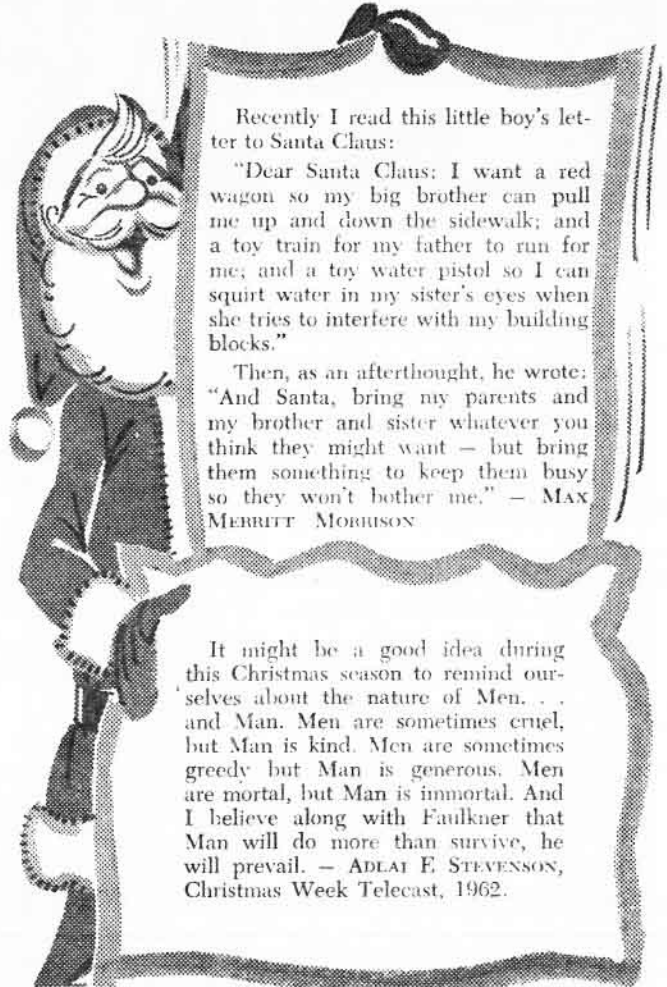
We wish for her a long and happy retirement.

LUGGAGE

ROPER SARDIS is offering several specials on Star flite luggage for the Christmas Season. Order blanks can be obtained from BETTY MARSHALL in the Personnel Department.

FOR SALE: A.M.F. 10 Speed Boys bicycle. Practically new. Was \$90. Can be bought for \$40.00. Call 932-4252.

FOR SALE: 1973 Suzuki 500 c.c. Hi-Rise handles - Sissy Bar, 4,000 miles - clean - \$550.00. Call 468-3551.



Recently I read this little boy's letter to Santa Claus:

"Dear Santa Claus: I want a red wagon so my big brother can pull me up and down the sidewalk; and a toy train for my father to run for me; and a toy water pistol so I can squirt water in my sister's eyes when she tries to interfere with my building blocks."

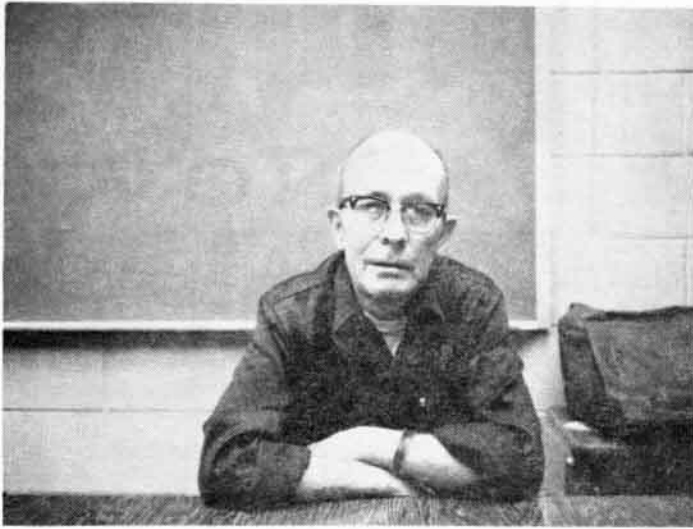
Then, as an afterthought, he wrote: "And Santa, bring my parents and my brother and sister whatever you think they might want - but bring them something to keep them busy so they won't bother me." - MAX MERRITT MORRISON

It might be a good idea during this Christmas season to remind ourselves about the nature of Men. . . and Man. Men are sometimes cruel, but Man is kind. Men are sometimes greedy but Man is generous. Men are mortal, but Man is immortal. And I believe along with Faulkner that Man will do more than survive, he will prevail. - ADLAI E. STEVENSON, Christmas Week Telecast, 1962.

TURKEYS

Since there was no employee picnic this year the company has decided this holiday season to give to each employee a gift of a turkey. As a result, in the next few days, each employee on the active payroll will get a certificate through the mail. This certificate can be redeemed at the A & P Store in Meadowview on West Henry St. for a 10 to 12 lb. turkey. The turkeys can be picked up anytime between December 12 and December 27. Only employees who are currently on active service are eligible to receive these birds.

A word of caution however, there are two A & P stores in Kankakee, but the only one where the certificates can be redeemed is the one in Meadowview, not the one on East Court Street.



OLD TIMER OF THE WEEK

This week's honored employee is ROY LAMONTAGNE who came to work at Bradley on September 21, 1942 after a short time at Amberg's where he operated a printing press. His first assignment here was on the Shell Line where he eventually became a set-up man. He then went to what is now Dept. 10 which has been his home department ever since. For years he was leadman on the 2nd shift, but is now spot welding on days.

During World War II ROY spent two years in the Navy with twenty months overseas in the South Pacific. Attached to an Amphibious Landing Outfit his job was to get the marines into the beach. He participated in landings on Iwo Jima, Okinawa and the Philippines.

ROY and his wife Alvera have been married for 35 years and have five children and ten grandchildren. Son Roy Jr. has been employed here for almost 12 years. Son Lee formerly worked here and is now a heavy equipment operator. Daughter Bonnie is married to Gerald Barnes another ex Roper employee. Cindy, married, lives in Kankakee and Tara, the youngest daughter is married to the son of Ray Perkins of Maintenance.

This fine Old Timer, who has had more than his share of tough luck, says he has enjoyed his 33 years here and hopes to have several more.

NEW ARRIVAL

Congratulations to MARVIN D/35 and Marcia JOHNSON on the birth of their fourth child a boy, AARON MICHAEL, born Thanksgiving day.

We extend sincere sympathy to the family of recent retiree JULIUS MEYER on his untimely death.

Also to AL LONERGAN D/94 on the death of his sister.

NOBODY MISSES THE "5" PIN?"

The only one that I saw miss the "5" pin Monday night was yours truly. I missed the - - - thing by at least 4 inches.

Not too many splits were picked up but there was a few. D. BLANCHETTE 6 - 7 - 10, L. MCQUILLIN 2 - 7 - 10, R. FORBES 5 - 7 and R. HIRT 5 - 7.

Good games and series were rolled by the following: D. LAFOND 212-543, H. REITMEIER 203-515, J. BOUDREAU 201-537, GARY ALBERS 201-530, R. CRAWFORD 534, and T. DUPUIS 522.

The Assembly has taken over the lead from stores and they now have a 4 point lead over the 2nd. place team the Truckers. We only have 2 more bowling nights before the 1st. half position night.



"But how could it be dirty? I just took a bath in it."

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