



# bradley News

Friday, January 23, 1976



## OLD TIMER OF THE WEEK

This week we honor ANDREW RIVARD who started to work at Bradley on his eighteenth birthday, October 28, 1942. His job here has been the only job he ever had. His first department was Inspection, followed by the Shell Line and Cutting-In Room. In 1947, he transferred into Material Control and was promoted to Exempt Status as a Buyer in June of 1959. He continued as a Buyer until the first of this year when he was named Purchasing Coordinator. In this capacity he is a liaison man between Purchasing, Engineering, Inspection and the vendors.

During World War II ANDY spent 2½ years in the Army Medical Corps as a Medical Technician assigned to a hospital train evacuating wounded in France and Germany. His duties took him into eleven different European countries. His rank at discharge was T5.

ANDY and his wife Mary have been married 23 years and have three sons and two daughters. Son Ron 22, is in the Navy assigned to the nuclear submarine Woodrow Wilson. Son Steve 19, is a student at Kankakee Community College in his 2nd year and will study Engineering next year at Bradley University. Son Larry 16, is a sophomore at Bradley Bourbonnais H.S. The daughters Andrea and Marcia are grade schoolers in Bourbonnais.

This fine Old Timer is a past president of the Keymen's Club and enjoys camping and fishing. He says he is grateful for the opportunity to enjoy 33 years of steady employment.



## APPRENTICE PROGRAM

The apprentice programs at our plant are administered under the supervision of the United States Department of Labor. When an apprentice successfully fulfills the requirements of the program a certificate is issued by the government agency making it a matter of official record. Recently three of our bright young men received their certificates and are pictured as they receive their awards from Employment Manager DON BLANCHETTE. JIM PRINCE is now a full fledged Millwright and PAUL SIEFERT a Model Maker. Not pictured is the third recipient JIM CLODI who is also now a Millwright.

Congratulations fellas!!



"It was supposed to be fudge . . . but I think I've invented brown glue."



**RETIREE**

ORLAND HIGGINBOTTOM'S retirement became effective on January 1, but it took us till now to get his picture. ORLAND retired at age 56 after 23½ years of service starting in the foundry and ending in Assembly. His retirement is on the basis of total and permanent disability which stems from a heart attack suffered two years ago.

ORLAND and his wife and family live at R.R. 4, St. Anne where they have 10 acres and where he plans to raise some chickens and do a little gardening. He says he hates to leave but had no choice. He especially misses the candy he used to get every morning from TONY STANISZESKI.

His many friends wish him the best of luck!

**"NOBODY MISSES THE "5" PIN?"**

By Stan Butler

We had some good bowling Monday night but not quite as good as we have had in the past.

Good games and series were bowled by the following: GALE ALBERS 204-568, RON HIRT 203, TERRY DUPUIS 200-560, GARY ALBERS 200, ERNIE PERKINS 551, WILL ESSINGTON 529, DAN LAFOND 526, JIM BOUDREAU 523, ROBERT CRAWFORD 522, and DONALD BLANCHETTE 507.

There were only 4 splits picked up that were reported. The 5 - 7 by LEROY MATHEWS & BRUCE COURVILLE, 5 - 10 by DAN LAFOND & STAN BUTLER.

The top 10 bowlers according to average thus far are:

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|--------------------|-----|--------------------|-----|
| 1. Robert Crawford | 178 | 7. Ron Hirt        | 164 |
| 2. Terry Dupuis    | 176 | 8. Ernie Perkins   | 163 |
| 3. Dan LaFond      | 170 | 9. Stan Butler     | 158 |
| 4. Will Essington  | 169 | 10. Hank Reitmeier | 157 |
| 5. Gale Albers     | 168 | Robert Conover     | 157 |
| 6. Don Blanchette  | 165 | Jim Hampton        | 157 |

**A NOTE FROM TONY BUONOMO**

The twenty-fifth Annual Dinner Meeting and Dance of the members of the Roper Employees Credit Union will be held on Staurday February 21, 1976, at the Holiday Inn, Route 50 North, Bradley, Illinois at 6:30 p.m.

The purpose of this meeting is to provide an opportunity for the members to receive the reports of their officers and committees, and to elect directors for the year 1976. This will be your opportunity as a member to review the progress made by your Credit Union during the past year.

Tickets for the dinner will be available at the Credit Union Office or from the Directors on February 2, 1976, and all reservations must be in by Tuesday February 17, 1976. The price of the tickets are \$5.00 per person.

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| <b>M E N U</b> | Fresh Fruit Cup      | Corn Del Monico    |
|                | Tossed Green Salad   | Choice of Beverage |
|                | New York Strip Steak |                    |
|                | Baked Potatoe        | Special Dessert    |

The dance music will be provided by "THE MEL-AIRES".

This being our twenty-fifth anniversary, we hope to have a real good turn out by the membership.

Tickets will be available from DON BLANCHETTE in the Personnel Department after February 2.

**WEDDING BELLS**

Congratulations are in order for ROBERT DAVIS, Engineering, who became a bridegroom on Dec. 27. The bride is the former Cleve Clanton.

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