



bradley News

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SAFETY COMMITTEE



For many years now we have had a Plant Safety Committee that has met monthly to discuss safety problems and their solution. The committee has always consisted of six members, three from supervision and three from the bargaining unit. Originally the makeup of the committee changed every four months with two going off the committee and two new members replacing them. However, when JERRY POWER took over as Safety Supervisor three years ago, the committee was enlarged to include the three Superintendents, Mr. Stefanich, Mr. Brault and Mr. Kohl, as permanent members since they would be available to comment on safety conditions in their areas.

Then because of the layoff conditions of a year ago there have been no changes in the committee in well over a year.

As a result Mr. Power has decided that all members of the existing committee be replaced at this time and they are shown in the above picture with JERRY as they were presented pen and pencil sets as gifts for their service. In the bottom row are EARL RAYBURN D/15, CHARLES KENDALL D/10, and JOE DIXON D/35W. Back row: MIKE PUFFER Foreman D/25, ART BURROW, Gen. Foreman D/15 and TOM TRAVIS, Foreman D/94. The handsome little guy at the right of course is JERRY POWER.

The new committee will consist of BILL MILONE D/15, BILLY SPAULDING D/25, RAY MCNASH D/35, CHARLES MCCLANHAN D/15 Foreman, ART PEPIN D/10 Foreman, and DWAYNE PFEFFINGER D/35 Foreman.

OLD TIMER OF THE WEEK



This week's honored employee GEORGE LEGRIS, started his Bradley career on September 20, 1943 after having previously been employed at the Bonvallet Canning Co. and the Eastern Illinois Clay Co. His first job here was in the warehouse but it wasn't long until he transferred to Inspection which has been his home department ever since. He was the Inspector in Furniture during its entire existence moving to the Machine Shop when Furniture closed. He is now the Inspector in the new Dept. 20 Powder Metal area, and for years has been known as one of the most competent dependable and conscientious employees in the plant.

For the past six years GEORGE has been a widower as his wife Evelyn passed away in 1970 from a form of cancer. They had been married thirty four years but had no children.

This fine Old Timer has had one big hobby all his adult life, ballroom dancing. He has also been quite a traveler. Five years ago when we last interviewed him he had visited every state except Oregon and Washington. Since then he has visited Hawaii and "discovered" Las Vegas. In the last few years he has visited the gambling capitol three times but stresses the fact that he is really not a gambler but enjoys the shows. GEORGE says this has been a fine place to work and has made some real friendships here.

FOR SALE: New 40 gallon A.O. Smith electric water heater. Call 937-1804 after 6:00 p.m.

FOR SALE: 1972 Chevrolet El Camino, P.S. & P.B. 300 H.P. 350 cube. \$2800.00. Call after 5:00 p.m. 932-5394.

RETIREMENT PROGRAM

In the fall of 1974 we offered a seminar on Preparation for Retirement to all employees 60 years of age and older. The program was held under the auspices of Kankakee Community College who furnished the speakers. The program was held for five consecutive Saturday mornings here at the plant and were attended not only by the employees themselves, but also by their wives or husbands. The subjects discussed were Social Security, Medicare, Problems of Aging, Consumer Fraud, and Estate Planning. The program lasted about 1½ to 2 hours each week and the cost was defrayed by the company. And, oh yes, free rolls and coffee were provided at each session.

Again in the spring of 1975 we repeated the program, this time for employees between the ages of 55 and 60. Both of these programs were very well attended and those who did attend felt it was very worthwhile.

Now this year we plan to offer the course again if there is sufficient interest shown by the employees. As a result all employees between the ages of 55 and 65 who did not attend the previous sessions will be receiving letters of invitation to attend this seminar. We urge all to take advantage of the opportunity to learn more about their coming retirement. The program has been funded mainly by Federal Funds which is the main reason the company has been able to take care of the entire cost. We have been told that, effective in June, Federal Funds will be withdrawn and the cost will be almost prohibitive. So this may be the last time we will be able to offer it.



"I'm not insecure. I'm hungry."



"NOBODY MISSES THE "5" PIN?"

By Stanley Butler

I didn't know that a stiff neck would make you bow better but DON BLANCHETTE started out with a 228 and finished with a 597.

Good games and series were rolled by the following Monday night. TERRY DUPUIS 201-569, BOB CRAWFORD 211-519, WILL ESSINGTON 204-534, DON BAYLOR 200-510, RON HIRT 547, R. BESS 524, BRIAN ALBERS 516, ARSENEAU 520, R. CONNOVER 509, R. WESTOVER 505, DOUG DANKEL 504, and S. BUTLER 502.

The Truckers took 4 points from Maintenance.
Assembly took 4 points from Dispatchers.
Welders took 4 points from Painters.
Stores took 3 points from Office.
Tool Room took 3 points from the Engineers.

The Office still hung onto the lead and Maintenance is still bringing up the rear.

KEYMEN

At the last meeting of the Roper Bradley Keymens Club election of officers was held. The new slate of officers who will guide the club through the next twelve months are as follows:

PRESIDENT
VICE-PRESIDENT
SECRETARY
TREASURER

SAM COFFMAN
DWAYNE PFEFFINGER
HENRY BITTMANN
LARRY BENOIT

The outgoing officers were ORRIN KINNEY, President, HAL MCCLEARY, Vice President, CHUCK CASSIDY, Secretary, and LOUIS GINERIS, Treasurer.

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