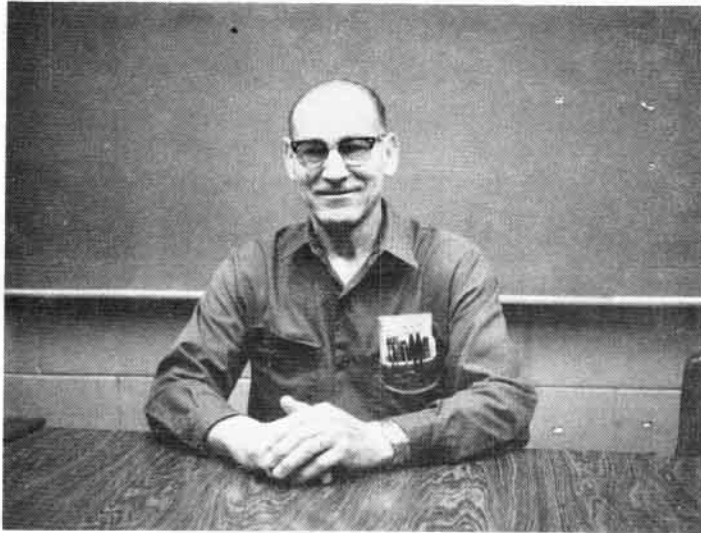


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RETIREE

HERSHEL CAPRON will be 65 on March 23 and as a result will be retiring at the end of the month with over 29 years of service, the last eleven as an "A" Inspector.

HERSHEL will not lack for things to do since he owns two homes on adjoining lots on West Jeffrey Street, one in which he lives, and the other he rents out. He built both homes himself and figures he will be kept busy keeping them in good repair. He also plans some travel. He says he has enjoyed his career here and met a lot of fine people. Although he will be leaving Inspection the name will remain, since son GARRY will continue in that department.

SIX FLAGS

We have received a supply of Six Flags Funseeker Club tickets that are available to our employees and can be picked up at the Personnel Department. These tickets not only provide for reduced admission to any of the Six Flags locations at St. Louis, Texas and Georgia, but also provide for discounts at motels and campsites. They can be picked up anytime, and of course, are free.

We extend sincere sympathy to MERWIN BECKWITH, Test Engineer at the Florida testing base, on the death of his mother.



THE MAKING OF A TRACTOR Part II

Last week we showed the part that Engineering design plays in the making of a tractor. In Part II we will attempt to show how Engineering and Experimental combine forces to build the prototype. In the picture Model Maker WAYNE COYNE is working on a prototype under the watchful eye of Project Designer DICK FRANKLIN. The model they are working on is an SS 1-10 Tractor which has been projected for production in the fall of '76 as part of the '77 line that will also include 12 and 14 horsepower models.

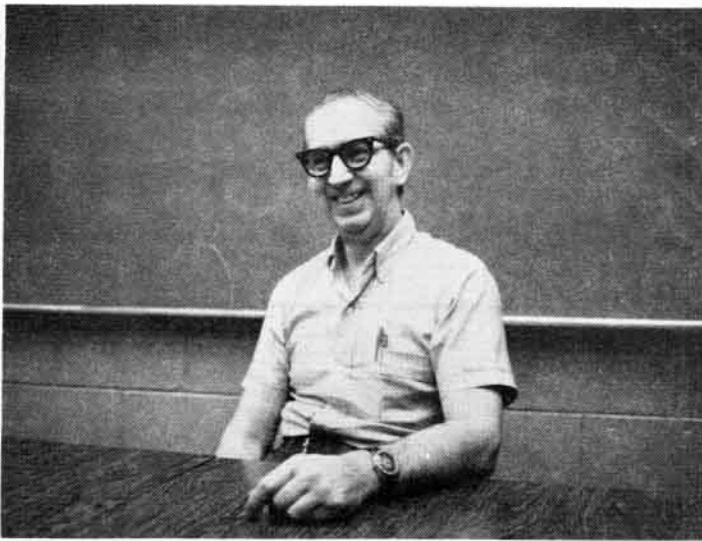
Experimental has been working on these models for well over a year and at least twenty models will have been built from scratch before these tractors will go into production.

The natural questions that come up are: 1) Are these real working prototypes and, 2) If so what are they used for? The answer is definitely yes they are actual working tractors. As to their use some are, tested extensively, some are used to show and demonstrate to Sears buyers and service people who in turn offer suggestions and some are used for pictures in the catalogues.

Next week we will explore the subject of testing.

WHOEVER gives a small coin to a poor man has six blessings bestowed upon him, but he who speaks a kind word to him obtains eleven blessings.

TALMUD



OLD TIMER OF THE WEEK

This week we honor JACK RAINES who started his Bradley career on November 22, 1943. At the time he was a seventeen year old high school senior and was only able to work four hours a day after school. As a result he has never worked anywhere else. After a short stay in the Steel Yard, JACK transferred to the Machine Shop where he remained until 1974 when he transferred to Experimental as an Engine Mechanic replacing Retiree HOWARD RANTZ. He is still in Experimental but early this year his job title was changed to 2nd. Class Model Maker.

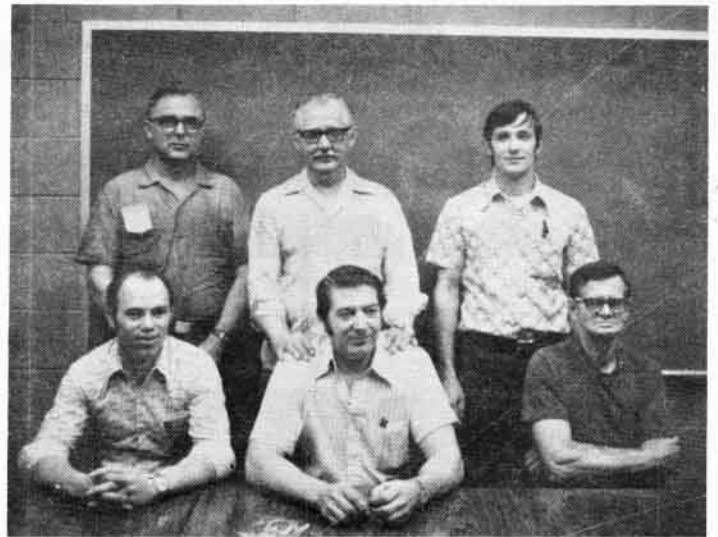
During World War II, JACK was in the Navy and, in spite of the fact that the war ended before he was in a year, he stayed on for two more years. Although never sent overseas he got considerable travel and education stateside.

JACK and his wife Rosalie have been married twenty six years and have five children. Oldest son, Charles, graduated from St. Joseph College, Indiana and is employed by Roper Corporate as an internal auditor. Son Allen graduated from KCC and spent a year at Governor State. Mary Beth will graduate No. 1 in her class this year at McNamara and hopes to attend St. Francis College next fall. Mitchell is a freshman at McNamara and Richard attends Maternity Grade School.

This quiet Old Timer likes to travel and work around the house in Bourbonnais that he took two years to build twenty-two years ago. He has been very active in the Knights of Columbus and has held several offices in St. Viateur Council.

A first-grade pupil came home and his mother asked him the inevitable question: "What did you learn in school today?" "I learned," he said, "that 4 and 4 make 9." "But that's wrong," said his mother. "Well," said the youngster, "in that case I didn't learn anything."

One winter morning, the man heard his neighbor trying unsuccessfully to start her car. He went outside and asked: "Did you try choking it?" "No," she replied, gritting her teeth, "but I sure felt like it."



PLANT SAFETY COMMITTEE

Pictured is the newly organized Plant Safety Committee at their first regular meeting on March 10. Seated are CHUCK MCCLANAHAN, RAY MCNASH and BILLIE SPAULDING. Standing are BILL MILONE, ART PEPIN and DWAYNE PFEFFINGER. Other members of the committee who are permanent are the three Superintendents WEBB KOHL, LOU STEFANICH, and EVERAL BRAULT.

NOBODY MISSES THE "5" PIN?

By Stanley Butler

We had a very good night of bowling as we had six 20 or better games and thirteen 500 or better series.

LAFOND 222-500, T. DUPUIS 212-592, BELL 211-532, GULCZYNSKI 209-506, ANDERSON 209-512, ESSINGTON 528, R. FORBES 524, METZ 512, BRINKMAN 507 and CONNOVER 502.

Splits seemed to come easy for quite a few also, W. DUPUIS 3-6-7, FISHER 4-7-5, BOUDREAU 6-7-10, ESSINGTON 5-7-9, CRAWFORD 5-10, BLANCHETTE 5-7, and GARY ALBERS 6-7.

The league seemed to tighten up a little bit as the Dispatchers took 4 from Welders, Maintenance took 4 from Engineers, Assembly took 3 from Stores, Office took 3 from Tool Room, and Truckers took 3 from Painters.

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