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# Bomb Shop Keglers Blast Way To Top In Bowling League

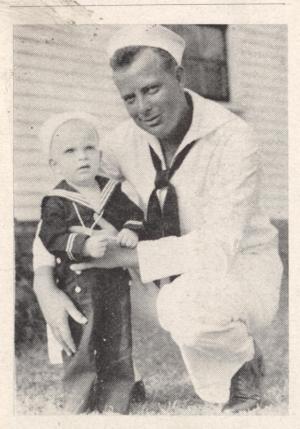
With competition still keen, the bowlers from the Bomb Shop hold a three game lead in the plant bowling league with but two weeks remaining in the first half. They have 27 victories to their credit against 12 defeats.

The Main Gate and Coke Plant, with 24 wins each, are tied for second place, and the Rod and Wire, with 23 wins, is in third position.

The race would probably have been much closer, had not both the Bomb Shop and Coke Plant been handed three games on a silver plat-ter when the Wire Galvanizing team failed to roll them.

Raymond Bauer continues as the league's leading bowler with an average of 189, and the "Duke" topped Bernie Stamper's high single game by one pin when he rolled 257 recently. His 658 three game total has not been topped.

The Coke Plant strengthened their hold on the team high three game total by breaking their own record with a new score of 2718.



James O. Schaeffer, a former employee of the Mechanical Department, who is now in the navy, and his son Jimmy, who also hopes to be a sailor like dad one of these days.



We are observing our Fourth Christmas at war, fighting on land, on sea and in the air to preserve those principles and freedoms which represent the true spirit of Christmas-peace and good will among men.

Victory is in sight, but we must double our efforts, even though it means personal sacrifice, to bring, to us and our children, a lasting peace before another Christmas rolls around.

> L. D. HUESTIS, General Manager

## Five Employees Go Cpl. Arden V. Brady To War In November

The month of November saw five more employees of Portsmouth Works leave to take up arms against the enemy. No one returned from service during the month and there are at this time four hundred and twenty-one employees on active duty with our armed forces.

Those who answered the call to colors during the month were: Earl W. Bennington and Wilbur W. Lisath, helpers in the Brick Mason Department; Ralph E. Johnson and James H. Leadingham, laborers in the Barrel Shop and Thomas Spriggs, laborer in the Wire Mill.

We are still looking for the addresses of many of these employees in service. If you hear from any of them be sure and send us their address so we can mail them the Plant News each month.

# Killed In France

Cpl. Arden V. Brady, 28, a member of the Plant Protection Department, was killed in action somewhere in France November 22. He was the ninth soldier from Portsmouth Works to lose his life in World War II.

The soldier was employed as a patrolman at the plant on March 23, 1942. He was inducted for military service on September 19, 1942 and assigned to an infantry unit at Fort Jackson, S. C. He had been overseas since last August.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Betty Brady, who resides at 5936 Farney Avenue, Sciotoville, his father, Ralph Brady of 1231 Grandview Avenue and his mother Mrs. Frances Daines of Dayton. He also leaves a sister, Mrs. Joyce Arn of Coles Park and one brother, Pvt. Frederick Brady in the army medical corps in France.

Days Worked

## PORTSMOUTH



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# A Christmas Tip

After you've taken care of everyone on your Christmas gift list, make sure that the celebration of the day in your home will not end in tragedy which so often happens as Americans celebrate a holiday.

If you put candles in your windows, be sure the curtains are securely tied well away from the flame.

Do not, under any condition, decorate your Christmas tree with lighted candles.

If you use strings of electric lights, be completely certain that the wires are well insulated and that the lamp sockets are deep enough in their shell of insulation, so that no tinsel or other tree decoration can possibly touch the live parts of the socket.

And if you use metal reflectors on the lights, see that the metal foil is well insulated from the metal socket and lamp base.

Candles and poor electric equipment have caused many fires that plunged happy Christmas celebrations into sorrow, suffering and expense.

The greatest cause of all holiday tragedies is still the automobile. When visiting friends and relatives on Christmas be extremely careful in your driving, especially if the streets and highways are not in good condition due to sleet, snow or ice.

Above all, if you must drink alcholic beverages, DON'T DRIVE. Gasoline and alcohol is a sure formula for disaster.

## Make Your Christmas Safe

# Safety Honor - Roll

This Record includes the days between the last lost Time Accident in your department and December 1, 1944

DEPARTMENT	SUPERVISOR	Without a Lost Time Accident	
Nail Galvanizing	John Ressinger	4370	
Locomotive Repairs	C. L. Sunafrank	3545	
Tie Plate Machine Shop	Elmer Stegman	3458	
Coal Handling	R. E. Delamater	3225	
Blacksmith Shop	Claude White	3222	
Tin Shop		2770	
Spike Mill	Geo. Ford	2759	
Rod & Wire Labor	E. Brescia	2087	
Roll Turning	H. G. Vaughn	1996	
Foundry	A. E. Forsberg	1622	
Machine Shop	George Born	1579	
Police	A. J. Lewis	1572	
Coke Ovens	O. J. Deitzler	1443	
Road Mesh	Carl Heinisch	1138	
Boiler Makers & Iron Wkrs.	Cecil Brammer	923	
Rod & Wire Shipping	Franke Gasele	912	
Barbed Wire	John Olson	898	
Scrap Salvage	C. W. Walter	762	
Rod & Wire Mech.	Wm. Livingston	682	
Pipe Fitters	Carna Duffy	679	
Paint Shop	Homer Stanley	651	
Inspection & Laboratory	C. E. Kessinger	516	
Rod & Wire Galvanizing	Lance Smith	492	
Nail Mill	J. P. Arthurs	405	
Blooming Mill	Wm. Meguigan	386	
Field Fence	Carl Heinisch		
Boiler Houses	Claude Weidner	386	
Blast Furnace	H. E. Baughman	$\begin{array}{c} 350 \\ 299 \end{array}$	
Coke Handling	R. E. Delamater	296	
Coke By-Product	R. Green		
Rg. Boiler Manufacture	John Thornton	$\begin{array}{c} 281 \\ 272 \end{array}$	
Tie Plate	Wm. Meguigan		
Rod & Wire Bundling	Henry Lowis	$\begin{array}{c} 259 \\ 253 \end{array}$	
Bbl. & Rg. Boiler Galv.	Henry Lewis L. M. Bell	246	
Coke Plant Mechanical	Fred Zeisler	192	
18" & 24" Bar Mills	Wm. Meguigan	182	
Carpenter	W. L. Ross	157	
Wire Mill	Wm. Seburn		
Rod Mill	Geo. Kitchener	155	
Department No. 17	Andrew Toft	147 112	
Mechanical	C. H. Nunamaker	95	
Blast Fce. Boiler House	John Hurley	95	
Barrel Shop	A. Applegate	56	
Department No. 16	Harry Hunt	55	
Open Hearth	E. E. Brown	31	
Yard, R. R. & Labor	E. B. Campbell	19	
Brick Masons	E. L. Allison	10	
Electrical	H. C. Mosley	4	
Total for First Eleven Months of 1944 39			
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#### THE SPIRIT OF SAFETY

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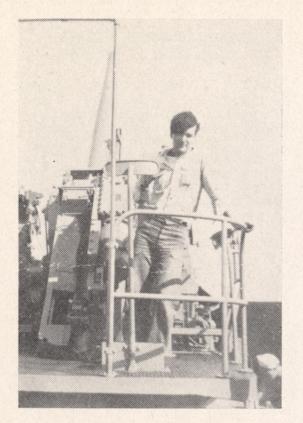
Like the Spirit of Christmas, the Spirit of Safety, when once it takes root, tends to develop such admirable qualities as consideration for others, harmony and good will toward all.

May the coming of Christmas be a most joyful and happy occasion for you and yours.

—THE SAFETY DEPARTMENT.



Paul Reiser at the age of 15. The lame arm which is resting on the donkey was caused by brothers Carl and Orville who had a mania for chewing Paul on the arm.



Otis Wm. Carver, gunner's mate in the U. S. Navy is on duty in the Atlantic. He is a son of Wm. Carver, hot loader in the Blooming



Pvt. Lowell Bennett and daughters Mildred, 2, and Betty, 4. He is the brother of John Bennett, Department 17, and son-in-law of J. E. Johnson, Nail Mill.

# 器器器 Coke Plant Breezes 器器器器

-by John Payton

Here we are again with the old monthly fun. Coke Workers, before you get the next issue of this "big little book" the old year of 1944 will have passed into history. Some of our pals have died a natural death, while others have died on the battlefields in misery and pain, in defense of this, the "Peerless Nation" in which we live. I think we should stop and study it over, and see whether or not we have been as fair in every respect, as we should have been. And, if we find that we have not, let us make a resolution to correct all mistakes made in the past, and see that they do not happen again, with the thought in mind that our pals, and relatives will be home sooner if our 'mistakes' are fewer.

As this year comes to an end, let me thank you for your cooperation in helping to get the news in, and for the fine spirit in which you have taken it all thru the year.

John Denton is in the news again this month, with some advice to all of us. John says "Never eat anything handed to you by Strehle or Si Franck." The reason is these boys gave him a pheasant, dressed and ready to cook, and after John had eaten it, they told him it was a chicken hawk. John, I promise not to say anymore about it.

getting the meat cut the way he readily admit that the days of their wanted it. After this he swore off raising hogs and proceeded to tear the hog pen down, only to be caught in the act by his wife. The pen has been rebuilt and more hogs will be

Can anyone tell us why F. E. Meyers' ring set was found in Smedley's car after it had been reported lost in the electric shop?

Apparently, a wild cat has been running loose in Lewis County, Ky., to the consternation of the vastly populated territory. Bill Manning insists that it is not one which escaped from a circus, but one that was purposely turned loose to take his place when he left Kentucky.

All the boys claim they can buy the same do-nuts that L. A. Davis sells for 5c each, at 10c per dozen.

Jack "Griper" Herbst will rest easier if he will stop worrying about the 1945 income tax, your uncle F. D. R. will let you know all about it when the time comes.

The deer season was open for one week and Press Arnold, Harry Widdig, Slim May, and several more of the big game hunters availed them-selves of the opportunity to make a respect, I would like to continue as Henry Knigge butchered two hogs kill. After nearly freezing, going is. that he said cost him \$105.00 each. hungry all day, tramping the woods Jack Herbst reports he was only five for miles and miles, only to return days butchering, making sausage and at night with two rabbits, the boys

youth have passed. I would like to have seen Press Arnold when he fired the shell that was loaded with a half pound of solid lead.

Bill Burns reports that he will have to buy his wife another wash tub, as she only had three and he has just finished filling the last one with War Bonds. We believe every word of it Bill and think you are doing a good job.

As we close the year in this issue, let me say Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to All, including the Boys in the Service, Jack Zeek, Claud Vicars, Milton McAdams, Burt Brunner, and the many others who are now serving in the Armed Forces of Our Country. Also a cheery "Hello" to Richard, "Mope" Evans and Art Goodman, wherever you are.

You all know what my resolution is at the end of the year. It is the same each year. I promise you that some of you will get a rest from the news, while some who have not played a big part will find out how it is to make fun for the rest. I promise not to lie on or about anyone or anything, and while I am known as a

> Again "Merry Christmas," JOHN W. PAYTON.



Chief of Police Albert Lewis and Patrolman Ray Saddler proudly introduce you to the four new arrivals in the Police Department which we announced last month.

#### Rod & Wire Electrical

-by Howard Pherson

Could it be that Howard "Swamp Toad" Routt and "Dodad" Charles Allen had anything to do with "Asketh" Sayeth's bringing out those cigars? That wedding was a long time ago. Could be.

Kennedy pulled a fast one on the gang. He was married without our knowledge. You can't do that to us. How come only a few were treated? Best of luck anyway.

That hot pepper sure played havoc with those new trousers of P. L. Manley's.

Checker 'er for a ground, Slim.

"It was a little girl" says Memphis Jarvis. Mother and daughter are getting along fine.

It is Grandpa Willoughby White now. The mother is Mrs. Mary Tomlin. Congratulations to parents and grandparents. \* \* \*

Sgt. Wilbur Cooper, formerly of Department 17, was home on furlough after completing 35 missions as a Fortress gunner. A brother, Ralph, is serving in France.

Harve Pollard, George Logan and Russ Jenkins are the most recent ones accepting new jobs in the upper mill. So long, it has been nice knowing you.

L. V. Smith is homesick-homesick for California.

Oddities: Rudy at work; Messer out of the dog house; "Asketh" Sayeth listening; Doc when he isn't laughing; Jess Beoddy without his pipe, and Henry Simon when he is not yelling "Who haw".

Let me take this means of wishing you, one and all, the Season's Greet-

#### Brick Mason News -by "A Boot" & an "Old Shoe"

Who is it that is known around the gang as "Wild Cow Boy"? What's the matter, Ed, are you afraid of a bull?

Who was it that was supposed to go hunting at five o'clock in the morning and didn't get started until noon? They tell me the little woman was mad.

It is a known fact that Pat Mc-Coy hasn't killed a rabbit this season. His cousin kills them all.

We understand that a local hospital put in a rush call for ether when a certain bricklayer visited there to have his teeth pulled. Every time the doctor would pull a tooth Bud would yell, "Another can of ether, doctor". You shore are a purty boy, Bud.

All the bragging and blowing that Taylor Brown did about killing a deer last fall was just a lot of wind, for we found out that the deer was bought and paid for, twenty-five dollars cash on the line.

"Bugs" Bob has returned to work after a short business trip to Cleveland, looking much better.

Who is it that is the papa of a twelve pound bouncing baby boy, who is getting the ground ready to raise a big crop of tobacco so he can pass out the cigars.

We want to take time out to thank all the readers of this column and a Merry Christmas to all of you from "A Boot" and an "Old Shoe".



Robert Lee Adams Jr., son of Bob Adams, machinist and grandson of Ray Adams, power house engineer.



Earl R. Bradley serving with the Navy in the Pacific, and brother Maynard of Honolulu, sons of Allen Bradley, Quik-Lox helper in the Barrel Shop.

#### Mechanical Musings -by F. Etterling

Harvey Hook, Nimrod of the Tin Shop, spent more time hunting a place to sit down than he did looking for deers. Next time you go hunting, Harvey, don't eat so many hamburgers. Perhaps they gave you that tired, run-down feeling.

George "Sitting Bull" Born, should have spent his wampum for a tee-pee and squatted on some reservation instead of moving into a house built for pale faces at 25th and Ritchie streets. He is continuously yelling about the neighborhood like a stark raving-mad, crazy indian with the hot-foot. Neighbors promised to buy him a Tom-Tom for Christmas if he would learn to speak in their tone of voice.

Mope "Steam Trap" Chamberlin would like to install a steam trap on his automobile but every time he attempts to take one out of the mill the Pipe Shop. a guard makes him tote it back to

Otha Horsley, Tin Shop, likes to sleep in a well lit house with plenty of noise. The only sound that disturbs him is a bell ringing. When visiting Mr. Horsley don't bother to knock on the door, just go to a neighboring house and call him by phone. He'll jump eight feet.

Leonard Crawford, Boiler shop, would like for Santa to bring him some color and funny books for Christmas. When not climbing smokestacks, Len likes to lay in bed on Sunday afternoon and read the adventures of Super-man, The Green Lantern, Captain Mid-Night, etc. \* \* \*

Something the entire Mechanical Department could do without: Cecil P. Brammer's "Why so High?" every morning at 9:00.

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James Louis, Louis Bond, Ollie Hilt and Charles Reynolds say U. S. WAR BONDS are the best invest-ment in the world. Keep on invest-

Leon Bell, Dave Williams and Ralph Eddy circle around the desk; now they are in a huddle; they shake hands—the blueprint is ready for the production line. Ralph Whitlatch with a phone in each hand, trys to jot down notes at the same time. Lew Kent maneuvering over a six foot ledger is trying to give dictation above the din of typewriters which sound like noise of nail machines in full blast. Jack Augustin jumps up from his desk, rushes out the door, turns and goes back to desk. This is enough of incentive plan for this time.

"Red" Thair and Kinney Litteral have a razor blade mounted on a 2x4 for protection against that catamount.

John Cuppet purchased a rooster from Elmer Patrick and it crowed for the first time in thirty years. As it crows at 5:00 A. M., Cuppet is going to use the rooster to raise "Cock of the Roost" alarm clocks.

"Ding Dong Bell" Newt Rigsby got stuck in his well. Clell Hall and Kendal Mault served hot coffee to spectators while evacuating engineers made plans to relieve Newt of his

For Sale: Goat milk and shoe strings. Chester Godfrey.

James Mauk and Russell Gilliam sing for us during lunch period.

John Salisbury pushes Roy Car-penter's car. John lost a complete set of work clothes during the take-

Orville Riggs forgot his work clothes and Charles Brown and John Crabtree shared their "rags" with Orville.

The favorite "pin up" jiggers of our turn: Charles Beasley and Darrel Brannon.

Esau Stone, how about some news from the shipping floor. Is Willougby White getting chicken hearted?

Jack Jones, popular barrel inspec-tor, dines often with Gene Eastwood and Fred Shelton at a popular local eatery. Fred holds the tails of Jack's frock tail coat from the pavement as they enter chop house. Gene orders their favorite dish, fresh mignon of Iltrododoor au gratin.

Always when the check is presented Jack excuses himself to make an important long distant call and Gene is stuck with the check. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Reiser in an effort to relieves their cousin of this financial difficulty invites the boys to their home for an occasional Sunday evening dinner.

Clell Hall's hog ate the boards from the hog pen. Leonard Hunt purchased and butchered the hog. Sausage resulted in saw dust.

Lou Staker deposited two cents in parking meter. Waited for jack pot. Result: \$1.00 in the red.

Mr. K. P. Fuhrman, as this year draws to an end the Range Boiler Department once again wishes to thank you for your untiring efforts in keeping us busy as you have in past years. The entire "gang" wishes you a very "Merry Christmas" and hope you will experience a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Range Boiler Department I again wish to thank all who have participated in this column during the past season. This is your column and you have been good sports and cooperative. I wish all a Merry Christmas and may the New Year bring peace and good will to the entire world.



Mrs. Eunice Hiles and children Roger Lee, 5, and Linda Kay, 2, the family of Roy Hiles who is serving with the Army Engineers in New Guinea. He was employed as a loader at the 18" Mill before entering the Army in July, 1943.



Caught by the camera soon after they met at Pearl Harbor are Pfc. Joseph B. Abbott of the Marine Corps and Paul Martin, ship cook in the Sea Bees. Both are former members of the apprentice training class in electric welding at the plant.



Ship Cook and Mrs. Walter Williams who were married August 29 at Russell, Kentucky. Mrs. Williams is the daughter of French Lambert, millwright at the Coke Plant. Before entering the Navy, Walter was employed in the Brick Mason Department.



We just can't see how the cute little fellow on the left developed into that ugly looking gink known as Joe Wetta at the Rod Mill. However, thirty years has made no change in the appearance of Brother Bill, the bundler.

#### Wire Galvanizing Scrap -by Bernice Stamper

There is not much to report this time except that Maurice Oakley has opened a collection agency.

Sam Bolotta received a minor burn and was treated by Dr. J. K. Moore of the Wire Galvanizer.

Glenn (Shiek) Gilpin says the boys all envy him too much. I wonder why?

I was sorry to hear Mr. Yeley did not get elected. He blames his defeat on Lance Smith for tearing up his campaign poster. Better luck next time, my friend.

Harold Semones wanted to teach Homer Bussa how to milk the cow he won, but said it wasn't that kind of a cow.

Why does Sam Bolotta run all the way to Cooper's Corner after work every day?

Harlan Moore has been getting a lot of telephone calls since he told them at the office he was single.

Some of the boys went deer hunting and some went "dear" hunting. Skidmore went around in a circle, but soon found his way out.

I want to take this opportunity to thank John Seagraves for the chicken sandwiches on Thanksgiving and to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

#### Open Hearth News -by Raison and Frantz

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Raymond Prior is of the opinion that women should be barred from future deer hunts. Seems as though Ray suffered an embarrassing incident on the opening day of the recent deer season.

A certain Open Hearth foreman got up at 2:00 A. M., dressed, had his breakfast and was leaving for work when the better half awakened and convinced him it was 3 and convinced him it was Sunday and much too early for work as he wasn't scheduled until Monday at 7:00 A. M. Must have been that Ralph isn't accustomed to Saturday nights out.

Elmer Diehlman of the main laboratory is mighty proud of that baby daughter, but rather at loss as to the proper care. Seems like Elmer had to call in neighborhood fathers to teach him how to fold that familiar triangle of cloth.

Harold Booth intended contributing an item about Raison, but failed to keep his promise. Perhaps it was intimidation.

Wash McGinn almost had a deer this season. Wash also reports that Kentucky is the only state having

There may be merit to Midget's acquiring the nickname of "Screaming Midget", but what we would appreciate is an appropriate word for "Slow Boy" Toth's mutterings when things go wrong.

As far as anybody knows. Charley Newman still has those fish packed away in the ice box.

We understand that Count McConnell and his helper have been in the throes of "cut-throat" competition.

Harold Herdman repeated this season for his second deer and we hope he is considerate enough to see that Little Arthur has a few steaks.



Billy, 3 and Kathleen, 1, children of William Ruark, helper in the Field Fence Department.



Sgt. Evan LeGrand, former core maker in the Foundry, was killed in action recently somewhere in Burma. He entered service in December, 1942, and had been stationed in India for the past 18

#### Carpenter Shavings -by W. L. Ross

We extend our deepest sympathy to Willie Burton whose father died November 14, 1944.

Wilbur Bobst found to his sorrow that he made a bad mistake when he charged Cleve Holston a dollar for a Coon, for which he lost a day's work later that he might have had.

That may be just talk Wilbur, we don't think Cleve is that kind.

Janitor Wanted:

See Elmer Church for further information.

Elmer seems to have a lot of trouble getting his car to run and it has been intimated that if he would have a motor installed in it, it might run better.

Bob Bradburry is trying to claim the record for getting the most rab-bits. Better be careful Bob, the Game Warden may be checking on

We think there was some misunderstanding here. A certain fellow claims that Wilbur Bobst said his dog could jump up a tree ninety feet and get an opossum, but we think Wilbur said nine feet.

John Essman, who did a lot of hunting in his young days, got the fever to hunt deer. He got his old trusty rifle and started out. He soon spied what he thought was a deer, but when the smoke cleared away John had shot his own cow. This story was told by Bill Lansing.



## Barrell Shop Bulletins Bases Barrell Shop Bulletins

-by "The Young Man"

We wish each and every employee of Portsmouth Works a very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Prosperous New Year. Let's all hope and pray that ere the next Christmas rolls around "peace on earth, good will toward men" shall once more prevail throughout this troubled world of

Frank Warnock, a former boss in the head department who has been serving in the Merchant Marines a long time, has returned to work in the shop. A hearty welcome, Frank, from all the boys.

Gene Eastwood is apparently in a perplexing predicament. He don't know whether to join the WACS, the WOPS or the WOWS.

James Leadingham of Walnut Street and an employee of the Barrel Shop has been inducted for military service. Sorry to see you go, and we hope you are back with us again real soon.

Paul Spry, the painter and Bill Schlitz, the "Pretty Plugger" have both recovered from their illness and have returned to their jobs.

Pearl Buffington, double seamer operator, but better known as Street in Portsmouth.

Charles "Chad" Behrens of Fifth Street, the pride of "Bona-Fiddle" has taken a job in the store room. Al Weghorst informs us that Chad is fast and furious and is already handling the "old plugs" just like a veteran.

Notice to Range Boiler men: Ask Walter Dressler to show you the lovely citation which he presumed he had received from the Secretary of the Treasury for selling War Bonds. Was Walter's face red? Wow!

James Everman has learned a lesson and wants the whole wide world to know that he will never again bet against F. D. R.

Ora Dodds, a former crane follower, has taken a job as inspector on the new line.

Joe Davisson, well-known electrician who has been detained at home for several months because of illness and an operation, has returned to his job. A hearty welcome, Joe, from the entire gang.

Joe says he greatly appreciates what all the boys did for him during

"Poopy-Deck Pappy", recently bought a nice new home on Seventh thing.

Herman Kreuger, shop veteran, has returned to his old love—foreman of the I. C. C. Department.

Howard Nagel of the loading gang has returned to his job after an absence of many months because of illness and an operation.

Walter "Tub" Coleman of Lucasville and handsome Charles Abbott of Sciotoville, recently joined the ranks of the benedicts. Congratulations from all the boys.

Sure, sure we know and all the fellows realize that there is a serious shortage of cigars just now.

Things Seen In The Barrel Shop:

An unidentified man, smoking a fine looking cigar and displaying another one in his vest pocket.

A well-known foreman scraping the leavings from five gallon ice cream cans.

Three men, by actual count, each one having in his possession a real package of a well-known brand of cigarettes.

Believe it or Don't: Walker "Dick" Kidwell, petite painter, recently took time out to attend a football banquet.



Although "Windy" Wohler writes "there's nothing but hard work in the Sea Bees, fellows", he seemed to be taking life pretty easy when this picture was snapped. "Windy" who was stock clerk in the Barrel and Range Boiler before he joined the Navy in August, 1943, is now storekeeper at the Naval Construction Base in Davisville, Rhode



Spencer Goudy, who died recently at the age of 58, was employed for almost a quarter of a century as a stationary engineer at the plant. A first class engineer, he was well liked and respected by all who knew him on the job and off. He was employed at the Coke Plant at the time of his death and leaves his wife, Mrs. Edith Goudy, a sister, Sadie and a brother, Brooks.



Howard E. Duffy, eldest son of Carna Duffy, pipe fitter foreman, enlisted for military duty on August 1, 1944. He is now stationed at Camp Crowder, Missouri. A former employee of the Blooming Mill, Mr. Duffy enlisted in the army in 1934 and served six years. His wife, Phillis and daughter, Barbara, reside in Mobile, Ala-



Harold C. Almond, S 1/C on the U.S.S. Clamp in the South Pacific, in the son of Mason B. Almond crane operator at the 18" Bar Mill.

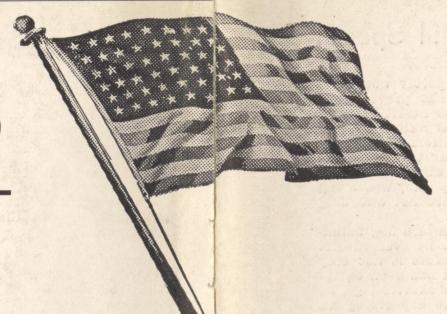


Clarence E. Sparks, training with the infantry at Camp Blanding, Florida, is the son of Willie Sparks, truck driver in Yard Department.



Cpl. Howard Lee Riddlebarger is serving with the Army Air Force in Australia. He is the son of Clarence Riddlebarger of Dept. 16.

# HONOR



# ROLL

McLAUGHLIN, CHARLES McMAHAN, JOHN McMANUS, CHESTER A. MEENACH, HARVEY G.

MEENACH, RAYMOND MILLER, AALFRED

MONTGOMERY, HOMER MOORE, EUGENE F.

MILLER, LEO MILWARD, JOHN N.

MORRIS, FOREST MOXLEY, EARL MOWERY, DENNIS

MOYER, WOODROW MUCHA, WALTER E.

MURTA, DONOVAN

NAGEL, CLYDE G.

NOLAN, JAMES G. NORRIS, LAWRENCE E.

PACK, ALVIN PARLIN, CLYDE E. PELFREY, OLLIE

PERKINS, LOUIS

POSTON, DENVER

POTTS, FLOYD

POTTS, OAKLEY

REED, ALBERT

RHEA, JOSEPH T.

RIDOUT, OLLIE D.

RIFFE, EDWARD W.

NANCE, HOMER NELSON, VALLIE NEWMAN, CHAS. O. NEWMAN, CLEVE E.

NEWMAN, ROBERT LEE

NOURSE, BERNARD B. NUNLEY, ROBERT

PELLEGRINON, ARTHUR PENDELTON, JESS W.

PERRINS, LUCIS
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PITTS, RAYMOND
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PURDY, WILLIAM B.

QUILLEN, CHARLES N.
RAMEY, HAROLD
RATCLIFF, CLIFFORD
RATLIFF, VERNON

REINHARDT, GEORGE

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SCHARF, RAYMOND G.

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ALEXANDER, PERRY
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ALLEN, EDGAR A.
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ARTHURS, THOS. J.
ARTIS, HOMER
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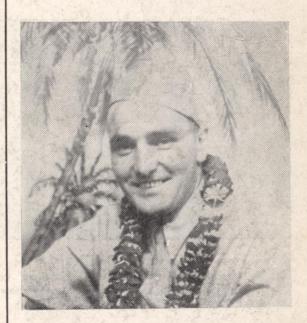
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\* YOUNG, HARRY

ZEEK, JACK



Cpl. Earl E. Williams, a former welder in the Range Boiler Department, is now serving with a parts supply unit somewhere overseas.



Ben Carver, serving with the 37th Division somewhere in the Pacific area, is a brother of Wm. Carver, hot loader in the Blooming Mill.



Gilbert E. Ellsesser, recently promoted to Chief Petty Officer in the Navy, is on active duty somewhere in the South Pacific.



Forest Edgar Jr., 3½, Alfred Leroy, 2, and Paul Elmer, 9 months, children of Forest Hunt, operator helper in the Nail Mill.



Five sons of Emmett Coldiron, oven man at the Coke Plant. Sebastain is in the infantry on New Britain Island, Walter is in England with a field artillery unit, Marion is serving with our armed forces in France, Harry Wade and Junior are at home.



Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Horne and their son Pvt. David M. Horne, who is with our armed forces somewhere in the South Pacific. Mr. Horne is employed as time checker in the Brick Mason Department.

## Blooming Mill Special

December 1944

Our most apt reporter and little chum, "Kenneth", has proven that ne is not only a fair rabbit breeder, but a dog trainer as well.

We have been informed that he sent his prize rabbit to the recent snow, but the only thing resembling a ribbon received by him, was a tag which stated "We are not awarding prizes for pygmies".

Kenneth is quite a bird dog handler. It is true that he trained Art Tomlin's dog so perfect it not only sets birds, but if Art had been equiped with a saddle and shorter legs, he could have spent the day riding his prize pup while out hunting, for after the first round of shots were fired the dog stayed between his legs for the balance of the hunt.

Any "duck-built" hunters who want to make gunning easy, see Croninn about training your dogs.

It may also be a good idea to ask him what became of his blue and pink pajamas. Did he trade them to the preacher for a bird?

Charley Speck has a very successful method of securing fresh meat for his table. He sends his little boy out to follow around and kill the deer that Ault misses.

Willie Meyer has started putting out the fudge again. We don't know whether its the holiday spirit working on him or a guilty conscience.

After searching his home for three days in quest of his overshoes, Tad finally found them in his locker at the mill where he had left them the last time he wore them to work. Such absent-mindedness is the result of working with Bill Darby.

We learn that Adam Swords also got himself a deer and treated the pit gang to a feed. After eating a dinner bucket full, Fetty got sick and blamed it on the meat, accusing Adam of finding the deer dead in the woods.

Some claim it was over-indulgence, but we would rather believe that his stomach just revolted at something fit to eat after being used to a diet of hawks, crows and owls.

Bill reports the arrival of a new bunch of kittens at his home which will probably put a smug on Luck's face ,but will at the some time throw him in a sorrowfully reminiscent mood.

And B. S. Collins was caught in the act, by its owner, of killing a tame rabbit that was staked out to graze in the orchard back of his house.

"Speed" Crisp is gradually recovering from an attack of lumbago. Truely "Speed" was in bad shape for he was unable to set down and that's really a handicap for that boy.

# Rod Mill Cobbles —by Joseph Wetta

Charles Rapp lost his store teeth out of his pocket the other day and found them in the scrap baler chewing on an old rag.

Gus Uhl says he is tired of paying income tax and is going to get married.

William Leonard Conklin has switched turns to make a little extra Christmas money.

Orin Womack is back from his vacation, but has no fish stories to tell.

Ask Jim Chapman, Cleaning House foreman, why his educated dog left home on election day.

Whitie says he and Ted did not have to get a red cap to go deer hunting, as his face is red and so is Ted's nose.

Woodrum has developed one of the best money-making schemes of all times. He sells his coat for fifty cents and it grows to two dollars in five minutes. Why can't I keep my mouth shut?

Our reporter Joe, has discovered a new (hair) tonic that one can take while getting a hair cut and never know what takes place. We do know that it effects another Joe the same way.

Doc Sanders wants someone to tell Joe how to get one-eighth out of one-fifth.

Carter and Woodrum were both too confident of themselves last week. They are taking courses in "Will Power" now.

P. A. Ford has named his Chevy "Phillip Morris" so he can have it paged when he loses it.

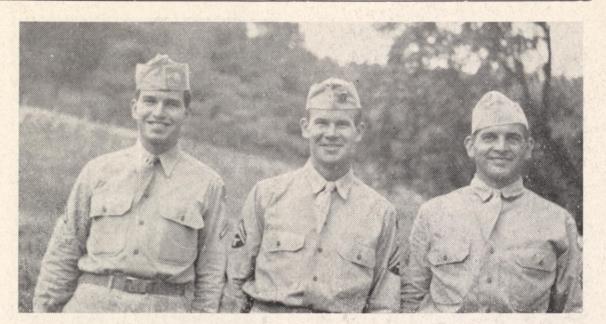
Walter Bowman says he cannot sleep well at nights as he dreams his phone is always ringing about 3:00 A. M. and a haunting voice calls him to work.

Hope Santa brings Lyle Rowe the words to the music "Oh, What A Beautiful World". We would like to hear him sing it.

Dear Santa: Do not forget Hitler and Tojo as we want you to remember them with tons of bombs and you need not stop on your way over Japan and Germany, just drop them as they don't like them that way.

Henry Waring has been such a very good little boy recently there's not a thing we can say about him at this time.

Merry Christmas and a Victorious New Year to everyone over there and here at home.



C. M. Huffman, motor inspector in the Barrel Shop is the proud father of these three sons in service. Pfc. Reginald, 20, is with the Army Air Corps at Rome, N. Y.; Cpl. Milton, 25, is with the infantry at Fort Jackson, S. C., and Sgt. Orin, 27, is stationed at Camp McCain, Mississippi.



Mr. and Mrs. Farris Lowder and their sons, Virgil Eugene, 14, William Kenneth, 12 and Farris Lee, 9. Formerly a welder in the Mechanical Department, Farris is now stationed at Fort McClellan, Alabama.



Marvin, Clarence and Chester Greenhill, who are serving with our armed forces, have four other brothers working at the plant; John and Arlie in the Nail Mill; Charlie in the Wire Mill; and Woodrow in Department 17. Another brother, Amos, employed in the Yard, died November 30.

# Nail Mill Whiskers By Nosey, Newsy and \*

We have been making an attempt to keep in touch with some of our buddies, who, for the present, are working in various other departments.

Pat Bocook is now in the Bundling Room and one of Hank Lewis' right hand men.

Turner, Nickels, Lyles, Miller, Henthorne, Faught, McCune, Stewart, Shaw, Walton, Sowards, Culp, Ratcliffe and others, have made the noisy and busy bomb shop a noiser, if not busier place.

Well, happy days are gone again. Purdy is back with us, to say nothing of Taulbee's return.

There is no truth in the report that Cecil, the crane follower was going to whip his buddy for calling him a Hamm.

"Dead Arm" Stamper must be congratulated on his improvement in bowling. He used to talk a wonderful game. Now he writes an even better one in his "Wire Galvanize Scrap" column.

Answer to question: No, there is no relationship between Ike Henthorne and Wood Moyer. It's the way they wear their chews that causes the resemblance.

Charlie (The Glum) Ferrel brightened up and smiled for a few days. But we knew he'd go sour again for four years after the first week in November.

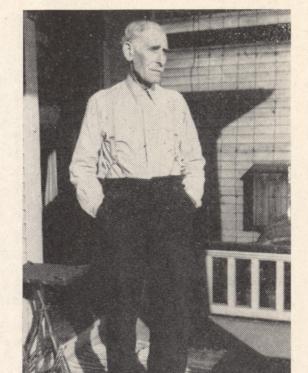
Our super, J. P. A., should be a fine checker player. He sure makes lots of moves.

Stop - Look - But Do Not Listen. Joe McNeil is on the loose again with funny stories.

The Nail Mill employees sincerely regret the passing of a true friend and fellow worker, James Hanners, who died November 26.



Catherine, wife of Burnice Hall, groundman on the electric shovel in the Yard Department, and their daughter Carolyn Sue, 2½ years.



Born at old Buckhorn Furnace in Lawrence County in 1862, William C. Whitlatch witnessed the peak and decline of the old charcoal blast furnaces in this vicinity.

At an early age he began work at Mt. Vernon Furnace and was employed there until the furnace was discontinued. He then worked at old Vesuvius Furnace until it went out of blast in 1906, and at Center Furnace until it was abandoned.

In 1920 he moved to Portsmouth and took employment in the Barrel and Range Boiler Department at Portsmouth Works where he was continuously employed for twentyfour years, retiring on November 7, 1944 at the age of 82.

The employees of his department wish him many more years of happiness.



Michael Terrance Flynn, 10 months, is Flint Osborne's idea of the cream of Kentucky. "Doc" claims a resemblance between himself and this fine little Irish grandson, but we can't see it. Mike has more hair now than "Doc" ever had to our recollection.

# Foundry Castings —by Harold Wiseman

Dan Reffitt is having a hard time trying to decide between a dream and a nightmare. It seems that when Dan goes to sleep, people long since departed from this world, keep coming to his house. He says they are delivered to his house in a truck. Why not ask the driver for a gas stamp or two and maybe he will stay away.

There is one person in the Foundry who keeps bobbing up in the news and that is Spears. He recently went to a picture show and wore those man-size trousers that he wears to work. He paid for a child's ticket and when the usher saw the fold of extra cloth in those trousers, which resemble the popular folded pants he wore at Aberdeen in the early 80's, the boy, who was very young and small, promptly threw "Grandpappy" out on the sidewalk. He says he's been thrown out of better shows than a ten cent one.

If any of you mill men want some advice on matrimonial problems or how to raise a family, see Fatty Kayser. He sure handed Cooper some sound advise along these lines recently.

Our new crane follower, Ike Queen, says he is going to give crane service with a smile and we know Ike can do it.

Ed Shump says if he is going to grind sand we will have to get some better tasting material. As he went to push his load up the runway his feet slipped and buried his face, up to his ears, in the foul tasting stuff and according to witnesses, Ed looked like a sand blaster at work.

We of the Foundry were sad to learn of the death of our friend Sgt. Evan Legrand in service. Ed will long be remembered by all of us as a fellow who always had a ready smile and a cheery word for all who came in contact with him.



Mrs. Reva Hardy, wife of Raymond Hardy, Brick Mason helper and their son Roger Wayne, age 7 months,

December 1944

## Blooming and Bar Mill Ingot Splashes



-by Ken Cronin

The hunting season has been officially opened in the Bloomer and by now deer hunting has pushed rabbit and pheasant hunting far into the background, although most of us who went will have to admit that we are still just old rabbit hunters, as George Justice has been the only one of us so far to be fortunate enough to bag a buck. As for our own personal experience, we are still in possession of the original eight shells we loaded last year and are eagerly looking forward to taking them for a walk in the woods again next year.

John McDaniels continues to run true to form by laying off on day turn to syphon the juice off that sourkraut.

And then, there was Harry Atkins, who, when he shot his first pheasant (on the ground), was afraid to pick it up until he had it identified by other members of the party for fear that he had killed one of the land owner's guineas.

Some awful tales are being told on O. B. Church's prowess as a hunter. The first day they tell me the only way he was able to keep up with the rest of the crowd was by scraping one off the pavement that Paul ran over with the car.

Two days later he and Paul went out again and Ikey was skunked several to nothing, and after hunting till the moon came up he borrowed a lantern from a farmer and in des-



Fred Carver, S 1/C on the destroyer U. S. S. Conway is on duty somewhere in the South Pacific. His father is Wm. Carver, hot loader in the Blooming Mill.

peration walked the fourteen miles back home in the futile hope of finding another victim of a hit and run driver.

And now for some self defense on the part of the trip taken by Art Tomlin and myself. It's true I did



Jimmy, 6, son of Stewart Reed, shear leader in the Tie Plate.

lose my pajamas on the trip, but fortunately I have more than one pair, so there's no foundation for the story that I haven't been able to go to bed since.

Art did take two guns with him, but he never used both at the same time, and as to the half rabbit that Art brought home, which some cruel individuals have been rude enough to say was blown in two while sleeping in its nest, we are willing to swear that this is also untrue as we personally saw this headless animal, minus its forelegs, rush across an open field and attack Art shortly before he killed it, and at that time it was running around on its hind legs.

And as for the dog, she wasn't gun shy, just an inquisitive old soul, who would rush back every time you shot and inquire, "Did you get it chum?"

Any way we brought home the limit in birds and rabbits which topped the performance of most of our tormenters.

Church doubts if George killed that buck because he said it's lips were stained from eating wild blackberries and that Perry has probably had it hanging up that long waiting for George to come after it. We never saw it, so we don't know, but we do know that if we are ever fortunate enough to get one, we hope we are able to have the entire membership of the Portsmouth Ministerial Association along as eye witnesses to testify in our behalf. We don't know why any of the boys should doubt anything we told, but they would.

In singing the praises of their Kentucky women, we have been invited several times by Fred and Mark to stop at their home for breakfast. They promise hot biscuits, ham and eggs, home canned fruit and coffee.

Sounds swell doesn't it? But as a man with twenty years seniority in matrimony we're much too smart to be taken in with any such wishful thinking or dreams like that. What we would probably get would be a dish of corn cakes and a cup of coffee they made themselves.

We have not been able to determine which of two presumably happily married men have been calling up the writer's wife, but if they don't cease and desist, we are going to tell Winnie and Genevieve on them, so help us.

And again it comes time to wish the entire gang a Merry Christmas. It can't be a particularly happy Chrismas for any of us this year, but we can earnestly pray that before next year "peace on earth" will again be a reality instead of just a hope.



Floyd Benson, son of Ansley Benson, moulder in the Foundry, is serving with a tank battalion somewhere in France.

### IN MEMORIAM

We extend our sympathy to the following employees and families in recent deaths:

To Woodrow Greenhill of the Ordnance Department Arlie Greenhill and John Greenhill, of the Nail Mill and Charles Greenhill of the Wire Mill, whose brother Amos Greenhill of the Yard Department, died on No-

To Roy, Clyde, Clinton, Harry and Phillip Speary, all of the Rod and Wire Mill. whose mother died November 29.

To Will Burton of the Carpenter Shop and Tom Burton of Department 17, whose father died November 14.

To James Bruce of the Range Boiler Department, whose sister died October 31.

To Reece James of the Yard Department, whose sister died October

To Charles Bayerl of the Store Room, whose mother died November

To Robert Dunfee of the Mechanical Department, whose wife died November 1.

To Marion Porter of the Yard Department, whose wife died October

To Ralph E. Caldwell of Department 17, whose daughter died November 25.

To William Mosley of the Mechanical Department, whose mother died November 4.

To Charles Rideout of the Yard Department, whose brother died No-

To Jessie Pressley of the Ordnance Department, whose daughter died November 6.

To Chester Carver of the Mechanical Department, whose son died November 8.

To Cecil McCallister of the Nail Mill, whose son died November 2.

To R. Glenn of the Rod and Wire Shipping Department, whose father died November 22.

Grover Pendleton of the Brick Mason Department, whose brother died November 22.

To Floyd Fannin of the Tie Plate Department, whose wife died November 10.

To Stanley Rogers of the Wire Bundling Department, whose mother died November 27.

To Mana Jenkins of the Wire Mill. whose sister died November 26.

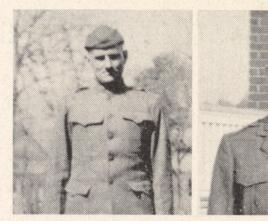
To Everett Schuman of the Electrical Department, whose sister died November 12.

To Ernest Johnson of the Brick Mason Department, whose wife died November 19.

To Amos Skaggs of the Barrel Shop, whose daughter died Novem-

To James Bailey of the Mechanical Department, whose daughter died December 3.

To Frank Cook of the Barbed Department, whose brother died November 17.

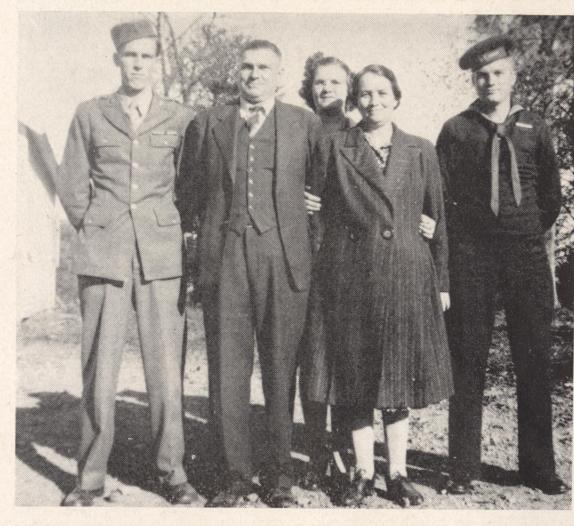






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Albert Dettwiller, handyman in the locomotive repair gang and a soldier in World War I with his two sons James and Joseph who are fighting in the present war. James, a marine, is on the Marshall Islands and Joe, former clerk in the Mechanical Office is stationed in New Guiena.



Mr. and Mrs. Chester Munn and children, Denver, 22, stationed at Camp Breckinridge, Kentucky, Elma, 20, a teacher at Greenup County, Kentucky, and Raymond, 18, who is on naval duty somewhere in the Atlantic.



Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Jenkins and children, Johnny, 7, Jerry, 6, and Cecil Jr., 4. Mr. Jenkins is employed in the Yard Department.

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"Suggestions are a big help in the war effort"

Co-Chairman, Production Drive Stephen Dixon, H. C. Smith

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# PRODUCTION FOR VICTORY

COMPARISON OF SUGGESTIONS RECEIVED WITH QUOTA OF SUGGESTIONS EXPECTED For Period MAY 1, 1943 to NOVEMBER 30, 1944

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No. of	Quota of	% of
Suggestions	Suggestions	Quota
Received	Expected	For Year
429	248	173
42	62	68
12	31	39
35	92	38
17	84	20
18	93	19
38	248	15
9	62	15
19	186	10
9	93	10
9	93	10
7	93	8
1	21	0
645	1406	46
	Suggestions Received  429 42 12 35 17 18 38 9 19 9 7 1	Suggestions         Suggestions           Received         Expected           429         248           42         62           12         31           35         92           17         84           18         93           38         248           9         62           19         186           9         93           9         93           7         93           1         21

As we approach this Christmas season let us stop and think of conditions here in the United States compared to the conditions under which our sons, daughters, or other loved ones, may be spending this holiday.

Many of them have already made the supreme sacrifice in order that democracy, as we know it, may continue to live. Many more lives will be lost as long as the war continues. So, it becomes our duty to do all we possibly can to keep supplies moving to the battlefront. We must all work together in order to restore peace. We have shown what can be done with cooperation and teamwork. Without such teamwork and cooperation our huge labor turnouts would have been impossible.

Germany and Japan are now feeling the results of our teamwork. They make their supplies under conditions of incessent bombing and with enforced labor. We make ours under practically normal conditions and with free labor. Our loved ones have been giving the last full measure of devotion to save all that we hold dear. Let us, on the home front, do likewise and prove to them that democracy will work, the democracy which they are dying daily to save.

We have already shown that Labor and Management, working together, can produce in large quantities, but we have further privilege, yes, an obligation, to still increase production by not only our individual efforts, but by offering suggestions as to how, in our opinion, production can be increased. Millions of suggestions have enabled men, and women too, to raise production standards beyond anything ever before seen in America.

Increased production on the home front compared to diminished production of our enemies will, with the efforts of our sons and daughters, win this war.

WILL WE DO OUR PART?

CHAS. H. NEFF, E. E. BROWN



Paul Grigsby, switchman in the Yard Department, and his son Paul, S 2/C in the navy.



Miss Joan Rudity, stenographer and chief "dispatcherette" in the Barrel and Range Boiler Office.



Mr. and Mrs. Edward Lewis. Ed is employed as first helper on No. 9 Open Hearth Furnace.