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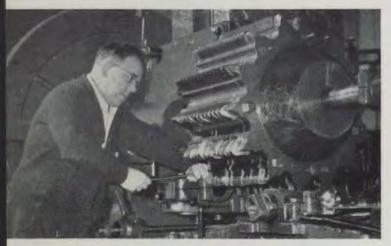
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Rock Island Arsenal Armory Shop in 1913



1943 - Sprockets on a Hobbing Machine, Shop M

30 YEARS AT PETERSEN'S

Skirts Are Up— Prices Down— Stocks Greater

Among the most notable changes of thirty years in any store is the appearance of the apparel section. In 1913 the picture at the right shows the fashionable apparel section of the Harned & Von Maur store with the sweeping, floorlength garments then in vogue.

In striking contrast is the modern Petersen garment section pictured. Coats and dresses are just as attractive, but they are now designed for busy people. Trim skirts, efficient lines, practical materials, smart trimming touches all portray the woman of action of this year. While these garments are now cut on government approved lines (to save materials) they are more charming than ever America, as well as England, finds it best for women to look their best in wartime.

SHOP AT PETERSEN'S—
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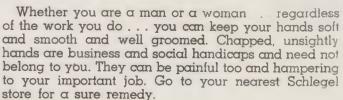
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Editor, R. I. A. RECORD, 121 E. Third Street Davenport, Iowa

Dear Harry,

Just a few lines to say "thanks" for an excellent magazine of a swell gang at work and play. I haven't had the pleasure of serving with what we call "The R. I. Task Force," as I have served in the Navy for the past eight years, but I have witnessed R.I.A. equipment in action. It's terrific.

Of course censorship regulations prohibit using actual names of ships and places, but I can say that the gang on the ship always kept abreast of the happenings at R.I.A. via the RECORD.

Since I have been at the hospital my copy of the RECORD is sent to the gang on the ship (by reason of popular demand). My dad is a member of the Island gang, C. M. Thee, and I'm really proud of him.



Enclosed find a picture of yours truly, sitting on the chair, and a shipmate reading a copy of the RECORD.

So, with a WELL DONE, I am,

Sincerely, R. M. THEE, Chief Petty Officer, U.S.N. Ward 63A U.S.N. Hospital Oakland, California

Service Training Section Camp Santa Anita, Arcadia, Calif. January 30, 1943

Editor, Rock Island RECORD Dear Sirs:

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teresting to know that a copy of it reached me here in sunny California.

I am a former employee of Dept. DTDA 23 in shop H at the Arsenal.

I am now an instructor at Camp Santa Anita, in a technical course for machinists.

I left the Arsenal early in July upon being inducted into the Army, being stationed at Aberdeen, Maryland, previous to being transferred to California.

> Sincerely yours, ARNOLD T. EWOLDT



Loveona Marie is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Northcutt. She recently celebrated her second birthday and received as a birthday gift her second war bond. Mr. Northcutt works in Shop C.



Miss Dorothea Schulz, formerly of the Employment Division, is now a member of the Women's Flying Training Detachment in Houston, Texas where she is a Civilian Student Pilot.

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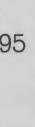
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THE RECORD'S COVER

Mrs. Florence Seiberling, who modeled for our employment story on pages 14 to 18, is shown at her work as a full-fledged Arsenal employee.



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Major Gen. Levin H. Campbell, Jr., Chief of Ordnance, U . S. Army, discusses American arms on fighting fronts.

AMERICAN ARMS IN ACTION

"This war will be won by the superior quality of our armament"

Following are excerpts from recent speeches delivered by Major General Levin H. Campbell, Jr., U. S. Chief of Ordnance. General Campbell's speeches were devoted to a discussion of the quality of the U. S. ordnance now in operation on the battle fronts of the world.

(From an address delivered on the Army Hour, Station NBC, Washington, D. C., December 27, 1942.)

". . . . we find we are ahead of our enemies in manufacturing processes and war weapons.

"An example is our M1 rifle, the Garand. It has two and a half times the fire power of any foreign rifle. It's new! The Germans still use the 1896 Mauser, altered little since the last war. The Mauser is bolt operated. It fires five shots. Each time it is fired, the soldier must crank the bolt, aim again and fire. American troops armed with the Garand aim once to fire eight shots. Eight shots can be fired as fast as the trigger can be pulled. Captured Japanese believe every American soldier is armed with a machine gun, so fast and accurate is the Garand fire.

"Self-propelled cannon—cannon on tank chassis, is an American development.

"Our tanks are ahead of anything the enemy has."

(From an address given on the March of Time broadcast, Station WRC, January 7.)

"Comparative tests showed the German 88-mm. anti-aircraft, anti-tank gun deficient in every respect to our comparable gun, the 90-mm. anti-aircraft, anti-tank gun. The German gun tube is made in three parts, a process used in the United States back around

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At the Main Gate Employment Office, Mrs. Seiberling (whose husband is with the armed forces) files her application for R. I. A. employment.

GETTING A JOB AT R. I. A.

How "Soldiers of Production" are Hired

Mrs. Florence Seiberling, a machine shop trainee at Rock Island Arsenal, modeled the "prospective Arsenal employee" for the RECORD photographer.

On the following pages Mrs. Seiberling demonstrates the procedure every government arsenal employee must go through before he eventually becomes a "soldier of production."

Complicated as the procedure appears, every step of it is necessary, for Arsenal employees must meet Civil Service regulations as well as other qualifications demanded by wartime industry.

Mrs. Seiberling illustrates the employee's portion of the employment process. For an insight into the tremendous job done by the employer (the Employment Division of Rock Island Arsenal) turn to page 23.

 Florence Seiberling, prospective Arsenal employee, arrives at the sub employment office at west entrance of the Arsenal.

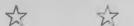


At the information desk in the new Administration Building Verva Hainer helps Mrs. Seiberling by directing her to the proper section.













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At the hiring counter Dorothy Wald assigns Mrs. Seiberling to employing clerk. Left to right (seated) Ruth Miller and Mildred Rice



After completing her personal history forms, Mrs. Seiberling is finger-printed by Paul Cato. Her prints are permanently filed in Washington.



Margaret Oliver photographs Mrs. Seiberling for identification pass.



Good health means better work. Nurse Lucille Hansel stands by while Lt. R J. Neufeld gives Mrs. Seiberling thorough medical examination.



Almost an employee. Marie Gajkowski administers oath of allegiance.



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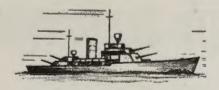
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Completion of the personal history forms by Miriam Phillips.



Eleanor Dale reads Shop and Fire Regulations to the new Arsenal employee. Monthly graphs show that the oral examinations given on regulations aid in reducing shop accidents and saving man hours.



Before final assignment to a machine, employee Mrs. Seiberling is interviewed in the shop by Olive Donaldson and Harry Kleeburg.



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Your stores, the retail stores cooperating with you in making the RECORD possible, have supplied their clerks with the guarantor's badge. Proprietors and clerks alike have expressed their appreciation for this privilege of showing Arsenal workers this badge of cooperation. Speak to the clerks who wear them. You will find them friendly and cooperative. They are glad to have you recognize your friends.



Miss Agnes Agnew of Hills Dry Goods Co.. Davenport, wears her new ROCK ISLAND ARSENAL RECORD guarantor's badge. She says. "This badge ties our clerks and our store into the full page advertising program which our store will use in the RECORD this spring."



stores which adver-tise in the ROCK IS-LAND ARSENAL REC-ORD make it possible for R.J.A. employees to receive their monthly copies of the RECORD.

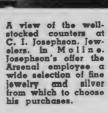
The Quad-City retail



The drapery department at A. J. Hause. Rock Island, will help simplify your spring redecoration problems. They have in stock a complete assortment of curtains, drapes and fabrics for furniture covering.



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Mr. Lloyd Gorham of Gorham's, Rock Island, shows Mr. Ray Bawden, advertising manager of the RECORD, the high quality and fine workmanship of his spring shipment of Hart, Schaffner & Marx clothes.





















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Miss E. H. Clair (left), civilian in charge of Employment, Mrs. Ruth Rintelmann (seated), first assistant and Miss Reba Cowan, second assistant.

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Upon receipt of applications, this section checks them for completeness and passes them on to the Rating section which is under the supervision of Jeanice Wood. When the applications have been



L. to r., (1st row) R. Miller, M. Ekstrom, D. Wald (supervisor), C. Mc-Mahon, M. Phillips, M. MacLean, M. Gajkowski; (2nd row) V. Holdemon, M. Davis, M. Noppi, C. Frazier, V. Hainer, M. Olson, V. Vartanian, B. Cochrane, V. May, M. Marchek, H. Fennell, R. Bediord; (3rd row) P. Nagel, M. Rice, M. Wahlig, G. York, I. Wales, E. Mentink.

L. to r., (seated) Bernice Green, Lois Buhman, Lillian Baele, Elizabeth Jackson (supervisor), Lois Kelling, Doris Schoch, Erna Peterson; (standing) Helen Wieckhorst, Mary Connell; Della Flider, Verna French, Arlene Piper, Marian Van Wie, Sylvia Caulpetzer, Dorothy Stromquist, Edna Waters, Helen Hoffman, and Winifred Kale.





L. to r., (seated). Helen Kintzel, Theresa Themanson, Edith Edwards, Irene Beck (supervisor), Zelda Crow; (standing), J. Edleman, Goldie Tonkovich, M. Crowe, Ruth Freeman, R. Vandermoon, L. Taylor, I. Hardin.



Left to right, "(seated), Helen Johnston, Marion Redshaw (supervisor), and Marjorie Tanck; (standing), Maxine Spicer, Margaret Schmidt, Janice Lancaster, Vicki Vagenas, Esther Van Ness and Helen Rozanski.

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Left to right, (seated), Pierson, Krebs (supervisor), Lawler; (standing) Mendel, Crapnell, Roberts, Slater.



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Rating section: left to right, (seated) Virginia Pease, Jeanice Wood (supervisor), and Louise Griffith; (standing) Lorraine Von Hoorebeck, Marguerita Bardsley, O. W. Barnhart, Doris Cox and Angela Daly.



FINANCE AND ALLOTMENT

Just a reminder to all employees that the Finance Office has War Savings Bonds in denominations of \$25, \$50, \$100 and \$500 for sale. These can be delivered while you wait but must be paid for in cash. Location of Finance Office, Administration Building, second floor, west wing.

When sweet and gentle Marie Claypool first wore that oversize sweater as insulation against the chill office air, and identified the Purdue letter as one she had earned playing football, we didn't really believe her. And sure enough, it turned out to be her brother's!

And we gave aid and comfort to the payroll crew by assuring them that picture in the January RECORD was one taken of four other guys. It must have been!

And we were quite sure no tobacco, even in the pipe epidemic sweeping the office, could smell like that. And whadda ya know, someone had mixed Limburger cheese with it!

So when we first saw that lurid green polish on Eulalia Hickok's nails, we closed our eyes and hoped it wasn't true. A second look, however, was too, too convincing. A heck of a way to treat ten very efficient typing fingers!

By the time this is printed Freda Kosky will be figuring vitamins, calories and ration points on menus for her hubby Al instead of discounts on purchase orders for the U. S. government. Before she left, we gals got together for a farewell party in her honor in the Fort dining room. After a dinner with music we tripped bravely past a whistling stag party to another party room for a song fest, where honesty compels us to admit that the Wisconsinites, though fewer in number, outdid representatives of the other states in their college song. A gift was presented to Freda on her last day at the office.

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Just what did Gertrude Rathe mean when she said her best work in the Red Cross course was when she bandaged a heel?

Why did newly-wed Lieutenant Schaffer remark that a commissioned officer has no K.P. duty until after he is married?

What was the idea of Martha Johnson spending her few days vacation in Wyoming while her luggage spent the identical few days in Utah?

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All the maple-wood devotees of AE were there; the good, the worst and the not-so-bads; scores from 54 to 222 were registered; but who cared? "It's always fair weather when AE Social club get together." The occasion was the Mid-Winter Bowling Mix and fifty keglers spread themselves over the 10 maple lanes at the Top-Spot, Rock Island, on a Sunday afternoon.

Prizes at this event were awarded on a blind bogey basis and the lucky bowlers were Ruth Ann Gruenwald, Nora Welch, Ed Murray, Frank Adams, Mel Loding and Paul Johnson.

Since the coal conservation program calls for a mean temperature of 70 degrees in the offices, there has been a definite trend towards wearing slacks among the WOW's on our floor. So if you can't find your favorite pair of sox some morning, take a look at wifie's stand-ins before cussing the laundry.

The girls of the Ticket Correction section certainly staged a nice send-off for Leslie Bates who left for service in the armed forces. "Les" got a luscious smack from every girl in the group with lots of "good luck" and oomph behind it. We surely hope those old-fashioned girls in the Ticket Writers section were looking.

The top five bowlers in the AE league entered as a team in the Moline city tournament, with high hopes and ambitions. But their scores on the fatal night brought to mind a fairy tale, i. e. "They huffed and they puffed but they couldn't knock the pins down." The gallery agreed they were doing plenty of pin "blowing." Their humiliation is now complete.

Helen Daszkiewicz has been called to service with the WAACS and AE is proud of her. Helen was always very sympahtetic toward her parents' homeland, Poland, and enlisted because she desired to throw her efforts into the war more directly. She reads, writes and speaks that language fluently, and may some day be of assistance in the repatriation of that suffering little republic. Quiet and reserved, yet a keen lover of the great outdoors, we believe she has what it takes.

DID YOU KNOW! Patent U. S. 2301331 has been issued covering a plastic chewing gum. Instead of the well-known chicle previously used, the new "chewing base" will be a hydrogenated pinene resin, which it is claimed will have no objectionable taste, odor or physiological action.

If Peg Judge calls those odd-shaped head-gears she's been wearing, hats, then we have been misinformed by Webster and gone through life very ignorant on that subject. There's just no accounting for some people's tastes. (But they ARE attractive).

Bill (Wolf) Plum almost had us fooled by all those trips down to the "First Aid" recently. In spite of that healthy look we were just getting ready to offer him our sympathy, when someone whispered

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Cafeteria



Marie Walsworth is one of the proudest employees of the cafeteria for her daughter, June, is a 2nd Lt. in the Army Nurse Corps stationed at Ft. Riley, Kansas, and is expected to be called for foreign duty any day. June's father is a foreman in Shop H.

The reason for the employees' enthusiasm for bowling is because Mr. and Mrs. Robert Day are keen on the sport. Mr. Day has been strictly on the beam, and Lucile isn't doing bad, either.

Say, Virginia Finkenhoefer, how are you going to pay your income tax this year if Bob Day wins all your bowling bets? (Jimmy Winner isn't doing any better with his nice, shiny, bowling ball.)

Our Service Flag boasts 28 stars for our boys in the armed services. Among them is Raymond Pasvogel, our first enlistee who has been in Australia for a number of months. Vincent Jager, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jager, both employed on the Arsenal and the latter in the Cafeteria, is stationed at Camp Roberts, Calif. His parents are proud of the advancement he's been making the past four months.

Correction, please: In the January issue the Rear Gunners were trailing Uura Flack's Commandoes by several games.

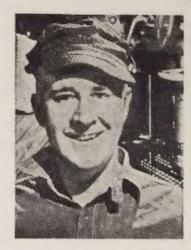
Congratulations are in order to Pauline Ulish and Eugene Cavanaugh, who were recently married.

Sh-h-h! Rumors of a new cafeteria!

Say, did you see that sparkler Margaret Tinker is wearing? Well, it AIN'T an ornament!



Selected by her personnel manager as a typical WOW, Dorothy Langtimm hopes she can continue her job in Ordnance for the duration. Dorothy operates a broach and likes it. She was graduated from Davenport high school and lives at 1730 Fillmore, Davenport. She has "scads of relatives" with the armed forces





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The big news of the month is the return of our Chief, Mr. Hargens, who returned to work February 1 after a seventeen month rest and recuperation. He received Major Burnstine's O.K. January 30 and is now breaking in again, gradually. We can think of no one more glad to have him back than Martin Anderson, who carried on during Frank's absence.

The 10-hour day plague has hit the drafting room again. This time it is Bill Walker's Gage section that was caught. It is highly contagious, as evidenced by its spreading to a portion of Ed. Olson's Gun Carriage section. However, those so afflicted are isolated (from 4:15 to 6:15 daily) and supervisors are hopeful of localizing and finally eliminating all hours over 48.

And speaking of plagues—it's the "flu." Bill Nohelty and Larry Schlueter were two of the more recent victims, both having had more than just a "little touch of" it.

Clarence Clair was laid up three days with a bad cold.

Kwipps by Kasch: "It isn't the cough that carries you off—it's the coffin they carry you off in."

Carl Rasmussen of the Detroit Tank Design Office was a visitor last month. It looked good to see him back in his old environs again. Incidently, two more of our men, Lester Ludwig and Vernon Shields, started working for him February 15.

We are sorry to learn that Vern was called home, before reporting, by the serious illness of his mother.

Les Ludwig celebrated his leaving the Small Arms bowling team with a blazing 507. Incidently, substitute bowlers are getting mighty scarce. The drafting room is starting its second service card. While we are proud of the boys who are serving, it's tough on the Arsenal Draftsmen and Ordnance Draftsmen Leagues. It will probably be necessary to make different arrangements for next season.

Rick Sundeen can quit worrying about his tires now with recaps available.

Bob Neville finally received his call from the Air Force and has reported for duty. He left in good spirits with Miss? receiving a nice smackeroo in the hall. Merle Bushmeyer (1A) expects to be called the latter part of February.

Virgil Johnson (he of the travel orders) became the "strong, silent" type when his voice failed him for a few days.

Axel (Harold A.) Carlson was sent to New York and Boston on a travel order.

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Engineers



Colonel Matteson Transferred

Colonel W. J. Matteson, District Engineer of the Rock Island district since May, 1942, when he succeeded Colonel C. W. Ball, reported for duty at Fort Belvior, Virginia, on February 15.

Colonel Matteson, a West Point graduate of 1928, came to the Rock Island district as a captain in 1939 after holding several important posts in other districts, and he received three promotions here—becoming a major in 1941, lieutenant colonel in March, 1942, and full colonel in October, 1942. During his tenure of office the district completed many millions of dollars worth of construction in the busiest years of the district's history.

All of us in the district extend to Colonel Matteson the best wishes for continued success in



Col. W. J. Matteson

his military career.

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Lt. Col. John H. Peil

In succeeding Colonel Matteson in the capacity of head of the Rock Island Engineer district, Col. John P. Peil established a precedent insofar that he is the first civilian engineer to be appointed after only a few months' service as an army officer, having received his commission as major in July, 1942.

Col. Peil is a graduate in engineering of Purdue university, and has been in the employ of the district for ten years, being head of the planning section prior to being put in charge of war construction for the district. He was employed by the U. S. Engineers on the canalization of the Ohio river previous to his employment in the Rock Island district.

We all wish him a long and successful tenure in his new responsibilities.



The present war is a costly reminder of the value of the liberties and privileges which we ordinarily take for granted.

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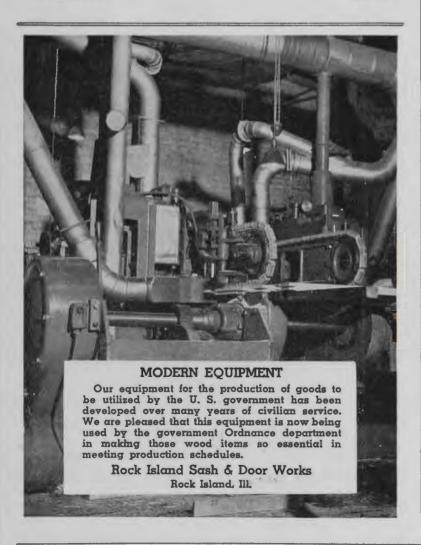
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On the evening of February 4, the IBM room of W1 feted one of their Assistant Supervisors, Wallace Paschke, who left for the Army several days later. The banquet was held at the Fort Armstrong Hotel in Rock Island. During the dinner the guests enjoyed music by the hotel orchestra, and immediately after dining, the toastmistress, Miss Anne Malires, called on several for speeches. The remainder of the evening was spent in dancing and visiting. Those honoring "Wally" were: Mr. Andrew Bohn, Supervisor, and Mrs. Bohn, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Smallwood, Charles Hoffmann, Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Peterson, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Fryxell, Wilma Noe, Bill Bowers, Les Volz, Aurelia Atkinson, Floyd Smith, Harriet Toller, Luella Virchow, Mary K. Scholer, Phyllis Clark, Duncan Fulton, of the Armament School, Alice L. Hourigan, and Maurice Delevere, of Provisioning. During the dinner "Wally" was presented with several gifts from the department. Best of luck, "Wally" in your new undertaking.

Colonel Lynch turned in the silver leaf on his uniform on February 6, but only to exchange it for an Eagle. Our congratulations, Colonel,

Capt. H. D. Bassett, our new Storage Officer, was Vice-President and General Manager of the Norman Bell Geddes Co. in New York before his return to active duty recently. Capt. Bassett was at Rock Island during the last war at which time he was connected with the Carpenter Shop as a 2nd Lieutenant.

Capt. E. F. Powell was assigned as Transportation Officer in January, coming to Field Service from the Transportation School.

Our condolences to Virginia Cherry who slipped and fractured her left arm. What Virginia hasn't explained satisfactorily is what she was doing in the kitchen. We didn't know you were the domestic girl, Virginia.

And our congratulations to Earl Fowler, who was so outstanding when he bowled with the All Stars against the Office Group G. He rolled up a score of 53 in one game against Ken Seelye's 200. Yes sir, nice going, Earl.

Ben Gerwe is doing a fine job as instructor in the Field Service classes. The classes are interesting as well as instructional, and Ben has made many staunch admirers and friends.

Ida Williams of Miss Brown's office holds Geo. W. Davis of the statistical section up as a model for attendance and time card punching. In one year's time he has not missed one minute's time or failed to punch his card.

On February 21 Thelma Sones of the Checking section was married to Bob Wooldridge at the Presbyterian church in Bettendorf. Our congratulations, Thelma and Bob.

Latest report from Jean Kruse's husband, Arno, is that he is now in Africa. Maybe he'll bring you a Nazi's helmet as a souvenir, Jean.

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As is the case in most departments now-a-days, several of "our boys" left for the service last month to do their share in winning the war. Almost all branches of the service are represented with Les Herbert joining the Army Air Corps, Harold Peterson, Navy Air Corps, and James Reilly, Kenny Barkalow, Howard Dort and Wayne Kai leaving for the Army.

Among the newlyweds this month we have Lt. Baxter, Lela Willis Kimbrell, and Dorothy Reudi Nelson taking the blissful step. Congratulations, and best wishes to all three couples!

Clara Biggin is back on the job again. Perhaps we had better explain that Clara worked for our department during the last war, and has returned again to do her share. That's really being faithful!

Favorite joke among the Inspectors these days, is the two window flower boxes the girls are taking pride in. They claim the girls will soon be putting up dimity curtains and bring singing canaries to the office. On the other hand, the girls say they need something to make life more interesting—with the man situation the way it is.

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Mr. Woodward is a chemist at Rock Island Arsenal.

Lieutenant Woodward was piloting a Navy plane on an early evening patrol when he sighted the life raft containing Captain William T. Cherry. After further investigation, Lt. Woodward returned to his base and directed a PT boat to the raft.

After this rescue Captain Cherry reported that the life rafts containing Captain Rickenbacker and his crew were in the same area. The search was concentrated and the survivors rescued.



Lt. F. E. Woodward

Lieutenant Woodward is a graduate of a Minneapolis high school and the University of Minnesota.

He entered the Naval Reserve in January, 1941, and in March went to the naval aviation center at Jacksonville, Florida. He was Continued on Page 61



We are proud to state that the happy-looking 'typical American soldier of production" on the cover of the February issue of the RECORD is an employee of the Maintenance Department. We have not seen Henry Allen about his work lately, however, as he has been ill. We're all hoping he'll be back on the job again soon; and if it will help any, Mr. Allen, we'll all be thinking of you until then.

Donald Gustafson ("Ole" to us), a former assistant in the AM Tool Crib, is gracing Camp Robinson, Arkansas, with his presence (by request). "Ole" says the Army is tough, but goes on to say that he is an equal for it. Well, we hope so anyway.

It's a grand feeling to see our former employees come walking in in a uniform tailored strictly to Uncle Sam's liking. Joe Walters, a new owner of one of Uncle Sam's "suits," was back to see us just recently. All kidding aside, we're proud of you, Joe.

A former member of our efficient department is extending his efficiency into far-away lands. Raymond Stammen is in the fighting forces in Africa, we've heard. More power to you, Ray, and we hope we'll be seeing you soon.

Lester G. Olsen, steamfitter in our Plumbing Division, is the proud "parent" of a nine-pound baby boy. The "blessed event" took place early in February. You have our sincere congratulations, "Pop."

It seems that freshly waxed floors, no matter how pleasing to the eye they may be, are not so agreeable to Bob White, Mr. Lange's former able assistant. Bob was telling us of his breathtaking experience on a day of Sabbath not so long ago, here in the office. Eager to cooperate, Bob turned on his heel at hearing his name being called by Mr. Westphal. Much to his astonishment, and mortification, Bob slipped on the bee-oot-iful wax, and—well, you can imagine the rest. To add to the humor of the situation, Mr. Westphal hospitably invited Bob "to make himself comfortable." How I wish I'd been there! Bob is now a member of the U. S. Army, and though we were sorry to lose him, we're glad to know that he's in there "pitching."

"Jimmy" Normoyle (formally christened James C.), a former employee of the Paint Shop of the Maintenance Department is doing his part in camp at Brookings, South Dakota. Remember, boys and girls, letters to our soldiers, sailors and marines are always more than welcome.

Much to our regret, our good friend Mr. Foley has not been seen about lately, and we hear that the reason for his extended absence is a broken ankle and an injured elbow. Again Ol' Man Winter is to blame—just a little patch of ice did the trick,

. . .

"Hoppy" Donald Hopkins, another past member of Department AM, was recently home on leave from Moody Field, Georgia. "Hoppy," though glad to be home for a short time, likes the Army well enough, and particularly expresses his appreciation of the "peaches" Georgia raises.

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Promotions

Lt. Col. Frank C. Lynch promoted to Colonel, February 6. Capt. M. D. Burnstine promoted to Major February 6. 1st Lt. L. E. Boley promoted to Captain January 26.

Arrivals

First Lt. Eric N. Isakson reported for duty with Field Carriage and Recoil Mechanism Sub-Office on January 30.

1st Lt. James M. Mitchelle reported for duty February 8, and assigned as Certifying Officer, War Bond Officer and Officer Designated to Audit Inventory and Sales Accounts.

The following officers reported for duty and were assigned to Tank Maintenance School: Capt. L. J. Houck, 1st Lt. W. H. Kuhn, 1st. Lt. F. W. Leach, 2d Lt. E. B. Robertson, 1st Lt. H. L. Braun, and 2d Lt. G. A. Fort.

Major Thurman W. Morris returned from Command and General Staff School, Ft. Leavenworth, Kansas, and was assigned to Field Service and Depot Training.

The following officers reported for duty and have been assigned to Field Service and Depot Training: Major R. H. Davis, Capt. Robt. N. Grove, Capt. R. F. Tank, 1st Lt. E. W. Menk, 1st Lt. R. J. Connell, 1st Lt. J. E. VanGieson, 1st Lt. C. B. Deal, 1st Lt. D. M. Hart, 2d Lt. B. A. Rayfield and 2d Lt. H. C. Fish.

2d Lt. W. A. Isenberg reported for duty with Mobile Artillery Maintenance Branch Sub-Office.

Transfers

First Lt. L. C. Fuller transferred to Ft. Knox, Ky., Capt. N. T. Dennis to Camp Santa Anita, Cal., Capt. W. C. Pugh to Hq. 4th Service Command, Atlanta, Ga., Capt. M. A. Compton to Mississippi Ordnance Plant, Flora, Miss. 1st Lt. R. E. Covan to Camp Hood, Texas, 1st Lt. J. R. Porter, 2d Lt. G. W. Burkett, and 2d Lt. J. S. Kohlman to Indiantown Gap, Pa.

The following were transferred to Desert Training Center, California: 2d Lt. D. M. Gilles, 2d Lt. E. E. Ross, 2d Lt. D. H. Corey and 2d Lt. C. F. Crumbley.

2d Lt. W. F. Kaufman transferred to Red River Ordnance Depot, Texas, 2d Lt. W. E. Crow to Ft. Benning, Ga., Capt. D. C. Harris to Baltimore Ordnance Zone, Md. and 1st Lt. L. D. Smith to Mississippi Ordnance Plant, Flora, Miss.

225th Military Police Company

2d Lt. George H. Anderson Reported for duty on January 26.

Thirty-two enlisted men arrived from Camp McCoy, Wis.; on February 11, and 31 on February 16.

Twenty enlisted men on detached service from 304th Ordnance Regiment (Base) arrived Feb. 19.

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From the fighting front this month comes news of two former DM employees:

Word has been received by his parents that Technical Sergeant George M. Shaheen was killed in action in the western European area, January 22, 1943. His body was placed in the American Military cemetery at Brookwood, Surrey, England.

Sergeant Shaheen was a member of the air corps as an aerial engineer and gunner.

A happier story concerns Lt. Orval A. Randerson, formerly of KM. Lt. Randerson served as co-pilot in one of the Army's B-25 bombers which participated in a successful attack on Japanese ack-ack installations on New Guinea.

A group of employees from Department G, DM513M, voluntarily contributed and collected a comfortable sum for the "March of Dimes." The men contributed from ten to fifty cents each, and the final amount turned in was \$20.75, which will provide a good deal of help for some child with infantile paralysis.

Eddie L. Stamm, foreman, DM503, "Shop "G" observed his 25th Wedding Anniversary not so long ago. He and Mrs. Stamm had open house for approximately 100 guests who attended.

Latest departure from the planning room staff is Glenn A. Foote who left for the Army Air Corps. Just about this time of the year Glen is enjoying red hot weather in the state of Texas. Too bad he couldn't ship us a bit of that sunny atmosphere.

Middle Aisle Matter

It was wedding bell time last month when John V. Vana and Amber Erickson marched steps down the old church aisle. Mr. Vana is a machinist in Shop "G."

Diaper Dope

There's a little bit of sunshine in the Riessen home with the coming of the baby boy. Mother and baby are doing fine, but poppa is still tired from pacing the floor.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyd A. Brunk are parents of a girl born in the cold month of January. Boyd, a machinist in DM523, claims that she's a mighty pretty baby with much glamour. Father like daughter, Mr. Boyd.

For the employees of DM513 came an even steven break last month when the stork delivered one girl and one boy. Mr. and Mrs. Dean C. Richardson are the parents of the boy, while Mr. and Mrs. Darrell W. Moore have a new girl in their family.

The army is taking its toll of Artillery Vehicle employees. Among the latest to leave for the armed services are Anson Wilson, Eddie Schmeiss, Max Hoffbauer, Don Hebble, Jerry Huber, Ed Ohland, and Warren Samuelson.

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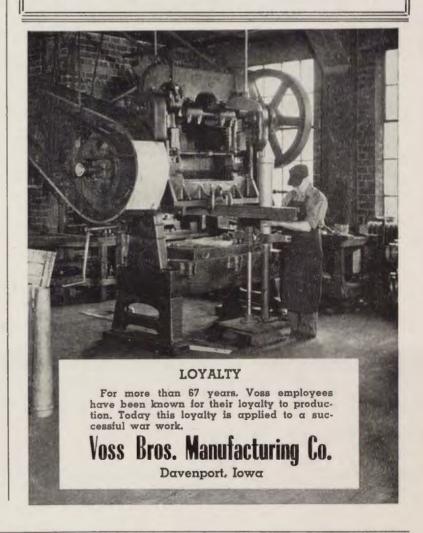
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Our chief story teller and willing helper to everyone, the congenial Ed Alex, has met with a serious eye accident and will have to spend several weeks in the hospital in Iowa City. We are all sending him our best wishes and hopes for a speedy recovery.

Otten Metje of the Current Service department, also property instructor in the Senior Clerk School, has been forced to take an extended leave of absence because of poor health. We sincerely hope Mr. Metje will be back before too long in the best of health and spirits.

Introducing Irene Flowers, who comes all the way from Jackson, Miss. "Mississippi" (and we can't help calling her that on account of the soft drawl she smothers us with, and we love it) is taking over part of the work formerly done by Otten Metje. Prior to coming to the Rock Island Arsenal, Mrs. Flowers, as well as her husband Nelson T. Flowers, worked in the Dixie Ordnance Plant in Monroe, Louisiana. Mr. Flowers is the new staff member of the Senior Clerk School. When "Mississippi" was asked how she liked our climate, she answered, "Ah don't carah paticulahly foh the weathah, ah just freeze all the time."

The inevitable has happened. After all these years, in fact, since the last war, the staff of the Tool and Pattern division in ST has consisted entirely of men. Now with the increasing shortage of men, three girls have been doing that work and turning out a good job, too.

What well known glamour boy goes around complaining about the long sweaters, anklets, and sport shoes the girls wear in our office? We aren't kicking, but are his striped shirts, multi-colored ties, and shaveless mornings business-like?

We all may be friends in the office, but Olga Sadlick is keeping her latest flame in the dark. We could make it public, but a promise is a promise.

Alva Dank has about the most attentive boy friend on record. He showers her with telephone calls from far distant points, presents, telegrams—and this goes on day after day and week after week. We don't blame him a bit.

The honorable Harold "Hoot" Hooten was back for a short visit looking like the latest edition of Esquire.

Marietta, our genial Auditor, walked off with some of the prize money in the Arsenal Bowling tournament. Congratulations!

Our new janitress, Mrs. Baker, has been doing some real spring housecleaning in our office.

Cleo Bowman is the only girl we've ever seen who could wear red every day and get away with it. But then, she could get away with almost anything.

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A class in "Production Illustration," sponsored by the University of Illinois, was begun February 2 in Shop B with about 50 students enrolling.

The new class is being taught by R. F. Pohle, chief of the Base Shop Data section. It is divided into two groups, with about 40 students, men and women in the first, and ten in the second group.

The course will train artists in illustrating mechanical equipment and mechanical processes—similar to the work now being done by the Base Shop Data section.

Mr. Pohle has a background of 25 years as an illustrator and delineator in private industry. He also has collaborated in the writing of many books on this subject.

The Base Shop Data section has grown from two to eighty-eight men and women within the past year. Books devoted to description of most of the major items have been or are being prepared. These books are used in base shops throughout the world.

The "Rover Boys" (men working out of town) of the section, who have recently returned from assignments in the East and Florida, call the middle west the garden spot of the world. One returned worker declared that at a certain army camp in Maryland all at the same time, it rains, snows, the wind blows dust in your face while you're standing knee deep in mud.

Recipe for scrapple, as recorded by a Base Shop investigator, just returned from Pennsylvania where the stuff is eaten:

A good grade of sawdust, horsemeat and the harness thrown in.

STORES AND PROPERTY (Continued)

BALANCE OF STORES

Captain H. W. Gerlach has recently joined the AK, ST, SM organization, and has taken over the Property Account from Lt. Colonel H. S. Thurber. The several departments wish him the most pleasant of associations in the new work, and we are all certain that he will receive our full co-operation. Lt. Colonel Thurber, having assumed the duties left by Colonel Taber, is now busy with a large variety of duties, especially those pertaining to inspection, by Districts and Sub-Districts. Colonel Thurber remains as head of the organization, with Captain Gerlach as his able assistant on the Property end. We feel that the work in SM and ST will procede on schedule.

"All-In-One-Week" birthdays were celebrated recently by Corinne Reinhold, Ed Fairall, Emma Hansen, Inez Holquist, Ruby Urmy and Ruth Cramer. After much speculation and pondering, it is estimated that the total number of years they have accumulated together approaches the staggering sum of 175 years. Now get busy and figure how many years apiece you think each one contributed.

That benevolent looking chap buying ice cream cones for five girls at the cafeteria the other day was not Santa Claus, nor was he Continued on Page 62



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Don't bring any hard candy or crunchy food around Walt Behnke for he's in the midst of a tooth pulling episode that threatens to change his entire facial appearance. Don't leave that new set of molars at home, Walt, for it might be hard to eat your lunch.

Curt Hennings, DM301, rates high in local circles among the bowling populace. However, in the city tournament held at Bowlmor he bowled three series that wouldn't set anyone's house on fire. The highest series of the three was 519.

Felix Kozikowski, now of Shop R, has had many interesting experiences with the men in his department. He enjoys the work immensely and is quite proud of his department.

The addition of the music and loud speaking system in Shop "H" should help to increase the production immensely. Isn't there an old saying about "Music hath charms"?

. . .

Leroy Coon, Shop "G", sends along his pick of the many he has heard in the past few months. We pass it along to you. "Don't put your tongue into high gear until your brains get started."

A. E. Wahle and Mr. Reynolds of the Tool Crib department had that satisfied feeling of being on the leading team in the city bowling tournament for about 24 hours. Then the bubble burst and they found themselves on the third place team. Still mighty nice bowling, fellows.

Have you noticed the drop in Mr. Ahren's waistline? It could be that that one pound loss was from pacing the floor with the baby, Ahrens, or could it?

Henry A. Meier has a mighty nice side line and does a pretty good beezness—selling honey that his Bees produce. If you want to hear an interesting story ask Henry about the habits and characteristics of bees.

Al Frandsen, follow-up man in Shop Q, received an interesting letter from Alex Vance a short time ago. Alex is now in the Army and with his usual sharp wit he writes a mighty interesting letter about the Army. It's a good laugh to catch just a few of the wise cracks he includes.

From our regular contributor, the Kozy Korner Kid, comes this little series of lines:

Where is the Kozy Korner? It's right in the Old U. S. In any number of places— You only need one guess.

A lot of them left the Korners; They're the boys who have gone away To see that the Kozy Korners Are here when your hair turns gray.

They believe that their Kozy Korner Will be here when they come home. So please don't disappoint them, I'm asking in this poem.

When he gets off the train that day, And I hope it will be soon, Have the Kozy Korner waiting— Be it midnight, be it noon!

-The Kozy Korner Kid



Major William G. Cobb, new Rock Island Arsenal personnel officer in charge of industrial relations, and Miss Maxine Seibert.

NEW PERSONNEL OFFICER AT R. I. A.

The Industrial Relations Section at the Rock Island Arsenal has as its objective the promotion of complete and clear understandings between departments and among all personnel. The complexity of a large manufacturing unit makes it imperative to have a clearing house for misunderstandings and determination of policy with reference to relations between men and management.

Industrial relations is a term more recently used but synonymous with personnel management. It may be said that personnel management is the efficient control of man-power. The general functions of such a department in many industries are: selection, employing and assigning personnel; controlling and promoting good working conditions; providing various services to employees; maintaining personnel records; job classification and wage administration. This is a new section at this Arsenal and will require some time to develop to such a scope as just described, but development is under way.

There are times when certain employees, after discussing their problems with their foremen, desire to take the matters up further. In such instances they are free to arrange for an interview with the department for an adjustment of the problem.

One phase of industrial relations in which we are now interested is the Share-the-Ride program. A central clearing place is now being set up on the second floor of the Guard and Fire Station where a card file is kept of all the employees at the Arsenal. The complete file of cards is arranged in three general classifications: (1) those

employees who are drivers and want riders; (2) those who want rides; and (3) those who ride on the busses. In each of these general groups the names are filed alphabetically by zones. After March 20, anyone wishing to obtain a ride or riders should call the Share-the-Ride headquarters in the Fire Station for the names of employees wishing rides or riders.

Zone maps have been located throughout the shops to enable the employees to determine the zone in which they live. Share-the-Ride arrangements should be made within the zone or in the zones through which the driver would normally travel to get to work. Drivers of cars are requested to obtain the full number of riders which their cars will hold. This is a patriotic duty in the conservation of rubber.

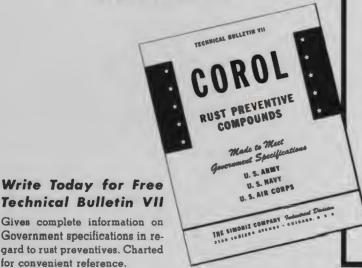
Since the Arsenal is employing several thousand women, Mrs. Louisa Waits has been employed as the Matron. She is identified with the Industrial Relations Section and has a desk in the Employment Division. Mrs. Waits is genuinely interested in the health and comfort of the women employees and is willing to discuss their problems with a view to their solution.

The successful prosecution of the War requires that all of the employees at the Rock Island Arsenal cooperate fully and set aside petty feelings with everyone applying himself and herself whole-heartedly to the job at hand.



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1637 S. Ogden Dr. Los Angeles, Calif. Phone: Wyoming 6485 68th & West End Ave. New York, N. Y. Phone: Endicott 2-4977 rated, they are automatically passed to the next section which is supervised by Marian Krebs where registers are established from the applications which are assigned eligible ratings. Another chore required of this section is the submission of confidential inquiries to persons whom applicants have designated as references.

To ascertain the magnitude of this latter operation, one can visualize the multitudinous inquiries (approximately six for each application) when thousands of applications are received annually. Too, a careful review of the references received and rechecks made in many cases are tasks which must be performed with unusual care. Marie Peterson also has charge of the machine room where Mildred Glass, Paul Cato, William Geertz and Charles Arnesen, Jr., assist in mimeographing and dittoing examination announcements, mailing of same and opening all confidential vouchers returned to the office.

The Certification section which maintains lists of eligibles from which certificates are issued to the Employment section, is supervised by Katherine Rinder. Transfers from other establishments to the Arsenal and reinstatements are also handled in this section.

Last, but not least, in the Civil Service group is O. W. Barnhart, who has been assigned to duty at the Rock Island Arsenal by the Seventh U. S. Civil Service Regional Office and stationed with the Local Board in order to facilitate the immediate attention and final approval of certain civil service matters which formerly were handled by correspondence between the Arsenal and the Civil Service Office at Chicago. He also recruits employees not only for Rock Island Arsenal, but also for other Government establishments in this area.

Incidentally, J. V. Swanson, Director of the Seventh U. S. Civil Service Region, Chicago, Illinois, was a member of the Arsenal Civil Service Board until his recent retirement from the service. He completed 35 years service on September 30, 1942, and on that day was a guest of Brigadier General Norman F. Ramsey at the Arsenal luncheon honoring Major General Campbell prior to the presentation of the "E" pennant to Rock Island Arsenal. Following the luncheon, he was further honored by being a platform guest for the award program.

On February 20, 1943, a testimonial dinner was held in Chicago which was attended by members of the Chicago Regional Office and a number of officers and local board secretaries who had served with Mr. Swanson through the years. Many telegrams and letters of congratulations on his retirement, as well as expressions of regret that he would no longer be a member of the office were received and read. As a token of the esteem in which Mr. Swanson was held, he was presented with a set of Encyclopedia Britannica.

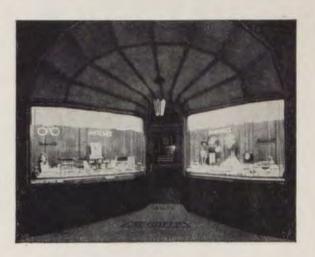
The following are members of the Arsenal Civil Service Board: Colonel C. A. Waldmann, Officer in Charge of Manufacturing, Chairman; Miss E. H. Clair, Secretary; B. H. Pohlmann, of Artillery Vehicle section, Marguerita Bardsley, Doris Cox, Angela Daly, Frances Fenton, Marian Krebs, Wilma Lawler, Marie Peterson, Virginia Pease, Miriam Phillips, Marion Redshaw, Katherine Rinder, Jane Seymour, Margaret Theleman and Jeanice Wood.

In 1939, at the outbreak of war in Europe, the Employment Division consisted of 16 employees and occupied a small area on the second floor of the Administration Building, Shop R. However, due to the increase in production and the added personnel, it was necessary to locate various divisions in larger quarters. The Employment Division was then moved to the first floor of Shop R and occupied half the office floor space. On May 28, 1942, the Division was again moved, this time to the new Administration Building where it occupies the first floor of the north wing. The

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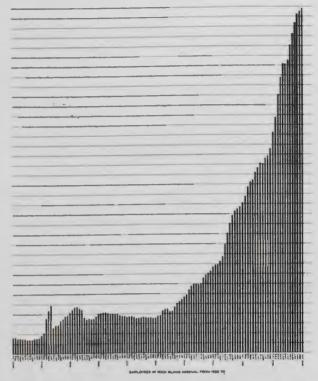
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EMPLOYMENT (Continued)

accompanying chart shows the increases and decreases in employment from January, 1933, to February, 1943. The employment figure at the Arsenal is 2100 per cent greater at the end of the ten-year period.



During August, 1940, as a precautionary measure, the main thoroughfare of the Arsenal, which had formerly served the general public as a direct route from Davenport, Iowa, to Moline, Illinois, was closed except to Arsenal employees and persons on official business. As a result, a sub-employment office was established at the Main Gate with Margaret Theleman now in charge, to which all applicants are referred. Here they are furnished information regarding employment and are permitted to file applications. Those persons who are to be interviewed or employed are, upon presentation of the proper authority, allowed to proceed to the employment office in the new Administration Building.

The Civil Service section of the Employment Division has been fairly well covered showing how registers are established from which appointments are made. When requisitions are prepared by the shops, storehouses, offices, etc., they must go through the necessary channels for signature. Then when received in the Employment Division, that section requests a certificate of eligibles from the Civil Service section from which to make appointments. The names on the registers are thoroughly checked with certain files in the office and then the process of contacting the eligibles follows. Not all eligibles who received eligible ratings are appointed as there are certain restrictions in accordance with civil service rules and regulations which must be taken into consideration. In order to give one a picture of the routine "How an eligible is hired," we will start with the eligible at the sub-employment office where he is required to complete certain employment forms.

Second stop—the information desk in the new Administration Building, with Verva Hainer in charge, who starts all applicants off on the right foot by directing them to the proper sections. She sends eligibles being hired for educational positions such as draftsmen, chemists, stenographers and clerks to Marion Redshaw's section, while men and women for trades positions (machinists, machine operators, laborers, etc.) are referred to Dorothy Wald's section for interview by either Edward Grassley or Harris Cole.

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EMPLOYMENT (Continued)

The applicant, after successfully passing the interview, is sent to the medical division for physical examination, after which he is ready to have his hiring papers completed, which papers consist of personal history forms. The applicant is referred to Paul Cato or Dorothy Simmermaker for fingerprinting as such prints are required for permanent record in Washington, D. C., and then is photographed for identification purposes.

It was formerly the practice of the Employment Division to furnish each new employee with a copy of the Shop and Fire Regulations. However, during the past six months, the Employment Division has made it a point to not only give the new employees a copy of these rules, but also read the rules to these newly hired employees and then give an oral examination on same. The monthly graphs as completed by the Safety Section show this to be a step in the right direction as the number of shop injuries have been considerably reduced which not only is an added protection to the employee but a saving of man-hours to the defense program in the present emergency.

When an employee has had these rules read to him, if he is interested in securing a place to live, he is directed to the Housing section in the Employment Division which is maintained for Arsenal employees and presided over by Marie Gajkowski, who has furnished lists of houses, apartments, or rooms for rent to approximately 30% of the persons reporting from out of town for employment. The homes listed cover the territory, Rock Island, Moline, East Moline, Silvis and Milan, Illinois, Davenport and Bettendorf, Iowa, and have until recently been received through cooperation with the local Homes Registration offices as well as direct contact with persons having available living quarters. Another division of the Employment Office is the Lost and Found section which is handled by Marjorie Davis. This section has given the Employment Division increased faith in human nature due to the fact that numerous valuable articles are turned in, including large sums of money—each sum, as a rule, not being claimed by more than one person.

With the matter of the employment of an eligible fairly well covered, we will move on to the Administration section where Miss Clair has as her first assistant, Ruth Rintelmann, and Reba Cowan and Elizabeth Jackson as second and third assistants. Here you will find twenty-two employees rushing to "get John Jones suspended before quitting time, in accordance with instructions from various headquarters," "distributing travel orders to the Senior Clerks before noon," "putting through promotions received today effective next Saturday" and "forwarding the various civilian personnel reports on time." You'll find Arlene Piper "on her toes" answering city phone calls, noting absentee reports and dating and distributing incoming mail, Lois Kelling busily clearing telegrams and Erna Peterson, one of Miss Clair's secretaries, calmly indexing Ordnance Office bulletins and memoranda in between transcriptions of dictation. This section also serves as a clearing house for all correspondence arriving in or leaving the office.

Miss Moorhead and her staff of seven girls know all the answers. They handle inquiries regarding the service records of former employees, credit inquiries and letters regarding employment. It is their duty to carefully consider all employment letters and furnish applicants with the necessary Civil Service forms for completion. Upon the shoulders of Esther Schmidt rests the responsibility of checking the finished work of the girls before such letters are forwarded for signature. Also, in this section, Irene McCoy reports injuries incurred in the line of duty at this Arsenal and submits compensation claims to the U.S. Employees' Compensation Commission and maintains records pertaining to such injuries.

Those persons eligible for retirement are referred by department heads to the Employment Division where Louise Griffith is in charge of preparing such claims for submission to the Ordnance Office.

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EMPLOYMENT (Continued)

Also, Miss Griffith is very much in demand as she maintains the supplies for the entire division.

A general hubbub of activity can be found in the Report of Changes section which is under the supervision of Irene Beck. The thirteen girls in the section are kept busy preparing reports required by the Ordnance Office and the U. S. Civil Service Commission in connection with appointments, promotions and separations.

As the clerks in the Employment Division view the large number of office and shop personnel being hired, they realize that they, too, have an active part in the army of ordnance workers "behind the man behind the gun."

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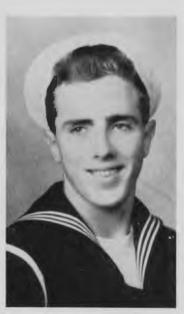
EMPLOYMENT DIVISION

Former Employment Boys in Service



Julius E. Rettke, Jr.

Russell A. Till, Davenport, Iowa, was formerly employed at R.I.A. as assistant messenger. He received his basic training in the Hospital Corps at the Great Lakes Naval Training Station. On December 7, 1942 he went on board ship and has been in active service ever since. For the past three months he has been engaged in hospital work in the south Pacific.



Julius E. Rettke, Jr., formerly of Agenta, Illinois, was employed at the Rock Island Arsenal on May 5, 1941 as a

messenger. He resigned on Octo-

ber 3, 1942 to enlist in the U.S.

Navy. He received his basic training at the Great Lakes

Naval Training Station, Great

Lakes, Illinois. After his "boot"

training he was sent to the University of Wisconsin, Madison,

Wisconsin where he is still sta-

tioned. He is receiving special

training in radio work.

Russell A. Till

Jane Seymour recently had a tonsilectomy performed and we hope that she will soon return to her work.

For the results of a glorious week with a sergeant home on leave take a look at Lorraine Van Hoorebeck's picture with the Civil Service section. She is also the lucky recipient of yellow roses for Valentine's Day.

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Arlene Piper and Winnie Kale have completed their First Aid course and are now contemplating taking up Nurses' Aide.

The below zero weather found Erna Peterson running around the office in knitted pink knee warmers, showing beneath her skirt, of course, and men's black silk sox over her shoes. In addition to her regular clothing she wore a long sleeve sweater and a jacket.

Doris Domeij walked down the middle aisle on Sunday, January 31. The groom is a medical student in Chicago and the couple will reside in that city.

We were happy to learn that Esther Hines, a former member of this department, and Bob Hines, formerly of SI, recently became the proud parents of a son, John Ronald.

Lil Baele has a heart as big as a bucket. She picked up four St. Ambrose students in her Model A coupe. After a little razzing she tried to back out by saying she thought there were only two on the corner. How men do multiply these days.

. . .

Irene Beck's section enjoyed a Valentine bowling party on Friday, February 12. After much excitement at the bowling alley, the group had dinner at the Mississippi Grill in Davenport. At least there could be no argument as to which was the best team as the

score was tied. Lil Baele had high score of 157 and I won't tell who had the low score, but you might ask one of the beginning bowlers.

The other day, all was quiet (?) in the Employment Division, when suddenly a flash bulb exploded. Seconds later, a loud squeal sounded throughout the office. What's the matter, Terry, delayed reaction or just the sudden realization that you might have been in the picture?

Marian Redshaw's section took a knock-out picture for they broke the bulb during the flash photo.

Our swimming champ, Margee Adkins, no longer has to pay admission at the Lend-a-Hand for swimming privileges. Since her boyfriend left for the Army, she paddles around in her own tears.

. . .

The "Life of Riley"—No, "Schmidt." Esther Schmidt lolling around her apartment on a Sunday with a "good" book and a box of Fanny Mae's.

Did you know there is a mystery in Employment Office. Some pointed comic valentines were received, and the super-sleuths are on the scent. They might find the prankster more quickly if they would hide those clubs they've been carrying.

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Latest reports on the Illinois Women's State Bowling Tournament indicate that the Oberg Cleaners' team, comprised of Marge Tanck, Nadine Pierson, Elizabeth Jackson, Zelda Crow and Louise Griffith, is now in the first place in the Junior division, Congratulations, girls.

Among the recent items in the society columns of local newspapers appeared the announcement of the engagement and approaching marriage of Louise Griffith of this department. The lucky man is Richard Hueser of Davenport.

Quite a novel postnuptial party was held recently. It was planned as a surprise on Elizabeth Jackson, recent bride. However, Liz pulled the surprise and caught the flu. Therefore, the party was held minus the honored guest. Oh, well, something new all the time. We miss you from the office, Liz, and hope you soon recover from your illness.

Margaret Petrovich has returned to duty after being confined in Moline Public Hospital following an automobile accident. Glad you are back again, Margy.

Eleanor Dale was surprised to find on her desk a square package tastefully decorated with red satin bow and adhesive tape the morning of her birthday. Examination proved its contents to be a luscious chawklit cake, to which all members of her section were treated. The sixteen candles were omitted.

It was a happy family reunion for Emma Settles when her sailor brother arrived home in Macomb to spend a few days of his furlough.

> —Angela Daly Mary Alice Noppe

TIME AND COST DIVISION

Time division welcomes First Lieutenant James M. Mitchelle, who recently reported for duty at the R.I.A. Lieutenant Mitchelle is war bond and certifying officer.

When you're just about sure that Miss Whosit is the curly-haired blonde with the big blue eyes, and that Miss Whatsit is that little girl who sits next to Miss Whosit—Bingo—some of them up and leave, and then you have to start matching new names with new faces again.

Remember Agnes Heintze who resigned a few weeks ago to devote all her time to her home—and Ida Smith who is doing likewise?

Also some of the older employees ("older" meaning merely the length of time employed) have left us. There's Lela Lovett, who has joined her soldier husband, William Lovett in Corvallis, Oregon; Lillian Gilpin, who has joined the WAAC's in Des Moines, Iowa, and Florence Forrester, who has departed with her mother for San Antonio, Texas.

We're also minus two in the male division. Everette McKenzie left January 5, for Nashville, Tennessee, to join the Army Air Corps, and smiling Johnny Haner left February 5, for Scott Field, East St. Louis.

It is interesting to note that Eleanore Wineland and her son, David, left Pearl Harbor just four days before the Japanese attack. Her husband, Samuel Wineland, who was assigned there as a machinist, recently passed away.

When asking Beverly Herbert if she went to Margie Kennedy Maloney's wedding, she answered yes, except that she went at the Continued on Next Page and the same

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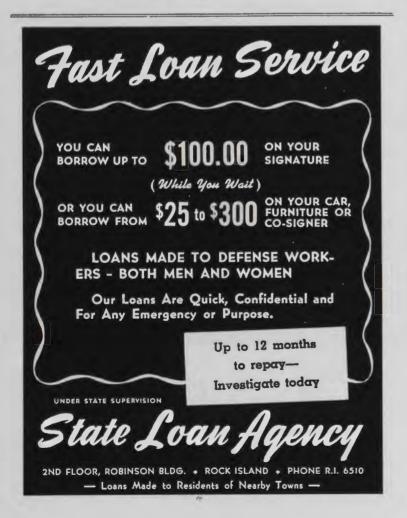


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TIME AND COST (Continued)

wrong hour and found herself on the steps of the wrong church. Anyway, she got to the wedding breakfast okedoke.

Mildred Gnier is also wearing a diamond. Her fiance is Arnold Bruggeman of the U. S. Naval Air Station, Corpus Christi, Texas.

Louise Boza d is wearing a very unusual and p etty diamond from Larry Perrin, Aledo, Illinois. Louise says she thinks wedding bells will ring this June.

Pardon us, Elvira, but you did look funny with both your cheeks puffed out—mumps is what they call it, isn't it?

Do you know what happens to be Erma Severson's favorite candy bar? It's a "Mars," 'cause that's her husband's name.

One morning when Cleone Simmons p epared her husband's lunch (a night shift wo.ker), she decided to give him a hard-boiled egg. Imagine his expression when he took it out and read the inscription "Hello, Honey" on it! Should have been a soft-boiled egg, Cleone.

-Theresa Weigand

MAIL AND RECORD DIVISION

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This Section is placed in such a location, You might easily take it for Grand Central station, Yet, "No tourists allowed" . . . the latest notation— Blame it on Mail and Records . . .

Come in and quickly demand a letter, You've forgotten the subject—so much the better, It's probably in your desk 'neath a pile of litter! Blame it on Mail and Records...

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Forget an inclosure, a stamp or a list in detail, Then stamp, and rant till they quake and turn pale "Since when did you start eating the mail?" Blame it on Mail and Records...

This poor little Section is wearing away, Do you know what'll happen some unfortunate day? A north wind will come by and just blow them away! AND THEY'LL BLAME IT ON MAIL AND RECORDS!

The telephone-voice twins answering the phone in the teletype section, namely Lois Johnson and Elaine Samuelson, are having trouble convincing people who they are over the phone. Seems they sound TOO much alike.

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MAIL AND RECORD (Continued)

Joyce Hebling was on the sick list with an attack of mumps for three weeks, followed by "Trudy" Siegmund with the same thing. 'Nuf's Nuf! This is getting monotonous.

By now, of course, you've heard of the wags who are saying that since all our boys have gone, we should be called "Female and Record" instead of Mail and Record." Those leaving us for the armed forces since the first of the year are:

Richard (Tony) Corsiglia, Air Corps; Tom Freeman, Air Corps; Lew Hodgson, Marines; Jim Carlson, Marines; John Eshelman, Army; Jim McDermott, Army; John Scott, Army; Charles Benton, Army, and Robert Soen, Navy.

Mail and Record is well represented with boys of their caliber in all branches of the service.

Cupid "dood" it again! This time he said it with diamonds and the gals on the receiving end were Mary Crawford and Lovena Clark. The lucky guys are, respectively, Ed Schultz and Don Lerch. Y' know, with spring and stuff in the air, it even makes Ye Olde Ed feel young and sentimental again . . . or maybe I just need my annual sulphur and molasses tonic.

Atten-shun! We have the honor of having a Captain in our department. She is Betty Harland who holds the honorary rank of Captain in the Air Corps. She is connected with the recruiting service and has a uniform 'n everything. Her desk is in the Moline city hall where she spends evenings explaining the Air Corps to those interested in enlisting.

Lois Harbridge, the lucky critter, wears a gorgeous corsage every once in a while. Her fiancee who is in the Army, is stationed in Alaska, and just so Lois doesn't forget him, wires her flowers to remind her of him, Smart feller, we think.

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Mail and Record boasts of six wives whose husbands are with the armed forces. Three cheers for these gals behind the men behind the guns! They are Jett Daley, Grace Mills, Margaret Siebernaller, Sylvia Boyle, Doralee Sanford, and Betty Harland.

The following is from a letter Sylvia received from her husband in the navy—"somewhere in the Pacific"—and explains the situation very well:

"Can't write a thing, The censor's to blame, Just say that I'm well, And sign my name. Can't tell where we sail from Can't mention the date And can't even number The meals that I ate. Can't say where we're going Don't know where we'll land Couldn't inform you If met by a band. Can't mention weather, Can't say if there's rain All military secrets Must secrets remain. Can't have a flashlight, To guide me at night Can't smoke a cig. Except out of sight. Can't keep a diary For such is a sin. Can't keep the envelopes Your letters come in. Can't say for sure, folks Just what I can write So, I'll call this a letter And close with 'Goodnight.' -John."

Futures planned while you wait! Jane Langdon, a newcomer in our midst, is kept busy reading palms during the lunch hour and is very obliging. Will predict any kind of a future you like. The line forms to the right.

"NOW IS THE TIME FOR ALL GOOD MEN TO COME TO THE AID OF THEIR COUNTRY."

Is there anyone who hasn't heard this familiar phrase over and over again? They use this as a practice sentence, our typewriting teacher told us, because it makes every finger work. This often-repeated sentence can be studied carefully at a time like this, and every finger should work.

PROCUREMENT DIVISION

Three more of our popular young men in the Follow-Up section have left to do their bit for Uncle Sam. James Walker, better known as Jim, left January 28th for Jefferson Barracks. Jim was inducted into the Army Air Corps some time last fall, and had been anxiously looking forward to his call. Numerous letters and new reports have been received from him, all of which glow with enthusiasm for the Air Corps. Further authoritative reports on Jim may be obtained from Darlene Bjorklund.

Seventy-two AP employees honored Bob Healy, Dan Whalen, and Jim Walker at a chicken dinner at Fairview Inn before the boys left for their respective induction centers. Clarence Wagner lived up to his reputation as a smooth master-of-ceremonies by his appropriate comments and introductions of the guests of honor and other members of the party.

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PROCUREMENT (Continued)

Dean Chisel, the Priority Expert, left the Arsenal Saturday, February 6th. Having been inducted into the Air Corps last summer, Dean is awaiting his call to active duty. It is rumored that he is catching up on his social obligations, as well as communing with nature on an Iowa farm, before Uncle calls.

Dan Whalen, also from Follow-Up, left Monday, February 1st, for Camp Dodge, Iowa. From latest reports he has been transferred to Miami, Florida. With his uniform and a suntan, he will most likely be known as "Dynamite Dan."

Cy Cottrell, formerly stationed at Aberdeen Proving Ground, has been transferred to Camp Bowie, Texas. Just prior to leaving Aberdeen, Cy took a hurried trip down this way to spend a few days with relatives and friends at Muscatine and Davenport. He dropped in for a few minutes for a chat with many of his old pals in AP. Everyone was so glad to see him that he had to avail himself of Bob McIntosh's super-duper taxi service to catch his train. Bob didn't run out of gas; however, it was reported that Cy had to run for his train.

The morning of January 27th Randolph Drish appeared at his desk with a beaming and somewhat dazed smile and announced that he was the father of a future president, who weighed in at nine pounds. When asked the name of his son and heir, Randy sheepishly admitted that he had forgotten that detail and hurried to the phone to call the hospital. He was finally advised that his son's birth certificate read "Steven Randall Drish."

Hello's and greetings were in order for Wilma Bredt, who was seen at Fairview at the farewell party given on January 28th.

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MILITARY POLICE (Continued from page 33)

The Original Bachelor Gets Married



Members of the 225th M. P. Co., Rock Island Arsenal, honored the recent wedding of 1st Sgt. Leroy R. Cummins with a special wedding cake. The cake was made by Cpl. Schiml under the supervision of Staff Sgt. Zeman.

Shown in the picture are (left to right) Sgt. Purdue, Medical Detachment, 1st Sgt. Leroy R. Cummins, 225th M. P. Co., Staff Sgt. Brayman, 225th M. P. Co. and Sgt. Harland, Medical Detachment. Sgt. Cummins was married January 31 to a well-known Rock Island young lady. He has over 25 years Army Service.

(Editor's Note: The sad faces don't seem to offset the groom's

-Cpl. James M. Schade

PROCUREMENT (Continued)

Wilma, formerly an employee of the Advertising section, was visiting the Tri-Cities with her husband. They will remain here until he is transferred to other parts of the U.S.A. to complete his training in the Air Corps.

Ever since St. Valentine's Day a certain young miss in the Advertising section has been singing "Send Me One Dozen Roses." Could it be that ENSIGN in Pensacola, Louise?

Mavis McQuillen, formerly in the Follow-Up section, believes in doing things in a hurry. She casually announced one morning that she would not be with us much longer, as she was leaving the fore part of February to be married to Lt. Jack Cline. The wedding took place at the Chapel of the Smyrna Air Base, Smyrna, Tennessee, just outside the city of Nashville, Sunday, February 7th. She enjoyed all the fanfare of a military wedding, including the guard of honor composed of student pilots in the same squadron as Lt. Cline. Ruby Chisel, also of Purchase section, accompanied Mavis to Nashville, and acted as Maid of Honor. Ruby reported that the wedding was all that every girl dreams about. The Purchase section honored Mavis at a dinner party on January 26th, at which time they presented her with some pieces of sterling.

Eula Lovett of the Voucher section is again "among those present" after tangling with the highway one icy morning a few weeks ago. Eula drives 114 miles back and forth to work each day, and has probably had more than one narrow escape, since she seems to brave any kind of weather in an effort to get here.

Another Follow-Up girl trekked her way to the altar. Sena Kjar was married to Private John Keheler on Saturday, February 6th, in the First Methodist Church in Rock Island. Sena is continuing

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with her work here at the Arsenal while her husband is located in the Air Corps School at Chicago. A dinner party was given for Sena at the Open Door in Davenport, where she was presented with some lovely rock crystal goblets and sherbets.

Joe Alles, of the Specifications section, was called to service the first week in February. Everyone misses Joe's quiet humor.

Bobby Yuhas has deserted his desk in the Reception Room to join the Follow-Up section. No doubt our visitors will miss Bobby's inimical welcome; however, Chuck Colbert is doing a good job in his place.

CENTRAL PLANNING (Continued from page 30)

that Jeanne Wehr of the Medical Department was the reason. Tis hoped the affair lasts until this goes to press.

Dorothy Ossian has been very proudly displaying letters, a valentine and a beautiful gift, all received from Hawaii. Don't get us wrong: "Morry" in Ophiem is still A1 in her heart, but the boy in Hawaii is her brother.

Two eligible males of the Follow-up section have been frequently seen trespassing on the hunting grounds in AP, particularly during the lunch hour. Aren't you overlooking some good bets on our floor, fellas?

They only heard that Hilda Zimmerman received one dozen roses and a box of Martha Washingtons from Don as valentines. Hints didn't bring the girls even one little piece of candy.

On Fred Novekoff's birthday, the gang brought birthday cards and a cake, much to Fred's surprise, and an enjoyable little noonhour party was held. As a present, he was given a broken-down fountain pen—but then you know it isn't the gift but the spirit behind it that counts.

Lessons given on how not to bowl, every Friday night at the Fort Alleys. Special instructions given on how to properly throw a gutter ball. Instructresses: Lenore Anderson, Jeanne Galvin, Shirley Greenwood, Non Campbell and Gerry Pierce. (Don't get mad, girls, I'm only kidding.)

Anyone wishing a "pen pal" from the Army, Navy or the Marines, just see Dorothy Timmons. She writes to five soldiers, two sailors and one marine, and to click with this squad, her letters must be interesting.

Can you imagine these things in the Follow-up section?
Emil Guldenzopf without his cigar?
Bob Rinehold without his pipe?
Jeanne Early without her requisitions?
Hilda Zimmerman without her Don?
Bill Wendell without his daily snacks?

John Schmalshof, Ralph Aten, Roy Baker, and Fred Novekoff without worried expressions around report time?

Aden Sempsrott not worrying about the temperature of the north wing?

Your reporter was recently exposed to a member of the intelligentsia in the person of George Wickstrom, Town Crier columnist of the Rock Island Argus. George was working on a special assignment on our floor for a couple of weeks, and I fell within his sphere of influence in the line of duty. I watched him work, parted my hair like his, even got myself a golden burl briar pipe and a half pound of aromatic tobacco, but my column still don't sound like his. It must be me!



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DRAFTING (Continued from page 32)

We are sorry to hear that Alpha Mattfield's husband has been reported "missing in action." We all join her in hoping for the best.

Darleen Anne has joined the family of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley W. Swipp. She made her debut at Mercy hospital on January 23, 1943. The father recovered nicely and was back to work in three days (he also had a cold) only to receive a set-back in the guise of a giant cigar presented by fellow workers.

Another increase was in the ranks of the George H. Hinrichsen where Wayne John (7 lb. 10 oz.) made his appearance at the St. Luke's Hospital on January 14, just missing their other child's birthday by six hours.

Who were the fellows in the basement men's room when the boss came in? "Just waiting" must not be the right answer.

William Watson was called out of town by the death of his aunt.

There have been a number of separations from service recently. Blue Print Foreman, Oscar Porter, lost three of his boys to the services: Edward C. Cridge and Glenn W. Richter were inducted into the U. S. Army and John G. Hansen, Jr., enlisted in the Navy. Oliver S. Dakan resigned to return to his former job with Deere and Co.; Ruth E. Drumm resigned on account of illness; Rose H. Magin and Beverlie I. Wilson also on account of ill health; and Lillian G. Smithe to assume added responsibilities in her home. Henry A. Doran has returned to Chicago, and Barbara H. Seward has gone to the west coast. Mrs. Hattie Erzinger resigned in order to be with her mother who is ill at her North Dakota home. Evalee Boughan will be missed in the Plant Engineer's office which she left February 11th to accept a job in Davenport.

Speaking of separations, Mabel Richey was separated from her appendix December 29. She returned to work only to be appropriately welcomed by her neighbors. The excitement was a little too much, but she was back to stay in a couple more days.

Mrs. Elizabeth Kittler's husband also underwent an appendectomy at Decorah, Iowa. He was later transferred to Mayo Brothers to recover from tape burns. Ask her how it seems to be snowbound in a hospital.

Marguerite DeWick returned to work February 13 after a one month leave.

Eleanor Simmons of AZ is visiting her husband in Michigan. Mary Thorngren is waiting for a chance to see her Marine. He was transferred to Philadelphia. Dorothy Foster visited her army boy-friend, who is stationed at Camp Crowder, Missouri; and Juanita Webb went to Texas for a visit with her husband.

Two new sparkling (very much) diamonds: Mary Jane Remier received one from Jerry Blaine of the U. S. Air Corps; the other was received by Rosalie Greenwood from John Randolph.

Margaret Ploog (files) took the next final step. She now answers to the name of Mrs. William Gillespie. Congrats!

Victor Rimsha left for Chicago February 20th, and Al Anderson has taken over the job of left-bower and correspondent for Ed Olson.

Wm. P. Stevenson of AD is a cartoonist in his own right. He formerly did a weekly for the *Peoria Star*, but it's "no politics" while on Civil Service.

A newcomer to the fourth floor is the Field Service Office which moved here from Washington, D. C.



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FIELD SERVICE (Continued from page 34)

Major Fairman B. Lee, Personnel, Plans and Training Officer, is in charge of all schools in the Field Service Depot. He has been stationed here since August, 1942, having been transferred from the Seattle sub-office of the San Francisco Ordnance district where he was officer in charge for one year. The previous eleven months he was on active duty as state advisor on occupational deferment for selective service for the state of Washington. Major Lee had been a member of the Ordnance Reserve, industrial division, since receiving his original commission.

Included in the schools is the officers' training class starting each month and made up of about ten officers, who are given a sixty-days course in general depot work, which will prepare them for assignment to the field. The first two weeks are devoted to intensive training in storekeeping methods with the balance of the period spent in Field Service groups where each man has actual contact with all pertinent duties.

Incidentally, Lt. Hamilton Van Buren Fish of the February-March class is the envy of all his friends since receiving ten letters in one day.

The Junior Checkers' school is composed of about twenty women who are given a thirty-days course in Field Service procedure at the conclusion of which they are subject to assignment to any depot. These women take a keen interest in a job which was once considered to belong to the men and are doing a very fine job.

The Senior Checkers' school is made up of approximately twenty-five men who are given a two-weeks intensive training in store-keeping methods preparatory to assignment to other depots. All members of the fourth class were sent to Raritan Arsenal upon completion of their training and the fifth class which graduated February 15 has already been placed. There is a very great need for this type of trained worker and Major Lee's greatest problem is in meeting all demands.

There is also a school of instruction for those already employed in Field Service, the classes alternating between office and warehouse employees. These classes are conducted three hours each day for four days and include a trip through the V buildings, warehouse 299, and W1. They have proved interesting and well worth while in that they have given the employee a picture of the actual procedure followed in handling shipments and in checking material from outside sources. It is planned to give each employee an opportunity to attend this school.

The instructors in the schools are Harry D. Lawless, E. B. Lodge, Ben J. Gerwe, Henry D. McNamara, and Lucille Beltz, all of whom were recruited from the Field Service Depot.

Tom Hancock does a very fine job of directing the lunch hour crowds at W1's cafeteria. Tom's droll remarks added to the menu give us a good laugh and undoubtedly aid digestion.

Incidentally, W1's cafeteria has many a satisfied customer these days. The food is excellent and since salads have been added to the menu, we can't seem to find anything to complain about.

. . .

Helen Walker of the Catalogue section has enlisted in the WAACs, and is awaiting notification to report to Des Moines.

Echoes from 299

Hello, everyone! This is the first time that we have been in THE RECORD, and we wish to let you know that we are in this as whole-heartedly as the rest of you.

June Arthur says it is a little warmer in sunny California than down here in 299.

Ruth Ann Blohm had a nice trip down to Tennessee to see her

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INSPECTION (Continued from page 35)

Word was received from Lois Reynolds and Ida Mae Vesole, who both left our department for other localities. Lois landed in Chicago, while Ida Mae joined her ensign husband in Boston. Both are doing nicely, and want to greet all their old friends on the Island.

Along with all our boys leaving, we now have one of our girls awaiting her call to duty also. She is Agnes Spratt of Davenport, Iowa, who works in Shop H-Small Arms, and she has recently joined the WAVES. Congratulations, Agnes—you're the first!

Anyone interested in joining the "Grandpaw Club"? All you haft' to be is what the name implies—and be able to swap stories about the grandchillun'. Two staunch members include Jack McGinley and Charlie Anderson.

One of our newer girls in the department is Doris Kelley, who rides back and forth to Muscatine every day. That's really being patriotic during this cold weather.

Eleanor Howe has really been hittin' the road these days between LaPorte, Indiana, to see her parents and Galesburg, Illinois, to visit her brother. Says Eleanor, "They're quickie trips, but fun!" Eleanor, by the way, also has a brother in North Africa.

Betty Johnson is much more cheerful lately. Seems as though her husband Guy was just home on his first furlough from Ft. Brady, Michigan, looking like the Army agrees with him. Here's for longer furloughs more often, eh, Betty?

One of our former members, and more recently of the Apprentice School, Dick Wunderlich, has left for Northwestern university, Evanston, Ill., where he will start his training in the Naval Air Corps. His departing hit us doubly hard since he not only is the boss' son, but is our own Kay Beers' fiance. We shouldn't have any trouble keeping up on his progress, should we?

Mrs. Ruth Roller had a little get-together for all AK-Gage Lab. girls and a good time was had by all. This should be done more often.

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AMERICAN ARMS (Continued from page 13)

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LABORATORY (Continued from page 36)

commissioned an ensign November 14, 1941 and has since been promoted to Lieutenant (jg). He was first assigned to Hawaii and later transferred to the Pacific area near the Solomon Islands.

The question of the month in the Laboratory is, "Why is Tom Rice known as 'Peeping Tom'?"

It seems as though the little blond in the Oil Lab. and Royce Davis in the Grease Lab. are hitting it off rather nicely. He offered to let her hold his hand if she would journey to the oil house with him. Well, how long has this been going on?

Several Chemical Laboratory employees have expressed a desire to take over the work in the Paint Laboratory, since the resignation of J. L. Donahoe. Bill Hartman is especially anxious for a "transfer" even at a \$500 monthly salary cut, in order to get the experience

Have you ever heard of Gilbert and Sullivan, comedians; some team, but how about Gilbert and Dorsett, the "skaters"?

The General Laboratory has gradually been acquiring the most modern apparatus for analyses. Equipment now includes a polarograph, spectrophotometer, reflectometer, hydrogen-ion meter, glossmeter and Orsat gas apparatus. The Chemical Laboratory is especially qualified for brass, bronze and steel analysis, bacterial and chemical water analysis, analysis of paint products, and testing of oxide, phosphate and electroplated finishes on metal. The Laboratory welcomes correspondence relative to analysis of all industrial products pertaining to the war effort.

Jim Bolton and Howard Swanson have recently returned from taking an X-Ray Diffraction and Radiographic course at the University of Illinois.

Everyone in and around the Physical Laboratory misses the friendly smiles of Bob (Red) Booth who left here to be inducted into the armed forces January 28. We know his happy personality will take him far in his new duties and all wish him God-speed.

Vic Vieths is still sporting the mustache mentioned in this column previously, but will be rid of it soon (he hopes). The reason for the delay? Well, he wants a photograph of it and has been unable to get film for his camera.

Another name has been added to the growing list of feminine laboratory employees. It is Vi Ramsdale who is working in the X-Ray Lab. in Shop Q.

What's happened to Tom Rice? The other day he was glimpsed not only wearing an apron but working quite intently.

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The reason the Oil Lab. wasn't heard from previously is that they have been too busy. They have a very good habit, they let the quality and quantity of their work speak for itself.

The Oil Lab. is represented by Bob Young, Zoedia Rardin and Elsie Parr. The work consists of the testing of all types of oils, lubricating, preserving, recoil, etc.

Now, if everyone is happy for this month, next month we may tell them about the Grease Lab.



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STORES AND PROPERTY (Continued from page 41)

paying off a bet. The gals heckled Doug Bradshaw for over a month before they finally wore down his resistance and he "set 'em up."

Overheard in the Follow-Up section: "He was a leader of men and a follower of women."

The latest group of men from SM to don uniforms are William Cullers, Virgil Erickson, Ralph Martens, William Hill, Edwin Washington, and Wilfred Medinger. Good luck, boys.

For weeks we've been trying to get some newsy item on Schulze "Bill" Nafe, but he has an uncanny ability to stay out of the limelight. Of course, we could tell you that he is an authority on the subject of castings, or that he is interested in flying, or even that he shines as a blackface in minstrel shows, but that isn't sensational enough for the RECORD, so we'll just forget the whole thing.

Why did George Young wear those dark glasses to work one day? Did the display of beauty around the office dazzle him so much that he had to wear protectors?

Wives beware: Rumor has it that Juanita Bagley not only sent a valentine to another woman's husband, but added insult to injury by sending it home with Kitty herself. Is this a habit of yours, Juanity, or is it the first offense?

If there should ever be an organization called "We Will Play the Best of Jokes on People for You, Inc.," Lloyd Ziegler would surely be the president of the corporation.

Who said that dates were getting scarce? An SM girl recently was asked by three fellows at a dance for dates but she remained true to her boy friend in the Marines. Sounds as if Mary really hit the jackpot.

If all nurses were as pretty as one whom we are fortunate enough to have in our office, it would be a pleasure to spend some time in the hospital. In case you don't know to whom we are referring, Emma Hansen recently received her cap after completing training as a Volunteer Nurses Aid.

Bob Jager received the nicest possible valentine February 14, when he became the grandfather of a baby girl.

It was a pleasant surprise to see Helen Griffin, an SM Alumni, when she visited here recently. Helen's glad to be back home, in Chicago, but she says she'll always have a soft spot in her heart for the Arsenal and her friends here.

To see a real Casanova, you should watch Dick O'Neill at a dance. Judging by his long line of partners, Dick is plenty good, especially at the rumba!

STEEL ROOM NOTES: Could it be the new girls in the office that makes Tommy Cavanaugh step so sprightly these days? . . . For hire—a cold weather man—any outside work in sub-zero weather—see J. T. Dow . . . The maintenance girl truck drivers seem to be very popular with one Steel Room employee, Frankie Loving. . . Welcome to the new members of our office staff: Helen Kahl and Dorothy Swanson, the new clerks, and Lois Westphal, typist for the AK section. . . The ravages of war are rapidly depleting the ranks of the male in the Steel Room office. We bid adieu to Ronald Call who goes to help those in the lumber yard, and Mr. Cotter who is now typist at V12 office . . . We are glad to hear Paul Cirivello is well on the mend from a recent appendectomy . . . From the looks of Kenny Stroyan's face, the other fellow must be in the hospital. Of course, he says he fell down and skinned it!

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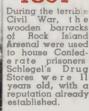
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