

# SHELL REVIEW

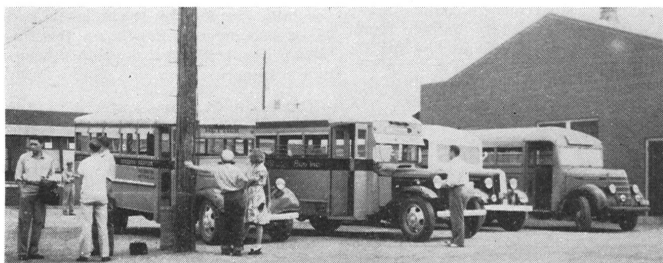
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## Employees Cooperate In Share-The-Ride Program



Some of the many busses making scheduled trips daily to transport Shell workers from their homes as far as 75 miles away.

The area around the visitors' parking lot, as well as that around the cafeteria, has taken on all the aspects of a "Grand Central" bus terminal since an estimated number of 600 employees have heeded the present-day urge to conserve on the nation's rubber supply. Whether an employee was forced to ride a bus because of poor tires, or for the purpose of conserving those tires now on his car, each rider is making a patriotic effort in our country's critical shortage. For every employee changing his transportation to a share-the-ride basis, there can be another vehicle of war placed into our struggle for freedom from the tyranny of our foes.

The vehicles, twenty-three in number, which have been pressed into bus service range from out-dated hearses, trucks resembling the covered wagon days, seven passenger cars stretched to hold eight to nine persons, to streamlined super deluxe busses fit for royalty. These busses are carrying Shell employees from points as far as Waverly, Greenville (43 miles), Pearl (75 miles), Hillsboro (60 miles), and points south. The busses in some instances are owned and operated by Shell employees, and others are operated by commercial carriers. The shift workers from Edwardsville have formed a corporation and through a stock own-

ership plan have purchased a bus which accommodates every shift. At the present time, a similar plan is underway for Alton employees.

Along with this commendable effort for transporting war workers, our own transportation committee, consisting of T. D. Williams, R. L. Autery, J. Gurley, R. A. Randels, A. S. Gillian, and G. F. Craig has been devoting considerable time to the problem and have been zealous in task of studying ways and means to provide riding arrangements for our employees.

Employees having room in their cars for additional passengers, or employees looking for rides should consult the Industrial Relations Department, who will be pleased to make necessary contacts for the pooling of rides to the refinery. Applications for Grade II tires or recaps can also be secured at the Industrial Relations Department office.

## To All Employees:--

*I strongly urge that each of you co-operate in every manner possible in the spirit of the transportation and rubber conservation program. We are facing a shortage of rubber which may eventually affect not only our private lives but industry as a whole, due to the lack of transportation facilities in getting workers to and from work. I am very much pleased with the co-operation many employees are evidencing towards this program in organizing bus routes from their locality and the grouping together of passengers in riding to work. I feel that this can be carried even farther, however, and again urge everyone to co-operate whole-heartedly with the effort to conserve the nation's rubber supply.*

*Re Robert*  
Manager.

## New Plan for Purchase Of War Bonds By Payroll Allotment

The payroll allotment plan for the purchase of War Bonds has now been in effect for approximately 7 months. At present, less than 70 per cent of Wood River Refinery employees are purchasing bonds regularly through this plan. Purchases amount to only 3.6 per cent of the payroll. This record is far below our government's announced goal of 100 per cent participation and 10 per cent of wages allotted for the purchase of bonds.

Government officials are now urging greater participation and a more substantial contribution toward the war effort through the increased purchase of bonds under the payroll allotment plan. Ways and means of increasing the participation of Wood River Refinery employees were discussed at a meeting of the Management and the Metal Trades Committee on September 9, at which time it was agreed to change our policy relative to deductions for bond purchases as follows:

1. Deductions will be made each pay period.
2. The amount to be deducted must be the same for each pay period and must be in even dollars, unless the purchase of one bond per pay period is authorized, in which case the full price of the bond will be deducted.
3. The minimum deduction will be two dollars (\$2.00).
4. Deductions under the new plan will become effective with the pay period ending October 3 for Engineering Field employees and October 10 for Operating employees.

It has been suggested that the week beginning September 13 be designated as War Bond Week here at the plant, during which time employees of each department will be contacted and given an opportunity to fill out a new allotment authorization to conform with the new policy.

## Bowling News

The Shell Bowling Leagues opened the season Friday, September 4, at the Acme Alleys in Alton, Ill., with two 12-team leagues, the Super Shell and the Golden Shell.

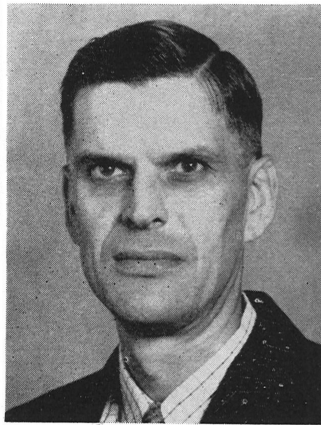
After two weeks of bowling, the Laborers are leading in the Super Shell League with 6 wins and no losses. In the Golden Shell League the Reformers are leading with five games won and one lost. The officers of the league this year are A. T. Smith, President; Charles A. Wilson, Vice President; O. A. Kleinert, Secretary-Treasurer of Super Shell League, and Al Garner, Secretary-Treasurer of Golden Shell League.

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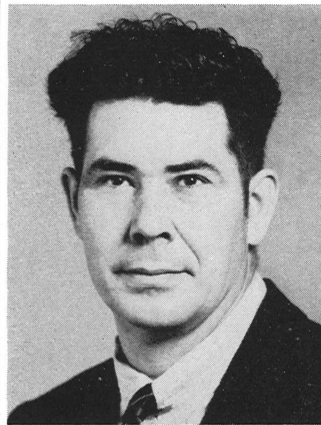
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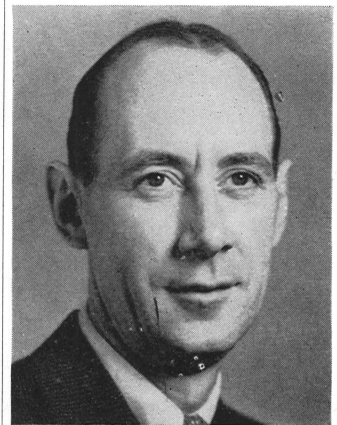
**WOOD RIVER OLD TIMERS**



J. H. Laux of the Cracking Dept.



S. W. Anderson of the Car Dept.



C. J. Lavick of the Toluene Plant.

**Main Office News**

By JUDITH DIETIKER.

Sgt. "Mac" McConathy and the former Miss Dorothy Loelke of Alton were wed Friday evening, August 28. "Mac" who was employed in the Storehouse before leaving for military service is stationed in Meridian, Mississippi. We all wish you lots of luck and happiness, Dot and Mac.

We have just received word that H. D. Chappell, formerly of the Cost Department, was recently graduated at Foster Field, one of the seven flying schools in the Army Air Forces Gulf Coast training center. During the exercises the insignia of Silver Wings was pinned on Lt. Chappell. We are all proud of Laverne who just joined the Air Corps in January of this year.

The Main Office gave another party for Paul Lenhardt, who was transferred to the New York Office. The get-together was held at the White Swan Inn and a large group was present to bid Paul goodbye. One of the main diversions, aside from the dancing and the bar, was the game of chance (dice?) which was held out on the porch in which many of the stronger sex participated.

Reporter's Note: Anyone wishing to contribute an article in this column, please send it to J. Dietiker, Main Office. All contributions will be appreciated. (Come on, gang—let's have some "news" next time.)

Have you seen what the Cost Department recently acquired? Where you used to see Jessie May Campbell sitting, you now see a huge diamond ring. (Oh, yes, if you look real hard you can still find Jessie.) Seriously, though, we all think he's a mighty lucky soldier.

Surely it wasn't because of the hot weather here that made Pearl Mitchell dash so madly to Michigan last week-end. Come on, Pearl, give us the real reason.

Ruth Greenwood says it's really nice in the country down in Virginia, but she didn't say much about the city. Evidently she and the Army don't care much for the city's bright lights. How about it, Ruthie?

You know, I bet the jewelers have made enough money this year from rings they have sold to be given Shell girls that they won't have to work the rest of their lives. Mary Ellen R. went away for a week end, and did you see what she came back with? And just as soon as we get another good looking girl in the Shipping Department—Zoom! Some "he" plants a sapphire on her hand. Don't get us wrong, Eleanor, we think he was a "wise-man."

**T. V. P.**  
E. BERGESCH.

It is rumored that Stinky Davis is in the market for a house trailer. Stinky can't figure out why anyone would ask a person to move just because he tore down a door and broke two or three windows. We can. The man wants to save the roof.

It seems that Frank Huber is taking his exercise early in the morning about 3 a. m. How about it, Frank?

"Don't touch a thing" Bryant is being kept busy these days straightening the boys out.

These stories Sutton has been putting out about requiring skill to play golf must either be wrong or they are going to simplify the game. Crull and Seymour are starting to play.

**Vacuum Plant**

O. J. McNEILLY.

Notes of the "Gang" now on Uncle Sam's payroll:

Quackenbush is in Michigan, Madosh in Louisiana, Lambattus arrived at the New York Fairgrounds months too late, Plank is on the Atlantic and to be specific—Shaffer is on the Pacific. The rest have developed writer's cramp.

Don Canaday has gone with the Navy, and Kingery has enlisted as an Army Air Cadet.

Jake Miller is still talking "warrant officer" and Joe Levora, to prove his physical fitness, made a 5000-mile trip in two weeks on his motorcycle.

Vacations come and go as do fish stories and new Gaugers.

Recently a Vacuum Plant Gauger went in search of "end points," "hand car reports," and a "vapor hydrometer." At the D. & D. Plant the shift foreman was also taken in. (This was the same fellow who some years ago roamed the plant even to the car barns in search of some "sky hooks.")

Reports from Camp Claiborne state that it is hot, dry and dirty, but offers opportunities for a fellow to change his luck. Right, Ted?

**BODINE, BARTON AND MORAN ATTEND NATIONAL FOREMEN'S MEETING**



E. S. BODINE.

This year, "Doc" Barton, from the Engineering Field, "Sunny" Moran, from the Gas Plant, and Gene Bodine from the Cracking Department attended the National Association of Foremen's Convention in Chicago on September 25-26.

Mr. Bodine holds the distinction and honor of being Vice-President of this association and has served in that capacity since 1939. He has been instrumental in organizing many foremen groups throughout the country, and we are all proud to claim him as a Wood River employee.

What's this we hear about having a Martha Carr in the Technological Department? You know, that should come in pretty handy now that this war has caused so many heartaches and need for advice.

Poor Dudley has been looking a bit blue here lately. Dudley, is it the draft or is cupid still haunting you?

**FISHING CLUB PLANNED**

A group of 30 interested employees met in the Refinery Cafeteria Thursday evening, September 24, at 7:30 p. m. for the purpose of organizing an Employees' Anglers' Club. In addition to the above, 20 other employees unable to attend the meeting had asked to be included.

S. A. Martin of the Safety Department was appointed temporary chairman, and C. W. Andrews of the Control Laboratory was appointed temporary secretary.

Following discussions on a number of the problems to be expected in forming a club of this type, dues of \$1.00 per member per year while a temporary body or until such time as found to be insufficient by the members was agreed upon and passed.

The following committees were appointed to function and report their findings at the next meeting of the Club: Rules and By-Laws Committee, C. A. Nevin, H. C. Dolan, Frank Heintz, R. A. Hicks, Taylor Elliott; Committee to Investigate Club Site, George Caudle, J. R. Venable, J. S. (Doc) Cunningham, George Louvier, A. L. Gent, G. W. Critchfield, H. A. Deem; Entertainment Committee for next meeting, Elmer Behme, Harry Emrich, Neal Lemkemeier.

The next meeting of the club will be held in the Refinery Cafeteria at 7:30 p. m. October 15. Any employees interested should contact the above temporary officers and be present at this meeting as the permanent organization will be formed at that time.

**Slop Recovery Drippings**  
"SOOPER SNOOPER" MARTIN.

C. E. Langham is the latest to rate salutes. He enlisted in the Naval Air Corps in July.

Highlights of the party in Langham's honor were the huge platters of golden brown fried chicken prepared by John Hensley, and the machine gun-submarine game. Langham was good with the machine gun, but Cook couldn't be beat. Senn was just getting the pinochle deck warmed up when the playing ended.

E. J. Foehrkolb's first wedding anniversary will be August 1, 1943.

Greetings to O. E. Owen and S. A. Traw. We're glad you're with us.

**Extraction Plant**  
CARTER.

Bailey furnished the fly spray and Rufus sprayed mosquitoes for three 12-8 shifts before he found out that the spray was just plain H2O. It may be they were figuring on drowning them.

Otto Kassak still writes his book letters to the boys at the Extraction Plant and sends quite a few pictures

Omar Erdman has returned to work, having been off three months due to an automobile accident.

Uncle Sam's Army practically wrecked the Extraction Plant bowling team. It looks as though we will have to wait until the boys return before we can have a team.

The R. F. D. mail boxes around the plant are making some of the former farmer boys homesick.

For safe transportation to work see Bailey and Kays Bus Co., Inc. If you ride at night on said bus, please carry a spare light.

**J. G. SPRADLEY RETIRES**



"Jake" Spradley decided to take life easy and so bid farewell to his fellow employees in the Labor Department on August 1. "Jake" will be missed by his fellow workers as his unfailing good humor and amiability have made many friends for him among his fellow workers.

We all wish you the best of luck and happiness, "Jake" in your future life!

**Let's Win This Trophy PERMANENTLY** A. T. SMITH



As you undoubtedly know, the Vice President's Safety Trophy pictured on this page is presented to the employees of the Refinery which has the least frequency of disabling injuries for a six-month period. The six-month periods run from January 1 to June 30, and from July 1 to December 31 of each year. The refinery which first wins the trophy three times gains permanent possession of the trophy.

During the last two six-month periods, the employees of the Wood River Refinery have retained possession of this trophy. If we can win this trophy just one more time it will become ours permanently. However, we have plenty of competition. Norco Refinery also has won this trophy twice and if they can win it again before we do, then it becomes theirs permanently.

By winning three times in a row, it would indicate that not only are the employees of the Wood River Refinery the most safety-minded of the Shell group but also that the Wood River Shell employees are doing their part in this great National War Emergency toward avoiding the loss of skilled workmen and consequent slowing down of production which always follows a disabling injury. Proof of this fact was recently released in a report of the National Safety Council which indicated that enough time had been lost from work due to disabling injuries in the industries of the United States during the year of 1941 to have built 10 battleships, 50 destroyers, 10,000 light tanks, 50,000 fighter planes and 10,000 bomber planes. This loss in production time amounts to 480,000,000 man days.

So let's all think about how to do our job safely and then do it in the safest way possible so that we may win that Safety Trophy and give tangible proof that the employees at the Shell Wood River Refinery are doing their part toward keeping their war production at its peak.

**Warehouse News**  
By V. De WERFF.

Since the last issue of Shell Review lots of changes have taken place in the Warehouse. F. G. Hawk is back as Storekeeper, Miss Burnice Adams has been transferred to the Main Office and Miss Lucille Maurizio of Gillespie is a newcomer to the office. She said to say something nice, so, confidentially, fellows, she IS nice.

Vic Zolder and Ed Nisinger, pronounced (Nice-Nigger), a couple of butchers from down home, are the two new employees for the counter.

Has Louis told any one why he has taken an interest in house work from 6 to 9 every night last week. A certain brunette about 18 was his chief helper and seemed to hold the flashlight just right.

When the boys came by for Mooley, on their way to a St. Louis ball game the other night, it was his wife who met them at the door and said he wasn't home. How come, you happened to be standing just behind that door? Now we KNOW who's boss at home!

Al Clevenger left for the Army last week. He was presented with a farewell gift from the Warehouse and Material Yard force. The next contender at this writing seems to be Walt Myers, who is slated for the Navy.

**Boiler House Gossip**  
L. A. KRAMER.

Mr. Brewer has left the Boiler House and has turned the reporter job over to me. We wish Brewer all the luck on his new venture.

Whitey is back from his vacation. A trip to Post Oaks and repairing the old homestead were the events of the two weeks.

Snow received a very interesting letter from "Red" Irwin, who is at Navy Pier, Chicago.

Yeck is back to work after a siege of illness.

**Cracking Condensate**  
JOHN McCONNELL.

The boys at D-17 would like to know which one of the girls at the Industrial Relations Office answers to the name of "April." How about an introduction?

What assistant head Stillman spends his change days peeling peaches instead of zooming around?

E. Helmkamp, the super fisherman, catches all his fish with a .22 rifle.

Bowling season starts the fourth of September and the Cokers claim that they are really out to beat the Crackers this year. Time alone will tell.

G. E. McCoy decided to quit work the other day around noon. The reason—a big baby girl arrived. Congratulations, "Mac."

**Control Lab.**

The Laboratory now has thirty men in the armed forces. Rathert and Wulfkuehler are known to be abroad and probably several others have departed by now.

The poster in the Anti-Knock Division is getting considerable attention. The work of Ringering, it shows the Anti-Knock Division 100 per cent cooperative in the purchase of War Bonds, with an average of 8 per cent deduction. The 10 per cent goal is anticipated in the near future.

The Inspection Lab is rather quiet with Parker Collins transferred to the Anti-Knock Division, but we understand that Richmond is going to take his place.

Things are a little dull around the Experimental Lab with our old Indian friend Chief Norman gone. The Chief joined the Navy. Good luck to him as well as our other twenty-nine fighters. Some fellows just seem to have what it takes.

People in Millstadt are going to suffer a little in the matter of education. Professor Klotz is going to remain with Shell and let the teaching go. The genial professor demonstrated at the Lab picnic that he is a regular Shell man.

**Topping Row**  
E. S. QUILLEN.

A. D. Brunson and Ruth Albright were married July 8, 1942, at Charlotte, N. C.

C. E. (Bob) Dey and Alva Henna have joined the Navy as Machinist Mates. Bob left on August 4 and Al on August 10.

M. J. Bodum left September 1 for service with the Army.

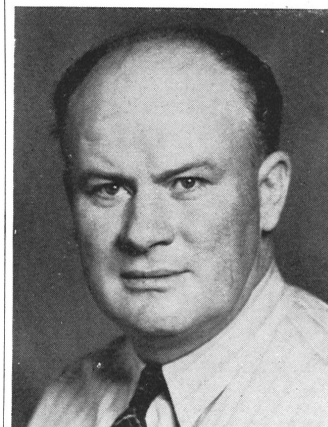
They say that Frances Pullen caught so many fish on his vacation trip that he had to cut a hole in the bottom of his boat to let the excess fish get back into the lake.

Frank Weatherford claims that he blows more money than anyone else in the department. (That's right, he blows the dust off that bank roll and then puts it back in the ole sock.)

Wanted. Riders from Olton on No. 12 schedule. Percy Lauck.

Van says "When I get two fives I hear comments; when I get two fours I hear nothing."

**OLD TIMER**



**J. F. SHAW.**  
Engineering Field Assistant  
Pipefitter Foreman.

## "Spec" Wade Low Medalist in Blind Bogey Tourney

JOE BRIEN.

On Saturday, August 29, forty golfers enjoyed a blind bogey tourney at the Muny Course in Alton. Scores ranged from 74 to a "get your money's worth" 131. Prizes were numerous, disappointments were many as 21 golfers sliced themselves out of a chance at Blind Bogey.

L. Waddelow, I. E. Dauer, and Dick Sutton tied for blind bogey with 73. "Spec" Wade played his usual steady game to win low medal with a 74. Dave Brazel, 1941 Plant Champ, collected three balls for most birdies. "Dark Horse" Bill Leonard tied par on 1, 6, and 9 for the prize in that department. L. Purdy, the boy with the sizzling putter, nosed out Dick Sutton for low putts. W. Seymour won with the most strokes on No. 3 (Wayne says he was killing snakes. Oh, yeah?). Other prize winners were Clyde Searcy and E. Mikeworth.

Scores for the day were used as qualifying rounds for our annual plant championship. Pairings for the tourney are posted on the bulletin board north of the clock house. All entries are asked to play matches according to schedule and turn in results to Oscar Kleinert or Joe Brien as matches are completed.

Championship, A, and B flights comprise the tourney. Competition in all classes should be keen. Play your best, boys. Trophies to show your grandchildren will be presented the winners in each class.

## Opportunities

**FOR RENT**—7-rooms unfurnished, 900 State street, Alton, Ill. Modern. \$40.00 monthly.

**FOR SALE**—Universal Gray Enamel Electric Range in good condition. See A. E. Etkorn at Carpenter Shop.

**FOR SALE**—1940 Studebaker; 5000 miles; 5 new tires. Inquire at 325 M street, Edwardsville, Ill.

**FOR SALE**—1941 Buick convertible coupe. See O. Linquist at Welding Shop.

**FOR RENT**—Suite of rooms for two young men. See Mrs. Giehl at 635 East Penning, Wood River.

**FOR RENT**—Sleeping room; one single and one double room. See Mrs. Schnauer, 41 West Jennings, Wood River, Ill., phone 4-4130.

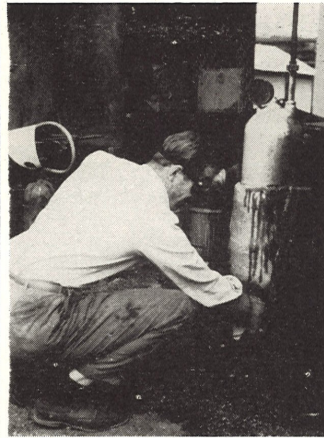
**FOR RENT**—Two sleeping rooms. Mrs. Bertha Sanders, 424 Ridge street, Alton, Ill. Phone 2-3254 (after 3:30 p. m.).

**FOR RENT**—7 rooms, partially furnished or unfurnished. Modern home; double garage. 519 Elsie street, Edwardsville. Phone Edws. 278RX.

**FOR SALE**—1940 Studebaker coupe. Good tires, radio, heater. 519 Elsie street, Edwardsville. Phone Edws. 278RX.

**LOST**—Pocket slide rule. Finder please return to H. J. Lewis, Lube Office.

## LUCKY??



**GEORGE THOMPSON Draining Trap Which Contained Cresylic Acid.**

By JOE BRIEN.

"I'm lucky I can see today," said George Thompson. Lucky? I believe you used the wrong adjective there, George.

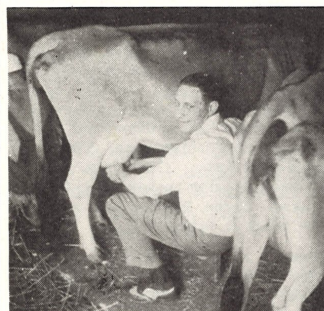
In attempting to drain a compressor duct trap at the Duo Sol Pilot Plant, George found the drain plugged. He closed the drain valve and opened it again, when suddenly pressure cleared the line and blew cresylic acid into a container, the acid splattered and hit George squarely in the face. George was wearing goggles. Would you call it luck?

George can see today because he knew that he was handling acid. He knew the dangers involved and he knew what protection he needed. More important, he used the necessary protective equipment and because he did, his eyes are intact, hence industry still has the services of an experienced worker needed so badly in our all-out effort to defeat the Axis.

War is terrible. The loss of life is appalling, and we all know it. But do you know that there will be more workers killed this year in the U. S. A. than the total number of American soldiers in action as died from their wounds in the first World War?

Accidents help the Axis. A safe worker helps defeat them. George is doing his part by working safely. ARE YOU?

Something new has been added! No, this is not a cigarette ad but a fact that a new job has been added at the Filter Plant. Therefore, we take pleasure in welcoming Messrs. W. M. Rasplca, E. J. Foehrkolb, J. S. Cox and M. L. to our midst.



**"DICK" DAVIS, Gas Plant, Supv., shows his ambidexterity. "Dick" says he can always fall back on this.**

## Research Lab. News

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Wilson are announcing the arrival of Charles William Wilson on August 8, 1942. A nice bit of planning: Bill was on his vacation at the time.

Mr. Carl (Isaac Walton) Farnstrom went on a really long trip on his vacation—to the Pacific Northwest, and more specifically to Puget Sound where he fished. It seems there's a number of canneries up there, and rumor has it that Carl had most all of them working overtime schedules to can all the salmon he caught. They say his load of fish nearly capsize the boat each day he went out. As proof of his piscatorial accomplishment, he supplied the Stenographic Department of the laboratories with a can of salmon with his name on the label, the weight of the fish from which that can was supplied, and the exact spot on the map of the Sound at which that fish was caught. The girls had an excellent salmon-sadad lunch that day.

However, it seems it's the little things that count. A certain other mechanic, not Farnstrom, had once in every so often tightened a bolt on one or two of our typewriters, done minor jobs of the sort requiring two

## Filter Plant

B. L. TANNER.

Rumors flew thick and fast August 20 about a certain shift foreman joining the Navy. Said rumors were duly confirmed the following day when Mr. A. M. Dodd announced that he will leave for the Navy about September 1 with the rank of machinist's mate, first class. Congratulations, Dodd, and good luck.

The latest news from our men now in service is as follows:

Pfc. Walter E. Hartung just returned to Camp Perrin near Sherman, Texas, after spending a ten-day furlough at home in Edwardsville.

Pharmacist's Mate Ray P. Smith has not been heard from lately and it is thought that he has been assigned to sea duty.

Pvt. Leo Kaufman reports from Rantoul that he is attending school from 10 p. m. to 6 a. m., thereby being excused from drilling and K. P. duty.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Gross upon the arrival of Miss Natalie Ann on August 13.

or three minutes, and the other day the stenographers presented him with cigars.

## REZABEK KEEPS 'EM FLYING



Al Rezabek, formerly of the Automotive Department.

## News of Former Employee In Army

Press Release—Gardner Field, Calif.—One day a young recruit sat down at the piano and played for the soldiers lounging in the Recreation Hall at Gardner Field, Calif. Everyone was amazed at his talent in swing, boogie-woogie . . . the classics. Since then, there has been a crowd in the Rec Hall every noon to listen to Pfc. Al Rezabek play during his lunch hour.

He is a very busy soldier this son of Mrs. Anna Rezabek, of Route 4, Edwardsville, Ill. Before being inducted at Scott Field, Ill., in March, 1942, he worked five days a week for the Shell Oil Company at Wood River, Ill., and played orchestra "jobs" five nights a week. His friends said he'd probably get some rest, now that he's in the Army. They were wrong.

After two weeks of intensive recruit drilling, he was assigned to the 329th School Squadron, working on the flight lines for two months. In his off time he tried to organize a glee club, a band of his own, and help out on radio programs broad-

cast over station KPMC in Bakersfield, Calif., under the sponsorship of the Public Relations Department. Deciding he could swing it better if he had more time, he was transferred to the Central Mess Hall, and put in charge of twelve "K. P.'s." Having every other day off, in which to pursue his various activities this works out fine.

The Special Service Office arranges his orchestra jobs for him, and he says, "The Army's a lot better than I thought—especially since I can do orchestra work besides." He likes to dance, swim and when he takes a girl bowling, he says he "sure watches that she doesn't beat me."

Entertaining at the U. S. O. often, he says this organization is the "best encouragement any soldier has."

He attended Collinsville Township High School, Collinsville, Ill., had his own band when he was 18, played with the "Missourians," wrote several songs which Guy Lombardo used in dance arrangements, and has a brother who is an engineer at Camp Shelby, Miss. Intends to go back to work for Shell Oil Company when the war is over.—From Edwardsville Intelligencer.

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## Shell Club Fall Dance Successful



The Shell Club held their fall dance at the Country Club, Chain of Rocks, St. Louis, on September 18. Members of the Shell Club, their wives, and friends enjoyed the cool breeze in the open air terrace gardens and the tantalizing rhythms of Buddy Kay's orchestra.

An unusual feature of the dance was the presence of twenty soldiers from Jefferson Barracks, who were entertained by the fair and winsome members of our female staff at the refinery. Much credit is due Dot McNally for her successful convoy of the soldiers to the club. Anyway, a good time was had by all.

## Shell Heads Scrap Drive

EMPLOYEES OF THIS REFINERY WILL BE PLEASED TO KNOW THAT DURING THE RECENT SCRAP DRIVE HELD IN THIS AREA, THIS REFINERY WAS FIRST WITH 1,191,680 POUNDS OF SCRAP CONTRIBUTED DURING THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER. THIS WAS MORE THAN TWICE AS MUCH SCRAP AS ALL OTHER COMBINED INDUSTRIES IN THIS AREA CONTRIBUTED.

SCRAP WILL BE OF VITAL IMPORTANCE IN THE SUCCESSFUL CULMINATION OF THIS WAR. IT WILL BE UP TO EACH AND EVERY ONE OF US TO CONSERVE ON ALL METAL WHEREVER USED.

THIS AMOUNT OF SCRAP WILL BUILD 120 MEDIUM TANKS. LET'S BUILD MORE!

## New Feature on Group Insurance Premiums

Effective immediately, the practice of collecting premiums for Group Life Insurance and Group Income Protection Insurance from members who are on leave of absence WITHOUT PAY because of sickness, non-occupational or occupational injury will be discontinued during such periods for a maximum of 12 months from the first day of disability.

## Transportation Committee Urges Use Of Central Register

The plant transportation committee has urged that all employees who are driving to work and who have space available in their cars for additional passengers should register at the Industrial Relations Department to that effect.

Employees who are carrying less

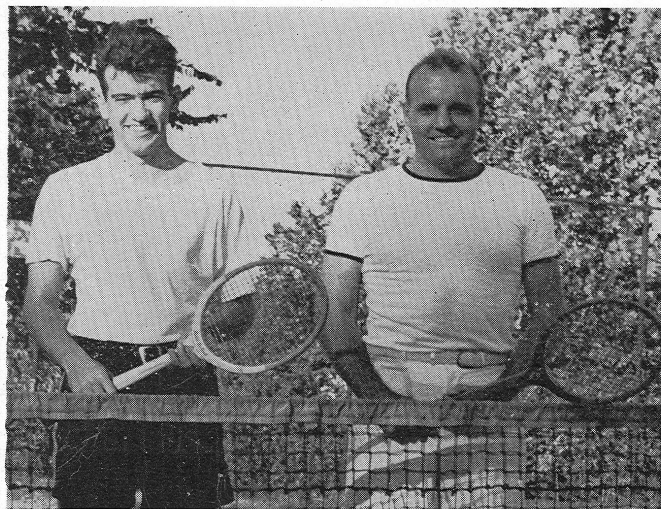
than the minimum allotment under the OPA restrictions will not be considered for tires by the plant transportation committee unless they have registered as requested in order that the transportation committee will be satisfied of their desire to secure additional passengers.

The shortage of tires will be even more acute than we formerly anticipated. We urge all employees to cooperate in the "share-the-ride" program in order that we may not suffer from lack of transportation at a later date.

## THANKS!

The Service Men who attended the last Shell Dance, wish to take this opportunity to thank the Shell Club for a most enjoyable evening. They wish to thank individually, the girls who graciously made their evening a pleasant one; also those who so generously supplied the "liquid refreshments" throughout the evening.

## Root and Smith Win City Doubles Championship



Clark Root and "TNT" Smith fought their way through the cream of tennis competition to win the Alton Tennis Double Championship. Nice going fellows!

## Suggestion Boxes Placed In Refinery

We who remain on the production line have an obligation to our friends and relatives in the fighting forces to provide them with the materials of war in whatever quantity and quality necessary for ultimate victory. Each of us can become an important cog in the production drive by giving serious consideration to ways and means of conserving vital materials, eliminating waste, and increasing production.

The Plant Production Drive Committee wants constructive suggestions from employees along these lines and has developed a suggestion system designed to expedite consideration of your suggestions. Suggestion boxes are located in convenient places throughout the plant. The boxes are painted red, white, and blue and are located as follows:

Main Gate Central Shops

Cracking Cleanout Office

Gas Dept. Office, Lube D. & D. Plant

All employees who may have a suggestion along the above lines are urged to write it down, indicate name and clock number, and drop it in one of the boxes. Your cooperation in this respect may contribute substantially to your country's war effort.

## Shell Service Club Meeting Nov. 4, 1942

The Shell Service Club will hold its quarterly meeting on Wednesday, November 4, at 7:30 p. m., in the auditorium of the new Roxana High School, Roxana, Ill.

Service awards will be made to new 10-year members and those eligible for 15, 20 and 25-year pins. Following a short business meeting which will include nominations of officers of the club for the coming year, an interesting program of entertainment has been arranged.

Judge Nelson E. Lurton, who recently returned to the United States on the ship Gripsholm from Shanghai, China, where he was United States Commissioner, will speak on his experiences in China. The brutality of the Japanese in suppressing terrorism in Shanghai was one of the dark pictures Judge Lurton witnessed.

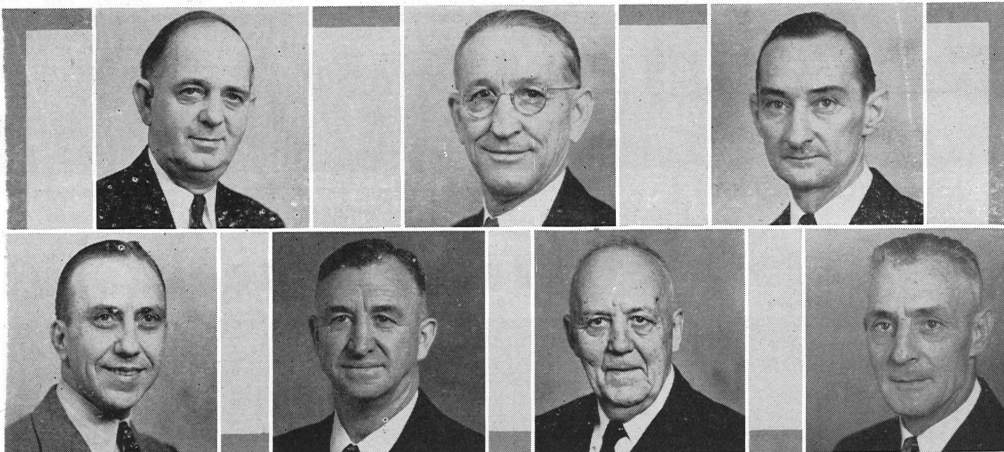
The Roxana High School Orchestra under the leadership of Mr. Kuhn, musical director of the high school, will present a few musical selections.

Following the meeting, refreshments will be served. This meeting is open to all Service Club members AND THEIR WIVES.

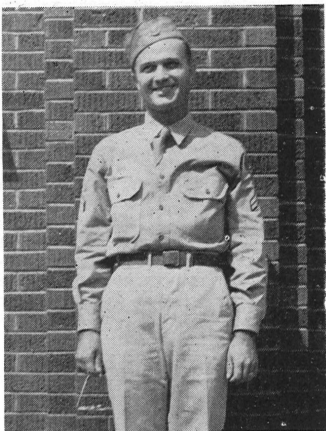
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**WOOD RIVER OLD TIMERS**



Completing 20 years of service with Shell; left to right (Top) A. E. Wolf, Cracking Dept., F. E. Isaminger, Car Dept., T. L. Groppel, Loading Racks; (Second Row) A. E. Rcss, Main Office, O. E. Phillips, Engineering Field, H. E. Bergfeld, Industrial Relations, G. E. Clayton, Storehouse.



Corporal Maurice Hubbs is now stationed at Jefferson Barracks.

**Car Shop Hot Box**

Fred Isaminger is back from his vacation and reports that he had a most enjoyable time watching and listening to the Cards wallop the Yankees.

The three new Car Department girls, Misses Pauline Hoolihan, Jean Rodgers and Ramona Determan, are enlivening this end of the Refinery no end. Look out Newt!

Also new in the Car Department warehouse is Mr. L. C. Durham who is assisting Sam and Louie with the bolts and nuts.

Latest to enter the armed services is Earl Clawson who has signed up for the duration. We hear that Elmer Attebery is assigned to the Engineers and is presently located in Virginia.

Clyde Jones, now a sergeant, is still located in California and latest reports have him married.

**Extraction Plant**

H. D. CARTER.

Harold Kays resigned from his job at the Extraction Plant, Oct. 12, to join Uncle Sam's Navy. Everyone wishes him the best of luck. He has promised to send us a Jap's ear for a souvenir.

The Extraction Plant has a new dictionary. Everyone donated a dime for it and the money that is left over after its paid for goes into the can for a Christmas present for the boys in Uncle Sam's service.

Oh, yes! About that can. It is just an ordinary can with the purpose of contests stencilled on the side. Everyone seems pretty much interested in keeping the contents growing as rapidly as possible. For some years it has been a custom for anyone getting "A" time for a shift to treat the rest of the boys. Now the treat money goes into the can. One shift foreman was asked to donate a dime for the dictionary. He handed over a dollar with the remark, "Take your dime out of this and put the change in the can." And so the can fills up.

Hagemeier, a new employe at the Extraction, says he is too crafty to be fooled by any of the boys. From the looks of his ear after answering the telephone, we doubt this statement and prefer to call him "Blue Ear."

Nash, recently inducted into the Army, informs us that mealtime in the Army is really O.K., but between meals he doesn't like it so well.

Vic Buese is now a Sergeant and is still on the West Coast.

Otto Kassak must have gotten lonely out there in Washington State, so he took unto himself a wife.

Crader, one of the new pumpers at the Extraction Plant, has resigned and is going to California.

Guymon, Miller, and Logan are the new pumpers taking the place of the men that have left us.

Anyone wishing a refund on his dictionary donations see Bill Bailey.

**Catalytic Plants**

We are sorry to report that Lyle Ferguson is off work with a broken ankle. Make it a snappy recovery, Fergy.

The boys at the Catalytic Plants are not only interested in making high-octane gasolines but in aviation also. Those who have left the department for the Air Corps are: — Schmidt, Figge, Behrens, with Honchak, Groom and Jacobs waiting a call.

Congratulations are in order! Mr. and Mrs. Dye — son. Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hutte — son. Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Biven — daughter. More smokes than we know what to do with.

It has been suggested that the shift foremen have two raincoats. One for the muscle-bound and one for ordinary folks.

A steak dinner on Oct. 13 was held at the Stratford Hotel for Charles Bund and Joe Fortune who leave for the Army.

Cliff Davidson is vacationing and we believe not alone. He has that far away look in his eyes, and we don't believe it is lighthouse keeping.

**Athletic Club Card Party November 10**

The officers of the Shell Athletic Club have announced that a card party will be held at the refinery Cafeteria on Tuesday, November 10.

Those who attended the card party last winter will remember it as a very successful occasion and will undoubtedly wish to attend this party.

Pinochle and bridge games will be held with beautiful prizes as rewards for the winners. These prizes will be on display at the Industrial Relations Office very shortly. Refreshments will be served to those attending. All Shell employees and their families are invited and urged to attend.

A nominal charge of 25 cents per person will be made to partially defray expenses.

Don't forget—November 10!!

**Boiler House Gossip**

L. A. KRAMER.

Vacations are about over. Joe is back from lining things up at Sorento; Parton is back from Kentucky. Says he don't like black-eyed peas and branch water, anyhow.

We have a man who does not like publicity. His name I must not mention.

Baldy has trouble keeping his helpers. They just get so they can do his work when Uncle Sam pats them on the shoulder. Midkiff has signed with the Civilian Air Corps.

We received a letter from Neurnberger and Red Irwin. Neurnberger is still at Navy Pier, Chicago. Red is at Hamilton, Ohio, in the Diesel factory as 2nd-class Machinist Mate—says he will be on a sub chaser soon.

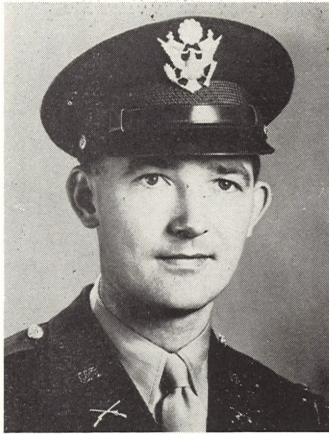
For Sale: Kersosene stove — inquire H. M. Baldwin, No. 1 Boiler House.

39 Ford Coupe. Tires fair, radio and heater, fog lights. Inquire 250 South 12th Street, Wood River.

Condray is also back from vacation. Says he used those rusty fishhooks and trained that squirrel dog a little.



2nd Lieut. K. L. Huez "somewhere in Australia."



2nd Lieut. Joseph B. Toth is now stationed at Camp Croft, S. C.

**Topping Row**  
E. S. QUILLEN.

Two more of our boys have entered military service. Glen Hachman joined the Navy as Machinist Mate, and Mel Hubach joined the Army Air Force.

"Ike" Clark is visiting in California. While he is there, he will see how our National Defense is producing.

Who could the following quotations represent?:

1. 'They soft-soaped him until he couldn't see them for the suds in his eyes.'
2. 'He took misfortune like a man—blamed it on his wife.'
3. 'A bore is a fellow who opens his mouth and puts his feet in it.'
4. 'He's always such late relief that he can't even look the clock in the face.'

Tom Grable says there is so much dough in those purses taken up for the boys that leave for the Army that he believes he might "join up" to get some of that pocket jingle-jangle.

Asker—And when the Judge ruled that Kirk had to pay alimony, how did he feel about it?

Tellett—Chagrined.

Asker—And how did the wife feel about it?

Tellett—She grinned.



Private Rex Quakenbush is stationed at Fort Brady, Michigan.

**Main Office News**

By JUDITH DIETIKER.

It might interest you all to know that ever since we hired the beautiful red head in the Pay Roll Department Mr. Paxson has made the basement his headquarters. Back in the old days, he was scarcely ever seen in this vicinity but he has turned over a new leaf and has taken up book-keeping—that is, he keeps two big books in front of him and peers constantly over the tops for all the world like his old geography days. We are watching him too closely for him to show up with a big red apple.

Our office boy had a mishap the other day on his first day breaking in on a new job as mail boy. He was hit by a truck while riding a bicycle but we were glad to hear that he suffered no real disability. Hope he is more fortunate from now on.

The Get-Acquainted Club sponsored a steak fry Thursday night, October 15, on the Shell terrace and a large crowd was present. Delicious steaks, prepared by D. Brewer were devoured by all, together with other delicacies. Dancing followed in the cafeteria and a good time was had by all.

Eleanor Friedman (Wiseman to you) of the Shipping Department was recently married to Julien Friedman of Dallas, Texas; also Claragene Roderick (Fox) of the Cost Department was married while on her vacation and has already left to be with her husband who is stationed in California in the army. We have enjoyed working with these two girls and hope they will be very happy in the future.

Apparently the Main Office personnel is going through a seige of "Falling-Itis." The first recent episode occurred when Frank Paxson fell out of his chair while auditing the hourly pay roll. When one of our vigilant reporters rushed to the scene for a statement all we could get from Mr. Paxson was "quit laughing, you bunch of hyenas, you would probably throw an anchor to a drowning man."

The second recent case was that concerning Miss Ethyle Derwin, our telephone operator, who fell out of bed the other night. When interviewed Miss Derwin emphatically stated, "I don't know what other people do about things like this but personally I'm buying two more inner-spring mattresses—one for the floor on each side of the bed." My, my, what is everyone dreaming about! (Seriously, though, Ethyle suffered a serious bruise to her shoulder bone and we hope she recovers very soon.)

**Opportunities**

**For Sale**—Men's leather sheep lined jacket. Small size. Phone 2-2981 (after 6 p. m.)

**For Sale**—3½ H. P. Neptune outboard motor. Geo. Rozum, Boiler Shop.

**For Sale**—2 Pointer pups, 5 mos. old, \$5.00 each. Pat Drainer, Paint Shop.

**For Rent**—Large room for 2 men. 420 E. Lorena Ave., Wood River.

**For Rent**—Large front room. 1120 Douglas St., Alton.

**DUBBS ROW... E. SCOTT**

Mr. Carroll-of-the-Dubbs is our Big lumber and Nail man; will sell you anything from board stretchers to nail holes!

Mr. John Laux said his hound would have won the gold cup—if—the pesky hound had used a bit more discretion in his choice of something to chase, like, for instance, a fox instead of a rabbit.

Mr. Van Horne persists in whistling while he works; at least we know where he is—

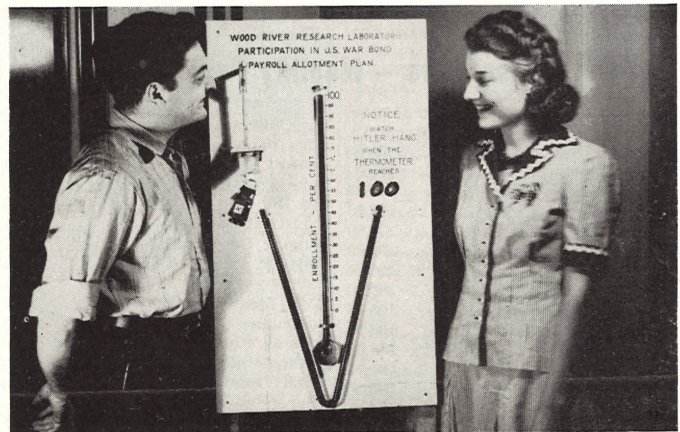
Some of the boys at 9, 10, 11, and 12 Dubbs would have a bad time talking if their pencils were taken away from them from the way the top sheet of the daily report looks.

Mr. Kitzmiller will bet \$5.00 to \$10.00 on the Yanks any day—at least, it helps when making out your income tax return!

Mr. Vance said the reason they have recording instruments is because the Checker-uppers don't care where you are going, but do want to know where you have been.

We wish the very best of good luck to Mr. Brangart, who is leaving for the Navy in the near future.

**RESEARCH LAB HANGS HITLER**



We think everyone would have gotten as much kick as we did at the moment when the Research Labs hit 100% enrollment in the War Bond Payroll Deduction Plan. Ingenious Researchers had rigged up a white panel board on which was mounted a red "thermometer," indicating percentage enrollment, and a large blue "V." On this same board was a small figure of Hitler standing under a scaffold (and tied securely thereto by a rope to his neck). When the "100" was reached, electrical circuits released the trap below Hitler's feet, lights flashed, horns blew, and there was a resounding explosion. We won't try to brag, because we know there are departments in the refinery who are subscribing 100% to the Payroll Deduction Plan; however, we feel sure that the "contraption" at the Research Labs increased the speed of enrollment almost to that of an avalanche.

We're going to list the following "new developments" in chronological order for the sake of simplicity:

Sept. 19: Mr. O. Muskopf married Miss Ruth Kempa.

Sept. 30: A third son, Richard Arthur (wt. 7 lbs. 12 oz.) was presented to Dr. George Hugo von Fuchs.

Oct. 1: After a somewhat longer search than is required by the "average" man, Mr. C. W. Judd finally found the perfect girl. Her name was Miss Blanche Morgan and is now Mrs. C. W. Judd.

Oct. 9: Mrs. G. L. Hayes presented Mr. G. L. Hayes with a small (7 lb.

12 oz.) package named George Wallace Hayes.

Oct. 11: (Only two days later) Mr. C. L. Lewis was presented with the same type of package (slightly smaller: 7 lbs. 2 oz.) with the name Stanley Spencer Lewis on it. Clyde recently distinguished himself otherwise by passing all the physical and mental exams for the Air Corps and is waiting to be called in.

Mr. V. Hoeche learned to fly under the C. A. A., and has now enlisted for the Air Corps—now awaits his call.

Mr. K. L. Teter has said goodbye and enlisted in the Air Corps for ground crew duty. It wasn't more than about a week ago when he enlisted, and he was not at the laboratories this Monday. We wish him luck as one of THE men who will literally help "Keep 'Em Flying."

Mr. R. A. Herb had to leave us early in September because of rather poor health. With plenty of fresh air, exercise and good food, they tell us he'll be fine, but we're sorry he had to leave.

Dr. H. D. Burnham was called to active duty as Lieutenant in the Ordnance Department. He is now stationed at Aberdeen, Md. The Research group "stormed" his house as a farewell gesture.

We welcome a new member to our staff, Dr. F. F. Farley. We think we can say for the whole group: "We like you, Doc!"

### Bond Subscribers -- Hourly Paid Employees

Department	Pct. of Subr. to tot. emp's.		
Research Laboratory	100.00	Lube Ext. Plant	81.48
Coke Disposal	100.00	Lube Dewaxing	80.77
Engineering Office	100.00	Electricians	78.18
Lead Burners	100.00	Lube Laboratory	71.43
Painters	100.00	Boiler & Power Houses	66.67
Salvage & Valve Repair	100.00	L. O. Treating	65.91
Welders	100.00	Brickmasons	61.11
Boilermakers	98.89	Experimental Lab.	54.85
Riggers	98.48	Lube Treating	53.85
Labor	94.58	Iso-Octane & Poly Pits.	51.22
Pipefitters	94.00	Blacksmiths	50.00
Carpenters	92.59	Gas Division	48.94
Car	91.67	Topping	47.30
Tinners	91.67	Cracking	42.31
Lube Comp. & Shipping	91.58	Lube Filters	42.31
Field & Shop Machinists	91.45	Lube Vacuum Stills	40.00
Automotive	91.35	Cracking V. P.	35.29
Tool Room Men	90.00	Loading & Unloading	35.19
Asbestos Workers	89.74	Laboratory Control	35.04
Storehouse	89.47	Dispatching	29.03
Cranemen	88.24	Toluene Plant	27.27
Cracking, Insp., Maint. & Cl.	85.51	Slop Recovery	25.00
Cooling Water & Air System	81.82	Average	79.57

### Bond Subscribers -- Monthly Paid Employees

Department	Pct. of Subr. to tot. emp's.		
Fire & Safety Department	100.00	Experimental Lab.	81.82
Superintendence	100.00	Lube Vacuum Stills	80.00
Ind. Engineering	100.00	Control Laboratory	79.31
Automotive	100.00	Lube Treating & Filters	75.00
Cooling Water	100.00	Gas Division	72.73
Research Laboratory	100.00	Industrial Relations	70.21
Lube Laboratory	100.00	Topping Department	66.67
Dispatching	100.00	Boiler & Power House	63.64
Lube Supervision	100.00	Cracking L. P.	60.71
Lube Ext. Plant	100.00	L. O. Treating	57.14
Lube Dewaxing	100.00	Iso-Octane & Poly Pit.	50.00
Car	100.00	Toluene Plant	50.00
Products Application	100.00	Loaing-Unloading & Switching and Coke Disp.	40.00
Technological	95.45	Average	85.81
Storehouse	94.45		
Field Maintenance	92.59		
Engineering Office	91.04		
Main Office	87.27		
Lube Comp. & Shipping	84.62		
Crkg. Insp., Maint. & Cl.	83.33		

We are still on the tail-end of the list of all Shell payroll centers in Bond purchases. Let's show our patriotism and BUY-BUY-BUY WAR BONDS!

### DOWN STRIKE ALLEY

By SIR SMITTY.

Those Laborers are sure setting the Super Shell League on fire! Imagine winning 20 of their first 24 games. And they're carrying an 893 team total. Nice going, Gents'!

One reason for their success is Dave Patton. Of the 24 games rolled, he has cracked 200 eight times, just missed a perfect game, and smacked down 669 pins in one night for the season high three.

Unlike the Super Shell League, the Golden Shell League Championship is still a wide-open race for ten of the twelve teams, at present headed by the Reformers and Cracking Cleanout. There is a newcomer to the league, the Analytical Laboratory, close on their heels.

Pipefitter Stanley, "The Brute," is living up to his name by recently overpowering 574 pins in three games for a new Golden League season high, and by improving 16 pins on his last season's average.

Say, look at who has season high single game in each league. A couple of surprise packages—Lou Roller of

### Where They Are



Second-Class Petty Officer "Bob" Day, is now stationed at New Orleans, La.

the Safety team with 244 and Ray Neuhaus of the Reformers with 243.

Many people have recently asked what's happened to the average of our former Ace Bowler, Joe Nagy. Wonder if his recent "I do" did it!

### Did You Know - -

It costs as much to build one Liberty cargo vessel as to build 16 heavy tanks.

The 33 pounds of tin used in solder for a medium tank would make 10,000 tin cans.

Australia has sharply cut its output of civilian clothes to make more soldiers' uniforms.

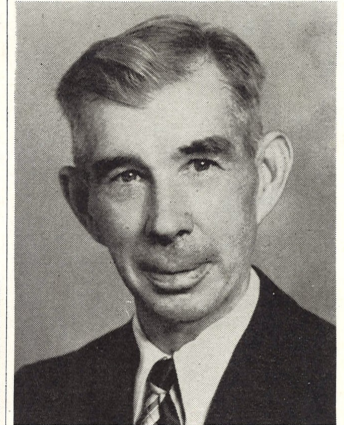
The first military unit known as the Rangers served under Robert Rogers in the French and Indian War.

The electricity used in making a single ton of armor plate would light an average home for 15 months.



Sgt. Furg Buggs, Camp San Luis Obispo, Calif.

### W. A. Merritt Takes Pension



"Bill" Merritt, veteran Cracking Cleanout employee, has decided to hang up his hard-boiled hat and park his feet on the porch rail for a well-earned rest. "Bill" has almost 20 years of service to his credit at this refinery and he plans to relax and further his farming ambitions in the future. Good luck for the future, "Bill"!

For Sale—Eight-room residence in Wood River. Good condition and reasonably priced. Desirably located near schools and on bus route. Phone Wood River 4-5912.

### SHELL BOWLING LEAGUES

SUPER SHELL LEAGUE.				GOLDEN SHELL LEAGUE.				
October 26, 1942.				October 26, 1942.				
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Laborers	20	4	Reformers	16	8	Cracking Cleanout	16	8
Local 553	16	8	Analytical Lab.	15	9			
Crackers	14	10	Lt. Oil Tr. No. 2	14	10			
Control Lab.	13	11	Lt. Oil Tr. No. 1	13	11			
Stabilizers	13	11	Pipefitters	13	11			
Elect. & Mach.	12	12	Iso-Octane	12	12			
Safety Dept.	12	12	Topping Dept.	12	12			
Industrial Rel.	11	13	Gas Plants	11	13			
Cokers	11	13	Truck Drivers	11	13			
Dispatching	9	15	Control Lab. No. 2	6	18			
Compound House	8	16	Electricians	5	19			
Lube Dept.	5	19						

### COME HELL OR HIGH WATER!

So you're taking a few days off next week to go duck hunting. Or you're gonna lay off Saturday afternoon to catch a football game. Or maybe you've got a sneaking hunch you'll stay home Monday to nurse that week-end hangover.

What difference will it make, you ask? I'm only one out of 3,000 working stiffs in this man's plant, you say. Joe Zilch can take over my machine—he's almost as fast as I am. What's a few days off more or less in a scrap as big as this?

Well, try to peddle that story to a doughboy like this. COME HELL OR HIGH WATER, he's fighting for YOU from the Australian bush country to the burning sands of the Middle East. Whatta you think he'd tell you?

Uncle Sammy's soldiers don't recognize any hunting season—they're shooting Nazis and Japs 365 days a year and twice on Sundays. They're not watching any end-runs—they're playing a game of life and death with tommy guns and cold steel. If they get down with a head it's from a piece of enemy shrapnel.

If they're fighting your war COME HELL OR HIGH WATER, how about STAYING ON THE JOB FOR THEM? They'll do the battling if you do the producing. That means NO DAYS OFF today, tomorrow, next week, any week until VICTORY is ours.