



13 BILLION DOLLARS IN WAR BONDS-GOAL FOR APRIL

Men and women workers in American war plants are going to see actual production results a good deal more clearly this year than last for each ounce of "elbow grease" expended, the Office of War Information reports, for a much greater proportion of the output will be finished weapons.

But it is not only up to these workers to see more and more complete weapons produced, OWI added; to achieve their purpose of beating the Axis it is also up to them, along with their fellow Americans, to see that the weapons stay in action—a job that must be accomplished by the raising of 13 billion extra dollars in the next few weeks, through the Second War Loan, starting April 12.

The American people, including war workers enjoying the highest wages in history, will have this year over and above taxes, insurance, debt payment, and what they can buy, OWI pointed out, perhaps forty billions of dollars of funds available for current income. Unless these funds are invested directly in government securities, they will tend to swell the hoards of currency and commercial bank deposits, thus adding still greater pressure toward dangerous inflation.

But if the current savings are invested in Government securities, it means that these "loose" dollars will do double duty, not only in becoming harnessed to the war effort, but also in acting against inflation with its possible disastrous consequences of lessened purchasing power for every dollar earned by the worker.

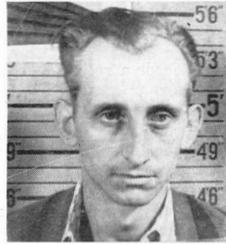
The Second U. S. War Loan is the largest, most important financing ever undertaken by any Government in history, OWI said, pointing out that the blunt fact behind the loan is this—to keep the United States war machine going, 13 billion dollars over and above regular War Bond buying must be produced.

Red Cross Drive A Success

All employees are to be congratulated on the way they responded to the recent drive for funds for the American Red Cross, sponsored locally by the Joint Production Drive Committee.

The total contributed was \$1,918.51, which is almost double the amount raised last year. The Dispatching Department even received a donation from one of their former employees now in military service—Harold A. Lidster, of the U. S. Army Air Corps, stationed at San Angelo, Texas. See page two for contributions by departments.

FORMER SHELL EMPLOYEE REPORTED MISSING



Word has been received that Wilson E. Eldred, who enlisted in the U. S. Navy in September, 1942 as a second class machinist, has been reported missing in action. Prior to his enlistment he was employed as a Field Machinist Helper.

Eldred is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Chauncey Eldred of Carrollton, Illinois.

VICTORY GARDEN CLUB ORGANIZED

Win Cash With Your Garden

Have you had trouble with your food stamps running out before you had bought all the food you planned to buy? Well, the recent formation of the Shell Wood River Refinery Victory Garden Club should help in stretching your food stamps and also help in the war effort by saving as much food as possible for next winter, when more acute food shortages may develop. The Refinery Management has turned over to the Victory Garden Club that part of North Property immediately south of the Baseball Diamond No. 2. This plot of ground has been plowed and harrowed and is ready for planting. Any employee planning a Victory Garden, large or small, is eligible for membership. There are no dues or obligations connected with membership in the club. All you need to do is sign an application form and leave it at the Industrial Relations Office. If you do not have a garden or could handle a larger one, why not make application for one of these plots? However, any employee having a Victory Garden, wherever it is located, is eligible for membership in the Shell Victory Garden Club. The officers of this newly organized club are Taylor Elliott, president; William Ayres, vice-president; and Glenn Felton, secretary. Prizes, to be announced later, will be offered for superior produce, and if sufficient interest is shown, perhaps a canning school may be attempted. All employees who join the Victory Garden Club will receive a free copy of "Victory Backyard Gardens."

Anyone who may be discouraged about his own prospects of having a good Victory Garden should look over the following rules of good planting as issued by the Office of War Information:

1. Plan to plant vegetables of high nutritive value. A good simple key of this three-fold color scheme: red for tomatoes; green for green and leafy vegetables, such as cabbage, lettuce, lima beans and snap beans; yellow for onions and carrots—all high in vitamins and minerals.

2. Space plantings so as to have crops ripening all through the summer. This can be done by timing plantings of the same vegetable several weeks apart.

3. Prepare ground thoroughly, breaking up clods, working sod finely with a rake, removing stones and trash. Knock dirt off clumps of grass and throw them on compost pile to rot for fertilizer.

4. Fertilize well. Use ground that has come from rotted leaves, or from the compost pile if you have one. Apply commercial fertilizer if the ground is not already rich. Fertilizer speeds up growth, and if vegetables don't grow fast they become tough and tasteless.

5. Keep weeds down.

6. Be ready to fight insects with insecticides. Experienced neighbors can tell you when insects are most likely to arrive.

7. Utilize everything you grow. Don't let anything go to waste, even if you have to give it away. Tomatoes should be canned at home in as great quantities as possible for they are rich in necessary vitamins and they also cost high in point rationing stamps if bought canned at the store.

8. Always get the best advice you can. Neighbors who have gardened before can give valuable help with the time tables and knowledge of the soil of your community.

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Samuel T. Lane Receives Cash Award For Suggestion



Samuel T. Lane, Control Laboratory maintenance man, is being presented with a \$50.00 check by Mr. Roberts in recognition of his suggestion for improvement in the design of the laboratory water bath. Mr. Lane has installed several baths of this improved type in the Laboratory.

Congratulations, Sam! Such interest and ingenuity is what makes America tops in production and is one little reason why Herr Hitler can't win.

Red Cross Contributions By Departments

Brickmasons	\$ 11.00
Carpenters	38.00
Boilermakers & Welders	53.00
Riggers	67.50
Laborers	126.50
Painters	13.75
Truck Drivers	52.25
Garage Mechanics	16.50
Tinners	10.00
Electricians	25.50
Pipefitters	120.50
Machinists	172.00
Central Shops	22.00
Asbestos Workers	24.50
Industrial Relations	21.75
Engineering Inspection	11.00
Safety Department	7.00
Control Lab.	57.00
Cracking Cleanout	17.15
Car Department	53.00
Research Laboratory	52.72
Cooling Water System	25.00
Lube Comp. & Shipping	87.95
Lube Office	17.00
Lube Vacuum	22.00
Lube Extraction	27.00
Lube D & D	29.50
Lube Filters	31.75
Lube Hvy. Oil Tr.	10.00
Topping	42.00
Boiler House	21.75
Dispatching	65.00
Store House	10.55
Light Oil Treaters	41.00
Cracking Department	105.50
Gas Department	66.89
Main Office (including En- gineering Office)	343.00
Total	\$1918.51

SHELL ATHLETIC CLUB PLANS BUSY SUMMER

The new Board of Governors of the Shell Athletic Club held their first meeting to organize the athletic program for this summer. Here are some of their plans:

1. To sponsor and finance a softball team for the Alton Not-So-Good League. "Bill" Nicolet has been appointed manager of this team.
2. To sponsor and finance a softball team for the Alton Industrial League. "Ed" Burmaster has been appointed manager of the team.
3. To give a dance, Saturday, May 8, 1943, for Shell employees and their wives.
4. To sponsor a Blind Bogey Golf tournament each month during the summer.
5. To sponsor a refinery championship golf tournament during the middle of the summer.
6. To sponsor a refinery championship horseshoe tournament during the middle of the summer.
7. For the remainder of the bowling season, to give 10c prize money for each game and three game total which the teams in the Golden and Super Shell Leagues beat their opponents.
8. To carry out the plans arranged by the last Board of Governors to give each team in both leagues \$3.00 prize money and bowling shirts to the 1943 Shell Refinery Bowling Team Champions.
9. Early indications are that there will not be any Plant softball leagues this year because of gasoline rationing, overtime work, and Victory Gardening. However, team entries will be accepted, and if enough interest is shown, the leagues will function as usual.



Frank G. Adams, Seaman 1c, former Hoist Operator, now stationed at Davisville, Rhode Island.

Arnold Mouish Promoted to Chief Petty Officer

Arnold Mouish, former Shipping Department Clerk, recently was advanced to the rating of chief petty officer in the coast guard service at his station in New York City. He has completed one year of service and in that time has advanced from apprentice seaman to chief, the highest rating in the enlisted branch.

In Memoriam

It is with deep regret that we announce the death of Mr. P. M. Goewey who passed away on March 23. Mr. Goewey was employed as a Guard since November 2, 1939. He was born September 14, 1898, and is survived by his wife and seven children.

Our deepest sympathy and sincere condolence is extended to the bereaved family.

Shell Athletic Club Dance, May 8

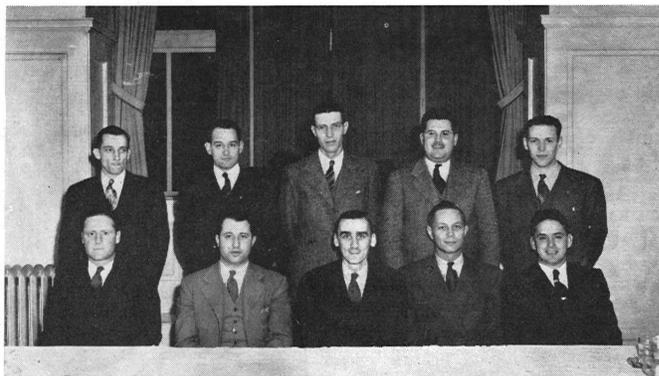
The Shell Athletic Club will sponsor a dance to be held Saturday, May 8, 1943, at 8:00 p. m., in the American Legion Hall, Sixth and Ferguson Avenues, Wood River, for all Shell employees and their wives. Admission is 25c per couple.

Boman C. Scriven Commissioned Second Lieutenant

Word has been received from the Public Relations Officer of the Infantry School at Fort Benning, Georgia, that Boman C. Scriven, formerly employed in our Cracking (V.P.) Department, was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Army after completing the Officer Candidate Course at the Infantry School at Fort Benning, Georgia.

Lieutenant Scriven was inducted into the Army on April 25, 1941, and served with the 28th Division and the Commando Detachment in Great Britain before going to Officer Candidate School. He held the rank of Sergeant before being commissioned. Congratulations, Lieutenant Scriven!

Athletic Club Banquets Basketballers



VICTORY GARDENS (Continued from page 1)

WHAT VEGETABLES TO PLANT — AND WHEN.

April 10 to May 1—

Beets, carrots, celery, kohlrabi, early potatoes, parsnips, parsley, Swiss chard, New Zealand spinach, cucumbers.

May 1 to June 1—

Beans, corn, cucumbers, melons, tomatoes, squash, pumpkin, potatoes, egg plant, okra.

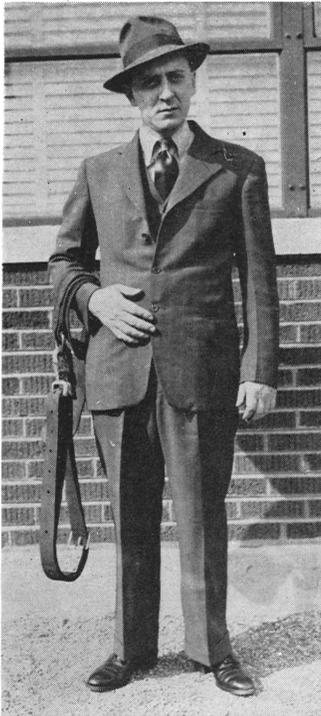
June 1 to July 15—

Beans, corn, beets, carrots, late cabbage, cauliflower, broccoli, Brussels sprouts, kohlrabi, cucumbers, rutabaga, kale, Chinese cabbage.

Pictured above are the members of the Shell Industrial League Basketball Team. They were guests of the Shell Athletic Club at a banquet given in their honor at the Mineral Springs Hotel in Alton. No—they didn't win any championships—they didn't even win many games, but as they all agreed at the banquet, they sure had a lot of fun.

This swell bunch of sports may be identified individually as: (Seated—left to right): W. F. Wade, Lee C. Goldberg, Carl R. Benefiel, M. A. Sullivan and C. A. Nicolet. (Standing—left to right): O. D. Phelps, E. T. Maguire, S. L. Owsley, Leonard Schildroth, manager, and F. H. Greenwood.

LIFE BELT SAVES LIFE



By TANNER SMITH.

Silas A. Bourland (Boiler House No. 2), is pictured above holding the life belt which saved him from very serious injury or possibly death. He looks as if he is very proud of this belt. Well, Silas, we're all very proud of you—for recognizing a hazard and protecting yourself against it.

It happened this way, Folks: Silas was requested to enter No. 2 Boiler at Boiler House No. 2 to knock the slag down from one part of the Boiler roof. He entered the Boiler and climbed up on the wooden scaffold erected for that purpose. Realizing that the scaffold was too low and that part of the slag might fall on him or the scaffold, he procured a ladder, placed it upon the scaffold, and after tying himself off from above with a life belt, stood near the top of the ladder and proceeded to poke the slag with a rod. Immediately, all of the slag, weighing approximately 1000 pounds, fell from the roof, struck the scaffold, crushing it. The ladder fell, and left Silas dangling in his life belt 15 feet above the debris—unharmed and safe. Had he not recognized the hazard and planned his job the safe way, he might easily have been buried underneath it all.

Later when questioned, Silas stated: "The life belt which I was wearing undoubtedly saved me from very serious injury or possibly death. I appreciate the safety protection which is offered us at this refinery and feel that everyone should take full advantage of it. I'M SURE GLAD I DID."

Yes, Gentlemen. Just another example of why it pays to plan the job the SAFE WAY.

LOST: One billfold—F. E. Doenges. If found, please notify E. C. Larson at Research Laboratory. Reward.

Lite Oil Nos. 1 and 2 Bowlers Hold Dinner

Lite Oil No. 1 and No. 2 bowlers and their wives enjoyed a delicious dinner at the Mineral Springs, Saturday, March 6, after which they held their annual bowling feud at the Acme Alleys. Lt. Oil No. 1 won by a total of 142 pins for the three games. Bill Grow was on winning team again for the fourth year, while Harry Leamy lost as usual for the fourth time. Bill says he has the jinx on Harry and the only way he can get out of paying for his dinner is to "luck" another of those 260 games.

D. J. Manning Now Lieutenant Colonel

We have recently learned that Dan J. Manning, former Research Lab. employee, has now attained the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. We recently had a letter from Mr. Harry McCulloch, of the Products Manufacturing Department in New York, telling us that he had received a V-letter from Dan, whose address is Hq. 1st Bn., 540th Eng. Regt., APO 668, care Postmaster, New York, New York. Lt. Col. Manning, Wood River Refinery's highest ranking officer, landed with assault troops in Africa almost two years to the day after leaving the refinery. The following is quoted from Dan's letter to Mr. McCulloch dated February 26:

"I departed from Belvoir very suddenly on a Saturday afternoon last fall and a few days later I was at sea. We landed with the assault troops on the west coast of Africa on the morning of November 8. Life has been quite interesting and extremely busy ever since. We have done some fighting and some engineering.

"It was about 2½ months from the time I left until the folks received any word and about 4 months before I received an answer. However, business picks up every once in a while, and, on the day I received your card, I received a total of 27 letters. "I haven't seen George Stetson yet, so I haven't had but a beer or two."

It is with great pride that we extend our heartiest congratulations to Lt. Col. Manning.

OPPORTUNITIES

FOR RENT: One sleeping room, private entrance, all conveniences. 164 Seventh Street, Wood River. Garage if necessary.

FOR RENT: Two first floor sleeping rooms for men. Double or single. Modern. Close to eating places. Mrs. Sanders, 424 Ridge Street, Alton, Illinois.

FOR RENT: Room for two men. Private entrance. Modern. George Krantz, 236 Eighth Street, Wood River, Illinois.

FOR RENT: One sleeping room. Herman Snyder, Sixth Street, Roxana, Illinois.

FOR RENT: Three furnished rooms. All conveniences. Bley Hotel, South Roxana, Ill. See F. E. Williams, Pipe Shop.

NOTICE

Anyone desiring to sell good used car please contact Lieutenant H. J. Sliva at the Compounding House.

★★ OUR MEN IN SERVICE ★★



Top Row—Left to Right: M/Sgt. Warner H. Anderson, former Loading Racks Helper, now stationed at Camp Davis, N. Carolina; B. W. Sonksen, Painter 2/c former Paint Shop employee now at Naval Air Station in Norfolk, Virginia; Pvt. George A. Sinniger, former Gas Plant Operator, now stationed in Modesto, California; Bottom Row—R. S. Cobbel, AMM-1c, former Shop Machinist, who is stationed in Corpus Christi, Texas; Sgt. A. E. Sitko, former Labor Office Clerk, now taking training at Laredo, Texas; E. L. Richie, SF1c, former Pipefitter Helper, now stationed at Norfolk, Va.

SHELL CREDIT UNION NEWS

ARE YOU A MEMBER OF THE CREDIT UNION? MEMBERS ONLY ARE ELIGIBLE TO BORROW.

You must be a member of the Credit Union before you are eligible for a loan. All applications for membership in the Credit Union are approved by the Board of Directors in their regular meetings held on the first and third Tuesdays of each month. Non-member employees are urged to become members of the Credit Union immediately so as to be able to take advantage of the Credit Union loans in the event they need money for an emergency.

Dividends of Over \$5.00 Must Be Withdrawn.

All dividends amounting to over \$5.00 for the year 1942 must be withdrawn. You have the privilege of depositing all withdrawals of over \$5.00 in your share amount again for this year just so that the total amount of your dividend withdrawal and regular deposit in the share account is not in excess of \$30.00 in any one month for a single account. The limit for a single share account deposit is \$25.00 per month.

Credit Committee Changes Meeting Time.

The credit committee meets every Monday evening at 6:00 p. m. They urge you to make your application for a loan immediately so that there will be no delay in considering your application in their regular Monday meetings. If you have a special financial problem that is bothering you, the Committee will be glad to have you come in and discuss the matter with them. Remember, you do not have to have your old loan fully paid to get a new loan.

You can stretch your dollars by the intelligent use of the services your Credit Union has to offer.

Economy makes happy homes, but when you use your Credit Union — that's economy plus.

Check This List and Ask Yourself: "AM I STILL A-GOIN' FISHIN'?"

I regularly buy War Stamps and Bonds—at least 10 percent of my income.

I avoid unnecessary expenditures in order to help prevent inflation.

I cheerfully observe all rationing regulations and do not hoard.

I budget my ration points carefully and don't waste food.

I work where I can do the most good for the war effort.

I get to work on time and am never avoidably absent.

I do my best to stay healthy.

I do my best to avoid accidents, especially if I work in a war plant.

I watch what I say and spread no rumors.

I conserve tires and gasoline.

I share my car with others.

I travel only when absolutely necessary.

I carry my own bundles when shopping to save manpower, gas and tires.

I contribute to the Red Cross and all War Relief funds.

I save and turn in scrap metal, used cooking fats and other needed materials.

I do Civilian Defense work.

I work with the Red Cross or other volunteer groups.

I am a regular blood donor.

I volunteer for Nurse's Aide work.

I pay my taxes on time and in full.

I do community social service work.

I am prepared to quietly cooperate with the F. B. I. in apprehending suspicious persons.

I am planting a Victory Garden.

I contribute books to the men in the service.

I write to friends and relatives in the service.

I observe dimout and blackout regulations to the letter.

This list, of course, is not complete. Every man, woman and child will find many other ways to help. Check this list with your neighbors and find out what they are doing.

LETTERS FROM OUR BOYS IN SERVICE

M. J. Roberts, EM-3c
San Francisco, California
Navy 8040 Fleet Postmaster
March 13, 1943

Somewhere in the South Pacific
Shell Oil Company,
Wood River Refinery
Wood River, Illinois
Gentlemen:

A short sketch with you to say thanks a lot for the Readers Digest and the Shell Review. Really swell of you to think of us like that. We appreciate it. Also keep that 100-ccane coming. It is a premium unvaluable here, and how well this side of the world has begun to realize it now.

A special note of appreciation to the Laboratory for the cigarettes. Don't smoke myself but it's a pleasure to see a buddy get enjoyment from them. Thanks again.

In the January issue of the Review you had a J. M. Roberts as private in the Army. Just wondered if that could have been me. Anyway, you have my correct address now.

So long for now,
J. M. ROBERTS.

A/C Joseph E. Kingery
Pre-Flight School (Pilot)
Group III, Sqdn. II, Flight "D",
S. A. A. C. C., SanAntonio, Texas
March 24, 1943

Dear Sirs:

During my stay at the classification center I was called a Cadet. Well, now I really am a Cadet; I might add I am a lower-classman. I have seen a lot of movies about Cadet schools and thought it was a lot of bunk. Now that I am at pre-flight, I see things differently. According to upperclassmen we are supposed to be unhappy—and if not they take care of that for us. We are supposed to be unhappy and also eager. Every Cadet is eager and unhappy. You will never know how unhappy all of the upper classmen were when they saw and heard about my most beautiful check from Shell Oil Company. They were even more unhappy when I told them of the family allowance Shell offers to our wives. So they make us unhappy and we sometimes get our chance to do likewise. I might add that in four and one-half weeks I will be a nasty upperclassman. Seriously, it is the upperclassmen's job to get us on the ball and teach us. They are doing a fine job and we all really appreciate it.

I also appreciate your most generous allowance and would like for you to know that I am going to buy bonds with it.

Luck to my fellow workers,
EVERETT KINGERY.

Australia
March 14, 1943

Shell Oil Company
Wood River, Ill.

Dear Sirs:

I want to thank you for my subscription to the Readers Digest and also for the January copy of the Shell Review.

I was very proud to learn of Shell being awarded the Army-Navy "E" flag and hope to be back working at Shell before too long.

Sincerely yours,
PRIVATE HAROLD H. LEMMON
Co. C, 532 Rept. APO 704,
c/o Postmaster
San Francisco, California.

March 18, 1943.

Shell Oil Company, Inc.,
Wood River, Illinois.
Dear Sirs:

I am taking this means in conveying my sincere thanks for the splendid assistance given for men who were former employees of your company who are now in the armed forces. All must certainly be grateful.

I do appreciate very much receiving the Readers Digest and the Shell Review.

Am enclosing my present address and a picture for the Review. Would like it returned with my next mail. Again I thank you!

Sincerely yours,
BENNY W. SONKSEN,
Fleet Air Wing 5 Hedron,
U.S.N.A.S.
Norfolk, Virginia,
care Paint Shop.

March 18, 1943.

Shell Oil Company, Inc.,
Industrial Relations Dept.,
Wood River, Illinois.

Dear Sirs:

Received the check for my Military Leave Allowance day before yesterday. I wish to thank you heartily for sending it. I don't think there is another company in existence that favors their employees in a manner which can in any way compare with that of Shell's. Their entire policy is tops! My one ambition is to work myself up if possible so that the amount of family allowance can be cut down if not done away with altogether. I don't think there is a man from Shell who is in the service thinks any different either.

You'll have to excuse this almost unreadable assortment of words but as you can well guess we don't have writing tables, etc., in the Army.

Thanking you again for the check and hoping to be with you soon again, I remain,

Sincerely,
Private PHILIP C. RUFF,
64th Cmi. Depot Co.,
3rd Prov. Regt., UTC,
Camp Sibert, Alabama.

March 19, 1943.

Shell Oil Company, Inc.,
Wood River, Illinois.
Gentlemen:

Just a note to let you know of my recent change in address. I'm now located in the windy state of Kansas. Enjoyed New York City tremendously and the three months I was there were well spent. My new address is:

Cpl. Vernon Oehler,
Co. "F," 79th Engineers
Combat Regt., U. S. Army,
Camp Phillips, Kansas.

Please forward the Readers Digest to my new address, and also the Shell Review. I enjoy them tremendously and look forward to each issue.

I read where the Shell received the first Army-Navy "E" to be given to any oil refinery. Congratulations to everyone and be sure to "Keep 'em Flying." It's something to be proud of and along with all the Shell employees, we in the service, too, are proud of your efforts.

Thanks again for sending me the Readers Digest and Shell Review.

Very truly yours,
Cpl. VERNON OEHLER.

Station Hospital,
1604th Service Unit,
Fort Brady, Michigan,
March 3, 1943.

Shell Oil Company,
Wood River, Illinois.
Gentlemen:

Since I have been in the Armed Forces of America, dating from April 25, 1941, I do wish to say to the Shell Oil Company and its employees that I have gained a wide range of experience and knowledge both in the Infantry and the "Flying Medics."

I enjoyed those good old hot marches while on maneuvers in 1941 in Tennessee, Louisiana and Arkansas. Sleeping with the snakes was wonderful, if you liked it. Sweating and sleeping in the rain and mud was a usual occurrence.

Now I have landed into the "Flying Medics." Have been in the Medical Detachment for approximately nine months. After these long hours of toil in the Medics I have accomplished much. I have gained a lot of experience in "First Aid" and am very proud. We have a grand group of Medical Officers, who are very brilliant and take a lot of interest in us.

My wife has been receiving family allowance from our great friend, "Shell Oil Co." dating from December 25, 1941. We want to thank Shell for all it is doing to help us. We shall do all we can to help Shell in all its efforts to help win the war. We, wholeheartedly, wish to congratulate Shell and its employees on winning the first Army and Navy "E" award. WONDERFUL WORK.

Sincerely yours,
Cpl. REX QUAKENBUSH,
Mrs. REX QUAKENBUSH.

March 15, 1943.

Shell Oil Company, Inc.,
Wood River, Illinois.
Gentlemen:

Pardon my delay in writing you. I have been so busy and unsettled up to the present time I have found it rather difficult to write you sooner.

I must say it was a great pleasure to hear of the company being awarded the Army-Navy "E." I am very proud to be able to say I was in the employ of such a grand organization. I know each and every employee of the refinery is very proud to have such an honor bestowed on them. I surely would like to have received one of the pins even though I'm not with you at the present time.

Now allow me to thank you for the help and support given to my wife and I. We appreciate this more than I can say. I also want to thank you for the nice Christmas gift from which I get many enjoyable hours of reading. I also want to thank you for such a nice Christmas card which I received from you. It certainly makes a fellow feel highly elated to know he rates enough with his employers to merit such generosity from them, and am looking forward to the day when I can return and take up where I left off.

Once again thanking you for everything you have done and are doing for me.

Very truly yours,
Pvt. GEORGE A. SINNIGER,
Hammond General Hospital,
U. S. Army, Medical Det.,
Modesto, California.

March 19, 1943.

Shell Oil Company,
Wood River, Illinois.
Dear Sirs:

I am returning the insurance form you sent me.

I should have written sooner to thank Shell and to say how much I appreciate the help they have given me since I have been in the service. I also would like to say I enjoy very much the Readers Digest and Shell Reviews I have been receiving.

I was pleased to read that Shell was the first oil refinery to receive the Army-Navy "E."

I am enclosing my picture.

Respectfully yours,
RAYMOND COBBEL, AMM-1c,
TS-17, N.A.S.,
Corpus Christi, Texas.

Dear Sirs: March 16, 1943.

I want to thank you very much for my first copy of the Shell Review dated January 17, 1943. I saw, soon as I opened the paper, where the refinery has been presented the Army-Navy "E." That is pleasant news to me, and I would like to congratulate both the Management and the rest of the employees. I receive the Readers Digest monthly and the boys in my barrack and company surely enjoy reading it too. I want to wish the Shell Management and employees good luck and keep up the good work.

Very truly yours,
Pvt. ENOS B. GALLION,
958th Airbase Security Bn.
Co. B, Bks-T-231,
Camp Campbell, Kentucky.

March 11, 1943.

Shell Oil Company,
Wood River, Illinois.
Dear Sirs:

I am taking this opportunity to thank you and the company for the Military Leave Pay which I received several days ago.

A large portion of it is going into Bonds to help the government buy more aviation fuel which the company is making and I am now using.

Sincerely,
A/C MICHAEL E. BEKESKE,
1127 Mound Avenue,
Jacksonville, Illinois.

March 19, 1943.

Dear Mr. Roberts:

I am taking the liberty of writing you a personal letter to thank you and the Shell Company for the very generous military service check that has been sent to me. This means a great deal to a man faced with the multitudinous expenses of breaking up house and buying uniforms for the Navy.

I am very well pleased with my new Navy life, especially with the fact that my wife and baby are only three hours away in New Haven! Nor do I mind that New York is just around the corner. It is really a shame that Shell hasn't a refinery in the Bronx!

Before very long I hope to be on active duty, and when that long-awaited moment arrives, I'll tell you all about it within the limits of Naval secrecy. Best regards to all the Shell people.

Sincerely yours,
KARL YOUNG, JR., Ensign USNR
Comp. 44, Billet 029, N.T.S.(1)
Fort Schuyler, Bronx, N. Y.

Shellites Speak A Language The Axis Understands

During 1942, Shell employees accumulated 16,823 tons of all-important scrap as Shell's contribution in the nation-wide drive. Shell's excellent showing has resulted in their program being set up as a pattern for others in the Petroleum Industry. Your concentrated efforts along with other oil men enabled the oil industry to finish high among the major industries of this country in that regard.

That is an enviable record. It is one that all of you can be proud to have had a share in. You may think that you've done all you can, but don't forget yours must be a continuous effort. Don't stop with a short time "Drive"—there can't be any time out in an "all-out" war.

Nothing is more necessary to War Production than scrap. Sustained steel production depends on a sustained supply of scrap. Every possible pound of steel is urgently needed for ships, planes, tanks, weapons and munitions to properly equip our growing Armed Forces and their Allies.

Scrap when combined with smelted iron contributes at least half of the resultant total tonnage of new steel. A scrap shortage will definitely limit mill production. Our boys in uniform must not be put on short rations of steel. We here at home can best prevent this from happening by maintaining the nation's scrap pile at full capacity level.

Since the immediate and easily accessible scrap has long been consumed, it is the less apparent scrap on which we will have to concentrate. All of our properties, operating as well as idle, must be cleared of obsolete and junk material. Take the time to go over all pieces of equipment, one by one. Cast a more searching and critical eye on the border-line material—old materials and old equipment that are being kept for the remote possibility of future use. Consider carefully whether their possible re-use value outweighs the country's urgent need for scrap—now. Salvage needed parts, but release the remainder.

As an idea of the size of the task with which we are confronted, the Industrial Salvage Branch of the War Production Board recently announced that the collection of iron and steel scrap must be maintained at a high level because thirteen million tons of scrap will be needed by the steel mills during the first six months of 1943. An average of sixty pounds of scrap per capita was recovered last year. More than double that amount will be needed this year. Every Shell employee must make that extra effort needed to surpass last year's record. The story behind our Country's recognized might is found in the multitude of small extra efforts made by its citizens and the fact that they can be depended upon to carry their share of the load.

Remember YOUR scrap made into bullets and bayonets is the language best understood by the Axis. Bring in plenty — we want to be certain we're heard.

South Pacific Island,
February 4, 1943.

Gentlemen:

I received the Shell Review a few days ago, dated Dec. 15. I certainly am glad to get any news from home and the old fellow workers. I have been on foreign duty for several weeks and my address has changed some. It is the same except my new A.P.O. number is 708.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank you for the Review and the subscription to the Reader's Digest. Hoping the day isn't too far distant when we may all be on our jobs again.

Very truly yours,
F. L. GUESS,
40th Service Squadron,
29th Service Group,
A.P.O. 708,
c/o Postmaster,
San Francisco, California.

U. S. Naval Air Station
Midway Island
Box 22

Shell Oil Company, Inc.
Wood River, Illinois
Gentlemen:

Just received my first copy of Reader's Digest and already I have made considerable progress toward complete persual of this issue. Up-to-date reading matter here is somewhat scarce so you can readily understand my complete appreciation of so appropriate a gift.

May I grasp this opportunity to sincerely thank you for your remembrance. It really helps in times like these to know that someone is thinking of you. I'm proud to be connected with Shell and am looking forward to being back with you before long. I never miss an opportunity to give Shell products a grand build up, as I know that we have the best and also, it is good job insurance.

May I state that I'm connected with fueling here, and I've noticed Shell gasoline and oil is in the majority here as most parts I've seen.

Thanks for all considerations and I'm sincerely hoping to see all of you soon.

Sincerely yours,
WM. W. NORMAN, SF3c

P. S. By the way, would you extend my regards and thanks to the Inspection and Experimental Laboratories.

February 10, 1943.

Dear Sirs:

I have enclosed a notice to the effect that I have been promoted to the rank of Sergeant. I am happy to be able to reduce my family allowance by this amount.

I received my first copy of the "Reader's Digest" today. It had followed me from Aberdeen, Maryland, to San Antonio and then to here.

I might also add that I really enjoy getting the Refinery paper. I really do like to read all the plant news and keep up with the happenings back at "Shell."

I was glad to see that the Wood River Plant got the Army-Navy "E." After being away for quite a while a fellow sure realizes that the Plant is a darn good place to be working. You can bet I'll be back at the old Main Gate just as soon as "Uncle Sammy" turns me loose.

Well, thanks for everything you've been doing for me and my wife. We both really appreciate it.

Sincerely yours,
Sgt. F. W. SEDEKUM.



The above picture shows a group of Shell employees taken recently during "open house" at the U. S. O. Center in East Alton. The newly formed Shell Girls Club meets here the second Monday night of every month.

Feb. 17, 1943
Avenger Field,
Sweetwater, Texas

Gentlemen:

I have completed and signed the papers for "Application for Family Allowance and am enclosing them herewith.

This allowance plan will go a long way to relieve one of the real problems of military service—the financial problem. I'm sure all Shell men in the service realize as I do what a tremendous welcome this allowance will be in meeting these financial problems.

I wish to thank Shell and all the men who are staying on the job doing their part the same as we who are in the service, and especially the Topping Department where I made many friends while employed by Shell.

It is with extreme pleasure to know and to be able to say "I worked for Shell."

Sincerely,

GEORGE R. BRENDEL

January 26, 1943.

Dear Sir:

Just to let you know of my change of address. It is: 2nd Spec. Batt., Co. A, Pl. 1, Port Hueneme, California. I'm expecting to be sent out soon; I don't know where to, though.

I would like to give my thanks to the Management of Shell Oil Company in person, but that's impossible to do, as I don't even get a leave long enough to get back home to see my folks.

My wife and daughter have come all the way with me, through all four camps, so the two months' pay which I received from Shell surely came in handy. I also received the payment to cover my insurance premium.

I certainly would like to come back to the Plant for a visit, but it just can't be done.

Your employee,

CHAS. WEBER.

Chas. Weber, S/1c,
2nd Spec. Batt., Co. A, Pl. 1,
Port Hueneme, Calif.

March 14, 1943.

Shell Oil Company, Inc.,
Wood River, Illinois.

Dear Sirs:

I have just received the first Shell Review that has been sent to me, and it was with great pleasure that I read it from front to back.

I wish to thank you and the company for all that you have done for me and my family. I left for service the day the Army-Navy "E" was presented, and I was very disappointed that I could not attend. I was also very proud to know that I was working for an oil refinery which was the first to earn and receive the honor and emblem in its field.

As they have kept me jumping ever since I have been here I have not had much time to write, but I will appreciate all letters sent to me and will answer same. I am sure that all men in service like to receive letters from those they worked for and with.

I am sure that you will keep 'em rolling and flying at home, and we will do our part here. As we are due to be shipped out in the near future I hope to hear from you and the men with whom I have worked. I must close thanking you again for everything and wishing you all the best of luck and good health.

Respectfully yours.

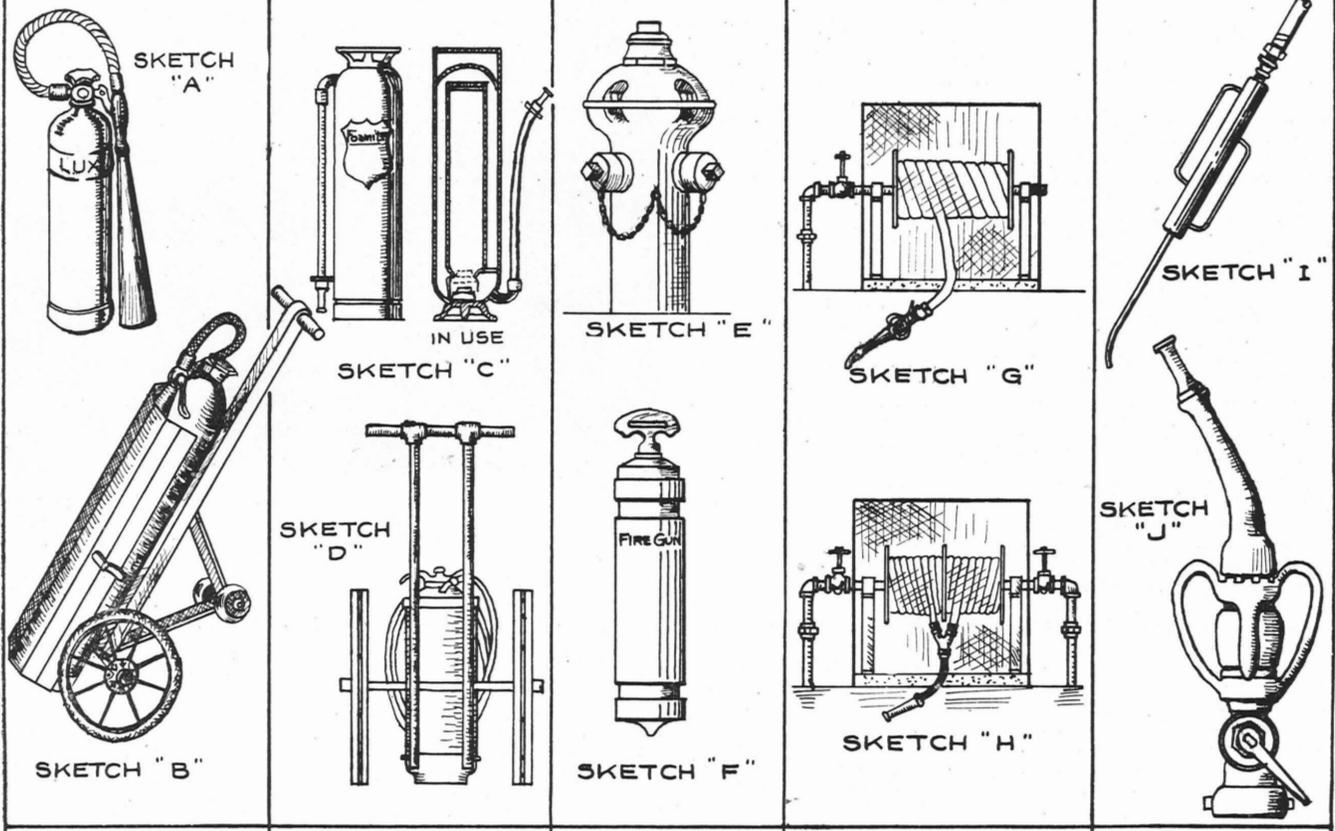
GLEN W. CRITCHFIELD,
USNCTC, Batt. 88, Co. A,
Plat. 3, Camp Endicott,
Davisville, Rhode Island.

NEW SHELL ATHLETIC CLUB OFFICERS



Left to right: Tanner Smith, Oscar Kleinert, Carl Davidson, Ray Brown and Joe Brien.

KNOW YOUR FIRE FIGHTING EQUIPMENT



"KNOW YOUR FIRE FIGHTING EQUIPMENT"

By TANNER SMITH.

In this drawing above, our staff artist, Ralph Graham, has sketched the different types of fire extinguishing equipment located throughout this refinery.

In this article we are going to explain when to use and how to use each of the above. For those of you who are already familiar with this equipment, we trust it will serve as a review. For those of you who are confused as to their proper use, we hope it will serve as a guide.

Sketches (A) and (B)—Sketch (A) illustrates the carbon dioxide (Lux) hand extinguisher; Sketch (B), the 50-pound carbon dioxide (Lux) cart extinguisher. Each may be used on any kind of fire, including electrical fires. Their only difference is in their size. Their vapors are **not** toxic. To operate, merely open the valve on the top of the extinguisher after pulling the lock pin out of the valve wheel. On the 50-pound CO2 cart extinguishers, an additional valve must be opened on the horn. For most effective extinguishment, point the opening on the horn as near the base of the flames as possible.

Sketches (C) and (D)—Sketch (C) illustrates the Foamite hand extinguisher; Sketch (D), the 40-gallon Foamite Engine. Each may be used on any type of fire except on electrical fires. **Never Use** foamite on electric motors or electrical equipment, since the water in the foamite solution will conduct the current back to your body. Foamite is most effective when used on a burning surface which is inclosed, such as a ves-

sel or a trench, since the foamite will then entirely blanket the burning surface and smother out the fire. Direct the foamite stream onto the walls of the vessel and allow the foamite blanket to slide gently down onto the burning surface, thus avoiding disturbance of the already formed blanket.

To operate these extinguishers, it is necessary to turn them upside down to allow the cap to drop away from the inner cylinder (as shown in the figure on the right of Sketch (c), so the sodium bicarbonate and aluminum sulphate solutions will mix and generate the foam. The hand extinguisher has no valve to open. The 40-gallon engine has one valve on top which must be opened. If they don't operate immediately, bounce the extinguisher a few times on the ground to jar the cap loose from the inner cylinder.

Sketch (F)—Sketch (F) pictures a carbon tetrachloride extinguisher. It may be used on any kind of fire including electrical fires. It is operated by pumping the handle at the top in and out. Do **not** use in an enclosed area where poor ventilation exists since the carbon tetrachloride upon contact with heat gives off a gas which is harmful to breathe.

Sketch (E)—Sketch (E) you will recognize as a fire water hydrant. The water from this plug may be used on any type of fire except electrical equipment or in a vessel containing a heavy viscous oil or asphalt. It may be used on electrical equipment only if the fire hose nozzle is over 30 feet away since the water from the nozzle is in that distance broken up into too fine a spray to conduct electricity. This is also true of foamite and steam.

When using a fire plug always keep the stem valve on the top of the plug either completely opened or completely closed—never partly opened. If you start to fasten a hose to a fire plug notice that one of the openings has an individual valve on it, always fasten your hose to the outlet without a valve, so that if someone comes up later to fasten a hose on this other plug outlet, he can do so without shutting the water off on the plug.

Sketches (G) and (H)—Sketch (G) illustrates a Quick Acting Water Reel; Sketch (H) a Quick Acting Foamite Reel. These reels are located around all of our Operating Units and, as the name implies, are ready for immediate use merely by rapidly pulling the hose off the reel toward the fire and opening the block valves. All the hose should be rolled off the reel before the block valve is opened, to avoid crushing the reel. To put pressure on the water reel, open the block valve in the ground alongside, as well as the valve on the riser.

To prepare the foamite reel for pressure, open a valve on the riser on each side of the reel. There are no block valves in the ground by the reel. Unlike fire water, foamite liquid is not put in the header line at all, unless the person in charge of fighting the fire phone in a request to the Pumper at Foamite Pump House No. 2 to do so.

Sketch (I)—Sketch (I) pictures a lance on the end of a steam hose. Steam is very effective in fighting a fire where the entire surface of the base of the fire may be covered and thus smothered out. It must **not** be used on electrical fires because of the conductivity of electricity of the moisture in the steam.

Sketch (J)—Sketch (J) is a drawing of the "One Man" water nozzle (Gilson nozzle) used with most of our fire water streams. Its use is desirable since one or two men can easily handle the nozzle. It is important to remember that when using the nozzle be sure to keep the curve in the nozzle either up or down and **never** sideways. When in position up or down, it is easily controlled; when held sideways, the pressure against it can easily knock a man down.

Be sure to keep the hose laying flat on the ground straight in back of you for at least 20 feet.

BOWLING SHOTS



Pictures taken at Acme Alleys during recent Shell Bowling Tournament.

"MAIN OFFICE NEWS"

By JUDITH DIETIKER.

We have been receiving very favorable reports on our three girls who have joined the Waves, namely, Elsie Foley, Helen Kasten and Ruth Hite. They all seem to enjoy navy life very much and are progressing rapidly in their work. Keep up the good work girls—we're all for you.

One of our former shipping department boys was in to see us recently, Leo Bethards, stationed in Brooklyn in the Merchant Marines, who was home on a short leave, said that it is really tough going and that he sure would like to be back—working at Shell. We hope that will be soon—Leo.

Miss Fay McWorther, head of our Filing and Mailing Department, has joined the U. S. Marine Corps and is waiting to be called. Best of luck, Fay, hope you like working for Uncle Sam.

The Shell girls have formed a club which will meet every second Monday of the month at the USO center at East Alton, Ill. At the last meeting election of officers was held and the results were as follows: President, Marian Teachout of Staff Personnel; Vice President, Judith Dietiker of Staff Personnel; Secretary, Jane Thatcher of Industrial Relations. We hope to make this club a big success and invite all Shell girls to participate. Anyone wishing to attend a meeting should contact one of the officers by at least the Friday before the meeting. These meetings are dinner meetings, 35c per person, to be turned in with reservation.

Several Shell girls met at the home of June McKean Friday, April 2 to honor Misses Ruth Armstrong, who has severed her connections with Shell, and Myrtle Frederick, who because of illness in the family, has temporarily given up her duties at Shell to become a grocery clerk. These two girls, after receiving several amusing gifts, such as a complete medicine kit for Ruth, a Worry Bird for Myrt, Hygiene Soap for both gals with a small bottle of perfume as a chaser, were showered with beautiful handkerchiefs. To top the program and add a grand finale, an appropriate poem for each honoree was read. These poems were prepared by our own James "Widdicombe" Riley and we think they really hit the spot. Sincerely, though, we wish these two girls the best of luck in their new ventures and take this opportunity of extending our heartiest good wishes for their happiness in the future.

LUBE COMPOUNDING AND SHIPPING

By J. O. CLARK

We are glad to see John Melvin back at the Compound House.

"Virge" Maering names his pet Boston Bull after a movie star he met in Hollywood. We won't give her name but Tondelayo is her alias and her initials are H. LaM.

We welcome Sally Farrell as a co-worker in the office of the Compound House.

St. Patrick's Day really had the attention at the Compound House this year. We now have a large gathering of Irishmen. Among them are Schildroth, Stassi, Johnson, Friedhoff, Niebrand and Henderson. Green was a prominent color among the above mentioned Irish.

Fred Taylor, local sports enthusiast and jeweler, wishes to announce that due to a little difficulty incurred during the recent basketball tournament, he will not repair any watches bearing the name Elgin. Taylor customers please take notice.

Harold Hanbaum feels very proud and lucky that he got through the 1942-43 basketball season with his shirt intact. Of course, at one time it was very badly torn, but that last minute splurge mended the tear quite sufficiently.

EXTRACTION PLANT

By H. D. CARTER

The gang from the Extraction Plant smoked cigars from Mr. Peter Paull and Mr. Harvey Lewis. Mr. Paull's boy's name is Peter Leonard and Mr. Lewis' boy was born on St. Patrick's Day so they named him after the Great Saint.

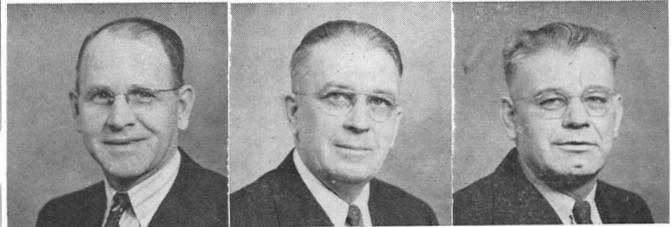
For fancy or plain tailoring see Mr. McNely, Extraction Plant. Mr. Hagy alias Alley Oop, future Mayor of Warden, will be glad to recommend him.

Ronnie Fleming assures the boys from the Extraction Plant that he is enjoying his stay with Uncle Sam's forces in Brooklyn.

Mr. Ward and Mr. Erdman have been off from work due to illness.

P-5 column was put in operation to make clarified raffinate. It seemed to work O. K. but it kept the recovery operators on the move. Besides the shuffle of feet, there were low moans and mumbling that could have been profanity. For interpretation of same, see recovery operators.

WOOD RIVER OLD TIMERS



Completing 20 years service: Top row—E. M. Meehan, Cracking Zone Supervisor; M. C. McManus, Asst. Pipefitter Foreman; H. J. Kopp, Cooling Water System; Bottom row—R. J. Leonard, Automotive Truck Foreman; H. J. Shewmake, Cracking Dept. Stillman; H. R. Raines, Topping Dept.

D & D PLANT

By EDWARD SCOTT

Mr. Chartrand has left us for military service. We all wish you the best of luck.

If you see Mr. Peter Paull with buttons off his vest their absence is due to the fact that he is proud father of a fine big boy.

What did Benny Hinman mean when he said Harry Nunnally hit the "jack-pot"!!!

Who is the operator trying to figure out how he can divide his port three ways since he has changed shifts?

There was a fine old couple who came from Arkansas to make their home in Wood River. Upon entering their new home they exclaimed over the fact that they actually had electric lights. They went from room to room turning them on and off. Upon entering one room, Pa exclaimed to Ma

"Look at the big wash bowl." Ma said to Pa "And look at the big pitcher next to the wash bowl. It has two covers even." Ma said "I know what I will do—the top cover we will use for a bread board and the second one, we can hang Grandpa's picture in it."

BARREL HOUSE

By P. C. BALOTTI

We have two Calhoun boys, who are sure they can take on any of those "apple knockers" in the Compound House for pennies, marbles or chalk. Just a warning though, compound house boys, they're pretty tough.

After a long absence we are happy to welcome back D. Henson.

Better hear "Bring 'Em Back Alive Wooten's" story first if you decide to a-hunting go.

Everybody is wondering what Raypole was doing behind those barrels.

..DOWN STRIKE ALLEY..

BY SIR SMITTY.

The Super Shell League stretch drive is a "honey." With only three nights left to play, six teams are bunched at the top with only four games separating all of them. The Crackers still hang onto the lead with the Laborers, Control Lab., Electricians and Machinists, Local 553, and Compound House right behind them.

The Laborers cracked loose recently with a neat single game of 990. They had a 1000 game all wrapped up until two of them missed in the tenth frame.

That fella Springer is sure pitching this year, topping the league with a 185 average. This is an improvement over last year of 14 pins which makes him high in that department also. What kind of breakfast food do you eat now "Bus"?

In these times it is important to turn a deaf ear to propaganda—especially such as the one about the Safety Department running in a "ringer" on the Industrial Relations. Why, such a thought never entered our minds. (Oh, NO!)

Some time ago we commented in this column that the Light Oil Treating Department was "Bowling Buggy." Well, it sure seems to get results, for take a look at this: Did you know—

- THAT Lt. Oil No. 1 team leads the Golden Shell League.
- THAT Lt. Oil No. 2 team is in second place.
- THAT Lt. Oil No. 1 has won 26 of their last 30 games—Two losses by only one pin each.
- THAT Lt. Oil No. 1 has team high single game of 955.
- THAT Holliday of Lt. Oil No. 1 has individual high average of 176.
- THAT H. Leamy of Lt. Oil No. 2 has individual high single game of 260.
- THAT S. Kennedy of Lt. Oil No. 2 has individual high three game total of 626.

As of the date April 15, 1943, this is the dope—It may not stick, but it is right "Down Strike Alley."

OLD TIMERS



Completing 20 years service: Left to right: R. L. Misegades, Topping Dept.; W. F. Hinderhan, Topping Dept.; T. E. Donahue, Cooling Water System.

AIR FUEL RATIO RESEARCH LAB.

By C. O. FARNSTROM

'Twas on the night of March 9, 1943 that 36 stags from the Research Laboratories stooped into E. C. Larsen's basement amid low hanging furnace pipes, coal dust and what have you to bid farewell to their good friend F. G. Dilzell, who was to depart from their midst the following day to accept a new position in the east. The evening was joyously spent at games of chance, including some heated games of ping pong, and all the while there could be heard a continual splurping of suds from the light lager and a bit of sipping of soda which was also present. After most of the money was owned by only a few, all the appetites were at least partially satisfied by the partaking of sandwiches with their appropriate trimmings. (Incidentally, the only ones who became particularly incensed during the evening were those who ate of the hot peppers furnished by V. Anastasoff). As the final farewell with best wishes were given Mr. Dilzell the galloping dominos could still be heard echoing throughout the room.

Again our loss is the U. S. Fighting Force's gain, as Clyde L. Lewis bid farewell to the Research Laboratories March 5th to begin his training with the Army Air Corps. Good luck, Clyde, and keep on giving out that smile of determination.

The Research Laboratories Cradle Roll membership committee has done quite well in obtaining new members for the scroll. The following new members have been enrolled: Carol Claire John (7 pounds, 10 ounces) daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. John, joined the ranks Feb. 10; Samuel Robert Gordon (6 pounds, 4 ounces), son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Gordon, signed his entrance papers on Feb. 19; Jane Ellen Doenges (7 pounds, 2 ounces), daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Doenges, answered the call Feb. 28; and then on March 16, Joan Arnette Texada (5 pounds, 12 ounces), daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arnaud Preet Texada, Junior, added her name to the list. And now as we go to press we learn of still another new member, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Heinz, born March 22, 1943. (Looks like we need more boys on the membership committee).

We extend our heartiest welcome to our latest co-workers or should we say co-workerettes?

Mrs. Verna Cannon, as keeper of the files in the P. A. D. office.

Miss Anne Drenovac, as a follower of the liquids up and down the colurns in the "still" room.

Mrs. Catherine Pruitt is the latest beauty to the Engine Lab., and after mentioning red hair and the necessary accessories we figure nuff said.

Welcome to the three damsels and best of luck.

We welcome Mrs. Lorraine Huerner to our Stenographic Department, but after seeing the picture of her husband the boys have been keeping out of her way. Its alright now, boys, as the first picture of her husband at the tender age of four, and he really was grown up when she took him for better or worse.

We wonder what John Boswell has that he can get his riders to wash the windows of his car while he gives them the old Navy-Army inspection. What gives Bonnie Long?

The lowest form of humanity in our estimation is the girl who broadcasts her birthday a week in advance and casts hints as to her likes and dislikes in preests. Too bad wasn't it, Violet Cister, that no one tumbled.

Tompach and Arbuthnot seem to be patronizing the same barber, and both are sporting G. I. hair cuts. It is chilly at first, but with the boss breathing down your neck, the lost hair isn't missed very much.

The boys got tired of being called up on the carpet by Greenshields, and not having any carpet in the office. So with the capable assistance of Baker, our wood-termite, a neat piece of carpet was presented to Bob, and now all chewings are taken in the proper manner.

Some people, when they reach the end of their usefulness ask to be retired, others want to be made a boss. Oh well, both mean the same thing.

Dr. George W. Waters has been transferred to New York, April 1st, and with his departure, the drill press market will be flooded with good used machines. Every change like this is welcomed by the Government.

St. Patricks Day saw the only two Irishmen in the Lab. sporting green shamrocks. Of course Tompach out 'did Muskopf by having on a green tie.

Friday night, March 5, the Research Laboratory held a party in honor of Dr. K. R. Edlund, whose departure to his new post at Shell Development took effect that day. The entire laboratory turned out to the gala affair, held at Vanzo's in Edwardsville. The highlight of the evening was the presentation of the farewell gift to Dr. and Mrs. Edlund, and the speeches made in presentation thereof. The affair was made hotter by the several Macedonian pickles consumed by the uninitiated. There is no need to say who led the jitterbugs, despite his age his gray beard, and the presence of his wife. Even the chief chemist was much jollier than his usual self. A number of pictures were taken, but we understand that these have been suppressed.

Dr. Edlund came to Wood River six years ago. It was under his leadership that the Research Lab. grew to its present place in the Shell organization. The Laboratory regrets his departure and will miss his inspiring personality and leadership. The entire group wishes him success at his new post.

Hebl:— I thought the doctor told you to stop all drinks.

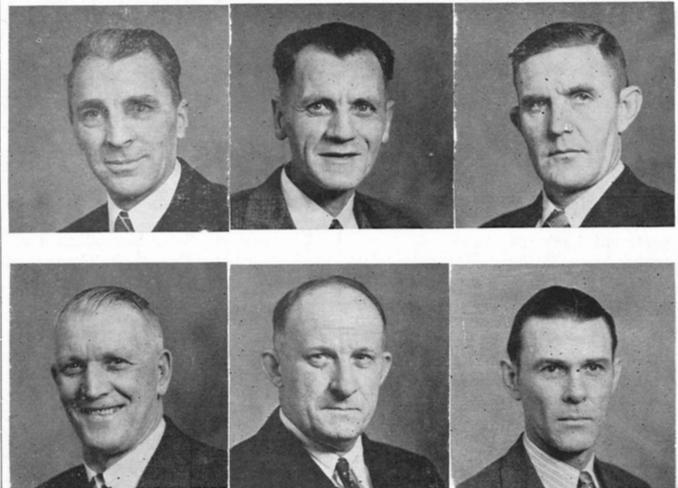
Bob:—Well what of it? You don't see any getting past me, do you?

The breeze was blowing very violently around 3C engine and the lady operator's dress was blown up around her neck. When the man standing near began to laugh, Dorothy irately said, "I see you are no gentleman."

"No, and I see you are not either," came Elmer's calm reply.

The pictures at the right show Dr. and Mrs. Edlund and a group of Research Lab. employees taken during the party for Dr. Edlund.

OLD TIMERS



Completing 20 years service: Top row—J. J. Balster, Toluene Plant; E. R. Schriener, Eng. Fld. Pipefitter; Chester Gowens, Eng. Field Pipefitter; Bottom row—Arthur Higgins, Eng. Fld. Labor Foreman; O. W. Kirkpatrick, Eng. Fld. Pipe Machine Operator; C. W. Condray, Boiler and Power Houses.

HOW TO GET THE MOST FROM RATIONING BOOK

How to get the most out of your point rationing book, not only for saving on point values, but for tempting meals and healthy nutrition as well, has been pointed out by the Office of War Information for the particular benefit of thousands of workers (and their wives) in the U. S. war and industrial plants.

Rule No. 1 OWI said, is to know your point values and map out your meals well in advance. List all the food you'll have to buy, then see how this list fits into the rationing picture. If you haven't enough points to buy the rationed food you would like to have, change some of your high-point items to lower point items, or else substitute non-rationed foods.

Rule No. 2: When you go to trade ration coupons for canned, frozen or dried foods, remember not to duplicate everything you can buy fresh. In this way you not only save coupons for items which you might later like to have better, but you help save easily-shipped processed foods for our fighting men and our fighting allies as well.

A third helpful idea, OWI said, is to learn everything you can about "point stretchers." Grain products, such as enriched bread, cereals and flour, and locally grown fresh vegetables and fresh fruits are still plentiful in this country. By learning their nutritional values, and how you can substitute them for other foods that are not so plentiful, you can still have varied, interesting and nutritiously balanced meals every day.

Fourth, OWI counseled, don't waste anything. Learn to use all the edible parts of every food item you serve, rationed and non-rationed. Then discover how to serve leftovers attractively and appetizingly. Soups, sandwiches, hash, dishes combined with other new food elements—these are only a few of the many ways to get the most out of leftovers, which with a little ingenuity and imagination, can prove not only good to eat but fun to concoct.

Under the fourth rule, against wasting, OWI listed several additional tips. One is, use all fruit juices. Liquids in cans and jars contain a good amount of the natural vitamins and minerals of the foods themselves. Vegetable liquids can be combined into gravies, sauces and soups. Fruit juices can be used as syrup with the fruits, or later as beverages.

A fifth suggestion in rationed buying, OWI pointed out, is to buy in the quantity most useful, and in the quality best suited to your purpose. Reading the labels on cans is a useful habit to acquire. Labels give facts on quantity, quality, ingredients and uses that may sometimes prove surprising and helpful.

Sixth, cook all fresh foods quickly, to hold vitamin content. Heat destroys some vitamins, particularly B and C. Canned vegetables are already cooked, hence they need only to be brought to the boiling point at the last minute, for serving hot.

"Budget" your ration coupons, plan ahead for meals, and you'll find, said OWI, that you have better things to eat, more time for yourself and more coupons for higher-point items when occasions demand them.

