

S.E.R.A. DANCE
ON JUNE 7th.

SHELL REVIEW

WOOD RIVER REFINERY

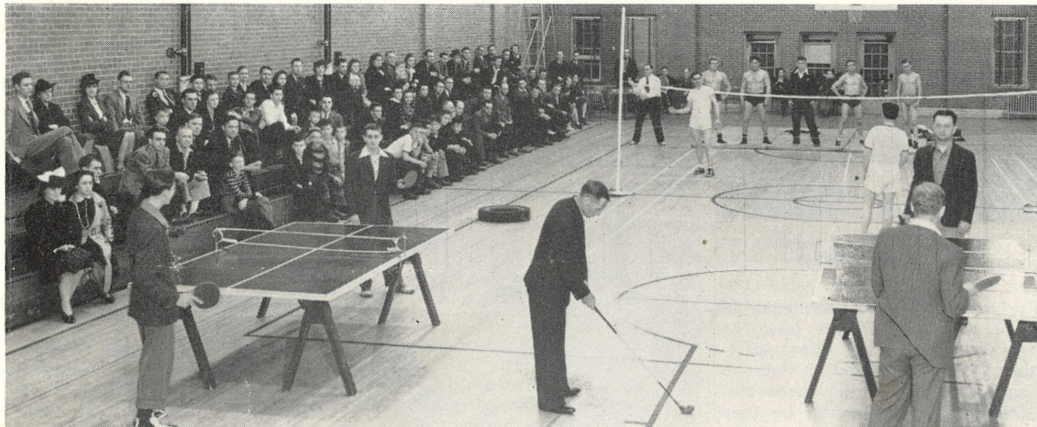
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THE RECREATION
ASSOCIATION?

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300 WITNESS S. E. R. A. SPORTS CARNIVAL



Over 300 Shell employees and their friends witnessed the Sports Carnival conducted by the Shell Employees Recreation Association at the Roxana Community Hall on April 30th.

Under the direction of D. A. Brazel, chairman of the event, various experts in the fields of wrestling, badminton, tumbling, ping-pong, fly-casting and golf, gave demonstration of their skill in these events. Both amateurs and local professionals participated in the exhibition. Some of the events included the following:

- 1—Amateur Wrestling—
Franklin Ralph vs. Don Le Claire, 165 lbs.
- 2—Tumbling Act—
Jr. tumbling team, Alton Y. M. C. A.
- 3—Table Tennis—
Stanley Rubenstein vs. Jack Fisher.
- 4—Instructions on Golf—
Chris Graves of Graves Driving Tee.
- 5—Table Tennis—
Stanley Rubenstein, Madison Co. champ, Alton City champ, Granite City champ vs. R. L. Lucas, Wood River Shell Refinery champ.
Jack Fisher, Madison Co. doubles champ, with brother as partner, vs. Clark Root, Wood River Refinery runner-up to the champ.
- 6—Plug Casting—Fly Casting—
Stanley Martin — Paul Johnson, Carl Nevin.
- 7—Badminton—
Edw. Ott, Alton Y. M. C. A. vs. Louis Smith, Alton Y. M. C. A.
- 8—Wrestling—
a—Amateur—
Emil Warner vs. Homer Arbuthnot.
b—Professional
George Hagan vs. Whitey Whitler.
(1) Exhibition of professional holds.
(2) 10 min. exhibition professional wrestling.

Service Club Meeting To-nite

The Shell Service Club will hold their second quarterly meeting, Wednesday, May 15, at 7:30 P. M., in the Roxana Community Building, Roxana, Illinois.

Service Emblems will be awarded to new 10, 15, and 20 year men. Also Major Harrington W. Cochran of the U. S. Army, will give an interesting address entitled "Defending America". Major Cochran will also present several interesting motion pictures entitled: "Blitzkrieg in Poland", "Finland Fights", and "The Sinking of the Graf Spee".

Arrangements have also been made to present the President's Medal National Safety Council, to Mr. W. D. Bates. Certificates will also be presented to Messrs. Ray Randels and Stanley Martin. These awards are being made for their successful resuscitation of Darrell C. Jewett, a fellow employee, on December 13, 1939.

Following the meeting, refreshments will be served by the club.

All Service Club members are invited and urged to attend this meeting, which should be very interesting.

One Billion Dollars Annual Gasoline Tax

The American gasoline tax was twenty-one years old last February 25. It was on that date in 1919 that the first gasoline tax, levied by the legislature of Oregon, became effective. Since then motorists have paid out \$9,000,000,000 in gasoline taxes and are currently paying \$1,000,000,000 a year. At first, the rate was one cent a gallon while the average tax

Accidents Are Mistakes

Since the last issue of the "Shell Review" two employees of this refinery have experienced disabling injuries, on the job while two others were seriously injured outside of the refinery, resulting in pain, suffering and financial loss for these employees.

An accident is an unplanned, unscheduled, and an unexpected event. It is usually a mistake. There is a way of preventing practically every known type of accident if we are alert and smart enough to find it.

Most accidents are man-made, or at least, man contributes to their cause, therefore, if we control the cause of accidents, we have gone a long way toward preventing them. When they occur on the job they usually reflect failure of the worker and of supervision. They also indicate work done, in most cases, in an incorrect manner.

A well organized, systematically planned and orderly job, directed by the foreman who is interested in the welfare of his men, and handled by a thoughtful and competent worker will result in work being efficiently and correctly done and in a safe manner.

today is 5.42 cents per gallon. The coming of age of the gasoline tax brings mixed emotion to American motorists. The gasoline tax has been credited with "pulling America out of the mud" and motorists generally are believed to favor it in reasonable amounts for road-building purposes. The tendency to pile it up in excessive amounts, and to use the funds for unrelated purposes, on the other hand, has resulted in a growing protest.

S.E.R.A. Dance June 7th

The Shell Employees Recreation Association will hold a dance on Friday, June 7, 1940, at the Pla-Mor Ballroom.

George Fries and his ten-piece orchestra will furnish the music. Dancing is from nine until one.

Tickets will be sold to friends and non-members at one dollar per couple. **Members of the S.E.R.A. will be admitted without charge by presenting membership card at the door.**

Make up your party now and make table reservations at the Industrial Relations Department.

Workers Better Off Than In 1929

The average industrial employee is better off today than in 1929, according to figures recently released by the National Industrial Conference Board. The average worker puts in 19% less hours for the same income today than he did in 1929. The buying power of the average worker's earnings is 16% higher than in 1929. Average hourly earnings of industrial workers today are 23.2% higher than in 1929.

Of course, if these higher hourly earnings are to be maintained, and shorter hours worked, it is essential that output per man per hour keeps pace with increased hourly wages. Otherwise increased cost of production will wipe out all gains in earnings, and the average buying power of the wage dollar will go down.

—From Glen Gardiner.

Are You?

Boosting Shell to your friends and acquaintances? Remember, a boost for Shell will help your job.

Thinking of ways and means to reduce waste and costs in your department?

Watching the welfare of yourself and fellow employees by being constantly safety conscious?

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It isn't all study, even in college:
Father (to son home from college)—We have not been getting good reports about you.

Son—But, Dad, I burned the midnight oil through the whole term.

Father—Oil? What I got was a bill for gasoline.

THE GRAPEVINE

What sweet young thing has been going to lunch with what construction timekeeper? Honestly, that's all we know about it!

Allene Vogeler recently took a trip into the refinery to see how oil was made. Upon her return she was asked what single thing impressed her the most about the refinery. She replied, "A big pair of beautiful brown eyes in the Lab Office".

It is a known fact that most hospitals boast that they never have lost a father. However, a local hospital had an experience with a certain young man from the Pay Roll Department. After hours of pacing up and down the hospital corridors, the young man on being informed that he had become the father of a son, passed completely out. However, the latest reports from said hospital were that Father and Son are doing fine.

What caused the sudden exodus to East St. Louis after the Cracking Department party?

George Adams and Walter Schwartz recognize April as the outstanding month of the year. Why?—because they became proud fathers of baby boys during that month.

Highlights of the Pipefitter's Dance:

Howard French table dancing.

Jim Moran doing the "Johnston County Back-step".

"Heavy" Henderson drove home himself.

Someone playing with Steve Maher's hair.

Jack Creekmore selling the same flower four times to the same fellow.

Curtis Paulfrey traded his mule in on a new Pontiac the next day.

Bill O'Hair flirting with all the gals.

What does Carl Steiner have that we don't have? Honestly, it's quite an honor to be selected as a dream-man in a crowd of a hundred handsome men.

Dale Loeb has become quite intimate with the St. Louis Police Department over an alleged traffic violation. Dale protested loudly and vehemently against the injustice of said law enforcement bureau. Finally, through the combined efforts of the Governor, Boss Pendergast and Eleanor Roosevelt he was loosed to again become a traffic hazard. (I'll bet this one will cost me!)

OLD TIMER



Paul Southard

Paul started in the labor gang in May, 1920. One month later he was transferred to the Car Department. In a way, Paul can claim to be one of the first men to set foot on the refinery ground, as he used to plow the ground and put up hay on the very site on which this refinery was built.

Paul is quite a nimrod, as when the hunting season is on he keeps all of his neighbors supplied with quail and duck. During the off season he raises fancy chickens as a sideline.

Paul is firmly convinced that Shell is a good company for which to work. He states that his supervisors at the Car Department have always been very just and that the conditions under which he works are very enjoyable.

A young woman who has recently taken charge of a kindergarten, says the New York Sun, entered a trolley car the other day and, as she took her seat, smiled pleasantly at a gentleman sitting opposite. He raised his hat, but it was evident that he did not know her. Realizing her error, she said, in tones audible throughout the car, "Oh, please excuse me. I mistook you for the father of two of my children." She left the car at the next corner.

OLD TIMER



H. Cleatus Henry

"Clete" as he is known in the refinery, joined the ranks of Shell employees one bright sunshiny day in May, 1920. His first job was as a water boy in the Car Department. There was a ball diamond at that time located just back of the Boiler House, and as Clete was very "baseball-conscious", the foreman spent a good part of his time each day running over to the baseball field to locate Clete.

Clete may have been a good baseball player at one time, but there is no disputing his terpsichorean talent. Several demonstrations at functions have earned the title of champion torso-tosser of Madison County for him. Clete has been very active in the Shell Club and during his twenty years of service at this refinery has made a host of friends. Most of his spare time is spent either tinkering around home on various mechanical gadgets or fishing up the Illinois river.

Clete says that he has enjoyed his service with the company and that his twenty years of service has passed very quickly, due to his pleasant association with his supervisors and fellow employees at the Car Department.

"Com-pa-nee atten-shun", bawled the drill sergeant to the awkward squad. "Com-pa-nee, lift up your left leg and hold it straight in front of you". By mistake one member held up his right leg, which brought it side by side with his neighbor's left leg. "And who is the galoot over there holding up both legs?" shouted the hard-boiled sergeant.

Barrell Reconditioning

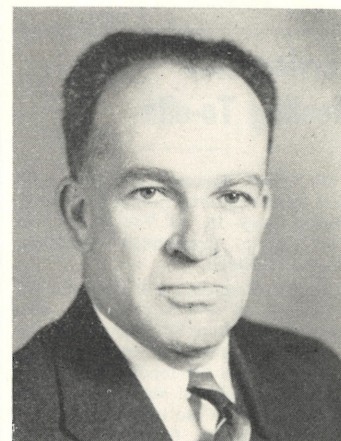
M. E. BUCHANAN

The boys around the barrel house have been complaining about a certain red-headed shift worker, who does his wife's washing, even on the grave yard shift. If this is allowed to go on all the married men may have to do the same because such news travels fast. Who is it? Could it be Red Mayberry?

We have lost a good man lately, as Slats has left us for the Dubbs. We all sincerely hope he likes his new work and that he has found some one over there who will do his work as we did around here. How about it Slats?

Speaking about doing other people's work, we are thinking of giving Mike Barach a leave of absence just to see if he would be missed. Joe Stricklin says he would not miss him as he has been doing Mike's work for some time now.

OLD TIMER



Grover C. Almon

Grover was in the midst of the fighting on the Western front during the last World War. After the signing of the armistice, he returned to this country, where he spent the following year and a half "seeing America".

In May, 1920, he obtained a job at this refinery in the labor gang, from which he was transferred to the Topping Department several weeks later. At that time only four Topping Units were in operation. A large watermelon patch surrounded the units, and the operators vied with each other in seeing who could consume the most melons per shift.

Grover is a Nimrod, an Isaac Walton, and a horticulturist. Besides being an expert in these lines, Grover is justly proud of his family as he has a son attending Illinois U., a daughter in training at Alton Memorial Hospital, and another daughter attending high school.

Grover says that his associations and friendships that he acquired here have been very pleasant and he is appreciative to the company for the very pleasant working conditions he has enjoyed while working here.

Mr. G. C. Cunningham Transferred to Houston



His many friends in the refinery are missing the good fellowship of Mr. G. C. Cunningham, Assistant Superintendent, who has been transferred to the Houston Refinery.

"Clem", as he was known to his colleagues, was well-known and liked throughout the refinery. Some of the old-timers may recall his early service here in the plant prior to his first transfer to Houston. Due to his specialized knowledge, his services have been much in demand by the various refineries which have kept him on the jump in recent years.

The Shell Club and staff members tendered him a farewell dinner at the Mineral Springs Hotel on April 23rd. After a brief skit depicting his business life, the Shell Club presented him with a desk pen set and the staff members with a car radio.

While we all join in expressing our regret that he must leave Wood River, we sincerely wish him a very happy life at the Houston Refinery.

Lube D. & D.

E. SCOTT

We welcome Mr. James Hedgecock back on the D. & D. gridiron.

One of our players, Mr. Chartrand, is still on the sidelines, but we hope to have him back in the game soon.

It was rumored that The Little Man With The Bow and Arrow was chasing Benny Hinman around the corner.

Some one suggested that if lanterns could be furnished for use in the South parking lot at night it might prove useful, and if it was a rainy night two such lanterns would be better—"One by land, or two by sea."

Patent Applied For—the secret formula used in making our fly ash—to be used as a national defense.

Scientists have grown bean sprouts 10 inches high in 4 days, string beans as long as your arm, tomatoes weighing as much as 22 lbs. and ears of corn that would feed an entire family.

Any number multiplied by 9 can be reduced to 9. Example: 9 times 7 equal 63 (6 plus 3 equal 9); 9 times 63 equal 567 (5 plus 6 plus 7 equal 18—1 plus 8 equal 9).

New Employees

The employees of this refinery welcome the following new employees to their midst:

Control Laboratory: H. H. Lemon, R. D. Pinkerton, C. G. Elliott.

Treating Light Oil: W. J. Moore.

Cracking Cleanout: E. Riva, C. L. Bartels, R. A. Hammond, J. Gagliardo, C. M. Immer.

Eng. Field: R. J. Frederick, C. S. Krispin, W. T. Nicholson, G. W. Spies, E. J. Schwing, O. D. Robinson, V. D. Bradley, M. E. DeWeese, W. Obermoeller, F. Fountain, C. A. Cieslak, T. H. Burns, A. G. Galloway.

Ldg. and Unldg. Lt. Oil: L. A. Stamps, R. C. Niepert, H. F. Laycock, F. C. Been.

Lube Vacuum: W. H. Anderson, R. R. Lakin, M. M. Emery.

Topping: G. C. Opel.

Crk. V. P.: G. C. Sullivan.

Research Lab.: R. L. Ortginisky, J. L. Jackson.

Engr. Office: F. S. McNeil.

Ind. Relations: Miss A. E. Dial.

Main Office: Miss E. M. Foley.

Miss R. I. McClew, W. H. Vorwald.

Lite Oil

S. KENNEDY

The recent bowling banquet held by the bowlers of Lite Oil at the "Garden Gate" was largely attended by the bowlers and their wives. Mr. Jack Ashlock demonstrated the art of eating fried chicken as recommended by Emily Post. After the dinner a bowling match was held between the two Lite Oil teams resulting in Mr. L. B. (leading bowler) Smith men defeating the Ace bowlers of No. 1 team.

Lee Kennedy, a successful candidate in a recent election, is making plans to spend his vacation in Washington, D. C.

We have noticed some green books and some green eyes around Lite Oil recently.

Anyone wishing to enter the Memorial Day auto races are advised to secure the services of Lawrence Bean as he may prove to be another "Galahadion". Mr. Bean's speed record may be secured at the St. Louis police dept.

Engine Lab Backfires

C. O. FARNSTROM

Buck Watts, the agriculturist, was trying to milk a cow the other day. Bossy was feeling temperamental and gave Buck a sound kicking. Perhaps those new electrical farm appliances had given the cow ideas and she was just trying to produce a kilo-watt.

The sailor home from a cruise rows a boat in the park lagoon, the truck driver goes for a drive on his day off, the Engine Lab holds a Mileage Marathon for amusement. The big event is scheduled for Saturday, May 25. Already the Lab has worked itself into a dither. One hears incessant talk of rear end ratio, distributor setting, carburetor setting, compression ratio, overdrive, etc. Rumors are rampant as each entrant tries to discover the tricks of his competitors while divulging as little information about his own machinations as possible.

This year's Marathon will be bigger and better than before. Mr. A. B. Culbertson of the Manufacturing Department, Mr. J. E. Jury of the Lubricating and Industrial Oil Department, both of St. Louis, and Mr. L. A. Lohman well known to all Wood Riverites, will judge the contest. With such a distinguished bench the results of the Marathon will be unimpeachable, we hope.

F. P. Baggerman, our debonair racing enthusiast, was an interested spectator at the opening night of midget races at Walsh Stadium. His description of the sturdier chassis, improved lines, beautiful paint job and ease of maneuverability of the 1940 models is very vivid. Baggy, however, can't tell who won the race and neither can Baron Von Mayrhooser's date. The human race must have won bachelor Baggerman's attention.

Alonzo Q. Bowman, known for his athletic prowess, was out last Saturday night demonstrating (or something) to his girl friend. The result was that the girl friend sustained a fractured rib. Now Alonzo, in turn, is getting a ribbing.

The Baron von Mayrhooser (Benno to his intimates) received at the Lab the other day a very highly scented blue envelope, addressed in a feminine hand. The Baron was moved to make some rather caustic comments concerning American womanhood. What the Baron did not know was that the aroma of the envelope very strongly resembled Shell Fly Spray scent.

Jack had just been informed by his gov'nor that he was spending twice as much money at college as he should. "Son", remarked the Guv, "I know you're spending it on whiskey and women. I don't mind your fooling with one of these, but you can't keep up the pace with both. You've got to cut one of them out absolutely." "All right, Dad, I'm willing. Which one would you advise me to cut out?" The old man thought in silence for a moment and then said, "Son, you can drink all the whiskey you want when you get old".

Lube Vacuum

KARL HAMMACK.

Would You Believe It?

The largest number in our system of mathematics is a "vigintillion"; which is a numeral followed by 63 zeros.

A new employee at the Asphalt Plant is Virlin Virgil Virgin. Each of the three names begin with VIR.

Vacuum Plant

O. J. McNEILLY

Have you noticed that "military carriage" John De Cota has developed lately? A tug at the belt and the stomach "goes over the top".

We have heard of people being in hot water, but Pete Weber went ankle deep in a puddle near the cafeteria recently. That's giving Ole Pete the hot foot.

Chicken raisers should consult "Brooder" Burkhardt of the Filter House about keeping baby chicks under the brooder. Ask him!

A certain company advertises "Ask the man who owns one", so-o-o-o ask Wiley Leavell.

This is the way we heered it. "She is so modest that she slapped the census taker's face when he asked her occupation".

Boss—"How long do you want to be away on your honeymoon?" Junko (timidly)—"Well, sir—er—how long would you say?"

Boss—"How do I know. I haven't seen the bride".

An adult is a person who has stopped growing at both ends and started growing in the middle.

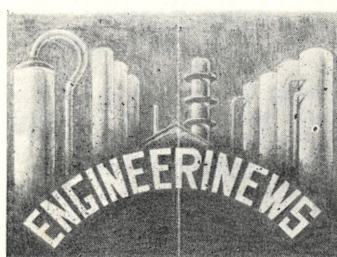
INFORMATION, PLEASE

Can you answer the following eleven questions:

1. How much did accidents cost your department last month?
2. Are there any unsafe ladders in your department?
3. Are there any unsafe tools or equipment in your department?
4. Is all material piled safely?
5. Are all portable electric cords and their connections in safe condition?
6. Can you perform artificial respiration?
7. Are rope slings and chains in good condition?
8. Are safety shoes worn where needed?
9. Do you know how to use the various fire extinguishers in your department?
10. Are you thoroughly familiar with procedure in case of fire?
11. What devices or methods would help make your work area safer?

Maybe all of these "brain teasers" do not apply to your job, but if you can't answer them, I'm not so sure that your department is the safest place in which to work.

From: GLENN GARDINER.



Anyone interested in making a fortune, should consult with G. B. Barsla, valve repairman. Barsla, who lives in Missouri, is going to become wealthy raising chickens as soon as he can find a suitable farm in Illinois. It is strange that no suitable farms are available in the Prairie State at present.

Imagine Wilbur F. Stevens' delightful surprise when discovering Norm Meyers of the Construction Office among his serenaders when "Happy Birthday" was sung for Steve in celebration of the occasion at a local cafe.

Julius Brown's becoming a "hold out" in the Not-so-good Soft Ball League has led to the discovery of a star catcher in the person of Clarence Unger. Unger was switched from third base to catch and promises to be the sensation of the League this season.

Collecting miniatures may soon become a hobby with R. K. Cooper, valve repairman. His most recent acquisition is a new Bantam automobile of which he is very proud. Cooper also has a pony, and speculation has it that the pony yields more miles per pound of fuel than does the Bantam. Could it be that Cooper hasn't learned the fine points about operating the machine?

N. Y. Fitzhugh, truck driver, is recovering from the mumps.

One day last week a sleepy-eyed Doc Towell slouched into the Inspection Office, mumbling about an open window and his baby daughter. Further questioning revealed that Doc had gotten out of bed to close a window and waked the baby in doing so. She thought it was time to eat and from then until daybreak Mistress Towell tried to convince Doc. We are sure you can find plenty of sympathy in the plant, Doc.

We never realized the value of personal supervision until we watched Mark Lambert at work recently. He was supervising the moving of office equipment from the Construction Office to the Main Office, and during the procedure a glass in one of the doors was broken. Before the last piece of shattered glass tinkled on the floor, Mark burned a path to the telephone; within an hour the damage was repaired. Such service!

If you want a big smile from Earnie Nordstrom just hold up one finger and look at him—any finger will do. A week ago last Saturday "Nord" made a hole-in-one on No. 5 at Muny. Nice work fella! But it was too bad you couldn't have played the second nine.

Topping Row

H. E. MCCARTHY

Grover Almon has re-entered the Veterans' Hospital at Jefferson Barracks, for medical treatment. Grover will be absent for several weeks so he would appreciate hearing from the boys.

"Now that I am up on this end, I've got to have justice" says "Red" Jenkins—"just-as" many fancy togs (plus a green tie) as the rest of the Juniors.

The arrival of little Anne Elizabeth at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Fox, Jr., on April 14, was the occasion for the cigars given out by Henry.

"Where was 'Jazzbo' Payne when the Photographer Man visited Topp. 4—We know, don't we Rees?"

Jim Young, the coffee-making poet of the South Section of Topp. No. 1 (formerly Topp. No. 2) yelled "Hey! Mike. Shoot me a connection for the south section".

Ray Misegades is just sitting back watching that garden grow. Tough life, eh! Ray?

Henry Schwab hasn't figured out (on his slide rule) what became of the other 2 handles to the new "3 in 1" rake at Topp. 4.

Guess who's the chief "Piler" at the Naptha Pilot Plant.

If you think **this** stuff is corny, you should see the cobs from which it came.

Vox Pop

Mr. Editor:

Why can't the men in the refinery be given the advantages of a quality hot lunch at a reasonable price as employees of other industrial plants in this vicinity? I believe that cold, dry lunches are the cause of many stomach ailments, upset the nervous system, and lead to other ailments. How about this, Dr. Baker?

A good, hot lunch could be sold for twenty-five cents, and I am sure a number would prefer this to bringing their own cold lunch. Perhaps if others expressed their views we could get some action and good warm lunches at reasonable prices.

O. J.

Mr. O. J.:

I agree that a hot lunch is better than a cold one, but did you know that you can get a hot lunch at the Cafeteria for 25 cents? Many of the employees do this.

The Editor.

Mr. Editor:

Noticed in the Review where the Main Office Unit of the Recreation Assn. were sponsoring a dance (plug) and had engaged a "full orchestra of 14 pieces".

If the dancers were only "half full"—Whoops, what a party!

A Reader.

Mr. Reader: Whoops—it was!

The Editor.

EMPLOYEES' RECREATION ASSOCIATION

OFFICE TAKES GOLF MATCH FROM ENGINEERS.

The office workers "overwhelmed" the Engineers in an 18-hole golf match played at the Alton Muny Course on Saturday, May 11, by a score of 20-13. Individual prizes were won by Hornsey for low medal and most pars; MacDuff, low putts; Al Meyers, most holes won; Bloom, high score.

PIPEFITTERS AND REFORMERS IN TITLE ROLL-OFF.

The bowling championship for 1939-1940 will be at stake this week as the Pipefitters, winners of No. 1 League, meet the Reformers of No. 2 League in a 5-game match. The Pipefitters took first place in the second half and earned their way to the championship match by taking three out of four games from the Industrial Relations, winners of the first half. The Reformers also won by three out of four games from the Laborers, winners of the first half in No. 2 League.

The final roll-off is scheduled for Wednesday, May 15, at the Acme Alleys.

INDUSTRIAL SOFTBALL TONIGHT.

The first game of the Industrial League will be played tonight with our refinery team opposing Laclede Steel at the Water Tower diamond in Alton. The game is scheduled for 8 o'clock; we hope there will be a crowd of rooters for your team.

REFINERY SOFTBALL SEASON OPENS

The Championship and Not-So-Good plant leagues got under way last week for a 28-week schedule. Games are played Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, at the North Property diamonds, beginning at 5:15 p. m. All employees are invited to witness these games.

Warehouse

MARGARET TATE.

Harlan Prosser has a new way of building a fence—he puts up the gate first and then builds the fence around it. The lone gate standing in his yard caused quite a bit of confusion among the neighbors we hear.

Dula Heuer receives the prize for the boomerang of the month—recently upon her birthday some kind hearted person sent her a candy bar. Thinking this was just a dummy candy bar instead of the real thing, she promptly presented it to one of her fellow workers, but much to her dismay the lad enjoyed the bar to the greatest extent. Afterwards she claimed she wasn't hungry.

C. V. Brown is spending his vacation at his home in Edwardsville.

A political clique was formed in the Salvage Yard during the recent election for the Warehouse picnic committee. One member each from the Salvage Yard, front and back Warehouse were to be chosen. When the ballot returned the Salvage Yard had unanimously voted for Wilson, Engle and Nieman—all of the Salvage Yard. Upon being told that their machine tactics wouldn't be allowed in the picnic committee election they decided to run Rastus Engle for Sheriff on the platform of "Stronger beer and wider sidewalks" in the next general election.

Did You Know - -

That eleven large western railroads will inaugurate a new travel service May 1? This service will provide automobiles for the use of railroad passengers at more than 150 key points of interest.

That a new winter overcoat for tender plants has been developed? It is a petroleum-alcohol emulsion which can be sprayed on buds, leaves, and branches. On drying it is reported to insulate the plants against freezing temperatures.

That Sir George Cayley, a news commentator of 1809, in writing of the forerunners of the internal combustion engine said "that an engine would be produced operated by a gas-light apparatus, and by firing the inflammable air generated with a portion of common air under a piston?"

That, after an automobile is built, tax collectors during its lifetime collect \$4 for every \$1 that was paid workmen for building the car?

The petroleum industry invests about \$490 for every motor vehicle on the roads of the United States in order to assure a continued supply of motor fuels, lubricants and asphaltic highway materials?