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LARGE CROWDS TOUR REFINERY ON PLANT VISITATION DAYS

A total of 950 employees, members of their families and other relatives visited the refinery as guests of the Management on the following three Saturdays: October 19, October 26, and November 2. Tours were made in Wood River-Alton buses, which made several stops in the refinery where the visitors were allowed to leave th buss to obtain a closer view of some of the refinery units. Guides assigned to each of the tour groups explained the functions of the various operating units and gave other inter esting facts about the Refinery during the course of the trip.

The tours were started at 9:30 a. m., 11:00 a. m., 1:00 p. m., and 2:30 p. m. Three buses were used on each tour on the first two Saturdays and on the third Saturday four buses were used on each of the four trips through the plant

Following each tour, the visitors were served refreshment in the Refinery Cafeteria. See page 4 for picturs of some of the groups who visited the plant.

Shell Employees Pledged $3514.05 to Community Chest

In the Community Chest drive recently conducted in the Refinery under the auspices of a Steering Committee, a total of $3514.05 was pledged by Shell employees.

The Steering Committee, composed of Company and Union representatives, and headed by H. A. "Bob" Warren, selected the solicitors who canvassed the employees in the various departments. The members of the Steering Committee were: H. A. Warren, Chairman; J. A. Eilenberger, John Martin, H. C. Grammer, I. F. Killam, P. W. Carnes, E. W. Bryant, R. J. Greenshields, J. M. Wilson, J. K. McKenzie, William Keller, G. A. Lorenz, O. A. Kleinert and R. H. Hord.

See page 6 for list of how much each department contributed.

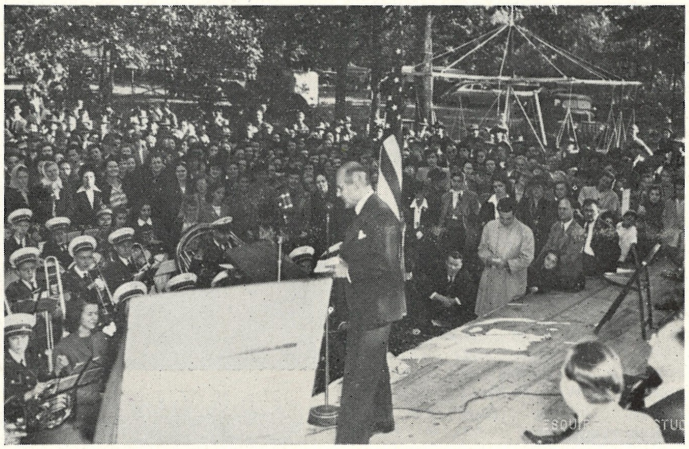
THANKSGIVING DANCE

The Shell Athletic Club will sponsor a Thanksgiving Dance at Collinsville Park Ballroom on Tuesday, November 26, for all. Shell employees and their friends. Dancing rhythms will be furnished by the well-known Johnny Phillips and his eleven-piece band direct from a forty-week engagement at Evergreen Gardens. He will play from 9:00 p. m. to 1:00 a. m.

For added entertainment and pleasure, the Men's Quartet of the

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DOOLITTLE, MISSOURI



Located on Route No. 66, 100 miles southwest of St. Louis is a little town that proudly boasts a new name. On October 11 General Jimmy Doolittle, Vice President of Shell Union, flew to Missouri to fulfill a two year old promise by being present at the dedication ceremonies which officially changed the community's name from Centerville to Doolittle, Missouri.

Early in 1944 a group of citizens in the Ozark mountain foothills region of Missouri banded together to incorporate their community and name it for the famous airman. The General's address was a top military secret for he was then commander of the world's largest strategic bombing force. The citizens wrote to him in care of the War Department, Washington, D. C., to advise him of their action and invited him to participate in the official dedicatory ceremonies. Not long afterwards the General replied from England, thanking them for the honor and stating that when his current business was finished and conditions permitted he would be happy to attend the ceremonies.

General Doolittle left the Army in January of this year and returned to Shell.

Friday, October 11th was the first mutually satisfactory date that could be arranged, and as A. R. Cook, the Mayor of Doolittle said, "We may not be on all the maps yet, but we have a good name and lots of enthusiasm."

SHELL CHRISTMAS PARTY
December 23

The officers of the Shell Service Club have announced that they will sponsor a Christmas Party for all employees and their families to be held at the Wood River High School on Monday, December 23, at 7:30 p. m.

Before the war these parties, which were sponsored annually by the Service Club, were considered one of the big events of the year. At the last party, held in 1941 at the Wood River High School, a capacity crowd attended.

Bud Chappell, Chairman of the Committee, says there will be entertainment for both young and old; also treats for the children. So, watch the bulletin boards for further announcements of this gala event.

THANKSGIVING

For all that God in mercy sends:
For health and strength, for home and friends,
For comfort in the time of need,
For every kindly word and deed,
For happy thoughts and pleasant talk,
For guidance in our daily walk,
For all these things, give thanks.
For beauty in this world of ours,
For verdant grass and lovely flowers,
For songs of birds, for hum of bees,
For the refreshing summer breeze,
For hill and plain, for streams and wood,
For the great ocean's mighty flood,
For all these things give thanks.
For the sweet sleep that comes with night,
For the returning morning's light,
For the bright sun which shines on high,
For stars that glitter in the sky—
For these and everything we see,
O Lord, our hearts we lift to thee
And give thee hearty thanks.

—Ellen Isabella Tupper

SERVICE CLUB MEETING AND DANCE

The Shell Service Club held their quarterly meeting in the Roxana Community High School Auditorium on November 9. Over 200 members and their wives braved the heavy rains to attend this meeting and were rewarded with some good entertainment furnished by the Shell Choral Club and their male quartet.

The following were elected to offices in the club for the coming year: Carl Fors, Control Laboratory, was named President; Steve Kennedy, Power House, Vice President; Jesse Ford, Industrial Relations, Secretary; Ray Brown, Industrial Relations,, Treasurer; Elmer Gillis, Research Laboratory, Director. The hold-over Directors are L. B. Booth and J. G. Cuddy. The new officers will be installed at the annual meeting of the club in February.

Following the awarding of service emblems and the program presented by the Shell Choral Club at the high school, the crowd moved to the Roxana Community Building where they danced the remainder of the evening

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COST-OF-LIVING BONUS

In every walk of life exists the hope today that American industry will be able soon to complete its reconversion to full-scale output of civilian goods without further disastrous setbacks.

Patience and forbearance on the part of everyone are essential for an orderly return to what we like to think of as "Normal Conditions." The present trickle of consumer goods must be allowed to grow into a steady stream of adequate proportions, because only in this way can we in America expect to achieve that balance between supply and demand which in our free economy will bring about stability in prices and insure plenty of everything for everybody.

At the moment we are in a period of transition. Many factors have operated during this period, while supply is still lagging behind demand, to cause a temporary increase in living costs. There is every reason to believe that this is a transitory condition which, unless sustained by inflationary actions, will right itself as production gains momentum. It is recognized, however, that for the time being some hardship has been brought about.

In consideration of these facts, Shell Oil Company intends to distribute on December 2, 1946, a bonus of one week's basic wages or salary to all employees (except officers) who were on its payroll November 16, 1946. In the case of employees represented by collective bargaining agencies, the bonus is being offered through the appropriate agency .

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SERVICE AWARDS

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to the music of Tony Kohl and his orchestra. Refreshments were served during the evening.

Service awards were made to the following employees:

Diamond Pins for 25 Years Service:

A. Y. Kistner, Control Laboratory; O. E. Latempt, Topping.

20 Year Pins

P. J. Bennes, Control Laboratory; C. D. Bledsoe, Engineering Field; J. W. Boswell, Research Lab.; J. R. Branine, Storehouse; E. K. Calvin, Dispatching; G. W. Carstens, Automotive; G. E. Clayton, Eng. Field; R. Cown, Eng. Field; C. E. Davisson, Eng. Field; F. J. Frizzell, Eng. Field; V. George, Eng. Field; R. J. Gilworth, Cracking; J. F. Goldsberry, Engineering; W. L. Hamel, Eng. Field; W. C. Hamilton, Cracking; M. Henke, Lube C. & S.; A. S. Hicks, Cracking; J. W. Holder, Eng. Field; J. E. Johns, Eng. Field; M. W. Jordan, Lube C. & S.; H. M. Kay, Cracking; S. B. Kennedy, Power House; H. E. Killebrew, Lube Vacuum; W. R. King, Main Office; A. C. Krueger, Eng. Field; G. Knauss, Automotive; G. D. Louvier, Main Office; Z. T. Lynch, Lube Extraction; V. L. Major, Topping; E. C. Martindale, Eng. Field; J. A. Mason, Eng. Field; W. R. Mayberry, Cracking; A. Y. McCoy, Cont. Lab.; D. D. McNally, Main Office; G. R. McMeen, Alkylation; P. Mikulin, Eng. Field; E. N. Miller, Eng. Field; W. A. Miller, Cracking; H. P. Moore, Eng. Field; C. F. Oglesby, Lube C. & S.; W. F. Paxton, Eng. Field; R. J. Perry, Eng. Field; C. R. Reichert, Toluene; S. J. Schuetz, Eng. Field; E. C. Schwalb, Main Office; H. J. Smith, Lube C. & S.; H. C. Smithson, Lube Vacuum; J. E. Snyder, Eng. Field; W. R. Stark, Con. Lab.; W. R. Turnbeaugh, Eng. Field; K. R. Turner, Automotive; W. H. Walker, Eng. Field; W. J. Watson, Eng. Field; E. F. White, Eng. Field; W. A. Wiedman, Lube C. & S.; R. E. Wohlert, Eng. Field; C. L. Wood, Cracking; L. C. Wood, Eng. Field; T. Young, Automotive.

15 Year Pins

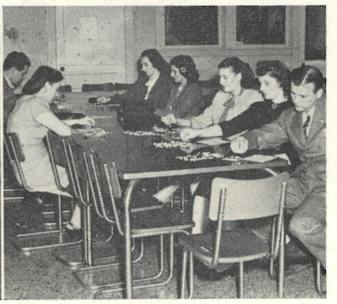
J. H. Anderson, Eng. Field; C. E. Arbuthnot, Res. Lab.; N. P. Beck, Eng. Field; R. T. Coale, Cracking; A. Cremens, Eng. Field; H. E. Dewey, Eng. Field; L. Dillow, Automotive; H. E. Fair, Eng. Field; A. W. Fultz, Eng. Field; J. B. Gerard, Cracking; F. H. Giesike, Eng. Field; R. A. Harper, Cracking; G. C. Hedges, Cracking; W. G. Huebner, Main Office; G. A. Jarden, Eng. Field; W. H. Lange, Eng. Field; P. F. Lauck, Cracking; C. Meek, Dispatching; C. W. Opel, Eng. Field; S. L. Owsley, Cracking; C. W. Pullen, Eng. Field; H. E. Rhoads, Engineering; D. R. Schneider, Control Lab.; H. A. Schulmeister, Eng. Field; R. H. Snell, Eng. Field; B. Tyler, Cracking; D. L. Unverzagt, Eng. Field; R. E. Wankel, Car; J. E. Watsker, Cooling Water; I. E. Whitler, Eng. Field; F. Williams, Cooling Water; C. A. Woodfall, Cracking.

10 Year Pins

F. G. Adams, Eng. Field; A. M. Amburg, Lube Filters; M. Barach, Lube C. & S.; H. J. Barnhorn, Gas; A. M. Barnwell, Eng. Field; H. D. Benner, Eng. Field; R. Bierbaum, Eng. Field; F. I. Bizaillion, Eng. Field; N. A. Bono, Eng. Field; L. F. Boullion, Exp. Lab.; J. C. Bourland, Lube C. & S.; J. A. Bowman, Res. Lab.; C. O. Brannan, Eng. Field; W. F. Burian, Main Office; T. B. Callender, Lube C. & S.; R. W. Cannon, Main Office; C. Colborn, Alkylation; P. Costanzo, Cracking; A. J. Czarneski, Main Office; D. D. Dittes, Cracking; C. A. Dorris, Cont. Lab.; G. K. Dycus, Cont. Lab.; C. R. Ferguson, Lube C. & S.; E. L. Fleming, Gas Plants; C. H. Gebhart, Lube C. & S.; A. W. Gilbert, Eng. Field; J. Gilreath, Lube C. & S.; D. J. Grieve, Cont. Lab.; C. F. Gunter, Eng. Field; C. P. Hackethal, Cont. Lab.; F. W. Hamilton, Alkylation; E. F. Hanser, Eng. Field; M. E. Harris, Cont. Lab.; I. A. Hemann, Eng. Field; J. A. Hmurovich, Eng. Field; C. H. Irwin, Boiler Houses; D. C. Isted, Topping; C. W. Jenkins, Lube Extraction; M. M. Jones, Cont. Lab.; E. A. Kessman, Eng. Field; P. R. Kindle, Cont. Lab.; H. J. Krapf, Eng. Field; N. E. Kruse, Lube C. & S.; L. V. Ladendorff, Gas; L. W. E. Lange, Cracking; J. L. Lanzerotte, Eng. Insp.; E. P. Lawliss, Ind. Rel.; C. H. Levi, Alkylation; A. J. Losch, Dispatching; H. M. Lurton, Res. Lab.; A. L. March, Eng. Field; A. Mayhall, Eng. Field; C. J. Milligan, Eng. Field; G. L. Moorman, Engineering; J. C. Mulville, Eng. Field; G. W. Norder, Lube C. & S.; C. E. Oetken, Cont. Lab.; P. A. Paisley, Eng. Field; L. Pfeifer, Eng. Field; C. A. Pickering, Lube D. & D.; T. L. Plumlee, Eng. Field; N. L. Probst, Cracking; R. H. Pruett, Eng. Field; N. L. Pyle, Lube C. & S.; R. Quackenbush, Cracking; H. E. Reed, Alkylation; E. F. Rhodes, Eng. Field; H. L. Rice, Cont. Lab.; W. O. Rodgers, Eng. Field; C. O. Schlieper, Eng Field; L. H. Schubert, Cracking; E. H. Schuette, Eng. Field; C. M. Slaten, Eng. Field; C. Slavik, Main Office; C. B. Smith, Lube C. & S.; J. M. Sones, Eng. Field; E. L. Sooy, Cracking; W. J. Stobbs, Eng. Field; L. E. Stubblefield, Main Office; L. L. Thompson, Eng. Field; G. J. Turnbeaugh, Alkylation; L. Waddelow, Alkylation; C. E. Wedel, Treating-L. O.; H. Wehrman, Lube C. & S.; C. R. Wiedey, Main Office; E. B. Wiley, Jr., Fire & Safety; Y. A. Wilson, Eng. Field; G. K. Wood, Eng. Field.

LARGE CROWD ATTENDS SHELL ATHLETIC CLUB PARTY





On the evening of October 21, a large crowd gathered in the Cafeteria to match their skill at a Bingo and Card Party sponsored by the Shell Athletic Club.

The pictures at top shows the Bingo players and in the picture below are the Pinochle and Bridge players.





Mrs. M. W. Jordan took a pair of nylon hose as attendance prize. The following won prizes at Pinochle: Merle U. Young, first; J. S. "Doc" Cunningham, second; Lloyd B. Burges, third, and at Bridge: Harry Hockinghomer took first prize, Nellie Barnett won second and Ray Randels third. Mrs. Meehan won first prize at Bingo.

THANKSGIVING DANCE

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Shell Choral Club has consented to sing several numbers during the evening. The members of the quartet who will appear are George Hayes, Elder Larson, Clark Judd, and Delbert Smith.

Collinsvile Park Ballroom was selected for the dance because of its many tables surrounding a large dance floor, table service from the adjoining room, and ample parking facilities. Get up your party early and assure yourselves of a well-located table by making reservations at Industrial Relations Office.

Tickets are available at Industrial Relations Office and from Athletic Club officers and representatives throughout the plant.

The Congressman's wife sat up in bed, a startled look on her face. "Jim," she whispered, "There's a robber in the house!"

"Impossible!" was the reply. "In the Senate, yes, but in the House, never!"

The Anti-Knocker

by DONALD W. McLEAN

Thursday night, October 3, the Anti-Knockers gathered at Clifton Terrace to bid farewell to Rodney McNeilly, who left for Fort Sheridan on October 8. Mac was presented with a pen and pencil set, as well as a custom made and hand painted bowling ball. Charlie Keshner acted as master of ceremonies for the evening and did a very good job. A very interesting time was had. Charlie Andrews presented motion pictures of his recent trip through the West by way of Colorado Springs, Denver, Salt Lake, and Yellowstone. These were really enjoyed by all. I guess McNeilly kept thinking he would see all these things in reality before he returns to Shell. Several of the brothers helped bring up the sun the next morning. Much concern was felt for Ruedin, but fortunately he recovered.

The stork is flying low over the Anti-Knock again. More news about this next issue.

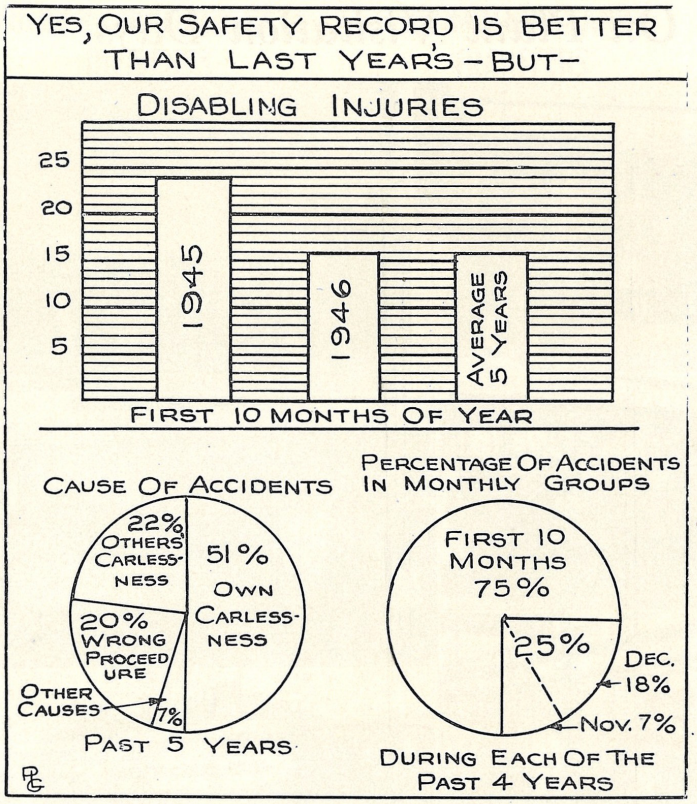
We have now received a letter from McNeilly who is stationed at Fort Knox, Ky. He describes the army in detail but so far his letter hasn't brought any enlistments to the army.

Congratulations to Gordon Mallory upon his appointment as a member of the Wood River Levee Board. The same fine efficient work done by Mallory for the City of Wood River as an alderman may now be for the service of the residents of the Levee District.

"What kind of sailors are they?"

"American," replied the gatekeeper.

"Oh, let them in," said St. Peter. "They'll want a transfer in six months anyway."



BY TANNER SMITH

It is an interesting fact that the safety record of this Refinery for the first 10 months of this year, when compared with last year's corresponding period, reveals that disabling injuries have been reduced one-third, or from 24 to 16, with a corresponding frequency reduction.

Yes, this appears to be a splendid decrease in our fellow workmen's misfortune until we recall that last year was one of our poorest accident experiences in recent times, even though our disabling injury frequency was well below the national average of refineries. However, actually, our sixteen disabling injuries accepted so far this year are only about equal to our average for the corresponding periods of the past 5 years. (These comparisons are illustrated in the above graph). Therefore, if we are to complete this year with a better record and (far more important) fewer employee's suffering, we must avoid accidents during this November and December.

This accomplishment appears difficult when you note in the right circle above that during the past four years, 25 per cent of all our disabling injuries have occurred in the last two months of these years; over 18 per cent in December alone. Some of our most serious injuries have occurred in these two-month periods.

The question naturally arises, "What is the cause of our disabling injuries?" The left circle above indicates the answer. For the past five years, 51 per cent of all our disabling injuries have been caused by injured person's own carelessness; 22 per cent by the carelessness of others; 20 per cent because of wrong procedures (this is a type of carelessness in most cases); and 7 per cent for other reasons such as physical condition, equipment failure, hidden hazards, etc.

But, why do we average one fourth of all the year's disabling injuries in November and December? Winter hazards, although they do enter the picture, are not the answer since during the months of January and February we have only been averaging 6 per cent of our total disabling injuries for the last five years. The truth is that our thoughts wander from the job more during the last two months of the year because of the holiday season. We think about our Thanksgiving dinner, what to get the children for Christmas, where to celebrate New Year's Eve, etc., — and how to pay for it all.

Yes, we let our thoughts wander and when we do this we grow careless. This is well illustrated by the fact that for the past four years during the months of November and December, the percentage of disabling injuries due to a person's own carelessness increased over the year's average from 51 per cent to 52 per cent; due to another person's carelessness from 22 per cent to 24 per cent; and through wrong procedure, from 20 per cent to 21 per cent.

When you sum it all up, the indication is that over 93 per cent of all our disabling injuries occur through some type of carelessness—either by the person injured, by another workman, or by the person who planned the job. Since an average of 25 per cent of all our disabling injuries have been occurring during the last two months of the year, it is indicative that more of this careless attitude on the part of the employees exists during this period.

Therefore, during the coming months of November and December let us try to keep our minds more on the job we're doing and a great deal less on holiday pleasures. If we'll do this one thing we'll have less carelessness on the job with correspondingly fewer accidents, and more Shell employees and their families able to enjoy the holiday season.

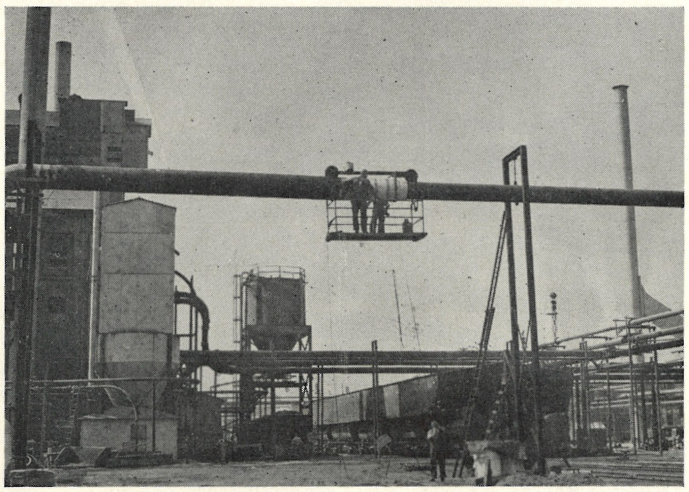
RETURNED VETERANS AT RESEARCH LABORATORIES



Left to right: in the front row: Paul Schlieper, Norman Wilson, Roman Ortynsky, Miss Elsie Foley, George Gray, William Horstman, and Harold Haffner. Back row: Hugh Burnham, Lonnie Bowman, Julian Ryan, David Berry, Faye Doenges, and Norman Voyles.

Since this photograph was taken, Roman Ortynsky has left Shell, Harold Haffner transferred to Chicago Marketing Division and Faye Doenges returned to school.

NEW TYPE SCAFFOLD FOR INSULATORS



Recently an overhead steam line, west of No. 2 Boiler House, was scheduled for immediate insulation. However, due to the lumber shortage, material was not readily available to erect the scaffold. This gave Charles Rushing, Asbestos Worker Foreman, the idea of a metal scaffold that would roll along the steam line. This idea was referred to L. E. "Doc" Barton, Boilermaker General Foreman, who worked out the details in the Boiler Shop. The picture above, which shows two Insulators at work on the new type scaffold, is the result of their work.

In addition to proving the solution for the material shortage, it makes the job much easier and saves a substantial amount of time. This new type scaffold rolls along the steam pipe, high overhead, and does not block the roadway nor the railroad tracks, as was the case with the old wooden scaffold.

We congratulate the men responsible for this new and ingenious device.

OPPORTUNITIES

FOR RENT—Two sleeping rooms. —131 East Tydeman Avenue, Roxana, Ill.

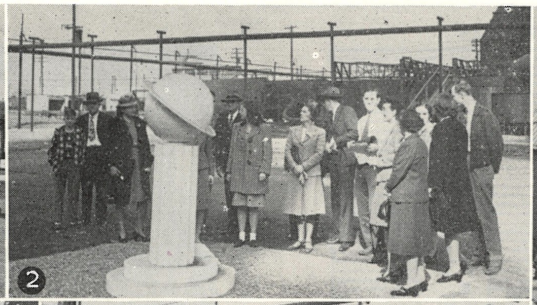
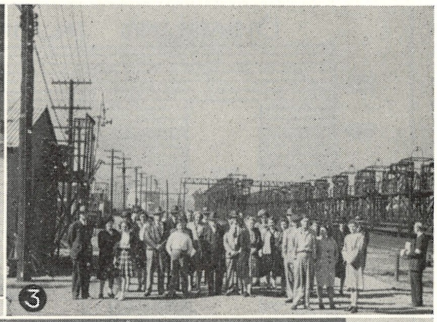
FOR RENT—One room. — Mrs. Frank Lind, 606 Washington, Alton.—Phone 3-8327.

FOR RENT—One furnished room (double bed).—123 Eighth St., Wood River, Ill.—Phone 4-8069.

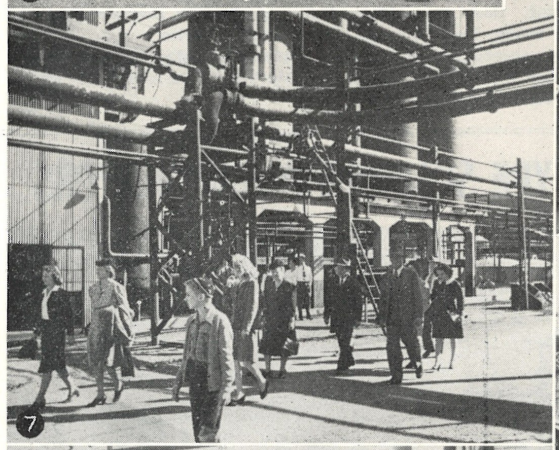
FOR RENT—One room.—610 East Fourth Street, Alton.—Phone 2-1502.

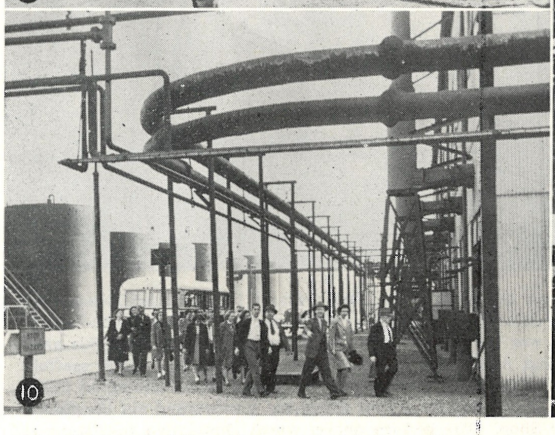
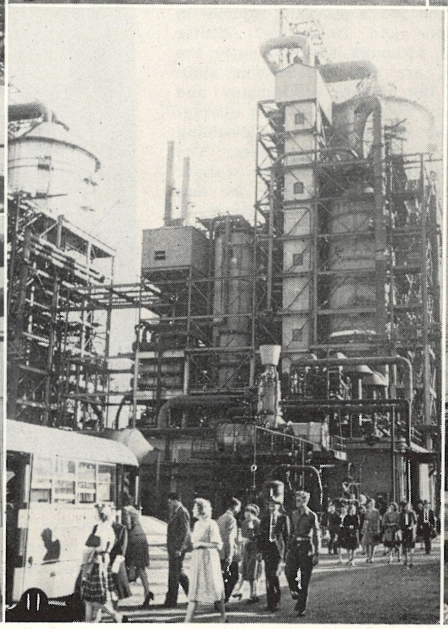
FOR SALE—5 room house.—239 Walnut, Roxana.—Arthur Madison, phone 4-8755.

Pictures Taken Of Groups On Plant Visitation Days






1. Group of visitors photographed before entering plant.
2. Visitors inspecting 100 Octane Memorial Monument north of Twin Catalytic Cracking Units.
3. Another group of visitors. The Loading Racks in background.
4. Guide explaining some points of interest to a group of tourists in front of Propane Polymerization Plant in Alkylation Department.
5. Visitors in front of Control Laboratories, just after group alighted from bus at their first stop on the tour.
6. Another group of visitors photographed on Plant Visitation Day.
7. Visitors walking down road near Lube D. & D. Plant.
8. Another group of Shell's guests on Plant Visitation day.
9. Visitors walking to buses which transported them through the refinery. Picture taken near Catalytic Cracking Plant.
10. Visitors entering the Lube D. & D. Plant.
11. A large group of visitors returning to bus after inspecting the Catalytic Cracking Units shown in background.
12. A group of plant visitors photographed in front of No. 1 column of Topping Unit No. 4.

Gas Plant Gas

"Old Roebuck," your correspondent, is off work with what has been called "Sympathy Pains." Oh well, you're not the only one around the Gas Plants that's giving or is going to give one of those "Awful Weeds."

Talking about "Tarred Ropes," there seems to be a veritable epidemic around here. Of course, some are from one of the boys that has taken the "Fatal Step," and others are from "Doing what comes naturally." Congratulations to you all.

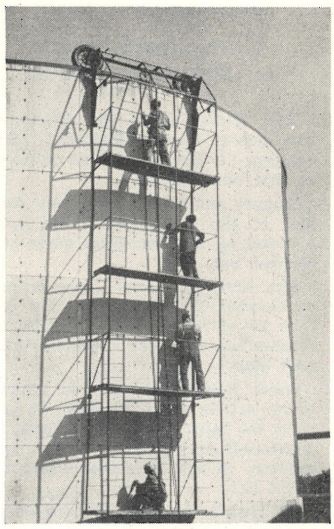
The Gas Plant bowling team has come up with a find. It seems that we have a psychic bowler, who as anchor man deluxe, can come up with that **one pin** on the last ball of the tenth frame, and win for the team. Nice going, Ed.

You have all heard the old story about bumping into a door as an explanation for a black eye. Ted Whiting blames his recent mishap to his mouth on the car wreck he had during the rain the other night. We believe that he lost control of his teeth, which were probably starved during the recent meat famine.

The "Suckers" met at a recent "Blow Out" at a well-known haven for chicken lovers, and as is often the case, everyone was loser, as not a winner could be found—excepting the bar keeper, who was kept in business by the ten per cent drag that went for "Kickapoo Joy Juice," etc.

LUMBER SHORTAGE PAYS DIVIDENDS

For those of us who are in the throes of building a home it is hard to believe that anything good could come out of the current lumber shortage; nevertheless, Wood River Refinery owes a certain amount of thanks for its new tank scaffold to this otherwise annoying scarcity of wood.



The idea of a metal scaffold was first conceived several years ago, but in the press of turning out gasoline, oil, etc., for our armed forces during the war, nothing was done about it. Several months ago preparations were made for insulating a 1500 barrel tank measuring nearly 60 feet across and standing 40 feet high. To tackle such a job in the conventional manner would have meant erecting a wooden scaffold all the way around the tank, and to do this without lumber would have been a bit of a problem even for Mark Lambert, Wood River's Construction Engineer. So, instead, L. E. "Doc" Barton, Boilermaker General Foreman was called on for assistance. In a short time, "Doc" had completed the design of just what you see in the picture above.

While this new type scaffold has proven very satisfactory, Messrs. Lambert and Barton are considering further improvements to enhance its value. For example, they plan to build the next scaffold of aluminum; also do some redesigning so that the height of the scaffold can be varied to fit different height tanks and be adaptable to both cone roof and floating roof tanks.

During a lull in the insulating job for which this scaffold was designed, it was decided to try it on a large tank nearby which was scheduled to be painted. It proved to be very valuable for this purpose, too.

We really hope the lumber situation will soon improve, but if it doesn't, there's no telling what Wood River will do next.

"My son is specializing in speech and languages in school."

"Is that right?"

"Yes, I got a bill that said $20 for French, $50 for Spanish, and $200 for Scotch."

PROMOTIONS AND TRANSFERS

During the past month several changes in Refinery Personnel have taken place: J. W. Ford from Control Laboratory to Industrial Relations Department Training Assistant; R. R. Sherwood from Cracking Department to Assistant Department Manager in the Topping Department; D. C. Isted from Topping Department to Lube Operating Department.

Engineering Inspection Calibrations

by TOMMY TURPIN

It seems as though your obedient servant is being hard pressed to keep information on personnel changes up to date. After the lengthy explanation of particular assignments given in the last issue of "Shell Review" it is already subject to revisions. Primarily, introductions of our two new cohorts are in order, so, may we present Bernard Jun, formerly of the Extraction Plant, and Arthur Petersen, who sports the "Gold and Gray" of the Missouri School of Mines and Metallurgy.

After six years in the Inspection Department "Pop" Graham has returned to his first love, drafting.

LaMarsh has shifted to the Cracking Dept. area to take up the slack caused by Grahman's departure.

In order that inspection work on furnaces and heaters might be handled more efficiently a new division of our group was recently set up. Harvey Lewis is in charge of scheduling inspection work on all furnaces and heaters in the refinery. In addition, he is to maintain spare tube and fitting records and keep all records of furnace and heater inspections. Joe Lanzerotte will work with Lewis and will be in charge of all field work on furnaces and heaters.

Tom Layman is now assigned to the Gas Dept. area, while your obedient servant is attached to the Alkylation area.

In Memoriam

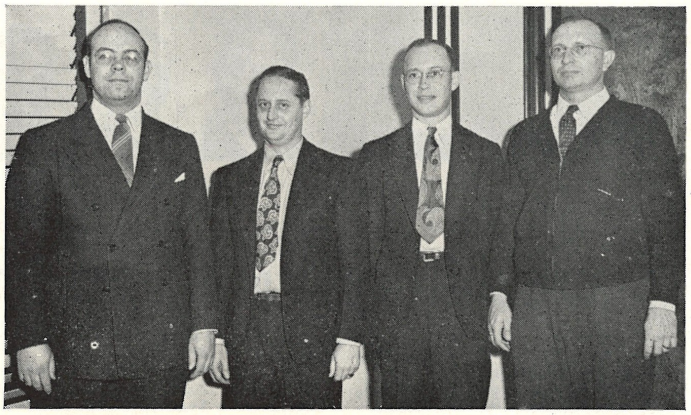
It is with deep regret that we announce the death of Thomas J. Caldwell, Engineering Field Pipefitter, on Ocober 26, three weeks after he had been injured in a fall from a scaffold in the refinery.



Mr. Caldwell, who was 59 years of age, had over 23 years of service with Shell, having entered our employment as a Pipefitter Helper on May 17, 1923. On July 16, 1925 he became a first class pipefitter.

To his bereaved wife, Mrs. Sadie Caldwell, his daughter, Mrs. Fred Secor, Jr.; and his sep-son, Mark Moran; we extend our deepest sympathy.

CHORAL CLUB OPENS FALL SEASON



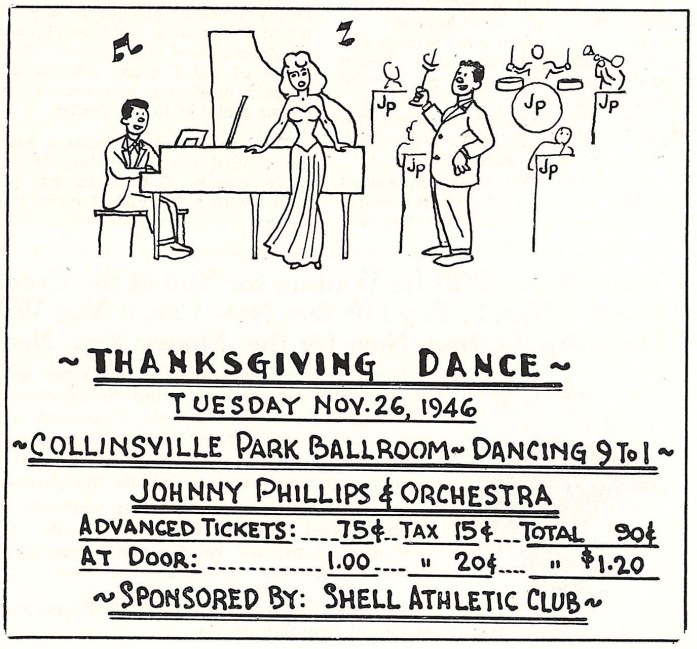
SHELL QUARTET—Left to right: George Hayes, Delbert Smith Ellen Larson and Clark Judd.

After a short period of inactivity during the summer, the Shell Choral Club returned to active duty Saturday, November 9, in the initial appearance of its second season by singing to a responsive group of members of the Service Club and their families at the Roxana Community High School. Interspersed between choral numbers were a solo by Tainter Smith, a duet by the "Shell Twins," Lorna Weimers and Norma Diest, and a number by the male quartet made up of George Hayes, Elder Larson, Clark Judd, and Delbert Smith. The response of the audience showed that the labors of this group of singers have not been in vain and that the Choral Club is ready to take its place as an active member of the refinery family.

November 26 the Quartet will sing a few numbers at a Thanksgiving dance being sponsored by the Shell Athletic Club at the Collinsville Park Ballroom. All refinery employees are invited to attend this dance and enjoy a gala evening. This quartet is also scheduled to sing over station WTMV on November 18. It is hoped that sometime in the future studio facilities will be available so that the entire Choral Club will be able to participate.

Tentative arrangements have been made for the Choral Club to assist in programs at Jacksonville and East St. Louis in collaboration with the high school bands of these cities. These programs will help the schools in raising money for their band work.

At this time every member of the Shell Choral Club extends to every employee of the Wood River Refinery an invitation to come out to the Roxana High School every Tuesday evening at 7:30 and join in the fun of singing together. Any employee, whether he is an embryonic Crosby or Dina Shore, or only a fellow who likes to sing, is certain of a welcome.



TWENTY YEARS SERVICE BIRTHDAYS



Left to right: D. M. Boren, Toulene Plant; T. J. Jackson, Engineering Field; A. Hock, Dispatching; J. W. Holder, Engineering Field; E. Hagen, Dispatching; S. B. Kennedy, Power House; H. L. Day, Main Office; G. R. McMeen, Alkylation; L. F. Smith, Lube Comp. and Shipping; W. J. Watson, Engineering Field; W. G. Ringering, Engineering Field, and R. A. Neuhaus, Cracking Dept.

COMMUNITY CHEST DRIVE CONTRIBUTIONS BY DEPARTMENTS

	Quota	Pledged	% of Quota
Industrial Relations	$ 100.00	$ 139.00	$ 139.00
Products Application	24.00	25.00	104.00
Fire and Safety Dept.	36.00	36.00	100.00
Research Laboratory	456.00	360.75	79.00
Central Shops	120.00	81.00	67.50
Main Office	744.00	495.00	67.00
Engineering Insp.	76.00	48.00	63.00
Experimental Lab.	136.00	54.00	39.70
Power House	60.00	23.00	38.33
Carpenters	208.00	74.00	35.60
Treating Light Oils	216.00	74.00	34.20
Topping Department	396.00	119.00	30.00
Gas Department	244.00	72.25	29.60
Tinners	60.00	18.50	30.83
Cranemen	64.00	18.00	28.10
Control Laboratory	836.00	230.25	27.54
Electricians	236.00	63.00	26.69
tSores Department	200.00	53.00	26.40
Machinists	1110.00	283.75	25.50
Alkylation	360.00	89.00	24.72
Car Department	284.00	69.00	24.25
Instrument Shop	132.00	32.00	24.20
Extraction Plant	128.00	30.00	23.44
Welders	276.00	64.40	23.35
Painters	152.00	34.50	22.75
Dispatching	424.00	90.50	21.30
Asbestos Workers	148.00	30.50	20.60
Brickmasons	52.00	10.00	19.75
Filter Plant	144.00	28.00	19.44
D & D Plant	120.00	23.00	19.17
Toluene	172.00	31.00	18.00
Boilermakers	348.00	61.00	17.50
Watchmen	88.00	15.00	17.10
Switchmen and Hoist	124.00	21.00	16.9(
Riggers	244.00	40.00	16.40
Boiler House	336.00	55.00	16.36
Vacuum Plant	160.00	26.00	16.25
Compound House	944.00	121.25	12.85
Pipefitters	1692.00	198.50	11.73
Cracking Dept.	648.00	75.00	11.55
Cooling Water	148.00	9.00	6.10
Truck Drivers	340.00	19.20	5.65
Loading Racks	212.00	11.00	5.20
Laborers	1550.00	59.20	3.80
Heavy Oil Agts.	84.00	3.00	3.57
Totals		$3514.05	29.28%

Topping Rabble Chatter

We are saying adios to Worden, Weatherford and McMurdo. We wish them the best of luck in their new ventures.

Don Isted has been transferred to the Lube Department. Good luck, Don, and don't forget you still bowl with Topping.

Ross Sherwood and Bay have been added to Topping personnel. We along the row say "Howdy and Welcome."

About three days after Buttery started his vacation he called in to see how things were going. However, his concern was unnecessary as we had just received a letter with full instructions from Weatherford, who had quit a month or so before!

Gene McCracken has become the "Apple King," having more than a gastronomic interest in an orchard and liking cider.

Oh yeah! Curley Almon and Hughie Head are giving the fish a last chance at being good sports!

To prevent that tired overworked feeling on the 12-8, try the water treatment. See Nelson for details.

Chemical Analyses

By LONNIE BOWMAN

I understand that the Research Pilots have a new coach on their bowling team, Buck Homann, the wizard of the ten pins, it is his worldly duty to instruct each of the bowlers in the fine art of bowling and also when and when not to have another beer, according to the grapevine, most of his time is taken up going around and checking fingerprints on empty beer bottles and saying "no." His hardest decision though is the beer frame, and all keglers know what that frame means; without it he is lost.

The stork visited the Fred Wopat family recently and he is now the proud father of a 7 pound 11 ounce daughter named Jean Louise. Johnny Webb of the Engine side is also proudly displaying pictures of the recent addition to his family.

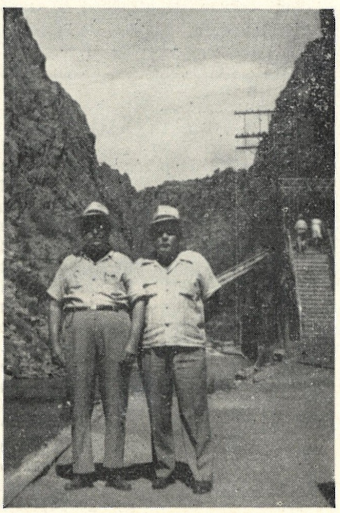
The latest person to come a beaming around the Laboratory is Carl Kelly, who on October 23 was presented with a 6 pound 15 ounce daughter,

Pipe Dope

By S. D. LACKEY

Ray Rushing from Bunker Hill claims the folks out that way are having trouble with a panther or some such animal catching the young pork, and at a time like this. Maybe it was that old ground hog you caught under the old house. He must have been a whopper, from what I hear.

What is this we hear—When Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Dilling go to the show, Mrs. Dilling buys a ticket and a half. Was you there, Charley?



Two Beau Brummels from the Pipe Gang—L. R. Roberts (left) and "Doc" Obert—taken while vacationing in Royal Gorge.

If you have a dog to train see "Daniel Boone" Cruthis. This writer never saw a better rabbit dog than Earl's pointer which he trained himself.

Compound News

By LEONARD SCHILDOTH

The World Series was worth 90 iron men to Harold Hanbaum. Harold says, "I was getting kind of shaky in that ninth inning."

Dugger and Hillen, the "daily double" of the Compound House, split a nickel on the last series game and cleaned up!

Mrs. Mary (DeLong) Locke resigned October 15th to assume the full time job of "Chief Cook and Bottle Washer" at the Locke residence. Good luck Mary!

Oscar Bardelmeier says in answer to our article in the last issue, "I just want the folks to know the facts, I didn't fish during my Canadian trip because of the inclement weather." Could be?

We wish to welcome Kenneth Keepper to the Compound House.

Your correspondent has been asked why Jesse Gilreath always sweeps the sidewalk when the mail is due? Any one having the answer please contact John Curtis.

We have discovered that Alma Johnson is a super typewriter saleswoman.

Fred Blumberg pointed out that times have really changed. What used to be the "Billing and Cooing Department" is now only the "Billing Department."

John Stassi is still earning his lunch the same old way.

According to a member of the pipe gang, a good substitute for lard is No. 1 transformer oil.

Notice the nice sunny smile "Mr. Graham" is wearing these days. Well, wedding bells, you know. Hope all your troubles will be little ones, Graham.

What pipefitter ties his ducks out to graze, and they get loose and wander off. You better be careful, Buddie, you know Thanksgiving is not far off.

We hear "Whitey" Warford, "Doc" Obert, and "Catch 'em All" Waffensmith spent a week-end at Whitey's cabin on Macoupin Creek. Mrs. Waffensmith invites neighbors in for a fish supper. But, oh boy, is George in the dog house. He did not bring home any fish.

We have a building contractor in our gang? He moves houses. "Wrong Way" Ed Clary some folks call him.

This correspondent is in the market for a good used car. Must be fully equipped, including a "squirrel tail."

Bill: "Those are my grandmother's ashes over there."

Anne: "Oh, so the poor old soul has passed on?"

Bill: "No, she's just too lazy to look for an ash tray."

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THEY HAVE RETIRED



On November 1, Mrs. Nellie McCrea Jones, Control Laboratory Tester, retired on pension. In the picture above, which was taken in the Lab on the date of her retirement, she is shown surrounded by her fellow workers, who presented her with a service for eight set of silver-plated silverware as a going away gift. Mrs. Jones started to work at Shell on June 23, 1928and worked continuously until the date of her retirement.



Mr. Samuel Henson, Engineering Field Labor Sub-foreman retired on November 1, 1946 after 23 years of service at Shell. He is shown in the above picture surrounded by a group of his fellow workers who presented him with a handsome gold watch, beautifully engraved, as a farewell gift. Sam started to work for Shell on February 28, 1923 as a laborer.



Mr. Adolph H. Eppel, Engineering Field — Tinner retired on pension after 23 years of service at Shell. In the picture above, which was taken on the date of his retirement, he is shown surrounded by a group of his fellow workers who presented him with a going away gift.



On November 1, 1946, Charles H. Wolf, Teamster, retired on pension. Charlie started to work for Shell June 20, 1919. During the past few years, he was employed during the summer months cutting weeds around the refinery. He is shown in the picture above, which was taken a few days before his retirement.



Mr. Anton F. Fanke, Boiler House, Boiler Washer, retired on pension October 1, 1946. Mr. Fanke started to work on June 15, 1925, and, except for several short layoff periods, has worked continuously until the date of his retirement. As a going away gift, Anton received a handsome leather billfold containing some of that well-known "folding" money.

Industrial Relations News

by KATHIE HANES

The "comings and goings" of this Department actually make your head go 'round. Walt Heinz left our midst this month. I guess he preferred bottles, (lab. bottles, that is!) rather than us. Come back and see us, Walt. We all welcome Cliff Davidson and Jesse Ford to our department. Hope you like us, Cliff and Jesse.

The Industrial Relations' bowling team is really going strong this year. It must be all those "muscle-bound" bowlers that are on the team! Eddie, Kenny, Hotto, Oscar, Fred, Joe — take a bow! We're proud of you.

June returned from her vacation a few weeks ago; henceforth, if anyone wants to know anything about the eastern part of the United States—ask June—she's well versed on the subject.

Remember the big Shell Club Thanksgiving Dance at Collinsville Park on November 26. A large turnout is expected and a good time promised to all. Buy your tickets early!

Glen and Margie have joined the ranks of the honored "chair-collapsing" clique. It must be nice to fall so gracefully—but, please, not quite so hard.

Light Oil Treaters News

by ABE SCHELM

All our veterans have returned and we wish to take this opportunity of officially welcoming you back. We missed you a lot, and thanks for a job well done. This, among other things, is late but sincere, nevertheless.

Vacations are about over and most of the boys are glad to be back in the harness?? Some of our expert hunters, however, have not had their yet. Boy oh boy, wait until they get back.

Jake Schupback took a trip out west to the mountains of Colorado. They stopped for a while near a forest. Jake told his wife he thought he would take a walk. He was gone for a long time and his wife began to worry. Soon her fears vanished as Jake appeared setting a new speed record with a bear behind.

Have you noticed how chesty Ernie Howard and Bill Dieslehorst are lately? Reason—they are both proud Papas of lovely daughters. We are also late with congrats' but better late than never.

One of our confirmed bachelors (we thought) has gone and done it. Rudy Rutherford and Miss Dorothy Doerr of Bethalto, Illinois, were united in holy matrimony in September. Congratulations, Rudy!

At a party held recently for Fred Hack, who retired, the boys got together for a friendly game. After the game was over the dealer found he was out of money; how come Wendy?

We wish at this time to welcome George Sample to our Department. Hope you like us, George. We also want to wish Tom Leeds a lot of luck on his new job.

Bowling is again in full swing and the boys are beginning to get the kinks ironed out. The Number Two Team sure misses "Pop" Hanson, who is temporarily out of action with old "agitis." We hope Doc. Hoover fixes him up soon.

Barrel and Can House

Joe Stricklin has been awarded the Community Engineering Award for the year on the installing of an electric pump in his well. Only one mishap occurred during the project. While placing some tile in the well, Joe dug a little deeper than he intended and, to his dismay, when he started to climb out he couldn't reach the rope. Being unable to attract attention with shouting, he finally emerged somewhat later in a rather disheveled condition.

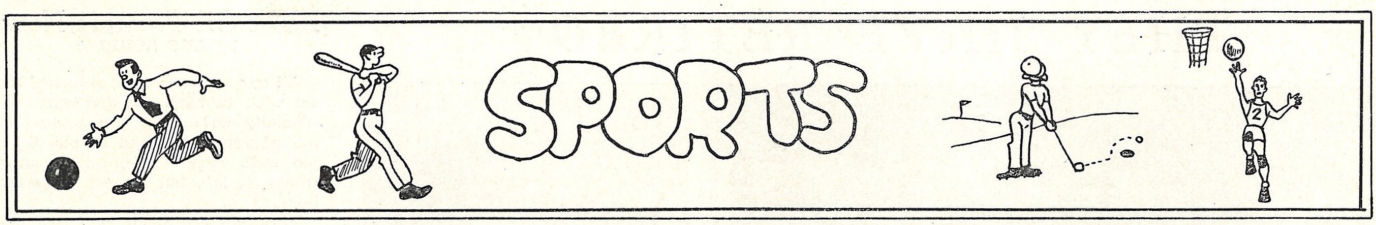
It is rumored that Dick Smith was seen looking at some household furniture. Maybe Dick is going to set up bachelor quarters??

Lackey and Lattimore were speakers recently at a W. C. T. U. Convention in Springfield, Illinois.

We read recently in the "50 Years Ago Column" of the Telegraph that Bis Fox had entered the first grade at McKinley School.

It is still in the blue print stage, but Lawrence and Lloyd are plotting and planning on seeing their names together in neon.

There was much bickering and whispering recently during the lard shortage. One fellow, who had the corner on the market, wound up with opening all the windows and turning on the fan when his eggs were fried in the morning. Some said it had the odor of X-100.



SPORTS

The Shell Athletic Club has been entertaining the various triumphant teams and individuals for their efforts during the Summer months. Three banquets have been held for the Not-So-Good Softball team, the Industrial League Softball team and the Golf Team and Tournament Winners. The Laborers and Main Office Softball teams, winners of their respective leagues, were feted at a dinner November 7, 1946, at the Wagon Wheel, near South Roxana. A trophy was awarded to the Laborers team as Refinery Champs and the players received handsome belt buckles.

The bowling season is rolling along at a merry clip with the Industrial Relations entry leading the pack in the Super Shell League; the Power House team is out in front in the Golden Shell League and in the Silver Shell League Alky No. 2 and Car Shops are neck and neck. The Cokerettes team in the Silver Shell Women's League holds a small lead and the Edwardsville Shell League shows Webers Service, Time Tower Service and Kesl Service teams on top.

Departments in the Plant are asked to be thinking about their basket ball teams. An organization meeting will be held in the near future to form a Plant Basketball League.

BOWLING LEAGUE STANDINGS

EDWARDSVILLE SHELL LEAGUE

Team	Won	Lost
Kesl Service	21	12
Time Tower Service	20	13
Weber Service	18	15
Berlemann Service	18	15
Accounting	16	17
Main Office	14	19
Engineering	13	20
Laboratory	12	21

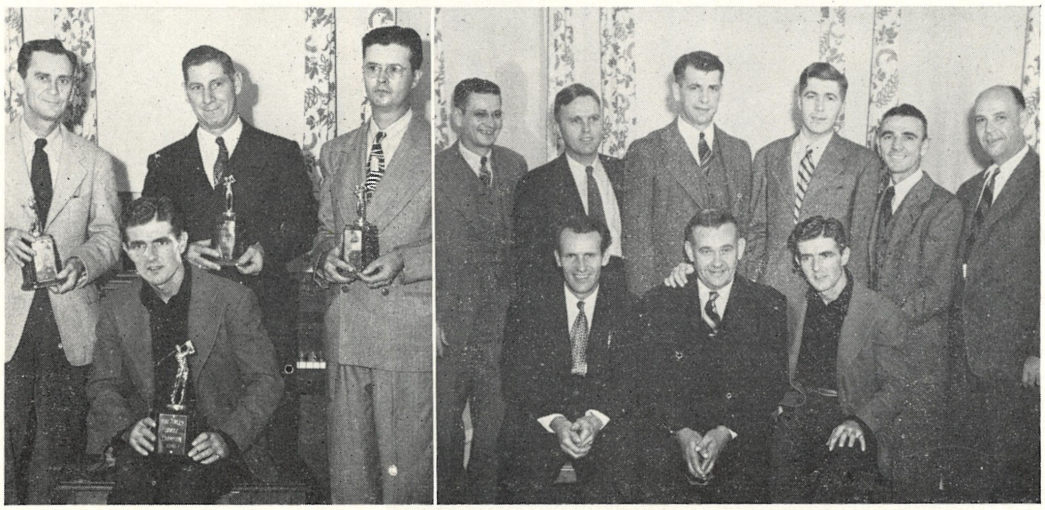
SILVER SHELL LEAGUE

Team	Won	Lost
Alkylation No. 2	19	8
Car Shops	18	9
Tech. Dept.	16	11
L. O. Trs. No. 2	15	12
Gas Plants	15	12
Painters	14	13
Supervisors	14	13
Welders	14	13
Pod. Lab.	14	13
Engr. Office	13	14
Topping No. 3	6	21
Cracking Cleanout	4	23

GOLDEN SHELL BOWLING LEAGUE

Team	Won	Lost
Power House	19	8
Lt. Oil No. 1	18	9
Coker Switchmen	15	12
Pipefitters	14	13
Topping No. 2	14	13
Riggers	13	14
Conrol Lab.	12	15
Lube Dept.	11	16
Research Relics	11	16
Truck Drivers	8	19

SHELL ENTERTAINS GOLF TEAM AND TOURNAMENT WINNERS



On October 22, the Shell Athletic Club entertained the Shell Golf Tournament Winners and the Shell Industrial League Golf Team with a dinner at the Wagon Wheel in South Roxana. In the picture at left above, the Tournament winners are, left to right, standing, Dick Sutton, Class "A"; Al Springer, Class "B"; and Guy Turnbeaugh, Class "C"; and in front, Hub Turley, Refinery Champ. They were presented trophies by the Shell Athletic Club.

The members of the Golf Team, which represented Shell Athletic Club in the Alton Industrial Golf League during the past season, are shown in the picture at right above. They are, left to right, standing,: Wilson DeLong, Joe Brien, George Moorman, G. Acocks, Herb Miller and E. Kimmel; front row: LeRoy Waddelow, Carl Colburn and Hub Turley.

SHELL WOMEN'S BOWLING LEAGUE

Team	Won	Lost
Shellites	20	10
Cokerettes	17	13
Costettes	17	13
Research	16	14
Yield Digits	13	17
Shell-Ettes	9	21

SUPER SHELL BOWLING LEAGUE

Team	Won	Lost
Ind. Relations	20	7
Local 553	16	11
Instrument Shop	15	12
Reformers	15	12
Cokers	15	12
Topping Dept. No. 1	15	12
Research Pilots	14	13
Alkylation No. 1	11	16
Stabilizers	7	20
Safety Dept.	9	20

The reason Cupid makes so many bad shots is because he's shooting at the heart while looking at the hosiery.

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"All the little boys and girls who want to go to Heaven," said the Sunday School teacher, "please rise."

All rose except Johnny.

"And doesn't this little boy want to go to heaven?"

"No, teacher, not yet."

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Kindly woman, pinching little boy's knee: "And who has nice chubby legs?"

Little boy: "Betty Grable."

Topping Department No. 2 Bowling Team



On one of the recent Shell Nights at the Acme Bowlings, the Topping Department No. 2 Bowling team posed for the above picture. The players are left to right, standing: Adkins and Borman; sitting: York, Hughson and Herndon.