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## On the Cover

Over the Fourth of July weekend we took the camera and started out on a tour of Mishawaka and South Bend Parks, hoping to find some good photo subjects which could be used in PARADE. We covered Merrifield, Lincoln, Pottawatomie and Leeper, getting pictures of nature, animals and people. We selected the one taken of children at the duck and swan pond in Leeper Park, believing it held the most human interest appeal for most people. These three tots were engrossed in the antics of the feathered inmates, but one young lady became distracted momentarily and looked around as I got the shot. She didn't care too much, however, for the looks of the cameraman and turned back almost immediately to something of real interest. We hope you like this cover.

## In Memoriam

Blanche Kreszewski, wife of Stanley Kreszewski, passed away suddenly on July 2. Her death was a distinct shock to her close relatives and host of friends in this area. It is at a time like this that mere words seem so inadequate as we try to console the dear ones who survive. Much solace can be gained by meditating on various passages of the Holy Bible which promise a glorious hereafter. There is the solace which comes in a brief trek down through memory lane. In this respect there comes to me a short passage from something I once read. I do not recall the author, but the comforting thought goes something like this: *And ever mindful of the fate to come, I built her many a fire for love . . . for mirth . . .*

*(When snows were falling on our oaks outside,*

*Dear, many a fire upon the hearth... Farewell . . . farewell . . . farewell . . .)*

*We dare not think too long on those who died,*

*While still so many yet must come to birth.*

## A BOY and His DAD!

Once there was a boy who was compelled by his father to earn his own clothing. Some folks condemned the father for this but many others admired him because he wanted his son to take care of himself by being useful. So he taught the lad to conform to a strict ethical code.

One of the boy's ventures was raising pigs, which he kept penned in the back yard. He would collect garbage from the neighbors and thus feed the pigs at no cash cost. He looked forward to the day when he could sell them at a good profit, but shortly before that time his father told him to sell the animals at once.

The youth was heartbroken at this unexpected turn of events and complained bitterly to his father. When the latter explained why this had to

be done, the boy thought it over and finally saw the wisdom of his parent's decision. Many years later he said that this was one of the most important lessons he had ever learned.

His father had explained that the smell of pigs was offensive to all the neighbors, and the noise was so annoying that they objected. He told his son that one of the first duties of a good citizen was to live at peace with his neighbors, and that nobody had a right to interfere with the comfort of others for his own advantage.

This caused the boy a lot of thought, but in time he understood the wisdom of his father's words. By adopting this philosophy and sticking to it during a long lifetime, he has attained success—both as a great money maker and as a fine citizen. The boy's name was James C. Penney.

HELP TRUTH  
FIGHT  
COMMUNISM



JOIN  
CAUSE FOR FREEDOM

## AWECO PROFIT-SHARING CHART

THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR
Cumulation to June 30 1954 \$146,818	Cumulation to June 30 1953 \$204,774

# Worth Thinking About



## Let's keep AMERICA'S MARKET BASKET Full!

By 1975, we will be a nation of 200 to 220 million. Because ours is an expanding economy, this poses a pointed challenge. How can we provide for these additional 40 to 60 million Americans without lowering but—on the contrary—continuing to raise our standards of living? How can we provide more and better jobs . . . food . . . clothing . . . housing . . . and all the many other things we Americans will want?

Let's take just one example—food.

Within our boundaries are some 2 billion acres of land. But only 478 million acres—less than 25 per cent—are useful as cropland. The rest of our land is too hilly, too arid or too lacking in some other quality to be much good for growing food and other crops.

This means we've got 478 million useful cropland acres, not much more, possibly less. Maybe mechanization, irrigation and other new techniques will add to our farmlands, but these gains are likely to be offset by our retiring some of the land now in use.

In 1950 we had 3.2 acres of productive cropland for every man, woman and child in our country. By 1953 our growing population had reduced this to just 3 acres per person. By 1975 we may have only 2.3 acres per person.

*This will still be more than most nations have right now.* America has been blessed in its land!

But, the reason is plain. By careful, intelligent conservation management we can, and must, increase the productivity of our land. By the same token we must, and can, increase the productivity of our industries to meet rising demands for jobs and products.

Good soil management includes plowing back nourishment into the soil to increase its productivity. Good business management includes plowing back profits into industry to increase its productivity.

But, first, there must be incentive.

A farmer who saw most of his increased crop confiscated would lose this incentive. In the same way, a tax system that takes too much of a company's earnings destroys the incentives for industrial expansion.

It is this expansion, alone, that can provide the new jobs and the new products our growing population must have.

# Our WHEELABRATOR In Cleaning of Brake Shoes



A profitable new field has been opened for the Wheelabrator— that of cleaning brake shoes. Although we now have more than 30 users of our machines, the potential holds much promise.

The National Brake Service of South Bend, where a 20" x 27" Wheelabrator Tumbler has been in operation for several months, is enthusiastic over results. "Replacing belt grinding for cleaning used brake shoes, with this Wheelabrator method has slashed our relining costs and made a tremendous improvement in our operations," say the partners of this firm.

Grinding was time-consuming, monotonous and unsatisfactory. The owners say that if they had to go back to the method they would be ready to give up the business. Previously it would have taken two men about 10 hours to

prepare 300 shoes for relining. Now the shoes can be done in one hour and 45 minutes. The Wheelabrated surface is excellent for relining, whether the lining is to be bonded or riveted on. National Brake reports that they have not had a single bond failure which could be attributed to an improperly cleaned shoe since the Wheelabrator has been used.

In one of the pictures is Earl Huffman, one of the partners of the firm, as he inspects a cleaned shoe. Note the uncleaned shoes in the box. Shown also is a shoe, before and after cleaning.



## Letter from Britain

Following is a portion of a letter we received from Beryl Miodowski, Cost Department, who is vacationing in her native England and other countries: "We arrived in England after a lovely time on the Queen Elizabeth which took four and a half days for the crossing. For the first few days in Cheshire we were busy greeting old friends and relatives. Yesterday we arrived in London on our way to Paris, Brussels and other places of interest. Before coming back to the states we will visit Dublin in South Ireland. Nothing here seems to have changed much. I miss everyone at AWECO. The highest temperature so far is 70° which is considered hot for English climate. It's just warm enough to get about comfortably. Hope you are all working hard. Will try to keep you up to date on any news over here."

## Letters of Appreciation from Scholarship Winners

Here are two letters which came to AWECO recently, both in regard to the scholarship awards:

Dear Mr. Andrus:

I would like to express my appreciation to you in regard to the Verne E. Minich Scholarship for which I have been chosen. I realize that it is indeed a privilege and distinction to be selected for such an award. I intend using the scholarship to full advantage at Purdue and will work diligently to maintain it.

Sincerely yours,  
John A. Whitmer.

Dear Mr. Pfeil:

I feel that I owe you and American Wheelabrator an enormous thank you for making it possible to attend Notre Dame on your scholarship. It will be a privilege and an honor to attend on the scholarship you have made possible. I understand that in a few years the scholarships are being extended, for which you should be commended highly. I am sure John Whitmer feels the same as I do in that we were very fortunate in being the first ones. It was also a pleasure to have met you personally. I shall keep in touch with you on how I am doing in school. Thank you again.

Sincerely yours,  
Larry Metcalf.

# VISITOR FROM THE PHILIPPINES

L. M. Hausman, Foreign Agent of Griffin Machinery Corporation, has been named to represent AWECO in the Philippine Republic. Mr. Hausman is a long-time resident of that country where for many years he has been an engineer and sales representative for various industrial equipment lines.

During World War II he was for more than three years a prisoner of the Japanese in the notorious Santo Tomas prison camp near Manila. Since the war Mr. Hausman has played an important role in working with the Philippine government to rebuild and expand the economy of that country.

We are quite pleased to add this firm to our list of foreign representatives. Mr. Hausman stopped off at AWECO recently for an informal conference with Ernie Gilman and Bob Hordan, so we had a chance to get this picture of the trio.



## People and Events in the News

The International Council of Industrial Editors, of which your editor is a member, recently sponsored a program by which several hundred employee magazines were given evaluation ratings. PARADE among them. The scores ran all the way from 45 to 97, with PARADE getting a score of 89. The board which took several weeks in reading a great volume of material before arriving at their decisions, was composed of top men in the fields of editing, writing, printing, illustrating and photography. All entries were judged on the basis of editorial balance and objectives, human interest, reporting, organization, layout and design, photography, artwork, and typography. The general appraisal of our magazine ran, "a fine example of how an employee magazine should be planned . . . has an excellent change of pace throughout."

Chuck Lemak, formerly of Stationary Room, recently enlisted in the U. S. Air Force. In his first card he sends his best wishes to AWECO folks, and asks that they write to

him whenever they find time. The name and address: Charles H. Lemak, A.F. 18472191, Flt. 3389 Sqdn. 3660, Sampson Air Force Base, Geneva, N.Y.

Top honors have been won by NJSCO, a Junior Achievement company sponsored by AWECO. Eighteen South Bend-Mishawaka area Junior Achievement firms competed in the contest which was sponsored locally by Thomson & McKinnon, members of the New York Stock Exchange, for the best annual report. The Junior Achievement firms are operated by teenagers to familiarize themselves with the functions of business and industry.

Frank Pedrotty, Sales Enkmeier, was elected Grand Knight of Council 1878, Knights of Columbus at a meeting in the council clubrooms recently.

Gerry Bidlack, Steel Shop, was recently elected Commander of Mishawaka Post 161, American Legion. Two brothers, Joe and Kenny, also work at AWECO.

Ed McCormick, Plant Guard, has retired. He came to work at AWECO in May, 1950 after having served on the South Bend police force for many years. Ed plans to "take things easy" from now on. All his friends here will miss that broad smile and booming laughter. In this picture, which was taken on his last day on the job, he says, "So long." To Ed we say, "Good Luck and Good Health!"





# Off the Reporters' Cuffs

## Foundry Shake Out

### Vacation Plans

**Walt Ostrowski**—with three women in the family and all wanting to go different places, Walt is liable to end up in Timbuctoo.

**Calvin Kelly**—Florida to fish for the monsters of the sea.

**Delroy Kinney**—Finally talked the little woman into going back up to Wisconsin fishing again.

**John Williams**—will spend his vacation walking and count over that wonderful stuff known as money.

**Warren Siskle**—Headed for Texas and across to Mexico to fight "El Toro".

**Tony Kelmase**—Been on vacation ever since he hired in so he will probably stay home and work for a change.

**Jim Haus**—Iowa first to see that the corn is tall enough and then to Minnesota to wait a line.

**Morry Huff**—to his cottage at Gravel Lake and hopes far at least one meal of fish.

**Bryon Williams**—home but with a plan to catch all the fish before the dawn in the St. Joe.

**Louis Dowdy**—off to Alabama and we hopes he gets back with no tooth prints in his nose.

**Chuck McConahay**—to Southern Indiana to buy up the entire stock of canned goods produced by the Scott Canning Co.

**Ralph Hensel**—expects to spend 20 hours out of every 24 fishing some place.

**Carol Shireman**—will go two places, home and Dixon Lake. The only reason he will go home is because there is where the food and bed will be.

**Neale Soule**—has to put a new roof on his house because he doesn't have pots and pans enough any more to catch the water when it rains.

**Al Suret**—will stay home mostly in order to protect the family. Has a few short trips in mind.

**Dutch Harrell**—will stay home and chase the bees out of his garden. Says it will take his entire vacation check to buy insecticides.

**Clarence Kalsely**—probably won't step out of his yard, not even to take the kids to the wading pool at Merrifield park.

**Jack Brogdon**—home to Tennessee, where he can kick off his shoes and swing on the wild grape vines.

**Walt Brogdon**—plans to spend his vacation in preparing a list of things he wants to buy when his wife gets her bonus check.

**Chuck Vanlillehen**—had to buy six spaghetti dinners so he can't afford to do anything but stay home and wonder why everything has to happen to him.

**Harvey Seblark**—plans to help take all the big fish out of Shavehead lake, so the little ones will have a chance to grow up.

**Dee Snyder**—will spend his vacation walking up and down the aisle of the church so he won't have two left feet, when he leads his daughter to the altar for her coming wedding.

**Lloyd Nicodemus**—will drip and dribble paint from the upstairs down to the basement.

**Mac McCally**—will do his fishing in the gravel pit when not taking care of the new member of the family.

**Al Bbakie**—already has the jump on the Foundry gang, having had a week. With his remaining two weeks he can't make up his mind whether to entertain the dogs or let the dogs entertain him.

**Levi Sutton**—is suffering from a very common ailment known as "back-of-cashitis" and expects to do his fishing in a near by creek.

**PacWee Frick**—will try to perfect a plan, during his vacation, whereby, he can live without working until the kids get big enough to bring home some bacon.

**Joe Viesek**—1 week home working in the garden and 1 week at Detroit having fun.

Charles McConahay, that big game hunter of the Foundry, has added another trophy to his collection.

The other evening, the family was sitting around being entertained by listening to Chuck's account of one of his many hunts, when suddenly outside the house a terrible sound was heard. This was a cross between the scream of a panther and the angry snarl of a bobcat.

Now the "Mighty Mite" being the lord and master of his castle, knew it was up to him to protect his women folk from this angry menace. He grabbed his trusty #2 gauge and headed for the front porch. From there he could see the fiery glare of two saucer-

sized eyes in the bushes. Chuck, realizing that probably only one shot stood between his family and a horrible death, took careful aim and blazed away. A loud thrashing about in the bushes, followed his shot, then slowly into the purple shadows of the night, a great furry form sank down to earth.

As quiet again settled over the McConahay homestead—the tribe came pouring out of the house to acclaim their great protector, Chuck, with the #2 gauge at the ready, cautiously led them over to view this monster. But alas and alack, some unkind fate had played the lad for a sucker and the monster turned out to be the family cat.

It is doubtful if Charles ever again will attain the former stature in his own home he once enjoyed. In fact, for a while it was touch and go whether he would have a home.

## Machine Turnings

*Louis M. Turner*

Now the main theme is Vacations: **Joe Arnsberger** is motoring in the West—Las Vegas and Bryce Canyon among the important stops.

**Louis Hravins** is catching fish in the lakes around Peru.

**Peart and Keany Sill** are bound for Florida this year. St. Petersburg being one of the main attractions.

**Chas Van Zandt** and wife made a two weeks trip to Canada, then east to New York.

**Harley Muris** and his wife both like to fish and are spending some time in Northern Michigan looking (or hooking) for the fish.

**Bill Shultz** and his family are on a western trip including Yellowstone National and parts of California.

**Ray Good** and wife are spending three weeks at their summer cottage in Northern Wisconsin. The big fish better find a hiding place or else they will find themselves being photographed.

**Bub Newsum, Clay Fisher** and **Keany Sill** celebrated Father's Day in a big way. On Saturday, June 19, they each took a boy as their guest to Indianapolis for dinner and then to the "Indiana and Kenucky H.S. All Stars" basketball game. It was a thrilling game and though the temperature in the stadium hovered around 90°, they all had a good time.

Wedding bells rang July 31 for **Anne Kupesa, Steelsroom**. On that day she was married to **Joseph Ray** in the St. Michael's Church, Misawaka. Our best wishes to you and Joe.

## Steel Stock

*Lynn Bonner*

Frederick William arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ruben Rivin, June 12. He weighed in at 9 lbs. 3 ozs. Bob works in the Steel Shop as a machine repairman.

Somebody goofed — Last month there was written up a story about the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. John Woodfief. This was supposed to be Mr. and Mrs. John Woodruff. John Woodfief used to work in the stockroom and to my knowledge, isn't even married. I am sorry about this error.

## Office Memos

*Carol Staffeldt*

To Ye Editor:

Forty-eight Julianna girls attended the annual picnic at Washington Park, Michigan City, Saturday, June 28. The affair started at noon and broke up about 4 P.M. There was plenty of food and drinks — plus sunburn for all.

Betty Hall, formerly of Payroll, gave birth to twin sons, June 23. Their names are Dantel Gay and Dean Wheeler. Betty and her husband are doing missionary work in Nigeria, West Africa.

That new face in Tabulating belongs to Phyllis McGehe who formerly worked for IBM in South Bend.

Congratulations to Elsie Van Der Heyden, Tabulating, who recently became Mrs. Joseph Cstanzarite.

Your Roving Reporter,  
Carol

## Carbon Copies

*Jim Grambert*

Wedding bells rang July 24, for Della Frisoni, formerly of Personnel, and Jim Grambert. They will make their home in Los Angeles where Jim will attend school.

Ernie Nymun and wife, a son June 6. Papa works in our Dust and Fume Division.

New Tax Exemptions: Ann, formerly of Electrical Engineering, and Rudy Bartich, a daughter June 30.

New Personalities: Patricia Louise Britus, Personnel (prefers to be called

Tippy); Richard Kanouse and Donald the Metz, Downstairs Engineering.

Dick Johnson, recently returned from a three-week vacation touring much of Europe and French Algeria.

## Slag and Spatter

*Walford Gardner*

To Mr. and Mrs. Robert Qualls, June 17, a new citizen of Osceola and the U.S.A. in the person of Debra Lee; weight 8 lbs. 1 oz.

When Bob and his wife started for the hospital the youngest boy asked where they were going. They said they were going to get a baby. He then said "Bring one with a green top and a yellow bottom."

Bob spent a quiet vacation week at home. Quiet, that is, until the new boss spoke up for attention.

Jess Steddie lost her key and didn't know where to find it.

But if she left it alone  
She couldn't get in her home.  
And outside she would have to sit.  
And so she wouldn't get in a stew.  
The boys came to the rescue.  
They presented a house key so plain  
All fastened to a chain.  
Now Jean can get into her house  
again.

According to the story I heard Jean sat at the front door for two hours waiting for friend hubby to come home. When he did he drove to the

back door walked in, as it was unlocked, and went thru the house and unlocked the front door and let Jean in.

The less you say the more people remember.  
—FRANKLIN

Joe Stoddard had a lot of fun the first week of his vacation: painting a house for his daughter. Is that fun??

Herman Jones, on his first week of vacation, played the good brother act and went down home and helped out on a house his sister is building.

Georee Morin says he can't figure out which it is that Jim Hendricks likes to do best: weld separators or bar grating.

Common sense is genius dressed in its working clothes.

—RALPH WALDO EMERSON

## New Faces

Patricia L. Billing, Howard S. Chesier, Alfred H. Childs, Jr., John E. DeGroot, Donald J. DeMetz, Marcelle M. Donahue, Henry S. Fagan, Francis E. Fisher, Richard C. Kanouse, S. V. Kudva, Jerry Lee Pratt.

### Recalled

Cyril Adams, William Beathea, Donald L. Clark, Jimmie Coleman, William D. Crevstin, William H. Gean, Ace Gilliam, Duane Gilliam, Donald Van Ooteghem, Guy E. Weaver, Richard Wolfgang, Nelson Yankee.

## Do Your Best to Enjoy that Rest!



Our company had an attractive display at the Plastics Show held June 7-10 in Cleveland. In almost constant use were a 20" x 27" Wheelabrator Tumbler for deflashing plastic parts, and a Model 29 Liguamite. The former was demonstrated by Bruce Berger and the latter by George Leiser. The photo here gives a good overall view and idea of our booth.

In the Company of WHEELABRATOR DEFLASHING

## AWECO Exhibit at the Plastics Show

# THE PASSING PARADE

When in 1881 the New York Y.W.C.A. announced it was sponsoring lessons for women typists, there were loud protests in the press that female constitution would "break down under the strain."

Pity the poor clerkly man who bought a used car and then discovered he didn't have the vocabulary to run it.

You've read a lot about Reno, Nevada, but did you know that it is further west than Los Angeles?

It was an eight-year-old's first trip to a movie and he didn't think much of the film "Daddy," yawned the kid, "why don't you change the channel?"

John D. Rust, who developed the mechanical cotton picker, had been an itinerant plantation worker who knew the back-breaking toil of picking cotton by hand. But he worried that his remarkable machine would put human pickers out of work. Then the northern factories created a labor shortage in the cotton states; human cotton pickers went on to higher wages at fewer hours and less strenuous work, and the mechanical picker solved the South's problem.

Walking into the postoffice, a man listened to two girls talking behind the counter: "She wore a divine cloak;

it was a redingote design in gorgeous brocade, trimmed with fox fur and had wide pagoda sleeves. It must have cost \$100 if it cost a nickel."

At this point the impatient gentleman broke in, "Excuse me, I wonder if you could provide me with a dinky little stamp with perforated hem, treated on the reverse side with a light coating of gum arabic. Something for about two cents?"

Believe it or Not: A filling station attendant in Illinois chased a customer 10 miles to give him a dropped bill-fold containing \$67.

"A helping word to one in trouble is often like a switch on a railroad track — only an inch between wreck and smooth-rolling prosperity."

— H. W. BEECHER

A Communist is one who burrows your pot to cook your goose in.

A man was perched atop a building in a large southern city and it looked like an attempted suicide. A policeman made his way to the roof to persuade him not to jump. "Think of your maw and family," pleaded the cop. "Ain't got any," came the reply. "Well, think of your girl friend." "I hate women!" "All right," said the cop desperately. "Think of Robert E. Lee." "Who's he?" "Go ahead and jump, your derved Yankee!"

## It Happened at AWECO

### FIVE YEARS AGO

This concerns not the absent-minded professor but the absent-minded advertising man. It is reported that Bob Schallfoll was so excited at going away for a business trip that he forgot to take along his suit coat. His devoted wife found the garment draped around a chair and shipped it to Detroit where hubby and his pants were both happy at the reunion.

Dean Hrush, Machine Shop, is finally realizing a fond dream. He has bought a farm near New Carlisle. Besides a farm for raising stock and crops, it will serve as a fishing and hunting area for Dean. On the farm is a real lake surrounded by timber.

The secret just got out. The clown in the derby hat and baggy pants who performed so well the other night at the P.T.A. Circus in Elkhart is a quiet and reserved fellow on the job. Believe it or not, his name is Art Fuller. Ringling, Barnum and others please note.

Here is the result of the latest survey among AWECO folks. The question was, "What do you know?" The answers follow: Phil Jordan: "Not much. Very Little." Tom Hamline: "No comment — just got in from Kokoro." Len Nelson: "Nothing." Gerry Grove: "Nothing, not a thing." Julie Skene: "Not much." Andy Federnok: "Nuttin." Jim Evans: "Not much today." George Roper: "Save your money and buy beer." Ardee Freeman: (Just shook his head, no). Wali Samed: "Why?" Harry Smith: "Still on my buzz saw."

### TEN YEARS AGO

The Servicemen's Gift Committee has issued a \$25 War Bond to L.P. Blinton. The Committee credits the account of each serviceman outside the continental United States with \$1 each month. This is the first bond to be issued a serviceman. Bob has been out of the country since March 12, 1942, having served with the air corps in Trinidad, Netherlands, West Indies and Panama.

Letter from Darrel Uinos, North Africa: "Received your Christmas Check and was very pleased with it. I am in North Africa as you might already know. I can't say anything good about the place so I won't say anything. I receive the 'American Parade' each month and I enjoy it very much, so thanks a million."





## Juliana Pic-Nic-Chicks

It is said that one picture tells the story better than a thousand words. Well, here are several photos which tell a relaxing story. The characters—Juliana girls. The occasion—their annual picnic. The place—Washington Park, Michigan City. Now take a look at the pictures—if you happened to read this first.



## Tropical Fish — Interesting Hobby



Dale and his wife enjoy the continuous show put on by the inhabitants of the aquarium. If you look closely you may see another pet which makes a bid for attention—a Parakeet perched on Dale's right shoulder.

Dale Davis, Pay Roll Department, and his wife used to visit friends who had a few tropical fish. The more Dale saw of the colorful nites, the more determined he became to obtain some for his own home. That was over a year ago, and now Dale has a good start toward a fine collection. Among the species he now has are Angel Fish, Black Mollys, Serpies, Platies, Piris-

tellias, Catfish, Guppies, Swordtails, Zebras and Striped Barbs.

Dale says that for the little time involved in caring for the fish the hobby is a most satisfying one. He remarks on how the various species have their own distinct habits and characteristics. Even within one particular species certain members seem to have a personality of their own.

I was surprised at the clearness of the water in the aquarium, and Dale told me it was due largely to the snails and Catfish who act as scavengers in keeping it clean, although there is a filter in the bottom of the tank. In this connection, Dale says that the snails never molest the fish, but as soon as a fish dies, the snails immediately devour the carcass.

Most persons, in studying tropical fish, remark on the peaceful effect it has on one. Perhaps this is why they are becoming increasingly popular. Even many doctors and clinics now have an aquarium in their offices. When a waiting patient gets absorbed in the antics of the fish he just doesn't have time to brood over his immediate problem.

## Death and the Cash Register



Did you ever stop to realize that the accident you were not involved in costs you money just the same? Maybe you were lucky, at that—lucky not to have been maimed or killed. But you don't get off scot-free. Every accident costs you money in the form of increased insurance rates. Insurance rates are determined each year on the basis of the accident experience of the preceding three years. In areas where residents have had accident records, insurance rates are higher.

Strict enforcement of safety regulations will cut down many accidents. But you, yourself, have the big responsibility. Play with care—drive with care—work with care. Learn to observe common-sense precautions. Keep your car, tools and machines in safe-operating condition. The only way to reduce the cost of accidents is to reduce the number of accidents.

If none of this seems to apply to you individually, think again. You can still do a lot of good if you try to show the other fellow the wisdom of safe practices. If we all do this there won't be so many payrolls rung up on the cash register of everyday living.

## VET of 25 YEARS PLUS



According to our record James Hurst, Steel Shop, has been with the company since August 7, 1929. Jim, however, says he first came here August 2, 1926. He quit November 1, 1927, he says, and came back the latter part of February, 1928.

His first job here was wiring of Sand Cutters. Jim, in comparing the present with the past, has this to say: "When I came here they had about 80 or 90 working, office force and all... where the Steel Shop is now there was nothing. The company at that time made only Sand Cutters, small cabinets and sand blast rooms."

Jim's Present Job is Semi-Lay Out. He thinks he may retire sometime next year, but he has no definite plans made as to how he will pass the time from then on. The chances are though that he will find something to interest him, since he has 10 grandchildren—and a nice Profit Sharing check coming. On the subject of Profit Sharing, Jim simply smiles and says: "It sure is a wonderful thing."

# THE RESTFUL YEARS

*There are no friends like old friends,*

*And none so good and true;*

*We greet them when we meet them*

*As roses greet the dew;*

*No other friends are dearer,*

*Though born of kindred mold;*

*And while we prize the new ones,*

*We treasure more the old.*

Not long ago we stopped in for a short visit with Wilbur Hays, who worked on the Steel Shop assembly line before retiring two years ago. He was glad of the chance to talk with someone from AWECO, and sent along his best wishes to his friends who are still here. Wilbur was with the company about ten years.

At 74, he is in good health, and enjoying himself. He says he is kept busy working in the garden and yard, visiting friends and relatives, and catching up on his reading. One of the photos here bears out what he says about "book reading," while the other shows him taking a look at one of his evergreens.

Wilbur seems to be thoroughly enjoying life in his comfortable little home, which he reminds us, was paid off with his share of the AWECO Profit Sharing Fund.



## Dustube and Aspirin

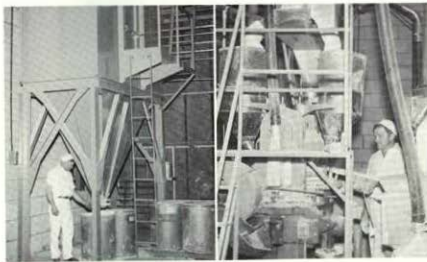
If you take Aspirin you may be using a product which has been manufactured with the help of our equipment. The Norwich Pharmacal Company of Norwich, New York has installed a Dustube Collector which is being enthusiastically acclaimed by officials of that firm. The head of their Chemical Division has this to say: "I would say that the dust collector application was a complete success and all conditions, both financial and physical, have been improved due to its installation."

In the manufacture of Aspirin tablets a pre-compressing step is necessary to obtain the highest quality tablets. In this operation Aspirin and starch are mixed in proper proportion and fed to a compressing machine known as a slugger. Large slugs an inch in diameter and a half inch thick are produced from this operation and in turn are run through a granulator. This material is fed through a sifter to classify it as to size and the resulting granulation is then ready for finished tablet operations. The equipment used to manufacture this granulation is set up in a continuous flow pattern which means that there are

many points where conveyors discharge into hoppers and hoppers into equipment. This means that each point is a source of dust.

The problems which existed before the installation of our equipment have all been reduced or eliminated—the

health and comfort of the workers, the financial loss of the Aspirin dust and the excessive wear of machinery involved. One might say that our Dustube Collector has done away with a "big headache" for the Norwich people.



(Left) — Our Dustube in operation. (Right) — This is where starch and aspirin are mixed and fed to a large compressing machine known as a slugger. Slugs are then granulated, sifted and the powder goes to finished tablet operations.



Granis Gerlier, Demonstration Lab, came to work here in March, 1943. Before that he had worked in the machine shop of Dodge Manufacturing Company. Granis is Canadian of the department. When not on the job, he is busy at home maintaining a nice lawn and flowers, and keeping up his house. Granis and his wife belong to the First Church of the Brethren.



Amos Kirk, Steel Shop (Nights), has been at AWECO since December, 1935. He had worked previously at the Oliver Corporation. Amos works as Acetylene Burner. He says that most of his outside activities are confined to reading and gardening.



Marlene Cleary came to work here in the Mill Room in August, 1953. Before that she had been employed for a short time by the A. & P. Super Market as a cashier. Her typical duties are opening, sorting and distributing the incoming mail. Marlene takes part in swimming, dancing, tennis and likes to watch football games. She belongs to several church clubs.



Ray Knell, Steel Shop, began employment at AWECO in September, 1942. He used to work for L.K.L. Furniture Company of Goshen. Ray works on the assembly line, acting mostly as a Wheel Setter. He is kept busy in spare time with TV, fishing and gardening. Ray is a member of the First Baptist Church of Mishawaka. He is married and has two grown-up children.

## AWECO FOLKS on the JOB



Al Jelderks, Steel Shop, has been around since November, 1942. Before coming here he was with Northern Indiana Public Service Company. Al usually works on the assembly line, but when we got this picture he was helping out in the Blacksmith Shop. He says he "likes to tinker around the house keeping it in good repair." He also spends some time in refinishing furniture. Al is married and has two sons and two grandsons.



Anne Gibson, Sales, was employed here in September, 1953, after having attended Hanover College. She does secretarial work for Ben Sawyer. Anne says she enjoys swimming, miniature golf, bowling and movies. She still finds time to read and Indiana University Extension. Anne is a member of the Tri-Kappas.



Nada Ward, Engineering, came to AWECO in June, 1952. Her typical duties are fitting and secretarial work for Charles De Craene. Nada enjoys playing cards, dancing, and either watching or participating in all sports. She is a member of the Order of Rainbow for Girls.



Joe Viseak, Sr. came with AWECO in October, 1942, after having been with U. S. Gypsum Company for 33 years. He works in the Foundry on various jobs - copper shot meller, grinder, and assembler. Joe's chief outside interests are fishing and gardening. He is a member of the Eagles. Joe is married and has four children and eight grandchildren.