

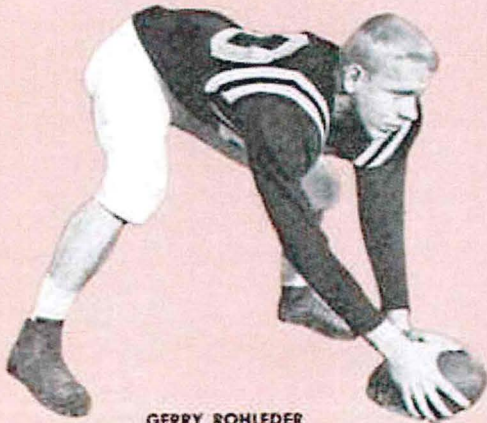
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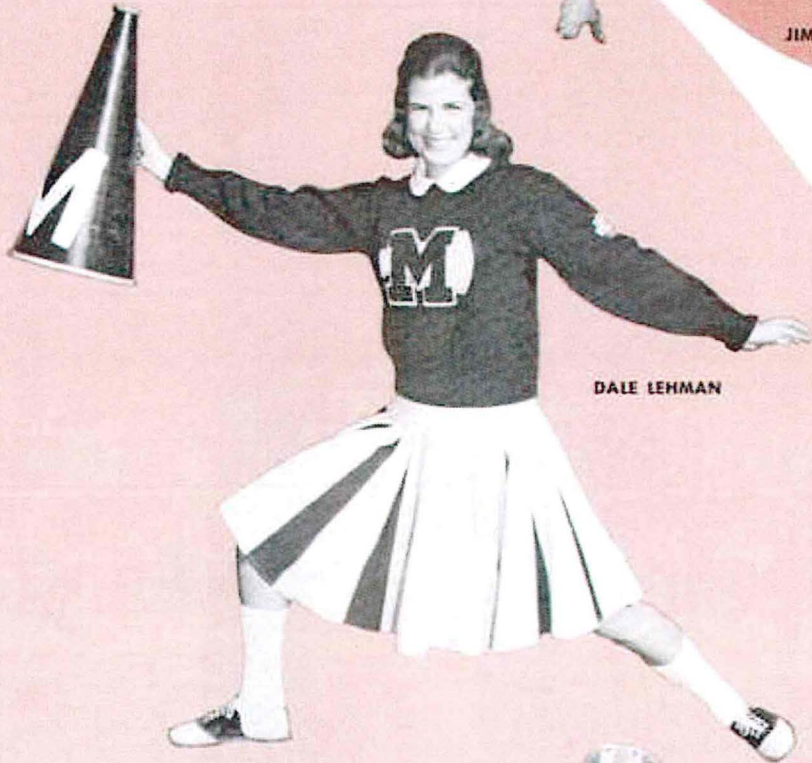
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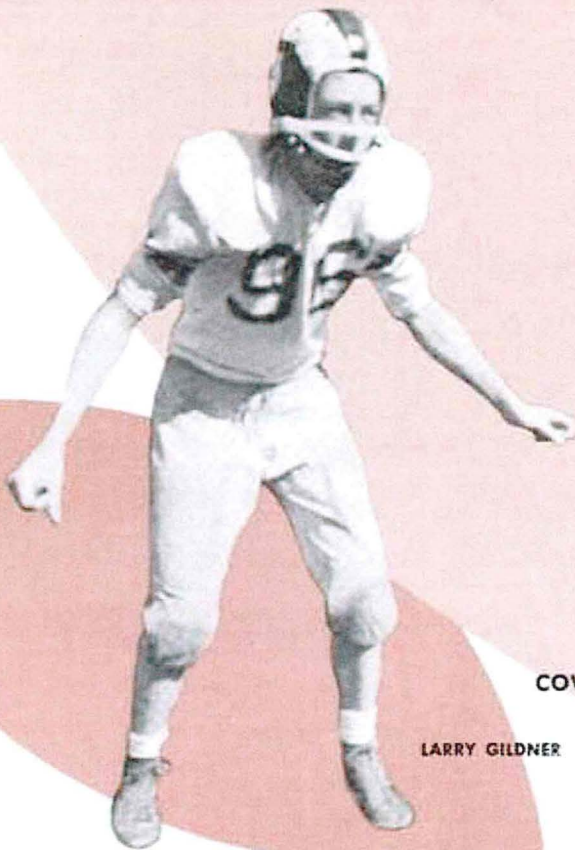
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## KEEPING YOU *Informed*

by *J. F. Connaughton* President

### WHEELABRATOR IS GOING AHEAD

There are many good and solid reasons for Wheelabrator's forward progress:

- We have an intelligent working force that is unexcelled in this area for its loyalty, its skills, and its conscientious teamwork.
- we have the 'know-how' on which to build for the future. Our people in key posts are experts who have the creativity, the aggressiveness, and the inspiration to spark the activities so necessary to progress.
- we have modern plant facilities and are constantly in the process of making them more efficient.
- we have numerous markets for our equipment and are developing more each year . . . a factor that adds tremendously to the acquisition of new business.
- we have national sales and service coverage in all industrial marketing

areas, and men who staff these offices are trained, competent 'go-getters'.

- we have the financial strength to build for the future through research, product improvement, market development, etc.
- we have been building fine customer relationships for more than fifty years, and our customers recognize us as a progressive, responsible, fair-dealing organization in whom they can depend for the finest quality products.

These are the keystones upon which we confidently rely in attaining our established goals. With them in our fold nothing can stop the forward growth of our business and the people who are associated with it.

True, the depression of the last year and a half caused an interruption in our growth pattern . . . but this was

only a temporary hiatus. Actually it sharpened our thinking and gave us the incentive to make our operations more efficient. It made us hard and lean for the big race ahead. And now we are ready to go! In fact we have been going hard since the first of the year, and results have been most pleasing.

There is no thought of resting on past laurels. True, we are leaders in our fields of activity, but we have no intention of resting there. For one thing such action would be dangerous . . . and we wouldn't do so even if we could, because opportunities for developing all areas of our business are simply tremendous.

We look upon these opportunities with the greatest optimism . . . and the increasing tempo of business, the fast moving developments that are taking place in the industrial world, and the demand for goods emanating from the great expansion of our population can only extend the opportunities we envision for the long-range future.

Wheelabrator's growth pattern has been spiralling upward for many years but our chances for outstanding accomplishment were never better. In my opinion, we should set a record during the next ten years that will overshadow anything we have yet experienced. The potentialities are there on which to build . . . and with intelligent planning and determined action we cannot fail to meet our objectives.

## Wheelabrator Acquires Lake Erie Machinery Corporation

In keeping with Wheelabrator's expansion plans, Lake Erie Machinery Corporation of Buffalo, New York has been acquired and will be operated as a wholly-owned subsidiary.

Lake Erie manufactures a wide variety of hydraulic and extrusion presses which are used primarily by metal processing industries. It also makes die casting machines and equipment for the printing industry. The company has been a leading factor in these fields for many years, and has built up an excellent reputation as a producer of quality products.

Since this company will be operated as a Wheelabrator subsidiary, Mr. J. F. Connaughton will continue to function as President and Director of both organizations.

### Promotions Announced

To enhance Lake Erie's growth, in accordance with its long-range potentialities, and to further Wheelabrator's policy of promoting from within, the following changes in personnel were made effective on September 28, 1959.

**Elmer A. Rich III** was appointed



E. A. RICH III



J. M. WOLF



G. O. PFAFF

Vice-President and General Manager of the Lake Erie Machinery Corporation. Mr. Rich was previously General Sales Manager here. He is residing and maintaining his office in Buffalo.

**John M. Wolf** has been appointed Treasurer of Lake Erie and will continue as Controller of Wheelabrator Corporation. He is residing and maintaining his office here.

**George O. Pfaff** has been appointed Director of Marketing for Wheelabrator Corporation. In addition to his current function of supervising Abrasive Sales, he will also be responsible for marketing General Products and Techline equipment and supplies.

We all wish Messrs. Rich, Wolf, and Pfaff the best of success in their new responsibilities.

# Only PROFITS Make PROFIT-SHARING Possible

## How well we work together determines how much we share

Here at Wheelabrator we all share in the profits we make together through teamwork. We share in these profits even before the stockholders whose investments in Wheelabrator make our jobs possible. But, in order for any of us to share, there must be a profit from our operations.

### What is profit?

It is the money remaining after we produce, distribute, and sell our products. Thus, at every step of the way we are dependent on everyone else in the company to help produce profits.

The dollars saved in purchasing raw materials, the hours saved in manufacture, the costs saved in maintaining tools, the sales saved by making a quality product at a competitive price — all these increase the amount of our profit and the amount we share.

To get the most out of our profit-sharing plan we must recognize the value of teamwork and agree that each of us is doing his best to create profits. We must help each other to do our jobs better.

## How well we work as individuals determines how much we share

Doing your job to the best of your ability is the best way to assure more money for you to share. Taking proper care of the equipment you use is another simple way to increase profits . . . and there are hundreds of others.

There are approximately 1000 employees here at Wheelabrator. Suppose that each of us were to save only five dollars weekly by breaking one less tool, turning out one less rejected part, having one less lost-time accident, finding a way to simplify a production job, make one more sale,

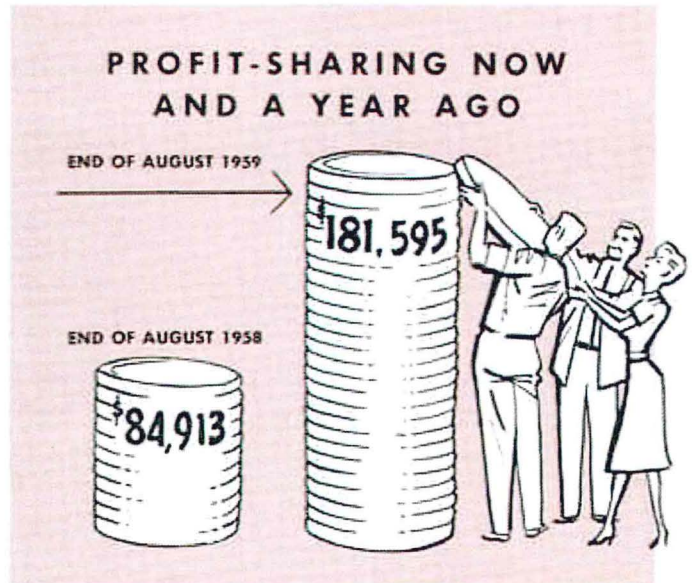
ship an order by a more economical method, buy raw materials at a fraction less cost, make one less long distance call . . . the list could go on endlessly. The result would be thousands more dollars of profit to be shared by all members of the Wheelabrator family.

Such results are not wishful thinking, they can be achieved if we all think of profits as we work at our jobs.

But the Wheelabrator Plan is more than a profit-sharing plan, it is also a savings plan. As you put money into the plan in the form of savings, the company puts money into the plan from profits. This money is then placed in trust for you and invested to earn more money.

You make your share grow bigger as you save more and as you make the company and its profits grow.

REMEMBER . . . the more you care — the more you share.



## BOB ORTH APPOINTED TO NEWLY CREATED POSITION

**Robert L. Orth** has been appointed Eastern Regional Manager for the General Products Division. With headquarters in Pittsburgh, he has supervisory responsibilities over the New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Birmingham, and Cleveland territories. This new position was created as another step in improving the sales efficiency of our company. The change was effective August 15.

Before taking over this new position, Bob was Field Sales Manager. Prior to that he served as District Manager in the important Detroit territory.

Bob's 23 years of experience in manufacturing, experimentation, and sales engineering makes him especially well-qualified for this new position. He is a graduate of Purdue with a degree in Mechanical Engineering.

# HAVE BAG . . .



# WILL TRAVEL

In today's competitive world, alert aggressive selling pays off. You've got to go after the available business where business 'lives' . . . it seldom comes to you.

Wheelabrator's success to a great degree, lies in the fact that our people are constantly on the move . . . and making moves . . . to close orders. And that includes our home office sales people, our servicemen, our engineers, and officers of the Company . . . in addition to the regular field sales force of 60 men.

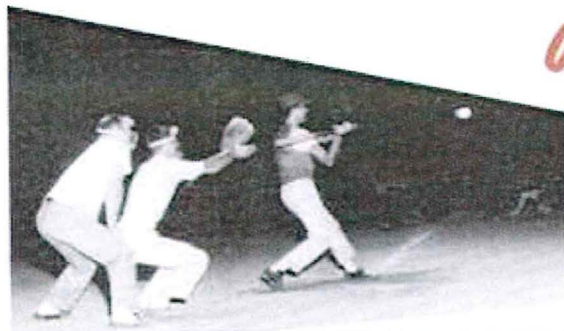
Office folks are sometimes thought of as being a sort of sedentary group, whose greatest daily physical effort lies in walking to the drinking fountain or coke bar two or three times a day. This may be the case in some offices . . . but certainly not here, because our office people are very definitely not chained to their desks. Quite the contrary. It may surprise you to know that at least 10 of our Mishawaka staff have chalked up more than 100,000 miles of air travel each in the past five years.

But the story does not end there by any means! Our home office Marco Polos would make old Mare look like a rank amateur during any time peri-

od you'd care to name. Here, for example, are some typical itineraries picked at random during a two-week period, that prove the point beyond question:

**R. L. Orth**, Los Angeles; **G. F. Burditt**, Columbus, Ohio; Houston, Texas; Wichita; **R. M. Leliaert**, Charlotte, North Carolina; Baltimore; Montreal; **J. E. Skene**, Fitchburg, Massachusetts; New York; Philadelphia; **R. E. Rioridan**, Cleveland, Mansfield, Toledo; **F. J. Pichard**, Indianapolis, Seattle; **R. L. Smith**, Oshkosh, Wisconsin; **R. T. Pring**, Toronto, Copper Cliff, Ontario; Regina, Saskatchewan, Winnipeg, Manitoba; **K. E. Blessing**, San Francisco, Emeryville, California, Seattle, Portland; **George Pfaff**, Chicago, Dallas, Los Angeles, San Francisco; **J. E. Kelly**, Buffalo, Elmira, Newark, New York City, Detroit; **G. E. Medlock**, Rockford, Illinois; Beloit, Wisconsin; Chicago, Indianapolis, Chattanooga, Atlanta; **J. S. Robinson**, Newark, Lewistown, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania and Cleveland.

**Bruce Berger**, Chicago; **A. H. Freeman**, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania; Elyria, Ohio; Muskegon, Michigan; **G. W. Roper**, Madison, Wisconsin; New York City.



## Old Timers Win



No one is quite certain just what the final score at the old timers game really was. It is agreed, however, that the old timers did win the game. Whether the final score was 5-2 (that's what **Harold Groh** says) or 7-2 (that's what **Bob Gibbens** says) everyone had a good time.

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## ON THE COVER

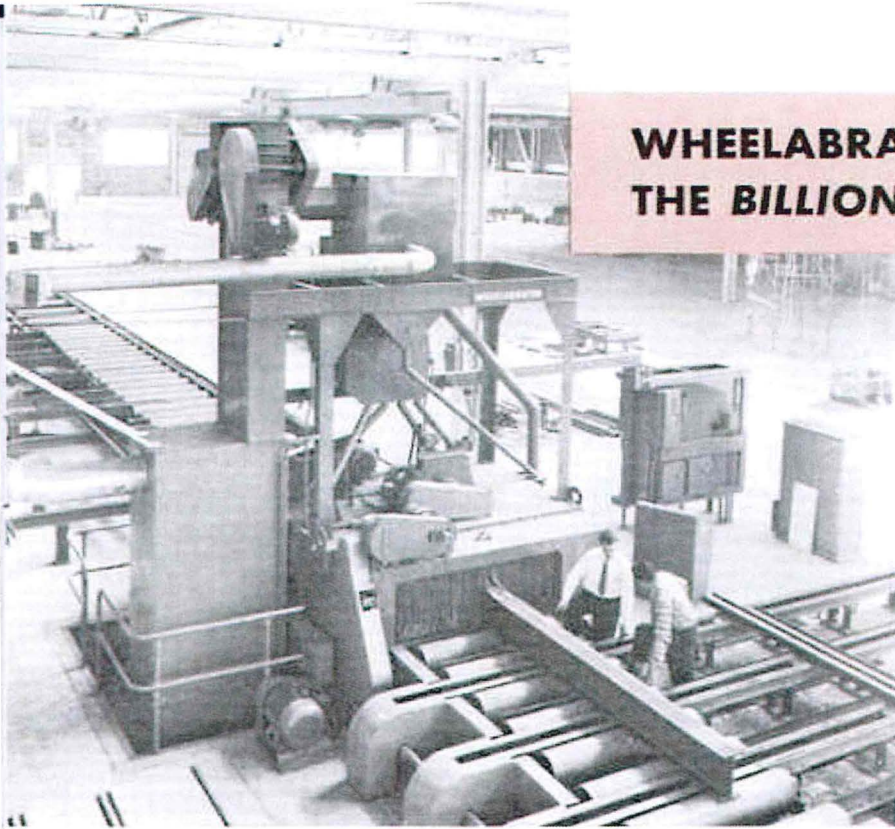
It's that time of the year again. Pigskins fill the air all across the country. And along with it comes all the excitement and color that makes the football season such a favorite.

Pictured on the cover are footballers and cheerleader, Dale Lehman, daughter of **Marie Lehman**, Purchasing, Jerry Jack, son of **Cecil Jack**, North Shipping, is playing center for St. Joseph's High this fall. Also at St. Joseph's is Jim DeCraene, son of **Chuck DeCraene**, Dust Collector Engineering. Jim is a tackle on the Freshman team. Larry Gildner, a tackle at Mishawaka High is the son of **Richard Gildner**, Assembly. **Ken and Ruth Rohleder** of Engineering and General Products Sales are the parents of Penn Township's center, Gerry Rohleder.

## FINAL STANDINGS

Athletic Association	TEAM No.	WON	LOST	TIED	POINTS
Golf League					
Cookie-Turza	13	12	3	0	24
Gibbens-Groh	10	11	4	0	22
Deal-Termont	15	11	4	0	22
Rioridan-Jordan	2	9	6	0	18
Schulte-Heckman	5	9	6	0	18
DeKeizer-Davidson	9	9	6	0	18
Whitney-Aguirre	16	9	6	0	18
Pedrotty-Ostrowski	14	8	7	0	16
Fenska-Hameline	3	7	7	1	15
Hitt-Dinger	4	7	7	1	15
MacMillan-Smith	6	7	8	0	14
Soviak-Kaufman	7	6	8	1	13
Swardson-Medlock	8	6	9	0	12
Pawloski-McCullough	18	6	9	0	12
Hysinger-Roper	11	3	9	3	9
Steele-Leliaert	1	4	11	0	8
Skene-Cline	12	4	11	0	8
Leuthold-Wilkins	17	3	10	2	8

## WHEELABRATOR ON THE TRAIL OF THE BILLION-DOLLAR PAINT THIEF



Many millions of gallons of paint are wasted each year on steel surfaces. Figure in the labor and the bill runs over a billion dollars in the United States alone. The George Washington bridge, for example. It has been said that it costs more to paint the bridge now than it did to build it.

This tremendous dollar waste is due in large part to improperly prepared steel — painting over mill scale (a kind of rust) on most fabricated steel surfaces. Failure to remove this scale results in spalling of the surface —

often acutely. And in the process, the paint coating goes with it. It may happen within three months. Under ordinary conditions it happens within one or two years. Painting over mill scale is the same as throwing good money away.

That's not all. Wherever base steel is exposed through peeling mill scale, an electrical corrosion cell is set up. This causes rapid pitting. In salt atmospheres a  $\frac{1}{4}$ " steel plate can be perforated in two years.

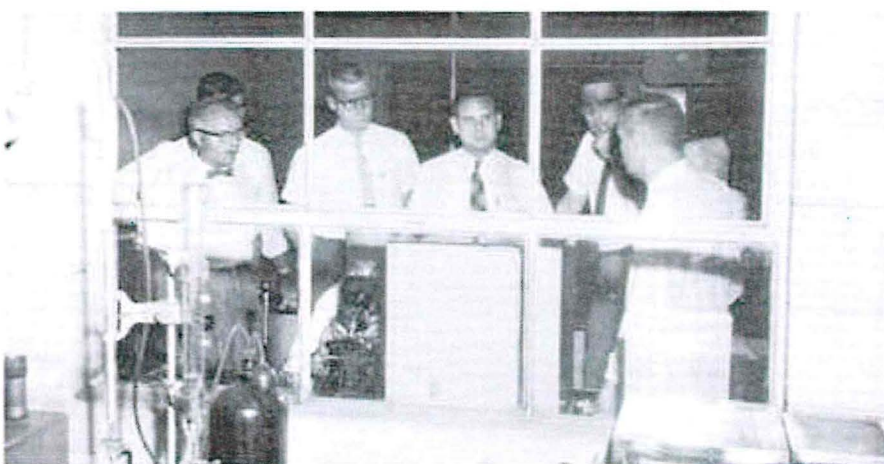
To try to solve this problem, many

plants and owners of other steel structures clean off the offending surfaces, wire brush them and then repaint. What they don't know is that no paint will permanently stop mill scale from flaking off. Unless mill scale is removed, the cycle of peel and repaint is inevitable. And severe damage to structural members may eventually result through loss of design strength or perforation.

Wheelabrator is doing something about the continuing waste of paint from mill scale. Since the only sure way to lick this problem is to take mill scale off in the first place, several progressive steel fabricators have turned to Wheelabrator to remove scale and rust from the steel it uses — H-beams, I-beams, angles and channels.

Dominion Bridge Co. Ltd. in Toronto and Vancouver plants, for example, are now Wheelabrator cleaning all steel used in the structures it fabricates. One of the reasons is specifications by the Canadian government that "clean" steel be used in bridges and other structures built for the government. Although governmental action was required to start the ball rolling, private industry, aware of the savings inherent in clean steel, is becoming convinced that the Wheelabrator is a "must" in its operations. Here is another of the many potentially big markets for Wheelabrator equipment.

## ABRASIVE FORUM



Peeking through the window we see a group of visitors getting some valuable information from Charles Carlin, Chief Metallurgist, extreme right. Not in the picture is Don Swardson, Abrasive Specialist, who along with Charles conducted an abrasive forum on August 24 and 25. This forum on evaluating and testing the physical properties of ferrous abrasives was attended by eight representatives of blast equipment users.



**R. L. Slocum**  
New  
Metallurgist

Richard L. Slocum came to Wheelabrator on August 10 to assume responsibilities in the metallurgical laboratories.

Dick is a graduate of the Michigan College of Mining and Technology with a degree in metallurgical engineering. Since graduation in June 1958, he has been with the Clark Equipment Company in Buchanan, Michigan.

He and his wife, Carol Jean, reside in Niles, Michigan.

# The Passing Parade

## PARADE REPORTERS

**FLORENCE DUNCAN**  
Office - Engineering (Downstairs)



**MILFERD GARDNER**  
Steel Shop

**SEVILLA MAY**  
Office - IBM (Upstairs)



**BLANCHE NULL**  
Stock Room

**Linda Marker**, Mailroom, resigned to attend Iowa Wesleyan College, Mt. Pleasant, Iowa. Wesleyan has a girls basketball team and we're all betting that Linda will make it. Before Linda left for school she was awarded the honor of "Outstanding Junior Leader of St. Joseph County" in 4H work. (F.D.)

**J. I. Bostick**, Purchasing Agent, resigned as of September 15 to go into business as a real estate broker with Place & Company of South Bend. We all wish him a very successful future. (F.D.)

**Al Aguirre**, Cost, has accepted a teaching position at Central High School in Mathematics and Commercial subjects. (F.D.)

Mr. and Mrs. **Camiel DeKeizer**, Cost, are the proud parents of an 8 pound boy, Dennis, born September 7. (F.D.)

**Chuck Slane**, **Cecil Millemon**, **Camiel DeKeizer** and **Ed Sullivan** took a trip to Chicago to see a ball game. The boys made a record driving there but took twice as long coming back. (S.M.)

*In this world there is always danger for those who are afraid of it.*

GEORGE B. SHAW  
Irish Digest

A grand time was had by all the girls who attended the Julianna picnic. Chicken, ham, potato salad, macaroni salad, and pie were enjoyed at

Maxinkuckee Lake. The girls had a good time on a sight-seeing boat — lots of food, lots of swimming, lots of girls, and lots of fun. (S.M.)

How good are you at solving a mystery? It seems that **Mary Golba**, Billing, parked her car for a few moments in front of the bank and upon returning found a couple sacks of groceries. Mary tried to find the owner, but it was impossible. Now it's your turn. (S.M.)

The girls in IBM are going to buy **Gretchen Smith** a compass. A group of girls went out for dinner one night and were supposed to meet at the Volcano. Gretchen and her companion started out but were halfway to Chicago before Gretchen decided she had gone the wrong way. (S.M.)

If you would like to get some hints on overnight camping trips, consult **Del Canarecci**. She has all the answers. (S.M.)

How many of us have given a thought to our guards? I think that

they are the nicest of any factory around. They know your face, they help you if you lose anything, and they always have a smiling welcome for you. I'd also like to say that the maids and the men who work with them at night are the most trustworthy people in the world. They are always happy to give a helping hand and who doesn't need one sometime or another? (S.M.)

**Alberta** and **Paul Kaufman** enjoyed part of their vacation visiting Alberta's brother, Bill, in St. Louis. (S.M.)

On August 5, **Odette Barcus** presented her husband, Ormond, with a 6½ pound baby girl, Carla Marie. Odette was formerly in Special Equipment. (S.M.)

The annual Julianna raffle went over with a bang. Happy prize winners were **Julie Fuson**, transistor radio, **Tom Leyes**, rod and reel, **Andrew Rupchock**, chaise lounge, **Jack Pichard**, \$10.00, and **Ralph Harrington**, \$5.00. (S.M.)

## Julianna Club Officers for 1959-60



These six pretty girls are the new Julianna Club officers for the coming year. Left to right, board members **Bessie Smith**, **Johanna Wiondels**, and **Janet Patus**, **Sevilla May**, Secretary-Treasurer, **Georgia Smith**, Vice President, and **Marie Lehman**, the new President.

**James Curtis** was all aflutter when tiny Lynn Ann entered this world prematurely July 21. (B.N.)

Every department has absent minded people and the Stockroom is no exception. **Robert Lightner** casually sat down one noon hour, as he always does, at **Don LaPlace's** desk. He toyed with Don's glasses and when the bell rang put them in his dinner pail. It wouldn't have been so bad had Don not looked for about two hours for them. He even followed his footsteps back to other departments thinking he had left them there. At long last, **Joe Halasz** remembered he had seen Robert put them in his dinner pail. Don quickly approached Robert and he flatly denied it. Well anyway, he looked in his dinner pail and sure enough there they were. Robert's face was pretty red and he took plenty of ribbing from the Stockroom. That's okay, Robert, we all have our off days and you were a pretty good Joe about it all. (B.N.)

**Dick Bidlack** is maneuvering a new Ford around. Maybe he'll be pushing this reporter's car come the deep snows this winter. (B.N.)

**George Gay**, assembly line electrician, is coming along nicely with his new home. George is a do-it-yourself builder. (M.G.)

Many Wheelabrator folks took the opportunity to go up to the Straits of Mackinac this summer to see the new bridge. I did and it's a grand sight and a wonderful piece of engineering. (M.G.)

**George Morris** and family spent three weeks at Houghton, Michigan where George formerly lived. They traveled both ways by way of the "Straits" bridge. George says when on a trip to stay out of any forests of mystery. (M.G.)

Several Wheelabrator folks went fishing up in Canada at Burns Camp on Red Lake. Among those who went were **Harold Hoover** and family. Harold reports the walleye fishing good but no great northerns. (M.G.)

About the nicest vacation trip I heard of was the one taken by **Hazel Pace** from the Template Room and **Jean Bodine** from the Steel Shop Office. They flew out to Hawaii and back. Jean's daughter and husband are stationed at Hickman Air Base where he is a chaplain in the Air Force. Both Jean and Hazel enjoyed their trip to the utmost. Jean said the weather and climate were wonderful and the flowers on the island were so large they hardly looked real. From the plane the islands look like immense jewels. Generally speaking, those who have been there say it is about the nearest thing to a Utopia that has so

far been found. The average yearly temperature is 72'. (M.G.)

**Don Miller** of the Steel Shop Office wishes to thank the officers and Steel Shop for the very beautiful floral baskets sent to his father's funeral. (M.G.)

### WELCOME TO WHEELABRATOR

During the month of August the following new employees were added:

PLANT 2: **Ernest J. Culp** (recalled), **George D. Crofoot**; PLANT 2 LABORATORY: **Richard L. Slocum**; STEEL SHOP: **Robert L. Littler, Keith F. Redman, Richard F. Bellairs, Joseph J. Vogel, Delvin G. Rumpfelt**; GENERAL PRODUCTS SALES: **Robert G. Pfliegel** (recalled), **Patricia J. Harman, Frances M. Marcin**; ADVERTISING: **James G. Chambers**; PURCHASING: **Louise V. Christianson**; OFFICE SERVICES: **Carolyn S. Steffens, Judith M. Decker, Jerry B. Stewart**; ENGINEERING: **Jack E. Blocker** (recalled), **Bert S. Waznik**; COST ACCOUNTING: **Frank J. Claeys**; DUST AND FUME CONTROL: **Fred A. Lindahl**; GENERAL ACCOUNTING: **Carl D. Rich**; CANADIAN DIVISION: **James R. Wilkinson**.

Temporary and part-time employees: **Rodney L. Ross, Charles W. Martin, Billie G. Hayward**.

### Wheelabrator Folks on the Job



**RUSSELL S. LEARY** is a newcomer to Wheelabrator. He joined us on June 28 as foreman of the inspection department.

Before coming to our company, Russell served as chief inspector at the Prescott Company in Menominee, Michigan.

Russell and his wife, Viola, have two grown children: a son, Russell S., Jr. and a daughter, Diana.

## WAIT'LL NEXT YEAR

"They were individually good, but as a team they just couldn't jell," was the way manager **Harold Groh** described this year's Wheelabrator softball team. "We didn't come through in the clutches."

In the seven-team city league, Wheelabrator won 4 and lost 8 games.

Harold states that the prospects for next year look exceedingly bright. Players who were lost to other teams will be playing for Wheelabrator next season. There are also some good ball players who joined the company too late this summer to get in on this year's action.



Front row, left to right, **Harold Groh**, playing manager, **Rick Knouse, Robert George, Jim Pringle, John Keller, and Glen Martin**. Back row, **Art Weber, Joe Weinkauff, Ron Middy, Kenny Williams, Keith Miskler**. In front is batboy **Mike Groh**. Missing from the photo are **Don DeMetz, Ed Nielsen, and Bill Purtee**.

## WHEELABRATOR HOSTS SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS



Five recipients of the **Otto A. Pfaff** and **Verne E. Minich** Scholarships gathered here before returning to school for a plant tour and luncheon. Shown observing one of our Swing Tables are, left to right, **John Farabaugh**, Director of Industrial Relations, Ross Brower, Duane Hutchins, John Schalliol, James Jack, and Ed Straub. Not present for the tour was award winner Eugene Kerckaert.

## ART MURPHY RETIRES

Back in 1926, a young carpenter for Sollitt Construction Co., name of **Art Murphy**, was busy remodeling the offices of an old Dodge division plant. They were getting those offices ready for a new tenant who was moving from Chicago. That firm was the American Foundry Equipment Company. About a year after AFECO moved in, Art Murphy did, too. That was on December 14, 1927.

During his 32 years here, Art has always been in building maintenance. He began as a carpenter and in 1939

took over as foreman. Until his retirement on September 15, he was Supervisor of Maintenance.

Now Art plans on taking life easy for a while. This fall he will get in as much fishing as possible. Then he and his wife, Cordelia, will travel to Florida for the winter. Next spring Art will see how he reacts to a life of leisure. He says he will probably get bored by then and have to find something to do.

"I've sure seen a lot happen around here," Art said. "... it's been quite a pleasure."



Friends in the Maintenance Department say good-bye to **Art Murphy** who retired on September 15. Fellow workers presented him with a new wallet. At a farewell gathering the day before, Art received a wrist watch from **Stanley Krzeszewski**, Vice President and Factory Manager, in behalf of the foremen and superintendents in Plants 1 and 2.



Once each year the United Fund asks for the support it so greatly deserves. Once each year we who work at Wheelabrator have the opportunity to consolidate our gifts the United Fund way through the payroll deduction plan . . . to help pay for the services rendered to the people of St. Joseph County.

The 1959-60 Torch Drive opens this month. Acceptance for membership of the Society for Crippled Children and Adults, increased population, rising costs, and the cumulative effect of previous fund-raising failures requires an increase in collections. If the United Fund Drive should fail again this year it will probably result in independent campaigns by the organizations who are now supported by the Fund. Let's do our share again this year to keep these drives under one United Fund.

Employees are being asked to subscribe to one hour's pay per month as proposed in the recommendation of the Labor Participation Committee composed of labor representatives from local industries.

Help light the way.

## Who Can "Freeze" His Social Security Record?

If a worker becomes so severely disabled before he reaches age 65 that he cannot do any substantial work, then, stated R. A. Hoyer, Manager of the South Bend Social Security Office, he should freeze his account to assure that his future benefits will not be reduced.

Hoyer pointed out that a worker cannot freeze his Social Security record if he has been laid off or is unable to find work. There is no provision in the law for a "freeze" to protect the worker who is unemployed. The freeze is a disability provision only and the worker must be physically or mentally unable to do any substantial work in order to freeze his Social Security record. Hoyer advises anyone who needs more information about the disability freeze provisions to contact the South Bend Social Security Office at 335 North Lafayette Boulevard. Ask for pamphlet OASI-29, "If You Become Disabled."



## Ernie Gibson and Enoch Fetters



Three years ago the dreams of **Ernie Gibson** and **Enoch Fetters** became reality. As active and enthusiastic members of the South Bend Chapter of the National Audubon Society, they yearned for a tract of land which could be turned into a haven for our wildlife. Now they have that sanctuary. Ernie, Enoch, and 200 other members can well be pleased with what they have contributed to the South Bend, Mishawaka, and Elkhart area.

This sanctuary is located just south of Mishawaka on Clover Road. Here the society owns 22 acres of wooded and cleared land which includes a two and one-half acre pond. Members have planted 25 species of trees and shrubs to feed and protect the 137 species of birds that have been recorded here.

Ernie explains that the real growth of the organization has taken place in the past five years. The interest resulting from the development of the sanctuary accounts for much of this.

... enthusiastic members of

### The South Bend Audubon Society

At the present time there are over 200 members who contribute much of their leisure time keeping the sanctuary a place of natural beauty.

#### Visitors are Welcome

Ernie and Enoch are quick to point out that visitors are welcome on Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays. Perhaps if you stopped by you would see either or both of these two enthusiasts or other members guiding a group through the sanctuary.

You may be surprised to know that the Audubon Society is not composed merely of bird watchers. It has grown into an organization that includes amateurs and professionals in such fields as photography, geology, botany, and hiking.

The field trips to other preservations



in Indiana and Michigan are of interest to almost everyone.

#### Many Community Services

Among other contributions that the society provides to the community are lectures and tours for the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, schools, and civic organizations. They also erect the displays which you have probably seen at your local bank or library. The South Bend Chapter also co-sponsors along with the local Indiana University Center a lecture type film screen tour. These are prepared and edited by nationally and internationally known wildlife experts. A series of five film-lectures are presented each fall at South Bend Central High School. These usually start in October and end in February. Ernie says the 1959-60 tour promises to be a very interesting program. Many Wheelabrator employees, although not members of the society, never miss the screen tours.

Members of the Audubon Society practice their hobby at home, too. Ernie says that his yard is always full of chipmunks, squirrels, rabbits, and birds. This is understandable since he has a feeding station there that acts like a magnet for all our wildlife friends.

We salute Ernie and Enoch on their very fine hobby. We see in the purpose of their organization a true asset to our community:

"The purpose of this branch of the National Audubon Society is to advance the knowledge of conservation, to disseminate this knowledge, and to instruct and provide recreation for the public, and to enrich their lives by increasing their awareness of nature, particularly the conservation of our soil, water, plants, and wildlife."



Once again the tremendous excitement of the country's fastest growing sport is upon us — it's the bowling season. And again this year Wheelabrator has a full schedule of league competition.

This season the league has been increased from six to eight teams by the addition of the Shipping Room and Shot Plant. Another change greets this year's pin enthusiasts as league play takes place on the new lanes at Kosciuszko Club, 410 South Laurel Street, Mishawaka.

Below are the teams making up this season's league.

Steel Shop	Engineering
Machine Shop	Maintenance
Stock Room	Shipping Room
Office	Shot Plant

### Customer Service School

The first of a fall series of Customer Service Schools was held on September 21 and 22 at the Mishawaka office. Attending the two-day conference were 19 engineering, maintenance, and production personnel representing 13 companies from eight states.

The sessions were organized under the direction of **P. R. Jordan**, Manager of Customer Service. He was assisted by **A. H. Freeman**, **J. S. Robinson**, **Armando Nicolini**, **R. C. Fenska**, **H. R. Groh**, **T. F. Hameline**, **G. O. Pfaff**, and **D. A. Swardson**.



"Music and magic," says Chief Research Engineer **John C. Straub**, "is what makes our family tick." John and his wife, Anne, have four children, Ed 19, Dorothy 18, Mary Ellen 15, and Richard 13. All of the children have taken piano lessons since they were in the first grade.

#### A Musical Family

Ed is a junior at Notre Dame this year majoring in commerce. This Pfaff scholarship winner also plays the clarinet and has his own five piece dance band. Then, too, during the summer months he plays with the South Bend Federation of Musicians in Sunday concerts. Throughout the school year Ed plays the clarinet with the Notre Dame-St. Mary's Symphony Orchestra.

Dorothy graduated from St. Mary's Academy last June and this year is a freshman at St. Mary's College. In addition to the piano, she plays the violin and viola. Dorothy teaches the strings to groups of children at several South Bend parochial grade schools. She also teaches the violin and piano at the South Bend Conservatory of Music. Playing in the Notre Dame-St. Mary's Symphony Orchestra along with Ed rounds out Dorothy's busy schedule. It is not surprising to hear that music education is her major at St. Mary's.

Mary Ellen, like her older sister, enjoys playing the violin. She also assists

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## John Straub Family



Dorothy with her classes at the South Bend grade schools. Both Mary Ellen and Dorothy are taking advance courses in the violin and viola at Notre Dame from Dr. Biando, head of the strings department.

Richard, who is in the eighth grade, is equally active. Last year he was president of his school class and is now Supreme Grand Knight of the Knights of the Altar at Holy Cross Church. Richard has a lot of fun playing the cello and the piano and performing magic tricks for his school mates.

#### They're Magicians, Too

Along with this avid musical concern, the John Straub family has an enthusiastic interest in magic. John has been practicing it for many years and has passed his secrets along to his children. As a family they have performed in the South Bend-Mishawaka

area for some time. On several occasions they have executed their tricks at the Abbott Magician's Convention. Magicians from all over the world attend this conclave. Even John's wife, Anne, gets into these acts.

Besides magic and music, Ed and Dorothy have other accomplishments. Ed, during his high school days won the annual speech contest on Christmas seals at St. Joseph's High. Not to be outdone, Dorothy won the same contest at St. Mary's Academy the following year. Then she went on to capture the St. Joseph County crown.

You would think that caring for this busy family and keeping house would be enough for Mrs. Straub. It isn't though. For several years now she has been teaching second grade at Holy Cross School.

The Straub family, along with John's 90-year old mother, resides in South Bend at 2508 Lincoln Way West.

### ABRASIVE ENGINEER TRAINING SCHOOL HELD

An Abrasive Engineer Training School on upgrading Wheelabrator Equipment was held on September 25 and 26 at the Mishawaka office.

Sales Engineers were informed of the latest designs available for field installation on existing equipment. This included Q Wheels, clockdial control cages and sectional guards, and separator modifications.

Those attending were **Joe Janush**,

**Bob Davis, Jack Hansen, Harold Hillman, Dave Kehler, Bob Riemers, Mac McGrath and Ernie McLaughlin.**

**G. O. Pfaff**, Manager of Abrasive Sales conducted the meeting. He was assisted by **Jack Pichard, Dick Fenska, and John Robinson.**

*No matter what the new styles are, the women who are the first to wear them, are usually the ones who shouldn't.*

EARL WILSON

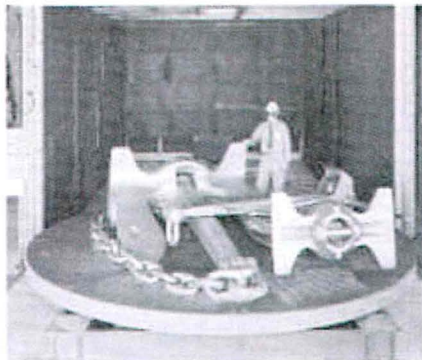
### FORE!

The South Shore Golf Club in Syracuse, Indiana was the site of this year's annual W.A.A. golf outing. Over 50 ardent golfers attended the event on Saturday, September 12.

**Harold Groh**, Steel Shop, and **John Keller**, Engineering, walked off with the top prizes while **Jack Metcalf**, Machine Shop, captured top honors in the blind bogey.

Following the 18 holes of golf, everyone enjoyed a buffet dinner at the club.

## People and Events in the News



The Mare Island Naval Shipyard, Vallejo, California, uses a four-wheel Wheelabrator Car-type Room having a 20 ton capacity 17' diameter work table. The machine is 35' long, 20' wide and 15' high. They also operate a 96" Wheelabrator Swing Table. Of the reported \$385,492 annual savings affected in their blast cleaning operations nearly all of it can be attributed to the Wheelabrator equipment and the use of Wheelabrator Steel Shot.

A color movie showing the application of our Dustube Dust Collectors and special hooding systems in trapping the fumes and gases from electric furnaces has become a 'star' attraction in industry. Its premiere at last year's Foundry Show set the stage for many other 'request-performances' throughout the country including: The Electric Furnace Conference, the Canadian Department of Mines & Surveys, the Ohio Valley Air Pollution Council, General Electric Corp., Crucible Steel Corp., Armco Steel Corp., Timken Roller Bearing Co., Bunker Hill Mining and Smelting, and many others.

The company has increased the value of the Verne E. Minich Scholarship to Purdue University and the Otto A. Pfaff Scholarship to the University of Notre Dame from \$900 to \$1000 per year.

**Robert Riordan**, Manager of Export Sales, spent three weeks in South America during the middle of the summer working with agents and customers in Caracas and Maracaibo, Venezuela; and in Bogota, Medellin, Cali, and Bucaramanga, Colombia.

**L. L. Andrus**, Vice-President in charge of the Dust & Fume Division, was recently honored by election to membership in the National Defense Executive Reserve of the Business and Defense Services Administration, United States Department of Commerce. Drawn from business and pro-

fessional ranks the Reserve would staff the operations of a production agency in the event of a national emergency.

**George Pfaff**, Manager of Abrasive Sales, recently participated in a three-day workshop seminar on the subject of "The Selection, Training and Development of Supervisors of Salesmen", sponsored by the American Management Association. Attending the conference were executives from such well-known national organizations as DuPont, Campbell Soup, Ditto, Inc., Pure Oil Corp., etc.

A market for Wheelabrator equipment that seems destined for big things is the cleaning of structural steel . . . especially fabrications that are exposed to the weather. In the past it has been common practice to paint steel with little or no cleaning whatever. As a result any scale that might be present under the paint eventually flaked off, exposing the bare metal to corrosion. That is why a crew of painters work the year 'round on some of our big bridges. Wheelabrating is coming into its own in this field because it is so thorough in its cleaning action and the job can be handled mechanically rather than by hand. By starting out with a clean steel, the paint adheres in a tight bond and the metal requires painting far less often.

**J. E. Skene**, manager of special equipment sales, has joined the ranks of Wheelabrator authors of technical articles. His contribution "Reconditioning Steel Drums Calls for Abrasive Blasting" was published in STEEL DRUM magazine.

## ROPER PROMOTED

**George Roper**, formerly Customer Service Manager, has been appointed Chief Project Engineer, Dust & Fume Control Division, a post created to meet our growing needs. George has been with the Company since February 1946.



He will be responsible for the proper sizing and selection of equipment, the preparation of proposals, and correspondence associated with this responsibility. George will also continue to be responsible for customer service.

We all wish George the very best in his new assignment.

Our neighbor, Dodge Mfg Co. has installed a 96" Wheelabrator Swing Table to replace an old sandblast room. When the room was in use they often found it necessary to work 3 men nine hours a day and 5 or 6 hours on Saturday to keep up with production. Now the direct labor has been reduced by one man and there has been no need for overtime labor. The two men assigned to the machine also operate swing grinders adjacent to the machine while a load is being blasted in the Wheelabrator.

To keep our organization informed about new ideas and developments the Company circulates a total of 164 trade, business, and technical publications every month.

At the end of September we had shipped more steel abrasive in 1959 than in any previous year. And there are still three months to go.



Chicago Pump Company, leader in the sewage disposal equipment industry, recently celebrated its 50th Anniversary with a large open house display in the LaSalle Hotel, Chicago. Included in their display was a Model Dustube Air Filtration unit to illustrate our equipment they have been selling to municipal sewage disposal plants to provide filtered air to aeration tanks.

## SNAPSHOTS and FACTS



MILLER

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REID

**Donald W. Miller** has been named District Sales Engineer in Philadelphia replacing **W. E. Scherrer** who has resigned. The change was effective August 24.

**Don** joined Wheelabrator on August 2, 1954, as District Service and Sales Engineer. In August 1957 he was promoted to District Sales Engineer.

He is a 1951 graduate of the University of Detroit with a degree in Mechanical Engineering. Don is a member of the Knights of Columbus and the American Society of Mechanical Engineers.

Congratulations, Don, and the best of luck to you in your new position.

**Glen Bohm**, who joined Wheelabra-

tor in November 1957 as an erector has been named supervisor of maintenance. He succeeds **Art Murphy** who retired.

**Glen's** record of advancement is certainly one to be proud of. He rose to foreman of Plant No. 2 in January of 1959 and in April of this year was appointed foreman of Plant Engineering Department.

**Glen** and his wife, **Alice**, have a son, **Tommy** 13, and are the guardians of **Bobby Ann** 14.

**David R. Kehler**, after completing a two and one-half month training program, is now undergoing field training in the Cleveland area. Later **Dave** will be assigned to the Buffalo, New York territory for Abrasive Sales.

**Dave** is a graduate of the University of Florida's College of Business Administration. Since graduation in February 1957, he had been with the J. C. Penny Company in South Bend, recently as a department manager.

**Dave**, his wife, **Loretta**, and three daughters, **Debra** 6, **Robbin** 4, and **Tracy** 1, have temporarily made their home in Cleveland.

We're happy to welcome **Bob Pfliegel** back into the Wheelabrator family. **Bob** first joined the company in March 1957 serving as a Sales and Service Engineer in the Blast Division. Until taking a leave of absence in January of this year, he worked out of Springfield, Massachusetts.

**Bob's** new position is in General Products Sales Department where he is working with **Dick Smith** on special equipment proposals.

**Gerald M. Reid** has just recently joined our company as Sales Engineer in Montreal.

**Gerry** is a 1955 graduate of McGill University in Montreal. Before accepting his new position with Wheelabrator, he served as a foundry engineer with Canadian Westinghouse in Hamilton.

**Gerry** and his wife, **Beverly**, have two children, **David** 20 months and **Barbara** 6 months.

## TWENTY-YEAR MEN



CARL FRIEDRICH

RAY LEUTHOLD

FRED SMITH

JIM DAVIDSON

**Carl Friedrich** celebrated his 20th Anniversary with Wheelabrator on September 29. Prior to joining the company in 1939, **Carl** did construction work with **Whiteomb** and **Keller** in South Bend. During his 20 years he has been a draftsman in the Engineering Department. **Carl** is now responsible for special projects from the time they are rough layouts until the final plans are released to the shop.

A woodworking shop in his double garage provides **Carl** with a useful pastime. He builds kitchen cabinets and is always busy making home improvements.

**Ray Leuthold** is another 20-year veteran in Wheelabrator's Engineering Department, starting on October 16, 1939. **Ray's** first duties with the company were in the Receiving Department where he spent six years. From here he went to our Engineering Dust

and Fume Division as a draftsman. At the present time he handles and releases to the shop all plans on standard and semi-standard dust and fume collectors.

**Ray** says that he doesn't have much time for hobbies since his 17-year old daughter keeps him busy. When time does permit, though, **Ray** likes to do some fishing or swimming.

On October 9, **Fred Smith** will have completed 20 years of service with our company. **Fred's** background of chemical and mechanical experience suits him especially well for the service and sales position he has held for the past 20 years. **Fred**, before joining Wheelabrator, worked as an assistant chemist at **Industrial Rayon** in Plainville, Ohio, and as a machine apprentice at **Brownawalker** and **Red Star Mfg. Company** in Cleveland. He is now sales engineer in our Detroit area.

Twenty years of dust and fume experience with Wheelabrator makes **Jim Davidson** one of our real pros. He joined the company on September 19, 1939, as a draftsman in the Engineering Department working on drawings for dust collectors. In 1945 **Jim** was transferred to the Dust & Fume Division where he is now group leader project engineer. He pioneered the original Ultra-Filtration job in 1947.

One of **Jim's** more recent accomplishments is the design of the giant dust and fume collector at the U. S. Steel plant in Chicago. This equipment handles 1,400,000 cu. ft. per minute and is our largest Ultra-Filtration installation to date.

He has also engineered the development of collectors for the asbestos industry and the new high temperature fiber glass collector.