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DATELINE: JULY 4, 1776 — DECLARATION OF IN-DEPENDENCE signed at Philadelphia. The 56 men who signed the Declaration believed that the entire concept of our Republic was based on three fundamental truths: That all men are created equal; that they are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable Rights — that among these are Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness; that to secure these Rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed. It is in honor of the nation they helped to create, and of them, that we celebrate Independence Day across the country. Here at Wheelabrator, in observance of Independence Day, all departments will be closed Monday, July 3 and Tuesday, July 4th. Have a sane and happy!

ELECTED STEWARD of Local 7 — United Plant Guard Workers of America is Plant Guard **Ray Lambert**. Ray continues as Fire Brigade Leader.

PROMOTED to Group Leader-Plant Security is Ed Gnivecki. Congratulations, Ed!

AND — CONGRATULATIONS to **Dick Fenska**, Manager-Parts Sales, who has been voted President-elect of MSEA (Manufacturers Sales Executive Association which is comprised of sales and marketing executives from local capital equipment oriented companies).

PLANT CATS UP FOR ADOPTION . . . Our feline friends currently residing throughout the plant need new homes since it has been decided we will no longer keep cats in the shop areas. If you're interested, take the cat of your choice home with you.

CONGRATULATIONS to John Divine appointed to a newly created field sales position — PFP Field Sales Engineer. John will be selling Vibratory Finishing Machines, replacement parts associated with this equipment and the Media and Compound used in the process. For the past year John has been a Sales Trainee, specializing in the Vibratory Finishing area. He is a graduate of Indiana University where he majored in Marketing. Good luck in your new assignment, John! NEW FACES . . . We welcome Henry A. Fletcher, Arc Welder-Fabrication; Marty G. Watson, Arc Welder-Fabrication; Henrietta M. Sideritz, Accounting Clerk-Cost Accounting and Lucille A. VanOrman, Programmer II-MIC.

IT SEEMS that whenever opportunity knocks, I'm always out dumping the garbage!

WHO PAYS OUR COUNTRY'S BILLS? We all do — in three major ways: **One** - We pay direct visible taxes, such as Social Security, taxes on income, property, sales and additional federal taxes on gasoline and beer; **Two** - We pay the so-called "hidden" taxes ... taxes that must be paid by business and, in turn, are passed on to us in the price of the product; **Three** - We pay a tax of inflation... one we rarely think of as a "tax." We just know that prices keep going higher and higher.

Because none of us really like taxes, we are getting more and more upset about the annual bite out of our income and we shake our heads in disbelief at our Social Security withholding increases year after year.

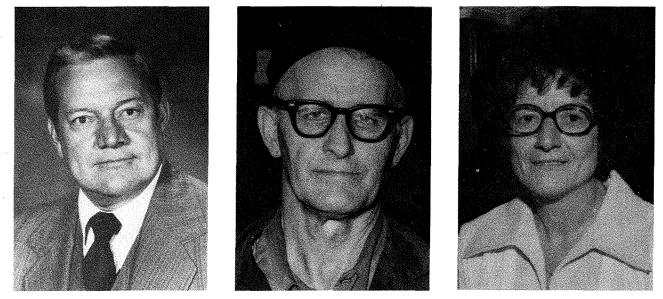
When we express our displeasure, it drives many legislative representatives (who want to be re-elected) into trying to fool us by proposing legislation which would collect as many taxes as possible in a hidden way that we may not be able to recognize quickly . . . supposedly lifting the tax burden from us as individuals and loading it on business. But since we're the consumers, the taxes come right back to us . . . tacked on every purchase we make.

Even these only yield about three-quarters of the taxes needed to pay for all the things we demand of our government. So, our public servants in Washington resort to the third kind of tax, the brutal tax of inflation.

They borrow money, and allow the outright printing of paper money... which expands our supply of money and results in too much money chasing too few goods. The value of our dollar keeps decreasing and we can't buy as much as we used to with the dollars we have.

What's the answer? Not a simple one, to be sure. But we can start by understanding and helping others to be aware of the plain fact that something-for-nothing is simply not available. We must work hard to elect government representatives who reflect this viewpoint and then share with them the responsibility of providing a "something-forsomething" life. Remember — "Free enterprise — It works when we do."

## ANNIVERSARIES . . .



## **Congratulations to:**

(from left) JOHN H. BURLINGAME, Vice President-International, 25 years June 22; WALTER J. ELLRICH, Tumblast Assembly-Assembly, 25 years June 29; DEL CANARECCI, Assistant Personnel Manager, 35 years July 1. Not available for our cameraman are 25-year men DONALD L. CLARK, Process Control Helper-Plant 2, June 15; and DEAN T. POURNARAS, Equipment Sales Engineer-Eastern Region, June 22. June 24 marked 10 years of service for JOHN CANARECCI, JR., Engine and N/C Lathe-Machine Shop and MUNCY E. HARRIS, Lab Technician-R & D. GEORGE F. JONES, Product Manager-Blastrac Systems celebrates 20 years of service tomorrow.

## ON THE SPORTS SCENE ...

TWILIGHT GOLF LEAGUE RESULTS — After five rounds of play Team 11 (G. Griffin, J. Baker, R. Hullinger, L. Cookie) and Team 6 (S. Sinders, B. Wolff, D. LaPlace, B. Gibbens) lead the league. First Team Low Net (137) Team 12 (F. Walker, T. Banacka, G. VanBruaene, S. Ellison); First Team Low Scratch (155) Team 11; First Individual Low Net (29) R. Slater; First Individual Low Scratch (32) D. Ansbaugh. AND FROM THE WORLD OF SOCCER... Michiana Soccer Association, that is — The Wheelabrator sponsored team "Cosmos" took a second place in the 13-15 yearold youth division. Taking a second place in the 11-12 yearold division was the "Stomppers" coached by Marketing's curly-haired kid **Del Evans**, Industry Manager-Steel. Coach Evans, a rookie to the sport, obviously did a commendable job. Del — next year No. 1!



APRIL SAFETY CONTEST WINNER . . . First place winner in the Safety Contest for the month of April is Team 5. Representing the three shifts of Area 1515 — Turret Lathe-Machine Shop — is the second shift crew. This team also took first place honors in February.