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IN OBSERVANCE OF LABOR DAY, all departments will be closed Friday, August 31 through Monday, September 3. Look for next week's issue of *Wheelagram* Thursday, August 30 — featuring "the picnic."

THE NEXT TIME you hear someone say automation is taking our jobs, consider this: There is full employment in underdeveloped countries without modern machinery, but most people there live in poverty.

That's our choice. We either continue to improve our means of production to feed, house and clothe an increasing population or we fall behind while the rest of the world progresses. In India, everybody works for a living. But that "living" is not for us. Starvation is everywhere because they did not "join" the industrial revolution. They chose the old ways.

America, a hundred years ago, chose industrial progress. We saw that a tractor will feed more people than a horse drawn plow. That a train will move more goods than a wagon. That we weren't dependent on human muscle to get jobs done.

These concepts of productivity have brought us to today's levels of the good life — a forty hour week, good, wholesome food, our own homes, medical care, educational opportunities, leisure time and annual vacations.

For every job the industrial revolution has taken away from us (such as the buggy whip maker or the blacksmith) it has created many new ones, jobs that don't require as much muscle power but produce enough to give us today's standard of living.

It is true that automation sometimes creates job dislocations. But remember this: Only an industrial nation like the United States can afford the luxury of unemployment payments and retraining for the few who lose jobs to automatic machinery. That's because the machinery helps produce enough for everyone. It will, also, as it did for us, produce an even better life for our children.

So the next time you hear someone say automation is taking our jobs — set 'em straight.

NEW FACES . . . We welcome: **Marshall McCullough**, Small Shear Operator-Steel Fabrication; **Stephen C. Jackson**, Grinding & Cleaning Bench Operator-Steel Fabrication.



JERRY ANKNEY, Tax Manager, will serve as the '79-'80 Secretary of the Michiana Chapter of the National Association of Accounting. Congratulations, Jerry!

OUR BEST WISHES to **Joseph S. Pecher**, Assembler "A"—Assembly, who retired yesterday with 27 years of company service. Joe has been on permanent disability leave the past two years.

PROMOTIONS . . . Congratulations to **Jim Fuson** recently named International Technical Liaison Engineer-Export.

SERVICE ANNIVERSARIES . . . Congratulations to **Donald Caparell**, Molder-Foundry, who celebrates 10 years of company service tomorrow.

On The SPORT SCENE...

HITTING THE LINKS . . . After 11 rounds of play, Team 7 (**D. Banacka, D. Barton, J. Coleman, J. Crowe**) moves into the coveted first place slot. First Team Low Net (130) Team 8 (**B. Shultz, J. Ankney, J. Stull, B. Truex**); First Team Low Scratch (160) Team 12 (**J. Baker, R. Hullinger, S. Sindors, L. Cookie**); A tie for First Individual Low Net (28) **H. Breske, D. Wilson**; First Individual Low Scratch (33) **H. Breske**.

REMINDER TO DAWN LEAGUE GOLFERS . . . Today is the deadline for payment of fees for the annual league outing. Contact: **Charlie Burrow** (3 PM-Midnight, Foundry); **Ralph Henzel** (Second Shift, Maintenance) or **Mike Hillebrand** (11 PM-7 AM, Plant 2).

THOMSON FETED . . . Reminiscences and warm wishes were in order when friends and co-workers from Mishawaka and the West Central Region honored JIM THOMSON, Equipment Sales Engineer, on the occasion of his Wheelabrator retirement. Jim has 33 years of company service.

Noteworthy: Recently we featured an item on the "Spirit of '76 — Three Years Later," the 76 Cu. Ft. Super Tumblast sold to Bucyrus-Erie. The initial predecessor to the 76 was the 63 x 96 Tumblast. The first domestic 63 x 96 was sold to Bucyrus-Erie and the salesman was JIM THOMSON!



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