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A Soldier's Prayer



A GTD man in service posed for the camp photographer.

Five GTD Pals Join Air Force

Five GTD boys, three of them sons of GTD workers, have left to join the Army Air Force.

Inseparable since grammar school days, they came to GTD from Greenfield High, from which they graduated in 1941 together. And they left together—to serve in the Army Air Force.

They are: John C. Flavin, 19, son of Mrs. Blanche Gagnon, Pres. of the GTD Girls' Club; John H. Johnston, 18, son of Hazel Johnston of Plant #1; William H. Farrell, son of William Farrell of Plant #2; James M. Rucci, 19, son of Mr. & Mrs. P. Rucci of James Street, and Norman A. Carme, 18, son of Mr. & Mrs. George Carme of 5 Devens Court, all of Greenfield.

From Ft. Devens, they expect to be sent to technical schools for courses in the branches of air corps ground crew work. Christmas, which has been a time for rejoicing down through the centuries, has been darkened many times by the shadow of war even as it is today. But, unlike a year ago, we can today be really thankful for the brighter outlook and can now look ahead with confidence to ultimate victory and the dawn of peace.

To all former G.T.D. employees who have joined the services and are actively engaged in the great struggle, and to all the others who have not been privileged to wear the uniform but have stuck to their jobs, I take this opportunity to express my appreciation for your loyal efforts during the past year and to extend to you the very best of Christmas greetings with the sincere wish that your return to peaceful pursuits will soon be possible.



"Thanks a Million"

Following are a few excerpts from letters received by Mr. Millar in acknowledgment of Christmas packages which he sent to all former GTD employees who had joined the service prior to December 1. Each package contained an assortment of different brands of cigarettes, equivalent to a full carton. With the package was a specially designed Christmas card with a Christmas message over Mr. Millar's signature.

"It is such an organization as yours that keeps the morale where it should be. What I am fighting for is worth living for. It is such sentiments as yours that draws us closer to home, for the mind can travel through space and years, and one can just imagine that he is with you for a moment on Christmas Day. I am sure that

will do the trick. Keep the tools coming; you'll find hands to receive them."

Private John B. Falvey, Detachment Medical Department, 82nd General Hospital, Camp White, Oregon.

"Received your package, and am very grateful for your gift. Wishing you, and all of the employees, a very Merry Christmas."

Corporal George E. Shepardson, U.S. Army Air Force, 457th B.F.T.S. Shaw Field, South Carolina.

"Thanks loads for remembering Pvt. Rice with the Christmas present—which was opened long before the prescribed date, for how was I to know what was inside?"

Put. E. H. Rice, I.S.S. 809 Bks. 231, Sioux Falls Field, South Dakota.

Clear Gas and Tire Applications Through K. O. Armstrong

GTD employees making application for supplemental gas and tire rations may now place their applications through K. O. Armstrong of the Employment Dept.

Mr. Armstrong, as Chairman of the Transportation Committee, through arrangements made with the local Rationing Board, is now authorized to act as representative for GTD war workers before the Board.

This new system will facilitate the handling of gas and tire rationing for GTD employees. It will also show that they have complied with the latest directive of the CDT and OPA requiring that applicants for supplemental gas and tires who claim that they are providing transportation for other war workers, be entered in a carsharing plan organized under a war production committee.

Employees are urged to take advantage of this system which has been set up to help them present their rationing problems to the Board. Applications should be made through Mr. Armstrong to receive the attention of the Rationing Board.

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STRAIGHT FROM THE FRONT

And if our lines should sag and break

Because of things you failed to make;

That extra tank, that ship, that plane

For which we waited all in vain; Will you then come to take the blame?

For we, not you, must pay the cost

Of battles you—not we—have lost. (written by a soldier on Bataan).



LEADSEANGLES

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When a song is taken over by a whole people, you can be sure that it echoes a song in the hearts of the people. The song writer is the gifted one, who, feeling deeply himself, captures and gives expression to the feelings of those around him. Such a song is Irving Berlin's "A White Christmas."

We're all dreaming of a White Christmas. But behind the words and the notes, what we feel may not be so much a looking back to something like a snow-scene on a Christmas card, but rather a longing for, a looking-ahead to the dream that Christmas has always stirred in the hearts of all men. To a world flooded with the clear, white light of faith—a vision of calm and peace and joy. "Peace on earth—goodwill toward men" were the words the angels sang to the shepherds on a hill in Bethlehem. Today the words may be different—but the song's the same—we're dreaming of a White Christmas.

We're singing as we work and fight to make that dream come true. We're fighting to bring to earth the vision of life on earth that the angels' song began.

America's humming its song of hope.

For all those who serve behind the lines or in the ranks—you who are giving your hands, your minds, your hearts—your lives to make that dream come true for all men—this wish

"May your days be merry and bright And may all your Christmases be white."

1918 - 1942 The Mechanic's Part

This poem appeared in the first issue of "The Helix", the GTD magazine, printed by and for GTD employees, twenty-five years ago. The first issue is dated May 1, 1918—then, as now, we were at war. We reprint it here because its message is as timely now as it was then. It expresses for all our responsibility. Then, as now, GTD was working for the boys "over there". The name "Helix" refers to the curve formed by the thread of the ordinary screw.

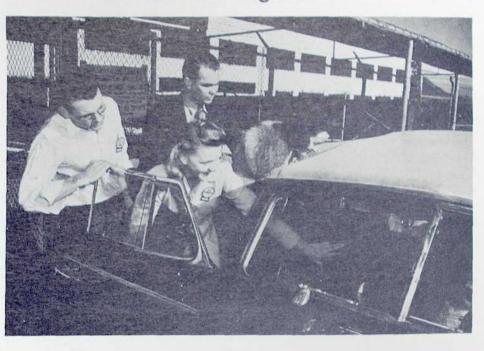
Amid the battle's reek and noise,
"Somewhere in France," across the sea,
There is a bunch of Yankee boys
Whose life or death depends on me;
I do not know who they may be-They do not know my face or name,
But to my skill and loyalty
Their fate's entrusted, just the same.

A rifle or machine-gun part
Wrong ty a thousandth of an inch,
May make a company lose heart
Because it failed them in a pinch;
I must not slack my task nor flinch
From drudgery and dull detail,
Lest in some crucial battle-clinch
The arms we send our boys should fail.

So when I chafe at jobs that irk
Or fret at wearisome routine,
I must remember what my work
And care and watchfulness may mean;
And how our fighters must lean
On men like me for tools of war
That, when conflict waxes keen,
Will do the work they're needed for!

-By BERTON BRALEY in American Machinist

Let's Get Together









PEACE-TIME PRACTICE — 3 cars take 5 persons to work (1.6 persons per car) for 18 months (average life expectancy of each car)







GROUP RIDING — same 3 cars (used in weekly rotation) transport the same 5 persons (5 to a car) for 54 months

GROUP RIDING TRIPLES LIFE OF CAR

We can stretch rubber.

The Jap has seized 90% of the crude rubber supply. But we can still keep our cars going—and beat the Jap—if we just get together on this thing.

The rubber shortage can cripple our transportation system, unless we all face the facts, and decide to do something about it. The best thing we can do is to get the best use we can out of the rubber we have.

Rationing isn't imposed to deprive anyone of the use of his car. It is agreed to by everybody —so that all can share—according to his need—for the good of all.

If we all agree to live up to the rules—if we all share—we'll manage to keep going for the duration.

First, remember the rules-

- 1. Drive under 35 miles an hour.
- 2. Keep tires properly checked and inflated.
- 3. Cut driving to necessary minimum.

We can all agree to cut driving to the necessary minimum Then we can all get together and cut the necessary minimum for all.

How? By sharing the rides.

If each car that pulls into GTD carries its full share of the load—every seat taken if at all possible—instead of just one or two—and we rotate the use of the cars week by week—we can all keep going.

Get your gang together -- and ride against the Axis.



G T D Quiz

Editor's Note: This month a new regular monthly feature of L & A begins. A short quiz on things we should know will be printed here each month. Answers will be found elsewhere in this issue.

If you think you know what it's all about--try these:

What part of a tap is called:

- 1. square?
- 2. shank?
- 3. axis?
- 4. body?
- 5. chamfer?
- 6. external (male) center?
- 7. internal (female) center?
- 8. thread?
- 9. land?
- 10. flute?

Pat yourself on the back if you know all the answers—if you don't, turn to page 7.



PLANT 1

Frank Wagner wishes to thank each and every one of his fellow workers for the gift received for his fifty year's anniversary of service in the Greenfield Tap & Die Corp.

Bob Harris, our elevator man, has a sunny disposition at all times. If you ask him how business is, he replies, "Rushing. Up and down."

Has anybody got a scooter for sale? We'd like to present it to Earl Edes so that he can ride, rather than walk through departments like a flash of lightning.

We hear Anna Tourles of 1-27 is now wearing a sparkler. The lucky young man is Jim Tatakiss. Congratulations to you both.

Arthur Maniatty can't make up his mind whether he likes blondes or brunettes. Well, anyway, think it over, Art. You've got plenty of time.

Bob Harris of Dept. 1-12 was tendered a farewell party by 26 of his fellow workers, at the Montague Inn, Nov. 12, prior to his induction into the U.S. Army. He was an able assistant to Bill Graves. Best of luck, Bob! We all know Uncle Sam has a fine soldier in the making.

Good luck to Chester Kowalski, Walter Finkowski, and George Apple, all in our country's service.

Among the new faces we have noticed in 1-12 are Marion Bliss, Mary Lambert, Wanda Pielock, Rose Ormsby, Joseph Slahetka, and Howard O'Bryon.

What would happen in I-6 IF:

Red Peters stopped chewing gum?
Johnny Collins went out with women?
Kenneth Toomey didn't always sing
"Roll Out the Barrel."

Mr. Bulman ever got to work on

George Maniatty liked to dance? Millie Colucci didn't have nice big, brown eyes?

Adam Budrewicz was a woman hater?
John Daley didn't say a word all

Alfred Courtemanche, Edward Marlowe and Winthrop James weren't so slim?

Walter Rau forgot to yell, "Hey, Leon," every time Leon Riecuch walked by?

Julia Urban didn't like to work?

Jimmy Baird shaved his little

mustache?

Fred Armitage didn't have a dazzling smile?

And if all the wolves turned into sweet Lambs?

We hear Joe Dagilus goes deer hunting after sundown. What kind of deer are you hunting, Joe?



On November 26 Miss Katherine Kurkulonis of Dept. 1-27 became the bride of Pvt. 1st Class Henry Becklo, formerly of 1-7, when he was here on a 15 day furlough. Mrs. Becklo's sister-in-law, Guinivere Kurkulonis was maid of honor and Mr. Paul Pankevich of 1-7 was best man. The bride and groom spent their honeymoon in Canada. Congratulations to you both.

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PLANT 2

Louis Brozo, 2-80, has enlisted in the Navy. Good luck, Louis. Following your buddy, eh? Don't forget us.

Hello's and laughs were sent to everyone in the Production Dept. by ex-order chaser Ed Conway whose address is now: 354th M.P. Escort Guard, Camp Shelby, Miss. Keep up the good work and keep writing.

Mary Adams will be missed from 2-52. Best of luck in your new job, Mary, and we welcome who takes over!

These boys left 2-52 for Uncle Sam's forces: Roland Crossely, U.S. Army; Steve Sanicki, U.S.C.G. and Ed Kowal, U.S.N.

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This space has been reserved for news from GTD's New York and Chicago offices. Howabout filling it up for January? Let's hear from you.

The Editor

Detroit News

Philip Westmore, Milton Payne, and Ernest Kent were appointed to serve as members of the Plant Transportation Advisory Committee and The War Production Committee. They assisted the employees in obtaining their gas rationing books, and are now arranging for share riders and swap riders. This committee will be in effect for six months after the duration.

Pete Roggeman and Rosemary Meldrum tied the knot last month and have set up housekeeping in a cute apartment in the north east section of the city.

Eddie Galvin, Service Engineer, was the proud father of a 7 pound girl last month, as the Detroit Plant birth rate again goes on the increase.

Benny Mietoff and Walter Leczycke have also gone into the armed services of our country.

There is a saying that the dumbest man in any department is the Foreman. This proved itself when Homer Hemond picked up a girl's sweater and calmly wiped his oily hands with it. It couldn't have happened in the Inspection Room, or could it?

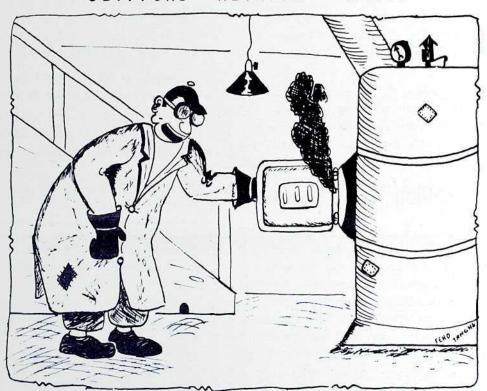
Bugs Bunny has nothing on Elmer Knope when it comes to chewing carrots. Elmer seems to have an unlimited supply of raw vegetables and anyone desiring this type of nourishment is free to consult him.

Everett Pulk's little boy, Glen, thinks his daddy is pretty smart cause he got an "A" card at school the other nite. By the way, the modern masculine conception of heaven is class "4-F" with a "C" card.

The back to the earth Farm Block is rapidly gaining strength in our shop. Consult George Booth for full particulars.

It's rumored that the Poor House may be the recipients of two of our employees, if a certain Broom Tail by the name of Ball & Chain doesn't stick its snozzle across the tape first the next time it runs.

CLIFFORD - KLINKER - JENSON



"This darn paper called asbestos, won't burn at all."

PLANT INSIGNIA CONTEST

You've seen army planes which have their own squadron insignia, a cartoon or a character, painted on the side.

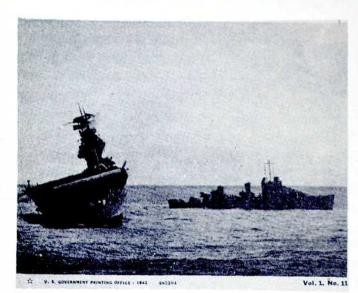
You've seen the army and navy insignia—the crossed guns for the artillery—the flaming bomb for the ordnance, etc.

Well, how would you like to have some kind of distinctive insignia, a small drawing or cartoon, which would mark the columns of Plant News in L & A? Cold numerals 1-2-3, etc., can't express the varied activities and the individual characteristics and personalities in our various buildings. But a plant insignia—some high spot which everyone would immediately recognize as belonging to that plant, alone, would.

Got any ideas for a plant insignia, either for your own plant, or a complete set for all four buildings? Send in your suggestions, now. You don't have to be an artist. You don't have to submit a drawing. All you have to do is describe your idea. Best suggestion submitted for each plant will be adopted as the column heading, for the plant, in L & A.

No restriction on the number of ideas you may submit. We want them all. Give them to your Reporter!

HELPED SAVE FIVE LIVES-DECORATED FOR BRAVERY







Doomed Carrier Yorktown off Midway

Cort. Stanley Kozloski--Hero

Crew of Yorktown on sloping deck

The first GTD man in service to be cited for bravery, as far as we know, is Corp. Stanley Kozloski of the United States Marines, formerly of the Engineering Staff of Plant #1.

Serving on the Aircraft Carrier Yorktown during the battle of Midway, Corp. Kozloski, a gunner, manned a .50-cal. anti-aircraft machine gun and fired "16,000 to 17,000 rounds" during a 40 minute fight.

When the torpedo struck the carrier on June 6, Corp. Kozloski and two other Marines, were assigned to guard the ship's papers and the \$500,000 aboard. Discovering that five sailors had been trapped by the explosion, they abandoned the money and went to

the rescue. Kozloski grabbed a bomb jack used to hoist bombs into a plane and pried the wreckage loose.

He then carried one of the sailors who had two broken legs up to the flight deck of the sinking ship. There, with his two companions, he helped to lower the injured men to the sea on ropes. They were later picked up by escort ships.

For his heroic action, the Government has awarded him a citation for bravery and promotion to the rank of Corporal.

"We were in a lot of action before the torpedo got us," Corp. Kozloski said in a vivid eye-witness report of the great battle off Midway which he gave when he was home on leave.

"Thanks a Million" Continued from Page I

"I received your very kind Christmas gift and wish to take this opportunity to thank you and the GTD for your thoughtfulness in sending this gift to me."

Cpl. Francis J. Hennessey, Btry. F, 10th C.A., Fort Church, Rhode Island.

"....All I can say is "Thanks a lot" and if you keep 'em flying on the 'home front', we will try our level best to keep 'em flying wherever we are."

Everett L. Purrington, R.R. M 3/c VN-14-D6 U.S.N.A.A., Jacksonville, Fla.

"Your most welcome gift received and I can assure you it was real thoughtful of the Greenfield Tap & Die Corp., my former employer, to send me such a useful gift. Thanks a million.

"I would appreciate it very much if you would remember me to the gang in the Shipping Room and also to my former overseer, Mr. Casey. So long for now, and once more—thanks a lot."

P.F.C. Elliott Moreau, H2 Btry. 1st Br., 8th "C.A.", Ft. Preble, Maine.

"Thanks for the kindness the GTD has shown me, not only for the cigarettes but also for the paper that they publish.

"Soon we are going to be headed for parts unknown. In other words, foreign service. It really makes one feel swell to know that someone is thinking of him.

"Please give my best regards to Mr. Albin Overgaard and to Mr. Ernest Despins."

Stanislaus J. Sojka, 179 Station Hospital, Fort Lewis Staging Area, Camp Murray, Wash.

"I am in need of cigarettes most of the time, and your present is therefore much appreciated.

"Will you give the below address to Mr. Armstrong in order that I may get "Leads and Angles"?

"Please extend my regards to my friends at Plant 1, and in closing, I would like to wish you all a happy holiday season."

John W. Gorey, Ist Lt., Infantry Headquarters Carolina Sub-Sector, Fort Sumter Hotel, Charleston, South Carolina.

"I want you to know I received your gift of smokes and thank you very much. Any brand is good smoke to a service man, so rest assured that the five brands will be enjoyed to the utmost."

Put. Martin L. Cady, 377 B Sqdn., 309 B Group, Columbia Air Base, Columbia, S. Carolina.

"I never realized, as much as I

do now, the importance of G.T.D. tools and gages in the war effort. It sure makes one feel good to realize that our buddies back home on the production front are doing as much as we are in the service."

Put. Bernard G. Weipp, Co. C, R.R.C., Fort Devens, Mass.

P.S. "You make the taps and we'll shoot the Japs."

"Yesterday I received your much appreciated Christmas gift and wish to thank you and the Greenfield Tap & Die Corporation for the same.

"The card is very nice and the last few words sum up just what we all are fighting for, Victory-Peace-and Home. It is a wonderful feeling to know that though we have left G.T.D. we are not forgotten. It was a grand feeling, while I was home on furlough the first of October, to go up to the office and see so many of the persons I worked with and be so warmly received by Mr. Bill, Mr. Eberlein, Mr. Ziegler, and the others.

In closing, I wish to thank you again for the gift and card and assure you I consider it a privilege having been able to work with such wonderful men and for such a company as G.T.D."

o/c Robert E. Koehler, Sq. 22
AAFOCS, Miami Beach, Fla.

ADMINISTRATION

Welcome back Herbie White! Herbie, who works in the Purch. Dept., has returned after spending two weeks in the hospital where he underwent a minor operation. We missed you, Herbie; hope that you are feeling fit again.

In the listing of the Greenfield Tap & Die sister teams, we forgot to put down Irene Bostley, Administration Bldg., and Mrs. Ernestine Wheeler, Plant #2.

May Varilly, Anne Zinke, and Muriel Schatz spent a very pleasant weekend in New York City. They attended the Notre Dame-Army football game at the Yankee Stadium. They say that Muriel became separated from the others on Fifth Ave. and going up to a cop asked him if he had seen the "gang from Greenfield."

The Gage Department's latest loss is Dick Linehan, who was called to the colors. We understand that Dick did a lot of hiking the week before he left to be in top physical condition. Dick is located at Fort Riley, Kansas City, Mo., and is attending a Clerk school for the next 13 weeks.

Marion Mooney and Anne IaFleur are to be congratulated on their efforts ingetting "Leads & Angles"

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The Mail Call

SERVICEMEN'S MAIL BOX

Editor's Note: Attention all GTD men in service!

Your pals in other branches and your friends at home are clamoring for more news about you. We can't give it to them unless we get it from you. They want to know where you are and how you are and what you're doing. Send a letter to the Mail Call. It will be printed here, in part or in full. That way one letter reaches all your GID friends and prevents writer's cramp. How about it? And how about some pictures to go with it, snapshots at camp or candid shots, on-the-spot pictures of the life of a man in the service for the folks back home.

"At present I am in Army Air Force Airplane Mechanics School down here in Goldsboro, North Carolina. After Ifinish my Schooling down here, which should be sometime in February, I expect to be sent "out on the line" which in Air Corps language is some air base in the country to receive practical experience or I may be sent to some airplane factory to receive my practical experience."

Put. H. C. Rider, 800th T.S.S., Bks. 1129, Seymour Johnson Field, Goldsboro, N. Carolina.

"Since you last heard of me much has happened. My address has changed several times. I am now at a motor maintenance school, and I am preparing to enter the parachute troops on January 19, 1943. I received a commission on October 19, 1942 and Iwas married on October 30, 1942. In other words I've been pretty busy during the six months that I have been in the Army."

Lt. Donald H. Rist, 6th Co. 1st S.T.R., Ft. Benning, Ga.

"At the present time I am attending Airplane Mechanics School. Expect to graduate from school here in about seven.weeks. After graduation, we are to be sent to one of the various airplane factories for further schooling."

Put. Thomas L. Broderick, 411th T.S.S., Box 394, Keesler Field, Miss.

Pvt. David G. Hinman, who left the Gage Plant August 12th, is stationed at the Army Air Force Technical School, Sioux Falls, South Dakota. David writes that he loves it only the weather is a little too cold. We hear about Dave quite often through Greta.



"Have been down here for several months now and it is really swell country. Our Combat Team is quartered in a Trailer Camp and is a beautiful place, swimming pool and everything and everything. So far it has been warm enough to go swimming every day.

"At present I am Combat Team Adjutant and Commanding Officer of Headquarters Company, which is enough to keep anyone busy.

"Received my promotion to Captain a short time ago, which was quite welcome and helps raise the old morale."

Capt. Verl W. Rigsby, CT 104-3, Camp Bell Haven, Miami, Florida.



A "keen" letter was received from Pvt. Henry "Dick" Sopollec who is now stationed at 505 School Squadron, Moore Field, Mission, Texas. He sends Holiday greetings to us all, and especially to his former co-workers in the Mill-wright Dept. Good luck to you, Dick, and keep up the good work.



Put. David G. Hinman

HONOR ROLL

GID men who have entered the service since the last issue

Alfred Staheleck Leon Wolojko Paul Bourbeau John Manix Cyrus Liese Harold Campbell Michael Atamaniuk Nicholas Russo Wallace Ainsworth George Apple James Legrazie Clyde Wilder Stephen Sanicki Robert Decker Charles Petraitis Stanley Laskowski Weldon Stone Louis Socha John Togneri Michael Kostek Michael Mucha Andy Yiannacopoulos Robert Reid Erwin Weston Chester Mroz Leo Vigneault Daniel Kelley Carl Hoynoski Richard Wellman Elmer Neverett Howard Haskins Joseph Moylan Albert Beaulieu Donald Matthews Marvin Anderson Richard Maley Merle Cranson Roger Morell Andrew Dzenis Richard Dresser John Coogan Gordon Hovey Lawrence Billiel James O'Donnell Henry Bocon Wallace Finkowski Chester Koloski Harold Pervere Mitchell Darash Robert Harris John Johnstone Lawrence Dionne Thomas Griswold

Peter Mascavage Joseph Banach John Waitkus George Winn Anthony Tomolevich Edwin Dzuj Ellwyn Ripley Victor L'Ecuyer Francis Eddy John Millett Frederick Geiger Robert Coleman Edward Cockaday Karl Merz Donald Calkins Kenneth Johnson Will Mann Henry Wisenski William Farrell James Rucci Robert Christie Russell Daignault Donald Galvin Henry Shea Roderick Barrett Eugene Jarvis Oscar Poloway Joseph Martin Kenneth Hilliker Harold Superneault Stanley Ciclo Joseph Bliznak Chester Pelis Ernest Lemoine George LaFountaine Harold Hastings John Flavin Andrew Biley Kenneth Martin Edward Brassor John Perry Leo Potvin James Dubreuil Robert Kirk James Dwyer Gilbert Allis Robert Carpenter Albert Doucette Walter Traceski Nelson Lambert Vincent Lapinski Frances Gigliotti

Arnold Zentgraf

George Antes Edmund Vanasse Edward Traceski Arthur Bruffee Walter Pokladok Edward Smiarowski George Poirier Whitely Shailer Robert Gilbert John O'Brien George Montgomery Peter Butynski Mason Arial Henry Caron Walter Upton Austin Leise Peter Rogaleski John Cramer Alex Owseichik William Gaines Chester Pulaski Henry Dion Charles Doucette Roy Bergquist Richard Perreault Edmund Connelly Edward Conway Francis Reen Walter Pilbin Sandy Tenney Frank Gonyer Adelor Thomas Bernard Neipp Edward Kowal James Powers Felix Semeli Richard Linehan Wallace Grant John Kelleher Willard Ballou Paul Ryan Arthur Perkins Wilfred Archambo Louis Brozo Arnold Sanders Kenneth Rawson Charles Neff Winthrop James Anton Anderson Francis McDonough Ray Peterson Charles Dobosz Frank J. Holub James Denning

WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IF:

Frank Chrusciel

Fred Stone got up in time?
Ed Kells lost his whistle when a girl walked by.

Frank Soltys did a "bit" of work? You could get someone to wait on you at Mr. Raymond's crib?

The boys in 2-35 could find a certain Joe M. when they wanted him?

Something happened to Ellis Franklin's right hand?

If Effie, 2-72, gave the married men a break?

The Monarch Engine Lathe got under way in 2-35?

Don Smith wasn't so obliging to the boys in 2-35?

Joe Koch got sick on Sunday?

Al Overguard was around when he is being paged by Loud Speaker?

If Walter Kilgour lost his charm with the women in the Lapping Dept.?

Millie forgot to say good-bye to Steve?

If "gals" didn't turn when they
 see a 'uniform"?

The Inquiring Reporter



"ACE" ST. LOUIS DOWNS 8 PLANES: I SURVIVES

But don't get excited, gentle readers, they were model planes and Howard St. Louis, who works in Department 2-35, is not as destructive as the foregoing sounds. Howard was born in St. Johnsbury, Vermont, and graduated from St. Johnsbury Academy. He has been working for GTD about two years, and came to us from the Jerome Engineering Co. at Roosevelt Field, L.I. It seems that when Roosevelt Field was expanding a couple of years ago, all of the civilian enterprises adjacent to the field were compelled to move out to make way for the expansion, which gave Howard an excuse for coming back to his native New England.

Howard is the proud Papa of Barbara Anne St. Louis, who is just 7 months old. And did Howard beam when he told us about her!

Speaking about the model airplanes, Howard informed us that his record of 8 crack-ups was made while he was a member of the "Model Airplane Association of New York City." The last plane was given intact to the association when he came to Greenfield. He says he has been so busy since coming to work for GTD that he hasn't had much time to follow his model airplane hobby, but would like to get back at it as he claims it is a great sport, which we can well believe.

Howard is conservative on the war situation, and believes it will last one more year: "If not longer."

The picture shows Howard reading a blue-print at the bench just back of his big Hendey engine lathe on which he threads the larger sizes of ring gages, on the 7 to 3 shift.

This photograph shows the method our Inquiring Reporter uses in selecting a candidate for interview. Miss Ruth Pomeroy of the Standards Department was the first



young lady that we met upon entering the plant, so we asked her if she would pick a number -- any number-for us and just to show that she had nothing up her sleeve, we blindfolded her and your reporter twirled her around three times and started her toward the time card rack with instructions to point her pencil ahead of her. When she arrived smack up against the bulletin board, our reporter jumped forward, grabbed the card that was indicated and there it was -2485 - Mr. Howard St. Louis! We can guarantee that there was absolutely no collusion, premeditation or intimidation involved. In fact, compared to our method of selecting candidates, Major Bowes "Wheel of Fortune" is as amateur as his programs.

The "Inquiring Reporter" will visit Plant #1 next month for an interview with some lucky (?) fellow or girl.

ADMINISTRATION Continued

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up to the "Front Lines." It is quite a job getting the paper to all our boys in the service—but Marion and Anne are doing a swell job of it.

Paul Ryan, who needs no introduction to most of us, has left the GTD to join the Navy to see the world. He certainly is missed by all who knew and worked with him. Wonder if he misses us?

Paul has given the Tap and Die eight years of dependable service, starting his career in the Shipping Department. He was later transferred to the Service Department. He enlisted in the Navy and was sworn in November 6th as 3rd Class Storekeeper. We all hope Paul takes to the sea the way he did to the GTD.

For the present Paul is stationed at: U.S. Naval Training Center, Co. 550, Newport, R.I. Bon voyage and Oceans of Luck!

A Shower was given to Eleanor Robichaud of the Payroll Dept. in honor of her coming marriage Dec. 12 to Chester Conant, who is in the Army Air Corps. Eleanor will make a beautiful bride and we wish both of them loads of luck. Chet will have more than the war to keep him up in the air now.

Evelyn Powers of the Cost Dept. has joined the ranks of the "Brides to Be." She's wearing a sparkler from Ozzie McCarthy. Lucky Ozzie!

The happiest girl in the Office this past month was Doris Severance of the Gage Department. She's been all a-dither because her husband who had been gone about eight months came home November 12th on his long awaited furlough.

Eileen Holmes has left the Cost Department to attend Comptometer School in Springfield. Eileen wants to make her fingers talk from now on—so she says.

Hazel Carter, at home convalescing with a bad ankle, has sent in her resignation. She's going to go back to Louisiana with her husband, Russell Carter, formerly employed in the Gage Department. He has been in the Army six months, and is now home on furlough.

Jim Mattoon, former Editor of "Leads & Angles" turned over his duties as Editor to Tom Malbon, who is working in the Advertising Department. We all know that Tom will make good and carry on where Jim left off. This is just the sort of work Tom is interested in, and he will put his heart and soul in making it a rip-roaring success.

Thanksgiving Day was a double Thanksgiving for Bob and Mildred Koehler due to the arrival of Virginia Louise Koehler, weight 7 pounds 4 ounces stripped. Mildred you will recall, is the former Mildred Wanegar of the Advertising Department, while Bob was on the office night shift before joining the Army. He is now in Miami Beach, Florida, where he is attached to Squadron 22, AAFOCS, which means that he is at Officers' Training School! Little Virginia is really a third generation G.T.D. 'ite, as her grand-daddy is Mr. Koehler, our Chief Engineer.

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PLANT 1 Continued

10 PRETTY GIRLS OF 1-27

- 1. Eleanor Stratton
- 2. Gladys Wisnewski
- 3. Evelyn Pageau
- 4. Vega Tranowski
- 5. Doris Olson
- 6. Elizabeth Holewa
- 7. Mary Akey
- 8. Mary Bompastore
- 9. Helen Variest
- 10. Ninnin Nadeau

Congratulations to the Bride and Groom: Mr. and Mrs. Al Ruggeri.

Mr. Ray Holmes wishes to thank all his friends and fellow workers for their many acts of kindness.

Jessie Wisnewski's hair ribbons are the envy of all the girls in

We have finally found out why Kitty Harper makes such a wild dash home every night. Walt's letters are the important reason.

Have you heard the new hunting story as told by Ralph Olson? It seems that all the deer in Vermont are equipped with transparent, bullet-proof shields. Will someone please confirm this rumor?



Eugene J. Wozniak, who entered the Air Corps in August, 1942. Wozniak received his preliminary training at Keesler Field, transferring to the gunnery school at Harlinger, Texas. Completing this course in October with the rank of Sergeant, he transferred to South Carolina. If he passes his tests for a Staff Sergeant's rating he plans to try for a commission. His home is in Turners Falls and before entering the service, he was employed in Plant #1, Dept. 1-10.

Best wishes from Dept. 1-7 to the "Great Little Guy," "Wendell Willis Wilkie." Wendell will probably be in the Army by the time this appears in "Leads & Angles" so, good luck and keep smiling.

Dept. 1-7 wishes to welcome all the women who have come in on the 11-7 shift. We know its difficult and we all appreciate your





contribution to our boys in this time of need.

We wonder if some one could contribute a mirror for our Mabel Drown, so she can see whether her face is really clean and that it's Mabel once again. Would a towel and face cloth help any, Mabel?

Congratulations to Clarence Howe who married Edith Shepard on Nov. 23, 1942.

Mrs. Laura Follett of Dept. 1/9 was transferred to the Personnel Dept. At Plant #1, she was a grinder of Acorn Dies and was very conscientious about her work. The boys down here all miss that pleasant smile.

What is going to happen? Red Hughes never mentions any more about football after the Thanks-giving game.

Mrs. K. Grant has left us to join her husband who is serving with the U.S. Navy, stationed at Florida.

Ray Lavin formerly of 1-9 is now stationed at Camp Croft, South Carolina. He writes that he now goes to bed regularly at 8 each night. No more time off, either.

Laurier Fortier formerly of 1-9 now stationed at the Navy Yard, South Carolina is training to join the dirigible division of of the Navy. More power to you. Here's hoping you sinka few subs!

Best wishes and a speedy recovery to Alfred Desautels who is who is confined at home with pneumonia.

Henry Bocon was presented with a purse of money from his fellow workers of Dept. 1-10 in honor of his enlistment in the Navy. Henry is stationed at Portsmouth, R.I.

Larry Dionne and Cyrus Liese were also presented with money when they entered the service. Larry joined the Air Corps Ground Crew.

We received a letter from Bob Austin now located at Fort Monmantk, N.J. Bob is now studying teletype maintenance and claims the reason he was selected was largely due to his knowledge gained at the GTD training school as well as the practical experience he received in the factory. Good luck, Bob, on your new venture!

Talk about a wimming smile. You should see the new bellhop of 1-8.

The wedding of Francis Martin of 1-12 and Mae Putin will take place Dec. 26 at 8 o'clock. We all wish them the best of luck.

Have you seen Peggy Elmer's new pants of Dept. 1-5?

PLANT 2 Continued



The above is a picture of Michael Schab, formerly of Dept. 3202 who is learning to become a Machinist's Mate. We wish you good luck, Mike, in your new venture and hope you crash through with flying colors. May we hear from you soon.

NOTICE!

Joe Gordon of 2-61-1 Inspec. is promoting a U.S.O. idea for the soldiers stationed at Warwick, Mass. He expects soon, in cooperation with the Order of Moose, to have a dance at Moose Hall for them. Girls who are interested in being "dance partners" in this good cause leave your names with Mr. Gordon at 2-61-1. Let's make it a large group!!

Steve Brodie of Brooklyn Bridge fame, also of 2-56 appears to be quite a lover of music. He heard Rubinoff the other night and hasn't stopped whistling yet.

Wanted: A good Tom Cat for Dept. 2-52 to help along the fur under the noses of Paul Adsell, Robert Dion, Robert Miller and Ed Cormie (the duke).

Romance? What about this Ed Strange and Jane Taylor affair? Where were they during the "BIACK-OUT?"

Leo Looney (football fan of 2-56) enjoyed the Holy Cross-B.C. game. What a game, Leo!

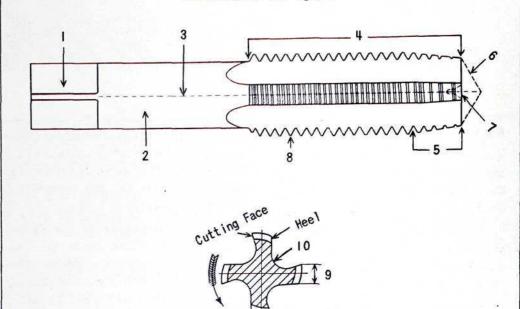
Lyman Jennison (2-56) is back after an extended illness. Good luck, Lyman.

Best wishes to Clyde Rushford who is on the sick list.

Bit of this and that: many of the girls in the office in the Gage Building are wearing slacks. Can they be imitating the shop girls? A few are: Georgette, Chamberlain, Abbie Sullivan, Cecile Racine, Pat Grogan, Lois Bouker, Ethel Andres, Elaine Daignault, Mary Ryan.

Eleanor Rose, Prod. Dept., bought a horse. It seems she, Milly Harris and Katherine Cramer are equestriennes.

Answers to Quiz



- 1. The squared end of a tap shank.
- 2. The part behind the threaded and fluted section of tap.
- 3. The theoretical longitudinal center line through the tap.
- 4. The threaded and fluted part of tap.
- 5. The tapered portion at the front end of the threaded section.
- 6. Cone shaped end of tap found only on small taps at threaded
- 7. The small drilled and counter-sunk holes at end of tap, necessary for manufacturing purposes.
- 8. The cutting tooth of the tap which produces the thread.
- 9. The threaded sections between the flutes.
- 10. The groove providing for the cutting faces of the threads or teeth, for chip passage and for lubrication.



and a Bright New Year

PLANT 2 Continued

Joe Koch of 2035 has been singing "White Christmas" for weeks. Anything to do with your license, Joe?

A few interested people have been wondering if Jimmy Tarbell has found it hard to fill those "two barrels"?

Congratulations on their 25th wedding anniversary to Mr. & Mrs. Leon Gould. Happy years and many more to you both.

What a cute foursome: Avis Johnson, Bob Purrington, Eleanor Weatherby, John Murphy. Sh! A nice time was had by all.

Good luck goes with Jackie Flavin of 2-82 who is now in Rome, N.Y. in the Army Air Corps.

Another "diamond gal." Elaine Singley, 2-62, now sports a sparkler. Tom Griswold, Plant #1, has nice taste in more ways than one.

Steve Sanicki has left us for the U.S.C.G. Good luck, Steve, and we know one little "miss" will "miss" you. Right, Milly?

Pvt. Louis Gendler who was of Dept. 2-3202, paid us a surprise visit recently. He is a photographer in the Army Air Corps at Atlantic City. Good luck, Louis, we were glad to see you!

Happy hello's to Mary and George Shea who have joined the GTD ranks! Did you have to get someone to carry your first week's pay home, George?

Is George Mosher seriously thinking about growing a moustache? What about it, "Junior"?

A clever person went to work on the poster of Mussolini, Hirohito and Hitler in the Grinding Room and got these results: Over Mussolini is written: Meatball. Over Hirohito's bald head is written: Cue-ball, and over Hitler, Screwball!

Eleanor Weatherby of the "Weatherby Twins" whose smile is like a ray of sunshine is a great little promoter. See what she did in promoting those two skating parties? Management please take notice!

Betty Mooney of Dept. 2-34 just underwent an appendectomy. Best of luck in your recovery, and get well soon!

Loads of good luck to Alton David of Dept. 2-53 who is leaving for the Army soon.

By special request, we want to add Charles Jerome to our "GTD Stars". List - who as? - Bud Abbott to you.

Recently when a certain gal asked John "Killer" Maniatty what "EFC" stood for, after telling him she was considering joining the WAVES. He replied, "Oh! Errol Flynn's Commandos."

Buddy Sanders, 2-35, has left us for the U.S. Navy. Gee, and do we like sailors. Good luck, Bud, and drop us a line.

Russ Dame's (2-34) ears certainly must have burned when Kells of the Greenfield football team won all that money for him by playing a great game. Now Russ, walk up to Eddie Kells of 2-35 and tell him his brother is a "bad football player." Dare you?

Glad to know that Harry Cushion is back with us again. 2-61-1 and 2-61-3 are very glad to see you.

LET'S REMEMBER --

The day Marion Lyman and Evelyn Janos, 3202, had a "cough drop mania." Ten boxes of any brand in the desk drawer!

The time Mr. E. A. Enderle turned "firebug" and started that fire inhis wastepaper basket with a "Corona!"

Poor Millie Harris coming into work with a sore toe because she got caught inher pajama leg while walking in her sleep.

How "Muscles" ran out of the of the room when Georgette chased him saying as he dashed, "First time I've been chased in years!"

The "Amazonic" feat at the roller-skating party done by Sophie Novak. Did I get dizzy.

How tickled Frank Vayda, 2-52, was when he became the proud "pop" of a baby boy recently.

A little wonderment—remember Stan Gutkowski putting on his acrobatic act at Mike Mucha's farewell party. Superman.

The razzing Sophie Tessier received from the gang when she nearly slept through Monday and Tuesday. (Oh, the alarm).



ADMINISTRATION Continued

We've heard Mr. Graham speak of his "Second Front" quite often, but it's no wonder he has it! Ask him what he ate at the party given for his Mother's 50th Wedding Anniversary. "L.W." tells us there's a lot of money tied up in the "Second Front."

Lester White who worked in the Raw Materials Department was home on a 10 day furlough. He looks very well, likes his work, and has been made Sergeant. Lester says he's treated swell down in Lubbock, Texas—by the girls who are very sociable and they have a lot of "oomph" even though they work on airplanes, get greasy faces, and wear overalls. He says they know how to repair planes, too. Better watch out for those monkey wrenches they carry, Ies.

Don Weston, formerly of the Cost Department couldn't wait to be drafted, he enlisted in the Army as an aircraft mechanic. As yet, we don't know where he is stationed. Keep those planes flying, Don, and let's hear from you!

Congratulations go to Helen Niemi of Cost Department on her engagement to Norman Tower. Best of luck to you, Helen.

We give a hearty welcome to Marie Campbell, newcomer to the Cost Department. She also has a sister Ann working in Cost.

Doc Reid, formerly of Engineering Department, has left now for the Army Air Corps at Chanute Field, Illinois. We wish you all the luck in the world, Doc.

PLANT #1 PERSONALITIES

M usical	Virginia Koziski
Efficient	Stella Manning
R easonable	Earl Edes
R efreshing	Mary Pachalis
Y outhful	Kathleen Mason
C ute	Ruth Hutchinson
H andsome	Arthur Maniatty
R omantic	Leonard Pinsoneault
ngenious	Bill McGahan
§ erene	Ann Kostrzewski
Taciturn	Bill Hayes
Masculine	Joe Bonzek
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S ophisticated	

