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FORMER EMPLOYEE VISITS PLANT

A recent visitor to our main office was Miss Lallie (Sandra) Beeman, formerly of the Mailing Department, looking lusciously lovely in a mustard colored suit with purple accessories.

During the past year Lallie has been taking a course in Occupational Therapy at the University of Toronto. We were afraid at first that the sea of matrimony would sweep her off her feet before the patients ever got a glimpse of her happy and charming nature. What happened to "Allan White," Lallie?

This summer Lallie goes in training in hospital in Woodstock. We of the Canadian Car wish her success and happiness in her chosen career.

ACCIDENT PREVENTION

Accidents can happen in the best of regulated families, however, in the interest of production, they should be curtailed as much as possible. Every time an employee injures himself, he not only suffers a lot of pain and discomfort but he also loses valuable time, which is a vital factor if we are to produce the weapons of war with which to beat the Axis. Fingers should be kept away from hazardous parts of a machine, strong stout shoes should be worn in order to prevent accidents by having material dropped on them. Eye shields and guards should be used on all machines where called for, and a little thought and care while handling the job will mean less time lost through accidents and more planes off the assembly line.

CHESS NOTES

Last Friday the chess players threw off their characteristic reserve and staged a merry little party at the Royal Edward Hotel, with J. T. Russell, J. McCormack and F. T. Edwards of the Times-Journal as guests. These visitors, who displayed a keen interest in the club, did the honors to the various prize winners and congratulated the members on their success during the first year of the club. After dinner some novel exhibitions of chess were given, anecdotes were recounted and a general spirit of good humor prevailed during the evening.

Among the prize winners were: A. Cheadle, lakehead champion and winner of the President's cup; A. Waddell, runner-up.

Canadian Car prize winners: R. Krayenski; Fedge and N. Walker tied for second place.

Fall tournament — 1, Fedge; 2, Knowles; 3, Woodiweis.

It is the intention of the members to continue their Thursday evening meetings at the Y.M.C.A. for a few more weeks until warmer weather comes.

J. MERLIN, VETERAN CANCAR EMPLOYEE

Mr. John Merlin, Superintendent of Maintenance at the Fort William plant, holds an enviable record insofar as service with the Company is concerned. Commencing with the Company in 1915, Mr. Merlin was transferred from Turcot Works in Montreal to the Fort William plant in August, 1927, where he took over his present position, watching the plant grow from its infancy in aircraft production to its present proportions.

As Superintendent of Maintenance, Mr. Merlin has complete control of all plant police of which there are 54, under the chief of police, Mr. T. Bee. The plant fire department also comes under his jurisdiction, and while there are only four full-time firemen employed with Mr. John Langstaff as fire chief, this number can be increased to thirty by volunteers, who are all trained and equipped. The chief engineer, Mr. Jeff Andrews, the millwrights under E. Laballester, foreman; the carpenters under Mr. Geo. Carroll, and the chief electrician, Mr. J. Tiboni, all come under Mr. Merlin's department. Besides supervising all these departments, Mr. Merlin takes care of the maintenance of all buildings, the machinery in the plant, and the grounds within the fence.

Recently Mr. Merlin was made a member of the Quarter Century Club of the Canadian Car and Foundry, and in recognition of his long and faithful service was presented with a gold watch suitably engraved, also a gold lapel pin.



Pictured above is Mr. J. Merlin at his desk.

PRAISE CANADIAN FLIERS

Canadians from all parts of the nation played a large role in the successful operation by transport aircraft and the third tactical air force in Burma which placed Allied troops some 200 miles beyond the Japanese. Air Minister Power stated that when the German war is over the thoroughly integrated Canadian air force under Canadian command, will tackle the Japanese menace by the side of its flying fighting allies.



War plant security demands all personnel and vehicles be checked before admittance. Shown above is plant policeman admitting truck. This department comes under the supervision of J. Merlin.

PLANT MANAGEMENT CHANGES ONE YEAR AGO

Just a year ago this month the plant experienced a change of management. Mr. J. J. Russell took over the position as General Works Manager with Mr. Bill Wills as assistant; Mr. H. Cook became Purchasing Agent, and Mr. Gordon Kells, General Shop Superintendent. With the plant changing over at this time from the production of Hawker Hurricane aircraft to the production of the present Curtiss-Wright Helldiver, the task was exceedingly heavy. The successful rehabilitation of the plant to handle the new contract and the present day production of aircraft coming off the final assembly line can without a doubt be traced to the hard work and diligence of these men. We congratulate them on a successful year and wish them every success in the future.

REVUE NEEDS RECRUITS

Following through the suggestion that the CanCar employees have a musical revue, Mr. Hugh Nesbitt has taken over the training of the chorus and teaching them the dance routines. Rehearsals are being held in the hall which has been allotted to them in the old 102nd buildings, and while there are good turn-outs to these rehearsals, there is still room for more men and girls too. Here's your chance, girls, to get in on some good coaching on the art of terpischore, if you feel you would like to join up with this crowd, contact Mr. Hugh Nesbitt, or Mr. Geo. Bicknell.

TRAFFIC CONTROL NEW DEPARTMENT

A new department called Traffic Control, under the direct supervision of Mr. H. Cook, purchasing agent, has been set up in the plant, with new offices located in the Stores Building. Mr. Percy Bithery has been appointed to handle all trucks, while Mr. Frank Becker handles all railway traffic. Both these men have had considerable experience in this type of work, and we feel sure that Traffic Control will be a successful project both from the standpoint of economy and efficiency.

DIRTY WORK

Foreign women working in Germany are to be used for dirty, exhausting labor, German women for clean and light work, according to a statement made by a Nazi labor bureau chief cited in a Moscow overseas broadcast.

Compulsory labor service for women is being introduced in Norway, the Netherlands and Finland this year. The program provides for the call-up of more than 2,800 girls in Norway. All Finnish women between the ages of 19 and 44 are subject to labor conscription, a Finnish newspaper reports.

Directory

J. J. RUSSELL, Managing Editor; R. M. WALKER, Editor;
J. McCORMACK, Sports Editor

Editorial

Recently we have had as visitors to the plant former employees now in the services, who have returned to renew old acquaintances. Some have just completed their training, while others have already been overseas and know what it is to be under fire and to face the enemy. All of these fellows who have returned have expressed themselves in such a way that leaves no doubt in our minds that they are happy to be back again, where they are not subject to restricted rations, black-outs, alerts and other inconveniences suffered by many countries in Europe today. Naturally we are all glad to see them, and to glean from their usual shy conversation a few of the experiences that our service men have to go through on our behalf. Underlying the usual cheery good natured conversation there is a feeling of alertness, differing entirely from the feeling of complacency which many of us at the home front are inclined to show. True, we have good reason to rejoice at the happy turn of events since the dark days of 1939-40-41, when all too often we heard that remark made after many of our unsuccessful raids and sorties that the trouble was "too little and too late." However, let us not for one moment relax our vigilance in order that never again can it be said "too little and too late." We have in Canada today comparative comfort, with very little of the hardships of war bothering us; therefore we should be able to concentrate all our efforts in turning out machinery guns and aircraft in ever increasing numbers for these boys, so that they can complete the job.



Four years ago, on the 24th of May, the First Brigade of the First Canadian Division moved out on their way to France and the Low Countries where the German army was sweeping everything before them. Everything was chaos across the Channel, where German Panzer Divisions were driving relentlessly closer to the Channel, leaving death and destruction in their wake. The whole countryside was consistently bombed day and night, while the most ferocious air weapon at the time, the Stuka Divebomber, would sweep down, bombing and machine gunning the crowded roads, filled with fleeing people. Today the picture has changed, and the supremacy of the air is now held by the United Nations. The Stuka is still there, but the sting has been removed, and to counteract it, new aircraft has taken their place in the sky. The Curtiss-Wright Helldiver is now the most formidable of this type of aircraft, and just as the Stuka did in those days, so will he Helldiver do now. More and more of these ships are being pressed into service to bomb harbors, airfields and to make an umbrella for our troops when they make a landing. So successful has this ship proved itself in the short space of time it has actually been in service in the Pacific that it has rapidly gained a reputation unequalled, and has been called the Navy's "Sunday punch."



—That in a four-year period, the Canadian Navy has expanded to 47 times that of pre-war level, which is unequalled by any other country?



—That Canada is the fourth largest producer of United Nations war supplies?



—That Canada's daily war cost per person has risen from three cents in 1939 to $1.16 per person in 1943?



—That the Curtiss-Wright Corporation in Columbus, Ohio, have a Rumor Clinic, called the Rumor Busters, where employees send in rumors they hear and have them exploded?



—That the empennage of a plane is the tail assembly?



—That Canada in the Great Lakes region, is closer to South America than either California or Spain?

DEPARTMENT 87

Outer Panel Spars

Calling the attention of all Department 87. Foreman, coming this way, all pretend to be busy. Seriously, though, welcome Mildred Roscoe back from the West and to see her looking well and talking about her operations. Congratulations go to Mr. Phillips on winning one of the hundred dollar victory bonds, in the big Rally. Best wishes and showers go to Vera Marchant and Rose Genyk—who are about to take that fatal step. Johnny Chanook is pretty unhappy now that a certain young lady was moved to the other end of the department. Oh, well, Johnny—absence makes the heart grow fonder. Cold or no cold, our Min Seargeant still finds time to go awalking with a certain officer in the Airforce. Another big hello goes to Phyllis Stadnik, from McDonald Aircraft . . . Calling Department 87 again, its 4.25 o'clock, time to get ready to go home . . . So long, we'll be seeing you.

SUB-CONTRACT DEPT.

Frank Wililams has returned from his business trip to the east looking fit and well.

There should be no trouble in checking on the absentee cards now since the time-checker has moved her desk right into the department.

Betty appeared in slacks the other day in order that she could go straight to her softball practice. Bet she'll make a mighty slugger when she gets up to the plate.

Congratulations to Isa Barr for her poems. She has had one in each issue of the "Aircrafter" so far.

Foreman: You're fired.

Employee: Why?

Foreman: I'm half my time watching all my time watching you.

Employee: Well, that's nothing, I'm

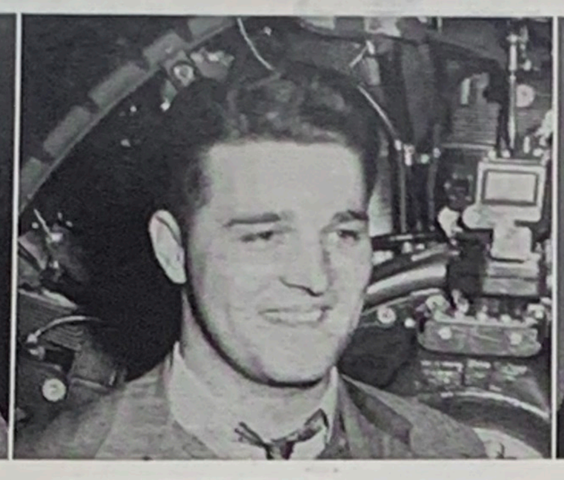
Let us take as much care of our brain waves as we do of our hair waves, then we will have a greater nation.



WHICH DO YOU PREFER, BLONDE OR BRUNETTE?



MEL CARLSON (Dept. 40): "Oh my! Well, I prefer blonds for myself. They seem to have a better disposition."



GEORGE THIERMAN (Production): "I like all the girls! Brunettes have more appeal, but there is more than hair to take into consideration."



GEORGE BICKNELL (Operating): "What about the Redheads! I'd hate to state a preference, might be held against me."



JIMMY McMANUS (Dept. 85): "I like brunettes. Blondes don't appeal to me; they get old too fast!"

DEPARTMENTS 41, 42, 53

We notice the men in the Machine Shop are taking a special interest in horseshoe pitching this year. We wonder if its because the girls are also taking part, or is it just because they like playing. The winners till now are: A. Bayti and Anne Kruk, H. Blaak and J. Mutter, J. Beaupre and J. Laing, A. Holland and H. Thiesson, A. Nigro and E. Bearham, J. McCallum and Fedori. You've got to pitch those horseshoes a little higher, Rose. The further they fall the harder they hit. Winners of first series: S. Bryzowski and J. Presinger, who had a tough battle on their hands against P. McDougall and H. Domsky. The other players were: C. Stewardson and B. Potts, M. Feduniak and A. Parkes, P. McDougall and E. Kennedy, T. McEwan and N. MacGregor, L. Brennan and R. Gibson, H. Domsky and J. Presinger, J. Franchi and S. Bryzowski, T. Pickering and A. McArthur, E. Topp and N. Sedor, A. Sametz and T. Porter, M. Mandzuik and R. Kohar, B. Beauchemin and L. Desourdy. C. Stewardson and B. Potts started off the second series with a win. They are really making something big of this game. They're going to be a cup and prizes for the winners.

Eddie Alf is undertaking to instruct his girls in tennis. He claims to be a former Winnipeg pro. Good luck, Eddie, you've got the material. Let's see you make something of it.

What is Art going to do with three canoe loads of fish. Well, I guess they are good for gardens too. We wonder what kind of line the fish are going to get on Sunday from Jock, Stew, Eddie, Gus and Jack. Pretty strong, if it is the same we have been handed all week. Give the fish a break, Jock, don't go in after them this year.

Heard at a certain lake on a fishing trip: "Why don't you stand with your back to the fire now it is going good, and dry your slacks." Kind of got yourself wet, eh Tony?

You can't say the Machine Shop doesn't stir up its own fun. Last weekend the men pooled their gas and other rations so that they could get to Rosslyn where the party was being held. Keep it up, gang—but Gretchen, stay out of the pig trough next time.

Four grey hairs changed back to normal color again when that certain person found $16 instead of $15 he thought he had lost. This same person is known to have said "No, this is final; I'm going to cut out cigars and drinking." Echo "When?" Same man twenty minutes later: "I think I will go and buy me a cigar, things are going good."

Birthday greetings to Kay Kokak on her birthday, May 23, and also Nancy McGregor on her birthday May 23.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Polenko who were presented with a new daughter; and to Mr. and Mrs. Chapman on the birth of a son.

We were sorry to hear that Miss Golibioski accidentally dropped a die on her foot. Hope to see you soon, Judy.

Mr. George Marwick is on a two weeks' vacation in Kenora.

We wonder if Mr. Stanbrook is paid to chase runaway milk-wagon horses. Especially on rainy days.

COMMANDOS

Your household enemy, the moth, is very busy these days with all the insidious tricks dmesigned to destroy everything in its path. Woollens particularly fall easy prey.

When you are packing away bundles of clothing, make sure everything has been washed carefully, sprinkle with moth flakes and wrap in newspapers. Don't forget to level them.

Recently quite a furore was created by the loss of a swivel chair in one of the departments. Apparently to overcome a future re-occurence of such an incident, it is now the practice to have the chair thoroughly marked, preferably with a thoroughbred mark.

HINTS IN HANDLING MATERIAL

1. Do not pile parts carelessly between working positions.
2. Keep work place clear to prevent scratches or dents to delicate parts. Handle delicate parts carefully.
3. Do not place parts near edge of bench as they may fall to the floor.
4. Do not throw parts aside or down. Disposite of material with care.
5. Do not fill containers in such a way that parts protrude above edge.
6. Do not use broken boxes in handling material.
7. Do not place heavy material in light boxes.
8. Do not pile material in storage at dangerous angle as pile may tilt and fall.
9. When loading trucks make sure that heavy material is on the bottom. Do not overload trucks or have material extend over side without proper protection.

Employee: Doctor, can you do anything for me?

Doctor: I guess we can, just what is the matter with you?

Employee: I've got something in my eye. She's a red head and works on the bench in the main aisle.

CANADA'S INDUSTRY IN PEACE AND IN WAR

Industry is finding full scope for its productive capacity in winning the war. After the war the age of plastics, the age of flight and other great opportunities will call for even more production—and for something more than that. Without the incentive of winning the war we must find a new incentive where men and management plan together not only to produce for the new world, but to produce the new world itself.

Stepping up production was the problem that faced industry in its infancy. Everyone thought that in producing more goods and developing our resources, lay the hope of a Golden Age — employment for all, higher wages, leisure, security and happiness. But this did not happen. Something was missing.

Then people came to realize that mass outlets for mass distribution had to be found. So the new scheme of merchandising-advertising came into its own. Iceboxes, refrigerators and vacuum cleaners found their way into more and more homes.

But still something was missing. Depression followed depression, and even in prosperity, men were restless. The magnificent products of industry were often used to harm the people they were intended to benefit.

What is the forgotten factor that has kept industry from achieving its true goals? Industrialists are realizing that we have used people to develop things instead of using things to develop people. That has been the upsetting element. Tomorrow's production lines must turn out men of character along with plastics and planes—men whose teamwork together will build a new world.

The natural running mate to mass production and mass distribution is mass co-operation—teamwork between government and business, management and labor, man and man. A new spirit of caring and the will to pull together can do for the new age what mass production did for the industrial era.

To render the comforts of life in an open boat complete, Canadian scientists have thoughtfully added a new pill which banishes entirely the bane of all water travellers, seasickness.

"No one is ever quite so unhappy as the person who always has his own way."

The woman who says "It can't be done" is likely to be interrupted by the woman who's doing it.

CANADA'S AIRCRAFT CONSTRUCTION

Prior to the war Canada had a small airplane construction industry. The need for providing training planes for the British Commonwealth Air Training Plan and later the need for building combat planes expanded this industry enormously. Now it is able to devote some attention to post-war transport airplanes.

One plane of pre-war Canadian design, the Noorduyn Norseman, is still the outstanding single-engine transport craft of the present period and is being manufactured in large quantities for war transport purposes. Construction rights also have been acquired for the Douglas DC-4, a plane which experts consider to be the best plane of its type for the next five years. Manufacturing has begun at Montreal. It will not be released to Canadian air lines, however, until new planes of similar type are released to domestic air lines in the United States.

A small transport plane and a medium transport plane will be required as well, and several designs are being studied. Among them it is expected will be found two or three types which should have substantial use in Canada and which can be put into production quickly.

Canada is also interested in a trans-Atlantic type of plane of Canadian and British design, and the design is well advanced. It may be added to the types of planes which will be produced in the post-war. A vigorous aircraft construction industry is an essential complement to Canada's post-war plans.

To facilitate peacetime expansion further, a new board, the Air Transport Board, is to be set up. This will control the establishment and licensing of new services; set rates an dtariffs to be charged; recommend financial assistance needed; advise the government on the operating of existing airdromes and the need for new ones; and perform any other allied duties.

The end of the war will find Canada with some 200 airfields built to modern standards and of dimensions ample for serving domestic and international traffic. These airdromes are mostly adjacent to the centres of population, and many of them are now interconnected by communication services of the type necessary for day and night operations. One chain extends from coast to coast, while another reaches northward to Alaska and another eastward to Labrador and Newfoundland.

—Wartime Information Board.



ASSEMBLY LINE VERSUS KITCHEN SINK

No one will deny that women have made a remarkable contribution to Canada's wartime production. In fact, without the introduction of women into the wartime plants—many at considerable personal sacrifice—our peaks of production could not have been reached. Few realize, in fact, the difficulties under which many women, who are also housewives, have carried on at one and the same time at home and in the factory.

Reports reaching the Department of Labour are that fatigue and general difficulties of running two jobs, at home and at the war plant, are responsible for some women giving up their employment in vital war work.

It is easy to admit that the burdens of a woman trying to keep two full-time jobs going at once and supervising growing children as well, are not imaginary, especially during war time. Household help is scarce and expensive, shopping is difficult, personal services which used to be considered a mater of course such as laundry and dry cleaning, are hard to secure. Because of rationing and the disappearance from the market of many easy-to-prepare foods, meals are hard to plan.

Quitting the war job, however, and returning to housework is not the answer. Instead of letting the work at the plant go by the board it would be better to study how to simplify household duties at home and perhaps get rid of some of them. This may be accomplished in several ways. A woman may organize her housework so that she does no unnecessary work, and does what has to be done as easily and quickly as possible. In deciding "what has to be done" each homemaker must question which of her housekeeping standards are really important to family life, and which are only pleasant accessories to be enjoyed when time and energy are less strained. Next, she must recruit the assistance of the other members of her family to carry out her housekeeping plan. There is no reason for husbands and children not to share the household labours they help to create. School children can do much of the shopping, the man of the house can take over the heavier chores, even younger children may be trusted with certain responsibilities within their powers and are often flattered by them. A little more appreciation of the housewife's burdens may be necessary before other members of the family take over regular household duties which they can carry through with marked success.

By following these suggestions, by safeguarding health, getting enough sleep and restful relaxation, and eating plenty of nutritious food, the average woman war worker should be able to conserve her strength to a point where she may continue to carry on both at home and at work.

For Typists Only

When the click of the typwriter becomes annoying, if you have not a silence pad, make a pad of several thicknesses of flannel or felt and put under the machine. It will deaden the sound and also make the machine run more easily.

Scottish War Bride



MRS. CHRISTINE MILLER

Down in Inspection Stores we found Mrs. Christine Miller, who was born in Dundee, Scotland, and arrived in Canada a short time ago. She married Ted Miller from Slate River, who was serving overseas with the Canadian Army Forestry Corps. They met in the Army Canteen at Dundee, where Mrs. Miller worked after war was declared. Previously she was employed in manufacturing jams and jellies which were exported to Canada, and through this connection she has always been interested in Canada and Canadians. Her biggest thrill on reaching Canada was to eat her first banana in four years. Her ambition is to meet someone from Dundee.

CONTROL OF CABBAGE MAGGOTS IN GARDEN

In your last year's wartime garden perhaps your cabbage and cauliflowers, for no apparent reason, wilted and died. If this happened it is more than likely that cabbage maggots were the cause.

These garden pests are a legless, white larvae which tunnel the roots of cabbages and cauliflowers, during the early summer, causing the plants to wilt and die. Much of the damage done by these maggots may be avoided by preventing the insects from laying their eggs in the soil near the crown of the plant. This is done by fitting a disk of tar-felt or light roofing paper snugly around the stem of each seedling immediately after transplanting and leaving it in position throughout May and early June.

A more effective control measure is to pour a half cupful of corrosive sublimate solution over the stem and around the base of the plant a day or two after it is set out, and to repeat the application twice at intervals of a week. The chemical should be dissolved in water at the rate of one ounce to ten gallons, and since it will corrode metals, it must be mixed in and applied from wooden, glass or earthenware vessels. Corrosive sublimate is extremely poisonous but if used with reasonable care, is perfectly safe to use in the vegetable garden.

BREEZY BITS

Ironing on a table—not the best method but more satisfactory if done this way: Cut a piece of felt the same size as the table top and sew a curtain ring to each corner. Cut a piece of old sheeting to cover this, hem and "ring" it in the same way. Thread string through the rings and tie to the four table legs. Now you can iron from dawn to dusk without it slipping.

To clean light suede shoes, rub them with sandpaper and they will look like new.

When dripping water causes yellow stains in your sinks, moisten pulverized chalk with ammonia, and apply with a stiff brush.

To cleanse the hands from the odor of onions, rub them with a stalk of celery.

When you are washing your suede gloves, use cold water and castile soap—never use laundry soap. Do not wring, pull lengthwise, and rince thoroughly to prevent discoloration. Stuff with tissue paper and lay between the folds of a towel to dry.

To rid plants of those little cutworms or flies, put two or three slices of raw potato down well in the earth around the plant.

Are you troubled with an oily, shiny face? Rub your face once or twice a day with diluted alcohol.

To prevent a salad from becoming too wet, place a saucer face downward at the bottom of the salad bowl. Any surplus water will run under the saucer.

YOUR HAIR

Your hair can be washed as often as you want without harming it. There is a hesitancy on the part of women about washing the hair more often than once a week, even though it obviously needs it. The following comforting words to war workers who have this problem with which to contend have been offered by an authority on hair and skin treatment:

"Washing does not hurt the hair; with the right kind of soap, thorough rinsing and drying, the application of a little oil, will not dry the scalp secretions or increase dandruff.

"Instead, the dirt, scales, dust, grease and infectious agents are removed, the circulation improved, and the general tone and appearance of the scalp and hair brought up to what they ought to be—and seldom are."

Two soapings, and three or four rinses with clear water, are recommended.

MOTH MENACE

A half inch or less of moth can launch an all out commando campaign against winter woolies. In some parts of Canada its already open season for months, and the sad thing about it is that one doesn't realize it often until too late. Sentry duty involves the following:

Have any garments not to be worn again until next fall cleaned or washed. Put away immediately in cedar bags or cedar chest, or store in dress boxes with some camphor chemical sprayed on or in mothball form and seal boxes all around the edges with sticky paper.

Be sure and write on the boxes what's inside . . . you may think you'll remember, but ten to one you won't.

COMFORTS FOR CASTAWAYS

Red smoke now saves the lives of our servicemen and seamen castaway at sea. Men and women in a little Canadian pyrotechnics factory, who used to make Saint Catherine wheels and Roman candles for Victoria Day, now produce this new silent S.O.S. signal for use of their brothers in navy and airforce blue. Emanating from cans which are supplied with all rescue equipment, this rosy smoke is conspicuous enough to be seen from a distance of five miles on the water's surface, and from 8,000 feet in the air. Distinguished by its colour from all other smokes associated with war or trade, red smoke means only one thing, that someone afloat on the sea needs help.

Much new safety equipment of this sort has been developed and put into use recently in the Canadian Navy and merchant marine. The result of the combined labours of scientists and Canadian factory workers, many new devices now heighten the chances of downed airmen and shipwrecked seamen for survival.

A good example is the new safety gear, the Rosthern rescue net which already forms part of the regular equipment on many Canadian corvettes and destroyers. This apparatus, which consists of a large fish net controlled by a line from a boom operating from the side of the ship, scoops exhausted and oil covered survivors from the water while the ship is in motion. With it men who are too numb to help themselves and too greasy to be pulled aboard by hand, are rescued one by one at the rate of four every three and a half minutes.

For those who must perforce spend days, and even weeks adrift, a number of conveniences are provided which make the experience less perilous and less grim. Tucked away in their life boat or rubber dinghy they will find such treasures as weatherproof garments, compact sets of fishing tackle complete with bait, fireproof garments for members of oil tanker crews, minute radio sets, new and powerful signal lights, fluorescent powder to illuminate the water around the raft or life boat.

One of the most prized conveniences is the apparatus which assures a steady supply of fresh drinking water to the castaway. By means of a small portable still he is able to extract fresh water from the brine. In addition to its distilling facilities, this machine is equipped with a grill for broiling fish and a pressure cooker for preparing dehydrated foods. The fuel that operates it is a new petroleum product which burns with an intense heat, giving off 19,000 B.T.U. per pound. Since this fuel comes in a solid form and burns without liquifying, the danger of fire in a rocking boat is eliminated.

Last Minute Dessert

Mix the required quantity of bisquick dough in a baking dish, pour over it half cup maple syrup and half cup water. Bake in fairly hot oven for 35 minutes. It's delicious. Try it.

Did you hear about the new employee who thought that bomb-bay doors came from India.





TEE TO GREEN

by G. P. THIERMAN

Seventy-six Canadian Car employees are now listed as full privileged members of the Fort William Golf and Country Club. Approximately that same figure made an appearance at the club last Sunday, May 21.

The fairways have been cut and are in excellent condition. The greens have also been cut, but "winter-kill" spots, some of which appear on all greens, do not show any signs of improvement.

This condition could be remedied by either scraping the dead grass off and applying the necessary fertilizer plus some fast growing grass seed adaptable to this locality and climate, or by removing all dead spots and replacing them with sod.

All creeks running through the course are at a normal level. Compared with former years, however, they are at a much lower level. Many golfers will be thankful that this condition exists. Especially those to whom the creek in front of No. 7 tee always becomes a mental hazard when they persuade a golf ball to go anywhere other than into the creek.

A medila play handicap tournament will be staged on Sunday, May 28. All members are asked to enter their names on lists posted in convenient places throughout the plant. Non-members wishing to participate may notify R. Ostling or appear at the course on Sunday and take a chance of being matched in a foursome. This is the first medal play tournament of the season and as full handicaps are allowed(it is hoped every member will participate. There will be three prizes namely: 1st, 2nd and 3rd. Entry fee is 25 cents. Cards to be signed by at least two players. For any particulars in regard to this see R. Ostling.

Wednesday evening twilight tournaments will start on June 7, and continue until further notice.

One of Golf's Ten Commandments

Forget about self-pity when you get a bad lie or have a tough break. That is all part of the game. Too many golfers lose tournaments on that account. Take the breaks as they come.

That's all for now. See you on the fairways.

BARNYARD GOLF

Alphonse says Department 40-41 crew are out to take any titles that are at stake this season. Having the lakehead's foremost tosser in Ross McDonald, they are now running department singles and double tournaments with about 60 contestants competing.

Department 48 are regular lunch hour delvers and some red hot games are seen daily. Willie McKie has pulled the shoes off the rack and has his gang getting into stride. Tossers in building 8 will have their pitches in real soon, and Jones, Ostling, Zack et al, who are raring to go, will be out to take on all comers.

Arrangements are being made for a weekly article on Chess in the Aircrafter and the Daily Times-Journal, and short lectures on problems will be given at the club to help chess players to get full advantage of these articles. Visitors will be welcome.

CANCAR GOLFERS OPEN SEASON



The ground may have been damp but not so the ardour of the golfers when they turned out en-masse to open the season at Fort William Country Club.

STOP! LOOK! LISTEN!

by IRVIN RECHTSHAFFEN

The shortage of bats has been driving the C.C.A.A. Athletic board "batty" and as a last resort they were playing with the idea of making bats in the plant. However, the board, not long held up by any problem, has been able to get enough bats and balls to keep the shop softball loop in full swing for some time, so how about getting out there 'Lil' and socking the pill. The schedule will be announced in a few days.



A twenty-mile route march is just a stroll for Sgt. Gerard Cote, thrice winner of the famout 26-mile Boston Marathon run. For the average soldier on a long route march, it is difficult to lift his feet off the road as if it was covered with taffy, but to Cote it is something he has made a habit—30 miles of running on Sunds and 15 on week days. His secret of success is lots of running and steaks and the generosity of a citizen who pays the freight. Cote is now a physical instructor.



North Americas' oldest continually run horse race, the King's Plate, will be run May 27th with one of the largest entry lists on record. Tradition says that the winning horse will be a horse trained at Woodbine Park but nevertheless the betting experts favor the Cosgrove stables Gypster which is training at Hamilton.

Believed to be the first Canadian woman bowler to bowl a perfect game (450), in toournament competition, is Mrs. Kay Krisko of Regina. Walking off with most of the prizes in a tournament at Moose Jaw, Mrs. Krisko also had high for three games with 1096, high doubles, team and aggregate honors.



George "Twinkletoes" Selkirk came up to the New York Yankees 'way back in 1932 to fill Ruth's shoes in right field, is back in Canada. Although Selkirk is no "fresh lily" at the age of 38, he is expected to help Bellingham Bells to win the Vancouver senior baseball league title this year. Other former major league stars in the league include Bill "Chic" Sayles, former New York Giant hurler, and Marv Rickert, ex-Chicago Cub outfielder. It is said that their drawing powers on prosperous Pacific coast war workers is phenomenal.



Talking about shop athletics, there must be a whole flock of you fellows in the plant who are star ball players, softball players, tennis aces, golfers, etc. All these sports are just in the organization stage right now and it is up to you fellows to come out to practice and meetings to show your interest. Watch this paper and the bulletin boards for further flashes. Until next week, I'm off to Taffy.

BOWLING

After looking in the old Brine Keg, the suicide club have installed Herman's crew as pre-series favorites and will peel a few leaves off the cabbage to back it up. Weller says his gang are no vegetarians but they kinda like a little cabbage on the menu. Thierman's tribe have their tommyhawks sharpened up for a scalping party in the stretch drive.

The three blind scores posted on the final night of league play (99, 147, 196), were won by Ann Dika 196, Al Lenardon 147, and Dusty Doust 99. Three keglers were tied for the last score—Doust, Dewar and Kostyshyn. Dusty, on her highest average for the night, being the winner.

For the divisional titles its: Weller vs. Herman, Howard vs. Easton, Thierman vs. Whiteway or Prentice; Tomanocy vs. Bohonas, and Cohan vs. Adamson.

zThe sixty-four dollar question: "Who will win the spring title and the Bill Will traophy?" Well . . . Remember the R.C.A.F." Nuff said.

High Singles

Male—

A—F. Page	353
B—S. Furick	331
C—R. Manryk	318
C—F. Bishop	318
D—G. Houston	328
E—D. Craig	320

Female—

A—E. Bearham	302
B—I. Grace	284
C—J. Koslowsky	278
D—E. Beach	225
E—G. Wiggins	221

High Three Games

Male—

A—J. Andros	795
B—J. Brodie	810
C—F. Bishop E	802
D—W. Kuzik	710
E—D. Craig	799

Female—

A—E. Bearham	712
B—I. Grace	628
C—J. Koslowsky	634
D—E. Beach	537
E—G. Wiggins	562

Team Three-Game High

A—Wallin	2932
B—Easton	2746
C—Prentice	2526
D—Tomanocy	2507

TENNIS CLUB ORGANIZED

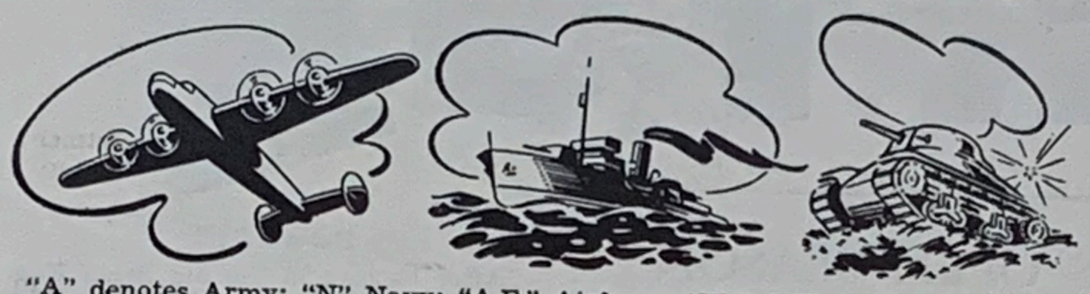
A tennis meeting presided over by Jim McCormack, was held in the Conference Room of the Production Office on Monday, May 15.

The following executive was elected: Jim Andros, Chairman of Tennis Committee; Harry Crocket, Chairman of the Tournament Committee; Jean Livingston, Chairman of the Membership Committee. The members of the different committees will be appointed by the chairman.

The response for tennis players has been very enthusiastic with about 60 members who have already been initiated, making the prospects look quite promising. If weather conditions permit it is hoped that the tennis season will be under way shortly. Anyone seriously interested in playing tennis please contact Miss J. Livingston, Tool Crib 8; Miss Thibaudeau, Dept. 40, Lofting, or Miss A. Lewko, clerk in Dept. 40.

Lieut. Rhodes Palmer, U.S.N., and Sgt. Griffith of the R.C.A.F., are among the newcomers and we hear they wield a mean racquet, and should prove formidable opponents

WITH H.M. CANADIAN FORCES



"A" denotes Army; "N" Navy; "A.F." Airforce; "W.D." Women's Division.

Dixon, John ..... Dec. 21/40		N
Drake, G. G. ..... Jul. 10/40		A
Drndak, Steve ..... Sep. 9/04		A
Drombolis, C. T. ..... May 7/40		N
Drombolis, M. ..... May 10/39		AF
Duchnicki ePter ..... Feb. 5/41		N
Duff, Wm. J. ..... Jan. 4/41		N
Duffield, Bruce C. ..... Oct. 10/39		AF
Dumeney, Rimmie .. Mar. 21/41		N
Dunk, E. J. ..... Sep. 5/40		A
Durack, Wm. D. ..... Jan. 20/41		A
Dutfield, A. T. ..... Feb. 21/41		AF
Duret, Norman S. .... Feb. 12/41		A
Duthie, Sydney R. .. May 15/39		AF
Danberger, J. L. ..... Dec. 23/41		AF
Daboka, P. ..... Sep. 19/40		N
D'Andrea, D. A. ..... May 10/40		AF
Davies, O. M. ..... Jan. 3/41		N
Davis, A. L. ..... Dec. 28/40		A
Davis, K. K. ..... Apr. 16/40		AF
DelRizzo, A. L. ..... Sep. 3/41		A
Dennison, W. A. ..... Feb. 9/42		A
Dixon, Robt. ..... May 22/41		A
Dodds, W. J. ..... May 13/41		A
Donak, J. ..... Sep. 27/40		AF
Deschamps, J. ..... Sep. 13/41		A
Dokuchic, S. ..... Dec. 12/40		A
Donahue, D. E. ..... Mar. 24/41		A
Dowling, K. ..... Mar. 11/41		A
Drobot, T. ..... Feb. 18/41		A
Dulacka, T. J. ..... Feb. 10/41		A
Dunk, Wm. G. ..... Sep. 27/40		AF
Dunn, S. ..... Sep. 4/41		A
Douglas, D. R. ..... Feb. 26/41		AF
Dunn, E. ..... Jan. 7/41		N
Drake, A. ..... Oct. 2/42		AF
Dybala, J. ..... Oct. 17/40		AF
Rraganiuk, Wm. ..... Feb. 6/41		
Duthie, Jack ..... Feb. 10/42		AF
Danberger, J. T. ..... Dec. 4/39		AF
Danyluk, A. ..... May 15/41		AF
Dixon, F. ..... Nov. 5/40		A
Dudley, R. G. ..... Nov. 11/42		A
D'Angelo, A. ..... Oct. 19/42		N
Dawson, Miss D. ..... Nov. 13/41		A
Dika, J. A. ..... Jan. 9/41		WD
Dick, G. J. ..... May 9/41		AF
Davies, H. W. ..... Aug. 22/42		N
Derkacz, E. W. ..... Dec. 21/40		A
Dewar, W. G. ..... Apr. 28/41		A
Dunville, L. L. ..... Feb. 21/42		A
Dahlin, R. H. ..... Dec. 13/40		AF
Deluca, J. M. ..... Jun. 4/40		N
Duchnicki, F. ..... Apr. 22/41		AF
Dudar, N. ..... Dec. 19/40		A
Dulacka, J. ..... Nov. 26/40		N
Drugge H. ..... May 2/41		A
Dorval, J. ..... Oct. 16/40		A
DiBenga, M. J. ..... May 2/41		
Dobie, G. E. ..... May 2/39		AF
Dodd, J. I. ..... Jul. 2/41		AF
Doncaster, J. E. ..... May 14/40		N
Doyle, P. J. ..... Oct. 15/40		AF
Drainville, R. ..... Jan. 15/41		AF
Drombolis, A. ..... Feb. 5/40		N
Duffield, John ..... Sep. 7/37		A
Dutton, H. ..... Jun. 17/40		AF
Donahue, Miss H. ..... Jan. 14/41		AF
Denby, Miss V. ..... May 2/42		WD
Drombolis, G. ..... Nov. 18/41		WD
Donaldson, E. F. ..... Oct. 31/40		N
Donovan, R. W. ..... Sep. 2/42		AF
Eady, Earl R. ..... Nov. 12/43		AF
Edwards, W. A. ..... Oct. 29/40		N
Elgie, Ken. W. ..... Nov. 12/40		A
Evans, E. ..... Jun. 11/40		AF
Elliott, D. W. ..... May 8/40		AF
Erhardt, V. ..... Nov. 1/40		AF
Elms, L. ..... Mar. 21/41		AF
Elvish, J. A. ..... Jan. 22/41		N
Edmonds, C. H. ..... Feb. 15/41		N
Edy, E. M. ..... Feb. 18/41		AF
Elms, F. E. ..... Apr. 9/42		AF
Eppler, E. W. ..... Jul. 11/40		AF
Eppler, J. ..... Sep. 23/41		AF
Elliott, K. R. ..... Jan. 14/41		AF
Ewisak, A. ..... Jul. 22/40		AF
Elmes, H. N. ..... Mar. 13/42		
Eliesie, G. ..... Aug. 14/41		A
Elliott, J. R. ..... Mar. 14/41		A
Ells, R. G. ..... Feb. 18/41		N
Everard, E. A. ..... Sep. 10/40		AF
Elliott, G. F. ..... Nov. 5/40		A
Erickson, O. ..... Jan. 14/42		N
Eagle, G. S. ..... Feb. 6/42		A
Elms, J. ..... Jan. 15/42		A
Elvish, C. ..... Jul. 26/43		AF
Ellard, W. R. ..... Sep. 21/40		A
Everson, H. P. ..... Feb. 23/39		AF
Etherington, O. G. ... Aug. 23/39		A
Elliott, D. J. ..... Jul. 3/39		AF
Fallen, T. ..... Jan. 8/41		A
Fassina, G. A. ..... May 3/39		AF
Favot, S. ..... Oct. 16/40		N
Faye, F. ..... Feb. 25/41		AF
Fayrick, Frank ..... Jan. 24/41		A
Federonick, Nick ..... Jan. 11/41		A
Federonick, Wm. .... Dec. 3/40		A
Fedyk, Paul ..... Aug. 29/40		AF
Ferguson, Jack ..... Apr. 28/41		AF
Fernyc, Nick ..... Jan. 20/41		A
Ficek, Anthony ..... Feb. 20/41		AF
Findlay, Robt. A. ..... Mar. 20/41		N
Fiorito, Victor ..... Oct. 28/40		AF
Fisher, John ..... May 10/40		A
Fitzpatrick, W. E. .... Nov. 25/40		N
Flaherty, J. D. ..... Oct. 7/40		AF
Folino, C. ..... Apr. 8/40		AF
Fortier, E. A. ..... Nov. 24/41		A
Fortier, J. G. ..... Apr. 22/41		AF
Fox, Lionel ..... Nov. 7/40		N
Franchuk, T. ..... Nov. 22/40		A
Franklin, D. H. ..... Dec. 30/40		AF
Franklin, M. K. ..... Dec. 30/40		N
Fraser, Colin M. ..... Apr. 15/41		A
Fraser, Weston A. .... Oct. 9/40		AF
Freed, Arthur J. ..... Sep. 9/40		AF
Freeman, R. N. ..... Feb. 5/41		AF
French, Corals ..... Nov. 28/40		AF
Friesen, J. R. ..... Dec. 2/40		A
Frost, E. L. ..... Mar. 13/42		A
Fuchek, J. ..... Mar. 25/41		A
Fucile, E. ..... Apr. 17/39		AF
Fink, J. M. ..... Apr. 9/41		N
Fiskar, C. U. ..... Nov. 25/40		A
Floate, N. C. ..... Oct. 20/41		AF
Forbister, C. ..... Oct. 27/41		AF
Fortes, A. G. ..... Apr. 2/42		A
Franchi, F. A. ..... Oct. 28/40		A
Fraser, S. K. ..... Nov. 29/40		AF
Frolic, G. E. ..... Oct. 29/40		AF
Fron, T. ..... Feb. 12/41		A
Ferris, F. J. ..... Oct. 30/40		A
Fielder, G. E. ..... Aug. 10/42		N
Ferguson, M. ..... Mar. 16/42		N
Frost, H. D. ..... Nov. 5/40		A
Friday, W. T. ..... Dec. 5/39		AF
Fulton, H. J. ..... Apr. 23/40		
Fabio, Primo ..... Jun. 4/40		A
Fines, G. A. ..... Jul. 27/42		AF
Froelich, Miss A. H. Apr. 17/42		WD
Fines, I. F. ..... Jan. 30/41		AF
Fiori, L. E. G. ..... Oct. 28/40		N
Fisavage, Miss A. .... Jan. 9/41		WD
Faegre, H. ..... Dec. 6/40		N
Farquharson, N. D. .. Apr. 17/41		AF
Finlay, J. M. ..... Jul. 8/40		AF
Fitzpatrick, J. D. .... Dec. 11/40		N
Franchi, L. J. ..... Jan. 9/41		A
Ferguson, L. ..... Nov. 22/40		N
Federonick, Wm. .... Mar. 5/41		A

SNAPSHOTS WANTED

It is anticipated that in the near future the "Aircrafter" will run a feature, reproducing good snapshots of plant employees, or their immediate families. We are aware that there is a scarcity of photographic materials and films, however, many of the employees have been able to get good pictures in the past, and if they are clear and distinct, we will be only too pleased to reproduce them. We suggest the following subjects as being suitable:

Pictures of babies of plant employees.

Pictures of groups of plant employees on picnics, etc.

Pictures of a plant employee participating in some sport.

Pictures of former employees who are now in the services, preferably in uniform.

Pictures of employees husbands now in the services, preferably in uniform.

Group pictures of more than one person in the family serving in the forces.

Those pictures which are not used will be returned to the owners, however, the pictures which have been accepted cannot be returned, since they have to be mounted in order that halftones may be made from them. Start now and send your pictures in. Write your name and department number on a separate sheet of paper which should be pasted to the back of the picture—Do not write on the print itself.

FOR THOSE WHO LOVE THE OUTDOORS

Now that summer has come to the Head of the Lakes, many of our employees who hail from the Prairies will be given an opportunity of getting out into the country and viewing the grand scenery that exists in and around Fort William. To the many desciples of Izaak Walton, there are good fishing streams, or if one prefers it, lake fishing, where the tired war-worker can still enjoy the thrill of hooking a Big 'Un without unnecessary hardship of hiking through bush trails. Curtailed automobile transportation should not deter anyone from getting out into the country during these off hours, as street cars and bus routes can take one to the outskirts of the city where a short hike will bring them right into the country. To those people from the west who are not used to bush country, don't go into the bush alone, as there is every possibility of becoming lost in the thick bush. When lighting fires to cook meals, make sure that the fire is out when breaking camp, this latter piece of advice is very important as much of the wealth of the Head of the Lakes comes from our bush country, and the loss from a careless smoker, or a camper in leaving his fire burning, can rapidly mount up to thousands upon thousands of dollars, besides the loss of valuable game.

HAVE YOU ANY GOLF CLUBS FOR SALE?

That famous old Scottish game of golf, better known in the vernacular of the Scotch as "hitting the wee ba'," has really caught on with the employees of the Canadian Car and Foundry. Quite good turn-outs have been experienced by the club officials in the past two weeks; however there are still a few fellows, and girls too, who would very much like to play but just haven't got the golf clubs, so if you, dear reader, know of anyone who has a set of golf clubs rusting away in the basement, kindly advise the editor of the "Aircrafter," or Mr. Geo. Bicknell, and perhaps a sale could be arranged. In this way you would be helping some fellow worker to participate in a grand old game, while at the same time find yourself some ready cash with which to buy more bonds or War Saving Stamps.

YOUR TALENT IS NEEDED

A recent release sheet of the A.I.R.C. shows a bevy of beautiful girls employed with the Fairchild plant at Longueuil, Que., who are also manufacturing Helldivers for the American Navy. These girls are rehearsing intricate dance steps as part of a show which the employees at this plant are forming in order that they may entertain soldiers, sailors and airmen at the various camps. This same idea has been mooted for some time at the Can-Car plant, and so far many employees have turned in their names as being willing to participate in a musical revue. We have the talent and the enthusiasm, so there should be no reason why the local plant employees should not be able to put on a bang-up show towards the end of the summer. It takes many kinds of people to make up the show, and some of the most important parts are actually played behind the scenes, such as script writing, dressmaking, lyric writing, the painting and handling of scenic drops, coaching and directorship, so if you think you could help out in any of these positions please get in touch with Mr. George Bicknell, in the Main Office, and, as the Englishman says, "Let's get cracking."

BLOOD DONORS

It is gratifying to note in the latest issue of the Canadian Car Journal, that the Fort William plant is right up on top together with the Propeller Division, by having Mr. L. J. Addouno of the Fort William plant tied with Mr. J. W. Stauber for top place, both having made thirteen donations to the Red Cross Blood Donor clinics. Since the report was submitted to the Journal, Mr. Addouno has again gone to the clinic, bringing his total now up to fourteen donations.

C. W. (Chuck) Hunter to Carry Out Special Assignment For Army Air Force

The latest issue of the Curtiss-Wrighter carries a report that Mr. C. W. (Chuck) Hunter, factory manager at Columbus is leaving to perform a special assignment with the American Army Airforce. Many of the old employees of this plant who knew him as plant manager here in 1936 will be glad to hear of him again.

FOR DEPARTMENT REPORTERS

The page of Department News is a worthwhile feature in the "Aircrafter". Plant employees like to know just what is going on in other departments, besides their own, just as these employees do in the departments concerned. There should be no shortage of material, as it is quite evident with a plant the size of our own, employing as it does, thousands of people that there should be something happening every day. Human interest stories of employees are always good copy, such as regular attendance at work, blood donors, mothers with sons and husbands overseas, etc.; social funtcions are also very acceptable copy, as it gives an opportunity to mention the names of many of the employes in the department who participated. Weddings and births are among the favourite subjects and should not be overlooked by department reporters. A pamphlet is being prepared at the moment outlining suggestions, and giving the young reporter some idea as to what to write and how to write it, which will be an aid in discerning good copy, and material. Department heads, foremen, and department reporters who would like to have a copy of this pamphlet can secure one by sending their name, with department number, to the editor of the "Aircrafter".

DEPARTMENT NEWS

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

Great things happen at and over week-ends, and momentous decisions are made. Among these, the tell-tale appearance Monday morning of a diamond on the right finger of the left hand of Vi McParland, causing our hearts to flutter.

Friday, a large gathering witnessed the presentation to Mr. Walker, who has enlisted with the R.C.N.V.R., of a smartly engraved McBrine travelling bag with matching smaller leather-zipper case from Engineering and Plant personnel. The presentation was made by Mr. W. J. Henderson, with whom Mr. Walker first worked, in the absence of Mr. J. I. Carmichael. Mr. Walker expressed deep gratitude. The beautiful scroll accompanying the gift and giving names of donors was the work of Bert Allen of Drawing Change. Our best wishes go to Mr. Walker.

Messrs. J. I. Carmichael, C. G. Stewart and W. J. Laughton returned to the plant at the week-end from a business trip spent in the east visiting Canadian Car and Columbus plants. While in Montreal they saw Mr. J. Lundy and Mr. W. Green, both recent employees at the Fort William plant. Fairchild, they report, have someone in the Cafeteria during lunch-hour tickling the ivories in order to tickle the appetites. At Columbus, the weather was 86 degrees (daytime), with leaf-bedecked trees, gardens planted and flowers blooming. The plant, located approximately eight miles from the city, has a staff of 30,000 odd, and constitutes a community in itself. Scooters for personnel are an additional mode of transportation within the plant, saving two hours on shoe leather with oft-times its accompanying anguish. Likewise, here, the Cafeteria enhances its atmosphere with recorded music. One of the recreational organizations consists of a Bicycle Club —this, no doubt, of interest to our own Athletic Association. Two papers are issued—"Curtiss-Wrighter" weekly by Curtiss-Columbus, and "Fly-Leaf" once a month by their head office. A special night has been assigned by Columbus for shopping of war workers—Monday being known as "Defence Workers Night." Our trio report plant cleanliness, up-to-date metal equipment and an air of efficiency. Let's duplicate this at Cancar.

More next week.

DEPARTMENT 66

The two shifts under Miss Doris Johnson and Miss Annie Duncan wish to thank Mr. Jack Gibson and Mrs. Daisy Dewar, our lead lady, for our new location in Department 66, which is located across the road from the main plant in the W.A.A.C.'s building, formerly the old 102nd Training Centre. The gang thinks it is swell.

Miss Annie Duncan's shift had two birthdays in the past month, Mrs. Minnie Morgan and Mrs. Peggy Stirrett. A little birthday lunch was held during the lunch hour with two large cakes appearing on the table, made and donated by Mrs. Mae Brayatt and Miss Annie Duncan. Happy birthday to you both.

The shift welcomes the new girls who have joined our department: Sally, Mary and Odie from Moose Jaw, also Freda from Fort William, and Jean from Winnipeg.

Your reporter can't overlook Bert who is the chaser in this department, who also had a birthday. Many happy returns.

1 DEPT. 33—VIEW ROOM 1

View Room bowling championship was won by Connie Lukanne, Rita Thompson, Lillian Barker, Norma Long and Howard Nuttall. Banquet and get-together will be held Sunday, May 28.

Nels Littleford, shift foreman, transferred to Final Assembly recently. He was presented with a very nice Gruen wrist watch by his shift workers. His duties in the View Room have been assumed by Norm. Owen.

Rae Guenetet left last week for Toronto. Johnny Lukacin is leaving us on the 22nd to join the Navy. Johnny was presented with a beautiful leather writing case by his fellow workers. George Lord started in the View Room last week, coming from Queen's University. George worked in Shipping formerly.

Two newcomers, Jack George and John Maltman, have been attending the University of Saskatchewan.

Dvr. Gunnar Kikander, former View Room employee, is recuperating in hospital after a serious accident in Italy. Gunnar is the brother of Walter Wikander, View Room old-timer.

A newcomer from Amherst, stenographer Eleanor Seaman, is working in Receivers. Eleanor likes red heads. We hear from her that Norm McDonald, former inspection foreman in Tool and Jig, and Chief Inspector at Amherst, is now married.

DEPARTMENT 30

We extend our sympathy to Mrs. Muckle, who lost her father May 9.

Cast your admiring glances in another direction, lads, as the lovely little lady in charge of Canteen No. 2 is now Mrs. Jimmy Aniuk. Good luck, Gerda and Jimmy!

Something is going up in the Cafeteria, and it is not the prices. Looks as though Mr. Creighton is getting a new office.

We must have a rabbit's foot somewhere around the Cafeteria. Mrs. Palka was the lucky lady who won the $500 bond.

The Cafeteria is proud to be in possession of the shield for lowest absenteeism the week of May 8. I think we intend to keep it.

Notice how lovely our food checker, Mrs. Bohonis, is looking these days.

Alice James, our left side food checker, is looking through rosy glasses lately. Who is the mysterious gentleman in airforce blue?

Three cheers for the Canada Car girls. They know what they want, especially when they dine at the Cafeteria. Their money is ready too, and they don't flash $10 bills to slow up the service. The ladies go through much faster than the men. So please take the hint, gents. The chap at the end of the line might be hungry too.

DEPARTMENT 7

Welcome home, Polly.

We wonder why Gladys comes to work feeling happy as a lark every ten days. How about it, Gladys?

Who are the two twitterpated smoothies of the Tool Control who are taken for sisters all the time?

Did you ever see a pigeon on a boat?

Why do some of our "men" folk go over to the Staff House for dinner? Do you get your morals lifted, boys?

What South American looking gentleman from Port Arthur has our glamorous Mary fascinated?

Pretty smooth paint job you've got on those gams, Lil. How about doing mine for me sometime?

PRODUCTION OFFICE

Who is that certain gentleman in Dept. 1 who stays home nights admiring those gals in Eaton's Winnipeg catalogue? Is it a question of summer dresses and some are not?

Who is the girl from Dept. 1 who received a Mother's Day card while sick in hospital with a severe cold? Could this be the sender's fault?

Seeing that the Air Force have moved out of Fort William, Larry, are you going to give the Navy or the girls from the plant a break?

Whose tooth paste are you advertising, Kay? Could it be Colgate's?

What have the girls from Fort Frances got that the Fort William girls haven't? Maybe John can tell us.

Kardex Breakdown: Are you satisfied with your typist "Rosalita"? She's not a blonde but oh can she type!

Congratulations, Jerry! ..You must have something that the rest of us boys from the Production haven't got, for it took you to breakdown our man-hater. How about it, G.M.?

The boys want to know more about this "Ten Pin Club." Smarten up girls and divvy out!

Welcome back, Pat! We hope you had an enjoyable holiday.

Since Bill and Penny are both moving, how about a joint house warming?

Now that a certain Sailor has left town, perhaps one of our girls will get more sleep.

Keep smiling, Pearl, six months is a short time. The Air Force is quite lenient with their furloughs.

Production needs a good reporter. How about a permanent position, Evelyn?

DEPARTMENT 68

Detail Assembly

The department is losing one of its leadmen shortly, Nick Makahanuik who is going off on a few months leave of absence — doctor's orders for the good of his health.

Miss Elva Smith came beck to work in the department Monday after an enforced holiday of several weeks due to illness.

Last week's blood donors from 68 included Mrs. Alice O'Neil and Miss Barbara Dibble.

Incidentally the department can boast the unique distinction of having in its midst the first donor in Fort William's Canadian Car plant in the person of its time checker, Mr. George Ruete.

A silver button testifies to the fact that George has made several more donations since.

ON THE SIDE

Alice Shooman had died and passed into the Great Beyond. A guide was showing him about, but after an hour of sight-seeing, the Fort William chap remarked, rather contemptuously:

"Well, I've heard a lot about what Heaven would be like but after all it isn't one bit different from Fort William."

"Heaven," exclaimed the guide. "Man alive, this isn't Heaven!"

Alma Sideen: "What wonderful progress has been made in flying. It seems nowadays man can do anything a bird can do."

Leo, her leadman: "Oh, yah! Well, when you see an aviator sitting on an egg, you come tell me, eh, and I'll have a look."

DEPARTMENT 20

Miss Carol Cockburn has been transferred from the Toronto office to the Fort William Purchasing Department where she is assisting Mr. Gordon Opie on Purchasing Expediting.

Mr. James Neil, better known to his co-workers as "Jim," has been transferred from Accounting Department to Purchasing Department. Jim is an old employee and with his wide experience should prove a valuable asset to Purchasing.

On Monday evening, May 22nd, the Purchasing and Customs gang put on another of their popular get-together parties. Festivities were staged at the Italian hall where after a copious filling of real spaghetti with trimmings, the upper hall was taken over for dancing.

Highlights of the evening were provided by the encouraging and appreciative remarks of our chief guest, Mr. J. J. Russell, and watching the antics of the spaghetti eaters. Watching some reminded one of a fisherman with badly tangled nets, while others handledthe stuff with a skill indicating frequent holidays on the Isle of Capri or an extended sojourn on the Italian front.

Two other plant luminaries, Mr. Gordon Kells and Mr. Bob Henderson, were also guests and added further lustre to a very brilliant function.

The dance floor was excellent and well patronized. When it comes to a first-class exhibition of terpschorean art and poetry of motion, the girls in Department 20 are second to none.

Our sincere thanks to Mr. H. Cook for his sponsorship and to Miss Ida Haggart and Miss Clara Gereghty for andother Department 20 job well done.

DEPARTMENT 32

Everything goes to sleep in the winter and bursts forth with a great bang in the spring. This apparently happens to the reporter of Department 32, as he really woke up and garnered all the department news in a very short space of time.

Since the Inspection staff are spread all over the place throughout the plant, it has been said that they cover a multitude of sins.

Miss I. Petterson has been transferred from Inspection Records to Free Issue Stores, in the 102nd buildings.

Miss Madeline Vienneau, who has been transferred from the Amherst plant of the CanCar, is now employed with the Inspection Records.

Miss Ella Lolacher is a new employee in the office, having come from Prairie Airways.

Judging from the last two items in this news column, it looks as if the Inspection Record Office is the meeting place for the East and West, so the guy who said "Never the twain shall meet" couldn't have worked for the CanCar.

Two new employees in the office are Miss Margaret Hogan and Mrs. Nixon, the latter having been transferred from Production Office.

Your reporter heard something about a new hair-do in the office, but as his time was taken up with the inspection of some new "forms" I'm afraid it will have to go till the next issue.

The Angler's Prayer

Lord, give me grace to catch a fish,
So big that even I,
When speaking of it afterwards,
May never need to lie.

C.C.A.A. GIRLS' VOLLEYBALL

Girl's Spring League

The windup series started last Friday at the Y.M.C.A. in the form of a volleyball tournament. Several good games were witnessed and before the tournament is completed there promises to be some real thrillers. Lofting and Scramblers showed better form than the other teams, due to the fact that they had had several practices. Once the Bombers, girls' senior basketball team, and Purchasing have a few practices the teams should be fairly well matched. The games were handled by Ted Matthews and Jack Loney.

Standing:	Won	Lost	Points
Scramblers	5	1	10
Lofting	4	2	8
C.C. Bombers	2	4	4
Purchasing	1	5	2

Scramblers: Mae Lem, Shirley Mo Parland, Mary Bain, Ruth Frake, Lila Friday, Muriel Black.

Lofting: Mary Thibaudeau, Ann Lewko, Marge Saidock, Edna McCullough, Ermyol Eady, Terry Perner.

Bombers: Marj Purcell, Lil Goodman, Ann Gillis, Emma Pappas, Doris Johnson, Etta MacDonald.

Purchasing: Helen Bruce, Audrey, Gibb, Helen Lawrence, Helen Kushner, Myrtle Hattfield, Ann Klymko.

THE POET'S CORNER

OUR VICTORY GARDEN

Each year we'd gazed with longing eyes
At corn so strong and tall,
At peas and beans and turnip tops
Over the garden wall.
So we decided that we too
Would take a spade in hand
To dig and plant for victory
Our little plot of land.
Stiff and sore with aching back
We crawled each night to bed,
To dream of spicy radishes
And tomatoes plump and red.
We fought a winning battle
With cutworms. slugs and weeds,
And tended like a mother
The slowly sprouting seeds.
Our Victory garden flourished,
Each plant grew straight and tall;
Now our neighbors cast a long eye
Over the garden wall.

—Isa Barr.

TO A NORTHERN STREAM

(F. Holley)

O rippling stream, within thy rocky bed
Reflecting light, which glances
through the trees,
E'en where thy waters—pooling—
catch the breeze
Which tempers the hot sun from
o'erhead;
Or moving tranquil when thy course
has led
Into some forest deep, where bracken
grows
And—in the woodland glades—the
pale primrose,
The call is strong to one with nature
wed.

To me the call is irresistible
On summer morn, for then the brook-
trout dart
From shadowed pools to catch the
unwary flies.
So—flies I proffer; indigestible
To darting trout. For ah! I have no
heart;
But, wearying not, I fish till daylight
dies.

Plant Employee Now a Paratrooper



Pictured above is Vernon G. Kimball in his uniform as a full fledged paratrooper, shaking hands with Mr. Neil Hogg, supervisor of Progress Department, while Miss Cecilia Hawkins looks on with approval. Vernon Kimball had been with the Progress Department for about two and a half years, and first enlisted with the Lake Superior Regiment early in 1944, later transferring to the paratroopers. After extensive training at Camp Shilo he finally graduated in May of this year, completing his five jumps to qualify him for his wings. After the expiration of his leave he will return to Camp Shilo where he will take an additional two months' course in Commando training, preparatory to going overseas. Only 19 years old, Pte. Kimball is of slight build and very keen on his work as paratrooper and his many friends in the plant wish him every success.

What You Don't Know "Can" Hurt You!

Fifty cases of smallpox strike a community and panic threatens. Not a citizen fails to take part in the mobilization against the germ, for fifty cases of smallpox justify the gravest alarm. Announce in that same community the presence of a thousand cases of syphilis and gonorrhoea and no one will ring fire bells. And yet syphilis and gonorrhoea can be more devastating than smallpox. They may smoulder in you for years, unrecognized, and make you helpless for the rest of your life.

More than three hundred thousand Canadians have syphilis, and gonorrhoea is even more prevalent. But there are still people who fear to contemplate these diseases.

Take the case of Arguing Al. He would face any man in an argument or a fight. But he couldn't face going to a doctor and finding out what ailed him—you know how some people feel—"What I don't know won't hurt me." That was Al.

When the sore that was worrying him went away, he said, "Aw, that wasn't syphilis." And he put the whole thing from his mind. Fifteen years later syphilis put him in a wheel chair for the rest of his life. From then on his wife and kids had to shift for themselves.

The payoff was this—Al lost out to syphilis. The doctor could have cured him if he had been given a chance at the outset.

Listen to the facts that should have warned Al: One in every ten cases of blindness in this country is caused by syphilis. Thousands of people in our mental institutions were put there by syphilis. Gonorrhoea cripples. And it may destroy the chances of both men and women for having children.

People can keep right on working while they are under treatment for syphilis or gonorrhoea. They are not a danger to others while they are getting cured. What can people do who can't afford to pay for the treatments? Thats' easy. They can get tests and treatment at a clinic. Or maybe you are one of the lucky people who can get an examination for syphilis and gonorrhoea at your plant. Group blood tests are a simple, effective means of revealing the presence of syphilis.

V.D.
CAN BE CURED!
SWEDEN'S ACHIEVEMENT
90% decline in 16 Years.

Blood testing is a highly confidential procedure—only the patient and his physician have access to the results. The 97 per cent. who are found free of the disease are reassured that their health, efficiency and family life are not threatened, and to the three per cent. who react positively to the test, modern medical science holds out a cure which is 100 per cent. effective if taken in time.

Get the information on these diseases from people who know—the doctor or nurse in your plant or in the health department.

If the doctor says the germs of syphilis or gonorrhoea have got you, stick with him until he says he has killed them off for good.—Pensions and National Health.

About one million Dutch have been turned out of their homes to make room for Germans bombed out of their cities in the Reich, the Netherlands News Agency reports.

GIRLS' HOSTEL HOLD SOCIAL EVENING

The Girls' Council of the Women's Residence was entertained Sunday evening, May 21st, by a very generous group of fine artists.

The program was arranged by Irene and Pearl Bysick, Gladys Hartley, Eleanor Gibb, Art Olgren and Murray McDonald. Mrs. Solomon, Residence Superintendent, announced the program which opened with the singing of O'Canada. Marguerite Cook, "Songbird of the West," led in community singing, followed by a piano solo of a melody of tunes by Pearl Bysick. Leslie Rubie and Basil Scully gave a humorous skit on a radio braodcast. Mrs. Prefontaine's rendition of a monologue on "Cheering up the Sick," and the tap dance by Gladys Hartly, Eleanor Gibb, Art Olgren and Murray McDonald entitled Two Hits and Two Misses, called for encores. Mr. Leslie Rubie sang two amusing songs accompanied by Mrs. Marie Slater at the piano. The Aerial Adagio, of grace and precision, by Gladys and Vic Hartly, was very much enjoyed, as also were songs by Marguerite Cook and Mrs. Prefontaine.

Highlight of the evening was the presentation of prizes by Erna Sheppley and Doreen Nesbitt to the Bowlers. First prize went to Rose Slobodian, captain of the winning team, "The Roverettes," which included Pat Slobodian, Bertha Giles, Marie Buck and Stella Buck. Mattie Witwicki received the second prize for the highest single game. Highest average, Elsie Goodrum, and highest total for three games, Mattie Witwicki. Greatest improvement of average, Isobel McGinnis, and consolation prize went to Edith Dean's team.

After the presentation, Mrs. Tudor, Provincial Supervisor of Wartime Residences, extended the courtesy to those who made such a delightful evening possible, and the program closed with God Save the King.

CANADA'S INDUSTRIAL ACHIEVEMENTS

The 24th of May, the Queen's birthday, makes us think again of Canada's part in the Commonwealth of Nations.

Canada's achievements in the industrial field in the last four years are catapulting her into a prominent position in world affairs. Sir Archibald Sinclair, British Secretary for Air, said recently that the Dominion is destined to emerge from this war as the fourth strongest military power in the world.

We hear and read these days of plans for post-war reconstruction—new super airplanes, air fields, autogyros for daily use, television, etc. Behind all these plans are men with foresight and imagination to see into the future. To bring these plans to fulfilment, the cooperation and team-work of all are needed—men of good-will and selflessness—men who put their nation before selfish demands and ambitions.

The European nations, Britain and China, are being drained physically, materially and spiritually by these years of war, famine and death. The peoples of the world are looking towards Canada for leadership and provisions now—and in the days ahead.

Canada can well become the laboratory of the new world. Here we have every nationality—a country which can be made rich by the special gifts of every race within it—a country which can be united by people free from all racial barriers, fear, hate and greed.

Thinking Canadians can help Canada accept the greatness of a post-war leading power that she may not consciously have sought.

"Character, like muscle, develops with use."