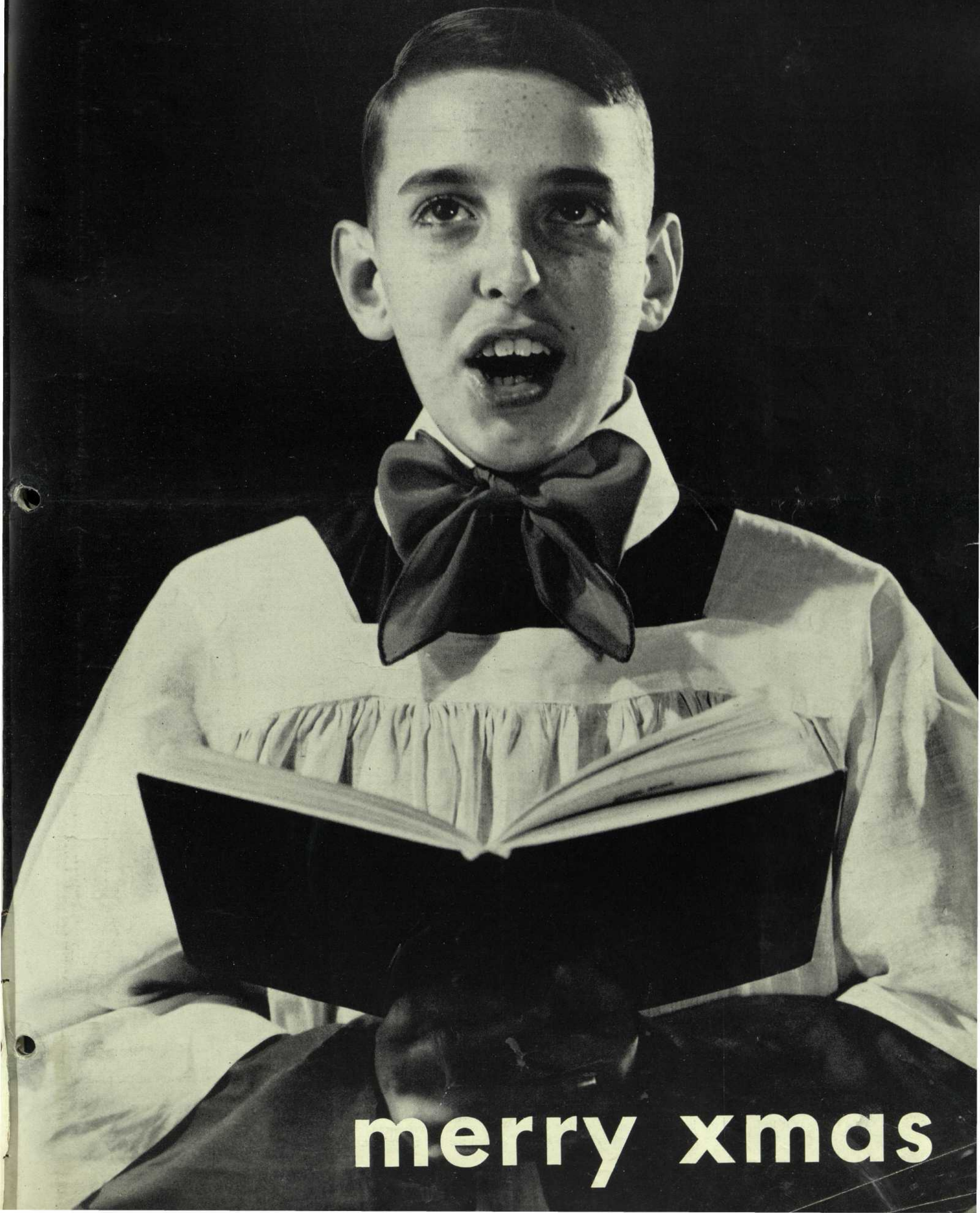


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for Victory!



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This paper is an employees' publication. Its aims are:

1. To present news of individuals throughout the two plants.
2. To keep former employees now in the service informed as to what is going on at Argus, Incorporated.
3. To present up-to-date information on all problems vital to employees which the war has brought about.
4. To give all employees an opportunity to express themselves.

No items will be used which will tend to ridicule or embarrass anyone. Humor and good-natured fun, however, are always acceptable.

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TO INSURE FINAL VICTORY

The announcement of the Argus quota for the Sixth War Loan Drive imposes an obligation upon every one in the Company.

We are asked to purchase \$54,000.00 in "E" bonds, and this means that each of us must dig down and buy at least a \$100 bond over and above our regular purchases.

A cash outlay of this size is very small compared to the value received and considering that the proceeds from this Sixth War Loan will provide the weight behind the punch that will provide final victory on the battlefronts.

Argus has always been a leader in previous bond campaigns . . . SO, LET'S LEAD THIS ONE.

DEPARTMENT 28

We have had to shovel a path to get in here this last month but we are still a happy bunch come what may. What with every one getting those long waited for letters and planning our Halloween' party. No matter how bad we feel and how busy we are and we think we can't take any more we will go on and take it. That's the spirit in our department.

A Halloween party was held at Marjorie Parke's mother's home and we sure had a good time. Such an array of costumes you never did see when the gang dressed up for the occasion. Marjorie's mom had us completely baffled as to who she could be with her lovely red wig and basket of gifts, including a lemon, a raw carrot and other funny things . . . Leola was a lovely gypsy . . . Amanda made a very handsome gentleman escorting the sweet little lady who was Lillian . . . The two Marjories were lovely "gay nineties" girls . . . Gert had mismatched shoes and a rope for a belt with her outfit . . . Nina's gay pyjamas and big straw hat fairly howled . . . Laura was a deck of cards, or rather three, as it took that many to cover her dress, hat and shoes

ARGUS HONOR ROLL

Men and Women in the Armed Forces

As the Christmas season approaches our thoughts turn, even more, to those friends and loved ones who are not able to be at home with us. We can say "Merry Christmas" and mean it, with all our hearts, but words are meaningless things if they do not have action. That action shall be our increased effort, in our humble way, to do everything possible to make this their last Christmas away.

To you who have worked with us and are fighting for us we promise that our wish for you is our prayer to God—"Peace on Earth, Good will to men".

Eddie Girvan, President
Argus Recreation Club

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. . . Our good friend Marylin made a very sweet little girl . . . No one knew the little humped over old woman with the cane and hooked nose till finally Clara came out from behind her mask and wig . . . Mary looked very cute in her Tuxedo with her high silk hat . . . Sally's outfit dated "way back when" and was really funny to see . . . It was hard to tell who the girls were even though we know each other so well.

After stopping at Ginny's for tricks or treats (chocolates), we went on a scavenger hunt. Each team found what they were sent for and returned home to play games. Laura thought her mouth was bigger than anybody's but she won the booby prize trying to bite an apple

on a string. After a delicious lunch the tired "kids" went home.

Every time the girls go out to dinner and have a chance for some fun Nina runs out of gas. She also plays a mouth organ.

Gert Haines will have a nice collection of souvenirs from England, France and Germany by the time Paul returns home.

The doctor was sure there was an invasion on the day Peg Remnant took her family in to have diphtheria shots.

Welcome to Mildred Markey and Mary Fox, new in the department. Hope you like us.

Esther Haworth nearly has a fit when the conversation turns to food. It happens when she is the hungriest.

There will be a happy family when Marjorie Parke's brother comes home for a week after his Boot training at Great Lakes. Hope "Binks" doesn't eat too much chicken.

Clara ought to be able to go out with the gang on Friday nights now that her new daughter-in-law is staying with her. She could get her washing done in the daytime now.

Marjorie Young might as well let go and have a swell time Wednesday nights. She will get her name in the paper anyway, good time or not.

Gotleib is a pretty busy fellow Wednesday nights after bowling. The Argus ladies and their gentlemen and Argu wolves pretty well fill the place.

PLANNING DEPT.

We have all done our bit by holding still long enough to be photographically "shot" for good old Argus Eyes. (Ask anyone how hard it is to find an expeditor and you will know what I mean). The only snag occurred when Ed Wasem told Anita she couldn't sit on Jack's lap to take dictation.

Helen Evans and her husband have been having some serious tooth troubles. That is, Mr. Evans has had the toothache, swelling, etc., and Helen has done all the worrying.

Wade Clay has joined the department since the last issue of this sheet. This addition caused quite a sensation until we got to know him well enough to ask him if he was married.

Muriel Raaf continues to beat her typewriter and dream of a G. I. guy in France or Belgium . . . And, of course, she doesn't worry about the Parisian girls. Mr. Raaf didn't go through Paris. Now the other French gals . . . well, there are a lot of Frenchies . . . darn it all.

Marilyn Smith also dreams. Her "to-be" is on some coast about to be shipped to some war some where some time. Things are so definite these days. And, of course, Marilyn and Theresa McCarthy help to keep our receiving records in the same condition.

We received a notice on November 1st that our boss, Ed Wasem, received more responsibility about the plant. Congratulations, Mr. Wasem. The only noticeable change this has seemed to make is that Ed is harder to find than usual. And that has always been difficult.

Jack Webber is running about tearing his hair just like us old timers in Planning Department. Only it's not for the same reasons. Some doctor at the Maternity Clinic told Mrs. Webber that Bday could be any day now. And it had better be soon or the whole plant personnel will be pacing the floor with Jack.

Mel Seeger (alias Cigar, Segart, etc.) is still raving about his Button. He has promised a lot of us that he is going to "bring her around" but has continually just promised. How about Mrs. Seeger bringing her in about a half hour before quitting time some day, Mel?

Anita Bedard, the head of our Bachelor Girls, has a career that she is studying for. This and a world tour comes ahead of a home and family (no twins), but her plans don't keep her from looking over all the manpower, as scarce as it is.

And last, but not least, in our department we have Bill Isabell and Gene Schumann racking their brains and waiting for a vacancy in the padded cell department.

As ever, Planners Nut.

DEPARTMENTS 43-46-48

Better keep an eye on those Woodchucks, so says Ross Wilson. They have really gone to town lately . . . won ten out of the last 12 and are out for blood.

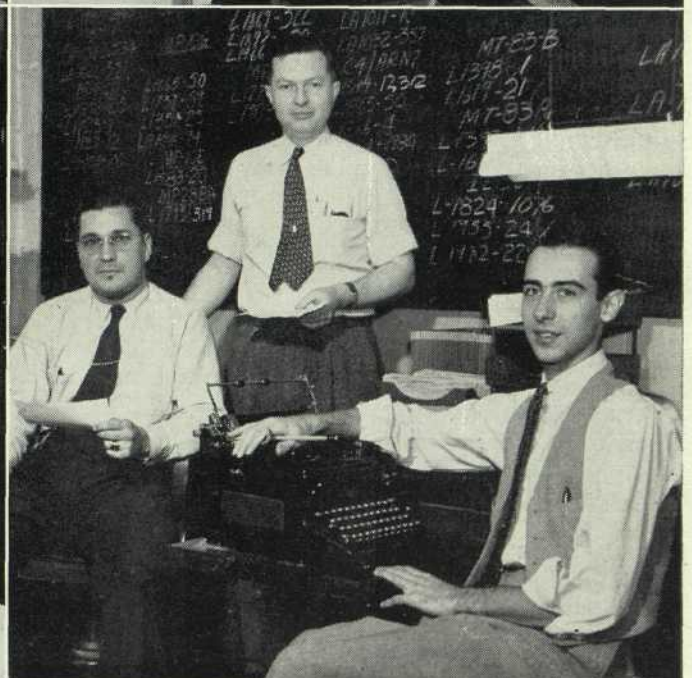
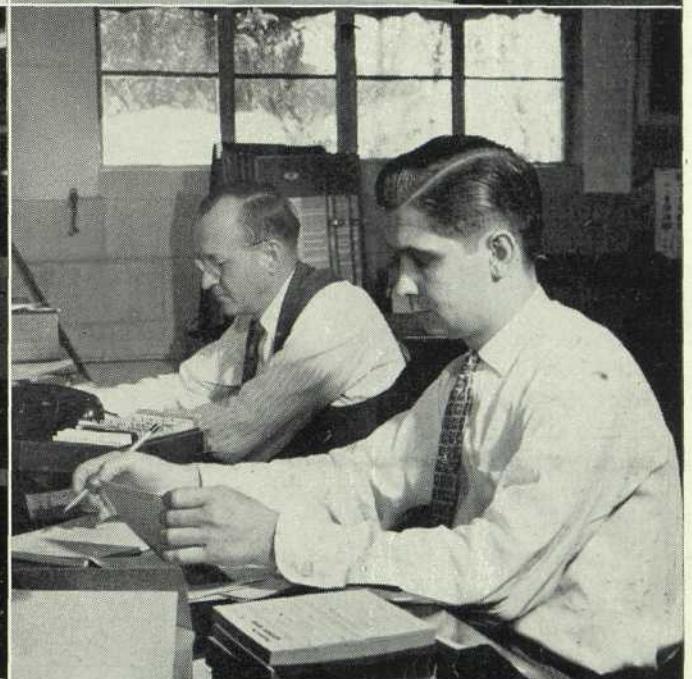
John Lockey and Margaret spent the week end in Kalamazoo with his mother and friends. They also visited a friend at the Percy Jones Hospital in Battle Creek.

Harold Morehead relates that recently in Ypsilanti he met a fellow worker from Aberdeen, South Dakota . . . small world this! "We had a nice visit and talked of days when we were together in the filling station. He also attended church and Sunday school in Flint on Sunday and renewed old friendships."

Edgar Fowler received a telegram from his son Herman, who has been in the South Pacific for the last year, stating that he is back in San Francisco and will arrive home about the 15th of November. He is a gunner and radio man. Happy day!

PLANNING DEPARTMENT

These expeditors maintain a steady flow of essential materials needed for war production.



Ed Wasem—Chief of Production Control, Plant I.—very proud of his farming ability.

Jack Webber—Expeditor — devoted husband, anxiously awaiting B-day.

Anita Bedard—Stenographer — consistently inconsistent regarding her future plans.

Marilyn Smith—Receiving Clerk.

Theresa McCarthy—Receiving Typist.

Marilyn and Theresa are the youngest members of the Planning Department, having passed their seventeenth birthdays.

Helen Evans—Secretary to Mr. Wasem—petite and particularly good natured.

Muriel Raaf—Spare parts clerk and stenographer — captain of Planning bowling team.

Bill Isabell—Expeditor—that merry twinkle in his eyes reveals a very congenial nature.

Wade Clay—Expeditor—south spoken gentleman from the South.

Eugene Schumann — Expeditor — "the man with the band".

Herb Oliver—Recently joined the department as Planning Engineer.

Mel Seeger—Expeditor—the proud father of a doll-like baby daughter.

HALLOWEEN CARD PARTY



Halloween Card Party

"We had a grand time . . . Your party was swell . . . It was a lot of fun . . . The prizes were marvelous, and so many of them!" . . . were some of the many nice comments heard following the close of the Halloween card party given by the Argus Recreation Club at the Masonic Temple on October 26th.

Although the crowd was comparatively small, all who attended had a lot of fun and expressed their appreciation to Francis Watterworth, Hank Millage and Roy Hiscock for their efforts in making the party enjoyable.

Most popular game of the evening was Euchre . . . of which there were about 18 tables in play . . . and high prize went to Ruth Wagner, with low to Vi Tyler.

Two tables of bridge were in play, and both prizes were carried off by members of the Advertising Department . . . Lucy Gridley and Stuart Gildart.

Jean Laskey was the Razzle Dazzle expert and won first prize at this game . . . whereas Stephanie Gala came up with low score.

One group of players chose Pedro, and prizes in this group were won by Mart Huffman and Wilma Bailey.

Musical (?) renditions by Eddie Girvan on the two pianos (not at one time, he's not *that* good) from time to time throughout the evening signaled the change of players for the Euchre tables.

Traditional refreshments of cider and doughnuts were served near the completion of play . . . and Les Schwanbeck, kibitzer par excellent, "assisted in pour-

ing." "Red" Conway, who took his cards very very seriously throughout the evening, indulged in a bit of dunking and was caught in the act by photographer Stu Gildart.

The drawing of prizes was the final event of the evening . . . and in anticipation of a larger crowd (It was free!), the committee had provided 95 door prizes . . . all in excellent taste and really "prizes". The few who did not win "door prizes" did receive a dozen doughnuts to take home . . . so everyone went home happy.



Fastidious Dunker

MAINTENANCE

Ed Sleezer has returned after having quite a battle with the cold bugs. Ed was pretty sick and on the verge of pneumonia, but with the excellent care of Mrs. Sleezer, and the morale boosting of the "boys" from the department, Ed is back and doing his usual good job.

Dutch Englehardt is building a "chicken coop" up on the third floor. We wonder who all the "chickens" are going to be?

SERVICE DEPARTMENT

It seems as though "Doc" Benson received quite a razzing over the election. He received a call early on the day after election . . . could it have been Conway?

The department had a Halloween Party during rest period on the afternoon of October 31st. The refreshments consisted of cider and cup cakes. Many thanks to Dixie and Phyl who prepared the party . . . it was swell.

We wish to extend our welcome to Phyllis Hagopian who is a new member in our office.

All good wishes and success are extended from the department to Dixie Babcock and Ray Elmore who will be married November 23 at South Lyons, Michigan. The members of the department presented Dixie with a wedding gift.

It seems as though Dorothy Jacobus has been up in the clouds lately. The reason . . . her brother Dick, with the Army Air Corps at Ontario, California is due home on furlough any day.

OPTICAL ASSEMBLY

The No. 1 dept. has acquired a new dictionary, so if you hear the gals using 50 cent words you'll know the reason why.

How are the girls going to get along without "glamour boy Wienman" while he is hunting four legged deer?

Doesn't "Gravel Gertie" have enough trouble without going to the U.S.O. dances? How about letting Ginny B. have that Marine.

Lucinda Stierle surprised us when she returned from her trip to Missouri wearing a pretty diamond. The lucky fellow is Pvt. Lauren Lutz who is now stationed at Camp Edison, New Jersey. Congratulations, Lucy and Lauren.

Here is a new one for a bump on the head, "The room was too small". What's the matter Dot, don't you know the size of your rooms yet?

Laura Purdon is leaving us in December to join her husband in Virginia. Laura does a great job in keeping up our morale. We'll miss you Laura, but are glad you can be with Bill.

Ann Letsis has been doing a lot of entertaining in Optical with those tricky eyes of hers. By the way, Ann, you aren't related to Jerry Colona, are you?

If you're wondering why there's a sparkling twinkle in Lila Lange's eyes these days, its because Nelson is coming home for Christmas. Oh! Boy!

Lois Bush, Katie Bauer, Helen Fraser, and Ann Letsis motored to Jackson Friday night to see Charlie Spivack and his orchestra. I guess that explains those "baggy eyes" next morning.

Dorothy Glick has announced her engagement to Keith Huntington MM 3/C, who is stationed in San Francisco. Congratulations, Dottie, and good luck, to both of you.

If you're hungry for a good spaghetti dinner, just drop in at the Letsis' home. It's really delicious! Just ask Helen and Katie.

What certain lady locked herself out of her car and had to call on the police force to help her out.

Speaking of modern inventions, who uses a long hose to communicate with a friend on the other side of the room while she is working?

Who are the two new characters in pre-assembly known as "Aggie" and "Bellig"? Introduce us, will you?

The girls are holding Red Peterson to his promise of a dance with each of them at the next Argus dance. You'd better be there, Red, or else . . .! Remember what happened last time.

Sandy always keeps a good bottle of Scotch on hand and one day he invited his good friend, Eddie, in for a drink. Handing him a glass of the precious brand, Sandy said, "that's the real stuff, about 50 years old." "Aye!" replied Eddie, "It's awfully weak for it's age!"

We would like to thank Ann for the use of her records here at the shop. We really appreciate them, Ann.

DEPARTMENT 27

Leona Eichel left a week ago and we were sorry to see her leave. She received a lovely gift from her co-workers. Joan Schmidt, formerly of Vance Murray's department, is replacing her.

We're pretty proud of Dora Eichel. Last Friday she donated a pint of blood to complete one gallon. Let's hope that it will save the lives of eight boys.

Bill Dixon has been ill for two weeks now. We miss you, Bill, and hope you will be back with us soon.

Leo Dent has been transferred to stockroom #2 from the truck. But he still comes back once in a while to match coins.

By the way boys . . . that was some bowling game Friday. Leo Dent and "Red" Conway had the best scores.

ARGUS PROFILES

By H. J. R.



PETERSON, Vernon C.

Quiet, lean, humorous supervisor of pre-assembly, Optical Division. Born 28 years ago at Alpha in the Upper Peninsula, Michigan. Is married and has a baby daughter, Kay Doyce, two-and-a-half years old. Searching enquiries throw no light on the mystery of his middle name. It is suspected to be Cassius (who had "a lean and hungry look.") Started at Argus as radio inspector in July 1937 and until last year was head of the Reticle and Etching department which the Company maintained at the First National Bank Building, Ann Arbor. Has a flair for cooking and makes pies with questionable ingredients. On the strength of this applied for a job as cook when eighteen years old. Proprietors of a well-known local restaurant were impressed with his abilities for two years. Ingredients of his meat loaves at that time are withheld by request. Hobbies: bowling (148): fishing (o): golf (103): photography (f.11 at 10th). Favorite experiences: (1) Vacation at Lake Leelanau, Michigan, three years ago with a few of the "Boys". Recalls that it definitely started out to be a fishing trip. (2) Celebration of his nineteenth birthday. Is nastily reminded of this by the authorities when applying for a driver's license.

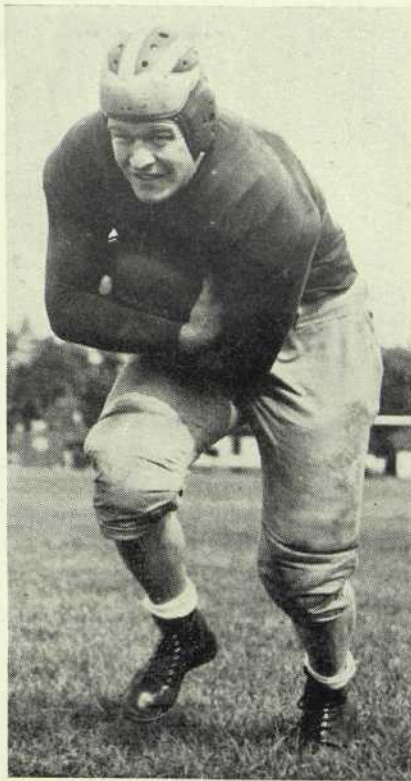
RUTH C. SCHARREN



Ruth C. Scharren became Director of Personnel on November 1 of this year. Formerly Assistant Director, she succeeds N. T. Brotherton, who is now Director of Public Relations. Mrs. Scharren came to Argus from Butler Brothers in Chicago in July of 1943. The year she has been with us has seen many changes for the better in working conditions and employe relations, and in a very substantial way she has enhanced Argus' reputation as 'a good place to work'. In regard to her office, she maintains a strictly open door policy—in fact she has had the door taken off.

SALES DEPARTMENT

"Nothing ever happens in the Sales Department", at least that's the answer when we ask for news, so we had to dig ourselves to provide the following:



Don Lund



Betty Lund

That we have a welcome addition to the Sales force in Betty Lund. We haven't had Betty very long but we have followed Don with interest since his South Eastern days, and we are proud to have the Lunds on our side. Don is co-captain of Michigan . . . good luck, Don, in the Ohio State game.



Thelma Faber

That we all did enjoy the visit of Thelma Faber, except Jackie, and she ran out of cigarettes towards the end of Thelma's stay. It speaks well for Jackie's loyalty to the company, however, because the glowing account she heard of Thelma's beaus must have tested it pretty severely. (or are we kidding ourselves, could it be that the charming Don might be in some measure responsible for this loyalty?)



Marion Nichols

That we lost and the Army gained another of our real nice girls when Marion Nichols left for the W.A.A.C. We don't begrudge the needs of the Army, but we don't like to lose any of our girls.

That Elma Lundahl is lecturing at the forthcoming meeting of the Theosophical Society in America, and the title of her paper is, "The Case for Immortality."

Children's Christmas Party

Saturday, December 16 — 3:00 P.M.

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MASONIC TEMPLE

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GIFTS — CANDY — MAGIC — MOVIES

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SANTA CLAUS IN PERSON

(Admission by ticket only)

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(Tickets are free and may be obtained from your representative. There will be a nice gift for each child, and we are sure they will have a grand time.)

Checking in at the blood donor unit are Herb Oliver, Kelly Goss and Madeline Mede . . . giving their names and home addresses and signing their Red Cross cards. This was the fourth donation for Kelly, who has several cousins in the army; and the fifth for Madeline who has a niece in the WAVES.

A Registered Nurse gives Herb Oliver blood pressure and hemoglobin tests. Data regarding health of the donor is also recorded. Herb has donated four pints of blood . . . has two brothers and one brother-in-law in the armed service, as well as 8 or 10 cousins.

Pulse and temperature are checked by nurse while Gerry Brown waits her turn to donate her third pint of blood. Orange juice is given each donor before blood is taken. Gerry has two brothers in the service . . . one in the Air Corps and the other a combat engineer in Germany, also a nephew in the navy, and two cousins in the army.

Before the needle is inserted, the area is localized so that there is no pain. The nurse is always in attendance and keeps close watch on each donor, and doctors are also present. Louise Cosens is the smiling donor. Louise has a brother in the Sea Bees, a brother-in-law in the navy and several cousins in the army . . . has donated twice.

The blood donor opens and closes her hand, which makes the blood flow more quickly. After the pint of blood has been given, the nurse signs the donor's blood card and designates the amount of blood given, and the date. At the same time a sample of blood is taken for tests. It's Gerry again with that big smile.

After the blood is given, the donor remains on the cot for a short while, sits up for a few minutes . . . and then a Red Cross worker takes the donor to an adjoining room where he is fortified with tea, coffee or milk, along with sandwiches, cookies or donuts . . . all you want to eat. Don Crump joins the ladies at the refreshment table and prefers milk after having made his second blood donation. Don has a brother in the army, and a sister who is a navy nurse.

Ten weeks should elapse between blood donations, according to the new Red Cross ruling, in order to permit the donor's blood to be properly built up. And the doctors say that anyone can build their blood up to the right quality by eating the proper foods, such as: prunes, spinach, milk, liver, greens, fresh fruit, steaks, lamb chops, lamb kidneys, beef hearts, etc. So, it's up to you to make it possible for your blood to save the life of someone who is fighting for you.

SAVE A LIFE--BE A BLOOD DONOR



MACHINE SHOP PLANT I

Herman Kogler must be considered the number one football fan of Argus, Inc. Herman has season tickets for all Michigan and Detroit Lions football games. When these teams are not scheduled Herman makes it a point to see another game at one of the surrounding schools.

Betty Stearns favorite song these days is "California, Here I Come". Betty's handsome Marine lives in the sunny state, and when the world again becomes peaceful, Betty will be going westward.

Could it be that Claud Hayes has made plans for a big event that he is not telling us about? Claud is rather evasive when asked about it, and a slight but becoming blush finds his cheeks.

Vince Richardson is now a regular member of the Brownies' bowling team. When one of the regular bowlers dropped

out of the league Vince took over the spot and so far has been doing a good job of it.

Harold Forbes has received a letter from Lt. George Winans who was reported missing in action. Lt. Winans was forced down on a mission over the enemy lines, but fortunately he landed in a neutral country. George is doing nicely, and reports to Harold that he is receiving the best of care.

The deer hunting season has opened and many employees from the department have gone up to try their luck in getting their buck. Those from the machine shop who have gone are: George Kline, Glenn Sheldon, Roy Hamlin, Whitey Roberts, and to prove that there is no such thing as the weaker sex, Betty Crim has also shouldered a gun and gone out to try her luck.

Our foreman Elmer Lawhead has ordered sweeping arms to place on all punch presses so that the operator can feel certain that his chances of injury on these machines is remote.

John Schuler of the toolroom is making plans for the future. John is now buying up chickens so that when he retires from shop work he can start up a chicken farm. Better get some literature on that business, John.

A week after Bill Zoellner of the toolroom had celebrated his fifth year with Argus, Fred Lepins also was here for five years. Congratulations on your good work.

Harold Sweet is the only employee of the toolroom who is carrying their hopes of returning with a prize buck. Harold has been going up north for the last several years, but feels certain that this time he will bring home the prize.

What is this we hear about Ed Bethke of the buffing department being called Mr. Anthony? We have heard the rumor that many people are going to Ed for advice on various problems.

Maurey Lyons who is with the Army Air Corps was in to visit with his many friends in the department. Maurey is just as handsome as ever, and he reports

the Army is O. K.

The department received a card from Chuck Pateck who was a former employee of the machine shop. Chuck is now in the Merchant Marine and is helping to deliver the goods to the fighting fronts. Best of luck to you, Chuck.

It seems that Jerry Spiess has been taking much interest in the progress of the Inspection team of the men's Argus League. What is the particular interest on that team, Jerry?

To Harold Forbes must go the best remark made after the results of the election were verified. Harold says, and I quote, "There seem to be many Dewey-eyed people in the department."

There are some bowling tournaments being held in Detroit and the Bears team of the Argus League would like to enter, but Winnie Doman and Mo. Howe do not think they will be able to make it this year. Could the results of last year's entrance in the Chene-Trombley tournament have anything to do with it?



CAMERA CLUB NEWS

Many persons are not familiar with the functions of the Argus Camera Club. This club meets every two weeks, on Thursday nights, at which time prints made by the members are exhibited, judged and voted upon by the members, and prizes are awarded to the winners. Lectures and demonstrations are given during the regular meetings, and on other occasions as noted by Camera Club Bulletins.

Among the interesting features of these meetings was the vacation picture show produced by Jan Van Den Broek. The movies were taken just previous to and just after the outbreak of hostilities in late 1939. They pictured peacetime Holland, the Scottish Highlands, several German cities on the Rhine (while they were still intact), some beautiful Swiss Alpine scenery, pictures of Paris, and lots of good salty ocean. Some of the films were taken from the top of the Eiffel Tower after war had been declared . . . quite a feat in itself. Van conveniently did not parley français when the gendarme tried to explain to him that one did not do these things when one's country was at war. Anyway, Van got the pictures back to America in spite of the submarine threat, and he says the Statue of Liberty looks much nicer the second time you see it.

On the last "in between night" lecture, Stu Gildart described the procedure of making good prints. The technique of print making seems to be one of the things which most amateurs should concentrate on, since a lot of hard work on the production of a fine negative will be lost if the print does not fully exploit the good qualities of the negative.

From a count of noses at the club meetings, it would appear that the employees of Plant I are not aware of the fact that there is a Camera Club. Let's dispel that idea right here and now. We would like to see as many Plant I members as Plant II members take part in the activities of the organization. The Camera Club offers an opportunity to learn photography, either for just improving snapshot taking or for the more advanced technique of making large salon prints. The print competition offers the incentive that most persons need to improve their work. Visitors are always welcome, so come up to the next meeting and get acquainted. The meetings are held in the Nickels Arcade adjacent to the Roy Hoyer Studios. For further information call Norm Hartman, Plant II.

D. F. Wheeler

DEPARTMENT 36

We're sorry to have **Headley Downey** absent from work on account of illness. Hope you're back soon, Headley.

Was that an election smile **Pat** was giving all of us on November 8th?

The rumor is that **Ed Clark** hasn't been having such good luck at euchre . . . what's wrong, Ed?

Leo Luckhardt was a very welcome visitor recently.

The **Hep Cats** have been very glad to have **Margaret Sindlinger** and **Marie Trenary** join their bowling team.

It seems that **Don Hindol** got his Christmas package early and it contained only gum. Here's hoping Santa will bring him a new record so we can learn a new song.

PORTRAIT EXHIBITION AWARDS
Argus Camera Club



1ST PRIZE

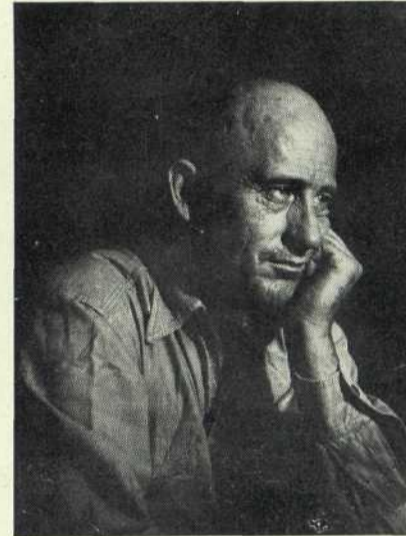
Eddie Girvan . . . Bill Patton . . . Red Peterson . . . and Verne Nelson, in this order, were the winners at the recent Portrait Exhibit at the Camera Club Studio in the Nichols Arcade.



2ND PRIZE



3RD PRIZE



1ST PRIZE (Beginners)

Harold A. has been getting eyes from a certain blonde. We don't know whether he's convinced her to buy a bond or has just been discussing the election.

Those shopping trips to Detroit have improved the morale of **Marie** and **Catherine**. Did you say shopping?

Fred Belser was quite happy until the college year began. Apparently he does miss that girl with the beautiful hair. Can't blame him . . . we miss her too.

Arlene Holtzman took advantage of the hunting season, but got her dear at the altar instead of the north woods. Now we address her as **Mrs. Ray Clark**. Congratulations, Arlene and Ray!

There's another fellow missing in the polishing room since **Howard Schwichtenberg** entered the service. Good luck, Howard!

Ann Andrews was certainly excited the week end she started her journey to San Francisco to see her better half. Leave it to the inspectors though . . . they would tag along to Chicago. Isn't that just like **Celia** and **Wilma**?

Since the cigarette shortage we've seen plenty of substitutes. The latest is pencil sharpenings. **Ross** says they're cheap too. Can't you just see him distributing them in the blocking and polishing rooms?

Who's the girl that goes along to all the birthday parties to help fix the flat tires . . . couldn't be **J. L.** surely!

Louise admits that she's not going to let any inspector get ahead of her.

Beware! If you have a feeling someone's sneaking up on you, it is **Marguerite L.** with some sly trick. She keeps things lively.

When things go wrong in the polishing room there is one fellow, **Larry B.**,

who is always calm and keeps things under control.

Katherine Notestine was hostess to a surprise birthday party for **Ruth Blanchard** recently. Everyone had a grand time too.

Since the woods are bare and still, **Annabel**, our botany girl, can only dream of picking leaves. Isn't it a cryin' shame?
Wilma Kennedy

ARGUS GALLON CLUB

- DORA EICHEL
- NAOMI KNIGHT
- HARRY SPARKS
- KEITH TRIP
- HAROLD WIRTH

'TIS CHRISTMAS

A time that comes once every year
That fills our souls with yule tide cheer
At long last it's finally here,
'Tis Christmas.

WITH presents for both Mom and Dad
(And don't forget the little lad)
Gee, how can anyone feel sad,
'Tis Christmas.

WITH many a good thing to eat
A tree all decked to add a treat
A joyous time that can't be beat,
'Tis Christmas.

WE take our gifts and home we go
Or entertain a G. I. Joe
It is a festive time you know,
'Tis Christmas.

THERE is one day we will agree
That won't be changed by a decree
A day that will forever be,
'Tis Christmas.

Hiffy

LADIES BOWLING
Plant I

At the end of the first round of bowling we find we have a well established league with lots of competition and sportsmanship. For being such a new league in the city you couldn't find a more interested group of girls. The scores are no more in the hands of the secretary when captains want to know where their team stands.

The **Pinbusters** are still holding first place regardless of the large spot they have to give. **Thelma Livesay** of that team has high series of the league with 501. This tops **Laura Egeler's** former series of 495. **Thelma** shares with **Laura Snearly** a high game of 189. **Laura** has high average of 146. **Leola Stoner** is having a little trouble but we know she will pull through in the pinch. We call **Laura Snearly** "Sneak 'em up Snearly" for her prowess in finding how the other teams are progressing. Some nights she has a long way to travel from alleys one and two up to eleven and twelve, to see who is winning there. This team has league high game of 805 and team series of 2230.

Ethel Soli is leading the **Five Aces** team with a 135 average. She has high game of 190 and **Sally Kneiper** has high series of 475. **Sally** has seven spares in a row for a nice 168 game.

Clara Schallhorn has high average of 138 and shares high series of 466 with **Frances Soderholm** on **Schuon's Service**. **Verald Adams** has high game of the league having 201. She went over her former high game of 193.

The **Jitterbugs** are a newly formed team. **Julie Apple** has high average of 132 and high game of 174. **Mary Raymond** has high series of 488. **Virginia Howard** has raised her average 18 pins. 'Twas a great night when the two **Marjories** hit their first 400 series.

Doris Lyons of **Accounting** leads her team with 135 average. **Verna Frost** has high game of 182 and high series of 492. **Ruth Howe** is having trouble hitting the 400 mark although she chalked up a fine 180 game one night.

Grace Henz's Victory team is another up and coming group of girls. **Eolah Bucholz** started off with a 129 average which she worried about keeping up. She didn't need to as she not only held it but has raised it to 131. She has high game of 180 and **Dorothy Wagner** has high series of 435.

Everyone likes to bowl with **Marian Poquette's Jolly Five** because they have so much fun. **Dora Eichel** has shown us all that she is a real bowler by raising her average each week. **Marian** has high series of 386 and **Irene Jardno** has high game of 157.

On the **Machine Shop** team **Elsie Gillespie** has high average of 128 and high series of 418. **Gertrude Sutton** has high game of 175 and **Leona Smith** is right behind her with 174.

Katherine Steinke leads the **Planning** team with a 128 average. She also has high game of 161 and high series of 407. **Leona Breisch** is a much improved bowler.

Orea Wetherbee's City Slickers are slowly creeping up toward the top. **Mary Tucker** leads this team with 138 average. **Clem Donner** put together five strikes in a row for her high game of 189 and high series of 446.

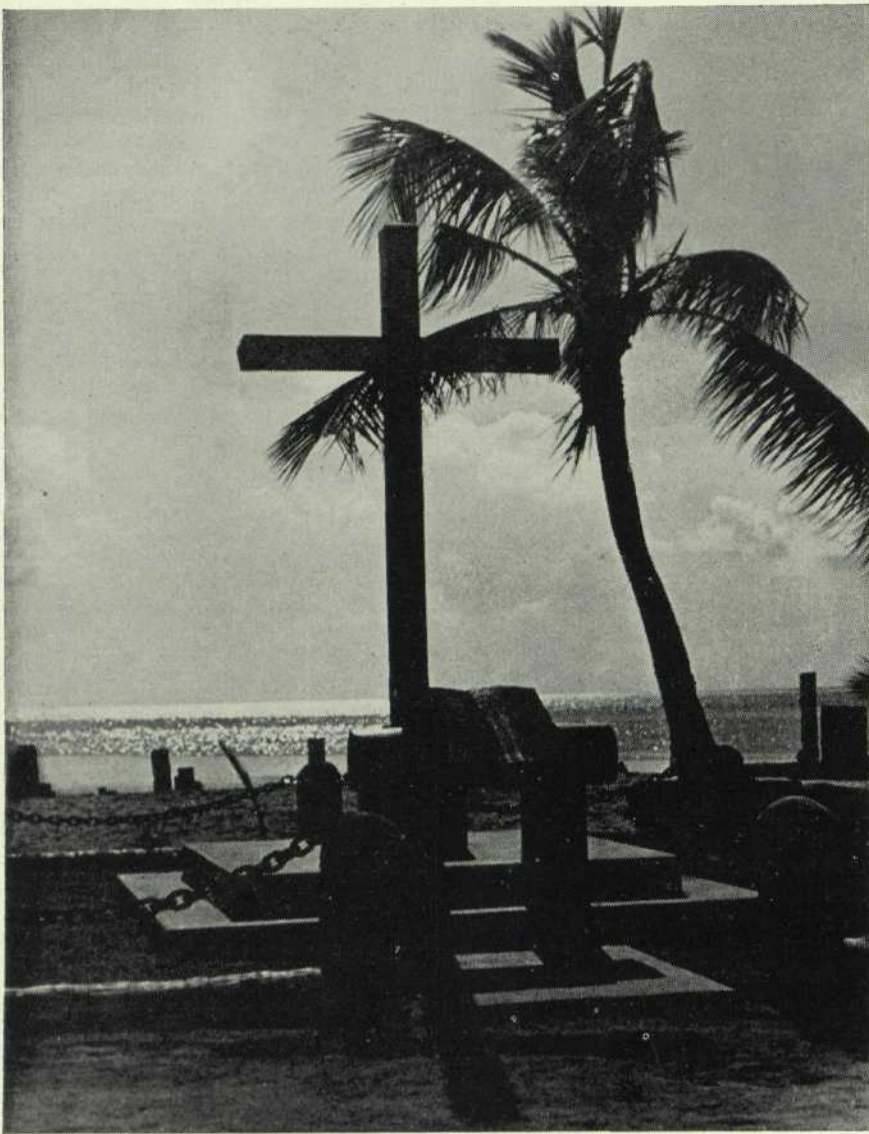
Vivian Reed's Challengers is a new team this year and are doing very well considering this. **Virginia Peterson** has high average of 120 and high game of 180. **Vivian Reed** has high series of 421 and a nice 174 game.

Regardless of the trouble **Hell's Angels** have had they are still in there plugging. **Florence Walz** leads this team with high average of 132, high game of 164 and high series of 442.

We also have a fine group of substitutes.

League Secretary, **Laura Egeler**

MARINE MEMORIAL AT TARAWA



This picture of the Tarawa Memorial was made on the enlarger and printing stand shown at side. (See story at side).

We are indebted to Lt. (j.g.) J. P. Strouss, U.S.N.R., formerly an Argus employee and now somewhere in the South Pacific, for the following letter regarding amateur photography in the battle zones . . . which was accompanied by these two very interesting photographs.

SUGGESTION PLAN WINNERS

Dorothy Williams, of the Machine Shop, suggested the use of a lever bar for the removal of a casting in a drill jib, which enables her to increase her production without danger of injury to her hands . . . and also enabled her to win a \$25 bond.

Beatrice Haines, Assembly Department, won her \$25 with a unique idea which she had put into practice long before it was written up. She conceived the idea of greasing her tweezers, permitting her to pick up three or four ball bearings at one time rather than the usual one at a time. One of the Time Study girls noticed this clever method of Beatrice's before it was written up.

Sid Wiener, of the Machine Shop, won two \$25 bonds this month on changing of methods in the processing of two parts, resulting in a nice saving.

SUGGESTION PLAN

This is a "Believe it or not." There are a number of envelopes containing replies to suggestions, in the Personnel Department. These replies have never been called for. We can't believe it.

So we're reminding all those who had bright ideas to watch the suggestion bulletin boards and pick up the answer in the Personnel Department immediately when their number appears in the "Action Taken" column.

The "Pending" column tells you that your idea is still being considered. But when your suggestion number appears in the "Action Taken" column—take action yourself and dash to the Personnel Department.

List of suggestion replies waiting to be picked up:

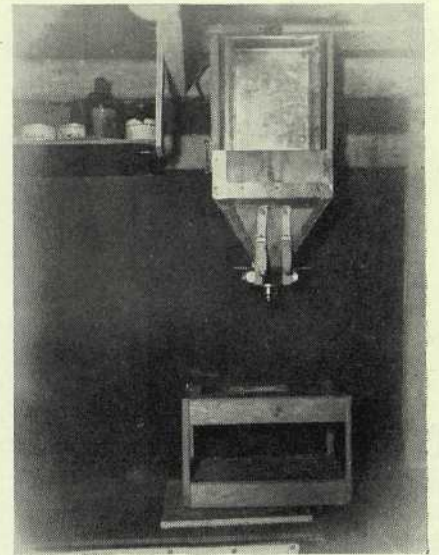
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"Knowing your pride in Argus cameras through an association with your company, I believe that you would like to see the enclosed two pictures and hear the story of a unique and versatile use of an Argus camera in a south sea island, amateur photography shop.

The dark room and equipment were built from the limited materials at hand by three of my storekeepers, namely: Robert G. Nau from Columbus, Indiana; W. Wayne Davies from Oil City, Pa.; and Scott E. Gillespie of Long Beach, California. The boys are purely amateurs, their equipment is makeshift and crude, their methods are trial and error; but the pictures they produce from this lash-up are excellent. And, incidentally, conditions for photography are far from ideal. All of their work is done in temperatures that range from 90 to 100 degrees and due to the scarcity of distilled water, they must use the water from native wells for the mixing of chemicals and washing.

The large picture is an example of their work. It is a picture of the Marine Memorial over a mass grave on Tarawa Atoll. It was at this now peaceful spot that the Marines fought to secure their first beach head. The shattered stumps and one battered palm tree remaining give mute testimony to the intensity of that famous battle. The picture was taken with an Argus A2F Camera that I purchased from Henry "Red" Hall, while I was working for your company. I used Eastman Super XX film with an Argus 2X Yellow Filter, but can't remember what settings were used. However, that isn't important. The picture's real significance is to show the amazing enlargements and quality of work that these boys can turn out with their improvised equipment.

The smaller picture shows their enlarger and printing stand. The main body of the enlarger is a 25 lb. tin flour can fitted with a tapering wooden bottom. Inside they have a 200 watt bulb and two magnifying shaving mirrors for reflectors. They also have a condenser lens from a broken movie projector which is held in such a way as to give greater intensity to the light. The negative carrier is two pieces of ground glass, which incidentally they had to grind themselves from ordinary glass. Their enlarging lens, as you can see, is an Argus A2 camera. It is held to the wooden lamp house by two straps



ENLARGER

from an army cot. The camera is set on time exposure and the lighting is controlled by an electric connection to a telegraph key. Aperture openings are varied to suit the density of the negative and the distance adjustment is set to meet the size of the enlargement desired. Their printing paper is held in various frames made from heavy manila filing folders. Hence you can see from the picture and description that the outfit is simple and ingeniously improvised from whatever happened to be available. But on the other hand the large picture is a testimonial to the excellent work they do with it. The success of enlarging is due to the versatility of the Argus A2 camera. It is the vital part. Without its adjustable mechanisms and perfect lens the enlarger would not have been possible.

Having worked with International Industries and having friends in the camera plant, I feel a closer connection to Argus than that of a regular satisfied owner of an Argus camera. That's why this unique use of an Argus Camera interested me more than passively and why I felt the story was worth passing on to you.

Please give my best regards to Joe Clemens, Kelly Goss, Rocky, Naomi, Louise, Ruth, Morrie and all the rest of the old gang for me. I'll stop by and say "hello" some future day when I get back in the old neighborhood."

Lt. (j.g.) J. P. Strouss

FAN MAIL

Not only do we receive word of how much Argus employees now in the armed forces depend on their Argus Cameras, but we also get "fan mail" from many enthusiastic Argus users. Among them, one from CWO George S. Beard, 51st Signal Bn., who writes:

"After 18 months of combat duty my Argus C-2, Serial #0276088, met an untimely end. The lens assembly was damaged beyond repair by a shell fragment. The balance of the camera is still in excellent condition.

The Argus camera is well represented in this theatre of operations and due to its "solid" construction it can really take the rough wear which is imposed on it."

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Lt. Frank R. Wilson, from somewhere in the South Pacific, writes that he purchased an Argus camera when they were first offered on the market, and that besides giving wonderful service before the war it has been with him constantly overseas . . . and has been through three campaigns.

"Recently, however, while engaged in a "beach party" it was crushed by a two and a half ton truck (concussion blew the truck on top of it). The lenses are intact but the case is cracked and the shutter no longer functions.

"Have seen several Argus cameras up in the 'hot spots' and I kinda hope that



Ernie Darnell seems to be up to some tricks . . . with Dick Doran the interested victim.

WANTED

The owner of an unclaimed card table.

This table is one that was brought in and checked for the card party. Anyone having check No. 383, please call for this table at the main guard's desk in Plant I.

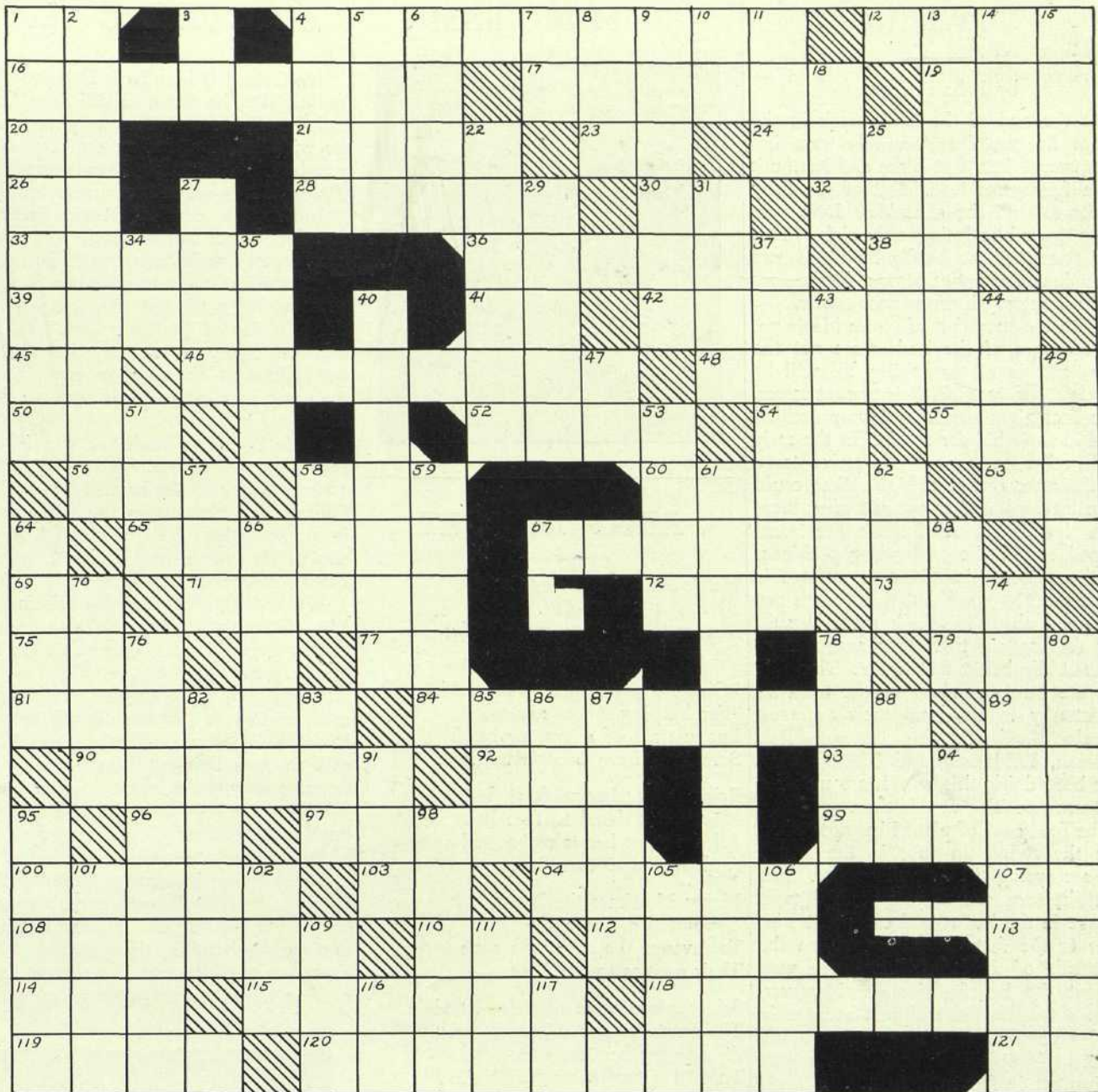
I may be able to pick up a good second-hand, late model to take the place of the one "Tojo" picked on. A fast lens is almost imperative here as the majority of the shots are taken in the 'bush'."

ACROSS

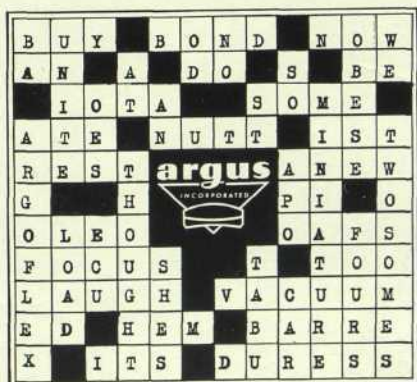
1. Thoroughfare (abbr.)
4. Result
12. Utilized
16. Convey from place to place
17. Allied people
19. Prefix meaning before
20. Regarding
21. On top of
23. River in Italy
24. Silk and worsted fabric
26. Each (abbr.)
28. Rampart
30. Mother
32. Precipitates
33. To one side
36. Swift place in a river
38. North Carolina (abbr.)
39. Silences
41. Paid newspaper item
42. Fortress
45. Comparative suffix
46. Magnificent
48. South American monkey
50. Condensed vapor
52. God of Love
54. Behold
55. Perceive
56. Strike lightly
58. Belonging to Ed
60. Ankle bone
63. Negative
65. Attic
67. Wearing three-cornered pants
69. On high
71. Fowls
72. Measure of length
73. Part of a circle
75. State of equality
77. Tantalum (abbr.)
79. Edible tuber
81. Strong odor
84. Clergymen
89. Exist
90. Stove
92. Males
93. English noblemen
96. Nickel (abbr.)
97. Unfasten again
99. Measures of area
100. Mountains in Russia
103. Father
104. Ticket
107. Grand Marshal (abbr.)
108. Alarm-bell
110. Senior (abbr.)
112. Small part
113. Sun god
114. Not home
115. Pertaining to a leg bone
118. Member of a political party
119. Quiet
120. State of being tasty
121. Myself

DOWN

1. Issued forth
2. Valued
3. Upon
4. In the distance
5. Festival
6. Walked
7. Registered nurse (abbr.)
8. Chart
9. Pertaining to a small particle
10. Musical note
11. Leap
13. Those who unite
14. Ireland
15. Compact
18. Neither
22. Procession
25. Type of bear
27. Fruit drinks
29. Opposite of zenith
31. Entrance
34. Neuter pronoun
35. Catch sight of
37. Stopped
40. Most red
43. Love
44. Legal claim
47. Act
49. A gas
51. Move back and forth
53. Heavenly body
57. Sack



58. Before
59. Vapor
61. Apostleships
62. Ocean
64. Drinking vessels
66. Act in response
67. Ditto (abbr.)
68. Arid
70. Road
74. Message
76. Decreases again
78. Plane surface
80. Table companion
82. Fastens
83. Feminine pronoun
85. Mischievous child
86. Require
87. Boredom
88. Pouch
91. Corded fabric
94. Railway (abbr.)
95. Outside
98. Fertile spot
101. A rake
102. Repose
105. System of signals
106. Headpieces
109. Insect egg
111. Rodent
116. Barium (abbr.)
117. Lithium (abbr.)



Last Month's Answer

This month's puzzle was contributed by Maurey Doll, and we invite others to submit original puzzles.

DEPARTMENT 18B

Peggy Watson underwent a tonsilectomy operation last week. She is feeling much better now and is back on the beam.

Malina Uphaus has left dear old Argus to spend some time with her husband in Colorado before he goes overseas. Best of luck to both of you.

Laureen Clinton, Luella Bafs, Geraldine Warren and John Albertson are now working for Mr. Swickerath instead of John Kenne.


The three musketeers Freida Wackenhut, Hilda Johnson and Ila Suffin are now running the mighty dial line.

GUARDS


Mrs. Mathilda Young has left the department to take a position elsewhere. As a receptionist, she will be greatly missed, but we all hope she will be happy at her new work.

The "Sutton Girls", Gertrude and Esther, are the ones who greet all visitors with a smile at the front desks.

Fred MacPherson has been on the sick list. We miss Fred's smile and hope he will soon be back.

mortimer the mouse by 

a funny animal a mouse is
as soon as daylights went
he romps around
through peoples houses
and doesnt pay no rent



Barb.

m o r t

BOWLING

by Babe Peterson

At the end of the tenth week in the Argus League, the Assembly team has maneuvered into first place and has built up a four game lead. Out of the forty points to date the assemblers have won thirty-two while losing only eight. This is a pace that can hardly be maintained throughout the entire season, but it does prove the strength of the pace-setters.

With the exception of Norm Hartman, the averages of the leaders are not too high, and in all probability all will be able to improve upon their present scores. This fact gives the team a very decided edge in their bid for a title. In the early weeks other teams made impressive starts, but their averages were higher than could be maintained, and as a result when these teams hit their normal stride the teams slipped out of the contending positions. At the present time Norm's average is above the 170 mark, but the team is not concerned about this high mark because they feel certain that their anchor man will not slip below that figure. This will give the other members of the team an opportunity to build up their averages. Captain Kaufman, Erv Domzal, Red Peterson, L. Harvey, and Eddie Girvan have been doing this, which accounts for the team's position at this time.

The Toolroom of plant I has now taken over the runner-up spot in the league and are eyeing the first place slot. The toolmakers are now carrying the high team average in the league and can point with pride to the fact that all games on the right side of the ledger have been won without the benefit of spot. However, when a team has the highest average in the league this early in the season and is out in front, the chances of that team coming out in front are rather nil. Their team average is most likely at its peak, and there is indeed a possibility that the averages may fall off before the final curtain is rung down. If this does happen, it is almost certain that this team will not win the crown for the 1944-45 season. This is not said to discourage the efforts of the Toolroom team, but it is a fact in any handicap league that the winner will be the team that wins the close ones at the start of the season and slowly picks up speed as the year progresses. The Argus Wildcats of Plant II are just such a team.

The Wildcats have been coming through in the clutches, but have not had to build up their averages too high. If this five can continue to stay close to the leaders it is probable that a late spurt such as they staged last year would carry them into the driver's seat.

The Office team and the Bears are tied for fourth place and are only one game in back of the Wildcast. The Office team has shown surprising strength in staying up there after losing the services of Lefty Schlenker. With the loss of Schlenk the brunt of the burden has fallen upon the very popular Roy Hiscock and the steady bowling Jess Cope. Roy has a knack of getting those extra pins at the proper time while Jess can be depended upon at all times to come thru with a good series. Jess is perhaps the steadiest bowler in the league. The Bears have been holding about the same place since the opening gun, but have been unable to get into any appreciable winning streak. "Mo" Howe and "Winnie" Doman were the main guns in the early games. These two have now cooled off and Ralph Mathieson, the pride of Milan, and Russ "Kentucky" Conley have been furnishing the extra pins in the late weeks. The Bears are potentially a good team, and if all the members can catch fire at the same time the team will cause some trouble in the league's standings.

The big disappointment so far this year has been the showing of last year's championship Radio team. The champs have

IN MEMORIAM



ARGY THE CAT

Here's the tale of Argy Cat
At Argus she resided.
Strange to say she grew quite fat
On food that Leigh provided.

"Give no pay to me", she said,
"For keeping Argus mouseless,
But just a roof above my head,
Because I have been houseless".

Brilliant was her work at first,
No rodents dared to face her.
All the mice her talent cursed
And wanted to erase her.

Mayor Mortimer the Brave,
Appointed a committee
To revenge the mice who gave
Their aunties to the kitty.

Subtle plans were made to goad
The feline to her ruin,
And to get her 'cross the road
To find out what was brewin'.

Though they feared her wicked foot
And no one wished to cross her.
Someone had to slyly put
The Cream Top in her saucer.

Each mouse drew a straw in turn
And as he drew he trembled.
Visages were grave and stern
On all the mice assembled.

When the hero's name was drawn
He faltered not a minute—
Found the dish with Argy gone
And poured the Cream Top in it.

When the cat had drunk her fill
It made her whiskers quaver.
Whistled she a feline trill—
Her legs were all a-waver.

She pushed her footsteps faster.
Following that brewery smell
Went into the street pell mell
And ended in disaster.

(Cats are said to be nine-lived)
(This story I deplore.)
(To cross the street she must have strived)
(At least eight times before.)

M. Doll

been fighting to stay even with the board, and at the present time are twelve games off the pace. This is too early to count them out, but being twelve games down with one-third the season gone is hardly an indication of a contender. The team has the same bowlers as last year so it is hard to explain their position at this time.

In the individual highs only one mark has been bettered in the league. Loren Bement's previous high single game of 242 has been bettered by Dick Bills of the Engineer's team. Dick is carrying a modest 150 average, but the photographer caught fire and posted a tremendous 257 game. Bills started out with seven in a row, missed the eighth, spared the ninth, and then struck out in the tenth. This is a tough assignment for anyone in the league to try to better.

ACCOUNTING DEPT.

Iva Covert is back from Denver, Colorado. They have moved Bill from Colorado to Florida. We're sorry you can't be with Bill, Iva, but very glad to have you back even though Florida would be a nice place to spend the winter.

In the last issue of Argus Eyes we mentioned that Jessie Hack was taking a two-weeks vacation up north but guess what!? We made a mistake, she worried so about her work that she came back on the 2nd day of the 2nd week. That is unusual! Most of us are quite glad to get back to the old grind but never would we come back early. Jessie sure is a conscientious gal.

Millie LaRue was one happy girl for a few days this month. A certain fellow (who answers to the name of Clare McGillen) on leave from the Navy blew into Ann Arbor. The only thing wrong was it was such a short leave. Cheer up, Millie, there will be others.

We had a visitor one day this month. Mrs. Gillespie's future daughter-in-law. A very nice girl, Mrs. Gillespie's son has good taste.

We're sorry to report that the big moment in Clem's life has not yet arrived. It won't be long now, when the Army gets through building him up after his overseas duty, he'll report to you, Clem. We certainly hope for your sake that the build-up the Army gives him is as good as the one you've given him.

Gerry Brown has finally convinced Joe Clemens that the Brown family has been keeping within all the rules and regulations while building their garage. Who knows, maybe the next time Gerry looks out her window she'll see a garage going

up on the Clemens property.

Madeline Smith keeps a good percent of the men in the service supplied with letters. Each day during her noon hour she makes a trip home to collect the 1 or 6 letters which have accumulated since she left early in the morning. Just a morale-builder at heart, eh Madeline?

Our Jeanne Clark, Mr. Miller's secretary, popped down to Greensboro, North Carolina, October 24th . . . to visit Don, who is stationed at the embarkation camp there. From all we have been hearing, she had a wonderful time. Upon returning one week later, she endlessly heard the hesitating phrase, "Miss Jeanne Clark?"



Mrs. Louise Cosens



"JERRY"

A boy and his dog is always a source of inspiration to the camera fan, and Jerry Cosens and his black cocker are a real photogenic team. Jerry's mother, Mrs. Louise Cosens, who kindly allows us to use this picture for advertising, is in the Sales Department. Photograph by Stu Gildart who is a member of the Camera Club.

LETTERS FROM SOLDIERS—

From Sgt. Lester A. Bailey

Dear Friends of Argus:

Received your very nice Christmas package today, which you so faithfully send every year. You can be very sure that I appreciate it a lot and all I can say is thanks a million for all you have done and are doing.

Well this makes the third Christmas away from my loved ones, and soon I will be able to celebrate my first year of overseas duty, here in Italy.

The weather over here in Italy is anything but nice. It seems that it goes from one extreme to the other. It rains every day a little anyway, just enough so we won't lose our best companion, which is the mud. It seems that when it really gets started it never knows when to quit.

We have some better conditions under which to live this coming winter. Last winter we had eight (8) men to the tent and now we have five (5). And now we sleep on cots where last winter all we had was the cold wet ground, and I do mean wet.

For heating, we sure do have a makeshift idea. We took an oil drum and cut it in half. Then we have a tank out side the tent for a reservoir with tubing to carry the fuel to the barrel. Then the fuel runs down a trough on to a steel plate where it burns. Of course its not quite as nice as a steam heated house there in the states but it does the job for us here. One thing about these makeshift stoves, you certainly can't trust them. They have the strangest habit of blowing up at the most inopportune moments. That is one reason we don't let them burn all night, but when we get up in the wee hours of the morning, the first thing we wish for is a cigarette and get this fire lit, as I can assure you that it gets mighty cold here in the morning.

For mattresses we have a cover which we fill with straw, and how the fleas and lice love to live in the same bed with us, so we have to change straw quite often.

As for diseases over here, there are a few that are prevalent. They are Malaria, Yellow Fever, and Yellow Jaundice. Another few days and we will be allowed to take our netting down which we have been sleeping under ever since early last spring.

I am still in the engine end of this bombardment squadron. I really do have a nice setup now and I have some very fine fellows working under me here. We work long hard hours regardless if it rains or shines.

Well the news sure does look good both here and in the S. Pacific too. I look forward to being home for Christmas of 1945 but not any sooner, though I really expect to serve time in the other theatre before I return home to stay, but if it will help to end this any sooner, then that's where I want them to send me.

I have an Argus camera here and I have already taken some 800 pictures with it, and they all have come out just as sharp as a tack.

I spent a few days in Naples, Rome and in Pompeii. While in Rome I visited St. Peters Cathedral and I saw the Vatican City and also the Pope in person. St. Peters is the most beautiful piece of work I have ever seen, but still they don't have anything over here that would compare with what we have there in the States.

I have been receiving the Argus Eyes regularly up until last month. I want to assure you that I look forward to getting the paper each month.

Keep up the good work there at the shop and victory will be assured in the near future. I am very happy indeed to serve my hitch overseas the same as many of my friends have done and are doing.

I had better close for this time and I thank you from the bottom of my heart

for the lovely Christmas package which you sent to me.

A fellow worker in Italy.

As ever, Sgt. Lester A. Bailey

We also received a very interesting letter from Sgt. Bailey last month which came too late for the November issue, parts of which we are quoting below:

"Received the August-September issue of the Argus Eyes, and as always, it was a very bright spot of the month again. Seems as if everybody else here waits for it as much as I do. I always start at the very beginning and won't lay it down until I have finished the last sentence of the last page.

It really is great having a shop paper coming to me each month. It seems like a real long letter from all of you. By the pictures I still see a lot of the old faces and then I see a lot of newly added ones. Maybe some one of these days all of us boys can return and take up where we left off at. Hope so anyway. (So do we, Les) . . .

Les goes on to tell us of the difficulties he has in carrying on with his photographic hobby.

I do my own developing here in the tent. In one corner I have wool blankets, on poles, and made my self a dark room. It is very crude but it does the work and that is all I ask. For pans I use helmets, have to save my developer and hypo so after all is done I take it and store it in vino (wine) jugs. It is about as scarce as hen's teeth over here. Can't do any printing because of the lack of material, but anyway I have the negatives.

Of the post-war period, Les says:

All of us boys over here wonder and worry what the post war world has in store for us. We like to think that the G.I. Bill of Rights will hold up, but to tell you the truth we do not have any too much confidence in it.

I am very proud to say my factory hasn't been on strike and slowed up the war effort. We boys talk a lot about these things, because we know we are directly connected with them. So keep up the good work, and I will do my best over here, even though it is a long way from home.

Thanks again for the Argus Eyes and everything else. Will close and have hopes of seeing all of you again soon . . . I hope.

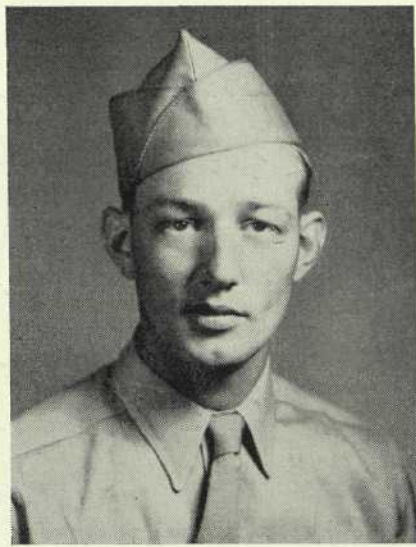
Congratulations on that third star for that efficiency flag. It's great, so keep it up.

Man-Eating Gopher



Pfc. J. L. Holdmann very kindly sent us this picture of a man-eating Gopher . . . which was photographed with an Argus camera. He says the fish weighed 517 pounds (gives our Argus fishermen something to angle for), and measured 7 ft. 2 inches from tip to tip. It was caught off the coast of Mackay, Australia.

PFC. HOWARD MUGGETT



We were glad to receive this photograph from Howard (formerly an inspector at Argus), now at Camp Wheeler, Georgia. Nice to have it, Howard, and all of us send you Best Christmas wishes.

Lt. Charles Van Aken in England.

"This is beautiful country here and quite different from home. Some of the houses are straw roofed and almost all of them are brick walled. Most of them are a hundred years old and are marvelously kept up.

Here they pride themselves on the age of things, they don't have skyscrapers or things like that. Instead they have low, large buildings with a long history behind them.

They don't have beer halls, instead they have "pubs". There are no juke boxes and people go there to talk not to drink. The drinking is secondary. They do have a few night clubs, but not quite as original as ours. Maybe they were planned after ours.

Our Officers' Club here is quite nice and very cozy. We have our own bar at which you can buy shots for 2160, which is two shillings and six pence. A shilling is worth twelve cents and six pence is a dime. While the pound (£) is the basis of money, the shilling is what is used to measure it by instead of dollars and cents. Five dollars of American money is 1£, 81, and a ha' penny! It sounds difficult but it's not so bad once you get used to it."

Pfc. Olin Morris Writes his Parents from France.

"You know I can't say much about what I am doing here. Just read the papers as they give a good deal on it.

I haven't been paid for three months now, but that is ok, we don't need any money here.

Well, the war here don't look so bad. I have been in a few battles, and believe me when those 88's they have, start landing all around your hole you sure get some funny feelings. It is just something you can't tell anyone about . . . you have to be there to feel it. Every time they let up a little you dig that hole a little deeper. But it is river crossing that I hate worst, it is just like another invasion.

Do you have a garden this year? There is lots of them here, but it is hard to find ripe tomatoes. We get quite a few eggs from these people. I should be getting fat, I am getting plenty to eat here.

You would be surprised at how fast the people here will bring out their flags when we go in a town, and they soon take care of the ones that were friends with the Germans. They cut their hair off and shave their heads. We came in a small town at night and the people were running around looking at us and hollering "Americans"! The Germans had just left, so I guess they were in doubt!"

Ralph Ridenour at Bulkley Field.

"I received my first copy of Argus Eyes and it certainly was swell to read about and see some of the people with whom I used to work.

Way out west in Colorado is a pretty lonely place without contacts with home, except by mail, and I certainly encourage the home folks to write to their loved ones in service. I'm not speaking for myself because almost every day I get letters but it makes my heart go out to the fellows, especially the younger ones who miss the mail call. I haven't been in service very long but long enough to see what that mail call means.

Speaking for myself, I have received several letters from people at Argus and I believe that I have answered those letters. Any coming in the future I'll certainly try to answer promptly.

Hoping to receive a copy of Argus Eyes after they are published, I remain as always,"

Your Friend, Ralph Ridenour

In a letter from Sgt. Henry (Al) Stitt, somewhere in France, he states that he has been ill and in the hospital but expected to be back with his outfit in a short time.

We (of the Argus family) sincerely hope you are well and very fit by this time. Let us hear from you as often as you can find time from your duties. A picture of you and all of our boys and girls would be very much appreciated by the staff.

A V-mail letter from Sgt. Charles (Red) Poe, loaned to us by Harold Forbes, says that he's stationed in southern France.

(It seems as if several of our Argus boys are in the same area. Guess we here at home will have to brush up on our high school French, or they won't be able to understand us. Sounds like a nice place that you are now stationed. Maybe we could arrange to come over and visit you.)

Thanks for the nice things you said about Argus Eyes. Yours truly (the Circulation Manager) thanks you for your brother's address, and we will see his name is put on the mailing list at once.

A card from Pvt. Francis (Joe) Wright, gave us a new address. This time an A.P.O. c/o Postmaster. We wish you good luck and god-speed.

BOYD HEAD



Boyd has completed his training at Great Lakes and stopped off to see his friends at Argus while on his way to Virginia for additional training. While here, Boyd, stood still long enough to let Dick Bills take his picture, and he certainly looks mighty fit. He also took in the Michigan-Purdue game with Hank Millage and other friends.

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"MIKE"

Stu Gildart and Mike Allen had a grand time taking this picture for the Advertising Department, and Mike is a grandson of Mr. and Mrs. N. T. Brotherton. His parents are Lt. Arthur Allen of the U. S. Army Medical Corps and Mrs. Allen (nee Florence Brotherton). "Nice going, Mike" (Jimmy).

CAFETERIA ANNOUNCEMENT

When the present officers of the Recreation Club were elected it was decided that a questionnaire was the best method of finding out exactly what the members wanted.

Among other things, we received many comments concerning the cafeteria; they fell into three main groups:

1. Breakage and repair expense.
2. Prices of the food served.
3. Cleanliness.

This is a report of the action taken:

Several conferences were held with the management of Argus, the Club, and Mr. Thomas. As a result of these talks a definite procedure was established, which is explained here.

It was shown that, as it happens sometimes, there were "too many fingers in the pie". This meant no one knew just who was responsible, and so, very little was accomplished.

It was agreed that the responsibility for control of the cafeteria and its policies should be in the company and centralized in the Personnel Department.

Mr. Thomas' responsibility will be as great as ever; that of obtaining and preparing the food for Argus Employees.

The Argus Club will no longer be responsible for paying for any breakage, repairs to equipment or supplies. This will be a company expense. The Argus Club will continue to receive 7 percent of the gross sales monthly.

Each month the Personnel Department will receive a list of prices from the cafeteria, and make a comparison of prices in this area. These comparisons will be shown to the President or Cafeteria Committee of the Recreation Club.

The City Board of Health makes periodic surveys of our cafeteria. The Personnel Department will receive a copy of its recommendations.

Periodically the Personnel Department will compile these facts and present them in a report to management.

Any suggestions or comments regarding the cafeteria should be given to the Personnel Department, which will report on the action taken.

We believe that this procedure will help to provide a pleasant place to eat, with food at reasonable prices—and continue to provide a source of income for the Argus Recreation Club.

Edward Girvan,
President of Argus Recreation Club

SALVAGE DEPT. 27

We wish "Red" Conway success and loads of best wishes in his promotion.

Eric Soderholm is the new Salvage Foreman, and Herman Bauer is Supervisor . . . Hi Ya Supe!!

Lois Greer is the proud Aunt of twin baby girls . . . rather expensive, eh Lois?

Cider and Do-Nuts parties are lotsa fun and sure break the monotony of the day's work, but why does ONE have to be piggy like.

Freda Thompson's son is home on furlough from Camp Haan, California, and expects to go overseas some time soon.

Pat and Mike O'Hare (Ruth's sons) have received a Nazi helmet and belt, also some Belgian coins, from their uncle who is stationed somewhere in Belgium.

Helen Breining's son who is somewhere in England has recently been on furlough to Scotland. He says the country is beautiful, but wishes he was home. The letter was written on Scottish stationery . . . plain white paper with envelope of Scotch plaid design.

Edith Garlick is a gal that looks to the future . . . she has her Christmas shopping nearly completed.

Salvage Department missed out on the Free Show held in Argus School House. Lost . . . one black coin purse .

DEPARTMENT 30

We of the Machine Shop wish to welcome John Roskos, a new turret-lathe operator.

Well, it's venison on the table for Watson, Barhitte, Crawford, and Mac. (They hope). Mac and Foster Barhitte are going to try their luck north of Cadillac; Scottie Watson will try his luck around Mio; and Bob Crawford isn't suite sure where he will go. Well, good luck, boys!

We're not sure whether Bruce Goulder is going deer hunting or not. Lucy informs us that he hasn't asked her permission as yet.

It seems as though in addition to winning bonds, Henry N. Smith is a self-appointed safety man. It seems as though one of the girls forgot her hair guard. Mr. Smith walked up and asked her, "You don't want to look like me, do you?"

Jim Eubank says, "All the Republicans and Democrats will have to start smiling again now."

We are wondering what George Pickering did with all of the beer he won November 7th.

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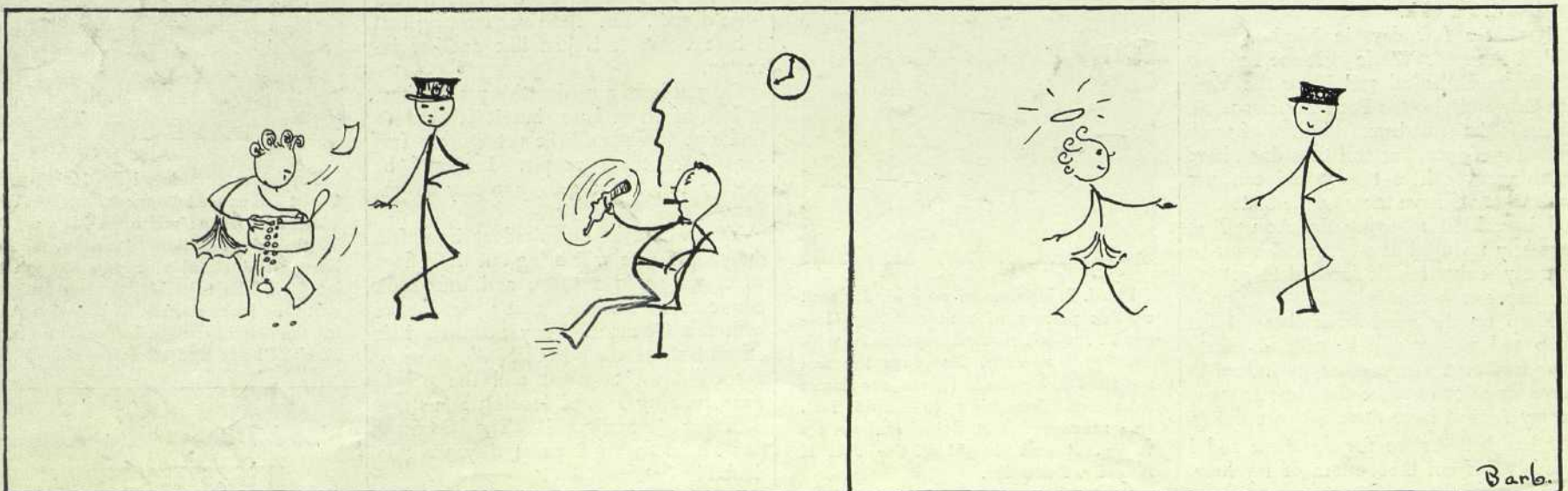
1. The acutely ill . . . suffering from influenza, pneumonia or other acute illness in which nursing care or treatments are necessary.
2. The convalescent patient who has returned from the hospital and needs dressings, treatments or nursing care during recovery.
3. The new mother who needs bedside care or wishes to have a demonstration of baby's bath or formula.
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