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A Dog-Gone Good Picture By Argoflex



In the current Argus advertisements these two puppies were models for the picture "It Shouldn't Happen To A Dog" . . . like all good models they worked (hand in hand) hard to make a good impression. So many inquiries came in for reprints that publication in Argus Eyes seems in order, not only to satisfy those who wanted a copy, but also to put in a plug for one of our own products. In spite of the extreme enlargement of the $2\frac{1}{4} \times 2\frac{1}{4}$ picture, plus the loss of about 30% in detail through the coarse screen of the engravers, the picture taken at 200th of a second at F 4.5 has lost little in

volume and detail and nothing in general appeal. Exact focusing and good composition, because you see the whole picture before you take it, enabled the photographer to give his whole attention to a difficult subject and select the best possible split second to press the shutter. (Editors note: To all dog lovers, aside from the intrinsic worth of the Argoflex picture, this seems also a sensible household hint to those who have recently acquired a new puppy)

ARGUS EYES

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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The Representatives of each Department are responsible that the news of these Departments reach the desk of the Editor in the Advertising Department, Plant 1.

The Switchboard Gals

The switchboard has a complete new staff: **Virginia Wilson**, formerly with the WASP is the new supervisor.

Louise Gerrard has returned after an absence of two and one-half years. We're glad to have you back Louise.

Last but not least is **Evelyn Loy**. Louise Gerrard's sister, who is the youngest member of the switchboard staff.

Norm Booth



Norm Booth, our new photographer, who formerly served with the Army Air Forces as head of a photographic section, hails from Detroit, Michigan. Norm, with his wife and two year old son, will make his home in Pittsfield Village.

SOCIAL SECURITY

One Social Security Card For A Lifetime

Have you got more than one social security card? And do you sometimes show one card to your employer and sometimes another? If you are doing that, you may take a loss when you file a claim for benefits. Or your family may take a loss when they file a claim.

Why? Because your social security card is the key to your insurance account with Uncle Sam. If you have more than one card, it means you have more than one account. It means that the wages reported by your employers are sometimes credited to one account and sometimes to another. And that may mean trouble when time to draw benefits comes around.

What's the meaning of a social security number anyway? It is something to identify your insurance account—something to keep your account from getting mixed with somebody else's of the same name. (If your name is Smith, Johnson, Jones, or Williams, there are tens of thousands you can get mixed up with.) And it's of the greatest importance to keep your account straight because the benefits you or your family will get depend on the wages recorded in your account.

So if you have more than one social security card, let the nearest Social Security Board office know about it. They will straighten out your account and tell you which number to use.

And now suppose you lose your card. What then?

The thing to do then is to apply at the nearest Social Security Board office for a duplicate card. Don't ask for a NEW card. Ask for a duplicate card with the SAME number on it. Then you can be sure that you will have just one account and that all your wages will be credited in the same place. Then when you or your family apply for benefits, there will be no trouble getting everything that's due.

So remember. One card, one number—FOR A LIFETIME.

The Social Security Board which serves Washtenaw County is located at 709 Reynolds Building, Jackson, Michigan. The telephone number is 255588.

'Thank You' Notes

You've all been wonderful
 to me,
 And I'm as pleased
 as punch
 So here's a thank you
 for each one,
 And that means all
 the bunch.
 —Bennie Kearney

The flowers you sent
 came
 just on time,
 I could look at them
 and
 they made me feel
 fine.
 These colors of fall,
 rust and yellow
 bright,
 On long stems waving,
 a beautiful
 sight.
 They did help me along
 on some lonesome
 day,
 "Thanks Argus Club",
 That's all I can say.
 —Anna Thorsch

A sincere
 Thank You
 for your
 thoughtfulness.
 —"Bo" Price

I enjoyed the flowers the Argus club sent me while I was ill. Thank you very much.

—Nina Waltherhouse

Personnel

Although this is rather late, it is our first opportunity to thank Argus, Incorporated for the beautiful turkeys. We are glad that the management chose this generous and practical way to wish us all a Merry Christmas, and we return a sincere vote of thanks.

Personnel headquarters are temporarily in the old storeroom on the second floor, with the employment office on the first floor, just off general accounting.

Mary Haight entertained us at dinner the week after New Year's. Mary is a wonderful cook, among other things, and the evening is one of our better memories.

Mrs. Radford attended the National Industrial Conference Board meetings in New York, which began on January 17.

Roy H.'s car was lawfully parked in front of his house one day last week, when a driver in a great hurry skinned off the left rear fender and slashed a tire to pieces. This is not only an inconvenience and an expense to Roy, but it curtails some of his Good Fellow activities.

Virginia Fox attended a convention in Detroit on January 22.

Letter From Serviceman

We received a letter from **Pfc. Linus Kneiper**, Camp Atterbury, Indiana, who says he has enjoyed Argus Eyes, and hopes to be home soon and back on the job. Linus worked in the Grinding Department before entering the service. Has been over-seas 18 months, serving in the Medic Division in England, Belgium, Germany and Southern France. We wish you lots of luck and hope to have you back soon.

ARGUS PROFILES

By H. J. R.



SMITH, Leona Velma

Agreeable, industrious machine operator, Plant I, where she has been energetically associated with miscellaneous jobs since October 1936 . . . particularly welding, at which she became quite efficient. Can currently be seen flitting in and out of the Milling Department where she is concentrating on exceeding any standards set by the time study men. Was born near Owosso, Michigan in 1916, went to Jackson High School, where she claims a certain amount of efficiency in mathematics. Became interested in nursing and worked in a doctor's office for a while until the more interesting position of housewife presented itself. Now lives at 717 Dwight Street, Ypsilanti and owns a bright, new house which has a fine basement, easily converted she says, into an impressive bar. Belongs to a local "Bunks" club which reaches the height of its activities in the summer months, when members wander from house to house. Belongs to the Ypsilanti Moose Club, bowls with an average of 120, and is becoming interested in golf, but admits that her game is still in the questionable stage.

Cost Accounting

Lady Luck has smiled on **Eunice and Grace**. Yep, those gloriously clad gams are theirs—they got NYLONS the other day! They have also deserted the ranks of the War Widows, their husbands are civilians again.

Gertie expects to take off on vacation any day now. That is, as soon as her husband, who at last word, was 'waiting at the dock' for transportation home from Japan, gets here. We hope it is soon.

We ought to have a skating party so we can all see **Marilyn** in her new skating togs. She has a zoomy jacket and that white sweater!! Glenn almost copped it.

Our Boss-man might be having casual callers if he doesn't tell us more about the doctor he has living with him.

Bob Ward's penny bank was getting kinda low so he thought he'd try to replenish it by having the guys in for a bit of poker. The outcome—we haven't found out yet.

From the desk of **Norm Tweed**: Gert (I wonder how long it takes) Sutton can't understand why anyone's hair turns gray. Who can enlighten her? Also the Cellar Rats have finally reached their destination. Now starts the hard row back up. How about some moral support from you gals in 69, 61, and 68? Mary Jane ask your husband for a night off.

General warning to the public—if you have occasion to use the Editor's dictionary, stand up straight. He is very handy with his ruler and does not resist Life's Little Temptations.

Experimental Optical

Howard McCombs sure has been missed around these parts, due to a bad case of the flu, although I hear Leurs has returned from overseas and that should be sufficient medicine for Howard. Hurry back Mac.

Tex has a lowdown feeling these days and tells me its due to no sailing his boat. Let's hope the sun shines in Tex.

Hotzel had a little flu epidemic too, but his smiling face is again beaming around old Experimental Optical. Glad to have you back Hotz.

Dick Guarino has been going around with an ear to ear grin since that hot 553 series last Friday night; games of 186-199-168. That's really blasting those maples Dick, keep it up.

Greg Letsis seems contented now that his sister Mary is home for a while on a furlough. Also the other sister Ann should be home soon, so what a reunion.

Service Dept.

Esther Richards is a new member of our office staff. Welcome to the Department Esther.

Our inspector, **Edward Sayre**, who was just discharged from the Army after 3 years service, 28 months of which was spent in India, is now back with us once again. We all heartily welcome him back to the department.

Returned Veterans



OLEN MORRIS
Tool Room



CLYDE MELTON
Machine Shop



DON STRITE
Machine Shop



JACK ROBERT DAVIS
Polishing Department



EDWARD SAYRE
Service Department

Advertising and Sales Depts.



THELMA (FABER) FULLER is another Returned Veteran. Welcome back Thelma.

The Sales Department seems to be spreading to every nook and corner of the building. This month we are welcoming **Mrs. Elizabeth (Toby) Kohler** to our department. Toby, whose home is in Ann Arbor, is just back from New York where she was on the staff of the "Woman's Home Companion" magazine. We're glad to have you with us and hope you enjoy your work at Argus.

Melba Bowden, who is leaving us this month, has hopes of going by way of Texas, en-route to Lt. Bowden's next station . . . that is, if the Navy permits. Sorry to have you leave us Melba, but know how anxious you are to get home to Lubbock, Texas.

Glad to see **Earlyne Krapf** is feeling much better, having recovered from her recent illness.

Lucy Gridley took in a recent swing concert at the Ann Arbor High School, featuring "Sugar Chile" Robinson, the seven year old piano genius, who will soon be featured in a Van Johnson picture.

From the looks of the new clothes **Kachula** and **Mary Luszka** have in sporting, the stores in Detroit must be getting in some new merchandise. Say, I'll have to look into that.

Thelma Fuller didn't realize, when helping **Jackie Schaffer** clean house last week, that it was in preparation for a surprise shower to be given for Thelma.

We're wondering how **Bud Davis** is enjoying his bachelor life??? His wife and little daughter have gone to Chicago for two weeks . . . I'll bet the dishes are really piling up in the sink.

Elma Lundahl recently gave a lecture on "Divine Discontent" at the Michigan League.

Did you see the beautiful bracelet **Carolyn Wilson** received from her husband, Ray? Ray is now stationed in India, and Carolyn hopes it's not too long before he will be coming home.

Claire and **Bob Royal** spend all their free time playing bridge . . . they should be getting pretty good at it.

When **Jackie Schaffer's** fiance called for her last week, he really got an eye-full when Jackie stepped out in her new fur coat . . . and a pair of nylons.

It's Harder To Park Now!



STEEL GIRDERS GOING UP, ANOTHER STEP IN THE GROWTH OF ARGUS

Receiving Inspect'n

Since the last report there has been little change in the Argus bowling league, and the Office team has been successful in holding onto first place. The Skunks, Methods, and inspection entries are following in that order with none able to cut the lead of the Office team. The leaders proved themselves to be of the stuff of which champions are made just a few weeks ago. The Skunks, who were only one game off the pace, had bowled on the first shift and had won all four of its games. The Office bowling at nine was definitely on the spot needing all four games to retain its rating. The Lens Polishers furnished the opposition for this test, and although they gave good accounts of themselves the Office team came out the winner in all four games and kept their spot at the top of the ratings.

The Cellar Rats are again proving to be quite a disappointment in the showing so far. This team boasts a fair average team, but does not seem to be able to get going. As in other years the team started out rather well, but has now fallen into its old habits of losing three and four games each night. As a result they have now displaced the Machine 3 team at the bottom of the league's standings. The Machine shop team has shown steady improvement since the acquisition of Norm Egeler to its team. At the present time this five have been plenty tough for all the teams and is no longer considered an easy tough.

Basketball

In local basketball circles the Argus entry in the Industrial League is rapidly proving itself one of the better teams

in Ann Arbor. In the past years this league has been dominated by the teams representing Argus and King-Seeley. This year is following along that same pattern and in the play so far these two are again showing the way. At the present time the King-Seeley is leading the league with a perfect record not having yet tasted defeat. Argus, however, is only one game away from the leaders and have only 32-26 defeat from the leaders to mar their record. When these two teams met for the first time each was carrying an unblemished record into the game, but the odds were all in favor of the veteran King-Seeley quintet. The fighting Argus team, however, carried the game to their opponents and played them on even terms and with a minute to go before the half were sporting a one point lead. At this point, **Pete Murphy**, former St. Thomas star and now mainstay of the King-Seeley five, pumped in two quick field goals to give his team a three point lead at the half-time intermission. The second half continued to be a ding dong battle with Argus continually pressing the league leaders. The King-Seeley team with more reserve power held on, however, and the final whistle found them with a hard earned 32-26 win. The Argus team will have an opportunity in the second half of the schedule to square matters with their respected opponents, but the squad members feel confident that they will be able to turn the tables in their second encounter. The team will be strengthened for the last half of the season so there is every reason to believe that this will be accomplished. **Sam Neustadt**, who was a member of the Argus teams that were consistently winning the title, has returned to Argus and having played while in service should rapidly round into shape.

Another veteran who will be returning to give the Argus squad additional strength is the fiery and capable **Jimmy Neumaier**. All of us at Argus will remember the sensational play of Jimmy in helping Argus to win Industrial League titles and who gave such an outstanding performance when the Argus team won the city championship.

The members of the team who are giving such a good account of themselves and are deserving of the support of the employees of Argus are: **Vic Tasker, Johnny Paup, Joe Dianetti, Elmer Pfister, Red Weid, Donald Crump, Bud Roberts, and Dick Fredrickson**. The coaching duties are being capably handled by **Tommy Neff**, one of Ann Arbor High's former greats.

Tool Design and Processing

"**Bo**" **Price** is now in University Hospital to undergo an operation. He is in Room 5327 and would appreciate lots and lots of visitors. He is in a private room, so you may drop in any time between 9:00 A.M. and 9:00 P.M.

Art Parker went to Pennsylvania for a second honeymoon over the Christmas holidays. Why was "Red" Weid along? Chaperone?

Leonard Thomas has an order in for a new car, but won't promise any rides upon its arrival. 'Guess we'll have to buy one ourselves to see how they ride.

There are three new men in the department, whom we do not believe you have met: **Les Carlson** is the new C.T.D. with **Francis Albin** and **Gardner Parsons** also in Tool Design.

Why doesn't **Bill Bone** ever do anything to write about?

—Hiffy the Dope

Baby Van



Six months old **Chris** is the son of Mr. and Mrs. **Jan Vanden Broek Van**, who works in the Engineering Department, is an active member of both the Camera and the Flying Club.

Ladies' Bowling News

PLANT ONE

Victory, Cupid Bar and Schwaben Inn are one game apart for top three positions. It looks like a good race from now on. **Hollis** and **Towner** lost their footing a little but they hope to make a come-back, they say.

All the other teams are very close together too. There should be a lot of changes in the team standings by next Argus Eyes time.

Here are some nice series the girls have bowled: **Laura Snearly**—179-175-151 for 505; **Laura Egeler**—161-179-161 for 500; **Thelma Livesay**—165-175-169 for 509; **Jessie Hack**—161-170-166 for 497; **Clara Schallhorn**—185-151-161 for 497; **Joy Hartman**—142-147-197 for 486; **Clem Donner**—167-201-117 for 485; **Florence Doman**—158-188-136 for 482; **Irene McCowan**—127-163-189 for 479; **Mary Briggs**—152-156-164 for 472; **Rhea McLaughlin**—163-134-177 for 474; **Sally Stone**—146-161-153 for 460; **Julia Apple**—141-175-145 for 461; **Grace Henz**—124-156-159 for 439; **Ruth Howe**—115-169-134 for 418; **Marjorie Young**—155-115-141 for 411; **Leona Breisch**—138-134-138 for 410.

Considering the averages of these girls the series is very good.

The following letter was received by **Thelma Livesay**, Secretary of the Ladies Bowling League, Plant One, from **Dorothy Ketcham**, Director of the Social Service Department, University Hospital:

My dear Miss Livesay:
May we express to you our very great appreciation of your interest and generosity for the Christmas patients at the hospital?

Our plans followed that of previous years with fun and gifts, preparation, singing, movies and Santa. Everyone had some participation and the big pine tree on Observatory Hall was lighted once more.

It is very gratifying to face the challenge of the new year knowing the very real services made possible through your confidence and assistance. May we extend the season's greetings?



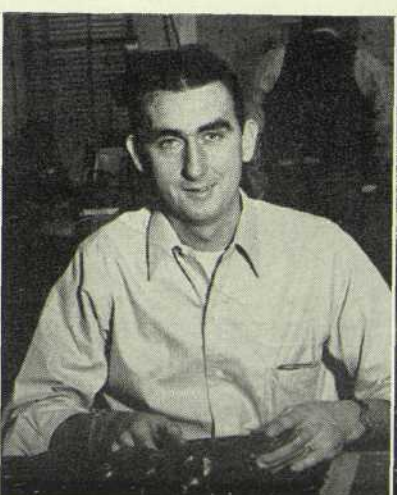
Returned Veterans



FREDERIC LEEMAN
Standards Department



HAROLD HOPPER
Planning Department



MAX HAMMOND
Camera Assembly Department



LESTER BAILEY
Machine Shop



GEORGE KENNEDY
Polishing Department

BOND WINNERS ON VICTORY LOAN DRIVE



LESTER MICHAEL
Service Department



ALBERT HUSTED
Machine Shop



EDWARD WATSON
Lens Blocking Dept.



DORIS STRITE
Sales Department



HARRY KAUFMAN
Mechanical Maintenance

Receiv'g Inspection

With all the confusion of dust and dirt while the shop is being remodeled we still manage to go along as usual.

We are happy to have all our girls back after their long illnesses.

Bennie Kearney dropped in to see us one day. She is enjoying herself very much at home and she looks it.

Amanda Alber's son is home on leave from the Navy after many months in the Pacific area. He will be discharged in February.

Helen Clough has joined the department. She has met many old friends here at Argus that she knew when she worked here before. Hope you like it here, Helen.

Tony Rupas has also joined us. He served many months in Europe with the Army. Tony tells us some very interesting stories.

The "Four Musketeers", **Leola Stoner, Mary Beth Briggs, Doris Layer and Aggie Thurston** had Italian Spaghetti dinner at Doris's apartment one night. We hear Doris serves nails with her meat sauce.



Matta Cowen, of the Camera Line, and her son **Charles**, who recently joined the Army and is now stationed at Camp Robinson, Illinois.

Optical Assembly

We are glad to welcome into the department five former Optical gals: A sincere welcome to **Helen Allen, Maxine Wichman, Mary Green, Shirley Montgomery, and Dorothy Morrison.**

Elsie Paradise's son arrived home from the service the other night—no wonder that smile these days!

There haven't been any birthdays lately, so we've missed the modelling. Maybe **Eva** will oblige again—without another present.

Charlie Van Aken left the department recently and we all miss him. Charlie is going to go to college down in Dallas, Texas. We hope he'll like it.

Eddie's secretary, **Virginia Busch**, is right on the beam these days answering the phone. It doesn't even have a chance to ring twice.

We are sorry to hear that **Alice Weir's** little grandson has been seriously ill. Hope he is better now.

We hope **Gertie Haines** will be very happy with her husband back from overseas. Hurry back, Gert—we miss you.

Looks like California air and men aren't as good as Michigan can offer. Some always come back to the old hunting grounds.

It sure was nice to see **Ann Letsis** back visiting the plant. She looks swell and says the Wacs are a grand bunch of girls.

Poor **Rosie!** She'd like to know who could lend her a slightly used jeep, because she won't be able to get her new car until about '48. We surely couldn't let her walk from Pinckney every day.

My, how **Helen Fraser's** eyes shine these days! She seems to be getting out more evenings and seein' the bright lights. Must be Spring is in the air (and also in her heart) at this time—brrr.

Just mention "spinach" and things really buzz for **Jennie Lasky.**

Alma had quite a time explaining that "shiner" she's had for several days. Are you sure it was a fall, **Alma?**

Guess **Rosie and Wilma Kennedy** will have to put signs on their backs so those men in uniform won't get confused again.

Grinding and Polishing Depts.

Spitz, who was recently discharged from the Navy is back with us once again on his Grinding job. We're glad to have you back with us "Blondie".

Bill Walker, a former polisher visited us the other day. He was also discharged from the Navy and plans to resume his college career.

The last two girls have left the polish-room, namely **Jennie and Russel.** Poor fellows, who will they have to whistle at now?

They tell us **Pepper** is really trying to make a success of his Bowling and Grinding. Quite a task we'd say.

The department was so very quiet for about a week; reason, **Lucille M.** was absent. Think I'll find some corner to hide in when she hears this.

Now **MA Green** will really have something to talk about when she gets back to work, "Her Operation". However, we miss you Ma and are happy to hear you are recovering so nicely.

The latest to fall for brass buttons is none other than **Kay.** What we'd like to know is the Lt.'s last name. We think you make a striking couple and like that gleam in your eyes these days, Kay.

Tool Room



This is proof of the domestic training **Carl Bates** receives at home. He can ably handle any domestic task even

VICTORY LOAN DRIVE
Quota: \$26,000.00 Total Sales: \$18,750.00

Very special tribute and thanks go to all employees of the company for the wonderful results of the Victory Bond Drive. Only the complete cooperation of everyone with the Captains and Sub-Captains, who worked untiringly to achieve the quota, could have obtained such gratifying results.

in a hunting camp. By the way, **Carl** was the only successful hunter in the party.

We wish to take this opportunity to welcome the following returned servicemen: **Olen Morris, John Carver and Charles Ceronsky.** Also **Harry Bates**, who recently started working in this department. Harry worked in lens grinding in the summer of 1941.

Chris Korte has given up his duties of Constable of Dexter and moved to the home he recently purchased on Pontiac road.

Loren Bement and Bill Fraser also moved to new homes recently.

Harold Sweet has not had very good luck yet ice fishing, but Harold will get his share yet, before the season is over.

Ocar Clymer reports his son to be in Shanghai at the present time.

The Independent bowling team composed of members of the toolroom and maintenance had a hot streak and won 13 out of a possible 16 points but cooled off last week when they met the hot American Anti Accessories Team and dropped 4 points.

Captain Hubert Krasney is going to give the boys a pep talk.

John Snuverink has gone into the butter business. He recently posted a sign on the bulletin board, "Home Churned Butter" for sale, and was immediately swamped with orders from the women of optical assembly.

Joe Majewski was not using the right language while talking to the galloping dominoes at the recent bowling party. Instead of going home with a pocketful of dough, Joe went home doughless.

Pvt. Ann Letsis



Pvt. Ann Letsis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. **Harry Letsis**, enlisted in the Wacs on the 15th of August 1945, and is now stationed at the Borden General Hospital, where she works in the Personnel Department. Ann worked for Argus in the Raw Inspection Department and also in Optical Assembly. A sister **Mary**, also a Wac, is in the Air Corp Division and is stationed at Spokane, Washington.

CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR ANNIVERSARY AT ARGUS



CARLO ROSASCO
Ten years of service is the record Carlo holds with Argus.



EUGEN SCHUMANN
Planning Dept.
Five years of service.



GERALDINE BROWN
General Accounting Dept.
Five years of service.



SARAH HAMLETT
Lens Cementing and Cleaning Dept.
Five years of service.



CHARLES G. KLINE
General Accounting Dept.
Five years of service.