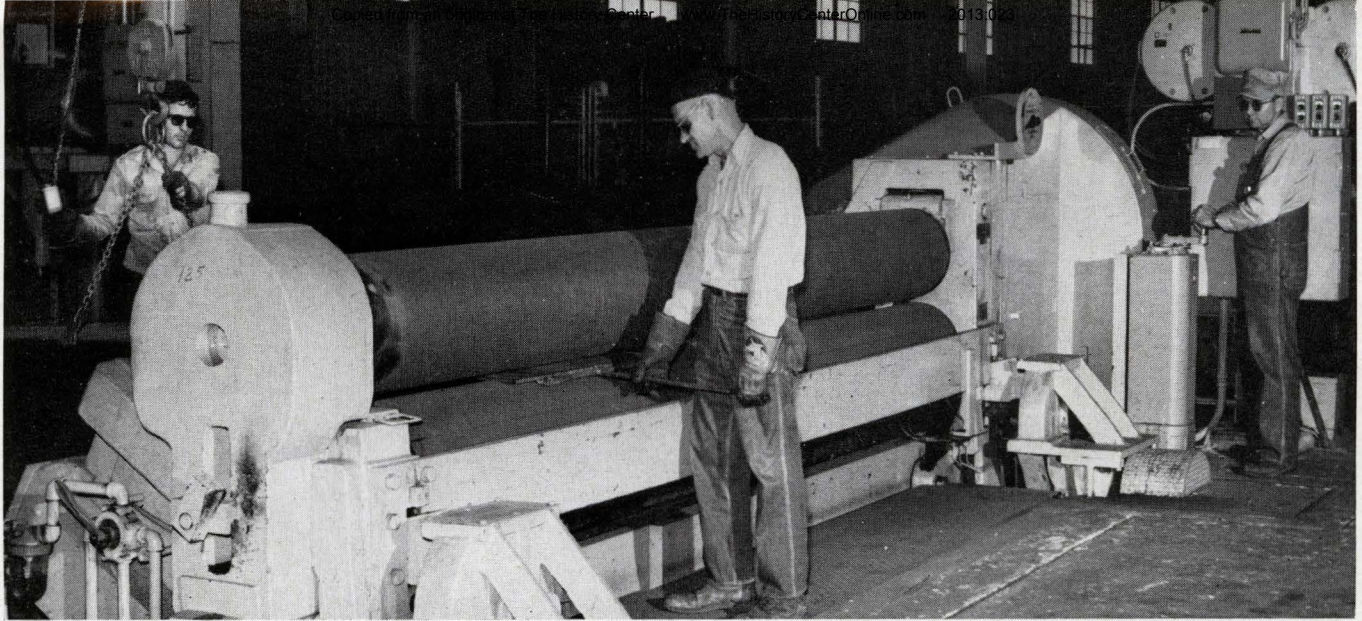


The Foundry Roundup

MAY, 1958





THE first big investment made, after the decision was approved to go into the business of making our own air tanks, was for a heavy-duty bending roll machine which made cylinders from flat plates.

Shown here in the center feeding the rolls is **BARNER DAVIS**. At the controls on the far right is **R. O. KENDRICK**. Operating the jib crane behind the roller is **A. L. DONNELL**.

NEW PRODUCT *provides* *more Job Opportunities...*

BACK in January, 1957, Lufkin Foundry and Machine Company began investigating the possibility of fabricating the air tanks used on our Air Balance Pumping Units. At that time, these tanks were being made by an outside firm, and many times deliveries to our customers were delayed because we could not get the proper size tank on short notice.

We had the additional problem of having to machine the walking beam connection and lower cylinder connection in our shop, and then ship them to Houston where the tank supplier welded the pieces to the rolled tank. Then the unit was shipped back to us. This extra hauling amounted to considerable expense.

This problem existed and our various departments went to work to solve it.

The Industrial Engineering Department in cooperation with the Main Engineering department and shop personnel determined that the equipment necessary to do the job would cost about \$38,000. This was a fairly large investment, but it was estimated that the equipment would pay itself out in three years, if not sooner. Not only

would the equipment pay its own way but also it would increase the potential of the plant to do other tank jobs for more companies.

The decision was made by Management to invest the money. Various makes of heavy-duty bending rolls and welding equipment were studied. The equipment with the best dollar value was selected and the purchase orders written in April, 1957.

Employees began constructing the roll foundation and structural frame work for the automatic welding equipment, and to set up fixtures. An outdoor tank testing set-up had to be built, including a concrete slab and jib crane for handling the tanks during the test procedure. Thus, men were working; the Company was plowing profits back into the business, and the facilities for future work were becoming bigger and better.

At last, the first tanks were made and tested. It was a big moment for employees in these departments. An insurance company inspector found the tanks satisfactory. In fact, the workmanship was superior to the tanks formerly bought outside. Our tanks were not spliced as the former ones

were. The main tank structure was from one single piece of high grade steel plate.

After the original installation was operating, the search began for better and more economical ways to build tanks. At first, it was necessary for a man to crawl inside the tanks and weld a stringer and a filler bead on the inside of each seam. The smoke and heat were almost unbearable inside the tank. Manpower and materials were being wasted.

The solution came when "back-up" strips were developed to go inside the tank along the inside of each seam. These strips were thin ribbons of steel tack welded to the head and bottom piece of the tank before assembly in a set-up jig.

But the long seam along the tank still remained unaccounted for. So, a system was devised whereby blocks of wood were used to hold the strip in place along the seam while it was tacked in place from the outside. The assembly then simply could be finish-welded on an automatic welding machine.

By adding only eight pounds of steel to the back-up strips, there was a

saving of 77 welding rods and many, many manhours of unpleasant physical work. This, in turn, meant a higher quality and more economical tank, which assured better performance and more sales. The result of all this brain work and hand work could be checked by actual dollars and cents savings as well as improving working conditions.

The search for simple and economical ways and means did not stop at the Structural Shop, however. The Air Balance Assembly department continued making cost-cutting improvements. The work in this department had begun earlier where the running-in of the complete air tank assembly was accomplished.

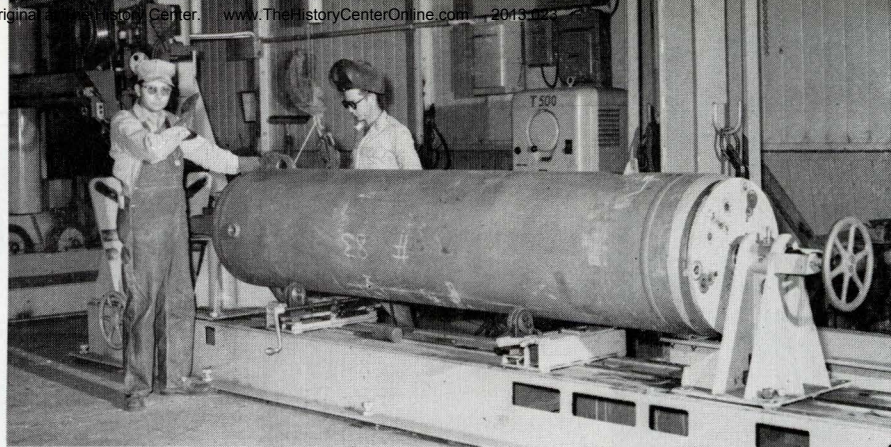
The old method of tank and cylinder break-in required that on every order the complete assembly of one structure of each size had to be set up for testing the air tanks. This was followed by the disassembly of the structure for shipment. This assembly and disassembly consumed some 20 manhours of labor for each order, and of course, this had to be added to the cost of the units.

From structural members which had become obsolete, a permanent test set-up was developed. Instead of just testing one unit, facilities were made to test three units simultaneously. By making use of old material, a substantial saving was made, giving our Company a little more price ammunition to fight competition.

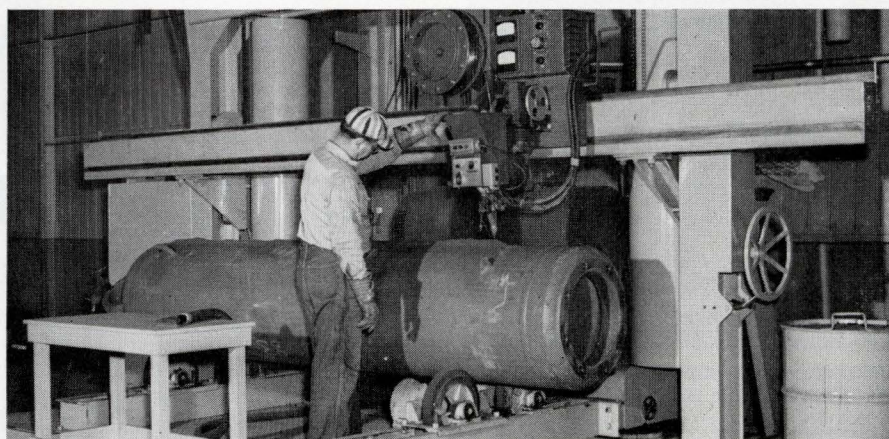
The Air Balance Assembly department took on the work of cleaning the inside of the fabricated steel tanks which often became rusty and dirty while in storage. This dirt and rust scale had to be removed to insure proper operation of the air compressing mechanism which was placed inside the steel tank.

Formerly, one and one-half gallons of cleaning solution were required for this operation. And a special machine had been built to rotate the tank under the supervision of one man for this cleaning operation. Following the cleaning, a difficult painting operation was done on the inside of the tank.

The Air Balance department, in co-operation with the Structural Shop, worked out a procedure for shot blast cleaning the inside of the tank at the same time the outside was cleaned for painting at the Structural Shop. This operation now is performed before the end castings are welded on the steel cylinder, thus making the operation much more easily accomplished and completely eliminating the cleaning solution operation. A simple extension



THIS is the set-up fixture for preparing a tank for the automatic welding machine. This set-up fixture was designed by the Main Engineering department and made by the jig department. Standing in front of the tank is R. O. KENDRICK; behind it is A. L. DONNELL.



H. L. WESTBROOK, Structural Shop employee, operates the automatic welding machine which welds the circumferential and longitudinal seams. All rigging shown in this picture except the welding head was fabricated in our shops.

was devised for the paint gun to reach up into the cylinder thus simplifying the operation still further.

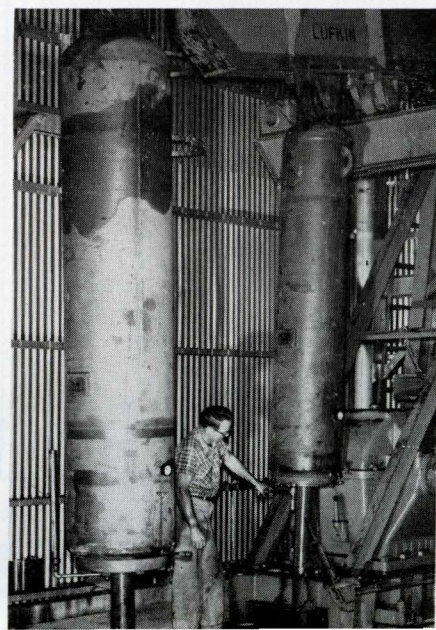
These are only a few of the work-simplification ideas developed on this one piece of equipment manufactured at our plant. We now make many of these tanks at well over \$100 cheaper than buying them from an outside supplier, but even as important, is the fact that new jobs were created and a new product made right here in our shop was added to our line of high quality products.

With employees continually seeking improved methods of doing their jobs teamed with Management's investment in modern and efficient machine tools, Lufkin Foundry should be high on the list of firms getting the available business in these times of recession.

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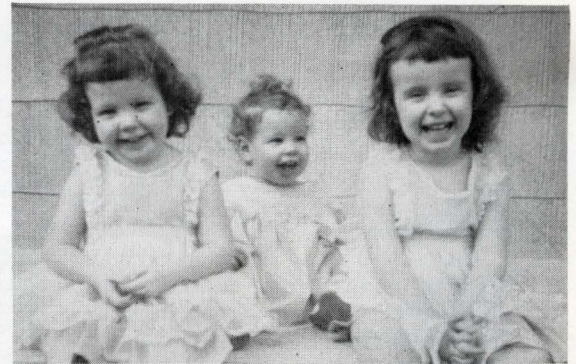
Your comments concerning job improvements, cost reduction, or work simplification are invited. Address them to The Editor and they will be forwarded to the proper place.

A LUFKIN Air Balance air tank is being tested by CHARLIE BECK, Air Balance Assembly department employee, on a testing rig that is now capable of testing three tanks at one time. Formerly, only one could be tested, then dismantled and shipped to customer. Now the testing is done without dismantling.

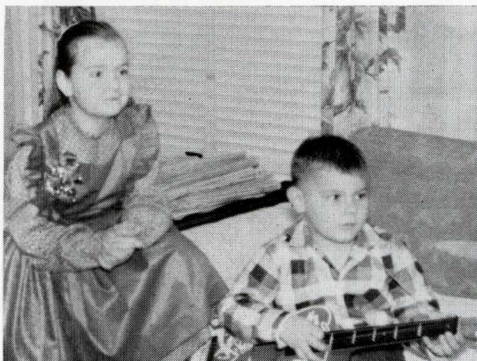




Left: JAMES WOOD, 11, and his dog Candy are planning a big summer together. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Julius McMullen, and his Mother works in the Accounting department



Right: THESE three little dolls are, left to right, SUZANNE, 2; KATHY, 1; JOELYN, 3. They are the daughters of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Weeks. Roland is a Machine Shop employee.



GRACE ANN, 8, and JEFF WALTON, 6, complete the Nolan Wilson family.

BILL OF RIGHTS FOR BOYS

By the Hon. Herbert Hoover

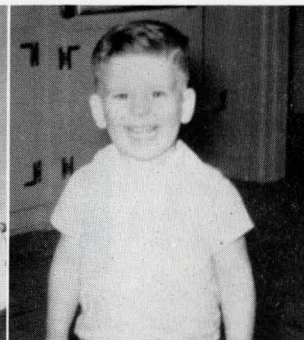
1. Like everybody else, a boy has a right to the pursuit of happiness.
2. He has a right to play so that he may stretch the imagination and prove his prowess and skill.
3. He has a right to the constructive joys of adventure, and the thrill that are the part of an open life.
4. He has a right to affection and friendship.
5. He has a right to the sense of security in belonging to some group.
6. He has a right to health protections that will make him an inch taller than his dad.
7. He has a right to the education and training that will amplify his own natural bents.
8. He has a right to accept the obligations of his citizenship in a democracy—perhaps the greatest right a boy or anyone else, can have.

We add to these: He has a right to religious training, to a knowledge of spiritual values that will be a guide to his life and to a better world for him to live in.

This is also a Bill of Rights for Girls.



DAVID LEE ETHEREDGE, 2½, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Etheredge. Bob is a salesman for the Mill Supplies division.



DONALD DAVID HEARNE, JR., 2, is the son of the Don Hearne's and the older brother of twin sisters.



JOHN NOLAN WILSON is 2 years old and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Wilson. Nolan is employed in the Accounting Department.



KATHY ELISE & KAREN ELIZABETH are one-year-old twin daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Don Hearne. Their daddy works in the Purchasing Department.

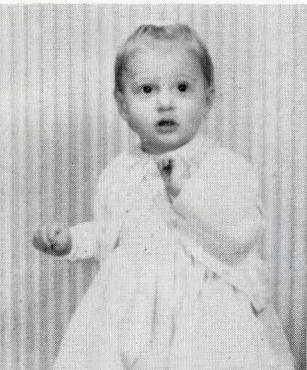
Left: GAYLE, 10, and PERRY, 2, are the children of Mr. and Mrs. Craft Fenley. Their father works in the Foundry Department.

MRS. R. B. ALLRED and three fine youngsters, SHERRY, 6, BRUCE, 3, and RUBIN, 10 months, were snapped in their home. R. B. is a 7-year-employee in the Machine Shop.



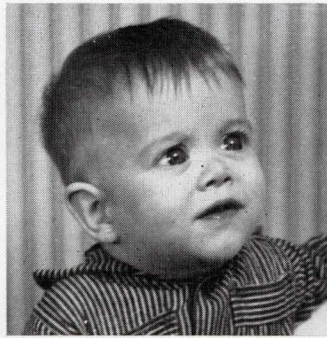
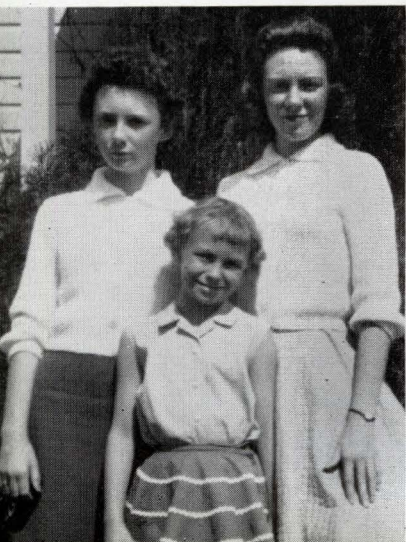


MICHAEL WALLACE, 10, is a member of the Foundry's Cub Scout Pack. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Woodie Wallace, and his Dad works in the Foundry Department.

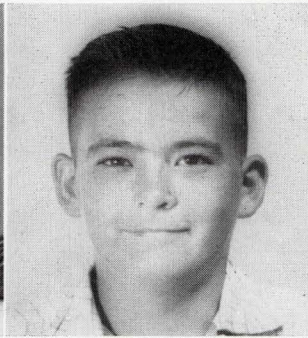


LISA GAYLE, who is 15 months old, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Denzil Harris. Denzil works in the Machine Shop.

THESE are the children of Mr. and Mrs. Olen E. Ray. Left to right: **SHIRLEY, 13; JUDY, 9; and MARY JEAN, 15.** Their father is employed in the Trailer Division.



THIS 9-month-old lad is **STEPHEN CHARLES**, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ray Stewart. His dad works in the Mill Supplies division



CLIFFORD GENE (LEFTY) WILSON is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Wilson. C. J. is a set-up man on the second shift in the Machine Shop.

WHEN A FATHER PRAYS —Anon.

BUILD me a son, Oh Lord, who will be strong enough to know when he is weak and brave enough to face himself when he is afraid. One who will be proud and unbending in defeat, but humble and gentle in victory.

A son whose wishbone will not be where his backbone should be; a son who will know that to know himself is the foundation stone of all true knowledge.

Rear him, I pray, not in the path of ease and comfort, but under the stress and spur of difficulties and challenges. Here let him learn to stand up in the storm; here let him learn compassion for those who fall.

Build me a son whose heart will be clean, whose goal will be high. A son who will master himself, before he seeks to master other men. One who will learn to laugh, but never forget how to weep. One who will reach far into the future, yet never forget the past.

And after all these are his, add, I pray, enough of a sense of humor so that he may always be serious yet never take himself too seriously; a touch of humility so that he may always remember the simplicity of true greatness; the open mind of true wisdom; the meekness of true strength.

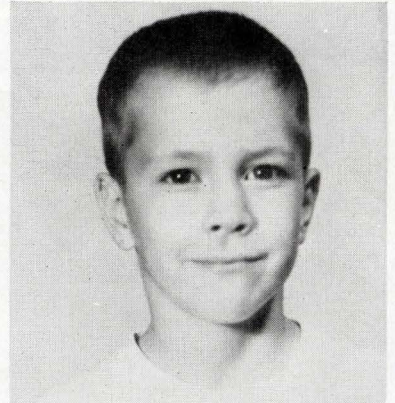
Then I, his father, will dare in the sacred recesses of my own heart to whisper: "I have not lived in vain."



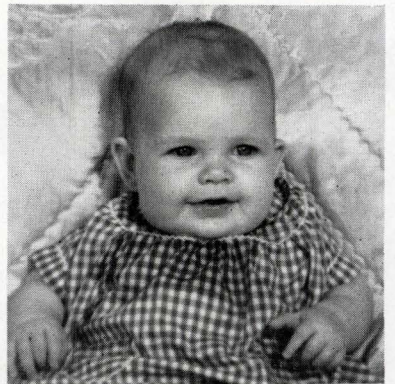
PAUL and PATE, 12-year-old twins, are members of Boy Scout Troop 149. Now that school is out, they'll spend their time fishing and playing baseball. They are sons of Mr. and Mrs. Jim E. Fenley



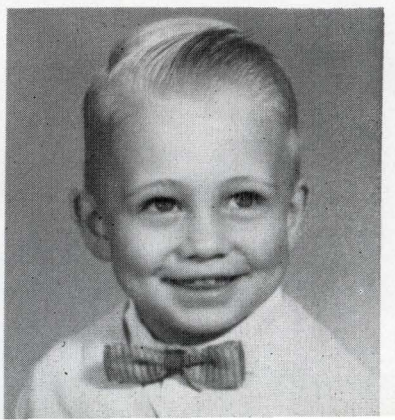
ANN FENLEY, a May graduate of Central Independent school, will enter Methodist School of Nursing in Houston this September. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim E. Fenley. Jim is employed in the Machine Shop.



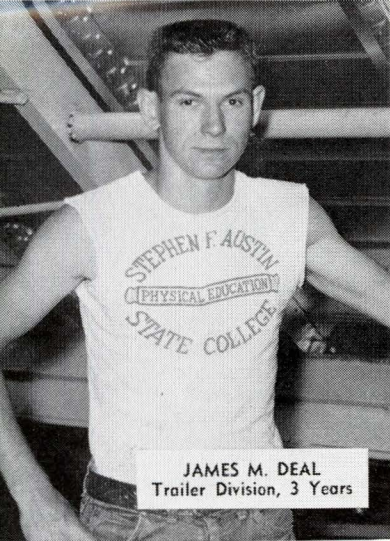
GEORGE WILLIAM (BUBBA) FREEMAN is the 6-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. George Freeman. His Dad works in Charlie Douglass's department. Bubba just completed his first year of school.



THIS happy youngster is **MEREDITH CHARLENE AVERY**, who will be nine months old in June. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard H. Avery, and her daddy is a machine operator on the second shift.



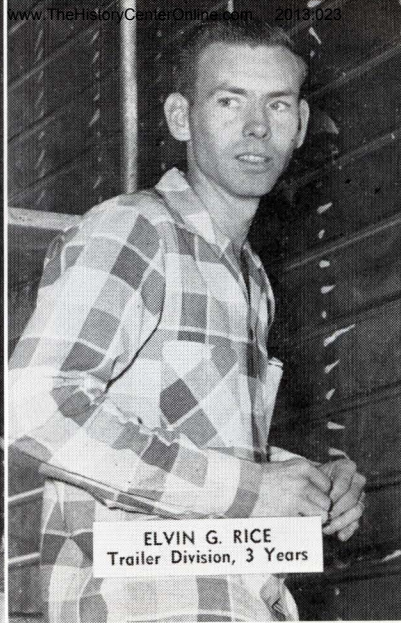
BARLEY LENDERMAN, 3, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Lenderman. Ray works in the Trailer Division.



JAMES M. DEAL
Trailer Division, 3 Years



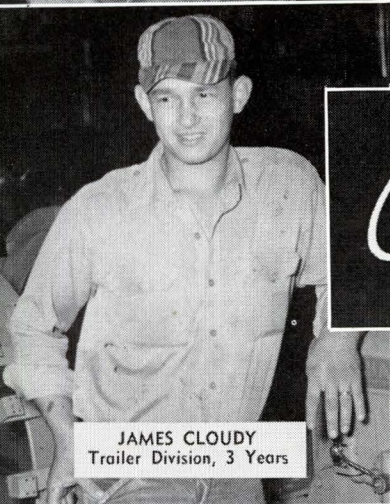
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Welding & Structural, 7 Years



ELVIN G. RICE
Trailer Division, 3 Years

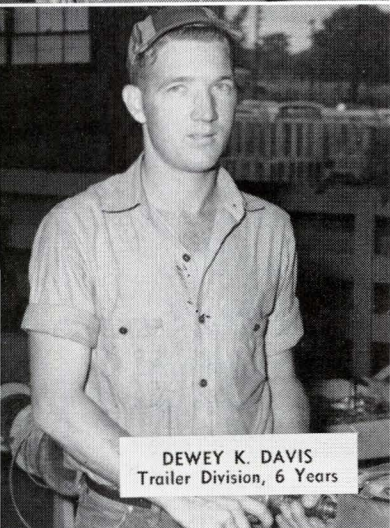


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Security Guard, 7 Years

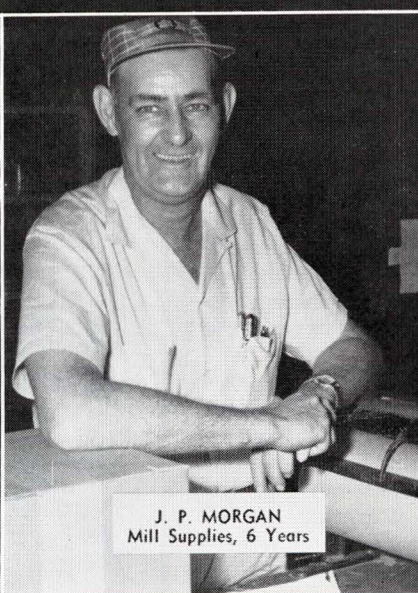


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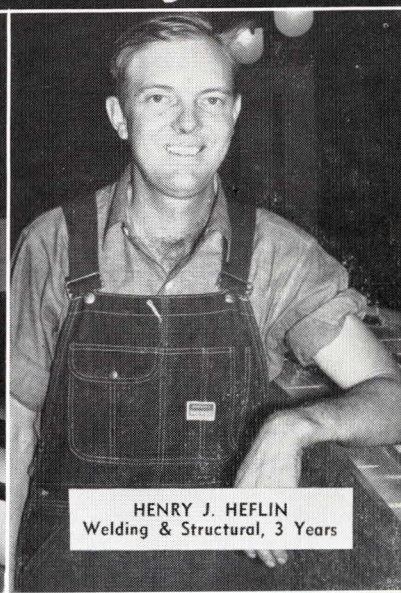
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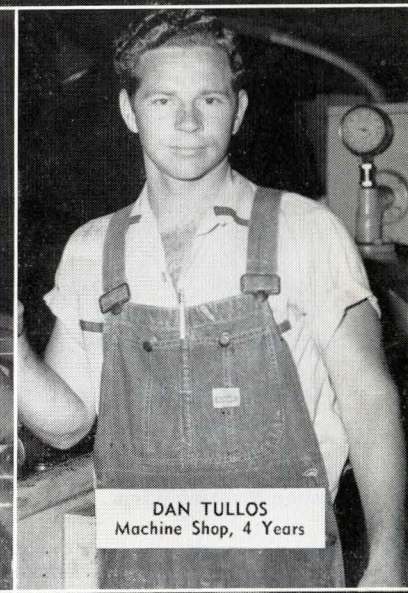
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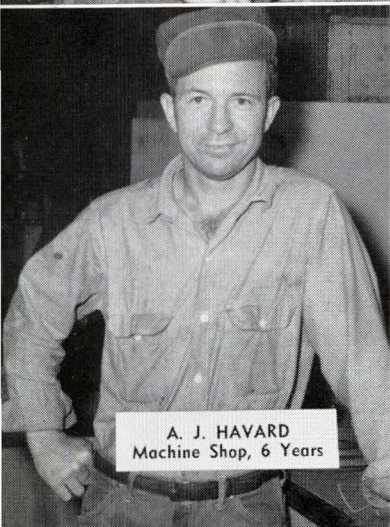
J. P. MORGAN
Mill Supplies, 6 Years



HENRY J. HEFLIN
Welding & Structural, 3 Years



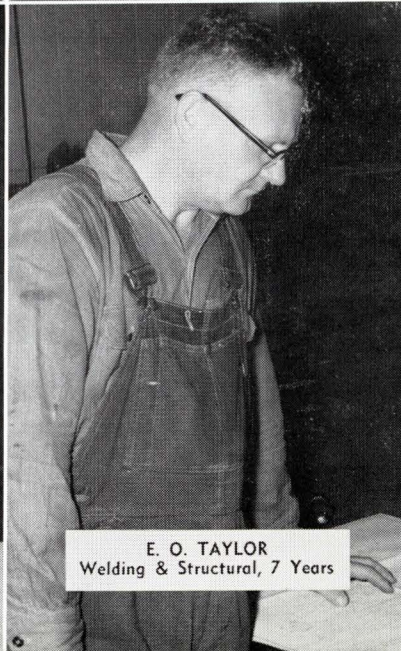
DAN TULLOS
Machine Shop, 4 Years



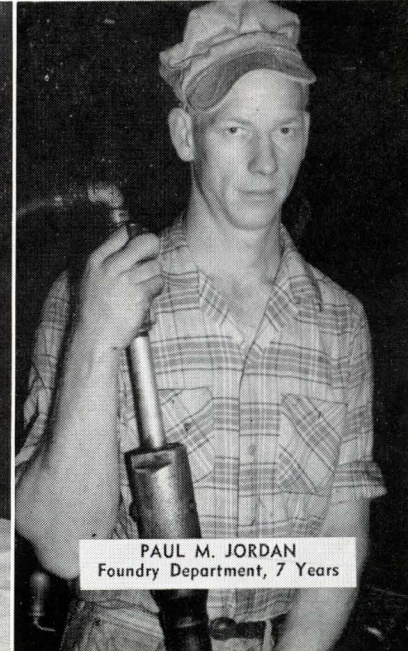
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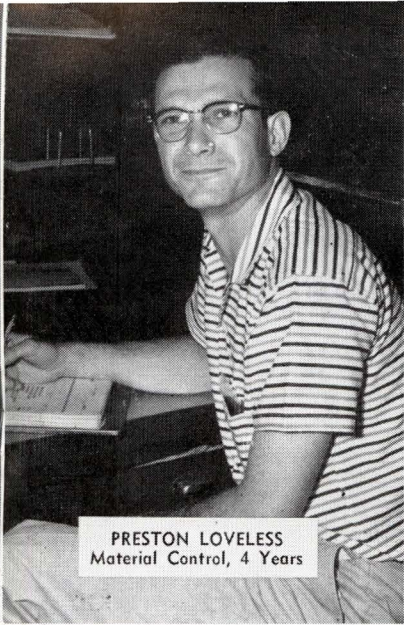
JAMES DUIRDEN
Foundry Department, 3 Years



E. O. TAYLOR
Welding & Structural, 7 Years



PAUL M. JORDAN
Foundry Department, 7 Years



PRESTON LOVELESS
Material Control, 4 Years



MANUEL E. MARTIN
Trailer Division, 7 Years



ELRIGE COLE
Foundry Department, 7 Years

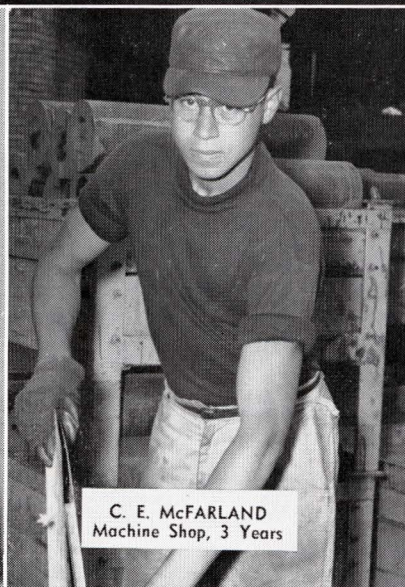


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Machine Shop, 3 Years

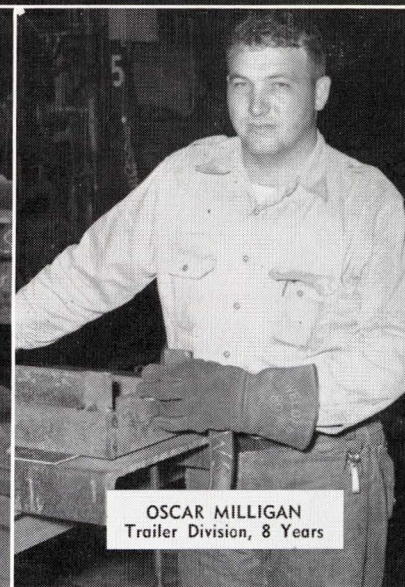
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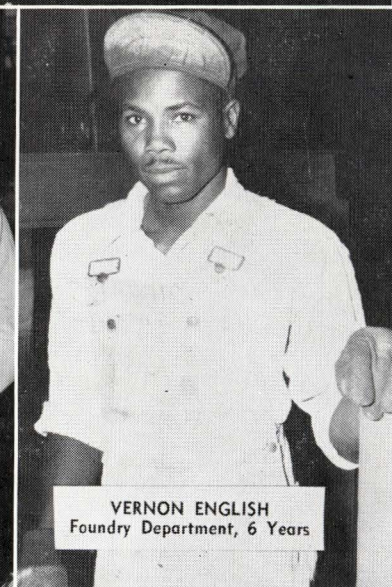
BETTY ALEXANDER
Switchboard Operator, 4 Years



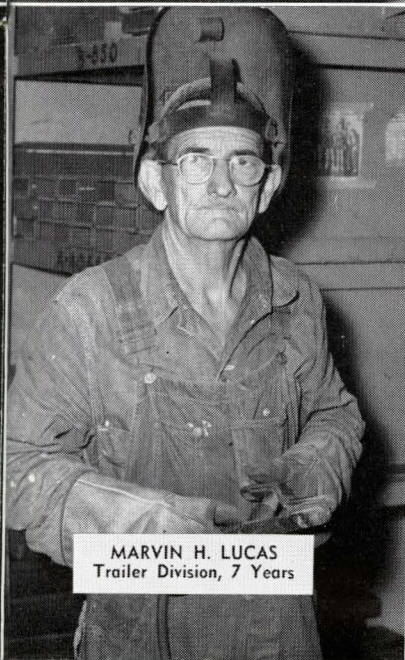
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Machine Shop, 3 Years



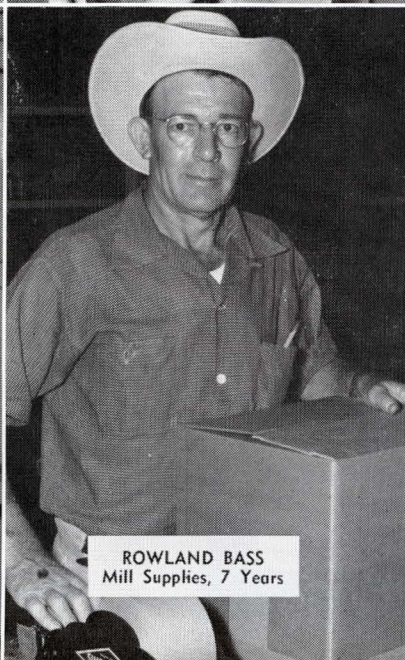
OSCAR MILLIGAN
Trailer Division, 8 Years



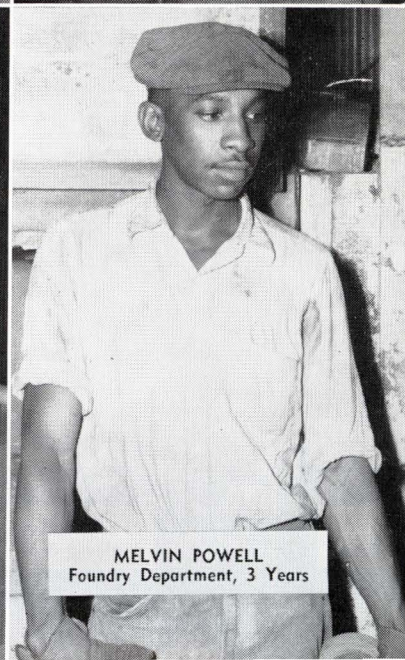
VERNON ENGLISH
Foundry Department, 6 Years



MARVIN H. LUCAS
Trailer Division, 7 Years



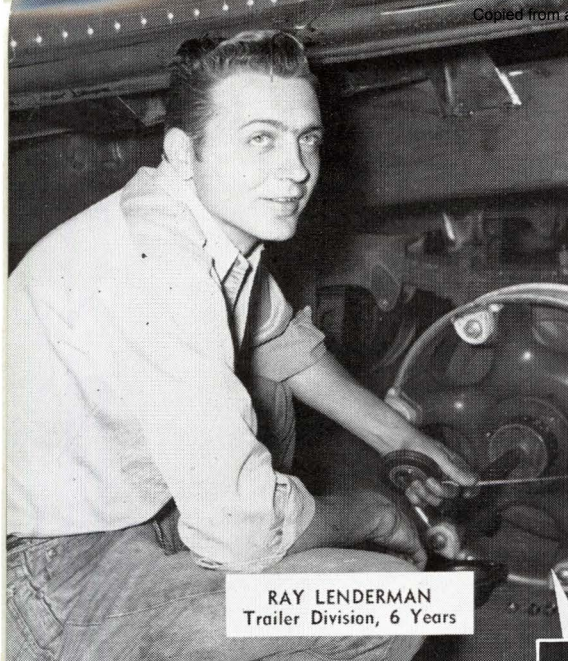
ROWLAND BASS
Mill Supplies, 7 Years



MELVIN POWELL
Foundry Department, 3 Years



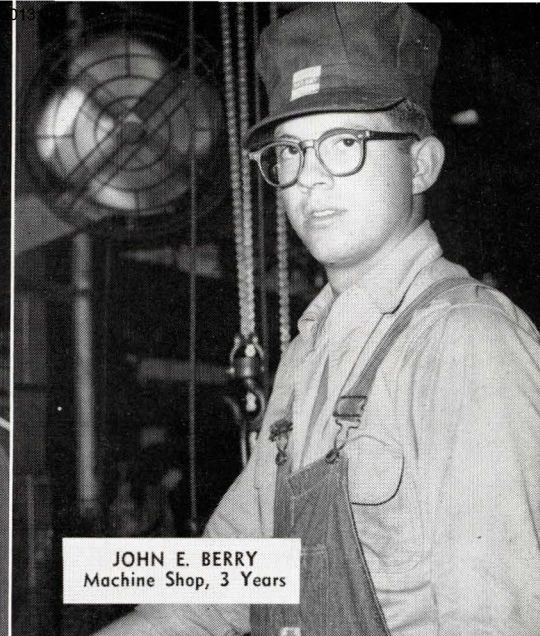
BEN HOOKER
Photo & X-Ray Lab, 5 Years



RAY LENDERMAN
Trailer Division, 6 Years

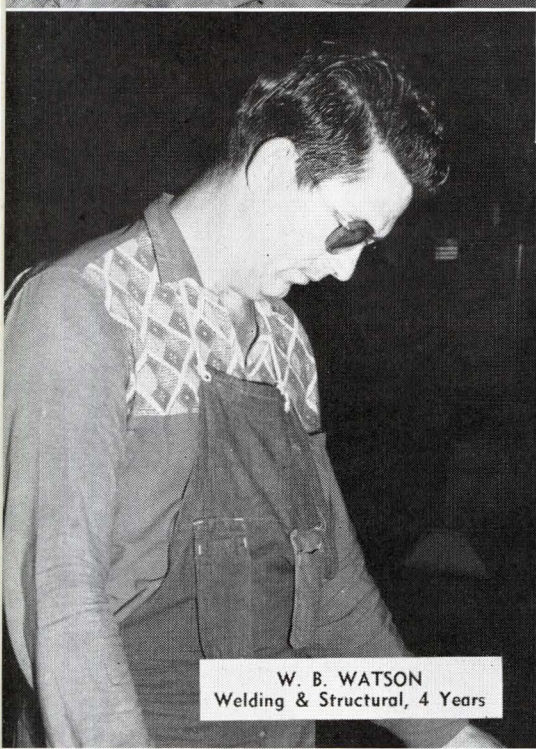


MICHAEL SCOTT
Welding & Structural, 7 Years

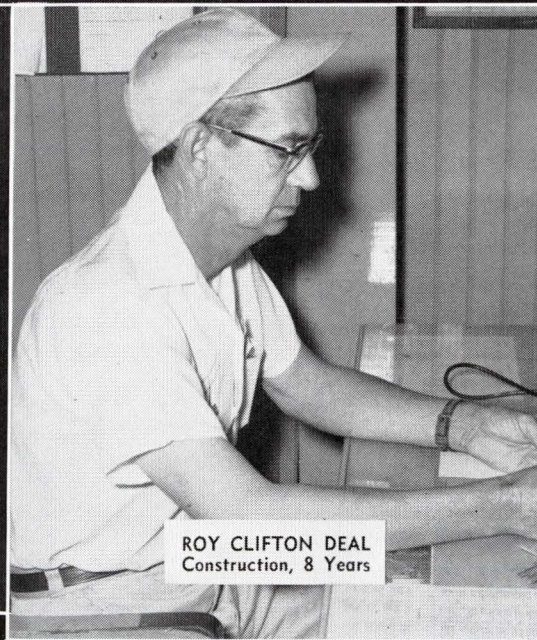


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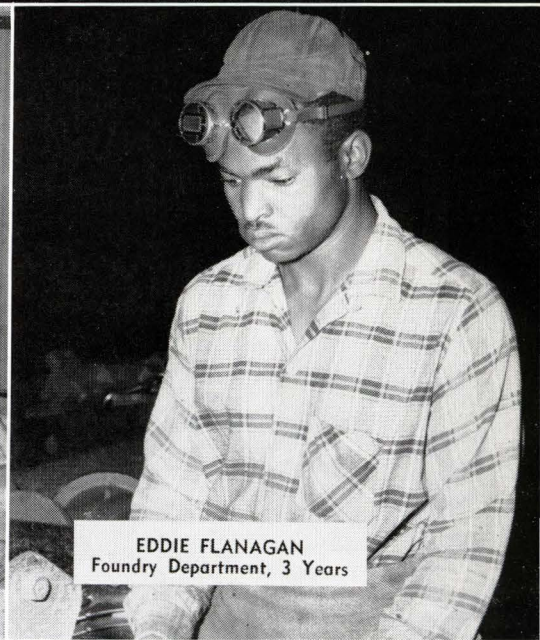
more anniversaries



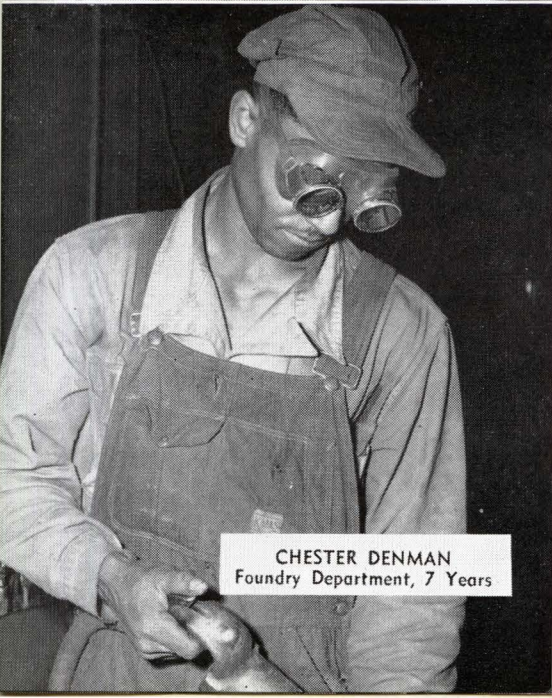
W. B. WATSON
Welding & Structural, 4 Years



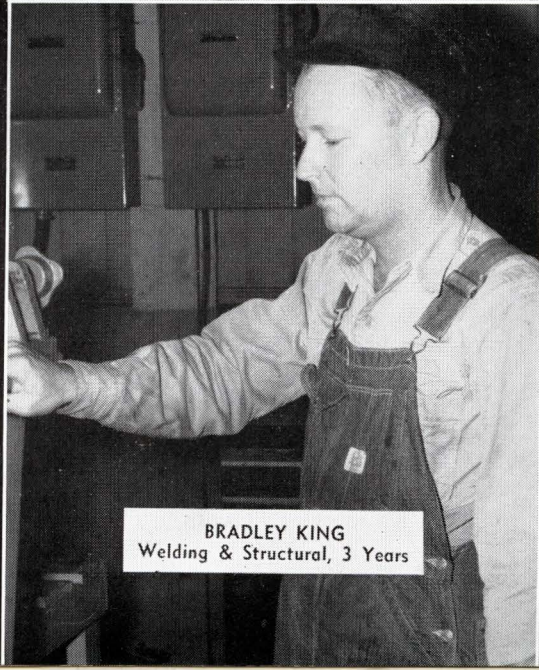
ROY CLIFTON DEAL
Construction, 8 Years



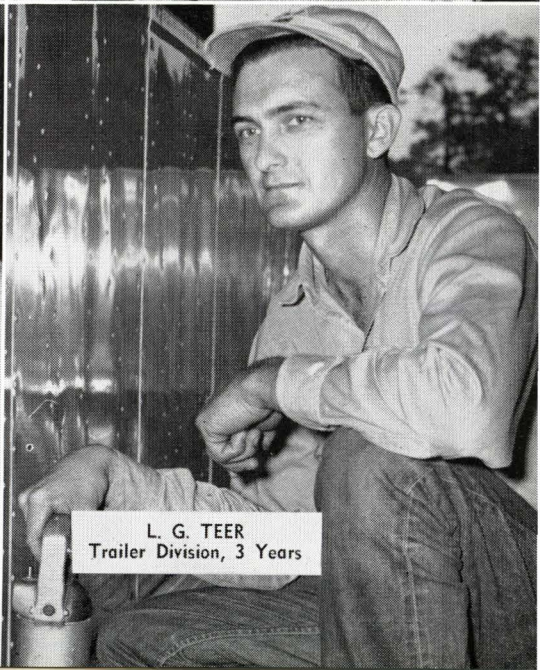
EDDIE FLANAGAN
Foundry Department, 3 Years



CHESTER DENMAN
Foundry Department, 7 Years



BRADLEY KING
Welding & Structural, 3 Years



L. G. TEER
Trailer Division, 3 Years

NEW Insurance Plan for Hourly Employees . . .

A NEW plan of group insurance which provides more adequate overall protection for the average hospital confinement became effective March 20, 1958, for hourly employees subject to Collective Bargaining.

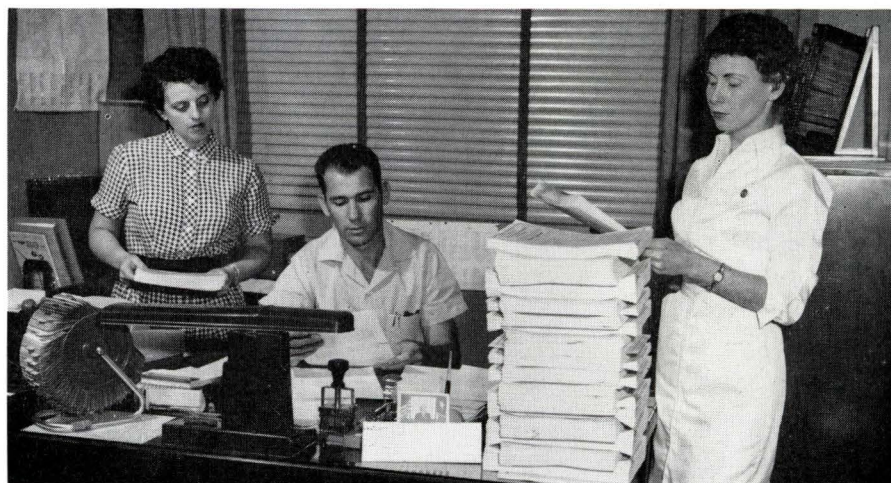
For almost 20 years, the Lufkin Foundry and Machine Company has cooperated with its employees to provide some plan of group insurance. As economic conditions changed and the cost of medical care increased, this insurance plan was revised.

During the past several years the claims paid under the group hospitalization policy far exceeded the premiums. Naturally, the underwriting insurance company, Aetna Life Insurance Company, increased the cost of the coverage, which the Company assumed without passing any of it on to the employees.

However, the time came when the Company had no alternative but to offer the bargaining group one of two choices; either to increase employee contributions or revise the plan so that "overnight" and/or unnecessary hospital confinements would be reduced.

The new plan accepted by the employees increased the over-all protection for the average hospital confinement but the monthly premium paid by employees was not increased. The necessary change in the plan which will eliminate "overnight" and/or unnecessary hospital confinements was effected by adding \$25.00 deductible for each hospital confinement.

Some 850 new insurance certificates typed by employees of the Personnel Department will be distributed to



PERSONNEL employees have completed the gigantic task of typing some 850 insurance certificates which are stacked on the desk of **JOE PERKINS**, insurance officer. Left is **JOAN GRIFFIN**, secretary, and **MARTHA HOPSON**, first aid nurse, who assisted Joe in preparing these certificates concerning the new plan of group hospitalization insurance for hourly employees.

hourly employees within a short time.

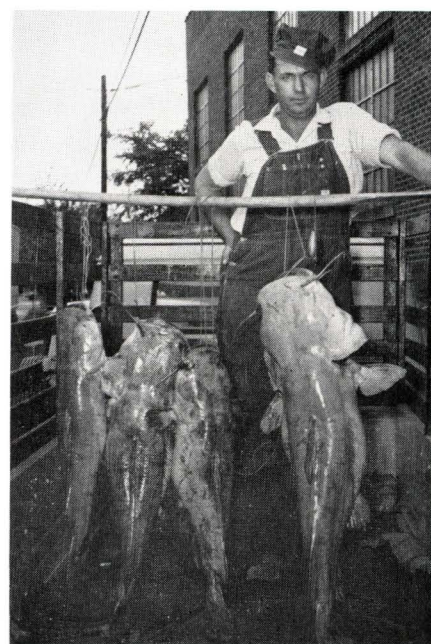
The new policy increases the amount allowed for a hospital room from \$7.00 to \$10.00. The amount for hospital incidentals was increased from \$70.00 to \$200.00. Surgical benefits for all operations were increased and the maximum amount now payable is \$240.00 as compared with the former amount of \$180.00. Payment for a physician's hospital visit was increased from \$3.00 per visit to \$5.00 per visit.

Polio benefits up to a maximum of \$5,000.00 was added to the new policy.

The amount of Life Insurance and weekly benefits remain the same under the new plan. The above changes in hospital room, surgical benefits, physician visits to hospital and the added Polio coverage are the significant differences between the two hospitalization plans, except that the new policy provides that the employee will pay a \$25.00 deductible for each hospital confinement.

This deductible should eliminate unnecessary brief hospital stays which in turn allows the increased benefits in other features of the plan.

The Company hopes this will be to the advantage of all employees. Any question concerning your insurance will be gladly handled by Joe Perkins, insurance officer.



VIRGIL PHILLIPS, crane operator in the Foundry Department, should have no timidity about his fishing prowess, for all he needs to do to prove his point is show the above picture. These four colossal catfish were caught at the confluence of the Attoyac and Angelina Rivers on April 5. Virgil had only a pair of rusty household scales, but they showed the largest fish to weigh 78 pounds. But regardless of the actual weight, this is some mess of fish!



Structural Shop Employees Win *Award of Honor...*

M. M. FONTENOT and President **W. W. TROUT** display the Award of Honor won by the Welding & Structural Shop

FOR the first time in the history of this Company, a top safety award has been earned. The Award of Honor, highest award of the National Safety Council, has been won by the Welding and Structural Shop for not having any lost-time accidents throughout 1957.

“Naturally we are proud of the award,” commented Joe Rich, personnel director, “but we are more proud of the fact that we had no lost-time accidents and of the employees who made such a record.”

According to Joe, this is not just an ordinary award. It is quite a feat for as many employees

as we have in the Welding and Structural Shop to do the type of work they do and not have a single lost-time accident for an entire year.

Another commendable aspect of the winning of this national award is that a tremendous improvement over the safety record of previous years had to be made before we could even hope to enter the race for a top award. As near as in 1956 and 1955, the Welding and Structural Shop had 10 lost-time accidents in each of these years. According to the way the companies are judged to determine the winner, we would be virtually eliminated if we had no more than three or four accidents.



THE DAY SHIFT employees helped accumulate 255,105 hours of work with no lost-time accidents



THE SECOND SHIFT employees of the Structural Shop did their part to assure the winning of the safety award

With 10 accidents in 1956, it was never dreamed that the employees of this department could complete 12 months without even one accident.

M. M. Fontenot, head of the Structural Shop, praised his men for their attitude and cooperation. "We have this award for two reasons. One is that the employees were willing to practice safety and joined us in good housekeeping habits around their work stations. Another reason is our moving into this new building where we have adequate

space and excellent lighting and ventilating facilities which certainly affect a man's work habits and help eliminate job hazards," Mr. Fontenot explained.

By taking the number of employees in this department and multiplying it by the total hours worked, we find that some 255,105 hours were worked in 1957 by the Welding and Structural Shop employees while achieving this record of no lost-time accidents during the year.

MAY ANNIVERSARIES

MACHINE SHOP

	Employment Date	Years With Co.
T. J. Selman	May 29, 1929	29
Conner E. Bell	May 14, 1935	23
William C. Hendry	May 8, 1946	12
Roy Clifton Deal	May 22, 1950	8
A. J. Havard	May 6, 1952	6
J. B. Treadway	May 12, 1952	6
John D. Tullos	May 25, 1954	4
John E. Berry	May 2, 1955	3
C. E. McFarland	May 18, 1955	3
Paul M. Durham	May 19, 1955	3
W. H. Crager	May 1, 1956	2

WELDING & STRUCTURAL

	Employment Date	Years With Co.
John Winston	May 24, 1933	25
Thedis Allen	May 23, 1941	17
Morgan N. Toney	May 5, 1942	16
Richard S. Nunn	May 3, 1947	11
Hubert H. Smith	May 22, 1947	11
Michael E. Scott	May 26, 1951	7
Jimmie L. Hamilton	May 26, 1951	7
E. O. Taylor	May 26, 1951	7
W. B. Watson	May 19, 1954	4
Henry J. Heflin	May 30, 1955	3
Bradley King	May 30, 1955	3
Vardaman Johnson	May 27, 1957	1

TRAILER DIVISION

	Employment Date	Years With Co.
John Copeland	May 26, 1942	16
John Cluck	May 2, 1945	13

Oscar M. Milligan	May 1, 1950	8
Marvin H. Lucas	May 21, 1951	7
Manuel E. Martin	May 29, 1951	7
Dewey K. Davis	May 12, 1952	6
Ray Lenderman	May 15, 1952	6
Lemuel C. Butler	May 19, 1951	7
Elvin G. Rice	May 4, 1955	3
L. G. Teer	May 23, 1955	3
James M. Deal	May 26, 1955	3
James N. Cloudy	May 26, 1955	3

FOUNDRY DEPARTMENT

	Employment Date	Years With Co.
June Baldwin	May 13, 1943	15
G. C. Bridges	May 1, 1944	14
Verdell Johnson	May 29, 1944	14
Gilmer Ransburg	May 9, 1945	13
Garfield Carter	May 18, 1945	13
Jessie Garcia	May 8, 1946	12
Willie Spencer	May 7, 1946	12
R. N. Smith	May 17, 1946	12
Frank Minton	May 16, 1947	11
Will H. Crain	May 30, 1947	11
Chester Denman	May 4, 1951	7
Elrige Cole	May 28, 1951	7
Paul N. Jordan	May 30, 1951	7
Vernon English	May 20, 1952	6
James Dairden	May 11, 1955	3
Melvin Powell	May 11, 1955	3
Eddie Flanagan	May 19, 1955	3

PATTERN SHOP

	Employment Date	Years With Co.
Virgil Ross	May 26, 1944	14
Billy R. Harris	May 29, 1956	2

MAIN OFFICE

	Employment Date	Years With Co.
A. E. Cudlipp	May 1, 1919	39
H. P. Collins	May 1, 1944	14
W. A. Kirkland	May 2, 1944	14
Tenny Braden	May 15, 1946	12
Betty Alexander	May 3, 1954	4

SECURITY GUARD

	Employment Date	Years With Co.
S. B. Gandy	May 29, 1951	7

PUMPING UNIT SALES

	Employment Date	Years With Co.
B. C. Burnette	May 31, 1943	15
R. C. Thompson	May 15, 1946	12
George Henson	May 7, 1954	4

MILL SUPPLIES

	Employment Date	Years With Co.
Byrl Garner	May 12, 1945	13
Novella Jarvis	May 28, 1947	11
Rowland Bass	May 16, 1951	7
J. P. Morgan	May 26, 1952	6

TRAILER SALES

	Employment Date	Years With Co.
R. P. Weaver	May 15, 1951	7
Bartolo Moreno	May 11, 1954	4
Johnny Chavarria	May 22, 1956	2

X-RAY & PHOTO LAB

	Employment Date	Years With Co.
Ben Hooker	May 28, 1953	5

MATERIAL CONTROL

	Employment Date	Years With Co.
Preston Loveless	May 6, 1954	4

The Foundry Roundup

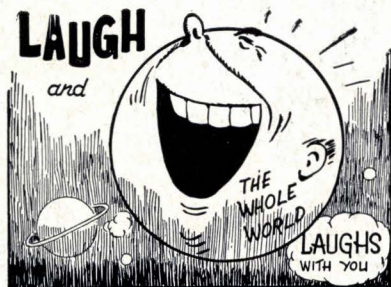
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"What kind of a dog is he?" asked the teacher.

"Well," answered the little boy, "he's a mixed-up kind. Sort of a cocker scandal."

Cowboy: "Aren't you putting that saddle on backwards?"

Dude: "How do you know? I haven't told you which way I'm going."

"Father just loves Venice."

"I can understand his admiration for colorful gondolas, St. Mark's and Michelangelo's."

"Oh, it wasn't that. He liked it because he could sit in his hotel room and fish."

Billy: "I heard a good one. Do you know the difference between a filet mignon and a hamburger?"

Lilly: "No, I don't."

Billy: "Good. Waiter, bring us two hamburgers."

A Texan had a small farm with just a few sheep. One day his wife, while dyeing some bedspreads blue, had a little lamb fall into the bucket of dye. A passing motorist saw the lamb with the blue fleece and bought it for \$50. So the Texan figured he had a good thing going and colored more lambs which brought big profits.

"Pretty soon," he recalled, "I was coloring them pink, blue, yellow, green, lavender and you know—now I'm the biggest lamb dyer in Texas."

The young couple had just been transferred to Brazil and in all the moving flurry the wife found that she had locked herself in her apartment one day, and couldn't find the key.

She kept calling the apartment house manager, who kept assuring her that he would be up immediately to let her out to do her errands, but she finally had to call her husband at work.

He came home and released her, then looked up the apartment house manager to find out why he had not gone and unlocked the door for his wife.

"But that is your private affair," explained the manager calmly. "If you want to lock up your wife, I won't be the one to let her out."

Teacher: "Johnny, name two documents that have contributed heavily to our government."

Johnny: "Form 1040 and 1040a."

Friends were consoling the widow of a tugboat skipper who'd fallen overboard and drowned. "Dearie," said one, "I hope you were left with something."

"Oh I was!" assured the widow. "He left me \$20,000."

"Imagine that! \$20,000! And he couldn't even read or write."

The widow nodded her head earnestly, "Or swim," she added.

A Soviet worker left the factory every night pushing a wheelbarrow full of straw. Every night the guard searched the straw but found nothing and passed the worker through the gate. This went on night after night. After a month, the guard broke down and pleaded with the worker: "I'm going to be sent to the Urals so you can talk freely to me. I give you my word I won't tell. What are you stealing?" "Wheelbarrows," the worker confessed.

One of the frustrations of an elevator operator is that he never hears the ends of stories.

"I ache all over," a man complained. "What's the trouble?" his friend asked.

"A couple of weeks ago we bought a lot of ultra modern furniture," he explained, "and I just found out that all this time I've been sleeping in the bookcase."

Father to daughter: "Your young man approached me and asked for your hand, and I consented."

Daughter: "But, Father, I don't wish to leave Mother."

Father: "Such feeling displayed by a child is admirable. Take your mother with you."

A little girl was heard talking to a neighbor child with whom she was playing cowboy. "You be Wild Bill Hickup," she said, "and I'll be Wyatt Burp."

"Why do you wear such tight shoes if they hurt your feet?"

"I'll tell you why. When I get home at night I have to listen to my wife and mother-in-law jaw me, put up with four mean kids and eat a lousy dinner. The only pleasure I have is taking off these darned shoes."

Mother: "Of course your father wouldn't commit murder, Junior. Why do you ask?"

Junior: "I just heard him down in the cellar saying, 'Let's kill the other two, George.'"

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