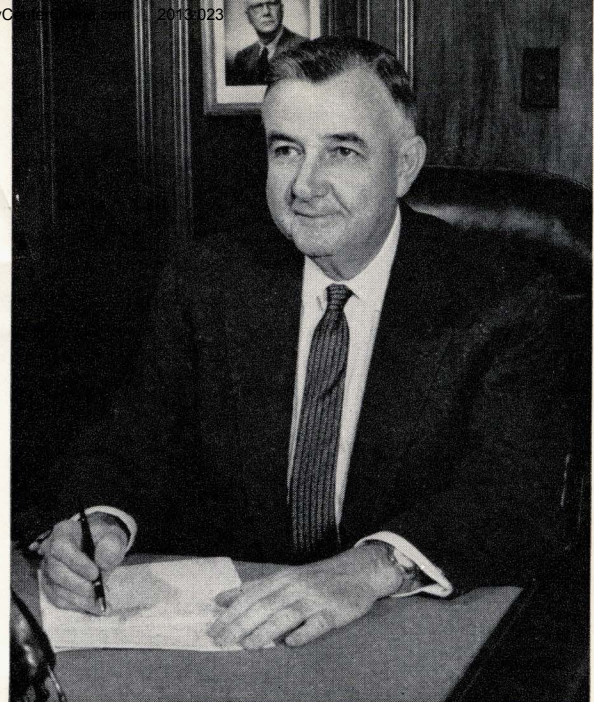


The Foundry Roundup

APRIL, 1962



from the PRESIDENT'S DESK...



I WOULD like to elaborate on my remarks in a recent issue of the Roundup relative to the problem of European competition for world trade.

I listed some European wage rates which indicated that European rates averaged about one-third of those in this country, and that American manufacturers were gradually pricing themselves out of business. There are additional factors that contribute to the seriousness of this problem.

Today, with the possible exception of areas in southern Italy and southern Spain, there is practically no such thing as unemployment. For a decade, free Europe has had no recession, few depressed areas, and very little obsolete equipment in their factories. European nations, prostrate from war not long ago, are exporting from 15% to 50% of their total output. We export 5%.

Europe is producing top quality goods more cheaply, partly because of their low wage structure, but also because they put a greater per cent of their gross national production back into new tools and equipment. West Germany is now investing 23% of its output per year in modernizing its plants, the Netherlands 24%, France 18%, and England 16%. We are putting up only 14%.

European governments have been more favorable to business expansion than ours. They offer faster tax write-offs for new investment, low interest government loans, no capital gains taxes, and even preferential rates for utilities.

In the matter of personal taxes, Europeans have greater business incentive. No country has income taxes as high as ours. West Germany's top is 53%, France 73%, Italy 58%, and Belgium 65%. Ours soar to 91%.

Americans in the higher tax brackets have no incentive to invest in plants and equipment. Most of their money is now going into tax-free municipal bonds.

Let's suppose a man in the highest tax bracket (91%) buys a share of stock costing \$100.00 that pays him \$5.00 a year in dividends, which is more than he can normally expect. His federal tax is \$4.50, leaving him 50¢ a year net. There is a definite hazard in any investment that any of us make. This company of course could go broke over the years, or conceivably could grow. Assuming that it did neither, it would take two hundred years at 50¢ a year for this man to get back his investment. If a man were in the 50% bracket it would take him forty years.

For years, there has been talk in congress about modernizing our tax laws, but so far little has been done. Most people take the position that everybody ought to pay a lot of taxes except themselves. Until the time comes when tax laws are changed so as to encourage investment, this country is going to continue to have more difficulty in competing with our European competitors.

WALTER W. TROUT

FOUNDRY FOLK

SPRINGTIME is fishing time. A member of the fairer sex, **THALIA MARTIN**, wife of **TILMAN MARTIN**, Accounting Department, caught a string of fish at Dam B recently, while her husband could do little more than sit and watch. Although fishing within a few feet of each other, the fishermen had different luck. He thinks he remembers that he caught three!

Thalia is a little disappointed that the fish look so small in the picture. "They really weren't that little!" she protests.

One of the youngest visitors to the open house held recently in the new offices of the Trailer Division was **AMY CATES**, *one-and-a-half-month* old daughter of **ROY CATES**, Trailer Engineering. A picture was snapped of this bright-eyed youngster together with her father and mother, **CAROLYN**.

MARY FOSTER, daughter of **A. A. FOSTER**, *Trailer Division*, and the poet whose works we have published from time to time in **THE ROUNDUP**, sent us another contribution recently. It was a poem written following the death of the Fosters' squirrel dog, **Butch**, who was killed by a car.

BUTCH

No more the bark of joy as we walk through the gate,
Nor the eager little paw in my hand.
The big, black car just could not wait;

It's driver was an important man,
With no time for a little pup like you.
He had bigger, better things to do.
Little fellow, we will all miss you so much.

'Specially the little boy that lives here;
You filled his heart with joy
And soothed each childish tear.
They told me once doggies have no Heaven, no place to go.
But I don't intend to tell a little boy so.

He will wonder where you are;
How can I tell him about the big black car?
Perhaps if the driver could see his little eyes

As we try to explain why doggies die,
He would be more careful as he speeds along.
Lest he destroy something precious of his own.

We are all proud of the State Champions, the Red Devils, of Huntington.



THALIA MARTIN . . . weak from catching so many fish



MARY FOSTER, KEITH and BUTCH before their squirrel dog was killed by a car

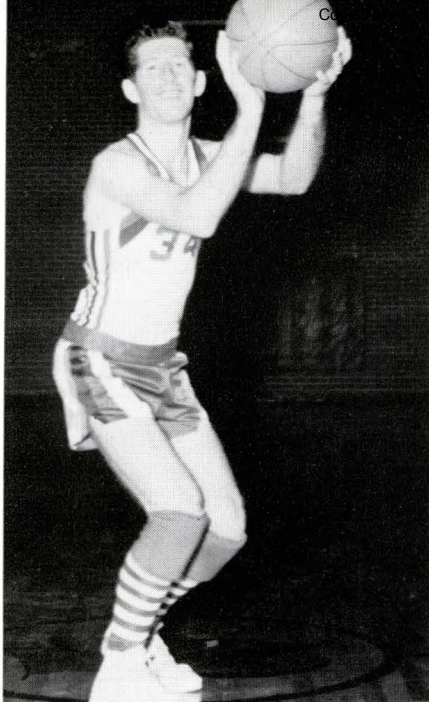


ROY and CAROLYN CATES with tiny **AMY** were visitors to Trailer Offices open house

One of the stars of the famous basketball team is **DOYLE BURNETT**, son of **HOLLIS BURNETT**, Trailer Division. Doyle, 17, is a senior at Huntington High School. Standing six feet, one inch, Doyle was a guard on the team and posted a total of 568 points for the season, averaging 13.2 per game.

In District play, Doyle had 113 points for a 14 point per game average. His highest scoring was 28 against Big Sandy.

Among the honors that have come to Doyle are being placed on the all-



**DOYLE BURNETT . . . star on
Huntington's Red Devils team**



**IRENE FRITZ . . . bookkeeper in oilfield
offices in Los Angeles**



**DONNA BALLARD . . . secretary in our
California branch office**

county first team, the all-district first team, and receiving honorable mention on all-tournament team at Austin.

This young athlete is interested in all kinds of sports, but his favorites are basketball and baseball. He plans to enter Tyler Junior College this Fall.

From Los Angeles, we received pictures of new girls in the West Coast Division office. The snapshots were made by GLENN HENDERSON of DONNA BALLARD, secretary, and IRENE FRITZ, bookkeeper.

On March 15, Girl Scouts of Troops 179 and 165 held their annual Father-

Daughter banquet. The Scouts planned the menu and program, brought the box supper and royally entertained their dads at the occasion. There were relay races for the fathers who won prizes for their feats. Some 58 people attended the dinner, all of whom were Scouts and their dads.

Lufkin Foundry dads who participated in the event were VICTOR STEPHANO, Machine Shop; HUBERT BREAZEALE, Machine Shop; HAROLD WEEKS, Gas Engine dept.; R. O. KENDRICK, Welding and Structural Shop; and WAYNE WIMP, JR., Trailer Division.

Leaders of Girl Scout Troop 179

are Mrs. Austin Anderson and Mrs. Ray Green, and for Troop 165, Mrs. Wayne Wimp, Jr. and Mrs Ralph Hassett.

It won't be long until the end of the current school year which will mean graduation for many. We'll be most happy to have pictures of any high school or college graduate whose parent is an employee of Lufkin Foundry. Please send these pictures and identification to the Editor, FOUNDRY ROUNDUP, Old Trailer Building.

**Below: GIRL SCOUT Father-Daughter
banquet . . . Dads had to eat daughters'
cooking and compete in relay games**



The Editor's Corner

ON SUNDAY, May 13, special tribute will be paid to Mothers everywhere.

The other day a man paid tribute to his wife and the mother of his children when he wrote a letter to a newspaper after he had taken his wife's place in the house for three days. After describing what went on during those three days, he paid her tribute and wrote volumes with a five word question: "How does she do it?"

It is with that question in mind that we quote the following and express our thanks and gratitude to mothers who through love, understanding and work, make life pleasant for all of us.

The employer questioned the boy applicant for a job:

"I suppose you are a hard worker. What time do you get up in the morning?"

"Oh, I get up at half past five and have my breakfast."

"Anybody else get up at that time?"

"Oh, yes. My mother. She gets my breakfast, and then she gets dad's at half past six."

"And your dinner?"

"Oh, mother gets that, too, and then she gets father's."

"Has she the afternoon to herself?"

"Oh, no. She cleans up, looks after the children, and gets supper for dad and me when we come home. Then we get our smoke, watch TV for awhile, and then we go to bed."

"And your mother?"

"Well, she does a bit of sewing then, when all is cleaned up after supper and the kids are put to bed."

"What wages do you get?"

"Seventy dollars, and dad gets more than a hundred."

"And your mother?"

"What do you mean?"

"What wages does she get?"

"Oh, mother? Why, she don't get no wages. She don't work!"

And while we're speaking on the fairer sex, we found this item. The ladies, bless them, are too often obliged to sit down with their club-women friends and discuss roses, the next charity undertaking, and their diets. Then they will adjourn for lunch to the nearest restaurant and order roast beef, potatoes, bread, mayonnaise, butter, and fudge sundaes.

And, because they go home remorseful over breaking their diets (again) they whip up a calorie-less and starch-less dinner for the old man and four growing school kids.

We had an item through the mail recently which might interest parents and their children who will be juniors or seniors in high school next September. It concerns a two-week summer institute which is designed to aid the college aspirant and the should be college aspirant "put the pieces together" and help remove the guess from college program and career decisions.

This program is called the Junior Engineers' and Scientists' Summer Institutes and is endorsed by the National Society of Professional Engineers and approved by superintendents of public schools across the nation.

The JESSI program by lecture, demonstration and laboratory procedures gives an enrollee an insight into the pure and basic applied sciences, and some knowledge of the study program and career opportunities in the science and engineering fields.

The JESSI for the Lufkin area is on the campus of the New Mexico State University and co-host will be White Sands Missile Range. The dates are June 17-30.

More information can be obtained from the local high school science or mathematics teacher, or from JESSI, Scientists of Tomorrow, 309 New Flidner Bldg., Portland 5, Oregon.

We have a folder of complete information in THE ROUNDUP office and will be happy to show it to any parent or student interested.

All of us have heard the old saying that the cow thinks the grass on the other side of the fence looks greener. If the cow would only look around, she'd see plenty of green grass on her own side of the fence. People also need to watch both sides of the fence, whether the fence divides a farm in Iowa or a city in Europe.

For instance, our country is spending staggering amounts of money to meet the threat of international Communism. Yet, some of us seem to ignore another threat to our freedom right in our own back yard. That threat is increasing government control which could gradually weaken our free enterprise system.

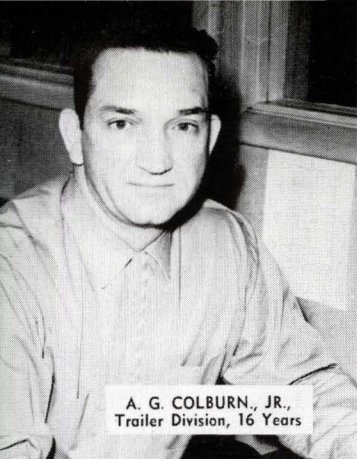
Our whole way of life is evidence that: *People fare best in a free, competitive society, rather than in a state-planned and state-controlled society.* The decisions of millions of progress-seeking people to buy, or not to buy products in a free competitive market, guide and regulate our economy.

Unnecessary government control is a wasteful way of minding the business of individuals and industries who have been proving for 172 years that they can manage it better themselves.

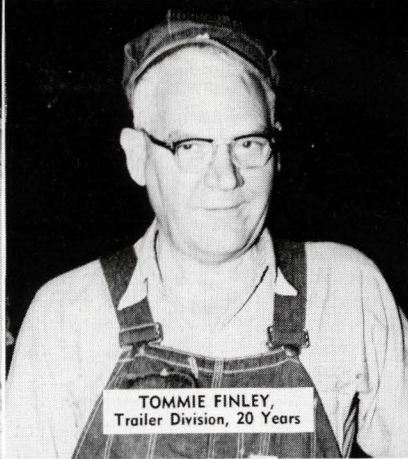
Government control tends to stifle progress, no matter how well meaning, unselfish, sincere, and intelligent the people are who exercise such control.

We can keep the grass green on our side of the fence if we demand government that protects and fosters rather than restricts free enterprise.

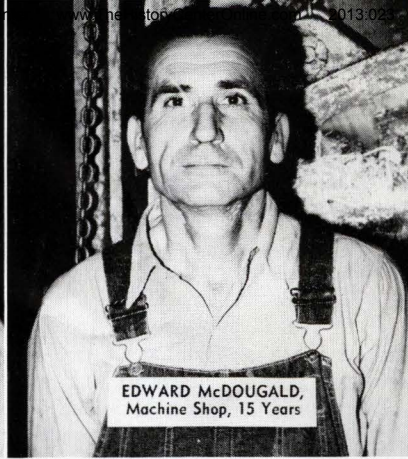




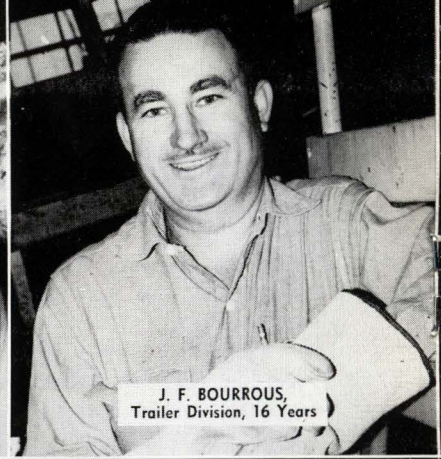
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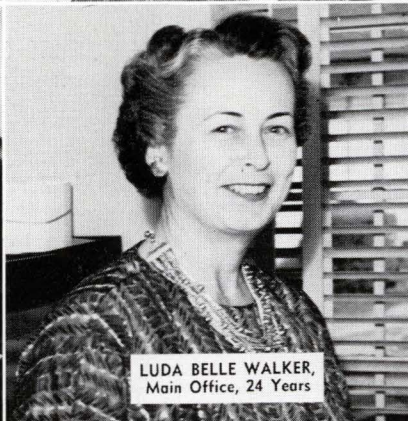
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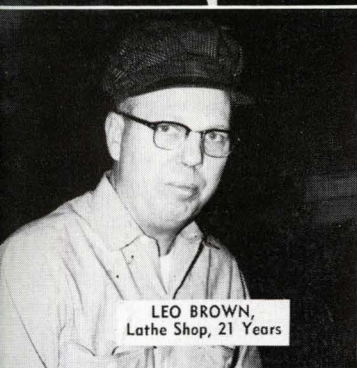
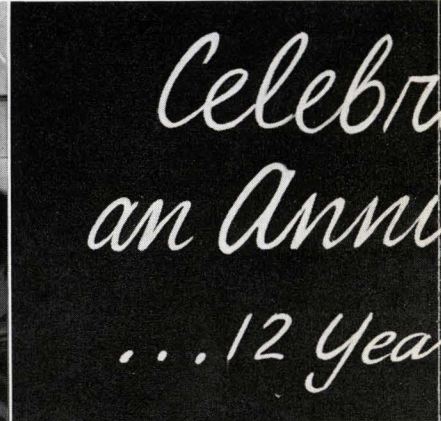
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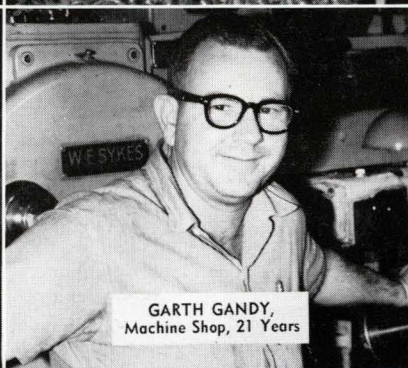
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Main Office, 24 Years



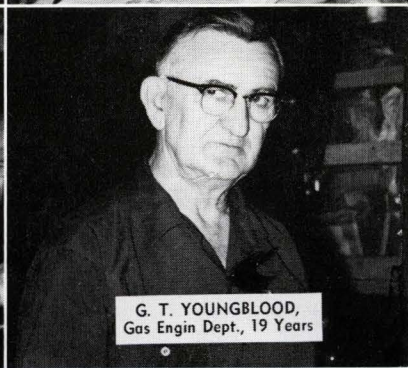
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Lathe Shop, 21 Years



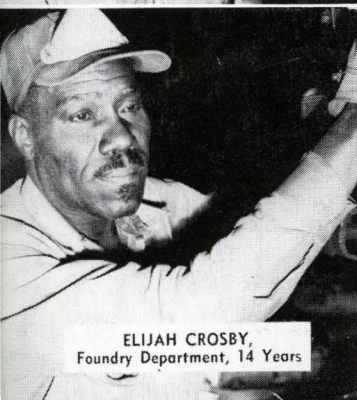
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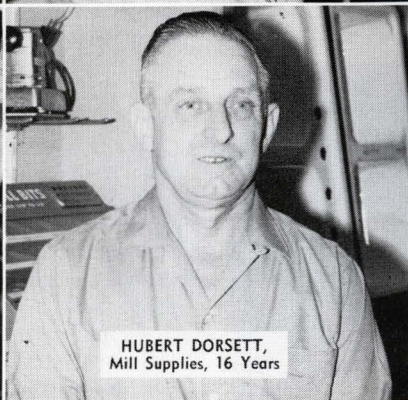
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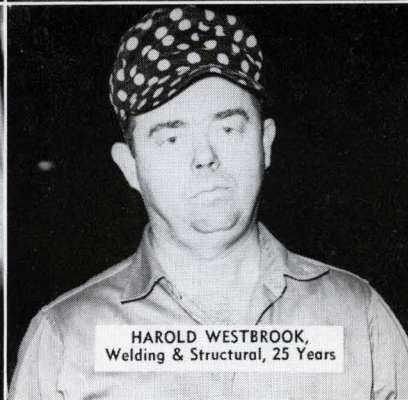
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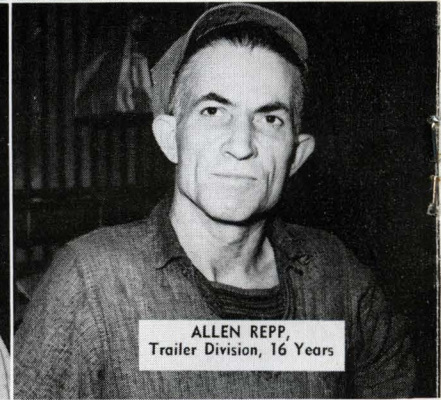
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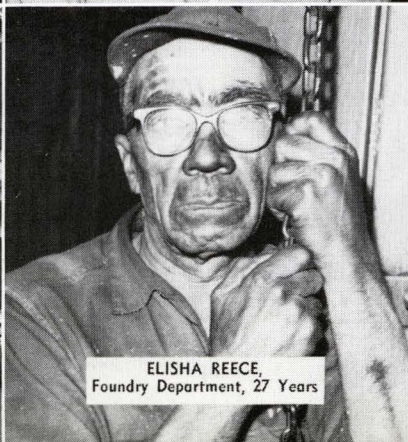
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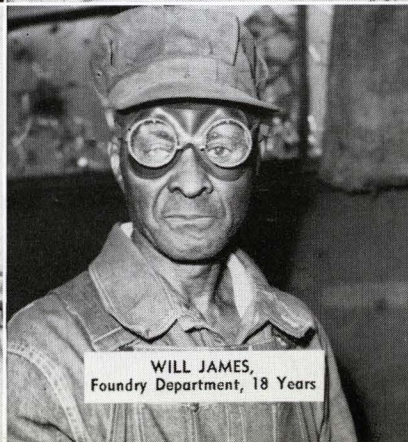
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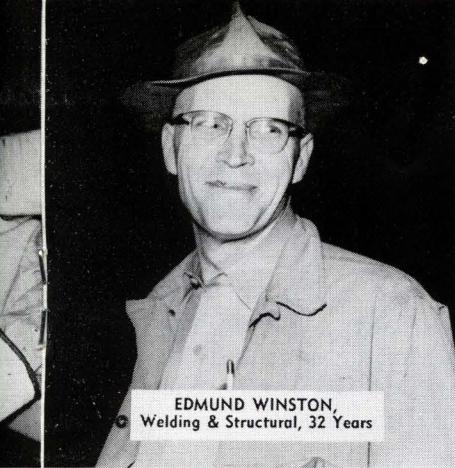
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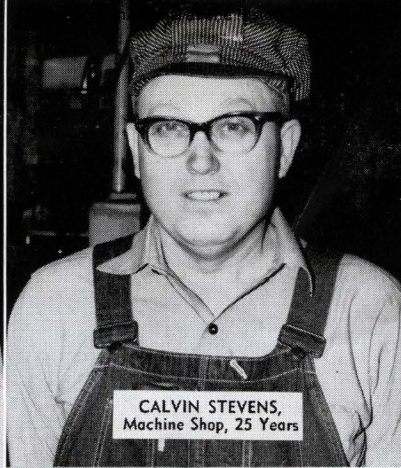
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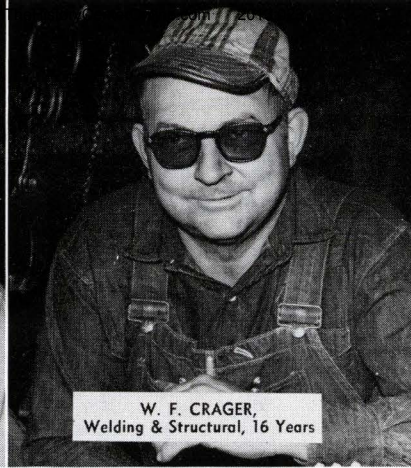
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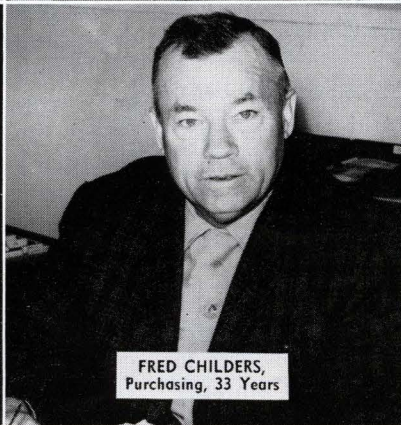
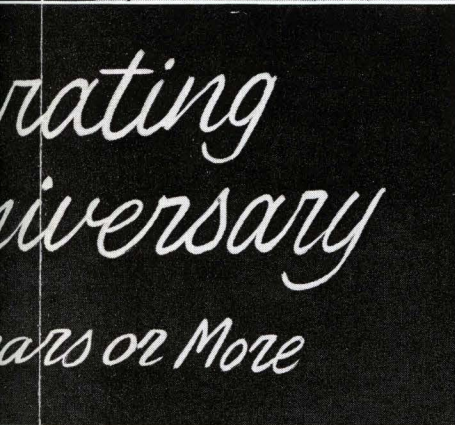
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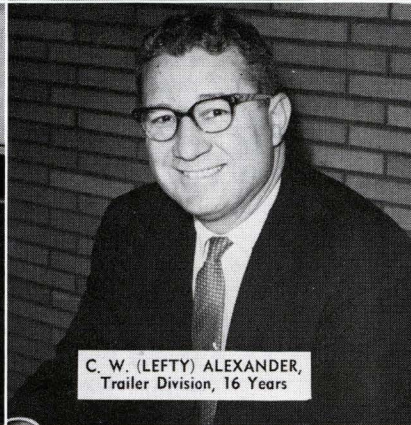
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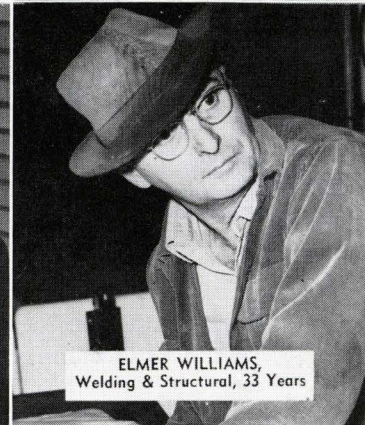
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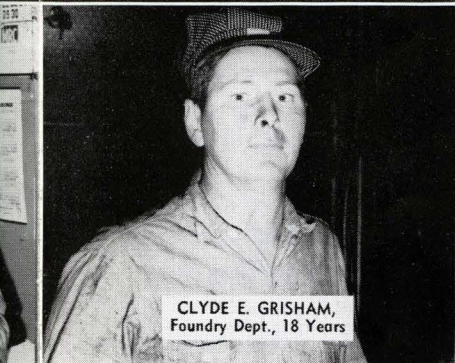
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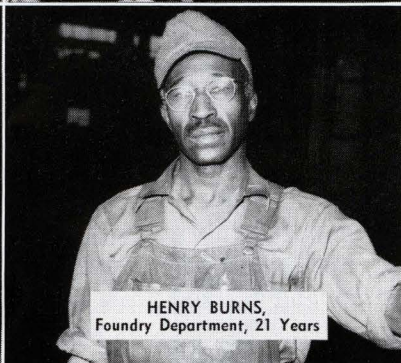
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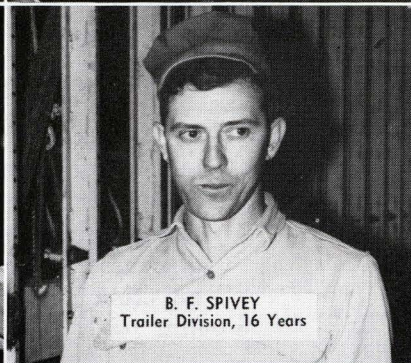
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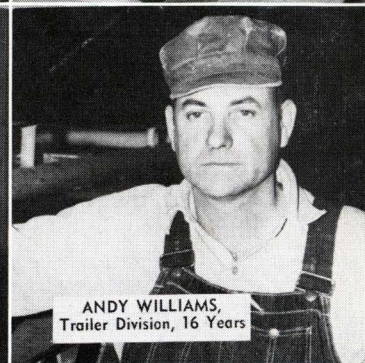
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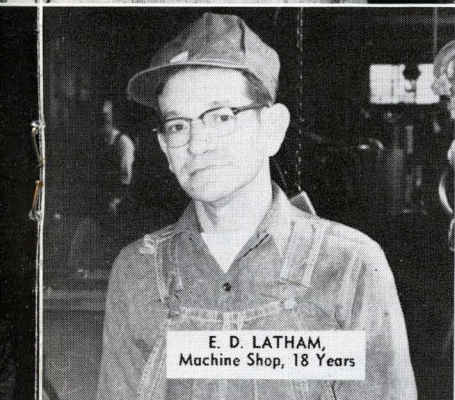
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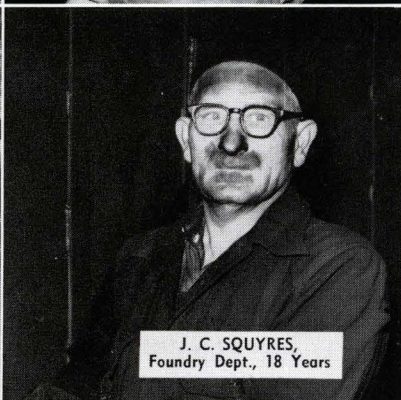
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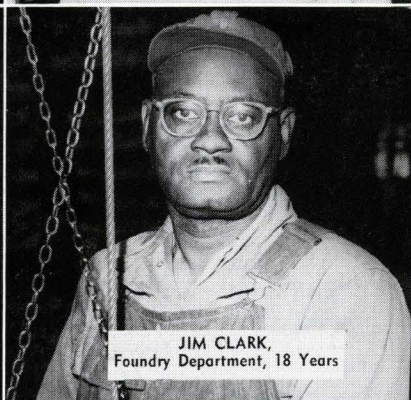
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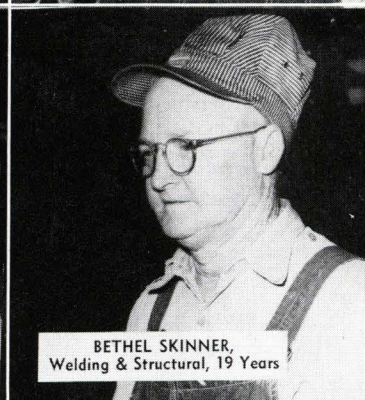
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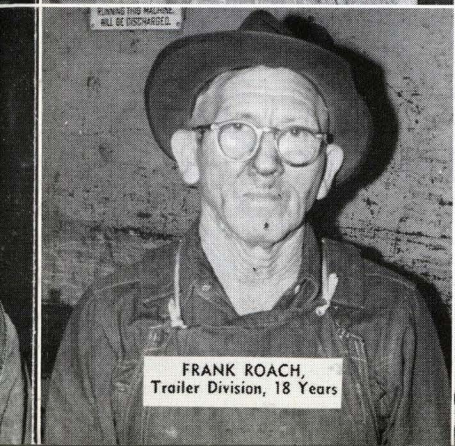
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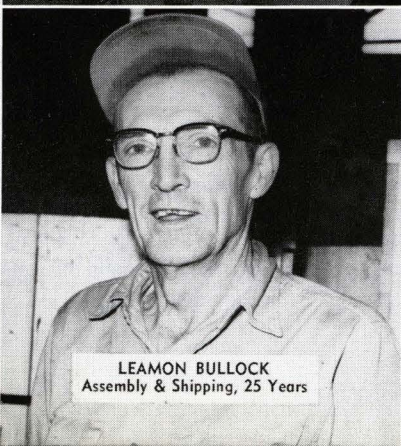
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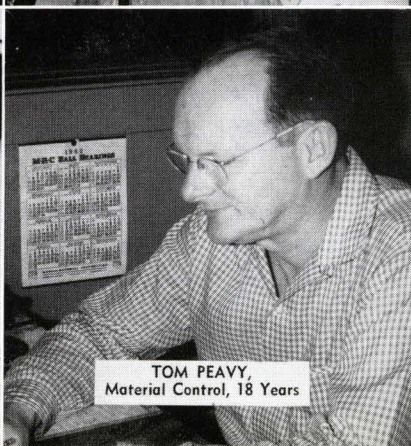
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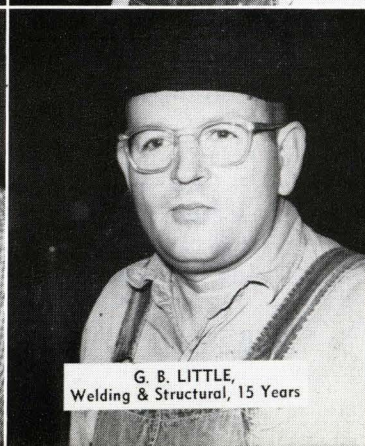
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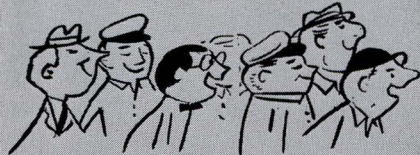


TOM PEAVY,
Material Control, 18 Years



G. B. LITTLE,
Welding & Structural, 15 Years

Observations around the Plant...



JACK SPURGEON thinks it elevates JAKE ROSS's prestige to be seen in his company.

JIM FENLEY is looking forward to the time when he can run down to Houston to see a major league baseball game.

THOMAS BREWER thinks the Bethlehem inventory must have covered the whole state of Oklahoma.

JIM ROE was very sorry he didn't bring his golf shoes along on his last trip to Texas.

JOE BAILEY says the more you keep books on your cattle, the more you find out you lose money. Best thing is not to keep books, then you have all the fun of feeding and housing in blissful ignorance!

W. V. PETTY isn't enjoying the cold weather we are having this Spring.

A. J. JUMPER says, "it's almost warm enough to take a bath."

ROBERT BERRY gets in such a hurry going to work that he forgets to punch in.

JOHNNIE POWELL doubts anyone can equal his record at punching holes in samson post material.

ELMER WILLIAMS wishes someone would retire every week if he could attend a retirement party every week.

JODIE GLEEN badly disappointed because someone got the peach tree he had set out near the Welding Shop.

JERRY MILLIGAN using a lot of patience dismantling a structure that had been welded up wrong.

MAURICE MALONE thinks BILL PENNINGTON should forget about Arkansas and concentrate more on Texas.

CHARLIE WILLIFORD is proud of his grandson, Bill.

J. C. COVINGTON and HOMER JONES had to adapt themselves to other jobs after the Company changed the design on equalizers.

H. W. COSTLOW is good at finding a better way of doing the job.

CARTER O'QUINN, half asleep in church when preacher mentioned Bethlehem of Judea, thought there was about to be a discourse on our Bethlehem acquisition and got up and walked out.

C. R. BATES is in fine fettle after his sojourn in the hospital.

THEDIS ALLEN went to work in the Structural Shop in May, 1941 as a painter. Maintains a good reputation around Pollok for truth and veracity.

MURPH HIGHTOWER says when you get a thing located where everyone concerned knows where to find it, then it's time to move it.

GENE PERKINS is anxious to know whether or not JIM ODOM is following the doctor's orders.

VIRGINIA STRINGER, daughter of BUCK STRINGER, Welding Shop, merits signal honors for her work at The University of Texas . . . truly a brilliant young lady.

FATE JOHNSON is justly proud of his daughter, Mrs. Teer, whose piano students recently gave an excellent recital.

BILL CATER's mother-in-law, MRS. LEE MCCARTY, is a shining example of what outdoor and active living will do for people. She is a treat for dispondency.

The whole plant was grieved at the passing of ELBERT BUTLER. Elbert was never known to stoop to a compromise between right and wrong. There was only one way for him, the right way.

We are very much in sympathy with CHARLES and JOHN DANIEL in the loss of their mother.

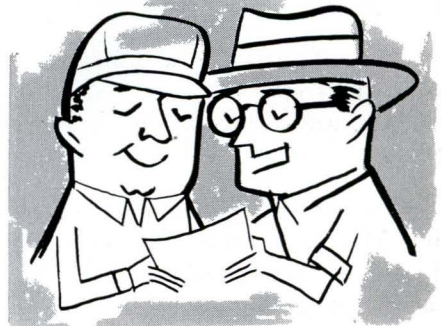
Congratulations are in order for GARTH (RED) GANDY who was married a few weeks ago. He and Mrs. Gandy (Bill Lewis, a former employee) slipped around and tied the knot before anyone knew it. Guess Red was afraid of what his fellow workers would do to a prospective bridegroom.

NEW EMPLOYEES

PEGGY WALTMAN is making her second stint with the Company . . . is back with the Mill Supplies division.

Structural Shop gets additional help from EARL BURCHFIELD, who has sleeping and eating arrangements on Route 2.

JEFF DAVID PINNER adds his talents to others in the Welding Shop, and lives with wife and two children in Huntington.





GRADEN BUTLER is a disciple of J. C. LOWE in Houston Trailer branch office.

JOE C. POWELL shook loose from military service and took up where he left off in Trailer Division.

PIETER A. JANSON migrated from Wells and performs daily duties in the Machine Shop.

CHARLES B. KENDRICK accepted a release from the military service and went back to Trailer Division.

CLAUDE M. BROOKSHIRE is a machinist in the making . . . has living arrangements on Route 2.

CLARENCE J. McFERRON hopes to stay in the good graces of LEFTY ALEXANDER. This boy's present mission is to sell trailers in the territory around Oklahoma City.

HENRY RICHARDSON, a young married man, hails from New Caney and is employed in the Houston branch of the Trailer Division.

GARLIN KELLEY is a new employee of the Foundry. If he can play baseball, he and his eight children could make up a complete team, and his wife could be the umpire.

JOHN THOMPSON originated in the "Friendly City" of Nacogdoches, and works in the Welding Shop.

CULLEN REYNOLDS is employed by Machine Shop. Is unencumbered at the present time, but seems to have an appeal to the soprano clan.

CHARLES HARRIS, no counterbalance, takes part in the Welding Shop activities. Admits kin to HOSEA HARRIS also in Welding Shop.

Shreveport Trailer Branch applied for help and came up with HOMER SHADOWENS.

The Dallas Trailer Branch was limping along until they hired JERRY JONES, a young man with a wife and one child.

I. D. WEEKS is wearing Machine Shop colors and is under the protecting care of Diboll City government.

RICHARD ENGLISH is on FRANK RAGLAND's Trailer Engineering team again.

BOBBY MALNAR is taking a second fling at Trailer Division; is a Keltys product. His sister, DORIS, works in Purchasing Department.

JAMES WILLIAMS is helping Utility Maintenance gang with their many projects. He and his family of wife and two children live at Diboll.

JAMES BRASHER is also with Utility Maintenance crew. Lives at 606 Myrtie with wife and two children.

MARKING AN ANNIVERSARY

MACHINE SHOP

Employment Date	Years With Co.
R. E. Barr April 30, 1935	27
Calvin Stevens April 20, 1937	25
Leamon Bullock April 27, 1937	25
Leo Brown April 14, 1941	21
Garth Gandy April 14, 1941	21
Marlin Harris April 16, 1941	21
G. T. Youngblood April 8, 1943	19
E. D. Latham April 24, 1944	18
Lansing Jumper April 29, 1946	16
Edward McDougald April 7, 1947	15
Charley Unsell April 25, 1951	11
C. E. Youngblood April 8, 1952	10
Joe Warner April 15, 1952	10
R. H. Reeves April 5, 1954	8
Chester Horabuckle April 5, 1954	8
A. G. Wilkins April 16, 1954	8
G. E. Oliver April 26, 1954	8
J. B. Vardeman April 30, 1954	8
Donald Ray Cutler April 25, 1955	7
Troy Lee Edwards April 25, 1955	7
Ray Wolford April 30, 1956	6
J. H. Nick April 17, 1957	5
Maxim Grant April 24, 1957	5
Elvin Hardee April 13, 1959	3

TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT

Employment Date	Years With Co.
J. C. Lamont April 2, 1951	11

TRAILER DIVISION

Employment Date	Years With Co.
Gordon Barrett April 23, 1940	22
Tommie Finley April 22, 1942	20
Frank K. Roach April 3, 1944	18
B. F. Spivey April 1, 1946	16
A. G. Colburn, Jr. April 12, 1946	16
J. F. Bourrous April 15, 1946	16
Andy Williams April 19, 1946	16
H. E. O'Quinn April 26, 1946	16
Allen Repp April 9, 1951	11
Billy M. Deal April 14, 1953	9
Jack Davis April 13, 1956	6
T. H. Leftwich April 10, 1961	1

SECURITY GUARD

Employment Date	Years With Co.
R. W. Wimp Sr. April 20, 1957	5

PERSONNEL

Employment Date	Years With Co.
Joan Griffin April 14, 1955	7

FOUNDRY DEPARTMENT

Employment Date	Years With Co.
Elisha Reece April 9, 1935	27
Henry Burns April 3, 1941	21
Will James April 7, 1944	18

Employment Date	Years With Co.
J. C. Squyres April 7, 1944	18
Jim Clark April 13, 1944	18
Clyde E. Grisham April 17, 1944	18
Zeno Cox April 18, 1947	15
Elijah Crosby April 8, 1948	14
Jim Singletary April 17, 1952	10
F. J. Berry April 23, 1952	10
Guy Richards April 14, 1954	8
J. C. Wortham April 26, 1954	8
James Durham April 4, 1955	7

MATERIAL CONTROL

Employment Date	Years With Co.
Tom Peavy April 5, 1944	18
Perry Grisham April 8, 1947	15

WELDING & STRUCTURAL

Employment Date	Years With Co.
Elmer Williams April 22, 1929	33
Edmund Winston April 28, 1930	32
Harold Westbrook April 7, 1937	25
Bethel Skinner April 8, 1943	19
W. F. Crager April 27, 1946	16
George B. Little April 15, 1947	15
M. D. Lamon April 17, 1951	11
J. D. White April 23, 1954	8
Arthur Holiday April 4, 1956	6
Marvin Nichols April 25, 1956	6

MILL SUPPLIES

Employment Date	Years With Co.
Hubert Dorsett April 25, 1946	16
Kelley Griffin April 18, 1955	7
J. G. Singletary April 4, 1960	2

MAIN OFFICE

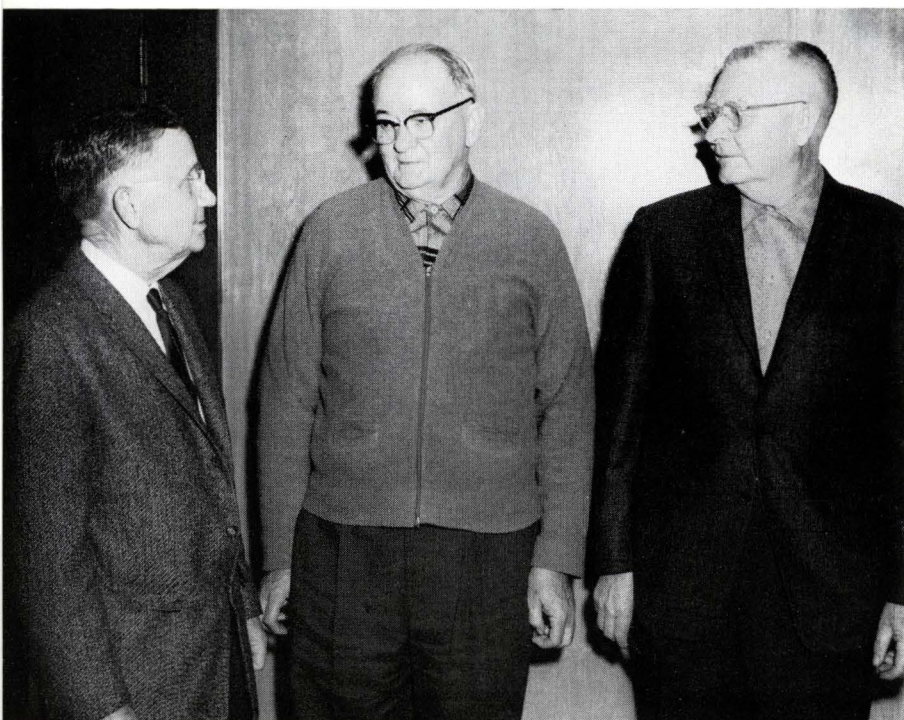
Employment Date	Years With Co.
L. A. Little April 15, 1927	35
Fred Childers April 16, 1929	33
Luda Belle Walker April 7, 1938	24
Ben Elliott April 16, 1946	16
Manuel Aguirre April 16, 1956	6
Johnnie E. Jones April 24, 1959	3
Doris Malner April 29, 1960	2

OILFIELD SALES & SERVICE

Employment Date	Years With Co.
Glenn Henderson April 20, 1946	16
A. P. Neureither April 8, 1947	15
J. C. Roe April 23, 1953	9
Marion Hightower April 2, 1956	6
Donna Lee Ballard April 6, 1961	1

TRAILER SALES & SERVICE

Employment Date	Years With Co.
C. W. Alexander April 24, 1946	16
Neill Morris April 1, 1952	10
Clifton Glasgow April 28, 1955	7
H. A. Rateliff April 16, 1956	6
R. M. Guynes April 27, 1961	1



TWO OLD TIMERS

Call it a Day

GUY CROOM, left, shop superintendent, waxed eloquent in his remarks when JOHN NIXON, center, and BOBO HAYS retired. He presented them engraved gold watches from the Company

By Guy Croom

THE record shows that John Nixon went to work June 3, 1919. At that time, Jack Dillworth was superintendent and day foreman, and Eph Atkinson was night foreman. Bobo Hays was an apprentice boy.

The Shop was housed in a wood frame building and there was not an electric hoist in the plant. The day crew went to work at 6:30 a.m., took one hour for lunch, and quitting time was 5:30 p.m., except on Saturday when quitting time was 4:30 p.m. with full 10 hours allowed.

There was a bonus incentive in effect at the time and it worked this way. If you worked the full 10 hours, six days per week for two weeks, there was a separate check for 2½ cents per hour for the two weeks, or \$3.00. In case you lost any time, there was no bonus.

Just prior to John's debut, the company bought three used Gisholt Turret lathes. These machines were driven by a flat belt from a transmission arrangement overhead. This transmission was a Rube Goldberg design that furnished four different spuds and there were two spuds in the machine itself obtained from a high and low speed clutch. The overhead transmission was an open gear affair that was a maintenance man's nightmare.

John had not been here many months before he wound up running one of these jobs.

Sawmill machinery was our chief strength and support but about this time, we picked up some

business from oil refineries making flanged, screwed and cast iron pipe fittings. The old Gisholts were a natural for this work and since John was a country boy that was not afraid to work, he soon became a favorite with the boss on such jobs.

This routine rocked along for awhile but in the meantime, we got into the pumping unit business and John made brass bushings on the same old turret lathe but it had been slightly modernized by putting a spud box adjacent to the headstock connected by a chain drive. This did away with the flat belt and the overhead transmission.

Then in the late thirties just prior to World War II we had a revolutionary change. We bought some new equipment . . . a battery of four modern turret lathes. Of course, John fell heir to one of these. Not long hence, however, we had a new shop foreman named John Nixon.

This arrangement worked along fine because John knew his business and had the intestinal fortitude to back up his convictions. Then came a day when John got tired of the battles and daily problems that bring gray hairs and coronaries to shop foremen, so he quit and took a job that he could do and leave at the shop at the end of the day.

If our arithmetic serves us correctly, John lacked two months having worked 43 years when he retired March 16, 1962, and they never made many better men.



SEVERAL of BOBO HAY's fellow employees gave him a "going-away" party when he retired recently. They presented him with a spinning reel, tackle box and all the accessories. Shown here with Bobo are, left

to right, Laura Douglass and Barbara Fowler (seated), Ray Russell, Fred Griffin, J. C. Lamont, Tip Brashear, Fred Phillips, J. R. Nutt, Carrel Watts, Rhobie White, and Delbert Williford

BOOKS show that Chase Hays went to work for the Company in 1916. Mutt Barr was yet unborn. Woodrow Wilson was President of the United States. World War I was raging in Europe. The war was across the Atlantic Ocean and we had no reason to be alarmed. After all, it was a family fight; the same old thing that had been going on as far back as recorded history.

Chase's first job was helping Bob Schuller (Dude's Dad). Bob was never very selective in names that he called his helpers. In this case, "Bobo" was the first thing that came to his mind and "Bobo" it has been every since.

Bobo's first assignment was "take that wheelbarrow and go to the foundry and get the cupola." Of course, he failed but he tried!

In 1917, our United States had a rude awakening from its lethargy concerning the war, and in April of that year, we were in it. Our hero, like most young men his age, offered his services in the defense of our country. Earlier in life he had suffered an accident that left him with a permanent halt in his mobility and the medics said "no" to his application.

This left Bobo with only one choice: continue to do his bit as a civilian. Having already started as a machinist's apprentice, he took up where he left off.

Things happened fast and furious during the war years and after the Armistice of November, 1918, and for several years thereafter, business was good. Machinists were in demand and jobs easy to get. During this time Bobo was a top machinist and knew all the answers. He had several opportunities to go where the grass looked greener, but was smart enough to stay where he had a good anchor.

About 1925, there was room for a full-time inspector, and no one was better equipped for the job than this fellow. From this one man has grown our plant Inspection Department as it is today, but always with the same chief.

We weathered the depression years with little or no progress. Later came World War II and of course we were in the manufacturing of machines for war one hundred percent. Looking back, we are convinced that without Bobo's guiding hand, his know-how, and his personal influence and loyalty, we would never have made the meritorious progress with the gun carriage and ship drives that we did. This boy put in many hours of mental and physical work that didn't show on the books. Now, he says he has had enough, and retired April 1, 1962, after 45 years and three and a half months.

We will continue our course without him, but there will never be another "Bobo."

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A sad-faced man came into a flower shop early one morning. The clerk was ready to take his order for a funeral piece, but he guessed wrong. The customer wanted a basket of flowers sent to his wife for their anniversary. "And what day will that be?" the clerk asked.

Glumly the man replied, "Yesterday!"

You probably know that one definition of a small town is that it is a place where everyone already knows everything, and they take the local paper just to see how much the editor dares to print.

The new hired hand was sleeping soundly when the farmer awakened him at 4 in the morning. "Come on, get up," he called. "We're going to cut oats today."

"Are they wild oats?" asked the sleepy helper.

"Of course not," replied the farmer. "Then why do we have to sneak up on them in the dark?"

When grandma used to tell you how many pints or quarts she put away, you knew she meant jellies.

Voter: "Why, I wouldn't vote for you if you were St. Peter himself."

Candidate: "If I were St. Peter, you wouldn't be in my district."

He (in a crowd at the curb, watching a parade): "Madam, will you please get off my foot?"

She: "Why don't you put your foot where it belongs!"

He: "Don't tempt me, madam!"

Among the bravest of men are editors of weekly newspapers who run a "Forty Years Ago" column and include in it names of local women.

A young engineer was proudly showing the governor his first big project, a three million dollar dam. The governor stared in amazement and then exclaimed, "Heavens, the water... it's supposed to be on the other side!"

On his way to his shop with a grandfather clock in need of repair, a jeweler bumped a shopper and knocked several bundles from her arms.

Irate, she bellowed, "Why can't you be like other people and wear a wrist watch?"

Mother: "I hope you didn't ask for a second piece of cake at the party."

Bobby: "Oh, no. I only asked Mrs. Smith for the recipe so you could make one like it and she gave me two more pieces."

Teacher (after reading nursery rhymes): "Johnny, why did the cow jump over the moon?"

Johnny. (coming out of a day-dream): "Maybe the farmer had cold hands."

Daisy claims she's descended from a long line her mother once listened to.

A widely traveled sportsman was boring his guests with a series of long talks about his exploits. "While I was wandering through this deserted village, I spotted a leopard," he said.

"That does it," said one of his listeners. "I always knew he was a liar. Leopards come with spots on them!"

A Scoutmaster, noticing that one of his Scouts was having difficulty on his first cook-out asked if he had forgotten any essential equipment. "Yes," the boy replied, "my mother."

The wife was guiding the middle-aged man, bent at the waist, into the doctor's office.

Receptionist: "Arthritis with complications?"

Wife: "No, do-it-yourself—with concrete blocks."

She: "Will you love me when I get old?"

He: "Of course, I will love you when you... say, you aren't going to look like your mother, are you?"

"Daddy, give me a dime and I'll tell you what the ice man said to mommy today."

"O. k., here's the dime. Now, what did he say?"

"He said, 'Do you want any ice today, lady?'"

"You must have been truly embarrassed when you barged into the enclosure where the girls were taking their sunbaths."

"No, it wasn't too bad... I just spoke up and said: 'Pardon, please, but did any of you gentlemen find my glasses?'"

A man with two wives to support may not be married to both. It may be that his son got married.

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