At Ovid, Master Mechanic Al Nies and Asst. Master Mechanic Rudy Bretzke, rear, pause during their work in the mill with a rig to cut and flatten cooling elements. Nies, a GW veteran, has 38 years of service, while Bretzke has nearly 10 years.

The Ovid factory, in the northeast corner of Colorado. It is one of the later GW mills, built in 1926, and is nearly always a Pennant contender. C. E. Potter is the superintendent and Bill McGuffey is the new manager.
THE COVER
Great Western's new Pennant Plaque. It's a massive shield, cast in German silver and mounted on ebony background, depicting the GW Pennant with the American Flag, the Company insignia and the names of all Pennant winners. It was presented for the first time to Mitchell, winner of the 1956 Pennant, and will be awarded from year to year to each future winner. For further details about the Plaque, see Page 9.

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It's easy to point out the things built by a man and the jobs held by a man. And with H. L. Hartburg, they were important and influential in the success of Great Western operations. His contributions can readily be seen by his work in the construction of eight GW mills, by his help in perfecting the intricate workings of the Johnstown Sugar Refinery, by his design of a much-needed beet piling machine, by his building of the first bulk sugar bins in the industry. These things and many others he accomplished while holding the successive jobs of engineer, district engineer, district superintendent, and finally, vice president and general superintendent. What cannot be pointed out so easily, but what will be valued for years to come by the Company, he gave in the form of guidance and encouragement, honesty and sincerity, to the hundreds who worked with him and later for him. To every man in every Great Western mill, in fact. It is their turn to lead now and in the future — and they will profit from his direction — while Hart himself retires from 42 very active years of service on Oct. 1, 1957.
If anyone is particularly qualified for top executive responsibility in the Operating Department, it is probably Lloyd T. Jensen. First of all, he was reared a Great Westerner. From his youth, he and his family moved from one company town to another with his father, William, a master mechanic who served GW for 42 years. And as a high school boy, he worked summers in the mills. Not in a white collar, but in the overalls of the machine shop apprentice. And to this practical experience, he soon added a chemical engineering degree.

Going from the classroom back to the mill, he started out as an extra station man. But his background paid off in time. Within ten years he was an assistant superintendent. In another five years, after hitches in engineering and administration, he was promoted to superintendent. That was ten years ago. Then came two years of running a mill and then eight years of higher responsibility and tougher seasoning on the district staff. Now, with nearly all his life spent in living and working among Great Westerners, Lloyd moves up to the top post of vice president and general superintendent on Oct. 1, 1957.
Nine executives figure in the latest round of changes in the Operating Department; Norm Muscavitch joins the district staff, while other superintendents move to new mills and two assistants get their own factories; and, Supt. Jack Huleatt retires.

The New Faces in GW's Operating Management

The Factory Superintendents with New Assignments...
More Promotions...

- **Eleven new assignments for assistants, with five of the new ones moving up from foreman level**

- **Four advance to foremen's jobs from technician group, and one foreman becomes head-fitter**

- **Three changes in the chemical department**

**JOHN HEDDE**, chief chemist at the Johnstown MSG Plant, was promoted to assistant to the director of research and chemical control with offices in Denver. He also will fill in for Asst. General Chemist Jack Davis, who is ill.

**P. M. GRISSINGER**, chief chemist at the Johnstown Sugar Refinery, was transferred in the same job to the Johnstown MSG Plant.

**FRANK JONES**, superintendent at Brighton, was named chief chemist at the Johnstown Sugar Refinery.

**EARL BITTNER**, assistant superintendent at Mitchell, was advanced to assistant superintendent at Billings. He replaces Sabin Hooper, who becomes superintendent at Sterling.

**FLOYD MILLER**, assistant superintendent at Windsor, was transferred in the same job to Mitchell, where he replaces Bittner.

**CLYDE KEMPER**, sugar end foreman at Ovid, was promoted to assistant superintendent at Windsor. He replaces Miller.

**JACK EASTMAN**, assistant superintendent at Greeley, was promoted in the same job to the Brighton factory. He replaces Harry Wallace, who retired.

**HENRY NIEMUTH**, beet end foreman at Eaton, was promoted to assistant superintendent at Greeley. He replaces Eastman.

**LES ENWALL**, beet end foreman at Fort Morgan, was promoted to assistant superintendent at Eaton. He fills a vacancy.

**BILL ARNST**, assistant master mechanic at Fort Morgan, was promoted in the same job to the Loveland mill. He replaces the late Bob Sanders.

**JOHN SPALL**, assistant master mechanic at Bayard, was transferred in the same job to Fort Morgan. He replaces Arnst.

**LEON WITHAM**, assistant master mechanic at Lovell, was named to the same job at Bayard, where he replaces Spall.

**GENE ADAMS**, top mechanic at Scottsbluff, was promoted to assistant master mechanic at Lovell. He replaces Witham.

**MERLE FLEENOR**, head pipe-fitter at Gering, was promoted to assistant master mechanic at Mitchell. He replaces Ralph Townsend, who was transferred earlier to Billings.

**HAROLD SAXTON**, sugar boiler at Eaton, was promoted to beet end foreman at Eaton.

**GEORGE WALKER**, sugar boiler at Eaton, was promoted to sugar end foreman at Eaton.

**ADAM SINNER** of Gering was promoted from beet end foreman to head fitter.

**MELVIN UHRICH** of Gering was promoted from sugar boiler to beet end foreman.

**WILLIAM BEARD** of Billings was promoted from extra station man to pulp dryer foreman.
Mitchell’s Twin Trophies

For a job doubly-well done last year, Mitchell receives two trophies in the form of the new Pennant Plaque and the Safety Plaque at a special presentation dinner.

Trophies and tributes were presented to the Mitchell crew at a special dinner on July 31 at the Scottsbluff Country Club. As the first Great Western factory to score a grand slam in one year, Mitchell was awarded the brand new Pennant Plaque and also the Safety Plaque.

The massive Pennant Plaque, a new feature of the annual Pennant competition, was presented at the mid-summer Safety banquet because it was just completed by the manufacturer. The Plaque was conceived by the Operating Department last year in a move to provide the Pennant winners with a more formidable and lasting trophy for their accomplishments.

The Pennant Plaque is a rotating award; that is, it will be passed from one year’s Pennant winner to the next. However, each winning factory will keep the circular center-piece with its name and the GW insignia. This center-piece can be removed and will be remounted on a smaller shield for permanent display at the winning factory. Then the next winner will receive a new center-piece, along with its name engraved on the big shield.

The Pennant Plaque, as seen in the illustrations on the cover and on this page, was cast in German silver and mounted on an ebony background. The striking design includes the symbolic GW Pennant flying with the American Flag, along with the names of each Pennant winner engraved on the simulated scroll.

The Pennant Plaque was presented at the banquet by H. L. Hartburg, vice president and general superintendent, and was accepted on behalf of the Mitchell crew by Supt. Ev Lingle. Hartburg paid particular tribute to Mitchell for winning both the Pennant race and the Safety Award in one year.

GW’s vice president also took the occasion to introduce his successor, Lloyd Jensen, who spoke briefly to the Mitchell group. Jensen succeeds Hartburg on Oct. 1.

The Safety Plaque was presented to Mitchell by Bob Wherry, assistant secretary and safety director. It was accepted by Asst. Supt. Otto Nieder, who was Mitchell’s safety chairman last year. His Safety Team captains during last year were Asst. Supt. Earl Bittner and Asst. Master Mechanic Tommy Turnbull.

Mitchell won the 1956 Safety Contest with only two actual lost-time accidents. Its average perform-

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A new score was 47. Lovell, in second place, scored 48; while Longmont, in third place, had 54. Bayard was fourth with 64; and Windsor was fifth with 70.

Mitchell’s award-winning safety performance also extends well into this year’s competition. As of Aug. 1, the Mitchell men had worked without a lost-time accident for 242 days. So that period includes all of this year up to August.

This record was acknowledged by Safety Director Bob Wherry in his talk to the crew at the dinner. He said:

“It seems a little senseless for me to be making safety talks to the winning crew of the Safety Contest, especially when they are rolling now with a perfect accident record. I should either be in the audience listening to one of you experts at the mill tell me how to do the job, or be out spreading my message where it would be doing some good.”

Wherry also related how Great Western and other industries have acted to cut down and eliminate accidents on the job. First, he said, management must give its unqualified support to a safety program in the form of contests, awards and other forms of recognition.

Secondly, he said, the causes of accidents must be analyzed and corrected. Wherry emphasized that accidents result from two factors — hazardous conditions combined with careless individuals. Eliminate these two factors, he added, and you eliminate the accident.

To do that job, Wherry said, accident reports must be checked to see where accidents occur and also where they might occur. Then the hazard must be removed. If it can’t be removed, then it must be isolated or protected. And if none of these methods can be used, Wherry explained, then it should be made conspicuous with devices like signs, horns, reflectors or any other attention-catcher.

With the plant and the equipment made as safe as possible, Wherry went on, then safety must turn to the individual and guard him against physical hazards. This step involves the use of safety shoes, goggles, glasses, hoods, aprons, gloves and similar protective equipment.

The next step in safety, he said, is to provide education and to enforce rules. Both involve systematic training plus incentives for good performance.

“I think we can summarize,” Wherry said, “that when we talk safety we mean it and live it.”

Meantime, he went on, progress continues in safety. In the last 25 years, work-connected injuries have been reduced 100 percent in all industries. And at Great Western factories since 1945, the safety director said, the accident frequency has been reduced about 25 percent and the severity possibly 50 percent.

Wherry posed one final question to the award-winning Mitchell crew:

“How do we make our safety program work to obtain the desired results?” he asked. “You tell me — you are the ones who are doing it!”

The Mitchell banquet was also the occasion for Vice President H. L. Hartburg, at left in photo, to introduce his successor, Lloyd T. Jensen.

Here, Lloyd responds to the introduction while Hart acknowledges applause of Mitchell crew.

Members of Mitchell’s double-winner crew at the dinner tables at Scottsbluff Country Club. In photo at left, from left, John Schwartz, Ferd Splattstosser, Carl Case and Gordia Hamlet. In photo at right, Paul Black, Harry Wilson, Harold Lashley, Leo Sayer and Howard Hrasky.
Safety Director Bob Wherry credits Mitchell with outstanding safety job in presenting 1956 plaque to crew.

The Safety Plaque is accepted for Mitchell by Asst. Supt. Otto Nieder, factory safety chairman last year.

This kind of safety by everyone on the job, shown at right, produces this kind of recognition for everyone at the mill, below.

Above, Mitchell's safety record runs strong into this year—with 242 days logged since a lost-time accident. Vice President H. L. Hartburg points out Aug. 1 figure in congratulating Mitchell's safety leaders—from left, Asst. Supt. Glenn Vail, chairman, Foremen Carl Lorenson and Ray Hartz, team captains.

At left, Supt. Ev Lingle and Master Mechanic Curly Rawson admire the Safety Award sign firmly planted in the yard in front of Mitchell factory.
Monogerm beet seed moves ahead in work at Experiment Station

Potash—another by-product from the sugar beet

By BILL WARREN
Special Products Sales Manager

Although Great Western started to produce limited quantities of sulphate of potash at the Johnstown sugar factory more than 20 years ago, it was only when the Johnstown MSG plant commenced operation that we started to produce sizable tonnages of this material.

While we used to market only a few hundred tons of crude material, we now produce and sell between 9,000-11,000 tons of potash each year carrying a guarantee of not less than 40% K₂O. It is sold in competition with material produced by several large operators in the Carlsbad, New Mexico area.

Production of sulphate of potash in the United States is small by comparison with the tonnage of muriate of potash, since it is more expensive to produce and for most purposes muriate is satisfactory. In the southeastern tobacco growing areas, however, only sulphate of potash may be used, as application of muriate causes chlorosis (yellowing) of the tobacco leaves and an unpleasant odor when the tobacco is burned.

Most Great Western potash, therefore, is marketed in the states of Tennessee, Kentucky, Virginia, West Virginia, the Carolinas, and Georgia. It is sold for the Company by H. J. Baker & Bro., a New York firm prominent in the feed and fertilizer field, who maintain offices throughout this southeastern area, and who have represented us in the sale of all our Johnstown potash for over 25 years.

Small quantities of our potash were used last year in our beet growing territory. It has been found to improve the sugar content of beets grown in lighter, sandy soils, and was used for this purpose on some of the Brighton, Greeley, and Lovell acreage.

It has been used by Weld County potato growers to improve the color and the toughness of the potato skin. In irrigated areas where crops such as alfalfa consume fairly large amounts of potash, we will probably use more of our own material locally in future years.
How the new bulk sugar bins at Loveland rose up and up until they reached 169' 10"

PHOTOS BY PAUL M. SMITH
THE development of the Bayard factory was summed up in the Nov. 30, 1917 issue of the Bayard Transcript by R. A. Wisner, editor. He wrote: "... the town was here, the location was here, the rich district was here, but awaiting the hand that would transform the latent energy into financial activity ... The hand in this instance was The Great Western Sugar Company, and the vitalizing act was the decision made in 1916 for the building of a factory at this point."

The Bayard factory began its first Campaign on Nov. 4, 1917. At that time, in the midst of World War I, Bayard was a farm community of some 500 residents. With the coming of the sugar factory, Bayard grew eventually to its present population of 2,000.

As the early-day residents long maintained, Bayard was the logical center of one of the largest and richest agricultural regions of Nebraska. Sugar beets were grown in the Bayard area some ten years before the Bayard factory was completed. Great Western's acreage then was under the direction of A. H. Heldt, agricultural superintendent, who was a pioneer with the beet crop in the orth Platte Valley. Now in his nineties, he still lives in the Valley and his son Gus serves as a fieldman at the Bayard factory.

The Bayard factory was built against the backdrop of Chimney Rock, the famed landmark of the Oregon Trail in that area. The construction work was under the direction of R. G. (Bob) Miller. His assistants, among others, were R. H. (Chief) Myers, later a superintendent at several GW factories, and Cris Moberg, who later became assistant superintendent at Bayard.

Also on the site with the turning of the first spade of dirt was A. M. Ginn, another illustrious figure of the Valley's beet sugar industry. He was the first manager at Bayard and later served another term there.

The other supervisors during Bayard's first Campaign were F. S. Treadway, superintendent; John Westine, master mechanic; M. K. Hollowell, cashier; R. H. Myers and C. D. Towse, assistant superintendents; J. J. Shields, assistant master mechanic; and Cris Moberg, chief chemist.

The first Campaign was marked by the usual delays and frequent shut-downs because of wartime materials, new machinery, and flume boards dropping down the unique air lift for conveying beets from the flumes to the main building.

The air lift is the only one of its kind at GW mills and possibly one of only two in the world. The air forces the beets to the trash catchers after they drop 40 feet down an 18-inch pipe from the end of the flumes. The 40-foot hole itself was difficult to dig because quicksand kept filling in.

Bayard finally wound up its first Campaign by slicing 75,397 tons of beets from 7,392 harvested acres. The first beets were received from only four stations; but now, Bayard has more than a score of receiving stations in its widely-spread producing district. Likewise, beet acreage also jumped with the total rising to nearly 17,000 under contract as early as 1920.

Down through the years, Bayard suffered from accidents and storms. The first occurred even before the factory was completed. On Sept. 15, 1917, fire broke out in a temporary construction warehouse and destroyed large supplies of building materials and plant equipment.

Then there was the freak accident on Sept. 28, 1923, just a few hours after the start of Campaign. The main engine ran away and the 16-foot flywheel blew up. The mill was shut down for 12 days to repair the damage. But it would have been worse yet without the quick action of Foreman J. A. Stewart, who managed to shut off the steam on the boilers.

In 1951, Bayard was hit three times by damaging winds. On Memorial Day, the factory was crippled by a tornado. It tore up the seed warehouse, part of the sugar warehouse, the roof of the tare house and the main building, and littered the yard with wreckage. Damage was also widespread in the town.

Then on June 25, huge hail stones and high winds pounded the factory structures. Hardy a west window was left in home, store and sugar factory. Almost 4,000 windows were shattered at the mill alone. Again, on Sept. 2, another hail and wind storm battered rooftops and windows and also severely damaged all crops in the fields.

Among factory improvements, the piping to and from the pans was changed and the hi-raw system of boiling sugar was installed in 1926. The old high-line was torn down and replaced with a modern wet hopper in 1944. The Dorr thickener and industrial filters were installed in 1948, and the old generator was replaced with a turbine in 1951.

Bayard has had only three superintendents and three managers in its history. F. S. Treadway was followed as superintendent in 1920 by R. F. Bristol, who remained until 1950. Bristol was succeeded by B. F. (Jack) Hostetter, the present superintendent. A. M. Ginn was manager until 1920, followed by C. B. Turner until 1927, when Ginn returned and remained until 1950. He was then succeeded by L. H. Henderson, the present manager. The other supervisors now at Bayard are C. W. Hines, master mechanic; Stew Foster, chief chemist; and A. C. (Scotty) Hamilton, cashier.

—From the Bayard Factory History
By A. C. Hamilton and Jack Elliott
Timekeeper Paul Holmes, left, on his last day of work at Brighton with Cashier Del Sigwing. Paul retired in August after 24 years with Great Western. He started at Eaton.

Safety Team Captains Gerald Childers, left, and Scotty Kallsen admire the cake for Brighton's Safety Contest noon barbecue. It's inscribed, "To the Winners."

Brighton's new timekeeper, Bill Miles, poses in the office with Wynona Roth, clerk. Bill was previously assistant timekeeper at Longmont, while Wynona started work a year ago.

Two views of the Brighton employees enjoying the Safety Contest hamburger barbecue on the front lawn. Scotty Kallsen's team entertained Gerald Childers' squad, who won the Brighton safety competition. The lunch was a big success.

BRIGHTON BRIEFS

Around the mill at Brighton for a look at personnel changes and safety activities.
Johnstown's Assistants

Beginning, a new feature, the introduction
of the assistant superintendents and assistant
master mechanics at Great Western factories.
Here are the seven at Johnstown Sugar Refinery.

A. J. (TOMMY) THOMAS
Assistant Superintendent

H. A. (HANK) WOLF
Assistant Superintendent

BILL TREGONING
Assistant Superintendent

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TED GROTT
Assistant Master Mechanic

JIM TEAL
Assistant Master Mechanic

RAY HOUSE
Assistant Master Mechanic
Chief Engineer Charlie Hirsch, extreme left, with four engineers who have completed 10 years of service. From left, they are John Wilson, John Stark, Tony Fiasco, and Nick Watson.

R. V. Stanton, center, superintendent of Denver central warehouse, receives 10-year pin from Purchasing Manager Carl Roberts, left, and Asst. Manager Jack Frost, right.

July marked 40 years of service for Chris Lohry, left, mechanic at Windsor’s Company farm. Here he’s with Manager Bill McCarty.

At Brighton, Kenny Bishop, left, receives his five-year GW pin from Manager Gordon English.

At Fort Morgan, Supt. Mart Schmide, center, with Bob Weisgerber, left, who got a ten-year pin, and Ray Yost, who got a five-year pin.

At left, at the Experiment Station picnic, Dr. Harvey Brewbaker presents a Great Westerner pin with three stars for 15 years of service to Alex Diesing, at right. The Station personnel look on at rear.

At Greeley, Manager John Edmiston shakes hands with Dump Foreman Henry Sedar, left, a 35-year man, and Dan Bernhardt, a 15-year man.

MILE-STARS
Great Western Weddings

David Cooper, son of Mrs. Dorothy Cooper, steno at Mitchell, with his bride, the former Miss Sandra Miller. They were married in June in Torrington.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Flom at their June wedding. She's the former Janice Belden, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert O. Belden of Loveland. The Floms now live in Rhode Island.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewayne Burgdoff, who were married in June. He's working in the sugar warehouse at Loveland this summer and she's the former Sherrl George, daughter of Mrs. Leatha George of Loveland.

Clara Belle Goodrich, formerly of the Steno Pool at the General Office, with her bridegroom, Joseph Platt of Casper, Wyo. They were married in June in Casper, where they will make their home. The wedding was attended by three members of the Steno Pool—Inez Lee, Helen Grunwald, and Dorothy Lombard, who was matron of honor.
In a maze of floodlights, scaffolding and overhead camera, Publicity Manager Tom Ferril works out lighting arrangements to shoot this month’s cover photo of the big Pennant shield on the floor of the General Office basement “studio.”

At Eaton, Steno Doris Smith receives a $25 check from Manager John Edmiston as her award for her suggestion to revise growers statements with additional carbon copies to eliminate duplicate typing.

Three members of the GW Engineering staff in the drafting room at the General Office. From left, Dan Conwell, traveling engineer for Northern Colorado; George Walters, agricultural engineer; and Tom Kinney, packaging engineer.

**HENRY J. MILLER**

Death has taken Henry J. Miller, who was Great Western Sugar’s first purchasing manager. Mr. Miller died on July 23 while traveling with his granddaughter and her husband in Mexico. He was 86 years old. Mr. Miller started with the Company in August, 1907—exactly 50 years ago—and came to the Denver office in 1908. He was first at Sterling, where he helped with the assembling of the factory from Saginaw, Mich. He had accompanied the parts from Michigan. At the General Office, he set up the centralized Purchasing Department and continued as its manager until his retirement in 1945. Mr. Miller was one of the founders of the Denver Purchasing Agents Association. For many years he and his wife Anna lived at 645 Emerson Street in Denver. She died in 1951. Mr. Miller’s long and wide association with the industry earned him the very appropriate nickname of “Sugar.”

Roy Babbitt, chief chemist at Scottsbluff, was honored with election as 92nd grand master of Masons of Nebraska at the 100th annual communication of the Grand Lodge in June. He’s a member and past master of Minatare Lodge No. 295. At the same time Charles H. Ninegar, retired chief chemist at Bayard, was reappointed grand tyler for his third straight year.

**Among the Personnel**
Douglas Asay, third son of the Joe Asays, was graduated from Salt Lake Business College this spring with a degree in Business Administration. Douglas has attended classes during the day and worked a 4-12 shift while going to school. He, his wife and family have lived in Salt Lake City for the past four years.

The Jim Gonyous of Powell enjoyed a week's visit with Jim's parents, Supt. and Mrs. Ed Gonyou, who came from Loveland to spend the Fourth of July with them.

It is always a pleasure to report the progress of our young boys and girls in their trek through school. We now have good news to tell you about Larry Godfrey, who finished his freshman year this spring at the University of Wyoming. Larry was awarded a $400 undergraduate scholarship in the University of Wyoming American Studies program for 1957. This scholarship is made possible by a gift of the late William Robertson Coe of Cody. Congratulations, Larry, we know you earned this honor.

Then on the other side of the ledger we always are a little low in spirit when we tell you of a disaster such as happened to Paul and Ruth Sutton. A gas leak caused an explosion which wrecked and burned their trailer home, they recently had moved to a lot in the south part of Lovell, where they expected to build a new home. They are not too sure just what happened to cause the fire as they were away for a short time and when they returned the place had burned. Perhaps they and the three children were lucky to have been out of the trailer house when the catastrophe happened. Now a new house is in the planning stages for Paul and Ruth.

The main office has had a new coat of paint as well as the woodwork being varnished. Looks pretty nifty in the new look.

The welcome mat is out to Mr. and Mrs. William Nelson. Bill, who was recently discharged from the Air Force, has joined the Lovell GW crew in the Agricultural department. He and Mrs. Nelson are making their home in the country three miles east of Lovell.

Not many of the men have had vacations as yet. July and August are not too moniter to be away from work up this way.

Merle Fleenor of Gering and Harry Swanson from Bayard are about ready to journey homeward after having spent the summer in Lovell on the new first carbonation installation.

Mrs. Dan Schmidt of Eaton has returned home after being in Lovell several days with her mother who has been ill. Mrs. Moncur is much improved.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Hagman have traded their Buick for a really neat looking 1954 Oldsmobile.

Frank Kosa, our houseman, had a very pleasant surprise when his nephew and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Lumir Kubik, dropped in to visit him on their way to Yellowstone Park. It was the first time they'd seen each other for about six years. Mr. and Mrs. Kubik reside in Omaha, Nebr.

Mr. Jean Swanson and children, of Denver, visited with Ted and Helen Larson over the Fourth of July weekend.

Harold and Jean Townsend had as overnight guests Mr. and Mrs. Whitehead and son, Gary, of Pueblo. Mrs. Whitehead is Jean's sister.

Crushworth R. Cruzer, of Dubois, enjoyed a regular reunion with his children in July. His daughters, Mildred Coburn and Vera Murphy and their children, and his son Bill and family were all here to greet another son, Bobby, upon his return from a four year tour of duty with the Navy.

Mrs. Isabelle Thomas, daughter of Min Foreman and Mrs. M. D. Van Zee, was guest of honor at a bridal shower given June 14th by Lillian Anderson, Naomi Lopez, Betty Hays and Mary Cassel. A very gala evening was enjoyed by a great many friends and relatives.

Blas Leroux is back to work again after spending some time in a hospital, recuperating from injuries suffered when he upset his car.

Bob Larson and Ronnie Preston, both rank of Staff Sergeant C/S in the Army, arrived home on leave from Ft. Hood, Texas, July 14. Bob is the son of Supt. and Mrs. J. C. Larson, and Ronnie is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Preston.

Local Union No. 344 sponsored a Fourth of July picnic, with free lunch for all, and numerous games and a large gathering it was, with lots of fun for everyone, and no serious casualties. Naomi Lopez managed to turn an ankle painfully, and several sunburns were acquired — some of the balding heads around here glowed like searchlights for a few days, but apparently no permanent damage was done.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Tourville attended the funeral of Mr. Tourville's brother, Patrick O'Hara, who passed away in a Denver hospital, June 15th, after having suffered a stroke a few days previously. Services were held in both Denver and Salida. We extend our deepest sympathy.

We also wish to offer sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. B. Bartley. Mr. Bartley's brother-in-law passed away in June, and the Bartleys drove to Iowa to attend the funeral. Then, July 10th, Mrs. Bartley received word of the death of her grandfather in Sidney, Nebr. She attended the funeral on July 12th.

BY JOHN HENDRICKS
AND DARWIN BLISS

Vacations seem to be the big news here in Fremont. George Kish spent his time in Wisconsin and the thumb area of Michigan, while Art Scherf reported seeing many deer and elk around Mackinaw City and the straits area in Michigan.

Charles J. Dyke and family motored to his old home territory in Colorado, and included some fishing in Wyoming. Alfred Schmidt and Clifford Dickman fished and worked on their respective cottages on Sandusky Bay.

Mildred Koch visited in Connecticu. Those spending their time around home, catching up on repairs, painting and other odds and ends, were Mildred Kinney, George Peck, Sherri Moses, Gid Billow and Bill Swint.

The NOSCO Social Club met June 23 at Meadowbrook Park with the Howard Hauberts and the Al Waggers as co-chairmen for the picnic, all played by young and old alike, and all the children received prizes.

Our new superintendent, Jack Powell, his wife, Betty, and daughters, Peggy and Debbie, were there along with our former superintendent, Don Richter and family.

The business meeting was conducted by Frank Begley, who appointed Fieldmen Ken Clark, Floyd Brown and Vic Niehuis as co-chairmen for the next picnic to be held July 28.

The new name of our social club was suggested by the John Homans and the Gordon Rudolphs. We want to remind the fellows and their wives that don't belong, that the membership is open to all vacation-rated employees.

We'd like to welcome back a few familiar campaign faces. C. B. Hoffman is helping Dick Jorgensen at the main electrical switchboard, while Clyde Booze is working in the dryer, and Ernesto Lozano is helping replace the kiln. New employees include Tom Smith and R. E. Halbisen.

BY BESSIE ROSS

BY LOIS E. LANG
Departures include Ivan Smith, former dryer foreman, who is now with the Sandusky County Highway Department. Sure sorry to see you go, Ivan! Don Richter, former superintendent, left to operate the Tank Division, Chemi-Trol Chemical Company. With Don at the helm, that business will boom! The employees presented Don Richter with a G. E. Automatic Coffee Maker inscribed “Good Luck, Fremont Sugar Tramps, 6/21/57.” Management officials here at the Northern Ohio plants, who were formerly with Great Western, gave Don a desk set. It was presented by Supt. Jack Powell. As a parting remark, Don told the boys that if everyone gives Jack the cooperation they have given him here at Fremont, that Jack will be proud to be superintendent and bound to be successful.

Field Department notes included news of the retirement of Lyle Gardner, who started out seven years ago as an assistant to Charles Schroeder. John Gurtzweiler is giving a lot of spark to the 4H Clubs in the Ferrysburg area, especially those who have bees for their project.

**General Office**

**Steno Pool**

**BY HELEN GRUNWALD AND RUBY BRINKMAN**

There have been some changes made in the Sixth Floor Steno Pool this year. Clara Belle Goodrich, who has been the Department Head for nearly seven years, became the bride of Joseph Platt of Casper, Wyoming, June 2. They are making their home in Casper. Dorothy Lombard was her matron of honor, and Inez Lee and Helen Grunwald attended the wedding, which was held at the First Methodist Church of Casper. She is very much missed by all of us, but we all wish her a long and happy life in her new home.

Dorothy Lombard has moved up to Clara Belle’s chair, and since she was C.B.’s assistant for many years, she is doing very nicely up there.

To take Dorothy’s place, we welcome Ruby Brinkman, who has been stenographer at our Bayard factory for six years. Ruby is a native of Bayard, but she is learning to like Dever, and is looking forward to seeing the mountains at closer range than she has been able to do so far. All the personnel at Bayard hated to lose Ruby. They had a lawn party in her honor on the factory grounds June 7 and presented her with two pieces of matched Samsonite luggage, and sent her to us with all good wishes.

Helen Grunwald took her vacation the last two weeks of June, and just stayed at home and rested.

Inez Lee is looking forward to a trip by plane to California next month and is busy making plans for the trip.

Marian Despres is on the sick list. She went into the hospital for tests and treatment July 16. The doctor assures her that after a few weeks rest she will be in good health again. Another new member of the “pool” this year is Petty McGrady, whose home is in Wallace, Idaho. She came to us from Parks Business School, and she is a decorative and efficient addition to our number.

**Eaton**

**BY HAROLD SAXTON**

We know that each employee should be acquainted with the Great Western Suggestion Plan and the only way to find out if your ideas are worth anything is to send them to Denver for consideration.

Congratulations to Doris Smith for her $25 award-won by suggestion. It is a fine start for the Eaton Factory and we hope many will follow her example.

Our new master mechanic, Dan Schmidt, has become very well acquainted with his men by now. We know it is a task that few men would have accomplished in such a short time.

Ellis Miller, Wes Engel and Henry Neinmuth have finished a section of our Elmico covers. The covers have the appearance of a quonset hut, so place your order with Ellis if you need a new machine shed or garage. All kidding aside, the job was very neatly done.

It shouldn’t be long until our Dorr thickener tank is finished. Everything is completed except the welding and painting. We have two men welding on them. In twelve shift in order to finish, they are Dave Berens and Henry Hettinger.

Our sincere sympathies to Fred Ranz upon the death of his son-in-law, Alvin Uhrich. Mr. Uhrich was married to Fred’s oldest daughter, Gloria. He passed away July 14 on his farm, two and one half miles west of Eaton.

Mr. and Mrs. Pryor, spent two weeks in Highlands, Texas visiting their daughter, Wanda. One exciting part of the trip was being so close to the hurricane that took so many lives.

We understand that Cashier Don Cross has taken up golfing. It seems that years ago Don used to knock the ball around some, so it shouldn’t take to much practice to put him back in shape. Time will tell.

As a result of all the changes being made this year, there will be a great deal of painting to be done. Painting of the new equipment will probably be done by our two most efficient painters, George Walker and Charles Siniden.

**Greeley**

**BY MARY VORIS**

Vacations are, of course, the order of the day so here we go.

Cashier Gerald Kisler and Katherine have returned after a camping tour of the southwest, including Grand Canyon, Hoover Dam, Las Vegas, Zion and Bryce National Parks and then to their home in Estes Park. Since that time they have moved and are partially settled in their new home.

Mrs. John D. Edmiston and daughter Kathie left Japan July 22 to arrive home a week earlier than originally planned.

Out at the mill, Evaporator Man LeRoy Stelmiller has returned from his two weeks vacation after having spent part of the time in Gould, with his family. Fishing. Beet End Foreman Don White took his family and went to Chambers Lake fishing after recovering from surgery earlier in the month.

Other Chambers Lake visitors were Sugar End Foreman W. L. “Tub” Brumley and Warehouse Foreman O. C. “Pete” Brumley over the Fourth of July weekend. Sugar End Foreman H. L. “Les” Hibler has made his annual sojourn to Pinedale and also fished Lake DeSmit in Wyoming. The stories are all good, but no pictures or fish to back them up have been seen.

Beet End Foreman Charles Lutes, Jr., has also taken his vacation, but did not go fishing. He and his wife A recent high school graduate, Gene Lutes, son of Beet End Foreman and Mrs. Charles Lutes, Jr., of Greeley, plans to enroll at Colorado State University.
Ellsworth has been employed as an equipment operator for the summer. Robert Jesser and Carroll Nickle have been doing a lot of work all over the district with their equipment.

Chief Chemists Marvin Pettigrew of Greeley and Russell Smith of Eaton, with their able assistants, Claude Mains, have completed the testing of the Company's cameras sugar.

Windsor

BY PAUL P. BROWN

Three of our local golf enthusiasts, Irvin Bressler, Carl Hurich and Charles Chipman, attended the Great Western Golf Tournament at Fort Morgan on June 15 and 16. Although none of them came home with loving cups, they all agreed that they had a grand time and enjoyed themselves greatly.

Congratulations to Electrician Lyle R. Schuyler, who was presented his five-year Great Westerner service pin by the superintendent on July 14. Lyle came to us from the Brighton factory in 1955.

A d e d e d congratulations to Chris Lobry, mechanic at the Company Windsor Farm, who completed 40 years of service with the Company on July 5 and was presented with his 8-star service pin by Manager W. C. McCarty. Chris has spent the entire 40 years on the Farm and needless to say has seen many changes in farming operations in that time.

Lyle Schuyler and family vacationed in Carrolton, Mo., v i s i t i n g Mrs. Schuyler's relatives. Lyle reports the weather was on the damp side while there and so missed that famous Missouri heat. They particularly enjoyed the drive over the new Kansas City-Wichita turnpike on the return trip home.

Supt. Oliver Swaney spent some time recently doing maintenance work on his residence property in Fort Collins. He says that's taking your vacation the hard way.

The George Wilders visited two daughters and families in Arizona before it really warmed up. One daughter, Mrs. Betty Folden and family reside at Tucson, and the other, Mrs. Katherine Lind and family, are located at Globe. The Wilders brought back a couple of grandchildren on the return trip.

Phillip Scheller and family motored to Southern California via Sal Lake City and Reno to visit relatives in the San Fernando Valley. The return trip was by way of Phoenix and Santa Fe. Phil reports a wonderful trip even though they did get "misplaced" now and then trying to figure out those freeways.

Our deepest sympathy is extended to William Rutz, Mike Rutz and Alex and Bob Fritzler, and families, in the recent death of their stepmother and mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Rutz, of Windsor. Mrs. Rutz, who was 80 years old, had resided in the Windsor community since 1912.

Sympathies are also extended to Ass't. Supt. Ed McKim and family in the recent death of Ed's mother, Mrs. Hiram McKim, at Wilberton, Okla.

The Valdo Hemmerles vacationed in Sidney, Nebr., and Sedgwick, Colo., visiting relatives. Valdo also reports good luck in trout fishing on the Poudre.

Timekeeper and Mrs. Royal Jewkes became grandparents for the sixth time on June 16 when Steven Royal Snow made his initial appearance at Dragerton, Utah. Mrs. Snow is the former Ann Jewkes. Husband Stewart is a mining engineer employed by the United States Steel Corp. at Dragerton.

Operation Main Lab Overhaul is heavily under way at this time and Chief Chemist John Farlow is one busy individual, believe me. John will have a lab that he and the whole factory can be proud of and compliments have already been received on the fine work being done.

Loveland

BY BOB LOHR

As of this writing the M & A Construction Company is busily engaged in pouring the walls for Loveland's sugar bins. Ready-Mix trucks started into the yard about 9:30 A.M., July 15 and by noon the slip forms had been elevated one foot. Quite a large crew of carpenters, cement finishers, iron workers, and laborers are on the job for M & A. Factory crew inspectors are constantly checking progress details of this project.

The vacation season is in full swing again. Carl Nieder turned over the bin construction reins to John Price and drove back to Illinois to visit his son and family. Carl stopped by the office briefly upon his return from the east, then proceeded to Albuquerque and San Francisco.

Sadie and Don Krouskop journeyed into Wyoming's Snowy Range. Supt. Ed Gonyou also spent a few days in Wyoming with son Jim and family.

Here is Joe P. Weddell, storekeeper at Loveland.
Freddy Lebsack caught all the fish in North Park's Michigan River.

Mid-afternoon nuptials June 16 united in marriage Miss Janice Belden, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Belden, and Gary J. Flom, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Flom of Denver. The Reverend Talmage Pace read the double rites before fifty guests in the Belden home. Following their honeymoon trip to Yellowstone Park, the couple will reside at West Warwick, R.I., where he is stationed with the Navy.

The Church of Christ was the scene June 9 of Miss Sherri George's marriage to Dewayne Burgdorff of Loveland. Reverend J. B. Harrington performed the ceremony in the presence of friends and relatives. Sherri is the daughter of Mrs. Leatha George and Bud is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Burgdorff of our city. Bud is working in the sugar warehouse this summer and will begin his final year at C.S.U. this fall, thence to the coaching profession.

Asst. Supt. Bob Gookins suffered a painful cut to his right index finger in a shop accident. Several stitches were required to close the wound though no bones were broken.

Reuben Klein plans a vacation trip to Clovis, New Mexico, in July. Your associate editor plans a cool dip in Lake Loveland in about 30 minutes.

Longmont

BY RALPH PRICE

The personnel of the Longmont factory were very much grieved in losing one of its long time members. Norbert M. Cimillo passed away July 12 following a short illness.

Norbert's continuous service with Great Western began on September 1, 1920. He served the full 27 years as beet end foreman in the Longmont factory. Funeral services were held July 15. Burial was at Mountain View cemetery, Longmont.

Norbert's fellow workers wish to extend their deepest sympathy to his wife and other members of the family. As usual, the Agricultural force of the Longmont factory breathed a deep sigh of relief at the departure of the last group of Mexican Nationals for the border. Cashier Clarence Nast also suffered a short time away from the big job of posting payrolls. Elsie Maier and Mary Florea assisted the Cashier in the payroll job. The gals were handling a fair grade of Spanish by the time the season was over.

Manager Lee Butler has about the best command of Spanish of all the Longmont group and came in mighty handy when it came to convincing the Nationals that the money was all there. Fieldermen Roy Drage, William Krueger and Robert Bever came very near being shipped out themselves, due to the deep tan they acquired during the thinning season.

All of us in Longmont extend our best wishes to Lee Butler and family upon the transfer of Lee to Greeley as manager. We welcome J. V. (Vic) Ostermiller to Longmont as our new manager.

Special notice to the single ladies of Brighton. William (Bill) Miles, our office clerk, has been transferred to the Brighton factory where he will serve as timekeeper. Bill Miles, alias Rag-top Willie, drives a firewagon red Ford convertible and is a young man of single status. We are sorry to lose you, Willie, and the best of luck.

Conrad Gomer, office janitor for the past five years, has retired. Ed Kline has taken over Con's duties.

Joe Hastings has left Great Western after serving as bollerhouse foreman of the Longmont plant for the past 10 years. He is now employed at Rocky Flats.

Asst. Master Mechanic Benford Whiteside received a 20-year service pin recently. Whittle also became a grandparent a year and a half ago.

We have a new assistant storekeeper in Gordon Randall, who will give Jim Washington a hand with the nuts and bolts.

The wife of Warehouse Foreman Iven Smith was a patient in the Longmont hospital over a recent period of illness. The wife of Timekeeper Frank Wilson has also been a patient in the Longmont hospital for the past seven weeks.

Supt. Jack McDonald and wife recently returned from a vacation trip of 5800 miles. They report a wonderful trip through the Pacific Northwest including Vancouver Island and British Columbia. From there they drove down the coast to Los Angeles, California where they spent a week visiting their daughter. Jack has some beautiful slides showing the beauty spots visited.

The Experiment Station personnel and their families pose for a picture after their picnic luncheon held at Dr. Brewbaker's ranch recently.

The arrival of real summer weather brings thoughts of picnics, vacations, fishing and the like. And what a wonderful day June 30 was when the Experiment Station personnel had their yearly picnic.

The setting was perfect—at the H.E. Brewbaker's ranch southwest of Longmont. We had the complete atmosphere of a mountain picnic—the trees, the mountain stream, the campfire, and yes, even the mosquitoes!

Food, food and more food—there was plenty of it, including hamburgers and hot dogs with fixin's—mustard, ketchup and onion. You're really high style that way! Some of the fellows played horseshoes and the remainder played a game of "big league" baseball.

Sorry to say there were a lot of complaints of sore and stiff muscles.
Brighton

BY DICK RIDDELL

We are glad to report that Manager Gordon English is now back with us after quite a trip coming from his recent operation. He says his legs still feel like they are made of rubber but that he feels as though he is progressing nicely after getting the problem licked.

The pulp end of the mill is already in full swing here starting July 8. Seems as though the feeders liked the pellets so much better that there is a crew working from 4 p.m. to 12 midnight, emptying sack pulp and producing pulp.

Sugar End Foreman Homer Osborne, was recently presented his 30 year service pin. Sorry we don’t have a picture of him but he is a little on the bashful side. He started to work for GW at Greeley during one campaign, liked the work so well that he took a steady job with the company at Johnstown. He was there for 15 years and the last 15 years has been here at Brighton.

Kenny Bishop, dump crew repairman, was awarded his 5 year service pin by Manager Gordon English. Our congratulations to both Homer and Kenny.

Maintenance crew of the mill composed of Hetner, Overstate, Kranitz, and Hoedman and others, are busy installing a sewer line to the lime settling pond located across the highway.

More new car news—Assistant Manager Leonard Johnson is sporting a new blue 1957 V-8 Ford to carry on his Company Car. Also, another Ford owner is Fieldman Murray Silvernale. He is now classified as a “turncoat”, however, due to the fact that he has been behind the wheel of a Chevy for the past ten years. His car is a two tone green and white. If anyone is interested in the performance of said car contact Reynolds or Riddell.

Another proud owner of another Ford, but this one is a pickup, is Bill Gray, assistant fieldman to Harry Melrose, assistant superintendent. However, we hadn’t been seeing it the past month but upon further investigation we found out he is hiding it behind the sugar bins. Watts matter, Harry, aren’t you proud of the car?

Carl Laft, fieldman in charge of operations at Burlington, Colorado, states that the crop is looking fine at the present time. They haven’t had ideal conditions there as the wind seems to like that country and he also relates that one field has been hailed seven times. This week Harold Wagy and a few dump crew members, Chris and John Weber, and Jesse Bernard, are all down at Burlington installing a receiving station for that area.

Recent visitors at the plant have been Mrs. Jean Timken, former clerk in the office and now a resident of Oklahoma City. Mighty nice to see your smiling face, Jean.

Jack Maynard and Bob Kinsley of the Special Products Division went to Denver and looked over the pelleting operations.

Vacations reported to date are as follows:

Assistant Superintendent Dean Overseck took off a few days to do some fishing but wouldn’t reveal the results of the trip.

Assistant Master Mechanic Harvey Linstrom spent his vacation at his cabin located at Glen Haven. He reported fishing was good.

Sugar Boiler Bus Schuyler took a trip to Caribbad, N. M. and then went to Eagle, Colo., for a few days of fishing.

Supt. Frank Jones’ house has been buzzing with activity recently due to his family visiting. Mrs. Jones, Here were the Dick Halleys, son-in-law and daughter and their family of three boys from Sturgis, S. Dak., and also the Charles Clark’s of Wichita, Kans.

Otto Zummach, mechanic, has been on loan to the Labor Department at Fort Lupton Labor Camp to help keep the buses in running condition to transport the Mexican Nationals back to their hacienda.

Storekeeper Jim Twombly and Mrs. Twombly took a trip to Kansas for the 4th of July weekend.

Lou Sigwalt, Max Holmes, Irene Durland, and “Nonie” Roth, and the entire Ag staff are finally giving a sign of relief now that they have finished something out 537 miles.

At Ward, custodian, has been busy in the flower beds keeping them clean and pretty.

A very festive occasion culminated the Safety Contest when Scott Carlisen’s team entertained the winning side or Gerald Childers’ team with a performance of some old songs and a song and dance routine.
hamburger barbecue at noon, June 20, on the front lawn. Everyone agreed that the meal was a great success and wanted another one soon.

Bill Todd has finally decided, since his last fishing trip, that he is a better grass cutter than he is a fisherman.

That seems to be the size of the situation here at Brighton.

I wish to thank Alice Richardson and Irene Durland and the many others who are ready and willing to help furnish information for this column. Any other contributors will be very welcome.

Sheridan over the Big Horns and all reported a wonderful and very successful trip—that is, all returning with their limit. Dave was camp cook and the fellows say a good one too.

On one of their fishing days, Al was going to be a good guy and take some of their fish back to the car. In doing so, it seems he had a hole in his fishing basket and on the way lost all the fish. After he discovered what had happened, he decided to make restitution by taking each of them a nice cold bottle of "pop"—on this venture, he slipped and fell breaking the bottles and this is the end of the story.

Chuck Hefner spent his vacation in California visiting his son. Jesse Evans and family motored to North Park over the 4th of July holiday. Their son had been visiting there and returned with them. The Bill Giles motored to California for three weeks.

Dick, Lois and Paul Smladstrup spent a week in Canon City, the Royal Gorge and Colorado Springs. Gwen Bath and son, James, Coast for ten days visiting one sister in San Francisco and two other sisters in Santa Ana.

Carol Roberty and children have been visiting with her family in Pueblo the past few weeks. Mickey should be a pretty good cook by the time she returns.

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Sterling

BY RUBY REICHERT

A new irrigation type well has been installed south of the Sterling factory building. This will be used to supplement our water supply during campaign in case of a water shortage.

Work is progressing rapidly on the new limerock installation. Other large jobs nearing completion include a new battery supply tank and renewal of wearing strips on the slicer drums.

Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Edwards were recent visitors in Sterling and stopped in at the factory to say hello to some of their old friends.

The Keith Ross family of Findlay, Ohio, vacationed in Sterling, and Keith spent a few days at the factory learning the art of belt repair from Brian Bunde.

We wish to extend our deepest sympathy to Guy Gillespie in the loss of his father-in-law, Mr. D. A. Bender. Mr. Bender homesteaded southwest of Cope in the 1890's and spent most of his 92 years in Colorado.

The M. V. Huleatts have purchased their son's residence in Phoenix, Arizona, and the Ray Browns have purchased a home in Fort Collins, which they are renting. The Albert Artzers recently moved into their newly purchased home at 409 Jackson St. in Sterling.

J. C. Patten spent his vacation putting in a new water system on his farm. Adolph Doleshall tried his luck at carpentering and added a new room to his house. Glenn Armstrong spent a week painting his house, but hopes to spend his other week in the mountains.

Ruby Reichert and son Tommy spent a week in Tucson, Arizona, visiting relatives.

Jerry Evans, son of the Jesse Evans of Fort Morgan, proudly displays his recent catch. Fish—not corn cob!
Some of the wiser vacationers are “taking to the hills.” The Keith Matte-son family enjoyed a cool and restful vacation in Fort Collins and the moun-tains. Mrs. Brian Rundle spent a week with her sister in Estes Park. The Chuck Lautenbachs and L.B. Garners also vacationed in the mountains.

Mr. and Mrs. I.E. Ball of Manhattan Beach, Calif., visited a few days with their son, R.W. Ball and family, then went on to Hastings, Nebr., to visit other relatives. Robert and family joined them later in Hastings and they all attended a big family reunion in Lincoln.

Ivan Albright spent a few days fishing in Ogalalla, Nebraska.

Jimmy Walters, son of former Master Mechanic George Walters, was a recent visitor at the Sterling factory.

The Leland Groves vacation in California and Arizona. They enjoyed a nice visit with their son in Globe, Arizona.

**Ovid**

**BY G. N. CANNADY**

Mr. and Mrs. Al Nies vacationed in Denver and the mountains. No big fish story from Al, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hays are visiting relatives and spoiling their grandchild. The Herman Bauer family vacationed in Denver a week. They planned to be gone two weeks but Stub says the wife went on a buying spree.

Aest. Master Mechanic and Mrs. R.C. Bretzke were at Lake Charles, La., visiting relatives when hurricane Audrey was on the rampage. They report it was quite an experience. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Foss and Dwayne returned from southern California. Charley was a delegate to the Western Conference of Teamsters Convention at San Diego.

Now a list of the fellows not lucky enough to be on vacation and working in the hot weather are:

Supt. C.E. Potter, overseeing sugar loading plus factory maintenance.


Aest. Master Mechanic Rudy Bretzke and Phil Mollendor are overhauling the beet elevator. Chief Chemist Carroll Culver is refinishig lab benches.

Head Pipefitter “Slim” Reed, along with Charles Foss, Nick Bretz, “Red” Saiser, “Skeet” Williamson are installing Ovid auto evaps along with general P.V. & F. repair.

Asst. Supt. Jack Peyrouse and Lawrence Williamson have been plenty busy with sugar orders. Boiler House Foreman Jim Stokes, Pete Schmidtline and Ed Schafer are ruling lime kiln.

Herb McQueen and Lloyd Graham have finished shingling the pulp warehouse roof and are now running cement floor in pulp warehouse.

Gene DeManche and Maynard Lambman are installing stainless steel dryer drum bottoms. Chief Electrician Alvin Albrecht and Elmo Knight are working over the light & power lines. Now that the Nationals are gone, Fieldmen Jim Rinn and Bob Abrams are out of work.

It was nice to have the Doc Van Dyke and Vernon Zimmerman families from Ohio pay us a visit recently.

We regret losing Manager LaMar Henry and family but we wish him the best of luck in his new position. They will be missed in all community activities. We have our welcome mat open for Mr. and Mrs. Bill McGuffey and family and hope they find living in Ovid enjoyable.

**Scottsbluff**

**BY P. W. SNYDER**

Where is the cool, rainy weather we were all talking about in May and June? It’s sure hot and dry now. Main occupation of everyone is trying to keep lawns watered and growing.

A lot of people took part or all of the week in which the Fourth fell as vacation.

The Harry Hoods have returned from a three-week trip to Jacksonville, Florida, where they visited their daughter, Shirley and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Marcellus. They report Florida as a wonderful place in which to vacation.

The Shandera family are vacationing in California, visiting relatives and sight-seeing.

Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Temple spent a week fishing at a lake near Hot Springs, S. Dak., they had very good luck.

Just a Sraedler’s trip is still in the talking stage. He and Mrs. Sraedler will visit their son, LeRoy, in Denver when the Bears return for their next four-game series on the home field.

Harry Floth and family spent a week visiting Yellowstone Park.

Louis Wolf and family vacationed in North Dakota and Minnesota. Louis was close enough to the Fargo tornado to obtain pictures of it. They also report plenty of good fishing in Minnesota.

On June 9 at a church wedding, Pat McDonald became the bride of Jim D. Gordon. Jim is the son of Asst. Supt. and Mrs. Dwight A. Gordon. The newlyweds are now living in Scotts-bluff. Jim is presently employed at the Scottsbluff factory. They will move to Lincoln in September, where Jim will continue his studies at the University of Nebraska.

Fred Robinson has blossomed out with a new Chevrolet Bel Air Hardtop.

The Raymond Schraeders have sold their home on Cowan Drive and re-purchased on North Avenue H.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Darnell spent a week in Fort Collins.

The office and field force have been busy lately with settlements and transportation for returning Mexican National Beet laborers.

The Peck Snyders made their regular biennial pilgrimage to San Diego, California, to visit their daughter and family, the F.R. Hartranfts, and to be present for the graduation of the third grandson, James, from Point Loma High School.

Johnny Lovell is on vacation. He and Mrs. Lovell have visited their children and grandchildren in Riverton and Laramie, Wyoming.

We are happy to congratulate W.C. McGuffey on his promotion to manager at Ovid. Bill’s pleasing personality and presence will be missed by all of us, but we are sure our loss will be Ovid’s gain, and that Bill will accomplish great things in his new position.

Timekeeper Albert Ruth entered Saint Mary’s Hospital July 14 for surgery.

*August, 1957*
Gering

BY CLIFF SEIFFERT

We at Gering wish to congratulate the following on their promotions: W. C. "Bill" McGuffey, assistant manager to manager at Ovid; Lowell E. Giauque, fieldman, to be our new assistant manager, and a former Geringite, LaMar Henry, who has been appointed assistant to the President of the company at Denver. To these three men we wish success as they take over their new assignments.

We welcome Lowell E. Giauque and his family to our city and hope he finds his duties here a pleasant experience.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Davidson drove to Steamboat Springs, Colo., to visit with Mrs. Davidson's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Leland Eubanks. Better late than never, and we do wish they had taken this opportunity to "many more happy anniversaries" to Mr. and Mrs. George Howard, who recently celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Tanner and children of Sioux City, Iowa, will vacation with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Tanner of Gering, and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Gross of Scottsbluff.

Ensign Joan Davidson visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Davidson, while enroute to Camp Pendleton, California. Miss Davidson, a Navy nurse, just completed six weeks training at St. Alban's Naval Hospital in New York City.

Bayard

Pryce Mitchell's mother, Mrs. Viola Mitchell of Chico, Calif., spent several days visiting the Mitchell home. While she was in Bayard, Pryce vacationed by taking his wife and mother fishing in the sandhill lakes east of Alliance. "'Tis fun to catch them bullheads", says Pryce.

Ole WWIB man himself, L. B. Lewellen, proved to be quite a gadabout while he was on vacation. Lew and wife traveled to Grand Island, Lincoln, Omaha, Gothenberg, all in Nebraska and Fort Collins. Seems that the Lewellens have in-laws and out-laws in all those points. They, together with their son Vern and his family, spent five days camping at the Chadron State Park.

Carl Haffner, our head pipe fitter, is spending the next couple of weeks welding at Horse Creek.

Ernie Harris and wife spent a very enjoyable vacation in Yellowstone National Park and in Lovell, Wyoming. While in Lovell they were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Mitchell. Ernie says that they are sure doing a lot of work in the Lovell plant. Why not—they have our boy Harry up there. Yes sir, they say Harry Swanson is welding like mad so he can get back to Bayard to trade cars.

Al Cline, our dryer foreman, spent his two weeks house painting. Al claims he slapped the paint on the entire outside of his home in record time. He was in a hurry 'cause Bertha, one of his prize chinchillas, was to become a mother. Al finished his painting and Bertha had triplets.

Jake Hehn spent his 80 hours beautifying his yard and doing a little painting.

Kay Loree Adams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Adams of Scottsbluff, who won a scholarship to Hastings College.
Mitchell

BY BOB MCKEE

Whooppee!! We did it again! Mitchell was very happy to hear that we had won the Safety First contest to add to our Pennant victory of last Campaign. This makes the Grand Slam that is seldom accomplished in Great Western factories because of the close competition. We also have 225 days with no lost time accidents toward the second year.

Turnbull and Earl Bittner accompanied Supt. Ev Lingle to Johnstown to accept the Safety First sign and bring it home to Mitchell. It stands in front of our factory where everyone can see it. And above it on our flag pole flies the Pennant flag.

We're proud of them both and will be trying very hard to keep them both here for another year. We want to congratulate Lovell and Longmont, who were the runnerups for the safety award.

It has been very hot here lately and the crops are growing well. The fieldmen report that all of the Nationals have been shipped back to Mexico except for 55 which have been retracted in the Mitchell and Lyman areas.

Fieldman Wayne Eisenhart has been at the Mayo Clinic for an operation. Don Latta, chief chemist at Gering, has been assisting with the fieldman's work. Manager H. Juegens has been helping in that department also. Visitors to our Agricultural Department lately were District Managers John Edminston and L. H. Andrews from Denver.

Dick Barker reports that his family is having their first family reunion since 1939. There will be 36 people in attendance.

Owners of a new Plymouth are Mr. and Mrs. Duane Smith, made her appearance on May 22. Mrs. Smith is coach at Loup City, Nebraska high school.

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So with that we'll get started and sign off.

Left to right: Claude Pettit, sales manager, District Sales Managers Sam McDowell and Charley Franzen at a recent meeting of merchandising representatives.

Conferees at a recent sales meeting are three of GW's merchandising representatives. Left to right: Harry Talbot, Ray Hendricks and Sid Campeau, all of the Missouri sales area.

We extend our sympathies to Don McDaniel, extra station man, on the passing of his mother, Mrs. Martha McDaniel. Mrs. McDaniel passed away on June 23 at Bayard.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Henderson have been called to Council Bluffs, Iowa, due to the serious illness of Mrs. Henderson's mother, Mrs. Ethel Silsby. We sincerely wish Mrs. Silsby a speedy recovery.

Janitor Carrol Silsby visited the Harold Uptons of Glenrock, Wyo. Mrs. Upton is Carrol's sister. Carrol also visited his brother and family, the Bob Silshys of Douglas, Wyo.

We report the engagement of Miss Evelyn Mehling, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Mehling of Bayard, to our Extra Station Foreman Don McDaniel. Reports are that they will be wed on August 11.

Fieldman Abe Spurgin of the Alliance area went overboard and traded in his Buick for a 1957 Renault. Abe says that she'll do 35 miles to the gallon and she pushes you right along. She has to push you right along 'cause the engine is in the rear.

Sugar End Foreman Ted "Chesty" Warrick really has cause to stick his chest out. He and Mrs. Warrick are proud grandparents of a baby girl. Kimberly Jo Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Duane Smith, made her appearance on May 22. Mrs. Smith is the daughter of the Warricks. Mr. Smith is coach at Loup City, Nebraska high school.

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We wish to offer our sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Rawson upon the death of her brother-in-law, Mr. Lee Womsley of Longmont.
J. Gordon English, manager at Brighton and senior in service among all managers, has spent more than 41 years with GW.

Walter I. Pytlinski of the Accounting Department in the General Office completed his 41st year last July.

C. B. Millen, chief chemist at Brighton, has 40 years with GW and the longest continuous service of any chief chemist.

Senior Sugar Tramps

The portraits of Great Westerners who have served continuously for 40 years or more.

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Delbert Sigwing, cashier at Brighton and dean of GW Sugar Tramps. His 47th anniversary will be in October — the longest service of any present employee.

O. P. Dittman, assistant to the auditor at the General Office for nearly 20 years, has been with Great Western for 41 years.

Harry N. Wallace, assistant superintendent at Brighton for the past decade, retires in September with 41 years.

P. H. McMaster, vice president and general manager of the GW Railway and a former agricultural manager and district manager, has completed 41 years of service.
It's nearly that time again . . .

Yes, it won't be much longer now until the whistle blows the start of another Campaign. Then things will start to hum — the rush will be on to cut beets and make sugar again. But in all the hurry and flurry, don't forget — the Campaign whistle also signals the best time to look for good suggestions. Then, with the actual operation of equipment and processes in and around the mill, you get the chance to see whether some certain thing or way of doing things can be improved. So now, while you have the time, plan your own "Suggestion Campaign."

Look around your own work area. How did things work last Campaign? Any bugs? Any recent changes or additions in equipment? What's likely to happen this Campaign with possible different conditions? These and other questions you can easily ask yourself — they all offer the starting point for good suggestions.

Just think each problem through — considering that your ideas must be new and useful — and then get your solution down on a Suggestion form. It doesn't need to be done up elaborately, so it doesn't take much time. And — it can pay you.