When the big snow hit the Great Western Railway — a scene cast of Loveland.

Billings Wins Pennant — Four Factories Honored
Among the Personnel — Beet Outlook Improves
The beet sugar industry assures a sound future for many a western youngster— and his parents can add to that security by purchasing bonds on the Payroll Savings Plan.
Improved Outlook For Beet Acreage

PROSPECTS for restoring normal beet acreage in G-W territory have substantially improved over the past quarter. As our last issue went to press there was uncertainty as to how much sugar would be available in 1949 under the sugar act.

Large industrial consumers wanted a very large consumptive requirement — 7,940,000 tons. This was more than a million tons too much in the opinion of domestic sugar farmers and processors. They recommended 6,900,000 tons.

On December 23, the Secretary of Agriculture announced 7,250,000 tons, which was closer to the farmer-processor recommendation than that suggested by the large industrial consumers. That the Secretary recognized the difficulties which had beset domestic sugar producers was made clear in the following statement by the Department of Agriculture:

"Sugar prices declined during 1948 while costs of production, processing and transportation generally increased. Current prices are somewhat below the relative levels indicated in the Sugar Act as a consideration in determining sugar requirements. In fact they are below $8.40 per hundred pounds, which was the price prevailing when price control was discontinued. In view of the reduction in stocks, however, it is expected that the demand for quota sugar will improve substantially and that the announced determination will achieve the objective set forth in the Sugar Act of providing a supply of sugar for the year at prices which will not be excessive to consumers and which will fairly and equitably maintain and protect the welfare of the domestic sugar industry."

Sugar economists described the announcement as "definitely bullish." The raw market immediately took a firmer tone and all refined prices advanced 25 cents per 100 pounds.

It was now evident that growers would receive substantially more money for their 1948 beets than many had anticipated and that the outlook for 1949 was very encouraging. On January 28 the Company paid farmers nearly 2 million dollars as a first additional payment on 1948 beets.

Each farmer received a letter analyzing the improved situation in which occurred the statement: "The Company is backing with hard cash its confidence in sugar price prospects by making this substantial additional payment on the 1948 beet crop. On the basis of sales made at the sugar price which was in effect just before the recent price advance, and with the continuance of similar market conditions for all of the 1948 sugar, the final net return might be expected to range around $6.50 a hundred."

It thus appeared that Colorado-Nebraska-Wheatland farmers, on the foregoing basis, might finally receive $12.50 per ton for 1948 beets testing (Continued on page 5)
Billings Wins 1948 G-W Pennant

Windsor second and Brush third in race marked by fine improvement in operating efficiency.

By SIDNEY J. OSBORN, General Chemist

With the return of the 1948 pennant to the Banana Belt after a lapse of 9 years, we hail the new pennant winner, Billings. Billings has deservedly gained the top honor by its operating record of the past campaign.

This is the third pennant won by the Billings organization, the previous two having been gained by the high records for the campaigns of 1938 and 1939. Only Windsor and Fort Morgan have now won more pennants than Billings, which shares the achievement of three pennants with Brush and Gering.

Although Billings' final margin of victory was decisive, this was due to a remarkably strong finish, and up to the last period it was trailing the redoubtable champions, Windsor and Brush.

The contest was close, especially as it was realized that the 1948 pennant winner would have to be considerably better than those of recent years. Billings was third in the first period and crowded Brush out of second place in the second period.

In the third period Billings closed up Windsor's margin to only .06, and after the engineers and auditors had their fling, Billings outdistanced Windsor by a margin of .31 in the final standings. A favorable coal correction was of considerable assistance at this time.

Billings showed a well-rounded performance, with its principal earnings in dried pulp production, coal consumption, losses and molasses purity. Even without its credit for dried pulp production, an item which enters into the pennant calculation at only one other factory, Billings would still have won the pennant by a narrow margin.

WINDSOR, if denied another pennant to add to its long string, maintained second place by a margin of only .02 over Brush. Windsor has attained the remarkable record of placing in one of the three top positions for each of the last eight campaigns consecutively.

Brush, the other familiar contender for top honors, maintained its recent

### FINAL PENNANT RATING

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* 1 Point Above Last Year and At Least 99.
† Greatest Improvement and At Least 99.75.
good record by holding third place against threats from Greeley, Long­
mont and Scottsbluff.

However praiseworthy may be the achievements of the winners, the suc­
cess of the Company's operations does not depend on the efforts of a few fac­
tories, but is directly related to the performance of the factories as a whole.

Last fall in a series of meetings with the operating organizations of each factory, Mr. Kemp and Mr. Roach pic­
tured some of the difficulties confront­
ing the Company, among them the fall­
ing off in operating efficiency in recent years. This challenge was accepted in good spirit and was valiantly met.

Whatever may have been the reasons for the slump, occasioned in some de­
gree by unfavorable field conditions and a difficult labor problem, it is grat­
ifying that the old time operating effi­
ciency of the Company is returning, and the management has already ex­
pressed its appreciation to several fac­
tory groups.

For those statistically inclined, it may be noted that the slicing perform­
ance of all factories, which had bogged down into the low nineties during the last four years, in the 1948 campaign increased in one year from 94.8 to 100.6 per cent of standard. Eight of the eighteen operating factories attained a pennant rating of over 100 and four others exceeded 99.75. The average pennant rating of all factories im­
proved from the 1947 average of 99.03, the low point of all pennant history, to 99.77 in 1948.

At the beginning of the campaign a new feature was set up as an adjunct to the pennant plan. This was aimed to give recognition to factories which might not be good enough to win one of the three top positions, but which might nevertheless show such improve­
ment in a single year over the preced­
ing year as to exhibit a real conquest of previous difficulties.

THESE supplementary awards had two features. First of all, an extra day's vacation was granted to the permanent operating organization of the factory which showed the greatest improvement in pennant rating in 1948 and at the same time achieved a mark of at least 99.75. Fort Collins, with a final pennant standing of 99.92 and an improvement in pennant stand­
ing of over two full points, won this award.

It was also stated that dinners would be tendered by the management to the factory organizations whose record showed an improvement of one point or more in pennant rating, provided that the final figure was at least 99. Four factories qualified in this cate­
gory: Fort Collins, Greeley, Ovid and Mitchell.

These four dinner meetings have re­
cently been held, at which the execu­
tives have expressed their deep appre­
ciation of the records made and have evinced confidence in improving condi­
tions in the beet sugar industry gen­
erally.

Certainly the operating crews will not be behind in showing that only a start has been made in regaining and even surpassing our former operating efficiency.

IMPROVED OUTLOOK FOR BEET ACREAGE (Continued from page 3)

16 per cent and over $11.50 for 15 per cent beets, while a prospect of $13 per ton was justified in the Billings-Lovell area. Such returns would be only about 10 per cent below the all-time high prices for beets guaranteed by the government in 1947 — which would be a lower percentage decline from 1947 prices than for many standard farm crops.

By the end of November, 1948, prices of major crops such as wheat, oats, corn, barley, beans and alfalfa had declined 25 to 40 per cent as compared with the same date the previous year, and as we went to press the rate of decline had accelerated — with prices of some crops dropping the full limit allowed in any one day on the exchanges.

(Continued on page 17)
BILLINGS CHAMPIONS — 1948

SUPERVISORY

SUGAR BOILERS
  Sitting: V. Lindell, D. A. Brown, B. Lindell.

DUMP CREW
  Standing: C. Albrandt, C. Eckhardt, H. J. Lapp.
  Sitting: H. E. Huddleston, G. Bastoni.

STEPFEN FOREMEN
  E. W. Kyger, C. Olsen, W. N. Humphrey.
OFFICE FORCE

Standing: M. C. List, O. W. Baltrusch, E. C. Dickerson, J. Wagner, P. O. Brush.


STENOGRAPHERS

Standing: Mary Marler, Clarice Flanders.

Sitting: Helen Ryan, Janet Garland.

ASST. MASTER MECHANICS, HEAD PIPE FITTER, SHOP FOREMAN, CHIEF ELECTRICIAN


Sitting: F. A. Borzycz, W. E. O'Dell.

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SUGAR END GROUP


BEET END GROUP


SUGAR END GROUP


MECHANICS


BILLINGS CHAMPIONS — 1948

BOILER HOUSE FOREMEN

PULP DRYER
R. Dimmitt, A. Bittner, J. C. Graham.

WATCHMEN
C. R. Fulk, A. Schreiber, A. W. Clark.
THE fine spirit of Great Western factory organizations was demonstrated in the 1948 campaign by outstanding gains in effectiveness of operation.

Plain talk in ten pre-campaign meetings had given every employee a full sense of the need for restoring pre-war efficiency in order to meet the triple-threat problems of rising costs, higher wages and reduced volume, resulting from the smallest beet acreage in years. This challenge was met in the best G-W tradition.

In addition to the customary honors to pennant winners, recognition was given to factories which, though not at the top of the list, showed the greatest improvement over the previous year. The best improver, which had

to score at least 99.75 to qualify, was to receive an extra day's vacation and an honorary banquet, while similar banquets were to be given any factory group with an improvement of one point or more, provided the final standing was at least 99.

Fort Collins came out ahead in this category, while Greeley, Ovid and Mitchell qualified in the second-mentioned improvement classification. Here's how the gains were made:

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In recognition of these achievements banquets were tendered the Fort Collins organization at the Armstrong hotel January 19, the Ovid group at the Sugar Cafe at Ovid January 20, the Mitchell group at the G-W Hotel,


President Frank A. Kemp was the principal speaker at the Fort Collins and Greeley meetings, and Executive Vice President D. J. Roach at the Ovid and Mitchell celebrations. Vice President and General Superintendent A. A. Clark and Assistant Vice President E. R. Niehaus, Jr., attended all the meetings. In each instance the local district operating and engineering executives were present.

The speakers pointed out that in 1948, with one less factory in operation, average daily company slicing was 561 tons higher than in 1947. Slicing efficiency was 100.4 per cent of standard, an increase of 5.9 per cent over the previous year. The background against which this improvement had been made was recalled in the slump from 101.5 per cent in 1941 to only 94.5 per cent in 1947. The come-back was good. As Mr. Kemp put it, “This was a remarkable improvement, and the entire organization is to be congratulated on the fine job done.”

The average pennant rating for all factories in 1948 was 99.77 per cent as compared with 99.03 per cent in


1947. In every category — slicing, losses, coal consumption, number of operating men used, and quality of sugar produced, the 1948 operation excelled that of 1947.

With deserved congratulations for this accomplishment, the speakers emphasized that it must be regarded as a step toward further goals in view of objectives which must be attained.

First, all factories must be put back into top mechanical condition for a much longer campaign than last year, and it must be done as economically as possible.

The speakers cited the tremendous increase in normal maintenance costs for the period March 1, 1948 to February 28, 1949, compared with costs for the period March 1, 1940 to February 28, 1941. For the four factories under discussion, estimated costs had increased as follows: Greeley 148 per cent, Fort Collins 102 per cent, Ovid 95 per cent and Mitchell 162 per cent.

Some of the increased cost elements affecting maintenance in all G-W fac-
tories were mentioned, comparing 1940 with 1949 — wages up 68 per cent, copper and brass products up 100 per cent, fabricated steel products up 150 per cent, lumber up 165 per cent and intercampaign coal up 89 per cent.

To quote Mr. Roach, "This constantly increased maintenance cost makes it more and more difficult to justify the continued operation of all the factories." Then, in asking "what are we going to do about it?" he suggested some of the answers.

"We can do only that work that is necessary to put the factory in good operating condition for next campaign and not do anything that does not need to be done. We can make sure by careful planning and intelligent interest in our job that every man-hour paid for gives the greatest possible return in productive accomplishment.

"We can conserve material by only using new material when second-hand or used material is not available or will not do the job. We can be careful to save whenever possible. We might surprise ourselves on how much could be saved on our maintenance costs by a completely cooperative effort on the part of everyone of us along the lines I have suggested."

Second, discussing the objectives of 1949, a normal beet acreage is of vital importance. The speakers pointed out that production from all Great Western beet factories in the campaign just closed was 5,005,345 bags, as compared with 8,860,610 bags in 1947 and a five-year average of 8,130,212 bags for the period 1938-1942 inclusive.

"Our company is an eight-million-bag-plus outfit and we cannot run very long at a five-million-bag clip without cutting ourselves down to that size by closing factories, reducing personnel and discontinuing many of our present activities." Reduced intercampaign crews was one of the inevitable results of reduced volume, it was explained.

But in facing these facts realistically, it was fortunate, the speakers said, that some very favorable developments could also be recognized with the same realism. They closed the meetings with analysis of improved sugar markets following the announcement by the government of the 1949 consumption estimate. They explained why beet growers will get more for their 1948 crop than earlier views had anticipated, and why the prospect for sugar beets in 1949 is very encouraging, particularly in view of sugar prospects compared with declining trends in general farm prices.

These developments, treated more fully elsewhere in this issue, are facts which should be widely known. For every G-W employee to familiarize himself thoroughly with them, and to avail himself of every opportunity to inform farmers and businessmen of his community—such activity can be of real influence in restoring normal beet acreage, it was emphasized.

"Our main hope," concluded Mr. Kemp, "must be in ourselves, in the ability of the Company organization itself. We must reduce costs in all categories, labor, materials and overhead, and we must get a normal beet acreage. Personally I have confidence that the fine Great Western organization will meet the challenge, and I think the magnificent performance of these factory groups and of the other factory groups during the past campaign indicates that such confidence is justified."

Worst Drifts in History of G-W Railway
By V. V. HARTMAN, Loveland

The Great Western Railway was put completely out of commission from January 1 to the 8th by the snow storms and drifts. Unable to secure a rotary snow plow owing to their demand by other railroads, the accompanying pictures show the method adopted in the first drift from four to eight feet deep east of Loveland. Three engines in tandem plowed the drifts making a few feet at a time, backed up, snow removed from the engines and the procedure repeated. By this process the line was finally opened to Johnstown, Milliken, Longmont and Windsor. At the present writing, January 20, huge drifts hardened by some melting and freezing, require blasting to aid a wedge plow four miles east of Eaton. Several times the engines and plow were off the track and slow progress is being made. Great Western Railway officials will record the December-January storms as by far the worst in the history of the railway.
Fighting snow east of Loveland on the Great Western Railway—and note the bare part of the field in the upper left picture, typical of how the snow drifted in many areas.—Photos by Skeets Calvin, Greeley.
The Challenge of Safety Off the Job
By FRANK A. KEMP, JR.

The recent sudden and tragic deaths of two of Great Western’s most loyal and able employees has quickly brought to mind that there are constant perils and dangers facing each and everyone of us while we are away from our work and engaged in community activities, sports, traveling, or merely taking part in the home life.

Most of the people who read the Sugar Press have an automobile and use it constantly as a means of transportation to and from work and also drive a good deal during the hours away from the job. All know what a murderer the automobile has become in America. In 1947, 32,500 people were killed and 1,365,000 were injured in traffic accidents.

The chief cause of this appalling number of fatalities and injuries is speeding. Speeding is intentional. Other traffic violations can often be blamed on mechanical failure of the automobile, ignorance, lack of skill, or apathy, but speeding is quite clearly a deliberate action. The only antidote to speeding is the simplest safety measure of all—thoughtfulness.

A universal determination to resist the temptation of fast driving would have saved nearly 10,000 lives. It would have spared a quarter of a million persons the anguish of broken bodies. In all driving, the urge to get to the destination in a hurry should be tempered with consideration for the other fellow and for ourselves in case that excessive speed should cause an accident.

Because of the severe winter weather most of the G-W territory has been having it might be well to review some of the winter driving facts recently made public by the National Safety Council. A chart of braking distances for a car traveling at 20 miles per hour under various winter conditions shows clearly how dangerous roads become when covered with snow and ice.

Braking Distances on Various Road Surfaces at 20 m.p.h.—

- Concrete Pavement
  - Car requires 26 feet to stop on wet concrete.
  - Car requires 21 feet to stop on dry concrete.
- Packed Snow
  - With no chains car stops in 69 feet.
- Glare Ice
  - With natural rubber tires and no chains, 169 feet is required to stop a car.

MOST of the accidents that occur during the winter are caused by bad surface conditions of the roads and poor visibility. The following is a list of rules that should make your driving safer:

1. Get the “feel” of the road before you start out.
2. Adjust speed to road, weather, and traffic.

Ten Commandments of a Safe Worker
Reading Time: 1 Minute
1. Keep in top physical condition.
2. Handle all tools and material with care.
3. Use safeguards provided for specific jobs.
4. Report all unsafe conditions to the foreman.
5. Report all injuries immediately.
6. Always keep your mind on your job.
7. Always be cooperative and promote good teamwork.
8. If you don’t know, ask the foreman how to do the job safely.
9. Be a good housekeeper; keep your place clean.
10. Always be on the lookout for fire hazards.
3. Use tire chains on ice and snow.
4. Keep windshield and windows clear.
5. Pump your brakes on snow or ice. Don't lock wheels.
6. Follow at a safe distance. It takes three to twelve times more distance to stop on snow and ice.

Winter brings about other conditions which are very dangerous besides those that affect the driving of an automobile. Furnaces are going full blast during the cold spells and the heating units should be constantly checked for leaky flues which permit gas to escape. And coal furnaces that have cracked walls which allow flame and hot air to escape are a constant source of fire and explosion. Nearly every day we read stories of people's homes being gutted by fires caused by faulty heating, cooking, and lighting equipment.

Accidents in the home take a heavy toll of lives and cause many serious injuries. Some of these are caused by the following: falling on slippery or icy walks, falling down stairs, falling from ladders or from furniture, tripping over obstacles in a dark room, burns from carelessness in the kitchen, the taking of improper medicines, strains from overexertion and overeating also fill many funeral parlors and hospital wards. By these brief examples it is conclusively clear that the sugar man must be as conscious of safety at home as he is at the mill. And in addition, during a week of the intercampaign period he is in the factory some 40 hours and off the job 128.

IMPROVED OUTLOOK FOR BEET ACREAGE

All in all, the beet prospect is good and there is a general feeling throughout the territory that the small acreage last year was very unfortunate from every angle. "Beet money" was missed. Although the price per ton is turning out favorably, the total volume was disappointing. In the Longmont district, for example, the amount of money in local channels of trade was reduced by more than 1½ million dollars, compared with the previous year. This is typical of other communities.

To make these favorable trends well known presents a real opportunity to every member of the G-W organization. Letters have been sent to growers, statements and advertisements have appeared in the press; our executives have made many talks to farm and business groups and to factory personnel.

This is all to the good, but more can and must be done. Good news sooner or later makes itself known, but to make it known immediately to every farmer and businessman is not only doing him a real service, but is vitally important to the economic welfare of every member of the G-W organization, because normal acreage must be restored to assure the volume of beets required for satisfactory operation.

It is not a job for the field forces alone. Each of us is in the fortunate position of a salesman who has a very superior commodity to sell. If the facts are well known in our communities, a big beet crop is assured. Let's get the job done!
DENVER
EVERYBODY, Associate Editor

ELOISE Whitmer of Washington, D. C., is working temporarily as comptometer operator on sixth floor.

A Denver County pioneer passed away December 13 at the age of 100. Mrs. Veronica Damascio was the mother-in-law of Horace Palladino.

Colds and flu have been taking their usual winter toll, Mary Darby, George Kuempel, Roy Jensen and Corinne Olsen to mention a few.

We are glad to hear Mrs. Hugh Cook is much better after a severe illness. The $64.00 question—How to pay for the Christmas presents? Looks like a run on the Credit Union.

The bowling league is a little over the halfway mark and as we go to press the following are the leaders:

Teams: 1. Research, 2. Mavericks and sixth floor tied for second place with the other five teams close up.


Attention Credit Union: Hot tip for new loan customer—Al Whittaker—reason: he saw the 1949 Chevrolet.

Clara Belle Chalfant is a new addition to the stenographic room.

Our correspondents for this issue include Velma Woodhams, W. T. Scilley, Mary Lou Haskell, Merial Ricker, John R. McAnally, C. C. Hanscom, Frank Weick, Marie McGinnis, Walt Schreiber and R. J. Brown.

Bob Norrish is missed by all the bowlers. He is carrying a 12-hour course at D. U. Business Administration night school this quarter. Quite an assignment don't you think?

Al Mier is back in the Sales department after a six-month session with Lawrence Warehouse work.

Sales Manager Dan Chandler made a recent trip to Pebble Beach where he attended the Bing Crosby invitational golf tournament.

B. A. Oxnard is becoming an expert at designing packages.

Mildred Sword has been making the trip to and from Brighton daily despite the hazardous condition of the highway.

We extend our sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Packer in the loss of Mrs. Packer's brother, to Lois Wansted in the loss of her grandfather, and to Mary Lou Haskell in the loss of her grandfather.

If you want to know what DD's or M's or PP's are, get in touch with Mr. J. H. Burris.

George Stillman says his son must have a broken arm judging from the lack of correspondence. Jeffery is in Memphis, Tennessee, studying aviation electronics at the naval training center.

How come Bert Cope cabled Buddy to say hello to his grandchildren?

At this writing, F. G. Holmes, labor commissioner, is in the south interviewing labor agents preparatory to spring business. He expects to return about February 10.

Messrs. Soots and Jarrell have again gone to Texas, where they will supervise recruitment of labor in their respective territories for our various factory districts.

Roy Cliff escaped the extreme cold by traveling south to Texas for Christmas. The weather down and back was mild enough and the Cliffs didn't encounter snow till they hit Denver again. Roy said the trip was perfect and at Christmas time he had it all over city folks for getting a Christmas tree. Roy stepped out the back door of his relative's house and chopped one down to his liking—for free and a little exercise to boot.

John (Two-gun, Dawson, Delta Cyclone) Stark also had a chopping good time. "Two Gun" was on his way home for Christmas the 24th, and on the way over the mountains, between here and Delta, he stopped to help a "ditched" motorist. Two-Gun just about had the man helped out when a Buick rounded the nearby curve. "What a display of affections!" That kiss cost Two-Gun a few hundred bucks and that's quite a financial chop. We'll hope for you, "Cyclone" that the insurance claim
Grandpaw Hill (Don, that is) with young Donald Lynn Raymond, born Oct. 11, the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Raymond. She was formerly Sally Hill.

...pans some pay dirt.

We extend a hearty welcome to Walter Mandl, who has joined the Engineering staff recently. Mr. Mandl journeyed here with his family, Mrs. Mandl and two small boys, all the way from Turkey, where Walt spent 14 years in the beet sugar industry on the drawing board and in the factory both. Walt was born and educated in Austria.

John Barnes turns to color photography. John spent Christmas firing 35 mm. at his little son, Scotty. Scotty's complaint was that he got "plumb tuckered out" trying to strike a pose and play with his new train at the same time. Technicolor Barnes went even further and collaborated with John Wilson in spraying their own Christmas trees, whom the latter had on brilliant display at "Open House." The Wilsons served eggnog from a huge silver bowl, and tasty bits on open plates.

Marie Bredehorst went caroling at Yuletide and Noel was just fine, but a bonfire would have been better. It was too all-fired cold, and even St. Nick drove in on a drum of anti-freeze.

Dan Conwell and family finally moved into their new home, and just made it before Christmas by virtue of late hours of hard work. Ask Dan.

Harry Ward bought a house and we think he got settled about Jan. 15. That's the most wonderful change a man can make—from an apartment to a house. There are three or four engineers left who'd like to make that switcheroo, but haven't been able to swing it yet.

B. B. Buffum, inventor, strategist, and glutamic expert, will now be in the home recording game. His recent purchase has wire recording and Mrs. Buffum will now be able to play back a few promises Buff might make.

Tony Flasco offers three easy lessons on how to grow a good mustache as a reward for the finding of his mechanical drafting pencil, green in color.

Doane Watson will not visit "Cabbage Patch" till spring, or better. Snow weasels are all rented out and helicopters are too expensive. The "cabbage" will have to go on freezing without "Watts."

George Pfeiff had a siege of illness that kept him out for over a week but he was back on the job with zest.

The noon-time bridge club still convenes—Flasco, Wilson, Tom Kinney, Jack Powell, Buffum, Iverson and, amongst these six, they keep four seats bidding. Your correspondent butted in one day, seeking sympathy for the females, and asked if anyone believed in clubs for women. Iverson said, "Yes, if kindness fails."

Wayne Argabrite has purchased a war surplus 16 mm. gun camera, which he plans to convert to a home movie camera. Noteworthy and commendable. Home hobbyists and camera fans take note.

Howard Hooker has been up in the snow as much as possible and trying to avoid sitzmarks as much as possible. Well, Salom, Gelandsprung and Track to you, Howie, for being able to get out of bed these cold, snowy Sunday mornings. The rest of us enjoy the exercise of "Mind over Mattress."

Fred Baty's second daughter, Virginia Louise, was married to Sherman L. Jones January 8, at the South Broadway Christian Church.

Ernie Stabenow was taken ill January 20, and was in St. Luke's hospital as these notes were written.

Frank Kemp, Jr., went to Dallas, Texas, over New Year's to witness the Cotton Bowl game. A friend of Frank's from Oregon University played in the game.

Gus Schmidt was recently visited by his son Charles and wife, Phyllis, who braved the snow drifts in coming from their home in Hollywood, California. Charles said he found Denver to be the same "home town" he had known it to be during his early years.
here.

Delores Stanton has replaced Lydia Manning in the Railway office. Delores says she feels right at home in Denver's cold and snowy weather, having formerly lived at Royal Oak, Michigan. She was employed there by the Detroit Edison Company, a public utility firm.

Since the last writing, trips through the East have been made by Messrs. Cottingham and Pettit of the Purchasing Department.

The Sugar Press of Autumn, 1947, carried the following in regard to additions to Purchasing Department families: born 8-22-47, Laura Lee Kugler; born 8-31-47, David Norton Reseigh; born 9-19-47, D'Ann Burns; and born 10-5-47, Jan Kathryn Schreiber. To bring you up to date, we present pictures of the kiddies at the age of one year.

The stork has completed operation "Wa-a-a, I want my vittles" at the Clifford Reseigh, Bill Kugler, and Tom Burns households. Offsprings, all male, have been tabbed Michael Chapman Reseigh, Clark Evan Kugler, and Thomas Nixon Burns.

Recently, an impromptu birthday celebration was held in the Purchasing stenographers' room for Evelyn Capillupo, turned 21. In case you should wonder as to the owners of the voices blending in the five-part harmonious rendition of "Happy Birthday," we present: Jack Frost, tenor; Bob English, baritone; Dick Hudson, alto; Cliff Reseigh, bass; and Duane Miller, you name it. Don Cossack Choir, please take notice!

Duane Miller is now a member of the National Guard Infantry band. He is a trombone tooter with a corporal's rating. Understand he has two stripes stencilled on the trombone with room for three more.

Vacationers since the last writing have included: Ray Lupton, who toasted his tootsies by the fire while we battled the snow to make it to ye olde office; Evelyn Capillupo, who went to Wyoming over the Holidays; Betty Hanks, another stay-at-home; and Jane Spence, who spent two weeks in Florida. Jane and her son David had quite a time at the annual yacht regatta at St. Petersburg.

Jack Frost, (not a winter weather fan) has spent quite some time (we're not sure on which part of him) ice skating with his sons. Incidentally, we are proud to report that Jack is very active in boy scout work. At present, he is committeeman and counselor for Troop 10. Jack has been able to handle courts of honor, patrol and pack meetings, and counselings, but he's not sure whether the 10-mile hikes are putting him in shape or out of commission.

Lois Vander Ploeg's husband has taken on the responsibility of supervising operation of a doughnut shop. It seems the shop was running in the hole and needed help to get it back in the dough.

Understand Dave Roemer has given up the cigarette habit. Dave likes to have you know that he hasn't spent a cent on smokes since November 1st, but we hear that if all the sticks of gum Dave has chewed since that date were laid end to end, they'd reach from here to the Camel factory at Winston-Salem.

Barbara Grotberg became secretary to Mr. Niehaus upon the departure of Helene Schwab January 28. Miss Schwab is soon to be married to Harry S. Raub of Denver, an automotive engineer and technician.
George and Alice Reynolds want all their G-W friends to know how much they are enjoying their new RCA-Victor radio-phonograph.

Jack Maynard was in Montana conducting feeder tours as these notes were written.

Maj. Robert F. Hemphill was in Rhodes at this writing as legal advisor on the staff of Ralph J. Bunche, mediator in the Israel-Egypt situation. His wife, the former Betty Roach, is visiting the senior Hemphills in Omaha, with her two children Bobby and Virginia. Maj. Hemphill, as a military observer for United Nations, arrived in Palestine just before the assassination of Count Bernadotte and subsequently went over to Dr. Bunche’s staff.

Lyman and Patricia Andrews are living at 833 Fillmore Street, Denver 6. The children are in Stevens school, Lyman, Jr., in the 5th grade and Diana in the 6th.

Maj. Gen. Orlando Ward, Bert Ward’s brother, had lunch with some of the G-W men at the Oxford Jan. 31. General Ward, who has been in Korea about two and one-half years, was en route to Washington.

Cecil and Grayce Doherty have moved into their new home in Cedar Lane off West 28th Avenue.

Frank H. Ricker, who has graced the General office with his friendliness and good cheer for approximately 33 years, retired on November 30, 1948 to enjoy a well earned rest. Frank had served the company well in many capacities, first as sugar sales statistician, as a sales contact man and in recent years as petty cashier. His knowledge of banks and banking procedure, obtained while associated with a St. Louis bank prior to coming with G-W, was valuable to the company. Good luck, Frank, and drop in often to see us.

Harvey Lammel succeeded Frank Ricker as petty cashier. Harvey came to us in 1947, after several years’ experience with Morey Mercantile Company at Greeley and Scottsbluff.

**General Office Now Has Credit Union**

By JOHN L. FELLOWS

The first annual meeting of The Great Western Sugar Company Employees Federal Credit Union was held Friday afternoon, January 28th, in the 5th floor Accounting room. The purposes of the meeting were the reports of officers and committees, election of officers and discussion of plans for the future. Sixty-six members were present for the meeting.

The election of officers was held first with the following being elected: board of directors (for 1 year): Carl Crist, Ruth Jobush and C. H. Phillips; (for 2 years) Ed Rebhan and John Fellows; credit committee (for 1 year): Fred Anderson and Marie McGinnis; (for 2 years) Ed Niehaus; supervisory committee (for 1 year): Allan Ogilvy; (for 2 years) Walter Schreiber and Barbara Grotheg.

The directors’ report covered the bond for the treasurer and officers, safeguards for loans by loan insurance on borrowers covering death and total disability, use of the deposit office and the future expansion. The treasurer reported on the financial status both at the end of the fiscal year and at the date of the meeting. There are now 99 members and the total deposits amount to $1600. It is hoped that expansions may be started during the year.

The credit committee reported that 9 loans had been made to date averaging $96 each. The supervisory committee reported that the quarterly audit showed the books in balance and that all rules have been complied with.

In new business, it was decided that the deposit office would be open only on Tuesday and Friday noons and also on the 5th and 6th of each month. It was also suggested that information regarding the Credit Union be distributed to help spread the benefits as widely as possible.

The Credit Union held its first organization meeting on September 8, 1948, under the sponsorship of C. H. Phillips, Berneas Kennedy, John Fellows, Allan Ogilvy, E. R. Niehaus,
Blanche Fish, Fred Anderson and Barbara Grotberg. At this meeting application was made for a federal charter. Officers were elected to operate the Credit Union until the first annual meeting. The charter was approved on October 26, 1948, and the operation of The Great Western Sugar Company Employees Federal Credit Union was open for business. The growth as shown by the reports indicates the interest taken in the few weeks of actual operation.

The board of directors requests that all members and potential members feel free to ask for information or to make criticism.

When you need money, think first of your Credit Union!

EATON
RIO Not Grande, Associate Editor

NOTHER Campaign under the belt, the usual reports and whatnot having been completed, we have finally settled down to the normal intercampaign swing.

Several of the crew were marooned and unable to make it to work for a couple of days on account of the recent storm. The general conclusions drawn were that this is the heck of a time of year to take a vacation.

Dutch Pryor has done a magnificent job with the crane in keeping the boiler-house, dormitory and main office supplied with pit coal. As we go to press, the sugar road (GWRR) is within 4 miles of Eaton with some of the worst drifts yet to be opened.

Agricultural Superintendent Elmer Anderson is vacationing in Florida as we go to press.

Andy and Lola Tinn spent the holidays in California and were fortunate enough to get to observe the Tournament of Roses and the Rose Bowl game on New Year's day; however, they had the misfortune of being stranded in Logan, Utah, for a few days on account of the storm.

Our deepest sympathies are extended to Paul Smith whose father recently passed away in California, and to Mrs. Victor Beets whose mother recently died in Ft. Collins.

Ike Enwall is now driving the Plymouth formerly owned by George Cumley, retired assistant superintendent at Eaton. Morris Schoonover has taken over the ownership of Ike's Chev.

Snoops and strolls around the premises reveal:

Supt. Steve Force and Master Mechanic Walt Brossman making final preparations for the annual trip to Denver on the maintenance list.

January sunshine and shadow at the Eaton factory, as photographed by Supt. S. L. Force. Not shown in this picture is Elmer Anderson, who was in Florida at the moment.
The fieldmen, Garner, Schroeder, Tormey and Butler mapping the district and preparing for a better-than-average acreage this year.

Wait Hamilton, C. E. Morehead and Ike Enwall removing the kinks from the line shaft.

Clarence Conway and Alex Miller overhauling the centrifugals.

Ellis Miller and S. D. Stone removing the shimmy from the large granulator.

Tom Bateman, Sam Shelburn, and John Stevens overhauling valves, cleaning pipe lines and inspecting the pans.

Harry Kern, Morris Schoonover and Harold Springer overhauling the water pumps.

Charles Springer, Roy Biddle and Tuck Sloan overhauling the beet slicers.

Vic Beets, George Walker, Harold Saxton and Fred Rau cleaning the press frames.

Bun Matheny firing the summer boiler.

Marion Ring turning down pump shafts and rotors.

Ardie Scofield hoping to finish a storeroom inventory.

John Reis and Lola Tinn batting out the pay checks.

Dutch Pryor moving more coal from the coal pit.

York Saxton giving the thermometers and recorders the once over.

Ray Ferrell on the beet end motors.

The following article is dedicated to one of the local sugar end foremen who recently entered the chicken business and, hearing a strange noise the other night, he thought it came from the chicken house.

Getting ready for bed, yet still having on his long underwear, our hero slips on his house shoes, gets trusty shotgun and flashlight, and goes out to investigate. He throws open the hen house door, kinda squats, pointing gun and flashlight, peering into the hen abode.

Well, you know the seat construction of long drawers, they kinda gapped, and about this time his old hound dog came over to see what was going on, touched our friend with his cold nose on the rear and our friend killed 27 chickens.

Since this episode we've had stewed chicken, fried chicken, chicken la king, chicken fricassee and still have a locker full of frozen chicken.

The inclosed photo is a sample of the snow in this neck of the woods.

Yours till better fishin'.
Wes Kendall had to get out a step-ladder to show how well we were doing. Next year he'll have to use an air-lift.

in good condition and made it without any trouble. The Bresnahans visited relatives while Don entertained a girl friend. This was Don's first trip and he really enjoyed California. On their return things were not quite so good as they had to take a different route in order to miss some of the snowy highways. Don had one close call when the cars in front of his car started turning crosswise on the highway so he took to a ditch and avoided an accident. They arrived in Greeley January 3 to be greeted by our severe blizzard.

Fred Lindberg and "Shorty" Ferrell have been checking and repairing various pumps throughout the factory. Fred missed one day of work nursing a cold. Shorty spent a couple of days at home treating a pulled muscle in his leg.

"Pete" Brumley, WWIIB Inspector, is really kept busy when ten-pound packages are being loaded. Pete has been making repairs to the knife-filing machine and cassetteshoot.

George Heiser has been building up pump shafts and housings and doing routine work in the shop. George had to leave the shop the first part of December to give the boys a lift on the loading of sugar.

Don White is polishing and cleaning the gas tubes.

When Wes Kendall first put up our "How're We Doin'?" chart we thought the paper was pretty big. However, it wasn't long before Wes had to get a step-ladder to paint on the lines which extended right out the top of the chart and on up the wall! The ten slicing days shown in the photograph are ten pretty darn good days. On election day we didn't do so hot but the results of Truman's win had some effect on the crew and they really sliced beets for a few days. The dark lines are daily slicing and the light lines show the to-date average. Notice the nice curve in the right direction in our to-date slicing.

"Bill" Feland and Charles Lutes, Jr., have been keeping the spray gun in high gear painting tanks, centrifugals, sugar scroll, etc.

"Bill" Long, janitor, completed filling up all of the holes in the driveway just before the first snow fell. Bill has been battling a cold.

Clayton Rickert, assistant superintendent, spent the week before Christmas having the wheels balanced and putting some new tires on the Chev. On December 23 Rick and his wife left Greeley to spend the holidays with relatives in Wyoming. They had no trouble in making the trip both ways in sub-zero temperatures and getting through the highways that had a great deal of snow on them. They brought back with them so much fresh meat that they had to rent a locker for it.

Calvin Smith recently made the front sheet of the town newspaper as the weather observer who was snowbound at his home in Eaton. He had other troubles too. While he was at home his wife put him to work cleaning the apartment. We wonder if he wouldn't have preferred his regular job.

Layton Brumley and Les Hibler have overhauled the laundry machine and are checking and repairing the sugar conveyor to melter when not helping on sugar.

Art Dimmitt and Vernon Harsh are checking, repairing and repacking valves.

Ted Burrous is cleaning the tubes in the evaporators and heaters.

Conradson, Miller and Hoff have been assigned as watchmen during inter-campaign.

Claude Mains is assisting the chemists, Smith and McCurry, in the laboratory. He is kept busy washing tubes and dishes that are used in making the bacteria tests and is probably
getting dishpan hands.

Dan Moore has been doing some pipe work and giving the other boys a lift now and then on various jobs in the factory.

Most of the personnel were on the job during the blizzard but a few who live away from town were unable to get through the high snow drifts.

Wes Kendall and wife have left for Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Rienks spent the Christmas holidays in California with their two daughters and their families. They came back the southern route and arrived in Greeley just the day before the big blizzard. They claim they came back to Greeley to get warm. "Sunny California," did you say?

Fred D. Law has spent his vacation playing housekeeper and nursemaid to Mrs. Law, who underwent a minor operation on January 13. Fred has really been strutting his stuff as he became a grandfather a few days before Christmas. His son, Bob, presented him with a grandson.

Ted Stevens has only memories of a vacation and tells how hot it was in Grand Island, Nebraska, last summer when he came home. Doesn’t seem to warm us up much, however.

John Edmiston and family spent the holidays in Denver and Pueblo. Over the Christmas holidays they went to Denver to visit the Roaches, and then they made whoopee with John’s family in Pueblo on New Year’s. They, too, arrived in Greeley just in time to get out the snow shovel and start to work digging out.

We tried to get George Weber to “fire up” one of the Athys and clear our factory yard, but didn’t talk loud enough, I guess. The Greeley street department could have used all of them and to good use. Ask us all.

Harold Kauffman, pulp weigher, decided to take vacation at the time the storm hit, which was a bad idea, as we only delivered three loads of pulp during the first two days of the storm. Dan Bernhardt is the one who had the vacation. Harold had to shovel snow at home.

Joe Mooney has spent most of his time lately preparing the maintenance list. Joe is all set for the trip to Denver where the list will be well discussed.

If any one wants to know how deep the drifts really got in Greeley, ask C. T. Carney. He can tell you as they were plenty deep in the alley back of his house.

Fred Brothers has been supervising various jobs through the factory.

Chester, Ray Gordon and Ray’s family spent the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Gordon, who live here in Greeley. When Chester was returning home he had to shovel snow from the highway so he could get through.

The second morning of the big snow, “Bill” Bruce got a phone call advising against leaving home to go to work. There were too many big drifts on 13th street and no dog teams available. Bill finally made it by taking a different route in the afternoon.

WINDSOR

C. H. McCURRY and T. H. HYDE,
Associate Editors

OUCH! That was a close one—we mean the race between Brush and Windsor for second place. We wish to extend our heartiest congratulations to the Billings organization for the manner in which they forged ahead toward the end of campaign.

Jake Wamboldt suffered a very serious and painful eye injury just a few days before the end of campaign when hot milk of lime splashed directly into his eye when he was cleaning a plugged pipeline from the pump. We are glad to report that he has just about completely recovered from the injury.

Clarence Crosby, storekeeper, was taken ill just a couple of days before the end of campaign, and was confined—first to the hospital, and then to his home for several weeks before he was able to return to work. T. I. Robbins, assistant storekeeper at the Fort Collins factory, helped out in the storeroom during that time; also, Howard Modlin, campaign storeroom man, was held over until Clarence was able to take over the duties.

Fieldman Tom Baxter is driving a brand new Ford. The car was sold to him at Douglas, Wyoming, so Tom took the train to Douglas and drove the new Ford home. Tom and his family vacationed in California during the holidays, and were delayed by the blizzard on their way home.

Fieldman Beryl Becker did some vacationing in Estes Park during the holidays.

The Great Western Railway experienced the greatest of difficulties in attempting to break through the snow and ice that blanketed the tracks be-
between Severance and Eaton after the blizzard in early January. It took more than two weeks to clear the 7-mile stretch between Severance and Eaton. Dynamite was tried on the thick packs of snow and ice—but was not very successful. Finally the only instruments that seemed effective were picks and crowbars. The G-W Railroad serves Loveland (where the roundhouse is located), Johnstown, Milliken, Windsor, Eaton, Severance, Mead, and Longmont; and goes south almost to Fort Lupton.

Sue Marie Chipman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Chipman, became ill while working on the roof of the Windsor Methodist Church on Sunday, January 16, and was rushed to the Weld County Hospital in Greeley for an emergency appendectomy. She was recuperating nicely at the latest report.

Conrad Hoff, boiler house foreman, was wearing a very uncomfortable brace to support his head in one position for several weeks after campaign. It was discovered upon close examination with x-rays etc., that a vertebra in his neck was fractured from an injury by a falling bag while loading sugar during the previous intercampaign.

Jim Gonyou, apprentice fieldman, and his wife recently moved to an apartment on east Locust street in Windsor.

On a recent walk about the premises we noted the following:

George Wilder was circulating sugar in the bins.

Les Miller and Carl Hurich were overhauling the raw juice pump.

"Wib" Potter and "Scotty" Galloway were repairing the control valves on the thin juice heaters.

I. C. Bressler and E. D. McKim were repairing the agitators in the second carbonation tanks.

"Bob" Sanders was machining some parts for the centrifugals.

"Bill" Rutz, Ed Hemmerle, "Bob" Fritzler, "Mike" Rutz, "Sandy" Stromberger and Reiny Berhardt were packaging 30/2s and stacking them in the warehouse.

Philip Scheller and Henry Kaiser were repairing the raw juice heaters. Floyd Fosdick and Paul Mullen were overhauling electric motors.

"Bill" Taylor and Henry Schimpf were covering the warehouse windows to keep the cold air out; and an even temperature in.

C. E. Chipman and "Vic" Leffler were replacing the pressure gauges in the boiler house.

"Cooney" Hoff was shoveling coal into the summer boiler.

Martin Reed was patching up some holes in the impeller for the battery supply pump and "Bill" Geng, janitor, was mopping the floor in manager's office.

Dave Weinmeister was repairing brake shoes for the centrifugal clutches.

Mart Schmode, "Pix" Goodner and Ted Hyde were checking over and discussing the maintenance list for Windsor 2nd power plant.

Clarence Crosby was on his way to the cashier's office to get the mail.

George Gibson, Orey Edgar and Willene Stoll were checking the growers' records and drafts.

C. H. McCurry was typing some Sugar Press notes and cussing the slick roads to the Greeley factory where he is working four days a week.

The watchmen—Philip Altergott, "Bugs" Jacoby and George Weinmeister—were at home at the time of course.

The annual High-Ten banquet for the Windsor district was held at the Northern Hotel in Fort Collins on Tuesday, January 18, at which awards were presented to the ten highest growers by Al Watson, local manager, and master of ceremonies. J. R. Mason, Colorado district manager, delivered a short talk. Harvey Johnson, director of the Beet Sugar Development Foundation, commented on the color pictures which were taken on a trip through Europe last fall by Phil Smith, director of the Foundation. These color films illustrated some features of beet production and harvesting methods in several European countries; fieldman Roy Marsh operated the projector for the pictures.

Manager Watson and his corps of men on the company farm one mile south of the factory experienced some real serious difficulties in trying to feed and take care of some 600 head of cattle during the blizzard in early January. However, their efforts were successful and no loss was sustained during the severe storm.

Saturday, January 22, we noticed a number of sugar tramps giving the new Chevrolet the once over at the local display room. It may be that some of us who are driving old wrecks might possibly be driving something better by the time we want to take some vacation in warmer weather.
Mr. and Mrs. Mart Schmode were caught in the storm on the highway between Cheyenne and Torrington, Wyoming, on the evening of January 2, while returning from a new year's day visit with friends and relatives at Scottsbluff, Nebraska. They finally got to Cheyenne where they were forced to remain for a few days. However, they report that there was hardly a dull moment, since the football special train bearing a group of Northwestern University students and rooters from the Rose Bowl game was also stranded in Cheyenne; and these students—with their cheer leaders, acrobats and musicians, really kept the guests at the Plains Hotel entertained with their stunts, yells, singing and so on.

Robert Walters, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Walters of Windsor, was married to Miss Bernadine Booher at Nevada, Iowa, her home town, on December 26. The young couple are living in Windsor where Robert is employed by the Standard Oil Company; and his wife is teaching at Park School where she has been employed for three years. William E. "Billy" Walters is manager of the company farm south of the sugar factory.

FORT COLLINS
DOER DYE, Associate Editor

The eager wind whines
O'er the icythermal lines.

MARKED improvement in operating efficiency was achieved in the campaign of '48 in comparison with the 1947 record, and everybody is happy!

Mrs. William Arnst, hospitalized by a fall on the ice, has returned home and is making satisfactory recovery. Howard Brooks guns with varied success for cottontails and other denizens.

Mr. and Mrs. Derald Whiting were among those snowed in near Wheatland.

Graveside rites for Otis E. Rogers, 62, formerly head pipe fitter here for many years, were conducted by officers and members of the Fort Collins Elks, of which Mr. Rogers was a Past Exalted Ruler. Mr. Rogers had retired some five years ago. Surviving relatives include Mrs. Rogers, a son, Ollie K. Rogers, and a grandson, Thad B. Rogers. Interment was at the Windsor cemetery.

Manager Ralph L. Patridge and Fieldman Elmer Facer attended the F. F. A. steak dinner in Denver.

If you have lost out on the latest anecdotes, contact Charlie Cochran.

Mr. and Mrs. Al. B. Connily and daughter Claudia are located at Greenville, Mississippi. Mrs. Connily is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Rasmussen.

Mrs. H. A. McElhone enjoyed an extended visit with her son-in-law and daughter, Major and Mrs. H. M. Deane and family in Fort Worth.

James N. Clark, 69, widely known here, died on November 19. At the time of his death Mr. Clark was assistant cashier of a local bank and from 1908 to 1914 was a member of the G-W organization, having been employed in the storeroom.

Since The Sugar Press is a quarterly, Mr. Ferril advises we avoid such statements as “last weekend.” How about “Lost Weekend?” I was certain somebody would crack that, weren’t you?

Our old friends, Robert B. Jessee, William (Scotty) Thompson and Bud Schelt, with proper ceremony, were presented gifts upon occasion of their retirement on December 31.

Bob Jessee entered G-W service here in 1910, on the old cold presses and was made Steffen foreman in 1930 and was such at time of retirement. During the shut-down here, he served in Sterling and Fort Morgan. To say that Bob will be missed around the mill in general and the Steffen house in particular, is to put it mild. But he will be busy looking after his vested interests and may fortune favor you, R. B. By the way, did anybody ever find out if Bob really did come from Missouri?

As you have guessed, “Scotty” Thompson first saw the light of day in Scotland. He came to the United States around 1905 as a herdsman and served in that capacity at the agricultural college here for some twelve years. He entered G-W service in 1917. He was lime kiln foreman until 1937 when he took up the duties of yard foreman and was watchman during intercampaign. If good fortune has a lick of sense she will follow Scotty, else look out for her horns. So continue to “look sharp, me lad.”

Bud Schelt began with G-W in Loveland in 1902 on hot presses and worked the first campaign in Collins. Bud cut sugar for a number of seasons and was entrusted with the duties of centrifugal foreman, beginning in 1919,
carrying on in that position until 1948. He too was watchman in inter-campaign. Bud is an expert with the rod and reel and likes to visit the apple country in the state of Washington. May there be a lot of Rainbows and Delicious with a German Brown and a Jon a than thrown in now and then.

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Rue were stranded in Loveland on their return from a holiday visit with their daughter and family. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Keating and little Cheryl, of Denver. Emil is an old timer in these parts and says he never saw such a blizzy blizzard in his born days.

Mrs. A. J. Fiolkoski is hospitalized in Denver at this writing and we are pleased to report is making satisfactory progress toward recovery.

Cashier Byron Albert was elected to handle the moolah for the local Elks Lodge. Likewise, Mrs. Byron Rooker for the Rebekahs.

Mrs. J. A. Balr visited the sons, Willard and Edward Bair who are students at Yale and Brown. Mrs. Bair made the trip by plane. J. A. tested his skill at steak frying in the absence of the Mrs.

Assistant Master Mechanic and Mrs. Ernest Taylor journeyed to Tucson for a visit with the daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Spoon.

The Spring lamb crop has begun to arrive at the Jess Stewart acres. Lucky thing you have roofs over their heads, Jess.

Cholly Cochran, Howard Brooks and Alex Kling, with the help of Henry Meyer and his locomotive crane, finished rolling the big steel plate for the Loveland boiler feed tank.

Ira Robbins helped on the inventory at the Windsor storeroom while Storekeeper Crosby was confined by illness.

The Lynn Pitchers were stormbound from Sunday to Friday, in Cheyenne, on their return from Scottsbluff.

Mr. and Mrs. I. L. (Red) Johnson took in the Skating Vanities show in Denver.

Lloyd Daniels crawls out early to beat the farmers to the pulp silo these mornings. Norman Metcalf is his chief assistant. At the silo we mean.

Oscar Wetzler, receiving station repair crew head, is busy these days looking over beet dump assets and liabilities.

Machinest E. C. Petersen was among those who remained at home rather than shovel through a twenty-foot snowdrift.

Fieldman A. R. Williams insulated his house just before the big cold snap struck.

Alex Wagner and R. Galyardt have added their names to the payroll.

Presentation of awards and general discussion for the good of the order were on the program at the annual "High Ten" dinner held here recently. A film depicting the cultivation of the sugar beet in Europe was presented by the Beet Sugar Development Foundation. Manager R. L. Partridge acted as M.C.

Assistant Master Mechanic John Sunderland traded his Model 1937 Terraplane in on a much later type Chrysler job.

Fred Taylor is confined to his home by illness at this writing. He is recuperating following several days spent at the hospital. We hope that by the time this is in print he will have completely recovered.

Timekeeper Chuck Lautenbach looked over the calves at the Stock Show.

Stenographer Vera Roselleve is an ice skating fan, together with daughter Mary Jane and son Jim.

Felix Michaud came to work one morning recently with a real cud of Climax. Anyway, his jaw stuck out like this.

Sam Moore designed a new type of union suit for cold weather, but before he could put it on the market the bottom dropped out.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Dey and son Donny are located at Flint, Michigan.

Joe Kittel went ice skating, fell down and cracked his looking glass. He had it in his pocket.

The finished product is moving out. Jack Eastman and the boys have been kept busy at the warehouse.

Fort Collins was honored by the State 4-H Club dinner held at the Student Union, Colorado A. & M. A program followed the dinner. Mr. J. R. Mason was M.C.

H. A. McHone was out for a time with an injured shoulder.

Archie Gifford and William Lass had to buck the big snow drifts to get to work from the West, as did Charlie Witte and Gabe Deines from the East. It wouldn't surprise me none if Don Morris went into the cleaning, pressing and altering business.

Mr. W. H. Eckis, 84, father of Mrs. Glen Shaffer, died at his home in Denver December 29. Mr. Eckis followed the carpenter trade and was a longtime Denver resident. Other than Mrs. Shaffer, he is survived by Mrs. Eckis who is in her 88th year, one son and two daughters.
William E. Thompson and Orin Eychner are trudging around in the snow with flashlights, on the watchman assignment.

Joe Moore’s little grandson says he isn’t the type who likes to dry dishes. Must take after his Grandpa.

Assistant Superintendent L. E. Michael and Sugar Boiler Glen Shaffer are making a close-range study of the evaporators.

Ray Darnell has some good snaps of his wife shoveling snow. We wanted one for the S.P., but no go.

Otto Nieder looks over thermometers and gauges in his spare time.

Well, it won’t be too long now, until such experts as Bob Moore, Cholly Foss and Jim Buckendorf can appeal to the feel of the creel and reel.

Wishful thinking department. Harry Harding says about all cold weather is good for is to make a trip to look over the southern beachnut crop.

I. H. Drennon is seeing to it that Accounts 201 and 202 don’t feel slighted.

Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Harris and son of Boulder, and Bob Harris of the University of Michigan, sojourned with parents here, Mr. and Mrs. Riley Harris.

This is off season for sugar boilers but Phil Kern and Jack Henderson are kept out of mischief by various jobs which pop up around.

O. O. Shellman is head pipe thawer. Judy Bushnell, 6, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Bushnell, partied company with her tonsils since our latest report.

Henry Michaud says he wants to hear no more cracks about the weather. Me, too.

Recognition for increased efficiency in the campaign just completed, was given the Fort Collins organization in the form of a dinner at the Armstrong Hotel on Wednesday, January 19. We showed an improvement of 2.12 over our final pennant rating of 1947. Superintendent R. L. Colwell, master of ceremonies, commended the outfit and introduced Mr. Kemp, Mr. Clark, Mr. Mason, Mr. Osborn, Mr. Criswell, Mr. Babbitt and Mr. Niehaus of the G.O. The chief address of the evening was presented by Mr. Kemp, who pointed out some of the obstacles found in the industry today and expressed confidence for the future of the beet sugar industry.

A. W. Cameron, of Johnstown, who ably handled an assistant superintendent assignment for us during campaign, was among those given the glad hand at our achievement award dinner.

See you in apple blossom time!

LOVELAND

V. V. HARTMAN, Associate Editor

CAMPAIGN closed November 30 after fifty-one days of operation. Interest in the performance of our rejuvenated plant was extremely high and all Pennant reports were eagerly scrutinized and digested. A disastrous first period could not be overcome by excellent performance the remainder of the Campaign. We finished in sixth place, outside the special rewards.

Another busy and interesting intercamaign of remodeling is now in progress. Major changes include the installation of two new high-pressure evaporators, necessitating the rearranging of three old effects. Three ribbon-type pans, heater changes and numerous pipe changes will complete the program of remodeling in the factory proper. Ninety-one men are now employed on the various jobs.

We welcome R. H. Boston, welder from Fort Collins, to assist in our work. His experience and ability will be of great help.

Miss Marie Lienert, having completed her work in the superintendent’s office, has accepted a position with the Montana Dakota Utility Company and will be located in Sheridan, Wyo., in connection with demonstration work for which she has been trained and is well qualified. The office won’t be the same without Marie.

Charles Bittiker, assistant master mechanic, after quite a siege of sickness of some two months duration is again on the job, apparently fully recovered and none the worse from his illness.

Superintendent and Mrs. Gonyou spent Christmas with his daughter and family in Oklahoma. He reports no particular difficulty in winter travel except for icy highways and some rain.

Paul Hermetet, Steffen foreman, underwent surgery in the Larimer County Hospital. Present reports indicate good progress and we hope for a fast recovery.

Many interesting visitors from abroad visited our plant toward the close of our run. Parties from England, Belgium, Sweden and Czechoslovakia were especially interested in the continuous battery, high pressure boilers and the new power unit.
Leslie Parker and wife, taking a fieldman’s vacation, motored to southern California, visiting his son and other relatives. Leslie was not too much impressed with the heating systems in California homes during the unusual weather conditions that prevailed during his visit.

We are glad to see Assistant Master Mechanic C. C. Rawson back on the job after an operation performed in Fort Collins, Curley is still a little off color and minus a few pounds which we trust will rapidly be regained.

Manager Whiting and wife visited in Grand Island before Christmas and then motored to Grinnell, Iowa, and returned with their daughter. Jane is a student at Grinnell College and spent the Holidays with her parents.

LONGMONT

A. B. STEPHEN and K. D. KNAUS, galloping to the rescue of FLORENCE FISHER, Associate Editor

Our congenial and popular janitor, Alban G. Marsh, died Nov. 13. He first became associated with the Company in Brush some thirty years ago. He later moved to Longmont where he held various positions in the mill, and on the dump repair crew. About ten years ago he became janitor in the offices, which position he held until his death. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Rose Marsh, two brothers R. K. Marsh of Denver, Paul Marsh of Billings, two sisters Miss Anna Estelle Marsh, and Mrs. J. G. Conner, both of Los Angeles, Cal., to all of whom we express our sympathy.

Hilmer Landis is our new janitor and the glad hand of welcome is extended to him. In no time he had the smoking members of the field department broken to the fact that the floor is not the proper place for ashes. Sanpers have been supplied for that purpose.

On the afternoon of December 22 a large group gathered in the beet room and held a small Christmas party. They consisted of the office staff, manager and field department, a large representation from the factory organization, the experimental station, seed house, and dump repair crew. Very tasty refreshments were served by the girls. After the disappearance of all the good cake, nuts and candy, ice cream, and coffee, A. B. Stephen called attention to the fact that they had an especial guest there that afternoon, and on behalf of those present presented to J. B. Hitt, our cashier, a handsome two-suit samsonite case, the occasion being his retirement from the Company as of January 1st, 1949. J. B., as he is familiarly known, first went to work for the Company in September 1905 in the office here at Longmont. In June of the following year he was transferred to Brush where that factory was in the course of construction. A year later he was moved to Greeley, where he was in the office for two years. In 1909 he was appointed cashier at Sterling, which position he held until May of 1916, when he returned to Longmont to assume a similar position, which he held until his retirement. He is at present taking life easy, going back and forth to Denver a good deal to spend as much time as the weather permits with his granddaughter, Susan Jane, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Krill (nee Mary Alice Hitt). The big accomplishment of the New Year was that under the careful tutelage of the grandfather the young lady took her first step and is now walking all around, preparing for her first birthday, January 30. Good luck to you J. B. and “Lang may yer lum reek.”

We welcome Harry Wadsworth from Bayard, Nebraska as our new cashier. We are all conscious of Harry’s presence, but all of us have not figured him out as yet. In the first place time-keeper Frank Wilson took sick before he was to start work under the new management, and did not recover for nearly a week; then stenographer Evelynne Cummings went down for the count with strep throat. Assistant time-keeper Alex. Hamilton moved in the house next door to the Factory so that he could get home in a hurry in case he fell a victim to these colds. At this stage of developments we are wondering whether this is a part of the new cashier’s sense of humor, of which we had advance notice, or whether this is just the result of our balmy winter weather.

Ann Brewbaker, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. H. E. Brewbaker, spent the holidays at the home of her parents. Ann is attending music school at Oberlin College in Oberlin, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Pedigo announce the arrival of a granddaughter on December 16. Her parents are Dr. and Mrs. Myron B. Pedigo.

Supt. and Mrs. J. B. McDonald took another jaunt to California over the holidays to visit their daughter, Mrs. W. V. Warner, husband and family,
at Inglewood. Jack reported the Rose Parade was wonderful and the roads coming home were good, as he only had 950 miles to contend with that had various depths of snow and ice.

James J. Shields, our assistant master mechanic, is spending a vacation at Hot Springs, N. M.

H. S. Varner with six other leading business men from this city were representatives at the meeting of the Colorado Resources Development Council which was held at the Shirley Savoy Hotel in Denver Nov. 16.

Mrs. Josephine Davis, mother of Mrs. Ben Pedigo, died at a Longmont hospital Dec. 8 after a two-months illness, following an attack of pneumonia. She had lived in this area since 1906, after moving from La Plata, Missouri where she was born.

John Evans, who worked for the company for thirty years, and was retired ten years ago, died at his home in Longmont December 23 at the age of 93.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Powell are the proud parents of a son born October 23. Mrs. Powell is the former Patty Slay, daughter of Millard Slay, and Leslie is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ross Powell.

Miss Dorothy Dietz, who worked in the office during the campaign of 1947, came home to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herb Dietz. Dorothy is now a private secretary to an attorney in Washington, D. C.

Jim Smith, son of Ivan Smith, warehouse foreman, left Longmont January 14 for Fort Ord, California, where he was inducted into the army.

R. Ralph Wood, associate agronomist of the Experiment Station staff, has recently been transferred to Longmont from Billings. We are happy to have you and Mrs. Wood among us, Ralph, and we hope you will like Longmont. Of course we know that Mrs. Wood is already in love with the place, because after less than two weeks residence here she won $300 worth of merchandise at a merchants' drawing. That does not happen to everyone however, as some people have lived here forty years and never won anything yet.

E. W. Shannon, our seed-cracking expert, kept up with the mumps, no we mean he went down with the mumps. What we want to say is that E.W. is down on the mumps, because the mumps had him down, but we do not think between Shannon and the mumps that the feeling is mutual.

Norb Cimiyotti and wife took a trip to Tulsa, Okla., during the holidays to visit relatives. The trip was made all OK but Norb did not like the brand of weather, claiming it was just as good or bad as here, so he hurried home to take the matter up with Pat Carey, who seems to have quite a little influence with Harry S. Truman (our President to you), in the hopes that something might be done about it.

Lewis French, one of the old standbys at this factory, dropped in at Christmas time to wish all the boys his best. He is now ranching at Cortez, Colorado.

Lieut. J. R. Stephen, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Stephen, listened to the nod of Uncle Sam and has returned to the army way of life. At present he is stationed at Camp Lee, Virginia, where he is taking a refresher course. His wife and two girls will join him on his assignment to a permanent post in about three months.

During the blizzard Mr. and Mrs. George B. Holmes adopted a nice healthy tomcat or it could be the cat adopted them, as it was very insistent on being admitted to their home the night we had the balmy wind with the snow thrown in. Tom spends his nights in the basement and prefers the fruit room where occasionally his conduct has not been of the best.

When K. D. Knaus took down his stocking Christmas morning he found therein a nice shiny blue 1948 two-door Fleetline Chevrolet. Kenny has since been busy herding over these snowy roads by Mead and Johnstown so that when beet contracting time comes along the car will know where to go to pick these contracts up.

Do you ever tune in on Station KTLN in Denver? At 7:30 A. M. they have a news broadcast by one Paul Blue. He was raised and received his early education in Longmont. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James V. Bluebaugh.

As of January 1, we had two other veteran employees who retired. J. C. Gwin, who first went to work for the company in 1909 in the sugar end, had been connected with the same department more or less for the past forty years. He became a permanent employee in 1918. Charles Manwell went to work for the company in 1910 as a mechanic, and has been here at this factory ever since, becoming a permanent employee in 1922. Both these fellows have earned this vacation and
we hope they will enjoy it and get caught up in their fishing and other recreations.

On December 16, Jo Ann Gwin arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Gwin. We expect that “Shorty” (J. C. Gwin) will now have more time to attend to the raising of his grandchildren.

C. E. Varner, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Varner, recently was graduated from the University of Colorado, as an aeronautical engineer. Prior to graduation he was initiated into Pi Tau Sigma, a national honorary fraternity, in which membership is attained thru scholarship, character and potentialities for a successful engineer career. Charles has accepted a position with the Douglas Aircraft Corporation at Santa Monica, California, to which point he set out in a nice two-tone Fleetline Chevrolet with his wife Elaine, and son Jamie. Good luck!

Brian H. Rundle, man about factory, came to work the other morning with not a single button on his coat or sweater. They had all popped off. He was soon seen walking all over the place with a box of cigars in one hand and candy bars in the other. The reason—another Brian H. Rundle had come to town and taken up residence at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rundle, so Grandpa Rundle will be busier than ever before.

Lamar Henry, who has been connected with the Experiment Station for the past two years, has been transferred to the agricultural department at this factory. He received a hearty welcome, and no doubt will get an excellent training if one can judge by the hearty laughter that emanates from the Fieldmen’s room. In his place comes William Foeppel from Brighton, Colo. Welcome too, Bill.

When Thomas H. Ferril’s letter of January 10 arrived, the local associate editor nearly threw a fit. Almost forgot to tell you her name, Miss Florence Fisher. She was swamped with work due to getting the “list” out and placed the situation before Superintendent McDonald. Jack came down to the Manager’s office saying he believed that as the fieldmen had nothing to do, some of them could get the items out. So there you have them.

Alan Carey was noticed sometime back wandering off the campus of Colorado A. & M. College. It was found he was seeking new worlds to conquer, as he was armed with a brand new sheepskin, indicative of his ability in economics. Congratulations and the best of luck, Alan. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Pat Carey. Pat has been a sugar boiler here for a long time.

The annual election of Local #22125 A. F. L. of Sugar Workers was held here January 7 and the following officers were elected. President A. V. Wetlauffer; vice president, Wm. Hamilton; secretary, Floyd Wheeler; treasurer, Arthur Runberg; and financial secretary, A. T. Pedigo.

The sympathy of our organization is extended to R. E. James of Kansas City on the death of Mrs. James. Mr. James is president of the International Sugar Workers Union.

Under the keen supervision of Al Nies and his gang, Pete Laybourn, A. T. Pedigo and Scotty Hamilton, the new washroom in the factory has been completed. It is a thing of beauty and a joy forever.

BRIGHTON
IRENE SWORD, Associate Editor

As these notes are written we are still shivering from the icy blasts of cold weather which we have experienced all through January. We promise not to complain about the weather when the temperature climbs upward next summer.

Jim Arnold, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Arnold, who was en route back to school in California, was one of those marooned at Rockport for two days during the severe storm early in January. He returned to Brighton as soon as the roads were opened and then continued on his way to California.

If the stacks of figures of estimated man-hours and estimated costs, etc. which were compiled by Supt. Burk, M. Mech. Schertel and Supt. Clerk Les Enwall are any indication of the amount of work to be done, it will be another busy summer for our boys. Since last campaign was shorter than usual, quite a bit of the work has been started in preparation for the next campaign. At this time installation of the powdered sugar equipment is under way.

Manager and Mrs. English enjoyed a visit from their son and his wife, Lt. Jg. and Mrs. James G. English, Jr., at Christmas time. Lt. English is with the regular navy and reported back for duty at Key West on January 15.

Traveling Auditor Bob Witmer spent several days with us during December.
Lee Taylor spent the holidays visiting in Kansas City and West Plains, Mo.

Our congratulations and best wishes to W. G. Foeppel in his new job at the Experiment station in Longmont. Bill has been a member of our agricultural staff about two years and has made many friends here. Mr. and Mrs. Foeppel and their small son, "Butch" plan to move to Longmont very soon as they were very fortunate in locating a house immediately.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Enwall have moved into the terrace formerly occupied by the Stallsworths.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hall enjoyed a vacation trip to California during the holidays. En route they visited the Grand Canyon, Hoover Dam, and other points of interest, and on New Year's Day they witnessed the Rose Bowl parade in Pasadena.

Oscar Lee, who was retired last August 1 after 44 years with the company, died at his home here on November 18 following a brief illness. We extend condolence to the family.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Hollemon have moved into their new home which was recently completed.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Wagy are occupying the terrace vacated by the Hollemsons.

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**FORT LUPTON**

MISS IMA BLUEJAY, Associate Editor

This has been a quiet, lonesome place since all those people left here last summer, but Jack Hansen is right here on the job every day. He's the caretaker, you know. He finished shipping the sugar out of the warehouse last fall.

Then in December several cars of beet seed and phosphate were shipped in and some fellows from Brighton came down and stored it all in the warehouse.

Floyd Ball was confined to his home for some time because of illness but he is feeling better now and is able to be out again.

Joe Witherow, Lee Alden and Floyd Ball, the fieldmen, seem to be very busy with some agricultural reports. Maybe they're getting ready to write beet contracts (lots of them, we hope). Lowell Bond and his family moved over to Bayard about the first of the year. Wonder if it's still snowing over there.

That's all now. I think I'll fly south, maybe to Brighton, for the rest of the winter.

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**JOHNSTOWN**

JERRY DONAHUE, Associate Editor

The Johnstown factory began the 1948-49 campaign November 3 at 6:00 P.M. The first couple of days were slow but after that we started to work the molasses at a rapid pace and reached our capacity faster than had ever been done before in the history of the plant. The usual troubles and delays have occurred but luck has been with us and no serious calamities have struck as yet.

We welcome back all the old-timers and extend a glad hand to the new men.

The recent blizzard resulted in shortage of help but thru the noble efforts of many men who worked 16-hour shifts and slept the off 8 here at the factory we managed to keep the mill running on schedule.

Asst. Supt. Hank Wolf's large 14-point buck was proclaimed winner of the Poudre Canyon Association's deer contest. Hank bagged his deer in the vicinity of the narrows in the Poudre Canyon. He was awarded $150 worth of prizes.

Cashier Harry Koenig has been seen in overalls a few times lately much to the amazement of the crew. When questioned about this Harry said it was time again for the storeroom's annual inventory. Did anyone catch Timekeeper John Bossert working in the storeroom?

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Ray Glaser a new son at 5:00 A.M., October 25, 1948. Congratulations!

Pipefitter Sam Lanham was severely burned around the face and shoulders with sulfuric acid Nov. 7. Sam has not returned to work yet, January 19, but we understand he is getting along as well as can be expected. Here's to a speedy recovery, Sam!


We welcome to Johnstown Machinist George Kidd from Fort Morgan and Henry Boxberger, welder, from Eaton.

Asst. Master Mechanic Rex Miller, has returned to us from Loveland. Rex claims to be dieting, but we can't say he looks any thinner. His lunch usually consists of hard-boiled eggs, pickles and popcorn balls which seems like a mighty odd diet. How about it Rex?

Ancil Cameron brought two parties of sugar tramps over from Fort Collins on November 16 and 17.
Visitations have been made by students from Colorado University, Wyoming University and Denver University. The C. U. junior engineers were here November 13, Wyoming students on December 4, and approximately 40 young engineers from Denver on November 20, 1948.

The entire crew was happy about the promotion of George Morgan to master mechanic. George has been a sugar tramp for a good many years and entirely merits his new position.

Bill Miller, young shift electrician, not yet familiar with all sugar terms, was instructed to print "Grosse Pan" upon a certain switch box. He did what came natural and printed Gross "A" pan.

In the last issue of the Sugar Press we mentioned about our horseshoe tournament that was in progress. The final results were: first, Bill Tregoning, second, Buss King, and third, Vern Tregoning. Prizes were awarded these three men.

Another puzzle developed when our telephone book was missing one morning. Manager Heinie Zisch and the writer searched the entire office but our search proved fruitless as the book was not uncovered. Two days later we found it in the Denver mail with the following note attached, "No good numbers so am returning telephone directory," signed—Frank Gunther. Is it really the numbers Frank? Some say it might be old age creeping up!

Charlie Horne, chief chemist from Fort Lupton, is here now helping on odd jobs.

John Schnieder, Orville McQueen and Delmar McQueen were involved in an automobile accident on their way to work January 9. The car was damaged quite badly but luckily the three men were not injured seriously. Orville was taken to the hospital for treatment, but was back on the job within a few days.

Asst. Chemist Ray Glaser spent a week at Fitzsimons hospital in Denver recuperating from ailment incurred while in the army. We are glad to report he is back on the job now. During Ray's absence, Johnny Farlow and Lloyd Sybrandt worked twelve-hour shifts.

Charles Venis, Roscoe Sampson and Rex Miller did a nice job of decorating our Christmas tree. The traditional cigars were passed on Christmas Eve and Christmas day.

Since the first of the year Master Mechanic George Morgan and Assistant Master Mechanic Rex Miller have been spending most of their time in the master mechanic's office. When asked about this, the blame was put upon this year's maintenance list. A few think the new pin-up girl calendar is the principal reason.

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MOTT CANNON, Associate Editor

The campaign of 1948 being a thing of the past, and various and sundry machines and pipes and stuff having been inspected, and this data handed in to the compilers of the maintenance list, we breathe a sigh of pure relief.

Congratulations Billings on a super run.

Work was hampered some by the storm which will go down in Colorado history as one of the worst.

Thanks to the foresight of Supt. George Atkinson and Master Mechanic Fern Barnhart, when the town of Ovid and the surrounding community were cut off from electricity and water the factory could act as a stand-by.

Anybody needing enlightenment on the expression "Molasses in January"
The snows of Lower Slobbovia have nothing on Ovid. Upper left, looking toward the street from Manager John Stewart's garage; right, Supt. George Atkinson's igloo; lower left, the ski course separating Chief Chemist Paul Grissinger's house left and the home of Asst. Supt. Walt Pash; right, Highway 138.

is advised to consult with Sugar End Foreman Jack Peyrouse who has been unloading foreign molasses in sub-zero weather.

Cashier John Schrade and family motored to Nebaska to visit with friends over the new year. When he did not put in an appearance on the 4th, everyone was anxious, partly on account of the possibility that John might be stumbling blindly in a snow drift and partly that on the 5th would be pay day.

Timekeeper Ralph Smith saved the day when he broke through from Julesburg in his trusty Nash with the help of two snow weasels. John finally showed up after all the work was caught up.

Asst. Supt. Jack Whittier with Beet End Clyde Kemper and Dryer Foreman Eugene DeManche have tested and repaired all pans and are now looking for other worlds to conquer.

Now and then we catch a glimpse of Chief Electrician Ford Kime; seems as though they are having trouble with the stoker in the Great Western Building.

Asst. Master Mechanic Alex Fritzler, Charles Woodhams, Walt Dunham, Herman Bauer and Sam Scott have just about completed the centrifugal machines and the installation of a conveyor for the sacking station.

Asst. Supt. Walt Pash prays daily for cars for sugar loading.

Dryer Foreman Nick Bretz keeps the truckers supplied with dried pulp.

Asst. Master Mechanic Whiteside is happy again juggling pieces of main engine. He is ably assisted by Floyd Miller, Judd Russell and Bob Weisgerber.

Asst. Master Mechanic Cliff Davis, supported by Ralph Hays, Maynard Laufman Jim Stokes, Erwin Henry and Ed Schafer, have the boiler house and juice and water pumps backed into a corner by now.

Beet End Foreman Al Fox is again overhauling valves. Yours truly furnishes the moral support.

Asst. Supt. Ben Williams, Harvey Wood, Pat Hewgley and Del Lay are polishing off the battery.

Thursday, January 20, we were guests at a dinner given by the officers of the Denver Office in recognition of outstanding advancement in performance over the previous campaign. Members of the Denver office present as hosts include Messrs. Niehaus, Roach, Mason, Clark, Hartburg and Schneider. After a delicious dinner very interesting and instructive talks
were given. Master Mechanic Fern Barnhart and Storekeeper Newt Cannady were two of the hardier members who ventured forth to attend the Stock Show in Denver. Snap shots inclosed give some idea of snow fall in Ovid. Now if John Bell can get these remarks typed and in Denver by yesterday morning he will be something super.

Lena Walter, stenographer, left us during campaign to marry Allyn Lockwood. They are residing at Kimball, Nebraska. Our loss is Allyn's gain. Our heartiest congratulations are extended to both of them. We are happy to welcome Evelyn Cleary, wife of Robert D. Cleary, assistant storekeeper, to take Lena's place. John M. Farmer, assistant fieldman, who joined us the beginning of beet harvest from the Holdrege, Nebraska, territory has resigned his position to go into the livestock and ranching business with his father at Frannie, Wyoming.

How Grissinger Got Snowed In

A PERSONAL angle on the Ovid storm situation was described in a note to Sidney J. Osborn, general chemist, from P. M. Grissinger, chief chemist at Ovid. Mr. Grissinger wrote as follows:

"We really had a storm here, and it was especially bad in the west part of town, and north of the main highway. The west street was under 6 to 7 feet of snow. We live on the next street east, and it was the next worst. The street has been shoveled out about two-thirds of the way.

"The drifts at my house were up to the eaves of the house on the south side, and nearly as high on the north side, but they were not right against the house. My driveway is full of snow 7 feet deep, and it will be some time before I will get my car out, as there is no place to shovel the snow.

"When I went to go out of the house Tuesday evening, when we had a lull for a couple of hours, I could not open either door, as both had screen doors which opened out, and as both were covered with translucent plastic, I could not see out. I finally went out a window, and found six feet of snow against the back door, and the front door, which is on a screened in porch had four feet of snow against it, and the porch was almost full of snow.

"At our mansion now, you go down several snow steps to land on the front porch, and the same is true for the back door.

"However, I should have known enough to nail the screen doors open when the storm started, but we did not expect it to be so bad. As all the window screens were blown full, except one, we could not see just what was happening, except through the one window, and we could not even see the house next door to us.

"It began to blow again about 5:30 Tuesday evening, and all the snow shoveling that had been done during the hull was filled in. The state tried to run a plow through our street Monday night, but gave up after they found it impossible to do so. The state had a rotary plow and opened the main highway through here Thursday evening, but they were only interested in the main highway. The drifts were too great for the conventional butterfly plow on a bull-dozer.

"The storm was rather freakish, as the drifting was localized to certain districts. The house across the alley from us is two stories, and it is drifted up to the eaves."
rived at Winnipeg it was 30 degrees below zero.
Dominic Vecchia, one of our watchmen who also lives on a tract near town, could not get in to work for two or three days.

During the worst of the storm two watchmen were assigned to each shift.
Solomon Luft, one of our local boys and brother of our stenographer, Marie, made the headlines during the recent storm. Sully, who leases the Municipal airport at Chadron, Nebraska, has been almost continuously on rescue flying missions since. He dropped food and other necessities to the two isolated towns of Harrison and Gordon, and cotton seed cake and hay to starving cattle and sheep. It was Sully who spotted the frozen body of the truck driver near Gordon. Sol's brother, David, who had much experience on Japanese bombing missions, assisted in the efforts of mercy.

John Reed, a student at Colorado University and Jerome, a student at Colorado A. & M., spent the Christmas holidays with their parents.
Alice Willis has returned to her studies at Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois.

Fieldman William Outcalt has received word that his son Charles, C.B.M., U. S. Navy, arrived in San Francisco on December 23 after spending two and one-half years at Pearl Harbor. He will be assigned to shore duty on the West coast.

Keith Matteson has enrolled at Denver University.

Paul Drake, who has been with us for the past year as student fieldman, has resigned to take up sheep ranching in Wyoming. We hope, Paul, you have not yet started.

Glen and Mrs. Armstrong recently visited the Mayo clinic for a check-up. No serious ailment was discovered.

The maintenance list is finished and typed, and we noticed "Chief" Myers sharpening a new red pencil, preparatory to the annual visit to Denver on the list. He thought one would be sufficient.

Don and Pat Latta have a new member in their household. They brought their home on December 11, a little boy eleven days old. The baby has been named Scott Dennis, which could be S.D. (Special Delivery). Grandpa Jack Kennedy, thinks he is the brightest baby he has ever seen, not barring his own, and that's some admission.

The 4-H club winners and their fathers were royally entertained by the Company at Fort Collins, and the F. F. A. boys and their fathers at Denver. A party will be given for the Ten High growers on February 1.

Beet seed processing for the 1949 crop was begun on January 5, under the supervision of Don Latta.

Mrs. Lenora Myers is back again this year to help on the germination end of the beet seed.

It was with deep regret that we heard of the sudden death of Frank Hargreaves. Frank endeared himself to all of us during his time at Sterling, and our heartfelt sympathy goes out to Mrs. Hargreaves and children.

BRUSH
W. K. LANE, Associate Editor

On Sunday afternoon, Jan 2, it began to snow here and by midnight strong winds were blowing with a continuing snow. The result was that by early Monday all train and auto traffic was paralyzed and drifts higher than an automobile were reported on the Brush-Ft. Morgan highway. Traffic to the north into Wyoming and Nebraska was not resumed for several days. Several deaths by freezing, mostly of stranded motorists occurred in the midwest region with heavy losses to livestock also reported.

The many friends of J. Y. (Jim) Henderson, Great Western fieldman, were saddened to learn of his death due to a heart attack Monday, Jan. 3, while shoveling snow from his walks during the heavy storms of Jan. 2nd and 3rd. Mr. Henderson has been associated with the company for the past 33 years, the major portion of this time as a fieldman. He is survived by his wife Pattie, two nephews, Don, and Mickey and a niece, Ellen Berry and three brothers and three sisters.

As we go to press, Superintendent Jones and Master Mechanic Karns are in Denver working on the maintenance list for the coming year.

Asst. Manager J. D. Petrikin and Asst. Supt.'s Kidwell and Urbach attended the Beet Sugar Technical Society meeting held recently in Denver.

Illness has confined George Hardgrove, Assistant Master Mechanic to his home the past week.

Ralph Bristol reports the purchase of a home recently on Turner St. Ralph expected to be moved by Feb. 1st.

Frank Tate, Harry Daily, R. C. Bretzke and Carl Lorenzen attended a Central Body meeting of the Sugar Refiner's Union at Greeley, on Friday.
evening, Jan. 21. Mr. Niehaus addressed the meeting and an open forum was held.

Harvey Baughman, sugar end foreman employed here in different capacities for 31 years, has retired due to illness.

Doss Hutcheson is back on the job again after a week's illness resulting from a strained back while working in the sugar warehouse.

Chief Chemist Jack Huleatt and his wife have returned from a visit with their son and family in San Bernardino. Ask Jack what the elevation above sea level of Laramie, Wyo. is and you'll get a correct answer. It seems that the Huleatts' train got tied up by the storm at Laramie and their car stopped in such a position that the elevation marker on the depot was easily visible. After staring at it for a couple of days Jack says he'll never forget it to the inch.

Wayne Stenback, Superintendent's clerk, has obtained a "Ham radio operator's" license and is building an 80-watt transmitter. He hopes to get in touch with Hawaii and South America any day now. It seems that Brush now has four or five such stations.

FORT MORGAN

A. H. BURDETT, Associate Editor

LET'S start these notes by congratulating Billings, the winner of the 1948 Pennant race, also Windsor for showing, and Brush for placing.

Manager J. L. Williams and family chose the time of the recent storm to be vacationing at Phoenix, Arizona.

Fieldman Lowell Giauque and his wife drove to Los Angeles, California, for a winter vacation.

We welcome John A. Zeckman, Jr., and family of Gering, Nebraska. John is our newest fieldman. The Zeckmans

N. J. Musacvitch took the upper picture showing a rotary snowplow, moved in from Monarch pass, cleaning the highway between Fort Morgan and Brush, Jan. 2. Both the lower pictures were taken on Vern Hall's farm. The girl in both is his daughter Lois.
are making their home at 621 1/2 East 6th Avenue. John is sporting a new Ford car.

Superintendent Muscavitch and Master Mechanic Iverson have been busy supervising the writing of the maintenance list. All in the organization have had a hand in getting the list finally put out.

Miss Harriet Lore, a student at Colorado College, spent the holidays at the home of her parents, Cashier and Mrs. F. H. Lore.

Also home for the holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Darrel Lingle and Darwin Lingle, sons of Assistant Superintendent and Mrs. Everett Lingle. Both boys are attending Colorado State College at Greeley.

Edgar Williams, son of Beet End Foreman and Mrs. E. O. Williams, visited at home over the holidays. Edgar was initiated into Eta Kappa Nu, national honorary electrical engineering fraternity, at the University of Colorado.

Jimmy Bachar, also of the University of Colorado, visited his parents, Assistant Superintendent and Mrs. C. R. Bachar, over the holidays.

Gerald Muscavitch spent the holidays with his parents, Superintendent and Mrs. N. J. Muscavitch. Gerald is a student at Colorado A. and M. at Fort Collins.

Also home from Colorado A. and M. was Elton Hall, son of Mr. and Mrs. Vern Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Woods spent Christmas with relatives in Nebraska. He is our dump foreman.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard A. Schaal spent Christmas with relatives at Polk City, Iowa. Howard took the hard way and used the best part of the three sets of chains getting back to work on time.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Smith also vacationed East. They took the "traveling cushions" on the Zephyr to Chula, Missouri. They reported a very pleasant trip with plenty of turkey over the holidays.

D. H. Drew, W. W. I. B. Inspector, had the misfortune to be hit by a car while crossing the street near his home. Dan suffered some broken ribs, a cut above the eye, and a bruised leg, but is back on the job feeling O. K. again.

Harry Scilley is back on the job after being off a few days with a bruised foot when an I-beam caught him while pulling a hose on the Silver diffuser during "clean-up."

Roy Curvey, retired sugar boiler, has been on the sick list but from the last report, is able to be around again. Roy's biggest worry is to lose 20 pounds of weight which means less peanuts.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Good, living at 319 Prospect Street, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on the 12th of January. Mr. Good was Cashier at the Brush factory when he was retired. We offer our best wishes and congratulations to this couple.

Fort Morgan was lucky in that the storm the first of January was not as severe as in other parts of the country. A few of the boys living in the country were absent until the roads could be cleared. Those snowed in were Vern Hall, from the Wildcat; Dope Patton, from the Bijou Flats; Kenneth Dobner, from Snyder, and George Spence and Chuck Heffner, from the Country Club District.

The organization here wishes to extend our condolences to Mrs. James Henderson and children of Brush upon the death of her husband who was formerly a fieldman here and who will be missed by a great number of acquaintances and friends.

Friday evening, January 14th, the local union put on their annual dance and feed at the Farmers Union Hall, east of town, for their members and invited guests. Circles, squares, and a few hops made the evening last until morning. A few boys were conspicuous by their absence—could it be no poker games?

Mrs. Conrad Urbach is convalescing after a minor operation at the local hospital. We hope her speedy recovery.
floor. He sustained a fractured heel and ankle bone and will be laid up for some time.

We all deeply regret the accident which befell Matt Brennan while he was doing disaster relief work with his plane after the recent storm. We sincerely hope for Matt's speedy recovery.

Lee Whipple has been ill at home for a few days.

Reverting again to the weather, it hasn't been exactly what you would call a "summer outing" for the men who are building the new seed-cracking plant and warehouse. J. E. McAlister and his crew, John Lenz, Henry Kuplik, Oley Goos, George Durnin, Bus Hight, Adam Herdt and Zeke Rice have been on the steel and transite job every day that the temperature and wind velocity have been bearable. The buildings are now completely enclosed. Along with the steel work, George Luce and Bill Lohrie have kept their electrical work apace, as well as the pipewriters, Lee Gibbons and Keith Bigsby. The dump repair crew were also on the job running the foundations for both buildings and taking care of the erection of the Steelox warehouse building. Now that both buildings are entirely enclosed and heat has been provided in the mill building, the setting of the equipment will proceed at a rapid pace regardless of the weather.

A new hobby which has sprung up is the raising of "hamsters," those small, tailless rodents, which can be raised in the basement or any other relatively warm enclosure. Roy Babbitt has a pair and Peck Snyder's grandsons are also in the business. The problem of taking care of the future generations will soon begin, since these little animals are noted for their speed at "multiplication." Guinea pigs and rabbits are just amateurs in comparison.

At this time of year we like to report on our Sugar Workers Credit Union, but we must share this with the other factories in the Nebraska District. The officers are: L. H. Calvert, Bayard; P. W. Snyder, Geo. Burrows, Al Ruth, Harry Hood, Don Cross and O. W. Dwyer, all of Scottsbluff; Geo. Howard and Edward Bott of Gering; Herald Curtis and Don Hansen of Mitchell; and Theodore Turnbull and Jack Runge of Lyman. We ended the year of 1948 with assets of $26,430, with loans of $22,894 outstanding. During the year we loaned a total of $46,144 to members. We have 203 members with average savings of $114 each.

Our earnings will be sufficient to pay a 2% dividend, after providing for the reserves which are required under our federal charter. We feel rather proud of this organization, especially when we remember that it started just nine years ago with seven members and $35 in capital.

Mrs. C. C. Adams has been admitted to a hospital in Denver.

The Farrell Conns have moved into their new house in Gering. It is of clay tile construction, built on a concrete base, with tile floors throughout. Completely insulated, it is equipped with radiant heating from copper coils installed in the ceiling and the temperature within is maintained at any desired point, regardless of the temperature outside. The boiler operation is controlled by a thermostat located outside of the house. Farrell and Mrs. Conn are very proud of their new abode, especially so, since they engineered the construction themselves, with the very able help and advice of Lloyd Jensen, superintendent at the Gering Plant.

The "Blizzard of '49" will not soon be forgotten. Most of us had an enforced vacation of three days when we were unable to reach the office. And the cold weather continues—it is getting to the place where we think it is warm when the temperature gets up to zero.

Gordon Hobert, fieldman at Scottsbluff, and his family spent a very pleasant Christmas vacation in California, where they saw the Rose Bowl game and Parade of Roses. Their return was somewhat delayed by the blizzard as they were held up in both Ogden and Laramie, on the return trip.

C. B. Jones has been enjoying the prolonged visit of his grandson and granddaughter and their mother from Boulder. His son, Bob, and family came over to spend the Christmas holidays. Because of the blizzard Bob returned to Boulder alone, leaving his family here.

Mr. and Mrs. McMaster spent a very pleasant vacation with their daughter in Florida, returning home just after the big blizzard. They reported a wonderful trip with no bad roads or weather until they got back to Nebraska.

Mr. Clement, who has recently been in the hospital, is convalescing at home.

Don Cross and family spent Christmas at Hastings, Nebraska. While there he also attended the wedding of
his sister.
Roy Schaffer and family spent a vacation in Oklahoma during December, returning home the day before the blizzard. They were completely snowbound at their country home for a week or so after the blizzard. Roy reports that he and his hired man got cut the “Doctor Book” and studied up to be ready for an emergency should an expected baby decide to put in its appearance at the home of the hired man before the mother could be taken to a hospital or a doctor could break through the snow blockade. Fortunately the emergency did not arise.
Al Ruth was a recent victim of the flu and was confined to his home for two or three days.
Dick Toops, one of the draftsmen, had quite an experience during the recent storm, and when we say storm WE MEAN JUST THAT.
Dick, along with many local fliers, was helping in observation flights over this area, locating stranded farmers who needed food and medical aid. He happened to be in the plane that started from Scottsbluff Airport to pick up our master mechanic, Matt Brennan, at Mitchell after his accident. After landing a few miles out of Chadron, the pilot decided he would be unable to return with two of the men who had gone on the trip with him, so Dick and another helper were left at a farm house. After spending two days or more in a “snow-bound” area he finally got to Alliance and was brought home. Dick says they didn’t have too much food and the floor was not “too soft.” Anyway we gathered he was plenty happy to return to “good old Scottsbluff.”

GERING

George Goldfain, Associate Editor

BRRRRR—50 mile-an-hour wind—15 below zero—15 foot snow drifts—
Who called this the banana belt?
Such has been life in this valley for the past 30 or more days beginning with our Christmas holidays. The North Platte valley seemed to be almost in the center of that devastating storm and many folks barely escaped death when caught in the storm and were marooned out on the highways for several days.
Many of the boys who were visiting at the homes of their parents during the Christmas holidays were marooned at home for a longer vacation than they anticipated—among them were Darrel Davidson from Colorado U., Dick Goldfain from Nebraska U., and William Arvin Reynolds of Nebraska U.

Mrs. C. H. Scott returned home from California to her Gering home. Four inches of snow near Los Angeles was too much to put up with so Mrs. Scott headed for milder climate in Nebraska, only to arrive in Scotts Bluff County where the weather is perfect—for hibernation.

Adam Sinner, Omer Kelly and Melvin Yocum commuted for a short time to Minatare, moving equipment from the Minatare plant for the Scottsbluff seed plant—and the boys claim that the temperature inside that Minatare building was no less than 30 degrees colder than out of doors.

Asst. Supt. “Cotton” Gibbons returned to his custodian’s duties at Minatare after completing campaign work here at Gering.

Fieldmen have been busy compiling
15-year averages of yields and sugar content.

Fieldman Dave Sunderland's activities were happily interrupted by the arrival of Sharon Alexis Sunderland, weight 5 lbs. 4 ounces, length 20 inches, dark hair, soprano voice, and mother is doing fine. Congratulations to Mrs. and Mr. Sunderland on the arrival of a princess. Time of arrival—January 15.

Bert Holmes, our Lake Minatare dryer foreman, was marooned for several weeks at his lake farm behind mountainous snow drifts and many worried as to the safety of the family. Contact was finally established with the home via county grader equipment and Bert reports the loss of a number of good-sized porkers on his own place.

Our genial, diminutive, cute little stenographer, Mrs. Rena Gross, recently resigned her position to help her husband in the management of a grocery and filling station business in the Lake Alice community. We all wish them good fortune, and don't any of you Lake Alice fishermen forget to stop in at the store and quaff a coke while cooling off.

Paul Melton, recently employed at a Lakewood, Colorado, bank, has taken Rena's place and we wish to welcome the Melton family to our G-W group. They are no strangers to this community, as Paul worked at the Gering National Bank before journeying to Colorado.

Mrs. Stella Callahan, mother of Cashier Doug Callahan, passed away at her home in Scottsbluff after a brief illness.

Omar W. Stallings, father of Bruce Stallings, our beet end foreman, died at his home in Denver. Mrs. Nettie Goldfain, mother of George Goldfain, our chemist, passed away at her home in Denver, after a long period of illness.

Colonel E. W. Davidson, brother of Hal Davidson, our sugar end foreman, died at his home in Rye, New York. We wish to extend condolences and heartfelt sympathies to the families in the loss of their dear ones.

Mr. Clement, our manager, was confined for a short period at the Methodist Hospital, and we are glad to report that he is up and around and in good health and spirits.

Frank Quinn journeyed to California during December to preside at the convention of the Pacific Coast Sugar Worker's Council. Frank substituted for R. E. James, president of the Na-
A W. Reinholtz, better known as “Slim,” long a resident of Minatare, was retired on January 1 and the boys presented “Slim” with some timely wearing apparel. Slim first worked on construction at Gering in 1916, then on construction at Bayard in 1917, then acted as boiler house foreman at Gering in 1918-19-20. During the inter-campaign he was employed as a foreman on Winter Creek Canal construction from 1918 to 1921. Construction attracted him to the building of the Mitchell and Minatare factories in 1920 and 1921. After acting as boiler house foreman at Mitchell from 1922 to 1925 he moved to Minatare and was boiler house foreman until the closing of the mill in ’41 when he occupied himself as foreman at Mitchell until 1943, whence he came to Gering and was our boiler house foreman until Jan. 1949. The boys will miss his smiling countenance and expert technique in the boiler house operations. Come back and visit us soon, “Slim.”

The latest Scotch technique has just been brought to the attention of this column, as regards the art of getting your deep snow moved and shoveled out of your driveway. As soon as it has stopped snowing, order a ton or two of coal delivered to your house and let the coal yard men shovel or move your snow out of the driveway. However, one should use certain amount of finesse in that art of guile—and, oh, for further advice in that respect, consult Russell Johnson of Scottsbluff.

Gering concluded one of its shortest campaigns on record, and shall we say, due to circumstances slightly beyond the control of the boys, we just missed that chicken dinner by a chicken’s neck. Look out in ’49!

BAYARD

CROCUS MARTIS, Associate Editor

A BOUT the biggest thing in this country to write about is the big blizzard of ’49. Exactly unlucky thirteen men were at work one day during the height of the storm and none of them would have been there if they had really thought much about the weather. Drifts high enough to bury a car, if you could get a car out of the garage, were all over town. No trains either way through town for a week the first part of January and as we write our notes, we haven’t seen any mail from Denver for three days. Here’s hoping our seed catalog comes through!

Burt Purvis, who hasn’t been able to return to work since campaign, is seriously ill. His son, Burt, former battery foreman, has been called home to see his dad. We all hope to see Burt make a speedy recovery and get back on the job.

It was with deep regret that we learned of the death of Mrs. Scott Brummitt, February 1. Our sympathy goes out to Scott who had retired December 31.

Scott started with the Company October 27, 1916, working for the Imperial Land Company and later for the sugar company, driving a truck between the Scottsbluff and Gering factories. A. H. Heldt, seeing the apparent abilities of the truck driver, commissioned Scott a fieldman and assigned him to the then new and untried DeGraw territory. From this territory he was transferred to Mitchell factory where he was fieldman until return to Bayard district in 1936. Scott recently built a new home four miles north of town.

Another who retired December 31 was our veteran sugar end foreman Joe Scrivner.

Joe started his career with the Great Western at Fort Collins on October 7, 1915, coming to Bayard on construction work in 1917. After building the factory, he made himself useful about the place at several jobs, including that of W. W. inspector, sugar boiler and, for the past twenty three years, sugar end foreman. Joe, who is the champion goose shooter of the organization, is also a cracker-jack gardener and the boys are expecting to still partake of the Scrivner horn of plenty when and if ever summer comes.

To both these men the entire organization gives its sincere good wishes for the years to come and also that they will come in often to see us.

We are searching high and low for a good stenographer to take the place of Ann Anderson who has given us her resignation effective February 25. Any girl who takes Ann’s place has to be good in more ways than one for Ann has done a splendid job here and everyone is going to miss her. Her plans, while not complete as we go to press, include some sort of social work for the Episcopal church.

On December 29, the men in the mill sent former cashier, Harry Wadsworth,
on his way to Longmont with good wishes and a billfold, card case and keytainer. Amiable Harry, in expressing his thanks to the men, gave them his new address in Longmont and told them to stop in on their Colorado fishing trips. Harry leaves a deep gap to be filled in the ranks of Bayard people as he served his former community as a member of the school board, his church board, the Scout committee and his lodge as master. We hope that Longmont takes advantage of all these attributes.

Lowell Bond, former cashier at Fort Lupton and erstwhile working in the Denver office, succeeds Wadsworth. The Bonds are firmly snowed in in their new home in the former Wadsworth domicile across from the factory. We welcome them to Bayard.

Al Kosmicke bought himself a new 1949 Chevrolet but a lot of good that does him since he hasn't been able to get to that nationally famous snowed in town of Gordon, Nebraska to take delivery. When the last bit of ice and snow has disappeared and the robins start to chirp we may get to see that new car.

Newly elected officers of the Bayard Local installed January 14 in the Odd Fellows' hall include: Otis George, president; Al Stewart, vice-president; John Ankeny, secretary and Floyd Black, treasurer.

Superintendent Bristol and Master Mechanic Hartney have been sweating over the maintenance list with the assistance of Chris Moberg, Charlie Comstock, Gordon Gardner, Hap Calvert, Floyd Mitchell, Clyde Spangler, Al Stewart and Jim Wimmer. As we go to press Mr. Rienks and Mr. Hooper have grasped firmly the censor's shears and we don't know yet how much snipping has been done. It may be that this year we will get rid of all our sugar.

Among those snowbound during the big blow was Ernie Harris' boy and his daughter-in-law. After several days of waiting to hear from them, Ernie found that they were among the 200 persons marooned at Rockport, Colorado. Needless to say Ernie's anxiety considerably decreased with this information.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Ginn escaped being caught in the blizzard by arriving home just before it on December 30. They enjoyed a holiday visit with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Booth, Jr. and daughters in Corona Del Mar, California. Their Chrysler proved equal to the occasion and helped make the entire trip enjoyable.

Otto Stelk attended the stock show in Denver and came back not a little bewildered at the high price of steaks on the hoof. Accompanying the Stelks as far as Longmont was Mary Jean Wadsworth, who had stayed in Bayard to finish the school semester. The Stelks report that the Wadsworths are comfortably settled in their new home albeit Harry can't get his car in or out of the basement garage.

Notable among the non-resident fieldmen are Augie Heldt and Tom Nida who put in an appearance in the office since January 1. Abe Spurgin and Jack Elliott no doubt would have been around if Old Man Winter hadn't shut them in, but we must presume that they are resting comfortably in a nook near the stove dozing and dreaming of bigger and better beets. We hope.

Grandparents Charlie and Mrs. Nin­ egar thoroughly enjoyed a Christmas holiday season with their children and grandchildren. Charlie reports that his grandson who lives in California built a snow man as a result of the "unusual" weather in that state.

Sugar Gives Most Food Per Acre of Land—Hockett

"Sugar gives a far bigger yield of food per acre of land devoted to its production than any other product," states Dr. Robert C. Hockett, scientific director of the Sugar Research Foundation. "This fact has been recognized in Europe for a long time," he continues. "Such countries as Czechoslovakia, Belgium, Switzerland, Sweden and England are highly populated and do not have very ample acreages of arable land. In all these countries the sugar beet is an important crop and its cultivation has been encouraged as a means of getting the most food possible out of the available land.

"I do not hesitate to say categorically that sugar is one of our most important basic resources," the director concludes.

Beets Stimulate Trade

Every ton of sugar beets produced involves a trade movement of nine tons of other commodities, according to a recent report on the British beet sugar industry.
MITCHELL
B. S. PLENTY, Associate Editor

BLIZZARD: We have had enough to last us the rest of the season. Really we should enjoy the handiwork of nature and take it in our stride. Winter Wonderland, yes, what do we do about it, just huddle closer to the stove, instead of getting out and ski, sleigh ride, etc. Yes Sir, guess we’re really hot house plants. Looking at it from the other side it makes things pretty gloomy, with the untold suffering to men and beasts alike.

The death of Frank C. Hargreaves, chief chemist, on January 5th, was a great shock to all of us. To the bereaved family we extend our deepest sympathy. Mr. Hargreaves entered G-W service as assistant chemist at Fort Collins in 1911, then worked at Sterling and Loveland until 1918 when he went to the Alameda Sugar Company in California. After working with Amalgamated at Ogden and the Holly company at Torrington he returned to G-W in 1930 as a permanent employee.

Matt Brennan, master mechanic, who was injured on January 7 in the crack-up of his airplane while on an errand of mercy for one of the blizzard victims, is recovering from his injuries nicely and should be back with us before too long.

Larry Nasi, son of Cashier and Mrs. C. B. Nasi, is sure proud of the first trout he caught. This took place while the family was on vacation last summer at Red Lodge, Montana. No he isn’t smoking a cigarette, this was investigated and found to be an all-day candy sucker. Sure makes one dream of nice warm summer days—102 degrees in the shade should be just right!

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Juergens enjoyed a month’s vacation in Texas. Fieldman and Mrs. John Sherman are now homeowners, having purchased a house which they moved into recently from one of the Sugar Company terraces.

Others who have taken winter vacations were: Gordon Rudolph, spent at Fort Collins; John R. Weitzel, spent at home; J. R. Schwartz, Jr., Sugar Boiler, at Lincoln; Harold F. Black, superintendent’s clerk, and Herald Curtis, storekeeper.

Under-the-weather folks who have now fully recovered were Bonnie Witham, E. A. Chirrick, E. W. Hunnicutt, Ed Haddix and J. H. Schwartz, Jr.

George Gross, sugar boiler and I. C. watchman, was retired from service January 1, 1949. Mr. Gross started his G-W employment at Longmont in 1906 as student sugar boiler and inter-campaign pipe fitter helper and in 1919 he became sugar boiler. He was transferred to the Fort Lupton Factory in 1925 and then to the Minatare Factory in 1929. After that plant was closed down he served there as watchman in 1941 and 1942, coming to Mitchell in August of 1943 as watchman and campaign sugar boiler in which capacity he served until his retirement. His services with the Company had been continuous with the exception of leave of absences granted from December 25, 1922 to July 1, 1923 and again from December 25, 1923 to July 1, 1924, for a total of approximately 41 years. George has been a faithful and conscientious employee. The best wishes of this organization go with you and that your retirement may be one of joy, rest and contentment.

Mrs. L. L. Hays, wife of Sugar End Foreman L. L. Hays, has been ill, and our wishes are that she will be her usual self soon.

Beth Vermeline is the talented daughter of Timekeeper and Mrs. W. V. Vermeline. Beth is 9 years old. Besides her ability as a ballet dancer, having been featured in several musi-

Beth Vermeline

Leroy's first trout
cal revues and public appearances, she is equally adept at playing the piano and also plays the clarinet in the Morrill, Nebraska, High School band and the violin in the beginners' orchestra. In between, she practices twirling the baton with hopes of becoming a majorette.

LYMAN
H. T. WAGGONER, Associate Editor

At the present writing everyone is still trying to dig out of the big blizzard. Several sugar tramps are beginning to wear slight smiles again, due to the fact their wives finally shoveled out driveways, and got their cars out so as to save their honorable spouses the inconvenience of walking to work in the cold and snow. Of course it wouldn't do for this writer to mention anyone's name in particular, but these people reside in what is commonly known as Lyman's Sugar Town.

We had several visitors to Colorado during the holiday season. Supt. and Mrs. W. H. Evans journeyed to Longmont and vicinity. This trip was necessary due to the presence there of two granddaughters, who must be shown a good Christmas. Mr. Evans has reported an enjoyable time. The same weekend there was organized what is now known as the Nebraska-Colorado Caravan. It seems that we have among us a few Coloradans who are possessed with the pioneer spirit of their ancestors, and who braved the stormy quarter-mile waste through western Nebraska and a few miles through Wyoming, to reach their "Homeland of Colorado" where they tell, "those of us who have spent a lifetime of suffering in this barren waste, as they call it, known as Nebraska," that the wind doesn't blow or the snow never drifts above a hub cap.

Those making this trip were "Guide and Scout" Glen Vail and his trusty Lafayette; others following in behind were the William Kruegers, Hugh Highleys, and another carload or two of local folks not connected with the factory.

We who spend our lives in this desolation here, wish to inquire if these wonderful things we hear of Colorado are all we've been told or if Glen Vail and Hugh Highley are a couple of boys from the Chamber of Commerce.

Fieldmen L. W. Henderson, left, and William G. Krueger kept the beets rolling in and are planning on having a lot more to roll in 1949.

A fine job in the Cashier's office was done by, left to right, C. D. Schwaner, Cashier; Frances Henderson, Head Beet Clerk; J. H. Lawson, Timekeeper and Shirley Butcher, Typist. Dorothy Cooper and Carol Jean Edwards were not present when this picture was taken.
We do wish to state that everyone arrived home safely, and enjoyed the trip with all the hazards and inconvenience involved.

Our sincere congratulations to the newest addition to parenthood, Jack “Pop” Runge and Mrs. Runge, the parents of a fine baby girl. Thanks for the cigars Jack.

We also offer congratulations and best wishes to our newlyweds, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Weddell. Jess was known to some of us as “Romeo,” but looks as though we’ll have to pass this title on to someone else.

We were saddened here to learn of the passing of F. C. Hargreaves of Mitchell and also a former employee with some of us at Lyman. Our sincere sympathy to his family and relatives.

During the week of the blizzard we had two of our gang at Lyman stranded over in Colorado. Herman Juergens, our manager was marooned at Fort Collins when taking his son and daughter over to school, and the William Kruegers ran into the storm at Cheyenne and returned to Loveland until the roads were open. Vail and Highley haven’t yet explained this incident to us satisfactorily.

Fieldman Krueger tells us that not only does Cheyenne have special rates for their annual Rodeo, but also, for stranded blizzard motorists, but Bill isn’t complaining he was glad to get a place to stay for the five days stranded in Cheyenne.

Fieldman Henderson was a busy man during the blizzard. It was necessary to walk a mile and a half south of Lyman to feed the calves he is interested in. He made it every day and from last reports they have not lost any animals.

Cashier Schwaner was home and yet he wasn’t. Chuck was stranded in Scottsbluff but made it back to Lyman after first snow plow through.

WHEATLAND

N. C. DAVIS, Associate Editor

The gentleman in the picture is Fred La Follette, Wheatland caretaker. Fred is wondering just how to harvest his crop of Russian thistles which was tumbled in on the east side of the boiler house by the soft breezes of Wyoming. It can now be reported that he accomplished his mission.

W. D. Nicholson, agricultural superintendent, was called to Leadville, Colorado by the death of his father on the 7th of January. We express our sympathy.

Herb Pearcy, fieldman, has been hospitalized at Pueblo, Colorado, and we are happy to report that his convalescence has been rapid and he will be back on the job soon.

BILLINGS

TY MILLER, Associate Editor

The most important news at Billings at this time is our winning first place in the annual Pennant race. The will to win and the excellent teamwork on the part of everyone involved were the outstanding features in this year’s victory. We also had ideal weather conditions in which to harvest and process the crop. We sailed along at an even pace with very little operational or mechanical trouble. The belt end engine gave some trouble, however, by developing a broken wedge bolt on two different occasions—the first time in fourteen years, according to some of the older heads.

Our congratulations are extended to Windsor and Brush for winning the “place” and “show” positions. It was an exciting race all the way.

Late campaign visitors included Messrs. B. W. Morrison and H. W. Hooper from Scottsbluff, and George Rienks and Charles Hirsch from Denver.

On December 4 Jeff Morrison was in Billings to measure the limerock, coal and coke. It so happened that the first snowstorm of the season was then in progress. When accused of bringing the snow with him, Jeff replied, “I have the reputation of bringing snowstorms when I come to measure rock and coke.” Some of that snow is still with us, Jeff.

Christina Ward Miller arrived, via Stork Lines, December 6, 1948, at the
Ty Miller home. This now makes three Queens and a Jack. Need one more Jack for a full house.

R. Ralph Wood, associate agronomist, was transferred to the Longmont Experiment Station on December 20, 1948. Before his transfer, Ralph had tried unsuccessfully to buy a new car. Finally he lost patience and bought a fire-engine red International pickup truck. Some of the fieldmen decided that the new red truck needed a chief, so they presented Mrs. Wood with a regulation fireman’s helmet inscribed, “Chief Beulah, Billings, 1948.” The accompanying photo shows Chief Beulah wearing her badge of authority.

During the cleanup after campaign a very amusing incident occurred. Dryer Foreman AI Bittner and a helper were connecting the water heater to lines which supply the lab and locker rooms. After they had completed their “pipe fitting” they left their ladder standing—and with good reason. Upon careful examination it was discovered that either AI or his helper had run the hot water line between the two top rungs of the ladder. Neither man claimed credit for the job, so we still don’t know “who done it.”

It is with regret that we report the deaths of two former fieldmen of Billings. W. A. Nelson died October 30, 1948, in Powell, Wyoming. Bill had been in ill health for many months prior to his death. Jesse Forbes died in Long Beach, California, recently, at the age of 77 years. He came to Billings from Sterling in 1936, and retired from the Company in May 1941.

The surgeon’s knife again was busy among our people. Mrs. A. E. Hartung, wife of Speed Hartung, was operated on in November and is now recovered. Dryer Foreman Ray Dimmitt submitted to a tonsillectomy in January. Manager R. L. Kimmons recently returned following a hernia operation. Dryer Foreman Albert Bittner was taken to the hospital January 7th to undergo an emergency appendectomy. Mrs. Don Jackman also was operated on in January.

The short campaign this year enabled several families to spend the Christmas holidays away from Billings. Cashier P. H. Marsh journeyed to California and Texas. He informed us that both states were colder, at the time, than Billings.

Assistant Manager and Mrs. Charles Mann spent the holidays in Pendleton, Oregon, visiting their daughter, Mrs. Robert Cook, and her family.

Chief Chemist and Mrs. J. T. Davis spent Christmas in Helena visiting their daughter, Mrs. Dean McKay, and family.

Fieldman B. A. Nelson recently returned from a vacation in Minnesota.

John Farmer, fieldman from Ovid, visited in Billings shortly before Christmas.

On the night of December 20th the GWESCO Club, Sugar Tramp auxiliary, held a party to which all the men were invited. Games and dancing were the entertainment offered, and by all reports everyone had a good time.

On December 13 Ray Dimmitt and R. L. Kimmons attended a conference at Longmont concerning the operation of the seed cracking plant.

In December fieldman Ralph Millice bought a new Pontiac with the hydromatic gear shift attachment. This gadget operates without a clutch pedal, and Ralph said that for the first few days he drove the new car he had to tie a weight on his left foot to keep from hunting for the clutch pedal. However, he now says he wouldn’t have a car without the hydromatic shift.

During the duck hunting season the following article appeared in “Tales of the Town” of the Billings Gazette:

“Three Billings duck hunters missed Wednesday’s early morning shooting, if any. But they won a farmer’s gratitude, and later bagged two ducks. Ed Juni, Carson Mowre, and Charles Franzen, Great Western Sugar Company sales representative, were driving approximately five miles east of Huntley at 6:20 a.m. when they noticed flames leaping around a barn a half mile south of highway 10. They raced to the farm. A straw-covered corral was ablaze with 23 head of cattle huddled in one corner seeking to escape the fire. Flames were licking up one side of the barn, which housed a litter of pigs. The trio freed the livestock and awakened the sleeping family. An electric water pump was started and backfiring saved an adjacent...
straw stack. With the help of neighboring farmers, who joined in a bucket brigade, the fire was extinguished."

The Billings organization was saddened to learn of the sudden passing of Frank Hargreaves, chief chemist at Mitchell, and Jim Henderson, fieldman at Brush. Our sympathies are extended to the bereaved families.

Superintendent's Clerk M. C. S. "Bud" List, operates a bee ranch on the Stillwater river. Bud has been experimenting for two years now, in crossing bees with horse flies. Wonder what the outcome will be?

Assistant Manager Charles Mann was recently elected for a three-year term to the board of directors of the Billings Commercial Club.

Messrs. Andrews and Fisher of the General office were in Billings January 10-11 attending a conference between representatives of the beet growers' associations and government officials.

Officers elected to head the Union for the coming year are: Clarence Olsen, president; E. W. Kyger, vice president; H. B. Pippin, secretary; Bert Huddleston, P. O. Brush, and L. A. Roslien, trustees.

Stan Lewis, Bill Wilson, S. E. Childers, Bill Early, Butch DeNeve, and George Erickson comprise the Sugar company bowling team. The fellows bowl in the Yellowstone league and at present are in fourth place among 12 teams. They are hereby offering a challenge to any team to come up and compete against them.

We welcome to our organization Mrs. Lucille Quist, stenographer.

A quick look among the personnel. S. E. Childers is again in charge of the warehouse; Mike Heiser, Ray LaSeur, Clair Clark, Virgil Lindell, Jake Ruff, Pete Wax, Ernie Spallinger, and Bud Bracken are making packages. When the going gets tough, Earl Bittner and Wilbur Barkley help out. Bill Humphrey is again taking charge of the bins. Ray Daley is making powdered sugar. Tom Breashears, campaign warehouse shift foreman, is now helping Bernie Lindell load bulkers.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Wilson announced the marriage of their daughter Jean to Mr. Wallace Thorsen on December 10, 1948. The couple will make their home in Billings.

Miss Denise O'Dell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. O'Dell, became the bride of Ira Weed Dumble of Sacramento, California, on Thanksgiving Day. The ceremony took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wendell E. O'Dell, brother and sister-in-law of the bride. The couple are making their home in Sacramento.

Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Dumble

The seed cracking plant is operating with Ray Dimmitt, Jack Graham, C. A. Whitaker and John Burkhardt doing the work.

In the shop Barney Pippin is cracking the whip over Gene Kyger, John Hanna, Hap Morton, and Loren O'Dell. Bill O'Dell, Joe Piram and Pat Smith are overhauling pumps.

Bill Black and Bob Olson are going over the centrifugals.

The beet end is being fixed up by V. C. Anderson, Bill Bly, Earl Bittner and Clarence Olsen.

Ervin Schindler and Emanuel Kaiser are helping Glen Fosgate load pulp and pellets and doing other cold jobs.

Archie Brown is massaging belts, while Les Butler is seen all over the place.

Paul Parker and Walt Griffith are unloading coal. It seems that the colder the weather, the more coal there is to unload.

Hank Reiker and Jim McGrady are
firing the boiler during the cold weather.

“Pop” Teters is overhauling valves and Murl Kimble is making a lot of noise scaling pipe lines.

Two questions seem to be uppermost in our minds nowadays—Where to spend the extra week’s vacation, and how to finance it.

I. P. Mead, a retired fieldman, passed away in a Billings hospital Jan. 19. The funeral was held at Huntley, Montana. Mr. Mead was one of the first fieldmen employed by the Sugar Company at Billings and retired in 1943.

LOVELL

BESSIE ROSS, Associate Editor

We wish to congratulate the Billings factory’s crew on winning the pennant. Nice to have it come even this close to our territory.

Chief Chemist O. H. Swaney spent a couple of weeks at the Fort Morgan factory after the close of our campaign.

Frank Kemp, Jr., paid us a visit on December 16, 1948. He also spent some time at the quarry near Warren, Montana.

Mr. and Mrs. Riley Elliott spent the Thanksgiving holiday in Longmont with their daughter and family who live there.

Clyde Nicholls, Glen Averett, William Oatman, Merrill Godfrey, O. E. Frisbie and S. J. Houser tried their luck at deer hunting on the first day of the extended season; they brought back four deer.

John O. Liethhead attended dinner at the Waldorf-Astoria hotel in New York the latter part of November in honor of his son Barry, who was honored as becoming president of the Cluett-Peabody & Company at that time. John returned to Lovell early in January from a wonderful trip and vacation. Barry flew to Lovell in his private plane and together they went east.

On this 21st day of January, Lovell is still in the midst of one of the longest winters it has experienced for a number of years. Not so much snow, but just sub-zero weather and wind—26 below yesterday morning was the coldest reported to date.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Hostetler left here December 18 for a vacation trip to California, via Lander and Salt Lake City, and on to Glendale to spend Christmas with their two daughters who live there. They came back the Southern route and were held up for two days in Colorado on account of the storm. They report a very nice trip.
and plan to repeat the trip again sometime in the summer.

Wyoming—9-333—1949 is the number seen on the shiny new green Ford that fieldman Otto Frisbie is driving these days.

Assistant Chemist A. F. Fillerup, with the close of the slicing period last fall, completed 30 campaigns at the Lovell factory. Mr. Fillerup worked every campaign since the factory was built in 1918 except three, and is to be congratulated on this fine record.

Even with the longer time to prepare the list, everyone concerned around this place has been busy to the Nth degree. This morning, January 21st, the list is back from the printers all bound and ready to put in an appearance at Scottsbluff on Monday. Mr. Hostetler, superintendent, and S. J. Houser, master mechanic, too are ready to start their journey to Nebraska to meet with the District Staff on the list.

Lowell and Genevieve Earl, brother and sister of Phyllis Earl, our main office stenographer, left after spending the Christmas holidays here with their family for Utah to continue their college work; Genevieve to Logan, and Lowell to Salt Lake City.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Marten of Billings spent New Years at the home of his brother and wife in Lovell, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Marten. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Landon were also New Years dinner guests of the Martens.

O. E. Frisbie, at this writing, had been in Cheyenne at the Veterans' hospital for two weeks where he went for a check-up. He expected to be home in the very near future.

Fieldman M. B. Walker has gone to Cheyenne, also, to be present at the convening of the legislature. "Doc" is one of our representatives from Big Horn County. As I recall, this is his third term.

In a lovely wedding at St. Agnes Catholic church, Scottsbluff, on Monday morning at 10 o'clock December 27th, Kathryn Mae Schafer and William R. McCarty were united in marriage. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rosetta Schafer of Scottsbluff and the late Charles F. Schafer. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William C. McCarty of Lovell, formerly of Mitchell. Following a brief wedding trip the couple will reside in Lincoln, where the groom is a senior at Nebraska university. The bride is a graduate of Scottsbluff high school. The groom graduated from Mitchell high school and spent three years in the navy. Very best wishes are extended to this young couple!

Manager and Mrs. W. C. McCarty attended the wedding of their son at Scottsbluff during the holidays and visited with friends.

Our storekeeper, O. N. Edmiston, has resigned and it is with regret that Ed leaves Lovell. He will be here until the first of March. He has been at the Lovell factory since it reopened in 1944. Best of wishes for a much earned vacation and rest.

Robert Averett, son of Sugar Boiler and Mrs. Myrl Averett spent the Christmas Holiday from Army training at Fort Bliss, Texas.

E. E. Stone, father of Sugar End Foreman Jessie Stone and formerly an assistant superintendent at Lovell for a number of years, died at the Lovell hospital of a heart attack January 23. He is survived by his wife, one son and one daughter. Funeral arrangements awaited the arrival of the daughter, Mrs. Hovis from California. Mr. Stone was retired about two years ago and had made his home in Lovell since. The sympathy of the entire organization is extended to the family in their loss.

**HORSE CREEK QUARRY**

**TIZZIE, Associate Editor**

B LILL CROSS, SR., is driving a 'new used' Ford.

J. P. Ruth has been to the quarry several times ironing out difficulties on the Diesel motors.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Hays and Tommy spent a week end at the Bijou Ranch east of Kiowa, Colorado, visiting with Mr. Hays' parents. T. J. Larson and son, Bob, accompanied them as far as Fort Collins.

Mrs. Harold Townsend, Jr., spent Christmas holidays in the hospital after an operation.

There are still many large drifts of snow around camp to substantiate the story of the worst blizzard in many a year. The plant was closed for several days during and after the big storm.

Gordon Folts has left our employ and Mr. W. H. Tourville has taken over the commissary. Ed. Hays has taken Mr. Tourville's place as warehouseman.

Chester Stevens' small son caught his arm in the washing machine wringer but is recovering nicely.
T. J. Larson, superintendent, came up from Fort Collins on the Colorado & Southern Railway snow plow and was the first to get through after the big snow.

M. R. Stoneman, formerly of Greeley, is the new electrician succeeding Walter F. Duncan. Mr. and Mrs. Stoneman and family are rapidly becoming acquainted with our folks and are proving a welcome addition to our community. Mr. Duncan, who had been our electrician for some time, had, with his family, previously been living in the Canal Zone for a number of years, found our weather too severe. They are now residing in Florida.

Another welcome addition to our group is the Gilbert M. Beets family from Fort Collins. Mr. Beets is employed as a machineman in the mine. We are very happy to welcome two former long-time employees and friends, who with their families are back with us again. Stanley Brewer and Wrex Castle will resume their former occupation as machinemen.

Foreman: "Do you think you are fit for really hard labor?"
Applicant: "Well, some of the best judges in the country have thought so."

Perfume salesgirl to blonde: "Just a word of advice, honey—don't use this stuff if you are only bluffing."

People who squawk about their income taxes may be divided into two classes—men and women.

I've been staying up nights trying to figure out what's wrong with me. Last night I found out what it was. I ain't been getting enough sleep.

Along with the old shoes tied on the back of the newlyweds' car was a sign that read, "Amateur Night."

Johnny and Mary went into the country to pick wild flowers. Mary's mother went with them, so they picked wild flowers.

A serious impediment to marriage nowadays is the increasing difficulty of supporting the Government and a wife on one income.

After waiting for what seemed hours, the customer buttonholed the head waiter: "Just as a matter of curiosity," he said, "did the waiter who took my order leave any family?"

Remarks that are uncalled for are usually delivered.

There are people who don't know what they want, and won't rest till they get it.

A chisler is a guy who gets in a revolving door behind you and comes out first.

Some folks seem to think they can eat their cake and have yours too.

Psychiatrist: "Tut! Tut! As for the habit of talking to yourself—forget it. There's nothing to worry about."
Patient: "But I'm such a bore."

It's been three weeks since Uncle Eph and Aunt Ada have had a fight in their home—they've been scrapping in cafes and taverns.

Bobby—Teacher, would you scold anybody for something they didn't do?
Teacher—Of course not. But why, Bobby?
Bobby—Well, I didn't do my arithmetic.

You get out of life what you put into it. That's why most of us are so hard up.

Boss (pointing to a cigarette stub on the floor): "Is that yours, Johnny?"
Office Boy: "No sir. You saw it first."

Grass Widow: A woman who feels like a new man.

The difference between wrestling and dancing is that in wrestling some holds are barred.

Beware of that most dangerous kind of inflation—an inflated ego.

The new cars are so strikingly beautiful, any girl should be proud to be seen walking home from one.