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Prospect Favors Increased Beet Acreage

CONGRATULATIONS to Brush—winner of the 1949 Great Western Pennant race, and to the runners-up, Lovell and Windsor. Thanks to one of the best crops on record, final sugar production was gratifying despite the reduced acreage on which the crop was grown. Whereas in most years the battery is likely to be the bottleneck, the last campaign proved unique in the problem of handling the sugar after it left the battery.

At this writing, contracting is under way for the 1950 crop. In this irrigated territory where good beet crops are the normal expectation and outstanding crops never surprising, the outlook favors another satisfactory year. One important factor is the early conclusion of beet contract negotiations enabling early contracting, early preparation and timely planting. Every week gained on the spring side of the year is very useful in increasing yield and sugar content.

VARIOUS facts point to increased beet acreage. The basic sugar market situation is encouraging. Of course, there is no gain saying the fact that the first reaction to the consumptive estimate announced by the secretary of agriculture was somewhat disappointing, although every thinking person recognized that the actual consumption of last year and indication of continuing at an approximately equal rate this year would loom large in official consideration. But if the first reaction was a little bearish, encouraging developments have taken place since. There is abundant evidence of a substantial world demand for sugar. Some economists calculate that the spread between what Cuba is actually realizing in the world market and in our market is the narrowest since the war period.

Moreover, there seems to be growing appreciation, in all beet-growing areas of the United States of the fundamental values of the beet crop compared with some other crops that reached very high plantings during the war years and immediately after. In areas where contracting precedes that of the intermountain region, the increase in beet acreage this year has been very marked. Different explanations for this increase apply to different areas, but recognition of the merit of the beet crop itself is evident, and also the restrictive allotments of acreage to some competitive crops are definitely in the picture. There is a feeling that sugar beets look pretty good compared with crops which today stand in the shadow of unmanageable surpluses.

GREAT WESTERN agricultural forces are alert to the general shift toward beets and are determined to accelerate the movement with all that can be done to restore full recognition of the advantages of growing a full beet acreage.
Brush Wins 1949 G-W Pennant

By E. H. Hungerford, General Chemist

Brush, with a new superintendent, F. H. Barnhart, took top honors in the 1949 G-W pennant race. Brush has won three times in the last four years and has won a place among the top three factories in each of the last five campaigns. Second and third places were taken by Lovell and Windsor respectively.

Brush displayed what Mr. Osborn would term a well-rounded performance. This factory was aided undoubtedly by the special rule applicable to it when slicing beets of high sugar content. With some slight assistance from the application of the rule, Brush built up substantial premiums for slicing. But it also won, unassisted, substantial premiums for low losses, low molasses true purity and low factory coal consumption.

Lovell also won substantial premiums for slicing and for most of the other elements of the pennant rating plan. It suffered a severe penalty for molasses true purity. Windsor, on the other hand, won a place among the top three without a premium for slicing, one of the few occasions when this has been done.

One of the features of the 1949-50 pennant race was Sterling's performance. During a campaign in which Steffen performances were not outstanding, Sterling solved its Steffen problems superbly. It also achieved substantial slicing premiums and avoided excessive penalties for molasses true purity. Sterling limped across the finish line with one battery cell out. But for this unfortunate accident, it might have placed higher. The performance of Sterling won the special one-day vacation award authorized for the factory making a pennant rating of 100 or more and showing the greatest improvement over its 1948 performance.

At first glance, it would appear that the over-all performance of the factories was not as good in 1949-50 as in the preceding year. It will be remembered that in 1948-49 eight factories were in this distinguished group. However, it is also true that in 1948-49 three factories had pennant rating performances of less than 99, whereas in 1949-50, none of the factories fell below 99.

The race just ended was much closer than it has been for several years. Only .9 pennant rating point separated the sixth and seventeenth places in the race.

Bailey Hutchins, the father of the pennant race, frequently said that every campaign is “abnormal.” By this he meant that each year brought new combinations of elements affecting operations—purity and sugar content of beets, lime salts, natural alkalinity, harvesting conditions, weather, etc. If he were here today he would conclude that the 1949 campaign was “most abnormal.” Never in the history of the Company have as many favorable factors been combined in one year. Purity of beets was the highest on record. Yield per acre and sugar content of beets approached all time highs. Idyllic weather and moderate temperatures prevailed.

But it was an embarrassment of riches. G-W factories are accustomed to scrambling to get every possible ton into the batteries. This year, at many factories, the difficult task was to take care of the sugar after it left the battery. Few factories were able to gain pennant rating points for slicing. The magnitude of their problems is indicated by a comparison with results of previous campaigns. The seventeen factories which operated this year produced 11,453 bags sugar per day more in 1949 than in 1948, although slicing 585 tons of beets per day less. The same seventeen factories produced 765 bags per day more in 1949 than in the record year of 1941, although slicing 2301 tons of beets per day less.

The ability of a factory to get off to a fast start is very important in the pennant race. Brush seized the lead early and held it. Windsor got off to a faltering start, otherwise that...
pennant winner would have again pressed the winner for top honors. Billings did not share all the favorable conditions so bountifully distributed to the remainder of the factory districts. Weather conditions were far from ideal in Montana. Billings reached capacity slicing the first day and although it struggled valiantly throughout the campaign to maintain its slicing, the handicap of weather and harvesting conditions was too great; it finished in fifth place.

Fort Morgan, although finishing in next to the last place, showed great improvement over its 1948 performance. Except for a disastrous first period, it might have placed much nearer the leaders. The high unaccountable losses which have plagued that factory for two years were much reduced this campaign, although not brought under completely satisfactory control. With a smoothing touch here and there, Fort Morgan may easily be the factory to beat next year.

Most talked about grievances of factories were: badly topped and dirty beets and inferior lime rock. Without doubt, the condition of delivered beets added to operating difficulties at all factories and, in some instances, may have been responsible for reduced slicing performance. It is the price of progress—an inevitable result of mechanization of agriculture. Lime rock was indeed poorer than usual. The quality of lime produced from this rock was in general, not good. But as Jim Dudgeon gleefully points out, Sterling...
Congratulations To Brush!


did all right with it. One of the joys of working for G-W is that there is always a spoil-sport to demonstrate that the impossible can be done.

It was a campaign to be remembered.

Forty years hence, the present young men of the Company may be reminiscing arduously to newcomers about the beet crop and campaign of 1949.
Denver Credit Union Increasing Membership

By A. G. Frost, Jr., President

The annual meeting of The Great Western Sugar Company Employees' Federal Credit Union held Jan. 23 in connection with the General office dinner-dance party marked the end of the first fourteen months of operation for this Denver group. Growth both in members and share savings has been very commendable and loans to members have helped them to weather many a tough spot.

Plans are now being formulated for a membership drive to be conducted during the month of March and it is our goal to make at least 90 percent of the general office personnel members and regular savers in this organization.

The official family of the Credit Union for 1950 is as follows:

Board of directors—A. G. Frost, Jr., president; J. L. Fellows, vice president; M. E. Rebhan, treasurer; Patricia A. Pareja, secretary; A. S. Whitaker, educational committee.

Credit committee—Ralph Roush, chairman; Lois Householter, secretary, and E. R. Niehaus.

Supervisory committee—E. Ward, Jr., chairman; Barbara Milliken, secretary, and Walter Schreiber.


All of the foregoing Credit Union members are actively taking part in the plans for this year and it is their desire to make this a banner year for the organization.
Ginn Retires — Six Men Promoted

Leonard H. Henderson  Charles R. Johnson

ONE retirement and six promotions involving factory managers and fieldmen of The Great Western Sugar Company were announced today by Frank A. Kemp, president.

A. M. Ginn, manager at Bayard, Nebr., will retire March 1, after 45 years of service with the Company. Leonard H. Henderson, fieldman at Lyman, Nebr., will succeed Ginn as Bayard manager.

John D. Petrikin, acting manager at Sterling, Colo., is appointed Sterling manager, effective immediately.

J. V. Ostermiller, fieldman at Brush, Colo., is appointed assistant to the manager of the Brush and Fort Morgan factories, effective immediately.

Promotions of three fieldmen will become effective following the current beet contracting period. Charles R. Johnson of Billings, Mont., will become assistant to the manager of the Scottsbluff and Gering, Neb., factories; L. E. Butler of Eaton will become assistant to the manager at Brighton and Fort Lupton and Lester B. Garner of Greeley will become assistant to the southern district manager. In announcing Mr. Garner’s appointment, President Kemp said: “With the intention of making an additional opportunity for the training of personnel, the position of ‘assistant to the manager, southern district,’ is created. The position is experimental; it may be rotated depending upon experience gained regarding it.”

A. M. Ginn, known throughout the territory as “Doll,” came to Eaton from Warwick, Maryland in 1902. Warwick was the boyhood home also of Royden K. Marsh, former director of The Great Western Sugar Company, and Paul H. Marsh, present cashier at Billings. Ginn had gone to Eaton to join his cousin, Jim Reynolds, who worked for the Sugar company. As a youngster “Doll” worked as water boy and tool monkey on construction of the Eaton factory and that fall had the distinction of delivering to Eaton’s first customer the first bag of sugar ever produced by the factory. After going to school in Colorado Springs and some commercial work, Doll entered G-W service at Sterling in 1905. In 1906 he became head bookkeeper at Fort Morgan and Gering and entered managerial ranks in 1916, serving at Bayard, Mitchell and Scottsbluff, then Gering, and in 1927 he went to Bayard as manager at Bayard and Minatare, Mr. and Mrs. Ginn will retire to their 470-acre farm to raise purebred sheep, sugar beets and feed cattle and sheep both on a private and commercial scale. Meanwhile, Doll will continue his horticultural and agronomic hobbies which have won him deserved recognition. The best wishes of the

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Outstanding Technical Programs Under Way

The 1950 programs of the Beet Sugar Technical Society got off to a fine start January 30 when a large crowd, with many from out of town, heard President Frank A. Kemp and Vice President Ben A. Oxnard speak at the Albany hotel in Denver. Mr. Kemp discussed the general sugar outlook and reviewed the operations of the company during the past year. Mr. Oxnard, general sales director, outlined the activities of the industry as a whole, and the part played by Great Western, in the general approach to advertising and merchandising of beet sugar.

Chairman Carl Roberts announced forthcoming speakers: Harold Silver, president of the Silver Engineering Works; Robert F. Shields, president of the United States Beet Sugar Association; General Chemist Ed Hungerford, who will speak at a Greeley meeting; Executive Vice President D. J. Roach, who will speak at a Scottsbluff meeting; and one speaker of national prominence to be announced later. The programs will end in June with Ladies' Night, with Lloyd Jensen, chairman of arrangements, assisted by Dan Conwell, Bill Wright, John Edmiston and "Heinie" Zisch.

Elected to non-resident membership were John Grabski, assistant master mechanic, Longmont; O. H. Swaney, chief chemist, Johnstown; Clair H. Iverson and Patrick R. Pumphrey, traveling engineers of the northern district. P. H. McMaster and L. T. Jensen, formerly of Nebraska, were transferred to resident membership.
Denver G-W Folks Throw A Whing-Ding

This is news! G-W folks in Denver finally got around to getting up a party and it was a real one, with 285 diners served at the Aviation Country Club January 23. Old-timers scratched what hair was left on their heads, if any, to try to remember how long it had been since they'd had a party before. They were vague on the date, but some did remember a General Office picnic back in the 1920's and how some had horned in on midwinter entertainments for the fieldmen far away and long ago. So they made up for it. It was a real party. Three weeks of planning went into it and the affair was built around the annual meeting of the The Great Western Sugar Company Employees' Federal Credit Union.

There were, of course, a few dark spots. It was generally conceded that the corrupt art of punning rose to a new low in the remarks of Toastmaster Bob Fisher who managed to work in a double-take on practically everybody's name, but no violence ensued because everybody realized that Bob was not a criminal at heart. He had just grown up in the wrong environment.

But maybe we'd better just take the story in chronological order. About forty employees worked on various planning committees with Walt Schreiber keeping track of what was going on by hiding secret documents in pumpkins. Walt's accomplices included John Fellows, Ed Rebhan, Ruth Hamilton, Dick Hudson, Dan Conwell, Velma Schwaairy and Ches Criswell, Jr. Their under-cover agents included Marie McGinnis in charge of the menu, Fred Anderson, seating and protocol; Charlie Hanscom, flowers; Charlie Phillips, master of ceremonies (and whether there was any bribery in getting Bob Fisher in on it won't be known until the grand jury sits again); Jane Spence and Alan Ogilvy, entertainment; Jack Frost, prizes; John Aitken, greeting and glad-handing; Wayne Argebrite, public address system, and Tom Ferril, photography.

After dinner, following a cordial welcome by President Frank A. Kemp, a gay-ninety bar-tender reel ed out and darned if it didn't turn out to be Frank Weick who led in community singing, with Fred Anderson at the piano.

This was followed by violin solos by Jane Spence, with Fred at the piano. And what a privilege it was to hear our Jane whose work with the Denver Symphony and at the summer operas at Central City and elsewhere has won her deserved recognition. Jane's professional skill, incidentally, had a lot to do with the success of the entertainment.

Then came an engineering skit, "You Can Always Tell An Engineer But You Can't Tell Him Much," written and directed by Doane Watson with a cast including Jack Powell, John McAnally, John Wilson, John Barnes and John Stark, with added color by Gladys Loose. As an encore the foregoing engineers staged "Cigarettes and Whiskey and Wild Wild Women" accompanied by Jane Spence, violin, Ed Rebhan, guitar and Tom Ferril, mandolin.

Then followed a dance chorus by the Sugar Bagettes, superior in some respects to the Ballet Russe and reminiscent of the high traditions set by Little Egypt at the World's Fair of '93. The prima donna, that danseuse extraordinary, was Al Gallatin and the members of the ballet included Mary Schatz, Pat Pareja, Ed Walsh, Cliff Reseigh, Bob Norrish, George Holy and Jim Blixt.

Various prizes were awarded. Earl Shepard got a radio and an 18-inch cigar for being the employee with the longest record of service—47 years. P. H. McMaster got a toy locomotive; Earl Hamilton, a tractor; Ed Hungerford, a bottle of "Accent" and Carl Roberts a racing car. A polishing cloth was given to the bald-headed champions (whose lack of hair, according to Bob Fisher, indicated nitrate deficiency)—Dave Roach, Alvey Cottingham, Oscar Dittman, Jim Mason, Max Hollowell, Mike Leitner and Floyd Phillips. Other prizes went to Ida Wold, Lois Vanderploeg, Al Gallatin, John Aitken, Alvey Cottingham, John McAnally, Claude Pettit, Bob Norrish and Tony Fiasco.

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It was a big evening! 1. Earl Shepard, with 47 years of service, the longest of anyone present, wins a radio, while Frank Kemp attributes Earl’s long tenure of office to abstinence from the use of tobacco in any form. 2. The bald-headed beauties, left to right: Max Hollowell, Alvey Cottingham, Oscar Dittman, Earl Hamilton (not one), Jimmy Mason, Dave Roach, Mike Leitner and Floyd Philips. 4. Our concert violinist, Jane Spence. 3. 5. & 6. Different views of the crowd. 7. A south view of Al Gallatin dancing north and his bevy of ballet belles.
1. Mrs. Frank A. Kemp draws a number to see who won the door prize, with Scotty Healy turning the crank. 2. The three ballerinas, Bob Norish, Ed Walsh and Jim Blixt, seem to be out of step with George Holy, left, hiding behind a mask. 3. Lucky Bean Guesser—Dave Roemer. 4. Bob Fisher presents P. H. McMaster with a toy locomotive. 5. Bob also initiates Ed Hungerford into the mysteries of Monosodium Glutamate. 6. John McAnally, left, about to give a preaching to Doane Watson, John Stark and Jack Powell.
Dave Roemer won a Mix-Master for guessing closest to the number of beans in a jar that had been on display for some time, and how Jack Maynard won a side bet on the exact number of beans in the jar will forever remain a mystery when you realize that all our technical experts had been beating their brains out with slide-rules and Einstein's latest equations to get the right answer.

The business meeting of the Credit Union was part of the program and is described in a separate article by Jack Frost in this issue of The Sugar Press.

After the program, the evening was devoted to dancing and everybody voted the party the best ever.

J. V. Ostermiller was born in Lincoln, Nebr., and had farm experience on his parents' farm at Merino, Colorado. He spent one year at the University of Nebraska and was graduated from Colorado A & M College in 1932. After farming with his father he taught vocational agriculture and entered G-W service as a fieldman at Fort Morgan in 1942. The following year he went to Brush and last April became acting assistant to the manager at Brush and Fort Morgan. He was married to Miss Margaret Kerr of Sterling in 1934. They have two children, Karen, 12, and John, 7.

L. E. Butler, Jr., was born at Gower, Mo., had his elementary schooling at Boulder and Loveland and was graduated from Colorado A & M College in 1937, majoring in agronomy. He taught vocational agriculture for two years, then entered the army in 1940 and served in various stations in the United States and southwest Pacific, being advanced to the rank of lieutenant colonel. While on terminal leave in 1946 he entered G-W service at Eaton and has been there since as fieldman. He was married in 1938 to Miss Fern Karns, daughter of Master Mechanic and Mrs. John Karns of Brush. They have one boy, Lynn, 2 years old.

Lester B. Garner was born at Elbert, Colo., attending elementary schools at Arvada, Golden and Chugwater, Wyo., and was graduated from Denver University in 1933. He taught school in eastern Colorado, worked for the emergency relief program, took advanced training at D. U., and after further teaching and serving as a principal, he entered G-W service in 1945 as a fieldman at Eaton. Mr. Garner was married in 1933 to Miss Margaret E. Michael of Denver. They have three daughters, Jean Shirley, 14, Jo Evelyn, 12, and Jerry Ann, 9.
Everybody, Associate Editor

We welcome Helena M. Sodeman and Carol Fissell to the stenographic personnel.

Frank Begley has been promoted into the new Mercury class of 1950.

Roy Jensen is shopping for a new car, also Mrs. Al Whitaker.

Some folks are crazier than others; for instance, Ed and Boots Rebhan went skiing in Arapahoe Basin, temperature zero, wind velocity 50 miles and for further comfort a nice warm blizzard. Oh me!

Hugh Cook, Roy Clark and Frank Begley are in the midst of a spending spree, thanks to Uncle Sam's insurance refund from the second World War.

The boys from the sixth floor, who enjoyed an extra week's vacation on account of 25 years continuous service are Chuck Philips, Walter Pytlinski, Roy Jensen, George Kuempel and Chester Cox.

Hugh Cook enjoyed a Thanksgiving visit with his mother, whose home is in Missouri.

Frank Guy Palladino has just been promoted to the rank of colonel in the Medical Service Corps. Horace (store bookkeeper deluxe) is the proud father.

The Darbys have moved into their new home, 2402 Harlan Street, and have rented their other home on Irving.

Clara Belle Chalfant, stenographer, was united in marriage to Wayne Goodrich on December 11 at the Methodist Church in Casper, Wyoming. The young couple are at home at 1200 South St. Paul.

Al Whitaker and George Kuempel talk about opening a Bonnie Brae bakery shop. However, as things now stand we understand they are sans money, sans building, sans credit, sans everything. (Apologies to the Bard of Avon). Just a few small drawbacks which no doubt the years will rectify.

Genevieve Sheets and her husband recently enjoyed a trip to Mexico. They went by air.

Cecil and Grayce Doherty were on a motor trip to Florida as we went to press. Incidentally, Cecil has become a great marksman. When he traps a vast cage-full of magpies he can often hit several of them with a shotgun at fifteen paces.

F. L. Mitchell, building employee, entered Porter Sanitarium January 9 for a short period, however he was soon back on the job.

George Curtis, elevator pilot, had to spend a day in the court of the Golden Justice of the Peace in connection with an automobile accident in which he was absolved of blame but, says George, "Try and collect from the other fellow."

Grant Beach and Ernest Stabenow suffered short spells of illness during the last period.

We are sorry to learn of the death of Mrs. Boyle's husband and extend to her and her family our sympathy.

It was a shock to his many friends throughout the business world to learn of the death of Mr. Mark A. Cavanaugh of Russell Brokerage Company, Kansas City, Missouri.

Mr. Oxnard attended the meeting of the Planning Committee of the Western Beet Sugar Producers, Incorporated, at San Francisco January 17 through January 19.

Sam McDowell attended the 45th annual convention of the National Food Brokers Association at Atlantic City, New Jersey, January 23 through January 27.

It was nice to have Mr. J. F. Ash of Meinrath Brokerage Company, Chicago, and Mr. Ben McBratnie and Frank Roos of Bend Southall Sleepack Company, Minneapolis, drop in.

Roy and Louise McCreery are moving to an apartment.

We were pleased to welcome Henry W. Dahlberg back to the office after an illness which took him to the hospital. Henry's work has recently taken him to Phoenix and to the West Coast.

The duties of Delores O'Connor, stenographer-clerk who resigned in November, have been taken over by Ida Wold who transferred from the stenographic department.
During the campaign period Joanne Gibson, clerk, assisted in the Railway office.

Downstairs in the Labor Department the hectic pre-shipping season rush is in full swing. Fred G. Holmes and John Higgins were, at this writing, traveling through Texas, Arizona and New Mexico discussing the spring recruitment problems with our representatives there.

The usual foursome of Bert Soots, J. E. Jarrell, G. W. Cumley and J. W. Kendall (whom we gratefully borrow from the Greeley factory laboratory each spring) are holding down the fort in Texas while H. A. Bennett is scouring the New Mexico countryside for labor. This year the Texas squad will have assistance in the persons of Ben B. Swan, Robert Keenan and C. J. Winbourn who are new acquisitions to our staff.

To relate the travels of Frank Kemp, D. J. Roach, Lyman Andrews, Jim Mason, Bob Fisher and Ed Hungerford—well, draw up a chair and get out your maps. The sugar business involves a good deal of moving around, doesn't it!

We are pleased to announce the return of Whitney Newton as a member of the Research Laboratory staff. Evidently all of the oil of Tulsa was not equal to the sugar, and other attractions, of Colorado.

We also welcome the arrival of Roy Peak, as a member of the Research Laboratory staff, Roy comes to us from Ft. Morgan, where he served as assistant chemist during the past campaign.

Had our hopes been realized, we could have reported that the four old men of the Research Laboratory (Bennett, Brown, Davis and Nees) had taken advantage of their years of service by basking, for that one extra week, in the Florida wintertime sun. Unfortunately, pressure of work has kept everyone on the job.

The younger members are able to indulge in outside activities, without taking time off. John Bradbury has been observed fishing through a hole cut in the ice. Whit Newton bagged an antelope a while back. Roy Peak, not satisfied with a B.S. degree, is going to school.

The Engineering Department has three additions to its Compass and T-Square squad: No. 1—John L. Lavoie, born and raised in Massachusetts, wandered to Colorado by mistake and remained on purpose. During the War, John was in the Naval Air Corps, Pacific area. Ensuing, he was graduated from Colorado University this year with a B. S. (M. E.) John is single—temporarily.

No. 2 addition: Mervin H. Ruebusch, or "Red," who was with G-W at one time, left the Company May, 1946; and went to work in California at the Spreckels Sugar Company. From there on, two trips to Alaska, then on to Washington, California, Arizona, Vermont, Connecticut and New York. Springboarding to 8 European Countries for the sights. So Red is a "Bachelor of Tourism." Maybe we can get Red to write up some stories on his "tourisms" as he has had several published already—two in the "Alaska Sportsman."

No. 3 addition: George F. Kummerlin. George was born and raised in Fort Collins, and by living on a farm, George enjoyed the farming end of beet sugar, but admits it's a bit easier working on the drawing board than thinning beets. During the war, George flew around with the U. S. Army Air Corps; upon discharge he attended and was graduated from Colorado University with a B.S. (M.E.) degree. George is married, has one daughter and this time next year should be settled in his new brick home.

No. 4 addition. The Dan Conwells have a new baby boy. "At last," says Dan, "I can start that ball club." That makes three for the Conwells, two girls and the new boy.

We deeply regret the passing of George Pfeiff of the engineering department. Several years ago, George contracted rheumatic fever from which he never fully recovered, and his entire future was to suffer severe limitations. Even so, George worked hard and diligently until sickness again overcame him. He passed away the night of January 2. George is survived by his wife, Mrs. George Pfeiff, and two boys, aged eight and five years, respectively. To them we extend our sympathy.

Mr. and Mrs. Barnes have a new addition, a brand new little carrot-topped punkin—a 7 lb. 3 ounce girl. John named her Lynn and said that the girl could pick her own middle name out later on. So Scotty, age 4 now has a baby sister to look after.

Tom Ferril has recently completed a new movie on the development of the new Great Western thinner.
Mrs. Caldwell Martin is vacationing on the West Coast.

Our thanks for contributions to the Denver notes this issue go to W. T. Seilley, Charles Hanscom, Mary Lou Haskell, Ida E. Wold, Lenore Westerman, R. J. Brown, John R. McAnnally, Walt Schreiber, Dick Henderson and Frank H. Welck.

Mr. and Mrs. Cottingham spent an enjoyable two weeks in December motoring through the South — Texas and Louisiana, that is. They drove to New Orleans by way of Dallas and Shreveport, and returned by way of Galveston, Houston, and Ft. Worth. Mr. Cottingham visited the Fulton Bag factory at New Orleans and the Container Corporation factory at Ft. Worth. The trip covered about 3400 miles with “Cotty” at the wheel and Mrs. Cottingham enjoying the scenery, checking weather reports, and making navigational checks.

Duane Miller, “the poor man’s Tommy Dorsey,” of the Purchasing Department left the employ of the company on January 11 to devote his full time and effort to a musical career. Wishes are extended for the best of embouchures. By the same token, we extend our heartiest welcome to Jim (“my-best-girl-fell-and-broke-her-ankle”) Blixt who has joined the ranks of the Purchasing Department.

Evelyn Capillupo, one of the company’s most eligibles in the field of bows, arrows, and cupid, tore herself from the folds of cool Colorado to spend the holidays in cooler Wyoming.

Ray Lupton is pretty well settled in his new home in east Denver. Ray isn’t too sure now that it was a good idea to get all his furniture out of storage. Seems the washing machine is still in operating condition, however, it has been rumored that Ray absolutely refuses to try his domestic skill at ironing.

Claude Petitt has had tough luck with his new (I eliminated the middleman) suit. The first day he wore it, he burned a hole in the left sleeve (faulty cigarette). The next day he spotted the same sleeve with ink (faulty pen). That night in trying to remove the ink spots, he removed some of the design in the very same sleeve (faulty elimination). His only solution is to buy a suit with two left sleeves, or set a new style trend with a turtle-neck sleeveless coat.

Bill Kugler of the Pattern Shop is back on the job after a recent illness. Cliff Reseigh made the prize boner of the year by expressing the opinion that he thought the “sacking” station was the place where the sugar-end foremen sleep. Some joke. Anybody knows that’s where the cashiers sleep. (With apologies to Lowell Bond.)

It has been noticed that Carl Crist has had to consult Elsome Staples quite frequently lately for what was thought to be for invoice approvals, however, Carl stumbled the other day and alas, he dropped the deck of Canasta cards he had neatly concealed in his stack of invoices.

Understand Bill Gilroy got a bowling ball for Christmas. Bill had quite an argument with the dealer because he insisted that his ball should come equipped with carrying handle, and that the ball should be blue to match his eyes.

Louise McKinniss has rejoined the fold in the Treasurer’s Department and is assisting in the disbursements division.

Jesse Wood has returned from a delayed but enjoyable midwinter vacation in Denver and vicinity.

EATON RIO (Not Grande), Associate Editor

A NOTHER campaign is under the bridge and as we go to press the maintenance crew is getting along in good shape with the general repair work.

Supt. and Mrs. W. H. Evans are the proud grandparents of a son born to Mr. and Mrs. Elmer W. Power, Jr., of Longmont on Nov. 18. John Charles is the name.

Paul Cook has been confined in his home for some time. As we go to press we are told that he is beginning to recover and we hope to see him back on the job before too long.

Mr. and Mrs. John Rees are the parents of a new son born on Christmas day. He has been named Gregg Alan. J. D. Williams, caretaker, resigned at the close of the last campaign and entered an optical clinic in Marshalltown, Iowa for a serious operation. As we go to press we are informed that he went through the operation successfully and has hopes of having his sight restored to normal. Amos Parker has replaced Shorty as caretaker.

John Stevens is now sporting a new “used” Dodge. It’s a nice job John.

Clarence Conway resigned following campaign and moved to California. Harold McWilliams has replaced him as beltman.
Our sympathies are extended to the Tom Batemans on the death of Mrs. Bateman's father.

Paul Smith is again located in Greeley making special sugar tests.

George Cumley, retired assistant superintendent, left for Texas the first of the year to recruit labor for the forthcoming crop.

Henry Sedar, dump foreman, left recently for California to recuperate from a serious operation.

Elmer Anderson, agricultural superintendent, is now vacationing in Mexico.

Jim Beets, son of Asst. Supt. and Mrs. Vic Beets, and Bonnie Rodewald, daughter of the late R. G. Rodewald, were married Jan. 22. Congratulations folks.

John Stevens had the misfortune of falling recently and seriously injuring his leg. As we go to press he is back on the job, however he isn’t looking for a footrace.

Andy and Lola Tinn are now sporting a handsome new Olds. Andy’s license number is still 3-3333. He says that he isn’t ashamed of the patrol knowing his number as he has always lived a good Christian life. We wonder.

Thus far Joe Grant, Roy Biddle and Sam Shelburn have taken their oldtimers’ vacations. The rest of the boys are now in the mood of following suit in the near future.

Snoops and Strolls around the premises reveal:

Supt. W. H. Evans and Master Mechanic Walt Brossman boning up on the new maintenance list.

H. R. Kern, Dutch Pryor and Harold Springer overhauling the water pumps.

Charles Springer, Tuck Sloan, and Roy Biddle on the beet elevator.

H. E. Miller, Dee Stone and Morris Schoonover giving the evaporators the once over.

W. E. Hamilton, Harold McWilliams and Al Neurauter overhauling the centrifugals.

Vic Beets, Fred Rau, Harold Saxon, Cass Morehead working on the presses.

John Stevens, George Walker, Bill Casteel painting the beet end.

Joe Grant and Bun Matheny overhauling the boilers.

Ardie Scofield finishing an inventory.

Tom Bateman and Sam Shelburn tearing into the steam traps and the pipe line.

Henry Boxberger building up pump shafts and Thiele Burton machining the same.

Ike Enwall and Charles Sinden giving the juice tanks a coat of paint.

Ray Ferrell and Kenny Honstein overhauling and cleaning the motors.

Pete Snyder, Less Adamson and Frank Zamora are now watching during the intercamping period.

Yours till better fishin’.

GREELEY

HORACE GREELEY, Associate Editor

M. and Mrs. J. W. Kendall left for Texas about January 10 in a cloud of dust with a new special three-hole Buick, company owned. “Wes” is our chief chemist and has been going to Texas every year for several years in connection with recruiting labor.

We have with us, as usual at this time of the year, Paul Smith, chief chemist at Eaton, and C. H. McCurry, chief chemist at Windsor. Paul and “Mac” have been taking care of the running of canners’ tested sugar from Greeley, Eaton, Billings, Ovid and perhaps some others. Claude Mains, sugar end foreman, is their helper in this work.

“Ted” Sadek, sugar end foreman, has taken the storekeeper position filling the vacancy left by “Herb” Lackey. Good luck to “Ted” in his new job!

George Heiser, shop foreman, had the misfortune to get mixed up with a battery door bumper near the end of campaign. His right arm was badly bruised, but no permanent injury resulted. After about three weeks off the job George is back at the old stand in the shop.

“Les” Hibler was temporarily transferred to the beet end from sugar end in the latter part of campaign. The beet end is his old stamping ground as he was extra station man at the time of Pearl Harbor and enlisted immediately after the 1941 campaign.

The Lackeys — “Herb,” storekeeper, and Amy, office stenographer — left the employ of this mill on January 15. They are in Texas in charge of Great Western labor finances. We wish them all the luck possible in their new set-up, also better health. At the time of their leaving the gang presented them with a fifty-dollar U. S. savings bond.

On or about September sixth L. H. Hibler, beet end foreman, and Margaret Deagner, a nurse at Weld County Hospital, were united in marriage. “Hib” didn’t let us know about the event until campaign was nearly over,
although he says it was written up in the local paper at the time. We wish this happy couple all the good things in life.

James Luman passed away on November 6, 1949. "Heck" was one of the old-timers in the Greeley mill. He was here at the time the mill was built and stayed here except for some time he spent boiling sugar in Cuba. He was retired in 1946 for reasons of health but he came out for a visit now and then to check up on how we were getting along. To his wife, Lorena, we express our deepest sympathy.

"Bill" Feland was temporarily transferred from beet end to sugar end at the same time Hibler was transferred. "Bill" finished strong at sugar end work.

Assistant Supt. C. M. Rickert and Dan Moore, beet end foreman, are in their glory at knocking out floors for the wet sugar elevator change and evaporator pump change, using the air-driven concrete buster.

Robert Bresnahan, assistant superintendent, is back on the job in sugar warehouse after being off the job for a short time with a heavy cold.

We have several jobs to go in before March first this year. A new wet sugar elevator is to be installed, some toilet rooms are to be modernized, a pump is to be moved as well as some other items. Along with that we have a somewhat larger list than last year so if Uncle G.W.S.Co. sees fit we will have a pretty busy summer.

Our Union A.F.&L. No. 23801 put on a party for all members and their ladies in Evans on December 23, two days after our campaign ended. Judging from the reports a good time was had by all concerned until the wee hours of the next morning.

Speaking of the weather, we can say it's much different from January of last year.

We wish to welcome Marion Bowen to our G-W family. Marion has taken over the duties as stenographer since Amy Lackey left for Texas.

Our fieldmen Ted Stevens, Howard Rienks and Fred Law are busy making a survey of the feeding operations in this district. Ted and Howard also doubled as entertainers for the local Red Cross chapter at Fitzsimons General Hospital the other evening and we are sure the fellows there appreciated it.

Manager John Edmiston took in the stock show and rodeo in Denver.

"Bill" Bruce is sporting a new Pontiac. Jim Donahue bought Mr. Bruce's old car.

Mrs. R. V. Stanton underwent a major operation in Weld County Hospital recently and is recovering satisfactorily. Mr. Stanton is our superintendent's clerk.

"Bob" Bresnahan and "Pete" Brumley, sugar warehouse foremen, Henry Hoff and "Haas" Miller are doing the moving of the wet sugar elevator which is to be brought to an upright position and equipped with new chain and buckets. It has been on an incline for as many years as the mill is old. Our session with coarse sugar brought out the fact that it was quite inefficient.

George Heiser, shop foreman, and Wade Lloyd, sugar boiler, are trying to stay ahead of us in the shop. At present they are turning out the work for the Athey loaders.

C. T. Carney, Joe Mooney and "Jim" Donahue were invited to the meeting for the High Ten Growers January 24. "Jim" is President of the local Union A. F. of L.

WINDSOR
C. A. HURICH, Associate Editor

Well, another most successful campaign is over, and while it looked last spring as if it would be a lean season, favorable weather and plentiful rain combined to make a vintage year in this area.

Fieldman Tom Baxter, who increased the contracted acreage in his district appreciably, also came out with one of the highest results in sugar content and tonnage. We understand that this noble effort may mean a couple more days fishing on the Blue Grass.

Superintendent and Mrs. Martin Schmode received a Christmas gift and a new title, the title being Grandpa and Grandma. Their daughter and son-in-law, the Kip Bentons, announced the arrival of Gary Lane on December 24. Henry Schimpf, Ed McKim, Philip Scheller, and Reiny Bernhardt are lending their talents to the Johnstown area at the rate of a six-day week, which will make a little more jingling money in their jeans and also add to their contributions to Uncle Sam.

Sandra Darlyne Bates, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Darl Bates of Sterling, arrived on November 21. Campaign was going full force and it was rough going trying to keep Sugar End Foreman Paul Keller on the job. He and
Mrs. Keller were mighty anxious to visit their new granddaughter. She and her parents spent both the Christmas and New Year weekends in Windsor.

Mild weather recently has assisted the auditing department in their inventory of all the old and obsolete machinery in the factory yard.

Due to the provision for one extra week's vacation for men with 25 years service, there will be numerous vacations between now and March 1. Many others of the regular crew still have some belated vacation time coming. Manager and Mrs. A. M. Watson are visiting relatives and friends at various points in Arizona, Assistant Superintendent Les Miller is redecorating his apartment house in Greeley. Sugar Em voyeur and Mrs. Ed McKim plan a trip to Texas, and Assistant Superintendent George Wilder and Mrs. Wilder are anticipating a trip to Arizona.

Assistant Superintendent W. M. Galloway, who entered Presbyterian Hospital in Denver for a check-up, has returned to work.

The day after clean-up was finished, the warehouse crew began making 2-pound packages.

Although the Foreman's Club suspended its meetings during campaign, members are looking forward to the first meeting of the "Hi-Lo-No-Lookem" Club.

Daniel E. Conwell, engineer from the general office, has been busy around the mill this last week inspecting evaporators and boilers.

Several of the younger campaign employees are pursuing their educations at institutions of higher learning—among them, Catherine Hyde, Al Fritzler, Elmer Lehner and Raymond Kindsfather.

The usual crews are busy at the usual inter-campaign jobs of overhauling pumps, checking centrifugals, pipe lines, etc. Assistant Master Mechanic Bressler has started on the bin steel for the new sugar bins at Longmont.

Annual election of the local union was held recently. Officers elected were: Carl Hurich, president; Bob Fritzler, vice president; Charles Chipman, recording secretary; D. O. Edgar, financial secretary; and Paul Keller, treasurer. Chipman replaces C. W. Crosby who was forced to resign because of ill health after 12 years service in that position.

The Windsor organization is getting tired of this second and third place stuff, so watch out for us next year.

FORT COLLINS

DOER DYE, Associate Editor

And the heavens scowled and the huskies howled
And the wind began to blow.

A few days ere good old 1949 paused for a curtain call, Fort Collins wound up what Superintendent R. L. Colwell and has cohorts like to think was a successful campaign. Our peak production of bags of the crystalline carbohydrate hit some nice figures. Yes, the boys and machines on the sugar end experienced the full capacity sensation.

Charles S. Willox, 80, widely known retired fieldman and a resident of this area since 1891 died in December. Mr. Willox was born in Aberdeen, Scotland, and came to this Country when he was 22. Mr. and Mrs. Willox made their home on their farm northwest of Fort Collins since their marriage in 1899. He raised beets on his farm before the mill here was built, shipping them to Loveland. He became a fieldman in 1911 and continued in that capacity until his retirement in 1941. Mr Willox leaves, besides his widow, seven children, twelve grandchildren, one great-grandchild, and a wide circle of friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Stewart have disposed of their place in the country and are again city slickers.

Timekeeper Charles Lautenbach adds to the moments musical in a local choir. Tenor section.

Predictions for 1950. Economist Chuck Foss predicts the overall price of overalls will continue to be high. He looks for a shrink of less than 1% in the better grades.

Sugar boiler C. W. Coy headed back toward the Lyman country after campaign. Back to the old country, eh, C. W.?

Manager R. L. Partridge and wife visited during the holidays with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Jackson of Twin Falls, Idaho. Ralph hooked a 13-inch trout from the Snake River during his visit.

Our apology to little Miss Lorraine Facer, daughter of Fieldman and Mrs. Elmer Facer. Here she is six months old and no Sugar Press space. We won't let that happen again, Lorraine, and meanwhile congrats to Pop and Mom and sisters.
Visitors since our latest have been former Assistant Superintendent E. (Heinie) Heumesser and former Chief Electrician F. E. Lawson.

Have you seen anything of Jasper? Geologist Sam Moore claims he was rocknapped.

E. F. Taylor, 50, former warehouse foreman here, died at his home in Longmont on January 10. Fred came to Fort Collins from Ovid in 1936 and had been in the service of G. W. S. for 25 years. Because of ill health he resigned his position about a year ago. Survivors are his widow and three children of Longmont, his mother, two sisters and three brothers, all of St. Louis, Missouri.

Harry Harding says he forgets. "It's either, blot, don't rub or rub, don't blot." Don't ask us, Harry.

At the high-ten growers' dinner slated at a local hostelry soon, Fieldman A. R. Williams will need no introduction to eight of them. They are from his district.

Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Nieder visited their son, Dean, and family of Scottsbluff. Dean has a position with the International Harvester Company there.

If you are out of cigars, see George Varra.

We are glad they added Herb Gray, Glen Troudt, James Wilson, Robert Gablehouse, E. B. Metcalf, H. O. Gaston,
W. R. Moore visits the grave of “Old Blue” at the Warren ranch on the Colorado-Wyoming line.

George Varra, C. M. Rodgers, Dick Boston and Frank McConnell to the post-campaign list.

Dave Schmer is back on the job after a deluge of sugar bags. Didn't seem to affect Dave's good nature.

Henry Michaud says, "Everything has a catch in it, not excluding my back."

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. (Bob) Moore visited friends and relatives in Los Angeles after campaign.

(Absent-minded-professor department.) Sugar boiler Phil Kern, according to time card, was boiling sugar two weeks after last pan boiled.

Assistant Master Mechanic Francis Wood, and co-mates Archie Gifford, Felix Michaud, Henry Michaud and Harry Harding are really giving the Wheatland crane a working over. They say "Don't be surprised if we end up with two Wheatland cranes."

As we go to press, Robbins is heading South and we don't mean Robin Redbreast.

We are not going to say a word this issue about fishing and Ray Darnell. Won't be long, though, will it, Raymond Sumner?

The firm of Harbison, Thompson and Boyer are handling the eagle eye assignment.

Mr. and Mrs. Riley Harris attended the wedding of their son, Robert, and Miss Jean Petchell at Ann Arbor, Michigan. Robert is an instructor at the University of Michigan and his bride is dietitian at the University hospital. Son Harley accompanied his parents to his brother's wedding.

The Irwin L. (Red) Johnsons took in the stock show.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman R. Gerhold made it a real holiday season with a visit to their old home at Richmond, Kansas, where their parents reside. Their son, Jimmy, went along to impart some of the Christmas spirit.

Earl O. Rooker, brother of Sugar End Foreman Byron Rooker died in Denver, December 18. Mr. Rooker had lived in Denver for a number of years where he was in the construction business.

Bob Moore is on the mend after a scuffle with flu.

John Sunderland was hospitalized with pneumonia but bobbed right back looking good as new.

Lynn Pitcher and family visited familiar scenes back in old Nebraska.

Norman E. Metcalf and Lloyd Daniels are pulp silo guardians. Red says the early hours interfere somewhat with his square dancing activity.

Seth Reed, Joe Kittel, Lee Taylor and Oliver Shields are getting Buckeye receiving station ready for installation of mechanical equipment. Receiving station foreman, Oscar Wetzler, is occupied with the annual "list."

In our accounts of going and coming, birth and death, we must not, we will not fail to mention the passing of "Cap," faithful family dog of the Cochran home. Cap was laid to rest in the shade of the walnut tree, under the direction of Sam Moore.

Master Mechanic W. W. Christinck and Assistant Superintendent L. E. Michael were shelved with the prevailing sniffles and are back with no ill effects.

Derald Whiting is the type that types well, so he officiated as head list typer.

Craneman Henry Meyer has never lowered the boom on anyone that we know of. Probably felt like it at times.

The extra week was used by Glen Shaffer in recuperation from sugar boilers vexitis.

We used to wish we could whistle; now we wish Fiolkoski could.

Staff Sergeant Robert J. Moore, U. S. Army Air Corps, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Moore, has been transferred to Chicago where he will take intensive machinist training.

Head Pipe Fitter William Arnst has made no trips to COZAD for quite a long time. Free meals must have run out, maybe.
Gabriel Deines is head yard truckman assisted now and then by Howard Metcalf.

Dennis Dean Whitehead arrived October 23, tipped the beam at 7 lbs. 4 oz. and is the grandson of Don Morris, warehouseman and powdered sugar maker. Yep, Don, you are just like most of the rest of us, you wake up some morning and, wham, you're a Grandpa.

Alex Wagner vacated but where and what is a mystery.

And so it goes, a cross section of doings at the Fort Collins mill, with some little crosser than others.

FLASH! (Bulletin—Just received from Omaha) George Olaf, Jr., 4 lbs. 9 oz. and Elizabeth May, 5 lbs. 9 oz. have arrived at the home of Dr. and Mrs. George O. Johnson. As you know, Mrs. Johnson was stenographer here while Mr. Johnson was a student at the A & M Vet School. They left this section for their Nebraska home about a year and a half ago. Congratulations —Congratulations!

LOVELAND
V. V. HARTMAN, Associate Editor

THE 1949-50 campaign, now being past history, efforts are being made to overcome minor faults of the new equipment. Additional power proved necessary on the centrifugal station and motors equivalent to 200 additional horsepower are being installed. Pan changes are being made to speed the intake of pan charges in this phase of the operation. Pipe covering and insulation are being completed on new work that time did not permit previous to campaign. Other work includes painting, changes in vapor lines, additional mingler equipment and refinements of control devices.

Authorization has been received for an entire pulp drying installation, including storage warehouse, sacking station and all incidentals connected with a modern plant. The presses and drums are to be located in a portion of the old boiler house with storage warehouse occupying the area now in use for the wet pulp silo. Another job is the rearranging and complete removal of equipment from the old engine room annex for a semi-commercial plant in connection with the glutamic acid and bi-products recovery from Steffen's waste water. This necessitates changes in the main laboratory so that a portion of the second floor of this building may also be used in the experimental plant.

All the above together with regular factory maintenance and sugar shipments means plenty of work for the fourth straight intercampaign. One hundred and five men are already employed on the various jobs and will be increased as conditions warrant.

Our organization was shocked at the sudden death of Beet End Foreman Walter O'Dell. He apparently was in fair health but quickly succumbed to a heart ailment in his sleep. Walt was among the older men in regard to years of service at Loveland, having first been employed on the battery during the 1917-19 campaign. He followed the path as battery foreman, extra station man to his final position as beet end foreman. His judgment and mechanical ability were highly respected and his untimely death leaves a vacancy in friendship as well as operating experience in our personnel. We extend our deepest sympathies to Mrs. O'Dell and her two daughters.

Among new car owners we note Assistant Chemist Lloyd Hanna Buick; Carl Meister and Bob Kelim, new Fords, and Oscar Johnson, a new Chrysler.

Many of our employees have used delayed and additional vacation allowances for some extended automobile trips. At present Manager Whiting is sojourning in the Rio Grande Valley of Texas. Fieldman Les Parker visited his children in southern California with complete movie equipment to record scenic attractions enroute but mainly to secure pictures of his grandchildren, Orville Oldemeyer, fieldman, visited his wife's folks in Merced, California. Fieldman Ivan Stahle visited his old home in Park City, Utah.

Pete Kelim chauffered his sister to her home in South Carolina, returning by bus via Tulsa, Oklahoma, where he spent several days with his daughter, Betty. Among other employees, we note Emma Matzick, Charlie Bittiker, Carl Thomson, Paul Hermetet, Joe Check and John Price taking the additional week before March 1st.

We welcome Don Fritzell from Fort Collins as a machinist, also A. L. Coulter from Fort Collins as a welder. Both men are commuting from Fort Collins daily.

Robert Munroe, assistant chemist from Windsor, has been transferred to Loveland for special saccharate investigation. The Munroes are pleasantly lo-
cated in an apartment on 4th Street and we also welcome them to our city and organization.

New Silver pilers have been authorized for the Factory and Johnstown receiving stations. Present factory piler will be moved to Officer dump and Johnstown piler sent to Buda station. At Buda, two pilers will be available and will expedite deliveries from this large beet area.

Stewart Foster, superintendent's clerk, has purchased a brand spanking new home on North Cleveland. Electrician Les Hildebrand has also become a property owner in our fair city.

Timekeeper Harry Jones was on the sick list for several days with a touch of pneumonia. He is again on the job, fully recovered.

LONGMONT
A. B. STEPHEN and K. D. KNAUS,
Associate Editors

MISS Gladys Elaine Pedigo, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Pedigo was married Dec. 19 to Paul Eugene Scheid of Terre Haute, Indiana. The couple are making their home at Fort Bliss, Texas, where Paul is stationed with the army.

Our stenographer and switchboard operator, Evelyne Cummings pranced into the office the other morning and said, "Guess What." Well, the first guess was that old Nellie had secured some twin lambs. Oh, no, that wasn't it, then maybe Suzie had gone to the animal hospital for an appendectomy. That wasn't it either. The Cummingses had just purchased the first 1950 Chevrolet sold in Longmont. Susie objects however as there is no running board. Don't worry, Suzie, it still has wheels.

During the open house days of Nov. 26 and 27, one of the groups of visitors included Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Mundt, son Dennis, and Mr. and Mrs. Julie Pfannensteel. Clarence has farmed on his present farm, owned by W. J. Cheley of Longmont, for 11 years, during which time he has been on the list of Longmont's Hi Ten five times. His 1949 tonnage was 26.90 tons per acre.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Manwell were the proud parents of a daughter Sharon Ann, Sept. 1, 1949. Congratulations to all concerned.

Grant Street is one of those locations where it has always been considered a privilege to live. Now comes a happenstance that confuses. A few nights ago Mr. and Mrs. Ben Pedigo decided to go out for a few hours, and on their return found they had had visitors, unwelcome ones at that, those of the light-fingered touch. A back window had been forced, and a goodly sum of money, mostly lodge funds and a couple of watches had gone with the uninvited company. No trace has yet been found of the missing articles or visitors, who also entered three other homes in the vicinity.

Skeeter arrived in Longmont December 10th, and soon afterwards took up his residence in the brick house right on the factory grounds. When the census taker arrives at that house he will appear on the records as Alwyn Charles son of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Hamilton. Red is officially known in the G-W family as timekeeper. Congratulations to all concerned, especially to grandfather and grandmother William S. Hamilton. To most of you the former is Scotty the electrician.

Another December arrival of interest to the Longmont personnel is the daughter who came to grace the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Varner Jr. in Denver. Grandfather and Grandmother Varner are doing well.

A more recent grandfather is Jess Wright who struts around the factory proud of the arrival of Sudy Kathryn who arrived here on January 15 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Thompson, the mother being Barbara, Jess' daughter.

Saturday evening January 14, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Varner entertained the

Recent visitors at Longmont factory, Mr. and Mrs. Julie Pfannensteel, left, and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Mundt and their son.
fieldmen and cashier and their wives at a dinner at Callahan House. On conclusion of the meal the party repaired to the Varner home where Canasta etc. were greatly enjoyed. Guests from out of town were Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Schroeder from Eaton, and Mr. James Rinn of Ovid.

On December 1 George B. Holmes retired as fieldman of the Dominion and Boulder Valley district. George first entered the employ of the company in Billings, Montana May 1st 1918. Soon afterwards he was transferred to the Sterling factory and resided in Iliff, where he had charge of that district until moving here in March of 1930. He worked in the territory extending from Hygiene to Boulder and to Broomfield for these many years. Prior to his retirement a large number of his fellow employees gathered in the beet room in the office, to enjoy ice cream, cake, etc. and to present George with a set of fender skirts to attach to his new Mercury with the best wishes of those present that he may long enjoy them down life's highways.

LaMar E. Henry has taken over the duties of fieldman in the district where George Holmes presided so long. LaMar has taken unto himself a 1949 Chevy pickup, so if you see a blue streak in the Boulder Valley—that is he.

One of the earliest employees at the Longmont factory was Frank Secor who passed away in Denver, December 1. He was born on the farm across from the factory. After a short time here he was appointed the first manager of the Sterling factory. He went to Montana and entered business for himself many years ago, retiring about ten years ago, coming to Denver to live. He had been an invalid for the past five years, He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Nettie Secor of Denver, and two sisters Miss Fannie Secor and Mrs. Mabel Davis of Longmont, to whom is extended the sympathy of the organization.

LONGMONT EXPERIMENT STATION
SYLVIA KESTER, Associate Editor

For the Experiment Station, winter seems to be primarily a time for compiling data, writing reports, and catching up on much needed repairs and remodeling about the grounds and buildings. This office has been humming with a cacophony of noises — typewriter keys clacking, calculating machines whirring, hammers pounding, and saws buzzing, with the smell of paint and linseed oil permeating everything. While the research staff has been preparing papers for the coming American Society of Sugar Beet Technologists' meetings to be held from February 6 to 9 at the Hotel Statler, in Detroit, Michigan, Ken Wallace, George Suazo, and Monty Montgomery have been giving the station a face-lifting, patiently listening to the suggestions and comments on the progress of the work volunteered by all interested observers. In spite of all these interruptions they are doing a nice job of remodeling our laboratory and germination room, as well as giving some of our offices a new coat of paint.

Let it never be said that this Experiment Station ignores the holiday season, for, unlike old Scrooge, we celebrate in grand style. In witness thereof, we decorated a beautiful little Christmas tree a week before Christmas, complete with lights and tinsel, and the Friday before that holiday had a bang-up Christmas party. All the station force, and also our director of research, Mr. Dahlberg, gathered in this writer's office, which was turned into a very festive room for the occasion, for
Ralph Wood is putting the sugar beet in red flannels.

sandwiches, holiday cookies, candy, nuts, coffee, sweet cider, and popcorn balls (donated by Mrs. Wood). Everyone had a ravenous appetite, and the sandwiches and cookies and other good things to eat disappeared like lightning; in fact, we had to grab the table decorations to prevent them from being consumed too. After everything but the crumbs had been demolished, everyone gathered around the Christmas tree for the distribution of presents. Although the limit was 50 cents, it was amazing what that 50 cents purchased. The nicest in everyone’s opinion, since we could all share in it, was the present Herb Bush received — a large box of delicious red apples! Then, while we all munched apples or popcorn balls, Dr. Nelson climbed up on the radiator and took our pictures for this issue of the *Sugar Press*. As you will note, after trying to find them on these pages, they just don’t exist. We don’t know who made a face at the camera, but anyway the pictures didn’t come out well enough to print.

The R. T. Nelsons are now the proud parents of two daughters. Janet Ann was born November 20th, weight 9 pounds. She is quite an armful — especially for Barbara Jean, her big sister, 3½ years old. We persuaded Russ to let us have a picture of both of them and here it is.

This winter the greenhouse facilities of the Experiment Station are not being used merely for the growing of beets. In the headhouse (see cut) is presently being conducted a test on storage quality of beets which is something new in the way of laboratory tests. The beets are sealed up in the steel drums and are furnished their measured supply of oxygen from the inflated balloons. The balloons as pictured furnish about one day’s supply of oxygen, indicating that this stuff is really used in quantity. The real problem lies in the fact that the oxygen used in burning or destroying the sugar in the beets and creates an ever-mounting deficit in the sugar supply each successive day beets are stored before processing. It is suggestive from the work already done that some lots of beets burn up oxygen and sugar like a nervous person, while other lots are less consumptive, like a hibernating bear. It is hoped that varieties of beets can be developed which will hibernate well between harvesting and process-
ing, thus reducing the sugar loss coincident with the transport and piling of beets. Soils men tell us that sugar beets require large amounts of $O_2$ in the soil for normal growth, therefore the need for adequate soil aeration.

Another new project underway at the station, which has aroused considerable interest, is the initiation of breeding for cold resistance in sugar beets. New apparatus in the form of a portable refrigeration unit was constructed last summer and is now going full blast at the job of freezing seedling beets. Eventually, it is hoped that we may be able to avoid some of the freeze-outs on early planted fields. Of course, the staff accused Ralph Wood of attempting to put long underwear on the sugar beet. They have even gone so far as to make a cartoon of Mr. Beet in his winter snuggies, as you can see from the accompanying illustration.

Among recent visitors were Clarence W. Nelson, whom we enjoyed meeting as Dr. Nelson's brother, and his son Robert. Other visitors were Alfred Bahl, Spraying Systems Co., St. Louis, Missouri; C. C. Calkins, president of the Calkins Mfg. Co., Spokane, Washington; and Russell Johnson of the University of Minnesota, recently employed by the Spreckles Sugar Company to head their agricultural research department. A very recent visitor was A. J. Th. Hendriksen, head of the Plant Breeding Department of D. J. van der Have, of Kapelle-Biezelinge, The Netherlands.

BRIGHTON

IRENE SWORD, Associate Editor

A NOTHER campaign is over and Brighton ended in 9th place with a figure of 99.69. Guess all we can say is (as they say in Brooklyn), “Wait 'til next year!” Our hats are off to Fern Barnhart and his Brush outfit who took first place with 101 plus. Very nicely done!

- We again have a big program outlined for us during the coming intercampaign and we have a comparatively large crew of 65 men held over to do the job. High on the list is a remodeling job on our carbonation system together with the one-pound packaging machine and carton sealer in the sacking station.

Bill Miller and his crew are already taking out some of the present Kelly
equipment and are knocking a big hole in the floor to get the carton sealer into the sacking station.

Ed Enwall is supervising the actual installation of the packaging equipment and has Chuck Sword, Buz Schuyler and Ed Hoselton helping out.

Homer Osborne is "learning" his three neophyte helpers, namely, Danny Lehl, Dick Depperschmidt and George Schneider all about the centrifugals. We figure he'll do a good job of teaching too, because he mistakenly thinks this will be his last year on them. Guess it doesn't hurt to dream a little, Homer!

Dana Wells will again work over the recorders, etc., as soon as he finishes in the lab. (What are you doing up there, Dana, waiting for warm weather?)

Bill Scholes, Pete Eberly and Dale Case are working over the boilers with the help of campaign craneman Russ Gaskins. Incidentally, Dale was promoted to boiler house foreman in the middle of campaign and did a fine job.

"Molasses" Metcalfe and his assistants, Willie Stoops and Walt Clark, are having a hard time keeping the pulp going out fast enough to make room for the fertilizer coming in.

Harry Wallace is dividing his time between the sugar warehouse and the shop while Dean Overstake, Kenneth Hither and Bob Farlow are working over the Kellys (or what's left of them).

Lynn Brown is again figuring hard to save money on the juice and water pumps and at the same time trying to get them overhauled, Hugo Pruess and Alex Miller are helping him with his calculations. Otto Zummach and Alex also overhauled the yard truck recently.

Harvey Linstrom is keeping an eye cocked toward Homer's centrifugals as well as the shafting and a few other odd jobs to keep him occupied.

George Ziegler and his crew of Vern Garrett, Bill Todd, Charlie Todd and Johnny Meagher are getting ready for the new piping necessary for the carbonation system.

Art Bohm and the "Voltage Twins," "220" Childers and "440" Shearston, are working over the electrical system.

John Kreitzer is assisting Claude Lewis in repairing the belts, while Claude is also working on the dryer list on the side.

Fuzzy Burt, Claude Hollemon, Al Kercher, Ollie Welburn, Louis Otto, Phil Schissler, Leroy Davis, Reuben Kraft, Henry Lehl, and Bill Phares are the big wheels on the carbonation job under Bill Miller while Bennie Schissler and Pete Coursey are working over the evaporator tubes.

Algie Hight is also contributing his "destructive" ability to the carb job and to getting the sealer and packaging machine to the sacking station.

Chet Potts and Harvey Sells have been working over pan and tank valves while Walt Dunham has worked on the pipe gang. George Myers has the crane to take care of Lou Cutler and Clarence Eaton are looking after the shop work.

George Squires, Tony Bollig and Clarence VonFeldt have been on sugar while Fred Trostel has been herding the tow-motor around, all under the supervision of "Bevrose" Bradley. Floyd Dinkel has been on sugar and also the yard truck.

Fred Schissler runs the sugar bins and is extra watchman on Wednesdays. L. B. Tucker, M. T. Fennelly and T. E. Prather have again resumed their lonely vigil as night watchmen.

Supervising the whole she-bang stands Mr. Anton Maximillian Schertel with Mr. B. Franklin Jones immediately behind him. (Jones is the one with the whip). Right now, though, Mr. Jones is busily cutting down the maintenance list work sheets as fast as the boys bring them in. That ancient Monroe Calculator (Mr. Aitken, please note) is getting a real work-out.

An evening of fun and entertainment was enjoyed by G-W employees and their families at a party planned by the local union and held at the American Legion Home on January 7. Fuzzy Burt acted as master of ceremonies and introduced the guests. A special program of dancing and musical numbers was arranged for by Al Kercher. Dancing furnished the entertainment for the remainder of the evening. John Kreitzer, Louis Otto, Al Kercher and Alex Dick were in charge of the arrangements for the party and Algie Hight, assisted by Reuben Kraft, Lou Cutler, Ed Hoselton, Gerald Childers and Chuck Sword, prepared the delicious food for the occasion. An estimated three hundred persons were present and a fine time was had by all.

Mr. and Mrs. Les Enwall are the proud parents of a baby daughter, Nancy Elaine, born December 13.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Upton enjoyed a Christmas holiday vacation in Minneapolis with relatives. While there they witnessed the production of a television show.
Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hall are vacationing at this writing and we understand they were headed for Little Rock, Arkansas.

Following a lingering illness, Mrs. C. F. Johnson passed away in a Denver hospital on January 10. She and Mr. Johnson had lived in Brighton during his twenty three years of service as manager of the Brighton and Fort Lupton factories and had continued to make their home here since his retirement in 1948. Our deepest sympathy goes to the family in their bereavement.

FORT Lupton FACTORY

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Hansen enjoyed a vacation trip to Los Angeles the first part of January. Mr. Hansen is caretaker at the Fort Lupton factory. E. G. Miller stayed at the factory in the absence of Mr. Hansen.

Mrs. J. S. Withrow suffered a broken hip when she fell while shopping in a Denver store before the holidays. After spending several days in the hospital, she is now home and is recovering nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Ball headed south on their vacation trip that took them to Texas and New Orleans.

The High-Ten banquet honoring the master beet growers in the Fort Lupton district was held January 9 at the Keenesburg American Legion Home. "A darned good dinner" it is reported, "but small servings of pie, just a quarter of a large apple pie for each guest." The dinner was served by the Keenesburg Legion Auxiliary.

JOHNSTOWN

JERRY DONAHUE, Associate Editor

We were all deeply shocked and saddened to hear of the death of Rex L. Miller, assistant, master mechanic, on November 23rd, 1949. Rex was accidentally struck by a truck while fighting a weed fire west of Johnstown. We offer our sincerest sympathies to his widow, family and friends.

Head Pipefitter Ted Grott was appointed assistant master mechanic to succeed Rex. Herman Owen, from the Greeley factory, was selected as head pipefitter. We extend our congratulations to both of these men on their advancements.

Phillip Scheller, beet end foreman, Ed McKim, sugar end foreman, Henry Schemp, sugar boiler and Rhiney Bernhardt, beet end extra man, from the Windsor plant are now helping here with some special jobs.

Boiler House Foreman Lew Thompson, Jim Jenkins and Joe Bontrager have been getting their share of work lately trying to keep the boiler running.

Best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Moore on the birth of a new baby.

Storekeepers Leon Fuller, Clarence Osborn and Bill Lockard have just recently completed taking the storeroom inventory. Maybe they can catch up with their lost sleep now.

We are happy to announce that George Case is improving in Fitzsimons hospital from his severe burning which occurred at his home.

Lee Tregoning, Jim Teal and Ernest Pope passed out cigars on their shift for Christmas.

A. J. Thomas and Bill Baker were each presented with a Christmas gift from the lady sugar packagers.

We understand Heinie Zisch will be back on the job shortly following his brief hospitalization in St. Luke’s in Denver. Ancil Cameron was acting manager during Heinie’s absence.

Congratulations to Florence Lammers on her recent wedding.

OVID

MOTT CANNON, Associate Editor

Well, another campaign is behind us and the usual adjustments and examinations are under way. Groans, curses and the gnashing of dentures can be heard coming from the superintendent’s office as the boys strive mightily to achieve the desired figure on maintenance accounts.

Again we offer our congratulations to the Brush gang for a winning campaign.

Supt. George and Mrs. Atkinson made quite an extended trip covering about 4000 miles, the main stop being Chattanooga, Tenn., where they spent the holidays with son Bill and wife.

Asst. Master Mechanic Whiteside spent a few days in the hills trying for an elk. Whittle reported one elk sighted but Mr. Elk with rare judgment headed over into the National Park where he proceeded to give the hunters the elk’s laugh.

This writer and family spent the holidays at the home of his wife’s parents in Sidney, Mont. The town of Sidney, being only 100 miles from the Canadian border as the crow flies, is somewhat on the frosty side.

Master Mechanic Al and Mrs. Neis
are planning on a journey East where they will pick up a new car for the return trip. Rumor hath it there will be another Buick in our midst soon. Son Howard will accompany them as far as Lincoln where he will enter college.

Steffen Foreman Pat Hewgley and Bill Cleary are working on the innards of the Industrial filters at the present writing.

Dryer Foreman Eugene DeManche and Sugar Boiler Hap Alexander are fixing up the pans.

Extra Station Foreman Bob Weisgerber, Lloyd Graham and Beet End Foreman Harvey Wood are on the last lap with the evap tube rumbling.

Sugar End Foreman Ralph Hays and Sugar Boiler Maynard Laufman are putting the pumps together again.

Beet End Foreman Clyde Kemper and Phil Mollendor are the main engine men.

Beet End Foreman Herb McQueen and Boiler House Foreman Sam Scott are fixing up the valves.

Dryer Foreman Nick Bretz and Extra Foreman Del Lay are looking after the dried pulp.

Sugar Boiler Erwin Henry, Sugar End Foreman Jack Peyrouse, Centrifugal Foreman Doc VanDyke and Daniel Reyes are upholding the dignity and moral integrity of the pipe gang.

Doc and Miss Vivian Brenckle recently embarked on the sea of matrimony. Congratulations and best wishes of the gang go to the happy couple.

STERLING
J. J. KENNEDY, Associate Editor

A very successful campaign ended December 14, 1949. Sterling finished in fourth place, and but for some hard luck in the last period, we could have placed more favorably. Congratulations to the winners.

Since campaign everyone is busy on the usual routine work for this time of year — dismantling equipment — examining — estimating cost of repairs. The supervisory group has the maintenance list practically ready for the red pencils at the district office at Scottsbluff.

On February 1, 1950, our veteran boilerhouse foreman, Jim Cummins, was to be retired after forty years service with the Company at the Sterling factory. Jim was born in County Kilkenny, Ireland, where even the cats are famous. He came to the States a young man of eighteen and settled for a while with relatives in Missouri. He started working for the Company steady about 1910, becoming boilerhouse foreman in 1913. We will miss Jim and his dry humor, and wish him many years of contented retirement. Come and see us often, Jim.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwards spent the Christmas holidays in California visiting their daughters and grandchildren. Leland Groves spent his extra weeks vacation in Denver. Ed Drew spent his finishing his new basement.

Lenora Myers, campaign assistant chemist, whilst visiting in Denver, unfortunately had to submit to emergency surgery. She is now recuperating at her sister's home in Denver.

Jim Reinhardt is still at St. Luke's hospital in Denver slowly recovering from his serious accident of last campaign.

Jerry Kisler has returned from Denver and is back on the job after a bout with the surgeon.

Chief Chemist Edwards, Don Latta, Mrs. Edwards, Charles Kaepenrik, and crew, are busy on seed operations, as is customary this time of year.

Inventories, inventories, and more inventories are about driving the store-room crew crazy. They hope nobody will think of any more. Jack Kennedy and Dave Ruf are glad the maintenance list is out of the way, and no more time will be consumed looking up prices of material and equipment bought from a year to twenty years ago.

Our esteemed editor has deadlines, the auditing department has deadlines, and we're afraid we cannot make all of them.

Our boys around here seem to be getting Chrysler conscious. Some months ago Clarence Potter bought one, then J. C. Patten, and now it is rumored Ray Brown has one. This cannot be verified. It seems Ray came home one night late driving a new car, and like the Arab silently drove away early next morning.

Art Mosley, who has been mainly instrumental in starting the barbershop quartet craze in Sterling, had a big day, Sunday, January 22nd. Quartets from Wyoming, Nebraska and Colorado sang to a large and appreciative audience and Art's group in their debut were as good as the best.
Now about this time we were all talking about the big blizzard of "49." This year the picture is reversed with the Rocky Mountain region very dry but which has been relieved in part by a recent snow, a five-inch fall being recorded at Brush.

At a recent meeting of the local A.F. of L., officers were elected for the coming year. Vernon Churchwell is the new president, succeeding Frank Tate who was elected vice president. Varlan Wecker was re-elected to the financial secretary's job, Shirley Price was re-elected recording secretary. Harry Daily was re-elected treasurer. New Guard is Rudy Bretzke. A new employees' committee was elected composed of Roy Capper, Bill Alexander and Frank Tate. Carl Lorensen was elected trustee for a three year term.

The Ralph Bristols have adopted a fine new boy whom they have named Steven. They have another son, Phil, age three years.

The "year round" crew has been expanded by the addition of several men. Those carried over were Pat Bowen, battery foreman; Jake Schilling, lime kiln foreman; Leslie Teter, evaporator man; Carl Relch, mechanic; John Hasting, package foreman; Sam Krehmeyer, mechanic; Gottfried Ruhl, watchmen; Tom Hagan, extra station man.

Some fair sized maintenance jobs are under way, namely, a partial new floor on the beet end, a new coat of paint for the beet end and new foundations for two centrifugal receiving tanks. There is still quite a lot of work to do to finish the new galvanized roof on the lime kiln but no one is very keen about doing it with the thermometer sticking around the zero mark.

It looks like its going to be a good year for commercial fertilizer with Brush scheduled to receive approximately nine carloads.

Jack Huleatt parted company with his '38 Chevy and has taken a fancy to a '47 Pontiac sedan which he plans on herding out to California, on up to Washington and then east along the Columbia river and back home.

Vernon Churchwell and Stony Price each purchased '47 Chevys which no doubt will see a lot of country, come vacation time.

At this writing, the annual store inventory has just been completed, the ordeal being eased considerably by Doss Hutchison who helped to take it again this year.

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Vern Hall bought a Plymouth and is now in the two-car class. Floyd Logan swapped for a classy Ford. Al Gammel got a Ford for the same price as a bicycle, so as to have a factory car. Lou Clements traded his old Buick for a late model Pontiac with all the late accessories you might imagine as equipment.

This factory has ten men on the twenty-five year list who will take the week's vacation for the long service. All are very happy and appreciate the recognition: C. R. Bachar, A. H. Burdette, E. E. Lingle, W. L. McDonnell, W. R. Giles, Conrad Urbach, D. H. Drew, W. E. Preston, Ben Woods, and C. R. Koontz.

W. R. Giles, sugar end foreman, was laid up with some cracked ribs and a bad cold as we went to press.


Visiting hours were advertised to the community the past campaign. During the visiting hours, many townspeople and farmers availed themselves of the opportunity of seeing the operation and processing of beets into white sugar.

A recent visitor in the home of Supt. N. J. Muscavitch and wife was their daughter Norma of Chattanooga. She made the trip here with her husband's father, Supt. George Atkinson of Ovid.

We wish to extend our sincere sympathy to Mrs. Russell Smith, office stenographer, in the death of her father.

Mrs. Ed. Preston, wife of Steffen Foreman W. E. Preston, had the misfortune to fall to the basement with an arm load of clothes. Luckily no bones were broken but she is suffering from some bad arm bruises.

The Local Union put on the regular after-campaign party at the local Armory. A good crowd attended. The program included music by the “Platte Valley Boys,” card games and refreshments. An enjoyable time was had by all. One of the local sugar boiler's cars appeared at the factory parking ground the following Monday with a new license plate upside down. The party had nothing to do with this (I wonder.)

It has been reported Asst. Master Mechanic Charles Cochran was seen in Greeley one Saturday afternoon walking up and down the streets tipping his hat to the lady models in the show windows. Should we take this as authentic?

C. R. Koontz got a new fishing pole from a friend in Japan. Lou broke the tip off trying out the whip.

#### SCOTTSBLUFF

**WINTER vacations are the order of the day at this time, due to the 25-year ruling; there being sixteen men and women at this plant entitled to an extra week. The list is as follows:** C. C. Adams, assistant master mechanic; R. I. Babbitt, chief chemist; R. A. Brown, sugar boiler; George Burrows, machinist; Lee Gibbons, head pipefitter; W. L. Gullette, assistant superintendent; Dora Hardin, stenographer; Harry Hood, sugar end foreman; R. N. Johnson, assistant superintendent; J. E. McAllister, assistant master mechanic; Henry Schar- ton, beet end foreman; Edwin Schmode, assistant superintendent; John Schraeder, sugar boiler; C. E. Smith, sugar boiler; P. W. Snyder, sugar boiler; and Oden Wrenn, Steffen foreman.

New cars about the place include: George Luce, Ford; R. N. Johnson, Chevrolet; Gene Adams, Buick convertible; and J. E. McAllister, slightly used Lincoln.

Machinist A. H. Hudson underwent an operation immediately after campaign and is now back on the job.

Sugar Boiler O. W. Dwyer was also hospitalized for surgery and is recuperating at home.

Sugar Boiler R. A. Brown was seriously ill and in the Veteran's Hospital at Cheyenne for treatment, but has now returned to his home.

Shop Foreman L. C. Morrison spent some time in the Veteran's Hospital recently and is now able to be on the job again.

Mrs. George W. Luce has been seriously ill at the Methodist Hospital and we are glad to report that she is now improving.

Mrs. Edwin Schmode was in St. Marys Hospital for surgery and is now recovering at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ardon W. Hight are **(Continued on page 33)**
### SUGAR WORKERS FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

Scottsbluff, Gering, Bayard, Mitchell and Lyman

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#### COMPARATIVE FINANCIAL AND STATISTICAL REPORT

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| Accounts Payable | $ — | $60.00 | $80.00 | $22.50 | $26.10 |
| Notes Payable | — | — | — | 1,000.00 | 3,000.00 |
| Shares | 7,774.02 | 11,537.29 | 16,853.67 | 23,231.07 | 29,032.79 |
| Reserve for Bad Loans | 472.48 | 543.12 | 642.51 | 945.79 | 1,316.22 |
| Undivided Profit | 222.47 | 320.49 | 612.96 | 1,231.14 | 2,066.34 |
| **TOTAL LIABILITIES** | $8,468.99 | $12,460.49 | $18,189.14 | $26,430.50 | $35,441.45 |

| **Number of Members** | 214 | 226 | 260 | *203 | *213 |
| **Average Share Account** | — | — | — | 114 | 136 |
| **Number of Loans made in year** | 50 | 63 | 106 | 139 | 123 |
| **Amount Loaned** | $9,017.00 | $14,067.00 | $24,574.74 | $46,144.23 | $45,956.34 |
| **Average Amount of Loan** | 180.00 | 223.00 | 232.00 | 332.00 | 373.00 |
| **Interest Income** | 545.44 | 712.70 | 1,271.44 | 2,342.07 | 3,231.64 |
| **Income from Investments** | 24.51 | 27.00 | 39.07 | 47.68 | 52.57 |
| **Other Income** | 22.60 | 77.25 | 137.24 | 205.18 | 244.05 |
| **Total Expense** | 420.27 | 571.42 | 907.29 | 1,571.10 | 1,736.10 |
| **Dividends Paid** | 147.96 | 244.94 | 405.65 | 598.53 | — |
| **Dividends percent** | 2.40 | 3.00 | 3.00 | 3.00 | — |

*Accounts previously reported as members and co-members.*
the parents of a fine baby boy born a few days ago. Thanks for the cigars.

Mrs. Jack Hood was hospitalized but has now returned home.

Asst. Master Mechanic and Mrs. McAllister spent a week visiting in Lincoln and Omaha.

Sugar End Foreman Harry Hood, who is an inter-campaign shop machinist, decided to have a good chest for his fine tools, so during his leisure time he built one. It is about regular size, having a removable front, behind which are one long and about eight short drawers, all nicely laid out for the precision tools which he uses in the shop. The outside is made of several kinds of wood, expertly fitted together and finished in light oak. It is really a beautiful job.

Steffen Foreman and Mrs. Oden Wrenn spent their week of vacation in Kansas City, visiting a son.

Electrician Bill Lohrie was recently married to Elizabeth Hendricks and has just returned from a two-weeks honeymoon.

After the close of our campaign, Superintendent O. M. Cummer and Master Mechanic L. A. Whipple spent a few days visiting Colorado factories which were still operating.

Mr. and Mrs. George Burrows spent a few days of the winter vacation visiting in the eastern part of the state.

The associate editor tries at all times to avoid doing anything likely to be considered as a news item, but this time the Snyders slipped. Their purchase of a Hammond electric organ was something which could not be kept quiet; neither the fact of the purchase, nor the organ itself. Anyway, the Snyders, both Peck and Ruth, enjoy it and find it the most interesting and relaxing hobby they have ever tried.

The Sugar Workers Federal Credit Union, serving all factories of the North Platte Valley, completed its tenth year of successful operation on January 20, 1950. The annual meeting is scheduled for January 20, 1950, where reports of the year's operations, election of officers, and other business will be taken care of. It is planned to have a film of an educational nature, and a speaker from the State League, which will be followed by a buffet lunch.

Vacationers include the following: H. L. Hartburg who is enjoying a Caribbean cruise; M. S. Clement, manager, who made a trip East — to Massachusetts and New York; Roy Schitter and family who visited relatives in Oklahoma; Paul McMillan who spent some time in eastern Nebraska; and Bob Barton who visited the "night spots" in Las Vegas. Shirley Bennett, telephone operator, spent her vacation at home.

Darold D. Davidson is a new engineer in the district office.

Lucy McElroy was absent a few days due to a siege of the flu.

Mr. Roach and Mr. Andrews made a brief visit here recently.

GERING

CLIFFORD SEIFFERT, Associate Editor

A NOTHER campaign is now over and everybody agrees that it was "rough"—but here we are again with all our pumps and machinery scattered all over the place. So once more Gering is settling down to maintenance lists and inter-campaign life of tearing down and building up.

We at Gering suffered a great loss. George Goldfain, chief chemist, died the day after campaign. He worked all day Friday, December 23, 1949, assembling information for the campaign reports and died that night about midnight of a heart attack. For many years George has been one of Gering's most useful citizens, serving many public organizations in various capacities. At the time of his death he was district vice president of the Wyo-Braka Boy Scout Council, a member of the Gering school board and active in the affairs of the Episcopal Church. He was secretary as well as past master of the Scottsdullodge of A. F. & A. M., also a Royal Arch Mason and past worthy patron of the Order of Eastern Star. George entered the company's employment shortly after graduating from the Colorado School of Mines. Starting at Brush, he moved to the Valley in 1920 and had been chief chemist here since 1921. We will continue to miss George Goldfain.

Glen Horn, a pan benchman during the past campaign, died Saturday January 7, 1950. Glen has been ill for many years as a result of injuries sustained when riding as a jockey on some of the larger tracks. We extend our deepest sympathy to the Horn family.

Carl Miller, one of our new employees, has been passing out cigars. The baby was a 9 lb. 10 oz. boy. Carl confidentially told this reporter that the baby was so big and well developed at
the age of 3 days he had to start shaving. We are not sure Carl is capable of telling the truth as far as his new baby is concerned, but we are sure he is mighty pleased. Congratulations Carl, many happy returns.

The "Old Timers" are really having quite a time with their extra week vacation. Rusty Yocum and H. S. Davidson both spent the holidays at home. When last seen C. H. Scott (Scotty) and his boss (Mrs. Scott) were on their way to California to see their daughter and grand children. "Hoky" Holcomb is waiting for another 1949 blizzard to strike to start his. H. A. Abbott is going to use his in conjunction with a much needed operation. Oscar (P. V. & F.) Claycomb has made no statements except he fully well expects to have used up the time prior to March 1st, 1950.

Frank Quinn, sugar warehouse foreman, went to Washington, D. C., during campaign to appear at the hearings of the Department of Agriculture in connection with the consumptive estimate. We understand that Frank did a fine job. He was highly enthusiastic about our Capitol City and the marvelous things to be seen there. One of his outstanding achievements was to make Bob Fisher walk down from the top of the Washington Monument instead of taking the elevator.

Andy Enevoldsen, our new assistant superintendent from Lovell, has had a rather strenuous bout with the sick bed. He was feeling better according to the last report.

George Howard's mother-in-law died recently and was buried January 19, in Iowa. We extend our sympathy to Mrs. Howard and George.

Douglas Callahan, cashier, is a grandfather. Both he and we are proud of him. The baby that is.

Pryce Mitchell and Bruce Stallings are rumbling evaporator tubes. When last seen Thad Creager was mumbling in his beard about the short nipples in the boilers, Kermit Beal was sweating out the maintenance lists, and Floyd Mitchell was moving out the old generator. "Skippy" (alias Michelangelo) Holmes is painting the walls in the front room of the club house. Mrs. Force is pleased with his handiwork, so we can say his work "passed the test."

Ray Davidson's son went to work shortly after the first of the year in the district engineer's office in Scottsbluff. Paul Melton is now sojourning at home on a two weeks vacation—lucky man!

So ends our contribution for the Winter Issue.

BAYARD
PIERRE, Associate Editor

NEBRASKA has one undivided distinction — she has more weather than any other state in the nation. Last year we were digging out from under the dankest accumulation of snow seen this side of the Dawson trail, but the 1950 January finds Sugar Tramps plying the hose over carefully nitrated lawns, whilst discussing the possibilities of another dust bowl. If this weather keeps up, we'll be starting campaign right after the Fourth of July holiday!

As if fearing a repetition of last year's blizzard, the Ginn family departed for a holiday vacation with the Harry Booth family in Southern California. Our manager was somewhat nonplussed when he returned from his sojourn to find California weather sitting on his back doorstep.

Charley Ninegar also chose California as the ideal spot in which to spend the Christmas holidays, particularly since such a trip enabled him to view the younger generation with that peculiar sort of pride found only in grandparents.

Gordon Gardner charged off to Omaha on his vacation, but we haven't had the opportunity to gather the details of this trip, as he has been laid up with influenza since his return. We understand he has Old Man Flu on the mat, however, and should be back on the pay roll before many more days are thrown into the wastebasket.

Gabe Randall finally punched his time card after a long siege caused by a broken foot. This painful injury occurred November 25, when a pump casting fell on our genial house mechanic's left foot. Although he still favors the injured member, we are happy to report that he is back on the job, busily installing the dustop filters on the upper gravy.

Carl Haffner cracked a toe by dropping a piece of shafting upon it during the latter part of campaign, but he has discarded the crutches and is currently overhauling the white centrifugals.

Chuck Richter recently acquired a natty maroon Dodge, thereby creating shouts of joy from his progeny.

Our fieldmen have evidently become enamored of the product of the Studebaker corporation; after a thorough examination of Otto Stelk's classy-look-
Bayard’s Hepcats of yesteryear—about to cut loose with “Dardanella.” (About 1924).

ing wagon, Jack Elliott galloped out and returned with a nifty new Studie, and Abe Spurgin followed suit with a beautiful sea-green model. Wonder how long it’ll take Tom Nida and Augie Heldt to forsake General Motors and climb on the Studebaker bandwagon?

Earl Warrick took to bachelor fare of soup, bacon and breakfast food for a time, but seemed to be happy over the cause of it all—another granddaughter, courtesy of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kerr. Grandma, of course, had to make the jaunt to Ohio in order to welcome the stork in proper style, leaving Earl to keep the home fires burning. Congratulations!

Carrol Silsby, with the assistance of Bob Belden and Frankie Foster, created an atmosphere of warmth during the holiday season by dressing up the old spruce tree in our front yard. These artistic efforts met with enthusiastic sanction from employees and townspeople alike.

Jim Wimmer, Gene Pinske and Shorty Nagel have been prowling the ruins of Minatare, trying to salvage some worthwhile material for use in the job of interchanging our melters.

Recent high jinks at the Union Hall resulted in the election of Otis George as president, Ernie Harris as vice-president, Bob Belden as secretary, and Floyd Black as treasurer. Art Harris, Jack Belden and Steve Karnes were named trustees, while Otis George, Julius Keil and Roy Leytham were charged with the duties of the grievance committee.

As we go to press, Mr. Bond is making preparations for the annual trek to Denver. Seems as though balancing of the books down there will take up about two weeks of our cashier’s valuable time. Mrs. Bond, Margaret and Kathryn accompanied him on this trip.

Floyd Black and L. B. Lewellen finally came up for air after a long and sweaty tussle with a large variety of inventories. All set for the next one, boys?

Mr. Hartney and Mr. Bristol have completed an equally sweaty task, the maintenance list. Considerable sharpening of Chris Moberg’s pencil and pounding of Al Kosmicke’s typewriter have produced a massive tome which now awaits the censor’s shears with bated breath and pounding pulse.

Cupid has been raising havoc with one of our eligible bachelors, Sugar Boiler John Shaw. Seems as though one of the lunch counter gals made good enough coffee to claim his attention, and promptly snared the unsuspecting fellow! The date has not been definitely set, we understand, but we’re...
all anticipating the switch from Union Leader to Roi-Tans with eagerness.

The picture printed herewith was rescued from the lower left-hand file in the basement vault. It depicts an organization which must have caused great envy in the breasts of Paul Whiteman's band, not to speak of chagrin in the aggregation better known as Louie's Hungry Five. Identification of these hepcats was quite a chore, but the good memory of Chris Moberg plus the substitution of bald heads and spare tires assisted in casting light on the subjects.

The lady at the piano is Grace James, daughter of former house mechanic Hank James. Standing, left to right, are George Mason, the city's barber and musical director A-1; Chuck MacDonald, who was centrifugal foreman at that time; C. H. Monasmith, former chief electrician; George Wiggins, former shop foreman now living in retired bliss in Missouri; J. E. Dorrigan, head belt man before Jim Wimmer showed up on the premises; and Cliff Turner, former Bayard manager before he deserted G-W for the sunnier clime of Arizona. Seated, left to right, are Jack McDonald, now chief squeeze at Longmont; Eugene Pinske, shortly after arriving from parts unknown with his banjo on his knee; Steve Karnes, still patrolling the beet end at Bayard; Gordon Gardner, who quit pounding the drums and is now pounding his beat as assistant superintendent; Hap Calvert, who has acquired the title of assistant master mechanic and about seventy pounds of inner tube; Rodney Seismiller, former assistant storekeeper; and Abe Duerksen, who now fiddles with Duerksen's Machine Shop in Bridgeport.

**MITCHELL**

B. S. PLENTY, Associate Editor

CAMPAIGNS are over and final figures are in, so congratulations to Brush, Lovell, Windsor and Sterling. We tried but guess we didn't try hard enough so we'll just have to do better next year.

Manager and Mrs. Juergens took off on January 4 for the sunny climate of Texas and possibly Mexico. Latest reports were they were enjoying a temperature of 80 degrees. Gee that sounds comfortable considering the low temperatures we have experienced the past few weeks.

We print a picture of Dick Richard and his catch of beauties taken last fall from one of our many excellent trout streams. These were from the Nine-Mile. The largest weighed 3 and 3/4 pounds. For the benefit of Bob Moore of Fort Collins, Dick would like to have him identify his catch as to whether they're CARP or trout.

Don Hansen, beet end foreman, is the proud owner of a new Plymouth and L. G. Witham, mechanic, a Kaiser.

Matt Brennan, master mechanic, underwent surgery on his right eye the middle part of December to correct his vision, which suffered injury in the airplane crash of January, 1949 during our severe blizzard, while on rescue missions. We are happy to state the operation was a success and his eye is as good as new.

Sympathy is extended to M. V. Rogers, mechanic, on the death of his mother, and to W. W. Dodd on the death of his brother-in-law, Al Neimey of Bakersfield, California.

Employees who are enjoying an extra week's vacation on account of 25 years of service are W. W. Dodd, E. A. Chirrick, G. J. Vail, L. L. Hays, E. W. Todd, Lee Stewart, Stanley Brozze, J. H. Richard and Alex Deines. Most of these folks spent their vacations at home.
LYMAN

J. H. LAWSON, Associate Editor

As we go to press we understand Manager Juergens and Mrs. Juergens are enjoying a months vacation in Texas.

Fieldman Henderson and family spent a few days vacation after Christmas in Colorado visiting relatives. On their return, daughter Barbara came down with the chicken pox; however, we are glad to report that Barbara has now recovered and back in school.

Fieldman Krueger and family spent the holidays in Colorado.

Roy Brown, caretaker, is off due to a back injury. We hope to see Roy back on the job again soon.

William L. Tucker, watchman, was off a few days account of the flu, but is again back on the job.

Pfc. Robert N. Lawson, is on furlough from Camp Gordon, Georgia, visiting his father Joe Lawson and friends here in Lyman.

We were assisted by Ralph Rice, Jim Graham and George Colgrove from the Scottsbluff dump crew in taking inventories at the Lyman factory. We had a nice cold job, but it was a job well done in spite of conditions.

Chet Morse and his staff members are overhauling some of the houses in the colony, rather cold on their fingers pounding nails and running concrete but they never complain.

H. T. (Wag) Waggoner, called on old friends during the holidays. Nice to see Wag again; we hadn’t seen him all campaign and we worried as to how he was doing, especially around the waist-line, and if our eyes didn’t fail us, he was somewhat on the trim side. We were also glad to see Glen Kline and family from Sterling.

BILLINGS

TY MILLER, Associate Editor

Again we offer our congratulations to Brush for winning the pennant, and to Windsor for coming in third; we are especially glad to note that Lovell finished second. This breaks the Colorado monopoly on the extra vacation. If the Press had a suggestion box, we would submit a suggestion that Brush and Windsor compete with each other for a pennant, and let the rest of us fight it out for another pennant of our own.

Our campaign in Montana was going great guns until Ma Nature cut loose with an October snowstorm that fouled us up for the remainder of the season. We recovered enough top soil, in the form of mud, to start a government homestead project. Let it be noted here that we finally did finish slicing. Nuff said.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Holoubek announced the birth of a daughter November 24, 1949. The new member arrived Thanksgiving Day. A new daughter and turkey all in one day is cause for a celebration.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Riddell announced the birth of a son, John Harvey, on December 15 last. This makes two sons for the Riddells. Your editor, with two daughters, wonders what the secret is.

Messrs. D. J. Roach and Lyman H. Andrews were in Billings January 19 to hold a meeting with the beet growers association pertaining to a beet contract for the coming year.

One day during campaign George Mitchell and Bert Huddleston gained entry to Shop Foreman Barney Pip-pin’s locker in the shop. Each took one of Barney’s cigars (the only two he had) and then sought Barney. During the ensuing conversation first Bert, then George, offered Barney a cigar. Barney thought the millennium had arrived and thanked the fellows profusely. Some time later Barney went to his locker to get one of his own cigars and it was then he discovered that he had been made a victim of a dastardly hoax. Since then Barney has been skeptical of all who come to him bearing cigars. In other words, he blew his top.

There have been some recent transfers in the agricultural department. Fieldman R. H. Riddell was transferred from the Shepherd-Cline territory to Bridger. Fieldman Lowell Mondt was transferred from Bridger to the Billings office. Apprentice fieldman Thurman English was promoted to fieldman of the Shepherd-Cline territory.

We welcome two new members to the Billings group. Bill McGuffey comes here as an apprentice fieldman. Bill had been here only a few days when, as the innocent bystander, his car was hit by a city truck.

The second new member is Jack Corshberg, assistant chemist. Jack spent the campaign at Fort Collins as assistant chemist, then came to Billings.

In January Mrs. R. L. Kimmons was hospitalized to undergo surgery. At the
latest report she was recovering nicely.

Our sympathy was extended to Mrs. Louis Holoubek whose father, John F. Nelson of Billings died November 12.

We offer our sympathy also to Mrs. J. T. Davis, whose mother, Mrs. W. J. Harding, of Windsor died December 14.

There are several more new cars in our parking lot. E. W. Kyger, Hap Morton, and Mary Marler all have new Fords. George Mitchell traded his Olds for a new Buick; P. O. Brush traded his Plymouth for a new Buick; and C. A. Whitaker traded his Ford for a newer model Ford.

M. J. Kimble flew to Flint, Michigan, January 19, to pick up a new Buick and drive it back to Billings.

Several of our members took mid-winter vacations. V. C. Anderson spent part of his time in Missoula, Montana, visiting with his son and family. The remainder of Andy’s time was spent in Nebraska. G. C. Fosgate and Bill Bly stayed home. Paul Marsh made a two-week trip to Whittier, California, to visit his son. The Herb Sheffields went to Illinois for the holidays. Tom Breshears vacationed a week in January—don’t know what he did.

Shortly before Christmas the GWES CO Club held its annual Christmas party for the menfolk. Several games were played, but Bingo and Canasta were patronized the most. A swell lunch was served and all who attended had a good time. Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Garber of Lovell were able to attend and renew old acquaintances.

We welcome as new permanent personnel Walter Heagle, Tom Blank and Wayne McBeth, all battery men. Ben Reiber in the pulp warehouse; Ermal Archer in the storeroom, and Howard Abney with the dump crew, are also new members of the organization.

Glances around the mill—Mike Heiser, Virgil Lindell, Ernie Spalinger, Pete Wax and Jake Ruff making packages in the sugar warehouse. Bud Bracken, Walter Heagle, Bud Barkley, Walter Griffin and Tom Breshears loading sugar. Bill Humphrey is again issuing sugar from the bins, while Ray Daley is making powdered sugar. Archie Brown is repairing belts. Manuel Kaiser, Wayne McBeth, Irvin Schindler and Ben Reiber are resacking pellets. Ray Dimmitt, Jack Graham, Chas Whitaker and John Burkhard are processing beet seed. Les Butler is cutting up the battery cells. Percy Teters and Henry Rieke are giving the valves the once over. Tom Blank and Slim Roslein are making a lot of noise cleaning the second carb pipe lines. Ray LaSeur, Clare Clark, Bob Olsen and Francis Cashner are overhauling the centrifugals. Bill Bly and Earl Bittner are doing some preservative painting. Harry Dernback and Wilbur Barkley are doing carpenter work and replacing broken windows. Albert Bittner and Jack Leonard are working on the juice heaters. Clarence Olson and Pat Smith are pulling the time from the kilns. Loren O’Dell, Hap Morton, John Hanna, Bernie Lindell and Barney Pippin are holding forth in the shop. Gene Kyger and Jim McGrady are working somewhere around the sugar end engine. Jack Runge, Ernie “Damfino” Dickerson, and Ermal Archer are attempting to inventory the store stock. Joe Piram and Paul Parker are overhauling pumps.

In the office Mrs. Davis, Oscar Balt-rusch and Oliver Brush are all busy at their respective tasks. Bill Wilson drops in occasionally and he and Stan Lewis do a little pre-season fishing.

If we missed anyone, please let the editor know about your hiding place. Might come in handy some day.

LOVELL
BESSIE ROSS, Associate Editor

THE time has gone so fast since the last issue of the Sugar Press we up this way are overtaken for time to get the news in on time. The List is our alibi—might add at least the list is almost ready to go to the printer to be bound.

The Jack Asay family were frightened badly the night of November 25 when word came to them that their son, Tom had fallen into Devil’s Canyon. He was riding to a ranch up there with a group of other fellows when the accident occurred. Tom was badly cut and bruised and he spent several days here in the hospital and a couple of weeks in the Veteran's hospital at Cheyenne. He is home now and mostly recovered from the experience.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Nicholls went to Logan, Utah, the 23rd of November to attend the funeral services for Mrs. Nicholls’ sister, Mrs. Cash Carlton who had passed away there the day before. Mrs. Carlton had lived in this community most of her life before going to Utah in 1945 and will be remembered by her many friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. Hostetler and Mr. Smith spent Thanksgiving in Colorado—the Hostetlers with Mr Hostetler’s sister and family the McDonalnds at
Longmont and Mr. Smith at Fort Morgan with his wife.

Thanks, Fort Morgan, for the tip—but we found out long ago that “Smitty” is good at “Digging Out the Dirt” as he has the lab shining like a million dollars.

“Swifty” returned to Lovell December 16 from Billings where he had been with the crane loading beets for the Billings factory from the outlying dumps.

Mrs. Roy Arnoldus and Mrs. Merrill Godfrey have each spent some time in the hospital the last few weeks, Mrs. Arnoldus here in the Lovell Hospital and Mrs. Godfrey in St. Vicent's in Billings. We are glad to report they are both much improved at this writing.

John Leithead has returned to Lovell from his annual trek to New York City where he goes each year for the Christmas holidays so as to be with his son Barry and family who live there.

The park lot is all dressed up with the addition of several new cars seen in it these days. George Averett has a new Chevrolet which he got last fall, Roy Arnoldus is driving a new black 1950 Chevrolet, Lloyd Garber a nearly new Mercury and Jessie Stone a nearly new Ford.

Mrs. Charles Monk, mother of our watchman and campaign assistant chemist, John Monk, passed away at her home in Cowley the night of January 8. Mrs. Monk was past 85 years of age and had lived in Cowley Community for over thirty years.

We wish at this time to acknowledge with a great deal of gratification and pride on the part of the regular factory and operating crews the winning of second place in the pennant race. This goes for the field force too who did a swell job of supplying beets when the storm struck in early October. Supt. Hostetler and Master Mechanic Houser with their entire crew are to be congratulated on the splendid task well done at Lovell. So much do the fellows appreciate even thinking about the extra three days vacation that they are to get this year that they are now preparing for an extra week in 1951.

While waiting for summer and vacation to come, here is the conversation we hear about how each one in the mill and main office will spend his vacation on account of the three extra days:

Jack Asay says he usually goes to Salt Lake City about the first of April each year therefore he will take his three days then. Lloyd Garber, who just bought a nearly new Mercury and who had an extra weeks vacation during the holidays because he had been with the Company for over 25 years, (and since the water heater in his home burned out and he had to buy a new one right now) says “I may have to stay at home on account of you know what.”

Jessie Stone, whose sister lives in Bakersfield, California, and on account of having a new Ford too, will take his family and mother and go out to see the sister.

Henry Kupilik thinks a trip to Yellowstone park would be the nicest 3-day vacation he could think of right now. Mr. Kupilik with his family just returned from a two weeks visit to California.

Dan Schmidt says he couldn't get very far away on three days and he will stay here at the factory and keep things a-humming while the rest of the fellows have fun.

From the main office “Hub” Martin too says he will be at his desk—Bet the first worms John digs will change his mind.

Roy Landon is more honest and says he expects to do some fishing on his three extra days.

Leah Akers: “Oh I guess I'll just play around home, or that is the way I feel right now.”

George Averett will take Mrs. Averett and spend a vacation visiting his two married daughters who live near San Francisco.

Ervin Lynn will go visit his wife's family in New Mexico, Joe Asay is going to get an elk and with the balance of the three days will do some fishing and have a good time right here at home.

Ted Harbert with his family is going to Nebraska to visit his brother.

Myrl Averett will build a garage so he can get his car started mornings when it is 24° below and he will not have to walk to work in the cold.

Fred Ross with three extra days surely will build another house, on a second thought he may go elk hunting.

Merrill Godfrey will go hunting, big game of course, as will Bill Oatman.

Roy Arnoldus is going to California in the new 1950 Chevrolet, He says “That is IF.”

Clyde Nicholls will go to Washington State and on down to Oregon.

“Swifty” wants to go to Kansas to visit his father.

Wallace Baird will go North to see Glacier National Park.
Glen Averett will tour Idaho and Utah and visit relatives while there. Verner Asay with his family is going to Nebraska to visit Mrs. Asay’s family. Glen Butler will take his family to Idaho Falls, Idaho to visit relatives. Superintendent and Mrs. B. F. Hostetler will go to Glacier National Park, on into Canada and home by way of Minneapolis. They will make the trip in a new Ford.

Master Mechanic and Mrs. S. J. Houser will go east to Indianapolis, Indiana where Jim wants to see the auto races.

In the next Sugar Press News will report to you on where the Agricultural Department is spending vacation as it was impossible to contact them at this time.

HORSE CREEK QUARRY

“TIZZIE,” Associate Editor

Who wants to live in California or Florida, when a person can enjoy the same kind of weather in Wyoming—“up to now.” Assistant Superintendent and Mrs. W. F. Lang announced the marriage of their daughter Jo Ann to Warren S. Russell of Torrington, Wyoming. The ceremony was performed at Kimball, Nebraska, by Rev. Littrell on December 3, 1949. Congratulations and best wishes are extended to the bride and groom.

Our deepest sympathy is extended to George Ryan and the L. E. Snyder family and it is with regret we report the passing of Mrs. Henryetta Ryan on November 12, 1949. E. B. Baker, assistant mine foreman, has decided it is better to milk cows than to mine limestone, so he and Mrs. Baker have moved to Poteau, Oklahoma, to take over his father’s dairy herd.

The “flu bug” is making the rounds, those afflicted by the bug have been: B. V. Bartley, Frank Koza, Leona Miller, L. F. Miller, O. A. Eatmon, Lil Anderson, Mrs. E. H. Smith, S. F. Smejkal and C. S. Tucker.

R. C. (Bob) Snyder and family made a trip to California to visit their son, Ernie at Santa Rosa. Bob visited the winery at Asti. Bob lost his compass and was a week late getting back home.

F. L. Schamens, mucking machine operator, was passing out the cigars and candy. The occasion was his marriage to Carole Cross, daughter of Mine Foreman and Mrs. Bill Cross, Sr. on December 10, 1949 at Cheyenne. Best of luck to them.

J. W. Dudgeon accompanied by John L. Fellows paid us a visit on December 14.

T. P. Davis is going around all smiles because he is the proud father of a daughter, Joyce Lynn, born December 2, 1949.

Messrs. Lindy Barker and Jack Torpey of Du Pont Powder Company paid us a visit to see if we were having any troubles with our blasting operations.

We welcome to our group, Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Brand of Cheyenne. They are making their home in the Lang’s cottage, also Mr. and Mrs. Jim Williams, who are occupying the room back of Lang’s store.

Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Van Zee announced the engagement of their daughter, Carol to Robert Stroh of Cheyenne. Mr. Stroh is employed by the Union Pacific Railroad. The date of the wedding has not been set.

W. H. Tourville, commissarian, and Mrs. Tourville spent several days in the “Big City” of Denver during Christmas.

Bill Leedy, plant operator, traded his Chev coupe for a GMC pickup. Looks like the fish had better find some good hiding places when fishing season starts.

Frank Simon has returned to the fold after an absence of fifteen years. Frank and his wife will live in one of the cottages.

Scoutmaster E. C. Hays took the troop to Denver on January 14 so they could attend the stock show. Mrs. Hays, not being a scout, did not go, but kept the home fires burning.

Superintendent and Mrs. Larson made a business and pleasure trip to Fort Collins on January 14 and 15. They report that Wyoming does not have all the wind.

James Jackson traded his Olds for a Mercury, Bill Van Zee bought a Chev sedan and Frank Simon bought a Plymouth.

Bill Cross, Jr., has been wrestling the Widowmaker in the raises, but he has now relinquished it to Everett Van Zee.

Ed “Pretty” Purdy is being kept pretty busy with his welding stinger on maintenance in the plant and keeping the rolling stock rolling.

Mark Stoneman is running loose around the place. He claims he is chasing volts and amps.