One man working rapidly in a big field—illustrating the simplified spring techniques on which our field forces are working.

Crop Off To Good Start
How The G-W Pension Plan Is Working
Among the Personnel
How you can paint this picture

MAYBE you're the type that can't even draw a straight line. And yet—you can create this beautiful scene... and, what's more, you can star yourself in the leading role—and all it takes is just a few strokes of your pen!

Leisure... retirement... a chance to take it easy in a few years... that's for you! Then—why not make sure? Right here where you work you'll find the opportunity to make these bright promises possible. Decide NOW to get on a regular savings plan—which means, join Payroll Savings!

Once you've signed up a certain sum will be set aside for you automatically every payday in U. S. Savings Bonds—and you know they're the world's safest, surest investment. They're profitable, too—in ten years, when your bonds mature, you'll find yourself collecting $400 for every $300 you've put away today.

Put OPPORTUNITY in YOUR Future! Join Payroll Savings
Crop Off To Good Start

As we go to press the sugar market is improving and the 1949 beet crop in G-W territory is off to a very promising start. Contracted acreage, while slightly below last year's figure, should result in higher production if favorable conditions to date are followed by anything like a normal growing season. Abundant rains in Colorado and Nebraska have produced the best germination stands in years. Up north emergence was slower and many Billings farmers irrigated for germination, a practice always followed at Lovell.

With our factories getting in shape for campaign, and the improvement program moving on schedule, the most important responsibilities at this season are shouldered by the field forces. They are doing their utmost to assist farmers to produce the highest yields possible. At the same time they are testing out every technique which can make further reductions in the field labor requirements of growing the crop, not only to see how much can be accomplished this year, but with view to setting a pattern for simpler and easier beet growing in the future. This work is of great importance to the industry as a whole.

This year alone the Company is placing 12,000 migratory workers on beet farms for the thinning operation. The manner in which this is being handled has won high commendation from press and public, with emphasis on the excellent labor center at Fort Lupton where facilities have been developed for the comfort, recreation and health of these workers. At the same time, it should be borne in mind that the cost is very high and that a major challenge to the resourcefulness of the industry lies in reducing the number of workers required, so that fewer workers can handle more acres and earn more total money for the season.

Our field forces are meeting this challenge with ingenuity and confidence. It is a program which involves good farm management and timely use of the right tools and machines. The objective is get the crop properly planted and get it up, then work down excess beet and weed population mechanically to a point where the final stand can be secured with minimum human labor. Many farmers are well on their way to this goal. The picture on the cover of this issue was taken in such a field—one man working rapidly trimming up a stand that had previously had timely reduction of plant population.

What the field forces are doing is in line with what our factory organizations accomplished last campaign—increasing the over-all efficiency of the Company's work in a period of unprecedented costs and highly competitive sugar markets. Already it is evident that many farmers will grow their beet crops this year with simpler, easier and quicker field work than in the past, and for this accomplishment our resourceful field forces deserve the sincere thanks of all of us.
How The G-W Pension Program Is Working

FELLOW EMPLOYEES:

THERE is printed in full on the opposite page the annual report for the year ended February 28, 1949, of the BANKERS TRUST COMPANY of New York, trustee of the pension fund established by The Great Western Sugar Company.

The Great Western Sugar Company employees will be glad to see the report again this year. It is a short form and it is full of facts of interest to Company people. Some of the facts shown by the report as compared with last year's report follow:

1. The fund amounted to $2,948,663.33, as compared with the amount of $2,623,206.33 on March 1, 1948.

2. The Company paid $311,000.00 into the fund during the year since the last report. This is an increase of $35,718.00 over the amount paid into the fund in the fiscal year ending March 1, 1948.

3. The fund, as last year, is largely invested in United States Government Securities, Railroad Bonds, Public Utility Bonds and Industrial Bonds. The total so invested is $2,780,349.75 this year as compared to $2,579,859.14 last year, an increase of $200,490.61.

4. The fund earned $70,903.68 during the year. This is an increase in earnings of $16,679.08 over last year, due largely to interest earned on contributions to the fund by the Company in the last year.

5. Pensions paid during the year to employees retired under the Pension Trust Plan totaled $56,446.68, an increase of $13,642.92 over the last year. The total annual payment is increasing as more employees reach retirement age.

6. In addition to the $311,000.00 paid by the Company to the fund during the year, the Company paid approximately $60,000.00 in retirement allowances to employees retired before and outside of the trust fund plan, making a total of over $371,000.00 paid by the Company during the year for pension and retirement purposes.

The Company Pension Trust Plan became effective on March 1, 1942, only seven years ago. The large amount in the fund today, the fact that it is invested in selected American securities and that it is in the possession of and administered by one of the largest banks in the United States, all attest to the many safeguards that have been provided for the security of the pension of our people. Except for earnings on investments, the entire amount of the fund has been paid in by the Company with no assessment or contributions from the employees. I am very glad to have the opportunity to again place all these facts before you.

Very sincerely,

E. R. NIEHAUS

Assistant Vice President
TRUSTEE'S ANNUAL REPORT OF PENSION TRUST FUND
Established By
THE GREAT WESTERN SUGAR COMPANY
For The Year Ended February 28, 1949

Balance in Fund—March 1, 1948.......................... $2,623,206.33
Additions to Fund from March 1, 1948 to February 28, 1949—
Payments into Fund by Company .................. $311,000.00
Earnings on Assets in Fund, including Profit or
Loss on Sale or Redemption of Investments ...... $ 70,903.68
Total Additions ........................................ $381,903.68
Disbursements for Pensions during Year .......... $ 56,446.68
Net Increase in Fund ................................ 325,457.00
Balance in Fund—February 28, 1949 ......... $2,948,663.33

Comprised of—
U. S. Government Obligations ......................... $ 891,421.20
Railroad Bonds ......................................... 235,893.50
Public Utility Bonds .................................. 1,201,141.05
Industrial Bonds ....................................... 451,891.00
Cash and Accrued Interest not Due .............. 168,316.58
Total .................................................. $2,948,663.33

Note: Securities are shown on amortized basis.

BANKERS TRUST COMPANY, Trustee
By /s/ F. A. COCHRANE
Vice President

New York, N. Y., Apr. 4, 1949

Recent Accessions In Technical Library

A new department, which we are happy to introduce to the readers of The Sugar Press, will include in each quarterly issue a compilation of recent accessions in the Technical Library of the General office.

The lists are prepared by Louise McCreery, our excellent librarian, who emphasizes that the company library is accessible to all G-W employees. Miss McCreery will be glad to make publications available, on request, to all interested persons. Over the past quarter the following publications have been received:

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U. S. GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS:

More Efficient Handling of Sugar

By S. E. Childers, Assistant Superintendent, Billings

At Billings we are cutting down on the labor and expense of loading and handling our sugar by the use of our two Towmotors.

During the present intercampaign we will produce from our sugar in the bulk bins approximately 60,000 6/10's, 45,000 12/5's, besides several thousand 10/10's, 20/5's, 4/25's and 25 lb. singles.

While our limited supply of pallets is available all production is loaded on pallets and moved to storage with the Towmotor. When all of our pallets are filled we stack all packages to a height of about 25 bags with Towmotor and then if necessary complete the stack with the ordinary stacker.

We try to hold our stacking to a minimum as this requires one more man for stacking and three more when the stack is taken down for loading. Another big saving is in the elimination of practically all breakage when everything is loaded on pallets. If we had enough pallets all of the stacking could be eliminated.

In the loading of cars and trucks the largest saving of man hours is shown. If all of the different packages are on pallets, only two men in the car and a Towmotor operator are required for loading a car. They can do it in about the same time or less than it would take a crew of six or seven men if the packages have to be taken out of the stack and trucked in the usual manner. In fact, one Towmotor operator can supply two cars at the same time making it possible to load two cars of 800 bags in about two hours with the expenditure of approximately 10 or 12 man hours instead of the usual 25 or 30.

When loading is not too fast and two or three men are available, sugar that was stacked last campaign is put on pallets to be available for loading into cars or trucks.

With our large package production anticipated for this summer we expect to show a nice saving in loading expense and in the amount of breakage that we would have if all the sugar had to be handled in the usual manner.
A Hasty Glance At Agriculture In Europe

By P. B. Smith

A paper by the Manager of The Beet Sugar Development Foundation, presented before The Beet Sugar Technical Society, Greeley, May 10, 1949

It might be well to outline four factors that impress an observer who visits Northern Europe.

First: Europe's problems are really only those of our neighbor across the street. You can leave Denver by air on regular commercial flights and arrive in the British Isles in less than 20 hours.

Second: Conditions in Europe as of last fall were much worse than any of you read about in your newspapers. Severe rationing was still in effect in most countries.

Third: The shortage of fuel for power farming is probably the biggest handicap to progress in mechanized farming.

Fourth: Europe is a large producer of sugar beets and esteems the crop very highly. Even though, on the average, European sugar beet production methods are far behind ours, we can learn a lot from them. Their research is well done and many of their ideas can well be studied with care.

Belgium is in the best shape, economically, of any of the European countries. There are several reasons for this but the principal one is that the United States bought tin, lead and uranium ore from the Belgian Congo during the war; the settlement for these minerals gave the Belgians quite a handsome boost to their national treasury.

Netherlands was the hardest hit of the Allied countries, by the war, but the Dutch are determined and will undoubtedly come back.

Sweden is definitely worse off than immediately after the war. The attitude of the people is not one of hope either. The country has very little to export except wood and wood products. To find the Swedes in such bad shape is a big disappointment to a visitor.

France gives a tourist the impression of being very decadent. The people, because of war, poor diet, communism and disease, are definitely on the bad side. One-fourth of the population is communist which is twice the proportion that existed in Czechoslovakia when Stalin took over. You can't help but feel nervous when we are sending them so much military aid and you wonder if the equipment may eventually go to the other side.

England is determined and is fighting hard to regain her former position. The British are definitely on the uphill grade but still have a long way to go. You must take your hat off to them in their determination to surmount their privations. The English Government has made many socialistic reforms since the war and has come a long way down the left side of the road in the last ten years. Only 250 Englishmen had incomes of over $10,000.00 last year; this indicates how far the political economy has gone down the road that many of America's reforms are also taking.

If I were to pick out one thing that is a deterrent to improvement of European agriculture, it would be lack of motor fuel or gasoline for power farming methods. Because of the lack of oil fields, practically all fuel has to be imported. To give you an idea of the seriousness of this: The average Frenchman's car is entitled to 10 liters of gas per month (about three gallons). The average Swedish car gets 13 gallons of gas per month, that is imported from the United States. This costs 95 cents an American gallon. Motor fuel is rationed in all countries and, in England, farm fuel is red in color to prevent its being used in private cars. Like our ration experiences during the war, this system doesn't work 100% however.

One is struck with the manner of handling beet tops and by-products in all countries with the possible exception of England and France. In the latter countries, quite a large acreage is plowed under for green manural values rather than fed to livestock. In Sweden, Netherlands, Belgium, Denmark, Germany and part of Ireland, at
least half of the beet tops are ensiled fresh and green. About 30% are fed to dairy stock directly during harvest and the balance pastured.

Very little of anything of an agricultural nature is wasted and that is a good endorsement of an agriculture like Belgium’s which has maintained its soil fertility over at least 500 years of cultivation. Two and one-third million acres of beets were harvested last year in the nine countries of Northern Europe. The largest producer was France with 800,000 acres and operating 108 factories. All of Western Europe’s sugar production from beets was about equal to that of Cuba last year.

Sweden and Netherlands vie with each other in production per acre with the Dutch being high with 17.9 tons for the five-year period just prior to the war. Last year they had 116,000 acres and this year are planting 155,000. The largest beet sugar factory in the world is at Dinteloord with a capacity of 6000 metric tons. Eire has the distinction of having the poorest beet yields; averaging 6½ tons over a 10-year period.

The only country that is using segmented seed to any extent is Sweden. Fifteen thousand (15,000) acres were planted in 1948 with fair success. The processing equipment was similar to ours except in Germany where we ran across a device which consisted of two stones operating on an angle with the upper stone turning faster. In size, this seed averaged 1.5 millimeters and 35 seeds out of each 100 germinated with about 30% doubles.

Europeans are very anxious to obtain a mechanical harvest but are still in the early stages. England is the most mechanized with about 3.4% of the beets machine harvested in 1948. Phil Dale and the writer checked on some 42 different models of harvesters last fall, so there is a lot of interest as well as some promising machines.

It is interesting to examine the method used in Sweden and Netherlands to predict the beet yields. Starting in July, about five to seven samples are taken from that many farms that have an average history identical with the factory yield. The following information is secured from a predetermined spot in the field:

- Beet weight;
- Stand count;
- Top weight;
- Dry matter content;
- Sugar content;
- Ash content;
- Harmful nitrogen;
- Conductivity (Potassium largely);
- Summer rainfall during period of sampling.

The scheme has gotten enough years behind it now so that, with the information secured from the first sampling, a fairly accurate prediction can be made of the final outcome. It is of interest to note that the Swedes were able to predict quite accurately last year their yield of 17 tons of roots and 23 tons of tops.

The prices of sugar and sugar beets is considerably higher than in the United States. (These figures were given us during the harvest and may not be the same as the final statistical).

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This brief paper has only sketchily presented some of the interesting conditions in Europe today and should be considered as my observations. Certainly we on this side of a much shrunk Atlantic Ocean should not feel too smug about our advancements; we have a great deal which we can learn profitably from our foreign friends in the “Sweet” industry.

**Technical Society To Hold Dinner-Dance**

The Beet Sugar Technical Society will conclude a successful season with Ladies’ Night at the Cherry Hills Club Friday, June 3, the committee in charge including Frank Kemp, Jr., chairman, and John Aitken, A. G. Frost, J. G. English and M. B. Holt. Over the past quarter meetings were held in Denver, Greeley and Scottsbluff. Speakers included B. A. Oxnard, Frank A. Kemp, H. H. Zitkowski, A. A. Clark, D. J. Roach, H. L. Hartburg, E. Gonyou, N. J. Muscavitch, H. W. Dahlberg and Harvey Johnson appearing on behalf of P. B. Smith. The executive committee consists of Carl Roberts, chairman, Bert Ward, Harold Burk and Lyman Andrews.

The best security anyone can have is to do good work. Nothing can speak so well as a job well done.

The church to which most people belong is the seventh-day absentists.
Testing Canners' Sugar For Food-Spoilage Bacteria


Frequently we are asked about the testing of canners' sugar, by Great Western employees and by others not familiar with the work. They want to know just why this work is being done; and also are interested in some description of the work.

Since about the year 1926, The National Canners Association has known that sugar, both beet and cane, may contain certain organisms which cause certain types of food spoilage after the process of canning has been completed. So it is easy to see just why commercial canners insist on purchasing sugar for use in canning which has passed a rather rigid test, the standards of which test have been set up by the association.

Therefore, the reason back of the work is the fact that it simply helps to broaden the field of sales for our product. And in order to meet this requirement, our company, in 1931, after some preliminary training in the work at the research laboratory, set up at the Greeley factory, at considerable expense, a bacteriological laboratory suitable for the purpose. This work was then placed under the supervision of Mr. J. W. Kendall, chief chemist.

Equipment such as incubators, pressure cookers and sterilizing ovens had to be purchased, along with a large amount of supplies including culture tubes, petri dishes, flasks and considerable quantities of materials used in the preparation of culture media, — agar products, liver and so on; and cotton which is used for plugging tubes and flasks for protection from contamination.

It is required at present that we test for three types of food spoilage bacteria. They are: 1. an acid-producing organism which causes what is commonly referred to as "flat sour" spoilage; 2. an organism which causes the "hard swell" or gas spoilage; and 3. the hydrogen sulphide spoilage. The first type causes the food to sour within the can; the second causes the bulging of the ends of the can due to gas pressure; and the third causes blackening of the food.

In the picture at the left, showing four tubes, appear one negative test, left, and three positive tests for the presence of Hydrogen Sulphide spoilage bacteria. In the right-hand group of tubes appear one negative test, left, and three positive tests for the presence of Gas-Forming bacteria.
Here's how a test is made. 1. Chief Chemists C. H. McCurry, left, and Paul M. Smith filling culture tubes with the medium and plugging them with cotton. 2. Autoclaves (pressure cookers) and plugged tubes containing the medium ready for sterilization. 3. The two chemists, with Claude Mains, right, are seeding the media with sugar solution prior to incubation. Petri dishes, containing the Flat-Sour agar plates, are stacked in the foreground. 4. Removing culture tubes from incubator after incubation period has elapsed. 5. Examining plates for Flat-Sour colonies. 6. The plate at the left shows absence, and the one at the right, presence of Flat-Sour bacteria.

The organisms which cause these types of food spoilage are what bacteriologists call the thermophilic type of bacteria. This means that they are able to thrive at much higher temperatures than most bacteria; and the mere boiling of a sugar solution at atmospheric pressure does not destroy them.

In the standard test a 20% sugar solution is brought to a boil and is then boiled for five minutes, before it is added to the medium previously prepared for the test. Then the culture tubes and plates are incubated at the proper temperature, about 55°C, for a sufficient time to produce any positive reactions that may be expected to show up. At the end of the incubation period of from 44 to 48 hours the plates and culture tubes are examined.

The “flat-sour” spoilage is recognized by the presence of spores which have
grown in the medium, and the turning yellow of the purple dye surrounding these spores caused by the acid-forming bacteria; the "hard swell," or gas spoilage, is recognized by the formation of gas within the culture tubes; and the hydrogen sulphide spoilage is evidenced by the formation of black spots within the medium in the tubes. These bacteria are not disease-producing, and are not harmful except in that they cause the types of food spoilage as mentioned above.

Factories which are instructed to produce a certain amount of canners' sugar save continuous samples which represent about what is generally known as a strike of sugar—around 400 bags. This sugar is sacked in 100-pound bags and marked with the strike number for later identification. Then these samples are forwarded to the bacteriological laboratory soon after campaign; and there they are tested in duplicate, and each factory whose sugar is being tested receives a weekly report as the work progresses.

The routine requires the services of several men, one of whom spends prac-tically all his time washing and sterilizing dishes, culture tubes and other equipment used in the testing.

The following quantities of glassware are required for one week's testing, all of which have to be cleaned with cleaning solution, rinsed with distilled water and sterilized before use: 310 Petri dishes (620 pieces); 800 culture tubes; 60 test tubes 6 inches by one inch; 125 Erlenmeyer flasks, 250 ml.; 63 Mohr pipettes, 10 ml. Various other pieces of equipment are used in addition to the above.

The first two days of each week are devoted primarily to pouring or "seeding" the media, which has previously been prepared, with the sugar under examination. Then these samples are forwarded to the bacteriological laboratory soon after campaign; and there they are tested in duplicate, and each factory whose sugar is being tested receives a weekly report as the work progresses.

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The first two days of each week are devoted primarily to pouring or "seeding" the media, which has previously been prepared, with the sugar under examination. The remainder of the week is used up in examining the culture tubes and plates for the presence of bacteria, washing and sterilizing tubes and dishes, and in the preparation of media to be used the following week.

We should all feel proud of the fact that our product, as shown by these tests, comes well within the standards as set by The National Canners' Association.

Falls Can Be Prevented!

By Frank A. Kemp, Jr.

Falls are frequently the cause of serious, often fatal, injuries both in and out of industry. Each year in the United States approximately 26,000 persons lose their lives as a result of falls. Falls are the second highest in the list of compensated injuries. They comprise 23% of the total compensation paid and 18% of all accidents occurring in industry.

How often we see some fellow roaring down a stairway as if the world could not wait another second for his arrival on the lower floor. Then a loud crash and our friend is carted down the rest of the way in a stretcher having slipped and fallen. The types of dangers that cause falls are of such a common variety that they are frequently overlooked or not given the attention they should receive. Perhaps it would be worthwhile to check over the most common falls, how they occur, and how they can be prevented.

Falls on Level Surfaces—About one-half of the fall injuries in industry occur on level surfaces. During campaign the floor surfaces of a beet sugar factory are often wet and slippery, because of syrup, oil, grease, wet pulp, and water. Also, outside the ground is often covered with ice and snow. Drip pans, splash guards, and other devices can be used to prevent oil, syrup, and other materials from spreading over a large area. Good housekeeping and rigid maintenance of leaky pipes and valves are essential for clean, dry floors. Non-slip tread material can be used around dangerous places, also these hazardous areas around machines can be painted in various colors to indicate a warning for people walking over them. Good illumination without glare also prevents falls. Abrasive tile can be used...
in shower stalls and locker rooms. When men are working out of doors during icy weather or sleet storms, if confined to a small working area, they should have an adequate supply of sand or fine clinders to be used to improve footing.

RAMPs—Most all ramps introduce some form of hazard, particularly if they are very steep. A good, safe angle of incline is 1 foot rise in 10 feet of length. Cement surfaces should be rough finished or abrasive material can be used in the cement; cross cleats are also useful.

Scaffolds—When one takes a fall from a scaffold or ladder the injury may be severe because of the height from which he falls. Safety rails built 3 feet from the main portion of the scaffolding are essential. Scaffolding should be fastened to the building to prevent swaying. The rope on scaffolds should be carefully inspected to be sure there are no rotten portions. And it is very important to use good planks on scaffolds; knotty boards or ones with other defects should not be used.

Ladders—Well built, sturdy ladders are essential for safe work. Uneven rung spacing; bent, loose, or missing rungs; lack of hand holds at the top of the ladder; slippery rungs and rails; cross-grained, weak, or poorly constructed side rails or rungs are common faults in poor ladders. Prevention of moving or shifting of a portable ladder while in use is a must. Tie ropes at the top or bottom, shoes on the ladder feet, are some of the devices used to prevent moving. Holding of the bottom of the ladder by another man is advisable at heavy traffic areas (in passageways, or outside buildings near doors) and will prevent a fall from the ladder falling or being moved by persons going by.

Stairs—Many bad falls have occurred on stairways. Men should slow down while on stairs and make use of the hand rail which should always be in good repair and be very solid. Many of the factories have made good use of non-skid material in covering the steps. Good lighting also prevents accidents. Stairs cluttered with refuse or stored material are most dangerous.

In summary, a great number of falls can be prevented if men will be conscious of never trying to be in too big of a hurry in going down stairs or crossing slippery surfaces. Also equipment such as ladders, stairways, and scaffolds should be built and maintained with a constant thought of their safe use.
DENVER
EVERYBODY, Associate Editor

MAX HOLLOWELL and Irene Clutter were married March 5 in Denver. Irene formerly worked in the General office. Our best wishes and congratulations to both of them!

A newcomer to the General office is Gloria Everingham in the stock transfer office. Welcome to the ranks of the sugar tramps, Gloria.

Now that bowling season is over the Hatfield and McCoy type of feuding between the various departments should cool off to an occasional pot-shot until next fall, in the opinion of Frank Weick.

Delores Stanton of the Railway office was married at St. Catherine's Church, April 30, to Edward O'Connor. Their wedding trip of two weeks included a visit to Delores' former home at Royal Oak, Michigan, also Chicago and various points in Iowa. We extend our hearty good wishes.

John Fellin is attending night school at Barnes School of Commerce, and is about to complete the entire accounting course offered there. John says he's greatly looking forward to the time when he will be a "free man" again, without that stack of text books to haunt him each evening.

The Research laboratory is again in a position to supply the world's needs for raffinose. Cap Bennett and John Bradbury recently prepared almost half a ton of the refined product. At least honorable mention is due to Heinie Zisch, manager of the Johnstown factory, and the members of his crew who supplied by far the highest quality crude raffinose encountered to date in raffinose refining operations.

Summer and its accompanying bugs will soon be here. Therefore, Bill Conrad and A. Davis are checking the pyrethrum content of the dusts to be used throughout the company during the coming season.

The first report on the new fishing season was not encouraging. Al Nees tried his luck early in April. A satisfactory catch was not obtained.

Henry W. Dahlberg, research manager, attended the meeting of the U. S. National Committee of the International Commission for Uniform Methods of Sugar Analysis, in New York, May 16 and 17. At this meeting, some fifty men from the cane and refining industry, beet sugar industry, government laboratories, corn products industry and the Bureau of Standards will make their reports on the methods and equipment to be recommended to the Tenth Session of the International Commission to be held in Brussels in August, 1949. The last meeting of the Commission was held in London in 1936 and there have been many developments in improved methods since that time. Mr. Dahlberg is chairman of a committee of three which during the past six months has reviewed the reports of referee committees who have worked on twenty subjects during the past year. His committee will make the final recommendations to the national group.

Dan Chandler resigned from the Company at the end of April to return to Texas where he is reentering the sugar brokerage business. He will represent G-W in the Dallas territory just the same as formerly and we wish him the best of luck and good fortune.

Ben Oxnard and Dan Chandler went to Chicago in March to attend the National Food Brokers Association convention.

J. H. Burris started his vacation May 9, planning to visit relatives and friends in Oklahoma City.

Lois Wansted and Bob Norrish both have new cars. Lois is driving a new Ford, and Bob a Lafayette.

We were glad to see Harold Bend, of Bend, Southall, Sleepack Company, St. Paul, and K. D. Pierson of Milwaukee, who were recent visitors to the Denver office.

Mildred Sword finds it a little more pleasant traveling to and from Brighton now than it was during the winter months.
We call attention to the comprehensive list of publications, available to all G-W people, which our able librarian, Louise McCreery, has prepared for this issue. It should become one of the most useful departments in The Sugar Press.

A couple of early vacationers are Mary Darby and Hugh Cook, who leave May 28 and 27 respectively. The Darbys will go to the Pacific Northwest to renew acquaintance with friends of war days in Farragut, Idaho, Seattle, etc.; also Yellowstone Park is in their itinerary. The Cooks are bound for Missouri to visit Hugh’s parents.

Chester Cox is sporting a new Chevrolet and is hard to get along with. Come down to earth, Chester.

Horace Palladino’s daughter-in-law, Lieutenant Colonel Frank G. Palladino, submitted to a serious operation May 9. Latest reports are that she is getting along well. We wish for her a speedy recovery.

Bonnie Rebhan—with a model airplane built by her father, Ed.—is in a position to help any aspiring movie star. Big stand-in with Don and Jim, California cuties. Witness Colorado Springs.

Thomas H. Ferril was one of the speakers in connection with the inauguration of General William H. Gill as president of Colorado College during the celebration of the 75th anniversary of the founding of the college May 6, attended by representatives from 220 American colleges and universities. Mr. Ferril was given an honorary degree, Doctor of Letters. He had previously received honorary degrees, Master of Letters from the University of Colorado and Doctor of Literature from Denver University.

During March, E. B. Staples relaxed for a spell at his favorite vacation spot, Carmel, California. He reports that the ocean was beautiful, the weather wonderful, and Jack Benny’s home impressive. Mr. Staples also reports that he asked a Carmel resident what he thought of living in California. The reply was, “It’s okay for old folks, they seem to like it.” Whereupon Mr. Staples put on his youngest look, turned, marched off to his Chevrolet and headed home.

Betty Hanks spent a week in Colorado Springs visiting her mother and entertaining friends from the Northwest. Betty reports that though she did nothing unusual, it was a restful and enjoyable week.

The latest in be-bop dress is being sported these days by Duane Miller, the most recent being a be-bop tie with a secret compartment containing a three-decker sandwich (three slices of rye bread, two po-boy hamburger patties, held together with 3d roofing nails).

Cliff Reseigh spends most of his spare time putting a fence around Reseigh-Ridge to keep the boys at home. Cliff’s next project this year is to run a foundation, on the place he cleared last year, when he planned to build his garage two years ago. He promises that he means business, however, and that he’ll furnish a photograph of said garage in the next press issue.

The dreams Dick Hudson has been having recently have caused us to wonder as to whether he goes directly home from work, or whether they are
due to overwork. Dick's last dream had him slicing sugar beets in a manual meat grinder, cooking the cossettes in a Presto cooker, and turning out a nice white sugar in a Maytag Washing machine centrifugal. Dick was then making cube sugar in two-pound cheese boxes. He believes that he was making these two-pound cubes for people who drink large cups of coffee.

You may recall that just five years ago, John Aitken was named outstanding businessmen alumnus of the University of Colorado. Now John has been bestowed with a new honor. He has been elected Secretary of the Rocky Mountain Alumni of Beta Theta Pi, and delegate to the fraternity convention being held in Glenwood Springs this summer.

Mary Jane Petrocco joined our company March 2. She is a native of Glenwood Springs, unmarried, and comes to us from Barnes Business School.

Those suspicious looking sacks that John Aitken has been bringing to the office contain "mum" plants which he has grown on Aitken-Acreage. As to recommending where in the yard to replant, John says "Just dig a hole, throw 'em in, cover 'em up, and stand back. In a year they'll be in all locations."

Ray Lupton has been tripping in and out of Northern Colorado since our last issue.

The girls of the Purchasing steno pool have held a "pick a course in the new cook book we all bought, prepare it, and bring it over to Jane Spence's" party. In attendance were Noel Kuffer, Madelyn Ormond, Mary Jane Petrocco, and Dorothy Walsh. The only report we have had on the party was that practically all courses turned out to be "en casserole." Come now, girls, all courses? Who ever heard of "martini en casserole?"

Jack Frost spent the last Sunday in April treating his family to the first sailing of the year on Sloan's Lake. He says that he still remembers how to make ready for the sea pretty well; but we've heard that although he "upped the mains'l," and "pointed the jib" okay, one of the boys battened the hatch while Jack was below, and he was listed as "lost at sea" for some three hours.

Jane Spence played first fiddle under the direction of a Brazilian Symphony conductor recently in Colorado Springs. Jane insists that the most handsome conductor had no effect on her playing; but a little bird told us that once during rehearsal of "The Overture to Mignon" the down beat had Jane giving out with "I'd like to get you on a Streamliner to Sugar Loaf Mountain."

Claude "fertilizer-brings-me-a-headache-every-year" Petitt has the best story of this issue, we believe. Claude worked out a master schedule with Don Darrington, driver of the Company Trailer-Truck, in regard to pick-up, delivery and transfer between factories of fertilizer, D-8 tractor, and crane and bucket. All worked out well for two days, but on the third came the phone call that floored Claude. It seems that Don took a wrong turn or made a wrong pick-up some place, because the surplus list now contains the following items: 12 cases of Smile-Up—a tangy beverage that makes you feel it knows you; 20 crates (12 pullets each) Rhode Island Reds, marked for the Eggs Egg-sactly as You Want Them Poultry Farm; and, 1 Weary Looking Horse—who keeps shaking his head and repeating "I know I wasn't going anywhere but this fellow Don insisted I was on his pick-up list." Now who's going to believe that story, Claude?

Jack Frost, along with Jack Maynard, is doing a fine job as a member of the Special Gifts Committee of the Municipal Stadium Building drive.

Fabrication and maintenance of bakers screens is becoming a specialty with the pattern shop. Had a mishap the other day, we hear. Seems Bill Kugler turned up missing. Dave Roemer
and George Dietz searched the shop from stem to stern in vain. Then, up-on-hearing strange noises from a crate marked "Bakers' Screens—Brighton" they opened same. Bill was inside, all right, in one of those little compartment. No ill effects, it seemed, but since then, George and Dave have noticed that Bill bounces all over the shop—thinks he's still one of those little rubber balls inside the screen.

Understand Carl Roberts is working on a new-type bowling ball. It is a slightly larger ball (about 27 inches in diameter) and has a built-in seat. Handy for picking up "sleepier pins." Carl's plan is to ride down the alley seated on the ball with a broom in his hand. Claims he'll sweep the alleys clean next year.

Lois Vander Ploeg's surprise Easter present from husband Don was a new 1949 dream of a Plymouth. Understand they're having trouble with the across-the-alley neighbors now. With the old car, Don could maneuver into the garage without molesting the neighbor's fence; he seems to be having trouble now with the new Plymouth. It seems to be wider—probably because it has fenders.

Evelyn Capillupo recently purchased a Mel "Velvet Fog" Torme recording of "You Broke Your Promise, Down By The Old Mill Stream, In The Good Old Summer Time, Cruising Down The River, On A Bicycle Built For Two, Blues." Next day Evelyn missed work—understand she was so overcome by the crooning of Torme that she tried to clasp the recording to her heart. Seems she picked up record cabinet and all and suffered nasty bruises.

Our nomination for the idea section comes from a recent conversation between John Aitken and Dick (Who-Stole-My-Beanie?) Hudson. Dick was having no luck in obtaining a shipping date on rat poisoning ordered for the Windsor factory. He went to John for help and was advised "better get a slingshot and head north for Windsor." Dick took him seriously, designed his weapon and began practice. Result: two trips to court, one relative to a bandage his neighbor now wears on his head; and one relative to a broken street light on Dick's corner. Dick has decided against this system and we understand is now working on rat poison himself. He could really get in trouble trying that stuff out, couldn't he?

Walt Schreiber was recently sporting a nicely sunburned forehead. Walt claims he got it from working in the yard and exposing his "high" forehead to ole Sol for too long a period, but rumor has it that someone put the bug in Walt's ear that sun can restore the growth of hair. Can it Walt?

The Engineering department is having plenty of babies. Latest addenda to the agenda are Linn Ross Argabrite, 7 lbs, even and Larry Bruce Watson, 7½ lbs. Now isn't that fine? Wayne Argabrite said that this is a "boy" year, so we'll test it out on some more babies yet to arrive.

Allan C. Ogilvy's daughter "Mac" is now on a trip to Scotland and England, for a 3-months' visit with relatives. Schedule: "Mac" took off from Stapleton field 3:00 A.M., Wednesday, May 4th, on a United DC-6, flying to New York, and from there American Airlines to Prestwick, Scotland, just 29 hours later (8:00 A.M., Thursday, May 5th, Denver time).

New car owner—Clair Iverson—claims his Studebaker a boon to automobile. What your car doesn't have, Ivy's does!

John Wilson and Jack Powell are playing chess now. Man, a game takes days and each noon, they take out the board which had been carefully stowed away the day before. It would be "chess" swell to play chess all day instead of "chess" work!

"Two-Gun-Delta Dawson" is reported to be learning the Peruvian bean eaters rhumba.

Marie Bredehorst, now Mrs. Pendleton, paid the engineers a visit the last of April. It was good to see Marie, but she couldn't be coaxed into staying. Her office days are over.

Tony Flasco has nearly completed his carpenter work (new room in the basement). We're still interested in the built-in bar for bottles, jugs or barrels, anything you want to bring. If it's a party you want, Tony'll supply the glasses.

Dan Conwell will be taking the Reserve Summer Cruise soon, California, no less. If Dan does get out to sea a little, he'll see if the sea still agrees.

Walt Mandl, our Austrian-born engineer, is coming along fine. Walt's first troubles were in the American-type scale drawing, as he had been dealing in metrics—the confusion at first, but soon mastered. Walt and his family seem to be enjoying themselves here, touring the town and visiting the parks. In Turkey, Walt says you have to obtain the proper papers before you can travel
anywhere—it was much easier just to stick around home.

B. B. Buffum has to worry now about the Valley Highway. A glance at a map and it looks as if that Highway will have to make a turn or two, or something.

John Barnes missed two days of work, out with flu, but inadvertently, it just might have been that new-fangled cooking, who knows. Ask Barnes.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Niehaus are now living at 8210 West 40th St., Wheatridge, Colo.

Your editor hasn't been out to see where Cecil and Grayce Doherty live, but it sounds lovely, and our general directions indicate that you should go out West 26th to a point about 3 miles west of Wadsworth. The address, if that will help, is Route No. 6, Box 673 B, Denver 14, Colo.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Kemp took a motor trip in the early spring to Tucson, then to Guaymas, Mexico and return.

Mr. and Mrs. Caldwell Martin motored to Texas.

Earl Hamilton gets to his mountain place quicker nowadays because of the new road that cuts out the kinks and curves of Turkey Creek canyon. Earl is flirting with the idea of living in the mountains the year around.

We always leave standing in type an item to the effect that Clem Lee has bought another horse. We haven't checked on that for this issue, but he does seem to have bought some Angus cattle for his ranch down near Brush—and he's proud of 'em.

Frank Kemp, Jr., recently visited the Matador Land and Cattle Company, Channing, Texas. This is the second largest cattle ranch in the United States and the only one still owned by English and Scottish people. Frank went down with the manager, John MacKenzie and his son, John, Jr., whom Frank had known at Yale.

Jack Maynard's mother, Mrs. Gertrude Maynard, is staying with Jack and Ethel for a while enroute from Berkeley, Calif., to Boston. Ethel Maynard and Alethe Lang recently drove to Billings.

Your editor recently took Dave Roach's advice on how to prepare the seedbed for some creeping Bent grass and, by golly, the darned stuff came up. Maybe Dave knows his onions.

Bert Ward planted a lot of new grass this year but his dog keeps tearing it up. Another year, kindly soul though he is, Bert is contemplating planting the dog first.

Personal notes for this issue were contributed by F. H. Weick, Marie McGinnis, R. J. Brown, Al Mier, W. T. Scilley, Walt Schrieber and J. R. McAnally.

G-W Bowlers Beat Hollywood And Crystal

By WALT SCHREIBER

WITHIN the hallowed walls of our G-W General office rests permanently the Inter-State Companies' A-Team bowling trophy—the first of many we hope our Keglers will earn for us.

For the third consecutive year, the A-Team (Anderson, Bob Brown, Schrieber, Chuck Phillips, Roush) camc from behind with a 2453 series to win over the Holly and American Crystal teams. This final series bowed in Denver on May 14, was highlighted by Bob Brown's 201 game and 541 series.

The previous series bowed in Colorado Springs on May 7 totalled 2599, and was sparked by Fred Anderson's 214 and 213 games and 605 series; and by Bob Brown's 193 game and 553 series. Total pins felled by A-Team, 5052.

The B-Team (Stillman, Quinn, Iverson, Witmer, Floyd Phillips) made a nice recovery in the second week of play, but when the smoke had cleared, Holly's B-Team walked off with the trophy by a scant 5-pin margin. The

On the opposite page are some of our G-W bowlers as seen in action April 27: 1. Mary (Just-Gotta-Have-Another-Cigarette) Darby, and Blanche (Give-Me-A-Drag-Off-That) Fish. 2. Fred Anderson poses for a Wheaties advertisement—the breakfast food of champions. Observers are Marshall Poth, Bob Norish, O. P. Dittman and Charley Hanscom. 3. Auditing the score are Barbara Grotberg, Dorothy Rutherford, Blanche Fish, Mary Meinke and Velma Woodham. 4. Frank Weick in the hidden-ball trick. 5. Ralph Roush, the smile of satisfaction. 6. Merle Weber's attempt—See 11, for result. 7. A family Affair—Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Reynolds and Mr. and Mrs. Merle Weber. 8. The Fisher approach, with Bob's foot work perfected by attending Arthur Murray classes. 9. Front, left to right—Played-out-Petitt, Scorekeeper Schrieber, Wailing Whitaker, How-are-we-doing-Hooker, Back, Ed Rebhan, Chuck and Wil Phillips, Lou Hudson and Violet Roush. 10. The Joy Boys. Note their happy expressions: the Scotties, Ogilvy and Healy, Smiles Scilley, Tom Kinney, Claire Iverson and ½ of Cap Bennett's head. 11. Wha' Hoppen! (See 6.) 12. Front to rear: Mrs. Fred Anderson, Mrs. HerbCorsberg, Mrs. Frank Weick and Mrs. Floyd Phillips.
first series bowled by the B-Team, 2292, showed Iverson leading the pack with a 191 game, and 487 series. In the second weeks’ play, Iverson again sparked the team with a 206 game and 512 series in the team series total of 2329. Total pins felled by B-Team, 4621.

The G-W annual sweepstakes held on April 27, included for the first time seven of the girls from the General office: Blanche Fish, Velma Woodhams, Dorothy Rutherford, Mary Meinke, Mary Darby, Barbara Grotberg and Bernes Kennedy. They made a fine showing, although none was financially blessed with any prize money. Sweepstakes winners included: high game—Anderson 225, Roemer 218, Dittman and Stark 216. High series—Anderson 580, Hanscom 560, Schreiber 557.


High individual series—Hanscom 661, Scilley 635, Blixt 631. Scratch performance highs for the season were made by Fred Anderson with a 602 series, and Floyd Phillips with a 257 game. We’re looking forward to a bigger and better season in 1949-50. Keep your bowling shoes in repair guys and gals, ‘cause we’ll be seeing you.

More than 60 members of the General Office force participated in the year’s bowling. The trip to Colorado Springs was particularly enjoyable—two bus loads making the journey, about 50 people in all.

EATON
RIO-NOT-GRANDE, Associate Editor

Too early for any tall tales from the lakes and streams, but just wait until next issue!

The garden of Eaton is blossoming in all glory as we go to press, the field forces are very much pleased with the soil conditions and with a little moisture in the future we have prospects of an excellent crop of beets in this territory for this season.

B. A. Matheny, boiler house foreman, is now back on the job after undergoing a major operation. Glad to have you back, Bun, and see you looking so well.

Supt. Steve Force can be found in the center of the factory hay field during the evenings observing the mysteries of the celestial sphere with his new telescope. Anyone interested may drop around and share his pleasure.

Our deepest sympathies are extended to Mrs. A. G. Scoffield whose mother recently passed away.

Mrs. C. E. Morehead is recovering from a recent operation.

Walt Brossman recently took a week’s vacation and painted his house.

Marion Ring, shop foreman, resigned in March and moved to Nebraska where he will be engaged in farming. As a parting gift, the crew presented him with a complete set of socket wrenches. So long and the best of luck, Marion.

Paul Smith has finished running down “bug” sugar and is now located in Eaton.

Several of the crew were laid low with the flu and clods during the late winter, however none was seriously ill and all recovered with no ill effects.

Alex Miller vacationed in California the first part of May.

Vic Beets is sporting a new Chev Coach, Harold Springer swapped his DeSoto for a later model Chev, and Ray Ferrell is sporting a ’48 Chev with complete trimmings.

Ike Enwall spent two weeks in California attending the regional union meeting as the local delegate.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Tinn left by plane for California on May 3, due to the serious illness of Mr. Tinn’s daughter. Nell Tyson is helping in the cashier’s office during the absence of Mrs. Tinn.

Our deepest sympathies are extended to Fred Rau, whose mother passed away April 29.
Maurine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Miller, was recently married to Jack T. Graefe, prominent Ault farmer. Congratulations folks and the best of luck.

Snoops & Strolls around the premises reveal:
Art Scoffield checking in sheet iron.
Vic Beets, C. E. Morehead, John Stevens, Harold Saxton, George Walker and Fred Rau reconditioning and loading sugar.
Walt Hamilton and Ike Enwall preparing bearing caps for the new bottle oilers.
Ellis Miller, Dee Stone, and Morris Schoonover repairing the flumes.
Harold Springer and Clarence Conaway rolling pipe for the new warehouse air conditioning system.
Charles Springer, Roy Biddle and Tuck Sloan installing the new trash catcher.
Tom Bateman, Sam Shelburn and Henry Boxberger laying the new water line from the Dorm well.
Joe Grant and Bun Matheny overhauling the boilers.
An occasional glimpse of the field force, Anderson, Schroeder, Garner, Tormey, and Butler running down a contract.
Shorty Williams reaping the first cutting from the lawn.
Harry Kern and Dutch Pryor fixing the innards of the loco crane.
York Saxton cleaning the sugar scales.
Ray Ferrell installing a new panel on the switchboard.
John Reis sweatin' out a payroll.
Neil Tyson bangin' away on the typewriter.
Supt. Steve Force and Master Mechanic Walt Brossman figgerin' on maintenance and PI jobs.
Several members of the crew have that "Ike Walton" look in their eyes. Won't be long now, fellows!
Yours for Better fishin'!

GREELEY

HORACE GREELEY, Associate Editor

R orbert Bresnahan is back on the job after a minor operation and is feeling much better. Bob and his crew have started relining the kiln and hope to have this job completed before hot weather. The Bresnahan's have traded their '47 Hudson in on a new 1949 Hudson club sedan.

Bill Lawrence makes a trip to his farm quite often on weekends. He reports that some of the winter wheat on his farm was winter killed and he had the ground planted in barley. The outlook for crops close to his farm is very good.

Charles Lutes, Sr. is in the Veterans Hospital at Cheyenne. Last report was that he was getting along favorably. He was a sugar boiler here for many years and his son is working here now as an extra station man.

Our sympathy goes to Les Hibler, sugar end foreman, who lost his father March 7. His father, who had worked at the Greeley factory during many campaigns, was living in Missouri at the time of his death.

Dan Moore and Ted Burrous have been working on the high line and rebuilding cones in beet sheds, Ted has also traded his '35 Chev. for a later model car.

Art Dimmitt has bought a five-room house on west eighth street. We hope it includes at least a corner for "games."

We are glad to report that C. T. Carney, superintendent, has returned to work since the last issue of the Sugar Press after spending some time at home the first part of this year recovering from illness. He has planted a tree in his lawn so he can sit in the shade while watering his lawn. He tells us the beet crop looks very good on his farms.

On his noon-hour Wade Lloyd has been making his usual predictions on who is going to play in the world series and as usual he does not agree with the dopesters.

Bill Feland has received a special invitation to join the Elks' singing group so we are prepared for any funny noises we may hear in the factory. Bill will have to practice somewhere.

George Helser, after waiting for some time, is now driving a new 1949 Desoto club sedan, with all of the trimmings. He has been turning out many repair jobs in the shop.

Pete Brumley has returned to work after recent surgery. Lately he has had a new bathroom installed in his house. Pete has the fishing fever and the season had better open soon so he can start telling stories regarding his catch for a weekend. From his stories he is about the only one around here who ever catches his limit with all large ones.

Don White spent a weekend or two doing some work on his Chevrolet. He has moved closer to the factory. Now,
in case of another blizzard, he can walk to work if the roads are blocked. The testing of canners’ sugar has been completed and Claude Mains is now assisting the crew on various jobs. It will probably take him a while to get used to the grind which is much heavier than washing laboratory equipment. In his spare time at home, he has installed another sprinkling system for his lawn.

A. R. Barr, who has been handling the issuing of seed, phosphate, etc. to farmers, is having a couple of rooms added to his home. If he gets much busier here at the factory he will have to get a scooter to make time.

Allen Gordon has traded his 1937 Lafayette for a 1948 Chevrolet which he says has everything in the line of extras. It took him a little time to get used to it but we understand he can now find the gear shift lever on his first attempt.

Calvin Smith admits, after being up for three nights in a row attending the Legion Whing Ding at Eaton, that he can’t take it like he used to. Fortunately he did not have to work on Saturday and Sunday so he could get some much needed sleep on those days. He said what rest he got was good but there was not enough of it as his two boys made so much noise.

Fred Brothers spent several days in a Denver hospital undergoing an operation. He has returned to work and is feeling a great deal better. He has been supervising the work on various jobs, including repairing of knife filing equipment.

Clayton Rickert and his wife have been spending most of their weekends at their cabin in Glen Haven. Rick says he doesn’t take tick shots but does take along an antidote for snake bites which also makes him immune to tick infections.

Vernon Harsh has traded his ‘41 Dodge car and the old pickup truck for a 1948 Chevrolet pickup. If anyone wants some light hauling done, he might try contacting Vernon.

Greeley has sixteen members in the Old Timers’ Club, nine of whom belong to the Old, Old Timers’ Club (thirty years or more). Many of those with twenty-five years or more service put in considerable time before their “continuous employment” began. Those belonging to the Old Timers’ Club at Greeley are:

* A. R. Barr  W. A. Lloyd  *C. T. Carney  G. L. Nihiser  *Allen Gordon  *C. M. Rickert  *J. W. Kendall  *Howard Rienks  Amy Lackey  Theodore Stevens

*Thirty years or more.

Herb and Amy Lackey had a very nice vacation visiting Mexico, Texas and other southern states. During their trip they visited canning factories and observed the processing of citrus fruits and the methods used in loading and unloading the fruit and finished products. The bullfights were interesting to Herby but Amy did not speak so highly of them. They took many interesting pictures which they have shown to groups here since their return.

The wife and daughters of Joe Mooney, master mechanic, have returned from a lengthy vacation in California where they were visiting the Mooneys’ son who works for a railroad.

It is reported that Layton “Tub” Brumley is going to have to find another place for himself and his family to live in. One day “Tub” is going to build a home, the next day he has found one that can be bought for a song. Guess he can’t sing as he has not bought yet.

The Greeley factory has three fire teams with seven men on each team including a fire marshal. The first fire drill was held on April 20 from No. 1 hose house. Water was through the hose in record time and all equipment at this station was found to be in good condition. The next fire drill will be in May from another station.

Bill Long has been spending a great deal of his time getting the factory lawn in shape. He would like for someone to tell him how to start his d—-power motor and still have his arm left for some other use. In the winter it is his Ford that gives him trouble and in the summer it is the mower which keeps things from getting dull. Bill has been taking in most of the dances that are given in Greeley.

Don Morris spent a recent weekend with his folks and his youngest brother who was home on a furlough from the Navy. Don found the roads mighty muddy in Nebraska and thought for a while he might be delayed in returning to Greeley.

Grover Nihiser is planning on spending his vacation in California with relatives right after the first of July. We can feel sure he will have several
new stories to tell the gang on his return.

Fred Lindberg has been working on pumps and boilers. His Saturday mornings are spent in doing things around the house that the wife has outlined for him but he does get through sometimes in time to attend the college baseball games.

Jim Donahue left April 15 to attend International Union Meetings that are being held in California. He was also planning to visit a couple of his brothers who live near Sacramento. D. H. Miller assisted in the Red Cross Drive in his part of town. He reports the donations were fair.

Henry Hoff is planning on spending his vacation with his son attending the motorcycle races.

Marius Conradson is repairing and redecorating some of his basement apartments; so if any of you boys are looking for an apartment keep after Marius.

We understand that Wellington Ferrell has purchased property on First Avenue joining his present property and he is planning to build on his newly acquired site.

Ted Sadek is expecting a lot of company this summer. He had a lot last summer, too. Lucky for Ted that the price of groceries is coming down as all visitors seem to have hearty appetites.

Since the company has offered a prize to the fieldman showing the greatest increase in contracted beet acres, John Edmiston, Howard Rienks, Fred Law and Ted Stevens are already making plans for the dinner as they feel sure of winning. Good luck, boys. The personnel of the Greeley factory is behind you 100 per cent.

The outlook for a large beet acreage in the Greeley territory is very good.

WINDSOR

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

THE agricultural department reports very favorably on the present condition of the beet crop—and general optimism seems to prevail for the future results.

It appears that vacation time is just about with us again, as a few employees are away on vacation at present. Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Crosby made a combined business and pleasure trip to San Francisco late in April. Clarence was the local union delegate to the convention of the sugar employees' union being held there at the time. The Crosbys had just recently celebrated their 34th wedding anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Hyde vacationed in Kentucky, where they enjoyed a visit with their daughter, also St. Louis and Chicago were included in their itinerary. They made the trip by auto along with relatives from Beverly Hills, California.

Martin Reed, welder, took a real rest and did some vacationing at home. We have a hunch he did some help with the spring house cleaning, judging from personal experiences.

Definition of a vacation: It consists of 2 weeks which are 2 short, after which you are 2 tired 2 return 2 work and 2 broke not 2.

Fieldman Roy Marsh is driving a new Packard, and sugar boiler Carl Hurich is the proud owner of a brand new Plymouth; and some of us are hopeful that the prices will continue to drop before our orders are filled.

Mrs. Ed McKim underwent a major operation on April 27 at the Greeley hospital. Reports are that she is getting along very well, and we hope for her a speedy recovery.

Mrs. Paul Keller has been ill for some time at her home here; and her daughter, Mrs. Dorothy Bates, is staying with her for a while. Mrs. Bates' husband was recently transferred from Tucson, Arizona, to Sterling, Colorado, by the telephone company.

One day back in March a dense smoke cloud mingled with angry flames just east of here and drew the attention of everyone at the factory. Someone at the Eaton factory called on the 'phone asking if the Windsor factory was on fire. All the excitement was caused by the burning of a large residue of crude oil which had leaked from a broken pipe line. This waste oil had been purposely ignited by officials of the oil company. The flames, as well as the smoke, were clearly visible from Greeley—a distance of about 13 miles.

James M. Watson, son of our manager, has been the recipient of many honors lately at Yale University. He became a full member of the Yale under-graduate dramatic association, also a member of the Yale political union, of the Jonathan Edwards Residential College, of the Mory's Society and is active in the Colorado Club at Yale.

B. I. Becker, fieldman, became a grandfather for the sixth time on April 14, when Mary Lou was born to Mr.
and Mrs. Raymond Becker of Estes Park.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Goodner are grandparents for the second time as the second daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. William Goodner of Fort Collins. That's the reason "Pix" was going around with such a big grin on his face for several days.

Serious damage was possibly avoided early on the morning of April 28 by the quick and efficient action of the Windsor fire department in stopping the spread of a fire from an exploded oil stove at the home of "Cooney" Hoff, boiler house foreman. Considerable damage was caused by the smudge and smoke, however.

We recently ran across a very excellent quotation—perhaps it is an old Chinese proverb, which seems worth passing along. It ran as follows: "He who begins to be your friend because it pays, will cease to be your friend because it pays."

One half of the Windsor quota of associate editors was recalled from the Greeley laboratory about the middle of April to assist "Billie" Walters and Adolph Lohry in the planting of experimental beet seed on the company farm, and in keeping data on germination, thinning and so on.

Considerable material has been received and work is being organized for the installation of sewage treatment equipment at this factory for the next campaign. From the list of material and work to be done we judge that this is going to be quite a set-up for the experimental treatment of the factory sewage.

Mart Schmode can tell you a very interesting story if you will just ask him what he is doing with all the $25.00 worth of magazines he is supposed to have purchased about the first of May.

Did we hear rumors recently that there might be a company golf tournament somewhere this year?

You can't help but notice the newly painted third and fourth floor windows as you drive past the factory now. "Bill" Taylor, "Bill" Rutz and "Sandy" Stromberger have been busy for sometime now removing, repainting, painting and replacing these windows—and some of the frames that were in bad shape.

Art Savage, who retired as assistant superintendent here about a year ago, has sold his home in Windsor and moved to East Denver where he recently purchased a place.

Bonnie Daniels and Sally Dey appeared on the "What's Doing at School" program heard over the local air waves.

Oscar Wetzler declares the winter was longer than one of those dreams you hear about and that green grass and warm sun are welcome indeed.

Mrs. Dale Bushnell was elected President of her PTA group for the 1949-50 term.

You should see Alex Kling's Chevy since he had it overhauled and painted. Really looks spiffy!

According to the dope sheet, Chief Chemist J. A. Bair has successfully defended his Bridge rep against attack by several of the local gentry.


Assistant Master Mechanic Ernest Taylor has a new Ford and Fieldman I. L. (Red) Johnson a new Chevy.

Mrs. Zula Shellman, 58, wife of Pipefitter O. O. Shellman, died in April. Mrs. Shellman was born in Missouri. She married Mr. Shellman in Raton, N. M. in 1915. They lived in Rocky Ford before coming here in 1923. She is survived by her husband, one son, Dale, of Fort Collins, two daughters, Mrs. Cecil Munn of Utah and Mrs. Bernice Henderson of Denver, and four grandchildren.

Cashier and Mrs. Byron Albert combined business and pleasure on a weekend visit to Colorado Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Lass of the U. S. Forest Service visited his mother, Mrs.

Dorris Lass and brother William Lass of Bellvue, since our latest report. Mother Lass, who is in her 84th year, is a pioneer of this region.

The "Hidden Hut" is calling the C. E. Foss family. Plenty of fish in the creek but nary a stick in the wood box.

If your cow becomes marooned in the silo, don't despair, don't tear your hair. Buy yourself a barrel of axle grease and call Ralph Partridge Jr., Farm Editor of The Denver Post and son of our amiable Manager, R. L. Partridge.


Know anyone who has a setting hen for sale? Norman Metcalf is in the market.

Don Morris passed cigars. He and Miss Dale Willey heard that two could live as cheap as one. The ceremony was at the Willey home. Congratulations!

Cashier Byron Albert heads the local Mutual Benefit Association, aided by Assistant Master Mechanic Charles Cochran and Storekeeper Hugh Dey. Sugar End Foreman Otto Nieder is retained as Secretary. Since reopening of the mill here the Association has had a favorable degree of prosperity.

A comfortable surplus is on hand.

Joe Moore and Jess Stewart have the yard Dinky about ready to percolate.

Charlie Witte keeps the cinder pile down to a minimum.

Electrician A. J. Fiolkoski always whistles appropriate tunes. In April it's "April Showers," in May it's "May-time" and so on.

Mr. and Mrs. Riley Harris have their equipment all ready for a big summer up the canyon.

We were thinking of making a smart crack about Timekeeper Chuck Lautenbach's hair-cut, but, like the Indians, he has been persecuted long enough.

Mary Jane, daughter of Stenographer Vera Roselieve, was the proud recipient of her First Class Girl Scout Badge, for which she has worked long and hard.

Jack Henderson left to take up his duties on his new job in California.

Howard Brooks and Margaret Buoy decided to share the groceries in the future, so invested a couple of dollars at the County Clerk's Office. Cigars were on Howard. Felicitations!

Sam Moore has signed for a beet acreage. Come thinning time and Sam figures on a "workin'." Bring your wife, kids, lunch and beet hoe.

Mr. and Mrs. William Arnst visited Sam Lanham of Johnstown, who suf-
Putting the receiving stations in ship-shape—left to right: Norman E. Metcalf, Joe Kittel and Foreman Oscar Wetzler.

fered a severe eye injury. Sam was on the Fort Collins payroll for a time before going to the Johnstown mill. We wish for Sam a complete and speedy recovery.

We are glad to report that Fred Taylor has returned to his home after a stay in the hospital. Fred is able to be about and we hope the good work continues.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Daniels spent a weekend in Colorado Springs with their daughter and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Darnell got their spring fryers off to good start. We always liked Mr. and Mrs. Darnell. Also always liked fried chicken.

Assistant Supt. L. E. Michael and Old Smudge-Face Derald Whiting have the battery pretty well chained.

Bob Moore and Otto Nieder attended the sessions of the Frisco Sugar Workers' convention.

Master Mechanic and Mrs. W. W. Christinck made a trip to the Wyoming fisherman's paradise.

The auditing department here is seeing to it that the Fort Collins dentists don't starve.

Among those who have been hospitalized and returned to their homes since our latest report are Mrs. James Buckendorf and Mrs. Byron Rooker.

General discussion in the dog house during the noon hour and at other leisure moments these days consists mainly of informative utterances concerning the qualities, physical attributes and methods of capture of the Rainbow, Brook, Brown, Loch Leven, Dolly Varden, Cutthroat, etc. Professor Felix Michaud is the Dean of this section. Interesting comment is supplied further by Associates Archie Gifford, Jim Buckendorf, Charlie Foss, and Howard Brooks.

Mr. and Mrs. John Rasmussen plan a vacation trip to Mississippi to visit their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Al Connelly.

H. A. McHone helped dish out seed and phosphate.

R. Galyardt, Henry Betz and William Thompson make up the watching crew. Henry Meyer and Alex Wagner are happy as long as there is plenty of rock and coal to boom out.
E. C. Peterson mixes shop work, sugar loading and farming.
A little early for definite vacation plans, says Sugar Boiler-Beltrman I. H. Drennon.
Henry Michaud observes that “It’s O.K. to drop in to wet your whistle, but you should know when to blow.”

LOVELAND

V. V. HARTMAN, Associate Editor

We are now in the midst of our third intercampaign period of remodeling, which this year will complete the present contemplated program. About ninety men are on the payroll and most of the activity is concentrated on two major jobs, namely, the installation of two high-pressure evaporators and the conversion of three vacuum pans to the ribbon type. Thick juice presses were moved to a new location, also the entire heater station was rearranged. All the above adds up to a piping job of major proportions. The work is well along and the schedule indicates ample time will be had for testing previous to campaign.

Owing to the stress of work, vacations have been started earlier. Many of our employees have already taken their allotted time. Tim Creedon visited relatives in Salem, Oregon. Machinist Dan Morse spent some time in Omaha. Oscar Johnson relaxed for three weeks in various parts of Texas and came home with a nice sun-tan but fully rested.

California as usual was the mecca for several employees. Paul Hermetet motored to the southern part, Bill Taylor made the trip by train and Bob Gookins is now visiting his mother and daughters in Long Beach, San Diego and Berkeley.

Bob Kelin spent most of his two weeks at our airport, mastering the art of aeroplane manipulation. Guy Hunter devoted some of his time to his fertilizer sideline during the height of the rush. Ray Leathers, Matt Klaren, Con Arndt, Mac Hawkins, Duke Cowles and Don Mitchell attended to home duties with short trips on the side.

Leslie Parker, fieldman, is recuperating after an extended illness and we are pleased to see him again on the job. La Mar Henry of Longmont is assisting Leslie in the performance of his more active duties.

Mrs. Harry Burdorff underwent an operation in the St. Vrain hospital in Longmont and has returned to her home and is recovering nicely.

Come what may, nothing deters the weekly Saturday morning game in Longmont of our golf enthusiasts—Superintendent Gonyou, Master Mechanic Davies and Assistant Superintendent Price. This regular procedure...
has been in progress since the first of the year and as far as we can learn, honors and nickels are still about even.

Among our employees sporting nifty new Fords are Cashier Robb, Sugar End Foreman Wilkes, Beet End Foreman Odell and Warehouse Foreman Taylor.

Our representatives, E. G. Cowles, William Smoyer and their wives returned from San Francisco, having attended the convention of the International Sugar Workers. The trip was made via the New Rio Grande train with its vista coaches and other modern appointments.

The beet crop shows a ten percent increase in acreage over last year and was 94% planted as of May 1st. Thinning was started in some fields at an unusually early date. Considerable trouble is being experienced with foul fields and the appetite of the flea beetle larvae, necessitating some replanting. Surface moisture has been ample for germination but is deficient in the sub-soil.

Bill Taylor and his wife opened the Wyoming fishing season. Bill reports the two trout caught represent about twelve dollars apiece but expects future expeditions to be more remunerative.

Grand lake water is now flowing into Lake Loveland by way of a temporary pipe line at the rate of ninety-four feet. This flow will be increased after Grand Lake thaws from its winter hibernation. At any rate the flow has increased the ardor of local fishing enthusiasts.

Superintendent's Clerk Foster and Fieldman Parker have changed their abodes and are now comfortably settled in apartments at the G-W dormitory.

The sympathy of the local organization is extended to Mrs. J. J. Peek, wife of Jess Peek, on the death of her sister, Mrs. Ada Paine of Pasadena, California. Mrs. Peek with her sister Mrs. Frank Hartman flew to the west coast for the funeral.

Funeral services were held February 28 for T/5 Robert E. Pedigo, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Pedigo. Burial was at Mountain View Cemetery with Veterans of Foreign Wars in charge.

Robert gave up his life for his country at Sanspor, P. I. on December 7, 1944. He was born in Longmont November 17, 1921, and was graduated from Longmont High School in 1940. He joined the National Guard in 1941 and was soon called to Fort Sill, Okla. He was assigned to engineers in amphibious landing forces and went overseas in 1944. He was attached to that unit when he met his death.

After the first of the year Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Shields took off for an extended trip, visiting various points in New Mexico, Arizona and California. The weather was not all that could be desired but the change and the scenery was enjoyed very much by both.

Our sympathy was extended to Earl Piercey on the death of his wife Betty February 17. She came to Longmont in 1916 with her husband, Earl, who joined the Great Western Sugar Company organization. She was very active in clubs and lodge work, and had thereby made hosts of friends. Besides Earl there are two sons and three daughters left to mourn her passing.

Mrs. Luella Miller, wife of our former assistant storekeeper and distributor of beet seed to the growers, died March 22. Our sympathy is extended to "Pop" Miller as he was affectionately known to the employees. E. L. Miller, since his retirement, now lives in Richland Center, Wisconsin.

Frank A. Wilson, our former manager, recently suffered a slight heart attack and was brought to the local hospital by Raymond Heil, son of the tenant on his farm. After a week’s rest and care Mr. Wilson recovered sufficiently to go to Denver to stay with his son Glenn, where he will remain for two or three weeks.

After a minor operation, our former master mechanic, Eugene Vorbrug, is now able to take care of his place and take his dog "Tiny" for a walk downtown to pick up the groceries.

Mrs. Alban G. Marsh has moved to Denver and is living with her sister. She writes that she is getting along fine but misses Longmont and her
many friends. She would be glad to hear from Longmont friends. Her address is 600 South High, Denver, Colo.

Chief Chemist Harry Saxton says that it is rather quiet around his house while Mrs. Saxton is back in Charleston, West Virginia, visiting Harry, Jr. and family. A Webster Wire Recorder message from Harry Jr. reproducing the voices of all the family in Charleston gives Harry Sr. a thrill and company in the evening. He says Mrs. Saxton’s voice via the wire sounded very natural. She will be home early in May. The accompanying snapshot shows the family of Harry Saxton, Jr.

On the night of March 10 Art Runberg left the factory with his usual greeting of "I’ll see you in the morning boys" but when work was resumed in the morning his fellow employees were very saddened by the news that Art had passed away in his sleep that night. There had been no previous indications of any trouble and it was indeed a shock when the telephone reported that he had passed away. As a token of esteem in which he was held his fellow employees attended his funeral in a body. Art had worked for the Company about 27 years and by his faithfulness to all duties assigned to him he had become a favorite with all his fellow employees. The sympathy of the entire organization is extended to Mrs. Runberg and the children.

One evening recently the Charles Kupiliks entertained friends at a dinner up in Coal Creek Canyon—and what a dinner. Charlie stuffed his guests with hors d’oeuvres and appetizers topped off with those rare T-Bones one dreams about. Quite late Charlie and his guests headed back down the canyon for home, it was a good old world even though the snow was blinding and getting deep. Upon reaching the open spaces he headed for what he thought was the general direction of Boulder and Longmont. Several trial runs ended in the open rangeland, all signs were cleaned of wet snow by his passengers, the best information being advertisements for Crown Coal and Lydia Pinkham’s Pills. Charles was too busy watching the gas gauge by this time to help the guests. Finally some lights appeared and the party pulled into a small town some seven miles from Longmont. Completely lost by this time and not recognizing the town, Charles started looking for someone to help him out of a bad situation. At this hour the proverbial cop with side-arms was the only person braving the storm on the lonely street. Charles made the first mistake by asking the cop what Blanket town he was in, the second when he informed him he lived in Longmont a short distance away. By this time the Law had his nose within inches of Charlie’s proboscis and quietly said “Ah! Ha! so you are lost ay!” Thanks to Mrs. Kupilik’s pleasing personality, the party was allowed to continue on its way with minute directions to Longmont.

We have a new janitor these days,—his name is Walter Petersen and he has pitched into the additional spring work caused by the growth of the lawn and the flowers. He succeeds Hilmer J. Landis, who resigned to go into the contracting business.

Graveside services were held March 14 for John Paul Bender, 15-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. B. Matt Bender, who died in a Longmont hospital following a few days’ illness of pneumonia. We extend our sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Bender and family.

LONGMONT EXPERIMENT STATION

SYLVIA KESTER, Associate Editor

THE Longmont Experiment Station is somewhat like a boy with his first pair of long pants. Beginning with this issue of The Sugar Press, we are privileged to have our own section devoted to news items and miscellany about our personnel, visitors, and station activities. Hereetofore this has been included with the news from the Longmont Factory, but it seems now that maybe the kid has grown up and
it is time for him to get on his own a little bit.

In an organization the size of The Great Western Sugar Company, it is doubtful if everyone knows everybody else. Several of the members of the Experiment Station staff, of course, need no introduction, particularly Dr. H. E. Brewbaker, our director, and Herb Bush, statistician-agronomist. Dr. Russell T. Nelson, however, is somewhat of a newcomer to the ranks of the “Sugar Tramps.” He is our expert on weeds and weed control, plant physiology, and first consultant on that humble but vital element, fertilizer. Ralph Wood, recently imported from Billings (at the great loss of that community), has sole responsibility for the well-being of our experimental plantings in the Billings-Lovell area, and is assistant leader in the breeding and agronomic projects. One other person who keeps pretty close to the station headquarters and about whom little has been heard is Mrs. Faye Florea. Mary has charge of the germinating work on beet seed. In other words, she tells the good from the bad, and how much there is of each. In addition, she helps this writer on the clerical and secretarial work when needed.

In any organization there are always those who serve without fanfare, and at the station they are the field force. Bill Foeppel is our field superintendent, and working with him are Faye Florea (whose clever illustrations adorn our section), Bob Rundie, Alex Deising, “Monty” Montgomery, and Bill and George Suazo, all of whom are pretty indispensable.

All these members can give you the answers on the growth and culture of sugar beets, but in matters not pertaining to sugar beets, such as fishing and hunting, we refer you to those longtime experts, Dr. Brewbaker and Ralph Wood.

Now that the introductions are over, we turn to the main purpose of this section—NEWS. Early in March, Wesley Smith, of the British Sugar Factories, Ltd., returned to his home just this side of the North Pole (so far as we are concerned), in Tabor, Alberta, Canada. It was mentioned in a previous issue of the Sugar Press that he had spent several months at the Experiment Station, studying experimental methods used here. Wesley seemed to enjoy his visit, especially the Christmas party, and said he’d be back in another year. We hope that the information he obtained while here will prove beneficial to him.

The “First Annual Review” of the project work of the Experiment Station was held March 20-21 before the G-W Agricultural Committee and others. The review carried all phases of the research program. One period was used by Al Nees and Bob Brown of the Denver lab to explain some timely studies which they have been conducting. Mr. Dahlberg took part in the deliberations, and Mr. Roach discussed the role of research in the Agricultural Department. The discussions were supplemented with considerable duplicated material which occasioned the following pertinent comment from one observer, “It’s the first time we’ve ever gotten anything like this out of the Experiment Station.”

At this season of the year, the Experiment Station seems to be just a place to hang your hat for about a day at a time, and this writer has been cornering all members for bits of information about trips of planting, investigation, etc. Ralph Wood left for Montana and northern Wyoming in March to plant the various variety tests in that area. Certain other projects were begun in cooperation with Montana State College, and he and Dr. Brewbaker have initiated some cold
resistance studies in cooperation with Dr. G. H. Starr, at the University of Wyoming.

When it comes to planting beets, we would nominate Herb Bush as the Paul Bunyan in that field. When Herb makes his plantings he covers two or three states. On his last trip for the planting of variety tests, he visited Eaton, Ft. Morgan, Ft. Collins, Scottsbluff, Gering, North Platte, and Holdrege. Of the trip to Scottsbluff and North Platte there is quite a bit of conflicting information regarding the activities of the members who went along. At Scottsbluff, Herb tells us, Bill Poeppel and George Suazo, woke him up with a loud clumping and clattering when they came in at 3:30 A.M., and at North Platte, he accuses Bill of coming in for the night at 10:00 A.M. (Bill’s version is that Herb just slept on and on into the morning and he, Bill, was the “early bird” who “got the worm.”) In Holdrege they disregarded the advice of the natives and got stuck in a mud hole, in which they wallowed for half an hour, and at McCook they were delayed by an accident in which a new Packard and a Chevrolet collided and burned. It took them about an hour and a half to help drag the cars off the road and aid in caring for the injured. Herb reports that fortunately no one was hurt too seriously.

Early in April Dr. Brewbaker and Russ Nelson made a two-day business trip to Salt Lake City. Not realizing they were going to enter the city during the Mormon’s semi-annual church convention, they report that they were nearly left to sleep out under the trees due to lack of hotel space. That wouldn’t have been so bad except that because of the severe winter and deep snow the wild game came down from the hills into the city at night for sustenance, according to the natives. And this was no joking, as even the pine trees within the city limits showed signs of being trimmed well beyond the usual lines made by man-operated hedge clippers. Besides their scientific enlightenment received at the U.S.D.A. greenhouses and laboratories, including a firsthand observation of several plants with 100% single-germ flower clusters, Russ and Dr. Brewbaker have told of the historical background of the community which they picked up from friends and from a short motor tour about the area. There has been a new monument erected in memory of the discovery of that great valley. The words inscribed on this monument, “This Is The Place,” should have been “This Is The Right Place” as phrased by Brigham Young, according to our Salt Lake City friends. Another interesting side-light of the trip is said to have been an evening at Dr. Owen’s home, in which he reviewed his trip to Europe made last year.

It is with deep regret that we announce the death of Dr. Brewbaker’s father at the age of 95. Dr. Brewbaker tells us that his father was very keen and active, with an amazing memory for past events, and widely known in the community where he lived. His death occurred on April 20 at Bardolph, Illinois. We extend our sympathy to Dr. Brewbaker and his family.

During the winter quarter of Colorado A & M, Russ Nelson, Herb Bush, and Ralph Wood attended a class in Advanced Genetics given by Dr. LeRoy Powers of the U.S.D.A. at Cheyenne, Wyoming. Everyone seemed to enjoy going back to the classroom until final exams rolled around. Then Herb and Ralph went around with long faces, while Russ gloated because he hadn’t taken the class for credit and didn’t have to take the finals. Fortunately, Ralph and Herb both got excellent marks; in fact, their marks were the same, but they won’t tell us if they just knew all the answers or if they sat beside each other during the exam.

Somehow or other some rose bushes got mixed up with the beet plantings this year. Anyway, we have two rows of rose bushes beside the greenhouse and we understand that there will be some beauties in a few months, including the lovely Peace Rose. We have been told that visitors can look but not pick. Wonder if we staff members rate.

**BRIGHTON**

**IRENE SWORD, Associate Editor**

**SPRING!** It’s wonderful! It not only turns young men’s fancy to thoughts of love but it turns others from thoughts of loafing all summer to gardening. Yep, they’re at it again! The “Pent-house Gardeners” couldn’t resist the temptation of that golden corn, those luscious ripe tomatoes and bright red strawberries, so Bohm, Sigwing, Holmes, Enwall and Millen are hard at it to see if they can produce another bumper crop this year.

Spring also sets the feet of people to itching and they get the “wanderlust” in their blood. So, as befits the occasion, we give you the dates and
destinations of those who have so far furnished us with information on their vacations this year: Bill Miller sometime in June but we don't know where; Harry Wallace, we don't know when but he says these days he can't get any further than Loveland or Denver; Dean Overstake—time and place unknown; Lynn Brown—latter part of July and we'll guess a fishing trip; Harvey Linstrom—over July the 4th but destination unknown; George Ziegler—July and August and another intrepid fisherman; Les Enwall—starts May 4th for the prairies of South Dakota; Mat Metcalfe—going to dribble his along and go nowhere in particular; Art Bohm—either this summer or next winter to either Wisconsin or Louisiana (kinda indefinite cuss isn't he?); Kenneth Hitner—July and August and if our guess is any good he won't give his line time to dry out; Lou Cutler—July and seems to us he mentioned the West Coast; Fuzzy Burt—undreamed from to date; Chet Potts—will be long gone July 4th but dunno where; Algy Hight—who knows when or where? We don't; Harvey Sells—first half of August but destination unknown; "Bevrose" Bradley—August and September and plans to be in Pueblo (at the fair, that is, not the other place); Dana Wells—so busy with Jury duty and painting he hasn't had time to let us know; Claude Lewis—in San Francisco at the Union Meeting right now so can't find out; Bill Todd—July and August and the fish had better duck; Verne Garrett—the sphinx has nothing on him; Homer Osborne—latter half of June but is going to sit tight until his brother gets here from California; Claude Hollemon—last half of July destination unknown; Bill Adams—May and July to Main St.; Kansas City; Al Kercher—sometime after school is out and the blue Pacific (again); Bob Farlow—in May and he's going to take his dad to Missouri; Chuck Sword—August and we don't know where; Ollie Welborn—even he doesn't know; Charlie Todd—now on vacation to the southern part of Colorado; Bennie Schissler—we know when June and July but we don't know where; Fred Schissler—no dope on him as yet; Buzz Schuyler—middle of June but his plans are a blank to us; Leonard Bollig—early May and seems as though he said something about painting his house; Walt Clark—August and September and the deep South West Virginia; John Kreitzer—June and seems like he told us but can't remember; Jerry Childers—last half of May but dunno his plans either; George Myers—maybe he isn't going to bother—he didn't take all his time last year; Ed Enwall—now in San Francisco at the Union meetings so we don't know when but the mountains would be a good guess as to where; Charlie Phelps—due back from vacation May 4th and we guess he's busy fixing up old Ingersolls in that new jewelry store of his; Dave Holsten—he's done had his and guess he just puttered around home for all we know; Otto Zummach—first part of August and two bits he goes mining again in New Mexico; Ed Hoselton—now taking his rest and as far as we know that's all he's doing.

That's about everybody in the mill except the three watchmen, ie., Tom Prather, L. B. Tucker and Martin Pennelly. We almost never see them so haven't had a chance to find out. At the present time Tucker is in the hospital recuperating from an operation. Guy (Pop) Eaton has taken over his duties temporarily. Naturally, everyone wishes the best for Tuck and for his speedy recovery.

With fishing season about to open, we could hardly omit something on it, so we queried Mr. Anton M. (Tony) Schertel, that peerless fearless fisherman of some note. "Tony," we said, "have you some small comment on fishing that we could use to fill up a little space in the Sugar Press?" "Why, yes," said Tony, "This is the year." "This is the year for what?" we asked. "This," said Tony with a wicked gleam in his eye, "this is the year that that long-legged, gangling hound over at Longmont gets the socks beat off him. Provided, of course," he continued, "that the Marquis of Queensberry rules are abided by." "Marquis of Queensberry rules?" we asked. "No illegal holds, no clubs and no beating them to death on the bank. That has been done in the past, you know," answered Tony, closing the interview. We're not too sure just what he meant but we're pretty sure whom he was referring to.

Those aren't gophers digging up the front yard. It's George Ziegler and his motley crew consisting of Danny Lehl, Dick Depperschmidt, Johnny Mescher and one or two others off and on. They are hunting pipe lines to connect up the old sprinkler system again. We sowed all of that area last year with wheatgrass and then ran into a
drought. Not a blade lived as far as we can determine this year Mr. Burk isn’t taking any chances.

Who said too many cooks spoil the cooking? After practically everybody in the mill had worked on it at one time or another the powdered sugar installation took off with hardly a hitch. We are now making as good powdered sugar as anybody in the company. With that out of the way the boys are turning to enlarging the sacking room for the 1-pound carton packager and conveyor due sometime this fall or winter, to the under-floor conveyor in the sacking station and to the river screen and settling basin. Also, the lime-klin is getting a facelift which should help our lime situation quite a little this coming campaign.

If present plans work out, Supt. Burk will leave sometime in June for New York City and the Rotary Convention. At one time (last winter) he planned to go South and warm up but finally decided he might just as well freeze here as down South or in California.

We haven’t asked Tony as yet but we’ll lay dollars to donuts that the Frying Pan country will see a lot of Tony and his new Ford station wagon this summer. Speaking of that station wagon—how come, Tony, that it was still in the factory parking lot the morning after the last Technical Society meeting? and, How come Mr. Burk had to make a trip to Fort Lupton that same night? A new Ford, too. Tsk! Tsk!

Murray Silvernale recently underwent surgery on his right elbow to repair a nerve, severed by a cut from broken glass. From a strictly unreliable source we learn that it is absolutely true that the injury occurred when Mrs. Silverdale threw him out the window. At any rate, he is learning to write left-handed for the time being.

There’s a new daughter at the Clarence VonFeldt home. She arrived April 18 and her name is Nancy Lucille.

Henry Coursey, one of our binmen during campaign, is the tenant on the Company farm this year.

Mr. and Mrs. John Latta of Garden City, former members of our organization, announced the arrival of a fine baby girl, Barbara Ann, on March 14.

The only office that carries a lifetime appointment in the local union is that of “Cooks” and it seems that the following were elected to that office at the last meeting for the fine “eats” they cooked up: A. R. Hight, Bob Farlow, Art Bohm, G. C. Childers, Ed Hoselton. They served delicious baked ham, beer, pop and coffee. The entertainment was furnished by Charles Sword and Ed Enwall and consisted of the showing of a film, a Navy picture.

Manager and Mrs. English became the proud grandparents on April 20 of a little grandson, Jimmy C. Scott, born to Dr. and Mrs. William C. Scott of Denver. Mrs. Scott is the former Jean English.

Several new employees have been added to our payroll since the last issue of The Sugar Press. To date they are Daniel Lehl, R. M. Depperschmidt, Floyd Dinkel, John Meagher, Clarence VonFeldt, Louis Otto, John Pierce, George Squires, Fred Trostel, Ben Shearston and Russell Gaskins.

Jim Twombly, our storekeeper, has just finished putting a coat of paint on his house.

Our thanks to Les Enwall and Paul Holmes for helping to write these notes.

JOHNSTOWN

JERRY DONAHUE, Associate Editor

We stopped running molasses at 4 P.M., March 22 and the last white pan was down on March 23, thus ending a short campaign of 139 saccharate days.

With the end of campaign we find the intercampaign crew divided into various groups starting the summer maintenance program. Lee Tregoning with Carl Watson, Howard Garrett, Dus King, Chet Conklin and Otis Coxen are cleaning and overhauling the sugar end.

Hank Wolf with his gang of Roscoe Sampson, Jess Wheeler, Orville McQueen, Adam Liniger, Red York and George Zimmerman are working over the saccharate building.

George Mellen, Bill Long, Red Thompson, Lyle Lafferty and Walt Brown are repairing the 8’ Olivers.

Swing Asst. Fred Page has just completed overhauling the control devices. Ancil Cameron and Rex Miller, ably assisted by Bill Tregoning, Roy Ferguson, Bill Herter, Fred Englehardt, Ray Marshall, John Spall, Bud Parsh, Werner Wehnmaster, and Dave Coble, are busy on construction work.

Roy House with Lew Thompson, Joe Bontrager, Jim Jenkins, Duke Snedden and Bob McCarthy working in the boil-
erhouse, find little time for idleness. Jim Young with his two aides, Bill Miller and Vern Tregoning, keep occupied working on motors and the electrical system.

John Ravithis and Hank Burbank are fighting to keep the locomotive crane running.

Sam Schuman, Ernest Pope and George Kidd are turning out the machine shop work.

Jim Teal and Jack Babbitt are doing the necessary welding.

Most of the carpenter work is being done by John Swaney and John Farlow.

Early vacationers, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Tregoning, travelled to Los Angeles to visit their daughter, son-in-law and new granddaughter.

We were sorry to learn of the death of Mrs. L. D. Cameron, mother of Asst. Supt. Ancil Cameron. The entire organization extends sympathy to Ancil and family.

John Spall and Jim Young represented our local union at the International Sugar Refiners Union Convention in San Francisco held April 20th to April 28th. Jim was back to work at 1 P.M. April 29, flying from Frisco to Denver in 3 1/2 hours.

Rex Miller has been losing his time card quite frequently lately, so if anyone happens to find card No. 9 lying around would you kindly return it to Rex.

Harry Koenig, cashier, spent a week in the Denver office recently.

To Duke Snedden and family we offer our sympathy on the death of Robert Snedden.

Sam Lanham has returned to the hospital to have more work done on his eyes. Here's wishing you best of luck Sam, from the entire gang.

With the commencement of Spring most of the sportsmen's thoughts are again turning to fishing season. Sam Schuman reports the catch of a five-pound bass at the town lake.

If anyone happens to have a spare cribbage instruction book, Heinz Zisch and Ted Grott would appreciate borrowing it. (It's evident that the Irish are represented in this writing.)

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**OVID**

**MOTT CANNON, Associate Editor**

As this goes to press the crew is busy with the usual maintenance work. Manager John Stewart and his field superintendents have lined up a fine crop and with a few drops of moisture—just enough at the right time—we should have a good campaign.

Of course, with a hint of spring in the air, a sugar tramp's fancy turns to thoughts of various kinds, fishing and gardening included. Asst. M. M. Cliff Davis and Whittle Whiteside are the top dogs on the fishing list with Beet End Foreman Clyde Kemper running a close second. Asst. Supt. Jack Whittier, Sugar End Foreman Jack Peyrouse and Supt.'s Clerk John Bell are dividing the honor of leading gardener. Peyrouse leans more to vegetables while John Bell and Whittier are grass growers. John uses a pair of tweezers to trim the grass while Jack Whittier knocks down the weeds every evening with a smog attachment on his vacuum cleaner.

Work goes on at the factory too. Asst. M. M. Alex Fritzler and Charles Woodhams, Herman Bauer and Walt Dunham have established a reputation as members of the building trade. The new fireproof shingles on the sugar warehouse roof and the Darco building, to say nothing of the house over the former generator engine and the bricking up of a few windows here and there, are shining examples of their ability.

Chief Chemist Paul Grissinger is learning the ins and outs of a brand new Ford station wagon.

Asst. Ben Williams has the battery on his hands. With the help of Dryer Foreman Harvey Wood, Steffen Foreman Pat Hewgley and Extra Foreman Del Lay they have two cells ready for riveting. Sweetland thickeners and Industrial filters keep them busy in odd moments. Ben is sporting a brand new Buick, by the way.

Chief Electrician Ford Kime and family are vacationing in California. While there, Ford attended the meeting held by the Beet Sugar Refinery Union at San Francisco.

Our congratulations and best wishes to Bill and Norma who were recently united in marriage. Bill Atkinson will be remembered as the man on the evaps and the son of Supt. George and Mrs. Atkinson. Norma is the daughter of Supt. and Mrs. N. J. Muscavitch of Fort Morgan. The happy couple will make their home in Chattanooga, Tenn., where Bill has accepted a position as a chemical engineer.

Beet End Foreman Al Fox and Sugar Boiler Erwin Henry have completed the valve repair and maintenance work and now have the Steffen House torn up.
Merry-Making At Ovid
Beet End Foreman Ed Dwyer and Extra Station Foreman Doc Seiber have finished painting the machine shop and a swell job they did.

Warehouse Foreman Hap Alexander comes out of his powder room long enough to wash off the powder. He doesn't take time to investigate our new hot water installation.

Cashier John Schrade has a sort of wild look these days, the reason: his new Plymouth is supposed to be delivered in 1949, he hopes.

Asst. Supt. Walt Pash dashes from the sugar warehouse to the pulp dryer warehouse, to the flumes and back to warehouse and then to the flumes. He says "Oh my aching yards." Walt also has charge of the yards.

Steffen Foreman Bill Cleary has been taking care of lime kiln brick. Which reminds us that there are three Clearys on the pay roll including Bob, assistant storekeeper and Mrs. Bob who does the typing over in the office.

Sugar End Foreman Pete Gillespie keeps the sugar rolling in the bins.

Dryer Foreman Nick Bretz has traded cars, I think he said it was a Ford.

Boiler House Foreman Jim Stokes is doing brickwork in the combustion chambers on No. 3 boiler, wherever that is. A place no doubt frequented by infrequent frequenters.

Sugar End Foreman Ralph Hays and Les Hanson have the overhaul on the sand pumps completed and if one mentions a vacation where you can lie on the beach in the sand it immediately starts an argument.

Sugar boiler Maynard Laufman, Sam Scott and Judd Russell scan the yards each morning eagerly for sight of a carload of engine from Minatare. These boys know how to pick 'em up and lay 'em down.

A beautiful wedding ceremony was held at St. Anthony's Church in Julesburg April 24 when Miss Mozzelle Cleary became the bride of Adam J. Lechman. Mozzelle is the daughter of William Cleary, Steffen house foreman.

Fieldman Eldon Graham, who was located at Hershey, Nebraska, was transferred to Brush. We wish Eldon every success in his new location.

Storekeeper Newt Cannady spent an enjoyable vacation in California during April. He went by automobile with his wife to Salt Lake City, San Francisco, Long Beach, Phoenix and Albuquerque. This was their first trip to California. According to Newt they had one swell time.

Ned Lockwood, our janitor, is leaving us June 1. Ned has been with the Company here for some twelve years. During that time he has been a thoroughly loyal and conscientious worker. It is with extreme regret that we see Ned leave us.

Fieldman Ralph Hettinger jumped out of the Chevrolet traces the last of April and bought him a new Ford to use in his travels around Big Springs, Brule, and Ogallala, Nebraska.

We extend our sympathy to Mrs. George Reed and her sons and daughter in their great loss of husband and father. In the three years that George was manager at Ovid he performed a
superb job and made many friends. There has never been a man in the employ of the Company who has been more conscientious or devoted more time and effort toward the interests of The Great Western Sugar Company and all connected with it than George Reed.

**STERLING**

J. J. KENNEDY, Associate Editor

It is with deep regret we report the death of our manager, George O. Reed at a Denver hospital, May 2, after an extended illness. During the short time Mr. Reed had been with us, he gained the respect and admiration of all, with his kindly unassuming ways and friendly spirit. To Mrs. Reed and family the sympathy of the entire organization is extended.

Mr. Reed was born in Hancock county, Ohio, was graduated from Ohio State university in 1915, served as a county agent in Ohio, and entered Great Western service in 1924 as a fieldman at Fort Morgan. In 1944 he was appointed assistant to the manager of the Brush and Fort Morgan factories and became manager at Ovid in 1945. He became manager at Sterling last August.

He is survived by his wife, Bernice Brown Reed; one daughter, Barbara, and two sons, John and Jerome.

W. E. Outcalt, fieldman in the Sterling district for 23 years, was retired on April 30. He began his field career at Sterling in March 1926, after having been assistant foreman at the Company farm at Fort Collins. May you enjoy many years of retirement, Bill.

Carl Luft has been transferred from Lovell, Wyoming to replace Mr. Outcalt. Carl is a local boy, brother of our stenographer, Marie, and a graduate of Colorado A & M College. During the recent war he served as captain of artillery in the European theater. We welcome Carl and his wife to our community.

Work on the new locker room is progressing satisfactorily under the supervision of Ray Brown, with Henry Scholten acting as civil engineer and Ed Slama, form builder. The footings are poured, much of the steel erected, and everything is ready for the pouring of the foundations.

“Chief” Myers proudly announces the arrival of another grandson at Gering, Nebraska, and Mr. and Mrs. Edwards are quite happy about their first granddaughter, born to their son Robert and his wife who reside at Redding, California.
Art Mosley, our timekeeper, is becoming celebrated in our community as a tenor soloist. He recently thrilled an appreciative audience as soloist in the cantata “The Seven Last Words,” at the local Presbyterian church.

Now that seed processing is finished, Charles Kapernik and his crew have started on dump maintenance, and Don Latta has joined the maintenance crew at the mill.

Our long dry spell was broken by a nice rain on May 4 and 5. This made the farmers very happy, and should, we hope, induce those who were hesitant to plant more beets. It will also, we are sure, calm down a few fieldmen, who were becoming prospects for an insane asylum.

BRUSH

W. K. LANE, Associate Editor

Activity at the Brush plant these past three months has for the most part been confined to the sugar warehouse, the result of a steady string of sugar orders.

We deeply regret the death of George Reed, manager at Sterling. John Petrik in has been at Sterling as acting manager since Mr. Reed was hospitalized in Denver. Mr. Petrik’s duties as assistant manager here have been taken over by Fieldman Vic Ostermiller, and Vic’s job has been filled by Norman Davis of Wheeland. Welcome to Brush, Norman.

We welcome Eldon Graham into the Brush organization. Eldon comes from Hershey, Nebraska where he was a fieldman in the Ovid district. He has taken over the territory formerly under Vic Ostermiller who has taken over the territory served by the late J. Y. (Jim) Henderson.

Manager J. L. Williams and family have returned from their annual trek to Phoenix, Arizona and report a very pleasant vacation.

Ben Woods, dump foreman, assisted by Jack Senseney, Carl Lebock, Neal Sprigg and Frank Cavness have been busy removing the factory scales at Brush and Ft. Morgan factories, also bracing the Ft. Morgan pulp silo. In addition, they have been unloading and issuing fertilizer at the Morgan plant.

Assistant Superintendent Sandy Henderson was “laid up” a few days as the result of dropping a sugar conveyor power cable coupling on his foot.

George Hardgrove, assistant master mechanic at Brush for 20 years, and a Company employee for 31 years, has been retired. George’s retirement became effective during his present illness which made it impossible to give him an appropriate “send off.” However, we are keeping it in mind and hope that he’ll be out to see us one of these days soon.

Doss Hutcheson is again playing his yearly role as “purveyor” of beet seed and fertilizer. He advises us that business has been pretty brisk this year and also a little complicated. The complications arise from trying to keep track of the wide variety of fertilizers now available in his department. Doss reports that he now carries beet seed, ammonium sulphate, ammonium nitrate, 16-20-0 ammonium phosphate, 20% super-phosphate, 12-24-0 ammonium phosphate and 42% Super-phosphate. He is out of 13-39-0 ammonium phosphate just now but will try to locate some if anyone demands it.

“Two-car Thornsby” reports that instead of getting 18 miles to the gallon, the best he can do is nine.

No more driving through heavy drifts of snow for Henry Niemuth that 20 miles each way to work got to be a day’s work in itself so Henry is building a new home on Turner Street.

Ruby Reichert, stenographer in the cashier’s office, has resigned her position effective about May 15. We will all miss Ruby and wish her the best.

The last time Capper took a day off it rained. How about taking another day off, Roy?

Fair weather finds Assistant Superintendent Austy Urbach and his gang (Heavy Shelton and Varian Wecker) hard at work on the new water-tower casing which settled a little this past winter and requires re-riveting in a number of spots.

We are wondering how “Stoney” Price is going to “rig up” in order to paint the steel above the presses, but “Stoney,” being an old “high” man, no doubt already has the solution in mind.

Varian Wecker’s nephew, Ronnie O’Neal, age 6, narrowly escaped serious injury when he was struck by an automobile while crossing Edison Street. Ronnie suffered bruises and face lacerations, but luckily, no internal injuries.

George Reich, crane operator, suffered a painful injury when he accidently dropped a heavy throttle valve on his foot while overhauling the crane. Last reports are that George’s foot is well wrapped in plaster paris and that he is on the mend.
Cashier H. E. Smith and family visited friends and relatives in Denver recently.

Wayne Stenback, superintendent's clerk, has taken a leave of absence to attend Colorado University where he will major in aeronautical engineering. Wayne plans to be back for campaign.

The other day we stopped for a visit with Farmer Capper (not connected with Capper's Weekly) at his Turner Street acreage. He has things figured pretty cleverly, having found that one week-end he can do some filling in on the south forty, the next week he mows the north forty, the week after that he weeds out the south forty, and by that time the dandelion crop is ready to harvest on the north forty. He figures that by taking good care of his health and by guarding against wearing his feet down to the ankles while shuttling between forties that he can make it until the campaign whistle blows and saves him.

Frank Tate, president of our local union, accompanied Floyd Logan and Harry Scilley of Ft. Morgan to the convention of the International Council of Sugar Workers at San Francisco. Prior to the convening of that body, the 18 Great Western factory locals represented there held a three-day inter-factory meeting. Frank reports a total of 53 beet factories present for the main convention which was to include only those mills west of the Mississippi.

While in San Francisco Frank experienced an Oregon mist, which "mist" Oregon and hit California.

FORT MORGAN
A. H. BURDETTE, Associate Editor

MANAGER J. L. WILLIAMS reports that contracted beet acreage is about eight percent higher than last year and about 30 percent higher than last year's harvested acreage. We were in need of moisture, as these notes were written, to germinate the crop and many of the growers were irrigating the crop up. There is a plentiful supply of labor.

The two union delegates to the San Francisco council of Beet Sugar Workers are back on the job. Harry Scilley and Floyd Logan drove Floyd's car out; they were only passed once going and coming — and that was by a little Austin. Most of the stories reported so far are not the type to print in The Sugar Press.

Assistant Chemist Russell Smith and wife, Doris, stenographer, took their vacation early this year, going with beet laboratory foreman, Wild Kenny Jack and his wife and toured the west from Las Vegas to Los Angeles, up the coast to Seattle, then by boat to Victoria, B. C. They reported many sights and places of interest, and had a very enjoyable trip.

Chief Chemist Clifford "Shorty" Koontz's latest hobby is a wire recorder. You must be careful what you say when you go to Shorty's house, as he will have it down on the wire.

The mumps bug claimed Mrs. Howard Schaal and Mrs. Dwight Gordon this spring. Also the Gordons have had their share of sickness as "little Jimmie" underwent an operation for appendicitis while Mrs. Gordon was ill with the flu; then to keep busy they moved to 401 Euclid Street.

Our local painter, Carl Fisher, to show his wares, painted his home at 426 Walnut Street. It looks nice from the street.

So far there has been little car trading this spring. E. L. "Dope" Patton traded for a used Packard and is in the better car class now. He also has 1500 little turkeys on the farm for his wife to watch in her spare moments.

Mechanic George Eckes is vacationing at home, probably spending his
time playing with his new lathe in his home workshop.

Cheryll Humerick, 3% year-old daughter of the former Doris Koountz of Fort Morgan, recently received a screen test and a gold cup award for being selected as one of the three district beauty winners in a San Diego contest. Cheryll was judged “the prettiest little girl of downtown San Diego.” She is the granddaughter of Chief Chemist and Mrs. C. R. Koountz of Fort Morgan.

Assistant Superintendent Ray Bachar has taken over the gardener spot on the factory grounds and the first crop of radishes has supplied feed for the starlings, that loveable black bird. But Ray is determined and planted more seed.

At a formal spring wedding, Miss Norma Muscavitch, daughter of Supt. and Mrs. N. J. Muscavitch, and William G. Atkinson, were united in marriage at the Eben Ezer Chapel, Sunday, April 10. The groom is the son of Supt. and Mrs. George J. Atkinson of Ovid, Colorado. The Rev. Frank L. McCormick, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, performed the double-ring ceremony. A reception was held at the Hotel Carroll immediately following the ceremony for the wedding party and guests. Mrs. Atkinson was graduated from Scottsbluff High School, attended University of Nebraska and was graduated from the University of Montana with a degree in bacteriology. Mr. Atkinson who graduated from Fort Lupton High School then attended the University of Colorado, graduating with a degree of chemical engineering. The couple left immediately for Chattanooga, Tennessee, where Mr. Atkinson has accepted a position as engineer at the Nylon plant of the E. I. DuPont de Nemours Company. Our best wishes go with the happy couple.

Harold L. Albert, our campaign assistant timekeeper, was united in marriage April 10 to Miss Patty Lu Christensen of Brush, at St. John’s Lutheran Church in Hot Springs, New Mexico. They will make their home at Brush where he is now employed as bookkeeper at the Farmers State Bank. Congratulations.

Dellis Shoemaker, who was boiler-room fireman, died suddenly of a heart attack April 22. Dellis, known to us as “Tack,” served during the war as Motor Machinist’s Mate 3rd Class, in the African, Middle East and European area. He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Maude Lehman, of Spokane, Washington.

It is with deep regret we learned of the death of Manager Geo. O. Reed, of Sterling. George served many years as fieldman here and as assistant manager at Brush, where he was known and liked for his sterling qualities by all of us. We extend our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Reed and the children.

SCOTTSBLUFF

P. W. Snyder, Associate Editor

WELL—it rained. That, of course brought smiles of appreciation all over the valley, but it spoiled the fishing for Oley Goos. Oley went to the Niobrara last Friday night to catch the big ones, but after spending all night in the rain, drove home without fish. Some good catches are being reported, however.

J. E. McAllister has been working on McCaunaghey lake in quest of wall-eyed pike. We know they are there and that Mac can catch them for he came through with a pike dinner for the writer last season. Hope he has luck this year and his memory is good.

Glen Rogers, chemist at Lyman, has been with us lately supervising the operation of the seed-shearing plant. Jack Hood has been busy recently building an addition on to his house.

Henry Kupilik and family were in Denver consulting medical authorities regarding their children. Henry was also confined to the hospital in Scottsbluff for a few days with strep throat.

Our accident record at this writing stands at 53 days since the last lost-time accident and 53 days for the previous record.

Keith Bigsby, who was injured January 18 in a fall, is back on the job.

Recent visitors included Messrs. Roach, Andrews and Neihaus.
George Luce represented the local union at the Inter-Factory and International Conventions in San Francisco.

C. C. Adams submits the evidence of his fishing ability. He spent his vacation visiting his son, Dick in West Palm Beach, Florida, and the 18½-pound King mackerel gave him a great thrill.

John Grabski is the proud owner of a new Plymouth sedan.

Pete Conrad has found it necessary to take his son to Denver a couple of times on account of an injury to his arm while participating in school athletics.

C. E. Conn, father of Farrell, passed away recently. Services were in Gering. We extend our sympathy to Farrell and family.

Mrs. Samuel Barton, mother of Fieldmen Bob and Sam, passed away recently. Services were at Gering.

Just a look around to see what people are doing: C. C. Adams, O. Wrenn, Kupilik, and Henry Herdt are working in the Steffen house and kilns. Bus Hight and John Schrader are cleaning pipe. George Durnin is busy with carpenter work. Harry Hood, Jack Hood and C. L. Morrison are in the shop, mostly on the new bag-stacker parts and centrifugal pulleys. Leo Shandera—always welding. John Grabski, George Burrows, Oley Goos and Lee Griffith are overhauling pumps and finishing the powder installation. Russell Johnson and Hank Scharton are working on the beet flumes and beet-handling machinery.

W. L. Gullett, George Heimbuck, Harry Floth, Louis Reiselman, R. Seydel, Paul Paiz, Arden Hight, Frank Rystrom and John Adams are busy shipping and receiving sugar. Incidentally they receive about as much as they ship since we are getting sugar from Lyman, Gering and Johnstown.

J. E. McAllister, John Lenz, Joe Stromski are at present overhauling the granulators. Ed Schmoe and Clyde Speck are on the slicers. J. N. Herron and John Lovell are busy in the boilerhouse. Lester Cline, crane man is unloading coke. Alex Wasmiller and Burleigh Ricketts are overhauling the evaporators.

Lee Gibbons, Keith Bigsby and Don Douglas are looking after P.Y. & F. C. E. Smith is painting and covering pipe. Ralph Brown is fixing the gutters and downspouts and doing other tin work. Pete Conrad, Oran Dwyer, and Adam Herdt are working on the pulp silo. George Luce and Bill Lohrie are busy with electrical work.

Now, who have we forgotten? Oh yes,—the correspondents—your guess what they are doing.

Shop Foreman C. L. Morrison is in the horse business. He recently acquired a small ranch up above Wheatland and took a few days off to move some horses from Colorado to the ranch, leaving them there at night and returning to Scottsbluff. It seems a neighbor rancher just didn’t like strange horses around so when Clay went back to check up, his horses were missing. It took a couple of days extra vacation but we understand the horses are now back on the ranch and Clay is back home.

We wish to announce the marriage of George Burrows to Pearl Marsh of Scottsbluff. They have just returned from a vacation trip to South Carolina where they visited relatives.

GERING
GEORGE GOLDFAIN, Associate Editor

AFTER a long reign of sub-zero, snowy and windy weather we are emerging from under the ice cap and nature is making amends by giving us some 80° plus sunshiny weather—so each soul can now take to his own, golfing, fishing, gardening, vacationing, spring house-cleaning (??) etc.

Kermit Beal and Lloyd Jensen journeyed to Denver on company business to investigate some chromium electroplating problems and incidentally attend one of the Technical Society meetings.

Community factory gardeners are again busy in the factory plots. Harvey Abbott was the bravest soul of the gang by putting in the first seed— and then Thad Greager—then came the office hot-house tomato experts,
Paul Melton and Bob Mitchell. Hope we have no June snows nor hails.

Omar Kelly underwent a tonsillectomy the latter part of April and is now back at work and fully recovered. As we have heard very praiseworthy remarks regarding his oratorical abilities in his clerical endeavors, we trust that this operation will result in producing an even more pleasantly resonant tonal quality to his voice.

Little Master Phillip Jensen also joined the parade to the doctor's office and underwent a tonsillectomy on May 2. Phillip is the son of Supt. and Mrs. Lloyd Jensen and we shall soon hear him about the premises looking around for bugs and pets of all sorts.

Asst. Supt. C. H. Scott journeyed to the Mayo Clinic for a routine checkup, and for a nominal sum (?) the M.D.'s confirmed Scotty's opinion that everything was O.K. so he is back on the job in his usual good spirits.

All opening-day fishermen reported very good fishing weather (for eski-moes) and all caught their limit. . . . ????????? . . . If limits were designated in inches instead of number of fish. Well, we are not discouraged and we shall try again, . . . next opening day.

Kenneth Randall, the "super-duper" ace crane man and the "Cannon-Ball Magee" of Boiler House fame, resigned his position and hied himself to the land of orange blossoms and movie queens. Kenneth is now located at Van Nuys, California, looking after the Rolls-Royces and Cadillacs in the Roy Rogers garages. What a break for the California gals. If Rita Hayworth returns to Hollywood without her Ally Kahn, she had better look out for one Kenneth Randall of Gering, Nebraska, and his Cannon-Ball motor bike. Kenneth reports that he is enjoying the scenery, on a windy day (or does the wind make any difference out there) and is enjoying his work. The boys presented Kenny with a nice traveling bag so that he could pack his motorcycle accessories in it. Good luck, Kenny, and don't let the California speed cops sneak up on you.

Hokey was indisposed for a few days with a bad case of ptomaine poisoning after partaking of some very appetizing looking meringue lemon pie. Others suffered in a like manner and we are glad to report complete recovery for all victims.

Messrs. Lyman Andrews and Ed Niehaus were here for a brief visit and addressed the factory employees regarding crop and campaign prospects for this coming year.

Mr. and Mrs. George Goldfain are again grandparents to a baby boy, Craig Alan, born to Lt. and Mrs. Don Goldfain at Scottsbluff. Lt. Don is now stationed at Johnson Field in the Tokyo vicinity and Mrs. Goldfain and children will join him at a later date. Mother and son are doing well.

Mr. and Mrs. V. I. Daniels are enjoying an extended vacation in the land of pineapples and perpetual sunshine.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Quinn attended the Pacific Coast Sugar worker's convention at California in an official capacity and report a very enjoyable time visiting the C & H refinery and other interesting spots.

Patricia May Callahan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Callahan of Gering, recently became the bride of Lt. D. Hight, son of A. E. Hight of Scottsbluff. The bride and groom went to Boulder and Denver for their wedding trip, and upon their return April 25 made their home in Gering at 1425 17th street. Mrs. Hight is a graduate of Scottsbluff high school and junior college and at present is employed as a stenographer in the office of the county sheriff. Mr. Hight is also a graduate of Scottsbluff high school and junior college and is attending Chadron state college.

BAYARD
PIERRE, Associate Editor

T HIS spring again, tra-la, when sugar tramps' thoughts turn to finny prey and apple blossoms, dandelions and cutworms, mosquitoes and that two weeks of rest?? We gaze out the window and find Julius Kell madly pursuing a mower about the yard; Floyd Black is comparing files on the storeroom window with those little feather creations in his fly book; John Shaw is polishing the venetian blinds in the skipper's office; and the fieldmen show up at infrequent intervals all decked out in straw hats and beet contracts. The blizzard of '49 is but a ream of statistics by this time, and may we hope it stays in Montana, henceforth!

The fattest fish story to come forth as yet was produced by our genial house mechanic, Gabe Randall. Gabe claimed the monster which got away, natch, was at least thirty inches in length, but there endeth not the tale, by any means. It seems that some unidentified female Walton cast her lure...
into the hole forsaken by Mr. Randall and actually landed the trout, which, to his horror, weighed in the neighborhood of four pounds. We haven’t heard much about large trout from them since opening day. Al Stewart happened to be along when his brother-in-law landed a nine-pounder, but he hasn’t had much to say concerning his own results.

Mr. Bristol must find these sunny days conducive to good health. He is looking normally robust again after recuperating from an operation performed during March. Or was it the recent visit from his grandchildren which brought color to his cheeks?

We are sorry to report the death of our former fieldman, Scott Brummett, who had retired from the Company’s service last December after spending thirty-two years contracting beets. Our sympathies are extended to his children and other relatives.

L. B. Lewellen, our WWIB Inspector, suffered a painful injury April 28, when he fought a brief round with the emery wheel in the blacksmith’s shop. This accident necessitated the amputation of one finger and a bone graft on another, which removes Lew from the active list for some time. Here’s hoping for a speedy recovery, Lew.

The somewhat mystical plans not yet completed by Ann Anderson when the last Sugar Press came forth have been carried to a successful conclusion—MIGHTY successful. Our stenographer became the bride of the Episcopal rector, Roland S. Lindsay, in a beautiful candlelight ceremony performed February 25. To this union go congratulations and best wishes from sugar tramps galore.

Meanwhile, Cashier Bond is scouring the employment agencies and beauty shops for a competent stenographer. Any good-looking young blonde who can type, take dictation, figure beets and smooch has the timekeeper’s permission to interview Mr. Bond for this position.

Whilst Ann was (honey)mooning in Bermuda or parts unknown, the stenographical chores were ably discharged by Florence Elerbeck, Mrs. Elerbeck is Roy Rabbits’s campaign clerk in the Scottsbluff lab, so she is no stranger to the whims of Underwood typewriters.

The Anderson-Lindsay nuptials also caused the Wadsworth family to emerge from their newly-acquired homestead in Longmont. We were glad to find that the Colorado boys hadn’t added any gray hairs to the Wadsworth thatch, and that the old sense of humor hadn’t changed a particle. We hope you won’t wait for a wedding to bring you again, Harry!

The Bayard crew has been doing its level best to keep the local physician in the higher income brackets. Julius Kell and Carl Haffner took a whiff of ether and, submitted to the knife while Lee Palmer and Burt Purvis have been fighting jumpy ticks. Floyd Mitchell went down for a siege with the flu, John Shaw accumulated a broken rib, Ernie Harris sprained a wrist, and Eugene Pinske tried to run a finger through the St. Regis machine. Even our first-aid specialist, Charles Ninegar, was laid up for a couple of days with the flu. The place has started to smell like a hospital ward.

Our good beet growers find Chris Moberg, Jim Wimmer and Shorty Nagel ready and willing to pass out the seed and phosphate, with Clyde Spangler and John Shaw lending a helping hand when the going gets tough.

Dryer Foreman George Morehead was an early vacation enthusiast, but he spent the allotted time putting in wheat and what have you on a dry land farm, of all things! We’ll have to sic a couple of fieldmen on George and educate him in the principles of irrigation and the art of raising sugar beets.

Hap Calvert, Clyde Spangler and Earl Warrick have been shooting the mice out of the dormitory in preparation for the spring occupants. If any of you gentlemen would care to become proficient in Spanish, we might recommend Al Kosmicke; someone with a diabolical sense of humor malled him a Spanish book for his birthday and he has been overheard muttering a pig-Latin American gibberish under his breath ever since.

Another language expert is our crane man, Otis George. Otis spent his vacation attending the union convention in San Francisco, but refuses to explain where he picked up his Chinese syllables. Possibly Mr. George is partial to chop suey. Loren Castellaw took care of the coal and coke while Otis was sojourning in sunny California.

Upon emerging from the door one bright sunny day, we found a strange and entertaining sight immediately across the way. Two young gentlemen
of otherwise dignified demeanor were dancing about in the middle of the grain field, apparently attempting to drag off each other’s trousers. Unable to determine at long range whether this was a strip-tease rehearsal or a case of sun-stroke, we grasped a large rock and cautiously approached the scene of the impromptu ballet, only to discover that the contestants were none other than Bob Belden and Roy Leytham. It seems as though the boys had been covering the factory wells with such enthusiasm that time went unnoticed until the noon whistle announced the hour, catching them with their overalls on, as it were.

Mr. Ginn is on the bachelor list while Mrs. Ginn is visiting relatives in Virginia.

Fieldman Abe Spurgin is coming within reach, at last. Abe has forsaken the village of Oshkosh, and reports he is now ready to receive his mail at Broadwater.

Our illustrious shop foreman, Doc Heyl, has come to regard turpentine as the father of all evil. Doc cleaned the grime from his hands in a kettle of contaminated turp, and soon afterwards became astonished when his fingernails began shedding like a seven-year-old’s teeth. After extensive medical treatment, this condition is clearing up, but Doc is still suspicious of anyone who mentions turpentine out loud.

Mr. Bond spent his vacation closing the books in G.O., while Mrs. Lindsay swam out in wedded bliss to assist John Ankeny in keeping the local office on an even keel. Hope everything’s still in the black.

Charlie Ninegar is bursting with scientific data as he lays plans for attending the High-Ten banquet next fall. Charlie figures on side-dressing his beets with two hundred pounds of salt to the acre, hoping for a sugar content of not less than twenty-five percent. We’ll assume the honorable chemist hasn’t read about what the Romans did to Carthage after shellacking Hannibal, and give further reports on this procedure as the summer progresses.

MITCHELL
B. S. PLENTY, Associate Editor

Looking over my notes, it seems to me that we have had more than our share of illness over the past quarter, starting with Matt Brennan’s unfortunate accident. Matt, we are glad to report, is quite fully recovered. Supt. Jack Ankeny, who had been ill several weeks, is now convalescing at St. Luke’s hospital in Denver. Francis Wood, assistant superintendent, is recovering after an operation. Others who have been suffering from various ills include S. G. Hooper, E. W. Todd, Stanley Brozee, also Mrs. A. W. Tangeman, wife of our shop foreman, and Mrs. Devan Wheeler, wife of our crane operator, who have been hospitalized. To the ones still ailing we wish for a speedy recovery.

To the following we extend our heartfelt sympathy in their bereavements: Fieldman and Mrs. John Sherman in the loss of their daughter Nancy Lee at birth, April 22; to Sugar Boiler and Mrs. J. H. Schwartz Jr. in the loss of their grandson, James Sylvester Deaver, born April 27 to live only three hours; to Sugar End Foreman and Mrs. R. C. Hartz, in the loss of her father; and to Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Todd in the death of Mr. Todd’s mother May 4.

The husky little miss with the cute grin, whose picture we print herewith, is Judith Carol, daughter of Fieldman and Mrs. Gordon Rudolph. She has now attained the age of nine months.

Those sporting new cars are as follows: Fords—Cashier Nasi and Electrician E. W. Todd; Pontiacs—Ass’t Supt. W. W. Dodd and Welder M. V. Roger; Plymouth—S. E. Foreman R. C. Hartz. We’re sure going to miss Judith Carol Rudolph
Mr. Nasi's arrival in his old 1937 wreck which you could hear going clankety-clank all the way from his home three blocks away with his dog, Duke, yelping all the way. Duke is now a lost dog and doesn't even come along anymore. Thank Goodness, says Mr. Juergens. P.S. Guess we have underestimated a dog's ability and guess Duke has put two and two together and is now back in the running.

One of these days we are going to print a picture of little curly-haired Sharon Case, 14-months-old daughter of Beet End Foreman and Mrs. Carl C. Case. Sharon is certainly a charmer. One of our Master Minds who has a title almost in the same category, and who can master the intricacies of the highest mechanical order, suffered a most humiliating experience and all because of a little "GEM" calendar pad. The other day he got around to putting on the 1949 pad and came over tossing the pad and stand on the desk, saying, "I just can't get those darn date sheets to lie flat; They are always turning up at the corners. I want you to cut me a piece of cardboard so it will form a flat surface for the pad. This thing has annoyed me for the past two years." Yours truly took one look, turned the stand over and the problem was solved.

Jerry Hooper and Larry Nasi, small sons of our assistant superintendent and cashier, respectively, had quite an accident some time ago when their bicycles collided which resulted in Jerry sporting one of the most beautiful and becoming black eyes you ever saw, which was quite in contrast with his red hair. Jerry thinks it isn’t so funny as he did suffer a painful bone bruise.

Our first vacationist of the season was Storekeeper Herald Curtis, who took a week off to attend the Firemen's Convention held at Grand Island, Nebraska. He also visited at Omaha and Lincoln.

It seems that the factory is an ideal place for dumping unwanted cats and dogs. At the present time a stray dog, classified by Mr. Brennan as a pit bull, has been befriended by S. G. Hooper, who has fed him, and to show his undying gratitude the dog has been following close on the heels of S. G. wherever he goes. Mr. Brennan, who insists on cleanliness around the premises and has had trash and refuse containers strategically placed, is now following the dog around.

Sugar Boiler and Mrs. J. H. Schwartz, Jr., are the proud grandparents of a son born to their daughter and son-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Leever of Bayard April 22. The baby has been named Michael LeRoy.

We use to have trouble finding grandma's glasses, now we find them where she empties them.

LYMAN

H. T. WAGGONER, Associate Editor

We have a belated report on the blizzard endured last January which we were unable to insert in the news for the winter issue. Just after the blizzard Supt. Evans and Master Mechanic Sheffield were called in to Scottsbluff on the maintenance list. To make sure they would not be stalled in another storm they commuted to Scottsbluff by Union Pacific Snow Plow.

Our compliments to Caretaker Clarence Strong on his fine job of putting the factory lawns in shape after the big drifts of snow and dirt had been removed. We are quite proud of our good looking lawns.

Fieldmen Henderson and Krueger are quite busy with the labor now coming in. They seem to be always on the go, hardly having time to give us a greeting now and then.

Lee Daniels reported that some snow still remains in quantities around Chadron, Nebraska where he spent a few days of his vacation on business. Lee is in the plastic business in his spare time and really makes some very nice curios and such.

Field portrait of Fieldman Bill Krueger cultivating a nice stand of 20-year averages with a calculating machine.
We had several visitors to Colorado lately, among whom were Master Mechanic and Mrs. Sheffield, accompanied by son Bobby and Mrs. W. H. Evans. Mrs. Evans remained for a week's visit with her daughter, Mrs. Elmer Power of Longmont, Mr. Evans making the trip over the following week to bring her home.

Others spending weekends at different times in Colorado were the Glen Vails, Hugh Highleys and Glen Kline families, also the C. J. Winbourns.

We have three new cars in our parking lot since the last writing of the press. Hugh Highley has a new Chevrolet, Les Hildebrand a Plymouth, and C. D. Schwaner a new Studebaker. Our apologies to Joe Lawson, he showed up sometime ago with a new Nash and we overlooked mentioning it.

We are not sure if these new cars are just the thing. It seems that Hugh Highley invited Supt. Evans and their wives to go for a ride, as he wanted to show off the new auto. The way it has been explained to this writer, Hugh nearly didn't make it back to town, it just started coming apart. We would like to say that if anyone comes across any spare part along the road side, Hugh may be offering a reward for it if it's missing on his car. I've also been advised by Frank Foster that if you plan on going any distance with Hugh it's a good idea to throw your tool chest in the back to be on the safe side.

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Messrs. C. S. Scott and William Jensen spent the first week in February in Scottsbluff presenting the annual maintenance list to the company officials. Mr. Jensen spent the previous week in Longmont visiting relatives and friends.

Fieldman Don Jackman resigned his position March 15. Don will remain in Baillantine to enter private business.

We recently had two new appointments to the Agricultural Department. R. H. Riddell was appointed fieldman March 15th. Dick will supervise the Shepherd territory. Thurman English was appointed apprentice fieldman April 15th and will work with Ralph Millice.

R. Ralph Wood, agronomist at the Longmont Experiment Station, came up for two weeks in April to plant his experimental beet plots throughout the territory.

Four of the fellows here have declared dividends and bought new cars. P. E. Teters has a new tudor Ford with overdrive et al. V. C. Anderson bought a Nash with the built-in bed. If times get tough Andy plans to rent out the car as a small apartment. W. N. Humphrey bought a new blue Chevrolet tudor. Francis Cashner now has a '48 Plymouth coupe. The kids can’t get out of the back now.

Since the last issue there have been several new arrivals in our midst. A daughter was born to Mrs. W. G. Vaughn March 5. Mrs. Vaughn is the former Jane Fosgate, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Fosgate.

A daughter arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Spalinger March 27. This makes three daughters at the Spalinger home.

A son arrived at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Oscar Baltrusch of Ekalaka, Montana April 6. Grandpa Oscar came through the ordeal with flying colors.

Another boy arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dean McKay in Helena, Montana on April 22nd. Mrs. McKay is the former Jean Davis of Billings, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Davis.

Vacations started early this year. The V. C. Andersons went to Nebraska the last week of February to visit friends and relatives. While there, they attended the marriage of Mr. Anderson’s sister to Mr. Rowland Lindsey. The wedding took place in Bayard, Nebraska February 25.

The Jack Grahams went to Eastern Nebraska March 21 to visit relatives. Jack almost had to stay there because of the snow storms. However, he made it back with the help of cooperative farmers who left their tractors in fields adjacent to mud holes. Jack told us that when a person got stuck, he went to the nearest tractor, hooked it up to the stalled car, pulled the car out of the mud, returned the tractor and drove on until he got stuck again, then repeated the performance.

WWIB Inspector Fred Lohstreter took a few days vacation during April. Haven’t heard what Fred did.

Ray Dimmitt spent two weeks of his vacation also. Ray says he laid floor in his basement apartment.

The following fellows have taken part or all of their vacations, but there is no report available of the activities involved. Archie Brown takes Fridays off. John Burkhardt took a week. A. W. Clark took two weeks. Murl Kimble took two weeks. Pete Wax went whole hog and took it all—three lovely weeks.

Supt. and Mrs. C. S. Scott left April 7 for a vacation trip through Oregon, California and New Mexico. They will visit with their daughter in Albuquerque on their return trip.

Storekeeper J. H. Hyde left the Company March 15 to enter into private business. E. C. Dickerson has been appointed the new storekeeper.

On April 16 E. C. Dickerson, storekeeper, and Grace Hassell were married. Thanks for the cigar Ernie, and best wishes.

The small son of Ray Daley had the misfortune to fall and break his leg during the latter part of April. The little fellow was to be hospitalized for about a month. At this time he is healing satisfactorily.

On March 1, Asst. Master Mechanic William E. O’Dell was retired. Bill was an old-time sugar tramp and had been in Billings for about 20 years. At present Mr. and Mrs. O’Dell are making their home in Sacramento, California.

The last week end in February Mr. and Mrs. B. Lindell took a trip to Yellowstone Park. They went in through the Gardiner entrance and Bernie said that it was a beautiful trip. While in the Park the Lindells had an encounter with a moose. It seems that the moose was in the road and would not let the Lindells drive past him. Each time they would try to move the car the moose would take up a threatening position. Finally the moose moved a short distance from the road, and Bernie screwed up his courage and raced past Mr. Moose just as he was charging. This game kept up for about half an hour and Bernie said he
thought he might have to spend the rest of the winter right there.

Grace Morrow started working the middle of April. Grace has to keep track of the beet laborers.

Clarence Olson was appointed official delegate to the conference of Sugar Factory Workers meeting held at San Francisco the last week in April. Clarence reports a fine trip and feels that much business was accomplished.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ealy, of Maracaibo, Venezuela, announced the engagement of their daughter, Evelyn, to Bob Kimmons on January 1, 1949. Bob is the son of Manager and Mrs. R. L. Kimmons. The couple plan to be married June 26 in Maracaibo, after which they will leave on a six weeks trip to the States. Miss Ealy is secretary to the American Consul at Maracaibo. Bob is project engineer for Creole Petroleum Corp.

Miss Mary Kimmons, daughter of Manager and Mrs. R. K. Kimmons, will be graduated from Sisters of Charity nursing school in Helena, Montana, May 29. She plans to spend the summer at home in Billings. In the fall Miss Kimmons plans to enroll in the St. Mary’s Nursing School in Rochester, Minnesota, for advanced training in surgery.

Miss Donna Bly, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Bly will be graduated from the Billings High School this June. She plans to continue her schooling at Eastern Montana Normal School in the fall.

Miss Virginia Kyger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Kyger, was named to the honor roll at Eastern Montana Normal School. Miss Kyger plans to attend Montana State University at Missoula next year.

Jim Hanna, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Hanna, is completing his second year at Eastern Montana Normal School. Jim plans to enter a dental school next year.

Bob Olson is completing his new home on Cole’s Lane, west of Billings. Bob is taking Mondays and Fridays on vacation in order to work on his home. He expects to have the house warming about June 1.

Officers elected by the GWESCO Club for the current year are: Mrs. C. R. Johnson, president; Mrs. C. S. Scott, vice president; Mrs. R. H. Riddell, secretary; Mrs. A. Huddleston, treasurer, and Mrs. Archie Brown, corresponding secretary.

Now the Spring is here, and the Press notes are in the mail, our thoughts are filled with week-end outings, and an extra week’s uninterrupted fishing.

LOVELL

BESSIE ROSS, Associate Editor

D. J. Roach, Lyman Andrews and Jack Maynard, all of the Denver office, spent a few days the last of January and the first of February in the Lovell vicinity. Mr. Roach and Mr. Andrews had to travel by train, plane and car to make the trip here and back on account of the severe weather conditions.

Fieldman Ralph Stahle had the misfortune to lose his car and garage the morning of February 3. The garage burned to the ground during some of the coldest weather of the winter.

Otto Frisbie, fieldman in the Lovell vicinity for the last three years, has been transferred back to Powell. Mr. and Mrs. Frisbie have moved to their farm home a mile from Powell. Carl Luft, who has been in Powell, has been transferred to the Sterling district. We wish to congratulate these two men, each having gone back to his former home. At this time we welcome Mr. and Mrs. James Gonyou of Loveland who have moved to Lovell to make their home. Mr. Gonyou will be fieldman in Lovell along with Ralph Stahle.

The Gonyous have secured an apartment and are all settled in their new location.

Mrs. S. J. Houser went to Raymond, Washington, the first of February to visit her daughter, Mrs. J. M. McDermott and family. The McDermotts have a new son who has been named Kevin. Mrs. Houser spent about six weeks in Washington before returning to her home here.

Mrs. Ella Oatman, mother of Boilerhouse Foreman William Oatman, spent three weeks in Fort Worth, Texas, during the month of March visiting her daughter, Mrs. Clayton Beckman who lives there.

Kenneth Asay, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Asay, spent two weeks here visiting his parents and family from the Navy Air Corps, Fort Corpus Christie, Texas.

Mr. Scott of Billings and Mr. Niehaus of Denver offices paid us a visit March 22.

Glen Averett has recently spent three weeks in the Veterans hospital in Cheyenne where he underwent major surgery. Glen is home now and after two weeks vacation is back to work at the factory. His brothers, George and Myrl, spent a day of vacation each on the first of April with him in Cheyenne.

A few of the men have taken a couple of days or so of vacation at this time. Assistant Superintendent Jack Asay, Beet End Foreman Ervin Lynn and John Monk, watchman, spent the 3rd and 4th of April in Salt Lake City attending the L. D. S. Conference.

Boilerhouse Foreman William Oatman and Sugar Boiler Roy Arnoldus each took one day of their vacation the weekend of April 8 and drove a herd of cattle to the Dryhead region for the Hansens. They returned Sunday night and were able to come to work Monday morning.

Jessie Stone and family have gone to Bakersfield, California, for a vacation to be spent with Jessie’s sister and family who live there. Mrs. E. E. Stone will return to Lovell with them, having gone to California with her daughter two months ago. While in California Jessie will attend a Union meeting in San Francisco as a representative of the local organization.

Assistant Superintendent L. M. Garber spent a week of his vacation recuperating from a recent operation. Lloyd is able to be back to the factory and at work again.

Joe Asay, beet end foreman, with Mrs. Asay, spent a two-day vacation in Salt Lake City having driven down the last of March. Their son, Bob, who

March 21—first day of Spring! Ho! Hum! And L. M. Garber is exploding with zip and energy.
spent some time attending Mission School in Salt Lake City, has gone to Argentina to fill a two-year mission for the L. D. S. Church.

Many of the Great Western employees will be sorry to learn of the passing of Gene Denton who died in Calgary, Canada the 30th of March. Mrs. Denton was superintendent’s clerk at Lovell for two campaigns while Mr. Lowry was here.

Dump Foreman Bob Bell has been ever so busy the last month keeping the farmers supplied with beet seed and phosphate.

Mrs. O. H. Swaney was elected first vice president in the Lovell Parent-Teachers’ organization at a meeting held in the Lovell gymnasium April 28th. Mrs. Swaney is very active in this worthwhile school organization.

Leah Ross, 16-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Ross, was chosen state president of the Future Homemakers of America at the conclusion of a meeting held in Laramie the 1st and 2nd of April. Leah will go to the regional F.H.A. meeting of the organization to be held at Santa Barbara, California June 21st, 22nd and 23rd, being one of the two voting delegates from this state.

May 1st was the opening day of the fishing season in Wyoming and from all the extra activity around the mill as well as the conversation for the past month the preparation was extensive to see that every little detail was worked out to assure the limit in every creel. The big day has passed and Mr. Hostetler, W. C. McCarty, L. M. Garber, G. R. Enevoldsen and H. L. Martin all went to Hyattville to try their luck; all returned with near limits, except one and he didn’t get any. (In case you are curious, a tip as to who it was; he has not lived in Wyoming as long as the rest of these men and his initials are W. C. M.)

Wallace Baird got his limit in the Clark’s Fork above Cody. Understand Mrs. Baird went along and caught the fish for “Wally.”

Along the same line one might inquire of Sugar Boiler Merrill Godfrey about the horse-trailer and jeep he is preparing for the trip to Hart Lake to try to bring back some of the big ones that are known to inhabit it.

The yard is beginning to take on some of its usual beauty under the expert care of our yardman, John Liethead. Several of the rose bushes have been moved to a new location from around the main office, some of the old shrubbery has been taken out and the lawn reseeded and resodded.

One morning, along about the time the winter in Lovell was at its height and the streets were so slippery you were lucky to stay on either side of them, I glanced out the window and there was a car driving into the driveway gate that looked familiar, only it was pretty badly battered up. After it parked, out of it got a couple of familiar looking fellows too, only it is unheard of for them to be coming in at 8:15. Seems as though the street was so slippery “Andy” Enevoldsen could not get stopped and an on-coming car hit him broadside. Lucky neither Andy nor Ervin Lynn, who was riding with him were hurt, but the car was somewhat ruffled up.

Verner Asay, extra station man, who has been one of the watchmen since the end of campaign, is again working in the mill and Glen Averett is taking over the job of watchman in Verner’s place.

Mrs. Wallace Baird, for several years Principal of the grades, will at the start of the new school year devote all her time to being principal and will not teach a grade. This is a nice step.
forward for Mrs. Baird which she has well earned.

George W. Rienks of Denver and Mr. H. W. Hooper and B. W. Morrison of the Scottsbluff office paid us a visit February 22.

The organization here was sorry to learn of the loss to Jack Asay, by fire of unknown origin, of his big log barn which burned to the ground early in April. The barn contained many irreplaceable items as is always the case with fire—besides the hay and grain.

HORSE CREEK QUARRY

"TIZZIE," Associate Editor

W. DUDGEON, Limestone Manager; Chuck Phillips and John Fellows spent a week in February at the quarry. Understand during their stay, several pies came up missing from the boarding house, perhaps Mr. Phillips can give us more details—anyway, Mrs. Van Zee has locks on the pantry now, Chuck.

Mr. and Mrs. Purdy have a brand new baby boy—Barry Drew. When asking Purdy about it, he knew all the details, length, chest measure, weight and even head measurements. What a proud papa!

Joe Ruth of Ruth Company again visited the quarry and his big smile and booming voice were a lift to all.

E. J. Couch, chief dispatcher, and R. F. Harris, road master of the C&S Railway were visitors at the quarry.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lopez have a new son named David LeRoy.

The Chester Stevens family "enjoyed" a vacation during February, but we understand they made a mistake going north to Wheatland, for snow in that area made them come home sooner than planned.

Harold Townsend is back to work after an operation at Memorial Hospital in Cheyenne.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Lopez and family have moved to the quarry after residing several months in the cottage next to the postoffice at Horse Creek.

Mrs. E. C. Hays was called to Salida, Colorado, for several days to be with her mother who was ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Stan Brewer and family have moved into the cabin vacated by the Claude Mainers. The Brewers have been living at Lang's Store where an emergency apartment was made for them in the dance hall.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Tourville spent their February vacation in Denver, where they enjoyed a week of Denver's lovely weather and all the big city attractions.

Ed. Smith underwent an operation at Memorial Hospital and is now recuperating nicely.

Superintendent T. J. Larsson enjoyed his vacation in February with his family at Ft. Collins. While there, his time was well taken up toasting his shine by the furnace while his wife did all the work.

Mr. and Mrs. James Jackson have purchased a new used panel truck.

Tommy Davis has bought a new motorcycle and now that he and Jean Cross are engaged he will have to put another seat on it for her—How about that Tommy?

Virgil Dousette was called to Joplin, Missouri by the death of a brother.

'Chink' Smejkal and Ed Purdy will no longer be partners at the 'shop' as Mr. Purdy is going into the business of Village Smithy at Frederick, Colo.

Dean Sunquist will be his partner. Good luck, fellas!

Mr. and Mrs. Heim Loopstra and son are leaving our community soon for Laramie, Wyoming where Heim will enter the University. Mr. Loopstra is our chemist.

The Sunday School under the direction of Mrs. G. F. Anderson gave a very nice Easter program. She was assisted by Mrs. H. Townsend and Mrs. W. Cross Sr. The children did themselves proud!

Baseball season has been in evidence since the Spring weather has appeared. Jack Myers and Chet Stevens have been the first casualties of the new season.

Wallace Lang, assistant superintendent, was absent from work a few days with the flu.

John Fellows has been up several times from Denver—the muddy roads between Cheyenne and Horse Creek don't help the looks of that new Dodge any.

Bill Leedy was very unhappy about the oil spattered around in his compressor room, but can't seem to find the guilty parties. How about it? Perhaps Mr. Fellows or Mr. Larson or maybe even Mr. Purdy or Ivan Harnish could give an explanation. Each declared the other was to blame. Well, someone has to oil that machinery.

M. R. Stoneman, electrician, received word that his mother was very ill at Fairbury, Nebraska. Mark left immediately to be at her bedside.