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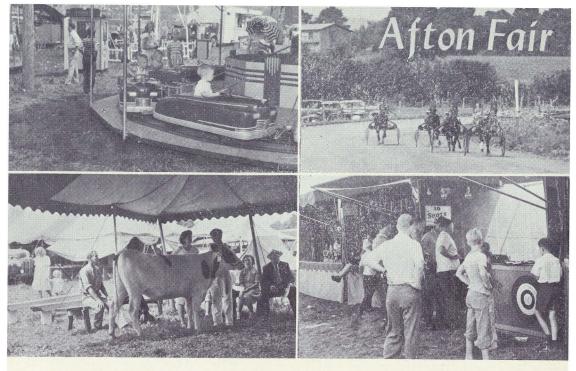
# Bikini Birthday

A year ago this August atomic bombs fell on the tiny atoll of Bikini. Contrary to prior speculation, the tiny piece of coral did not disappear below the Pacific's surface forever. Radioactive goats did not succumb quickly. But since the atomic experiments conducted at Bikini, man's hopes to control the atomic world cooperatively and rationally have sunk lower and lower into the oblivion of distrust, fear, ignorance and diplomatic interchange.

World government still remains potential while such problems as mass starvation, active fascism and international dislocation grow broader and deeper in scope. We in America must observe the Bikini Birthday with solemn self castigation and searching thought. We must ask ourselves certain questions. If possible, we must find answers to these questions.

The most important questions we must answer are concerned with war and peace. If we want peace then it is time to change our standards of measurement. We must judge our progress first in terms of human lives redeemed and realizations made possible, not in dollars saved or spent. If it's war we want, let's keep grabbing on the basis of selfish interest and mutual distrust.

Happy birthday, Bikini.



County Fair, land of make believe, where even the oldest hearts thrill again to the music of a merry-go-round

Summer is noted for many things. For example, take the County fair . . . an American institution almost as old as its

Uncle Sam, yet young enough to make the oldest hearts

thrill again to the music of a merry-go-round. It takes a special recipe to serve a piping hot county fair on the tail end of summer . . . first of all you need an acre or more of colored lights, spangled tents, fluffs of cotton candy and trays of candied apples. For flavor, just add the mouth-watering taste of hamburgers, hot dogs and onions being browned to perfection; the warmth of buttered pop corn bursting like tiny atoms inside carnival poppers; and the ice cold chill of barrels of root beer foaming into paper cups. For color you need look no farther than the lemonade stands, the kewpie dolls and the bright red and yellow rides. (Continued on Page 4)







### COUNTY FAIR (from Page 3)

Stir above contents rapidly under a canopy of canvas, bringing everything to the boiling point. Allow to simmer for three whole minutes before adding the spice. Remember that it is spice and spice alone that makes a county fair summer's most tasty dish.

For spice add the following:

The hoarse cry of sideshow barkers. The laughter of small children on their first pony ride, and the scream of young girls left rocking at the top of a giant ferris wheel. Tents straining at their guy ropes in a stiff breeze that suddenly whisks empty pop corn boxes over the heads of the midway crowd. Horses whinnying in their stables at the race track, the 2:15 trot, and the bright jackets of the sulky drivers.

Hell drivers and death dodgers, dancing ponies, trick horses and trained dog acts before the grandstand. Grange, Future Farmer and 4-H exhibits. The lowing of cows protesting against the heat, and the noisy cackling of the poultry tents. The bleating of sheep and the grunt of hogs. Band concerts, high wire acts, and Home

Bureau Milk Bars. Merry-go-rounds, ferris wheels, chair swings, rollo-o-planes, loop-o-planes, whips, airplanes and kiddie rides. The "oooohs" and "aaaahs" of people at the conservation exhibit.

Long avenues of colored lights under a ceiling of stars. The roar, the grind, and the strain of rides going at top speed. People having fun, and a lost child crying for his mother. Spill the milk bottles, string games, and the staccato outbursts of the shooting gallery. Fortune tellers, wooden canes, and guess your weight games.

State police and deputies sheriff directing traffic. Balloons, toy monkeys and plaster dolls. The magic ring of "BINGO," and the cry of the caller, "Don't go way, we'll do it all over again." Crackerjacks, peanuts, pop corn and chewing gum. Pennny arcades, and young men trying to impress their dates with a superman average on the penny strength meters. And in the quiet of the night—soft voiced sighs—"Gee, the fair's over for another year."—"I wish it could last forever."—"Goodnite, folks."—"See you again next year . . . at the fair!"

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### **BEHIND THE COVER**



"She's only four, and it's her first ride on the merry-go-round. Tiny Patty Ann Adams of Johnson City, N. Y., registers mixed feelings of apprehension and surprise upon suddenly finding herself guiding a charging, white stallion on Reith-offer's new merry-go-round at Afton Fair.

The Scintillator's photographer tried his best to coax a smile out of Patty, but after all you can't expect a lady to look her best when you catch her unprepared. Usually Patty is quite generous with her smiles, but in a situation like this a girl hardly knows what to expect next. Besides handling a horse is serious business, Patty thinks.

# Scintilla Bus-K-Nect Speeds Battery Changes

Specially designed by Scintilla as a time-saver in the removal and replacement of batteries in busses, trucks and other heavy duty motor vehicles, the BUS-K-NECT is one of Scintilla's newest postwar developments. Since the end of World War II Scintilla has continued its research in the development of new improvements in the field of aircraft ignition. However, at the same time, Scintilla has also concentrated its research in the commercials fields, creating products for which a definite need exists. One of the results of this extensive research is the BUS-K-NECT, designed by Scintilla to speed battery changes, cut maintenance costs and reduce fire hazards in the operation of all heavy duty motor vehicles which require frequent battery changes.

Measuring only 4½" long, 2" wide and 1¾" high, the BUS-K-NECT consists of a moulded junction box of high impact material which accommodates three terminals in a compact arrangement. Three sets of spring contacts exert a firm grip on the terminals, insuring tight contact even under the roughest road conditions. In addition to this a hinged cover, held shut by a spring catch, also aids in holding the terminals firmly in place, and helps protect the terminals and contacts from damage.

**Installation Easy** 

Installation of the BUS-K-NECT is easy inasmuch as it may be conveniently mounted on the vehicle frame. Removal of batteries is simplified because, with the BUS-K-NECT, no tools are required for the operation. The entire operation con-

sists of simply releasing the BUS-K-NECT cover by pressing the spring catch, and then disengaging the terminals from the connector contacts. In replacing the battery the terminals slip easily back into position, and the cover is closed.

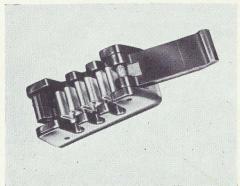
### Reduces Fire Hazards

Among other advantages of the BUS-K-NECT, battery terminals last longer because it is not necessary to disconnect the cables from the battery when it is removed. This reduces terminal damage to a minimum. Advantages of the BUS-K-NECT in reducing fire hazards are obvious. Should a short circuit occur, the entire ignition may be quickly cut off at the source merely by disengaging the terminals from the connector.

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BUS-K-NECT with cover closed. Spring catch holds cover in place, and helps protect terminals and contacts from damage. It also aids in holding terminals firmly in place. BUS-K-NECT is shown with cover in open position. Three sets of spring contacts exert a firm grip on the terminals, providing tight contact under the roughest road conditions.





# **Amendments Made to Group Insurance Policy**

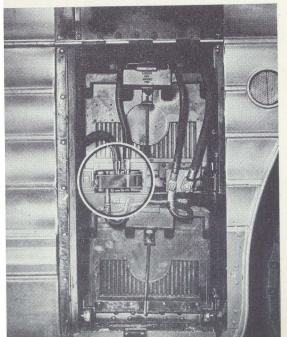
According to an announcement made last month by the Insurance Section of Bendix Aviation Corporation, arrangements have been made with the Travelers Insurance Company for the issuance of a "Notice of Amendment" describing three amendments which have been made to our Master Group Insurance policies during the past few years. These amendments, liberalizing certain benefits available to insured employees, are explained in the following excerpts of a letter from the Insurance Section:

1. Life Coverage

"Previous to September 1, 1946, an employee whose group insurance was cancelled because of termination of employment was obliged to secure a converted life contract effective as of the date his group insurance was cancelled in order to avoid a lapse in the protection. An employee has always had thirty-one days after termination of employment in which to convert the life coverage, but if the employee died subsequent to such termination and before applying for a converted policy, no death benefit was payable to the beneficiary.

"Beginning September 1, 1946, the policy was amended to provide for payment of the amount of the life benefit to the named beneficiary if the life coverage is cancelled because of termination of employment and

Photo illustrates simplicity of BUS-K-NECT installation (in circle) compared with conventional battery connections. Dual battery installation in a bus is pictured.



the death of the employee occurs within thirty-one days after the date of termination and before a converted policy is effective."

### 2. Accidental Death and Dismemberment Coverage

"Prior to September 1, 1946, if an employee received payment of the Principal Sum under this coverage, no further benefit was payable in the event of a subsequent injury causing death, dismemberment or loss of sight. The new amendment removes this restriction by limiting the benefit payment to the Principal Sum with respect to injuries resulting from one accident.

"For example, let us assume that an employee receives injuries in one accident which result in the loss of one hand and the sight of one eye. On a later date the same employee is involved in another accident in which he loses a foot. Under the original provisions he would have collected the Principal Sum for injuries suffered in the first accident, but would have received no benefit under this coverage for the loss sustained in the second accident. The revised provisions would entitle the employee to the same benefit for the injuries arising out of the first accident and, in addition, one-half of the Principal Sum would be payable for the loss of the foot in the second accident."

3. Hospital Coverage

"When this benefit was originally added to the policy, the reimbursement for special hospital expenses, other than room and board, was limited to those services specified in the policy which were anesthetic, laboratory, X-ray, delivery room and operating room.

"The present coverage extends this reimbursement to include any charge made by a hospital for medical care and treatment except charges for board and room (which are covered by the daily benefit), nursing care and the attendance of a

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# Phoney Pfishiology

a sad tale about
a guy, a fish that got
away, and a sympathetic
butcher. Photos posed
by Fred Smith, Dept. 6



"There's something fishy about all this. Why the camera?"



"Ah, this is what I call really living. Give me the simple life."



"It feels like a baby whale." Must weigh at least 30 pounds."



"I wonder what Ken Payne would do in a situation like this."



"Sell me one with the head still on, and they'll never know the difference."

# "Il Tiptoe Back in seven minutes II"

In the eyes of men sometimes there are hazy, faraway looks—not often, but sometimes.

Lassie, they're dreaming dreams of summers four million miles away, dreaming of pals . . . you see, around their ears there's the din of modern business, the urge, the beat, the rhythmic "Giddap" of things to do . . . and before their eyes parade their tasks, low in stature, some menial, some colorless—lazy, idle, demanding things that will not do themselves.

And for a moment they dream . . . dream of the sweets and the adventures and the tastes of old Earth . . . air castles made with business plans mixed with books and solitudes and people they love. They hear the whisper and the roar of winds in far green forests; hear the wasted tumult of white waters; hear loons that query in the stillness of black, velvet nights and the far, plaintive answers . . . soft, softer, then dying away 'til nothing intervenes twixt those and silence.

They hear the whispered voices of folks they know and sons and lassies . . . and the bark of old pal dogs . . . and the melodies of a youthful "barbershop" quartette . . . and their Mother's crooning songs . . . and in their dreams, they listen and romp and smile and play and fight with the ghosts of all the blessed irresponsibles who've called them friend or pal . . .

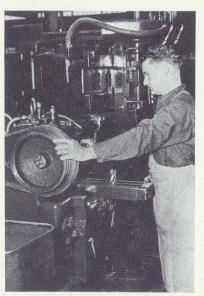
... close the door softly, Lassie ... for in the eyes of men sometimes there are hazy, faraway looks—not often, but sometimes.

# CHAMPION ENDURANCE TEST STILL GOING STRONG

Since our story on the Champion outboard motor endurance test in the July issue of The Scintillator, Mr. DeChard, Sales Manager, informs us that the motor is still running after 2,978 hours of continuous operation. Mr. DeChard points out the fact that the average yearly operation of an outboard motor is estimated to be 50 hours.

During a recent visit with Earle L. Du-Monte, President of the Champion Motors Company, Mr. DeChard observed the endurance motor on test, and at that time the motor was still going strong. As was reported in the July issue the Champion motor is sparked by Scintilla's K1 magneto.

I wish to thank all those who were so kind to remember me with flowers and cards during my recent confinement in the hospital. I also wish to express my thanks to Dept. 81 for their cards and basket of fruit. Walter Miller, Dept. 81



Leon Coy, Dept. 29, is only posing by the Nichols Hand Miller, above, but leaving the guards off may cause the loss of a hand in actual operating conditions Any moving parts, not protected by guards, are likely to catch clothing, causing serious injury.

# Candidly Yours

### THE OUESTION

"In your personal opinion, what does Sidney need most insofar as benefit to the entire community is concerned?"



Dept. 34: "We should have a park

with a supervised

swimming pool. Just

recently a small child nearly drowned

in the river, and this

alone should more than point out the

Dept. 34: "I don't son why we can't have a nice park ... we're a big enough town. I also think it would help a lot if Edward Jacobsen, ming pool."

Merton Barnhart think our present park is large enough. There isn't any reawe had a real swim-



Receptionist: "I think that a nice swimming pool with a lifeguard would be a real asset to Sidney. I definitely do not approve of the river as a swimming place. Next to this Sidney should have a better lighting system on its streets at night."



Betty Roe, Inspection: "I think it would be nice if Sidney had a park. A park always improves the appearance of a community and it would give the community something to take an interest in."

first need, I think, is an off-the-street Ann Olmstead,

parking lot. More people would come here to shop if they could find a place to park. Also we should have an ice rink for skating during the winter."

D. M. Sutton,

Dept. 72: "Sidney's





Elizabeth Spencer, Personnel: "I would say that a swimming pool is needed most. Also Sidney should have an ice skating rink for winter use."



Above photo was taken at a recent Service Department picnic, held at the home of N. C. Meagley near Norwich. Members of the Service Department and their families are pictured.

### J. W. HOVER RETURNS FROM VISIT WITH THE TUCKEYS



Mr. and Mrs. Tuckey

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Tuckey, former Scintilla employees, will be interested in the above picture which was contributed by J. W. Hover, Dept. 15.

Mr. Hover, who recently returned from a visit with the Tuckeys in Tuscon, Arizona, reports that both Cliff and his wife are in excellent health. Cliff, a former employee in Dept. 34, left Scintilla three years ago because of poor health. Since then he has worked at an Army Air Base in Arizona. He sends word that it is gratifying to find Scintilla magnetos and other equipment on the planes based there. Mrs. Tuckey formerly worked in Dept. 18.

### INSURANCE (from Page 6)

physician.

"The same maximum limit of five times the daily benefit or \$20.00 for charges incurred during any one period of disability remains unchanged."

Scintilla will receive a sufficient quantity of these "Notice of Amendment" forms to permit distribution among all insured employees. However, a few employees who are recent additions or who have been issued replacement certificates within the past few weeks will have certificates already containing the amended provisions.

## Our Reporters



Doris Oliver

Brown hair and blue eyes seem to go well with Doris Oliver's personality. Doris, our reporter in Departments 5 and 8, originally hails from Milford, N. Y. where she was born July 27, 1923.

Graduating from Milford High School as a member of the Class of 1940, she first started work in a "five and dime" store in Oneonta. She was married in 1941 and in August, 1943, she came to Scintilla. Her husband, Lee, also works at Scintilla where he is employed in the harness department.

In school Doris took a business course, but favored English as her top subject. She likes dancing, movies and travel. During the war she traveled quite a bit, visiting her husband in southern army camps.

She has one pet peeve—she works in an office with nine "fellows." "They all have something that needs typing in a hurry," Doris says. However, Doris likes her work and says it will be okay until the time she settles down to be a housewife . . . a real one.

I wish to thank my fellow workers in Dept. 12 for their gifts, cards, flowers and kindness during my recent operations and confinement in the hospital.

Rudy Pataki, Dept. 12

# Meet Your Foremen

Harry O. Dickinson, foreman of the Company garage, is an ex-radio and vaudeville musician, having played trumpet and French horn on the Keith-RKO circuit for more than four years.

Harry was born in Deposit, but his family moved to Sidney when he was only three months old, and consequently he calls himself a native of Sidney. He attended Sidney High School, and then started to work at the Sidney Post Office as a mail clerk. After a period of five years Harry left the mail service to work for the Oneonta Quality Silk Mills where



Harry O. Dickinson

he was in charge of shipping and receiving for 10 years.

He then went into radio and vaudeville work, playing the Keith-RKO circuit as well as independent houses. From vaudeville he launched himself into a different side of the music business as a traveling representative for the Larkin Music Company in Binghamton.

Harry's father was Chief of Police in Sidney for 40 years, and Harry returned to Sidney to take his place when his father

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# Meet Your Supervisors

A native of Weilheim, Germany, Emil Erb, Assistant Supervisor of Departments 28 and 34, was born on February 28, 1901. Upon completion of his early schooling he decided to learn a trade as a tool machinist, and accordingly he signed up with G. Boehringer at Gueppingen, Germany as



Emil Erb

an apprentice. He finished his apprenticeship training in 1919.

Before another five years had passed by Emil was in the United States, working for the United Shoe Machine Corporation in Binghamton. He worked for the shoe manufacturers until 1929 when he first came to Scintilla. He started work in the tool room, and remained at Scintilla until 1937 when he went to Rochester to work for Eastman Kodak.

However, he returned to Scintilla in 1940, and since that time has been in Dept. 34 in various capacities. He became an assistant supervisor a short time after V-J Day.

His sports interests include fishing, tennis, bowling and golf. Emil is married and has two daughters. He is a member of the Sidney Tennis Club and also the Bowling League.

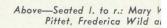


Fifth Service Awa

Below—20-year group. Standing I. to r.: L. M James McGregor, James J. Belden, Everett Graham, Harold Seely, Lewis Wi,

Above—Robert Wickham and Harry Earl were presented 15-year awards by Mr. Trees.

Below—15-year group: Nickolaus Muller, J. H. Mayforth, Charles Root, J. T. Lansing, James Hutchinson and Herbert Walters.



Top Right—15-year group: L. Clarence Wheeler, Edward

Middle Right—Ruth VanVoorh from Mr.

Bottom Right—10-year group: Pratt, Alfred Benwell, Clinton 1

Presentation of 10, 15 and 20-year Service Emblem Awards marked the observance of Scintilla's Fifth Annual Service Emblem Awards Dinner for employees of Scintilla Magneto Division, Bendix Aviation Corporation. Held at the Scintilla Cafeteria on the evening of July 14th, the dinner was presided over by E. M. VanName, Director of Industrial Relations, who introduced each employee to the executives' table for presentation of service emblems. Approximately 150 employees attended.

Twenty-year emblems were presented to Augustus Asplund, Roland L. Barratt, Sr., James J. Belden, Earl Case, Mario DeSalvo, Robert Graham, Charles P. Haviland Jr., Walter Hediger, Albert Herdeker, Everett Jewell, Warren Kishbaugh, James McGregor, Rene Pittet, Harold W. Seely, Lester W. Trees, Mary C. Weeks, Lewis Wilber, Frederica Wild, and Bernard Wyss. Mr. Van Name announced that these employees, along with twelve other

20-year members, would form the nucleus of an old timers' club to be organized at Scintilla in the near future.

Fifteen-year awards went to the following: Louis Albino, Robert Bernhard, Gordon W. Bronson, Paul Daniels, Marshall A. Dart, Louise Dickson, Emil Erb, Carl Hall, Lynn Hallock, James D. Hutchinson, Erwin Jackle, George Jones, Edward O. Kleiner, J. T. Lansing, Morrisson E. Luckenbach, J. H. Mayforth, Nickolaus Muller, Alfred Poole Sr., Andrew Pro-



haska, Hector Rees, Charles Root, Mildred Rowe, James B. Wakeman, Herbert Walters, Clarence E. Wheeler, and Fred Wuthrich Sr. Ten-year awards were received by 114 employees. Five-year awards were later distributed to eligible employees by their respective Foremen.

Following the presentation of awards, Mr. Van Name introduced Mr. G. E. Steiner, General Manager, who commented briefly on Scintilla's progress since V-J Day. Text of Mr. Steiner's address follows:

"First, I wish to offer my sincere congratulations to those having received the 10, 15, and 20 year service pins, and also to extend the same congratulations to those with five years of service who will receive their pins from their supervisors. It is very pleasing to see so many here to-

night being awarded the emblem. The rank of the old timers is gradually increasing.

"The second anniversary of V-J Day will soon be here, and no doubt you will be interested to hear what this Division has accomplished in the current year and also about its future plans. This will be done extremely briefly.

"During the fiscal year 1946 to date employment has averaged 2,172, with a low of 1,959 employees, and a peak of 2,385 against the 1938 pre-war average figure of 765 employees, with a low of 636 and a peak of 773 employees. The year 1938 is used for the reason that it was a true pre-war year, and not 1939, inasmuch as in the latter year we were already manufacturing ignition for the French and the

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# Souvenir 5th Service Emblem



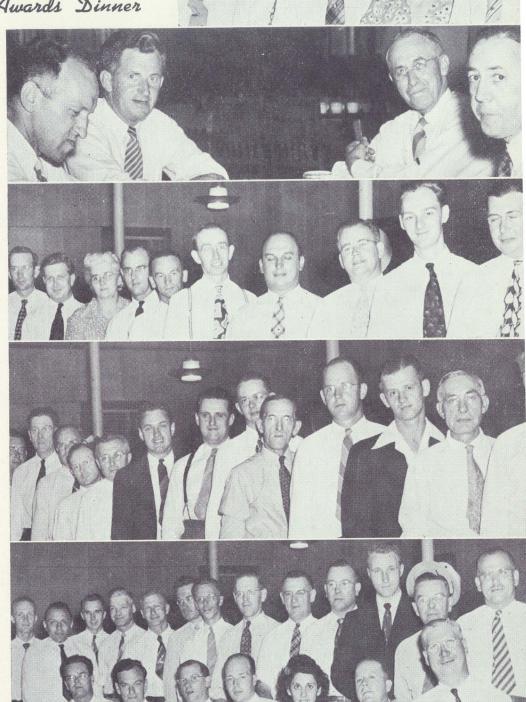






Photos of Awards Dinner







At the completion of awards, Mr. Steiner spoke briefly on Scintilla's past achievements and plans for the future. L. to r.—Mr. Trees, Mr. Fagan, Mr. Spengler, Mr. Hanni, Mr. Steiner, Mr. Van Name, Mr. Michel and Mr. Hitchcock.

### AWARDS DINNER (from Page 13) British.

"Many new products have been added to our list, such as K-type Magnetos, Plug-in-connectors, Bus-K-Nect, Low Tension Ignition, High Frequency Ignition, etc. Such items a year or more ago were either in the drafting or the experimental stage. Looking forward all of us, in every walk of life, are searching for clues to the fundamental direction which the American economy will take. This question is of great concern to all industries as well. During the year it has been extremely difficult at times to keep our Division to the output achieved. Many strikes affected our vendors' deliveries to us of needed materials and supplies. Strikes also affected our customers, thereby involving restriction of shipments of our Division to them.

"Personal airplane makers, who at times had dreams of an early era of a 'flying jalopy' in every garage, are scaling production programs down to more realistic figures. This has already affected our production of small aircraft ignition. In spite of all of these handicaps, we are trying hard to maintain an employment level commensurate with production that this Division can obtain either through the sale of our own products or through ourselves subcontracting from others.

"You can rest assured that the management of this Division is going to follow the same good principle established at the inception of Scintilla by Mr. Hanni of remaining a quality manufacturer and that no stone is going to be left unturned to add to our products line many new items in the years to come, and also to tackle any other products that we may subcontract in order to keep employment at as high a level as is consistent with good business.

"We believe that an empty factory or one only partly filled is just as detrimental to the Division as unemployment is to workers. However, to achieve full employment this Division will take its responsibility to continue to do all in its power to reach and maintain this goal. Nevertheless, the management of any industry cannot do so alone and must have the coopera-

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Mildred Rowe smiles broadly following presentation of 15-yearaward by Mr. Trees. Mr. Hanni is pictured in the background.

# Scintilla's Medical Department

Although all of us, at one time or another, have had an opportunity to become acquainted with Scintilla's Medical Department most of us fail to realize the importance of First Aid in modern industry. Over a period of years the development of modern living has emphasized the need for First Aid, and especially in industry, where men are continuously working with machinery, the value of First Aid can never be underestimated. Often the balance between life and death is maintained only by the application of First Aid to a patient before the arrival of a doctor, and even though safety features are incorporated in our machines, it is still a reassuring thought to know that Scintilla has a competent Medical Department, staffed by trained nurses, capable of coping with any possible emergency.

Prior to 1941 Scintilla required only a small First Aid Department for the handling of minor injuries. However, the entry of the United States into World War II resulted in an increased number of employees, and the present setup was adopted.

A part of the Industrial Relations Department, the Medical Department is supervised by Martha Dwyer, who is assisted by Mary Hill, Madeline Kane and Inez Hollenbeck, all registered nurses. Jeanne Diffenderfer assists with the handling of all medical records. In addition to Scintilla's regular medical staff, Dr. Loomis and Dr. Danforth supplement the department.

Dr. Loomis and Dr. Danforth alternate every four months in holding employee clinics twice a week. On Tuesdays a clinic is held from 4:30 to 5:00 o'clock, and on Fridays a second clinic is held for 1st shift employees from 7:30 to 8:00 o'clock. These clinics are held for the purpose of enabling the doctors to examine any occupational injuries that do not seem serious enough to send outside for treatment.

Miss Dwyer emphasizes the fact that First Aid means just that, and all injuries requiring treatment other than First Aid are immediately referred to a doctor. On an average, Miss Dwyer reports, 2,000 calls a month are handled by the Medical Department. These are mostly due to foreign bodies in the eyes and abrasions.

Sometimes it is necessary for one of the nurses to call on a sick employee. Also anyone absent from work three days or more, due to illness, is required to have a signed release by a doctor before returning to work. Time cards of employees who



Martha Dwyer, R. N.

are ill more than three days are held by the Medical Department until a signed release is presented by the employee upon his return to work.

Several records are kept by the department, including a daily record sheet of each call, a file on all injuries within the plant, a complete physical file on all employees and a card file on all employees which lists the person to be notified in case of an emergency.

In addition to its medical duties the department also issues safety equipment, and handles Blue Cross and Group Insurance.

Medical Dept. Photos on Page 18



Medical Department personnel are pictured in a series of typical daily operations. Clockwise— Jeanne Diffenderfer; Morris Horton; Madeline Kane, R.N.; Mary Hill, R.N.; H. Wischhusen; Inez Hollenbeck, R.N.; and Oliver Shaw.

### Awards Dinner (from Page 16)

tion of all its workers. However, may I say that this Division has had cooperation from its workers, and I welcome this opportunity to pay a tribute to the men and women of Scintilla for their loyal support. I know that with such continued cooperation we cannot do otherwise than progress with confidence disregarding the many obstacles that may be encountered and the present economic uncertainties, as we believe also in the future of America."

### Dickinson (from Page 11)

became sick. Although police work wasn't Harry's choice he came to Scintilla in 1941 to take charge of the police force. In December, 1946, he was placed in charge of the Company garage.

Music is still Harry's main hobby, and at the present time he is directing the American Legion Band. Harry also likes baseball, but he says he doesn't have very much time to follow it closely.

### Judy Lambert Honored at Shower

Wedding bells in the sultry month of July announced the recent marriage of Judy Lambert, Service Dept., to Bromley Smith on July 26th at Oneonta.

Prior to her marriage Judy was honored at a shower by several of her co-workers. Held at Hotel DeCumber on July 17th, the shower was attended by Ruth Adams, Lena Marsico, Rosalie Murphy, Helene Fox, Mildred Fairchild, Julia Loetscher, Rose Faulkner, Lillian Short, Mildred Rowe, Evelyn Nelson, Anna Miller, and Ann Olmstead. The bride received many gifts.

When King James called St. Paul's Cathedral "amusing, awful, and artificial," the architect was pleased. In those days, amusing meant amazing, awful meant awe-inspiring and artificial meant artistic.

A member of the Masons and the Oneonta Elks, Harry lives with his mother in Sidney.

# Picked Up in Passing ...

THINGS WE LIKE ABOUT AUGUST: Oceans of sweet corn, waving in the breeze and wearing rich tassels of brown silk . . . fair time when ordinary lots play make believe and dress up like "Fairyland" . . . steamed clams and sweet corn dipped in melted butter . . . vacation jaunts to emerald colored lakes, sparkling like rare gems in the morning sun . . . huge slices of cherry pie and the spice of things being canned in the kitchen . . . early morning walks in the steamy mist of an August dawn . . . stores making a feeble attempt to sell "kids" on the idea of going back to school . . . rivers and lakes wearing a glass finish, broken only by the fury of "big lunkers" breaking water . . . berries of all kinds, shapes and colors waiting for some dainty hand to turn them into pies, puddings and cobblers . . . hay cocks standing in long, neat rows like silent sentinels on watch . . . the steady drone of honey bees breaking the silent monotony of humid August afternoons.

• THINGS WE DON'T LIKE ABOUT AUGUST: Flies and other pests making a general nuisance of themselves... people who irritate easily during dog days... the odor of insect sprays hanging heavy in the air... the worn out look you sometimes can't help wearing

after an especially warm day.

• One of these days we're going to launch a campaign for the founding of an exclusive organization. Such an organization would be composed entirely of all editors who have ever shed quarts of perspiration while getting out after-vacation issues of their respective magazines. Unfortunately, when we returned from our vacation, we found all our unfinished business right where we hastily stuffed it before taking off for the distant horizon. From the appearance of our desk, piled high with mountains of overdue work, it was readily apparent that no little pixies or brownies visited our office while we were away. As of this date we vote ourselves charter members of the Respectable Order of the Typewriter Ribbon. Incidentally this organization is open to anyone who has ever raced to meet a deadline.

• Anyone who missed the Firemen's Convention in Sidney last month really lost out on an excellent opportunity to educate the feet. Naturally we're referring to the street dance which was held in the evening. We wore our rubber-sole saddles to increase our braking ability on some of the fast square dances, and as far as we're concerned we think the dance was one of the best we've ever attended. From the air we imagine that River Street resembled a huge billiard table with people bouncing from one curb to the other. Fortunately no one was lost down a catch basin.

● DEPT. 38: Most of the gang in 38 took advantage of vacation time by visiting the lakes and rivers . . . Ethia Parliman spent a week at Raquette Lake . . . Pauline Harner visited friends at a cottage on Lake George . . . Lucinda Kelly vacationed for a week at Black Lake . . . Regina Shaver visited the Thousand Islands and Canada . . . Maude Brockland spent her vacation at Watkins Glen . . . Edith Pratt included Sandy Creek, Canada and Long Lake on her vacation itinerary . . . and Dorothy Heiden spent a few days at Seneca Lake. Meanwhile Mary Whitman and Kenneth Secrest were honeymooning through the New England States.

DEPTS. 5 & 8: Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Peterson are the parents of a son, Gary, who was born July 26th, weighing 8 lbs. 12 ounces. Congratulations! . . . Fred Riesen had an operation on his eye, and we hear he is coming along fine. Hope to see you back soon, Fred! . . . Mr. Hediger has returned after spending a month out West in Washington and Oregon. He reports he had a wonderful trip . . . Ed Knight should be careful about sneezing, especially in a boat, because replacing teeth is rather expensive, and diving for them isn't so much fun. Is it, Ed? . . . Art Fargo and Joe Caffee caught their share of fish during their two weeks' vacation. Art pulled his in at Lake Ontario and Joe got his at Twitchell Lake . . . We wouldn't mind Doug Hall's whistling if he would only change the record once in awhile . . and we wouldn't mind Les Searle's cigars either if he would buy perfumed ones, or maybe try a different brand.

POST VACATION VIA THE LABORATORIES: Virginia E. Chase, Floyd Root's

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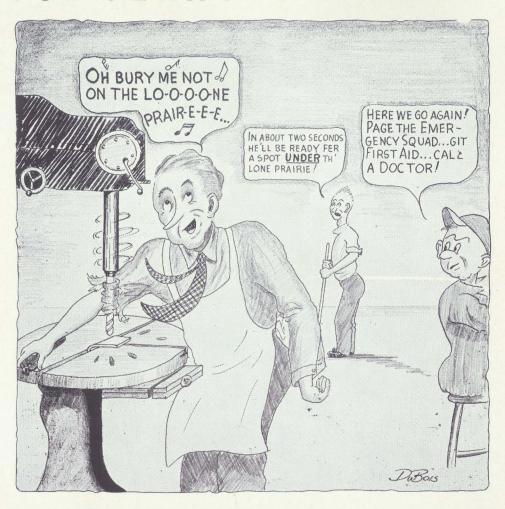
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trusted secretary, returned from vacation with a beautiful diamond. The lucky fellow is Hart C. Patchen, now employed at General Electric in Syracuse as a Radar Technician. As yet no date has been set . . . Mr. Taft is looking for something to remove paint from his hands and finger nails . . . Mert Goldsmith spent his vacation (?) digging a cellar for his greenhouse . . . Don Palmer tried going places with his new (? ??) '34 Chevy, but spent more time under it than in it . . . Floyd Root had a blow out on his vacation trip, turned around to his wife to inquire "who's doing all the shooting," and then drove 150 miles home without a spare . . . Flora Jackson was a spectator at the AAA Auto Races, held recently at Williams Grove, Pa. . . . Carl Pomeroy slept days and rocked his daughter nights—says it's more comfortable than trying to sleep . . . Dick Elliot has decided not to drive any water wells this year—claims that one of the four from last year is still giving water.

- SHIPPING ROOM NEWS: Vacations come and vacations go, but shipping news goes on forever: After vacations at different sunny beaches around the country Ruth Humberston, Roy Boggs and Dick Dodge came back to work with the same pale faces they had before. They should have got the "know how" from Harry Hazlett-he sat on a stone and got a nice burn . . . Herb Somerville trained to the state capitol for a call on T. Dewey, but found he was still on his Western tour. Later in the week he took a flying trip to the snake country around Scranton . . . Anne Kusko and Pauline Hough got hold of the same travel folders, and spent the week sightseeing around Washington and N. Y. C. . . . John Coddington went fishing in Axhandle County, caught an 18" trout (he said he did), and ate it as soon as he could get it cooked. Funny, but he didn't even take a picture first . . . Jerry Duady watched the Red Sox pick up a few games and then drop some just as easy . . . Otis Norton went to California, Mexico, Texas and Utah—said he flew. Probably did—on the wind from that story ... Walt Miller put his stamp of approval on the G. E. plant at Schenectady . . . Grace Howard and Laura Wells both stayed home, but Laura entertained friends from Michigan and Grace redecorated her living room . . . John Gieselman relaxed by showing his friends the high spots around the country, but wouldn't commit himself as to just which high spots . . . George Marnell and Bill Mechan gave lessons in swimming and bathing by ducking a "drake" in the pond in Brooklyn.
- ☼ DEPT. 26: Anyone concerned about the size of fish in Canada should ask Bill Clapper or Loren Turner about the stringer of fish they lost overboard while fishing. Or ask Bill about the fish he couldn't land because he couldn't get it close enough to net. These stories are also told by Harlan Alberta and Harry Dougherty who went along for the ride.
- DEPT. 6: A roundup of the vacationers reveals that lake trips and fishing were the leading pastimes of the Material Control-Production Planning people—Archie Jones, Earl Tilyou, Jim Hanft, Bill Berry and Clyde Hathaway all rod and reeling . . . Hanft, former Army Air Corps Lieut, reported back to the office like a Snuffy Smith character who'd been caught in the cracker barrel-bandages on his hand due to a brief encounter with yellow jackets who were decidedly victorious . . . Clyde Hathaway tells of inquiring as to why two sea planes were on the inactive list at Long Lake. Seems the magnetos weren't functioning. Clyde, when learning that they weren't ours (naturally), gave the owner some valuable advice ... Katherine Schwartz enjoyed the air conditioned trains to and from St. Louis, but the 101° temperatures were hard to take in her old home town . . . Gladys Walker back feeling virtuous for having polished off many chores she's had on her list all year . . . Jim Brady likewise; says his wife was a good boss, allowing him to eat during working hours . . . After getting inventory off to a good start, Harold Baker spent the second week "working at home like a dawg" . . . The Saratoga races beckoned Merwin Lawrence and Earl Tilyou and were enjoyed although no killings were made . . . Tabulating Dept. people covered a lot of ground— Thelma Baldwin motoring as far as Michigan and Harold Mattice doing Canada and New England. Anne Getter was loyal to New York, settling for Saranac.

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# JOE JERK . . . He's a hazard at work



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- INSPECTION: Harry Walton has returned to work following a ten day cruise to Bermuda . . . We expect Hildred Bennett back soon with tales of the West . . . Cliff Pratt spent part of his vacation in Canada . . . And we hear that Arlene Milk is really a farmer girl at heart when she's home . . . pitching hay, etc.
- DEPT 100: Much of Dept. 100 is still on vacation, but your reporter did discover that ... Al Dewey has developed a new hobby—dropping perfectly good casting rods in Guilford Lake. Nice going, Al. If you have that many you could give them away . . . Sam Nader has been right on top of the world since he won a recent golf tournament at the Oneonta Country Club . . . Charles Dean kept things humming for Pratt & Whitney for a week during Iim Quinn's vacation . . . Seems that Phil Allen made the third of a party of fishermen who trekked some 700 miles in the Canadian wilderness to bring home 3 really big Northern Pike.



# A Little on the Photogenic Side

The Republic Sea Bee, owned and operated by Cliff Prati and Bob Felske, is shown in natural surroundings following a perfect landing on an upstate lake.

John L. Michel III, two-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John L. Michel, Jr., takes advantage of a "wait beween trains" in Philadelphia to sniff at some nearby flowers. The Michels visited Philadelphia on a recent vacation trip.



# The Sidney Cardinals





Ann Fisk, Jimmy's sister, smiles approval at her brother's efforts. However, the Binghamton event was called off before it's completion, spoiling chances at the championship for Southern Tier boys.



Jimmy Fisk, 12-year-old son of Jim Fisk, Service Dept., was a recent contestant in the Soap Box Derby which was held in Binghamton. Photo pictures Jimmy in his racer.



This photo might appropriately be titled "The Old and the New." Members of Sidney Fire Department's Emergency Squad pose for their first picture with the squad's new ambulance. Old ambulance is also pictured.



# **BARTER COLUMN**

FOR SALE: Wurlitzer accordion, Phil Baker model, 120 bass. In good condition. Excellent for beginner. Clarence Unverfurth, Sidney 6204.

FOR SALE: Dandy two-man rowboat. Price \$50. Sidney Chappell, Dept. 27.

FOR SALE: One pair of white shoe roller skates, size 8. Inquire at 14 Cayuga Street.

FOR SALE: "Schwin" built girl's bicycle. Slightly used. Complete with accessories. Inquire at 9 Cayuga Street.

FOR SALE: All Aluminum House Trailer, approximately 18 feet in length. Sleeps four, and is equipped with gas stove, refrigerator and toilet facilities. Good tires. Trailer is in excellent condition. Ray Beames, Dept. 12 or 21 Colgrove Street.

FOR SALE: .35 Remington rifle, pump action. As good as new. Charles Jordan, 30-832.

FOR SALE: Whitman wicker stroller, folding carriage. W. B. Sargent, 173 Johnston Circle.

WANTED: Child's tricycle, medium size. Bob Stafford, Inspection, or Phone Morris 38.

FOR SALE: Goats. Two milking does and five kids. Well bred. For particulars contact Caroline O'Connell, Production Planing Office.

FOR RENT: Two large, single rooms. Furnished. Contact Clifford Hess, 12-737, or call at 45 Grand Street.

FOR SALE: Girl's bicycle, in good condition. Also clarinet, used slightly. E. Spencer, Personnel.

FOR RENT: Summer Cottage at Oquaga Lake, by the week September through October. Boat, heat and utilities furnished. Stanley Scutt, 12-1353, or 216 Johnston Circle.

FOR RENT: Cottage, Thousand Island Park. From Sept. 1st to October 15th.

### Letters to the Editor

I se in a paper that a man named James Smith was atacted and et up by a bear whose cubs he was trying to get when the she bare came up and stopt him by eatin him up in the mountains near Alburquerque, N. M. What i want to know is did it kill him or was he only partley et up and is he from this place and all about the bare. I don't know but what he is a distant husband of mine. My first husband was of that name and I suppose he was killed in the war but the name of the man the bear et being the same i thought it might be him afer all and i ought to know it if he wasn't killed either in the war or by the bear for i have been married twice since and their ought to be divorce papers got by him or me if the bear did not eat h'm all up. If it is him you will know it by him having six toes on the left foot. He also sings base and has a eagle tatoed on his front chest and a ankor on his right arm which you will know him if the bare did not eat up these parts of him. If alive don't tell him i am married to John Jones for he never did like John. Mebbe you had better let on as if i am dead but find out all you can about him without his knowing anyting what it is for. That is if the bear didn't eat him all up. If it did i don't se you can do anything about it and you needn't take no trouble. My respks to your family and please ancer back.

P.S.—Was the bear killed? Also was he married again and did he leave any property worth me laying claims to.

Proud Native: "What do you think of our town?"

Cynical Visitor: "It certainly is unique."

Proud Native: "What do you mean,
unique?"

Visitor: "It comes from two Latin words— 'unus' meaning one, and 'equus' meaning horse."

Inquire Ed Hermann, Ex. 309.

FOR SALE: Coal range with water front. Good baker. Also one coal heater, practically new. Call at 38 Pleasant St. after 4:00 p.m. or see Frances Pendlebury at Payroll window. Phone 6856.