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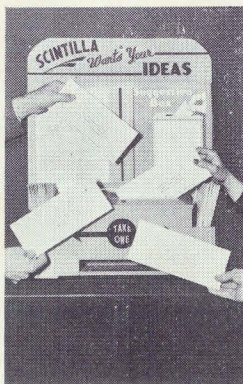
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## Calling All Suggestion-eers



From the beginning of human existence, man's progress up the scale of civilization has been in direct proportion to the ideas advanced by each succeeding generation.

An idea led to the discovery of America. Multitudes of ideas have sparked the steady growth and development of these United States . . . ideas now reflected in the highest standard of living of any country in today's world.

Every business was founded on an idea. That's how Scintilla got its start. And every business, including Scintilla, depends on new ideas for survival and continued prosperity.

Those bright yellow Suggestion Boxes, located at various points in the plant and offices, are ample proof that Scintilla stands ready to reward you for any ideas that prove of value to the company. They are an invitation for you to think constructively about your job.

Familiarity with the job you are doing is the first step in making a suggestion. Once you have mastered the technique of your own special job, you can analyze the reasons why it is done that way. Then it's time to ask yourself how the methods can be revised to shorten the production time or improve quality, or both.

Benefits of the Suggestion Plan, with participation by a majority of the employees, are obviously far-reaching: (1) You receive cash awards for your  
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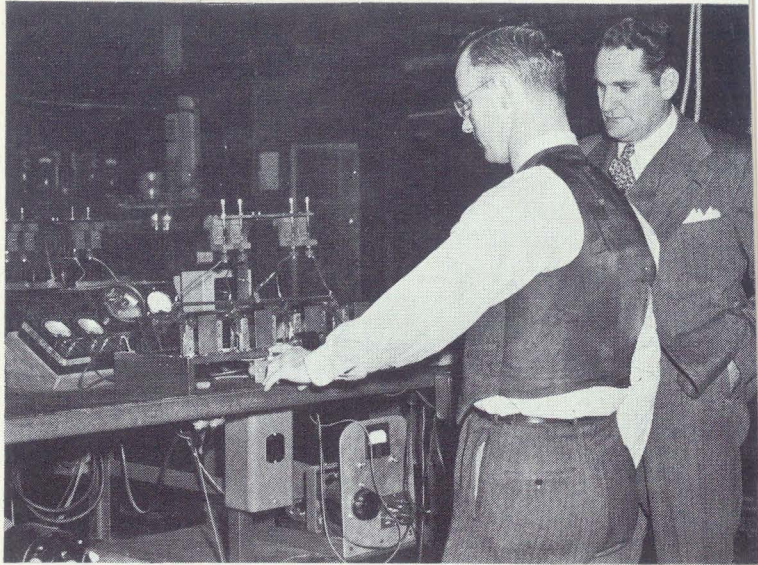


# Pay to the Order of . . .

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John Cable points out advantages of his suggestion to Suggestion Supervisor R. C. Dawson.

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An award of \$226.25 last month boosted Scintilla's suggestion payments to \$653.25, total amount paid to Scintilla employees since re-establishment of the Suggestion System last October. Since then nine suggestions have been processed and approved, and approximately eighty additional suggestions are now in the process of being investigated. The award of \$226.25 was made to John Cable, Dept. 99, as payment for seven suggestions concerning various methods of improving coils and coil testing.

Primary suggestion submitted by Mr. Cable concerned an electrical test of the coils which are used in the K-magneto. Mr. Cable suggested testing four coils at one time on the same fixture, completing at one time an open circuit test, a Koilster test and an ohmmeter test.

Other suggestion winners since October include the following:

Rudy Pataki, Dept. 12—An award of \$172.55 for a suggestion which concerned the replacement of a plywood protection covering on the Wasp Major High Ten-

sion Harnesses with a covering made of pressed paper.

Frank Cockcroft, Dept. 39—An award of \$30.00 for a suggestion pertaining to a change in the section of the molds which are used in molding the coil cores.

Garner F. Barton, Dept. 99—An award of \$42.00 for a suggestion pertaining to the reworking of an air gauge spindle.

Melvin Griswold, Dept. 31—An award of \$50.00 for a suggestion which was used in conjunction with certain procedures in the IBM system.

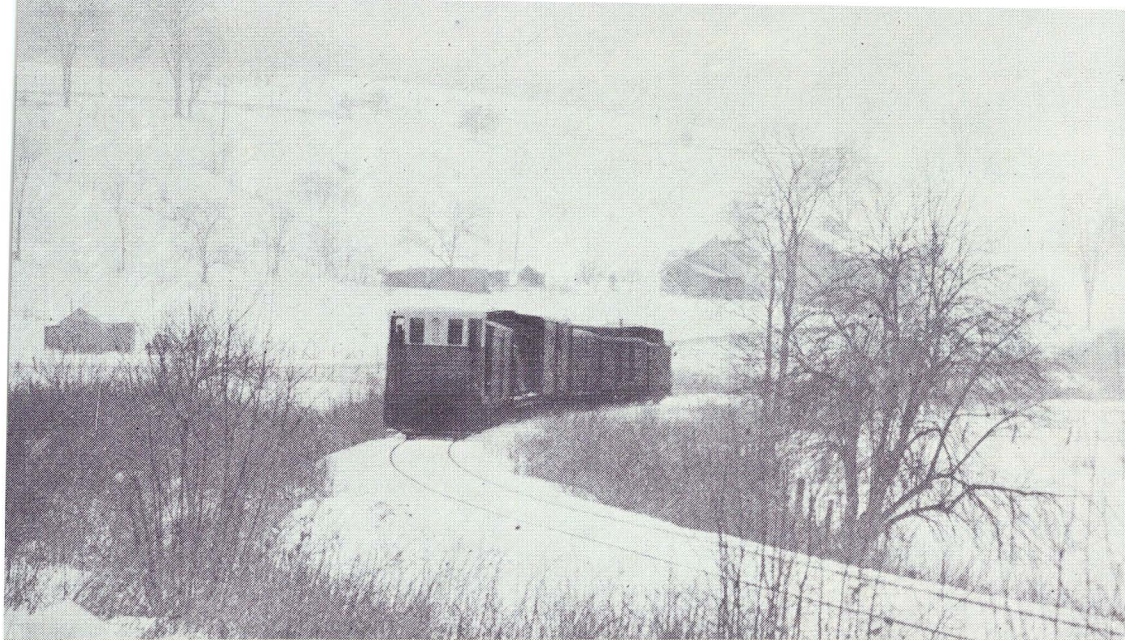
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## Calling All Suggestion-eers *(from Page 2)*

suggestions, in proportion to the savings made possible by putting them into actual practice. (2) Savings in production costs are reflected in selling prices that enable us to compete with other firms in the same respective manufacturing fields as ours. (3) Ability to hold our own in a competitive market creates a wider demand for our products, thereby enlarging our sales. (4) Increased sales call for increased production. (5) And increased production is what we all need in order to keep working and earn a living.

So, become a Suggestion-eer. Turn in your suggestions . . . start now. You'll be doing yourself a good turn!





Above—New Scintilla equipped Diesel rides the rails of the Unadilla Valley near Rockwells Mills.

U. V.

... Snakelike, the Unadilla Valley winds and twists forty-nine miles through the heart of the New York State milkshed.

= Shortline Railroad

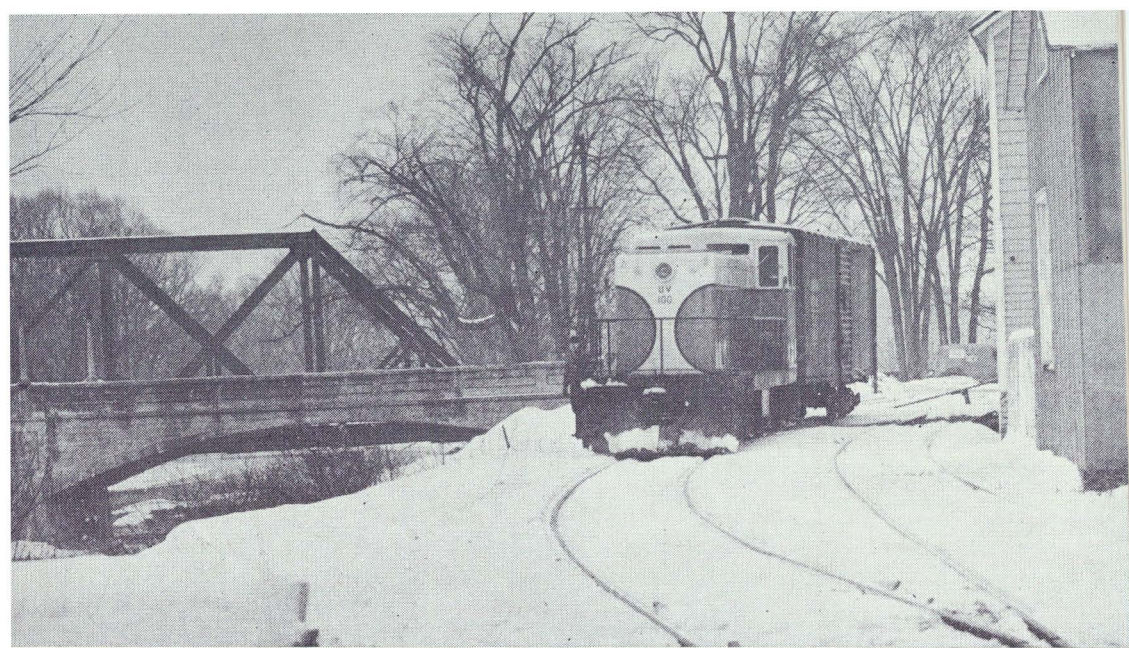
Winding and twisting through the fertile farm lands of the valley, along the grassy rim of the Unadilla River and back and forth across Route 8, the Unadilla Valley Railway carves a serpentine passage through the heart of the New York State milkshed. It serves the people of the valley it is named for, forging a vital, forty-nine mile link between the Lackawanna in Bridgewater and the O. & W. at New Berlin Junction (East Guilford). Most of the time its trains average 10 to 15 cars a day, but sometimes the daily haul may be less. Usually its load will consist of almost anything from milk and milk products to spare tractor parts for a farmer at the end of the line.

The Unadilla Valley isn't a big railroad. It wasn't meant to be. But, to the valley people, it has long become an indispensable part of their daily life. Life in the valley would be difficult to picture without the friendly, little train, and valley people would miss the familiar click of the rails, the gentle rock it gives to their homes and the unsteady sway of the china closet, as it rolls past their back yards and across the open fields.

In summer the U. V. clicks along its

rails at a leisurely pace—past a vivid panorama of valley life, rolling hills and grassy river land. Through tiny villages and flower decked fields. Past laundry-strung yards and big, white farm houses . . . from Bridgewater to River Forks, Leonardsville and West Edmeston. On to Sweets, South Edmeston and New Berlin. Out from New Berlin to Edmeston and Pittsfield and back again to the home sector. And on to South New Berlin, Holmesville, and Rockwells Mills. To Mt. Upton,





*Above—One of the U.V.'s new Diesels pulls into the home sector.*

Rockdale and finally the Junction at East Guilford.

In winter the valley changes little except for a smooth, unruffled blanket of white that paints a snow scene the equal of a Currier and Ives print. Toward spring the right of way becomes streaked with specks of grime and nearby fields reveal small dots of green. Sap buckets sprout on nearly every tree and the U. V. can relax a little after a hard winter of keeping its valley artery open.

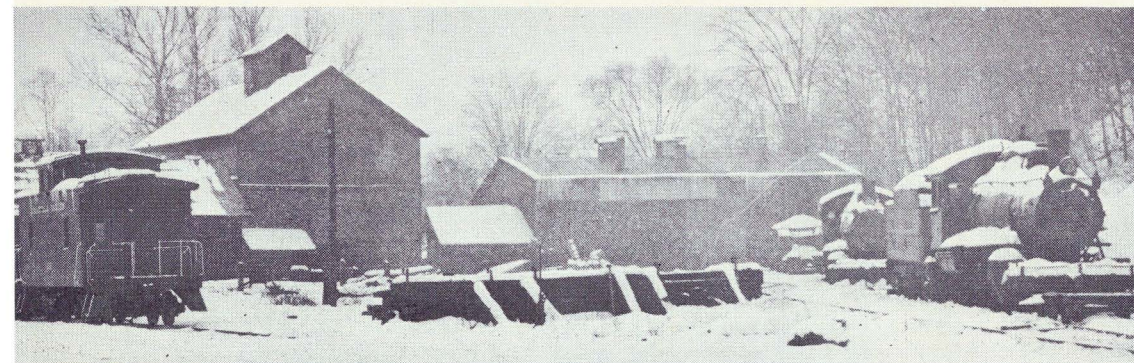
Originally the U. V. was a 19-mile line from New Berlin to Bridgewater, but in 1941 an additional 29 miles was purchased from the O. & W. which extended the line to the Junction. The development of the

road, since 1895, is a cross section of valley history, and throughout the years it has paced the growth and prosperity of the valley.

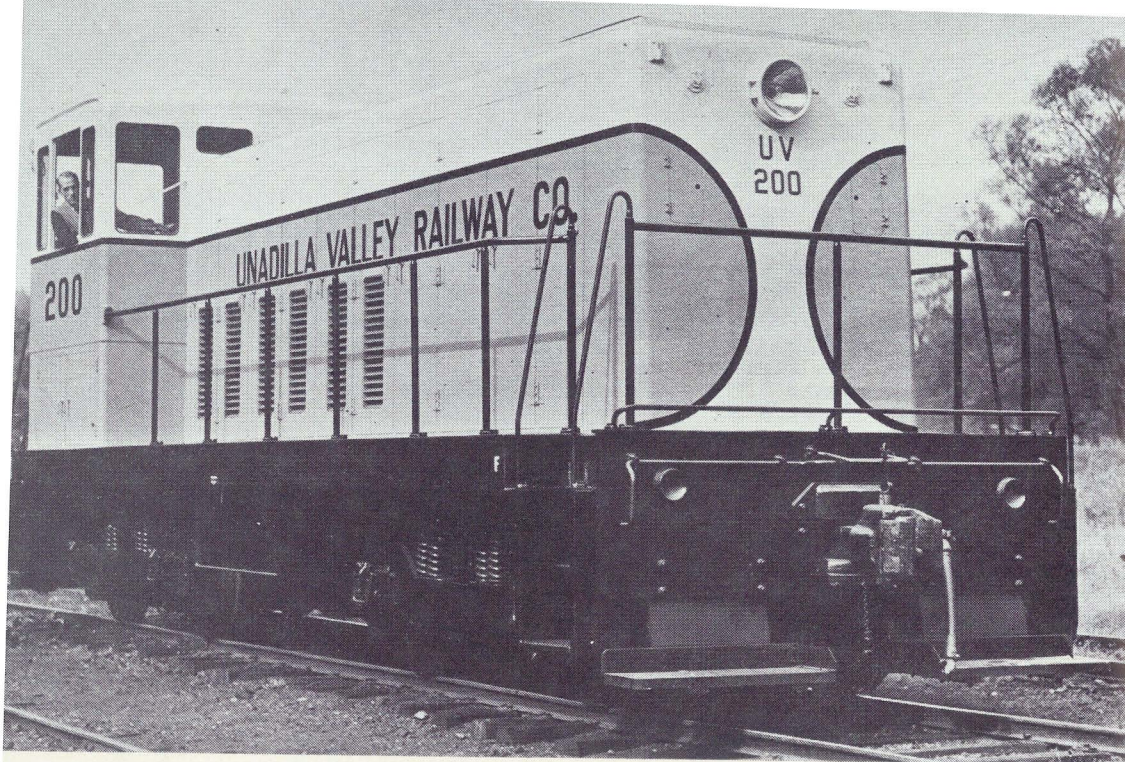
The yellowed pages of an old U. V. scrapbook give vivid accounts of valley history—time-worn accounts of such historic events as the burning of the New Berlin Opera House and the Eagle Hotel, Babcock's fire in Leonardsville and the valley floods of the early 1900s. Hundreds of events, which have long become a part of valley history, in turn have shared a part in the making of the railroad.

The U. V. never expects to grow too big, but nevertheless it intends to keep

*Below—The old steamers, formerly used on the road, have been replaced by Diesels. These two will be used as work engines. They wait patiently under a new blanket of snow.*







Above—Close-up of Scintilla equipped Diesel, in use on the U. V.

## Shortline Railroad *(from Page 5)*

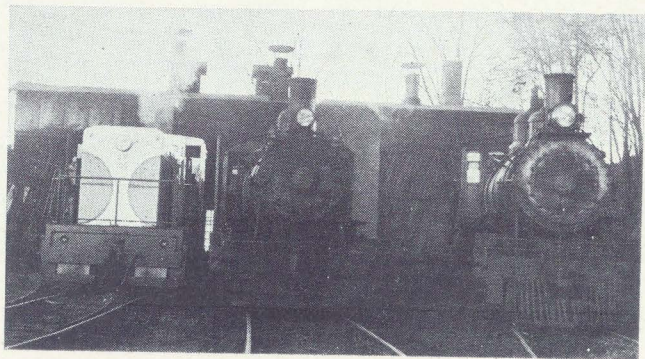
in step with progress, bringing the best service possible to the valley. Its latest additions include two new Diesels, equipped with Scintilla's Diesel Fuel Injection Equipment.

Scintilla employees, who have occasion to use Route 8 as a byway in the future, will have just cause to feel proud that they too have contributed to the progress of a railroad that was fashioned according to the best traditions of American railroading, for Scintilla's Diesel Fuel

Injection Equipment has returned home—to ride the rails of the Unadilla Valley.

Officials of the Unadilla Valley Railway include Murray Salzberg, President and Treasurer; Morris H. Snerson, Vice-President and General Manager; M. P. Gross, Secretary; L. L. Schomo, Superintendent of Motive Power and Equipment; R. T. Reidenbach, Superintendent; P. R. Stillman, Chief Train Dispatcher; Andrew Eddy, Supervisor of Maintenance of Way; and Joseph Graham, General Round House Foreman.

Below—The Old and the New. Photo courtesy of Jos. Graham.





## DON'T GAMBLE IN '48

Every careless act committed by you or your associates on the job may mean a lost-time accident. You may be the victim, or the fellow who works beside you may be the unlucky one. You yourself could escape the consequences of carelessness on your part, but the fellow working next to you might be the one to suffer.

There's no justice in the distribution of accidents . . . the guilty party sometimes escapes without a scratch, while the guy next to him goes to the hospital because of his fellow worker's carelessness or ignorance. So even if you don't care about your own neck, remember that your associates may place a high value on theirs! And no matter how deeply you regret being the cause of an accident, your remorse can neither ease the pain of an injury, nor can it repay income lost due to inability to work.

If each Scintilla worker could somehow rid himself or herself of the cock-eyed idea that accidents are misfortunes that happen only to the other fellow, our lost-time accidents could be reduced to zero this year.

This carefree frame of mind is the greatest obstacle to safe working in virtually every business and industry . . . and it holds true outside the plant too.

"Isn't that terrible!" we remark when we read of a particularly gruesome accident that snuffs out several lives in a few seconds. Yes, accidents like that are terrible. But it's quite probable that those who died in the accident had considered themselves immune to the Grim Reaper . . . that such things happen only to unknown persons who are merely a statistic in a newspaper article. But we have it proved for us every day that it takes only a simple little act of carelessness to change us from a living human to a statistic in the records of the deceased.

Our total of 60 Lost-Time accidents for 1947 was an improvement over the 1946 total of 75. But neither you nor the management of this Division can be satisfied until Lost-Time accidents disappear entirely from our safety reports. Such a goal is at least worth a try.

Scintilla workers are well protected by safety devices of every conceivable nature. But even the best mechanical pro-

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# IN MEMORIAM



Arthur B. Greene

Arthur B. Greene, veteran employee of the Tool Room, died early Friday morning, January 16th, at the Sidney Hospital following an illness of several months. He had worked at Scintilla almost 14 years.

Surviving are his wife, Dorothy Lee Greene, and five children, ages 4 to 12. Masonic services were held at Carr and Landers Chapel on January 17th, and the funeral was held Sunday, January 18th, at the Methodist Church with the Rev. Robert P. Kellerman officiating. The body was placed in the vault of Prospect Hill Cemetery awaiting burial in the spring at White Store.

He was a member of Freedom Lodge 324, F. & A. M., Unadilla.

## DON'T GAMBLE (from Page 7)

tection cannot prevent injuries if you lack interest in your own welfare. In the final analysis, the best safety device is located just above the ears. Use it!

Don't gamble with your life . . . take safety seriously in 1948.

# ||| Your Job |||

Author Unknown

Wherever you're working, in office or shop,  
And however far you may be from the top,  
And though you may think you're just  
treading the mill,

Don't ever belittle the job that you fill;  
For however little your job may appear,  
You're just as important as some little gear  
That meshes with others in some big  
machine,

That helps keep it going, though never is  
seen.

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They could do without you, we'll have to  
admit,  
But business keeps on when the big fellows  
quit!

So if it's your hope to stay off the shelf,  
Think more of your job than you do of  
yourself.

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Your job is important don't think it is not,  
So try hard to give it the best that you've  
got!

And don't ever think you're of little  
account,

Remember you're a part of the total  
amount.

If they didn't need you, you wouldn't be  
there,

So, always my lad, keep your chin in the  
air.

A digger of ditches, mechanic or clerk—  
Think Well of Your Company, Yourself,  
and Your Work!

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"I thought that fellow was a little too suave,"  
a hotel clerk complained to the manager after  
telling him about a guest who had left without  
paying his bill.

"Well, I'll send a letter along to the address he  
left," the manager said, "but I don't suppose we  
will get an answer."

The note the manager sent was brief: "Will  
you please send us the amount of your bill," it  
read.

To the manager's surprise he received a reply  
in a few days. "My dear sir," it read, "the  
amount of my bill is fifty dollars, but I should  
think you people would keep track of those things."





# Scintilla Old Timers Hold

*First*



## Annual Dinner

First Annual Dinner of the Scintilla Old Timers Club was observed Thursday evening, January 15th, by approximately fifty members and guests. Held at the Scintilla Cafeteria, the dinner was presided over by Robert Snowdon who served as Toastmaster for the evening. R. P. Lansing, Vice-President and Group Executive of the Bendix Aviation Corporation, and Marvin A. Heidt, Vice-President in charge of Industrial Relations, were present at the dinner and spoke briefly to the assembled group. Dinner music was furnished by the Sidney Central School String Ensemble, and colored slides of Switzerland were shown by Herman Winkler.

Following the dinner, Mr. Snowdon introduced Mr. G. E. Steiner, General Manager, who offered his congratulations to the Scintilla Old Timers. Text of Mr. Steiner's address follows:

"I am indeed sorry that Mr. Hanni is unable to be here tonight as I know he would have enjoyed being with all of us. I wish to offer my sincere congratulations to all of you who have been with us twenty years or more. It is a real pleasure to see so many when you realize that twenty years ago the employment of this Division was less than 175, and, for those who have been with us twenty-five years or more, the employment in 1922 was just a handful.

"Your loyalty during all the years, which years at times have been extremely erratic and trying, has helped this Division to attain a foremost position in the ignition field.

"As I have previously mentioned at a similar occasion, our sights early in 1946 were set extremely high for real production during the year 1947—both as to volume and, of course, employment. But this at times has been very disappointing due to many factors such as the small aircraft industry going from a high production pitch to practically no sign of business at all, many strikes and items hard to get during that year—all these reduced our shipments to customers to a very marked extent.

"Nevertheless, we have tried to obtain as much subcontracting work as we could

economically handle to maintain as high an employment level as we possibly could.

"We expect the year 1948, as far as we can forecast at this time, to be much better than the year just past. We are at this time working on new products that we expect to release as soon as they have passed the tests satisfactorily. Also, until production of our own products has attained a much larger volume, you can rest assured that we will do all we possibly can to obtain work outside commensurate with our facilities and our ability to produce such subcontracting work in competition with others.

"We sincerely hope that the negotiations now under way with the Union will be terminated on or before the expiration date of our present contract in order that we will have knowledge to enable us to proceed with business in a normal way and also that we will know, further, how to proceed with the handling of business on which we may be fortunate enough to have a chance to bid.

"You can rest assured that we are doing all we possibly can to maintain a very high employment level as, frankly, it is not to the liking of anyone at any time to have to lay off even one man due to lack of work, and so I would like to emphasize to all of you, disregarding whether you work in the office or in the shop, that we believe we are doing our utmost for the welfare of our employees, asking you to remember that we are sub-

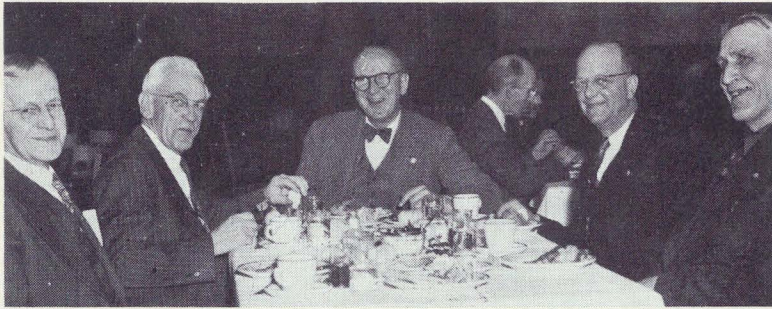
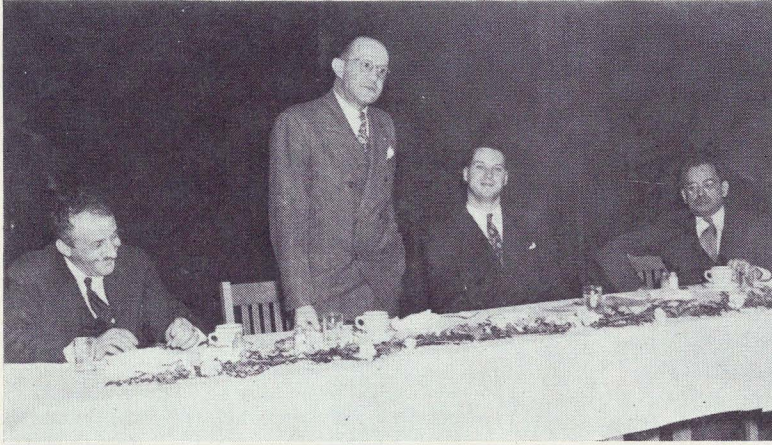
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# SCINTILLA OLD TIMERS AT FIRE

Below—Marvin A. Heidt, Vice-President of Bendix, addresses Old Timers. L. to r.—Mr. Steiner, Mr. Heidt, Mr. Snowdon and R. P. Lansing, Vice-President and Group Executive.

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George Steiner, Genera  
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Melvin Chestney, Assi  
Corporation.

Augustus Asplund,  
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# FIRST DINNER

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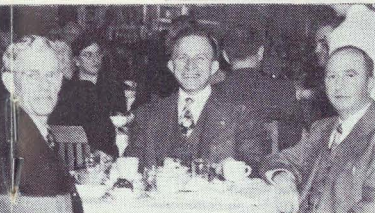
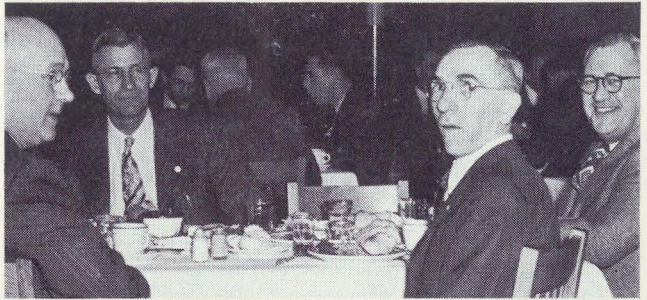
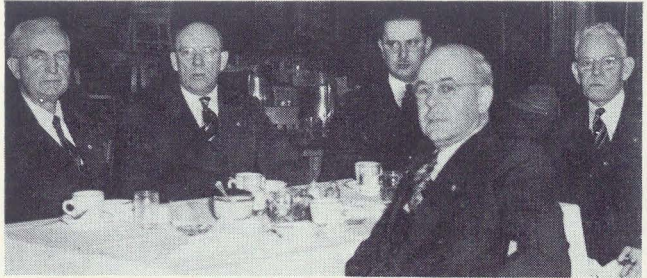
brief but, as we have other speakers, at this time and reiterate my thanks for loyal and faithful service." Membership in the Scintilla Old Timers service of 20 years or more. Present the following:

Consultant to Management (25 years); Advertising Manager (25 years); General Manager; E. M. VanName, Staff General Manager; Walter Spengler, Executive Trees, Service Manager; and Assistant Secretary, Bendix Aviation

and, Roland Barratt, James Belden, Chase, Verne Cornell, Ralph Cumber, Harold Dodge, Glenn Fical, Robert Le.

Walter Hediger, Erling Hellan, Al Herzog, Edward Jacobson, Everett Laugh, Edward Kruger, Grace Kuen, McGregor, George Marnell.

Claude Murphy, Frank Norman, Harold Payne, Rene Pittet, Claude Porter, Eld Seely, William Topping, Geraldson, Sr., Mary Weeks, Lewis Wilber, Bernard Wyss.





## Old Timer Sidelights      Scintilla Gun Club Elects

Harry and Claude Porter, father and son combination, took a bow at the request of Bob Snowdon, Toastmaster. Both Harry and Claude have been with Scintilla 20 years. Something Scintilla can be proud of.

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Dinner music was furnished by the Sidney Central School String Ensemble under the direction of Charles Clark. Members include Gwen Payne, Marilyn Jordan, Jean Barnes, Joyce Barnes, Barbara Henderson, Sylvia Flynn and Jean Kellerman. Sidney has reason to feel proud of its local talent, for the Ensemble is a group of fine young musicians.

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The speakers' table was set off by a large, velvet curtain which was used as a backdrop. The curtain was loaned to Scintilla by the First Congregational Church. Another example of the excellent cooperation which exists between Scintilla and local organizations.

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Frank Knight and his cafeteria staff, as always, were at their best. The girls appeared in spic and span white with a dainty, lace-edged hanky pinned to the left pocket.

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The ladies left early to fulfill other obligations. They left immediately following the dinner to the accompaniment of "Good-night Ladies" led by "Doc" Barratt.

The annual dinner meeting of Scintilla Gun Club, Inc., was held Friday evening, January 16th, at Rock Inn. The following officers were elected: A. Hoegger, president; Louis Parent, vice-president; Ed. Doi, secretary; and Merle Ihrie, treasurer. Warren Kishbaugh was elected governor for three years.

Guests included Judge and Mrs. Arthur F. Curtis of Delaware County, and Sheriff and Mrs. A. E. Page.

The boss reached the climax of his campaign to keep the office clean. He spied a smouldering cigarette butt near a chair of one of the workers and demanded if it was his. "No," said the worker, "you may have it."

Place cards for the dinner were lettered by Wendell Bachman. The borders were trimmed with gold.

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Bendix President Ferguson wired his regrets at not being present on the occasion of Scintilla's First Old Timers Dinner. The Corporation was represented by Vice-Presidents R. P. Lansing and Marvin A. Heidt, who held places at the speakers' table with Mr. Steiner and Mr. Snowden.

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Colored slides of Switzerland concluded the evening's program. Taken by Herman Winkler last summer, the slides received considerable comment from members of the group. Mr. Winkler gave a brief commentary with each slide.



Frank Knight and his cafeteria staff posed for this photo on the night of the Old Timers Dinner.



## Candidly Yours

### THE QUESTION

*In your opinion, what is the best method of fighting inflation?*



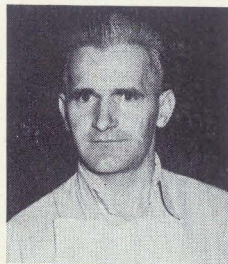
Betty Pike, Dept. 80: "I believe in not buying anything unless it is absolutely necessary. In that way prices are more likely to stay down instead of climbing."



Fred Wuthrich, Dept. 34: "I would say that more effort to increase production would eliminate shortages and help bring prices down."



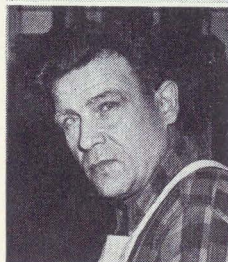
Edna Waldron, Dept. 47: "My idea is to buy as little as possible and for everyone to increase production so that more goods will get onto the market. I think competition has a lot to do with prices."



Edward Andrews, Dept. 40: "I believe one of the best things we can do is to not buy anything unless it is necessary."



Gladys Grimaldi, Dept. 47: "Well, I suppose high prices start at the beginning — where the product is made. Until food prices come down other prices will also remain high. People can get along without buying other things until the price comes down, but food is a necessity."



R. G. Neidig, Dept. 99: "Put \$6.25 into a U. S. Savings Bond each week. Of course, price controls would help at this time."

## ... Mike Says His Prayers ...

Like all good, little dogs, Mike says his prayers each night before going to bed ... especially if it means receiving a chocolate as a reward. Mike's favorite photographer is a member of the Service Dept.—Howard Wood, his master.







# Scintilla . . .

## five centuries from now

Startling developments in the fields of science and industry during the past few decades have left the average layman far behind in a maze of atomic double-talk. But you haven't heard anything yet. The future holds unlimited possibilities, many of which will have a direct effect on Scintilla within the next few centuries. Most of us will still be around, for longevity pills are only an era or two away. We'll be taking them morning, noon and night with special, vitaminized coffee beans. Then, when you consider the fact that the life expectancy of an adult will be increased to 500 years, nothing seems strange anymore. A lot of room is left for conjecturing about such strange possibilities as:

Cloverleaf intersections at the entrance and exit of Scintilla's parking lot. Of course, most of the parking will be done underground to allow room for the employee-owned helicopters. Those of us who live in the new, space-suspended homes above the earth's surface will follow the moonbeam highway each morning on our way to the plant. Space-suspended homes are definitely scheduled for the future . . . new principle based on the theory of anti-gravitation.

By then F.O.B. Detroit will have developed a car with a center of gravity so low that it actually travels beneath the ground. This will eliminate a lot of surface traffic which will then consist mainly of jet propelled kiddie cars . . . just like Daddy's big one.

Scintilla will be using canned sunlight for its plant lighting after dark, and all

power will come from a power plant no larger than an ordinary pea. To guard against possible loss, the Supervisor of Power Plants and Equipment will carry the power plant on his person at all times.

All plant heating will come from self contained heating units within the walls, and drinking fountains will pour forth chocolate malteds. The time clocks will automatically figure out your pay and dispatch your pay envelope at the end of the week. Typewriters will type without making mistakes, desks will clean and dust their tops, and swivel chairs will swivel by electricity.

We could go on with our Utopian nightmare, but we feel that it is better to leave the rest to your imagination. And, if you think this sounds crazy, just remember that people once laughed at Fulton's steamboat.

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### Department 99

Arlene Milk was one of the models at the last meeting of the Scintilla Camera Club . . . We are glad to hear that Bob Courtney is up and about . . . Thelma Horton has a new, solid black kitten—no name. Are there any suggestions? . . . Ada Jones says that 2:00 o'clock is too late to start for Binghamton on New Year's Eve . . . Cliff Pratt's latest hobby is in following his wife's basketball team.

—Bob Stafford

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A visitor from the sticks went into the Stork Club and asked if they had a regular two dollar dinner. "Sure," said the waiter. "Do you want it on white or rye?"

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### New Year Resolutions

All those New Year resolutions,

That were made with righteous awe,  
How they melt just like a snowbank

In a February thaw.

Like the guy with good intentions,

Who vowed he'd smoke no more,  
Now smokes an old corn cob pipe

Behind the henhouse door.

—F. C. McNutt, Inspection



## Scintilla Quiz

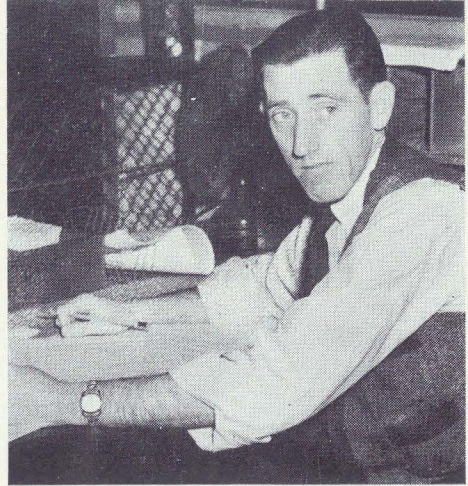


1. When was the Bendix Aviation Corporation formed?
2. How many Divisions has the Bendix Aviation Corporation (excluding subsidiaries and affiliates)?
3. How many awards have been made under the Suggestion System at Scintilla? What was the highest award?
4. How many employees have received organized training on company time since the establishment of the Training Department?
5. How does Scintilla's present straight time hourly earned rate compare with that of 1941?
6. What is the average number of gallons of water used by Scintilla weekly?
7. Where does Scintilla obtain water for drinking purposes and for manufacturing operations?
8. How many machine tools does Scintilla have in use?
9. What is the average amount of fuel oil used by Scintilla per month for non-heating purposes?

### ANSWERS

1. 1929
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3. 565  
\$415.00
4. Well over 7,000
5. It has increased 149 per cent, or approximately  $2\frac{1}{2}$  times.
6.  $2\frac{1}{4}$  million gallons
7. From a deep well by its own pumping system
8. 1,175
9. 5,000 gallons

## Meet Your Foremen



*Norman R. Love*

Norman R. Love, Foreman of Shop Clerks, is a native of Paterson, N. J., where he was born in 1909. He attended the Paterson public schools, graduating from Paterson High School in 1927.

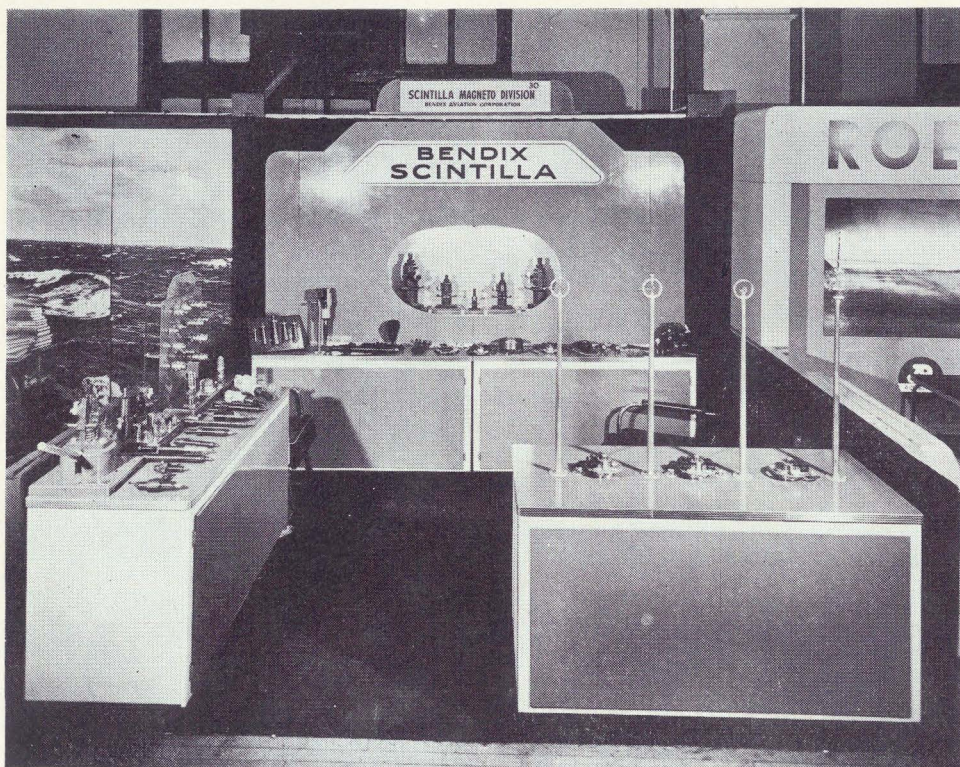
After graduation, Norm worked in a New York textile design plant as an apprentice for two years. He then packed his bags for California, moving to Pasadena where he remained six years.

While he was in California, Norm divided his time between working in the oil fields and a laundry. In the laundry he had charge of 300 girls, most of whom were Mexican. Consequently Norm picked up a bit of Spanish before moving on to Sidney in 1934.

He worked in a Sidney silk mill for two years and in January, 1936, he became a Scintilla employee. His duties since then have varied considerably. Formerly a trucker, stock chaser and shop clerk, he was appointed Foreman in 1941.

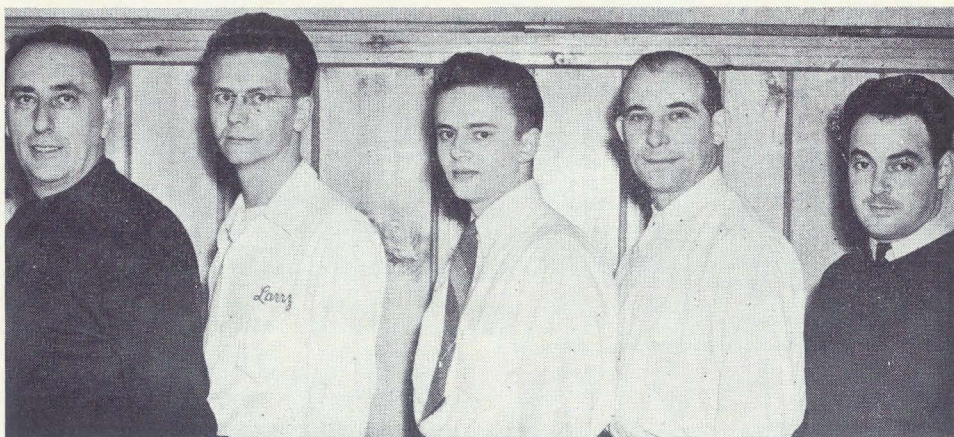
Norm is married and owns his home in Sidney. He lists hunting, model airplane building and reading as his main likes.





Above—Scintilla's booth at the Motor Boat Show which was held early this month in New York.

Pictured below are winners in the City Association Tournament which was bowled on the 20th Century Alleys Dec. 22nd to Jan. 4th. Left to right—George Darrin, high single game—273; Larry St. John and John Hulbert, high two man—1,234; Charley Glenn, high three games—735; and Joe Torino, high all event—1,924.





# Trade Winds...



Pictured above, E. E. Chapman of Dallas, Texas was a January visitor here. Mr. Chapman, who is Assistant Sales Manager of the Southwest Airmotive Company, visited Scintilla this month to obtain information regarding our latest types of magnetos, harnesses and switches. Southwest Airmotive, a distributor of our aircraft ignition equipment, covers a large area in the southwest.

Leonard Mjolsnes and J. T. Lansing, Fuel Injection Engineering, represented Scintilla at the annual meeting of the Society of Automotive Engineers this month. The meeting took place in Detroit, and Scintilla exhibited its Diesel Fuel Ignition Equipment, as well as several ignition products.

T. Tognola and G. W. L'Allemand were in Detroit this month to attend Engineering Committee Meetings which were held in connection with the annual meeting of the Society of Automotive Engineers.

Scintilla's K-magnetos, other ignition products, and Diesel Fuel Injection Equip-

ment were exhibited at the Annual Motor Boat Show in New York City this month. Photo of Scintilla's booth at the show appears elsewhere in this issue.

T. B. Jobling, ground engineer for Hindusthan Airways Ltd., Calcutta, India, is pictured below with Scintilla's Service School Instructor, Don Gray. Mr. Jobling attended the school January 12-16 to obtain information relative to Scintilla's aircraft ignition equipment.



## SALES-SERVICE CHRISTMAS PARTY TERMED SUCCESS

In keeping with the custom of past years, the annual Christmas Party of the Sales and Service Departments was held Friday evening, December 19th, at the Scintilla Gun Club. Approximately 80 employees and their guests attended.

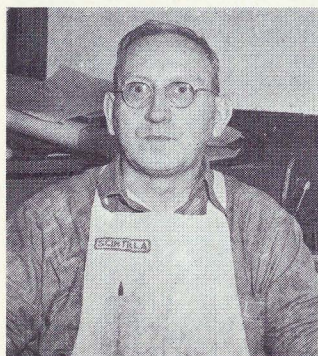
Wreaths and sprays of fragrant Christmas greenery, tied with large red bows, decorated the Club, and a sprig of mistletoe was strategically located over a doorway. Green and red crepe paper provided an effective background for the music of Bill Griggs' Orchestra. A number of special features, which enlivened the evening, included the "Paul Jones," a "balloon" dance and the "Spot" dance.

A door prize of \$10.00 was won by Mrs. Robert Graham and a box of candy was awarded to Mrs. L. W. Trees. Toward the close of the evening, all other activities were abandoned in favor of a buffet lunch which featured turkey and cold sliced ham.

The 1947 Christmas Party, termed by those present an "outstanding success," was the result of weeks of planning on the part of the committee. Members of the committee included H. Carrere, Chairman; K. Gordon, Treasurer; G. Anderson, Secretary; J. Bazata, E. Nelson and F. Rettberg.



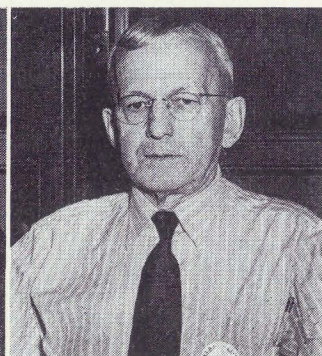
# Scintilla Service Anniversaries



**Edward Kruger**  
20 Years  
Department 29



**Wm. L. Topping**  
20 Years  
Department 92



**Walt Meiner**  
20 Years  
Department 12

## Additional 5 and 10 Year Awards for December

### 10 YEARS

Bachman, Wendell	87-72
DeSalvo, Irene	42-5122
Fitzgerald, Marjorie	38-5157
Litz, Milton	31-935

### 5 YEARS

Bailey, Gertrude	38-5014
Beach, Jesse	91-115
Beams, Wendell	11-118
Bennett, Norman	92-141
Campbell, William	87-249
Chamberlain, Arthur	12-273
Cleaveland, Levi Ray	11-301
Coats, Arlie	91-307
Coddington, Richard	7-312
Cox, Earl	38-354

Crumb, Iva	38-5099
Foland, Richard M.	90-578
Gibbs, Clare	92-616
Hall, Everett	28-679
Henderson, Ralph	28-724
Hill, Mary	95-5218
Kirkland, Dorothy	6-5272
Kolfrat, Howard	70-876
Lambrecht, Clifford	37-892
Marcellus, Ray	11-1014
Marshall, Rose	38-5316
Murray, Mabel	99-5337
O'Brien, Arthur	41-1132
Smith, John Fred	6-1417
Smith, Ethel	32-5454
Sommer, Charles	35-1433
Wakeman, Mildred	47-5504
Waldron, Edith	35-5505

## Trivia . . .

January, 1948, will be remembered by most Scintillites as a month of snow, rain, slush, ice and more snow. The wind howled, slush turned to ice, and more than one Scintillite froze various parts in the process of adjusting chains and scraping wind shields.

And then there were the Scintillites who experienced a taste of being snowbound at various hard luck spots around the State. Most of them had returned to the fold the Tuesday after Christmas; bragged about the incident.

Ham graced the tables in many a home

throughout the area this Christmas, and popular opinion seemed to be of one accord . . . that Scintilla couldn't have picked a nicer Christmas gift for its employees.

Routes 7 and 8 could double nicely as a washwoman's scrub board at this time of year. Out-of-towners, driving to Scintilla every morning, all agree that this is one instance when staying in a rut seems advisable.

A majority of Scintilla's 371 World War II vets had but one thought in mind New Year's Day—the New York State bonus. Most applications were filled out

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# BARTER COLUMN

**A service for employees of Scintilla Magneto Division, conducted without charge. All advertisements must be signed by the contributor and submitted before the 12th of each month.**

**FOR SALE:** One pair of ridge top hickory skis, 6½ foot with unmounted bindings. Never used. Contact Stanley LeSuer, Tool Design.

**FOR SALE:** Ice skates, four pairs at \$3.50 each. Sizes 7, 8, 9 and 10. Also Argus enlarger for use with Argus model A camera, price \$2.00. Enlarging easel, 16x19, price \$4.00. One 35 mm. developing tank, price \$1.00. James Hanft (6-681), 266 Bird Ave.

**FOR SALE OR TRADE:** 1935 Ford Station Wagon, equipped with sealed beam lights, South Wind gas heater and spotlight. In good condition and has good tires. Dick Stafford (42-1446), Morris. Phone 139.

**FOR SALE:** Hockey Skates, 2 pairs, sizes 10 and 8. Both pairs in good condition, size 10 practically new. May be seen at 24 Sherman Avenue. E. Kirkegaard.

**FOR SALE:** Electrolux Refrigerator, 8½ cubic foot, and Quality gas range. Excellent condition. Kenneth A. Henderson, 18 Avery St. Phone 5479.

**FOR SALE:** Spray gun, compressor and ¼ h.p. motor. Also pipe vise on stand and oil burner with copper coil for kitchen range. Inquire Frank Bard, Tool Room.

**FOR SALE:** .22 cal. Mossberg repeater with telescope and sling. Also FORMACRAFT AIR-COBRA, class B engine, for guide line flying. R. L. Barratt, Jr., Dept. 8, or 79 W. Main Street.

**FOR SALE:** 1928 Buick Sedan, 4 new tires and new battery. In excellent running condition. Priced reasonably. Contact Bob Chantler, Dept. 32, or 23 Smith Street. Phone 6045.

**FOR SALE:** 40 gallon galvanized hot water tank, \$8.00. Gas heater for tank, \$15.00 Used approximately one year, like new. Contact Helen Melbourne, Dept. 41, or 7 Patterson Street.

**FOR SALE:** 54" Cabinet sink. Stainless steel bowl, chromium on brass fittings. New. Will sell for less than purchase price, \$65.00 cash. Herman Strasnicsak, 41 North Main Street, Bainbridge. Phone 4233.

**FOR SALE:** Gleason-Avery Thermostat, complete. Used two years. R. Tanner, Dept. 11, or phone Sidney 5772.

**FOR SALE:** Easy Spindrier washing machine. Milton Litz, Dept. 31.

**FOR SALE:** 1 gate-leg table, mahogany; 1 small drum table and 1 small end table. George Swanson, Phone Sidney 5042.

**FOR SALE:** Ice Skates, Davega "20th Century Deluxe." Hockey type, Good-year stitched. Size 9. S. R. Kent, Ext. 275.

**FOR SALE:** Lady's white tubular skates, size 4. M. Ihrie, Production Lab. or Phone Sidney 3232.

**FOR SALE:** Large oak dresser with mirror. Price \$7.00. H. C. Earl, Photography, or Phone Sidney 5831.

**WANTED:** Second-hand typewriter, standard model. Betty Palmatier, Service Dept.

## Trivia (from Page 18)

and notarized by the 2nd. A large number of photostatic copies of discharge papers were supplied by Scintilla as a service to its World War II veterans.

February should be a good month for the little guy with the bow and arrows. Valentine's Day teams up with Leap Year to make it a real Festival of Hearts. Wonder what Scintilla gal will be the first to pop the question come February 29th.



