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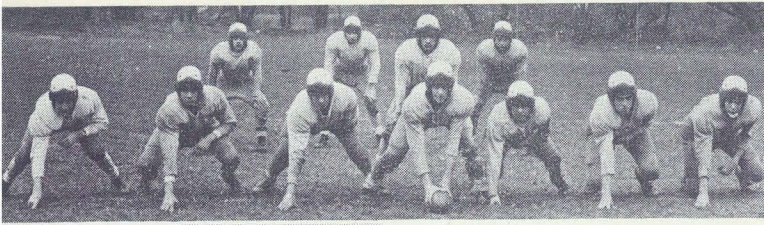
It's Your Business

Election Day comes only once a year. Yet you "vote" many times every day. For, each time you buy a bar of soap or a loaf of bread or a necktie—or anything at all—you cast a "vote" in favor of some product or service over a competing product or service. To win your votes, American manufacturers are kept constantly on the jump to give you better and better goods at lower and lower prices. That's what businessmen call "competition"—and it's the best system ever devised to boost the well-known standard of living.

What happens when any manufacturer tries to skimp on the quality of his products—or boosts prices too high? You know the answer! You simply "vote" for some other manufacturer's products. That's how competition forces the profiteer back into line—or out of business. When a firm grows—thanks to your "votes"—it produces and sells more goods. This means it can get along with a smaller profit per unit—and sell at still lower prices. This in turn attracts still more customers. That's how competition works constantly to boost production and reduce prices.

And even part of the profit you "vote" to well-managed firms finds its way back to you in the form of better living. For the reasonable profits of industry pay for research and expansion to develop new products, better products, more jobs—and greater security for everyone. Most Americans say they think 10 to 15 cents out of each dollar of sales would be a fair profit for business to make. As a matter of fact, industry averages less than half that much!

Behind the Cover



Our cover photo and the accompanying scenes on this page are intended as a salute to the victors, Coach Harry DeBloom's 1947 Championship Eleven. By scalping Hancock 13 to 0 in the season's finale, the Sidney Central School Warriors rode the crest of victory earlier this month to successfully capture the Susquehanna League Championship.

In saluting the 1947 champions we make no attempt to place credit upon any individual player, for, in our minds, the winning of a ball game takes more than just one man. We do know that Coach DeBloom's team played a brand of football equal to the best in this section.

More than anything else, Sidney's victories on the gridiron this fall have emphasized the value of teamwork—whether on the playing field, in school or on the job. Football is a game which depends upon close cooperation and unselfishness among the team members. Without question the Warriors have demonstrated these qualities, displaying fine sportsmanship at all times. For these reasons we salute Sidney's Warriors, the 1947 Susquehanna League Champions.

Credit must also go to Coach DeBloom's assistants, Prof. Drake and Dr. Manson. Also to the student managers, linesmen, cheer leaders, majorettes, band members and many others who helped make the season a success.



FAGAN HONORED AT TESTIMONIAL DINNER



**Advertising Manager
feted on anniversary of
25th year with Scintilla**

T. Z. Fagan, Advertising Manager, was honored last month at a testimonial dinner on the anniversary of his 25th year of service with Scintilla. Held at the Majors Inn on the evening of October 22nd, the dinner was attended by G. E. Steiner, General Manager; H. Hanni, Consultant to Management; E. M. VanName, Staff Assistant to the General Manager; A. W. DeChard, Sales Manager; L. W. Trees, Service Manager; O. W. Hitchcock, Quality Manager; A. H. Bode, Director of Industrial Relations; W. Michel, Factory Manager; W. J. Spengler, Executive Engineer; and G. C. Cottrell, Comptroller.

Mr. VanName presided over the dinner as toastmaster, introducing Mr. Steiner who called upon Mr. Hanni for presentation of a 25-year Service Award Emblem, inset with a diamond, to the guest of honor. Mr. Hanni is also the wearer of a 25-year service emblem.

During the course of the evening several guests took the opportunity to reminisce of the "old days" at Scintilla. Mr. Spengler recalled the early activities of

the Company in New York when Mr. Fagan was a Scintilla sales representative, and remarked that Mr. Fagan used to carry Scintilla magnetos around in a bag for demonstration to prospective customers. At the conclusion of his talk he placed a bag upon the table, containing, not magnetos, but a unique silver cigarette box inscribed with the signatures of his associates on the cover.

Mr. Fagan became associated with Scintilla in 1922. He served with the U. S. Navy during World War I, and upon release from the Navy in 1920 he joined the Fansteel Products Company of Chicago. Two years later he accepted a position with Scintilla, then located at 225 West 57th Street, New York City. He was assigned to sales and service, later becoming Sales Manager.

In 1925 Scintilla located its factory in Sidney, and Mr. Fagan continued to serve the Company as Sales Manager until two years ago. At that time he was appointed Advertising Manager.

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Below—Silver cigarette box presented to Mr. Fagan. Names of those present were engraved on the cover.



Fagan Honored

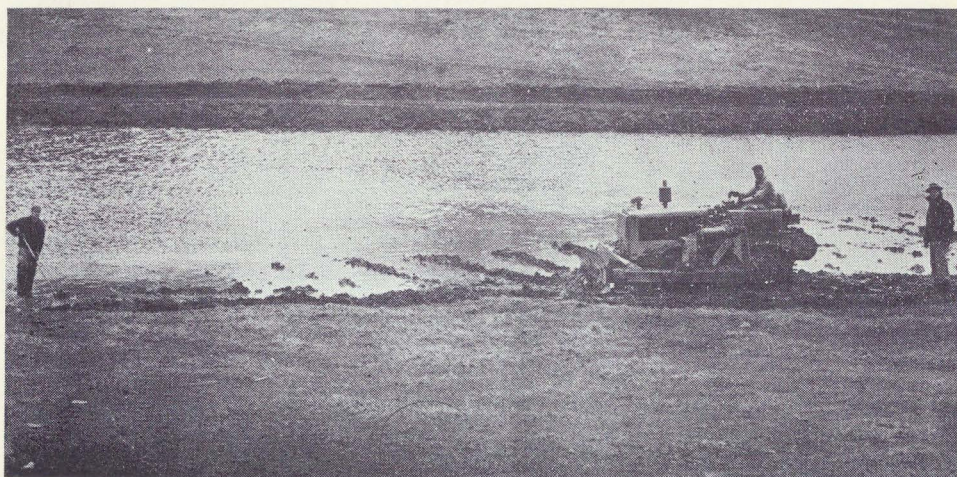
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Below—Scintilla executives are pictured at testimonial dinner honoring Mr. Fagan. Front—Mr. Cottrell, Mr. Hitchcock, Mr. Michel, Mr. Trees, Mr. Bode, Mr. DeChard. Rear—Mr. Spengler, Mr. Fagan, Mr. Van Name and Mr. Steiner.



Above—Mr. Fagan accepts congratulations and 25-year pin from Mr. Hanni.

Workmen begin operations on the pond at the rear of the Clifford Griswold farm, designed to provide Sidney with a first class ice rink this winter. Plans for a snack bar, flood lights and other conveniences have been outlined by Ed Hulse, Director of Recreation.



Candidly Yours

THE QUESTION

In your opinion, how large a part does the human element play in the art of working safely?



Ruth Donaloio, Dept. 80: "I would say that quite a large number of accidents are caused by negligence or carelessness on the part of an individual."



Virginia Storm, Dept. 32: "I think that most accidents are due to carelessness on the part of persons operating machinery. If an operator uses his safety devices and is careful, he shouldn't have any trouble."

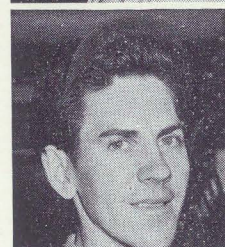


Elizabeth Waters, Personnel: "Negligence and fatigue cause the greater part of most accidents which occur."

Chet Emery, Dept. 99: "In most cases accidents are the fault of the operator. Failure on the part of operators to abide by safety rules, and neglecting safety devices seems to be the main cause."

Keith Wright, Dept. 34: "I would say that probably 90 per cent of all accidents are caused by carelessness on the part of the operator."

Gerald Derrick, Dept. 31: "Nine times out of ten an accident is the operator's fault. I think that if a person thinks before he runs a job—concentrates on the job itself there will be less danger of receiving an injury."



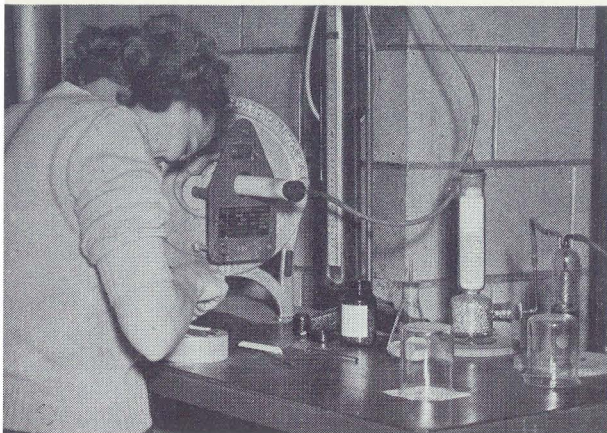
The Human Element



According to an informal survey conducted by the Inquiring Photographer this month, six Scintillites, picked at random throughout the shop and office, are of the unanimous opinion that the majority of all accidents are due to human fault. In other words, most accidents can be traced to negligence or carelessness on the part of some individual.

Even in the case of mechanical failure, causing an accident, the blame usually

can be placed on the human element, for maintenance of a machine is under the control of human hands. Most machinery in industry is equipped with proper safety devices, but the correct use of such devices depends entirely upon the operator. The point which we have attempted to emphasize here is that accidents can be prevented . . . through caution, alertness and education in safety measures.



Flora Jackson conducts a test for carbon.

QUALITY INSURANCE

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**The Materials
Laboratory**
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No matter how you look at it, Scintilla's Materials Laboratory is good insurance . . . not only for Scintilla, but also for Scintilla's customers. Quality has always been a Scintilla byword, and, to a great extent, quality begins in the Materials Lab. Operating under the direction of Floyd Root, Chief Metallurgical Engineer, the lab performs an important function in insuring the quality of materials used in our products. In addition to being an Engineering Materials Laboratory, its primary function, the Materials Lab is quality insurance for Scintilla products. By means of various chemical and physical tests, conducted in the lab, quality of Scintilla products is insured beyond any doubt. All materials must measure up to standard specifications before they are used in manufacturing our products. Because of this, Scintilla's customers are certain of receiving quality products which will measure up to more than is expected of them.

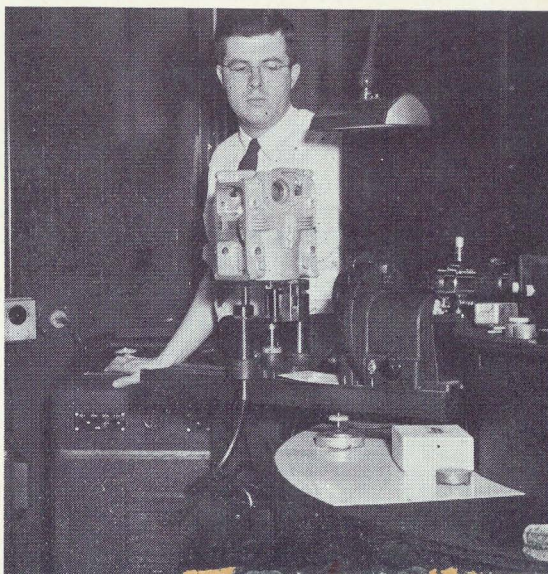
As an example, take the magnesium casting used for the DF18 housing. The specifications, in this particular case, call for a specific alloy of magnesium and aluminum with definite physical properties such as tensile strength and elongation.

The chemical composition of this part may be determined by either wet chemical or by spectrographic means. However, for greater speed and economy, the spectrograph is used exclusively for this type of analysis. For this test a high voltage current is made to jump between the casting and a graphite electrode. The heat of the spark actually causes a minute quantity of the metal to glow to the point of incandescence, and to vaporize.

Composition of certain parts is determined by spectrographic means. At the right, analysis of a housing is being made. Herb Stoddard is pictured observing the operation.

Each of the chemical elements, when heated to incandescence, gives off light of a particular wave length. White light, when put through a prism, will break down into the colors of the rainbow . . .

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Mr. Michel

Mr. Pataki

Mr. Payne

Mr. Van Name

SUGGESTIONS REAP REWARDS

Suggestions reap rewards!

Rudy Pataki, carpenter and cabinet maker in the Maintenance Department, discovered this upon receiving a check in the amount of \$172.50 from Mr. Michel. The award, first to be made since the resumption of the Suggestion System, was presented to Mr. Pataki by Mr. Michel this month in the presence of E. M. VanName, Staff Assistant to the General Manager; and Ken Payne, Maintenance Supervisor.

Mr. Pataki's suggestion concerned the replacing of the plywood protection covering on the Wasp Major High Tension Harnesses 10-31860 and 10-33660 with a covering made of pressed paper. Although these designs have been superseded by the new turret top type of high tension harness, the suggestion is also applicable here. The covers protect the housing side of the distributor block.

Quality Insurance (from Pg. 7)

red color having a long wave length, and purple, a comparatively short wave length, etc.

The light from the casting is made to strike a prism-like material which has the same effect of breaking the light given off into its respective positions. As in the case of a rainbow, the red falls in one position in relation to the other colors. In this case the light from any particular element will always fall into its respective position. A photographic film catches the light, and by measuring the density of a particular line on the film, it is possible to calculate the amount of an element present.

In testing the physical properties of the casting, test bars of a particular size and shape are supplied from the same heat of metal as the castings. The test bars are measured and placed into a tensile testing machine. By knowing how much of a load it takes to break the bar it is possible to compute the tensile strength.

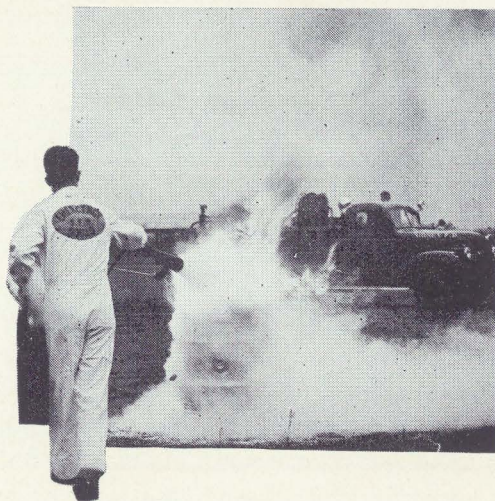
The tests described above are representative of the numerous functions performed by the Materials Lab. Lack of space makes it impossible at this time for us to cover the many other operations included in the lab program.

Assisting Mr. Root are Carl Pomeroy, Herb Stoddard, Don Palmer, Dick Elliot, Flora Jackson, Mert Goldsmith and Doris Jester.

Fire Killer



New type dry chemical fire extinguisher demon- strated at Sidney Airport



Members of the Sidney Fire Department, village officials and representatives from Scintilla last month attended the demonstration of a new type dry chemical fire extinguisher. The demonstration, arranged by Harold J. Purdy of the Plant Equipment Corp., Buffalo, proved the effectiveness of the new type extinguisher in extinguishing Class B fires (oils, greases, solvents and gasoline). Following by almost a month the explosion of a liquid gas which razed the Victory Restaurant, the demonstration aroused considerable interest and comment on the part of the spectators.

The new type extinguisher, which has met the requirements of the Fire Underwriters laboratories, consists of a metal cylinder, meeting the standards of all pressure vessels, with a loading nozzle at one end and a discharge nozzle at the other end. The interior of the extinguisher is filled with a fine, granulated chemical powder, and contains a CO₂ cartridge on the side of the cylinder.

A needle plunger at the top of the cartridge, when pressed into the end of the cartridge, releases the gas through a tube which goes to the bottom of the extinguisher. A pressure of 100 pounds per square inch is created which expels the powder out through the discharge end of the extinguisher. It was noted that the powder, when discharged, forms a shield in front of the operator so that he is pro-

tected from the blaze.

Several types of fires were made especially for the tests, including a propane liquefied petroleum gas fire, a lacquer, thinner and gasoline fire and a spill fire of fuel oil and gasoline which covered an area of 40 square feet. Each of these fires was extinguished with amazing speed. The lacquer, thinner and gasoline fire, covering 26 square feet and producing one of the hottest fires known, was extinguished in seven seconds.

Heywood Broun was once introduced to a lecture audience by an old-fashioned politician, who sang his praises in broken-down cliches for a full twenty minutes. Broun finally arose, smiled and said, "Ladies and gentlemen, now I know how a pancake feels when they pour syrup on it."



Earle L. DuMonte, Champion Motors president, and Cal Johnson, publicity director, with record-breaking endurance motor.

Scintilla

"Motor"

Scintilla after 2

One and one-fourth times around the world with a Scintilla equipped Champion ↓

According to an announcement received from Earle L. DuMonte, president of the Champion Motors Company in Minneapolis, Minn., Scintilla's little giant, the K-magneto, last month had sparked a Champion outboard motor to a new record-breaking endurance run of 4,678 hours and six minutes. Selected at random from the assembly line, the motor began purring last March 26th at 2:30 in the afternoon, and continued to run a full 24 hours each day for more than six months. With the exception of momentary stops for changing spark plugs, the motor ran continuously throughout the entire test. It finally quit on October 8th at 9:30 in the morning.

Running at the approximate speed of 7 m.p.h., the motor traveled an estimated distance of 32,347.2 miles, almost one and one-fourth times around the world. The test definitely demonstrated the reliability of both the Champion motor and the Scintilla K-magneto.

The fact was pointed out that no special devices of any kind were used for mechanical step-up. The motor, a 1947 standard stock model, was set up in a tank of water with a permanent feed line attached, and started on its record-breaking

run . . . a run equal to more than 45 years of normal use.

Commenting on the test, Mr. DuMonte said, "After 13 years of engineering experimenting we have produced an outboard motor that is totally reliable for every normal use and purpose that an outboard could be used for. We believe that an outboard should be built well enough so it will not be necessary for customers to purchase more than one motor in a lifetime. The Champion endurance test proves that our motors should serve several generations."

Scintilla K-Magneto

Sparks

for "Magic Tests"

**a-equipped Champion runs
250 ft. drop from plane↓**



*Above—Scintilla equipped Champion begins
250 ft. drop. See dot about one-half inch be-
low and slightly to right of tail section.*

Below—Retrieved from lake, motor ran perfectly.

The man who handles his outboard motor with the same tender care and devotion a baby usually receives will regard the following news with alarm. On September 25, 1947, a Champion outboard motor, equipped with a Scintilla K-magneto, was dropped from a plane at a height of approximately 250 feet into Lake Johanna. Although dropping Champion motors from planes is not a recommended practice, Pilot Kenneth H. Witzke of Trans-Air, Inc. did just that to prove the rugged durability of Champion motors.

Pilot Witzke accurately bombed a selected spot in Lake Johanna, and the motor was recovered in a somewhat battered condition. The water was poured out of the motor, a dry spark plug put in, and in just eleven minutes the motor was running perfectly in all speeds. No adjustments were necessary on the Scintilla K-magneto. The durability test described

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Our Reporters



Harriet Birdsall

Harriet Birdsall, Scintillator scribe for Dept. 100, doesn't mind burning the midnight oil, but getting up early the following morning is a question of an entirely different nature. However, in spite of her distaste for "early birds" Harriet is quite an "early bird" herself, usually rubbing the sleep out of her eyes at 6:00 o'clock in the morning. "Impossible to be at work on time unless I'm up by then," she explains.

Harriet, a commuter from Oneonta, has worked at Scintilla since January, 1945, and at the present time is secretary to Mr. Hitchcock. She was born in Otego on Valentine's Day, 1924. Graduating from Franklin Central School in 1941, she then attended the Utica School of Commerce where she received the background for her present duties.

A member of Beta Sigma Phi, she likes dancing, music and football games. On Sundays she sings in the choir of the First Methodist Church in Oneonta. Other than getting up early in the morning, her dislikes are "catty" women and extremes in nail polish.

I wish to thank those who sent cards of cheer and visited me at The Hospital. Your words of kindness have been a great help toward my recovery.

Robert Courtney, Inspection

Scintilla Quiz



1. How many square feet of floor space does Scintilla have available at the present time?
2. What was the model designation of the first magneto produced by Scintilla?
3. When did Scintilla locate in Sidney?
4. How many magnetos were produced in Sidney during the first month of operation?
5. How many employees were on the payroll when Scintilla first began operations in Sidney?
6. At the peak of employment how many persons were employed by Scintilla during the war?
7. When did Scintilla become a division of Bendix Aviation Corporation?
8. What type of engines use Scintilla fuel injection equipment?

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"Motor Magic" (from Pg. 11)

above was one of several "Motor Magic" tests conducted by Champion Motors during the past few months. Scintilla K-magnetos, used in the tests, have proven beyond all question that they are capable of withstanding a wide variety of conditions.

IN MEMORIAM



Fate cancelled the presentation of a 20-year Service Emblem Award to Herb Somerville early Friday morning, November 7th. Mr. Somerville, Foreman of the Shipping Department, had completed his twentieth year of service at

Scintilla the day before, and was scheduled to receive his 20-year award at 11:00 o'clock on the morning of his death. He was found dead in his home at 9 Secor Street shortly before 6:30 a.m.

Two weeks prior to his death Mr. Somerville returned to work following a seven weeks' illness, five of which were spent in The Hospital. Death was believed to have been caused by a heart ailment.

A past dictator of Loyal Order of Moose, Sidney, and a member of Club Royal, Walton, he was 60 years old at the time of his death. A son, John Somerville, and two brothers, Robert of Schenevus and Randolph of New York City, survive. Funeral services were conducted by the Rev. Robert P. Kellerman, pastor of the Methodist Church, November 9th, in the Carr and Landers chapel.

Eastern Air Lines Official Visits Scintilla



Mr. Trees

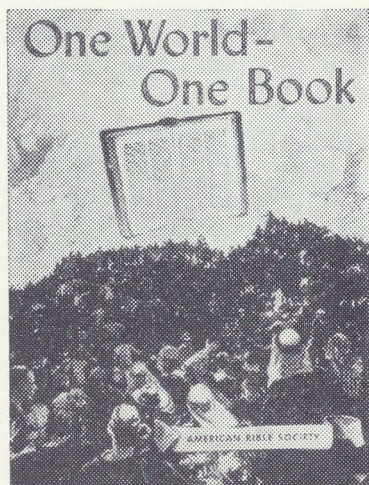
Mr. Ray

J. C. Ray, General Superintendent of Maintenance, Eastern Air Lines, is pictured above with L. W. Trees, Service Manager, during a recent visit at Scintilla. Mr. Ray, one of the oldest employees of Eastern Air Lines, has been with "The Great Silver Fleet" over 19 years.

Mr. Ray's chief interest during his visit concerned our type BD-1 Low Tension ignition, used on R3350-C18BD-1 engines. These engines are installed in the Lockheed Constellation transport planes which Eastern Air Lines is using. Mr. Ray also took the opportunity to observe manufacturing operations.

Pictured below are members of Scintilla's Service Sales Force. The photo was taken during a recent Service Sales meeting at the plant. Left to right—John Adams, San Antonio; Bob Murray, Baltimore; Milt Gilbert, Milwaukee; George Anger, San Francisco; Frank Rettberg, Service Sales Supervisor; Bob McClintock, New York; John Dranek, Kansas City; and W. F. Schultz, Atlanta.





Selection of the theme, "One World—One Book," keynotes the 1947 Worldwide Bible Reading Program of the American Bible Society. The 29-day reading program, sponsored by the Society, is a plan to get people in all parts of the world to read the same Bible selections daily between Thanksgiving and Christmas. The readings selected for the program feature Bible selections which bring out many helpful truths concerning the theme.

The passages selected for worldwide reading are:

Thanksgiving, Nov. 27—Psalm 145

Friday—Psalm 103 "One God"
 Saturday—John 3:1-21 "One Birth"
 Sunday, Nov. 30—John 1:1-18, "One Word"
 Monday—Matt. 5:1-16 .. "One Discipleship"
 Tuesday—Matt. 6:19-34 "One Treasure"
 Wednesday—Psalm 90 "One Dwelling"
 Thursday—John 14:1-21 .. "One Comforter"
 Friday—James 1 "One Wisdom"
 Saturday—Philip 2:1-18 "One Mind"
 Sunday, Dec. 7—John 15:1-17 .. "One Vine"
 Monday—Psalms 91; 121 "One Keeper"
 Tuesday—John 17:1-26 "One Prayer"
 Wednesday—1 Cor. 13 "One Love"
 Thursday—Luke 15:1-10; Rom. 1:16, 17

Friday—Luke 15:11-32 .. "One Purpose"
 Saturday—Acts 17:16-31 "One Redemption"
 Universal Bible Sunday, Dec. 14—

Psalm 119:1-19, v. 89, v. 105 .. "One Book"
 Monday—Psalm 67 "One People"
 Tuesday—John 4:5-30 "One Truth"
 Wednesday—Psalm 19 "One World"
 Thursday—Deut. 5:6-27 "One Law"
 Friday—II Tim. 3:12-4:8 "One Crown"
 Saturday—Rev. 21:1-7 "One Heaven"
 Sunday, Dec. 21—Isa. 53, Matt. 11:28-30

"One Burden Bearer"
 Monday—Luke 1:26-38 "One Son"
 Tuesday—Luke 1:39-56 "One Song"
 Wednesday—Luke 1:57-80, "One Prophecy"
 Christmas, Dec. 25—

Isa. 40:1-5; Luke 2:1-20, 40, "One Saviour"

*What's
Wrong
with
American
Women?*



We always look searchingly at the latest articles on what is wrong with American women. We do this with the hope of trying to learn why it is we are completely satisfied with the character, figures and general appearance of American women, who have been on the receiving end lately of a lot of pot shots from authors and editorialists.

Most of these articles begin with the same premise. America is going to the dogs because women are running the country. This means, of course, that American women are running American men.

We are sorry to say that this trend in America has never annoyed us. Yet the people who write that American mothers are neurotic ogres, set on turning out a grand batch of over-dominated neurotic children—well, frankly these writers look very much like people we know—the postman, the guy who sits next to us at work, the grocer, and the man who comes to read the gas meter.

They all look a little tired perhaps—but noble and happy and kind. Personally, we have no objection to noble and kind people, even finding that it makes for variety in a monotonous world, but sometimes we can't help worrying about these authors who want to sink the hatchet into Mom and the Bobby Soxer next door.

A man, torn between dissecting the mental quirks of a Bobby Soxer and Mrs. Typical American Mom, is apt to be helplessly torn between trying to evaluate what a young woman wants out of life and what an older woman has derived from life.

The whole thing seems very arbitrary to us. Leave the girls alone, brother. Just keep 'em in lipstick and fur coats and they'll be happy. No time to worry either if you have to pay for one.

Picked Up in Passing ...

● **THINGS WE LIKE ABOUT NOVEMBER:** The first snow, covering Sidney and the countryside with a great, white blanket . . . Jack Frost's light, feathery touch upon window pane and roof top . . . the soft purr of car heaters mingled with the delicate sound of falling snow flakes . . . thin crusts of ice forming geometric designs over tiny sidewalk puddles . . . the muted notes of a bugle on Armistice Day and the thought it conveys to a complacent American people . . . a day of Thanksgiving for Americans everywhere . . . scarlet tongues of flame leaping and crawling over a maze of logs in a fireplace . . . the crisp tang of November mornings . . . bits of tinsel and Christmas wrappings beginning to brighten store windows on Main Street . . . the white flash of deer breaking for cover . . . and the tattle-tale paths of passers in the night, etched upon the smooth surface of new snow.

● **THINGS WE DON'T LIKE ABOUT NOVEMBER:** *The wheeze of grinding starters slowly turning stone cold engines . . . the anti-freeze shortage and boiling alcohol . . . ice covering road surfaces, betraying unwary motorists . . . the battle of slipping new chains over rubber . . . and fogged windshields.*

● In running across story ideas for The Scintillator we frequently file odd bits of information away in the corner of our desk blotter. Consequently, at the end of the month, we withdraw numerous little bits of interesting information which have no more meaning to us than the second cousin of a monkey. One of these days we hope to unload the corners of our desk blotter for once and all in favor of a revolutionary filing system which will automatically keep tabs on our story ideas. All this build-up leads us to the point we originally intended to make . . . we always welcome new ideas and suggestions from our readers.

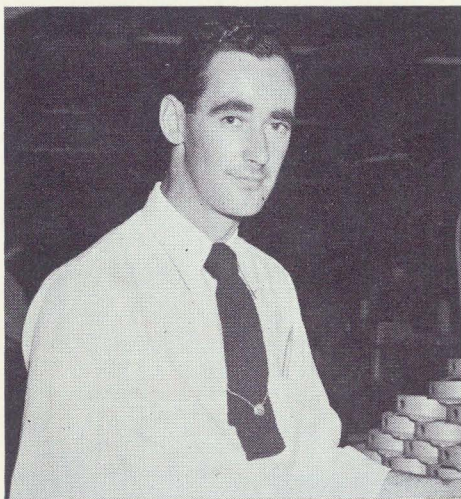
● **PERSONNEL NOTES:** John "Tricks or Treats" Michel was the victim of a group of extortionists on Halloween Day last month. Seems that John came to work with a box of chocolate bars in preparation for the evening's raid of Halloweensters. Various members of the Personnel Office pulled the "tricks or treats" gag, found that it paid off and consequently John found himself supplying the entire office with Hershey bars . . . Bob Snowden was general chairman at the Tenth Southern Tier Industrial Conference last month in Binghamton. Pics ran in both the Press and Sun . . . According to a recent note in one of the local weeklies, Liz Spencer is making her debut in a serious part in the production, "Night Must Fall." Liz has handled comedy quite capably in previous school and community performances . . . Jeanne Diffenderfer is handling Suggestion System details for R. C. Dawson, Suggestion Supervisor.

● **SCOOP FROM DEPT. 100:** The grapevine has really been humming lately . . . seems that Ray Camp is already starting his 1948 election campaign . . . Jake Schroh coming in with a bumped head—understand that the soap got out of control during his early morning shower . . . Dewey and Carkuff are planning their annual hunt—cheer up boys, you won't always miss . . . If those new lily bulbs Paul Carney is constantly bragging about don't grow to rival Nader's strawberries, it won't be from lack of warm air.

● **ENGINEERING:** A "Hard Luck Party" sponsored by the Engineer's Club was held at the Scintilla Gun Club on Halloween Night. Gil Knudson and wife took door prizes, receiving the largest pumpkins. Mrs. Ken Henderson and Mrs. R. Bernhard took second prize with a mixed man and woman costume. John Michel received third prize and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sabraw took fourth. Sixty-five couples were present.

● We always run across at least one good story during deer season, and this one concerns Norm Meagley, Scintillator Photographer, way down deep in Rip Van Winkle country. Apparently not satisfied with the progress of the hunt, Norm proceeded to build a fire, toast his feet and rummage through the pages of a magazine. What was the title of the article, Norm . . . "How to Hunt Deer"? Incidentally, R. C. Dawson, a member of the same party, was successful in bringing down a 7-pointer.

Meet Your Foremen



Carl Rutherford

Carl Rutherford, our Foreman of the Month, was born in Walton in 1913. He attended the Walton schools, graduating from Walton High School in 1931. After graduation he went to work in a garage as a mechanic.

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M. L. Chestney, Ass't. Secretary of Bendix Aviation Corporation, who completed his 20th year of service at Scintilla on October 30th, received his 20-year emblem from Mr. Steiner on that date.



SPOTLIGHTING

Among Folks in



George Anger, photo at left, is a newcomer to the Scintilla Service Sales force. Mr. Anger, who will be Scintilla's Western States Representative, joined the Company in October. He comes to us with a broad background of service sales experience.

Insofar as we have been able to determine, Don Palmer, Materials Lab, is the only Scintillite ever to be married in Howe Caverns. The bridal party is pictured (at right) at the bridal altar,

PERSONALITIES

the Scintilla Family

Meet Your Supervisors



Harold Baker

↑ standing on the Heart of Love. Don and his wife were the 26th couple to be married in the Caverns. Virginia Larrabee and Franklin Hall (now Mr. and Mrs.) were part of the bridal party way back in 1941.

Born January 7, 1913, on a farm between Franklin and Franklin Depot, Harold Baker, Supervisor of Raw and Finished Stores, received his early schooling in Sidney Center.

Completing his education in Sidney, he

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E. M. VanName recently presented softball emblems to the 1947 Softball League Champions. Co-captains Lou Wyss and Matt Plankenhorn accepted the championship emblems on behalf of their team mates, the Mirabito Bombers.

Sidney Veterans Observe Armistice Day

Sidney posts of the American Legion, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, and their Auxiliaries observed Armistice Day, November 11th, with appropriate ceremony at the War Memorial. A small crowd gathered at 11:00 o'clock to witness the service, but damp, chilly weather kept most residents in their homes.

The invocation, given by Theodore Elliott, chaplain of the American Legion, was followed by a brief address on the part of Rev. Rollin D. Malany, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church. Louie DeSalvo, sergeant-at-arms, was in charge of arrangements.



Smile Awhile

Ever hear tell of the Scotchman who went behind the barn the night before Christmas, fired a shot, and then told his children that Santa Claus had committed suicide?

When Ezra got back to the farm he swore he was through with New York City for life. "I'm crossing the street and minding my own business," he told his cronies, "when a varmint comes lickety split around the corner on two wheels and knocks me flat. Do you think he apologized? No siree! He leans out and hollers, 'Hey, Pop, as long as you're down there, how about checking my oil?'"

A woman was screaming wildly for the police. "Help! Help! Help! Hurry! Hurry! I've been robbed. Somebody has broken into my house. I've been robbed!"

The officer was a block away picking out a few cigars for free at the local grocery store. Finally he decided to investigate. "Say," he said to the lady. "This is really serious. This window is busted on both sides."

An editor of a famous magazine once turned down a short story by a famous woman writer, and she was pretty irked about it. She spied him at a cocktail party a few days later and began making a series of derogatory remarks. The editor grinned knowingly and at a moment when everybody was listening, he remarked, "Don't look now, my dear, but your rejection slip is showing."

Mrs. Smith looked reprovingly at her maid. "Mary," she said in a school teacherish manner, "I saw the milkman hug you when he delivered the milk this morning. Hereafter, I will take the milk from him."

"Taint no use, mum," said Mary, "he's all mine."

Jeeves, the Butler, was interrogating the new maid to find out the "Mahster's" reaction to a very excellent brand of bourbon he had served the night before.

"What did he do?" Jeeves asked. "Did he smack his lips?"

"No," said the maid. "He smacked mine."

BARTER COLUMN

FOR RENT: Garage at 16 Sherman Avenue. About 4 minutes walk to Scintilla. Inquire Walter Benedict, 34-138.

FOR SALE: John Deere tractor, Model A. Two years old. Inquire Edna Sargent, 38-5428.

FOR SALE: 400 feet 6" cedar siding, beveled. Inquire A. Schroder, 30-1343.

FOR SALE: Woman's jodhpur boots, size 4. Price \$3.00. William P. Stevens, 10 Pearl St., East or Phone Sidney 5643.

FOR SALE: Two-man cross cut saw, 4½ foot. Price \$3.00. Also 50 pounds of pure Italian mattress wool, clean. Price \$15.00. Inquire A. Catelli, 92-269.

FOR SALE: Large size baby carriage, in good condition. Reasonably priced. Also boy's blue snow suit, size 1, 19 Grand Street.

FOR SALE: Ladies' ice skates, black shoes with figure blades, size 5. Price \$5.00. Inquire A. Catelli, 92-269.

FOR SALE: Five-section hot water radiator, 17" high and 30" long. Would

trade for ½ horsepower electric motor, and make up the difference. Rudy Pataki, 1 Secor Street or call Sidney 3253.

FOUND: Gold plated "Swank" tie clasp with initials H. C. Found at Hotel Bishop in Unadilla. Owner may contact E. VerValin, Sales Dept.

FOR SALE: Man's pocket watch, 18 karat yellow gold, Swiss made. Inquire R. Bernhard, 34-150, night shift.

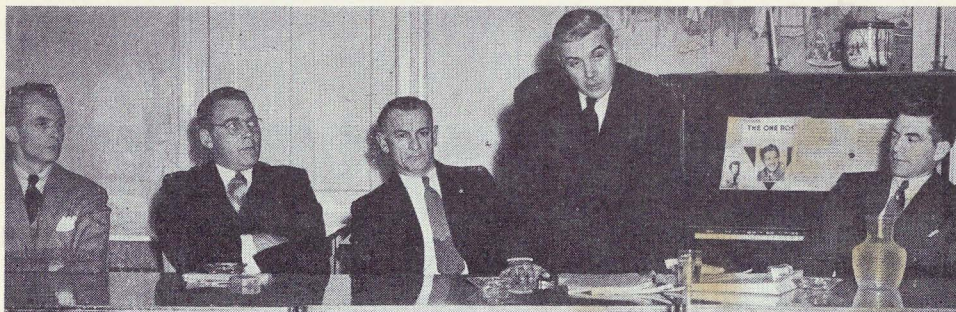
FOR SALE: International tailor made Tuxedo suit, size 39 or 40. Used approximately four times. Dress shirt and collars, size 15½, included. Contact Tom Gill, 67 Beal Blvd.

FOR SALE: Diston power saw for falling trees. Almost new. Price \$550.00. Gerald Root, Dept. 28, or Phone Oxford 45W.

FOR SALE: Prosperity gas range, 4 burners, oven, broiler and utility drawer. Also gas hot water heater, 20 gal. capacity. John Bagley, Sidney Center, Dept. 28.

FOR SALE: Furnace blower and thermostat. R. B. Whitfield, Dept. 88, or Phone Sidney 5501.

Mr. Dugald Black, Assistant to the Vice President in charge of Industrial Relations, Bendix Aviation Corporation, is pictured speaking before the Scintilla Foremen's Forum at a recent meeting. Left to right—B. K. Wingenter, A. H. Bode, Art Cummm, Mr. Black and Doug Davidson.



Freedom

Freedom is a man lifting a gate latch at dusk and sitting for awhile on the porch smoking his pipe before he goes to bed.

It is the violence of an argument outside an election poll. It is the righteous anger of the pulpits.

It is the warm laughter of a girl on a park bench.

It is the rush of a train over the continent and the unafraid faces of people looking out the windows.

It is all the "howdys" in the world and all the "hellos."

It is the press telling the President how to raise his children; it is the President letting them raise themselves.

It is you trying to remember the words of the "Star Spangled Banner."

It is the sea breaking on wide sands somewhere and the shoulder of a mountain supporting the sky.

It is the air with which you fill your lungs and the dirt that is your garden.

It is a man cursing all cops.

It is the absence of apprehension at the sound of approaching footsteps outside your closed door.

It is your hot resentment of intrigue, the tilt of your chin and the occasional tightening of your lips.

It is all the things you do and want to keep on doing.

It is all the things you feel and cannot help feeling.

—Author unknown.

Baker (from Page 17)

came to Scintilla on September 6, 1928, where he started work in the blue print department. In 1943 Harold was placed in charge of spare parts inspection and in 1945 he was appointed Supervisor of Raw and Finished Stores and assistant to Mr. Smart in the Production Planning Department.

Married, with three children, all girls, Harold lives in Sidney. A 1st Lt. in the Phelps Hose Co., Sidney Fire Dept., and a member of the Norwich Elks, he lists bowling and gardening as his main hobbies. He also likes to see a good football game.

ANSWERS TO QUIZ

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| 1. 420,000 | 4. 10 | 7. 1939 |
| 2. VAG 9D | 5. 15 | 8. Diesel |
| 3. 1925 | 6. 8,600 | |

Rutherford (from Page 16)

After three years in the garage business Carl decided that he needed a change. As a result he went to work for a construction company where he worked for a year and a half. He came to Scintilla in 1936, and in 1939 was appointed foreman in the Assembly Department. During the war he was made night supervisor, a position he held until after V-J Day. However, with the resumption of peacetime activities he went back to his former duties as foreman of Dept. 42.

Carl resides with his wife and 3½ year old daughter in Unadilla. A member of the Masons and Zor Grotto, he lists fishing, hunting and boating as his main sports interests. He also likes to work on his car, and in the winter he indulges in ice fishing.