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# CLOW NEWS

MARCH 1952

## Look out—here comes a shortstop!

Each year many children are killed because they thoughtlessly follow bouncing balls into streets. So watch out for a bouncing ball—a young shortstop may be racing after it. Slow down near schools, playgrounds, and in residential areas.

**Be careful—the child you save may be your own!**



*Thomas Coker*



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# The Clow News

FOR AND BY THE EMPLOYEES OF

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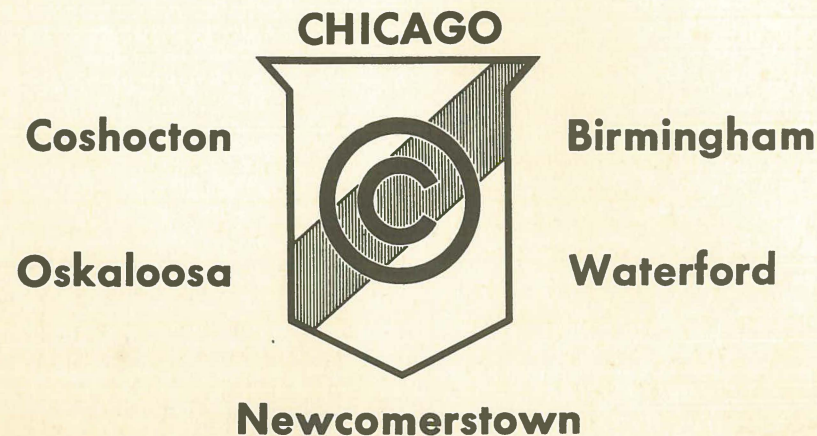
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## THE COVER

Presentation of the largest award made to a Clow employee for an accepted suggestion. The location, National. L. to r.: Claude Carlisle, who made the suggestion; Warren Whitney; and Gene Foote, Secretary, National's Suggestion Committee. (See "Of National Interest" for the story.)



# The President's Page

Just a very brief report from your rapidly recuperating president. When I had sufficiently recovered from my recent illness to be just a bit bored lying around the house in Chicago's snow and ice, my doctor issued strict orders that I must forget business and all of my activities and take a three months' complete rest. As my one desire was to recover as quickly and completely as possible, my wife and I looked about for a place to follow his advice. We have certainly found the ideal spot in the world to do nothing, see nothing, hear nothing, and still be amused in so doing.

Captiva Island is on what is called the Mangrove Coast of Florida. It is reached by a ferry that runs every half hour if and when the spirit moves the Captain from Punta Rassa fifteen miles from Fort Myers. This city was made famous by Thomas Edison, Henry Ford and Harvey Firestone, who for many years made it their winter home. This west coast of Florida, from Cape Sable on the south tip to Tampa Bay, is a mass of islands and bayous lined with mangrove swamps in which one can get beautifully lost without the least difficulty. This coast was discovered by such famous Spanish explorers as De Soto, Ponce de Leon and Amerigo Vespucci shortly after Columbus first landed in America. They came in search of gold and precious stones and to claim the country for their monarch. They settled along this coast, fought the Indians who did not welcome them, and from here moved on over to Louisiana and up the Mississippi. The only Indians that are left in Florida are a few hundred Seminoles who escaped extinction by Spaniards, Frenchmen and Americans by withdrawing into the impassable Everglades which they still inhabit. Most of the cities along the west coast started as army camps in the Seminole wars, which lasted from 1835 to 1842. They were fairly prosperous communities before Miami was founded by Mrs. Tuttle in 1897, and became the playground of America, thanks to Mr. Flagler who extended his Florida East Coast Railroad from St. Augus-

tine to Miami. Later he broke the railroad by trying to extend it over the Florida Keys to Key West.

I can still remember when back in 1896 I visited my grandfather who had a plantation at Palm Beach. Mr. Flagler had just built the Ponce de Leon Hotel at St. Augustine and carried me on his shoulders to see the beautiful fountains play in the courtyard. My uncle, James C. Clow, and my grandfather's brother, Milton Clow, had large pineapple plantations where West Palm Beach now stands. Guy Clow as a young boy was reared there and won all the sailboat races on Lake Worth. If their pineapples had not been frozen out in the severe winters of 1894 and 1897, and they had kept their lands a few more years, until Flagler built the Ponciana and Breakers hotels at Palm Beach, the Clow family would probably never have had to worry about making pipe. On the whole, I am glad they didn't.

But a little more about Captiva. The story is - true or false I don't know - that it got its name because the pirate chief, Gasparilla, who roamed these parts around 1826, used it to keep his captive harem here. As I said it is reached by ferry from Punta Rassa that lands on Sanibel Island, which is one of the two most famous spots in the world for shell collectors. Mr. James Johnson's family - the father of Earle Johnson and Mrs. Jack Byers - spent their vacations here back in the 1890's. You travel the bumpiest road in existence fourteen miles north to Blind Man's Pass, cross a rickety bridge, and arrive at Captiva. It is seven miles long and one half mile wide at its widest point. There is no telephone, one little store, and all your food and mail arrives by a small boat that comes daily from Fort Myers at 11:30. The arrival of the mail boat is the greatest excitement of the day. Captain Singleton will undertake to get anything you want at Fort Myers from a deep freeze down to a crochet hook - and has been known to pick

out very satisfactory ladies' hats and wearing apparel at a very modest shopping charge.

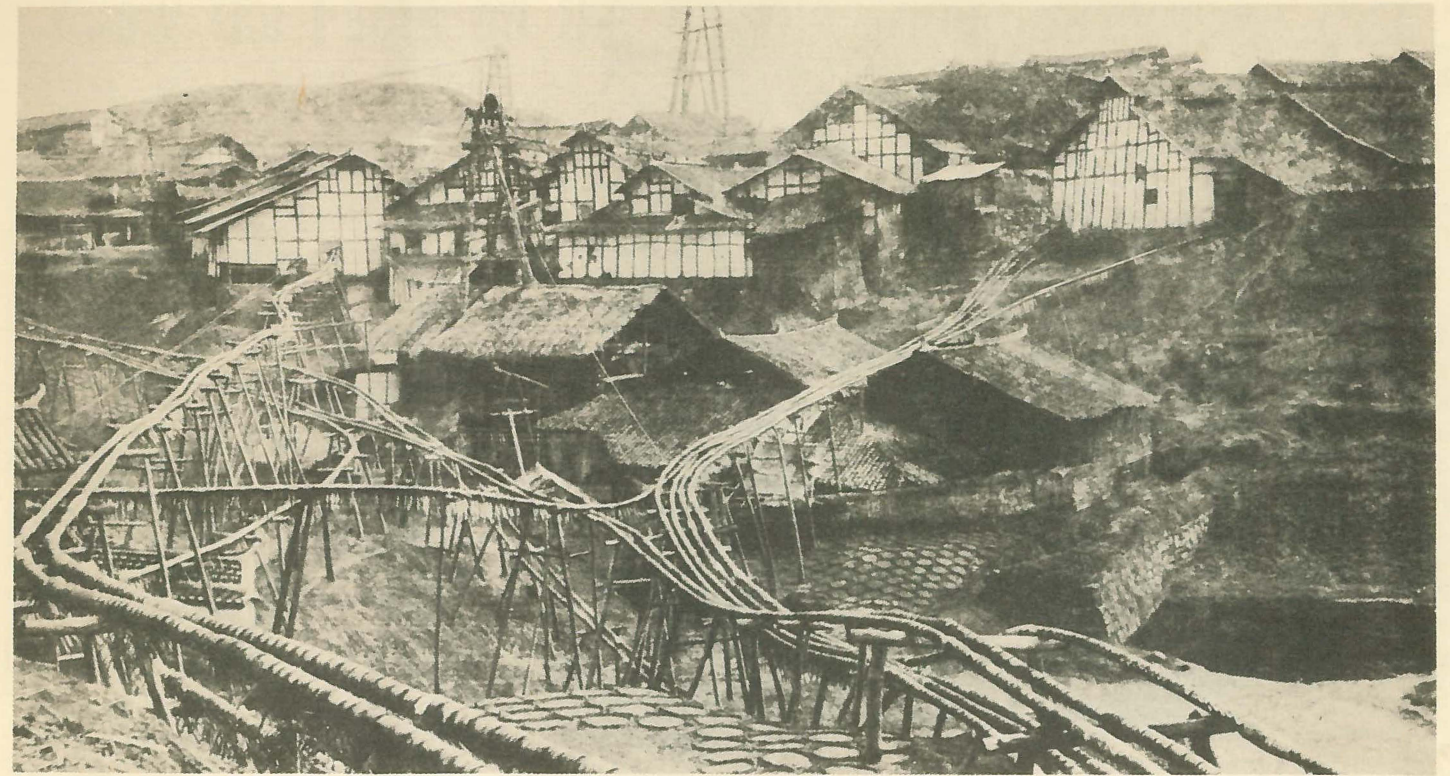
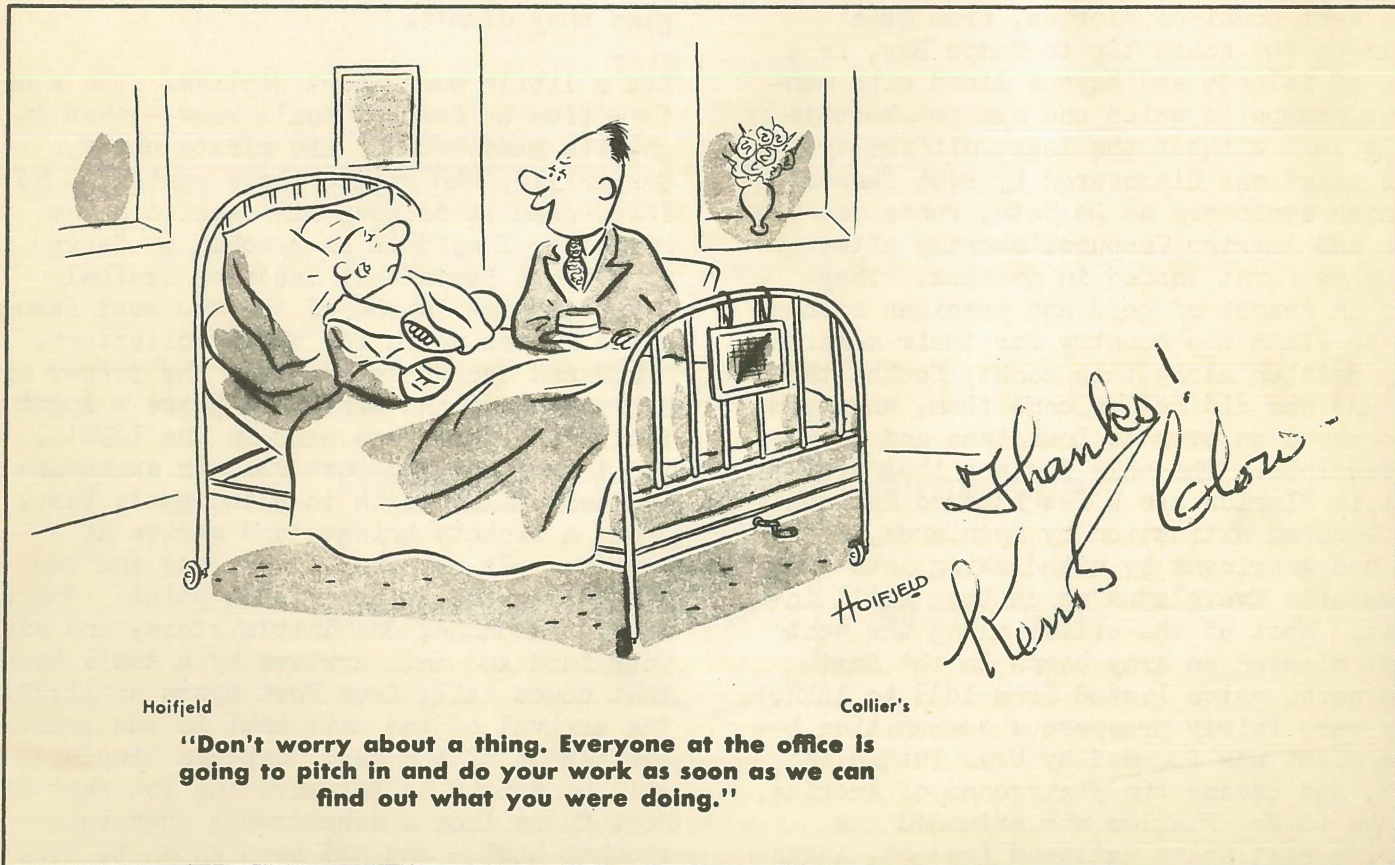
There are some most delightful people on the island who have enjoyed its peace and seclusion. Some of the greatest fishing in the world is within easy boat ride of Captiva. Boca Grande and Captiva pass are famous for their tarpon which can be caught starting in April through September. Last year I caught fourteen tarpon there in four days and lost as many more. Trout, sheepshead, channel bass and red fish abound in the bayous around Captiva, and kingfish, mackerel and bluefish are caught in the passes and the gulf. Unfortunately the weather has been cool and very windy, so that we have been able to do little fishing and mighty little sea bathing, but are hoping for a change before we leave some time in April.

We spent a very delightful evening with Mr. and Mrs. D. I. Miller in their attractive home on Sarasota Bay. I have never

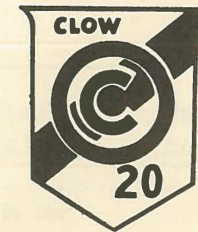
seen a happier couple enjoying life to the fullest, and Mrs. Clow and I will long remember their warm hospitality. Mr. and Mrs. Byers dropped by one day when we were all out shelling and we unfortunately missed them. We had a delightful visit with my brother and his wife, who came up from Naples for luncheon. Aside from these pleasant diversions, life goes on very simply but delightfully.

By April I hope to be completely recovered and full of energy. I never thought that I could completely relax and forget business and worries, but I can assure you that I will be mighty glad to be back on the job doing my share to make 1952 a prosperous one for all of us. Until then I am strictly following orders under the kindly but firm supervision of my wife and I must say I am enjoying it.

*Kent Clow*



PIPELINES ARE BIG news in the U. S. A. but they're ancient history to the Chinese. Three thousand years ago the Chinese drilled wells to a depth of 6,000 feet, using bamboo drill pipe and hand-wrought iron drill heads. Photograph, above, shows ancient pipeline still in use in Szechwan province.



## SPECIAL RECOGNITION

The following were awarded the Clow Service Pin in February:

- |                          |                    |          |
|--------------------------|--------------------|----------|
| Morton M. McCrone.....   | Newcomerstown..... | 30 years |
| Fred W. Darland.....     | Iowa Valve.....    | 10 years |
| Lennart A. Fahlander.... | Iowa Valve.....    | 10 years |
| William Gillen.....      | Coshocton.....     | 10 years |
| Lawrence Guthrie.....    | Coshocton.....     | 10 years |
| Sherman Hines.....       | National.....      | 10 years |
| Cecil Norris.....        | Coshocton.....     | 10 years |
| James H. Patterson.....  | National.....      | 10 years |
| Junior W. Roberts.....   | Coshocton.....     | 10 years |
| Edgar C. Totsch.....     | Coshocton.....     | 10 years |
| Joseph Van Dusen.....    | Coshocton.....     | 10 years |
| Clifford Williard.....   | Coshocton.....     | 10 years |



From an original painting by John Clymer

Freedom writes in a big, bold hand

## BITS of HISTORY

It was quiet now in the big room. The weeks of talk were over. The moment of decision had come.

The man picked up the pen.

Strange, to think he might hang for what he was about to do. Hang! "Together or separately," as witty Mr. Franklin had put it.

Very well, then. He'd let them know that he'd gone into it with all his heart...with a clear conscience...with the deep conviction of a man who does what is right.

He smiled. The pen swept across the parchment, and the letters stood bold and clear: John Hancock.

Today, Americans look at that big, firm, unafraid hand, and see in it something

familiar and natural to them -- the sturdy spirit of independence.

In many quiet ways, we Americans declare our independence every day.

We form our own opinions, and speak them without fear. We worship in our own ways. We plan our own futures.

We have even developed a way to safeguard the independence of those who depend on us. We call it life insurance. It is a typically American institution...the natural expression of a people who believe, with all their hearts, in the enjoyment of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

JOHN HANCOCK MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY  
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

## Know the Facts on the Non-Contributory Pension Plan

Eddy and Iowa employees are not covered by this plan.



**Answer:** A plan for providing an income when you retire.

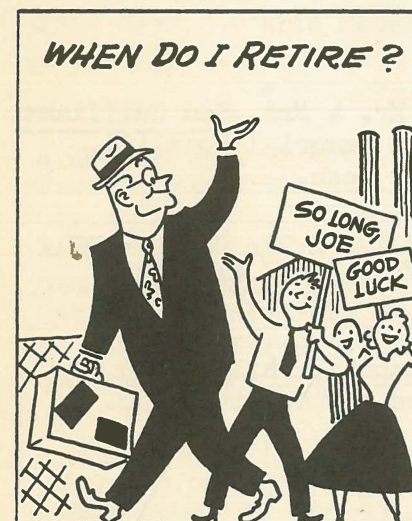


**Answer:** All regular employees.

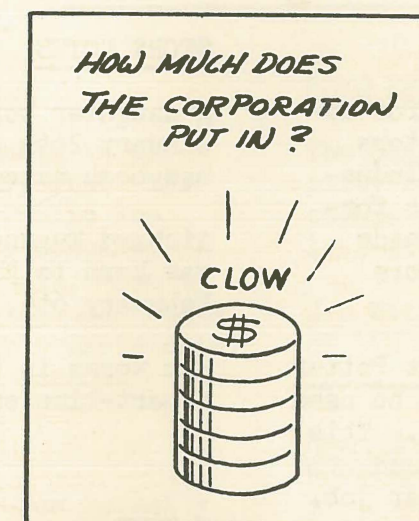


**Answer:** No. You are automatically covered after 15 years of service with the company.

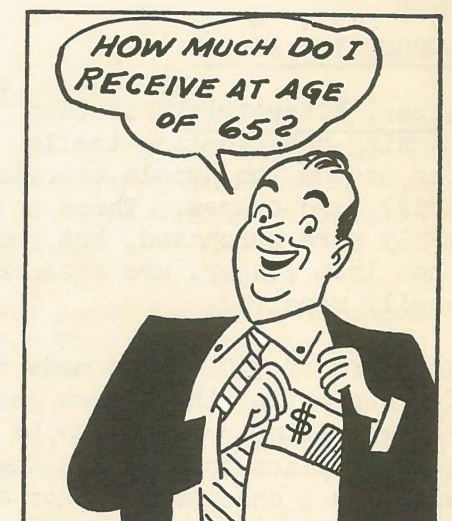
For complete details of the Plan, ask your Personnel Department.



**Answer:** Any time after your 65th birthday.



**Answer:** The Company pays the entire cost of the Non-Contributory Pension Plan.



**Answer:** A minimum of \$100.00 each month including Your Own Social Security.

# Coshocton Comments

by Ned Patterson



Mgr. T. A. Ripley receiving a safety plaque from a representative of the State Industrial Commission for completing the fiscal year of July 1, 1950 to June 31, 1951 without a single lost-time accident.

## SUGGESTION AWARDS

Albert Fitzpatrick received \$20.00 for designing and creating trolley collectors for use on the Cupola charging and Industrial Yard cranes. These collectors formerly were purchased, but the home-made ones last longer, are cheaper and more easily repaired.

An award of \$10.00 was made to Fount Potter for suggesting that a new gas torch be used for reheating castings to be welded. This would replace the present fuel oil and would do a cheaper, quicker and safer job.

\$5.00 was awarded to E. U. Sexton for his idea of placing eye bolts in the platform plates from the electric scales in the Shipping Yard, making a safer and easier removal.

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## STORK NOTES

A daughter born to Mr. & Mrs. Sam Guilliams, January 26th at City Memorial Hospital, has been named Patty Joan.

Richard Eugene, a 9 lb. 6 oz. hunk of man, was born to Mr. & Mrs. David Klingler, February 6th, also at Memorial Hospital.

Sam works in the Foundry, while David is a part-time employee in the Storeroom.

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## SAFETY

Another in a string of lost-time accidents occurred January 11th in the Foundry Finishing Department with Wilbert Dobson as the victim. In attempting to dislodge a smaller fitting from an 8" tee, by striking with a bar, Wilbert missed a swing and



The management and safety group receive the plaudits of the Industrial Commission.

suffered sharp pains through the back.

After examination by a local physician, he was sent to a specialist in Columbus. Complete X-Rays showed a slipped disc in the spinal column at the base of the skull. It will necessitate Wilbert missing about a month's work.

Our sympathies to Wilbert for the lost time and wages caused by this peculiar accident, which could happen to anyone.

It also climaxed a string of 962 accident-free days for this department.

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A general safety meeting was held in the Machine Shop Thursday, February 7th. Mr. Clyde R. Powell, Director of Public Relations for Lehigh Safety Shoe Company, presented a very interesting talk, "Don't Bet Your Life." His program included feats of magic performed with the able assistance of Mrs. Edith Saylor and Fred Durant.

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Sandy Miller of the Shipping Crew recently sold a calf for the sum of \$10.00. The very next day at the local stock sale, same age calves were bringing \$25.00. Sandy was lower than the price of his bargain calf.

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## SYMPATHY

To John Kiss, whose wife passed away January 15th. John is retired from the Foundry.

And to Irwin "Dutch" Wilden on the loss of his wife, January 26th. "Dutch" is a member of the Shipping Crew.

Wilmer Ross, of the Foundry, suffered the loss of his father who passed away January 27th.

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## FIVE YEARS AGO IN CLOW NEWS

The Shipping Crew of 25 men enjoyed a party in the laboratory, celebrating the completion of 18 years without a single lost-time accident.

Joe Williams was named Personnel Director of the Coshocton Plant succeeding W. R. Todd.

Harold Potter and Miss Kathryn Mitchell were united in wedlock.

Ditto Virgil Holdsworth and Miss Nellie Randles.

The Suggestion System was put into use by Clow for the first time.

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Bill Dunfee underwent a major operation on January 28th. Reports state that he is faring well.

Fred Koman is still confined to Memorial Hospital at press time after his major cutting job performed on February 2nd.

We all send our wishes for a speedy recovery.

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BOWLING

After the Giants clinched the first-half championship, life has been made very rugged for them on Thursday evenings. The rest of the league apparently lay in wait for them. The Dodgers are currently the hottest outfit, and last week set a new single game high when they hit 1100. The standings to the date of February 14th show the following:

Dodgers..	19 - 5	Cardinals	11 - 13
Braves...	17 - 7	Indians..	11 - 13
Yankees..	16 - 8	Giants...	9 - 15
White Sox	15 - 9	Browns...	8 - 16
Tigers...	12 -12	Senators.	7 - 17
Red Sox..	12 -12	Pirates..	7 - 17

The top ten bowlers are:

John Orem.....	180	Roy Franklin....	171
G. Bordenkircher	178	Gus Kratz.....	171
Henry Clark.....	176	W. Bordenkircher	170
Herb Carlson....	174	Ned Patterson...	169
Francis Clark...	172	Bob Popham.....	167

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The team representing Clow in the City "A" League is still in third place. They seem to get along fine until they meet one of the lower teams; then somehow or another, the wins come pretty hard.

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The Coshocton Junior Chamber of Commerce really has its share of Clow members. Listed among the group are the following: Jim Majors, Verle Rucker, Sam Clow, Bill Neff, Robin Richards, Archie Brown, Henry Budendorf, Bob Randles, Harrison Booth,

Jack Lyons, Charles Silverthorn, Jim Silverthorn, Ned Patterson and John Varley.

Several in the group are on the board of directors, and Jim Majors is treasurer. Many of the group have served or are serving on committees designed for the betterment of our community.

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We were glad to be hosts for Fred Gegner, from Iowa Valve, who spent two weeks picking up the fine points of the incentive plan.

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Jack E. Thompson, son of Axline, recently experienced a very thrilling event. While enroute across the north Atlantic in an "AKA", which carries a normal complement of 390 men, the ship was rammed amid ships by another vessel.

Since part of the cargo was high explosives, the accident could have been a major tragedy. But very fortunately the crew was able to guide the ship into drydock at Halifax.

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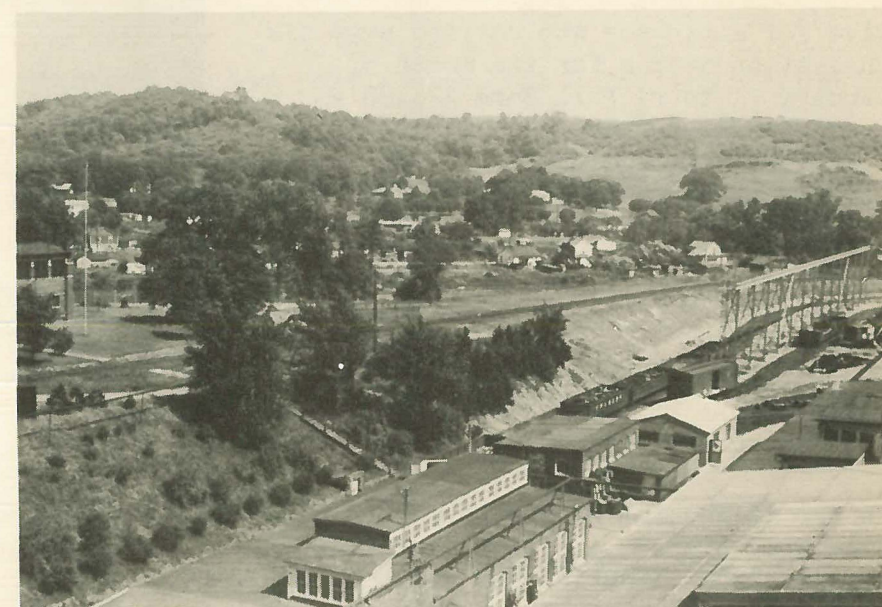
Plant Superintendent Eugene Bordenkircher



## Coshocton Scenes

Some of the boys give Roy Franklin a little encouragement in this old picture.

A scenic view looking southeast from the top of the cupola.



Showing the new Industrial storage crane in action.



# Newcomerstown NOTES

by Chuck Yingling



Five NCT employees who carried away six suggestion awards for the month of January (l to r) Phil Bond \$25.00 - Marshall Johnson \$16.00 - Rollin Barthelow \$5.00 - George Herbert \$8.00 - William Thompson \$25.00 and \$14.00.

## OUR MEN IN SERVICE

We are in receipt of another short note from Cpl. Milford A. (Jack) Hart, dated January 16th, thanking our Company for the unexpected and much appreciated bonus check at Christmas time. He received it just the day before he left for Tokyo on a short leave. Said it came in handy. Jack wanted us to say "Hello" to all the boys at home.

Arriving later in January was a long letter, our first, from Pfc. Don Kohl. Other than indirectly we haven't heard from Don since he left on October 19, 1950 but he, too, expressed thanks for his bonus check as well as his monthly issues of Clow News. In his letter he apologized for not having

written sooner and gave the reason that he was such a poor letter writer - an item to which we take exception. We thought it a most interesting bit of writing. The letter, written on January 16th, came from the Island of Guam which, he said, isn't much of a place. The weather never changes - it's either raining and blowing or the sun is burning down. Don spends most of his spare time in the Air Force hobby shop where he is learning to cast gold and silver jewelry (instead of cast iron, as he did with us) and to cut gems. The latter is his "dish" and the occupation he thinks he will make his trade when he gets out of service.

Once more, let us remind you fellows that we're always glad to hear from you and to

publish any word you wish in Clow News so, keep those letters coming - as your time permits.

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## NEW EMPLOYEES

Maintenance - Oscar J. Allen  
 Foundry - John J. Freeland  
 Russell E. Corwin  
 Storeroom - R. Gene Whyde

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## JESSE GRIFFITH RETIRES

Last October we carried a story of the retirement of our old-timer, Jesse Griffith, only to find that all of us were a bit premature when Jesse ran into age difficulties with the Social Security Office. The result was that he came back to work and continued on through January 31, 1952 when he retired again. This time it's for keeps for now he knows he was 65 on January 10, 1952 and the S. S. Office has acknowledged the date. We have a suspicion that he has been looking forward to this date and all of us wish him, and Mrs. Griffith, a most pleasant and well-earned retirement.

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## CHARLES T. OPPHILE

Just three hours after he was struck by an automobile on East State Street, on January 19th, life expired for Charles T. Opphile, a retired radiator molder. He was first employed in the old pipe foundry in 1913, where he worked until he left us in 1919. He returned in February 1920 and was placed in the radiator foundry where he worked at various jobs before becoming a radiator molder, the trade from which he was forced to retire because of failing health. He last worked on March 23, 1948 and was retired, at age 60, on January 31, 1949.

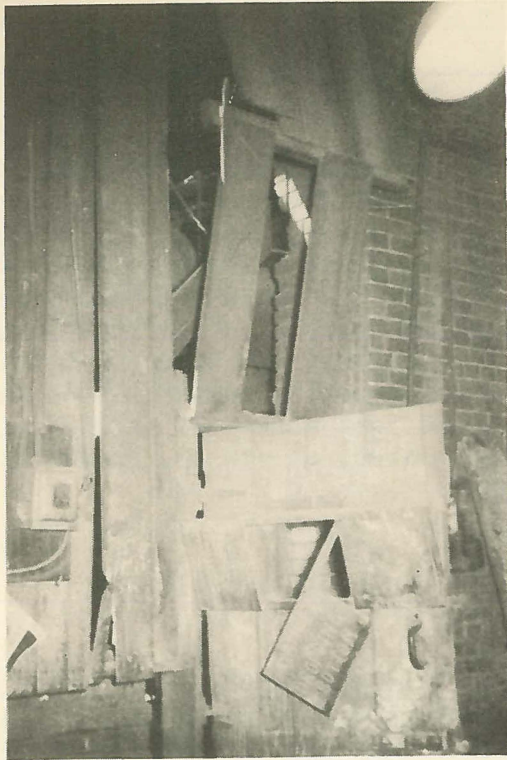
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## SAFETY PARTY

At press time our Safety Party was still in the making but we can tell you that it was held at the High School Auditorium on Friday, February 29th, and a very tasty chicken dinner was served by the American Legion Auxiliary. We'll give you a review of the party in our next issue, at which time we'll also have a few interesting pictures.

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Really, Charles Berkshire isn't doing an Indian War Dance. He's welding in the Maintenance Shop and merely supporting himself with his foot up on the vise handle.



BIG W-H-O-P NO FUN

Wall boards were ripped loose and the safety door to the foundry was smashed open by the explosion.

If you will look closely at the sign that hangs at a crazy angle on the door, in the accompanying photo, you will see "DANGER - DROPPING BOTTOM." There's nothing unusual about that. We drop bottom every work day and that is merely a wooden warning sign that is slipped across the glass opening when the bottom is about to be dropped. The unusual thing was, at about 2:30 p.m. on Friday, February 8th, that when the bottom did drop there was a terrific explosion that was heard for as far as a mile away. Fortunately no one was injured, in spite of flying boards, sections of metal sheeting, glass and splinters and there was no apparent damage to the cupola proper. The building took it all.

The only explainable cause for the big blow was that there had been a slight run-out and that as the molten iron ran into the loose dirt under the bottom doors it created a gas pocket in the dirt. When the bottom was dropped the molten mass set off the gas in this pocket and "she blew". Needless to say, it brought a flock of spectators.



Looking at the south side of the cupola building. The doors were open at the time of the blast but all the other openings were blown there.



Our shot of the north wall wasn't too good for we had the sun in our face. This wall was nearest the cupola and the one that suffered the most damage.

The carpenters had already started repair work when this shot was made up through the roof of the cupola shed. That's Rollin Barthallow going up and over, at left.



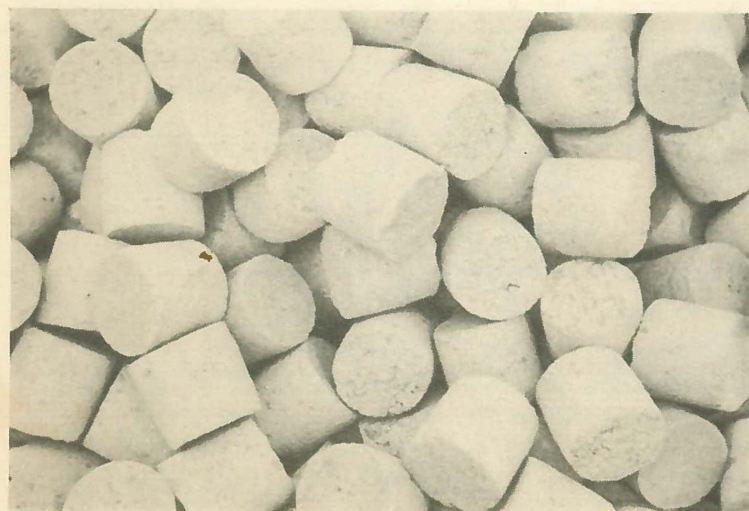


B - I - T - S....Walter Loew represented NCT plant at the GIRI meet-



ing in Columbus on January 25th.....The heavy rains and young floods of January 25-26 prevented several of our men from getting to work on Monday, the 28th. By the following day the water had receded and most everything was back under control again.....In wartime you can find most anything in a pile of scrap iron. Perhaps the most amazing find was when L. S. Taylor cornered and caught a live possum. After a slight bit of bartering it wound up in the hands of Ed McCall, for pie purposes.....It was TUESDAY, February 13th, that Helen Glazer was ready to leave for work when she took off from the top of the stairs at her home, made two or three loops (she's not sure just how many) and landed against the wall at the foot of the steps on the first floor. She made it to the office, but stiff and sore.....  
.....The "flu" is up to its old tricks again. Eleven men off on one shift in the foundry, alone, in mid-February.....

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WHATIZZIT?

Answer Ferro-Sillicon Bridgnettes

# IOWA items

by Con Coupland, Jr.



Kenneth Hunt and son, Kenny Arlo, with little Kenny's first Christmas tree in the background.

## BOWLING

The bowling committee, made up of our six team captains, met recently to determine what method would be used in selecting the Iowa team to compete in the 1952 Interplant Tourney. In order to qualify in the selection, a bowler must have bowled at least seventy-five percent of the games. Last year's method of dividing the bowlers into five groups according to their averages was approved and, as before, the high average bowler in each group will represent Iowa in the tournament. If for any reason, that bowler is not able to participate, the next high bowler in that group will take his place. Here is how the competition looks:

Average of 156 and up: Sodak and Berglund  
Average of 146 - 155 : McLandsborough,

Richards, and Burnham  
Average of 136 - 145:

Voss, Beadle, McDonough, M. Young, G. Young, and Scott.

Average of 126 - 135:

Sellars, Bloodsworth, Darland, Newton, Hite, Lanphier, Olive, Sears, Vance, Dykstra, and Bracy.

Average of 125 and below:

Wilson, Terrell, Hunt, Suiter, Klootwyk, Johnson, and McMains.

Although it's much too early to make predictions as to the winners of each group, interesting battles are going on in all groups and the fellows who make the all-

expense trip to Coshocton this year will certainly have worked hard for the honor.

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LETTER FROM PAUL SHERMAN

The following letter received from Paul Sherman who is serving with the Army Transportation Corps in Korea should prove of interest to all of us:

"I finally found time to write you a few lines to thank the Company for the Christmas card and check and for the Clow News each month. I am just fine - not up on the front, but we are doing our darnedest to keep the men up there in all the ammunition they want.

"This is the dirtiest and filthiest place a man can ever be. I haven't had a day off since I got here. We are driving trucks almost constantly. Every two weeks we change off and drive at night for two weeks. The roads here are just trails cut through the mountains and if you drive over 15 m.p.h. you can hardly stay in the truck.

"I should get out of here in November, 1952 and I will be glad to get back and start to work again. I know Iowa Valve is the best company a man ever worked for and it certainly remembers its men when they go to the Service. Tell everyone I will be glad to get back to see them and I hope it will be soon. I will appreciate any letters the boys have time to write."

Paul's address is:

Pfc. Paul W. Sherman U.S. 55067058  
539 T T Co., APO 59  
San Francisco, California

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LANGSTRAAT HOME BURNS

On January 18th, Dick Langstraat received a message from neighbors in Eddyville to the effect that his home had just burned to the ground. Nothing was saved. However, Dick was consoled somewhat by the knowledge that his wife and baby were safe in Oskaloosa where they were spending the day. Dick

carried no household insurance and everything was a complete loss.

The dark picture was brightened by the fact that almost everyone who knew of their plight contributed something toward rehabilitating the family. Dick feels that everyone was very generous and he wants to thank again the employees of Iowa Valve for their help.

An interesting angle to the tragedy was the manner in which the blaze was discovered. An airlines plane, on its regular run, flew over the house. The pilot, seeing smoke pouring from the house, radioed the Ottumwa field and gave the location of the house which was situated on a farm between Ottumwa and Eddyville. Since Ottumwa is farther away, the Eddyville sheriff was notified by police radio. The Eddyville firemen raced to the fire but, unfortunately, were not able to save anything.

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BIRTHDAYS

Just a little reminder that you're a little older and a little wiser. Don't forget your driver's license.

Bob Amber	March 17
Joe DeBoef	March 24
Tom Wilkinson	March 29
Bob McLandsborough	April 1
Charles Lanphier	April 2
Earl Shaffer	April 4
George Katko	April 13
Dwight Hinkle	April 14
Sam Boyer	April 15

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STORK NEWS

That busy old bird, the stork, has been working overtime during the last month. He provides us with three announcements for this issue of the News.

Madison and Mrs. Sams have a fine little girl who arrived on January 20th. Named Vonda Rae, she has a big sister, Sharon Kay, who will be seven on her next birth-

day. Cecil and Mrs. Norris have a nice little boy now. He was born on February 2nd and they named him Cecil Albert. He is their first child.

Harold and Mrs. Sellars are mighty proud of their little girl who was born on February 7th. Her name is Diana Lynn and she has three brothers and one sister.

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PERSONNEL CHANGES

As a result of Art Danner's leaving Iowa Valve, Mrs. McDonough moves up from payroll work to take over part of the work previously done by Art. Mrs. Fran Rutherford has been employed to do the payroll.

On January 21st, Fred Gegner was employed by the Company to do standards and cost analysis work. This work has been interrupted for over a year because of personnel changes in 1950. Fred spent approximately a month at the Coshocton plant studying our methods and is now beginning the studies at our plant.

Out in the foundry, two new men were added during the early part of February. They are Dale Sille and Lowell Myers. Both are doing fine work on the Shakeout Crew and we hope they will be with us for a long time.

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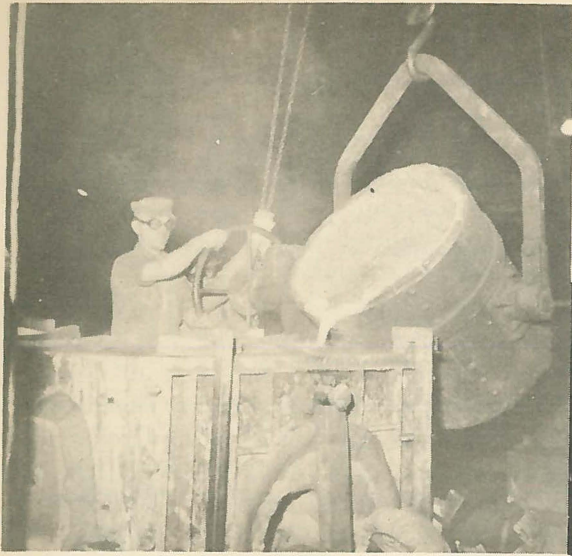
Olaf Maughan points with pride to his daughters Jeanene (Mrs. Melvin Dykstra) and Mary Grace. Grandson Terry is the item of most of Olie's conversations, however!

OVER THE BACK FENCE

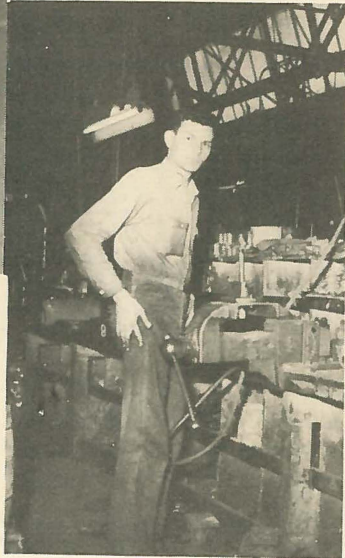
In one of the recent issues, we printed a picture of Russell Bloodsworth and the caption said he was tying his shoe. Actually, Russell was looking at a scar on the toe of his safety shoe. He had just then accidentally dropped a heavy valve on his foot and the only damage was the scarred leather.....Due to a mistake of our records, Melvin Dykstra was not mentioned under the Birthday section of last months "Clow News". His birthday was on March 1st, the same as his father-in-law, Olaf Maughan.....Willis Wills has a new Plymouth which should have been mentioned in an earlier issue of "Clow News".....Tom Voss recently joined the Junior Chamber of Commerce. We know Tom will be a credit to this fine organization.....The Red Cross drive will be made sometime in March. The Red Cross did a fine job during 1951, especially in the flood areas. Without your contributions and the contributions of others, this work can not be carried on.....Bill Belzer gave us a scare one day early in February. He was stricken with acute indigestion and had to lose the rest of the week from work. He's feeling fine now, however.....None of us really needs this reminder but - INCOME TAX IS DUE THE 15th.

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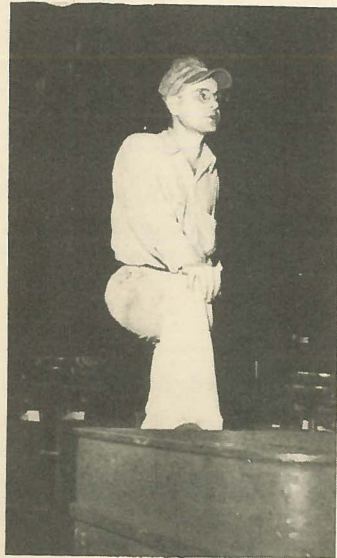
## Random Shots



Dwight Hinkle intently watches the iron as he pours one of his molds on the crane floor.



Fred Darland at the small valve assembly bench where he was assembling a small cover as this picture was snapped.



Foreman Ed Murphy surveys the first run of iron during the daily pour-off.



Tom Rees pouring off some of the smaller molds on the crane floor as Vess Earl in the background (with respirator) looks on. Despite the size of the mold he is pouring, Tom does the molding on all our largest castings.

# of National Interest

by Charles Hooper



Here are the departmental safety representatives with Pete Clow, G. B. Akeroyd and Leonard Bryant. This picture was taken just after the W. E. Clow safety trophy was presented.

The safety celebration held at National on Thursday, February 14th, was the biggest news item this month. As you all know, National shared with the Newcomerstown plant in the winning of the W. E. Clow Safety Trophy for the year 1951. Thursday afternoon at approximately 2:45 p.m., the plant was opened for visitation by employees' families and friends. Approximately eight hundred people visited the plant either before or after the celebration. At 3:30, employees, their families, and friends gathered in the Shell Shop building for the safety program. Mr. Whitney opened the program by congratulating the employees for making the safety celebration possible. Then the new color sound film "The Manufacture of Cast Iron Pipe" was shown. This film was made principally in Birmingham.

After the film was shown, Gene Foote, secretary of the Suggestion System Committee at National presented Joe DeFreese with a \$20.00 award for a suggestion accepted by

the Suggestion Committee. Joe's suggestion was that a plate be made and machined to rig Clow-National patterns for the sand slinger department. This enables the pattern rigger to keep the bells level on the pattern which is essential in the production of Clow-National fittings. Mr. Whitney then presented Claude Carlisle a check for \$250.00 (the award was \$312.50 before taxes - \$62.50 for Uncle Sam). This is the largest award that has ever been paid a Clow employee for a suggestion and Claude certainly deserves congratulations.

Claude's suggestion was a design for a pipe aligner at the spigot end of the test press to align the pipe as they approach the test press. This suggestion was calculated to save several hundred dollars and by using our formulae, Claude was paid 25% of the savings after cost of installation. This idea also improves methods and production.

After the presentation of the Suggestion

awards, a cartoon comic film was shown. Mr. Whitney then made a short talk in which he stressed the importance of teamwork in carrying out a worthwhile safety program.

Then Pete Clow presented the departmental safety men, Leonard Bryant, Safety Director, and George Akeroyd, Works Manager, with the W. E. Clow Safety Trophy. Accepting the trophy on behalf of the employees were Lloyd McCleskey, Pattern Shop; Orba Pointer, Special Foundry; Raymond Smith, Flange; John Johnson, deLavaud Finishing; Bill Hamilton, deLavaud Finishing; Bill Beasley, deLavaud Foundry; Tom Hodges, deLavaud Foundry; Claude Beasley, deLavaud Melting; George Smith, Machine; Denson Kelley, Machine; Bert Fulmer, Maintenance; Robert Richardson, Electrical; Pat Brandon, Office; Beecher Murphy, Special Foundry; Tom Jeffries, Cleaning Shed; Horace Gunn, Shipping; and Tom Booker, Yards.

After the presentation of the trophy, there was a drawing for two table-model radios. Fred Busby was the winner of one of the radios and Eula Bates the winner of the other.

We thank Arthur Rice, Euel Jones, Norma Jean Johnson, Kathleen Williams, Gertrude

McKeand, Joyce Blakeney, Phyllis Sisson, Hattie Robinson, Effie Iverson, Myrtle Howard, Ella Jones, Beulah Dunning, Annie Smith, and Josephine Lewis for serving refreshments.

Joe Shores, Dow Batson, John Dunnavant, Kendall Springfield, Charlie Abney, Sam Clevenger, John Cobb, Don Parks, Henry McNider, Johnnie Johnson, Jim Cato, Billie Smith, Denson Kelley, Ed Peterson, Robert Jordan, Matt Roberson, Mike Peck, James Howard, Ernest Coppins, Fred Hines, and Adolph Hillary did an excellent job in acting as guides and handling the crowd of approximately 1,100 people.

Our sincere thanks go to the Carpenter Department and the Yards Department for their work in making the celebration such a success. This is the first safety celebration we have had for some time and from all reports everyone seemed to enjoy the festivities. Many comments were heard from families of employees who said that they were glad to see the plant where their "people" worked. We got off to a bad start the first of this year on our safety goal. We have had one lost-time accident. Let's do all that we can to make the remainder an accident-free year.

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The night deLavaud Maintenance crew, left to right: Lloyd Kelley, Talmadge Perrin, Fred McAnnally, Frank Stolarski, George Goodwin and Jack Anderson.



Clarence Forte and A. W. Pearman, the twins of the deLavaud Foundry. The weight that you see on the scales is not the weight of the two men, but the weight of a pipe.

Pictured at right is D. H. Kittrell who works on the night shift in the Machine Shop. From the picture, it looks as though "Kit" has a mustache, but we can assure you that he does not.





Members of the night shake-out crew are, left to right: Willie Fritts, James Richardson and A. C. Holman.

## J.F.O'Brien Retires

February 15th was the last day for Fred O'Brien to work at National. Fred came to work for the company in August, 1919. He has been associated in the deLavaud Department since 1928 and at the time of his retirement was a foreman of the deLavaud Core Room. We don't know what Fred's plans are, but all of us wish him happiness and health for many years to come.

## Charlie Goshay Retires

Charlie Goshay also retired February 15th. Charlie came to work for the company October 16, 1916 and has worked in both the deLavaud Foundry, and Core Room. At the time of his retirement, Charlie was a sand mixer in the Core Room and had worked under Fred O'Brien who is also retiring, for some time.

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Roy Spruce, who works in the deLavaud Finishing Department is shown painting the end of a pipe.



Jim Cato is seen here marking weight on a pipe. Jim works on Charlie Weems' shift in the deLavaud Finishing Department.

### SPORTS

Just as a reminder to the rest of you Clow bowlers on how much practicing you're going to have to do, here are the averages up to this date:

#### Bracket #1

Eugene Woolwine.....	169
Tom Reese.....	167
Leonard Bryant.....	158
Clarence Forte.....	157
Eugene Foote.....	156

#### Bracket #2

Luther Smith.....	155
George Little.....	154
Charlie Abney.....	150
Red Bates.....	150
Wallace Pyle.....	142

#### Bracket #3

H. B. Hannah.....	154
Ernest Keith.....	146
Bill Woolwine.....	146
Ozzie Moncrief.....	144
Earl Alley.....	142

#### Bracket #4

George Estes.....	147
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M. D. Neptune.....	144
Dwight Little.....	142
Red Rotton.....	135

#### Bracket #5

L. C. Kittrell.....	135
George Goodwin.....	132
Nelson Smith.....	105
Z. T. Tumlin.....	101

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It won't be much longer before practice will begin for the colored baseball team. Those of you who are interested in playing this season, please contact Green Robinson or Tommy Smith.

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### NEWS BITS

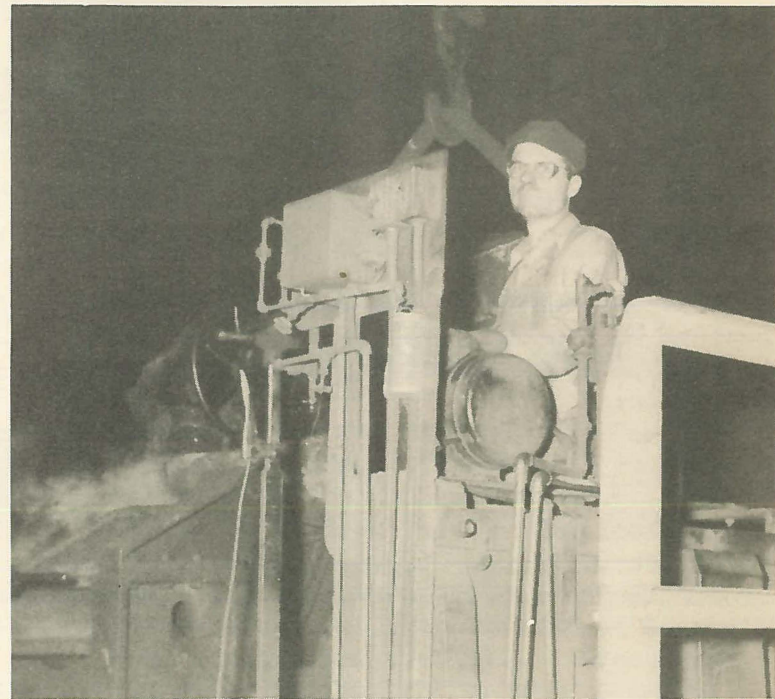
Jo Prince, who has been secretary to Warren Whitney for five years, left the company February 14th to become a full-time housewife. A number of the office personnel presented Jo with a salad set to match her sterling dinnerware. Much luck to you, Jo, and we'll miss you.....Everyone seemed to enjoy the material in the new information center racks. The magazines went like hot cakes. We believe that everyone will find the next issues as interesting and en-

joyable as the first.....John Erwin was glad to have his son, John, Jr., home on leave recently. John, Jr., is being sent to Texas for additional training....  
 .....Scotty Kelley paid us a visit recently. Scotty is now stationed at Shaw Air Force Base, South Carolina, and his new address is:

Sgt. Walter S. Kelley, Jr.  
 AF 24581389  
 106 Tac. Recon. Sqd. (N. P.)  
 Shaw Air Force Base, South Carolina

.....Wallace Pyle, Mac McCleskey, John Oaks, the Smith brothers, and Cleve Coleman are sharpening their hooks for Gunterville and Town Creek. Good luck and good fishing.....We certainly are sorry that W. T. Foote, Cogar Walker, and Charlie Weems suffered damages due to the freak storm which swept through this vicinity not too long ago.....We're sorry to report that John Doughty has been unable to work for approximately a month. Speedy recovery, John!

At right: John Horton shown operating the #1 machine in the deLavaud Foundry.



Will Talley who is a cement liner for fittings. Will has been with the company since January 1, 1933.

# CHICAGO'S CHAPTER

by H. E. Norain

## NEW EMPLOYEES

We welcome these new employees to Clow.

Anthony Nessie - "B" Department  
 Hakob Grigorian - "A" Department  
 Enrico I. Sandri - Sales Department  
 Beverly Hjertstedt - Gasteam Accounting Department

Marlene Ritchy (a former employee) is back with us now that her husband Bill is in the service of Uncle Sam. Marlene is working in the Billing Department.

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Our deepest sympathy is extended to Stanley Tomaszewski whose mother passed away on January 16th.

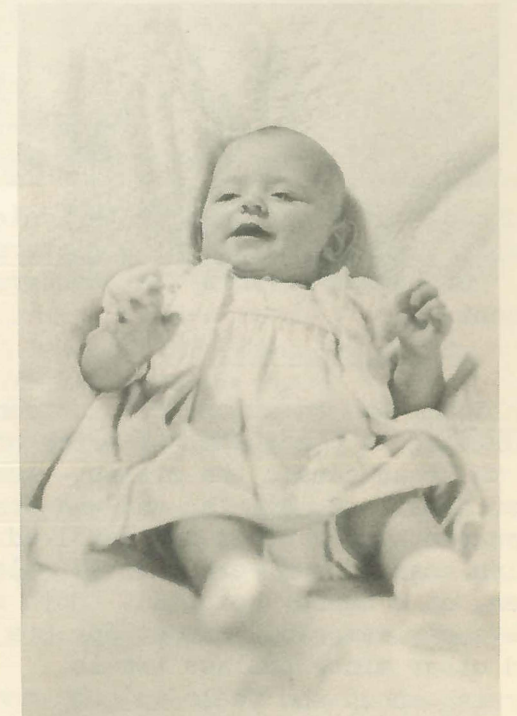
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Perhaps it's somewhat belated, but for some time now Dorothy Chrust's husband Frank (a former Clow employee) has been preaching at the Bethany Methodist Church on Chicago's South Side. Frank is gaining experience here while he continues his studies in ministry at Northwestern University. Congratulations and best of luck.

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Roy Allen's wife recently underwent a second operation at the Oak Park Hospital. Roy tells us she is coming along fine. We all wish her a speedy recovery.

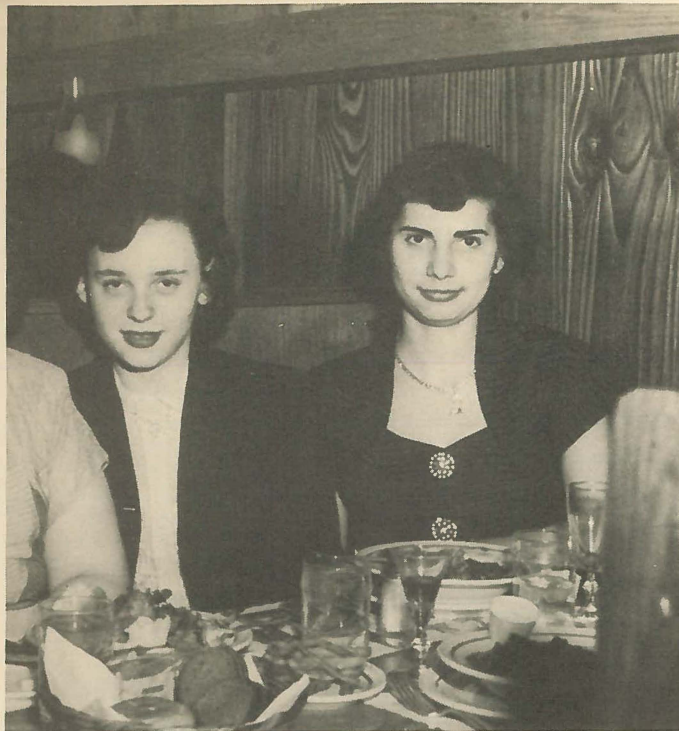
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Diane Marie Detmer daughter of Ed Detmer gives the cameraman a very pleasing smile. Diane is now 5 months old and growing fast, says Ed.

## SCHOOL DAYS

Attending special classes in kitchen design were Ben Garland and Bob McAdam. The course was sponsored by the Acme Cabinet Company and featured problems in design, modernization of old kitchens and new kitchen designs as well as installation techniques.



While dining out one evening Ruth Edmier and Rosalie Cannataro had their picture taken. Both girls work in the Stenographic Department.

Len Fahlander had an automobile accident while driving in Wisconsin. A patch of ice on the road caused the mishap. Len suffered a bruised left leg and was shaken up. Occupants of another car involved were also injured and were treated, along with Len, at a nearby hospital. Both cars were severely damaged. Except for his leg and other minor bruises Len is maneuvering about and feels in good condition.

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WEDDING BELLS

Violet Hedtke became Mrs. Ed Verner on January 26th. Congratulations and best wishes to the newlyweds.

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NEW ARRIVALS

A new addition to the home of Bill Douglas and his wife Anne was Elizabeth Warton Douglas, who was born January 23rd. She

weighed 6 pounds 13-1/2 ounces.

Although late we'd like to report Ray Rinehart too became a father for the fourth time. His wife Winnie gave birth to a baby girl named Susan Linda. Her weight 6 pounds 7 ounces. The Rineharts now have two boys and two girls.

On February 10th Joe Foreman of the Foundry Department informed us that he had become a father. Margie, his wife, gave birth to an 8 pound boy named Joseph Dennis Foreman III. This is their first child.

Congratulations to the proud parents.

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BOWLING

Chicago's bowling rules have been made for the inter-plant team. Two plans were submitted and voted on. The majority of the votes cast favored the same competition as last year whereby, the bowler who has improved the most in his respective bracket since January 17th up to and including a week prior to the date set for the tournament will be declared winner. This will be done on a percentage basis.

Latest standings are as follows:

<u>Bracket No. 1</u>	<u>% Of Increase</u>
1. Krempels, R.	2.6666
2. Detmer, E.	2.3875
3. Hovinga, F.	1.1958
4. Hoar, J.	.3735
5. Price, E.	.0000

<u>Bracket No. 2</u>	<u>% Of Increase</u>
1. Di Domenico, R.	2.4248
2. Lindberg, L.	1.0875
3. Stob, H.	.5500
4. Healey, J.	.1716
5. Gramith, A.	.0000

<u>Bracket No. 3</u>	<u>% Of Increase</u>
1. Foreman, J.	1.4495
2. Nelson, G.	1.1158
3. Fischer, A.	.0000
4. Carnahan, G.	.0000

<u>Bracket No. 3 (Cont.)</u>	<u>% Of Increase</u>
5. Heffelfinger, R.	.0000

<u>Bracket No. 4</u>	<u>% Of Increase</u>
1. Leo, J.	1.9167
2. Osko, D.	.0000
3. Lundell, D.	.0000
4. Bongiorno, B.	.0000
5. Burke, W.	.0000

<u>Bracket No. 5</u>	<u>% Of Increase</u>
1. Norain, H.	2.9636
2. Marcis, M.	1.7990
3. Wrona, T.	1.0504
4. Kmiecik, S.	.8021
5. Arendt, J.	.0000

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On the night of February 14th, in order to make bowling a little more interesting, two boxes of candy were given as prizes for the evening. These were won by Grant Nelson (for high series) and Buster Bongiorno (for high game). A booby prize was won by Dolores Jahnke.

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CHICAGAB.....J. Beach Clow back after vacationing in Bermuda.....

Jay Miller has been through our building coding all pipe lines with the use of colored tape. When Jay leaves someone else will be able to trace the various lines.....Sporting a new Ford "Fordomatic" is Bill Burke of the Estimating Department.....A group of Clowites had a roller skating party at the Hub rink recently. An enjoyable evening was had by all who were in attendance.....

George Micheff reports that while playing pinochle one lunch period Mike Lack bid over his head and went 800 in the hole.....Rudy Krempels rolled games of 201, 244 and 188 for a series total of 633 and set a new high for this season's bowling.

Nice going, Rudy.....George O'Day's daughter was married recently. George became a father-in-law for the first time.....Grant Nelson appeared on television in front of the State-Lake theatre. Several people at Clow reported seeing him.....Ruth Edmier's basement was the rendezvous for a party given February 16th.

# GUESS WHO?



A "young" old-timer and holder of two 20-Year Service Pins.

Answer: Ted Seabrooke



CHICAGO'S FOUNDRY DEPARTMENT TAKES ON A NEW LOOK.

Our engineering problems are handled by these men in the newly arranged Foundry Department. (l. to r.) Sub Kmeicik, John Pearah, Lewis Alk and Bob Guttery. In the background is a new conference room within the department.



Back in the December issue of the Clow News a story was told about alterations being made in the Chicago office. A picture story is shown here as evidence of what was accomplished.

The ladies in the Foundry Department seem to enjoy their new quarters. Seated (l. to r.) Dolores Schubert, Marge Caccavari, and Dorah Goodman. Standing is Doris Blaese.



Before remodeling could begin the Purchasing and Auditing Departments had to be moved to a new location. Shown above (foreground) (l. to r.) Arnold Fischer, and Harry Lehman, next row Bernadine Allen, Betty Frazier and Georgiana Kowalik. In the rear, although not clearly visible are (l. to r.) Helen Robertson, Ruth Edmier and Ella Spillane.

Here's a view of the partition (in background) that separates the Foundry Department from the outer office. People caught by the camera's lens are (l. to r.) Dolores Jahnke, Don Koskiewicz, Mark Vogel, Vern Kruger, Grant Nelson, Tom Wrona and Bob Haak.





# EDDY ALBUM

of familiar faces



Louie Caruso spent the first 3½ years of his Eddy service, beginning in 1920, at our cupola, and then came across street in 1923 to the brass room, where he was listed as a helper, but in 1937 he came downstairs to the Iron Machine Shop, where he has been ever since, as a machine operator. His pose here shows that he makes all his jobs look easy, but none are ever done without his indispensable pipe.



Leo "Pat" Patnode, Coremaker, first came to Eddy in 1920, but with the slowdown under Mr. Knickerbacker, he left in 1944, coming back after a year and a half to resume his coremaking activities. "Pat" makes most of our large black-sand cores.



Peaches Montanari came to Eddy when the Clow regime got under way in 1945, and is here shown molding, with a valve box as the object of his affections.



Popeye Vergoni is one of our old-time molders, who, starting in 1923, had a two-year interruption, and then took up where he left off again in 1946. Big "Popeye" is our steady squeezer operator.