

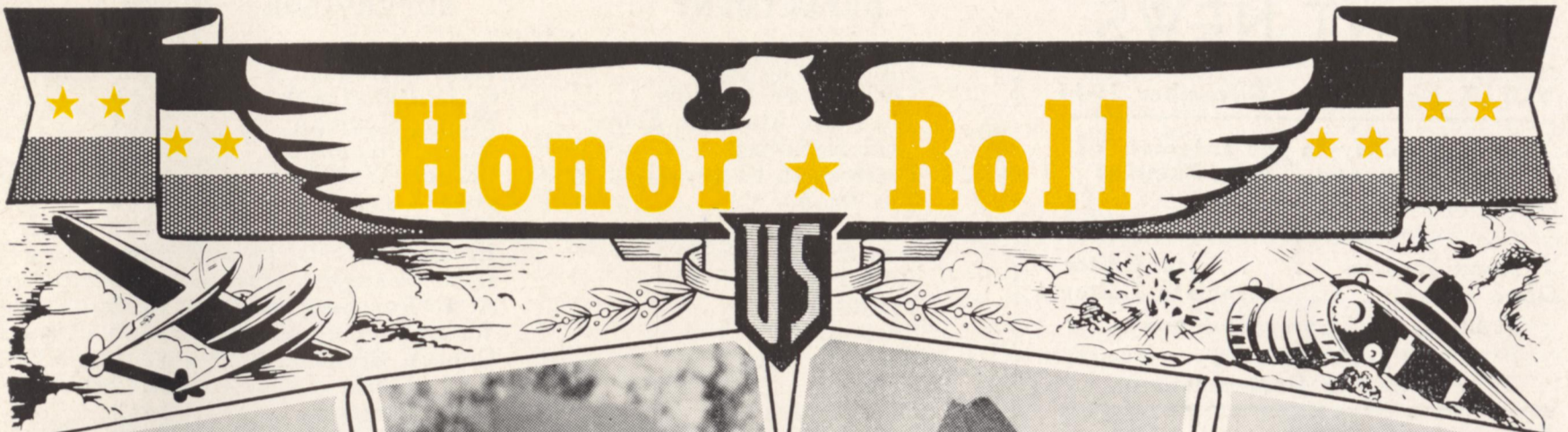
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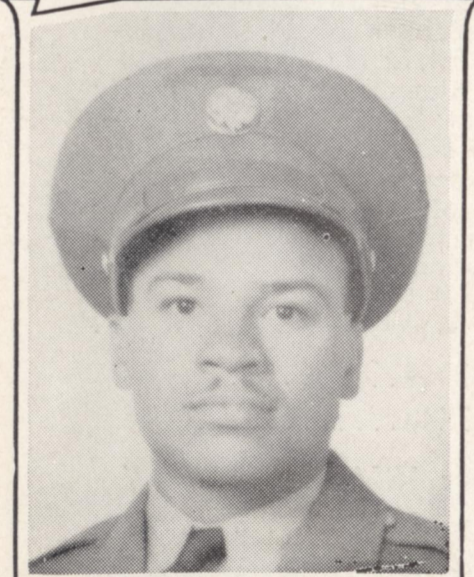
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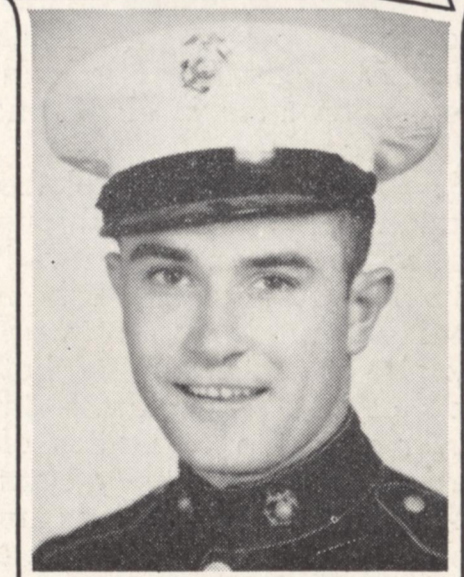
LT. FLOYD B. SMITTLE



CPL. PAUL N. LAYNE

These Wheeling Steel Boys
Have Given Their Lives . . .

Will You Lend Your Money
To Help The Cause For
Which They Died?



CPL. ROBT. E. HILEMAN



Every War Bond You Buy Now Will Speed The Day Of Victory
Keep Buying Over Here Till It's Over, Over There

Sgt. Evan LeGrand and Pvt. Lester E. Breech were reported killed in action after this picture was made.

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THANKSGIVING

In a world torn by war, bloodshed and strife, Americans are preparing to observe this Thursday, their traditional holiday—Thanksgiving.

True, the feasting and festivities ordinarily associated with Thanksgiving Day in other years, will be lacking this year, due to the absence of our sons, brothers and relatives who are fighting on battlefields all over the world.

To many it may seem, in the face of the awful turmoil about us, that there is nothing to be thankful for, but let us on this day not forget to give our thanks to God Almighty that our land has been spared the wrath of conquering invaders.

And in the face of all the privation and starvation throughout the world, let us be thankful that our harvest has been bountiful and our production of war materials on schedule so that the tide of battle has turned in our favor with the casualties of our armed forces relatively small for the scope of operations undertaken and the successes achieved.

Let us resolve to bend every effort during the coming months to the successful prosecution of the war effort and to use every available dollar for the purchase of War Bonds to the end that we may celebrate Thanksgiving in 1945 in the good old traditional manner, with all our boys at home and plenty of turkey with all the trimmings.

Safety Honor - Roll

This Record includes the days between the last lost Time Accident in your department and November 1, 1944

Table with 3 columns: DEPARTMENT, SUPERVISOR, Days Worked Without a Lost Time Accident. Lists various departments and supervisors with their respective days worked.

Summary table with 2 columns: Category and Value. Includes totals for first ten months of 1944 and 1943, and lost time accidents for October 1944 and 1943.

A GOOD HABIT

Safety is pretty much a habit. Acquire it—just as quickly as you can. It is a condition of mind, a state of "hazard awareness", a sort of "built-in" or acquired sense of alertness that is "on the job" every waking hour.

Three Soldiers From Portsmouth Works Killed In Action On Two Fronts

War was brought closer to the employees of Portsmouth Works during the past month when three of our fellow workers in service were killed in action on two fronts. Eight employees of the plant have now given their lives in the service of our country.

Pvt. Oakley Potts was killed in action somewhere in Germany on October 7. Pvt. Lester E. Breech also lost his life while fighting in Germany on October 13, and Sgt. Evan LeGrand was killed in the Burma war sector. No details were forwarded by the War Department.

Pvt. Potts came to work at the Portsmouth Plant in 1927 and took an active part in local athletic events, particularly baseball and sockball. He will be remembered as a catcher and first baseman on all the Wheeling Steel teams.

For the past ten years he had been employed in the Open Hearth Department where he was working as pitman and nozzle setter at the time of his induction for military service on June 28, 1943. Oakley was assigned to a medical unit of the 125th infantry and his outfit went overseas last October. He took part in the campaigns in France, Belgium, Holland and Germany.

He was the son of George Potts, steel pourer at the Open Hearth, and a brother of Floyd, who joined the navy the same month Oakley left for the army, was also employed as slagman in this department.

Pvt. Potts was 35 years of age and is survived by his wife, two children,



Carol Ann Lallow, age 2 months, granddaughter of Clyde Stockham, hot loader in the Bloomer. Carol Ann also has a soldier daddy and a lovely mother, although one would never think so from listening to grandpa.

Harold, 15 and Milton, 11, his parents and three brothers and three sisters.

Sgt. LeGrand, 28, was employed as a core maker in the Foundry since April, 1936. He entered service in December, 1942 and had been serving in a quartermaster corps in the India-Burma area for the past year and a half. He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter LeGrand, one sister, Mrs. William Brumfield, and a brother, Boyd LeGrand, a fireman with the navy in Alaska.

Pvt. Lester E. Breech, 25, was employed in March, 1943. He worked in Department 17 and later was transferred to the Wire Galvanizing Department where he was employed at the time of his induction for service in March, 1944. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Augusta Breech, three children, Dolly Mae, Rosemary and Earl Lester and a stepchild, Bobby Lee Moore. He also leaves a sister, and four brothers, two of whom are serving with our armed forces.



Robert F. Doerr and the late Stanley G. Hopkins, who was Employment Manager at the plant for many years. Bob has been connected with the Employment Office since 1922. This picture was taken in July, 1926.

Six Employees Join Our Armed Forces During October

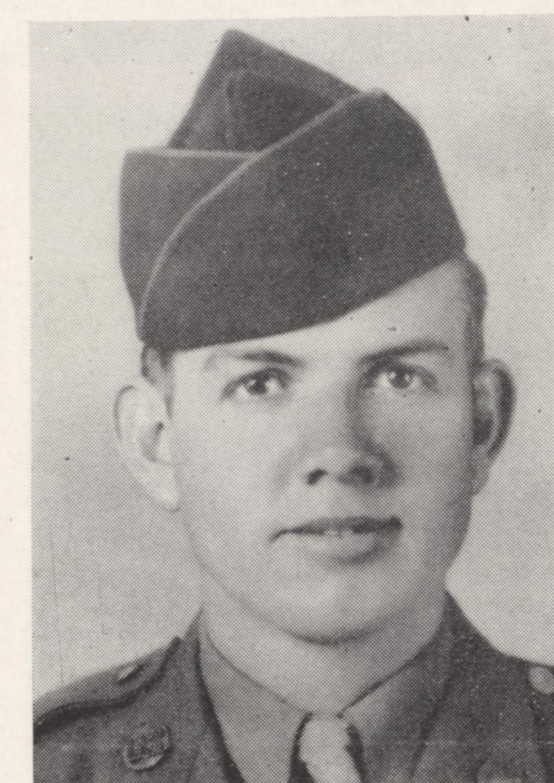
416 NOW IN SERVICE

Six employees from Portsmouth Works departed during October to begin their training for service with our armed forces. The total number now on active duty is four hundred and sixteen as three other employees received honorable discharges during the month.

Those answering the call to colors in October were Arthur C. Bentley, laborer in the Blooming Mill; Albert C. Brunner, ammonia still operator at the Coke Plant; Cecil C. Estep, second helper at the Open Hearth; Chester A. McManus, laborer in Department 16; Donovan Murta, helper in the Wire Galvanizing and Gene E. Graves, inspector in Department 17.

Following their discharge from service, Raymond Enix returned to his job as inspector and Ellis Collier went to work in Department 17. Conn Ison, who was also discharged from service, did not return to work.

We have lost track of many of the employees in service due to recent troop movements and request that the friends and relatives of these boys furnish us with their latest military addresses so we can continue to mail them the Plant News each month.



S/Sgt. Ellis "Pete" Setters died August 22 of wounds received in action somewhere in France. He was the son of Roy Setters, steel pourer helper at the Open Hearth, and son-in-law of Charles Fultz of the Road Mesh Department.



Range Boiler Welding Flashes

—by Walt Dressler



Please allow me in this issue to try and glorify the women and white collar guys in industry.

Jerome Bialosky, chemist, exercised his engineering ability recently and cut gaskets as a special favor to John Thornton, using his pen knife as a cutter. The effort produced a small blister on Jerry's finger which he displayed to the office force. The force requested Supt. Leon Bell to present Jerry with the Purple Heart or some other appropriate medal citing him for becoming injured in the performance of duties over and above his regular work.

Foreman Paul Reiser states that since women have been applicated to industry it adds a touch of home life to the job, as the girls passing to and fro reminds you of your wife, sister, etc., busy about the house. He says in fact, the reaction has cut absentees ninety per cent.

Pals: Jeff Casey, Columbus "Sherd" Fields and Henry Channel, modern Knights of the Round Table.

Orville Reiser, Augustus Collins, John Salisbury and Lew Bond met in The Kademenos Tea Room and formed the "Reconversion Club" with John Thornton as president. If a "squaker" develops in the shop, the club will contact his wife and determine what tactics to use to make him a satisfied workman. For membership cards, see Thornton.

Field and Stream (Relayed by

Harry Hunt). Foreman Milford Conley purchased a 200 pound hunting dog. He entered a field with the dog chained to his trouser belt to test it for "gun shy".

Off went the gun. Off went the dog. Off went the pants. And off went Milford to the high weeds.

Utopia of a post-war Range Boiler Shop. Robots moving boilers to the welding apparatus in large roomy independent welding booths. Refreshment stand with coffee and pop in the shop as a nip once or twice a day invigorates and helps to carry on. Dispatcherettes supplying us daily with time sheets. Foremen checking weekly as to your convenience and production suggestions.

Henry Lordier, "The Young Man" has been threatening me with publicity. Why you "ole" Barrel Shop indelible pencil licker, as you push those barrels into that bake oven and look in at that blazing inferno, you can picture me as none other than a little angel fluttering from barrel to barrel and defying those tormenting fires of hades.

The day was Sunday. A man, foot-sore and weary, trod up the main drag. He was bent over with fatigue. In each store he had entered he addressed the proprietor in a pleading voice and each proprietor looked him over from head to foot and shook his head violently in the negative as if to say "I know ye not". The man felt depressed and condemned. The man's name was John

Thornton and he was trying to purchase a package of cigarettes.

Our field office "dispatcherettes" wonder if chief clerk Lew Kent bosses the women folks around home as he does "us poor little ribbon pushers".

"7 come 11" Ed Brannon, was a railroader at 17. Fired engines 7 and 11. "Popped the question" at 7 P. M. and the next day rode horseback 11 miles and was married on the 7th day of the 7th month. Eld-est son born in 1911 with 7 years between the oldest and youngest in a family of 7. Has 11 brothers and sisters, 7 of whom are boys. Ed lost his mother when he was 11 and his father passed away at the age of 77.

Apply for gas and tires only on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays says Paul Davidson, our little old fat O.P.A. subsidiary at the Employment Office.

A sample production suggestion: You and I own automobiles. We drive them safely and we use caution as to keeping maintenance at a low cost by keeping it well lubricated, carburator adjusted for efficient consumption of gas and the body bolts tightened. To make a long story short you and I are the production chiefs over our autoes and our jobs. When our shop maintenance can be kept at a low cost it may then be possible to talk the superintendent into a shower bath, etc. Can you offer a suggestion?



Phyllis, 7, Bobbie, 9 and Charlene, 13, children of William Wheeler, charger operator at the Open Hearth.



Teresa Sickles, 7 month old niece of Roy Benner, Open Hearth ingot weighman. Her father is overseas with the U. S. Navy.



Mrs. John Johnson and son Robert Jean. Mr. Johnson is employed as foreman on the Nail Mill packing floor.



Blooming and Bar Mill Ingot Splashes

—by K. Cronin



Much favorable comment has been passed on the new arrangement of the clock room and we wish to add our congratulations to those persons responsible for this improvement.

Only one thing is lacking; now that the cards are always in the racks, why not permit the fellows to enter the gate at any reasonable time they arrive instead of holding out until the hour and eliminate this unnecessary last monute rush.

Adam reports that a certain guy was recently given a facial massage with a raw egg. We'll give you two guesses as to who the party was and considering the source of the information if you don't guess right the first time you should consult your local psychopathist.

Benny Thompson still wastes his time and lunch trying to fatten up Frank Lego.

It's still a very profitable proposition to exchange shot gun shells with Riley Johnson.

"Slim" Stroud is learning more each day about that mean little kid. He now knows the little boy's name is Arthur.

What's this we hear about Arthur Brock not knowing enough to get in out of the rain while he waits for his old side kick "Cyclone" Allen to stop for that "pause that refreshes".

John McDaniels predicts a hard winter and is very proud of all the

kraut of various kinds that he has made. Personally if we thought we wouldn't have anything to eat but mangoes, green tomato cabbage, turnip, and pumpkin kraut we would just as soon take our chance of living on a diet of snow balls.

Charles Thompson has returned to work after a brief vacation spent at various points along Harding Avenue or do we mean joints.

When it comes to rolling Charley has a pretty close rival at Essman's.

This is the month when—

Butch worked every pay day and layed off the day after, each time.

Stinkey went on a five day week when he hits day turn.

The Democrats held an election. Hunting season opened up.

We all smoked cigars in the Bloomer on that new tonnage record. 48,483 net tons in 688 hours. Try that on your wife's wash wringer some time.

"Mousey" Veach left his work clothes on the bus and had to work dressed up like an executive.

In view of the fact that Garret Holcomb suffered so much embassament over the picture in last month's issue, we have decided to sort of lay off of him for a while so we're not going to say a word about the time he giggered that wild cat on a paw-paw pole, or when he nearly drowned the old watchman by mining coal from under him on a sunken barge, nor about the road he built or the

trains he ran or the wild geese he shot and the football he played, or —No sir, our old pal, Hokum has been a pretty good sport about everything, so we're not going to say anything about him this month, or ever, unless he starts lying and that's just about impossible with our little chum, as to lie is to deceive, and brother, he don't deceive anybody.

We heard from Skinner. He's O. K. and still in the islands.

"Wes" wrote back from Utah telling of seeing a mountain lion while on his way to work. (We wouldn't have cared about seeing the lion, but we would have liked to have seen "Wes" when he saw it.)

Slim cleaned up on the boys at Hillsboro we hope as this was written two days before he went.

Alex locked his teeth and keys in his locker.

Pete inquired about the market quotation on tobacco sticks in Kentucky.

Earl made himself a new pipe and saw the Scioto froze over for the first time this year.

Ora developed heart trouble. He better get himself a paper doll and leave the fickle minded kind alone.

Strick's tom cat reformed and went to catching rats as there is nothing else left in life for him now.



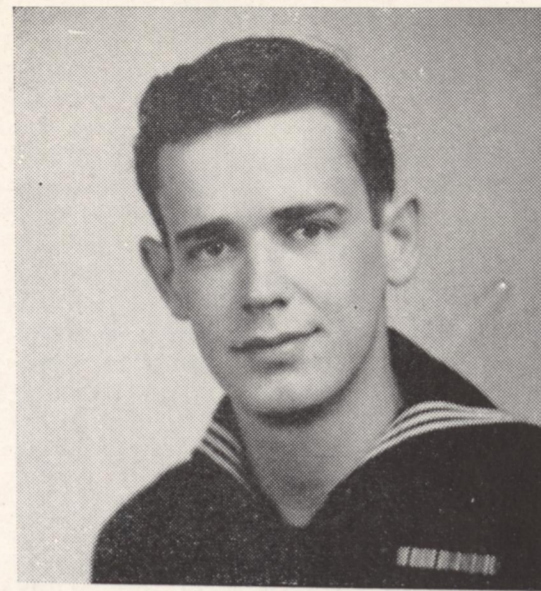
Pfc. Arthur Leo Tipton, former clerk in the Blooming Mill, is now with our armed forces somewhere in England.



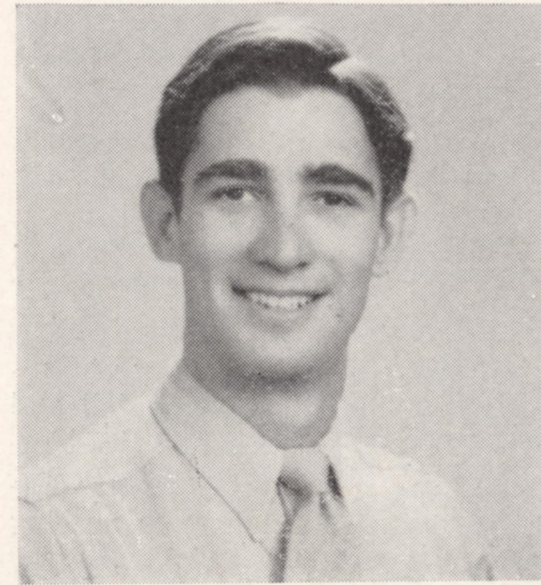
Robert C. McCarty, S 2/C in the Navy, is the son of Walter McCarty, laborer in the Blooming Mill.



Michael L. Bishop, son of Alfred L. Bishop and grandson of Ora Phillips, No. 4 Boiler House employee.



Robert Stegman, 19, GM 3/C on the cruiser U.S.S. Wilkes-Barre, is the youngest son of Elmer Stegman, Tie Plate Machine Shop Foreman.



Cpl. Elmer Stegman Jr. 21, another son of Elmer Stegman serving with our armed forces. He is a top turret gunner in the Air Corps.



Albert Dillow, loader at the Rod and Wire Mill, is now training for duty with the U.S. Navy at Great Lakes Naval Training Station.

HONOR ROLL



EMPLOYEES NOW IN THE ARMED SERVICES OF OUR COUNTRY

- ★ ABBOTT, JAMES F.
- ABBOTT, JOSEPH B.
- ABRAMS, HOMER
- ADAMS, ELMER P.
- ADAMS, PAUL D.
- AEH, KENNETH
- ALEXANDER, FERRY
- ALLEN, BERNARD
- ALLEN, EDGAR A.
- ALLEN, JAMES R.
- ALLMAN, ROY B.
- ANDREWS, ANGELO G.
- ARMSTRONG, CHAS. G.
- ARNOLD, RAMIE
- ARTHURS, THOS. J.
- ARTIS, HOMER
- ATKINS, EUGENE B.
- ATKINS, FRANK
- AUGUSTIN, J. WM.
- BAILEY, WALTER C.
- BAKER, VERNON D.
- BARBOUR, THOMAS
- BARRETT, RAYMOND
- BAUER, LAWRENCE
- BAYES, LEO W.
- BEASLEY, BEN
- BELL, RALPH
- BELL, ROBERT E.
- BELOAT, WESLEY E.
- BENNETT, FRANK J.
- BENTLEY, ARTHUR C.
- BERTRAM, DONALD
- BINION, RALEIGH
- BLACK, JOHN R.
- BLOOMFIELD, HARRY
- BOLOTTA, PHILLIP
- BLUME, RAYMOND
- BOGGS, HUBERT
- BOLTON, FLOYD
- BOLTON, RICHARD F.
- BOOP, NORMAN F.
- BORN, GEORGE E.
- BOTLES, ROY
- BRADLEY, HEINARD
- BRADY, ARDEN V.
- BRANHAM, HAROLD L.
- ★ BREECH, LESTER
- BRISKER, ROBERT
- BROOMHALL, PAUL
- BROWN, CECIL
- BROWN, NOAH L.
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- BRYANT, ORVILLE
- BURCHETT, LONNIE G.
- BURKHARDT, HARRY
- BURLING, ENGENE
- BURTON, HAROLD E.
- BURTON, NAGEL
- BUSSEY, GEORGE F.
- BUSSLER, FRANK
- BYRD, ATO L.
- BYRNE, JOHN J.
- CAINES, MYRON R.
- CALL, WILLIAM D.
- CANTER, CECIL
- CARR, WILLIAM E.
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- CORNWELL, RALPH B.
- COX, BANNON
- CRAFT, OWEN
- CRULL, TRUXTON
- CRUM, ASBURY A.
- CULLEN, ANDREW
- CUNNINGHAM, JACK
- CUNNINGHAM, MILFORD
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- STATEN, RAY H.
- STARKS, GODFREY
- STEINBACHER, DONALD
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- STRICKLAND, JASPER
- SUTER, THOMAS E.
- SWITALSKI, JOSEPH
- SWORDS, HERMAN L.
- TABOR, PHIRL
- TAYLOR, CHAS. A. JR.
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- THATCHER, EUGENE
- THOMAS, CLIFTON J.
- THOMPSON, THURMAN
- TIPTON, LEO
- TRACY, CHARLES
- TRAYLOR, HERBERT R.
- TRENDE, DONALD
- TRIMMER, ROBERT
- VAN CUREN, CLAYTON
- VAUGHN, WINFRED
- VAUGHN, RAYMOND
- VEST, EVERETT
- VICARS, CLAUDE
- VULGAMORE, ROBT. A.
- WAGGONER, ELZA A.
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- WHITE, JAS. WILBUR
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- WILSON, HOWARD
- WOHLER, WENDELL
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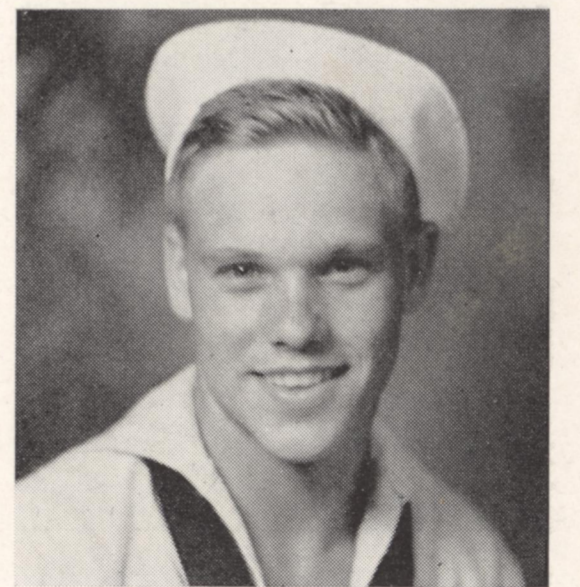
★★ Missing in Action



Lt. Olus H. Stanley, son of Homer Stanley, paint foreman, has been stationed in England with the Air Corps for the past 2½ years.



Phillip Bolotta, serving with the Army Engineers in the South Pacific was an employee of the Yard who entered the Army last October.



Frank Green Jr. is serving with the Navy in the South Pacific. He is the son of Frank Green, checker in the Barrel Department.

Coke Plant Breezes

—by John Payton

Well, the election is over, the Sixth War Loan drive is on, and did you purchase an extra bond? If not, sit down and give it a good think. I believe I am safe in saying that every man at the Coke Plant can purchase an extra bond within the next thirty days if he will. And remember, you're only making an \$18.75 loan. You are not giving any one, anything. Let's go!

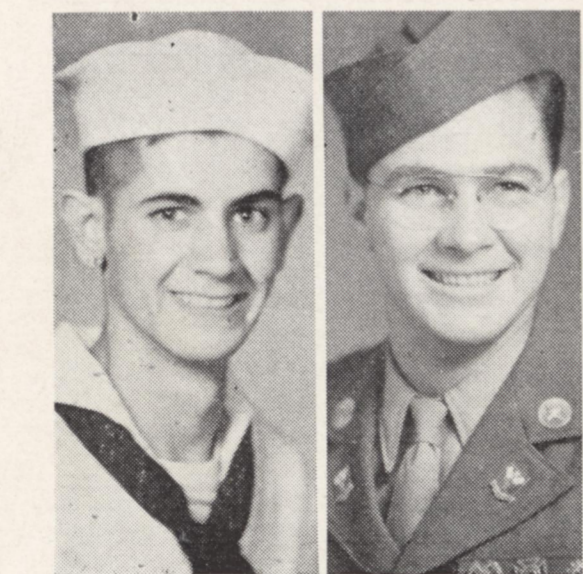
The boys on the Ovens declare that since the election they have found that some candidates can lie faster than a Kentuckian can pick a Banjo, and that's fast.

It finally leaked out that a certain spray man named Kelly went home for supper about one hour early only to find that it was not ready. Finding a bucket of water on the table, he proceeds to spray the whole kitchen. After being forced to mop it all up, supper was served at 9:30 p. m. Kelly states he has learned that it won't work and says he will NEVER throw another bucket of water from one end of the house to the other anymore.

If you want to learn more about gardening, see Bill Burns. Bill insists he sold 11 bushels of beans, 10 bushels of tomatoes and \$12.00 worth of corn off of a garden 20 feet square, and didn't like it when all the oven men laughed.

Is Lick Colvin sure the squirrel he found in his dinner bucket was squirrel, or was it opossum. Why not see Dutch Meyers, as he seems to know more about it than any one else.

Johnnie Martin will tell you that



Lawrence Yeley, Jr. S 2/c in the Navy and brother Pfc. Paul Richard Yeley who is serving in the Southwest Pacific. They are sons of Lawrence Yeley, wire drawer in the Wire Mill.

the O. P. A. is still functioning. It is reported that he sold his car for \$175.00 above the ceiling price and was forced to return it to the buyer.



On September 25, 1944 when this picture was taken, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Kelly celebrated their 56th wedding anniversary. Mr. Kelly came to Portsmouth from Ironton in 1921 as brick mason foreman for the Portsmouth Solvay Coke Company. He was retained in this capacity when the plant was purchased by the Wheeling Steel Corporation and is still active as a foreman in the Coke Department. Mr. Kelly is now 84 years of age and his wife is past 78. The employees of the Coke Plant extend to Mr. and Mrs. Kelly their congratulations and wish them many, many more happy years of wedded life.

Well Johnnie, I'll say you are a good salesman anyhow. Did you ever hear of the B. M.?

Ask Dave Widdig who the needle artist is that sewed up his coat sleeves.

"Hello, hello, William Creech speaking, and I want to report off for the afternoon." Twenty minutes later. "Hello, Bill Creech talking and I want to report back on today. I just met my wife downtown and we talked it over and decided to compromise. I'm coming out, but she won't catch me next time."

It was told for the truth that Buck Thompson lost his anvil, but was standing right over it, and after stepping back far enough to see it,

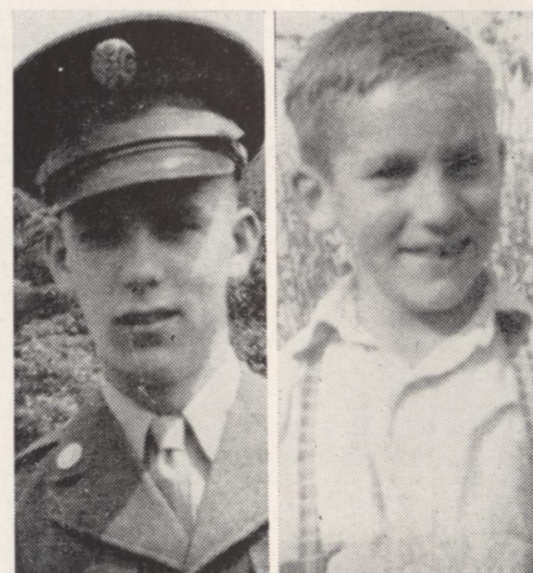
was so far away from it he could not reach it and the iron got cold and had to be reheated. I don't know the "why" for all of this, but maybe you do.

No sir, John McLeod don't make his trips to Huntington as often as he used to. We don't know whether it is a shortage of gasoline, over crowded busses or whether or not the pretty nurse has left town.

Did you know that Red Tipton carried a dollar in change in his pocket to bet on the election? Well, he did and the gang said he made ten very successful bets. Be careful Red, as a man can go broke gambling.

October 19, 1919, a very fine man came to the Coke Plant to work. The same day of the same month in 1944, he left the plant after being with us 25 years to the day. Burt Brunner has joined the U. S. Navy the second time in defense of our country. He was a sailor in World War No. 1 and is back in the Navy again in World War No. 2. Burt was well liked by all the men in the plant and I am sure we wish him good luck as he goes to war the second time in our behalf. He is the second man to leave the B. P. Department in the past few weeks, Milton McAdams being the other one. Burt, I believe all of the boys miss you very much, and will be happy when this war is over and you can return. Make every lick count where you are, the same as you did here, and I am sure it won't be long.

Well the big day is over, all bets have been paid. Let's all come back to earth, Buy Another Bond, and do all we can to win this war that we may be able to Keep America, America.



Carl L. Wilson, 19, stationed at Camp Cooke, California and his brother George, 8. They are sons of Patrolman Charles L. Wilson.

Rod Mill Cobbles

—by Joseph Wetta

Why does Cecil (Curley for short) Lintz always bring some apples to eat around nine o'clock every day. Who does he think he is, anyway?

Henry Waring was off on election day, but he came back safe and sound.

Staty shaved his misplaced eyebrow the morning of November 8. Why look like Dewey now?

Among other things, Doc Sanders really knows his politics. For the next election consult Doc Sander's Poll. He knows all and sees all.

Bill Thurston just about run the wheels off of that Buick. Bill and the car went one way and the wheels went the other.

Cheer up, Rockwell, you can try it again next time. Everyone can't win.



Three New Boston boys who met somewhere in Italy. Sgt. Haro'd Barte, son of Morton Barte, locomotive fireman; Cpl. Richard Hatton, son of Jack Hatton, crane operator, and Sgt. Bob Cassity.

Brick Mason News

—by "A Boot"

Who is the hardest loser on election bets? We understand that Bob won't pay off and he was only holding the money.

We understand Earl Moore lost everything but his shirt betting on the presidential election and they even tried to get that.

How come they changed Bob, the bricklayer's name to "Bugs"?

That is not a statue in the Brick Mason shanty. It's Frank Polly and Bill Fannin playing checkers, and Polly is waiting for Bill to move.

There is a miracle being performed at a local hospital. It is the first time in history that a hospital ever mended a broken heart.

How come that Johnnie changed over from cats to dogs?

Judge Ball, who is in a hospital taking a rest, writes that he is getting along fine. He says he is eating everything in sight and gaining lots of weight. Good going, Judge, we are pulling for you.

Fish and Pike must have done pretty good with their trading stock. It has been rumored that they are eating plenty of pancakes.

We understand that Ed Tipton has invited all the boys out to another big butchering party, or is it going to be another slaughter? Don't give all the meat away this time, Ed.



Leonard Adkins, 18, tail gunner in the naval air force, is stationed at Portsmouth, N. H. He is the son of Virgil Adkins, skull cracker helper in the Open Hearth Department.

Carpenter Shavings

—by W. L. Ross

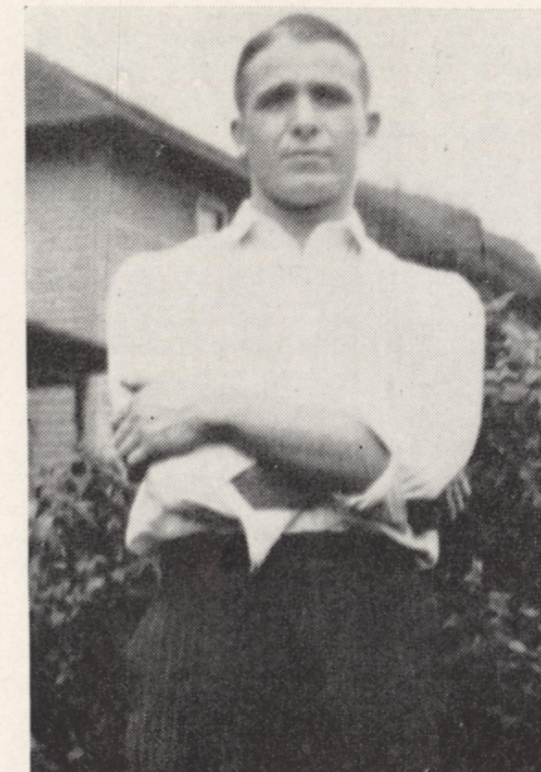
Ancel Hickman is really some fisherman. He went down on lower Brush Creek the other day and brought back 35 pounds of fine crappies. Pretty good day Hick.

Ollie Pucket spent a couple of days visiting his son John, who is now stationed at the Norfolk Naval Air Base. Ollie reports a swell trip and says he saw a lot of big "Waves" on the Ocean.

We have heard from our two representatives in service, Challis Peyton and Asbury Crum. Challis who has been in some of the hardest battles in France, has now been sent back to England to recuperate. Crum is back in North Africa and sends regards to all his friends.

Chivalry isn't dead yet. Gene Emmett, our popular Plant News Editor, is a regular Sir Walter Raleigh. While waiting for a bus the other day, Mr. Emmett braved the cold weather, removed his overcoat, and as there wasn't any mud to lay it in, he folded the coat up nicely and laid it on the wall for a couple of nice young ladies to sit on.

We have always heard how the people of Texas were quick on the trigger, but George Vanhorn states that the rattle snakes down there are so quick that you can shoot at them with a gun and if you come within six inches of their head they will grab the bullets in their mouth. Some baloney George.



This is a picture of Elmer the Great when he was in his prime and carried the ball for dear old Glenwood Hi.

His feats of the gridiron are history we're told, Because Elmer the Great is now getting old.

He started out in life a great man to be And wound up a brick mason such as we never did see.

With a hammer in one hand and a trowel in the other He can spread black stuff like it was butter.

This is the life history of Elmer the Great

Don't show it to your children, they might make a mistake. And be like this man called Elmer the Great.

Nail Mill Whiskers

By Nosey, Newsy and ★

"Lightning" Hale seems to think the Safety day meetings quite an event. Or perhaps he thinks cleanliness is next to safety. His buddies give him a hand in fixing up, beginning a half-hour in advance. Bud gives Lightning a shower. Dutch shaves him and gives a massage. Rickey shines his shoes and slicks his hair (?) in place while "Lightning" gives himself a manicure. He never brings limburger on this day either. We're really proud of our safety man.

"Red" Semones is a most truthful man altho some may think otherwise. We beg you to be more tolerant of "Red" and not judge him by his looks.

Ed Womack and Joe Legg had a row recently and Ed won by a nose. Some nose Ed had for a while. Jimmie Durante and W. C. Fields would be envious.

Speaking of races, Al Deering of the Cooper Shop is quite a sprinter. He sprinted from the Cooper shop to the store room in record time, but Harry Middaugh says he still isn't quite fast enough.

Marion Barnhart woke up one night with the moon shining brightly into his room and observed a hand resting upon the foot rail of his bed. After hiding his head under the covers a while, Marion got up enough courage to look again. The hand was still there, so slipping his hand beneath his pillow he drew his pistol. He roared "Take that hand away, or I'll fire." The hand didn't move, so Marion fired and shot off two of his toes.



Myra, 6, daughter of Pearl Malone, pitman at the Open Hearth.

Rod & Wire Electrical

—by Howard Pherson

"Sayeth" Seth to Bill Livingston, "Say now, just what do you do around here? You go around all dressed up just like that millwright boss."

Doc Sanders says he should be called "Asketh" instead of "Sayeth". Two of the gang rode "Sayeth" home from work one day. Herb Tipton then gave him a pep talk. The next day "Sayeth" moved. Now he refuses to tell anyone his new address, not even the boss so that it can be put in the file.

George Cole reports Henry Clutter as married. What, no cigars, Henry?

Bert Tipton says it is only nine more days till pay day.

L. V. Smith arrived home all safe and sound. Says this is a nice country and reports planting a garden while out West.

Someone must have given Joe Wetta a pep talk because he sure had a lot of news in the last issue after being conspicuously absent for a couple of months.

Cliff "Spider" Hamilton's dog seems to be running away with all the prizes.

Foundry Castings

—by Harold Wiseman

Wanted: Bait that is guaranteed to catch fish. Spears has been trying to hook one on Sundays for a long while now, but so far he has had no luck. Better try Monday, grandpappy.

Fat Kayser brags that he is a self-made man, but we think the job needs some finishing touches.

We have been listening to a lot of those "I told you so's" which seem to follow every election.

The Foundry employees extend their sincere sympathy to Lawrence Cooper in the recent death of his wife.

We have noticed that every time Bob Wolfe goes out of the shop he automatically looks across the river. We guess it's just home sickness for "them thar Kentucky hills".

One recent foggy morning while on his way to work, Gordon Chasteen strayed from the beaten path of the highway and landed along side of same near a culvert, and we noticed that it was nearly noon before the green coloring faded from under Johnny Jones' ears. Was you scared, Johnny?

Open Hearth News

—by Raison and Frantz

Harold Schwable, Forest Shultz and Harold Booth attended the Ohio State-Great Lakes football game, which in itself was fine, but during a tense moment Mr. Booth emulating a dive bomber landed in the cinder path. Fortunately nothing was hurt but his feelings.

Raison says Mrs. Haney should be awarded a merit badge for that fine pie Haney carries in his bucket.

"Swig" Davis and the "Screaming Midget" were seen conferring. No doubt matters of great importance were being discussed.

"Wall Flower" Clare is still eating out of Mr. Stapleton's bucket.

Those newly etched lines one sees on Raymond Prior's face are due to the terrific strain he was under on November 7.

"Okie Dokie" Sprague reports many fish were caught on his recent vacation which he spent on the river bar.

Neither worry or strain can erase that charming smile which Oakley Messer, that dynamic personality of the Open Hearth, carries continually on his handsome profile.

George Williams swapped watches with Dick Dudit and now Dick says the watch is gradually disintegrating. First the crystal was missed; then the chain ring disappeared and now Dick shudders every time he looks at the timepiece.



Cashene O'Hara, 5 months, daughter of John O'Hara, conveyor man at the Coke Plant.

Barrel Shop Bulletins

—by "The Young Man"

Noah Brown, a former millwright who is now in the navy, was a recent visitor at the shop. He was looking fine and the boys were mighty glad to see him.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Rucker of Egbert Stop, recently bought a new home on Hayport Road and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Fulk purchased a new home on Seventh Street in Portsmouth.

Hobart Preston has returned to his job after being detained at home for several weeks because of illness. Welcome back, "Hobe".

Stanley Crabtree recently returned to the shop after an absence of a number of years. The boys are glad to see "Stan-back".

Every day Talmage Riffe insists that the Barrel Shop is the busiest place in New Boston.

The new line in the shop has been placed in operation and it's a grand sight to see the wheels turning and the barrels rolling off.

Vivian Smith has taken a job as inspector on the new line.

Fred Sommers and Harley Vogler recently accepted jobs as foremen on the paint floor. Congratulations. We're confident both of you will make good.

Tom Moore has taken a job as inspector on the old line replacing Orvel "Fat" McGarey, who is now foreman on the new line.

Raymond Sommers and William Hook, well known welders, have taken jobs as foremen on the old line.

Roy Akers recently bought a "baby farm" on Charles Street in Portsmouth. Friends says he plans to raise a lot of cane, cabbages and cucumbers next season. However, they predict it will be mostly "cain".

Big Bill Davis recently made a nice, neat and nifty pair of suspenders out of an old inner-tube of a bicycle tire. He says "they feel so comfortable and are so easy on the draw he is going to get a patent on them."

Russell Sparks, a former employee of the shop, has been wounded in France. He received the Purple Heart which he has sent to his father, Charles F. Sparks of Mabert Road.

Friends of James Everman report that he has adopted the new South Shore, Kentucky fall fashion style of going without shoes and sometimes even without pants. What about it, Jim?



Florence, 3 and Marshia, 11 months, daughters of Ollie Zornes, helper in Department 17.

Wire Galvanizing Scrap

—by Bernice Stamper

If you are planning on a trip to Pittsburgh, get in touch with Bob Smith. He can tell you how one fellow made a round trip on a one dollar bill.

Rollen (Bring 'Em Back Alive) Stamper is building a trap to capture the wild animal reported to be roaming around Kentucky recently.

Years ago he built a trap and hauled it out in the hills to catch another animal that was loose and almost got caught himself.

Harlan (Bla Bla) Moore says the most sickening thing he ever saw was Clarence Tucker drinking sweet milk with salt in it.

Jim Soldaty says the only way any team can beat the Wire Galvanizer bowling team is to let Charlie Dean keep score.

David (Big Foot) Shover never goes hunting on election day. It seems that he and the missus take opposite sides in politics and back in 1932 they agreed not to vote as they would kill each other's vote. So Big Foot decided to go hunting, only to return after the polls closed and learn that his wife voted anyway.

Sammy Bolotta says he is saving money since Charlie Arthurs is working straight afternoon turn.

Charlie Weaver says anything you say about the Wire Galvanizer crew couldn't be exaggerated. Charlie just recently learned what F.D.R. stands for.

Pete Wallace has been nursing two broken bones in his right hand sustained in a slugging match with a mule.

It's really terrible the way Mike Haas throws his snuff around on the bus. Mike says it's a good eye opener.



Nathan Frazie, trackman, and his son Virgil, seaman first class in the Navy.

Mechanical Musings

—by F. Etterling

Conspicuous by its absence in the General Machine Shop is the cheery smile and greeting of our old friend Arthur Ridings, who was taken by death on October 24.

Well known for his good nature and friendliness Art will be missed by all who knew him. He first came to work at the plant on January 5, 1915, under Henry Scott in the Galvanizing Department where he worked diligently until that department discontinued operation in 1937, and he was transferred to the Machine Shop.

Art was always willing and accommodating and reacted favorably to the usual amount of "joshing" that is inevitably aimed at a man of such amiable disposition. He never carried a grudge and was always willing to shake hands, even though he might have gotten the shady end of a discussion. He will long be remembered by his fellow-workers and the management.

Leonard Slaydon, engine repairman, has had to set up with a sick friend every Sunday night for the past year. Albert Ray and James Bailey are wondering when he will get well so they can have a Sunday off.

William Price, Boiler Shop, has returned to work after spending his annual vacation with his son who is home on furlough from the Army Air Corps. Young Price is a gunner on a B-17 and has flown 57 missions over Germany.

James "Bill" Hollen recently visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas White. Mrs. White knew her horse and two cows consumed a large amount of food, but she never dreamed that Bill could eat all three of them.

SEND IN THAT SUGGESTION

COMPARISON OF SUGGESTIONS RECEIVED WITH QUOTA OF SUGGESTIONS EXPECTED For Period MAY 1, 1943 to OCTOBER 31, 1944

DEPARTMENT	No. of Suggestions Received	Quota of Suggestions Expected	% of Quota For Year
Rod & Wire	421	240	175
Coke Plant	42	60	70
Blast Furnace	12	30	40
Yard	35	89	39
Department No. 17	17	80	21
Bbl. & Rg. Boiler	18	90	20
General	38	240	16
Blooming & Bar	9	60	15
Mechanical	19	180	11
Inspection	9	90	10
Open Hearth	9	90	10
Electrical	6	90	7
Salvage	1	20	1
TOTAL	636	1359	47

Since the formation of your local Production Drive Committee several hundred suggestions have been received; many had meritorious value and were placed in operation, others were rejected as being impracticable, while a number are being held due to scarcity of materials.

No matter how insignificant it may seem to you, if you have a suggestion in mind that might increase production, contact your Department Chairman at once—he will gladly assist you.

World War II is a mechanized war—the need for BOMBERS, TANKS and GUNS is as great today as ever. It is known that the drive in THE PACIFIC was delayed due to the shortage of fighting material. As recently as October 25, 1944 General Eisenhower in a telegram to The Cincinnati Ordnance Office and transmitted to the local Steel Plant urged: "If humanly possible all production schedules be maintained and increased. A failure in this flow of fighting equipment would seriously interfere with operations in THE PACIFIC".

**LET'S ALL BE GOOD AMERICANS
ON THE HOME FRONT.**

HELP INCREASE PRODUCTION.

SAVE ALL MATERIAL POSSIBLE.

**BUY AT LEAST ONE EXTRA BOND DURING
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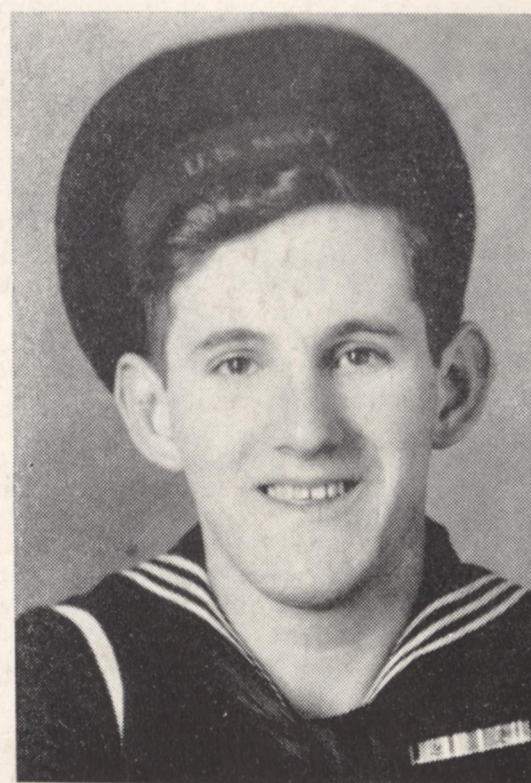
..BUY A WAR BOND..



Cpl. Randolph D. Sparks, son of William Sparks, degreaser operator in the Barrel Shop, is serving with our armed forces in France. He has been overseas eleven months.



Betty Bradshaw, 19, is employed in the Navy Department at Washington, D. C. She is the daughter of William Bradshaw, oven man at the Coke Plant.



Luther Craft Jr. S 1/C is on duty with the Navy somewhere in the Atlantic. He is the son of Luther Craft, shearman in the Barrel Shop.