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About That Income Tax

Millions of American workmen this year will have—for the first time—the privilege of paying an income tax to the government; their share of the financial burden of war.

On March 15 every single man or woman who earns \$500 a year or more and every married person with an income of \$1,200 or more must file a tax return with the Collector of Internal Revenue even though he may not have to pay anything.

The worker must pay taxes on the balance of income remaining after he has deducted his personal exemption, an allowance for earned income and certain other items such as church contributions. The personal exemption is \$500 for single persons, \$1,200 for the head of a family and \$350 for each dependent other than wife. The normal tax rate is six per cent plus a surtax of 13 per cent in the lowest income class.

Some typical examples of what must be paid are these: an unmarried errand boy who earns \$600 a year will owe Uncle Sam \$15; a married apprentice with earnings of \$1,500 and no children must put up \$48; a married machinist with one child who has drawn down \$2,500 is due for a \$166 payment; a married superintendent with two children who is paid \$3,500 will remit \$283.

These taxes are in addition to the Victory Tax which extracts five per cent from the paycheck of everyone earning \$624 a year or more. Depending on his marital status, up to 42 per cent of this tax will be refunded at the end of the year if the taxpayer can show he has invested a like amount in War Bonds, insurance or personal debts.

No one likes to pay taxes but few persons will begrudge paying these because all of us are solidly behind the purpose for which they are being

spent. The workman who has been cashing fat paychecks for months will cheerfully fork over his share of the cost of the weapons with which America's fighting men are hammering at the Nazis and Japs on land and sea. As Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau, Jr., says:

"Every American should pay his share of these taxes gladly and proudly as a personal contribution in this great battle for our liberties and for the freedom of our children and our children's children."

Safety Honor - Roll

This Record includes the days between the last Lost Time Accident in your department and February 1, 1943

Table with 3 columns: DEPARTMENT, SUPERVISOR, Days Worked Without a Lost Time Accident. Lists various departments like Coke By-Product, Nail Galvanizing, etc., and their respective supervisors and accident-free days.

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Lost Time Accidents for January 1942 1

Armed Forces Take Thirty - Two More Employees During January

274 NAMES NOW ON SERVICE HONOR ROLL

During the month of January an additional thirty-two employees from Portsmouth Works answered the call to the colors and left to take up military training in various branches of our armed forces throughout the country. With the exception of four volunteers the group consisted of selectees and raised the number of employees now in service to two hundred and seventy-four.

Among the four volunteers was one young lady from the Order Department at Main Office, Miss Lena Kallner who enlisted in the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps, known as the WAAC's. Robert H. Huffman, from Department 17, volunteered for duty with the army. Ova A. Ferguson, brick mason in the Mason Department and Ralph Bell, patcher in the Barrel Shop are now in service with the U. S. Navy.

The following twenty-eight employees were inducted for military duty and are now taking their basic training at various army camps:

George Webb, gang leader in the Brick Mason Department.

Earl Heil, machine operator in the Rod Mesh Department.

Richard E. Going, time keeper at the Time Office.

George E. Holcomb, patrolman in the Police Department.

Raymond Enix, assorter in the Spike Mill Department.

Jesse A. Wilson, third helper in the Open Hearth Department.

Clyde Huffman, patrolman in the Police Department.

Loren D. Frasher, laborer in Department 17.

Edgar A. Allen, machinist apprentice in the Mechanical Department.

James T. Jones, time keeper at the Time Office.

John L. Wilking, switchman in the Yard Department.

Wilbur E. Cooper, laborer in Department 17.

Joseph Clawson, laborer in the Open Hearth Department.

Basil B. Lewis, rougher in Department 17.

Clyde E. Parlin, laborer in the Yard Department.

Toner McElroy, switchman in the Yard Department.

John R. Evans, laborer in Un-

assigned Labor Department.

J. William Augustin, laborer in the Barrel Department.

Clifton O. Hall, laborer in Unassigned Labor Department.

Forrest E. Lewis, motor inspector helper in the Electrical Department.



Capt. Ross M. Gault, formerly physician at the plant, is now serving with our armed forces.

James E. Green, laborer in Unassigned Labor Department.

Ollie D. Ridout, laborer in the Wire Drawing Department.

Philip T. West, laborer in Unassigned Labor Department.

Ralph Hempill, motor inspector helper in the Electrical Department.

Herman L. Swords, laborer in the Rod Mill Department.

William J. Devlin, helper in the Nail Mill Department.

Frank Atkins, laborer in the Barbed Wire Department.

Leonard Dixon, rod handler at the Rod Mill Department.



Mrs. Howard Pherson and daughter Arlene Eloise, 14. Howard is employed as motor inspector at the Rod Mill.

Wheeling Steel Radio Programs Continue

"It's Wheeling Steel" the coast to coast family radio program originating at Wheeling, continues to be broadcast each Sunday from 5:30 to 6:00 P. M. It is heard over the Blue Network and locally over Station WPAY.

This program features employee headliners in addition to such attractions as the Steele Sisters, the Singing Millmen, Tommy Whitley and his Musical Steelmakers orchestra and the lovely contralto voice of Regina Colbert, the Singing Stenographer. If you have not heard Regina sing, you are missing a real radio treat.

LOCAL BAND ON AIR EVERY MONDAY NIGHT

The regular Monday night broadcast by the Employees Band of Portsmouth Works is heard each week over Station WPAY from 7:30 to 8:00 P. M. This half hour program consists entirely of selections by the plant band and includes marches, overtures and popular numbers. The local program is under the direction of Ray Adams.



Ruth Ann, 6 and Clotine, 2, granddaughters of Tom Journey, tar plant employee of the Coke Works.

No Ceiling On Production! No Rationing Of Effort!

The sky's the limit, boys! Any ceiling under that is not worthy the all-out effort of the boys who carry the guns, sink the submarines, destroy the ships and deliver the bombs on Hitler and Hirohito.

More and more, better and better, greater and greater production—that is our necessary part in the war effort. We must furnish the tools for those hands, ready and waiting to smash the Axis hordes who are menacing the lives of our soldiers, our allies and ourselves and who would take our freedoms and our democratic way of living from us, our children and our grandchildren. . . .

There is no ceiling on our production! The most we can produce is not enough to replace the lives and efface the horrors and tragedies that have resulted from the war machines of our enemies. But the most we can produce will be that additional step toward their unconditional surrender, the final and complete victory which must be ours.

We on the production fronts are not called upon for the sacrifices of our fighting men or the miseries of war-torn areas, but we must make ourselves worthy of these sacrifices made for us by doing our share toward the war effort and on the home front. No obligation we can assume, no sacrifice we can make, no work we can do, can equal their twenty-four hour days of production herculean efforts of mind and body, spending life itself, that we might remain free people in a free country.

We must not ration our effort, giving just part of ourselves, when we are on the job of production. Every thought of our minds, movement of our bodies, skill of our hands, must be applied in the most efficient manner to produce more and more, better and better.

Is there some step in your work that could be made easier and quicker. Is there some way you could complete your process faster and better? Is there some manner in which total production could be

stepped up, even in a small degree?

Your suggestions, through your knowledge and experience in our own lines, are valuable. If one tiny cog moves faster, the whole machine is in higher gear and the entire output is increased. Have you thought of a way to put more into production, to get more out of it? Drop your suggestion in the V-shaped box, for your contribution to that final victory.

Through every part of every process, through every step down all the lines, in every packing case that carries a finished product, is the thought that some day, somewhere, a group of our own soldiers will stake their very lives on the things we make. We must make them perfectly, plentifully—lives depend on our production, perhaps the life of your son, your brother, the man who used to work beside you. . . .

Our boys in blue and khaki can't stop short of victory as they do their job; nor can we stop until we do our best, or more, in our jobs which furnish them the implements with which to do their work of vanquishing the enemy and winning the victory.

The manner and quantity in which we produce is the greatest token we can give them of our cooperation with their efforts, the proof they need that the methods and manner and heart of our people and our country are worth fighting for.

With entire nations mobilized to fight for your freedom, with thou-

Production Drive Honor Roll

The following employees have contributed suggestions in an effort to do their part to help win the war.

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|------------------|-------------------|
| S. Dixon, Jr.—5 | C. E. Howell |
| Forest Plymale—4 | Paris Wicker |
| Thos. Hileman—4 | O. Skidmore |
| M. F. Boone—4 | Ernest Mitchell |
| Eugene Atkins—3 | H. E. Baughman |
| Walter Orsban—3 | Norman Crose |
| W. McCoy—2 | Beecher Salyer |
| W. J. Hunt—2 | Geo. H. Wilburn |
| Chas. Neff—2 | Harold E. Elrod |
| Oney Brown—2 | R. F. Doerr |
| Homer Bussa | Leonard Conklin |
| Chester Smith | A. Mathis |
| Leonard Lightner | Orville Stewart |
| F. S. Lantz | Wiley Rister |
| Leslie Doyle | Wm. Burns |
| Carl Carver | Burleigh Coldiron |
| James Davis | John Hall |
| N. Gilmore | Vincent J. Tose |
| J. W. Payton | Leslie Hughes |
| R. A. Buffinger | Geo. Channell |
| E. H. Peirce | Donald Horsley |
| C. E. Delph | Carl Delabar |
| H. Castor | James Slone |
| T. Thomas | Earl Moore |
| C. C. Scott | Harold Frecka |
| Eldon Deemer | Ed. Butler |
| C. G. Horn | Charles Hoberg |
| Earl Moxley | Pat. A. Bocook |
| J. J. Caveney | Bascom Mills |
| L. A. Doyle | Henry Frazee |
| Edgar Tipton | Gordon S. Lowe |
| H. E. Bertram | John Bayes |
| Walter S. Elrod | Virgil White |
| Joe Romanello | ANONYMOUS—9 |

sands dying that you might not be slaves, with countries ravaged and laid waste that you can live unscoured by the Axis war machine, with millions enduring hunger, plague and mutilation when, but for their being victims of barbarous war-lords, the horror of total war would fall fully on you—with these conditions confronting our soldiers and our allies, our sweat and toil is little enough to offer to balance their blood and tears.

We must not fail in our responsibility of production—that is our contribution to our country and to the world of freedom and to the integrity value and majesty of mankind itself.

The little more—how much it is!—your morale, the beating of your heart in a mighty surge to victory!

E. B. JACKSON,
E. B. CAMPBELL.

Production Drive Committee

YARD & TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

	Representing Wheeling Steel Corporation	Representing United Steel Workers of America
Dept. Committee	E. B. Campbell	E. B. Jackson
Sub-Committees		
Transportation		
1st turn	E. R. Smith	Oscar Smith
2nd turn	Ora Slavens	Fred Riffe
3rd turn	Elmer Staten	Frank Dodd
Loco. Cranes	W. W. Kress	Leslie Hughes
Track Labor	Joe Romanello	Carl Hughes
Track Labor	Chas. Elkins	Jerome Born
Yard Labor	Milburn Boone	Henry Spencer

Suggestion Box Score

May 1st 1942 to January 31st, 1943

	NUMBER OF SUGGESTIONS			
	Under			
Department	Submitted	Approved	Consideration	Rejected
Rod & Wire	40	23	8	9
Coke Plant	13	6	1	6
Bbl. & Rg. Boil.	7	1	2	4
Yard	8	4	3	1
Blooming Mill	8	3	2	3
General	14	9	5	0
Open Hearth	6	4	1	1
Mechanical	3	2	1	0
Electrical	2	1	1	0
Blast Furnace	1	1	0	0
Inspection	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	102	54	24	24

Three Teams Are Tied At Top In Bowling Race

At the end of seven weeks bowling of the second half in the Employees Interdepartmental Bowling League, three teams are tied for first place. The race is between a greatly improved Laboratory team and the new Carpenter-Mechanical combination who are furnishing keen competition to the Store Room outfit which only recently has shown its usual winning form after a poor showing in the first half. As of Friday, February 12th these three teams had fifteen victories each to their credit and six defeats. The Barrel Shop is next with thirteen wins and eight defeats.

No new scores have been turned in to top the year's records which were published last month. However, most of the league games have been tightly contested and many high games rolled by the individual bowlers.

Pat France of the Laboratory now leads the league with an average of 182. Clarence Munyon is second with 180.

The following is the team standings to date:

Team	Won	Lost
Laboratory	15	6
Store Room	15	6
Carpenter-Mech.	15	6
Barrel Shop	13	8
Blast Furnace	12	9
Yard Dept.	10	11
Nail Mill	10	11
Foundry	9	12
Brick Mason	8	13
Coke Plant	7	14
Barb Wire	6	15
Rod & Wire	6	15
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Purchase Of Safety Shoes Requires Ration Stamp

Due to the government's rationing of shoes, effective at this time, all employees who purchase safety shoes through the pay roll deduction plan in operation at the plant will be required to present their ration book containing the required coupon for these shoes.

Shoes will continue to be sold at the plant as in the past, but the purchaser must present his ration book to obtain the shoes. At the present time Stamp No. 17 in the Ration Book No. 1 is needed for this purpose.



Michael James, 1, son of James Lambert, loader in the Barrel Shop.

Open Hearth News

—by Raison and Frantz

Harry Meadows says he has discovered a new kind of food hoarding. He claims that Bob Clare was a recent dinner guest at his home and stowed away enough grub for a week.

Seems as though the Ingot Shipper's office is going in strong for inter-office correspondence. How about it Midget and Dawson?

Well, "Bad Eye" has finally gotten ahead of Charley Newman as he had the dentist work a few gold inlays into his new set of ivories. Think it fools anyone, "Bad Eye"?

Oakie Duke writes back from the army that he expects to make Wash McGinn turn green with envy when he learns of Oakie Duke's work on the rifle range.

We cannot vouch for the truthfulness of the following item, but Brady Patton claims it's so.

Brady says he saw Captain Moore gulping capsules, off and on, during the past fishing season and it was several weeks before Brady learned that instead of medicine the captain had been eating his sunfish incased in capsules.

John (Ding-Walloper) Shonkwiler lost his ivories in a coke salamander while in the throes of a big sneeze. What's the matter, John, didn't you have them anchored to your coat lapel like a pair of nose glasses.

Perk Allen was home on a furlough recently and looked like a "million". The boys were all glad that he paid a visit to the shop.

Hoggy Cropper and Legs Clare were seen eating at the mill restaurant as Raison beat them to the buckets.

Roy Dunham has regained his composure and reports that his nerves are much quieter since Okie Duke left.

Big Toney still refuses to pay off.

Rod & Wire Mechanical

—by Ben Wiegars

Do You Remember . . .

When Buddy Molster was a roller on the 18" Bar Mill . . . when Mr. Paff walked through the plant swinging 18" of a 24" rule in a circle . . . When Bill Livingston was night foreman at the main machine shop . . . When John E. Millard was master mechanic of the Rod and Wire division . . . When Johnny and Doc Noel ran the Foundry . . . When John Dixon was a shoe cutter . . . When Bill Geary worked in the old shell mill during World War I . . . When Charley Coriell was foreman in the Rod and Wire machine shop . . . When Bill Bell was superintendent of the Barrel shop?

When Cleve Martin was in charge of the Rod and Wire Rigger gang . . . When Carl Heinisch had charge of the Bundling department . . . When Bill Stoop was manager of the plant . . . and when he and "Govner" Nash had their cussin' match over the leak in the exhaust line in the old plate mill . . . When Bill Jenkins was employed in the Carpenter gang . . . When Wiley Woods worked on the Jobbing mill . . . When Bill Merrit and Ed. Dreabert held their championship bout in the main machine shop . . . When Art Riding was a City Patrolman . . . When Bill Jenkins supplied the roast pig (complete with apple in it's mouth) for the night gang at Xmas time . . . When it is was necessary to dive to the bottom of the river to clean the strainer on the old river pumps and Bill Stoop's method for preventing pneumonia?

When Hub Hewitt was roller on the big plate mill . . . When Dan Cullen was roller on the three high jobber . . . When Jack Henderson was a common plumber down town . . . When Ben Wiegars Sr. was brickmason foreman . . . When a certain pipefitter foreman rode a pig twice around a house and was raked off when the pig ducked under . . . When Ernie Brescia's home and where Sam was born sat on the site now occupied by the old Sheet mill grease house . . . When the Coke plant was called the Solvay works . . . When the most popular place hereabouts was the little green house on the other side of Millbrook . . . When Thomas and Kirkpatrick ran the mill . . . When Ruddy Weighaupt was pattern maker . . . When Nick Reinhardt hauled scrap up on the standing by mules to charge the Open Hearth . . . and the finished product was hauled away from the shears by a horse . . . When Milton Swickert was the hottest thing in town in his Oakland runabout . . . When "Uncle Harry" Sleight was foreman of the main blacksmith shop . . . When Levi York always started all new projects on Friday because it was his lucky day . . . When Frank Mathias, roller, drove that Stutz Bearcat roadster.

Blooming & Bar Mills

—by K. Cronin

Tommy Glover took the Santa Claus razzing in a rare good humor. He seems mighty proud of the fact that he paid off all bets, but he says that "Hoke" was supposed to play Santa for him, but so far he has failed to come down the chimney with his present.

Carver got his new store teeth and can't eat and to get even with Dip over the picture, he won't let him eat either.

How come Art takes Frank out for a chicken dinner, or was it the other way around.

This seems to be a month for sore feet. First Frank McMahan goes crippling around and complaining about sore feet, but that was logical as its hard to get used to walking on sidewalks again when you first move back to town.

But what was really far fetched was when Pete Wintersole called in and reported off because of sore feet. We've all seen Pete in action for a good many years and we believe his story would have stood up much better had he selected a spot about midway between his two extremities as a location for his alleged callouses.

Staten and his crew refusing to work on No. 3 Tie Plate machine because it was too dirty ought to qualify them for a job in a pie factory or something.

We're rather ashamed of Braddy the way he swapped ends on that bull head roll. Going to have to quit bragging on him for a while.

We were sure glad to see John McDaniels back on the job. He's a great guy but there's not as much to him as there used to be.

After Braddy got mixed up on his bull head rolls, Tommy Taulbee came back on the next mill change and put the rougher rolls in, in reverse order. Going to have to hold class and explain the meaning of those T's, B's and E's painted on roll ends.

It was a good thing someone stole Cliff's jelly roll. He needs something with more nourishment and vitamins.

John Kelley recently gave Slim Nelson a very interesting lecture on the use and operation of certain plumbing fixtures. It was amusing as well as educational. Pete and I enjoyed it very much.

Frank finally got the roofing on his garage. No wonder it snowed the next day.

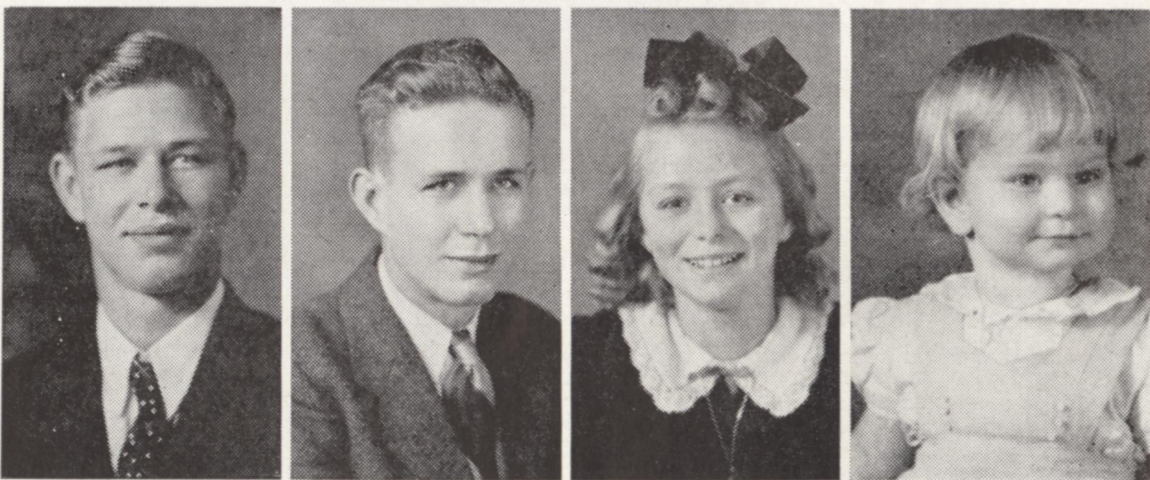
"Frenchy" Simon has returned to work from a brief vacation.



This group of U. S. sailors was aboard a destroyer on convoy duty in the Atlantic during the years of 1917-18. The handsome young gob on the left in the back row is Tom McCann now employed as carpenter at the Rod and Wire. This picture was taken in London in 1918.



Three sons of Garland Frazier, of the Police Department are now serving with our armed forces. Lavon, who enlisted with the paratroopers on July 15th, is at Fort Benning, Georgia. Lionel, enlisted in the Navy October 16th and is stationed at Pensacola, Florida and Leon is with the Navy Ordnance at Indianapolis, Indiana.



Pvt. Richard Swords, 22, formerly employed in the Cooper Shop; Pvt. Herman Swords, 19, stationed at San Diego, California with the U. S. Marines; Marvin Joy Swords, 11 and Carolyn Ester, 1. They are the children of Philip Swords, fireman at No. 2 Boiler House.

Coke Plant Breezes

—by John Payton

Bud Dutiell has purchased a new pair of skates to be used in the Engine room after the doors have been padlocked. Bud says he always wanted to learn how to roller skate, but never thought he would be paid for learning.

Just a few days ago Harold Reed became involved in an argument with a well dressed man sitting in one of the Salvage store windows on Chillicothe street. He finally left after a passerby told him that the man was not a real man, but only an advertising "Dummy" displaying a new suit of clothes.

To McAdams. It is O. K. to catch as many rats as you can, but the next time you set the traps, why not build a pen around them to keep from catching all the little pigs.

Two more of our grand old men have retired. Namely, Grant Wheeler of the brick masons and Elmer Guynn, water tender in No. 6 boiler house. We wish them many years of happiness, since retirement. Good luck, both of you.

We miss Capt. Sam Edgington of the Coke Plant Gate. Sam has been transferred to the Spillway where he is now serving as watchman. Sam insists there will be no submarine invasion at this point, as long as he has it in his hands. Go to it Sam, we know you can stop 'em.

James McGill is back in again. Jim is getting to be a good boy now, and permits his wife to lead him all over Chillicothe street on pay day.

And we would like to know more about how Sharp Ruby lost his hat.

House cleaning time will soon be here and many things will have to be done in order to have the home spick and span, but don't forget the back yard. Have the wife to run the vacuum sweeper over it. This will save a lot of hard work with the rake.

The boys claim they saw Leonard Montgomery going up a certain hollow a few days ago when the big snow was on the ground. Unk claims he was hunting a certain kind of "yarbs" and of course all the boys believe him.

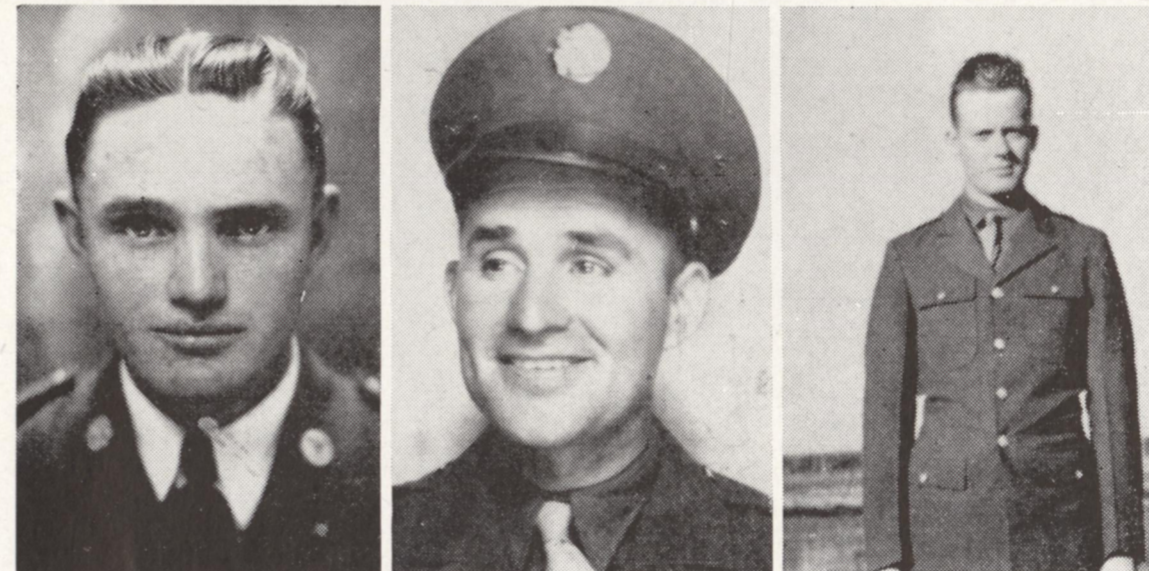
If you are in doubt as to who operates the locomotive at Coke Plant, just ask Bill Whittaker. Since a few days ago, he has been better known as "Fightin' Whittaker."

Yes sir, Leonard McNeal's mule died. Leonard says it was an over dose of soy eans, but the boys say it was no soy beans at all. Try feeding the next one, Slim.



An event of interest to employees of the Mechanical Department was the recent wedding of Sgt. Philip Coffman at Bergen Point Station, Bayonne, New Jersey. Sgt. Coffman and his bride are pictured here at the conclusion of the military ceremony.

Before joining the Coast Artillery on January 3, 1942 Philip was employed as an iron worker at the plant.



Pvt. Ray White, Pvt. Alva Locker, brothers-in-law of Gayhart Rolfe of the Blast Furnace and Pvt. Dale E. Powell of Camp Beale, California, who is his son-in-law.



Wilma, 15, Edith, 13 and Willard 11, children of Mose Smith, Open Hearth labor foreman.

Barrel Shop Bulletins

—by "The Young Man"

James R. Allen, who was inducted into military service last month, is now receiving his basic training in the Air School at Miami Beach, Florida.

Ollie J. Pelfrey, who was also inducted last month, is now serving with a railroad battalion stationed at New Orleans, Louisiana.

Joseph William Augustin has been inducted for army duty and has reported at Fort Thomas, Kentucky for assignment.

Bernard (Ted) Purdy is now counting the days 'till Uncle Sam says, "Come on, Ted. Let's go."

Donald Payton, a former well-known employee of the shop, has enlisted in the Coast Guard service and is now stationed somewhere on the Atlantic coast. He is a son of Jesse Payton, hoop-maker. Jesse now has three sons in the service of whom he is justly proud.

Reports have it that Chester Kilgore, "minute man" millwright, recently purchased a mule and behind this said mule there hangs a long, long tale. It seems that several old timers have kept tab on this same mule for many years. They claim that back in the "Gay Nineties" he was known as Old Faithful. Chester however, insists that forty-odd years is enough for any mule to carry one name; so the first thing he did was to change his name to Old Miracle.

Chester plans to go in for farming



Sgt. Ralph Craig, brother of Conrad Craig, R. & W. Shipping Dept.

in a big way this summer and says with the able assistance of Old Miracle he will be able to produce a lot of miracles this summer that will help to alleviate the serious food shortage.

WANTED: One hundred men to take a chance on a nice, fat, juicy pig. This pig is so big it's really a hog. If interested, see Funny's gang.

The walking delegates, Harry Sanford and Fred Bailey, were seen walking the U. S. Grant bridge, going south. They were walking when they went over, but we don't know how they came back.

Friends of a well-known machinist and erstwhile auxiliary fireman, are insisting that he is worthy of, and should be awarded the Carnegie Hero Medal, due to his uncanny and heroic efforts at a recent fire.

Reports have it, that learning of a fire which broke out near by, the dashing, daring dutiful Donald Dulin dashed madly to the scene taking only one-fifth of a split second to realize that a serious fire was in the offing.

Now what did Dulin do? He dood it. He instantly went into action. Waving his long arms frantically, and yelling at the top of his voice, he began issuing the following instructions to the fire fighters, "Stand back boys. Give her plenty of air and let her smother herself out".

Thus due to his amazing ability, and likewise his agility, what might have been a serious fire was quickly averted and placed under control.

Frank Case, a former employee of the shop, recently enlisted in the Coast Guard Service.

Foundry Castings

Be gay with Gay

Yes we know Sam Altman has told you about the Billy Goat, but did he tell you that the two horned brute has eaten all his celery, as well as all the tin cans he had saved. Now he is trying to sell it back to Chess Whitt.

Clipped from the South Webster Evening Bugler, General De Ability of the Quarter Master Department raised the "E" flag over Ike Queen's hen house. Reason given Ike has 38 hens and three roosters and is collecting forty eggs a day.

Please correct this sentence: Harold Wiseman and Shorty Huffman had to be told when to quit work.

For once we went over the top one hundred percent in allowing the Government to take five percent of our pay.

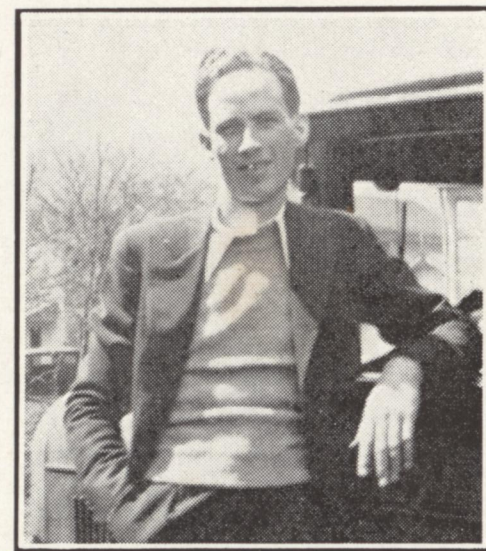
The new man from Mount Joy thought the Cupola was a large silo. That's nothing buddy, that first fellow from Mount Joy, Enz by name, thought the charging pans were iron bath tubs.

The new government order of work or fight has put Walter Ishmel on the spot, because he can't fight and won't work.

Our Safety Record is now thirty-two months without a lost time accident, in other words nearly three years. That is a good record for any Foundry.

Matthew Henry and Hairston are now fur dealers. Nice work boys.

We notice that John Layne and Mose have taken off their rubber heels and given them to the Salvage Department. They are the two most patriotic boys in the Foundry.



Earl E. Brannon, now with a medical corps somewhere in England. He is the son of Ed. Brannon, Range Boiler Department.

Welding Flashes

—by Walt Dressler

Charles Reynolds had a broken wash tub. Boob Trende repaired it. Charles had to tear up three boards from the porch floor to get the tub navigating after Boob got through with his welding apparatus.

Elwood Himes and Elmer Crain are willing to volunteer and help butcher horse meat for the needy meat markets if they will be given the privilege of selecting the horses to be shot.

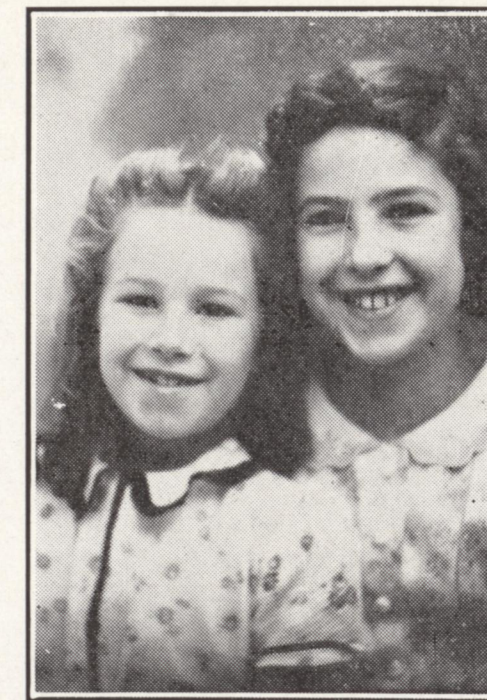
Harvey Foster, patrolman, on his first night in the main clock room experienced the electric punch clocks stopping dead. He made a hurried call to the police squad room and Jake Overturf responded to the emergency. Officer Overturf, after a careful inspection, pinned his handkerchief over Harvey's picture and the clocks automatically started again.

William Fannin, healthy and robust, is back from a year's stay "deep in the heart of Texas". Bill lived this whole year on nothing but Texas wild steer meat. In fact Bill is now so wild Bud Applegate has to lassoe him each time he wants a chore done around the shop.

Household Hints: Anyone unable to master the art of slicing the new "slice your own" bread, might try my new method. Lay the bread gently on the door-stoop and slice overhanded using a double bit axe. An easier way is to grind with a sausage grinder into strings like macaroni then tilt your head to a



C. J. Reynolds, seaman second class is the brother of Charles Reynolds, welder in the Range Boiler.



Patty, 11 and Judy, 8, daughters of Raymond Smith, Barrel Shop. C. W. Vicars, crane operator at the Coke Plant is their grandfather

ninety degree angle and let it slide. This eliminates the use of butter.

James Louis said: "Steve, the chef at the company restaurant, misinterrupted the coffee rationing program. Besides allowing only one cup to a customer, Steve only puts one cup of coffee to the fifteen gallon coffee urn.

Ernie Mitchell says Paul Reiser is studying "billy goat culture" all because Paul, while on his hands and knees looking for a lost collar button, butted into a chifferobe and upset it.

Elmer Dunn, Hugh McCorkle and Olan Himes share their rides with each other to and from work. They plan to approach the ration board for a three seated bicycle for summer travel.

Help! Help! What is happening to the Range Boiler employees? Gene Horsley parked his car in the garage with the bright lights burning and the next morning he was the owner of a depleted battery.

Pearl Jones stepped out of his car entered a grocery store and came out with an arm load of groceries, passed up his car and walked home. He then called up the police and reported his car stolen. After a lapse of two days the grocerman recognized the car and called Pearl.

And last, but not least, Ollie Hilt has started smoking strong cigars.

Barney Culver is back from California full of orange juice, sunkist and everything.

Harry Hunt learned raw carrots made the eyesight more keen. He influenced Lew Kent and Jack Augustine on a carrot diet and cut their desk lamps down to 7½ watts.

Carpenter Shavings

—by W. L. Ross

There is some rivalry between Mac McCorkle and Roy Newberry as to who is the best man on Saturday. We are not taking any sides but we think Roy will do his best to equal Mac.

If you want to know the correct time just ask Cleve Holston as he has a new watch. We don't know where he got it, but a certain fellow said he saw him wading around in the water the night of the Roberts Jewelry fire.

Dart Ball is getting hot at the Carpenter Shop. The painters All-Star team has been taking the Carpenters pretty regular. Captain Holeston and his team are working hard and claim it will be a different story soon.

Jeff Crum, the Chicken Financier, is doing pretty well these days. He has 200 hens and seven roosters and is getting 208 eggs every day.

It has been reported that Minor Ervin has trouble getting his Austin started so he gets in the driver's seat and called his wife to push him to the alley. We didn't think Minor was that kind of a man, when we know the wife is a much better driver than Minor.



Ethel Wiesner, a new recruit of the WAAC's, is stationed at Daytona Beach, Florida. Her father Frank Wiesner is apparatus man at the Coke Plant.



Dennis Walter, 1, son of Walter Kirsch, Pay Department.



Larry Joe, 11 months, son of Joe Abbott, welder apprentice in the Mechanical Department.

Yard Department Yarns

—by Cecil Literal

We extend our congratulations to Floyd Smittle who was recently promoted to Second Lieutenant in the U. S. Army. Floyd, a former locomotive fireman in the Yard Department, is now a bombardier.

We wish you loads of luck and we know you will do your best to hit the mark. We are mighty proud of you and all our fighting men.

Toner McElroy, yard switchman, is now with the Army. Good luck, Mac.

About the funniest thing we heard in a long time was Ernie Eggers eating a hot dog with a rubber weiner in it. He was so pleased when Art McKelvey handed him a nice sandwich that he tore right into it. He says the bun and sauce were fine, but that the rubber weiner was terrible. He pulled and pulled and then the fire works started. As far as we know Ernie is still hot.

Martin Hay is the proud poppy of a new daughter, born January 29th. Congratulations, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Hay.

Don't forget your Income Taxes—or how could you? Well, it's not so bad, there's lots of folks that only wish they had earned enough to pay taxes on.

Cecil Cole, who was injured some time ago at work, is convalescing at his home on Glenwood Avenue, New Boston. Cecil, we all wish you a speedy recovery.

Richard Wright has accepted a job as labor foreman in the Yard Department.

Oh say, I nearly forgot to tell you how proud my wife and I are of our new son born on January 30. We named him George William Literal.

Mechanical Musings

—by V. Warnock

Shoes are scarce for an obvious reason—All for Victory and Nothing for "Defeat".

George Armstrong who recently suffered a fractured arm is improving and we hope that George can soon return to work.

Steve Diffen, millwright foreman, who has been seriously ill, is improving and we hope he can get back in the harness soon.

If anyone has an outboard motor for sale for goodness sake sell it to Richard Jordan so he'll quit worrying. Sell it to him before Ole Man River goes on another rampage.

We like the story about the nervous husband at the maternity hospital who said to his wife before registering "Darling, are you sure you want to go through with this?"

Hank "Grease Ball" Jenkins was a highly disappointed man the other day. Grease Ball told his wife not to fix him any lunch as a certain lubrication representative was expected about the noon hour. Expected salesman failed to materialize and Hank stood around the rest of the boys for the whole lunch hour with a hungry look on his face, but no one took pity on him. Maybe he could arrange to have Uncle Sam furnish some emergency "B" rations for such occasions.



Margurite Lucas, stationed at Fort Mitchell, Kentucky, is the sister of Paul Lucas, formerly Barrel Shop foreman.



Pvt. Gene Goodan, of Camp Barkley, Texas. He is the son of Vilas Goodan of the Yard and brother of Harry Goodan, Machine Shop.

Brick Mason Bologna

—by Sub Pellegrinon

Well fellows, it's three months since this column has appeared in the Plant News. Our former news hounds Choppy Coleman and B & O Hilton are gone—B & O to the Navy and Choppy to another department.

Since George Webb is leaving for the armed forces Bud Pelfrey says Sub Pellegrinon will more than fill the bill as the "loose tongue" of Brick Mason department. You'd better be quiet Bud because Sub has started to go to town twice a week instead of once.

We are sorry to hear the bad luck Homer Henson had. He lost his home and belongings which were destroyed by fire.

The way a certain brick mason is bragging about how his car looks now since he had all the dents taken out of the body, you would think that he never owned a car before. Our guess is that he should keep his mouth shut and his eyes open before they take his car for the scrap collection drive.

There is a well-known brick layer who thinks he has another way to smash the Axis. We haven't found out much about his secret formula yet, but we have had a tip that one of the ingredients is scotch and soda. It has been told that seven or eight of these concoctions mixed in a ton container will make a block buster.

Things we would like to know:
Why Ches Bertram quit cracking nuts on the job?
When "Katzie" Peery is going to get his new molars?
Where Freeman Hall learned to do the Tango?
When Charlie Curcio is going to quit going to his dad's home for a decent meal?

THEY'RE HELPING SMASH THE AXIS



DONALD MARTIN C. F. SKINNER PAUL LUCAS WILLIAM CARR JESSE WILSON VERNON RATLIFF



CECIL McCORMICK RICHARD GOINGS RAYMOND ENIX WM. P. FUGITT RALPH HEMPHILL WM. J. MORELAND



A. PELLEGRINON JESS PENDLETON CLYDE PARLIN CHARLES LUTZ CARLOS STANLEY WM. J. DEVLIN



BEECHER SALYER LOREN FRASHER BASIL B. LEWIS F. H. EMMETT WILBUR COOPER WM. CLAY HOLMES



CHESTER JORDAN HOMER ARTIS HARRY RUBY JOHN W. LEAKE WOODROW MOYER NAGEL BURTON

E. R. A. Pays Four Death Claims

LOSS FOR MONTH \$175.98

While the Employees' Relief Association paid Sick and Accident Benefits amounting to \$1,098.98 and four Death Claims amounting to \$1,200.00 each, or a total of \$4,800.00, during the month of January, as you will note from the following report, the net resources of the Association suffered a loss of only \$175.98.

The four Death Claims were paid to the beneficiaries of the following deceased members: Mr. Ora McCann, Department No. 17; Mr. Willie Meddings, Mechanical Department; Mr. Clarence McGinnis, Coke Plant; Mr. Dock Boggs, Blast Furnace.

RECEIPTS

Collection from Members, as per Pay-Roll	\$ 4,472.00
Cash Collections from Members	86.00
Dues Deducted from Claims	29.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS ...	\$ 4,587.00
In Checking Account, January 1, 1943	6,603.03
TOTAL	\$ 11,190.03

DISBURSEMENTS

Sick Benefits	\$ 847.99
Accident Benefits	250.99
Nat. Death Benefits	3,600.00
Accidental Death Benefits (Outside)	1,200.00
Salaries	99.10
Printed Matter	14.90
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS ...	\$ 6,012.98
In Checking Account, January 31, 1943	5,177.05
TOTAL	\$ 11,190.03

RESOURCES

Checking Account	\$ 5,177.05
Savings Account	13,526.92
Bonds	77,900.00
Building & Loan Stock ..	1,581.02
TOTAL	\$ 98,184.99

LIABILITIES

Unclaimed Checks	\$ 650.37
Claims Payable	2,400.00
TOTAL	\$ 3,050.37
NET RESOURCES, January 31, 1943	\$ 95,134.62
NET RESOURCES, December 31, 1942 ...	95,310.60

LOSS, for Month

PAID BENEFICIARIES SINCE ORGANIZATION

Sick Benefits	\$274,042.45
Accident Benefits	181,854.13
Nat. Death Benefits	395,530.00
Acc. Death Benefits	98,936.84

TOTAL

R. C. HOLBROOK, Treasurer.



Carl Edward and Charley Leroy, sons of Charles W. Wallace of No. 1 Boiler House. Both boys are now serving with Uncle Sam's fighting forces.

Even In North Africa It's Wheeling Steel Writes Plant Soldier

From somewhere in North Africa with our armed forces, Truxton Crull, an employee of the Rod and Wire Mechanical department, writes his former boss, Bill Livingston:

January 11, 1943

Hello Bill:

Hope this finds you and yours well. Tell Ed "hello" for me. I am O. K. at present somewhere in North Africa. Say, guess what! We are using Wheeling Steel every day over here in the field. Does that bring back pleasant thoughts? Yea man! Tell all the gang "hello" for me. More later.

So long,

Truxton Crull.

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Safety Shoe Honor Roll

The following employees bought Safety Shoes during the month of January, 1943:

Walter Atkinson	Roby C. Hawkins
Glenn Hall	J. C. Stanley
Clarence Ward	Wm. C. Irwin
Frank Jordan	Albert Hodge
Russell Baglin	John Cullen
Chas. C. Smith	Orville M. Howerton
C. A. Clark	Joe Miller
Chas. Booton	Lawrence Ervin
Louis J. Miller	Thos. E. Patton
Harry Young	Edward C. Hunt
Glenn Lewis	Roger Brady
Ralph W. Delhotel	H. Cordle
Chas. H. Brown	R. O. Eddy
Jacob Seth	Chester Huffman
Albert M. McGuire	Earl Weaver
Clarence Shaw	Edward Myers
Wilbur Dixon	Wm. M. Clay
Amos Skaggs	David Warnock
Ford Ferguson	Clyde Strickland
Geo. Conkel	R. M. Vaughn
G. W. Skidmore	Harry McCoy
Chas. Meyers	J. W. Cunningham
Chas. M. Horner	Gardner Mershon
Gilbert Maple	Ferrell B. Conley
Perry Alexander	Frieman S. Porter
Cecil Parker	Adam Richardson
Paul D. Adams	S. Pellegrinon
	Elva Archy

IN MEMORIAM

We extend our sympathy to the following employees and families in recent deaths:

To the family of Joe Smith, Coke Plant employee who died on January 28.

To the family of Richard Wallace of Department No. 17, who died on January 24.

To the family of Arthur Duncan of the Open Hearth Department, who died February 5.

To Ernest L. Hunt of the Electrical Department and Edward C. Hunt of Department No. 17, whose father died January 8.

To James Bailey of the Yard Department, whose mother-in-law died on January 26.

To Orlando S. Valentine of Department No. 17, whose father-in-law died January 27.

To Forrest Magaw of the Coke Plant, whose father died January 14.

To Edward Russell of the Mechanical Department, whose father died January 27.

To James W. Richardson of the Brick Mason Department, whose sister died January 10.

To Floyd Blackburn of the Rod Mill Department, whose father died January 10.

To Alonzo Clark of the Mechanical Department, whose father-in-law died January 12.

To Steve Dixon of the Nail Mill Department, whose father died January 1.

To Ora Covert of the Electrical Department, whose wife died January 3.

To Daniel Wheeler of the Rod Mill, whose wife died on January 27.

To John Love of the Mechanical Department, whose brother died on January 28.

To Adam Richardson of the Spike Mill, whose father died February 1.

To Willard Horsley of the Spike Mill, whose mother-in-law died February 1.

To Arthur Carver of the Nail Mill, whose son died February 4.

To Harry Sanford of the Barrel Shop, whose brother-in-law died recently.

To Edward Ketter of the Barrel Shop store room, whose brother-in-law died January 26.

To Earl Gerald of the Barrel Shop, whose father-in-law died recently.

To William D. Tilton, of the Barrel Shop store room, whose daughter died January 14.

To Russell McDaniel of the Open Hearth Department, whose daughter died January 25.

To Esau Stone of the Barrel Department, whose daughter died February 7.

To John Lane of No. 1 Boiler House, Mechanical Department, whose brother died January 28.