

like spring chickens. It must be a sure cure for old age.

Brown still continues to improve as a bowler—a bum one. The industrial engineers report that Brown could bowl 300 on an incentive plan with the proper time study.

Doc Grimm for several weeks has had a far away, dreamy look in his eyes. Inasmuch as all know that it cannot be the love bug, it must be the golf bee buzzing around his head. Frank, let it be known, is an A-1 golfer, and can't resist thinking about his favorite hobby. He has practically induced Cras to indulge.

Mayor T. E. Boyle succumbed for a time to the recent flu epidemic and all missed his genial personality.

Dr. Musselman for some reason refuses to play pee-wee golf.

### *Pressure Stills*

The boys are all back on the job again after being on the sick list for some time. Jim Spinar was off two weeks; William Driscoll for three weeks; Fred Mier for several months; and A. P. Jones for one week.

D. Horgan and C. Stickly are taking their vacations together again this year. Charles may be able to repay David for the help he rendered him up in Canada last year.

C. R. Stanton, champion water drinker of the C. P. S. pump house, had the water cooler made a foot higher, as it was putting his back on the bum bending over so much.

It did happen—M. Buckvich's candy business went broke. No more candy, gloves or chewing gum can be bought on the stills. Mike tried to sell the business, but couldn't find a buyer.

That little patch over C. Jeffries' eye caused a lot of speculation. Charles said it was done accidentally, but didn't go into details about it.

C. Peterson, insurance salesman, for a long time had to stop the boys in order to talk to them. Now it is the other way around; Pete is being stopped.

Ed Parcell was some surprised boy after finding that a good friend had left a wreath in front of his locker on a recent midnight shift.

Neering refers soap hunters to G. Stanchik, who has plenty of it on hand at all times. And George is generous.

Commander Lew Griffith of the Whiting Post and Legionnaires S. Kostyo, P. Lynch, D. Horgan, P. Harrison and W. Weigan are talking about the national convention to be held in Detroit, Mich.

Friends were grieved to hear of the untimely death of Mike Promick, who was with the company about 25 years. The men on the pressure stills extend their deepest sympathy to the members of his family.

Dallas Smith was recently promoted from assistant foreman to be foreman in charge of the second shift.

### *Tower Stills*

Another year has passed and roll has been called again at the annual fish supper of the

Whiting Gun club at Phil Schmidt's fish house on Feb. 24. At this annual supper is usually gathered the greatest bunch of fish-eating trap shooters in this part of the country. Gus Ollrich and Charles Carrette as usual had it on the rest when it came to eating the most, with Carrette winning by a margin of one fish when he made a stab for a fish and got two. Gus accused him of shooting double. Ted James started a new game by rolling up all the paper napkins and putting them in his pockets. Al Buchanan told the biggest fish story of the night but he had to go away back "when he was a boy" to dig it up. Of course it was a big pickerel with a big mouth, with big teeth that tried to bite a big hand off a big man. A general good time was had and all promised to shoot their best this summer until the next annual supper.

There should have been some star waiters at that supper. Martin, Gilbert Null and Dewey Sliger made excellent head waiters, with Dewey a little ahead of the rest.

Dan Carlson was out to see friend Ed Freese again and came back with a "hot one." After having a good feed he took a walk around the place with Ed and was lucky enough to find a 20-dollar gold piece. Ed claimed it. Dan then put chewing gum on his shoe and tried to pick up another one that Ed wouldn't see, but had no luck.

Frank Moore is getting a great kick out of raising snails.

Ernie Olson is delighted with the fine pup a friend gave him. "A bull pup and a dandy," is Swede's idea of him. But the first night Ernie went home from the 4 to 12 shifts said pup failed to understand Swedish and kept him out in the cold for some time. Finally, with the aid of the Mrs., he got in, and then sat up the rest of the night getting acquainted with the pup.

Jim Feeney thanks the boys of the tower stills for the floral piece sent at the recent death of his sister, who lived in Chicago.

Congratulations are offered to the editor on the excellent magazine turned out for the month of January. Many remarks were heard from the boys on the towers about the magazine, and all thought it one of the best ever published.

The boys also congratulate the Athletic association on the wrestling show held at the Community center recently. Everyone who had the opportunity to go expressed himself as being more satisfied with wrestling than with boxing.

### *Filter Plant*

Christ Baadsgaard has purchased a new Chevie. First it's a barn dance—then a new car.

Russell Quinn is anxiously waiting to receive his earnings as a master of bowling in the S. O. Co. league.

"Shoes" Keilman is also in line for a donation.

Red McClellan has been added to the office staff.

Anna Zona and the other four young ladies

of this department have been keeping shy of the reporter.

Carl McCaw celebrated his birthday with friends at the home of Elmer Hedrick. Everything was fine until Mac started to dance.

Ed Gehrke is driving around in a new car. Charlie Allan says he has nothing on him.

"Happy Henry" is still as happy as ever. Claims he wouldn't have life a bit different than it is now.

Abe Julier gets home, sits down in the easy chair, reads a movie magazine, and then falls asleep.

Steve Kovach is waiting for the Cubs to start playing again, while Jimmie LaPert is betting his money on the Sox to finish third.

Al Schaeffer and Emil Biesen can be heard every once in a while telling how things were 40 years ago.

John Savage is planning to spend his vacation in a cozy little cottage in Michigan again this year.

Frank Prugh and Charles De Sutter spent Washington's birthday visiting the latter's parents at Attica. (?!?!?!—Ed.)

John Hahn likes a good cup of coffee about 2:00 a. m., so Charlie Fogli makes sure he gets it.

"Rudy" Vrabel is still talking about the party the girls gave, and how he was master of ceremonies.

Geo. Parker has been spending his time repairing his car. George plans to travel this year.

William Stover will have to hunt up his fishing poles and get his canoe in shape again for this summer. When it comes to fishing, Bill tops the list.

### **Research Laboratory**

Representative N. E. Lemmon gives service. Last month there seems to have been a shortage of *Stanolind Records* at the paraffine gate; at least many of the lab failed to get a copy. As usual, they took it up with their representative. Within a half hour notices were on all bulletin boards that anyone wanting a magazine could get it at Lemmon's room. About 35 copies were called for, and so pleased were all with this service that they asked Norm to do it every month.

A strange man at the foot of the bed in the middle of the night should not be shot: it may be "Duke" Price looking for a house to rent.

J. B. Hamblen and T. H. Rogers had prominent parts in the American Legion play "Is Zat So," given at the Whiting community center in February.

The Ashman cup for outstanding laboratory technique was recently awarded to Don Dickey.

Joe Spears recently demonstrated to Al Endres that boots could be used for other purposes than to keep feet dry.

Buddy Alexander is taking a course in "How to hold on to your money" from a select group of swindlers in the north end of the second floor.

### **WOOD RIVER, ILL.**



*John Seni*



*Michael Fedorka*

### **Receive 20-year Emblems**

Two Wood River employees, John Seni and Michael Fedorka, received their 20-year service pins at the last semi-annual distribution of long-service tokens recently made among a group of 38 employees at the Wood River refinery. Distribution was made at a meeting held at the refinery main office, presided over by Manager C. B. Manbeck, who made the awards, and attended by Superintendent S. A. Montgomery, Assistant Superintendent F. J. Gainer, Chief Engineer A. P. McCormick, Superintendent of Construction W. I. Jolley, Office Manager J. F. Halloran and C. F. Hall, assistant director of Industrial Relations.

John Seni, employed in the acid works, came to Wood River from Joliet, Ill., in 1910, and entered the service of the Standard Oil Company on Dec. 27 of that year. After working for a few months in the labor department he was transferred to the acid works, and during the more than 20 years intervening between that date and the present time he has been advanced by degrees to the position of stillman.

Michael Fedorka, first class pipe fitter, entered the employ of the company Dec. 1, 1910, shortly

ing in the fuel system of an engine and the test, therefore, has no direct significance. The same criticism applies to the copper dish test—generally used for aviation gasolines.

The acidity test applied to the residue in the flask at the completion of the A. S. T. M. distillation is another rather vague test which is occasionally used. Again it bears no relation to the actual behavior of the gasoline in service.

### Summary

This is the last of a series of four articles which has been prepared for the purpose of analyzing, from the modern point of view, the reasons underlying the use of gasoline as a fuel and the characteristics it must have to carry out its purpose satisfactorily. In brief, it will be recalled that:

Because of its volatility and high energy content, gasoline makes possible the use of the simple, efficient, and relatively inexpensive engines which form the basis of automotive transportation.

Volatility is the primary characteristic which makes gasoline more valuable as a source of heat energy than other fuels, and which makes possible car performance otherwise impossible.

Of the factors which interfere with the use of gasoline, detonation is the principal one, as it prevents the use of engines which would have much higher power outputs than are possible at present. The use of Ethyl is the outstanding method for eliminating this obstacle.

Other characteristics, such as sulfur and gum, indicate the behavior of gasoline as a chemical, rather than as a fuel. They are of relatively little importance in fuels manufactured by thoroughly modern refining processes.

## Dirty Faces

With a balance of \$35,582.64 in all funds April 1, 1931, and with 1,217 members in good standing, W. O. Walker, secretary of the Whiting Mutual Benefit Association, reports receipts during March totaling \$718.00 and disbursements amounting to \$1,819.25. Funds are invested as follows: trust account, \$35,000.00; savings account, \$25.30; checking account, \$557.34.

## Annuitants

The Board of Directors has recently approved annuities for the following employees, according to an announcement of F. T. Graham, secretary:

Fred Cammack, 1037-A South 6th st., Milwaukee, Wis.

Charles DeLand, Quitman, Nodaway County, Mo.

Iver R. Donaldson, Rutland, N. D.

W. O. Campbell, 419 South Grand ave., Independence, Mo.

Forest Rhodes, 22 Marguerite ave., Wood River, Ill.

F. W. Kaphengst, 5 LaSalle st., Lake Geneva, Wis.

John Powers, Waterloo, Wis.

Mr. Graham also announces the following change of address of an annuitant:

John M. Johlin, 245 Wroe ave., Dayton, Ohio.

### Trying To Please

A society woman wrote to an Army officer: "Mrs. John Sears DeVille requests the pleasure of Capt. Smith's company at a reception on August 16."

The next day she received this note of acceptance: "With the exception of 14 men who, I regret to say, have a week each in the guardhouse, Capt. Smith's company accepts with pleasure Mrs. DeVille's invitation for August 16."—*Exchange*.

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### Tower Stills

Joe Graves, after serving on the Safety committee for many years, has given way to younger talent. But, being Safety minded, Joe presented his wife with a new 1931 safety can opener, guaranteed not to injure the hands while using. This can opener was donated to Joe by the members of the gas engine room. The cans Joe throws out in the alley now don't have jagged edges.

"Patty" Gallagher started to raise a big mustache. He wanted to be a big man. He had a wonderful start but one night when Superintendent Buchanan passed by "Patty" decided to cut it off.

Jim Spence tells the boys if they keep on talking about golf he is going to make them show him. He threatens to dig out that old St. Andrews set of clubs that he used a long time ago on some of Chicago's best courses

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and show them a few things about driving, putting, slicing and missing.

About the best story of the year is the one of the "Four Trappers". They sallied forth to Whiting park to put in a new trap under the able direction of Buchanan. James, Ollrich and Carrette got the trap together. It worked fine until some one yelled "pull". With the "pull" came a shower of clay pigeons that sent them running for the club house. They had set it up backwards. It is suggested that they leave it that way and use a board to strike at the pigeons as they come toward them. The scores are bound to improve.

Harry Rabe and family attended the circus recently at Chicago.

"Mike" Maloney, helper at the gas engine room, is proud of a new nick name recently hung onto him. He is now known as "Pilot". They took his picture but made him keep his hat on.

Roy Welsby is now working at the gas engine room after many years at the crude station. This will probably improve his golf if he will listen to Carlson. McGarty used to be instructor for Roy but he didn't do so well.

#### *Industrial Engineering Department*

The sons of Neptune, J. P. Jones, R. Stadler, S. Langner, A. F. Wilson, and R. F. Lotz, splash and dive like graceful fish in the evenings at the Community Center pool.

Members of the office enjoyed a large batch of home-made delicious fudge, distributed by Mr. Novy. Thanks are due to Mrs. Novy's culinary ability and Mr. Novy's strength of arm.

"Dick" Malmgren wore out a can opener during the recent illness of Mrs. Malmgren.

Lost, strayed, or stolen: A delicious, home-made apple pie, last seen in a Ford sedan. Please return to the owner, Andrew Henry Schuchman.

Did you see her? O boy, is she a beauty! Who? None other than Rudy Lotz's sail boat.

Spring is here! Archie Wilson, Andy Schuchman, and little Ellen skipped their way home one recent evening.

In the near future one may see Richard Stadler blazing down the road in a "gas buggy". He hopes to join that already uncountable army of car owners. Everyone tried to give him a bit of good advice, but he won't believe that his troubles are just to begin.

It is necessary to record the removal of this office, during March, from the paraffin building to larger quarters at the carpenter shop office. All members regretted leaving the good friends in the paraffin office.

#### *Main Office News*

Tony Sech and his new car have developed an extensive following.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Russell are the proud parents of a baby girl. Mrs. Russell is the former Loretta Opperman. Congratulations.

Velma Kaine and Jennie had joined the rank of those with long tresses, but they must have tired of the many hairpins. They both had their hair cut. Irene, Julia and Peg are still in the long hair race.

Johnnie, the messenger, must have followed the same drastic course for some reason, for when he finally did get off in a corner and take off his cap, assisted by someone else, it was discovered that all his blond tresses had been shaved off.

The girls are having races to see who will be the first to have rides in the new cars now making their appearance at the office. Lucke has a new Auburn and Peg and Agnes had the honor of the first ride in that, while Julia, Jennie and Emma Benko did first honors to Tony's new Oldsmobile.

Bill Davis has been serving on a jury.

Em Staley has become air-minded lately. Her new apartment is three flights up, instead of two.

Al Meldahl, the peanut vendor, sells peanuts while they're hot. Those who want a big bag should come around on Thursday.

Diets seem to agree with Peg Gleason. Every time she misses a meal she gains weight.

Mary Kish has been transferred to the tabulating room from the shipping office. Her new friends hope she noticed the "Welcome" on the door mat.

Things hard to imagine: Dee Knerr tall and fat; Valma Kaine on a diet; Mary Kish not laughing; Irene Shinn having her hair cut; Louise Fandrei not smiling; Agnes Swanson frowning; Mr. Stenhouse not saying "Good morning, everybody"; Emma Staley not eating peanuts; a muffler on Sech's telephone; Peg getting thin on a diet; Emma Benko loafing; Julia Buckley remaining silent for 60 seconds; Graf impersonating a woman; George Hamlin in overalls; Frank Reling in knickers; Harry Krieger on a diet.

Miss Louise Fandrei has been transferred to the new barrel house. The girls hope Weezie likes her new surroundings.

Helen Brown received a beautiful diamond from the "Prince Charming". Spring is here!

#### *Research Laboratory*

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Chester Adams, a son, Charles Collyer, on April 7; and to Mr. and Mrs. John E. Moore, a daughter, Betty Ann, on April 16.

F. W. "Kit" Kitrell, famous creator of the Safety cartoons which appear monthly on the back cover of the *Stanolind Record*, recently visited the laboratory. His many friends here were glad to see him again.

About a dozen men of the laboratory attended the A. C. S. meeting in Indianapolis, some of them flying down in the *Stanolind III*.

The laboratory is now undergoing its annual redecorating. Under the watchful eye and able direction of master painter Michael A. Kammer are P. Szymensky, J. Warshelo, Max Bluhm and Paul Duha.

#### *Filter Plant*

Two new recruits have been added to the list of golf players, Charles De Sutter and Russell Quinn. There's a rumor that Chuck, playing his first game at the South Shore Country club, made the course in par. Russ will, no doubt, make his debut at "Tod park".

James LaPert purchased a new Willys-Knight recently and says that "Lizzie" hasn't anything on "Willy" now.

Mr. and Mrs. Aylmer Quisenberry are the proud parents of a baby daughter.

Horseshoe pitching is again in the spotlight. Emil Biesen and Al Schaefer take the laurels at this time. Ollie Smith and Don Colburn are also playing in mid-season form.

A new tuxedo will soon be put into use, as Deal Wiltshore will attend formal affairs in the near future and a "tux" it will have to be, says he.

Andy Vrabel is taking guitar lessons and hopes to play over the radio in the future.

Anna Zona is letting her hair grow. The boys will be glad to see that little girl of yesterday again.

The filtering oils department extends its sincere sympathy to Bob McClelland in his recent bereavement.

#### **Paraffin Department**

Bill Bohnsack was away for several days after having a toe nail removed. Reports from the treating house had it that Bill had his leg taken off at the knee.

Joe Gasinski, who is now on his vacation, says that as in mailing letters, one should take vacations early and often.

Those wishing to take golf lessons should apply to Sammy Armstrong early, as Sam has a number on his waiting list now—waiting for him to learn how to play.

E. H. Bleeker of the carbinol plant recently spent three days abroad on company business.

Jake Jacobson is going to caddy for Max Joyce while Buck, who is a wizard at adding large numbers, will be his scorekeeper.

Jim Dinges, who is known to have worked in a circus some time during his shady past, recently demonstrated his fire-eating abilities by devouring two pounds of wild onions. Needless to say, Jim had No. 36 pump house to himself for the rest of the shift.

Chris Borg of the carbinol plant is called "Portsider" because he walks sideways.

### **WOOD RIVER, ILL.**

#### **Pipe Department**

The employees extend sympathy to George Homm at the death of his sister on April 15.

Walter Fields took a bunch of the pipe shop employees to Calhoun county on April 19 to be apple blossom spectators. Walter is proud of the old home in blossom time.

Eddie Smith was seen painting a chair in his back yard. Some one asked him about it and Eddie said it was his ball game chair. He has it ready for the Riverfront park games this season.

Ben Weinrich, Ike Crofton, Troy Kessinger went out after dandelions on April 19 and returned with several bushels apiece. Anyone caring for a bouquet, just say the word.

Merle Manley has found a dandy recipe for doing away with kittens, but not old cats. It cost Merle one dollar's worth of chloroform and some labor to learn. Merle put all the chloroform under a tub with a cat and eight

kittens. The next day he lifted up the tub and the old cat walked out but the kittens were a little dizzy—otherwise they were O. K.

The "Dandelion Quartet" sang several pretty songs at the apple blossom dance given by the boys who formerly lived in Jersey county. The quartet was composed of Jersey and Calhoun county boys: C. Cason, Mike Stosky, Mike Fedorka and Kid Darr. They sang "Apple Blossom Time", the floor of the hall being sprinkled with blossoms. Walter Fields gave a monologue. Ninety couples were present and everyone received apple blossoms and dandelions as a gift.

Jim Winters, Slim Burch, Riley Hefner, Ding Custer, Baldy Durham and Hezekiah Wolf have had their pictures taken and will enter them in the beauty contest at the Green county fair in August. Spike Van Camp has also entered a single pose. The Toonerville Trolley will run excursions to the contest.

Barney Jacobs, Kid Ritter and Bill Kaeser attended the opening of the new theatre at Grafton. These boys always go to the old home town whenever there is a grand opening.

#### **Machine Shop**

John Maurice is considering going to Ireland on his vacation to learn how they sharpen their mowers to cut the bogs, so he can fix George Veach's mower to cut sparrow grass.

George Veach says he would not refuse either the chief of the tin department or chief of police jobs of Wood River, as he thinks he could handle either.

It is expected that Janitor Pres Atkinson will be the harbor master of Alton.

Julius Gamer is on the sick list. The boys hope he will soon be back.

Ed Kerwin was operated on for appendicitis at St. Joseph hospital, Alton, on April 22. He was getting along fine, according to the latest report.

Miller at last has a new Ford in place of that 1926 model, and now the folks along the route will enjoy their sleep in the morning.

William Shampine is sporting a 1931 Chevrolet sedan.

Earl Stamper says he does not know where he will spend his vacation, but thinks it will be Colorado again. Earl knows where the good fish live out there.

#### **Refinery Labor**

Gravy is selling tickets for a spiritual singing in the Alton High school by 150 voices, for the benefit of a colored playground.

Jameson is running in tough luck. The first day out on the farm he lost the big knife Shawmeker gave him.

Red Tolbert has been sick for a week, and that is some news, as Red doesn't get sick often. He is a hard boiled red-headed wild cat, at work or play.

Baseball season is here and the refinery labor department has a team open for a little game of diamond ball any night after work. Lefty Jones is on first, Eden in the box and Gibson of the Standard baseball team in the outfield. Ignatz Miletello is manager of the bats and Joe Beggs is water boy.

## Annuitants

With regret the *Stanolind Record* chronicles the death of the following annuitants: James G. Sweeney, who died May 28, 1931, and John McElroy, who died May 14, 1931.

The Board of Directors has recently approved an annuity for the following employee, according to an announcement of F. T. Graham, secretary:

Frank Green, 4809 Baring avenue, East Chicago, Ill.

Mr. Graham also announces the following changes of address of annuitants:

William J. Hawkins, c/o Dr. Greig, 2467 Telegraph avenue. Berkeley, Cal.

John Amos, 2302 Potomac avenue, Chicago, Ill.

Edward L. West, 4020 Walnut street, Kansas City, Mo.

B. H. Fettig, 203 Franklin avenue, River Forest, Ill., c/o Mr. Egbert Schrik.

William Anderson, 1521 11th Avenue south, Minneapolis, Minn.

Roy M. Heist, 111 25th street. S. E., Cedar Rapids, Ia.

## Dirty Faces

With a balance of \$35,325.89 in all funds May 1, 1931, and with 1195 members in good standing, W. O. Walker, secretary of the Whiting Mutual Benefit Association, reports receipts during April totaling \$676.00 and disbursements amounting to \$932.75. Funds are invested as follows: trust account, \$35,000.00; savings account, \$25.30; checking account, \$300.59.

Servant Girl: "Madam, master lies unconscious in the hallway, with a piece of paper in his hand and a large box alongside."

Mme. X (joyously): "Oh, my new hat has arrived."

The new school master spied the three-legged stool. "Is this the dunce block?" he asked a pretty little child.

"I guess so," said she with a lisp. "That's where the teacher sits."

Lady (to applicant for position of governess): "Why did you leave your last place?"

Applicant: "I refused to wash the children."

Children (in chorus): "Engage her, mamma!"—*Exchange*.

## The Best Memory System

Forget each kindness that you do as soon as you have done it;  
Forget the praise that falls to you the moment you have won it;  
Forget the slander that you hear before you can repeat it;  
Forget each slight, each spite, each sneer, wherever you may meet it.  
Remember every kindness done to you whatever its measure;  
Remember praise by others won and pass it on with pleasure;  
Remember every promise made and keep it to the letter;  
Remember those who lend you aid and be a grateful debtor.  
Remember all the happiness that comes your way in living;  
Forget each worry and distress, be hopeful and forgiving;  
Remember good, remember truth, remember heaven's above you,  
And you will find, through age and youth, that many hearts will love you.

"Waiter, what is this on the bill?"

"Bungalow fluff, sir, at 40 cents a portion."

"But what is it?"

"Formerly cottage pudding, sir, at 15."

Mother: "When that naughty boy threw stones at you, why didn't you come and tell me instead of throwing them back at him?"

Willie: "What good would it do to tell you! You couldn't hit the side of a barn."

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#### General News

Strange arguments start at lunch tables. For months, at the Whiting main office dining room, the "sports" argument centered around the possible outcome of a golf match between Manager H. F. Glair and George Watts vs. Jack Catterall and Phil Kraul. The bantering reached such proportions that Mr. Glair eventually decided to make a "golfing party" out of the event and those included in it presented themselves one day in May, at the beautiful Lake Hills Country club for play.

Golfers never started to play under more ideal conditions and Lake Michigan weather never changed more abruptly. The first hole was played in midsummer weather, but a hail storm hit the players on the second hole. All ran for shelter but Dr. Myrick, who was playing his first game of golf. Hail storm or not, Mike was going to hit the ball, and hit it he did, with the helpful remarks from those in shelter that golfers can so skillfully construct.

Catterall and Kraul won the 18-hole match, steak dinners were consumed and prizes were distributed.

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Mr. Glair registered as a most congenial host and his guests so acclaimed him, leaving the party without the slightest recollection of the climatic hardships they had endured.

### Main Office

Ever since Leo Mulva got a ride in Bill Davis' Hobart Special he believes in the slogan "Shake well before using".

There isn't much to say about Harry Krieger since he spends three-fourths of the time listening to Tony and doesn't get a chance to say anything.

It may be hard for some fellows to get a girl but for Tony Sech it's hard to keep away from them. Whenever the girls want a ride they stand in line and await their turn.

Andy Morris has something to argue about now. It's baseball season again.

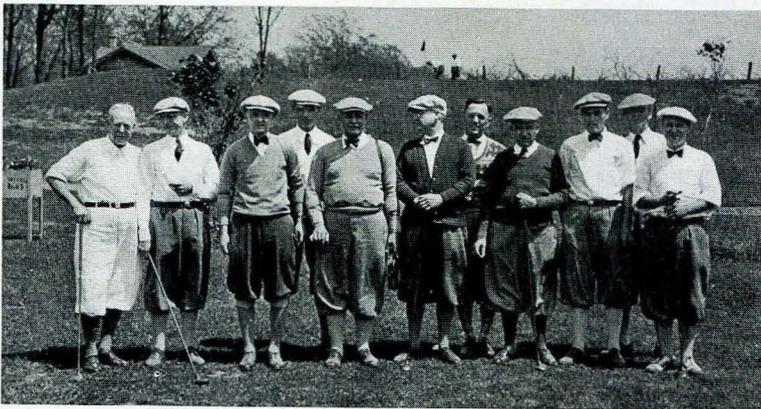
Bill Davis brings his big limousine to work almost every day now. A typical Hobartian. Yes, sir. And he doesn't forget to bring the lawnmower with him either.

Some folks wonder if Peg Gleason thought she was impersonating Diana at the Fountain when she was taking a drink the other day.

Every one at the office is learning a lot about South America these days, the reason being that Mr. Yates of the tabulating dept' is back again. He is welcomed.

### Filter Plant

Again "golfing with the reporter" is the main attraction. Charles DeSutter, Dave Clements and Frank Prugh went out golfing one fair morning in May, and, to the surprise and delight of many, Frank captured high honors. Sensational and accurate drives, putts, etc., were made by the trio. Shooting the course in par was a strain, and the players were weary and (oh no, not disgusted) almost exhausted. After making a birdie on the 18th hole they left for home, convinced that they had ventured enough for one day.



While Dr. R. T. Myrick was meticulously attiring himself for his alleged first game of golf, R. F. Storer took this picture of the other members of Manager H. F. Glair's recent storm-chased golfing party at the Lake Hills Country club. Critics have ventured the question of whether the expressions, postures and shin alignments shown here were assumed for the occasion or are just naturally warped. Those in the photo are, left to right: W. P. Stenhouse, W. N. Bercaw, J. F. Hewson, P. L. Kraul, H. F. Glair, F. M. Rogers, G. W. Watts, F. T. Graham, E. J. Shaeffer, R. R. Tilton and F. D. Rexwinkle.

Emil Keilman also deserves mention for his remarkable playing with golf clubs.

Andy Vrabel gave the girls another big treat recently when he was an invited guest to the Whiting High School prom.

Carl McCaw has purchased a "Maxwell", and informs the world that it runs like a top. Getting out and spinning it every once in a while to get it started is where the likeness to a top comes in, evidently.

Emma Quinn recently returned from Toledo where she visited her daughter and friends.

Dean Wiltshire has been going around singing "Lover, Come Back to Me". Another romance cast upon the rocks is the answer.

Chris Baadsgaard traveled to Louisville to witness the Kentucky Derby. "My horse is still running," says Chris.

Extra! Extra!! Read next month's thrilling and most daring story of how John Kidnay, Louis Wohrle and Claude Quisenberry were taken for a ride. Prominent gasoline merchant and others involved.

### Paraffin Department

Wm. Bohnsack's wife left recently for a few months' visit in Europe, leaving Bill home to do the cooking for himself and the cat. After eating some of Bill's culinary art for a week, the cat died, and, from the looks of Bill, he will soon be following the cat.

Harold Brown has just finished building a garage, but he must have used a longer rule when he measured the back of the garage as it is 18 inches wider at the back than at the front. Harold also put a hip roof on his garage to make it look like a barn. He is planning on getting a horse and wants the horse to feel at home.

Since Russell Butler has purchased a car, Charles Willette has issued a warning to all people living on Davis avenue to keep their cars off the street as Mrs. Butler is learning to drive.

Bill Crum has built a beautiful home near the park in north Hammond. Now all Bill needs is a gun with electric lights on it so he can see to shoot mosquitoes at night.

Vincent Kaminsky, the sheik of the paraffin lab., is just about to take that fatal step. He has been seen painting his girl's bicycle and doing other little things that only those in love will do.

Walter Prugh, the Sonny Boy of the paraffin lab., surely swings a wicked golf stick. He made Todd Park in 237. Vincent Kaminsky carried his clubs.

Paul Janos, the king of Zupa Kochistska, promised to bring a pipe from the old country for one of his friends. When he got back he said that the pipe was too large to fit in his trunk. This puts Paul in the same class with Windy Bob Leeson of the carbinol.

Clarence Masterson, gum chewing king of the reducing stills, has two paces, one for inside and the other outside. Clarence surely can step when the Ford isn't at the gate to meet him.

Ignatz Strbjak spent his vacation fixing up his houses in Whiting and Robertsdale.

This isn't late news, but it's news just the same. John Kubek of the wax refinery received a hat for Christmas, but for some unknown reason he didn't thank the sender.

In order to get an automobile radio for their cars, Mary and Gertrude of the paraffin laboratory have signed a contract with the Hydrox people to take a quart of ice cream every week until—well, ask Brown.

Oily Joe Priaboy, the Safety man from Budapest, lost his hat in Indiana Harbor. Being unable to locate the hat, he has hired Detective Chuck Mullaney. Chuck and Joe are good friends.

Dizzy Joe and his cousin Mat have put their savings together and bought Harold Brown's old Ford.

Since Greasy PeeWee Eberly has had a few shifts as extra helper his hat doesn't fit him any more.

The cigars were great that Rex passed around when he announced the arrival of a baby girl recently.

Jim Korczyk's car is acting mulish these days. The other night Jim stopped for air at 121st st. and Indianapolis blvd., but the muley car didn't want any air and backed right up into a store across the corner.

Despite the heavy affairs of city government, Mayor Boyle still retains his cheery disposition.

Glenn Henry lost 11 golf balls at Turkey Creek at the tournament. If he were to hit them straight and easy, they would never be lost. Besides, it's the shortest way around.

"Tim" Stockdale, the hole-in-one expert from the paraffin dep't, is out socking the pellet again. Look out, Bobby Jones.

John Radloff, fire chief at the paraffin dep't, is sporting a new spiked hat and shiny badge.

#### Filling Racks

Anderson Bratcher says his DeSoto isn't much, but he doesn't need to carry a red can

for gas the way J. Gemerck does for his Oakland.

Joe Kovach (Statue) and Dewey Wright (Crip) recently raced from one end of the rack to the other. The record was eight hours for one and eight hours and thirty minutes for the other.

Zanal Sal says he enjoys taking a shower bath when someone turns the steam off.

Boys who want to buy a really good second hand car should see G. Murser, the Essex dealer.

Bert Wilson has just returned from the dear old Kentucky hills where he has been enjoying his vacation and purchased J. Woosley a brand new suit of duck head overalls. The boys should see him strut!

John Hickey and John Germeck want their vacations at the same time.

John Germeck is planning a trip to Reno, Nev. No one knew John was married.

#### Steam Department

Ed Tetzlaff made a trip down home to the old farm at Rochester, Ind., while on his vacation and Don Powell went to Bloomington, Ind.

Ike Crain is up in the Wisconsin woods catching muskies, as it is too early to pick huckleberries.

Charles Marvel does not know what he is going to do or where he is going on his vacation.

Art Glans is having some sort of a vacation working the 12:00 to 8:00 o'clock shift and being on jury service at Crown Point. When is Art going to get through painting his house?

How is it that Ray Cotner, a staunch Cub fan, has been cashing in on all these games the Cubs are losing?

Remember 'way back when the old familiar tune was "Old rags, old iron"? Times have only changed the words and now it is "Old cars, old cans." At the steam department Antique Collectors Ed Phillips, Dan Southard, Don Powell and John Barry will attest. "Name your price" is the watchword. Pontiacs and Studebakers are the choice morsels. Here's Van's chance.

Comparison of figures between Big Bill and Romancheck, indicate clearly into whose cup the top of their daily joint quart of milk goes. Jim had better get it in pint bottles.

Papas Thomas and Hewitt now take the place of Tommy and Chuck. They are both girls, and while some prefer boys all the fellows are of the same opinion concerning the cigars.

#### Transportation Department

Behold, Whiting is in third place in the Safety contest. "Let's all pull to first place" is a good motto!

Edward, the sweet and docile Swede, is still heard chanting that lonely war song, "Pretty soft for you!"

Brooks has "reported" his turkey crop is lost as the windmill fell on all of them. But Chester still has that corn in the old school house yet.

'Tis hinted that "English" keeps a strictly watchful eye on "Baldy".

George, expressman, is keeping an eye peeled for the fellow who has been taking fruit and sweets out of his truck lately.

Famous last words by H. Koch: "Why, yes, just remind me of that in the morning."

Sparky belongs to the Swiss navy as he went to help bury the Dead Sea. English should please note.

Clay Smith of Goose Island and all points south may be seen parading the avenues via a new Chevrolet.

"Baldy Bell", the ladies' idol, surely can make those 4200 north grinds in a hurry now since his girl is back in Whiting. It is rumored that Baldy likes red hair and blue gas.

Bard Howerton is in the junk business now and was seen leaning on the fence doing guard duty lately.

It seems that there is a new man in this department named "Allover Twist", but known to the boys as "Raincrow". When he sings "Baldy" says he reminds him of the nightingales down in Lukin where the crawfish crawl, but to the rest he sounds like an airdale.

Matty Twomey has moved to East Chicago and is seen riding the street cars lately. The boys wonder if the Mrs. won't let him drive the car.

James McKinley was seen doing his stuff sawing wood at the Salvage Lumber Yard the other day.

Marvin Ralph eats four times a day. He says he gets lonesome since Mike has left.

Old Crushed Fruit is seen once in a while. It burns him up just as it does Baldy to be called that. Apologies to Mulford.

Handsome Harry is a singer of note. Anyone wanting to hear the latest popular song should tune in with Herbie.

Fred "Rocky" Barnes is on the sick list. Everyone is hoping to see him on the job again soon.

Nate, night man, is doing exceedingly fine keeping the trucks filled with gas and oil.

Grundy and Oller went on a big fishing trip one morning at 4:00 a. m. Result: One fish was caught by Grundy weighing not quite one quarter of an ounce.

DeBarge, the snuff bum, has been crowing lately, as has also Baldy. Slim Johnson says it reminds him of a couple of turkey buzzards, only slightly different in some respects, and a poor demonstration of a pheasant. Slim thinks that perhaps it was a bald headed French pheasant.

Soupbone Simpson, the boneless wonder, tried to slip away this time, but from what Slim Johnson tells he has his number.

"Kingfish" Willis likes to haul barrels and cinders and Scotty, the fire chief, all around the plant.

Everyone is anxiously waiting to see Barney with his store teeth.

All were sorry to learn of the misfortune which overtook Austin Pinkstaff and hope his

arm will soon be O.K. Best wishes from the gang for a speedy recovery.

Keep after that Safety contest, fellows. Wear Safety shoes.

Everyone wonders why "Baldy" couldn't understand the introduction which he was given one night down at the carnival. Did the monkeys have him frightened?

M. J. Hannon, general coreman, was recently awarded his 30 year pin. Best wishes to "Mike".

The fellows say "Baldy" was admiring those girls' pictures in the May issue of the *Stanolind Record*. He said he'd like to live in Joliet. The boys wish to know when he is going to move and if he won't have a little off the top before he goes.

Billy Groat, coffee mill mechanic, is kept busy these days. Slim Johnson says Billy is good in a "pinch".

"Allover Twist Renfrew" has purchased a new Chevrolet. Last year it was a Ford. Wouldn't be surprised to see "Baldy" in one next. Those girls will giggle then.

Things everyone would like to know: Why Baldy likes to hear the girls laugh and have the barber take some off the top. Why Mills has those shaking spells. Why Soupbone has been so quiet. Why Jumbo goes fishing wearing three raincoats. Where Howerton gets all his latest news. How Raincrow sells so many cars and who teaches handsome Harry all those songs.

#### Tower Stills

If anyone noticed a lot of red pails walking up the street a few weeks ago he might have seen John Graves under a few of them. He took them to the country and traded them for eggs or hay or anything the farmers had to trade. They might have made good honey pails.

Jim Spencer, it seems, is getting younger every day (or night). A few weeks ago Jim and a friend attended a lodge meeting at Gary. Being rather early in the morning, on their return to Whiting, they were sitting in front of Jim's house talking when a cop opened the door of the car to see what was up and finally told them he thought it was time married men were getting to bed. And Jim did not argue with him. He said later, "He was right and I couldn't."

What makes carrots grow? What makes onions strong and what way does one plant potatoes to make them grow? Those are a few of the thousand questions "Patty" Gallagher has been asking lately. But someone must have told Pat to plant the spuds only when it was raining, for one day in a down-pour of rain, Pat was seen in the back yard planting spuds in a four by six patch. Bets are three to one that his spuds will have their eyes washed out when they come up, if they do.

Bill Ullmark had a pair of gloves. They were so nice and new he laid them down and went outside, a little job to do. While he was gone, a man all wrong, over these new gloves bent, with a little squeeze some limburger cheese into the fingers went. So after a while, Bill with a smile, grabbed his

gloves so nice and new, and with a shout, his hand came out, and all Martin said was "phew". Moral: Stop, look and be careful.

### *Pressure Stills*

Charles Stickley has rented a piece of land from Armstrong and planted cabbage seeds and onions. But owing to the recent rain storm his piece of land was under water for three weeks. That was hard luck for Charley. He had better make a swimming pool out of it.

Hiram Blair spent the first week of his vacation in bed and the second week managed to work a little on his half acre farm that he rented of A. C. Armstrong near the oil well.

Shorty Boyle was getting an estimate on paper hanging for three rooms at his home and when he found it would cost six dollars he started in to do the job himself. But poor Shorty, stepping higher than his ladder reached, which meant he had to land somewhere below, fractured two ribs and lost three days from work. Then he had to hire a man to finish the job.

Harry Stross is down in Texas rolling cobble stones off his fruit farm and it is taking him a month to do the job.

John Cunningham left for a two week fishing trip at the old homestead in Wisconsin. Good luck to John.

Bill Garrett had a little argument about boxing. A 110-pounder said to Bill, a 225-pounder, "The higher they are the harder they fall." Garrett said, "The smaller they are the farther they can be knocked." But Bill didn't have time to find out just how far he could send 110 pounds as he was busy picking himself up.

Luke Kelly is now getting his limburger cheese from Joe McKenna. Kelly says the aroma from East Chicago is far superior to what he gets in Chicago.

Ed Cotner bought a Chevrolet before he left on his vacation and said that if it doesn't run walking is not crowded.

Luke Kelly and Art Dust are going into the coal business, since they made the grand rush on the coal mine in the East Side.

What will the big butter and egg man, Bubble Peterson, do when the street cars are taken off? He will probably get out the old Dodge and burn up some Stanolind Blue.

Fred Mier is back to work and the boys are surely glad to see him.

Chief Sweikert, another Cub fan, is not saying anything this year. Prediction is that the Cubs will be glad to finish in second division.

### *Tower Stills*

Representative Charles Groat takes this means of thanking the collectors and employees of the tower stills division for the generous way in which they responded in the taking of the annual collection of the S. O. Athletic Association.

### *Steam Stills*

Some time ago Glenn Shustrum came to work looking much the worse for wear. Glenn claimed an automobile accident caused it all. That may be true, but the little fellow who works on top seemed to have a different opinion.

Any one wishing to be sure of a supply of winter apples may do so by seeing Charles Pederson, of the S. S. Pump House. Charlie is a big peach and apple man from Crocker, by heck!

It had been a busy day at the steam stills. Many receivers had been pumped to the shipping tanks. Credit was due some place and "Butch" claimed it all. "Yes, sir," said he, "I handled them all myself." Everything was fine until someone suggested that he (Butch) was the reason for one of the products being off test. "Oh," piped up George, "Gus was the one who started them." Butch is surely giving Bill Hunter a close run.

Bob Davidson and Ted Brown are spending two weeks at Louisville, Ky., at a military training camp. (Kentucky belles please note.)

In days of old when knights were bold, a glorious sight to see, were men of brawn, with good swords drawn, their arms swinging mightily. 'Twas ever so since long ago, for men both large and small, with stunts and weights, for prizes and stakes, to show their strength to all. Now "Butch" was just that sort of man, though small, his strength was great. His biceps bulged like premium hams, his chest was thirty eight. George chose a tank of forty feet, with floating roof attached, to show his strength, he'd lift that roof, old Butch was surely rash. George grabbed a chain, and gave a heave, the roof budged not an inch. All that he did was ruin the chain, that roof was not a cinch. The charge was forty dollars. "Butch" could not tell a lie. "Twas not my fault at all," said he, "it was some other guy."

### *Shipping Department*

And the best shall come last. Much has been said of the accomplishments of teams and individuals in the bowling season that closed some time ago, but there remains to be chronicled what is probably the highest score attained among all bowlers of the entire Stanolind Family in the season past. To Pete Liesse of the Whiting shipping department goes the honor of rolling a three game series of 752, a mark 71 points above the high three game figure of 681 set by the leading man of the Stanolind Bowling league, composed of members of the General Office and the Chicago Sales division. Liesse's high single game was 279 and his average for 81 games was 189. These scores should prove great incentives among Standard Oil bowlers during the season to come.

### *WOOD RIVER, ILL.*

#### *Welding Department*

Allen Cartwright has been downhearted recently. He got a shoe shine one day and then remembered that he was wearing Kinkel's shoes.



### Elected Midwest Director

**W**ALLACE L. GREINER, treasurer and general auditor of the Midwest Refining Company since 1929, has been elected to the Board of Directors of that company to fill the vacancy caused by the recent resignation of Ralph O. Dietler, according to an announcement made on June 27, 1931, by T. A. Dines, president of the Midwest Refining Company. Mr. Greiner became associated with Midwest in 1921 as assistant to the auditor and was made general auditor in 1927 and treasurer in 1929.

### Annuitants

With regret the *Stanolind Record* chronicles the death of Annuitant John Dostatni, who died June 22, 1931, and Annuitant Mike Jusko, who died June 28, 1931.

The Board of Directors has recently approved annuities for the following employees, according to an announcement of F. T. Graham, secretary:

William G. Long, 158 N. Ridgeland avenue, Oak Park, Ill.

Joseph B. Wadsley, 415 College avenue, Storm Lake, Ia.

Charles Lauer, 211 Mott street, Saginaw, Mich.

Darby J. Whalen, 525 Maple avenue, Oak Park, Ill.

Mr. Graham also announces the following changes of address of annuitants:

Henry A. Biesen, 10524 Avenue H, South Chicago, Ill.

Edward F. Neff, 1414½ E. Dixon street, Glendale, Cal.

Otto Mahlitz, Route 1, Box 279, St. Joseph, Mich.

William Hermann, 7011 Jeffrey avenue, Chicago, Ill.

A. W. Cutright, 429 Bankers Building, Milwaukee, Wis.

W. W. Nicholas, c/o W. S. Fischer, Darien, Conn.

### Dirty Faces

With a balance of \$35,166.14 in all funds June 1, 1931, and with 1,194 members in good standing, W. O. Walker, secretary of the Whiting Mutual Benefit Association, reports receipts during May totaling \$634.25 and disbursements amounting to \$794.00. Funds are invested as follows: trust account, \$35,000.00; savings account, \$25.30; checking account, \$140.84.

### News of Refinery and Field

#### WHITING, IND.

##### Tower Stills

Jim "Beans" Robertson certainly doesn't know his beans. Getting up from the breakfast table recently he grabbed the first sack he saw and went to work. Just before noon he discovered that his lunch was made up of string beans and about the time the Mrs. started to cook her beans she almost cooked Jim's lunch. But with the aid of Mr. Bell's invention Jim finally received some lunch in exchange for his beans.

A friendly little argument resulted in a side bet being made on the ability of some well known trap shooters from the steam and tower stills and Butcher went forth all primed to show these tower still experts. The bluff worked, for James and Ollrich didn't show up to shoot against him, and Al Buchanan put himself in Class A instead of B, to avoid shooting against him. But Butcher stepped up in Class A himself and proceeded to show people how to shoot the clay birds.

Roy Welsby is surely growing wiser since going on the gas engines. Recently one could see two knowledge bumps on his head. The knowledge in each bump was that there is a governor ball hanging on the gas booster. But it's padded now.

On a recent fishing trip to the Kankakee river, a party of tower still employees had a great time and also discovered a new name for the ordinary small river crab. "Buck"

Parker insisted on calling them "night crawlers". Probably they are.

Dennis Hogan had the honor of having some of the Gaelic football players from Ireland visit at his home on their recent trip to Chicago, among them being the captain, John Sheely.

At another date the same fishing party with a few substitutions invaded Michigan City to take some of the fish from old Lake Michigan, but no chance. It rained so hard they couldn't get out of the car, so, driving back from Michigan City to South Chicago, they purchased enough perch to make it look good. A fish market is the best place to catch them.

Summer is here to stay. Chas. Coil discarded his sheep skin and Frank Moore his leather cap. "Little Billy" O'Donnell, formerly of the tower stills, visited Whiting recently. Joe Graves has taken to drinking hot water; it's easier on his nerves and pocketbook.

#### *Flower Show Displays Employees' Garden Talents*

The spring flower show of the Whiting Community Garden club, composed essentially of Standard Oil employees or former employees, was held on June 4. The people of Whiting are particularly proud of their flower shows and invite all the other members of the S. O. family to attend.

A number of the people who are interested in the shows and who display their beautiful flowers are: Plant Manager H. F. Glair; Assistant General Superintendent F. D. Rexwinkle; Drs. Snow and Broderon of the pressure still department; Dr. Myrick of the light oils department; Dr. Schmidt of the grease works; Dr. Sullivan and Messrs. Schnetzler, McClaughry, and Donham of the chemical laboratory; Roy Tilton of the filling racks and marine department; and Chas. Cunningham, former night superintendent of the light oils department and now an annuitant. Mr. Cunningham is spending much of his time since he has been on annuity in his hobby of gardening and his beautiful exhibit of iris shows that he is working hard with his new activity. Roy Tilton had a number of beautiful displays and won the spring trophy, having received the greatest number of prizes.

It was not a walk-away for Roy Tilton. He had close competition from Miss Irene Stewart, instructor in the Whiting High school in charge of the art department, and Dr. Snow and Mr. Cunningham.

#### *Filter Plant*

Henry Bodefled has been getting some hot tips on race horses lately. Every tip seems to be on the horse that chases the others around the track.

Alonzo Young is planning a fishing trip this summer. His only desire will be to catch larger fish than Bill Stover.

John Lampa, one of the distinguished shift workers, has been busy lately trying to persuade a partner of his to bring out a fan so he could keep cool. Instead of a fan a bucket of water was produced, and Johnny keeps cool just the same.

John Hahn and Jake Behrens were engaged in a friendly chat one night recently and a passerby believed the two were fighting. Jake moves his hands to express feeling and John moves his hands more or less for safety.

Pat Lynn, along with many others of the filter plant, have enjoyed their vacations. Pat loves scenery and many other things which were not considered as a "sight" in his younger days.

Carl McCaw changed cars again. He now frolics around in an Essex.

There is one head of hair missing in this department. Finder please return to Andy Kobulkanics.

#### *Research Laboratory*

L. L. Scott, formerly of the laboratory, on vacation from Aruba visited the laboratory the latter part of June. He showed a number of interesting pictures of the island.

A bachelor party in honor of Pat Lewis was held recently at Cedar Lake. Ralph Donham, well known Sunday school superintendent, put a lot of spirit into the presentation speech.

Dan Loetscher has had to cancel several engagements with the boys lately. He says it's his sister.

Fred Hadley expected to take his vacation starting July 4. Dailey says it was also a vacation for those left behind. He says it would have been still better if Joe Spears had taken his at the same time.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Joe K. Roberts, a son, Joe Kastle Roberts, Jr., on June 5, and to Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Shoemaker, a son, Rolland J., on June 16.

Lucille Hartman was married to Anthony Smith on July 6.

Al Hayes, MacKusick, FitzSimons, Arveson and Ray Jack have rented a house on Cedar Lake for the summer.

M. T. Carpenter drove to Kentucky over Memorial day for an unknown purpose. He came back alone.

Norm Lemmon continues to shoot his customary score at golf in spite of good or bad company.

The writer of these items acknowledges the past help of his process lab. correspondent, Joe Spears, but regrets that he is of no help this month due, perhaps, to the heat.

#### *Paraffin Notes*

Pittsburgh George Allen expected to spend his vacation making an inspection tour of the Allegheny coal mines east of Berry lake at Indiana Harbor, Ind.

Sam Armstrong still insists that he is the best golfer in the treating house. But the boys won't believe it until he has beaten Bill Bohnsack, Jim Lanham and Grandpa Willette.

George Wilt was fishing at Wolf lake recently. He landed a big fellow weighing 10 pounds, but it got away from him. How could he tell it weighed that much? George says he could tell by the scales.

Glenn Henry played so vicious a game of tennis recently that he slipped and lacerated his knee. It wasn't a lost time accident, but it made Glenn uncomfortable for a week with limping.