

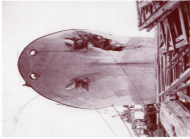
# Our Yard

SUN SHIPBUILDING  
AND DRY DOCK CO.  
FEBRUARY, 1951

*"And, having chosen our course, let us re-  
new our trust in God and go forward with-  
out fear and with manly hearts."*



**REPAIRED BY SUN SHIP IN LESS THAN 6 WORKING DAYS**



**S.S. ATLANTIC SUN, SHOWING DAMAGE**



**SAME TANKER BACK IN SERVICE**

# WHO'S WHO

Here's another page of photos showing how big you were as they look today and as children. Identify and write them up if you can! (Continued on page 32.)



# SERVICE PINS FOR DECEMBER



**BERNARD BROWN, BA,** is awarded a 25-year Service Pin by Capt. William Smith while members of the Westcott Board look on.



**BERNARD BROWN, BA,** is the recipient of a 25-year Service Pin from Capt. Raymond Whelan.  
Capt. William Henry Smith awards **FRANK WEL, BA-1001,** a 25-year Service Pin.



**JOHN BROWN, BA-1001,** is awarded his 25-year Service Pin by Capt. Frank W. Wel.  
**WILLIAM BROWN, BA-1001,** is awarded his 25-year Service Pin by Capt. William Smith.

## Safety Essay No. 2

### Subject: "Encouragement to Work Safely While On the Job"

This is the second in OUR YARD'S Safety Contest offering prizes for the best essays to reduce hazards and accidents in your home and in the Shopyard. Full details were carried in the January issue of OUR YARD.

Members of families of Sea Ship employees may compete, including the children, but the worker himself is not eligible.

FIRST PRIZE—\$1,000  
SECOND PRIZE—\$500  
THIRD PRIZE—\$250

Essays are limited to 300 words. The topic this month is "Encouragement To Work Safely While On The Job." We repeat some of the rules.

Write your 300 word essay on one side of paper only.

Give your own experiences and ideas and don't "borrow" from outside publications.

Don't worry too much about your spelling or grammar.

Prizes will be awarded by an impartial committee of judges, and winning essays will be published in OUR YARD magazine with pictures of the writers.

Your essay must reach the Safety Department not later than the 20th of each month. Mail promptly, this is important.

Now here are some suggestions on the second essay.

If thousands could but turn back the Clock of Time, they would be on earth and avoid their mistakes.

In a great many cases the family does not realize how important their actions and attitudes are to the safety of the industrial worker.

Let us make a few statements in the form of questions, not necessarily to be answered in your essay, but to set as a possible basis for the assigned subject.

1. What does his family mean to him?
2. Is he easy to approach?
3. Are the cares of his family too exacting?
4. Is he used to work with a free mind?
5. Is he troubled mentally with dis-appointments?
6. Does his family make it possible to save a portion of his earnings?

7. Does he make his own breakfast while the family sleeps?

8. Is life made happy at end of work day?

9. Does his positive encouragement from his family, a part on the back?

10. Do they appreciate what he is trying to do for them?

11. Is money a continuous obstacle to his happiness?

12. Do the children help to make the home happy and cheerful?

13. Does the spend most of his time at child?

These are thirteen questions rather personal, and to be answered often, but to point out how it is possible to go to work in a depressed and morose mood. A mental state absorbed not in the days work ahead but home conditions which may or may not be of his own making.

It is important that a person's mind be happy and congenial when he or she enters an industrial plant, anything in the nature of ill-effects at-tending to the work and creates a hazardous condition.

This ought to be a good one to write about. Good luck!

#### SERVICE PIN AWARDS TO OUR EMPLOYEES IN DECEMBER

40 Years	Archibald Brown
35 Years	Frank Ives
30 Years	John Price Benjamin Kuben William Stone

#### SALARY ROLL

15 Years	James Wallace Arthur Griffith
10 Years	Douglas Preston

#### HOURLY ROLL

30 Years	James Logan John Miller Lefley Blake Maurice Raynes Colburn Taylor James Stewart Jerry Johnson
25 Years	Henry Menden Peter Klein Ralph Fulkert George Lewis Raymond Wallace Thomas Castaldi Rufus Ingram Raymond Roman Robert Schindler Richard Stevens Howard Clark



Q—How much money have we Americans saved over in savings banks?

A—\$10,000,000,000 (ten billion bucks)

Q—How many of our homes have roofs?

A—An estimated 43,000,000. (Are we doing all right?)

## U. S. Merchant Fleet Is Ready For Bigger Defense Role In '51

By Frank J. Taylor  
President, American Merchant Marine Institute, Inc.

**T**HE year 1950 found the American Merchant Marine playing its traditional dual role — handling the nation's overseas commerce and at the same time actively working with our armed forces. Events indicate that in 1951, American shipping, operating on an expanding schedule, will devote a greater proportion of its tonnage to national defense purposes.

American shipping, which inevitably is the first American industry to be affected by international complications, slipped into its military role immediately after the outbreak of the Korean War when privately-owned ships were engaged to transport men and supplies. American steamship companies have also been operating the ships that were taken out of lay-up for use in the Korean campaign.

Just prior to the outbreak in Korea, the entire American Merchant Marine had slipped in its lowest post-war mark, namely 1,145 ships of 15,000,000 deadweight tons. The declining volume of world trade had been a factor in reducing the number of American ships in service. But with the rapid change in world events, the demand for shipping increased and by the end of the year, there were more than 1,600,000 tons of American ships in operation than at mid-1949.

The war had a disturbing effect on the passenger ship program anticipated for 1950. In July, when our forces were in Korea, the Joint Chiefs of Staff ordered that four of the six passenger ships then under construction, be completed as troop transports. These yardside, world cruiser liners and the 60,000-ton superliner were taken over by this order, but subsequently, the latter was excluded and is expected to be completed as a trans-Atlantic passenger ship.

The INDEPENDENCE and the CONSTITUTION, which are to be the fastest ships under the American flag, were too far advanced toward their completion as passenger ships to be affected.

### Big Tankers Completed

There was also activity in the field of tanker construction with the American fleet being enhanced by the completion of a line of super tankers, approximately 30,000 deadweight tons each, the largest in service. Several other large tankers were also completed to continue America's lead as the greatest tanker fleet operator in the world. They found immediate employment in a booming tanker market, stimulated by increased world consumption, particularly by the military services.

Apart from its direct cooperation with the fighting forces, the American Merchant Marine is also greatly assisting the national defense program through the transportation of strategic raw materials. The program in the stockpiling program has meant increased inputs, particularly in the last six months of 1950. At most every trade route on which American ships operate tape a cargo of available war materials that are essential not only to America's economic welfare, but to the new defense production program.

For the second year in succession there were no shipping strikes on the Atlantic and Gulf Coasts. These stable labor relations, which in every likelihood will continue in 1951, portend that every phase of the American Merchant Marine is in a position to give full and effective cooperation to any emergency tasks assigned to our industry.



**COVER A. SPICER**, age 5 1/2, who died August 29, 1950 was the son of Louis Spicer of 29 Department. A friend sent them the following poem to express their grief.

### TO ALL PARENTS:

"I'll find you for a little time a child  
of mine." He said.

"You you to love the while he lives  
and more for when he's dead,  
It may be six or seven years, or  
twenty years or there."

But will you, "M I'll call him back,  
take care of him for me!"  
He'll bring his shares to gladden  
you, and should his day be  
brief.

You'll have his lovely memories as  
souls for your grief.

I cannot promise he will stay, since  
all have such roots.

But there are lessons taught down  
here I want this child to learn,  
I've looked this wide world over in  
My search for teachers true.

And from the things that crowd  
life's lanes

I have selected you,  
Now will you give him all your love,  
and think the labor vain.

Not him, M when I come to call to  
take him back again?

I thought that I heard them say, Dear  
Lord Thy will be done!

For all the joy The child shall bring,  
the risk of grief we'll run.

We'll shelter him with happiness,  
we'll love him while we may,  
And for the happiness we've known  
forever grateful stay.

But should the angels call for him  
such, would that we've  
planned.

We'll leave the bitter grief that comes  
and try to understand."

## OUR FEBRUARY COVER

Through the courtesy of Houghton Publishing Company of New York we are using on our February cover page a striking illustration of Lincoln giving a ballast down the Mississippi River in New Orleans. It was on this trip that Lincoln saw the great machine and resolved to oppose slavery to the end.

## Smart Buys In Poultry

**S**HOOT of moving into your home and cooking the bird himself, your possibilities show everything possible to use your chickens, cooking choices. Whether the bird comes from the poultry counter or the frozen chest, it can be just about ready for the skillet, oven, or broiler when you get it. No pointed needles with feathers or virtually used steaks between you and your family's delight in a delicious favorite.

Modern easy-to-cook poultry is available in three basic popular market forms:

"Dressed" poultry. These have been slaughtered, bled, and plucked, but not drawn. The weight includes head, feet, and inedible organs.

"Ready-to-cook" poultry. All the waste has been removed but the bones.

"Chicken in pieces." These cut-up pieces make it possible for you to select portions you prefer. Many large cities now offer breasts, legs, wings, and giblets by the pound.

Low prices on light-weight birds present a golden opportunity to use our ever-popular chickens without loading the food budget. Particularly large supplies of chickens in the broiler-fryer class are reaching market now. Nationally speaking, prices for broiler-fryer chickens have been at or below the cost of production, and probably lower than they will average over the next several months.

Chickens in the broiler-fryer class weigh from 2 pounds (or less) to about 4 pounds, dressed weight or from  $\frac{1}{2}$  to about  $\frac{3}{4}$  pounds ready-to-cook. From the ready-to-cook whole chickens average about one-third more per pound than the dressed. In comparing prices, remember that practically all the waste has been removed from the ready-to-cook birds.

Low prices and ease of preparation newly add to the attraction of a meat feature based on just about every other count. Poultry menu rates with the best in town. Nutritional values are high. And chicken remains a frequent plate on the menu because of the wide variety of cooking styles.

In planning a menu around the



**WILCO CORRAHAN**, shown here, former top ship designer operating own outfit in Ohio, got a thrill recently when he saw the two-hull tanker "S.S. Siamtown" in the port of Tampala. It reached the West days after the war and is the shipyard on a certain water by the Chinese government. He photographed the ship and sent a photo to *The Oklahoman*, Tulsa, Ok., with the following letter:

Dear Mr. Peck:

It's a pleasure to write you from my country and wish to contribute to the *Oklahoman* and *Boy* such as a happy New Year.

Two days ago I was in Tampala in Atlantic port and I saw one of your beautiful tankers built in your yard.

I did not take a camera and I wish a picture that I'm sending you as a Chinese salute.

I believe with the international situation the yard will be filled up with ships under construction.

With best regards I remain,

Your truly yours,

WILCO CORRAHAN

"multi-purpose chicken," remember that it may be broiled, fried, barbecued, or roasted. Using these various cooking methods, you can choose from a host of recipes inherited from many countries, and suited to all manner of menus. Typical are such dishes as chicken Catalana, and turkey chicken with rice.

Turning to American cookery, we find recipes like the following for delicious roasted chicken, from the Delaware Extension Service. Use 1 young chicken (3½ to 4½ pounds), 1 to 1½ teaspoon salt, ¼ teaspoon

pepper, ¼ cup flour, ½ cup fat, 2 cups cream or rich milk, ½ pound dried mushrooms (optional) . . .

English chickens. Mix salt, pepper, and flour, and rub into chicken. Cook in hot oil until golden brown. Sprinkle remaining flour over top. Heat liquid to boiling and pour over chicken. Add more liquid if necessary to half cover chicken. Cover tightly and bake in moderate oven (350° F.) until tender, 1½ to 2 hours. (If mushrooms are used, allow, first to cream, and add to chicken.) This recipe serves five to six.



## ALL THESE VESSELS CAME TO SUN SHIP RECENTLY FOR REPAIRS

1. **GREENBUSH**—This new German tanker came to Sun Ship for engine repairs.

2. **ROBERTA**—Flying the Norwegian flag this ship was in drydock for annual repairs.

3. **WAGNER SUN**—A motorer tanker on which emergency repairs were made.

4. **NEWARK**—General repairs of an motor ship repair were made on this Texas Co. tanker.

5. **LIBERTY SUN**—Visited the drydock for periodical overhaul.

6. **WESSE WILMARD** No. 1—Removal of main shafts going water installed by General Electric. At the present time this shaft is operating on the lower end of Electric Island.

7. **FINNORON**—A Norwegian flag ship which was given a general overhaul and annual inspection.

8. **YUKI KANE**—A motorer tanker under the Panamanian flag. This vessel was formerly "The Glider" and came to Sun Ship for a machinery job and hullwork maintenance.

9. **NEW SCHER**—This vessel did not come for repairs but visited the yard to pick up a hullport for spare.

10. **DEWANE**—Annual overhaul of this well known pilot boat took place during a recent visit.

11. **BERGASON**—Emergency repairs were made on this Norwegian flag vessel which came to Sun Ship during January.

12. **MORNINGDO**—This was a Norwegian flag vessel which came in for annual repairs.

13. **WESSE BIRD**—Shifting engine was rebuilt on this Ocean of Engineers craft.

14. **LIBERTY LAFITE**—Hull repairs were made to this U. S. flag vessel which came in recently.

15. **WISS BRINING**—Collision damage repairs were completed on this ship within a very brief period.









# Rod and Gun News



By M. Zumbula

**D**URING the course of a year or so of growing years, I've often found myself contending in the age old argument as to whether the fox is a noble game animal or a predatory one. It usually starts when some person puts the lid on Key-man as the old villain in the present game bird scenario.

"I am in favor of the total extermination of the fox," he states, and the battle is on with claims and counter-claims concerning the fox's habits and character in general, combined in the strong, vigorous language arguments like to see when aroused. It is a controversy that may never be settled, so long as time lasts it will continue to generate ideas on trapset baits, humane killers, trapping traps and other means of getting rid of the bad-stone lawyer, but regardless of what one's feelings in the matter may be, it is certain that the fox has brought pleasure to many an otherwise humdrum life.

Just how smart is a fox? From the time of being down to now he's been called an pretty sharp fellow. How did he get that reputation? He would be an awful dull if he didn't get along pretty well in this world. He's equipped for it. I know of no other common creature that has developed the three senses of sight, smell and hearing to the degree found in the red fox. He combines these senses

with one more thing, a phenomenal memory.

How smart a fox really is depends on how well you know him. The trap-set knows him from one angle. The landowner of the pink coat variety knows a different side of him. The hunter with the ordinary bound knows him from yet another angle. To really know a fox a man should have a "go" at all angles, plus some ordinary woods hunting in the country.

The character of the fox is traditional, but at times not wholly accurate. It is true that foxes will run among sheep and cattle to utilize their nose. We have heard of foxes deliberately leading dogs to destruction ahead of sporting traps, but we do not give much credence to these stories. It may have happened, but I feel certain it was pure coincidence. We know foxes like to cross or sometimes follow railroad tracks, and we doubt these actions coincide with the passing of a train, but the approach of a fox crossing with a railroad timetable stuck in one paw, seems a bit bizarre.

Foxes do perform in an amazing manner at times. For one thing, they climb stone walls and shallow streams to throw off pursuit. I've seen them climb trees, red firs as well as pines, and one caggy old red stuck a good bound flat in a culvert and slipped away while we dug the one.

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## SUN SHIP DEER HUNTERS ARGUE

One of the wildest disputes among Pennsylvania sportsmen, including Sun Ship hunters, is the effort to reduce the deer herd and balance the ratio between bucks and doe deer.

When the State Game Commission wanted to kill off the excess female deer last Fall, hunting clubs and big game hunters circulated petitions and stopped the shooting of does in 11 counties. Since then the arguments have increased.

One of the new proposals is to follow the example of Maine and some other states in balancing the deer herd by permitting the shooting of either bucks or female deer. Hear the following from the Federation of Sportsmen's Club News.

Maine's sportsmen sometimes smile knowingly when they hear the cries of anguish uttered by fellow sportsmen in other states where conservation officials have been trying to relax the buck law, the Wildlife Management Institute reports. No one ever told them on the buck law and they were content to continue harvesting does as well as bucks year in and year out.

"If sportsmen from the buck-law states tell them they are recommending their does, they have some fairly convincing arguments on the other side. For the last three years, the annual bag of does has averaged over 25,000 in a state little more than half the size of Wisconsin. Twenty-five years ago only 6,170 does were taken. The herd has increased and it will increase in spite of the lack of special protection for does.

"In 1931, a two-hundred-pound doe was a rarity; last year weighing stations operated by the State Fish and Game Commission checked through 627 whitetails weighing over 200 pounds, and 55 that tipped the scales just the 200 mark. Not many of the buck-law states are producing doe of that size today, concludes the Wildlife Management Institute."

**TWO DEER** taken in Pennsylvania by a party of hunters including Department warden Frank Hunt and Ed Williams. Both deer are being skinned.



## -Junior Members-



**JAMES EDWARDS, JR.**, is a member of Collins Park High School. He is the son of "Red" Edwards, well known San Diego driver.



**WADE EDWARDS**, age 16, lives with his grandparents, Bob Carter, 2146, the grand associate of Representative Sawyer's office.



**THOMAS HESS**, 7 year old, and his grand father Capt. F. Hess of San Diego County.



**HARRY WHEELER**, age 16, is the brother of the brother of the Public Relations Dept.



**EDIE BAIRD, JR.**, and **JOSEPH BOREALIS**, 14 months, are the children of John Baird of the Magazine Firm.



**BOBBY HACKETT**, age 4, **SUSAN HACKETT**, age 3, **BLANCK HACKETT**, age 18, are the children of Tom Hackett of the State Office. Paul Hackett is brother, also appears in this edition of the magazine as a transporter in the Christmas card display.



## HOW CHRISTMAS CAME TO DIFFERENT OFFICES



**WELL DRINKING ROOM** — L. to R. Collins, Allen W. Cook, G. Taylor, G. W. White, E. L. Smith, J. A. Williams, J. J. Thompson, J. H. Smith, J. B. Johnson, J. Reynolds, J. J. Kralik, Edward Archibald, L. A. Patton, W. H. Miller, H. J. Bennett, J. H. Wilkinson, H. A. Williams, H. P. Hoffmann, G. Williams, G. Thompson, C. J. McCreary, J. H. Smith, J. H. Smith, J. P. Adams, G. J. Fisher, H. H. Smith, W. H. Smith.

**SALESMAN AND MISCELLANEOUS OFFICE** — Frank Hart, Thomas City, Edward Bell and Robert Thompson.



**REAR** — Jerry Ryan, William Schultz, Paul Sales, Beverly Williams, Harry Williams, Arthur Smith, Clarence Lister.

**DATA DEPARTMENT** — Paul Williams, Anne Williams, Betty Clark and Mary Perry.

**PURCHASING DEPT.** — G. W. Smith, G. W. Smith, Roy Brown, Edna White, Frank Howard, James Miller, Betty Robinson, Edna Clark, Peggy Jones.

# GAILY DECORATED TREES HELPED YULE CHEER



**ALLEGRA TREASURY OFFICE**—S. H. Harding, Ray Burgess, Harry Hammond, Janet Hartman, Jack Burgess, Beverly Smith, Howard Thompson, Helen Smith, Helen Harty, Annie Mae Harty.  
**MEMBERSHIP OFFICE**—Ann Swartz, Kaye Swartz, Grace Pitt.  
**SECRETARY**—Ann Swartz, Vera Swartz, Terry Crafts, Frank Kester, Joe Anderson, John Kester.

**EMPLOYMENT OFFICE**—Eugene Walker, George Lee, Mickey Ross, Ray Miller.

**DISCOUNT BUREAU**—Helen Smith, Robert Bennett, Lora Smith, Fanny Bishop, Harry White, Frank Wilson.

# CAROLS, BRIGHT LIGHTS, TREES AND GOODWILL AT YULETIDE



The Yuletide Committee has at its disposal a fine group of speakers to give the program at the Yuletide celebration. The speakers are: Dr. J. H. ... (The text is partially illegible due to the image quality.)



# PLANT WOMEN HAVE XMAS PARTY

*Pictures on this and next page were taken at the highly enjoyable Christmas gathering of present and former women employees. Singing groups, including associates, prove that everybody had a wonderful time.*





## CHRISTMAS PARTY

By Ann Smalley

The girls from the Main Office and many former employees had a wonderful Christmas party at the Club House on December 15, and would like at this time to express thanks to Nell Braten, general chairman, and the dinner committee consisting of Wagon Beaumont, Ethelna Haysworth, Anne Kamakura, Wilma Scott and Jessie Miller who worked hard and spent a great deal of their time to make the party such a success.

Upon entering the Clubhouse the girls were greeted by President Richard E. Burke, Vice President A. L. Nottus and Treasurer William Cameron who made short talks.

All the tables were beautifully decorated with Christmas centerpieces with individual placecards beautifully hand printed by Jessie Miller. Everyone also received a lovely handkerchief as a small gift.

John Urban, of the Engine Driveway House, an excellent player provided dinner music consisting of Christmas songs and other popular music.

Having enjoyed their turkey dinner, the guests got back and listened to entertainment provided by our own talented girls, Peggy McKinney, Peggy James, Chloé Scott, Lillian Gagnon, Shirley Frazee and Jeanne Walden, accompanied by Mabel Gibson.

Please accept our thanks for making the evening even more enjoyable. During the evening Mary Gossady Boygan disappeared from the party only to reappear dressed in a Santa Claus suit which was just the right clothes for a Christmas party.

The party will be long remembered by all.

## "All's Invented" — "Taxes Sold in 1933!"

We've always been a nation of inventors — developing new ideas, new ways of doing things to make life more pleasant and at the same time, making thousands of new jobs in the development of new products.

But, if all our inventions had led like the child of the United States Patent Office back in 1833, we'd still be using oil lamps, fireplaces, tin bath tubs, and horse carts!

The Patent Office administrators wanted to resign and in his letter of resignation he wrote:—"Everything seems to have been done, I just don't see how anything else can be invented because the U. S. Patent Office is running over with inventions."

Fortunately his belief didn't stop inventions then or in the years that followed. More than 2,500,000 inventions were patented after that official's statement that "everything seems to have been invented."

## Seaman's Wages Reach Near Peak

Basic wages for American ship seamen, the best paid in the world, have increased 204.1% since 1941.

The previous monthly basic income of an All was \$82.50, reaching \$141 at the war's end. Since October 1945 there have been eight successive wage increases and these have upped the monthly rate to \$233.41, a new high. Overtime earnings average 30% over basic wages. In addition seamen enjoy a pension and welfare plan along with food and lodging furnished by the steamship companies. The monthly basic wage rate for a typical U. S. flag Liberty type ship follows:

Basic	\$141.00
Wages	\$770.00
Sea Office	420.00
Second Office	110.00
Third Office	150.00
Over Expenses	280.00
Sea Job Expenses	400.00
Special Job Expenses	110.00
Ward and Provision	170.00
Radio Operator	152.50
Steward	170.00
Ship Surgeon (1 per ship)	120.00
Ship Yields	200.00
Deliverance Bonus (1 per ship)	110.00
Ship Expenses	200.00
Wages (15 per ship)	1,050.00
Seaman's Wages (12 per ship)	1,200.00
Wages (12 per ship)	1,270.00
Overboard	207.50
Overboard	200.00
Overboard in Money	270.00
Overboard (1 per ship)	110.00
Overboard (12 per ship)	1,170.00





## WETHERS.—2nd SHIFT

By Sam Stewart

"Miss Berke Hughes' baby picture appeared in the last issue of Our Yard on our Parade Page. It has taken quite a ribbing. You can almost hear someone yell "Hello, Baby!"

This post with Berke has been heading out signs on which was painted a duck carrying a new baby and the words "It's a boy." One might have thought he was the happy father instead of just a grandchild with his first grandchild. Congratulations to the grand father and mother and the happy grandpa. Oh, you' grand mother too.

After the successful appearance of our Parade Page, we are now working on a new feature which we hope will be as well received by our employees and families.

## OFFICE CHATTER

By Peg McKinney

Berke Gallagher became the bride of Al Wagner in December, and they are now waiting to move into their new home in Willey Park.

The first half of the bowling season was won by Arroy with Elmore Scott (Captain) and Kilo (Skip), Don Albrecht, Harry Stone and George Sims all doing their share of the bowling. The second half has already started with each team providing keen competition. A picture of the winning team will appear in the March edition of OUR YARD.

Helen Huey, Grace Davison, Helen Scott, Marge Drummond, and Berke Buntzke were hostesses recently at a party given for the employees at Valley Forge Hospital, Valley Forge, Pa. On February 15th the girls plan to journey to Valley Forge again to attend a Valentine's Day dinner for the veterans.



SANTA BARRINGTON was one of the striking figures in the Christmas celebration. Tugged out in a complete safety outfit including helmet and gloves he wore a shield with code letters which gave the message—"Safety Means Working Here in Heavy Christmas and a Safe and Happy New Year."

## 36 — MACHINISTS

## By Dick Chaudhury

Now that the holiday season is over Farmer Bisher is again busily engaged on that new addition to his home. Full on Farmer — "Time's a-wastin'!" Incidentally, believing that a word to the wise is sufficient, we have advised several of the boys with similar shortcomings, explaining to others the number and quality of the Farmer's mistakes — drifting at length on the way, accountability to the camp.

Les Ellison has been taking a pretty good beating lately — the shop boys claim that Mrs. Ellison hit his back during the short time period in an economic recession and that Les, missing the spirit and to further the cause, removed all the bars each morning, thereby costing all such unnecessary expenses in radio, TV, etc. However he comes out of it with an unscathed back. While on the Ellison subject, the bar is really in the line now, for it was with the country and kind permission of Les that a deep, dark subject was recently brought to light, to wit — "The Thing." He is usually teased up with this routine — hey and ah. Anyone who is curious about the contents of the bar will have to examine it themselves as we failed in our efforts to obtain permission to make this revelation. There are those who claim that Bisher looks better with the beard anyhow!

Having made the headlines — Danny Carraway — is now quietly awaiting offers from Hollywood or TV sponsors.

Throughout this issue will be found a picture of apprentice Bill Shultz paraded as a Bahamian lord, the occasion being the Monarchs day parade. Close examination of the picture may reveal to the keen observer pretty good reasons for his own dilemma "Natal's Angel." Bill says he really enjoyed himself all day, but was out a brand new pair of shoes by being along Broad Street.

The center of attraction George Harrell's Terangi hairstyle!

Big Chief Rowland Rowanhill's thoughts are quite concerned over the possibility of his being his model as he hasn't had it very long, and besides it wouldn't fit a big fellow so well.

It has been brought to our attention that Tim Collins plans to give a beard for next Christmas, says he

didn't know it meant a free meal and a carton of cigarettes.

Oh (hep), Bill Bessie was the anticipation of the whole gang in 20 Shop when he presumably shook the hand of each one while giving out with the Season's Greetings.

Oh (hep), Woodard, who took a little beating last month about his text writing, claims that he finds it necessary to suffer more inconvenience himself for the common good of his voters. He says he had enough getting those marks at their houses without having a heated car hit them to splinter again before reaching the Yard.

Some of the boys in the shop have been making heads up as to the brand of cigarettes Jimmy Gallagher smokes like, and Whitty here claims that the coffee machine is a benefit.

Ralph has been displaying a new attitude, too, a huge one from a more show exhibit than by Earl Clark of second shift. When the bar is as good as the best in large, Ralph, incidentally Ralph's son Jimmy, who learned his trade here with us, has just been presented with a handsome baby boy, Ralph James, his first child, and we all join in sending our best wishes to all.

Benny Dykaha, outside "Tom Man," who also served his apprenticeship with us, has also been presented with a young son Richard Peter. This is Benny's second son and everything is fine with all concerned. Nice going Ben and all our good wishes!

Dick Chaudhury reports the arrival of his 10th grandchild from recently to his daughter Irene, who was recently employed in the Yale Mill, a 7 pound girl and all doing fine.

Visited Jack Rowland during the holidays along with Gerlin Knudt and we found him doing very well and in real good spirits. He sends his kindest personal regards to all his old friends at the yard and asks that anyone having the opportunity visit him at his home — 11 Main Street, Morton, Pa.

Sorry to learn that Wild Ed's Tom Rowell has been hospitalized and trust that he may be blessed with a speedy and complete recovery.

Harry Hamby has also been hospitalized and we hope that he too will be fully recovered as we go to press.

Lesie Karama, third shift, who was in the hospital last month for pneumonia, suffered a relapse and

was again admitted. We are hoping that his recovery will come by complete, and that he may again be returned to the field.

Dry Bob's Lefty Fields suffered a severely burned hand recently and has been weeks work, glad to see you back Lefty and hope your back will be better from here on.

There are those who mistakenly believe to an almost unbearable degree, and our heartfelt sympathy goes out to Les Shultz who recently lost both parents and was himself hospitalized when his mother was hospitalized. Les is now recovering at home and may possibly find it necessary to spend some more time in the hospital. While we are hoping for a speedy and complete recovery for him, we would wish the consolation of God's help in the difficult days ahead of him.



DAVID KENNEDY, University of St. Louis, has been awarded the Annual Prize, and left the picture on December 4. David had worked in the Machine Shop for a year and a half. He attended the ballroom and returned last Thanksgiving. He received only his picture as the top prize. Philadelphia, Penna.

I wish to thank the Sun Shipbuilding Co. and employees for the blood donations given to my wife. She is getting along fine and we both appreciate your generous help.

Yours respectfully,

NEW CHANCE, 55-45

## 67—FAB. 1950

By Bill Cooper

Things are really starting to pop now. Quite a lot of the old tanks have departed back and by the time this is read we will no doubt have a larger number in the yard.

Al Brown said he knew that the girls in the Main Office missed him so much that he just had to come back.

Bill Plaster is back in the driver's seat, but still has trouble sitting in it. Bill was all set to move in a nearby town until certain folks said they didn't want certain parties there. Well, that meant Willie up and he said, "I might be off, but I am not out," and so he will still remain at the Bureau of Naval Armaments.

Tracy has officially admitted the loss of her most baby since we have started on the Seatrains.

By meeting Henry (Babe) in old meeting.

JES, is going to check some more of the Florida conditions, and to get a preview of the latest in building suits. "Play Day" is finally over.

## 66 DEPARTMENT

By Bob Stafford

Well folks we intend to have in our next month's issue of OUR YARD several pictures of some fine tanks that are the property of George Corp, well known manufacturers, and Pan Ship articles of New, New Jersey.

Since the boat of Hull 302 has been laid there in a squabble by Buddy McGhee's crew and he is doing more lillibilly items, even Norman Elroy has changed, he's doing more talking. Pete Popl says that Norman is altogether different when he is home.

Howard Brown had the "How" for other day telling the boys where you get the best meals and where you do not mention your name, Ananda, Joe Page said that Gable can make up more conspiracies to eat than Betty Crocker, Lyle Brown, popular shopman, says that Gus Kilday's wife makes the best piece pie.

Tom Poppl, Henry Conditman and Fred Greenman are still on the sick list but latest reports are that they are showing a marked improvement.

Fred Howard, well-known resident of Litchfield, finally got the bump out of his leg.

## Lay Keel for "SEATRAN LOUISIANA"; Outlook for Yard is Bright

**B**IG jobs are ahead at Pan Ship. That means more jobs and more prosperity.

Laying the keel for the first Seatrains the "S.S. Seatrain Louisiana" took place Monday, January 22, and the keel for the second of these large ships the "S.S. Seatrain Georgia" will be laid later. Supplies of steel for the construction of the two Seatrains are now flowing into the shipyard and workers are being called back in several departments.

In addition to these vessels, which are being built for Seatrain Lines, Inc., of New York City, there is a building of containers at the plant that Pan Ship will play an important part in building ships for National Defense.

Pan Ship also is participating in the building of five fast freighters in America's National Defense plan. President Richard L. Boker recently announced that the Company is holding on a number of them recently designed vessels. This will be agreed January 21 by the Maritime Administration.

While a large fleet of fast freighters are to be constructed for National Defense, it is reasonably sure that Pan Ship will be awarded contracts for five.

Congressional leaders of both parties already have approved the Navy program of \$1,000,000,000 for shipbuilding and ship conversion. This program includes the new 27,000-ton super aircraft carrier, 12

large type tankers and other vessels; a total of 173 new ships and 204 others for conversion.

Pan Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company has become world famous as a tanker shipyard. It designed the famous 112 tankers which rendered great service during World War II.

Pan Ship turned out more tankers than any other plant in the World and became the largest single shipyard. At the height of production it employed 25,000 persons.

Pan Ship expects to bid on tankers to be built for the Government and shipping industries say the shipyard's capacity for building oil tanker ships rapidly will be a factor in awarding contracts.

With work underway on the Seatrains and a busy outlook for the future, former Pan Ship employees are looking forward to a speedy return to the plant now that plenty of work for a long time is in view.

Laying of the keel of the *S. S. Seatrain Louisiana* on Monday, January 22, was marked by the presence of a group of Seatrain Inc. officials and Pan Ship executives. Pictures of the event will appear in the March issue of OUR YARD.

### WETHERILL PLANT

By Wally

Jack McKinney, Timothy Brennan, is on our sick list. Jack is doing very well at home. Jack is one of our old timers, he may be down but not for long.

Ed Wicks is also on our sick list and is holding his own. Ed can take it so well in there Ed—we are all with you.

We welcome back to Wetherill Plant A. Robinson, G. Gable. It won't be long before the whole gang is back again.

### ANSWERS TO WHO'S WHO?

Clark Foreward—1 and 10

Milton Druman—2 and 11

Helve Scott—3 and 8

Fry Kendall—4 and 12

Peggy Jones—5 and 7

Dorothy Casley—6 and 9



**REUNION CAKE** is prepared by James Conroy of the Inshore Dept., while assisting others from the Safety Office and Storehouse departments. Mr. Frank Andrews, who handled the table, states that the long duration being an "Old Time Party."

## 75 DEPARTMENT

By Joe McKeide

Crane Operator "Miss" Herby, a son of the Old Dock is now "vacationing" in the North Yard. Hope it's not too cold up there. Miss.

"Bud" Waldman is making his mark in the New should see the "Little Fox" go to town with the steel awards.

We hope to see Joe Down on the improved hot steam. Joe has been on the sick list for some time and we miss seeing him around. Give us, Joe!

"Gassy Jones" Felix recently moved from Holmes, Pa., to Edgewater. Hope you like your new abode. "Pepper."

Seems crazy, but it's true! It really feels good to be behind bars once again. That is if the bars are to be used in the building of ships.

Ho Ho! Income tax time is here again!



**MISS SNOW**, in days, commonly called "the girl's angel" attending a Christmas party in the Messroom. Parents of Philadelphia are Mrs. Tom's Day.

## INK SPOTS FROM THE HULL DRAWING ROOM

By C. J. Conrad

Bob Hoffman and Earl Pevoy paid the Hull Drawing Room a visit over the holidays. Bob is now employed by Du Pont at Wilmington, Delaware, and Earl is located with Newport News Shipyard, Virginia. Earl was telling us that Walter McNeil, formerly of Hull Fittings is also with Newport News.

Cards were received from A. E. Cook, Paul DeBianco (better known as the "Old Doc"), John B. Wallace and Al Williams.

Bruce Mason, of Hull Structural, is recuperating at home and is expected back to work in about two weeks as of this writing.

We welcome back Al Engman of Hull Fittings, who was out for some time, due to an operation.

## THEY SUPPLIED SUN SHIP'S CHRISTMAS MUSIC



**CARRIERS** — John Stevenson, Shirley Freen, Lillian Gagner, Peggy McKinley, Anna May Salgar, Hilda Powers, Jeanne Walker, Edie Hall, Peggy Jones, Wile Bradford and George Torres, at piano.

**TRUMPETERS** — Ralph Wilson, Paul Hockett and Gary Freeman.

**HALL SOLOIST** — Capt. William Smith.

**SOPRANO** — Miss Peggy McKinley.

## STATIONER'S NOTES

By Joe Wright

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Harner celebrated their silver wedding anniversary on December 26, and were heartily congratulated by the boys in 20 Dept. Charley has been with Sea Ship for 15 years.

Engagement has been announced of Miss Miss Corbett, of Fennell Dept., and Charles Harner, IV, of 20 Dept.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Dancy recently celebrated their 15th wedding anniversary.

Arthur Holman is still on the sick list and his friends trust he will soon return to work.

With the end of the hunting season many of the boys are looking forward to early spring fishing.

## Rod and Gun

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What they know, but why to be in, he makes one error, he follows familiar ways and paths.

Foxes live within a restricted range, seldom straying beyond a radius of some three miles from the den. In their ranges and paths within this range, they follow age-old runs, that are handed down from generation to generation. To find him, you should study and know these runs.

Our big weakness of the fox is his curiosity. At the slightest sound he will stop to investigate. He is a sucker for a mouse squeak. I've watched an old hunter friend of mine squeak up a fox by placing the back of his hand to his lips and making out a loud squeak. Immediately the fox leaped up, head cocked to one side and began trotting towards us. He came within thirty yards, staring at us quizzically before we shot him.

Despite the fact that there are many successful fox trappers and hunters throughout the country, there are at ways run or three old master minded foxes in each locality, that somehow never get caught in any traps, or killed ahead of traps. They live on year after year challenging the wisest efforts. Now I suppose is the truly smart fox.

I have observed the fox in many of his amazing performances. In fact he comes to me often, and I conclude, that when asked, "Just how smart is a fox?" the only reply I can give is, "The Lord only knows. He created them."

## Mutual Benefit Association Report

The following is a statement of the Receipts and Disbursements of the Sea Ship Mutual Benefit Association for the months of October, November and December 1958.

Receipts as of September 30, 1958 .....		\$24,891.52
Balance on Hand September 30, 1958 .....		32,628.88
<b>RECEIPTS:</b>		
Dues received from Members—		
October .....	726.21	
November .....	827.24	
December .....	838.30	
		2,391.75
Equal Amount from Companies—		
October .....	726.21	
November .....	827.24	
December .....	838.30	
		2,391.75
Cash Withdrawn from Investments:		
Interest on Balance Bonds .....	855.00	
Dividends on U. S. Gov. Bonds .....	1,522.00	
Dividends on U. S. Steel Stock .....	21.26	
Dividends on Fed. Co. Nat'l Bk. Stock .....	3,000.00	
		5,408.26
		<u>10,191.76</u>
<b>DISBURSEMENTS:</b>		
Net Benefits Paid—		
October .....	2,271.20	
November .....	2,527.21	
December .....	4,885.24	
		9,683.65
Miscellaneous Expenses—		
October .....	55.44	
November .....	4.77	
December .....	65.11	
		127.32
		<u>9,810.97</u>
Balance on Hand—December 31, 1958 .....		34,709.52
Receipts as of December 31, 1958 .....		\$24,891.52

FOR OVER SEVENTY years in this group are L. Horton, 76 Dept., J. Carr, 19 Dept., George West, 19 Dept., and a host of, in Dept., were now employed elsewhere they are looking forward to a big fishing season in 1959.



## 74 DEPARTMENT NEWS

By M. Zumbler

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cowan enjoyed Christmas at the home of their daughter Mrs. Lawrence Kamin.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Finkhough celebrated their parents on Christmas day.

Harry Reed spent a quiet Christmas at home with his family.

Charlie Lukens expects to be the proud recipient of a prolonged hospital stay, a gift from Mrs. Lukens. To her Charlie tells, this reporter is of the opinion that Mrs. Lukens is the apple of Charlie's eye from now on in.

Alie and Mrs. Adelman spent a very quiet Christmas at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Lowry spent Christmas at the home of their daughter in Hallow, Pa., where Peggy spent the day cooking the grandchildren on the fire.

When this reporter questioned Mike Cooney as to Christmas, Mike immediately drove over his handkerchief and began wiping away his tears, giving an interesting story about Prospect Park and something or other, and the loss of a twenty dollar bill.

Jack Shivy spent a quiet Christmas visiting local friends.

Wally Shoval entertained his children and grandchildren on Christmas day.

This reporter spent Christmas day visiting several of his adopted friends. A good time was had by all.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Krasinski spent a quiet Christmas at home.

(Old Man) Munday also was a favorite star during the holiday season.

## MOLD LEFT NEWS

By Jack McGrawden

Tommy Emzell and Tony Jones are still on the sick list. We hope they are on their way to recovery and will be with us soon.

A. Perovic had his car smashed up during the last ice period we had.

Mildred Temple, daughter of John Temple, of the Lark, was married to George Wimmer of Conshohocken, Pa., on Saturday, January 13. Best of luck to them.

Intention is here to stay. After about two years of thinking about it, John Cleary finally backs down and bought a television set.

The Lark really looks good now with the fellows as busy as bees. We hope we will have work to last us for a long time to come.



**INTERESTING INCIDENTS** - **EMERY**, Jean Marie Marie, who is the sister of Beverly Emery of the State Office, recently joined the U. S. Penitentiary Hospital Unit at Fort Ward, Texas, for assignment to the first three-month tour selected in the drug store class in September of 1947 and completed her term today at Fort Worth, Texas. She was then assigned to **Miss General** this post in Memphis where she remained the two years and was sent to the State Hospital at Long Beach, Oregon, in December this year to start tonight or tomorrow morning for her duty station.

## LETTER OF THANKS FOR BLOOD

Mr. JOHN C. PERK, JR.

Dear Sir:

I just feel that I must thank someone (and I feel it should be you, for being so kind and generous to send blood to Taylor Hospital for my husband, Henry Condracow. It was indeed very kind and we are appreciative of it, as it did him lots of good and it was a wonderful help to us.

Mr. Condracow seems to be gaining strength every now. We both want to thank you a million times over for what you have done for us. Nothing you do has success in all you undertake.

Yours very truly,

Mrs. BESS CONDRACOW  
214 Kane Avenue  
Willey Park, Pa.



**ETHEL WILSON**, age 14, is the sister of Helen Smith, Conshohocken, Pa.

## Obituary

Mr. Hugh Hilding and My Ruth Compton parents, in sympathy to the families of the following employees who died during the month of December.

**WOLFE EDWARDS**, born 1774 St. Pat. Street, Conshohocken, Pa. died December 14, 1948.

**JOSEPH ECKHART**, 201 St. Peter's Ave., Prospect Park, Conshohocken, Pa. died December 17, 1948.



Sympathy is extended to the family of **WILLIAM FIRTH CLARK**, who died on December 16, 1948. He worked with the family at 1427 N. Conshohocken St., Conshohocken, Pa., Pennsylvania.

**EDITH** - please send wedding ring found to post. Call or direct Conshohocken.

**WOLFE** - make office address at 201 St. Peter's Ave. Conshohocken, Pa. at the former Conshohocken.





**MUD —**  
*thousands*  
*of tons —*  
**USED IN**  
**SOUTH**  
**YARD**

More than 2000 tons of thick red mud has been used as filling material in the South Yard. It is replacing piles of all the shrapnel in South Yard that is too porous for piles and prevents rapid settling of steel girders. The mud was dredged in North Yard and sent to South Yard by truck. Upper picture shows the mud being dumped. Middle picture is the high mound of muck covered from the wind. In lower view mud takes form of "hot water" in bucket on track.



# NO FATALITIES AT SUN SHIP DURING 1950

**S**UN SHIPS' accident record for the year 1950 was much better than the average for the shipbuilding industry, as a whole. There were no fatalities in any plant last year, the first time in 18 years that such a fine standing was made.

The departments working over 47,000 manhours or over 30 per cent of the total number of hours, did not have a single lost-time accident. These particular ones: Paints, Plans, Steel and Railroad employees, Tool General employees,

Fittermasonry, Tool room employees, 84 Machine, 84 Maintenance, Drifters and Runners, Lines & Tackles and Riggingmen. The first four departments are reporters from last year.

There were 35 major injuries in the other departments, including six permanent impairments. Four of these impairments involved the loss or partial loss of a finger, one disfigured into the loss of one of one eye and the other was loss of one of a thumb. These six men lost 150

working days. The other 29 lost-time cases resulted in the loss of 1,117 working days.

The index in which the departments figured is shown in the following table; Table I is based on the number of cases in proportion to the manhours worked. Table II deals with the actual working days lost because of these accidents. Table III covers the minor injuries—scratches, lacerations, etc.—which were treated at the dispensary and the men returned to work.

## ALL OF THE DEPARTMENTS LISTED ABOVE THE COMPANY AVERAGES ARE TO BE HEARTILY CONGRATULATED AS THEIR EFFORTS MADE THE FINE COMPANY RECORD POSSIBLE.

NUMBER OF MAJOR INJURIES		ACTUAL WORKING DAYS LOST		MINOR INJURIES ONLY		
DEPT.	MANHOURS	CASES	DEPT. DAYS	DEPARTMENT	CASES	
69	39,731	NONE	69	NONE	1	5
71	66,638	NONE	71	NONE	15	80
81	60,193	NONE	81	NONE	12	7
1	25,472	NONE	1	NONE	14	15
74	75,333	NONE	74	NONE	11	50
24	66,291	NONE	24	NONE	4	14
148B	32,968	NONE	148B	NONE	10	67
11	26,790	NONE	11	NONE	10	25
86	13,326	NONE	86	NONE	75	16
308	6,771	NONE	308	NONE	105	11
67	224,000	1	67	1	67	17
80	164,117	1	87	12	69	28
33	388,925	2	33	33	67	75
805	86,800	1	140*	58	63	23
17	233,040	3	1*	14		
			1	56		
COMPANY AVERAGE		COMPANY AVERAGE		COMPANY AVERAGE		
1	63,042	1		67	91	
45	68,808	1	36*	187	175	
59	145,747	0	66	64	36	130
64	56,896	1	47	92	11	13
107*	222,082	2	60	26	62	69
				66	66	
108	36,796	1	30*	77	101	8
16	123,447	0	45	39	107*	196
65	54,169	1	108**	68	130	39
66	102,000	2	55	47	108	1
67	270,566	3	42	61	43	66
68	150,923	0	50*	273	46	69
109	162,033	0	68	114	30*	62
11	67,587	0	58*	64	60	61
62	62,745	0	67*	56	108	123
108	12,113	1	58*	45	51	91

These standings are based on number of hours worked in order that each department may be compared with all others. Two lost-time cases

are not included: one in 98 Department employees who lost 32 days and the other in 93 Dept.—a contractor—who lost 31 days.

\* Departments marked with asterisk show where permanent impairments occurred.

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