

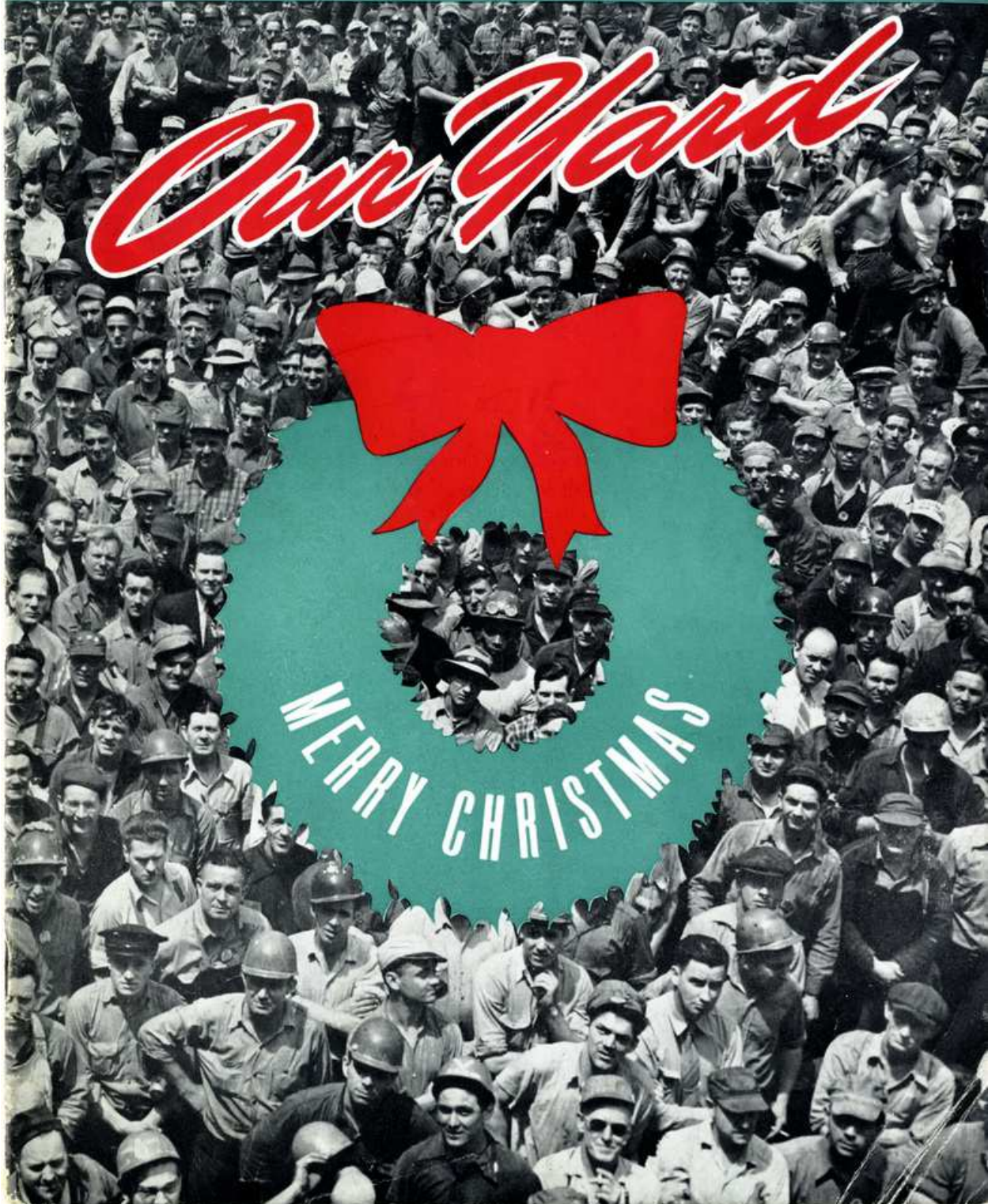
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# *Our Glad*



MERRY CHRISTMAS



# Glory to God in the Highest, and on Earth Peace, Good Will Toward Men



*And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed. And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city.*



*And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judaea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, to be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child. And so it was, that while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.*

*And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them; and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them, Fear not; for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day, in the city of David, a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you: Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.*



*And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God, and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.*

*And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us. And they came with haste and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger. And when they had seen it they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child. And all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds.*



*But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart. And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told unto them.*

Luke 2:1-20.



## **SUN SHIP SUPERVISION**

OUR YARD, this month, salutes William Gilmour, Foreman of the Machine shop, Third shift, Wetherill plant.

Mr. Gilmour was born in Dunfermline, Scotland, where he served his machinist apprenticeship with Nicholson Steam Tug and Salvage Company and Caldwell Paper Mills Company. He came to America in July, 1923.

Previous to coming to Sun Ship, he was employed at Cramp Shipbuilding Company, Philadelphia, and Baldt Anchor Works, Chester. He has been with Sun Ship now for eighteen years.

"Bill", as he is known, is married and resides in Chester. His hobbies are books, swimming and sports—principally, soccer.

Our very best wishes to William Gilmour.



**WILLIAM GILMOUR**

*Foreman of Machine Shop, Third Shift,  
Wetherill Plant  
Sun Shipbuilding & Dry Dock Company*



**WETHERILL PLANT ASSISTANT FOREMEN AND LEADER**—Left to right: Clarence F. Fillman, Harold Backhouse and Harl Burt. Clarence F. Fillman, who is the leader on the Third shift in the Wetherill Toolroom, was born at Jersey Shore, Pa. He served his apprenticeship at the American Balance Valve Co., Jersey Shore, Pa., and worked for a time at the New York Central Railroad Shop as a toolmaker and the Baldwin Locomotive Works, Eddystone, Pa. Mr. Fillman is married and has one son who is employed in the North Yard Machine shop.

Harold Backhouse is the assistant foreman on the Third shift. Mr. Backhouse assists supervision, machine operations and bench assembly on the second floor of the Machine shop. He has been with Sun Ship for 14 years and resides in Chester.

Harl Burt, also an assistant foreman on the Third shift, assists in supervision, machine operations, floor and bench assembly, and testing. Mr. Burt, who has been with Sun Ship for 13 years, resides in Garden City with his two sons and two daughters.



# Merry Christmas to Our People in the Service!



## Killed in Action



**T/SGT. ARTHUR J. KERNS**, formerly of 91 dept., was killed in France on October 8. He had been overseas since last June and was a member of General Patton's Third Army. "Artie" was a well-known former football star of St. Robert's High School and Archmere Academy and also of St. Norbert's College at De Pere, Wisconsin.



**JOSEPH COMINSKY**, formerly a hooker-on in the Tube mill, Central Yard, on the second shift, was killed in action in Italy. Joseph worked for Sun Ship for six months before entering the armed forces.



**Pfc. RALPH W. LINAWEAVER**, son of Captain of the Guards Linaweaver of the North Yard, has been killed in action. Ralph was formerly employed in 84 dept., S. Y. He was in the 23rd Marines, 4th Division, and received his wounds on Saipan Island, June 15th.



**PVT. GEORGE C. SWYERS, Jr.**, son of Captain and Mrs. George Swyers, Sr., was killed in Germany on October 3. Captain Swyers said he understood George, Jr., was with General Hodge's First Army and met his death in the vicinity of Aachen, Germany. He had landed in Normandy on June 10, four days after "D" Day. He was formerly an apprentice machinist at the Wetherill plant.

Hello Cressy:

Well it's been quite a while since I wrote you but have been thinking of you and all the gang quite often.

I guess you have wondered what had happened to me. Well I am still here in the States but sorry to say I am in the hospital here in California.

You remember the operation I had on my shoulder and they put a silver wire in it. Well the wire is broken and I guess they are going to operate on me and take it out. I don't know for sure just what they are going to do. I have been here two weeks.

I am in an Amphibian Tank Outfit and it is plenty rough and ready.

I came out here in July and I like it better than Florida. My shoulder has caused me to miss two outfits that went over. My first outfit had it hard—they were all killed in the battle of Saipan. You probably read about it in the papers, last June. I talked to some boys that got back from there and they said the Japs killed my outfit like fish in a barrel. My last outfit left last week. I honestly hated to be left behind—I know it's no party over there but I would like to get my share of those Japs. After going through all this training and then breaking the wire sure makes me hot.

I did do one thing and that was go to school for several months. I made out fine and got a diploma just as good as any college could give. It cost Uncle Sam \$3,000 to send each Marine through. I had a grade of 85% and I really did learn a lot about all kinds of engines.

**Pfc. George Boot, U.S.M.C.R.**



**LOUIS GLAVAN**, (without hat) former Sun Ship welder from S. Y. is shown with his buddies "Somewhere in France" with a Nazi flag they had just captured. Glavan's brother, Richard, works in 36 dept., North Yard.



**GETTING A GOOD SCOOP**—Marine Sgt. Raymond J. Dawson caught in the act of dipping himself a hunk of ice cream. Course, being a working member of the ice-cream plant, he has a legitimate right to taste his product to make sure it has the right flavor. The 21 year old Leatherneck worked here before enlisting and is now attached to an aviation group with the Fourth Marine Air Wing.



**EDW. J. LAMBERSON**, who served his machinist apprenticeship in the Wetherill plant, is now in the Marines.



**ROBERT L. LAMBERSON**, formerly an installation machinist helper, 36 dept. and now in the Navy V-12 program.





**PEGGY CROWTHER**, formerly of 91 dept. Addressograph, and now with the WAVES. Peggy worked for Sun Ship for nearly two years.



**JOS. WHITTINGTON, JR.**, S 2/c, 45 dept., and now serving in the U. S. Navy.



**Pvt. PATRICK J. McHALE**, 59 dept., C. Y. He is now stationed at Fort Bliss, Texas.



**LAWRENCE CRESSY**, F 2/c, 30 dept., Sheet Metal, is now on a repair ship in the Southwest Pacific. He is the son of A. B. Cressy, Ass't. Safety Engineer.



**Pfc. JAMES MILLER**, 33 dept., participated in the invasion of France on D-Day. He was awarded the Bronze Star for meritorious service.



**BENJAMIN KRYNSKI**, S 2/c, formerly worked in 55 dept., and is now serving in the U. S. Navy.

Dear Sir:

I was an employee in the No. 4 Yard for 22 months as a boiler-maker and I enjoyed working for you. Mr. Pew, I would like you to continue sending me the monthly issue of OUR YARD. I like to keep up with the news and also hear from my fellow workers in the Boiler shop as I know they are still on the top. I don't think there is any better foreman than Mr. Joseph Messner and Mr. George as an assistant foreman and the two best leaders in 30 dept. are Ray Walker and Thornton Walker. I would certainly like to be back working with the old gang again but with the war on the quicker we win it the quicker I will be back in the Yard pitching to build more tankers, ships and cargo vessels. I am sending you one of my best pictures so that you can have it published in the next month's issue. Remember me to all No. 4 Yard.



**JOSEPH BRYANT**, 30 dept, in No. 4 Yard, and now serving in the U.S. Army.

Joseph J. Bryant



**Pfc. F. C. SMITH**, 34 dept., now in the U. S. Army.

**A. DE FERDIANDO JR.**, formerly of 59 dept., and now in the U. S. Army.

**Li. M. VAUGHAN**, 46 dept., now in the No. 4 Yard, now at Ft. Huachuca, Ariz.

**AL FLACCO**, 46 dept., now in the U. S. Navy.

Dear Sir:

I am dropping you these few lines to thank you for sending me the issues of OUR YARD for the past six months. I am sorry that I didn't write sooner, but I have been busy with my work. I also want to inform you, that since I received your issue of Sept., I have moved to a new base. I would certainly appreciate it a whole lot, if you would send your future issues to my new address. I am doing the same kind of work I did for Sun Ship, in the nine months I have been overseas. I have seen some of the Sun Ship tankers, and they are doing a swell job in defeating the Axis. I want to take this time to say "Hello" to the employees I worked with in Mr. Yeager's shop in the Central Yard.

In closing let me wish you the very best of luck and keep up the good work you have been doing.

Albert E. Jermansky, S 1/c



**Pfc. WM. J. CAREW**, former worker in Sun Ship, now serving in the U. S. Army.



**Pvt. AMOS B. SWELL**, formerly of 67 dept., No. 4 Yard, now serving in the U. S. Army.



**ROBERT ROBINSON**, formerly of 59 dept., and now in the U. S. Navy.

**DETWILER TRIO JOINS UP**



**GEORGE DETWILER**, Y 2/c, 45 dept., and now serving in the U. S. Navy.



**Pvt. JOHN DETWILER**, formerly of 59 dept., and now in the U. S. Army.



**JAMES C. DETWILER**, S 2/c, 59 dept., and now serving in the U. S. Navy.

Dear Sir:

Writing a few lines to let you know that I have been getting OUR YARD every month and it makes me very happy when I get it. I am still stationed at the same place and doing the same thing. I sure do see a lot of different ships coming and going and I am sure that some of the cargo ships are built at Sun Ship.

There is a fellow stationed with me that worked at Kaiser Ship Yard and he and I always argue on who builds the best cargo ships. I say and still think it's Sun Ship.

Keep the books coming I really enjoy them. Thanking you, I remain,

Pfc. Joseph Agnes



**Pfc. JOSEPH REILLY**, formerly 45 dept., Shipfitters, North Yard, now serving in the U. S. Marine Corps.

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**SGT. THOMAS E. KENNEDY JR.**, former inspector at Sun Ship, is serving as an aircraft mechanic in a 15th AAF B-24 Liberator heavy bomber group in Italy.

He is a member of a group that was recently awarded the Distinguished Unit Citation for a highly successful bombing of the railyards at Bucharest, Rumania during which 40 enemy planes were shot down. His outfit has also rung up more than 125 missions against Axis installations throughout Europe.



Dear Sir:

I have seen your letter to my father concerning my health. I think it right that I thank you for your concern. It is thoughtful and I hope demonstrative of feeling of the employer for his employees throughout our nation. Here is shown the faith and friendship that should be between them not for the sake of diplomacy but what is more worth-while than a friend? Your Yard has been a great success in war and peace and the people of Chester have shared this success. I know it has always been a real pleasure to work for the Sun Ship and I am certain I am not alone in saying this. I am very much improved and in fine spirits. Again I thank you for all the kindnesses. With God's blessing all things are right.

Joseph News



**SAM L. BRENT**, SF 3/c, formerly of 58 department, and now with the Seabees, with his daughter.



**SAMUEL BERNHARD**, F 2/c, formerly of 33 dept., and now serving in the U. S. Navy.

Dear Sir:

While over in an entirely strange country, (England to be exact), I thought I'd write another letter to the ones I remember. My previous letters have brought me a batch of letters from pen pals all over Pennsylvania, and in each letter I find that it was due to the fact that they read my letter in OUR YARD. I sincerely hope that this letter too will bring more of the letters from home that I am so anxious to receive. Lately I have been doing my bit in the invasion of France and hope to do even more before I return to the U.S.A.

Thomas Moore

Dear Sir:

Received a copy of OUR YARD and was eager to read about the men and the ships at Sun Ship. I was transferred from my post in California to the present site here in Florida. I am now attached to a "Port Engineer Construction Group". The work in this outfit is very interesting in as much as a great deal of large equipment, tools, and machines are used. Most of the equipment and machines are somewhat identical with the ones at the Ship Yard. Thanks again for the OUR YARD, I really appreciate getting it.

Theodore Anderson



**HERB LAMBERT** (standing), formerly in 59 dept., is shown with his brother, **DONALD**. Both are serving in the U. S. Army.

To OUR YARD:

Hello, everyone. I have been receiving OUR YARD and it makes me feel good when I start reading it from the first page to the very last word. When I went into the service, my wife received my bonus a few weeks later. That was very good of the Sun Ship Yard. When the war is over I hope to return to work at the Yard. Give my very best regards to the Sheet Metal outfit.

Joseph J. Volpe



**Pfc. DICK COOPER**, who was a worker in the North Yard and now in the Army, was wounded in France.

**A/C GEORGE SEA-SHOCK**, who was a worker in 59 department before he joined the U. S. Army.

Dear Sir:

I am home on a leave after a trip to Trinidad and different points of the South Seas and Isles. I am assigned to the U.S.S. Savannah and think the Navy is swell. I am hoping for a speedy victory so we may return to Sun Ship again. I often meet some of the boys from Sun Ship while in port and it feels good to have a chat about Sun Ship Yard. Hope to be remembered to the boys left to do the work.

Charles M. Kueger, S 2/c

SUN SHIP ROUX QUARTET ANSWERS CALL TO ARMS



Responding to the Army bugle were **SGT. ALEXANDER, Jr.**, and **Pfc. ALBERT R.**, 47 dept. Alexander has recently returned from overseas while Albert is stationed at Camp Barkley, Texas. Heeding the call to the sea were **ARTHUR**, S 1/c, 36 dept., and **ALFRED**, S 1/c, formerly of 33 dept. Arthur is now stationed at San Diego, California.



**Pvt. G. HOWAT**, 47 dept., Mold Loft, now in the Army. Pvt. Howat took part in the invasion on D-Day.

**Cpl. DAN LIBERTO**, formerly of 47 dept., Plate shop, now serving in the U. S. Army Chemical Depot in England.





**GEORGE SHUSTER, S 1/c,** 59 dept., and now serving in the U. S. Navy.



**Pvt. E. RICHARDSON,** formerly of the Sheet-metal dept., and now stationed in Florida.



**W. CHIPMAN,** formerly of 65 department, and now serving in the U. S. Navy.



**MICHAEL DUGAN and JOSEPH MITCHELL,** formerly of 59 department, Central Yard, and now at Fort McClellan, Alabama.



**A/C ROBERT GLAZIER,** formerly employed in 33 dept., N.Y., and now serving in the U.S. Army.



**Pvt. EDDIE SAKOULASKUS,** formerly 36 dept., and now serving in the U. S. Army.

Dear Editor:

As a former worker let me send this notice to some of the old crowd.

Thought sure Lew Hazlett would have girls running errands for him by now. Glad Capt. Bryson is still helping to break records.

Nick Cappa, 51 dept., looks the same. Gosh how I'd like to hear Tommy's Band play again. I see all the cafeteria gang are still smiling.

Congratulations, Editor on getting Schoff to give you the pictures of his sons, well do I remember them. My thanks go to the men and women of Sun Ship for their wonderful work. Before being on the wrong end I had refused from a few Sun built tankers and it was a thrill to meet them in the far apart sections of the Globe.

**Jim Collins, Capt. A.T.S.**

Dear Mr. Pew:

Just to let you know that I am in the best of health and haven't forgotten about you or the Company which I was so proud to work for. Some day when I come back, whenever that day will be, I would like to work for you again.

I guess most of the boys of my gang are in the Army now but if not, I would like to say "hello" to them. I was in Dan Miller's gang of the 59 department. My brothers, also in the service want to say "hello" to the boys, as they also worked for your Company.

I was in the invasion of the islands of Anguar and Pelelui of the Palau group. That will be a battle that I will never forget, as it was rough and tough all the way. I do not need to express myself any further, because the newspaper has the complete invasion very well written.

During the time that I left the States my brother, Henry, also came out here. So far we haven't seen each other, but we hope to in the near future. I thought maybe you would like to know, because I am the only one out here from Chester.

In the past few months I haven't received **OUR YARD**, so would you please send me a copy?

**William Sydlowski**



**SURPRISING THEIR FATHER.** Max Margulis, Assistant Foreman in 30-S dept., with an unexpected visit, are: Sidney (left), a radioman who took part in the Invasion of the Cherbourg Peninsula on D-Day and also in the Invasion of Southern France, was formerly in 30-S dept. Norman, a 1st Lieutenant, at present is an instructor in the Infantry in Texas. He was formerly employer in 74 dept., Central Yard.

Hello Mr. Lamberson:

I haven't had a chance to do much writing but have been thinking about you and the Yard. Sun Ship and home were never like this. Have been sleeping in a pup tent in the mud and cold and rain. It rains some part of each day and night and I haven't been completely dry but one day since being here in France. Have finally gotten some decent food after living off rations for what seemed an eternity. I had hoped to come over in one of our ships but came over in a British ship instead. The people in England are not nearly as optimistic about the war as our newspapers make us feel. Take all that prediction stuff with a grain of salt. If anyone at the Yard thinks they are having a tough time, I'll gladly change places and pay him part of his pay to boot.

**F. M. Douglass**



**Pfc. WM. DAGENHART**

**Read the strange tale of a Sun Ship employee** who in the brief span of 18 months had these things happen to him:

Worked in North Yard machine shop—entered military service—trained as tail gunner on bomber—fought in skies above Burma—crashed in jungle—for three months was a living "dead" man—woke up in Florida—finally returned to Sun Ship to pick up his old life again.

Pfc. William H. (Bill) Dagenhart's existence was a mental blank for three months—in the service the doctors call it a "blackout".

"We were over Jap positions in Burma early in March of this year," he said, "and we were bent on big business. Enemy anti-aircraft action

was hot and there was flak all around us. Our craft was hit. In such a crash there is no sensation of falling. The ground zooms upward to hit you. That's all I remember.

"June 1, three months later, I found myself in a dark room floating in a hammock which was immersed in a chemical solution. I was up to my neck in the fluid. They told me that I was in the Clark Gable General Hospital in Florida. It's a queer feeling to go to sleep in the Far East and wake up back home and to have three months of your life blacked out."

Dagenhart, who lives at 2503 Edgmont Ave., pays tribute to the skill of U. S. Army medical men. During the long weeks he was unconscious, he was fed through his arteries. Today he is working in Central Yard Machine shop—practically in normal health; a bit thinner than before but his nerves are stronger. He is only 20 years old but he has lived more in a year and a half than the average man has in a score of years. He has a message to Sun Ship workers:

"More and more service men will be coming back to the Yard. Many of them suffering from wounds, disease, shock. They don't ask sympathy. Treat them as just plain men. Please don't laugh at any peculiarities. Remember it will be difficult for all of them, no matter how healthy, to take up the jobs where they left off. There is so much we must forget. Many of our companions have been killed; many more crippled. There is one thing we appreciate the most. We are 'back home'."



# 55 DEPARTMENT

You might say that 55 department, in reality, has six distinct specialized crafts in itself. All are managed and controlled by one department head throughout all Yards. Namely, they are: piece-work, chipping and caulking, chipping and grinding, tank searching, tank testing, riveting and packing.

In the case of chipping and caulking, it takes considerable training to mould a group of men into a working force whereby each one of them is a specialist. His duties are many. (1) All butts must have a 30° bevel chipped on them before the welding operation can be started. (2) During the welding operation, the chipper is very essential, since every pass or lap the welder puts in the butt has to be peened or roughed to remove all possible stress, which is continually being built up in the butt due to the intense heat of the welding. (3) After the butt is welded on the face side, the chipper then gouges the back-up side to good metal removing all slag, gas holes, etc., so the welder can back-up the butt with the final pass. (4) In welded constructed ships, there are many thousands of small cuts or weld spots that are due to temporary lining dogs, pipe hangers, etc., which have been welded on during the erection and lining periods of construction. These all have to be chipped flush throughout all decks, shell, quarters, engine room, boiler room, fore-peak, after-peak. (5) All sharp edges must be chamfered; all burned edges must be chipped. All rough castings must be chipped smooth and straight where shell platings are to be welded. This also applies to the finished weld roughing of the outside manual seams on the shell. The above work has to do with welded constructed ships. (6) In riveted constructed ships, the procedure is different. They must caulk and make water tight all riveted seams, all rivets through bounding bars, and brackets. Also the bounding bars themselves must be caulked and made up heel and toe. This type of work now comes mostly through the dry dock on repair work — as the trend on all new ships is welded construction.

The chipping and grinding gangs have a big job of their own. All welded undercuts must be chipped, roughed and ground throughout the complete shell and quarters, and all small nicks and indentations are welded and made flush.

The tank searching gangs have to be specialists in several crafts, as it is their job to check every inch of the tanks for welding that has been missed, bad welding and cracks. This means they have to know when a job is welded right, and has the proper amount of beads on each particular piece of framing or shell butts. They also have to know a great deal about shipfitting, for it is their job also, to see that all brackets are in their respective places, also all fair-up jobs, pipe fitting, etc. They have all temporary clips and brackets burned off and cleaned out. They have as many as thirty or forty welders and burners working with each gang on all three shifts to get these tanks ready for water.

After all the work has been completed to their own satisfaction, they have the tank cleaned of all dirt and scrap material. It is now ready for inspection by the American Bureau and the Owners' inspectors. These sharp-eyed gentlemen go over every inch of the tank with the leader of the searching crew, and have the final say as to whether all work has been completed in a satisfactory workmanlike manner.

If the tank fails to pass the inspectors, then all defective work will be taken out and renewed as per the inspectors' recommendations before the tank can be turned over for water. These gangs are pressed for time also, because all work by previous crafts must be completed before they can start.

The tank is now ready to be filled with water and made



JOHN KREBB stopping a leak on thru-bracket on transverse bulkhead.





JOE BONKOWSKI preparing a shelter-deck butt for welding.

tight by the wet basin gang again. This gang is working against that great enemy of all construction work—TIME.

Their first task, after having the tank turned over to them, is to get it filled with water and pressed up to about 4 or more pounds of pressure. These tanks have to be filled very systematically so that the weight is distributed equally throughout the ship. Only a few of these tanks can be filled at one time, so as not to overload the ship on the ways. After the tank is filled, the men go to work on all the bulkheads, decks, and shells and make all welded seams absolutely bone dry.

They are always confronted with weather conditions. You absolutely can not pass tanks in rainy weather, or when we have quick changes in the weather. It is atmospheric conditions which cause tanks to sweat, thereby making it impossible to pass them. When we have a few days of bad weather the test gang are right in a hole. Moving water from one tank to another requires a great deal of time also. To drain a center cargo tank through the docking plugs requires thirty hours time and fourteen hours for wing tanks. If they are fortunate enough to use the ship's cargo line to equalize from one tank to another, they are able to cut the draining time fifty percent.

If a tank is lost due to some unforeseen reason and has to be drained and refilled, the lost time element here is close to sixty hours. These tanks are all tested with river water which means the tank after draining has to be washed down with city water to clear it of all sludge and sediment and this also is the test men's responsibility. Again all tanks have to be made tight to the satisfaction of the American Bureau and Owners' inspectors.

Now there is another gang known as the Air test gang. It is their duty to fill all tanks again with four pounds of air pressure. Then the penetrations, pipes and other outlets are painted with soapy water and all leaks made tight. This is known as the final test, and also has to be

approved by American Bureau and the Owners' inspectors. This means that the inspectors are over all tanks three different times, from searching to final test.

Still another test gang is known as the deck house crew. These men are all specialists in their own line also. It is their job to search all welding, fair-up jobs and everything in general, and hose test. By this we mean squirt water on all outside bulkheads, toilets, house tops, vents, trucks, etc., and make them tight to the satisfaction of the Owners' inspectors. These gangs are being pushed at all times, due to the fact that other crafts such as the joiners, sheet metal, cement men, electrical and bitumastic men, can not start their work until all the quarters are passed by the inspectors. There has been quite a contrast in riveting in the department, from World War I days when the riveters were by far the largest department in the yard, to World War II days when they are one of the smallest departments, but nevertheless they are important, since Sun Ship is in the repair business as well as new construction. They are continually getting riveted ships in the dry dock for repair, which means that riveters have to be maintained in the Yard at all times although on welded constructed ships they have approximately fifteen thousand rivets to drive on each hull. When they are caught up with riveting, they are used in the other crafts within the department.

Last but not least, we have the packing department which is another vanishing gang with all-welded constructed ships.

During World War I, it took twenty-four men to take care of eight shipways on this highly important job, while now Ira C. Bower, a veteran of twenty-five years of packing, and a helper take care of twenty-eight shipways and the dry dock.

It should be added, for the supervision and men in 55 department that it is our aim to fully cooperate with every craft in the yard to the fullest extent of our ability.



LOUIS CARATELLO driving rivets on poop deck.

## Mrs. Richard L. Burke, Wife of Company Vice President, Christens the S.S. Wauhatchie

Mrs. Elva M. Burke, wife of Richard L. Burke, General Manager and Vice President of Sun Shipbuilding & Dry Dock Company, christened the S.S. Wauhatchie at North Yard on Tuesday, November 14.

The tanker, built for the U.S. Maritime Commission, slid down the ways at 1:25 P.M. just after Mrs. Burke broke a beautiful bottle of champagne across its bow. President John G. Pew, Sr. directed the launching and the group of fifty guests stood on the sponsor's platform.

Richard Burke has been with Sun Ship for nearly twenty-nine years and is recognized nationally as one of the foremost shipbuilders in the country. He began as a marine draftsman at the New York Shipbuilding Co. in Camden and steadily rose to the executive position he now holds.

Guests at the launching were Mrs. John G. Pew, Robert Haig,

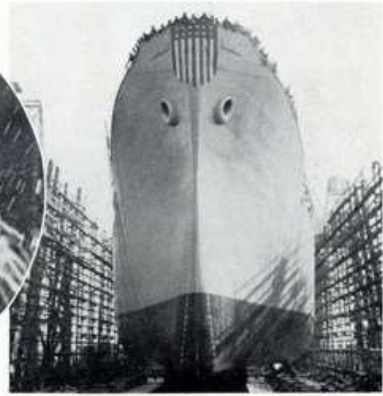
Sun vice-president; Mrs. Agnes Haig Sheldon, William Craemer, secretary and treasurer of the company, and Mrs. Craemer; J. H. Gordon McConechy, chief engineer at Sun, and Mrs. McConechy; Thomas M. Jackson, chief electrical engineer, and Mrs. Jackson; Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Scott, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Norton, Mr. and Mrs. William Beatty, George D. Carney, Mr. and Mrs. John Wilkinson, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Lamberson, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Dimeiler, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond M. Burk, Capt. and Mrs. H. D. Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Pilkington, Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Chermol, Mr. and Mrs. William F. Delehanty, Mr. and Mrs. F. Herman Fritz, Dr. and Mrs. Aaron Bagsur, Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. Simon, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Haig, Miss Helen Finegan, Miss Janet Mentzer, Miss Hannah Hepworth, Miss Mary Gormley, H. E. Rossell, president of Cramps Shipyard, and C. R. Hutton, director of industrial relations at Cramps.



Richard L. Burke, Mrs. Burke and John G. Pew, Sr.



The sponsor christening the Sun-built tanker the S.S. Wauhatchie.



The S.S. Wauhatchie going down the ways.



(Upper left) — Guests seated at luncheon held in the Main Office Cafeteria. (Upper right) — President John G. Pew, Sr. presenting the Sponsor's gift to Mrs. Burke.



(Above) — The Sponsor's party following the ceremony. Mrs. John G. Pew, Sr. is standing at the left of the Sponsor. William Craemer, Treasurer, is at extreme right.







**RUTH DIGIAMBATISTA**, helper in Salvage department. Mrs. DiGiambatista has two sons, John and Louis, in the Armed Forces. Another son, Walter, will be 18 years old on December 23rd. She also has three daughters.

# THROUGH SALVAGE WIN VICTORY



**ROSE "TINY" FEES**, helper in the Salvage yard. Her husband, Rholla, was in the Submarine Division of the U. S. Navy for eight years, and was reported Missing in Action on December 4, 1943. However, Mrs. Fees still has hopes that her husband may be living.

From 20 to 30 tons of lead and 8 to 15 tons of copper are being salvaged each month by Sun Ship, and the women and men doing the job in Central Yard comprise one of the most interesting groups in the plant. Virtually all have a loved one in the war and some have had losses.

The wire salvage work is under the supervision

of John A. Albany with John Strater as assistant leader. The discarded cables are cut into 18-inch lengths. After the steel coating is removed, the lead sheathing is also removed and the covering on the many strands of copper wire is burned off. "I believe we have one of the most efficient outfits in the yard," said Leader Albany.



**IN CHARGE OF STRIPPING ELECTRIC CABLE** are, left to right, back row: Carl Boettcher, L. Doetterer, J. Strater, S. Cornacchi, John A. Albany, leader, Clara Wilkinson, Ethel Sale, Mary Glowiak, and Rose Fees. Front row: Sarah Eachus, Catherine Coyne, Ann Ducceschi, Laura Picciotti, Ruth Di Giambatista.



**JOHN ALBANY**, leader in the Salvage yard with nine years service. **JACK SEAMEN**, foreman of 75 department with 26 years service, and **"BUD" POWELL**, leader in charge of the Angle yard with a nine year service record.



**IN CHARGE OF BUNDLING THE COPPER WIRE** after the insulation has been burned off are, left to right: L. Dotterer, Carl Boettcher, Sarah Eachus, Rose Fees, Mary Glowiak, John A. Albany, leader, John Strater, Ethel Sale, Mildred Crosby, Clara Wilkinson, Agnes Gober, Laura Picciotti, Steve Cornacchi, Ann Ducceschi, Catherine Coyne, Joe Diamicis, and Ruth DiGiambatista.



**MEN OF THE SALVAGE DEPARTMENT** who do work that is not suitable or too heavy for the women employees, and the men who work in the Angle yard. Left to right: William McCoy, Steve Cornacchi, Les Datterer, Carl Boettcher, Marion Burgett, John Strater, Berl Riggan, Joe Garamone, Courtney Carter, Edward Barfield, Andy Mayfield, William Biesecker, Crane operator, Max Orenstein, Joe Diamicis, John A. Albany, leader, and John West.

# SERVICE AWARDS

(Right) W. Warwick receiving his twenty year service pin from Vice President, Richard L. Burke.



I. Cregg, 15 years, C. Blavier, 15 years, L. Sands, 15 years, J. Gobel, 10 years, O. Newsome, 10 years, M. Ponder, 10 years, O. Price, 10 years, J. Robinson, 20 years, P. Hite, 15 years, J. Dougherty, 15 years.



L. Fenstermacher, 15 years, H. Healey, 10 years, P. McIntyre, 10 years, A. McDungall, 15 years, W. Biernacki, 10 years, L. Kosmena, 15 years, C. Corter, 10 years, A. Ireland, 10 years.

## SEPTEMBER, 1944

### DRAFTSMEN

38-31	J. Dougherty	15 Years
38-47	L. Sands	15 Years

### YARD

8-512	W. Warwick	20 Years
58-506	T. Marsick	20 Years
4-175	A. McDungall	15 Years
36-103	L. Kosmena	15 Years
47-2814	W. Owens	15 Years
69-64	P. Hite	15 Years
4-198	P. McIntyre	10 Years
34-606	W. McKinney	10 Years
42-244	M. Ponder	10 Years
42-1060	O. Prie	10 Years
47-1017	R. Cwierniewicz	10 Years
59-12243	J. Gobel	10 Years
65-38	O. Brown	10 Years
68-97	H. Seiverd	10 Years
68-134	A. Ireland	10 Years
75-80	W. Biernacki	10 Years
75-101	L. Mudge	10 Years

## AUGUST, 1944

### SALARY

30-8	J. Cregg	15 Years
30-2000	C. Blavier	15 Years

### YARD

47-2822	C. Maguigan	25 Years
42-272	J. Robinson	20 Years
47-2818	D. Starr	20 Years
55-35	J. Lowther	20 Years
8-629	W. Keyser	15 Years
46-50	L. Fenstermacher	15 Years
69-51	J. Morson	15 Years
69-75	W. Pepper	15 Years
93-6	P. Lilley	15 Years
33-10579	E. Riddick	10 Years
36-129	D. Bunel	10 Years
36-607	I. Curry	10 Years
36-875	R. Logan	10 Years
42-201	O. Newsome	10 Years
42-239	H. Healey	10 Years
51-39	W. Adams	10 Years
65-80	K. Niemczura	10 Years
95-7	U. Lyons	10 Years

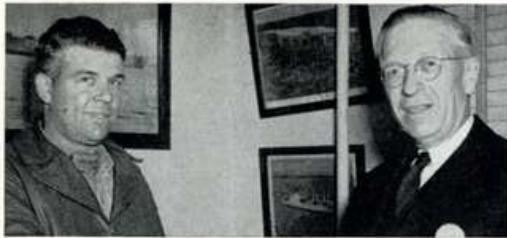


W. Pepper, 15 years, D. Starr, 20 years, C. Maguigan, 25 years, R. Cwierniewicz, 10 years, P. Lilley, 15 years, W. McKinney, 10 years, and T. Marsick, 20 years.



W. McCormack, 20 years, I. Curry, 10 years, O. Brown, 10 years, H. Seiverd, 10 years, J. Lowther, 20 years, D. Bunel, 10 years, U. Lyons, 10 years and J. Morson, 15 years.





Charles Somers, receiving his 10 year service pin from Vice President Richard L. Burke.



John Zanzinger, moulder at the Wetherill plant, receiving his 30 year service pin from Richard L. Burke, Vice President. Mr. Zanzinger has actually worked at the Wetherill plant for 34 years and will receive his 35 year pin next year.



D. Ipincic, 20 years, E. Quailles, 10 years, E. Ewald, 10 years, W. Bruce, 20 years, H. Meredith, 20 years, J. MacNamar, 15 years, O. Siegal, 20 years, S. Cochrane, 10 years.



R. Hodge, 15 years, M. Osle, 20 years, S. Picara, 20 years, K. Niemczura, 10 years, S. Puljice, 20 years, A. Rankle, 20 years, R. Granger, 10 years.



Standing, left to right: H. Jones, 15 years, M. Moody, 15 years, E. Burg, 20 years, J. Eisler, 15 years, B. Smith, 10 years, H. Burr, 15 years, F. Zettle, 15 years.

**OCTOBER, 1944**

**SALARY**

94-62	O. Siegel	20 Years
79-21	S. Cochrane	10 Years

**DRAFTSMEN**

38-61	J. MacNamar	15 Years
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**YARD**

4-21	J. Zanzinger	30 Years
30-2008	F. Fritz	25 Years
69-43	S. Budnovich	25 Years
36-916	D. Ipincic	20 Years
55-27	W. Bruce	20 Years
55-10020	S. Picara	20 Years
58-507	S. Puljice	20 Years
66-33	A. Rankle	20 Years
75-70	M. Osle	20 Years
80-32	H. Meredith	20 Years
80-488	E. Burg	20 Years
91-10011	W. Osterheldt	20 Years
8-411	J. Eisler	15 Years
30-10012	R. Hodge	15 Years
33-806	H. Wood	15 Years
66-48	F. Zettle	15 Years
68-262	J. Reczek	15 Years
80-135	H. Jones	15 Years
80-185	M. Moody	15 Years
84-49	H. Burr	15 Years
34-666	E. Ewald	10 Years
47-74	B. Smith	10 Years
47-996	C. Brooks	10 Years
59-10529	R. Granger	10 Years
66-10015	C. Somers	10 Years
69-62	H. Krabbenhoft	10 Years
80-596	E. Quailles	10 Years



# LABOR-MANAGEMENT PRODUCTION DRIVE



## October Awards

On November 9th, the Labor Management Production Committee awarded four \$50.00 prizes and two \$25.00 prizes.

### \$50.00 AWARD

**W. Edwards, 34-1702  
Tank Rail Straightener**

A special tool for straightening tank hand rail after it has been damaged by the Stagebuilders dropping their staging. This eliminates replacing new rails and also cuts down the repair time on the less damaged rails.

### \$50.00 AWARD

**Charles B. Bowden, Jr., 33-784  
Time Clock Guard**

A guard for keeping time cards from dropping in the time clock. A special guard installed inside the time clocks to keep the card from being lost in the clock and putting it out of order.

### \$50.00 AWARD

**John Tokarchick, 47-4815  
Remodeling Burning Beds**

By turning the T-Bar guides, on the burning beds of the North Yard 47 Fabricating Shop, opposite of what they are now, so that the plates to be burned can be laid parallel with the burning lines which the men extend over the bed, the men can do their work more efficiently and much

### SUGGESTION FORMS

*All new ideas should be submitted on regular forms supplied by the Labor Management Production Drive Committee. By using these forms, which you may get from your Foreman or at your nearest Personnel Office, you will receive a prompt reply acknowledging the receipt of your suggestion.*

*All ideas should be put in Suggestion Boxes which are located throughout the Yard, or sent by Inter-Office mail to Labor Management Committee, c/o Personnel Office, Central Yard.*

faster and not get in each other's way. It also prevents the burning lines and electric cords from getting burned up.

### \$50.00 AWARD

**P. Simmons, 46-812  
B-H-S Rig**

A special rig for drawing the side shell to the bulkhead. It is composed of two pieces — one rig slides into the slot in the bulkhead and the other fits under the welded longitudinal on the sideshell. No welding is required in the operation.

### \$25.00 AWARD

**T. Phillips, 65-10012  
Riveting Gadget**

A simple and inexpensive gadget which holds the cap in place over the rivet ready for driving. This idea both speeds up the job and cuts down on the number of rivet caps which are lost.

### \$25.00 AWARD

**Jack McDonald, 34-706  
Removing Forms**

A set of hooks have been designed to move the round forms on and off the air tables that are used for bending pipe in the shops.

## This Month's Prize Winners



Jay Schoff, Secretary of the Labor Management Committee, presents the October prize winners with their awards. Left to right: P. Simmons, J. MacDonald, and W. Edwards.



Left to right: Charles B. Bowden, Jr., T. Phillips, and J. Tokarchick received awards also.



# JUNIOR MEMBERS OF THE SUN SHIP FAMILY



**ROBERT LEWONAS**, 12 year old son of Theodore Lewonas, lay-out at Wetherill plant. His mother, Nellie Lewonas, works in 36 dept., Tube mill.

**ALAN ROUX**, 11 year old son of Alexander Roux, 66 dept. Alan's four brothers, former workers here, now are in the Armed Services.



**ALICE 4, MARION 1, and HARVEY JR., 3**, children of Harvey Sewell, 33 dept. crane operator in No. 4 Yard.



**HARRY 8, HOLLAND 10, DAVID 7, LANNY 5, ARTHUR RICHARD 17** months, sons of H. Gibbs, 36-183. Pop "Kid" Gibbs is justly proud of these 5 fine sons.



**HELEN SINGER**, 2 year old daughter of Lewis Singer, 34 dept., Central Yard.



**FRANKIE 4, and ANNA 6**, children of Anthony Venditti, 68 dept., North Yard.



**PAULA KENNEDY**, 1 year old daughter of Sam Kennedy, ass't. foreman, 46 dept., N. Y.

**PHYLLIS TOPHAM**, 1 year old daughter of James Topham, 38 dept., Wetherill plant.



**DOROTHY 6, and RAYMOND 4**, children of J. Bell of 59 dept., Central Yard.



**CAROL KEHNER**, 2 year old daughter of Emma Kehner, 47 dept., South Yard.



**ELAINE KATTINGE**, 11 year old daughter of James Kattinge, 30 dept.

**DOROTHY PALLANIS**, 12 year old daughter of Paul Pallanis.



**RACEIL FEHL**, 4½ year old daughter of Wm. Fehl, 30 dept., Sheet-metal shop at the Wetherill plant.



**ATTILIO 10, and ROSE MARIE 2, DI STEFANO**, children of Samuel Di Stefano, 47 dept.



**SAMUEL 4, and LAURETTA 8**, children of Samuel DiStefano, 47 dept.



**LEILANI CERVINO**, 4 year old daughter of Harry Cervino, machinist and lathe operator at the Wetherill plant.



**ANDREA MUCHA**, 6 month old daughter of Andrew Mucha, leader in 47 dept., N. Y.



**RONALD GRAPIN**, 18 month old son of Bernard Grapin, 59 dept., North Yard.



**WM. KEARNS, JR.**, 14 month old son of William Kearns, 59 dept., North Yard.



**SUSAN TOPOLINICKI**, 1 year old daughter of Marion Topolinicki, 65 dept., N. Y.



**SAMUEL AVELLA, Jr.**, 2½ year old son of S. Avella 36 dept., Ship Repair.



**ANN MARIE FIORITO**, 1 year old daughter of Anthony Fiorito of 47 dept., Central Yard.



**FRANK SPOR, JR.**, 4 month old son of Frank Spor, 74 dept. His mother, "Kitty", formerly worked in 91 dept.

## STAFF SERGEANT JOE LOUIS URGES WORKERS TO STAY ON JOB

On Wednesday, October 25, No. 4 Yard played host to the champion of champions, Joe Louis, World's Heavyweight Champion, now Sergeant in the United States Army.

Brud Holland of the Personnel department was also a speaker. He presented Joe with an engraved brass and wood plaque made at No. 4 Yard. It had the following inscription worded by "Brud": "Sergeant Joe Louis, Citizen, Athlete, Sportsman and Soldier; an All-American Champion. Presented by the Sun Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Co. by employees of No. 4 Yard, Chester, Pa., U.S.A., Oct. 25, 1944."

Joe spoke for about 15 minutes to the thousands of men working in the Shipyard at the change of shifts at 4:15. He stressed the following points:

1. Our men in the armed forces will not be able to do their jobs if they do not have the proper supplies and the only way in which they can get their supplies will be by ships. Our Army is now a mechanized army and the tankers that Sun Ship builds are of vital importance to the outcome of this war.
2. He stated that there was no absenteeism among men in the armed service and that our boys on the

foreign fields expected the same of those who remain behind.

3. He stressed the point that cooperation on the home front would ultimately lead to a shorter war and a finer peace and that our men on the foreign fields were holding the home front responsible for their part in this great play.



"If you don't keep on the job you're letting the boys down", warned Joe to workers of No. 4 Yard.



(Left) Joe reads the engraved plaque which the No. 4 Yard employees gave him. With him is Vice President John Pew Jr.



(Right) Two former Sun Ship employees appeared with Joe Louis on the program. "Arty" Kraft (left), and Eugene Glenny.

(Below, left) Part of the crowd of 4000 that heard Joe on October 25th.

(Below, right) Brud Holland, Assistant Personnel Officer, acting on behalf of the Company, entertained Joe Louis and party at an informal luncheon in Central Yard's Cafeteria.





# SUN BOWLING LEAGUE STANDINGS

In our Bowling Leagues this month there are a few changes in position, showing some of the boys have their own ideas about who should be in first place.

Our Delri League team is only 3 points out of first

place after rolling nearly 3,000 for 3 a week ago. Some bowling, eh boys. This gives you something to shoot at.

If our other Leagues will send in their standings, we will try to get some pictures in for them.

"A" LEAGUE		MIXED LEAGUE	
	W. L.		W. L.
1. Paint Shop	32 8	1. Sun Golds	16 4
2. Tool Room	25 15	2. Sun Glows	15 5
3. Engineering	24 16	3. Sun Blues	14 6
4. Copper Shop	23 17	4. Sun Rays	13 7
5. Shipways	23 17	5. Sun Spots	11 9
6. Fabricating	22 18	6. Sun Beams	6 14
7. Electricians	21 19	7. Sun Dials	6 14
8. Sheet Metal Shop	21 19	8. Sun Times	0 20
9. Accounting	20 20		
10. Machinists	20 20		
11. Wetherill	20 20		
12. Mold Loft "A"	18 22		
13. Office	18 22		
14. Riggers	18 22		
15. Cost	17 23		
16. Installation	15 25		
17. Mold Loft "B"	15 25		
18. Hull Drawing	8 32		

In the "A" League the Paint shop still holds a 7 game lead. They are really hard to knock down. High three is still Staley's 668 with Fry's 251 high single still looking very good.

We must not overlook our latest addition, the Sun Ship Mixed League. The girls and boys are still going strong. Just look at this line-up: Sun Golds—16, Sun Glows—15, Sun Blues—14, and Sun Rays—13. They couldn't be much closer. Klocko leads the men's side with a 163 average and Wilson leads the girls with a neat 133 average.

INDEPENDENT LEAGUE		"B" LEAGUE	
	W. L.		W. L.
1. Installation	17 3	1. Welders	32 8
2. 60 Dept. N. Y.	16 4	2. Berthing	31 9
3. Expeditors	33 7	3. Inspectors	28 12
4. 36 Mach. Shop	12 8	4. Dry Dock	26 14
5. Wet Basin	11 9	5. Pipe Shop	22 18
6. Chippers	8 12	6. Tube Mill	21 19
7. Instruments	8 12	7. Linermen	21 19
8. 84 Maint.	5 15	8. Cranemen	21 19
9. N. Y. Fab.	5 15	9. Wetherill	21 19
10. C. Y. Welders	5 15	10. Safety	21 19
		11. Paint Shop	20 20
		12. Maintenance	19 21
		13. Pattern Shop	18 22
		14. Smith Shop	16 24
		15. Erectors	13 27
		16. Timekeepers	12 28
		17. Boilershop	9 31
		18. Counters	7 33

In the Independent League, as you can see, competition is very keen. Installation leading by only 1 point. 60 Dept. N. Y. says, "They won't be there long." Stack with 243 single and Beaver with 617 look good to cop the prize money. The "Gay Nineties" recently came up with three new members: Taylor—91, Austin—99, Foster—98.

In "B" Section, the Welders still cling to a small margin of 1 game and Berthing is still determined to knock them out. We are still waiting for someone to do something about Marvel's 254 and Cox's 639.



THE TOP TEAM IN "B" — That serious expression is caused by Berthing. When they bowl they mean it; all but that guy in the middle, "Hearn" — he's happy anyway. We give you — Wise, Gummel, Hearn, Goodale, and Pearsall.

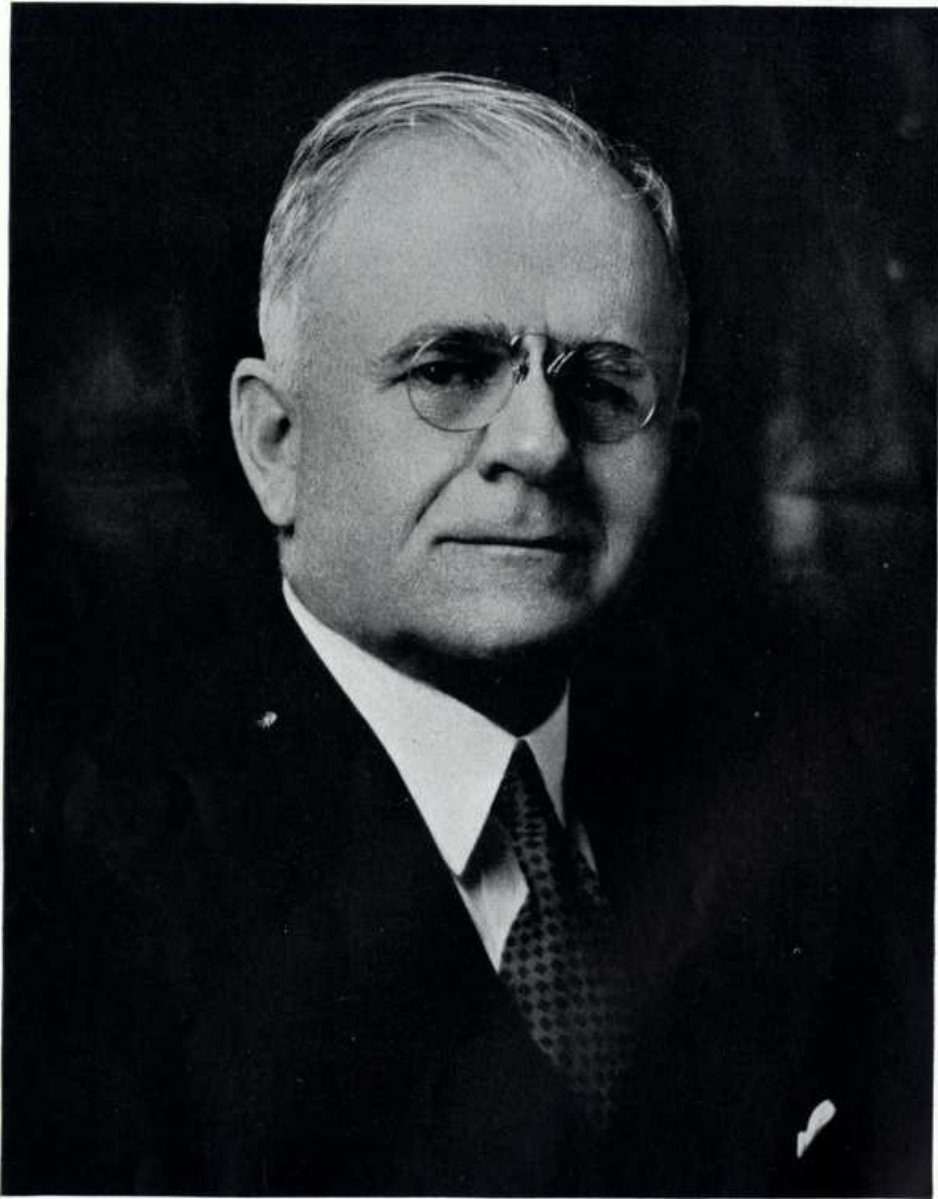
JIMMY "GOOSE" WOOD, one of our high average bowlers in "B", and a good sport and fine fellow. We hope he can continue his good work and cop that high average.



DRYDOCK riding in 4th place, and fighting with all they have, is composed of Williams, Radabauch, Klemmer, Ingraham, and Rowles. These fellows are always on or near the top.



THIS TEAM IS IN 2nd PLACE by only 1 point in "B" League and they really can bear down when necessary. The Welders better be on their toes all the time. Here are Humphreys, MacMullin, Kilgore, Cox, and Gibson.







*AT this Christmas time I wish to send greetings to our many employees now serving with the Armed Forces. I would like also to extend my heart-felt sympathy to the relatives of those men who have given their all for their Country.*

*I personally would like to meet each of our employees who are keeping faith with their Government and loved ones in the services by helping to build ships needed for Victory.*

*As this is impossible, I take this means to extend to you my best wishes for the Holiday Season.*

*John F. Lewis*

# Pick-ups from the Yard



POSTERS, such as this one, dramatically portraying the service that Sun Ships render the war effort, stir workers to increase the production of tankers and other craft.

## NO. 4 YARD NOTES

At noon hour in Yard Number 4, on Thursday, October 12, there was a great deal of excitement. One of Sun Ship's former employees, William Lamont Williams, formerly of the Sheet Metal department, returned to the Yard as Sgt. William Lamont Williams.

Sergeant Williams saw five months of service as aerial gunner with the Free French Air Force in Italy and North Africa.

On his return trip from a successful bombing raid he was wounded in the shoulder by flak. He spent some time in the hospital overseas; he will enter a hospital in Atlantic City before going back.

Sergeant Williams stressed the need for ships—ships bringing food, ammunition and supplies, to fighting and wounded men.

One of the highlights of the program was the spot when Mr. John G. Pew, Jr., interviewed Sergeant Williams.

Others participating on the program were: Mr. William Stansberry, 45 department and Brud Holland, Personnel department.

The Number 4 Yard Band furnished the music.

Several young ladies who work in the yard with the assistance of Mrs. Brown, Personnel Officer for Women, Yard Number 4, entertained Sergeant Williams with a chili supper on Saturday, October 21.

We'll let you in on a little secret! Many have been wondering why once per week at the noon hour Isabel Payne, Blanche Turner, Pearl Howard, Hazel Brown, Odessa Richardson, Margaret Smith and Betty Bailey, all of 33 department and Blondine Pearson and Agnes



NURSE PAULINE LAWRENCE operating the autoclave which is used for the sterilization of instruments, towels, etc. Nurse Lawrence, Head Nurse in the No. 4 Yard Dispensary, was graduated from Mercy Hospital in 1937 and has been with Sun Ship since March 1943.

Jackson, of 59 department, have been meeting with Mrs. Brown, Personnel Officer for Women, Yard Number 4. These young women believe that if the girls in the Yard have fun doing things together it will not only mean after-work fun, but it will cut down friction between girls in the Yard. They are planning skating and bowling parties, volunteer service to men in the armed forces, and other activities.

Reporter: ALENE B. BROWN

## NO. 4 YARD NEWS

Tunstall Johnson, second shift attendant in the the Number 4 Yard Employment office, is taking care of the many services required of that Department for second and third shift. "Johnnie on the spot" might be applied to him as he passes out

temporary buttons, identification cards, answers phones and assists with some of the filing. Tunstall has been with Sun Ship about a year and has helped many a forgetful employee out when reporting to work without identification card or button.

Barge production in the Fabrication and Innerbottom shops being what it is causes the foremen of these Departments to wear noticeable smiles of satisfaction on second shift around Number 4 Yard.

Activity in the Pipe shop along with some other outfitting departments of Number 4 Yard is having great effect on the conspicuous absence of launched ships from the wet basins.

The Number 4 Yard Dispensary is so cheerful and pleasant with its new coat of paint and the return of the recently ill staff member, that many of the guys have that "I don't want to get well" look on their faces upon leaving.

Now that the winter season is ushering in indoor athletic and recreation activities, many of the employees are wondering what the possibilities are in Number 4 Yard. Department Basketball teams have great entertainment features and can be worked out if the guys and gals are interested. Also the regular and odd-hour bowling leagues are anxious for newcomers and Chester is just about ready to open an alley for our use.

Reporter: JOSEPH WEST

## Merry Christmas FROM No. 4 YARD



MRS. ALENE BRIGGS BROWN, the newly appointed Personnel Officer in No. 4 Yard, feels very much at home with us since in her work as Associate Director of the Chester U.S.O. she came to know and to consider as real friends, many Sun Ship workers.

Some of the girls who have talked with Mrs. Brown have said they are interested in Basketball and Bowling teams, Dramatics, and contributing their time in bolstering military morale by visiting Army camps and hospitals. She is interested in discussing with women of the Yard any of their problems which come within the scope of the Personnel dept.



## STORERUMORS — 80 DEPT.

We were very sorry to learn that George Hagenbach's wife passed away. May we offer our sympathy and condolences.

The boys have stopped going to the movies. Herb Calimer, an inveterate moviegoer, describes each movie in detail with gestures and action. Why spend good money? Just see Herb.

Tommie Elser has been working like blazes getting Kaiser material out. The boys have nicknamed him the "Kaiser Kalamity Kid."

Madge Gill is studying a Chester Pike road map these days. Will someone tell Madge that when going from Chester to Philadelphia, Norwood comes before Glenolden. It was a cold, sad, walk back to Norwood. Of course Madge had plenty of company. Quote Madge, "Why doesn't Robby move out of no-man's-land back into civilization, like Chester?"

For jewelry, see Edith Korp. She handled the forfeit objects at Blanche Donnelly's recent party in the good old game of "heavy, heavy," and we hear she has a few assorted rings and watches left over. Not bad, not bad.

Paul Rawn has been made a second lieutenant in the auxiliary police. Nice going Paul.

It is with the deepest regret that we announce the passing of Miles McClain after a very long and serious illness. Miles was well liked by all and will be missed. Our sympathy to his family.

Another letter from Walt Emsley somewhere in England. Walt sends his best regards to everyone. He also said he received a box of spare parts from Sun Ship for re-shipment and congratulates us on our markings. Anyone wishing to write Walt can get his address from Robby. Will anyone knowing the addresses of Lew Krausse, Sam Tryens, or any of the old gang, please give them to Robby for mailing to Walt Emsley?

Also a letter from Bernard Clark, former truck driver, now on barracks detail somewhere in Washington State. Bernie is fine and sends his best to the gang and says, "Please write."

Congratulations to Frank Thompson on his recent promotion. The entire Aberfoyle crew and all of Frank's co-workers and friends were very pleased to hear the news.

The traffic gang was glad to welcome Ginny Detwiler back after her recent long illness. Ginny looks great and was glad to get back.

Sorry to say so long to Reese Onimus. We all enjoyed working with Reese and will miss him. Incidentally, Reese was glad to be here on November 8, so that he and Robby could quietly enjoy their little triumph. Bill, Frank, Sam, and George were very quiet that morning.

Scotty has made \$1800 in the last 16 days. Unfortunately, it's been on paper. With a fool-proof system like that, we expect to see you on the millionaire list, Scotty.

We were all very glad to hear that Harris, ETB, is eating steak again. Not bad, boy, not bad, that dazzling smile is O. K.

And so another year rolls around again. It seems only yesterday that your scribe

## How a Dane Saved 4 Million Americans!

ONE of the world's greatest benefactors was Einar Holboell, Danish postal clerk.

As he worked long hours sorting Christmas mail, he thought of a way to put it to work for humanity . . . and in 1904 started the sale of Christmas Seals to combat tuberculosis. Introduced in America in 1907, the Seals have helped cut the T.B. death rate 75%, have helped save 4,000,000 lives!

But T.B. still kills more people between 15 and 45 than any other disease. Your dollars are urgently needed now. Send in your contribution today — please.



### BUY CHRISTMAS SEALS!

The National, State and Local  
Tuberculosis Associations in  
the United States

was writing his Christmas greetings for 1943. This year has gone quickly and the outlook is much better now than a year ago. Let us hope that next year this time will see peace again on the face of this troubled Earth. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to Mr. Brown, the entire 80 department; Paul Carr and Jay Schoff and all my many friends who helped this fellow out with the column. May you enjoy good health and all your news be good in 1945.

P. S.: I want to publish a note given to Frank Thompson by Ernest T. Small, speaking for the Aberfoyle Truck Loaders.

"In order to obtain our heart's desire in winning this war, we, the Aberfoyle Storeroom Truck Loaders, are giving our best every day, and will continue to do so every day, to help Sun Ship's effort in the war; so that our boys can come home soon safe and sound."

That's the spirit, fellows, and may your wishes come true.

Reporter: SID ROBINSON

### BURNER'S RAMBLINGS

This Christmas will find our country in its fourth war Yuletide. Let us all buckle down and help see it does not become five. Many men away from their homes and families will like to celebrate next Christmas with their loved ones. You and I can give them their best Christmas present next year. Give them the chance to come home. Your efforts here at home coupled with their daring and willingness to fight will keep Christmas forever a time of "Peace on each, good-will to men."

Bill Lambert was reminiscing of "the last time he saw Paris". Bill had an orchestra with which he toured several European countries. Bill played the trumpet.

Howard Detter, known to his co-workers as "Indian Joe", may yet prove dreams pay. Joe has many dreams where he sees items not yet invented. The details are remarkably clear next morning. His latest is an alarm clock without any works. He won't tell what brand of cheese he eats before going to bed.

Frank Caso, also known as "General", is not the only member of his family employed at Sun. His father, Sam, is a bricklayer at



## U.S. MARITIME COMMISSION'S PICTURE OF THE MONTH



S.S. CIMARRON, built by Sun Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Co., was launched Jan. 7 and delivered Feb. 6, 1939. This photograph was supplied by the U.S. Maritime Commission for "Our Yard" and will be followed

each month by an illustration of a different type of ship taking part in the War. Sun Ship recently received an order for five additional ships of this class.

the North Yard. His brother, Pete, is a burner also at the North Yard.

Bernie Hunigman has one ambition. He wants to own a racing stable. Some day at Belmont the entries will read Widener, Hunigman, etc. Bernie has a very shrewd thought in his planning. He will buy seven and eight year olds. He says they will be able to beat a bunch of one and two year old babies.

Lou Kofron, a nice guy, is very modest. But, there is one thing he will talk about. His wife and five children. The children range in age from eight to thirteen years. If they are all as nice as their daddy—nuff said.

Len had an interesting experience during his vacation. He was awakened in his hotel room by the sound of the knob turning. The door opened and an intruder entered. Speechlessly, Len watched while the assailant approached the bed. It was several moments before he could gather his senses. In fact the intruder was upon his chest before he was able to call for help. Needless to say our Len was unharmed.

ATTENTION: Wives and families of burners at Sun Ship. Your husbands, fathers, etc., are modest guys. They won't talk. Perhaps, you can send us what you think would be an interesting item about them and your families for this column. Birthdays, wedding anniversaries, talents they have, which would be of interest to their fellow workers. Humorous or exciting incidents. Send your items to Sun Ship in care of this column. Thanks. Let's see some news, ladies.

In our department, we have a walking encyclopedia, Ed Carpenter who is also by way of being a philosopher.

Until next month, "Keep those Torches high for Liberty". Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Reporter: TED LOUPUS.



## SUN SHIP TO BUILD FIVE NEW SHIPS FOR \$25,000,000

*Employment at Full Capacity Assured for 2 Years*

Five huge tankers involving the expenditure of approximately \$25,000,000 will be built for the U. S. Maritime Commission, it was announced recently by John G. Pew, president of the Sun Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company.

**"THIS NEW CONTRACT WILL CARRY THE FULL TIME ACTIVITY OF THE GREAT YARDS AT CHESTER WELL INTO 1946. FORMING A SUBSTANTIAL BACKLOG OF EMPLOYMENT IN THE CHESTER AND DELAWARE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL AREA," MR. PEW SAID.**

Also, this new contract serves to answer a recurring question with regard to Sun Ship Employment for the next two years.

The new tankers are of the Cimarron type, designed before the war by Sun Ship engineers. Their average cost is \$5,000,000 compared with a cost of \$3,000,000 for the T-2 type tankers which are being launched at Sun Ship yards at the rate of six and seven every month.

The Cimarron type tankers will have twin propellers and a normal speed of 18 knots, the Navy Department revealed. They have an overall length of 553 feet and carrying capacity of more than 6,000,000 gallons of gasoline. Their cruising range is 18,000 miles, an important factor in the Pacific warfare.

The original Cimarron tanker was launched at Sun Ship on January 7, 1939, and delivered into service on February 6, less than a month later. It became notable in Maritime circles for its excellent performance at sea, and led to the new order for five additional tankers.

There will be eight of the T-2 tankers launched this month, bringing to 73 the number of vessels launched by Sun Ship thus far in 1944. In addition, a large number of ear floats (barges) have been built for service overseas, including 21 by Yard No. 4, predominantly colored-employed.





**JEAN REILLY** is the newest addition to Central Yard's Personnel Office. She entered the employ of the Company on August 16th of this year and in a short time has acquired a host of friends.



**Pfc. JESSEE HOLDREN**, brother of Ann Holdren, 80 dept. He is serving in the U.S. Army.



**OVER A HUNDRED YEARS SERVICE** — These 55 dept. men from Central Yard have all served over a quarter century with the Company. Left to right: O. Thomas, R. McNally, assistant foreman, F. Requarth, J. DeNight.



**ERECTORS, CENTRAL YARD, FIRST SHIFT** — Left to right, front row: G. Kauffman, F. Trama, A. Salyers and Charles Bondi, 30 department; back row: W. Wisgo, leader; R. Bucci, M. Trulick, and N. Stringer.

**GET FREE INCOME TAX GUIDE FROM YOUR FOREMAN**

As you know, the Government requires you to file a complete report on your 1944 income on or before March 15. Practically all of us must file this report regardless of the withholding tax deductions from our pay checks, in order to bring us up to date.

Because many who have not heretofore had to file income tax returns will now have to do so, your company has purchased a supply of "Employee's Income Tax Guide."

It is suggested that you see your Foreman for your copy. Take this Guide home, assemble your figures and work out your report carefully, step by step. There are convenient work sheets, sample forms, helpful examples, and other aids.

It is hoped that this Guide will not only help simplify and lighten your task in making out your income tax report, but may perhaps help you to avoid costly errors.

**DAUBS FROM THE PAINT SHOP**

Global warfare — The long arm of coincidence reached out and touched the Lambert family who have fighting men scattered all over the globe. Herbert, who worked with us as a South Yard welder, joined the Tank Corps where he became one of its best mechanics. Donald enlisted in the Air Corps and he too became a mechanic. Recently while on leave in London, Donald ran into Herb accidentally and after overcoming their mutual surprise, they began to settle the inevitable argument as to the merits of their respective Corps. They later staged an impromptu celebration that all but made London forget the flying bombs. "Pop" Lambert has furnished us with their picture (see page 4) which was taken at the time but he did not state whether it was before, during or after the celebration.

Bowling Notes — Since the recent drafting of Pop Fry into the Paint Shop league leaders, "Boss" Woodall has been forced to extend himself and as a result no other team seems able to approach these wizards of the wood and when asked to comment on his own game, reporter Charlie Taylor delivered this historic statement, "Time cannot wither nor age destroy my infinite variety."

Hunting — Frederick Todd recently returned from Upstate where he went hunt-

ing. He bagged one cow, two turkeys and one duck. He said that he had to wait until evening to shoot the Bovine as she wouldn't stand still until milking time.



**88 DEPARTMENT (Guards)**

All members of the Guard force are back in their winter garb. Most of them don the hunting garb when off duty.

We wonder if Vail got the knee-pads out of moth-balls. You will need them on that boat, Earl.

There was some ice on the creek not long ago. If you don't believe it, ask Joe Tatura. He even brought his skates along.

If you want any furniture made, put your order in with Olsen. He can take care of your order and you will not have to wait until the war is over.

Allen is going to be a watchmaker after the war is over. Boy, he sure can bring them to life when they are down and out.

Looks like 88 department will be over the top in the Sixth War Bond Drive, as usual. Everybody's always ready to help the boys "over there" as much as they possibly can.

Reporter: D. J. MACK

**SALES DEPARTMENT NEWS**

Friends! Hold on to those bonds, don't sell now as Uncle Sam called another member of the Sales department into the service on November 22nd. Although this is a loss to our department, it was our Country's gain when Colin Obenchain entered the armed forces. Obenchain was better known as "Obie" to his many friends in the yard and we all want to wish him the best of luck and a speedy return. Obie was presented with an identification bracelet from his fellow workers.

Other members of the Sales department who have already passed through the doors of good old 30th Street are: Earl Moody, who is attending Administrative Clerk's School at Camp Lee, Virginia; Fred News, who finished his Boot training at Camp Peary and last heard from was in Norfolk Virginia; Thad Mathews, who has been in France for several months and Nathan Lecuyer, when last heard from, was training to be a pilot in Texas.

The new addition to the Sales department is none other than Jack Blackwell, formerly of the Assistant Treasurer's office. We hope you like the job, Jack, as well as we like you.







**SOUTH YARD FABRICATING SHOP**—Left to right, standing: George Berwager, Office; Guy Albanese, Office; William Davison, Asst. Foreman in shop; Tom Goodley, Asst. Foreman Yeager's Shop; Emma Kehner, Office and Edgar Smith, Office; seated: Michael McCarthy, Office; Charles Ford, Asst. Foreman Layerouts and Joe Straub, Office.

**'TIS SAID  
SOUTH YARD FAB. SHOP**

Orchids to all the lovely ladies in the Shop, who make a day's work very pleasant for the boys sez Dick (handsome), the burner.

Harry Kiminsky sends his regards to all the boys and girls, saying you can't keep a good man down. Harry, the gang wishes you a speedy recovery from your operation and hope to see you back at work real soon.

Hope, that one man fitting gang out at Fink's plantation, can build a boat all by himself if Ernie would just leave him alone.

Bill Stayed had a hard time convincing Tom Goodby to see his way in the past election. Bill, try again next time.

Ray, the hooker-on, is one gent who does a grand job even if he doesn't smile. A prize will be given anybody who can make Ray smile. He really isn't mad at anybody, either.

Eggie, another hooker-on and former pug, keeps in shape by running up and down the shop.

Flash. What a guy—Harry Reynolds, that dynamic counter, keeps the boys in stitches with his stories. Boy, can he tell them.

George Wilkenson is having his hands full with Charlie again. Poor George is always running to Fordy with his troubles.

Those two vanishing Americans, Jitterbug and his side kick, Two-Ton, have an awful time convincing Carl Finks that they're the men who can really stay on the job.

Oscar, No. 3 man on the Weld table, hopes to build a castle and live there all by himself. He's a hermit in the making.

Jackson, the thin man and the only man who when standing sideways can't be seen, is visiting the Red Cross again to take blood, not to give it.

Landau, who does a fine job in Layout department, has a new side-line, Haunting houses, \$2.00 a room—night rate—Roy, will you please stop scaring your helpers!

Cigar smoking Harry (Stumpy) Lerner gets his nickel's worth out of a cigar even if he has to burn his fingers.

Ernie, of Finks Plantation, is growing again around the waist.

Congratulations to the boys and girls who did a fine job in making the 47 department party a success.

Reporter: DENVER

**W2, North Yard, Second Shift  
Station S-U-N News**

John Hoven entered the Merchant Marine. He wants to sail the ships he helped to build. Happy sailing John, but don't get sea-sick.

"Do nothin' till you hear from me, Walt"—Faherty.

"It could happen to you. Bowling scores"—Pricey.

"I can't see (Punch Marks) for lookin'" —Kelly.

"I don't want to set the world on fire."—Ida.

"I'll get by."—Willie.

"Give Faherty something to remember

you by"—Walt.  
 "Somebody stole my gal"—Lightning.  
 "The old gray mare ain't what she used to be"—Whitey.  
 "Be honest with me"—Goldberg.  
 "When I grow too old to dream"—Davey.  
 "I'm dreamin' of a white Christmas"—Sophie.  
 "That's what I want for Christmas"—Andrews.  
 "Take me back to West Virginia"—Twiggs.  
 "I have the craziest dreams"—Bill, the Shipfitter.  
 "How many times do I have to tell you"—Chock plate Anna.  
 "Don't sweetheart me"—Al.  
 "Wonder when my baby's comin' home"—Theresa.  
 "I'm just a lonesome fellow on the job"—George.  
 "Ridin' High"—Ooky.  
 "What is this thing called love"—Dot.  
 "Keep the 'torch' lite burning"—Smitty.  
 "I'm swinging on a star"—Eddie.  
 "C. I. Jive"—Carolyn.  
 "I'm gonna buy a paper doll"—Cliff.  
 "I'll be around"—Clark.  
 "Pistol Packin' Mama"—Brennan.  
 Bradley wants to go deer hunting again this year. He's out now looking for a machine gun.  
 We wonder why Doc Devault is so quiet these days? Afraid of 160 Average?  
 Reporter: J. FATULA



**COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL ACCOUNTING DEPARTMENT**—Left to right: Granville D. Landling, Chief Accountant, Carl Anderson, Bertha G. Ferguson, Jack L. Burgess.

**YOUR SOCIAL SECURITY CARD**

**hold on TO YOUR SOCIAL SECURITY CARD**

**don't lose it BECAUSE**

Replacing 1,861,871 lost cards last year cost Uncle Sam the price of 550 jeeps

Your social security card has your number on it. No other person's card has the same number. Your employer must put your number beside your name when he makes his report to the government showing your wages. Be sure your employer has your name the same as it is on your social security card. Any change in name, due to marriage, etc., should be reported to the Social Security Board, Crozer Building, Chester, Pennsylvania, so that a card with the new name can be issued.

The number on your card identifies your social security account. You will need it when you file a claim for monthly benefits. Keep it in a safe place. To make doubly sure, take off the lower half, or stub, and put it in some place where you can always find it. If you should lose your card, take or send the stub to the Social Security Board Office and get a duplicate card. Don't get a new number. Make sure you get the same number. One card, one number — for a lifetime.



66 DEPARTMENT



**SHOP CRANE OPERATORS** — Left to right, front row: N. Brinkman, O. Riggins, L. Austin, W. Wynn, leader, E. Skockley, P. Kovitch, H. Rumford; center row: Lasuls H. Roades, S. D'Ignazio, A. Hamderhoffer, N. Minchella, P. Rublowsky, H. Alleman; top row: H. Lofferty, H. Green, E. Tyson, A. Lake, N. Brown, J. Forrest, E. Barlow, T. McLoughlin, J. Homola.



**CRANE OPERATORS — SHIPWAYS** — Left to right, front row: B. Lippincott, L. Barber, H. Leeds, E. Simmons, M. Jason, E. Kennedy, J. Sweet; back row: D. Hess, N. Minnichback, F. Brown, N. McVeigh, G. Fitzpatrick, C. Mitchell, J. Shoemaker.



**FIRST WELDERETTES ON THE WAYS** — Left to right: Evelyn Mallett, Odessa Werner, Edna Wallington, Lucille Gowatz, Nesla Wybieracki, Margie Garrison, Nancy Livingston, June Davenport.



**MEMBERS OF THE SUN SHIP VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY No. 2** gathered at the No. 1 Way Canteen to view motion pictures on fire fighting furnished by the Navy Department.

Doc Reed has more friends now than he knows. Could that thousand bucks have anything to do with it, Doc?

Frank Talley went hunting for turkeys and enjoyed the scenery. He didn't bring any of that back either.

Joe Sage got his bowling eye back. Lead off man on his team had it.

As we go to press, "Hack" Wilson has a 4 to 3 lead over Bill Hart on the football bets. But Bill can't say a word because he led 9 to 1 last year.

Walt Brogan didn't go to see the Army-Notre Dame game this year (first one he has missed) so just for that the "Irish" up and lost 59 to 0.

Fry, Hart, Mosser, Horner and Retting of 66 department, and Jay Schoff of the Personnel went "waaaay" down to Neavitt, Md., to bring home a couple hundred rock fish. They settled for 300 oysters. Seems as if the fish wouldn't co-operate a bit.

Ray Coffin and Wilson along with Harry Franck, of Berthing department, who are "100 proof, grade 'A,' all wool but the buttons" fishermen, tried it the next day from the same boat and caught twice as many. Twice nothin' is still nothin'.



**We Wish to Congratulate:**

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Tuss on the birth of a daughter, Paula Anne, on October 26th. The baby weighed 6 lb. and 4 ozs. Mr. Tuss works in 36 department.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Sollinger on the birth of a son, Richard Glenn, on November 6th. The baby weighed 6 lb. and 8¾ ozs. Mr. Sollinger works in 36 department.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Moccia on the birth of a son. Mr. Moccia is in 66 department.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Swafford on the birth of a son. Mr. Swafford is in 66 department.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bray on the birth of a daughter, Carol Anne. Mr. Bray works in the Electrical Drawing Room, Main Office.

Mr. and Mrs. William L. Thomas on the birth of a son, William L. Jr., on November 13. Mr. Thomas works in 59 department.



## Five More Tankers for Uncle Sam's Victory Fleet



MRS. MARY S. McSHANE, sponsor of the S.S. Champions Hill, and her husband, Frank McShane, Foreman in the Carpenter shop, who has a 26½ year service record.

MRS. HENRY G. SWENEY, wife of Hon. Henry G. Sweney, Court of Common Pleas, Delaware County, sponsored the S.S. Tullahoma.



MRS. LINA MARTIN, wife of Olaf Martin, Dockmaster with nearly 27 years service, sponsored the S.S. Paoli.



MRS. IDA P. MARSICH, wife of Thomas Marsich, Assistant Foreman in the Regulating department, who has been with Sun Ship nearly 21 years, sponsored the S.S. Edge Hill.



MISS JANET N. MENTZER, sponsor of the S.S. Pine Bluff. Miss Mentzer, secretary to Mr. William Craemer, has a 26 year Sun Ship service record.



84 MAINTENANCE, FIRST SHIFT — These are the men in the shop along with A. O'Connor and Mrs. E. Wands who work in the Steel Hardening and Treating room. Mrs. Wands, the only woman in the Plant, is one of the few who know the treating and hardening of steel. All of these men have been with Sun Ship over ten years. Left to right. Kneeling: L. Jillson, B. McKniff, E. Wands; standing: D. Robertshaw, W. Biebas, E. Simpson, A. Soltner, A. O'Connor, S. Hess, R. Stewart, leader, W. Hartz, F. Hopkins, G. Mayer, F. Fowler, and T. Redman.

### MARITIME COMMISSION Headley Bldg.

Frank Cullen has moved his residence from Yeaton to Leedom Estates. Don't know just when the house warming will take place.

Mr. Gerko has been in the University Hospital in Philadelphia for a general check-up. He is now recuperating at his home in Plymouth, Penna., and from his correspondence he is really resting, period. Says he will be the laziest man in the Yard after being off a month.

Dot Cullen is still chairman of the Committee on Hearings and really the most lenient one on the Board. About time for a re-organization meeting, Dot.

Between the three girls here at the office, Misses Cullen, Council and Delaney, they relieve Mr. Wolusky and Gerko of a lot of worries. They are really efficient.

Reporter: D. J. MACK



*Through the Porthole*



May we take this occasion to wish all of you a Merry, Holy Christmas and a Happy, Peaceful New Year.

Don't miss the picture of the G. E. Inspectors shown below. A. Hardy is looking as thin as a board these days.

Did you hear Gus' decoding of L.S.M.F.T? "Let's Start Mentioning a Fifth Term."

Pat Harris is being accused of traitor activities by the boys of Esso.

G. E. Hauck went hunting and to our regret wasn't left holding the bag.

I've got proof of his ability . . . some tender rabbit.

Westinghouse Marks has gone to sea on the La Mesa. That is one ship which has an expert electrician.

Perhaps we should devote some of this column to the G. E. boys whose alert, shining faces you see pictured below.

Mr. Doell has left the employ of the G. E. Co. to work for the city of Vineland, N. J. Headaches originated at the Conner residence Sunday night. Who is the little girl George Noler always leaves the morning paper with? Fred Leinberger has recently been converted from a "wire jerker" to a "valve twister" and now takes his order from Andy Hardy.

Let's not mention bowling to the G.E.



Pfc. **WILLIAM B. CARR**, brother of "Our Yard" Editor Paul Carr, who was with the Fourth Marine Division in its fierce invasions of Roi, Namur, Saipan, and Tinian.



**47 DEPARTMENT OFFICE STAFF, N. Y.** — Left to right, bottom row: R. Brown, J. Brooks, and W. McCain; top row: M. Taylor, E. Carothers, H. Dancer, W. Butler, and E. Winters.



**THESE SMILING FACES** are a few of the key punch operators from the Tabulating dept. Left to right: Marie Descovo, Peggy Tracy, Doris Shank, Kay Joyce, and Dotty Redmile.

boys—it's a touchy topic after their last two pointless nights. Maybe it's because Hardy was out on trial.

Myles Keller, the Esso Inspector is in Italy now and seems to be enjoying it.

With Lambert in England, Belhumor in Egypt and Bylsma in Trinidad, the office is well represented in all the corners of the globe.

Belhumor says:

"Egypt is a funny place. The men wear dresses and women cover their face."

—KELLY MAGROGAN



**FRANCIS P. HOLLAND**, 89 dept., graduated last June from St. James High School where he was developed into an excellent track man.

**LOUISE LONQUIST**, of the Employment dept., has been with Sun Ship since June 1942. Her husband is now serving overseas with the Army.



**G. E. INSPECTORS** — Center front: A. Hardy. Left to right, front row: H. Hauck, C. C. Hsu, Don Brader, G. Nofer, R. Faulkner, W. Krape; second row: J. Woods, D. Shovlin, J. McHugh, G. Scheaffer, R. Nichols; back row: C. Havey, W. Mitchell, J. Conner, W. Cochner, F. Leinberger.



**NORTH YARD WELDING LEADERS AND INSPECTORS** — These men are doing a grand job of supervising the welders in 47 dept. Bottom row: T. Conley, W. Callohan, and W. Penna; top row: S. Kessler, D. Nevin, and D. Webster, assistant foreman.



**LISTENING TO THE NOONTIME BROADCAST.** (Left) — James Duffy, helper in No. 1 Machine shop. "Jimmie" is the father of nine children and has been employed by Sun Ship for nine years and nine months. His son James, Jr., was hospitalized for 2½ years with straphylococcoemia, a rare disease of the blood stream. During that time he received over fifty blood transfusions contributed by the employees of the Sun Ship. (Center) — John Hulme, Machinist Inspector in the Wetherill plant, who has been with Sun for two years and 8 months. His hobbies are hunting, fishing, and his home workshop. (Right) — Valentine (Wally) Stahoski, Shipper and receiver clerk for the storeroom at the Wetherill plant has been with Sun Ship for 16 years. He enjoys photography and gardening.



**NOONTIME MUSIC, INC.** — These are the men who supply Sun Ship with music and news broadcasts every day during the noon lunch hour. Jack Wolfenden is at the microphone and Harvey Rittenhouse at the controls.

On behalf of Sun Ship and its employees "Our Yard" wishes to thank Mr. Rittenhouse for his generosity and kindness in supplying the recorded music for these broadcasts. Owner of more than 1500 recordings, he has supplied the music for the noontime broadcasts since its inauguration here at Sun Ship several years ago. He has been in wireless-telegraphy since 1915 and had the honor of installing the first public address system for Bell Telephone at the Municipal Stadium in Philadelphia at the time of the Sesqui-Centennial. He was also Control Operator at the Stadium on the night of the Dempsey-Tunney fight in 1926.



**INK SPOTS FROM THE HULL DRAWING ROOM**

Greetings for this holiday season are extended to you in the Sun Ship family, and to yours.

Furman Hallman has been convalescing at his home after a major operation. His many friends will be glad to see him back at Sun Ship.

We salute the following men who have entered the armed forces:

- John C. Johnson, U. S. Navy
- James D. Cook, U. S. Navy
- Jack F. Sulger, U. S. Navy

Recent visits from service men included Paul Delehanty from Camp Stewart, Ga. and Ernest Harrison from Puerto Rico. Ernie has been re-assigned to Camp Lejeune.

Three of our local nimrods, Walter Pew, Tim McKay and Jack Petchel sallied forth recently into Montgomery County in search of big game. McKay reports that the game was too fast for him — but finally his big moment arrived. Over the gun sights, he took careful aim! — pulled the trigger! ! — but the gun wasn't loaded! ! !

Anthy Koukedis hit some new high notes

at the British War Relief Concert at the New Century Club on November 11th.

Our best wishes go with Jim Connor in his new field of endeavor.

Norman Paul has been elected to succeed Jim Connor as representative for the Two-Bit Club.

"Tain't funny!" says Joe Clark.—He means missing the Notre Dame-Navy game, after securing the tickets.

Can you identify some of our colleagues by these aliases? A perfect score (and 3 box tops) qualifies you as an aide to Dick Tracy. Here goes: The Green Hornet, Harpo, Effendi, Copleman, Foxy, T-C, Noisy, Chat, Bo-Bo, Big Bub, Fatty and Skinny, Yard Bird and Little Joe.

While strolling along the shore a couple were heard to make the following comments:

He: That ship out there is fast in the mud.

She: How fast would it be in the water?

We extend to you our best wishes for the year 1945.

Reporter: FRANK L. PAVLIK



**TOLERANCE**

*Does it make any difference because of color of skin?*

*Does it make any difference because of name or kin?*

*Is it the way a person talks Or looks or acts or even walks?*

*Or is it the soul, man's steadfast rod, The love and worship of one God, That guides man through the trials of life, Protection in all storm and strife.*

*Is it any religion, creed or race? The shape of a human being's face? Should he be thrust aside for naught, Because of what his birth has wrought?*

*Compare their value, structure, deed, And see what God has so decreed, Not color, race, nor all the rest, But the human heart in a human breast.*

— AL TOFF



**SUN SHIPYARD — 1919** — Only a few years before, the site was a tomato and cabbage patch but within the space of several years, it had been transformed into a modern shipyard. This picture was made with a circuit camera which gives the illusion that the Reading R. R. is curved. Notice that in 1919 there were only five shipways and Sun

— Courtesy of Vice President Richard L. Burke  
Ship had no drydocks. The Main Office had no addition to it which is clear from the picture. Two extensions to "A" building have been made since then. Notice the ball field and stand at extreme right where boilers are now fabricated. The name "ball field" is still used. North, No. 4, and South Yards were not even a dream then.





**EUGENE R. DeNAGEL**, who won first place in the Newsboy War Stamp sales campaign in the New York division and was given the honor of naming the sponsor at a Sun Ship launching, selected his mother, Mrs. Peter M. DeNagel of Newark, N. Y., to christen the craft.

The SS Yellow Tavern was launched at 10:25 A.M., Friday, Oct. 27 in the Central Yard with a large number of newspaper publishers, circulation managers, and government representatives present. Mrs. DeNagel was also presented with a \$1000 War Bond by Sun Ship.

Young DeNagel, who was a newspaper boy for the Rochester Times Union until illness forced him to relinquish his route, sold \$8,926.50 worth of War Stamps. Because of his untiring activities in the national contest which was sponsored by newspaper publishers, he received eight awards and was given the highest honor offered to newspaper boys by the U. S. Treasury Department.

Gene is president of the freshman class in the Newark High School and was awarded the Good Citizenship prize.



**CENTRAL YARD ELECTRICIANS**, who make cable racks are, left to right: J. Detesky, 59 dept., Andrew Cassidy, William Helder, and J. Lindenberg, all of 33 dept.



**ELECTRIC MAINTENANCE, FAB SHOP — NORTH YARD, SECOND SHIFT** — "Prompt and efficient service" is the motto of these boys and they sure live up to it. Front row: Bill Ellis (Crane Repair), and Al Savage; back row: G. Fox, E. Morgan and their smiling leader, Ed Shorr.



**WALLINGFORD CUB PACK No. 86** witnessing the launching of the S.S. Yellow Tavern. First row: Genneth Parks, Jack Branson, James Bryson, Howard Battin, Charles Richards, Allen Robinson, Frank Bryson, Charles Pickett, Andy Fulton, Bob Surrack, Frank Putt, and George Rasmussen. Second row: Bill Kramer, Roy Burg, Mervyn Harris, Bill Burk, John Highberger, Jack Curry, Jack Thompson, Bill Stevens, Jim Cockrane, John Diggins, Robert Stevenson, John Coslett, Mac Sapovitz, Richard Vogel, Sam Hayes, Lee Scuppers, James Hanigan, David Johnson, Glee Duff, James Wursley, Albert Woodward, David Williams, George McGowan, Howard Arrison, and Herman Yeager.



**GUESTS AT THE LAUNCHING OF THE S.S. YELLOW TAVERN** — The boys and their escorts from Chester and vicinity witnessing the Newsboy launching.

## SUN SHIP CAVALCADE CITED AS A TREMENDOUS SUCCESS

The Sun Ship Cavalcade, directed by Bert Waltson, has proven there is lots of hidden talent in our Yard. If there are any entertainers, musicians, or novelty acts who are interested in entertaining in hospitals and camps, they are urged to contact their nearest Personnel Office in the Yard.

The Cavalcade will continue throughout the winter in which they expect to give one performance a week. They have had offers to appear at hospitals and camps within a radius of 150 miles. So far the Cavalcade has given 10 shows to about 5000 men and each has requested them to return again very soon.

Some of our employees who have so graciously contributed their time and talents to this worthy cause are Sun Serenaders, Whitey Eastwood, Tommy Purcell, Peggy McKinney, Willie Turner, Joe Smith, Ruthe Stevens, Barney Hagen, Jane Gallagher, Johnny Hef-ton, Bill Corby, Bert Jackson, Bill Culbreth, Ernie Casse, George Kiwiea, John Uhrine, Sax Gill, Joe Redding, George Weaver, Joseph Sessions, Gloria King, and Eddie Gruen and his North Yard orchestra.

Future performances will be given at the following: Stage Door Canteen, Fort Dix, Coatesville Hospital, Swarthmore Naval Hospital, Phila. Naval Hospital, England General Hospital, Atlantic City, Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Md., Valley Forge General Hospital, Coast Guard Base, Essington, Town Hall Canteen, Philadelphia.



**A MESSAGE FROM THAT GRAND OLD MAN**



The "Old Gentleman" was still his round jolly self with a belly that shook when he laughed like a bowl fully of jelly. But it was noticeable that things were not quite the same. His belt had been taken in a notch or two and there were a few lines on his face that had not been there in other years.

"I remember when I really looked forward to this time of year," said Santa Claus. "My warehouses were full of toys and presents. The place was loaded with electric-trains, autos, toasters, refrigerators, and anything you could name. All I had to do was open my mail, list the requests and turn them over to the supply department. Everyone, poor and rich, young and old, was taken care of. Now my shelves are pretty empty and my chief Elf comes in with the list of complaints. No metal, no wood, no glass, no straw, and no wheels. Many of my Elves have left for war plants, not that I object to that, but I have a definite labor problem. But we're doing the best we can and everyone will be taken care of in some manner or other.

"And what a delivery problem we have. Our boys and girls are scattered over the face of the globe. Some missing, some in fox-holes and some deliveries returned with a gold-star on them."

The old gent paused to wipe away a tear that trickled down his cheek.

"I remember my first Christmas at Sun Ship," he continued, "there were only a

few of us. Our family was small. Some of us are still around and some have crossed over the great divide. We were a proud happy bunch, we had created a shipyard from a wilderness. And each year our family grew to amazing proportions and our territory spread out. Imagine having 35,000 children in my group and all at Sun last year. I told Mr. Pew, Sr., that I just couldn't get over the change that 27 years had made.

"It was a grand spirit here each year. The boys were gay, they pocketed their Christmas check which 'Sun' never failed to give them, and trudged home to make the tree and presents ready. Dad, Mom, and the children gathered around on Christmas Eve and it did my heart good. Well, now Junior is away, and Sis also. Mom is pretty tired from working at the Yard, and both miss the kids. Little Joey thinks of his Dad somewhere in the Pacific.

"But war or no war, the spirit of Christmas will fill the air and the world will ring out with the praise of Our Lord. The family will gather around for dinner and the empty chairs will be filled with best wishes.

"And from the boys and girls I have a Christmas gift for all of you. It is a message reading:

"Thanks for the wonderful job you have done at home. Keep working, keep trying, and keep the spirit of hope bright in your heart. And with all of us pulling together maybe we'll be home for Christmas 1945."

The "Old Gent" stopped to think a moment. And then, "My gift to the boys is the assurance that we'll never let them down in any respect. We'll buy bonds, avoid the black-market, give blood, and work harder next year for Victory. And remember—

"Our cause it is just  
Let this be our motto  
In God be our trust."

"Well, so long son, I have some overseas gifts for early delivery. Merry Christmas to You and God Bless You All."

—SID ROBINSON



**EXPEDITORS, NORTH YARD, THIRD SHIFT —**  
Left to right: Rudy "Flat Top" Pitelli and Bill "Rolly Polly" Flocco.



**WILLIAM BURK** has been with Sun Ship for two years and works in 34 dept. His son, Major Frank Burk, a former employee, recently received both the Bronze and Silver Stars for "Gallantry in Action".

**CLARENCE ROSS**, who served his apprenticeship at the Wetherill plant, worked there for 14 years. He has spent the last 11½ years in 36 Machine shop, second shift. A nephew, Howard Warren, 59 dept., S. Y., is in an anti-aircraft artillery outfit.



**86 DEPARTMENT  
First-Aid North Yard**

Can you wash one hand and not the other? This unusual feat was displayed in Dispensary and we enjoyed the performance very much.

Anne has a specialty these days—she does very well with Chinese.

An extraordinary request—A man wanted "instant" medicine to cure him instantly.

Our "number's racket" has caused quite a bit of comment. So far about twenty-five theories have been advanced as to the reason for it. Your guess is as good as ours. Seriously though, anyone who is injured should report to Dispensary. Don't let giving your number frighten you away. A machinist leader has given us a new name because of this—"Our birds in a gilded cage."

Incidentally Arva has started on a new skim milk and crackers diet. No more sprained hands.

Herbie is real industrious these days. He is getting to be quite a horticulturist.







Starting with this issue we will have an article each month on activities of the Emergency First Aid Detachments.

**DEFINITION OF FIRST AID**

First Aid is the immediate temporary treatment given in the case of accident or sudden illness before the services of a physician can be secured.

**OUR DETACHMENT**

Members of our First Aid Detachments have been trained to do just that and are known **BY THEIR GREEN AND WHITE EMBLEM—GET ACQUAINTED.** Unfortunately, however, the first aid man is not always near the scene of an accident. The injured person at such times may suffer additional injury at the hands of well meaning but inexperienced men. Usually the men want to rush the victim immediately to the dispensary. Quick, gentle transportation is important but should be postponed until the victim has been examined for serious injuries.

The more serious injuries include: Arterial bleeding, suffocation and fractures. Workers suffering such injuries must receive immediate care before being moved. In the case of severe bleeding, the source should be located and the bleeding stopped. In suffocation, breathing has stopped and means must be used to restore it. When fractures of bones are apparent or suspected, the parts affected must be immobilized, particularly, in the case of a fall where there is a possibility of a broken neck or back. In such cases permanent disability or death may result from improper handling.

When the patient has been prepared for transportation, he is placed into or on a basket or stretcher. If basket is used, as on the shipways, he must be carefully strapped in and carried to the ground by crane. Under no consideration is anyone to ride the basket with him. If it is necessary to allay his fears, carry him off by manpower.

In all serious cases the dispensary should be notified, if possible, beforehand.

The promotion of safety is the first principle of first aid and is constantly in the minds of all first aid men.

**MANY THANKS TO**

Howard Rolls, No. 65-447, South Yard, for his quick application of artificial respiration on E. Russell who was overcome by gas in the hold of a ship in South Yard.

Reporter: **BEN KNEEDLER**



(Above) — **JOHN G. PEW, JR.** and **W. LAMONT WILLIAMS** formerly of 30 dept., and now a sergeant in the Free French Air Force, speaking to the men in No. 4 Yard on Thursday, October 12.

(Left) — Sgt. Williams smiles as many of his fellow workers of the fairer sex crowd around him following his talk.

**88 DEPARTMENT**

J. Randolph is out sick. We wish him a quick return because the squad really misses him. He has been on the squad two years and was in 80 department, before his transfer. Randolph is better known as "Rev."

Since Louis Slade has won the election, he now has buckled down to winning the war. The boys know him as "Yardbird, Snuffy Smith."

We hope the "pea green" Cadillac will be out and doing fine by next second shift.

"Eagle Eye" Clint Johnson is still at the main gate, much to the workers regret.

Captain Saddler and his co-workers of Squad "A" are well pleased with the new addition to their squad who is proving to

be a very efficient desk clerk. She is Minnie Walder of Chester and we wish her much success.

We welcome to the Number 4 Yard guard force, Mr. Sheppard, who has joined Capt. Davis' squad.

We are glad to have Guard Holmes back after several weeks illness.

Guard Clayton received news of a promotion for his son, Willie Clayton, Jr., who is now in the Army and was formerly in 58 department of Number 4 Yard. Advice to Guard Clayton: "Beware of 67 department." Enough said.

Note to Guard Collins: All concerned would appreciate a notice of your next adventure, or is it that you never know when you are starting on one?

Reporter: **M. WALDEN**



**THREE CHARMING CENTRAL YARD WELDERETTES** choosing sponsors for the November launchings. Left to right: T. Roshong, E. Safkevich, H. Kostyk.



**VERLA NEAL, 59** dept., who was among the first group of girls to work on the third shift, with her cousin, Verla Aikin.

*36 Department  
(N. Y.)  
Fourth Annual  
Banquet*



**SPEAKERS' TABLE**— Left to right: A. Hess, Shop foreman, 36 dept., North Yard; William Evans, foreman, 36 dept., North Yard; John Pew Jr., Vice President; George Amrhein, asst. foreman and toastmaster; George A. Carney, Superintendent of Engineering; James Mackie, Chief Operating Engineer; Pat Daily, foreman 36 dept., No. 4 Yard; and "Spike" Urban, foreman, 36 dept., South Yard.



Approximately 200 Sun Ship workers and invited guests attended 36 department's (North Yard) Fourth Annual Banquet at the Elks' Home at 5th and Welsh Streets, on November 9th.

Besides the full course turkey dinner, served by McAllister's, an eight-act floor show added to the evening's entertainment. The music was supplied by musicians from the Yard. Amid the splendid turnout nearly every department in the North Yard was represented.

(Left, top) **EAST SECTION** of the room.

(Left, below) **WEST SECTION** of the room.



**DRAMATIC REUNION** of a youthful Marine, Pfc. Donald Wilson, who had been shot by a Jap sniper on Guam, with his mother, Mrs. Hector Wilson, a Sun Ship welder, was staged several weeks ago in the lobby of the main building. Donald had not informed his parents that he had been given a leave, planning

to surprise them. He did. When Mrs. Wilson saw her son, she gave a cry of joy and in a moment the young Marine was hugging his mother. At home the Marine, who has almost completely recovered, greeted his father and sister, Betty, and the surprise was complete.

**RECENT GUESTS ON "SWEET LAND OF LIBERTY"** are, left to right, Harold Barr, Chief Expeditor for the Purchasing dept., John Kluka, South Yard Berthing, Charles Wing, Copper shop, Central Yard, and Merritt C. Brown, Chipper and Caulier, No. 4 Yard.



**EXPEDITORS, NORTH YARD, 2nd SHIFT**— No matter how small a bracket may be it can't hide from Milt and Charlie, they'll find it. Note that Sherlock Holmes expression on both faces.







**SUN SHIP'S COOPERATION IN WAR BOND AND WAR STAMP DRIVES** was featured when a Detroit woman munitions worker christened the S.S. Lone Jack in the North Yard. She was Mrs. Henry Bruwier, mother of Donald Bruwier, 13-year old Detroit newsboy who won the mid-west championship for selling War Stamps. The lad sold 31,600 ten-cent stamps. He was greeted by Mayor Ralph Swarts and other Chester notables as well as a delegation from the Newsboys' Association of Philadelphia. John G. Pew, Jr. (left) presided at the launching.



**42 AND 47 DEPT. MAINTENANCE MEN** — Left to right: W. Taylor, E. Tuckerman, J. Burza, and A. Smedley, leader.



**BEDAUX CLERKS AND CHECKERS** — Left to right: A. Stansbury, S. Hess, J. Zimmerman, A. Davis, leader, and F. Giles.

**91 DEPARTMENT**

A very nice party was held at the home of Hilda Bonsall on Hallowe'en night. Hilda entertained the following guests from the Wage Adjustment: Mr. and Mrs. Larry Wroten and daughter, Betty, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Lou Lenny, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bishop, Ernie Kaye, Marie Oreal, Estelle Jack, Roslyn Rennett, Mary Ross, Ed Bell and Shirley Bonsall. Mary Ross entertained with her egg and coffee table trick. A buffet lunch was served which every one enjoyed.

Harry Bishop and Florence Oliver were married in the Trinity Methodist Church of Chester in a double ring ceremony recently. Ruth Oliver, a sister of the bride, was maid of honor and the bridesmaids were Josephine Denmark, Evelyn Sidner and Lois Long. The best man was Harry Bishop, Sr., and the ushers were George Hess, Clarence Tindall, and Ernest Harrington. The two ring bearers were Bunce Pierce and Walter Buckley III. The flower girl was Sally Pierce. Mr. and Mrs. Bishop spent a two week vacation in the

Poconos, then returned to their new home in Prospect Park.

George Burns and Jerry Wentland with their families spent a recent week-end visiting their former homes in Scranton, Pa. George said that he visited Big Mike and that he was royally entertained and that the Spruce Street Bridge has been opened to traffic.

Gertrude Grieco sponsored the launching of the gray boat this week. Her guests of honor were: Gertrude Williams, Margo Howley and Marguerite Lykens.

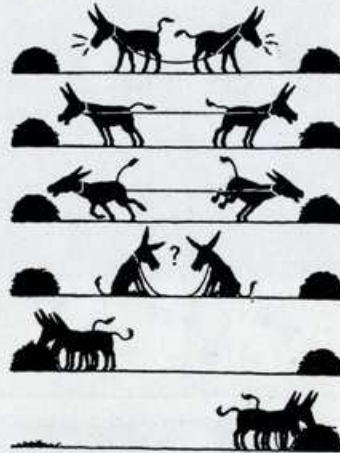
Dan Every is being ably assisted by Millie Del Vacchio and Gertrude Nasadon.

Marion Reddington opened her child's piggy bank to buy bus tokens and was the operator happy with all those pennies?

No matter where you look in the contract room you see a Miss Phillips—they just seem to grow on you.

Caroline MacCrone has been on the sick list for the past three weeks, and everyone hopes for her speedy recovery and early return to work.

ED BELL



**TIMEKEEPERS AND CLERKS UNDER No. 2 WAY** — Left to right: Jerome Hevey, Ralph Reskovitz, Esther Marvel, Anne L. Cox, Samuel M. Edmiston, Hazel Turner, and Kay Talarico.



**33 SHOP GIRLS** — Left to right: H. Kasprovicz, J. Gaudiello, M. Rhoades, R. Dalton, I. Boyle, A. Grayuski and G. Foley.

## 36 MACHINISTS

We were sorry to note that among recent casualties overseas was Paratrooper Bob Hemminger, formerly of 59 department. We all join his father, Bruce, of 36 department, in sincerely hoping that he is not seriously injured.

We also have information that the following boys from here are hospitalized overseas for injuries or sickness. Bill Draper, Jr., formerly of 47 department, son of our veteran crane operator, Bill Draper. Frank Schmuicki, formerly of 47 department, and Henry Dychala, formerly of 36 department. We sincerely hope and pray these boys, along with all the other sick and wounded boys over there will be blessed with complete and speedy recovery.

Ben Dychala writes from Gulfport, Mississippi and informs us that he is studying at the Basic Eng. School there. He expressed disappointment at not making Machinist Mate as he had hoped, but says he is digging right in and making the most of it. We predict that Ben will succeed wherever he may be placed. He expressed surprise and pleasure at having met some former 36 department boys down there, mentioning Big Andy Anderson, Sam Emmi, Bob Yost, or as he is known here "Jacking Gear" Yost. How

about some of you fellows dropping Ben a line?

Tom Glendening, Pharm., U.S.N.R., writes from China telling of being transferred to a new camp. The change required 31 days traveling by rail, trucks, Sampans, and the last 25 miles on foot, there being no other means of travel available. He says the trucks they used were of charcoal burning variety and to him it is still a mystery how they ever managed to get over the mountains, like they did. Bad tires and no spares meant many stops and the average speed was about 10 miles an hour. He spent six days and nights on Sampans. This part of the trip, says Tom, could have been a real treat had it not been for the extreme heat, a crowded condition and worst of all, the large Sampans were thoroughly infested with man-eating vermin. He says their present location is very beautiful being situated on top of a mountain, yet in a valley, as they are completely surrounded by higher mountains and a giant bamboo forest. Tom says he had a lesson in fishing over there—an entirely new method (to him) being used to great advantage. The natives who fish have about 10 cormorants, large birds resembling a penguin with metal rings around their neck to prevent their swallowing the fish. These birds dive into the river, catch a fish and deposit it in the boat and Tom says that

the size and number of fish thus obtained is amazing. One of the most pleasant surprises they had was when they reserved some recreation equipment from the Red Cross. Baseballs, bats and gloves, dart boards, ping pong, horseshoe games, and some books. These articles were all the more appreciated because of the difficulty in delivery—25 miles by foot. Johnny Miller writes to let us know that he has been shipped closer to the fireworks, being now in the Marianas. Says they are still clearing out snipers there and have to exercise great caution but they are very well guarded while doing this work. He is in a Bomb squadron and likes his work there. He derives much pleasure and enjoyment from "Our Yard" which he receives regularly and will sure be glad when he gets back to Sun Ship again. So will we, Johnny.

The Navy has gained and Sun Ship's 36 department has lost another member of the outside machinists in the person of "Yule" Wojciehowski. "Yule" formerly worked with the Engineers and was inducted October 18th. He is now stationed at Sampson, New York for boot training. He is a brother of Ed. Wojciehowski, formerly of 60 department, who is also in the Navy, and at present, on one of the ships which was built in No. 4 Yard. Another brother, Charlie, is in 36 department, in the Main Engine gang. He did some good cartooning for "Our Yard" under the name de plume, "C. Walker." Due to the varied experience he has had in the operation of engines, Yule will no doubt become a member of the "Black Gang" in Uncle Sam's Navy. We wish him lots of luck and trust that he may soon be with us again. Among those off sick is our old friend, Al "Slim" Mackubin, who has been hospitalized. We hope that he will again be back on the job.

36 department takes this opportunity to wish one and all Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year with a fervent prayer for those boys and girls who are serving our Country today in dangerous places and who, because of war, are separated from their loved ones at this Christmas time.

Reporter: R. GLENDENING



Pvt. D. ROBERTSON, serving in the U. S. Army. His father, James Robertson, works in the Wetherill plant. Donald, now a prisoner of war, is interned at Osaka, Japan.



33 DEPT. TEMPORARY LIGHTS, WELDING AND CRANE REPAIR — McLaughlin and his boys. There is no tie-up when they are on the job.



SOUTH YARD SHELL AND CASTING GANG — Left to right, back row: J. Sweeney, G. Smith, R. McGlade, and H. Mackenzie; front row: C. Hall and J. Anderson.



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**6<sup>TH</sup>  
WAR  
LOAN**

**SUN SHIP DRIVE  
ENDS DECEMBER 16**



No one can tell whether our war in Europe will be won and ended this year. One thing we do know certainly: the cost of it will not end with Germany's surrender. In the Pacific, we can be sure that the road to Tokyo will prove long and arduous; we cannot yet reckon its cost in lives and dollars but we are certain it will not be cheap. We are still faced with the task of raising huge sums to prosecute our war relent-

lessly wherever on the globe an enemy remains with a gun in his hands. This is a time for grim realism and unflagging zeal. In the Sixth War Loan campaign we must hammer away on the warning note: *We have not yet won. Stand to your guns!* Our fighting men will never fail us; you on the War Bond front will not fail them. Victory will be ours; let us hasten the day.

*Henry Morgenthau, Jr.*



