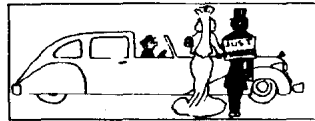


PRESIDENT'S COLUMN



WEDDINGS

Aero Service has frequent visitors, often from long distances, to inspect our work and our facilities. Most of these folks, making a close inspection of our varied products, are somewhat amazed by the number of things we do to exacting standards, and I wonder how many of our employees know about the problems and work in departments other than their own. You can find the people in the Drafting Room and in Kelley's roving Field Engineers an exactness of objective which is met in hard work in San Salvador as well as the Drafting Room. You will find this same sort of exactness in our Machine Shop, in the Magnetometer Division, and in our Flight Section. It would be a good thing for more of us to know what the other people are doing, and I urge an occasional look-see and inspection of one department's work by those from another any time they can get together.



During the past month, Col. Clark and Major Dalrymple of the Army Engineers, assigned to Princeton University for work in photogrammetry, have spent considerable time in our plant studying our procedures, especially in the Brock Department, and a letter of interest especially to those in that Department from Major Dalrymple is printed below, showing the nice job we did for these folks:

"Dear Mr. Kauffman:

"I wish to extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to you and the members of Aero Service Corporation for making my recent visit to your plant both enjoyable and informative.

"You have indeed a fine organization. The courtesy and efficiency displayed by your people during various explanations of production processes was truly impressive. Everyone with whom I spoke seemed enthusiastic about his work.

"Again, many thanks. With best personal regards,

Sincerely yours,

(signed) Robert W. Dalrymple"



Coming in from a cold flight from Baltimore the other day, we got into the edge of our hangar at lunchtime, and the closer we got, the sweeter a bit of music from the hangar sounded! Bob Scott, evidently a cornet player of ability, was sounding off on a much battered piece of brass, with George Maisenhalter keeping up with him to perfection on the string side. There must be other musical folks in Aero Service hidden behind their work, and the next time we have a party with Marie Lump at the piano and the rest of our musical artists scattered around, there should really be some fun!

To avoid having the third editor in a row hanged in effigy, we take this opportunity to belatedly announce the wedding of one of our South American personnel, namely Big Ros. His spouse, formerly Rene House, is an employee of Caribbean Petroleum Company. Her parents are English. Her



father is also a member of the British Parliament. We hope that our neglect in announcing this event will not cause any international repercussions, but even of more importance, we hope that Rene and Ros will overlook our negligence in this matter and be assured that we wish all of the best for two of the best. We might add that it shouldn't be too long before Ros will be showing his wife the wonders of Narberth.



MAGNETOMETER

This month Homer Jensen left for a business trip in the Southwest proceeding from that area to the scene of our Bahamas operation. Recent reports from him indicate that the survey is proceeding as planned. An interruption in their schedule took place when the plane flew to Brownsville, Texas for an engine change. Fortunately, the plane had left the Nassau area prior to the recent large hurricane.

The PBV has returned after completing a successful three months survey in Canada. Despite an engine change in the Bush and a severe storm resulting in control service damage, the plane performed well after Dr's. Scott, Gilroy, Irwin, Dulin and Ganfield completed repairs under most trying circumstances.

During the course of the survey, Dave Leeds did an excellent job in keeping our data straightened out in facilitating work for the flight crews and in keeping a flow of data on the way to the home office.

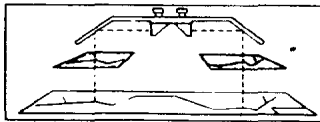
Sharon Scott was particularly glad to be back

Pappy Muse and Bob Anderson left the PBY crew in Canada to proceed to Nassau to assist with the Bahama survey.

Bill Allen paused just long enough on his return to pack his suitcase and catch the plane to Colorado "To Marry that Girl." Congratulations Bill. We are looking forward to meeting Mrs. Allen.

The AT-11 crew of Morgan, Lybrand, Hall, Mullen, and Crause returned early last month from a survey in Kentucky. The plane and magnetometer equipment was prepared for a project in Michigan which started the latter part of September.

We were mighty pleased when Frank Yates, our critic and adviser on drafting techniques, on a recent visit congratulated Anne Wilson and Betty Oswald on the excellence of the inking job they've done on our final maps.



ENGINEERING

Helen Salmon says she is so thrilled. She's going to have a brush demonstration in two weeks. It's nothing to get all excited about. I know. I've been getting the brush for years.

Mario Mestichelli was asked why he always wore that puzzled look around the bowling alley. "I don't know whether to use my right hand or my left hand," he said. Then a big smile lit up his face, "Gee, if I could only use both my hands at once I'd be right in there."

Harry Stevens says, "Bring on a cold winter. I've built a fireplace big enough to hold the Chicago fire. Of course, if we have a warm winter, I may rent it out as an apartment." (That's a hot one).

Ed Gresko just finished a reconversion job on his coupe'. "The motor's a little tight," he says. "I have three storage batteries on the seat alongside of me to kick her over. But my wife is starting to complain. She hates riding out on the running board."

The noses of the hayfever boys, i.e. Hackett, Lee, Korman, Collins, Yates, and Tad, may be seen to be dripping less this year. Love them little pills.

George Stanley and Bill Sebastian were seen snarling, growling and looking real vicious at each other. When asked if they were on the outs they replied, "Oh no, we're just warming up for the World Series."

Rube Gordon returned from his vacation minus ye olde grille of his new Chevvy. He says, "I'm minding my own business following this guy down the road, when all of a sudden he backs into me. Now you know that ain't right." (Yeah Rube, we know that ain't right.)

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If your faucet drips
And you can't slumber
Call for Roback
The master plumber

After a hectic summer in the Stock Room in the rear of the building, the Sales Department is now deeply grateful to Ed Brown and Company for the new offices. The soothing eye-rest green, plus the fact that we now have room for a customer to walk in all at one time will undoubtedly cause a rapid increase in sales volume.

The traveling salesmen -- and they do travel, some far, some near. Hodell in Venezuela for the fourth time; Hess in Montana and Colorado; Dando in Minnesota; Kirk in Maine (and Long Island); MacKay in Toms River and at Gimbel Bros. (Planning Exhibit).

George Hess, as of September 17, is in the domestic class -- he arrived that day with a complete set of tools -- hammer, saw, screw driver, and chisel. Much grief is in store, we fear, because our George is quite a novice at all except the last-mentioned tool. Hope you enjoy your new home, George.

Ed Schuch, our Chief Engineer and Estimator, returned from a pleasant trip to Missouri where he had a successful "dove" shooting spree -- he must have had a very good haul as is evidenced by the weight he lost swinging around so fast to catch the next flight.

The absence of Tom Kirk on Thursdays has been very noticeable lately -- he always manages a sales trip about this time of the week -- it seems it would be less expensive to stay away from Bowling than to make his usual trip thru the plant paying off on Friday morning.

Since the duck season is open in the Twin City Region, Dando continually refers to the calendar and puts the pressure on Ed Schuch for estimates so that he can make a few sales contacts in this territory before the ducks go in Hess' territory.

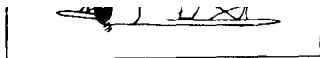
All summer Don MacKay gave us his usual line -- "Don't tell me your troubles, I've got troubles of my own." We discovered just recently that his "troubles" were a swarm of bees that invaded his home and stayed for some time, long enough to teach him the art of dishing out the sweet line to his customers.

Our Ruth has started knitting "big things" -- one of them is a pearl-gray sweater which she hopes will fit that man from "Jarsey". We think this is a very convenient color -- as his hair may take on that "distinguished look" before she finishes it.

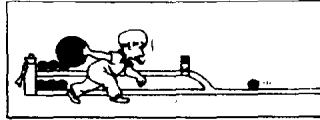
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Our cordial welcome to the following new employees:

Marjorie Baker - Magnetometer
Charles Erickson - Shop
John Marsh - Magnetometer
Henrietta Pfeffer - Magnetometer
Jewelle Rabinowitz - Magnetometer
Robert Reckeweg - Magnetometer
Carolyn Scheer - Accounting Office
William Schwinger - Magnetometer
Elizabeth Smith - Magnetometer
Virginia Ward - Magnetometer



You can see from the following information that our pilots and photographers really get around. Some of them must like their locations because, as you will note, they have not moved since last issue of Prop Wash. Harris and Decker are still in Bellingham, Washington; Stinchfield and Moore from Portland, Ore. to Ely, Nevada; Stoll and Turner still in Hibbing, Minn.; Thomae and Quinn from Fitchburg, Mass. to California; Woolnough and Slack in Philadelphia. Canadian crews of Allen, Canfield, Dulin, Irwin, Leeds, Peterson, and Scott have returned, Muse continued on to Nassau.



SPORTS

With three weeks' bowling gone by the wayside, the race is very close. Only two games separate the sixth place team from the first. The team and individual scores show a vast improvement over last years. There probably was a lot of practicing done during the summer months. This means that when they start toppling the pins a little later in the season, you are apt to see some real good scores.

The make-up team of which Bob Banks is captain has gotten off to a poor start, but they will sure cause a lot of trouble starting next week when team averages are used. For those who have not heard, here are the circumstances under which they joined our league. When the Magnetometer team decided to withdraw their entry, the league was in a bad spot. With only seven teams and no prospects of another, it appeared as though the league may fold up. Then a couple league officers got together and made a final do or die effort to secure men for for the necessary 8th team. The men who now bowl on that team when first approached were very skeptical about the whole thing, but when told of the dire need of bowlers, consented to bowl sooner than see the league fold up. They may be low on scores and last in the standings, but they are tops in optimism and spirit. To this team, the rest of the league extends their thanks and good luck.

The standings and high scores for the first three weeks of the season are as follows:

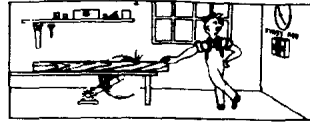
Team	W	L	%	High (1)	High (3)
White Sox	8	4	667	750	2202
Browns	8	4	667	682	2022
Indians	7	5	583	775	2189
A's	7	5	583	791	2265
Senators	7	5	583	709	2058
Tigers	6	6	500	754	2059
Yankees	4	8	333	729	2039
Red Sox	1	11	083	671	1871

	High (1)		High (3)		High (Aver)
Hoffman	201	Hoffman	521	Hoffman	166
Willa	200	E. Dupuy	521	Wilson	162
H. Crouthamel	197	Haug	515	Lee	160

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The family of Gordon Kitching is convalescing at their home in Sharon Hill following an accident in which their car was demolished. Returning from Atlantic City last week, they were struck by a freight train at the Industrial Highway crossing at

the hospital. Best wishes for a speedy recovery of all, Gordon.

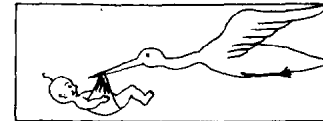


SHOP

There has been for some time a game of volley ball played each noontime by members of the machine shop. They are trying to run a par with baseball players that are breaking windows by knocking down fences every few games. They also have a little trouble with teamwork when the twins play.

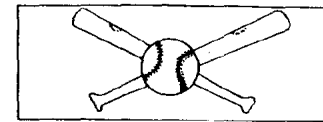
The fellow (guess who?) that takes the screens down in December and puts the storm sash up in March has nothing in common with the maintenance men who have been trying to get heat in the buildings with our recent cold snap.

Charles Stach, brother of Stach in the Drafting Department, is going back to college after working this summer in the machine shop. His talents will be missed and the boys are looking forward to his return upon completion of school.



BIRTHS

The Joseph Reisers, girl, Rickey Ellen
The Leonard Josephs, boy, Ronald
The John Couchs, boy



SPORTS

The 1947 Softball season was brought to a close on September 19 with a game that eliminated Magnetometer from the play offs for the championship which are now under way. A win would have put them in third place, but the game ended in a tie, so Aero remained in third and qualified for the play offs.

This final game was typical of the games that were played this year. Both teams were trying hard, and O'Malley had his team fighting all the way, but time ran out on them and cut off a rally that might have won the game. Graphite was assured of second place, so the outcome of the game meant nothing to them, but they played as though they had money on the game.

So, the world series starts with Graphite playing Aero three games, the winner meeting Drafting who finished in first place. The Drafting team finished strong after overtaking Aero who led the league in early season but faltered and never made up the lost ground. Graphite showed improvement and clinched second place by playing better than 500 ball. Injuries and an ever changing outfield kept Aero from measuring up to their promised form, but they will probably be a strong team in the play off. The Magnetometer team came into the league with a late franchise and had difficulty in getting into shape. They later developed a strong team but production schedules sent some of their men away from Philadelphia when they were needed most.

	Drf.	Grp.	Aer.	Mgn.	W	L	Tie	Ave.
Drafting	X	9	10	8	27	14	3	661
Graphite	7	X	9	4	20	19	5	513
Aero	6	6	X	3	15	23	5	395
Magnetometer	1	4	4	X	9	15	5	375

Here are batting averages of each team with the three top sluggers on each.

<u>Drafting</u>	.359	<u>Aero</u>	.339
Kilroy	.510	Jablonski	.376
Storms	.457	Gazak	.364
McLaughlin	.400	Jewell	.358
<u>Graphite</u>	.333	<u>Magnetometer</u>	.310
Stanley	.400	Miller	.468
Fee	.385	O'Malley	.418
Guiles	.375	Valentine	.375

The regular pitchers compiled the following records:

<u>Drafting</u>	W.	L.	Tie	<u>Aero</u>	W.	L.	Tie
Hackett	14	5	1	Jewell	11	15	2
Scheliga	9	7	2	Vollmer	3	4	2
<u>Graphite</u>				<u>Magnetometer</u>			
Haug	10	3	1	Valentine	7	9	2
Gayner	6	6	2	Hall	1	2	2
Miller	2	5	0				

The Oldtimers tried it once again, and once again they bowed to the Youngsters. This time the score ended 6-5, so the old fellows felt they gave them a scare even if they couldn't win. Scheliga and Gayner both pitched good games, and Gazak came up with a couple of beautiful plays to keep the old men back on their heels. With the Hot Stove League about to open, the Oldtimers will have to be content with stories of the snappy team that burned up the T.V.A. league in Chattanooga back in 1935. (and finished in last place).

PROP WASH ALL-STAR TEAM

The Softball League produced a number of good ball players this year, so Prop Wash has conducted a poll among the ball players to determine their selections for an all-star team. All regular players voted, the choice being limited to a definite position for each player. The position for

The Prop Wash ALL-Star Team for 1947

1st base	Sebastian	(Graphite)
2nd base	Gazak	(Aero)
3rd base	Kilroy	(Drafting)
SS	McLaughlin	(Drafting)
Outfield	Fee	(Graphite)
Outfield	Eckardt	(Drafting)
Outfield	Walthes	(Magnetometer)
Catcher	Storms	(Drafting)
Pitcher	Hackett	(Drafting)
Pitcher	Vollmer	(Aero)
Pitcher	Gaynor	(Graphite)

An additional poll to determine the most valuable player was also conducted. All players voted, and their decision gives the award of most valuable player of 1947 to Bill McLaughlin of Drafting.

In addition to the above results, there were a number of write-in votes which were almost unanimous:

Most Valuable Score Keeper - Stan Town
Most Valuable Rooter - Helen Salmon

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Gordon Kitching was late to work Monday because he got lost, as he says, in the "catechisms" under City Hall.



FIELD SURVEY

Survey personnel had a grand reunion this past week. Red Dupuy, Bob Shinaman, and Bob Snedeker were back from northeastern Quebec, and Foster Curtiss returned from El Salvador. Woody Malot and Wes Eldridge with his new trailer were preparing for their trip to Virginia. Only the two Bills (O'Connor and Diehl) were missing -- sweating out the hurricane in the Bahamas.

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On Friday, September 26, Mr. John Bemrose of Shell Company of Bahamas, Ltd. visited our Philadelphia office. Mr. Bemrose, who is chairman of the Technical Committee representing the oil companies participating in the Bahamas Magnetometer Survey, was here to discuss preparations for completion of certain of our survey data on the Bahamas job at our Philadelphia office.

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We wish to extend our sympathy to John Miller on the death of his Mother.