

NEWS LETTER

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KIRK EARNS "E" PENNANT

Morris P. Kirk & Son, Los Angeles, was awarded the Army-Navy "E" flag for "high achievement in the production of war equipment" at formal ceremonies April 4.

This latest award marks the eighth time units of the Company have received Army-Navy recognition. American Bearing Corp., Indianapolis, won the "E" pennant in September 1942 and on four occasions since then has been given a white star to place on its flag. Magnesium Reduction Co., earned the "E" in February 1944 and was awarded its first star in September 1944.

CINCINNATI BRANCH APPOINTMENT

S. R. Hollingsworth has been made sales manager of the metal division of Cincinnati Branch. He had been assistant sales manager.

LEWIS SALESMAN RESIGNS

After covering the Virginia territory for John T. Lewis & Bros. Co. for the past 20 years, Angus P. Gunn has resigned to enter business as a partner in the firm of F. V. Gunn & Co., Inc., Richmond, Va.

ROSE GETS ASTM POST

Carlton H. Rose, head of the paint and pigment departments of the Research Laboratories, has been elected a member of the Executive Committee of the American Society for Testing Materials.

THREE COMPANY VETERANS DIE IN MARCH

James L. Platt, 78, cashier at St. Louis Branch at the time of his retirement in August 1932, died March 2. Mr. Platt's employment with the Company dates from September 1885 when he went to work at the Southern Works. About 20 years later he joined the sales force of St. Louis Branch and in 1907 moved to the accounts payable department. He was made cashier in 1931.

Joseph Henry, 84, who at the time of his retirement in October, 1933, was cashier of John T. Lewis & Bros. Co., died March 10 in Philadelphia. Mr. Henry, a life-long resident of that city, started work with Lewis when he was thirteen. His employment thus covered a span of 59 years.

Charles C. Del Curo, 79, who was superintendent of the paint factory of Pacific Coast Branch for 39 years prior to his retirement in 1932, died March 29 after a lingering illness. Mr. Del Curo began work with the Bass Paint Co. in 1893, continuing as paint factory superintendent after the merger of Bass with the Hueter Varnish Works and the later consolidation of Bass-Hueter with National Lead Co.

RECIPIENTS OF WATCH CERTIFICATES DURING MARCH

The following employees completed twenty-five years of service with the Company during the month of March and were awarded certificates:

Alex Damm	- Atlantic	Adele M. Vesper	- General Offices
Louis Haslach	- "	Jos. W. Chmielewski	- Magnus
George A. Tyrell	- "	Angelo Capritto	- St. Louis
Vincent Kotowski	- Chicago	Clarence Wilson	- St. Louis S. & R. Co.
		Rollie H. Shields	- Cincinnati

RESEARCH LABORATORIES FORM 25-YEAR CLUB

Following the suggestion of Research Director Alex Stewart, an active Twenty-Five Year Club has been formed by eligibles at the Brooklyn laboratories. Charter members, named in length-of-service order, are: H. W. Brummer (elected Sec'y), George Hiers, W. W. McDonough, Clyde Mills, Walter Brown, George Dickman (elected Pres.), B. E. Schubert, A. B. Perry (elected Treas.).

LT. A. W. SCOTT JR., LONG MISSING, REPORTED KILLED

Reported as missing in action in October 1943, Lt. A. W. Scott Jr., son of A. W. Scott, Pacific Coast Branch director of white lead and oxide sales, was reported killed in official word received by Mr. Scott on March 27. It was hoped that Lt. Scott had parachuted to safety with other crew members who were forced to leave their disabled bomber after a mission over Germany.

1813 EMPLOYEES HAVE ENTERED ARMED FORCES

Including the eleven new names below, 1813 employees have entered active military service to date. This total is equal to nearly 25 per cent of the normal number of persons employed by the Company. Approximately 8 per cent of the 1813 have returned to work after completing their tours of duty, and almost 2 per cent have made the supreme sacrifice.

ATLANTIC BRANCH

Paul Wickolan - Army

RESEARCH LABORATORIES

Herman Barondess - AAF

John S. Wiedzielski - Navy

Ephraim A. Schaefer - AAF

TITANIUM DIVISION-N.Y.

Ernest F. Stephanick - Navy

ST. LOUIS BRANCH

Paul G. Fowler - Army

Sam C. Gray - Navy

Howard W. Kaseberg - Navy

ST. LOUIS SMELTING & REF. CO.

Tony W. Beets - *

Earl L. Dunford - *

Raymond F. Hill - *

* Branch of service not known

The following tabulation shows how many employees have entered the service from various units of the Company:

American Bearing	-	1	Magnesium Reduction	-	27
American Lead	-	2	Magnus Metal	-	192
Atlantic Branch	-	249	Master Metals	-	15
Baltimore Branch	-	14	Pacific Coast Branch	-	102
Baroid Sales	-	100	John T. Lewis	-	23
Boston Branch	-	13	Pittsburgh Branch	-	11
Buffalo Branch	-	1	Research Laboratories	-	27
Chicago Branch	-	118	St. Louis Branch	-	103
Cincinnati Branch	-	23	St. Louis Smelting & Ref.	-	63
Cleveland Branch	-	3	Titanium Division:		
DeLore	-	3	MacIntyre	-	64
Evans Lead	-	3	New York	-	30
General Offices	-	16	St. Louis	-	192
Morris P. Kirk	-	27	Sayreville	-	295