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A Letter to Stalin at Christmas

Dear Joe:

Well, it's Christmas again. You and your citizens don't find the significance in Christmas that we do, because your faith has been shaken and destroyed. You should spend a holiday season in America, send a delegation to see what it's like over here and then go home and tell your people about it.

You see, Joe, we here appreciate America and the things American, a great deal.

You don't have to be a "big shot" in this country to have things. I'm just a mechanic working with tools, but I own a home. I go to the church of my choice. I vote for the man I want for president, and governor, and mayor-president. And I work where I choose. People don't say, "Comrade John, you must work the north part of the field 10 miles out the Hammond Highway."

Another thing, Joe, I've been reading in the paper about how the people in Europe—and in Russia, too—are suffering from the cold. There's plenty of heat in our house; the kids have comfortable clothes; and our power isn't rationed. In fact, you ought to see our Christmas tree all lighted up—it's beautiful.

You condemn America as a capitalistic country ruined by a system of free enterprise. Maybe so, Joe, but your government controlled economy can't furnish what our "ruined capitalistic system" does. Your worker can't walk into a store and order meat, or shoes, or a refrigerator, or a radio. He has to get permission from another "Comrade" to make such a purchase, then stand in line and buy if the supply hasn't been depleted before his turn arrives.

But the finest thing of all, Joe, is our faith. Faith carries you through, and when we eat our Christmas dinner with plenty of all the good foods we relish, we'll bow our heads first and thank our God that through Him and His Son we have such a belief.

So, why condemn us before you know the truth? Come over and see for yourself, see and believe.

This is a good world, Joe, and you can help a lot in making it better by telling your people the truth. Merry Christmas!

JOHN

Your Rights as an American Citizen

Here is an outline of some of the major rights of the individual and safeguards against invasion of those rights by the government agencies, as guaranteed by the Constitution and its amendments, by the common law and by Supreme Court decisions.

"The Antiknock" believes that as we celebrate the birth of Christ and the new year approaches each of us should review these guarantees and resolve that these rights shall remain ours. That our government of the people, by the people and for the people shall continue to live.

1. Freedom to worship at any church you choose.
2. Freedom of speech and freedom of the press, including the right to criticize the government and public officials.
3. Right of the people to assemble peaceably and to petition the government for a redress of grievances—fancied or real.
4. The right to keep and bear arms.
5. Protection of the people against unreasonable search and seizure of persons and property by the government without proper authority and good cause.
6. No person shall be held to answer for any major crime without review and indictment by a grand jury.
7. No person shall be placed in jeopardy (indicted, prosecuted or imprisoned) twice for the same crime.
8. No person shall be compelled to act as a witness against himself in any criminal case.
9. If a person is accused of crime, he has:
 - the right to a speedy trial.
 - the right to the help of a lawyer.
 - the right to trial by jury, impartially selected.
 - the right to call witnesses in his favor.
10. No wife may be required to testify against her husband (or vice versa) in any criminal proceeding.
11. No private property may be taken for public use without just compensation and due process of law.
12. Excessive bail shall not be required, nor excessive fines imposed, nor cruel and unusual punishments inflicted.
13. A person is presumed to be innocent until proved guilty.
14. The right to vote, secretly, for anyone you want.

These are your freedoms. An American is indeed the wealthiest person in the world. We hope these will remain.

ANNUAL MEETING

Members of the Ethyl Employees' Federal Credit Union will hold their annual meeting Jan. 14, 7:30 P.M., in the Baton Rouge Community Center on St. Louis Street.

Business highlights will be the election of officers for 1949, a declaration of dividends, and determination of policy for the forthcoming year.

Entertainment will include refreshments and a movie of the L.S.U.-Alabama game.

Officers during 1948 have been Hubert Crook, president; Milton Stiles, vice-president; A. D. Hubbs, treasurer; and Rosemary Truxillo, assistant treasurer.

Schaefer Is Elected As C. of C. Director

Vice-President J. H. Schaefer has been elected as a member of the Baton Rouge Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors. Nine new directors were selected in an election which was held on Nov. 30. They were elected by the members out of a field of 18 prominent Baton Rouge business and professional men nominated last month and are to occupy positions on the board for the next two years.

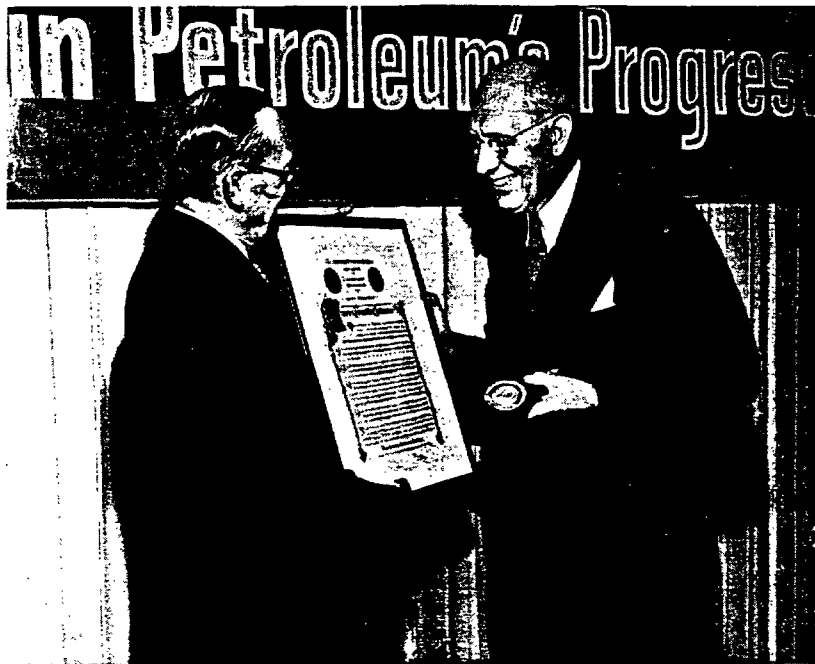
According to Fred J. Bahlinger, business man and chairman of the election judges, the election this year "reflected the keenest interest among the general membership of the chamber in several years." Balloting was the heaviest in the history of the organization, with a majority of approximately 1500 ballots returned to the boxes.

On Dec. 8, J. W. C. Wright, Jr., was unanimously elected president of the Chamber of Commerce to succeed Byron Kantrow.

Fred Grace was elected vice-president, and E. E. Moore was elected treasurer. These new officers are to be installed at a general membership meeting in January.

At least ninety-five per cent of all service station operators are independent businessmen who own or lease properties. This percentage also applies to oil jobbers who engage in wholesale marketing and distribution.

Kettering Receives Petroleum Institute Award As Recognition of Contributions to Industry



API President William R. Boyd presents the Gold Medal for Distinguished Achievement to Charles F. Kettering. "You exemplify the spirit of young America," Boyd stated, "in your continued search for new and bigger problems to solve—so that the promise of the future may be more fully realized. We honor you alike for your past contributions and for the spiritual impetus you have given to the quest for an even brighter future."

Recognition of his giant contribution to industrial progress was given to Charles F. Kettering, first president of Ethyl Corporation and senior member of the Board of Directors, when the American Petroleum Institute awarded him their Gold Medal for Distinguished Achievement at the 28th Annual API meeting.

As he received the award honoring him for his many contributions to our industrial nation, the thousands of oil men who were attending the opening meeting in the Grand Ballroom of Chicago's Stevens Hotel rose to their feet in spontaneous and heart-warming tribute.

Following the presentation, Kettering gave another of his talks for which he is so famous. He filled the time with a clear, easily understood discussion of the complicated things about engine efficiency, thermodynamics, and fuel supply.

He told oil men that we need not worry about the fear that we will run out of fuel or food. "Nature provides ample resources for both fuel and food,

and if we cannot obtain our needs of both, it will be our fault.

"We have to learn more about how to capture energy from the sun. We have all of this know-how, all of this technology with which we can learn more. We need to recognize that there is so much we do not know.

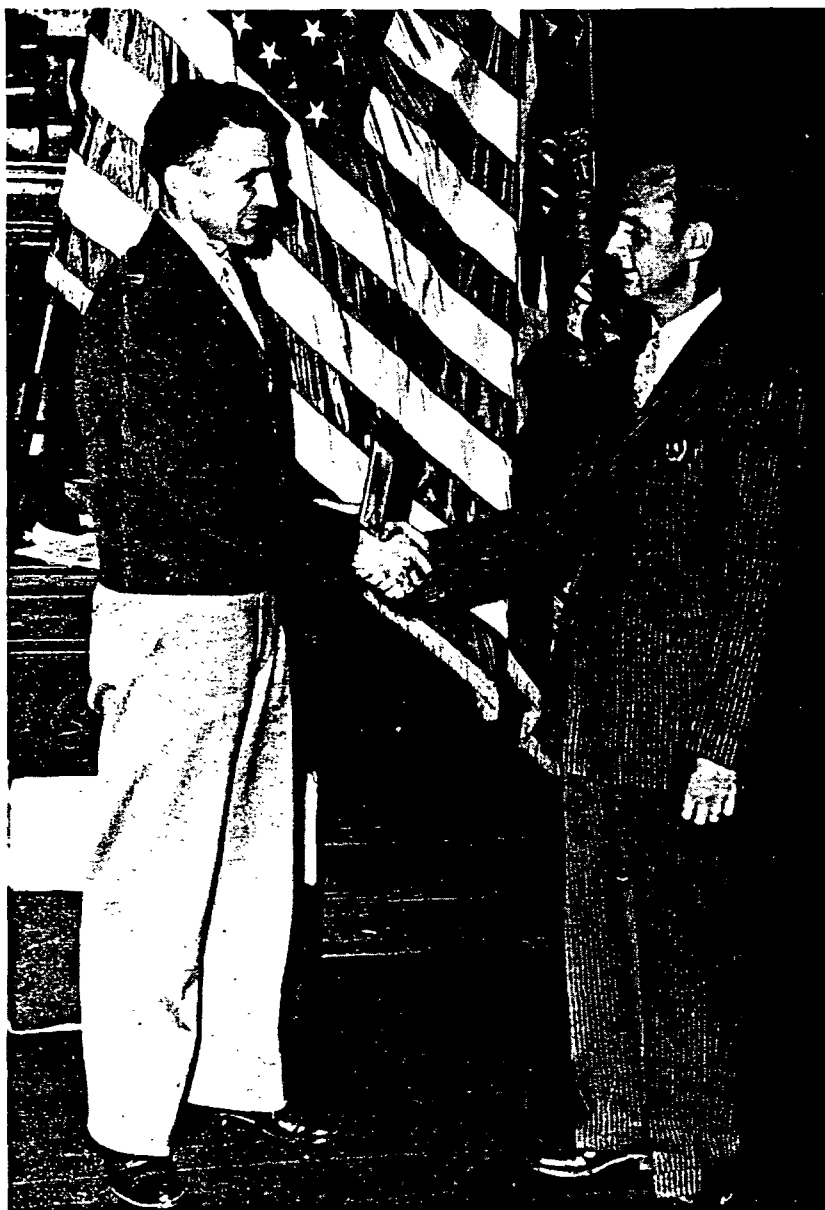
"With the competence of the engine and fuel industries, as long as the sun shines, if we just don't become stupid, we don't need to worry because we shall never run out of energy."

Cancel My Subscription

The best argument we have heard supporting the increasing cost of living is that one of our newer employees. He came in wanting to cancel his subscription to "The Bulletin Board." It was explained that there was no charge for the publication.

Tip to pedestrians: Think for two—the driver and you,

A. C. Adams Receives Bronze Star



A. C. Adams, of the Maintenance section, is shown here as he received the Bronze Star award with Oak Leaf Cluster. "Acy" received the award in recognition of his outstanding battle record in the Pacific and Asiatic theaters of war. The presentation was made at the Dec. 8 meeting of the Christ-Dickerson Amvet post by Capt. R. H. Piehl, commanding officer of the Baton Rouge U. S. Army and U. S. Air Force recruiting station.

Laborers Hear Dr. Stuckey

Dr. L. N. Stuckey, pastor of the First Methodist Church, gave a Christmas safety talk to the Ethyl Chloride laborers at their Dec. 16 Safety meeting.

The laborers have completed 882 days without a major injury.

THANKS

I wish to take this opportunity of expressing my thanks and appreciation to my fellow employees for their kindness and sympathy following the death of my mother.

Larry C. Glover & Family.

Sodium Area Change House To Provide Space for 500

Bids for the construction of Sodium Change House No. 3 were opened on Dec. 15.

According to Clarke Burdick, Engineering Superintendent, this building will provide change house facilities for approximately 500 men. It is to join and be located on the west side of the No. 2 Sodium Change House.

The expansion program now underway will increase production of TEL by approximately 40 per cent, and this new building is a result of the Corporation's efforts to provide more and better facilities for employees as the plant expands.

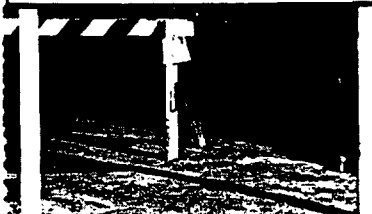
Burdick said that the new House will resemble TEL Change House No. 3 in outside appearance with the exception of the second floor which will not be as large. The building is being constructed in such a manner that the size can be increased in the future.

Construction is expected to begin within a short time and the completion date has been set for the fall of 1949 as much depends upon weather and working conditions.

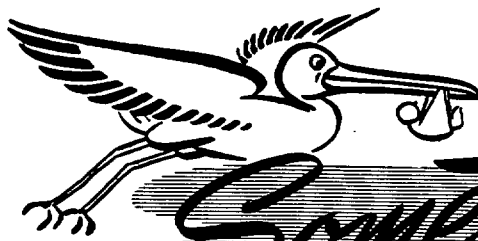
Traffic laws are here to stay—are you? Safety means observing laws, and watching for those who don't. Traffic laws are not annoyances to be ignored. The National Safety Council says they are for your protection. Don't learn about them by accident!

Avoid that nip before your holiday trip! The National Safety Council says more drinking during the festive holiday season is partly responsible for the increase in traffic accidents. Both pedestrians and drivers should avoid drinking before using the streets.

YOU MADE IT A MILLION
ON NOV. 8, 1948 (SAFE MAN HOURS)
NOW WIN THE
Plant Manager's
Prize
133 DAYS TO GO
Without a time losing accident on Plant.



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Something NEW

IN PINK AND BLUE

Linda Catherine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Ball. Born Dec. 5 at Our Lady of the Lake Hospital. Nine pounds. "Bob" is in TEL Maintenance.

Leonard Dennis Mouch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis D. Mouch. Born Nov. 26, 1948. Louis is in TEL Engineering and Maintenance.

Donna Faye, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leon B. Broussard, Jr. Born Nov. 26 at Our Lady of the Lake Hospital. Seven pounds fourteen ounces. Leon is in the Maintenance section.

Willie Joe Anderson, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Anderson, Jr. Born Nov. 28 at the McComb, Miss., Infirmary. Nine pounds ten ounces. Anderson is a member of our Patrol Force.



Paul Theriot, one-year-old, and Peter, three, are the attractive children of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Theriot. Peter was born in Norfolk, England. Harry is an Ethyl Chloride Maintenance pipefitter.



Dorothy Lee is the 23-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ned Plaisance. Ned is a well-known employee in TEL Maintenance where he works as a mechanic.

Marvin Russell Ramsey, son of Mr. and Mrs. George V. Ramsey. Born Nov. 22 at Our Lady of the Lake Hospital. Seven pounds seven ounces. George works in TEL Stores.

Charles Alan Dantoni, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Dantoni. Born Nov. 18 at Our Lady of the Lake Hospital. Six pounds five ounces. Frank is employed in Production Planning.

Gwendlyn Gale Allen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Allen. Born Nov. 18 at the Baton Rouge General Hospital. Eight pounds five and one-half ounces. John is a Sodium operator.

Virgil G., Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil G. Joiner. Born Nov. 17 at Our Lady of the Lake Hospital. Eight pounds two ounces. Virgil is in Ethyl Chloride Maintenance.

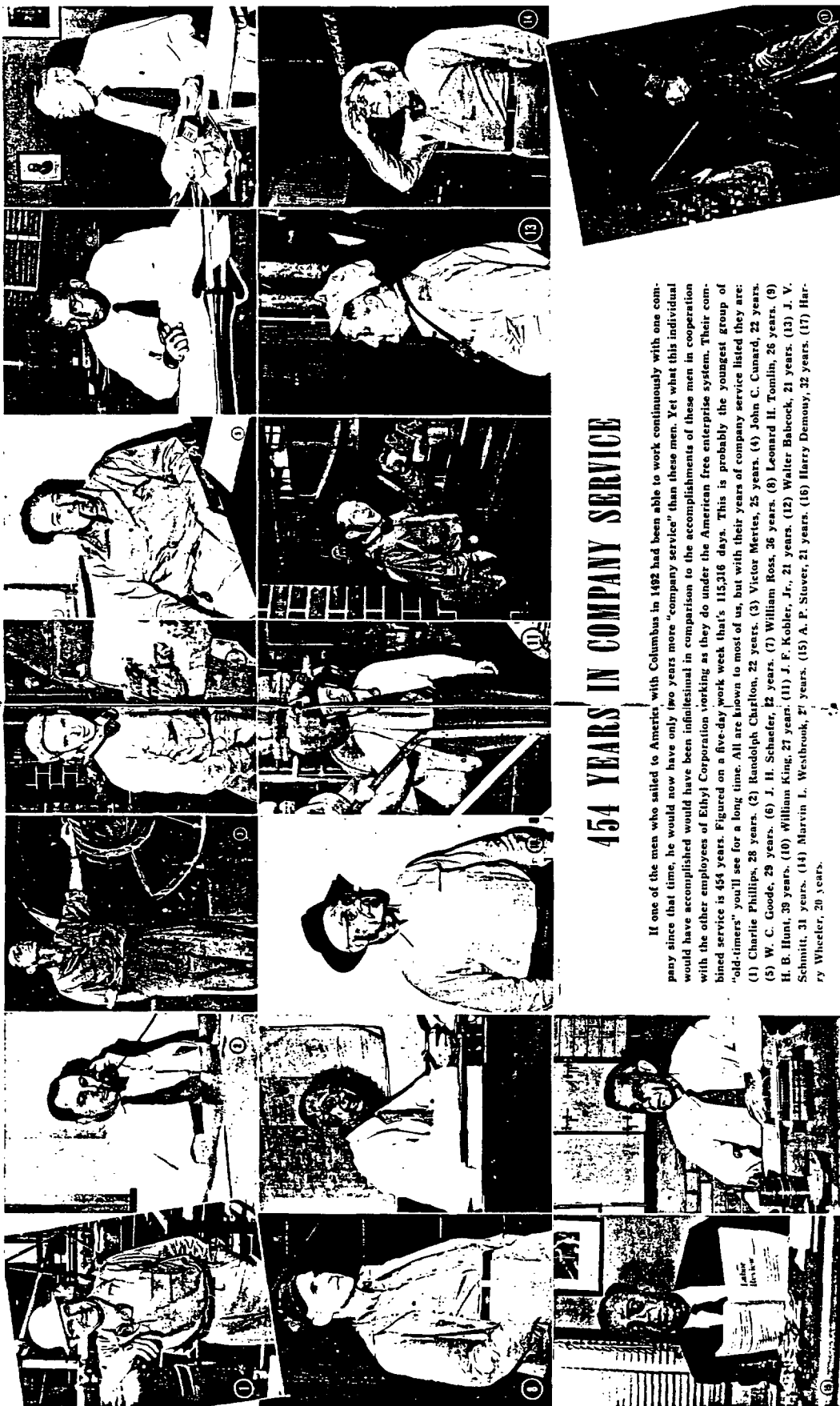
Thomas Ferrell Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elo A. Miller. Born Nov. 12 at Our Lady of the Lake Hospital. Eight pounds four ounces. Leo is a member of the Process Engineering group.

Nancy Elizabeth Lyons, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dorsey E. Lyons. Born Nov. 22. Dorsey is employed in TEL Maintenance.

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Young Marcia, granddaughter of Pete Recoulley of TEL Maintenance, was photographed while being interviewed by the "Doughboys" during one of their sidewalk programs. Marcia's mother, Dorothy ReCoulley Bowen, is a former employee.



454 YEARS IN COMPANY SERVICE

If one of the men who sailed to America with Columbus in 1492 had been able to work continuously with one company since that time, he would now have only two years more "company service" than these men. Yet what this individual would have accomplished would have been infinitesimal in comparison to the accomplishments of these men in cooperation with the other employees of Elhyl Corporation working as they do under the American free enterprise system. Their combined service is 454 years. Figured on a five-day work week that's 115,316 days. This is probably the youngest group of "old-timers" you'll see for a long time. All are known to most of us, but with their years of company service listed they are:

(1) Charlie Phillips, 28 years. (2) Randolph Charlton, 22 years. (3) Victor Meritt, 25 years. (4) John C. Canard, 22 years. (5) W. C. Goode, 29 years. (6) J. H. Schaefer, 12 years. (7) William Ross, 36 years. (8) Leonard H. Tomlin, 26 years. (9) H. B. Hunt, 39 years. (10) William King, 27 years. (11) J. F. Kobler, Jr., 21 years. (12) Walter Babcock, 21 years. (13) J. V. Schmitt, 31 years. (14) Marvin L. Westbrook, 27 years. (15) A. P. Stover, 21 years. (16) Harry Demouy, 32 years. (17) Harry Wheeler, 20 years.

Glee Club Sings Carols . - Plans Activities for '49



Members of the Ethyl Glee club are shown here during one of their regular Monday night practice sessions at the Y.M.C.A. Annex. The group plans to sing Christmas Carols in the Cafeteria from 11:15 to 11:30 and from 12 to 12:15 on Dec. 23. Our Glee club also plans an extensive program for 1949 which will be announced at a later date. Front row, left to right: Celina Neumann, Wilma Loudon, Theresa Cockerham, Shirley Coponex, Mrs. Shirl Cook, Marjorie Durham, Joyce Kinchen, John Furr, Ernest Webb. Back row, l. to r.: Martin Smith, Leslie Harmon, Shirl Cook, Dick Schneider, Lew Dobbs, R. L. Menville, and Jimmy King (director).

Pink and Blue

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Melanie Ann Garner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Billy B. Garner. Born Nov. 26 at Our Lady of the Lake Hospital. Seven pounds and one-half ounces. Billy is in TEL Maintenance.

Len R. Brown, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Brown. Born Nov. 29 at the Baton Rouge General Hospital. Seven pounds five ounces. Len is a TEL operator.

Jerrold Anthony Richard, son of Mr. and Mrs. James S. Richard. Born Dec. 1 at Our Lady of the Lake Hospital. Six pounds ten ounces. James is in the Development Laboratory.

David Glen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Glen J. Haase. Born Dec. 6 at Our Lady of the Lake Hospital. Glen is in TEL Stores.

LSU Commerce Groups Hear Furr on Training

In a talk before two groups of Business Administration students at LSU on Dec. 16, John Furr, training supervisor, described "job satisfaction" and "wage satisfaction" as two musts for efficient industrial production.

About 183 students were in attendance when Furr outlined the training program now in effect at our plant. He described the philosophy of training that we have here as "a method of solving management problems." A definition which goes beyond the mere education of man.

Following each talk was a period reserved for questions from the students. According to Furr the groups were well aware of the various types of industrial training and were interested in the problems of management.

Tally-Up Bridge Club Holds Christmas Party

Members of the Tally-up Bridge club held their annual Christmas party at the home of the Morgan Manys Dec. 15.

This organization is composed of the wives of salaried employees and its purposes are purely social. At present there are 65 members but club officers hope that more wives will become interested in joining.

Some 50 members attended this year's party which was designed to be strictly a fun affair. Mrs. Many, Mrs. J. H. Black, Mrs. R. P. Triche, Jr., and Mrs. Arthur Haas were persuaded to be the human Christmas trees and were decorated with old-fashioned nightgowns, tipsy, tinsel halos and candles.

Other entertainment took the form of charade and pantomime games and a take-off on quiz programs. Mrs. Robert Palmer led the singing of carols.

Engineering and Maintenance Employees Have New Duties During Plant Expansion

Ten members of plant maintenance supervision have received temporary reassignments of duties during the period of our plant expansion.

According to W. J. Henry, section manager, these temporary duty shifts have been carried out to provide adequate supervision for the expansion work now being performed by Ethyl forces and to coordinate construction activities with Stone and Webster.

J. B. Rhorer, construction supervisor, has been reassigned to coordinate construction activities between Ethyl and Stone and Webster. J. J. Bridges, assistant area supervisor in TEL in now assisting Rhorer in the Ethyl Chloride area. F. H. Wade, principal foreman in

TEL is assisting Rhorer in the Sodium Area and F. B. Kramer is assistant in the TEL Area.

G. H. Larson, Area supervisor in the TEL Area, has been reassigned as construction supervisor, directing work by Ethyl forces and work being performed by outside contractors other than Stone and Webster.

S. A. D'Armond has been assigned as assistant to Larson.

W. T. Link, principal foreman in the Sodium area has been reassigned as

principal foreman in the expansion construction group.

B. G. Gouner, area mechanical foreman in Sodium now has been temporarily assigned as principal foreman in the Sodium area.

J. C. Klock, assistant supervisor in TEL is area supervisor in the TEL area.

M. C. Many, principal foreman in TEL is to assist Klock.

F. W. McDavitt, area mechanical foreman in TEL has moved into the position of principal foreman in TEL.

"These temporary reassignments of duties readily demonstrate the flexibility of our plant supervision in meeting needs brought on by our present expansion program," W. J. Henry explained.

Do Not Remember December Just for Holiday Season

Remember December—it can boast of the shortest days, the longest nights, and the gayest holiday season.

But December can be remembered for another reason—not one to boast of. The National Safety Council reports that December has the highest traffic death toll of the year.

The traffic deaths in December of 1947 totaled 3,190. The Council offers the following reasons for this peak:

1. Slippery streets and poor visibility—the mileage death rate in some states goes up 24 to 53 per cent in winter as compared to summer.

2. Pedestrians—the December pedestrian toll last year was more than 42 per cent above that for the average month, and early darkness is one of the big reasons.

3. The holiday season—deaths from traffic mishaps both on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day are two to three times the annual daily average.

The Christmas-New Year holiday season is the most dangerous single period of the year. Heavier travel and the festive spirit of the season increase the normal winter hazards, such as bad weather, slippery roads and more hours of darkness.

More drinking by both drivers and pedestrians during the holiday season also is partly responsible for the increase in the traffic toll.

In an attempt to hold accidents to a minimum during the festive season, when death or injury is doubly tragic, a national campaign is again being launched behind the slogan—"Don't Let Death Take Your Holiday!"

Plant Personalities

Carl Goode, day supervisor in TEL Operations and our first "Plant Personality" for 1949, has 32 years in the manufacture of chemicals and 25 years in the production of tetraethyl lead.

He has been with tetraethyl lead since the first development of the present manufacturing process.

Carl was born in Hot Springs, N. C. on July 13, 1894. He lived in Asheville, N. C. until he completed high school and then had one semester at Vanderbilt University.

In 1916 he went to work in the Federal Dye and Chemical Works at Kingsport, Tenn., remaining there until World War I. After the war he went back to Federal Dye for two months and in March of 1919 Carl was employed as a foreman in sulphur colors at the Deepwater, N.J. plant. He was transferred to lead in Oct. of 1923.

Carl was sent to Germany in 1936 to aid in starting a lead plant there. During the period from January until May of that

year it is said that Carl could have saved the world from much of its present turmoil for he had several opportunities to drop a brick on one Hitler.

He began his work here as a shift supervisor in May of 1937. (Editor's note: Plant construction began in Oct. of 1936) Carl was made day supervisor in TEL during 1945.

Carl and Elizabeth Goode now live at 2517 Spain St. The four Goode children are William C., Jr., who is at the Deepwater plant; Sam, who teaches at Oakdale High; Terrell, attending LSU; and Betty, who is employed by the General Paper Co.

Carl, who has indeed made a great contribution to the production of tetraethyl lead, is a great football and baseball spectator and likes to swim.



ERA Election

Members of the Ethyl Recreation Association will elect their Board of Directors for 1949 during the first two weeks of January.

Every shift in operations will elect one board member. All other sections in the plant will elect one board member per 100 ERA members or fraction thereof.

There will be three nominations for each director's position, and members will select their representative by secret ballot in booths prepared by the association.

As in the past, the new Board of Directors will elect the officers of the ERA.

Two Employees Are Honored For Scout Training Course

Edwin B. Smith, TEL Maintenance, and Ardee Causey, supervisor in TEL Operations, were honored at the Annual Leaders' Dinner of Istrouma Area council, Boy Scouts of America, held at L.S.U., Dec. 7.

Smith was awarded the scoutmaster's key for completing all the required

courses offered by the Boy Scouts in its five-year leadership training program.

Causey received the scoutmaster training award as recognition of his completion of the scoutmaster's training course.

Employee Pistol Team Tops MCL, Sheriffs

The Ethyl Athletic Association Pistol Team defeated the deputy sheriffs of East Baton Rouge Parish and the Marine Corps league, Dec. 12, in a shooting meet held at the state police headquarters.

The Ethyl Team, undefeated in four such matches, had a score of 1065 points while the Marines had 1006 and the deputy sheriffs 947. It was the first such match for the other teams. In addition, the sheriffs were using their regular service pistols while the other teams used special target guns.

The individual high was shot by Ralph Scheinuck of the Marine Corps league, who scored 284 out of a possible 300. J. T. Bridges of our team had 272 while Dan McDonald shot a 270. N. A. Sanders of the Marines was fourth with 269.

Dodgers Win First Half of ERA Bowling League

Last Friday the Dodgers won the ERA bowling league first-half championship in a photo finish by virtue of their victory over the third place Athletics. The Dodgers have been leading the league standings for many weeks but were only two games ahead of the Tigers when they met in the pay-off competition Friday at the season's half-way mark.

Team	Won	Lost
Dodgers	32	20
Tigers	30	22
Athletics	29	23
Pirates	26	26
Indians	18	34

These ERA keggers have had a very good reason so far as is shown by the standings which reveal only a 14-game difference between the top and cellar teams.

K. Armstrong of Shipping, captain of the Browns, leads the league in individual scratch games with a 238 and holds the season honors for an individual total game with a 259.

"Chuck" Colvin, head of our Purchasing Department, holds scratch series honors with a 592 and honors for total series with a sizzling 661. These records are going to be hard to top.



10 Year

James B. Luker, Ethyl Chloride Operations.

Fred C. O'Rourke, Jr., Ethyl Chloride Operations.

Russell F. Cooper, Sodium Operations.
Roy Fugler, TEL Engineering and Maintenance.

Ollie P. Marchand, TEL Engineering and Maintenance.

Charles A. Bourdeaux, TEL Operations.

Harold R. Cunningham, TEL Operations.

Robert Soulier, TEL Operations.

5 Year

Clay Chauvin, Ethyl Chloride Engineering and Maintenance.

Nemoure F. Rayne, Ethyl Chloride Engineering and Maintenance.

Elmo F. Rogers, Ethyl Chloride Engineering and Maintenance.

Claude J. Arceneaux, Development.

Fred A. McKey, Finance.

Robert H. Moles, Finance.

David D. Causey, TEL Operations.

Melvin J. Waggenspack, TEL Operations.

Lloyd B. Willis, TEL Operations.

CLASSIFIED ADS

WANTED

Please—would you do a favor
(I'd always be on time!)

And let me ride from Highland Road?
(Cole's corner would be fine!)

Please call M. G. Read at Ext. 278
or 3-8092 at 187 W. Garfield St.

LOST

Rhinestone pin at Ethyl Management Club Dance, Nov. 24. If found please call A. S. "Scoop" Barton—Ext. 241.

FOR RENT

Bedroom—to Gentlemen—Garage and semi-private bath. 169 Hearthstone Drive in Ogden Park. Phone 3-5321.

FOR SALE

Monitor Electric Range (made by Westinghouse)—18 months old. Excellent condition—\$135—Alf Larson—Watson, La., Box 53.



Claude C. Baham and Leland Ballard made this fine catch of bream recently at David and Olinde's Camp on False River. They pulled in their limit "just as fast as they could bait their hooks" with the grass shrimp they were using. Both are employees in TEL Operations.

A Visit From St. Nicholas

by

CLEMENT C. MOORE

'Twas the night before Christmas, when all through the house
Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse;
The stockings were hung by the chimney with care,
In hope that St. Nicholas soon would be there;
The children were nestled all snug in their beds,
While visions of sugar-plums danced in their heads;
And Mama in her kerchief, and I in my cap,
Had just settled our brains for a long winter's nap—
When out on the lawn there rose such a clatter,
I sprang from my bed to see what was the matter.
Away to the window I flew like a flash,
Tore open the shutters and threw up the sash.

The moon, on the breast of the new-fallen snow,
Gave luster of mid-day to objects below;
When, what to my wondering eyes should appear,
But a miniature sleigh, and eight tiny reindeer,
With a little old driver, so lively and quick,
I knew in a moment it must be St. Nick.
More rapid than eagles his coursers they came,
And he whistled, and shouted and called them by name:
"Now, Dasher! now, Dancer; now, Prancer and Vixen!
On! Comet, on! Cupid, on! Dunder and Blitzen—
To the top of the porch, to the top of the wall!
Now, dash away, dash away, dash away all!"
As dry leaves that before the wild hurricane fly,
When they meet with an obstacle, mount to the sky,
So, up the house-top the coursers they flew,
With a sleigh full of toys—and St. Nicholas, too.

And then in a twinkling I heard on the roof,
The prancing and pawing of each little hoof.

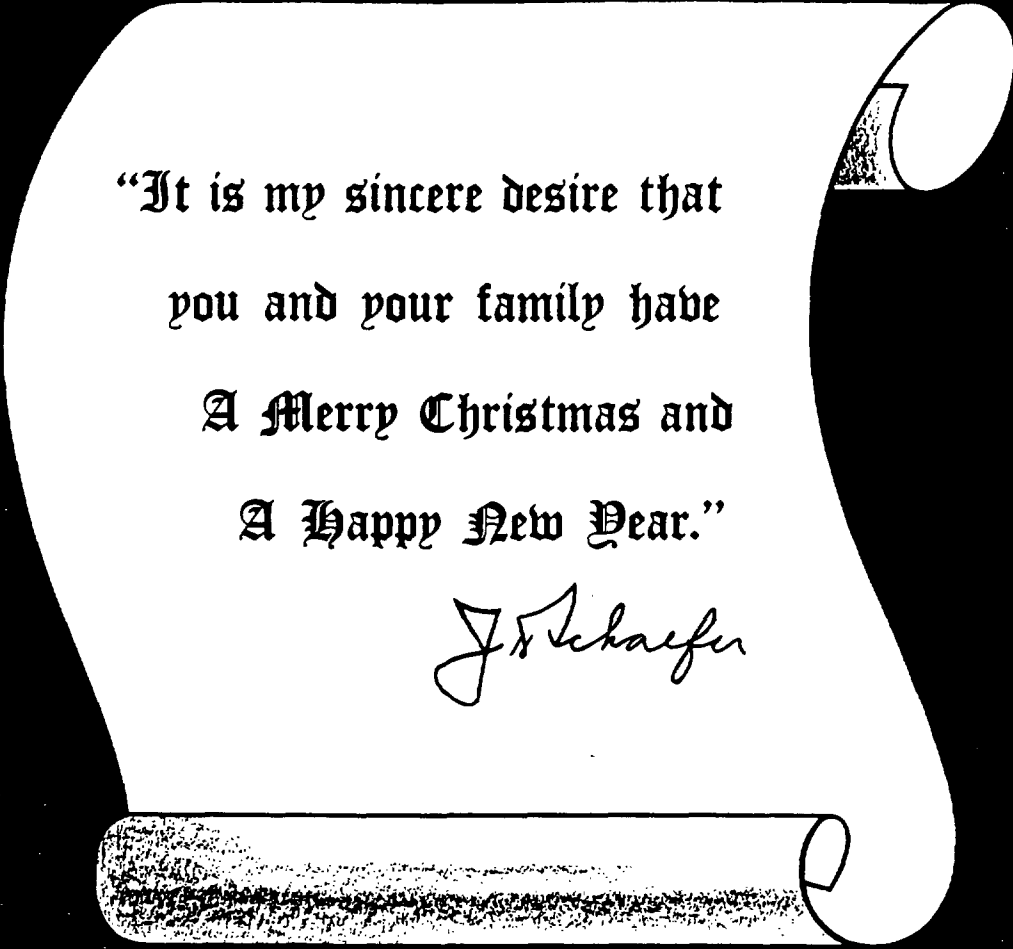
As I drew in my head, and was turning around,
Down the chimney St. Nicholas came with a bound.
He was dressed all in fur from his head to his foot,
And his clothes were all tarnished with ashes and soot;
A bundle of toys he had flung on his back,
And he looked like a peddler just opening his pack.
His eyes how they twinkled! his dimples how merry!
His cheeks were like roses, his nose like a cherry;
His droll little mouth was drawn up like a bow,
And the beard on his chin was as white as the snow;
The stump of a pipe he held tight in his teeth,
And the smoke, it encircled his head like a wreath.
He had a broad face, and a little round belly,
That shook when he laughed, like a bowl full of jelly.
He was chubby and plump—a right jolly old elf;
And I laughed when I saw him, in spite of myself.

A wink of his eye, and a twist of his head,
Soon gave me to know that I had nothing to dread.
He spoke not a word, but went straight to his work,
And filled all the stockings; then turned with a jerk,
And laying his finger aside of his nose,
And giving a nod, up the chimney he rose.
He sprang to his sleigh, to his team gave a whistle,
And away they all flew like the down of a thistle;
But I heard him exclaim, ere he drove out of sight,

"HAPPY CHRISTMAS TO ALL

AND TO ALL A GOOD-NIGHT!"





"It is my sincere desire that
you and your family have
A Merry Christmas and
A Happy New Year."

J. Schaefer



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Moving Day Nears For Office Forces

THE NEW MEDICAL AND PERSONNEL BUILDING, WHICH IS BEING COMPLETED BY THE BATON ROUGE OFFICE OF THE ARMY AIR FORCE, WILL BE READY FOR OCCUPANCY THIS MONTH. THE BUILDING IS A TWO-STOREY STRUCTURE, 240 FEET LONG AND 40 FEET WIDE, AND WILL ACCOMMODATE THE MEDICAL AND PERSONNEL DEPARTMENTS OF THE ARMY AIR FORCE. THE BUILDING IS A MODERN STRUCTURE, WITH SUMMER AND WINTER AIR CONDITIONING, ACOUSTICAL WALLS AND CEILINGS, AND THOUSANDS OF WINDOWS, WHICH WILL PROVIDE OFFICE SPACE FOR THE COMPLETE PERSONNEL GROUP AND MEDICAL DEPARTMENT, A PORTION OF TOP MANAGEMENT AND THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT.



A construction employee installs the front door of the Medical and Personnel Building as the finishing work nears completion.

Buildings to Be Ready for Occupancy This Month

There'll be some changes made during February as work is completed on our new Medical and Personnel building and the TEL Change House No. 3. Some 800 employees are expected to be affected by this mass transfer of offices and lockers which will begin this month and continue into March.

With its 600 electrical outlets, 240 light fixtures and 80 telephones, our new Medical and Personnel building will be one of the most complete and modern structures of its type in the United States. Its 119 rooms, complete with summer and winter air conditioning, acoustical walls and ceilings, and thousands of windows, will provide office space for the complete Personnel group and Medical Department, a portion of top management and the Finance Department.

A Third Floor Possible

One interesting feature of this building was the provision in its construction for the addition of a future third floor.

The Medical Department's equipment will include a physiotherapy room, drug room, laboratory, electrocardiograph and basal metabolism room, special rooms for taking and reading X-rays, dark-room, oxygen and minor surgery rooms and its library.

Some 150 employees will utilize this modern building.

More Room for Everybody

When the move into this Medical and Personnel building is completed, expanded facilities will be available in the Administration building for Production Planning employees, the TEL Operations office, the office service group, Plant and Employee Services administrative offices, and the Purchasing Section.

Other groups such as the Development lab employees, Industrial Engineers, Development Section personnel, Safety Department, Engineering and (Continued on Page 10)

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Watch Your Keys

The United States Supreme Court recently handed down a ruling which should be of special interest to persons in the habit of leaving their car or truck keys in the ignition lock during periods of parking.

The court held that if an owner left his keys in the car, and the car was stolen, and an accident involving damages resulted, the owner of the car legally was liable for all damages incurred. The theory propounded was that the owner's carelessness in leaving the keys was an invitation to theft and made him primarily guilty of any later damages.

The case, a long drawn-out one before the court, involved a stolen truck which got into an accident. The truck owner was assessed the resulting damages and the Supreme Court upheld the decision.

The decision may break up a little racket that has been rather widespread at times in various cities and towns—that of car owners or truck owners pretending that drivers of their cars or trucks, involved in accidents, had used the car or truck “without permission,” thus supposedly absolving the owner. The Supreme Court says it is a matter of how the driver got the keys.

—Shreveport Times.

$$3.75 \times 52 \times 10 = 2,163.45$$

Every family in the United States has an average share in the national debt amounting to \$6,300. How many realize that we are that far in the red?

It's true that a debt as remote as this rests lightly. It's also true that we as individual families are not going to have to shell out a lump sum of \$6,300 and pay across the board. But, sometime, our government must pay that bill. AND, who pays when the government pays?

However, there is an escape hatch left for each of us. During the period from February, 1946, to June, 1948 this national debt was REDUCED from 279 billions to 252 billions—27 billions in 28 months.

Some 20 billions of this payment was made through the use of excess balances from the 1945 Victory

Loan. Each of us had a share in the 1945 Victory Bond drive and in this way each of us had a share in reducing our nation's debt.

But, as we reduced the debt we made money. We say *hurrah* for this way of getting the United States out of debt!

Aside from this salient factor, where else is there a better, safer, surer and more profitable investment than the Savings Bonds? Has anybody ever dreamed up a more convenient way of saving than through regular payroll deductions for Bonds?

Take a look at your new 1949 calendar and notice how many paydays there'll be for you during the coming year. If we only save \$3.75 each week, we'll have \$2,163.45 at the end of ten short years. In this manner we do away with the need of using a fire-proof pocket for our paychecks.

We who, with our families, owe that \$6,300 share in the national debt can certainly conclude that the good beginning in retiring it must be continued without interruption. We can also conclude that it's a good idea to save money. Why not accomplish both by continuing to buy United States Saving Bonds?

Virtue Is Free

Noah Webster defines “virtue” as “moral excellence,” “manly strength or courage.” The Greek philosopher Plato distinguished for cardinal virtues, prudence, fortitude, temperance, and justice.

A wise old Chinaman, Tzu Chang, once asked Confucius the meaning of *Virtue*, to which the renowned sage replied: “To be able everywhere one goes to carry five things into practice constitutes virtue. They are courtesy, magnanimity, sincerity, earnestness and kindness. With courtesy you avoid insult, with magnanimity you will win all, with sincerity men will trust you, with earnestness you will have success, and with kindness you will be fitted to command others.”

We all know, or maybe we just think, life has many problems. Sometimes it seems that perhaps these problems cannot be surmounted. Sometimes we are prone to wonder why we were not born “rich” instead of “so good looking.” We question whether or not all are given equal “breaks” in life.

In the answer Confucius gave Tzu Chang there lies a secret worth more than mere money. Surely if we could avoid insult we would be happier persons. If we could win all as friends and equals we would be happier persons. If everyone trusted us, we would be satisfied. Surely success means much to each of us and the ability to command others is sought after.

In Confucius's statement there is the great “equalizer.” All of those “happiness factors” are within our grasp. Yet, they belong to those who have virtue as defined by Confucius. But, virtue is free.

Question of the Month . . .

What Has Been Your Luckiest Break In Life?

For most individuals of Ethyl, life has been uneventful and breaks have been few. By breaks, we mean something that was in a large measure pure luck and not the result of plans and work.

In fact, we received some good answers in the negative such as the one from one of our secretaries who said, "Who me? Breaks? That's a laugh! I believe a black cat walks right ahead of me all the time."

There were some, however, who could tell of good fortune that was beyond the ordinary.

Oswald P. Templet, Jr., a laboratory helper in the Development Section. "I was fighting in Italy when I was a Technical Sergeant with the 36th Infantry Division. We were going up a mountain trail when a German machine gun nest opened fire. A bullet went through my left cheek, knocked out four teeth, and then went through the right cheek. Strangely, it didn't hurt a lot at the time. If I hadn't been stooping over—well, you wouldn't be getting this statement from me now. I stayed in the hospital 18 days, but I'm still living and well now."

Harry Lemoine is a senior assistant in the Blender Control Laboratory. In years past he drove in ambulance to defray school expenses. "I was driving in ambulance 80 miles per hour, in Shreveport, hurrying to a bad wreck. When I tried to turn off at a fork in the highway, I passed the road entrance and had to go through a five foot ditch. Fortunately, the banks of it were inclined gradually, and I was able to keep the ambulance on its wheels. In fact, I drove back up on the road and went on to the wreck without appreciably checking speed."

James A. Kelly is a TEL Maintenance area foreman. "I got the best break I ever had when I bought my house," he said. "By taking over payments from an individual who was leaving town, I got a six-room home completely furnished for \$3,900. That price included legal fees, a check of the title, and all other expenses. It also included a 60'x200' lot. At the time of purchase it was worth \$6,000 and three years after I bought it I was offered \$9,500 for the house unfurnished."

"Frankly, I consider getting a job at Ethyl Corporation one of the best breaks I've had in life," said **Billie Magearl**—a stenographer in Production Planning. "I've worked here 4½ years and still like it better than any other job I've ever had. I feel that it is a big break for anyone to get a position with a company that pays good wages and has comprehensive benefit plans such as we enjoy here."

"We were bombing St. Nazaire, France, when the Germans shot us down and took me among others as a prisoner of war," said **Malcolm Griffith**—a member of the Audit Group in Finance. "That best break in life for me was the parcels of food that came from America during the 23 months I was a prisoner, because during that time I was always hungry."

Our Error

In a recent issue we stated that Clara Raychell was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James D. Britt. The statement should have been, "Clara Raychell and James D. Britt were married, Oct. 17."

Emmitt H. Nolan is an operator 2'c in Sodium. As he looks back to his years in active service during the war he feels that his best break occurred then. "I feel that I have had a lot of good breaks in life, but I guess my best was coming back from the war unhurt after service on an aircraft carrier in the Pacific. One time we didn't reach our destination according to schedule. The ship that did was sunk by the enemy with hundreds of casualties. Our being late was certainly a good break."

Krewe of Ethmaclu Will Reign Supreme Night of Feb. 25

The Mystic Krewe of Ethmaclu will reign supreme on the night of Feb. 25 when the Ethyl Management club stages its first annual costume ball.

King Tetra I and Queen Ethyl I are to lead the Mardi Gras merry-makers from 9 p.m. until 1 a.m. at the Heidelberg Roof. According to John A. Graziano, chairman of the arrangements committee, "a court of six Dukes and six Maids will help preserve the air of unrestrained joy and revelry."

All to Be Masked

All club members are requested to be in costume and masked. A suggested list of costumes which may be used has been sent to the membership.

The King and Queen, and members of the Court, are to be chosen by lot on the night of the ball. When the invitations were sent out they contained two tickets. One purple for the men and one gold colored for the ladies. These are to be placed on boxes which will be at the entrance to the Roof and promptly at 10 p.m. tickets are to be drawn from these boxes and the King and Queen and court will be chosen.

Suggestions Invited

The ball's program includes such items as the Grand March, presentation of the Court, general unmasking, unmasking of the Tetra I and Ethyl I, and general dancing.

Members of the arrangements committee who assisted Graziano are: Ben Burge, assistant chairman; F. M. Porch, costumes; E. L. Crunk, program; H. B. Hunt, decorations and orchestra; and R. J. Laporte, invitations and publicity.

Graziano requests that any suggestions and questions regarding this ball be directed to the above committee members for prompt acceptance or reply.

Gilmore and Guerin Made Salaried Foremen; Both Have Years of TEL Operating Experience



James A. Guerin

Purcell P. Gilmore and James A. Guerin were made salaried shift foremen in TEL Operations, Jan. 1.

Gilmore was hired during January, 1937, as a construction employee and transferred to TEL Operations during October of that year.

He is a native of East Baton Rouge Parish and a graduate of Central High School.

Mrs. Gilmore is the former Gladys Worsham of Lottier. They and their son, Albert—17 years old, live near Baker.

Guerin has been a TEL Operations



Purcell P. Gilmore

employee since Oct. 30, 1939. In September, 1943 he was given military leave for service in the Army. His overseas duty was in the Pacific Theater of war where he held the rank of staff sergeant.

He resumed his former duties here after discharge during February, 1946.

Mrs. Guerin is the former Alfreda Pecquet of Port Allen. They have one child, Allen, 17 months old. Most of their leisure time is devoted to the home which they are now building in Port Allen and to their activities in the Catholic Church.

Harvey Made President Local Industrial Forum

Clarence Harvey, of the Development Section is the new President of the Baton Rouge Industrial Forum. He was elected to the post at the second annual banquet of the organization held Jan. 22 in the Venetian room at LSU.

Harvey, although not a member of the charter group, has been actively participating in the forum work since its inception two years ago. Baton Rouge's Industrial Forum was originated by Maintenance and Construction Engineers, but, today representatives of nearly every phase of Industrial supervision are found in its 120 membership.

The forum's discussions cover topics from "Labor Relations" to "Welding" and from "Human Engineering" to "Materials of Construction." Tentatively scheduled for later this year is a discussion on "Flood Control Plans for the Mississippi River" which will be lead by the U. S. Army Engineers.

Barnum Is Silver Beaver

Lew Barnum, P&ES, has received the Silver Beaver award from the Istrouma Area Boy Scout Council. The Istrouma area is comparable in size to the Sixth Congressional District of Louisiana and Lew was one of three men named to receive their highest honor. The award was made Jan. 25 at the Scouts' annual meeting.

Chemical Society Sponsors "Headlines in Chemistry" —A Report on Industry

Baton Rouge's section of the American Chemical Society is now conducting a series of "Headlines in Chemistry" programs over radio station WJBO and WLSU.

Designed to give a survey of the role of local industries in chemistry, this weekly public service feature may be heard from 5 to 5:15 p. m. each Saturday over WJBO. Times for WLSU are to be scheduled.

Chemists of international fame who will visit Baton Rouge in coming months will be interviewed on the program as well as public health, fire and police officials. The latter group will be invited to discuss the chemical technique and products they employ.

The over-all background for this program will attempt to provide the listeners with an up-to-date survey of the progress of chemistry on a national and local scale.

Part of each program will be given to news bulletins covering the most important developments in chemical science for that week and a part of the program is to be devoted to the different chemical activities in the Baton Rouge locality. A portion of the first two programs were devoted to Ethyl work in chemistry and chemical research.

Porch Lectures on Saety To L.S.U. Engineering Groups

Another of the Safety Department's "extra curricular" activities was conducted during the week of Jan. 10 when F. M. Porch, safety engineer, gave a series of safety talks to some 61 Industrial Engineering students at L.S.U.

Covering Junior and Senior classes, "Mike" devoted his instruction to three topics which were; "Training the New Employee," "Training Supervisors and Foremen," and "The Workings of a Safety Department." The large size of the student group made it necessary for him to give two talks on each of these three subjects.

Since 1942 "Mike" has been conducting lectures at LSU covering all phases of Industrial Safety. This latest series was arranged in cooperation with Dean J. J. LaSalle and Prof. Kenneth Loughmiller of the College of Engineering.

Every report says that these talks have proven very beneficial.

CLASSIFIED ADS

FOR SALE

5½ HP Elgin Outboard Motor. Has been run only 12 hours. \$95. Call R. M. Vargo, Ext. 442.

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Ice Box, 50 lb. capacity. Poreclain finished. Practically new. \$25. Paul Creel, 2243 Beech St., apt. 5.

Cypress Boat, with Delco inboard motor. Everything complete, \$100. Boyd Blount, Walker, La., on Highway 90.

MoPar Auto radio. Custom built for Chrysler, Dodge, DeSoto, or Plymouth. Good condition. \$50. Jerry Prejean, phone 6020.

Catahoula Stock puppies. Seven. 11 weeks old. \$20 each. Dan Sutton, phone 3-5225.

Hay-Lespedeza, and native grass. Lespedeza \$1.10 per bale. Other 80 cents per bale. At barn. Dan Sutton, 3-5225.

Benton ½-ton trailer. Tires in excellent condition. \$160. Call L. J. Schexnayder, phone 3-5029.

FOR RENT

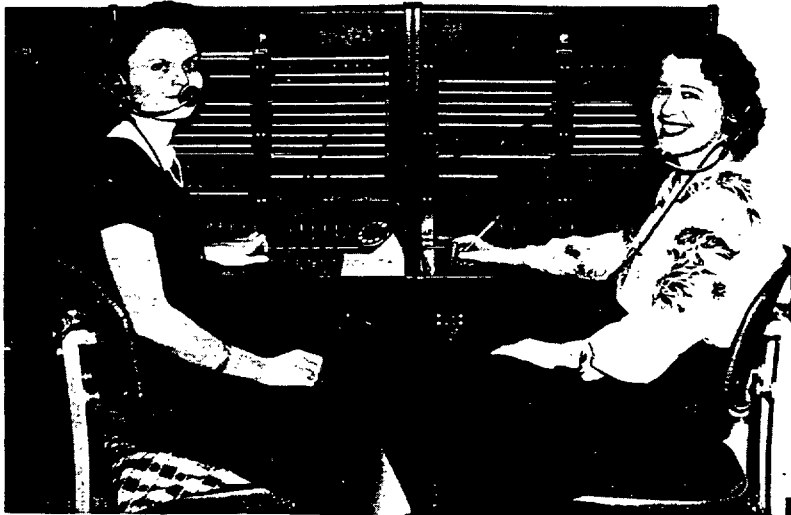
Furnished room with semi-private bath and kitchen. Private home. \$40 per month. For girl who works at Ethyl. Address: 7135 Joliet in Goodwood section. May also use Bendix washer and ironer. Ride available to and from work with owner. Billie Slade, Finance. Phone 4-5105.

Nice comfortable room. Near L.S.U. Phone 4-9444 or see John Willard in Dev. Lab.

RIDE WANTED

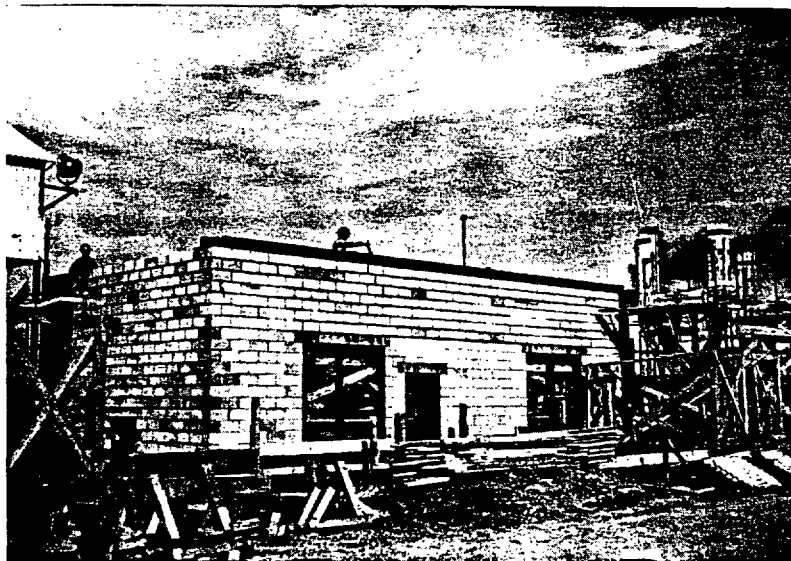
Ride wanted from University Gardens to and from work. 7:30-4:00 Monday through Friday. Connie Mary. Ext. 501.

EXPANDED PHONE SERVICE



Mrs. Pauline Williams, left, and Mrs. Hazel Pate handle the new plant telephone switchboard which went into operation recently. Hazel, who went to work Jan. 3, is a former switchboard employee of the Louisiana Department of Public Safety. Pauline worked for Bell Telephone seven years previous to her employment here last fall.

THE BUGS WILL SUFFER



Construction work is proceeding according to schedule on the benzene hexachloride plant in the Ethyl Chloride area. The company plans to start full scale production of the insect killer during April. The concrete block structure shown is to house manufacturing facilities; another building will be constructed for mixing and packaging of the product.

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ERA Members Elect Their 1949 Board— Two Run-Offs Because of Tie Votes

(See photo page 10)

Employee balloting throughout the plant during January elected eighteen individuals to the ERA Board of Directors for 1949 and necessitated a run-off in two spots because of tie votes.

In Ethyl Chloride Operations J. E. Christy was elected from Breeden's Shift; H. A. Broussard, Norwood's Shift.

Ethyl Chloride Maintenance representatives will be Willard Landry and J. D. French with Raumann Browning representing the miscellaneous group from that area.

A. B. Calmes and Gordon Cheik will represent Sodium Operations.

Office personnel chose Harry A. Demouy, Jr., J. W. Marrs, Hallie Boles, and Mary Walsh as their representatives.

In TEL Operations, Ernest Aucoin is Epps' Shift member; Emmett Falconer,

Brown's Shift; Ellis R. Haddox, Couey's Shift; L. D. Pendergrass, Carville's Shift; and L. C. Dixon TEL miscellaneous group.

Bill Morris and Thad Bridges are Board members of TEL-Sodium Maintenance.

Run-offs because of tie votes were necessary on Brummett's Shift and Westbrook's Shift in Ethyl Chloride.

Berthelot Poem Published

L. J. Berthelot, TEL Maintenance, is the author of an inspirational Christmas poem "Peace On Earth Through Prayer" which was published in the Dec. 16 issue of the North Baton Rouge Journal.

During the war he produced a song for use during the bond drives, "Our True Liberty," and an inspirational melody for the GI's "Daddy Received His 1-A Card Today."

"Mac" McComb Is Selected to Be Office Supervisor



B. N. McComb was appointed office manager, Jan. 3, to fill the vacancy created when Randolph Charlton transferred to New York.

"Mac" is widely known throughout the plant. He transferred here Oct. 5, 1936, when the present site of the plant was a field and construction had not yet started. After working with the construction forces in a supervisory capacity for one year, he joined the purchasing group.

Was in Purchasing

He had been special assistant to Purchasing Section Manager "Chuck" Colvin prior to his assignment to his current position.

McComb is a native of Augusta County, Va., and a graduate of Waynesborough High School.

Baseball and football have always been his favorite sports. In fact, he put in several summers with semi-pro baseball leagues in West Virginia as a first baseman before he settled down to "making a living."

One of First Here

He and Mrs. McComb, who is the former Helen McHenry, live at their 1742 Ingleside Street home.

When he is not attending a football or baseball team, he may well be busy with his Masonic Lodge activities because he is both a Shriner and a 32nd Degree member.

"I am the only man left on the plant of the group who came here Oct. 5, 1936 when construction started," McComb will tell you when he reminisces.

Plant Personalities

A native Virginian who began safety work in the coal mines 33 years ago, is our personality for February. Dan Read will begin his fourteenth year of company service on the 8th day of this month.



Dan was born in Virginia's Bedford County on June 4, 1893, and attended V.P.I. at Blacksburg, Va.

He came to Ethyl as an electrical foreman in construction during February of 1937 and when the Sodium Plant started Dan went over to operations where he worked in the rectifier house. In 1945 Dan was transferred to the Safety Department and became Safety Engineer for the Sodium Area.

Dan's outside activities still reflect his interest in safety work after 20 years, as an active Red Cross First Aid instructor. A member of the Episcopal Church and Masonic Lodge, Dan was instrumental in founding the Pelican Safety Association and today is one of Ethyl's champion

"chairmen." He's Chairman of the Accident Prevention Committee for the American Red Cross; Chairman of the Health and Safety Committee for the Is-trouma Area Boy Scouts; and Chairman of the American Legion Nicholson Post No. 38 Health and Safety Committee and Pelican Safety Association Publicity Committee. He's also a member of the Ethyl Management Club.

Number 736 on North Street is home for Dan and Audrey Read, parents of Mary Gaines, Laura Moorman, and Maybeth. Mary Gaines is employed in the Development Lab.

Service Awards

20 Year

Harry F. Royal, TEL Operations

10 Year

Mark J. Bourgeois, Ethyl Chloride Engineering and Maintenance

Roy N. Clothier, Manager Operations Section

William O. Cathey, Sodium Operations

Henry C. McBunch, Sodium Operations

Robert E. Starnes, Sodium Operations

Freddie H. Watson, Sodium Operations

Charles B. Reed, Jr., TEL Engineering and Maintenance

Sidney B. Cowart, TEL Operations

Clayton McQ. Perkins, TEL Operations

John F. Thompson, Jr., TEL Operations

5 Year

Henry Traweek, Jr., Development Section

John J. Koch, Finance

Mary E. Magee, Finance

Julia Mae Heil, Plant and Employee Services

Jessie W. Hall, Sodium Operations

Emile J. Arceneaux, TEL Engineering and Maintenance

Richard L. Blackledge, TEL Engineering and Maintenance

Luther E. Hammack, TEL Engineering and Maintenance

Henry C. Lewis, TEL Engineering and Maintenance

Samuel L. Oakley, TEL Engineering and Maintenance

Clyde M. Cathey, TEL Operations

Richard P. Langlois, TEL Operations

Jewel E. Lee, TEL Operations

Virginia H. Morrison, TEL Operations

Mary J. Thom, TEL Operations

Labor

10 Year

Clarence Cook, Sodium

5 Year

Harry E. Dunlap, Production Planning

G. S. Robert in Calif. Supervising Building Plans

George S. Roberts transferred from Baton Rouge, Jan. 9, to Alhambra, Calif. He will coordinate engineering and planning activities with C. F. Braun and Company, who are to build our latest tetraethyl lead building.

The young engineer is a native of Lancaster, Mo., and a 1941 graduate of the University of Missouri where he received a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering.



KING AND LOUDON TRANSFER



When Bill King, left, transferred to TEL Operations as a day supervisor, Jan. 1, his former position as safety supervisor assigned to the TEL area was filled by Ed Loudon, who has many years of experience in tetraethyl lead manufacture.

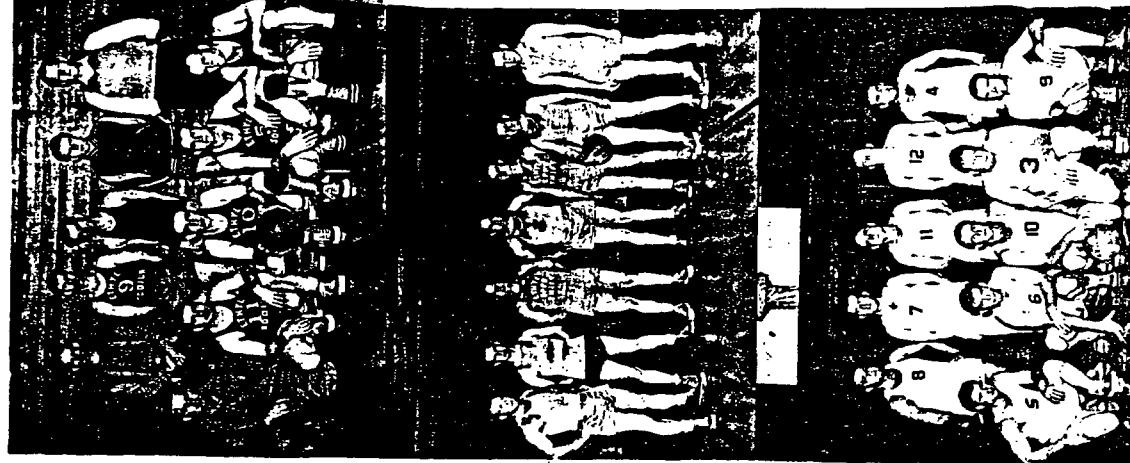
He joined the forces of the Ethyl research group in June, 1941, in Detroit; and transferred to Baton Rouge to a position with one of the technical groups during March, 1942. A year later he became an Ethyl Chloride maintenance engineer, and in 1945 stepped up the position of Ethyl Chloride area design engineer.

During the fall of 1946 he became design supervisor for the engineering unit of the Engineering and Maintenance Section.

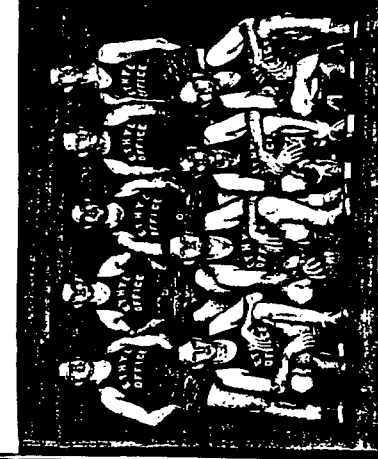
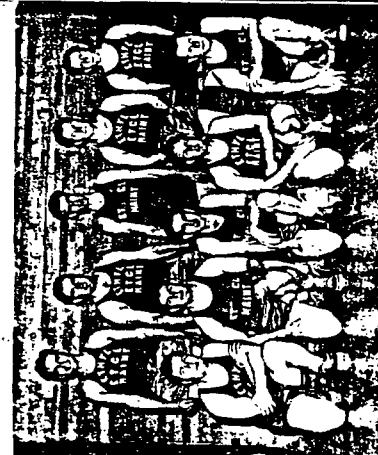
Revised Parking

The Patrol Force working in conjunction with the Safety Department initiated new parking regulations Jan. 1 to meet the increasing demands for parking space on the lot.

Incoming traffic enters at the Main Gate road rather than at the auxiliary entrances. This enables the plant personnel to park at the open spots nearest to the Gate House and speeds up both entrance and exit traffic.



INDUSTRIAL



Twenty teams have entered the American and National Leagues of the popular Industrial basketball loop, and of that number, ten are representing Ethyl.

In the American division are TEL Maintenance, Epps Shift, Sodium, Couey's Shift, and Development Lab who are competing with other squads including Kaiser Aluminum, Eppo Inspection, Eppo Refinery Lab, Eppo P&G, and Eppo Chemical Products.

Ethyl Chloride Operations, Brown's Shift, Ethyl Office, Ethyl Chloride Maintenance and Carville's Shift are competing in the National against Stone & Webster, Louisiana Creamery, Eppo CTS, and Eppo Main Office.

Standings in the two leagues at the close of the first two weeks of play were:

American League			National League		
Team	Won	Lost	Team	Won	Lost
TEL Maintenance	3	0	Stone & Webster	4	0
Kaiser Aluminum	2	0	Ethyl Chloride Operations	3	0
Eppo Inspection	2	0	Eppo M&G	2	0
Epps Shift	2	1	Louisiana Creamery	2	1
Sodium	2	1	Brown's Shift	2	1
Couey's Shift	1	1	Eppo CTS	1	2
Eppo Refinery Lab	1	1	Ethyl Office	1	2
Eppo PTS	0	3	Ethyl Chloride Maintenance	0	2
Development Lab	0	3	Eppo Main Office	0	3
Eppo Chemical Products	0	4	Carville's Shift	0	4

Seven of the ten Ethyl teams are shown above. The other three will be shown in the next issue.

Sodium

Front row, left to right: Bill Morris, manager; Harold W. Clements, Aubert Boudreaux, Herschel Erwin, and Enos M. Martin. Back row, left to right: Frank Pence, Wilson Gilmore, Riley Olinde, Louis W. Delehaye, and Arthur B. Schultz. Pence and Schultz were not dressed out because of slight injuries.

Ethyl Chloride Maintenance

(second from top left)
Front row, left to right: J. D. French, Willard Landry, J. S. "Shorty" Yarbrough, coach; Joseph Bryson, and Joe Whitehead. Back row, left to right: Wallace Nixon, Pryor Browning, John Lees, Jimmie Bishop, and Louis M. Perroux.

Office (third from top left)

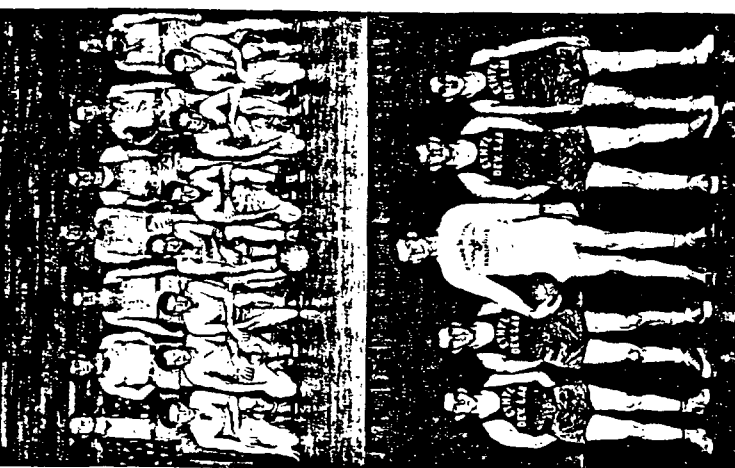
Front row, left to right: A. C. Adams, M. C. Milton, George Armonay, and C. H. Polito. Back row, left to right: John McMasters, E. L. Brown, Malcolm Griffith and Floyd Fife.

Epps Shift (center left)

Left to right: Carl G. Walker, Rob-

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BASKET BALL



11 POINTS TOPS IN DEER CONTEST



ERA President Joe Marrs gives Carey J. Vickers of TEL Maintenance a check for \$25 for the prize-winning 11 point buck he killed during the Thanksgiving holidays. The contest ended at the close of the season during January. Second highest was the 10 point buck killed by Paula Stogner and Frederick Guillory.

A RUN-OFF NECESSARY



T. W. Yarborough, Joe Stewart, and Ben Burge count the ballots cast in the ERA election held Jan. 17 through 24. Several tie votes necessitated area run-offs which were completed Jan. 31.

Keglers Reach Halfway Mark; Post Official Standings

Official team standings in the men's and girl's bowling leagues were released last month and the listings gave the Dodgers first place in the men's league by four games while the Sugar keggers held the top spot in the girls' standings by the thin margin of one game.

Competition begins anew at this time and winners of the first and second half will meet for the plant bowling championship at the season's end.

First half stands for all teams were as follows:

Men's League

Team	Won	Lost
Dodgers	35	21
Tigers	31	25
Athletics	30	26
Pirates	26	26
Browns	24	32
Indians	18	34

Women's League

Team	Won	Lost
Sugar	12	6
Cotton	11	7
Orange	7	11
Rose	6	12

Members of the Sugar girls team are, Mary Walsh, captain; Wanda Garrot; May Morgan; Nellie Prewitt; Mary Read. The Dodgers' team is made up of, "Lou" Snyder, captain; J. D. Adams, Harold Madden, Harry O'Connell; Douglas Price; G. S. Waldron; John Willard and Zachary Broussard.

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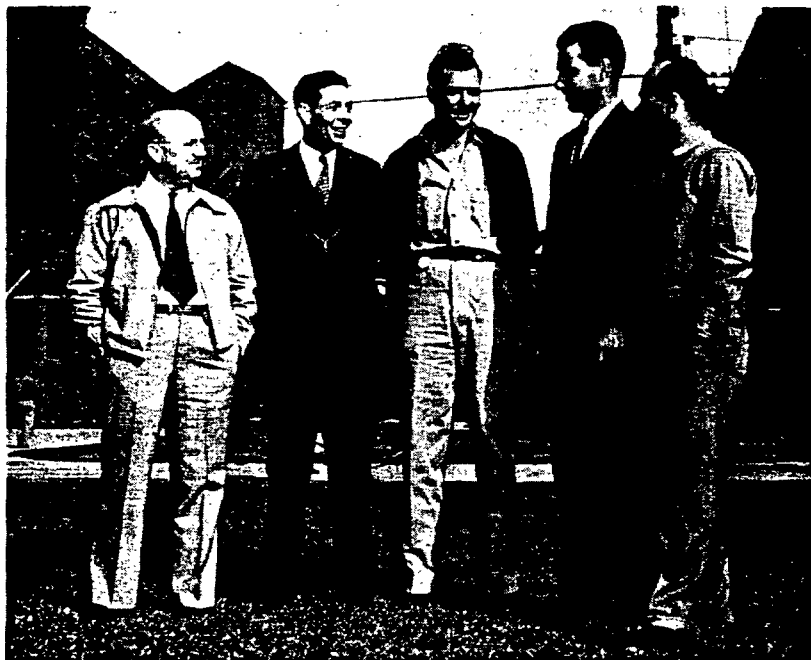
Maintenance Section, and Maintenance Department are to remain in very much the same locations as they presently occupy.

Definite assignments have not been made for other groups affected by this move.

Our new TEL Change House, also one of the most up-to-date buildings of its kind in the country, will provide locker space for approximately 500 employees. Completion of this building will provide improved Change House facilities in all of the TEL Area. Transfer of lockers into this building is planned with as little interruption of usage as possible.

R. P. Farnsworth & Co., of New Orleans constructed the Medical and Personnel building and Caldwell and McCann were the contractors for the Change House.

TOPS IN ERA BOWLING



At the close of the first half of the bowling season these five men had succeeded in taking most of the honors. K. L. "Army" Armstrong, left, was second in the league in three positions and third in one. His second place honors were: individual scratch game—238; individual total games—259; and individual scratch series—586. To this he added a third place individual total series score of 649. "Chuck" Colvin, second from left, was first in individual scratch series and individual total series with respective scores of 592 and 661. George Woest, center, was third in individual scratch games—225, and individual total games—251. John Willard, second from right, won first in individual scratch games and individual total games with 246 and 272 tallies. Carlo Polito took second place in individual total series with his 652.

Basketball—

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ert J. Anderson, Gordon James, Murphy Richardson, Sam L. Womack, Pete Humble, and Milton J. Guidry.

Ethyl Chloride Operations

(bottom left)

Front row, left to right: Joe D. Arrington, David E. Coyle, J. H. Sharkey, Jim Westbrook, and Roger W. McDougald. Back row, left to right: Rauman Browning, E. D. Mitchell, Luther E. Wall, Weldon W. Fortenberry, and Huey L. Boles.

Brown's Shift (center right)

Voyles, Robert Timman, Jerry Landry, Hardy Meredith, Arthur Achord, Sidney Gremillion, and Holcombe Browning. Back row, left to right: Emmett Falconer, coach; Jack Hastings, Clarence Bueche, Charles Garrison, Ivy Landry, David May, and Morgan Fremin, Jr.

Development Lab (lower right)
Harry Demouy, Jr., V. J. Maranto, Thomas Coerver, Clarence Aull, and Nick Guercio.

In 1945, the latest date for which figures are available, 71 per cent of this nation's oil producers (300,000 of them) were "stripper" or marginal wells which averaged 2.1 barrels per day. These producers accounted for 13.5 per cent of the nation's oil production that year.

Charlton Goes to New York; Heads Office Forces There

Randolph Charlton, formerly office supervisor here, transferred to New York to take charge of a new section, Jan. 3, which includes purchasing, stenographic, files, telephone and teletype, mailroom, receptionists, duplicating, and all other miscellaneous services in connection with the office.

He is a native of Lottie, a graduate of Baton Rouge High School, and an alumnus of LSU. During 1926 he was employed by Standard Oil Co. He worked for them until he transferred to Ethyl Corporation March 1, 1939 to become office manager of the Ethyl Chloride unit.

In Oct., 1941, he became chief clerk of the Purchasing Section—the position he held until entering military service during May, 1942.

During his 3½ years in the Navy he saw duty both in the U.S. and in the Pacific theater of operations as an executive officer.

After discharge, he became office supervisor here and served in that capacity until his recent transfer.

Waldron Checks New Cars



Gilbert S. Waldron, tank car inspector of Production Planning, recently spent over a month in Sharon, Penn., supervising the construction of 30 small tank cars to be used in shipping "Ethyl" antiknock compound. General American Transportation Corporation was building the cars. Waldron transferred here from Deepwater a year ago and has 16 years service with the company.



HENRY TRIPLETS



Gayle, Grace, and Gay are the three-year-old triplet daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Merrick Henry. Merrick says that actually they are all the same size, and Gay—right—looks bigger only because she was closer to the camera. Henry is a TEL Operations employee.

Stirling, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Stirling Busse, born Jan. 5 at Our Lady of the Lake. Stirling, Sr. is an Ethyl Chloride Control Lab. employee.

James Michael, son of Mr. and Mrs. Casey J. Hendrix, born Dec. 3, at Our Lady of the Lake. Casey is a member of TEL Operations.

Bonney Ross, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow W. Kinchen, born Dec. 3 at Gonzales Hospital. Woodrow is in Ethyl Chloride Maintenance.

Frederick Louis, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick L. Allain, born Dec. 4. Frederick, Sr. is an Ethyl Chloride Stores employee.

William G., son of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Hutton, born Dec. 6 at Our Lady of the Lake. Hutton is a TEL Operations employee.

Beryl, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James M. Griffith, born Dec. 7. James is in Finance.

Rose Marie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Millet, born Dec. 8 at Our Lady of the Lake. Earl is in the TEL Control Lab.

Robert Lowell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Cantrell, born Dec. 10, at the Desportes Clinic in Bogalusa. Cantrell is in TEL Maintenance.

Clarence W., Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence W. Leake, born Dec. 10 at Our Lady of the Lake. Clarence, Sr., is a TEL Maintenance employee.

Horace Wayne, son of Mr. and Mrs. Franklin L. Elkins, born Dec. 11 at Our Lady of the Lake. Franklin is in TEL Maintenance.

Rudolph J., Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph J. Pourciau, born Dec. 12 at Our Lady of the Lake. Rudolph, Sr., works in the Development Lab.

Nancy Ann, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Blackwell, born Dec. 13 at the Baton Rouge General. Marvin is a TEL operator.

Emily Ann, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Z. Rushing, born Dec. 15 at Our Lady of the Lake. Edward is in TEL Maintenance.

David Lynn, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph C. Martin, Jr., born Dec. 17 at Our Lady of the Lake. Joseph is employed in Ethyl Chloride Operations.

Larry Roy, son of Mr. and Mrs. James R. Wilson, born Dec. 17 at Our Lady of the Lake. James is in TEL Maintenance.

Jimmie Brent, son of Mr. and Mrs. James W. Walker, adopted Dec. 18. James is a TEL operator.

Darlene Carol, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry M. Hebert, born Dec. 18 at Our Lady of the Lake. Henry is a TEL operator.

Paul Marcel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marcel J. Landry, born Dec. 18 at Our Lady of the Lake. Marcel is a foreman in TEL Operations.

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University Night Classes Listed for Second Term— To Begin on February 7

Second-term night classes at Louisiana State University will begin February 7th, announces Dr. J. W. Brouillette, extension division director, with a wide variety of courses offered for credit or non-credit.

Ranging all the way from woodworking to social psychiatry, classes are being given by the colleges of agriculture, arts and sciences, commerce, education and engineering; library, music and social welfare schools.

Registration will start Jan. 24, and continue through February 5th. Hours for registration, at 103 David Boyd Hall, will be 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily. From Jan. 31, the hours will be extended to 4:30 p.m., and 6:30 to 8:30 at night.

A full list of courses offered, cost and schedule times, may be obtained by writing the General Extension Division, LSU, for the spring bulletin.

Pink and Blue—

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Danya Eugenie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel L. Lefebvre, born Dec. 21 at Plaquemine Sanitarium. Daniel is a TEL operator.

Robert Joseph, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd G. Rachal, born Dec. 21 at Our Lady of the Lake. Lloyd is in TEL Maintenance.

Linda Lee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank R. Groves, born Dec. 24 at the Baton Rouge General. Groves is a TEL operator.

James Henry, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. James H. Sanders, born Dec. 25 at Our Lady of the Lake. Sanders is an Ethyl Chloride Maintenance employee.

Brenda Catherine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Morris V. Raborn, born Dec. 27 at the Baton Rouge General. Morris is a TEL operator.

James R., Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. James R. Magee, born Dec. 27 at Our Lady of the Lake. Magee is a TEL operator.

Sheila Gayel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Toney T. Arrington, born Dec. 28 at the Baton Rouge General. Arrington is in TEL Operations.

Boles, Garrot Take Bowling Honors



Halle Boles won two of the three honors in the first half of the Girls' Bowling League with her high average of 150 and high series of 480. Wanda Garrot took the high game with 182.

Patrick Lloyd, son of Mr. and Mrs. Berlin M. Mack, born Jan. 1 at the Baton Rouge General. Mack is in TEL Maintenance.

Jackson F., Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Jackson F. Stockwell, born Jan. 3 at Our Lady of the Lake. Stockwell is a TEL operator.

Imogene Marie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James C. DeLotte, born Jan. 5 at the Baton Rouge General. DeLotte is in TEL Maintenance.

Pistol Team Wins Rifle Match In Police Range Competition

In a city-wide rifle match which was held on Jan. 9, members of the plant pistol team won five of the ten medals awarded. Ethyl participants in the match, which took place at the State Police range, with their placings were: Paula Stogner, tied for second; Dan McDonald, fourth; Louis Menville, seventh; Thad Bridges, eighth; and Jim Bridges, tenth.

There were some 44 participants in the match. Twenty-two calibre rifles were used at fifty yards, firing off-hand.

The Welcome Mat

It's a pleasure to welcome these new Ethyl employees. Hired during the period Dec. 20 to Jan. 20 were:

CONNIE B. MARY
2065 Ferndale Ave.....Typist (Pool) Adm. P&ES
Baton Rouge, La.

HAZEL F. PATE
758 Main Street.....PBX Oper. Adm. P&ES
Baton Rouge, La.

EMILE D. DELAUNE
2650 Zeeland Ave.....Civil Engineer Adm. Proc. Engineering
Baton Rouge, La.

EARL H. RACHAL
4532 Winbourne St.....Typist Clerk (Files) Adm. P&ES
Baton Rouge, La.

WILLIAM A. ROLSTON, JR.
1246 Convention St.....Purchasing Engineer Adm. Purchasing
Baton Rouge, La.

LYMNA L. KIRBY
Deerford, La.Oper. Hlpr. 2/c TEL Oper.

VERGIL CARRIERE
2522 Spain Street.....Laundry Oper. 3/c TEL P&ES
Baton Rouge, La.

JOHN P. SCHISSEL
1517 North 33rd St.....Stores Helper 3/c TEL P&ES
Baton Rouge, La.

ALLAIN J. ARBOUR, JR.
4341 Clayton Drive.....Mech. Helper 3/c SOD E&M
Baton Rouge, La.

JOSEPH M. CAZES
P. O. Box 77.....Mech. Helper 3/c SOD E&M
Addis, La.

GUICE A. GIAMBRONE
656 North 9th St.....Mech. Helper 3/c TEL E&M
Baton Rouge, La.

WILLIAM E. HAGUE
2949 Sherwood Dr.....Mech. Helper 3/c SOD E&M
Baton Rouge, La.

RICHARD A. KINNEY
2446 Orpine Ave.....Mech. Helper 3/c TEL E&M
Baton Rouge, La.

ALVIN A. RANDO
2576 Osceola St.....Mech. Helper 3/c SOD E&M
Baton Rouge, La.

THOMAS S. REILY, III
2146 Cherry St.....Mech. Helper 3/c TEL E&M
Baton Rouge, La.

CHARLES R. SMITH
247 South 19th St.....Mech. Helper 3/c TEL E&M
Baton Rouge, La.

GORDON L. SMITH
3125 Pimpernel Ave.....Mech. Helper 3/c SOD E&M
Baton Rouge, La.

PAUL D. SMITH
247 South 19th St.....Mech. Helper 3/c TEL E&M
Baton Rouge, La.

JOHN T. CLARKE
3021 Riley St.....Chemist Adm. Development
Baton Rouge, La.

Hebert Is President

Pelican Safety Group

Carroll Hebert has been elected president of the Pelican Safety Association for the 1949 term succeeding Bill Heck, who was 1948 president.

Dan Read was appointed chairman of the publicity committee and will serve on the membership committee. F. M. Porch was reappointed chairman of the school safety committee to serve his third consecutive term. He is also a member of the mutual aid group and is to represent the association on the Inter-Civic Club Council.

Lorio Heads First Aid

Ed Lorio was appointed chairman of the first aid committee. Bill Heck is chairman of the legislative committee and a member of the executive group.

William S. Smith will serve on the Traffic Committee; Bob Palmer has been assigned to the recreation and playground safety committee; and William F. McCarthy is serving on the building code committee.

Hebert stated that the association has made definite advancements in community safety standards since its inception in 1944. He cited the school safety patrol system which the association was instrumental in organizing and pointed out that the group has been active in the establishment of a mutual aid system to be used in time of disaster.

Study Industrial Injuries

The association also discussed individual plant injuries so that other industries can benefit from the cause of accidents occurring at one of the plants.

They are currently formulating playground safety rules.

"The expansion of the city has increased our field of activity," the new president said, "but I feel confident that the Pelican Safety Association will continue unabated in its efforts to make our community a safe place in which to live. Any individual interested in accident prevention is invited to join."

Former Employee Dies

George W. Chavers, a former Ethyl Chloride operator, was killed with 13 others in Seattle, Wash., Jan. 2, when the DC-3 plane he was flying crashed.

The former employee worked here from March, 1941, through March, 1946, when he resigned to enter private aviation. During the war, while on military leave from the plant, he was a pilot in the Air Corps.

Chavers was owner and operator of the Lakima Sky Chief Passenger and Freight Service, and was flying one of the organization's planes at the time of the crash.

He is survived by his wife, the former Dot Fryoux of this city, and one daughter—Michael, four.

Numismatist Displays Valuable Hobby



Forbest and Donald J. Chappuis look over the large collection of coins.

Roman Coins Made Over 1500 Years Ago Among Collection of Carroll J. Forbes

When a U. S. Treasury engraver errs in creating the die for a government coin he literally "catches old billy" from his boss but at the same time numismatists throughout the country "rub their hands with glee." For another "special" for their large collection of rare money has been created.

Now in case you are wondering just what "numismatists" are, Webster defines them as persons who follow the science of studying coins, medals, tokens, and paper money, from the point of view of history, of art, of portraiture, and economics. In other words, "coin collectors."

Over 300 Pieces

Carroll J. Forbes, Development Section, is a numismatist. He's collected more than 300 pieces of U. S. money ranging in size and value from the one-half cent pieces to silver dollars. The oldest item in his foreign collection is a Roman coin which was made "prior to 350 A.D."

Carroll is treasurer of the Baton Rouge Coin Club and a member of the American Numismatics Association.

Another highly prized coin in Carroll's possession is his Spanish "piece of eight" dated 1768. These Spanish coins were

used by American colonists and were the forerunner of our American dollar. Our standard unit of money was adopted from the "piece of eight."

Contrary to popular belief the value coin collectors place on money is not determined by age but by the condition and rarity of the coin. For instance, Carroll obtained his 350 A.D. Roman coins for a nominal sum because they are fairly plentiful.

Odd coins which will increase in value for Forbes from year to year are his half-cent pieces, two-cent and three-cent coins, half dimes and twenty-cent pieces. All of these were once in popular usage here in the United States.

Of all the coins Carroll possesses, he prizes most highly his Morgan dollar which is a proof coin—one made for collectors only.

Started at Nineteen

Carroll became interested in coin collecting when he was 19 years old. At this time he saw one of the large one-cent pieces which are no longer made. He had a yearning. The first piece of money he actually "collected" was an eight reals Mexican piece dated 1835 which was obtained as a swap for a silver ring. Several years passed before he obtained one of the large pennies.

It's 20 Years for Royal— All in TEL Production

On Feb. 15, Harry F. Royal will mark the completion of 20 years of service in the production of tetraethyl lead. He was one of the pioneers in the field hired Jan. 21, 1929, at the Deepwater Plant as a helper.

During 1934 he was made a foreman there, and on Aug. 13, 1937, he transferred to Baton Rouge as a building foreman. The next advances were to the positions of shift foreman in 1942, and day supervisor in Oct., 1945.

He and F.A. McCoy are currently liaison supervisors for the expansion and construction work in TEL Operations.

Royal has taken an active part in plant sports for years. He is a member of the Tiger Bowling Team and was on the skeet team when the sport was popular here. He also dedicates a large part of his spare time to quail hunting during the bird season.

He is a past president of the Management Club having served in that capacity during the 1947-1948 term.



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The four Royal children are Lewis, 22; Dorothy, 19; Rowena, 4; and Vivian, 1. Mrs. Royal is the former Lottie May Miller of Amite.

The family lives at their pretty 2908 Hollywood Drive home.

Today there are approximately 20 members of the Baton Rouge Coin Club and they meet regularly on the second Thursday night of each month. Carroll invites anyone interested in rare coins to attend one of their meetings.

TEL Group Completes 1948 With No Time Off for Accidents



Individuals who contributed to the outstanding safety record of Henry Falconer's group are, front row, left to right: Henry Falconer, foreman, James W. Walker, Woodrow W. Mahoney, Charles B. Holdcraft, Jr., Joseph F. Dupuy, Edward W. Sanchez, and Robert A. Lea. Second row, left to right: Edison A. Hurst, Clarence F. Womack, Herbert P. Marchand, Kirby J. Jones, Boyd Hood, and Clarence L. Summers. Third row, left to right: John H. Devall, Willie H. Bean, Jeff T. Bauer, Johnny A. Cornelius, Olvern I. Thompson, William L. Balis, Harold T. Landry, and James H. Wall.

Henry Falconer's group, Couey's shift, TEL Operations, completed 1948 with an enviable and outstanding safety record. During the entire year the group had only two precautionary and one minor injury with no majors or sub-majors.

In appreciation for the splendid record, Henry entertained the group with a fish supper at Magnolia Beach, Jan. 7.

Carroll Hebert, safety supervisor, said: "This shows the results of coordinated safety effort between the foreman and his men in their determination to eliminate accidents."

3% Dividend Given By Credit Union at Recent Annual Meet

The Ethyl Employees' Federal Credit Union declared a three per cent dividend at its annual meeting Jan. 17.

This is the third consecutive year that the organization had given the three per cent to its stockholders.

Plant to Receive NSC Highest Award For Distinguished Service to Safety

Our plant is to receive the National Safety Council's Distinguished Service to Safety Award. The presentation is to be made early in March at a meeting scheduled to be held in the "square" formed by the new Medical and Personnel building.

In his letter notifying Resident Manager C. W. Bond, of the award, New H. Dearborn, National President of the NSC, said, "This award is given only to those organizations which have

achieved an outstanding safety record. Your Baton Rouge Plant has demonstrated its eligibility to receive this award by operating 1,016,983 man-hours without a disabling injury from Sept. 10, 1948 to Nov. 7, 1948."

Major Injuries Decrease

A resume of the safety performance for 1948, which made this award possible, was compiled recently by Carroll Hebert, plant safety supervisor, and it listed a 32.5 per cent decrease in major (time-losing) injuries for the 12 months covered.

Over the same period, accident frequency, which is computed as the number of time-losing injuries per million man-hours worked, dropped by 40 per cent.

Hebert attributed the improvement shown in the plant's safety performance to cooperative spirit and keen interest in accident prevention on the part of the employees and management.

Lester J. Hitchcock and Wallace Mixon were elected as new members to the Board of Directors. H. D. Cook and Alvin Hubbs were re-elected. Other members, serving unexpired terms, include M. D. Stiles, Jack Mills, and "Tinker" Harrell.

Refreshments and a movie of one of the L.S.U. football games afforded the entertainment for the evening.



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Plant To Receive Top N.S.C. Safety Award



J. W. Marrs and Mrs. Julian Bennett reign as king and queen of the Carnival Ball.

King Tetra – Queen Ethyl I Are Crowned; All Agree First Carnival Ball is Success

J. W. Marrs and Mrs. Julian Bennett were crowned King Tetra I and Queen Ethyl I at the Management Club's First Annual Carnival Ball on Feb. 25.

Some 350 costumed members of the club were in attendance at the Skyline Roof for the coronation and ensuing celebration. Dan Read, of the Safety Department, who evidently came as

Miss Ponchatrain Beach of 1904, won first prize in the men's costumes and Mrs. Morgan Many, dressed as "Sis" Hopkins, with wig, blacked-out teeth and pontaloons was voted as the best dressed among the women.

Members of the court, who reigned with the King and Queen for a night,

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Presentation Ceremony Scheduled for March 9

During 1948 our Plant Expansion program was going ahead at full speed. Crowded working conditions existed. Yet, on March 9 we are to receive the highest National Safety Council honor, the Distinguished Service to Safety award.

Given as recognition of our '48 safety record, the presentation will be made in the Medical and Personnel building square at 2:30 p.m.

Arthur J. Naquin, Safety Counselor for New Orleans Public Service Commission, is to present the award. Naquin is Past Chairman of the NSC's Transit Section and a member of the Section's Executive Committee.

Fifth in State to Receive Award

Since it was inaugurated in 1942, as a wartime incentive, some 184 organizations have received the Distinguished Service award and Ethyl is the fifth Louisiana plant to receive this top honor.

Carroll Hebert, Plant Safety Supervisor, reported a 77 per cent increase in the number of employees since December of 1945 and a 57 per cent decrease in accident frequency over the same period.

The most remarkable part of the improved Plant safety performance occurred in 1948 when the actual number of time-losing injuries decreased 33 per cent and frequency dropped 40 per cent. Accident frequency is figured as the number of accidents per million man hours worked.

Safety Stressed During '48

Among the highlights of the Plant's '48 record was the plant-wide Safety Contest which ended in July. Alvin D. Hubbs, P. & E. S., was the grand prize winner. An accident prevention training program, under the direction of Train-

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