



# GATES STUDIO REVIEW

GATES RADIO COMPANY, QUINCY, ILLINOIS, SEPTEMBER, 1954

## WFIG, Sumter, S. C., Goes 1 Kilowatt



Sales Engineer Dick Spruill comes through with another fine order down in the south. Pictured above are Dick, Mr. F. B. Creech, Jr., Commercial Manager, and Mr. Doug Youngblood, General Manager, watching while Mr. F. B. Creech, Sr., President of WFIG, Inc., signs the contract for new 1 Kilowatt equipment with a three-tower array. In addition to the stepping up of power, this signing also called for the celebration of WFIG's 14th birthday. Congratulations to you, Mr. Creech, and all of your associates.

## Profit Sharing Pass Books Distributed For This Year

A short time ago all participants in the Gates Employees Profit Sharing Plan received their pass books carrying the new entry for the sharing of the profits for the year ending May 31, 1954. This year's entry was a very pleasant surprise as it was \$2.4718 per unit as compared to last year's unit value of \$2.2364.

In addition to this year's sharing, there was also the entry for the interest earned on the first year's entry. This increment which came from interest and also the relinquishments from accounts of terminated participants amounted to better than 10% of the first year's entry.

The distribution has brought many fine comments and reports. Everyone was quite enthused and elated over the amounts credited to their account. In fact, because of it, the Profit Sharing Plan has taken on a new meaning for all of us. Now, we're beginning to see just what this plan can mean

to all of us as we continue to add to it during the years.

Naturally, future additions are dependent upon the status of the Company, but we all have a great deal to say about that because through our own efforts we can guide and direct Our Company to bigger and greater things in the years to come. We're all out to make the year ending May 31, 1955, still a greater year for the Gates Radio Company and also for the Gates Employees Profit Sharing Plan.

## Welcome To Gates!

Here's a sincere "welcome" to those who have joined our organization during the past several weeks. Let's all help them in every way we can so they will get started off on the "right foot" in their new work with Gates. Betty Collins, Helen Straley and Patsy Masters are new members of the Quincy office, and Nora Meyers is the new secretary at our Los Angeles Store. Good luck!

## Personnel Changes Addition and Promotions

On July 6, Bill Clithero, Jr., joined our sales department as Manager of Branch Store Operations located in



Houston, Los Angeles, and Atlanta. Bill comes into this new position well qualified to do a big job because of his past experiences in comparable fields of work.

Mrs. Clithero, Valarie, and son, Paul, arrived in Quincy with Bill during the 4th of July weekend and before many days had past, they had moved into their new home located at 3214 College Avenue in the new Cedar Crest Addition.

A hearty welcome to the Clitheros.  
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## Fern Samples Stands A Watch At WRMN, Elgin, Illinois



Recently WHMN, Elgin, Illinois, replaced a composite transmitter with a Gates BC500GY. During a day's interim while the Gates RCM-14 Remote Control was being transferred to the new transmitter, Fern Samples, one of the few women to hold a first class license, stood a watch at the transmitter. The next day, following the completion of the installation, Fern was back at her copy writing desk handling her regular duties.

→ Quality **PLUS** makes **GATES** a **MUST** →



## Les Petery Visits Old Friends and Relatives

Here are a couple of pictures taken by Les Petery of our engineering department. Les and Mrs. Petery spent their vacation back in Pete's old stomping grounds in Montana and in other parts of the west. The first snapshot shows Mrs. Petery throwing



a snowball at someone, but it must not have been at her husband as he was on the other end of the camera. This was taken in Rocky Mountain National Park in Colorado. We think the other picture shown here is one of Pete's ancestors. The gentleman in



question, Club Foot George, was formerly one of the business men of Virginia City, Montana. During his time, Club Foot George and his business associates handled their establishments on the basis of giving the customer as little as possible for value received. In fact, they often completed their deals with the help of their trusty pistol. However, the irate customers completely and efficiently liquidated the local businesses and

## :: 10 Year Service Pins Presented ::

On June 11, 1954, Willard Lindsay wrapped up his first decade of service with Gates.

Will has worked in many different departments during his time and can tell many interesting experiences about the progress that has been made throughout the years. At the present time he is busy helping in the engineering development department.

In addition to working with radio from 8 to 5, Will keeps on with it after hours as a ham operator. In fact, a few months ago the local Quincy paper carried an article to tell how Will had been awarded membership in the DX Century Club because he had made two-way short-wave radio contact with at least 100 countries of the world.

He is also a member of the Gates Men's Bowling League.

Will's family consists of Mrs. Lindsay, Alma, and Gene 13.

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August 10, 1954, marked the tenth anniversary of J. R. "Ike" Eickmeyer.

Most of these ten years have been spent in the sales department helping with the many phases of mailings made to our customers and sales engineers. A great deal of his time is also spent in looking after the printed matter used in sales promotion work.

Ike is quite well known in Quincy tennis circles—in fact he was the 1953 city singles champion and he and his partner also won the doubles championship. He says that he has entered his last singles tournament but is in there again this year in the doubles. Holding these titles is nothing new to Ike because he has won several others in years past.

Probably all the girls know this, but for the benefit of the new girls, Ike is still single. Let's get busy, ladies!

business men by means of rope and the most convenient tree limb or barn gable.

Needless to say, the continued growth of Gates Radio Company has been because we have always practiced a policy that is directly opposite of Pete's friends and kinfolks, and have always delivered value as solid and sound as those big round silver dollars so prevalent in the west.

On August 26, 1954, Roger Bolt received his 10-year pin.

During these 10 years, Rog has worked in many different departments. Since spending the first 3½ years in drafting he has helped with practically all phases of wiring and assembly. At the present time, he is the Assistant Foreman in charge of the Cable Shop where all of our cables are made.

Rog tells us that his spare time is spent fishing as often as he can make it. He also is a member of the Gates Bowling League, and for the past few years has been active in our Credit Union where he presently is holding down the president's job.

The other member of the Bolt family is Mrs. Bolt, Pearl.

## News from Glenn's Department

By Elva Watts

Vacation trips were taken by Velma Balzer and her husband who went to Pine River Minnesota to do some fishing; Amelia George and her husband spent a weekend in the Ozarks fishing; and Martha Hesse is spending a month in California to get acquainted with her new granddaughter. Frosty Fuller also has a new granddaughter and spent part of her vacation baby sitting with the new arrival.

We are glad to see Hazel Brinkman back with us after she spent several weeks in the hospital this spring and after also spending several weeks at home convalescing. Hazel wishes to express her appreciation for the flowers and many cards sent her during her illness.

Gertrude Gish is now on the sick list after having an operation. However, it is nice to know she is getting along okay and will probably be completely well real soon.

## Engineering Development News

By Esther Enlow

The John Anderson family spent their vacation in Indiana, where they did a lot of fishing. John even admitted that his wife caught the biggest fish.

Willard Lindsay and family took in the St. Louis Zoo and were also State Fair visitors; Freda Campbell didn't get too far away from home as she and her mother visited with relatives in Macomb; and Esther Enlow didn't get away from her home at all—she just loafed.



## VACATION NEWS . . . . . from the Office

Once again, for most of us, vacation is a memory, but is surely a fine memory. It is something we can all think about all winter long, and I'm sure many are already planning just a little bit the trip they will take next August.

Probably our Champion Traveler is Lois Recker and her friend, Marilyn Petery, who were all over the western and northwestern part of our country. They traveled about 8,000 miles and finished up the job of having visited in all 48 states. Carl Holtman was also in Texas and Los Angeles. Other California visitors were Marge Clem, Marcy Hayden and Dotty Sloan. Marge and Marcy accidentally met Dotty while they were taking a trip to Catalina Island. Dotty also spent some time in the Canadian Rockies and enjoyed a lot her stay at Lake Louise.

Clara Taylor was in Albuquerque, New Mexico, Grand Canyon and Colorado Springs. Marge and Marcy



must have been hard to miss because Clara saw them at Grand Canyon and they had a picture taken at the lodge there to record the event.

Colorado was a popular spot for many. The P. S. Gates family spent their time in the Estes Park vicinity, Norma Buck and her husband motored to Rocky Mountain National Park, Denver and Colorado Springs area, and were also in the Black Hills in South Dakota and in Cheyenne, Wyoming. Bob, Billie and Dick Richards took their vacation a couple of weeks early and enjoyed the Colorado scenery but didn't care too much for a couple of blowouts. Ruth Richards and some friends wound up their trip in Rocky Mountain National Park, Denver, and Colorado Springs after touring the Black Hills, Yellowstone Park and Salt Lake City.

A. S. Petzoldt particularly enjoyed the portion of his vacation which found him in Chicago serving as a special guide at the Bahai Temple. This was in connection with the attending delegates from the World Council of Churches, which Mr. Pet-

zoldt also attended. He met many church dignitaries from all over the world. Grace Daniel was also in Chicago attending a convention, where she was installed as 8 et 40 Chapeau of the Adams County Salon 167 of the American Legion Auxiliary.

Urlin Whitman and his family drove to Canada where they visited with his brother and also took a look at Niagara Falls. Maxine Bean and family spent one week in Michigan visiting relatives and another week moving into their new home. Juanita Berry, her husband and daughter were in Chicago, into Indiana, St. Louis and also the State Fair at Springfield, where they saw President Eisenhower. Other State Fair visitors were Darlene Beeler, who also spent a weekend in Kansas helping her brother get married; Roy Bush and his wife, who got a real "close up" look at Ike at the fair when they were both making their entrance; and Art Myers and family.

Larry Cervone mixed business with pleasure a bit in the east but did spend some time in his home city of New York just relaxing on the beach. Betty Newberry was also an eastern visitor, spending some time with her sister in New Jersey. Betty also made a trip to New York City.

Some had "stay at home" vacations and just took short trips to enjoy the local scenery and attractions. Short trips were made to St. Louis by Dick Eickmeyer and Tony Wheaton. Clara Hart visited in Indianapolis, Bob Fisher fished at Colchester Lake, and here's a picture of Betty Cate's sons,



David and Jim, to prove the Cate family had good luck at Argyle Lake. Helen Siebers attended the Adams County Fair and housecleaned. Luella

## Stock Room Notes

By John Kattelman

It seems that Minnesota and Wisconsin were the most popular vacation spots for stockroom personnel. The Al Mann family picked up their son and his family in Peoria and took a family fishing and camping trip into Minnesota and Wisconsin. The Art VandenBooms and Mrs. VandenBoom's parents were also in Minnesota and Wisconsin, fishing and visiting with Art's sister.

John, Esther and Ronnie Kattelman were also Wisconsin visitors, as they spent a week sightseeing in the Dells.

Kenny Hill, Turk Hill and their wives went to St. Louis and did some fishing and camping at a friends camp to complete their vacation.

Loren and Katherine Bohannon were in Michigan, Canada, and also stopped in Chicago to visit with Loren's mother.

Marvin and Alvina Rice spent their vacation moving to their new apartment. Fern Foster also moved to a new apartment during her vacation time. Hope your folks enjoy your new homes.

Snyder just sort of took it easy and visited friends and relatives in the area.

Gladys Dickhut and her family circled their Buick around both coasts of Florida, and this picture shows Gladys taken in the surroundings of



Ft. Myers. The John Bowers were also Florida vacationers. Pat Taylor and a friend visited friends at Ft. Bliss, Texas, where they say everything was blissful. Velma Smith was also in Texas, back home visiting with her family and friends.

We won't mention the names of those who said they stayed at home and slept—you can try to figure that out for yourself. We don't want to fail to mention Marge Pippenger who made a trip to Blessing Hospital for a rather unpleasant vacation, but who is now much better, and Neal Harvey, who evidently spent his time growing that cute mustache. Yes, it was a fine vacation for most of us, and perhaps the way to close this story is with the old saying about vacations coming in a succession of 2's—consisting of 2 weeks, which are 2 short. Afterward you are 2 tired 2 return 2 work but 2 broke not 2.



# Annual Family Picnic Attended by 650

On Tuesday evening, July 27, some 650 Gates people and families and guests gathered at South Park for the annual Gates family picnic. The ladies of the Paloma Methodist Church were on hand again to take care of the first order of business — a fried chicken dinner with all the trimmings.

As soon as the platters of giblets and boxes of ice cream bars had been passed, the large crowd started splitting up into several groups to take part in the evening's activities.

One of the biggest attractions was the choose-up softball game in charge of our company's softball manager, Harold Laws. Anyone who wanted to play was put on the field so at times it was difficult for the batter to even see an open spot for a hit—let alone hitting one there. Who won? No one knows but a good time was had by all, even though there were plenty of sore muscles at work the next day.

Lee Slates was all set for the horseshoe pitchers but the interest seemed to be too great in other activities. The horseshoe champion is still to be named.

Once again the ping pong tables were busy scenes from prior to dinner to well after dark. When John Beckgerd started loading the equipment in his truck, he finally found the second table over in the shelter house where the lights had been turned on. Each year some new talent turns up in this game. Former city tennis champion Dick Eickmeyer proved to be pretty handy with the small version of the tennis game and several went away shaking their heads over George Hanawalt's serve.

Attached to the picnic identification badges for the children were the free ride tickets for the rides located in the park. The only time a child was seen back around the central area was when he had run out of tickets and was back for more. In fact, we understand that a few parents had trouble getting Junior to go home because he still had a couple of tickets left.

On the less strenuous side of the evening's activity was the free bingo game in charge of Cecilia Fisk, John Maxwell, Dorothy Sloan, Gladys Dickhut, Alvina Rice, Olive Schulte, Hilda Bocke, Mary Ellen Rupp, Rosemond Turner, Ruby Kindhart, Gerry Bonness, Fern Foster, Elma Hobbs, Marjorie Spencer, and Frances Tharp. There was a great deal of interest in trying for one of the many fine prizes given away.

### Gates Employees Credit Union Announces 2% Dividend

One of the special events of the evening was a special guessing contest sponsored by the Employees Credit



Bill Hoyt and Hardin Stratman getting all set with chicken and trimmings.



The credit union guessing, I don't know—h



Harold Laws and Ken French giving Art Brown and Bob Johnson a ping pong lesson—or vice versa?



Marilyn Stieghorst and Marcella Edge



Pass the giblets! Where are the ice cream bars?



Ball two—



Under B—Number 18!



A new kind of ball g



Say! Do you have any more tickets?



Carl and Mrs. Smith





had many of us stumped. Why do you think?



Mrs. Larry Cervone and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Colvin entertain our Dumont guests, Mr. R. I. Brown and R. F. Bigwood.



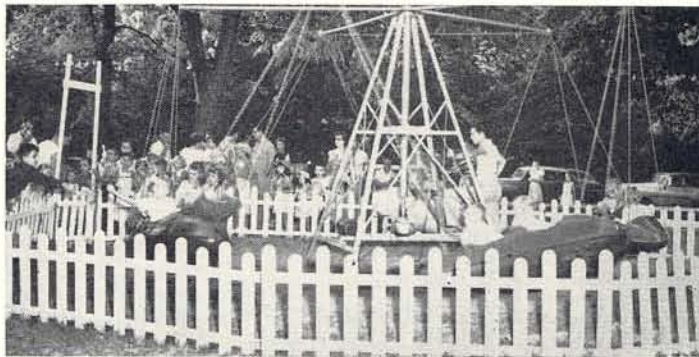
ick Schnier fighting it out and Dick Eickmeyer.



How did Carl Gray and John Bowers get to the head of the line?



nd outside!



Hey Pop, watch me take off in this jet!



no batter or catcher?



1954 Hot Rods in action!



ng for a place to sit.



Sure wish I had brought my fishing pole!

Union. All employees were asked to guess on the number of pieces of candy in a jar. Chief Engineer, Francis Wenturn came through with the closest guess and for a prize, he was presented with a \$5 share in his credit union savings account.

When President Roger Bolt announced the winner, he also announced the paying of a special 2% dividend on all share accounts as of March 31, 1954.

During the evening, Jim Havermale provided music and also sound equipment facilities for the free bingo and special announcements with his sound equipped jeep.

Because of the temperature of the evening, John Anderson found that he had a big job in looking after the dispensing of hundreds of ice cream bars and bottles of soda. These stands were kept busy until well after dark.

All of the adjoining pictures, as well as many others, were taken by company photographer, Bob Fisher.

Toward the end of the evening's activities, everyone seemed to gather back at the picnic tables for the drawing for the door prizes. This year several different prizes were given—some for the children as well as the adults. Kenneth Ballow, Urlin Whitman, Carol Jochem, Patsy Marie Havermale, Peggy Maddox, and Pearl Creech were the winners.

Many comments were made about the good work that had been done in getting the park ready for this big affair. Those helping on this big job were Bob Flotkoetter, Art Bocke, Bob Hickerson, Chuck Taylor, Harry Laird, Bill Perry, Junior Hudnut, and Elvin Ballow.

Special guests included our company attorney, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Lewis, and R. F. Bigwood and R. I. Brown, Manager and Assistant Manager of the General Engineering Department of the Dumont Television Network of New York City.

As darkness completely covered the park about 9 p. m., the 1954 family picnic came to a close with many stopping by for a last ice cream bar or soda. The Personnel Department handled the general committee arrangements.

Those rainy days for which a man saves usually come during his vacation.

Give some people an inch and they think they are the ruler.

**SYMPATHY**

We wish to express our sincere sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Jochem and family on the death of their infant son.



## Adams County Mobile Industrial X-Ray Survey Once Again Starts at Gates



On Monday morning, July 12, the industrial unit of the Mobile X-Ray started the survey of Quincy industry at our 2nd and Hampshire street plant. In less than two and one-half hours, practically our entire personnel had taken advantage of this free service.

Pictured above on the left is the cable shop people getting registered and on the right, Mrs. Betty Brockhouse is getting Dee Pusey in position for her X-Ray.

### Test Laboratory News

By George Hanawalt

Don Hubbard vacationed with fishing, boat riding and swimming in the Mississippi around Quincy and Saver-ton. The Omer Waltons took a two-day journey through Chicago, where they visited the zoos, planetarium, art museum and other points of interest. Their trip took them as far as Waukegan.

Other Chicago visitors were the Dick Wellmans, who paid a visit to Dick's brother in Chicago and enjoyed fishing and swimming in the DuPage River. They also visited St. Louis where they took in the Muncy Opera featuring Oklahoma. Jim Wells and his lady spent a two-day trip in the Ozarks where they visited Bagnell Dam and did some swimming and souvenir hunting. At home Jim got involved with working on his house but did get time off occasionally to play ball. Les Slates expended five days of his vacation visiting friends in Muscatine, Iowa and in Wisconsin. Arriving home, he tore down a shed, which proved to be a bit painful in that Les punctured his hand with a nail. George Hanawalt stayed pretty close to home, where he spent some time trying to improve the appearance of his front porch, not much in evidence yet, probably because too much of his time was spent sitting on the porch instead of working on it.

We are glad to see Anna Young back at work after spending quite a long siege in the hospital. Nice to know you are on your way to recovery, Ann.

### News from Sheet Metal And Allied Departments

By Virg Hall

New car owners at the new plant are Earl Penn, driving a Chevy, Jim Winking, who now has a Mercury and Charley Bridgman, the owner of a brand new Bel-Aire Chevrolet.

John Beckgerd has been having a good time with his new motor boat and motor.

Vacations were spent in varied ways by members of our department. Frank Bruening and his family took a long trip through the southwest and into Mexico. Olive Schulte was another southwestern and Mexico vacationer, while Bob Nixon headed in another direction for a Wisconsin trip.

Hank Anderson and his family were Detroit, Michigan, sightseers; Ken Weed and his family were visitors with relatives in Rock Island, and Rog and Mrs. Cave were in Chicago and in Indiana to see Mrs. Cave's folks.

Virg Hall was in Kansas City, did some fishing, and finished his two weeks by taking his family to Crave, Indiana, for a visit with his brother and family.

Ken Schuerman and his wife took in the state fair and Don Hamann and Al Rakers both stayed around home to do some work on their houses.

He wasn't on vacation, but Art Miller, our local American Legion Commander, spent some time in Chicago recently for the American Legion Convention.

### Personnel Changes Addition and Promotions

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September 7 was the day for Art VandenBoom to take over his new duties as Assistant Purchasing Agent, a position left open when Ray Jochem became Credit Manager.



Art's promotion came as no particular surprise because his eight years of work in the stockroom, with the last 7½ of those years as Foreman, certainly make him well qualified to handle his new duties.

Backing Art up at home are Mrs. VandenBoom, Mildred, Karen Jean 7, and Ronnie 4.

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September 7 was also the day for John Kattelman to move up from Assistant Foreman to Foreman of the stockroom. John will soon be celebrating his third anniversary with the company, during which time he has spent all of his activities in the stockroom.



The Kattelman family is quite a Gates family because Mrs. Kattelman, Esther, is in the accounting department. Their son, Ronnie 16, makes up the rest of the family.

Everyone joins us in wishing Art and John the best of everything in their new work.

### Cable Department Capers

By Clarence Kinder

Vacation trips were enjoyed by most of our people while Clarence Kinder and George (Snuffy) Fletcher relaxed at home for their good time. While in Michigan visiting Rose's sister, Rose and Elvin Ballow took in the Ford Museum and also visited in various parts of Canada. Dee Pusey was with her parents in Donaphin, Missouri and also got down into her "native" Arkansas. Mel Tucker spent his vacation in Lawrenceville, Illinois with his brother and family, and Bill Perry and his wife saw a lot of TV broadcasts in Chicago.

Ollie Guenseth became ill when visiting with her son and family in Galesburg and was unable to return to work for a week. Rog and Mrs. Bolt were in their home state—visiting the State Fair and Peoria. But mostly Rog fished, trying to get caught up on his favorite pastime. Any luck, Rog?



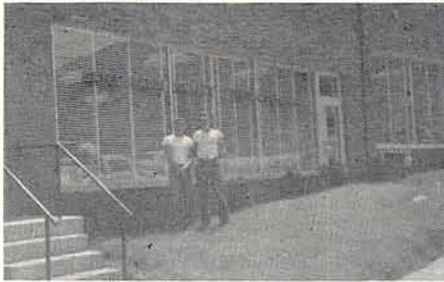
## Shipping Department Tidings

By Alvina Rice

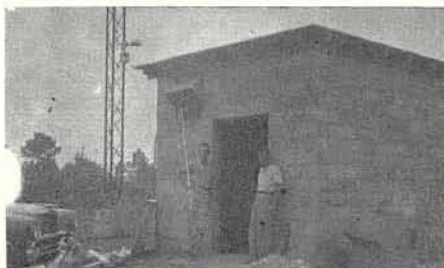
Vacations were spent in many ways by the people in shipping. Gib Allen was shooting at the poor squirrels over in Missouri, but we don't know too much about how many were shot. Dave Cantrell and his family visited friends in Moline, Illinois; Don Shepard spent his vacation at home with his family in Mt. Sterling.

Harold and Mrs. Bockhaus enjoyed a trip to St. Louis where they took in the zoo and museum. Chris Fuller, Vernon VanVelkinburgh and Ray Hudnut, Sr., spent their vacations at home—no doubt helping their wives with house cleaning, etc.? Bob Flotkoetter and his family journeyed to Kansas City for a few days and the balance of the time was spent at home just relaxing. No doubt some of that relaxing called for a few rounds of golf for Bob.

Ray Hudnut, Jr., Gene Howlett, both from shipping, and Glenn Foster foreman of one of our assembly departments, made an interesting tour of the southeastern section of our country. We're pretty sure watching Esther



Williams and company make a movie was interesting to the fellows, and will be long remembered by them. They made a stop at Atlanta, Georgia to see Howard Decker and his family, and were able to take a good look around the store and meet the other people there. Gene and Ray were glad to stop at Dalton, Georgia to see the folks at the Whitfield Broadcasting Company, as they had helped load some transmitting equipment which had been picked up from our plant



just before vacation time. The above pictures show Ray and Gene in front of the Atlanta Store, and Mr. Ken Flynt and Mr. Jim Honey of the Whitfield Broadcasting Company. We were glad to hear that everything's going fine for the Whitfield Broadcasting Company in their plans for their new station.

## Gates Softball Season Draws To a Close



Once again our Company was represented in the YMCA Industrial Softball League. There was much enthusiasm all during the year and even though we didn't have as many wins as we would like, we still had a successful season. Our boys entered the La Grange Invitational Tournament and came home with third place. The season closed with a Gates family night at the softball park on Wednesday night, September 1, with a 7-1 loss to the Gardner-Denver team.

The team members are as follows, kneeling from left to right, Gib Allen, Gene Howlett, Jr. Hudnut, Ronnie Murphree, Jim Havermale, Jim Wells, Rog Newell, Jim Gibson. Standing from left to right, Mgr. Harold Laws, Bob Richards, John Stutsman, Don Shepard, John Harrison, Fred Rourke and John Maxwell.

## Chatter from New Plant Assembly Department

By Ruth Wilkey

Harold Laws, Gene Hildebrandt, John Harrison, Dusty Rhodes and Dusty's father-in-law, Wiley McCain went to Minnesota for some fishing over the Memorial Day holiday. They reported lots of luck.

Aldo Vahle left for Camp Ripley, Minnesota for 2 weeks duration and while there he came down with the mumps. Aldo was confined to the hospital at Little Falls, Minnesota but we are glad to report that he is now back on the job, none the worse for the experience.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Kropf, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Ken Deming, vacationed in the Colorado Rockies; Bob Koetters and his brother visited the Black Hills country in the Dakotas and also toured Wyoming and Colorado; and John Harrison visited an old army buddy in Jackson, Mississippi during his vacation time.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Bocke were in San Fernando and Hollywood, California where they visited the Gates Radio Company store and also CBS and NBC studios where they heard Curt Massey and Martha Tilton sing.

Peggy Maddox spent some time at Pere Marquette State Park; Mr. and Mrs. John Maxwell and their children visited friends at Radio Station KDKK at Clinton, Missouri and at KNEM in Nevada, Missouri. They were also at KWRT, which is a new station at Boonville, Missouri. Mr. and Mrs. Larry Poor vacationed with their daughter and grandchildren in Milwaukee. They attended a Braves baseball game and toured the plants of Allen Bradley

and Square D companies.

Ruth Wilkey and her family visited Ruth's grandmother in Denver. They included a trip to the Grand Canyon in their vacation travels, and returned via Texas and Oklahoma; and last but not least, Neal Middendorf attended the convention of the American Legion in Chicago. By the way, what's this Neal says about hearing "bells" lately? Wedding Bells, maybe????

## Art Krauth Passes Away

On Monday, August 16, 1954, Mr. Art Krauth passed away at 1:45 a. m. in Blessing Hospital. This came after a long illness of about two years. During that time, Art was at work as



much as he could be and we all feel sure he expected to be back when he left last January 28 to take a short rest.

Since this happened during our vacation time, everyone was

shocked to hear this news when they returned to work on August 23.

Art worked in several departments and most recently was with the cable shop. In spite of his illness and pain, he was always jovial and friendly with a smile and kind word for everyone. It was amazing how he kept up his fine spirit and attitude in the face of all of his troubles and undoubtedly what he knew was inevitable.

We extend our sincere sympathy to his daughters, Mrs. Beatrice Cordsimon and Mrs. Bertha Smith, and their families.



## Ministers Visit Us On Ministry-Industry Day



A short time ago, our plant cooperated with the Quincy Ministry-Industry Day, sponsored by the Quincy Industrial Association. The afternoon was spent in touring our plants closing with a conference with Rog Veach, Personnel Director; L. I. McEwen, Vice-President; and A. S. Petzoldt, Secretary. Pictured above with these men are the visiting clergy. From left to right, Mr. Veach; Rev. Gilbert W. Zink, Payson Christian Church; Mr. McEwen; Rev. Robert W. Pratt, Quincy Central Baptist; Rev. John Landskroener, Quincy Lutheran of St. John; Mr. Petzoldt; Rev. Wm. Warford, Columbus Methodist; Rev. John Wilkey, Coatsburg Methodist; and Rev. Peter Damian Holzer, OFM, Quincy College.

Following the conference, all went to Stipps for the dinner and address given by Rev. Edward A. Keller of the University of Notre Dame.

## Ronnie Gaskill Home On Furlough

A short time ago A/1C Ronnie Gaskill, formerly of our Sheet Metal Department, stopped in to pay us a visit. He is still connected with the Military Air Transport Service as a Flight



Traffic Specialist and during the past two years he has had many interesting and exciting experiences.

Seventeen months of this time were spent at a base in Preswick, Ayer-shire, in Scotland.

From the International Airport there, they were flying VIP's from London to Paris and return. Ronnie says they use a C-47 plane which is a pushed up DC3 with seats for 18 people. He says that their passengers included famous names from all over the world and that one of the most interesting trips was hauling Eddie Fisher and his USO troupe all over Europe.

These planes carry a crew of 4, some of whom he has been with since going into service in 1950.

During the last 3 months they have been stationed at Charleston, South

Carolina, to fly from there to Arabia. On this flight of 9,000 miles one way, they use a C-54 four engine plane with a crew of seven. This trip calls for a stop at Tripoli where he tells us that the Armed Forces Network is using Gates equipment.

Since going into the service in 1950, Ronnie has practically been all over the world. At least he told us about 62° below zero weather in Thule, Greenland, and 130° in the shade in Arabia. He says he has enjoyed every

## Happenings in Bonness' Department

By Mary Ellen Rupp

With the coming of the tomato season lots of tomato stories are going around our department, but we'll concentrate on the facts here, and relay vacation news.

Frances Tharp didn't have much fun as she spent some time in Blessing Hospital. However, we're glad to say she is now much better and was even able to return to work on schedule. Marie Carter had visitors instead of visiting for her vacation. Her son and his wife from Salina, Kansas were here. Elma Hobbs, Kyle Snowhill, and Bob Bonness were all State Fair patrons and Bob also spent a couple of days fishing. Marilyn Stieghorst returned to her parents home at Payson and took over the cooking job from her mother to give her a rest. Did you hear that, boys? She can cook! Jim Medlin and family, and Marcella Edgecomb were both in St. Louis, and Lavina and Ed Fahey visited in the Ozarks. Harold Laws and his wife spent some time in Chicago seeing the sights and eating some good food, which was just what Harold needed. Gene Crossan and his family motored to Wisconsin for a cool vacation, and evidently the rest of the people in our department spent their time at home, enjoying a nice restful vacation with their friends and family.

minute of it and in fact he is planning to re-enlist and make it his permanent career.

Lots of good luck to you, Ronnie. His present address is A/1C Ronnie Gaskill, AF16350613, 41st ATS, Charleston AFB, Charleston, S. C.

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