



The ATOMIZER



“ ? ? ? Killed In Holiday-Weekend Auto Crash ”



Shown above are stewards on the local project who have contributed to the success of the safety program. Pictured are: Front row, left to right, Walter McLaughlin, Labor Steward; Joe Sarver, Office Employees, Grinnell; Jim Weisenberger, Sheet Metal Workers; Jesse Wilson, Carpenters; Robert Armstrong, Office Employees, R-N; Alex Natale, Millwright; and Harry Schreiber, Sign writers. Back row, left to right, Ed Womack, Office Employees, GKS; Alfred Seiple, Pipefitters; Robert Hannill, Cement Masons; Martin Lockley, Truck Drivers; Bob Delaney, Civil Engineers; Frank Smith, Ironworkers; Ed Truglio, Office Employees, PKS; Richard Singer, Electrician; and Emanuel Sline, Painters.

CRAFT STEWARDS AT LOCAL PLANT CONTRIBUTE TO SUCCESS OF SAFETY PROGRAM; DUTIES ARE VARIED

The role of every individual in the project safety story is continually stressed in the never-ending struggle to prevent accidents. Not only must there be individual effort, but there must also be coordinated action by the various groups which make up the construction team.

One group which has contributed greatly to the success of the safety structure on this project is pictured above — the stewards for the various crafts on the job. The duties of a steward are many and varied. Besides his regular job, which is exactly that of the men with whom he is working, he is constantly called upon to perform a variety of other tasks, both on and off the job.

Stewards are appointed by the appropriate business representatives as the union's job site spokesman. One point which is stressed when the steward begins his work is that he shall, at all times, cooperate fully with all contractors to see that work is done in accordance with safety practices. In addition, he must see that injured workmen are given first aid treatment. Stewards keep the job progressing by working with supervision to adjust minor grievances which arise on the job so as to avoid work delays.

In enforcing safety regulations the Safety Department has found the stewards invaluable. When unsafe practices are observed, the stewards report them to superintendents, who in turn see that proper corrective measures are taken. Through this splendid cooperation with the safety engineers and supervision, accidents have been held to a minimum.

The stewards also work co-

operatively with the Craft Superintendent Division in solving many personnel problems which arise.

The steward's job does not end with the closing of the regular work day. One steward stated that many times it is necessary to see that the wife and children of an injured man are cared for during his rehabilitation from an accident. This involves arrangements to see that dependents are transported to home or wherever they wish to go, arranging for medical care of men, and a multitude of other tasks.

Yes, the job of the craft steward is a big one—and a very important one!!! Another CO-OPERATIVE KEYNOTE which has, and is, contributing to the success of this huge construction program.

Accident Prevention Is Not The Only Role Of Industrial Commission

Local safety officials are constantly working with the Industrial Commission of Ohio in an effort to prevent accidents to workmen. All employees are undoubtedly aware of these efforts but few realize the sincere interests that follow accidents which, unfortunately, do happen. The June issue of the MONITOR, a publication of the Commission, carried the following story of what happened to a local worker following an accident.

— To anyone who may think that the administration by the Industrial Commission of Ohio's workmen's compensation law is a routine procedure, without human interest or human sympathy, the following case history will be highly revealing.

About a year ago, a 38-year-old iron worker, Earl F. Lynch, while working at the Atomic Energy Commission project near Piketon, Ohio, fell thirty feet. At the Portsmouth Hospital it was found that Mr. Lynch had sustained fractures of both legs and of the spinal column.

During the early months of his hospitalization, officials of the Industrial Commission kept in close touch with Mr. Lynch and with his family. A report in November from the attending surgeon stated that recovery was assured but that it would be a long, slow process. Studying the case, members of the Commission agreed that Mr. Lynch and his wife and children would be happier and that his recovery would probably be expedited if he could be moved to his home town, Minneapolis.

On November 5, 1954, under arrangements made by the Industrial Commission, an ambulance took Mr. Lynch to the Portsmouth airport and he was flown by ambulance plane to Minneapolis.

Today, reports are that Mr. Lynch is recovering according to prognosis. The Industrial Commission keeps in close touch with his progress and compensation payments are sent regularly to the family to help them maintain a home during this difficult period.

Local Employees Cautioned To Enjoy Long Weekend Safely; Don't Put Your Name In Tuesday's Tragic Headlines

At the close of work today you will begin the three day Fourth of July holiday weekend. Approximately 12,000 employees on the job are contemplating three days of fishing, golf, picnics, swimming, visits home, pleasure driving and what have you.

Last year on July 2, some 20,000 employees were planning the same type weekend. When the long weekend had ended and the cards were clocked in on Tuesday morning, 19,999 employees had survived the tragic three days. Following the weekend, the first issue of THE ATOMIZER on July 9, carried the following headline: GRINNELL EMPLOYEE IS PROJECT'S 16TH TRAFFIC FATALITY — J. G. Richardson, killed Saturday, July 3, when

car left road in Tennessee, and vehicle rolled back over body crushing him to death. The local employee was on his way back home to Texas for the weekend!!!

The papers this week will be full of predictions by the National Safety Council and numerous warnings about holiday deaths. They were last year. Richardson read them. We hope you will read them and stay alive. It can happen to you—so remember—no matter what you do this weekend, do it safely and be here Tuesday morning.

ATOMIZER JUDGED ONE OF TEN BEST IN NATIONAL PUBLICATIONS CONTEST

Your paper, THE ATOMIZER, has been selected as one of the 10 best industrial newspapers in the nation. According to a letter received recently from the editor of the magazine INDUSTRIAL SPORTS AND RECREATION, we have been advised that "the judges selected your publication as one of the ten best in Division II (newspapers), awarding it Honorable Mention. Please accept the congratulations of all of us connected with our magazine for having done an excellent job of collaborating with your company's recreation director in contributing to the success of the recreation program."

In December of 1954, your present editor, Don Wedge, former editor Stan Spaulding, and Recreation Division Chief Luther F. Poling, selected from the issues during 1954 the papers which were considered the best in each quarterly period. These were then entered in the magazine's contest to determine which of the many thousands of industrial publications were doing the best job. We feel quite honored to have been selected as one of the ten best in the country, especially since the paper has been printed for only two years.

It is indeed an honor but was made possible only through the willingness to cooperate on the part of each employee—engineer, laborer, skilled craftsman, superintendent, department head, secretary and clerk—all of you!! YOU are the paper!! YOU are the news!! Your pictures and the stories of your lives and families make the paper. With this thought we would like to express our appreciation for the splendid cooperation which made the award possible.

Also in line for congratulations are our two top-notch photographers Don Landstrom and Glenn Dearing. The appearance of the paper is only as good as its art and pictures. These two men have done an outstanding job. It is our hope that everyone who had anything to do with the paper will accept our sincere thanks for making the award possible.

Three Accidents Occur After Record Is Posted

It would appear that the setting of a new project safety record of more than three million manhours has gone to the heads of some employees. Sure, three million hours is a good record and is indicative of the diligent efforts of every one on the job. It seems that we have dropped our guards however, as since the first accident which broke the string, we have been besieged with two more chargeable lost timers. Here they are, including the first accident:

April 8, Reynolds-Newbery electrician working in X-333. Employee welding and hot mol-

ten metal fell into ear. Infection developed causing hospitalization on May 26.

June 10, Grinnell Fitter working in X-333, pipe rolled and caught employee's right ring finger resulting in amputation.

June 16, R-N Electrician in X-611, climbing ladder which slipped resulting in fall from 10-foot height, causing fractured small bone in foot.

Three lost time accidents in less than a month!! Again the element of human failure enters the picture. Carelessness and lack of foresight can be attributed as causation in all three. Let us at this time resolve that it is time to start over again and work each and every day accident free.

PETER KIEWIT SONS' PROCESS CONSTRUCTION DIVISION IN X-326 PERFORMING BIG JOB

INDEPENDENCE DAY — 1955

On July 4, 1776, by unanimous declaration of the Thirteen Colonies of America, the Declaration of Independence was adopted by the Continental Congress.

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The Declaration did not actually establish the independence of the United States; it merely stated an intention and outlined the cause for action. It was converted into fact only after years of struggle by our early leaders — once adopted, there was no turning back.

Although the methods employed for the defense of our nation have changed from muskets to atoms, the principles established in the Declaration have not changed. Each of our jobs here is essential to the support of this Declaration and our Country.

Let us not violate this trust.

This Editorial was submitted by J. W. Herring of the Operations Unit.

Area Superintendent Ray Robbers At Helm In Directing Coordinated Operation Of Hundreds

Process Construction Division employees of Peter Kiewit Sons' Co. in the X-326 Building know the meaning of the word "teamwork". Under the direction of Ray J. Robbers, Area Superintendent, work in the building is being accomplished through the coordinated efforts of many crafts and sub-contractors.

The type of teamwork needed to do the job can be compared to a football team where eleven men must work together in the accomplishment of one common goal. PKS forces are composed of a variety of crafts which include laborers, carpenters, millwrights, cement masons, ironworkers, painters, and

operating engineers. The fact that these crafts must work together is not enough, for in addition, their work must be coordinated with that of the fitters, electricians and sheet metal workers employed by sub-contractors.

Staff meetings are held weekly and plans are laid to keep the construction forces working together at all times. The meeting of turnover dates with a con-

stant respect for good safety practices is always at the top of the agenda.

The men shown in the pictures are representative of all crews working together in the building. The total number working now, is naturally, considerable less than the peak construction force. Most of the men in the pictures have been on the job since its beginning.

The entire activity of the Process Construction Division is closely coordinated with the work of the Process Engineers in the combined effort to complete the construction of this huge AEC installation.

Next: Process Construction in X-333.



CARPENTERS: (Photograph No. 1) Standing left to right: R. E. Mailliard, Foreman; B. F. Laing, S. Wright, G. E. Casteel, and E. N. McBee.

LABORERS: (Photograph No. 2) Front row: P. McCall, B. B. Ballard, V. Adkins, J. B. Crase, L. Salyers, and H. C. Ayers. Back row: Foreman W. A. Thompson, W. Howell, J. N. Davis, E. W. Biggs, S. J. Neff, G. Helton, and H. Osborne.

IRONWORKERS: (Photograph No. 3) Front row: F. D. Thacker, A. L. Kautzman, and C. W. Frost. Back row: H. G. Everhart, R. F. Hacker, H. M. Lamb, Foreman H. G. Moser, and W. L. Griffin.

OPERATING ENGINEERS: (Photograph No. 4) Front row: R. K. Brown, C. Lawson, Master Mechanic; M. D. Day, C. E. Brohard, W. A. Westfall, and E. D.



Morris. Back row: E. D. May, W. Clevenger, H. Baier, J. S. Machesney, W. R. Smith, and W. J. VanHorn.

MILLWRIGHTS: (Photograph No. 5) Front row: D. J. Luedtke, General Foreman; D. Kniceley, G. Staley, L. F. Habermehl, Foreman; and E. A. Tolle. Back row: K. E. Houck, C. A. Weaver, W. A. Jamison, C. H. Gerwig, and W. D. Shiveley.

PAINTERS: (Photograph No. 6) Standing: C. F. Patrick, A. F. Griffitt, J. Jordon, J. F. Hall, F. E. Brown, Foreman; L. A. White, and R. N. King.

CEMENT FINISHERS: (Photograph No. 7) Front row: A. Nelson, C. J. Armstrong, Foreman E. Risner, R. S. Selva, and C. O. Covert. Back row: P. A. Lewis, H. Strickland, R. O. Hamill, C. S. Washington, E. Moore, and W. S. Washington.

Employee Speaks Highly Of Courtesy Shown By Guard Force

A real appreciation for others was expressed in the letter printed below, which was received by Guard Force Headquarters from a local employee. The letter undoubtedly expresses the opinion of many. The appreciative letter read as follows:

"GUARD FORCE HEADQUARTERS AND WHOMEVER THIS MAY CONCERN: I have been on this job for over a year, and I cannot say one word against your force. I have yet to hear a guard speak harshly or out of the way to any employee. By the same token, I

have yet to hear any worker speak against the guard force.

I have had to catch a ride to the job on a few occasions, both in and out, and when I step up to the gate, I have always been asked by the guards, "To which building are you going and how soon do you need to be there?" Almost always, they would make arrangements for some type of transportation.

I am praising your force for their courtesy and well-trained way of handling the men on this job. I have worked at Paducah and Oak Ridge since 1942, and I think that THIS FORCE has them all beat.

I was also called to your office for a parking ticket received when I parked at the wrong

place when working on the night shift. I was asked not to park there any more in the nicest way that anyone could ask. I think that is the reason there has been very little labor trouble on this job or it certainly has played a very important role."

NOTICE:

THE PROCUREMENT DEPARTMENT HAS ADVISED THAT EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY THE SALE OF SCRAP KINDLING WOOD WILL BE HELD ON SATURDAYS ONLY.

"NOTHING can be achieved without enthusiasm."

THE AMERICAN WAY

On a tablet inside the main entrance of the Statue of Liberty monument in New York Harbor is engraved the following sonnet, written by Emma Lazarus:

The New Colossus
 Not like the brazen giant of Greek fame,
 With conquering limbs astride from
 land to land;
 Here at our sea-washed, sunset gates
 shall stand
 A mighty woman with a torch, whose
 flame
 Is the imprisoned lightning, and her
 name
 Mother of Exiles. From her beacon hand
 Glows world-wide welcome; her mild
 eyes command
 The air-bridged harbor that twin cities
 frame.
 "Keep, ancient lands, your storied
 pomp!" cries she
 With silent lips. "Give me your tired,
 your poor,

Your huddled masses yearning to breathe free,
 The wretched refuse of your teeming
 shore.
 Send these, the homeless, tempest-tost
 to me,
 I lift my lamp beside the golden door."

KIDDIES SOFTBALL

Plans are in process for a school boys' softball league for boys living in the Atomic Area trailer parks and Public Housing areas. Because of the indefinite number within any particular age group it may be necessary to recruit teams which will include various ages from more than one trailer park.

Anyone interested in sponsoring or organizing a team for this league please contact the Recreation Office.

BOWLING

PORTSMOUTH MIXED LEAGUE

TEAM	Won	Lost	Pts.
Rovers	13½	4½	18½
Lucky Strikes	11	7	14
Alley Burners	10	8	14
Big Hams	10	8	13
Alley Oops	10	8	13
Strike Outs	9	9	12
Hoboes	9	9	12
Atoms	8	10	12
4 Strikes & A Spare	8	10	10
Wood Choppers	7	11	10
Gutter Rats	7	11	9
Shanty Boat Irish	6½	11½	8½

ATOMIC MIXED LEAGUE

Thomas-Hornberg	17	10	22
Senti-Roda	15	12	22
Poling-Sollott	13	14	18
Hutchings-Barber	15	12	18
Zint-Hagan	11	16	16
Carlson-Sturdevent	10	17	12

WAVERLY MIXED LEAGUE

Final Standings

Rutherford-Rutherford	26	16	36
Albert-Shoemaker	27	15	35
Briscoe-Sparks	26	16	35
Brown-Bosher	23	19	31
Weiss-Frey	24	18	31
Pyles-Shrader	19	23	27
Boan-Gosey	15	27	19
Overman-Overman	8	34	10

WAVERLY WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Four Sparks	11	4	15
Keglers	9	6	13
Trallerettes	9	6	12
Four Strikes	7	8	9
The Muggs	5	10	6
Little Beaver	4	11	5

PIKETON SOFTBALL LEAGUE

TEAM	Won	Lost	Pct.
Grinnell Fitters	4	0	1.000
Piketon P. H. A.	3	1	.750
Moore's Trailer Park	3	1	.750
Community	3	1	.750
Building Services	3	2	.600
Givens	1	3	.250
328 Fitters	0	4	.000
Hunters	0	5	.000

PORTSMOUTH SOFTBALL LEAGUE

PKS	6	0	1.000
Pipe Fab	4	2	.666
Clerks	4	2	.666
Grinnell Engineering	1	4	.200
Reserves	0	3	.000
Cashiers	0	4	.000

GOLF TOURNAMENT No. 2

(Best scores only of all competitors.)

Jim Westervelt	81	11	70
Dick Firth	86	16	70
Herbert Van Burgel	78	7	71
Don Bailey	74	30	71
John Norton	81	10	71
Max Gross	92	20	72
Jack Schuerman	72	0	72
John Senti	91	18	73
Roy Key	86	13	73
Arlie Hill	121	48	73
Ralph McElwain	92	19	73
Don Wedge	82	9	73
Bill Schroeder	106	32	74
Jim Cole	84	10	74
Ab Wright	87	13	74
Howard Cline	113	37	76
Walter VeHaun	95	19	76
Doc Herring	90	13	76
R. Rose	100	23	77
John Hogan	95	17	78
Al Hull	98	20	78

REVISED SCHEDULE

PORTSMOUTH SOFTBALL LEAGUE

Second Round	
Wednesday, July 6	
8:30	Reserves vs Clerks
Thursday, July 7	
7:15	Pipe Fab vs Reserves
8:30	Grinnell Engineering vs Reserves
Monday, July 11	
7:15	PKS vs Reserves
8:30	Clerks vs Grinnell Engineering
Thursday, July 14	
(Make-up of Second Round postponed games.)	
Third Round	
Monday, July 18	
7:15	Reserves vs Clerks
8:30	Grinnell Engineering vs Pipe Fab
Thursday, July 21	
7:15	PKS vs Reserves
8:30	Clerks vs Grinnell Engineering
Monday, July 25	
7:15	Pipe Fab vs PKS
8:30	Grinnell Engineering vs Reserves
Thursday, July 28	
7:15	Pipe Fab vs Clerks
8:30	PKS vs Clerks
Monday, August 1	
7:15	Pipe Fab vs Clerks
8:30	PKS vs Clerks
Thursday, August 4	



Shown above is the team of Rutherfords, Jim, Florence, Charles, and Gretchen, who recently won the Waverly Mixed Bowling League. Prior to the final match the team was in second place, one point out of first. With the championship within sight, the couples knuckled down and came up with the important victory that clinched the top position.

Dick Firth And Dewey Conley Share Low Net Honors In Third Golf Event; New Handicaps To Be Used In Tourneys

The third project golf tournament has come to an end and a new name has appeared in the list of winners. Little Dewey Conley, who greatly resembles Bantam Ben Hogan in appearance and golf style, fired his way into a tie for top honors in the low net with an outstanding 74-3-71 over the long and tough Elks CC layout. Dick Firth, co-winner in the event, fired an equally sensational 77-6-71 at Circleville.

Second place in the event was shared by three men who also scored highly respectable rounds. Roy Key carded an 86-14-72 at Portsmouth. Don Wedge posted an 81-9-72 and Don Bailey came home with a 75-3-72.

Third place honors were really up for grabs as six men tied with nets of 73. Bob Gillespie, 82-9, Jim Cole, 86-13, Howard Cline, 113-40, John Norton, 79-6, John Senti, 86-13 and Arlie Hill, 124-51 all will be awarded prizes for their golfing accomplishments. First place in low medal score was again won by the very consistent Jack Schuerman with a one over par 71 at Wilmington.

THE FOURTH PROJECT GOLF TOURNAMENT WILL BE CONDUCTED ON A DIFFERENT BASIS, ACCORDING TO LUTHER F. POLING, CHIEF OF THE PROJECT RECREATION DIVISION.

IN THE FIRST THREE EVENTS, GOLFERS COMPETED USING THE CALLOWAY HANDICAP SYSTEM. THIS WEEK END, AND NEXT, ALL SCORES TURNED INTO THE OFFICE WILL BE JUDGED ON A STRAIGHT HANDICAP BASIS WHICH HAS BEEN COMPUTED FROM SCORES PREVIOUSLY REPORTED. THE METHOD OF COMPUTING HANDICAPS IS THE SAME AS THAT USED NATION-WIDE AND INVOLVES THE HANDICAPPING OF A PLAYER'S THREE BEST ROUNDS. THE SYSTEM ADJUSTS THE DIFFERENCE IN PAR FOR A COURSE.

ON THIS PAGE WILL BE FOUND THE HANDICAPS FOR ALL GOLFERS WHO HAVE PARTICIPATED IN THE PREVIOUS TOURNEYS. MAKE A NOTE OF YOUR HANDICAP AND BE SURE TO REPORT YOUR ATTESTED CARD PRIOR TO NOON ON TUESDAY, JULY 12.

Clark & Holling Vie For Golf Title

Saturday morning, July 2, George C. Holling and John S. Clark will play for the Class C Golf Championship at the Elks

PROJECT GOLFERS HANDICAPS

NAME	HANDICAP
Jack Schuerman	1
Don Bailey	4
Dewey Conley	4
Dick Firth	7
John Norton	8
Jim Cole	9
Jim Westervelt	9
Don Wedge	9
Bob Gillespie	10
Ab Wright	11
Roy Key	12
Ralph McElwain	13
John Senti	15
Joe Brumley	15
Walter VeHaun	15
J. W. Herring	16
Max Gross	18
John Hogan	19
Jake Frowine	19
Albert Hull	23
Jack Atherton	26
Howard Cline	29
Bill Schroeder	30
Arlie Hill	36

NOTE: These handicaps are to be used for the tourney beginning this weekend and the next, which ends July 10. These are current handicaps and are subject to change throughout the season. Golfers without handicaps may obtain same by submitting cards to the Recreation Office.

PKS Defeats Pipe Fab In 3-0 Shutout Contest

With good weather providing an assist, activity in the Portsmouth Softball League has begun to pick up. Latest standings reveal that the PKS Nine is still on the top of the ladder with six wins and no defeats. Clerks and Pipe Fab are deadlocked for second place with 4 wins and 2 setbacks. Both of Pipe Fab's losses have been at the hands of PKS by scores of 3-2 and 3-0. The Clerks have lost once each to Pipe Fab and PKS.

The highlight of recent play was the game played on June 23 between PKS and Pipe Fab. The game was a replica of the earlier contest as it turned out to be a pitching duel between Bill Newman of PKS and Hal Miller of Pipe Fab. Newman gave up 4 hits and Miller only 1 more in a losing cause. PKS hitters converted their five safeties into 3 runs while Pipe Fab was unable to score at all. Ac-

WAVERLY AND CHILLICOTHE MIXED LEAGUES DECIDE CHAMPIONS IN EXCITING ROLL-OFF

The top four teams in the two project mixed bowling leagues met head-on last week to determine which league had the top bowlers. A more hotly contested match could not have been found as men and women on both sides of the fence were rolling scores that would have competed in any league.

The scene of the battle was the 20th Century Alleys in Chillicothe. The date was June 23. Opponents: Guys and Gals of Chillicothe Mixed versus Guys and Gals of Waverly Mixed. The Rutherford team of Waverly just squeezed by Chillicothe's Thomas-Hornberg with a score of 2195 to 2168, an advantage of a mere 27 pins. Senti-Roda of Chillicothe put them back in the running as they smashed out a 2080-2048 vic-

tory over Sparks-Briscoe. At this point the Chillicothe group was on top with a 5 pin lead. Waverly's Albert-Shoemaker made these points up, however, as they rolled over Barber-Foster by 49 pins. Still only 44 pins were separating the leagues.

Brown-Bosher's clinched the match for Waverly as they literally swamped Hagan-Zint 2067-1923, which put Waverly in as the champs, 8310 to 8122.

Highlights of the match included scores by the fairer sex over 200. Jean Ziccardi rolled a series of 202-160-192. Gretchen Rutherford had a 140-219-138 series. Ruth Hornberg rolled an outstanding 554 series. F. Sparks was the only man to crack 200 with a 201, and his 562 series was tops for the event.



The Recreation Division swimming classes, now in their second week, are moving along rapidly and all kiddies are reported to be advancing according to schedule. Shown above is a group of 6 to 8 year old youngsters as they reported on the first day. At the time the photo was taken they were learning how to adjust to the cool water and how to duck and put their heads under water. The classes in the first school will be completed today. The next school begins on Wednesday, July 6, and already the classes have been filled. This school will end on July 20, and registration for the school beginning July 25, will be accepted at the Lake White Beachcomber on Thursday, July 21. Information concerning the classes may be obtained by contacting the Recreation Office or inquiring at the lake.



During the Portsmouth City Championship Bowling tournament, held in May at the Classic Lanes, two local employees walked off with several top honors. Larry Papke, B. F. Brown Resident Manager, and Don Gates, B. F. Brown Superintendent, copped the doubles title with a total of 1,335 pins. Papke then won the all events, which included his scores in the singles, doubles, and team matches with a score of 1,966 pins. Both men have competed in



A newspaper which will be 15 years old on July 5 testifies to the feats of Ab Wright, local pipefitter who had a tremendous career as a minor league baseball player. Imagine four homers and a triple in five trips to the plate—and all with another player's bat. The story which can be seen in the headlines is still standing as an all-time record of hitting in the American Association. The other picture shows Ab as he appeared with the Cleveland Indians of the American League. For more highlights of Ab's career, see story.

Ab Wright, Local Pipefitter, One Time Baseball Great; Record In American Association Approaches Fifteen Years

In the past few issues of THE ATOMIZER the name Ab Wright has appeared as having won prizes in local golf contests. To many people it was just another name. To many others it brought back memories of when

that same name appeared many times as "Abbie Wright Hits .359" — "Abbie Clouts Homer."

Yes, Ab Wright, local pipefitter for Grinnell, is the same Abbie Wright who literally burned up the minor leagues throughout the thirties and early forties. Ab certainly has enjoyed an illustrious career in baseball. It all began in his high school days at Stillwater, Oklahoma. The 6' 2" youth starred in all sports and then enrolled at Oklahoma A & M. At the college he was a star baseball pitcher; played basketball and set a scoring record that stood for many years; and played halfback on the football team so well that he was selected to the All Time A & M eleven. He was All-Missouri Valley in all sports.

Although a pitcher in college he was tough enough with the stick to be also used as a pinch hitter. In 1929 he joined the professional ranks with Joplin of the old Western Association. He won 14 and lost 4. In 1930 he was with Muskogee and it was here that he hit the ball so well that his manager told him he was to be an outfielder. Here is a recap of his start in the minors: 1931, Muskogee, batted .359 and hit 24 HR; 1932 in the Three I League Piedmont and Western, hit .360 and 15 HR; 1933 with Little Rock in the Western League, hit .352 and cracked 11 HR. In this three year period he drove in an outstanding total of 281 runs.

In 1934, his first year in the American Association with the Minneapolis Millers, he led them to a pennant year and hit .355. In 1935 Abbie got his first chance at the big time when he was sold to the Cleveland Indians. During the entire year he

was used only sparingly as a pinch hitter.

The years 1936-37-38-39 saw the slugger with Baltimore of the International League. In 1937 he cracked 37 homers to cop the league home run title. It was about this time that Abbie was reaching his peak, for the very next year, 1940, when he went back to the Millers, he smashed 40 homers, hit .359, and drove in 169 runs. On July 4, 1940, he set a record which still stands on the books of the American Association. Authorities also believe that this is a record for all minor leagues. (See photo for details.)

His career was almost ended in 1942 when an irate Kansas City fan dashed onto the playing field and felled the giant hitter with a pop bottle. Although a huge gash and a concussion resulted from the incident, he recovered and came back the next year and again was near the top of the league's home run hitters.

In 1944 Abbie got another crack at the big show, this time with the Boston Braves. Again his role was that of a pinch hitter and he failed to stay. Baseball experts believe that if the big boy could have fielded the ball he would have set the big leagues on fire. In 1945 his baseball career was ended when he broke his ankle sliding into home plate while playing for Baltimore. At this time he was 36 years old. Those who know Abbie on the job can readily see why he was such a tremendous hitter! Although he stands 6' 3" and weighs 240 pounds now, his best playing weight was 185 pounds.

Ab came to the Portsmouth job in January of 1954. He ac-

quired the fitter trade by working on similar jobs during the off season while playing ball. Ab, his wife Hattie, and daughter Kaye live at the Waverly Heights. Another daughter, Selah, is married in Oklahoma and has two children. Kaye is a student in St. Mary's College in Columbus.



"WHERE SHALL I PIN THE RIBBON?"

Summer Movies Being Shown At Area Housing Projects By Recreation

The Recreation Division is sponsoring a weekly summer movie program for all area employees. On Tuesdays at 7:30 P. M. the program is held at Wakefield Trailer Court; on Wednesdays at 1:00 P. M., at the Piketon PHA, and at 7:30 P. M. at Schmidts & Nelson Trailer Court; on Thursdays at 7:30 P. M., at Sargents Recreation Hall; and on Fridays, at 9:00 A. M., at the Waverly PHA.

Movies scheduled to be shown at the above locations throughout the week include: July 4—Along Came Jones, July 11—Cartoons, July 18—Here Come The Nelsons, July 25—Adventures of Gallant Bess, August 1—Cartoons, August 5—Five Little Peppers At Home, August 22—Cartoons, and August 29—Good Humor Man.

All employee families are welcomed.

A SMILE is a language that even a baby understands.



"THAT BULL'S EYE I MISSED," is discussed among members of Portsmouth's 75th Special Infantry Company. In civilian life these reservists are employed on the huge Portsmouth Atomic project. Captain G. Spraul, Waverly, Ohio; T-Sgt. George E. Copley, Wheelersburg, Ohio; Cpl. Roy E. Callihan, Portsmouth; and Sgt. Robert M. Wilkinson, Portsmouth; take a break during training on the Parris Island rifle range. Capt. Spraul and Cpl. Callihan are employed by the Grinnell Corporation, while T-Sgt. Copley and Sgt. Wilkinson work for Goodyear.

Second Fish Contest Is Underway As 24 1/2 Inch Catfish Is Turned In

The second fish contest is already underway and John E. Lewis of GKS is right in the middle of the running for top honors with his prize shovel head catfish. The fish was caught in the Hocking River near Nelsonville, Ohio. Vital statistics include a length of 24 1/2 inches, girth of 15 inches, and a weight of 6 pounds, 10 ounces.

As of this date there have been no catches reported in the bass and panfish group. All anglers are urged to report any catch they make, as prizes are awarded for first, second, and third places.

CLASSIFIEDS

The following classified ads are free to any Portsmouth Area project employee but must be confined to items pertaining to transportation and lost and found articles.

Phone 3442 or 2887

WANTED—Riders from Chillicothe to X-333 Bldg. on 8:00 to 4:30 shift. Call Bill Herod in Chillicothe at Phone 41235.

WANTED — Riders from McArthur, Jackson vicinity, to X-326 Bldg. on 8:00 to 4:30 shift. Call C. W. Pinney, Ext. 2153.

WANTED — Two riders from Chillicothe to Ad. Bldg. on 8:00 to 4:30 shift. Contact Maxine Thompson, Ext. 2234.

WANTED—Three riders from Ironton to job site on 8:00 to 4:30 shift. Contact Jay Davidson, Ext. 3672.



Office Girls See Project Facilities During Their Conducted Tour Of Plantsite On Sat. June 18th

Project women assembled at the Administration Building on Saturday, June 18, to be conducted on a tour of facilities of the local AEC installation. Prior to being decked out in masculine hard hats the girls were given a brief talk by Ray Daniel, Administrative Assistant to George C. Holling. The party is shown in the lower photo as they were going through one of the process buildings. All in all, the tour was a complete success and certainly was enjoyed by the women employees.