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The Atomic Energy Commission Award of Merit, in recognition of the accomplishment of all contractors and their employees on the Portsmouth Area project in preventing employee injuries

during 1954, was presented July 27, to PKS General Manager, of the award was made by Kenneth A. Dunbar, Manager, Portsmouth Area AEC office, who exconcerted efforts of all project employees in making this record possible.

rates and 95 per cent in severi- project. It can be done.

ty rates during 1954 were signi-George C. Holling. Presentation ficant factors for the special a-

The Award of Merit was not won by any single individual, pressed his appreciation for the but by all employees working together as a team. This is an example of what can be accomplished when everyone is work-This is the second Award of ing toward a common goal; the Merit to be received from the personal welfare and safety of AEC; the first having been at- ourselves, our families and our tained for more than one million fellow workers and their famman-hours in 1953 without a ilies. As we enter the third year lost time accident. Reduction of of construction, let us all strive 32 per cent in injury frequency to make this an accident-free



Dance Tomorrow Nite

Let's dance! Project employees, their dependents, and friends are invited to attend the regular Recreation Division sponsored dance tomorrow night at the Portsmouth American Legion auditorium from 9:00 P. M. to 1:00 A. M.

Music will be provided by the ever-popular Lou Martin and his orchestra, assuring a full evening of dance rhythm,

If you are planning to attend either as a couple or in a party, may we suggest you arrive early. Tables and space will be on "first come—first served" basis. Come out an denjoy an evening of dancing and relaxation. Your badge will be your admission.

A Picture Is Worth **Thousand Words**

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In this issue of THE ATOM-IZER, we have attempted to bring to the project employees a few pictorial reminders of the construction period. Space does not permit elaborate coverage of this important anniversary date; however, we sincerely hope that the pictures will provide fruit for thought of the importance of manpower, equipment and material necessary for the successful completion of the project.

Announcement Of A-Site Three Years At Portsmouth Legion Ago Today; Five-County Area Pleased

Three years ago today (August 12, 1952), the announcement that the Atomic Energy Commission had selected a site near Sargents, Ohio, for a new billion dollar plus project rocked the

populace of the theretofore rural farming communities, the vilages, and the cities of the fivecounty area, and changed the Tomorrow Morn At Elks lives and living habits of many individuals and families.

Mixed thoughts and emotions reigned the lives of the majority. Now they were to witness something new, something big, and were to begin their anxious watch for the "ground breaking" so that reality would be born from the announcement.

Thousands of words and thousands of pictures would be necessary to accurately depict the change which has come over this Southeastern Ohio area. Only to those who have "lived" with the project from August 12, 1952, to the present, can this change and development of such magnitude mean so much.

Byways have become highways; pasture fields have become the sites for housing developments, schools, business places and trailer courts; villages and cities have taken on a new look.

Doubts and curiosity which were common thoughts three years ago, have been surely erased from our minds, for we are living in obvious reality.

Project Golf Tourney

The eighteen-hole Portsmouth Elks Country Club will be the site for the third annual Project Golf Championship scheduled to get underway tomorrow morning, August 13.

Thirteen foursomes will hit the fairways to determine the 1955 champion and also compete in several other events attractive to the "duffer" as well as the seasoned veteran.

Last season, Al Schuerman, PKS Engineer, posted a four over par 76 to win the trophy. The Calloway tourneys, sponsored earlier by the Recreation Division, indicated some very close competition for the "big" event.

Foursomes, handicaps, schedule, and details for the tournament will be found on page three of this issue.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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THE DANGER PHASES OF A CONSTRUCTION JOB

In the construction business we have found that jobs usually have three phases or stages. The first stage is the planning and organizing stage requiring imagination, enthusiasm, and a pioneering spirit.

Following this period is a period of stability and routine. The organization runs smoothly. People know what is expected of them and they have learned how to adjust to those around them.

During the period when activity is being reduced, the greatest danger to people on a job develops. There is a danger of losing interest in the safety program and letting up in the observance of safe practices.

We are taking this means of making a personal appeal to each of you to not only maintain but increase your vigilance during the coming months. Naturally, we hope to be able to better the fine record you have established over the past three years, but that record is incidental. What we are most concerned with is that no one is injured needlessly because someone decides that a smaller work force requires less concern for safety.

> George C. Holling, General Manager Peter Kiewit Sons' Co. Portsmouth Area AEC Project

MISS McMANAWAY TO WED

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Mc-Manaway, who reside at 403 Broadway, Portsmouth, are announcing the engagement of their daughter Joan to Quartermaster Second Class James A. Ellison of the U.S. Navy.

Miss McManaway has been employed by the PKS Tabulating Department for the past twenty eight months.

QM 2/c Ellison is presently stationed at the Navy Yards in Norfolk, Virginia.

The wedding date has not been set for the young couple.

Your Paper Needs You

THE ATOMIZER is published in the interests of project employees. Why not get in on

Perhaps you have a friend or acquaintance who has an unusual hobby, is getting married, or has accomplished something newsworthy.

stories have come from a "tipoff" by an employee.

Why not give the editor a call if you have some news?

- THINK SAFETY -

CRUSADE FOR SAFETY

If everyone who drives a car Could lie a month in bed, With broken bones and stitched-up wounds,

Or fractures of the head; And there endure the agonies That many people do. They'd never need preach safety Any more to me or you. If everyone could stand beside The bed of some close friend And hear the doctor say, "No hope Before that fatal end; And see them there unconscious, Never knowing what took place The laws and rules of traffic I am sure we'd soon embrace. If everyone could meet

The wife and children left behind And step into that darkened home Where once the sunlight shined, And look upon "the vacant chair."

Where Daddy used to sit, am sure that each reckless driver Would be forced to think a bit; If everyone who takes the wheel

Would say a little prayer, And keep in mind those in the car Depending on his care, And make a vow and pledge himself

To never take a chance,

The Great Crusade for Safety Would suddenly advance.

- Author unknown

FIRST FOR BEASLEYS

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry C. Beasley are proudly announcing the arrival of a new son, David Lee, born at the Mercy Hospital in Portsmouth.

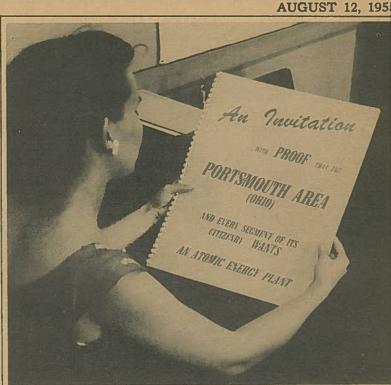
The boy, the young couple's first, was born August 6, at 9:00 P. M., and weighed seven

Mr. Beasley has been employed in the PKS Crafts Division for the past twenty months.

The Beasleys reside at 3919 Rhodes Ave., New Boston.

OHIO STATE FAIR

Have you enjoyed the Ohio State Fair during your stay in Many of our human interest the Atomic Area? Employees and their families will be welcomed to one of the nation's most elaborate of agricultural exhibits which will be held at Columbus August 26 through

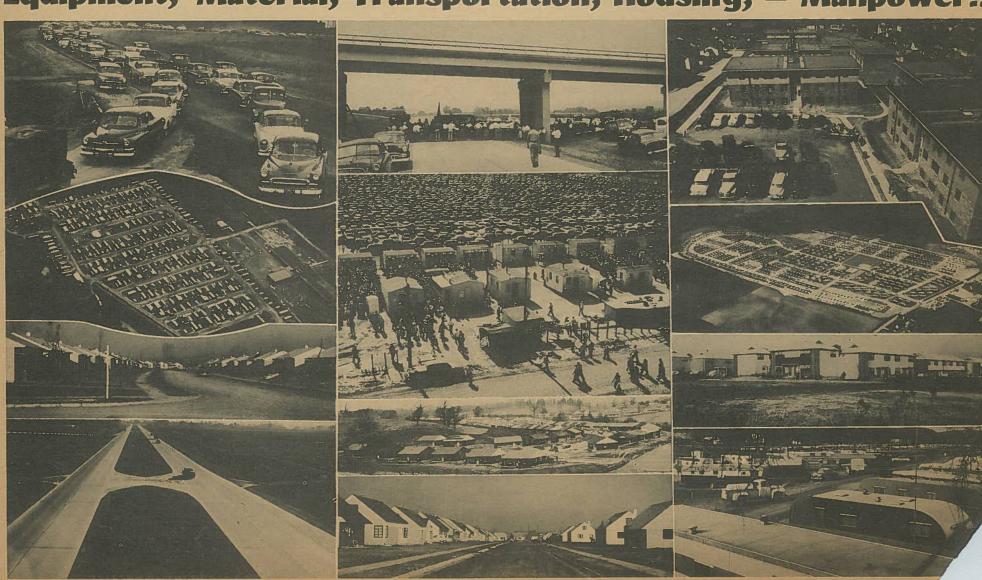


Prior to the A-site announcement, individuals and organization of the area had been busily preparing an interesting plea for col sideration by AEC. The above brochure, being scanned by Diar Mustard of the Recreation Division, was published through the coordinated efforts of business firms, civic clubs, local government officers, schools and P. T. A., women's organizations, labor, prefessional and trades associations, veterans-patriotic organization churches and religious groups, fraternal and athletic organization and individuals. Excellent geographical position, labor potentia raw material availability, transportation facilities, and unanimou civic indorsements were factors placed before the Commission Contents of the brochure is certainly convincing proof that organ zation of effort turns the wheels of progress, The copy used in th photograph was furnished by B. LeRoy Compton, owner-manage of the Compton Engraving Printing Co., Portsmouth. The valuable document will be presented to the City Library for use by future generations.



Could we have accomplished our outstanding safety record with out talking safety? No! This has been a very important contribution tion in the prevention of accidents.

Equipment, Material, Transportation, Housing, — Manpower





SOFTBALL

PORTSMOUTH SOF	TBA	LL LEA	GUE
Final Sta	ındin	ıg	
TEAM	W	L	Pct.
PKS	10	2	.833
Pipe Fab	9	3	.750
Clerks	6	6	.500
Reserves	5	7	.417
Grinnell Engineering	0	12	.000
PIKETON SOFTB	ALL	LEAGU	JE
Standings			
Givens	4	1	.800
Moore's Trailer Park	3	1	.750
Grinnell Fitters	3	1	.750
326 Fitters	3	1	.750
Community	1	3	.250

Piketon P. H. A.

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Portsmouth Bowling League Wants Teams

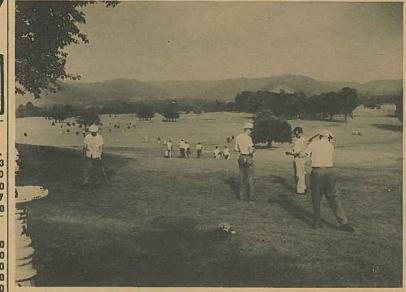
Newly-elected officers of the Portsmouth Mixed Bowling League have announced their plans for the fall-winter program which will begin Sunday evening, September 11, at 7:00 P. M., and will continue into May, 1956.

The thirty-five weeks schedule will again be rolled at the Classic Lanes in Portsmouth.

Officials of the league decided that each team would consist of two couples, not necessarily project employees or dependents, but could be local couples to assure completion of the schedule.

Interested parties may make arrangements to enter their team by contacting the Recreation Division on Extension 3442

GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNEY SCHEDULED FOR TOMORROW AT ELI



This will be a common view to project golfers tomorrow when they will tee-off at the beautiful Portsmouth Elks Country Club Golf Course. Contrary to the golfer's vernacular concerning "yardage" of a certain hole, the ol' country boy might ask, "What's the

Tournament Offers Opportunities To "Duffers" & Seasoned Vets; 1st Foursome Off At 8 A. M.

Fifty two Project Golf Championship tourney entries are scheduled to compete in the second annual affair to be held tomorrow, August 13, at the Portsmouth Elks Country Club.

Many of the project golfers to play in the tournament have established handicaps by participating in the earlier Recreation Division sponsored tourneys this season. This does not disqualify those who have not turned in their scores, as they will be given a handicap upon completion of their eighteen holes to-

The tournament has been designed not only to select a champion golfer but has provided opportunities for the "duffer" to come in for his share of the prizes as well as the seasoned

The championship will be decided by the use of the U.S.G. A. Handicap System for eighteen holes. "Mulligans" will be permitted on the first hole only; thereafter, official U.S.G.A. and local club rules will prevail.

In addition to the championship trophy and runner-up award, there will also be prizes for a Callaway handicap play. low gross, most pars, high net, Blind Bogey-holes, Blind Bogey-

net, and a driving contest. Wide distribution of the awards and prizes is assured by the restriction that a golfer can win no more than one event. Duplicate prizes will be given in case of

Golfers are instructed to report at No. 1 Tee upon arrival at the course and to maintain schedule for tee-time as assigned. When turning in your card at the pro-shop, please make sure that your last name is clearly shown.

TOURNAMENT FOURSOMES

Time Out

8:00-Wedge, VeHaun, Hogan

Herring 8:05-Key, Cole, Wright,

Gillespie 8:10-Conroy, Skinner, Peters

Horning. 8:15-Smathers, Sackett, Lee,

Ellenwood 8:20-Mackley, Burns, Bowman, Waterman

8:25—Schuerman, D. Bailey. Conley, Brumley

8:30—Holling, Senior, Clark, Gerlach 8:35—Talmadge, Rose, B. John-

ston, L. Hill 8:40-Carter, Whitt, M. Johnson,

8:45-Failes, F. Harris, Taller-

ico, Hunt 8:50-Senti, Norton, Firth, Westervelt

8:55-Cline, Hull, Maher, Barker 9:00—J. Bailey, A. Hill, Atherton, Landstrom

HANDICAPS FOR PROJECT

Handicap lack Schuerman Dewey Conley Don Bailey Dick Firth Jim Westervelt 10 Bob Gillespie 10 John Norton 11 Roy Key 11 Jim Cole 11 Don Wedge 12 Ab Wright 12 John Senti 13 Joe Brumley 14 J. S. Herring Walter VeHaun 17 John Hogan 17 John Clark Louis Hunt 21 Jake Frowine 23 Al Hull 25 **Howard Cline** 29 Bill Maher Jack Atherton

Arlie Hill

PKS Champs Of Portsmouth League; Piketon Teams Close Play This Week

Although idle in the final game of the season, the PKS team held on to undisputed first place when the "underdog" Marine Reserves dampened the hopes of the Pipe Fab team, defeating the

league runners-up 7-3 in action at Riverside Park Monday even-

early in the first inning on a walk, followed by a drive through the box which went for a double and knocked in the first tally. A stolen base and error accounted for another run before the side was retired.

The Reserves went down in order in the first on strikeouts. Finding the range in the second stanza, the Marines picked up one run on a single, fielder's choice and a wild pitch.

Two runs on two singles and an error pushed the Marines out in front in the fourth inning 3-2. They were able to strengthen their lead in the fifth on two walks and two errors, making the score 7-2.

Pipe Fab added their final run in the last inning on a walk and an error.

By virtue of the upset the Pipe Fab squad had to be content with second place for the season with six won-six lost. The Marines closed with a 5-7 record, leaving Grinnell Engineering in the cellar with 0-12.

The playoff game which decided the first round champions of the Piketon Softball League went to the Moore's Trailer Park nine by defeating the Grinnell Fitters 5 to 1 Monday, August 1, at the Piketon High School diamond.

Neither team was able to hit the scoring column until the top of the third inning when with two away and two men on, Ish Ward, Moore's shortstop, banged a homerun to chase two runners in before him.

Moore's came back in the fourth inning to score two more runs, on three walks and two hits to increase their lead to 5-0.

Dutch Rankin, pitcher for the winners, was in complete control of the game, allowing but two hits while going the route. The only run scored against him was unearned in the fourth inn-

At the time of writing, the Piketon League, scheduled for completion last Wednesday evening, will probably be extended due to ties in the final standings demanding further playoff games. In case of a new second-round winner, there will be a best two-of-three championship playoff with the first round

NOTE TO GOLFERS!

Quite frequently the golfer wonders if he is using the right club for a particular shot then often regrets his selection.

Perhaps the answer can be found in a statement recently made by Bob Hope.

"The country club was made up of the extremely rich. They not only carried a full set of clubs but had them in half-sizes."

Beginners & Advanced Pipe Fab hopped out in front Swim Class Completed

The third and final session of the Learn To Swim program was completed at Lake White last Tuesday, August 9, when 9 beginners and 14 advanced swimmers were presented certificates for successful completion of the course.

A highly-popular activity of the Recreation Division, the Learn To Swim program has received many complimentary comments from the parents of the children, as well as the adults who participated in the swim classes.

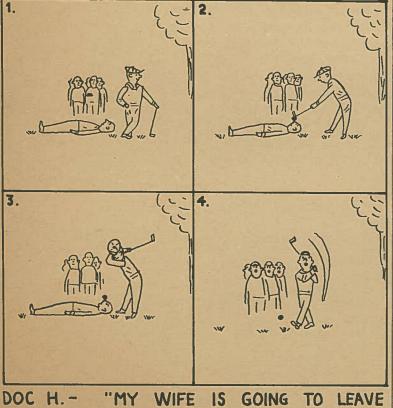
Advanced swimmers graduating were: Earl Moates, Jr, John R. Atherton, Grant Landstrom, Johnny Weisser, Josie Lindley, Joey Partain, Osa Blakeman, Rose Ann Blakeman, Wilma Ritchie, Eddie Ritchie, Gary Beach Dixon, Curtis Williams, Jackie Lee Williams, and Vadaree Moates.

Beginners graduating were: Buddy Worrel, Mary K. Masters, Randy Masters, Bob Masters, Janet Atherton, David Maxey, Jane Beard, Mildren Dunning, and Mary Dunning.

Project Golf Champ '54



Jack Schuerman, PKS Engineer, was recently caught in a pleasant and confident pose as the date for the third annual Project Golf Championship Tourney drew nearer. Jack won the event last year, firing a four over par 76 to capture the crown. The consistent golfer has always been among the winners this season in the Callaway tourneys, and is going into the tournament with a tough handicap. However, by the looks of the grin on his face, the '54 champ is not going to relinquish his title without a battle. The question is-WHO WILL BE THE PROJECT GOLF TOURNA-MENT CHAMP FOR 1955??

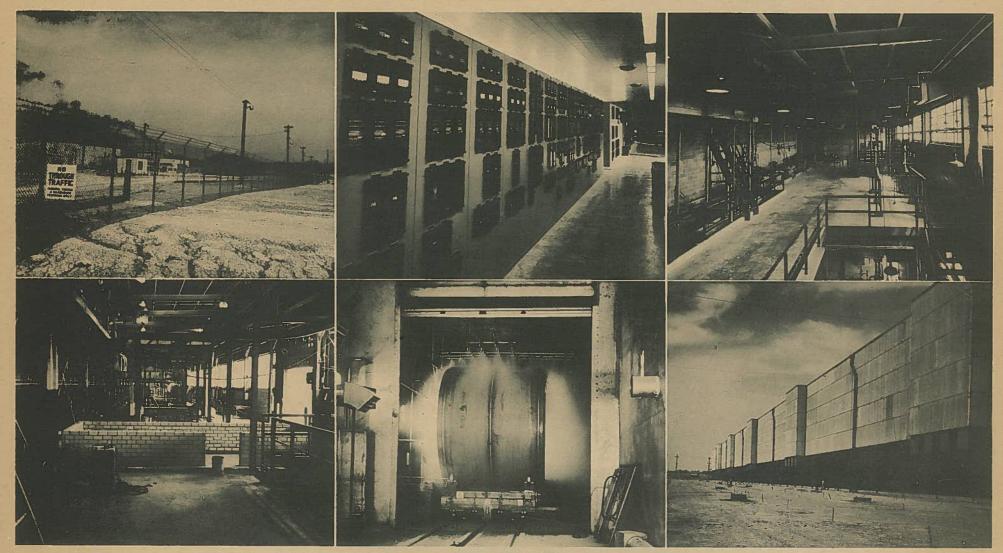


ME IF I DON'T QUIT PLAYING SO MUCH GOLF."

"MAN, THAT'S TOUGH!"

"YOU KNOW, I'M GOING MISS THE OL' GAL "

FROM PRINTS AND PLANS AND BUSY HANDS COME PROGRE



SUMMER

It is summer —

Heat, oppressive, glaring bright

Beating down, daring man to move . . . limpid, perspiring feature, protests —

THEN:

A single cloud, pale and wispy, moves gracefully across the Silence, the smell of wet earth, sky . . .

Momentarily screens the sun -Behind the shadow, great dark masses join, moving quickly to support their vanguard . . .

Lightning flashes, great rumblings join man's feeble protest -

Majestically advancing they

hide the sun — Rain falls, George Koch Employee great torrents flow downward, gone are the dust devils, borne away by gusts that carry rain in sheets -

The light flashes; the thunder rolls triumphantly,

man, moving slowly dour in Heat is conquered-Man moves out briskley ... Blessed relief, Noisy thunderstorm.

Sequel:

the bright glare of the sun, gathering strength ...

Heat returns; man moves slowly protestingly . . .

It is summer.

-Annonymous

THINK SAFETY -

Has Famed Cousin 'Roy'



Cowboy in a hard hat? No, this is Sheet Metal Worker Albert F. Slye, who is very closely related to one of our well-known Hollywood cowboys, Roy Rog-

"The King of the Cowboys" was commonly known in the Duck Run, Portsmouth area, when he was a growing boy as Leonard Slye. The name of Roy Rogers was assumed when he hit the trail westward to fame and fortune and is now familiar to all western movie-goers and TV-viewers.

Roy has not forgotten his friends and relatives who still remain in his old community, and during a lull in his busy schedule he is able to visit with

Albert, whose father was a brother of Roy's father, now resides at 916 Gay Street, Portsmouth, with his wife Inez and daughters Joan 15, and Emogene 16. Another daughter Mrs. Regina Hiles, her husband and children reside at Rushtown.

A son, Captain Thomas E. Slye, is with the PKS Guard

"No, I'm not much interested in guns or cowboys," commented Slye, when questioned about any common interests with the famed cousin. Apparently he is far removed from western living, having been employed on this project for nineteen months. parking lots, and paved streets.

SON FOR DINSMORES

Harry Chambers Dinsmore III, was born at the Portsmouth General Hospital, July 6, and weighed 9 lbs., 91/4 ozs. The new arrival is the son of Jack and Dotty Dinsmore, presently residing at 1025 Kent St., Apt. 3A, Portsmouth. The proud father is employed as a cost engineer by Geo. Koch Sons, Inc., while Dotty will be remembered as a former employee of PKS in Accounts Payable.

ANNUAL ADAMS COUNTY FAIR TO START TUESDAY, AUG. 23

The annual Adams County Fair will begin Tuesday, August 23, at West Union and will continue through Friday even-

Day and night sessions of big, new features will provide plenty of entertainment for the children and adults.

Project employees are invited to enjoy the hospitality of a good old-fashioned county fair just a few short miles from the plant site.

West Union is situated on State Routes 125 and 41.

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.

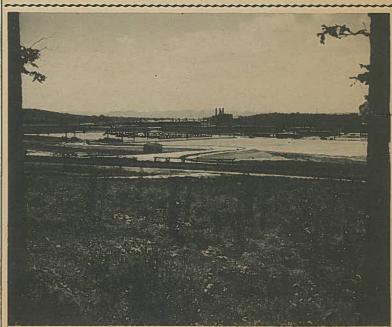
Phone 3442 or 3588

WANTED — Two girls want rides from Jackson and Beaver to Adm. Bldg. on 8:00 to 4:30 shift. Contact Dorinalene Bradley, Ext. 3875.

WANTED-To join car pool from Huntington to Adm. Bldg. on 8:00 to 4:30 shift. Contact W. B. Hornvale, Ext. 2857 or Huntington 24112.

WANTED — Ride or to join pool from 1324 Third St., West Portsmouth, to Adm. Bldg. on 8:00 to 4:30 shift. Contact Julio Martinez. Ext. 2521.

WANTED - Information concerning project employees with unusual hobbies or outstanding accomplishments. Call THE ATOMIZER on Ext. 3442 or 3588.



Where once the farmer tilled the soil and grass, trees and wildlift were in abundance, now stands evident proof of the many ho of construction work which has changed the scene to build



So you think it's been hot? Salvage yard workers don't have to be told to stay away from the flames of the oil pit which burns approximately 500 gallons of used oil each week. Flames and smoke billow upward with intense heat to destroy one of the very few items that cannot be salvaged after use on the project.