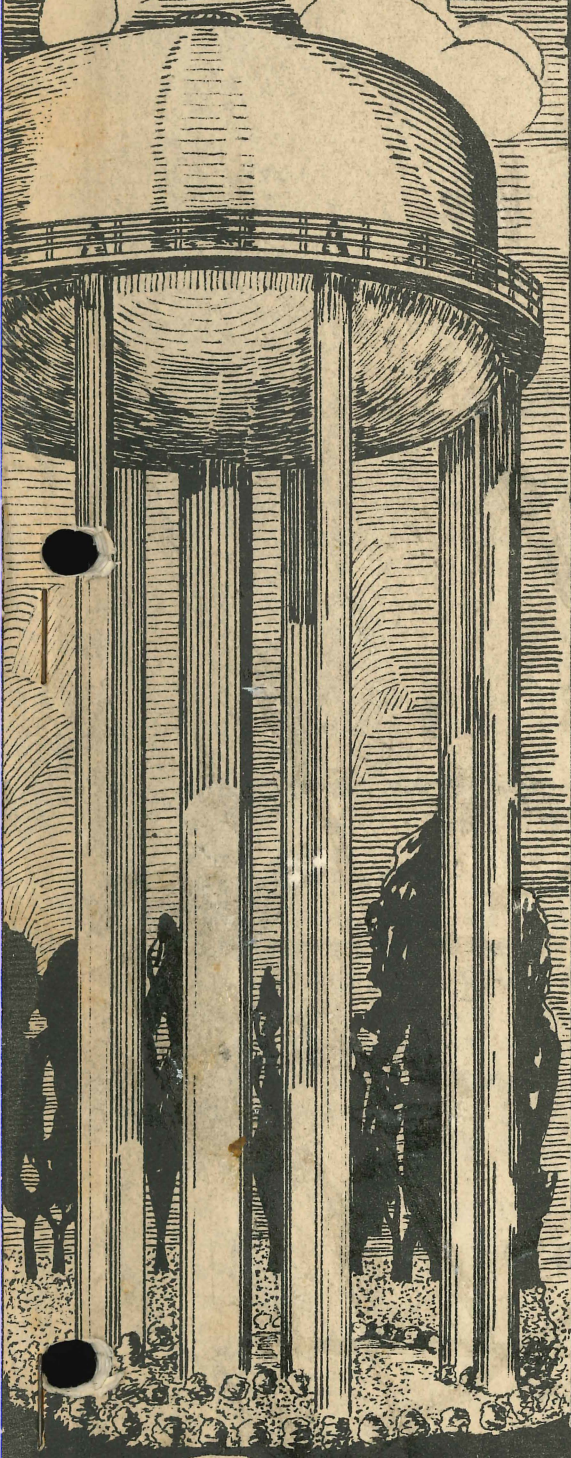


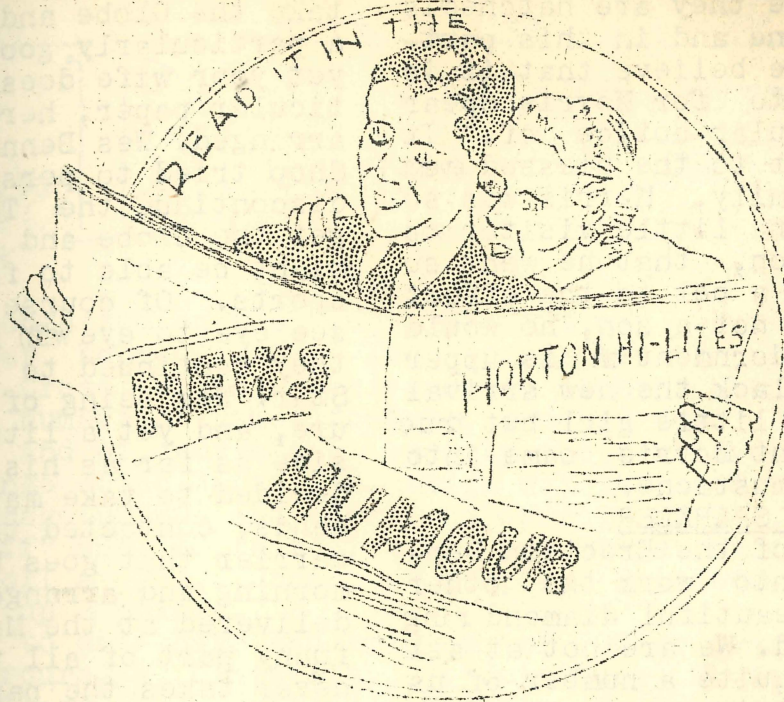
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WE NEVER KNEW

We have often heard of people trying to act younger than they are but it is a rare occasion when you see someone in their late twenties or so, acting older than their age. We have a very good example of this in the person of Ed McAlpine of the Machine Shop, lately referred to as "Pop". It seems that Ed and Bob Barlow were going over to Buffalo the other evening via the Peace Bridge and when they were being questioned by the Immigration officer on the U.S. side, the officer asked Ed if his son (referring to Bob) was returning with him. Naturally Ed was a little upset, and the next day at work he was quite interested in finding out whether or not he actually looked old enough to be Bob's father.

NEW MEN

We would like to extend a welcome to the following new men in the Main Shop. C. Johnston, H. Barnhart, H. Laverty. We would also like to welcome back Dave Hutton who has returned with us again. Dave left our employ last July. We would also like to extend a welcome to Louie McDermott of the Drafting Room. Louie was a former Fleet employee.

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SIGN LANGUAGE???

We are told that Mrs. Johnnie Leask had such a case of laryngitis that she had to converse by using a pad and writing on it. As everyone knows Johnnie loves a good joke and we believe that he intimated that the laryngitis had affected her hearing also and that anyone wishing to talk to her would also have to do a little writing. We are told that Ollie Benner, was the particular one that was taken in on this little joke the other evening when Ollie stopped in to convey his sympathy to Mrs. Leask, and of course started to converse with her by means of writing. Mrs. Leask was in on the joke and let Oliver do his best to try and convey his sympathy. Johnnie was out of the room at the time all this was taking place, and needless to say he had a very good laugh. It was made known to Ollie that Mrs. Leask could hear even if she couldn't speak. Oliver's face was quite red.

HOME AGAIN

We are more than pleased to report that George Young's son Russell who recently underwent an operation for appendicitis has recovered and is back home with his family.

MISTAKEN

The old adage of "don't count your chickens before they are hatched" is known by everyone and in this particular case, we believe that it is quite appropriate for Morris Spear to take particular notice of. It seems that prior to the blessed event in the Spear family, Morris was so positive that the little visitor was going to be a son, that he went so far as to make a bet to the effect that if it were not a son, he would shave off the adornment on his upper lip. Alas and alack the new arrival was a beautiful little girl but true to his statement Morris came into work minus his mustache.

NEW SPARKLER

Marie Donnelly of the Erection Department came into work the other morning with a beautiful diamond ring on her left hand. We are not at all surprised, as quite a number of us have seen a certain young man from Buffalo by the name of Dave hanging around quite a bit in the past. We would like to take this opportunity of extending our congratulations to Marie and her boyfriend.

BACHELORS NOTE

Oliver Benner came into work the other morning with lipstick on the side of his face. Ollie has either found a lady friend or else he forgot to wipe his face after his sister kissed him good-bye when he dropped her off for work at the Arner Co. Never mind Ollie at least you didn't come into work with your shirt collar covered with lipstick like Frank Allen does.

ST. VALENTINES DAY

The day of sweethearts has gone by again, but the big question of the hour still remains, "Who sent Miss Lamb the valentine. The valentine had Mel Lawtons name on it, but Mel strongly denies having sent Miss Lamb the said valentine. In fact Mel was so perturbed about the whole affair that it would not be well for the person that actually did send it to be made known to Mel. Yet again on a second thought we are wondering whether or not this might be a cover up strategy. How about it Mel?

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Beware of women who stroke your hair. They frequently are after your scalp.

MARRIED MEN TAKE NOTICE

If you are sports minded and wish to take the Globe and Mail, which has a particularly good sports page, and yet your wife doesn't like this particular paper, here's how it can be arranged. Wes Benner of the Machine Shop tried to persuade his wife to discontinue the Toronto Star, and get the Globe and Mail so that he might be able to follow the various sports. Of course as Wes couldn't see eye to eye with her, naturally they continued to take the Toronto Star. Wes being of a determined nature, and yet a little on the timid side as far as his wife is concerned decided to take matters in his own hands, contacted the Globe and Mail carrier that goes by the plant each morning and arranged to have the paper delivered at the Machine Shop. The funny part of all this is that Wes never takes the paper home with him after work. We are wondering whether or not Mrs. Benner is aware of what Wes is doing.

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While we are on the topic of Valentines day, you should have seen the big orchid that Marie Donnelly was sporting around the office the day after. Boy I'll bet that took a lot of giving the night before.

NEW ARRIVALS

Congratulations are in order to the following proud parents who have had additions to their families since the publication of the last Hi-Lites Mr. & Mrs. Morris Spear, a daughter Donna Morrean, Born January 24, 1947. To Mr. & Mrs. Robert Laird a son, Brian Bernard, born January 27, 1947. To Mr. & Mrs. Doug McClary a son, Robert Frederick, born February 1, 1947. To Mrs. & Mrs. Ray Schooley, a daughter Joan Ann, born February 8, 1947. For a while the atmosphere in the Main Office and the Shop was thickly clouded with cigar smoke due to the proud fathers passing out cigars in honor of their new arrivals.

AT CONVENTION

Aubrey Burnett of the Traffic Department attended the Canadian Industrial Traffic League convention at the Royal Comnaught Hotel at Hamilton recently. Aubrey reports that the convention was a real success, and he enjoyed every moment of it. We don't doubt it.



BOWLING

A rare incident occurred on Feb. 10, 1947. It may be that such an occurrence will never happen again. Two of our bowlers on that date (J. Johnstone and G. Crase of the Receivers and Machine Shop respectively) bowled the same number of games to date, knocked down exactly the same number of pins, and of course had exactly the same average. To bring about this strange coincidence, the stage was set on Feb. 3, when Johnstone had an average of 206 and Crase an average of 202. Johnstone obligingly was "off" Feb. 10 to roll a 511 and Crase was really "on" the same night to roll a 701. Johnstone dropped 2 points in his average while Crase went up 2 points.

The following to date have had triples of 700 or over: R. McEachern, F. Bowley, B. Purpura, W. Clatworthy, J. Johnstone, S. Allen, R. Schooley, O. Spear, D. McClary, W. Zanutto, A. Renshaw, W. Benner, G. Crase, A. Barnhart, R. Barlow, B. Sugden.

Averages not mentioned on the weekly score sheet are: J. Purpura 190, J. Bews 168, W. Mossom, 174, L. McCarthy 176, J. Colman 185, O. Nicks 158, F. Bowley 193, W. Clatworthy 191, J. Leask 166, S. Allen 182, O. Benner 140, C. Lutley, 194, S. Passero 186, G. Asplin, 159, M. DeRiviere 162, S.M. Head 160, C. Gentles 178, J. Possler 165, G. Curtis 167, P. Benner 163, R. Schooley 193, A. Paliska 159, M. Hildreth 189, M. Spear 192, A. Burnett 179, B. Shular 162, A. Hurren 163, C. Simpson 174, J. Bougie 175, R. Roth 177, W. Byers 180, A. Barnhart 189, W. Lewis 172, L. Johnson, 145, A. Chapman 140, A. Spirko 162, R. Barlow 192, B. Sugden 189, J. Hicken 194, E. McAlpine 184, P. Smith 165, W.R. Manock 150, D. Morningstar 154.

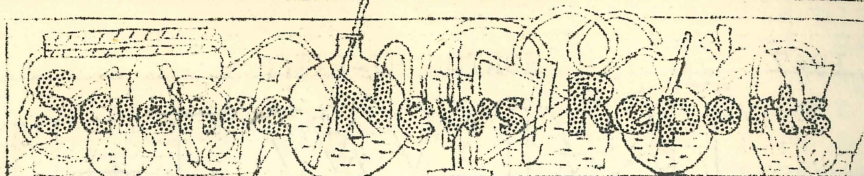
On behalf of the Horton Steel Bowling League we wish to acknowledge with thanks the sweaters which were kindly donated by the company to those attending 662/3% of the games in the B,C,&D series of the league season 1945 to 1946.

League Manager	B. E. Sugden
League Treasurer	Jim Bougie
League Statistician	Maurice Spear

A new Bowling Ball is made of aluminum. Forged in two sections, welded together and ground to perfect smoothness, claims for the ball are that it will meet all specifications set up by the American Bowling Congress. One of its greatest advantages lies in the fact that the ball won't chip or have its essential perfect roundness affected.

FLASH !!

Word was received as we were going to press that Len Russell is the proud father of a baby girl, Susan Elizabeth, born in the Buffalo Childrens Hospital, February 23. Both mother and father are doing fine.



"ESTATE" OF \$7.54 FOUND IN STOMACH OF OSCAR, THE SEAL

Oscar, pet seal of California Academy Sciences, used to dive for pennies. Having no pockets in his sealskin coat, he swallowed them. That was where he made his fatal mistake.

One morning he was found dead on the floor of his pool. Autopsy disclosed that he had nearly four pounds of coins in his stomach, amounting to \$7.54. These included a good many of the wartime "white pennies" which contained zinc, suspected of being poisonous.

MEN OF MARS

Men will look like Martians when they zoom their jet-planes into the stratosphere, if a pressure suit designed by three Akron engineers comes into general use. The problem was to encase a man in something that would maintain normal atmospheric pressure around his body at great heights, yet allow complete freedom of movement. The torso and upper arms could be covered with pieces resembling fourteenth-century armour, but greater flexibility had to be provided for the coverings of elbows, hips and knees.

This was achieved by annualr bulges of rubber-impregnated fabric, one above another, giving the general appearance of a series of small pneumatic tires. Longitudinal straps hold the segments in line.

Over the wearer's helmeted head is a second, transparent covering, looking very much like an inverted goldfish bowl, gasketed securely against the ring-shaped neckpiece. Tubes for air and oxygen and wires for heating electricity are let in through one hose attachment at the waist.

SOLES FROM SINEWS

Sinew from within the steer's body as well as leather from the outside can now be used for shoe soles. By a process developed originally at the

university of Kentucky, the tendon of Achilles, which is the big sinew on the back of the hind leg, can be chemically digested and pressed into sheets of tough, flexible, sole leather like material

MONKEYS SCRATCH FOR SALT

To answer some of its most-asked questions, the Lincoln Park Zoo in Chicago started a series of bulletins which are posted in each of the five animal houses.

Here are some of the answers:

Monkeys and dogs both scratch, but the monkeys are scratching for salt not fleas.

Tiny particles of salt on the simian skin are considered tasty by the monkeys.

Cats can see in the daylight and are blind in total darkness.

Opposums are related to kangaroos. Both are marsupials, and the females of both animals carry their young in pouches.

The fastest running animal is the Cheetah. Record speed: 70 miles per hour.

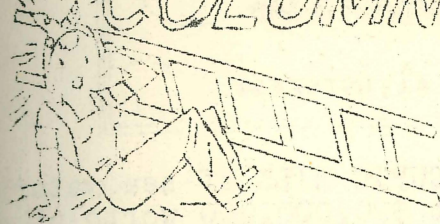
Snakes are among the farmers' best friends: they eat mice that eat grain.

WHY IS THE OCEAN BLUE?

Why is the ocean blue? a new answer to this age-old question has been found in a newly-reported attempt to use light rays in anti-submarine warfare.

In attempting to find ways of combating German submarines, two scientists discovered that there exist in every cubic inch of clear ocean water about a million and a half dust-like particles, each about one fifty-thousandth of an inch in diameter. These particles reflect sunlight back to the surface. But light that gets back to the surface has been filtered: water absorbs the red and yellow colors of light, leaving greens, blues, and violets, the combination of which is the indigo blue common to deep ocean water.

SAFETY COLUMN



On Feb. 7th the Niagara Falls Fort Erie section of the Industrial Accident Prevention Association held a dinner meeting at the Hotel Fort Erie. It was considered the best safety meeting ever held in Fort Erie with 90 people in attendance. Horton Steel had 25 representatives there.

Among the officials in attendance were R.B. Morley of Toronto who is General Manager and W. R. Manock, President of the I.A.P.A.; H.W. Bates of Niagara Falls, chairman of the Niagara Division and T. H. Hamel Vice Chairman of the Niagara Falls Fort Erie section. Also A. Pybus Inspector and Mrs. Shoultz, Secy. Mr. Dissington of Buffalo was the guest speaker who gave an outstanding address on accident prevention.

On Feb. 24th we have completed 255 days without a lost time accident. We are proud of this record but we have to go a long way yet to beat the Birmingham plant who have recently completed 365 days.

The Safety Committee has had two meetings since last months issue and have turned in some very good safety suggestions.

Our housekeeping shows good improvement but there are complaints about material being piled when operators of wall cranes have to climb over it. Also ladders and blocking have been seen left lying across passageways, and then there is that passageway between the center of the Main Shop and the door leading to the lunchroom should be kept clear.

There are some fellows who are so anxious to get at their lunch at noon that they sometimes run through the shop. This is contrary to the safety rules of the shop since

a fall in our shop may result in a serious injury.

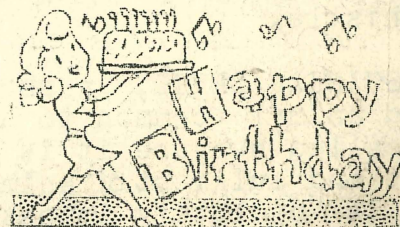
Loads are sometimes left hanging from cranes at quitting time. They should always be lowered to the floor. Also material is sometimes left in a punch or shear where it may obstruct passage around the machine. These may cause accidents to anybody but more especially to the watchman after dark.

Safety hooks have proved very satisfactory for lifting plates and they should always be used whenever possible.

Some time is saved by throwing tools and light material up to a man standing on top of a tank but it is a very unsafe practice. Take a little longer and be safe.

We have been handling some very heavy sphere plates in the shop. Double C clamps have been made for handling such material and we should never take a chance with a single clamp.

There is a lot of ice on walkways and probably will be for a few weeks yet; We have sand in convenient pails, and it should be used as often as necessary to make walking safe.



F. Goulding	Feb. 12
K. Gilmour	" 21
R. Eberly	" 27
R. Glover	" 7
H. Barnhart	" 22
H. Laverty	" 6
R. Spear	" 9
H. Learn	" 7
H. Ford	" 13
R. Barlow	" 6
G. Young	" 13
G. Asplin	" 23
W. Ciatworthy	" 28

... Et Cetera

FACTS OF MORE THAN USUAL INTEREST

A FRENCH WORKMAN, angry at his employer, threw his wooden shoe into the machinery..others followed his example Now, when machinery is destroyed during labour disputes, it is called sabotage, because "sabots" is the French word for shoes.

MEDIEVAL ITALIAN MERCHANTS once displayed their wares on benches. When one of their number failed the others drove him away and broke his bench signifying that he was "banco rotto," or unable to pay his debts. From this came the word "Bankrupt."

THE YOUNG of some Australian birds have luminous tissue in or around their mouths to guide parents in feeding them. Handy, what?

WHISTLER'S FATHER, one of the greatest railway builders in the United States, invented the original locomotive whistle.

THE TASMANIAN DEVIL, a short, black-hunched animal common to Australia, is so called because it is among the meanest and sulkiest of animals. Taming it is absolutely impossible. One scientist did discover, though, that the poor devil is always covered with fleas--and believes the animal's disposition could be improved if somebody only worked up enough courage to give it a bath.

HEPSIBAH METON, a Puritan lady, made a habit of baking two or three dozen apple pies each Saturday. She placed them on shelves in her pantry, labeling each as to when it was to be used. The pantry thus arranged was said to be in "apple pie order."

OUT OF ILMENITE, a mineral blacker than coal, chemists make titanium dioxide, the whitest substance known to man.

ONE CUBIC MILE of sea water contains about \$20,000,000 worth of gold, but the cost of extraction would be five times its value.

ERIC OF SWEDEN once approached an enemy town with so small a band of soldiers that the enemy in derision hung out a goose for him to shoot at. Eric conquered, nevertheless, and when the villagers asked what terms he demanded he replied, "I want to cook your goose," originating an expression that is still widely used.

THE TRAVELS OF THOMAS, a beer-drinking, bun-eating donkey, became a political issue recently in the English village of Cinderford. Thomas, it seems, thought nothing of making a U-turn in the middle of a block to dun a kindly grocer for a cookie or bun. And if another benefactor hailed him from a pub, Thomas would trot across--regardless of oncoming vehicles--to drink a half-pint of beer. Thomas' critics demanded that his owner keep him locked up or otherwise dispose of him.

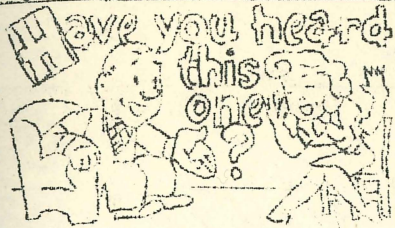
Digging into ancient statutes, Thomas' pals discovered a 500-year old law which gave donkeys the same right as sheep to wander and graze at will. To outlaw Thomas his foes would have to get the British Parliament to amend the law.

Meanwhile, Thomas grazes at will on beer and buns--and nobody in Cinderford tries to say him neigh.

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IF A MAN with a good crop of whiskers shaved every day, religiously for a year and stood each day's cuttings atop the preceding day's, he would wind up with a stack of whiskers seven and a quarter inches high. If the same fellow decided to skip shaving for a year, he'd have a beard that was only six inches long at most.

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A bill rendered by a painter for repairing the frescoring of a church in Belgium was disputed; he there upon submitted the following memoranda:

1. Corrected the Ten Commandments.....\$5.12
 2. Embelished Pontius Pilate and put new ribbons in his hat----- 3.02
 3. Put new tail on rooster of St. Peter and mended his comb..... 3.20
 4. Replumed and gilded left wing of Guardian Angel 4.18
 5. Washed servant of High priest and put canine on his cheek 5.12
 6. Renewed Heaven, adjusted the stars and cleaned the moon..... 7.15
 7. Reanimated the flames of Purgatory and restored souls..... 3.06
 8. Revived flames of Hell put new tail on devil, mended his left hoof, and did several jobs for the dammed 7.17
 9. Rebordered the robe of Herod and readjusted his wig..... 4.00
 - 10 Put new spotted dashes on son of Tobias, and dressing on his sack 2.00
 - 11 Cleaned Balaam's Ass and shod him..... 3.02
 - 12 Mended snirt of prodigal son and cleaned his ears 4.00
 - 13 Put ear-rings into the ears of Sarah 2.04
 - 14 Put new stone in David's sling, enlarged the head of goliath and extended his legs. 3.02
 - 15 Decorated Noah's Ark 3.00
- Total \$59.19

As she balanced herself in the crowded subway, her arms were full of bundles and her soul full of bitterness at all the comfortably seated males. But chivalry was not quite dead in the man seated in front of her, He lowered his paper and surveyed her with some solicitude. "Be alert at Peel Street, girlie," he admonished. "That's where I get off."

 He had been walking with one foot in the gutter and the other on the pavement and he was not getting on very well. After about a half mile he met a policeman. "You're drunk!" said the officer. "Thank goodness," he replied. "I thought I was lame."

 A distinguished gentleman went into a store in New York and asked to see shot guns. The clerk sizing him up as a man of means, showed him a fine English model priced at \$450. "That is a splendid gun," said the gentleman, but a little expensive." The clerk brought out a Belgian model priced at \$275. "Still a little too expensive," observed the gentleman.

A bit discouraged, the clerk said: "Well, here is a Winchester mass production stock model at \$17.50." With that the gentleman brightened. "That will do nicely. After all, it's only a small wedding."

 Many a girl in a mink coat is just a lamb in wolf's clothing.

 My career is promising, really, "what do you do?"
 "I Write Political speeches."