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# TWO HUNDRED FORTY-ONE NAMES ENTERED CONTEST

Jim Catlin Wins War Bond — Judges Have Tough Decision — Many Excellent Entries Submitted

Jim Catlin, lathe operator in the machine shop, entered the winning name for "NEWS CAST", and won the \$25 war bond offered in the first issue. His entry was one of 241 which came from every department.

The way everyone entered into this contest was really something to cheer about, because the entries, almost 100 percent, showed that everyone was genuinely interested and went at the job seriously. Only two contestants felt inclined to make a joke of the whole thing, and because all entries were identified by number only, only they know about it. The only entry identified was the winner, whose number was posted when the judges picked his idea.

"NEWS CAST" was chosen because it seemed to them to come nearer the requirements of a good name than any of the others. It ties in with an actual plant operation familiar to all. It is short and easily remembered. It can be illustrated and pictured effectively.

This was not by any means the only good name suggested. There were so many that the judges did a lot of head scratching and really got down to fine points before they finally chose the winner. We hope you'll like it.

## NEW EMPLOYEES

Word about Lindemans as a place to work gets around. Fred Henson, machinist helper, has come back. So has Val Weis, molder. John J. Stolz is another machinist helper, new on the roll. Ralph Skaggs, flanger at Moore Drydock in Oakland, Cal., has joined up on March 27 at Lindeman. Norman Dunbar, having taken A. S. T. R. training at Montana State University and Stanford, is working in the core room here while awaiting call to basic training at Amarillo, Tex. His father, Wes Dunbar, is in the pattern shop.

Other additions during the month are Ted Ellingham, in the office accounting department; Harry Matson, welder; Hubert Ryan, molder's helper; John Gordon, core room; Lynn Fisher, draftsman; Ben Andrews, mechanic; Ray Barnes, Robin Torrey, machinists; John J. Schuck and Skaggs, general helpers.

## STATIONARY HOP PICKER NOW IN WORKS

Priorities have been arranged for materials for a stationary hop picking machine, and work has already been started on the framework. Incorporated into this new model will be many new ideas developed by R. K. Arnett, with assistance of Maurice Boseck, Fred Robinson and others, in the operation of picking and re-cleaning mechanisms. It is hoped that the plant may go into production of a number of these machines next year.

## "TRUCK-MAN" IS NEW GAS POWER PACK MULE

That thing you see scooting around between foundry and shop is a "TRUCK-MAN", gas powered tray handler with hydraulic bed lift, capable of handling up to 2,000 lbs. of materials or castings at a load. Willis R. Spencer is jockey. Not liking the saddle provided, Willis has improvised one which can be raised or lowered depending on whether his load requires him to stand up to see ahead.

#### BONDS COMING UP!

Seventh war loan is now open, even though you haven't heard much of it as yet. Good time to be figuring how you can budget another bond or two.

Chirps and warbles from the vicinity of Engineering suggest a vocalizing contest there between Sparrows and Songbirds!

# Catlin Names Lindeman Paper



Who said lathe operators are off center? Look what Jim Catlin turned out—the new name for our paper! It mikes to a tenth of a thousandth, too.

# **NEWS CAST**

APRIL 1945

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Core Room	Milton Skrove
	Daisy Foster
	Galen Sutton
C. S. Foundry	Joe Normandin
Foundry Office	e Lloyd Rivard
Cleaning Roor	nTom Gallagher
Machine shop	(nights)John Green
Welding	Harschel Burke
Engineering	
Tractor	Ray Jordan
Stock room	Ray Alexander
Hop Picker	Fred Robinson
Machine ship.	Jim Catlin
Office	Nellie Holder
Stock room Hop Picker Machine ship.	Ray Jordan Ray Alexander Fred Robinson Jim Catlin

#### THOUGHT FOUNDRY

Our idea of a company paper has already brought us several surprises. We supposed that it would be hard to get enough news and information to fill the four pages we had in mind. Our first surprise was not the quality of the first issue but the overwhelming response to the request for suggestions for names for the paper.

I was chosen one of the judges, and I think the most interesting time I have had in a long while was the privilege of looking over the hundreds of names suggested. There was hardly a name suggested that wasn't hard to pass over in choosing the one that now heads the paper.

The next surprise was the enthusiasm with which everyone entered into the collecting and often the writing of news items, and suggesting ideas for the paper.

This proves what I have always contended, that in any organization of our size such an opportunity for expression would bring out a wide variety of talent. The material handed in for this issue shows that we have plenty of such talent, not only that pertinent to the making of a paper, but chiefly in the field of our profession of designing and manufacturing.

This is a good time, I think, to mention something that most of us are aware of. That is the burden under which most of our supervisors and foremen work these days. Our principal business is manufacturing, and in comparison with ten years ago, it is a nightmare. Ten years ago it was merely a matter of designing a good tool, having fair equipment and good men to handle the equipment. And, ten years ago, selling the tools we made was a real problem, too.

Today the sales problem is negligible. But most of the other problems are multipilled many times, and the chief one is co-ordinating

the manufacture of many different parts so as to bring them together at the right time for final assembly. Because of the shortage of a number of materials, this problem has become terrific.

Because this war time and there-for abnormal condition takes so much of management's time and attention, it may be that a lot of good men in the plant feel that their interest in their work and in the plant is not being observed and recognized as it should be. If any do feel that way, all I can say is that our intentions are good. And I can assure you that good workmanship and industry on the part of anyone in this plant will bring results for the individual. There is hardly a job in this plant which is not open some time to anyone who can prove his ability to handle that job. When some of the load imposed by these abnormal conditions is lifted from our supervisory personnel, you will learn that they have not been entirely unaware of individuals in their departments.

We want no one to feel that he is in a rut. We want each one feel that it is up to him to improve his own position in the company. It is our intention to give everyone this opportunity. It is no secret that this company, like many others, is terribly short of men qualified for supervisory jobs, throughout both plant and office, and we are sure that most of these jobs will eventually be filled by men who are now in the organization.

Jess Lindeman.

# PLANT CLOSED IN HONOR OF PRESIDENT

The entire plant was closed down from 12 noon to 2 p. m. on Saturday. April 14, on account of the funeral services for President Roosevelt.

# NICE WORK, ED

Ed Erickson, steel foundry foreman, has a habit of saying "It's a good day for a trip." Lately Ed announced it was a good day for a little time off and a trip to Idaho, and how good a day it was may be judged from the fact—discovered by us after his return—that Ed was married during the trip. (Last month, that was, too, before our reporters got on the job). Ed married Blanche Goenner of Twin Falls.

## WAR NOT ROMANTIC

"These islands aren't what they are cracked up to be," writes Ray A. Gaskin, \$5 1/c, to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Gaskin, from a battle-wagon somewhere on the Pacific, "and I'm ready to go home and forget about them any time they will let me." Ray reports having been in action at the Marianas, Yap, Okinawa, Formosa, having been in a couple of typhoons, and visited Honolulu during his time of service out there.

# Nick Schwindt Visits



Nick Schwindt, formerly in the Lindeman core room, called on his friends here while on furlough, April 16 to 23, awaiting navy assignment. He just finished basic training at San Diego.

# Ketchum Gets Ahead



Experience at Lindeman maybe helped Victor "Tex" Ketchum get ahead in the navy. Anyhow, he is now Chief Petty Officer, with about 400 men working under his supervision, in work similar to that he did here. Tex visited the plant on April 12, and looked sassy as ever, if not a trifle plumper. In service one year, Tex trained at seven different places all over the U. S., rates as Chief Metal Smith. This was his pre-embarkation leave, part of which he spent visiting his parents at Lewiston, Ida. Along with metal crafting, Tex just completed commando training, expects to be sent to the south Pacific for action.

#### MACHINE SHOP SHAVINGS

Al Sheffer (in wash room): "If I was two-faced I wouldn't wear this one."

#### Old Army Game

Donald Stone is making a pair of dice for his brother-in-law who is in the army—"loading" them to operate on a frequency of "Little Joe".

#### Fish Don't Know It!

Jim Gray caught a fish Wednesday. Jim also has a fishing license.

George Johnson: "I thought I cleaned this lathe yesterday."

Don Slack: "You did."

G. J.: "That's right. I must have worked today."

# THE IRON CASTERS

Jess Bowers of the cast iron foundry tests the temperature of the metal by running his hand through it. When asked how he kept from getting burned, he said it was the way he held his mouth.

#### ALL DOWN BUT NINE!

Lindeman bowling team in the Commercial league wound up the season in third place. In the Moose league Lindeman tied for fourth and fifth places.

#### BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Ray Alexander, April 13, 1945, a baby girl, who has been named Donna Jean.

To Mr. and Mrs. Ed Berry, March 21, 1945, a girl named Eunice May.

To Mr. and Mrs. Scott McBee, April 21, 1945, a girl.

#### IN THE DRAFT

Ed McNeal and Don La Vine have both received their calls to service. Stanley Benton and Clayton Rundgren have reported to Seattle for their physical examinations.

Paul Miller stood on the loading dock minding his own business when suddenly attacked by a divebombing sparrow. The sparrow's aim was excellent. Paul, taking his handkerchief and wiping his face, remarked: "It sure is a good thing that wasn't a flying cow!"

An X-ray picture can be taken through a foot of steel with a new 2,000,000 volt mobile X-ray unit developed in the research laboratory of General Electric Co. at Schenectady.

—INDUSTRIAL PROGRESS.

#### CAST IRON FOUNDRY SETS NEW RUN RECORD

Ray Smith reports that the cast iron foundry set a new record for a single day's run on April 3, pouring 11,500 pounds of iron. Aiding in this accomplishment were a large new moulding machine and Avon Stone, floor moulder, has a new crane.

Five ton days may happen again with this new equipment.

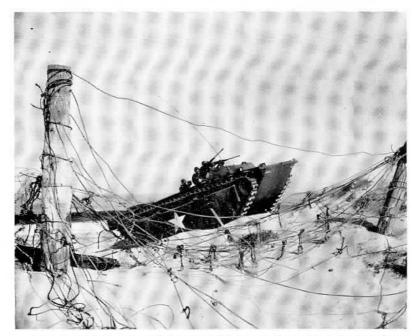
#### FOUNDRY DUST

Foreman **Gib Hunt** was observed wearing dark glasses—claims a piece of steel in his eye. We wondered if Gib just met a bigger man and zigged when he should have zagged!

# Lindeman Parts in Water Buffalo



This "Water Buffalo", equipped with rear ramp, is bringing cargo to beleaguered troops on a south Pacific beachhead. This model not only brought supplies but took wounded back to safety, when no other transportation could do it, and saved many lives.



Here is a "Water Buffalo", or amphibious tank (LVT A 2) scouting a tank trap. Food Machinery Corp. produced them—Lindeman supplied a small part, throttle brackets.



Weldon Thompson, who worked in the shop a couple of years before entering the army, stopped by to see us while on furlough. He has finished basic training and has been sent to California to await his call to service.

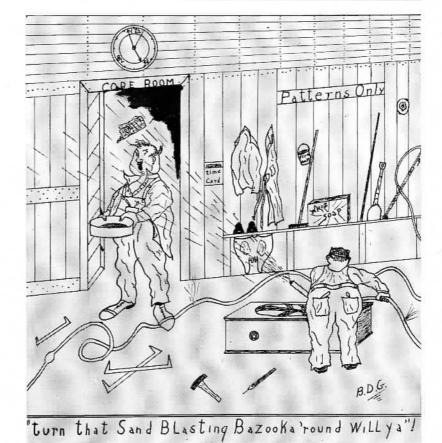
Larry Ronke, who works in the shop when he isn't fishing is reported in the local press to have caught a 5 pound rainbow in the Yakima river lately. He says cluster eggs did the trick. Our grapevine rumors that Otis Goode, also fishing, really caught the fish, and being a good sportsman, was about to throw this little one back in when Larry asked for it.

Fellows in the shop are glad to see **Herb Turner** back at his lathe after a trip to the hospital and a rest at home. The sugar beet growers (and Curtis Edwards, too) should be glad Herb waited until after he had finished the beet-seeder cases. He must have meant it when he said he was sick of them.

# Parish Killed



Death of Lt. Glen Parish, fighter pilot, in action over Italy was made known to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Parish of Selah, on April 13. Lt. Parish, formerly in Lindeman pattern shop, enlisted in the Air Corps March 9, 1943, trained at several bases, arrived in Italy in November, was recently advanced to first lieutenant. Besides his parents he is survived by three brothers, Verlynne of Seattle, Alvin of Tacoma, Donald of Selah.— (Picture from Yakima Morning Herald)



Maurice Hannify, bookkeeper in the stock room, is at home recovering from an operation. All join in hoping he is back soon better than ever.

Wonder what would happen in the shop if-

John Green didn't have a cigar in his mouth?

Tom Lynch wasn't finding fault with the foundry's castings?

Joe Webber ran out of snuff?

Herb Brumbaugh didn't spend most of his lunch time making knives out of saw blades?

Al Grow couldn't sit down while he worked?

Don Babbitt had to walk slow?
Ross Lindeman's steps were rationed?

Glen Wainscott didn't have a jig to make or remodel?

Otis Goode couldn't go fishing?

# SERVICE ADDRESSES WANTED!

To send "NEWS CAST" to Lindeman service men we must have their service addresses. Our list is still incomplete. If you have any of these addresses please check with the switchboard girl at main office. Lindeman service men who receive the paper are invited to write us. too.

#### BEET LOADERS WILL BE BETTER, SAYS "BUCK"

The 1945 model sugar beet loaders will be smaller and better than last year's reports H. B. "Buck" Fairbanks. Jigging up is now under way for production.

"If President Roosevelt had died 24 hours later, on Friday the 13th, a lot of superstitious individuals would have said "I told you so," says Buck Fairbanks.

Mrs. Don Babbitt, wife of Don Babbitt of tractor, was taken to the hospital on April 9 for treatment of a heart ailment. She was able to return home on April 13, and reported on the road to complete recovery, which we all hope for her.

Herman ("Smoky") Kastel and Leo Casper of tractor and welding pooled their wiles Sunday, April 15, and fooled enough fish at Wenas Lake so they both brought home their limit. Fishing, they said, was very good.

Tip Widner, grinder, took a trip to Missouri from March 30 to April 12, got a much-needed rest, and visited relatives and friends there. He has been working without a rest for two years, and has really been on the beam since his return.