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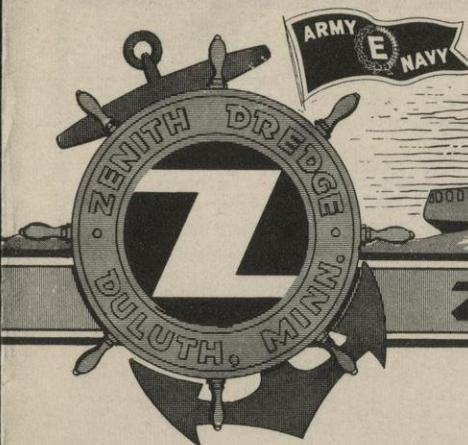
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### -BY THE WAYS...

- BY ARNOLD FOCHS -

Dave Kazen, who is 44 years old, lays claim to being the youngest grandfather in our yard.

Whoever it is that paints the signs around the yard, should brush up on their spelling....have you seen the sign which calls it the "Blacksmith Shoop"....

When Big Ben Reamer quit as a watchman to go to work out in the yard, Rod Chalmers was quite sure that Ben's former uniform would be a waste as no one could be large enough to fit it. But recently another guard was hired who did the trick quite neatly. He is Walmer Forsberg, another very big boy....

Incidentally, very soon we hope to run a picture showing Reamer and his assistant, one of the smallest men in the place. This combination is really the long and short of it, believe me.

Does any outfit need another soft-ball player? The Burners will swap Red Johnson for 2 Raleigh cigarette coupons.

After the accident on Hull # 13 last week, some of the boys became superstitious and changed the sign near the boat to read Hull # 12\*....

### SURVIVOR OF 2 NAVAL BATTLES WORKS HERE



ROBERT SUTTON, a red-headed young survivor of 2 major naval battles, came to our yard this week to begin work in the Mold Loft.

Sutton, only 18 years old, has had a thrilling and interesting service in the U. S. Navy during his 8 months of active duty.

Sutton, who lives at 316 North 47th Avenue West, served as a 3rd Class Machinist's Mate, until he was given a medical discharge on January 22nd of this year.

The youngster was stationed on the Aircraft Carrier "HORNET" (which carried the planes that bombed Tokio). When the carrier was sunk in the Northwest Pacific, Sutton was forced to spend 13 hours on a life-raft until he was rescued.

Shortly thereafter he was transferred to Atlantic duty and was aboard a vessel escorting the landing troops which seized the coast of North Africa. It was off Casablanca that Sutton's ship was torpedoed by a submarine and blown up.

Once again Sutton spent 6 hours adrift in the sea until picked up by a British destroyer.

The youngster's most vivid experience was being attacked by German dive-bombers off the coast of French Morocco while the ship was making for Casablanca.

"I can't begin to tell you what a noise those bombs made when they fell", says Sutton.

Following his discharge from the Navy the youngster tried unsuccessfully to get back into another branch of service, but failed, so that's why he's here at Zenith today.

If he can't fight on a ship, Sutton is determined to help build them!!

# Shipyard Shakespeare

Feast your eyes on Nimrod Nash;  
He loved to watch the torches flash.  
His head did swim,  
His lamps grew dim,  
Now the oculist gets his cash.



Take a squint at this silly bloke,  
Around the yard a standing joke.  
He'll always lag,  
And light a fag,  
Beside a sign PLEASE DO NOT SMOKE.

DID YOU KNOW: Every enlisted man in the Navy has exactly 13 buttons on his trousers -- one for each of the original 13 states.

"Son of a gun" is an old naval expression. At one time, sailors in the British Navy were allowed to have their wives with them. The term has actually been applied to children born alongside the ships guns.

It'll be a long war if everybody passes the buck instead of the ammunition.

## SWAP RIDES



Old King Cole is a merry old soul,  
And a merry old soul is he.  
He calls for his friends  
And he calls for his pals,  
And swaps rides with his fiddlers three.

## EVERYTHING FOR YOUR CAR

Tires - Batteries - Radios - Seatcovers  
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(Terms if desired)

MacDonald Motor Company

120 Second Avenue West - Melrose 4731  
-Ask for Howard Elliott-

The deepest sympathy of all our employees is extended to the family of Howard Leon Johnson, one of our fellow-workers, who passed away last week as the result of an unfortunate accident.

His passing is a terrible shock to all of us, and brings home to us the supreme sacrifice which is being made every day during these trying times, not only by the soldiers in the Armed Forces, but also by the soldiers on the Home Front.

## MARGARET SANDVOLD THANKS WORKERS FOR THEIR VOTES

Margaret Sandvold, Zenith's candidate in the Duluth ShipLaunching Queen Contest, was chosen as one of the queen's attendants in the contest last week.

She will receive a \$100 War Bond from a downtown merchant for placing 4th in the event.

Miss Sandvold wishes to thank all of the men in the yard for their fine and enthusiastic support. In addition, she wishes to express her appreciation to the Modern Plumbing Company, one of our sub-contractors, for its efforts on her behalf.

## POEM-OF-THE-WEEK

It's easy enough to be pleasant

With never a trace of a frown;

But the man worth-while

Is the man who can smile

When he is welding upside down!

## NEW CUTTERS ARE NAMED

The names of the new IRIS class Coast Guard Cutters which Zenith Dredge Company will construct are, as follows:

Hull # 16	-	SALVIA
Hull # 17	-	SAGEBRUSH
Hull # 18	-	BRAMBLE
Hull # 19	-	BITTER SWEET
Hull # 20	-	MALLOW
Hull # 21	-	MARIPOSA
Hull # 22	-	FIRE BUSH
Hull # 23	-	IRIS
Hull # 24	-	THISTLE
Hull # 25	-	WOODRUSH



Society Brand  
Clothes

50<sup>00</sup>

THE COLUMBIA  
Clothing Co.

303 W. SUPERIOR ST.



## BY THE WAYS

Those 3 burners, Cartie, Koplen and Paradise, were really "burning up" last Saturday when some of our women welders ditched them for some Navy boys....

Lloyd Greenly and Frank Bartell are still trying to outmaneuver each other to win the affections of our women workers....

The softball season opens May 17th when Zenith's team plays its opener in the Municipal Stadium. Right now the boys are out at Irving Field every night at 6:30 practicing.

Rube Anderson, manager, has pretty fair prospects of a team this year. Left over from last year's aggregation (which wound up the season in 2nd place) are: Don Venne, Ted Goethel, Jim Bowden, Bruce Reed and Milton Johnson.

Believe it or not, but the Mighty Mike Milich has deserted the boys here and has signed up to play with the Coolerator team.

Some of the men noticed a muskrat swimming in the slip the other day - but Bernard Brusin claims it was a maintenance man!

Bill Kirk reported last Tuesday for his first Army physical examination.

The modest hero who rescued Art Bowen last week from sliding into the slip along with Hull #10 when it was launched, was none other than Gene Best....

The boys in the warehouse are taking up a collection to buy some Tums to cure the gas on Frank Gappa's stomach. Anyone else want to donate to this worthy cause?

The originality of some of our men really amazes us. We had no idea how many different uses could be found for that picture of Margaret Sandvold, our Queen candidate. Some of the boys showed real artistry in pasting Margaret's head onto the figures of women on some of the calendars around the yard....

John Kolander, who is always the perfect gentleman, was at a loss this week regarding the proper way to inform one of the women welders (Mrs. Holmen) that her trousers had caught fire from a piece of slag. You'll have to ask John yourself how he solved the problem....

Don't forget the special box in the Clock-House where you can place your contributions and news items for the BULLETIN.

Ed Porter is now at Nopeming, fellows, and would appreciate it if you'd write him a few lines once in a while. Everyone here hopes Ed has a speedy recovery and wishes him the best of luck.

Rumor has it that the reason the ace burner Delbert Kirk suffered a flash last week was entirely due to his working too close to the women welders....

First Class Storekeeper Dick Rowe of the Coast Guard is seriously ill with pneumonia.

Anyone receiving a notification from his draft board of a change in his classification is urged to report it IMMEDIATELY to Bill Haburt's office; so that the Manning Table Records of this office can be kept up to date.

Lloyd Johnson is the proud father of a baby girl this week.

Zenith's next tanker, YW-88 will be set free at launching ceremonies next Saturday, May 15th.

WHO'S WHO IN

THE U. S.

COAST GUARD



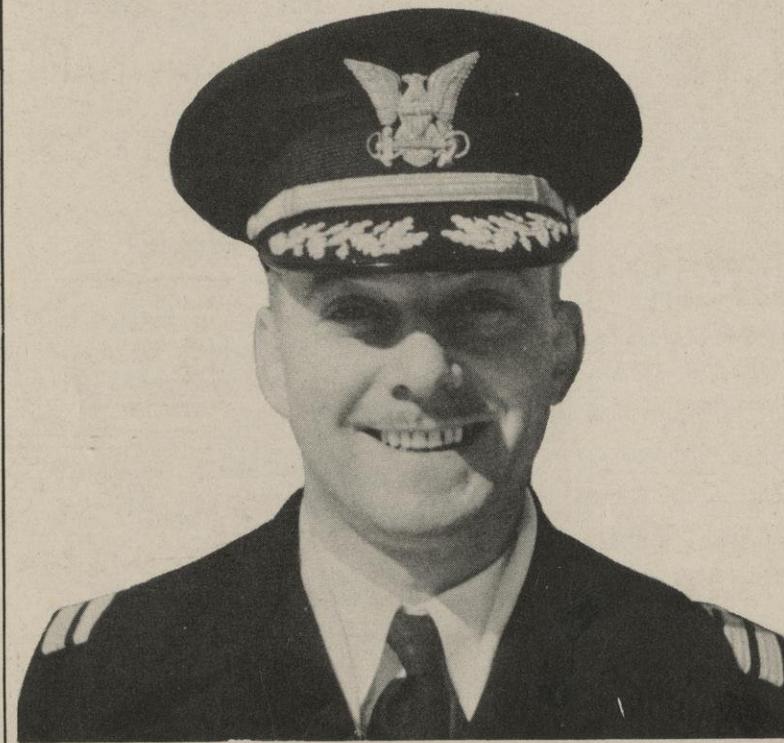
### COMM'DR. G.A.TYLER

COMMANDER TYLER, a native of Tennessee, came to Duluth in September, 1942. He is the Chief Inspector for the Coast Guard at Zenith Dredge and Marine Iron.

The Commander is a graduate of the Coast Guard Academy, New London, Conn. (1926)

Has served on different posts around the country. Studied as a post-graduate at the Naval Academy at Annapolis in 1932 & 1933; and the University of California in 1933 and 1934.

(Picture taken by Lt. Comm'dr. G.W.Bergman, U.S.N.R.)



# HOOZ-HOO...



## DAN WRIGHT

DIRECTOR OF PERSONNEL  
CAME TO ZENITH IN MAY 1942.  
HIS REAL NAME IS DOANE — IN  
CASE YOU DIDN'T KNOW . . .  
BELONGS TO MORE ORGAN-  
IZATIONS AND COMMITTEES  
THAN ANYONE IN THE YARD.



FORMER MEMBER OF  
CHICAGO POLICE FORCE  
AND SECRET AGENT  
FOR UNCLE SAM....  
WAS CAPT. OF INFAN-  
TRY IN LAST WAR . . . .

