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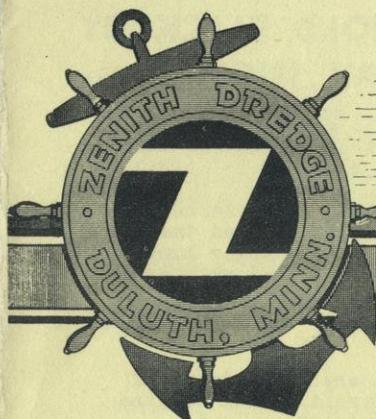
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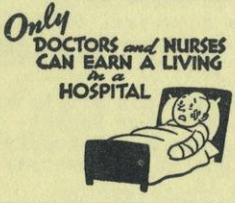
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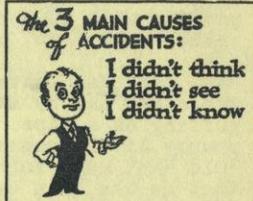
DECEMBER 11, 1942

ACCIDENT RECORD OF YARD IS ANNOUNCED



Announcement was made this week of the Lost Time ACCIDENT RECORD of the employees of Zenith Dredge Company.

These figures are broken down into departments, and cover the period from May 1st to December 1st, 1942 - and were compiled by George Taufman, Safety Supervisor.



	Total Lost Time Accidents May 1 to Oct. 31	Total Lost Time Accidents November 1942	Total Lost Time Accidents May 1 - Nov. 30
SHIPWAY # 1	10	3	13
1	8	1	9
2	6	1	7
Night Shift	0	0	0
Fabric. Shed	5	1	6
Layout & Mold	1	0	1
Office	0	0	0
Yard Labor	7	0	7
Maintainence	0	0	0
Machine Shop	0	0	0
Outfitters	8	0	8

It will be noted from the figures above that most of the yard departments came through with a clean slate in November.

With the coming winter season bringing additional hazards, it will be necessary for everyone to be doubly careful in performing their duties.



This company has contracted to deliver a number of ships to the Government in the coming year.

Help your company fulfill its contract ahead of time by being careful yourself and of your fellow employee.

Poor Bill looked up, instead of down, A ladder while descendin'; We're awful sorry, but we can't Think up a happy endin'....

Here's to Pete, our ex-ace burner, Who got his wings the easy way; He used his torch to clean his pants; Where Pete is now, no one can say....

IT COULD
BE
VERSE...

O'Goony snatched a piece of waste Out from between the meshing gears; They say he'll learn some one-hand trade In something like a couple years....

We're trying hard to find a job For Old Blind John, who once could see; He used to laugh at goggled guys, And say, "They won't put those on me."

DOWN OUR ALLEY...

WITH THE OFFICE CATS

Since the Coast Guards left the yard for the duration of the cold weather, nobody has bothered to wash the windows of the Purchasing Office. Could the reason be that there just isn't anything worthwhile to look out at anymore? Could be.....

What next? Imagine a certain girl's embarrassment upon walking into the washroom in the morning and finding her "snuggies" neatly fastened to the door with Scotch tape. Warren Peterson's look of innocence wasn't very convincing.....

Lucille Hallquist believes in doing her part to keep up the boys' morale....corresponding with 10 service men must keep you rather busy, huh, Lucille.....

Jack Paro gave the girls quite a shock the other day by strutting around the yard puffing on a pipe. (Jack, you know, is the chubby little messenger boy at the gatehouse) "Old Man" Paro informed his feminine admirers that he has been smoking a pipe for almost 3 years. Imagine.....

Get a load of the "slap-happy" expression on Mary Devich's face.....it's no wonder, though, because today is the day her boy friend is coming home on a furlough. Some girls have all the luck.....

ZENITH TO HOLD BLACKOUT NEXT MONDAY NIGHT.....

Zenith Dredge will co-operate fully in the regional blackout scheduled for next Monday night at 10 P.M.

The entire yard will be in darkness for the 15-minute interval -- and the men on the Night Shift will eat their lunch ahead of schedule so that they will be able to congregate in the lunchroom which has been equipped with a light trap and black-out curtains.

Air-raid wardens are: Bill Swanfeld, senior warden; and Harold Myrhe, Douglas Murray and Harold Hendrickson.

Auxiliary police during the blackout will be: Ervin Hanson, Harold Clementson, Lloyd Abrahamson, and Thorburn Lund. The Engineering Chief will be Ed Repka.

ZENITH WINS FIRST GAME

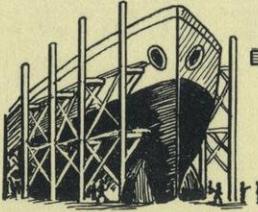
Zenith's basketball team got off to a roaring start in the City Senior Basketball League by defeating the A & E Supply quintet last Tuesday night at the Central Gym by a score of 38 to 19.

Height and more height was the keynote of victory for the Dredgers as Mike Milich, Jay Lessard, and Louis Zollar repeatedly turned rebounds into 2-pointers. This trio each scored 10 points. Max Skarmen, bean-pole guard, counted six points.

Other members of the Zenith five are: Rube Anderson, Jack Becotte, Lee Giernett, Bill Schumway and Bob Peterson.



OUR EMINENT CARTOONIST--JOE BLANCHARD
-CONTRIBUTED BY NORMAN FUGELSO-



-BY THE WAYS...

- BY ARNOLD FOCHS -

Jack Bergal is keeping a stiff upper lip these days. When #7 was launched a wedge flew up and struck Jack directly below his nose.....

Whoever stole Pete Smith's jacket the other day was certainly considerate. The thief left behind Pete's goggles; and also an old jacket for Pete to wear to take the place of the one he stole.....

An all-time low was chalked up by the CORKERS last week when their team bowled a 491-game - which averages up to only 98 pins per man..... Claud Stickney did his share by rolling a meager 70 game... but the BIGGEST FLOP of all was Ed Johnson who fell flat on his face while bowling!

Incidentally, the Zenith keglers would like to express their appreciation to the Company for awarding \$5 in prizes to the two high bowlers each week.

Art Bowen would like to keep this a secret: Art bet his wife \$25 that he would bowl a higher average than she would this year.

To date his wife is away ahead of Art - and bowls around 175, while Art is piddling along with about 140.....



Paul Lee, the United Steelworkers District Representative, is now a full-fledged authority on State Game Laws....

On the opening day of the deer season he spent \$27.80 to learn that "thou shalt not have cartridges in your rifle when you are carrying the same in your car."

Paul is willing to explain this law in more detail (embellished with profanity) to anybody who will listen to him.....

The boys in the Outfitting shop are still kidding James Petrick about the fact that he had to buy a new hat when his baby boy was born. Jim is so proud that it has gone to his head, no fooling..

TWO MEN WITH BUT A SINGLE THOUGHT: The other day James Larson ran into Martin Carr, an old school chum, here in the yard; and while exchanging news - he found out that he and Martin were both MARRIED ON THE SAME DAY OF THE SAME YEAR - AND BOTH HAVE TWO CHILDREN.....

A popular pastime in the yard, it seems, is for the men to bet on the serial numbers of their paychecks....the best poker hand winning the money.

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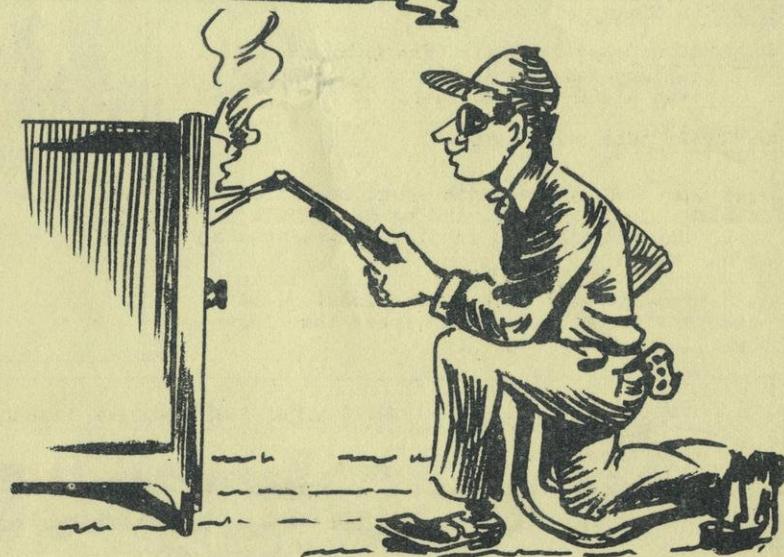
**"AT LEAST I'LL HAVE A PROFESSION
WHEN THIS WAR IS OVER"**

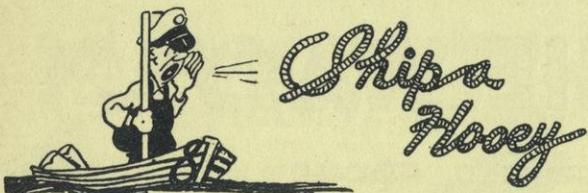
The best safe-crackers in the business have very little on our own BILL KIRK who was called upon last week to cut open a safe at the Navy Office in the Administration Building.

The safe in question was a second-hand one, which had just been purchased by Commander Bergman -- but after the safe was delivered, no one could be found who knew the combination....

So Bill Kirk was assigned the job of burning through the door with an acetylene torch....accomplishing the feat in about an hour.

Bill maintains that he is an old hand at this sort of work-- having forced open five or six other safes in his lifetime...





- By ARNO GOETHEL -

Every day at 12'oclock noon, as we come into the lunch-room, this is what comes from Table #2 on our left --

ORRIN "Meatball" RENEAU: "Gentlemen, inasmuch as bread contains quite a bit of alcohol let's drink a little toast."

CHARLIE JOHNSON: "Will someone please pass the finger bowl?"

LYNN MCPHEE: "Yeah! Will someone please pass the finger bowl?"

GEO. VANDENBERG (Loudly): "Speaking of bowling (which nobody was) who has the best bowling team, and why have we?"

"MARTY" MARTINEZ (Louder): "The Erectors have."

VANDENBERG (still louder): "They have not. The ch'ppers have!"

PHIL SCHAEFER (louder yet): "Yeah! The Chippers have!"

CHARLIE JOHNSON: "Will someone please pass the finger bowl?"

MC PHEE: "Yeah, pass the finger bowl."

(Just about this time, the tenants of Tables #1 and #3 start eating with one hand, while with their other hand they hold down their hats, lest the draft from Table #2 blow them off.)

"MEATBALL" RENEAU (rising) "Gentlemen, in my newly acquired position of Grievance Man, I feel it my duty to ---"

CHARLIE JOHNSON: "Sit down!"

MC PHEE: "Yeah, sit down!!"

VANDENBERG (very loudly): "The Chippers will beat any team in captivity if we are given a 200-pin handicap."

MARTINEZ: "The man is mad."

Just then - a most welcome sound is heard. It's the 12:30 whistle, and as we go back to work, these words keep echoing and re-echoing in our ears:

"The Chippers have....the Erectors have... pass the finger bowl...yeah, pass the finger bowl....." etc. etc.

-BY THE WAYS...

Louis Nichols, who has a wife and three children (the oldest 15 years old) has just been ordered to take his physical exam for the Army. Louis probably wishes that he looked 38 years old like Bernard Brusin.....

The cork came out of Fred Gould's grip the other day - and he lost all his baggage.

It's whole hog or nothing for Paul Cartie: all summer Paul has been promising Art Kennedy and Erick Hulten each half a hog when he butchered this Fall. Now Paul is holding out on the boys, because he maintains that the price of pork has gone up too much...

What made Don Bruner look so pale when Len Tyacke took out his uppers and offered them to Snuffy Olson? If you must insist on giving your teeth away, Len, we suggest that you donate them to "Popeye" Dahlen who is minus his uppers at the present time.....

There's considerable speculation in the Fabrication Shop as to why Jack Becotte has asked to go on the night shift.....

The prohibition meeting that Charlie Johnson, the Local Union president, recently attended must have made a tremendous impression on him.

The lecturer was demonstrating the harmful effects of alcohol by dunking worms in a glass of whisky, thereby killing them. Says Charlie: "If you're bothered with worms, drink plenty of whisky - and none of those dinky little shots either - because this guy was using a glass full and it sure killed those worms."

Pat Johnson went overboard and promised to buy Stan Myhren a lunch on Stan's birthday.



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