

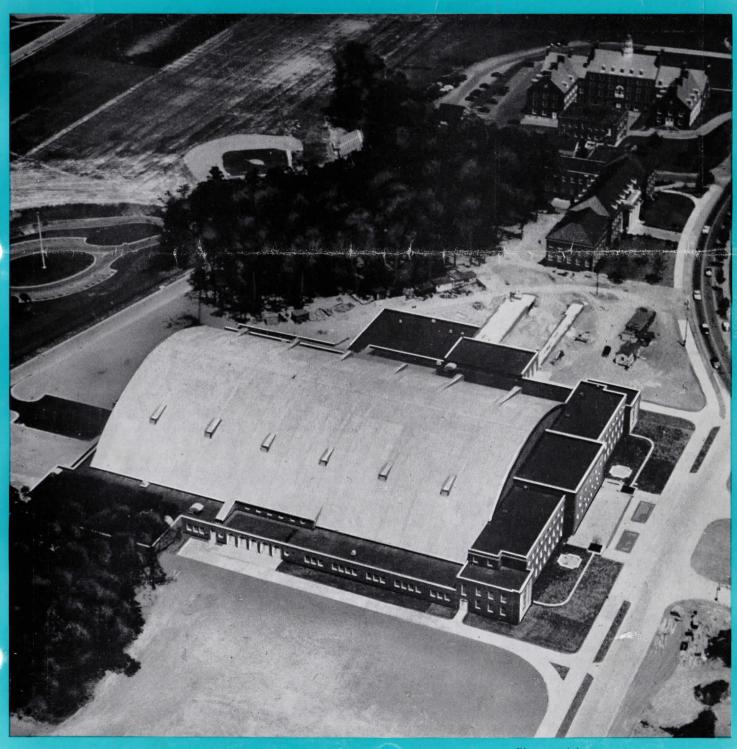
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ASPIRATIONS

To be strong enough to gain mastery over ourselves.

To be humble enough to be willing to learn from others,

To be brave enough to choose the right roads,

To be patient enough to keep on in spite of obstacles,

To be wise enough to know our own shortcomings,

To be honest enough to admit the excellencies of others,

To be proud enough to hold the respect of strong men,

To be gentle enough to hold the love of little children,

To be careful enough to protect the good of others,

To be courageous enough to share our fortunes with others.

This should be our daily aspiration.

-George G. Davis



The ACP News congratulates the following employees to whom Service Pin Awards have been made since our April 1955 issue:

20-YEAR PIN: John Shellenberger. 15-YEAR PIN: Robert Breininger. 5-YEAR PIN: Leo Damskey.

COVER PICTURE

Field House, University of Maryland. One of the first installations of architectural Alodine® was processed and fabricated by Overly Manufacturing Company of Greensburg, Pennsylvania. Over 100,000 sq. ft. of Alodized aluminum was used in the roofing of the Field House shown at right.

Interesting Facts:

Goods of this company are sold under its trademarks in over forty countries. As a matter of fact even new products have extensive distribution. For instance "WEEDA-ZOL," one of ACP's newest developments is having its trademark registered in over twenty countries including Iran, Belgian Congo, and French Morocco.



Another fact of possible interest is that since the founding of this company, close to 800 patents have been granted to inventors working for this company.

Another fanciful fact is that in Great Britain, Alodine isn't Alodine. It is Alocrom.

Vital Statistics

NAME	DATE OF BIRTH
Judy Lin Ruth	April 1, 1955
Karen Michele Schneider	April 13, 1955
Douglas Lee Damskey	April 26, 1955
Jeffrey Palin Spruance	May 23, 1955
Teresa Carroll	June 27, 1955
William Claren Chedister	July 17, 1955
Lorraine Frances Entrikin	
Philip Dana Hinz	July 3, 1955

ACP'S SENIOR SCIENTIST - JOSEPH M. F. LEAPER

"A gentleman and a scholar" is no cliché when it is applied to ACP's Senior Scientist-it is an excellent description of Joseph Michael Farraday Leaper.

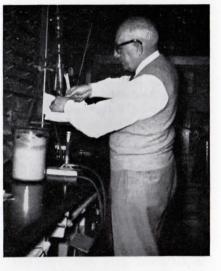
Educated at Dublin University (now National University) and Royal University in Ireland and at Oxford University in England, Mr. Leaper's wide background of experience coupled with his good scientific imagination is largely responsible for his tremendous scope of chemical knowledge and the benefits ACP has derived from it.

Mr. Leaper was always interested in chemistry, and he pursued his study of it constantly. Although he was a Civil Engineer trained in forestry and expected to go to India, by 1913 he was a chemist for the Hard Chemical Works in Mexico City. It was in Mexico City. too, that he married Emily Collins. (They now have five children-Gerard, Joseph Jr., Violet, Cecelia, and Patricia - and eleven grandchildren.)

Before coming to the American Chemical Paint Company in February, 1942, Mr. Leaper was a consulting chemist, and was associated with the Heyden Chemical Company, with National Aniline and Chemical Corporation, and with the Laurel Soap Company. In connection with this work he holds



J. M. F. Leaper, Powell Anderson and R. H. Beatty at the Research Farm green-



a number of U.S. and foreign patents in such widely diversified fields as dyestuffs, silk treatment, pickling inhibitors, rubber accelerators, and manufacturing organic chemicals.

At ACP, Mr. Leaper made the first successful marketable form of 2.4-D and helped to set up the plant in which ACP manufactured its own 2,4-D for the first three vears it was sold commercially. He devised a patented method for making 2,4-D, and collaborated in developing today's accepted method for analysis of 2,4-D. He also converted the making of naphthaleneacetic acid (component of Rootone and several other ACP "tone" products) from the laboratory to pilot plant scale, increasing production many times.

During his thirteen years at ACP, Mr. Leaper has seen production of the Agricultural Chemicals Division (formerly called the Horticulture Department) grow from little jars to tank cars. His laboratory has sent hundreds of compounds, many of them never before made by man, to universities and government experiment stations all over the country. It has become the source for certain compounds that can be obtained nowhere else. Frequently he has been called upon to find a way to make compounds that had been only theoretical until then. For instance, under his direction the entire series of mono-, and di-, and trichloro-

phenoxy acetic acids was synthesized for the first time, and 3,4-D and 2,5-D noted for their potential activity as plant growth regulators. (If you're like us and no chemist, 2,4-D is technically 2,4-dichlorophenoxy acetic acid, and 2,4,5-T is 2,4,5-trichlorophenoxy acetic acid. The rest of that story is a long one!) Mr. Leaper was the first person to separate 2,4-dichlorophenoxy propionic acid, too.

He has presented papers on his work before such learned societies as the Third International Congress of Phytopharmacy in Paris, the Twelfth International Congress of Pure and Applied Chemistry, and this year was honored by being asked to prepare one for the Third Conference on Plant Growth Substances in England.

The papers have such imposing titles as "Preferential Resistance to Chemical Changes Due to Soil Micro-organisms of the Substituted Amides of 2,4-Dichlorophenoxy Acetic Acid."

Those who know Joseph Leaper know there is not much he cannot do. He enjoys playing the piano, is an accomplished photographer, writes witty limericks, and is thoroughly acquainted with Shakespeare's plays, the Bible, and Gilbert & Sullivan's operas (have you heard him rattle off some of the patter songs?).

Those who work with him also know him as a persistent worker, a

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ACP DAY BY DAY

AMBLER PLANT

Sentiment: A kindly person whose face was familiar to everyone at ACP, recently left ACP to go into retirement. A person with an animate sense of humor, well liked and thought of, and could always be depended on to perform his duties to the complete satisfaction of his superiors. His absence will be felt by everyone who knew him. So to you Herb Amey, the best of everything for many years to come.

Suspense: When the phone rings in John Rossi's Lab.

Consternation: Duffy trying to beat Ducsik at a game of Chess.

Dejection: When the ACP Lab. tells Norman Howard and Bill Coleman to add 30-gallons of water to their Granodine mix.

NEW FACES AT ACP

Mary Ann Belzer—Credit Dept.
Jean Travato—Billing Dept.
Kathleen Wilson—Billing Dept.
Anna Marie Baldwin—Agr. Dept.
Jane Bowers—Agricultural Dept.
Thelma Stroup—Acct. Dept.
David Dollman—M. W. Chemist
Paul Kern—Agricultural Sales
Edith Stewart—Plant Mgr's. Office



Mr. & Mrs. James Leach.

Elizabeth Swartley—Int. Dept. Josephine Serraro — Research & Development Dept.

Harvey Raman—Agr. Chemist.
Lionel Dorsay—Int. Dept.
Wilbur Hall—M. W. Chemist
Dean Andrews—Can. M. W. Sales
Dolores Marrano — Agricultural
Research Dept.

ACD RESEARCH

ACD lost a hard-working and thoroughly pleasant stenographer when **Diane Tennett** decided that she would rather raise a family than help raise weeds. After a supper party at **Barbara Emerson's** home on June 25, members of the department gave the **Tennetts** a high chair and baby dish, as well as individual gifts. Before Diane left on July 8, ACP office girls gave her a handsome grey and gold convertible baby car-bed.

Diane's office job is now in the capable hands of **Dolores Marrano** who is rapidly becoming familiar with such threatening names as 3-amino-1,2,4-triazole, 2,3,6-triiodobenzoic acid, and the rest.

ACD's Senior Scientist, J. M. F. Leaper, flew to England on July 13 to take part in the 3rd International Conference on Plant Growth Substances being held at Wye College, University of London, in Kent. Mr. Leaper was invited to present a paper to this conference, and he and J. R. Bishop prepared one on "The Resolution of Phytohormone Acids by Means of Their Optically Active Phenyl Isopropylamides." After the conference, Mr. Leaper plans to vacation in Paris and at his sister's home on the Riviera before returning to this country.

Charley Jack, ACD Research Farm manager, "got away from it all" by taking a vacation trip to his parents' home in Pelham, New Hampshire, and to his wife Carolyn's parents' farther north in Laconia. Charley missed our early July heat wave; he said it was hot in New Hampshire, too, but "not like here!"

Tony, Babs and Wayne Tafuro also left the United States on July



Sunny Spruance and son Jeffrey.

13 for a visit to England, where Babs' mother lives. Tony will return in August, after a trip to Cie Francaise de Produits Industriels, ACP's licensee at Asnieres, France. DFPI's president, Adrien Hess, and M. Hess's son Claud are well-known to many ACP workers.

GENERAL ACCOUNTING DEPARTMENT

A surprise wedding shower was held at Springhouse Hotel on May 24th in honor of **Jackie Zepp.** Twenty girls attended and many gifts were presented.

The big day for Jackie took place on June 18th at the Trinity Lutheran Church in Lansdale. The lucky bridegroom is Paul (Jimmy) Leach. Jackie was the picture of a "blushing bride" gowned in white tulle and Valencian lace ending in a short train. Her fingertip length veil was crowned with seed pearls and iridescent sequins. After a lovely reception held at the Hatfield Legion, the bride and groom left on a two week trip to Colorado. Mrs. Leach has been transferred from the Accounting Department to a new position in the IBM Department.

A chili supper was held at the apartment of Anne Lucas. Florence O'Connor, Gertrude Scheetz, Marion Jones, Dorothy Wiswell,

Nellie Niblock, and Ann Hagendorf were in attendance. The highlight of the evening was the "white elephant swap." Everyone brought something they did not want to be swapped for something someone else did not want. Anne took a beating though-after all the swapping was finished with items that were brought by the guests, they got looking around the apartment and practically stripped it of everything that wasn't nailed down. But Anne had the last laugh after all-Anne has an old syrup jug that Ann Hagendorf wanted and the only thing that Ann H. had left to swap was a beautiful new handbag. That was that, Anne L. got the new bag!

Sally O'Connor entertained Nellie Niblock, Gertrude Scheetz, Anne Lucas, Marion Jones, Ann Hagendorf, Dorothy Wiswell, and Mildred Clemson on July 13th at Point Pleasant along the Delaware River.

We were supposed to have Barbecued Turkey, but due to a mix-up in the store, the hostess arrived at 7 P.M. minus the turkey and completely worn out. (Side Note—we couldn't even get into the house to change our clothes—some hostess.) So we had baked

ham and thoroughly enjoyed the evening, even if we did have to pick out the night moths from our food. When are we going again, Sally?

There is a certain group of females from the Accounting Department and various other departments who have just discovered Smorgasbord. For the past month, they have been riding all over the Country, trying out the different places. Watch your figures, girls.

It's a boy for Floss Windhurst, formerly of the Accounting Department. The champ weighed in at 6 lbs., 4 ozs. Congratulations, Floss,

Jerry McHenry entered Chestnut Hill Hospital on May 23rd where she underwent an operation.

METAL WORKING SALES

Nellie Saul vacationed with friends in Long Island. According to Nel, New York isn't hot at all, that is, as long as you're swimming and relaxing at Jones Beach.

In case you're wondering who that slightly peeled Indian is around ACP, take it from a good source, it's just our gal Vonnie Berky back from a terrific vacation at Seaside Heights.

Don Ellis, who has for a number of years been assisting Graham Smith in production, has been transferred to the Technical Serv-



Joanne and Phillip Heller prepare for the hurricane at Ocean City.

ice Group. Don's chemical engineering background and experience should add much to the effectiveness of this group.

Tom Bueter and Ken Kramer won cash awards in The Stevenson-Davis National Sales Clinic Contest.

ACP Metalworking Sales Managers met in Ambler on July 17 and 18, to discuss new developments in the Metalworking sales field. Those present were: **Don Miles**, Sales Manager for Detroit and Canadian Offices, **George Williamson**, West Coast Manager, and **Jim Abrams** and **Al Sinclair**, managers from Pittsburgh and the Eastern territories.

The very successful conference was presided over by F. P. Spruance, Sr. and ably assisted by Sunny Spruance, Asst. Sales Manager.

Wm. B. Boyer has returned from the Delaware County Hospital. Bill is making gratifying progress in his recovery from a thrombosis. His nerves, however, are not yet calmed sufficiently for him to enjoy visitors.



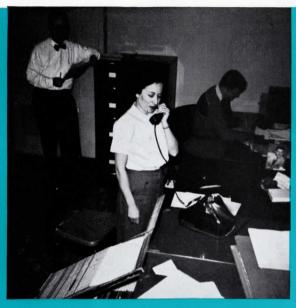
Jacky Zepp's shower held at Springhouse Hotel. Left to right. Doris McDonald, Thelma Stroup, Gertrude Scheetz, Helen Taltavull, Betty Kriebel, Dolores King, Kay Gramm, Connie Godorecci, Jacky Zepp, Dorothy Wiswell, Franny Valeo, Jane Urban, Evelyn Johnson, Ann Nolan, Caroline Dufay, Kay Kane, Marcella Camburn, Mary Casey.



Don Small, ACD Formulation Lab. and Ike Davis, ACD Pilot Plant also Lab. Technician.



Metalworking Sales: Anne Lucas, Secretary to Mr. F. P. Spruance and Jean Palermo, Secretary to Mr. Sinclair.



Inventory Department: Jack Duffy, Doris McDonald, Dick Shellington.

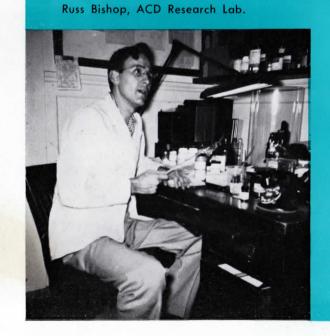


Nardine Minnehan, our most efficient switchboard operator.



Betty Small, Secretary to Mr. Gannon.

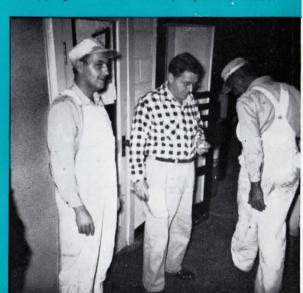




CANDID SHOTS AT RANDOM



Grace Taverna, Secretary to Jack Taylor and Dorothy DiLauro, Secretary to Mr. Turner.



ACP DAY BY DAY

ACD SALES

Jack Taylor is flying to the west coast on July 31 to attend the National Shade Tree Conference in Santa Barbara, California. Having just purchased a new Plymouth, you would think Jack would drive, taking his family and their Boxer dog with him.

Wonder what **Mr. Turner** is doing with his "pin money" since he gave up smoking!

Ann Nolan and family spent a week's vacation motoring through the New England States. And it was cool.

The corner in the Ag. Department has been brightened with the presence of Anna Marie Baldwin and Jane Bowers.

Miss O'Conner was hostess to Grace Taverna, Cynthia Gehret, Olga Cahill, Skippy Jackson, Grace Decembrino and Dot Di-Lauro at her summer home in Point Pleasant. After a delicious outdoor supper, there was an exciting game of badminton between four girls and the moths.

Mr. Torchiana spent the last week of July with his family in Ocean City.

Mr. Norman Gentieu is recuperating from an operation. We wish him a speedy recovery.

Congratulations to **Olga** and **Joseph Cahill** on their 20th Anniversary celebrated on July 26th.

NILES PLANT

Chuck Wirshing returned from his vacation (he went back home to Michigan, and also visited Jean's old homestead in Indiana), sporting a "flattop" hairdo and driving a bright red Plymouth Convertible! He really cuts quite a dashing figure! However, duty called and he had to take off for the Vancouver area. Since he did not have the foggiest notion of where he was supposed to go, not being able to find the place on any map, we offered to chip in and get him a do-it-yourself Kyak kit, but when he found out that he would be hitting civilization after all, he settled for a hand hewn copy of "How to Survive in the Arctic."

Carmen Duran went on vacation last week, taking off for Southern California. She sends back postals with glowing accounts of the sights and sounds of Los Angeles, Hollywood, etc., which she had never seen before. To date, she had not seen a movie star, but still has hopes.

Harold Wendorf leaves for Ohio and home via United Airlines the end of August. This is Harold's first trip back in three years. He is a converted Californian, but naturally looks forward to seeing the old home and folks once more.

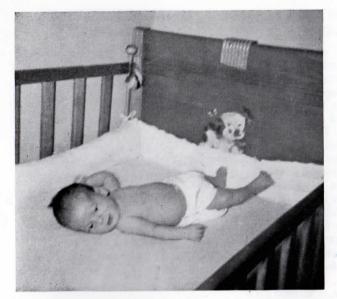
Lowell Protz, Harold's right hand man in the plant, is seriously considering going to Las Vegas. Can't blame him! That is becoming the most popular vacation spot around these parts, and you can have loads of fun at the nickel and dime "one-armed-bandits."

Cap Cunha is awaiting the opening of the deer season in Northern California before taking off. This year he has a score to settle—his wife Jean is a dead shot and has for the past two years beat him out when it comes to bringing home the "buck." This year, so help him, he is going to bring down the most!

JoAnn Desmond is another of our group who is a converted Californian and who is going home to Logan, Utah to renew old acquaintances. JoAnn has not been home for three years and she and her husband are getting their car all ready for the long drive. Logan, here they come!

Marie Ackerman, the Girl Friday of the Niles' establishment, plans to motor up the Redwood Highway and points North, investigating anything and everything which takes her fancy. Says she "no schedules for me once September rolls around." She is off to the tall redwoods, clear lakes, horseback trails, etc., all recommended for avoiding that "Secretary Spread" and that "Office Pallor."

Eddie Martin just returned from his two weeks . . . went to Mexico to see the country and take in a real honest-to-goodness bullfight. Never did make it though, some germs in Mexico brought him low, and the only fighting he was present at (shades of a preposition)



Alfred Gilbert Windhorst, son of Floss Windhorst, formerly of the Accounting Department.



Three feathers in Pop Gibson's cap, Michael, Gregory, Jr. and Christopher.

was the one waged by the "bugs" in his system. Poor Eddie . . . better luck next time.

INTERNATIONAL DIVISION

The International Department is more than pleased with their new offices in the cottage. Spacious, attractive and comfortable working conditions are but a few advantages they are enjoying.

Jean Charlton rejoined us a few months ago as secretary to W. E. Weston. Glad to see you again, Jean.

Nellie Lower didn't let Aunt Nell get ahead of her—note the new Bel-Air sports coupe.

Innes Simpson has moved into his new home in Buckingham. If the old adage is true that "An apple a day keeps the doctor away," Innes will have few worries—he's built his house in an apple orchard!

Warren Weston has also moved into his new home in the suburbs of Lansdale.

PACKAGING PARADE

Joe Gantz vacationed in Shawnee State Park, in Bedford County. You should hear the story about the big one that got away.

Fannie Cram and husband spent a delightful week in Camp Wallenpaupack Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brown (Grace) celebrated their 20th wedding anniversary on July 6th.

Midge and Nancy Brown spent a weekend in Atlantic City.

Fannie Cram observed her birthday on June 27th.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Krogh and daughter Shirley, will spend two weeks in Florida.

FATHER

A father is a thing that is forced to endure childbirth without an anesthetic.

A father is a thing that growls when it feels good and laughs loud when he's scared.

A father never feels worthy of the worship in a child's eyes. He's never quite the hero his daughter thinks, never quite the man his son believes him to be, and this worries him, sometimes. So he works too hard to try and smooth the rough places for those of his own who will follow him.

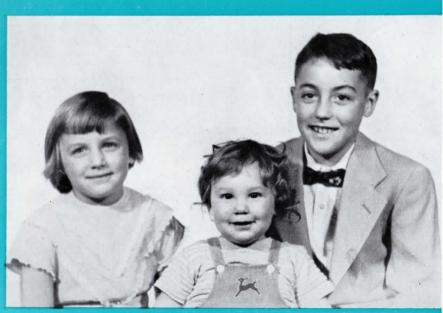
A father is a thing that gets very angry when the first school grades aren't as good as he thinks they should be. He scolds his son, although he knows it's the teacher's fault.

Fathers are what give daughters away to other men who aren't nearly good enough, so they can have grandchildren who are smarter than anybody's.

Fathers make bets with insurance companies about who will live the longest. One day they lose and the bet's paid off to the part of them they leave behind.

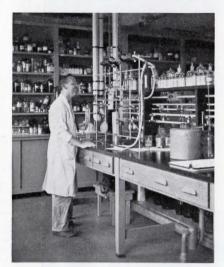
I don't know where father goes when he dies. But I've an idea after a good rest, wherever it is, he won't just sit on a cloud and wait for the girl he's loved and the children she bore. He'll be busy there, too, repairing the stairs, oiling the gate, improving the streets, smoothing the way.

-Paul Harvey (from Quote magazine)



Lucinda, John and Robert, children of Bill Gannon.

PLANT EMPLOYEES AT WORK



Don Small—Horticultural Laboratory 10-C



Bud Carter-Operating New Tank-

NEW RESORT FOR LOCAL RESIDENTS

James Michener and Herman Silverman, president of Sylvan Pools, Inc., have formed a partnership to build a unique private resort near New Hope, Bucks County called Fountainhead. This resort, first of its kind in the East, will rent on a daily basis to executive and employee groups for meetings, conferences and outings. Among the unique features of Fountainhead are an outdoor amphitheatre, six-acre tract of woodland just outside New Hope, the famous artists' colony on the Delaware, complete swimming and recreation facilities, a clubhouse and shade areas for relaxation purposes.

James Michener, author of

"Tales of the South Pacific" and "The Bridges at Toko-Ri" was born in New York City in 1907. but spent most of his youth in Doylestown. Michener is a graduate of Swarthmore College, which he attended on a scholarship. He went to Europe where he studied Siamese paintings and did research in the British Museum. Before enlisting in the Navy in World War II, he taught school and was an editor for a textbook publisher in Philadelphia. His Pulitzer prize winning "Tales of the South Pacific" grew out of his experiences in the Solomon Islands.

"It's a slow business making a man out of a monkey, but it's easy to reverse it."

"Dishwater helps to keep a wedding ring bright."

METAMORPHOSIS OF A CHEMIST

I have pondered on rates of reaction On valence and ions and such, I have wondered at many freak theories That never amounted to much. In my vouth I once worked out a process:

The "Development" went on a rant. They said, "Yes, you think it is perfect— But how will it work on the plant?" I was young, and OH! very ambitious, I was confident, gay, and insane. I loudly pooh-poohed at their doubting, My reasons were perfect and plain. They listened with fine moderation But with little respect for my cant. They answered, "Your reasons are splen-

But how will it work in the plant?" Since then I have suffered and studied. My theories have fallen to dust: My faith is in kettles and boilers, Though even the best of them rust. I have struggled with grinders and wrenches

'Til I looked like a dirt-loving ant, Perfected a dye in an ash can To find how it worked in the plant. And now when I gaze on a youngster Whose confidence beams in his eye, As he tells us of laws and of theories And my fellow compatriots sigh. As he shows us his glorious process We draw in our breath for the chant. And intone in a chorus together "And how will it work in the plant?"

-Anonymous

CHARLES F. LOWER

Charles Lower would have been the first one to laugh at the idea, but when he died last June, Ambler did lose another bit of brightness. At ACP you never walked out to the Maintenance Shop if Chesty was there without his throwing his arm in the air and shouting "Hi," while his blue eves twinkled. If you asked him how he was, he thumped his middle hard with his fist and demanded, "how's that"! Chesty was a wrestler and rightly proud of his splendid physique. The Maintenance Shop is a quieter place now that Chesty and Herb Amey don't rib each other about what happened back when they went to school together, and he won't be forgotten by those who knew him.

ACP's Senior Scientist

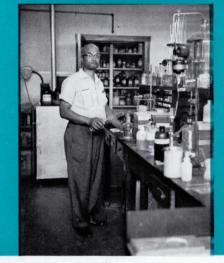
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man who keeps going until he gets what he wants when preparing chemicals, and one whose friendly assistance is readily given to those who ask it. It is in this role that he continues at ACP, making room for younger men to carry on while giving from the store of his experience and carrying on his own researches.

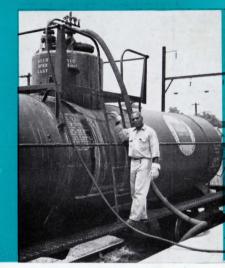


Clarence Thompson—Operating Dry

A. C. P. OLDTIMERS



Geo. S. Williams-31 years.



Booker Washington-17 years.

A.C.P. SOFTBALL TEAM IN FIRST PLACE

The league leading ACP softball team is in first place in the Bux-Mont League (National Division). Look for complete schedule and averages in the next issue of the ACP News.

Congratulations, fellows, from all of us.

Advice to a New Salesman

Listen and learn, Don't talk out of turn. (A lot of us older guys might well profit by this, too.)



Bill Coleman.



Bill Nelson-Building No. 5.







John Chimenti-Moving Drums.

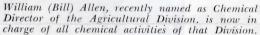


Eddie Ruth In Fire House Ready for Action.



Danny Calvano-Operating Package Machine in Powder Room-Building No. 9.







SAFETY REPORT

Safety record of departments at the end of June, 1955 listed in order of merit.	Best percentage of improvement at end of June, 1955
1. Packaging	1. A. C. P.
2. Receiving	2. Packaging
3. A. C. P.	3. Receiving
4. Maintenance	4. A. C. D.
5. Construction	5. Construction
6. A. C. D.	6. Maintenance
7. Shipping	7. Shipping

SAFETY HAS ITS REWARD

The Research Institute of America has awarded Graham Smith and Don Ellis, Jr., a medallion and citation for their work in setting-up a Progressive Program of plant safety. For a contest that revolved around two awards . . . (1) for lowest rate of accidents and (2) for greatest improvement within the year with individual prizes going to each member of the winning department.

HERB AMEY

Herb Amey left ACP April 13, 1955. When he did he left a place that won't be filled although other men will do his work. Herb came here on March 16, 1931, when the plant and machine shop were housed in Building No. 1. He was the kind of man who could handle almost any kind of odd job, do it well and do it cheerfully. If a door stuck or if you needed a whole battery of shelves, Herb was your man. When he was through it was done and it was done right. If you passed Herb in the office as he was busy oiling a hinge or fitting a cupboard, you always got a hearty greeting and you knew that he meant it. Herb was the kind of guy who would do his level best to help you out when you needed something bad the day before yesterday.

Now that he is no longer at ACP, Herb can fish, tinker around, or do an odd job when he feels like it. Herb nearly always managed to get a kick out of what he was doing and we are tickled pink to see him able to enjoy doing nothing when that suits him, too. It was mighty good to have Herb here, and we are glad we knew him.