J. O. BARBER HONORED AT DINNER

A farewell banquet was given to John O. Barber at the Glen House in Pinkham Notch on April 20. Twenty-five of John’s fellow employees were present at the affair.

Mr. Barber left the Portland Pipe Line Corporation as Chief Operator at Gorham Station on April 22 to take a new position as Chief Operator of Lakehead Pipe Line Company’s Diesel Station located at Clearbrook, Minnesota.

The dinner, which was an informal affair, was followed by several informal talks reviewing John’s record with the company and tendering him sincere words wishing him success and good luck on his new assignment. Mr. Creed acted as toastmaster. John was presented with a very nice Ronson cigarette lighter from his fel-

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WESCOTT PRESIDENT OF BOWLING CLUB

At the annual meeting of the Pipe Line Office Bowling Club on April 20, the following slate of officers was selected for a two-year term:

Lee E. Wescott, President
Elsie C. Carter, Treasurer
Leer C. Holmes, Secretary

The club decided to hold its annual banquet on Friday, May 12, at Vallee’s Inn, Dunstan Corner. All agreed that Vallee’s was the first choice, once again. An added attraction for this year’s banquet will be the distribution of favors to all of the club members.

At the meeting, the club members voted to provide a suitable emblem of recognition for the winning team which could be used from year to year. Oscar Chilcoat and Bar-

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CONTRACT WORK LINE UP ON NEW PROJECT

Over the past month, steady progress has been made in the preliminary work and details that have been necessary in getting the contractors started on the new 18” line to Montreal.

The 18” main line construction has been divided into three sections—Sections 1 & 2 being in the United States and Section 3 in Canada. The other construction in connection with the project has been divided up into several additional sections, in some cases, the work will be done by the same contractor at several different locations along the line. For instance, the Latex Construction Company, in their work on Sections 7-16, inclusive, will, when the time comes, be dismantling the pumps and piping at the stations to be shut down and reinstalling the

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WHAT WE DID LAST MONTH

Tanker Arrivals
At South Portland..........................15
Barrels of Crude Received
At South Portland.........................1,828,328
Barrels of Crude Delivered
At Montreal..................................2,159,015
Average Barrels per Day
Delivered....................................69,645
Barrels pumped since
November 1941..............................148,257,689

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SPRING FEVER

Once again Spring is with us. Streams have become freshets from the melting snows of the woods, the ice is rotting on the ponds while fishermen yearn to get on the chilly open waters, grass is turning green on the sunny corners and that lazy feeling again creeps into the human frame.

They say that Spring causes queer things to happen to Man and Beast and Red Perham is setting out to prove it in an article he has sent us on "The Frustrated Fisherman". True to the usual Perham picturesque style it should give us a chuckle on how the birth of Spring effects the native folk of Oxford County. We also find it a bit refreshing in reading "Red's" description of how man, fallen a victim of Spring Fever wrestles with the awakening life of our native animal kingdom.

FRUSTRATED FISHERMEN

When the snow hangs in the woods past the middle of April and the cold waters rush in the brooks, and the baseball season up here in the Oxford Hills Spring gets a late start, and men, as a whole get a feeling of frustration. They can't work up a fishing fever when its raining cats and dogs. They can't play baseball for the same reason, so they just back up to the old wood stove, poke in another stick, and swap yarns.

It started off with the pathetic tale about "little Nell" and the guy that did her wrong. Then everybody agreed he was a skunk.

And speaking of skunks, says Red, "reminds me of the one I just missed the other night between Waterford and Norway".

From there on it became a stinking mess. One guy ran over 3 white hedgehogs that proved by their odor to be 3 albino skunks. Another guy ran over a giant pure black skunk that brought $5.00 cash without skinning same.

Then Red chased a young coon up a hemlock tree. At 16 feet, the coon slipped off a small limb and headed for the ground. At 12 feet, Red stepped off into space and headed for the ground. The coon hit mother earth somewhat bewildered. Red struck on his rump and somewhat befuddled, but slapped his coat over the coon and hung on.

In the excitement of the moment his brother offered $5.00 for the beast, made a purchase and proceeded with the wrestling match until the coon rested peacefully down home in a barrel. Inside of 12 hours the coon gnawed a hole in the barrel and was free. Inside of 24 hours the money burned a hole in Red's pocket and he was free of it.

At this moment, one of the boys ran down a young fox, picked him up for dead, threw him in the back of the car, and
headed for home. Hearing a scuffling noise in the rear, he trained a flashlight on the back seat and there sat Reynard, bright as a dollar, and looking him right in the eye. They journeyed home together and on arrival, a pair of heavy leather gloves and a wrestling match tamed the fox and a chain and collar made him a family pet. He finally escaped by gnawing a hole through a barrel and snapping a link in his light chain.

Then one of the boys down in the "Possum Country" cornered a possum on an old bridge. The possum ran over to one end of the bridge, looked over the edge into the water below and then ran back to the other end and performed a like act. Then he backed up to a post center way of the bridge and rattled his teeth at his enemies. One of the boys turned on the Model A lights full blast, and pointed the butt end of a Fising Rod section at Mr. Possum. The Possum grabbed it with his teeth and a giant flip landed him in the rear of the old Tudor, Model A. In just 4 seconds the Possum proceeded to tear and paw a hole in the rear seat and buried himself out of sight amongst the steel springs. A bit of swearing and pounding drove him out of that, and in 3 seconds he had torn his way through the new upholstering on the back rest. His final demise came with a 100 foot drop kick off the toe of a boot into 40 feet of water.

Then the deer had to take it. The first one got knocked down on the main highway, was thrown into the rear end of a sedan, came to life, and finally met accidental death by sticking his head out the window and bumping his forehead on the back end of a pole axe.

The second deer was a legal deer knocked down by a hunter who did not want to tag him, so piled him into the rear of a big sedan and headed for home. This deer also, came to life, and a half hour struggle ensued with the deer underneath and the hunter flopping all over the car. Death finally came to the deer by means of a hunting knife - but what a messy performance in the back end of the car.

When incidents like this happen up here in the Oxford Hills, - what must it be like out in the wide open spaces of the West, - where the squirrels grow big enough to carry off dogs, where men actually wrestle and throw the bull, and the big catfish replace the outboard motor as a means of locomotion for the fishermen.

As I said before, and I say it again - When you can't hunt, and you can't fish and you can't play baseball, and the basketball season is over, you just gotta do something.

Red Perham

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WESCOTT PRESIDENT OF BOWLING CLUB
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bare Spiller were appointed to a committee to obtain a suitable trophy which could be used for this purpose. It was suggested that some form of cup with a plaque on which to inscribe the name of the winning team would serve as a useful memento from year to year.

TOM BEATTY'S TEAM WINS SECOND HALF OF BOWLING SEASON

Beatty's Bruisers are the indisputable champions of the office bowling league. They so overwhelmed their opponents that it was the first time in the history of office bowling that there hasn't been a second half play off match. This was due to the fact that the Bruisers came out on top for both first and second halves. What magic power the Bruisers possess in order to place themselves so far ahead in the league is still a mystery to their opponents and those who sat on the sidelines. The armchair bowling generals, however, are speculating that it was just sheer brute force as well as the uncanny sense of direction that each teammate possessed in getting the bowling ball into the right place at the right time among the pins. In any event, Beatty, Curran, Chilcoat, and Lord deserve a hearty handshake for having crashed through to the finish
line in first place. The final team standings are published as follows:

**Games Won**

Team #4--Bruisers.........29  
1--Spitballs..........26  
3--Weasels..........22  
2--Hotshots..........13  

The Bruisers also take the laurels for having high team total which was 1364, and high team single which was 469. We also congratulate Tom on having a high individual total of 340.

We recognize the fact that the other teams had good bowlers too and the highest average for the year on each team is set forth as follows:

Team #1 - Neils Johnson...89.1  
2 - Ray Higgins......89.1  
3 - Anne Scanlon.....84.1  
4 - Tom Beatty......96.9

In conclusion, it can be truthfully said that the office bowling league has completed its most successful and eventful season and all of the players are looking forward to next year's bowling activities with interest and enthusiasm.

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J. O. BARBER HONORED AT DINNER  
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low workers at Gorham Station.

Mr. Barber is the second employee to transfer to Lakehead since the organization of that company. It will be recalled that Mr. Pero was transferred to their Superior, Wisconsin office, last fall. Mr. Barber is well qualified for his new assignment after having had over thirty years experience in pipelining. He started work for the Oklahoma Pipe Line Company in January 1918 and worked his way up to an Oiler and Station Engineer. Since coming to the Portland Pipe Line in October 1941, he has held several assignments - his first being Diesel Station Operator at West Burke and on many occasions has acted as relief Chief Operator at several of our pump stations.

He also was an Assistant Construction Foreman at the time that our third unit was installed in 1947.

Those who attended the dinner in honor of Mr. Barber are as follows:

L. E. Wescott  W. G. White  
E. G. Wilkins  O. L. Chilcoat   
K. H. Blanchard  J. L. Creed  
G. D. Champlin  F. M. Seales  
H. L. Phillips  W. M. Simmons  
J. W. Baker  F. A. Hunt  
L. C. Wheeler  T. R. Corrigan  
W. A. Smith  R. B. Lewis, Jr.  
F. Lamb  K. I. Ridgwell  
F. W. Foss  M. L. Tenney  
H. O. Cermier  W. J. Luebeck  
J. E. Barber  J. E. Randle  
J. Miles

The PIPELINER wishes to take this opportunity to wish John and Mrs. Barber the best of success and happiness in their new location and on his new assignment.

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JIM CRUDEN  
GIVEN FAREWELL  
PARTY AT HIGHWATER

On Friday evening, April 21st, the Highwater Hotel was the happy meeting-place for fifty people, who had come from far and near to attend the farewell dinner given for Mr. and Mrs. J.P. Cruden, on the occasion of Jim's transfer to Interprovincial Pipe Line Company, which takes effect May 1st. Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Irwin were also guests of honour, in recognition of Johnny's transfer to Montreal East as Chief Gauger.

Friends and fellow-workers in the Montreal Pipe Line braved poor road conditions, bad weather, and other hazards, so as to be on hand - as likewise did friends from Portland Pipe Line, below the border. Our own Mr. Schultz, due to vacation plans, was unable to be present, but expressed his very good wishes to Jim by telegram, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Creed, of Portland, Bob Lewis and Fred Lamb of Gorham, N.H.
Pete Ridgwell from Lancaster, N. H., and Bill Luebeck from West Burke, all trekked up here for the event -- busy as they all are with plans for the new line.

Capt. J. Stuart, representing Interprovincial Pipe Line, made the longest trip of all, having come down by plane on Friday. Our Vice President Mr. Gordon Maclean, and Mrs. Maclean, Mr. Ken Leask and Mr. Graham George made the trip from Montreal, and Mr. and Mrs. Hornby, Mr. and Mrs. Lucien Robert, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Clerk, Mr. George Bonvouloir and Mr. F. Marcotte struggled thru the mud of St. Cesaire to join the party.

Under the able chairmanship of Harold Liot, the evening got off to a good start at 7:00 p.m., and after a friendly get-together, everyone sat down to beautifully decorated tables, set with massed centerpieces of spring flowers, with yellow tapers in silver holders. A delicious turkey dinner was served, following which Mr. Liot made the opening address, expressing the goodwill of everyone present towards Jim, and their regrets at losing him at Highwater. Mr. Liot then called upon Mr. Frank Sirdevan who very ably covered the events of eight years of working together at Highwater Station. The Chairman then called upon Mr. Creed, who spoke of his happy associations with Highwater Station and its personnel over the past eight years, his satisfaction with the maintenance and general appearance of the Station and the recollections of the big smile with which Jim had always greeted his visits, Mr. Creed further added that Interprovincial had asked for the best in Chief Engineers, and that they were giving them the best, and concluded by expressing his best wishes for a happy and successful future for Jim with Interprovincial out West. Mr. Creed at this point read aloud two telegrams received from Mr. Schultz - one from Portland and one from his vacation spot in North Carolina.

Jim replied to Mr. Creed's remarks, expressing mutual good feelings and expressed thanks to every member of the station staff for their cooperation over the past years and also, extended thanks to everyone in the Mansonville-Highwater area who had helped in any way to smooth out some of the rough spots experienced from time to time. Special thanks went to the Canadian Customs and Immigration officers who had done so much to make the work run smoothly.

Capt. J. Stuart of Toronto was the next speaker who expressed the satisfaction of Interprovincial Pipe Line over Jim's transfer to their organization, even though it meant taking him away from a station still in operation.

Mr. W. H. McAllister of Imperial Oil Limited, Montreal, spoke next and said that there was very little left for him to comment on, as the previous speakers had covered all the ground very thoroughly. He made a quick summary of appreciation of Jim's efforts, both from a work and social point of view, over the past years, and concluded by wishing him good luck in the new project.

The Vice President, Mr. Gordon Maclean, then read aloud a telegram from Mr. Eddie Irwin, recently Chief Gauger at Montreal East, and now Terminal Superintendent for Interprovincial at Superior, Wisconsin, expressing good wishes for the future and regrets at not being able to attend the party.

Mr. Maclean then made a brief address in which he mentioned Jim's tendency to hang onto his nautical phraseology, such as "stowing the cargo away topside", and stated that very little of this tendency was left now. However, what little remained, he hoped would be completely removed by Jim's transfer out to the Prairies, to Interprovincial, and that in a very short while he would have completely "swallowed the anchor". As a token of appreciation from his friends and fellow-workers in the Montreal Pipe Line, Mr. Maclean then presented Jim with a gold wrist-watch, suitably engraved, after which Jim made a brief speech of thanks.

Mr. Maclean then called upon Mr. J. H. Irwin, and presented him with a gold tie pin, in honour of his transfer to Montreal East, from his friends at High-
water and John replied briefly, expressing his sincere thanks.

Mrs. Maclean then presented Mrs. Cruden with a gift from the ladies of Highwater Station - a black calf handbag. Mrs. Cruden expressed her thanks for the gift and mentioned the happiness she had enjoyed over the past years through having such pleasant neighbors.

Mrs. Irwin was the next recipient of a gift - a most attractive pin and earrings set - also from the ladies of Highwater Station, for which she expressed sincere thanks.

The dinner was brought to a close with the singing of, "For they are jolly good fellows", led by Gordon Maclean and three sets of ringing "Hip, Hip, Hooray!"

Following the dinner, dancing was enjoyed by all, and those who were obliged to leave the party for distant points at the early hour of 10 p.m. did so reluctantly.

Compliments are very much in order to Harold Liot, for his work as Chairman and to Mrs. Liot, who with very little time for preparation, made a top-notch job of everything. It was a party that will be long remembered by all.

Your Highwater Reporter.

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pumps and adding the piping at the stations to be continued in operation. Similarly, F.S. Boulos Company will be salvaging electrical equipment at the stations to be shut down and making the additional and new installations at South Portland, North Waterford and Lancaster. Also, the contractors who are going to work on the building construction at the stations to be enlarged will be doing considerable salvaging work in the way of removing materials from the stations to be dismantled. In view of the profound interest that we feel our readers have with regard to this big project, they may find it interesting to have a few facts regarding the sectional line up on this construction and the contractors who will be working thereon. A brief resume of the activities of some of the contractors follows. At the end of this article is given a complete list of contracts which have been awarded to date.

LATEX

The Latex Construction Co., which will lay the 30" line from the Terminal to the Tank Farm, has established an office and fabricating shop over in the old shipyard at South Portland. Fabricating of the piping and manifold systems started this month and, during May, it is expected that the coating on the 30" line will be well underway.

CHICAGO

The Chicago Bridge and Iron Company has shipped in the steel for the four new 150,000 barrel tanks at South Portland, has placed the bottom sheets for all four tanks, and is well started on the erection of two of the shells.

OKLAHOMA

The Oklahoma Contracting Company has opened their headquarters office at 907 Main Street, Westbrook. However, the peak of their activities will not come until sometime in June or July after the main line pipe starts arriving around June 10th. At the present time, they are maintaining only a skeleton crew, working out of their Westbrook office.

ASSOCIATED

Associated Pipe Line Contractors have resumed clearing in Vermont, and we understand they plan to set up a field office in Barton, Vermont.

MANNIX

Fred Mannix & Company, Limited, have set up headquarters in Cowansville and started trenching near Highwater in the third week of April.
NEW CONSTRUCTION PERSONNEL

Since last month's issue, several more names have been added to the list of construction personnel and we are glad to introduce them as follows:

Messrs. Gordon E. Ainsworth, Kenneth E. Church, and Robert B. Pollansbee have been selected as Chief of Party for survey work along the line. Their main work will consist of locating the old line and plotting the course of the new line ahead of the contractors as well as any survey work required around the stations. The survey crews will be under the direct supervision of Doc Cassidy and there will be two men to assist each party chief.

Mr. Ainsworth is well known to many pipeliners since he was engaged in survey work when the original line was laid in 1941. Since that time, he has been in business for himself in Deerfield, Massachusetts, and is more recently known for his Saturday Evening Post fame since there was an article written on his business in this magazine several months ago.

Mr. Pollansbee was formerly a professor of railroad engineering at M.I.T. and has had considerable civil engineering experience with the U.S. Forest Service in New Hampshire and Vermont.

Mr. Church comes from Holyoke, Massachusetts, and has had many years experience with the U.S. Army Engineering Corps in civil engineering duties.

The men so far selected to work with the survey crews are Albert E. Ball, Albert E. Nichols, Harry S. Stephenson and Charles E. Zeiner. Messrs. Ball and Zeiner are well known to all of us, having spent considerable time in field work for the Engineering Department over the past two years. Mr. Stephenson, who comes from Gorham, New Hampshire, has also spent considerable time on survey work at the northern end of the line, during 1949. Mr. Nichols comes from Springfield, Massachusetts, and has worked quite a number of years with Mr. Ainsworth. Mr. Wallace A. Libby has been engaged as a Building Construction Inspector and he comes to us from the Ellis C. Snodgrass Company where he has had considerable experience in the building construction field. Mr. Libby worked on our new dock installations which were erected back in 1946.

Two new Draftsmen have been engaged to work in the Engineering Department on construction. Mr. Arthur M. Pillsbury comes to us on this work after having been in business for himself for a number of years and working for A.J. Harriman Company, architectural firm which is well known in Maine. Mr. Pillsbury is a graduate of Northeastern University, B.S. C.E., class of 1926. Mr. Irving R. Stanton, who is also assigned to drafting, has had considerable experience along this line. He formerly worked for Bancroft & Martin Rolling Mills Company and A.J. Harriman Company, where he was a structural draftsman. He also worked two years at the U.S. Navy Yard in Charleston, South Carolina, where he was a naval architect. Mr. Stanton is a graduate of the University of Alabama, B.S.C.E., class of 1943.

The Portland-Montreal Pipe Line system has been very fortunate in securing the services of a number of men who have been loaned to us by other companies and are well qualified and experienced in their specialized fields for assisting us in building the new line. These men hail from different parts of the country and represent three different companies. Their duties will consist primarily of inspecting the work to be done by the contractors and to co-ordinate the tie-in between our Engineering Department and the work to be done by the contractors.

The Shell Pipe Line Corporation has loaned us the following men:

Joy C. Bralley........Coating Inspector
Clarence W. Hall........Welding Inspector
Clint L. Jarrett........Pipe Line Inspector
Robert M. Lytle........Pipe Line Inspector
Reinhard H. Roettger..............
........................Chief Welding Inspector
Willard M. Scroggs........Pipe Line Inspector
These men will be assigned to various sections along the line, covering the main pipe line, manifold installations and the 30" discharge line at South Portland.

The Humble Pipe Line Company has loaned us Mr. William F. Fitzgerald who will act as a Pipe Line Inspector on Section 1. The Portland Pipe Line is not a new assignment to Mr. Fitzgerald, as he was here with us in 1941 as a Ditching Inspector when the original line was built.

It is anticipated that there will be considerable work in connection with the routing of pipe and other material from the source of supply over the various railroads connecting with our destination points along the line. In order to handle the large volume of detail connected with this traffic, Mr. Robert F. Meyer has come to us to co-ordinate with Mr. Batchelder and Mr. Chilcoat on this work until all the pipe has been delivered. Mr. Meyer has been loaned to us by the Esso Standard Oil Company where he is employed in the New York office in the Traffic Department. Mr. Meyer has had 43 years of service with the Jersey Company and has been sent out on several special assignments where large shipments of pipe and other materials had to be co-ordinated. In 1941, he was in charge of traffic for the Plantation Pipe Line Company which was being built at that time.

We extend a very cordial welcome to all of our new construction personnel. We wish to have them feel that they are playing an important part in bringing about the successful completion of this project. They are well experienced in the field in which they are engaged and we know their services will be of great value to our company. It is our intention to make their stay with our company as pleasant as possible and, in this respect, we convey to them a pleasant welcome.

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Section 6

30" Discharge Line Construction at South Portland, Maine

Contractor, Latex Construction Co. of Ga. (Remainder of information same as under Sections 4-5)

Sections 7-16

Construction of Oil Lines and Outside Manifolds at South Portland Tank Farm and Oil Lines at North Waterford and Lancaster Stations.

Contractor, Latex Construction Co. of Ga. (Remainder of information same as under Sections 4-5 and 6)

Sections 17-21

Construction of Manifold and Delivery Lines at Montreal East.

Contractor, Latex Construction Co. of Ga. (Remainder of information same as under Sections 4-5, 6 and 7-16)

Sections 22-24

22 - Construction of Pump Station Building Extension, South Portland.
23 - Construction of Manifold Building Extension at South Portland.
24 - Construction of T-2 Control Center Building at South Portland

Contractor - Samuel Aceto & Company
President: Mr. Samuel Aceto
Address: 40 Preble Street
         Portland, Maine

Sections 25-26

25 - Construction of Pump Station Building Extension at North Waterford.
26 - Construction of Manifold Building Extension at North Waterford.

Contractor, Consolidated Constructors, Inc.
Address: 807 Congress Street
         Portland, Maine

Sections 27-28

27 - Construction of Pump Station Building Extension at Lancaster.
28 - Construction of Manifold Building Extension at Lancaster.

Contractor, Consolidated Constructors, Inc. (Remainder of information same as under Sections 25-26)

Section 29

Construction of Scraper Trap Building at North Troy, Vermont.

Not awarded as of April 25, 1950.

Section 31

Electrical Work at South Portland, North Waterford, Lancaster and North Troy.

Contractor - E. S. Boulos Company
President: Mr. E. S. Boulos, Sr.
Address: 247 Middle Street
         Portland, Maine

Miscellaneous

Dismantling of Telephone Line Between Raymond, Maine, and Highway 118.

Contractor - Kerr Electric Company
Address: Lewiston, Maine

Erection of four 150,000 barrel tanks at South Portland, Maine

Contractor - Chicago Bridge and Iron Co.
Address: c/o Portland Pipe Line Corp.
         South Portland Tank Farm
         South Portland, Maine

Foundation Excavation for new Tank Manifolds at South Portland, Maine.

Contractor - Ernest J. Asselyn
Address: 106 William Street
         Portland, Maine
No doubt many of you good readers had your ears glued to the radio on the afternoon of April 18th to listen to the opening game of the 1950 Baseball Season between the New York Yankees and the Boston Red Sox, sorry, I meant Sox. Being an ardent Red Sox fan I had mine glued to the speaker and when Jim Britt said, "here he comes" meaning none other than Fireman Joe Page, my heart sank down to the floor. Now the reason I have mentioned the above fact is that our regular Reporter Frank Ivers happens to be on the disabled list and Frank nominated me to come in and see if I could keep the rally going, so please don't blame me for this as I am only a rookie and I freeze up in the pinch.

Frank Ivers is on the disabled list with a bad infection. Mrs. Ivers is at a loss as to how he could have gotten it. No doubt, Frank didn't tell her that he was one of the many hundred that lined up on the Yacht Club Pier trying their luck fishing and being a very cold day, Frank must have caught cold. When the harbor trout start to run with the tides then you can make up your mind that Spring is just around the corner. Frank never has told any of us that he is an old timer at this sport, anyway here's hoping you are on the job again soon.

At this time we would like to ask if Herman got caught in the recent Ice Jam in the village of Lancaster. No news for a long while Hermie. Can you help us out Clara?

Olie Brudevold is anxiously awaiting his new Pontiac.

Martin Jensen has finally decided to hang out his shingle. Martin, as you know, is not only a capable Baker and Chef, but is also a First Class Paper hanger and Painter.

Earle Young has given up smoking, since then Earle has increased his appetite somewhat. Earle's diet consisted of 1 slice of toast, 1 cup of coffee for breakfast but after two weeks without the nicotine weed the diet has changed.
slightly, now Earle has 6 eggs sunny side up, 12 slices of toast, 4 cups of coffee for Breakfast; Earle is rapidly becoming a challenger to Humphrey Pennyworth.

Ralph Roderick's two sons, Johnny and Freddy, are confined with the Mumps.

Warren Lighten is filling in for Frank Ivors.

Well many thanks for taking up your time so till next month here's hoping, that you will again drop in for a few minutes.

A. E. Kennedy

RAYMOND

Mrs. Ernest Winalow (Gus's oldest daughter) has been chosen to act as chapern for the Senior Class at Yarmouth Academy, on its annual trip to Washington, D.C. Florence Plummer, who is President of the Class, will make the trip, Florence has been further honored by being named Class Historian.

Mrs. Dessa Simmons, Mrs. Hanna Rowe, Miss Rosemary Simmons, and Clifford Rowe were part of the huge throng that gathered at Portland City Hall recently to hear the great Evangelist Rev. Billy Graham.

The local scout troop exhibited an Indian lore booth at the Scout Calvalcade held in Portland City Hall on April 14th and 15th. Clifford Rowe made a unique prussoe for the exhibit.

Signs of Spring; Gus Plummer got stuck in the mud, put away his ice fish house and picked his first asparagus all on the same day. Gus has been serving as a traveling ambassador for the local ball club. He is lending a hand towards getting a new league organized in this territory.

Mrs. Hanna Rowe was seriously ill during the latter part of March with Virus Pneumonia. She is now well on the way to recovery but has not fully regained her strength.

The virus flu germ knocked the Corrigan family for a loop just recently. First mother, then Bobby, Mike and finally Kathie, one right after the other.

The Raymond Grammar School children enjoyed a week away from school in April. This annual vacation is called the mid-season vacation, as it is brought about by the difficult traveling conditions on our dirt roads during the Spring thaw.

Walter Simmons was recently initiated into the Order of the Shriners. We hear that a few of his fellow buddies from down Portland way made sure that his initiation into the Order was well planned. Don't know much about these affairs but did observe that Walter was well received and is proud to be a member of the Order.

Chat Rowe has recently joined the Masonic Lodge. He and Merle Tenney have been attending various meetings together.

Mrs. Dessa Simmons made the annual trip to Boston with the Windham eighth grade students on April 23rd. On the same day Walter journeyed to N.H. to attend a going away banquet for John O Barber.

It is front page news when a Democrat is elected to office in this great State of Maine. It seems that the reporters of this gossip sheet have failed to make note of this event that took place right in our own ranks. It gives no great pleasure to announce at this time the election of Mr. Robert McNaig to the office of President of the Portland Pipeline Club. The conquering hero from the hills of New Hampshire can now collect his just dues.

Gus Plummer entered the Mercy Hospital recently to have a skin infection removed from his face. He had just a short stay in the hospital but recuperated at home for two weeks before returning to work. We are happy to state that he is now fit as a fiddle.

Harry E. Corrigan
LANCASTER
(March)

Well folks the same old gang is still here even though it has been some time since you heard from us.

Glen Smith and family were in Boston recently for a few days.

Barbara Murphy was out of school for some time with pneumonia and went back to school for half days but is down again in bed with a cold. Also George was laid on the shelf for a few days with a lame back.

George Whittum was in Laconia recently on business. Well it looks here in Lancaster as though it would be Vi Smith and Herman Emery holding down the P.T.A. this year.

Addie Hickox has decided to raise peanuts this year in large quantities. Early orders are appreciated.

Lee Emery is in the dog house for denting a fender on the new Dodge. Looks as good as new now. Cathy has been out of school a few days with German Measles.

Lil Baker, Clara Emery and Kit Ross were guests of Jean Baker Corum for dinner one day last week.

I expect Herman Emery and John Baker to be on Horace Heidt's program most any Sunday night, because between the Hit Parade and the Minstrel Show here they have certainly had a chance to use their voices.

Last reports from Frank "Doc" LaBounty was that he had Hanover Hospital well under control. Hope his practice in Red Bank is being taken care of in his absence by Dr. Kennedy.

Allen Kennedy would like to hear your views on baseball this season. I have already picked the team to win the Pennant. Have you?

Jerry Baker entertained 12 of his friends on his ninth birthday. A good time was had by all.

How are all you Canasta fans coming along? Stubby Noyes and Cathy Emery are known as the Canasta Kids.

What's the trouble with West Burke. About time we had a report from there. We admit Lancaster has been a bit slack but there are more people at West Burke to write about so get on the ball someone and try writing once in awhile.

Well on that last item guess we will call it quits so will have to sign my own name instead of Herman's. Just hope this makes the deadline, as I promised the master it would be in last week.

Clara Emery

LANCASTER
(April)

Well we think Old Man Winter has finally left our town, the snow has disappeared but really had some excitement when the ice piled up on the Israel River even made the Boston papers by cracky. Although if one really believed all the stories that were published, they must have thought we were doomed.

The brush crew is back again to finish the line. Brian Emery is working on the crew.

Thelma Murphy and Bette went to Portland on April 17th.

Barbara Murphy went to Worcester with her Aunt for a few days. Barbara has been out of school for 6 or 7 weeks due to sickness.

The rural school district meeting at Lancaster was well represented by Pipeliners, Bakers, Hickey's, Whittums, and Emery's. No fire and very little smoke.

Ed Hickey went to Worcester, Mass. and brought daughter and grandson back with him for a week. His son, Albert, accompanied him on the round trip.
Jean Corum spent a few days recently with her parents.

Warren Moyes, Jr., is spending part of his school vacation with the Emerys. Penny and her parents also were visitors recently.

We are all sorry to see John and Anna Lee Barber leave the Pipe Line family here on this line, but of course, we can't blame them for taking a promotion our loss is their gain.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Richards and children, Mr. and Mrs. John Ross, from South Portland were guests Easter Sunday of the Emerys, also the Emerys entertained Mrs. Nellie Malloy and Thomas Malloy for dinner one day recently. We are all rooting for more money for our swimming pool here in town. Anyone that wants to take a chance on an outboard motor, electric blanket, bicycle, ball-glove, bat and ball, get in touch with John Baker or Clara Emery. Oh, also a fly rod, reel and line. Come on, all you sportsmen, here is your chance to get some equipment.

Clara Emery attended an auction in Littleton recently with Dede and Lee Emery. Old Dame Rumor tells us Short Pockets Kennedy has purchased a car. He won't get much use out of it unless it has a radio in it because knowing Allen he won't miss a ballgame if he can help it. I'm still betting on the Sox Allen, the Red ones too.

Herman L. Emery

GORHAM

John Barber left for Clearbrook, Minnesota, April 22nd. We all wish him the best of luck.

Joe Randle is the new Chief Operator at Gorham. Everyone welcomes him to Gorham. For the time being, Joe is "batching" out.

Tony Pugliese is at the Veterans' Hospital in White River, Vermont. Tony may look like a new man as we understand he's on a 1000 calories diet.

Frank Foss had visitors from Portland Sunday, the 23rd.

Guess that's all for this month folks. It must be the Spring weather or something, but everyone around here is waiting for fishing season to begin.

Tommy Corrigan

MONTREAL EAST

Winter seems to have given Montreal its last kick and Spring seems to be definitely here to stay.

Unfortunately For Gordon Ritchie he caught the kick - but good. The day of the last big snow storm he chose to come to work via the short cut. He arrived about 10 o'clock, a shell of his former self. Head in hands, he told us how he had been stuck eight times, probably a course record. He was pushed out of snow banks by everything from jeeps to bulldozers. Of course, he left his mark in each snow bank - a small piece of his car. Apparently the car lost everything but its ripples.

As Gord told the terrible tale, a shudder passed through his frame at every snow drift and at every shudder we shot him the ammonia bottle and he was able to carry on. This ordeal was doubly hard on Gord as a few short weeks previously he had experienced another shock. He had attended a wedding as one of the principals.

Fortunately the skies have cleared and driving conditions have greatly improved. In places the holes in the road are 25 feet apart or even more and the only thing we're worrying about now is the car.

Messrs. Brackenridge, Curtis and Colledge, our Interprovincial friends, have finished their stay with us and are now heading for the wide open spaces. During their stay they visited all stations from Montreal to Portland. We wish them lots of luck in their new positions.
Montreal Pipe Line was well represented at the Gorham Supervisors' Conference. Messrs. Maclean, Lessk and Irwin from Montreal and Messrs. Cruden and Hornby from our stations attended. At Gorham they were met by 12 inches of snow. Who said anything about Canada's rugged winters!!

Messrs. F. C. Schultz and S. E. Thoits paid us a visit on April 10th while in Montreal to attend the Shareholders and Directors Meetings.

We had a letter from Eddie Irwin this week and according to Eddie's story Wisconsin has its "Bears" too!!

Jack Power

TANK FARM

Mr. and Mrs. Bob McKaig and Josie, will be moving to their new apartment on Eastern Promenade on May 1st. Incidentally, I've heard it's very easy to spot the tankers coming in, from your fine view of the harbor, Bob.

Duffy (Sump Pump) Lewis has again left us for dispatcher relief for several weeks.

President of the "Hotel Gilbert", Mr. Cusklely is spending one day a week in the office covering that extra trick as dispatcher.

Frank Ivers has been missing from the line-up for several days because of some type of infection.

Olav Brudevold has likewise been at home because of illness.

We hear that Sue Ward is down but not out with a case of measles.

Several of the gang at the Tank Farm and Terminal have a bad case of Automobilitus. Not a rare disease, but one that tends to weaken "The Billfold" to say the least.

"Podge" Mooney with a Dodge Sedan.

Alan Kennedy a Pontiac Sedan. Dave Emery with a Plymouth junk.

We hear that Olav and Gil are contemplating new cars.

Wanted -- To Sell -- one oil barrel complete with stand, spout, and oil. See or contact Rapid Robert.

Wanted -- To Buy -- one half-shot Model T Ford transmission. Call or write R. N. Bridge.

There seems to be a bit of enthusiasm over the local political picture in South Portland. Have we any Senators in the crowd?

Lt. Willis Spear (N.R.) is leaving this week end on Military Leave for New York City where he will be attached to the Port Authority.

Frank "The Throat" Wagner almost slipped one by me but has purchased a new-to-him Pontiac in excellent shape.

PORTLAND OFFICE

One of the big social highlights of the season was a very nice dinner and shower that was tendered to Mrs. Barbara Congdon by her lady friends of the office on Friday, April 29, at the Columbia Hotel. Everybody had a good time, including Barbara.

Arthur "AC" Cowne of Bats' Roost fame has been having tough sledding, lately. He is confined to the Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary, recuperating from an eye operation. Reports have it that he is getting along nicely but is not enjoying the tedious wait to have the bandages removed from his eyes.

The Pipe Line personnel is indebted to Messrs. Champlin and Batchelder in their efforts for obtaining the Shell Pipe Line Corporation technicolor sound movie of their construction project on the Osark Basin pipe line. The picture was enjoyed by many of the office group as well as several from the Tank Farm and Terminal who came over to the office to see the picture.

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