HUTCHISON & WHITTUM RECO. 10-YEAR BUTTON

The presentation of 10-year buttons to Dee C. Hutchison, Electric Station Operator at North Waterford, and George T. Whittum, Electric Station Operator at Lancaster, marks the first in a series of many such presentations that will be made in the remainder of this year.

Fred Perham has written a picturesque article on the pleasant affair which was held at the Glen House in Gorham on Tuesday, August 7, honoring these two 10-year employees.

"Tonight is the night Dee Hutchison and George Whittum get their ten-year buttons - yet, standing here in front of the Glen House at the base of Mt. Washington, time seems but a fleeting thing. Reared above us, and adorned by mother nature, are buttons on the face

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THIRD FALL GOLF MEET SEPT. 29

Once again our Pipe Line golfers will take to the fairways and try their luck at taking away a prize at the Annual Fall Meet.

Many will recall the Tournament of last Fall when 19 faithful golfers showed up for this annual event. Since then a Spring Meet has been established and the good old game of golf among pipeliners has become a favorite pastime.

The Third Annual Fall Golf Tournament for Portland Pipe Line Employees has been set for Saturday, September 29, 1951. This very popular tournament will be held at Portland's Riverside Golf course off Route 302 entering Portland, with Clay Sweezy, Riverside Pro, in charge. Tee-off time is scheduled for 9:30 a.m. sharp. The Committee is re-

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FACTS SHOW BLUE CROSS PAYS

To have or not to have Blue Cross hospital insurance coverage has always been a controversial topic. Those who have had the coverage for a long time and not having been unfortunate enough to collect under it wonder if it is worth while and many of those who have not had the coverage at all but who have had hospital bills wonder if in the future it would pay them to take out this type of insurance.

There is a group though who have been lucky enough to have hospital insurance when a major illness has hit someone in the family. It is impossible to strike up an argument with this group as to the disadvantages of the Blue Cross for they see none. We do on rare occasions run into the individual who is skeptical of the benefits of the Blue Cross
Remember - every time our Safety Monitor discovers a hazard and cheerfully calls it to our attention so that it can be avoided or eliminated, he may have destroyed the makings of a painful injury. He may have even saved a life! This way, the Safety Monitor should be our unsung hero of the month with hosts of supporters.

It is gratifying to hear that the Monitor plan is working. The results are bound to be beneficial in this one more step to improve our safety record. It appears as though we are headed in the right direction on Safety. For our own life and limb, let's keep it up.

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HUTCHISON and WHITTEM RECEIVE 10-YEAR BUTTONS
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of God's earth that mark countless centuries of time.

Tonight, there is a friendly spirit casting its spell over everything as the boys mill around here in the yard, swapping tales and greetings. Around us, summer visitors move to and fro and the sight-seers arrive and depart from the station wagons that have journeyed to the Tip Top House. Bright sunlight and kindly breezes are with us and just a wisp of clouds play hide and seek on the mountain tops.

Off at the left, old Tuckerman's Ravine and Hell's Kitchen lead into the belly of Mt. Washington, itself. Lions Head is just above at the right, and the Tip Top House is discernable amongst the splotch of gray fog hugging the tip at the present moment. To the right on a lower promontory stands the skeleton of the radio station and behind, is the tip of Mt Jefferson. However, the Mt. Adamses are the boys who loom up directly in front with Mt. John Adams the highest at 5805 ft., the peak of John Quincy Adams is 5470 ft. and Mt. Sam Adams, 5585 ft. Lastly, nearest Gorham, N.H. is Mt. Madison at 5380 ft. It is a beautiful range of mountains and kind of friendly like tonight.
At 6:30 p.m., Ernie Wilkins notified the group that the funeral for the dead turkey was about to start and the grand rush began. North Waterford, Gorham and Lancaster were all represented with Johnny Creed and Ken Blanchard doing the honors.

The supper was held downstairs in the rumpus room where the Rotary Club meets. Aluminum painted walls on the south and varnished wainscoting, set off by green window curtains and gaily colored drapes depicting red elephants, hippos, kangaroos, giraffes, monkeys, etc, made a simple background with the piano, American flag, Rotary emblem and White Mountain Region posters adding a holiday touch.

The guests of honor, at the head table, were Dee Hutchison at Ken Blanchard's right and George Whittum on Mr. Creed's left.

The menu consisted of fruit salad, chicken soup, pickles, celery, olives, cranberry sauce, turkey and stuffing, mashed potatoes, blueberry pie or ice cream. Two cute and accommodating waitresses, Miss Parent and Miss Burns, served us well. They brought out a big, fat, raw onion as a specialty for Dee and accommodated your old reporter and Rod Bames with an extra supply of rolls and an "itty bitty dab of ice cream on our blueberry pie". We took a vote down on our end of the table to visit the Glen House again.

Mr. Creed, as our genial host of the evening, stressed the value of good comradeship and the significance of the 10-year button as the first big milestone of continued service. Greetings from Mr. Schultz were given by Mr. Creed. Ken Blanchard read the records of both Dee and George, after which the 10-year buttons were pinned on each. Congratulations and remarks were given by Ernie Wilkins, Bill Luebeck, John Baker, Fred Lamb, Ed Hickey, Frank Hunt and Red Ferman.

The showing of the movie, "Short Cut to Montreal", (the building of the 18" main line last year), was delayed a bit due to electric current troubles, but was held in the town hall at Gorham, at 9 p.m. Many thanks to Mr. Shorey and others for courtesies rendered.

P.S. On our way home, we dropped in at Bill's and Martha's roadside grill at Bethel for a snack.

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requesting participants to make every effort to be on time as the foursomes are made up in advance. Luncheon will be served at the club house at the conclusion of the event and prizes will be awarded at that time.

Each participant is asked to furnish the Committee with three 18-hole tally cards of rounds played this season attested by another employee, if possible. This is important in order to arrive at a fair handicap. All play for this tournament will be during the morning of September 29, except in the event an employee is on day shift Saturday, September 29th, it will be permissible for him to play in advance the day before on Riverside course with another employee certifying his card.

As announced in the June issue of the PIPELINER, prizes of one dozen golf balls each will be awarded for low gross and low net scores. Additional prizes will be awarded for the longest drive off no. 10 tee, and the nearest-to-cup drive from #13 tee. More details will be worked out in the near future and a bulletin regarding the tournament mailed to each location. Let's make this a big day and have as large a turnout as possible. Anyone desiring further information regarding this tournament should feel free to contact the Committee at any time.

Fall Golf Tournament Committee

O. L. Chilcoat
L. E. Wescott
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when they are measured against the pre-
mium cost. This group feels that the
premium charges may not be doing the ut-
most good for every cent that is put in.

Recently, there came across the ed-
itors desk a letter from the Blue Cross
office pointing out a few facts on Blue
Cross coverage and why this plan is
rated tops by the U.S. Senate. It is in-
teresting to note the comments made by
certain Senate members that would lead
one to believe that the general attitude
of Congress is such that no immediate
action would be taken on the very lively
subject of socialized medicine. This
particular condition reflects the excel-
len coverage offered by the Blue Cross
and Blue Shield which seems to be oper-
ing satisfactorily for most of those
who are enrolled in these plans. We
quote the following from the Blue Cross
letter mentioned above.

SENATE INSURANCE REPORT SHOWS
THAT BLUE CROSS IS TOPS.

We all get real pleasure out of a
good buy. A new Senate report on insur-
ance should make every buyer of Blue
Cross protection feel mighty good. The
report - (No.359, Part 1, 82nd Congress,
1st Session) - bears the title: "Health
Insurance Plans in the United States."
It was issued by the Senate Committee on
Labor and Public Welfare. While much of
the report is controversial, the statis-
tical data is factual, and what the facts
say is this: Blue Cross is tops!

BLUE CROSS PAYS THE MOST
ON YOUR HOSPITAL BILL

Here are a few direct quotes from
the report: "Blue Cross plans appear on
the average to have paid from 70 to 80
percent of the average hospital bill of
their subscribers in 1949." And it adds:
"In 1949, the insurance companies ap-
pear to have paid from 45 to 55 percent
of the average hospital bills of their pol-
icy holders, whether under individual or
group enrollment."

*Maine Blue Cross last year covered
77.3% of all the in-patient charges in-
curred in all types of accommodations on
some 22,000 hospitalizations in member
hospitals.

BLUE CROSS GIVES YOU BACK
THE MOST IN BENEFITS

Speaking of all the Blue Cross Plans
in the United States, the above Senate
report states: "Blue Cross plans report
an average retention charge (part of in-
come used for overhead, reserves and
profit) of 15% in 1949." In contrast,
the "insurance companies estimate their
retention charges at 20 percent for
group insurance and 45 percent for indi-
vidual insurance."

*Maine Blue Cross last year paid
back 89.8 cents out of every dollar of
income for services to its members, spent
10.1 cents of every dollar on operating
expenses, and had but one mill of every
dollar left over. Blue Cross makes no
profit.

ONCE IN BLUE CROSS ALWAYS IN BLUE CROSS

Let us continue to quote the Senate
report: "Persons who hold group insur-
ance usually have difficulty in carrying
their insurance with them if they move
from one state to another, from one lo-
cality to another, or simply change jobs.
In Blue Cross and Blue Shield, such per-
sons have a right to transfer to the
plan in their locality, without such re-
strictions as waiting periods and, if
they have been group members, to convert
to individual insurance if they wish to
pay the whole cost themselves." However,
the report notes that: "Under insurance-
company policies, they usually have no
conversion right.............."

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"It's only good diplomacy,
When we are too self-critical,
To tell ourselves our good points, too,
While being analytical."

"A man should work eight hours a
day and sleep eight hours -- but not the
same hours."
TERMINAL

Time flies and waits for no one—
Years are but months, hours are only
minutes. "Another year gone". Here we
are trying again to fill the shoes of
one of the Pipeline Star Reporters. Mr.
Frank Ivers and family have departed for
awhile. To date, I know not where for
their annual summer vacation. We wish
them happy holidays.

Come August 12th and looking from
the gatehouse across Portland Street to
the Terminal lawn, we find our beautiful
pink and red roses, which have been to
date an attraction to all this summer,
have done their duty and have gone to
sleep for the year. Not to be undone,
nature has stepped in, and to be frank,
I never saw such a profusion of color of
wild flowers that the firewalls are
showing off this year. Boys it looks
like a second cut this year, "Got the
scythes sharpened again".

Fishing, baseball, golfing, vaca-
tions and foremost those tricky running
horses. The latter item I think para-
mount in reference to what I have in
mind. "Quarter Moon". The Major Stock-
holder I think is spending too much time
delving into the combinations of digits.
Come on you lesser stockholders, get off
the horses and start riding the Major
for a few dividends and some of those
appetizing Maine Crustaceans and Burned
Vinegar Buttered Steamed Clams and what
have you. Fond memories, "Hotel Gilbert".
What say Gil, has Arty got any more Punc-
gles?

Benny Morton, Ole Brudovold, Jerry
O'Carroll and Vic Ward, at different
times during the month of August have
been at the Terminal as Pumper-Gaugers
while the regular Pumper-Gaugers are on
vacation and covering different jobs at
the Tank Farm.

Our faithful Guard and deputy, Mar-
tin Jensen, turns detective. I am told,
Martin received a letter from the Cap-
tain of the Tanker Bulk Trader, telling
him that he lost his wallet with all his
papers, when here last, about six weeks
previous. The Captain mentioned that he didn't care about the $10.00, but to him those papers were valuable. He also mentioned a few places where he had been that day. Within a matter of a few hours after Martin had received the letter, Wednesday, August 8th and after checking with the Portland Police Department and inquiring here and there Martin got results at the State Theater. He recovered the wallet all intact, $10.00 and all. Nice work, Martin.

Where have the little fishes gone this summer? Sad sight to look across the dock at the Sardine Factory and see such little signs of life. Other years at this time, morning, noon and night, we would hear the shrieking blast from the factory whistle calling the neighborhood women, girls and menfolk to the factory, to start preparing and canning the herring for the markets of the world. Our thoughts are only secondary to the thoughts of the many workers in the neighborhood who yearly look forward and plan so many things to do with the extra money they labor for. Clothes for the children returning to school, something a little extra for the home, money to fill the coal bin for the coming winter and etc., & etc. It is our honest hope that the fishermen who go out daily looking for these little rascals of the sea will put in an appearance and brighten the hopes and pocketbooks of the people before it gets too late.

Too good not to pass along. "DOWN EAST TALES FROM THE PARTY LINES". Editor Gordon Mackey swears he overheard this in a Stonington Maine General Store. 'Twas a woman shopping and the clerk assured her, 'Yes, Mrs. Jones, our girdles come in four mixed sizes; Small, Medium, Wow and Holy Mackeral!'

Riding out through Middle Road, Cumberland Foreside, we came across the beautiful new home of the Martin Jenson's one of the Guards at the Pipeline Terminal. Martin and Mrs Jenson were busy as bees working around the interior of the house arranging this and that and from our conversation with them, they should be moving in very shortly. We wish them many years of happiness in their new home.

Just a little shorty from the newspaper, but of interest to all Terminalites: Norway's Merchant Fleet has 5,500,000 tons of shipping.

Shortly after the Esso Binghamton arrived at the Terminal on August 3rd, Charles J.Harrow one of the crew members spotted two young ladies in distress in the harbor. Their rowboat had swamped and they needed aid in a hurry. Charles made a beautiful swan dive of twenty feet from the stern of the Tanker and swam to the aid of the girls until a boat arrived to fish them out and bring them ashore.

"Crew Cut" O'Carroll is pinch hitting as Pumper-Gauger in the absence of A. E. Kennedy, who is vacationing in the beautiful State of New Hampshire.

On the eve of August 10th, Lawrence Fennell bowled a string of 119 at the Scarborough alleys in preparation for the big bowling season that officially opens for the Tank Farm and Terminal bowlers August 20th. The string 119 was witnessed by Harry Phillips and Frank Ivers.

RIGHT WAY CORRIGAN: The wife and myself happened through the Oaks the other evening to witness a softball game. Saw our Mr. Corrigan throwing a few to his team mates, missed the softball game but was glad to have witnessed the game between the Pallotta Oil Company and the D. A. Fogg of the Portland Twilight League, Foggs being managed by Harry. I am not exaggerating but I saw the record broken for stolen bases, which includes both teams. And to top it off, our Mr. Corrigan stole (5) five bases including a steal from 3rd base, home. Also in this same game, a player on the opposing team pulled off the 3rd to home steal. Foggs was defeated 5 to 3. It was a game of walks, stolen bases, no hits.

We are pleased to hear that both Mr. and Mrs. Andrews, father and mother of Andy, our Dock Foreman, have recovered
from their recent illnesses in Portland, and have returned to their home Down East. A return to normal health is our earnest wish.

Frank Wagner

TANK FARM

Summer seems to be drawing to a close as our temporary men are beginning to leave for their respective colleges. Jerry Daniels has gone back to Wesleyan. Yale now has Ed Woodsum back catching passes, and Don Mayer has left for Boston College. Bob Cash is leaving for Bates on the 15th and Warren Libby has arrived at Gorham State Teachers College. Jim Stanton, formerly of GSTC, has departed for the U. S. Army when his National Guard unit was reactivated. Our loss was the railroad's gain when Hal Thompson rejoined the spare board.

Dave Stites, the Peaks Island thrush when queried about news for this column remarked that he was having a little difficulty with his motorboat. No doubt one of these rainy mornings Dave will be swimming back and forth to work.

Bill McInnis, Pipeliner de luxe, recently remarked during the lunch period to his fellow workers that he did not like women. He is the same fellow that shed crocodile tears when he viewed "Bambi" and "Alice in Wonderland".

Warren Leighton has received many congratulations for celebrating his 13th year of wedded bliss on the 22nd of August.

Ralph Bridge steadfastly refuses to divulge his vacation campsite. It seems that Ralph is now the proud possessor of several fine fishing spots in Townships 33 and 35 and feels that his fellow workers may encroach on these grounds if he speaks of the exact location of his camp.

We recently had a card from Frank Ivers who has been camping at Clark's Pond. Frank reported that the fishing was mighty fine as attested by the several eels that he caught. The largest eel, some 15 inches in length, has been entered in the Press Herald's angling contest.

Tony Pugliese has been a bachelor these past few days while wielding the paint brush on his kitchen. Mrs. Pugliese and the children have been passing a few days with her parents in Bethel.

Bill McInnis, Ed Woodsum, Dick Yorke, Ken Murphy and Tony Pugliese recently enjoyed a little deep sea fishing. Many varieties of fish were caught on this gala holiday which finally saw Ed Woodsum tossing his worms to the unfortunate fish who did not get their dinner that day.

Ralph Roderick and Ronald Richardson spent a few days in the Mooselook Region the first part of August in attempting to catch a few fish.

Ted Powers has nearly completed painting Tanks 3, 4, 5 and 6. Imagine our surprise when it was found that the numerals on these tanks measured four feet high.

George Norton opened his box of Pep on the morning of August 29th to find that his atomic ring was missing from the package. Needless to say George has dispatched a letter to Mr. Kellogg in order that this grave error may be remedied.

Carl Holmes, temporary Pipeliner, is now enjoying a two weeks' honeymoon after being married on August 18th.

Champ Fennel has returned to the Station after his annual two weeks' vacation.

Harold Deinstadt, Jr., was married at the First Baptist Church on August 26. Harold has now left for his honeymoon following which he will begin his studies at the Providence Bible Institute.

The Tank Farm Bowling League got under way on August 20. Interest is very high and we have ten teams that journey to Scarborough each Monday night.
George Flavin has left on his vacation to spend a few days in New Jersey. Dick Bruns is relieving as Assistant Dock Foreman during this period.

Dave Emery has returned from the Army and has now resumed his pipeline duties.

Bob Sullivan had the misfortune to be floored with virus pneumonia while on his vacation at Gorham, N. H. Naturally Bob was granted two more weeks after spending his original two weeks vacation under the care of Dr. Appleton.

Many questions have been asked about that fine luster on the Phillips' auto these days. All signs seem to point to the fact that Harry, Jr. is at home.

Art Washburn

NO. WATERFORD

#5 Pump arrived August 2 with Fred Lamb, Oscar Flink and Nick Hasty taking care of installation of both motor and pump.

Pete Ridgwell and Rodney Eames spent a day the latter part of July numbering frames for transformer at Raymond Station.

Your reporter (D.C.H.) sure appreciates the good send off by Mr. Creed and Ken Blanchard at the 10 year service supper August 7th. Also Waterford's 100% attendance with Fred Stearns and Gus Plummer on duty but there in spirit. We do have some good speakers with the P.P.L. Corporation.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kunath and daughter, Carol, of New Milford, N. J., were visitors at the Luebeck's during the month of August. Mr. Kunath is a nephew of Mr. Luebeck. We hope they enjoyed every minute of their visit and look forward to their return.

Mrs. Luebeck arrived home August 10 after enjoying a nice long vacation in Oklahoma and Missouri with her mother and son. She tells of having cold watermelon, garden fresh. (O boy, quit that stuff.)

Sarah and Judy Stearns are in the show business (Privilities of 1951). 9¢ per person admission. Audience and personnel included in the first performance August 14th, 8 p.m. - Glen Dustin, Carol Kunath, Peter and Mary Ann Curtis, Tommy Bowerman, Fred and Ellie Stearns, Mrs. Hob, Mr. and Mrs. Kunath, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Luebeck, Mrs. Hutchison and Bob Henderson. Added attraction, Tommy, Luebeck's dog, as dancing girl - complete with feminine attire. Afterwards, religious songs were sung, with Mrs. Luebeck at the piano.

Folks, the tall curly haired blond who filled in as Bill Luebeck's H & P typist for a short while a few days ago, is none other than the Pepsi Cola Kid, Bob Hicks. H & P stands for Hunt and Peck. We don't want you to get the idea Bob is being abused.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Johnson and Polly Arris of Washington, D. C., were visitors at the Stearns' home over the week ending August 25. We were very happy to see these people again.

Myron Walker and his Mrs. have put away, up to date, in the deep freeze approximately 4 bushels of beans and 3 bushels of peas. Boy, we know where to go for a meal.

Bill Luebeck, Ben Bowerman, Dee Hutchison, Rodney Eames and Harlan Hutchison, assisted in building the new fire house at North Waterford due to shortage of labor. Gentlemen, we are what you call plastic wood carpenters (cracks).

The Sawyers say they have no news but we will have to remember when things get too quiet, there is always good news right Bill.

Mr. and Mrs. Walker enjoyed the company of friends from Chicago the week ending July 29.

Mrs. Perham, we wondered if you no-
Bill Sawyer enjoyed a week's vacation ending August 31.

Gus Plummer has been suffering with a couple of jaw teeth and has had them extracted by Dr. Euston of Norway. One tooth was split before removal and taken out one root at a time. Gus we have chisels and cutters here and would delight in saving you some money.

Rod Perham says he's catching up on a few jobs this summer he should have done when he was toning baseball and basketball, etc. He had his wife painting, the boys doing the gardening and cutting bushes, and, as Rod says, we are really getting somewhere.

There is an old saying "Boys will be boys" and Fred Stearns and Ben Bowron are living proof of the old adage.

Builders of seagoing craft, these boys have really hit tops in their new venture at Hutchison Pond. Following out the true principle of circumnavigation, their craft has as its base a giant 6 ft. Tractor Tire with Tube insert. To the Tractor Tire are bolted two by fours floored over with boarding making a trustworthy old raft.

Yankee ingenuity is now at work on thinking up a suitable rudder. Today, the lone fisherman and his paddle merely paddles round a pivot and it takes two paddlers to make headway. Tomorrow, the craft may be equipped with a tail like a polliwog and resemble a long nosed turtle, for the rudder problem will be solved.

Any suggestions from "ye old builders of rafts" will be welcomed by your old reporter. The best suggestions, as to Rudders, will receive honorable mention.

D. C. Hutchison

PORTLAND OFFICE

We are going to shock everyone by not starting off the office column talking about vacations. With most of the vacation season behind us, thoughts are turning toward fall activities. Before the next issue of the PIPELINER rolls around, the bowling season will be just about ready to start. We presume, in the meantime, that the teams will be getting lined up and everyone will be raring to go. This subject is mentioned at this time to remind those who are stilldreaming about summer that bowling is just around the corner.

Our office has been decorated lately with the most beautiful array of gladioluses that we have seen in a long time. Barbara Spiller's sister is the glad expert with Barbara assisting. Undoubtedly, if they were put on display at a flower show, they would take a prize.

Gerry Walton, for a long time, has had a reputation as a good fisherman but recently she has acquired additional fame in being able to guess the weight of a fish. No need to have any scales when Gerry is around. No sir! As a result of her expert ability in guessing the weight of fish, she won a prize that was donated by the George C. Shaw market for guessing the poundage of a fish that they had encased in ice at their South Portland market. Her prize nonetheless was more fish - 48 cans of tuna. Now, the girls are having fish casseroles for lunch and we hear that Gerry is having tunafish ice cream for dessert at home.

Gordon LaBay was on a two-weeks sojourn at Gorham, New Hampshire, replacing Bill White on vacation relief. Mrs. LaBay was there with him for part of the time enjoying the White Mt. atmosphere.

The Gorham Warehouse has been a busy place lately and Lee Wescott has been spending considerable time at that location on inventory work.

The tail end of summer finds many
of our office folks enjoying their last fling on vacations. Among those who are currently enjoying their time off and those who recently returned are Gordon LaBay, Frank Abbott, Ken Blanchard, Mel Hamblet, Kay Sullivan, Ray Tounge, Helen Small, Lee Wescott and Bert Dyer. In the Engineering Department, Mr. Batchelder, Bill Jenney, Ray Henry and Barbara Spiller also enjoyed August vacations.

Ray Henry is the proud owner of a summer camp which he recently acquired on Little Sebago Lake. His family has been enjoying the summer there.

We were pleased to have with us as visitors from the Montreal Office, Gordon Maclean and Ken Leask. They spent several days with us last week. We enjoyed their visit and hope they come back again soon.

The hammers and saws are at it again while the office is undergoing some physical changes. Spacing arrangements for several of the departments are being changed so as to allow for more room where it is needed. Next month, when the job is completed, we will have some information on how it looks and where everyone will be.

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MR. & MRS. HAROLD C. PERHAM FETED AT 25TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Red Perham, our versatile reporter, and Mrs. Perham celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary last week in West Paris, Maine. A gathering was held in their honor at the Manor which is the home of Rev. Hilda Forbes. Many friends and relatives attended in order to do them honor for this occasion. The celebration was featured in last Sunday's Portland Telegram. We offer our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Perham and many wishes for their continued happiness in the future.

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Is life really worth living? Listen fellow worm, you can count yourself lucky to have got in at all on such a preposterous adventure!

JAMES E. BARBEE RECEIVES PROMOTION

We received the good news that Jim Barbee of the Humble Pipe Line Company, who so ably assisted us on our electrical work during the new line construction, has received a promotion with his company. The following clipping from the Bunkie Louisiana Record came to the editor's desk a few days ago and we quote it as follows:

"News has been received that James E. Barbee has been promoted to the position of Assistant Superintendent of Communications and Electric Department with the Humble Oil Company in Houston, Texas. Mr. Barbee has been with the company a number of years, and is held in high esteem by his employers.

"He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Barbee of this city and has many friends here who will be glad to learn of his promotion."

Congratulations, Jim.

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F.P. HEPFER ON THREE-WEEK VISIT WITH PIPELINE.

We are happy to welcome to our organization Mr. Fred F. Hepfer of the Standard Oil Company (New Jersey) Controllers' Department in New York who is visiting our organization in connection with a training program in the various phases of pipe line operations.

Mr. Hepfer arrived on September 5th and spent several days in the Portland Office before going to South Portland where he is spending some time observing operations from that point. Mr. Hepfer intends to visit North Waterford and Lancaster Pump stations and also observe the work at the Gorham Warehouse. He will then conclude his assignment by spending a few days in the Portland Office visiting the various departments.

We hope that Mr. Hepfer's stay here will be an enjoyable one and we all will be glad to help him in every way possible.