GEORGE D. CHAMPLIN JOINS P.P.L.C.

The editors of the PIPELINER are happy to introduce to our pipe line family George Champlin who has joined our organization to serve in the position of assistant to the president.

He has had considerable experience in the petroleum industry and pipe line work, beginning in February, 1941, with the Lago Petroleum Corporation in Venezuela where he worked in the engineering department as Assistant Engineer and office Engineer. In February, 1941, he was transferred to the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey where he worked in Elizabeth, New Jersey, with the local engineering department of the Sayway Refinery. He left the employ of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey

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LAND DEAL IN SOUTH PORTLAND COMPLETED

After several months of considerable effort, which has been given a large amount of publicity in the past, acquisition of the Fickert and Koror properties joining our present Tank Farm site on the north east side, has finally been concluded. Negotiations for the purchase of this land began back in September, 1948, but were hampered by a growing amount of opposition to expanding our facilities in that direction, with the feverish activities at public hearings, which finally resulted in the historic referendum of last January, now past. Details for acquiring the land have been successfully worked out. Final papers were passed on Mar. 22, when the property passed into the hands of the Portland Pipe Line Corporation.

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DR. HOPKINS ELECTED TO BOARD

Dr. Oliver B. Hopkins, vice president and director of Imperial Oil, Limited, was elected to the Board of Directors of the Portland Pipe Line Corporation and Montreal Pipe Line Company, Limited at the last directors meeting held in Toronto. Dr. Hopkins replaces Mr. J. H. White who submitted his resignation to both boards.

Dr. Hopkins attended Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, obtaining his Bachelor of Arts degree in 1908 and his degree of Ph.D. in 1912. For many years, he was a state and federal geologist and member of the United States Geological Survey.

He joined Imperial Oil in 1918 and since that time has had wide experience in the
Construction on the first four tanks is expected to begin when the steel has been received for the laying of the new pipe line, so that the entire project from storage tanks to pipe line will be underway at the same time.

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GEORGE D. CHAMPLIN, JR., P.E.
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in May, 1943, to accept a position with the Aircraft Manned Products Incorporated where he worked as a project engineer until September, 1944.

In October, 1944, he re-joined the Jersey group of companies going to the Plantation Pipe Line Company as Senior Engineer. He served in this capacity until September, 1945, when he was promoted to Chief of Engineering and Draftsmen. In March, 1947, he was transferred to the Standard Oil Development Company as coordinator of pipe line research for all of the pipe line companies affiliated with Standard Oil Company (New Jersey). In this capacity, he worked in close cooperation with Mr. Finney and his staff in New York and also, periodically visited the various Jersey pipe lines extending from Montana to Texas and Georgia. He held this position until he transferred to the Portland Pipe Line Corporation, this month.

Mr. Champlin attended the Cooper Union Institute of Technology in New York City where he graduated with a B.S. degree in civil engineering in 1930. In 1931, he received his masters degree in civil engineering from Cornell University in Ithaca, New York. He also took a law course at New York University in 1934. Mr. Champlin is a registered professional engineer in the States of New York, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania and is an associate member of the American Society of Civil Engineers.

Mr. Champlin was born in Fort Sill, Oklahoma and, at an early age, moved to New York State where he lived in Tushahoe. He is married, has three sons, and at present, is residing at 5 Frost St., Portland.
We take this opportunity to extend a warm welcome to Mr. Champlin to our organization. We trust he will enjoy working with all of us and we look forward to our association with him in the future.

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DR. HOPKINS ELECTED TO BOARD
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producing and transportation phases of the oil industry. His work took him into various phases of the exploratory operations in Alberta and the Northwest Territories and he was in charge of a geological party operating from the Athabaska River to the Pacific. In 1920, he went to Colombia to evaluate the DeMaro area which was subsequently acquired by International Petroleum, and on his return to Canada in 1943, was appointed chief geologist of Imperial Oil.

In 1944, he was appointed a vice president of Imperial Oil, Limited and was elected a director in 1945. In his occasional spare time, Dr. Hopkins is a great golfer and is fond of shooting and hunting.

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NEWS ITEMS - WEST PARIS

Red Perham's old home town is sparkling this winter in basketball. The West Paris High School Basketball quintet have placed in the Western Maine Tournament for the 3rd year in succession. Two years ago, they lost out in the semifinal events. Last year, they won the championship by defeating Wiscasset, Porter, and Kingfield. This winter's record listed 11 wins and 3 losses. They defeated Woodstock High in the preliminary play-off game, then defeated Porter High School, 52-46, but lost the semi-final, the following night, to New Gloucester, 50-42.

The West Paris Grammar School Basketball team had a 9 win, 3 loss record in mid-February, and were awarded a place in the Auburn YMCA Tournament which includes 63 teams in the play-off events.

West Paris sent a large delegation down to Town Meeting on the morning of March 7, and returned with the promise of an additional teacher for West Paris High School for the ensuing year. The acquisition of Coach Reid two years ago, paid off in big dividends.

NEWS ITEMS - WATERFORD

Fred Stearns, Billie Sawyer, Dee Hutchison, Bob Lewis and their wives have been in the thick of the Waterford fight for improved schools. All attended the Town Meeting, Monday afternoon, March 7, and voted in favor of immediate construction of the new four-teacher grade school, to be located near Waterford Flats. They also voted in favor of improvements to the two-teacher grade school now operating at North Waterford village.

Red Perham attended the Paris Town Meeting, Monday afternoon, to vote on schools. Returned to station duty at noon and stayed until the "victorious eight" returned at 4:30 p.m.

RED PERHAM

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Elsie Carter likes to bowl the hard way. Instead of rolling the ball towards the pins, Elsie rolls it towards the players' bench.

If anyone is wondering how Beatty's Bruisers are in 2nd place in the Bowling League, here is the answer. He shows up with a cigar (?) that smells like rope burning and suffocates the members of the opposing team. Last week Tom began to turn green himself.

Who was the gentleman who spent a good half hour trying to find out why his car wouldn't start when all the time all he had to do was turn the ignition key on.

Tom Beatty was presented a corsage by Mary Curran on St. Patrick's Day. A large carrot. With the carrot corsage and the burning rope, Tom was really quite a sight.
TERMINAL

This is the month of strenuous training by our beloved big leaguers in the deep south and golden west. Also, 'tis the month for sulphur and molasses, picking and planning vacations, storage of long handled underwear, sketching and plotting the family gardens as proposed and finally planted by the Mrs. There is one thing about gardening that I know thoroughly, that is, no matter how shallow or how deep the seed is planted, the weeds will beat 'em to the surface and put up a terrific struggle for survival.

The seagulls pitted their "cunning" against our pipeliners and finished second best in the battle of wits. They should have known better than attempt to outsmart these waterfront smarties of ours. The Nordic Ship Supply Launch was alongside the tanker Finmark loading stores on board when something went wrong and a batch of stores fell overboard. The lot contained one case of chickens, two heads of cheese, three five gallon cans of milk and a batch of broiled lobsters. The gulls swooped down and grabbed onto the lobsters, flying into the rocks at the pier head with the intention of opening the lobster by banging them on the rocks and having a high class meal for themselves. The pipeliners had other plans for the disposal of the lobsters so as soon as a gull arrived with a lobster, and started to work it over on the rocks, the boys would throw stones at the gulls and drive them away from their loot. It was a bad day for the gulls, and a lobster feed for our alert pipeliners.

The box of chicken and heads of cheese was rescued by the ship's crew with the assistance of our marine salvage experts, "Andrews & Co."

The Pipe Line Club held a quarterly dinner and meeting at the Falmouth Hotel March 9th. Those of us who worked the 3 to 11 shift at the Terminal and Tank Farm, namely, Sinclair, Sampson, Kennedy and Ivers, wish to thank the committee of Jensen and Bruns, for their thoughtfulness in sending us turkey dinners with all the trimmings from the hotel,
it sure hit the spot. The delivery was made by Duffy Lewis and Carl Emery, and, believe it or not, the dinners were warm on arrival, which meant that the speed limit was almost exceeded that evening by the caterers wagon.

Benny "Golden Boy" Morton is cutting down on the calories. What! no more banana splits and jelly doughnuts Benny?

Sonny Richardson stepped up a few years in the automotive world. Sonny is now the proud owner of a smart looking used Plymouth, that replaced a 1934 model in the Richardson garage. Smiling Jimmie Lunn was in town on business this month, relieving old faithful, Bill Seabury, for a spell.

The "Green Hornet" will be launched with ceremonies early in May. To those not in the know, the Green Hornet is the Terminal row boat. The sponsor for 1949 is Irene Brudevold, formerly of Peabody, Massachusetts.

The tanker crews keep asking when Jimmie's Cafe is going to reopen. That question is one for the State License Board on malts, etc. to answer.

Signs of Spring: The Captains, Stiles, Emmerton and Whiting of Ferry Village talking business on the Yacht Club dock. By the conversation, it looks like a good fishing season ahead, locally.

Jonese McNaig is recovering from a mild attack of mumps.

David Ivers had his first bout with a dentist, which wound up in a draw, and a later appointment. David said, on leaving the dental office, "Let's fool the dentist, Mama, and not come back again." Anyhow, he's decided he wants "come-out" teeth like Daddy's, then he could fill his own teeth.

"Hot Rod" Hunt, the man with a million accessories on his new Plymouth car is still trying to peddle his Model A Ford. This bargain can be seen by appointment only. It is not on display at the Terminal.

Gilbert "Cold Cut" Cuskley was seen in one of Portland's smart tailor shops being measured for a suit to wear in the Easter Parade. What goes on Gilbert?

Deep sea fishing parties will leave the Yacht Club pier, daily, this summer, at $2.50 per head. The craft is skippered by Captain Wilson, a native of Ferry Village who knows his navigation, having taught it for years in maritime schools. The above is not a paid ad, nor do I receive a commission for drumming up business.

Warren Griffin was one of the first in town to plant his peas.

Martin and Mildred Jensen motored to Providence, R. I. the 16th to visit relatives.

The harbor channel is in the process of being widened 35 feet. Time of completion, one year. Sounds like slow digging.

That little bug caught up with Frank Wagner and put him on the sick list for a few days, but you can't keep a good man down. Frank returned to work a few pounds lighter than when he left but is rounding into shape rapidly.

Gil Cuskley and Bob McNaig had two down front for the Coley Welch - Buddy Farrel bout at the Expo. Our ringside observers report that Coley has slipped a trifle, but should hit the top again when his timing improves.

Pipoliner Bill Spear is a great lover of Life, Liberty and the Happiness of Pursuit.

Art Cote has changed his address to the Tank Farm once again. Art had just completed moving his clothes, sundries and drugs, down to the Terminal when back he goes for another whirl. Drop in again sometime, Arthur.

Sheriff Walter White still has the chew terbakker habit. Walter should not be classified as a chewer, as he masters
it with a minimum of jaw action. He just slips a plug in the groove and there she lays.

Bob McKaig was forced to cancel his annual pilgrimage to the Boston Flower Show due to illness in the family. Jenesie has not fully recovered from the mumps and is unable to make the trip. In past years, Jenesie and Bob spent many happy hours at the show, browsing among the creeping bellflowers and petunia display.

Harry Phillips returned recently from New York City where he spent a few days on Company business.

The South Portland High School Basketball Team, after clinching the Western Maine "A" 1957-58 crown in Waterville High for the State crown and that's no disgrace to wind up a season as second best team in the State.

Did you know that dim lights have the highest scandal power? And nothing cooks your goose quicker than a boiling temper.

Some of the Tank Farm and Terminal crew will shortly allow Dr. Ham the Company doctor at Portland, a peek at the old physique. It's physical exam time once again for those employees who were not examined last year under the Company program.

Earle Young, who moved from South Portland to Cape Elizabeth where taxes were lower, did not escape the tax man for long. At a recent town meeting at the Cape, the taxes were given a considerable hike.

Jerry O'Carroll is wading with the Telephone Company, and we think he has a case.

Ralph (the Arm) Bridge rifled a snow ball over the top of Tank 13 on the first shot, thereby relieving Vic Ward of one dollar. Vic is betting on nothing from now on, especially if Ralph Bridge is covering the bet.

The first Diesel Engine was patented by Dr. Rudolph Diesel of Munich, Germany in 1892. The first American built engine was finished in 1898.

Ernie Cook dropped in and joined the lunch period bull session the 21st.

Bill Seabury devotes many hours pondering over a chess board. Any challengers?

David Ivers had one bicuspit filled during his second dental appointment and really enjoyed it, much to our surprise.

Some of the boys have been calling me "Thunderhead" due to the name of the Kaiser Fraser motor.

Les Carter, Jr., is awaiting delivery of a new Chevrolet.

Benny Norton is having gas tank cap trouble, and I am having trouble winding up this news. So, Amen!

F. (Thunderhead) Ivers.

TANK FARM

PIPE LINE CLUB HOLDS BANQUET.

The Pipe Line Club held its first Banquet and meeting of the New Year at the Falmouth Hotel in Portland, March 9th. An excellent Turkey Dinner with all the fixins was enjoyed by all who attended.

A business meeting followed the dinner with election of officers. New committee members are as follows: President -- Lee Wescott; Secretary-Treasurer -- Eddie Dunn; Committee Members; Leo Sampson, Tank Farm; Willis Spear, Terminal; Harry Corrigan, Raymond and all points North.

Our congratulations and thanks to all who served so ably on last year's staff. Many good times were had by all, thanks to your interest and hard work.

To Duffy Lewis and Carl Emery who delivered the Banquet to all the men on
shift work, a very hearty Thanks! from those who "wuzzent" there!

What is --- Shorter on the out-side
-- Longer on the in-side ---- Narrower on
the out-side --- Wider on the in-side --
Lower on the out-side --- Higher on the
in-side? Congratulations on the New
Dodge, Duffy!

Les Carter says he didn't know that
cars used gasoline, but you do now,
don't you Les? 2:00 A.M. is a bad time
to run out of transportation -- ask him!

Harry Phillips made a recent trip
to Linden, New Jersey where he conferred
with officials of The Esso Standard Oil
Company.

Sonny Richardson got the bug (it's
catching at the Tank Farm) and purchased
some new Transportation. (New to him.)

The Three Musketeers have been in
close conference, lately. I've been
hearing bits of their conversations as
follows, "Stumble-bum in the Third",
"Pitch-out in the Fifth", and "Homer in
the Seventh, on a Daily Double". Base-
ball season is just around the "connor",
Isn't it?

We are sorry to hear that Bob McKaig
is sick with the flu. We hope that
Jonesie comes out of it unscathed, as
well as Bob.

I've heard, "'Tis better to be si-
lent and thought a fool, than to speak,
and remove all doubt". 'Muff said:

Dave Emery

THE PIPELINERS LAMENT

I'm just a poor Pipeliner,
both happy and sad at times.
I dock all the tankers,
and tie up their anchors,
For The Portland Pipe Line.

I go to the dock in the morning,
sometimes at night or at noon.
Even sometimes I go,
in rain and in snow,
Sometimes I get there too soon.

I catch the lines they heave over,
hook her up fast as can be.
I once was a Tailor,
but now I'm a sailor,
On the dock by the side of the sea.

I take my girl to the movies,
the villain was a terrible lout.
The hero came on the run,
with his hand on his gun,
Just then, I got a call out!

I sit at the table for dinner,
the chicken is tender and nice.
Then the telephone rings,
and a familiar voice sings,
A Tanker is out by Two Lights!

At night-time I dream of Oil,
instead of Janie my goil.
A Pipeliner you see,
is the life for me.
Yet all through life I am foiled.

I'm just a poor Pipeliner,
never no rest or no fun.
I'm always on call,
Summer, Winter and Fall,
Yet I'd never swap jobs with no one.

D. C. E.

RAYMOND

While Walter was down with the flu
for three weeks in February and March,
Benny Bowerman served as Chief. And
while Benny ruled with an "iron hand",
Gus performed Ben's operating duties.
Peanut LaFontaine, our usual of many
summers, stepped into Gus' position as
Yardman. We missed Walter; carried on
satisfactory relations with Ben; proved
to Gus what constitutes an operator's
working day, and somehow endured "Salty"
Peanut LaFontaine.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Smith of West-
brook celebrated their 25th Wedding An-
niversary, recently, at the home of
their daughter Mrs. Myron Walker. Myron
played the part of chef serving up 4 lb.
steaks to twelve members of the family
that attended the celebration.

Walter Simmons was welcomed back on
the job on March 21st, after a month of sickness during which he certainly had a rough time. In trying to cure him of his illness, the doctor gave him peni-
cillium from which he got poisoning.

RAYMOND RAMBLINGS

Gus Plummer broke a spring on his '48 Ford. Buying a new one nearly broke poor Gus.

Ernie Winslow (Gus' new son-in-law) made the country town's All-Star Basketball team.

Myron Walker was sick abed with the flu from March 5th to 7th and again on March 20th, from which he is still convalescing.

Ramon Simmons took the Air Force entrance exams and left for San Antonio, Texas. Good Luck, Ramon. During your 3 year hitch, you will undoubtedly acquire knowledge and memories to last you a lifetime.

FROM THE MOUTHS OF BABES

Our Bobby's description of a blizzard snowflakes wrestling.

If someone were to call you to the telephone now and ask "What are you de-
ing?" You would probably say, "Oh, I'm sweeping the floor, shingling the roof, or getting supper ready." But when I called and asked Bobby what he was doing he answered very disgustedly, "I'm talk-
ing to you!" Golly, a man without a few kids under his roof surely misses some-
thing vital to his well-being. They are happiness, trouble, worry, experience, adventure, knowledge, nerve-wrackers, gentleness and love all wrapped up in one package.

The Raymond A.A. met on March 22nd, to negotiate business for the coming baseball season. All indications point to another gala season.

The Knights of Pythias, of which Gus and Walter are members, held their first meeting in their new hall on March 21st. Everyone has praise for the con-
struction and beauty of this new hall. It was built by the men of this lodge during their spare time.

Friday, March 18th, yours truly reached another milestone in his life. On this date, I deserted the ranks of those young fellas who race up and down a basketball court all winter long. My fellow employees have been giving me those long knowing looks as if to say, "Well, old man, glad to invite you into our circle of docile living, cane-toting fast graying armchair gentlemen." I am sorry, gentlemen, but I must refuse this invitation. My excuse for retiring from this rather active game can be laid to the fact that third trick and basketball would soon combine to put me into the wheel-chair next to yours.

George Burrows, known locally as one of the best athletes to come out of Windham High, was strucked with a ruptured appendix on March 19th and he is on the danger list at the Maine General. George stayed with the Corrigans while working with Lee Wescott on the survey crew. He also pitched and played short-
stop for the local nine.

Russ Wyman and Ken Plummer who have been employed at the Raymond Station during the summer months, are now busy selling vacuum cleaners.

Our visitors list for the month of March included Mr. Lawrence Fennel, Mr. Stuart from Imperial Oil, Ltd., Tony Fugliese from Gorham, Pete Ridgewell, Fred Lamb, Merle Tenney and Dr. Bischoffberger, who has practically lived in our camp for the past month.

Well so long until next month.

Harry Corrigan.

NO WATERFORD

Mr. and Mrs. Stearns visited with the Emerys at Lancaster Station March 6th. Fred came back with quite a lot of new material so we knew he and Herman had been "shooting the breeze"
Mr. and Mrs. Stearns, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Sawyer and Mr. and Mrs. Hutchison attended the town meeting of Waterford and were assured that a sufficient amount of money will be put up to build a new four room school building this year.

Harold Perham attended Paris Town Meeting and was re-appointed to the School Board, plus getting an extra teacher for West Paris School, March 7th was a busy day for the Pipeline family.

Here is more dope on the basketball enthusiast, Red Perham, finishing last month's article. West Paris lost the game to New Gloucester February 25th and so lost their chance at the championship game in the Western Maine Tournament. Cheer up Red, maybe the boys can be whipped into shape next year.

Mrs. Bill Sawyer was re-elected Secretary-Treasurer of Waterford, March 7th.

Dear Herman Emery
Dr. of Theorem, J.W.
Lancaster, N.H.

I want to show my appreciation for what you have tried to do for me. Thanks for the books (I am educated) they are now on the way to West Burke to another deserving man, one whom, we think, will spend a great deal of time on this subject (maybe.)

To show my appreciation I think, in the near future, my wife and I shall skip two meals and blow in on you for dinner.

D.C.H.

Mr. Wilkins was our visitor March 7th. He attended Waterford Town Meeting for a short period, on this date.

Mr. Fennel visited with us March 7th.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Perham, Mrs. Gladys Prey and Mr. Simon Guphill attended the big Oxford County Day Affair at the State House, Augusta, March 16th, where various Oxford County business products were on exhibit. Mr. and Mrs. Perham and Mr. and Mrs. Lewis attended the dinner served at the Augusta House at 12:15 p.m. Mrs. Lewis and Mrs. Perham attended tea served by Mrs. Payne, the Governor's wife, at Blaine Mansion. We haven't figured out yet, how Bob Lewis rated a seat next to the Governor's wife and how he got her to take a bowl of pickles when there was no place on the table to place them.

Mr. Fred Lamb and Mr. Lawrence McKnight, acting as chauffeur were visitors March 9th.

Sidney Perham, who graduates this year from West Paris High School, is Valedictorian of his class, (he has held Valedictory honors for the last four years). His mother won the same honors from South Paris High School in 1926 and his grandmother did likewise in 1906.

Joseph Perham--Sophomore, Sidney Perham--Senior, tied for first place in the Annual Prize Speaking Contest at West Paris High School March 11th.

Mr. Schultz, Mr. Fennel and two officials from Montreal were visitors March 16th.

Mr. and Mrs. John O. Barber were visitors March 20th. Boy, that is some classy car, John.

Bob Hicks is sure having his share of illness and we all wish you a speedy recovery, Bob.

Bob Lewis chauffeured Bob Hicks to the Veterans' Hospital, Togus, Maine where he will spend some time for treatments.

Dec Hutchison

LANCASTER

Last month's callers at the Station were Messrs. Schultz, Fennel, Cassidy, Goodwin and Rafferty.

Mrs. Addie Hickey spent a week in Worcester, Massachusetts with her son.
and daughter. Albert Hickey is home from the Army after spending some time in Alaska. Billie Hickey played basketball with the High School at the Tournament at Durham, New Hampshire, several weeks ago.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Lewis from North Waterford Station were callers at the Emory's recently. Bob has owned a number of different cars lately. Hear he has the used-car market in Oxford County sewed up. How about it Bob?

John (the) Baker has just returned from Elizabeth, New Jersey, where he attended a two weeks training course. We dreaded the thoughts of having Old John go for fear the temptations of Old New York might do things to him but he came home as calmly as he went so apparently no harm was done.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Stearns and children accompanied by Mrs. Hebbs and Polly Aris spent a Sunday at the Emory's recently. They also called on Mr. and Mrs. Glen Smith and family.

Barbara Murphy is home again after spending several weeks in the hospital with an ear infection. Eleanor (Dede) Emory also has been a patient at the hospital recently having undergone an operation for appendicitis.

Ed Hickey relieved as chief during John's absence.

Mrs. George Whittum who was operated on at the hospital several weeks ago is now home and going fine.

Herman Emory

WEST BURKE

Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. LaBounty of West Burke, Vermont, wish to announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Marion LaBounty, to Mr. Laurence Griffin of West Glover, Vt. The wedding will take place in June.

Wednesday, March 2nd, marked Roberta Sullivan's first birthday party. Attending were the two Grandmothers, Mrs. George Lary, and Mrs. Ernest O. Sullivan of Gorham who came over for the day, as did Grandfather Ernest O. Sullivan, Mrs. Homer E. Hamlin, Mrs. Gordon Ryan, and Mrs. John O. Barber. Attending from the Pipe Line Camp here were Mrs. John E. Barber and Carolyn, Mrs. Joe Randle, Mrs. Roy Brydon, Mrs. Carrie Farley, Mrs. William J. Luebeck, and Mrs. Frank J. LaBounty. Every one had a fine time as did the young lady who was the Star of the show.

Mr. Fennel paid us another visit this past week on his way back to Portland from Montreal.

The schools have been closed for a week's vacation giving the kids a little breather. Now, they are all back, hard at work again. Binks Benedict spent part of his vacation in Gorham with his Grandmother, but could not find much snow to ski on.

Sorry to hear that Jess Miles had the misfortunes to smash a finger while doing some work at Lancaster Station. He must have been like myself, either the finger was in the wrong place at the right time, or the right place at the wrong time.

Burke Gulch is glad that Dede Emery is making a speedy recovery from her recent operation.

Sunday noon, March 6th, Grandfather Sullivan drove over from Gorham for a short visit with the R. O. Sullivans, but the main attraction was their granddaughter, Roberta.

Signs of Spring here at West Burke: March lst, a flock of geese were heard going north by W. J. Luebeck, either they were mixed up in their direction, or they knew where they were going.

Saturday night, March 5th, your reporter watched a moth the size of a half dollar, flying around the spotlight that shines on Tank 135, so we are all hoping that there is an early spring, just for once in this State of Vermont.
Doc Cassidy was at the Station this week to see what the Cottages needed to have done this spring.

Mr. and Mrs. John E. Barber and Carolyn spent the weekend of March 12th with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John O. Barber of Gorham.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert O. Sullivan were called to Gorham this week by the sudden death of his uncle, Mr. Gordon Ryan. Our deepest sympathy is extended to them and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest O. Sullivan, Mrs. Gordon Ryan and family.

Mr. Joe F. Randle has exchanged his 1948 Packard 2-door Sedan for a new 1949 4-door Sedan.

Mr. Leonard Wursthorne has purchased a new 1949 Pontiac and is waiting for delivery which he hopes will be in the next few days.

John O. Barber is the owner of a new black Pontiac 4-door Sedan. Nice going John, hope you enjoy it.

Mr. Jack Larkin of Montreal and W. J. Lasbeck visited the Alexandria Lodge #104, A. F. & A. M., March 5th, at Montreal East, and on March 6th attended the Annual Banquet of Universal Craftsmen Council Engineers Member Maple Leaf #64, at the Queen Hotel in Montreal.

SPECIAL TO YOUR REPORTER. Everyone is glad, "The Little Walt has disappeared". A return would not be welcome.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sullivan are announcing the engagement of their daughter, Joy W. Benedict, to Rudolph E. Royster of Mr. and Mrs. William R. Royster of Glover, Vt.

Stubby Noyes.

PORTLAND OFFICE

The bright lights of Time Square have finally invaded the Accounting Office. A new lighting system has been installed in order to give that department the advantages of the best lighting obtainable on the recommendations of a lighting engineer from the Central Maine Power Company. New fluorescent lights now render an evenly distributed light over each desk from one end of the room to the other. The fixtures are very neatly designed and add to the appearance of the room. Similar lights have also been installed in Stuart Thoits' and George Champlin's offices.

It has been most gratifying to all of us to hear of the nice letters that have come from Johnnie Creed. Johnnie's latest report is that he has enjoyed a marked improvement in health and is nearly ready to head North, back to his old bailiwick. Before coming to Portland, however, Johnnie plans on making a trip to the Interstate and Humble Pipe Lines at Tulsa and Houston respectively, in order to discuss pipe line problems with some of his old friends out there.

We have also had some very nice letters from Sam and Mrs. Hart who, according to the latest reports, are pretty well settled in their new home at San Antonio. Mr. Hart says that he is walking around out of doors everyday in his shirtsleeves and the ladies of the neighborhood have already appeared in shorts. We think he is trying to make us feel a little envious, knowing that we can't do such things up here until late in June. We also understand that Sam is exercising his never-dying sense of humor and that a certain member of the Purchasing Department has been the recipient of a number of cartoons and humorous sayings. We also understand that the replies to 136 Paloma Drive have equaled the material received. We are wondering from whom we should get permission to print all of this material in the PIPELINER.

The weekly bowling contests have been hot stuff, lately, and competition remains very keen. Dunn's Dudes still maintain top place but they have to fight hard each week to keep it. Beatty's Bruisers are trying to push their way to the top but somehow seem to fall a little short of the mark. Scanlon's
Scouts are a mighty scrappy bunch and in the last contest Anne set an example for her teammates to follow by rolling 119 on one string. Higgins' Hotshots aren't to be fooled with when they got hot on the alleys each Thursday night for when they start rolling them they all look as if they meant business. Here is the standing of the teams after Thursday nights contest on March 24th.

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We were very pleased to have as our guest several days past week, Mr. J. T. Stuart of Imperial Oil, Limited. Mr. Stuart is personnel co-ordinator for the transportation group of Imperial Oil and has his headquarters in Toronto. He is at present making a study of pipe line personnel procedures, and recently made a trip to Transit and Storage in Michigan. We were very glad to meet Mr. Stuart and we hope that he returns to visit with us again.

We are all very happy to learn that Mary Curran's mother, who was recently in the Mercy Hospital, is much better and has now returned home.

EDITORS' APOLOGIES:

In our article of last month, with regard to the welding class which was held at the Gorham Warehouse, we unwittingly omitted Bud Cormier from the roster of students. We humbly apologize to Bud for leaving him out of this article as we have been informed, since, that he was a very apt and versatile student and attended the classes, regularly.

PHYSICAL CHECK UP SEASON IS HERE

Under the Company program of biennial physical examinations, employees have enjoyed the advantages of having a physical check up every two years with the Company doctors. This program has proven to be of great benefit to employees and the Company alike. In many cases minor physical defects and chronic ailments have been discovered and thru the recommendations of the Company medical officers such ailments have been corrected before they went so far as to impair the employee's health. This year is considered an off year on the examination schedule, as most employees took their examinations in 1948 and the only ones to be examined at this time, are those who did not have a check up last year.

The latest report from the medical department with regard to the general health of the Portland Pipe Line employees indicates that our employees enjoyed above average health conditions during the year 1948. In comparison with other companies affiliated with the Jersey group, however, the frequency of colds, flu, and other respiratory infections is abnormally high. Undoubtedly the section of the country as well as the weather play an important part in this instance. 54.5% of all time lost due to sickness disabilities was due to illnesses falling in the cold category. A total number of 121 sickness cases were reported during the year with a total loss of 545 days of work. Most of these cases were reported in the months from January to April. The statistics all round prove the importance of having periodic physical check ups and also indicate that the common cold is an illness that causes a great deal of suffering and discomfort. The exercise of caution in guarding against colds and their after effects cannot be too strongly emphasized, although the application of modern drugs has done a great deal to limit this infectious disease to a point where the after effects have not proven to be serious in most cases.

Ford Motors watch out! Kay Sullivan is trying to improve on the Ford she is running it without OIL to see how it works out.....Next water instead of gasoline.

Barbara Spiller attended the Opera at Boston this past weekend.

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