

## Visitation Here Sept. 2nd To 21st

### Families, Friends Invited

Have members of your family or your friends ever expressed a desire to see what takes place inside the gates of Lukens Steel Company while the making of steel is in progress?

If they have then here is your golden opportunity to see that their request is fulfilled.

From September 2nd to 21st, all employees of Lukens Steel Company are cordially invited to bring their families and friends on an inspection tour of the important points in the plant.

Groups will be shown through the plant daily from 9 A. M. to 8 P. M. during this period, with the exception of Sundays, by competent guides, and everyone on the visiting list will have a chance to see how steel is made.

Some of the thrills in store for the visitors include seeing the 206" mill, largest plate mill in the world, while it is rolling; watching the tapping of heats at the Open Hearth; observing the fast-flying flanging machines in operation, and many other outstanding features.

While all of the above operations will not be in progress when every group goes through the plant, no doubt one or more of them will be underway. Some of the rolling mills will probably be going a all times the visitors are admitted.

Arrangements for the Family Visitations can be made through George K. Irwin, safety and welfare department, who will be in charge of scheduling the groups. Twenty-four hours notice will be required to make necessary arrangements for the visits.

It was finally decided to hold a visitation period here, after many requests for such an event had been received.

## Announce Important Change In Repr. Election Dates

In order to assure a large vote for the nominations and election of plant representatives in October, that group recently made drastic changes in election dates as compared with other years.

Instead of holding the elections on Mondays during October, the date has now been shifted to the second and fourth Fridays, the 11th and 25th respectively, and the voting places changed from the store room to the two pay offices. Two sets of election officers will be in charge of the elections.

As both the nomination and election dates fall on pay-days, it is practically a sure thing that most of the employees will avail themselves of the opportunity to vote. Heretofore, many employees who did not work on Mondays, did not come out especially to vote.

## Roosevelt Backs Foreign Labor

### Robert W. Wolcott Comments on Situation

On July 26, 1935, President Roosevelt defended the general order issued by the Public Works Administration which requires that "a borrower of money must buy foreign material where the value of the order is \$10,000 or more and the price is 15% less" than the price of American manufacturers.

President Roosevelt showed no sympathy with the complaint made by the American Steel Industry protesting against this condition which will prevent the American manufacturers and therefore the American working people from getting their proportionate share of the \$4,800,000,000 works relief fund.

President Roosevelt's reply to the complaint of American steel producers was that the tariff on foreign materials and the 15% difference in price (mentioned above) which is necessary before any orders would be placed for foreign products, would protect American steel producers.

It is a fact that foreign steel producers can deliver their products to America and undersell our own manufacturers at prices of 15% less than the cost of American products even after paying the freight and tariff charges on their products. This is principally due to the low wage rate

## Decrease Shown In Accidents

### Div. 5 Still Going Strong

Division No. 5 stretched their no lost-time accident record to 135 consecutive days as the feature of the 11th period record, concluding last Saturday. Previous to this, Division No. 5 had gone 150 days without a lost time, making only one such occurrence in 285 days, a truly remarkable record for a department employing more than 350 men.

The Open Hearth Department has also gone three months without a lost-time accident, according to figures shown in the 11th period report. This is an achievement of which that department can be justly proud and reflects plenty of credit to the workers and their safety patrolmen.

According to Safety Director George K. Irwin, the lost time accidents for this year are ten less than at the same time the previous year.

Another heartening fact, revealed by perusal of safety records for the past two periods, is that lost-time accidents over the entire plant have been held down considerably, numbering only four in this time.

With only two periods remaining in this fiscal year an earnest effort will be made to finish out by avoiding accidents of any type whatever.

Given the cooperation of the workmen throughout the plant, it is by no means impossible to complete this year with no further lost-time accidents. Such a record would most certainly be to the benefit of all employees.

prevailing in these foreign countries. For instance, wages for labor in the steel industry in Belgium are 17c per hour; in Germany, 29½c per hour and in England 25c per hour.

This \$4,800,000,000 works relief fund will have to be repaid to our government by you and the Lukens Steel Company and other American industries and employees through taxes. It hardly seems fair that our money should be used to furnish work for foreign manufacturers and foreign labor who pay no taxes to the United States Government.

ROBERT W. WOLCOTT,  
President.

# Lukens Plate

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## Vacation Time.

Atlantic City, playground of the world, still seems to be the favorite among Lukenites. Florence Stern and Sara Gillespie were among the visitors. Also the Misses Miller, Reese, and Myers, the three cousins.

Mrs. Lottie Willard, sales, divided her time between the mountains and the seashore.

Lydia Richards and De Henness now agree that it is a long walk from one end of the Atlantic City boardwalk to the other.

Margaret McIntyre, sales, was at the home of her sister, Mrs. G. L. Gordon, at Stamford, Conn., for a week.

Employees of the special sales and flanging sales departments held an outing at the "Willows" recently. Games were enjoyed at Perc Oldham's home in Parkesburg following the outing.

Dorothy Fulmer, now of the New York office, came back to see what the old town looked like during her vacation.

Roy Widdoes passed a week at Ocean City.

Veryl John was an Ocean City visitor.

Ralph Pyle hibernated for a week at Red Point Beach, Md., and came back in first class condition.

Bill Riddle and family went native and adjourned to a cabin at nearby Lenape in good old Chester County, Pa.

## Electric Shop Buzzers.

Harry Rogers, bass fisherman extraordinary, claims he catches his share but gives them away before coming home.

Bertha Watkins can hardly wait until it is time to make the trip to New York City. Better wear smoked glasses on Broadway.

Luther Stoneback is busy

boosting the Republican cause. Or are we a little bit mixed up?

Joe Lovell—still giving political hi-lights or ready to discuss anything interesting.

Frank Hollingsworth reported a large catch of trout, using bent pins to snatch them.

Howard Baker is giving the boys the low down on the not far distant rabbit season.

Charley Jones, hard at it, keeping things in the best of order.

The heavenly twins, Sam Faddis and John Jones, in what appears to be an important conference.

## Gathered At The 84".

Harry Casey explaining his copyrighted map of Ethiopia to the shearmen, who are all ears on the subject. He also explains that the English Channel can be drained in ten hours.

Bill Acker is about the only man in the plant who can whistle up snapping turtles. He does this regularly, especially on fishing trips.

Jay Ranck was seen goose-stepping recently, believed to have been brought about by his recent sojourn at the R. O. T. C.

Ronald Detterline is quite the salesman. Especially with watermelons and cantaloupes involved.

Warren Wilkison keeps em guessing about the fish. He is one fisherman who doesn't say much.

## Among The Flangers.

Charley Diem losing his automobile. Tut. tut.

Mike Reymous backing Levin-sky. Still playing Santa Claus.

Dutch Daily's fish stories are a modern miracle. His catches would feed the multitudes.

Bill Mowery, well-known Father Coughlin fan, making stump speeches in his behalf.

Bill Neal wearing holes in Chestnut Street. Watch out Bill, you might slip.

Romeo Pisarto still backing Joe Louis. Wait till he fights Max Baer.

# IN MEMORIAM

## HARRY B. YOUNG

Harry B. Young—with Lukens Steel Company continuously since 1898, employed as a measurer in 84" mill. Died suddenly August 2nd.

## MRS. ELIZABETH CZERMOS

Mrs. Elizabeth Czermos—wife of John Czermos. Czermos is a laborer at the masonry department.

## MRS. JESSIE PETERSON

Mrs. Jessie Peterson—wife of Charles Peterson. Peterson is an operator of side shears at Universal Mill.

## MRS. JULIAN MATIZ

Mrs. Julian Matiz—wife of John Matiz. Matiz has been on the sick list for five years.

## B. FRANK MARSH

B. Frank Marsh—former Lukens employee who met death in an accident. One of the oldest members of the Wawassett Society.

## CHILDREN

Infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Burrell Tripp. The father is employed in the Sales Department.

Two year old child of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Allison. The father is employed at 84" mill.

Members of the Lukens' family join in extending condolences to the bereaved.

## MILL OFFICE NOTES

T. G. Watson, G. A. Cardwell, and Cliff Garrett either leaving for or returning from vacations spent in the New England States.

L. M. Curtiss returned August 26 from a two weeks' stay at Ocean City, N. J.

Bob Copeland and Ed Haldeman recently returned from vacations—All pepped up and ready to promise everyone anything.

Jack Pinkerton smiling—a new car in the garage.

Carl Newswanger turned detective—on the trail of a card dropper.

Bill Weller watching the mails from over Phoenix-way.

Recent fishing party from the Mill Office had a fine press agent. Paper reported 250 fish caught. The number actually ensnared by these fishermen was nearly fifty.

## CHATTERBOX

It's not Clyde Shaeffer at the miscellaneous repair anymore \*\*\* the boys call him Stonewall now and we wonder why \*\*\* Ed Peckett and Walt Miller, Sr., are wild-westerners at heart \*\*\* they were seen recently in their high-heeled shoes attending the cowboy caravan at Elverson \*\*\* Ed Spence is in the night owl class \*\*\* he says he can't bring himself around to sleeping after sundown \*\*\* Leroy G. Algiers, after losing his clothes, money and boat during a recent trip to Tangier Island, is ready to go back again \*\*\* he's going to take Yank Carson, Happy Russell, and Ed McBride along \*\*\* Julius Becker alleges Tulane will again have another great football team \*\*\* his friends only sigh and remark "remember Colgate" \*\*\* "Lish" McGuigan, Parkesburg's most popular playwright, has purchased a cucumber pump and an empty barrel to go with his new boat \*\*\* the pump is to bail out the water and the barrel to mark the spot where the ship goes down \*\*\* Charley Richards is a dyed-in-the-wool circus fan \*\*\* did you see him eating peanuts and drinking pink lemonade \*\*\* Dominic Valenti is a double asset to the West End Fire Company \*\*\* he holds down the truck and is an expert bell-ringer \*\*\* the Lukens Band has been making a big hit this summer \*\*\* their concerts are always the best \*\*\* we look for Max Baer, if he is in shape, to put the skids under Detroit's Joe Louis \*\*\* a knockout in eight rounds \*\*\* and the Detroit Tigers to make amends by winning the World Series \*\*\* also seen at the circus \*\*\* Frank Davis, time; Grant Davis, U. M.; Ike Johnson, O. H.; \*\*\* the personal feud between Bill Weller and Ben Griffith at the test room recently came to a head \*\*\* Ben settled the argument by umpiring a ball game and putting Bill down on strikes \*\*\* two persons were injured at the American Legion fair while Howard Pierce was on his way to collect that \$25 gate prize \*\*\* he previously knocked off a \$15 prize at a fair in Parkesburg \*\*\* Elmer Chambers is going into training at his new swimming pool \*\*\* he will eventually try to swim Kurtz's Dam \*\*\* Charley Warren is a good poker player \*\*\* he never loses \*\*\* Heine Conquest got rid of his baseball mustache \*\*\* nine on a side \*\*\* Buck Henry wants to know how that big loveable boy from Parkesburg

(E. M.) could give the nurse those tokens marked 600 B. C. \*\*\* Earl Forbes and Harry Sharp claim that Mullin, Ed. Peckett, etc., are afraid to meet their bunch on the ball field \*\*\* how about it, gents \*\*\*

### Lukens Men In Political Ring

Just when it appeared that no Lukens employees would enter the political arena to compete for local offices, three Lukenites stepped out and announced their ambitions towards the respective positions of mayor, comptroller, and council.

Pierce Zook, of the Open Hearth, just made the deadline for filing papers for the mayoralty campaign, in what was generally regarded as a surprise move. Zook is a Republican and appears to be the real "dark horse" in the race.

Max Steinwachs, mill office, has been conducting a busy campaign for the comptroller position, while Alonzo Murray, machine shop, is busy trying to clinch a council post. Both are Republicans.

### Jimmy Murray Hero; May Receive Medal

Jimmy Murray, superintendent at the machine shop, was recently the center of a thrilling episode at White Crystal Beach, Md., on the Chesapeake Bay, when he rescued a woman from drowning.

Murray will likely be honored in the near future by a medal which they say is being made at the carpenter shop. Nobody seems to know what the medal is like but everyone is awaiting the event with much interest.

Griest at the electric shop is pressing several prominent personages for pigeon-growing honors among the plant employees. Griest's squabs are reputed to be a rare table delicacy, comparable only to caviar.

The Lady: They say drinking shortens a man's life.

The Gent: Yes, but he sees twice as much in the same length of time.

"What's that I smell?" inquired the lady from the city, as she sniffed the country air.

"That's fertilizer," answered the farmer.

"For the land's sake!"

"Yes, ma'am."

### Gumdrops-Salt Tablets Stop Heat Exhaustion

Gumdrops and salt tablets are a sure-fire combination to fight off heat exhaustion in a steel mill during the summer, according to well-versed authorities

Hard work in hot weather uses energy rapidly. Since sugar is one of the chief sources of energy for the human body, a few gumdrops renew an exhausted man's supply of energy.

Besides water, the body loses salt during heavy perspiration. To offset this, Lukens has placed dispensers containing salt tablets near the drinking fountains. The tablets, about the size of an aspirin are taken three or four times a day. The water temperature should be about 48 degrees Fahrenheit, for water which is much colder may be injurious. Tests have been made here recently of the temperatures at all of the fountains to see that they conform to this standard.

So if you feel exhausted, eat a gumdrop. If you're just hot—have a salt tablet and if anyone calls you a sissy—use your own judgment.

Girl (to one-armed driver): "For goodness' sake, use two hands."

Driver: "Can't. Gotta drive with one."

Dr.: "I can't cure your husband of talking in his sleep."

Wife: "But can't you give him something to make him talk more distinctly?"

A Scotchman was found dead in the Pennsylvania Station, hanging on to one of those machines where, if you pull hard enough, you get your penny back.

She: Do you know any stories?

He: Not of the parlor nature.

She: Then let's go out in the kitchen.

"My daughter, sir, sitting on your lap! What's the explanation?"

"I got here early sir, before the others!"

"I want a pair of stockings."

"For your wife, or shall I show you something better?"

Office Mgr.—"I think you should show a little more discretion in dressing."

New Girl—"Oh my!" Ain't youse guys ever satisfied?"

Help prevent waste in plant.

## Golf Tournament Draws Field of 42

### Many Prizes Distributed

Forty-two employees participated in the Sixth Annual Lukens' Golf Tournament, held at the Coatesville Country Club, and which proved to be a success from every standpoint.

Handicap rules prevailed throughout the day's play and served to even up all of the divisions so that every contestant had a fair chance to win a prize.

R. J. Whiting, Lukenweld superintendent, was the winner in Class A with a net score of 63. He was awarded a jacket for his efforts.

In Class B, William G. Humpton won a clock by turning in a net card of 66. Bob Minker and Frank Carson tied up at 73 all in the C division but Frank won the toss-up and got the prize, a clock.

Class D honors went to Herman Hofmann with the creditable effort of a 74, all of which was good for one lighter.

Fred Wiese and R. J. Whiting were deadlocked for low gross score for the tournament with 80 strokes each for the course. As Whiting won in Class A, the prize of a comb and brush set was turned over to Wiese.

Art Kirk proved the steadiest man on the greens. He required the least number of puts, 29, of any player in the tournament. For this he was awarded a leather case with two decks of cards.

Last but not least was Ed Charlton's 147 card, which just topped George Gillen's 146 total, and gave Ed the high gross score (otherwise the booby prize) of an ash tray and cigarette lighter.

The Kickers' Handicap, for scores between 75 and 85, ended in a tie between Emory Bachman and C. H. Brown. The number pulled after the round was over was 76, which corresponded with these two players' totals. Bachman then made the mistake of cutting cards for the prize of a first aid kit and finished up second best. Brown cut the ace of spades and Bachman the three of diamonds.

The gross scores of all those taking part in the tournament were as follows: William Busch, 103; H. B. Spackman, 101; R. W. Moffett, 97; G. D. Spackman, 92; A. J. Kirk, 84; J. W. Herman, 93; Frank Carson, 99; George Cardwell, 92; Raymond Dennis, 133; Roland Edgar, 117; Herman Hofmann, 114; Charles Strode, 105; P. C. Haldeman, 103; Emory Bachman, 86; C. H. Brown, 94; Tom Watson, 101; R. Bunting, 121; H. M. Ludwick, 105; George Stradling, 93; Ed. Charlton, 147; Burrell Tripp, 93; Herb Ottey, 104; W. Schulte, 124; William Simpson, 107; J. G. Althouse, 115; Robert Minker, 108; William Butler, 95; Robert Bloom, 98; Walter Burr, 121; Collins Haldeman, 91; George Gillen, 146; J. Walters, 99; W. A. Hauck, 98; J. H. McElhinney, 89; R. J. Whiting, 80; D. S. Wolcott, 112; George Thomas, 118; William G. Humpton, 84; P. T. Oldham, 112; J. F. Wiese, 80; W. E. Barnes, 109, and Dr. Hill, 122.

The committee for arranging the tournament consisted of P. T. Oldham and W. G. Humpton. The prizes were made possible by donations made by company officials.

Safety always pays dividends.

## Here And There

Harry Pyle returned to work this week at the 140" loading bank after an enforced absence of fifteen months due to injuries received in an accident at that place last May. Harry was warmly welcomed by his fellow employees upon his return.

Thirty Lukens' men who enrolled last year are expected to be on hand for the organization meeting of the Metallurgical Class, sponsored jointly by the Y. M. C. A. and Penn State College, to be held next Thursday evening, September 5th, at 7:30 P. M. at the Y. M. C. A.

Dorothy Pearson, billing department, has forsaken her Chevrolet for the wiles of a new Ford, said Ford now taking care of her transportation over the country roads

## By-Products Nine Heads League

### Assured of Tie For Flag

To all intents and purposes the By-Products baseball team has clinched the championship of the Inter-Plant League by virtue of their brilliant play during the past few weeks which at present gives them a rating of five wins and no losses for a two game lead over their nearest opponents, the Metallurgical nine.

In the event that the west siders would drop both of their remaining games with Lukenweld and the Plate Mills, an extremely remote possibility, they would get no worse than a tie for the pennant even if the Metallurgical defeats Lukenweld in their only remaining game.

The By-Products team gained the inside track on the championship by knocking off both Metallurgical (16-3) and the Service (5-1) in crucial games. Their victories in each instance were clean cut with no room left for doubt.

The Plate Mills and Mechanical teams seem to have lost interest in the race and have not turned out for their past few games. This means that the By-Products would get a forfeit from the Plate Mills and automatically win the league if Plate Mills is not on hand for that particular game.

Members of the By-Products team who have been prominent in the outstanding success of that aggregation include: "Bob" Thomas and Welch, pitchers; Frick Reczek, catcher; Brownie Reczek, Clyde Pierce, Mike Hudock, and Charley Mast, infielders; and Dick Slider, Minor Chambers, Zappacosta, and Saalbach in the outfield. Tom Parker is manager of the scrappy bunch and Rudisill is the number one "rooter."

The league leading slugger, according to unofficial averages, is Tom McCorkle, captain of the Metallurgists, who has belted the horsehide for better than .700 in the five games in which he has taken part.

With a season's valuable experience to their credit, many of the managers and captains are already talking of next season when an earlier start will be made and two halves contested. Stricter rules will also be adhered to next year.

Much credit for the success of the

league this season goes to Bob Simes, hard-working president, who has contributed unstintingly of his spare time to keep things in the best of order. He is to be congratulated for his efforts.

## Plant Team Has Chance At Title

Although still very much in the running for the second half championship of the Twilight League, any slip on the part of the Lukens team will now be fatal.

The Lukenites have four wins and two losses and must take the measure of the leading Caln team in their next game or drop out of the running.

These two teams, Lukens and Caln, played a thrilling 1-1 game last week, both runs crossing the plate on errors. The encore should draw a capacity crowd.

If Lukens should defeat Caln and then win from the Ukrainians it would be possible to win the second half and get into a play-off against Cohen Brothers, first half champions. At any rate they need all the support they can get and it is up to the employees to back them up.

### Seen At The Circus.

Louis Irwin explaining to Dorothy Pyle, "No, an elephant does not carry his clothes in his trunk."

Bea Miller refusing to give any of her peanuts to the elephants because she felt certain that she liked them better herself.

Mrs. F. H. Gordon, minus her husband, who was reported doing very nicely on the front porch at home.

Harold Kinsey watching the side-show performers and enjoying it immensely.

Pete Haldeman telling his little boy Ed all about the monkeys.

Fred Manson and his son engaging in an argument with the keeper of the monkeys. Wonder what they were saying?

Dick and Percy Copeland and families having a grand time. From all appearances the fathers got more of a kick out of the show than the kids.

Ralph Bernard, acting very pleased or should we say delighted, due to the fact that the uncertain seats gave him a chance to be very protective.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Richards enjoying the proceedings, hard seats notwithstanding.

Warren Reese heading for the main entrance in a hurry, ten minutes late.

And we just imagined:  
Charley Richards as the lion tamer.  
Ray (Beano) Strouse as the leader of the band.  
Franklin Harrison as the owner.  
Ray Dennis as the barker.

Among others present were: Charles Daller and friend, Helen Griffith, Mary Bassett, Jake Berkiehiser, Ruth Rose, Helen Doane, Ray Connaby, John Harley, George Eshleman, Ted Johnson, Pauline Breuninger, Marian Meyers, Mary Root, Temple Diem, Ed Rubincam, Chic Wagner and Mark Rietz.