

Bowling Banquet Climax To A Successful Season

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for Al Montville, a badge for Paul Plaut, a pair of shoes for Mildred Carpenter, a special set of bowling balls for Bruce Reynolds and a pillow for Frances Orr.

The next speaker was Paul Plaut who told a very interesting story about his experiences as a bowling captain. Buck Best of the Activities Committee then provided some fun for the bowlers by giving a humorous account of the Bennett and Eversman projects in the making. Following Mr. Best's talk, the toastmaster introduced the principle speaker of the evening, R. F. Bennett, Ecusta's general superintendent. Mr. Bennett highly commended the bowlers on their good season and pointed out the many values derived from such an activity. He told of the many benefits to each and every employee, as well as to the company, that are gained by having such activities as bowling, baseball, softball or some other activity in which any and all Ecustans could take part in if they wished. Mr. Bennett stated that in many instances we did not like food we had never tasted; however, upon tasting the food we found to our pleasant surprise that we did like it. Likewise in regard to other people, frequently we have decided ahead of time that we did not like someone whom we didn't know, and then later when we met this person at the bowling alleys or on the baseball field or at an Ecusta party, we discovered to our amazement that after all he was a really nice person and that his wife and kids were nice too, and that he liked many of the things we did and, in fact, he was a real fellow and we were benefited a great deal by being able to be associated with him.

Continuing, Mr. Bennett stated that "the most important thing that can be said for sports and recreation is that they are the greatest levelers of persons there are. Everyone who takes part in sports is on the same level as everyone else. It makes no difference whether a person is a laborer, a skilled craftsman, a foreman, or superintendent or what have you; that person is John Jones or Mary Smith at the bowling alleys, on the ballfield or at any sports arena. And this is as it should be. It is the American way of life at its best. Anything that helps to prevent class distinction is good for all of us. There is no room for class distinction in this country and most assuredly not at Ecusta. After concluding his talk, Mr. Bennett then read a message of greeting to the bowlers from Mr. Straus. In his message, Mr. Straus expressed his pleasure over the successful bowling season and congratulated the bowlers for their good sportsmanship. Mr. Straus referred to bowling as the oldest sport in our recreation program. "Indeed," he stated, "it is Ecusta's major sport. Each season has been better than the last, and as long as bowling continues to attract and entertain so many of you, I promise you shall have it." Mr. Straus expressed his regrets at not being able to attend any of the season's bowling meets owing to the rush of business, but said that next year he hoped not only to attend some of the matches, but to take part in them. Continuing, "here at Ecusta the employees arrange our sports and recreation policy among themselves. We try to give you just exactly what you want, and the more interest you show the harder the Recreation department,

RUFUS BLACKWELL KILLED IN CRASH

Rufus Hunter Blackwell, Jr., 48, aviation chief machinist's mate, USNR, husband of Mrs. Lena Butler Blackwell, of Asheville, was killed in a plane crash Wednesday, April 12, near Oak Harbor, Washington. He worked here, an employee of Fiske Carter Construction Co., a little over a year before entering the service and has many friends here.

the Activities Committee and your team captains will work to plan things for you. It gives me great personal pleasure to see you play well together, particularly since I know that it will add pleasure and satisfaction to your work together." In concluding, he stated, "Please accept my personal thanks—you who arranged and managed the league and all of you who participated—for a great season."

Next on the program was the awarding of the trophies and they were presented to the following bowlers:

In the Ecusta Women's Duck Pin league, Lou Lockman, high average, Ann Morris, second high average and Mary Alice Merrill, third high average. Margaret Collins, high game and Lou Lockman, high set.

In the Ecusta Men's Ten Pin league, Bruce Reynolds, high average, Paul Simpson, second high average and Bob Kappers, third high average. Paul Simpson also won high game and high set.

In the Women's League improvement medals went to: Eleanor Spain Hayes, Control team; Mildred Carpenter, Office team; Helen Russell, Finishing team; Glen Allender, Endless Belt team; Lou Lockman, Champagne Stars and Charlotte Cox for the Pin Setters Delight.

In the Men's league, Howard Schmidt, Office team; Chris Rogers, Champagne team; Gilbert Coan, Machine Room team; Bud White, Refiner Room team; Robert Head, Control team and Bruce Reynolds for the Maintenance team.

In the post season tournaments for the Men's doubles, first place to Al Montville and Bud White, second place to Jim Poteet and L. E. Callender and third place to Jack Rhodes and Gilbert Coan. Singles, first place, Jack Rhodes, second place, Howard Schmidt, third place, Joe Lavell and fourth place Harry Golderer. Clinton Greene won first place in the "all event" with Jack Rhodes placing second.

In the Women's league, first prize for doubles went to Mildred Carpenter and Margaret Collins, second place to Glen Allender and Nell Gallamore and third place to Charlotte Cox and Maymie Reynolds. For singles, first place to Glen Allender, second place to Mary Sue Thorne, and Violet Wilber and Lucy Clarke tied for third place. Glen Allender won the "all event."

Following the awarding of the individual prizes, the winning teams were presented trophies with the Champagne Stars carrying first honors in the Women's league. Finishing won the second place trophy and Endless Belt third place.

In the Men's league, Maintenance won the first trophy. Machine Room was second and Champagne third.

The concluding feature of the evening was a bingo game in which everyone took part.

WHO'S WHO

—BY STAFF WRITERS—

F. S. BEST



F. S. "BUCK" BEST, assistant to the President and member of the Activities Committee, came to us two years ago this month from Reynolds and Company, Investment Banking House, N. Y. After his graduation from Duke University, 1930, in Business Administration, he became connected with Reynolds and was with them twelve years prior to his employment here. He was born and received his early education at Dunn, N. C.

"Buck" says he likes softball—he even went far enough to play in one of the games last year; but when he got his finger broken, he decided that he really got enough exercise in his Victory Garden anyway.

He is active in the civic life of Brevard, being vice-president of the Brevard Kiwanis club, a member of the Board of Stewards in the Methodist church and also a member of the Board of Trustees of the Transylvania hospital. "Buck" is musical too; he leads the singing in the Methodist Sunday school, and played the clarinet in the band. He is married, has two boys, and lives in Brevard.

Ecustans Will Play At Moore General

On Thursday afternoon, May 11, a group of Ecustans will go to Moore General Hospital to give a program for the convalescent soldiers. Included in the group will be the Mountain Music Makers, Rhett Talley, Rupert Gordon, Lucille Heffner, Carl Patterson and Blaine Emory, Raymond F. Bennett, John Eversman and Mary Glass.

The Mountain Music Makers will give a program of familiar mountain musical numbers. Mr. Bennett will give a short talk on cigarette paper and Mr. Eversman, accompanied by Mary Glass, will play a group of violin solos.

HIS MORALE IS TOPS

S-Sgt. John McCall writes from somewhere in England: ". . . I'm making out splendidly and my morale is tops. These 'Blimeys' are swell people, and England isn't bad after all . . . I sure miss the folks back home and the guys about the plant . . ."

MRS. G. E. JACKSON



MRS. G. E. "JONNIE" JACKSON, attractive member of the Personnel Office force, was born and went to school in Union, S. C., and is a graduate of Draughton's Business college, Columbia, S. C. Although she isn't quite 24 yet, she has worked for six years—having worked with the Lane Drug company of Columbia, S. C., and Columbus, Ga., as cashier and general officer worker, and with the U. S. Signal corps in Arlington, Va., for six months doing clerical work. She came to Ecusta's Personnel Office in October of 1943. Her hobbies are horseback riding, dancing, knitting and, we bet, writing letters overseas. (Her husband is in England.) Jonnie lives in Hendersonville.

LAURA PHARR



LAURA "TOOT" PHARR, who lives in Rosman, has been with the company five years in July. She was born and went to school in Rosman. She has the distinction of being the fastest inserter in Hand Booklet. She is always ready to make that extra tray or two when a rush shipment has to be made. "Toot" is an attractive girl with blue eyes, likes to dance, swim and play basketball. She was a member of the Ecusta basketball team the past season.