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# THE BANGOR HYDRO - NEWS - ELECTRIC

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ELECTRICIANS. METER DEPARTMENT. AND WAREHOUSE NUMBER.



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## THINGS HEARD

And Said  
And Done  
Around The  
Office

By P. A. M.



## KELVIN HOMES

As your May issue goes to press the latest report on the Kelvin Homes indicates that the #1 house is bricked in, the insulation being placed and the carpenters moving into the interior for the finish work. The #2 house is about ready to be bricked in. All of which makes us believe in signs particularly Mr. Webster's outdoor sign on Royal Road that says "Ready for inspection about July 1st."

## ANOTHER SALES MEETING

A few guests from the main office attended the Sales Meeting and dinner at the Country Club and heard the Kelvinator officials outline their latest sales product and advertising stories. A feature of the meeting was a talk direct from Detroit, by phone and loudspeaker, from Marv Bandoli, Domestic Sales Manager.

## CONSTRUCTION

Many of our Division employees are seeing evidence of our 1937 construction work. Cosseboom and his crews are busy at Northeast Harbor on his new 33,000 volt line to give added capacity to the Northeast-Seal Harbor area, and Coffin has his electrical men making the substation ready. Brown has completed the tie line job that gives temporary service to the City while repairs are being made at the Water Works by the City of Bangor.

## A GOOD RECORD GONE BAD

Last Monday noon our Railway Safety record went bad when car operator, Edson Bartlett in some manner, apparently unknown even to Edson, fell down, all by himself, in his street car. Super-

intendent Johnson and Safety Director Dearborn have studied all of the rules and regulations governing safety contests and reluctantly they conclude that charged to the Railway Department must be this first 1937 lost time accident.

## MRS. STARR IN BELFAST HOSPITAL

We regret that Mrs. Starr is confined to the Belfast Hospital as a result of a fall at her home in Bangor. All of us are pleased with Mr. Starr's report that her condition is not as serious as the first report. We are all looking forward to her speedy recovery.

## WHO SOLD HOW MANY?

We are noting here the number of KWH sold in the different divisions during the period from January to date as compared with the number of KWH sold during the same period last year.

DIVISION	1937	1936
Orono	365	340 25 Inc.
Bangor	272	244 28 "
Millinocket	246	227 19 "
Bar Harbor	243	232 11 "
Old Town	174	165 9 "
Ellsworth	154	141 13 "
Machias	151	145 6 "
Lincoln	146	138 8 "
Eastport	137	169 32 Dec.
Harrington	111	104 7 Inc.
Company	226	208 18 Inc.

## THE TRAILER STARTS TRAILING

Boldly heralding the Spring Cooking Schools, our new merchandise trailer has started its round of the stores well equipped with the things that cut the cost of better living and incidentally add KWH to Division Manager's totals. Mr. Torrey is operating the display and promises to expose all of these fine equipments to large numbers of our outside customers.

## NEW LOW RATES

At the Country Club Sales Meeting, Mr. Graham announced that our domestic rate had been reduced so that all KWH over 300 are

to be at 1¢. Previously our rate had been 2¢ from 65 to 600 and now it becomes 2¢ from 65 to 300 and 1¢ for all over 300. He also announced substantial reductions in the seasonal rate.

## METER TESTING PROGRESS

Noted from Mr. Webster's bulletin is the meter testing progress. Lincoln tops the list by being well ahead of quota. Millinocket, Old Town, Ellsworth and Eastport have only a small number to complete while the Machias-Harrington testing equipment and the Bar Harbor test standard appear to be in for a busy 60 days to complete their year's requirements.

## SECOND FLOOR NEWS ITEMS

By General Files.

Your Editor recently received a letter from Earl C. Craig, who was formerly an employee in the Accounting Department of the General Offices, in which he expressed his appreciation for being kept on the mailing list of the Bangor Hydro-Electric News. He stated that he very much enjoyed reading its pages, particularly of people that he worked with in the Hydro. He also congratulated the News on its special edition which featured the Quarter Century Club, and sent his regards to all his friends in the organization.

Mrs. Buker left Bangor Friday, May 21st, on her vacation which she will spend in Hartford, Connecticut, and Boston.

Miss Prescott, of the Legal Department, recently returned after a weeks' vacation which she spent moving into her new home on Wiley Street in Bangor.

We have noticed two new faces recently in passing through the Accounting Department on the third floor of the General Office, Miss Mildred Willard, who is with the Light Bookkeepers, and Mr. Vance Springer, with the Meter Readers.



## ELECTRICIANS.



Frank E. Littlefield

Merritt A. Lancaster

Reading, From Left To Right: Samuel J. Marsh Alton C. Grant Edward S. Ching Elwood S. Nelson Aubrey W. Jenkins William C. Harper

Carl F. Smith

Lewis A. Goding

Allen L. Sawyer

WILLIAM C. HARPER, Chief Electrician, (Bill to you), is the gentleman standing on the right with the gold-bowed spectacles and the intellectual forehead. Bill is the boss of the Electricians Crew, our No. 1 electrical expert, and radio specialist extraordinary.

Bill's electrical career commenced at the University of Maine where he was both class-mate and room-mate with our former associate, Arthur L. Davis. The coming of the war broke rudely into Bill's university course and took him to France as an Electrical Sergeant in the Coast Artillery.

After two years operating experience in one of the Deerfield River stations of the New England Power Company, Bill came into the Bangor Hydro-Electric Company organization a little more than 16 years ago and has seen continuous

service with the electrical crew ever since that time. At one time or another, he has had a hand in building or rebuilding the electrical equipment of nearly every power plant and substation that the Company owns. Whenever the engineers or the Operating Department get in a jam, they generally call on Bill.

AUBREY W. JUNKINS: Standing next to Bill Harper, not only in the picture but also in the Electrical Crew, is Aubrey Jenkins, Electricians Foreman, of Masardis and Chicago. His biographer will always remember one classic remark from Aubrey: "Well, I've got to begin at the bottom sometime and it might as well be now".

A graduate of the Coyne Electrical School, and a capable foreman, Aubrey has come a long way

since that first interview. He has been in on the business end of the major electrical construction and emergency work during the ten years he has been with the Company and he is now in the field in charge of a crew, making extensive changes to the Northeast Harbor and Bar Harbor Substations.

Last year he went in for the Soap Box Derby in a big way, furnishing technical advice for his son, who reached the finals in that classic sporting event.

ELWOOD S. NELSON - "Pop" to his friends, is one of the old-timers with nearly 12 years service. A former marine engineer, with experience in steam boiler operation, as well as electricity, "Pop" has served through the Com- (Opposite Page)





#### POP NELSON BOAT BUILDER

The above pictures are of "Pop" moving a nice new 14 foot boat out through the attic window of his home in Brewer. Just to show you what a good mechanic can do, he figured on just being able to get the boat out by removing the window frame. The deed was done without the aid of a shoe-horn.

pany's major construction period, beginning with the Washington County job in 1925-26. He has lately been detailed on a special job of service entrance installation.

He lives in Brewer.

MERRITT A. LANCASTER joined the Hydro organization as a carpenter when the new switching structures were being installed at Veazie. He then graduated to the Electricians' Crew, in which capacity he claims to have seen a large portion of the Great Northeastern Empire, from the rear end of a Bangor Hydro-Electric Company truck. Some place, in the course of his travels, he earned from his fellow electricians, the

nickname of "Toar".

At present he is on a special assignment as Building Inspector in connection with the Company's recent venture into the building of Kelvin homes.

EDWARD S. CHING is the proprietor of the genial smile in the center of the electricians' group. He brings the smile with him regularly when he comes to work in the morning. How the man can smile, after leaving Honolulu for New England, is hard to understand.

On the way East, Ching acquired an excellent electrical education in Kansas City and Chicago and is putting it to practical use on transformer testing and repair.

FRANK E. LITTLEFIELD - Ben Hur himself, the man who rides the chariot otherwise known as the Rogers Trailer, through fair weather and foul. When he is not charioting, Littlefield runs the Electrical Shop, gets out stock for the crew, and handles

the time and the maintenance records.

He is a suburbanite who has to keep a sharp eye on his watch on the Hampden car line schedule.

SAMUEL J. MARSH: Sam is the Company's ace cable splicer and expert on plumbing and lead work. A period of training with C. H. Babb & Company has proved extremely useful along this line.

Sam has also been a student of geography - from the rear end of the Hydro truck - and is an authority on the quality of cooking from Little Falls to East Millinocket.

ALTON C. GRANT: A former sawmill operator, Alton Grant came with the Company during the construction of Stanford Station where he looked after the electrical equipment for the construction crew. Later transferring to Bill Harper's electrical crew, he had been given charge of the maintenance of the waterwheel governors  
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## METER DEPARTMENT GROUP



Reading From Left To Right: Fullerton Morgan Elmer E Cole Thomas Lawrence Albert C Nason Myrle Joslin Daniel Freeman

at the station. He has taken special instruction at the Woodward Governor Company's factory in Rockford, Illinois, and is quite familiar with what makes a governor tick.

LEWIS A. GODING is Truck Driver and general utility man for the Electrical Crew. During the 8 years that he has been in the Company's employ, he has been one of the old reliables who do their work quietly and leave few openings for your biographer to shoot at.

ALLEN L. SAWYER: The only man in the crew with his hat on. Must be afraid of getting the sun in his eyes or else getting a sunstroke from the photographers flash-light.

Besides the routine work of the Electrical Crew, Allen works in as spare operator at Park Street Substation, and as emergency operator at the Portable Railway Substation. For some unknown reason, Old Man Trouble seems to make a special point of picking out Allen's shift.

CARL F. SMITH was with us before as a member of Danny Webster's roving crew when the substations were built at Harrington, Lang's Quarry, and Jonesport. He has just returned to the crew, and as will be noted, he sports the only white shirt in evidence. Just wait a while- what a beating that shirt is going to take!

ELMER W. COLE, as you will note from the Meter Department Group,

is still playing father to the boys. A veteran of 34 years service, Elmer was connected with the Hydro organization long before there was any Bangor Hydro-Electric Company. His electrical career has taken him all the way from the old generator plant of the Penobscot Central Railroad at Kenduskeag to the Waterside Station of the New York Edison Company. Through the early development stages of the Bangor Railway & Electric Company, and the later consolidation into the Bangor Hydro-Electric Company, Elmer was Chief Electrician. Later Elmer became Superintendent of the Meter Department, in which capacity he is responsible for the installation and testing of the thirty odd thousand meters through which our customers are served. In addition, he is in  
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charge of First Aid Instruction of the Company's employees.

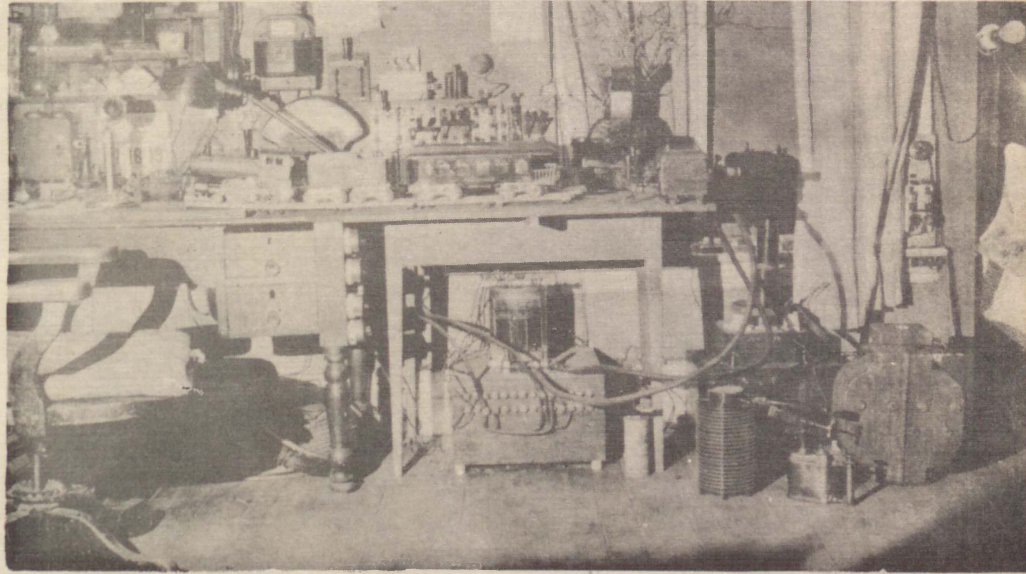
MYRLE T. JOSLIN, polyphase meter tester, joined the Navy in his early career and saw the world through a port-hole. Now he has come back to earth, served a few years in the Electricians' Crew, settled down and become a family man. He still has his sense of humor.

DANNY FREEMAN may be Daniel to his mother, but he'll always be Danny to us. He started reading meters for the Company in his tender youth, but not being satisfied with what he could see from the outside, he has stepped up into the Meter Department and now knows his meters from the inside out. He could probably tell you a lot about plain and fancy methods used by some of our best customers to beat the Company.

ALBERT C. NASON started work for this Company September 26, 1922 in the Line Department. After this Company has sold many radio sets over this territory, it was deemed advisable to have a full time radio man cover complaints, which Albert did up until a short time ago. He is now with the Meter Department, installing and testing meters. The writer of this article has seen Mr. Nason perform slight-of-hand tricks, in fact, he is very good at it and appears at many social functions each year as an entertainer.

GEORGE TUPPER our General Store keeper came to work for the Company as Asst. Purchasing Agent in 1923 which position he held until the summer of 1936 when he was on the job of the rebuilding of Howland Dam. When he finished at Howland he was appointed General Storekeeper when Mr. Blake was transferred to the General Office

ROSS BULLARD worked at the Car House in the shop as repair man and then in the stockroom under John Morrill. From there he went to the General Office as Stockbookkeeper. When the new Service Building was built in 1929 he



THE ROOM OF WILLIAM HARPER AND ARTHUR DAVIS AT THE U. of M.

moved his office down there and has been there ever since. If anyone wants to know how and where to get the best fish, he is the one to see.

HENRY RYDER came to work for the Company as Freight Clerk at the Front Street Freight Office in January 1918. He left to join the Army in August and was away until December of the same year. In 1921 he was appointed Freight Agent which position he had until the Charleston Freight was discontinued in 1931. He has the position of Time Keeper and Clerk for the crew removing the Charleston Line and then operator of the PBX Board at the General Office until December 1935 when he came to the Service Building as stock Clerk. Henry is a great baseball fan and of course a smoker of Kentucky Club.

ORRIN BERRY started with the Company as Stock Clerk under John Morrill at the Car House in Dec. 1926. He was transferred to the Service Building when it was built and has been keeping things moving here ever since except for a short time that he was Freight Clerk under Henry Ryder, at the Front Street Freight Office. He is a great lover of hunting dogs and will never be happy until he has a dog kennel of his own and all the dogs he can get.

HARRY GREELEY came to work in the track crew under James Lacey in 1926. When the stock department bought a truck he was made driver and ever since has been kept busy traveling all over the system supplying all our departments with the stock they have to have as quickly as he can get it to them. Now he can drive over most of this section of the State with eyes closed. Harry's greatest trouble is trying to decide which department he really works for, as they all seem to have something for him to do most of the time.

JOSEPH CASPER started with the Company in the track department under Dennis Cullinan in 1907. He then worked at the car house under Harry Sanborn from 1908 to 1929 when he became janitor at the Service Building. Since then he has been kept busy most of the time making the place shine like a silver dollar. Joe is a great gardener and raises some of the best vegetables around these parts. He is also a great grafter of trees and can produce some of the nicest apple trees one could desire.

WYATT SPENCER started his Company career in the Line Crew in Sept. 1927. He came to work at the Service Building as Stock Clerk in Sept. 1935, where he has been employed ever since.



## WAREHOUSE GROUP



Reading From Left To Right: Back Row Franklin Foster Wyatt Spencer Ross Bullard Harry Greeley  
Front Row Henry Ryder Joseph Casper George Tupper Orrin Berry

FRANKLYN FOSTER came to work for the Company in May 1927 as Clerk for John Morrill at the Car House Stockroom. He came to the Service Building when it was built in the same capacity, but later went into the Stockroom office as assistant to Ross Bullard. Foster spends most of his spare time trying to write an item for the Hydro News each month.

#### STOCKROOM NEWS SERVICE BUILDING

by F. H. Foster.

The month of May is with us again and with her she has brought some real old New England spring weather. We are now hearing a great deal about what to do and what not to do in order to

catch the biggest and best fish. Mr. Tupper and Mr. Bullard report nice catches at Beach Hill Pond and Green Lake.

Henry Perkins dropped in to see us recently and told us some interesting stories about his winter spent in the South. We were all pleased to welcome back Milton Vose who is now Landers, Frary & Clark's representative in this district. Best of luck Milton in your new position and you can depend on the Stock Department to work with you at all times. We understand that Milton has become quite a Church man since his return to these parts.

Attended the Relief Association meeting last month and enjoyed it very much. Want to take this opportunity to urge others to make an attempt to attend these meetings. Will say that they are very interesting and by attending

one can better appreciate the good work that is being done.

Just received another carload of Kelvinators and at the present the Stockroom floor space is about all used up but Ryder claims that there is always room for one more carload.

It has been hinted that Berry aspires to the position of cook on the new kitchen trailer. We all wonder if he can really cook.

#### A SAFETY THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

When driving along the streets, watch out for playing children. They do not realize their danger. You should. Remember there is no excuse for an accident. They are all preventable.

"S. B. S. Signing Off".



## METER DEPARTMENT NEWS

Elmer Cole.

At last we shine with fresh paint, all except the floor is now done. We have moved everything around and seem to have much more room.

The summer rush has arrived and it now takes nearly the whole time of a second man for sets, seals, and disconnects.

We have some large seasonal customers at Bar Harbor that we plan to change to transformer metering to facilitate meter testing.

Signs of metering work is a carnival moving into town now.

We have installed our permanent metering at the Nurse's Home at State Hospital.

## CAR BARN NEWS

by H. G. White.

Our recent contribution for Mr. C. A. Brown in his recent bereavement, was more than appreciated and he would like to express thanks for his family and himself to us through our paper.

## ATTENTION

Mr. Ellis and Mr. Charles Brown have made a contribution to the out-of-doors fans by hitting upon a new sport - "Fly-casting for Feather-Flying Fish". Simply ask for information in regard to their recent exhibition of stunt-flying at Branch Pond.

## EASTPORT DIVISION NEWS

J. Cassidy

A bit of prosperity has started in Eastport with the opening of the sardine season. We have connected 311 H.P. in motors, which will make a substantial increase in our earnings for May.

Our commercial sales have begun to better themselves, especially in Refrigerator sales. The early interest in refrigerators is probably due to the unusually warm weather we are enjoying. We hope that the coming cooking school will help to stimulate interest in Rang.

We are sorry that we have had few visitors during the past month. However, Mr. Logan and Mr. Roop, after the recent Manager-

Salesmen's meeting, reported that all of our "Bangor" friends were well and happy.

Our orgy of spring housecleaning is over and we are proud of our newly varnished desks that "look like new".

We were glad to cooperate with the City Garden Club in their cleanup campaign, by cleaning up the lands and property owned by the Company.

## ELECTRICAL DEPARTMENT NEWS

By W.C. Harper.

Our summers' work has started with a change over at Northeast Harbor in preparation for the rebuilding of the 11 Kv substation. The new substation will be fed from a tap off the 33 Kv. line from Ellsworth to Bar Harbor, and this distribution will be at 4000 Y volts for Northeast Harbor and Seal Harbor. The substation at Seal Harbor will be discontinued and removed.

We also have ahead of us, numerous changes in transformers and regulators between stations on Mt. Desert Island and Machias, Whiting, Pembroke, and Eastport. East Franklin and South Brewer will also receive our attention later on.

Just had word that the transformers for the substation at the Water Works have arrived so, in a few days, the City of Bangor will be taking all their power from our lines.

The pigeons and crows have been looking over our garden lately, but we fooled them - we haven't planted it yet.

## ELLSWORTH DIVISION NEWS

By Florence Davis.

Work has started on the new Cape Rosier extension. Blaine Holmes, Clarence Hatt, James Wood and Eugene Moore are the Linemen working on the job and are staying in Brooksville at the present time.

Raymond Spillane, Meter Reader and Collector, who was operated on for appendicitis two weeks ago is getting along fine and expects to be back to work within a short time.

There have been many reconnections of summer services so far this spring which evidence a busy

summer.

## FIRST AID DEPARTMENT

Elmer Cole.

There comes a time when we wish the sun wasn't so hot so lets take time by the forelocks and anoint well with olive oil before we go out into the open and avoid a severe sunburn. If we should get careless, Obtundia Cream is a grateful relief, also Kip or Pyrol.

Lets remember to avoid STRAINS by using our knees to lift with as nature intended.

It might be well to practice up on your ankle bandage or ski hitch - just in case. Sprained ankles do happen on outings, week-ends, etc.

## NATIONAL FIRST AID WEEK

Hall C. Dearban

Safety Director

"National First Aid Week" has been announced for the week of May 16 to May 22, by the National Association of Retail Druggists.

We are, of course, interested in this movement, particularly because it fits into our Safety Program.

Attention is called during this week to the conditions of our First Aid kits, which it is our intention to keep always well stocked and in good condition. In cooperation with this general movement, we should take special pains to see that our equipment is complete and our stock of supplies adequate for any occasion, and we can extend our care during this week by looking over the medicine cabinets at home, which, as is well known, are frequently allowed to fill up with a lot of useless supplies. Why not look over that private cabinet, as well as your regular kits, and see that they are all supplied with useful articles such as sterile bandages, absorbent cotton, and other First Aid materials which are always quite necessary in the home as well as in the field.

During this week we can not only check up on our supplies, but it might be well to check up on our knowledge of First Aid.



### ELECTRICAL APPLIANCE DISPLAY TRAILER NOW ON THE ROAD

The new Traveling Display of Electrical Appliances (Trailer to you) answers the biggest problem in selling. If your prospect cannot come to you, hop into the Trailer and take your merchandise to him. Its first active duty will be to accompany our annual Cooking Schools to all divisions generally announcing and promoting these important housewife gatherings. The Traveling Display has about 17' x 6' floor space and will carry at all times a representative line of electric ranges, electric water heaters, electric dishwashers and disposal units, electric refrigerators washers, ironers, radios and small appliances. The Trailer may be moved directly into customer's own back yard, electric cables connected to power circuit and actual demonstration of any piece of equipment be put on. Operation, economy and electric current consumption stories become facts before prospects own eyes.

Plan to inspect the Trailer when it is in your neighborhood.

### UNIVERSAL-KELVINATOR COOKING SCHOOL

The high lights of this month in our Commercial Department are the cooking schools being held in each division. We have with us again this year, Miss Dorothy Covert from the Kelvin Kitchen, who will demonstrate the newest methods and short-cuts in order to use to better advantage the Kelvinator refrigerator. We all remember Miss Covert from the cooking schools which she so successfully took part in last year. From Landers, Frary & Clark this year we have a new-comer, Miss Marguerite Skoken, to demonstrate to us the Universal electric range. Miss Skoken and Miss Covert come to us with a nation-wide experience in food preparation, backed by long laboratory research in the famous Universal and Kelvin Kitchens.

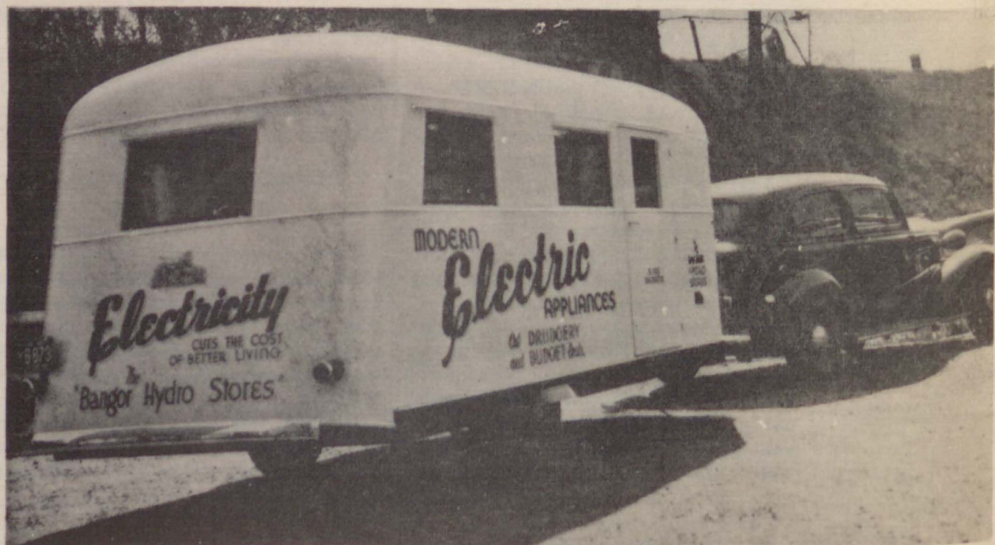
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Miss Dorothy Covert  
Kelvin Kitchens

Miss Marguerite Skoken  
Universal Kitchens

Miss Marjorie Church  
Bangor Hydro-Electric Co.



ELECTRICAL APPLIANCE DISPLAY TRAILER





MISS BEATRICE S. DAVIS



MR. JOSEPH S. ELDRIDGE

### Wedding Bells

The schedule for the cooking schools is as follows:

	D.S.T.
May 17 - Orono - Community Hall	2:30
18 - Oldtown - Tarratine Hall	2:30
19 - Lincoln - Auditorium Hall	2:00
20 - Millinocket - Odd Fellows Hall	2:00
21 - Bangor - Recreation Hall	2:30
22 - Bangor - Recreation Hall	2:30
24 - Bar Harbor - Star Theatre	2:30
25 - Ellsworth - Baptist Church Vestry	2:00
26 - Machias - Congregational Church Vestry	2:30
27 - Harrington - Methodist Church Vestry	2:30
28 - Eastport - Christ Church Institute	2:30

Announcing the approaching marriage of Beatrice S. Davis, of Bangor, Maine, and Joseph S. Eldridge of Winterport, Maine.

Miss Davis has been employed as Bookkeeper in the Light Department of the Bangor Office for the past seventeen years.

Mr. Eldridge is engaged in business in Winterport, which he established soon after returning from New York City where he was employed by the Eastern Steamship Company.

### ACCOUNTING DEPARTMENT NEWS

By Madelena Spencer

Miss Beatrice Davis was tendered a dinner and shower at the Penobscot Exchange last Tuesday night by the girls of the Accounting Department. Dinner was served at 6:30, the menu consisting of Fruit Cup, Olives - Celery, Roast Stuffed Chicken, Whipped

Potato, New String Beans, Hot Rolls, Strawberry Pie and Coffee. Those present were Beatrice Davis, Helen Dougherty, Rita van Dyke, Albertina Bartlett, Madeline Spencer, Irene Spencer, Gladys Stetson, Myra Weeks, Alice Grant, Alice Anderson, Marion Burnett, Dorothy Nealley, Ruth Thomas, Wynona Boober, Janet Coltart, Elsie Davies, Alice Estes, Glenna Bragdon, Sarah Noyes, Eona Prescott, Ruth Libbey, Mrs. Lottie Brown, Mrs. Alta Cole, Mrs. Leona Goodwin, Mrs. Catherine Buker, Mrs. Wilhelmina Wiles, and Mrs. Gertrude Havlir.

After the dinner, the party gathered in one of the upstairs rooms and Miss Davis was presented with beautiful gifts of sterling silver from the employees and a large beautiful sterling dish from the Company.

The party was very enjoyable for us all and a pleasant surprise.  
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prise for "Bee".

Miss Davis has been with the Company for several years and we all know we will miss her pleasant smile and pleasing personality. We all sincerely wish her the best of happiness.

Clair Millett, who has been employed as a Meter Reader for the last year, has been moved to the Car Barn, where he is officially listed as a Register Clerk. Although Clair worked here only a short time, his absence is noticed by all of us. We wish him success in his new position.

Donald MacCreedy is the newest Meter Reader now. Perhaps it will comfort Clair to know that someone else has to take all the kidding now.

#### HARRINGTON NEWS ITEMS

Theolyn G. Stanley.

A few improvements are being made in some of the surrounding towns in our Division.

The Main Street of our town has been improved by the opening of "The Village Luncheonette", Mrs. Gertrude Coffin, Proprietor; also a new bungalow is now under construction.

The Town of Jonesport has started construction of a new High School Building.

Mr. Hammons, Mr. Torrey of the Bangor Office, Mr. Hall, a representative of the General Electric and Milton Vose of Landers, Frary & Clark were recent callers at the Harrington Office.

Mr. Cushing, accompanied by Mr. Vose of the Machias Office, was in Bangor May 14th to attend the funeral services of Mr. Daggett.

The Cooking School will be held at the Methodist Vestry in Harrington Thursday, May 27th, at 2:30 P. M. DST.

#### BAR HARBOR NEWS FLASHES

By M.F.Higgins.

Mr. Hall Dearborn, Mr. Herbert Hammons, Mr. Gordon E. Torrey, and Mr. K. Cosseboom, were visitors at our office recently.

Miss Sylvia Austin is having her annual vacation.

Jefferson Cosseboom, Ralph Fickett, and Sam Frye delivered a refrigerator at Islesford today. Due to the open winter, no ice

was stored and Mr. Frye feels that this is a good territory for the coming season.

Several new extensions are being considered in this Division.

Miss Sylvia Austin entertained the girls of the Bar Harbor office at the Austin camp at Oak Point on Wednesday evening. A delicious steak dinner was enjoyed and Miss Perry was crowned the EATING champion for 1937. "May Winchell Higgins" lost the title which she has held during the past year. No cup was awarded but figures don't lie!

The employees of the Bar Harbor Division learned with deepest regret of the passing of Mr. Henry W. Daggett. Mr. Daggett's many visits and his helpful cooperation at all times with us during the many years of his service with the Company will always have a place in our memories. Our sympathy at this time goes to his family in their bereavement.



Son of Mrs. Adelbert G. Sprague.

The Bar Harbor Division boasts that this good looking chap is one of our family. He is the four year old son of Mrs. Adelbert G. Sprague and lives at 23 Atlantic Avenue, Bar Harbor.

#### OLDTOWN DIVISION NEWS

By Ella O'Connor.

Saturday afternoon, May 1st, two veteran fishermen were anxiously inquiring of every possible weather prophet regarding conditions for the following day, as there were several clouds floating around which made them suspicious of a pending storm but, much to their relief, May 2nd dawned bright and clear.

With weather worries abated, Simon and Harold started out for Cold Stream Pond, about 4 A.M., fully equipped with a fisherman's paraphernalia, such as hip rubber boots, plenty of poles and tackle and, of course, a days supply of smokes.

They arrived in due season, rented a boat, and set out for the spot where they believed fish were plentiful. After an hour or so of angling, a stiff breeze came up and blasted all their hopes. In some way, and without warning, the wind overturned their small craft and the two boys were spilled into the icy waters. With them went lines, poles, tackle and what not, but they were lucky to escape with their lives, although to hear their version of it all, nothing so very unusual happened.

The boys were hampered by heavy clothing and were not able to make much progress swimming, although it is rumored that both are experts in that sport. Both were rather reticent about the affair, but finally told us that they clung to the overturned boat until rescued by two men from Bangor, who happened to be doing some early morning fishing too. They went on shore, dried out a bit, and then home to a hot bath and bed. Both came to work the following morning none the worse for their experience.

Salesman O'Connor reports that the Sales Allowances and Trial Plan for Ranges and Water Heaters are reflecting quite favorably in his contracts for these appliances. If sales and inquiries for the past month are any indication of future business, we may look forward to a decided improvement in appliance sales toward the desired end of kilowatt hour increase.

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Vice President Haskell, Commercial Engineer Hammons, and the Messrs. Torrey and Perkins have called at the Oldtown Office this month.

The linemen have made many changes in the distribution lines lately due to the installation of several water heaters and ranges in Orono and Oldtown.

Invitations have been sent for the Cooking School at Tarratine Hall, Oldtown, where "What's New in the Art of Cooking" will be presented by Miss Margurette Skoken of Landers, Frary & Clark, and "The Use of the Modern Electric Refrigerator" by Miss Dorothy Covert of The Famous Kelvin Kitchen.

#### LINCOLN DIVISION NEWS

By H. V. Haskell.

The Lincoln Line Crew recently finished a new 6 pole extension to serve Alvah Libby on Fox Ranch at Fish Hill. We hope this will lead to the sale of a big commercial job.

Mr. Bill Thompson was up two days installing a commercial job at the fox ranch, South Lincoln Road. This is practically completed except for a few hours work.

The Water Heater business is improving. We hope to sell several more before the summer is over.

Estimates are being figured on proposed extensions at Enfield and Edinburg.

Many of our customers have been inquiring about a cooking school. This seems to be a feature of interest to many of the ladies. In fact, all year long after the spring cooking school, we are told by various customers of their luck with the recipes and menus.

The new Bangor and Aroostook bus stops directly in front of our office. Very convenient for trips to Aroostook or an afternoon in Bangor.

Among recent visitors to the Lincoln Office were: Mr. Vose, Representative of Universal appliances; Mr. Brown, Operating Engineer; Mr. Cosseboom, Field Engineer; Mr. Harper, on radio trouble; Mr. Cole, First Aid Instructor; Mr. Hammons, Commercial Engineer; Mr. Torrey, Sales Supervisor.



Richard Hanscom. Donald Hanscom.

Children of Harvey Hanscom, Salesman, Lincoln: Richard, age 5, Donald, age 2. Picture taken September 1936.

#### MILFORD STATION NEWS

By E. A. Randall.

Not much improvement in conditions here since last report - water is still too high to raise the flashboards, but it is gradually shrinking and unless we have a lot of rain, it probably won't be long now before the boards will all be in position and our output back to normal again.

Joe Fournier's crew is at work on the front end of the building now, repairing the brick and stone work on end of roof.

The operators have been kept pretty busy of late, sounding the siren for grass fires, brush fires, chimney fires, and more fires one grass fire headed straight for Barker's mill yard and before it could be stopped, destroyed several thousand feet of newly-sawed boards belonging to H. H. Madden. Aside from this one case very little damage has been reported to date.

A couple of our Old Town boys claim that the water in Cold Stream Pond is a lot wetter than usual this year.

Our old friend Henry Perkins, one time superintendent at the Veazie Station, dropped in one day last week and swapped a few words with us.

I forgot to mail this Thursday, and that night it rained 1.70 inches. Don't think it will raise water in river much, if any, as I

hear they had very little rainfall up river. It silenced our fire siren however, for which we are very thankful.



Lawrence Abbott

#### METER READERS

Lawrence Abbott, of the Bar Harbor Division, assumed the duties of Meterman at the height of our 1927 summer season in August. Since that date and up to the present time, Mr. Abbott's duties and responsibilities have increased with the expansion of our business. His work is much broader than the term meterman implies. He is responsible for the appearance of our office and display space, window decoration, reading meters, recording meters, installations, and disconnections, making up meter card records, and some of his time is devoted to collections and selling. All in all, Lawrence is a busy man, liked by both customers and fellow employees and an exponent for the increased use of electricity.

Mr. Abbott graduated from Bar Harbor High School in 1926; he is married; is a Junior Deacon in the Masonic Lodge; and a Past Sachem in the Red Men's Lodge. His spare time is devoted to golf fishing and hunting, and usually

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accounts for himself well in these sports.

In the comparatively brief interval of his ten years with the Company, he has seen meter installations increase in the Bar Harbor Division through many new extensions and sales of appliances.



Ralph Fickett

### SERVICE MEN

Ralph Fickett commenced work with the Bar Harbor & Union River Power Company as a part-time employee on April 10th, 1912. During this period of part-time and permanent employment, he has witnessed many changes both in the Line and Service Department of the earlier Company as well as the present Bangor Hydro-Electric Company.

This first employment with what is now the Bangor Hydro-Electric Company was a part-time job during the summer months taking care of horses, before the Company used automobiles, as automobiles were not allowed on Mt. Desert Island until 1913. Returning for work each summer season he repaired street lights, connected and disconnected meters and wired houses.

Mr. Fickett has helped wire

such summer houses as the Gurnee and Howard Cottages in Bar Harbor and the Melcher Cottage in Northeast Harbor. At the time the Company commenced selling appliances, Ralph or "Cap'n" Fickett as some of the older Company employees familiarly refer to him, was serving as a line foreman, but when the need for an appliance service man arose, he assumed responsibility of servicing appliances and keeping hundreds of these labor-saving devices in satisfactory operating condition in peoples homes in the towns of Mt. Desert Island, Cranberry Island, and Suttons Island. The Company's appliance business today has grown to such proportions that Mr. Fickett, along with the service men in other Company divisions constitute one of the busiest Company departments and certainly one of the links that make the greatest friendship between Company and customer

Mr. Fickett was born in Milbridge, Maine. He is married and has four children. He is a member of the Odd Fellows, Red Men, and Foresters Lodges. He resides with his family on Edgewood Street, Bar Harbor.

### MILLINOCKET DIVISION NEWS

R. A. Fernald.

Mr. William R. Wray and Maurice A. Perkins of the Lighting Department were recent callers here discussing new lighting possibilities with Mr. Gonya of the Gonya Drug Store.

Mr. Foss and the writer attended the Sales Meeting in Bangor, April 19th.

William Harper and Gordon Torrey, new Sales Supervisor, made a call on us during the latter part of last month. Mr. Torrey states that this was his first trip to Millinocket but on his next trip, we would have the opportunity of seeing the new Electric Kitchen on Wheels.

George Dow is making a general inspection of the hydraulic equipment at the Medway Plant.

### NOTICE TO

#### QUARTER CENTURY CLUB MEMBERS

Extra copies of the April issue of the News are available upon request to the Office Manager.



Carroll Elaine Blaisdell

The above picture is of the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Atwell Blaisdell. Mr. Blaisdell is employed in the Printing Department of the General Office. Carol is shown in her dancing costume, as a pupil of Miss Shanley's School of Dancing.

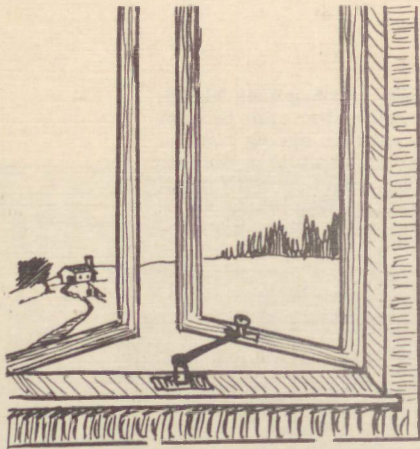
### BANGOR HYDRO SONG

(To tune "Among My Souvenirs")

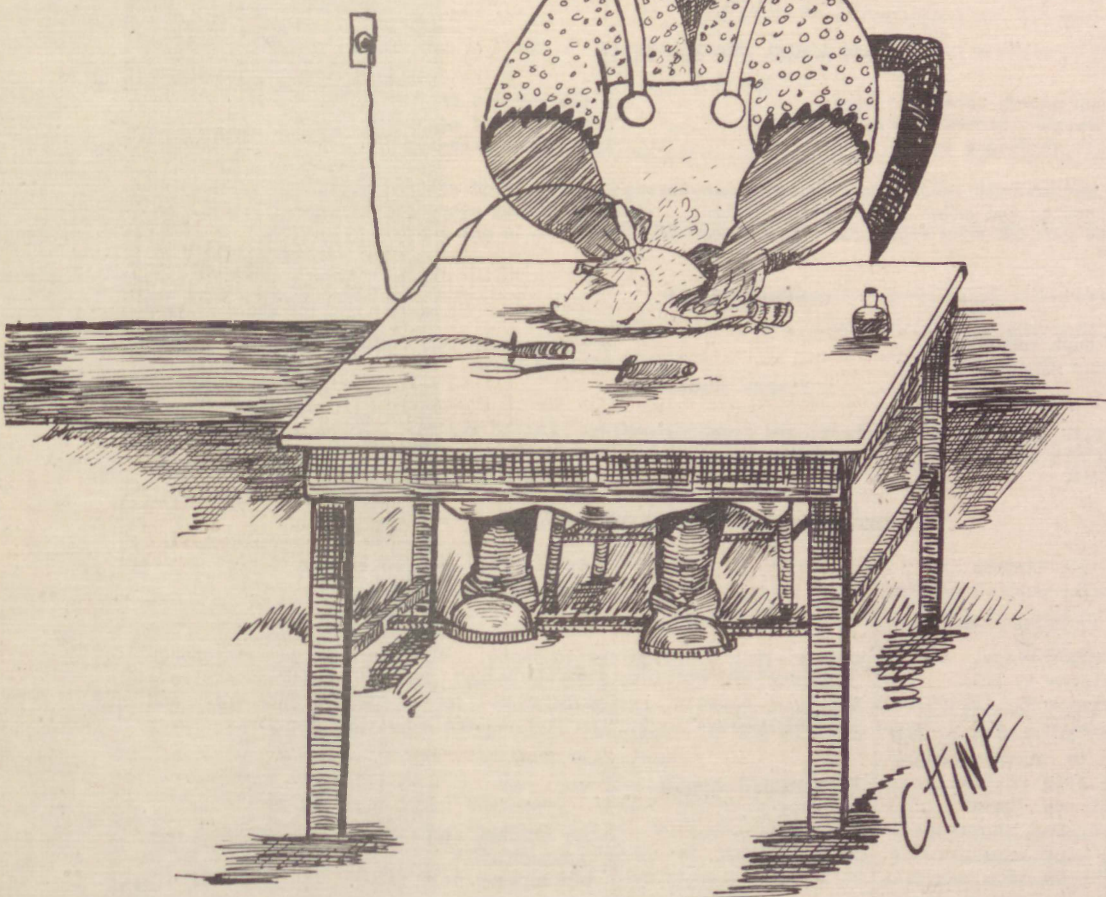
This Bangor Hydro crowd,  
Will raise their voices loud,  
With joy and glee to be here on this glorious day,  
Our friendships stand the test,  
Our men are of the best,  
Our girls will always be within our memories:—  
We all work with a will  
Wishes we try to fill  
And we all do our best  
For perfect satisfaction,  
This happy company  
In many years to be  
Will live in memory among our souvenirs.

"B" DAVIS





GOOD LORDY MAN  
DAT "CHICK" SHAVER  
IS JUST DE'TING  
FOR DIS CHICKEN  
I NEVER LIKED  
THAT SINGEING  
IDEAL ANYWAY



A CHANCE FOR SALESMEN TO PICK  
UP SOME EXTRA CASH



## SPRING SALADS

By Margorie Church

It's about this time of year that every housewife re-discovers the joy of salads. Undisguised blessings they are, not only because of the ease of preparation and simplicity of serving, but also because right now when appetites begin to lag ever so slightly they serve as the best imaginable spring tonic.

For luncheon a soup and a salad will make the happiest couple you are likely to see at this season. An attractive salad may be used as the main dish for luncheons and suppers, or as a part of more elaborate dinners. Everyone enjoys a cool, refreshing salad, and it can easily be made as nourishing as it is appetizing, for they are now made in endless variety. They may be composed of meat, fish, vegetables, or fruits, alone or in combination.

Next to crisp coolness, the appearance of a salad is of vital importance. If you've always secretly felt that you have latent possibilities as an artist, try your hand on salads. Half their appeal is in their appearance and your cleverness in the choice of color as well as flavor combinations will go far to satisfy that desire for self-expression.

Every housewife has available, from time to time, bits of left-over chicken, fish, meat and cooked vegetables, such as beans, peas or carrots, which, while not enough for a whole meal, may be combined in a delicious and satisfying salad by the addition of a few crisp lettuce leaves, a garnish of riced egg yolk, a few radishes, or rosy slices of ripe tomatoes. So try a salad to land that pleasing variety of color, texture, and flavor to your spring menus.

## ASPARAGUS AND EGG SALAD

$\frac{1}{2}$ cup cooked asparagus tips	2 tablespoons chopped nuts
1 teaspoon minced parsley	6 hard cooked eggs
Whole asparagus tips	Tart salad dressing

Shell eggs and cut in half lengthwise. Lash yolks through sieve. Add chopped nuts,  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup chopped asparagus tips, parsley and salad dressing to moisten. Fill egg halves with this mixture. Arrange on lettuce leaves and garnish with asparagus tips, minced parsley or whole nut meats.

## LUNCHEON SALAD

$1\frac{1}{2}$ cups tuna fish	$\frac{1}{2}$ cup chopped sweet pickle
$\frac{1}{2}$ cup diced cucumber	Pickled beets
French dressing	

Mix tuna fish with the cucumber, pickles, and French dressing. Chill, and place on crisp lettuce and cut beets in quarters and place around salad.

## TOMATO STUFFED WITH SHRIMP SALAD

1 can shrimps	1 C. Coarsely chopped celery
Salt, pepper, paprika	Fresh tomatoes
Lettuce	

Drain liquor from shrimps, add chopped celery and seasonings to taste. Mix thoroughly with enough mayonnaise to moisten it well. Peel tomatoes and cut into five sections, without cutting entirely through to the stem end. Place each tomato on a bed of crisp lettuce, spread the sections apart and fill with shrimp salad. Put a spoonful of mayonnaise in the center and garnish with parsley.

## TOMATO SURPRISE

6 medium tomatoes	1 cup chicken stock
$\frac{1}{2}$ onion, sliced	$\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon salt
1 tablespoon gelatine	2 tablespoons cold water
$\frac{1}{2}$ cup chicken, diced	$\frac{1}{2}$ cup nutmeats
$\frac{1}{3}$ cup chopped celery	

Peel tomatoes and cut a slice from the top of each. Remove the pulp with a spoon and drain the shells. To the tomato pulp add the chicken stock, onion, and salt. Cook 15 minutes and press through a fine sieve. Measure and bring the amount to one cup by adding more stock, if necessary. In the meantime, soften the gelatine in the cold water, add to the hot mixture and stir until dissolved. When cool and slightly congealed, fold in chicken, nutmeats, and celery. Fill tomato shells with the mixture and chill thoroughly. Serve with mayonnaise.

## FRUIT SALAD

1 cup diced pineapple	1 cup seeded white cherries
$\frac{1}{2}$ cup seeded grapes	$\frac{1}{2}$ cup diced marshmallows
$\frac{1}{3}$ cup pecans	$\frac{1}{3}$ cup salad dressing

Chill ingredients. Combine and serve on crisp nests of lettuce.



BANGOR HYDRO-ELECTRIC CO.  
33 STATE STREET  
EXECUTIVE OFFICES

EDWARD M. GRAHAM  
PRESIDENT

BANGOR, MAINE  
May 12th, 1937.

To the Employees of the Bangor Hydro-Electric Company:

Worth Daggett, an employee of the Bangor Hydro-Electric Company for twenty-eight years passed away at noon today. It is with deep regret and profound sorrow that this announcement is made to you.

For nearly twenty-five years I have been very closely associated with Mr. Daggett and I know that we all have lost a very fine and true friend.

The funeral service will be held at 2:30 o'clock Friday afternoon in the Universalist Church and I hope that all who can do so will be present. In so far as possible an opportunity will be given to all employees to attend the service to pay their last respects to him.

Mr. Daggett's faithfulness, loyalty and actions in the performance of his duties can well be an outstanding example for us all to follow.

Respectfully yours,

*Edward M. Graham*  
President

#### CHILDREN OF

#### MILFORD STATION EMPLOYEES

The pictures on this page are of the children of the Milford Station employees.

The top picture is of Operator Mayhew's three smart daughters, left to right: Pauline, Mabel and Sherbie. Each of these young ladies have won highest honors in their respective schools.

In the center picture is Operator Randall's son Harry, his wife, and their two boys: Robert now eighteen, and Harry Jr. now thirteen. This picture was taken five years ago. Their home is in Pittsburgh, Pa.

In the lower picture is shown Assistant Operator Cunningham's three children: Constance, three years old, Vernon Allen, two, and baby Caroline, eight months old.

We wish to take this opportunity to thank the Reporters for sending in pictures of employees' children, and we would appreciate receiving more of them for future issues.

#### MAIN STREET OBSERVER

By Harry Allen

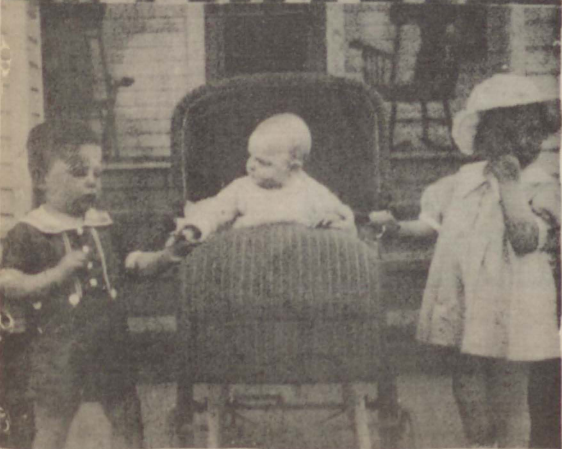
The fourth floor is all settled and is a beehive of plans and details. Each of the six offices are steaming with activity. The only thing we lack is another elevator to take care of the numerous comings and goings.

A new exhaust fan has been installed in the ceiling to give the offices better air.

Jameson and Hatch, Main Office employees are busy rewiring the teleautograph, but unless they strike fewer nails, they will need a carton of bits. Hatch suggests that carpenters use wooden spikes in future construction jobs.

Salesmen and service men met at the Country Club recently for a sales promotion talk on Kelvinators. Various new features were explained in detail. A demonstration of two six foot cabinets working on one unit was one feature.

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ture, proving the plus powered unit.

Geo. Baughman arrived at the Bangor salmon pool early one Sunday morning with his heart set on a salmon. He wasn't fooling those silver sides any, but he did find a sucker and a pickerel foolish enough to sample his lures.

Tracey is learning the fishing game so we expect to hear about the big ones that got away.

Don King who has been out with rheumatic fever is coming along nicely and gets in to see us now and then. He had the misfortune to fall a short while ago and broke the thumb on his left hand.

The two Kelvin Homes are fast nearing completion. We have one all wired and expect to start on the other in a week or so.

Wray and Perkins, lighting experts are making the town brilliant with their lighting suggestions. Several jobs are in and more are under way.

The trailer has been equipped with cupboards, a sink, and a full line of electric appliances and is ready for the road. You may expect a visit from Mr. Torrey with the traveling display very shortly.

Just now we are preparing for a cooking school to be held on the third floor. You may find the service crew there any early morning looking for samples.

Ranges and water heaters are moving fast. This is the busy season for these two items. All the salesmen have at least one or two coal or wood stoves to dispose of.

We are starting a liars club in this department. The Monday morning stories we hear are getting to be too much so we are offering a gold plated short circuit to the winner. Just now Grover Jordon is in the lead, pursued closely by Baughman.

We enjoyed the cigars and candy which B. Davis sent over and we extend our felicitations to the new bride and groom.

Miss Church made some ice cream and put it in a Kelvinator on the third floor to see just how long it took to freeze. At the first peek it had started to freeze, at the second it was nearly ready, but at the third look, only the trays remained. Result of her



ROGERS TRAILER PAINTED CHECKERBOARD FOR SAFETY

experiment? To put a lock on future ones! We hate to let it out but it must be mice.

Miss Boober is getting back in form on the golf course. She has a good tan already.

Bill Thompson has installed Kelvinator commercial equipment at Lincoln, Machias, and Bar Harbor this month.

We have installed a double oven six plate Universal electric stove in Dr. Eugene Sangers residence on Broadway.

Mr. Nichols has cleaned house in the basement and the place looks much better.

Postmaster White is busy these days weighing and stamping parcels to be mailed. Evenings you may find him on one of the various ball flats weighing and delivering his famous speed ball.

We were grieved to learn of Mr.

Daggetts death. Several in this department attended his funeral.

The refrigeration crew agree that the stock room force cant take it. The doors and windows there are always closed, perhaps to keep the force from getting colds. We have found one way to get them open and they usually stay open while we are there. Thanks to SO<sub>2</sub>. We could suggest that they requisition gas masks and fur coats for their work.

Davies is busy with his crew of three from the track department. The salesmen are keeping the delivery department on the jump.

A modern electric kitchen is on display on the first floor. It consists of a refrigerator, range sink, dishwasher, and disposal (pig for short).

Until the sun shines again  
THAT'S ALL.



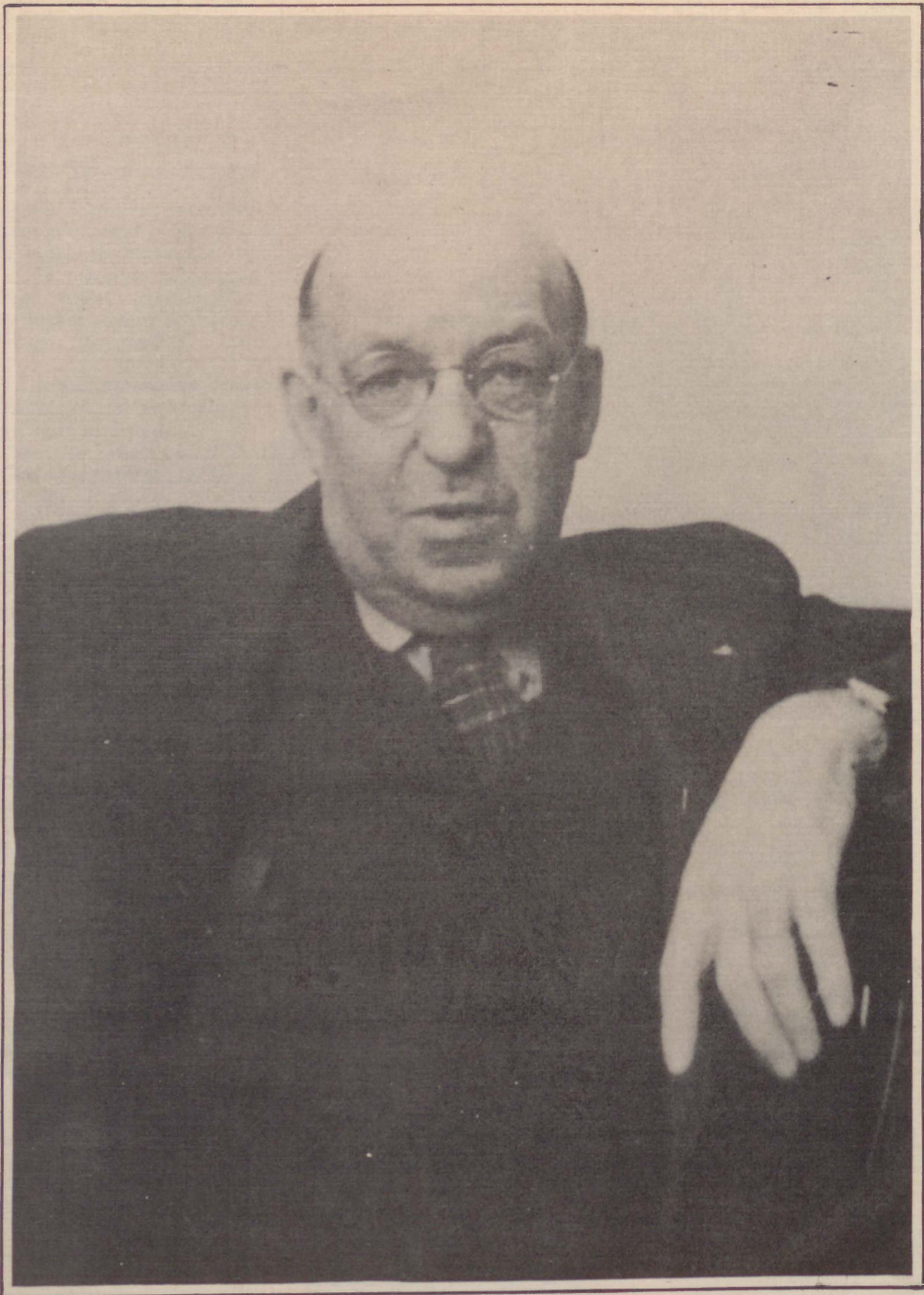


# VETERANS SERVICE LIST

We list below the names of those employees whose employment anniversaries come during the month of May.

		<u>Years of Service</u>
Lacey, James J.	Track Foreman, Bangor	May 5, 1934 - 33
Cary, Fred G.	Supt., Milford Power Station	" 17, 1907 - 30
Dougherty, Helen A.	Cashier, Gen'l. Office, Bangor	" 1, 1911 - 26
Long, William M.	Lineman, Bangor	" 2, 1911 - 26
Young, Robert J.	Car Operator, Bangor	" 29, 1911 - 26
Bragdon, Roy L.	Lineman, Ellsworth	" 8, 1914 - 23
Addison, Michael	Trackman, Bangor	" 19, 1914 - 23
Sawyer, Albert L., Sr.	Machinist, Old Town	" 1, 1915 - 22
Emery, George I.	Lineman, Bangor	" 1, 1917 - 20
Poulin, Joseph S.	Car Operator, Bangor	" 11, 1917 - 20
Gott, William J.	Car Operator, Bangor	" 5, 1918 - 19
Jennison, Elwood W.	Hydraulic Engineer, Bangor	" 2, 1919 - 18
Wentworth, Harry O.	Truck Driver, Rwy. Dept., Bangor	" 27, 1919 - 18
Hatch, Ralph W.	Electrician, Bangor	" 18, 1920 - 17
Wood, Everett C.	Trackman, Bangor	" 1, 1921 - 16
Grindle, Frederick M.	Line Foreman, Bar Harbor	" 5, 1921 - 16
Kingsbury, Joel L.	Line Foreman, Bangor	" 23, 1921 - 16
Avery, Ralph L.	Car Operator, Bangor	" 11, 1922 - 15
Kingsbury, Arthur L.	Lineman, Bangor	" 1, 1923 - 14
Marsh, Fred D.	Operator, Veazie Station	" 27, 1923 - 14
Fields, Sibyl E.	Cashier, Ellsworth Office	" 6, 1924 - 13
Hoyt, Percy C.	Lineman, Machias	" 1, 1925 - 12
Hammons, Herbert E.	Commercial Engineer, Bangor	" 24, 1926 - 11
Foster, Franklyn H.	Asst. Stock Clerk, Service Bldg., Bangor	" 2, 1927 - 10
Littlefield, Frank E.	Electrician, Bangor	" 17, 1927 - 10
Carter, Roy J.	Lineman, Ellsworth	" 7, 1928 - 9
Tibbetts, Vinal E.	Oiler and Truck Driver, Rwy. Dept., Bangor	" 4, 1929 - 8
Back, Ivan A.	Lineman and Meter Reader, Millinocket	" 1, 1930 - 7
Grover, Rex R.	Asst. Operator, Ellsworth Station	" 12, 1930 - 7
Harrington, C. M.,	Car House Helper, Bangor	" 20, 1930 - 7
Vose, Lowell W.	Meter Reader, Harrington	" 21, 1930 - 7
Wyman, Ivan L.	Lineman, Lincoln	" 19, 1930 - 7
Chadeayne, Wilbur D.	Salesman, Bangor	" 11, 1931 - 6





**HENRY WORTH DAGGETT**

Henry Worth Daggett died at his home at 26 Wiley Street, Bangor, on May 12th, after a long period of ill health. He had been in the employ of the Bangor Hydro-Electric Company for over thirty-one years and had retired from active duty April 1st, of this year. He served in various capacities during these years, starting as Conductor and Motorman in the Railway Department, then Freight Agent, Assistant Superintendent of Railway, and in 1921 was made Assistant General Manager, serving also as General Freight Agent, and Claim Agent. For the last few years before his retirement he was also Safety Director for the Company.

Probably no employee of the Bangor Hydro-Electric Company was so generally known among his fellow employees as Worth Daggett, and whoever knew him, worked with him, or associated with him counted him as a friend.

He was tireless in his efforts to do his assignments and happiest when he was doing things to please and assist others. All through his long service with the Company, he strove to have his efforts give pleasure to others.

The Company has suffered a real loss in the passing of Mr. Daggett but the memory of his character and his friendliness serve to leave with all of us a deep feeling of appreciation for having known a fine man.