



James Abercrombie, Manager of the local Department of Energy Office, addresses prospective contractors for the Centrifuge Project. The briefing, hosted by the local DOE Office, was held on plantsite.

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UNCLE OF VICE PRESIDENT'S WIFE

Dr. Eaton Dines At White House

Having lunch with the Vice President of the United States and the Shah of Iran! Who at GAT would get a chance like that? Dr. Robert Eaton, a member of our Medical Department, did recently. "It was quite an experience," Dr. Eaton reported. Mrs. Eaton happens to be the aunt of Mrs. Joan Mondale, wife of the Vice President. After spending 9 years in

Iran, "Fritz" as Dr. Eaton calls the Vice President, invited them to a White House luncheon during the Shah of Iran's recent visit.

"If I backtrack a little bit, maybe the circumstances will make more sense," Dr. Eaton related recently. "After practicing general surgery for 28 years in Grand Rapids, Michigan, my wife and I decided to sell my practice and accept an offer to be a medical missionary in Iran." During his surgical practice, he was named to the College of Surgeons. That requires the submission of at least 100 written surgical procedures. "They must be different — 100 tonsillectomies don't count."

"It was quite an experience. I could speak no Iranian when I reported to the hospital and none of my staff, including the nurses, could speak a word of English. We quickly learned the language and certainly enjoyed our experience there. When I left nine years later, I felt they had a good staff of three surgeons.

"When the Inauguration was held for the President and Vice President, we had the honor of sitting with the Mondales in the front row. It was quite an experience to be met at the airport in Washington, D.C. by a secret serviceman and escorted to the White House in a bulletproof limousine."

During their recent visit, they went in a motorcade via a circuitous route to avoid the 1500 demonstrators gathered along the supposed route. "The Shah was very

nice," Dr. Eaton related. "We had a lot of common interests as we knew the Shah's mother-in-law very well and inquired about her to the Shah and his wife in Iranian as we walked through the receiving line. That really surprised and pleased both of them."

The gourmet luncheon included filet mignon with sauce Perigueux, Duchesse potatoes, yellow squash, special salads, and key lime mousse and pirouettes. After the luncheon, the Shah toasted the United States in fluent English. "The Shah was impressive, but you know, his hand feels the same as yours," Dr. Eaton kiddingly remarked.

Dr. Eaton spent the night with the Mondales. "Fritz was even able to slip into a comfortable shirt with the shirttail out and into an old pair of tennis shoes, but he was called to the White House at 10:00 p.m. which cut the evening short.

"We have vacationed in Northern Michigan with the Mondales and the rest of the family for many years. Now that she is married to the Vice President, curious people make it impossible for her to spend any time there, which is unfortunate. Joan Mondale has two secret servicemen with her at all times and cannot open any door by herself.

"I have known Jerry Ford for many years and supported him in several elections. Now that 'Fritz' was elected Vice President on the Democratic ticket and I went to the Inauguration, I get a lot of kid- (See DR. EATON Page 4)

work will be accomplished through many subcontracts awarded on a competitive, fixed-price basis.

For construction management services DOE expects to award a cost-plus, award-fee type contract in April 1978. Estimated cost of the work under the contract in 1978 dollars is between \$1 and \$1.5 billion.

Major construction work under the contract includes eight centrifuge process buildings each with 300,000 square feet of floor space, a 500,000 square foot recycle/assembly building, supporting utilities, and ancillary facilities, and installation of process equipment, exclusive of the actual centrifuge machines. Centrifuge machines will be procured commercially and installed under separate contractual arrangements.

Initial construction has already begun. An office building to house DOE's area office staff, located at the intersection of the South Access and Perimeter Road, has already begun. Also, utilities, warehouse facilities, and grading work has been started.

The construction workforce will total 4,500 construction workers in 1983-84. Manpower to operate the completed plant will develop gradually during the early years of construction and reach a peak of about 2,300 workers when the plant is fully operational in 1988.

NEW PROCEDURE

How To Obtain Insurance Forms

Beginning January 23, 1978, employees will obtain Group Hospital Insurance Forms, Attending Physician's Statements, and Insurance Claim Return Envelopes directly from their department. In the past the forms were obtained from the Insurance Section of the Cashiers Department.

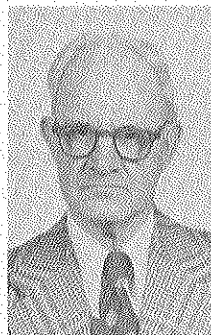
All claims must be filed in DUPLICATE.

The employe is responsible for completing the upper portion of each claim form by providing the following information prior to submission to the hospital and/or physician:

1. Employee's name and badge number.
2. Patient's name, age, and relationship to the employee.
3. Carefully answer each question contained in the "Employee Section."

The employe's signature must appear on the claim form — no other signature will be honored.

Please call the Cashiers Department (Ext. 2695) if you have any questions about this procedure.



Evans



Booth

THREE RETIRE

Effective December 1, 1977, Delbert L. Holden, Maintenance Mechanic 1/C, retired for health reasons with over 22 years of service. (No picture available.)

Effective January 1, 1978, Kenneth B. Booth, a Technical Mechanic in Lab Services, retired under normal provisions with over 23 years of service.

Also effective January 1, 1978, John L. Evans, Foreman-Maintenance, elected early retirement with 24 years of service.

1977 IN

As 1977 came to a close, an overall view would have to include the change from gaseous diffusion to gas centrifuge technology in projected uranium enrichment facilities. The year also produced great accomplishments and an awareness of important tasks in the future.

The big story in 1977 was the placement of the proposed Centrifuge Uranium Enrichment Project. In April President Carter determined that a switch from gaseous diffusion to gas centrifuge technology was in order, completely cancelling the add-on project already well in progress.

For several months tremendous controversy developed as to whether the new plant would be located on this plantsite or in Oak Ridge, or a combination of the two sites. Many meetings resulted, the most important of which was the overflow rally held in Portsmouth, attended by the Governor of Ohio, U. S. Senators Metzenbaum and Glenn, U. S. Representative W. H. Harsha, and the Acting Director of DOE (then ERDA), Dr. Robert Fri.

On July 11 the big news came! The whole plant will be built on this plantsite. It is estimated that over 4,000 construction workers will be used in the project at its peak and it will mean more than 2,000 permanent jobs. Close to 30 staff personnel are now located in the area DOE office. In December an initial briefing of prospective contractors was held and the award of the prime construction contract is expected in April 1978.

On September 18, 1977, the 25th Anniversary of the Goodyear Atomic Corporation was celebrated. It was 25 years ago that giant earthmovers changed a peaceful and secluded southern Ohio valley into a sprawling industrial network.

In August, as part of that celebration, one of the famous Goodyear blimps, the America, made a rare visit. Parked at the Pike County Airport, employees, news media, and the general public were treated to the unique gentle giant cruising through the countryside.

On Sunday, September 18, an Open House was held on plantsite. An estimated 9,000 people attended. Over 5,000 relatives of employees were afforded a short bus tour of the plantsite, the first such opportunity in 25 years. On that day, 16,000 hot dogs, 20,000 glasses of pop, 10,800 bags of potato chips, and other miscellaneous goodies were consumed.

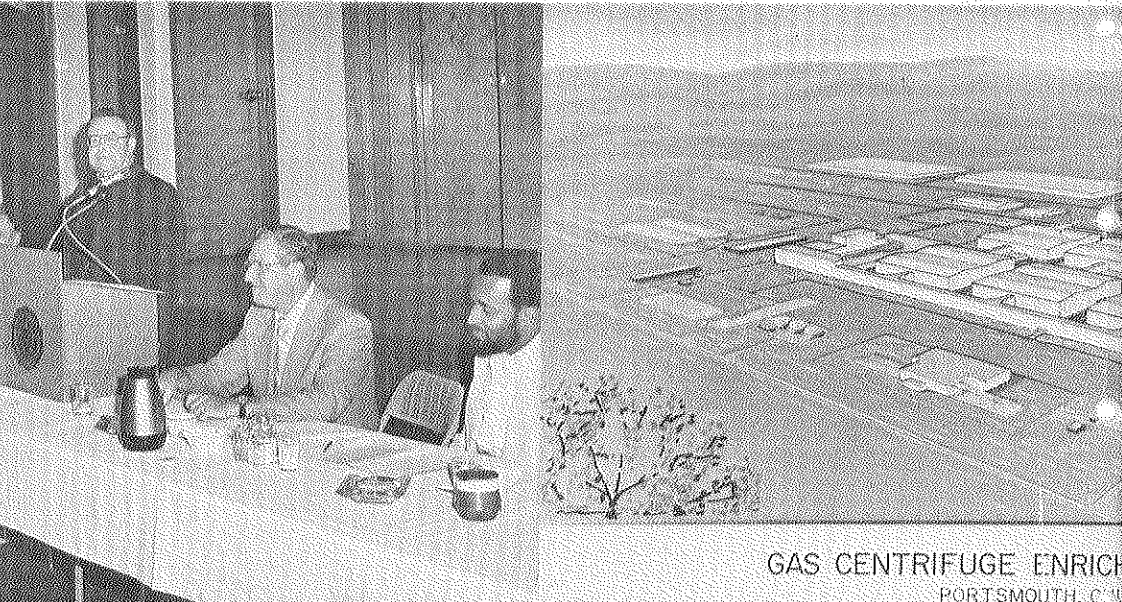
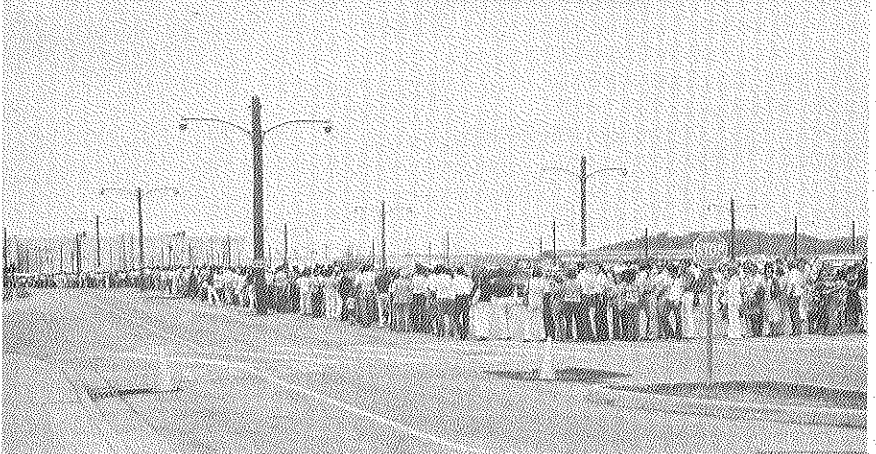
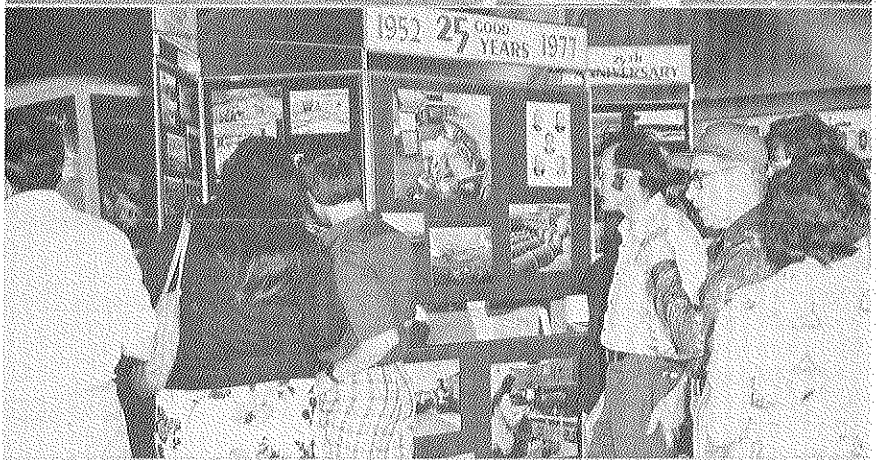
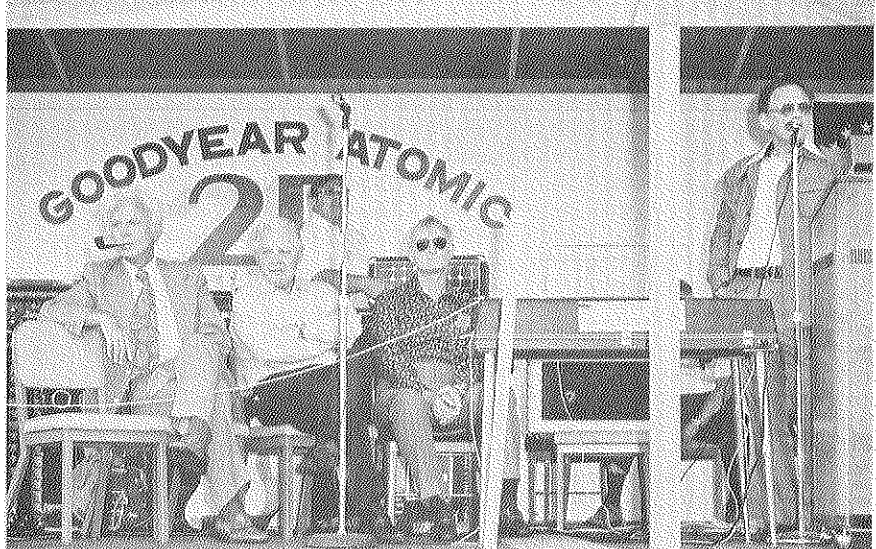
GAT experienced another outstanding year in the shipment and production of enriched uranium. Over \$400 million of separative work was shipped during the calendar year. That figure exceeds the previous year by approximately \$150 million.

Procurement in the Process Equipment Modification Program amounted to \$1,893,000. Utilities construction is 89% complete on the Cascade Upgrading Program. Process Equipment Upgrading is 35% complete with 46 cells now complete. Increased plant power loadings have necessitated additional process cooling capabilities. One cooling tower has been built and another is under construction.

In 1977, there were 65 reactors licensed to operate by NRC. Two others were authorized, owned by DOE. Their total kilowatt output is 46,600,000. There were 77 construction permits approved and 12 site works authorized. In addition, there were 54 reactor orders and 22 reactors not yet ordered.

Several major personnel changes took place in 1977. Undoubtedly a very sad note was the sudden passing of Charles D. Tabor, GAT's fourth General Manager. In August, Nate Hurt was named the new General Manager. Jim Harshman was named Manager, Finance Division, replacing Bob Reed, who retired.

In 1977, January through November, 188 employees were hired, 54 salaried and 134 hourly. The College Recruiting Program called for 32 campus visits and



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18 students participated in the Cooperative Education Program. Of the total of 174 service emblems presented during the year, four were for 25 years, two for 30 years, five for 35 years, and one for 40 years of service.

Goodyear Atomic Corporation continued to be cognizant of the importance of the employment of minority group personnel. In 1977, significant strides were made in Affirmative Action. Highlights were several firsts which were established with the addition of a minority male as Equal Employment Coordinator, one minority female as a Data Entry Operator and another as Programmer.

Through its Cost Reduction "I"dea Program the Company continued to encourage its employes to submit ideas which would result in cost savings. During 1977 a total of 210 "I"deas were submitted which represents a record for a single calendar year. Many of these were accepted and have been implemented. Since the program was initiated in 1968 over 1300 "I"deas have been turned in.

Wage reopener negotiations with the United Plant Guard Workers of America and it's amalgamated Local No. 66 were completed and placed into effect three weeks ahead of the scheduled deadline. A cost-of-living clause, increased hospital benefits and a one-year extension on the 1975 contract were achieved.

During 1977, the Oil Chemical and Atomic Workers, Local 3-689 and management established a Joint Labor-Management Committee. The Committee meets monthly in a joint discussion of mutually identified problems for the purpose of seeking solutions.

The GAT Quality programs continued to be strengthened through formal, on-site training of plantwide Quality personnel by a nationally recognized Quality consultant. Reorganization of the divisional QA sections and the addition of new full-time divisional QA personnel provided improved planning and auditing capability. Formalization of a Plant Deviation Procedure and revision of the Occurrence Investigation and Corrective Action Procedure were meaningful assets in improving overall Quality performance.

Energy conservation in the existing plant facilities is continuing. During the year, steam leaks were repaired, vehicle sizes were reduced, and a study to utilize waste heat was awarded to the Bechtel Corporation. The steam heat for the X-630 and X-633 pumphouse was replaced with waste heat.

A Foreman-In-Training Program provided 22 new foremen with overall plant and management training. Our first Plant Squadron Training Program started for 25 employes. A Women In Management Program was presented to over 200 employes. A Pre-Retirement Program was presented to employes 60 years and older. Several Safety-Health Physics/Industrial Hygiene Programs were presented to hundreds of employes. The Educational Assistance Program had 212 participants.

The United Fund Drive held in October was the most successful in the history of GAT. A goal of \$64,000, more than \$10,000 higher than the previous record total, was set. The generosity of GAT employes was again evident as over \$65,000 was donated. Large increases in the Jackson, Pike, Scioto, and Ross County allocations resulted.

In 1977 our safety record, which already was outstanding, earned more honors. GAT received the Research and General Products Development Divison's Most Improved Safety Award with 120 per cent improvement over the previous year. GAT also won it fourth Goodyear Worldwide Safety Award. Also received was the DOE Award of Excellence. Only four government-owned contract operators out of over 100 received such an honor.



PORTSMOUTH WOMEN'S CLUB

Dance Ends Big Year

The Goodyear Atomic Women's Club of Portsmouth held its annual Poinsettia Ball at the American Legion Hall on Saturday, December 3. The crowd danced to a great selection of music played by the "Blue Eyed Soul." The table centerpieces were logs donated by H. Jack Webb and creatively decorated by the women of the Club. Each log, individually designed, added to the Christmas feeling.

Last month the membership clause of the Club's constitution was changed to include all employees, spouses, parents, sisters, brothers, daughters, sons, daughters-in-law and sons-in-law of present, retired, and deceased Goodyear Atomic Corporation employees. Men . . . here is your opportunity to join! Our Club meets on the second Monday of each month at the Ramada Inn. Dinner precedes business which is followed by canasta and bridge playing. (We have no poker games now, but do accept any challengers.) Everyone wishing to join the Club, please contact Mary Idzakovich, Membership Chairman, at Ext. 2271. We need and welcome everyone! This com-

ing year will be the best year yet. Membership and charity donations will double — these are the goals for 1978.

This year, thanks to you — the members of the Goodyear Atomic Women's Club of Portsmouth — the Happy Hearts Basketball Team can more easily afford a scoreboard; the Mother's Milk Foundation can distribute more literature; Green Township can better help the speech and hearing impaired children of our community; and the Happy Hearts School can better help their mentally retarded children. We are proud of our Club and our community involvement. Happy New Year — See you in January.



Ken Petrey

Promotion Announced

Effective December 16, 1977, Kenneth E. Petrey was promoted to Power Coordinator-Foreman. He reports to Andy W. Ondera, General Foreman.

IN MEMORIAM

John Chrislip, who retired from GAT in 1967 as an Electrician, passed away December 19, 1977 in Chillicothe, at the age of 75. He is survived by his wife.

Goodyear Atomic Classifieds

FOR SALE: 1975 Mustang II, 4 cylinder, 4 speed. Dark Brown Metallic. \$2595. Call 456-5123 or Ext. 2457.

FOR SALE: 1977 Dodge Van (Roman Wheels). 1976 Chevy Van. 1974 K2-900 Kawasaki. 1971 Triumph Bonneville "650". Call Chillicothe 773-5550.

WANTED: 1 or 2 additional carpoolers, Waverly Estates, Heights, or Waverly area. "O" Shift, call Waverly 947-5828.

FOR SALE: 1978 Ford Econoline 200, 3/4 ton van 302-V8, 2 BBL, automatic, power steering, carpet and paneling, customized by Travco, Johnson Messenger C.B. Radio. Asking: \$2,695. Call 614-820-2813 after 5:00 p.m.



Left to Right: Mrs. Steven Akers, President; Mrs. Richard Jones, Vice President; Mrs. Irma Lewis, Secretary; and Mrs. Gordon Sanders, Treasurer.

ACCORDING TO BOARD CHAIRMAN

Big Year For Goodyear Is Forecasted

If history repeats itself, the U.S. tire industry could be on the threshold of unparalleled achievement and innovation, according to Chairman Charles J. Pilliod, Jr.

"The industry is entering a period of sales stability with perhaps a 7 to 7 1/2 percent increase in the number of auto tires to be sold over the next five years," he said. Within the next few years Pilliod predicted tire makers will be marketing tires that deliver as much as 10 percent better fuel economy. "All Season" tires will be commonplace and the spare tire will be as unnecessary as the hand crank.

"The real challenge, and perhaps the next giant step forward, will be to combine all of these features into one 'Super Tire' — a highly fuel efficient construction that uses a completed all-weather tread compound and design to eliminate the problems and inconveniences of a

flat tire," Pilliod said.

Last summer, he pointed out, Goodyear announced the development of the elliptic tire, a high pressure auto tire that can deliver as much as 30 additional miles from every tankful of gasoline while retaining a soft ride. The tire will be appearing on new cars as early as 1979 models.

The company currently is marketing an all-season tire called the "Tiempo", a concept that eliminates the need for winter-summer tire changeovers for millions of motorists.

The Goodyear Chairman said 1977, as was predicted a year ago, will go into the books as the most productive year in the industry's history. Overall, the industry in 1977 will have produced about 255 million tires, nearly 7 percent more than the previous production record set in 1972.

DR. EATON'S VISIT

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ding in Washington as well as in Pike County, Ohio," Dr. Eaton chuckled.

Invited to the White House and met by secret servicemen in chauffeur-driven bulletproof limousines for lunch with the Shah of Iran — that is only a daydream to most of us. It is no dream, though, for Dr. Robert Eaton, a noted surgeon and a medical missionary for nine years which started at age 58 when most of us are thinking about retirement. It also helps to be the uncle of the wife of the Vice President of the United States.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

More Is Not Merrier

The more government spends and does, the greater the incentive to spend time and money and effort to influence government decisions in one's own behalf.

The more the government takes from Peter to pay Paul, the bigger the reward if you can persuade government that your name is not Peter, but Paul. The more civil servants there are, the greater the number of voters who have a personal stake in big government rather than good government.

Henry Ford II,
Chairman,
Ford Motor Co.

Emergency Room Charges Are Explained

The following explanation is furnished concerning "Emergency Room Physician" services under the GAT Hospital Surgical-Medical Plan.

If a surgical procedure is not performed, physician services in an emergency room are payable only when such physician is designated by the hospital

as an "Emergency Room Physician." Your family doctor or a specialist will not qualify as an "Emergency Room Physician."

Charges by your family doctor or a specialist in such a situation are eligible expenses under the GAT Major Medical Plan.

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