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Progressions and Promotions

Alan K. Bracknell, from Technical Writer (D-502) to Chemist (D-378).

Degrees, Honors and Awards

Petty Officer Second Class Stephen D. Wamsley (D-523) has been awarded a Naval Reserve Certificate of Commendation for his nomination as Naval Reserve Readiness Command Region Five Reserve Sailor of the Year. Wamsley, whose reserve assignment is as a hull technician with Auxiliary Floating Drydock (Maintenance)-Seven, Detachment 405, at N.R.C.-Portsmouth. Wamsley's wife, Donna, a registered nurse at the Pike County Hospital, also serves at the Portsmouth Naval Reserve Center as a lieutenant in the center's medical unit.

Mark J. Scott (D-471) received a masters degree in business administration from Morehead State University in May 1984 through the GAT Educational Assistance Program.

Irma L. Blakeman (D-621) received a masters degree in business administration through Ohio University's Executive MBA program on June 9.

A. P. Romero (D-376), a safety equipment technician in the Respirator Facility, has retired from the Naval Reserve after 41 years of service. The retirement ceremony was conducted at the Navy/Marine Corps Reserve Training Center, Columbus, on May 6. Romero's essay "Why Am I in the Uniform of My County" was read in honor of the occasion. Several members of the Romero family, including daughter Mary Nihiser (D-447), attended the commemoration. Romero recently celebrated 30 years with GAT.

Professional Organizations

Nathan H. Hurt (D-001) has been named vice president of the General Engineering Group of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME). The General Engineering Group, part of the ASME's Council on Engineering, includes three divisions--Management, Safety, and Technology and Society. They are among 32 technical divisions that carry out the technical activities of the ASME, an organization of more than 111,000 members.

C. R. Mullins (D-712) participated in the Instrument Society Spring Symposium in Columbus. The subject of the symposium was "Improvement of the Interface between Customer, Vendor and Manufacturer."

Community Activities

Atlas Jones (D-814) was guest speaker at the Father-Son Banquet at the Oakley Baptist Church June 16. His theme was "Father and Son Exercising Together to Become Physically and Spiritually Fit."

Obituaries

William C. Latta, 7, Columbus, June 19. Son of Lawrence Latta (D-106), supervisor, Process Area.

Maribelle Drennen, 62, Waverly, June 20. Mother of Martin Drennen (D-187).

New Employees

June 18, 1984	Susan E. Ragland	014	Clerk II
	Harry B. Clendenin	272	Engineer
	Gregory J. Fowler	277	Engineer
	Kathi L. Osborne	452	Micrographics Prod. Clerk
	Walter E. Tackett	591	QC Inspector I
	Robert R. Kennard	591	QC Inspector I
	Cheryl L. Perkins	624	Co-op Student
	Kim Y. Ford	624	Summer Student

Cost Reduction

The following employees submitted ideas through the Cost Reduction "I"dea Program from June 5 through 15, 1984: R. R. Gatrell (D-213), P. R. Truman (D-590), G. C. McDougal (D-811) and J. R. Gedeon (D-842).

Family

Dennis Cralley, son of Dennis Cralley (D-108) has been named to the Dean's List at Shawnee State Community College for the spring quarter.

Mark Wagner, son of Ginnie Wagner (D-366), has been awarded the full-tuition Distinguished Professor Scholarship by the Department of Chemistry at Ohio University. Mark also received the 1984 Undergraduate Award in Analytical Chemistry and an honorary membership in the division given by the Division of Analytical Chemistry of the American Chemical Society. He is also the recipient of the 1985 W. B. Burke Scholarship given by Mercy Hospital and OSCO Industries, Inc.

Robert E. Hollis, Jr., M.D., son of Sue Hollis (D-818), graduated from the University of Cincinnati College of Medicine June 9. Robert is doing his internship and residence in family practice at Grant Hospital in Columbus.

Recreation Corner

Discount tickets are available for Cedar Point through Elaine Litten, extension 2967, or Doug Fogel, extension 4089. The price is \$11, which is a \$1.95 discount good through 1984. Tickets are to be paid for at the time of purchase from Elaine or Doug.

Personal Finance

If you are delinquent on your Federal taxes, do not be surprised if you get a call from an Internal Revenue Service (IRS) representative during the evening or on Saturday. Beginning June 18, IRS office collection operations for Ohio will be handled by the new Automated Collection System (ACS) call site at Cleveland. The system, which will operate from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. weekdays and until noon on Saturdays, will be responsible for collection of delinquent taxes in Ohio. ACS integrates computer and telephone technology to control collection accounts, allowing an account representative to contact taxpayers, generate correspondence and record actions with an almost total elimination of paperwork. Implementation of the Cleveland site is part of a nationwide phase-in of the system, scheduled for completion in 1984. Delinquent taxpayers will continue to receive notices from the IRS service center as in the past. If this doesn't resolve the case, it will then go to the ACS site where an account representative will make telephone contact with the taxpayer to resolve the delinquency. Each account representative has a terminal and a telephone that is connected to the call site computer. The computer sequences the cases in priority order, based on such factors as the type of tax owed and the amount of the delinquency. It dials the taxpayers' phone number,

while displaying account information on the representative's display terminal, enabling the representative to discuss the case with the taxpayer without referring to stack of paperwork. The system can reschedule the case for future callbacks if there is not answer or the line is busy, and it enhances IRS capability to locate taxpayers and their assets.

The Environment

Water quality has improved significantly in the 35 years since the formation of the Ohio River Valley Water Sanitation Commission, but some major problems remain, according to the Commission's 1983 Annual Report, which was recently published and sent to the governors of the eight Commission member states. The remaining water pollution control problems form the Commission's "Unfinished Agenda" and its focus for future work. The 1983 Annual Report provides extensive information on the status of wastewater treatment in the Ohio Valley and along the Ohio River. Ninety percent of the population living in sewered communities along the Ohio River - or about 3 million people - are served by treatment plants with secondary treatment facilities. Secondary treatment employs biological methods to treat wastes. These projects have required large expenditures of grant funds administered by the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency. The construction of these and other municipal treatment facilities to treat wastewater before discharge to the Ohio River and its tributaries has been a very significant factor in the clean-up of Valley rivers and streams. However, not all of these plants are operating effectively. Some of them receive both industrial and municipal wastes. The result is that inadequately treated wastewater is adversely affecting the Ohio River in several places. This problem is the first issue listed under the Commission's "Unfinished Agenda." The 1983 Annual Report is available free of charge by contacting the Ohio River Valley Water Sanitation Commission, 414 Walnut Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202. The Commission is an interstate agency formed in 1948 to control water pollution in the Ohio Valley. Member states are Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Virginia and West Virginia. The federal government is also represented on the Commission. Lloyd Clausing (D-261) is chairman.

News from DOE

Paul W. (Bill) Kaspar has been named Deputy Manager of the Department of Energy's Oak Ridge Operations. Kaspar, who is being promoted from his current position of Assistant Manager for Safety and Environment, will replace James H. Hill, who is retiring June 29 after a distinguished Federal service career both as a member of the Senior Executive Service and a U. S. Air Force Officer.

News from Goodyear

American Motors Corporation is offering a 10.9 percent interest finance program on its Renault Alliance, Encore, Sports Wagon and Fuego models. The simple interest, fixed rate loan will be available through the month of July. A buyer normally wanting to finance \$7,000 for a new Renault at the current interest rate of 13 1/2 percent would save approximately \$400 under the new plan. Under the "S" Plan for employees of American Motors suppliers, Goodyearites also have the opportunity to purchase AMC, Renault and Jeep vehicles and their factory installed options at four percent above total dealer invoice. The "S" Plan forms must be obtained prior to negotiating with a participating dealer. Call (800) 262-2277 for the forms. A fact sheet on the AMC "S" Plan is available in Public Communication, M/S 1220, X-100 Building.

A multimillion dollar expansion will boost overall production capacity of Ohio Poly Corporation, a Goodyear subsidiary, by about 25 percent, including a considerable boost in the output of co-extruded film, the company announced. A. F. (Tony) Thomas, president, said "a small increase" in employment could be expected. The installation at the Carrollton, Ohio, facility should be on stream by mid-1985, he added. Ohio Poly Corporation was acquired by Goodyear one year ago as a wholly owned subsidiary. Employment at its plants in Carrollton and in Bowling Green, Ky., is about 200. The company produces polyolefin films, including

stretch pallet wrap, shrink bundling film, colored and clear flat sheeting, tubes and bags, for such markets as automotive, construction, food, medical, chemical and machinery.

The reawakened giant of the tire industry. That's how writer Kenneth Labich pictures Goodyear in a major feature in the May 28 issue of FORTUNE, the business magazine. Not content with a secure grip on one-third of the U. S. tire business and nearly one-fifth of the world market, the company is looking to diversification into aerospace and energy in search of faster growth, according to the report. These business areas are less cyclical and more profitable than tires, the article points out, and the acquisitions that will be necessary to achieve desired growth will not be without risk. "Goodyear's hopes are high," according to FORTUNE. The company is adept at beating the odds, the magazine notes. It refused to join other U. S. producers in hiding from the radial challenge posed by Michelin and regained command of the world's tire business by making its plants the most efficient in the industry, its quality the best and by achieving strong gains in worker productivity. Goodyear was credited with 20 percent of the world tire market, France's Michelin with 13 percent and Japan's Bridgestone with 8 percent. "We could have sat here fat, dumb and happy, being king of the buggywhip business," Chairman Robert E. Mercer is quoted. "But we would have wound up in second place, and that's not our charter." According to FORTUNE, "most industry analysts now say Goodyear earnings are about to rocket upward," and are predicted to run about \$4.25 a share this year compared to \$3.06 in 1983. Despite this improvement, however, the slow-growth tire business isn't achieving Mercer's goals of a five-percent return on sales (versus 3.1 percent in 1983) and a 15-percent return on stockholders' equity (versus 10.1 percent). The avenue for reaching these objectives, he told FORTUNE, is to bring sales of the company's aerospace and oil and gas subsidiaries up to half of the total from the present 25 percent -- while still gaining market share in the core tire business. The story said that Goodyear Aerospace, whose sales are enjoying a steady upward curve, would have to sustain a growth rate of 43 percent to push its business to a 25-percent share of the corporate total in five years. That means, according to FORTUNE, that "the company will need an acquisition or two to boost the operation to the size Mercer wants."

Goodyear directors have authorized the continued development during 1984 of its previously announced west to east crude oil pipeline project. This will include acquisition of rights-of-way and commitments for materials and services for the project, which has been extended 400 miles to the Texas Gulf Coast. The newly expanded project contemplates the construction of a 30-inch heated pipeline to transport heavy crude oil from offshore California 1,600 miles to existing refineries on the Gulf Coast. The project is expected to cost approximately \$840 million, plus capitalized interest. Providing all required approvals and permits are received, construction could begin in late 1984 or early 1985, and completed in 1987.

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