

Schaefer Sends Thanks to All For Great Job

The following statement was sent from Washington by J. E. Schaefer who was in the capital on business when Japan officially accepted the Allied surrender terms:

"Our first words of praise and prayers of thankfulness go to our Armed Services for a tremendous job well done, after which we in Wichita can reflect proudly on the part we have been privileged to play in support of those Services.

"We at Boeing-Wichita first provided the Kaydet primary trainers with which to train the pilots who later accredited themselves so splendidly, and then it was our privilege to build a majority of the bombers which figured so prominently in determining the final outcome.

"Our work, at least for the next few months, will be to build at Plant I B-29 spare parts required to man strategic Superfortress bases in the Pacific, followed by a participating program with Boeing-Seattle in supplying attrition equipment for those bases, sub-assemblies for a continuing (though greatly reduced) B-29 program at Seattle, and also in participating in the building of Stratocruisers and C-97's for our airlines and Air Forces.

"It has been—and is for all of us—a privilege to have had a part in such dramatic, history-making events. So to paraphrase a Pearl Harbor song title, and with no intention to be sacrilegious, but in all seriousness, 'praise the Lord but store the ammunition,' at least until we are sure where we are.

"Finally, thanks a thousand fold to all the fine people in and out of Boeing-Wichita who have made it possible to send such a message as this one."

Old Friends at Boeing Now Serve Together

The end of the war found Sgts. John B. Hall and Bob Schneider at the B-29 base in Alamogordo, N. M. Good friends while they were at Boeing, the Army career of each has been almost parallel. They have been stationed together at Boise, Idaho, Lincoln, Nebr., and Topeka, Kan.

Before entering the service Hall was in Department 72 in charge of parts cost accounting on second shift. He is now an R.T.C. command gunner on a B-29.

Schneider, ex-foreman of Shop 335, is a B-29 tail gunner.

Golfers Have Until Monday to Qualify

Because the plants were closed on August 15—deadline for entering the Boeing handicap golf tournament—it was announced by Recreation that qualifying cards would be accepted as late as Monday, August 20. Cards should be turned in at the Recreation office, Plant II or at the Sim Park office.

Contestants who have terminated or expect to terminate within a few days are asked to contact the Recreation office.

Pay Policy

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war plants in Wichita closed for Wednesday and Thursday.

"While we have carefully avoided any statement of pay policy, based on the wide publicity given original announcements, we are sure Boeing-Wichita employees numbering over 16,000 are expecting pay for the two days off and undoubtedly there will be considerable disgruntledness if not actual ill will toward the company and the administration if pay is not made. We note from the newspapers also that many local government employees are taking Thursday as well as Wednesday.

"It is understood that there is to be one or more legal holidays when official agreements are signed. It appears that this momentous event will be anti-climax. To the people the war was over with the announcements of the 14th. It would appear that further legal holidays are not required or will not be appreciated particularly since they will find many people already on enforced holidays without jobs.

"It would be appreciated if some clarifying statement could be given us that we could distribute to our employees by means of our regular plant publication—Plane Talk. Anything for insertion should be in our hands by noon Friday. If you would care to discuss this further or ask any questions concerning it, either Mr. Schaefer or Mr. Murray can be reached at Republic 2898, 507 American Security Building, Washington, D. C."

Shop 510 Folks Pick Right Day



SIX HOURS BEFORE THE TIME Japan's surrender was announced, Shop 510 was celebrating the coming event with a Dutch lunch. About 90 of the shop's employees and others assigned to the shop area joined in the noontime festivities. The food, capably served by Shop 510 people, was prepared in the cafeteria kitchens

PARK MOVIES AS USUAL SUNDAY AND TUESDAY

"Tales of Manhattan" is the motion picture attraction Sunday night at Boeing park. Forty-four stars and feature players Rita Hayworth, Charles Boyer and Ginger Rogers, appear in this major cinema achievement which blends drama, comedy, music, romance and stirring action.

Tuesday, August 21, the show will be the rip-roaring western picture "Three Men from Texas" starring William Boyd, Andy Clyde, and Russell Hayden. The same show will be presented for second shifters' entertainment Wednesday morning following work.

Safety Glasses Stop Drill Bit

The only reason Lillie McCombs isn't nursing a bad eye these days (or possibly wearing a glass optic) is that she happened to be wearing safety glasses at 12:30 p.m., August 8.

Mrs. McCombs was going about her business of drilling on a B-29 aft bomb bay section when her drill bit broke. She heard a sharp crack and with that one lens of her spectacle-type safety glasses cracked into a hundred or so



COMPARE NOTES—Ida Kirkendall (left) and Lillie McCombs, both of Shop 335, know what can happen when a drill bit breaks

pieces. The pieces held together and so there was no accident to Mrs. McCombs—only to the glasses.

When she showed the battered specs to Foreman Ralph Herwig (335), he immediately got in touch with Safetyman Sam Clements who assured Mrs. McCombs that he would see that she got a new pair of glasses.

Ida Kirkendall (335), who works on the same vertical jig with Mrs. McCombs, took a look at the damaged glasses and joined her co-worker in a testimonial for protective eye equipment. It wasn't long ago, explained Foreman Herwig, that Ida had experienced a similar accident. In that instance, the drill bit had struck her safety glasses so hard that one lens was knocked loose from its frame. She wasn't injured.

"Either accident could have been serious—might very well have cost the sight of an eye," added Clements.

HERE'S A CLEAN ONE

"A little bundle from Heaven came to our house yesterday."
"Boy or girl?"
"Neither, my laundry came back!"

B-29's Bow Out Of National in Early Rounds

Loaded with new men but sadly lacking in punch, the Boeing B-29's bowed out of the National Semi-Pro baseball tournament Tuesday night with a 3-1 loss to Orlando (Fla.) AAF. The B-29's lost their previous start 1-0 Sunday to Williams Field.

The veteran B-29's played the Florida Flyers on even terms until the last of the sixth when the AAF team pushed across a run that broke a 1-1 tie. Boeing threatened in the seventh when they loaded the bases then failed to get the ball out of the infield.

Dannels pitched for the B-29's, giving way in the eighth to Johnson.

Miscues cost Boeing its first game of the tourney Sunday afternoon, the deciding boot coming in the last half of the ninth with two away.

Williams threatened throughout the game but good fielding saved the B-29's until the fateful ninth.

Mackie of Walker AAF pitched for Boeing, allowing 11 hits. Peterson, the Arizona hurler, gave up only three hits.

Plants Calm as News Of Victory Received

Hours of tense waiting ended suddenly early Tuesday evening for thousands of Boeing-Wichita employees as they heard the joyous news that Japan had surrendered.

At the plants where second shift employees had been at work little more than an hour, an announcement at 6:05 p.m. over the public address system was greeted with careful attention.

There was little cheering but there were many smiles, exclamations of joy and perhaps a few tears as Boeing men and women learned that the grim battle with Japan had ended.

Informed that they were dismissed for the remainder of the shift, factories and offices cleared with astonishing rapidity and with no disorder. Traffic moved smoothly and safely as employees with admirable restraint waited until they were well away from the plants to give vent to their pent-up emotions.

The plants remained closed until Friday morning at 6 o'clock when first shifters returned to work.

Shop 205 Sets Perfect Record on Five Days

Of their own accord first shift employees in Shop 205 set an exceptional attendance record during the month of July, it is reported by Foreman Morrow Hecht. They managed five days perfect attendance and seven days with only one absence exclusive of vacations and leaves.

SERVES IN SOUTH PACIFIC

T/Sgt. H. E. Jones is stationed in the Philippines. A former riveter in Department 38, he terminated in November, 1942. Since entering military service Jones has seen duty at Bougainville, Dutch New Guinea, Fiji Islands, Morotai Island, Sula Archipelago, New Caledonia, Guadalcanal, and Australia.

Every man is a hero in his own home—until the company leaves.

Softball Game, Pet Parade on Sunday Program

Boeing park will be open as usual Sunday night with a full entertainment program planned for all employees, their families and friends, it was announced Friday by Hank Brunk, Recreation director.

Beginning at 7 p.m. there will be a softball game with the crack Boeing girls' team, the Boeing Bombshells, meeting Department 72's Accountants. With Balsters on the mound for the Bombshells, the fast Treasury club is expecting a tough battle. It promises to be a great game for the fans.

The main attraction in the park amphitheater will be the pet parade beginning about 8:45 with Milo Knutson, KFBI news editor, as master of ceremonies.

Prizes will be offered for the most unusual pet, the best-dressed pet, the cleverest pet, etc. Children are especially invited to bring their pets and take part in the contest. Those who have not already entered may do so by appearing at the amphitheater stage by 8:15.

Tentative arrangements also have been made for other entertainment.

A feature-length motion picture will be shown immediately following the stage show.

SHOP SWAP

Shop Swap items must include name, shop number, shift, home address and home telephone (if any). The deadline is Monday. Send items to PLANE TALK, Room 218, Adm. building, PLANT II. No ads by telephone.

FOR SALE

- Kroehler living room suite; 2 bedroom suites, complete; Lawrence gas range; 9x12 rug, pad; washing machine; rollaway bed, mattress; breakfast set, 4 chairs; misc. articles. Bowen (58-2), 1124 Pershing.
- Chrome manure table, chairs; dressettes with circle plate glass mirrors; Shelton permanent wave machine. Reece (86), 1364 Bluffview Dr., 6-6227.
- Fruit jars, 25c doz.; I. Miller alligator strap shoes, size 6AAA; copper color leather pumps, 3/4AAA. Holleman (71), 1314 S. Pershing, 6-5050.
- Mexican coffee table; writing desk, 3-pc. Hollywood bedroom suite; breakfast table, benches. Caldwell (71), 4649 E. Fees.
- Underwood typewriter, \$35; portable Victrola 110 V.A.C., \$55; arbor grind stone, attaches to motor by belt, \$5; table cream separator, \$5. O'Hara (AAF) 136 S. Florence.
- Blue Lodge Masonic ring. Deisroth (73), 3304 E. Douglas, 4-9120.
- Armstrong portable electric mangle, GE refrigerator. Von Merveldt (52), 1921 Mentor, 3-0135.
- 7-tube radio, \$20; sewing machine, \$20. Walker (58), 2521 Aloma.
- Challenger flute, Spicer (51-2), 431 Pennsylvania, 3-0661. (Or trade) Trustone car radio for table radio. Mateer (60-1), 1348 Bluffview.
- 3-burner gasoline stove; No. 12 DeLaval cream separator; Hub City valve seat replacement tool; Apollo motor gas set for valve and ignition timing; metal medicine cabinet. Phelps (14-2), 1405 N. Waco.
- Interest in Fleet, Model 9, airplanes with 125 h.p. motor. Turner (61-1), 3136 S. Yale.
- Child's tricycle; metal wagon; metal pedal car. Woodward (210-1), 4571 E. Neely Lane.
- Boy's bicycle, 26" balloon tires. Fowler (100-1), 4132 Cessna Dr.
- Ladies' riding boots, size 6; hardwood high chair. Trade Winchester 20-25 single barrel for .22 rifle. Jones (50-2), 2314 E. Bayley, 3-6639.
- Electric carpet sweeper, \$15; under carriage for trailer including axle, springs; 2 wheels; 2 5.75x15 tires, \$20. Moore (61), 3-3731.
- 22 Austra white hens, 1 yr. old. C. E. Jordan (86), Peck, Kan.
- Maytag engine, \$25; Briggs & Stratton, \$35; Fitzgerald vibrator, \$5. Keller (22), 3108 Old S. Broadway north of 11-1/2 Do Club.
- 4-wheel trailer; electric motor; chain hoist; 4.50x21 inner tube; 34-36 V-8 transmission; 34 V-8 gas tank; 12-ga. Stevens double barrel shotgun shells; 2 music stands. Adams (200-2), 249 Pennsylvania.
- 3-pc. solid oak dining room suite; Girl Scout dress, size 14; boy's felt hat, size 6 1/2; boy's sport coat, size 12; high chair with tray; folding day bed, mattress; garden cultivator. Herrmann (524), 115 McComas, 4-2057.
- Child's bed, \$9. Motter (74), 143 N. Ash, 4-1097.
- Coleman butane apt. range, \$60. Lawson (44), 312 Clayton, 4-2814.
- 41 Model B-A-C tractor with power take-off; cultivator; bench grinder. Bond (226-1), 1117 N. Terrace Dr., 5-7211.
- 8 mm. projector, \$25. Wawter (8), 640 S. Sycamore.
- .22 bolt action repeater rifle, \$15. Epperson (74-1), 4-7570.
- 2-wheel trailer, 8'x4' bed, 16" wheels. Munn (83-1), 4053 Ross Parkway.
- 3-octave studette xylophone. Richmond (46), 2650 Grail, 4-9208.
- .22 pistol; 22 long rifle automatic; 12-ga. L. C. Smith double barrel, 30.06 Savage rifle. Henry (74-1), 1557 N. Erie, 5-6007.
- Folding play pen; 2-burner gas heater, walnut finish. Duran (405-1), 1911 Laura.
- Child's pedal fire truck. Shaddock (60), 1506 Bluffview.
- Simmon's youth bed, innerspring mattress; 32 automatic pistol; child's desk; child's scooter; girl's winter and spring coats, size 10-12 yrs. Neer (50), 3273 E. Cessna.
- 3 1/2 to 3 3/4 men's Hamilton 20-jewel railroad watch. Peckham (140), 2 1/2 miles north of Keochi on Oliver.
- Breeding Does; frying rabbits. Miller (404), 1547 W. 23rd St.
- Black male cocker spaniel, 6 mos. Becker (50-2), 872 Buffum, 3-6491.
- 6-pc. dining room suite. Phelps (52), 4173 E. Steele.
- 21' Alma trailer house, electric brakes; 2-wheel trailer; 1-gal. ice cream freezer; large and small metal wagons, tricycles. Wilson (60-1), 2327 N. Hydraulic.
- Apt. size washing machine. Harrison (71-1), 4213 Kellogg. Piano, bench, \$60. Tweten (600-2), 3162 S. Dellrose.
- Blue sectional furniture without springs; light mahogany end tables, book shelf. Pope (74-1), 1058 N. Broadway, 2-1782.
- Hoover vacuum sweeper, Warnow (68-2), 2120 S. Hydraulic.
- Studio divan; upholstered rocker; stenotype machine. Heck (72-1), 1908 E. Orme, 2-2014.
- Trailer house, sleeps 4. Dieffenbaugh (63), 637 N. Court.
- Glider, near completion, high efficiency, sail plane 48" span. McVey (71), 2815 E. Central, 3-7765.
- 10" Atlas engine lathe, complete with 1/3 h.p. motor and 3 chucks; Brown and Sharpe No. 607, depth mikes.
- 0"-9" rods; Starrett No. 122 vernier calipers 0-12". Gideon (100-2), 3178 S. Dellrose.
- (Or trade) .22 cartridges for 45 pistol cartridges; 2-wheel trailer; 1/4 h.p. electric motor. De Graffenreid (72-2), 1607 N. Emporia, 2-8073.
- (Or trade) 16-ga. shotgun shells for 12-ga. shells. Taylor (124-2), 1028 Munnell.
- 1939-61 OHV H-D motorcycle; 6.00x16 recapped tire. Freed (226-2), 247 S. Hillside.
- 6.50x15 tire. Hansen (61), 2414 Aloma, 4-0583.
- 1941 table model Westinghouse radio, \$30. Swank (42), 1332 N. Lorraine.
- (Or trade) 6.00x16 tire for 5.00x20. McCullough (533-1), 500 Bebe.
- Set of golf clubs, bag; 3 Black and Decker electric hand drills; 2 9x9 and 8x9 blue Wilton rugs; 3 extra throw rugs. Mendenhall (53-1), 2610 Grail, 5-8883.
- 2 V-8 wheels, fit model A and V-8's up to '35, \$5 ea. Dugel (18-2), 641 S. Poplar.
- GE waffle iron. Frazier (223-1), 5-1581.