

the *Crown* CRIER



TERRY BALDWIN WINS ! ! !

Terry Baldwin won CROWN's Supernationals on Monday afternoon 6-14.

He took the first game (21-16) easily with a relentless pounding against Lucy Miller's sporadic brilliant playing. Lucy really began to hit her stride on the second game, but Terry pulled it out at (21-19) with several shots off the net and two that hit the edge of the table.

Lucy won the ladies division by beating Sue Gates in an exciting two out of three match. Terry won his side by mopping up Mac two out of two. Both players played excellent ping-pong throughout the tourney. Both players had the toughest routes in their respective divisions.

Good sportsmanship was shown by all participants throughout the tourney. And, folks did not comment on the judges abject dicisions.

There will be a doubles tourney scheduled in the near future, with a handicap provision in the tourney. Please give some thought to who your partner will be and get in some practice. GO, GO, GO !!

Rascals Accountable

John Bachman, Feature Editor
Phyllis Gates, Production Chief
Mike Murdick, Columnist
Laveta Randall, Guest Columnist
Mac, Held-in-bondage

From Engineering:

The guys in Engineering have been more than busy lately. Many different projects are interspersed among the usual assortments of interruptions.

A special project just completed was a wow and flutter meter for Lowell Huffman to use in "Wow & Time". Although there are plans for only three of these machines there have already been the usual comments like "That's a beautiful machine." "Let's put it in production." It's a much more accurate and sensitive machine than the old unit which was used before. One of it's main achievements has been to tell Lowell (much more accurately than before) if his tape machines are out of "spec" and that he has a long job ahead of him to make them work. There is general agreement among many people (frequently our customers) that our tape drive needs some work.

Wayne B. has been spending a lot of time getting ready for the future. The two big projects are a new building for the Boardroom and the Woodworking shop, and preparing the quality control data for the new computer which will be installed sometime this year. Engineering is also looking forward to using the computer to help in design problems. We may even try to find a new prime number.

Don E., back with us full time for the summer after waging a victorious battle for a semester with I.U.S.B., has been working on a new CROWN Voltmeter. The features of this new unit promises to be a great help in many areas.

A radio station control console for a new station in Panama has been keeping Verne S. busy. We're looking forward to shipping it out and seeing CROWN participate in yet another missionary radio project.

EMPLOYEE'S FUND

"Question & Answer"

1. Who are the officers of the fund?

Don Eger & Lois Clem

2. What is the status of the fund?

Balance \$238.00

3. At what rate are we adding to the fund?

Approximately \$15.00/month
This is due to the addition of the coffee and donuts.

4. Several persons have mentioned a new pop machine. Has any thought been given to this?

Yes, but a case of pop costs \$2.70/case and we are selling it for \$2.40/case which is a loss. Also it is difficult to buy a bottle cooler. Most companies want to sell can coolers.

5. If a person is not satisfied with the products what can they do?

We could use some ideas in this area.

6. What other areas does the fund get in to?

Going away parties for persons leaving CROWN; plant for employee in hospital; flowers for the funeral of employees immediate family; an outfit for a new addition to the family.

Good-bye Boardroom.....

Larry Dennison has a funny smile on his face these days. Also a slight skip in his step and a suppressed giggle under his breath. Do you suppose he really enjoys tearing that old boardroom apart?

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FIRST CROWN TOUR A SUCCESS

Six cars and a motorcycle with 25½ people left CROWN at 7:07 p.m. Friday the 21st of ~~XXXX~~ May, for a trip to I & M's Twin Branch Plant at Osceola.

The Twin Branch plant was established in 1925 and has a capacity of 350,000 KV (which is not enough for this area).

When we arrived at the plant, we were split up into two groups for the duration of the tour. Upon entering the plant, I was struck by the similarity of the layout to an engine room of a large ship.

There was a large amount of noise so that talk was hardly possible. We were impressed by the huge generators and furnaces with their tangle of attached pipes.

We were also impressed by some of the facts that we were given. At peak capacity the use of coal a day was 2500 ton. To put it another way, the fifteen story high furnaces can burn 125 carloads of coal in a day (which is a lot of shovelfulls).

Those furnaces can turn 550,000 lb of water into steam in an hour. The steam is then fed into curved blades which causes the generator to turn, which causes the electrical power.

The switching of the generator on or off the line is controlled by a computer at Canton, Ohio. The computer determines the load requirements and the cost factors.

There are about 125 employees at the Twin Branch Plant currently. This is down from a high of 350 at the end of W.W. II.

There are also some hydro-generators on the river, however these do not create enough power to meet the needs of the main plant. I & M controls the river level for local sewage disposal and industry.

One thing that stuck with me is that there can be no inventory of electricity and it must be created at all times.

by Richard McCreary

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MURDOCK'S MUD

Many moons have passed and the great yellow light in the sky has set on various and sundry deeds, both good and evil.

After having pondered this weighty decision for several hours, over many cups of coffee, "This reporter", * decided not to continue with the grand tour of the front office. The thought occurred to me all you folks out there in newspaper land ain't really interested anyway.

This leaves me with very little subject matter. However, I feel I must deliver the essence of some sudden, flash, quickie, and monumental decisions of management.

After many high-level management conferences, CROWN International will henceforth and forever more specialize in the manufacturing of professional tape recorders, players, amps and motorcycle repair. For futher details, see Mr. Moore.

"Well, that's about the size of it"**, remember, June is national dairy monthso take a cow out to lunch.

*=direct quote from Howard Kosell,
Speaking of Sports.

**=also lifted from the great John Wayne.

SWAP SHOP

This is gonna be a regular section in the "Crier", so let us hear about the junk in the garage. It could even make you a couple of bucks.

For Sale: Rustic truck. A modest \$2000. Used to gobs of loving care. Knock in engine keeps time to music on radio. (Radio needs work). See Mac.

For Sale: Auto tachometer. Brand name. \$15 See S. Peer.

For Sale: Picnic tables. Made to order (7 ft. long) Made of white pine with red-wood stain. Delivered by VW bus. See D. Stuber.

NUCLEAR ELECTRICITY

Tom Szerencse once again pulled off a spectacular tour last Sunday. We went to the Cook Nuclear Center on beautiful Lake Michigan.

The Center is billed as Southwestern Michigan's newest educational and entertainment attraction. It is educational in the sense that they teach some nuclear theory and they do it in an entertaining fashion. It is always an education in the amount of money a power company will spend to impress the public. Aside from the beautiful surroundings, the tour consisted of three theaters.

The first theater gave a movie, with lots of strange colors and music. It detailed the history of nuclear energy and explained how an atomic reactor works. It also used some soft sell techniques to try to convince us that nuclear energy doesn't pollute.

In the second theater everyone stood in a circle and looked down into a hole which held a scale model of the Cook Center. When we all were in position, the model was lifted up to us and it had several sections. Each section had a tape recorded voice and various visual displays which explained that part of the system. After each section was explained, the entire model rotated until another section stopped in front of us and it was explained.

After we went through all of the areas being explained, the model was lowered and all of the lights were turned on and we got the talk all over again with all of the lights flashing and control rods controlling and so on.

The third theatre consisted of about twenty screens in a circle and pictures flashed all over the place. The pictures and sound gave a general presentation of the electric business with a lot of weird visual and audio displays thrown in to the message.

I don't think that we had any of our marketing people on the tour. This is too bad because I learned a lot of things that I hadn't seen used before.

I understand Tom is considering a tour to the Heathkit Company. I'm going.

Mac & Shirley

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KROWN KOMENTS

John Bachman is on the countdown to launch into the marital orbit. His co-pilot will be Patty Bartlett. Launch date is August 14, 1971.

Pat Rink is getting ready to also co-pilot her trip into the marital orbit. Pat and Denny Evans set their launch date for September 18, 1971.

Sue Gates is floating around these days. One might think she is practicing to be a star from the way she glows. Except that I didn't know stars could turn red! Remember Sept. 11 for a special day. HMMMM.

The Engineering Department is always experimenting with something, but I never knew you could get the outdoors to cool off by putting Plastic over doorways. What is the trick and how soon do you plan to bring back summer??

Speaking of the Engineering Dept., that puzzle they had the last time looked more like a joke to me. (And they didn't tell us the answer).

I have a suggestion, that each issue have a word or phrase relating to electronics and an explanation as to what the meaning is. For example: What is "hertz" or is it "hurts"?

It looks as though we are again blessed with the summer help. Arnie and Dee Studebaker have been working at a mission in Arizona. We understand that Arnie will be teaching in Arizona this fall. Is the rumor mill grinding out the correct info?

We see that R. Eger is back again. He is out in the machine shop so Sylvia Miller cannot pick on him.

Speaking of Sylvia Miller, I understand she has a new pad. I didn't know they rented out childrens play houses.

Plus further comments:

The ping-pong table has been blessed with the presence of Don Florea....
He also puts some time in at the Service Department.

A roving reporter has caught Lowell Huffman lecturing a fellow employee.
It went something like this, "Too much food for thought causes a FAT HEAD".
Lowell also claims Confucious was his uncle.

WOODY's Joke Board:

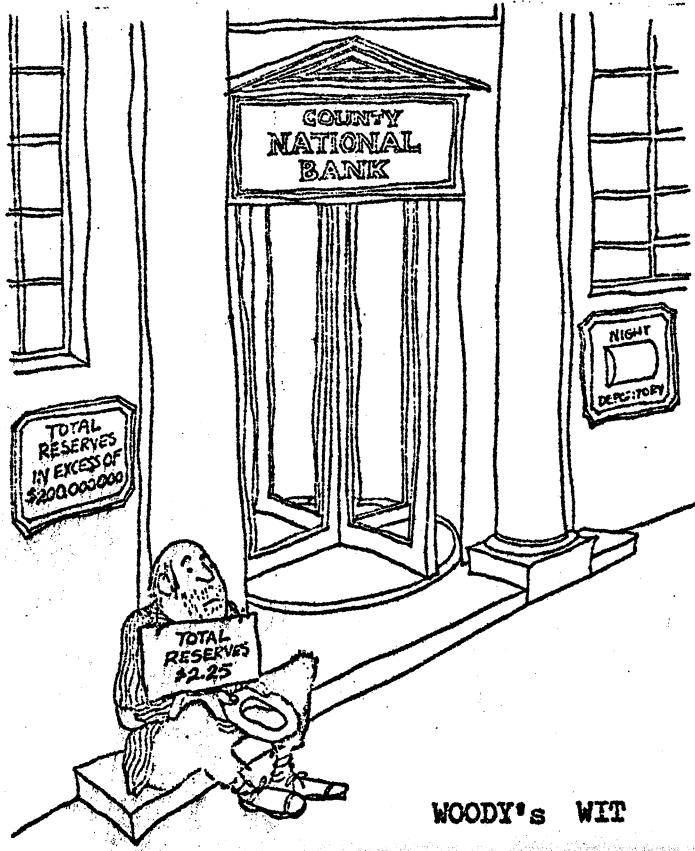
The bulletin board in the Tech. Dept. has been turned into a haven for unwanted jokes. It seems the jokes point an accusing finger at employees. Stop by on your break and see if the finger points at you.

Art Show?

The Tech Dept is going to sponsor an art show. Get your kid's crayons out and warmed up. The next issue will state the whys and wherefors.

BY THE WAY,

If Tom Szerencse doesn't stop being so ornery, several people at CROWN are going to gang up on him and give him a Swirlee.



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