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TRY NEW IDEAS

Mrs. Gladys Mechling works in the small motor division of the Westinghouse Company, in Lima, Ohio. When her son became a navy flier, she decided to get a job for herself, and that is what she did.

The job that came into her hand to do was to bend a thin strip of copper for the armature of a generator cut-out. This, when completed, went into a war plane to guard its electrical system. The bending of the strip of copper was slow work; it was accomplished by taking hold of the strip of copper by hand and bending it around a rod fixed on the workbench.

One day Mrs. Mechling asked a supervisor if there wasn't some quicker and easier way to do this. He said, "Oh, no! It has always been done that way."

When she did not seem convinced, he said, "Hundreds of people have worked at this job. If the job could be done in a better way, some of them would have thought of it."

Mrs. Mechling decided to try, anyway. So she "put a handle on a bobby pin." That is the way the others in the factory expressed it. She took two small metal prongs, shaped like the ends of a bobby pin, and fastened them in a screwdriver handle. Then with a single twist of the wrist, the sheet of copper could be bent into the correct shape. By the use of this simple device, she could do in three and one-half hours the work that formerly had taken five hours.

Compeny officials were so impressed by the effectiveness of this simple device that they gave her a cash award of $111, and a $25 war bond.

The important thing here is that Mrs. Mechling, a houswife, worked out something that none of the learned engineers around the plant had thought of.

Charles R. Riker of this plant made a significant statement. He is the coordinator of suggestions for the company, and has examined 17,000 ideas. Of this number, he says that 5,380 were accepted and put to work. He says: "In going over these ideas and in studying them, I am more and more impressed with this truth. good ideas are just common sense."

WESTERN MERITS

The writer has just completed a 5,600 mile motor trip through the Rocky Mountain country of Colorado, Wyoming, Montana and Alberta, Canada. Its magnificent beauty defies description and to live and die in the United States and not make a "jalopy" or a Cadillac trip through this district should be considered a capital crime.

Strangely enough one's first impression, as he steps off the train anywhere in the West, is the politeness of its people. You've been "shoved" aboard in New York and you are "helped" off in say Denver. If you have passed the age of fifty you are addressed as "Sir"; and it seems to be taken for granted that a woman is a lady. If one telephones for hotel accommodations the reply is, "Yes, Sir, we will be glad to take care of you,' or, "We are very sorry, mam, but we have not one room left for tonight; we will try to get accommodations for you in another hotel if you wish us to." The filling station attendant has a smile and a polite word, and in a restaurant one is treated just like a human being. Even the shop girls are courteous and polite — believe it or not! It must be climatic, or geographic, or something — because the pullman porter who grudgingly showed you your bunk in New York almost condescends to smale at you west of the Mississippi.

PENSION FUND RUNNING BEHIND

A memorandum read by Colonel Ober revealed that under the present methods of contributing to the fund, both by members and the State, the pension system is running into insolvency.

"An acturial examination of the liabilities under the law has been made which discloses that as of December 31, 1945, the fund needed a current contribution of 15.08 per cent of the pay roll, or $60,634 per annum, plus an accrued liability contribution of 4.71 per cent of the pay roll, or $18,938 per annum, a toal of $79,572," the memorandum from the committee stated.

"Against this, the members contributed 3.5 per cent of the pay roll. or $14,073 per year, leaving a contribution of 16.29 per cent to be made by the State. or an annual payment of $65,499 to operate the fund on a sound basis.

"The State has been contributing at the rate of 3.5 per cent of the pay roll, or $14,073, per annum, with the result that the system is running into insolvency.'

The following suggestions were made by the actuarial committee:

1. That the present benefits be left unchanged.

2. That the contribution of members be raised to cover approximately one half the normal cost of the benefits payable, which would be an increase from the present three and one half to seven and one half per cent.

3. That the State hereafter pay the balance of the normal cost and

"Confusion Worse Confounded"

PENNSY. RAILROAD OFFICIAL DIES

Thomas F. Shortall, former Inspector-Train Service on the Delmarva Division of the Pennsylvania Railroad, with headquarters at Cape Charles, Va., from April, 1930 until retired from active service on December 9, 1937, died at his home in Clayton, Del., on Monday, Sept. 30th, following a lingering illness which had confined him to his bed the past several months.

Mr. Shortall became affiliated with the former Delaware Division as a messenger on January 1, 1892, and was advanced to clerk and operator prior to his promotion to Train Dispatcher on December 7, 1907. He was appointed Chief Train Dispatcher on June 8, 1911, Movement Director, June 16, 1921, and Inspector-Train Service, February 1, 1927, in which position he remained until his retirement.

"Tom" or "Chief' as he was affectionately known over the entire Delmarva Division, was born in Easton, Md., on August 10, 1876. His father had been Engineman on the Oxford Branch of the railroad, and it was natural for him to become interested in railroading. He first worked at Clayton during his early days on the Delaware Division, transferred to Wilmington when divisional headquarters were moved there, and again to Cape Charles when the former Delaware and Norfolk Divisions were consolidated and the Delmarva Division formed on April 16, 1930. He underwent a serious throat operation in 1928 for the removal of the larynx and vocal cords which proved successful, and quickly mastered the use of an artificial larynx to a point where he was frequently called upon for public demonstrations.

Funeral services were held at 2:30 P. M. Thursday, October 3rd. from McCreary's Funeral Home at 2700 Washington St., Wilmington, Delaware.

REAL ESTATE SALES OFF DUE TO HIGH PRICES

Mounting buyer resistance to top real estate prices has resulted in a sharp dip in sales of used homes, wtih many brokers reporting the number of sales in recent weeks down 50 per cent as compared with peak activities, a survey has disclosed.

On the whole listings are mounting. Fearing a buyers' strike. many owners who previously had been reluctant to sell, believing the peak in prices a long way off, have lately rushed to dispose of holdings.

Recent upsets in the stock market and the continuing number of strikes are said to have spurred a wave of new listings.

Prices have declined in isolated instances. The decline in sales, which first manifested itself in June, and has continued unchecked since then, has not been accompanied by a general drop in prices of houses.

In fact, new highs for houses in both high-priced and low-priced brackets in widely scattered sections have been chalked up in recent weeks, several real estate dealers have revealed.

Brokers whose sales slumped during the summer months suspected buyers had taken a holiday. It was surmised that many would-be home owners had taken to the highways to make up for projected trips denied them by wartime rationing of gasoline and tires.

They comforted themselves and fellow brokers by predicting selling would be revived to near former levels after Labor Day.

The expected revival in buying, however, has not yet appeared.

Some of the reasons given by brokers for theslowdown in sales follow:

1. Financial institutions are increasingly reluctant to grant nome-purchase loans to former GI's on the basis of evaluations by Veterans Administration appraisers.

2. Speculators and investors are displaying increasing hesitation in buying properties offered at public auction sales and are marketing their holdings on a wholesale basis.

3. The buying scramble of a year ago has disappeared and purchasers now show restraint by submitting offers below asking prices, find fault with age, obsolescence and structural details of homes and interpose numerous objections not previously voiced when offering were by no means varied or as numerous as now.

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Naturally it puzzled some folks ... but Bert explains: "It gives me a kick to share things when I can afford to—whether it's the melons, or the lemonade, or beer. I guess I just like to indulge my whims."

From where I sit, if we had more "self-indulgent" people like Bert —who believe in share and share alike, live and let live, this tired world would be a whole lot better off!

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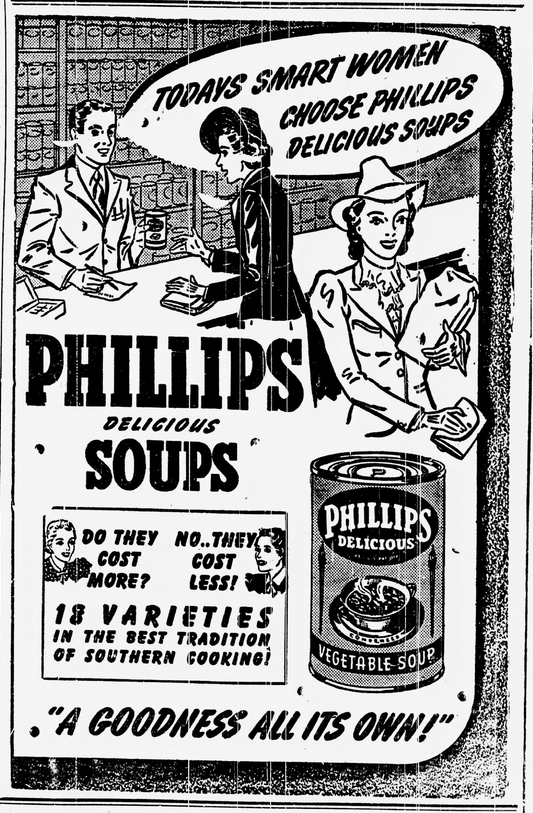

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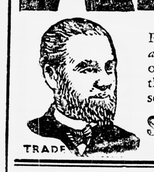

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