

GATES

STUDIO REVIEW

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THE JOB OF LOOKING AFTER THE QUALITY OF FINISHED GATES PRODUCTS is in the capable hands of our Test Laboratory. Basically, their job is to electronically and mechanically inspect all products manufactured by our company. Any product failing to meet established standards will be rejected and shipment held up until quality standards are met.

In addition, the Test Lab designs and builds test jigs and equipment so they may perform their duties more effectively. They repair and maintain all company test equipment, and assist our engineering crew in testing new and old products. They are also responsible for the test and repair of customer return equipment.

The personnel of this department, now numbering 21 people, is mostly male -- but -- there is "One Little Petunia in the Onion Patch" in the person of Marg Anderson. Omer Walton, foreman, has compiled some figures on the Gates years of service for his crew -- and they total over 131 years -- or slightly over an average of 6½ years per person!

In addition to many years with Gates, most of these people have been in some other phase of the radio or broadcasting field -- making a total of 230 years -- an average of 11 years per employee in our type of industry! The Test Laboratory and Gates Radio Company are proud of this technical record!



It is reassuring to know that people with so much technical experience are playing the role of "Watchdog" of Gates Quality. These men are assigned to test certain products in their daily responsibilities, and they are also qualified to work with other products as needed. For many years the slogan, "Quality Plus, Makes Gates A Must", has been a symbol of our company and products. The Test Laboratory has contributed greatly to the assurance that our customers associate Quality with Gates!

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GATES EMERGENCY SERVICE -- Several weeks ago the Studio Review carried an article on the emergency service maintained by our sales staff. The efficiency of this service was recently demonstrated during the Southland floods. Our Sales Engineer in Alabama and Mississippi, Bill Moats, worked days, nights and weekends, to service customers who had been flooded out. This resulted in orders for three BC-1 transmitters, and a tremendous amount of good will and customer confidence in Bill and in Gates.

Backing up Bill was the entire Quincy sales staff, who helped pack and load transmitters for emergency shipment. Franz Cherny received a complimentary letter from the General Manager of WXXX, Hattiesburg, Mississippi, expressing appreciation for help given during the flood. Other similar letters were received -- and we owe much gratitude to the men in the sales office who receive and handle calls at all hours of the night or on weekends, to ship transformers or other parts to customers in distress. These men are the unsung heroes of the Gates Sales organization -- Gene Edwards, Ray Jochem, Harry Cline, Bernie Giesler, Bill Ellis, Franz Cherny, and Tom Humphrey.

AN "EMPLOYER UNIT" is being sponsored by our company. High School boys in the 15 and over age group are eligible to join. There will be approximately 15 Employer Units in Quincy. The groups are now organizing and will be under way in a few weeks.

The purpose of this program is to provide high school boys with an opportunity to "explore" something that is of special interest to them. The 15 local groups will cover sports of all types, welding, engineering, pattern making, how to dress and act for different social functions, electronics, etc. Actually the topics or specific field covered in different groups will be determined by the interest of the boys.

As you can imagine, our company will sponsor an electronic group. The boys will determine the exact area they will "explore" in this field. We will provide them with advisors, and a place in our plant so they may work and "explore."

George Mallory is the Institutional Representative; Jim Corbit, Committee Chairman; Bill Lepper, Assistant Chairman; and Bob Nickerson, Advisor. Additional help is needed. Any Gates person interested in helping, particularly with the technical phase of this program, is urged to see George or Jim immediately. This is a fine opportunity for our people to further develop themselves by helping develop these boys.

Our local high schools are contacting boys about this program. However, if anyone has not received details -- contact any of the fellows mentioned above. The company is happy to participate in this program, and wants to help any interested high school boy "explore" the fascinating world of electronics.

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BIRTHS: Several new babies have recently arrived in Gates families -- A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Tom Dietzman. Tom is a member of Assembly 21. Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Ancell, Ronnie is also a member of Assembly 21, are the parents of a son born March 9. Ed Morawitz and his wife received a baby boy on March 13. Ed is a member of our Quality Control team. Virgil and Betty Krull's second child, and first daughter, arrived March 4. Virg is in drafting. Congratulations, everyone!

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WELCOME TO JOHN ROCHE who joined the company March 20 as Staff Assistant to George Mallory, Vice-President of Operations. John, his wife, Alice, and their 4 small children come to us from Buffalo, New York, where John was associated with Bell Aero Systems Company for several years. Welcome to the Roche family!

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THREE GATES ENGINEERS, John Birch, Bob Bush, and Bill Hoyt recently contributed their qualified efforts as judges in the Culver-Stockton College Annual Science Fair held at Canton, Missouri. The Science Fair is a part of a scholarship program held annually by Culver-Stockton. Prizes are awarded for the best exhibits at the Fair, and are contributed by the local Industrial Association.

TWO OTHER GATES ENGINEERS, Tom Armstrong and Ralph Haberstock spoke recently at a PTA Guidance Night. Many people in various vocations spoke -- and the students had an opportunity to hear two speakers of their choice during the evening. Tom gave a talk on Electrical Engineering and Ralph spoke on Radio Engineering. Congratulations to our men on their worthwhile contributions to the youth of our community.

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FOR SALE:

- *Singer Treadle sewing machine -- Archie Rice, BA3-6039.
- *Globe Scout Transmitter -- Hays Walther, BA2-1663.
- *For Sale or Trade -- 83" par metal rack cabinet -- Bill Kruse, BA3-4284.
- *"Under the Dash" car radio for 6 volt operation -- Rog Newell, Test Laboratory.
- *Elcor Tape Recorder, 2 speed -- Dick Dunlap, BA3-8152.
- *1959, 7½ hp. outboard motor -- 1958 25 hp. outboard motor -- 1960 Richline 16' Runabout, 50 hp. Evenrude Motor and controls, white leather interior, windshield, full canvas cover -- Francis Quattrocchi, Metal Fabrication.

WANTED:

- *Good used roto-tiller -- Helen Prisner, Eng'r. Dev.
- *Child's crib -- Harry Cline BA3-4679.
- *Riders from Hannibal -- working 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. shift -- AC1-6700.

FOR RENT: 2-room furnished apartment -- Large sleeping room -- Norma Buck BA2-4068.