

THE BIG JOB

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MAGNESIUM BOMBS RAIN FIRE ON BERLIN

Twice during March British night sweeps have rained destruction on Berlin. Hundreds of thousands of tons of high explosives have blown strategic areas into rubble. On each destructive raid incendiary bombs have been mixed into the downpour of blockbusters.

Those incendiaries are made of magnesium.

Every day American bombers are sight-bombing factories, submarine bases and other strategic Nazi centers across the English channel--and pulverizing enemy bases in Sicily and southern Italy. On every one of these raids incendiary bombs are mixed into the downpour of blockbusters. Those incendiaries are made of magnesium. That lays the war right in our laps here at BMI. Every factor, attitude or act that delays or decreases production here helps the enemy over there.

There is no secret about the fact that most of the alloy being produced here is bomb metal. Since we're not dropping bombs in America it doesn't take a Philadelphia law-

yer to figure out where that bomb metal is going. In the softening-up process in Europe--in the blasting of Italian bases from which materials flow to Rommel in Africa, magnesium incendiaries--lots of them--must be dropped to fire the works of the enemy.

Absenteeism in Nevada takes a weapon out of the hands of our boys in Europe and Africa. Fighting among war workers on the production front in America kills American boys on the war front in Africa. From over there by cable, by wireless and by personal messenger comes a persistent plea for more--and more--magnesium. It comes to you here at Basic--and you, and you, and you.

When Allied planes wiped out Cologne, according to official reports, 250,000 pounds of magnesium in bombs were dropped on the German City. Let that seep into your patriotic American noggin. A quarter of a million pounds in one single raid.

What does that mean to you, brother?

GIRLS TO DRIVE NAILS--MEN TO CHANGE DIDIES

A women's nail driving contest--a diaper changing contest for men--a ball game between Fat Men and the Hostess Club--these and other events have been arranged for the education and edification of men, women and kids at the First Annual BMI Office Workers Picnic to be held Sunday, April 11 from 11 a. m. until lots later at Larry McNeil's ranch picnic grounds. (Thank you, Mr. McNeil.) It will be a box lunch affair with beverages on sale at the grounds. There will be races and contests for girls, for men and for kids--obstacle races, three-legged races, a

square dance demonstration, music by BMI tunesters, community singing. Special committees have been assigned to take charge of the various events. The USO will direct contests for youngsters. The committee is as follows: Norman Clay, Clark Hardy, Bill Burke, Bob Adams, Charlie Etheridge, Al Weinberg, Roland Seibert, Ed Hamilton, Elsie Donaldson, Ruth Lusch, Zelta Reed, John Keyes, Joe Schulman.

You will be buttonholed for a reservation for yourself and family, if any.

ACCOUNTANTS DEFEAT HIGH SCHOOL TEAM IN SUNDAY LEAGUE GAME

Basic Auditors defeated the High School 19 to 6 in last Sunday's Basic Softball menu. Despite their defeat in their first showing the high school team showed pep and spirit which promise to make them a real contender in the circuit. Capt. Littlefield of the Fire Department won respect for his talent as an umpire.

The McNeil Rodbusters forfeited the night-cap when only a few players showed up for the game with Basic Engineers. A large crowd witnessed the Auditors' tilt with the High School.

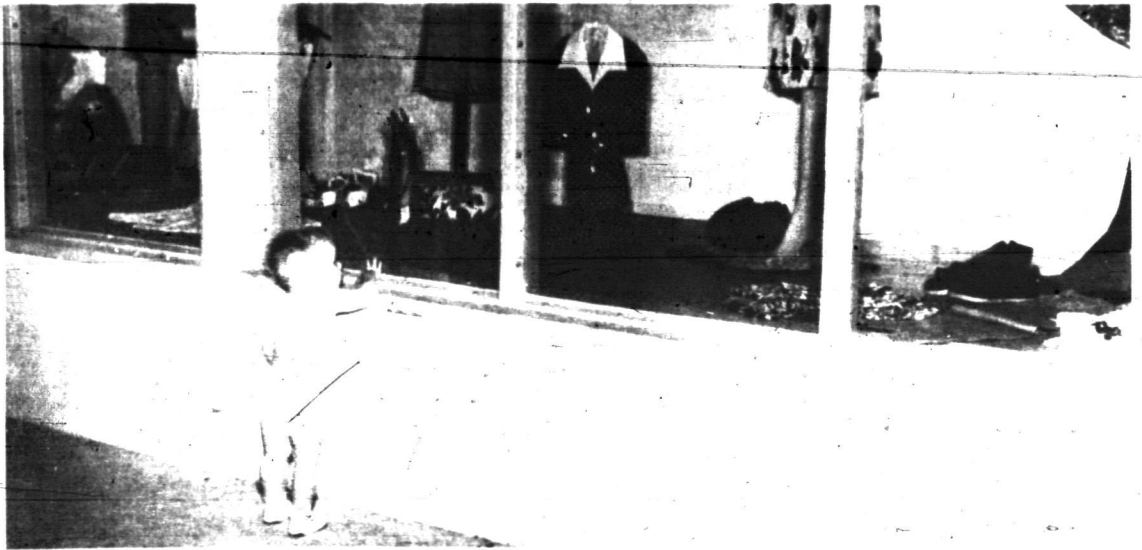
There will be three games next Sunday-at

11 a.m. at 1:30 p.m. and 4:30 p.m.

THREE TRUCKLOADS OF BASIC BEAUTS INVADE ARMY CAMP IN ARIZONA

Three big Army trucks pulled out of Basic Townsite last Saturday afternoon, loaded with three burbling bebies of beauty--fifty magnesiumpyums headed for Kingman, Arizona. There's an isolated Army supply post down there and mighty few gals. So the BMI Hostess Club went down to dance with the boys. After the dance they slept in the barracks and were driven back home Sunday. The girls took along a case of cigarettes for the lads. This week Saturday the girls are going to repeat the event--going to Indian Springs.

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Opening of the Department Store in the Townsite attracted a lot of buyers and/or window shoppers. Ronnie Kaylor, the production worker pictured above is figuring what to buy the girl friend for Easter. He's gotten

PICKED UP ON THE RUN

Mr. and Mrs. John Dennis Keyes--he's training supervisor in Personnel--are parents of a new baby girl, born Feb. 27 at BMI Hospital. Big John sat around all night, went home for a cup of coffee at dawn. When he returned he was a papa. . . . Telegram received by guy here from wife in E. A.: "Bring four pounds butter three bitter chocolate." He didn't. . . . Case you don't know it girls, there's a beauty Shop operating in Townsite business section. . . . They're getting ready to touch the button on the green light for the movin' picture theatre. Shorty Kimball in a horseback opinion says it ought to be ready by June 15. . . . Foremen, subforemen and any other employees interested are urged to take a first aid course to be given starting April 5 and to be conducted by Emery C. Olsen of the Bureau of Mines. Highly prized certificates from the B. of M. will be awarded to those completing the course. Lessons will pay especial attention to specific problems at BMI. For details consult Basic Safety department. . . Rationing staff at 107 Water Street can use some volunteer help. They're working like terriers. Housewives who can spare a few hours are urged to report. . . . Shorty Harrell, former McNeil and Basic employee writes from his hospital bed in Los Angeles that the \$300 he received as a result of the benefit dance staged here by his old friends was a Godsend. Shorty says he'll visit up here when his toes, to be amputated, heal. . . . BMI Post, American Legion puts in a special call for attendance at the next Post meeting to be held at Anderson's Tuesday night, April 6 at 8 o'clock. . . . Lloyd Spires proudly displays his Army discharge from the last war. It's signed by Ike Eisenhower, now in command in Africa. . . .

in a lot of overtime night work lately, according to his parents, and the dough is literally burning a hole in his didy pocket. Waal--thar's nothin' like startin' 'em young.

PROMOTIONS GET PAY BOOSTS FOR 99 EMPLOYEES IN WEEK

Ninety-nine employees of BMI received promotions last week. Jim Griswold went up from labor foreman to assistant Superintendent. Edwin Scradler, records clerk was made chief record clerk in Metals. Dan Gillies, senior clerk became supervisor in M and O Accounts Payable. Floyd Cress, sub-foreman in Electrolysis was made unit shift foreman.

Sixty-one laborers were advanced with pay raises. Thirteen became cell attendants. Five were made transfer car men. Two became cleanout men; four became chargers; 13 were made recovery helpers; 14 became kiln car loaders, two became repairmen's helper and one was advanced to each of the following jobs: machinists helper, crane operator, packer's helper, smutter, machinist welder, mechanic's helper. Four recovery helpers were promoted.

Other advances brought pay-boosts to fourteen coolermen, two repairmen's helpers, two weighers, three transporters, three chargers, two assistant tappers, two utility operators, and one each of the following: ingot handler, painter, guard, truck driver, journeyman electrician. . .

WHAT'S COOKIN'

(In School Aud.)

SATURDAY, April 3 - Moving Pictures at 2 and 4 p.m.
MONDAY, April 5 - Badminton, Arts and crafts.
TUESDAY, April 6 - Old Fashioned Dance, 8 to 11 p.m. Legion Meeting, Anderson's 8 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, April 7 - Boy Scouts, 7 p.m. Red Cross Motor Corps, 9 p.m.
THURSDAY, April 8 - Moving pictures 7 and 9 p.m.