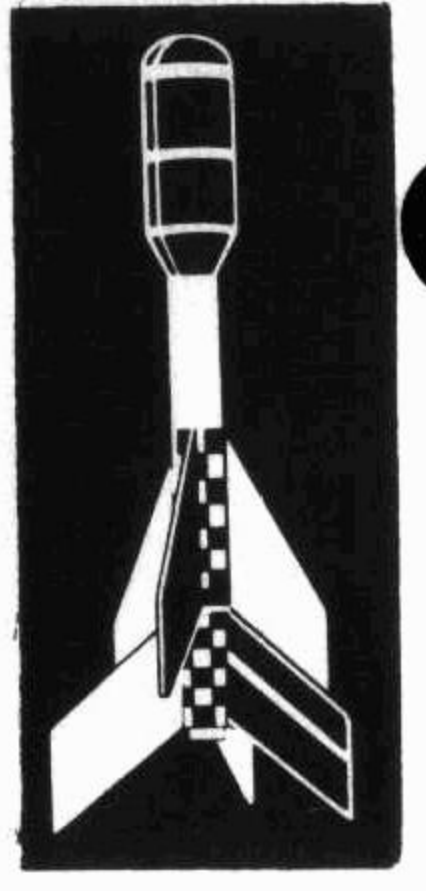


HAPPY

BIRTHDAY

- May 2
Barbara Bernard
Phyllis Erps
- May 8
Bertha Merri s
Harry Wilson
- May 12
Winnie Berger
- May 13
Shari Green
- May 14
Marvin Peffers
- May 15
Dixie Wright



VOICES FROM THE PAST

 Through the hard and loyal work of the Estes employees we have been recognized as the world's largest model rocket manufacturer. As a leader in the field we have been invited to attend the first international Model Rocket Meet, to be held at Dubnica, Czechoslovakia. . . . The U. S. team will be the only free world entry. Other countries participating will be Hungary, Germany (East), Russia, Poland, Yugoslavia and, of course, Czechoslovakia.

From the May 20, 1966, Launch Pad.

CLASSIFIEDS

A Free Service
For Employees

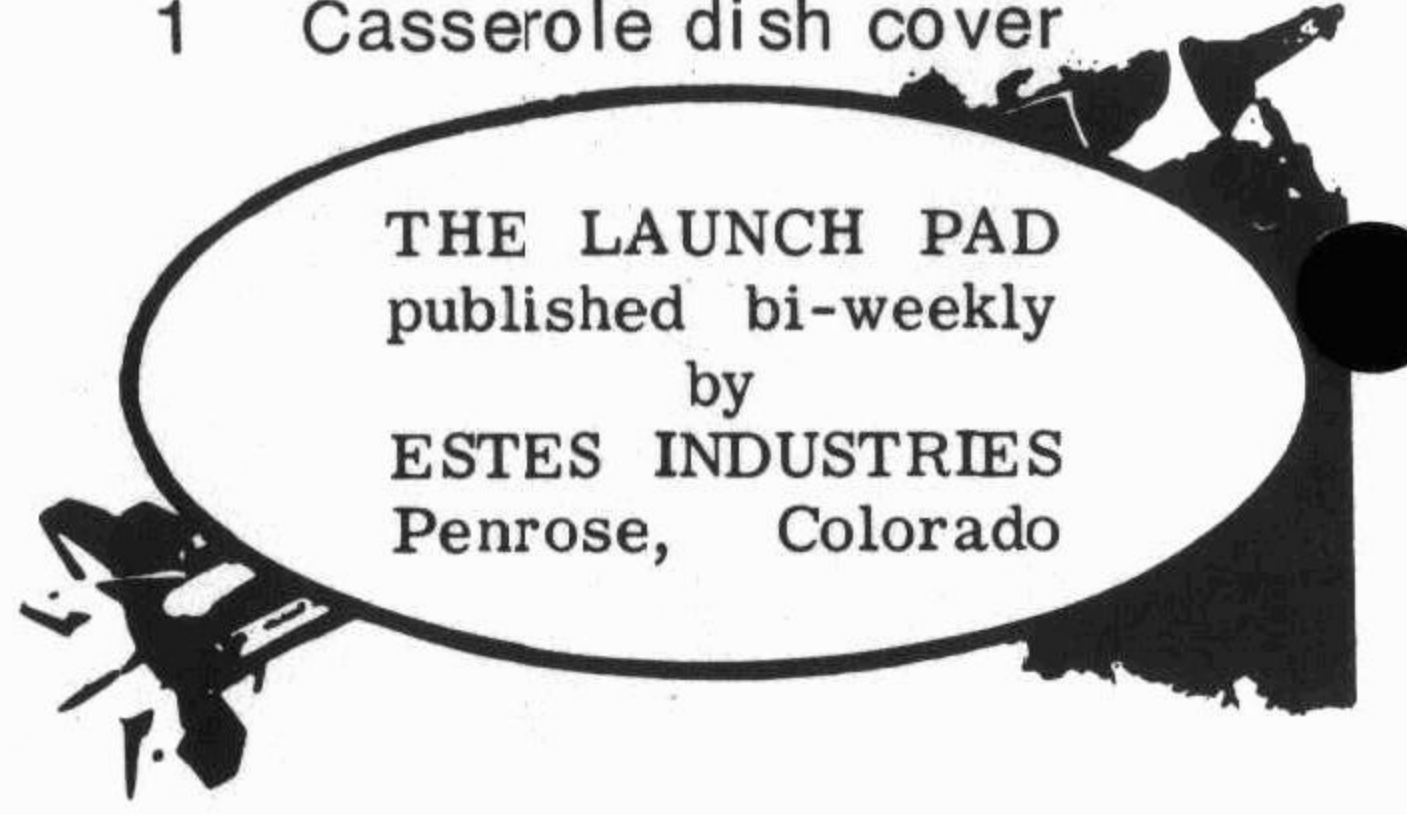
Deadline: Tuesday Noon
Before Publication of the Launch Pad

I NEED—two bedroom apt. (or house) in Canon City or Penrose. Prefer Furnished. Janet Osborne, Day Shift, Rocketeer Mail, ext. 55.


LOST & FOUND ITEMS

If you have lost any of these articles, please call ext. 44 to claim them.

- 1 Small transistor radio
- 1 Coin purse
- 1 Ladies watch
- 1 Gas cap
- 1 Earring - large
- 1 Pair ladies gloves
- 1 Man's work cap
- 1 Pendant from necklace
- 1 Man's handkerchief
- 2 Pair colored glasses
- 2 Ladies scarves
- 1 Glove - beige
- 1 Glove - black wool
- 1 Tablespoon
- 1 Table knife
- 1 Small ladies purse
- 1 Ladies ring
- 1 Small earring
- 1 Ladies hat
- 1 Rain Cap
- 1 Casserole dish cover



the **LAUNCH PAD**

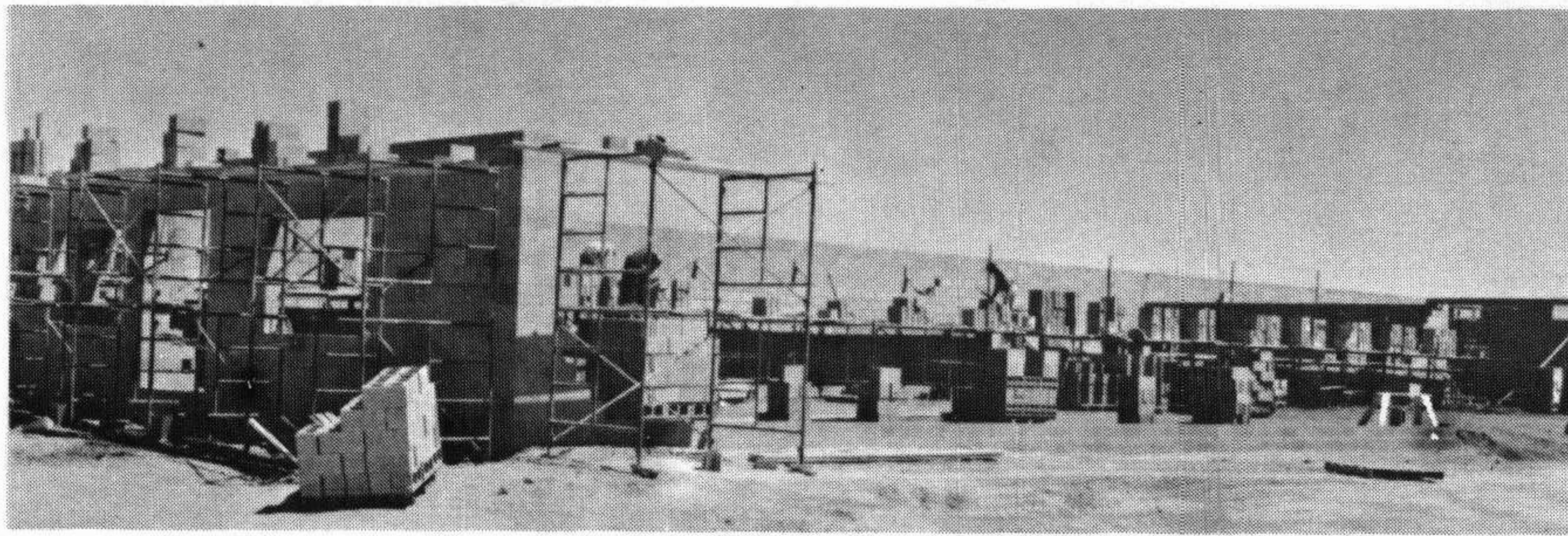


A SUBSIDIARY OF DAMON

MAY 1, 1970



Our wish to those of you who are - - -
And those of you who may someday be.



IT'S ON THE WAY

The walls for the new Wood Shop are going up. Each day the building will look different. Why not drive by on your way to work each day and observe the progress.

ATTENTION EMPLOYEES

The price increase on Estes products will not go into effect for employees until May 7. Be sure to take advantage of the lower prices by shopping at the Retail Store between now and 5:00 p.m., May 6.

WELCOME



NEW EMPLOYEES

Our new employees receive a big Estes welcome as they join the team.

The Print Shop welcomes Jim Leonard to the swing shift. A student at SCSC in Pueblo, Jim enjoys all indoor and outdoor sports.

Lyla Ayers, Delores Zerby and Dorothy Gregorich have recently joined the crew in Special Manufacturing.

Lyla, a member of the swing shift, enjoys gardening and sewing as hobbies. The Ayers, residents of Canon City, have three children.

Delores, the new gal welcomed to the day shift, is originally from Indiana. The Zerby family has recently moved to Florence. Delores' avocation of interior decorating will be very helpful in adding the finishing touches to the new family home.

HIGH GAME HANDICAP

BEV WILLCOX	266
OAKIE SIX	251
AVONA O'LEARY	249
NORMA HOLMES	249*
DALE LINAM	266
DUANE RENFROW	256*
BILL HOLMES	255
KIETH KOHLER	255

HIGH SERIES HANDICAP

BEV WILLCOX	689*
AVONA O'LEARY	665
NORMA HOLMES	655
DALE LINAM	687*
JOHN MERRILL	674
DUANE RENFROW	673

Championship roll-offs
May 1, 1970 7:00 p.m.
Ideal Lanes

* Trophy Winners

MAY ANNIVERSARIES

ONE YEAR

Rose Thomas	Print Shop
Donna Anderson	Print Shop
Lee Trimble	Print Shop
Clarice Inmon	Kit Packing
Dolores Hernandez	Kit Packing
Sheila Rodarmel	Credit Control
Dale Linam	Warehouse
Marie Chase	Shipping

TWO YEARS

Helen Solano	Print Shop
Avona O'Leary	Receptionist
Shirley Butler	Mail Processing
Darlene Burgner	Dealer Sales
Beverly Quist	Kit Packing

THREE YEARS

Elizabeth Lange	Shipping
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FOUR YEARS

Sylvia Gasser	Exec. Secretary
Polly Van Meter	Shipping
Judy Swift	Mail Processing

FIVE YEARS

Eunice Rambish	Shipping
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EIGHT YEARS

Delbert Buchanan	Engine Manufacturing
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Verna McCallister's office has been moved temporarily to the conference room. Any questions about insurance should be directed to her at ext. 42.

LETTERS BRING GOOD REPUTATION

A prompt, courteous reply to each letter and inquiry entering the plant is one of the major reasons Estes Industries is the world's largest rocket manufacturer. It has been an important factor in building our reputation.

However, not all companies attempt to please their customers with a quick response. Only about 10 per cent of some 2,000 companies surveyed by the Dartnell Institute of

Business Research make any effort to reply within 24 hours. The majority of firms take from four to seven days to send a reply. Some take two weeks to answer, and a disconcerting number of mail inquiries simply "get lost"

Congratulations, team, on answering our rocketeers as quickly as possible. That practice has put Estes at the top of the list with all its customers.

BOWLING

ESTES TUESDAY NIGHT MIXED

1969 - 1970 Season

TEAM STANDINGS

	Won	Lost
1. Launchers	74	46
2. Blast-Offs	71	49
3. Saturn IV	68	52
4. Whirleybirds	53	67
5. Cam Rockers	50	70
6. Mabel Teers	44	76

MOST IMPROVED AVERAGE

PEGGY HAMMEL	27 pins
MACK EPPLER	20 pins

PERFECT ATTENDANCE

FAYE GREEN	MARY AMEDI
RAY GREEN	PEGGY HAMMEL
WESLEY WIDICK	ROY HAMMEL

HIGH GAME SCRATCH

NEVA BUCHANAN	217
VI MARTIN	200* Tie
EARLINE FIELDS	200* Tie
LILLIAN LYNN	187
LOREN COOPER	242
RAY GREEN	226*
LLOYD STOVER	218
DELBERT BUCHANAN	214

HIGH SERIES SCRATCH

NEVA BUCHANAN	530*
EARLINE FIELDS	462
ILMA PEARSON	429
VI MARTIN	429
LOREN COOPER	553*
RAY GREEN	548
LLOYD STOVER	538
ORLIN FIELDS	513

HIGH GAME HANDICAP

NEVA BUCHANAN	261
VI MARTIN	259
FAYE GREEN	251*
EARLINE FIELDS	250
LOREN COOPER	275
LLOYD STOVER	265
RAY GREEN	265
DELBERT BUCHANAN	253*

HIGH SERIES HANDICAP

MARY AMEDI	655*
NEVA BUCHANAN	653
PEGGY HAMMEL	619
ILMA PEARSON	612
LLOYD STOVER	677*
ROY HAMMEL	665
RAY GREEN	663
SCOTTY HELTON	655

ESTES FRIDAY NIGHT MIXED

TEAM STANDINGS

	Won	Lost
1. Apollo 4's	76	44
2. Drifters	68½	51½
3. Misfits	65	55
4. Astro Nuts	53	67
5. Lyhes	50½	69½
6. Space Mates	47	73

MOST IMPROVED AVERAGE

JUNE HARRIS	13 pins
DON HARRIS	11 pins

PERFECT ATTENDANCE

EARL ESTES
AVONA O'LEARY
DALE LINAM

HIGH GAME SCRATCH

AVONA O'LEARY	210
OAKIE SIX	198*
NORMA HOLMES	196
BILL HOLMES	225
BILL SEE	222*
DALE LINAM	212

HIGH SERIES SCRATCH

AVONA O'LEARY	545*
GLEDA ESTES	503
NORMA HOLMES	496
BILL HOLMES	577*
BILL SEE	569
DALE LINAM	537

Dorothy Gregorich, a native of Salida, receives a warm welcome from the graveyard crew. Dorothy enjoys sewing and working on paint-by-number kits. Working on the graveyard shift will allow her more time to be with her son Robert at their Wetmore home.

The Mailroom gals join in welcoming Peggy Crawford, Cathy Welch and Charlotte Stewart to the crew.

Peggy, now a member of the swing shift, has recently returned to Canon City from Texas. She enjoys skiing, riding horses and playing with her young daughter, Ann.

A second new face in the swing shift crew is Cathy Welch of Canon City. Fascinated by business methods, Cathy studied as many secretarial subjects as possible during high school. She also enjoys the outdoor activities of swimming and riding horses.

The graveyard shift is just perfect for Charlotte Stewart, who wants to continue her college education. Charlotte, a native of Canon City, likes to write poetry, read and hike through the beautiful scenery of our mountains. She will soon be graduating from the College of the Canons.

The Shipping Department has put out the welcome mat for Verna Gray, Margie Mace and Peggy Sandefur.

Sewing, photography and handi-crafts are some of the interesting activities of Verna Gray, the new gal on the swing shift. Residents of Florence, she and her husband Gene have five sons.

The graveyard crew is glad to have Margie Mace return to Estes. Margie, a rancher at heart, collects

antiques and is active in the Penrose Fireman's Auxilliary.

Peggy Sandefur also receives a warm welcome as she returns to the graveyard shift. A native of Penrose, Peggy enjoys sewing and making ceramics. She and her husband John have recently added two foster children to their family.

The Visual Graphics Department is happy to have Paul Becker join the team as a photographer. Paul is presently looking for a home for his family. They will be moving to the area as soon as school is out. Paul likes photography, drafting and repairing small appliances.

Anna Baecker is excited about joining the swing shift in the Wood Shop. Anna and her husband, a retired army engineer, have recently moved to Florence from Leadville. Collecting and identifying rocks and minerals is her favorite pastime.

The swing shift crew in Kit Packing enjoys having Mollie Baker, Pat Casey and Thelma Ready working with them.

Mollie has recently moved into Canon City from Texas Creek. She relaxes by crocheting or reading a good book.

The new bowling enthusiast in Kit Packing is Pat Casey. Pat, a native of the Pueblo - Penrose area, is thoroughly enjoying her work.

Thelma Ready has discovered that Kit Packing is a fascinating place to work. A Florence resident, she enjoys frequent visits from her three grandchildren.

Ruby Owens is recovering from her injuries sustained in a recent auto accident. We wish her a complete and speedy recovery.

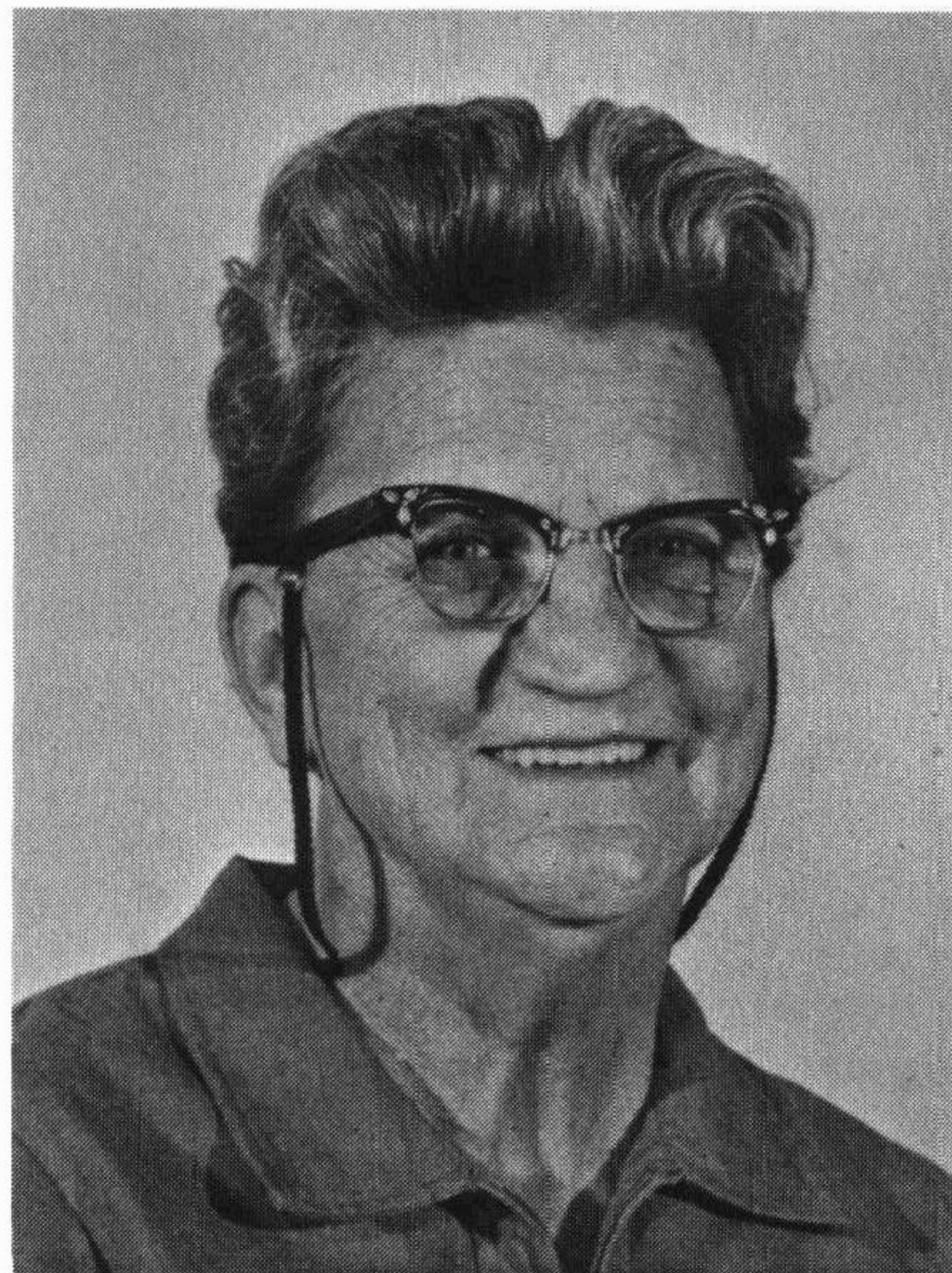
WHO'S WHO

The skunk waddled rapidly across the empty field. Two young boys and a dog were following closely behind when an old pickup rattled to a stop on a nearby road. Stepping out, Rose Kerrigan, now the graveyard supervisor for Kit Packing, yelled at her two oldest sons to leave the animal alone.

Immediately the children slowed their pace. However, no one paid any attention to the dog who was chasing the black and white-striped animal straight toward Rose. An instant before the skunk raised its tail, Rose became aware of the situation. It was too late. It didn't seem to matter that the skunk was still facing her, because everything in the area received the full effect of the powerful perfume.

With a warm sense of humor, Rose laughs at the incidents that filled her childhood and the years when she and her husband were rearing their five children. "My father had a farm in Central City that grew nothing but potatoes and kids," she jokingly comments. However, living on a farm with seven brothers and sisters taught Rose how to enjoy the company of others.

When Rose and her husband Ed moved from Central City to Penrose soon after their marriage, their main purpose was to start a small trucking firm. For many years they hauled gypsum and clay from this area into Pueblo. Rose, who claims she has always been a tomboy, drove the truck while Ed did the mining. Three of the children, Eddie, Kenneth and Larry, followed in their parents' path and became heavy equipment

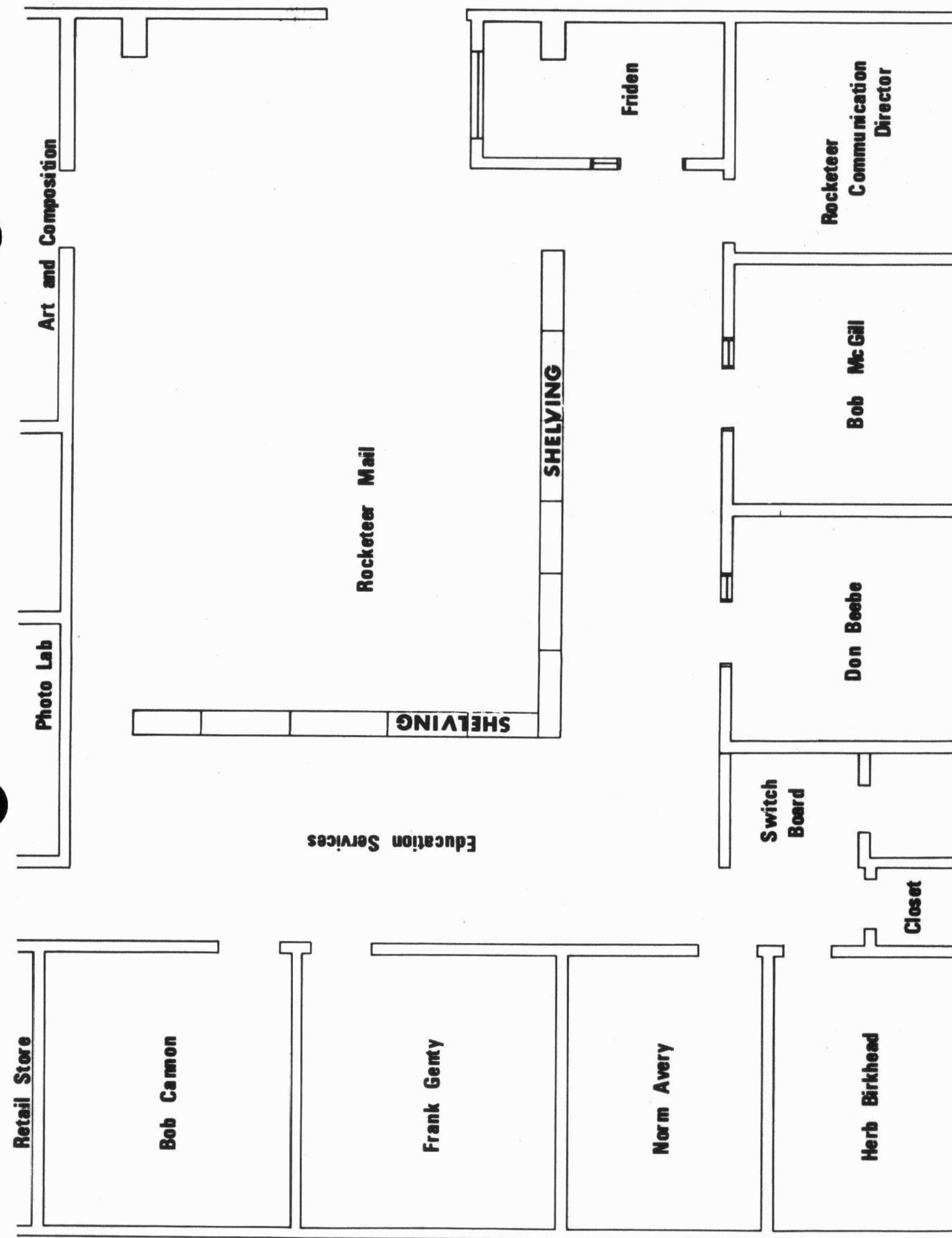


ROSE KERRIGAN

operators and truck drivers as they grew up. Douglas became a salesman, while Betty, the Kerrigans' only daughter, became a homemaker.

The hurricane that moved the various departments into the original "blue building" (now Kit Packing) had just struck when Rose began work at Estes in November, 1966. Everything seemed to be in organized chaos. Shipping and Kit Packing were still under one department head. Four shipping booths handled the entire demand for model rockets. When the two departments finally separated, Rose transferred into Kit Packing and eventually became the supervisor of the graveyard team.

Enjoying her present position, Rose feels like her crew accomplishes a lot during the quiet night hours on the graveyard shift. Off the job, she utilizes her days by knitting or expanding her interests through classes in ceramics. "The only trouble I have," Rose states, "is in finding time to sleep."



NEW HOME FOR COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION

The new home for the Communications Division is almost finished. Originally designed for the Print Shop, the room has received a complete face-lifting. A variety of colors in the new offices accent the pale yellow and off-green walls of the main room. One section of the west wall is papered, showing scenes from the Apollo 11 moon shot. Green carpeting throughout the area will complete the decor for the department.

We will be looking forward to the open house when the entire Communications Division has moved into their new facilities.