Things have been humming in our furniture department but there is yet room for much improvement. One of the high lights of last month's activities in that department was the sale of over \$700.00 to one customer by Herbert Wright of Dunbar furniture. Mighty nice sale, we would say but we can stand a lot more just like it and wouldn't it be nice if we could get in the habit of making one like this every other day.

than Nate Stark jumped right in and sold both of them.

Laura Mary Potter, our genial switchboard operator and office help, took on a better half and is now known as Mrs. James P. Pfeffer. He is in the armed forces, the last whereabouts was Albuquerque, but is not quite sure just where now. Any way we wish them both lots of luck.

Mr. J. W. Jenkins III and Mr. F. C. Howard spent two days with us recently and we gained many beneficial points from their visit. Also Mr. Fowler spent several days with us during August so we have been blessed with company

In spite of shortages and non-existences of

The office force received another visit from Mr. Fowler last week. We enjoyed having him,

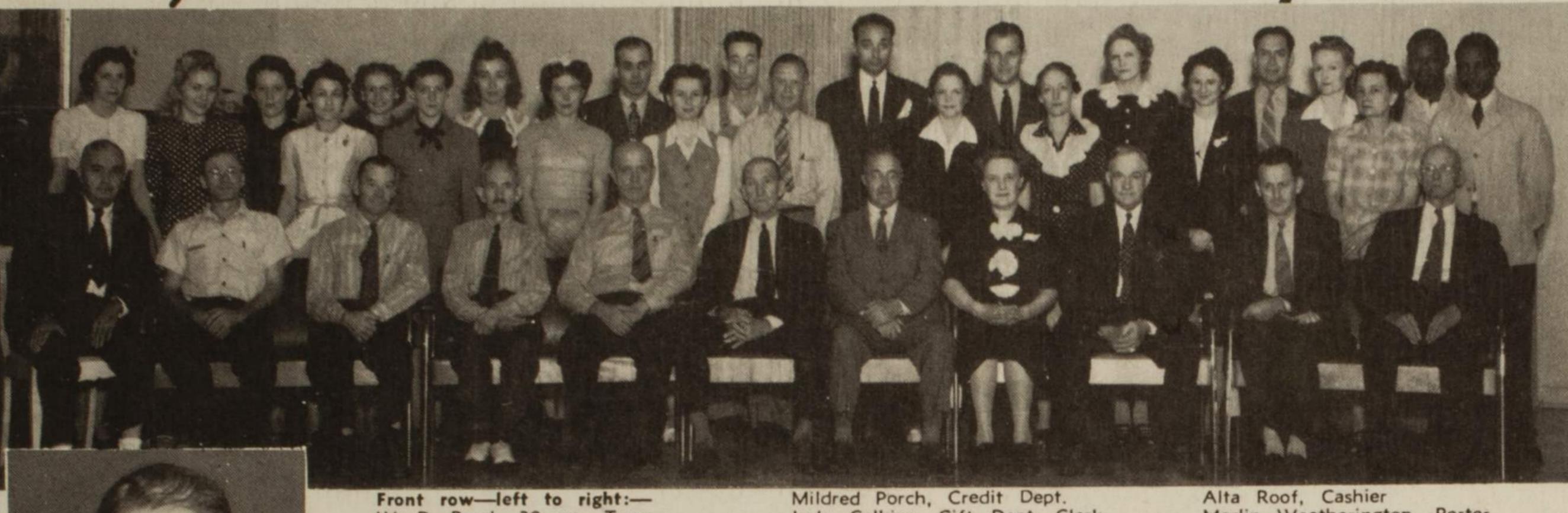
We also enjoyed the short time Frank Burgard spent with us, and appreciate the really fine displays he worked out for us.

Mrs. Opal Sails is no longer numbered among the missing. Her splendid recovery from the major operation she underwent in June has been remarkable, and everyone in the store is "tickled pink" to see her back.

The new face in our office is Miss Ann

Mrs. Petty is really proud of the addition of greeting cards to her sheet music department. The Christmas cards are certainly lovely, and she is sure that she will have no trouble

Do You Know Our Oklahoma City Store



W. D. Borch, 30 yrs., Tuner Earl Robbins, 24 yrs., Shop Foreman D. F. Spencer, 20 yrs., Tuner T. A. Brehme, 24 yrs., Action man A. W. Dahlmann, 15 yrs., Tuner Geo. J. Mauck, 34 yrs., Piano Sales E. M. Snedeker, 38 yrs., Manager Thelma Snodgress, 25 yrs; Sheet Music Thos. B. Pedigo, 14 yrs; Piano Sales V. E. Wickham, 19 yrs; Radio Service J. M. Hamilton, 27 yrs; Piano Sales

Back row-left to right:

Janette Lawrence, 14 yrs; Mgr. Record Faye Groom, Record Clerk Marion Haberle, Sheet Music Clerk

Eleanor Pollard, Credit Dept.

The Chimes starts a series of get-acquainted articles on our branch stores with this issue. Oklahoma City is the "Premiere", because it is the oldest of our present branches, and because E. M. Snedeker, the boss is the grandpappy of the present manager group.

E. N. SNEDEKER

"Sned" went to work for Jenkins Music Company just seven months after the Oklahoma City store opened in 1905. The Jenkins establishment at that time occupied a room 20 by 50 feet. S. E. Beatty was the manager, and hired Mr. Snedeker as a canvasser at \$50 a month which amount Sned says was a loss to the firm for some time. However, by getting in early from beating the door bells, Snedeker managed to convince Mr. Beatty he could sell phonographs. As a matter of fact, ne was the only one of the force who knew how to operate one of the baffling machines. So he got the phonograph department when they moved to a new location in December of that year. What a thrill the first \$100 sale was - Sned remembers the purchaser's name to this day.

Then along came the Pianola, and piano selling for the present manager. In 1914 Mr. Beatty was transferred to Kansas City, and Mr. Snedeker became manager. In Sned's history of the store, he generously gives Mr. Sam Beatty credit for bearing the brunt of the hard years of the new business. But the present manager was a right hand bower during the early struggles, as Mr. Beatty has often said. Others that Mr. Snedeker insists have had a big part in the growth of the

Judy Calkins, Gift Dept. Clerk Kathryne Dodd, Record Clerk Jackie Yount, Record Clerk Ed. P. Horne, Furn, and Radio, Sales-

Patricia Yount, Record Clerk James Wooley, Piano Shop Finisher R. Coulson, 15 yrs. Radio Service

C. W. Tutt, Furn., Radio Salesman Maurine Urban, Sheet Music Clerk E. C. Calkins, 6 yrs., Musical Mdse.

Eula Urban Sheet music clerk Elsie O Brian. Sheet music clerk Mildred Chastain, 9 yrs, Bookkeeper Merritt Young Mgr. Furn. Dept Ann Adams, Service Dept. Clerk

Marlin Weatherington, Porter Fred Briscoe, Porter Other employees not in the picture are: W. P. "Kid" McDonald (Veteran of 37 years and alergic to cameras) Carl Chilton, Truck driver Earl B. Fleming, 22 yrs, Piano sales Olivia Nelson, 11 yrs., P. B. X. Opr

Control Clerk M. E. Nicholson, 15 yrs., Furn. radio salesman

G. E. Perry, 12 yrs, Mgr. Mus. Mdse and Gifts

Ethelyn Stout, 25 yrs. Stenographer

Fay Thompson, Floor walker Homer L. Leonard, Piano Shop helper

business are Messrs. W. P. MacDonald, George Mauck, Miss Ethelyn Stout, Messrs. Borch, Robbins, Spencer and Braehme of the piano shop; in fact, the entire personell that has manned this branch through the years are marked contributing factors.

Mr. Snedeker recalls a favorite quotation of the late J. W. Jenkins: "The clerk can make or break the store". With this adage in mind, the Oklahoma City personel did a big job of merchandising-over \$14,000,-000 worth of goods have been passed on to customers by this Jenkins

Today the home of Jenkins at Oklahoma City is a store that is the admiration of visitors and the pride of employees, a very beautiful and thoroughly modern establishment.

Closing his story of the Oklahoma City Store, and his 35 years service with our company (28 as manager), Mr. Snedeker philosophizes: These years have been eventful ones with more happiness than disappointment. Ours is a business that I have always believed offered an opportunity to be of worth-while service to the community. Ours is a plan of merchandising that dignifies the calling. Certainly there is nothing about our business that need impair one's health or restrict the opportunity for getting somehing worth-while out of life each day. I can truthfully say that after these many years, something new and interesting comes up every day in this business."

Everyone here is glad that our severe sum-

No more than had our Mirr-A-Pianos arrived

from Kansas City recently.

JOPLIN HAS GOOD MONTH

merchandise we have always depended on for our volume of business, we went over our quota and had a good month in August. This is attributed to our new departments, Furniture and Floor Coverings, and House and Giftware, which are coming along nicely. We expect to do even better in these departments in the months preceding Christmas. Our patrons continue to express their approval of the new lines of merchandise we are carrying, and we are getting new customers every day through our window displays. We are thankful for the quantity, quality, aand variety of the new merchandise we have to show and sell. We realize and appreciate that this is made possible by the fine work of the Wholesale department heads, and through the cooperation of Paul, John, and Fred Jenkins. Our motto is, "Get the merchandise for us, and we will sell it, regardless of what it may be.

and hope that he will come back soon,

Ackerson, who has been with us for the past few weeks. We wish to welcome her, and sincerely hope that she will be with us per-

at all in selling all she has.

I JUSTENKINS CHIMES JUSTE

BELTRAND QUITS GIVING KISSES WITH WAR STAMPS

Well the third War Bond Drive is on and in a very big way. We have a very attractive window that should really help sell bonds. We are finding that Bonds are easier to sell than Defense Stamps. I used to have to offer a kiss (Candy) with the stamps I sold, but with Bonds I only have to hand them a fountain pen to write cut their checks with. Maybe I'm losing my kiss appeal. Anyway they are really buying Bonds in a big way.

We had a very nice visit from Mr. Fowler that we erjoyed very much.

Every one got a very good rest over Labor Day and was able to take good care of the many customers that came in the store Tuesday. It looked more like Saturday.

Our store really looks pretty since Betty Jones has rearranged our Cift Department with new ideas from Mr. Steve Slaks trip to Kansas

We think we have a very smart boss man, He has devised a very good plan to keep our customers satisfied and to bring them back into

The plan is as follows:

If we do not have an item a customer calls for we take their name, address and telephone number. We file the card and when the item comes in we call the customer. Another good plan of his that we are using successfully in our store is when a customer calls for something that we do not have we call other stores that will be likely to have them and try to locate the item if possible. This plan saves the customer much time and valuable "Shoe Leather". You would be surprised how much the customer appreciates this service.

Well here comes a man who might buy a bond and I want to beat the boss to him sobye, bye, buy bonds.

W. W. BRADFORD TO STAY IN COLORADO

Our good friend, W. W. Bradford, of the piano sales department at 1217, has decided to stay with Colorado, his old love. He sent greetings to all Jenkins associates but is going to live again in sky-high Denver. Goodbye and good luck, "Brad".

IT'S "GRAND POP" WALLACE NOW

Bill Wallace has looked old enough for a long time to be grandfather. However i never happened till last week, when he received word of the arrival of William Carlyle Wallace, weight 73/4 pounds. The baby's father is a First Lieutenant of Artillery on duty at Ft. Sill, Oklahoma.

WHO'S GETTING HIS OUT OF THIS WAR?

Most of us find it easy to point an accusing finger at the other fellow.

It's human to think that you're taking it on the chin ahead of the next guy. It's easy to assume that you're making the biggest sacrifices.

Are you so sure?

Who really knows? The other fellow's grass always looks the greenest. Maybe he thinks you have it soft.

The President has said, "Each and every one of us will have to give up things to which we are accustomed. We shall have to live our lives with less."

Yet there are people, and you've heard them, who are asking for more . . loudly . gimme guys . . . calling out for all kinds of special favors.

They don't seem to know that you can's make guns and grind axes at the same

The one job of every American is to win this war. We'll do it by asking not "what more can I get?" but "what more can I do?" We are indebted to the Old King Cole

Company of Canton, Ohio for this fine

AUGUST SALES LIST SLIM

The August list of sales by non-sales employees looks like the slimmest in history. Steve Slack batted high as usual, but every one else is off. With all the new goods we have to talk about we should pick up sales everywhere.

SALES FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST, 1943

Here is Mr. Everley's list:

KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI Herman Lewis, 1 Cliff Adams, 2 E. E. Armstrong, 1 L. Mellon, I Mae Artz, 1 M. Morris, 1 Albert Buddemeyer 1 M. Singleton, 1 G. Whitefield, James Lawrence, 1

FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS Stevenson Slack, 10

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA Eleanor Pollard, 1 Thelma Snodgress, 1 Janette Lawrence, 1 Ethelyn Stout, 1 TULSA, OKLAHOMA

H. Hendrickson, l Louis Owen, l TOPEKA, KANSAS Lorene Hillyer, 1 Lillian Walker, 1 M. Plumb, 1

WICHITA, KANSAS

Emma Kerley, 1

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