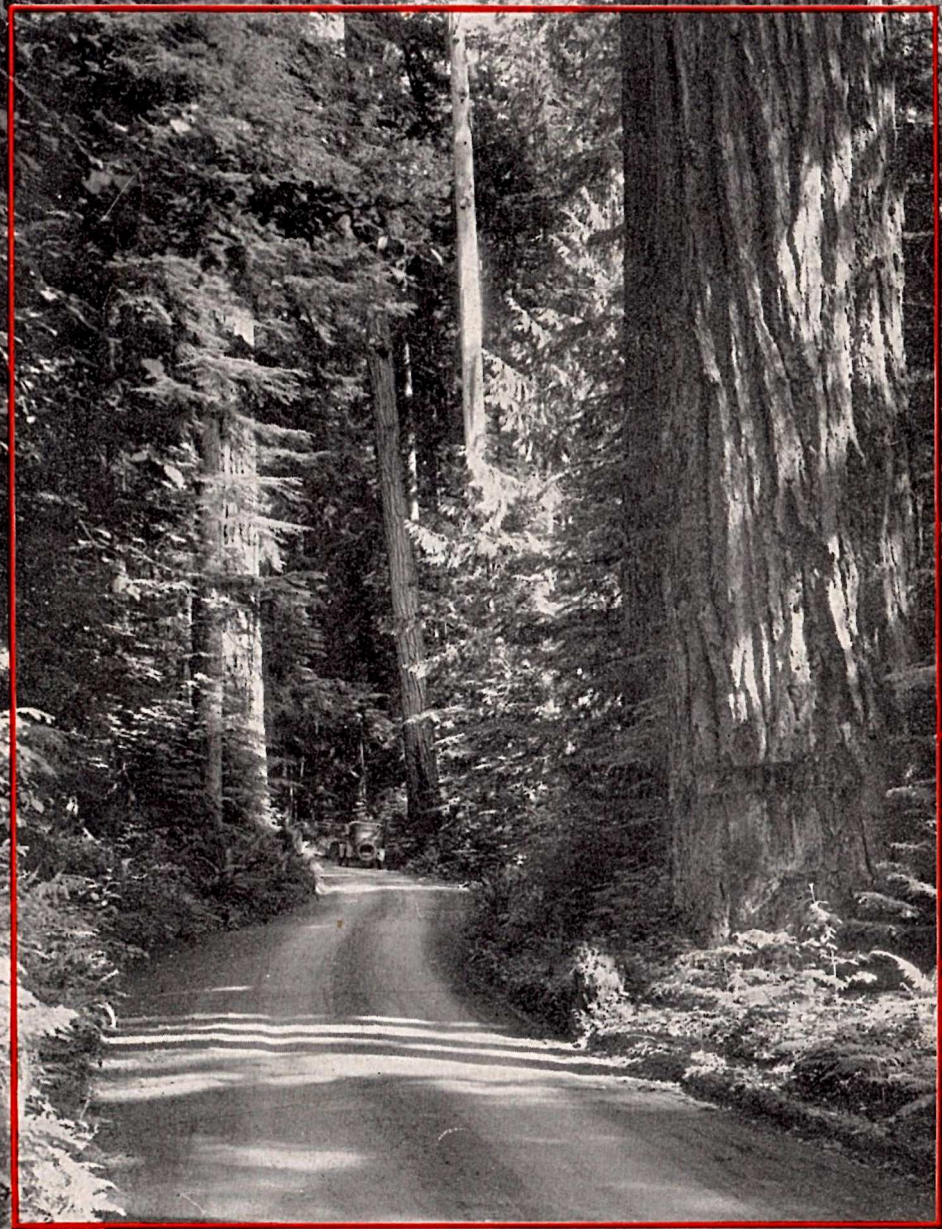


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## Efficiency

**W**HEN the right way has been worked out in every detail, scientific management sets it up as a standard, then trains the workman until he can accomplish this standard. When from these efficient units is built up efficiency in all our industries, national efficiency will be a fact.

—Theodore Roosevelt.

**S**EEMS to me that we, members of the "Comptometer Family", can take great pride in our vocation in the light of the above quotation from the illustrious Theodore Roosevelt.

In our capacity of Comptometer Operators we have been trained to produce what is accepted as the standard of efficiency in the figuring departments of industry.

Let us not, however, rest content in our knowledge of this fact, but keep up our high standard by constant improvement.

Remember, the school service is yours to command. Operators are more and more taking advantage of the opportunity of coming in to brush up on their operating; and our Instruction Service Department here at the factory is always pleased to help you solve any figuring problem. You will find this is an advantage to yourself as well as your employer.



Would you like copies of the first and second issues of Comptometer News? There are a few copies of both issues left and if you will send your name and address we will forward them as long as they last in the order requests are received.

We are indebted to the Seattle (Wash.) Chamber of Commerce for the picture reproduced on the cover of this issue. It is a scene along the highway in the Puget Sound country near Seattle.—Ed.

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## Instruction Service Department

C. VEBECK

*Send in your "difficult" ones and your "easy" ones. And remember that if you have learned any new kinks or short cuts that have assisted you in your work, we would be glad to know them and to pass them on to others that can make good use of them.*

**S**INCE the last issue 541 more operators have taken advantage of the Comptometer Correspondence Instruction Service. We are instructing them on their own figure work from the examples they sent in and from their requests for instructions as indicated on the items listed on the Correspondence Instruction Service Sheet.

The special problems presented in our last number attracted wide attention, as was indicated by the large number of requests for solutions and answers.

Some operators have suggested that we print the solutions, but to give the detailed instructions would take up too much space; and anyway the solutions are always gladly sent on request, as we have them duplicated and ready to mail.

### Special Examples

**H**ERE are the special examples we would like to have you work on and send in your methods.

Do the following example on the Comptometer from start to finish, without cancelling or writing any figures down on paper:

20,000# at \$2.70 per 100#.  
Less Frt. \$9.85 per N.T. on 10.14 N.T.  
Less 3% commission on \$425.81.  
Answer: \$427.35.



Find the accumulated square feet and square inches on the Comptometer for the following dimensions, without changing the dimensions to inches or changing the inches to decimals of a foot, and without cancelling the Comptometer, and without writing any figures down on paper:

4' 8" x 7' 4"  
5' 3" x 5' 6"  
3' 5" x 9' 9"  
4' 6" x 3' 7"



Add the following fractions without cancelling the Comptometer. The only assistance you should use is a Reciprocal Card.

$16/241 + 19/421 + 211/351 + 7/19 + 45/375 + 6/255 =$



Give method for figuring the elapsed time on the Comptometer.

Time in hours vessel is at dock:  
Arrived 4/19/27— 3:15 P.M.  
Departed 4/21/27—11:15 A.M.

## Calculating in Ancient Times

**H**OW would you like to do all your calculating on paper with the Roman numerals? Your day's work with such a method would look rather small compared with that which you turn out with the "Comptometer" and the so-called Arabic numerals.

Have you ever given thought to what you would do if you were compelled to use the Roman numerals to calculate with, or how they used to get along with such a cumbersome numerical system?

Well, the fact is that until the Arabic numerical characters from 1 to 9 and the 0 were invented to be used with their denominational place system, mental calculation necessary to calculation on paper was little resorted to.

Such terms as "casting an account," "exchequer," "the counting room," and other terms of a like nature are all familiar to you, but it is doubtful whether you ever heard of or have seen the mechanical calculating devices from which these terms originated.

These calculating devices were called counting boards, counting tables, counting cloths, etc., which were arranged with denominational markings so that by the use of counters, shaped like a coin, they could be manipulated to give an answer in all four forms of calculation.



KÜBEL'S ARITHMETIC: 1514

Fig. One

The art of casting accounts was imported into Europe probably from Egypt before the Christian era and continued in use clear into the eighteenth century, although it was abandoned in England earlier than any of the other countries, and held its own in Germany later than anywhere else. It disappeared in France with the Revolution, and in 1699 it is claimed that all reference to the method had disappeared from the arithmetics of England.

As a complete set of illustrations of the operation for performing calculation on the counting boards with counters ("Jettons," "rechen pfennigen", "projeclito", and "dinarii supputarii", as they were called in different countries) would require more space than may be allowed for this article, we will give one illustration and a brief description of how addition may be performed on these old

denominational placing in each compartment, adding the fives in the spaces to those on the lines, you will find you have the three items 384, 723 and 945 respectively represented by pennies or counters. Now, to add these amounts together commence by removing four counters from the units line ("casting out") across all three compartments and shoving the fifth into the space above ("casting up") which is used to register the 5's for each five counters thereon. Next cast out one and "cast up" one into the 10's line for each two in the 5's space

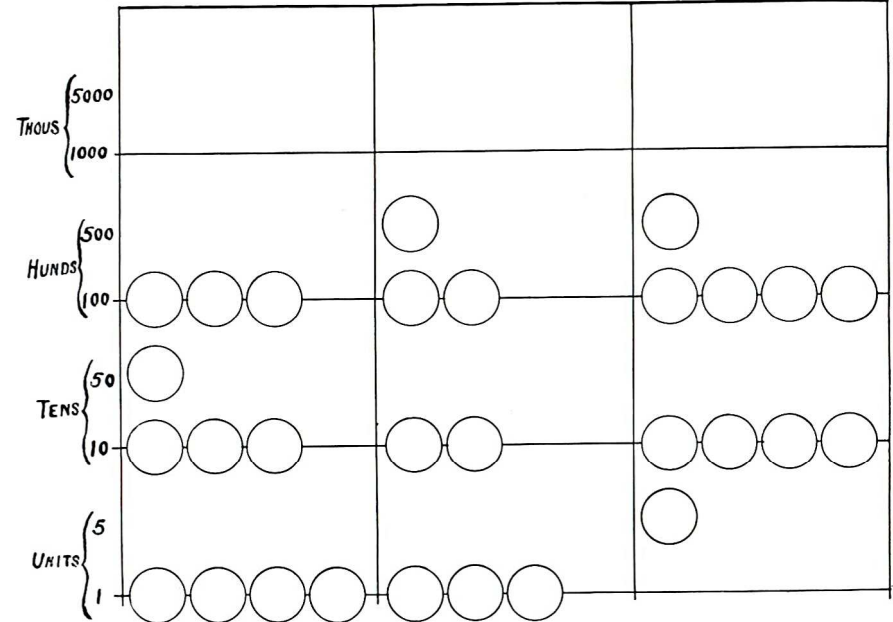
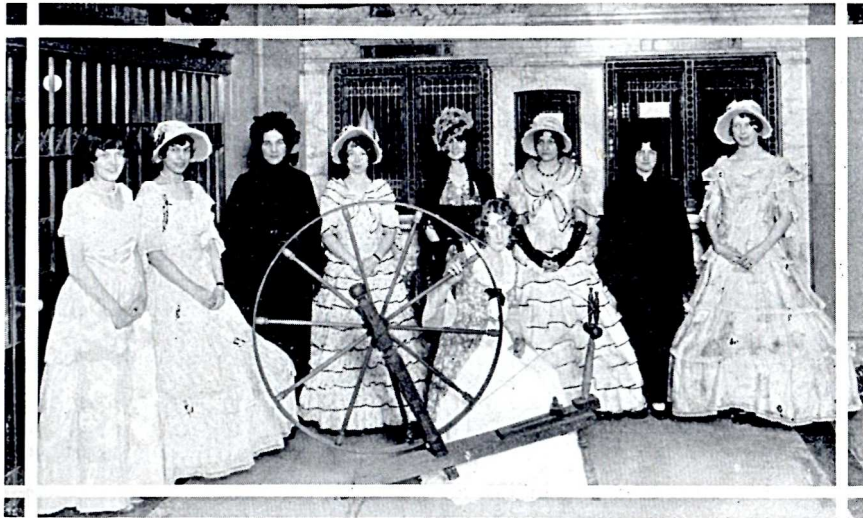


Fig. Two

counting boards by a simple rule with a few short-cuts, which were resorted to for rapid results.

Let us assume that the items 384, 723, and 945 are to be added together. For a simple counting board take a letter-size sheet of paper and make a gridiron on it like that shown in Fig. 2, and put the denominational marking opposite the left end of the lines and spaces as shown. Then get a lot of pennies for jettons or counters, about thirty, and place them as shown in the diagram of Fig. 2. Then, if you read the counters by

of the units denomination. Now repeat this rule, casting out four from each line as long as there are five counters on the line, and one from each space as long as there are two counters in the space, "casting up" one counter into the next higher line or space as the case may be until you have "cast" in all denominations. Then, by reading the number of remaining counters you will find two on the 1,000 line of the thousands denomination, one in the 50 space of the ten denomination, and two on the 1 line of the units denomination, which read 2052, the answer to your addition.



Old fashioned party at the Portland Trust and Savings Co. Five of the nine girls are Comptometer Operators. Left to right: Misses M. Machen, G. Mayer, H. Hathaway, M. Burke, F. Breer, E. Hulse, B. Currier, L. Knutsen. Seated: E. Eller.

**Portland, Ore.**

NORMA COMINI

Here's a performance worthy of mention. On her sixteenth day in school Miss Myrtle Rader passed the Ring Test with a grade of 100 per cent and added 61 columns correctly.



**Houston, Texas**

EUNA S. DAVIS

Plans are being formulated for our Comptometer Operators' Club. We hope to be able to discover and use many talents in such a large group of fine girls as we have. How about a Glee Club, girls? Also an Athletic Club? Speak up and let us know what you are interested in aside from Comptometer work. If your name is not on our register, please call Preston 6860, or drop into the office and give us your correct address.

We are glad to report that Mr. Hayes is convalescing following an operation on May 11th.

We have recently added to our force a new demonstrator, Mrs. Marie Buckalew, formerly of Dallas.

We are also glad to see Mrs. Speight able to be out again after an illness of several weeks.

**Ft. Worth, Texas**

Miss Lila Conn has returned from a week's vacation and says she can handle a horse as easy as she can handle a Comptometer.

The Comptometer Indoor baseball team is battling for honors in the employees' league. They are now in second place and are fighting it out with Riverside Christian Church for first place.

On April 5th Miss Billie Ritchie, Comptometer operator for Armour & Company, entertained with a dance for all Comptometer operators and their friends. A very enjoyable evening was proclaimed by all who attended.

Miss Ruth Leverett finished the Comptometer course, adding seventy-six columns correctly in one hour. She has accepted a position with Armour & Company.

Miss Irene McNeal, Comptometer operator for James McCord Wholesale Grocery Company, received a promotion after six weeks' service with a nice increase in pay.

Miss Francis Anderson has accepted a position with Sanger Bros.' Department Store. Miss Anderson is one of the reasons why the Comptometer Indoor Baseball team is in second place.

**Hartford, Conn.**

E. G. SAMUELSON

MISS Grace Lathrop, formerly an operator in the Agency Analysis Dept. of the Aetna Life Insurance Co., was married recently to Mr. J. W. Power. Her associate operators tendered her a farewell dinner at the "Hub," and she received several pretty gifts. At the conclusion of the dinner, all present voted "More Power" to her. Mr. and Mrs. Power have moved to Louisville, Ky., where she will be glad to see any and all of her old pals.

We understand that fellow "Dan Cupid" has been doing lots of wild shooting in the Aetna Life organization, although to date only one casualty has been reported.

Recent additions to the various offices are as follows:

- Grace Matthew, Caledonian Ins. Co.
- Carolyn James, Hartford F. Ins. Co.
- Helen Footit, N. Y. N. H. & H. R. R.
- Doris Alexander, Tr. Fire Ins. Co.
- Emilie Litz, Aetna Fire Ins. Co.
- Carolyn Vennart, Gen. Baking Co.

In the Re-Insurance Dept. at the Travelers Fire, there are two operators named Anderson, who also have the same initials. In order to distinguish between them, Mr. Phelps calls one SHORT RATE, and the other PRO-RATA. This is given as a tip to guide others in comparable cases.

Anyone desiring the services of a good detective will please communicate with Mrs. Frank Cervini, operator at the Phoenix Fire. It will be remembered she discovered the recent "Tong Murder" in South Manchester, on her way to work one morning. We understand she has a standing offer from the Pinkerton Bureau.

Miss Dorothea Schleidt of the Aetna Fire Insurance Co. is resigning to take a permanent "life job." She will be missed very much at the swimming pool of the Y. W. C. A. where she holds many records—?

Miss Elsie Abel of the Rossia Insurance Co. has recently chosen the more masculine name of James. Good luck to you, Jimmie!

**Providence, R. I.**

ESTHER E. JOHNSON

MISS Florence Ethel Walsh, a graduate of our Comptometer School in 1924, is now a teacher of the pupils of the 6th grade at Oxford St. Grammar School. Since grad-

uating from our school Miss Walsh has kept in close touch with Comptometer work, for while attending the R. I. College of Education she was employed after school hours as Comptometer operator at the Providence Public Market Co. We are proud of the progress Miss Walsh has made and wish her success as a teacher.

Perhaps some friends of Idella B. Bray are not aware of the fact that she no longer lives in Pawtucket. She is now Mrs. Frank LeMosey and her address is Box 125, Jackson, Miss.

One of the best adding records made by a student at the Providence School is that of Mary E. Nelson of East Greenwich. Miss Nelson, shortly after graduation, came in to practice one day and added 95 columns correctly in an hour.

Mrs. George L. Nichols, formerly Genevieve Carter, is now living at 18 Norwich Ave., Providence, R. I. Mrs. Nichols announces through the News that she welcomes her Comptometer friends at her new address.



Miss Susan J. Rafferty is now teaching Elocution in her spare time. She is employed as Comptometer Operator in the Plant Dept. of the N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., Providence, R. I., and we feel certain that if she proves as good an Elocutionist as she has a Comptometer Operator there should be no doubt as to her success in that line.

Margaret Cooke came into the office the other day and announced that she was recently married to Mr. J. W. Reynolds of Providence. Congratulations and best wishes are extended to Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds.

Madalene A. Kennedy has resigned from the employ of the R. I. Supply and Engineering Co. after spending nine years there. Before accepting another position, Miss Kennedy is enjoying a two months' trip to Europe.

Anne J. Ferry has returned from Tampa, Fla., after spending about three years there. Miss Ferry's main reason for returning is to be with her mother who prefers the north to the south.

**Detroit, Mich.**

M. B. McCALL

MISS Ruth Schuman accomplished a feat that is worthy of note when she made the almost impossible final grading of 100 per cent. She completed the course in forty days.

Miss Edna Anderson, who has been at Fort William for some time, recently returned to Detroit and accepted a position with the Hudson Motor Co.



Miss Peggy MacKeller, one of our recent 99 per cent students, now with the Ternstead Mfg. Co., is making a name for herself both in Comptometer work and as center on their basketball team. This gives you an idea of Peggy in action. Yes, she's Scotch.

We have recently been teaching Addition with the aid of a phonograph. It develops a much keener interest, as shown by the records of the following girls who previously

added sixty columns an hour: Miss Ruth Loria has increased her speed to 75 columns an hour; Gladys Kazanjian, 75; Ursula Spires, 74; Irene Sarthourious, 74; Ruth Schuman, 71.

It isn't every eight weeks that we can add four honor students to the roll. The following four students have won the much desired Comptometer rings:

Margaret Arthur added 60 columns in 16 days—final grade, 96 per cent.

Grace Starr added 60 columns in 17 days—final grade, 97 per cent.

Carol Monen added 60 columns in 20 days—final grade, 97 per cent.

Lucille Doworkowski added 60 columns in 21 days—final grade, 95 pct.

We miss the smiling face of "Chick" Morgan, recently of our Repair Service Dept., and now with the New York office.

**Bell Telephone News**

Wedding Bells rang among the Plant Accounting girls on March 1st when Miss Claire Haggerty became the bride of Mr. Robert DeCarmeny.

Miss Melva Van Clair and Mr. Joseph Mega, formerly of Chicago, were married in Canton, O., on March 5th.

Miss Ann Cottrell, who has served us very efficiently as a temporary operator, is now on our permanent staff.

Miss MacDonald is substituting for Miss Gladys Vandersall who is on sick leave after undergoing an operation at the Harper Hospital.

The bowling season is over and the losers, the "Ometers," will honor the winners, the "Compts," with a banquet some time during the month.

We are glad to have Kathleen Brown, who has been on sick leave, back with us again and feeling fit.

On March 23rd the girls of the Plant Accounting Dept. showered Mrs. Mildred Darling, who has just started housekeeping, with many useful and beautiful gifts. Mrs. Darling showed her appreciation by delightfully entertaining the girls in groups at her home during the following two weeks.



**Carelessness**

- Adds to your troubles.
- Subtracts from your earnings.
- Multiplies your aches and pains.
- Divides your thoughts.
- Takes interest from your work.
- Discounts your chances.
- Cancel me—and I add to your happiness.

**Sioux City, Iowa**

MISS Hazel Danielson won the Comptometer Ring by adding 60 columns on her 17th day.

Another "Ring Student" is Helen Maynard. We like our rings just fine, don't we Hazel?

We welcome the following students from the mid-year class of Central High School: Miss Helen Chatterton, Helen Maynard and Lillian McDonald.

Our February graduates included Winifred Kuyper, now of Northwestern Bell Telephone Co., Elsie Knutsen of Robert C. Moore Stores Co., and Grace Winters.

Mary Louise Senesal has returned to us from Minneapolis and is now with the Standard Oil Co. (Ind.).

It is said that "seeing is believing"; and to those who don't believe, just have a look at Winifred Kuyper's left hand. We sincerely congratulate you, "Pritz."

Mary Louise Senesal had the misfortune to collide with one of the Traction Co.'s trams and after being laid on the shelf for about three weeks with her left arm in cast and a plaster over her left eye, we are glad to say she is back at Standard Oil and her Comptometer. Can't keep a good operator down, can they Mary?

Miss Marion Heath, recently of John Morrell & Co., Sioux Falls, S. D., left for Detroit, Mich., where she expects to remain permanently.



**Paterson, New Jersey**

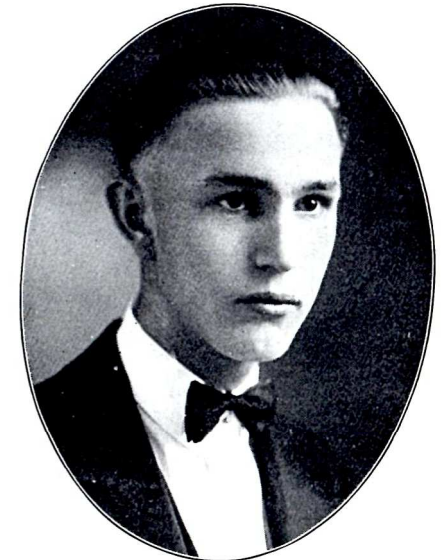
Mrs. Wallie Thomas has proved that real comebacks are staged in the ranks of Comptometer operators as well as among athletes. Mrs. Thomas was rated as one of best operators in these parts a few years ago when she worked at the Forstman Huffmann Co., Passaic. Now after a two-year lay-off Mrs. Thomas is back at the Comptometer again, with the Manhattan Rubber Co., going as good as ever.

Mr. C. Hoving, Paymaster at the Garfield Mfg. Co., Garfield, N. J., makes a distribution of a \$17,000.00 payroll in less than thirty minutes, with a Comptometer Payroll Denominator. This he believes is a record, and a mark for other operators to shoot at. Mr. Hoving, by the way, is one of the best operators in this section.

Miss Gladys Humalo of Passaic, N. J., has accepted a position as Comptometer operator at the Geo. A. Meyers Co., Paterson.

**Dayton, Ohio**

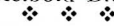
STELLA A. MULLIN



The Dayton Comptometer School is quite proud of Joe Miller, whose picture is shown herewith. He won a scholarship to the Comptometer School through the recommendation of his instructors for excellent work in High School. Mr. Miller now holds a responsible position with the Buckeye Incubator Co. of Springfield, O.

Miss Osee Ross is now employed as demonstrator and outside instructor by the Dayton Comptometer office.

We are making plans for a Comptometer Operators' Picnic to be held in July. Like all regular picnics, we must have a ball game. Good swimmers and fast runners please make yourselves known at the Dayton School, 774 Reibold Bldg.



**Chicago, Ill.**

LILLIAN R. CONLEY

We are pleased to announce that the Chicago Comptometer School has moved from 29 South LaSalle St. to the new Adams Franklin Bldg. at 222 West Adams St.

The new school is more commodious and comfortable, and with its greater space we will be better able to handle our increasing number of applicants.

We are always glad to welcome old operators, so the next time you are in the "Loop" drop in and see our new home.

**Grand Rapids, Mich.**  
JOSEPHINE GRAHAM

ON February 25th the Vocational and Technical High School students who are studying the Comptometer visited the Grand Rapids Comptometer School. Miss Graham gave them a brief history of the Comptometer, showing them some of the different models and also explained the operations, stressing on the value of the Controlled-key.

Miss Marian Brandsma entered into the Holy Bonds of Matrimony on February 12th, and her name is now Mrs. Guy King. She is still continuing her work at Kresge's.

The Comptometer operators join in extending their heartfelt sympathy to Harold Langenbach in the death of his mother.

Miss Louise Kirchner of Grand Rapids passed the Ring Test after adding 62 columns correctly on her 25th day in school.

Miss Elizabeth Kooi, a recent graduate from the Chicago school, reported at the Grand Rapids office for a position.

Miss Alice Mae Van Ellen, Comptometer operator at the Chas. Trankla & Co., Grand Rapids, will become the bride of Henry Blackport on June 9th. After a trip to Niagara Falls and other eastern points they will make their home in Grand Rapids on Sheridan Avenue.

Miss Louise Endres who has been doing splendid service work in the Grand Rapids agency is now at her home in Ionia for a few weeks' visit with her mother. After June 1st she will assume the duties of Comptometer operator in some office in the vicinity of her home.



*Instructor*—Miss Jones, you are twenty minutes late again. Don't you know what time we start school?

*Student*—Nope, they're always at it when I get here.



*Alice Mae Van Ellen*

**New Haven, Conn.**

The N. Y. N. H. & H. R. R. Co. recently put on a musical show for the benefit of their Athletic Association club house. Under the direction of a New York man, it was a decided success. The cast was chosen from the ranks of the railroad employees. And here's where we come in. We found the names of some dozen and a half Comptometer operators among the dancers, singers and specialty acts. The Nordin Trio, of which we spoke in the last News (Signe Nordin is the Nordin part of it) played several numbers, and we were represented in a number of the acts. Quite a far cry from Comptometer operation, but every bit as successful.

**Seattle, Washington Operators on Roller Skates**  
MYRTH WRIGHT



"Two tickets please."  
"Get mine kid; I don't want to wait in line."

"Oh gee! We'll be the last ones in."

The above are snatches of conversation from various members of our Comptometer school as they madly dash to the ticket window of the Crystal Skating Rink.

Finally we all get assembled and then the fun begins. The ones who know how to skate show those who don't know how and those who don't know how show the crowd.

The next day cushions are in great demand at our beloved school.

Among those who "demanded" last time were our esteemed salesman Mr. Benson and Service Man Elmer Weinstein.



**Huntington, W. Va.**

C. A. ZELLER

Miss Dorothy Fisher added 60 columns correctly on her 19th day in school. She is now working for the C. & O. Ry., Zone Bureau, Ashland, Ky.

Grace Thomason, graduate of our school, was placed with the C. & O. Ry., Zone Bureau, Huntington, Va.

Virginia Harrison, also one of our graduates, has taken a position with the C. & O. Ry., Master Mechanic's Office.

**Washington, D. C.**

LULU C. FIKE

To stimulate interest after the winter's monotonous adding, Miss Fike conceived an idea by means of which her pupils could race to Florida and back on their noble Comptometers.

The class was divided into two groups, one of which was to travel in a Ford and the other in a Packard. The daily addition averages constituted the mileage covered by the machines.

Strange as it may seem, for once the Ford was not victorious and consequently, out of good sportsmanship, entertained the occupants of the Packard.

The party was arranged to represent the atmosphere of a "real trip." As each guest arrived she was met at the door by a miniature Ford (kiddycar) and compelled to transport herself to the stairway amidst the laughter of her fellow travelers already assembled.

The cats were distributed picnic style while the girls were seated around an electric camp fire. Hot dogs, potato chips, pickles, deviled eggs, potato salad, bananas and lemonade always taste good even though gnats, flies and creeping things are very much in evidence on an occasion like this. After concluding the journey with a soothing ukulele sing the girls were whisked away in "sure enough" Packards and Fords.

Los Angeles, California

MISS Constance Roesch, who is employed as Comptometer operator with the Shell Company of California, has the enviable record of being numbered in the beauty class. On March 19th last the Moose Club of Los Angeles selected Miss Roesch



MISS CONSTANCE ROESCH

from a large group of their guests as first in beauty and loveliness, and presented her with a silver loving cup with name, date and appropriate tribute engraved thereon. The Shell Company is duly proud of Miss Roesch who, it might be added, is the sister of Mr. Fred Roesch, a Felt & Tarrant salesman of the Los Angeles District.

The population of Los Angeles is again increasing by great strides, as shown by the number of Comptometer operators arriving daily from all parts of the United States and Canada. We are pleased to see that all regard the Comptometer office as headquarters; some come directly from the depot to our office to look for a position even before they look for a place to live.

Many operators from other cities ask if there isn't an opening in one

of the picture studio offices in Hollywood—aspiring, ??? But when they get the position and find it just about the same work as in a railroad or mercantile office, the thrill is gone.

The National Business Show was held March 21st to 26th inclusive in the Hotel Ambassador Auditorium. Many operators took advantage of the opportunity to visit our booth and try out the new Model J with its light key-stroke and green keys.

Joy always seems to be attended by a little grief, and we are getting the grief in the fact that our very charming and efficient office manager, Miss White, is leaving us soon for a trip to Europe.

Miss White has endeared herself to operators and our office family alike and it is with real regret that we see her leave. We do, however feel fortunate in having a girl from our school, Miss Seipp, who promises to fill the vacancy with credit.

In one of our recent newspapers we saw an account of a hold-up in which one of our operators, Miss Jean McCaffery, and her escort lost \$224 in money and jewelry. We hope this experience will not have to be repeated.

This has been a gala week with us; our salesman, Mr. Boyer, went fishing over the week-end, bringing back the limit of trout and bass, so on Monday noon we all had a marvelously fine fish dinner cooked by our good chef downstairs.

Mr. Roesch is all swelled up—or rather, we are—over the possession of a new Nash sedan—the only safe transportation for a man with such a fine boy in the family. And, of course, it is a much classier way of distributing Comptometers.

My flivver 'tis of thee  
Short cut to poverty,  
Of thee I chant.  
I blew a pile of dough  
On thee two years ago  
And now you will not go  
Or won't or can't.

Blue and White Daily, Los Angeles

Since our last issue, wedding bells have rung for Myrtle E. Brownell, formerly of Peoria, Ill. We extend to her and Mr. Allen our best wishes.

Allentown, Pa.

DONALD B. BASSETT

MISS Beatrice Gurman, who has been working at the Fuller Lehigh Co., has moved to New York and will continue in her chosen profession there.

Miss Ethel Thomas who has been doing temporary work for the past two months, has moved to Washington, D. C. She says she is going there because she likes Washington, but her friends think it is because of "Snit" Snyder.

A great deal of credit must be given to the Misses Elizabeth Smith, Edna Long, Katherine Siegfried and Isabelle Faulhaber, for coming all the way over to Allentown from Easton, Pa., two nights a week to take the Comptometer course.

Miss Smith is the Assistant Comptroller of Bush & Bull Dept. Store, and Miss Faulhaber is in charge of the Audit Dept. Miss Long was the telephone operator at the store, but as soon as she finished her course she was placed on Comptometer work. Miss Siegfried was clerking in the store, but now has a position in the office. She too will soon be given Comptometer work to do.

Miss Long, by the way, is the only girl in our school who has won the coveted Comptometer Ring. After only 19 evenings in the night school, and with only one hour of adding practice each evening, she added 60 columns correctly in an hour.

Miss Shirley Smeltzer, who moved to Reading, Pa., from Omaha, Nebr., has registered at the school and will soon be placed on a position.

Julia Schroeder has taken a position with the Freihofer Baking Co. at Allentown.



Des Moines, Iowa

Mr. Wm. P. Summers, Auditor of Receipts of the Northwestern Bell Telephone Co. of Des Moines, gave a very interesting talk to the students on Friday, April 8th. He emphasized that every employee should be loyal to his employer at all times. Loyalty, he said, was the first quality an employer looked for, and anyone accepting salary or wages without being loyal was not shooting square. Another point stressed by Mr. Summers was Accuracy, and that speed without accuracy is of no avail. He mentioned that under the clock in their office is

a very prominent sign reading, "Accuracy First."

Mr. Summers invited all of the students over to his office, and this invitation was gladly accepted. We took an hour and went through his office of ninety people. It was an inspiring sight to the students to see the operators clicking off the results on the Comptometer; and incidentally, they saw many of their friends who used to be in the school.

Mr. Summers' visit was a real treat and we hope that he will return soon.



Miss Edythe Alber, whose picture is shown (above) has just graduated from the Des Moines school. She completed the course with a record that we believe has never been equalled. Miss Alber completed her final test in the remarkable time of one hour and thirty-four minutes, with a grade of 96 per cent.

Miss Alber took the honor for service in the graduating class at Abraham Lincoln High. During her high school career she served many times as President and Secretary of the different commercial classes. She has completed all commercial work possible in high school. In typing she received a certificate, bronze pin and a silver pin from both the L. C. Smith and Underwood people and a certificate from the Remington. We predict Miss Alber will some day be one of the leading operators in the city.

**Albany, New York**

IT IS with much pleasure that we announce our removal to much improved quarters at 25 North Pearl St. This will do away with the crowding we have had for the last several years at the old office.

It is always a matter of pleasure and an event of importance when we are able to award a student a Comptometer Ring; and we have been thrice favored since the last issue of the Comptometer News.

Miss Amy E. Winters did 65 columns on her 27th day. She also merits praise from another angle as she passed her Final Examination with 98 per cent. Needless to say, Miss Winters did not have to wait for a position, and is now doing most excellent work for the Albany Savings Bank.

Miss Mildred Emerson did 61 correct additions on her 11th day and we were indeed fortunate in having Mr. Jay G. Klees here at the time to make the presentation of the ring. Miss Emerson comes of a family of Comptometer operators, having had two sisters, Miss Harriet and the late Mrs. Phyllis McCoy, graduate from the School. They both did most excellent work in the School and on the outside. Miss Mildred is permanently placed with the A. P. W. Paper Co. and is doing well in her chosen vocation.

Miss Evelyn Van Vranken, of Schenectady, was the third to gain this much coveted prize. She did 60 columns on her 24th day and we are looking forward to another high mark when she takes her Final Examination.

Early this year we tried out the following idea: As an incentive to develop good addition, any girl who attained a weekly average of 75 per cent or better in Addition did not have to do any adding during the afternoon of the Monday following. The first week (applying on the same number of students as the week previous) we found that the number of students attaining that average was doubled, and it also developed interest and enthusiasm and the girls were keen to adopt the idea permanently.

We extend a cordial invitation to all our friends to visit us at our new address, 25 North Pearl St., and inspect our new quarters.

**Akron, Ohio**

J. C. SILVESTER



Miss Pauline Barger and Mrs. Esther Heinebaugh, winners of Comptometer rings at Akron.

THE girls in the day school held a contest last month on adding and business calculations, in which two of the girls won Comptometer rings. At the close of the contest the losers gave a very pleasant party for the winning team.

Because of the gratifying results of the last contest another will soon be held.

Mrs. Rockey was called home on account of the serious illness of her mother, who lives at Edon, Ohio. We hope that she will be able to return shortly.

The Monday, Wednesday and Friday evening classes are full. Therefore, if you are considering coming in soon, we suggest that you enroll now so we will have a place for you when a vacancy appears.

Girls, come in and see our new school and office—curtains in the windows and everything.

**Baltimore, Md.**

The accompanying photograph is of Miss Helen M. Cosgrove, who earned a Comptometer Ring by adding 61 columns correctly in one hour on her 23rd day in the school.

Miss Annabel N. Biggs and Miss Mary A. Linton, Comptometer operators, along with five other clerks, were recently sent to Chicago to help out on the auditing work of the Internal Revenue Collector's office. Both young ladies are 1926 graduates of the Baltimore school.



**New Orleans, La.**



Helen M. Cosgrove

It is gratifying to note the new spirit of enthusiasm in our school since Mrs. B. Ford Weaver, our new instructor, took charge. Old operators have come in to brush up and learn short-cuts, and the students are showing increased efficiency.

Miss Mary Ellis, formerly of Houston, Texas, and now working with the Fairbanks-Morse Co. of this city, is so worried over our fair city being flooded that we are afraid Mr. Hayes will get one of our best and most popular operators.

The "Comptometer Family" is certainly being brought into closer contact since the "News" has been published. We recently received a most interesting letter from Miss Gladys Larsen, who is an operator for the Ford Motor Co. and teacher of the night class at the Comptometer School in Portland, Ore. She had noticed in one of the copies that a friend from the Lone Star State had located in this city.

Mrs. Crdyer, formerly of Kansas City, Mo., is now employed at the New Orleans Auto Supply Co.



**San Diego, California**

Miss Vanita Leimbrock, who finished the course in Denver, Colo., last February, has a splendid position with the Union Oil Co. of California.

Miss Mabel Donaldson, recently of Buffums, Long Beach, Calif., has accepted a position with the Lumbermen's Service Bureau, San Diego.

Florence Huddle of the Toledo, Ohio, school came in, registered, left the wrong 'phone number, and we have not been able to find her.



Annabel N. Biggs

Marjory Ross, the very efficient operator on Mr. Williams' staff at the San Diego and Arizona Ry. is on leave of absence for the purpose of visiting in New York City.



**Rockford, Ill.**

MRS. H. B. BAXLEY

Miss Hannah Kennedy of Mechanic Machine Co. gave a pre-nuptial dinner and bridge party Friday evening, April 29th. Among the guests were the following Comptometer operators: Mrs. Daisy Berridge, Miss Imogene Wolfe and Miss Genevieve Burns. Genevieve won the Booby Prize.

We understand that Miss Sophia Feltz likes her new position at Swords Bros. Mrs. Agnes Satre is in charge of the Comptometer department there.

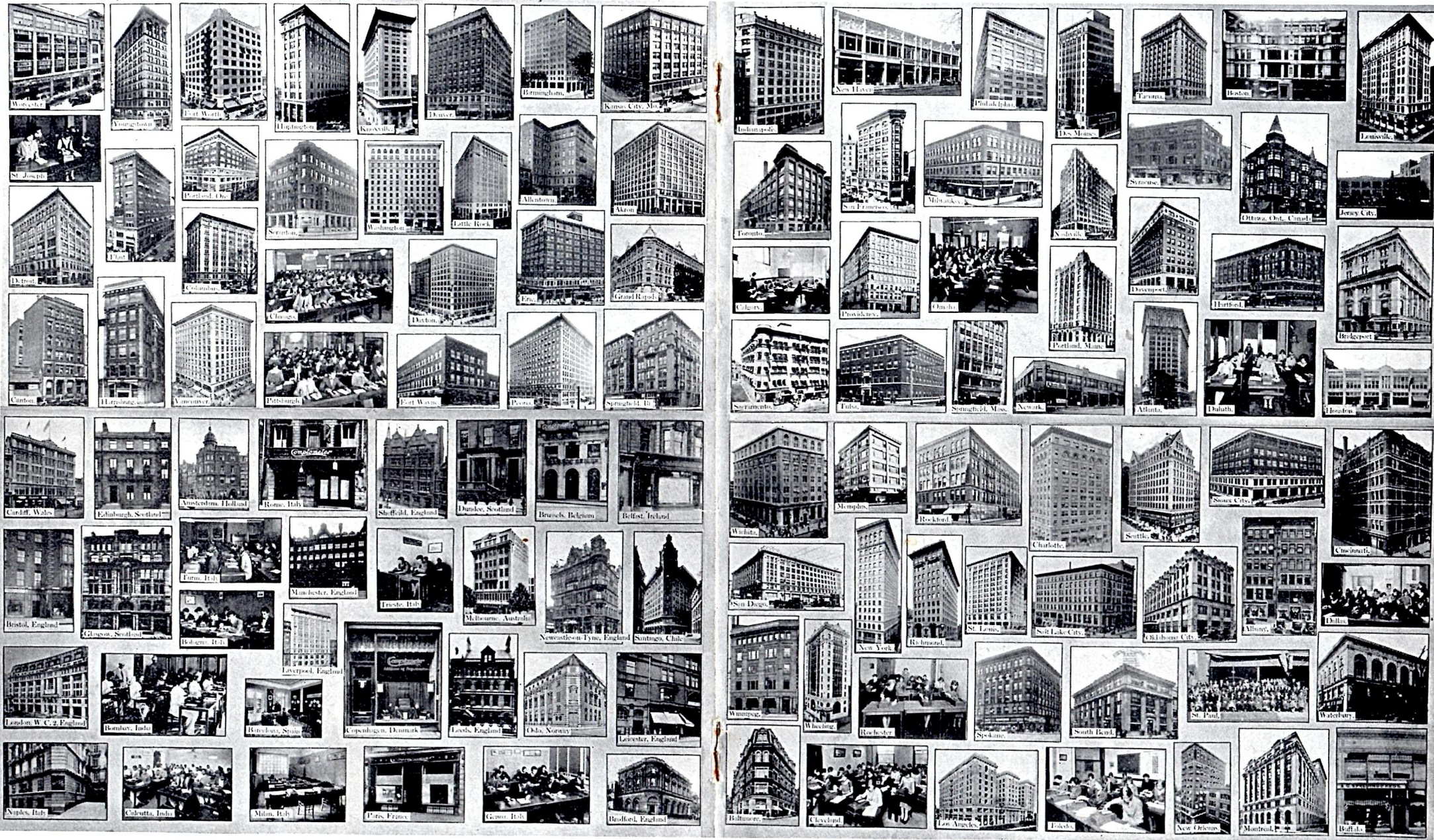
Margaret Bagdon is in the Comptometer Department at Emerson-Brantingham. Marguerite Beckstrom is now with Piggly-Wiggly. Irene Reimer is at A. C. Woods & Co. Erma Austin is with Greenlee Co.

The Greenlee Squared Circle gave a banquet at the Shrine Temple, Friday evening, April 29th. Mr. and Mrs. Baxley were the guests of Mr. Taylor, and Anita Adamson was the guest of her brother. Elizabeth Lounsbury, who is employed at Greenlee was also present, and we noticed she wears a diamond on her left hand.





# Comptometer Service is World-Wide



Each of these pictures shows the location of a Comptometer School and Employment Service.

**St. Louis, Mo.**

Some people are just naturally lucky, and we in St. Louis claim to be IT this time. Miss Alvina Berger, teacher of the St. Louis school, burst into the office one Monday morning a few weeks ago and apprized us of the fact that she was married the afternoon of Saturday, April 23rd. While we were glad that Miss Berger was married, and know that she is just going to be wonderfully happy, we really were not referring in the beginning to her luck—we're the ones that are lucky—'cause Miss Berger is going to keep right on work. Yes sir, she just liked us so much that she made that part of her agreement with hubby.

When the girls in the school heard about it they gave her a shower of kitchen utensils, which no doubt was very much appreciated.

Mr. Opperman, in charge of our Service Department, was married to Miss Loretta Dalton on May 10th.

We are sure that you are with us in wishing both couples happiness.

We have reason to feel proud of two of our latest pupils, the Misses Lois Masson and Margaret Dierker, who walked off with Comptometer Rings in the last month. Miss Masson was placed with the Hess-Leiber Grocery Co., and they report that she is to be congratulated on her good work. Miss Masson also is a fancy diver and swims on the team at Forest Park Highlands.

Mr. Spencer, Principal of two Vocational High Schools, evidently knows something about the Comptometer as well as philosophy, as is indicated by the following soliloquy.

"The SUM of my happiness cannot be obtained by SUBTRACTING happiness from others. To MULTIPLY the value of our possessions we must DIVIDE them with others. The Controlled-key of life will show whether your answer to these is correct."

**Supervisors Get Together**

The Comptometer Department supervisors of thirteen St. Louis business houses were asked by Mr. Newman to meet at our office March 23rd to discuss their problems and exchange ideas. The attendance was one hundred per cent. And what fine types of business women and executives they are.

We felt honored indeed to have such a representative group of splendid young business women meet in our office, and assured them of our hearty co-operation in working out better and more efficient methods of handling the ever-increasing flow of work being routed through the central accounting bureaus. That is the trend of progressive business today, and its popularity is increasing by leaps and bounds.

The intense interest shown by these supervisors surely would have delighted the officials of the companies they represented.

As an after-convention thought, why wouldn't it be a good idea for each supervisor to spend an hour or so visiting one of the other supervisors in her own workshop, and in this way obtain further benefits by an exchange of ideas?

The following supervisors attended:  
 Miss Benton, S. W. Bell Tel. Co.  
 Miss Fisher, Ralston Purina Mills.  
 Miss Hampton, Nugent Bros. Dry Goods Co.  
 Miss Hoff, M. P. R. R., Aud. of Dis.  
 Miss Grimm, American Auto Ins.  
 Miss McDonald, Chevrolet Mot. Co.  
 Miss McDonald, Graham Paper Co.  
 Miss McCarthy, S. W. Bell Tel. Co.  
 Miss McCluskey, Am. Auto Ins.  
 Miss Parker, Roxana Petroleum Co.  
 Miss Smyth, Elders Mfg. Co.  
 Miss Mergit, Ralston Purina Mills.



**Tulsa, Oklahoma**

**T**HE engagement has been announced of Miss Ellen Shaw, Comptometer operator at the Mid-Continent Petroleum Co., to Charles Howard Jones of Atlanta, Ga. Best wishes, Ellen.

Miss Thyra Williford, who hails from Muskogee and is a graduate of the Tulsa Comptometer School, has accepted a position with the Oklahoma Natural Gas Co.

The Independent Oil & Gas Co. wanted an experienced Comptometer operator, but we sent a graduate, Miss Maurine Wright, who made the high grade of 99 per cent on the final test. Both the Independent and Miss Wright seem to be satisfied.

The Misses Burk, Roach, Williford, Sutherland and Wright, Comptometer operators, may be seen lunching together most any day in Candyland. This may be the nucleus of a Comptometer Club.

**Winnipeg Operators Stage Big Benefit Dance**



The Comptometer Girls' Club of Winnipeg, of which Miss Florence Lamontagne was committee chairman, held a dancing party for the benefit of the dependents of the firemen who lost their lives in the Winnipeg Theatre fire. The following account of the party appeared in the Winnipeg Tribune:

"An outstanding success of the season occurred Monday evening, February 14, when nearly 800 Comptometer operators and their friends assembled at the Royal Alexandra Hotel for a Valentine dance.

"The ballroom was tastefully and appropriately decorated, and the profusion of paper hats, streamers and other novelties gave color to the occasion and contributed generally to the joy of the evening. A clown, in the person of Mr. A. Bradshaw, was in charge of ceremonies and kept the dancers lively with his droll antics.

"One of the attractions was the cabaret feature, consisting of a popular dance given by Miss Alice Weir and her Specialty Chorus. This was supplemented by a demonstration of the Red River Jig given by the little Indian princess, Miss Pearl Mulligan of the Comptometer Girls' Club.

"Music was rendered by Dave Steele's orchestra. The proceeds, amounting to \$240.00, will be turned over to the Firemen's Benefit Fund."



**East St. Louis, Ill.**

EDITH FATI

Miss Nelle Krauss, by adding sixty columns on her 22nd day in school, has the distinction of being the first East St. Louis student to win the Comptometer Ring prize.



**Vancouver, British Columbia**

A dramatic recital was lately given by Miss Doris Coghill at the South Vancouver High School Auditorium. Miss Coghill, who belongs to our school, holds the Gold and Grand Gold Medals awarded by the W. C. T. U. of British Columbia.

Her recitations were splendid, and at the close of the performance which included several local artists, she was just about "snowed in" with flowers from the audience.

Here's wishing Miss Coghill the same success with the Comptometer.

Louisville, Ky.

**D**URING a recent visit to Louisville, Ky., the Editor was entertained with true southern hospitality by the genial Mr. Clark and his Comptometer organization.

The Comptometer School and the several big batteries of Comptometers

shown several departments of the store, including the Accounting Department and operators.

The Belknap Hardware Co., by the way, is reputed to be the largest wholesale hardware company in the world. A notable feature of their store is the Cafeteria, with its excellent service and appointments, where



visited furnished ample evidence that Kentucky is indeed the home of beautiful women. Not being able to stay for the Derby, we will concede the "fast horses."

Among the interesting points visited was the scene made famous by Stephen Foster in his immortal song, "My Old Kentucky Home." The "Home" is preserved today and is just as beautiful as when it inspired that typical American folk song.

Near Louisville also stands the first Cathedral to be built west of the Allegheny Mountains. It was erected in 1816 and contains many priceless works of art.

Among the larger Comptometer batteries visited was "Belknap's," with nearly one hundred Comptometers and operators. Through the courtesy of Mr. John Meyer, Auditor, we were

food is served practically at cost. Adjoining the dining room is a dance floor and a commodious room with card tables, for the enjoyment and relaxation of the employees.

A very enjoyable hour was spent at the Louisville & Nashville Ry. The Auditor of Receipts, Mr. Cutter, a typical southern gentleman, showed and explained to us some very interesting features of their up-to-date accounting system.

The Louisville & Nashville Railroad Co. purchased its first Comptometer on April 14, 1905. In the latter part of 1906 three more were bought.

Today there are in use on the L. & N. System, in the General Offices and at large junction points, 163 Comptometers. Fifty-three of these machines are used in the Auditor of Freight Accounts' office, Louisville.

San Francisco, Calif.

F. MARCHBANKS

We have learned that Miss Helen Veit of the General S. S. Co. has been promoted to the position of Cashier.

Miss Anita Sharkey, Comptometer operator at the Hotel St. Francis, is now Mrs. Chenosky. Mr. and Mrs. Chenosky are spending their honeymoon in the Northwest.

We understand that Miss Marie Mason, Comptometer operator at Dodge-Sweeney Co., and a member of the Theater Arts Club, took a prominent part in one of their recent plays. From all reports, she proved as capable as in her every-day "role."

Shreveport, Louisiana

Shreveport is one of the newest schools but we will soon be heard from as we are meeting soon to organize a Comptometer Club. We have the distinction of having more men than women operators.

Mrs. Reid, the Comptometer instructor, tells the following story. In a conversation with a stenographer, they were discussing the care of their finger nails, and the stenographer said her nails were in a bad shape, due to the fact she had been keeping house. Mrs. Reid replied that she kept house also, and that, too, she used the Comptometer. The stenographer said, in a disgusted tone, "I heard another girl give that same reason for having bad nails. Why will you girls always be trying something new? I never use anything but Cutex."

We are glad to welcome the Swift & Company boys to our Comptometer family. We know that soon they will wonder how they got along without a Comptometer as long as they did.



Blossom time in California

Flint, Mich.

**T**HE engagement was announced recently of Miss Frances Musil to Mr. Wm. Glem of Boyne City, Miss Musil is a graduate of the Milwaukee School, and has been in the Comptometer Department of the Chevrolet Motor Co. for the past year.

Mrs. Marvin Proctor is on the way back to the old home town, Atlanta, Ga., to take a position with the Atlanta branch of the A. C. Spark Plug Co.

The following new operators have recently been added to the Comptometer force at the Chevrolet Motor Co.: Katherine Deplanty and Miss Loretta Flickinger of the Flint School; Miss Rhoda Mulligan and sister of the Winnipeg School; Miss Marie Johnson, Grand Rapids School; and Miss Marian Callis of the Detroit School.

Miss Maxine Whaley of the Fisher Body Co., Cost Dept., is booked for a part in a play to be given soon by the Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Credit is due Miss Lena Lown for reporting the news from the Chevrolet Motor Co.

Miss Helen Kelch of Detroit was in recently to practice on addition and points.

Regina, Sask.



Some Winnipeg operators now with the Sask. Wheat Pool.

The Wheat Pool operators are pleased to hear that Miss Ada Cooley is having such a good time in Edmonton, and wish her the best of luck.

Mr. Hicks and Mr. McLeod are leaving at the end of the month for Portland, Ore., and will be greatly missed by the old Winnipeg-ers. Best of luck, Herbie and Albert!

The girls are wondering what the big attraction is in New York for Grace McMurdie, as it really is a little early for summer vacations yet.

Philadelphia, Pa.

MISS Rose Ritchie, one of our valuable temporary operators, was recently married to Mr. C. F. Wilkinson, of the Contracting Dept. of the U. G. I.

Miss Gertrude Hill has attained the coveted goal by adding 60 columns correctly on her 20th day in school, and passed the Ring Test with the excellent average of 93 per cent.

Miss Alice Egan has also received the prize Comptometer ring by adding 62 columns correctly on her 20th day in school. On the Ring Test she made an average of 91 per cent.

Miss Katherine Geisdorf has resumed her duties at the General Baking Co. after five weeks' illness, suffering from nervous prostration.

On Monday afternoon, March 28th, fifty-five students from the Commercial Class of the Frankford High School visited our school accompanied by their teachers, Mrs. Raby and Mr. Warner. First we had a demonstration on Addition and Multiplication by the entire school. Then our Miss

Murray made a speed demonstration which thrilled the students very much. Miss White gave instructions on the Controlled-key, and from the chart on the blackboard explained how Division and Subtraction were done on the Comptometer. Altogether we had a very pleasant afternoon.

While Mr. Nevins was visiting the Philadelphia office recently he put on a very interesting speed test. To the young lady who could add the highest number of columns correctly in a half hour he offered a five dollar prize. Miss Ruth Moffitt, who added 35 columns with 35 correct, was the winner.

Calgary, Alta.

B. PROCTOR

Mrs. Elsie McCarthy, Comptometer operator at the Alberta Pacific Grain Co., recently underwent an operation for appendicitis, but is now on the road to recovery.

Miss Vira Leach of the Alberta Pool Elevators has been ill for some time. We shall be glad to see Vira out again.

Miss Mary McDonald has gone to Vancouver with her parents. She has been with P. Burns & Co. for the past year, and we wish Mary all kinds of good luck in her move.

Miss Evelyn McNair of Wood Vallance was married recently to Mr. C. E. Atkinson, who has been transferred to Big Valley for the C. N. R. They met in the Comptometer School here—so girls, beware!

Miss Benita Muir has accepted a position as Comptometer operator with Wood Vallance Co., Ltd.

During a test to develop Calgary's fastest and most accurate operator, Miss Anna B. Reeves, employed by the Local Freight Office of the C. P. R., was the winner of the gold signet ring awarded by the Comptometer School. Miss Reeves added 1410 totals of 5 figures each in 30 minutes, or an average of 44 per minute. The time also included writing down 49 answers.

Peoria, Ill.

HELEN MITCHELL

Cecil Clemens is back at the American Milling Company after having been in Detroit for some time.

Miss Maude Shaw is also back at the American Milling Company.

Miss Neva Defenbaugh added sixty-three columns correctly on her 20th day in school and received the Ring Prize.

Milwaukee, Wis.

ON February 21st, Comptometer Operators from Milwaukee and vicinity, 140 in number, met at the Hotel Medford for a 6:30 dinner. The object of this "get together" was to form a club. The speaker of the evening was Miss Jones of the American Appraisal Co. Following is the result of the election of officers:

- Lucille M. Lafferty, President.
- Helen Ryden, Vice-President.
- Ruth Jorgensen, Secretary-Treas.
- Ann Mathews, Treasurer.
- Edith Wells, Chairman of Entertainment Committee.

The second party was held on March 21st at the Elks' Club; it was a card and bunco party. The attendance numbered nearly 200, which goes to show that the girls are showing the right spirit.

Due to bad weather the party held April 25th was not so well attended, but we are hoping that every operator who has not attended heretofore will be present at the second Card and Bunco Party, which will be held May 16th, at the Elks' Club.

It has been rumored that the next "Party" is going to be a "Picnic." Be sure your name is on the mailing list so that you will get all the particulars when the notices go out.

Every so often one of the operators takes the big step. Now it is Ruth Koplín, who has changed her name to Mrs. Roy DuMez. Our best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. DuMez.

"Richard Victor" came to gladden the hearts and home of his proud parents, Mr. and Mrs. Victor Manhardt, Jr., on March 11th, 1927. Mrs. Manhardt was formerly Malene La Feber.

Miss Mabel Klumb has recently joined the Milwaukee Comptometer office force, to assist with the teaching, etc.

Dallas, Texas

Mrs. Bernice Doggett Sheffield entered the Dallas Comptometer School in September, 1917, and after graduation was placed with the Texas & Pacific Ry. She remained there for one year and then entered the employ of the City Tax Department as Comptometer operator. Here she was so efficient and did her work so well that her salary was substantially increased.

Mr. Stern, Credit Manager for A. Harris & Co., one of the South's largest department stores, while making a tax rendition was attracted by Mrs.

with a large mail order house as soon as she finished school, and was so efficient she received a raise of \$5.00 per week within thirty days after starting to work.

Mrs. Ina MacCune was promoted from head of the Comptometer department with a large oil company to the commission desk, which is a very important position.

Sheffield's business-like manner and thorough knowledge of tax problems, and offered her the position of Assistant Credit Manager. She still holds that position and is now one of the highest paid women in the business world of this city.

Portland, Maine



Miss Helen Costello, now enrolled in the Portland, Maine, Comptometer School, was married to William L. Casey on April 25th. After her honeymoon Mrs. Casey will continue her studies in the school.

Miss Helen MacConal of Glasgow, Scotland, who has been visiting relatives in Portland, and who entered the Portland School a few weeks ago, will complete her course next week. On the 5th of June Miss MacConal and her mother will sail for Glasgow on the S. S. California from Boston.

**Indianapolis, Ind.**

WINNIFRED WARSTAT

Immediately after completing the Comptometer course Mrs. Leo M. Connor left with her husband for Denver and other points in the West. From a letter received at this office it appears that when she grows tired of sight-seeing she plans to continue with her Comptometer work.

How's this record! Miss Virginia Lindsay, a Butler College student, entered our Day School for half days only—her mornings being devoted to her college classes. After attending school fifty afternoons (the equivalent of twenty-five full days) and seven Saturday mornings, she completed all points up to and including Test Seven, and then passed the final with a grade of 97½ per cent. Miss Lindsay is from Louisville, Ky., but after June of this year will make Indianapolis her home.

Miss Marion Helen Terry won the scholarship of a Free Comptometer Course offered by Mr. Hammer at Technical High School this past semester.

Miss Pearl Sanders and Miss Gladys Kennington are now with the Standard Oil Co., and they, with the other operators in the office, appreciate the four new Comptometers they recently received.

Miss Esther Heierman is now a "Milkmaid" at the Polk Sanitary Milk Co., having accepted a position in the Comptometer Department.

**Kansas City, Mo.**

IDA WOLFBERG

**F**RIENDS of Miss Martine Emert, daughter of Mrs. Flossie Emert, 1504 Wood Ave., Kansas City, Kan., will be glad to learn that she has been awarded a Hearst Scholarship at the California State University.

This is the highest honor that can be bestowed upon a California State University student, and is awarded on the basis of character and merit. Another stipulation is that the student must be self-supporting. Winning this scholarship also makes Miss Emert eligible to be sent abroad for a year's study at some foreign university as representative of her school.

As a member of the University of California Debating Team, Miss Emert and another young lady were sent to Seattle, Wash., to debate with representatives of the Women's Divi-

sion of the University of Washington. It was a no decision debate, but all the honors went to the California girls. Martine was one of two debaters who defeated Leland Stanford representatives, and also the Men's Division of the University of California. In recognition of the creditable way in which she has represented the school in the debating course she has received an Honor Pin from the University.

Miss Emert took the Comptometer Course in Kansas City, Mo., after her graduation from High School in 1918 and then worked as Comptometer operator almost continuously until her entrance to the California State University.



Miss Mildred Rogers started with Harzfeld's about seven years ago as Comptometer operator. She proved so capable and dependable that when her present position was open she was given a chance at it—and made good. Miss Rogers has complete charge of Bills Payable, and has proven her ability to accept all the responsibility that goes with it.

Miss Rogers' popularity and wide circle of friends recently won for her a trip to New York, in a contest sponsored by the Women's Chamber of Commerce.



Top row, left to right: Miss Ursula Wilson, Miss Agnes Perkins, Miss Florence Condon, Miss Rose Ross. Bottom row, left to right: Miss Lorene Parker, Miss Sybil Solomon, Comptometer Instructor, Miss Margaret Merriam. These are the girls who organized the Memphis Comptometer Club.

**Memphis, Tenn.**

**T**HE operators of Memphis have formed a "Comptometer Club." The organization meeting was held March 21st and the following were elected: Ruth Russell, Pres.; Louise Nelson, Vice-Pres.; Jeanette Englert, Secretary; Diamond Crowe, Treas.

Both Miss Russell and Miss Crowe are working for the Illinois Central Railroad. Miss Englert is operator at the Memphis Baking Co., and Miss Nelson is head operator at B. Lowenstein & Bros.

The meetings are to be held on the third Monday of each month, and the members have planned a lot of good times. Our Club should be a success for there are three hundred active operators in Memphis and new ones always entering the profession.

Miss Ruth Douglass of Springfield, Mo., was transferred to Memphis on May 1st, and is now with the Division Accountant's office of the Frisco R. R.

Miss Montell Winstett is back on the job at the Standard Oil Co. of La., Memphis office, after a month's sickness.

Miss Susie West is now teaching the Night Class. Miss Edith Finley had to give up instructing the night class because of taking a position with the Missouri Pacific R. R., Local Freight Dept., where her hours are from 10 A. M. to 7 P. M.

Miss Louise Nelson finished the course in December, 1922. She went to work at B. Lowenstein & Bros., Inc., as check sorter. Now she is head operator in the General Book-keeping Department, and vice-president of the Comptometer Club.



Above is the "Comptometer Scatlet" in the Foreign Dept. of J. Goldsmith's. Left to right: Catherine Wright, Lillian Sargent, Mary Rieff, Era Cooper, Lena Garaghty, Ellen McKinnon.

**Little Rock, Ark.**

Little Rock Prize Winners

To find out who were the best Comptometer operators in Little Rock, all operators and students were invited to participate in a special Speed Contest. This contest created widespread interest during the ten days it was held, and the 21 highest were awarded prizes. Following is a list of the prize winners:

First prize, Mrs. Florence Reitz, Loving Cup and Comptometer Ring.

Winners of Comptometer Ring:

- Miss Nina Young, Mo. P. R. R.
- Miss Violet Ray, Rock Island R. R.
- Mrs. F. Courtney, Pfeifer Bros.
- Miss Ann Dickey, Mag. Pet. Co.
- Mrs. B. Fennigan, Beal-Burrow.
- Mrs. Kate Hill, Pfeifer Bros.
- Mrs. Eva McLean, Pfeifer Bros.
- Mrs. Iva Cooper, Int. Rev. Office.
- Miss Addie Williams, Hessig-Ellis.

Winners of Comptometer Pin:

- Miss Ruby Robinson, Gus Blass Co.
- Miss Nell Foley, Sw. Bell Tel. Co.
- Mrs. D. Jones, Gus Blass Co.
- Miss Mabel Page, Sw. Bell Tel. Co.
- Mrs. Linnie Forbess, Sw. Bell T. Co.
- Miss Kath. Kollress, Hessig-Ellis.

Miss Ruby Young, Doyle D. G. Co.  
Miss Ernestine Ambort, Comp. Sch.  
Miss Louise Matthews, Pfeifer Bros.  
Miss Jeanette Beasley, M. P. R. R.  
Miss Frances Beasley, Pfeifer Bros.

One of the largest classes ever graduated from the Little Rock Comptometer School will receive their diplomas on May 19th, and invitations have been issued for the graduation exercises. The students are having a wonderful time preparing the class "Will," Prophecy, Talks, etc. In fact, it's to be a regular graduation, with all the thrills that graduates love.

The class president, Miss Marion Duncan, is giving an afternoon tea in their honor; and Miss Ann Dickey, Comptometer operator with the Magnolia Petroleum Co., is having them as her guests at a theatre party. Most of these girls are already holding good positions. Although their graduation invitations read, "No Presents Accepted," Miss Dickey says she hopes her present to each of the girls not working will be a job by the 19th.

Miss Jeanette Beasley added sixty columns on her 24th day in school and won the Comptometer Ring.

**Omaha, Nebr.**

GENEVIEVE PAWLISON

Leona Edwards, one of our recent graduates, has announced her engagement to the Rev. Carl Stromberg. The wedding is to take place on June 8th, and her many Comptometer friends wish her lots of happiness and good luck.

The following students have recently won honor rings: Jane Rogers.

Esther Myers. Janet Myers.

The Riggs Optical Co. have moved their main office to Chicago. They have taken with them two of their Comptometer operators; namely, Albertha Coffey and Gunda Meier.

A May Day picnic was given as a farewell to Eunice V. Cunningham, instructor, who has recently gone to accept a position in St. Joseph, Mo. The picnic was held at Kings Lake, about 25 miles out of Omaha.

Rose E. Magnuson, who has been an operator for about six years, has accepted a position as instructor and demonstrator in the Omaha office.

We claim to have held the earliest hike of any school in the Middle West. St. Patrick's day was the red-letter day. Clad in knickers and regulation hiking apparel, we journeyed out to a pleasant spot on the river drive. We were so busy building a fire and playing games that we nearly forgot to eat, which is unheard of on a hike. However, there was plenty of everything for everyone, and we ate to the tune of Mr. Russell's imitations of circus barkers, amid comments on the coffee, and hilarious laughter.

We finished off our adventures by riding back into town, seven in and on a Ford coupe, and twelve distributed around Mr. Russell's Chrysler sedan.

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**Columbus, Ohio**

THELMA SHADE

MISS Margaret Hagedorn, St. Albans, N. Y., and Miss Helen Ross, Brooklyn, N. Y., have just left Columbus to go back to their fair state. Both of these girls are employed by Ford, Bacon & Davis, Inc., of New York City, and were here in Columbus doing some work for the Ohio Fuel Co. We sure hated to see these young ladies leave.

Leora McGinnis recently left her position at the Ohio Bureau of Coal Statistics to take a ride on the sea of matrimony. The lucky man is Joseph T. King. We all join in wishing them both much happiness.

Miss Iretha Root, one of our recent Ring winners, deserves honorable mention. She entered the Columbus Comptometer School March 21, and although she works in Lazarus' Tea Room from 10:30 to 2:30 she has been able to complete her course in eight weeks. She also keeps a set of books in the evening at home for a doctor.

Aside from her commercial accomplishments she is also quite a talented musician, broadcasting over WAIU on both the piano and saxophone. When she has nothing else to do Miss Root improves her education by reading good literature and practicing penmanship.



Omaha Picnic



# THE COMPTOMETER IN AUSTRALIA

Far off on the other side of the world lies Australia, a country almost equal in area to the United States.

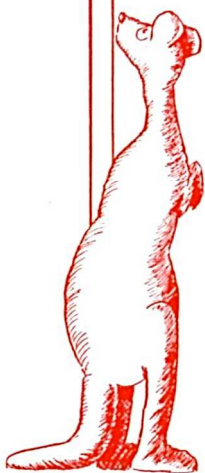
Between the people of that great and rapidly developing Island of the southern seas, and the people of our own country, exists a bond of esteem, friendship and mutual understanding born of a common experience in the pioneering of new worlds and the creation of kindred civilizations.

Twenty years ago Australia was much more remote from the rest of the world than it is today, when men fly on wings of the air and talk through the ether from continent to continent over the intervening seas. When the Comptometer first made its appearance in that distant land in 1906, modern office appliances were rarely seen in business offices there. In that year, Peacock Bros. Pty., Ltd., Melbourne, who even then were strongly established and widely known as stationers and printers in that section, became general agents for the Comptometer in Australia.

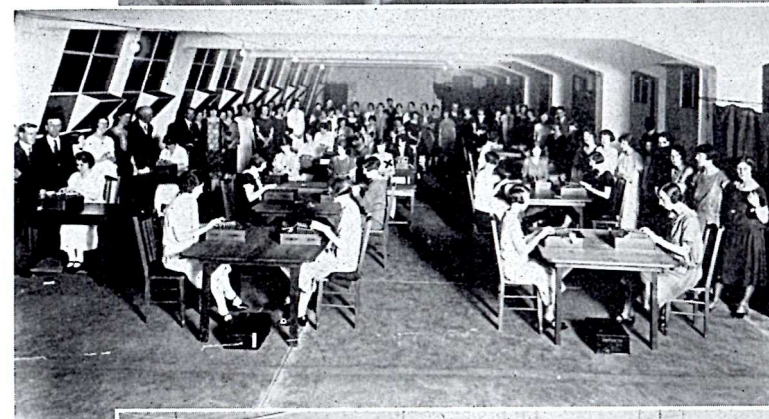
In the 20 years that have intervened the business has grown and developed into an enterprise of national scope, with lines that include printing, stationery, loose-leaf office books, Business Systems and office equipment. Naturally the Comptometer shared in this development, so that today Peacock Bros. have branch Comptometer Agencies in Sydney, Adelaide, Brisbane and Perth where they provide the same helpful service to both students and users of the Comptometer that we do here.

There, as here, progressive business men are coming to know the value of Comptometer speed and to realize that the Comptometer with a trained operator will do more figure work at less cost than any other known combination—whether it be on full time work with the machine or dividing time on other work.

Mr. Edgar H. Peacock with his sister, Miss Adele Peacock, recently completed a six months' tour of the United States, combining business with pleasure as they visited principal cities all the way from coast to coast. Early in March they returned to San Francisco where they embarked for the long voyage back to their Australian home.



*Comptometer School at Melbourne*



*Nearly 100 operators engaged in a speed test to develop the fastest adder in Australia. First prize was won by Kathryn E. Smith of Melbourne.*

*Accounting Department  
David Jones & Co., Ltd.,  
Sydney*





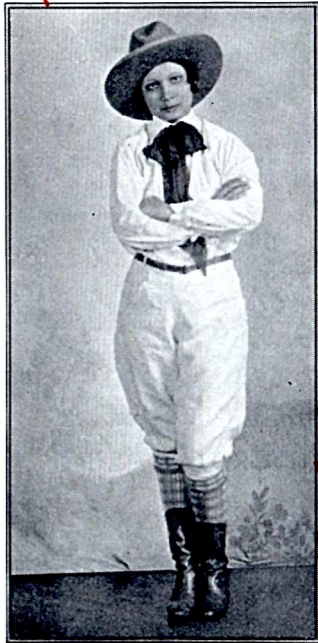
*Dawn Jones, Little Rock, though never having attended a Comptometer School, recently added 107 standard columns correctly in one hour.*



*Time in on W.A.I.U., Columbus, Ohio, and hear Iretha Root on the piano and saxophone. Miss Root also wears the Comptometer Ring.*



*Miss Lillian Knutsen of Portland, Ore., Junior National Diving Champion from the 10-foot board. Miss Knutsen is also a "ring" operator, having won this distinction on her 25th day in school.*



*Miss Lila Conn, Ft. Worth, practicing for the "Rangers".*



*Mrs. Florence Reitz, winner of the loving cup in Little Rock for highest score in addition speed contest.*

# Who's Who In Comptometer Schools



MISS Caroline White first joined the Comptometer organization in Charlotte, N. C., on October 27, 1916, as demonstrator. Then on April 8, 1918, she went to Chicago to take the sales training course.

On October 15, 1918 we opened an office in Columbia, S. C., and placed Miss White in charge. While there she conducted both the day and night schools, gave service to our old customers and also solicited business.

She returned to Charlotte, N. C., September 1, 1919, and resumed her old duties under Mr. W. E. Sloan.

Miss White was away from the Comptometer fold from October, 1920, until April, 1922, when she started in the Philadelphia office as outside instructress. She has continued in this position ever since, and also supervises the school and the employment department.

Miss White has done good work, especially in developing the night school to the point where many times it has been necessary to turn down applicants due to our lack of space.





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