

## Ayers, Montgomery, Prout Get Steel Firm Promotions

Appointment of William T. Ayers as superintendent of engineering and maintenance of the Torrance Works of U. S. Steel's Columbia-Geneva Steel Division, was announced by C. C. Morgan, general superintendent.

Formerly superintendent of rolling mill, Ayers succeeds Carl S. Warner, who retired Nov. 30 after 50 years with U. S. Steel.

Simultaneous announcement of two other appointments was made. William M. Montgomery, formerly superintendent of open hearth, has been named superintendent of rolling mill, and Robert J. Prout

he served successively as assistant superintendent of maintenance and utilities, and assistant superintendent of open hearth until promoted to superintendent of open hearth in 1954. Montgomery and his wife, Constance, live at 2701 Gramercy Ave. with their two children.

He is a member of the U. S. Naval Academy Alumni Association, the American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers and the Association of Iron and Steel Engineers.

Moves Up Again  
Prout was born at Hancock, Mich., and received his B.S. degree in metallurgical engineering from Michigan Tech in 1938. He joined U. S. Steel's Gary Works that same year, serving in various laboratory capacities at the Indiana steel mill until 1946 when he was named supervisor of metallurgical laboratory at the Geneva Works, Utah. After serving successively as supervisor of specifications and chief inspector of the Geneva Works, Prout came to the Torrance Works in 1953 as general supervisor of metallurgy. In January, 1954, he was named works metallurgist and in August, 1954, was appointed assistant superintendent of open hearth.

He and his wife, Selma, live at 1008 Eriel Ave. with their two children. He is a member of the Association of Iron and Steel Engineers and the Alondra Park Men's Club.



WILLIAM T. AYERS

has been promoted from assistant superintendent to superintendent of open hearth.

Here Since 1951

A native of Toledo, Ohio, Ayers holds B.S. and M.E. degrees from Cornell University in 1940. Following service in the Navy, he joined Columbia-Geneva in 1946 as a mechanical engineer in San Francisco. Classes will a year at the firm's day, Jan. 2, 1947 (Calif.) Works as project development



WILLIAM M. MONTGOMERY

engineer, he was transferred to the Torrance Works in a similar capacity in 1951. In 1952 he was named assistant superintendent of maintenance and utilities, and in 1953 was appointed assistant superintendent of rolling mill which position he held until advanced to superintendent of that department in 1954.

Ayers and his wife, Peggy, live at 3105 Via La Selva, Palos Verdes, with their five children. He is a member of the Palos Verdes Neighborhood Church, the Palos Verdes Breakfast Club and the Association of Iron and Steel Engineers.

In Naval Academy  
Born at Anaconda, Mont., Montgomery at an early age moved to Glendale, where he attended John C. Fremont Elementary School and was graduated from Glendale High School. Following attendance at New Mexico Military Institute, he enrolled at the U. S. Naval Academy where he received his B.S. degree in electrical engineering in 1941. He served in the Navy from 1941 to 1947 as assistant gunnery officer of the USS Essex and as executive officer of Fighting Squadron 82 with the rank of lieutenant commander.

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## Families Together for Holiday Celebrations 'News of the Week'

By VERA C. WRIGHT  
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A very happy birthday to a charming 1-year-old, Edward White (Baby Eddie) who happily gurgled as neighborhood youngsters gathered around for ice cream and cake to celebrate the happy occasion!

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Davis, 18337 Roslin Ave., celebrated Christmas with their sons, Ernie, Richard and Carl, and sister, Mrs. Earl Nichols, with husband Earl and daughter Diana and Mr. S. E. Davis in their own home and very happily, too, for while consuming their traditional Christmas dinner and all the trimmings they received a phone call from another son in Oklahoma.

Fried chicken and all that goes with it was on the menu for the Herring family where Shirleen, Johnny, and Patty along with father Paul and mother Audrey welcomed dinner guests, Birdie Herring and David Minear.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Westmoreland with daughter Sue and son Benny, of 18305 Roslin Ave., entertained married daughter Marian Torrence, her husband Ray and grandchildren Larry, Mike and Terry with a huge traditional Christmas breakfast.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Phillips with son George enjoyed a fabulous dinner with friends, the B. Oarolis of Redondo Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth McVey, daughters Cherylne and Julienne and son David enjoyed sharing their dinner with grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Ferguson, of Tucson, Ariz. This was just a prelude to the open house held on Wednesday, Dec. 26, in honor of their parents. Many original and beautiful Christmas decorations graced the tables and hallways made by clever Ken which enhanced the McVey chalet to perfection.

Lovely Julienne served cranberry punch to everyone in attendance under the guidance of her lovely mom Naomi.

Coffee and fruit cake were the refreshments served by Mr. and Mrs. Ray Torrence, 1223 Electric St., to those dropping in on them during the past week. Ray has been doing a wonderful job adding on a lovely new room for daughter Terry.

Mr. and Mrs. John F. White with daughter Jeannette Marie and son Eddie welcomed cousins, Mr. and Mrs. William Wright, with sons Wayne and Billy, and Sarah Hooker with son David.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Burch, 18229 Roslin Ave., entertained their large family with grandchildren galore and it was a marvelous opportunity with grandfather Vernon to get reacquainted with all the wee ones that he had been unable to visit during his long siege in the hospital.

Betty and Bob Dunn entertained nightly during the past week at their 18320 Roslin Ave. home.

Happy birthday to pretty red-haired Cherylne Morris who does not think Dec. 28 is an appropriate date for a birthday. It is too soon after Christmas and it is very convenient for everyone to add to her Christmas present, merry Christmas and happy birthday! I agree with you, Cherylne, and I know that you will find some birthday gifts by your best friend this birthday!

A very happy anniversary to Joan and Jim Edwards who celebrated their 20th wedding anniversary by flying to Las Vegas for a week end only to discover that they won some cash and were able to stretch the two days into five!

The entire community is

looking forward along with the Saxons to viewing the senior play, "Dear Ruth," which is now in rehearsal. We are looking forward with pride to seeing the many talented seniors perform. Our neighborhood is gathering together for dinner before attending the performance.

John Swift, Arthur Morris, and Leland Andrews did not realize that they shocked three beauties from New York by asking them to go to the beach on the day before Christmas! Just three days before they had been wearing woolly boots, mittens, wool skirts, sweaters, heavy coats and scarves and wool caps. It's no wonder that Ruthie, Ellen and Debbie Waterman were shocked at the beach swimming invitation but they had a wonderful time.

Devil's food cake, popcorn balls, pop and laughter add up to a party, and so it was when Eddie Baker and his six fellow friends got together to munch away and compare muscles!

I can truthfully say that miniature golf is not the safe, sane game it pretends to be, for upon hitting a hole-in-one I proceeded to do a back flip and a five-foot roll, much to the amazement of my husband and son. After a three-hour visit at the emergency hospital a cracked coccyx bone was discovered and I now find myself the owner of a beautiful

foam rubber cushion which follows me around. I can still see the sunny side of things, though, for I am not to sweep, make beds or bend over for three or four months!

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. MacKenzie and good-looking sons, Freddie and Kenny, have been holding open house during the holidays at their 4332 17th St. home. Everyone is eagerly awaiting open house next year for they were treated to viewing the magnificent train set-up along with their glass of punch. Much time, love, and effort has gone into preparing the train village.

Happy birthday to Mamie Murphy who is spending the holidays with son Rufus, wife Mary, and granddaughter Mamie Lou. Mamie is really enjoying herself for she just arrived from cold New York. Neighbors combined finances to present her with a dozen red roses, just in time for breakfast!

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Best wishes to Phil Meyers of 4330 180th St. who was slightly under the weather on Christmas eve with a case of the stomach flu.

Best wishes also to little Jane Gordon who hurt her right thumb while trying out her little pogo stick on Christmas.

Persons are still talking about the wonderful gesture on the part of Mr. and Mrs. Charles T. Hynes, 18321 Roslin Ave., who were responsible

for Santa Claus visiting the many wee ones on Roslin Ave. calling them by their first names and presenting them with a candy cane early Christmas eve making sure that they went to bed early!

Three excited little girls with lovely ballerina dolls are Kaylene Slatten, Nona Wisdom and Susie Westmoreland while Ernie Davis and David Hooker proudly display new bikes.

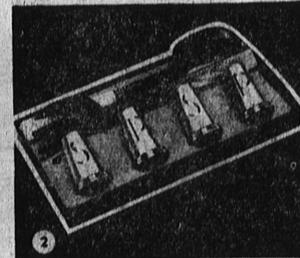
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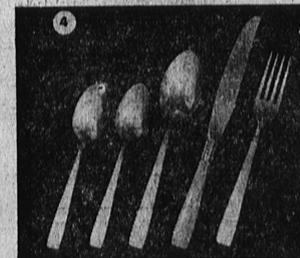
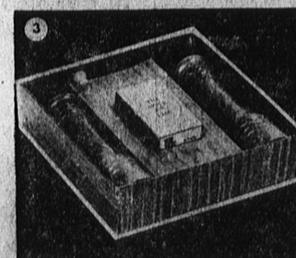
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