The Florence Hardware Womens' bowling team won first place in the Thursday morning early birds' league.

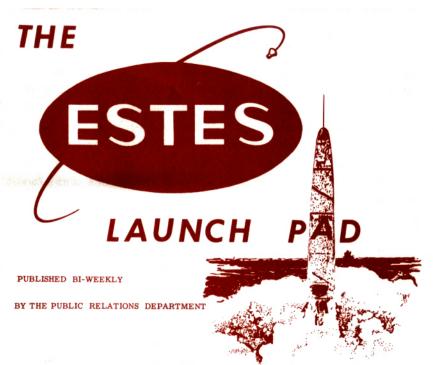
Members are Alice Hardrick, Margaret Van Riper, Jean Roberts and Joyce Watkins. They received trophies and patches at the banquet held May 5th.

Other bowling news has B.J. Schmidt as the most improved average in the Thursday A. M. league. She raised her average 15 points, however she would rather not be asked about her Sunday night league record.

Joanne Marie Murphy, daughter of Rose Murphy, is said to be recovering from burns received early this month. Rose has had to leave E.I. to care for the child. All of us at E.I. wish little Joanne well.

If you have news that should appear in the LAUNCH PAD please notify me. The deadline for the next issue will be next Friday, the 27th.

Norm Avery Extension 5



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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, Czechoslavakia. Vern, Gleda and eldest daughter, Betty, will depart next week to represent us at the meet. The family will be gone for about two weeks and plan to mix business with a short pleasure trip.

There will be seven members in the American team and the Estes family makes up 3/7 of the entire team. The U.S. team will be the only free world entrie. Other countries participating will be Hungary, Germany (East), Russia, Poland, Yugoslavia and, of course, Czechoslavakia.



NOTICE, for your information -

The Denver line is now open for employees use after the hour of 7 P.M. each evening and all day Sunday. All you need to do is push the button with 623-6336 under it and dial the Denver number. This is a direct line through the Denver exchange. Oh yes, please check to see if the line is in use before you dial. If you have any questions about this service let me know.



George Miller, our purchasing agent is back with us. George has been convalescing from a back operation for the past five months.

## Welcome to New Members

Pauline Van Meter is a member of the day shipping crew. She is married to Dale R. Van Meter who is employed at the State Prison. They have four children - Bobby, Janice, Donnie and Jimmie.



Another new employee, on swing shift, is Sylvia Gasser. Her husband, Robert, is a mail carrier and they have four children – Steven, David, Gary and Ronald. The Gassers have lived in the area since Thanksgiving when they moved here from Colorado Springs.



Oxford's Grocery store in Canon City will be giving away several model rockets tomorrow. There will be a launch in the store parking lot starting at 9:30. If you have time stop by and see the launch.



Roy Burns, Vern Estes and Bill Simons spent four days last week attending the Design Engineering convention in Chicago The convention provided an opportunity to see new production methods and learn new skills.