I recall in the early days Mr. Eastman made a new camera. I am under the impression that it was a 6½ x 8½ in which he took great pride. One day he took it out on trial and made some pictures. He usually tried out his cameras first. He gave the negatives to the foreman of the printing department, where I worked as a toner, with instructions to do his best work on them. The foreman, Mr. Simon Haus gave them to me to tone with instructions to be very particular about them as Mr. Eastman was very critical and wanted the best work possible, with many misgivings as to my ability to do them as he wanted them — he liked a rather dark tone. I started my task and put them thru with the result that later I heard from him, thru Mr. Haus that they were very satisfactory and he was well pleased with them.

I heard nothing more for two or three months when a similar order came thru with instructions to give them to the same man that made the previous ones and to have them exactly as the others — that was some job as it was hard to remember the exact tone of the others. Evidently all were satisfactory for I never heard any criticism about them. After that I had all of Mr. Eastman’s special work to do.

I also recall Mr. Eastman’s versatility and critical eye — how he helped one out of a problem. We were getting out some rather large prints for advertising. We mounted them on matt board with a beveled edge and this in turn was put on a large mount. The matt board was of rather heavy stock and I had to cut the bevel. We used a beveling machine and after the knife had engaged and the stock the resistance increased it would spring the knife over and make a slight curve in the stock at the end. Mr. Eastman solved the problem by having me start the knife in a waste piece of stock.
These were very satisfactory as it gave them an embossed appearance.

Mr. Eastman was always very patient and seemed to be able to find a practical way out of any difficulty. He was a very practical and efficient man.

F. H. Boyer

(Note: Mr. Boyer is the oldest employee of the E.K. Co. at the present time. He was presented with a medal for 50 years of service last week.)
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