



BILL ERWIN OF THE FINE PAPER DIVISION WITH HIS ROCKS AND INDIAN RELICS.

At an age when most boys were far more interested in throwing rocks than collecting them, Bill Erwin, of the Fine Paper Division, began saving unusual rocks that he picked up. Bill was only eight years old then, but this keen interest continues to this day and the result of this start is more than 2,000 beautiful rocks, Indian arrowheads, and relics.

The dividends that come your way in this fascinating hobby are two-fold. First, the thrill of having so many rare items is present. Then, as you collect such rarities, you learn much about the history of the locality in which they are found. Especially is this true with the Indian arrowheads. Bill's most recent book he has purchased is about North Carolina Indians, and it's significant to note that W. J. Morgan, father of Jack Morgan, contributed pictures and written material to this volume. He is considered an authority on Indian lore.

Perhaps the most attractive rocks in Bill's array are the quartz crystals. They're in all colors and many of them are so perfectly shaped that it looks like a machine did the planing. His huge piece of green quartz found near Marion, is probably his most valuable item.

Bill has several pieces of "fool's gold" which is really magnesium. He also has a piece of petrified wood that strangely gets smaller with time. The hollow rocks which are called "gouds" are filled with crystal-like objects. Bill has broken open all these except one and of course it's very tempting not to crack it open to see if it is any different from the others.

Included in Bill's semi-precious stones are topaz and garnet. He had a ring made for his wife out of a beautiful piece of red garnet.

The assortment of Indian relics would be a credit to a museum. The stone axes, tomahawks, mortar block and pedestal, knife, spoon, and other items give you an insight on how primitively the Indians lived.

Bill's collection came from just about everywhere, but most of it was found locally. His boy, who is a member of the Brevard high school football team, found one of the arrowheads on the football field.

The rocks are arranged in an attractive case and the arrowheads are mounted on a velvet covered board as shown in the pictures.

Bill has the first rock with

Fiske-Carter Man, Well-Known Here, Killed In Wreck

Wyatt Wardlaw, an employee of Fiske-Carter, and well-known here through his work with the construction company, was killed Saturday morning, October 18, in an automobile accident near Union, S. C. Three other Fiske-Carter men were also killed in the mishap.

Mr. Wardlaw had worked here off and on during the past several years. His most recent job here was foreman of the Fiske-Carter crew which painted the plant recently. He was popular among the people here and his death caused much comment and concern among those who knew him. Mr. Wardlaw was employed at Rock Hill, S. C. when he was killed.

Folk Festival Is Featured In Life

Life magazine in its October 20 issue devoted a section to the Mountain Folk Festival held in Asheville each summer but failed to mention or show any pictures of the champion Ecusta square dance team which walked off with first honors this past summer.

Pictures of well-known folks like Fiddlin' Bill Henson and ballad singer Susan Reed are shown. There is also an action picture of the Soco Gap dance team which reached the finals but was defeated by Ecusta.

which he started his collection, and over the years building around this beginning has provided him with many hours of enjoyment, and it is apparent that the years have not slackened his interest in his hobby, but rather, sharpened it.

"The thoughtless are rarely wordless".-Howard W. Newton

"Common sense is the knack of seeing things as they are, and doing things as they ought to be done."-C. E. Stowe

Office Bits

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rived here from England for a visit with Jean and Tommy. Jean and Tommy are also mighty proud to have that new Mercury convertible job which Tommy has been driving lately.

We extend our condolences to Hugh Bradburn whose vacation was saddened by the death of his brother's wife. Hugh's brother is athletic director at Gardner-Webb college and Hugh attended the funeral there.

Harry Byers and Earl York spent their vacations at home, although Earl confesses that he took that station wagon of his for a trial run to Georgia.

Ilse and Paul Plaut took off for Florida but stayed only a week as storm warnings made them long for the protection of those mountains in North Carolina. Ilse, did Paul bring back any pictures of the damage done by the hurricanes? Earl Bryan spent a week on his farm getting in his tobacco. He says, "Next year I'm going to take a real vacation." We are also glad to hear, Earl, that your wife is recovering from the effects of her fall.

Gus Tucker spent a week moving his family to their newly purchased home on the Greenville highway. Folks tell me that it is a good corn country out that way, but for the life of me, I can't figure how corn can grow on the sides of such steep hills.

Mr. Graham, Wendell Jeffries, and Ola Gooch report pleasant vacations.

Spud and Lib Carpenter have joined the ranks of the married couples working here. We are pleased to have Lib join our family and we also welcome Dot Poole, who is supplying Mr. Field with secretarial assistance. We are also glad to see Frank Peschl, Jr., working with Mr. Field.

Mr. Huskamp tried out his new Chrysler when he drove to New York recently to see his daughter, Annette, and family. He intends to make another quick trip to New York in the near future to give his daughter, Virginia, in marriage to Mr. McCourt of Rockville Center.

The Office A bowling team has been bragging lately about its prowess

Visit From Brother And Mother Thrills Mrs. Jean Whitmire

The mother and brother of Mrs. Jean Whitmire of the Main Office, a native of England, and the wife of Tommy Whitmire of Brevard, visited her during the month of October. Jean, as well as her folks, received a thrill from the visit. Grace Hunter of Edinburgh, Scotland, a friend of Jean's brother, also made the Atlantic journey on the liner Queen Elizabeth.

The brother, Peter Waugh, is a staff photographer on "Illustrated" an English magazine similar to "Life" or "Look". During the war he was a captain in General Montgomery's Eighth Army, serving in the African Theatre and later in Italy. Jean's mother expressed her good fortune in being able to see her friends and relatives in America who were able to send her items like nylons which are so scarce in England.

While visiting here, Mr. Waugh and Mrs. Baimbridge toured the plant,

ess over the B team. Let them beware, the B team has acquired new stars in the persons of Mr. Grant and Bob Bolt and they are seeking blood. They bowl again Dec. 17th., so be prepared to come out and witness three hotly contested games.

Football is now monopolized by the conversations in the office. Friday everyone is enthusiastic about their pet team or teams. There are usually a lot of sad faces on Monday morning when the Monday Morning Quarterback convenes at lunchtime.

It was good to see Leonard Bauer back after his long illness even though he only stayed for one day and then took off to New York for further convalescence before taking over his new duties.

We have just learned that Mr. Harris' wife is in the hospital, but is improving. We certainly wish for a speedy recovery, Mr. Harris.

We have been getting good reports on two of our old Office employees, Bollin Millner keeps regularly appearing on the Dean's list at Duke and expects to graduate in the spring. Fred Jordan has been reporting good grades at the University of Tennessee.