

A busy year for Ecustans



In a few more days, we'll be replacing those 1947 calendars with brand new 1948 ones . . . and with that simple move, we will be moving forward into a new year. As fast as 1947 has whipped by, it's hard to realize just how much has happened here at Ecusta, but let's glance at some of the highlights:

Growth and expansion were the key words as our company moved forward in one of its greatest years. The new inspection building was completed. . . . work on the boiler room addition and turbine room moved along rapidly the insurance program was broadened so that additional life insurance could be had The Echo was published for the first time on our own paper and on and on we could go describing the many changes and improvements which took place.

HONORS FOR MANY

It was a year filled with honors for many Ecustans. Mr. Harry H. Straus was signally honored by N. C. State college with an honorary doctorate of engineering. Speaking of Mr. Straus, the year of 1947 will also be a year which will long be remembered by him and Mrs. Straus . . . they had an enjoyable and well-deserved vacation in France.

Raymond F. Bennett was elected president of the Pulp and Paper Superintendents Association, with Lee M. Bauer being selected chairman of the southeastern division of the same organization . . . Harvey Souther was elected president of the Five Year Club.

Then there was the square dance team, named champs of the big festival in Asheville And the graduates — 20 of them — were in the news.

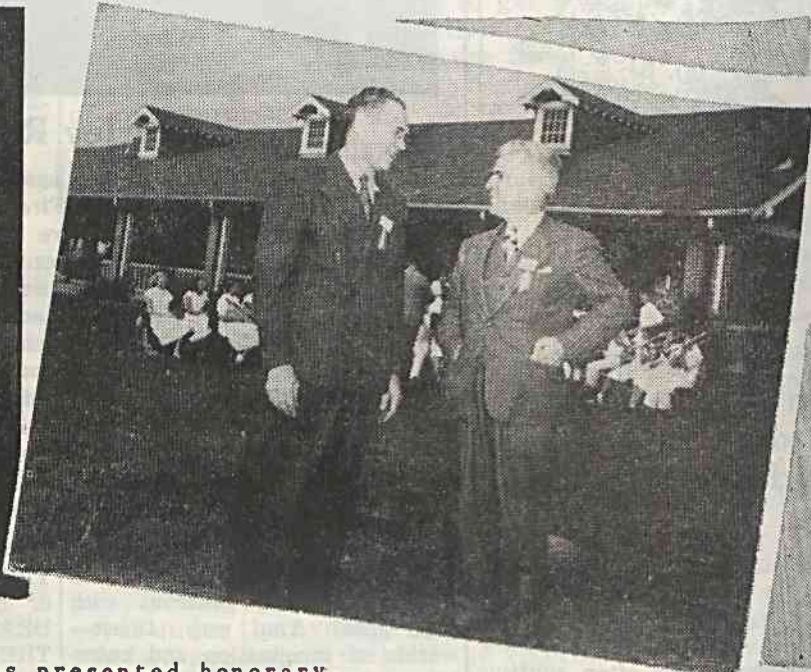
Marriages, children, and homes were in the limelight. The Echo recorded marriages by the dozens, old Dr. Stork was busy as the proverbial bee, and lasting joy was brought to many couples as they moved into their own homes.

FELLOWSHIP AND FOOD

One cannot look back on 1947 without remembering the many occasions which brought us together for fellowship and food the stupendous Fourth of July picnic, the departmental picnics, Thanksgiving dinner, and similar events. The Home on the Range column in The Echo is proof that Ecusta housewives are skilled cooks.

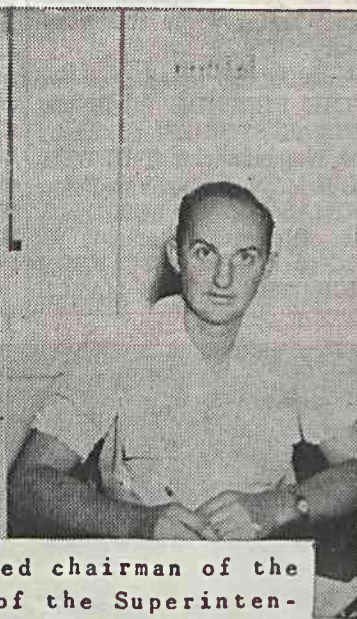
Visitors came by the dozens and went away probably somewhat dazed by the size and scope of our operations. From many states and foreign countries, they came, and the glowing compliments which they paid to our plant and its personnel should be

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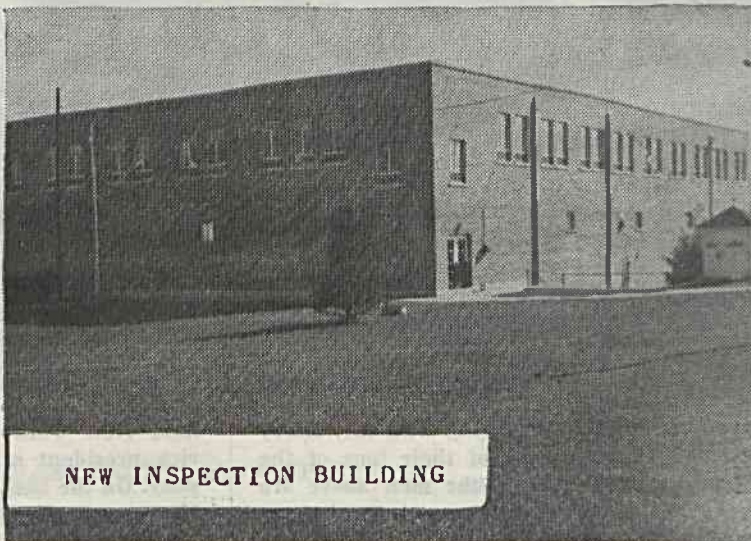


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Mr. Harry H. Straus was presented honorary degree by North Carolina State College, and other recognitions. Mr. Raymond F. Bennett was elected president of the Superintendent's Association of the Pulp and Paper industry.



Mr. Lee Bauer was elected chairman of the Southeastern Division of the Superintendent's Association. Harvey Souther was elected new president of Five Year Club. Right, Square Dance Team won honors at Annual Folk Festival in Asheville.



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