

INSPECTION NEWS

(By Kenneth McDaris)

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Matthews had open house during Christmas for the Control department. It was enjoyed very much by the large number of us who attended.

Although the season is about over the boys are still talking hunting. The tall tales are becoming taller! Ray Byrd, Joe King, and Ralph Mann became tired while waiting for their dogs to catch a rabbit and ran it down themselves. Ray found a rabbit and "charmed" it until someone came with a gun. Oscar Lothery, James Sheppard and Bill Dunn said they found one bunny wearing a bullet proof vest. Ten shots failed to bring it down. After the tenth shot it developed a kind of jet propulsion which is still unknown to our hunters.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Waldrop January 7, 1947 was a daughter, Jean Ann, weighing 7 lbs., 4 oz.

Claude Glazener spent his

five days off moving into his new home. He says his back squeaks like a rusty hinge every time he moves. Moving is no fun!

Inspection is glad to have four new men: Robert Chappell, James Henson, Preston McCrary and Robert Quinn.

Among our recent visitors were Mr. Seth Williamson from Liggett and Myers and his uncle, Mr. John Gunter. Mr. Williamson said he had been making Chesterfields from Ecusta paper for the past eight years. He was very impressed with our methods of inspection and testing. He now knows why our paper has always been satisfactory.

Mrs. R. E. Matthews is in Mission hospital in Asheville recovering from an emergency operation. Mrs. David Surrette is recovering from an appendectomy at the Transylvania hospital. David's baby has also been very ill. Mrs. Earl Hall has returned from Duke hospital where she has been under treatment. Jeanette Teague, small

daughter of Millard Teague, had her tonsils removed January 17 and is recovering nicely. We are glad to have Clarence Glover back to work. He had an appendectomy several weeks ago.

Miss Dorothy Allison and Mr. Hubert Batson were married December 21. They spent their honeymoon in Florida and are at home in Brevard. They have our best wishes!

Wedding bells will soon ring for Ruby Golden and Melvin McCormick. More news on that later.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Buckner have returned from Miami, Florida where they spent five days.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom McCormick visited relatives in Covington Va. while on vacation.

Edith Stiles spent her vacation in Athens, Ga.

Holland Corn is tired of the cold weather and says he is going to Florida on his vacation. Others taking vacations this month are: Ivan Galloway, James Brock, and David Surrette.

MACHINE ROOM NEWS

(By John Goolsby)

Let me say this to begin with—here before us is a brand new year, one of those 366-day jobs. What plans have we made to handle it? Throw it away, as we would an old memo pad and replace it with a new one? Why not this—resolve to make ourselves, our company, our country the best in the world! And have more love and faith in our fellowman. Surely this is the fulfillment of the Golden Rule, "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you." Sounds o. k., doesn't it?

Wait, here is something else I am thinking. Before the ravish of war hit Europe, there used to be a beautiful custom there on New Years. If friends or neighbors had any quarrels or misunderstandings during the year, they would visit each other and drink toasts and say nice things about each other, and really

mean it! At the end of the day all was forgiven and forgotten. What a swell way to begin a new year—with friendship and love from all fellowmen.

Heck, I got to get along with the Machine Room news.

Cecil Albertson says the best way to kill time is to work it to death. He always tells me the world is full of willing people, half of them willing to work and the other half willing to let you.

Well, boys, this is the low-down on Slim Williams. You remember when he killed hogs? Well, he did it at night so that none of us would know there was fresh meat around, but somehow Nathan McMinn got some sausage and spare ribs, unknown to Slim. Well, Slim found out and the next morning he was at Nathan's house trying to get back that fresh pork. Slim said he was just looking out for Nathan's welfare. Nathan admits he got the meat

but says it won't hurt him—that his biggest worry is getting hold of some.

Our sympathy to Charles Peavy in the recent death of his father.

What about this good basketball team of ours, fellows? If you go once and see those boys in action, you will follow them all season. They really play a good brand of ball packed with thrills and action all the way—and remember this is our team, ECUSTA.

Since the Machine Room column last appeared, we have added several new men. To them we extend an ever ready welcome and to each and every one of you, it takes you and the rest of us to keep production rolling.

I would like to end this by saying that we all resolve that we do not go through 1948 thinking that nothing needs reforming but other people's habits.