## MACHINE BOOKLET



By Margaret Smith, Sara Loftis and Eula Landreth

As the Christmas season draws near we find many in this department making plans for out of town shopping trips and a few are lucky enough to have vacations. Guy Mull said he could hardly wait until Christmas day so he could play with Andy's toys.

A miscellaneous shower was given for Thelma Snyder and Jack Wilson at the home of her mother at Etowah. Thelma and Jack plan to be married sometime this month.

Phil Riddle spent his week's vacation at home digging a basement. Penny Tinsley visited relatives in Hendersonville. Others having vacations are Mabel Wolfe, and Laura Pharr.

John Souther visited this department while on leave from the armed forces. He has been stationed in Greece for some time. His sister, Louise Houk, is forelady in Machine booklet and John also worked with us before reenlisting in the Air Corps.

Ruby Oliver's husband, Boyd, left for the Navy on December 2. Ruby is staying with her mother at Cherryfield.

At Christmas time everyone hopes that their past may be forgotten but their present remembered.

In closing we wish all a Happy Holiday Season!



Shown above is a donkey made by Lillian King (Champagne) and her daughter. They began work on the donkey when they heard a request on the radio for hand-made presents for distribution among patients in Veterans' hospitals.

## ACROSS THE TRACKS By Hilda Hunnicutt

As the happiest and most cheerful season of all, Christmas, is approaching, everyone is quite busy wondering what to get who for Christmas. A great deal of credit should be given to Martha Sellers and Dorothy Burns — they had



enough foresight to get their shopping done three weeks before Christmas.

At this time we would like to welcome Jim Rickards, our new Research Chemist, into our midst. Jim is originally from Canton but was last working up in New Jersey. He has moved his family including his parakeets to Brevard. He and his wife attended the last Bingo party and Jim was glad to report that his wife was lucky enough to win an ash tray.

During our last snowfall, Martha Sellers and John Goldberger, our camera fiends, snapped some beautiful colored pictures of winter scenery. No matter how cold the weather, they are always ready and able to take pictures.

Mary Jane McCall took a week's vacation during Thanksgiving week. She spent several days in South Carolina. Why South Carolina appeals to her so much is quite a mystery.

Eugene Eggert furiously tried to finish his house during his week's vacation. He didn't say he worked too hard—just that the vacation wasn't long enough. (Are they ever?)

J. O. Davidson was on a week's vacation, but I have been unable to find out whether or not it was exciting.

Charles Glazener is really coming up in the world. He has acquired a new rating in the Navy, that of Lt. Commander. Congratulations, Charlie!

Our department was well represented in the presentation of Handel's "The Messiah" which was presented last Sunday in Brevard. Gus Grose was one of the tenors and Charles Jolliff played the organ. From all indications, it was quite successful.

Lois Heath will welcome any and all suggestions as to what she can give her "One and Only" for Christmas. She's terribly frustrated about the whole situation.

Everyone please include Mary Jane McCall and Betty Brown in his letter to Santa. All they want are two tall, handsome men with blue Cadillacs. Such a sensible and reasonable request!

Last of all, during this Christmas season, let's remember that God is the giver of all gifts. He gives us rain and sunshine, friends and loved ones, and all the things that are really most dear to us. Here's hoping for a wonderful Christmas and New Year to all of you.