

OFFICE BITS

By Alex Duris



Have you escaped the flu? Lucky you, if you have! Rare is the person who has escaped unscratched so far.

Lyon Mathew enjoyed a January vacation in Miami, Florida. He sent a photo of the Indian River basin, just

to make us envious. Glad that you had a nice time, Lyon.

We at the office were quite shocked to learn of the auto accident in which Peter Muffat, Leonard Bauer, Dave and Frank Marder, and Philip Brownell were involved. As painful as some of the injuries were, we are mighty happy that there were no fatalities!!!

Harry Byers enjoyed a vacation, part of it in January and the other half in February. Hope you had a pleasant time, Harry.

Ray Cooke, having finished his duties with Uncle Sam, is now back at Ecusta and will be working with Art Loeb. We are glad to have you back with us, Ray!

We learn that Willie May Mehaffey has decided to brush up on her housekeeping and cooking. Willie May, just let us know when you bake a strawberry short cake—we will all come over and help you enjoy it.

I'm sneaking a little commercial into the column this time. Commercial or not, have you tried gift wrapping with the sheets of cellophane which are available in the canteen? Wrap your gifts in the customary wrappings, and then dress your packages up with sheets of cellophane as outer wrappers. The cellophane brings out the beauty of your wrappings and gives them a rich, velvety appearance. Too, the cellophane helps to keep the packages looking fresh.

With an almost total lack of snow so far this year, we are almost certain to have seven inches of snow Easter Sunday. Keep this in mind gals, when you shop around for those sheer, flimsey, airweight ensembles.

Soon there will be a rash of Spring vacations coming up. Already hear talk of the azalea gardens in Charleston, and orange blossom time in Florida. If you have never enjoyed the scent of the orange blossom in bloom, nor heard the sweet notes of a mockingbird in the light of a full moon, you owe it to yourself to visit Florida at orange blossom time. It is the nearest thing to paradise that you will ever enjoy! (Editors note: We thought this Reporter was a member of the Hendersonville Chamber of Commerce.)

We're a reading people. There were published last year 231,000,000 paper-bound books, both originals and reprints.



Rabbits—sixteen of 'em, to be exact—were bagged the day this quintet of hunters took to the fields in Madison County. On top of that, they went out the next day and came back with sixteen more. Left to right are: Holland Corn (Inspection Department), Charles Bradburn, Hugh Bradburn, Jr., David Corn and Hugh Bradburn, Sr. (Personnel Dept.)

FINISHING

By Jimmy Surles



This year 1953, has become an era of changes in many ways. More Flying Saucers have been spotted in our skies; huge Atomic Cannons have become a reality; the Hydrogen bomb has been exploded in recent tests; an

Atomic Submarine is under construction; the Korean conflict continues and an American General of the Army becomes President of our Nation. Yes, a great deal of changes have come to pass, and as we witness these great changes of mode and time, we can but wonder what changes lay ahead in the near future. But amidst this turmoil of change and progress, we are still able to turn to a humorous side in our lives that we might for a few minutes retard the strain of living in a world of war and fear of the Atomic Era. The Echo is a source for the employees of Ecusta, where they can, as I, read the wit and humor in the many departments of the plant. In the Finishing we have been content to read the items published each month by the other departments, and yet with a department as large as ours there should be quite a bit of humor here for the readers, so if you readers will bear with me, we'll see what goes on around us. First let me remind you I do not pretend to be a reporter at all, just that I'd like to read about the Finishing Department along with