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ANNOUNCEMENT

The new Glenn mill is nearing completion. The knitting machines have been moved from mill one and mill two to the new plant on Phillips Street. As soon as construction workers and materials can be made available, plans will begin to materialize on the interior of the Seamless plant.

The company has in mind certain changes that will improve the flow of goods through the mill and save on "back tracking." At the same time, when changes are made, Melrose wants always to advance with the industry and make changes that are for better working conditions and production of hosiery.

The time has arrived when our people can be assured that the best engineering planning and improvements will be made for loopers, sewers and inspectors possible, in keeping, of course, with sound business management. The company is not prepared at this time to set out details, but as the carpenters, painters, light and ventilation engineers go ahead with their work, it is confidently expected that everyone will watch with interest the development of plans. The employees in the "old plant" will be as delighted as the employees in the new plants with the total effect when improvements are completed.

THE REAL CHRISTMAS SPIRIT

December 30, 1947

This warm glow of happiness that we all no doubt feel these days is due to the good things we did Christmas.

The people of Melrose are due a great deal of credit for their participation in and the success of the Streptomycin fund drive. We, everyone, took a part in the drive, and I am sure that everyone takes pride in the accomplishment. We have made it possible for someone to be cured of the dread disease of T. B. We have started a move for humanity that will, I am sure, surprise all of us in its far-reaching scope for good.

We can also take pride in the success of the Santa Claus feature of our Christmas program. We brought cheer to the patients of the Sanatorium with our carols and gifts. We have given our time, and money to bring cheer and health to others, and by so doing we have brought happiness to ourselves.

Leigh Harper, Chairman

EDITORIAL

1948

Comes another year!

It is a most important year in the history of America and the history of the world.

1948 is election year.

The time has long passed when anyone should hint or attempt to tell others how to vote, but it is always a matter of good citizenship to urge people to be prepared to vote.

We owe it to ourselves and to our country to protect and maintain the sacred right of franchise. There are millions of people in countries less free than the United States who are denied the right of free elections. We should register and vote, not only to express our opinion, but to practise our rights under a democracy.

North Carolina law requires one year of residence in the state, requires that a person be twenty-one years of age and requires that a person live in the county or precinct four months. If a person has been in the county four months, but has changed precincts within that county, then the citizen registers in the original precinct.

Polling books are open at the polling place five weeks prior to the Primary, four weeks of which time is for registering with precinct chairman and one week for possible challenge. The Primary takes place some time in May.

Among your New Year resolutions, why not make way for a determination to check on your registration and make certain that you are entitled, under the law, to cast a ballot in 1948.

BITS OF INTEREST TO THE LADIES

The Art of Cooking Candy

Americans spend something over seven dollars per capita each year for candies and confections, and the candy shops increase and flourish. The skilled candy maker consequently has a real asset at her command, whether she uses it commercially or merely to give pleasure to her family and friends.

A thermometer is essential if you go in for candymaking on any scale, because cooking to just the right temperature is the first principle of success.

Home-made confections always make a much-appreciated gift. There are a number of varieties such as caramels, nut brittles and even fudge which can be made in advance of the last of the Christmas rush.

Chocolate Fudge

- 2 cups sugar
- 2-3 cup milk
- 2 tablespoons corn syrup
- 3 squares unsweetened chocolate
- 2 tablespoons crisco
- 1 teaspoon vanilla

Put sugar, milk, syrup and chocolate, cut in small pieces, into a saucepan and stir until sugar is dissolved. Cook slowly until the temperature is 236 degrees F., or until mixture forms a soft ball when tested in cold water. Remove from fire and add crisco. When lukewarm, add vanilla and heat until thick. Pour into greased shallow pan. When cold cut into squares.

—Heritage Craftsman

BETTER BREAKFASTS

An excellent way to improve your diet is to eat a better breakfast. Good foods are oranges, eggs, and rolled oats—these go a long way toward making a good breakfast combination. Add milk with the cereal, enriched or whole-wheat toast or rolls with butter or fortified margarine, and a beverage. There's a breakfast that will carry you through without fatigue till lunchtime. But remember to take a liberal portion of citrus fruit for vitamin C—4 ounces or more of orange or grapefruit juice, or a whole orange, or a half grapefruit.

BASKETBALL

The "Y" is starting a League. Are there enough men players interested to represent Melrose?

HOW WOULD YOU FEEL LOSING \$1,454.70? THIS IS A STORY ABOUT A MAN WHO DID

If He Had Known Social Security Procedures It Would Not Have Happened

How unhappy would you be if you learned one day that you had lost \$1,454.70?

Nobody stole the money from you and you didn't lose it in a bad investment. The \$1,454.70 was there waiting for you, and the only reason you lost it is because you didn't go ask for it.

Social Security Board records show that a man living in North Carolina—he wasn't an employee of our companies—recently had this sad experience.

For nearly five and a half years after he reached the age of 65, this man had not bothered to go to his nearest Social Security office and apply for the benefits coming to him. That \$1,454.70 was lost forever. Almost every day, the Social Security offices are uncovering instances where men and women have passed up benefits they've earned, and for this reason, The Echo is cooperating with the Social Security Board in Asheville in bringing this article to you.

Every employee of our companies—and the members of the family of employees—should paste these three important points in their memories for future reference:

THREE POINTS TO REMEMBER

(1) The minute he becomes 65 every employee should go to the nearest Social Security field office and discuss his rights to benefits. He should do this even though he expects to go on working, no matter where.

(2) The minute the employee's wife or widow becomes 65, she should go to the nearest field office and establish her rights.

(3) If the employee dies (no matter what his age), his widow should go to the nearest office and ask whether she can collect benefits for herself and her children, if any.

—The Echo

Interesting Try

Then there was the drunk who saw a sign and said: "It can't be done." The sign read: "Drink Canada Dry."

THINK IT OVER

The other fellow's economic grass may look greener to us because it's farther away and deliberately clouded in mystery.

But before we fall in love with any foreign "isms," let's remember that, in spite of temporary troubles, we have the sweetest set-up on earth right here, according to all facts and figures.

Right now we have nearly 57 million people employed. Normally, with only 7 per cent of the world's population, we have 80 per cent of the automobiles, 50 per cent of all telephones, 60 per cent of all life insurance policies. Before the war we used 75 per cent of the world's silk. We had one radio for every three people, against one for every 90 in Russia.

And we still have more freedom and less harness on us than any other people on earth.

—Don Herold.

APOLOGY

I am sorry. I assume full responsibility for what seemed to me—the very terrible outcome at the party.

I was assured that the P. A. system would be set up and tested at 4:30. Depending upon that assurance I went to the meeting at the Sanatorium. Two hours later I returned to find no equipment in the building.

I am convinced that with proper use of music, and positive announcements that can be heard, any crowd can be guided through a happy, successful evening without any untoward event of any kind, and that any program can be organized and handled with dispatch.

I promise now that if I have anything to do with any future program the P. A. system will be adequate (with roving microphone that can be taken to selected persons in audience, to platform, tree, etc.) and will be tested in ample time (even the day before, if necessary,) to guarantee successful handling of every detail.

Joe Boyd

SOMEONE ONCE SAID

The man who allows his life to justify itself, and lets his work speak, and who when reviled reviles not again, must be a very great lofty soul.—Elbert Hubbard.

I WONDER

I wonder if we knew this year Would be our last on earth, Would we try to fill it with love and cheer

That came with Jesus' birth? Would that hasty word be spoken That makes the teardrops start?

Would that fellowship be broken If we knew that we should part? Would we likely give that cold hand clasp

If we knew it were the last; Or would we that hand warmly grasp

And desire to hold it fast? Would we the gentle warning heed When the Spirit says, "Don't say it,"

Or would we that other heart cause to bleed

Because we would not obey it? But since we do not know the time

That we from earth shall part, Would it not be well for us to face

Each day with Christ in our heart?

As grace sufficient for each day He surely will provide,

Why should we go so far astray Since He will thus abide.

—The Wesleyan Methodist

Cop (to guy in gutter): "Drunk?"

Guy in Gutter: "Certainly not. I'm just holding this parking place for a friend!"