



Here is a Mill Whistle baby. He is the three-months-old son of former Sgt. LeRoy Sweeney, who is our new reporter in the Central Warehouse packing department. Mother is the former Miss Louise Woodlief and was formerly employed in the Woolen Mill office. You're a fine youngster, **LeRoy Edward Sweeney, Jr.**

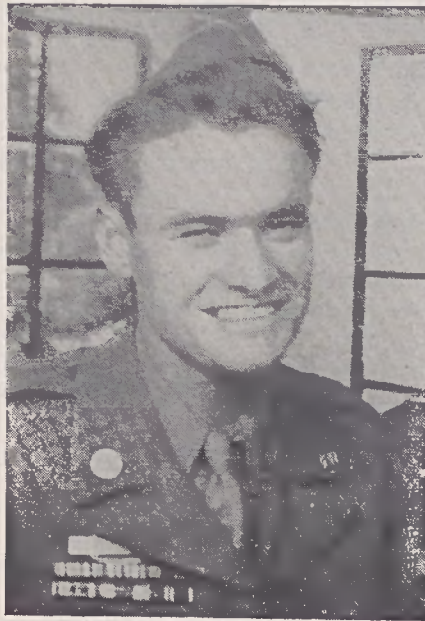
**Finishing Mill**

**By Beulah McBride and Avis Jamerson**

It has been some time since we made the 'Whistle,' in the meantime we have enjoyed a slick Christmas (we don't mean slick, like a slick chick, but slick like glass) and then along came New Year's with a quiet celebration (we guess it was quiet, at least, for not even Fred Morrison and Claude Kallam seemed "slung low")...it has been great fun, even making those noble resolutions yep, it was fun, we even kept one resolution four days. (Will anyone admit to breaking this record?) We are about in the mood for the narcissi 'n' such to start blooming, how about you?

We thought Howard Sheffield was a darn good fellow until he secretarynaped our Lil' Frances Redmon. Gosh, we get panicky; we don't know what the deuce we'll find to write about now. We could always find Frances with a marine, sailor or soldier or find her dreaming of one and what we didn't find we sorta-er-uh-you-know arranged ourselves and you don't find girls like that every year. She really took a beating from us, but we all loved her. We miss you, Frankie.

Douglas W. Nance has recently been discharged from the Marine Corps after serving two years overseas. He was joined here by his wife, the former Kitty Arline Merigoni of New Orleans, La., and they spent several weeks with his



**William D. Pruitt**, whose citation appears below:

HEADQUARTERS  
10th MOUNTAIN DIVISION  
APO 345, U. S. ARMY

July 14 1945

CITATION

**WILLIAM D. PRUITT**, 34854887, Private First Class, Infantry, 87th Mountain Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 15 April 1945, near Tole, Italy. While advancing as a scout for a unit of mountain infantrymen, Private First Class Pruitt came upon two enemy bunkers. With utter disregard for his own safety, he charged the bunkers and with well aimed fire flushed the enemy, killing two and capturing four others. His quick thinking, superior marksmanship, and heroism prevented almost certain casualties to his company as it advanced. His brilliant performance of duty at great risk to his own life upholds the highest traditions of the United States Army. Entered the military service from Leaksville, North Carolina.

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C. J. KNAPP  
CWO USA  
Asst. Adj. Gen.

parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nance. The young couple will make their home in New Orleans, La.

Maude Preddy is all smiles since the call from her husband, Pfc. Roosevelt Preddy, who just landed in Oceanside, Calif.

Sgt. Doris Jefferson of Bolling Field, Washington, D. C., has been transferred to New Orleans, La.

Pfc. Andrew Hopkins, stationed in Germany, is spending a 90-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Hopkins.



**Wanda Lue Carol Church**, the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Major M. Church of River Drive, Spray, was one year old January 2. Her Dad works at the Woolen Mill.

**SEASON FOR SNIFFLES**

This is the season for colds, influenza, grippe and all allied diseases. Unfortunately, much remains to be learned about the cause and treatment of these diseases and even the common cold has baffled scientists for years. Several important things are known, however: (1) One infection comes from another; (2) Those who do not come in contact with others who are sneezing or coughing seldom contract diseases of this type. Words of warning about the dangers of colds often go unheeded but the trite adage, "It's better to be safe than sorry," is particularly appropriate at this time of year.

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