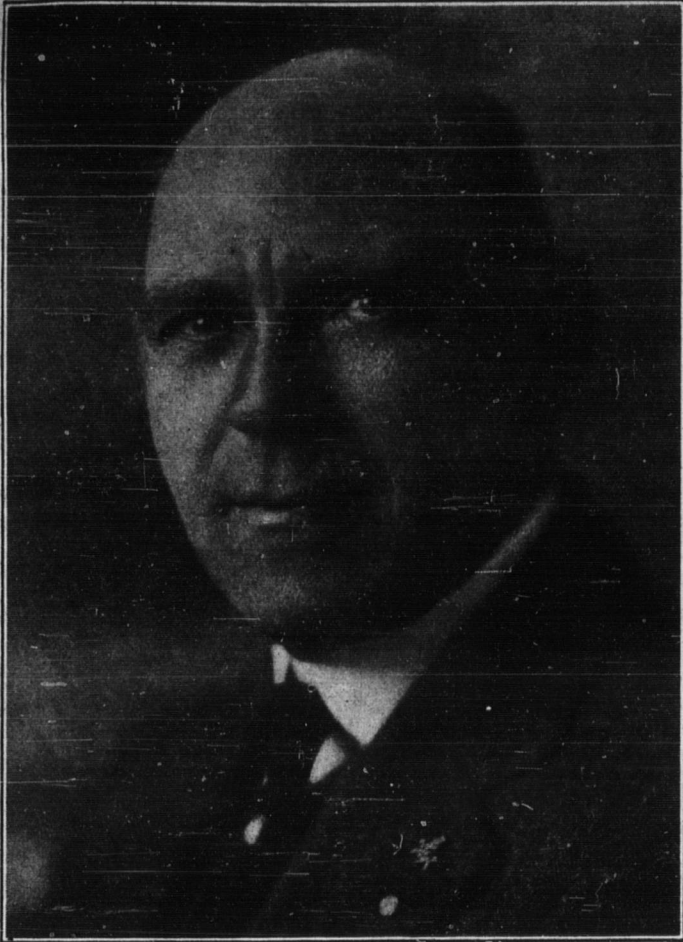


Mill Official for Many Years



The late John Roth, above, was head of the finishing and shipping departments of the old mill in Elkin for many years. He was a brother of Capt. G. T. Roth, who served for years as general superintendent of the Company.

into a work train. Capt. Crews hired 75 men and bought shovels and crow bars all he could find in Elkin to work with. They have fixed up the track so far down to Mr. Park's bottom. They think by the last of the week they will get down about Burch's Ferry. There is another force working out from Donaha of 150 men, but in many places they must make entirely new road bed, where the heaviest is between Shoals and Rockford. We will not have a train to Elkin within three weeks if we do then. Wilkesboro will be about two months before they get there. The Directors of the Chatham Mfg. Co. came up today and looked over the situation. They say, never stay down in this hole but build on higher ground and I think they will build back of Alex's. They would prefer taking it to Winston if they could but I don't think they can. Though I couldn't say what.

"They"

A bunch from the plant were over at Gus Stone's place Sunday. It was the last warm day of the year, so we were all out in the back yard enjoying the sunshine and listening to Gus's new portable radio. It can be carried all over the place, and doesn't have to be hooked up to anything in order to be used. Gus puts it on the seat beside him when he drives to work in the morning and listens to the early morning news and music.

We sat around for awhile, admiring the tone and all, and finally somebody said, "What will they do next?"

Nobody answered for a minute, and then some other guy asked: "What do you mean—'they'?"

Then we set to work trying to figure that one out. Thinking it over, we realized that all of us were accustomed to referring in that way to many of the new products coming from industry. But we'd never stopped before and tried to analyze exactly what we meant by "they."

Finally Gus Stone spoke up.

"I've got it figured out," he said. "'They' means everyone concerned in turning out that radio. First of all there's the inventor—the guy with the idea. Then there are the men who put up the money to back the enterprise, and build the plant, and provide the jobs and payrolls. They're the stockholders. Then there are the guys like us, the workers, and foremen, and managers—the ones who contribute

The Chatham Manufacturing Company's Second Plant



The Chatham Manufacturing Company began as a small industry in an humble frame building which was located where the old Shoe Factory now stands, but at the time the picture above was taken it was beginning to grow, as the brick building pictured above will show. This building was located where the Old Mill now stands, and was constructed about 16 years after the company first started. Shown in the photograph are practically all the employees of the mill at that time.

Old Letters Tell of Toll Taken by River

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are waiting for material and as there are no trains they can't do anything. So it is up to our Commissioners of the two counties. The wreckage is being cleared away pretty well. Today we worked over 100 men at the mill, we got about three-fourths of the mud out of the mill. I think by Saturday we will have things cleaned up in the mill pretty well, but the outside will be in a mess, as we are dumping all the mud through the doors and windows. Hugh says just get it out. He is right in the midst of it all

from morning till night and I hope he will continue to stay until Gill comes.

If he can get here, it will take the best of two months to get started again the whole mill. We may get the Washing Mills and Dryers started in the next ten days providing we can get belts. Hugh sent a wire message from Mt. Airy to Baltimore to express some belts to Mt. Airy and Mr. Pace in Mt. Airy is to watch for it and send it right over in a car. Mr. Atkinson sent his car yesterday after ice and sold it at 2 1/2c per pound. I didn't buy any and had a wagon to bring sugar and selling it wholesale 10c per lb. So I have cut out my breakfast post toasties. I am living cheap.

They have turned the Shoo Fly

the skill that makes us open our mouths and say, 'What will they do next?'

"Guess you're right, Gus," somebody said, after a moment's silence. "And by the way—what do you suppose they will do next?"

"Don't know," Gus answered, turning the music on the radio up a little louder. "But whatever it is, I've got an idea it will surprise us again!"

Smokeless Powder

Rufus—Every time they fire one of those big guns on the Western front \$900 goes up in smoke.

Goofus—Why don't they use smokeless powder?

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Winter Annoyances

Our own favorite annoyance in winter is cold weather itself, but all of us don't agree on that subject, and anyway there isn't much that can be done about it. There are other disturbing things that happen in winter, however, about which something can be done, and Dr. Victor G. Heiser, Medical Consultant to the Committee on Healthful Working Conditions of the National Association of Manufacturers, has the following advice to offer concerning a few of them:

Chapped lips and chapped hands are frequent occurrences and, in spite of the fact that they are definitely minor in nature they can be annoying. Hands are much less likely to chap if they

are properly dried before being exposed to the cold. In addition proper hand lotions or creams will help in this line—it doesn't make you "tough" not to use these, it just makes you foolish.

Lips likewise do not chap as readily if you keep them dry, and if you keep from moistening them continually with the tongue. Petroleum jellies, cold creams, and colorless pomades often help, too.

Those of us who depend on our own two feet to get places will find that heavy covering for the ankles and the feet—galoshes for slushy weather and both high shoes and galoshes for cold weather—is the best preventive for frostbite and the itching chilblains that can be so annoying.

On the other hand, those who

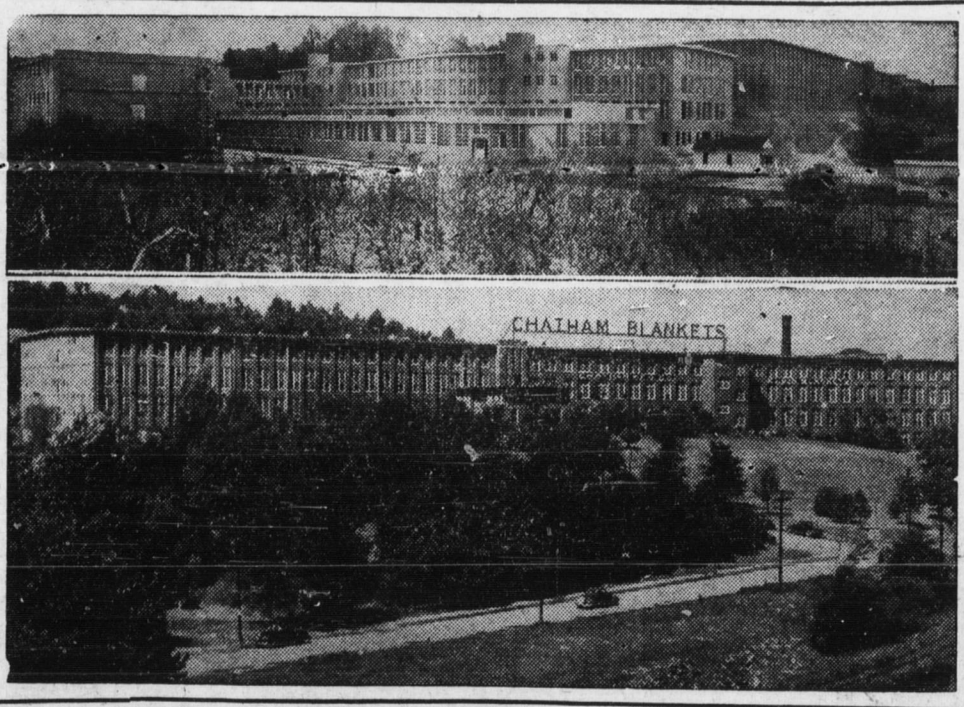
travel by car have different problems. If you find yourself getting headaches in wintertime, it may be because you are keeping the windows in your automobile too tightly closed.

After you get to work, the temperature of your place should determine the amount and character of your work clothing, but it is important not to change too radically from one extreme to the other.

Meanwhile, about all the lover of warm weather can really do is to keep his chin up and try not to think too often of South Sea islands!

Mrs. Peck—Henry, do you think we are prepared for war?

Henry (alarmed) — Why? Is your mother coming to visit us soon?



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