

NEWS IN BRIEF

CARDING

Pfc. Jack Sellers, son of J. D. Sellers, card tender, and Mrs. Sellers, and Miss Essie Lee Granger were married on Wednesday, August 6, in York, S. C.

Leon Dawkins, card fixer, and his family spent their vacation in Miami, Fla.

Pfc. Wilmer A. Martin, a former employee, spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Martin.

T. J. Neesmith, speeder tender, and his wife spent their vacation at Daytona Beach, Fla. and also visited friends in Georgia.

Mr. and Mrs. George Dill, Jr., and children from Virginia spent their vacation with his parents, George Dill, Sr., weaver, and Mrs. Dill, speeder tender.

Marcus Chandler, speeder tender, had as guests on his vacation, his brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Charley Chandler from Danville, Va.

Clemie Sexton, intermediate tender, and his family visited his mother, Mrs. Lucille Mulkey in Washington, D. C. on their vacation.

Miss Artie Lineberger, can hauler, visited her niece, Mrs. Conrad Wilson in Robstown, Texas, while on her vacation.

Claude Bolding, speeder tender, and Mrs. Bolding spent their vacation visiting in Danville, Va.

SPOOLING

Wayne Johnson, yarn boy, and Miss Sue Russell were married at York, S. C. on July 11.

Miss Bertha Dettmar, winder tender, recently spent her vacation at Folly Beach, S. C.

Mrs. Pansy Adams, winder tender, her husband, and daughter spent their vacation at Carolina Beach, N. C.

Mrs. Kate Moore, winder tender, had as week-end guests, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Morris, and children of Brevard, N. C.

Christopher Rice, son of Mrs. Ruth Rice, spooler tender, toured Florida for the past three weeks. He also spent some time with his aunt, Helen Raye of Jacksonville, Fla.

TWISTING

J. C. Crisp, twister tender, and his family spent the week end at China Grove, N. C., with his brother, J. Kelly Crisp, August 2-3.

Mrs. Mable Hanna, tie-in-hand, and her family had as week-end guest, her brother, Albert Bailey, Charleston, S. C.

A2/C Hobert Aldridge, Jr., son of H. T. Aldridge, overseer, and Mrs. Pearl Aldridge, inspector, is home on a ten-day furlough.

Pfc. Thomas J. Stowe, son of Mrs. Grace Stowe, yarn checker, who is in France, would like for his friends to write to him. His address is as follows:

Pfc. Thomas J. Stowe
R. A. 14391229
APO 122, c/o Post Master
306 Field Hospital
New York, New York

Mr. and Mrs. K. F. Walker, Jr., and children from Washington, D. C., arrived August 9 to spend a few days with Mrs. Walker's parents, Taft Hughes, fixer, and Mrs. Hughes, respooler.

Taft Hughes, fixer, and Mrs. Ruth Hughes, respooler, have a new grandson, born August 3 at Gaston Memorial Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Lee Boyer.

Pfc. Lester Dixon, son of Mrs. Ellen Dixon, respooler, has arrived in Alaska for a tour of duty.

WEAVING

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Myers of Maryville, Tenn. were week-end guests August 9 and 10, of Mrs. Rachel Dugan, tie-in-hand, and her family.

Roy Davis, clerk, and Mrs. Davis, tie-in-hand, attended the D. W. Blanton reunion in Shelby, N. C., Sunday, August 10.

Miss Faye Ward of Vale, N. C., is spending the week of August 10, with her sister, Mrs. Inez Rhyne, splicer.

Misses Patricia Sue and Peggy Jean Davis, daughters of Mrs. Lucille Davis, change hand, spent the past week, August 3 through August 9 in Chester, S. C. with their aunt, Mrs. R. W. Helms. Mrs. Helms is the former Olene Ferguson of this city and Winnsboro, S. C.

Mrs. Ruby Spencer, battery hand, is in Gaston Memorial Hospital for observation.

Tom Mathis, husband of Mrs. Audrey Mathis, smash hand, has pneumonia, but is showing much improvement.

Floyd Hager, weaver, and his family of Bessemer City, N. C. visited friends in Benhams, Va., the past week end.

Mrs. Velma Brooks, weaver, has been in Gaston Memorial Hospital, but is home now and feeling much better.

WINDING

Miss Nadine Peck, winder tender, honored Mrs. Faye Ross, winder tender, at a house warming party. Mrs. Ross moved into her new home on Linwood Road in Kings Mountain, N. C.

Mrs. Katherine Davis, winder tender, gave Mrs. Ralph Davis, of Linwood Road Extension, a house warming party Saturday, August 9. There were 12 couples in attendance.

Mrs. Kathleen Hovis, winder tender, has returned to her work after a few days of illness.

CLOTH ROOM

Mrs. Margie Waldrop, inspector, her husband, and daughter, spent their vacation in the Western part of North Carolina.

Mrs. Nell Robinson, cloth burler, had as guest Tuesday, August 5, Miss Peggy Boney from Kansas City, Mo. Miss Boney is a former resident of Gastonia.

Jack McArver and Mrs. Grace McArver, cloth burler, spent their vacation with friends and relatives in Delaware and Pennsylvania.

The Cloth Room welcomes Mrs. Eva Stockton back after several weeks of illness.

SHOP

T. H. Triplett, lathe operator and his family spent a week of his vacation visiting in Boone, N. C.

Troy Jones, tinner, vacationed in Boone, N. C. recently with his parents.

Horace Phillips, Weaving, Makes Study Of Minerals: Has Collected 1000 Samples

Rocks, plain or fancy, hold special significance for Horace Phillips of the Weaving Department. To him there're more than something to stumble over. You see, he's an amateur mineralogist. He has a sizeable collection of mineral and gem specimens at his home at 1105 West Third Avenue, which in case you're skeptical, is most convincing.

Mr. Phillips started his collecting little more than a year ago, but in that period he has gathered together an estimated 1000 stones, representing some 800 different types of commercially valuable minerals or gems. A big majority of these came from this section of North Carolina, an indication, perhaps, of the potential mineral wealth of Piedmont and Western North Carolina.

The most prominent stones in Hobbieist Phillips collection are quartz crystals of various kinds and sizes. Kingpin of the lot, however, is a small black specimen of Pitchblende, a leading source of uranium which in turn is used in producing atomic energy. A few other minerals or gems in the collection are: amethyst, geode, talc stone, petrified wood, garnet, gold, opal, manganese, vermiculite, and topaz.

Mr. Phillips plans to install a lapidary (stone cutting and polishing equipment) at his home in the future. With it he can change gems from "in the rough" to the finished and polished state as they are used in jewelry. Already he has a special ultra violet light which causes certain minerals to glow or fluoresce, producing a riot of color.

Softball Play-Offs Set For Firestone Ball Park

PLAY-OFFS in the Second Shift Industrial Softball League for men and the Gaston County Girls Softball League will be held in Firestone Park beginning August 18 and ending August 27. Teams competing in the play-offs are Firestone, Groves, Rex, Ragan, and Cramerton.

Second Shift Industrial play-off will be played on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Fridays at 9:30 a. m. and 10:30 a. m. The girls play-off will be played on the same days at 6:00 p. m. and 7:00 p. m.

Firestone won the Championship in the two leagues for the season and will be highly favored to win play-offs.

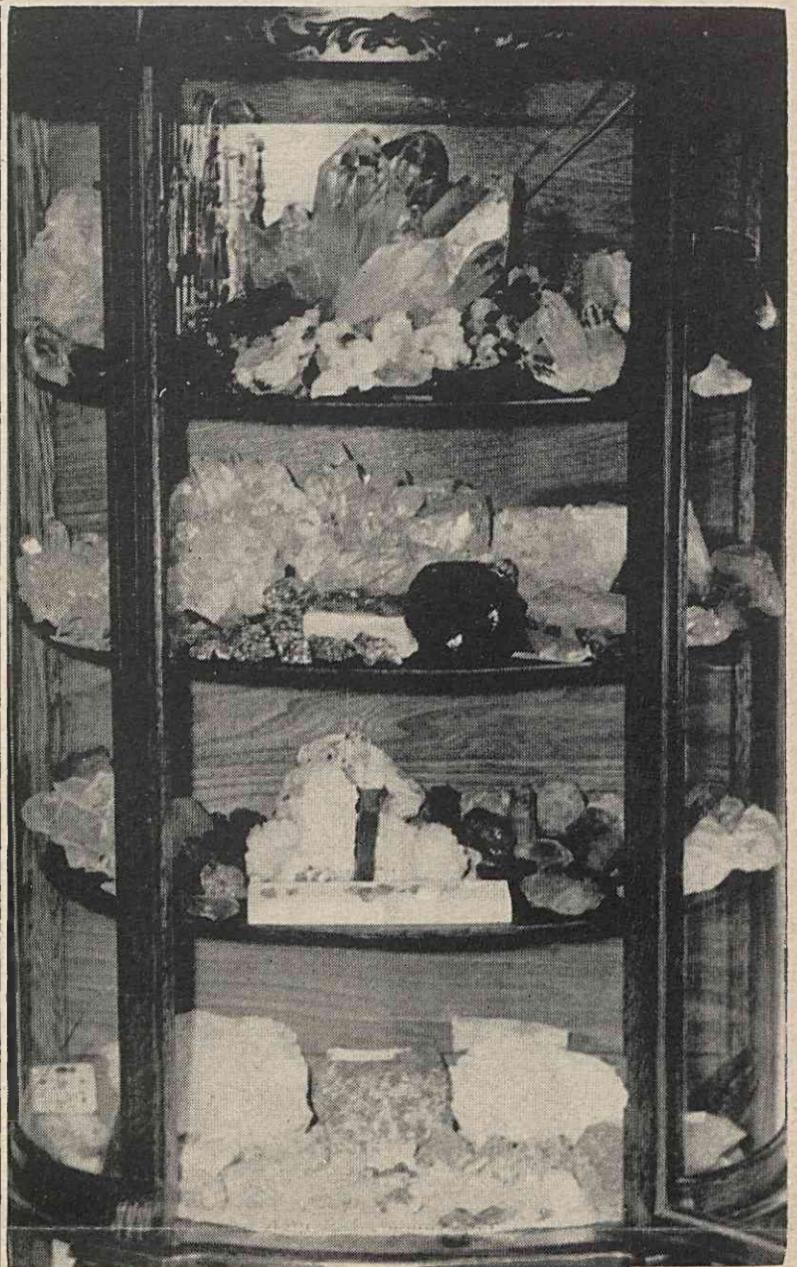
(NOTE: Firestone has won the league championship in First Shift Industrial League for men. Their play-off will be held later. Teams in the First Shift Industrial League are: Firestone, Groves, Cramerton, Smyre, Bernside, and Clover.)

PLAYGROUND TOTALS FOR SUMMER MONTHS

Activity	Participants
Games	1,638
Arts and Crafts	725
Wading	1,367
Swimming	4,410
Sports	1,397
Special Events	156
TOTAL	9,693

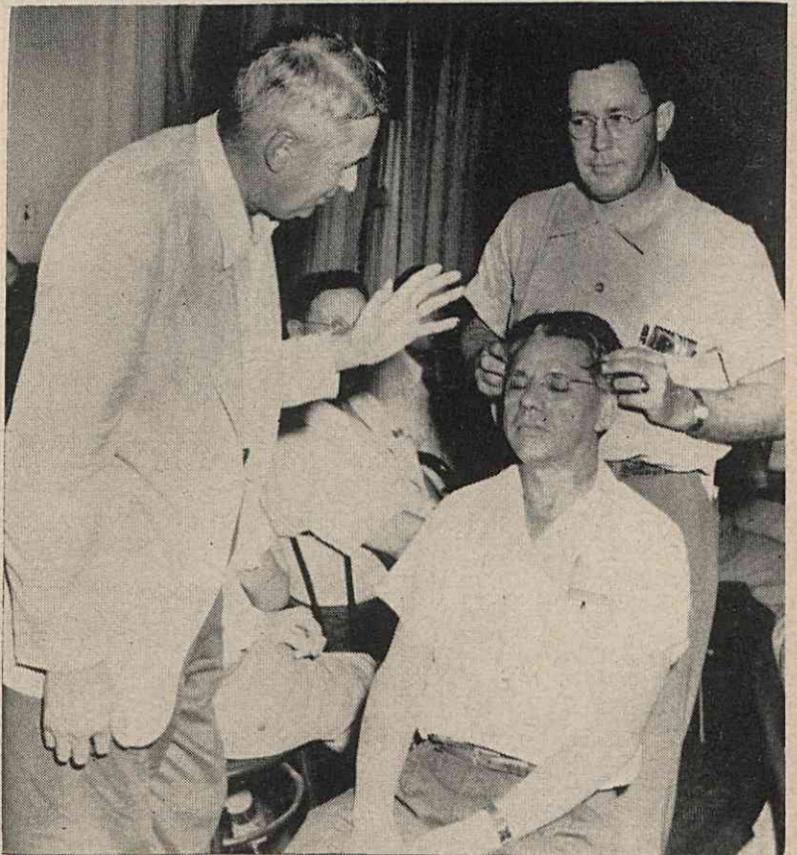
Clyde Foy, pipe fitter, with his family vacationed at Myrtle Beach, S. C.

Johnnie Mitchell, carpenter, spent his vacation in New York City, N. Y.



HORACE PHILLIPS, weaving department, is proud of his mineral collection, shown above carefully displayed in this handsome cabinet at his home, 1105 West Fourth Street.

MAGICIAN SELLS SAFETY



PLANT SUPERVISORS witnessed an unusual safety demonstration Thursday, August 7, at the Girls' Club, when Magician (and Public Relations Man) Clyde Powell displayed his bag of tricks including hypnotism. His talk entitled, "Don't Bet Your Life" was liberally sprinkled with magic appropriately tied in with safety rules and principles. In the picture above W. R. Turner, weaving second hand, is sleeping under the power of hypnotic suggestion. Mr. Powell, who serves the Lehigh Safety Shoe Company as Director of Public Relations, pointed out that the power of suggestion as normally applied can be of tremendous value in acquainting people with safe-work practices.