### T. C. U. CLUB **RAISES FUNDS**

#### Over 250 Employees of Plant and **Town People Attend Annual** Charity Bingo Party

Chatham employees have never turned down a call to make life happier for those who, through no fault of their own, are unable to acquire with their own re-sources a modest share of the good things of life. This was shown last week when the T. C. U. club gave their Charity Bingo Party in the basement of the new plant. Over 250 employees and town people attended and helped to make the event a great success.

Funds raised as the result of the party will be used by the boys in the club to furnish baskets of food to families in the community who for one reason or the other face the Christmas season without the proper necessities of life. Families are often overtaken by misfortune and their means wiped out. Other causes make for need among the poor families in the community. No one can say that they should not have some of the blessings of the joyous Yuletide season and the members of the T. C. U. club intend to see that as many as possible will benefit from their fund.

## Shed Light, Not Needles

With what delight every member of the family greets the Christmas tree when it is first set in late. In desperation his emin its place for the holiday season

Every year it seems to be more beautiful! We want it to shed its myriad colored lights through the window to the passersby. But within the first week, most Christmas trees are also shedding their needles all over the floor and Mother begins to long for the time to come to take it down and get the place cleaned up. And as a rule, after the gifts have been distributed the tree presents a sorry sight.

Yet the tree can be a thing of beauty during the entire holiday season, green and sparkling as the day it was cut.

How to do it: saw about two inches off the base of the tree and scrape it with a sharp knife. Place it in a water-tight container filled with moist earth or sand. Keep the soil around the tree damp at all times. Or if you pre-fer, set the base in a bowl of water into which three lumps of sugar have been dissolved. This also prevents the tree from shattering.

The Christmas tree then will be a joy throughout the holidays and never a nuisance. Try it!

# **Front Page Pictures**

The babies pictured on the front page of this issue are as follows:

Top, center: Nancy Elisabeth Neaves, May 29, 1940, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Neaves.

Left, reading down: W. R. Hartness, III, May 28, 1940, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Hartness, Jr.; William Eugene Brannon, August 13, 1940, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Erannon; Rosa Noel Roth, August 28, 1940, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Roth.

Right, reading down: H. Clinton Hatch, February 3, 1940, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Hatch; Bobbie Wayne Wilmoth, March 14, 1940, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Wilmoth; Tommy Lawrence, February 5, 1940, son of Mr. and Mrs. Orville Lawrence.

#### HOLD FINAL RITES FOR LASTER CHILD

Funeral services for Minnie Lou Laster, small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Laster, of Ronda, were held Tuesday afternoon from the Little Elkin Baptist church.

In addition to her parents she is survived by a younger brother, Billy, and her paternal and maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Laster, of Ronda, and Mr. and Mrs. Santford Sparks, of Roaring River.

Her father, Paul Laster, is employed in the Wool Department.

A fellow was always late to work so his boss gave him a fine alarm clock for Christmas. After that he was on time for weeks but finally he began straggling ployer said, "John, I thought I gave you an alarm clock so you wouldn't be late anymore."

John (sadly): "It has ceased to be alarming."

#### **Good Excuse**

A parent, when asked for a written explanation for her son's absence during a storm, wrote the following:

"My dear Miss Jones: Johnny's legs are 18 inches long and the snow is 20 inches deep. Very truly yours."

Mr. A. L. Butler, Sr., was back to work Monday following a tonsil operation.

Pictured at right are some of the new homes recently constructed in Elkin. Top is home of Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Chatham; center, the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Carroll; bottom, duplex home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Weaver, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hartness. These three homes are on Hospital Road. Bottom photo is home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Day, located on Winston-Salem highway.

# **New Homes in Elkin**

