

News And Gossip From Our Various Departments

OFFICE BITS

Here we are back again after a month of vacations and picnics. We sure did have a swell time at the 4th of July picnic.

From all reports we hear that Ted Reece spent a glorious week in Canton. How about it, Reece, did you really have three girls at once? He said he went on his vacation to Georgia but when he returned he denied same as he was accused of cotton-picking.

Betsy McCall is looking forward to her vacation. She is getting ready for a long pleasant week at the seashore.

"Steppy" (Helen), is it really true that you had a birthday this month? We hear that you got several nice presents.

Scene on afternoon of July 19, 1944: Time: 4:00 p. m. Telegram received stating: "Meet me at Greenville 8:00 p. m." Result: Off with a flash went "Red" Russell to meet her husband and depart on her "military honeymoon." Have a good time, "Red". She has been jumping up and down since she got word that her precious "Charlie" was on his way home. We don't blame you, "Rusty." We would be happy, too.

Boy, is Katherine Anderson the envy of all the girls in the office. She gets at least four letters a day from her "Soldier Boy Johnnie."

Bobby, we are sorry to hear that you are leaving us. We wish you would stay with us a little longer.

Is it a rumor or is it the truth that Margaret Collier is afraid of frogs, especially "tree frogs"?

We hope Lita Steppe is enjoying her visit down at Hot Springs, N. C. Make the best of your last week, Lita.

Jim Jones came to work the other morning smiling from ear to ear carrying a big picture of "that little boy of his". He is surely proud to be called "daddy".

Ruth Shepard recently had a birthday. We hear she received a "singing telephone call."

Pete Eberle took two days off to send his wife and mother off to New York. Pete is now batching it with his son, Allan. So girls if you want a partner for the next square dance, don't forget the Eberle boys—as both are excellent dancers.

Fred Jordan returned from a trip to Norfolk with spouse. He brought back some of those elusive "Camels" and a report that he had a swell time.

Two of our young men have discovered that honey bees are anything but sweet. Charlie Dunlop and Lehman Kapp went blackberrying with their respective wives and decided to swat a few bees which were hovering near. Result: Both boys came in the office the next day each with a swollen wrist and hand.

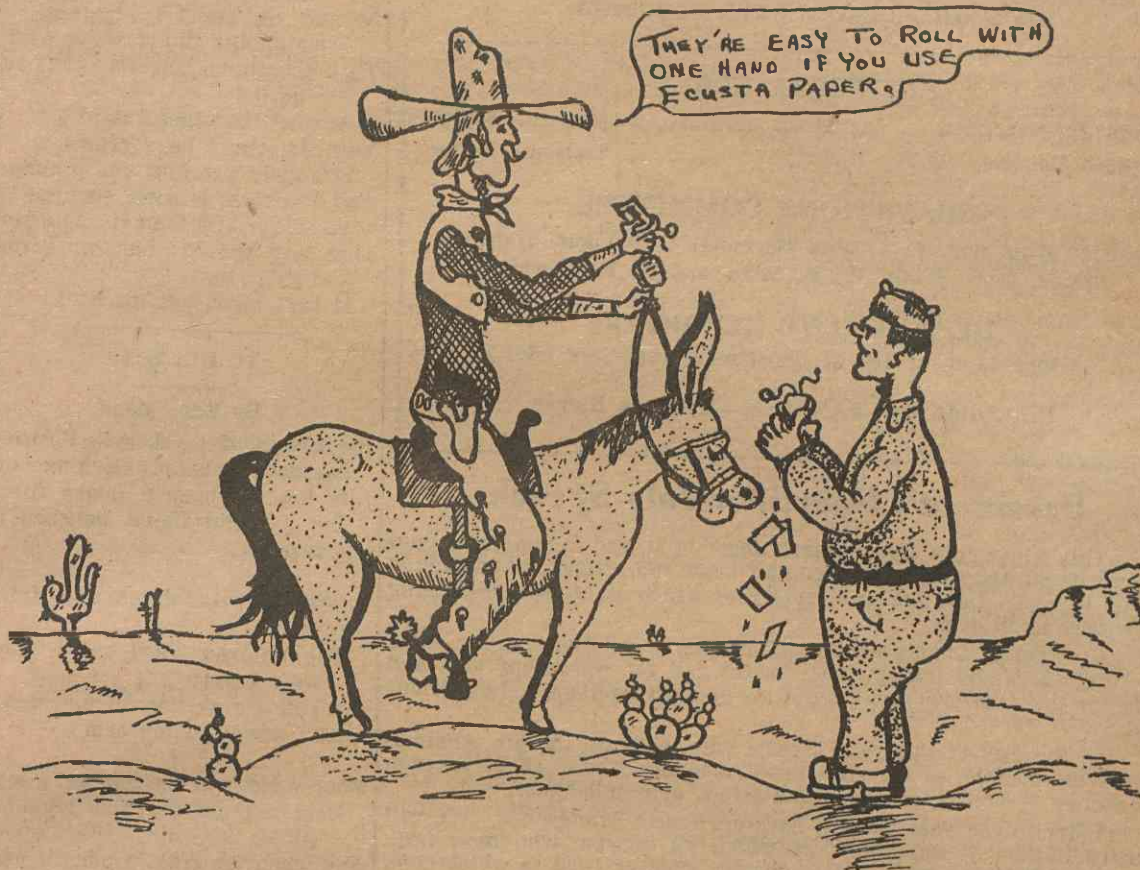
Bob (Traffic) Johnson goes over to Asheville every Friday night to go to a traffic school there, says he! Leonard (Professor) Bauer is one of the instructors.

George Heyman and Dave Mar-der both returned from New York from their vacations. Hope the city slickers didn't take them over the ropes.

Carl Stephens returned from his vacation and our guess is that he spent it as a nursemaid to his young daughter, Carla.

Margaret Collier, Gladys Bur-nette and Felicia Edwards are departing for their vacations.

Corporal Charlie Russell Gives Some Sound Advice



Cafeteria Chatter

We noted quite a number of red heads on the line on Wednesday after the Fourth. No, we don't mean red hair. We all enjoyed the celebration—especially the Governor and his speech, also all the other speakers. We are very proud of Ecusta's awards and are sure everyone else is.

Next on the docket for us is a picnic for the gang in remembrance of the opening date of the cafeteria-canteen. Many changes have been made in the last three years. Many of the original gang are now in some branch of the service. Only six people of the first ones are here now. Mr. Wilde was here 5 days before the place opened and the other "first-day" folks are Ethel, Hal, John L. Tinsley and Taylor.

We are very very sorry to report Bessie is on the sick list. We sincerely hope she can soon be back with us.

Mr. Wilde has moved again. Looks bad, "Wildeosky," as 'a rolling stone gathers no moss.' J. L. Tinsley moved into the house Mr. Wilde vacated. Look out, Tinsley, Mr. Wilde could have left a little touch of the moving fever behind.

Bill, when do you think the wedding will be? We heard you had a proposal.

Taylor has moved also, but so

Gladys, we hear that army flier has a furlough, too. Are we right? Have a good time, girls.

Mary (Paxton) Armfield spent a week of her vacation at the beach and spent the second week with her husband at a press association convention at High Point. She reported a good time was had on each occasion.

Harvey Souther also spent a week's vacation. His was more work than rest as he took care of his farm.

We welcome the new employees in the office: Frances Scruggs in Payroll, Virginia Taylor to the Switchboard, and Gladys McCall to Cost.

Well, until next month, so long. "Sniff and Snoop."

far as we know this is his first move. He moved into the house recently vacated by our friend, Homer Orr.

Ethel has been having a good bit of company. Her twin brothers and their families of Gastonia and her sister and two nieces of Washington Sylvia visited her family the past week-end.

Wilma seems quite air-minded lately. Reason: her boy-friend is learning to fly and comes over each week-end.

Young Bobby McCall spent a pleasant week camping at the Daniel Boone Camp for Boy Scouts, Canton, N. C.

Divola received news of her brother-in-law, Pfc. Wm. Joe Partner, being in an airplane crash in New York state. She expects he will be sent to Moore General soon. He is the husband of Dixie Cogdill.

My! Were we all glad to see our friend A. P. Bell home on furlough. He is one of our gang in service News is coming in again from the boys in service . . .

Divola is happy again as she hears from Bill regularly now. He reports that he is O. K. . . . Ethel's news from Carl is encouraging. He says they are making it hot for the krauts in hope of returning home soon Reba reports her husband, Pvt. Broadus C. Powell, is somewhere in France and O. K.

except for a cold Nadine's husband, Pfc. Winfred Nations, is somewhere in England and doing fine Edna reports her brother, Homer Batson, was home last week-end. Homer has seen service in Alaska for 18 months. Hubert is still at Camp Mackall, N. C.

tho is wondering why he has to stay in the States since Carroll has only been in service for a short time and has already been sent to Australia.

Mrs. Cox reports her nephew, Marshall Cox, as having been slightly wounded on Biak Island Our friend, Ray Israel, has written from Italy. He is O. K. but lonely as he has only seen one person he knows We wish we could hear from all the other members of the Gang now in service and again extend each of them our

Gumming News

(SHIFT E)

(By Mitchell Taylor)

The romance has ended; Rosalie is now Mrs. Alfred Galloway. Congratulations and the best of luck to you both.

Six new girls are now on our shift. They are: Willie and Mary Prince, Lorena O'Keely, Marie Galloway, Betty McClure, Nettie Adcock, also two new men—Howard Hutchins and Guy Sigmon.

Why is "Daddy" carrying a feather?

Champagne Girls' softball team beat Canton last Saturday night; the score was 8-3.

Ed Garren is back at work awaiting his call into service.

We are all very sorry to hear about Jesse Edney's mother being ill, but glad to hear she is improving.

Since we started third shift we lost two good workers in Julia Barton and Elmer Galloway.

If you see a girl hobbling around on crutches, that's Willie Prince. She injured her ankle in a softball game at Canton.

Mitch Taylor sure hopes for a lot—"Mouse" Meece and a "Station Wagon."

Preston M. asked Mary if ice water was cold. So Mary said, "Are hot dogs hot?"

good wishes.

The new members of our gang are Tom Flannigan of Pisgah Forest and Paul Rickman of Sylva. We extend you a hearty welcome and hope you will be with us a long time.

J. L. Tinsley visited Camp Croft July 18th. Really we hope he has some small defect so that we can keep him for awhile longer. Yes, he'll make a good soldier but he makes us a good worker. By the way, his baby has just purchased a \$100.00 war bond with new pennies!

Arnold Anders also visited Camp Croft June 29th and has been accepted for general military service tho does not know exactly when he will leave us.

Yours till the Katy Dids appear.
The K. H. Gang