

News And Gossip From Our Various Departments

OFFICE BITS

BY JIMMIE HAMMOND AND VERA ALLISON

While a few of our "busy bees" have taken their vacations this month. They want to make sure they get theirs before the dead-end date when vacationing is over. Charlie Dunlop reports a nice vacation at Atlantic City, New Jersey. Before he left, he was trying to obtain position of judge in the beauty contest for "Miss America." We were hoping Charlie would bring us back a pin-up. At any rate, we are glad he is in time to escape the hurri-

red Carpenter tells of a vacation at Newton, North Carolina. Mildred was recently employed with a letter from a friend she hadn't heard from for eleven weeks. She was beam- ing from ear to ear and who wouldn't be?

vacations were reported by Louise Byers, Johnnie Jackson and Mr. Lorenzo Maney. Bob Johnson is also back from a vacation. Wonder why Mary Ruth doesn't get homesome any more?

The calendars in the Payroll Department are going to be worn by Ruth Shepherd doesn't quit during the days before her vacation starts. Ruth is planning to go to New York. We hope you had a nice time, Ruth.

We are glad to see Leona Allen, who has returned to the Payroll Department, back to work after an operation.

Jimmie Hammond visited the board August 23rd. The following day Jimmie came to work with lipstick. The girls were "Kissed The Boy Goodbye" for a while.

Lucille Collins and Betty Aycock went down to Waycross, Georgia, for the week-end of Labor Day. It was that Lucille has a very special interest at an army camp here.

Best is the "prowd Poppa" baby boy. We haven't seen any candy or cigars yet, but we are patient until after the

only have one new employee in the month. To the Purchasing Department, we welcome Jean Lu- cifer who is from Hendersonville. Reese and Dinkey McCall both absent the same day last week. Was this a frame-up, or purely accidental?

Mrs. Burch has gone to the movie business. She was in the showing of the Ecus- tic, which was held on the 1st of July, and saw herself on screen.

You want to hear a nightin- gale, just come up to the Bird's Cage.

Colwell (Mrs. Charles Colwell), who has been employed in the Main Office for several years, has retired recently to her home. We miss you, "Pe-

Daly, former Office Clerk, who joined the Marines with Chig- gers in Dec., '41, has at last heard from. He is now a sergeant and stationed on Guam. He has been overseas since Feb., but we were hoping to hear he was coming home soon, but he hasn't come to that effect as yet. Cheerio until next month.

U. S. Government Bonds Buy regularly.

Baseball And Bowling Players Honored



The foreman of the Machine Room gave a swell dinner party recently at the Pisgah Tavern in honor of the members of their championship baseball team and members of the bowling club.

Cleaner Crew News

BY V. V. JOHNSON

Mr. West, our assistant foreman, has been placed in charge of the lower end of the plant because of additional work being assigned to our foreman, Mr. Cansler.

Ed Ross has been out this week because of illness.

Theodore Merrill will go to the Army the 29th.

Ralph Rhodes has returned to high school.

New workers who have come to our crew are: Manuel Stamey, Wanda L. Goins, Malinda Marshall, Ralph Galloway, Pearlee J. Renc, Uzalee P. Jones.

Theodore Merrill, Lawrence Rhodes and Lawrence Hoots believe that the ladder to fame leads up to the air conditioners.

Robert Banther thinks there is too much water in the Machine room, and he's trying to get someone to kill all hydraulic rams.

Things peculiar to our group:

Ralph Rhodes never rides.

Van E. Huggins never embraces.

Lawrence Hoots doesn't give a hoot.

When the rollers get slick, Samuel Sanders them.

Edgar Sitton always stands.

Ruth E. is Luker warm.

Malinda V. has never been to Marshall.

William West always goes east.

Robert never banter.

Charlie Newton is not a scientist.

The following is an account of the way in which one of our workers came to Ecusta: One terribly hot day last summer on a night when the sun was shining brightly Charlie Newton arrived at Ecusta. Being sick, both physically and mentally, he was shown to the Bowen E. Ward. On entering the ward he said he saw a group of gray headed young men squirting water with Merrill's patented water fighters. Finally Chester West made bold to inquire just why he had come to Ecusta in such a forlorn condition. Of course this was a shocking question to come from an austere representative of the Water department. After thinking a minute, Charlie told him that he realized his appearance wasn't good, but it could not be much improved, especially after a trip to Ecusta over twenty miles horse-back on a cow.

Mr. Cansler wants to know if

Stitching Dept. News

BY EVELYN TAYLOR

The Stitching will be as glad as Nell's reading public when she gets back to work.

Bill, it seems, just missed Betsy's fate of landing in the hospital for an appendectomy. We hope Betsy continues to get along fine.

Frances W., Lillie G. and Kate S. have had happy expressions on their faces because their husbands have been home.

Here's hoping Agnes and Evelyn will enjoy working with us as much as we enjoy looking at them.

Honestly, it is impossible to keep up with Dot G. and Thelma S. We are glad we get our chance to work with them, too.

Ruby is to be our next girl mechanic. You will get your hands awfully dirty, Ruby.

Evelyn, we will have none of that talking to soldiers during work hours even if his name is Johnny.

Chemical Lab. News

BY THELMA GLAZENER

There's a variety of faces floating 'round the lab these days. Sue and Anna are wearing that far-away-look face. For that vacation-is-over-doggone-it face, see Lucy, who visited Richmond and Norfolk; Dot, who did Durham, and Edith who took in Charlotte.

There's a lot of new faces too—welcome—Allene, Edith, Dot, Bu-vee, and Sue—we don't have a name for the face worn by Paul after attending the fireman's convention, but Wilkie's worry face is caused by football and cotton. The lab extends their deepest sympathies to Ned and Jean.

anyone in his department can write poetry. Just why he wants this information is a mystery. Perhaps he has been reading Thomas Paine's sixteen papers called *The Crisis*, in which the only memorable thing he said was, "These are the times that try men's souls." Anyway, last night Mary's Little Lamb jumped over me 999 times before sleep came along. Then I dreamed:

Mary had a little lamb,
But you have heard of that—
Ed Ross had a little calf,
One day it fell dead,
But still it comes to Ecusta,
Between two chunks of bread.

Inspection Dept. SHIFT "C"

BY PAULINE MEADOWS

What do you know, it is just another girl, and Charlie is the one to be called papa. For further information see Whitmire.

Has anyone noticed the difference in Bradburn's vocabulary since school days?

Myers, what about it, is he still a sailor?

Lola did succeed with tall, dark and handsome from Champagne. Who is he Lola?

Ruby A. is looking awfully lone- some since Sept. 12th, wonder why?

Ralph S. is taking advantage of school days since he didn't when he was young.

Wonder if Jessie R. will ever decide which she loves the most, soldier, sailor or marine?

Sitton, while on your visit to Nashville did you meet "Minnie Pearl"?

"Farmer" goes around with a long face wishing "Uncle Sam" would send him a 2B card.

Well, folks, that's about all for this time. You will be hearing from us again soon.

Finishing Dept. News Shift "B"

BY PEARLEEN BLANKENSHIP

Meet our new bobbin-carrier, Cedric Parris, and a new operator, Lillian Enlow. New faces are always welcome although they usually signify the departure of old ones. In this case 'twas Rob- bie, Mildred, Jean and Dot — all going back to school.

So glad Jessie is back, missed her terribly during her absence. Charles Whitmire, too, was out a few days due to sickness.

Jewel and Atress decided to swap shifts for a month. Good grief, Martha, you and J. C., too? Don't everyone leave! It's easier to forgive the latter two since they only deserted for a week.

Seen Billie's new bracelet? Her friend in the South Pacific made it all by himself.

Phyllis spent the week-end re- cently in South Carolina visiting her aunt. Not wishing to stay by herself, Bobbie accompanied her.

Wonder who the handsome sailor was that Bertie had in tow.

Missed Opal for several days — hubby home on furlough.

Want to know where Elise gets all that good candy? Well, she lives in Hendersonville.

Congratulations, Frank! We're glad it was a boy.

Every time Frosty plans on go- ing home, her beau gets a pass.

Ronnie has been on vacation, but Betty helped to hold things together in rewinders. George Bar- ton thought it high time he had a vacation, so off he goes.

Like old times having Lydia on floor again. Took over while Vir- ginia enjoyed a rest.

Billie and Pearle were absent a week while their mother was in the hospital for an appendix op- eration.

Maude's friend from Ohio has been visiting. Nadine has visitors though from Virginia.

Bet Harry didn't count on a load when he stopped to pick up two fellow-workers one night. See you 'round the corner!