

News And Gossip From Our Various Departments

Pulp Mill News

BY HELEN KIMZEY

After being neutral so long the Pulp Mill has decided to join in and release a little news. The reason the Pulp Mill hasn't had any news in the Echo for some time is that the reporter has been called into the army and the rest of the boys have been busy fighting bean beetles in their Victory gardens.

Guy Sitton is on a trade for a square barrel. He hasn't seen the raffle board yet but he has made a deposit of \$4 on it.

Since Monroe Collins and L. Baynard have gotten on the same shift they have started bringing their lunch. We wonder if the squirrel season being open has anything to do with it.

Sam Passmore is very well pleased with his new operator's job. The only difficulty he has is to determine whether his helper is Coy Redden or Otto Whiteside.

We wonder if Garland Teague has made up his mind about buying "Slim" Bullock's Ford. He has been trying it out for the past three or four days.

We have been informed that all of "Bear" Tinsley's relatives and neighbors visited him last Sunday so he failed to report to work.

I guess everyone is wondering why "Slim" Bullock is all smiles for the last few days. Have you seen his new car????

We hear that the baseball players had a picnic up at White Pine the other night and everyone we talked with says it was a big success. Well, it was well earned by the boys for they went a long way to provide amusement for the people at Ecusta.

We are sorry that Harry Crane has been ill and unable to work. Harry has been out for almost four months, but we have information that he will soon be back at work.

A card was received from Wade Scroggs saying he was unable to get to Ecusta on his last trip home, but that he was thinking of us and would try to spend a lot of his time around here soon.

Homer Lance, an old stock pusher on No. 3 Vacuum Washer, has just trained another assistant operator, J. Carland, and recently moved up to the bleach plant from the digester building. Homer says he has trained enough men to run two Pulp Mills. His loss of Sam Passmore to another shift has had Homer upset for some time.

Robert Waldrop has worked so many graveyard shifts lately that he has to wear dark glasses when he goes out so he will feel natural in the darkness.

Beatrice Hall and Edith Swain have both been out for some time due to sickness in their families and they were very much needed at home. We hope they will be able to return to work soon and that the members of their families will have a speedy recovery.

Gordon Hardin has continued to work in spite of a strained back, but has given up some of the work on the farm until he is able to do as much as most men working full time on the farm.

Paul Sitton, who had been operator on No. 2 Vacuum Washer, has taken over the job of bleach making as assistant to Frank Hunnicutt.

Charles Orr would like to take vacation as often as his grave-

Champagne Softball Team And Their Manager, Walter Straus



These girls didn't have a full schedule of games this season, but they made an excellent showing in the games they played. Reading from left to right, they are, front row—Ruth Baynard Crouse, Evelyn Taylor, co-captain; Hazel McKinney Reece, co-captain; Willie Prince, Mary Alice Merrill and Mary Prince; second row—Kathleen McCrary, Bitha Jackson, Evelyn Smith, Manager Walter Straus, Evelyn Morrow, Florence Hyder and Dixie Whitaker.

yard shifts come around. Charles says he is dying a slow death.

Claude Owens and Max Jackson have opened the winter season quite early by having severe colds.

William "Red" Chapman and Bill Magaha, of the Army and Navy, were recent visitors to the Pulp Mill. "Red" is getting ready for a lot of walking in the infantry and Bill has just finished his boot training.

A welcome visitor to the Pulp Mill was Ralph "Knuckle Ball" Morris. It was just like old times with "Knuckle Ball" around. Your reporter joins with the entire Pulp Mill in wishing "Knuckle Ball" the best of luck and a speedy return.

Another visitor a few weeks ago was Captain Ralph Waldrop. Ralph says that he is ready for Ecusta to take him back, but Uncle Sam says no, not for a while yet.

L. C. Carter says he has bumped his head so many times over the same pipe down on the breaker beaters chest that when the pipe sees him coming it just moves out of his way.

R. V. Allison says that there is a lot of difference in going to school this day and time than when he was a boy going to school. He said the teacher sure would whip him for smoking in class, but they don't seem to care for that any more.

One of our old Pulp Mills boys to pay us a visit from the fighting front one day last week was John Sorrells. He says that the front is a good place to be away from. John has been in service for the past sixteen months. Best of luck to you, John.

Everyone was glad to see Bill Hunnicutt, who visited us this month. At present Bill is stationed at Camp Blanding, Fla.

Woodfin McCanless says that he is glad to hear that the Saturday night round-up is going to be back on the air soon. He says that he wants to get back on the air so he can send greetings to his girl friend.

After a recent illness, Floyd

Miller is able to report back to work. Glad to have you back, Floyd.

The new digester helper is Frank Holden. Welcome to the Digester Room, Frank.

"Dobie" Lance hates to see his "days off" come around. His wife can think of more work for him to do. Wash, scrub and wax floors. If anyone needs an experienced man at this job just come around to see "Dobie."

Alfred Lance says he has learned to keep his shirt on when he is at work. Literally, especially when there are so many women around.

Landscape Dept.

BY JAMES RIDGON

At this writing we are gathering in the results of our summer's labors; if the harvest was good, we have worked hard; if not, we say we haven't done as much as we should have. With nature and our labors, the results show for themselves.

Like the squirrel we have worked to save up for the knowledge, the necessities of life.

Many of us are going back to school and it has been a pleasure to work with the many groups and departments here at Ecusta with the loyal cooperation of the management and co-workers that they have shown to us.

Why does Conrad W. like to work in the cafeteria? Maybe a good-looking girl?

Are we sure that Willie L. harvested crops last week, or did he go squirrel hunting?

Why is John Mc in a hurry to get home every afternoon? To see his bull-dog, I guess.

Why does Cicero G. always grumble about running a lawn mower? Because his legs are so short, or does the grass grow too fast?

Now that fishing season is over, guess Fred Mc will have to hunt other game.

Printing News

BY DOT ROGERS

Anne McClure has returned to work after being absent for some time due to a tonsil operation.

Howard Hutchins is back in the Printing department again. He has been working in the Gumming department for awhile.

Cecil Morrison got a phone call the other night that he thought was the worst news possible, but it was a mistake, and not nearly as bad as he thought. We are all glad, Cecil, that it was a mistake. "Mac" McClure brought some pictures down to show us, the other day, that were really cute. They're certainly fine looking children, "Mac."

Moriah, it surely is nice to see you back at work again.

Julius Tinsley, a former employee in our department, who is now in the Marines, paid us a visit recently.

Hand Booklet News

BY EILEEN NELSON

Here we are back after a long absence with a little news and gossip.

Seems to be vacation time in H. B. D. Marie Nelson and Carolyn Waters spent theirs visiting in Washington, D. C. Dot Conley made a trip to Baltimore. Bernice Ledford spent hers at her home in Franklin. Dixie Whitaker and family visited in Albemarle. Syble Merrill used her vacation to recuperate from a tonsil operation. Vi Wilber was looking very happy on her vacation. (Naturally, Johnnie was at home.) Lois Osteen is spending a week in Newport News, Virginia.

We are glad to have Elizabeth Sellers back with us again.

Lyday Mehaffey visited us a few days ago. He was sure looking swell. Uncle Sam must be treating him all right.