

News And Gossip From Our Various Departments

Machine Room News

BY JOHN GOOLSBY

Well, lots of things have happened to the Machine Room Gang since the last time news went to press. Here are some of the headlines of marriages, births, baseball, golf and scandal.

Yes, the stork came in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Stroup and gently set down a little bundle direct from heaven. A bouncing baby boy, the name, John Paul (a lovely name) Stroup; weight, 8½ pounds. This happened June 2nd. Little Johnny and mother are getting along fine. Congratulations! Tom was telling me that he was suffering from a severe toothache for two days prior to this time. Now he says he can't figure where the pain went so quickly.

Now, coming to the high light of the evening, baseball! We played a team on the 14th of June with a game called Due to Rain. The score tied five to five. That game was played the following Monday, by request, the score this time was a complete shut-out of 17 to 0 in favor of the Machine Room. I saw the leading players on the other team walk in and out of the game. It reminded me of our late W.P.A. project. Here is something I read a few years ago which I would like to repeat:

When the Great Scorer comes to write against your name,
It is not how many you won or lost,
But how you played the game.

Yes, folks we have a swell bunch of ball players here at Ecusta on every team. Let us all come out and watch these boys. The Machine Room, I might say, is in their second year with no defeats. That is what I call a real power house.

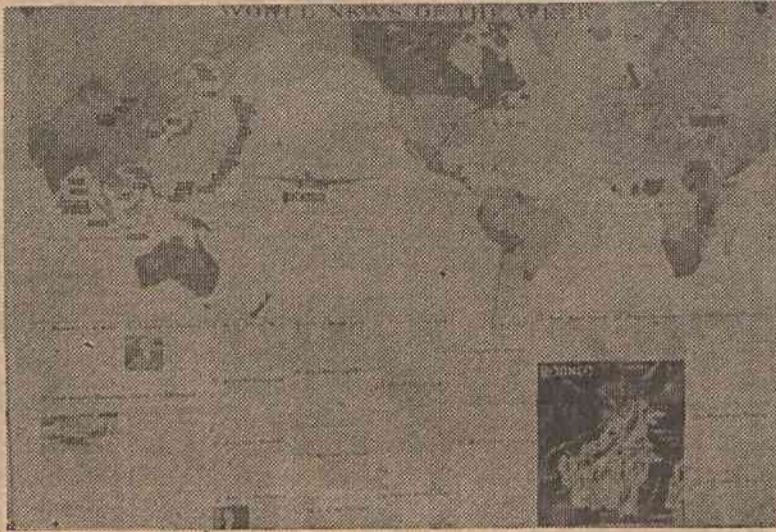
Charles McCormick, our veteran paper maker, has returned from a vacation to our old home, the Blue Ridge mountains of Virginia. He left behind his youngest son, Henry, who holds a position as third hand on number three paper machine. Yeah, two days of cooking and washing dishes and then Henry went out and took unto himself a bride, Miss Margaret Stepp of Hendersonville, N. C. They were married June 4, 194V, down in Greenville, S. C. Margaret formerly worked on "B" Shift, Inspection. We, in the Machine Room, wish you both a life time of peace, joy and happiness.

Several of the golfers we have in the Machine Room told me this story: "You might stay at home more," complained the young wife, "you are forever playing golf. Can't you forget it sometimes?" "Well," replied her husband as he stuffed his golf hat in his pockets and shouldered his golf bag, "you know what the doctor said, dear; 'live on greens as much as possible'."

This story comes to me since number four paper machine started up after the last repair job. Robert Head, one of the veteran inspectors, has increased his raw carrots consumption to one gallon daily. Some of the boys argued that they help your eyes, others say no; my answer is, I have never seen a rabbit wear glasses, have you?

I would like to finish up the

Keep Up With World News In Our Library



Even though you read the newspapers, magazines and listen to the radio, you will enjoy keeping up with the world news of the week that is featured in the Library. A new map and display of news arrives each Monday morning.

news of the month with the following poem by E. A. Guest.

Ready For Promotion

There's going to be a vacancy
Above you later on.
Some day you'll find the foreman
Or the superintendent gone,
Are you growing big enough,
When this shall be the case,
To quit the post you're holding now
And step into his place?

You do the work you have to do
With ease from day to day,
But you are getting ready
To deserve the larger pay?
If there should come a vacancy
With bigger tasks to do,
Could you step in and fill the place
If it were offered you?

Tomorrow's not so far away,
Nor is the goal you seek,
Today you should be training
For the work you'll do next week.
The bigger job is just ahead,
Each day new changes bring—
Suppose that post were vacant now,
Could you take charge of things?

It's not enough to know enough
To hold your place today,
It's not enough to do enough
To earn your weekly pay.
Some day there'll be a vacancy
With greater tasks to do—
Will you be ready for the place
When it shall fall to you?

So long. See you at the picnic
'cause I'm sure we are all going
to be there.

Physical Lab. News

By ANNIE LOU HAMLIN

Well, it looks as if old man Winter will have to take a back seat for awhile. We hope so, at least.

Louise Corn reports a nice time while on her vacation. Helen F. and Stella S. are beginning their vacations this week, but we will tell you more about them next month.

Connie F. reports a nice week-end spent with her parents in Lexington.

We wonder why Naomi is all smiles lately — even graveyard doesn't have the usual effect on her. Could it be that she is looking for a certain soldier to sail home soon?

Louise K. was off from work while her husband was home on leave for a few days.

Cafeteria-Canteen Chatter

By SULA COX

Ray Israel, a former member of our gang, visited us on June 6th. We were all delighted to see him. He is a member of the 3rd Division and has been serving with the Infantry for 15 months overseas. He has won several decorations of which we are proud. We realize that it is just such fellows as Ray who went into this fight and brought on V—E Day. He has seen some of the world,—Africa, Italy, France, England, — then HOME! the very best spot on the globe, Ray says. He expressed hope of being back with us soon. We hope so, too, Ray.

A pleasant surprise was a letter from Clifford Cagle, of the Seabees, now in the Philippines. He sent us a picture of the natives, enjoying the little village which the Seabees had cleaned up. They call it the Coconut Grove. Cag. said some mighty nice things about the plant, its founder, and so on. We agree with you fellow, perfectly. He hopes, and we hope, to have him back soon.

Mrs. Blake visited her brother, J. L. Osteen, of Greensboro, on her five days off. She went especially to see her nephew, Cadet John L. Osteen, Jr., who is a student at West Point.

Ed Sprouse and family have enjoyed two week-end visits from Bill, who is in camp in Ft. Bragg.

Olivia reports a nice vacation during May, even tho' she did spend it at home.

We wish to correct a mistake made last month. Bessie and her father, Mr. Haskett, of Pickens, S. C., visited Bessie's sister in Baltimore, Md., not Knoxville, Tenn. We hope you didn't have too hard a time explaining. Bessie also spent last week-end visiting her sister, Mrs. Lydia Ensley of Sylva, N. C.

Our Ethels, Opal and Divola are anxious for those soldiers of theirs to get back from Europe, now that the war is over over there.

We each extend our sympathy to Dewey Banther on the death of his mother.

There has been a faint whisper that Hal may get home from Bainbridge, Md., in time for the Fourth of July picnic. We certainly

Office Bits

By CARMEL McCRARY And FELICIA EDWARDS

June, the month of brides, is here, but so far we have none in the Main Office. Looks like you'd better get busy, girls.

Betty Aycock reports a terrific time at Myrtle Beach. Fine tan you got there, Betty.

Ethel Snelson is all smiles since Charles got his discharge. She is also the proud owner of a bowling medal. We're glad somebody on the Office team could do it. Seems like the only team the girls could beat was the Office men's team.

Carl Stephens, Louise Byers, Mr. L. D. Maney and Louise Shepherd were patriotic and spent their vacations at home.

Howard Schmidt is the "proud papa" of a 6¾ pound daughter, Anne Elizabeth, born Friday, June 15. Congratulations, Howard. We enjoyed the desserts.

Hicks Scruggs is taking a week of her vacation while Jack is on furlough. We don't blame you, Hicks.

Lita Steppe has gone to Terre Haute, Ind., to visit Dot Hunter, a former Office employee.

Leonard Bauer is spending his vacation in the highlights of New York. Hope you enjoy your vacation, Leonard. Mrs. Gooch is spending her vacation in Alabama. Ralph and Kitty Russell also take their vacations this month. Mr. Frank Marder has just returned from a two weeks' trip to New York, and Mr. Dave has just left for his annual visit to the big city.

There must be some reason for those curls on little "black" Johnson's head. Is there a boy friend coming home, Virginia?

It seems that Larry Bryant is having a lot of trouble with his alarm clock. It runs 15 minutes slow all the time. Wonder what could be the reason.

We are pleased to welcome the following new employees to the Main Office: Helen F. King in the Payroll department, Betty B. Shufford in the Purchasing department, Virginia G. McKinnish as secretary to Mr. Field, and Maurice S. Owen in the Accounting department.

We can't find out whether "Cooky" pleaded "guilty" or "not guilty" in police court. Anyway, Cooky, how could you possibly park twice in the same place?

So far as we know, no one has seen Charlie Dunlop's baby without a cap on, so there is still some doubt as to whether he looks like Charlie on top.

Gladys never did tell us how many fish she caught while on vacation. We wonder if that "cowboy" helped her catch them.

We are glad to have Maurice Owen with us in the Accounting department. We know he is glad to be a civilian again after having received such wide acclaim as a member of General Hodges' First Army. He was one of 16 enlisted men chosen to be a representative in the homecoming.

We like the light in Reba's eyes now that Charlie is home from overseas.

ly hope so. We hope to see each of you at the picnic, too. We suggest straw hats this year, as there were so many red heads after the last one, and we don't mean red hair either!

So, long, The C. C. Gang.