

News And Gossip From Our Various Departments

Maintenance News

By EMMETT CLARK

First of all I would like to welcome back to the Maintenance department Carl Bryson, who, before going into service worked in the lower end of the mill and Gordon Black, who worked in the Machine Shop. Carl served with the 3rd division in Africa, Sicily and Italy and was in the 4th tank to hit the beach in the invasion of Southern France. His tank hit a mine and was blown up causing one casualty. All escaped except the driver.

Received a post card from Harry Ballard a few days ago—says he is doing well and hopes to hear from all the boys back home.

In behalf of the members of the Five-Year club, I wish to thank the sponsor for the grand supper which was served in the Cafeteria September 26th. We are proud to report approximately 43 members out of about 121 employees.

Hunting season is open again, but I wonder sometimes if it will save any red points. It seems to me that the same excuse will do for hunting as it does for fishing. You know—"The big one got away."

Grady Allison reports a swell trip through the Smokies a couple of weeks ago and from the picture he had as evidence, he made friends with a cub bear.

Leonard Marlowe has been absent from work for about three weeks. While working at home he tripped and fell on an ax, cutting his knee.

Horace DeBord brags about picking the right team for the World Series.

Mr. Bagwell says there is a standing invitation to anyone wishing to help dig out his basement.

The last account we had from Jack W. he was headed for Big Indian Creek on a fishing trip.

Walter Reems wants to rent a big pot to cook a sweet potato he raised this year—says he grew one over 20 inches long.

W. Collins is giving a reduced rate on fall plowing during next month.

A party from the electric shop spent the week-end on a fishing trip on Horse Pasture River claiming some nice fish. Seems they caught several as long as your finger and, of course, threw the little ones back.

We hear that Bruce Reynolds did some fancy Bowling last week. The story we get is that Bruce took on a certain Dennis Dobbins, who is the interplant champion of the Firestone Rubber company of Akron, Ohio, in a five game match. The resulting score was 900 by Bruce to 778 by Dobbins. Our congratulations, Bruce. You sure were holding up the ol' department reputation.

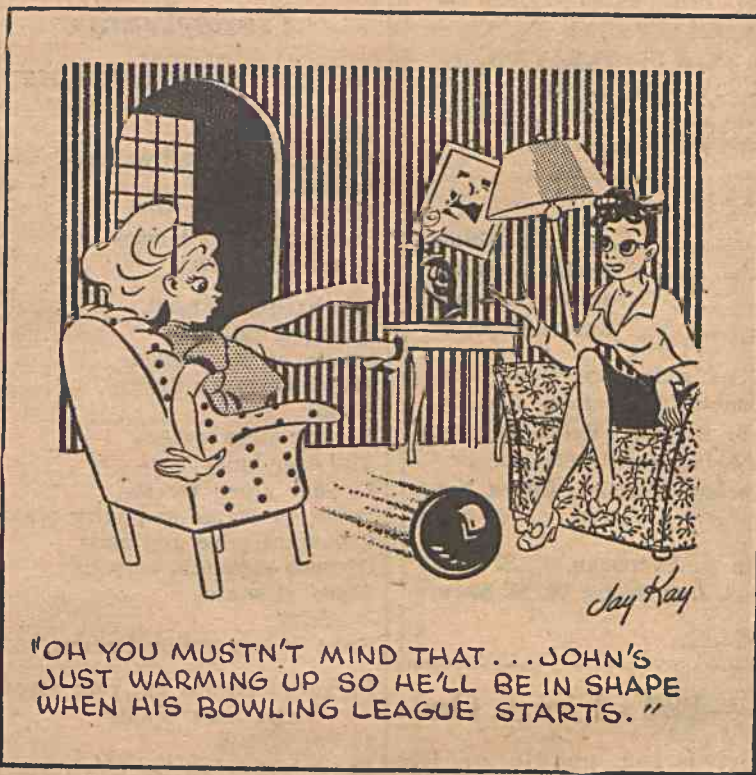
John DeBord is taking his vacation next week, but declares he isn't going fishing or hunting.

It seems that the Electric shop has an Arkansas traveler. Mr. Bagwell says those electric trucks are dangerous. They will drive almost against you before they will stop.

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A Red socialist once knocked at a house in Park Lane, London, and shouted to the footman: "The Revolution is here."

"All revolutions must be delivered at the tradesmen's entrance," replied the footman coldly.



Machine Room News

BY JOHN GOOLSBY

Well, to get a good start on the news this month, here is a marriage. Floyd W. Goodson, the boy that holds down that third-hand position on No. 4 paper machine, asked Miss Mildred Sprouse to marry him, and the answer was yes, for they were married at Pickens, S. C., September 30th. Mildred is the daughter of W. K. Sprouse. We all extend to them our blessings, and the wish for a lifetime of happiness.

Albert Payne, Ed White, and Frank ("Footsie") Case ventured up to Detroit to see the first three games of the Series. Albert couldn't talk. It seems that he was looking at the tall buildings and got his vocal cords sunburned. And to top it off, "Footsie" ordered a cab to take them to the depot. The cab meter ran up to \$8.75 before the driver could understand that the boys wanted to go to the spot where the trains stop for passengers. The driver informed the boys where they wanted to go was the Union Terminal Station, and he did not know where the depot was. (The boys said that Detroit was full of 'furriners'.)

Well, I witnessed the final curtain call for the 1945 Ecusta Baseball series. When Mr. Bennett handed the silver cup to the Machine Room manager, J. R. Denton, the team was crowded around home plate, and from where I sat everyone of them looked like a champion.

At this writing five more of our boys have returned from service, and we hope it will not be long until we can see their faces at the machines once more getting out production as they did a few years before.

Nathan McMinn is a proud papa—a sweet little baby girl by the name of Susan Davis born September 27th at the Biltmore hospital in Asheville. Congratulations. What, no cigars!

L. E. Callender, Paul Simpson, Harold Nelson, Nathan McMinn went to Atlanta, Ga., to see the Georgia Tech and Notre Dame football game.

We are glad to report that Earl Frady's baby is steadily improving after a prolonged illness. Earl brought the baby home after

Finishing Dept. News

By GINNY STEWART

It's like old times to have a number of our employees who have been in service or away back with us. Namely, they are: Dot McMurray, Polly Heath, Sarah Goodson, Lucille Hawkins, John Hill and Jimmy Franks.

By the way, Dot got word that her husband is back in the States, and is she excited!

Alta is going to have to change her name so that Polly won't be screaming for her continuously.

Sally says she had a nice trip home, but we haven't found out yet how she got the cold she has.

Otelia Parris is doing nicely after having her appendix taken out. We hope that she will soon be strong enough to come back to work.

We're glad Marjorie Tritt is back at work after having her tonsils removed. By the way, Marjorie, did you have fun eating?

We would like to extend our deepest sympathy to Marvin and Hassie Garren and to Bertie Mae and Betty Orr upon the death of their father and grandfather.

We also extend our sympathy to Clarence Lewis, whose wife died recently.

We're happy to have Jessie Clampett and her father back at work after being out for sometime. It was unfortunate that it was necessary for both to undergo operations about the same time.

Jack Fowler hasn't said much about his vacation. Guess he liked the Florida weather, or was it too hot, Jack?

Bertha has been out of work for several weeks due to the illness of her mother. We're hoping she can be back with us soon.

Charles McGraw can't seem to make up his mind as to which shift he'd rather work, so he just works both.

spending some time at the Mission hospital in Asheville.

Well, fellows, I will close, but let me say this. If you have any news, bring it to me—it's pretty hard to find it, and lots of things I miss (but not much). If you have a good story about yourself, or the other fellow, bring it in.

So long.

Office Bits

By FELICIA EDWARDS And CARMEL McCARRY

News of the Main Office is scarce this month because your "snooper" has been on vacation and thus got behind on her snooping. However, she did take note of the contest between Joe Morris and Mr. Harris. They are running a race to see who can gripe more. Joe was in the lead when the last count was taken.

We hear that Thelma Alexander is a lover of the telephone! Could be she tried to call Tokyo but found out her husband, Jack, was en route to the States to be released from service. Incidentally, Thelma, where were you and Mildred Scott on the night of October 13th?

Pat Hodson and Ruth Shepherd are "off to the races". Wonder how Shep's gonna like that airplane trip from Kansas.

If anybody finds time, please tell Steve the difference between lemon chiffon and lemon meringue pie. He was quite annoyed because they left all the "chiffon" off his pie at the banquet.

We are glad to have the following new employees with us: Edwin B. Garrett, Jr., Lila G. Rubinton, Lorraine M. Bellamy and Harry A. Dreyer.

Seems as if all these men are coming home. "Tootsie's" almost counting the hours—or rather, she was.

Virginia Taylor is on vacation down around New London visiting her sister. The marines aren't there, Virginia!

We hear that Phyllis Hampton Blendowski, former office employee now in the Spars, is stationed at Norfolk, Va., and expects to get her discharge by December.

Reba's all smiles. Could be that sergeant way down in Alabama is responsible.

Larry Bryant and family visited relatives in Maine. From all reports it must have been a swell trip.

Carl Stephens now makes his bus trips prepared to spend the night. Rather heavy suitcase, don't you think, Margaret?

According to reports from Lucile Roberts, the navy has everything well in hand down at Charleston, S. C. Lucile, our former librarian, is now with her husband, who recently returned from overseas.

Mr. Barker left for a two weeks' visit with his wife and family in New York. Earl Bryan, Carl Stephens and Joe Morris spent their vacation at home.

We are sorry to report that it has been necessary for J. O. Wells to spend some time in the hospital.

We like the tan Hicks brought back from Savannah. She reports a grand time all the way around.

We now have a "brand new" addition to the Office force—Jack Driscoll is the father of a fine baby girl, born in Biltmore hospital October 15th. Congratulations!

Adios!

OOPS!

The husband eyed his wife over the hotel dinner table in puzzled surprise. "That's a beautiful necklace you're wearing, my dear," he said.

"Yes, isn't it, darling?" replied wifie. "I found it in the back of your car."