Mention Around the Mills

Central Warehouse Office Chatter Vs. Jabber

(By Glennice Jones)

We, here in Central Warehouse, hope that you had a pleasant Christmas holiday! Judging by the broad smiles and happy laughter heard on our return everyone here certainly did.

Many came back bearing and wearing some of their gifts! Now, if our clock "breaks down" we can let Malvene Ferguson give us the time by her beautiful new Longines. Most of the men came dressed in brand new ties, too!

But if Christine Martin gets another beautiful diamond, after the two she has already received, would it be fair? If your editors could cast a vote, we would give the next blaze of starlight to Rebecca Pender who confesses she has chosen her ideal man! (But who could fill all those qualifications!)

Were we surprised when Ozelle Harter Francis came to see us last Monday! She was persuaded to stay for our party and we enjoyed having her and Ruby Fulcher, who also used to be with us!

Santa Claus really left us some presents that day, too!

For those that have been worried, Rebecca Pender has at last found out what happened to Sammy!

Among those who journeyed to places afar during the holidays were Miss Annie Milner, who went to Winston-Salem; Jesse Burton, who attended another wedding in South Boston; Caroline Shelton, who visited at home in Danbury; Elaine Freeman Poats, who went with Phil to visit his people in Charlottesville, Va.; and Jack Ormand, who visited in Shelby.

Jean Kelley reports going to Gastonia so many times that we lost count. We never could understand about that driving home on Saturday night. What kind of party was that?

Lennie Bell Thomas' brother, David, is recovering from the accident he had on Stoneville Road, at the Leaksville Hospital.

Now Jimmy Lamar's little boy really had him going some last week trying to put out the fire he started in a vacant field. The little boy said that he fell down and the matches went off in his pocket. We wonder what went with the firecrackers, though? The fire department was called, and soon it was under control. Several have wondered if Jimmy's little boy was over on Boulevard about a half hour later when the fire department had to make another journey.

Iva Pendleton's daughter, Sarah, is at

home from Emmanuel College for the holidays.

Among those who toured the mills was this reporter who enjoyed the many interesting sights seen. Thanks to all who made it possible!

Happy New Year!

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From the Draper Office
(Evelyn Lewis and Kathleen Barrow)

During and after the holidays we had a few old friends and former employees to call on us and visit a while. Louise Aaron, formerly of the Sheeting Mill, and now working in Washington, D. C., came by and spent a while in the office. Surely was nice seeing you again, Louise, and here's wishing you all the luck in the world on your new venture. In remembering our callers, Vera Belle Cherry, formerly of the Blanket Mill, but now residing in New Hampshire,

also came by to see us. 'Twas nice seein' you, Vera, and say—don't you nearly freeze way up north where you live?

Among the other former employees who were home for the holidays but did not pay us a visit at the office were: Carrie Hill and Ruby Lewis of Richmond, Va., and Lucille Cherry of Wilmington.

"Love is the strangest thing." So goes the song, but either love or something must have been wrong with Lucy Walker on Christmas eve. What happened to you and your shoes, Lucy? Sure you hadn't had any Christmas spirits beforehand?

Something new has been added to the Cost Department at Draper: that is, as far as employees are concerned. She is Gladys Smith, who is being transferred from the Wage Bureau to the Cost Department. Trust you will like your new home, Gladys, and will be happy in your work.

With the New Year here at hand, hope that all those New Year's resolutions that you have made—you will keep. Would be a good resolution for each of us to try to keep the resolutions that we have made for the coming year. I'm willing, are you?

Veteran of 45 Years Service Retires With Fine Record



Pictured above at left is W. J. Stephens, who was retired at the Sheeting Mill recently with pension for life under the Marshall Field & Company retirement plan. He had a record of 45 years of continuous service and immediately preceding his retirement had worked three years and eight months without missing a day.

In center is D. A. Purcell, superintendent of the Blanket and Sheeting Mills, and at right is J. H. Lindsay, manager of the mills.