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## Receives Award



Miss Peggy Jane Blandford (above), 12 year old daughter of Mrs. Mavis Carter Spivey (Weaveshed), was one of a group of young people who were recently presented a "Certificate of Award" as State Winners in a State Memory Work Tournament at Seaside, N. C., for perfectly reciting 52 Bible verses.

Miss Blandford entered the contest through the Baptist Training Union of the Arlington Street Baptist Church. She made a perfect score at Rocky Mount, Roanoke Rapids and Wilson before going to the State Contest at Seaside, for examination.

Peggy is a student of the seventh grade of Bassett School. Next year she plans to learn 52 new Bible verses and to go to Fruitland in western North Carolina to try for a State Winner Certificate again.

## Trophy Displayed

The Shelton Looms Trophy which is to be presented to the winners of the Rocky Mount-Wilson football game November 4 in Wilson is now on display in the J. C. Penney Store window on Main Street in Rocky Mount. It will be displayed in Bissette's Drug Store in Wilson October 28-November 4.

The trophy, more than four feet high, was given in 1948 by Sidney Blumenthal and Co., Inc., and is to be presented to the winner of the Wilson-Rocky Mount game each year. The first team to win the annual football game ten times will become the permanent possessor of the trophy. Wilson has had possession of the trophy since they beat Rocky Mount, November 5, 1948 by a 13-7 score.

## It's Your Federal Government

Reorganization is perhaps the most vital and important issue confronting the American people and the Congress of the United States today. It is a complex problem with many ramifications and is not easily understood. However, it is imperative that every thinking citizen know exactly what it means and what it will accomplish.

For this purpose your Company is opening the pages of "Company Publications" to a series of articles by Robert L. Johnson, President of Temple University and Chairman of the "Citizens Committee for the Hoover Report," a voluntary, non-profit, non-partisan organization of leading citizens which has undertaken the task of informing the public of just what reorganization means and what the Hoover Commission recommendations, if enacted into law, will mean to each individual and to the nation.

I know you will be interested in learning why the Federal Government absorbs one dollar out of every five that you earn, why the average citizen must work 47 days each year just to pay Federal taxes, and how your present income taxes could be lowered by at least 10 per cent.

I commend Dr. Johnson's articles to you and hope every employee will follow the series and thus become familiar with the country's number one problem, reduction of taxes and improved efficiency in the operation of the government.

H. H. SCHELL, President

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## Accidents Serious For Three Workers

During the first six months of 1949 three costly and painful accidents occurred to workers at Caromount. Each one resulted in four to six weeks loss of time.

The first of these happened on January 27, 1949, just as the New Year was getting started. On that day Herman Rose started around a loom, tripped over a cloth chain, fell, his left arm struck the floor—the result was a bone fracture. Herman is a good experienced worker. He has nine years experience with our Company and knows how to do his job well; but one awkward move caused him to lose six weeks time.

In addition to the loss of time and loss of pay he had to wear a heavy cast for many weeks, which added to his discomfort and misery. Herman volunteered this statement: "I want to tell the world, it pays to work safely, don't ever make one false move. I want to do anything in my power to keep anyone else from going through what I've been through."

On March 16, Leslie H. Jones, received a painful fracture of the arm when his loom was accidentally started up, catching his wrist between the lay and knife rail. Leslie now realizes the importance of being sure that the switch is fully cut off. He takes an extra check now just to be sure. He knows that a loom can be a powerful and dangerous thing, that it can put a man out of work as well as providing a means for work. He has great respect for his machine, and he handles it carefully.

Leslie would also like to put  
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## Squirrel Season Opens With A Bang!

### Champion

Of all the squirrel hunters at Caromount so far, George Pridgen seems to be the champion. The other day he killed two with one shot. This is a rarity and happens to the average hunter once in a life time or never. His total bag for the day was four.

### Squirrel Hunt

Hubert Sutton, O. B. Solomon, Nolie Robinson and Sidney Collier made up a party for a squirrel hunt recently. One of the party was made the victim of an "honest John" game. The results of the hunt were as follows: Hubert

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Thirty-three members of the Wilson Business and Professional Women's Club (shown above) were entertained at the Caromount Plant October 11, 1949 with a supper and a tour of inspection through the plant. They were most enthusiastic about the various operations in the mill and were fascinated not only by the looms but by the many unique effects created in the finished fabrics. The ladies wholeheartedly expressed their appreciation for the interesting evening they spent in the Caromount Plant.

The officers seated in the center of the front row are reading left to right beginning with the third person seated are: Claudia Lucas, Vice President; Ola Johnson, Treasurer; Mrs. E. H. Suessmuth, president; and Velma Bryant, Corresponding Secretary.

## Safety Scoreboard

The first column shows the number of accidents requiring medical attention and the second, the number of lost time accidents during 1949.

Warping	41	1
Weaving	20	5
Raw Goods & Mending	33	0
Engineering	12	2
Officers	0	0
Receiving	0	0
Dyehouse	4	0
Finishing	3	0
Final Examining	2	0
Shipping	4	2
Wilson	12	0