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Free Insurance Plan Helps 226 Employees

In the Caromount and Wilson Divisions 226 employees or members of their families benefited from our group insurance plan during 1949. Benefits which totaled \$16,860.55 were paid to employees or to hospitals and doctors for the following benefits: weekly sickness benefits, hospital, surgical and medical expenses.

The average period of hospitalization was 5.5 days for employees. For dependents the average was 4 days.

The group insurance plan is provided free of cost to all employees of the Wilson and Caromount Divisions upon the completion of ninety days of continuous active service.

This free insurance plan provides life insurance, hospitalization, weekly sickness benefits if away from work, surgical and medical expense benefits for employees and hospital benefits for the wives of employees and unmarried children under 19 years of age.

It is important that any change in the personal status of employees or changes in the number of dependents be reported to the personnel office so that the correct insurance coverage for each employee can be maintained.

Ready-Made Santa Claus

Marvin Langley helped add the Christmas spirit in many homes Christmas Eve night. He dressed up in a beautiful red and white Santa Claus suit with bells on his toes. In fact he looked so much like the real Saint Nick that the old people were even fooled.

Santa (Marvin) visited four Christmas Tree parties and visited many homes in Rocky Mount and Wilson and surrounding communities. The children were thrilled speechless.

A Catch-Anyway

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Ward and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Stith decided to go fishing at Pitch Kettle. Raymond was going to make sure he had something on his line so he robbed Mrs. Stith's goldfish bowl. The catch was small but the fun was great.

Troop 113 Celebrates Fifth Anniversary



Above are the scouts of Troop 113, their leaders and the Troop Committeemen at the Fifth Annual Birthday Party at the Caromount Field House, December 15, 1949. (Photo by Eppes).

Use It Wisely

Beginning in January, 1950, the nation's 16 million veterans of World War II will receive some \$2.8 billion dollars in the form of refunds on their National Service Life Insurance. It is estimated that 350,000 veterans in North Carolina will receive more than \$60,000,000 in refunds.

Veterans groups and associations are urging their members to use this money wisely. They are being urged to save some part of this dividend in the form of United States Savings Bonds. Each refund check will have the following words imprinted on the endorsement side—"Use it Wisely—Buy U. S. Savings Bonds."

Series E. Savings Bonds purchased in 1950 and held to maturity in 1960 bring in \$4 for every \$3 invested—\$100 for every \$75.

Profitable Pastime

Van Wheeler, time study man, has announced that he is now in the automobile upholstery business during his spare time. Van found this hobby interesting and not too complicated when he installed a new head lining and side walls in his own automobile. He can now do quality work at a reasonable price. Incidentally, his mother helps out with the sewing. For a sample of his work, see the interior of Van's car.

Why Work Safely?

Because it hurts to get hurt! There's never any fun in a broken arm, a sprained back, a mangled hand, or a bruised leg. The pain, agony, and discomfort which an accidentee suffers is reason enough for working safely. Ask any of the fellow workers who suffered accidents last year. They'll tell you plenty of reasons for working without accidents.

When you have an accident your family becomes involved. They worry about your injury, your loss of time and loss of wages. Then, too, you're probably a nuisance, all bandaged up and having to be waited upon.

The best and easiest way to do your job is the safe way. One thing you can be sure of—If you do your work in a manner in which an accident CAN happen, it WILL happen sooner or later.

Safety Shoe Saves Toe

Herman Lawrence of the Receiving Department knows the value of safety shoes. While unloading containers of liquid rubber, a 500 pound barrel dropped on his toe.

The leather cap of his shoe was cut all the way down to the metal but the foot was uninjured. Herman says he is afraid to think what might have happened to his toe if he had not been wearing safety shoes.

Scout Troop Has Progressive Year

Scouts Troop 113, sponsored by the Caromount Athletic Association, has had a banner year during 1949. According to Scoutmaster Perry English there were 14 new scouts enrolled during the year bringing the total membership from 17 in 1948 to 31 in 1949 with an average attendance of 80 per cent. Separations or transfers accounted for 10 scouts and 21 boys were registered for 1950.

The program for the year is planned in advance by the Scoutmaster, Assistant Scoutmasters, the Troop Committee and the Patrol Leaders. For past year in addition to their regular weekly meetings their activities included a Troop Birthday Party, observance of Scout Anniversary Week, ushering at Church on various occasions and serving as honor guards for The Shelton Looms Trophy.

Troop 113 had a good 1949 record of outdoor activities with a total of 15 days and nights of camping activities and 21 scouts participating. Of their total membership 9 scouts had at least 10 days and nights of camping experience and all of the scouts had some experience in camping. Many nature hikes and star hikes were conducted.

With four Star Scouts to its credit the 1949 advancement program resulted in the best record of Troop 113 since its first meeting on December 13, 1944. There were 9 scouts advancing from Tenderfoot to Second Class, 8

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My Country

This poem was composed and submitted by Mrs. Mamie Taylor (Weaveshed).

I love to tell the story.
It means so much to me.
My Country and its Glory
The Land of Liberty.

While in this wonderful land of ours,
We in freedom do dwell
Let us not forget others
While we are blessed so well.
In this wonderful Country of ours
Where all is blest
May we strive to keep it so
By doing our jobs best.