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Send News for the January Issue to Personnel Office before January 8.

### **Devotional Thoughts**

December twenty-fifth is set aside for the celebration of our "Master's Birthday." This day is called "Christmas"—a day of joy, peace, and happiness. For centuries millions of people have kept an appointment with "Christmas". It is a pity for anyone to miss this day, yet many let it come and go and never know its true meaning

Many of us are like the Inn Keeper at Bethlehem. Our hearts and minds are so occupied with other matters until there is no room for Jesus in the inn of our hearts. No doubt if the Inn Keeper would have known that the Saviour of the world was about to be born, he would have made room for Him in the Inn.

The Inn Keeper turned Mary and Joseph away, not because he had any ill will against them, but because he was so busy with other people and he had no patience to look at any more. Is it not true that many of us exclude Christ from the inn of our hearts? Not that we have any ill will against Him. but our thoughts and feelings are so occupied with other matters that we do not find a place for Him in our hearts.

Then what happens? We miss the real "Christmas". We miss receiving the supreme gift for the enrichment of our souls; the gift which will lift us up and cause our hearts to overflow with joy, peace and happiness.

As we celebrate our "Master's Birthday", may our hearts' door be open. Then the spirit of Christ will have freedom to abide within, which will enable us to "Fear Not", and to know that God wants us to have a real "Christmas".

Reverend John T. Smith Marvin Methodist Church

## Births

Martha Gale Rackley

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bledsoe have another granddaughter. Martha Gale Rackley was born to Mrs. Evangeline Bledsoe Rackley on November 23, weighing 6 pounds, 14 1-2 ounces.

### Wanda Sue Gurganus

Mr. and Mrs. Eulis Gurganus announce the birth of a daughter, Wanda Sue, born November 1, at Rocky Mount Sanatarium. Eulis is employed in the Dyehouse.

# Sympathy Hotes

· Eppie Knight

Funeral services were held on November 27, for Peter Eppie Knight, father of Mrs. Walter Greenman, who died on November 25. Services were conducted at Marvin Methodist church and interment followed at Pineview Cemetery.

#### Charles Woodard Skinner

Charles W. Skinner, father of Allen Skinner of the Dyehouse, died on December 2, 1953. Funeral services were held from Mill Branch Church and burial followed in the Mill Branch cemetery.

### Elizabeth James Garland

Mrs. Elizabeth James Garland, mother of Mrs. Frances Wood of the Caromount Office, died on December 9, at Rocky Mount Sanatarium. Funeral services were held December 10 from the First Christian Church and burial followed in Pineview Cemetery.

### Jep Lindsey

Jep Lindsey, father of Mrs. Alma Lamm of the Weaveshed, died on December 8. Funeral services were held from Taylors Chapel Holiness Church on December 10, with burial in the Lindsey family cemetery.

## News From Technical

Visit Relatives

Stan Cavalier and his wife and Frank Lovshin spent the Thanksgiving holidays in Long Island, New York and Oxford and Milford, Connecticut with friends and relatives.

### Thanksgiving In Derby

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pelters enjoyed their Thanksgiving weekend with their daughter in Derby, Connecticut.

### Vacationing

Steve and Joyce Bennett recently enjoyed a week's vacation. They stayed home most of the week, and reported a very restrul vacation.

# **Mending Reports**

Duty In Alaska

Pvt. Pete Brantley, son of Mrs. Blanche Brantley, has left for Alaska where he will be stationed. He has written home twice enroute—the last time from Nebraska. Pete expects to spend Christmas at his new post.

Visits Relatives

Chief Petty Officer Allen Reid, son of Mrs. Ruth Reid, is back from a Caribbean cruise and will spend some time with his relatives while his ship is in port in Norfolk for supplies and being made ready for a trip to Korea, where Allen will be on patrol duty for eight months.

Home From Honolulu

Fitzhugh Woodard, son of Mrs. Annie Woodard, is home from Honolulu after ten years there. His relatives have never met his wife and children and he was unable to bring them at this time. His Mother and Father were happy to have him home.

Visitor From Washington
Miss Jane Coley of Washington,
D. C. spent Thanksgiving with
her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. C.

Former Employees Return

We are happy to welcome some of our former employees back to this department. There are also a few new ones in this group. They are: Mrs. Emma Skinner, Mrs. Geneva Hull, Mrs. Lorena Bray, Mrs. Catherine Freeman and Mrs. Rebecca Phelps. Mrs. Phelps was transferred from the Warping Department.

Move Into New Home
Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Worrell
have moved into their new home.
They are enjoying selecting and

collecting shrubs for their yards.

Buys Lot

Mrs. Clara Harlowe has bought a lot off Hammond Street and they hope to begin to build in the spring. We wish them luck. Celebrates Birthday

Robert Griffin's little daughter, Marsha Marie, celebrated her third birthday on December 17. She has a little brother and sister. Robert Lee, Jr., fell on a piece of glass recently and cut two ligaments at the wrist, causing a trip to the hospital. Christmas Supper

The second shift Mending Department is looking forward to their regular Christmas supper with interest and anticipation. They drew names as usual and there will be gifts for everyone.

Talks With Daughter

Mrs. Tellie Coley received a call from her daughter, Mrs. Geraldine Batts, in London, England. The reception was fine but Mrs. Batts said the fog was terrible and her family had been sick.

## MEET YOUR REPORTERS



Mrs. Katherine Riley of the Wilson Division (better known as "Kitty") is one of our faithful reporters of news from the Wilson plant. We are grateful for many articles she has prepared for THE CAROMOUNT NEWS. Keep up the good reporting, Kitty.

# **Dyeing and Finishing**

Miss Leona Baker visited friends in Wilmington recently.

Walter Thompson and Charlie Lewis have been enjoying bird hunting lately.

Mrs. Gladys Joyner visited relatives in Raleigh during a recent weekend.

Thurmond Langley had a pleasant surprise recently. He was called to the Army but was rejected for duty, so he has returned to work with us.

Mrs. Vivian Hodges and her husband celebrated their fifth wedding anniversary on December 4.

# **Your Son Is Invited**

Sons of employees and sons of friends of employees of scouting age, 11 to 18 years, are invited to see Scoutmaster Neverson Lewis about membership in Boy Scout Troop 113, which is sponsored by the Caromount Athletic Association. It is not necessary for the parents of the boy to be an employee of the company in order for the boy to join this troop. All boys of scouting age are invited to contact Scoutmaster Neverson Lewis about joining Troop 113.

### Card Of Thanks

I wish to take this opportunity to express my sincere thanks to the employees of Caromount Mills for their heartfelt thoughtfulness rendered me and my family during my recent illness. May God bless each of you is my prayer. —Jesse Evans.