

REPORTERS

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Trexler's daughter is well and able to be back in school. We are glad to have Ruth Brown back after being out sick. We are glad to report that little Skeezix Munday, who had the mumps, is better now. We are glad to welcome the new hands to the third shift. We join the others in wishing everyone a Merry Christmas.

MACHINE SHOP

Reporter: Ellen Tise

We were sorry to hear of the death of Abe Howard's uncle. We welcome Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Goodman to Cooleemee and hope they will enjoy living with us. Several of the Shop boys spent Thanksgiving hunting. One man caught four rabbits and says they cost him about sixteen dollars apiece. We are sorry Nelson Osborne's sister is ill and hope she will be better soon. We welcome J. C. Grubb back on the shop force. Six members of the shop force had invitations to the "25-Year Club" banquet: G. H. Spry, Sam Benson, Joe Creason, J. J. Hellard, Gordon Eaton and Lomis Carter. We are proud of these men and their good record of service with the Company. On Monday night, November 24th, J. L. Ijames, Isaac Huske, J. C. Sell, Jr., V. L. Call, and Rev. Wm. P. Price attended a regional meeting of the Episcopal Laymen at Greensboro. Mr. Call reports that the talk given by Mr. Gannaway was very inspiring. Mr. Call said that religion is made too easy for us and therefore we don't apply ourselves. He says we should talk with our neighbors and friends and create a desire for everyone to attend and take an active part in the Church of their choice. According to a recent survey 50% of the people are not connected with any Church at all. We are all proud of Mr. Call's work in the Church and should follow his fine example. We all wish Mr. and Mrs. Gene Benson much happiness in their recent marriage. The Shop reporters would welcome any help given in getting up news.

MAIN OFFICE

Reporters: Hallene Beck, Elizabeth Hartley and Irene H. Young

At this writing we welcome Misses Ann Grant, of Mocksville, Kathryn Smith, of Woodleaf, and Peggy Brinegar, of Cooleemee, to the Payroll Office. We sincerely hope they will enjoy working with us. We are happy to report that Mrs. Blanche Smith is back at work with us again after several weeks illness. It's so nice to ave you back, Blanche. Kathryn Hall spent a recent weekend visiting in South Carolina. "Kat," you should avoid such long trips, especially in new Fords—remember, "the fuel pumps are bad"! Has anyone noticed the yard at No. 19 Church Street recently? Doesn't it shine? Well, "Lib" Benson spent Thanksgiving Day raking leaves, and, believe it or not, she said she had a wonderful time. Mary Alice Jarvis has finally drawn a sigh of relief, now that their "hog killing" is over. "Allie," it isn't very nice to see others working so hard, is it? On behalf of the Payroll Office, your reporter extends to each of you, the heartiest wishes for a very Merry Christmas! We are very glad indeed that Mr. DeWeese is home from the hospital, and we trust he will soon be back at

work. We miss you, DeWeese. We notice all the girls are making eyes at Jimmie Brinegar. We wonder why? Could it be that new car he is driving? Mr. Walters must be trying to reduce his grocery stock. Giles Sexton says he has eaten 15 meals at his house during the month of November. Giles also said that he had given him a lot of fresh meat too since he killed his hogs. Miss "Chick" Hartley, "Buddy" Alexander, and A. D. Walters spent a recent Sunday visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Walters in Charlotte, N. C. Mr. A. D. Walters spent last weekend visiting his sister, Mrs. Crider in Raleigh, N. C. Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Swink spent Thanksgiving with Rev. and Mrs. N. N. Fleming at Haw Fields, N. C. They attended a homecoming of the Fleming family. Dr. and Mrs. C. W. Young spent Thanksgiving in Baltimore Maryland with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ragan. Jean DeWeese attended the Christmas Dance at Belmont Abbey December 9 at the guest and sponsor for Jerry Moody, Sophomore Class president. Johnny Long and his orchestra played for the dance, and Jean says she had a swell time. Recent visitors from Durham include: Dr. F. T. deVyver, C. R. Harris, E. M. Holt, Glenn Penland, R. H. Lewis, Jr., L. C. Thomas, Miss Kathryn Freeman, and Miss Louise Horner. Margaret Kirk attended the Christmas Parade in Charlotte.

WARPING

Reporters: Carolyn White and J. N. Parker (pinch-hitting for Lillian Alexander)

Everybody is taking advantage of this nice hog-killing weather. Ross Cornatzer says he killed 1,480 pounds, and Eunice says her two hogs weighed 916 pounds. Hayden Stiller, Jr. is out at this writing with the mumps. We hope he will soon be back at work. We are sorry to hear of Mrs. Everette Land being in the hospital. We wish for her a speedy recovery. We extend our deepest sympathy to Anna and Ella Jones in the death of their brother. Lorena Nail is still on the sick list, and at this writing, is under treatment at the Charlotte Memorial Hospital. We hope she will soon be able to come back to work. Anna Jones is out tick at this writing. We hope she will soon be back. We extend our sympathy to Eunice Atwood in the death of her grandfather. Everybody is looking forward to our annual Christmas party. We hope to have plenty of barbecue and soft drinks. We are very sorry we failed to get our news in for last month, however, we promise to never be late again. We are glad to report that we have four new additions to our department since our last writing, but they were not learners for long, because everyone seemed to adopt them as one of the family, and with this cooperation, a fellow can't go very far wrong. We have recently welcomed to our department: Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Roberson, formerly of Salisbury, N. C., Carl McClamrock, of Mocksville, Mrs. Katherine Harris, of Cooleemee, and also our former Warper creeler man, Leroy Shoaf. Everyone had a real nice time on Thanksgiving. Some went visiting while others went hunting. Everyone reported good luck and no accidents. Hermon Berrier came in with a fresh Coon's foot in his pocket. We are wondering what he will be chasing next.

Adam Lagle strolled out with eight beagles and his gun, but we have no report of any deaths in the rabbit family. John Brown was off on leave of absence for three days recently. John said he was pulling corn. Everyone on our shift is looking forward to our barbecue supper on Christmas leave. It is then that we exchange presents and wish each other a very merry Christmas, and a happy return.



NEW PAYROLL OFFICE EMPLOYEES are Miss Ann Grant, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Grant of Mocksville; Miss Peggy Brinegar, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Brinegar of Cooleemee; Miss Kathryn Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Smith of Woodleaf.

Merry Christmas AND A Happy New Year

Christmas is not all tinsel and colored lights. It has a deeper significance that is rooted in the past, and which will flower in the future. For that reason it is set high above all other holidays of the year. Christmas means faith in our home, our country and our future. It is symbolic of faith in men of good will. This is the essence of the Christmas season. Christmas is a time for joy. And we, as your supervisors, join in wishing all members of the Erwin Family a 1947 Christmas that will be rich in good cheer and true happiness. May 1948 be a year in which you find health, joy and prosperity! Managers and Supervisors of all Plants and all Departments

Gifts of the Spirit

Once again the Christmas season is upon us and once again our hearts glow with all that Christmas means to men and women of good will in a Christian land. At the Thanksgiving just past we recounted the many things we have to be thankful for as a nation, as a company and as individuals. Gratefully we gave thanks for our many blessings. Now at Christmas with thankful hearts we shall give gifts to our friends and relatives, and gifts to the needy here at home and in less fortunate countries. Through these gifts we shall celebrate the anniversary of The Great Gift which has so enriched the world ever since that wintry night at Bethlehem nearly two thousand years ago. That was not a gift of gold or jewels or any other material thing. It was a Gift of the Spirit—the Christian Spirit—the Spirit of human understanding and tolerance, of fidelity to high purpose, of devotion to duty, of self-sacrificing service, of love and faith. Our Christmas wish for all of you is that we may all grow richer in these Gifts of the Spirit. WILLIAM H. RUFFIN CARL R. HARRIS FRANK T. DEVYVER Vice-Presidents

Veterans Have Until End Of Month to Re-Inststate N. S. Life Insurance

Veterans and others with interest in the National Service Life Insurance re-instatement procedures are reminded that December 31 is the last date for taking care of lapsed insurance policies. This insurance is government supported in that all operating expenses are paid by the government in addition to all service connected claims. In view of this and the fact that the insurance is a purely mutual form of life insurance and owned by the veteran, it constitutes a highly economical and desirable form of life insurance for all who are legible and all veterans should think seriously about the question of re-instatement. Attention is called to the fact that "lapsed" policies will get dividends to be paid sometime during 1948 as soon as the calculations can be made and checks written to cover the amounts to be paid.

Baptist Young People Enjoy Chicken Dinner

The young people of the North Cooleemee Baptist Church enjoyed a social hour recently at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Huffman. The Sunday school classes held prayer meeting prior to the chicken dinner. There were about fifty-five members and visitors present. Among the visitors were Rev. and Mrs. David Johnson of High Point, N.C. and Mrs. J. H. Orce, the Carolyn Flaybore, Mr. and Mrs. William Ryan, and Mr. and Mrs. Norman Spry and daughter.

ATTENDANCE RECORD (Week ending November 16, 1947) Table with columns for Department and Percentage. Includes Sewing Room & Bleach, Plant No. 1-6, Warehouse, etc.



NOW LIVING IN CALIFORNIA—Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Brooks of Los Angeles, California are seen here at their home. Mrs. Brooks is the former Miss Frances Jordan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Jordan of Cooleemee. Mrs. Brooks is employed with the Casablanca Florish Shop, and Mr. Brooks is with the Warner Brothers Studio.

ROBBY THOMAS DENNIS ALBERT PAGE, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Lawrence Page, is pictured above. Denny is three months old and Robby is one and a half years old. Their father works in the Spinning Room. The boys are the first of the Page family to be born in 1947.

GETTING TO BE A BIG GIRL NOW is Shirley Shain, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Shain of 48 Duke Street. She will be two years old on December 21, 1947.

YOUNG LADY OF SIXTEEN MONTHS is Wanda... One year in the... (Caption is partially obscured)