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ROLL OF HONOR

The following former employees of the Company gave their lives for their country while serving in the Armed Forces and Merchant Marine during World War II:

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Chapel Hill

Two Years Ago

Turning back the calendar two years to January, 1944, we find . . .

The yard ranked first among the three in the country building C-2 type ships with the delivery of four during January, according to the monthly report on ship production released by the U. S. Maritime commission. The 124 merchant ships delivered by the commission's yards during the month swelled the total tonnage to 26,625,262 put into service since Pearl Harbor and increased the size of the Victory fleet to 2,775 ships.

Two employees—S. M. Nock, of the Steam Engineers, and B. L. Britt, of the Fitters — received gold medals from the Liberty Mutual Insurance company for saving the lives of two fellow workers here.

The population of Maffitt Village had increased from an estimated 800 on January 1, 1943, to approximately 15,000 on January 1, 1944, thus giving it strong claim to being North Carolina's fastest growing community.

Five War bonds were awarded employees who presented acceptable ideas in the Suggestion contest in January. Joe V. Floyd, of the Ship Carpenters, topped the list with a suggestion that brought him a \$50 bond.

Play in the eight-club Shipyard basketball league opened January 18 and, during the early games, the Erectors took the lead. Departments represented were Electricians, Piece Work Counters, Welders, Main Office, Erectors, Layoff and Shipwrights. There was also an Independent club with employees from other units.

The guy who takes part in horse-play is usually associated with the wrong end—use your head.

BALLAST

Charlie Enfield to applicant: "What caused you to terminate your last employment?"

Applicant: "Illness."
Charlie: "What kind of illness?"

Applicant: "My boss said every time he looked at me it made him sick."

As we went to press, many employees were making New Year's resolutions, plans and hopes. We overheard a few of them and herewith pass them on to you.

Mrs. Thompson, in Mr. Vendig's office: "I expect to save my money and spend my husband's in 1946." Note — Mr. Thompson says there's nothing new about that.

Paul Hancock, Time Study: "I shall be a model young man throughout the year."

Sal Serio and Carl Spain, Electrical department, resolved to trade pastimes with Bill Eken and Bill Fenley, also Electricians. They say they might as well since the first two can't shoot anything but blackbirds and the other two catch only minnows.

Monk Harris declares he's going on a milk diet.

Dick Burnett expects to catch more and more larger coons. Russell Burney isn't going swimming in the Brunswick river any more until summer.

Rosie Rosenberger hopes, by the middle of the year, that he can beat anyone in the yard playing checkers.

Bill Barfield has high hopes of joining the Hit parade.

George Griffin and Jimmy Blow report no trips planned for the big city.

Hugh Bell is not making any hunting resolutions. He is still jealous of Dick Burnett's latest exploit.

Jonathan Earl Pratt — only his wife calls him that — of the

Treasurer's Office promises to stop telling those corny jokes we've had to listen to for the past four years.

Bob Collier resolves that he isn't going to worry any more about his waist line than he does about the hair on his head.

Marjorie Franks resolves to "stick tight to the Employment office" from now on.

Jean Jones, Auditing: "I promise not to take any more pictures in the yard."

J. B. Sellers, Timekeeping: "I hope to keep my name and picture out of the papers during 1946."

Laura Zibelin wishes it were Leap year.

George Beverly is expecting great results from his chickens.

Henry Earp promises to stop telling fish tales during 1946.

Kenny Neill expects to be voted the best looking foreman in the yard after they see his picture . . . Chief Kennell says Kenny doesn't have a chance . . . Jesse Sellar's friends all say, "O, Yeah!"

Letters To The Editor

APPRECIATES SHIPBUILDER

To the Editor:
Since I've arrived overseas, I wonder if it's still possible for you to send me The Shipbuilder?

The papers were really swell to get and if you can send them to me here I would appreciate it a lot. Thanks for your kindness in the past; it was good to know how things were going at the yard.

Sincerely,
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