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THIS PEACEFUL, PROSPEROUS-LOOKING SCENE, with the comfortable farm house and large stock barn, the pastures and cultivated fields, with a fine trout stream flowing down the little valley, is typical of many such farmsteads near the foot of the Blue Ridge. The gash across the face of the mountain in the background is a part of U. S. Highway 21 as it nears Roaring Gap. (Staff Photo)

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Selected Quotes

By A. Clipper

Gossip — something negative that is developed and then enlarged.

Horsepower was a lot safer when only the horses had it.

Always forgive your enemies; nothing annoys them so much.

Anybody who asks for advice nowadays just hasn't been listening.

Her husband works for a baking-powder company, and naturally rises early.

The line of least resistance is usually the one you are fishing with.

Nowadays two married people can live as cheaply as one, if both are working.

The honeymoon is over when the dog brings your slippers and your wife barks at you.

As soon as a fellow resigns himself to fate, his resignation is promptly accepted.

It is better to be patient for 60 seconds than to be patient for six months.

Modern music reflects the spirit of the age; that's why we do not like modern music.

A smart girl is one who knows how to play tennis, golf, piano — and dumb.

If you tell a girl you've run out of gas and she believes you, it's a sign you're getting old.

What this country needs is a ladies' shoe that's larger on the inside than on the outside.

Women who complain that men never give them a second glance don't do much driving.

Nothing confuses a man more than to drive behind a woman who does everything right.

As we grow older we find that the best time for a cold shower is some other time.

Some girls insist on a man with a future, but most of them settle for a future with a man.

Don't be alarmed — your friends don't have any better time on their vacations than you do on yours.

A little girl becomes a young lady when she stops going through mud puddles and starts going around them.

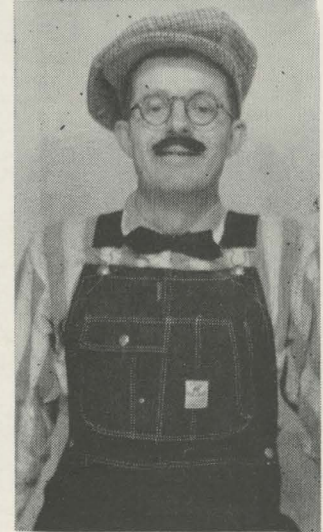
Familiar Faces

By Ex-Gum

It wasn't much fun loafing around the editorial offices, what with **Zeb Hurt**, aided and abetted by **Wilson Hickerson** removing the window screens so mosquitoes and bumblebees could bite the editor and other members of the staff. The boys were preparing to do Spring cleaning, and that's how much consideration they had for us working folks. As we sprang out into the super-spring-like atmosphere we saw **Smith Collins** carrying one end of a long round object like an over-size tootsie roll, and **Coy Calloway** at the other end, and after parading back and forth two or three times we saw the same two men trying to fit both ends of the same roller in the same loom at the same time. **Robert Bates**, over by the elevator looked like he wanted to help, but didn't dare offer his assistance. We walked into the Weave Room office and chatted briefly with office manager **Reola Cheek**, and watched a conference on statistics between **Graham Johnson** on one side and **Avery Walls** and **Charles Collins** on the other. Statistically speaking, we don't know who won. As we strolled down among the clattering looms we noticed a number of rather young old familiar faces; for instance **Myrtle Branon** on one group of looms, then **Pernie Haynes** not far away, and **Fannie Haynes** working up a storm on some fancy weaving, and last but not youngest, **Flossie Freeman**, who declares she came to work here long, long after the writer did. Anyway, their combined years of service would add up to a considerable number.

We climbed to the Spinning department, and the first old friend we saw was **Marvin Spencer**, who probably cut his teeth on a bobbin, then **Doyle Key** came whizzing along like he might be going after a doctor for **Shorty Parks**, or maybe **Marvin Holcomb**. We stopped for a bit and watched **Frank Groce** carefully measuring off yarn from half a dozen bobbins, and found it was to be weighed, and hoped it wouldn't be found wanting. Just across the way **Hazel Jenkins** was busy as a beehive keeping her winder up to capacity, and keeping the bobbins changed as they needed changing. On down in the Spinning Room kitchen we found **Brady Woodruff** doing an expert job gauging and refinishing some slightly damaged big bobbins, and over on the other side of the room **Rev. Richard Day** seemed to be diligently searching for something that seemed to be hard to find. As we turned around the corner, bound for the Card Room above, we almost ran over **John Cockerham** with a big truckload of spools bound somewhere for a refill. In the Card Room we were introduced to an old-timer named **Clay Burcham**, and having met him when he was a young sprout he gave us a nice piece of string as a souvenir, with foreman **Ford Cothren's** blessing and permission. Looking in on the Card Room annex we found **Worth McCann** hustling around the floor-level of the cards, while **Jack Cave** had climbed to the topmost part of the machine and we couldn't tell what he was up to, but he was up. **Rel Hayes** came along with a tall, long-winded story about the biggest turtle ever caught hereabouts, and knowing **Rel's** general reputation and tendency for perspicacity and redundancy we just turned turtle and walked over to join **Nathaniel Blackburn** in a peanut sandwich and bottle of pop. Then after watching **Lonard York** having so much fun chewing on a candy bar we decided to go to lunch.

After lunch we dropped down to the cool of the Shipping department and were given the lowdown on **Carl Armstrong's** fishing trip up in Wilkes County a few days ago when a rattlesnake got after him. It seems that **Carl** not only ran off and left his fishing tackle, and bottle of bait, but also left his automobile in the coils of the rattler. In a close huddle over near the Shipping Room office we noticed **Sherman Newman** leaning on a railing, and holding up the other side of the railing were **Turner Pardue** and **Ralph Gentry**. When this three get heads together somebody had better look out. Around the corner we saw **Lovelace Thompson** taking a long, lingering drink from a drinking fountain, it being on a Monday, and a hot day too. Down by the roller coaster **Elmer Vestal** was keeping the cases of blankets moving along, while **Tommy Thompson**, most recently a benedict, was whistling and singing at the ticket agent's desk. We rambled on out to our automobile, where **Johnny Sears**, from a high painters' scaffold had told us to park it, and found it freckled with white paint specks. Some day we are going up and cut the rope on his side of the scaffold.

'POSSUM TROT
HOLLOW

By Mr. Whopper

Well sir, this here is me again with a batch of fresh news right out'n the hills of Possum Trot Hollow.

I went a-fishing this here morning, but sir, I didn't catch nothing fur thar weren't nothing a-biting but gnats and mosquitoes. **Martha Pearl's** Pap — **Martha Pearl** is my gal friend — well sir, her Pap said tother day that they shore wuz a-having good luck a-catching fish out'n Hog Creek. So me and **Martha Pearl** are a-going over thar just as soon as we get over the Primary Election we have just had here in Possum Trot.

Well sir, I'm proud to pronounce that I wuz elected diplomat of Possum Trot. We ain't got all the billards counted up on the sheriffs yet, but sir, I'm afeard **Mountain Maude** ain't a-gonna get it after that thar rusty she cut on the night before the Primary. Well sir, let me tell youins all about it. Well sir, it wuz like this here. 'Twas the night before the election. Yes sir, that's when it wuz. **Mountain Maude** wuz a-making her last champagne speech in the back lot behind the old blacksmith shop here in Possum Trot when the accidents happened. Well sir, everybody in Possum Trot wuz thar all dressed up in their Sunday best. What weren't dressed up wuz lit up. We wuz all a-having a large time. **Mountain Maude** wuz a-speaking at us from the top of a big pile of cord wood, and sir, when she wound up her speech she said, "I will give the first man a big kiss that comes up here to lead me down off this here wood. Well sir, I jerked loose from **Martha Pearl** and took a running go up the wood pile along with the other men fur I had always wondered how it felt to be kissed by a purty

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N. C. State Parks Live Up To Motto: "To Serve People"

North Carolina's Division of State Parks has adopted as its one basic purpose; **To Serve People.** The current biennium report listed parks' attendance for the period at 2,439,141 as compared with 1,639,889 during the previous biennium—an increase of 49 per cent. This increase in public use seems to be a clear indication that the parks are living up to their purpose.

Endowed by nature with ideal sites that range from the shores of the Atlantic Ocean to the tops of the Blue Ridge Mountains, the parks are located for easy access as well as for varied appeal. They combine homelike conveniences and comfort in sturdy, modern facilities. The young and the old, the well-to-do and the not-so-well-to-do, the city man and the farmer, the professional man and the laborer all use and benefit from the State parks.

The 16 recreational and historical parks are open seven days a week the year around for picnicking, hiking, nature study, sight-seeing and similar uses, except Mount Mitchell which is governed by weather conditions. Swimming facilities are operated from June 1 through Labor Day. Vacation cabins are available for occupancy from about March 15 to November 1. Tent and trailer campgrounds are operated from about March 15 to about November 1.

One of the most popular of the State Parks is Hanging Rock in nearby Stokes County, just 32 miles north of Winston-Salem, a convenient day's outing drive from this community.

Located in the Sauratown Mountains, one of the most easterly mountainous areas in the State, Hanging Rock offers a variety of features, both natural and man-



BEACH AND BATHHOUSE AT HANGING ROCK STATE PARK

(Photo by R. W. Carpenter)

made, that afford interest and pleasure. Here is natural beauty in profusion. Rugged mountain terrain, clear sparkling mountain streams, waterfalls and cascades, a cool inviting lake nestled in the hills, extensive growths of laurel, rhododendron and other flowering shrubs—all these await the visitor.

Included in the 3,865 acres of Hanging Rock State Park are Hanging Rock and Moore's Knob. From Moore's Knob, elevation 2,572 feet, one may look across the valley of the Dan River, with its patchwork of tobacco fields, to the Blue Ridge Mountains of North Carolina and Virginia.

Swimming facilities in the park include a beautiful bathhouse and lake with sand beach and protected water area. There is also a boathouse and boats for rent on the lake. Fishing enthusiasts may try their skill at catching the bass and panfish in the lake.

There are two picnic areas equipped with shelter, tables and benches, outdoor fireplaces, water

and toilets. Cold drinks and sandwiches, cigarettes and souvenirs are on sale in refreshment stands.

Hanging Rock State Park is also one of the two parks which offers fully equipped vacation cabins in addition to tent and trailer campgrounds. Each cabin has two bedrooms, bathroom, living room, and kitchen with dining space. Each is furnished with four single beds, one double sofa bed, tables, chairs, electric stove and refrigerator, electric hot water heater, dishes, silverware, glassware, and cooking utensils. Blankets, sheets and pillow cases, bath towels, dish towels and dish cloths are also furnished. Each cabin accommodates up to six persons which is the maximum number who may occupy one cabin. The cabins rent for \$49.00 weekly from the last Monday in May until Labor Day;—\$6.00 per day from Labor Day to November 1 and from March 15 to the last Monday in May. Rental covers electric current, water, and free use of swimming facilities.

It is advisable to make reservations in advance for the cabins or the camping sites. Correspondence should be addressed to the Park Superintendent, P. O. Box 126, Danbury, North Carolina.

'Possum Trot Hollow

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gal. Well sir, about the time I got half-way up thar, Martha Pearl pulled out the scotching block from under the bottom log and all the wood started rolling down. And sir, after all the dust had settled down it took us two hours to find Mountain Maude down under the wood. She shore wuz in bad shape fur the fall had hurt her somewhat and the wood had skinned her otherwise. And too, most folks thinks now that it hurt her in the Primary also. Her condition is somewhat improved, but she is still under the care of Dr. Felix.

An so goes the news for now. Recollect I'll be with you next time.

Too Generous

A man who was applying for employment asked the personnel manager, "Does your company pay my Blue Cross insurance?"

"No, you pay for it; it's deducted from your salary each month," he was informed.

"Last place I worked they paid for it," the applicant said.

"Did they give a life insurance policy, too?" the interviewer asked.

"Sure."

"Profit sharing?"

"Sure."

"Two and three-week vacations?"

"Yes, and they had big bonuses, and gifts for your birthday, and—"

"Why did you leave?"

"The company folded."

—Clipped

Hints for the Home

A retired curtain rod makes a handy shoe rack. Just tack it on the closet door and hang the shoes by their heels.

Worn-out toothbrushes are just the thing for scrubbing jewelry, applying cleaner to white buck shoes, dusting the leaves on your plants.

To stop leaks in vases, pour melted paraffin over the leaky spot and let it harden.

Soak neglected paint brushes in hot vinegar to clean and make them pliable as new.



INTERIOR OF A VACATION CABIN

CARD OF THANKS

The family of Mrs. Wesley Rose acknowledges with sincere appreciation the many kindnesses extended to them during their bereavement.



A1/C AND MRS. DOCKERY

Employee's Son Is Married In Germany

The marriage of Cpl. Dene Grant of Goldsboro and A1/C Croffard Dockery, son of Mrs. Mildred York, Burling, was solemnized April 3 at Vogelweh Chapel, Kaiserslautern, Germany. Major Melvin Miller, chaplain, heard the vows.

The bride was given in marriage by Lt. Albert J. McGill. She wore a pastel blue suit with navy accessories and a corsage of white carnations.

Cpl. Helen Markham was maid of honor. She wore a steel gray suit with contrasting accessories and carried a bouquet of spring flowers.

S/Sgt. Stewart McElroy was best man.

Immediately after the ceremony M/Sgt. and Mrs. Charles Fugazzi entertained at a reception. Afterward the couple left for a two weeks' honeymoon in Garmish, Germany, and in Austria.

Binding Women Begin Outdoor Meetings

The Binding Women had their first outdoor meeting of the summer Tuesday evening, May 25, at the home of Mamie Sue Pardue with Minnie Martin as associate hostess. Thirty-six members were present and Mrs. Betty Pardue Hinson was a special guest.

The invocation was given by Verna Gentry. Odessa Vestal, president, presided at the business session. The treasurer's report was given by Sue Barnette and the secretary's report by Myra Osborne.

Birthday girls for the month

WORSTED DIVISION

A SHIFT

Reporter: Lousine Simmons

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Key spent last week-end visiting in Abingdon, Va.

Frank Clanton went fishing again. This time he caught one he didn't have to throw back, but he didn't say how big it was.

Mary Church is all smiles these days. She has just moved into her new home.

We are glad to have Junior Collins working with us in this department.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Dorsett and daughters, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Paul Shore and daughter spent Sunday in Sanford.

Mr. and Mrs. Leff Holloway from Michigan were the week-end guests of Mr. Holloway's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Holloway. They were accompanied on their return home by their two little sons who have been making their home with their grandparents for the past eight months.

We are glad to have Mary Sparks back on day shift after working on C Shift for a week.

"Nux" Harris wants his wife to come home. He says he is tired of batching. Mrs. Harris is visiting their daughter in Maryland.

Those from this department who attended the LHC club meeting Monday night were: Lousine Sim-

were Mozelle Wooten, Imogene Pardue, Elizabeth Brown, Kathleen Austin, Judy Hamby, Minnie Martin and Odessa Vestal. Alma Porter, chairman of the birthday committee, presented each with a gift.

The June meeting will be held at Melon Walls's summer home near Doughton Park.



DEBRA STOCKTON celebrated her first birthday anniversary May 17. She is a daughter of Betty (Personnel) and Dick Stockton, former Carding employee, now serving in England with the U. S. Air Force.

mons, Mary Sparks, and Cola Transou.

I think almost everyone went to the mountains Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Billie Lawrence, with so many friends and relatives Billie couldn't name them, had dinner at Cumberland Knob.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Walters and son motored to the mountains Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. David Cockerham and children, Mrs. Cockerham's parents and a group of friends enjoyed a picnic at Cumberland Knob Sunday.

Huzie and Edworth Freeman and sons Duff and Sammy enjoyed a trip to the mountains Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Walters and daughter and Clyde's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Walters, enjoyed a picnic lunch Sunday at Wildcat Rock.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Byrd and family and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Byrd and son spent the week-end fishing at Badin. Alton reports a big haul, but little fish.

Everyone in this department wants to know why Gene Sales has been nicknamed "Yo-Yo." How about it, Gene?

Guests last week of Lousine Simmons were her son Larry and her brother, Ray Gerring of Burlington.

B SHIFT

Reporter: Alta McCann

Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Vestal had as their guests last week Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Royall, Jr., and son of Baltimore, Maryland.

Vanice Yarboro attended the Yarboro picnic Sunday on the mountains.

We welcome to the B Shift James Chappell from the Napping department.

Robert and Alta McCann and children visited Mr. and Mrs. Buley Day recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Holleman picnicked in Greensboro Sunday.

Tom Hanks went fishing Sunday night — after 12 o'clock — and caught five catfish.

C SHIFT

Reporter: Ruth Combs

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hall Sunday were Ed's brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Hall of South Boston, Virginia. Also, D. D. Shumate and Ed's mother, Mrs. Lilly Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Dickerson and family of Winston-Salem were Sunday evening visitors of Pernie and Nelson Benton.

Mr. and Mrs. Beauford Shore spent the week-end in Thomasville visiting his father who is a patient at the hospital there.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Smoot have moved into their new home in the Maple Hill community.

We are glad to welcome Betty



"And do you, Jane, promise to let this man have one night a week out with the boys?"



"As to your order of the sixteenth—O, say, Joe, can you meet a buyer at the hotel?—Of course I love you, dear—Shipment will be made next week—Two o'clock this afternoon—No, I can't afford to buy you a mink cape—Get that right out, Miss O'Keefe!"



"Some people seem to be so afraid of losing their religion that they won't take it to work with them."

The Bright Side

If we noticed little pleasures
As we notice little pains,
If we quite forgot our losses
And remembered all our gains;
If we looked for peoples virtues,
And their thoughts refused to see,
What a comfortable, happy
Cheerful place this world would be.

—Selected

Jean Roberson, Claris Howell and Marvin Spicer to our department,



BURLING

A SHIFT

Reporter: Ruby Pardue

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Laffoon and children of Franklin, Virginia, and Ralph Laffoon of Portsmouth spent the week-end with Mary Etta and Leonard York. They also visited other relatives in Elkin.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Brown of Jacksonville, Florida, were week-end guests of Candice Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. George T. Parker and son of High Point were Sunday guests of Emma Gross.

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Mitchell and children of Pulaski, Virginia, were week-end guests of Ina McBride.

Week-end and Sunday guests in the home of Pauline and Earl Holbrook were Mr. and Mrs. Ted Lyons and daughter of Ronda, Betty Jean and Angeline Holbrook of Washington, D. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Kelly Ray visited their daughter, Mrs. O. D. Holsouser, and Mrs. Holsouser in Salisbury, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Wagoner and children motored to Boone and Mountain City, Tennessee, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Hayes and son Woodie and Dicky Randleman enjoyed a trip to the mountains Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carson Freeman spent the week-end at Mars Hill where they attended the graduation of their son Kenneth.

It Happened In June

June 3, 1808 — Born, in Kentucky, Jefferson Davis, President of the Confederate States of America. (Legal holiday in 10 Southern states.)

June 7, 1770 — Richard Henry Lee, Virginia delegate to Continental Congress, moved resolution that "these united Colonies are, and of right ought to be, free and independent States." (Adopted the following July 2.)

June 14, 1777—Continental Congress officially adopted the Stars and Stripes as "the Flag of the United States."

June 14, 1811—Born, in Connecticut, Harriet Beecher Stowe, author of "Uncle Tom's Cabin."

June 17, 1775—Battle of Bunker Hill (Mass.) at which the victorious American commander, Col. William Prescott, ordered "Don't fire until you see the whites of their eyes!"

(June, 1954)—**Old Maid's Day** (4th), under sponsorship of Norristown, Pa., Chamber of Commerce, "to recognize deeds of kindness



LHC CLUB GIRLS AT THEIR annual house party at Ocean Drive Beach, S. C., spent a restful week-end strolling, sunning and swimming. Beginning with top photo, left to right, are: Joan Olsen, Dixie Carter, Colleen Darnell, Wanda Pettyjohn, Dot Wagoner and Joan Crater; Lorraine Johnson, Ann Durham, Jo Barnette and Peggy Cheek; Peggy Lineberry, Dot Transou, Catherine Walls, Peggy Webb, Mary Jurney and Sarah Eidson. (Photos by Lois McKnight)

and sacrificial service in interest of mankind made by many spinners throughout our land;" **Expectant Father's Day** (19th); **Father's Day**, (20); **National Bow Tie Week**, (20th-26th).



BINDING

Reporter: Odessa Vestal

Ina and Rayford Bryant are getting ready for the summer days ahead. They have just purchased a deep freezer and a refrigerator.

Helen and Johnson Turner of Floyd, Virginia, are spending a few days with their grandmother, Mrs. Mittie Johnson, and aunt, Lois Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Johnson spent Sunday at Shatley Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Cox honored Kathleen Austin on her birthday anniversary with a surprise birthday dinner Tuesday, May 25.

Little Dianne Wagoner is spending a month with her grandmother, Lois Wagoner.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Wall and son Thurmond, Jr., of Forest City and Mrs. O. P. Wall and daughter Carol were Saturday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Walls.

You will have to "step it up and go" if you keep up with Verna Gentry. She has just bought herself a new Ford! She likes her Ford and she is also enjoying the extras that came along with the car: free driving lessons and country ham suppers!

Those from this department who were seen picnicking on the Blue Ridge Parkway Sunday were Elizabeth Brown, Ethel Myers, Ruby Francis and Bertha Greenwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Latham were week-end visitors of Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Latham in Winston-Salem.

The Rev. E. G. Jordan and Minnie Martin accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Jordan to Washington, D. C. Bernard is entering Georgetown University hospital for treatment.

If all the automobiles in the United States were laid end to end, it would be Sunday afternoon.

Don't worry about the job you don't like. Somebody else will soon have it.

How much is a billion dollars? Think of it this way. If a man in the year 1 A. D. had spent a thousand dollars a day up until the present, he would still have more than 700 years to go to spend the balance!

The editor of **Speed Queen News** says that "If you think you work a little harder than the average, you are the average worker."

One thing that always ruins a girl's chance of getting a fur coat is getting married.

your



SOCIAL SECURITY

QUESTION: I receive monthly social security benefits on behalf of two minor children. I have not moved but the Post Office has changed my route number and I want to know whether or not I am supposed to change my address with the Social Security Administration?

ANSWER: Yes. Any time your address is changed you should notify the Social Security Administration. By doing this you can be sure of receiving your checks on time.

QUESTION: My mother and father were living together in Florida at the time of his death last January. My mother is now living in Surry County and wants to know if she has to file her social security claim in Florida?

ANSWER: No. Your mother can file her claim with any social security representative.

QUESTION: When a person receiving monthly social security benefits earns over \$75.00 in a month and notifies the Social Security Administration to stop his checks can he draw benefits again when he stops work?

ANSWER: Yes. A person is entitled to the social security check for any month in which the gross wages are not over \$75.00.

QUESTION: How can I find out how much I have posted to my credit under the social security program?

ANSWER: The social security field office has a postal card Form OAR-7004 which any individual may use to find out what he has posted to his credit under the social security program. Write your social security field office for one of these forms — they are free.

Communism is not an equal distribution of wealth. It is more nearly an equal distribution of poverty.

Tolerance is the bigness that enables us to let people be happy in their own way, instead of our way.

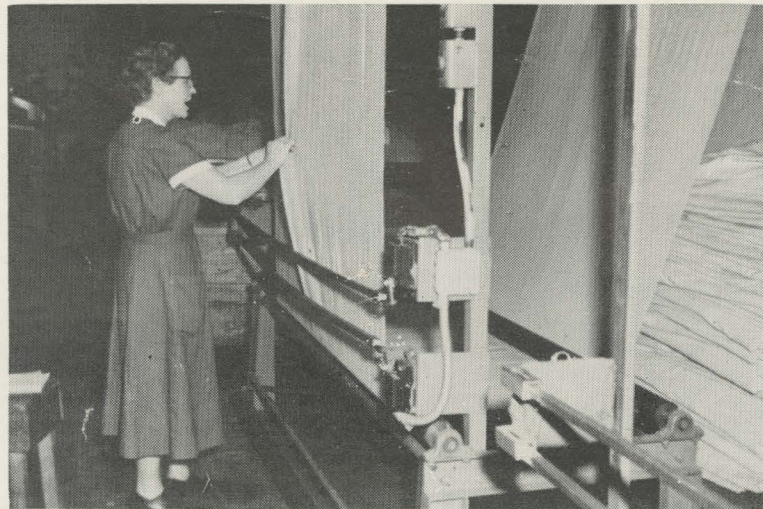
More than 15,800 persons were killed in week-end traffic accidents last year.

The more arguments you win the fewer friends you will have.

A sale without a profit is not a sale. It is a donation.



CAPABLE AND DIGNIFIED, Viola Pinnix Dobbins watches her napping machine give the finishing touches to some special "speckled" pattern blankets. You will notice the machine is doing all the work. (Staff Photo)



DELLA (MUD) SEBASTIAN seems to be singing an old time hymn as she does her daily duties at an inspection perch in Burling Department No. 2. (Staff Photo)



The idea of honoring Dad at least once a year seems to have occurred in different parts of the county in different year, and "Father's Day" was observed on different days until there was general agreement on the third Sunday in June. The first observance was held in Spokane, Washington, in 1910.

No general agreement ever has been reached as to a suitable flower to be worn on "Father's Day," although a group of Pennsylvanians suggested the dandelion as a proper posy "because the more it's trampled on, the more it grows!"

What Are Fathers Made Of?

A father is a thing that is forced to endure childbirth without an anesthetic.

A father is a thing that grows when it feels good . . . and laughs loud when scared half to death.

A father never feels worthy of the worship in a child's eyes.

He's never quite the hero his daughter thinks . . . never quite the man his son believes him to be . . . and this worries him, sometimes.

So he works hard to try and smooth the rough places in the road for those of his own who will follow him.

A father is a thing that gets very angry when the first school grades aren't as good as he thinks they should be.

He scolds his son . . . though he knows it's the teacher's fault.

Fathers are what give daughters away to other men who aren't nearly good enough . . . so they can have grandchildren who are smarter than anybody's.

Fathers make bets with insurance companies about who'll live the longest.

One day they lose . . . and the bet's paid off to the part of them they left behind.

I don't know . . . where father goes . . . when he dies. But I've an idea after a good rest . . . wherever it is . . . he won't just sit on a cloud and wait for the girl he loved and the children she bore . . . He'll be busy there too . . . repairing the stairs . . . oiling the gate . . . improving the streets . . . smoothing the way.

—Paul Harvey in A&H Mag.

The exact geographical center of the United States is designated by a stone marker near Lebanon, Kansas.

SAFETY HONOR ROLL — 1954

Department	Date of last Accident	Man-Hours thru May 30, 1954
NAPPING	November 24, 1943	2,620,928
SPINNING	August 17, 1951	2,247,542
CLOTH	January 15, 1941	1,743,362
PACKING	October 25, 1944	988,670
SHOP	July 9, 1949	970,328
WEAVE	May 13, 1953	855,491
BINDING	February 4, 1952	798,222
DYE HOUSE	July 15, 1949	741,377
CARDING	June 13, 1952	732,966
WARP	September 12, 1950	651,251
WOOL	June 15, 1950	589,768
WASTE	December 4, 1947	572,907
BURLING	January 11, 1952	528,617
WINDING	December 29, 1950	337,869
COMMISSARY	January 11, 1946	308,631
OUTSIDE	February 18, 1947	280,243
POWER PLANT	September 9, 1947	251,443
ELECTRIC	March 22, 1944	244,039
SHIPPING	October 22, 1952	243,628
WORSTED		196,929
PIECE DYE	May 22, 1952	184,678
PRINTING	January 15, 1951	165,523
RECEIVING	September 2, 1941	156,087
WET FINISHING	October 21, 1953	113,574
WOOL ROOM NO. 2	April 17, 1952	98,932
SCOURING	May 6, 1952	92,917
PICKER	February 11, 1953	59,929



WET-FINISH

C SHIFT

Reporter: Frank Woodruff

Since most of us boys on the third shift have gardens this year, I think we should base our news on gardening. Gardening is about all we talk about anyway.

Gene Hemric, who runs the dolly washers, reports that he and his David Bradley tractor have a beautiful garden this year.

Ralph Carter works here as quality man. Ralph set out 1,000 hot pepper plants in his garden last week and he says that if they do any good that he'll really go into business next year.

J. B. Felts runs a carbonizer. J. B. is more of a plant specialist than he is a gardener. He specializes in horse radish plants.

Ray Garris, who runs a scutcher, says that he enjoys gardening right much, but had rather have an inherited farm.

J. T. Atkins runs a crusher. J. T. is single and says he doesn't have time to garden because he's busy looking after the little rose-oletoes.

John Simmons, who runs a scutcher, is also single and doesn't garden, but he runs a nurse-ry.

Levi Oliver, mechanic, does quite a bit of gardening, too. He says he can't have any luck raising potatoes. We think the reason for this is that he might possibly get Big-G in their eyes and they can't see how to grow.

Mayford Couch runs a tacking machine. Mayford may be too light to garden much, but I'll bet you one thing. He can raise just as much cane as the biggest man that ever walked!

Warren Wagoner says he can't raise anything in his garden, but when it comes to fishing Warren sure can raise sand with the bass.

FROM OUR FILES

15 Years Ago This Month

Bill Pardue, Red Eller and Henry Woodruff attended the fried chicken supper given Saturday night in Winston-Salem by the Chatham girls' basketball team.

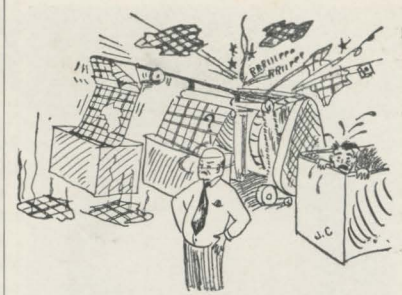
Clyde Cothren is taking his wife to the World's Fair—or vice versa.

Clyde Parks spent the week-end in the country recently and attended a singing convention at Swan Creek while away.

Sue Southern and Ada Smitherman have returned from a trip to New York City and the World's Fair. While in New York they were guests of Mr. and Mrs. T.



THIS IS NOT A CRAP GAME. Conrad Atkins, left, Tom DeBorde and Andrew Cleary have apparently adopted this pose in order to get closer to the "whatsit" on the floor between them and give it a name. (Staff Photo)



NAPPING

Reporter: Ruth Overcash

If you have some mending to be done and want it done the modern way, maybe you had better see Janie Sherrill or Lorene Whitaker. They did a swell job on Lorene's uniform and now we know another use for band aids.

Vester Eads is on the sick list. Hurry up and get well, Vester, we are missing you.

Olene and Grady Finney and Thelma and Elmer Mitchell enjoyed a picnic Sunday at Wildcat Rock.

To the old maids, widows and grass widows, a bit of advice about fishing. Remember the bachelor the ladies have been fishing for? Well, he's been caught. I don't know what kind of bait she used, but Minnie Nance hooked him. When a man runs through town just to walk with a girl a few yards, he must be "hooked." Come on now, Minnie, tell the girls how you did it.

Ray Lawrence and family visited friends in Salisbury Sunday.

Clyde Walters and family and Clyde's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Walters, enjoyed a picnic Sunday at Wildcat Rock.

Rhodessia Masten attended the graduation exercises at Alexander Schools, Union Mills, last Tuesday evening.

Francis Jarvis and family enjoyed a picnic at Wildcat Rock Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Adams and son Benny visited Mr. and Mrs. Willie Bell Sunday.

Leroy Transou warns us to be careful about dreams. Jack Adams dreamed that he wrecked his machine, and did his dream come true? You ask Jack!

Vera and Earl Wilmoth and Joe and Kat Arrington of Mount Airy enjoyed a picnic Sunday at Wildcat Rock.

Floyd Shoaf and family and Edsel Carter and family had a picnic on the mountains Sunday.

It looks as if all the Napping department went to Wildcat Rock Sunday for a picnic. I must admit that I was there, too. Yes, Jack and Mabel DeBorde, Tommy and Marie Johnson and daughter Peggy, Raymond and Alice Johnson and children, Lanny and Susan, and Mack and Ruth Overcash ate supper at Wildcat Rock Sunday.

The man who really wants to do something finds a way; the other finds an excuse.

Chatham Employees Credit Union

**STATEMENT OF CONDITION
MAY 31, 1954**

ASSETS

CASH	\$131,565.14
U. S. GOVERNMENT BONDS	221,793.00
LOANS OUTSTANDING	308,452.02
PREPAID ITEMS	1,551.43
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	3.75
TOTAL ASSETS	\$663,365.34

LIABILITIES

DEPOSITS	\$ 6,273.77
UNCLAIMED BALANCES	139.21
SHARES	603,786.90
GUARANTY FUND RESERVE	33,295.72
SURPLUS	19,869.74
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$663,365.34

**OPERATING REPORT
MAY 1954**

U. S. GOVERNMENT BOND SALES	\$ 11,868.75
LOANS MADE	18,180.42
LOANS REPAID	30,224.85
PAID IN ON SHARES (SAVINGS)	23,178.49
WITHDRAWN FROM SHARES (SAVINGS)	17,121.22
NUMBER OF ACTIVE MEMBERS	2062
NUMBER OF BORROWERS	948

The above is a true and correct statement of the condition of the Chatham Employees Credit Union as of the above date to the best of my knowledge and belief.

(Signed) James F. Amburn, Treasurer

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 1st day of June 1954.
(Signed) L. F. Mathis, Notary Public

H. Howell. They also visited Mr. and Mrs. George Bohn.

Ethel Macy had as her Sunday visitor her sister, Mrs. Dora Hartsell of Mooresville.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Walls spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Walls in Forest City.

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Morrison, Jessie Mae Osborne, Ed Transou

and David Transou enjoyed the motorcycle races in Salisbury Sunday.

Mrs. Carrie Smoot and daughters Ruth and Blanche of Danville, Virginia, were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Hinson. They also attended the Decoration Day services at Charity Church.



MARY ANN HAGWOOD was valedictorian of the 1954 senior class of Jonesville high school. She was also editor of the 1954 annual, *The Blue Jay*, and was a member of Tri-Hi-Y, the glee club, Girl Scouts, FHA, Beta club, Future Teachers of America, French club and the photography club. She is a daughter of Roland Hagwood, Shop, and Mrs. Hagwood, and is a granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Holcomb, Weaving. She plans to enter college next fall and would like to study medicine, but is also interested in a teaching career.



MYZELLE STANLEY, a daughter of the Rev. F. A. Stanley, Burling, and Mrs. Stanley, was graduated cum laude from Appalachian State Teachers College, Boone, May 14, with a B.S. degree in grammar grade education. Myzelle's extra curricular activities included the Baptist Student Union, YMCA, Future Teachers of America, ACEI, Young Women's Auxiliary and the House Council.

Character isn't made during a crisis — it is exhibited.

Hugh Chatham Talks To LHC Club Girls

Hugh G. Chatham, executive vice president of the Company, was guest speaker at a joint dinner meeting of the Lucy Hanes Chatham clubs Monday evening, May 31, at the YMCA. He was presented by Erline Mayberry, president of LHC Club No. 1.

Mr. Chatham discussed the growth and success of the Company as related to the phenomenal cooperation between the employees and management. He pointed out various policies which have been developed through the 76 years since the Company was founded by his great-grandfather and expressed confidence that the "Chatham spirit" of unity and friendliness would continue as a motivating force for progress in future years. Mr. Chatham stated that he was proud of the Company's reputation among customers and that he was proud of the expansion program, but most of all he was proud of the "Chatham spirit" which has made all these things possible.

Lester Cleary Heads Pleasant Hill Lions

Lester Cleary, Spinning department, was elected president of the Pleasant Hill Lions Club at the annual election held at a meeting May 27.

Four other Chatham employees were also named to official positions during the meeting.

Other officers elected were Kermit Darnell, secretary; Porter Carter, treasurer; Von Byrd, first vice-president; Orrin Baxter, second vice-president; Russell Transou, third vice-president; J. T. Cockerham, lion tamer, and Dolly J. Byrd, Weave Room, tail twister.

Directors named were Glenn Mastin, Floyd Carter, Howard Alexander, all of the Weave Room, and T. C. Orsborne.

Judy Harris Attends Marble Tournament

Judy Harris, daughter of Charles Harris, Shop, and Mrs. Harris, attended the marbles tournament sponsored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars, department of North Carolina, in Fayetteville during the week-end of May 22.

While in Fayetteville, Judy had the honor and pleasure of presenting a radio to the veterans hospital as a gift from the Women's Auxiliary of the William J. Jones VFW Post.

She also participated as a princess in the parade for the marbles tournament champion. The tournament contestants and guests were entertained at a luncheon Friday and a picnic Saturday. They were taken on a tour of the air base



JACK CAUDILL, Receiving department, receives from A. B. Macon of Mount Airy, chairman of the Surry County Red Cross Chapter, a certification of appreciation for "thirteen years of faithful and devoted service in promotion of First Aid activities in the Surry County Chapter." (Stanley King Photo)

Surry Red Cross Presents Award To Jack Caudill

Jack Caudill, Receiving department, who is a Red Cross First Aid instructor, was honored at the annual meeting of the Surry County Chapter of the Red Cross Thursday evening, May 20, in Dobson, when he was presented a certificate of appreciation for "thirteen years of faithful and devoted service in promoting first aid activities in the Surry County Chapter."

The presentation was made by A. B. Macon of Mount Airy, chairman of the Surry Chapter. He stated that "Mr. Caudill has been one of our most faithful volunteers. He has given long and untiring service to improve the safety standards of our people of Surry County."

Jack is captain of the Elkin Emergency Squad and in this capacity has led the members in performing valuable services for a number of years. He is vice president of the Southeastern States Rescue and First Aid crews which is a part of an international safety organization. He is currently conducting a first aid class in Mount Airy which meets every Friday evening.

During the meeting, at which officers were elected, he was appointed chairman of the first aid committee for the county for a term of one year. He was also named chairman of a temporary committee to study the possibility of Surry County entering a Red Cross Blood program which would provide for all the blood needs of clinics and hospitals in Surry County. Under the present system

at Fort Bragg and for a visit to a zoo and a museum.

Judy was accompanied to Fayetteville by her mother and Mrs. Maurice Bumgarner.

all blood collected in the county goes for needs of the armed forces.

Officers re-elected at the meeting were Mr. Macon, chairman; Mrs. T. C. Britt of Mount Airy, vice chairman; Mrs. Osler Woltz of Mount Airy, secretary; J. H. Beeson of Elkin, treasurer.

Elected to the Elkin steering committee were Mrs. W. T. Roth, chairman; C. J. Hyslup, J. H. Beeson, George Royall, R. W. Harris, Mrs. J. O. Bivins and Mrs. Claude McNeill, Jr.

Board members elected were: Dr. H. C. Newsome, Pilot Mountain; Mrs. Lon Folger and Sam Austin, Dobson; the Rev. C. W. Faulkner, Franklin; John A. Simmons, Flat Rock; Carl Marion, Shoals; C. Gurney Robertson, White Plains; Mrs. Ivalyn Green, Beulah; Arthur Graham, Cope land; Chester Simpson, Ararat.

Mrs. Mary E. Mackie Dies Tuesday, May 25

Mrs. Mary Ellen Mackie, mother of Kermit L. Mackie, Napping No. 2, died Tuesday, May 25, at the home of her son in Jonesville. She was 81 years old and had been in ill health for several years.

Mrs. Mackie was the widow of John Wesley Mackie. Surviving in addition to her son here are three other sons: T. M. and H. D. Mackie of Winston-Salem and V. R. Mackie of Roanoke, Virginia.

Funeral services were conducted at the Mackie-Hinshaw Chapel in Yadkinville by the Rev. C. D. Brown. Burial was in Harmony Grove Friends Church Cemetery.

Pallbearers were John D. Holcomb, C. W. Holcomb, Raymond Cleary, J. T. Reece, Luke Mason and Elzie Wishon.