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ANOTHER PEACEFUL SCENE showing a prosperous farm home at the foot of the Blue Ridge, including the comfortable farm residence and group of barns and other outbuildings. In the background the Great Lakes to Florida Highway (No. 21) is seen in a gradual rise along the face of the mountain. (Staff Photo)

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Selected Quotes

By A. Clipper

When in doubt, tell the truth.

Guys who keep getting lit aren't too bright.

A major operation is one you've just got the bill for.

A bachelor is a fellow who never had a bride idea.

Gossip is something you like about someone you don't.

A woman who denies she's perfect is looking for an argument.

Home: The only place you can trust hash . . . or a compliment.

The modern hope chest needs fewer negligees and more kitchen aprons.

It pays to make the most of the best and the least of the worst.

Some gals talk so fast they say things they haven't thought of yet.

When you hear a man cackling in his sleep he's probably hen-pecked.

Two kinds of people use the touch system — typists and relatives.

Who can recall when folks got along without something if it cost too much?

Many a man has gone into politics with a fine future and come out with a terrible past.

Collection — A church function in which many people take only a passing interest.

Success doesn't always go to the head — often it goes to the mouth.

What strikes married men as funny is what bachelors do with their money.

There's nothing like a gal with a keen figure to make a man look sharp.

The easiest way to make a mountain out of a molehill is to add a little dirt.

The modern woman spends 75 per cent of her time sitting down — the figures show.

Baseball honors pitchers for no-hit performance — there should be similar recognition for no-hit motorists.

You're getting old when the gleam in your eye is only from the sun hitting your glasses.

After a vacation there's nothing like the feel of a good desk under your feet.

Familiar Faces

By Ex-Gum

We stood under one of the huge mimosa trees for a few minutes and watched **Talmadge Yarboro** and his crew of skilled landscape artists manicuring the tall hedge along the upper driveway, and trying to keep on the shady side. The temperature was about 100 in the shade at that. We hurried on around to the Main Office in time to usher **Conrad Sparks** in from the Receiving department, which is now located in the new east end building over near what used to be called Owl Hill. On our next "prowl" we expect to visit this new office and get re-acquainted with **Jack Caudill**, **Marvin Mastin** and **Peanut Blackburn**, etc.

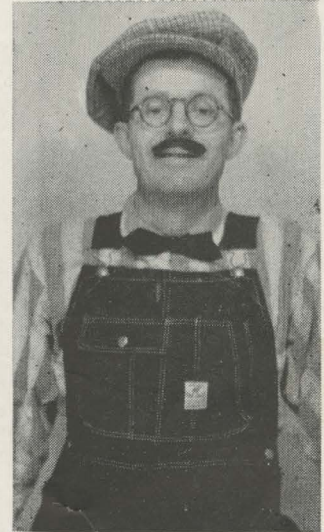
As we rambled from the office down through the Wool Room, **Raymond Hanks** passed us in a hurry, evidently with an urgent message for somebody. And up on a high ladder **Dewey Billings** was staring with a puzzled expression at a group of about a dozen valves, and trying to decide which one to close to turn off whatever he wanted to turn off. Down in a corner of the Warp department **Johnny Jenkins** was in a huddle in a doorway with a can of green paint and a brush, and said he was trying to cover up some of the unsightly spots around **Stella Cheek's** spotless creeling machine. Down on the next floor we found **Van Dillon** from the Dyestuff Laboratory and **Tat Davis**, from gosh knows where, stirring up a mess of goeey looking liquid and trying to tell **Shelley Hinson** how to run his package-dyeing machines. And old Shelley has been on that job since the flood.

Another floor down and as we stood and chatted with raw-stock dye foreman **Sam Atkinson** we watched **Henry Powell** twisting a valve here and a gadget there on a series of dyeing machines, while **Claude Pardue** manipulated the wool into and out of a drying machine. **Claude Hinson**, Dye House foreman ambled up and reminded us of the good old days when dyeing was done the hard way, with pitchforks and ten-foot poles. **Herbert Durham**, another veteran of the old days, chipped in with a few reminiscent episodes, and **Carl Garris**, who has been around almost as long, kept on filling and wetting down a big dyeing machine with wool. We asked him about his big crop of ro's'n'ears over in the creek bottom, and he said, well, he didn't have any hams, so he though maybe ro's'n'ears might do as well.

Back up the stairways we met our old friend **Raleigh Snipes** with a big bucket of something that looked like over-ripe sorghum, and stopped for a brief chat. Then we hustled on into the slightly cooler Weave Room and looked over some pretty plaid blankets that **Paul Haynes** was weaving on some of his looms. Up the aisle **Wiley Darnell** was very capably man-handling some empty beams around to where they should be, while **Avery Newman** was making a chain hoist do the dirty work in handling the big rolls of blanket cloth. We moseyed out the upper end of the Weave Room in time to see **Carson Freeman** from the Burling department and **Bennie Ward**, Cloth Designer, dodging along the walk and trying to keep in the scanty shade. Then **Charles Calhoun** was politely but firmly conducting some visitors over toward the Finishing department, and apparently trying to hurry them into the cooler atmosphere. That put a bee in our bonnet so we made a bee-line for the Main Office.

We were met at the door by "Sammy" **Sprinkle** with open arms, literally, and became so flabbergasted that we had to sit down and collect our wit again. Then we peeped in the Purchasing department office and watched **Dixie Carter** stuffing stuff in a filing cabinet, and wondered how she was standing that kind of environment. Down in the big office **Bill Brock** was the busiest one we saw, just tearing off a lot of papers from a pad. Maybe they were orders. **Inez Hinshaw** saw us watching her trying to appear busy, and started calling us names, so we backed up to talk to **Ruth Norman**, and she told us about her recent vacation at Carolina Beach where the sunshine was so hot it made her brown as a ginger-cake. She said she floundered around and caught her first flounder while there. **Wanda Pettyjohn** whizzed from one stack of filing cabinets to another and we sure hope she found what she was looking for. Through all this agitation and whizzing and skittering about, **Pat Royall** sat very calmly at her machine and typed away as if she didn't know the

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'POSSUM TROT HOLLOW

By Mr. Whopper

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

Well sir, in spite of the dry weather here in Possum Trot, looks like we're a-gonna have a large crop of persimmons. And sir, you know my gal Martha Pearl shore is tickled about it fur she loves persimmons a heap sight better'n than airy possum you've ever seen.

I'll tell you Possum Trot shore is a busy place now with all the canning and fruit drying a-going on. They ain't started drying their cabbage and punkins yet, fur this here dry weather has sot them back. We can't hardly wait for the sweet taters and lasses to come in fur we ain't had none in a long time. But in a way I'll be sorry to see 'em come fur my Martha Pearl always fattens up when she starts eatin' taters, lasses and leather breeches beans. And too, dried fruit and punkin don't make her waist line any shorter, either. I reckon we all do have a heap to be thankful for, here in Possum Trot Hollow. Of course we would of had more if'n it had a come one or two old-fashioned frog strangler rains. But sir, it didn't. Anyway, abody feels better about it if'n he does his part.

I'll never forget one time we had a big crock of cream setting in the branch in the milk house, and sir, it accidentally got un-kivered. And sir, two frogs fell in it. They both swam around for awhile, then one of 'em got tired, gave up, and sunk to the bottom of the crock and drowned. Well sir, the other old frog kept on kicking and swimming around, trying to get out of the old gray crock. He kicked and he kicked until the cream finally made butter, and sir, he hopped up on the

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BURLING

A SHIFT

Reporter: Ruby Pardue

Ralph Laffoon of Portsmouth, Virginia, is spending a few days with Mary Etta and Leonard York.

Mr. and Mrs. Evan Martin and Mr. and Mrs. Woot Wagoner attended the Copley reunion in Winston-Salem.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Wilkinson and family of Charlotte were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Fisher. Mrs. J. S. Wilkinson, who has been visiting the Fishers, returned to Charlotte with the other guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Hayes and son and Mr. and Mrs. Leo Hayes spent Sunday afternoon at Wildcat Rock.

Mr. and Mrs. Theo Barker, Gladys Cheek and Velma Armstrong recently enjoyed a picnic supper at Wildcat Rock.

Ruth and Cecil Howell spent Sunday in Newton.

We welcome Floyd Stanley back to work after an absence of several weeks due to illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Pruitt announce the birth of a daughter, August 17.

B SHIFT

Reporter: Mae Dockery

Emma Groce had as her weekend guests Mr. and Mrs. George Parker and son and Ben Groce of Winston-Salem.

Alta Moxley of Yadkinville spent Thursday with Alva Wagoner.

Betty Pennell had as her guests last week Mr. and Mrs. William Lee and children of Asheville and Phillip Watkins of Detroit, Mich.

Gladys, Troy and Judy Myers spent the week end in Winston-Salem with Mr. and Mrs. Neece Seagraves. They attended the car races Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Clero Swaim had dinner Sunday with Delpha and Willie Stroud.

Ina McBride and daughter, Mrs. David Church, and son attended the homecoming at White Plains church Sunday.

Ettie Stanley had as her guests Sunday Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Hall and son.

Ila Barker and daughter Betty had dinner Sunday with Mrs. Eunice Byrd.

The Rev. and Mrs. Warren Nor- We are glad to have Emma Groce and Victor Poindexter working with us.

Helen Lawrence, Norah Bowers and Mildred Holbrook spent Sunday sight-seeing in the mountains.

We welcome Helen Lawrence,

your



SOCIAL SECURITY

QUESTION: How many men and women in Surry County, age 65 or over, receive monthly Old-Age Insurance Social Security Benefits because they worked under the Social Security Program?

ANSWER: 479 men and women in Surry County, age 65 or over, were receiving monthly Old-Age Insurance Social Security Benefits as of December 31, 1953. These men and women receive a total of \$21,438.00 each month.

QUESTION: How many wives and dependent husbands in Surry County receive monthly Old-Age Insurance Social Security Benefits because their husbands or wives are receiving Social Security Benefits?

ANSWER: 173 wives and dependent husbands in Surry County were receiving monthly Old-Age Insurance Social Security Benefits as of December 31, 1953 on the wage records of their husbands or wives. These wives and dependent husbands receive a total of \$3,756.00 each month.

QUESTION: How many widows and widowers in Surry County, age 65 or over, receive monthly Survivors Old-Age Insurance Social Security Benefits?

ANSWER: 82 widows and widowers in Surry County, age 65 or over, were receiving monthly Survivors Old-Age Insurance Social Security Benefits as of December 31, 1953 on the wage records of their deceased husbands or wives. These widows and widowers receive a total of \$2,909.00 each month.

'Possum Trot Hollow

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ball of butter and jumped out to freedom. So that there is why I say if at first you don't succeed, try, try again—and then again if necessary.

Lillian Mendehall, Louise Moody, Mary Carter and Betty Pennell to our department.

man and family and Mr. and Mrs. Free Calloway and family were the Sunday guests of Marie and Dewey Shores.

Marshall Weatherman and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Martin attended the play "Horn in the West" at Boone Saturday night.



ADDIE SHORE, Weave Room, won a diamond ring in a contest sponsored by a local jewelry store in July. She says she "still just can't believe it," because she had never won a contest before and had no idea she would win this one. In fact, she almost neglected sending in her entry blank. But she's mighty glad that she did because her pretty ring is a constant reminder of her good luck.

FAMILIAR FACES

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others were around. Down in the sample and display room we found what we thought was a black-jack game, but it was only **Earl Blackburn, Jim DeBorde** and **Sam Gray** in a serious conference over some complicated-looking printed forms, and being afraid they would ask our advice we decided to go back out into the hot and humid world. And there are only 105 more shopping days until Christmas.

Chatham Employees Credit Union

STATEMENT OF CONDITION

JULY 31, 1954

ASSETS

CASH	\$136,657.00
U. S. GOVERNMENT BONDS	221,793.00
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	21.75
LOANS OUTSTANDING	306,162.75
PREPAID ITEMS	1,551.43
TOTAL ASSETS	\$666,185.93

LIABILITIES

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	\$ 18.75
DEPOSITS	6,273.77
UNCLAIMED BALANCES	139.21
SHARES	603,837.53
GUARANTY FUND RESERVE	33,295.72
SURPLUS	22,620.95
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$666,185.93

OPERATING REPORT

JULY 1954

U. S. GOVERNMENT BOND SALES	\$ 8,850.00
LOANS MADE	26,084.18
LOANS REPAID	27,900.71
PAID IN ON SHARES (SAVINGS)	20,140.20
WITHDRAWN FROM SHARES (SAVINGS)	19,737.45
NUMBER OF ACTIVE MEMBERS	2044
NUMBER OF BORROWERS	934

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 2nd day of August, 1954.

(Signed) L. F. Mathis, Notary Public.



Nancy Johnson Bride Of Donald Duncan

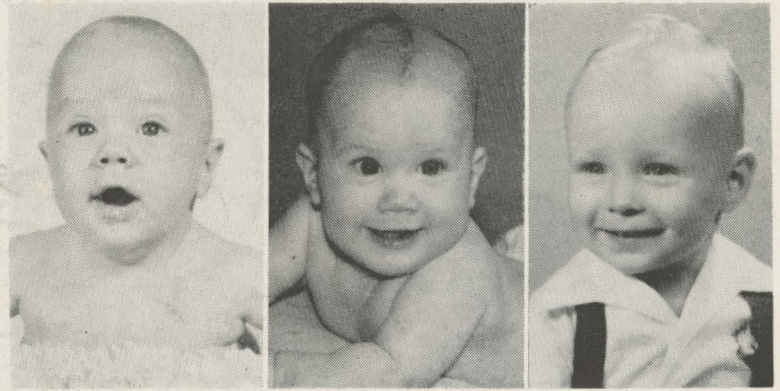
Nancy Johnson and Donald Duncan were married Friday, August 6, in High Point with Justice N. M. Cates performing the ring ceremony.

The bride is the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fieldon Johnson of Hayes. The bridegroom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Effner Duncan of Wilkesboro.

The bride wore a street length dress of blue embroidered organdy with pink accessories. Her corsage was pink rosebuds.

Mrs. Duncan was graduated from Mt. View high school and is now employed in the Binding department. Mr. Duncan was graduated from Wilkesboro high school and served 18 months with the armed forces. He is now employed with Central Telephone Co. in Elkin.

After a wedding trip through western North Carolina, the couple are now at home at Jacobs apartments.



JAMES MICHAEL SAPP, left, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Sapp of Greensboro, is a grandson of Marvin Sapp, Packing, and Mrs. Sapp. **CHARLENE COLLETTE WALL**, center, is the daughter of A1/C and Mrs. Charles Wall, the former a Cloth department employee now serving with the 6006th Air Intelligence Service Squadron in Korea. Mrs. Wall is the former Ivadine Cockerham. Charlene is the granddaughter of Charlie C. Wall, Weave, and Mrs. Wall. **GREGORY REECE COCKERHAM** is the son of Opal and Reece Cockerham and a grandson of Webb Hayes, Shop, and Mrs. Hayes. Opal is a former Cloth department employee.

THE ENGAGEMENT of Betty Jane Chesney to Robert Andrew Hicks, Jr., Cloth department, has been announced by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Milton Chesney of Matthews. The wedding will take place September 18 at the Myers Park Baptist Church, Charlotte.

Fellowship Club Has Meeting August 17

Sixteen members of the Fellowship club met at the LHC Club House Tuesday, August 17. Marjorie Key presided over the business session, and Bertha Davis read the minutes of the last meeting. Among the business discussed was the making of quilts by the club members.

Mittie Stanley was the winner in a Bible quiz. After that watermelon was served. Those on the hostess committee were Lou Atkins, Callie Foster and Fannie Talley.

LHC Club No. 2 Girls Have Picnic At Lake

LHC Club No. 2 met Thursday, August 12, for a picnic at Cedarbrook Country Club Lake. Hostesses were Anne Swaim, Ruth Golden, Ethel Spencer, Nancy Gray, Della Anthony, Vinnie Lee Burchette, Marjorie Key and Lois McKnight.

Ethel Spencer was the winner of the draw prize. After the business session games were played, and the meeting ended with fellowship singing. Vena Darnell, president, presided over the meeting.

An angel is just a pedestrian who jumped too late.

Weave Women Have Hobo Meet In August

Hobos from the Weave Women's Club gathered at the Wildlife Club House Thursday evening, August 12, for a picnic meeting. A prize was awarded to Mozelle Francis for being the best dressed hobo.

After the discussion of business, a scavenger hunt was held. The meeting ended with the singing of songs. Violet Mackie, president, presided over the business session.



CONGRATULATIONS to Pam Creed, granddaughter of Marie Sparks, Weave, who was a year old July 25. Pam is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Creed.



SHIPPING

Reporter: Loretta Hunter

We are sorry to lose Jo Smitherman who will be returning to Salem College for another school year.

We send our best wishes to Corbett Walters's father who is ill.

Jimmy Lillard enjoyed a trip to Boone recently where he attended the pageant "Horn In The West."

Tommy Thompson was honored on his birthday anniversary with a surprise party given by Mrs. Thompson and Mrs. Grady Simmons at the home of Mrs. Simmons. Tommy was the recipient of many nice gifts.

Mr. and Mrs. Graham Newman and son Mickey of Hillsville, Virginia, were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Newman.

Ernest Calloway has a nice new watch. Sure is pretty.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Carroll and family spent the week-end touring Mt. Mitchell and Cherokee, where

WHY POLLSTERS FELL DOWN

Several weeks before the election we were riding on a bus, when we overheard one man ask another, "How is your wife going to vote?"

"The same as I am, of course," came the complacent reply.

"Interesting, if true," we reflected. But a few days later we glimpsed the other side of the coin.

It was in an elevator that we heard one woman ask another, "Are you going to vote the way your husband does?"

The other woman grinned, and replied, "He thinks I am."

"What model is your car?"

"This car ain't no model — it's a horrible example."

they attended the pageant "Unto These Hills."



A GROUP OF EMPLOYEES who are being congratulated for various reasons are, left to right, Gilbert Wagoner, newlywed, Georgia Transou, newlywed, Oscar Sidden, new father, Herbert Caudle, new father, Lovie D. Phillips, newlywed, Bobby Brown, newlywed. Each newlywed is presented with a couple of Chatham blankets, and each new father is presented with a Chatham baby blanket. In 1953 the gift list totaled 84 for weddings and 112 for new babies. (Staff Photo)

● WORSTED DIVISION

A SHIFT

Reporter: Lousine Simmons

Mr. and Mrs. Edworth Freeman and sons Duff and Sammy visited Grandfather Mountain Sunday and had a picnic lunch.

Rose and Otis Key attended a big birthday dinner in Burlington Sunday honoring W. M. Childress.

Pauline and Clyde Walters and daughter Linda enjoyed lunch on the mountains Sunday.

"Nux" Harris reports a wonderful week-end. He just wishes there were more of them.

We wonder what it is that Gene Sales has been drinking that makes him feel so good lately. I hear that he and Ed Hall made a quick trip to Russia to acquire the "stuff," whatever it is. Let us in on the secret, Gene.

We miss Charlie Wheeler. He is on the evening shift this week.

It seems that new cars are just floating around up here this week. Delmar Lewis is sporting a new Olds, Wayne Walters a Dodge, Sam Gambill a Nash, and Mr. Phillips has a new Buick. Sam says his car has everything and can even be made into a bed. By the way, if you hear any strange noises, don't get excited. It's only the twin exhaust on Wayne's Dodge.

We are very proud to have a "little ray of sunshine" in our department. The way I heard it, Bill Boles walked into the Main Office one morning and blinded one of the girls so that she had to remove her glasses. She turned around and asked another girl who the "little ray of sunshine" was. So from that day on Bill has been known as our "little ray of sunshine."

After reporting that last bit of news, I guess I had better start hunting myself a hiding place but you'll be hearing from me next time if I am still around.

B SHIFT

Reporter: Alta McCann

Mr. and Mrs. John Royall attended the homecoming at White Plains Baptist church.

Mary and Sim DeHart visited Sim's father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Robert DeHart, in Kernersville Sunday.

We welcome to the B Shift Herbert Caudle, Modis Templeton and Grady Somers.

Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Southard visited in Pinnacle during the week-end.

Josie and Jerry Dunn and son Steven visited relatives in Greensboro during the week-end.

Mary and Elmer Morrison had as their visitors Sunday night M/Sgt. and Mrs. R. S. Gray of Rapid City, South Dakota, and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Daye and son Robbie.

Vanice Yarboro visited Ruby Shore Sunday.



A GOOD SAMARITAN is Uncle Dave Mastin (retired), who is seen here as he placed a fresh supply of fruits and vegetables together with plenty of kindling and stovewood on the front porch of W. Cone Cox (retired). Mr. Cox, at the time, was away at the beach with Mrs. Cox and some friends, and Uncle Dave was anticipating their early return. (Staff Photo)



THIS ATTRACTIVE RANCH TYPE RESIDENCE is the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kennedy, and is located on Oakland Drive just a short distance from Highway 21. Paul is Foreman of Burling No. 2. (Staff Photo)

C SHIFT

Reporter: Ruth Combs

Mr. and Mrs. David Darnell and family were the Sunday afternoon visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Sammie Combs.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Buford Blackburn who are the proud parents of a new baby boy.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Holloway and family motored to the mountains Sunday.

Luther Byrd requests that anyone who has a road map of Ronda please send it to Mrs. Ralph Byrd as he thinks she badly needs one.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs.

Rex Cockerham who are the proud parents of a new baby girl.

We welcome Arlene Wood to the third shift.

Forest fires each year burn enough wood to make the paper for every daily newspaper published in the United States.

What the world needs is more people who can disagree without being disagreeable.

Women drive the same way men do—only they seem less ashamed of it.



BINDING

Reporter: Odessa Vestal

Clyde Minish is glad to be back to work after an exciting vacation. According to all reports, Clyde really saw part of the big wide world: New York with its busy streets and glittering lights, the Hudson River, and the real sure enough theatrical world. He climbed to the top of the Empire State building. He had three meals a day at the Waldorf Astoria and, best of all, he had a Marilyn Monroe to serve his meals. For pastime he stood on Times Square and watched passerby. To make a long story short, the streets were really the Jonesville streets, the lights were the moon shining on the Yadkin. The theatrical world was the drive-in theatre that can be seen from his own front yard, and the Empire State building turned out to be the old apple tree. Meals were at the Minish home with Clyde's own dear Mrs. Minish as waitress. He spent hours on his door steps waiting for his neighbors to come home from work. Clyde said he had a wonderful time and next year he hopes to spend his vacation at home and sit under his old apple tree.

Lois Johnson and her mother, Mrs. Mittie Johnson, Anna Katharine Dobson and Katharine Blake had lunch at Rocky Knob Park Saturday and later visited the Rev. and Mrs. W. D. Turner and family in Floyd, Va.

Minnie Martin is happy because her son-in-law, Bernard Jordan, is recovering so nicely from a heart operation he has just had at Georgetown University hospital in Washington, D. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Moody Davis and son Terry spent the week-end at Carolina Beach.

Nancy Duncan would like to thank everyone for the wonderful gifts she received at her bridal shower.

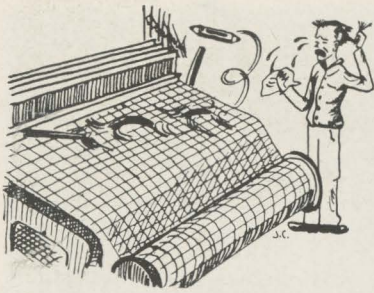
Mr. and Mrs. Gene Wooten spent a week with Harry Oliver and family in Clayton, Georgia. Their daughter Jane spent several weeks with the Olivers.

Mary Essex has returned to her home from City Memorial Hospital, Winston-Salem.

Ethel Myers, Elizabeth Brown, Katherine Ball, Estelle Byrd, Mary Rogers and Ruby Freeman spent the week-end with their other two sisters in Richmond, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom DeBorde and Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Tulbert spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Cooper in Pittsboro.

It does a man no good to sit up and take notice if he keeps on sitting.



WEAVING

B SHIFT

Reporter: Iva Lee Phillips

Mr. and Mrs. Ancil Dowell and family of Winston-Salem were the Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Seabon West.

Stella Bauguess and Gene and Neely Couch spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. George Brown in Richmond, Va. Mrs. Brown is a sister of Stella and Neely.

Mrs. Grace Church of Baltimore, Md., and Mrs. Ina Jennings and daughter Carol of State Road were the Sunday night supper guests of Addie and Ernest Shores.

Ohna and Buck Baity and daughter Jenny visited Mr. and Mrs. Preston Baity Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Edwards and family of Greensboro and Mr. and Mrs. Dan Reece of Yadkinville were the Sunday night supper guests of Beatrice and Ora Willard.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Flynn and family and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Tharpe and family had a picnic lunch at Washington Park, Winston-Salem, Sunday.

Phillip and Daphne Ray had as their Sunday dinner guests the Rev. and Mrs. N. C. Teague.

Grace and Calloway Hanes had as their guest last Sunday Grace's brother, Lonnie Lewis of Salisbury.

Minnie and Burley Day and sons spent the week-end in Winston-Salem visiting Burley's sister, Mrs. Dwight Holder and Mr. Holder.

Attie and Jim Young and Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Sidden and daughter Gloria picnicked at Cumberland Knob Sunday. They also motored to Pine Hall in the afternoon.

M/Sgt. and Mrs. Sam Gray of South Dakota were the Sunday night supper guests of Elmer and Mary Nell Morrison.

Brady Settle, Millard Settle and son and Jack Couch enjoyed a fishing trip to New River Saturday.

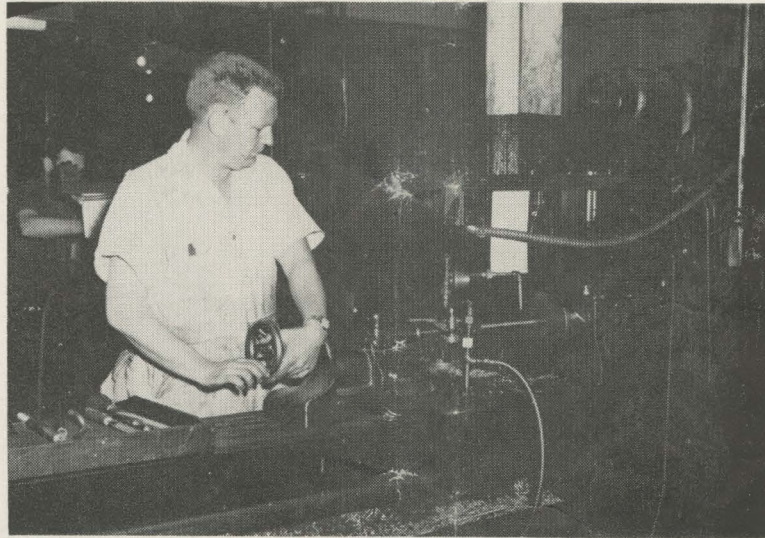
Mr. and Mrs. Welborn Couch visited Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Harpe at Brooks Cross Roads Sunday.

Edna Cleary spent the week-end in Harmony visiting her mother.

Hazel and Gaither Howell spent last Wednesday in South Boston, Va., where they attended the funeral of little Libby Howell, niece of Mr. Howell.

Casey Haynes is back to wrestling again after the match he had with the piccolo. Better be careful next time, Casey.

Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Ray and



HAROLD LEWIS in the Machine and Repair Shop is shown at his lathe as he apparently attempts to make a little shaft out of a big one. (Staff Photo)



WARNER HOOTS is replacing a cone of yarn on one of the "twisters" at the Worsted Plant. He is kept busy watching the yarns so that none of the cones will run entirely empty. (Staff Photo)



EMMA UNDERWOOD, the efficient nurse in the First Aid Clinic, is adjusting the heat on the diathermy apparatus to fit the needs of **Ralph Pardue**, Warp department, as he reclines tensely and uncomfortably on the diathermy table. (Staff Photo)

daughter Regina and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Alexander enjoyed a picnic supper at Reynolds Park in Winston-Salem Saturday night.

Gilmer Dunn says that he and Dot have just spent an enjoyable week attending revival services at Longtown Pentecostal Church.

FROM OUR FILES

15 Years Ago This Month

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Neaves entertained at a picnic supper at their newly completed picnic grounds in Westover Heights last Monday evening in honor of their guests, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Getzinger and children, Doris, Norman and Gordon of Detroit; Frank Baltz of Philadelphia; and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Butler and sons, Albert and Hugh of Winston-Salem.

Mr. and Mrs. David Gilliam, who have moved out on the Swan Creek Road, had as their Sunday afternoon guests Mr. and Mrs. John Triplett of Bethel, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Hamp Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher McBride and Miss Ethel Gilliam of Elkin.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Hodel have been visiting relatives in Minnesota.

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Stonestreet and Misses Ruby and Josephine Stonestreet visited relatives in Mooresville last Sunday. They were accompanied home by Misses Dean and Rachel Stonestreet.

Bob Newman bet on the Twins bill club last week and won. Joe Wood lost.

Dowell Smithy, chairman of the program committee of the TCU Club, has announced that Mr. Forrest H. Shuford, State Commissioner of Labor, has accepted an invitation to address the members of the club Monday evening, August 21.

We welcome to the Cloth department Pride Hoots, Nelson Dinkins and Sherrill Wooten.

The loom fixers of the B Shift entertained their families and a group of friends at a barbecue lunch and picnic at Bryan's Lake Tuesday, August 22. Swimming and boating were enjoyed.

Mr. P. M. Greene left August 17 to join Mrs. Greene at the summer home of an aunt, Mrs. D. B. Parkhurst, at Ogunquit, Maine. They will later visit their son, N. B. Greene, at Guilford, Conn., and will return to Elkin about September 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Layton Ligget, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Swaim and Miss Margaret Benton of Illinois were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Freeman.

Priscilla Howard spent the week-end with her mother, Mrs. Henry Howard, in Mocksville.

Bert and Iva Lee Phillips had as their week-end guests Bert's sister, Mrs. E. R. Phillips, Mr. Phillips and family of Graham.

We are happy to report that Mrs. Wendell Hayes, our foreman's wife, is at home from the hospital and is recuperating very nicely.

Fred Masten has always wanted a job that would allow him to sit down. How about it, Fred? Have you sat enough in the last week?



MULE SPINNING AND WINDING

C SHIFT

Reporter: Ann Holbrook

Little Sarah Southard and Mrs. Minnie Santy visited in the home of L. P. Dodson in North Wilkesboro last week.

We extend our heart-felt sympathy to Garland Mathis and his family in the death of their wife and mother August 16.

Ann Holbrook and son Roger, along with two sisters, Mrs. Hazel Renegar and Mrs. Helen Howell, and Mr. Howell spent the week end in Beaufort, South Carolina, visiting a brother, Pvt. Hubert Wooten, who is stationed with the Marines at Parris Island.

I think Thelma Davis would like to bring her air conditioner down here so she could have cool air around her winder. If she finds a way to bring it without Tom's finding it out, Polly Cooke wants a whiff or two of the cooling breeze, also.

Leanna Harris and Viola Martin said they didn't have any news—don't get around much anymore.

Ruby Sloop had some news, but she said it wouldn't do to try and print it in the paper. When Ruby Combs heard that she said, "law, my life is an open book. You can write it all if you want to." That's an idea, but who would buy and read the book?

Helen Brandon told me to wait until she had her name on the court docket for assault and battery—or some such charge—and that would be news. And from the way she looked and talked—mad!—I reckon it won't be too long. She really has it in for a certain fellow in the Spinning department, calling no names of course, but a word to the wise is sufficient, they say. Go to it—we haven't seen a good fight in a long time.

Eva Macy has no time to go any where, with her tobacco to take care of. But when it's sold, watch her go to town with all that money.

Tinker Transou doesn't have tobacco to take care of, so I don't know her excuse for not going any where. No money, maybe, with these five day checks.

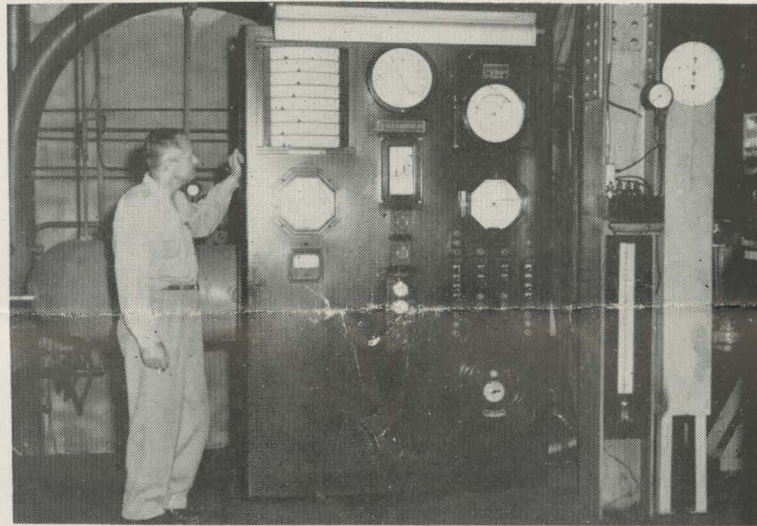
Mabel Southard has been harvesting her "poultry patch," or is that what you do? Anyway, I heard her say she had been fixing chickens to put in her freezer.

Anne Nance and Juanita Stokes hadn't been anywhere, either.

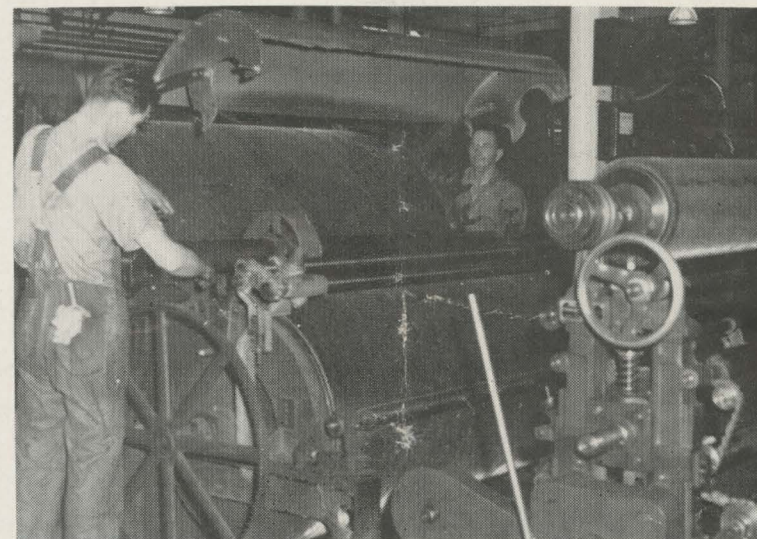
Esther Church told me to make up something for her, but not anything bad. Can't do it, gal, can't do it!



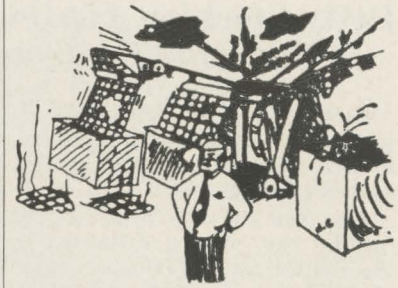
ARLENE ROSS, standing beside one of the machines at the Worsted Plant, appears proud of the huge cones of worsted yarn she is responsible for. Her stance is accidental, and in no way approximates her usual graceful and attractive appearance.



CLYDE HALL, Power Plant Superintendent, is standing beside one of the instrument boards in the control room of the power plant. Some of the huge steam turbines may be seen on each side of the instrument board. (Staff Photo)



MARCUS MYERS, left, and BOB CARTER, are operating a card-grinding apparatus as it grinds to the proper angle the thousands of wires on a cylinder of one of the big wool carding machines. (Staff Photo)



NAPPING

Reporter: Ruth Overcash

It has been reported that Robert McCann and Jess Wooten like chewing gum, especially spearmint. How about it, boys?

Vera Wilmoth looks as if she has lost her best friends since husband Earl is in Canada harvesting tobacco. Cheer up, Vera, you won't be a widow for long!

Opal and Jones Darnell spent Sunday in the mountains.

Leroy Transou and Jack Adams are playing a game called "I've Got A Secret." Just give us time, boys, and we will guess it.

Jennie and Janie Sherrill spent the week-end at Atlantic Beach. They report a nice trip.

Walter Nations and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. James Nations at their home in Jonesville.

Paul and Ola Dobbins attended the car races in Winston-Salem Saturday evening.

Harvey Smith and family spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Smith of the Benham community. Harvey's brother, Sgt. Frank B. Smith, has just returned to his home after spending 18 months in Korea.

Ernest Swaim attended the car races in Winston-Salem Saturday evening.

Benny Ray Adams, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Adams, appeared on TV Channel 12 on the program known as "Round Up Time" last Monday afternoon.

Walter Durham is a wrestling fan. He motored to Lexington Saturday evening to see the wrestling match in person. To hear him tell it, his time and money were well spent.

Two fellows were building a house. One of them kept picking up nails and looking at them carefully, and he threw away about half of them.

"Why are you throwing away some of those nails?" the other asked.

"Because some of them have heads on the wrong end."

"You fool, those are for the other side of the house."

First Boy: "My father is a very brave man. He killed five lions and an elephant in Africa, single-handed."

Second Boy: "That's nothing. My father bought a red car when my mother wanted a blue one."

Speaking without thinking is like shooting without aiming.

Betty Stockton Tops In Snapshot Contest

Betty Stockton, Personnel department, captured double honors in the vacation snapshot contest sponsored by the TCU club.

She won the top prize of \$10 for the best picture submitted in the contest and a first place prize of \$5.00 for the best picture in the vacation at the seashore classification.

Edwin DeJournette, Warp department, won first place for his entry in the vacation in the mountains group.

C. C. Poindexter, retired, won first place for a shot of a vacation at home.

A photo of Niagara Falls won a first place prize for Paul Luffman, Weave, in the miscellaneous group.

Polly Price Wins Duke Scholarship

Polly Price, who has been employed in Standards this summer, has been notified that she has been awarded a two hundred dollar scholarship at Duke University, Durham, where she will be a sophomore for the 1954-55 school year. The award was made on the basis of her record at Duke last year.

Polly learned last spring that she had won the scholarship given annually by Delta Delta Delta. This award is valued at \$125.



THE GROUP ABOVE composed the entire force at the old Elkin Cotton Mill about 1907. Left to right are, Bob Billings, Glenn Martin, Cage Atkins, Ida Chatman (later Mrs. Cage Atkins), John Minish, superintendent, Etta Collins (later Mrs. Luther Darnell), John Atkins, Montgomery Minish, Laura Couch (later Mrs. Ick Windsor), Lee Brown, Annie Burcham, Grover Hinson, Annie Spencer West, Frank Darnell and Rebecca Hamby. Bob Billings, Cage Atkins and Frank Darnell were not employees at the time, but were just passersby, and were asked to get in the picture. This photo was furnished the Blanketeer by Mrs. Luther Darnell, whose late husband was at the time of his death a member of the Elkin Police Force. For many years this little cotton mill carded cotton and made cotton warp for the old Chatham plant that stood down near the Yadkin River.



PVT. JACKIE P. (SONNY) DAY, a son of Joe Day, Binding, and Mrs. Day, has been awarded the Physical Fitness trophy of Company A, 1st Military Police Training Regiment at Camp Gordon, Georgia. Jackie scored 436 out of 500 points during his eight weeks of training. He is a graduate of Jonesville high school, where he played football and basketball, and was a member of the football squad at Catawba College, Salisbury.



BURLING NO. 2

Reporter: Mildred Luffman

Hattie Feimster of Winston-Salem spent several days last week with Clyde Shugart and Lizzie Wright.

We are glad to have Mattie Spicer, Clyde Shugart, Buck Tullock and Gib Pardue back on A Shift.

We hear that Buck Tullock is very fond of green beans. What about this, Buck? Is it beans or apples?

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Sebastian of Martinsville, Virginia, and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Blackburn of North Wilkesboro were guests Sunday of Mud Sebastian.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kennedy and children, Mr. and Mrs. Van Kennedy and Doff Kennedy enjoyed a delicious meal cooked at Wildcat Rock Saturday night.

Mildred Luffman visited Louise and Junior Mahaffey and son Stevie in Winston-Salem Saturday.

Clyde Shugart and Mr. and Mrs. Dick Norman and son David spent Sunday afternoon in Win-

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Department	Date of last Accident	Man-Hours Thru August 5, 1954
NAPPING	November 24, 1943	2,672,911
SPINNING	August 17, 1951	2,389,900
CLOTH	January 15, 1941	1,771,249
WEAVING	May 13, 1953	1,028,337
PACKING	October 25, 1944	1,010,148
SHOP	July 9, 1949	1,006,796
BINDING	February 4, 1952	879,690
DYE HOUSE	July 15, 1949	751,724
WARP	September 12, 1950	684,207
WOOL	June 15, 1950	604,884
BURLING	January 11, 1952	582,385
WASTE	December 4, 1947	579,536
WINDING	December 29, 1950	358,438
COMMISSARY	January 11, 1946	324,591
OUTSIDE	February 18, 1947	284,039
SHIPPING	October 22, 1952	276,582
POWER PLANT	September 9, 1947	258,897
ELECTRIC	March 22, 1944	249,754
WORSTED		248,224
PIECE DYE	May 22, 1952	206,717
PRINTING	January 15, 1951	167,885
RECEIVING	September 2, 1941	158,838
WET FINISH	October 21, 1953	156,544
WOOL ROOM NO. 2	April 17, 1952	105,696
SCOURING	May 6, 1952	98,765
PICKER	February 11, 1953	66,737

ston-Salem visiting Mr. and Mrs. Reece Shugart and family.

Gennie Vestal and a group of friends spent last week-end at Myrtle Beach, S. C. She reports a wonderful time.

The best way to train a child in the way he should go is to go that way yourself.

Some people believe everything you tell them — if you whisper it.