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PAUL CHOATE, of the Camp Butler community, and one of his neighbors are preparing to take 75 pounds of honey from this bee tree in Alleghany County. Gathering wild honey is quite an occasion in our mountain counties. (Photo by Walt Burgiss)

Incomplete Returns List \$7,336.25 For United Fund Pledges

Chatham employees had pledged \$7,336.25 to the United Fund campaign at noon last Wednesday, the latest report available for this issue of the *Blanketeer*. The campaign ended Saturday, October 30, and final tabulations are expected to be completed this week.

Fred C. Norman, co-chairman of the plant campaign, reported that participation had been 100 per cent

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Gathering Wild Honey Means Hard Work, But "Good Eating"

By Walt Burgiss

To the people of our mountain counties, wild honey gathering is quite an occasion, and of course provides mighty good eating for the long winter months.

From the time the bees are first "coursed" from their watering places, or feeding places, to the little hole in a large hollow tree, can sometimes mean a lot of walking, looking, climbing through

brush and thickets, and over rocks, logs and many other obstructions. Finally, the bees are seen to go to one special tree and into a little hole sometimes 10 feet from the ground, and more often a lot higher.

The finder of a "bee tree" marks it with an X cut in the bark with an axe. The code of ethics among

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YMCA Offers Sports Program For Women

The Gilvin Roth YMCA invites all women employees to join gym classes to be conducted weekly Wednesday nights from 7:30 to 9 o'clock. The varied program includes skating, bowling, volleyball, calisthenics, basketball, ping pong and badminton.

Betty Wilfong, YMCA girls' work secretary, will be in charge of the women's gym periods. She said that in addition to the gym program the YMCA would like to

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Selected Quotes

By A. Clipper

Don't expect too much—or too little.

There's a dearth of mirth on the earth.

The burning question about the future is how much of it there'll be.

What you hear is never quite as interesting as what you overhear.

Most people can keep a secret; it's the folks they tell it to who can't.

Any woman who agrees that life begins at forty wasn't born yesterday.

If people descended from monkeys, why didn't they come all the way.

Speak when angry and you'll make the best speech you'll ever regret.

It's much better to have something on the ball than something on the boss.

What the average driver needs is a transmission that shifts the blame.

Most parties for young children turn out to be a howling success.

The woman who doesn't drive an auto doesn't know what she's missing.

If you never stick your neck out you'll never get your head above the crowd.

A good reputation is often nothing more than proof that you can keep a secret.

For every schoolboy with the spark of genius there are a dozen with ignition trouble.

Child guidance is what more and more parents are getting from their children today.

Some people get carried away with the sound of their own voices—but not far enough.

Lack of something to feel important about is almost the greatest tragedy a man can have.

Real Estate Sign—"This is truly a restricted development. No one is allowed to build a house they can afford."

An old-timer is one who remembers when the average father knew all the answers to his youngster's questions.

Familiar Faces

By Ex-Gum

We all get up on the wrong side of the bed sometimes (we could mention some names, but we won't this time), but there's an art to not showing it.

We all have those days when everything goes wrong. The papers and newscasters fill us with gloom. The toast is burned and the coffee tastes pretty bad. By the time breakfast is halfway through it's a terrible day, though the sun may be shining and the birds singing. It's a day when nothing goes right and petty annoyances can easily become major calamities.

The causes of these depressed days are usually self-made; we didn't go to bed early enough; we've worried too much over petty problems; we've let a lot of bad temper build up until it explodes into a "bad mood," we've let fear take over.

Low spirits or personal anxieties do not give us any special right to "take it out" on others. Yet this is the day the file clerk gets it for not being a mind reader, or the children are snapped at for no more than their usual confusion in getting off to school.

When the world's gone sour it isn't easy to remember that others aren't to blame. But it's the time when counting 10 or even 100 is important—for when we are in those snappish moods, hasty statements, unkind words, harsh judgements are likely to burst out, and the aftermath can be very unpleasant.

Serious breaches in friendship can grow out of self-indulgence when we're in "a mood." Other people, bewildered by our bursts of ill temper, are hurt or angry, and molehills become mountains. Then, a few hours later, we start to wonder why our friends are acting so strangely.

Nobody, of course, can be bright and cheerful every day—that would be dull anyway—but it's only fair to admit to ourselves that we are in a mood, that everyone else isn't necessarily stupid or pigheaded, and that maybe we'd better wait a few moments before speaking.

It may be difficult to repress ill feelings, but at such a time we think it's necessary, unless, of course, we enjoy being disliked.

APPRECIATION

One of the most neglected virtues of our daily existence is appreciation. Somehow, we neglect to praise Junior when he brings home a good report card, and we fail to encourage Mary when she first succeeds in cake baking. Nothing pleases children more than this kind of parental interest and approval.

The next time you enjoy filet mignon at the club, send word to the chef that it was excellently prepared, and when a tired salesgirl shows you unusual courtesy, please tell her so.

Every minister, lecturer and public speaker knows the discouragement of pouring himself out to an audience and not receiving a single ripple of appreciative comment. What applies to professionals applies doubly to workers in offices, shops and factories. In our working relations we should never forget that all of our associates are human beings who hunger for appreciation. It is the legal tender that all souls enjoy.

Try leaving a friendly trail of little sparks of gratitude on your daily trips. You will be surprised how they will set small flames of friendship that will be rosebeacons on your next visit.

Remember, appreciation, whether of nature, of books, or art, or service, is veneration of the worthy efforts of our fellow man.

(The above articles are quoted from the little magazine "Pipe Dreams").

The three oldest automobile concerns still in existence in the United States are Oldsmobile, Packard and Studebaker.

There are three kinds of people: those who make things happen, those who watch things happen, and those who have no idea what has happened.

A man usually considers the Sunday sermon a success when he feels that the minister wasn't referring directly to him.

The hardest job an independent man has today is trying to keep the government from taking care of him.



'POSSUM TROT HOLLOW

By Mr. Whopper

Well sir, howdy folks. This here is your Possum Trot news reporter talking at you again. Well sir, everybody, including me and myself, air still excited about that thar mystery woman a-coming into Possum Trot tother day. Well sir, now you might have already heard about her. I'm shore her name was Hazel, but sir I ain't seen nobody who seed her. She came that thar day it wuz a-rain-ing so hard. And sir, most of the men—and I reckon I'm one, too—well sir, as I said, we men all got soaking wet a-slipping up and down the back alleys a-trying to see if'n we could see her when she arrived and got thar. Well sir, my gal Miss Martha Pearl got so mad over me a-trying to find Hazel that she ain't spoken to me since. Martha Pearl said all she had wuz a big name and she wouldn't to of had that if'n people hadn't to of started blowing about her.

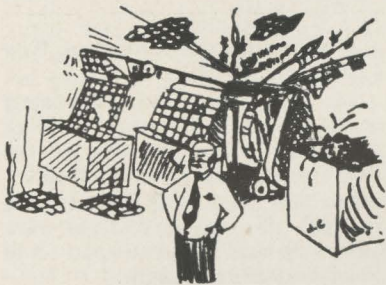
Well sir, since it has cleared off it shore has been nice hunting and fishing weather here in Possum Trot. Me and Cousin Jake went to the mill tother day to get our meal ground. And sir, thar wuz three big wild ducks a-floating around thar on the mill pond. We didn't have no gun along, so Cousin Jake dived in the water under the ducks and caught all three of 'em by the legs. Well sir, as he swam out with the ducks his shirt came open at the collar, and sir, five 10-pound fish went in. And sir, the fish wuz about to tickle Jake to death by the time he got to the edge of the bank. As he reached up and took hold of an elder bush to pull himself out'n the water, the weight of the fish put such a strain on Jake's shirt that a button snapped off and hit a rabbit betwixt the eyes and killed it right where it wuz a-settin' thar beside a big sassa-frass stump.

Good-by and happy hunting to you all.

Fellowship Club Has Quilting Bee

An old-time quilting bee was enjoyed by the Fellowship club which met in an all-day session Tuesday, October 19, at the Club House. Time out from quilting was called at noon when a covered dish dinner was served to the 25 present.

Club members are making two quilts as a project to raise funds for their welfare program, as has been customary during the past few years. Chances will be sold and the ones who hold the lucky numbers will win the quilts. They will be on display in the booth of the Fellowship club at the Junior Woman's Club bazaar November 19 at the YMCA.



NAPPING

Reporter: Ruth Overcash

I think some of the gang is holding out on me about what they did over the week-end. In a round about way I heard that Izora Rose was seen along the Parkway near Blowing Rock. I also heard that



QUILTING IS SLOWLY becoming a lost art, but many of the Fellowship Club members are old-time masters of the craft and always enjoy getting together for a quilting bee. Shown at the all-day session October 19 at the Club House are left to right: Mrs. Will Vestal, a special guest; Bettie Gambill, Callie Foster, Bertha Davis, Zada Payne, Diana Hemric, Emma Emerson, Alice Vestal and Mittie Johnson. (Tribune Photo)

Floyd Shoaf and family went on a mountain trip Sunday.

It's good to have Page Branon back with us. He was on the sick list last week.

James Nations and family of Jonesville spent Sunday with Walter Nations and family.

John Swartzel gave me a bit of news this week. John has a brother, Harvey Swartzel, who lives in Roanoke, Virginia. So, John and son Herman spent Sunday in Roanoke visiting his brother.

Vernice, Ralph and Harriett Hampton, accompanied by John and Maggie March, spent Sunday with Lois Hampton who is a student of Allen high school in Asheville. Sunday evening Ralph and Vernice attended the Allen high school PTA meeting.

Tom and Fern Hayes spent Sunday afternoon visiting friends in Winston-Salem.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Darnell were Sunday guests of Ray Lawrence and family. They all enjoyed a sight-seeing trip on the Parkway.

O'Brien Hayes and family spent Sunday afternoon visiting his brother, Robert Hayes and family in Yadkinville.

Francis Jarvis attended the circus in Winston-Salem last week. He gave me some of the details of the evening and according to him he had a "wonderful time."

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Mooney and sons Harold and Gary were Sunday guests of Mack and Ruth Overcash.



CLARA JANE DOBBINS was honored on her seventeenth birthday anniversary September 27 at a party given by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Shepherd Dobbins, at their home in Dobson. Games and dancing were enjoyed and birthday cake with colas was served to the 36 guests present. Mr. and Mrs. Gene Wooten of Elkin assisted in entertaining. Mr. Dobbins is an employee of the Packing department.

SAFETY HONOR ROLL . . . 1954

Department	Date Of Last Accident	Man-Hours Thru October 14, 1954
NAPPING	November 24, 1943	2,710,228
CLOTH	January 15, 1941	1,803,570
WEAVE	May 13, 1953	1,207,863
PACKING	October, 25 1944	1,027,819
BINDING	February 4, 1952	933,502
DYE HOUSE	July 15, 1949	761,646
BURLING	January 11, 1952	632,955
WOOL	June 15, 1950	618,339
WASTE	December 4, 1947	586,032
WINDING	December 29, 1950	377,392
COMMISSARY	January 11, 1946	329,239
SHIPPING	October 22, 1952	309,394
WORSTED		292,867
OUTSIDE	February 18, 1947	287,743
POWER PLANT	September 9, 1947	266,142
ELECTRIC	March 22, 1944	254,150
WET FINISH	October 21, 1953	196,759
PRINTING	January 15, 1951	170,333
RECEIVING	September 2, 1941	161,561
WOOL ROOM No. 2	April 17, 1952	111,482
SCOURING	May 6, 1952	103,375
PICKER	February 11, 1953	72,604

LHC Club No. 2 Has Halloween Party

LHC Club No. 2 had a Halloween party Thursday, October 14, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Reece in Jonesville. Games and contests were directed by Dot Hanks. Vena Darnell, president, presided over the business session.

Hostesses for the meeting were Sallie Smith, Bessie McGrady, Edith Maines and Dot Hanks.

Burling Club Women Install Officers

New officers for this year were installed at the monthly meeting of the Burling club at the YMCA, Thursday, October 28. Those installed were Bertha Hudspeth, president; Lala Simmons, vice president; Mary Etta York, secretary; and Ruby Pardue, treasurer. Anna Katharine Dobson conducted the installation.



BURLING

A SHIFT

Reporter: Ruby Pardue

Mr. and Mrs. Reece Bryant and family were Sunday afternoon guests of Myrtle Cockerham and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Byrd and children of Jacksonville, Florida, are visiting Ruth and Howard Brown and other relatives here.

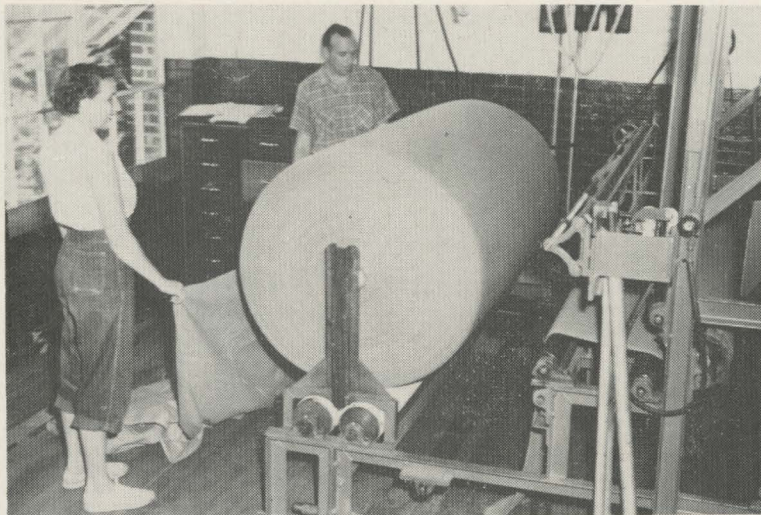
Mr. and Mrs. Kelly Ray and family attended the homecoming at Poplar Springs Sunday. Kelly says he ate so much he doesn't think he will get hungry again any time soon.

Sarah Lee Cockerham, student at Pilgrim Bible School, Kernersville, spent the week-end with her parents, Myrtle and Foley Cockerham.

Louise Russell and her mother, Mrs. Ray Russell, visited Gladys Cheek Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Freeman spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Harold Freeman in Wilmington.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dock Wagoner for a family dinner Sunday were Maude and Hugh Hayes and son, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Prevette of Bassett, Virginia, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ward of Spencer, Virginia, Mr. and Mrs.



VERA WILMOTH seems to be arguing with ROBERT McCANN about the way to wrap this huge roll of women's apparel material. Guess who won! (Staff Photo)

Frank Bradley of Fieldale, Virginia, Mr. and Mrs. Delos Bumgarner of North Wilkesboro, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Bumgarner and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Owens of Millers Creek and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Lyons of Traphill.

Mr. and Mrs. Dub Johnson and son of Clemson, South Carolina, were week-end guests of Ina and Evan Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Lewis and Ruby Pardue and children spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Pardue in Boonville.

Anybody interested in buying a good coon dog, see John Cockerham, A Shift, Burling department.

We extend our sympathy to Candice Brown whose sister-in-law, Mrs. Claude Brinegar, was killed in an auto accident last week.

B SHIFT

Reporter: Mae Dockery

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Mandeville and children of Asheville spent the week-end with Betty Pennell and family.

Gladys Myers had as her Sunday guests Mr. and Mrs. N. F. Seagraves and children of Winston-Salem.

Pauline, Harold and Stevie Bell and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cheek spent Sunday afternoon in Burlington.

Marie and Dewey Shores, the Rev. Lonnie Fleming and Mrs. Fleming had dinner Sunday with Mrs. Pearl Hanes.

Helen Lawrence and Thelma and Tom Davis attended the fair in Winston-Salem Saturday night. Emma Groce had as her week-

In Memoriam

NANCY W. BURCHAM

October 13
Retired Chatham employee
Wife of Arthur Burcham
Wet Finishing department

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GILDA LYNN BILLINGS

October 23
Daughter of Louise Billings
Binding department

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LUCILLE M. PITTS

October 24
Sister of Collie Hanks
Binding department
Sister of Jody Mathis
Piece Dye
Sister of Montgomery Mathis
Spinning department

end guests her son Benny of Winston-Salem.

Ina McBride is all smiles after getting a telephone call from her son Parks who is serving in the Air Force in Denver, Colorado.

The Rev. and Mrs. E. P. Caudle and the Rev. Irvin Wallace were dinner guests of Bob and Etta Newman Saturday night.

We are glad to have Ruby Brown, Louise Moody and Helen Lawrence working with us.

You can get at least five extra miles per gallon of gas by shifting into high gear by the time you reach 15 miles per hour, avoiding "jack rabbit" starts, avoiding sudden stops, easing through traffic patiently and keeping the gas tank filled.



HOW MANY DO YOU KNOW? These are the Packing and Shipping department employees in 1931 when this part of the plant was in Winston-Salem. Left to right, standing: E. T. Shamel, Clifton Leary, Elmer White (deceased), Roby Durham, Bill Golden (deceased), Harold Lewis, unidentified, Harry Dauernheim, Worth McAlister, Robert Boles, Wilburn Hines, Gray Styers, unidentified, Bill Byrd, Guy Fletcher, Jim Boles, George Adams, Jessie Livengood, Fred Ogburn, Bill Pettyjohn, Phil Masencup (deceased), Arthur Cranfill, Wade Smitherman (deceased),

Gathering Wild Honey Means Hard Work

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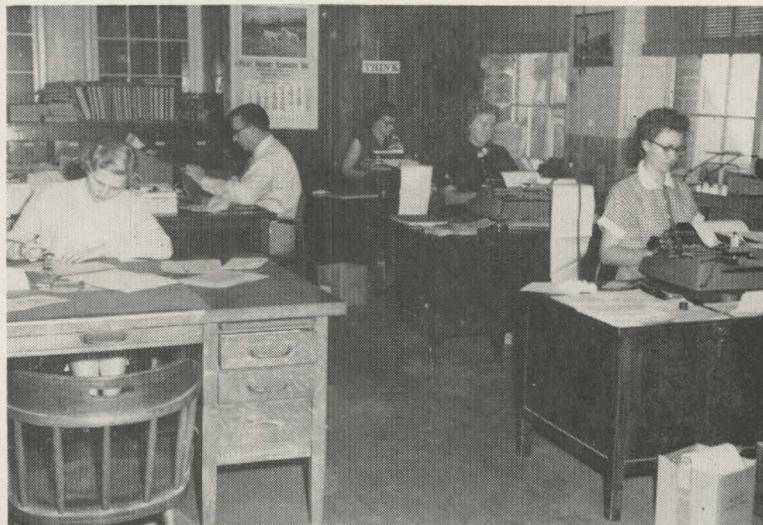
bee hunters says that no one else will cut that tree. The finder returns at his convenience, and that is where this story starts.

The day arrives. Loaded down with an axe, power saw, smoker and a few cotton rags to burn in it, two or three empty lard cans, butcher knife, a "bee veil," coveralls, heavy gloves, etc., the hunters set out for the tree. In some cases they can drive close to the tree, in others the equipment must be carried to the job and the honey carried out. Lugging all this stuff half a mile, or more, makes the honey taste mighty good.

The tree is cut and allowed to fall up hill so that the shock will not break up the heavy comb. The branches and underbrush are cleared away. Doing all this while wearing all the bee protection can be a hot job in warm weather. Saw cuts about a foot apart across the tree allow the hunter to chip off the hollow shell of the tree, and there is the honey, in most cases.

Sometimes all the work is done for nothing. The tree shown here gave up 75 pounds of comb honey.

After the usable honey has been removed, the trunk is laid back to partially cover the hollow. The bees, in most cases, will have enough left to survive the winter and will make off for a new location next year. Sometimes a hungry bear will find the fallen tree and clean out all that the hunter



EVERYBODY IS BUSY in the Shipping department office. Left to right are: Loretta Hunter, Clyde Carroll, Mae Cockerham, Jeanette Swaim and Naomi Thompson. The "Think" sign on the wall in the background is for the benefit of another group who face in that direction. (Staff Photo)

left, and of course the bees will not survive.

For the benefit of camera fans, the picture was made from a "safe" distance with a 135 MM telephoto lens on 35 MM Kodachrome color film. A black and white negative was made from the 2 x 2 slide shot of this photo by enlarging onto a plus X film pack, and then the 8 x 10 print was made from the negative.

The trouble with life is that opportunity knocks but once, while temptation is hammering away all the time.

The habit of going to the bottom of things often lands a man on top.

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in many sections of the plant where pledges had been completed. He listed those as: C Shift Spinning department, A and C Shifts Carding, C Shift Rewinding, Dye House, Outside Force, Commissary, Picker Room, C Shift Napping, Print Shop, C Shift Worsted, Production Office, Research Laboratory, Cloth Design, IBM department, Standards and Napping No. 2.



BURLING NO. 2

Reporter: Mildred Luffman

Mr. and Mrs. James Smith and daughter Sherry and "Mud" Sebastian spent Sunday in Bassett, Virginia, visiting Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Shore.

Wilma Mounce attended the homecoming dinner Sunday at Salem Fork Church of Christ.

Mrs. Watt Deal of Statesville visited Margie Finney Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kennedy and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Bahn Shore Sunday.

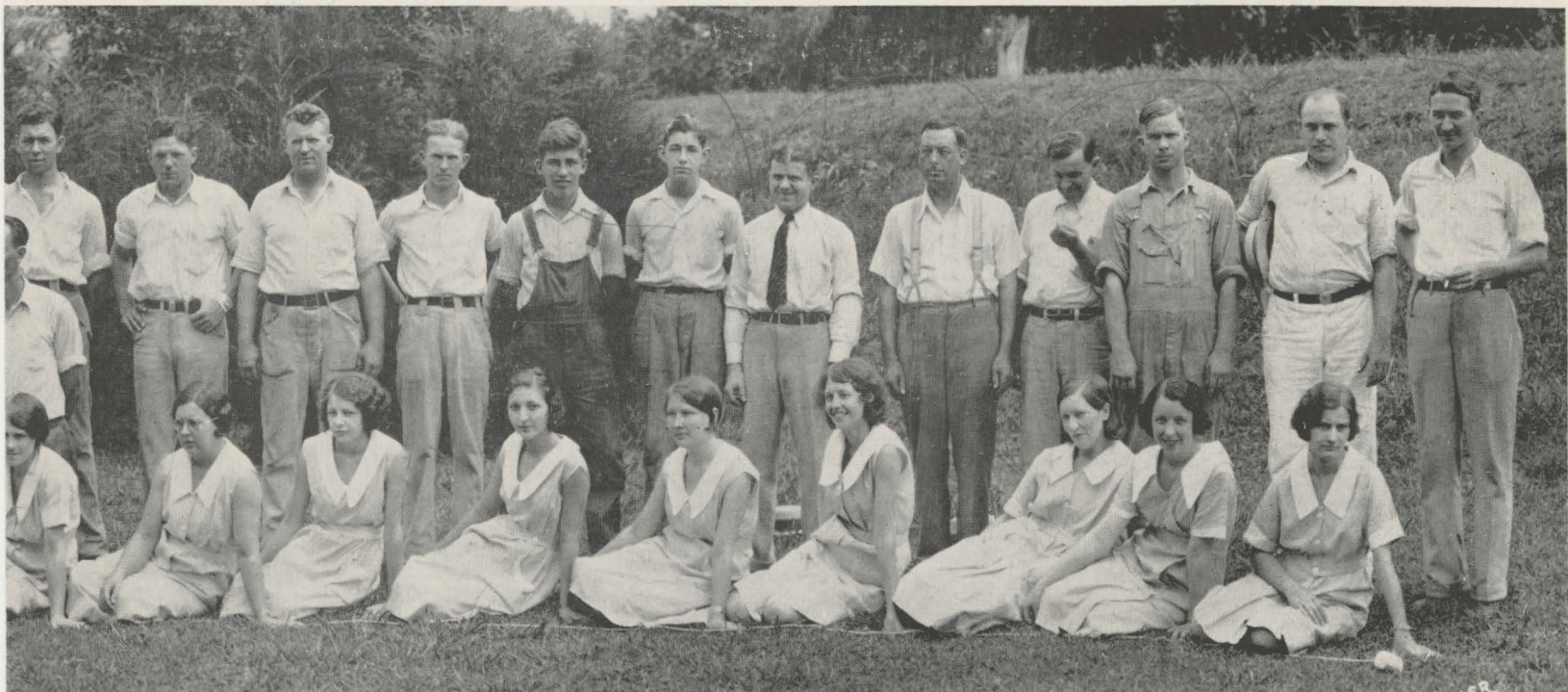
Lizzie Wright was the Tuesday night supper guest of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Madison.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Norman and children and Clyde Shugart visited Mrs. H. W. Feimster Sunday afternoon in Winston-Salem.

A 3/C James Spicer of the USAF is spending a 30-day leave with his family. He will report to Camp Kilmer, New Jersey, November 5 for an overseas assignment.

Mr. and Mrs. David Reece and son of Atlanta, Georgia, have been visiting Norma Reece.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Combs and children attended a birthday dinner Sunday for Mrs. Martha Jane Blevins who was celebrating her 85th birthday anniversary.



Gaither White, Hobson Shermer and Lee Ketner; second row: Raymond Sprinkle, Clarence Bell, Ralph Gentry, Hardin Adams, Gene Boose, Lewis Petree and Harvey Wishon, who brought this picture to the Blanketeer; front row: Mozelle DeHart, Dorothy Yow, Pluma Boles, Ruth Johnson, Lena Peoples, Nobie Cranfill, unidentified, Anne Sutton, Vera Briggs, Crystal Bell, Hettie Banner, Gladys Scott, Bernice Adams, Naomi Yow, Sue Deal, Bertha McCormick, Hallie Eldridge and Ivalee Blanton.



MRS. LEWIS J. THARPE

Norma Sue Haynes Is Bride Of L. J. Tharpe

Norma Sue Haynes and Lewis Johnson Tharpe were married Tuesday, October 5, at Forestville Baptist Church, Wake Forest. The Rev. R. J. Hogan, former pastor of the bride, performed the double ring ceremony.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hayes Haynes, the former a member of the Gate Force. The bridegroom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Tharpe of Ronda.

A program of wedding music was presented by Mrs. R. J. Hogan. The bride wore a ciel blue suit with navy and white accessories. Her corsage was an orchid.

Mrs. Tharpe is a graduate of Jonesville high school. Mr. Tharpe attended Ronda high school and is now stationed in Texas with the Army.



ALL DRESSED UP FOR the masquerade party given by Lucy Hanes Chatham Club No. 2 are, left to right: Vena Darnell, club president, Mabel Sparks and Ethel Spencer. (Photo by Anna Katharine Dobson)



BINDING

Reporter: Odessa Vestal

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Lane, Oakland Drive, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Pardue. E. D. is expecting to be invited to the next fish fry the Young Democrats of Wilkes County have.

Thelma Royall has given up all hope of learning to drive an automobile, but according to rumors, if there is ever a horse show in Elkin, she will be the "First Lady" in horseback riding.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Swaim and daughter Carol spent the week-end in High Point visiting Mr. and Mrs. Robert Luffman.

Bill Pardue of Charleston, S. C., spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Free Pardue.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Joines had dinner with Mr. and Mrs. George Bridges Sunday in Winston-Salem.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Long have just returned from a vacation trip in Florida. On their way home they came in contact with hurricane Hazel at Myrtle Beach, S. C.

Mr. and Mrs. George Sale and Barbara Jean and Sandra Kay Sale attended the Wake Forest-UNC football game at Chapel Hill.

As the hunting season opens again, we find our boss Nig Plaster and Shirley Chappell away down at Crutchfield squirrel hunting. It seems "Tenderfoot" Chappell knew all the places the squirrels hide, so he was showing Nig around. As the sun went down Shirley found he was like the "preacher and the bear." He had taken the wrong trail and was lost. He kept shooting, hoping for an answer, but Nig, hearing the shots, thought Shirley was bringing home

Binding Women Have First Birthday Party

The first birthday party of the Binding club was celebrated Tuesday night, October 26, with a tacky party at the LHC Club House. Club members came dressed in costumes from the gay nineties, flapper era and "unknown" periods. Prizes were awarded to Mary Jurney, Juanita Eldridge and Imogene Pardue for the tackiest costumes.

Officers for the coming year were elected during the business session. Those chosen were Odessa Vestal, president; Myra Osborne, vice president; Hazel Sale, secretary; Ethel Myers, treasurer; and Mellon Walls, welfare chairman.

Jane Wooten gave the devotional. Several selections were sung by a quartet of boys from Fall Creek Baptist Church, accompanied at the piano by Sherrill Groce. The members of the quartet are Jerry Henderson, Ivey Gray Vestal, Leonard Groce and Donald Groce.

Birthday remembrances were presented by Alma Porter to Ethel Myers, Juanita Eldridge, Verna Gentry, Coetta Trivette, Virgie Swaim and Anna Katharine Dobson, all of whom celebrated birthdays in October.

Decorations were fall leaves, pumpkins, and jack-o-lanterns. Hostesses were the retiring officers. The refreshment course consisted of individual birthday cakes with a candle on each.

If at first you don't succeed, try again, and then quit. No sense in being stubborn.

the meat and to prove that he had the patience of Job, he sat down to wait for him. At last Shirley came riding up in a late model car driven by a guide he had hired to bring him back. Do you think Shirley was scared? Not in the least, because he had his gun along.



MULE SPINNING AND WINDING

C SHIFT

Reporter: Ann Holbrook

Hope the ghosts and goblins didn't bother any of you. Or are we too old to believe in such things? What's the saying? "You don't stop playing because you grow old, you grow old because you stop playing." If that be the case, some of 'em around here will live forever!

Would you call it a sign of-uh-middle age—when one gets nervous and sorta scared to drive alone at night? That's how Eva Macy is. Of course she makes like that little kitten got into her car by mistake before she left home, but Gent Walsh seems to think she takes it along for either protection or company. Personally, I'm not at all sure Denver Poplin didn't bring it to her and, knowing he couldn't bring it in the gate, left it in her car.

Gent's sister, Maude Walsh, is still in the hospital, but he said she is "doing fine" and will probably get to come home soon.

We are glad to have Lucille Laster with us on the winders. Sunday she and husband Charles visited his brother, Clee Laster, and Mrs. Laster in Salisbury.

Mr. and Mrs. Worth Money had as guests Sunday their daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Asburne of Greensboro.

Raymond Tubert is going around with a sore finger. A mule

Yarboro-Day Vows Spoken October 17

Mrs. Cora Howell Day and E. F. Yarboro were married at noon Sunday, October 17, at the Pleasant Hill Baptist Church.

The Rev. N. C. Teague, pastor, performed the ceremony in the presence of members of the families and close friends of the couple.

Mr. and Mrs. Yarboro have returned from a wedding trip and are making their home in the Pleasant Hill community. Mr. Yarboro is a Carding department supervisor.

bit it, I hear. As many years as he has worked around those mules, you'd think he would be more careful. Another fellow who has to learn the hard way, I guess.

Jabo Hall has gotten to the place that every time he sees me coming—before I even open my big mouth—he says "I ain't got no money!"

Parks Mathis is on the midnight shift for a while. I asked him about it and he said he had to get this place straightened out—working six days again. Worth Reece, who is taking Parks's place on daytime, no doubt thinks he is responsible for our working full time last week. Two to one, neither one of them had anything to do with it!

Here's a good one on Esther Church. One day last week someone noticed how she was reducing—lost about three pounds, I think, getting a real streamlined figure. And come to find out, they were having a birthday dinner for her father Sunday and she was starving herself all week so she could eat more. There went her figure—about six pounds more this week.

Bowman-DeBorde Vows Spoken In Formal Church Ceremony

The marriage of Betty Ann DeBorde and John Victor Bowman of Corning, New York, was solemnized Saturday, October 16, at 7 o'clock in the evening at Elkin Valley Baptist Church. The Rev. J. C. Gwaltney performed the ceremony.

The bride is the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas C. DeBorde, Shop and Binding, respectively. The bridegroom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Thompson Bowman of Hamorton, Pennsylvania.

Mrs. Livingston Williams, pianist, and Vivian Jenkins, vocalist, presented a prelude of wedding music.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a formal gown of Chantilly lace fashioned with an Elizabethan collar, close fitting waist with long sleeves tapering into points and voluminous skirt extending into a cathedral train. Her three tiered veil of illusion was caught to a Juliet cap of matching lace appliqued with lace medallions. She carried a bouquet of white chrysanthemums showered with stephanotis and ivy.

Mrs. Sammy DeBorde of Jacksonville, Florida, sister-in-law of the bride, was matron of honor. Her gown was of jewel tone iridescent taffeta and nylon net styled with cape stole and bouffant skirt with a bustle. Her headdress was a matching bandeau of taffeta trimmed with a ruffle of green illusion. She carried an arm bouquet of bronze chrysanthemums.

Bridesmaids were Mrs. Bradford Bowman of Chadds Ford, Pennsylvania, sister-in-law of the bridegroom; Mrs. Harold Hinson, Mrs. Wilburn Goodman, Carolyn Freeman and Polly Bivins, all of Elkin, and Barbara Ann Johnson of Newark, Delaware, cousin of the bride. Their attire was identical to that of the honor attendant and each carried a bouquet of gold chrysanthemums.

Patty Sue Cummings of Elkin and Mary and Margaret Johnson of Newark, Delaware, cousins of the bride, were honorary junior bridesmaids. Their dresses were of Nile green taffeta and nylon net identical in style to the other attendants. They wore matching headdresses of illusion and carried bouquets of gold chrysanthemums.

Bradford Wilson Bowman of Chadds Ford, Pennsylvania, was best man for his brother. Ushers were Sammy DeBorde of Jacksonville, Florida, brother of the bride; James Pyle and Carl Buffington of Kennett Square, Pennsylvania; Joseph Johnson of Mendenhall, Pennsylvania; Reginald Way and Ronald Bowman, both of

Hamorton, Pennsylvania, cousins of the bridegroom.

Immediately after the ceremony, the couple greeted guests in the church vestibule. Later they were honored with a reception by the bride's parents at the Gilvin Roth YMCA.

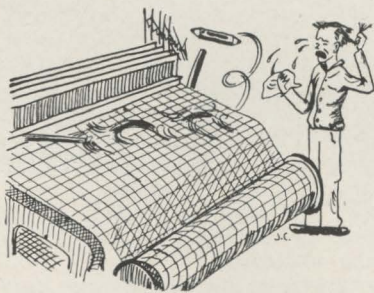
The centerpiece for the bride's table was a three tiered heart shaped wedding cake topped with a nosegay of stephanotis. Assisting in receiving and serving were Mrs. Samuel F. Johnson of Newark, Delaware, and Mrs. Claude Cummings of Elkin, both aunts of the bride, Mrs. James DeBorde of Elkin, Mrs. Glenn DeZern of Boonville and Mr. and Mrs. Jack DeBorde of Elkin.

For travelling the bride wore a turquoise knitted dress with matching accessories and a rosewood top coat. Her corsage was of white orchids.

Mrs. Bowman is a graduate of Elkin high school and Mars Hill Junior college where she was a member of the Business Club, Dramatic Club and Clio Literary Society. Before her marriage she was employed in the budget department of Chrysler Corporation, Newark.

Mr. Bowman attended Kennett Square consolidated high school and Drexel Institute of Technology, Philadelphia, where he was a member of Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity and Accounting Society. He served four years in the Navy and is now employed as budget analyst for Corning Glass Works, Corning, New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Bowman will live at 120 Charles Street, Painted Post, New York.



WEAVING

B SHIFT

Reporter: Iva Lee Phillips

Well it looks like in the Weave Room that everyone has stopped going places. We just wonder if they aren't holding out on us.

Anna Mae Miller and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Mason visited Mrs. Mason's mother Sunday.

Theresa and Reid Nixon and family and Mr. and Mrs. Grady Money and son spent last Saturday in Charlotte on business.

Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Gilliam are spending a few days with D. R.'s parents, Wilma and David Gilliam.

Mr. and Mrs. Junior Kennedy



MR. AND MRS. JOHN VICTOR BOWMAN

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WORSTED DIVISION

A SHIFT

Reporter: Lousine Simmons

Mr. and Mrs. Will Eldridge attended homecoming Sunday at Poplar Springs Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lawrence and Mr. and Mrs. Will Eldridge motored to the mountains Sunday. By the way, Bill is driving a beautiful new Plymouth. How do you rate that, Bill?

Mary and Sam Church, Barbara and G. C. Porter and J. D. McCann

had as their guests Sunday evening Mr. and Mrs. Lester Holloway and Addie and Ernest Shore.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Holman and daughter Diane and Judy Holman of Winston-Salem were supper guests of Ruth Sparks last Sunday.

Mrs. John Nelson of Portsmouth, Virginia, spent last week-end with Ruby and Hugh Nelson.

Myrtle and Miles Carter visited Mrs. Sarah Harris in Wilkes Sunday. Monday they attended the funeral of Mode Sprinkle at Forbush Church. Mr. Sprinkle was an uncle of Miles.

Stella Bauguess and Brady Woodruff visited friends in Winston-Salem Sunday afternoon.

Hazel and Gaither Howell and son and Albert and Barbara Howell were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Johnson in North Wilkesboro.

motorcycled to Asheville Sunday to attend the Southeastern motorcycle races. Mary has a sunburned face and sore muscles as a result.

We are sorry that Rose Key is out sick this week. We hope she will soon be back with us.

We send out best wishes to Lucille Freeman who is absent because of sickness in her family.

We are glad to have Harold Sale working with us.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlyle Summey visited friends in Burlington Saturday and attended the Duke-State game in Raleigh.

B SHIFT

Reporter: Alta McCann

Congratulations to Red Tharpe who is the proud daddy of a new baby girl.

We're glad to have Vanice Yarboro back at work after being out sick.

S. M. Southard and family visited the mountains Sunday.

C SHIFT

Reporter: Ruth Combs

Pernie and Nelson Benton and daughter Glenda visited Mr. and Mrs. Burley Day Sunday afternoon.

Arlene Ross says she doesn't do anything except eat and sleep since she is working on third shift.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Blalock of New London have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hall for the past week. They are Mrs. Hall's parents.

Gym Classes Begin For Boys And Girls

Gym classes for school boys in the fourth through the seventh grades will begin this afternoon, November 1, at 3:30 at the YMCA. Classes will continue throughout the winter Monday and Wednesday afternoons from 3:30 to 4:30 and Saturday mornings from 8:30 to 10:00. Tige Harris and Sellers Parker are in charge of the program.

Classes for girls in the fourth through the seventh grades will begin Tuesday afternoon, November 2, at 3:30. The schedule for the winter is every Tuesday and Friday from 3:30 to 4:30 and every Saturday morning from 10 to 11 o'clock. Betty Wilfong will be in charge.

Five True Friends

"Jack hasn't come home. Am worried. Is he spending the week-end with you?" Thus wired a wife to five of her husband's friends.

In two quick trips the messenger boy came with replies from the five friends: "Yes, Jack is spending the week-end with me."

Notice

The YMCA gym will be open every Monday and Thursday nights at 7 o'clock, beginning tonight, for practice of those planning to play in the YMCA Men's basketball league.

Winter bowling leagues are now being organized. If you have not already signed up, call Tige Harris or Burl Storie at the YMCA.

Rev. J. L. Powers Is Retiring With 35-Year Service Record

The Rev. J. L. Powers, for 35 years a valuable, faithful and loyal Chatham employee, is retiring today under the provisions of the Chatham Pension Plan. October 25 was his sixty-fifth birthday anniversary.

"Preacher" was born in Rockingham County and did his first work in textile manufacturing at the Mayodan Textile Mills near his boyhood home. He later worked at the Arista Mills in Winston-Salem, then, just before becoming a Chatham employee, at the Bloomfield Manufacturing Company in Statesville.

"Mr. Butler hired me," said "Preacher," "and when I first came here I had charge of making cotton warp. I was overseer of the Card Room at first, then later of both the Carding and Spinning."

When the Spinning department was added to his duties, he had as his assistant the late Fred L. Neaves who was just beginning his career with the Company. Mr. Neaves later became General Superintendent of the Company, a position he held until his untimely death two years ago.

In the late '30's "Preacher" was transferred to the Personnel department where he is winding up his long career. His work there has kept him in close contact with the employees, and though he is officially retired, he has said that he will continue to be interested in all the Chatham folks and will always have a warm spot in his heart for them.

When the Powers family moved to Elkin, "Preacher" brought his



THE REV J. L. POWERS

church membership to the First Baptist Church. He was soon serving as Sunday School superintendent and then as director of the Training Union. At the same time he was preaching at intervals and was helping with revival services more and more frequently. About 30 years ago he was ordained by the First Baptist Church. Since then he has held pastorates at Mt. Pleasant, East Elkin, Mt. View, Shoals, Siloam and Mt. Herman. He is now pastor of West Elkin and Pleasant Ridge Baptist Churches. He has always been much in demand for revivals and has had a full schedule up until this past summer when illness made it necessary for him to cancel his engagements.

Mr. and Mrs. Powers were married in Winston-Salem January 3, 1911. Their children are Mrs. Wayne Phillips, Eugene W. Powers, Lloyd Powers, Jesse Lee, Jr., of Winston-Salem, and Carl D. Powers. Another son, James C. Powers, was a World War II casualty. His son-in-law and all of his sons, except Jesse, Jr., are Chatham employees.

Giving up his duties here does not mean inactivity for "Preacher." He says that as long as he lives he will be pastor of two or more churches. He expects to carry on full ministerial duties — preaching, holding funerals and performing marriage ceremonies. Then, if he has any spare time, he's going rabbit hunting.

Visitors

Frank M. Hamburger, agent for Chatham's Apparel Fabrics, and Aulis Saaren, Men's Wear stylist, both of New York City, spent Thursday and Friday, October 28 and 29, at the Mill.

YMCA Offers Sports Program For Women

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start a women's bowling league this winter. She requests that all who would like to participate please notify her at the YMCA by November 15.

She also said that the YMCA hopes to have another good basketball team this year. Last year's team won the North Carolina-South Carolina championship. She added that new team members would be welcomed.

Two games have already been scheduled. Mayodan will be guests here November 20 and December 4 a return game will be played in Mayodan.

Players so far include: Dot Wagoner, Gladys Wood, Willie Cox, Jean Byrd, Frances Smith, Jean Payne, Betty Lineberry, Carol Bryant, Donaleen Nelson, Frances Harris and Betty Wilfong.

A foolish man may be known by six things: anger without cause, speech without profit, change without progress, inquiry without object, putting trust in a stranger, and mistaking foes for friends.

Y Movie Schedule

November 3 — MOVIE CRAZY, Harold Lloyd.
November 10 — GIVE US WINGS, Dead End Kids
Free Movies Every Wednesday 1:30 and 3:30



AIRMEN 3/C OLIN AND LOUIS LYON, left to right, have been assigned to Amarillo Air Force Base, Texas, for medium jet bomber training after completing training at Lackland Air Force Base. They are sons of Mrs. Edna Lyon of Traphill and the late Rev. Morgan Lyon, and they are brothers-in-law of Wilmer Brown, Warp department. Olin is a son-in-law of Boyd Caudill, Carding.



A3/C JAMES T. SPICER is leaving this week for Camp Kilmer, New Jersey, where he will be given an overseas assignment. He has just completed training at McConnell, AFB, Wichita, Kansas, and has been visiting his parents, Mattie and Tom Spicer, Burling No. 2 and Spinning employees, respectively.