



PLANT MANAGER'S MESSAGE

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Frequently we get so involved in dealing with daily problems that we tend to forget about the major improvements and accomplishments going on all around us. Of course, these do not happen automatically but are the result of hard work by a lot of people. To list just a few of these accomplishments, take a look at the following areas.

- . Ventilation on 5th floor West End.
- . New paint on 2nd floor.
- . Start up of 7 frames on 1st floor East End.
- . Start up of maintenance programs in Twisting.
- . Start up of Dornier looms on 1st floor West End.
- . Trials with the Grob Essenback Unit on a Sulzer loom.
- . Feeding selvages over end on Draper looms.
- . Implementation of fiberglass leaders on Sulzer looms.
- . New flooring in #3 Unit.
- . New oven walls in #8 Unit.
- . Computerized stretch/tension control on #8 Unit.
- . Improvements to the N-3 operation.

All of the above have been done in the last two months and will contribute to a better environment and enhance our productivity and quality. Thanks to everyone who worked on these projects.

MONTHLY PRODUCTION FOR JULY

Department*	Pounds per Day	
	Required	Actual
Ply Twisting	147,000	142,677
Cable Twisting	147,000	137,646
T. C. Weaving	152,000	143,236
Industrial Weaving	2,700	2,057
Treating	165,000	142,728
Total Pounds Shipped for Month: 3,292,853		

* Operating days vary by department.

WASTE REPORT - JULY

	Actual % to Production	Objective % to Production
Twisting:		
Nylon	.843	.953
Polyester	.990	1.007
Weaving:		
Nylon	.598	.480
Polyester	.559	.453
Treating:		
Nylon	.832	.570
Polyester	.204	.383

QUALITY SCOREBOARD - JULY

Weaving Rerolls Generated	112
Reweaving Rolls Generated	49
Treated Rerolls Generated	262

SAFETY NEWS

	July
Incidents	3
Lost Time	0
Incident Rate - Month:	7.3
Year to Date:	7.9

BRIDGESTONE BRIEFS

Bridgestone Corporation announced on August 1, 1989, it will consolidate Firestone Tire & Rubber Company and Bridgestone (U.S.A.), Inc, into a single corporation called Bridgestone/Firestone, Inc., with headquarters based in Akron, Ohio. George W. Aucott, a 33 year veteran of Firestone, has been named chief executive officer and president of the unified company.

Akira Yeire, president of Bridgestone Corporation stated, "The consolidation of our major subsidiaries in North America will permit us to build upon the strengths of each of our organizations and enable us to speak with one voice to our customers, our suppliers and our employees. The past year since the merger of Bridgestone and Firestone has been spent reviewing our worldwide organization and operations. We are confident that this consolidation will allow our operations to respond more efficiently to the challenges and opportunities in the 1990's and beyond. We are drawing upon our combined executive resources to create an independent management team to further strengthen and focus our manufacturing and marketing position in North America, which is one of the three major areas in our global strategy."

SERVICE AWARDS - AUGUST

	Department	Years Service
EARL E. BUCHANAN	Maintenance	35
EARL B. TAYLOR, JR.	Maintenance	20
CORAINE C. WEBBER	Twisting	15
JAMES C. SMITH, JR.	Twisting	15
PHILLIP R. GOBLE	Treating	15
REGINALD L. FLOYD, SR.	Weaving	15
STEVEN B. HEFFNER	Twisting	5

RETIREMENTS - AUGUST

JOE C. MARR	Weaving	30 yr 5 mon
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UNITED WAY CAMPAIGN EVENTS

The 1990 United Way campaign meetings featuring guest speakers will be on Tuesday, August 15th for 3rd shift at 6:15 a.m., 1st shift at 7:00 a.m. and 2nd shift at 3:00 p.m. At each shift meeting we will be giving away a 5 inch black and white portable television to a Fair Share employee.

Drawing for other Fair Share prizes displayed in the lobby will be held Thursday, August 31st at 2:45 p.m.

A United Way sponsored cholesterol check will be conducted by the Heart Society in the plant conference room. Testing should take about five minutes per employee with a charge of \$3 per test. Times for testing are:

Thursday, August 10: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

2nd shift as early as possible prior to shift 3:00 p.m. Twisting - 1st shift

Friday, August 11: 7:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

7:00 a.m. 3rd shift all departments

2nd shift as early as possible prior to shift

3:00 p.m. All other departments - 1st shift

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