

HEAD OF SAMPLE ROOM RETIRES



John Scruggs enjoys the television set presented him by the employees of the plants and main office upon his retirement.

Mr. John Scruggs, head of the sample department, has been retired after 47 years with Adams-Millis Corporation. Mr. Scruggs was first employed in the shipping department. Messrs. Adams and Millis were still engaged in making overalls and Mr. Scruggs was first employed in shipping overalls. He helped move operations from the present sample room building to the warehouse. After a few months in the shipping department, Mr. Scruggs was transferred to the finishing department and was soon made supervisor. The finishing department was then in the present warehouse building. When the Piedmont Hosiery Mill (present plant one) was built, Mr. Scruggs was made supervisor of the finishing department in that plant in addition to being supervisor of the older plant, High Point Hosiery Mill.

He has been head of the sample department since it was established as a separate department.

Born in Cowpens, S. C., he moved with his family to Columbus, N. C. when he was about ten. He was educated at

Bingham School in Asheville.

He started the Elkin Shoe Company in Elkin in 1895. Two years later he moved to High Point and with Mr. Wrightenberry formed the Wrightenberry Shoe Company which was located on N. Main Street where the Harry Yip Laundry is. Ten years later he dissolved the partnership and came to Adams-Millis.

John Scruggs' love for his work has been evident with all those with whom he worked. Since his marriage to the former Miss Viola Johnson of North Wilkesboro, the Scruggs have lived at 500 English Street, next door to our English St. plants. The Scruggs have two children, Mrs. Sara Murray of Greensboro and Mrs. Frances Whitley of Statesville.

Being eligible for retirement on the basis of age, Mr. Scruggs actually retired due to physical disability. He suffered an attack while at work last fall. His biggest enjoyment, he tells us, is to be able to see the employees of Adams-Millis as they pass his window on their way to and from work.