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## MEET YOUR SUPERVISOR

"There was only one electric screwdriver, but a lot of orders back then."

That's how Edsel Gordon, foreman of MAC Panel's plant, reminisced about the first days at his new job. Edsel had been working as a full fashioned knitter for eight years with McCrary Hosiery in Asheboro. Then, on the first of August, 1958, he came to work in MAC Panel's only office and plant on Gaylord Street.

The first panel had been shipped only one month before, but already the volume was growing and assembly was keeping up with the orders. Beginning as an assembler, Edsel worked hand-in-hand with the MAC Panel founders, working into the night as was often necessary to ship every order as promised--on the same day it was received.

Soon Edsel was promoted to the growing responsibility of the Shipping Department. He became assistant foreman in January of 1960. There were then two plants to look after and since the plant foreman was busy in both, it was necessary to have someone there at all times who knew the entire operation. In January of 1961, Edsel was promoted to plant foreman, the position he now holds.

The Gordons--Edsel, his wife (the former Betty Joyce Routh of Asheboro) and their nine-year-old daughter, Vanessa Diane--live outside of Asheboro in Randolph County. The Gordons



*Edsel Gordon*

were married in June of 1951 and are active in the Charlotte Methodist Church of Asheboro, the same church Edsel has belonged to for twenty years.

Edsel's few free moments are spent hunting when possible. There was a time when he was an active fisherman, but he gave it up when his fishing partner moved to Florida for bigger catches.

The Gordons enjoy their vacations in the mountains and at the beaches. In fact, their love for the beach took them to Florida over the Christmas holidays--where, unfortunately, it was too cold to fish or to swim. But, the thought was warming, wasn't it?

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If Abraham Lincoln were alive these days, the Rotary Club would provide him with a lot of good books, the Lions Club a reading lamp, while the Kiwanis Club would supply his cabin with a wooden floor.

Abe would have government protection under the minimum wage law and social security.

If the wages he was offered were not satisfactory, he would receive a subsidy for rail splitting, another for raising some crop he was going to raise anyway, and still another subsidy for not raising a crop he had no intention of raising.

Result: He wouldn't be President Lincoln.

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May all your troubles be as short-lived as your New Year's resolutions.

If you make your job important, it is quite likely to return the favor.