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MEET YOUR SUPERVISOR

Thirty-five years ago, there was an opening for a good boy to take up the work in the Looping Department of Plant #4. One of the pairers heard about this opening and asked for the job for her son-in-law, who was then a young farm boy twenty years of age. He was interested in a job even though he had never applied. His name was John Vanhoy, and he came and accepted the job. His first day of work was certainly not impressive and he just didn't like the work, but his foreman told him that tomorrow would be a better day and for him to come back. This he did--and he is still on the job today.



J. Vanhoy

After about five years, John was promoted to another job, that of fixing loopers, which he did for another five years. As a reward for his loyal and efficient service, he was then promoted to the position of foreman of the Looping Department. During his years as foreman, he saw the looping process reach great heights and later be completely replaced by the seaming process. In addition to his duties of supervising the loopers, and presently the seamers, he supervises the turners and clippers, which is a record at Plant #4 in number of employees under his leadership.

John has taken very few vacations and, except for a little time out due to sickness, has an almost perfect attendance record.

Perhaps the greatest single contribution John has made to Adams-Millis has been his interest and inventive ability in the seaming process. He conceived the idea of a new needle plate on a seaming machine of the two-needle, three-thread type of stitches that will open up properly to provide soft, flat, butted seams. Through the use of the web plate attachment, seaming instead of looping the toe of the sock has become a permanent process in a large part of the hosiery industry. Application has been made for a patent of the web plate attachment.

In the Vanhoy family there are two boys and one girl. The daughter lives in Goldsboro, N. C.; a son resides in Greenville, N. C., and is employed as an accountant with Fieldcrest Mills; and the other son is an engineer with Western Electric in Winston-Salem. Mrs. Vanhoy (Avahlee) is employed in the Sample Department at Plant #4 with a record of 25 years of service.

John is a member of the Methodist Church and resides at 131 Clifton Street in Kernersville.

UNITED APPEAL REPORTS

Southern Die Casting and Mac Panel have reported 100% participation in the High Point United Appeal. The average contribution at Southern Die was \$18.90 with total pledges of \$1,134.20 coming from 60 employees.

Employees of Mac Panel with every one participating gave \$627.25 for an average of \$12.80 per person.

No final reports have been received from the hosiery division. The shipping department of plant seven has reported 100% participation. The campaign was still underway in some departments when AMCO NEWS went to press.