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WAREHOUSE EXPANDED AT OKLAHOMA PLANT



Adams-Millis Hosiery Company, 3601 South Broadway, Edmond, Oklahoma, has reached another significant step in its growth with the completion of Phase Eight--a second addition to the warehouse--in its expansion program.

The additional structure to the warehouse section of the Oklahoma plant brings the floor space to 75,000 square feet, almost ten times the space (8,000 square feet) when the plant was opened in September 1968.

The first phase consisted of pairing, folding, and shipping hosiery which was manufactured in the High Point, N. C. plant. This was the first plant to be operated by Adams-Millis Corporation outside North Carolina.

Charles Tuttle, with thirty years' experience in the finishing department of the High Point plant, was appointed superintendent of the Edmond operations. His wife, Mrs. Louise Tuttle, was a payroll clerk in the High Point ladies' hosiery plant; she has been plant secretary of the Edmond plant since its opening.

Upon their arrival, Charles and Louise began to study more than 350 applications for employment which had been placed with the Edmond Chamber of Commerce. Their office space in the plant had not been completed, so they set up offices in a motel located across



Charles Tuttle Louise Tuttle

the highway from the plant. Planks and boards constituted walkways across the muddy landscaping.

Phases Two and Three of the building program were the construction of the boiler room and the dye house.

Phase Four was the construction of the first warehousing facility in April of 1969. The West Coast warehouse in San Fernando, California was moved to the new Oklahoma warehouse. Some hosiery was now being shipped from High Point to Edmond before it was dyed. The Edmond manufacturing plant finished the hosiery and continued shipping from that point. The warehouse also received stock ready for shipment from all the North Carolina plants.

Knitting operations (Phase Five) got underway in May of 1969, and seaming was started in July of 1969; this made possible the entire manufacturing and finishing processes. Vivian Ledford and Doris Eyler were the first two seamers.

Formal dedication of the plant was in July of 1969.

More expansion was to follow: another addition to the warehouse, an addition to the knitting department, and still another addition to the warehouse.

With the physical growth of the plants, employment was increased rapidly to approximately 130 employees. Many of those employed when the plant opened have assumed positions of more responsibility and leadership.

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