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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

TO MY FELLOW WORKERS:

It is with sincere appreciation that I acknowledge the contributions made in recent months by members of our organization who have prepared items for this column. I conceived that idea quite some time ago and feel it has worked so well that I shall encourage it some more in the future. There is more to it than the obvious desirability of all of us knowing each other better. The guest articles serve as neighborly discussions, introducing the contributors to you, and in turn, enabling them to gain from the thoughts of others. That makes for greater understanding all the way around.

Which reminds me of something which was said at the meeting of our sales organization last December. In developing the idea of understanding it was pointed out that the two segments of our business—production and sales—are charged with important and mutual responsibilities; that neither one is sufficient unto itself. The salesmen were shown how, depending upon their activity and work, they could influence the extent and amount of factory employment. While the thought was not advanced as an entirely new concept I do believe that the members of the sales organization realized more than ever before how day-to-day selling directly affected production jobs.

There is, of course, the other side. Those in the factory, who are part of production, likewise carry responsibility. That is the responsibility of turning out our products according to schedule, sustaining quality and having each garment, in effect, reflect the character of its maker. Where that is done Anvil Brand garments carry a hallmark of acceptability quickly recognized by merchants and consumers.

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Six Safety Awards Made By Committee

Four more safety awards were won by departments and offices during the past month, while the overall and pants departments—last month's winners of the first two awards—held fast to their safety banners with inspection ratings of "excellent" this month.

Awards were made by the safety committee which met last week and found that the following also received a grade of excellent on their last two bi-weekly inspections: pressing and finishing department at White Division, offices of the sales division, offices of the White Division, and the engineering offices. Safety banners or plaques have been placed in each of these units.

O. F. Griffith, Jr., safety representative of the North Carolina Industrial Commission was a visitor at the safety committee meeting and gave a short informal talk in which he said that it is usually the small things or rather carelessness in small things which cause accidents. Referring to a report on no lost-time accidents he pointed out that the power-driven knives in the cutting room were by far the most dangerous cutting tools used in any of our departments and because they were so dangerous operators had been taught to use extreme care when handling them. No cuts were listed from the cutting room, however, several cuts were reported from scissors, and blades used in other departments. These accidents were minor, he continued, but those persons should learn to be careful now, because it is the people who have small accidents at first that eventually have the major accidents.

He told members of the safety committee that their job was to inspire others to be as watchful, as careful, as themselves. "And the first person to watch is yourself," he continued. The next step is to watch for unsafe conditions or practices but the second step is no good unless you follow through with the third, which is to do something about it. If it is small, the inspector may be able to do something about it person-

ally. If large, it can be reported, but in addition the inspector should see that others are warned of the hazard.

In addition to the six units named above which received excellent or the highest rating on each of the two previous inspections, other department ratings were given as follows: Dungaree I, very good and excellent; Dungaree II, very good and very good; shipping, very good and good; utility, very good and good; cutting, good and very good; shirts, excellent and very good; Hudson Division offices, excellent and very good.

Dickie Hayes was introduced by Ossie Wright, chairman of the safety committee, as a new member from the offices, replacing Clayton Holmes. Other members representing the various departments, who have been serving only a month, are Mary Murphy, Ruby Jenkins, Virginia Reece, Frances Russell, Delores Myers, Edna Worrell, Louise Lester, Warren Shelton and Anna McKinney.

Ladies' Slacks Are Added To Spring Line

Slacks for ladies is the newest number to be added to Anvil Brand's production list, and if the public reception is anywhere near as good as the anticipation around home, where news of the new number has spread, they will be very warmly received.

Eugene A. Lockwood, head of the pattern department, confirms the grape-vine rumor that the new slacks will be tailored like the Anvil Brand shorts that proved so popular with employees last summer.

The new slacks are to be offered in black and fireman's red. These two colors also have been added to the ladies shorts which are offered again this year also in white,

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PROMOTED—Howard Peterson has been named supervisor of the pressing room at the White Division, according to an announcement by Jack Rives, production manager. Howard, who came with the company last spring, makes his home in Archdale. A veteran, he is married and the father of three children. He succeeds Cecil Smith, who relinquished the job as supervisor to take on new duties in the shipping department.

Registration Books Open On May 3

Registration books will open Saturday, May 3, when new voters or others who are not registered may go to their precinct polling places and register, says a reminder from the High Point League of Women Voters.

Registrars also will be at the polling places to register voters on the two following Saturdays, May 10 and May 17, it was pointed out, with the suggestion that if you don't know where your polling place is, ask your neighbor.

Democrats will choose their nominee for governor and for other major state offices, their representatives in Congress, in the state legislature, and for many other public posts in the primary May 31.

Registration during May also assure the voter of his or her right to vote in the election this Fall, of

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