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This picture made nearly 20 years ago shows a group of workers in the Bedspread Mill Weave room. Of the 13 men in the group all except four are still working at the Bedspread Mill and all are still in the Weave room with the exception of Clyde Buckner, who is now foreman of the Cloth room. Seated in front is Ruck Frazier; others, left to right, are: Hobson Talbert, Mark McCullouch, Louis Fuller, Troy Smith, Clyde Buckner, Lonnie Litaker, W. L. Edwards, Clint Moss, Robert Harris, Drew Watkins, Bradley Murray and Grady Matthews. McClouch, Fuller, Litaker and Moss are no longer at the Bedspread Mill.

Headquarters, AAF Engineer Command in Italy — **John T. Lathem** was recently promoted to lieutenant colonel in the Corp of Engineers in Italy.

Recently transferred into the Headquarters of the AAF Engineer Command, the organization that heads all aviation engineer units in the Mediterranean Theatre of Operations, Col. Lathem holds the responsibility of handling all aviation engineer supplies, which makes possible the construction and maintenance of airfields to base Mediterranean Allied Air Forces.

Col. Lathem was graduated from Alabama Polytechnic Institute, class of '35. Prior to entering the service as a second lieutenant in June 1941, he was a textile engineer for Marshall Field & Company in Spray. He went overseas in June 1942, and except for a short leave to the States last summer, he saw continuous service in England, North Africa and Italy.

V . . . —
Man: "Why do you weep over the sorrows of people in whom you have no interest when you go to the theatre?"

Wife: "I don't know. Why do you cheer loudly when a man with whom you are not acquainted slides safely into second base?"

Good Reports From War Bond Drive

Early reports reveal that much interest is being manifested in the Seventh War Bond Drive. Cash sales are the largest of any previous campaign and pay roll deductions are on the increase. However, that isn't enough. Since there will be only two Bond drives this year we must really get out and push!

Beginning in the next issue of the Mill Whistle a chart in the form of a box score will be published. This chart will show progress of the drive and will appear in each issue during the campaign. It will show the progress of each mill, week by week.

Study the chart. See where your mill stands. Certainly you don't want the other fellow to beat you. Well, by studying these charts you will see whether he is beating you or not;

you'll know how much more you need to beat him.

Whatever you do, don't cash in that Bond! Budget your salary, set aside a certain amount each week or month for War Bonds. All you can spare, but not more than you can afford. That will insure against being forced to cash them. For whenever a Bond is cashed it means more work for everybody, more fighting for the boys at the front.

Watch the chart. See which mills are conscious of their obligations to their country and themselves and which ones are not.

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A political boss wished to show his appreciation of the services of a colored man who possessed considerable influence. He suggested to the darky for a Christmas present the choice between a ton of coal and a jug of whiskey.

The colored man spoke to the point: "Ah burns wood."