



Fieldcrest MILL WHISTLE



Fieldcrest Men Take Prominent Parts In Blue Ridge Meeting

Several men from Fieldcrest Mills attended the 31st annual Southern Industrial Relations Conference at Blue Ridge July 19-22. Macon P. Miller, director of industrial and public relations, was appointed to the board of directors for a three-year term, replacing Luther H. Hodges. Dr. William McGehee of the Department of Personnel Research was one of the speakers on the conference program.

Others attending from Fieldcrest were J. W. Norman, personnel director; William Joyce, Bedsread; Morris Turner, Karastan; Leonard Fain, Blanket; Ralph Pigue, Sheeting Mill; and Charles Lowery, Towel.

Wins Promotion



Benjamin F. Dunton, a member of the Purchasing Dept. staff since March, 1949, was promoted to assistant purchasing agent effective July 1. He formerly was with the Engineering Dept. as a fire and safety inspector.

A native of New York State, he studied electrical engineering at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, N. Y., and worked for one year with General Electric Company at Pittsfield, Mass., prior to serving in World War II. He joined Fieldcrest Mills in April, 1946.

"Miss North Carolina" Is Visitor At Mills



Miss Carolyn Edwards, of Leaksville-Spray, "Miss North Carolina of 1950," is shown during her visit to the Hosiery Mill in Fieldale, Va., Friday, July 14. At left is E. S. Jamison, of the James Jamison Co., through whom Fieldcrest La France hosiery are sold; and at right is E. H. Goode, manager of the Hosiery Mill.

Miss Edwards will carry a number of Fieldcrest products with her when

she goes to Atlantic City September 4-10 to participate in the Miss America Beauty pageant. Fieldcrest Mills is presenting her with several gifts including nylon hosiery and towels made in Fieldale and evening gowns of rayon brocade woven at the Rayon Mill in Spray. (See page 3 for more pictures of the beauty winner during her visit to the mills.)

Four Mills Honored For Safety Records

Secretary of Labor Tobin Writes Letter of Congratulation

Excellent safety records of four Fieldcrest plants for 1949 have been recognized by U. S. Secretary of Labor Maurice J. Tobin, who has written a letter of congratulations to employees.

The mills honored were Bleachery, Central Warehouse, Finishing Mill, and Karastan Rug Mill.

The certificates of safety achievement are joint awards by the Federal and State Departments of Labor. They were presented to the respective mill managers by E. W. Medbery, production manager, at the meeting of the Central Safety Committee July 19.

The Bleachery and Central Warehouse received their awards for operating for the entire year of 1949 without

a lost-time accident.

The award given the Karastan Mill was on the basis of the accident frequency being reduced 62.5% and completing 1949 with the frequency rating of 1.96 (the frequency rating is the number of injuries per million man-hours worked). So far in 1950, the Karastan has accumulated 504,289 man-hours without a disabling injury. Karastan has an outstanding safety record and its frequency rating is considered one of the best in the nation for a rug mill.

The Finishing Mill award was given on the basis of the mill's having reduced the frequency 71% and for completing 1949 with a frequency of 1.33. A total of 553,329 man-hours were worked. The 362 employees of the Finishing Mill may well be proud of the record they have established.

The entire Fieldcrest Mills organization extends congratulations to the people of these four plants for these outstanding achievements in safe work.