

Folks You Know



J. E. (Ed) Adkins has more than 20 years of continuous service at the Rayon Mill. He was a weaver for 19 years and has been a warp hanger since the latter part of 1949.

A native of Pittsylvania county, Va., he has lived at Leaksville-Spray since he was 10 years old. He is married to the former Miss Velma Collins who works at O'Mansky Brothers in Leaksville. Mrs. Adkins formerly was employed at the Bleachery and at the Karastan Mill. They have one child, a son, J. E., Jr. (Jimmy) 14 who attends Leaksville high school. They own their home on Patterson Street in Leaksville.

Mr. Adkins' sister, Mary Adkins Gassaway formerly was with Fieldcrest Mills for several years in the Rayon Weave Room and in the Personnel Department. A brother, Melvin (Peg) Adkins is a weaver at the Rayon Mill. Their father, the late C. K. Adkins, was with the Company for several years and retired from the Finishing Mill in 1945.

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payroll for the week including the holiday and he worked his last scheduled work day before and his first scheduled work day after the holiday.

Pay checks for Christmas Day will be distributed on January 12, 1951.

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The man who worries about who's boss in his home won't be happy when he finds out.

HAVE A HAPPY, SAFE CHRISTMAS

By JOHN W. PRICE, President, Tri-City Fire Marshals

During the Christmas season when we are free of everyday cares and are enjoying holiday pleasures, let's make sure that safety is not forgotten. In years past, many families have had their holidays ruined by the occurrence of some accident that might have been prevented. Through foresight, we can eliminate many of the causes of holiday accidents.

Each year the newspapers report numerous fires caused by unsafe trimming of Christmas trees. By following a few simple rules, you can make sure your Christmas tree is safe:

1. Set tree in water—away from curtains or draperies.
2. Use no candles or open flames.
3. Keep tree away from excessive heat.
4. Check tree lights for worn insulation, bare wires and loose sockets.
5. Don't overload light circuits.
6. Make sure proper fuses are used.
7. Don't use cotton, tissue paper, or other inflammable decorations.
8. Dispose of tree by New Year's.

When gifts are opened, see that all wrappings are disposed of quickly or placed where they will not accidentally catch fire from lighted cigarettes, matches or from stoves or fireplaces.

If you enjoy celebrating Christmas by exploding fireworks, be extra careful to avoid injury to yourself or others. Don't throw firecrackers or matches

Distinguished Service Cross Presented To Wife Of Sgt. Frank D. Rorrer

In ceremonies at Anniston, Ala., November 17, the Distinguished Service Cross, one of the nation's top decorations, was presented to the wife of Sgt. Frank D. Rorrer who is missing in action in Korea. Sgt. Rorrer is the son of George Will Rorrer, 69 Church Street, Spray, a retired employee of Fieldcrest Mills.

The award was presented by Lt. General John R. Hodge, Commander of the Third Army. Following the formal citation, General Hodge said "the courage shown by men like your husband is what makes the United States Army the best in the world. I wish I could express the pride we feel in your husband and the men like him."

The formal citation read, in part: "By direction of the President, the Distinguished Service Cross was awarded by the Commander General of Eighth United States Army, Korea, to Sergeant First Class Frank D. Rorrer . . . Sergeant Rorrer, Infantry, U. S. Army, a member of Company H, 19th Infantry Regiment, 24th Infantry Division, distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism in connection with military



where they can start fires and don't throw them where they might hurt someone else. Don't hold a firecracker in your hand to light it—LAY IT DOWN.

With these things given the proper attention and with the application of the rules of common sense on the highways and when handling firearms, we can make sure that our Christmas will be both merry and safe.

operations against an armed enemy on 20 July 1950 at Taejon, Korea.

"On 20 July 1950, during the withdrawal from Taejon, the route of Company H was cut by an enemy road block. Enemy fire was intense, causing many casualties.

"Seeing this, Sergeant Rorrer went forward with advance elements of the company to force the road block. Without regard for his personal safety, he charged an enemy machine gun crew, engaging them with accurate rifle fire and then closing in on them with the bayonet to eliminate them.

"Although wounded in this action, Sergeant Rorrer voluntarily remained in his position and covered the withdrawal of his unit. The extraordinary heroism displayed by Sergeant Rorrer on this occasion reflects the highest credit on himself and the military service."

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surgical cases were liberalized for both members and dependents. In addition, the new provisions allow benefits for hospital "extras" such as blood transfusions, X-rays; laboratory fees and drugs. To pay for the increased benefits, the weekly dues were changed from 35 cents to 50 cents weekly.