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Council Program Plans Announced

The annual Christmas entertainment for members of the Carolina Cooperative Council, the Junior Council, their wives, husbands and guests is scheduled for Saturday, December 17, in the Leaksville-Spray junior high school auditorium.

The famed Charlotte Boys Choir will present a concert at 2:30 p.m. for children of Council members and at 7:30 o'clock in the evening for members and adult guests. Council members who find it more convenient to attend the afternoon program will be given credit on the attendance records.

Letters of invitation and tickets will be mailed to members well in advance of the program date.

President Harold W. Whitcomb and Vice-president E. W. Medbery will speak briefly preceding the concerts, bringing greetings from the Management. Stunts for the children's enjoyment are being arranged for the afternoon program.

Safe Driving Day Planned For Dec. 1

Three kinds of persons are responsible for the nation's traffic accidents—men, women and children.

They will be the target for the second observance of S-D Day on Dec. 1, sponsored by the President's Committee for Traffic Safety

for Traffic Safety.

President Eisenhower has set this Safe Driving Day for Americans to prove that by their own efforts traffic accidents can be held to an absolute minimum for a 24-hour period.

The day is typically American, the committee said. Although officially sponsored by the President and his committee, its observance and all activities connected with it will be on a cooperative and volunteer basis.

Purpose of the day, the committee sald, is to increase awareness of the traffic accident problem and inspire drivers and pedestrians to assume their individual and personal responsibility for highway safety. They will be urged to:

1. Obey the letter and spirit of all traffic regulations by driving at speeds prescribed by law or indicated by road (Continued on page four)



JOHN J. DODSON

. . A Half-Century of Service . . .

Retirees Will Have Program

A retirement meeting in the Training Dept. conference room Thursday morning, December 1, will honor a group of employees who will retire effective December 1 under the Fieldcrest Mills, Inc., Pension Plan.

An informal program will be held after which the first monthly pension checks will be presented.

Verne C. Snyder, of the Karastan Sales Dept. with 36 years and two months has the longest record of service among those to retire December 1, Thomas L. Willard, Central Warehouse, is next with 34 years and six months. Silas G. Strader, (early retirement) Blanket Mill, has 31 years and 10 months and Arch H. Griggs, Sheeting, has 30 years and two months.

Continuous service for others is as follows: Jesse W. Adkins, Blanket, 24 years and two months; Nora D. Richardson, Bedspread, 24 years and two months; Carrie B. Helms, Bedspread, 20 years and two months; James E. Tilley, Towel, 13 years and Emonths; Thomas G. Holley, Towel, 13 years; and Frank J. Aheron, Finishing, (early retirement) six years and four months of actual service.

J. J. Dodson Is New 50-Year Man

John J. Dodson, of the Blanket Mill, Fieldcrest's seventh 50-year employee, was honored at a luncheon at Meadow Greens Country club Friday, November 18.

On hand to help him celebrate his anniversary were five other 50-year people: J. Will Patterson, Blanket Mill (retired); W. A. Blackburn, Miss Mollie Lea, A. D. Weaver; and W. R. Gover, all of the Synthetic Fabrics Mill. Oscar F. Ferguson, Sheeting Mill (retired) was not present.

J. H. Ripple, manager of the Blanket Mill, presided. The invocation was given by Mr. Dodson's pastor, the Rev. Earl York of Draper Christian Church. Mr. Ripple spoke briefly and presented the following who made brief remarks praising Mr. Dodson and his outstanding record of service: E. W. Medbery, vice-president of Fieldcrest Mills, Inc.; H. T. Bundy, assistant mill manager, C. A. Davis, superintendent; J. P. Foster, assistant superintendent; and D. P. Gambill, foreman of the weave room.

Harold W. Whitcomb, president of Fieldcrest, spoke briefly, expressing the Company's appreciation of its long-service people and presented Mr.Dodson with his diamond-and-gold 50-year pin and other gifts and remembrances.

Mr. Dodson responded with remarks during which he expressed his gratitude "to the Company, the mill officials and the people I worked with for being so good to me." He stated that he had enjoyed his work and "always did all I could to keep people's morale up."

A. D. Weaver and W. R. Gover who (Continued on page four)

Thanksgiving Holiday Schedule Announced

Plants and offices of Fieldcrest Mills will be closed for the Thanksgiving holiday, Thursday, November 24, resuming operations Friday, November 25

In mills where there is a third shift, this shift will stop at the end of the shift Wednesday morning, November 23, and resume operations Thursday night, November 24, at the regular time.

Pay roll checks for all mills normally paid on Thursday will be paid on Friday.