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Vacation Set First Week In July

The vacation schedule for all Fieldcrest plants has been posted as follows: All mills will close for vacation at the end of the third shift Saturday morning, June 29, and will resume operations Monday, July 8 at 7 a.m. If there are any exceptions to this schedule, employees affected will be notified by the mill management.

Vacation pay will be issued on the last day of work preceding the vacation shut-down, and income taxes, social security taxes and other authorized deductions will be made. Pay checks for the week ending June 30 will be distributed to all employees in the regular manner Monday morning, July 8.

Group insurance premiums have been waived and will not be deducted from your pay for the weeks ending July 7 and July 14. Directors of your Mutual Aid association have waived

Sheet Remnants

Sheet remnants are available to Fieldcrest employees through the Employees Store at Spray and Fieldale. The material is packaged in three-pound bundles. White sheeting sells for \$2.15 per bundle and colored for \$2.30.

Special prices on first quality sheets and pillow cases and bargains in other items are noted in the Employees Store advertisement appearing on page seven.

payment of Mutual Aid dues for the week ending July 7.

The Personnel Office will be open on a limited basis during the week of vacation to take applications and to handle miscellaneous problems which may arise.

28 Persons To Retire Under Pension Plan

All mills except Automatic Blanket and Bedspread are represented in the 28 employees who will retire with pension effective June 1. It will be one of the largest groups to retire at one time since the Company started the Pension Plan in 1943.

The retirees will be honored by the management at a meeting in the Nantucket conference room at 10 a.m. Friday, May 31. They will receive their first monthly pension checks at this time. Approximately 50 persons will attend the meeting, including the retirees, officers of the Company, members of the Retirement Committee, representatives of mill management and of the Industrial Relations department.

Those to retire are: Blanket, Maybud M. Fulcher, Wallace W. Cochran, W. Frank Howard, Will L. Kennon, Dora J. Wells; Bleachery, Nannie T. Aaron.

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23 Years' Safe Work For Shipping Employees



Employees of the Karastan Shipping Dept. have completed their 23rd year with a perfect safety record. There has been no injury causing lost time since May, 1934. L. M. Oakley, foreman, says the personal interest in safety and cooperation of the employees made possible the outstanding record.

In the picture, left to right, are J. M. Norman, mill manager; F. W. Klein, assistant mill manager; Virgil Hall, su-

perintendent; Mr. Oakley, Charlie Ward, Wayne Gallimore, Jack Snead, Jesse Smith, Herbert Branch, Frank Overby, Louis Clark, Andrew Powell, Wayne Light, Ozella Lane, Eddie Bowlers, Winona Smith, James Talley, Harry Meeks, Brooks Collins, Larry Cheek, John Martin, Bobby Shropshire, Bill Earton, Gordon Overby, Carl Keaton. John Taylor and Edwin Fuller were not present for photograph.

Election At Towel Mill Scheduled For June 5

For the fourth time in recent years an election will be conducted by the National Labor Relations Board at the Towel Mill in Fieldale, Va., to determine whether the employees of the Towel Mill wish to be represented by the Textile Workers Union of America, AFL-CIO, or whether they desire to deal directly with the management of the Company. The election has been officially set by the NLRB for Wednesday, June 5. Schedules will be posted in the Towel Mill listing the polling locations and the voting hours for the various departments and shifts.

The employees of the Towel Mill have voted against union representation in three previous elections, the TWUA having lost elections there in 1945, 1950 and in 1953.

The Company has mailed to the employees a series of letters stating the Company's position in the matter and urging that every eligible employee vote so that the outcome of the election will indicate the wishes of a majority of the employees in the mill.