

# Meet the Foremen

Elmer E. Boyd is foreman of the Packing Department at the Central Warehouse. He schedules and coordinates the work of the packing room so that orders are packed the way the customers want them packed and on time to meet shipping dates. His department plays a vital part in giving good service to our customers for blankets. It is a very complex operation involving hundreds of styles, colors, and assortments.

Long experience and close attention to the details of the operations enable Mr. Boyd to do an effective job of supervising this important work. He is known for his unusual ability in getting along with the people of the packing room. He likes people and has a reputation for fairness and consideration of others.

In order to do a better job as a supervisor he has completed numerous courses at night school, in YMCA classes, through the International Correspondence Schools, and a large number of supervisory training courses sponsored by Fieldcrest.

He was born at Woolwine, Virginia, where his father operated a general store. Mr. Boyd worked on the farm and in the store during his youth. He at one time worked in the coal fields of West Virginia. He came to Spray in 1920. His first job at the Warehouse was nailing up cases. He worked on numerous floor



**ELMER E. BOYD**  
... Effective Supervisor ...

jobs in the packing room before he became assistant foreman in 1923. He was promoted to foreman in 1936.

He married the former Miss Ruth Harris of White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia. They have six children and seven grandchildren. Mr. and Mrs. Boyd live on the Leaksville-Reidsville Road where Mr. Boyd does some farming as a hobby.

## THE MILL WHISTLE

Fieldcrest Karastan

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## Service Anniversaries

### Thirty-Five Years

Mamie J. Burcham .. Cen. Warehouse  
William L. Nichols, Sr. .... Towel

### Thirty Years

Glenn T. Sykes ..... Karastan

### Twenty-Five Years

James B. Lamar ..... Dom. Designing

### Twenty Years

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### Fifteen Years

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E. Jonah Smith ..... Sheeting  
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### Ten Years

Carl H. Hall ..... Accounting  
Lucille V. Corum ..... Karastan  
Barnard A. Ashworth ..... Blanket

## Letters From Our Service Men

Dear Mr. Thomas:

I wish to thank you at this time for sending me the Mill Whistle. It's really wonderful reading of the Company's progress and of the many people there at the plant that I know. I wish that you would personally give my regards to all of the fellows that work in "All Wool Finishing" Department (Finishing Mill). It was a real pleasure working with them and having their friendship. I hope that when I am discharged I will be able to work with them again.

The first of June I was promoted from A/3c to A/2c. So that means I will owe you a cigar when I return home for a leave.

Sir, I wonder if you could have the Mill Whistle sent to my sister and brother-in-law. They are now stationed here in Germany also, 250 miles south of me in Munich. They were up to visit me three weeks ago and they took all the copies that I had home with them to read. Their address is as follows: SFC Phillip Jarell, RA 14250134, Co. D, 503 AIR APO 29, C/o PM, New York, New York.

I would like to receive some mail from the folks around there also. Three years is a long time to stay away and I don't want to be forgotten when I do rotate to the states.

A/2c Bransford L. Carter, AF 14622810, 7406 Support Sqdn., APO 57 USAF, C/o P.M. New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Rimmer:

As I was an employee of Fieldcrest Mills before entering the Air Force, I would like to take this opportunity of saying hello to all my friends with whom I worked.

I enjoyed working at Fieldcrest very much and worked there for around a year and a half, beginning just after I finished high school. When I left Fieldale, I went to an Airline school in Kansas City, Missouri and upon completion of the course there, enlisted in the Air Force.

I like the Air Force very much and it has given me an opportunity to travel and further my education. I took my Basic Training at Sampson Air Force Base, New York and was transferred from Basic to Francis E. Warren A.F.B., Cheyenne, Wyoming. From Warren, I went to Stenographer school in Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana and then on to Eglin Air Force Base near Pensacola, Florida. From Eglin, I was sent to Manhattan Beach A.F.B., Brooklyn, New York for overseas processing and then left McGuire A.F.B., N. J. for my present assignment, Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe in Paris.

I find my tour here at SHAPE a most interesting one, although Paris itself is very expensive.

Mr. Rimmer, if you would be so kind as to put my address in the Mill Whistle, I would appreciate it very much. Per-



**A/2C BOBBY HOPKINS**  
... Stationed at SHAPE ...

haps some of my friends there at Fieldale would like to write to me if they knew my address and I would welcome their letters as mail means a lot when you're away from home.

Thank you for all your kindness.

A/2c Bobby Hopkins, AF 13536537 (BUDFIN), Det. No. 1, USAF, 1141 SPECTRON, APO 55, New York, N. Y.