THE MILL WHISTLE

Fieldcrest.



Karastan.

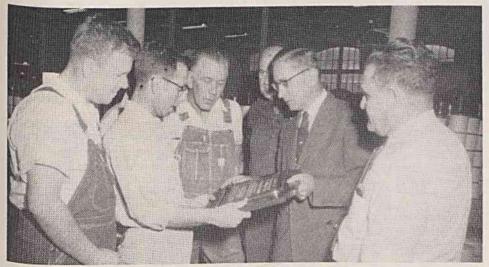
Published by Fieldcrest Mills, Inc. Plants located in Spray, Draper and Leaksville, N. C. and Fieldale, Va.

VOL. XVI

Spray, N. C., Monday, February 17, 1958

NUMBER 16

Mills Honored For Hospital Support



LOOKING OVER the plaque awarded the Blanket Mill employees in hospital fund campaign, left to right, are Clyde Minter, Dillard Stultz, Harry Barrow, Melvin Moore, C. A. Davis and E. L. Funderburk.

Fieldcrest Community Fund Drive Under Way

The Tri-City Community Fund campaign at Fieldcrest was still in progress as The Mill Whistle went to press Friday. Solicitations began Monday, February 10 and are expected to be completed early this week. Each employee was to be contacted and asked to pledge a donation of approximately one day's pay.

Campaign officials said the results at Fieldcrest would be announced as soon as known, through The Leaksville News and The Mill Whistle. A community-wide report meeting is scheduled for Thursday night of this week.

Robert A. Harris, vice president in charge of manufacturing, who is heading the campaign at Fieldcrest, urged that employees give the equivalent of one day's pay as their fair share in the Community Fund campaign. The contribution may be a pledge to be paid in installments by payroll deductions.

The first deductions will be made from the paycheck for the week ending March 9. Deductions may be spread over a 12-week period. First deductions among salaried employees will be from March paychecks. Deductions will be made for three months.

Mr. Harris joined the Rev. Harry D. Wood, general chairman of the cambaign, in appealing for generous support

of the Community Fund. Failure to reach the community-wide goal of \$38,918.74 would mean that needy persons and families will suffer as needed health, welfare and recreational services would be absent or curtailed.

Agencies participating in the Community Fund are Red Cross, Boy and Girl Scouts, Boys' Club, Salvation Army, Rescue Squad, Y.M.C.A.s and Retarded Children.

NOTICE

Effective Monday, February 17, the Industrial Relations Department and the Standards Department are located in the new Fieldcrest office building in the Central Area. Persons having business at the Employment Office, Medical Department etc. should go to the new location.

The telephone switchboard also has been moved to the new office. Changes in telephone numbers are listed in the new Fieldcrest directory which was distributed last week. Persons calling on "inside" telephone lines should consult the sheet "Schedule of Telephone Number Changes" in the front of the new directory.

Plaques Are Awarded Employees At Blanket And Karastan Mills

Fieldcrest Mills has awarded beautiful bronze plaques to employees of the Blanket and Karastan mills in recognition of their outstanding support of the Tri-City Hospital Building Fund campaign. Presentations were made at the mills Monday afternoon, February 3.

At the start of the hospital fund campaign at Fieldcrest, President Harold W. Whitcomb announced that the Company would give a plaque to the mill with the largest contribution per employee. In addition, a suitable unit in the new hospital—representative of whatever the mill's contributions will buy—would be named in honor of the employees of the mill making the largest contribution per employee.

Contest Considered A Tie

Results at the Blanket and Karastan mills were so close that the contest was considered a tie and plaques were awarded both mills.

Ninety-four per cent of the employees at the Blanket Mill pledged a total of \$36,992.62, an average contribution of \$48.38 per employee. One hundred per cent of the Karastan employees pledged a total of \$28,982.85, an average of \$48.14 for each employee.

President Whitcomb personally presented the plaques in ceremonies at the two mills. At the Blanket Mill where it was impractical to stop off the mill and get all of the employees together, the presentation was made before a delegation of employees representing all departments. J. H. Ripple, manager of the Blanket and Sheeting mills, accepted the plaque on behalf of the Blanket Mill employees.

Large Crowd At Ceremony

At Karastan, a large majority of the employees attended the ceremony which was held at shift change time in the afternoon. J. M. Norman, mill manager, spoke briefly and presented John G. Cunningham, superintendent, who accepted the plaque on behalf of the employees.

The heavy plaques, appropriately inscribed, will be placed on permanent (Continued on page three)