

# Keep Textile Industry In U. S.

The U. S. textile industry, along with the fiber and apparel industries, has an application before a government agency, the Office of Civil and Defense Mobilization (OCDM), for recognition of the fact that uncontrolled imports of textiles threaten the national security.

The basis for the application is the fact that in time of national emergency textiles are of vital importance to the Armed Services and to Civil Defense. If our government continues to permit textile imports of such volume as to damage the industry's ability to provide textiles for military and civilian use in time of emergency, our national security would be in jeopardy.

There is no doubt but that imports are threatening the production capacity of the U. S. textile industry and threatening the jobs of the hundreds of thousands of people depending on the industry for a living.

It would make about as much sense to depend upon foreign mills to meet our textile needs in time of national emergency as it would to have our missiles produced in Hong Kong just because rocket production might be cheaper there.

## 'We've Always Done It This Way'

Whenever new machinery is installed at the mill or newer, better job methods are instituted, there is often reluctance to give up the old, familiar way of doing things.

This desire to cling to the old seems to be a universal tendency. It is called "resistance to change" and it occurs not only on the job at the mill but in many other phases of life.

Many times the old procedure is defended by someone's saying, "We've always done it this way."

But is that true?

If we had always done it this way we'd still be living in damp caves, chewing raw meat and going to bed at sundown because we'd never learned to sow crops or cook or make artificial light.

So, perhaps, this cry is one that should go unheeded. If "We've always done it this way" is our sole reason for continuing a practice then we should revise our thinking.

Times change and we should consider changing with them.

## Men's Social Security Can Begin At Age 62

The age at which men can apply for social security payments has been changed to 62, reminds W. L. O'Brien, manager of the Greensboro social security office.

Until now, men had to be at least 65 before they could make application for payment unless they were disabled. For several years women have been able to claim their social security payments at a reduced amount when they were 62. Men now have the same opportunity.

Mr. O'Brien stated that a man's payment at 62 would be reduced because

he would be getting paid three years earlier. By reducing the amount of payments at age 62, he will get about the same total payments as he would by waiting until 65. A claim must be made before any payments can begin.



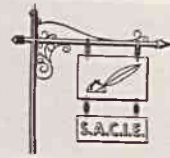
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