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Millions Being Spent On Improvements

New Construction Under Way At Many Locations As Improvement Program Continues; Projects Include Modern, Air Conditioned Sheet Finishing Mill On Former Union Carbide Property Near Draper.

Modernization and expansion projects totaling over \$10-million are currently under way at Fieldcrest Mills, or have recently been completed. Included are projects at Spray, Draper, Leaksville, Fieldale, Va., Forest City, Columbus, Ga., and New Brunswick, N. J.

The latest addition to be announced is a modern, air conditioned Sheet Finishing Mill to be built on the former Union Carbide property near Draper. The new building will house the sheet sewing and warehousing operation now located in the Nantucket building.

A 70-acre site has been cleared and graded and contracts have been let for the construction. The steel is to be delivered by September 26 and the building is expected to be completed within six months. The modern 175,000 square foot facility will cost \$1,500,000.

At the General Offices, Spray, additions totaling 25,000 square feet are being built at a cost of \$640,000. Construction is scheduled to be completed by the end of 1965. A partial two-story addition on the east side will provide badly needed extra space for the Data Processing Department and will provide extra space for the Purchasing, Traffic, Standards, and Engineering Departments.

Office Departments Are Reorganized

Establishment of a Business Information Department in the Finance and Accounting Division, combining the functions of two existing departments, has been announced by Richmond R. Roberts, vice president-finance.

The new department will consist of five sections: Data Processing, Domestic Products; Data Processing, General Offices; Data Processing, Rugs; Information Systems and Procedures; and Operations Research.

H. Jack Loveless, Jr., formerly manager-internal auditing, was appointed manager of the Business Information Department. Melvin B. Franklin, formerly manager-office procedures, was named manager-data processing, domestic products. He will continue to be responsible for administration of the clerical workload measurement program

An addition at the southwest corner will contain the Industrial Relations Department and enlarged quarters for the Medical Department, with additional examining and treatment rooms and space for medical records. The X-ray machine and will be moved to the new part of the building. The space released by Industrial Relations will be used for expansion of the Accounting Department.

In a million-dollar improvement program at Fieldale, Va., a three-bay addition, two stories high, is being built at the north end of the Towel Mill Weave room. The 37,728 square feet of extra space will make it possible to consolidate weaving operations now in scattered locations.

On order are 60 new C-8 looms which will replace older models. Also, the C-8 and C-7 looms now being operated in the former Hosiery Mill building will be moved into the new addition. The first floor of the addition will be used for expansion of the Cloth Room which has become necessary due to increased production and greater number of styles.

Construction is nearing completion and the looms are to be moved in during the next few weeks.

The largest of the current projects is

a \$3,700,000 modernization and expansion program at the Alexander Sheeting Mill, Forest City. The spinning and weaving will be completely modernized and production will be increased approximately 70 per cent.

A contract has been signed with the Roberts Company, of Sanford, for 96 new spinning frames with 32,256 spindles, replacing all present frames. The present weave room will be converted to a spinning department with the latest type refrigerated air-conditioning.

Construction is well along on a new, completely modern weave room of 104,000 square feet. Additional looms will be installed bringing the total to 791

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from the present 408. The project is scheduled for completion by the end of the year.

In a \$355,000 project at Columbus, Ga., construction is nearly complete on a beautiful modern Fieldcrest Store similar to the Fieldcrest Store at Spray. Located on a choice site on Victory Drive (U. S. Highway 27 and 280) between Columbus and Fort Benning, the store will serve Columbus, Fort Benning, Phenix City, Ala., and the surrounding 20-county trading area with a population of over 500,000.

The building will be larger than the store at Spray, having 14,866 square feet compared to the Spray store's 12,226, but will be of similar Colonial design. It is expected that the building will be ready for occupancy by November 1.

Also at Columbus, construction of a two-story addition is under way at the Bay Avenue Warehouse. The 33,066-square foot addition to the finished goods warehouse will provide badly needed extra space for the warehousing and shipping of the products of Mus-

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