Company Honors Scholarship Recipients

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of the North Carolina Finishing Company and Otis Marlowe, editor of "The Mill Whistle."

Harold W. Whitcomb, chairman of the board, Fieldcrest Mills, Inc.; Dr. William McGehee, secretary of the Fieldcrest Scholarship Committee; and Haven H. Newton, division vice president-industrial relations and a member of the Committee, had to be out of town and could not attend the luncheon.

Dr. Hance, who presided, welcomed the Scholarship recipients and told them that "Fieldcrest is proud of the records you have made."

Cites Value of Education

Mr. Moore, in a brief talk, congratulated the Fieldcrest Scholars and cited the increasing value of a college education. He gave figures showing that the person who graduates from college can expect to earn, in a lifetime, \$140,000 more than the person who has only a high school education.

That, he said, is a profitable return on the investment of four more years in education. He said that the fund of knowledge has multiplied manifold and that learning is of much greater importance in attaining success than it was in past generations.

Mr. Harris spoke briefly and reviewed the history of the scholarship program. He pointed out that both the number of scholarships given each year and the value of the scholarships have increased. When the program was begun in 1960, two scholarships were given and they were worth \$2,000 each. In 1967, the foundation gave six scholarships which were worth \$2,800 each. He said that virtually all the scholarship recipients had done well in college and he urged the new scholarship recipients to give their best efforts.

Their Leadership Needed

Mr. Roberts, in brief remarks, said that the Fieldcrest Foundation attached no strings to the scholarships with reference to the recipient's choice of a career. He cited the wide diversity in the fields chosen by the recipients which included doctors, nurses, lawyers, musicians, research scientists and others.

Mr. Robert said that the Fieldcrest organization has opportunities for leaders from many fields of study and that

Mary Anna Radford



The accompanying picture shows Mary Anna Radford, who was 23 months old when the picture was made. She is the daughter of Gilbert and Jeanne Radford. Jeanne is employed in the Customer Service Department at Laurelcrest Caipets at Laurel Hill.



The six persons who received Fieldcrest Scholarships in 1967 are shown with John M. Hough (left), superintendent of Leaksville Township Schools, a member of the Scholarship Committee; and G. William Moore, president of Fieldcrest Mills, Inc. Recipients are, from left, Susan A. Gambill, Mary Ellen Lay, Charles M. Clifton, Frances Fair Merriman, Sarah F. Dunnivant and Carolyn G. Phillips.

the local communities also have need of these leaders. He urged the scholarship recipients to consider returning to their home communities to provide that leadership.

Mr. Hough, in a brief response, told of his pride in the records made by the scholarship recipients. He said he noted certain characteristics of the scholars, such as appreciation and courtesy, which he said spoke well for them.

He told of the great problems of education in the state and nation in future years and the tremendous amount

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of money needed to provide adequate educational facilities. Mr. Hough praised Fieldcrest for its interest and assistance to education and cited the Company's leadership in affairs that benefit the whole community.

The scholarship recipients told of their plans and ambitions and expressed appreciation to the Fieldcrest Foundation for helping them to obtain a college education. Several of the students stated that it would have been impossible for them to have gone to college without assistance such as was provided by their Fieldcrest Scholarship.

Since the program was started in 1960, the Fieldcrest Foundation has awarded a total of 24 scholarships to employees and children of employees. Each scholarship currently is worth \$2,800 over the four years of college attendance.

There are at present 19 young people who are attending college with assistance of Fieldcrest Scholarships.

Similar scholarships are awarded by the Muscogee Foundation to children of employees of the Muscogee Mill, Columbus, Ga. The Muscogee Foundation has granted a total of eight scholarships in the past four years.

Beverly Carol Byers



Beverly Carol Byers is the 9 months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Byers of Forest City. Beverly Carol is granddaughter of Carl and Mary Kimbrel, both of whom are employed at the Alexander Sheeting Mill. Carl is an overhauler in the Spinning Department and Mary is a weaver.

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