

Fieldcrest Honors 50-Yr. Employee

Mamie J. Burcham Gets Awards At Luncheon Given By Company

Mamie J. Burcham, Fieldcrest's newest 50-year employee, was honored by the management of Fieldcrest Mills, Inc., at a luncheon at Meadow Greens Country Club Tuesday, June 13. Mrs. Burcham, of the Sheet Finishing Office, was presented her diamond and gold 50-year service pin, a gift and a letter of commendation from President William C. Battle.

The presentation was made by Robert A. Harris, senior vice president, who spoke briefly congratulating Mrs. Burcham on her outstanding record of a half-century of continuous service. Mr. Harris read a telegram from President Battle expressing regret that he had to be out of town and could not attend the luncheon.

Harold W. Whitcomb, retired board chairman and a director of Fieldcrest Mills, Inc., made a brief talk congratulating Mrs. Burcham and the other 50-year employees on their outstanding records.

Giles Hunnings, division vice president-bed fashions manufacturing, spoke in praise of Mrs. Burcham's work record and personal qualities which, he said, make her a "very valued employee and a good person to work with."

Enjoyed Her Work

Mrs. Burcham in a brief response said, "I have enjoyed working for Fieldcrest. I have had nice people to work with and they have all been good to me. I appreciate all that has been done for me."

Haven Newton, vice president-industrial relations, presided and called on Otis Marlowe, editor of The Mill Whistle, for the invocation. Mr. Newton recognized all of the 50-year employees attending and congratulated them on their outstanding careers with Fieldcrest.

In addition to those mentioned above, officials attending the luncheon included William B. Lucas, general counsel and secretary; C. L. Kametches, division vice president and general manager of sheet manufacturing; and a number of others from the Sheet Finishing Mill and the Industrial Relations Department.

Never Off Payroll

Mrs. Burcham completed 50 years on Monday, June 12. She has never been off of the payroll for any reason since she was first employed in 1922. She has been engaged in order service and billing operations for sheets virtually the entire time.

She has worked as clerk, follow-up clerk, chief clerk and supervisor of order typing, order clerk in customer service and has been a Visi-Records clerk since 1968.



At luncheon, Mamie Burcham, new 50-year employee, gets congratulations from W. G. Hunnings (right). Standing at left are C. L. Kametches and J. R. Moore.



Members of 50-year Club attending luncheon, from, left, front row, Mamie Burcham, newest member; Betty Ratliff, Eunice Buckner, Lelia Robertson; back row, Tommy Patterson, Mack Overby, Hugh Lee, W. A. Blackburn, A. D. Weaver.

Educational Grants Considered At Any Time

Children of Fieldcrest employees may apply for an educational grant from the Fieldcrest Foundation at any time during the year. All applications will be considered as soon as they are received.

The new program of educational grants, announced in May, is distinct from the Fieldcrest Scholarship program which is competitive, and granted only to employees' children attending a four-year college.

Recognizing that many individuals can more profitably attend technical institutions or take trade courses than attend a four-year college, Fieldcrest designed the grants to aid employees' children who wish to attend courses in technical institutes or technical courses such as mechanics, secretarial work,

or paramedical courses (nursing, medical technicians, etc.).

However, under some circumstances grants can be made to individuals enrolled in a four-year college.

The educational grants are non-competitive and will be made to children of employees in terms of their financial need and the ability of the individual to successfully pursue a given course of study.

The amount of each grant will depend on the financial need of the recipient but can be as much as \$1,000 per year.

Applications for educational grants may be made through the office of Dr. William McGehee, director of personnel research and development, General Offices, Eden, or additional information may be obtained from his office.