

THE MILL WHISTLE

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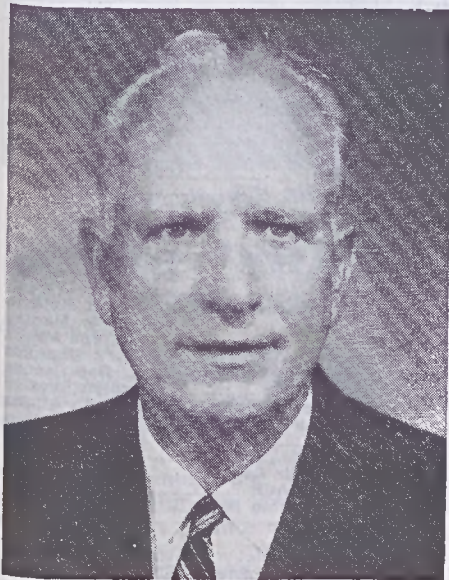


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GLENN H. SIMPSON



ALLIE M. HOUCHINS

Two Will Complete 50-Year Records

Two Fieldcrest employees are to complete 50-year records of continuous service within the next week or so. Glenn H. Simpson will observe his 50th work anniversary June 14 and Allie M. Houchins will attain 50 years of continuous service June 20.

Both of the new 50-year employees will be honored by the management of Fieldcrest Mills at a luncheon at Meadow Greens Country Club Thursday, June 14. Other members of the Fieldcrest 50-Year Club will attend.

Mr. Simpson has continuous service since June 14, 1923. He was first employed in the Spinning Department at the Bedspread Mill but was soon transferred to the Cutting and Sewing De-

partment as a bedspread cutter. After about five years as a cutter he became a shipping clerk in the Storage and Shipping Department.

He was soon promoted to foreman and was a supervisor for several years in the bedspread storage and shipping, stock and packaging operations. He became foreman of the Sheet Cutting and Sewing Department at the old Bleachery in 1944 and served for 17 years.

He was appointed night general foreman at the Blanket Finishing Mill in 1961 and continues in that classification. He most recently has worked in the Blanket Finishing Mill Supply Room.

Active in community affairs, he was

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Technical Center Site Preparation Started

Site preparation is under way for Fieldcrest's new Technical Center at Eden. The footings are to be poured about July 1 with completion of the building scheduled for May 1, 1974.

As the grading and dirt-moving goes forward, efforts are being made to get the main parking lot as nearly complete as possible in order to avoid the problems of dust, mud, etc. during the construction.

The new technical facility, estimated to cost about one-and-a-half million dollars, is to be built on a 12-acre tract on the corner of Pierce Street and Stadium Drive, adjacent to the Fieldcrest General Offices. It will encompass 25,000 square feet on the upper level and 22,000 square feet on the lower level.

The new building will house Fieldcrest's Technical Services Department, which includes Research, Domestic Product Development, and Domestic Quality Control. The new facility has been designed to accommodate approximately sixty to eighty persons.

The upper level of the building will house the Technical Services Department, a technical library, conference room and laboratories. The lower level will include development laboratories, storage areas and space for expansion.

The present headquarters of the Technical Services Department is completely inadequate and the Company has had plans for expanding and updating the Research and Development facilities for several years.

Mill Whistle To Have New Format

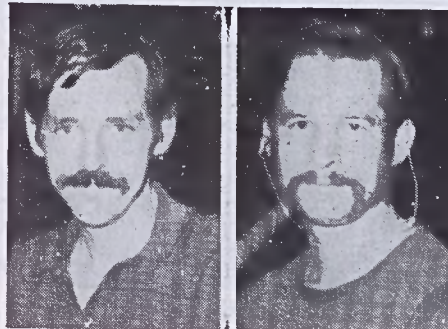
Following several months of planning, The Mill Whistle will be changed to a new tabloid format produced by the offset method. The publication will be printed on standard newsprint on The Eden News' modern Goss 16-page offset newspaper press.

The changeover will become effective with the July 16 issue which will mark the beginning of the 32nd year of continuous publication of The Mill Whistle for Fieldcrest employees.

Substantial economies in time and

money will be made possible by the offset method of printing. The greater speed of the press (15,000 impressions an hour), the use of newsprint instead of coated paper and the elimination of photoengraving expenses will significantly reduce the overall cost.

The improved format and the new method of printing are in keeping with modern trends in employee publications and will make possible a number of innovations that will improve the employees' paper.



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