



50-YEAR CLUB MEMBERS present to welcome Ila Krantz, center front row, were, front row from left, Franklin R. Fulcher, and Allie Houchins; second row from left, Jesse W. Griggs, Lelia Roberson, Josie Taylor, Betty Ratliffe, and Hugh T. Lee; third row from left, A. D. Weaver, Payton E. Jeffries, Glenn H. Simpson, Lonnie T. Hankins; back row from left, John W. Page, T. Earl Bondurant, and J. Thomas Patterson.

## Ila Krantz Is Newest 50-Year Club Member

Ila S. Krantz was welcomed into Fieldcrest's 50-Year Club on Wednesday, April 26, at a luncheon at Meadow Greens Country Club, Eden. Fourteen members of the 50-Year Club along with a number of the company's management attended the luncheon.

Mrs. Krantz, a sewer corner tacker at the Blanket Finishing Mill, began employment at the Blanket Warehouse on April 23, 1928. She has worked at the Blanket Finishing Mill since 1935.

W. G. Hunnings, group division vice president-Bed Fashions Manufacturing, spoke briefly, outlining Mrs. Krantz's outstanding contribution to the company and also that of her family.

H. H. Newton, vice president-Industrial Relations, introduced each member of the club present and conducted the drawing for the door prize, which was won by Josie Taylor.

A. L. Jackson, senior vice president, presented Mrs. Krantz with the Fieldcrest 50-Year pin, letter and check. He also read a telegram from W. C. Battle, president of Fieldcrest Mills, Inc., congratulating Mrs. Krantz and expressing regret at being unable to attend the luncheon.

Club member Allie Houchins read a prayer to the group.

Other members of the company's management present were Dr. L. H. Hance, senior vice president-Research and Engineering, N. F. Young, division vice president and general manager-Blanket Manu-

facturing; H. G. Rosenthal, plant manager-Blanket Finishing Mill; R. L. Glasgow, superintendent-Cut and Sew, Packaging and Warehousing, Blanket Finishing Mill; and O. E. Hopkins, Jr., section foreman-Sew, Fold and Packaging, Blanket Finishing Mill. Also attending from the Industrial Relations Department were C. C. Wilson, director of Employee Benefits and Services; J. D. Corry, area personnel manager for the Blanket Finishing Mill; and Camille O'Neal, editor of The Mill Whistle.

### A 'Fieldcrest Family'

Ila S. Krantz, the newest member of the 50-Year Club, comes from a true "Fieldcrest Family."

Both her parents were Fieldcrest employees who, at retirement, had 50 years of combined service with the company. Their record, added to Mrs. Krantz's own 50 years, make a total of 100 years of service to Fieldcrest.

Her mother, Beulah Sawyers, retired from the Cut and Sew Department at Blanket Finishing in 1960 with 18 years of service. Her father, Roy Sawyers, retired from the Blanket Finishing Napping Department in 1954 with 32 years of service. He died in 1976.

Also, a brother, Billy Sawyers, is presently assistant manager, Private Fleet Operations, Traffic Department. Mrs. Krantz's late husband, Russell Krantz, at one time worked in the Cut and Sew Department at Blanket Finishing.