

### Single Votes Have Made History Your One Vote Is Important

More times than you think, a single vote decides an election.

One vote elected a President of the United States.

One vote made Texas part of this country; one vote admitted California, Idaho, Washington and Oregon to the Union.

One vote has decided hundreds and perhaps thousands of issues—some even more important to the people of a given community than who's President of the U. S.

Repeatedly, one vote has shaped history.

Some 50 million Americans know their votes are important. But almost as many others who could vote haven't yet realized that each vote counts — and sometimes tips the scales—in an election. Bad officials, it's said, are elected by the good men and women who could, but don't vote.

If you're good at remembering election results, you can probably recall an instance in your own experience where one vote or perhaps a few votes decided the outcome. Maybe it involved a new school, election of more efficient local officials, or selection of the man to represent you in the state legislature or in Congress. Did you vote in that election. Might your vote have been decisive?

There are dramatic examples of elections which went one way or the other because of a single individual's vote. Rutherford B. Hayes became President by a one-vote margin over Samuel Tilden. And the man on the electoral commission who cast the deciding vote had himself

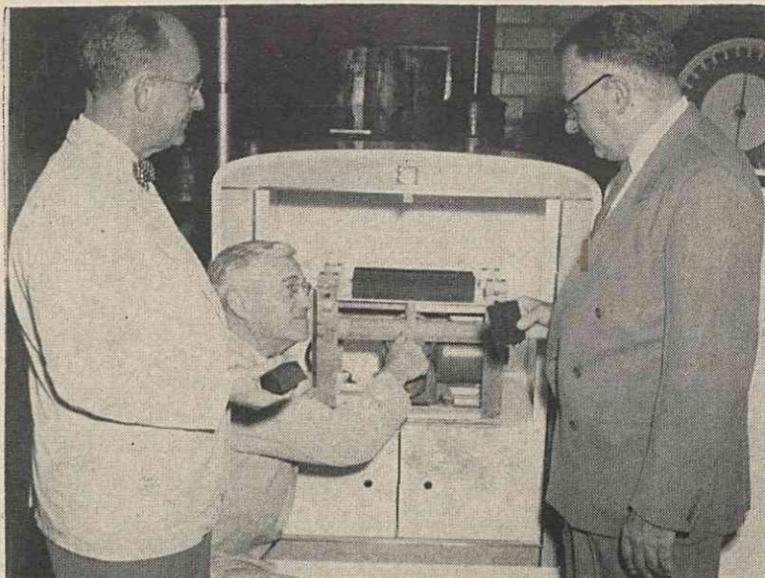
been elected by a single vote—cast by a desperately ill citizen who insisted on being taken to the polls to vote!

In DeKalb County, Indiana, back in the 1840's, a miller was persuaded to take time out of a busy day to vote. He voted for a candidate for the state legislature—who won by just one vote. Later this legislator cast the deciding vote that sent Edward Hannegan to the United State Senate. Not long after Senator Hannegan cast the decisive ballot that admitted Texas to the Union. Indirectly, the humble miller's vote determined a major event in history.

There are literally dozens of similar instances. John Adams was elected President over Thomas Jefferson by three electoral votes. Aaron Burr, later charged with treason, missed being President by one electoral vote, and in his stead Thomas Jefferson — with whom he was tied in the electoral vote—was named by the House of Representatives.

More recently, one vote in the House of Representatives made the Draft Act of World War II the law of the land and caused millions of men to be called for service in the Armed Forces.

These are things to remember when you are tempted to think that, with so many people voting, your one vote can't mean very much. In a very large percentage of elections, a relatively small number of voters can tip the balance in favor of good government. **One vote is important.**



**RUBBERIZED ROADS RESEARCH**—Education and industry work together in an effort to make bituminous pavements last longer by adding rubber. Here (left to right), Leo M. Chamberlain, Vice-President of the University of Kentucky; D. V. Terrell, Dean of the University of Kentucky College of Engineering, and Carl R. Shaffer, President of the Xylos Rubber Company, subsidiary of The Firestone Tire & Rubber Company, look over a "fatigue tester" in the University's highway laboratory. The device is installed in a refrigerating unit and samples of aged paving materials to which rubber has been added are put under stress at varying temperatures. Constant motion of the machine simulates the pounding the rubberized mixtures would take from cars and trucks on the nation's highways. The Firestone project is administered by the Kentucky Research Foundation, corporation organized seven years ago to further research, public service, and scholarship at the University of Kentucky. Grants from industry and Government for research have totaled more than a third of a million dollars.

### University Of Ky. Awarded Rubber Road Research Contract

LEXINGTON, KENTUCKY — Some day you may be driving your car on rubberized roads if experimental work now under way at the University of Kentucky is successful.

Research engineers here hope to come up with the answer to a question that has long plagued highway builders and motorists alike: How can the nation's highways be made to last longer?

One way to prolong the life of pavements may be to add rubber to bituminous mixtures, and tests are being conducted in the University's highway laboratory to find out just how well such materials would wear if used for surfacing roads, highway, and streets.

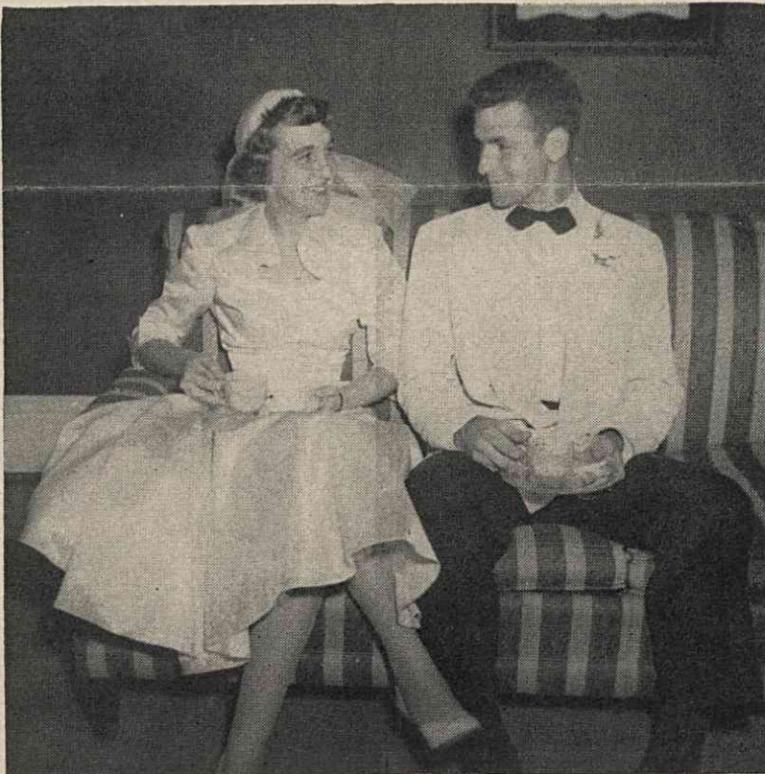
Financed through grants from The Firestone Tire & Rubber Company, the research project is being carried on by the Engineering Experiment Station of the College of Engineering. Preliminary work was begun last year and the contract has been extended four times.

\* \* \*

**RUBBERIZED** paving materials are subjected to a series of tests at the University of Kentucky. In one step, the bituminous mixtures are aged in an "aging chamber", much as they would be if exposed to the weather. In the second step, samples of the aged materials—black oblong bars—are placed in a "fatigue tester" designed by the Engineering College. This device is installed in a refrigerating unit and the paving blocks, at varying temperatures, are put in motion under stress to simulate the pounding they would take from cars and trucks.

The Firestone project is one of a number of contracts presently being administered by the Kentucky Research Foundation, a corporation organized in 1945 to further research, public service, and scholarship at the University. Grants received from industry and Government for research of various kinds so far have totaled more than a third of a million dollars.

### Mr. And Mrs. Martin McCarter



**JOYCE JACOBS**, daughter of Dealva Jacobs, quality control inspector, married Martin McCarter, Jr., of Clover, S. C. on Saturday, August 16. Mrs. McCarter is a 1950 graduate of Gastonia High School, and until her marriage was a student nurse at Mercy Hospital Training School in Charlotte. The groom is a rising junior at Clemson College, Clemson, S. C., where he is majoring in Agriculture. He worked at this plant during the summer of 1950 in the Twisting Department.

### Ceramics Club Being Formed For Hobbies

**ARE YOU** interested in ceramics? If you are the proposed Ceramics Club should be a made to order answer to your wishes. The next meeting of those folks who are interested, either men or women, will be held Monday night, October 13, 7:30 p. m. at the Girls' Club. If enough people show an interest in this activity a ceramics teacher and necessary equipment to carry on ceramics work will be secured.

### Books To Be Available Under "Exchange Plan"

A **"BOOK EXCHANGE"** will be started at the Girls' Club on September 15. The plan will work as follows: Twelve books will be provided by the Recreation Department as a starter. Anyone who wishes to read one of these may do so by bringing a book of their own to leave in place of the one to be borrowed. No time limit will be imposed upon the borrower, however, each time a book is borrowed another must be left in its place.

### Truck Tire Demand — Continued From Page One

"Another encouraging aspect in the outlook for civilian replacement demand for truck tires is the marked recovery that is now under way in many industries that suffered from the same post-Korean consumer overbuying that hit the tire industry. There are now signs

of expanding economic activity in the home appliance, furniture, carpeting and textile industries. These industries are all large shippers by truck. In addition, recovery in the automobile and steel industries should also add to the demand for truck tires."

## FIRESTONE NEWS

Volume 1, No. 8 — September 5, 1952

Published at Gastonia, North Carolina

By Firestone Textiles

A Division of

The Firestone Tire & Rubber Company

Department of Industrial Relations

R. H. HOOD, Editor

Department Reporters

- Carding—Leila Rape, Gertrude Sanders, Jessie Westmoreland.
- Spinning—Lois Bolding, Helen Bolick, Janet Hartgrove, Mary Turner, Ray Cloninger, Fannie Bruce.
- Spooling—Nell Bolick, Ruth Easler, Helen Reel.
- Twisting—Nevie Dalton, Mable Hanna, Hazel Clark, Lassie Crawford, Corrie Johnson, Dean Haun, Ellease Austin, Ruth Waldrop.
- Weaving—Mary Johnson, Lucille Davis, Inez Rhyne, Irene Burroughs, Betty Martin.
- Cloth Room—Margie Waldrop.
- Quality Control—Dealva Jacobs, Irene Burroughs, Catherine Isham.
- Winding—Dorcas Atkinson, Ann Stephenson, Mayzelle Lewis.
- Shop—Cramer Little.
- Warehouse—Anne Carpenter.
- Main Office—Mozelle Brockman.
- Superintendent's Office—Sue Van Dyke.
- Personnel Office—Christine Clark.

### VOICE OF FIRESTONE PROGRAM SCHEDULE

<b>September 15 — Nadine Conner</b>		
Come Boys, from Romberg		Orchestra & Chorus
"Student Prince"		
All the Things You Are Kern		Conner
Wedding of the Painted Doll Brown		Orchestra
Sempre Libera, from Verdi		Conner
"La Traviata"		
Barcarolle, from Offenbach		Conner & Chorus
"Tales of Hoffman"		
Overture, Donna Diana Reznicek		Orchestra
Tales from the Strauss		Conner & Chorus
Vienna Woods		
<b>September 22 — Thomas L. Thomas</b>		
Rangers Song, from Tierney		Orchestra & Chorus
"Rio Rita"		
My Heart Stood Still Rodgers		Thomas & Chorus
Minuet Paderewski		Orchestra
Another Mile Suesse		Thomas
Invictus Huhn		Thomas
Kol Nidrei Bruch		Orchestra
March of the Grenadiers Echertzinger		Thomas & Chorus