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What's your hobby? Whatever it is it should be entered in the 1952 Fall Festival and Hobby Show. See any Recreation Council member for application blanks.

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Fall Festival And Hobby Show To Open October 6

Lee R. Jackson Honored On 40th Year With Co.

LEE R. JACKSON, President of The Firestone Tire & Rubber Company, was honored by fellow directors and other employees on his 40th anniversary with the Company, September 3.

Hundreds of friends and associates of Mr. Jackson called at his office or sent congratulatory messages during the day.

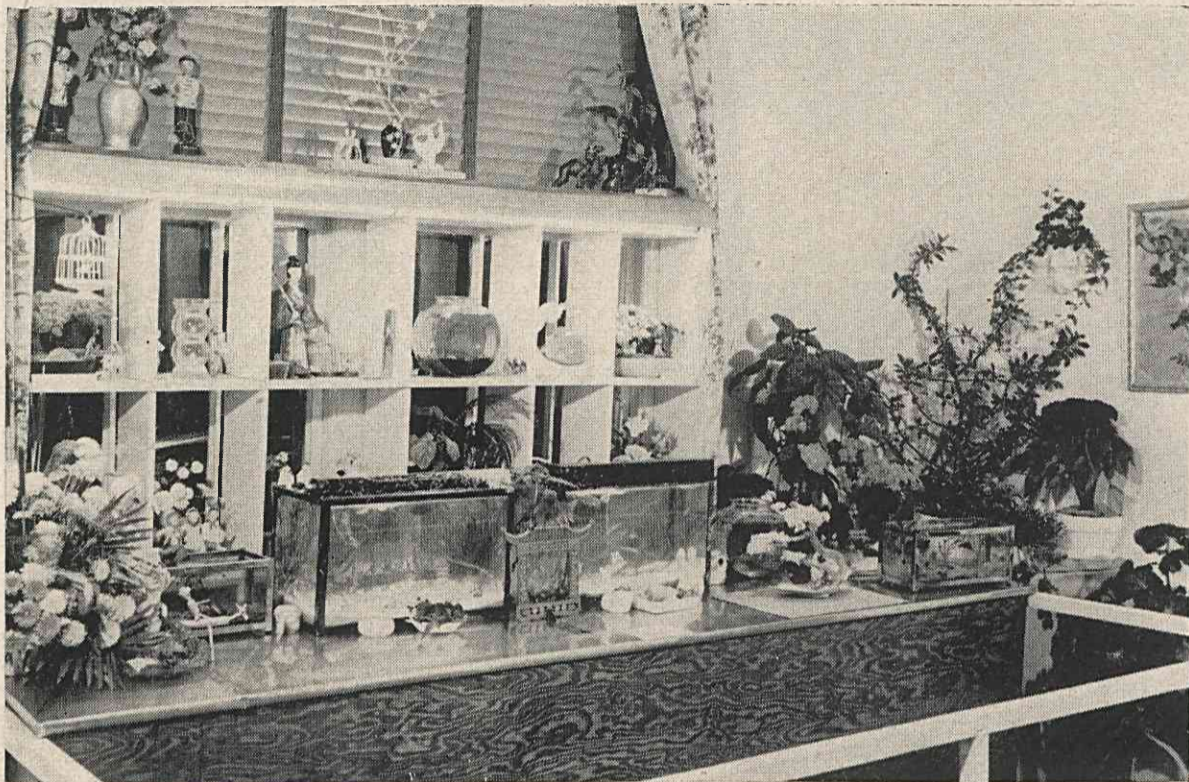
Highlight of the occasion was the presentation to Mr. Jackson by Harvey S. Firestone, Jr., Chairman, of a silver plate engraved with the signatures of his fellow members of the Board of Directors. He also received a diamond-set pin and \$200 check, traditionally given by the Company to employees of 40 years' service.

The silver plate was inscribed with this message: "To Lee R. Jackson with the affection and esteem of the directors upon his fortieth anniversary with Firestone."

Mr. Jackson was born in Akron, Ohio, April 28, 1891.

Following his graduation from Akron High School in 1909, he entered Buchtel College, which is now known as the University of Akron, with chemistry as his major study. He was one of Akron's outstanding athletes, being a member of the varsity football team for three years and captain of the 1910 team which has always been considered Akron's greatest team. He also participated in all other major sports.

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THE TROPICAL FISH AQUARIUM pictured above was selected by last year's Hobby Show Judges as the best exhibit in the 1951 show. Mrs. W. R. Turner of 102 South Firestone plans to re-enter this prize winner in the 1952 Hobby Show, opening October 6 at Firestone Dining Hall.

Winning 1951 Entry To Compete Again In Hobby Show

MRS. W. R. TURNER, wife of Second Hand W. R. Turner, could stage a duel in her living room that would mean sure death to the loser. The duelists would be any two of her Fighting Vettas (tropical fish). It wouldn't take much space either for such a fight, as the Vettas—like most species of tropical fish—are small, in most cases under two inches in length.

Mrs. Turner, who started her hobby of tropical fish raising two years ago, has about 250 fish in her

collection. Most conspicuous of the lot are her Guppies of which she has 200. Other species represented are the fighting fish mentioned, and the Black Molly, Cherry Moon, Zebra, Catfish, Blind Cave Fish, and Raspbora varieties.

According to Mrs. Turner, it takes considerable skill to successfully raise tropical fish. They're very sensitive to temperature changes, and in some cases will "freeze" if the water cools to below 65 degrees Fahrenheit. Most va-

rieties will devour their own young if possible; therefore, particular care must be given to the provision of hiding places in the tank for the helpless baby fish. Water plants of various kinds serve this purpose as well as manufacture oxygen, which is as necessary for fish as for humans.

All in all, however, it's a fascinating hobby, and one that costs little to enjoy. "These fish are natural actors and will entertain as long as there're being watched".

THE FIFTH ANNUAL Fall Festival and Hobby Show starts Monday, October 6 at the Firestone Dining Room. The event under the leadership of Chairman W. G. Henson will continue through Friday, October 10. According to The Firestone Recreation Council, sponsoring group, this will be the best planned show in the history of the event.

There will be eight entry classifications for employee exhibits as follows: Art, Flowers, Handicraft, Needlecraft, Collections, Cookery, Miscellaneous, and Booths. The latter will consist of Boy Scout, Girl Scout, and Church Booths from the Firestone Community. Cash awards and blue, red, or white ribbons will go to the top three exhibits in each class and subclass.

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In addition to Mr. Henson, plant engineer who will serve for the fifth year as chairman, the Recreation Council has announced the following Hobby Show Committees:

Booths: Hasel Cauthen and R. L. Tompkins

Entertainment: Alvin Riley, T. B. Ipock, Miss Sue Van Dyke, and Ralph Johnson

Judging: Fred Morrow and R. L. Graham

Decorations: Mrs. Helen Bolick, James Dobbins, Roland Conrad, and Milton Nichols

Flowers, Cookery, and Needlecraft: Mrs. Zula Eisenhower, Miss Nell Bolick, and Mrs. Nellie Stowe

Collections: Payton Lewis

Handicraft: Roland Conrad

Booths: S. L. Owens and Alvin Riley

Miscellaneous: C. M. Ferguson

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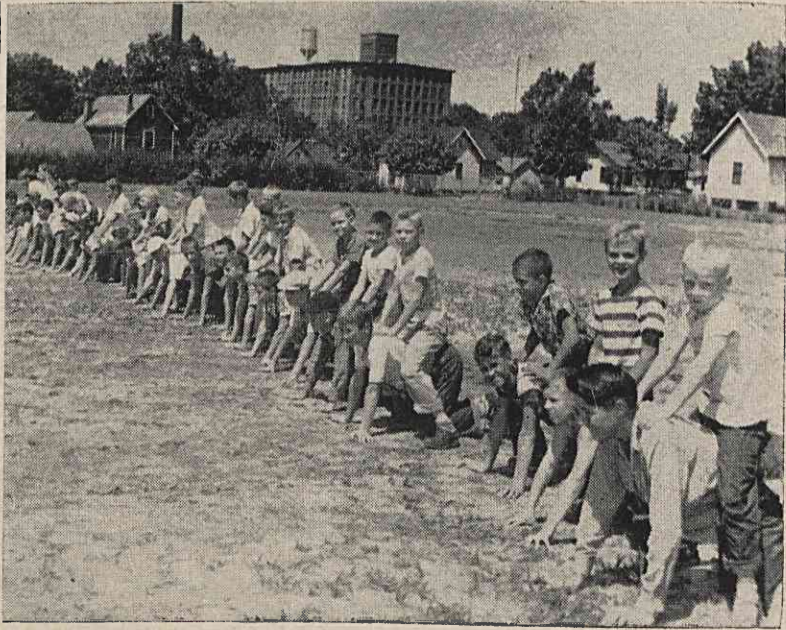
Labor Day Action At Firestone Ball Park



Waiting for the opening whistle these girls are about to be off on one of the Labor Day bike races at the ball park. Winners in this event were Bobbie Barlow, Tommy Barton, and Barbara Jones in that order.



MRS. JANE RICE demonstrates a steady hand that helped her win a prize in the apple contest. Other winners were Mesdames Helen Guffey and Bertie Conrad.



THE LINE UP: The biggest single race of Labor Day was the piggy back race. Jack and Billy Guffey (father and son) won the race handily. Runners up were Wayne Lynch and Jerry Alford, Colin Beaver and Tommy Gibson.