

NEWS IN BRIEF

SPOOLING

Pearl Welch, spooler tender, was called to Canton, N. C. because of the illness of her mother.

Junior Hart, creeler, left for the Army October 17. The employees of the Spooling Department wish Junior all the luck while in service.

Mrs. Robert Graham, winder tender, and her family attended the Clemson-Villanova football game on September 27. They spent the week end with their daughter, Mrs. Alfred Rhyne who now lives at Clemson, S. C.

The Spooling Department welcome Maggie Reed and Dot Beecom, spooler tenders, to the second shift from the third shift.

Serves Country



A/3C FREDDY R. HONEYCUTT, grandson of Fred Q. Honeycutt, can hauler, and Mrs. Honeycutt, is stationed in Japan in the Air Force. Freddy took his training at Lackland Air Base, San Antonio, Texas. His address is A/3C Freddy R. Honeycutt, AF 14403860, 58th Maint. Sq. Detch. No. 1, Box No. C - 28, A.P.O. 929, c/o Postmaster, San Francisco, Calif.

TWISTING

Miss Anna Lee Payne of Washington, D. C., spent the week of September 21 with her brother, Alford Payne, doffer.

Mrs. Mammie Stevenson, respooler, returned recently from the hospital and is improving satisfactorily.

Mr. and Mrs. Dock Queen announce the birth of a son, Timmy, weighing 8 pounds, born in Texas. Mrs. Queen is a former employee of Firestone. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Keisler, are both employees of the Twisting Department and Dock's father, H. D. Queen, works in the Carding Department.

Mrs. Juanita Beddingfield, respooler, and family spent the week end of October 4 with relatives in Blacksville, S. C.

Boyd Bolynn, twister tender, and his family, and David Wooten and his family spent the week end of October 4 at Kure Beach, N. C.

Walter L. Hughes, twister tender, his family, and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cable of Greenville, S. C., spent the week end of October 4 with relatives in McCall, S. C.

Mrs. Ellen Dixon, respooler, received a beautiful wrist watch recently from her son, Pfc. Lester Dixon who is stationed in Alaska.

WEAVING

Frank Spencer, cloth boy, and Mrs. Spencer announce the birth of a daughter, Janice Romonia on October 4, weighing 8 pounds and 13 ounces at the Garrison General Hospital.

Tracy Whitner and Mrs. Whitner, splicer, spent the week end recently in Bridgewater, N. C.

Mrs. Ruby Spencer has as her guests recently her brother, Lee Dobbins, and his family, also her mother, Mrs. Frankie Dobbins of Avondale, N. C.

Mrs. Essie Honeycutt, battery hand, her husband, George, fixer, and their family spent the week end recently at Lake James. They caught about twenty-two fish weighing around two and one-half pounds each.

Mrs. Dorothy Wilson, battery hand, her husband, Gordon, cloth room, and Mrs. Lucy Wilson spent the week end recently in the mountains.

Mrs. Mattie Witt of Rio Vista, Calif. is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Peeler, battery hand.

Horace Phillips and Mrs. Phillips, battery hand, visited her parents recently in Caeser, N. C.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Barnette of Nicholson, Ga., were the week-end guests of their daughter Mrs. K. C. McLeymore and her husband Clinton, carpenter.

Mrs. Sarah Davis, smash hand, had as week-end guests recently, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Davis of Miami, Fla.

Floy Kelly, loom fixer, has as his guest, his brother, A. L. Kelly from New Mexico.

Mrs. Pauline Moore, battery filler, who underwent an operation recently at the Gaston Memorial Hospital, has returned home and is showing much improvement.

Jack Kennedy, loom fixer is a patient at the Gaston Memorial Hospital.

R. G. Carpenter, loom fixer, and his family spent Sunday, September 29, with Bill Davis.

The Second Shift Weaving Department welcome Mrs. Bill Blaylock in their department as battery hand, and also Mrs. Risbeth Webb as battery hand.

CLOTH ROOM

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Waldrop announce the arrival of a daughter on October 1 at the Garrison General Hospital. Charles was an employee of Firestone prior to his enlistment in the Navy. He is now on the USS Keasarge in Korea.

Margaret Davis, inspector, shows much improvement after an operation at the Gaston Memorial Hospital recently.

QUALITY CONTROL

Mrs. Exie Quinn, inspector, and daughter Mrs. Jeannette Hartgrove spent the week end recently in Oak Ridge, Tenn. with Mrs. Quinn's sister, Mrs. Hazel Swann who has been very ill.

Mrs. Dealva Jacobs, inspector, and Miss Shirley Ammons spent the week end in Clemson, S. C., recently with Mr. and Mrs. Martin McCarter, Jr., the latter a daughter of Mrs. Jacobs.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Morrow announce the birth of a daughter

on Saturday, October 4. Mrs. Morrow is the daughter of Mrs. Betty Thomas, inspector.

SHOP

Roland Goins, elevator operator is out sick with the mumps. This department wishes for him a speedy recovery.

This department welcomes Plant Engineer W. G. Henson back after several weeks of illness.

Lathe Operator Cramer Little and Mrs. Little spent the week end recently on a fishing trip to Crescent Beach, S. C.

Johnny Francum and Mrs. Rosie Francum, tool room clerk, have moved from West Second Avenue to 313 South Street.

Rudolph Bulman, son of E. G. Bulman, lathe operator, has entered the Memorial Hospital in Charlotte, N. C., for treatment.

Painter Robert Laughman and Mrs. Laughman announce the birth of a son at Gaston Memorial Hospital recently.

Draftsman Roy Harwell, Jr., and Mrs. Harwell have moved recently from Ranlo to West Eighth Street.

Mrs. Clyde Foy, wife of Clyde Foy, pipe fitter, is a patient at the Memorial Hospital in Charlotte, N. C.

Swan Tino, mechanic for several years, was ordained as a Baptist minister on Sunday, September 27 at the Modena Street Baptist Church and is now serving as Pastor of the Gamble Hill Baptist Church on the Kings Mountain Highway.

This church is newly organized and has several Firestone employees as charter members. They are also in the process of building a house of worship.

Rev. Tino is well liked by the shop force and they are all wishing him much success as a Minister of the Gospel.

Robert Huss, son of Roland Huss, elevator operator, who was wounded recently in Korea, spent a leave of 72 hours with his parents. He is recovering satisfactorily from his wounds and will soon get a 25-day furlough.

PERSONNEL

The Personnel Department extends a hearty welcome to Mrs. Nell Pursley who recently joined the department as clerk and receptionist. Here's hoping she will enjoy her work and her new associates.

C. M. Ferguson, Plant Officer, and Virgil Stiles, front gate watchman, enjoyed a week's vacation in the Great Smoky Mountains. The bears must have been forewarned that the hunters were on the way for they successfully hid themselves in their lairs; however, both men say they had a wonderful time especially enjoying the food while camping out.

Bob Hood, editor of Firestone News, was chairman of the 1952 Greater Gastonia Teachers Party, held October 23 in the Masonic Temple. The project was sponsored jointly by the Junior Chamber of Commerce, The Merchants Association, and The Senior Chamber of Commerce.

Super Transport Tire



TOP Firestone officials report they are ready to supply the growing demands of truckers for the newest and safest tires available. The Super Transport tire (left), just announced, and the Transport tire, which was introduced during the summer months, assure truck operators of substantial cost reductions because they wear longer and provide greater safety traction, according to H. D. Tompkins (left), Vice-President in Charge of Sales of The Firestone Tire and Rubber Company. Firestone's Tire Sales Manager, C. S. Gischel (right), reports that improved rubber compounds and stronger cord bodies in these tires give them toughness heretofore unknown in the tire manufacturing industry. Both tires are available through Firestone dealers and stores.

Improved Rubber, Stronger Cord Body Add Traction, Wear To New Truck Tire

A NEW TRUCK TIRE that has delivered up to 50 per cent more mileage in tests and actual fleet operations was announced recently by H. D. Tompkins, Vice-President in Charge of Sales, The Firestone Tire & Rubber Company. "The new Firestone Super Transport truck tire," according to Mr. Tompkins, "has an extra thick base tread which will assure truck operators of thousands of extra miles of service. It is available now in a complete range of sizes."

The tread design of five continuous ribs practically eliminates cupping and wiping, and the contour of the tire is flatter and wider to provide maximum driving traction, better stopping and longer wear.

Other advanced features incorporated in the new tire, according

to the announcement, include a reinforced, stepped-down shoulder treatment for greater strength and cooler running; a heavier, stronger, wider bead with extra chafers for greater stability on the rim, and a new body made of super gum-dipped, tension-dried cord that prevents growth and cracking.

"The new Firestone Super Transport truck tire," Mr. Tompkins says, "is the only all-wheel position tire with maximum skid depth on the market."

September Bride



MRS. SHELDON SPENCER, formerly Margaret Howard, was married to Sheldon Whitesides Spencer Saturday, September 18, at the Alexis Baptist Church. Mrs. Spencer is an employee in the Payroll Department.

Millon Street Parking Area Opens November 1

A NEW PARKING LOT for use by second shift employees will be ready for use by November first, according to Plant Engineer W. G. Henson. The lot, which is in two sections on Millon street between Second and Franklin Avenues, will accommodate 91 cars—51 in the South Section, 40 in the North.

The lot will be surfaced with asphalt, fenced, and painted with white lines to indicate parking spaces. The present second shift parking area will be reserved for visitors and office employees after the new lot is opened. It is believed that this new lot will greatly help to relieve the parking shortage in the vicinity of the plant.