

# NEWS IN BRIEF

## SPOOLING

Mrs. Louise Jones, spooler tender, and her husband, Windom, spent a week end visiting the former's parents in Lula, Ga.

Mrs. Addie Deaton, spooler tender, spent a week end with her son, Jimmy Reynolds and his family in Bennettsville, S. C.

C. J. Cox, husband of Mrs. Brandon Cox, reclamer, is undergoing treatment at the Gaston Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Sallie Dempsey of Columbia, S. C., is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Lucille Fowler, spooler tender.

Second Hand Milton Nichols and his family toured the mountains recently.

Mrs. Lelia Wilson, reclamer, and her husband, Gomer, spent a week end in Greenville, S. C.

Yarn Checker Norman Price and his family visited relatives in Waynesville, N. C., recently.

## SHOP

Engineer Harold Umstott of Akron was the speaker at the Men's Fellowship Club at West End Methodist Church recently. Mr. Umstott is an active member of Main Street Methodist Church in Akron. His talk and pictures of his travels in Europe and South America were enjoyed by the men.

Carpenter John Mitchell, Mrs. Mitchell, their daughter and Mrs. Bessie Mitchell visited Mr. and Mrs. James Wheeler of Charleston, S. C. recently. Mrs. Wheeler is the daughter of Mrs. Bessie Mitchell and a sister of John Mitchell.

Shop employees who enjoyed vacations recently were Howard Moore, Joe Burroughs, James Crawford, Paul Nolen, Alfred Crawford and Vergil Stiles.

Miss Phoebe Pearson, Shop Office, reports a very interesting and enjoyable vacation in the Quebec and New Brunswick provinces of Canada.

Of special interest in Moncton was the "Tidal Bore," whose wall of water ranges from a few inches to four feet in height, and the "Magnetic Hill" where your car goes up hill backward without any power, gathering speed to the top. It goes up frontwards without power but at a much slower rate of speed.

The Reversing Falls at Saint John were a wondrous work of nature. This was caused by the rise and fall of the tides of the Bay of Fundy.



Miss Betty Little, daughter of Lathe Operator Cramer Little and Mrs. Little, entered Tulane University, New Orleans, La., to study for her master's degree in social work.

Plumber Lowery Davis and Mrs. Davis spent their vacation recently visiting their daughter, Mrs. Robert Jenkins and her husband in Harlingen, Texas. Mr. and Mrs. Davis also visited in Mexico.

Mrs. Rosie Francum, tool room clerk, and her daughter, Jane, had as their guest recently, Miss Patsy Jones of Raleigh, N. C.

Shop employees vacationing in September were Edward Taylor, William Miller, Ralph Dalton, Clyde Foy, Robert Harmon, Paul Barker, James Ledford, Gentry Tindall, Robert Passmore and Bernard Alm.

## WINDING

New employees in the Winding Department are Winder Tenders Louise Medlin, Sarah Smith and Ruth Cloninger.

Dorothy Perry and Mable Mantooth have returned to work after several days of absence.

Winder Tenders Helen Rhyne and Rilla Sarvis have been out sick for several days.

Mrs. Hazel Nolen, winder tender, had as week end guest, her brother Thurston People of Greenville, S. C.

Jerry Buchanan, son of Mrs. Judy Buchanan, winder tender, spent a few days in the hospital.

Larry M. Frady, son of Yarn Packer William Frady, spent the week end at home recently. Larry is stationed at Fort Jackson, S. C.

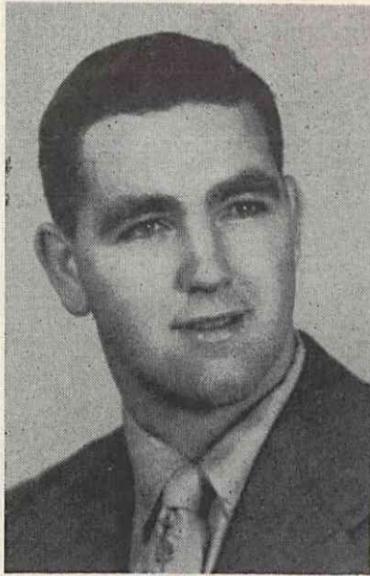
New yarn packers in the Winding Department are William Frady and Ernest Meek.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Dellinger and their daughter spent a week end visiting Mr. and Mrs. Vance Royster in Fallston, N. C.

Mesdames Mae Grindle, Hazel Paterson, Lillian Scism, and Miss Bertha Dettmar have returned to work in the Winding Department.

Mrs. Mayzelle Lewis, winder tender, and her husband spent the week end recently in Asheville, N. C.

George Mantooth, son of Mrs. Seattle Mantooth, winder tender,



Jerry Bryson, son of Mrs. Maude Bryson, Spinning Department, has entered the University of North Carolina on a four-year scholarship given by the Optimist Club.

has joined the United States Air Force.

Mrs. Faye Ross, winder tender, is undergoing treatment at a local hospital.

## WEAVING

Weaver Carl Stewart and Mrs. Stewart were happy to have their son, Carl, Jr., home for the week end. Carl won a Firestone Scholarship and is studying for the ministry at Duke University.

Fixer Roy Ward and Mrs. Ward, change hand, has as their guests, Mr. and Mrs. R. K. Franklin and son of El Paso, Texas. Mrs. Franklin is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ward.

Mrs. Tom Mathis, smash hand, spent a few days with her brother, Sgt. Frank Miller in Durham, N. C. Sgt. Miller has just returned from duty in Korea.

The employees of the Weaving Department welcome the following employees to their department:

Mesdames Ailine Smith, Mae Belle Blaylock and Edna Emmitt, battery hands, and also Quill Boy James Champion.

Rosetta Van Dyke, battery hand, and Blanche Elmore, weaver, have returned to work after a leave of absence.

## WAREHOUSE

Henry Gordon has returned to work after a recent operation at Gaston County Negro Hospital.

The Warehouse employees welcome the following new employees: Trucker Smith Herndon, Finley Williams and Alvin L. Wright.

## PERSONNEL

Mrs. Zula Eisenhower was host to Mrs. J. H. Hooten of Atlanta, Georgia, during the week of October 4, 1954. Mrs. Hooten is a former resident of Gastonia, N. C. Mrs. Eisenhower also spent the week end of October 9, 1954, in Rocky Mount, visiting friends.

Ralph Johnson was on vacation from September 27, to October 11, 1954. He spent his vacation in leisure at home.



Miss Joyce Ann Thornton, daughter of Twister Tender Paul Thornton and Mrs. Thornton, left September 9 for A. S. T. C., Boone, where she will resume her studies as a member of the sophomore class.

# Five Suggestion Winners Tell Why They Turn In Ideas

Ideas Are Money! There Is a Better Way! There Is a Safer Way! and many more like these.

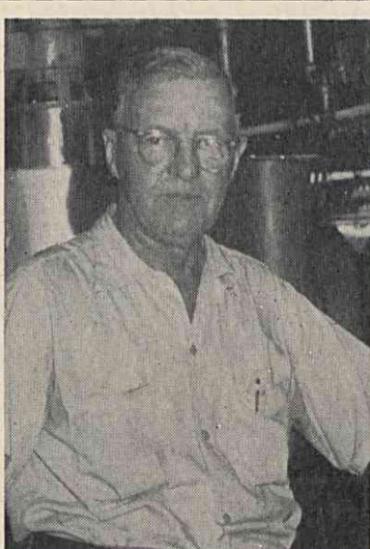
Recognize these? Many employees do and heed these wise words of advice. These people are the spinners, mechanics, loom fixers and all the others who turn in suggestions to better production and safety methods. They are the men and women who make Firestone Textiles a better place to work, who make their own job easier and safer.

Not only are they helping to build a better plant, but they also take home suggestion checks.

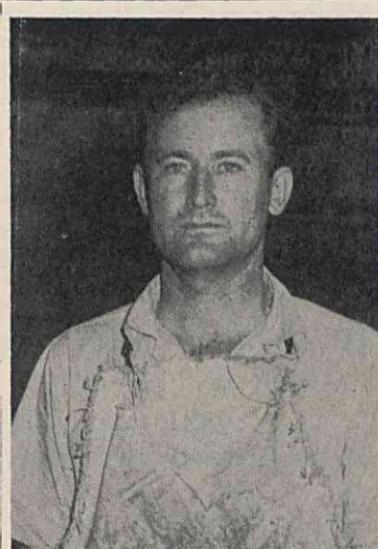
Surely this is reason enough to start jotting down ideas that will improve your job and turn them in. The money you win will help you out financially and at the same time help others. But even better, hear the words of those employees who have won many awards. The inquiring reporter asked these five people why they, as winners of suggestion awards, turn in their ideas. Remember you can't win an award if you don't turn in your ideas.



J. C. Ruff, loom fixer in the Weaving Department, said, "I think it helps increase production and also makes the job easier. If something can be improved to make it less hazardous, I turn it in. Although the suggestion awards are sometimes small, the amounts add up. Winning an award is just like receiving money from home."



"When I see something that can be improved and will benefit the Company and the people working in my department," N. L. Harris said, "I turn it in." Mr. Harris, an employee in the Weaving Department, also said, "sometimes new ideas save time, waste and money. When I put in a suggestion and it doesn't get adopted, I try harder the next time."



Alva Fish, employee in the Shop, stated, "I turn in ideas because it benefits the people working here and also the Company. It sometimes improves working conditions and makes your job easier. I am always looking for new ideas which may put a little extra money in my pocket. Everyone should be a suggestioneer."



"It is a good way to get a little extra money and at the same time it helps the Company and other employees," says Mrs. Hazel Clark, tie-in-hand in the Twisting Department. "It sure gives you a wonderful feeling to know that one of your suggestions has been adopted. I am constantly on the lookout for new ideas that will help the Company and employees."



Mrs. Christine Clark, secretary to Mr. E. J. Mechem, said, "I enjoy working for a Company that permits you to offer suggestions and at the same time receive money for them if adopted. I heartily endorse the suggestion system and encourage each employee to turn in their ideas."