



HONORED FOR SERVICE IN SEPTEMBER— In the photograph at top, General Manager Harold Mercer, General Superintendent Nelson Kessell and Francis Galligan, Superintendent of the Cotton Division, appear with the employees who completed 20 years of service in September. Front row, from left: Mr. Galligan, Chester Deaton, Mr. Mercer, Carl James, Loyd Wright. Back row: Vester Ledford, W. F. Bradley, W. L.

Deese, Vernon Lovingood, Julius C. Westbrooks. In lower photograph, front row: Daisy H. Williams, Gertrude McDaniel, Vernie Dockery, Vesta Lewis, Ruth Hughes, Ada Butler. Middle row: William B. Smith, Hoyt W. Davis, Lester W. Wilson, Mr. Kessell, and John A. McMillian. Back row: Mr. Galligan, William A. Payne, Milton Nichols, and Willie Hannie.



Scouting Awards Program

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WINNER of the 1955 Harvey S. Firestone, Jr., Award was Eagle Scout Carroll C. Hudson, Jr., of Troop 6. Gastonia. Hudson, 16 years old, held 31 merit badges at the time he received the Firestone award, in late June.

For those Scouts who are interested in participating in the Awards contest, the following qualification requirements are listed:

- To qualify, the Scout will:**
- Participate in at least five overnight hikes at an approved camp site.
- Participate in at least five patrol or troop day hikes.
- Demonstrate his leadership ability within his own troop.
- Participate in patrol or troop program planning.
- Participate in at least two troop-sponsored special projects or civic good turns.
- Show advancement which, in the opinion of the judges, is satisfactory.

Demonstrate his skill in scoutcraft in the District Camporee or designated group demonstrations.

Complete a project from those listed on the back page of the Scout Declaration; he shall indicate his selection at the time of submitting his Scout Declaration.

Visit at least one other Scout unit of which he has never been a member, and give an oral report thereon to his Troop or to his Unit Leader.

SCOUTING RECORD

To qualify, the Scout will show:

Seventy-five per cent attendance at scheduled Troop Meetings.

Satisfactory participation in regular Troop, Council, and District Activities.

Strict observance of Scout Oath and Law.

SCHOLASTIC RECORD

The Scout must show satisfactory progress in his school work.

CHURCH RECORD

The Scout must produce a statement from his Parish, Priest, Rabbi, Minister or Sunday School Teacher showing satisfactory participation in a church program.

SENIOR SCOUTING

Senior Scouts are eligible for competition. The use herein of "hikes," "troops," and other Boy Scout terms shall be construed to include expeditions, cruises, units, etc. of any senior branch of Scouting. In the case of Air Scouts, participation in official model airplane meets may be substituted for participation in overnight hikes to the extent of four. (For example, an Air Scout may participate in one overnight hike and four model meets; etc.). Participation in day hikes is not required of Senior Scouts, but the Board of Judges will give credit therefor to such Senior Scouts as do participate in day hikes.

Firestone Tires At Southern 500

During the sixth annual running of the "Southern 500" on Labor Day at Darlington, S. C., Herb Thomas, winner of the big stock car race, completed the 500 miles at an average speed of 92.281 miles per hour without changing a tire.

Thomas, with a Chevrolet, was one of four drivers finishing in the first ten who ran the complete distance on Firestone's Super Sports 170, a tire developed for use by sports car enthusiasts.

Thomas, of Sanford, N. C., won permanent possession of the "Southern 500" trophy with his third victory in the Annual Labor Day Classic.

Ranks Of 20-Year Employees Growing

Long Service Records Listed For October

Thirteen employees joined the growing ranks of 20-year record holders with the coming of October. At the same time two were added to the 15-year list. And the 10-year roster had 12 added, while the 5-year list was increased by 14.

Following is the October list:

Twenty Years

Jessie Carter, Fred J. Garrett, Edna H. Harris, Shirley P. Bolding, Carding; Lennie B. Queen, Spinning; Lillie Y. Bradshaw, Spooling. Oscar Mashburn, William T. Beaver, Owen W. Green, Loyd J. Watson, Rayon Twisting; Northern L. Harris, Cotton Weaving; H. H. Allen, Quality Control; Howard Love, Main Office.

Fifteen Years

Callie B. Moore, Lennell Keenum, Refreshment.

Ten Years

Neal Lowery, Jessie Lee Am-

mons, Adrian J. Hinkle, Grady Exell, David Smith, Carding. David O. Rollins, Spinning. William Gilmore, Jud B. Whitaker, George L. Terry, John S. Bradley, Rayon Twisting. Samuel Love, Warehouse; Leonard W. Bumgardner, Quality Control.

Five Years

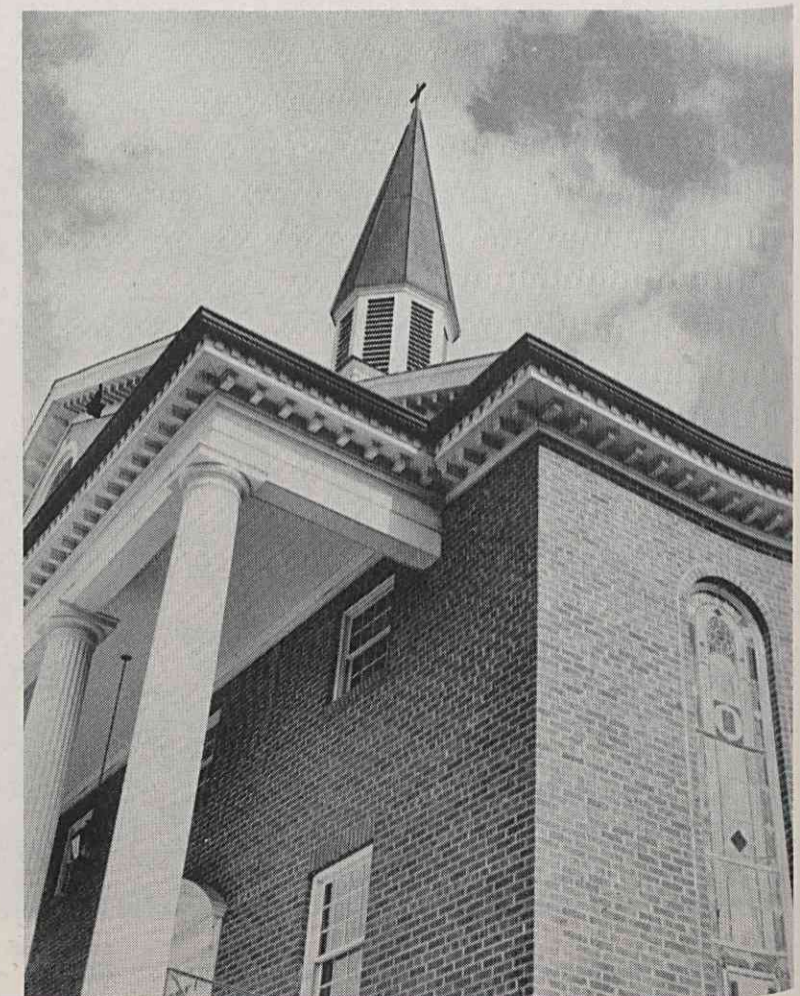
Earl W. Queen, Spinning; Pauline D. Dailey, Spooling. Broadus Moss, Dorothy W. Owenby, Betty F. Guffey, Jack L. Hall, Ernest J. Baker, Carl W. Hudson, Elene L. Dodgins, Rayon Twisting. Marcus L. Dobbins, Rayon Weaving; James Jackson, James S. Garner, Cotton Weaving. Scott J. McCarter, Shop; David Nickols, Refreshment.

THANKSGIVING DAY, 1955

'America, America! God Shed His Grace On Thee...'

From the days of the Pilgrims' first bountiful harvest to the present, America has been a goodly land.

Thanksgiving reminds us that our lives are rich, and that our opportunities are many in this land of freedom and plenty. On the first Thanksgiving, the Pilgrims, bearing Bibles and muskets, went forth to place of meeting to offer up prayers of gratitude for their blessings against a background of wilderness perils. Girded then spiritually and materially against all dangers, they serve, yet, today as our example to be girded—as were they—against all forces that imperil our land and the heritage of its freedom.



Symbolizing the rich endowment of Americans from the days of the Pilgrim Fathers to the present, is this photograph of Firestone Wesleyan Methodist Church, near the Plant.