



FIRESTONE CONTINUES to be one of the Armed Forces' leading suppliers of many items, including guided missiles produced at Los Angeles. Members of the Board of Directors are shown beside one of the missiles during a meeting there in September. From the front: Harvey S. Firestone, Jr., Raymond C. Firestone, Leonard K. Firestone, Roger S. Firestone, Lee R. Jackson, James E. Trainer, John J. Shea and Harvey H. Hollinger.



AGAIN, last year, Firestone tires were on the winning cars in all national championship race car events and in most stock car and sports car races. For the thirty-third consecutive time, Firestone tires were on the winning car in the 500-mile Indianapolis sweepstakes, and for the twenty-eighth consecutive time on the car which won the Pikes Peak Climb. Here Raymond C. Firestone congratulates the Indianapolis winner, Pat Flaherty.

The continuous service records of employees in our Akron plants, for example, revealed that thirty-one per cent of our factory and office employees have been with the Company twenty years or more, and seventy-nine per cent, five years or more. The service records of all our employees in the United States reveal that eleven per cent have been with the Company twenty years or more, and sixty per cent, five years or more.

Our Military Service Bureau is in contact with 675 Firestone employees who are on leaves of absence while serving our country in the Armed Forces, and we sent to each of them a gift box at Christmas time.

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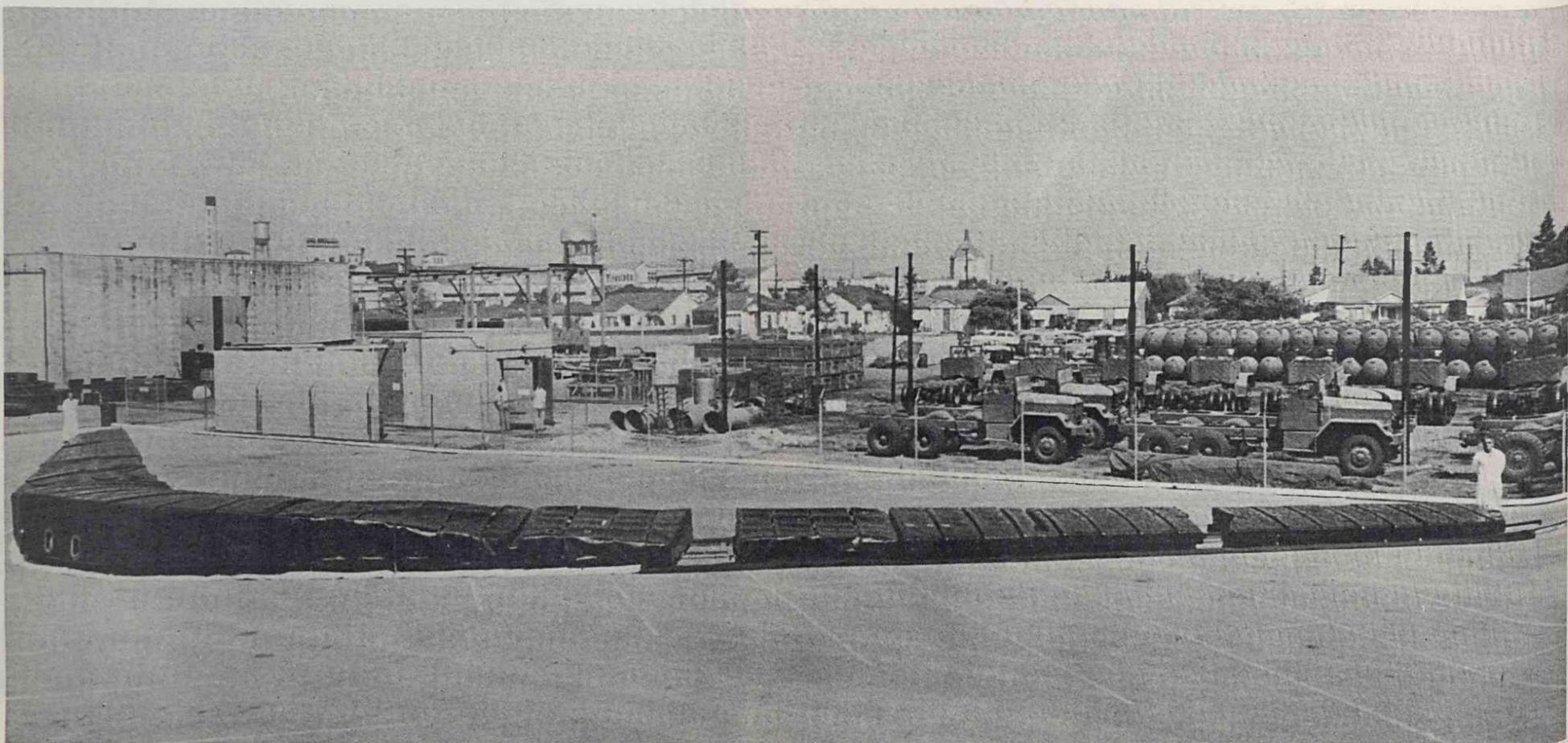
THE ACCIDENT FREQUENCY rate for the fiscal year ending October 31 was 1.2, substantially below the 1955 rubber industry average of 3.5. Many special awards and honors were given by the National Safety Council to our plants for their safety records. Pottstown and Des Moines have set new safety records for their own plants. As of January 14, Pottstown had worked a total of 5,275,000 man-hours without a lost time accident since January 24, 1956, and Des Moines, 5,685,000 hours since August 27, 1955.

A total of 50,543 men and women of Firestone and 116,397 dependents now are protected by our employees' group insurance plan which for the year paid out a total of \$7,562,326. Of this amount, \$1,347,950 was in death benefits and \$6,214,376 in disability and hospitalization.

Firestone employees in Akron contributed 1,512 pints of blood to the Red Cross, establishing an average of 137 pints a day against a quota of 125 pints. Other Firestone plants also are participating in this very worthy national program.



IN PLASTICS during the year products introduced included improved rigid Velon sheeting and additional Exon vinyl resin compounds. Here a model shows a raincoat and hat made of Firestone Velon.



FUEL CELLS required for just one B-52 bomber are shown in a test area at the Los Angeles plant, where they are produced. Seventy fuel cells are needed for each bomber.