

People and Places

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Shop

Those vacationing at Carolina Beach, N. C., recently were Assistant Plant Engineer **Hazel Cauthen**, Mrs. Cauthen; **Oscar Jacobs** and his family, and Electrician **Ronnie Rumpf** and his family.

Benchman **Jack Moore** and Mrs. Moore visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Moore in Franklin, N. C., a few days ago. From there, they went to Tellico Plains, Tenn., for a visit with Mrs. Moore's sister, Mrs. C. A. Haun.

Kure Beach, N. C., was destination of a recent trip for **Brady Robinson**, benchman, and members of his family.

Machinist **Howard Moore** and his family went to Franklin, N. C., for a visit with Mr. Moore's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Moore.

Millwright **Fred Rockett** and Mrs. Rockett spent a summer week with relatives in Tennessee and Georgia.

Plant Engineer **W. G. Henson** and his family had as guests in August, Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Gilliam of Albany, Ga., and Mrs. R. L. Warr of Columbia, S. C. Mrs. Warr is Mrs. Henson's sister.

Daytona Beach, Fla., was vacation headquarters for Roller Shop Supervisor **Paul Walker** and Mrs. Walker in late July.

Fireman **Silas Buchanan**, Mrs. Buchanan and their son, recently visited relatives in Baltimore, Md., and New York City.

Plumber **Clyde Foy**, Mrs. Foy and their son, had a vacation in Washington, D. C., where they were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Hunter. Mrs. Foy and Mrs. Hunter are sisters.

Included in the recent travels of **Troy Jones**, tinsmith, were a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Jones at Marble, N. C., and a trip to Fontana Dam and the Great Smoky Mountains National Park.

Electrician **Paul Barker** and his family went to Washington, D. C., in late July to see Mrs. Barker's sister, Mrs. B. R. Ratchford and members of her family.

Ed Foy, lathe operator, and Mrs. Foy took a trip to Myrtle Beach, S. C., in July. Others who were at Myrtle Beach recently were: **Porter McAteer**, Shop helper, who went with **David Little**, **Lawrence Murray** and **Gene Johnston**; Benchman **J. L. Patterson**, Mrs. Patterson and their daughter; **Miss Phoebe Pearson**, Shop secretary, who was accompanied by Mrs. Avery Gillespie of Rock Hill, S. C.

J. B. Mitchell and his family, with **Alvin Dill** and Mrs. Dill took time out for a week's stay at Camp Firestone recently.

Ralph Dalton, lathe operator, and members of his family were at Carolina Beach, N. C., for a recent vacation.

Electrician **Ernest Austin** made Gatlinburg, Tenn., and Myrtle Beach, S. C., highlights of his summer vacation.

In Newport News, Va., Benchman **Jerry Howie** and Mrs. Howie visited with Mr. and Mrs. Billy Howie recently. Included in the trip was a stop at Virginia Beach.

Lake Waccamaw in Western North Carolina was vacation headquarters for Draftsman **Bill Gamble** and his family.

Twisting

When **W. G. Lancaster** celebrated his 71st birth anniversary recently, he was honored with a party of 40 guests. Among those present were **J. L. Lancaster** and his family and **Charles Lancaster** and Mrs. Lancaster. J. L. and Charles are sons of W. G. Lancaster.

Twisting Doffer **Odell Human** and members of his family traveled to Georgia for a recent visit with Mr. Human's mother, Mrs. Mozell Human. Before returning to Gastonia, the visitors stopped for a while at Myrtle Beach, S. C.

Mrs. **Pearl Tate**, tie-in-hand, Mr. Tate and other members of the family, together with Doffer **Henry McDaniel** and his family went to Myrtle Beach, S. C., recently for a week of vacation.

Section Man **Freddie Elkins**, Mrs. Elkins, tie-in-hand, and others of the family visited a few days ago at Fontana Dam and Cherokee, N. C.

Doffer **Osborne Sherrill**, Mrs. Sherrill and the family have returned home from a seven-day stop at Myrtle Beach, S. C.

Mrs. **Ruth Carpenter**, reclamer, and children Carolyn, Annette, Dennis and David visited Mrs. Carpenter's brother, Loyd Huss and his family at Chase City, Va.

Fontana Dam, Cherokee and Maggie Valley in Western North Carolina were main stops on the recent travels of Doffer **Otho Davis** and his family.

Mount Mitchell, N. C., was a main point of interest on a trip made by Doffer **J. L. Grant** and members of his family. While in that area, they visited Hoover Grant, brother of J. L.

Mrs. Pat Towery of Atlanta, Ga., spent a July week with her sister, Mrs. **Nervie Barbee**, spooler tender.

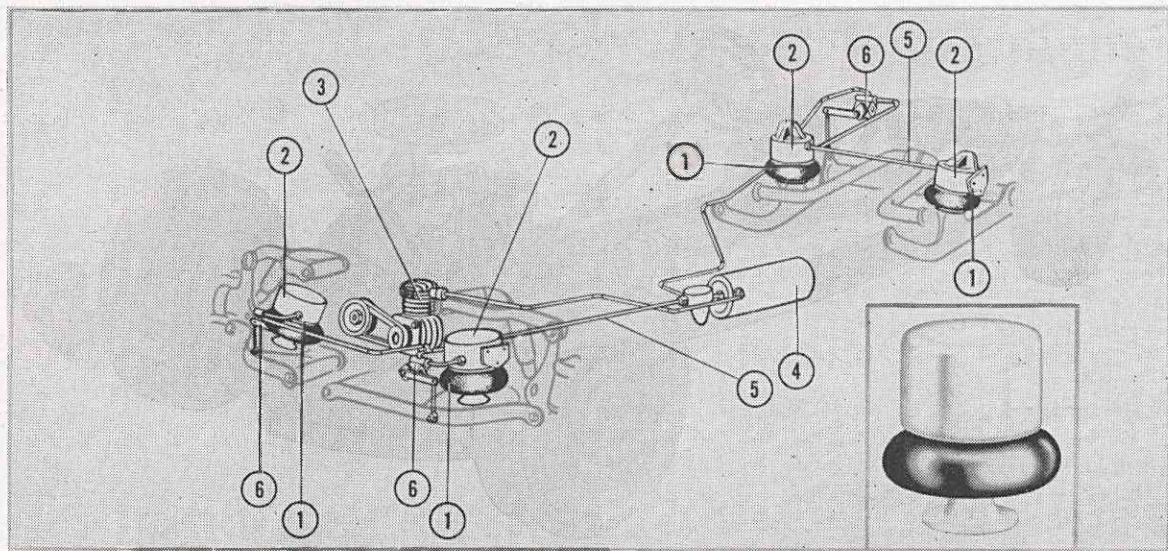
Roy Ball, cloth roll wrapper, and **Trula Ball**, spooler tender, vacationed in Asheville, N. C., a few days ago.

Spooling

New Orleans, La., was the vacation destination of **Lee Lattimore**, spooler tender. There she visited her mother, Mrs. Mamie Chapman, and sister, Mrs. Marie Smith.

Rosalie Burger, creeler, and members of her family visited in Bryson City, N. C., with Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Wiggins.

Included on a recent week-end trip for **Vera Shorti**, spooler tender and her family were stops at Lake Lure and Chimney Rock, N. C.



RIDE ON AIR—If your future automobile is equipped with suspension springs, here's the way the system will work. Connecting air lines, reservoir tanks, rubber-and-fabric bellows, levelizing valves and an air compressor go to make up the Airide system developed by Firestone. Compressed air, regulated by special levelizing valves, is forced into the bellows chamber to compensate

for heavy loads, or allowed to escape in the case of lighter loads. This view shows the Airide spring (black) and reservoir mounted on its pedestal. Component parts are (1) Airide bellows of rubber and nylon; (2) Air reservoirs; (3) Air compressor; (4) Central air supply tank; (5) Air supply lines; (6) Levelizing valves.

Nylon Featured In Firestone Airide Springs

The Noblesville, Ind., Firestone Airide plant which went into full-scale production in July, is the first in the industry built expressly for the production of rubber air springs.

Synthetic fabric (Nylon), such as processed at the Gastonia plant, is featured in the construction of Airide springs by Firestone, which will be offered as optional equipment on several 1958 model cars.

"The new suspension system is the greatest advance in riding comfort since introduction of the pneumatic tire in the early 1900s," said Executive Vice President, J. E. Trainer.

"Motorists in Airide equipped cars will experience a smoother ride than many of us thought

possible a few years ago," Mr. Trainer continued.

A MAJOR bus company recorded 300,000,000 miles on Firestone air springs. Trucking firms also reported traveling millions of trouble-free miles on the new suspension system.

"We have on record many cases of air springs on buses operating for 600,000 to 700,000 miles without evidence of wear or weakening. That is about five times greater than the average life of a set of steel springs," he noted.

Records show that maintenance costs for air spring operation are considerably below steel spring upkeep. A bus company executive reported Airide springs were the first significant

innovation that gave almost no trouble from the beginning. Repair bills were so low the company discarded its maintenance records.

Firestone has been developing and testing air springs for more than 20 years. They were first designed and tested in 1934 by the Company's engineering department.

The new system was adopted by a major automotive firm in 1944 and tests were started on trucks and buses. Airide springs were made optional equipment on the heavy vehicles in 1953.

Since early development, air springs have been used on airplane landing gear, industrial machinery, trains, buses and trucks.

It was a visit with relatives and friends in Gastonia for **Elsie Hullander**, former Firestone employee, and her daughter of Alexandria, Va.

Frances Player, winder tender, had as week-end guests in August Mrs. Joe Daniels and daughter Sheila of Columbia, S. C.

Maggie Reed, starter maker, and Roy Fullbright visited their sister at Murphy, N. C., in August.

Vacationing at Atlantic City, N. J., in July were **Aileen Brimer**, spooler tender, Mr. Brimer and their daughter.

Pauline Dailey, warper helper, Mr. Dailey, Twisting, and their children spent some time with relatives in Athens, Ga., recently.

Touring Florida on vacation in late summer were **Mildred Smith**, warper helper, and members of her family.

It was a mountains-to-coast vacation for **Helen Reel**, winder tender, Mr. Reel, Weaving, and members of their family. The Reels spent some time at Kure Beach and at Cherokee, N. C.

Spinning

Guests of Doffer **W. E. Pope** and Mrs. Pope on August 3 and 4 were Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Wappler of Glenshaw, Pa.

J. W. Hartgrove, doffer, is reported to be improved, after recent treatment in Gaston Memorial Hospital.

Weaving

Will Howard, warper tender, and members of his family were in Bryson City, N. C., recently.

Spending several summer days at Myrtle Beach, S. C., were **Max Carey**, weaver, and his family.

Loom Fixer **Cole Whittaker** and Mrs. Whittaker have returned from a visit with their daughter in Washington, D. C.

In recent weeks Loom Fixer **Bill Morris** and his family visited relatives in Eastern North Carolina.

Some fishing at Little River was a chief item of interest on the vacation of Weaver **Albert Wyley**.

Grady Wyley, quill hand, and some of his friends made a trip to Kure Beach, N. C., a few days ago. **Ethel Robinson**, change hand, is another employee who spent some time recently at Kure Beach.

Ethel Cole, weaver, went to see relatives in Florida in late July.

A trip to Eastern North Carolina and then to Florida was on the vacation travels of **Clyde Hager**, tie-in machine operator.

High Grade Record At Her Graduation

When Therese Mary Galligan was graduated from Charlotte's Mercy Hospital School of Nursing in August, she had the highest over-all grade average in the class of 40 members.

Miss Galligan, daughter of Cotton Division Superintendent F. B. Galligan, and Mrs. Galligan, was graduated from Sacred Heart Junior College, Belmont, with a degree in applied arts.

As a gifted musician, Miss Galligan has won numerous awards. She has presented voice selections on many public programs.

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