



GOING PLACES... SEEING THINGS

November Sparkles With Travel Suggestions

Carding

Mrs. Fred Towery spent two weeks with her son, Sgt. Bobby Towery and Mrs. Towery in Washington, D. C., recently. **Fred Towery** is a card tender in this department.

Katie D. Mason, roving hauler, had as visitors in late October her grandson, Seaman second class James Patterson and Mrs. Patterson.

Sam Bates, drawing fixer, spent a recent vacation with friends and relatives in South Carolina. While there, he took advantage of the opening days of the hunting season.

Cloth Room

Among those spending the weekend at Bridgewater just before Camp Firestone closed for the season were: **Mrs. W. G. Henson**, burler, and **Mr. Henson**, plant engineer; **Mrs. Milton Nichols**, burler, **Mr. Nichols** and the children.

Mrs. Charles Lovelace of Cleveland, Ohio was a recent guest in the home of **Mrs. Jenny Johnson**, burler.

Bonnie Moses, burler, spent a recent weekend in Asheville with relatives.

Edna Champion, burler, and her daughter, Ann, spent an October weekend with relatives in Greenville, S. C.

Main Office

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Matthews and their son Randy, and Mrs. Torrence Beasley of Lindale, Texas, recently visited **Doris McCready** of Payroll.

Margie Hill, Payroll, was in a local hospital a few days for a check-up in late October.

Pansy Falls, Payroll, is back home, after having undergone major surgery.

F. B. Harrison, chief accountant, went with his family for a week's vacation trip to Rocky Mount, N. C., in late October.

Personnel

On a week's vacation in late October, **Flora Pence**, receptionist and typist in Industrial Relations, visited her brother, **Samuel Honeycutt** and his family in Akron, Ohio. For a number of years Mr. Honeycutt worked at the plant here, before being transferred to the Company's headquarters about a year ago. In Akron he is assigned to the textile division in the office of Firestone Textiles President William A. Karl.

Employment Manager **Charles M. Ferguson** devoted much of his recent vacation to Civil Air Patrol communications activities.

Safety Director **Alvin Riley** attended the National Safety Congress in Chicago in late October. On one day of the week-long program, Mr. Riley joined other safety personnel from the Company for a special session relating to problems of accident prevention in Firestone plants.

Lt. and Mrs. Paul R. Bauer of Bethesda, Md., visited the **Claude Callaway** family October 16. Lt. Bauer, a graduate of Bowman Gray School of Medicine, is with the Navy medical service in Washington. Also visiting the Callaways in October were relatives Mr. and Mrs. Otis Roberson of Charlotte and Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Wright of Roanoke, Va. —More on Page 8

The Great Smoky and Blue Ridge Mountains, sunny Mid-South resorts, museums, historical sites, fishing on the coast, hunting statewide, and numerous sporting events. These things and many more make the Carolinas a land of variety for Firestone travelers in November. And activities in neighboring states add sparkle to the eleventh-month calendar.

This reminder comes from the Recreation department travel information service, which lists in this column each month suggested places for you to spend some delightful hours off-the-job and on-the-go.

The plant travel service says you should not overlook the lingering splashes of beauty in the Carolinas' autumn foliage parade, which, although at its peak in the mountains in late October, lasts well into November in the Blue Ridge foothills, the Piedmont and along the coast.

In the Sandhills and along the Southeastern Coast, sourwood and dogwood make a brilliant display through Thanksgiving.

FOR A week-end tour or a fall vacation, a trip to historic Jamestown could very well be the highlight of your travel year. There, the mammoth 350th anniversary celebration of the Nation's birth will last through November 30. This re-living of the country's beginning as the first permanent English settlement in the New World, was open to the public last May. If you go to the Jamestown Festival in November, you'll be among the more than two and one half million persons to visit the historic area during the festival season.

For an unusual experience back home in North Carolina, the travel service suggests a stop at Ansonville for a visit at the Lockhart Gaddy's Wild Goose Refuge. Here, each year, some 10,000 wild Canada geese take up their winter residence and remain until April. The flock begins landing around ten days before the first full moon in October, and continues to arrive through December.

Ansonville is some 50 miles south of Charlotte on US 74.

MUSEUMS and historical sites are all-year

attractions in North Carolina. In Raleigh, the Museum of Art offers the visitor a look at its collection of paintings valued at over \$2 million, and including pieces from many of the world's greatest masters.

In the Moravian community of Old Salem, now being restored and preserved at Winston-Salem, travelers see beautiful old buildings dating back to the 18th Century, as well as the Wachovia Museum housing the nation's largest collection of local antiquities.

Hunting season around Lake Mattamuskeet and Currituck Sound begins November 7 and will continue through January 15 on ducks, Canada geese, brants and coots. November 28 sees the opening of the season on rabbits, quail, turkey, woodcock and Wilson's Snipe. Statewide, the game season on bear, deer and wild boar has been open since October 15.

HIGH on the November travel calendar for the Gastonia area is the 11th annual Carolinas Carousel on Thanksgiving Day in Charlotte. The gay parade and festive holiday atmosphere have become traditional with people of the Mid-South states.

At the University of North Carolina Morehead Planetarium, you may see the Christmas story, in the ninth annual showing of "Star of Bethlehem" beginning November 26 and continuing through January 6.



More than 10,000 wild Canada geese spend the winter at Gaddy's Refuge near Ansonville.

Company Must Save For Depreciation Costs

Just as any budget-minded person must set aside money to maintain his home or car, or replace home furnishings, so must the Company set aside part of its earnings for maintenance and replacement of equipment and buildings.

In order to assure future operations and continued jobs for its employees, Firestone must save money each year to meet the costs of depreciation in its plants.

There are thousands of different machines in our plants. And these machines and other facilities are wearing out all the time they are in operation. Unless money is set aside to replace them when they are no longer usable, the Company then would have to go out of business.

For example, consider the spinning frame. There are almost 200 in the Gastonia plant, not to mention the other textile mills of the Company. Every few years these machines must be retreaded and overhauled,

in order to keep up the operating standards required for the best quality production. This costs thousands and thousands of dollars. A single new frame costs in the neighborhood of \$10,000.

That money must come from the Company's earnings, just as each individual knows that the money for his new car or new refrigerator must be saved from his earnings.

In order to insure its future existence and jobs for its employees, the Company last year alone set aside a total of \$36,933,867 for the cost of depreciation.

This is a mighty important part of the budget.

Whether it's \$2,000 for rebuilding a spinning frame, \$10,000 for a complete replacement, or \$3 for a cable twister bobbin, the Company must look ahead and save for the day when these tools wear out and when it must "put up" for new ones.

SAFETY TIPS IN USING THE ELEVATOR

Safety around elevators pays off. Here are a few tips to help prevent accidents in elevators:

- Operate elevators only if you have been authorized to do so.
- Be sure to shut all elevator gates before leaving the landing.
- Always get in after the load —don't pull it in after you.
- Report defects.

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ELECTRICITY — A HAZARD IN EVERY PLANT

Electricity is used throughout all plants for lighting and power. It can be dangerous if handled unwisely. Respect it and use it as intended and there is little danger. If you turn on the switch to your machine and see sparks, or if something seems wrong, notify your foreman or the electrician. When working, watch out for frayed or worn wiring and report it. Keep away from unauthorized locations.

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