



MOST RECENT addition to the 20-year record holders list was Frances Brewer of Cotton Weaving. Presentation of her service pin and gold watch by General Manager Harold Mercer honored her score of years' employment. There was an extra word of congratulation from Industrial Relations Director Thomas Ipock.

13 Added To 15-Year List; Other Service Milestones

The honor roll of those people who have reached the two-decade service mark here remained at 276 for January. But the next length-of-service category marked up 13 additions to its roster.

Joining the 15-year group were:

Paul J. Torrence, Carding; Sam Bunton, George H. Weaver, Spinning; Gwynn Hardin, Spooling; Ellen C. Dixon, George W. Davis, Rayon Twisting.

Gladys B. McClure, Bonnie Anderson, Rayon Weaving; Clyde L. Payne, Cotton Weaving; Dorothy A. Wilson, Cloth Room; John W. Holland, Lester P. Brown, Boss Parson, Mechanical Department.

Each of these persons has received his service pin.

Also receiving service pins in January were:

Ten Years

Willie W. Goble, Spinning; Lura C. Bell, Lucy W. Conner, Delsie E. Merritt, Spooling; J. B. Easler, Rayon Twisting; Buster G. Stiles, Roy T. Hardy, Rayon Weaving; Helen F. Heffner, Cloth Room; A. D. McCarter, Shop.

Five Years

James A. Truesdale, Howard E. Nix, Spooling; Fred H. Holloway, Joe Billy Neal, James H. Thompson, Dillard Gilbert, Bayard M. Gunter, Pearl W. Tate, Rayon Twisting.

Parks D. Stiles, Rayon Weaving; Horace Armstrong, Warehouse; Harold Robinson, Nylon Multi-Stage Unit; William Roberts, Quality Control; Leeroy Palmer, Winding; Cicero H. Falls, Shipping.

In a small town in Louisiana, there is a general store which has a sign above the counter, reading:

"Credit is extended only to those who have reached the age of 80 and are accompanied by their parents."

Brotherhood Is More Than A Word



By James Kerney, Jr., Editor, The Trenton (N.J.) Times

Brotherhood is like the weather. Nearly everybody talks about it.

There isn't much any of us can do about rain or snow. But there's a lot all of us can do about Brotherhood.

Of course, we pay it lip service. We know that our Constitution gives everybody civil rights, including freedom of worship and belief, freedom to think and read and speak. We all speak up for these constitutional liberties. And talk about Brotherhood, just talk, itself, is a good thing. It keeps us thinking about our neighbors and it keeps advertising the need for understanding.

WE NEED TO REMIND ourselves that democracy is a system of free men banded together to keep freedom in a free country. Freedom can flourish only where there is understanding. Prejudices and discrimination, intolerance and persecution exist only where there is ignorance. That's why talk about Brotherhood is good for democracy.

Beyond talk, there is more we can do. All over America there are organizations helping to spread Brotherhood. There is the National Conference of Christians and Jews, and there are Councils for Human Relations in many cities. There is the great work of the Boy Scouts and the Girl Scouts which helps promote Brotherhood. Giving blood to the Red Cross is Brotherhood at work. For that matter, a simple "hello" to a neighbor is Brotherhood.

February 16-23 is Brotherhood Week and we are more conscious right now of what Brotherhood means. It will help America and every American to make every week Brotherhood Week.

Bond Purchasing At 97.1 Of Employment

As of mid-January, Firestone Textiles people were buying U. S. Savings Bonds at the rate of 97.1 per cent of the employment. This high figure, being maintained since the "Share in America" special Bonds sales booster early last fall, was announced by Orville K. Forrester, Bonds sales chairman.

Mr. Forrester, overseer in Spooling - Winding, pointed out that the recently-compiled figure of 97.1 is the same as the rate achieved in late 1956, a record up to the time of the "Share in America" campaign.

The all-time high level of Bonus buying here was realized last September, when the plant registered 99.2 per cent of its employment under the Payroll Savings Plan.

"I believe the high rate of purchase being maintained here definitely indicates that our people are becoming more and more convinced of what a bargain they're getting in Savings Bonds," said Mr. Forrester. He added: "In these days of concern over the most for your money, you can hardly beat the Payroll Savings Plan, especially after the recent increase in interest rate and the shorter term of maturity for Series E Bonds."

THIS led Mr. Forrester to review the following facts concerning Series E Bonds:

1. When held to maturity they now earn 3 1/4 per cent interest. The former rate was 3 per cent.
2. Bonds mature in 8 years, 11 months. This is 9 months earlier than the old time rate.
3. Bonds now pay a higher yield of return in the earlier years: 2 1/4 per cent if held for one year; 3 per cent if held 3 years.
4. They may be purchased in same amounts as formerly: \$25, \$50, \$100, \$200, \$500, \$1,000 and \$10,000.
5. They still sell at the former prices: \$18.75 for a \$25 Bond; \$37.50 for \$50; \$75 for \$100, for example.

Remember these outstanding features of Bonds:

1. They are replaceable if destroyed. The U. S. Treasury will make good any Bonds that

are lost, stolen, mutilated, or destroyed—provided you have a record of their serial numbers.

2. They have a guaranteed rate of return over a period of years.

3. They have guaranteed redemption values—not subject to

the risks of market ups-and-downs.

4. They can be cashed in anywhere in the United States.

5. They are backed by the full faith and credit of the United States Government.

For E Bonds issued beginning with February, 1957:

Save Each Week	And You Will Have		
	In 3 Years	In 5 Years	In 8 Years and 11 Months
\$ 2.50	\$ 404	\$ 695	\$ 1,330
3.75	605	1,044	1,997
5.00	808	1,392	2,663
6.25	1,010	1,741	3,331
7.50	1,212	2,089	3,998
12.50	2,020	3,483	6,665
18.75	3,031	5,226	10,000

Real Gasoline Engine Drives This Sputnik Trail Blazer

That daily trip to the mailbox once was a routine chore for Donald Stiles, eight-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Stiles of Dallas. Now, every weekday, Donald eagerly awaits the mail trip because the journey up and down the long country lane is made in a sleek miniature auto, under the throbbing power of a real gasoline engine.

The vehicle was assembled at the Stiles' farm home shop on Route 1, Dallas. Work was done by the deft hands of Donald's father, for more than 16 years a Firestone weaver in Synthetics. Credit, too, should go to Willie Tench, quiller fixer in Synthetics Weaving.

The plywood and tubular-iron-frame runabout boasts the name "Sputnik Trail Blazer." A little more than five feet long and around 30 inches wide, it is capable of rolling to a maximum speed of 10 miles an hour on 10-inch lawnmower wheels.

The source of power is a one-and-one-half horsepower mower engine hitched to a V-belt and friction-clutch arrangement. This

drives the rubber-tired wheels by a sprocket chain. Mr. Stiles explains that the auto is usually geared to four or five miles top speed, rated by use of a smaller drive pulley to reduce the speed.

Mr. Tench made his contribution to the project by welding the frame of the one-inch iron piping. Donald's father designed and constructed the thick plywood body and finished it off in green and black enamel.

When Donald takes his "Trail Blazer" on a ride, he keeps it where it belongs with a standard Model "A" Ford steering wheel. The wheel, with the heavy screen front grille, gives the craft a nifty appearance.



Weaver Ray Stiles and son Donald hauled the homemade car in a pickup truck from Dallas to Gastonia, for a demonstration run. Here Mr. Stiles cranks the engine, as his son is all set for a spin around one of the Firestone parking lots in front of Main Office.



If It's Lost—IR Office May Have It

Now and then there are lost-and-found items turned in to the front office of the Industrial Relations department. In recent weeks, for example, there have been several items such as a watch, rings, keys and eyeglasses that have been found in and around the plant.

Owners of any lost-and-found items may claim them by furnishing identification at the front office of the Industrial Relations building, main front gate.

Company Movies On Select List

Three motion pictures sponsored by the Company are in the "Golden Circle" of 11 films distributed through Association Films Incorporated, largest distributor servicing television stations with free films.

The 11 "Golden Circle" films are those in most demand and with the highest number of showings. Firestone's three titles are: "Liberia, Africa's Only Republic," with 857 showings; "Goggles and Gauntlets," the Glidden (antique auto) tour film, with 732, and "America's Future Progress Depends on Better and Safer Highways," with 727.

The 11 films in the group have been viewed by an estimated audience of more than 792,575,205 persons.