

WARP AND FILLING

# Of The Passing Scene

## Do You Remember When . . .

The nearest thing to hi-fi and stereo sound was a whole table-load of radio with a goose-neck speaker? It took minutes and lots of patience to tune out the squeals, so the sweet, magical music could drift in from the very few stations then on the airways?

—C. M. Ferguson, Personnel.

Every in-style family owned a stereoscope, with plenty of color and black-and-white pictures to view at the parlor table?

Rosa Lane.

A nickel would buy a bottle of soda pop and two small bags of peanuts?

—Ralph Johnson, Recreation.

Grandma scoured her pots and pans with brick dust and river sand?

—Bertha Clark, Weaving (synthetic).

## Race Vets 'Sell' Firestone Tires

Six prominent race drivers—devoted Firestone tire customers on the speedway and on the highway — are participating in the annual Spring Dealer Meetings being held April 7-25 in the company's 47 districts in six sales divisions across the United States.

Glen (Fireball) Roberts, winner of the 1958 Darlington, S. C. Southern "500" for stock cars, is attending meetings in the southeast division (Atlanta), service area in which Gastonia is located.

Other drivers and the divisions in which they are appearing:

Jim Rathmann, winner of the 1958 Monza, Italy, International "500", eastern.

Johnny Thompson, popular Indianapolis race driver, central.

Pat Flaherty, 1958 Indianapolis "500" winner, western.

George Amick, rookie driver

at Indianapolis who finished second in his first "500" race in 1958, southwest.

Sam Hanks, winner of the 1957 Indianapolis "500" and holder of the track speed record, coast.

These racing figures are accompanying division managers to the various meetings scheduled on separate dates during the three-week period. Theme of the meetings is "Cash In on the Big Difference in '59," emphasizing the Firestone Safety Check Inspection Program and the company's 50th year of auto racing.

Specially-produced films are being viewed at the meetings—"The Forward Outlook," featuring president Raymond C. Firestone; "Safety Check Program," with E. B. Hathaway, vice president in charge of sales; and "The Circle of Confidence," newest film on major racing events won on Firestone tires in 1958.



Marking 20 years of service in March were Mattie Passmore (second from left), Lula Morrison (receiving watch from general manager Harold Mercer), Mary Laughridge, Lula Garrison, Annie Carson, and Edna Kinsey. Also in picture:

T. B. Ipock Jr., director of Industrial Relations, and general superintendent Nelson Kessell. Ruth Bolick and Virginia Bradley, both 20-year employees as of March, were not present for the picture.

## Eight Added To List Of 20-Year Employees

Lula E. Garrison of Weaving (rayon) became the 318th person to join the roster of those who have completed 20 years of service here. She, along with seven others, received an engraved watch and a lapel pin, in recognition of long terms of employment. Others were: Mary Laughridge, Spinning; Virginia E. Bradley, Edna T. Kinsey and Ruth H. Bolick,

Twisting (rayon); Annie Carson, Mattie B. Passmore and Lula E. Morrison, Weaving (rayon).

While these passed the 20-year milestone in time spent with the company, 19 others were presented pins which recognized 5, 10 and 15-year periods of service. The list:

### Fifteen Years

Lucy Allen, Spinning; Floy L. Hollifield, Twisting (rayon); William Dye, Twisting (cotton).

### Ten Years

Dorcas E. Sutton, Jack R. Sutton, Reda M. Hoffman, Deaver Jolly, Kenneth C. Bell, Twisting (rayon). Lura Mae Daniel, Harry B. Groves, Weaving (rayon); John S. Mitchell and George W. Philbeck, Shop.

### Five Years

James Wise, Carding; George M. Hager and Dezzie A. Courtney, Twisting (rayon); James E. Mews, Weaving (rayon); Andrew W. Hinson, Weaving (cotton); Brady Lee Robinson and Marion F. Railey, Shop.

## Polio Protection

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of concern on the part of the American public produced epidemics which could have been prevented."

WHILE POLIO strikes among persons of all ages, the disease is the greatest threat to adults under 40 years, and to children. In March this year there were 57 million persons in this group without full protection of the Salk vaccine.

Full protection means at least three injections of vaccine, with the first two spaced two to six weeks apart, and the third given seven to twelve months after the second injection. Studies have shown that two injections provide 80 per cent protection. The full series of three provides 90 per cent protection and longer-lasting immunity.

Some physicians recommend a fourth injection as additional insurance for those vaccinated when the Salk vaccine first became available and its potency was variable. But the continuing

## Former Employee MP In Germany

Pvt. Jerry D. McMillan, a former employee in Twisting (cotton) at Firestone, is a military policeman serving with the army in Germany. He had more than seven years of service with the plant when he went into military service in late summer of 1958.

His father, John A. McMillan, works in Twisting (cotton).

Jerry would very much appreciate mail from his acquaintances back home. His address:

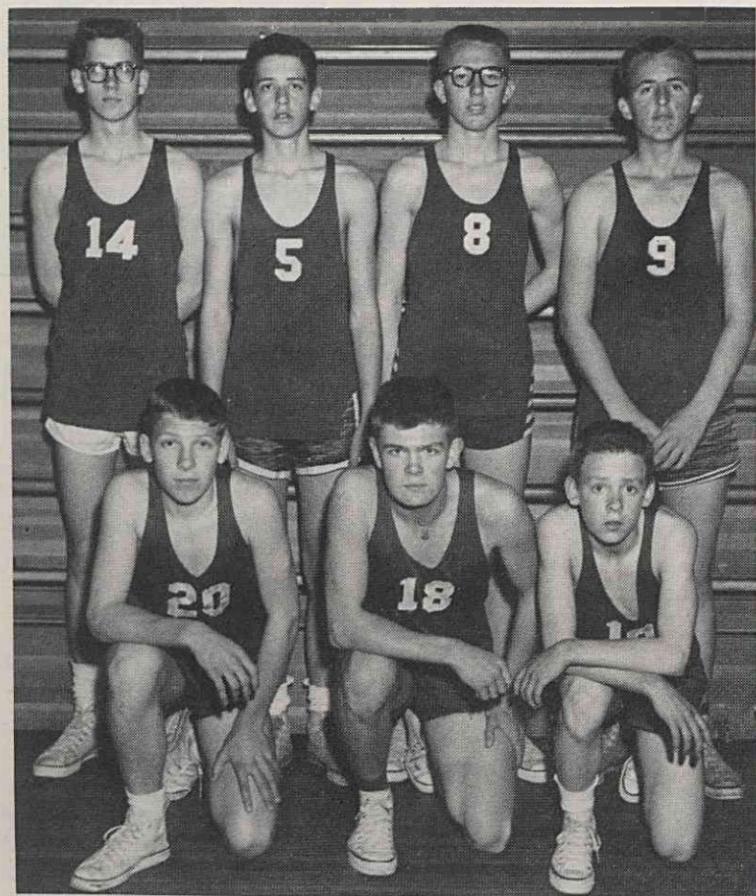


Pvt. Jerry D. McMillan, US 53397366; Co. B 120 D Battalion, APO 189, New York, N. Y.

protection of three properly-spaced inoculations has been demonstrated for the country as a whole and the vaccine's potency is now maintained at a high level.

For your injections of Salk vaccine, visit your family physi-

cian or inquire of your local health department. If members of your household—especially those up to 40 years of age—have not been vaccinated, prompt action will build protection before the summer polio season begins.



## BASKETEER CHAMPIONS

This Firestone team won the Bantam division championship in the NBC tournament held in Gastonia recently. Teams from across North Carolina participated in the tournament. In picture, front row (from left): Charles Edwards, Richard Griffin and Mike Wellman. Second row (from left): Ray Jones, Junior Herring, Dob Phillips and Bud Leatherwood.

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