

Port City Fascination

• Charleston — "City of the Old South, forever young in heart" and fascinating in any season. Many visitors prefer this time of year—late winter and early spring—so they can appreciate the famous gardens.

But an any-season landmark well representative of the historic Port City's fascination is The Charleston Museum. Founded in 1773, it is generally conceded to be the oldest museum in the United States.

Its location: Rutledge Avenue at Calhoun Street. Collections and exhibitions include the cultural history of the world, but special emphasis has always been on South Carolina material.

Of unusual interest are the products of craftsmanship of early Charleston artisans. In the natural-history hall, dioramas show local birds and animals in their natural settings.

Charleston Museum, operated for the people of South Carolina and its visitors, is sponsored by the City and County of Charleston, and by contributions and memberships.

More than 100,000 persons visit the Museum each year. There is no admission fee. There is a small entrance charge at each of the two Museum branches—Joseph Manigault House on Meeting Street and Heyward-Washington House on Church Street.

Another UA Award

For Firestone, Gastonia: Another honor for participation in United Community Services of Gaston County's UA financial campaign. The tenth Outstanding Citizenship Award recognizes the plant and its people for the part employees played in the support drive last November.



Carolyn Miller of Main Office, with United Appeal Plaque

Firestone's record contribution of \$32,527.38 last year went toward support of 37 Appeal agencies during 1969.

The award, presented last month at the annual UA honors meeting, is represented by a silver-embossed strip added to the wall plaque received four years ago.

Firestone was among 28 companies cited for noteworthy United Appeal participation.

Citizenship Awards go to UA-contributor firms with 15 or more employees, the firms having a payroll system of allotting the pledged contributions; at least 80 per cent of the employees giving, and contributions averaging at least \$10 among the employment.

The averaged Firestone giving last year was \$22.02, with employee participation 95.4 per cent. Both were record figures here.

Towns in the Gaston County United Appeal now include Gastonia, Cherryville, Cramerton, Dallas, Lowell, Mount Holly, Ranlo, and Stanley.

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TONY BYERS

'Give Him Daylight And He's Gone'

Bessemer City's basketball sensation. The essence of sportsmanship. Bright star—guy with a future. Impressive, smooth-driving...best in the Conference. Moves like a machine...shooting his biggest asset. A pressure player—the tougher it gets on the court, the more he wants the ball.

Give him daylight and he's gone! works in industrial relations at Firestone, Gastonia.

A few of the appraisals which coaches and other observers in Little Seven Conference circles are making of Tony Byers this season.

"Proud of him," says Tony's mother, Mrs. Ida Byers who

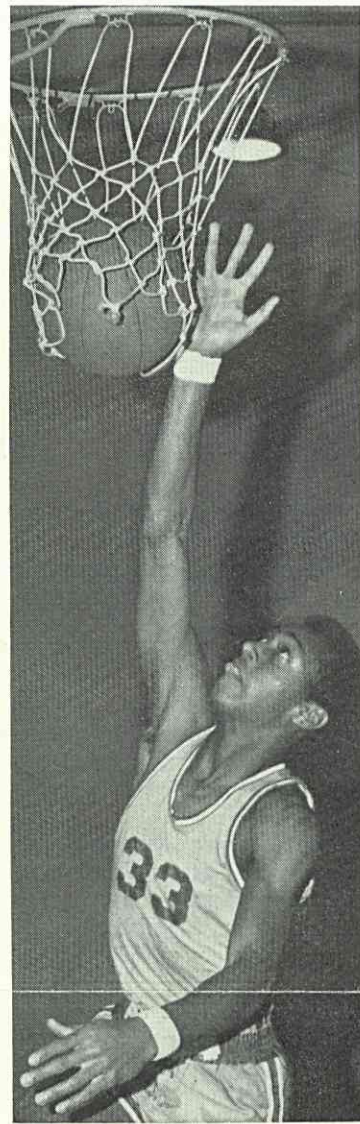
Welcome, NON-SKID

Firestone NON-SKID, weekly employee publication from the company's Akron, Ohio, headquarters, is now being made available to employees of the Gastonia plant.

Factory distribution of the paper began in late January. The Bowling Green, Ky., and Bennettsville, S.C. plants had been distributing the NON-SKID for several months before Gastonia started receiving the paper.

The four-page publication goes to nearly every Firestone plant in the U.S. as well as to company sales and stores personnel. It presents major company news and other material of interest to people of the Firestone organization.

Several individual U.S. plants have supplementary papers with a localized slant. Of this group, the monthly Firestone News continues to serve the Gastonia and Bennettsville plants.



Tony Byers: He wants to play professional basketball some day. As of now, he's got a good start. —Kermit Hull photo.

Noted one sportswriter: "Words can't describe Tony. You have to see him to believe the things he does on a basketball court."

Scholarship Deadline

Applications for the 1969 Firestone College Scholarship awards competition are due in the company's Akron, Ohio, headquarters no later than March 1.

Sons and daughters of Firestone employees who meet requirements as outlined in the 1969 Scholarship Booklet are eligible to apply for the awards.

Application forms and details have been available since mid-December at the Firestone Gastonia industrial relations office and at the Bennettsville plant main office.

Since Firestone started the Scholarship program in 1953, 446 scholarships have been awarded to high-school seniors across the nation. Of this number, 15 of the winners have been from Firestone families in the Gastonia area.

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Richard A. Riley

Vice President D-P Division

• RICHARD A. RILEY was advanced to Firestone vice president of Diversified Products in late 1968. Firestone Synthetic Fibers and Textiles Company is among the non-tire divisions under his guidance.

Mr. Riley, 52, joined Firestone in 1939. He advanced to several positions of increasing responsibility, becoming president of Firestone Steel Products Company a year before his promotion to company vice president.

Frank A. LePage succeeded him as president of Firestone Steel Products Company.