

PLANT SEVEN WINS FIVE-YEAR PLAQUE

On November 30, employees of Plant #7 completed five continuous years without a lost-time injury. During those five years, they have worked two and three-quarter million man hours. With this kind of record, the odds are that a person could work in Plant #7 for 1,375 years without a lost-time injury.

This five-year record has not been accomplished without effort. Every employee, every supervisor, every member of the safety committee has given SAFETY a high priority on the work schedule. Attention has been given to the minor factors, and special emphasis has been placed on GOOD HOUSEKEEPING.

The most important factor contributing to the fine record has been the attitude of the employees. They have practiced safe working habits. Minor injuries have been investigated and studied to determine causes and corrective measures.

Another gratifying conclusion is the proof that the safety program can be improved when everyone makes up his mind to improve it. During the first eleven months of 1957, Plant #7 had experienced an unusually high frequency of accidents in all departments. Every department, except the dye house, had reported a lost-time accident during those months. Minor injuries also were at a high frequency. Something had to be done to get out of the dog house. The safety committee was asked to make closer inspections and supervisors were asked to place more emphasis on safety instruction. Plant management was asked to place greater stress on house-keeping. The result was an attitude of safety in the minds of all employees.

The United States Department of Labor and the North Carolina Department of Labor are being notified of the attainment of the five-year level. Five-year plaques are awarded by the Departments of Labor.

L. W. DEAN DIES

WITH HEART ATTACK



L. W. (Wentz) Dean, of Plant #4, died Thursday night, November 22, after suffering a heart attack at his home. He had been in declining health for some time and unable to work since May 5 of this year.

Born in Forsyth County on May 18, 1909, Wentz came to work in the Shipping Department of Adams-Millis in Kernersville in 1924. His mechanical aptitude was evident immediately and he soon became plant mechanic and truck driver, making daily trips to the High Point plants for many years. He was highly respected and liked by both management and co-workers.

Survivors include his wife, Eva Harrison Dean; one daughter, Mrs. Phyllis Joyce; and three grandchildren; all of Kernersville.

We extend our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Dean, who is employed in the Finishing Department of Plant #4, and the other members of his family.