



John Idol

With a total of 80 years of sales of multiple millions of dollars worth of Adams-Millis hosiery, John and Percy Idol retired from their positions in Adams-Millis Hosiery Company's sales department on December 31. John had been with the company since 1932 and Percy's sales career began just two years later.

The Idol boys were born in Davidson County and attended High Point Senior High School; both attended and graduated from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. John worked his way through the university by decorating structures for special occasions and had accumulated a \$900.00 bank account by the time he graduated. When he came to Adams-Millis in 1932 to work in sales, the late J. H. Adams learned of the bank account and told John he should have stayed in the university instead of getting in the sock business. John came with the company as a sales assistant under the late R. O. Lindsay; after three or four years in the office, he moved out to cover sales in the Ohio Valley and a short while later was assigned to the Southeastern States. He covered this territory until his retirement.

John lives at the ninety-year-old Idol home place on Route 1, Kernersville; he is a member of St. Mary's Episcopal Church in High Point.

Percy Idol joined the sales department of Adams-Millis in 1934, just after his graduation from U. N. C.; his sales territory included the Mid-Atlantic and Ohio Valley States. During World War II, he was on a four-year military



Percy Idol

leave to serve as an intelligence officer with the U. S. Coast Guard.

He is married to the former Lillian Small, daughter of Judge and Mrs. Walter L. Small of Elizabeth City, N. C. There are two sons: David H. Idol, assistant district attorney for the 18th Judicial District; and Walter S. Idol, a second-year law student at Southern Methodist University.

Percy and Mrs. Idol also are members of St. Mary's Episcopal Church, and they make their home on Hillcrest Drive in High Point.

At the age of 15, Lula Elliott came to work at Adams-Millis Corporation in Kernersville. Fifty-two years later, on December 31, 1973, she retired from the greige goods department where she had been continuously employed as a turner and yarn checker since 1934.



Lula Shore

And much has happened to her in her forty years of continuous employment, perhaps the most important thing being a plant romance that led to her marriage to Paul Shore, of the sample department of the Kernersville plant. They now have one son and two grandchildren.

Lula was born and reared in Kernersville and attended Kernersville schools. She is a life-long member of the Kernersville Moravian Church. Now that she will have a lot of spare time, she will be able to do even more of the baking that she loves to do for her neighbors and friends.

Upon her retirement, Lula stated it had been a great pleasure to have worked with a company like Adams-Millis and that she values greatly the many friendships she has made there.



"Let's go out and visit somebody before they come and visit us!"