

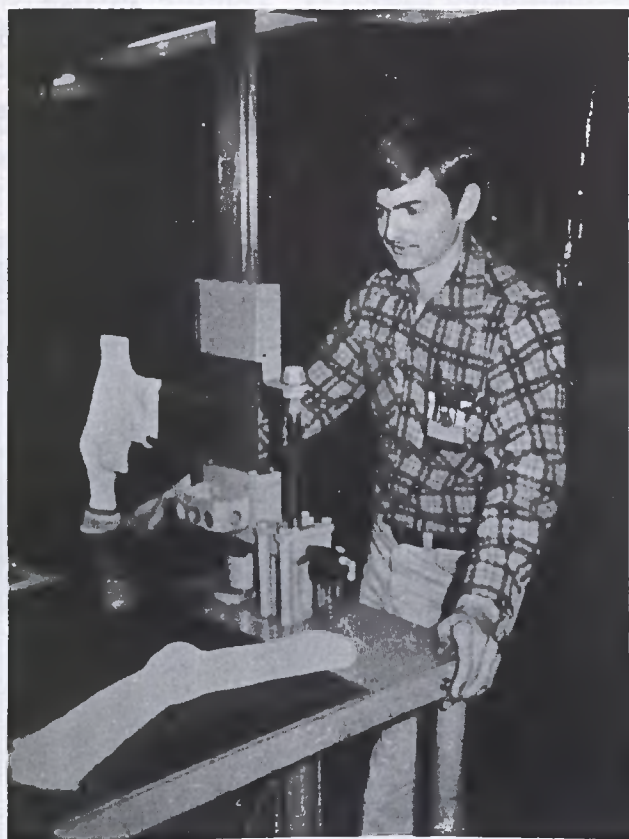
Adams-Millis Plant #1 has the longest history of the present-day operations of Adams-Millis Corporation. It is part of the Men's Division of Adams-Millis Hosiery Company and is a greige goods mill, producing men's and boys' hosiery, children's panty hose and misses' over-the-calf knee-high socks. In a greige goods mill, the hosiery is knit and seamed, but is not finished. The hosiery that is produced at Plant #1 is sent to Plant #3 in Kernersville for dyeing, finishing, packing, and shipping to the customers.

The production of socks begins in the Hosiery Division Experimental Department, headed by Paul Shoaf. When new sock patterns are developed there, specification sheets are drawn up for each, giving all of the information needed by the knitter to make a particular sock, such as the types and colors of yarns, the knitting pattern, and the style of sock. The pattern is then sent to the plant where six sample socks are knit on a machine according to the specifications given. The production of each of these is timed and each sock is tested on a H. F. Sizing Machine for cross and length stretch. The six samples are then returned to the Experimental Department where each sock is unraveled and the yarn in each part is precisely weighed and measured by Pansy Davis. From this accumulation of data, a cost estimate is established and if the cost department then decides that the new pattern can be profitably produced, samples are made for the salesmen. The sock is placed into production when customers have ordered it.

All orders for the production of hosiery at Plant #1 come from the Production Control Department at Plant #3. Rochelle Ester and Virginia Wood of the Order Department of Plant #1 take the orders and record them. They then make twelve-part tickets, called "travelers," which are sent to the Knitting Department. As each step in the manufacture of hosiery takes place, a section is completed and removed from the traveler and sent to Information Services where each operator is paid according to the traveler stubs he or she has submitted. Rochelle and Virginia are also the time keepers for the Knitting Department.



In the Order Department, Virginia Wood records orders while Rochelle Ester makes travelers.



Davie Linville tests a sample sock for cross stretch on the H. F. Sizing machine.



Clifford Chappell, second shift supervisor, discusses production with knitter Geneva Hassell.