

# THE MILL WHISTLE

Fieldcrest Karastan

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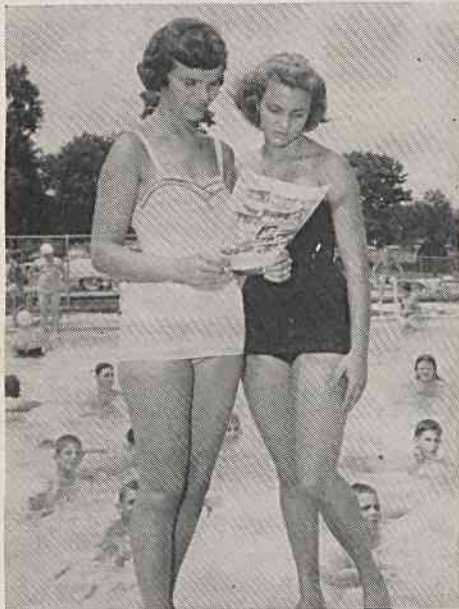
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*But God hath chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise; and God hath chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty.*

—1 CORINTHIANS 1:27



## MIXED-UP BEAUTIES

If you think you have seen the girl on the left before, you have. She was in the last Mill Whistle, identified as "Peggy Ann Dodson." She's really Sandra Sue Merriman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Merriman, both of the Towel Mill.

Peggy Ann is shown at the right. She is the daughter of Clyde Dodson, of the Towel Mill weave room. The girls are shown at the Community Center swimming pool at Fieldale.

## Towel Mill Recognizes Top Weavers, Fixers For Recent Periods

The Towel Mill's top quality weavers and the top loomfixers for the most recent periods of record are listed below.

The "Weavers of the Week" are those with the lowest per cent of seconds with respect to the standards for the various loom groups.

The top loomfixers are determined through a combination of low seconds and high loom efficiency.

### Weavers—W/E July 21

Dobby Terry—William Hancock  
Jacquard Terry—Harry Hardy  
Draper & Cam Terry—William Moore

### Weavers—W/E July 14

Dobby Terry—James Witt  
Jacquard Terry—Harry Hardy  
Draper & Cam Terry—Claude Austin, Jr.

### Weavers—W/E June 30

Dobby Terry—Percy Shelor  
Jacquard Terry—Moir Padgett  
Draper & Cam Terry—William Moore

### Fixers—W/E July 21

Dobby Terry—Melvin Rakes  
Jacquard Terry—Carlton Rakes  
Draper & Cam Terry—Clyde Dodson

### Fixers—W/E July 14

Dobby Terry—Claude Cobbler  
Jacquard Terry—Carlton Rakes  
Draper & Cam Terry—James Turner

### Fixers—W/E June 30

Dobby Terry—Clay Merriman  
Jacquard Terry—Wendell Walker  
Dobby & Cam Terry—Clarence Hopkins

## Know Your Industry

The textile industry's annual payroll in North Carolina is about 650 million dollars—the largest single industry payroll in the state.

The N. C. State Department of Conservation and Development says that textiles by almost all standards of measurement, constitute North Carolina's largest manufacturing industry. Textiles predominate in number of establishments, total employees, wages paid, value of products and value added by manufacture.

The total direct and indirect taxes paid to state and local government by the textile industry and the people who work for it in North Carolina amounts to about 30 million dollars annually.

The total tonnage of cotton in bales and textiles handled by rail and motor carriers in North Carolina amounted to about one and a half million tons during 1954.

There are over 1,000 textile plants in North Carolina, spinning, weaving and knitting every type of fiber known to man for use in thousands of end products.

## Boyd Is Promoted At Bedsread Mill

Homer Boyd, head supply clerk at the Bedsread Mill for several years, has been promoted to foreman of the Shipping and Receiving Department. He succeeds Ernest M. Hodges who took early retirement under the Fieldcrest Pension Plan effective July 1.



Homer Boyd

Mr. Boyd is a native of Woolwine, Va., and first joined the Company in 1922. He started in the Shipping Department at the old American Warehouse (now Finishing Mill) but in 1925 was transferred to the stock records department at the General Office where he worked for 12 years. He was transferred to the Woolen Mill supply room in 1937 and continued there until 1948, when the mill was closed.

He worked elsewhere for a short time but in November, 1950, he became head supply clerk at Bedsread. He continued in that capacity until his most recent promotion.

Mr. Boyd married the former Miss Kate Cook, a native of Pittsylvania county, Va. Mrs. Boyd formerly worked in the Finishing Mill. They have a son and a daughter, both married, and two grandchildren. The Boyds own their home on the Leaksville-Reidsville Road.

## Service Anniversaries

### Thirty-Five Years

Clarise R. Edwards—Bedsread  
Eck G. Scales—Central Warehouse

### Thirty Years

Woodrow R. Rigney—Finishing  
Maggie A. Martin—Karastan  
Louise R. Reid—Finishing  
Louise E. Odell—Finishing  
Alton G. Fuqua—Finishing

### Twenty Years

John R. Williams—Blanket

### Fifteen Years

Norbert B. Murray—Bedsread  
Lucille S. Rutledge—Blanket  
Madie I. Jamerson—Towel  
Leroy H. Shaw—Towel  
E. Leroy Smart—Blanket

### Ten Years

William Colston—Towel  
Billy R. Morris—Automatic Blanket  
William L. Brown—Karastan  
Leonard Lee Rogers—Blanket  
Hazel L. Kirks—Blanket  
Paul H. Brown—Sheeting