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## 1958 Safety Record Best In Five Years



MUTUAL AID DIRECTORS, left to right, Wade Younts, Robert Adkins, Kermit Hartin, Dan Squires, vice president; Ray Warner, Clarence Martin, secretary; Berkley Reynolds, Glenn Simpson, president; and Grissom Manley, treasurer.

## Mutual Aid Officials Named For New Year

Officers of the United Mutual Aid Association, which provides hospital-surgical insurance for Fieldcrest's North Carolina employees, were elected by the association's board of directors at their regular monthly meeting January 13.

Re-elected to serve during the ensuing year were: president, Glenn Simpson, bleachery; vice-president, Dan Squires, Sheeting Mill; secretary, Clarence Margen, General Offices; and treasurer, Grissom Manley, Finishing Mill.

h addition to the officers, the followlig are directors of the association; Ray
warner, Automatic Blanket Mill; F.
Wade Younts, Bedspread Mill; Robert
Adkins, Blanket Mill; Kermit Martin,
Central Warehouse; J. B. Reynolds,
Karastan Rug Mill.

Chairmen of the various unit combittees comprise the Mutual Aid Board Chairmen of the various unit combittees comprise the Mutual Aid Board Comprise the Mutual Aid Board Lead by the membership at the respective (Continued on page four) Management Reports To Be Presented At Joint Meeting Of Councils

The "management reports" meeting—a highlight of the program year of the Carolina Cooperative Council—will be held at Consolidated Central Y.M.C.A. Thursday evening, January 29, at 7:30 o'clock.

President Harold W. Whitcomb and other officers will review the Company's operations during the past year and discuss the outlook for the business in 1959. Frederic W. Hoit, president of the Fieldcrest sales divison, and Walter B. Guinan, president of the Karastan sales division, will report on activity in the sales organizations.

It will be a joint meeting of the Carolina Cooperative Council and the Junior Carolina Council. A capacity audience is expected.

Six Out Of 10 Units Operated Entire Year Without Having A Lost Time Accident

The safety record at Fieldcrest Mills in 1958 was the best in the past five years. The accident frequency rate at Fieldcrest was 1.75, a remarkably low figure compared with the 7.1 frequency rate for the textile industry in North Carolina, as reported by the State Department of Labor.

Only 14 lost time accidents occurred at Fieldcrest Mills during 1958, as compared with 34 such injuries in the previous year. First aid and sub-major injuries also showed a reduced rate in 1958.

Six out of the 10 units at Fieldcrest went the entire year without a lost time accident. The Safety Department is making application to the North Carolina Department of Labor for safety awards to these mills. Included are the Automatic Blanket Mill, Sheeting Mill, Finishing Mill, Central Warehouse, Towel Mill and Specials Department. The units meeting the requirements for

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## Million Man-Hours For Karastan Mill

Employees of the Karastan Rug Mill have again completed a million manhours of work without a lost time accident. Safety efforts are being intensified with the goal of working the entire year of 1959 without a single lost time injury in the mill.

In former years, the Karastan Mill established enviable records of safe work and at one time possessed the best safety record in the carpet industry. As the mill seeks to recapture its high place in safety, employees are being urged to continue their personal interest in eliminating hazards and avoiding unsafe acts.

The employees were congratulated on their safety achievement in a letter distributed to all employees last week signed by Fred W. Klein, assistant manager; Virgil Hall, assistant to Mr. Klein;

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