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Automatic Blkt. Mill Rates High In Safety

Congratulations from the mill management were extended last week to employees of the Automatic Blanket Mill who have completed over one million man-hours of work without a lost-time accident.

The Automatic Blanket Mill has operated over 2½ years without a disabling injury. This is the longest accident-free period of any of the mills at the present time.

A review of the record shows that the mill has experienced only two lost-time injuries since the Automatic Blanket Mill was established as a separate mill unit in 1950.

A congratulatory letter, signed by R. F. Sambleson, mill manager, and T. R. Ray, superintendent, was sent to each employee last week. The letter said in part:

"This outstanding safety achievement has been possible only through the constant alertness and attention of every person in the Automatic Blanket Mill. You can be proud that you and your fellow workers have spared the pain, the lost earnings, and the family hardships of accidents through your efforts.

"We have shown we can work one million man-hours without a serious accident. We must increase our efforts to extend this record even further. We are on our way to two million—let's go all the way!"

Special Council Program Scheduled For March 12

Members of the Carolina Cooperative Council and the Junior Council will have a special program Thursday evening, March 12, at 7:30 o'clock in the Leaksville-Spray Junior High School auditorium.

Berry B. Brooks, noted big game hunter, explorer and naturalist, will present the program in person. He will narrate his color motion picture, "Passport to Safariland", showing wildlife photographed by Brooks in equatorial Africa.

In addition to the Council members, arrangements will be made to permit as many others as possible to attend the program. Further details are to be announced shortly.

Safety Award Barbecue Served In Karastan Mill

Employees Are Commended For Outstanding Safety Record Achieved During 1958

A barbecue dinner, given as an award for their outstanding safety record in 1958, was served to all employees in the Karastan Rug Mill Tuesday, February 17.

In a well-planned operation, plates of barbecue, "hush puppies" and free Cokes and coffee were served in all departments, on all three shifts, on a schedule approximating the employees' usual lunch periods.

The Karastan employees earned the barbecue by working the entire year of 1958 with an accident frequency rating which was better than 75 per cent below the State average for textile mills.

A bulletin board notice commending the employees on their excellent record

in 1958 and announcing the barbecue was signed by J. M. Norman, Jr., mill manager; F. W. Klein, assistant manager, Virgil Hall, assistant to Mr. Klein; and J. G. Cunningham, superintendent.

The Karastan Mill, some weeks ago, exceeded the million man-hour mark without a lost-time accident. Safety efforts are being intensified with the goal of working the entire year of 1959 without a lost-time injury in the mill.

In former years, Karastan 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 interest in safety and good housekeeping practices. Emphasis is being placed on the observance of all safety rules, the reporting and correction of unsafe conditions and the elimination of unsafe acts.



BARBECUE TASTER—Iantha Halley gets sample of the barbecue which was served in the mill to all Karastan employees as an award for their good safety record in 1958. Handling the spoon is Patsy Chilton. Both girls are winders on the third shift. See pages four and five for more pictures of the barbecue.