

# THE MILL WHISTLE

*Fieldcrest*  
FASHIONS FOR BED AND BATH



*Karastan*  
AMERICA'S FINEST POWER LOOMED RUG

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## All-Out Safety Effort Urged In Mills

### Particular Attention Is Given To Factors That Contributed To Plant Injuries In 1959

A concerted effort to prevent accidents during 1960 is under way at Fieldcrest Mills. Particular attention is being given causes of the 14 plant injuries occurring in 1959.

Each supervisor will work closely with the people in his department. The cooperation of employees will be asked in the elimination of unsafe work practices and in the prompt reporting of any unsafe conditions in the mill.

All mills are following a detailed program which deals specifically with safety problems encountered in 1959.

#### Specific Subjects Are Covered

Some of the subjects covered are: (1) the supervisor's control of unsafe acts and unsafe conditions, (2) precautions to be taken to make sure a machine can't be started while a fixer or mechanic is working on it, (3) A review of handling methods and inspection of material handling equipment, (4) eye protection—emphasis on wearing the Company-provided protective equipment on jobs where eyes might be endangered by chemical splashes, flying particles, etc.

(5) Special instruction in first aid with emphasis on care for the injured and prevention of accidents, (6) emphasis on housekeeping to promote orderliness as a means of preventing falls, (7) Cooperation in observance of Fire Prevention Week, in October, including

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### Sales Edition

Inserted in this issue of The Mill Whistle is an eight-page special sales edition devoted to our newly-redecorated Fieldcrest showroom in New York.

In addition to its distribution to all active and retired employees of Fieldcrest Mills, Inc., 2,000 extra copies were printed to be mailed to retailers of Fieldcrest products all over the country.

The next regular issue of The Mill Whistle will appear on scheduled Monday, March 7.



**CONGRATULATIONS FOR QUALITY** — Quality weavers at the Blanket Mill are commended by mill officials. Dillard Harris (center) who has worked 18 months without a major quality defect in his cloth, gets congratulations from C. A. Davis, superintendent. At left are L. H. Hundley and Sallie Isley, who recently completed 12 months of quality weaving. D. P. Gambill, weaving foreman, is second from right.

## Council Members Hear Management Reports

### Company Officers Give Review and Outlook For Business; Sales Programs Outlined

A large audience heard President Harold W. Whitcomb and other officers of the Company present reports on the past year's operations and plans for 1960 at a joint meeting of the Carolina Cooperative and Junior Carolina Council, February 10.

W. B. Lucas, Council president, presided and called on Melvin Moore, of the Blanket Mill, for the invocation. Ralph Pigue, of the Bleachery, the Council's attendance chairman, conducted the drawings for two attendance

A. E. (Bill) Shumate, of the Karastan Rug Mill, was awarded a "Lady Hamilton" colonial type bedspread. J.

P. Foster, of the Bedspread Finishing Mill, received a "Royal Carnation" sheet set.

President H. W. Whitcomb reviewed progress of the Company, particularly in the year 1959, and told of plans and expectations for the business during 1960. Mr. Whitcomb was followed by R. A. Harris, vice president in charge of manufacturing, who showed several charts while discussing various phases of the mills' operations in 1959.

F. W. Hoit, president of the Fieldcrest sales division, reported on activities of the Fieldcrest division and outlined merchandising plans for 1960. He presented colored slides showing Fieldcrest merchandise displayed in our New York showroom. He discussed each of the domestics mills from the sales

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