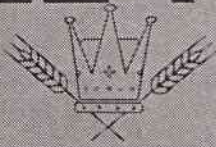


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Company Purchases Greenville Mills

Fieldcrest Mills, Inc., has purchased the woolen spinning plant owned and operated by Greenville Mills, Inc., at Greenville, North Carolina for the manufacture of wool and synthetic carpet yarns on the woolen system, according to an announcement by Harold W. Whitcomb, president of Fieldcrest Mills, Inc.

Scholarship Deadline

If you or some member of your family are planning to apply for one of the Fieldcrest Scholarships, the application must be completed and submitted to the Fieldcrest Scholarship Committee prior to August 6, 1960.

An employee must have been in the employment of the Company for at least a year to be considered for a scholarship. The children of an employee are eligible for consideration for a scholarship if the parent has been employed by Fieldcrest for a year or more.

Application forms may be obtained from the industrial relations supervisors in the various mill areas, from the Employment Offices at Spray and Fieldale, Va., or from Dr. William McGehee, director of personnel research and training, Spray.

Greenville Mills is a subsidiary of the Artloom Industries, Inc., of Philadelphia. Fieldcrest Mills acquired title to all machinery and equipment Thursday, July 28, and the plant, which has been closed for a two weeks vacation period, will reopen August 1 under the ownership and management of Fieldcrest Mills, Inc.

The principal machinery in the plant consists of 14 sets of Whitin woolen cards, 2560 spindles Whitin E frames spinning, 900 spindles Whitin Model K trap twisters and other necessary accessory equipment.

It has a raw stock dye plant with all stainless steel equipment capable of dyeing approximately 100,000 pounds of raw stock per week. The spinning plant can manufacture approximately 150,000 pounds of carpet yarns per week.

Employs About 400 People

The building, containing about 100,000 square feet, is leased from a private owner. The plant employs about 400 people when operating on a three shift schedule. The mill was set up by Artloom in 1950 with all equipment purchased new at that time.

Fieldcrest acquired this plant in order to manufacture the woolen spun pile yarn for its Karastan Rug Mill all of which has previously been purchased from various outside yarn manufacturers. The capacity of the Greenville mill just about equals the current consumption of the Karastan plant.

The new plant will be known as "Fieldcrest Mills, Inc., Karastan Spinning Division, Greenville, N. C.," Henry F. Morris, former manager of the Frank S. Nelson & Co., Inc., of Philadelphia, a large supplier of Karastan's woolen yarn for many years, has resigned from that company and will join Fieldcrest September 1 as manager of the Karastan Spinning Division.

Mr. Morris will live at Greenville and will be in charge of all manufacturing operations, reporting to Robert A. Harris, vice president, manufacturing. In
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Boy Scout Fair Is Set For Saturday, August 13

"Come to the Fair!" will be the call of the Boy Scouts of the Tri-Cities as they stage a special program for the public at Morehead Stadium from 5 p. m. to 8 p. m. Saturday, August 13.

All local units of the Boy Scouts of America are expected to participate in the fair, which was arranged as a constructive activity for the Scouts as well as for exhibiting various phases of scoutcraft and campcraft for parents and the community-at-large.

The Boy Scout Fair is being sponsored by the Dan River District committee, of which R. R. Roberts, treasurer of Fieldcrest Mills, Inc., is chairman. The Fair Committee includes Mr. Roberts, George Aheron, of the Finishing Mill, Robert Boone, Boy Scout field executive; Otis Marlowe, of the Industrial Relations Department; and Sam W. Smith of Leaksville.

It is not a fund-raising affair. The public is cordially invited. A token admission fee of 10 cents (yes, 10 cents!) will be charged. Tickets will be available from the Scouts and on sale at the gate.

Report Shows Progress In Safety

A review of the mills' safety experience during the first six months of 1960 shows that only six disabling injuries occurred throughout Fieldcrest Mills during the first half of the year.

This compares with nine lost-time injuries for the same period a year ago, and gives the mills an accident frequency rate of 1.03, an all-time low for Fieldcrest Mills.

The safety report was presented to the Central Safety Committee at its quarterly meeting July 27 by H. E. Williams, safety director.

Mr. Williams took note of the fact that two lost-time injuries have occurred in the month of July. One of these was a fall at the Karastan Rug Mill and the other a mashed finger at the Sheet- ing Mill. The Sheet- ing Mill injury broke

the mill's 2¼ million man-hour record of accident-free operation.

"Our record so far this year is better than 1959 and the first six months were outstanding," Mr. Williams said. "Employees and supervisors at all mills are to be congratulated for helping establish such a low record. A record like that in our first six months can be maintained only when there is everyday interest and efforts to prevent accidents.

"Records of the North Carolina textile industry show that accidents usually reach a peak in August. For several years it has been our aim at Fieldcrest to operate the entire month without injuries.

"We are hoping for an accident-free month of August this year."