## Mill Whistle Staff Has Annual Banquet

Plant reporters for The Mill Whistle in plants and offices in the Tri-Cities and at Fieldale, Va., were given a banquet by the company Friday evening, December 22, at Meadow Greens Country Club. Twenty-one persons attended.

Harold W. Whitcomb, president of Fieldcrest Mills, Inc., and Clinton J. Frank, Jr., director of industrial relations, made brief talks in which they expressed appreciation to the reporters for their help to the employees' publication during the year.

Otis Marlowe, editor of The Mill Whistle, was toastmaster. The invocation was given by Mrs. Fay Warren, a reporter from the Towel Mill. Mamie Link, reporter for the Draper Offices, led the group in the singing of carols.

At the close of the program, each reporter was presented a gift. The door prize, "My Sin" perfume and cologne, was awarded to Katherine Turner, reporter for the Blanket Mill.

Reporters present were Mary Foster, Hilda Grogan, Gladys Holland, Mamie Link, Katherine Manley, Irene Meeks, Geraldine Perkins, Mary Stephens, Ruth Talbert, Katherine Turner and Fay Warren.

Others attending the banquet in addition to the reporters were E. L. Brown, comptroller; R. L. Wilkes, manager employee benefits and services; Rita Vaughn, Industrial Relations Department; Lee Hilton, of Adams Photo Service; C. A. Davis, J. M. Rimmer, and J. T. White, members of The Mill Whistle advisory board.

## Mill Whistle Staff Two Complete 40-Year Records



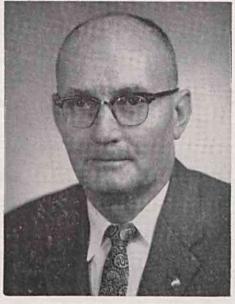
HERMAN D. WILSON

January is a month of important service anniversaries for Herman D. Wilson of the Bedspread Mill and Fitzhugh W. Thomas of the Finishing Mill, both of whom attain 40 years of continuous service during this month.

Mr. Wilson completed 40 years on January 3 and was honored in an informal ceremony at the mill. He was presented the Fieldcrest diamond-andgold 40-year emblem, a gift, and a letter of commendation from President Harold W. Whitcomb.

Mr. Thomas is to complete his 40 years January 16 and is to receive similar awards at that time.

Mr. Wilson is a native of Spray and



FITZHUGH W. THOMAS

was employed as a doffer in the spinning room at the old Rhode Island Mill January 3, 1922. He became a weaver at the old Lily Mill in 1929 and continued as a weaver until he was promoted to loomfixer in 1945.

He was a loomfixer at the Synthetic Fabrics Mill until 1955. He then worked briefly as an overhauler at the Karastan Rug Mill and as a calender helper at the Bleachery before he was transferred to the Bedspread Mill in 1958. He has been a loomfixer there since that time.

Mr. Thomas was born in Patrick County, Va., and was employed as a machine operator in the Bleachery Folding Department January 16, 1922.

He was transferred to the Napping Department at the Finishing Mill in 1936 and worked as a napper operator until he was promoted to second hand in 1941. From that time until 1956, he worked as a second hand-finisher and as assistant foreman. For the next two years, he was a conditioner operator in the Blanket Shearing Department at the Finishing Mill and since September, 1958 has worked as a Gessner napper operator.

## **Exemption Changes**

The Payroll Department reminds employees that changes in the number of exemptions for federal and state income tax purposes should be reported promptly.

Employees should notify the Payroll Department within 10 days of any change in their dependents for federal or state income taxes such as death, divorce, separation, births, dependents earning over \$600, etc.

Forms for completing a revised exemption certificate for either state or federal withholding tax may be obtained from the foreman, department head, or the industrial relations representative in your area.

## Quesell J. Scott Is Promoted To Foreman

Quesell J. Scott, assistant foreman in the Blanket Cutting and Sewing Department at the Finishing Mill, was



QUESELL J. SCOTT
Wins New Promotion

promoted to foreman of the department effective January 1.

He replaces Walter E. Schacht who resigned to accept another position in the textile industry.

Mr. Scott has worked in the department since 1956. He began as a trucker and server and worked on a number of production and clerical jobs in the department before he was promoted to second hand in 1958. He participated in the supervisory training program conducted by the company for about a year and was promoted to assistant foreman on the first shift in July, 1959. He continued in that classification until his promotion to foreman.

A native of Spray, Mr. Scott is a graduate of Morehead High School and studied spinning and weaving at the Leaksville Township Vocational School. He completed several textile and textile-related courses through the International Correspondence Schools as well as a number of company-sponsored training courses. He currently is enrolled in the textile technology curriculum at the Leaksville-Rockingham County Industrial Education Center.