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Community Fund Drive To Open Oct. 22



Howard Barton (center), of Engineering Department, who completed 45 years of continuous service October 1, is congratulated by Robert A. Harris, vice-president, manufacturing, and A. G. Singleton (left), director of engineering.

Barton Is Honored For 45 Years Of Service

A long career extending back to the early years of ownership of the mills by Marshall Field & Company was noted October 1 when Howard Barton, of the Engineering Department, was given recognition for his 45 years of continuous service with the company.

Mr. Barton, one of the best known men at Fieldcrest, has enjoyed an outstanding career at the mills, where he advanced from doffer-learner to positions of high responsibility and trust.

On the date of his 45th service anniversary, he was invited to the office of Robert A. Harris, vice president, manufacturing, and was presented his diamond-and-gold 45-year service emblem. Mr. Barton also was presented with a gift and a letter from President Harold W. Whitcomb which expressed the company's appreciation for his long service.

Mr. Barton was born in Floyd County, Va., but moved to Spray when he was a small boy. He first went to work, learning to doff, in the old Nantucket Spinning Room in 1910. He worked on various spinning room jobs until 1917 when he resigned to work at a mill in Greensboro.

He returned after about eight months and after working briefly at the Nantucket Mill was transferred to the old Lily Mill. He studied designing during the next several years and in about 1925 was promoted to designer for the Nantucket and Lily Mills.

He later was promoted to assistant manager of those mills and in 1935 was named plant manager of the Lily Mill, which had then become the Silk Mill. He next served as assistant general superintendent of all the mills.

From 1938 until 1953 he was superintendent of the Silk Mill, later to be known as the Rayon Mill and still later as the Synthetic Fabrics Mill. In 1953 he was changed to the Engineering Department as secretary of housekeeping for all the mills, a position in which he continues to serve.

Employees Will Be Asked To Give A Day's Pay To Support Needed Community Services

The campaign at Fieldcrest Mills in behalf of the Tri-City Community Fund will open Monday, October 22, and will continue through Friday, October 26.

The budget goal in the communitywide campaign is \$60,813, representing the minimum amount needed for the continuance of the 10 health, welfare, and recreational services included in the campaign.

Fieldcrest employees, along with members of all other firms in the Tri-Cities, will be asked to pledge a minimum of a day's pay.

For the convenience of employees and upon their authorization, Fieldcrest will make payroll deductions over a 12-month period to collect the pledges.

The manager of each mill will serve as chairman for the solicitation in his mill, with the assistant managers and superintendents as co-chairmen. Heads of major staff departments will be in charge of the campaign in their respective departments.

Payroll deductions authorized by employees will not begin until the first pay period in January 1963. If an employee has no work during a particular (Continued on page five)

Greenville Drive Has Fine Support

Employees of the Karastan Spinning Division gave outstandingly generous support to the Pitt County United Fund campaign which has been virtually completed at the Greenville plant.

Employee donations to date total in excess of \$3500, representing an increase of approximately 50% over last year's gifts. The average employee contribution in this year's drive was \$13.00. In addition to the employees' gifts, Fieldcrest Mills as a company is to make a contribution to the campaign.

J. M. Moore, superintendent of the Greenville plant, was chairman of the campaign. The foremen served as (Continued on page four)