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Keys to the new Draper Library, located in the former Personnel Office, are presented to Draper Mayor Eldred Cherry (at left) by Harold W. Whitcomb, president of Fieldcrest Mills, Inc. at open house when library was formally opened. Looking on at right is Dr. L. Gordon Clarke, president of the Draper Library board.

Ibrary Building Is Provided By Company

Building Is Formally Opened; New Reading Room Is Named To Honor President Whitcomb

The new Draper Library, located in a building provided by Fieldcrest Mills, Inc., was formally opened Sunday afterhoon, August 18, with an open house program in which the public was invited to inspect the new facilities.

A highlight of the program was the

Plants And Offices To Close For Labor Day All Fieldcrest plants and offices in All Fieldcrest plants and offices and offices and offices and Virginia will be closed for the Labor Day holiday on Mond. Monday, September 2.

In those departments operating on a three-shift basis, third shift employees will shift basis, the usual time will report for work at the usual time on M. S. Other on Monday night, September 2. Other hifts will report at the usual time on Tuesday, September 3.

If any exceptions to the above schedules are necessary or in any case where individuals or departments are needed Work on this holiday, the employees affected will be advised by mill man-

announcement that the library's reading room, provided through funds raised by various community groups, has been named in honor of Harold W. Whitcomb, president of Fieldcrest Mills, Inc.

Dr. L. Gordon Clarke, president of the Draper Library board, presided during the brief program. He said the public has responded enthusiastically to the new library. He said that circulation which averaged about 600 to 800 books per month prior to the move to the new building has risen to 2,320 for the month of July.

Dr. Clarke expressed appreciation to Mr. Whitcomb and Fieldcrest Mills for making possible the new library building. He then invited the visitors to in-spect the new Harold W. Whitcomb Reading Room.

In a brief response, Mr. Whitcomb declined any personal credit in the li-brary project. He said its success was due to the efforts of Draper citizens who joined together and worked hard over a period of years in order to get a better library.

He said Fieldcrest Mills is always glad to give assistance when local citizens engage in projects that are for the bet-(Continued on Page Four)

200 More Employees Enroll In Credit Union

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Approximately 200 new members have joined the Fieldcrest Mills Credit Union since July 1. Total membership has reached 4,065, representing 68 per cent of all employees eligible to join.

The Credit Union has had a spectacular growth since it was organized at the Leaksville-Spray-Draper plants and offices in 1958. The Credit Union was subsequently extended to employees in all North Carolina and Virginia plants, including the Kimberly Yarn Mills subsidiary in Mount Holly, and to all sales personnel.

Each month has seen more employees join the Credit Union to save for school expenses, winter fuel bills, taxes and for Christmas. Many are saving for the children's education, to make the down payment on a home or a car and for other long-range purposes.

Because the money is saved through payroll deduction it usually is never missed. With the Credit Union's four per cent dividends the savings are growing all the time.

Fieldcrest employees who are not members are invited to join the Credit Union and take advantage of the opportunity it offers for easy, systematic (Continued on Page Four)

25-Year Picnics

The company has announced that the former general picnic or meeting for all members of the 25-Year Club this year will be replaced by separate picnics for the club members in the various mill areas.

The smaller, localized picnics can be handled better and will be easier for the members to attend. Also, they will be more enjoyable and provide greater opportunities for fellowship.

The Towel Mill members will have a picnic at the former Fieldale baseball park Saturday, September 7, starting at 4:30 p. m.

Club members at the Blanket and Sheeting Mills will have an outing Saturday, October 5. The program will be held in the Draper Junior High School auditorium at 4:30 p.m., followed by a supper in the cafeteria of the new Draper Elementary School.

The dates and places of the picnics for 25-Year Club members in other mills will be announced soon.