

Members of outgoing safety committee, with mill and safety officials, are shown in front of new safety board at Karastan Mill.

Safety Committeemen Praised For Efforts

The Karastan Mill's 60-member safety committee received congratulation from the mill management as the employees completed six months of tenure.

At a meeting in the mill showroom, Fred Klein, division vice president-rug manufacturing and manager of the Karastan Mill, expressed his appreciation to the safety committeemen for "the outstanding job you have done."

He pointed out that the mill has not had any lost time due to injury thus far in 1966. He attributed the fine record to the interest in accident prevention shown by employees under leadership of the safety committee.

John G. Cunningham, Karastan general superintendent, and Kenneth R. Baggett, safety director, Fieldcrest Mills, spoke in a similar vein. Jones W. Norman, area personnel manager, pointed out that the mill is approaching an average of 2,000 hours per employee since the lost-time accident and that employees of the mill would soon be entitled to a free barbecue dinner under terms of the Fieldcrest safety contest.

Mr. Baggett presented a summary of the safety experience and statistics for this calendar year and Mr. Norman reviewed the safety reminders program.

Under this program, reminders are distributed to employees every second Monday calling attention to specific points in the safety program, proper lifting, use of hand tools, prompt reporting of any hazards observed, getting first aid immediately for minor injuries, and other points.

Mr. Norman also called attention to the new outside safety board and the new departmental safety boards which have been installed. He announced that a new safety committee will now serve for a six months period and expressed the hope that they will do as well as the first committee did.

Members of the outgoing committee were:

Service Center-1st shift, Fred Hand, assistant foreman: Thurman Hall and Gordon Overby; 2nd shift, Jerry Slaughter, assistant foreman; Ernest Hopkins and Naomi Grogan; 3rd shift, James Walsh, assistant foreman; and Archie Ratliff

Burling and Finishing-1st shift, Morris Turner, assistant foreman; Walter Montgomery (Finishing) and Ellen Heffinger (Burling); 2nd shift, David Wade, assistant foreman; Bill Allen (Finishing) and Doris Powell (Burling); 3rd shift, Harold Young, assistant foreman; Wallace Law (Finishing) and Betty Shelton (Burling).

Dyehouse-1st shift, assistant foreman on shift; and Jesse Galloway; 2nd shift, assistant foreman on shift; and Oscar Tucker; 3rd shift, assistant foreman on shift; and Robert Strong.

Wash House-Harry McKinney, foreman; and Dewey Millner.

Weave Room-1st shift, Elwin Martin, assistant foreman; Harry Evans and William Barker; 2nd shift, Tom Smithwick, assistant foreman; Robert Thompson and William Murray; 3rd shift, Richard Angle, assistant foreman; Watson Gunter and Morris Davis.

Setting-1st shift, Wayne Odell, assistant foreman; Barry Martin and Cora Carter; 2nd shift, Tom Colvin, assistant foreman; Bea Earles and Calvin Craddock; 3rd shift, Bill Hairfield, assistant foreman; Frances Dunivant and Roy Chaney.

Mechanical Develompent-first shift, James McGavisk, assistant foreman; and William Shields.

Shop-1st shift, Bill Cook, assistant foreman; and Ralph Kirks; 2nd shift, Aubrey Hamrick, second hand; and Raymond Farmer.

Employees' Son Is Ordained As Minister

Rev. Billy Ray Hoffner, son of employees of the North Carolina Finishing Co. Division at Salisbury, is now located in Johnson City, Tenn., as pastor of Our Savior Lutheran Church

He is the son of Robert L. Hoffner, of the Finishing Department, and of Mary Hoffner, Put Up Department.

Rev. Hoffner received his divinity degree at Lutheran Theological Seminary, Columbia, S. C., May 26 and was ordained June 5 at the Lutheran Chapel Lutheran Church, Gastonia.

The new minister is a former NCF employee, having worked at the Salisbury plant each summer during the period 1958-1963. He is a graduate of Spencer High School and a 1962 graduate of Lenoir Rhyne College. He won a Lutheran Brotherhood scholarship.



REV. BILLY RAY HOFFNER