

Superdoffer Finals Set This Week

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thens, Greece, follows up on a last-minute request for an entry blank and information about the tournament.

A possible favorite in the warp division will be the 1973 winner, Bob Lawrence of Dixie Yarns, Inc. if he can win his own company championship.

Another 1973 champion, Randy Teale of Cannon Mills, winner of the filling division contest, will not be eligible for the 1976 tournament, because he has been promoted and is no longer a "working doffer" according to the rules.

An incomplete canvas of participating companies indicates that more women are competing in the 1976 tournament than in the first tournament three years ago. Irene Hawkins, of Mayfair Mills, the top lady contender in the 1973 tournament is back this time and already a division winner, according to Bill Peebles, company coordinator.

Cannon Mills Company reported that three out of four contestants at the company's Plant 16 were women and the ladies scored first and second. Whether they can go to take it all remains to be seen.

At Cone Mills Corp., where 138 doffers are vying for company championships, a woman, Mary Penn, lost out in semi-finals to Ernest Blackwell after winning on her home ground in Revolution Plant.

At Textiles-Incorporated, Gastonia, the unusual tournament has turned brother against brother as Elvis Lane beat out the half-brother who trained him

as a doffer, to become champion of the company's Superior Yarn division. "He's younger than me," smiled Wayne Beaty, beaten by a hefty 11 seconds.



Babe Kimbrell is fastest filling doffer at Alexander.



Tracy Gilbert is Alexander's warp doffing champion.

Promoted



ELMIRA PRIDDY

The promotion of Elmira M. Priddy to general foreman of the Carding and Spinning Department at the Bedsread Mill has been announced, effective recently. Mrs. Priddy first joined Fieldcrest in 1944 as a battery operator in the Bedsread Mill Leave Room. She worked in that capacity for the next eight years. She was transferred to the Carding and Spinning Department in 1952 and worked on virtually every job in the department, including inspector, production recorder and loader, quality coordinator and assistant foreman. She was named a shift foreman in 1970 and continued in that classification until her latest promotion.

Tanzanian Visits Fieldcrest

Fieldcrest was host recently to a most interesting and distinguished visitor. His name is Uledi Faraji. He is from the African country of Tanzania, where he is a personnel training officer with National Textile Industries Co., Ltd.

Under the sponsorship of the United Nations, Mr. Faraji is spending several months in the United States visiting various industries and taking personnel training courses to increase his knowledge of personnel management interviewing, selection, training manpower development and industrial relations.

He spent a week in the Fieldcrest Industrial Relations Department, studying the company's personnel policies and practices.

Mr. Faraji is one of a group of seven Tanzanians from various industries who are participating in the UN program. On leaving Fieldcrest, he will spend a week in Raleigh in the State Personnel Department then a week at Dan River, Inc., in Danville, Va.

He will then return to the University of Connecticut at Hartford for the remaining weeks of his stay in the U.S. He has already spent several months at the university taking personnel courses.

The Tanzanian said that he had begun to get very homesick for his wife, Asxi, and their six children who range in age from 14 to four. The family lives in a city of about 500,000, and Mr.



Uledi Faraji, center, observes Fieldcrest's computer-based personnel records system operated by Laura Horsley, personnel data control clerk. At right is R. L. Moore, regional personnel manager.

Faraji says that life there is not very different from life here.

One difference he noted was that no one there drives large cars such as Americans do.

Tanzania does not import many cars from the U.S. because, "they are too large and consume too much petrol."

Mr. Faraji holds a diploma

New Foreman



Charles C. Perdue, Jr., has been named a shift foreman in the Carding and Spinning Department at the Bedsread Mill, effective recently.

He joined Fieldcrest in 1972 as a stock man in the Canteen Department. Later that year, he became a vending machine serviceman. He joined the Fieldcrest supervisory training program in November, 1975.

A native of Martinsville, Va., he was previously employed as a supervisor by Southeast Vendors, Inc., of Danville, Va. He is married and the father of two children.

from the Mzumbe Secondary School in Tanzania and received his education in business administration in Italy. He and his fellow Tanzanians will return to their country on April 16, hopefully taking back with them some useful techniques which can be applied there.