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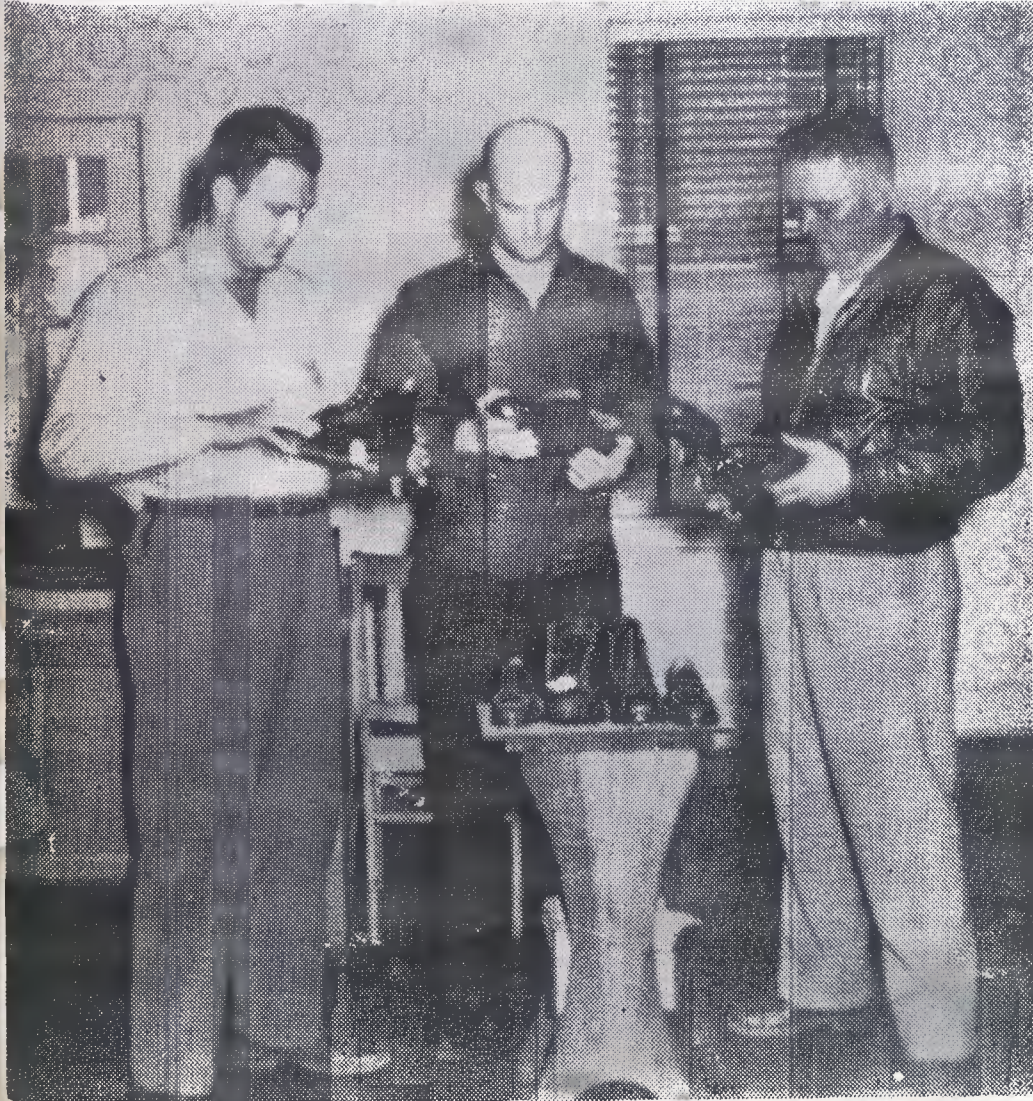
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GET A STEP AHEAD WITH SAFETY SHOES



James Modlin, Final Examining; J. T. Eppes, Dyehouse; and Owen Solmon of the Weaving Department are shown examining samples of the safety shoes which the company plans to make available to all employees at cost. The above employees are members of the Safety Inspection Committee for March and April. Ray Barnhill of the Storeroom, the other member of this committee was absent when the picture was taken.

Miss Stancil Honored

Miss Jeanette Stancil, daughter of Mrs. Deanie Stancil of the first shift Warping Department was tapped by the National Honor Society of Rocky Mount High School at a chapel program, Tuesday, March 15, at 12:15 p. m., Miss Stancil was one of nine students from the Junior Class to receive this honor.

To be eligible for membership in the National Honor Society a student must be a member of either the Junior or Senior class and must have outstanding qualifications in the fields of leadership, scholarship, character and service.

Miss Stancil is 16 years of age and has made a very commendable record as a student.

The Reverend Charles McLaughlin, pastor of the Catholic Church, Our Lady of Perpetual Help, gave a very impressive address to the students encouraging more leadership participation among students.

Wilson Gives Funds

The Red Cross Drive for the Wilson Division was completed March 7, 1949. The quota for the plant was \$125; and the contributions were \$120.50. This figure included both the contributions of the employees and that of the company.

Looks Like Yankees Are Getting Upset About Us N. C. Folks

Hartford, Conn., March 20—(AP)—New England Manufacturers were asked today to raise a \$500,000 fund to "organize Southern labor" and protect their own Northern industries.

Chester Bowles, Governor of Connecticut, offered the plan as a protection against what he called "competition from sweat shop operators."

He suggested it at the New England Council's 94th quarterly meeting, which heard words of reassurance for the business world.

Bowles said there were signs of

Safety Shoes To Be Available To Employees

Safety shoes may be the solution to your toe worries and the employees at Caromount will have an opportunity to obtain these shoes on a convenient payroll deduction plan and at a savings in cost.

Safety shoes are neat comfortable shoes that appear as any other shoe but they have the added protection of a reinforced steel cap which protects the toes from falling objects, trucks, jacks, etc. This shoe can hold up a 3000 pound weight without injury to the toe.

Caromount Case Histories

William Trevathan of the Weaving Department recently had a cross bar fall on his right foot causing a fracture of the big toe.

Mrs. Ertie Edwards of the Finishing Department suffered a fracture of the little toe when a jack

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Ward For Alderman

R. Quillen Ward, Personnel Director, has filed his candidacy for Alderman from the Fourth Ward in the city election to be held in Rocky Mount on May 2.

In announcing Ward's candidacy The Evening Telegram, Rocky Mount's newspaper, stated, "Quillen Ward, the newcomer to the political scene, has compiled an enviable record of public service."

Mr. Ward promised, if elected, to represent the Fourth Ward, that "I shall at all times stand for what is right and help to obtain the best for the citizens of Rocky Mount."

Loomfixer In Friendly Contest With Weavers

Charles Johnson, loomfixer, decided on a novel way to increase the quality of cloth produced in his section. Knowing that all mortals are interested in eating, Johnson presented the following plan to his weavers.

Each time a weaver made a grade IV piece of cloth he was to put a dollar in the kitty. Then at a set date they were to gather for a barbecue and chicken dinner which was to be paid for from funds in the kitty. If the kitty did not contain enough money, then the loomfixer would pay the difference.

Everyone agreed to this plan and at the end of the first week the kitty had grown to \$8.00. These weavers were weaving difficult qualities of cloth and it was hard to get by without any imperfections; but the second week rolled by without a single "railroad track" or "branchline" (wrong draws). Although the kitty was not showing the price of a supper, Johnson was gratified to know that the weavers in his section were turning out good quality cloth.

On March 9 they gathered at Josh Bullocks where they enjoyed

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Schell To Address Chamber of Commerce

Mr. H. H. Schell, President, Sidney Blumenthal and Co., Inc., will be the speaker at the Forty-fifth Annual Meeting and Banquet of the Rocky Mount Chamber of Commerce, Monday, April 4, 1949, at 7:00 P. M. at the New Ricks Hotel.

Mr. Schell has appeared before numerous business and industrial meetings in the past few months as the speaker following extensive work in Europe on important international conferences dealing with the recovery of that continent. His message will undoubtedly be an aid to understanding the European and Russian picture in their true perspective.

Mr. Schell's talk will be broadcast over Stations WEED and WGTM. Employees of the Caromount and Wilson Divisions of Sidney Blumenthal and Co., Inc. are especially invited to listen.

a "growing New England inferiority complex," that the section was living too much on past glories.

Then he suggested the manufacturers' associations of the various states raise the half-million dollar fund to assist labor unions, particularly the textile workers, "in their efforts to organize Southern labor." "This is a practical solution," Bowles said, "that will go a long way toward halting the drain in certain fields of manufacturing away from the Northern states." —Journal of Commerce.