

The Caromount News

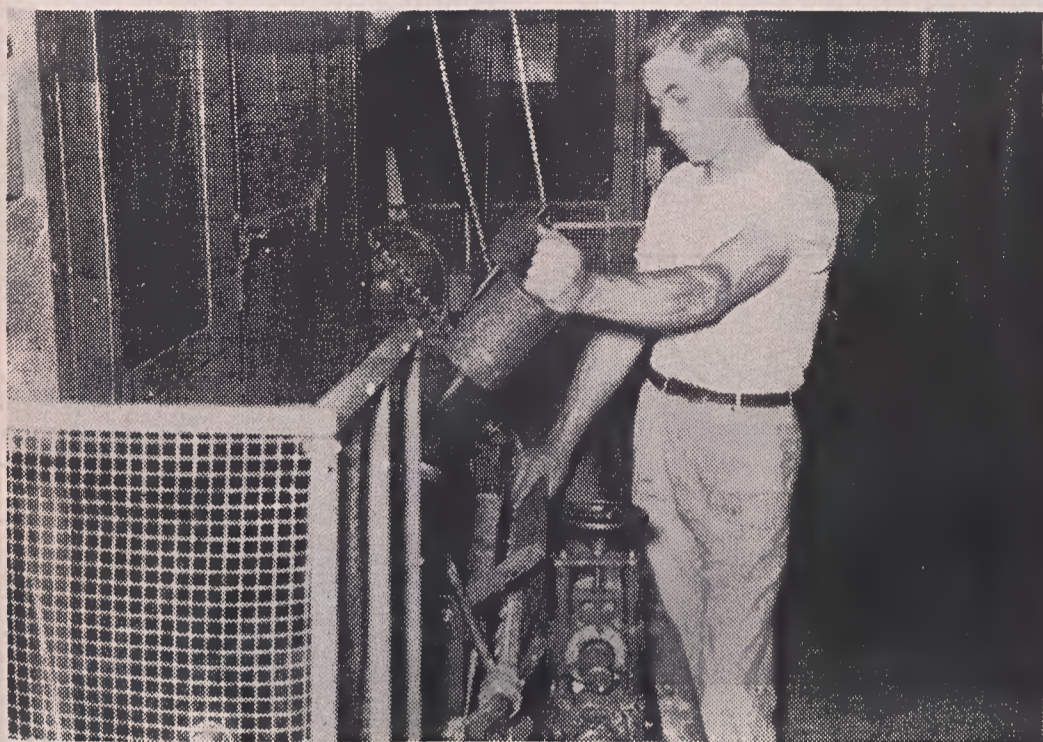
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New Safety Guard Devised



Justice Boyd (Machine Shop) inspects a newly installed guard to protect fingers from the nip rolls used in connection with the "Kleersheen" stencil. This guard was designed to prevent the recurrence of a recent accident in which an employee received painfully mashed fingers while attempting to wipe a grease spot from the roll.

The installation of this guard is in keeping with the company's policy of providing safe working conditions and machinery; however, records show that 80% of all accidents are caused by the human element so it becomes most important that the individual employee work and act safely.

Back Of The "Ice Box"

All of us want the benefits of free enterprise, but many of us hesitate to take the risk of investing our savings in new ideas and inventions.

But had it not been for a group of men and women, willing enough to invest their money in a new venture, we probably would not have the mechanical refrigerator today.

From the time the refrigerator was first developed back in 1929 these people invested a total of \$130,000,000 for its development and for the tools to produce it, despite warnings from skeptics that the "new fangled ice box" wouldn't work.

The capital risk taken by these investors has paid off in many ways. It was their faith in "the new ice box" that created 20,000 new jobs, and reduced the cost of the refrigerator from \$725 to within easy reach of nearly every householder's pocketbook.

Our standard of living has been increased because among other things, hopeful people in America have been willing to invest their savings in enterprise — big and little.

Safety Scoreboard

The first column shows the number of accidents requiring medical attention and the second, the number of lost time accidents since July 1, 1950.

Warping	0	0
Weaving	1	0
Raw Goods & Mending ..	0	0
Engineering	0	0
Office	0	0
Receiving	0	0
Dyehouse	0	0
Finishing	0	0
Final Examining	0	0
Shipping	2	0
Wilson	0	1

With the speed up in production, there is a tendency to put safety aside; however, it is important to remember that an injured worker slows down production. There is no short cut to safety.

Careful workers reduce accidents.

A renewed effort on the part of every worker to:

1. Work carefully.
2. Act wisely.
3. To report unsafe conditions will help us end the year without suffering and loss of pay which goes with accidents.

Picnic And Outing Attended By 1700

Approximately 1700, including employees and their families of the Caromount and Wilson Divisions gathered in the Caromount park area on Saturday, August 12, for an afternoon of fun and fellowship.

The assembled picnic crowd opened the program with the singing of "America", after which E. H. Suessmuth, resident manager extended a cordial welcome and greetings from President H. H. Schell.

The beauty pageant for tots registered 65 sons and daughters of employees and as they paraded in front of the judges they won the approval of the spectators crowded around. Prizes were awarded to the following winners: Girls from 2 to 4 years of age—Connie Perdue and Carolyn Clark; girls from 4 to 6 years of age—Sandra Shelton and Becky Edwards; boys 2 to 4 years of age—Hugh Shearin and Thomas Shepard; and boys from 4 to 6 years of age—Pat Ezzelle, Danny Langley and Steve Langley. Miss Lou Williams, Rocky Mount Teen Age Center; W. B. Harrison, Alderman; and J. E. Thorne, Atlantic Coast Line, judged this contest.

Mrs. Georgine Harper and Mrs. Mary Trevathan directed the Beauty Pageant for the Tots.

The pet parade and show boasted 25 entries including dogs, tame fox, pheasants, quail, game cocks, rabbits, and others. R. Graham Dozier, Manager of Rocky Mount Chamber of Commerce and judge of this event selected the following winners: The most unusual pet, fox and dog, exhibited by Charlie Dorsey; best adult pet, Pomeranian shown by Fred Simmons; best child's pet, Boxer shown by Peggy Whitehurst; best fowl, gamecock shown by P. L. Morris; best rabbits, shown by Jim Langley; and best birds, quail and pheasants shown by James Dozier. Julian Whitehurst directed this event.

The Caromount Scout Cabin was converted into an exhibit hall where 50 women exhibited some 200 articles of their own work.

The following women were awarded blue and red ribbon prizes for their exhibits: Mrs. Nannie Dickens, Mrs. Mildred Pavelka, Mrs. Ethelyne Boyd, Mrs.

Ruth Haskins, Mrs. Magdline Vaughn, Mrs. Janna Gupton, Mrs. Julia Jones, Mrs. Blanch Brantley, Mrs. Lessie Gray Parker, Mrs. Annie Turner, Mrs. Agnes Lanley, Mrs. Maud Ward, Mrs. Mattie Draughan, Mrs. Clara Harlow, Mrs. Cora Layton, Mrs. Alma Lancaster, Mrs. Ethel Wallace, Mrs. Ruby Campbell, Mrs. Pauline Morris, Mrs. Marie Dew, Mrs. Thersla Perdue, Mrs. Lena Walker, Mrs. Annie Wheeler, Mrs. Addie Mae Stith, Mrs. Lucille Waddell, Mrs. Ora Lee Ward, Mrs. Lula Massey, Mrs. Juanita Rose, Mrs. Alice Long, Mrs. Mamie Taylor and Mrs. Ruth Reid.

Mrs. Effie Vines Gordon, former Home Demonstration Agent in Nash County, was special adviser for this exhibit and conducted the judging assisted by Mrs. W. R. Staley.

The exhibits for men displayed some 30 articles, ranging from tooth pick holders to motor boats ready for the water, all of which were the works of the exhibitors. The rare and unusual collections varied from rare handkerchiefs to a 220 year old violin and the collection of oil paintings and drawings won favorable comments.

Winners for these exhibits: Herman Atkins, Horace Evans, Leslie Alexander, Lee Joyner, Fred Simmons, Harvey Lee Denson, Herbert Clark, Chester Johnson, Oscar Satterfield, Lawrence Worrell and Arnold Webb. These exhibits were under the supervision of Randolph Sutton and D. W. Adams, and were judged by Mrs. J. B. A. Daughtridge, R. Graham Dozier and Robert Gay.

Approximately 150 children of Blumenthal employees participated in various contests and individual prizes were awarded to the following winners: Wilma Griffin, Elizabeth Wells, Tom Nelms and Tony Bledsoe. Comic books, balloons, whistles and other favors were distributed to the children. These contests were conducted by Clayton Hedgepeth.

About 100 adults participated in the contest for men and women with individual prizes being awarded to Mrs. Ethelyne Boyd, Mrs. Alice Long, Frank Weaver, Dick Roundtree, Earl Bowden,

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