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## Employee Chosen For Bond Poster Program



A bond poster, featuring the bond program slogan for 1955, is placed on a local mail truck at the post office by Mrs. Minnie Inscoe, bond buyer employed in our Mending Department. Mail trucks throughout the country are carrying the new posters to promote sales of bonds. Mrs. Inscoe is a regular bond buyer through our payroll savings plan.

## Forty Employees Get Safety Certificates

On February 4, the second ten-hour course was completed this year at Caromount. These courses were taught by H. L. Jennerjohn, senior Safety Supervisor for the North Carolina Industrial Commission. The course consisted of five sessions:

- 1 Accidents and Industry
  - (a) Number, cost and trend of industrial accidents.
  - (b) Production and Accidents.
  - (c) Hidden Cost.
- 2 Finding Causes of Accidents
  - (a) Reports.
  - (b) Investigation.
  - (c) Inspection.
- 3 Applying the Cure
  - (a) Safety Committees.
  - (b) Guarding.
  - (c) Supervision.
- 4 The New Employee
  - (a) How to Instruct.
  - (b) Placing.
  - (c) Follow up.
- 5 "Off the Job" Accidents
  - (a) How it affects industry and production.
  - (b) Highway.
  - (c) Home.
  - (d) Other Places.
  - (e) Absenteeism.

The courses were attended by forty people and were well received. Mr. Jennerjohn used movies to supplement his lectures and presented a very good program.

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## Parking For 350 Cars Nears Completion

The trees have been cleared from the new parking area and a greater portion of the area has been covered with crushed stone. Plans are being made for marking off individual spaces, allowing for about 350 cars.

The Allison Fence Company has begun the installation of the fence around the parking area. Cement walkways will be built for the convenience of employees.

The parking area is being built by the Caromount Engineering Department under the supervision of Charlie Laughridge.

## Providing Space For Converting Machines

Skein dyers, printing machines and the two yarn dyers will be located in the last section of the new building. New foundations and building trenches for this machinery are under construction. Also under construction is the new rubberizing compounding mezzanine foundation. This will be located in the first section of the new building adjacent to the pin tenter which is used for drying cloth. Storage area on the platform of the new building has been completed and this is to be used for storage of yarn dye chemicals and yarn dyed awaiting shipment.

## Progress Made In Modernizing Plant

Progress is being made on the program of modernizing our plant. Concerning this matter, J. E. Taylor, Vice President, stated, "The program of modernization for the plant is moving along satisfactorily. Every effort is being exerted to speed up the work. In the meantime, there are going to be times when some of us will be inconvenienced temporarily due to construction, moving machinery or relocating production areas. I appreciate the patience of employees in bearing with these inconveniences and hardships. Please bear in mind that the final results will bring about better working conditions for all of us."

Mr. Taylor commended the employees for their cooperation and pledged his support to this modernization program with emphasis on making Blumenthal plants better places to work.

## Matthews Appointed To Head Converting

Malcolm G. Jones, President of Sidney Blumenthal & Co., Inc. has announced the appointment of Raymond L. Matthews as Superintendent of Converting, with headquarters in Rocky Mount.

Mr. Matthews graduated from the Lowell Technological Institute in 1934, and joined the General

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## Employee Succumbs After Long Illness

It is with deep regret that we report the death of Eddie Leslie Brake, an employee in the Finishing Department for the past 10 years, who died in a local hospital on February 13, following an extended illness. Mr. Brake had been out of work since September, 1954, until which time he was outstanding as a steady, reliable employee.

His wife and five children survive; Billy Boy, a son, is an employee at Caromount at the present time.

Funeral services were held February 14, with interment at Roanoke Rapids cemetery.

## New Boy Scouts Added

Neverson Lewis, scoutmaster for Caromount's troop 113, reports that during this month the troop has gained two new members. Barry Goddard and Butch Speight were taken into the troop on Tuesday night, February 15, at one of their regular meetings. These new members represent an intensive drive for increase in the local troop on the part of both the scoutmaster and the boys who are already members. Scoutmaster Lewis stated that he is very optimistic about the troop this year and already has more prospective scouts attending their meetings.

## Employees Study Accident Prevention



Completing the second Safety Course at Caromount on February 4, were front row, left to right, W. Tippet, Mrs. Ruth Reid, Mrs. Claudie Doughtie, Miss Mildred Cobb, Mrs. Estelle Joyner, Herman Ezzelle, Cornelius Cooper and H. L. Jennerjohn of the N. C. Industrial Commission. Back row, left to right, J. C. Smith, Cliff Weaver, Jim Jenkins, Jack Matthews, Jessie Lee Adams, Phil Winstead and Gus Riley.