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ECUSTA BEATS TWO WORLD SAFETY RECORDS

Two world safety records were broken in December by the Ecusta Paper Division plant at Pisgah Forest.

The world record for tissue mills was broken December 16 when Ecusta employees passed the previous high of 3,484,427 injury-free worker hours established in 1972-73 by Scott Paper Co.'s plant in Marinette, Wisc. That topped the record for paper mills which the Ecusta plant broke December 9, passing the 3,408,834 injury-free worker hour's record held since 1972-73 by Domtar Pulp and Paper Ltd. of Quebec, Canada.

Tissue mills and paper mills are two of the 13 classifications established by the National Safety Council for the pulp and paper category. Both previous world records were established in 1972-73.

"It is my hope that this is only the beginning," Lawrence H. Staples, vice president and general manager of the Ecusta Paper Division, stated in a bulletin issued at noon.

"I am indebted to each individual of Ecusta in this accomplishment, and I assure you that, while records are noteworthy, my personal satisfaction is found in the greatly reduced human suffering.

"In a sense, Christmas came early for all of us in 1975. Let's all continue working together to keep Ecusta the world's safest paper mill."

Frank J. McGibboney, director of production, congratulated Ecusta employees in a bulletin December 9 "for your dedication and effort in the achievement" of passing the paper mill record. Pointing out that Ecusta had avoided a disabling in-

jury since January 4, 1975, McGibboney stated:

"Since January we have all demonstrated the ability to operate the mill in a safe fashion, and I want to ask all of you to continue to show an active concern for your individual safe practices and those of other people in the mill."

Much of the success of the safety program has been attributed to efforts of Local 1971 United Paperworkers International. At ceremonies last September commemorating a new safety record for the location, when more than 5,000,000 injury-free worker hours had been accumulated by the Ecusta and Film Division plants, Group President Garza Baldwin, Jr., presented a plaque to Paul Seagle, Union president, in appreciation of the Union's involvement and commitment to the location's safety effort.

The location safety record was in excess of 6,200,000 injury-free worker hours when Ecusta broke the second world record December 16.



Thanks to the use of Olin's cherry picker, the flag pole at Pisgah Forest Elementary School now has a workable rope. Bill Davis of Ecusta Paper Division's Maintenance Department is shown in the bucket securing the new rope, while controls of the boom were operated by James Saunders. Gene Allison, vice president of Local 1971 United Paperworkers International, noticed that the earlier rope was broken and made the suggestion that led to its repair.