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Columbus Gets New Mill



Weather Thursday: High 70, low 60, rain 1.97 . . . The most welcome news in Polk County today is the announcement that Deering Milliken Co., will erect a woolen mill in Columbus. This will be a great asset to the entire section. The newcomers will find a royal welcome and the hearty cooperation of all civic leaders throughout the county. We congratulate Columbus on its great acquisition. Mrs. Thompson of the Tryon Chamber of Commerce has typed hundreds of pages of information for the local committee working to bring this mill and others to the county. State officials and others have had many nice things to say about Deering Milliken and we are sure their officials will not regret choosing Columbus as the site for their new plant

. . . A group of the civic leaders of Polk County are sponsoring an informal dinner this evening at Oak Hall in order to meet and to welcome some of the key men of the new plant and the engineering staff of Deering Milliken.

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Roger Milliken, president of Deering, Milliken & Co., Inc., announced today that Deering Milliken, Inc., will construct a fancy woolen mill at Columbus, which will be known as The Hatch Mill in honor of Harold Hatch, director and vice-president of Deering Milliken, Inc. It will be a one-story building and will cost an estimated two million dollars. The new building will be constructed by Daniel Construction Co., of Greenville, according to the most modern designs and will be air conditioned throughout the entire production area.

The Hatch Mill will be equipped with the latest and most modern equipment available and will manufacture raw stock dyed woolsens, primarily for dress and sportswear trades. The operations involved in the manufacturing processes will be raw stock dyeing, carding spinning and weaving. The wooden pieces woven at The Hatch Mill will be finished at Excelsior Mills No. 1 at Union, S. C., and Excelsior Mills No. 4 at Pendleton, S. C.

It was also revealed that The Hatch Mill will provide employment for about two hundred people in southwestern North Carolina. (Local civic leaders) state that this mill should be of widespread interest to the people of the Tryon and Columbus area and the State of North Carolina as a whole, since it is anticipated that most of the jobs will be filled by residents of Columbus, Tryon and

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