



James Spencer Love

James Spencer Love, chairman of the board and president of Burlington Industries, Inc., was born in Cambridge, Mass. He was educated at the Cambridge Latin School and Harvard University. Mr. Love began his business and textile career in March, 1919, joining the Gastonia Cotton Manufacturing Company at Gastonia. The following year with his father, he purchased controlling interest in the small mill he was working for and became secretary-treasurer and chief executive officer. In 1923, the Gastonia company was sold and the machines were moved to Burlington, where, with a group of local businessmen, the first mill of the present Burlington Industries, Inc., was organized and built. Mr. Love has served as chief executive of the company since its founding. Burlington Industries is now the leading fabricator of textiles in the world.



Stephen A. Bundy

Stephen A. Bundy has been superintendent of Franklin Hosiery Company since its opening and was on duty at the plant even before construction was completed. A native of Jamestown, he is a graduate of North Carolina State College. He joined Burlington in March of 1946, following his discharge from the Army Air Force, having served four years during World War II. Since joining Burlington as a manufacturing apprentice in a plant at Asheboro, Mr. Bundy has had extensive manufacturing and administrative experience in several Burlington plant operations. He is a member of the Franklin Methodist Church, the Rotary Club, and a past director of the Franklin Chamber of Commerce. Married to the former Miss Alice Ligon. He and Mrs. Bundy have two children, Ligon and Stephen, Jr.



Richard P. Murphy

Richard P. Murphy is office manager of Franklin Hosiery Company, a position he has held since November, 1957. A native of Columbia, Tenn., he joined Burlington Hosiery Company in June 1954, at Harriman, Tenn., where he served in administrative duties until coming to Franklin. Mr. Murphy attended Central High School in Columbia and is a graduate of Tennessee Tech. Before joining Burlington, he served for four years in the U. S. Army and was a teacher and coach at Clinton County, Ky., and in Harriman. He is a member of the First Methodist Church here and treasurer of the Babe Ruth League. Mr. Murphy is married to the former Miss Madeline Fletcher, of Rose Hill, Va. They have two children, Linda and Marlene, ages 4 and 6.

Burlington Firm Top Fabricator

Burlington Industries, the parent firm of Franklin Hosiery Company, is the world's leading fabricator of textiles — a major supplier of fabrics for every type of apparel, for the home, and for industrial uses.

Burlington is the largest weaver of man-made fibers, of worsteds and woolsens, of glass fabrics; the largest of hosiery manufacturers; and one of the largest factors in cotton textiles.

Their plants produce over one billion yards of woven material each year. Burlington fabrics go into virtually every known textile market. End uses of Burlington products include:

Apparel — fabrics for: men's regular and tropical weight suits, shirts, slacks, dress and sport shirts, sportswear, ties, jackets, uniforms, rainwear, work clothing, pajamas, robes, underwear, overcoats, and beachwear; in women's dresses, suits, coats, skirts, slacks, lingerie, beachwear, blouses, sleep wear, and uniforms; also children's wear of all kinds. End products made by Burlington are principally all types of hosiery for men, women and children; and ribbons.

Industrial: chafer fabrics for tires; fabrics for auto upholstery, auto seat covers and auto convertible tops; fiberglass reinforcement for boats, luggage, aircraft, missiles, helmets, etc.; man-made fiber reinforcement fabrics for swimming pools, packaging materials, abrasives, tapes and narrow fabrics; vinyl-coated fabrics for other industrial uses.

Household: upholstery, slipcovers, draperies, mattress tickings, sheets, carpets, wall coverings.



FRANKLIN HOSIERY COMPANY, AN OFFSPRING OF BURLINGTON INDUSTRIES

NO EXPENSE OR EFFORT SPARED —

Franklin Plant Is Last Word In Modern Hosiery Production

Franklin Hosiery Company is one of the most modern and best equipped hosiery plants in the world.

From the time the ground was broken until the first knitting machine went into production on May 30, 1955, no expense or effort was spared to provide the best in building, equipment, machinery, and employee working conditions.

The one-story, completely air-conditioned building, with almost 70,000 square feet of floor space, rests on a 30-acre tract of land, which provides ample parking space for plant employees and visitors.

The all-modern plant is specially equipped and employee comfort

The plant is a unit of Burlington Hosiery Company, world's leading producer of hosiery for men, women, and children. It is a greige knitting and processing operation, producing ladies' seamless hosiery.

Months Of Study

The announcement in October, 1955, by Frank B. Duncan, then chairman of the Industrial Division of the Franklin Chamber of Commerce, and Woodrow Reeves, president of the Chamber of Commerce, that Burlington

would erect a plant in Macon County culminated several weeks of negotiation on the part of Burlington officials and Macon citizens. It also ended months of study by Burlington representatives of possible sites for the new plant facility, a survey that involved several states and a number of communities.

Working with Mr. Duncan and Mr. Reeves to bring the Burlington plant here were John M. Archer, Jr., president, and Harmon H. Gnuse, Jr., vice-president, of Nantahala Power and Light Company. Members of the board of aldermen and members of the county board of commissioners cooperated very closely in negotiations and in contacts with Burlington representatives. The chamber of commerce secured a tract of approximately 30 acres of land for presentation to Burlington as a plant site.

The erection of the Franklin

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Congratulations to

Franklin Hosiery Co.

on their

FIFTH ANNIVERSARY

Their growth and development here has meant a lot to our community. We want to take this opportunity to say to each and every employee and to the entire organization,

"WE ARE PROUD OF YOU".

In all sincerity, may we add that we hope your progress here in the future will be as rapid as it has been in the past.

We have certainly enjoyed doing business with each of you, and if there is any way we can be of service in the future, please let us know.

MACON COUNTY SUPPLY CO.

and

MACON FURNITURE MART

CONGRATULATIONS

And

BEST WISHES

To

Franklin Hosiery Co.

On Their

Fifth Anniversary

YOUR GROWTH HAS MEANT

A LOT TO OUR

COMMUNITY

THE CHILDREN'S SHOP

a great big

Happy Birthday

to

Franklin Hosiery Company

from

Macon Motor Company

it's great having you in our community

CONGRATULATIONS TO ...

Franklin largest industry

FRANKLIN HOSIERY COMPANY

On their fifth anniversary

and

BEST WISHES FOR THE FUTURE

from

THE PAINT POT