



Future Instructors - Twenty two employees of the Cooleemee Plants participated in a Special Instructor's Seminar last Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. The school, held at the Recreation Center, was designed to train employees to become instructors of other employees. Certificates were presented to all participants by C.E. Cooley, Cooleemee Division Manager. Participating were (L-R), front row, Earl Prevette, Cecil Johnson, Butch Owens, Ethel Bivins,

Joyce Clawson, Sadie Barnhardt, Lotta Adams; Second row, R.V. Cook, Walter Myers, Gurney Burris, Laura White, Joyce Lankford, Reba Gobble; Third row, John Whitehead, Oscar Call, William Head, Paul Gibbons, Tom Daniels; Fourth row, Fred Pierce, Training Supervisor, Jerry Sherrill, Bobby Laird, Classel Anderson, Dan Moore, Training Director.

Election Dec. 6 For Supervisor Of Conservation

An election of a Soil and Water Conservation District Supervisor for Davis Soil and Water Conservation District will be held on December 6, to select one Soil and Water Conservation District Supervisor.

All qualified voters within the county of Davis will be eligible to vote.

The candidate receiving the highest number of votes will be elected for a term of three years beginning January 8, 1969.

Ballot boxes will be placed as follows: Johnson's Gulf Service, Rt. 2, Mocksville; Elmore Grocery and Service, Rt. 2, Mocksville; Davis Tractor and Implement Company, Mocksville;

Cartner's Service Station, Rt. 1, Mocksville; Red Cornatzer's Store, Advance; Elmo Foster's Store, Rt. 3, Mocksville; Spear Bros. 66 Service, Intersect 601 and 801.

These men have been nominated by regular petition, I. H. "Cokie" Jones, Rt. 1, Advance, and L. R. Towell, Rt. 1, Mocksville, N. C.

Women At Fiber Invade Men's World

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If women "wear the pants" at home, why can't they do likewise on the job?

Women do "wear the pants" in many jobs at Fiber Industries, and still maintain their families and femininity. They come from numerous towns and communities to work on rotating shifts at this gigantic plant with the entrance off Highway 76.

In her fourth week at Fiber, Mrs. William L. Garner travels daily from Statesville to her employment in the panograph and staple department. The soft-spoken woman has one daughter, Janet Louise, 10, a fourth grade student at Unity School. Her husband, has been

employed for 18 years in the table slide department at Statesville Chair Compa

Mrs. Garner, a production operator, is used to hard work, and doesn't object to wearing masculine attire. After school, her daughter rides the bus to the home of her grandmother, Mrs. Inula Cown. When her mother works on the first shift, 7 a.m. to 3 p.m., the two can look forward to spending afternoons together.

Domestic duties of the mother and housewife reached beyond her home, before she joined the huge work force at Fiber. Mrs. Garner was maid at Broad Street United Methodist Church for 17 years, and she also has worked as a maid in a private home and motel

in Statesville.

For a month, Mrs. Linda Lankford of Mocksville, was the only woman in the filament spinning department, but now she has two other female companions. The mother of two children, Debbie, seven, and Jeffrey, four, said lifting heavy objects doesn't bother her, as she manually transports 45 pound packs each day. She was transferred to this department, where formerly the work was considered too heavy for women.

Mrs. Lankford, whose husband, G. C. Lankford, works at Rowan Dairy in Salisbury, said she was looking forward to a five-day vacation with her family, after completing a seven-day cycle on the first shift. When she works on the

second shift, 3 p.m. to 11 p.m., she has one day off, and the third, 11 p.m. to 7 a.m., two days off.

Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Boger of 234 Broad Drive, Concord, Miss Sandra Boger makes her home in Salisbury and has been at Fiber for 17 months. She works in the production services department with three other women, and their duties include lifting 45 pound packs. "Once you get used to it," Miss Boger admitted, "lifting is not bad."

The seventh child in a family of eight brothers and one sister, Miss Boger is a 1959 graduate of Logan High School and attended Barber Scottie College in Concord. She is a member of a Baptist church in Concord and was formerly employed there as a dryer for Craftman Finishing Company.

A foreman in the quality control department, Mrs. Dot Hutchins said that her job required more mental than physical exertion. The brunette mother of five, who was employed by Winn-Dixie in Salisbury, for 13 years, said that her job is interesting and that she acquired her lab knowledge by on-the-job experience.

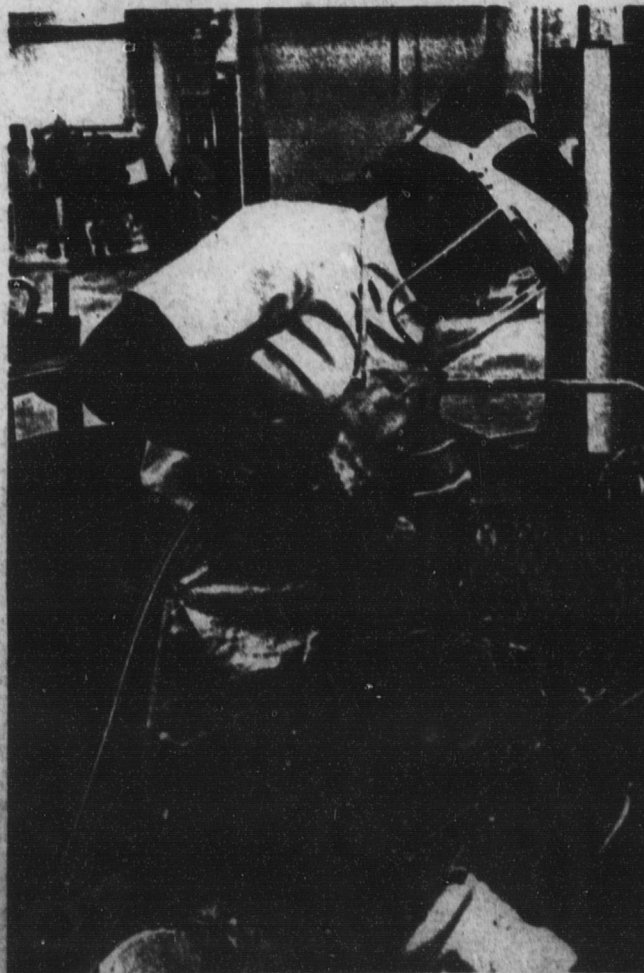
Confident that she could learn the lab techniques, Mrs. Hutchins, a Fiber employe for two years, said that she never thought about the hard part of the job.

The Hutchins family includes a married daughter, Mrs. Tommy Hill of Gold Hill; Bobby, 18, student at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill; Patty, 16, David 15, students at North Rowan High School; and Randy, 13, student at East Spencer School. "They just do their jobs," Mrs. Hutchins replied, when asked about assistance with housekeeping duties at their residence, 100 South

Since driving is a hobby with Mrs. Elaine Howie, she enjoys her work as the plant's only female "warehouseman," where she can drive a fork lift truck. She also is a member of the industry's bowling and softball teams.

Through the insistence of a friend, Mrs. Howie applied at Fiber and has been there for 16 months. Her grandmother, Mrs. Artie Chapman, and a son, Mark Ritchie, five, live with her in Jackson Park, Kannapolis.

If she could travel, the "warehouseman," with her long, dark hair and painted fingernails, said that her first choice would be Cape Cod. Mrs. Howie is taking a correspondence course in journalism, and holds a stenographic diploma from North State Business College in Kannapolis. She also is a graduate of South Rowan High School.



HANDLING MALE JOBS - A Fiber employe for 17 months, Miss Sandra Boger, of Salisbury, left, is handling a man's job in the Production Services Department. She has to wear a safety mask as she does her duty of stripping molten polymer



packs. At right, Mrs. Linda Lankford of Mocksville, concentrates on her job as a production operator in the plant's Filament Spinning Department. She is performing the heavy task of lifting packs out of a pack soaker. (Photos by Mike Clemmer)