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Large Weave Shed Added To Clinton

A major addition which will add 100,000 square feet of floor space to the Clinton plant now is underway, according to an announcement by President P. S. Bailey.

This is a long-range expansion program, Mr. Bailey said, and complete details have not been worked out to the point where they can be announced. As the program progresses, frequent announcements will keep you posted as to future plans.

The initial plans call for a building added to the north end of the No. 2 mill with 100,000 square feet of floor space. A basement also will be added under the west end. Nine houses on Jackson street already have been moved or are in the process of being moved. This street already has been closed because the new addition will overlap the area taken by the street and houses being moved.

The new unit will be of the most modern textile manufacturing construction and will be air conditioned. It is designed for an installation of 1296 looms, with cloth storage and shipping space in the basement.

Present plans call for leaving the cloth room where it now is and it is probable that it will be enlarged after the new addition is in operation.

It is estimated that it will be about a year before the unit is in full operation.

Pictures and statements from management will be given as the project proceeds and as more definite plans are completed.

Plan Now For A Bigger '53 Xmas

Christmas savings accounts for 1953 are starting with the payroll week ending Nov. 22 and those employees wishing to start a savings account for a paid-up Christmas next year should go by the payroll window and sign up or see their second hand for further information. Those already having savings accounts for this Christmas and wishing no changes to be made need do nothing further as it will automatically continue. If you wish a change, see your second hand or the payroll office.

We have many Clinton and Lydia people who already have a paid-up Christmas for this year and they will tell you it is an awfully good feel-

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LOVELY BETTY DAVIS was crowned Queen of the Homecoming football ceremonies held late last month at the Lydia plant. Queen Betty is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hudson Davis.

Unified Charity Drive Nears Goal; Cooperation Is Fine

The Unified Community Chest at both Clinton and Lydia Mills is progressing fine, according to Superintendents George Huguley and J. B. Templeton. The drive will not end until about the time you receive this issue of the Clothmaker, but at our deadline it was obvious that the campaign, even though it is the first one, would prove successful.

Several departments in both mills and the Lydia store were already 100 per cent in participating in the worthwhile campaign when we went to press. Others were nearing that point, and reports from all departments in both mills showed that employees were taking advantage of making one unified contribution to the several worthwhile causes instead of having the many drives which have taken place in the mills heretofore.

A complete report of the Community Chest drive at Clinton-Lydia will be given in the next issue of the Clothmaker. The full details from each department will be given at that time, and judg-

ing from the present progress of the campaign, it will be a most favorable report.

Leaders Taking Newest Training

Mrs. Eva Land and Mrs. Ione Wallace, community directors at Clinton and Lydia Mills, last week attended the annual meeting of the South Carolina Recreational Society at Myrtle Beach.

Outstanding authorities at this meeting provided our leaders with some of the newest and most effective ideas in community work which will be of the utmost benefit to our children and to all other programs which Mrs. Wallace and Mrs. Land direct, George H. Cornelson, mills' vice president said.

"A meeting of this type is a workshop and our representatives learn by doing," he added. "Some of the most outstanding community workers in the country led the discus-

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Third Shift Plays Important Role Maintaining Production

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Our third shift at Lydia Cotton Mills has reason to be proud of their contribution to the overall efficiency of the plant. In most departments, their production either equals or surpasses that of the other shifts.

According to many mill authorities, the second shift should have the best production, the third shift next and the first shift the lowest of the three. Our production at Lydia follows this pattern.

The first shift has good reason for machinery stoppage due to the fact that most overhauling and style changes take place on this shift. The third shift, working at night and sleeping in the day, has to put forth more effort than those on the other shifts to do the same job. Management realizes this fact and that is why a premium wage is paid here at Lydia to those working on the third shift.

We are very fortunate at Lydia in having excellent lighting. This factor contributes greatly to the quality and efficiency of work performed at night. In looking over the production figures in

one department covering a period of six months, we find only six tenths of one per cent difference in the efficiency of the three shifts. In another department this difference is only four tenths of one per cent and in still another department, the difference in the efficiency of the three shifts is only one half of one per cent.

Our third shift at Lydia is very safety conscious. It is easy to lose sleep when working on the third shift, and this naturally affects the alertness of the employee who has not had enough sleep. The shift supervisors, realizing this, are constantly teaching safety. House-cleaning on the third shift is of a high order. Alleys and spare floors are cleaner and freer of obstruction since most of the difficult machinery cleaning is done on the other shifts.

While the third shift at Lydia is proud of the work that they are doing, they also know that any job can be improved. They are always on the lookout for better job methods and ways of improving their efficiency. We can feel confident that they will carry their share of the load as part of the overall team at Lydia Cotton Mills.

David S. Cook, V.-President, Passes After Brief Illness

David Singleton Cook, 51, vice president in charge of manufacturing for Clinton and Lydia Cotton Mills, died October 26 in a Greenville hospital. Interment was held in West Point, Ga., Mr. Cook's home for many years.

Mr. Cook came to Clinton Lydia in January of 1949 after long years of experience elsewhere in the textile industry. A native of Washington, Ga., he was a graduate of the Philadelphia Textile School. He began his textile career with the West Point Manufacturing Co., West Point Ga.

Later he assumed an executive position with Pepprell Manufacturing Co., New York. After five years in the New York office, he became general manager of Pepprell's Biddeford, Maine, plant, a position he held for 15 years. He then became president of Highland City Mills, Talladega, Alabama, leaving there to come to Clinton in 1949.

The multi-million dollar expansion and modernization program which has been underway at both Clinton and Lydia Mills was carried out under his supervision.

Surviving are his widow, Grace, and two daughters, Nancy Abbott and Grace Ter-

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Mr. Cook