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Clinton Mills Acquires Mid-America Yarns, Inc.

Clinton Mills President Robert M. Vance announced earlier that the company has acquired all the stock of Mid-America Yarn Mills, Inc. of Pryor, Oklahoma.

"Mid-America, a carpet yarn producer, will operate as a wholly owned subsidiary of Clinton Mills," Vance said.

Paul Knight, Vice President of

Manufacturing of Mid-America at the time of acquisition, has been named President of the subsidiary.

Mid-America, established in 1969, is a growing supplier of leading carpet manufacturers. The purchase represents Clinton's first move into the carpet yarns market.

Clinton Mills, founded in 1896 by Mercer Silas Bailey, is a major

producer of carded cotton and blend fabrics of polyester and combed cotton.

The company entered the knitted fabrics market in 1970 through acquisition of Superior Knits, Inc. of Greensboro, N. C. and Elastic Fabrics of America, located in Fort Washington, Pennsylvania.

Employee Hearing Tests Began In October

Clinton Mills began its company wide employee hearing tests in early October. The first tests were given Plant No. 1 employees. Tests for Plant No. 2, Lydia, Bailey, and other employees will follow in the coming weeks.

All active employees who have not been tested in the Clinics will be tested on the job, on shift, and during the first two hours of work as scheduled by the Departmental Superintendent and

the person actually doing the testing.

Sound level readings were made some time ago, and the high noise level areas were properly identified. Employees working in designated high noise level areas are required to wear company approved hearing protectors.

Clinton Mills has always been concerned about the health and safety of its employees. The company feels that its current hearing conservation program affords all employees effective hearing protection.

Each clinic is equipped with a Tracor sound proof booth and automatic testing devices.

The hearing tests are similar to, and as short and simple as an eyesight test. An employee simply has the earphones adjusted to his ears while in the booth. The person being tested presses the control button when he hears a series of pre-determined frequency test signals.

The machine automatically records the test readings.



"Press when you hear, release when you don't."—Luther Franklin, No. 1 Cloth.



"We wear the ear muffs until time for the hearing test."—Arthur Davis, No. 1 Weaving.

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