

About 550 Employees At

Approximately 550 employees, who had completed 25 or more continuous years' service to the company, and their guests were honored at the 29th Old Timers gathering Oct. 14, 1984, in the Presbyterian College dining hall.

The Clinton High School mixed chorus, under the direction of Miss Dale Davis, provided a series of patriotic songs for the group's enjoyment.

Completing 25 years' service during 1984 were Eugene Bishop, No. 2 Weave; Billy Watkins, Warehouse; Rosie Scott, No. 2 Spinning; Barbara Young and Martha Simmons, office; Mildred Snow, Lydia Spinning; Jerry Satterfield, Lydia Weave; Robert Knox, No. 2 Spinning; William McWaters, No. 2 Spinning; Katherine Smith, No. 2 Weave; Nell Haggart, Clinic; and Myrtle Lanford, Lydia Weave.

Three additional employees will join the

Old Timers club before the year ends. They are Glydia B. Tucker, No. 2 Weave; and Joseph and Alice Johnson, No. 2 Spinning.

The company was pleased to have four Old Timers reach the 40-year milestone in 1984. They were Earl Nelson, Lydia Cloth; Perry Parrish, No. 1 Cloth; Roberta Prince, Lydia Weave; Cloa Dunaway, No. 2 Spinning; and Lucille Woody, No. 2 Spinning.

Estess Campbell was the only 50-year award recipient during the year.

Following the recognition of honored employees, a number of American-made textile door prizes were given away.

In addressing this year's group, President George H. Cornelson said, "This 29th Old Timers gathering affords us an excellent opportunity to express our personal appreciation of each of you long service employees for your contribution to the successful operations of Clinton Mills during a major part of the 88 years since Clinton Mills was founded

in 1896."

As the guests listened attentively, and red, white and blue helium-filled balloons waved freely throughout the dining hall, Cornelson told the group, "The American textile industry has achieved a prominent place in the industrial history of this nation because of the loyalty and dedication of employees like those of you whom we are honoring today. Since the inception of our Old Timers Club in 1956, hundreds of you have been recognized as you earned your "quarter century" service awards.

"Through the years, your skills and dedication to the production of superior quality fabrics have enabled Clinton Mills to become a leader in our industry. With the additional weaving plants in Geneva, Ala., the modern machinery and our constantly improving production skills, we are currently producing over 4,000,000 yards weekly of

printcloths and broadcloths for the apparel, home furnishing and industrial markets in this country and overseas.

"While we are modernizing our plants and production machinery, you may be certain that other textile companies in this country and many of our competitors overseas are also becoming efficient producers of textile products. With each passing year, we find that we are competing with more textile manufacturers of fabric and apparel throughout the world. Consequently it is important that each of us look for ways to be more efficient and more productive in our jobs and that we always strive to provide the finest quality possible in manufacturing Clinton Mills' fabrics."

The theme of our program this year was "Crafted With Pride In The U.S.A." As employees enjoyed the fellowship, food and entertainment, many renewed their commitment to efficiency, productivity and quality.



"Our foreign competitors are becoming more efficient producers of textile products." George H. Cornelson.



50 YEARS—Estess Campbell was recognized for 50 years continuous service. He is shown with Vice President of Manufacturing J.R. Swetenburg and President George H. Cornelson.



40 YEARS—Left to right, J.R. Swetenburg, Lucille Woody, Roberta Prince, Cloa Dunaway, Perry Parrish, and George Cornelson.



25 YEARS—These Clinton Mills employees were recently inducted into the company's Old Timers Club following their 25th anniversary with the company. They were honored recently with a dinner at Presbyterian College. The inductees are shown with Vice President J. R. Swetenburg, far left, President George Cornelson, far right. From left to right they are Jerry Satterfield, William McWaters, Rosie Scott, Billy Watkins, Robert Knox, Mildred Snow, Martha Simmons, Barbara Young and Nell Haggart.