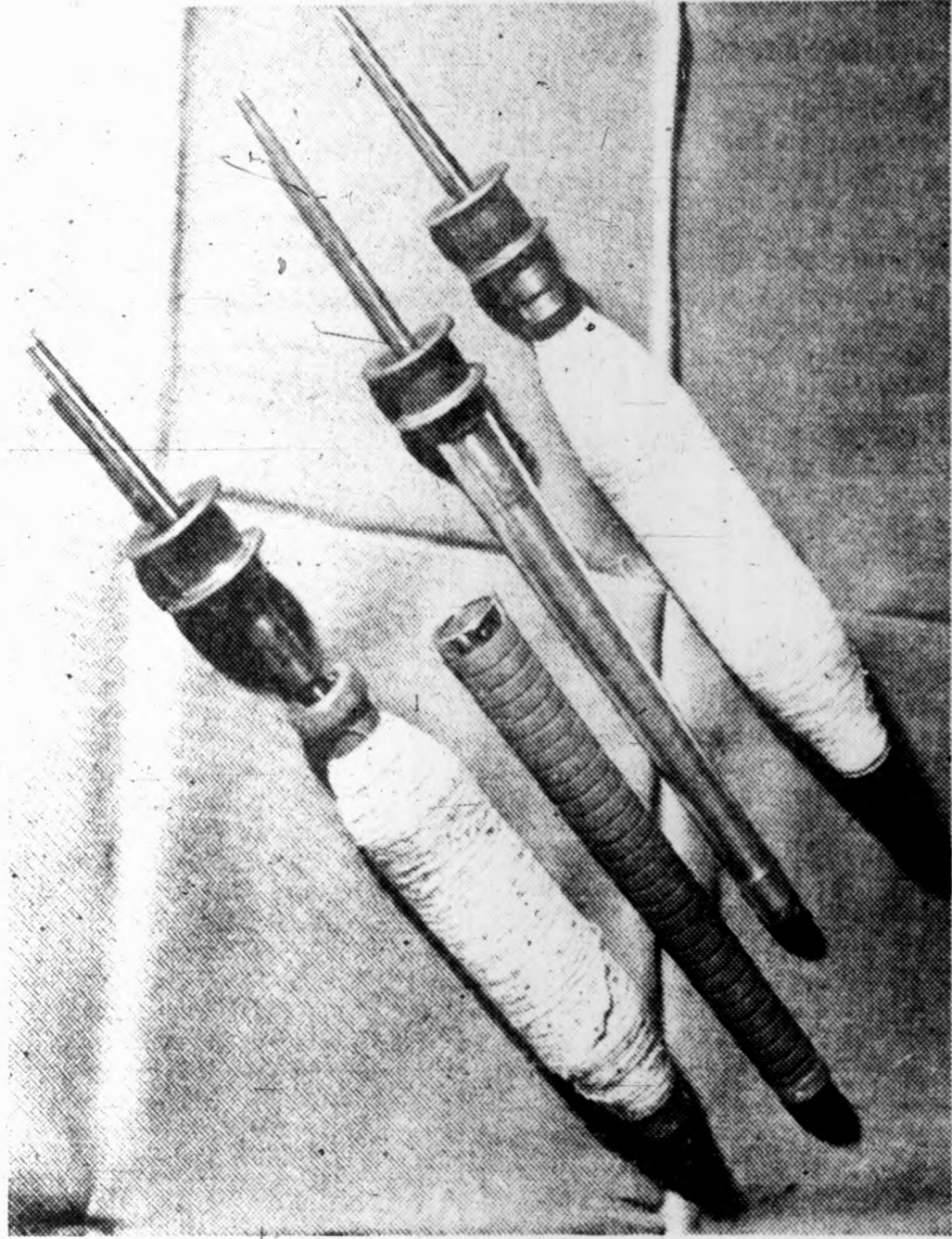


COST-OF YARN SPINNING IS CUT BY INVENTION OF WALTER REGNERY, JOANNA MILLS OFFICIAL

New System Being Installed Throughout Goldville Plant and Other Mills Also Trying Out Gadget.



Arrangement shows, left to right, conventional spindle and wooden bobbin; a paper bobbin, aluminum adapter or built-up spindle, and finally adapter-spindle with aluminum-bobbin.

Working with aluminum, a young man who knew nothing about textiles a few years ago has perfected a gadget which reduces yarn spinning costs and contributes in many ways to cotton mill production.

The inventor of the device, which allows 25 to 50 per cent more yarn to be wound on a bobbin, is Walter Regnery, vice-president and general manager of Joanna Cotton Mills Co., of Goldville.

With an engineering degree from Massachusetts Institute of Technology, he was well launched upon a career as a mining engineer when he decided to spend a short while at the Goldville plant, owned principally by his father, W. H. Regnery of Chicago.

He turned his attention to getting more yarn upon warp bobbins, thereby reducing doffing and spooler costs. Regnery got the idea of building up the spindle to the extent it could receive a long straight-sided paper tube. To do this it would be necessary to lower the rail around the spindle. Then the spindle had to be "built up." In Regnery's mind, this would consist of an aluminum jacket to fit over it. Over the aluminum shield-in-turn would be fitted the conventional paper tube.

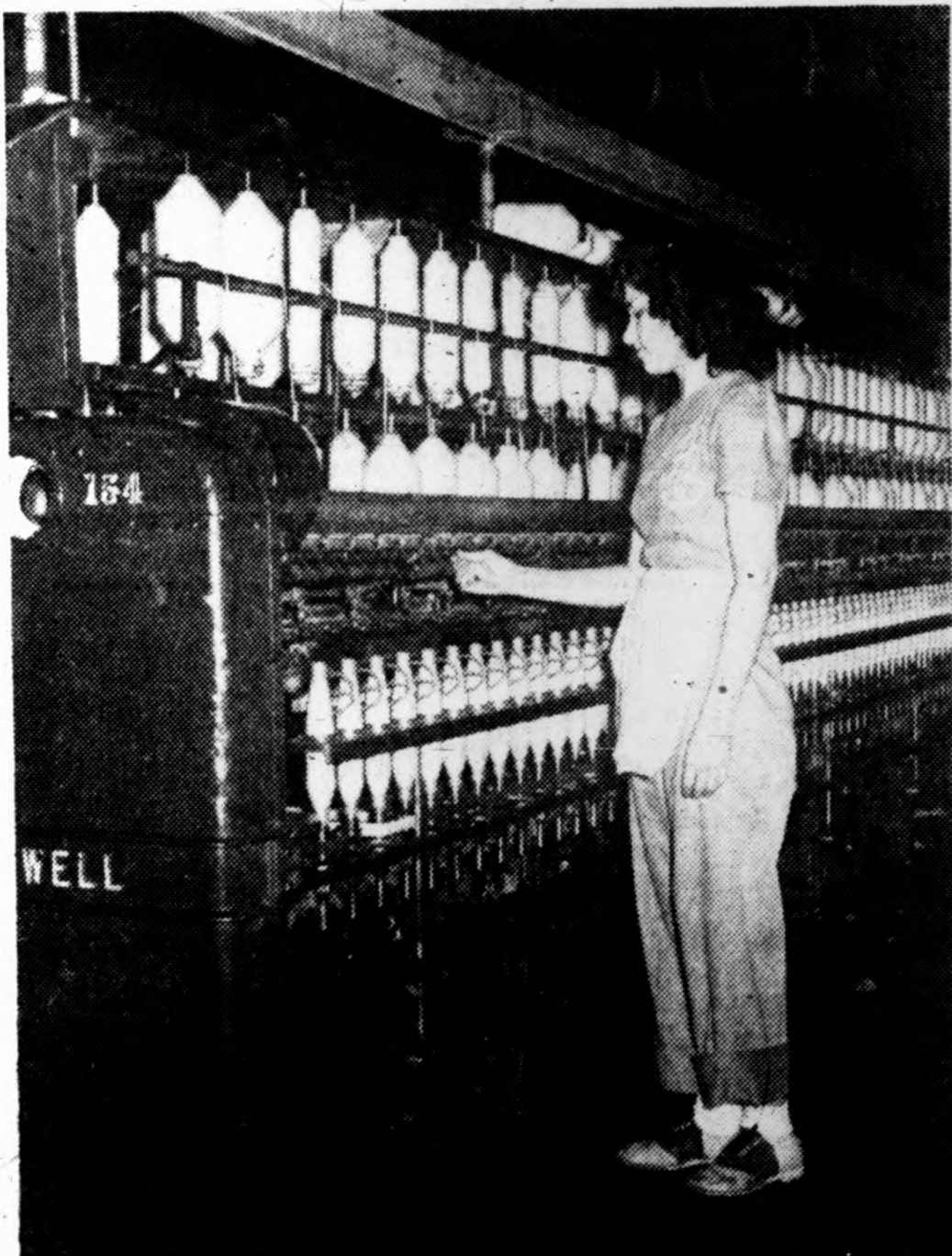
The new bobbin was 9x7-8 inches compared with the usual 6 7-8x7-3. The old bobbin had to be removed from the spinning frame every seven hours and 20 minutes; Regnery's improved bobbin had to be doffed only every ten hours.

He called the device the Joanna Spindle Adapter and patented it. The adapter costs less than half what a new spindle for use with a large bobbin would cost.

Young Regnery didn't stop there, however; he also designed an aluminum bobbin which fits over the aluminum adapter, replacing the conventional wooden or paper bobbin. The project is beyond experiment and Joanna is switching over to the new system throughout. Other mills are trying out the idea, it was reported.

Many advantages are claimed for the new system. There is a production increase either from higher speeds or higher efficiency at the original speed. There is lower upkeep and maintenance due to quieter, smoother running spindles, gained from the spindle's top drive.

Replacement of worn spindles is said to be completely eliminated. Also at Joanna since the change-over there has been a 40 per cent drop in spooler yarn waste reported. There are fewer knots in finished goods, because of the increase in bobbin yardage, Mr. Regnery says.



A spinning frame at Joanna Cotton Mills equipped with the aluminum adapter spindles and aluminum bobbins, being operated by Miss Katherine Murrell. The aluminum spinning bobbins ride easier and handle better, and the spindles gain a quiet, smoother running from the "top drive."

Goldville Organizes Scout Cub Pack

Goldville's first Cub Scout pack was organized Tuesday night following a training session for the Laurens district held under the direction of Carroll Pittman, field Scout executive for Laurens and Newberry coun-

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