

# Business Report

TO ALL EMPLOYEES

For Fiscal Year Ending

SEPTEMBER 30, 1958

CAROLINA MILLS

INCORPORATED

## Distribution of Each Dollar of Income

Total Income .....	\$ 8,287,537	100.00
Cost of Raw Materials, Services and Supplies .....	\$ 5,477,025	66.09
Paid in Taxes and Donations.....	\$ 339,663	4.10
Wear and Tear on Buildings and Equipment, and Kept for Future Growth .....	\$ 262,142	3.16
Cost of Wages and Salaries .....	\$ 1,879,073	22.67
Additional for Benefit of Employees .....	\$ 227,802	2.75
(Pension Trust, Hospital Insurance, Employee Welfare, Vacation Pay, and Bonuses)		
Paid in dividends to the <sup>100</sup> people....	\$ 101,832	1.23
Whose savings are invested in this business		
Total \$		8,287,537 100.00

*Additional Cent per hour benefit  
for each employee, not including  
pension trust benefits* 11c

*Additional Cents per hour benefits  
for those, covered under Pension  
Trust plan* 14c

*Average cost to mill in cents per  
hour for extra benefits* 18c

## TO OUR EMPLOYEES:

As we wind up another year of operations and prepare our annual message outlining the happenings of the past year, we record with deep sorrow the passing of Mr. Thomas P. Pruitt, Sr. on Nov. 16th. Mr. Pruitt was interested in the old firm of Carolina Cotton Mills and served as Vice-President and attorney for Carolina Mills, Inc. since its organization in 1928. His wise counsel and assistance will be missed by the officers of our company and his many friends.

For several years we have been marking time at plant No. 1 while concentrating our efforts on revamping Plants No. 2 and No. 3. The time has arrived to take care of Plant No. 1 and we are happy to report that it is now being equipped with new drawing and large (13½ x 7) slubbers. The balance of its spinning will be equipped with new double apron drafting, Pneumaphil, lint-free creels and cleaners. With these improvements completed, all of our spinning units will be fully modern and competitive.

Very little was done last year at Plant No. 2 in the way of new equipment. The operation of this unit continued to improve throughout the year and by the end of the year our labor costs had reached new post-war lows.

At Plant No. 3 a New Napper was installed in the finishing department, improved lighting was installed in the weave room and a great deal of painting was done to brighten up the plant. Here too, as we have felt the full benefits of changes made in previ-

ous years, our manufacturing costs have reached new lows for the past 10 years.

Plant No. 4 has had a new boiler installed and quite a few improvements were made in the plant. The biggest change here has been in the supervisory staff. Under our new set-up, a great deal of progress has been made. The standards and controls adopted under this program have gone a long way towards getting this unit on a profitable basis of operation.

Our textile markets last year went from bad to worse. The bottom was reached in early summer, and a pick-up was noted during the last quarter of our fiscal year (July, August, September). We ran far more than the average Mill making our type of products. The high quality of our products made them more desirable to our customers and our lower production costs enabled us to wind up the year with a modest profit.

All of our markets have shown considerable improvements since mid-year and it now looks as though we will be fairly busy at all four of our Plants for a while. We wish to thank you for the patience you demonstrated during our work programs and the splendid way you have adapted yourselves to the new working conditions resulting from the changes made. With such fine cooperation from you, we are sure we will continue to progress from year to year.

We wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy, Prosperous New Year.

CAROLINA MILLS, Inc.

LEONARD MORETZ  
*Secretary-Treasurer*