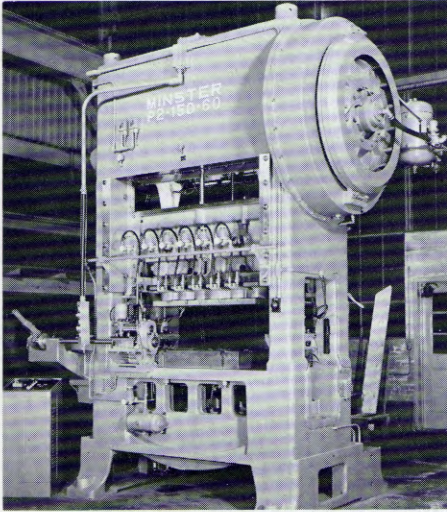


MINSTER Piece-Maker® Press Attains It's "Majority" at British Timken – 21 Years with No Serious Breakdown



At its first "birthday" in February 1956, Alec Hannah tooled up the new Minster 150-ton Piece-Maker press, shown here just prior to shipment.



British Timken personnel charged with care and keeping of Minster press throughout its 21 years of life to date are (left to right): Bob Lawton, press tool fitter; Alec Hannah, superintendent, Cage Production; Ray Baker, shift foreman; and Erick Brien, shift changehand.

A 150-ton Minster Piece-Maker® press has celebrated its 21st birthday in service at Duston, England, for British Timken division of The Timken Company, manufacturers of tapered roller-bearings. During this time it has "clunked" its way through enough cage strip to stretch two-thirds of the way across the United States, producing millions of bearing cages.

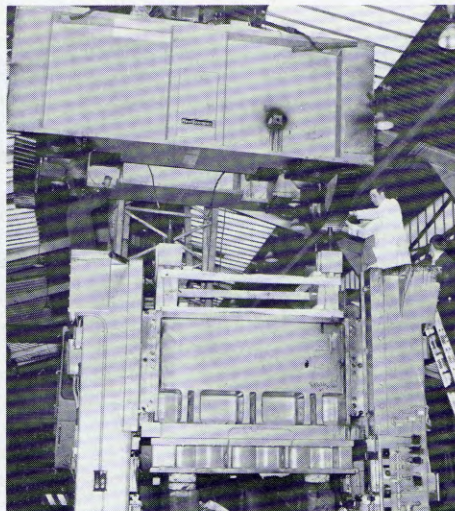
While it sometimes had to be coaxed, sometimes cajoled – sometimes possibly even cursed to keep "clunking" – the press has never had a serious breakdown. Routine maintenance, repairs and the usual replacements have kept it operating steadily throughout the 21 years.

All British Timken presses are well looked after. Maintenance men, tool setters,

operators and the many other people involved with cage production know the machines intimately and can quickly detect changes in press performance. Alec Hannah, superintendent, Cage Production, can relate the individual history of each press, including the 21-year-old Minster, and tell you exactly how it has performed from day to day.

NEW MONSTER MINSTER PRESS

The non-stop performance of the 150-ton Minster undoubtedly was an important factor in the company's choice of a new 500-ton Minster cut-and-carry press recently installed at Duston. Dubbed the "Monster Minster" by its new owners, it is the largest press in the shop and required considerable skill and care during assembly.



Crown of new 500-ton Minster press being lowered into position. Jib of Press Shop's 55-ton crane was only a few inches from apex of roof during this operation.

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