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## AT CLEVELAND, TENN.

# Expansion almost completed

A million dollar expansion program at the Cleveland, Tenn. plant of Friction Materials Division is scheduled for completion this month.

The expansion entails the addition of about $500,000 worth of building and a like amount in new equipment. A total of 33,600 square feet is being added to the plant, bringing the amount of space it occupies to 134,400 square feet.

### *Double original size*

This represents a doubling of the size of the plant since it was first constructed in 1964. An addition of 33,600 square feet was made in 1967.

The new equipment includes three giant tower ovens which together with the three now on hand will double the plant's production capacity of 15 million brake linings annually.

The expansion includes the addition of two bays, each 40 feet wide, running the full length of the north side of the plant. The bays will be used in part for shipping and receiving finished goods and for warehousing, increasing by one-third present facilities utilized for such purposes.

Besides the trio of tower ovens, additional equipment includes mixers, grinders, benders, inspection tables and material handling and quality control equipment.

### *Other equipment*

Other plans at the plant related to its expansion program call for an enlarged cafeteria, expanded rest rooms and a doubling of its parking lot.

In addition, new air compressor and dust collecting equipment has been installed.

### *More jobs*

The expansion, which began last winter, is expected to result in an additional 65 jobs.

The plant began with 70 employees when it opened in 1964. That figure has increased to 240 today and is expected to jump to 500 by 1972.

The Cleveland facility, whose parent division is located in Troy, N.Y. manufactures brake linings for cars, trucks and buses for aftermarket distribution. The City of Cleveland is approximately 30 miles from Chattanooga, Tenn.