

# THE CLOTHMAKER

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## Thanksgiving, 1952

When Mother prepares Thanksgiving dinner a few days from now, she is observing a tradition that dates back to the farm communities of Biblical days. For while Thanksgiving in its present form is strictly an American holiday, it seems to have grown out of the ancient practice of holding a "harvest festival" to give thanks after the crops had been gathered. The Bible orders such thanksgivings, and the festivals, observed by the Greeks and Romans, came down to us through the Saxons of early England.

The first American Thanksgiving was held by the Pilgrims at Plymouth in 1621. Only 55 of the 101 colonists had survived the first winter in America. But summer brought good crops. When the harvesting was over, Governor Bradford sent four hunters into the woods to procure wild turkeys and other game birds. In one day the hunters bagged enough to last the colony for a week.

Chief Massasoit and 90 Indians were guests at the feast which lasted five days. The Indians contributed five deer to the menu.

During the American Revolution, the Continental Congress recommended annually that day of thanks to be observed. In 1789 President Washington appointed a day of Thanksgiving after adoption of the Constitution. Since 1863 our Presidents have always issued a proclamation naming Thanksgiving Day.

Thanksgiving, 1952 is near at hand. Each and every person at Clinton-Lydia has much to be thankful for and whether we have our Thanksgiving dinner at noon, or at night on Thursday, or whether we wait until the weekend for this annual observance, let us each pause at least briefly, recount our many blessings in this free country of ours, and thank The One who makes these many blessings possible. Let us look to the future on this Thanksgiving Day and also ask His aid and guidance in keeping America free and not let our country slip down the road of socialism into the mire of communism in which so many other countries are wrapped today. There is no Thanksgiving in those countries any more.

## David S. Cook

1902 - 1952

Everyone affiliated with Clinton and Lydia Mills was saddened late last month when Providence rather suddenly removed David S. Cook from our midst.

Mr. Cook, since coming here in January of 1949, made many friends throughout both mills. His abilities and knowledge were recognized by all who came in contact with him but, and more important, he was well known for always keeping the human element uppermost in his mind when considering any of the many problems he handled in the mills. The manner in which he carried out the large-scale expansion and modernization programs at both mills is an example of this. Not content to rely on his many year's of successful experience in the textile industry, he explored deeply every phase of machinery and methods to be incorporated in the modernizing of the mills, thinking always of the employee who would operate the machine. A large portion of the planning of the new addition now underway at the Clinton plant is the result of his thinking and study.

We will always miss Mr. Cook and his advice and counsel, but his memory will live long with us. We extend our deepest sympathy to the family in the loss of their beloved husband and father.



Mrs. W. L. McGee, Clinton, has been a patient at Blalocks Clinic but now is recovering at her home on Bailey Street.

Wayne Johnson, son of the H. B. Johnsons, Clinton, has been ill at home.

Lily Mae Motes, Clinton, is ill at home.

Joe Holtzclaw, Clinton, is recovering from injuries sustained in a wreck.

Mrs. Nell Sligh, Clinton, has been ill with the flu.

Mrs. Nellie Wilson, Clinton, has been ill for some time.

Annie B. Milam fell and sprung her ankle.

Eunice Braswell and Lila McCough of Clinton have been sick.

Mrs. Bessie Tucker, Clinton, recently had an operation.

Furman Childers, Lydia, has been a patient at Hays Hospital.

John Motte, Lydia, is a patient at Hays, having been brought back here from Greenville General Hospital.

Miss Barbara McLendon, Lydia, is in a Greenville hospital.

### Beautiful Roses Will Add To Lydia Village

Roses will brighten the scene around the fence at Lydia Mill next Spring and Summer under a new project underway jointly by the Lydia Woman's Club and the mill management.

Blazer Red roses will be planted soon across the length of the fence at the northern end of the mill. Twenty-one bushes already have been ordered and the climbing type purchased soon should cover the end. If the project proves successful, it is planned to continue the floral arrangement around the front end of the mill and later cuttings will be available for use in the village. C. M. McElhannon, of 173 Cypress, a rose expert in the village, will supervise the project.

### Xmas Money . . .

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ing to have that extra cash on hand when it is really needed right before Christmas.

These savings accounts can be handled on the basis of weekly deductions of 50 cents, \$1.00, \$1.50 or any multiple of 50 cents. Handled on this basis, it is hardly missed each week, but it adds up by the time Christmas rolls around. They are paid out in time for early bird Christmas shopping, and M. S. Bailey and Son, Lauren's County's oldest bankers, are custodian of the funds.

The last savings account collection this year is made the week of November 15 with the new club starting next week, or the week ending Nov. 22. Christmas club checks for this year will be paid about the first of December.

Plan now to start your Christmas Club fund for next year . . . you'll be glad you did this time next year.



..we give thanks

From Heaven, our strength; from Earth, our bountiful substance: for these, Lord, we give thanks.

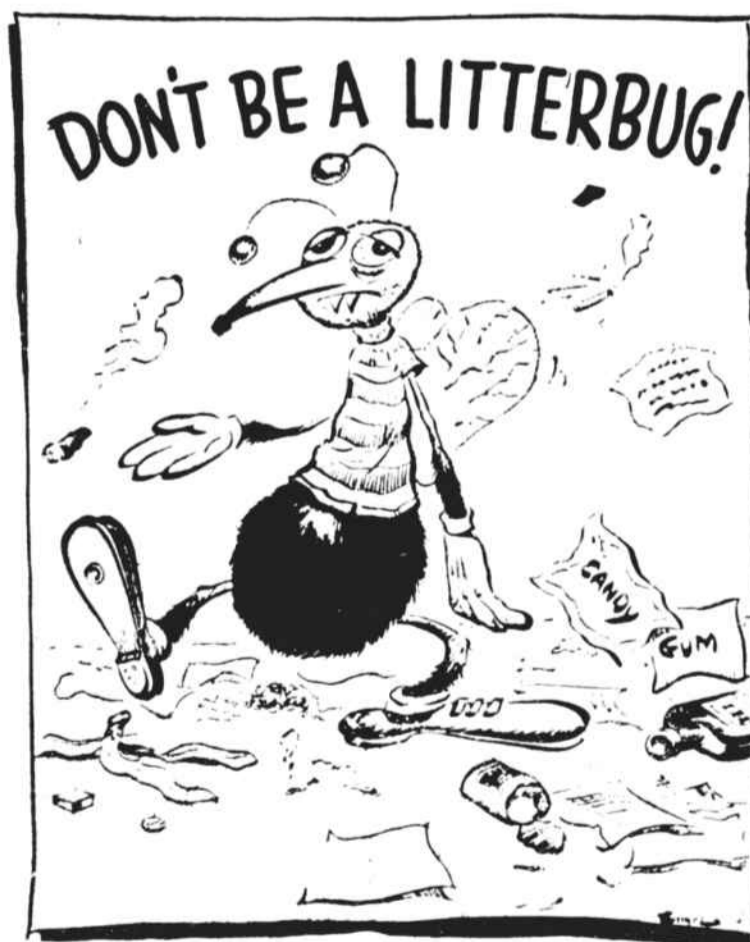
### Clinton Hobby Club Works For Christmas

The Clinton Mill Hobby Club is larger than ever, meeting each Thursday at 7:30 in the Community Building. Members now are making some mighty attractive trash baskets and aluminum trays. Shell craft also has taken the fancy of many.

If you are worried about some presents to give this Christmas, this Hobby Club probably will help you solve your problems and you'll have a good time while making some lovely Christmas presents.

### Clinton Campfire Girls Having Active Program

The Campfire Girls at Clinton under the leadership of Mrs. Pat Sholar and Mrs. Benard Patterson have been very active during the past month working on their Fire Makers rank. The young girls have finished their household beautification project and have gathered materials for an outdoor craft. They now are in the process of plotting out their own front yards and learning the names and faces of all trees, flowers and shrubs around them.



ARE YOU A LITTERBUG?? People who throw trash around their homes or in the mill don't look like this bird when they look in the mirror, but they certainly do to their wives, husbands, and neighbors. It takes a minute more to throw trash where it belongs, it takes one second to pick up a bobbin, it takes a few more to put a bottle in the crate, but that's better than having your friends think you look like that bird up there, isn't it? If you do your part in keeping your department clean, a Litterbug, if you have one around will soon get the point and do the same. Let's cut out the Litterbugs.