

Clinton Mills Has Flag Day Program

Several hundred business leaders turned out for a Flag Day program sponsored by Clinton Mills on the Presbyterian College Campus.

Patriotism was the theme and red, white, and blue were the colors as those attending heard President George H. Cornelson stress the "importance of all of us renewing our commitment to support American industry."

"Crafted With Pride in the USA" is the current theme for the textile industry," emphasized Cornelson. "We are putting forth our best efforts to convey the importance of buying American-made products."

The red, white, and blue colors used for decoration symbolized Clinton's and the industry's campaign to successfully compete with foreign goods.

Clinton's superior quality fabrics were "shown off" by Gail Begley as she modeled a red, white, and blue outfit which she designed from an award-winning 100% cotton fabric (style 259) produced in Plants 1 & 2.

Cornelson also recognized Laurens County Extension Agent Bill Hendrix and his work with the farmers in the area.

"Clinton Mills uses between 50 and 70,000 bales of cotton fiber each year in its operations. Clinton appreciates the support the farmers give the textile industry."

Hendrix was presented a mini bale of cotton representing Clinton's role in the cotton industry.

Jim Switzer, a member of the Personnel staff and a director of the Chamber of Commerce, was assisted by Amy Jacks in presenting American-made cotton textile door prizes. Switzer also presented each guest attending a special folding yardstick as a reminder to "measure up to safety" before the July 4th vacation period.

While the afternoon activities were taking place, business leaders socialized, drank lemonade under the massive oak trees on the campus, ate a picnic spread and homemade ice-cream, and heard fellow associates talk about their efforts to promote American-made products while the Mike Turner Band played a variety of country and western tunes.

Each visitor attending the gala occasion received an American flag and was greeted by Miss Jacks, Mrs. Begley, and Juanita Compton.



DISCUSSING CONTRIBUTION—Gail Begley, center, and cotton buyer and classer, Bill Hill, right, discuss Clinton's contribution to the local economy as the company uses between 50,000 to 70,000 bales of cotton annually.



LEADING THE LINE—Employment Manager Harvey Dickert, right, leads a group of business associates through serving line.



ADDED TO THE DECOR—Red geraniums in peach baskets wrapped in red, white, and blue ribbons provided much decor for the tables as guests enjoyed the afternoon.



ANTIQUÉ STRINGS—Left to right: Frank Audia, Randy Huff, Mike Turner, and Tom Baldwin provided background music for Clinton Flag Day Program.



ENJOYING—From the looks of things, the crowd enjoyed the spread laid out by Clinton Mills.