

# Imports Up During '76

Peaking at their highest level since 1972, textile imports reached 5.1 billion square yards equivalent (SYE) in 1976, according to latest figures compiled by the U. S. Department of Commerce.

The 1976 figure is less than one percent above 1973, but 17 percent above 1974 and 34 percent above 1975. On a product basis, cotton imports in 1976 reached an all-time high, 1.9 billion SYE, a jump of 53 percent over 1975 and six percent over the previous record set in 1972.

Wool product imports for the year totalled 106 million SYE, 35 percent above 1975. Man-made fiber product imports were up 25 percent over 1975, amounting to 3.1 billion SYE.

In 1976, apparel imports also hit a new high, reaching 2.6 billion SYE, 16 percent above the previous record set in 1972.

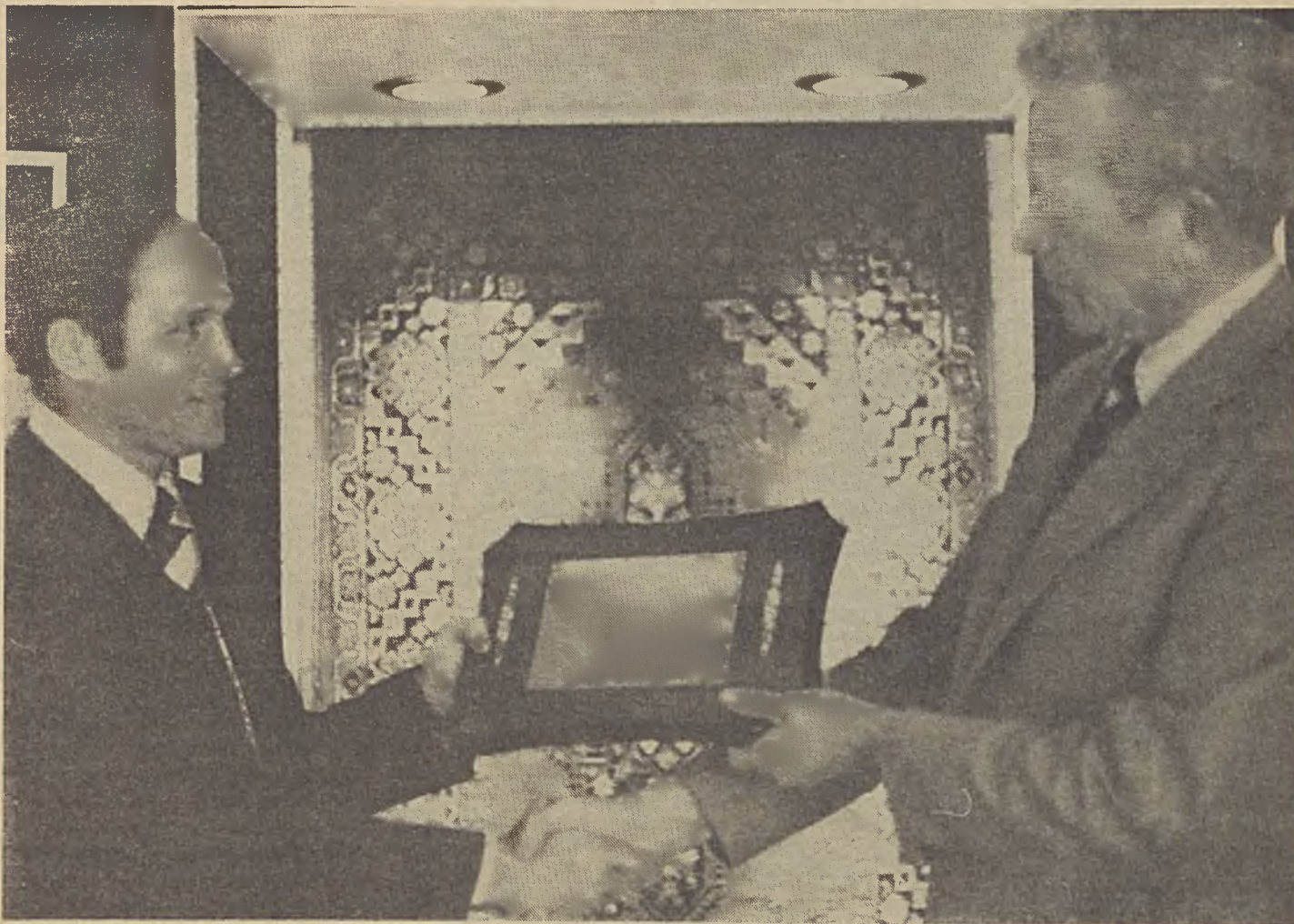
Textile imports from Japan, Hong Kong, Taiwan and Korea accounted for 57 percent of total textile imports in 1976, amounting to 2.9 billion SYE. The figure is 30 percent above the 1975 figure for textile imports from these four countries.

Imports from the People's Republic of China (PRC) in 1976 totalled 154 million SYE, a 10 percent increase over calendar 1975.

The American Textile Manufacturers Institute pointed out that the United States does not have a textile trade agreement with the PRC and, therefore, there is no limit on the quantity of goods which that nation can ship to this country.

The Institute also pointed out that textile and apparel imports in 1976 created an all-time high trade deficit approaching \$3 billion, one-half of the total U. S. trade deficit last year.

For the month of December 1976, imports totalled 371 million SYE, 11 percent below November and 18 percent below December 1975.



## Fieldcrest Honored By Boys Club

Morris Janney, president of the Eden Boys Club, left, presents plaque awarded Fieldcrest Mills for "outstanding support of the Eden Boys Club." Accepting the plaque is Robert L. Moore, Fieldcrest regional personnel manager and a former member of the board of directors of the Boys Club.

"Fieldcrest has been our primary support through the years," Mr. Janney said. "We could not ask for a better friend of the Boys Club than Fieldcrest Mills."



JACKIE EVANS

### New Nurse

Jackie Evans, R. N. has joined Fieldcrest as the plant nurse at Swift Spinning Mills, Columbus, Ga.

She will assist Dr. George Conner in implementing Fieldcrest's medical policy at Swift Spinning Mills.

A graduate of Druid City Hospital School of Nursing in Tuscaloosa, Ala., she was previously employed at Providence Hospital, Mobile, Ala.

A native of Columbus, she is married and resides with her husband, Wayne and their two children in Phenix City, Ala.

### Don Janney Promoted To Eagle Scout

Don Janney, 15-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Janney, of 319 North Jackson Street, Eden, has been promoted to Eagle Scout, the highest rank a Scout can attain.

A Scout for the past four years, he currently is a member of Troop 553, sponsored by the Central Church of Christ. In the summer of 1976 he was elected to the Order of the Arrow, an organization of honor campers.

Young Janney spends at least one week each year at Scout camp and attended the Philmont Scout Ranch in New Mexico for three weeks in 1975. He is registered for the National Scout Jamboree to be held in Pennsylvania for 11 days in August of this year.

His mother, Barbara Janney, is employed in the Employee Benefits Department at the General Offices, and his grandmother, Dorothy B.



DON JANNEY

Janney, in the Winding Department at the Karastan Rug Mill.

### Card Of Thanks

The family of "Chip" Sexton would like to thank all of their friends and co-workers for the many acts of kindness, the food, cards, flowers, visits, and prayers shown us during the passing of our loved one. May God bless each of you.

VIRGINIA AND HERBERT  
SEXTON  
JENNIFER AND ROBERT  
MOOREFIELD

### Stewart New VP

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Mr. Stewart rejoined the company and was named department manager, Bath Rugs in 1972. He attended Fordham University and now resides in Basking Ridge, New Jersey. Mr. Stewart and his wife, Jeanne, have four children.

### Toastmasters Set March Schedule

Meetings of the Rockingham Toastmasters for the remainder of March have been announced as follows:

—Monday, March 14, 7:30 p.m., Board Room at the Rockingham Community College Administration Building.

—Monday, March 28, 7:30, dinner

meeting, details to be announced at March 14 meeting.

Pat Comer of Karastan Information Services, a charter member of the Rockingham Toastmasters, said all Fieldcresters who wish to improve their oral communication are invited to attend. They may participate in the program and join the club if they so desire, she said.