

Volunteers always have a difficult time judging 4-H contests, such as the annual Favorite Food Show pictured above.

### 4-H

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This program also involves livestock opportunities and the youngsters show animals.

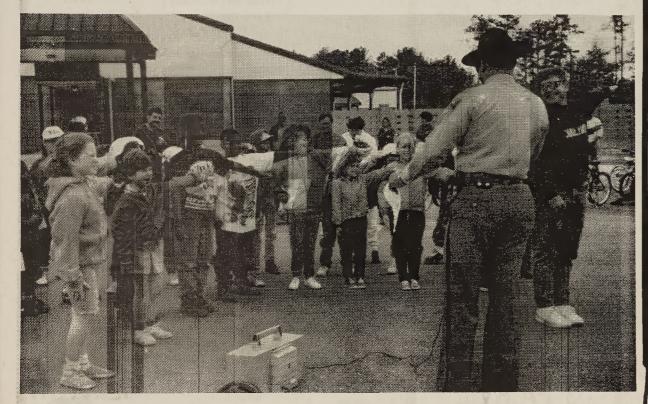
The youth who participate in 4-H activities don't mind speaking out about the fun they have being involved in the organization.

Michael Warren, of Newton Grove, is a senior at Hobbton and has been in 4-H for 10 years, according to Wilks. He recently returned from the national 4-H Congress in Orlando.

Brian Evans of the Mingo 4-H club was honored recently for over eight years of participation and achievement.

Jackis Price of the Belvoir-Go-Getters club has been involved in the program for four years.

"Both of these 4-Her's are very deserving of this award and are to be commended on their outstanding participation in 4-H over the years," Wilks



If it weren't for volunteers many of the 4-H programs would be out of reach for youngsters in this county, 4-H Extension Agent Deleon Wilks said. Above is Trooper K.R. Buchanan and 4-H volunteer Paul Shelton leading a group of Union Elementary students in a biker safety class.

## WestPoint expands, adds jobs

By Jeanne Schoninger

WestPoint Stevens, Inc. announced the \$34 million modernization and expansion program for the Alamac Knit

Fabrics, Inc. Knitting Yarn Plant in Clinton in October of 1993.

The expansion project which was completed in 1994 added 60 jobs bringing the total employment to 280 at the 7 days a week business. 7-days a week business.

The yarn preparatory area and spinning were modernized as a part of the project and the production floor expanded for greater manufacturing

"This project brought the Clinton plant to real state-of-the-art status," Ron Hester, president of Alamac Knits, Inc. said. "It enhanced our ability to meet the needs of our Alamac knitting facilities here in North Carolina. Being totally modern in our manufacturing and on the cutting edge of quick response to our customers' needs is what keeps Alamac in its premier position as the leading American producer of knit apparel fabrics."

WestPoint Stevens is the nation's leading producer of bedroom and bath textile products and accessories and, through its Alamac subsidiary, a major manufacturer and marketer of circular

knit fabrics for the apparel industry. WestPoint Stevens' consumer products are marketed under several brand names including Ralph Lauren, Sesame Street and Gloria Vanderbilt.

WestPoint Stevens is actually a combination of three individual companies that have merged over the years.

The WestPoint manufacturing company originated in 1880 and the J.P. Stevens manufacturing company originated in 1813. Pepperell originated in

In 1965, WestPoint and Pepperell joined to form WestPoint Pepperell. In 1988, WestPoint Pepperell acquired J.P. Stevens Manufacturing. The company also joined with its corporate parent, Valley Fashions Corporation, in December of 1993.

Now, the company is known as WestPoint Stevens and the dragon logo which is used as a corporate symbol is the old Pepperell symbol.

Corporate headquarters for the company are located in West Point, Georgia. The company employs 17,500 people in 33 manufacturing facilities in Alabama, Georgia, South Carolina, Maine, Florida, Virginia and North Carolina.

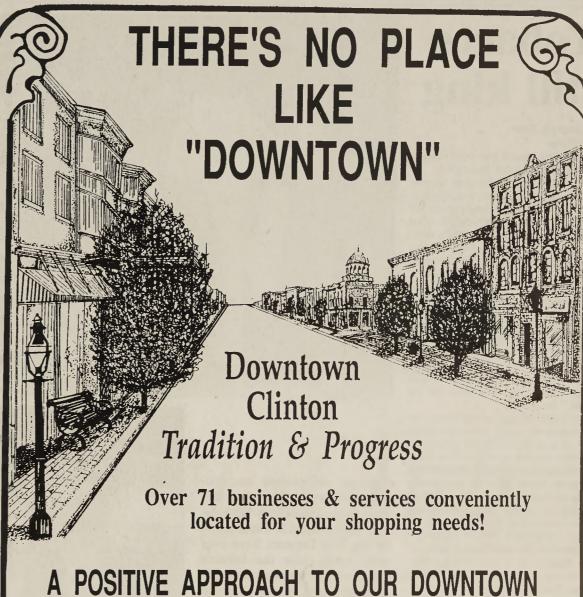
Holcombe T. Green, Jr. is chairman and CEO of the corporation.

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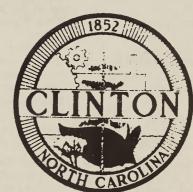
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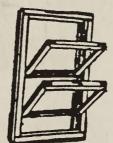
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