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Coach Bill Mayfield proudly displays the second first place basketball trophy won by the Farwell Steers in as many weeks. The local team won the Springlake Invitational Tourney this past weekend.

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County Had No Fatal Wrecks

Farmer County had no major traffic mishap during the Christmas holidays, according to law officers, who spoke very complimentary of local drivers during the holiday period. "There were no fatal accidents in Farmer County during the Christmas weekend," said Deputy Sheriff Tom Atkins. However, citizens were urged to stay on the safe side.

Steers Take Second Tourney In Two Weeks

Farwell Steers presented Coach Bill Mayfield and the Farwell School with a second First Place Basketball trophy in as many weeks. The strong local team played Sudan, Amherst, and Springlake in the

Springlake Invitational Tourney this past week-end. Meeting the host team in the finals Saturday night, Steers led all the way. In the first quarter they had a three point edge of 12-9, and then coasted to vic-

tory. At intermission the Steers had doubled the Wolverines 30-15 and in the third quarter they scored 16 points while the host team bucketed 15 to trail 46-30. Final score found the winners with 59-48. Leon Lovelace netted 20 points and Charles Roberts 16 for the local five while Jerry Been scored 24 points and teammate Dale Dent 13 for the host team. In the semi-final game against Amherst Steers trailed the first quarter 10-11 but at half-time held a ten point lead. They gained a 16 point lead the third quarter 45-39 and finished up 60-51. Lovelace poured in an even 25 points and Danny Lindrop 12. First game of the tourney the quintet met the Sudan Hornets and held an edge the entire four periods to win 48-32. Lovelace and Roberts with 16 points and 12 points respectively were high scorers. The Steers scored only 8 points the first and last quarters, but the middle half of the game they poured in 18 and 14 points to gain an easy victory. Scores ran 8-7, 26-19, 40-25, and 48-32 on this game.

THE TRIBUNE PRESENTS—1962 NEWS IN REVIEW

Politics, new businesses, sports and weather made headlines in the news in 1962. Headlines from 1962 Tribune Files review the news.

Beverly Smith Attends TCU On Scholarship

Miss Beverly Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Smith of Lazbuddie, is one of a number of students attending Texas Christian University through the aid of scholarships and grants-in-aid. She is a graduate of Lazbuddie High School and is a sophomore majoring in medical technology. Miss Smith is a pre-honors nominee and a member of the Women's Sports Association and the Chemistry Club.

Churches Note Christmas With Special Programs

Special observances were held at the local churches marking the Christmas holiday recently. Farwell First Baptist Church presented a special musical program under direction of Clyde Powell, music director at the church December 16. Hamlin Memorial Methodist Church presented musical programs consisting of organ music and numbers by the choir December 16 and December 23. The organ was presented to the church by Mr. and Mrs. Willie Williams recently. First Baptist Church in Texico marked the season with a musical program and the Christmas Story in pantomime at the regular Sunday night service December 23. St. John's Lutheran church at Lariat had a special program which was presented by the children December 24 at 6 p.m. The United Pentecostal church in Texico had a Yule Party for church members at the Woman's Club building Thursday night. Gifts were exchanged and games were played. No other special observance was held by the church. Members of the Assembly of God church in Texico had a Christmas program presented by the youth department Sunday night. Carols were sung and a playlet "Six Winged Angel" was presented. Treats were given to the children. Oklahoma Lane Methodist and Baptist churches marked the holiday with special services at the churches Sunday. All other area churches had no special observance of the holiday.

January 5: Security State Bank deposits reach \$5,629,513 or almost one million dollars more than a year ago. Hugh Moseley, county and district clerk will not seek reelection. January 12: Driverless car smashes window at Farwell Hardware. Grand Jury called. January 19: Frank Hinkson in race for U. S. Congress. Mrs. C. A. Watson signs contract for song. Roberts rehired at Farwell school. January 26: Thieves hit Helton Oil Co. for \$4,740. Bids opened for construction of new school building in Texico. February 2: Farwell Chamber of Commerce to pick new directors. Hinkson withdraws from race. Births show high population rise. Mothers March nets \$344.25

for March of Dimes. February 9: John Zahn enters race for senate seat. Steers in race for district title. Farwell paving hopes loom. February 16: Political fever rises, J. Frank Ford and B. M. Nelson enter race for representative. Harding reelected Chamber of Commerce Prexy. February 23: Burglars return to scene of crime; second try at Helton Oil Co. Steers top Idalou; Take on White Deer in regional play.

Groundbreaking ceremonies at Texico School. March 2: Texico woman announces for Curry County clerk. Jury assesses 40 years sentence for Hershel Gene Davis for murder of Jesse Dawkins. March 9: Farwell discusses paving program. Spring training starts for Texico thinclads. Maurice Smith named to all-regional basketball team. March 16: Car tag sales fall below 1961 figure. Two local men named to New Mexico Police force. Dwight Turner named to all district team. Wayne Pittman buys Bradshaw Grocery. New truck stop opens in Texico. March 23: Fair, just fair, crop season seen by "Indian Crim." Farwell men seek school board posts. March 30: Plans made to pave Farwell. Texico judging teams win in district meet. Bill Prince building to be completed by June 1. April 6: Bonds carry, Howard, Winkles and Lebow picked. Colored mission built in Farwell. Restaurant planned on Amarillo cutoff. April 13: Farwell captures 3 A track title. Rotary hosts inter-city meet. April 20: Lubbock firm gets Farwell paving job. Budget approved at Texico School. Carol White, Vic Harrington and Willie Stover named to

Singing At Assembly Of God Church, Sunday

J. W. Murdick of the Assembly of God Church, in Texico, announces that a singing to which the general public is invited will be held this Sunday, December 31, 2-4 p.m. (CST) at the Texico church. The church is located two blocks north of the fire station in Texico.

Services For Mrs. Mouse

Funeral services were conducted in Little Rock, Ark., early this week for Mrs. Ruey Mouse of Little Rock, who passed away early Saturday morning from injuries sustained in a car wreck, Thursday. Mrs. Mouse is survived by her husband, two daughters, and two brothers. She was a sister of Walter Ray (Sonny) Spurlin of Bovina. In Little Rock to attend the services from this area were Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ray Spurlin, Bovina, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. (Pop) Spurlin, Farwell, and Joan Fenn of Amarillo.

Social Security Raise Due January 1

New social security tax rates go into effect on January 1, 1963, according to Hal Geldon, district manager of the Amarillo Social Security office. This is one of the regular tax increases, providing in the law, to cover the payment of retirement, survivors, and disability benefits, and all administrative costs of the program. For people working for wages, the new 1963 rate will be 3-5/8% on their first \$4800 in yearly earnings. The employer will contribute a like amount. For the self-employed, the new rate is 5.4% of the first \$4800 in yearly net earnings. Wages and self-employment earnings of more than \$4800 a year are not taxable for social security purposes. Geldon noted that the new social security tax rate applies only to wages paid and self-employment income earned after December 31, 1962. The present rate of 3-1/8% of wages is applicable for wages paid in 1962 even though they are not reported by employers until early in 1963. The current rate of 4.5% for the self-employed is likewise applicable to self-employment income earned in 1962 but not reported until 1963.

Boys and Girls' State in Texico. April 27: Misses White and Goldsmith, Farwell honor students. May 4: Turner and Doran named honor students at Texico. (Continued on Page 2)



Omitted

The names of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Williams were inadvertently omitted from the "PTA project Christmas card" published in the Tribune last week. We sincerely apologize for the error and take this means of wishing all their friends Seasons Greetings.

Midshipman Spends Christmas With Parents

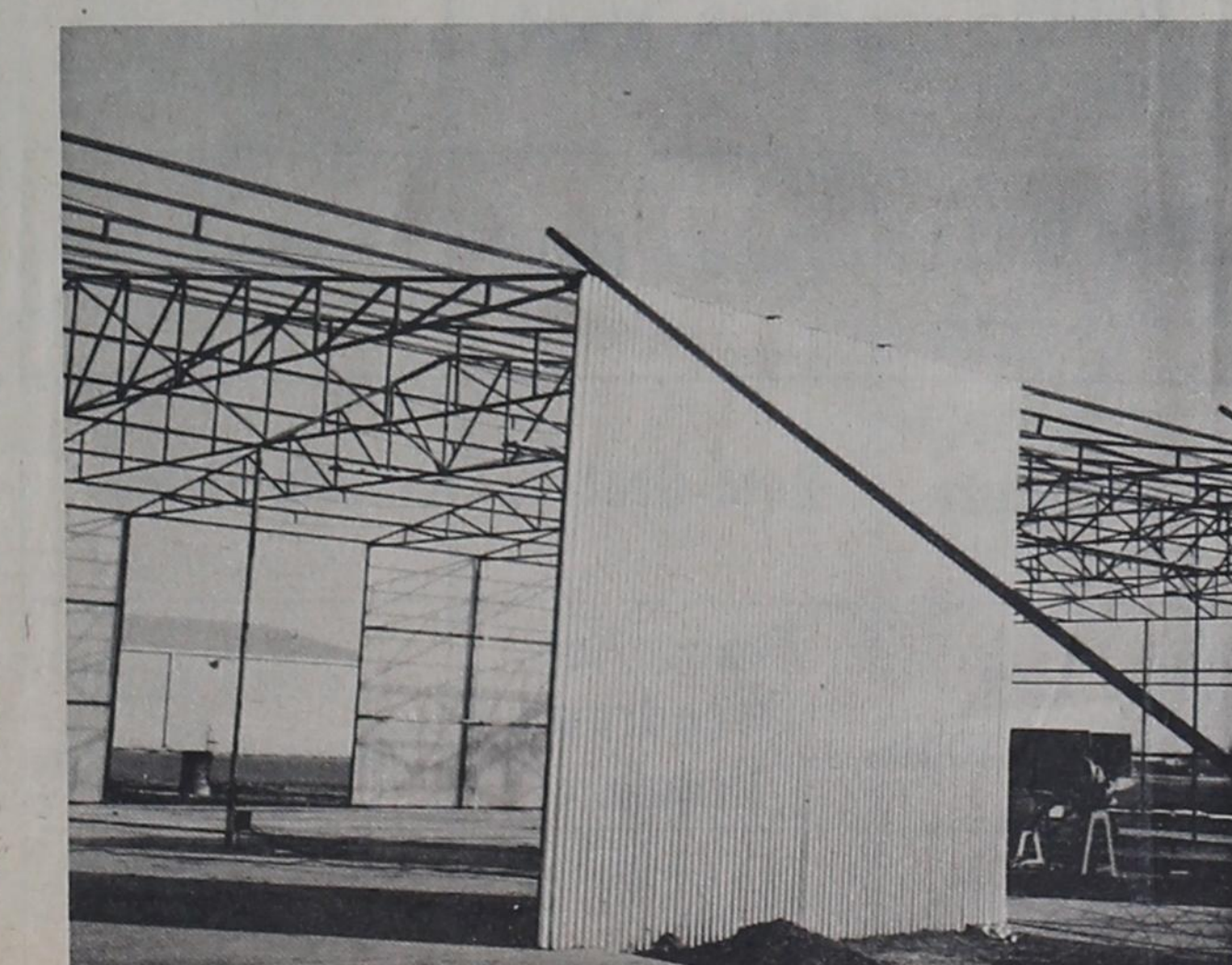
U. S. Naval Academy Midshipman Second Class Donald O. Taylor, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald W. Taylor of 313 Birch, Muleshoe, Tex., is among 2,000 Midshipmen of the Naval Academy at Annapolis, Md., who have left to spend their annual two-week Christmas leave with their parents. Each of the Midshipmen is enrolled in a rigid course covering naval science, seamanship, military indoctrination and normal scholastic achievement. The four-year course leads to a bachelor of science degree and a commission in the military service. To gain experience that will aid them when they are commissioned, midshipmen take part in training cruises during the summer months when they are not attending classes. The cruises take them to various parts of the world.

Farwell Church of Christ Sponsors Spanish Services

Farwell Church of Christ is sponsoring Spanish services at the educational building at the church, each Sunday with services at the regular times of 10 a.m. for Sunday School; 10:50 a.m. morning worship and 6 p.m. evening worship. All services are conducted in Spanish and are for all Latin American people in the area, of all ages. Simon D. Blanco, a Spanish minister, has been employed by the church to conduct services and will be here on weekends until summer after which he plans to move here to do full time work in the church. He is now a full time student in the Latin American Bible school on the campus at LCC in Lubbock. He is a former Civil Service employee.

Attend Funeral Services

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Humble were in Springlake to attend funeral services for Andrew Starkey, Saturday. Mr. Starkey, the father-in-law of Twila Strickland, passed away after a lengthy illness Wednesday in a Muleshoe hospital.



Another sign of Twin Cities progress is this building being erected in east Farwell by Harold Darby, R. O. Darby and Bill Garrett. The building will house the Miracle Manufacturing Co. which will produce a complete line of farm supplies.



Mrs. Mitz Walling, right, PTA president and Mrs. Bert Williams pause for a brief moment Monday while making deliveries of food baskets, clothing and toys to needy families in the area. They also presented senior citizens with boxes of candy as a part of their Yule project.

Practically all farmers in our area are happy with the results of the 1962 crop year. For the most part we had a pretty good wheat crop, a good grain sorghum crop, and a bumper cotton crop. In spite of all the adversities that beset our crops in the late spring and early summer, this just goes to show us that if we have a long, drawn-out fall, everything will turn out all right. It isn't that farmers have made so much money this year -- but more that they have made more than they expected to make. Since they usually make plans to spend about what they (like everybody else), but are going to make more than they had planned on, I am predicting that we will have more spendable income . . . just plain ole "loose change" floating around . . . than at any time since 1954. A large part of the late cotton receipts are being held back

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Cotton Samples Reach The Million Mark

One million samples - this was the amount of samples that had been classed in the Lubbock Cotton Classing Office through December 21, 1962. This report was received from Hollis N. Bowling, Market Supervisor for the Lubbock office.

For the week ending December 21 the Lubbock office classed 287,000 samples and reported a carry-over of 90,000 samples. The Lamesa and Brownfield offices also had their largest week of classing. The Brownfield office classed 35,000 samples for the week, giving that office a total of 193,000 samples classed for the year. At the Lamesa office 27,500 samples were classed, bringing the total there to 130,000 samples. A carry-over of 7,500 samples was reported at Brownfield, while Lamesa reported a carry-over of 5,000 samples.

Last year at this time 1,604,000 samples had been classed for the South Plains and a carry-over of 22,500 samples was reported by the three classing offices.

The largest volume of grades was in Strict Low Middling Light Spotted which accounted for 31 per cent. This was in contrast

to the preceding week when Strict Low Middling made up the largest volume. The other Light Spotted percentages were: Middling Light Spotted 22 per cent and Low Middling Light Spotted 5 per cent. The White grades made up 40 per cent of the cotton classed. The percentages for the White grades were as follows: Middling one per cent, Strict Low Middling 25 per cent, Low Middling Plus three per cent, Low Middling 10 per cent and Strict Good Ordinary and lower one per cent. Two per cent of the cotton classed was Spotted.

The average staple length was 29.7 thirty-seconds of an inch as compared with 29.9 thirty-seconds of an inch the preceding week. Twenty-nine thirty-seconds of an inch accounted for 35 per cent, 15/16" 59 per cent and 31/32" 4 per cent. Two per cent of the cotton classed was 7/8 or shorter in length.

The trend of the micronaire readings continued to be the same this week. The trend has been for more samples to fall each week in the 3.4 or lower category. This week 53 per cent of the cotton received milled 3.4 or lower, with 3 per cent being classed as wasty. The range of 3.5 or better accounted for 47 per cent.

For the week ending December 21, 49,500 bales were reported purchased by the Lubbock Cotton Exchange according to the Exchange Secretary, H. A. Foret. This figure is down about 3,000 bales from the week before and below the same week of 1961 when 124,000 bales were reported.

The spot price quotations for Middling Spotted and Strict Low Middling Spotted were raised by the Quotations Committee this past week. Middling 1 inch quotations is 32.55 as compared to 32.35 this time last year. The spot price quotations remained the same on the grades that are predominant in production. These are: Strict Low Middling 29/32 29.50, Strict Low Middling 15/16 30.00, Low Middling 29/32 28.35,

Low Middling 15/16 28.85, Middling Light Spotted 29/32 29.80, Middling Light Spotted 15/16 20.30, Strict Low Middling Light Spotted 29/32 29.00 and Strict Low Middling Light Spotted 15/16 29.50.

Extension Service Was Started In Terrell, Texas, In 1903

(Taken from "Texas Agricultural Extension Workers' Handbook")

In 1903 Seaman A. Knapp, Special Agent in the United States Department of Agriculture, was invited to Terrell, Texas, to discuss with businessmen the serious condition in agriculture and business caused by the spread of the cotton boll weevil over Texas.

Dr. Knapp, who had been a farmer, a school teacher, and later president of the State Agricultural College at Ames, Iowa, had developed certain theories of his own, born of his own practical experience in farming. He had demonstrated these theories successfully in developing the Southwestern section of Louisiana with farmers from the midwestern States.

On February 29, 1903, with the cooperation of the businessmen of Terrell, Dr. Knapp established in Kaufman county the first privately owned demonstration farm. It was managed by Walter C. Porter, son of the owner.

This demonstration was supervised by Dr. Knapp and the businessmen of Terrell guaranteed the owner against any loss as a result of carrying out recommended practices. At the end of the year, Mr. Porter reported that he had cleared \$700 more than he could have expected under the ordinary methods of farming.

As a result of the success of this demonstration the department of Farmers Cooperative Demonstration Work was organized in the Bureau of Plant Industry, U. S. Department of Agriculture, on January 15, 1904. Funds for this new department were furnished from an appropriation made by the Congress to combat the boll weevil. The immediate plan was to induce other farmers in Texas to follow the methods used on the Porter farm, thus proving to themselves and to their neighbors that farming could be profitable in spite of the boll weevil. Seaman A. Knapp was placed in charge of this department, with his headquarters in Old Masonic Temple, Houston, Texas. Since this was the beginning of demonstration work, the fol-

lowing statement by Dr. Knapp in his first report on the Porter demonstration is interesting, and just as true today as in 1904: "The object of all such demonstrations is to test or prove some important fact bearing upon agricultural conditions. If these demonstrations are conducted in such a way that few persons see the result, or learn about it, little is accomplished." The idea of demonstration work spread readily and men were employed to travel along the railroads, establishing demonstrations on farms near the towns where there was sufficient local interest. In 1904 thirty-three special agents were employed by Dr. Knapp to establish demonstration farms. These agents worked two to six months in the early part of the year, and were paid from sixty to eighty dollars per month plus traveling expenses.

In 1906, the businessmen of Tyler appealed to Dr. Knapp for a man to give his entire time to their county and offered, if this appointment were made, to pay a part of his salary. As a result of this request, the first agent to work exclusively in one county was appointed November 12, 1906. This first county agricultural agent was W. C. Stallings.

From 1907 through 1912, the Cooperative Demonstration Work was in the charge of Dr. Knapp, with headquarters in Washington, Texas. There were three State Agents in 1907 and 1908, and two State Agents thereafter. The State Agent for East Texas had headquarters in Tyler, and the one for West Texas was situated at Waco.

On September 1, 1910, the Extension Department was established at the A. and M. College, with C. M. Evans as Superintendent. The principal work carried on by this department consisted of correspondence courses, fair exhibits, and agricultural trains.

Prior to 1911, local assistance in the employment of agents had been in the form of contributions from businessmen and bankers in the counties. In 1911, the State Legislature passed a law authorizing county commissioners' courts to appropriate as much as \$1,000 annually for "Farmers Cooperative Demonstration Work." This was the beginning of the three-way cooperation between the Federal Government, the State and County governments.

On October 1, 1912, an agreement was made between the United States Department of Agriculture and the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas for conducting demonstration work coopera-

tively. Under this agreement, demonstration work in the State was to be under the general direction of the Special Agent in charge of Farmers Cooperative Demonstration Work in the United States Department of Agriculture, and the head of the Extension Division at the A and M College. W. F. Procter was appointed State Agent for Texas, and H. H. Williamson was made Assistant State Agent in charge of Boys and Girls Club Work. In this year, the first "lady agents" were appointed to organize girls canning clubs. Mrs. Edna W. Trigg was the first woman appointed. She was employed on January 16, 1912, to work in Millam County.

On July 1, 1914, the Smith-Lever Act became effective, and the Extension Service as we know it today came into being. Behind this new Extension Service lay more than ten years of pioneering experience, of demonstration of new methods of teaching, and training of the leaders who were to carry on and expand this service to the people of the State.

Peanut Curing COLLEGE STATION, Tex. (UPI) — Learning to control temperature and humidity are key factors in curing peanuts artificially, an agricultural engineer at Texas A&M College says.

W. S. Allen says air entering the peanut drying bin should not exceed a temperature of 95 degrees Fahrenheit and relative humidity not less than 55 per cent.

Seeder Will Separate Fertilizer, Seed

An experimental hand seeder that assures complete separation of seed and fertilizer in small grain planting has been developed, reports Henry O'Neal, extension agricultural engineer, Texas A&M College. It was developed cooperatively by the U. S. Department of Agriculture and the Michigan Agricultural Experiment Sta-

tion and was described at the winter meeting of the American Society of Agricultural Engineers at Chicago on December 12. W. C. Hulbert of the USDA's Agricultural Research Service said the seeder was still being tested and was not available commercially, but that several companies had shown an interest in it.

O'Neal says the seeder differs from present models in two ways; namely, it has a share with a curve or scallop in the cutting edge and the seed tube is mounted six to eight inches behind the fertilizer tube. The share on the experimental seeder makes two distinct furrows instead of the one irregularly shaped furrow made by most conventional seeders, explains the engineer. Too, on most

present models the seed tube is mounted ahead of the fertilizer tube, he adds.

Adjustments on the experimental seeder make it possible to apply fertilizer in a concentrated band to the side and about an inch below small grain seed which is recommended by most agronomists, points out O'Neal. Many commercial seeders mix seed and fertilizer in the furrow rather than placing them in separate rows as should be done in band seeding.

When fertilizer comes in contact with the seed, germination is often delayed or reduced. Reversing the positions of the seed and fertilizer tubes increases the probability of seed germination, O'Neal says, because the seed is sown almost directly under the firming wheel. If the seed tube is several inches ahead of the firming wheel -- as it is on some commercial grain drills -- loose soil often covers the seed before the wheel passes over it. The loose soil becomes packed on the seed and emergence is often reduced or delayed.

O'Neal points out that this is another example of how research workers are helping to improve agricultural machinery and equipment.

Ailing Geraniums COLLEGE STATION, Tex. (UPI) — If your geraniums are the victims of a strange germ, the Texas A&M extension service suggests a check for the hard-to-diagnose verticillium wilt disease. Dr. Harlan Smith, plant pathologist, said the disease is often confused with bacterial rot and plants are thus treated for the wrong condition.



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CPI Is Worthy

Cotton growers, with the excellent cooperation of ginners, now are working to enlist their neighbors in a new voluntary business organization, the Cotton Producers Institute. It is non-political and was organized by grower leadership from across the Cotton Belt.

Its aim is to increase the total market for U. S. cotton in ways that will expand markets, production, and profits. To achieve this aim, growers are contributing \$1 per bale to a research and promotion fund.

The fact that such a large number of growers are working to make the Institute a success indicates the idea is sound and has a broad base of support.

It also is encouraging to note the idea is based on the sound principle of self-help. The total market for all fibers is expanding tremendously. However, growers realize a growing total market does not necessarily mean an expanding market for cotton. Artificial fibers and other substitutes also are making a strong bid for it.

Cotton producers recognize that to take advantage of their opportunities, they must lower production costs, improve quality, and sell cotton products more aggressively. The Institute is their mechanism for taking direct action to accomplish these aims.

The Institute is an idea which should be heartily applauded by the entire cotton industry and by the nation as a whole.

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