

COTTON RESEARCHERS GET OPEN-END MACHINE—Looking over the new open-end spinning frame at the Cotton Incorporated Research Center at Raleigh, N.C. are (left to right) Hal E. Brockmann, vice president for textile research and development, Dr. David Black, manager of the textile development laboratory, and Wallace Blanton, associate director for technical research services.

The new Cotton Incorporated machine is the first U.S. installation of the most advanced design available. Cotton Incorporated is the marketing and research company sponsored by cotton growers throughout America.

Ropesville Area News

Dr. and Mrs. Billy Harris and sons of Brian, Texas, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Harris, over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. John Tiller of Fountain Valley, California, are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J.E. Tiller this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Littlefield recently visited her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Martin of Seagraves.

Darwin Hobbs of Seagraves recently visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Emory Hobbs.

Mr. and Mrs. John Robertson of Lubbock visited her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Emory Hobbs last week. ****

Mable Hobbs and Tula Mae Roberts visited Mayme Rasberry and Mary Evelyn Barbee last week. They are both in hospitals.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Staples and Rhonda, Sheila, Kerri and Brenna Gayle Bridwell, all of Lubbock, visited their mother and grandmother, Mrs. Vera Bridwell, Sunday.

Brenna Gayle Bridwell of Lubbock is visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Vera Bridwell, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Drake and sons of Lubbock visited in the home of his mother, Mrs. Ruby Drake, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Jackson moved to Ropes last week. We welcome them to our town.

Mayme Rasberry, who has been in the Methodist Hospital for quite a while, is out of intensive care at this time and in room 691. Any ladies who could sit up with her at night, please contact Inez Price.

Mrs. Betty Jane Moore and Betty Rae of Lubbock visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O.K. Briggs, Sunday.

Ropes Needle Club Meets

The Ropes Needle Club met in the home of Mrs. Louise Sylvester Thursday, November 21.

Those present were Mrs. E.N. Exum, Mrs. E.J. Abney, Mrs. C.K. Teaff, Mrs. Ruby Drake, Mrs. Jessie Thomas, Mrs. Hixie Tipps, Mrs. Jean Meade, Mrs. Terry Redford, Mrs. P.L. Darby and the hostess.

Each lady brought a covered dish and lunch was enjoyed by all.

Wedding Shower to Honor Kayla Stock

There will be a wedding shower for Kayla Stockton, bride -elect of Harlan Cain, in the home of Mrs. Ronnie McNabb, Thursday, December 5th from 2 to 5 p.m.

Everyone is invited.

Cub Scouts Tour Bakery

Cub Scouts, members of Pack 563, Dens 1, 2 and 3, toured the Rainbow Bakery in Lubbock on Friday, November 22nd.

Mothers and den leaders attending were Mrs. Ronnie Valentine, Mrs. Ronnie McNabb, Mrs. L.E. Wilson, Jr., Mrs. M.L. Roberts Jr., Mrs. Gene Gee, and Mrs. Melvin Glenn.

Ropes School Lunch Menu

Monday, December 2 Fish Portion, Tartar Sauce Cole Slaw, French Fries, Catsup Peanut Butter, Crackers Peaches, Rolls, Butter, Milk

Tuesday, December 3 Tacos, Taco Sauce Tossed Salad, Pinto Beans Buttered Hominy Corn Bread, Butter Chocolate Pudding, Milk

Wednesday, December 4 Fried Chicken and Gravy Lettuce Wedge, French Dressing Macaroni and Cheese Green Beans Cookies, Rolls, Milk, Butter

Thursday, December 5 Hamburger on Bun Onion, Pickle, Tomato, Lettuce Potato Chips Cobbler Pie, Mlk

Friday, December 6 Vegetable Beef Soup Crackers, Cheese Corn Bread, Butter Fruit Mate, Orange Juice, Milk

Texas Grain Sorghum Producers Tests Show Grain Unhurt by Discoloration

sorghum is not affected by discoloration caused by weathering, according to Jack King, research director for Texas Grain Sorghum Producers Board.

"With prolonged rains we have had this year in the Texas High Plains area causing discoloration of grain, many grain producers and elevator operators have become quite concerned because the grain is not grading No. 2," King said.

"We felt discoloration had very little effect upon the nutritional value. Therefore, TGSPB collected samples of grain from grain exchanges in No. 2, No. 3 and Sample grades. We had a chemical analysis performed on each sample to determine nutritional levels. Results showed that all samples, regardless of grade, were equal in nutritional value when discoloration caused lower grades," stated King.

Tests proved that when all

Nutritional value in grain other factors are normal, discoloration alone does not change the nutritional value of grain sorghum.

> The only test which showed a decrease in nutritional value was a batch which had been labeled Sample grade because of test weight as well as weathering.

> No. 2 grain sorghum is the normal trading grade. The minimum test weight must be 55 lbs. per bushel, with maximum moisture content 14 percent.

> Grade No. 3 must weigh at least 54 lbs. per bushel and have a moisture level of 15 percent or

> Sample is the lowest sorghum grade.

Dr. Robert Albin, animal nutrition specialist at Texas Tech University in Lubbock, stated after reviewing the samples he agrees that "according to these tests, there is no difference in nutritional levels due to discoloration."

Services H **Brother of Ropes** Man Monday

Services for Melvin S. Watson, 80, of Hale Center, were at 2:30 p.m. Monday at the Hale Center Church of Christ with Frank Green, minister, officiating.

Burial was in Lubbock's Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Freeman Funeral Home.

Watson died at 3 p.m. Saturday in University Hospital in Lubbock. A native of Tennessee, he moved to Hale Center 23 years ago from Idalou.

He was a retired farmer and a member of the Hale Center Church of Christ. He married Lena Cullum in Greenville in 1911. She preceded him in death in January, 1971.

Survivors include three sons, Denton of Dallas, R.G. of Lubbock and Bob of Hale Center; two daughters, Mrs. Melva Kemletz of Lubbock, and Mrs. T.L. Redwine of Hale Center; five brothers,

Earnest of Whitesboro, Milton of Stephenville, Fred of Carlisle, Allen of Ropesville and Leander of Soper, Okla.; two sisters, Mrs. Mattie McSpadden of Farmersville and Mrs. Louise Woodson of Jefferson Town, Ky.; 11 grandchildren and eight great grandchildren.

Ropes FTA **Meets Here**

The Future Teachers of America met on November 14th in the home of Mrs. Jerry Beth Shannon, club sponsor. Two teachers at Ropes, Mrs. Margaret Gamble and Miss Gail Thompson, presented discussions on courses required for education majors at Texas Tech University and West Texas State University.

The group decided to sponsor an "American Graffitti Day" at Ropes High School on Wednesday, December 11th. On this day all high school students are encouraged to dress like they did in the late fifties.

Features of Farm Lease Outlined

A good, well thought out written agreement when leasing a farm can often eliminate problems and disagreements between landlords and tenants, believes Dr. Wayne Hayenga, economist for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

"A lease should be tailored to fit the farm, the landlord and the tenant," he points out.

Hayenga says the lease should cover such areas as property rights, land use, and livestock production and restrictions, and should have provisions for conserving and maintaining farm resources, sharing of costs and returns, and length of the agreement.

The agreement should clearly

state the rights, duties and responsibilities of each party and should provide for change and adaptability.

The goal of the agreement should be to provide reasonable returns to both landlord and tenant for the resources provided.

"A good lease provides for the development, improvement and maintenance of the land, buildings, fences and other improvements," notes Hayenga. "It should assure the tenant a reasonable reimbursement for the investments he leaves in the farm when his period of occupancy ends."

Hayenga contends that a rental agreement should have a provision for equitable sharing.

Wolfforth Area News

Wolfforth First United Methodist Church celebrated their Thanksgiving dinner Sunday evening in the Frenship High School cafeteria. The Frenship High School Varsity Choir led by Miss Doreen Hutton brought the entertainment.

Wolfforth 7th, 8th and 9th grade girls will play Roosevelt there Monday, Dec. 2 at 5:30 p.m.

The 7th, 8th and 9th grade boys play Roosevelt here Monday, Dec. 2 at 5:30 p.m.

Frenship Varsity and Jr. Salisbury Steak Varsity girls play Levelland there Friday, Nov. 29 at 6:30 p.m.

Frenship Varsity and Jr. Varsity boys play Brownfield here Saturday, Nov. 30 at 6:30 p.m.

Varsity boys and girls and JV girls play Seagraves here Tuesday, Dec. 3 at 5:00 p.m.

The First United Methodist Church of Wolfforth will conduct a bazaar from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Saturday, December 7th in Fellowship Hall of the church.

Booths will include such items as Christmas decorations, crafts, knitting, bake sale, country store, snack bar. A chili plate will be served at lunch. Chili may be purchased to take home. Proceeds of the event will go to help in church operations.

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Frenship School **Lunch Menu**

Monday, December 2 Chicken Noodle Casserole Green Beans, Sliced Peaches Hot Rolls, Butter Devils Food Cake, Milk

Tuesday, December 3 Beef Stew Strawberry Fruit Jello Biscuits, Butter Krispie Cookie, Milk

Wednesday, December 4 New Potatoes, Lima Beans Gingerbread, Lemon Sauce Hot Rolls, Butter, Milk

Thursday, December 5 Lemon Butter Baked Chicken Mashed Potatoes, Gravy Asparagus, Orange Sections Oatmeal Cake, Peanut Butter Frosting, Milk

Friday, December 6 Pork Loin Roast, Gravy French Fries, Apple Sauce Hot Rolls, Butter Sugar Cookies, Milk

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4-H Dog Fanciers Earn and Learn

sweets, one authority reported this week.

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There are several forms of honey made.

-Liquid, or extracted, honey is that removed from the comb.

-Comb honey is honey just as it is stored by the bees.

—Chunk honey is a combination of comb and liquid honey. It consists of pieces of comb with extracted honey poured over them.

-Creamed, or granulated, honey is extracted honey that has been formed into minute crystals, giving a creamy texture. It makes an excellent spread.

-Honey butter is a mixture of honey and butter.

Honey will keep indefinitely stored tightly covered in a dry place at room temperature. If it becomes granulated, place the container in warm water to reliquify.

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But What For?

SPORTS

by Joe Kelly

The entire Southwest Conference football race comes down to one game, Friday, when Texas and A&M clash in Austin. The other games mean little or nothing. The Cotton Bowl is decided in this battle.

And what a battle it should be! I wish I could see it, but I'll be working. Many have said for weeks that Texas would win, basing it on tradition and the failure of the Aggies to win at Austin. And those people could

It should be a titanic struggle. Over the long run, the Aggies have had the better team this year. They beat Tech and Baylor handily, their two main challengers. They were upset by SMU, which tarnishes the record slightly.

Texas was wiped out by Tech, rebounded to become, at times, the awesome power the Horns were expected to be. Each has a potent offense with many good, strong backs.

Neither team is overpowering when it comes to passing and both rely on ground power. Marty Akins, though, probably has the edge if the Horns put the ball up-and I think that they will.

Which offensive line is better? I think I would give the edge to Texas, thanks to a little more quickness. Defensively, you have to be impressed with Aggie size and strength. I'd say that the victory would go to the team that establishes its running game first.

Watching with fingers crossed will be Baylor, which obviously will root for UT. If the Horns win, Baylor goes to the Cotton Bowl and could, by beating Rice, win the title outright.

An Aggie victory, of course, would end Baylor's hopes and send A&M to the Dallas Classic.

Although beaten soundly by A&M, the Bears are the sentimental favorite, if for no other reason than it has been 50 years since they won the title-and they've never played in the Cotton Bowl.

Fifty years! Tech has been competing for only 15 years and never has won a conference title. I hope 35 years hence people aren't making Tech the sentimental favorite because it hasn't won the title in half a century.

I dunno, could be. Since Tech has competed, Texas has won the crown eight times; Arkansas three times; SMU and A&M once; and Texas and Arkansas tied once.

In that 15 year span the Raiders have finished second three times and tied for second once. They finished third once and tied for third once. They finished fourth once and tied for fourth once. This year they finished sixth for the second time and three times have tied for sixth.

Tech also finished seventh once and in the cellar one time. Their best record was 1973, when they had a 6-1 mark. Prior to that Tech had 5-2 marks three times, 4-3 marks three times, 3-3-1 once, 2-5 four times, 1 -5 -1 once and 0 -7 once.

So, half the time, eight of 15 to be exact, Tech has finished in the first division. But, Tech has had above .500 seasons only seven times and one even .500. *******

The Arkansas game made me wonder if the Raiders really had their hearts in playing, despite what they said before the game. In the first half they did everything except win.

Then it almost seemed as if the Porkers decided well, shoot, if the Raiders don't want it, let's take it. And here they came, running right up the center, with occasional end sweeps. They didn't even have to pass. It was a sickening end to a lacklustre season.

By the time this is read, there undoubtedly will be something concrete concerning the ticket situation in regards to the Peach Bowl. I had it confirmed to me Sunday that Tech had agreed to take tickets in order to assure the invitation.

Sunday morning there were all sorts of denials that anyone was responsible for guaranteeing 6,000 tickets. And yet the deal was made, that seems certain.

In view of the fact that Tech sold only 1,700 tickets last year to the Gator Bowl, against Tennessee, how many tickets will be sold for a 6 -4 -1 record this year?

It means that Tech will wind up buying a huge chunk of tickets-which will come off bowl expenses, never cheap. It could be an expensive bowl trip. And whoever is responsible should be given a public reprimand that will eliminate such foolishness in the future.

The Peach official here for the Arkansas game left the pressbox with a slightly green tinge. If Tennessee beats Vanderbilt, as expected, it will make it a little hard to sell tickets for 6 -4 teams.

It should happen to all the bowls that jump the gun. The Peach picked a team that lost three of its final four games, and the Fiesta Bowl didn't do much better. The others were lucky, primarily because they stayed with teams that generally win. Even some of them lost, though after accepting bids.

The NCAA must take action to stop premature bowl bids and could do it easily by investigation, followed by ineligibility for wrongdoers. Only then will picking teams Nov. 1 be eliminated. It's a practice that is a farce and must be stopped.

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with animals, youthful dog fanciers can share in a variety of awards ranging from medals to transistor radios to Offered by Purina Dog Foods Group, Ralston Purina Company, the awards are given in the national 4-H dog care & training program supervised by the Cooperative Extension Service. This year,

awards including six scholarships of \$700 each are expected to be claimed by some

On his way to earning national recognition, a 4-H'er can earn a medal of honor at the county level, a transistor radio for state honors and one of 18 trips to National 143,000 young people enrolled in dog care and training projects nationwide are eligifor consideration by the Cooperative Extension local kennel after school and Service.

5000 young people.

While happily accepting the awards, the youths enjoy other benefits-the companionship of their dogs, numerous events and activities, and the opportunities the prolearning.

goal is to become a veterinar- movie on how to raise a pup. ian and 4-H has made me

4-H Congress from his geo- realize there is nothing I want graphical section. More than to do more. I have gotten a head start in learning many things about animals that I couldn't be taught in any ble to submit their records school." Miss Abbott also has put her skills to work in a on weekends.

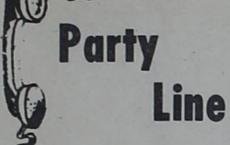
Andrea Kutlik, 17, Lodi, Calif., has been busy showing dogs in obedience and conformation classes and helping with county health department rabies clinics. She and gram provides for earning and her mother also have led a 75-member 4-H dog care and Kathy Abbott, 18, of training club and most Huntington, Conn., says, "My recently, produced a home

A young man who has

found partime work in an animal clinic is Jervis Tucker, 18, Zachary, La. Besides working with a veterinarian, a career he hopes later to make his own, young Tucker also operates a small dog grooming business.

These are among the many 4-H members who are learning the responsibilities of dog ownership, successful care and management practices and generally enjoying their experiences.

For information on how to participate in the 4-H dog care and training program or servicing as a leader of a group, contact the local county extension office.



Kristi Moore of Olton spent several days last week with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W.F. Williamson, while her mother, Mrs. Wayne Moore was a patient in University Hospital.

Services Held for Bobby G. Bond

Services for Bobby Glen Bond, 39, of Hurlwood were at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Sanders Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Max Browning, pastor of First United Methodist Church, in Shallowater, officiating.

Burial was at Resthaven Memorial Park.

Bond was dead on arrival about 1:00 p.m. Sunday at Methodist Hospital.

Justice of the Peace, Charles Smith, has withheld a ruling in the death pending the results of an autopsy.

Bond moved to the South Plains area 20 years ago from east Texas. He had lived in Hurlwood and was employed by Fields Engineering and Equipment for four months before he was involved in an auto accident January 20th.

He previously had lived in Littlefield where he had worked for Pioneer Pavers for 15 years, and in Shallowater shere he had worked for Brown -McKee Inc.

Survivors include his wife, Jimmie Sue; one daughter. Norma Jean of Houston; three sons, Timothy Glen and Michael Lewis, both of the home, and Daryl Glen of Ennis; his mother, Ruby E. of Ennis; his father, Joe C. of Ennis; two brothers, Albert of Ennis and Charles of Dallas; and one grandchild.

Home Highlights

by Jewel Robinson Hockley County Extension Agent CONSUMER 'ZINGERS'

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Mrs. A.C. Wages is a patient in Highland Hospital where she is undergoing a series of tests.

Mrs. W.F. Williamson was in Olton Tuesday for her granddaughter Krisit Moore's fifth birthday party.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Brister of Ventura, California, is visiting in the home of her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Don Rackler.

products are the worst offenders. They corrode the surface by breaking through the thin, transparent film of chromium and nickel oxides on the steel surface.

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If you use a dishwasher, load flatware carefully so that no two pieces nest together. The water should be approximately 140 degrees F. and use only the recommended amount of dishwasher detergent.

Prompt washing—by hand or machine—prevents corrosion and keeps stainless steel truly stainless.

—To prevent knotting in thread when hand sewing, thread the needle before cutting thread from spool. Then knot the newly cut end and run your thumb and first finger down the thread to removed the twist.

—When planning turkey and dressing for Thanksgiving Day, remember that dressing can be a breeding place for bacteria.

Don't stuff the turkey; cook the dressing separately because inside a warm turkey is a perfect breeding place for bacteria.

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U.S. Ag Affects World Production

What goes up must come down, or so the story goes. And that's how the agricultural situation shapes up. Led by declines in agricultural production in the United States, world production of food and fiber will be down during the current fiscal year after record levels a year ago.

A decline in grain production will be the main reason for this world situation although livestock and cotton production are expected to be up slightly.

In the United States grain and cotton production will be down sharply while livestock production will generally hold steady. Due to the reduced production levels, crop prices for 1974 should average about 31 per cent higher than in 1973. But livestock prices will average 6 per cent lower. Prices received for all farm products in the U.S. are expected to average about 8 per cent higher than last year.

However, he hastens to point out that net farm income in the U.S. is expected to decrease just over \$5 billion from the record \$32.3 billion of last year, due mainly to an expected \$12 billion increase in production expenses.

Although cash receipts from agricultural products will be up about \$7.5 billion in the U.S., it's another story in Texas. Cash receipts are expected to be down

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more than \$1.5 billion from the record \$6.5 billion last year. Almost all of that drop is due to price declines in the livestock industry.

Taking a look at the export situation, the economist points out that the total volume of agricultural exports may decline as much as 25 per cent during the current fiscal year. This is due mainly to anticipated declines in exports of wheat, feedgrains and cotton. The total value of U.S. agricultural exports is expected to be about \$20 billion compared to the record level of \$21.3 billion last year.

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increase in the farm retail spread will be 21 per cent higher than last year. Consequently, the consumer will face about a 15 per cent average increase in the overall food bill although this is one per cent less than last year.

Busy Grandmother

Raytown, Mo.—Mrs. Theda Beningfield, a 57 year old grandmother of six, is a full time housewife, part time receptionist and a church worker, but says she spends more time than anything else as a flight instructor.

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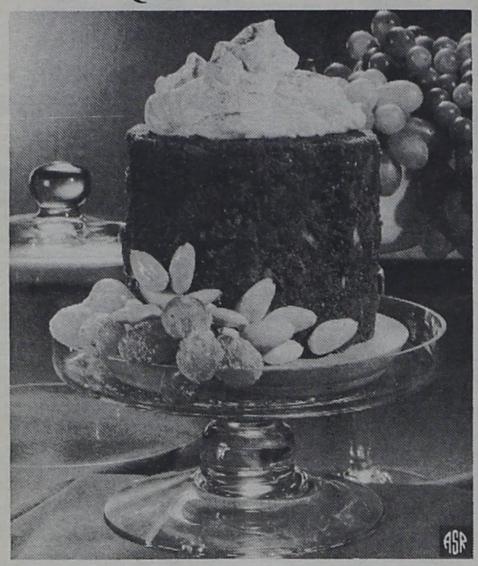
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- 1 package (1 lb.) blueberry coffee cake mix
- ½ cup milk
- 1 egg
- 3/3 cup slivered almonds
- 1 cup diced candied lemon peel
- 3/3 cup diced candied pineapple
- 1/3 cup quartered candied

cherries

Line a 2-lb. coffee can or 5-cup mold with foil; grease. Blend cake mix envelope from coffee cake package with milk and egg; beat as package directs. Fold in almonds and fruits, then mix in well-drained blueberries from package and the envelope of topping. Spoon batter into foil-lined can. Bake at 325 degrees for 1 hour or until pick inserted in center comes out dry. Cool 30 minutes in can, then invert. Wrap cake in more foil to finish cooling. Makes 1 cake (2½ lbs.).



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SHRIMP TIP



Salvos for shrimp cocktail, especially the madly popular one with the red sauce on top! True, home production usually takes some doing but not if you already have a can of shrimp tucked away in the refrigerator. Canned shrimp, thoroughly chilled, make good cocktail shrimp. As for the favorite red cocktail sauce, it is simple beyond belief to make.

COCKTAIL FOR TWO

- 1 can (4½ ounces) shrimp Crisp lettuce
- 1/2 cup chili sauce or tomato catsup
- 1/3 cup chopped celery

shrimp.

- 2 teaspoons prepared horse-
- tablespoon lemon juice Rinse shrimp in cold water. Arrange in lettuce-lined cocktail glasses. Combine sauce ingredients and spoon over



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Egg Shell Mosaic Containers

These containers are made from cans and a plastic bottle, things you would normally throw away. They're decorated with another recycled item . . . egg shells that have been colored in a dye solution. Besides being attractive and useful, they are easy to make.

Supplies: white egg shells, liquid or powder Rit dye, tweezers, white glue, clear shellac or varnish, fruit juice can, tuna can, plastic detergent bottle.

General directions: Draw or trace design onto item to be decorated. Rinse the egg shells and remove any loose pieces of membrane. Color the egg shells by dyeing in a solution of 2 tablespoons liquid dye or 1/4 package powder dye in 1 quart hot tap water for about 10 to 15 minutes. Because egg shells vary in structure, different shades may result which will add texture to the appearance of the finished design. Gently lift and stir egg shells in the dye solution, then rinse in cold water and dry on paper towels.

Working on a small area at a time, apply glue to can or bottle. Press egg shell pieces into place until flat and glue adheres. Allow to dry completely, then brush on a protective coat-



ing of clear shellac or varnish or use a plastic spray.

Vase: Cut top from bottle with a razor blade or sharp cutting tool. Add egg shell pieces in irregular horizontal stripes. Suggested colors are cocoa brown, gold, kelly green and tangerine.

Pencil and Clips holders: Fill in egg shell pieces to form letters first, then fill in background. Break egg shells into smaller pieces as needed to fill open spaces. If desired, color can rims with nail polish. Suggested colors are cocoa brown, yellow and scarlet.

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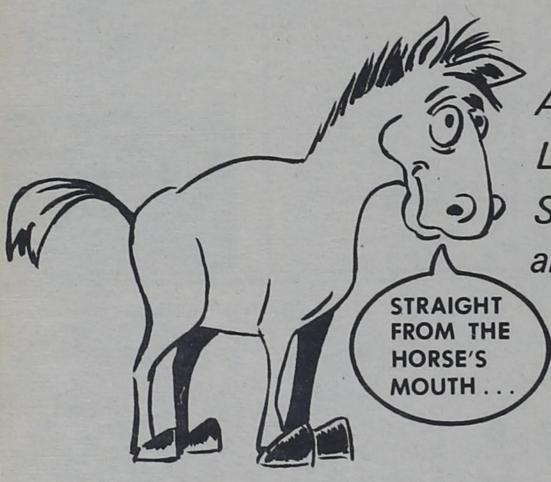
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