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#### OUR TEXTILE LEADERSHIP.

little chance of this pre-eminence ever who do not pay their club dues.

will likewise be speedily boomed.

dri terests to do now is to look immediately must be treated fairly. 1927 is going to and toward the development of finished goods be a good year to get out of debt; or at lines. Therein is the South weak.

same direction.

In the textile directory of the Southern the multiplication table.' Railway just issued it is shown that there are now more spindles in operation in the South than in New England and that cotton mills of the cotton belt consume 70 per cent, of the cotton manufactured in America. The City Builder, the publication of the Atlanta Chamber of Commerce, recites the following facts and figures relative to the situation:

'While heretofore, New England has led all other parts of the United States in cotton manufacturing equipment, on March 1, 1927, there were 183,738 more spindles in the South than in New England mills. In all of the Southern States since the first appeal was made. there are now 17,936,264 spindles, or 47.95 per cent. of all of the machinery en-States.

of the cotton textile industry is shown by man needs and suffering. the fact that there was a net increase of 189,140 spindles in the South and a net ter has sent \$150 to the national headdecrease of 656,604 spindles in all other quarters of the Red Cross as the starter States in 1926. The number of spindles for Cabarrus county. Individuals have outside of the South reached a maximum already made contributions and others in 1922, since which year there has been a should do likewise without delay. This 512,695 spindles, as compared with a net of persons.

mist of all kinds in operation at points served should not forget the little tots who canby the Southern on January 1, operating not care for themselves. We should re-13,397,047 spindles, 261,362 looms and 49,- member the mothers who have given 567 knitting machines. During the year, birth to babes in box-cars, sheds and othincluding those under construction at the er temporary quarters. They are of our end of the year, 180 additions were made flesh and blood; they must be saved. Leto existing plants. Cotton mills at points Disease has crept into the refugee served by the Southern contain 73.79 per camps, bringing an added horor to those cent, of all of the cotton spindles in the who are clinging to bare necessities in cotton growing States.

ble in the South, under trade conditions, these camps. They can be procured onwhich compel shutting down or curtail- ly through the generosity of an America ment in other parts of the Country, is that refuses to recognize distance as shown by the fact that in 1926 Southern barrier in the time of distress. mills consumed 4,757,902 bales, or 71.16 per cent. of the total consumption of the United States, while mills in all other States used only 1,928,562 bales or 28.84 per cent. of the cotton consumed. In 1926, the Southern mills, with 17,936,264 spindles in place, operated 61,520,349,555 spindle hours, while mills in the other States, with 19,468,208 spindles in place, operated 35,480,024,187 spindle hours. In other words Southern mills with 47.95 per cent, of the spindles worked 63.42 per cent. of the total spindle hours in that

from notes and mortgages to pay."

Babson. Read the following from Mr Babson:

ply any local body with a series of news- fields. paper ads. which the retailers of the city | "The south is very much more prosperership from the New England section of Up Week' similar to the 'Clean-Up Week' to become even more prosperous." the country in cotton manufacturing," which has been existing for some time. says The Charlotte News, "but it has In some cities the Retail Trade associaleaped so rapidly to the forefront and is tions have threatened to publish the continuing so rapidly its processional to names of delinquent customers, the same supremacy in this particular that there is as a club would post the names of those

being taken away from it so long as such "It is said that in some small places money by receiving commissions from "And with the growth of cotton manu- merchants for collecting overdue bills. facturing proceeding under such auspic- Some would think that this is an unfavious circumstances, it would seem logical, orable omen, but to 'me it is distinctly at least, to assume that the South's devel- favorable. Distster comes from living in opment in other lines of manufacturing a fool's paradise, and never from correcting an evil. Retailers perform a most "The important thing for Southern in- necessary function in business and they least to reduce one's indebtedness. The "Just as it was natural for the section time to prepare for war is in the days of of the Country that grows the cotton to peace, and now is the time to prepare for 000, was used as a base for the bureau's most support. develop into the cotton manufacturing future opportunities. Safeguard your mecca of America, so it is just as logical profits by getting out of debt now. Prothat the cotton manufacturing center tect your business by reducing your inshould become the finishing goods empor- debtedness now. Insure your family by leaving them free from mortgages or More and more, we believe, manufac- notes to pay. There is enough money in turers of the Suth are seeing the neces- the country today for all. If we all will sity of establishing plants to finish their be content to give a fair value in mergoods. In this county practically all chandise or labor for the money we recotton goods are finished and in other ceive, prosperity might continue indefi-Southern localities the trend is in the nitely. Financial panies are due to ignoring either the Ten Commandments or

### WE CAN'T DELAY.

and they are needed now. The President 834,000 persons. has been told that \$5,000,000 is needed to prived of their homes and livelihood. No last year. The farm population in the trouble. doubt this sum will be insufficient, so New England States was 636,000 pergreat has been the ravages of the Miss- sons January 1, 1927, against 651,000

America is a Christian nation and Christian has no greater duty than to gaged in spinning cotton in the United provide for his fellow-man in need and South Atlantic 5,393,000 against 5,531, distress. Our money is of no good to us |000; East Central 4,509,000 against 4,586, "The continued southward movement if it cannot be expended to relieve hu- 000; West South Central 4,585,000

The Cabarrus County Red Cross Chapnet decrease outside of the South of 1,- is a matter of life and death to hundreds farms and 101,000 persons to farms; East

increase of 1,971,883 spindles in the South The Mississippi is no respector of perin the same period. Mill construction sons. It has swept aside all things in now under way and in sight for 1927 in- its path, bringing death to more than 100 dicates that by the end of the year the persons and bringing poverty, illness and 133,000 to farms; East South Central 266, South, having already pased New Eng- suffering to thousands of others. The land, will have nearly or quite 50 per cry for help carries over the wastes of the cent. of all of the cotton spindles in the overflowing rivers and should touch the and 194,000 to farms; Mountain 130,00 heart of prosperous America.

"The discovery lists 1,080 textile plants In our snugness and comfort here we

their battle with the river. Proper food "That cotton manufacturing is profita- and sufficient medicine are needed in

Give generously! Give immediately!

#### SEES BRIGHTER FUTURE FOR COTTON.

It is an optimistic tone sounded by The Montgomery Advertiser in the following 000 taken at the same low figure. liscussion of the cotton outlook and the resultant effect on conditions in the the \$20,000,000 sold in December at 4.25 of those asking for the money are not south: "We are much more prosperous per cent. over the previous low price of seeking the limit, \$3,000. This means this State will be of great interest to trout fishernow than we thought we would be last 4.49 was figured at \$700,000. The latest that the money will go farther than had men and will stimulate the desire to spend vaca- that a woman juror of demands the stimulate the desire to spend vaca- that a woman juror of demands the stimulate the desire to spend vaca- that a woman juror of demands the stimulate the desire to spend vaca- that a woman juror of demands the stimulate the desire to spend vaca- that a woman juror of demands the stimulate the desire to spend vaca- that a woman juror of demands the stimulate the desire to spend vaca- that a woman juror of demands the stimulate the desire to spend vaca- that a woman juror of demands the stimulate the desire to spend vaca- that a woman juror of demands the stimulate the desire to spend vaca- that a woman juror of demands the stimulate the desire to spend vaca- that a woman juror of demands the stimulate the desire to spend vaca- that a woman juror of demands the stimulate the desire to spend vaca- that a woman juror of demands the stimulate the desire to spend vaca- that a woman juror of demands the stimulate the desire to spend vaca- that a woman juror of demands the stimulate the desire to spend vaca- that a woman juror of demands the stimulate the desire to spend vaca- that a woman juror of demands the stimulate the desire to spend vaca- that it is not to spend the stimulate the desire to spend vaca- that it is not to spend the stimulate the desire to spend the stimulate the desire to spend the stimulate the spend the stimulate the spend the s October," is the way the Alabama paper issue has shorter average maturities but been expected, officials handling the loan hatchery are of the speckled and of the rainbow paper. Undoubtedly

PAY YOUR DEBTS, SAYS BABSON. ahead of last year. In March domestic of the facts will cause the legislature to dicates that the loans are being made semills consumed 694,000 bales as compar- pass some of this saving on to the sol- riously, by men who expect to pay the clear, rushing mountai astreams. We anticipate in court matters "The year 1927 is a good year to get ed with last year's high record of 635, diers. Those securing loans are required money back without the State going to in the streams in its vicinity will prove magnets with jurors or will have been supported by the streams in its vicinity will prove magnets with jurors or will be streams in its vicinity will prove magnets with jurors or will be streams in its vicinity will prove magnets with jurors or will be streams in its vicinity will prove magnets with jurors or will be streams in its vicinity will prove magnets with jurors or will be streams in its vicinity will prove magnets with jurors or will be streams in its vicinity will prove magnets with jurors or will be streams in its vicinity will prove magnets with jurors or will be streams in its vicinity will prove magnets with jurors or will be streams in its vicinity will prove magnets with jurors or will be streams in its vicinity will prove magnets with jurors or will be streams in its vicinity will prove magnets with jurors or will be streams in its vicinity will prove magnets with jurors or will be streams in its vicinity will prove magnets with jurors or will be streams in its vicinity will prove magnets with jurors or will be streams in its vicinity will prove magnets with jurors or will be streams in its vicinity will be streams and the streams are required. out of debt," says Roger Babson, noted 000 bales. For the first eight months of to pay for appraisal and search of title, the trouble to collect it through sale of for the veteran disciples of Isaak Walton. And that the interview of the season the consumption of lint cotton the only expense to the State being in the land and property mortgaged. of America. "Now is the time to pre- was 4,718,000 as compared with 1381,000 administration of the fund, which Colonel pare for future opportunities. Saleguard during the corresponding period last sea- Manning stated yesterday would be well your profits. Protect your indebtedness, son, while the total, including linters under 1 per cent. Should the State get selling State bonds, bearing 1 per cent. Insure your family by leaving them free amounted to 326,000 bales more than last the same rate on the bonds for loans to interest. He also has borrowed \$10,-

"In addition there have been exception- less the rate is reduced." promptly. In several cities the retail see, it was not an 18,500,000-bale crop, af- now total 900.

## DECREASE IN FARM POPULATION

Each year finds fewer and fewer people on the farms of the United States. Machinery takes the place of many, but in many other instances nothing replaces the farm people who move to the urban favorable conditions prevail in this local- the Women's clubs have been earning centers, and agriculture will suffer if the present rate of decrease in farm population is maintained.

moved to farms, making a net movement the delegates do is the thing. of 1,020,000 persons away from farms. Births on farms during 1926 are estimated what it does, and not because of its meetmovement to 649,000.

on the basis of the 1925 agricultural cen- Denver, Cleveland or Atlanta." sus, show a net loss of 441,000 persons in farm population that year. The gross We can't delay in our relief efforts for movement from farms to cities was 1,the storm sufferers of the West and 900,000, and the gross movement to farms 1,066,000 making a net movement to cit-Money, food and clothing are needed, les, not counting births and deaths, of

All geographic sections of the country North Central 4,729,00 against 4,826,000 against 973,000, and Pacific 1,000,000 against 1,014,000.

The figures show that in the New England States 72,000 persons left the farms last year and 52,000 went to farms; Middle Atlantic States 155,000 persons from North Central 319,000 from farms and 164,000 to farms; West North Central 338,000 from farms and 193,000 to farms South Atlantic 354,000 from farms and 000 from farms and 101,000 to farms West South Central 402,000 from farms from farms and 95,000 to farms: Pacific 119,000 from farms and 102,000 to farms

### VETERANS TO GET LOANS AT A LOWER RATE.

selling North Carolina bonds at 4 per are now required to pay, in the opinion ble basis no one will suffer. of John Hall Manning, commissioner of

The veterans act was passed in 1923,

more prosperous." The Advertiser says: the 4.25 rate is estimated at \$500,000.

nite efforts along this line. The Nation- 000 owing to the unusual quality of cotal Retail Association is prepared to sup- ton that was left to rot unpicked in the per cent, instead of 6 per cent. The low work. They are backed by the State and money to be loaned. The State loans the automobile and gasoline taxes. can well afford to have inserted in the lo- ous at this time than it thought last Oc- money it gets from interest and of course "The South has not only wrested lead- cal paper. Some cities are using a 'Pay- tober that it would be. And it is going the interest to be paid by the borrowers will be determined by the amount of interest the State has to pay and receives.

### WHAT THEY DO IS WHAT COUNTS.

States decreased 649,000 persons last year, tion. Other cities being discussed as wrong. the biggest decrease in any year since convention places are St. Louis, Indian- Dr. W. S. Rankin, former head of the and Judge Harding as reau of Agricultural Economics, United Louisville, and recently Atlanta was re- a few days ago, is one of the prominent 1925 agricultural census figure, 28,982,- this distance St. Louis seems to have the charges proved or disproved. He is enti-

It is estimated that 2,155,000 persons says, it doesn't make so much difference made to support them publicly or admit moved from farms to cities, towns and where the convention is held so far as they were mistaken. villages last year, and 1,135,000 persons campaign results are concerned. What As things stand now the public doesn't

"It will be successful or defeated by can be elected no matter whether the et the public know something. The bureau's figures for 1925, revised convention is held in Washington, or

if the candidates are not controlled.

Governor Smith and William G. Mc- way. Adoo would have staged their famous squabble in any city in the country at the last convention. The fact that the meet- Lexington Dispatch. care for those persons who have been de- show net decreases in farm population ing was in New York did not cause the

issippi and its tributaries during the days January 1, 1926; Middle Atlantic States showing much enthusiasm for the proposdential candidates. Friends of the Govagainst 4,727,000; Mountain 949,000 posal, the Smith forces think, may have railroad must have. being ready to admit that he can't be nominateo, and for that reason don't want Smith to have a chance either. If left to the vote of the Democratic party we imagine such a proposal would carry overwhelmingly. We are frank to admit that in our opinion Governor Smith is much the stronger of the two, yet we ment-one that no other section of the State can are not convinced yet that he would quite match. On the other hand its citizens have make the best candidate for the Demo-by "getting on a high horse" and refusing to come would have a chance of election, nor do of scattered individuals we do not anticipate there we think he has a chance of nomination. built through settled territory for any considerable confidence should both drop from the

John L. Miller, tax supervisor and au- Asheville Times ditor for Cabarrus county, is getting things lined up for the revaluation of county taxes. His job is a difficult and When Governor McLean succeeded in important one and he should be supported in his desire to get the best possible cent. he seems to have aided everybody. men to assist him in the revaluation work. One of the probable effects of the new The State government has ruled that the low rate of interest for State bonds will revaluation must be made; the county that, even under these conditions, the Republican be that such a showing will be made on must live within its income and the pub-tariff the loans to veterans of the World War lic must accept these conditions. That's that the next legislature will reduce the the reason the revaluation must be made. as it was originally created under President Wilson. 6 per cent. interest rate which veterans If we can get the property on an equita-

Former service men to the number of on its bonds, but on Monday of this week ions of the Veterans Loan Act. Other \$10,000,000 were sold at an even 4 per applications are coming in almost daily to a disussion of Prohibition than to the tariff. cent., with an option on another \$10,000, and the act is proving more popular than had been predicted for it. There is a The saving in interest to the State on curious thing about the loans too-most Greensboro Record. sizes it up and "we are going to be even the saving on the whole \$20,000,000 over having been of the opinion that practical-avrieties. These trout will be ready for the angler ly everybody would seek the limit. The by May 1 or 15, but the sport will be at its height "Cotton consumption is running well Colonel Manning thinks presentation fact that the limit is not being sought in-

Governor McLean has succeeded in of Western North Carolina.

And pay your bills, further advises M1 April 1 compared with 1,771,000 a year last highway bonds the difference paid other block of bonds to that amount. The by the veteran would be 2 per cent. un- New York bank which bought the bonds Winston-Salem agreed at first to take only \$2,500,000 "One of the healthiest signs in the pres- ally heavy continuous rains for some No loans have yet been made but 51 worth but the Governor got in personal ent situation is the campaigns which are days in Oklahoma, Texas and Arkansas—applications aggregating \$131,000 have touch with the bankers with the result being made to get people to pay their bills with the result that prices advanced. You been completed and informal requests that he sold them \$10,000,000 worth and It will be a worthwhile saving to the can be sold. These bonds were authorrate will in no wise affect the amount of will be retired by funds received from

#### WAS THERE ANY GRAFT?

Officers of the State Board of Health want an immediate investigation into charges of graft on the part of the employes of the department. The charges were made before the last Legislature Senator Carter Glass favors holding the and in all fairness to everybody it seems Both are violating next Democratic national convention in that the matter should not be allowed to better than the he Washington. He points out that the remain as at present. The charges have National capital is a neutral city, has not been aired, nobody has been allowed sells liquor. It is so ample hotel and auditorium accommoda- to testify, and the only thing decided in that makes crime tions, and in many ways is desirable. The regard to the matter is a report of the At-The farm population of the United Charlotte Observer seconds the nomina- torney General that he has found nothing to

1920, according to estimates by the Bu- apolis, Cleveland, Chicago, Denver and department and one of its members until States Department of Agriculture. The ported to have put in a bid. How much men of the State who are demanding an number of persons living on farms Jan-support Glass's suggestion will get re-investigation. If there has been graft number of persons fiving on farms jan-support Glass's suggestion in likely to some of it must have been under him, he that kipling is right when a likely to some of it must have been under him, he that kipling is right when it is right when it is the state of the wants the state of the wants the state of the wants the state of t against 28,541,000, January 1, 1926. The get sufficient approval to be named. At rightly challenges, and he wants the "Oh, East is East and tled to that. Persons who make charges But after all, as the Durham Herald against any public department should be

know whether there was graft or not. This cannot be established, it seems to Government's policy in us, until a regular investigation has been at 658,000 and deaths at 287,000, leaving ing place," says The Durham contempor- made. Let witnesses be called and the vital question a natural increase, of 371,000 persons, arl. "The right sort of a candidate run- heard, let the records be looked into, let of the two American which reduced the loss due to city-ward ning on a sound and vigorous platform the usual procedure be followed. Then

This white-washing business doesn' clear up anything, and we can readily un-The thing to watch is the candidates, derstand why such a process is not satis-There is just as likely to be a bitter and factory to the department officials. The disastrous fight in one city as the other charges have been made publicly and should be supported or denied in the same

#### GET IT IF WE WANT IT.

section between Charlotte, Winston-Salen Suporters of Governor Smith are not and Greensboro wants the railroad extension badly If there has been enough it will get it. Undoubtedly a cheaper route January 1, 1926; Middle Atlantic States showing much enthusiasm for the propos-1,768,000 against 1,808,000; East North al that the Governor and William G. Mc- be secured. From Charlotte all the way to Dur- destruction of property, to Central 4,323,000 against 4,425,00; West Adoo both step down and out as presi- ham, across Stanly, Randolph, Chatham and informed. Yet the Properties of the land, both rural and urban, compared to the land ernor say he has gained in popularity and in this section. Land there is cheaper because the strength during the past two years where- territory is not so intensively developed as it is through this section. But freight tonnage comes as McAdoo has lost in power. The pro-from developed sections; and tonnage is what a

started in a McAdoo camp, his followers We notice that representatives of the railroad are filling out the questionnaire of the Interstate Commerce Commission with statistics showing the development during the past few years of the section through which they propse to extend the location of the territory that furnishes the statis-

Since this territory has the desired tonnage and the bright prospect of rapidly growing tonnage from year to year it has the biggest possible arguthe power also to block the coming of the road cratic party. We do not think McAdoo down to a reasonable level of cooperation. Outside will be any serious trouble. Every railroad ever The party no doubt would gain some distance has probably had to overcome such

# WHAT CHANCE TARIFF REFORM?

If Mr. McAdoo could arouse as many people by his sound and vigorous statement on the tariff as he has from time to time by his speeches on Prohibition, the result would increase tremendously the chances of the Democratic Party for victory

Written almost entirely from the political view point and based largely upon a system of political rewards or for political advantage, Mr. McAdoo says that the tariff cannot be justified. He admits legislation nevertheless has some economic That merit would be enhanced, he points In future tariff legislation, Mr. McAdoo would have the farmer given at least equal advantages with the industrialist, and more, if it is possible to be done without violence to economic principles.

This is a line of attack on the Republican Old Guard which the Western farmers and the Demoabout 600 already have made requests cratic Party have neglected. Whether it is at when the State was paying 4 3-4 interest for loans from the State under the provis- this time possible to start and drive to success a campaign on tariff reform may be doubtful, for even Mr. McAdoo has devoted more of his time

# ANOTHER MOUNTAIN MAGNET.

are to be deposited in the mountain streams of Lexington Dispatch until later. Trout fishing is a scientific sport, and only the expert will find it successful. These beauty, scenic grandeaur and coolness in these publicity the trial

season. Mills held 1,980,000 bales on veterans that it has just secured on its 000,000 in anticipation of the sale of an- kept so busy at the courthouse. job of painting on his new flivvers when he's being

his salt. The rich mere weight of wh jury to his will. take it from me, is In his charge to the

# COOLIDGE STILL FAILS

There is left in the air, ho and in Nicaragua.

destruction of property, th

Mr. Coolidge is not res the situation, and the poli who had inherited it from I But Mr Coolidge or some talking on these subjects wi

Nationalist forces, even if the of Peking. The full task we are witnessing a d history comparable with own day, even the World Wa given our habitual provi bishness, may seem I doubt if most of the great not obsecured to their co froth and clamor. We th our world, and it is hard any changes going spective, it is certain that as the transition of Eure and fury, a confused I sult is not only int propaganda operate sympathy with China mined; further untow draw us, on the basis due to misunderstanding pean policies which are c

would not have

tions and to our inter