

COTTON ASSOCIATION PLANS FIRST GET BUSY ON THE FOUNDATION

(The Progressive Farmer.)
The American Cotton Association meeting in Montgomery, Ala., last week, was a notable success. A large number of delegates attended from all the cotton states and California. The new areas in Arizona and California. Too many more politicians were on the program, but many really important addresses were delivered and much good work planned.

The most discussed feature of the meeting was the report on California's remarkably successful co-operative marketing work as explained by Aaron Sapiro of that state and his plans for the formation of a great South-wide cotton marketing organization, using the same methods which have brought such increased prosperity to California producers. In that state several years ago, the prune growers, bean growers, and raisin growers acting separately, organized state marketing associations, employing the most capable selling agents to be found. In each case contracts were signed by individual growers, each grower agreeing to sell his product only through his organization for a period of seven years, provided 40 per cent of all the growers signed such an agreement. The necessary number of signers was secured. Then to build the needed warehouses, cleaning and packing establishments, etc., short-time preferred stock was sold to business men, one-seventh of such stock being bought up by the organization each year. The result is that the growers will soon own all the warehouses and other physical property needed for effective marketing of their crops.

The most important result, however, has been that each organization has grown to such proportion as to practically control its market. It cannot, and of course it should not, fix an arbitrarily high price, but it does insure growers against being forced to take anything less than fair prices—prices based on the theory of furnishing the grower of good living plus a profit.

In the opinion of a great proportion of the delegates in Montgomery, the time is ripe for organizing the cotton growers of the South on the California plan. The convention, therefore, created a special committee to take it as a model and work out a general marketing system to be acted on by a special meeting of the association next fall.

Our own conviction is that the California plan offers a superb ideal toward which we ought to work, and that we ought to have such an ideal but that a vast number of neighborhood warehousing and selling associations must be built up before any general South-wide organization can be successfully organized and carried out.

In almost every local market town in the South cotton farmers are suffering from gross evils which can be corrected by the farmers themselves through the simple process of erecting a bonded warehouse and having their cotton officially graded and co-operatively sold. The great work of the Cotton Association, as we see it, should be the active promotion of such local marketing units, holding out at the same time the prospect of a general federation of such units just as soon as the time is ripe for it. In years when cotton is scarce a federation controlling even one-sixth of the South's cotton crop could largely control prices.

The California plan is the capstone of a cotton marketing structure. The local warehousing and marketing associations are the foundation. The thing to do now is to make ready the capstone but also to remember we must first lay a broad and deep foundation in every neighborhood in the South cotton farmers should right now work out plans for properly grading, chassing, warehousing and co-operatively selling their own neighborhood cotton next fall. If only this is largely done, then all these other things will be added unto us.

MR. O. BRADLEY DIES SUDDENLY

Mr. O. Bradley, member of the county board of education and one of the most prominent citizens of the county, died suddenly Monday while driving his automobile near his home in Kipling.
Mr. Bradley was driving his car up a grade in the road and it seems that while turning a curve the car struck a tree, doing the car slight damage. However, it is not probable that his death was caused by this slight accident, as only a couple of scratches were found on his face. He had been suffering with a weak heart and other ailments following a stroke of paralysis some months ago.
Mr. Bradley was found lying near the running board of his machine in an unconscious state. He died a few minutes afterward.
Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock at Chaly's best Springs church, interment being in the churchyard. Thousands of people attended the funeral. Mr. Bradley was one of the most widely known and highly esteemed men in this section.
Revs. J. A. Campbell and Pastor Farmer conducted the services.—Harnett News.

CENSUS BUREAU GIVES COTTON SEED REPORT

Washington, April 19.—The census bureau's cotton seed and cotton products report for the eight months period, August 1 to March 31, announced today showed:
Cotton seed crushed 2,704,978 tons compared with 2,785,626 a year ago, and on hand at mills March 31st, 215,155 tons compared with 306,609 a year ago.
Products manufactured in the eight months and on hand March 31 were:
Crude oil produced 1,118,406,109 pounds compared with 1,052,123 a year ago and on hand 624,808,536 pounds compared with 166,093,376.
Refined oil produced 816,664,592 pounds, compared with 820,898,067, and on hand 348,809,856 pounds, compared with 301,087,328.
Cake and meal produced 1,881,185 tons, compared with 1,839,935, and on hand 247,534 tons, compared with 160,075.

GRAVEL INTERESTS BUY 600 ACRES IN HARNETT

Lillington, April 25.—Large gravel interests have recently closed a deal whereby they have purchased some 600 acres of gravel deposits in and around Lillington, including the plant

LEGAL ADVERTISING

NOTICE.
Having qualified as administrator of the estate of Laura E. Pope, deceased, late of Harnett County, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to file them with the undersigned at his office in Dunn, N. C., on or before the 25th day of March, 1921, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.
This March 22, 1920.
R. L. GODWIN,
Administrator.

NORTH CAROLINA, HARNETT COUNTY.
In the Superior Court,
GEO. TAYLOR
vs.
Order of Publication,
ANNIE TAYLOR.

The defendant above named will take notice that an action entitled as above, has been commenced in the Superior Court of Harnett County to obtain an absolute divorce from the bonds of matrimony; and the said defendant will further take notice that she is required to appear before the Clerk of the Superior Court of said county on Friday, March 26, 1920, at Lillington, N. C., and answer or demur to the complaint in said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in said complaint.
This the 16th day of March, 1920.
A. A. McDONALD,
Clerk of Superior Court,
Harnett County.

NORTH CAROLINA, HARNETT COUNTY.
In the Superior Court,
before the Clerk,
O. R. SIMPSON, Administrator of
E. L. WILLIAMS, Deceased.
vs.
Notice, Service by
Publication.

LILLIE D. SPEARMAN,
G. B. WILLIAMS,
GEORGE WILLIAMS,
FLORA WILLIAMS,
GEORGIA BELLE HARRINGTON,
WALTER WILLIAMS,
CHARLIE WILLIAMS.

The defendants, G. B. Williams, George Williams, Flora Williams, Georgia Belle Harrington, Walter Williams, Charlie Williams, and all other heirs-at-law of R. L. Williams, late of Harnett County will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Harnett County to sell a tract of land belonging to the said R. L. Williams for the purpose of paying an inheritance tax due the State of North Carolina and the said defendants will further take notice that they are required to appear at the term of the Superior Court of said County to be held on the 3rd day of May, 1920, at the court house of said county in Lillington, N. C., and answer or demur to the complaint in said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in said complaint.
A. A. McDONALD,
Clerk of Superior Court.
This the 5th day of April, 1920.

NOTICE OF SALE.
Under and by virtue of the authority contained in a Deed of Trust executed by E. T. Spence, and wife, Katie Clyde Spence, to the undersigned Trustee, and registered in Book 114, Page 285, in the office of the Register of Deeds of Harnett County, the undersigned Trustee will on Monday, the 26th day of April, 1920, at 1 o'clock p. m. offer for sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, at the Court House door in Harnett County, the following described lands, to-wit:

Beginning at a stake in the center of Front Street of the Town of Lillington as extended in westerly direction at a point opposite the north-west corner of land deeded to Mrs. Annie M. Hare by Board of Trustees of the Lillington High School, and runs thence north 71 degrees 35' west 1305 feet to the western line in the Pegram land; thence as the line of said land south 53 degrees 20' west 421 feet to a stake, the original corner of the Geo. W. Pegram 100 acre tract and the A. N. Wadden 76 acre tract; thence north 59 degrees 40' west 254 feet to a stake in the Grady line; thence south 44 degrees 5' west 1011 feet to a stake in the corner of K. Street extended; thence as the center of said Street south 71 degrees 35' E. 1773 feet to a stake, the corner of 5 acre tract deeded to T. L. Bayne, Jr.; thence as the line of that tract north 18 degrees 25' E. 398 feet to a stake; thence S. 71 degrees 35' E. 550 feet to a stake in the line of Mrs. Hare; thence with her line north 18 degrees 25' E. 791.5 feet to the beginning, containing 45 acres, more or less.
This the 23rd day of March, 1920.
J. G. McCORMICK,
Trustee.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Having qualified as administratrix of the estate of Jno. B. Saunders, deceased, late of Harnett County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at Dunn, N. C., on or before the 20th day of April, 1921, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.
MRS. L. E. WILLIAMS,
Administratrix of John B. Saunders.
This the 25th of April, 1920.
Clarence J. Smith, Attorney.
April 26-2t.

and gravel deposits of the Cape Fear Gravel Company, at Lillington. Engineers are now on the ground laying out plans for an up-to-date mining and washing plant with a capacity of 50 cars per day of washed sand and gravel.
This enterprise will mean much to this section of Harnett county and will be of great benefit to the State of North Carolina in furnishing material for roadbuilding and commercial purposes.
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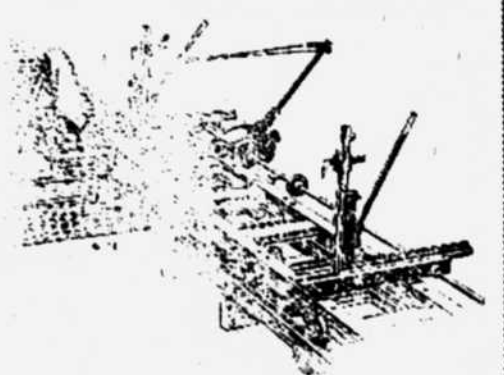
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VIGOROUS PROTEST MADE AGAINST PAYING BONUS
Washington, D. C., April 25.—Henry Breckinridge, assistant Secretary of War during the incandescence of Secretary Garrison and who served in France as a lieutenant-captain of infantry, made public tonight a letter to Chairman of House and Senate committees dealing with the bonus legislation opposing any such proposal.
The bonus proposal is wrong in principle and unsound economically, he said, adding that a bonus would work "injury not a benefit both to the people if it supposed to benefit and to the country."
The worst dark brown taste is the result of too much oil.
People used to rely on God; now they rely on the government to help them out when they get into trouble.

TREND IN COTTON IS STRONGLY LOWER

Liquidation of the Long Interest and Fresh Selling for Short Account
New Orleans, La., April 25.—The general trend in the cotton market last week was strongly lower under liquidation of the long interest and fresh selling for short account, based mainly on the idea that a prolonged reaction from the advance was due, although heavy selling appeared at times, particularly at the middle of the week in sympathy with unfavorable developments in the money market but bulged on unfavorable crop news.
At the highest trading months were 19 to 32 points over the close of the preceding week. From this there was a steady decline until the lowest level were reached on the closing session. Here the market stood at net declines of 285 to 267 points. July traded at its highest at 40.16, a new high level for that position and fell off to 37.62, closing at 37.77. Last prices showed net losses for the week of 220 to 256 points. In the spot department middling closed at 41.00, showing a net loss of 75 points.
This week the market probably will be a weather market more than anything else, although financial conditions are claiming a good deal of attention from most traders. Rains in Texas would be regarded as about the most favorable crop development that could arise at this time, although warm and dry weather in the eastern belt would be a development almost as important.
While at opening of this last week the market acted technically weak, the heavy selling of the succeeding sessions has put it in healthier shape so that it can hardly be expected this week the technical conditions will play so important a part in the trading.



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Terms: 10 per cent cash, 15 per cent November 1st, 1920, 25 per cent November 1st, 1921, balance in equal payments, November 1st, 1922 and November 1st, 1923.

20 Lots on North Extension of Magnolia Ave.

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George L. Connady