Farmers Urged to Remember Cotton

Farmers throughout North Caro- In Wayne county, for example lina's cotton belt are taking a sec. Agricultural Agent G. Mark Go- the cotton belt and the state-wide ond look at cotton, once king of forth, Jr., reports a cotton contest campaign to revive farmer inter-Southern agriculture. And they are finding it a valuable source of al- prizes. most forgotten farm income.

Farm leaders in many counties have started contests to stimulate interest among farmers, realizing to many millions of dollars.

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courage farmers to do better than friends to see to their welfare. ever with their cotton. If we could make an extra half bale per aere our gross income would go up \$874,525," declares Goforth.

Wayne county has 12,327 acres of cotton this year in 2,221 allot-

under way offering substantial est in cotton is simply this: to have every allotted acre planted and G\$ insurance policy. Is there any "We have tried to make the then have the farmers do an exprizes large enough to really en-ceptionally good job growing it.

that the total farm income amounts Improperly Used Fertilizers **Can Hurt Cotton Plant Roots**

Now is the time to help prevent or side roots. those cotton bolls and squares from shedding this summer.

The bolls and squares shed because of a poor root system, says for a poor root system is the imadry. The plants simply do not have proper placement of fertilizer when enough roots to keep going." the cotton is planted.

must depend on the small fibrous soil in the row before bedding.

The side roots are often damaged, too, by farmers cultivating too

"So you see," Dr. Collins added, Dr. Emerson Collins, in charge of "it's not surprising that cotton agronomy extension a N. C. State plants shed some of their bolls and college. One of the main reasons squares when the soil gets a little

The way to correct the situation, When fertilizer is placed direct he said, is to place the fertilizer ly under the seed, Dr. Collins says in two bands, two and a half inches the seed, the young seedlings and to each side and one inch below the tap root of the plant can be the seed. If a farmer does not have damaged. Once the tap root is dam- the equipment for this, he can stir aged or destroyed, the cotton plant the fertilizer thoroughly with the

News For Veterans

whose claims for compensation or pension had been previously denied by the Veterans Administration will now have their claims reviewed, according to Sumner G. Whittier, Administrator of Veter-

These veterans are those whose claims were disallowed by VA after World War II and prior to 1955 for the reason that their claimed disabilities were not shown at the time of their last examination.

The VA for the past several years has been conducting a review for errors in compensation and pension claims allowed after World War II, and veteran organizations had requested a similar review of disallowed cases.

Consequently, a pilot study was ordered in March, 1958, by Mr. Whittier to determine whether a broadened review of disallowed claims was in order. The pilot stu- ed persons, he said. dy was carried on in seven regional offices in widely-separated sections of the nation.

By far the largest source of the comparatively few errors discover- those who have no relatives or close ed was the category "disability not shown at time of last examination." A full review is being ordered of the more than 280,000 disallowed claims in this category.

"Although I was most gratified to learn from the pilot study that the overwhelming majority of cases had been properly adjusted," Mr. Whittier said, "I feel that a broad-ened review is in order as a matter of policy and complete fairness to the veterans involved."

Projecting the finds of the pilot study to the disallowed claims involved in the broadened review indicates as many as 2,000 veteranclaimants might be found eligible

More than 280,000 veterans | for monetary awards, he explained.

Compansionship of volunteers from the community is helping give Veterans Administration medical care for disabled veterans another dimension beyond hospital walls, VA said.

Dr. Roy A. Wolford, VA deputy chief medical director in Washington, D. C., said companionship services by volunteers for patients discharged from the hospital are enabling many chronically disabled veterans to live at home instead of on VA hospital wards.

Combining some of the aspects of social work and of recreation therapy, these followup services are a means of meeting basic needs for love, attention, and security, Dr. Wolford explained.

Neglect of these needs can cause emotional difficulties or aggravate physical illness in disabled and ag-

Dr. Wolford said companionship services are used for veterans with a wide range of physical and emotional disorders, and especially for



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A volunteer at the Phoenix, Ariz., VA hospital, for example, has been visiting former patients who have considerable loss of hearing or sight, who are paralyzed, who have mental deterioration, or who because of various diseases have lost Goal of the contests throughout the ability to speak or write.

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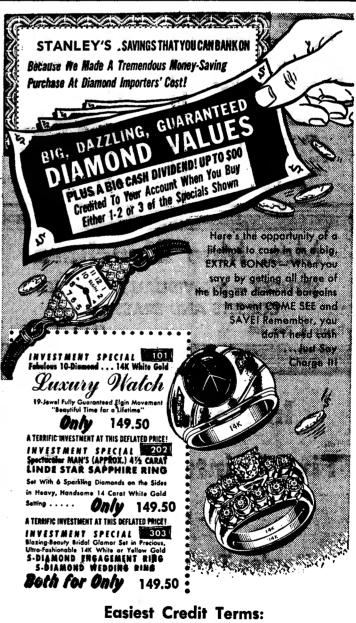
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