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Cotton Mills Are Spending Hundred Million Yearly

Cotton mills in the United States are currently spending over 100 million dollars a year on modernization of equipment, expansion, renovation and new building, according to an estimate from the Cotton Mills Information Service.

Estimates based on the number of active spindles indicate that \$21,000,000 will be spent by the mills of North Carolina and a total of \$80,000,000 in the South Atlantic states during 1946.

A large part of the new investment being made in the cotton mills throughout the nation will be in the form of new equipment. A check of textile machinery manufacturers indicates that a minimum of 50,000,000 worth of new machinery will be installed in the cotton mills each year for the next four to five years. The figure is based on orders already on the books.

Estimates of the total needs of the cotton mills following the war period, during which more cotton textiles were turned out than ever before, run as high as \$500,000,000 to \$500,000,000.

One of the reasons for the huge total investment contemplated is, of course, the fact that few replacements and only essential repairs were made in machinery during the war although the mills were operating at peak capacity. Another reason is that the mills are seeking the latest type of machinery in order to compete effectively with the low wage production of foreign countries. Wage rates in the cotton mills in this country have approximately doubled

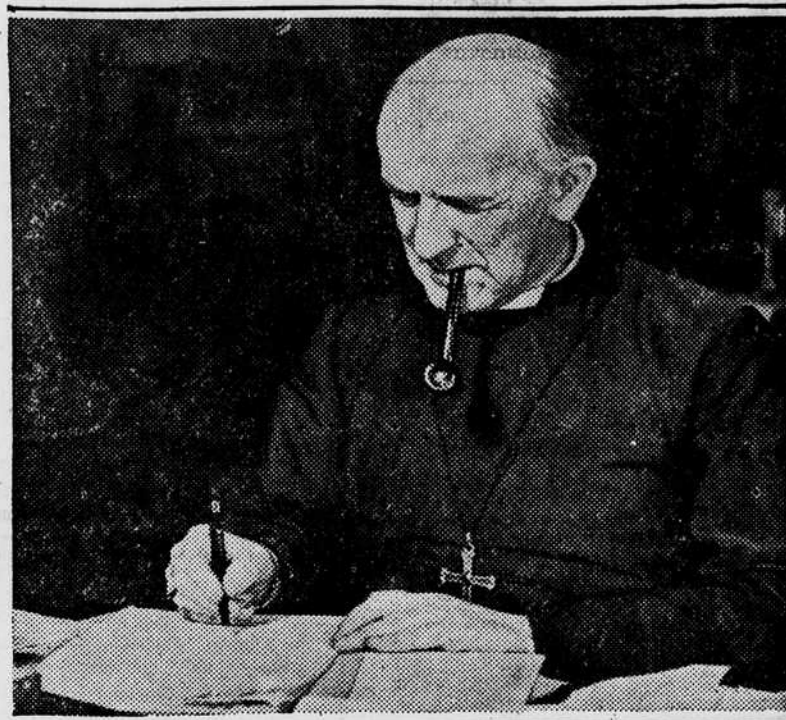
Corn Borer Is Putting On A Blitz

A saving of thousands of dollars a year in Tarheel farmers future corn crops is evident as the result of one of the most interesting and valuable biological studies to be released for many years with the recent announcement by C. H. Brannon, Entomology Chief of the N. C. Department of Agriculture, that an imported insect parasite found by the U. S. Bureau of Entomology will destroy the larvae of the European corn borer before they have had time to develop into the destructive and voracious adult stage.

For many years agricultural research entomologists and biologists have been concerned with the discovery of certain species of insects which would prey upon and destroy insect pests and at the same time be harmless in themselves and capable of economic good. Some insects were found which would do this work. Many of these, however, have been economically unprofitable as the percentage of the pest destroyed has been too low. Many others were

ed since 1940.

A further reason is that textile machinery research has developed new equipment which is only beginning to become available.



The Most Reverend and Right Honorable Geoffrey Francis Fisher, D. D., Archbishop of Canterbury, Primate of All England and Metropolitan, is now in the United States, attending sessions of the General Convention of the Episcopal Church, meeting in Philadelphia. The Archbishop is being entertained by various Church and educational organizations, in Philadelphia, New York, Princeton, Washington, Boston and elsewhere. The Archbishop is the 98th Archbishop of Canterbury. In the history of the Episcopal Church in the United States, this is but the second time an archbishop of Canterbury has visited its General Convention.

Dr. Jekylls and Mr. Hydes with dual personalities — or appetites as the case may be. They would grow tired of the insects which they were supposed to destroy and eat beneficial species instead.

Not so, however, with these imported insects which have made such a record for themselves in

record of killing from 25 to 50 per cent of the larvae of the European corn borer and it is expected that they will be able to save thousands of corn dollars for Tarheel farmers in the immediate future.

The Camden County experiments were conducted by D.W. Jones of the Moorestown, New Jersey, laboratory of the Agricultural Research Administration of the U. S. D. A., who says, according to Mr. Brannon, that the new and beneficial parasite is now well established in Camden County and will continue to prove economically effective.

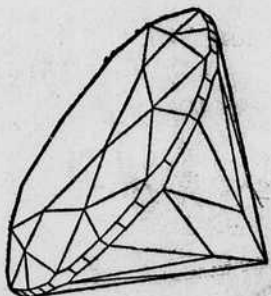
Murray President Of Student Body

Union Theological Seminary, Richmond, opened its one hundred and thirty-fifth session on September 11 with a convocation in Watts Chapel. Forty five new students were enrolled, including thirty veterans of military service. John E. Murray of Roanoke Rapids, a rising senior, is president of the Seminary student body. Murray served during the past summer as assistant pastor of Tabb Street Presbyterian Church, Petersburg.

Mrs. Jimmie Cox has accepted a position as Technician at the Roanoke Rapids Hospital. Mrs. Cox has just returned from four months visit in New York City.

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