

More Care Must Go Into Cotton Ginning

Growers Urged to Carry Out Best Harvesting Practices

The dog-eared, trashy looking bale of cotton must go if cotton is to compete successfully with synthetic fibers, many Carolina ginners believe.

Clyde E. Upchurch, Jr., of Raeford, vice-president of the Carolinas Ginners Association, said last week that cotton ginners are becoming more and more conscious of the necessity of turning out a properly ginned and packaged product.

The North Carolina Cotton Quality Improvement Committee, of which Upchurch is a member, was recently formed to encourage the production of highest quality cotton in North Carolina.

The first step toward improving the quality of cotton must necessarily be taken by the cotton producers, according to Upchurch.

He said growers must be encouraged to carry out the best harvesting practices. "Carelessly and improperly harvested cotton cannot be ginned with results equal to those obtained with cotton which has been properly harvested," he said.

After cotton arrives at the gin, it is then up to the ginner to examine each lot of seed cotton carefully to determine the proper amount of machinery and heat needed to do the best possible ginning job. It is also a major responsibility of the gin operator to keep his yard and buildings clear of tar spots, grease spots, lint fly, loose motes and other foreign matter that could damage the cotton.

Nothing is more perilous to men than a sudden change of fortune.
—Quintilian.

Commissioners' Proceedings

The County Commissioners met Thursday, September 2, with a full board present. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved and the following bills ordered paid:

M. L. Bunch, bill and services, \$110.50; Commercial Printing Co., bill, \$12.76; Twiddy Insurance & Real Estate Co., September rent for Joseph Rogers, Department Revenue, \$15.00; Town of Edenton, E. L. & W. Department, \$38.19; The Norfolk & Carolina

Telephone & Telegraph Co., Clerk Superior Court office, \$11.90; Edenton Ice Co., Inc., bill, \$3.80; Burkhead-Devane Printing Co., bill, \$5.62; State of N. C. Department of Conservation and Development, \$85.36; Burroughs Corporation, bill, \$18.00; State Commission for the Blind, \$88.05; Coastal Office Equipment Co., bill, \$1.45; E. W. Spires, salary and bills, \$325.65; Mitchell Printing Co., bill, \$9.41; Hughes-Parker Hardware Co., bill, \$2.58; Herman White, Jailor, bill for care of prisoners, \$505.20; J. A. Bunch, Sheriff, salary and bills, \$470.09; P & Q Super Market, bill, \$10.00; Basnight Grocery, for L. Etheridge, \$18.84; Chowan Hospital, Inc., bill for 7 indigent patients, \$603.00; Edenton Junior-Senior High School, John A. Holmes, Superintendent, \$3,000.00; The Bank of Edenton, school building coupons, \$127.81; Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond, Federal Income Tax withheld county employees for July, 1954, \$266.80; Chowan Hospital, Inc., payment on account of Ida T. White \$9.00; Miss Lizzie Jordan, general assistance for George Jordan, \$15.00; The Eastern North Carolina sanatorium, Lloyd Moring, August 1 to September 1, 1954, \$37.55; Habit's Grocery, bill authorized by Welfare Department, \$40.00; Kennan & Corey

Plumbing Co., Inc., bill, \$10.11; The Chowan Herald, bill, \$277.75; Herbert Small, rent, \$50.00; Mrs. Lois Ashley, postage, Welfare Department, \$10.00; Norfolk & Carolina Telephone & Telegraph Co., Welfare Department, \$5.65; Mrs. Carolyn C. McMullan, travel, \$42.42; William Alexander, janitor, \$3c; Jackson's Radio Service, \$1.50; The Blind Aid to R. W. Harris was terminated August, 1954, due to death; The Norfolk & Carolina Telephone & Telegraph Co., J. B. Small office, \$4.25; C. W. Overman, telephone bill, \$15.90; Hattie Singletary, telephone bill, \$6.75.

By motion of W. E. Bond, seconded by J. R. Peele that the County grant the American Legion permission to have a carnival, tax free, during the County Fair September, 1954.

By motion of C. J. Hollowell, seconded by J. R. Peele, that the chairman to Board County Commissioners be authorized to pay school bonds due September 15, 1954 in the amount of \$177.50, and due October 1, 1954 in the amount of \$4,862.13.

By motion of W. E. Bond, seconded by C. J. Hollowell that W. W. Byrum, chairman be authorized to transfer \$3,000 from the general fund to the school fund; said amount to be repaid from the taxes collected under the

1954-1955 levy of the Edenton school fund.

The following reports were accepted and ordered filed: Treasurer; letter from State Highway & Public Works Commission, advising the approval of addition to County Highway System, 1.8 miles known as Woodard Lane road; Sheriff, J. A. Bunch; Cho-

wan County Welfare Board; Hattie Singletary, home agent; Clara Mason, assistant home agent; C. W. Overman, county agent; J. B. Small, colored county agent; Onnie S. Charlton, colored home agent.


There being no further business the Board voted to adjourn the meeting. M. L. BUNCH, Clerk to Board.

That's Why

"Pardon me sir," said the hotel clerk. "Would you mind telling me your name?"

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