COMMUNITY PRODUCTION OF COTTON

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We plough the fields, and scatter
The good seeds on the land,
But it is fed and watered
By God's almighty hand.

In several of our recent articles we have emphasized the importance of soil building and the use of good seed.

The advocacy, over and over again, of such fundamentals would be wholly unnecessary if farmers generally and these business men and town and city farmers who own large plantations and control large numbers of tenant farmers would only apply what they know to be the best methods to their farming operations.

Of course there are difficulties to be overcome whenever an attempt is made to make any changes in customs and habits of a people, including our own. However, a decided change in this sort is going to be necessary either at their production or marketing end, before the farmer will receive his fair share of dollars produced.

The agricultural section and all business is dependent to a considerable degree upon the net profits earned by these who produce our crops — usually spoken of as money-crops—cotton, tobacco and peanuts.

Inasmuch as cotton is not only King, but Queen and the whole Royal Family besides, in many counties in the Carolinas and to some extent also in a few Virginia counties, it is not too early to begin planning for next seasons crop.

If you are going to plant cotton next year or if you are dependent upon cotton money for your living or a part of your living, and there are many such in the South, ask your county agent, your congressman, or the United States Department of Agriculture for a a copy of Un ited States Department of Agriculture Farmers' bulletin No. 1984, "Community Cotton Production."

Study this bulletin and try to interest your County Board of Agriculture if you have one, your county agent or your bankers, time merchants and other controlling factors, to influence and bring about as possible the changes recommended by the scientists connected with the Bureau of Plant Industry who prepared this study of community cotton production. By Community production is meant the growing of only one variety in each community or district.

"An adequate supply of pure planting seed of standard cotton varieties is the fundamental requirement of the American cotton industry, to re - place the mixed 'gin-run' stocks now generally grown."

"By the simple expedient of planting only one variety of cotton in a community, it is possible to eliminate the chief causes of deterioration of seed stocks and at the same time to open the way to many other improvements. Organized communities o f cotton growers can utilize to the greatest advantage the superior varieties of cotton that have been bred or acclimatized from foreign counties and the more effective cultural methods that have been devised for boll-weevil conditions."

"The quality of pure cottonseed now available is an extremely small fraction of what is required for planting purposes. Approximately 500,000 tons of seed are needed every year to plant the cotton acreage of the United States, and of this quantity it has been estimated that only 30 per cent is supplied through commercial channels, while 70 percent is raised on the farms where used.

It is well known that much of the commercial seed is not pure, but of ordinary gin-run quality, often no better than the seed that the farmer would get from the local public gin. Thus it can be seen that the lack of pure seed is general and is responsible for enormous industrial and economic wastes through the production of inferior fiber and the manufacture of weak and perishable fabrics.

The underlying cause of this chronic deficiency is the general condition of unorganized production, with different varieties of cotton planted in neighboring fields and taken to the same gins, so that it is out of the question to keep the seed pure. The gins mix the different kinds of seed, crossing takes place in the fields, and the varieties are mongrelized and ceases to be uniform. The fiber deteriorates in quality as the mixing of seed goes on, and the yields gradually decline because many of the plants are sterile or the seeds are only sparsely covered with lint, which farmers take as a sign that the stock has "run-out'."

(To Be continued next week)

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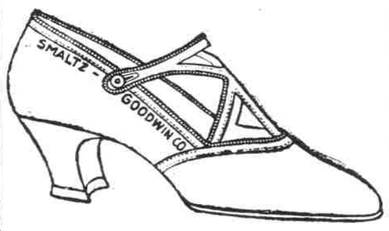

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