

MUCH GOOD BEING DONE.

Farmers' Union Is Doing Great Things For Agricultural Interests.

The Farmers' Union is accomplishing great good for our agricultural interests. Business men of sound judgment and conservative principles are no longer fighting us. They concede to the farmer the right to be organized as well as any other class. We are proving to the world that we are not a destructive but a constructive force. Our organization stands for better roads, schools churches and citizenship as well as for material benefits arising from better farming, co-operative marketing and buying.

Three very important measures which are now receiving attention at our hands are:

Plan 1: To reduce the 1912 cotton acreage. Blanks are being prepared for signatures of farmers who agree to plant one acre in food crops for each acre in cotton this year. Mass meetings of farmers were called to meet in each county courthouse on Saturday, 12 o'clock, Feb. 17th to sign pledges and devise plan to get blanks circulated throughout each county.

Plan 2: To request fertilizer companies to make fertilizer notes due in two equal payments—one half December 1, 1912; one half May 1 1913. This arrangement will have a tendency to hold up price of cotton and not force the bulk of the crop on the market early in fall. It will give an opportunity to market over larger period. It takes 12 months to make the crop and it is suicidal to dump it all on the market in three weeks.

Plan 3: To establish a Central Warehouse for handling farm products and fertilizers. We will import fertilizer materials and ship out in mixed car lots. This will also enable us to ship cotton direct to manufacturer, and thereby eliminate the needless expense of so many middlemen, whose expense the farmer is paying.

These are some of the plans outlined and which we hope to successfully carry into operation. We invite co-operation of all parties interested. We don't see how any farmer can oppose these measures and fight an organization of his own class, which is trying to build up agricultural interests.

Merchants should belong to the merchants association, lawyers to bar association, farmers to farmer's association (Farmers' Union). If not, why not? In union there is strength.

J. B. RIVES,
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Sanford N. C.

Republicans Will Banquet.

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 12.—The banquet planned for February 23 by State Charman John M. Morehead to Republican leaders of North Carolina will take in the arena of Raleigh's new auditorium. This information was received here today in a letter from State Charman Morehead.

The Republican State executive committee will meet in Raleigh on that date for the purpose of selecting time and place for holding the Republican state convention which is to be held either in Raleigh Greens or Charlotte.

The second quarterly conference of the M. E. church for this circuit will be held at Davis Chapel church, five miles east of Danbury, Saturday and Sunday, March 2nd and 3rd. Presiding Elder Taylor, of Mt. Airy, will be present on both days.

Fewer people would jump at conclusions if they could see their finish.

CERTIFICATES OF MERIT.

Awarded To Three Stokes County Boys, Members of Stokes Boys' Corn Club.

Handsome certificates of merit with the great seal of the State on them and signed by the Governor, the State Supt. of Schools, the Commissioner of Agriculture, the Secretary of State, the County Supt. of Schools and the Special Agent of the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture have been awarded to three Stokes county boys, members of the State's Boys' Corn Club, on account of their success in corn growing. The young men's names and the amount of corn grown by each are as follows:

Joe Blancett, of Peters' Creek Route No. 1, grew 91.5 bushels to the acre.

Isaac Neal, of Walnut Cove Route 5, grew 81 bushels to the acre.

Robert Frans, of Brim Route 1, grew 77 bushels to the arce.

While these young men failed to get any of the cash prizes offered by the State they did well, when it is taken into consideration that this was their first effort and that they were contesting with the entire State.

Sub-soiling by High Explosives.

In the last agricultural issue of the Scientific American we described the many uses to which high explosives are being put on the farm. Among these, mention was made of the use of dynamite for loosening up the sub-soil and so permitting the crops to root themselves more deeply, and reach those lower strata which are untouched by the ordinary methods of cultivation by the plow and the harrow. At the present writing it would seem that, among the many improvements which mark the new agriculture, this is destined to hold a position of ever-increasing importance. Practised first, we believe, by a Southern farmer, the method of plowing with a stick of dynamite showed such immediate and surprising results that the question of its extension was merely one of publicity. The increase in the crops, resulting from what might be called high-explosive plowing, was so immediate, so large, and what is most important of all, was so out of proportion to the cost of powder, that there was every inducement for the manufacturers to start a campaign of education among the farmers and present to them certain well-established facts as to what had been accomplished. We have secured from one of the half dozen or more manufacturers who are giving special attention to this matter a statement of the amount of high explosive which they have supplied the farmers during the past five years. Starting with half a million pounds in 1908, there was an increase in the sales of fifty per cent in 1909. In the following years the total amount disposed of has annually doubled; and the indications for the present year are that the total amount which will be shipped to the farmers by this one concern will be about five million pounds.—Scientific American.

A Big Sale.

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