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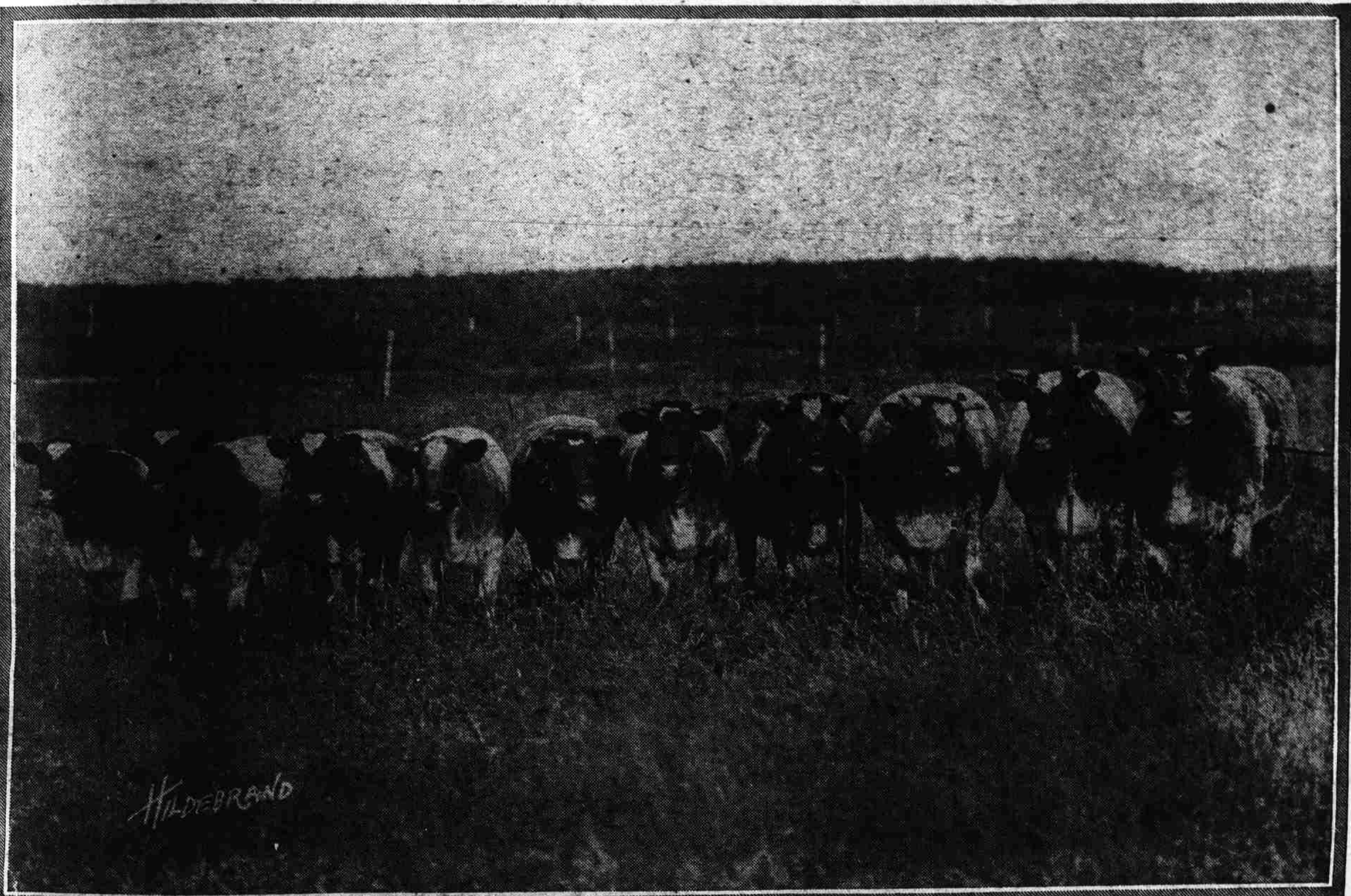
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SOUTHEAST BECOMING A LIVESTOCK SECTION



TEN DAUGHTERS OF A GREAT SOUTHERN SHORTHORN BULL

ELSEWHERE in this issue Mr. W. W. Shay presents the inquiry, Will the "Hog Belt" move South? He then answers that peanuts cheaper corn, soy beans, fish meal and our long growing seasons for hog pastures will certainly do the moving. The boll weevil, as Mr. Shay aptly remarks, doesn't simply "advocate" diversification or "recommend" it; he COMPELS it.

The result is undoubtedly going to be a big boost for all forms of the livestock industry in our Southeastern states. Even before the boll weevil came, the Carolinas, Virginia and Georgia were making remarkable progress in cattle and hog raising, and

Numbers of Livestock (in thousands), 1917. and 1920.

(Asterisks denote decrease.)

	HORSES		MULES		MILK COWS		OTHER CATTLE		HOGS		SHEEP	
	1917	1920	1917	1920	1917	1920	1917	1920	1917	1920	1917	1920
Va.	361	362	64	65	373	437	486	578	1023	1127	686	714
N. C.	*185	183	205	236	315	328	364	394	1450	1592	140	144
S. C.	*85	80	174	206	187	211	215	249	920	1088	*30	27
Ga.	127	132	324	351	418	461	686	771	2585	3165	*150	125
Fla.	60	60	31	40	141	156	865	945	1100	1588	*119	107
Tenn.	350	353	270	278	366	384	528	593	1485	1946	*600	584
Ala.	150	158	278	316	405	502	534	842	1850	2201	121	137
Miss.	243	261	292	322	475	571	575	716	1698	2396	*193	175
La.	195	215	139	166	300	378	525	725	*1584	1512	*240	230
Tex.	*1200	1199	*800	784	*1175	1138	*5482	4458	*3229	2356	2328	2790
Okla.	*730	729	276	288	535	550	1300	1300	*1325	943	104	131
Ark.*	*270	266	255	324	405	452	560	691	1550	1586	124	201
U. S.	21,210	21,109	4,723	4,993	22,894	23,747	41,689	44,485	67,503	72,909	47,616	48,615

their cotton-growing sections will go forward even faster from now on.

In this connection, we present the following striking table showing the increases or decreases (by thousands) in numbers of livestock in each Southern state from January 1, 1917, to January 1, 1920. Of course, the fearful drouth in Texas explains the decreases in cattle and hogs shown in that state, but all the South, east of the Mississippi River, shows a really astounding development, especially in hogs. In view of the fine speed we are already making, and with the boll weevil putting spurs to us for still greater speed, the South is indeed fast becoming a livestock section.