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TSN'T it strange that so many farmers are perfectly willing to pay any price that dealers may ask for commercial fertilizers! They just go ahead and to SH order whatever they need and pay whatever the market says-and yet if

y dollars or \$100 spent for clover seed now will be worth more * to \$100 spent for nitrate of soda next spring. In nitrogen and Ashed to our soil the clover will pay us better; and all winter long

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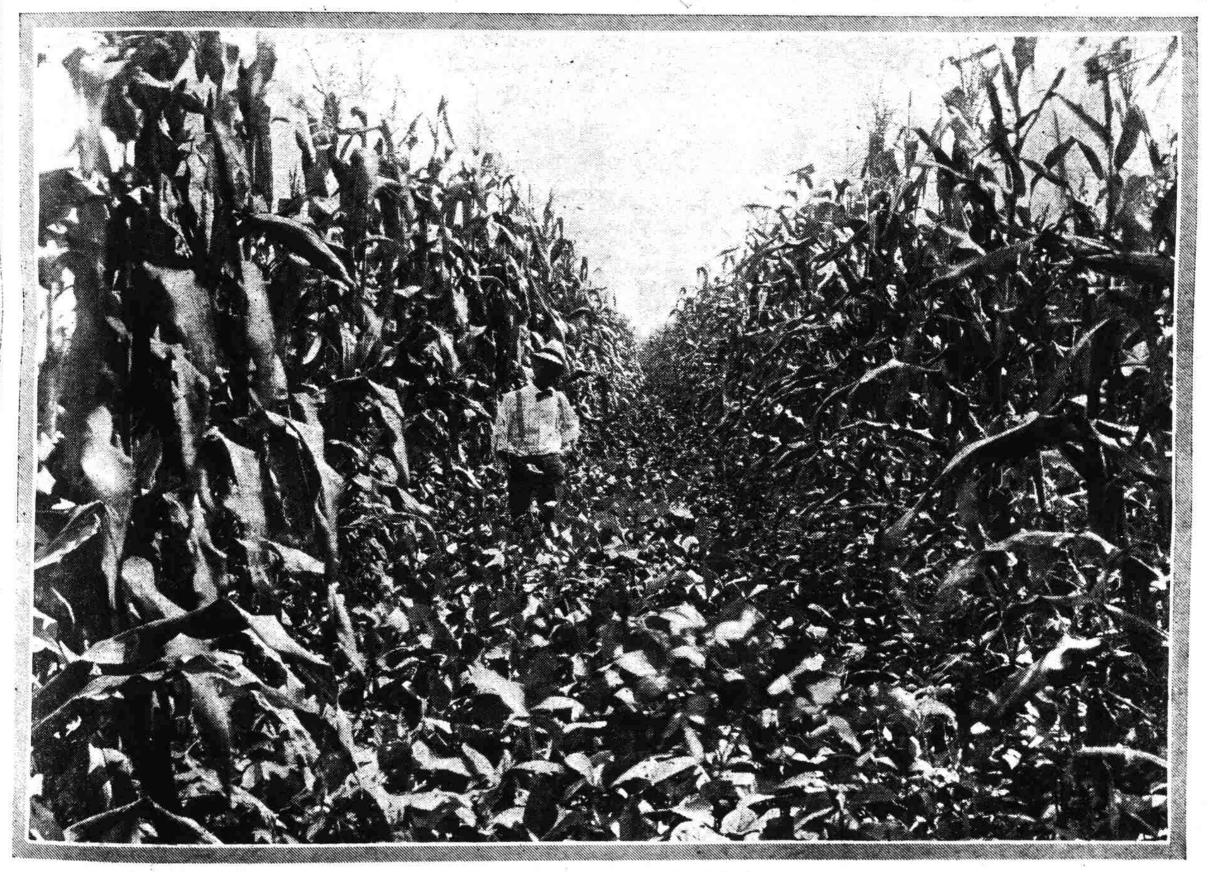
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Corn and Cowpeas Following Leguminous Cover Crop.

clover seed or rye advances a few cents a bushel, these same people put on a long face and say they "can't afford to buy clover seed or rye this year!"

The Progressive Farmer believes in the liberal use of commercial fertilizers. Labor is too costly to waste on land which will yield only one-third of a bale of cotton per acre or twenty bushels of corn per acre. We must cultivate none but productive soils, and wherever it takes commercial fertilizers to make them produce, let's use fertilizer and plenty of it-of the right kind.

At the same time, however, let's be always on the lookout to get our fertility as cheaply as possible. And there is no doubt about it that we can buy our nitrogen cheaper from a seedsman in the fall than from a fertilizer dealer in we will also have the pleasure of looking at "sweet fields arrayed in living green," growing in richness all the time instead of looking at bare, bleak and desolate fields from which the fertility is steadily leaching out.

When the ground is dry a considerable amount of feed can be secured by allowing the stock to graze the clover. This is just another point to be counted when comparing the value of fertilizer bought in the seed with that bought in the sack.

We ought not to be too stingy to buy fertility, but neither should we be too stingy to buy clover seed and grow fertility at home. There is no dealer's or manufacturer's profit to pay on this home-raised fertility because there is no dealer at all and the Lord is the manufacturer.

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