

Cotton Classing Ginners Listed In This County

Careful Marketing and Ginning Can Mean \$15 to \$35 A Bale

Martin county cotton farmers who want to keep up with the marketing picture can receive the market news service and official classing of their cotton again this year from the U. S. Department of Agriculture's Cotton Branch.

Growers will find it to their advantage to get an official government classing on each bale it is ginned. The USDA "green card" classing not only shows the grade and staple length of each bale, but tells both ginner and producer when a bale has been reduced in grade because of rough ginning preparation.

County agent Brandon listed the following ginners in this county who as of September 22, had bonded samplers on duty to draw samples on request by growers, and who will submit samples to USDA for the free and official classing service: Taylor Mill and Gin, Robersonville; Johnson Gin, Oak City, and Hassell Gin Co., Hassell.

Turning again to the problem of rough ginning preparation, County Agent Brandon pointed out that it may result from either



Col. Tom London, and Joseph Crehan, as President Grant, give buckskin clad Don Barry an important assignment in Lipfert Productions "Red Desert," gun-blazing outdoor drama showing Saturday at the Watts Theatre.

hauling excessively damp, wet, or green seed cotton to the gin, or to improper operation of ginning machinery. Roughly ginned cotton, he said, may reduce the market value of a bale as much as from \$15 to \$35.

The county agent pointed out that the higher the prices for average qualities of cotton, the greater premiums the higher grades and longer staple lengths should bring. Farmers who have their samples classed, he explained, should be in a favorable bargaining position when marketing their cotton, since they will know the official grade and staple length of each bale, and—with market news service—how much it should bring.

With the prices prevailing this season, farmers are selling much of their cotton soon after ginning. However, Brandon pointed out farmers will find it to their advantage to obtain an official government class on each bale, even

though they sell it immediately after it is ginned—first, to serve as a check on each sale made, and second, to give them an official record on each bale.

Pointing out the value and importance of USDA's "green card" classing, County Agent Brandon explained that the official classing record will show the grower how uniform his staple lengths are, thus giving him a check on the performance of his planting seed. When staple lengths of any of the usual varieties grown in Martin County fall below one inch, it's an indication that planting seed need to be replaced, he pointed out.

The chief function of USDA's classing and market news service, he declared, is to assist farmers in obtaining the full market value of their cotton.

Service Centers Reject Thousands

The Army rejected 100,413 of the 207,038 men examined for the draft in August. This 48.5 per cent rejection rate compares with 52.2 per cent in July, when only 12,281 were given preinduction tests. In August, 20.1 per cent failed to pass the physical examination, as compared with 26.8 per cent in July. The number failing to pass the intelligence test increased from 15.2 per cent in July to 17.6 in August.

State College chemists say that the smart housewife who serves her family sweet potatoes gives them two-thirds of the adult daily requirements of both vitamin A and C in one average serving.

Famed B'way Cast Plan Exams For In Technicolor Pic Training Program

The singers and the dancers come into their own in Warner Bros. "Tea For Two," the romantic musical with a cast of the brightest young players in years.

In the Technicolor film, due at the Viccar Theatre on Sunday are stars Doris Day and Gordon MacRae, both of whom sing and dance in the film. For Doris it's the first dancing she's done since she was hurt in an auto accident at 16. At that time she gave up a dancing career to become a vocalist, at which she's done pretty well, too. Gordon, primarily a singer, continues some of the terpsichorean stuff he started in "The Daughter of Rosie O'Grady," in which he co-starred with June Haver.

Two newcomers to films but veterans of Broadway are Patricia Wynmore and Virginia Gibson, tall reared born on the banks of the Mississippi at St. Louis.

"Tea For Two" is the story of a group of show people during the Wall Street panic, looking for someone to finance their musical production. How they set about this task makes for one of the liveliest, tune-filled films this season, it is reported.

Competitive examinations to select approximately 1,600 young men for the Naval Reserve Officers' Training Corps will be held on December 9, 1950. High school seniors and graduates between the ages of 17 and 21 years are eligible to apply for places in the program.

The successful candidates are given a four-year college education at government expense, plus a \$50 per month expense allowance. Once in the program, the student is obligated to participate in naval drills and cruises and to serve two years on active duty after graduation. Those enrolled in the program will be deferred from induction.

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