

## MAIN CITIES FIGURES IN CO-OP-FCX BATTLE

M. G. Mann, general manager of the N. C. Cotton Growers Cooperative Association and the Farmers Cooperative Exchange, said today that figures used in relating the operation of the Cotton Association last year by Representative Henry Fisher of Buncombe in his statement regarding his newly proposed substitute bill were a misstatement of facts.

"The statement to the newspapers also infers that the Farmers Cooperative Exchange and the N. C. Cotton Growers Cooperative Association are not pure cooperatives," Mann continued. "Our books are open to any authorized state agency to determine whether the Farmers Cooperative Exchange and the N. C. Cotton Growers Cooperative Association are pure cooperative organizations or not."

Mann stated that the certified statement of a reputable accounting firm published last fall in the Annual Report and published last week in advertisement shows that the net savings of the N. C. Cotton Growers Association totaled \$45,871.20 for the year ending June 30, 1948. The \$606,516.20 represented by Mr. Fisher in his statements for profits last year and kept for expansion purposes is the reserve fund which has been accumulated over a period of years. During the

24 years of the N. C. Cotton Growers Cooperative Association's history the directors have ordered the reserves refunded on two occasions. In 1927 the members were refunded more than \$600,000.00 and in 1935 more than \$175,000.00. Mann continued:

"The certified public audit of the Farmers Cooperative Exchange showed that there was a net margin of \$352,443.45; that of the amount \$301,835.20 was sent back to the patrons as patronage dividends, that \$45,531.33 was paid back in cash dividends on the capital stock and only \$5,029.01 added to undistributed earnings.

"The North Carolina Cotton Growers Cooperative Marketing Association does nothing but market cotton for its members, and out of a volume of \$5,472,982.00 it has a net savings of only \$45,851.20 and every dollar of this reserve has been allocated to the members on a per bale basis and will be paid to the members when the ten-farmer-directors elected by the members to manage their business for them vote to do so as they did in 1927 and 1935.

"It has also been represented by others that the Cotton Cooperative Marketing Association goes out and buys cotton on the open market. This, again, is not true.

"Every bale of cotton handled by the Association is placed, first, in a bonded warehouse where samples are drawn by licensed operators and sent to a modern classing room where they are graded and stapled by government-licensed classers and the farmer is then advised the grade and staple of his cotton, and the day he is ready to sell, the Association quotes the price it can obtain for the farmer by selling direct to the mills and then the farmer has a right to ask for a price on the local market and if the price on the local market is as much or more than the Association offers, he can take his identical cotton from the warehouse and sell it to the local buyer and does not owe the Association a penny.

"Today, North Carolina cotton farmers have placed with the Association cotton with a value of more than two million dollars on which they have not drawn one penny advance. This, along with other cotton, on which advances have been made is subject to their order to sell after obtaining a price from the Association and trying to equal or better that price on the local market."

### State College Hints To Homemakers

To make work easier on your washing and ironing days, try using

two ironing board covers. Use one for dark and colored clothing and the other one for white things. That way you'll be taking no chances of colored stains on freshly washed white things.

Use a whisk broom, kept for the purpose, and hot water to sprinkle clothes. They will be more evenly dampened than when sprinkled by hand.

When you wash your rag rugs, use a light starch. Wash them in rich, warm suds. After a thorough rinsing, dip the rugs into a light starch solution which will give the rugs more body and help keep them flat on the floor.

A soak in time saves dish-washing time. Many dishes will wash more quickly if filled with water immediately after using. The exception is any iron vessel which might rust if soaked too long.

A time-saver — a small aluminum pan filled with hot soda water, near the dishpan, put into it any silver, tarnished with egg or other food.

### State College Answers Farm Questions

Q. What factors cause the highest percentage of pig losses?

A. Over half of losses due to improper housing; 15% are overlaid, 5.2% are born dead; 3% are chilled; 2.2% are born weak, and 1.5% are starved. These figures do not include all of the loss percentages, but will give you some idea of the pig deaths.

Q. What controls are effective against insects infesting cereal, and



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other stored products? A. All food products, such as cereal and flour, should be stored in tight containers. Food known to be infested with insects should be immediately destroyed. Remove all food and spray surfaces of all shelves and bins with 5% DDT in deodorized kerosene. If food is to come in direct contact with surfaces, wait several days then thoroughly scrub surfaces with soapy water before replacing food.

### MAYSVILLE NEWS

Among those attending the Beagle Field Day at New Bern Monday were: DeLear Joyner, Glanton Holland, James King, and Gordon

Merritt. Miss Ruby Nichols of Richmond, Va., spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Nicholson. They visited Charles Nicholson in Kenansville Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Homer Brock of Mt. Olive visited Mr. and Mrs. John King Sunday. Miss Velma Hollowell of Mt. Olive spent the week end with Miss Dorothy Southerland. Mrs. Nora Hollowell of Mt. Olive spent the week end with her sister, Mrs. N. B. Best.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Williams of B. F. Grady community, spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Ada Williams who has been ill for the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Davis visited Mr. and Mrs. Ulysess Swinson on

Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. James Brock visited Mr. Wilkin Williams in Goldsboro last Thursday. Mr. Wilkin Williams is seriously ill. Mrs. Mildred Matthews of Rocky Mount spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Britt. Mr. Ed Jarvis was on the sick list last week.

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