# TEXTILE OUTLOOK BRIGHT LOCALLY

Shelby Textile Executives Keep Their plants Going. All Look For Better Business in Future.

(Renn Drum in Charlotte News Tex-

The vision and loyalty of textile n in Cleveland countyand surroundsection throughout the past year perhaps more than any one growth of Shelby during any other year in the history of the pite the fact that during the 12 months the textile situation heen one of depression, this coungeneral way hardly felt the "hard times," and now that situation is "perking up" those not more connected with production enthused over the improving outok for the manufacturers who susss in keeping their wheels. minning and their employes on a full working basis in order that the dewould not be felt generally.

New Cotton Mill. There is not a vestige of doubt but y textile concern in the secen losing money recently. but the loss was confined to the manfacturer and not employe or comnity. Their ability to "weather" the months has served as a tonic to mill men themselves. The result is textile plant, to be erected by Jno. R Dover and associates; another large is making a \$100,000 addition, ad still another constructing a new wer dam, while many improvements of lesser importance are being made practically every mill in the Shelby

Although they do not voice their optimism for future business to any extent the improvements and new plant speak loud enough for the outled back here.

Busy at Dover.

The Shelby textile situation is alst summed up by John R. Dover, who divides his interest between his textile plants, welfare work and his rch. The three mills which he heads tside," "The Dover" and "Kathperiod of depression. Although orders were scare for proests from the 11,000-spindle sateen plant at Eastside and the 11,500-spinpecialty plant at Dover, not a sinwas cut-no employe had fight the wolf" other than on his egular job. Needless to say everyhums around the Dover chain and within some months the new million dollar "Ora" will add to hum. Mr. Dover, who has just rened from consultation with busirepresentatives in New York : "Business has been more active ecent weeks than in some time, and ractically every one I talked with in York was optimistic over the out business. The conhave in the future may be in the new mill." The McMurrys, J. J., and sons: A.

I. and S. A., who control the Belmont all and are interested with the Royss in the Double Shoals plant, look for considerably better business in the comming months. With the exception of a short curtailment in the summer the Belmont has been and is, running full time, and no wage cuts have been

Full-Time Basis.

At the Shelby Cot on mills, the lown's largest plant of 20,000 spindles, everything is on a full time basis, and there have been no wage cuts. R. T. LeGrand, superintendent of the mills of which the the late Joe C. Smith: was secretary, says "that all indications are for an increasing business and a better run of orders." The view of those behind the big plant for future business may be seen in the \$100,000 addition and improvement now being made:

The Schencks, major factors in the Peration of the Lily Mill & Power any here and the Cleveland Mill and Power company at Lawndale also a steady improvement on the texmarket. The two plants are also a full time basis, and have made age cuts-and moreover, to the ght of their employes they say anticipate doing "The improvement in the textile ation," they say, "can be felt algh as yet it is of a minor nature steady in the increase." At Lawnpower center, the Schencks ave erected a new power plant and witha view of an increasing plant d to furnish the rural sections there with electric lights.

Considering that Shelby and surrounding section has maintained a steady growth in recent months there is nothing whatsoever to cast a pall of gloom over the situation now and that expected in the future.

Boosters of the Cleveland county seat predict—"Shelby a city of 20,000 in five years or so." It looks as if they may be right from the activity of the lextile industry and the county's outstanding lead in the agricultural word.

Fire In North Brook.

Lincoln County News.

The barn of Mr. Solomon Willis, of Morth Brook section, was burned last Monday night. The loss to he and his so will amount to something like \$1,000, with a small amount of insurance. The fire consumed besides the barn 6 or 8 bales of cotton, two cows, several hogs, a quantity of forage,

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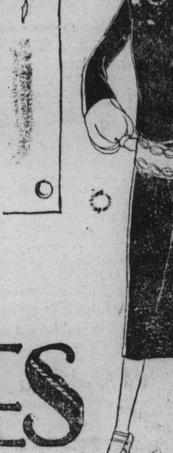
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