Cotton Buyers Say Cotton Farmers Loses Money By Not Using Warehouse Storage.

"The cotton farmer in Cleveland county loses money and a feeling of surety by not patronizing a bonded cotton storage warehouse," in the opinion of one of the leading cotton buyers on the local market.

This buyer in a boost for the Mer- the present plan a buyer who makes chant and Planters warehouse of a purchase that is not for immediate Shelby, which is operated under the delivery leaves the cotton in the North Carolina warehouse system, warehouse and keeps his receipt unsays Cleveland county's income from til he wishes it delivered. the cotton crop would be considerably increased if every bale of coun- of cotton are burned in Cleveland ty cotton was stored in a modern county, while the warehouse plan

At the Merchants & Planters year. This does not consider the warehouse J. O. Propst, the manager hundreds of dollars lost by weather states that a wrong impression pre- damage of Cleveland county cotton. vailing among some farmers keep Many farmers leave their cotton many of them from storing cotton to weather damage at home, and in the bonded warehouse and there-by causes many to lose money. The erroneous impression is that when in a short time. At the warehouse some mill or buyer purchases a re- it is pointed out that storage for ceipt for a bale of cotton in the only a few days is beneficial, as orwarehouse he goes to the warehouse dinarily a trip to town will be made and picks out the bale he wants or takes the first one he gets his hand stands a better chance of being upon. This idea is entirely wrong. A looked over and bid upon by marsystem of checking with receipts ket buyers. makes it entirely impossible for a buyer to get other than the bale he peditions are on other business are When a bale of cotton is left at long enough to see for themselves

the warehouse by a farmer it is that the warehouse idea is in the weighed, sampled and tagged. A main for their benefit. receipt corresponding to the tag on the bale is given the farmer and the receipt is signed and countersigned by J. O. Propst, warehouse manager, and the state warehouse representative. When the bale of otton is sold the receipt must be presented and the tag and receipt comparing the bale can be secured. At least four times each year an inspector of the state system checks the warehouse and records seeing that every bale as tagged can be accounted for. There is, no possibility of bales getting switched, or some mill securing cotton that belongs to a farmer and is not sold. Safe Every Way

There are nine compartments in the big warehouse, which has a total capacity of 7,000 bales. With ouble water protection in case of fire—one from the city hydrant and the other from the Shelby Cotton Mills—the fire risk is low. In addition to this a modern sprinkler alarm system is complete throughout the warehouse.

However, this immediate protection is of lesser interest to the farmer considering that when he stores his cotton there it is protected by the insurance of the bonded

Saves Many Ways

evident along several lines. In addition to the protection offered against weather and fire there is considerable saving in the handling, quicker sale ,and a better price.

A cotton buyer who purchases cotton from a gin lot, or from poor storage is always dubious about the price he pays, because he cannot tell from outside appearances just how much the bale has been damaged by rain and mud. When the cotton is in a warehouse the buyer usually takes the sample at its face value and pays' - the prevailing price. Quicker sale of cotton is plain because when a buyer is seeking cotton it is only natural that he will seek the easy plan, visit the ware-house and make his purchase in 30 utes instead of a long trip to the country. When the purchase is made the buyer takes the cotton at the warehouse, or loads it in cars there and the sale is complete.

The cost of cotton storage is realinconsequential. The local wareuse a member of a chain operated by the state and national system

operates at the system rate and not at a profit-making price for local men who made such beneficial storage possible. One cent a day per bale is the rate. An insurance rate pook shows that a farmer can store his cotton there and protect against the weather as well as fire for just 20 ents more per year than he can insure it against fire alone at his who stores his cotton at home can- was filled to capacity. It is one of not be sure of insurance unless it is the most talked of dinemas of the water on your shoulders doesn't do divided in ten bale lots and remov-

in which there is a fire.

ed a certain distance from buildings today.

sures more buyers on the local market. Many buyers who now work on

were it necessary for them to main-

tain their own warehouse. Under

In the course of a year many bales

for \$3.70 will protect a bale for a

Farmers in town on shopping ex-

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this winter

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fore-if you will put your

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From the standpoint of commun- tion western, "Open Range", a Zane ity benefit the bonded warehouse as- Grey thriller.

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"A crackeriack, one of the best pictures I have ever seen," was the "The Wheaton ice man" who verdict of a leading Shelby film fan popularized the business as an who visited the Princess last night avocation for half backs in the off and witnessed the two-day feature season declared he believes the prac-Furthermore, the farmer picture "Underworld." The house tice causes rheumatism.

time. The second showing will be anybody any good. I know some old time ice toters back home and its Tomorrow brings a sprightly ac- ruined 'em. I'm going to stick to shoveling cement and playing golf

the Shelby market would not do so O O O

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CARRIED OVER FROM FANNINGS STOCK



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In Three Groups

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