

N. C. Cotton Crop For 1953 Estimated At 453,000 Bales

North Carolina's cotton crop for 1953 is estimated at 453,000 bales (500-pounds gross weight). The State Federal Crop Reporting Service announces that the 1953 acreage harvested in North Carolina would amount to 775,000 acres. This is 4 per cent above the 1952 harvested acreage and is 2 per cent higher than the earlier estimate made by the Service.

Lint yield per acre turnout is estimated at 280 pounds—10 pounds

lower than earlier seasonal forecasts. This is 86 pounds or 24 per cent below the 1952 cotton yield and 19 per cent below the ten-year average yield. The smaller yield in 1953 is attributed both to heavy weevil infestation and dry weather. Total production of 453,000 bales estimated compares with 569,000 bales for 1952 and 522,000 bales for the 1942-51 average crop.

As of December 1 the crop was practically all harvested and ginned. Weather conditions for harvest have been ideal and the crop has been harvested more rapidly in 1953 than for any year on record.

The nation's 1953 cotton crop is placed at 16,437,000 bales (500-pounds gross weight)—8.6 per cent above the 15,139,000 bales produced last year and 34.6 per cent above the ten-year (1941-52) average crop of 12,216,000 bales.

It's In The Book

What Do You Know About Motor Vehicle Laws?

If I have an automobile accident, must I report it to the Department of Motor Vehicles?

S.P.—Oakdale
In most cases, yes. The Motor Vehicle Manual states you must make a written report to DMV if you are involved in an accident resulting in death, injury or property damage in the amount of \$100 or more. This report must be filed within 24 hours after the collision. This isn't to be confused with another regulation which requires you to notify immediately the State Highway Patrol or local police in the event of a wreck.

stair rail. Locate spots where an additional decoration like berries, balls or bells would be effective and then wire into the decoration.

Typhoid In Poultry Hard To Eradicate

When typhoid strikes your poultry flock there isn't much you can do but kill the carriers and sell the remaining birds for meat, according to R. S. Dearstyne, head of the Department of Poultry Science at N. C. State College.

Dearstyne says typhoid is one of the most destructive of all poultry diseases and that mortality runs "very

high" in flocks that have suffered attacks.

Many different types of medication are suggested as treatment, but Dearstyne says results are not always good. Often the flock owner will think he has licked the disease, when actually he has only arrested it. "Birds making a recovery as far as external symptoms are concerned, may later become carriers of the infection. These carriers eliminate the tiny typhoid germs through the droppings and through discharges from the mount. This tends to perpetuate the disease on the premises."

Dearstyne suggests: (1) That infested birds be burned or buried deep-

ly. (2) That the remainder of the flock be sold immediately for meat. (3) Followed by a thorough cleaning and disinfecting of the poultry house and equipment. (4) Ranges on which the birds have been running should be plowed deeply. Only after several months is it safe to start another flock on the same ground.

Balky

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Mother: No. If you don't watch him, he's liable to go out?



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