

To The Farmers and Business Men of Union County

Columbia, July 10.—The state-wide campaign to be conducted by the South Carolina Division of the American Cotton Association, the Extension Service of Clemson College, the state warehouse commission and the United States Department of Agriculture, for the construction of warehouses, the employment of cotton graders and for new members of the Cotton Association opens on next Thursday, July 15, at Anderson. Three state-wide meetings will be held and they will be followed by meetings in every county.

The first state-wide meeting at Anderson Thursday will be addressed by United States Senator Dial, A. F. Fowler, member of the Federal Farm Loan Board and J. Skottowe Wannamaker, President of the American Cotton Association.

The second state-wide meeting will be at Orangeburg on Friday, July 15th, and will be addressed by Governor Cooper, W. H. Stone, of the Manufacturers Record, Col. T. J. Shackelford, of Georgia; and J. Skottowe Wannamaker.

The third state-wide meeting will be at Kershaw on Saturday, July 17th, and will be addressed by A. F. Lever, J. A. Evans, Chief of the Extension Work; and J. Skottowe Wannamaker.

Immediately following these three meetings four parties of three men each will invade the state, holding three meetings in each county. The state has been divided into four parties. Prof. D. W. Watkins, of Clemson College, will be in charge of the first party. B. Harris will represent the Cotton Association; R. G. Honeycutt, the warehouse commissioner; and Messrs. Watkins and T. M. Mills the Extension Service.

A. A. McKeown will be in charge of the second party and will represent the Extension Service; W. H. Mills will represent the warehouse commission and John G. Richards and Lowndes J. Browning the Cotton Association. Party No. 3 will be in charge of Henry S. Johnson, who, with Mr. N. E. Winters, will represent the Extension Service; G. L. Toole will represent the Cotton Association and J. Cliff Rivers the Warehouse Commission. Party No. 4 will be in charge of S. E. Evans, who, with J. W. Shealy, will represent the Extension Service; T. L. Manning will represent the Cotton Association and Senator G. K. Laney the Warehouse Commission.

Many of the best known men in the state will speak during the campaign at the various meetings.

The objects of the campaign are set forth in an address to the people of South Carolina issued today, as follows:

"Every man, woman and child who has the privilege of calling himself or herself a South Carolinian is vitally interested in the campaign to be launched by the Cotton Association, the State Warehouse Commission, the Extension Service of Clemson College and the U. S. Department of Agriculture for the purpose of arousing the people to the necessity of making the first organized effort to work out the problem of the scientific marketing of their cotton. To this end three meetings will be held in practically every county in the state. The three problems to be discussed are fundamental.

"1. To arrange for the grading of the farmers' cotton by a disinterested party who will be an appointee of the State and Federal Government working under the Supervision of the Extension Service of Clemson College and the U. S. Department of Agriculture and in cooperation with the Cotton Association and Warehouse Commissioner.

"2. To arrange for building the necessary warehouse space to take care of at least 50 per cent of our normal cotton crop.

"3. To increase the membership of the Cotton Association in order that it may be a potential factor in the economic life of the state.

"It is unthinkable that South Carolinians will not at once recognize that this campaign is

of most transcending importance. Nothing in the economic history of the state, that has been a pioneer in many of the economic, industrial and civic movements of this country, is so vital, so far reaching and touches every phase of our very existence as the intelligent marketing of our principal crop—cotton. This can only be done by first solving in a sensible way the two fundamental principles—intelligent grading and an abundant warehouse space. When these two problems are solved the matter of direct sales to the manufacturer will be the next step and this will be the least troublesome if we will only solve the problems of grading and warehousing.

"Surely, South Carolinians, after all these many years of voluntary contributions of millions of dollars to other interests, which contributions represent their toil, their sacrifices and the surrender of their financial independence, will organize themselves under the banner of the American Cotton Association and carry out to the fullest extent the suggestions of those who are gladly giving their time and their best to bring about a condition where the cotton grower will participate on a fair and just basis in the profits of his invested capital and his labor.

"You are urged to attend these meetings, a notice of which will appear in your county papers and posters have been provided giving the necessary information.

Very truly yours,

J. Skottowe Wannamaker,

Pres., American Cotton Asso.

R. C. Hamer,

Pres., S. C. Division A. C. A.

J. Clifton Rivers,

State Warehouse Commis'ner.

W. W. Long,

Director of Extension representing Clemson and U. S. Dept. Agriculture.

B. Harris,

Commissioner of Agriculture."

The itinerary of the county meetings follows:

SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

General Meetings

Anderson.—July 15th, Senator Dial, Hon. A. F. Lever, Hon. J. S. Wannamaker.

Orangeburg.—July 16th, Gov. R. A. Cooper, W. H. Stone, of Manufacturers Record; Col. T. J. Shackelford, Hon. J. S. Wannamaker.

Kershaw.—July 17th, Hon. A. F. Lever, Mr. J. A. Evans, Chief Office Extension Work, South; and J. S. Wannamaker.

SCHEDULE OF PARTY NO. 1

D. W. Watkins in Charge

Speakers:

Cotton Association—B. Harris.

Warehouse Commissioner—Mr. Honeycutt.

Extension Service—D. W. Watkins and T. M. Mills.

Hon. A. F. Lever will speak at Hodges July 22nd, and Mr. J. A. Evans at Abbeville on July 20th.

Anderson County, July 16th. Iva and Belton.

Oconee County, July 17th and 19th, inclusive. Seneca, Walhalla and Westminster.

Abbeville County, July 20th and 21st. Abbeville, Due West and Lowndesville.

Greenwood County, July 22nd and 23rd. Hodges, Ninety-Six and Callison.

McCormick County, July 24th and 26th. Willington, McCormick and Parksville.

Laurens County, July 27th and 28th. Newberry County, July 29th and 30th.

Newberry, Prosperity and Pomaria.

Richland County, August 3rd and 4th. Columbia, Eastover and Blythewood.

Lexington County, August 5th and 6th. Leesville, Lexington and Swansea.

Saluda County, August 7th and 9th. Ridge Spring, Saluda and Pleasant Grove.

Edgefield County, August 10th and 11th. Johnson, Edgefield and Red Hill.

SCHEDULE PARTY NO. 2

A. A. McKeown in Charge

Speakers:

Cotton Association—John G. Richards and L. J. Browning.

Warehouse Commission—W. H. Mills.

Extension Service—W. H. Mills and A. A. McKeown.

Mr. J. A. Evans will speak at Lancaster on July 21st and Hon. A. F. Lever at Fort Mill on July 23rd.

Kershaw County, July 17th, 19th and 20th. Camden, Lugoff and Bethune.

Lancaster County, July 21st and 22nd. Van Wyck, Lancaster and Heath Springs.

York County, July 32rd and 24th. Fort Mill, Clover and Hickory Grove.

Chester County, July 26th and 27th. Chester, Blackstock and Rickburg.

Fairfield County, July 28th and 29th. Winnsboro, Ridgeway and Monticello.

Union County, August 2nd and 3rd. Santuc, Union and Jonesville.

Spartanburg County, August 4th and 5th. Cherokee County, August 6th and 7th. Gaffney, Sunnyside School House and Blacksburg.

Greenville County, August 9th. Simpsonville and Woodville.

Pickens County, August 10th and 11th. Pickens, Easley and Liberty.

SCHEDULE OF PARTY NO. 3

H. S. Johnson in Charge

Speakers:

Cotton Association—G. L. Toole.

Warehouse Commission—N. E. Withers.

Hon. A. F. Lever will speak at St. Matthews on July 19th and at St. George on the 20th.

Orangeburg County, July 16th and 17th.

Calhoun County, July 19th. St. Matthews.

Dorchester County, July 20th and 21st. Harleyville, St. George and Summerville.

Jasper County, July 22nd.

Hampton County, July 23rd and 24th. Brunson, Varnville and Furman.

Allendale County, July 26th. Allendale and Fairfax.

Barnwell County, July 27th and 28th. Barnwell, Blackville and Williston.

Aiken County, August 3rd and 4th. Aiken, Wagner and Beach Island.

Bamberg County, July 29th and 30th. Bamberg, Denmark and Ehrhardt.

Sumter County, July 7th, 8th, 9th and 10th. Rembert, Concord, Bethel and Orlando.

Lee County, August 5th and 6th. Bishopville, St. Charles and Lynchburg.

SCHEDULE OF PARTY NO. 4

S. E. Evans in Charge

Speakers:

Cotton Association—T. L. Manning.

Warehouse Commission—G. K. Laney.

Extension Service—J. W. Shealy.

Hon. A. F. Lever will speak at Bennettsville on July 21st.

Chesterfield County, July 19th and 20th.

Marlboro County, July 21st and 22nd. Bennettsville, Darlington and Lamar.

Florence County, July 26th and 27th. Lake City, Florence and Timmonsville.

Marion County, July 28th and 29th. Mullins, Marion and Centenary.

Dillon County, July 30th and August 2nd. Dillon, Latta and Lake View.

Williamsburg County, August 3rd and 4th. Kingstree, Cades and Lanes.

Clarendon County, August 5th and 6th.

Berkeley County, August 7th and 9th.

Georgetown County, August 10th and 11th. Georgetown, Andrews and Rhems.

Schedule will be announced later for Colleton, Horry, Beaufort and Charleston counties.

The place and hour of meeting will be announced by the County Agent in cooperation with the president of the County Cotton Association. In counties where no community meetings have been announced such announcements will be made later.