

**COTTON OUTLOOK
DROPS SLIGHTLY**

**ESTIMATES SHOW DECLINE OF
22,000 BALES**

**Condition is 62 Per Cent.—
Yield 155 Pounds Per Acre.—
Fruits Early.**

This year's cotton crop declined to the extent of 22,000 bales between July 16th and August 1st. The department of agriculture's August 1st forecast of prospective production, issued Saturday, places the crop at 13,566,000 bales, compared with a forecast of 13,588,000 bales based on the July 16th condition.

The forecast was based on the condition of the crop August 1st, which was 65.6 per cent. of normal, indicating a yield of 139.8 pounds per acre. The crop on July 16th was 70.4 per cent. of normal, indicating an acre yield of 140.0 pounds. Production last year was 13,627,936 bales, the final yield was 157.4 pounds and the condition of the crop on August 1st was 64.7 per cent.

Ginnings of cotton of this year's crop prior to August 1st totaled 159,373 running bales, counting round bales as half bales, compared with 21,795 bales to that date in 1924 and 64,381 bales in 1923, the census bureau announced. Many local people take the comparatively large ginnings to indicate premature opening of bolls and a short crop. The condition in South Carolina on

August 1st was placed at 62 per cent. and the indicated yield 155 lbs.

Fire Frightens Folks.

Allendale, Aug. 7.—Citizens of the town were frightened in the early hours of Thursday morning, when the Negro lodge, a two story building in the Negro quarter, was razed to the ground by fire of unknown origin, believed to be incendiary. The fire was discovered shortly before 3 o'clock, but had gone so far that it was seen immediately that efforts to save the building would be useless. A negro residence next door to the lodge, which caught near the gable, was saved by the efforts of the firemen.

The days lose ten minutes in sunshine this week.

Double Pond News.

Double Pond, Aug. 10.—Preaching services were held here Sunday afternoon, a large crowd attending. Immediately afterwards the little Sunbeams and W. M. U. held their meeting.

Mrs. R. W. Warren was the guest of Mrs. Mary Dyches Tuesday.

Little Miss Cora Gunnels, of the Govan section, spent Saturday night and Sunday with her aunt, Mrs. Ellen Weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Warren and daughters, Louise and Ruby, were the guests of Mrs. Gatsy Black Sunday.

Misses Corine and Christine Hutto, of Vance, spent Tuesday with the

Redmond children.

Mr. Jeff Martin and family, of Florida, spent the week-end with friends and relatives of this section.

Mr. Howard Delk and family spent Sunday at the home of Mr. Isadore Hartzog.

Messrs. Willie Weeks, H. W. Jones, Jr., Otis Nix and Freddie Jones motored to Walterboro last Friday afternoon to attend the singing concert conducted by Prof. F. Clark Perry, of Chattanooga, Tenn.

Mr. and Mrs. Sammie Hartzog and little daughter, Nora, spent Sunday with Mr. W. P. Hair and family.

Miss Julia Warren spent Saturday with Miss Ollie Lee Jones.

Messrs. Lee Croft, Jim Redmond, R. W. Warren and Ernest Croft motored to Howell's Old Mill Monday on a fishing trip and had fine luck.

Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Nix, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Chitty spent Saturday night at the home of Mr. P. Chitty.

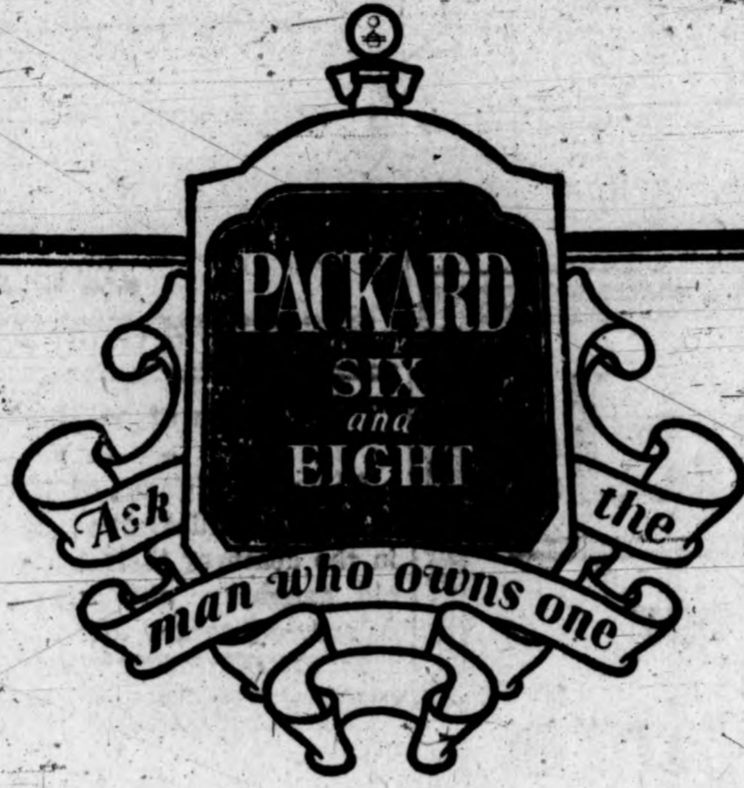
Mr. H. P. Jones spent Saturday night at the home of Mr. W. P. Hair.

Mr. and Mrs. William H. Gunnels spent Sunday at the home of Mr. W. F. Weeks.

Quite a number of friends and relatives gathered at the home of Mrs. Ellen Jones Saturday night where they spent several hours in singing, Mr. F. Clark Perry leading. They also met at the home of Mr. Willie Weeks Sunday night.

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Mr. W. P. Hair, Misses Ollie Lee Jones and Daisy Hair, Messrs. Frank and Ponnell Hair motored to Denmark and Hamburg Saturday.



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