

STRICT MIDDLING SHOULD BE LOWEST GRADE RAISED

David R. Coker Urges Planting Only of Crop That Can Be Picked Early.

There are two main causes for the present cotton situation. First, world poverty and trade disorganization caused by the war. Second, over-production of low grades.

The first is not the fault of the cotton raiser and will disappear as the world returns to normal conditions.

The second is the cotton raiser's fault. It can and should be cured at once.

A large proportion of the cotton planters have for years been planting a far greater acreage of cotton than could be gathered promptly.

The consequence was a heavy over-production of low grades which have piled up until they have crushed the life out of the cotton industry.

Low grades never pay. The margin of profit in the production of high grade cotton (when there is a margin) is less than the difference in price between high grades and low grades. High grades average double the price of low grades right now.

Every farmer should raise all food stuffs that can be consumed by man and beast on his farm and then plant enough more to supply the towns.

Only as much cotton should be planted as the labor on each plantation can keep right up with in picking. We can finally work out of the terrible position that the "dog in the manger" policy of over-production of low grades has placed us, if this policy is generally pursued.

"Live at Home," "Why Raise Low Grades," "Not a Bale Below Strict Middling." These slogans should be adopted by all cotton farmers.

They will take us "out of the woods" more quickly than many imagine.

DAVID R. COKER.
Hartsville, S. C.
March 18, 1921.

KELLY NOW IN PEN.

Newton Kelly, under indictment for the killing of David Shull in Brookland last winter, has been removed to the state penitentiary, Sheriff Roof taking him over Friday. Governor Cooper, upon request of Kelly's attorneys, ordered his removal to the penitentiary.

CONGRESSMAN FULMER GONE TO WASHINGTON.

Congressman H. M. Fulmer left Monday for Washington to attend the special session of the representative of the seventh South Carolina district, to which position he was chosen in the late congressional election.

Mr. Fulmer states that he takes his seat in the halls of congress as a representative of the people who have suffered much from the unscrupulous wiles of speculators. Particularly does he refer to the matter of the disposition of agricultural products. The citizens of his district, he states, are in a large measure actual agriculturists and the prosperity of this section is dependent upon fair and just treatment at the hands of the government. He has pledged his efforts to insure as far as possible equitable measures on the part of the government for the sale of farm products, including cotton, and for elimination of greedy and selfish speculators who for years have been unlawfully eating up the profits on cotton and other farm products which should have gone to the people who produce the products.—Orangeburg Times and Democrat.

LONG BRANCH NEWS.

Long Branch school closed a successful term last Friday night, April 8th, having been under the management of Mrs. S. W. Steele, principal teacher, and Miss Rosalee Stockman, assistant.

The program was carried out fine for the occasion and a large crowd attended, regardless of the downfall of water.

Miss Sibyl Medlin of New Brookland spent the week-end pleasantly with Miss Flora Corley.

Mr. Job Roof's front yard looked awfully lonesome last Sunday night as it wasn't decorated with Ford roadsters as usual?

Miss Stockman has returned to her home in Chapin, after teaching here.

Mr. and Mrs. George Roof spent Sunday with Rev. and Mrs. C. J. Sox at Lexington.

Mr. P. B. Farr and Mr. Swartz of Lexington were seen in this community Sunday afternoon.

"SHORTY."

DEBTORS AND

CREDITORS NOTICE.

All persons indebted to the estate of James F. Lown will please pay the same to the undersigned and all persons having claims against the estate will please present the same to the undersigned fully proved immediately.

FRANCIS A. LOWN,
Executor.

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COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM AT FURMAN UNIVERSITY

Greenville, April 7.—The commencement at Furman this year will be one of particular interest. Addresses will be made by the Rev. Carter Helm Jones, of Philadelphia, Pa., by the Rev. T. C. Skinner, of Columbia, S. C., and by Governor Robert A. Cooper, of South Carolina. Governor Cooper will deliver the literary address before the faculty, the student body and the literary societies. Dr. Jones and Dr. Skinner are among the most notable pulpit orators of the country.

Another feature of interest to the public will be the dedication of the new dormitory which is one of the most commodious and complete in the entire South. It will take care of 160 students and has incorporated in it many of the best features to be found in the dormitories of the country. The central heating plant will be dedicated at the same time. In addition to these exercises there will be the unveiling of a portrait of Dr. Charles Manly, the second president of the institution. Dr. Manly is still living and has been invited, with other members of the family, to be present on that occasion. Dr. John Manly, head of the Department of English in the University of Chicago, is an alumnus of Furman and has been particularly invited to be present. The approaching commencement ought to be one of the most interesting in the entire history of the institution.

CHARTER OAK DOTS.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Taylor and family visited Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Hendrix Sunday afternoon.

Miss Clarice Harmon spent Saturday night with Miss Rosa Harmon.

Miss Eva Hendrix and brother Harold, dined with Miss Genevieve and Duvall Smith Sunday.

A large crowd attended communion service at Pisgah Sunday.

Miss Rosa Belle Hendrix spent the week-end with her aunt, Mrs. C. C. Harmon, and attended the play at Charter Oak.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Wessinger and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wessinger visited Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Keisler Sunday.

Mr. West Kleckley and daughter, Bessie, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Hendrix and attended service at Pisgah.

Our school closed Friday night with a large attendance. Everybody enjoyed the play and a neat little sum was realized for the benefit of the school.

Mr. Clarence Sox spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. Clinton Hendrix.

Mr. Jack Frost visited us again Sunday night and did some harm to our early gardens. We hope he is gone now for a long while.

Miss Minnie Hendrix and Mrs. Ellen Harmon dined with Mr. and Mrs. George Taylor Sunday.

Mr. Clyde Hendrix spent Sunday

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DISCHARGE

Orders were given that on Saturday next, I will apply to George H. Smith, Judge of Probate of Lexington County, for final discharge as executor of the estate of Ida H. Williams.

JAMES HALL,
Executor, Estate of Ida H. Williams.

OBITUARY.

Mrs. Elizabeth Williams was born at Leesville, S. C., May 13, 1845, and departed from this life January 8, 1921, making her earthly pilgrimage 76 years, 7 months and 5 days.

Mrs. Williams died at the home of her son, Hiram J. Williams, of Alachua, Fla., and was buried in the Spring Hill cemetery at Traxler, Florida.

She leaves to mourn her departure two daughters and two sons, namely: Mrs. C. M. Hook, Boston, Ga., Mrs. John L. Oswald, Mulberry, Fla., U. L. Williams, Hayne City, Fla., Hiram J. Williams, Alachua, Fla. Also 15 grandchildren and one great grandchild.

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