

**CORPORATION TO STORE COTTON.**  
Warehouses and Compresses at Several South Carolina Points Said to Be in Deal.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 1.—Arrangements are practically complete for the formation of a gigantic corporation to combine and standardize a large portion of the cotton compressing and warehousing facilities of the South and to establish new ones on an unlimited scale throughout the cotton belt, effecting Charleston, Columbia and Greenville.

Announcement of the undertaking was made today by Rufus R. Wilson, secretary of the National Association of Cotton Manufacturers. Mr. Wilson is also president of the World Cotton conference which at its recent meeting in New Orleans, declared adequate warehousing to be a "paramount necessity" in handling and distributing the American cotton crop.

Identified with the undertaking are many prominent Southern and Eastern cotton spinners, producers, brokers and bankers. Arrangement already has been made declares Mr. Wilson, for acquiring established properties worth millions, including no fewer than 65 compress plants.

The corporation in process of formation will be known as the Union Warehouse Compress. The organization is being perfected by the Union Cotton Warehouse Organization corporation which has had experts survey the whole field of warehousing and compressing of cotton and work out plans of development that have been approved by the backers of the enterprise. Options have been taken on scores of compresses and warehouses as well as sites for new ones in various localities of the South where additional facilities are needed.

**Allocation Poor.**  
"It has long been well known in the cotton industry" says Mr. Wilson "that sufficient facilities already exist to house most of the cotton offered for storage. However, the allocation of these warehouses is such that they do not adequately serve the storage needs of the producer, merchant and spinner. They are not located with respect to distribution so as to best serve the needs of the trade. For this reason much cotton that ought to be stored is now kept in open lots, streets and on plantations with the result that each year's crop suffers millions of dollars worth of loss from country damage, many of the existing warehouses are so poorly constructed and carelessly operated that insurance rates for cotton stored in them are abnormally high and receipts for stored stocks are in many cases unsatisfactory collateral for

bank loans. "Many Southern bankers declare they would rather loan money on cotton than on real estate but the trouble has been and still is with the character of the warehouse receipts as evidence of the cottons safety, ownership, weight and delivery ability. "Fully conversant with these conditions and the need for improving them both in the interest of the grower and spinner, a group of men concerned from various angles with the cotton industry are organizing a corporation for the purpose of standardizing warehouses in both the South and the North."

In as much as cotton warehousing and compressing are allied operations the Union Warehouse and Compress companies of cotton with the view of compressing as many bales as possible to an even density. High density presses will be installed in those plants where such presses are not used.

**Many Plants in Deal.**  
And the most of the warehousing facilities will be increased. The compress plants to be taken over by the new organization Mr. Wilson announced are those of the Atlantic Compress company with 12 plants in Florida, Georgia and Alabama, those of the Newburger Cotton company with 26 plants in Arkansas, Tennessee, Mississippi, and Louisiana and those of the St. Louis Compress company controlled by the Lesser Goldman interests chiefly in Arkansas and Missouri. The scattered presses will be paid by the company; the compresses and storage facilities at big concentration points like Norfolk, Charleston, Savannah, Atlanta, Mobile, Houston, St. Louis and Memphis and to supplying them with increased and standardized service.

It is also planned to organize a subsidiary corporation whose business will be to buy and sell cotton receipts and acceptance thus facilitating the financing of cotton in storage. The movement is in line with recommendation made by representatives of all cotton interests at the world conference held in New Orleans. They pledged their support to undertakings looking to the development of a better warehousing system for cotton. An efficient and adequate system of warehousing will be of great advantage to both producers and consumers and Wilson declares it will prevent the losses now occurring because of the hasty way each big cotton crop is marketed, will tend to stabilize prices and insure proper distribution of the crop which now is worth more than \$2,000,000,000 a year.

The Gordon McCabé company compressors at Charleston and Columbia will be taken into the Union company. They will be much enlarged.

The Standard Warehouse company at Columbia will also be taken over. Cooper and Griffin of Greenville and Spartenburg will be absorbed and enlarged and storage facilities increased, while at Rock Hill a warehouse will either be purchased or built immediately. This is the most gigantic plan for warehousing on a large scale ever undertaken and is the outcome of many conferences and much deliberation on the subject. — The State.

**Marlboro's Loss Dillon's Gain.**

Dear Herald:—Mr. E. L. Powell with his splendid family has moved from Bennettsville to near Latta, where Mr. Powell will engage extensively in farming. Mr. Powell is a native of Marlboro county, member of a prominent and influential family of this county, and in a marked degree has the respect and confidence of our entire people. For quite a number of years Mr. Powell has been engaged in the mercantile business at Blenheim and Bennettsville, has been most successful and made good money. He will farm Mr. Bethea's (his father-in-law's) large plantation near Dillon, and as he was reared on a farm and has always taken much interest in agricultural pursuits, he will undoubtedly succeed.

Mr. Powell and his cultured family will be greatly missed in Bennettsville. They are members of the Bennettsville Presbyterian church and the church and Sunday school will greatly miss them. We all dreaded to give them up, and should they ever desire to return to Bennettsville, we will extend a glad, warm cordial welcome.

Best wishes for The Herald and everyone connected with the paper. Sincerely and truly,  
J. P. GIBSON,  
Bennettsville, S. C., Jan. 1, 1920.

**Hotel Changes Hands.**

The Commercial Hotel at the corner of Railroad avenue and Harrison street was sold last Thursday to Jas. M. Carmichael of Bennettsville. Mr. Carmichael is a former Dillon boy, being a son of the late Capt. W. B. B. Carmichael. It is understood that the price paid for the property was around \$10,000.00. The property has been in litigation since 1911 and was sold by the master last November under a decree of the court. The purchaser was T. I. Rogers, Esq., of Bennettsville, who bid the property in for the estate. Mr. Carmichael has not stated positively what he will do with the property, but it is understood that he is considering plans to cut the rooms up into apartments.

Do as much as you can for the benefit of Dillon, in 1920.

**TAX RETURNS FOR 1919.**

To Be Made by School Districts. All persons owning property or those acting as agents for others are required by law to file the same for taxation between January 1st and February 20th, 1920. The auditor's office will be open during this period for the purpose of accepting returns. All property must be listed in the school district in which same is located. Persons owning property in more than one district must use a separate blank for each district. It is absolutely necessary that the auditor have the name of the township and the number of the school district in which each taxpayer resides in order that each school district may receive its proper portion of funds for school and other purposes. All males between the age of 21 and 60 years, except those exempt by law, are liable to a poll tax of \$1.00. All males between the age of 21 and 50 years are liable, unless exempt by law to a commutation road tax of \$3.00. (Age for road duty and amount of tax subject to change.) Real estate will not have to be returned this year unless you have bought, sold or transferred some or built new buildings since last return was made. If any change has been made in real estate since last return it will be necessary to report same to the auditor. The law requires a 50 per cent penalty be added to the taxes of all persons not making their returns before February 20th. This law as well as all others in regard to the conduct of this office will be rigidly enforced. Note (All parties owning automobiles will be required to give the name of the car, the year manufactured and whether it is a touring, roadster or sedan car. The auditor or his deputy will be at the following places on the dates mentioned below to take tax returns: Hamer, Monday, Jan. 12th. Little Rock, Tuesday, Jan. 13th. Lake View, Thursday, Jan. 15th. Fork, Friday, Jan. 16th. Bingham, Monday, Jan. 19th. Mallory, Tuesday, Jan. 20th. Kirby's X Roads, Wednesday, Jan. 21st. Latta, Thursday, Jan. 22nd. Latta, Friday, Jan. 23rd. D. S. ALLEN, Auditor Dillon County.

**Teachers' Examination Notice.**

A special teachers' examination has been ordered by the State Board of Education for Saturday, January 10, 1920, to enable teachers whose certificates have expired to renew the same. The same will begin at 9 o'clock at the courthouse.

R. S. ROGERS,  
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