

POOR COTTON CROP.

Government Estimates 11,000,000 Bales.

Washington, Aug. 1.—A cotton production of 11,016,000 bales this year was forecast today by the department of agriculture, basing its estimate on the condition of the crop July 25, which it announced at 67.1 per cent. of a normal.

A forecast of 10,586,600 bales was made last month on conditions existing June 25. Last year's crop was 12,040,532 bales.

The condition of the crop June 25 was 70 per cent. of a normal and on July 25 a year ago it was 72.6, while the ten year July 25 average is 70.1.

Condition July 25, by States, follows: Virginia, 80; North Carolina, 76; South Carolina, 71; Georgia, 67; Florida, 50; Alabama, 64; Mississippi, 63; Louisiana, 52; Texas, 67; Arkansas, 63; Tennessee, 67; Missouri, 67; Oklahoma, 75; California, 100; Arizona, 93.

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Big Land Deal Consummated Near Timmons.

Timmons, July 30.—One of the biggest land deals ever made in this section took place here yesterday when E. H. Young, T. B. Young and J. E. Lunn, prominent farmers of the Ebenezer section purchased the McKnight lands near Ebenezer for \$110,000. There are 900 acres in the tracts which will be subdivided and sold for residential purposes. Real estate is on a tremendous boom here and enormous prices are being paid for it. C. R. Smith, president of the Citizens Bank, today sold his town residence on Church street to L. H. Bane and purchased from Dr. R. K. Foster his residence on Byrd street, the prices on lands are double what there were a few years ago.

Who Got It?

"What is worrying you now?" "Oh, nothing much," replied the man who is perpetually pensive. "I am merely trying to figure out what has become of all the daylight I saved since we set the clocks forward."—Washington Star.

RED SPIDER ACTIVE.

Considerable Damage Done to Crops Near Blackville.

Blackville, Aug. 3.—The red spider is taking quite a toll from the cotton crop around Blackville. Up to the recent heavy rains there was a prospect of a good crop. The rains have damaged the crop quite considerably, but the red spider has caused a much greater damage. Some farmers have been practically ruined. One reason it has spread so, is the farmers were not familiar with it and let it get too much hold before doing anything to stop the destruction. In many instances it was thought lightning had struck the cotton and no more attention was paid it until the spider had gotten in considerable damage.

The spider is very small, but gets on the under side of the leaf and immediately the leaf begins to turn red and soon turns dry and parches up. The spider seems to poison the stalk, for not only the small bolls but even the large bolls dry up and rot.

There had been so much cotton that has died from red spider this season until many thought it was root wilt and let it get too much hold before fighting it.

Every effort is being made now to stop the destruction, both hand and barrel sprays have been ordered and the work is going on under the instruction of the farm demonstration agent.

NEW STILL FAILS IN PURPOSE.

Cherokee Officers Take it in Hand Before Any Whiskey is Made.

Gaffney, August 2.—Officers C. Y. Allison, Charles Byers and Deputy Sheriff J. E. Watkins, and Arthur Hopper captured a distillery of about 30 gallons capacity, on what is known as the Cowpens Furnace place yesterday. The outfit had been installed, but no whiskey had been made thereon, and it is thought that the operators either had not commenced to manufacture the booze, or else they became frightened, and decided that discretion was the better part of valor. The outfit was brought to Gaffney, and was stored in the museum of Sheriff Thomas, who is possessed of a number of similar souvenirs.

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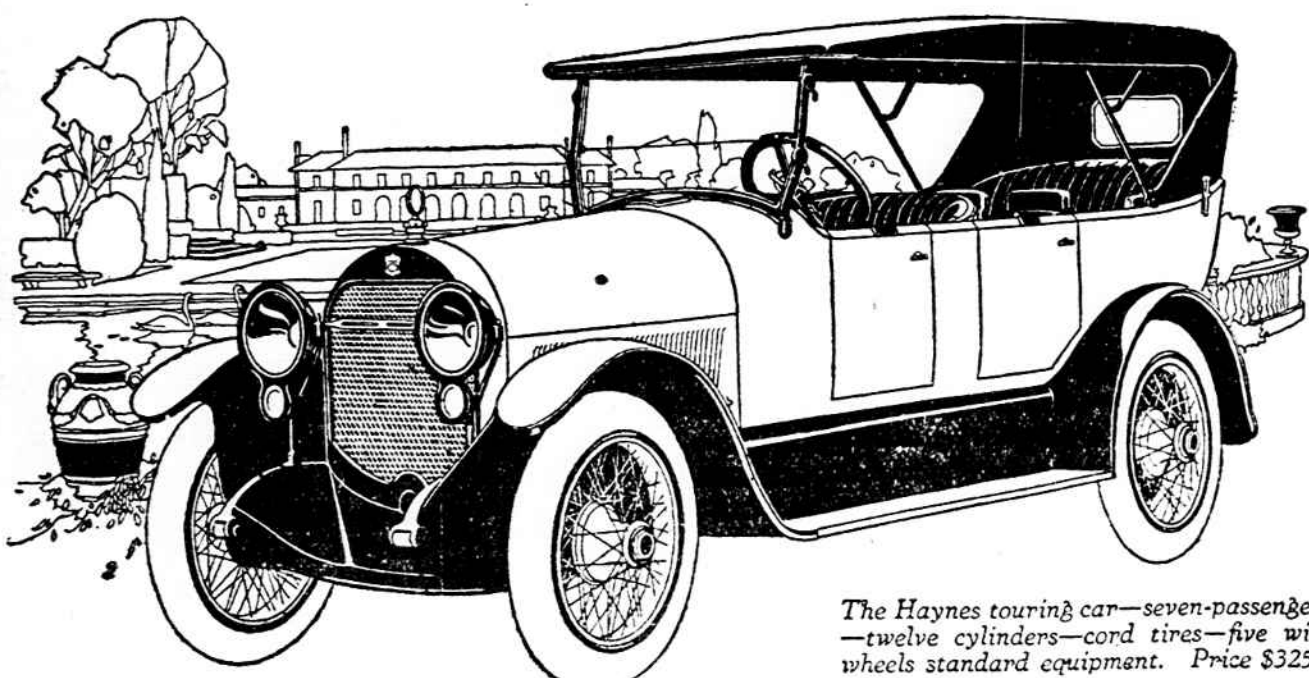
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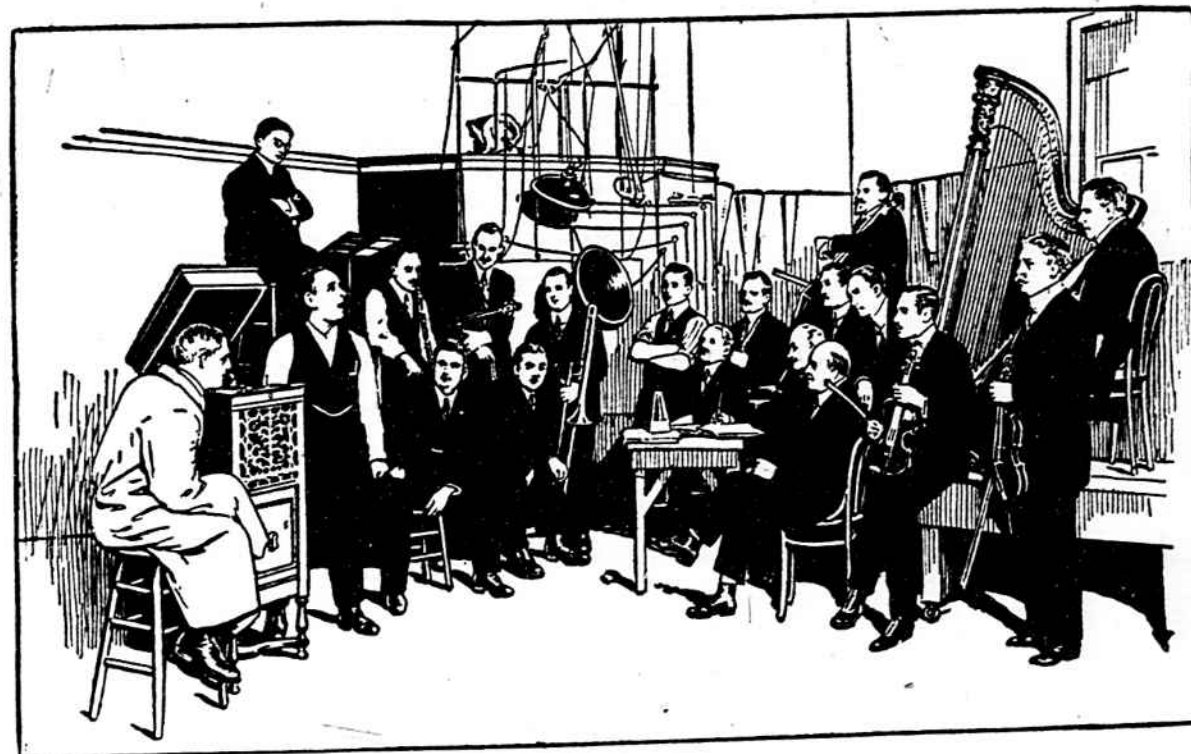
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