

FARMERS' UNION BUREAU.

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Many Cotton Farmers Are Slaves

Some wise man has already said that it belongs to the negro to grow mortgaged cotton crops, and a progressive white man to live a free and independent life by growing home-supplies and using cotton only as cash balance. No one having a reasonable calculation can deny the statement that it requires the best business tact and extraordinary good judgment to buy corn, meat, hay, mules, clothing, guano and all groceries necessary to fill the absolute needs of the force that goes to grow the cotton crop, and then market this one crop—cotton—in a business way to have a reasonable profit to the grower of cotton sufficient to buy for cash all these supplies for another cotton crop.

If the "all cotton crop" farmer does not make clear profit enough out of his cotton to pay cash for his supplies for the next crop, he has drifted into the slave class of cotton growers.

In the outset, the man that buys everything that is necessary to grow a crop of cotton with on credit pits himself against the business qualifications of his supply men, and the treacherous "weather man," too, which forces seven-tenths of the time buyers into the slave or lien class of cotton growers.

FARMERS' UNION WAREHOUSES.

Some of our Farmers' Union people have been led to believe that our warehouses are "no good" in protecting cotton prices, because their net earnings have not been so good during the last season.

Well, in the same light we may as well say that our forts and war vessels are "no good," because we do not use them in actual battle every year. Yet if our Government were to become so fanatic as to destroy our fortifications, our navy and our standing army, our nation would be an easy prey for our enemies and our Government would go to the "bow-wows" at once.

Destroy the Farmers' Union—our standing army—and our farmers' warehouses—our fortifications—and our farmers' interest will go to the "bow-wows." Some of the Farmers' Union warehouses that have good business men, commanding the confidence of the members, in charge, are making good money by handling heavy supplies through their own warehouse management.

Some of our short-sighted merchants protest against farmers going into this kind of business outside of their path between the plow handles, but to all such inconsistent men the farmer should object to any merchant growing crops of any kind or owning a cow.

To the slave cotton grower whose crop is mortgaged, cotton warehouses are only temporary relief. Cotton growers that are not in position to hold cotton are on a parity with the man that tugs at his boot straps trying to lift himself out of the mud when he expects cotton warehouses to hold his stress cotton beyond a reasonable limit. All farmers' organizations, corn clubs and hog and hominy clubs and poultry clubs are the very best strongholds for profitable prices for cotton as well as good educational institutions that brighten the minds of all that attend these meetings. Remember that it is true that if a gold coin and a silver one are carried in your pocket for some time the rubbing together soon makes the silver piece look like gold—the finer metal imparts its substance to brighten the baser metal. So when these farmers rub their minds together, the brighter minds impart knowledge and wisdom to those in need of this education, which in time shows that these co-operative movements make a prosperous community of farmers—and prosperous farmers make everything else prosperous around them.

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SOUTH CAROLINA COTTON CROP.

Number of Bales Produced in Each County in the State.

Washington, June 14.—The Government's report on cotton production for 1910, just issued, shows that the total number of 500-pound bales ginned in South Carolina was 1,163,501, compared with 1,099,955 in 1909.

In production by counties, Marlboro leads, with 67,343; Anderson, with 61,611, comes next; Spartanburg third, with 56,312, and Orangeburg fourth, with 53,080.

The crop, by counties, for 1909 and 1910, figured by 500-pound bales, follows:

Counties.	1910.	1909.
Abbeville	32,069	29,896
Aiken	35,687	36,530
Anderson	61,611	48,203
Bamberg	16,800	22,329
Barnwell	45,043	44,919
Beaufort	8,993	6,803
Berkeley	11,178	11,134
Calhoun	20,125	21,292
Charleston	10,770	9,754
Cherokee	14,210	11,391
Chester	26,908	20,830
Chesterfield	26,424	22,696
Clarendon	36,954	32,870
Colleton	14,390	15,749
Darlington	40,587	43,287
Dillon	39,318	38,910
Dorchester	13,947	10,970
Edgefield	25,034	26,203
Fairfield	25,143	20,522
Florence	34,140	37,942
Georgetown	3,413	4,012
Greenville	35,281	27,521
Greenwood	28,959	27,439
Hampton	16,626	20,185
Horry	7,816	7,847
Kershaw	21,527	20,461
Lancaster	23,063	19,256
Laurens	39,799	30,569
Lee	26,877	32,169
Lexington	21,484	19,962
Marion	16,585	17,027
Marlboro	67,343	67,177
Newberry	31,289	27,012
Oconee	13,850	12,529
Orangeburg	53,080	58,847
Pickens	13,780	11,077
Richland	14,246	15,649
Saluda	18,282	18,729
Spartanburg	56,312	42,977
Sumter	33,622	28,936
Union	17,135	12,282
Williamsburg	24,264	32,327
York	39,458	32,821

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Winthrop College Scholarship and Entrance Examination.

The examination for the award of vacant scholarships in Winthrop College and for the admission of new students will be held in the county court house on Friday, July 7, at 9 a. m. Applicants must be not less than fifteen years of age. When scholarships are vacant after July 7 they will be awarded to those making the highest average at this examination, provided they meet the conditions governing the award. Applicants for scholarships should write to President Johnson before the examination for scholarship examination blanks.

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