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Cotton Crop Report Shows A 77.5 Percent Condition As Compared 80.0 In 1915

Washington, June 1.—The cotton crop of the United States showed a condition of 77.5 per cent of a normal on May 25, the department of agriculture announced today in its first condition report of the season awaited with interest by cotton, textile and other interests. That condition compares with 80.0 on May 25 last year, 74.3 in 1914, 79.1 in 1913 and 79.3, the average of the last ten years on May 25.

Until the government's official report estimating the area planted to cotton this year in issued on July 1, no calculation will be made by the department's experts as to the probable size of the crop. Officials estimate the area planted at from 6 to 10 per cent more than last year when the preliminary estimate made by the department in July was 31,535,000 acres. An increase of from 6 to 10 per cent in the area this year would place the acreage at from 33,417,000 to 34,668,500 acres.

Cotton planting was begun in the central and southern portions of the belt late in March and early in April but some early planted failed to germinate in Texas because of dry weather. Planting in the extreme southern portions was completed early in April and was progressing satisfactorily in central districts. Heavy frost in Texas April 9 killed considerable cotton in the low bottoms of Mississippi the ground was too wet for planting early in April.

Planting began in the more northern portions of the belt toward the middle of April and was growing favorably in the central districts, while in the southern parts it was reported to be coming to a good stand. Some replanting was necessary on account of frost damage through early all the central part of the belt. In Texas replanting was delayed by dry weather, and there was a lack of rainfall in the eastern parts of the belt.

Weather was generally favorable for cotton work in the southeastern states late in April but it was much too cool for proper germination and plant growth, and in some sections it was also too dry. Cut worms were doing some damage in the lower Mississippi valley.

Early in May it was found that much cotton seed had failed to germinate well, and a generally poor stand was reported, because of cold and dry weather. Conditions were somewhat improved during the first week in May but replanting was delayed in the southeast because of lack of rainfall. Chopping was going

on in most of the southern sections. Cut worm damage continued in parts of the lower Mississippi valley.

Toward the middle of May warmer weather prevailed in most of the cotton states and there was a decided improvement except where dry weather continued. Planting in the northern parts of the belt was finished toward the end of the month, but much replanting was necessary. Cultivation of the crop was going on vigorously in most sections.

Reports from the department of agriculture's correspondents and agents show the condition of the crop on May 25 as follows, with comparisons for the last three years and the average condition on May 25 for the last ten years.

	1916	1915	Ten year average
Virginia	89	88	86
North Carolina	76	88	82
South Carolina	65	83	78
Georgia	73	81	80
Florida	82	80	82
Alabama	76	78	79
Mississippi	83	82	80
Louisiana	82	76	78
Texas	78	79	80
Arkansas	87	84	84
Tennessee	86	85	81
Missouri	87	90	84
Oklahoma	85	76	81
California	97	82	82

The statement issued by the agriculture department says:

Conditions are reported best in the alluvial lands of the Mississippi river and its tributaries and southern portions of the gulf states east of the Mississippi.

Texas conditions are near the average, being best in central and northern portions. Practically all the western belt moisture has been ample and in some cases excessive.

Conditions are lowest in South Carolina, North Carolina and the northern half of Georgia due to a period of drought, happily relieved by beautiful rains immediately prior to date of report.

The tentative of issue of the tentative dates of issue of the department of agriculture cotton reports this season are:

- Saturday, July 1, condition as of June 25 and estimate of the area planted.
- Tuesday, August 1, condition as of July 25.
- Thursday, August 31, condition as of August 25.
- Monday, October 3, condition as of September 25.
- Monday, December 11, estimate of total production of the crop.

Some Queer Ones

Hog with six legs owned by California man uses all of them in walking.

Borrowing \$10 from friend, San Francisco man bought revolver with it and killed him.

Baby born in Georgia cemetery and buried alive by mother rescued eleven hours later and is doing fine.

When town authorities objected to poster of Wisconsin theater, owners put real overalls on the billboard figures.

Philadelphia zoo keeper dropped keys on locking himself in ostrich cage, and Gertrude swallowed them. Place deserted, he had to fight off ostrich two hours before rescued.

Husky schoolboy in Pittsburgh, Pa., threatened to duck teacher in watering trough because she ordered him to write a composition, but she heated a poker red hot and made him write it.

FATE OF THE CHILDREN WORST OF WAR'S HORRORS

Young Boys Drilled to Become Soldiers of the Future.

Of all the world's children the most fortunate are the happy, care-free children of America. From the White sea to the Black, from the plains of Poland to the English channel children have watched the battles of this war with fear and shrieking or have wandered homeless in tears and suffering.

Orphaned and desolate children, too little and too weak to speak for themselves, have died by thousands, killed by hunger and cold and war.

Will the war spoil the kiddies? All over Europe they are all of enemies, hatred and crude brutality.

In Germany the schools are the supply department of the army. The children are compelled by law to undergo physical training of semi-military character. Said General von Wachs, addressing 18,000 Berlin boy scouts: "You are reserved for the defense of the capital. The moment may come when the very existence of the country may depend upon you and lads of your age."

The youth of France has been called to the colors. "We should be guilty," urged the minister for war in the chamber, "if we did not prepare and drill these soldiers of tomorrow who may be called upon to snatch the final victory."

In England nonmilitary, compulsory service for boys is imminent. In the event of a long war the lads who are now fourteen must presently be recruited. No time is to be lost in organizing a system of military training in the schools so that they may be ready for what fate is in store.

An imperial ukase calls up Russia's new conscripts a year before their time.

France's eighteen-year-old recruits have left school or work for training, slaps of lads, hard to fit with uniforms, but high spirited and burning to fight.

In Prussia every youth of seventeen has already been summoned, and schoolboys of sixteen compelled to commence military drill.

Armies are not made up of human gruff, the incurable invalid, the semi-criminal or the feeble minded, but rather of the very lifeblood of the people. Only nations in direct need draft their coming men. For the next twenty years there will be fewer young men in Europe than ever before. Already the train has begun, and this is one of the unexpected and hideous results of the war. For there is nothing in war quite so terrible as the tragedy of the boy who is forced to become a soldier.

All Europe knows that in the world today no children have such opportunities for health and happiness as those of America.

REAL PATRIOTIC PIGS.

Harvard Man Hopes to Breed Them Red, White and Blue.

The production of a national pig by blending red, white and blue hogs is the aim and the promise of George C. Griffith, friend of August Belmont, Harvard graduate, one time manager of the Harvard Advocate and organizer of the Harvard Illustrated Magazine, who has given up the practice of law in Boston so that he may spend all his time at his farm in Peabody, Mass.

The blue hog is Mr. Griffith's latest successful experiment. August Belmont named that bred the supplies swine. Mr. Griffith's present purpose is to blend the red, the white and the blue into a patriotic pig. He has on his farm 3,000 hogs of black, red, white and blue colors. He has had so much success in the hog raising business that he has purchased farms in Salem and Washington. His first stock franchise is the largest in the east.

George W. East, 67, a Massachusetts pig raiser, was placed in the front of a school bus when it was stuck in a ditch. The bus was stuck in a ditch for two hours. East was the only one who got out. The bus was stuck in a ditch for two hours. East was the only one who got out.

DOMESTIC HARMONY URGED IN CHINA TO BAR INTERVENTION

Peking, June 1.—Alfred Sze, the Chinese minister in London, has wired to the foreign office urging that the north and south reconcile their differences as soon as possible in order to prevent foreign interventions. He advised the foreign office that the Japanese ambassador in London is constantly seeking a chance to get the British government to grant Japan a free hand in China and that England has not given a formal answer, but will probably be influenced by the conduct of the various factions in China.

Lu Ching-jen, the Chinese minister to Russia, has wired to the foreign office regarding the conclusion of the reported Russo-Japanese treaty, the most important section of which is declared to relate to Chinese affairs. The minister says this treaty will be signed in Petrograd in a short time. Although the terms of the treaty were not available in Petrograd when the minister wired, the publication of the alleged text in Tokyo has caused much uneasiness in China.

The Japanese legation in Peking has emphatically denied the Tokyo report to the effect that Russia has agreed to give Japan a clear hand in maintaining peace in China, thus recognizing Japan's special privilege in China. However, the Chinese press very generally credits the reports printed in the Japanese newspapers, and momentarily expects an announcement of the conclusion of the Russo-Japanese treaty.

Chinese newspapers express the opinion that Russia has been able to force other members of the Entente into an agreement to recognize Japan's special position as director of

Far Eastern Affairs. The Peking Daily

News says: "There are indications that Great Britain has it may be believed with reluctance and humiliation, consented to abstain from active interference while the teters are being fastened upon China."

"Do the people of China stand in need of any other evidence in regard to the deadly peril in which the country stands? While they waste their energies upon questions of comparative, a little importance as that which plunged the most mighty powers of Lilliput and Blefuscu into war—the question it will be remembered was whether an egg should be broken at the smaller or larger end—plan is being perfected to reduce their country to a state of vassalage. If there is any patriotism left in the hearts of those who are responsible for distracting the attention of the government to domestic brawls when national safety demands union and accord, they will repent and prove that their folly was of the head and not the heart."

Midway

Presbyterian Church Making Efforts To Have Model Country Sabbath School

The people of Midway Presbyterian church, located in the Hammond community, about 5 or 6 miles from Anderson, have the ambition to make their Sabbath school a model one in every respect. They have recently reorganized the school and are going to project a campaign for the enlistment of all of the people of the surrounding community in the work of the school. There have been most gratifying results. The labors already expended and the prospect for a flourishing Sabbath school are most encouraging.

One of the encouraging features in the interest of the young people there is a coterie of young people in that community who have an interest in anything that is good and uplifting and they are willing to the support of those who have the undertaking in hand. The music which is to be one of the strong features of the work is given over to the young people who have the organization of a splendid choir under advice ment Great things are expected from the movement. The choir is a o'clock every Sabbath afternoon. A very cordial invitation is extended to the public to attend the service at any and all times.

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