

Meeeting and Beating COMPEITION!



You will want **Good Merchandise at Reasonable Prices** this fall. We can produce the goods. No old goods bought at high prices, but new merchandise, much of it bought lately at a great saving for both us and the consumer.

Men's All-Wool Suits,
\$21.75 to \$29.75.
Young Men and Conservatives.

Boys' Wool Suits,
\$4.50 and up.

Johnson & Murphy Shoes
at \$16. The most durable Shoe in America.

Hart Schaffner & Marx
Clothes for Men sold on the closest margin
of profit possible.

Thompson Bros. Shoes
at \$13.00 to \$15.00.

Good all Leather Shoes at \$7.50.

If you like new goods of the best quality, at the most reasonable price, we can please you at all times.

The Bryan Clothing Company

Home of Hart Schaffner & Marx Clothes
SUMTER, S. C.

Phone 1055

Corner Hampton Avenue and Main St.

A BRIEF HISTORY OF BOLL WEEVIL CONDITIONS

(Continued from page two)

to be found in the South, where you and your children can make a good comfortable living and enjoy many privileges.

At Toledo Ohio several years ago, a negro came to me and asked me if I knew where he could find a good stand for a butcher shop in North Carolina. He told me that he was from North Carolina originally, I asked him why he wanted to leave Toledo and come back South,—he told me that he found Toledo agreeable in some ways, but that he was not permitted to work at his trade, and that he had to do jobs of various kinds to make a living. Just think of it,—I don't believe there is any locality in the South where a negro is not permitted to follow his trade. This man brought his wife to see me, and she told me that life had been quite different, with more difficulties than she had expected, and that she and her husband wanted to get back to North Carolina. This was a most respectable couple and after several years trial, they found the situation in the North not so easy as they had been led to believe it would be. Since that time conditions in the north have become much more serious for the negro, on account of the trade competition that I have mentioned.

My advice to the negro race, is—stay in the south,—live clean, decent, industrious lives; raise the standard of living in your homes, and you will find many a helping hand extended you by the southern white farmers merchants and bankers.

Soil Fertility is Fundamental
In any system of farming "soil Fertility is Fundamental." The arrival of the cotton boll weevil, the scarcity and high cost of farm labor, and the greatly increased cost of seeds and commercial fertilizers make it absolutely necessary for the farmer who is not in business for his health and pleasure, but for a good living to study and apply farm practices that increase crop yields.

Coastal Plain Soils Deficient in Organic Matter
Coastal Plain soils, generally speaking, are deficient in organic matter. In order that the most profitable production of crops shall be secured, even when using fertilizing materials, it will be necessary to so arrange the crop rotations that organic matter in considerable quantities will be turned back into the soils low in this material. In arranging the rotations, it should be planned as nearly as is practicable to provide, by the growing of suitable leguminous crops and turning them in, the required nitrogen in the soils for the nonleguminous crops of the rotation. In order to grow the leguminous crops of the rotation successfully and in some cases, too, the nonleguminous crops—it will be necessary to use liberal quantities of lime

on the soils. It is quite evident from the large number of acid or sour soils in the Coastal Plain section of South Carolina that not near enough lime is used by the farmers at the present time to secure the largest and most profitable production of crops. I believe that drainage, lime and cover crops will greatly increase the productivity of your soils.

A Blanket of Green
Let us put a blanket of green on every acre of our cultivated lands this fall. It will keep thousands of dollars of fertility from being washed away by the winter rains, and will increase our production next fall, besides adding to the attractiveness of our country. Bare desolate looking fields are a poor advertisement.

NOTE—Reference made here to U. S. Department of Agriculture, Farmer's Bulletin 1015. "Producing Family and Farm Supplies on the Cotton Farm," and to a "Safe Farming Program for the Southern States in 1920-1921."

The Fullness of Our Day
In closing I bring to you the words of Henry W. Grady, of Georgia, who as far back as 1888 gave voice to this vision.

"When every farmer in the South shall eat bread from his own fields and meat from his own pastures and disturbed by no creditors, and enslaved by no debt, shall sit amid his tenning gardens, and orchards, and vineyards, and dairies, and barn-yards pitching his crops to his own wisdom and growing them in independence, making cotton his clean surplus, and selling it in his own time, and in his chosen market, and not at a master's bidding—getting his pay in cash and not in a receipted mortgage that discharges his debt, but does not restore his freedom—then shall be breaking the fullness of our day."

G. A. Cardwell,
Agricultural and Industrial Agent.

DESTROY THE BOLL WEEVIL

Clemson College, October 25.—To make the cotton crop more certain and to make the weevil crop less certain for 1921 cotton growers should exert every effort, even if other work must be suspended, to give the right of way to the work of destroying millions of weevils just as soon as possible after picking is finished. This is accomplished by cleaning up the old 1920 cotton fields, including all trash and waste occurring around the fields. The weevils that will enter the cotton fields next spring are the weevils that stay over winter. After a crop is made the late growth of squares, blooms, and young bolls continue to be breeding places for the weevils. In old infested fields it is a common sight to find from one to six weevils to each growing plant in the field,

and this means from five thousand to twenty-five thousand per acre at the time of the first killing frost.

The weevils that develop late in the fall are the ones which are most likely to pass the winter safely. To prevent this late weevil development in the field is most important. Most of the weevils continue to feed and breed as long as green cotton may be found. Immediately after the first killing frost the weevils begin hunting for winter-quarters. During the cold weather of winter they are inactive and in hibernation.

Generally the weevils do not fly far from the cotton fields to go into winter quarters. The most suitable conditions for weevil-wintering are found in those fields in which cotton stalks, dead grass, weeds, fallen leaves, unkept hedge rows and creek banks occur. Experiments have shown that where those dirty conditions of the farm are allowed to exist during the winter, a tremendous number of weevils successfully pass the winter and attack the crop next spring. The farmer in weevil infested sections must choose whether he wants to destroy the weevils this fall or have them destroy his crop next season.

Following are some of the reasons why cotton fields should be cleaned up in the fall and stalks destroyed by plowing them under or by grazing:

- First, millions of weevils are killed outright.
- Second, the undeveloped stages of the weevil are destroyed with stalks.
- Third, destroying the stalks about two weeks before the first killing frost will weaken the full grown weevils by starvation.
- Fourth, the removal of the stalks

FARMING AND THE NEWSPAPER

"One of the most promising features of the country newspaper of today is the increased interest that it takes, and the increased space that it gives, to farming. The newspaper of the small town reflects better than any other institution the spirit of its community, and the greater attention now paid to farming betokens a greater realization that farming is the primary industry of this region and, for that matter, of the whole country.

"A few years ago it was exceptional to find a town newspaper taking any serious interest in farming. The newspaper of the old days was of

and for the town. Today the country newspaper publishes first-class articles on farming. It contains interviews with good farmers on agricultural methods and practices and plans. It publishes news and feature copy dealing with farming in the community. It is a representative of the country as well as the town."

The farmer has begun to realize that these are facts and to take greater interest in the local paper as a medium of service to him in his business. But there is room for greater appreciation of the local paper and wider use of it as an advertising medium for the sale of products as well as an important channel of agricultural news and information. Perhaps, too, there is room for keener realization on the part of the country newspaper of its opportunity and responsibility as a strong agency for the betterment of agriculture.

TIMELY GARDEN NOTES

Clemson College, October 26.—

Transplant Big Boston or Boston Market lettuce to the cold frames, setting the plants 10 inches apart each way. Lettuce planted now will mature for use during the holidays.

Early Jersey and Charleston Wakefield cabbage planted now in an open furrow will produce marketable heads two to four weeks earlier than spring set seedlings.

Gather all unripe tomatoes before killing frost. Wrap in paper and store in a cool place. When ripe specimens are wanted, put in warm room several days before needed.

London, Oct. 24.—The London Times correspondent at Milan sends a dispatch in which he says that Italy, which two months ago seemed on the eve of a Bolshevik upheaval, now gives the impression of being on the brink of a military coup d'etat.

"The Nationalist press," he asserts "is calling for a military dictatorship as a remedy against rampant Bolshevism and hails d'Annunzio as a suitable dictator."

Kill That Cold With

HILL'S
CASCARA BROMIDE QUININE
FOR
Colds, Coughs AND La Grippe

Neglected Colds are Dangerous
Take no chances. Keep this standard remedy handy for the first sneeze.
Breaks up a cold in 24 hours—Relieves Grippe in 3 days—Excellent for Headache
Quinine in this form does not affect the head—Cascara is best Tonic Laxative—No Opiate in Hill's.

ALL DRUGGISTS SELL IT

The History of Successful Men

always reads the same in the beginning. Persistent and Systematic Saving until an Earning Surplus is obtained.

Consistent saving will start you forward on the right road to success.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK.

W. C. DAVIS, President.
J. A. WEINBERG, Vice-President.
J. T. STUKES, Cashier.

Hill Plumbing and Heating Co.

Water Works, Lighting Plants,
PLUMBING, HEATING,
PIPELESS FURNACES, REPAIRS.
Next Express Office. Phone 155
MANNING, S. C.