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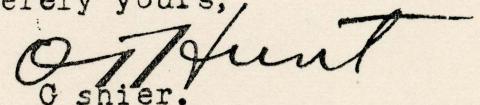
Since your first organization we have been active in trying to create an interest in this community. For a while it seemed that our efforts were bearing little fruit.

For the past two weeks, I have personally been out in the fields with our men. I am glad to make the report that the Sherman Chamber of Commerce was asked down to explain the matter and that this town has organized, offering prizes for the best results in this community, prizes to be graduated, and totaling about five hundred dollars. Then the farmers, or winners will have a chance at the County Prizes, and then to the State.

Our efforts have been rewarded far above expectations. Many are interested. We will have several in the contests, and those who do not contemplate doing so are thinking hard, and will be benefited thereby. Our grain acreage this year will almost triple that of last year, it will more than double. Several farmers are planting onions, hay crops, etc. that have been planting only cotton. We are about to arrive.

We thank you for your interest in the matter. We shall strive to do our bit.

Most sincerely yours,

  
O. T. Hunt  
Cashier.

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## THE DISTURBING TWAIN.

OUR astonishing country, where everything is possible and nearly everything probable, is witnessing a spectacle that well defends the truth of these assertions. Two Senators are "appealing" from the verdict of the Senate to the people a question which is no longer a question. To be successful they must convince a great majority of the people that the popular expression of the last campaign platforms not only was in error, but meant exactly the opposite of what it said.

One of the Senators is listed as a Republican and the other as a Democrat. The platforms of both parties explicitly declared for adherence by the United States to the World Court, President Coolidge repeatedly advocated such adherence, and he was elected by a popular majority that ran well above his party ticket. Fulfilling this triple mandate from the people, the Senate voted adherence to the World Court with reservations that all but nullified that action. Senators Borah and Reed now propose to

in this country. In Miss Talley's case the opportunity came early in life. In that only is her experience remarkable.

## FARM LEADERSHIP.

SEVEN HUNDRED Texas bankers representing the Seventh District of the Texas Bankers' Association, meeting in Fort Worth Monday, were practically unanimous in the opinion that continued devotion to one crop—cotton—by Texas farmers will forestall all efforts to place Texas agriculture upon a sound economic basis. Speaker after speaker reiterated the case against single-cropping. All of them believed an increase in the cotton acreage this year will result disastrously for Texas.

The astonishing thing about the situation is that despite the fact that every informed man believes that one-cropping is disadvantageous that it is suicide for Texas and the South to increase cotton acreage, there is actually every prospect that the acreage will be increased. Clarence Ousley, director of the "safe farming" movement projected at a recent South-wide meeting of bankers, business men and farmers, declared recently that there was little prospect of success as affecting this year's crop in the campaign to reduce cotton acreage. The "safe farming" movement contemplates a five-year program of education in the advantages of diversification as contrasted to the disadvantages of single-cropping, and the feeling is that all of the five years will be needed to convince farmers in the South of the folly of too much cotton at the expense of food and feed crops.

Texas can not afford another cotton disaster in 1926. Yet conditions are such that without genuine leadership and genuine assistance from the bankers and business men of the cotton growing communities, farmers will be forced to stake their all on the fickle crop again. Because of conditions as heretofore have obtained in farm financing, few farmers are able to free themselves from the tyranny of cotton. They must have the aid and the encouragement of those agencies to whom they look for credit, and they must have the co-operation of the entire community.

The Texas Bankers' Association has assumed a valuable leadership in this respect. Continuation of it to its logical limits will eventually make Texas the agricultural country it should be, where every farm will be able to stand independently, secure in its own resources, while cotton is relegated to its proper place as the servant instead of the master of the farm and the farm family.