

SOME STRIKING EFFECTS OF THE WORK.

*One boy eight years old borrowed \$30.00 from a State Loan Fund, purchased two pigs and now has \$160.00 worth of baby pigs, a sow worth \$75.00 and a male worth at least \$100.00. So this boy has about \$235.00 worth of hogs grown in eighteen months from \$30.00 worth of pigs. A farmer near Mt. Olive, N. C., has a son, who is a former corn club member, who made as much corn on 6 acres of the same land as he formerly made on 20 acres, 300 bushels. He has turned the farm over to his son. A questionnaire sent out to parents of club members revealed the following facts: One farmer says, 'Ten former club members are farming, one in college, farm meetings and club work have improved his farm, home and livestock. He is making 10 bushels more corn per acre, 6 bushels more corn per acre, 6 more wheat, 300 lbs. more oat-hay, 500 lbs. more peavine hay, and 150 lbs. more cotton.' Another farmer says, 'Farm, home and livestock improved 4 bushels more corn per acre, 400 lbs. more cotton, will make 30 to 40 bushels of corn per acre this year and 1200 lbs. of seed cotton per acre! Still another says, 'Farm, home and livestock improved, four children in the clubs.' He knows of twenty club members who are farming, four who are teaching school and he is making 5 bushels more corn per acre. One adult farm club member near Fayetteville, who had heretofore cultivated 12 acres in corn making a total of 125 bushels, cut to 6 acres this year and made 275 bushels of corn. He followed our farm plan for 1920.

From a loan fund of generous white people, under the supervision of the State Department we placed about 25 registered pigs among negro boys and girls. Through the generosity of the Hon. T. H. Meredith, Secretary of Agriculture, we have placed at our disposal \$2000.00 to be loaned to negro boys and girls to purchase pure-bred pigs and poultry. A great many have already been placed as will be seen below and ap-

plications for a great many more are coming in daily. This has proved to be a greater stimulus to the club work than prizes. We do not offer any prizes for negro club work, so many children will get discouraged over the failure to win a cheap prize and sacrifice the more fundamental and beneficial part of the work.

We have also assisted in planning and organizing the North Carolina Negro Farmers' Congress which meets semi-annually. The club agent serves as a secretary for the organization. It has been a great stimulus to the Extension Work generally, because we have the service of experts from the State Department of Agriculture on these occasions. This makes it possible for the department to serve us in ways that would otherwise be impossible. Much of the splendid work done by adult farmers referred to above may be attributed to the service of these experts.