

Thornton to Attend Cotton Conference

Vocational agriculture workers in Alabama will be represented at the annual Beltwide Cotton Mechanization Conference, August 17, 18 and 19 in Bennettsville, South Carolina, by S. N. Bottoms, teacher trainer, API, Auburn; and M. Thornton, vocational agriculture teacher, Montevallo.

Mr. Bottoms is representative for the Vocational Agriculture workers in the entire southern region. His work brings coordination and cooperation between these workers and the National Cotton Council in regard to cotton mechanization.

Mr. Thornton, who is president of the Alabama Vocational Agriculture Teachers Association, will be the only teacher in the cotton belt to appear on the program. He was selected for a part on the program due to his experience as a teacher in a cotton community, who had operated a good farm shop, held tractor clinics, farm machinery repair programs and is interested in doing a good job in farm mechanization.

Among those appearing on the program will be A. B. Kline, president of the American Farm Bureau, who will discuss "National Economic implications of Mechanization in the Cotton Belt." Merrill E. Pratt, president of the Gin Machinery Manufacturing Association, Birmingham, will speak on "Machine Harvested Cotton."

