

FROM WHERE WE STAND - Food Fads Versus Food Facts

Governor David L. Lawrence recently announced the appointment of a commission to draft a Pennsylvania food, drug and cosmetic act.

We feel this is a wise move. There has been a great deal of discussion of the use of chemicals in food production. Some of it has been of a 'scarce' nature. Numbers of people, no doubt, have been lead to believe that basic foods, such as meats and vegetables, are actually being poisoned.

Adjutant General Maj. Gen. A. J. Biddle, Jr., will head the State Commission, composed of public members as well as experts in the agriculture and public health fields. The commission will have the job of reviewing all existing state food, drug and cosmetic laws now in force and recommending new legislation to meet present day needs.

Governor Lawrence said in announcing the appointment of the commission, "Pennsylvania has been a leader in pure food legislation starting in colonial days."

The Governor went on to point out that changes in food processing and handling makes some of the existing legislation outmoded. The commission has been asked to suggest changes in legislation to bring regulations up to date with the changes which have come about in the last decade.

Despite a bombardment of food fads and all sorts of schemes to combat other ills supposedly caused by faulty foods, Americans still believe that good sound and solid food spell solid nutrition.

Homer Davidson, president of the American Meat Institute said recently, "The food supply of the nation is good. It deserves public confidence."

Other leaders in the fields of foods and nutrition share this view. Dr.—yellow jackets, hornet and Polistes.

Charles Glen King, executive director of the Nutrition Foundation says, "No nation in history has had for its entire population a food supply that would compare with our present supply in terms of nutritive value, safety, convenience, stability, variety, attractiveness and economic availability for everyone."

Dr. M. R. Clarkson of the U. S. Department of Agriculture says, "The laws enforced by the Department of Agriculture and the Department of Health give effective protection to the public."

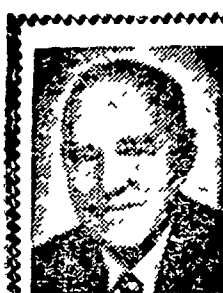
Dr. Frederick J. Stare of Harvard states, "As a physician and student of nutrition for the last 25 years, I should like to state categorically that I do not know, nor have I ever heard, of one single case of ill health that has been shown to be due to the addition of approved additional chemicals to foods."

Regulatory agencies have done a good job in the past and we have confidence that they will continue to do a good job of protecting the nation's food supply with or without the harangues of food faddists and cranks.

So you can eat those succulent steaks, nutritious and delicious dairy and poultry products, and those appetizing dishes of vegetables and fruits without worry.

At least that's how it looks from where we stand

More Americans will die this year from insect stings than from snake bites, according to an article in Today's Health, the American Medical Association's magazine. Most medical authorities are convinced that severe reactions to stings are the result of an allergy. The insects that cause most of the reactions are the honey bee, the bumble bee and three kinds of wasps



THIS WEEK —In Washington With Clinton Davidson Cocktail Diplomacy

It is time we in America face some hard, unpleasant facts, and that we make up our minds what we are going to do about them

Communism and the communist totalitarian form of government have been accepted by, or imposed upon, almost half of the people of the world Our Free World is growing smaller almost day by day

Democracy is in trouble, serious trouble, in many parts of the world. In no time in recorded history has there been so much worldwide unrest, turmoil and conflict during a time of "peace."

Christianity faces a challenge such as it has not known since persecution by the Romans almost twenty centuries ago Communists deny and ridicule the teach-

ings of Christ as vehemently as did the Romans.

If democracy is crushed, then Christianity will surely die There is no freedom of religion under a communist dictator, nor does communism recognize any of the other basic freedoms of a democracy.

Spread of Marxism

Half a century ago Karl Marx, author of the communist "bible," developed a program for world conquest from which his successors have never deviated It was, and is, a diabolical plan of deceit, disension and subjugation to discredit, then destroy democracy and individual freedom

Communist dictators don't want a military war for the simple reason they believe they can conquer the world without firing a shot. But, neither do they want peace, as we understand it, in the world There is no sincerity to their talk of "peaceful co-existence"

Russia and Red China will start a shooting war only if and when they become convinced that communism cannot conquer the world by other means Let us hope, then, that we are not goaded into a "hot" war out of despair of winning the "cold" war

For the Minds of Men

World War III is a struggle between communism and democracy for the minds of men It is an ideological battle waged with words in a propaganda war in which we have, so far, been almost

entirely on the defensive

Events of the past few months have brought into frightfully clear focus the deterioration of United States and Free World prestige in many areas of the world. We need to re-examine very closely many of the programs which make up the bulk of our basic foreign policy.

We have largely followed a program of cocktail and dollar diplomacy to win the support of governments. We have, in short, attempted to buy friends with military assistance and generous economic aid.

The communists, on the other hand, have been disturbingly successful in overthrowing many of those governments by infiltration into student and labor groups. They live with and work with people while many of our diplomats give lavish cocktail parties to entertain government officials

The record in Turkey, South Korea, Cuba, Japan and, more recently, the Congo should convince us that it is time to reevaluate and revise our foreign policies and programs The survival of

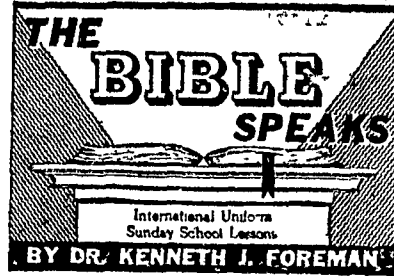
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Rural Rhythms WEEDS

By: Carol Dean Huber

Hoing in my garden, digging out the weeds, I have to start hoing when I plant the seeds Morning Glory, red root and crab grass I know Would take all the food my plants need to grow.

So it is with bad thoughts growing in my mind, Envy, hate, greed, and things unkind I'll uproot them—kill them as I should Before they grow big and smother out the good



Bible Material: Isaiah 5 1-24.
Devotional Reading: Romans 13 8-14.

After the Drinks

Lesson for August 21, 1960

THE BIBLE says not a word against whiskey. The reason is the same as the reason why it does not warn against too-fast driving, or the excessive use of sleeping pills, or flying a light plane in freezing rain. These are all ways of cutting life short, just as whiskey is. But the Bible does not mention them because they had not yet been invented. The Bible does warn us many times about the use of wine and the equivalent of beer. Most of the references to "strong-drink" could be translated "beer" without seriously changing the meaning.



Dr. Foreman

Death

The prophet Isaiah, looking about him in his own city of Jerusalem, saw a drinking people, men and women for whom social drinking was a well-established, popular habit. But he did not like what he saw. Furthermore, since an authentic prophet is one who sees with God's eyes, we can be sure, if we take the Bible seriously, that God did not like it either

Does God like it any better in America? In 1958, the last year for which figures are available, the sales of liquor stores were \$4,439,000,000. This is just about double what the public spent in shoe stores in the same year.

Liquor advertising accounts for some of this, to be sure. But liquor ads—very attractive they are, too—always show the liquor-drinker before the drinks, never after They never show the murders committed under the influence of alcohol, they do not show the wrecks caused by drinking (not necessarily drunk) drivers The ads show a man—before; they do not show him after his drinks have made him less than a man. "The grave has opened its

mouth," Isaiah said, "and his hard-drinking nation opens its mouth to mention the name of alcoholism"

A nation that spends much in liquor stores as stores has a very odd of values, to say the least, even the modestly opens the door to bes man (or woman) who can straight If you were to ated on, would you like the surgeon had just taken you to warm himself up you willingly fly in a plane knew the pilot kept himself well "juned up" between If you were a prisoner, would like to be sentenced by who had several drinks in robe? You would not be don't want important things for us by people even a tipsy, we should not want thinking for us with the even a little fuddled with The farther a man goes drinking habit, the bigger ger the bottle grows, bigger portance, that is Isaiah's a drinking nation calls "evil and good evil."

The Rotten Root

The people, the liquor people, that swarmed in city, he compares to a which the root is rotten blossom is dust They have their stamina, they will their enemies like dry grass a flame! (This came true, remember) One of the most ening features of America attitude of many leaders liquor. Charles A. Wells, tween the Lines" for Jan writes: "The favored to liquor gets in the U S Services, and in U S dip is notorious . . . Liquor ge ity treatment . . . The Ki cracking down on liquor in with severity, and preach briety and temperance—China Aie not the desp the American defense guilty of sabotage as mu they mined a bridge or put bomb in a plane? Narcotic knock themselves out gon dope-users and peddlers V nobody much bothers w enormously larger number addicts who drug themselves alcohol? Could it be bec many "Important People" same kind of drug victims

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Now Is The Time . . .

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TO DRENCH SPRING LAMBS—Frequent rains and the high humidity of the month makes it necessary for sheep growers to pay particular attention to the control of stomach worms in their flock, is especially true of the young lambs. These moist conditions are ideal for re-production of the worm eggs and the greater infection. Monthly drenching the spring lambs with phenothiazine or other worm killers is suggested

TO CONTROL WEEDS IN NEW SECTIONS

INGS—New stands of alfalfa or clover may be checked by rank weed growth this summer unless frequent mowing is practiced. Weeds are growing very fast and will shade the legumes unless kept mowed. In some cases the crop may be used for hay, or if too weedy, may be used for bedding In most cases they will be of such growth that they should be removed from the field.

TO CONTOUR SLOPING FIELDS—The plowing for winter grain is one good time to establish contour strips on sloping or hilly fields. If this is done, the wheat or barley may be sowed in every other strip and next spring corn or tobacco planted on the remaining strips Follow tobacco or tomatoes the entire field may be sowed to and then next spring the contours established, and every other strip plowed.

TO PREPARE UPRIGHT SILOS — Silo filling time is approaching and this is still one of the best means of storing a maximum amount of feed nutrients in a crop However many silos need treatment in order to make an air-tight storage. Wooden silos may have to be treated or some of the staves replaced and masonry silos will get pitted and cracked from years of use. The plastering or cementing these inside surfaces will lengthen the life of the silo and give a better quality of feed A silo must be air-tight before it will give good silage

TO CONCRETE TRENCH SILOS—The outlook for a corn crop seems promising at this time, this may mean that present silo capacity will not be sufficient; the trench silo can serve a very useful purpose for storing silage

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