

U. S. WANTS FOOD FOR 3-YEAR WAR

That Is Basis on Which Government Is Handling Great Problem

MUST SUPPLY ALLIES System, Conservation and Making Large Areas Self-Supporting Sought

WASHINGTON, April 19. America's war preparation, so far as conservation of foodstuffs is concerned, is going forward on a three-years-of-war basis.

During the first year America's task, as the President has pointed out, will be to finance and feed our Allies.

Farmers throughout the country are seeding the grounds for bumper crops. For a year America will have Europe to feed.

The industrial boom that has swept and still is sweeping the country has drawn thousands of men from the fields into the factories.

When France and England went to war their armies were recruited indiscriminately from every class.

America has not been blind to the moral of that experience. Workers in munition factories have been exempted from the operation of the conscription bill.

CONSCRIPTION FOR FARMS The farmhand should be exempt from conscription, the Department of Agriculture believes, else our crops will rot in the fields.

In addition to the shortage of men there is a shortage of fertilizer. Potash, which sold for \$40 a ton in 1913, sells for \$75 today.

Requisitioning a part of the Chilean nitrate supply for use of the farmers is unthinkable to the Department of Agriculture.

THE PROBLEM OF TRANSPORT When the labor and fertilizer problems have been disposed of, there remains one other colossal question with which the Department of Agriculture must wrestle.

For the last two weeks Carl Vrooman, Assistant Secretary of Agriculture, has been preaching this lesson to the South.

MAY REQUISITION AUTOS Making the South self-supporting in the food line will relieve the railroads of a billion dollars' worth of food from the North.

Roads across the continent should be built by army engineers, it is contended, if food can be transported in no other way than by automobile.

On the success of the Department of Agriculture in solving the problems before it depends to a measure the success of our war.

PATRIOTIC WINDOW DISPLAY WINS APPROVAL



There are many of these extensive exhibits about the city which are attracting a great deal of attention from passersby.

The Kid Has Gone to the Colors

THE KID has gone to the Colors And we don't know what to say; The Kid we have loved and cuddled Stepped out for the Flag today.

He pruned to watch the recruiting, Where, fired by the fife and drum, He bowed his head to Old Glory

The Kid has gone to the Colors; It seems but a little while Since he drilled a schoolboy army

His dad, when he told him, shuddered, His mother—God bless her!—cried; Yet, blest with a mother's love,

Not Too Late to Make a Start on Luscious Fruits or Decorative Shrubbery—How to Handle Stock, Plant and Prune

By JOHN BARTRAM

I have been asked if it is too late to plant fruit trees and shrubbery, such as lilacs, spiraea, deutzia, etc.

When stock is first received, unpack and look it over carefully, pruning off with clean cuts any broken or bruised roots.

HOW TO PRUNE It is best to prune after the stock has been planted rather than before.

HANDLING THE STOCK Should the stock arrive in a frozen condition, put the package in a cool, dark place and keep it well covered up where it will thaw out very slowly.

HOW TO PLANT In digging holes for setting of trees keep the top soil in one pile and the bottom soil in another.

GARDEN QUERIES ANSWERED

Planning for Large Plot T. E.—Your lot is of an unusual size, but is of sufficient proportions to insure a garden on a somewhat larger scale than those which have been mentioned.

Making Over Poor Soil F. P. W.—Your back plot should be made over by the following method:

Tobacco Land to be Planted to Potatoes MARIETTA, April 19.—In order to add to the productivity of the country in the settlement of the food question many farmers are not going to plant tobacco this year.

MAY CHOOSE HICKS TO CLEAN STREETS

Administration Leaders Seem Determined to Create Separate Bureau

FAVORABLY REPORTED

City administration leaders apparently are determined to create a Bureau of Street Cleaning, thus preventing the further heavy fining of contractors for failure properly to perform their work.

Councils today received a favorable report on the plan to divorce street cleaning from the Highway Bureau work.

Robert Hicks, who now occupies a confidential position in the Department of Public Works, is said to be slated for the \$3500 place of chief of the new Bureau of Street Cleaning.

Many of the fines imposed by Chief Connelley have been remitted under orders issued by Director Datesman, and as he probably will complete his term as head of the combined bureau in May, he will have but one more opportunity to pass upon the delinquencies and neglect of the municipal contractors.

Director Datesman, who has been much criticized because of his actions in regard to fixing street-cleaning contractors, today declined to discuss the statement of the City Solicitor.

POLICE BAND CONCERT STYLED MUNICIPAL NIGHT

"Hail Philadelphia," by Bandmaster, Feature Tonight at Metropolitan Opera House

The second concert of the 1917 series of the Police Band will be given as "Municipal Night" tonight in the Metropolitan Opera House.

The full program for tonight's concert is as follows: March—"Caesar's Triumphal"..... Mitchell

Standard apples..... 30 x 10 Sour cherries, plums, peaches, apricots..... 18 x 10 Dwarf pears, dwarf apples and pears..... 10 x 10

NEW YORK, April 19.—The sale of the library of the late Joseph E. Leary, of Montreal, Canada, brought \$5340.10 at the Anderson Galleries yesterday.

BILLY SUNDAY PREACHES IN ROCKEFELLER HOME

Nearly 300 Members of Wealthy Families Hear Sermon Pitched in Modified Key

NEW YORK, April 19. Billy Sunday, with Mrs. Sunday and Homer Roddeaver, his choir leader, held services today in the home of John D. Rockefeller.

Sunday preached a subdued sermon within the heavy and gold walls of the Rockefeller ballroom, and although he dropped much of his slang he took occasion to urge his hearers not to "play tag with God."

Sunday asked the wealthy women present to send their servants to his meeting.

GUGGENHEIM HOUSEBOAT STICKS IN THE WAYS

Mrs. Murray Guggenheim Smashes Champagne Bottle All Right, but Hull Is Obstinate

Mrs. Murray Guggenheim, wife of the copper magnate, made a perfect smash with the bottle of champagne that christened her new houseboat Leonie when it slid down the ways of John Mathis & Co.

Among those in the launching party were Mr. and Mrs. Murray Guggenheim, Mr. and Mrs. Edmond Guggenheim, Mrs. Lotus Geis, Clarence Meyer, W. W. Robinson and officials of the company.

FARMER SMITH ADVISES PITMAN SCHOOL CHILDREN

PITMAN, N. J., April 19.—Farmer Smith, chairman of the EVENING LEDGER, spoke to the pupils of the upper grades in the public schools here today.

Farmer Smith received a special invitation from County Superintendent Steelman, and was introduced to the boys by Supervising Principal Davis.

The principal point in the Farmer's address was covered by the title of his talk, "Back to the Soil."

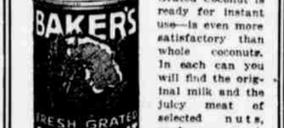
Organize "Motorcycle Minute Corps" LANCASTER, Pa., April 19.—The motorcycle riders of Lancaster city and county are forming the "motorcycle minute corps," which will be offered to the Government for service as soon as the organization is perfected.

Save This Recipe for Coconut Snowballs

Drain milk from can of Baker's fresh coconut by emptying coconut in piece of cheese cloth, press well to remove all the milk, now measure milk and add sufficient water to make 1 1/2 cups.

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In Cans, Not in Paper Packages NOT a Desiccated Coconut



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NATURALIZATION COURT STORMED BY HUNDREDS

Many Arrive Before Dawn and Two Clerks Cannot Handle Applications

The Federal Building at Ninth and Chestnut streets has become almost a modern Tower of Babel. Speaking many different languages, hundreds of aliens are flocking there daily, all eager to declare their intention to become American citizens and to obtain, if possible, more protection under the Stars and Stripes.

Three hundred aliens stormed the office of the Naturalization Court in the Federal Building today. Some went as early as 3 a. m. and waited patiently until the office opened.

The rush for naturalization papers in the Federal Building is so great that though the chief clerk, William Seltzer, and his assistant, Winfield Holland, are kept working like beavers, many are turned away daily.

Many of those who apply comment on the fact that there are only two clerks. When the rush becomes too great many of the aliens are sent to City Hall.

Advertisement for Wilbur's Cocoa, featuring an image of a cocoa tin and text describing its quality and availability.

Philadelphia Girl Wins... en's Singing Contest... Miss Marie Loughney, of Lancaster, has been announced as the winner of the singing contest of the National Federation of Women's Music Clubs, held in Bristol, Pa.

Advertisement for Peggy's Blouse Shop, featuring an image of a woman in a blouse and text describing the shop's offerings.

Advertisement for Dewees, featuring text about quality waists and bed spreads, and a price list.

Advertisement for Dalsimer Footwear, featuring images of various styles of shoes and text describing the footwear.

Advertisement for Dabir's Corn Remedy, featuring an image of a bottle and text describing its effectiveness for corns.