

**NEW WHEAT ORDER
MILITARY NECESSITY**

Hoover Puts U. S. on Honor to Comply With Requirement

24 OUNCES A WEEK

French Need Food, Says Commissioner, as 1917 Harvest Is Already Exhausted

Washington, March 25.—Although the new wheat-four conservation rules draw nearer the line of rationing than any previous orders, the success of the new program must depend to a considerable extent on the patriotic support of the American people.

Food administration officials assert that the new program limiting wheat-four products to one and one-half pounds for each person a week is absolutely a military necessity, and that any one who intentionally violates it commits a dangerously unpatriotic act.

Obstruction of the new conservation regulations will not be tolerated by the food administration.

Plans for keeping a close check on commercial bakers have been announced, to see that all use the increased amount of wheat substitutes—25 per cent—as ordered by the administration. State food administrators will take such action as may be necessary to enforce the rules will be handled by officials here, who are empowered to revoke licenses and force delinquent food handlers out of business.

Private persons who may seek to hoard to gratify their appetites while patriotic citizens are co-operating in the conservation of wheat will meet equal severity, it was said, and the requisitioning yesterday of large stocks of grain held by New Mexico men of German extraction will be followed by similar action where the evidence warrants.

Systematic inspections of commercial bakeries was determined upon to protect from the unscrupulous the majority of bakers who are observing loyally all food-conservation regulations.

Andre Tardieu, French high commissioner to the United States, has addressed an appeal to the American people to send as much wheat flour as possible to France during 1918, and the food administration must depend upon the cooperation of the people to meet his request, Mr. Tardieu said.

The daily bread consumption of the civil population of France has been reduced from twenty-six ounces to ten and one-half ounces. Last year's harvests were scanty and are already exhausted. To continue to feed Belgium, America must greatly increase her wheat acreage this spring and reduce her own wheat consumption.

That all farmers sow more spring wheat than ever before and that every American family raise its own vegetables this year, will be the appeal to the people by 25,000 four-minute men, starting today.

It will not be difficult for housewives to obtain more than their share of wheat-flour products if they are inclined to exercise their ingenuity in such directions, but in view of the present situation officials have no hesitancy in saying that such acts would strike straight at the heart of the war in the United States and fighting and would make the task of the American soldiers all the more difficult.

\$500 GIVES BIBLES TO WHOLE REGIMENT

So Announces Committee in Drive for \$400,000 to Take Word to Trenches

"Equip a regiment with Testaments." That is the call sent out in connection with the drive for \$400,000 to supply Bibles to Uncle Sam's soldiers and sailors. A contribution of \$500 will supply a regiment of 2000 men with Testaments, according to the Rev. Dr. Frank P. Parkin, of the American Bible Society, who is directing the campaign in Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware.

Twenty-five cents will put a khaki Testament in a soldier's pocket. The demand for the Gospel of St. Mark, published in English and French in parallel pages, is taxing the output of the publication house.

A gift of \$500 opened the campaign. The executive committee, of which Doctor Parkin is chairman, includes George I. Bodine, Jr., the Rev. L. N. Caley, Henry G. Delinger, the Rev. Dr. L. W. Eckard, Charles T. Evans, John P. Fox, the Rev. Dr. Edward Yates Hill, Henry Hodgson, the Rev. Dr. R. H. Moberg, William S. Pilling, the Rev. Dr. William Dayton Roberts, the Rev. Dr. Floyd Tomkins, Ass. S. Wing, Walter M. Wood, the Rev. Dr. D. Ketchum, of Trenton, A. H. McClintock, of Wilkes-Barre; William H. Peck, of Scranton, and George W. Penman, of Pittsburgh.

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A DIGGER MAKES VERSE WHICH MIGHT BE WORSE

Hog Island Graders, Covered With Grease, Unfurled a Flag and Loose Dove of Peace

A Robert Service picks his lyre and sings of pallid hearts averse to do great deeds amid grease and mire. When the Lyndon's lead was won, and when the first new ship was made, a patriotic duo was paid by husky men to make the grade in this department of the trade: a snow-white dove of rock wing and thus the poet laureate did sing.

For stubborn skin troubles

Resinol

Even in severe, well-established cases of eczema, ringworm or similar affections, Resinol Ointment and Resinol Soap usually relieve the itching at once and quickly overcome the trouble. Physicians have prescribed this simple, efficient treatment for many years.

GIRL FARMERS OFF TO AUGMENT GREAT LAND ARMY



Uncle Sam's most enthusiastic volunteers in the great land army that is preparing to boost food production are the girls and women engaging in the patriotic and useful outdoor work. The girls in the photograph are shown just as they were about to start for Bryn Mawr from the local office of the women's committee, Council of National Defense. They wore old clothes and were prepared to begin work at once. In the front row, left to right, are Florence Leaver, Alice Lear, Edna Schwinn and Ruth Super. Back row, left to right, Helen Boyle, Agnes Leaver and Estelle Schwinn.

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DIVORCED 20 YEARS AND DIDN'T KNOW IT

Girl He Took as Bride Thirty Years Ago Is Now Again Wedded

Pittsfield, Mass., March 25.—Henry Rathbun, married here in 1888, has just learned that he has been divorced for twenty years. He discovered this interesting fact about himself when he was shown official documents bearing the signature of Robert O. Morris, clerk of courts of Hampden County, which showed that Bertha Rathbun had been divorced from Henry Rathbun on May 11, 1888, and he also learned that Bertha Rathbun had been married again.

Henry Rathbun, of this city, and Mrs. Bertha Dingham, of Westfield, were married in Pittsfield by Town Clerk Frederick A. Prentiss, in 1888 and went immediately to Philmont, N. Y., and three weeks later, according to Rathbun, his wife left him. Later they were reunited and went to Springfield to live but she left him again. Since that separation Mr. Rathbun has wandered about considerably. He has lived in Schenectady, N. Y.; Hartford, Conn.; Canada and elsewhere. A short time ago, while employed as carpenter at St. Francis Hospital in Hartford, Conn., he was informed by his wife that he was no longer compelled to contribute to her support, but he had never received notification of her divorce from him.

May Turn Lake Bed Into Farm

Pott, Ark., Feb., March 25.—A plan is under way to drain White Lake near here, in order to get good farming land for immediate use. The lake covers 17,000 acres, and averages only six and one-half feet deep. An outlet into the White Fish River that would completely drain it could be made for a few thousand dollars. It is said the reclaimed land would make excellent farms.

Skunk Cabbage Kills 1. Makes 2 III

Catesville, Pa., March 25.—As a result of eating skunk cabbage in the woods here last Saturday afternoon, Cecil McCollum, fourteen, son of Frank McCollum, is dead and Harry Marley and Paul Eckenrode, each twelve years old, are seriously ill in a local hospital after eating the plant. The boys fell over unconscious and were later seized with convulsions.

SCENARIO TO SCREEN AND IN BETWEEN

Interesting Novelties in the Photoplay World to Be Offered Locally This Week

By the Photoplay Editor

Mabel Normand and Fatty Arbuckle are the comedy headliners at the Stanley this week in new productions.

"The Son of Democracy," which is featuring Benjamin Chapin as Abraham Lincoln, is an added attraction at the Victoria and other theatres.

The Bluebird Theatre will offer "Barbery Sheep" tomorrow, with Elsie Ferguson in the chief feminine role.

Robert Warwick, who is now a captain at Camp Dix, is the featured player in "The Family Honor," to be shown tomorrow at the Apollo.

An entire French street was built to give atmosphere to "Le Miserables," which is to bring Wm. Farnum to the Liberty on Wednesday.

Edith Storey's first Metro picture, "Revenge," will be the play for tomorrow at the Princess.

A story of Russia is told in the cinema version of "The Rose of Blood," in which Thekla Bara is starring. It will be Friday's feature at the Savoy.

Viola Dana and her director-husband, John Collins, are to return East, where they will make more pictures of the quality of "A Weaver of Dreams," which is to be at the Rialto tomorrow.

This is request week at the Cedar, where each play is from the Paramount program.

Rita Jolivet is the star in "The Masque of Life," to be at the Imperial on Friday. A trained monkey does some wonderful acting in an important part.

Vaudville is given in addition to the photoplays at Alhambra.

CHICAGO'S CHINESE TO CULTIVATE SOIL

Celestials Purchase Wisconsin Marsh Lands and Will Become Farmers

La Crosse, Wis., March 25.—Nine hundred Chinese, a substantial portion of Chicago's Chinatown, will invade Monroe and Juneau counties in the vicinity of Tomah, this spring for the purpose of farming certain marsh regions.

More than 1200 acres have been purchased already. It was learned, and the Chinese will desert the laundries of the Windy City to leave the cold and raw spring of chilly Wisconsin. The objective of the yellow men will be agriculture. They intend to raise the humble "pau," the odoriferous onion, the carrot, the radish and other American vegetables and, before the summer has progressed far, hundreds of acres of soil will be under cultivation. It is expected. Fifteen Chinese families left Chicago early in March for Mather, Wis., and others will follow at intervals. They will have the benefit of expert advice from a representative of a Stockton, Cal. farm colony.

BLIND BOY SCOUTS ATTAIN FIRST CLASS

Lads of Overbrook School First Sightless Ones to Pass Severe Tests

Three blind Boy Scouts today were admitted into the ranks of first-class scouts. The lads, who are the first three blind boys in the world to pass the first-class examination, are from the Pennsylvania Institution for the Blind at Overbrook. Their names are John Burth, Alvin Huber and W. O. Weber.

To become proficient in the duties of a first-class Scout the boys were obliged to pass twelve tests in swimming, tent-making, hiking and botany. They were required to deposit \$2 of earned money in the bank. Young Weber earned the money by playing the piano at entertainments. They particularly excel in first-aid work.

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Report to Chief of Ordnance Shows Excellent Record of Local Institution

Frankford Arsenal is the most efficient in the United States, according to a report that has just been made to the chief of ordnance of the United States army showing results of tests made of powder being manufactured at various Government arsenals. And not only the quality of powder taken up optical repair work, following the discovery that lenses used by American aviators, of German manufacture, were 18 per cent out of vision in some instances. This is believed to have caused a number of accidents at the aviation training schools.

The ordnance department today issued a statement concerning the schools at the arsenal. It follows:

"The greatly expanded quantities of artillery, motor vehicles and other equipment used in the present war have entailed a corresponding large repair service, and this has been established by the Ordnance Department to the end that the material of the artillery shall be efficiently and economically maintained.

"For the special training of the maintenance and salvage personnel, the Ordnance Department has established a number of special training camps and schools, such as a school for equipment repairs, at Rock Island Arsenal, machine gun repairs at Springfield Army, optical work at Frankford Arsenal, more equipment repairs at Peoria, Ill., and field artillery repair at Rock Island Arsenal.

In addition certain field artillery officers and enlisted men have been sent to ordnance training camps to receive instructions in the handling and care of motor equipment.

"Virtually all of the commissioned, and a considerable number of the enlisted ordnance personnel instructed in these schools, has been obtained through direct recruitment.

"Charges that the raid was made for the purpose of intimidating the Italian vote of the Third Ward and swinging it into the Vare line were made by Frank Licata, the proprietor of the place in which the club has its rooms and a member.

"Politics caused the raid," and it is only a miserable, underhanded trick scare us into an acceptance of the Vare leadership and away from Harry Trainor," said Licata. "This club is composed of respectable residents of this section and is a chartered organization. For some time we have been expecting something of the kind, and it is only a repetition of the 'Bloody Fifth' raids upon the Carey Club in September.

BEGGAR HANDLESS, TAKE TOEPNITS

New York, March 25.—The whole and curves of Joseph Stalman's toes today were solemnly filed away in New York records. Stalman, arrested for begging, has no hands, so the police did the next best thing in taking his record for identification.

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