

**INDIVIDUAL RESPONSIBILITY IN WARTIME**

The demand for men to serve in the army is fast making serious inroads upon the forces engaged as producers of food, fabricators of munitions of war and guardians of the sick. Our Indian corn is standing uncut in the fields while other foodstuffs are rotting in the ground for the want of human hands to work them. The prospects are that the home army which produces these things necessary to support our boys at the front, is going to be still further reduced in number.

This condition of things makes it obligatory for each individual to take care of his own health as well as to be his "brother's keeper."

Today, the point of our talk will be on a custom of the retail druggist and of those who have contagious and infectious diseases at their homes.

Take as an example what may very well be a typical illustration in the case of a child suffering from scarlet fever. The doctor leaves his prescription, which is sent to the retail druggist to be prepared. The medicine is sent home and given to the patient. There being signs of improvement, the doctor orders the prescription renewed.

The bottle that has been kept in the patient's room is sent to the druggist, who is busy putting up a prescription for another child who only has a bad stomach-ache. The druggist takes the bottle from the scarlet fever patient in his hands, but, being in a hurry to get the prescription off to the patient suffering from stomach-ache, sets the bottle down and puts up the powders with his infected fingers.

One of these powders is given to the patient directly out of the paper from the druggist, with a result that in a few days she has a slight sore throat, etc. The doctor is sent for, and informs the anxious mother that he very much suspects scarlet fever.

The bottles, boxes or jars in which prescriptions are put up, should never be returned to the druggist from a house where there is a contagious or infectious disease. These communicable diseases have to be quarantined to prevent them from becoming epidemic.

Thus in the case mentioned above, the illness of the second child would probably make necessary the isolation of some wage-earner in its family, man or woman, and thus cause the economic loss of one who contributed not only to the support of

those at home but also to the upkeep of the soldier boys at the front.

Let us take care to keep well, that we may produce our share of the winning of the war fought to free the people of the world.

**ANOTHER "SEIZURE" STORY**

If the farmers of Pennsylvania hear a story that the Government is seizing potatoes they may put it down as a falsehood. Such a yarn has been going the rounds in New England and in New York. During the past few days it has been heard throughout the northern part of Pennsylvania.

The Government, according to this tale, sent its agents to the growers and a record was taken of all potatoes in storage. The stocks were then commandeered in the name of the Government and to make certain that they would not get away a red tag was placed upon the bin.

It was all a very circumstantial story but it was not true. When the attention of the officials of the Food Administration was called to it an investigation was made. It was traced from one source to another and finally it was discovered that a man who has heard the story in a lodge room had sent it to a local newspaper.

The Pennsylvania Committee of Public Safety announces that it has been assured by the Federal Food Administration that no potatoes have been seized by the Government and there is not the slightest likelihood of any such action being taken. The farmers of Pennsylvania can go ahead with their plans to raise a great crop next season without fear of interference.

**WEEKLY WAR NEWS DIGEST**

**Alien Enemies Receive Fair Treatment and Pay for Their Labor**

The interned Germans at the station at Hot Springs, N. C., are not prisoners of war. They comprise officers and crews of the German merchant vessels which were held in the United States at the time of the declaration of war.

These aliens receive no funds from the Government except compensation for labor actually performed. Those engaged in construction work get \$20 a month, with an additional \$5 to foremen. Interned officers have not been permitted to receive from any source more than \$10 a month and crewmen not more than \$5. Receipts in excess

of these amounts are placed to the credit of the aliens in banks.

Three plain but substantial meals are prepared each day. There is no waste, the same measures of economy and conservation which are being urged upon every American housewife being practiced at Hot Springs.

**New Foodstuffs Are Recommended for Use in Germany**

Concentrated straw fodder and ground grape pits are suggested for table use in Germany. In a published list of new foodstuffs, with descriptions of use, the following are also found:

Rhubarb leaves, seaweed, straw meal, crushed and ground maize ears, heather stalks, ground sugar-beet, parsley seed, wild radish husks, bran, wine yeast, beechnut cake, fish meal, and various mixed foods.

Attempts have recently been made in England to establish the use of rhubarb leaves as greens, but it appears that such food is dangerous. English newspapers have reported several cases of illness following the eating of rhubarb leaf blades.

**Army Medical School Safeguards Millions by Culture and Use of Vaccines**

The laboratory at the Army and Medical School has shipped since April 1 sufficient typhoid and paratyphoid vaccines to inoculate every man in the Army.

Throughout the process of making the vaccine is guarded against any contamination. It is then stored in sealed vessels in locked refrigerators, to which only the two officers in charge have keys, and none of these vessels is ever moved, except in company of one of the officers. In more than six months of large-scale production not a trace of contamination has been found.

One of the tests of the vaccines includes the inoculation of a mouse, a guinea pig, and a rabbit. If too much tricesol (a coal-tar product used as a preservative and to kill the bacilli) had been added, the mouse would be killed. Should tetanus germs be present both the mouse and the guinea pig would be killed. With the emulsion correct, as it must be to be used, no animal is killed, and the guinea pig and rabbit are not visibly affected by the inoculation.

# Christmas Gift SUGGESTIONS

## Our Large New Holiday Stock

Offers in great variety really desirable and useful presents for people of all ages and is a most popular stock in every respect because of its CHOICE SELECTIONS, TRUSTWORTHY VALUES AND FAIR PRICES.

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The Store That Stands First in the Service To Men The Year Round Becomes Patton's Gift Center Now

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## These Gift Suggestions Offered. Make Early Selections

Overcoats for men and Trench Coats for young men, \$18 to \$25 in every good style and fabric.  
Overcoats for children in the very latest styles, \$3 to \$8.50 and youth's Overcoats Trench models \$12.50 to \$15.  
Suits for men \$15 to \$30. Trench Suits for young men in all the newest fabrics \$15 to \$25.  
Boys' and children's Trench and Norfolk Suits. Novelty weave and serges \$3.50 to \$10.  
Men's Boys' and children's Mackinaws, all the very latest styles, \$5 to \$9.  
Men's Ralston Shoes, in all the latest styles, Black and Mahogany tan \$6 to \$8.50.

Beacon Shoes, Black and Mahogany tan, English leather and Neolin soles, \$4.50 to \$7.00.  
Ladies' High Lace Boots in all styles and color, \$4 to \$8.  
Stetson Hats, the very latest, \$4.50. Other Hats, \$2.50 to \$3.50.  
Men's and Boys' cloth Caps 50c to \$2.  
Children's Toques in all colors 50c to \$1.  
Men's Felt and Leather Slippers \$1 to \$2.  
Ladies' Felt and Leather Slippers, in all colors and styles, \$1.00 to \$2.25.  
Gift Shirts, handsomest line ever, at 75c to \$2.50. Wonderful Silk Shirts \$3, \$3.50 and \$4.

Children's Felt Slippers 50c to \$1.25.  
Neck wear, the richest of colors from 25c to \$2.50.  
Gloves for every purpose and Gloves for everybody. Prices 25c to \$3.50.  
Sweater Coats in the new Army Styles, \$1.50 to \$7.50.  
Pajamas and Night Robes, prices \$1 to \$2 for men and boys.  
Bath Robes for Ladies, also for Men and Children, \$2.50 to \$7.50.  
Silk Reefers, all the new and correct styles, prices 50c to \$5.  
Gift Handkerchiefs in boxes for everybody, 10c to \$2.

Plain and initialed at 10c to 50c. Fancy Silks 25c to 50c.  
Traveling Bags and Suit Cases for Ladies and Gentlemen. Prices \$2 to \$15.  
Men's Interwoven Hose in all the latest shades 35c to \$1.  
Ladies' Silk Hosiery 75c to \$2.  
Umbrellas for Ladies and Gentlemen \$1.25 to \$5.  
Spats for Ladies, Black, White and Gray—Price 50c to \$1.50.  
Pocket Books and Bill Folds for Men and Boys, 25c to 75c, and Money Belts at \$1.50.  
Collar Bags for Men in Black and Tan Price \$1 to \$2.

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