

OUR DEFENSE

In the spring we may be attacked at any moment. Toxic poisons pile up within us after a hard winter, and we feel "run-down," tired out, blue and discouraged. This is the time to put our house in order—cleanse the system and put fresh blood into our arteries. You can obtain an alterative extract from Blood root, Golden Seal, Stone and Queen's root, Cherry bark, rolled into a sugar-coated tablet and sold by most druggists, in sixty cent vials, as Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. This is blood tonic, in tablet or liquid form, is just what you need for "Spring Fever," for that lack of ambition. It will fill you full of vim, vigor and vitality.

Chilliness, when other people feel warm enough, is a sign of biliousness, or of malarial poisons—so is a furred or coated tongue, loss of appetite, headaches or giddiness, and a dull, drowsy, debilitated feeling. It's your liver that's at fault. You want to stimulate it and invigorate it with Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets. With every trouble of the kind, these tiny little things act like a miracle. You can break up sudden attacks of Colds, Fevers, and Inflammations, with them. They'll give you permanent benefit for Indigestion, Constipation, Sour Stomach, Sick Headache, and Dizziness. They are small and pleasant to take, and the most thoroughly natural remedy. Twenty-five cents at most drug stores.

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TABLE TALK AT ITS BEST

Excellent Recommendations From Those Who Were Recognized as Highly Proficient in the Art.

"Table talk," says Leigh Hunt, "to be perfect should be sincere without bigotry, differing with discord, sometimes grave, always agreeable, touching on deep points, dwelling most on seasonable ones, and letting everybody speak and be heard." There is a story of a Frenchman at one of Rogers' breakfasts who listened to Macaulay's endless eloquence, and, seeing another talker waiting his chance, fastened his eyes on Macaulay and muttered, "S'il vousse, il est perdu." In regard to the part of anecdotes in table talk, I quote two opinions. "He who has stored his memory with slight anecdotes, private incidents and personal peculiarities," according to Dr. Johnson, "seldom fails to find his audience favorable." "Of all the bores," exclaimed De Quincey, "whom man in his folly hesitates to hang, and heaven in its mysterious wisdom suffers to propagate his species, the most insufferable is the teller of good stories."—Exchange.

Up to Date.

Marcella—Is Bennie Beanbrough still painting houses for a living?

Waverly—Yes, but he doesn't call it that now.

Marcella—What does he call it?

Waverly—Camouflaging residences.

—Youngstown Telegram.

Her Pet Name.

"Isn't you husband devoted to the races?" "Just crazy about them. I call him my better half."

Some men's littleness is by far the biggest part of them.

Nobody ever regrets having done the right thing.



A Package of Grape-Nuts teaches food conservation.

Saves FUEL SUGAR TIME WHEAT AND WASTE.

SOLD BY GROCERS.

DAIRY HERD CAN GIVE MORE MILK

Make Improvement by Becoming Member of Co-Operative Bull Association.

SUPERIOR SIRE ESSENTIAL

Production Can Be Greatly Increased in Single Generation and Greater Economy Effected—Scrub Worth More as Beef.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Every dairy herd should produce the maximum of milk at the minimum of cost. This is a war need—produce more food at the least cost of feed. To do this the scrub bull must go. The co-operative bull association has sounded his death knell. No longer can he retard dairy development and hinder efficiency.

By breeding to superior sires milk production can be greatly increased in a single generation and greater economy effected. It has been impossible for the 4,000,000 farmers who produce the bulk of this country's milk supply, but who own an average of less than ten cows, to use bulls of high quality because of the great expense. By joining a bull association any dairy farmer may own a share in an excellent purebred bull at a cost far below that ordinarily paid for a scrub. The initial cost is smaller and the maintenance cost is very much less.

Scrub Bull Worth More as Beef. Dairy bulls are judged by their ability to increase the production of their daughters over the dams. Scrub bulls can only decrease production—thus



Good "Head" of the Herd.

lowering the efficiency of the herd. Their harm is not ended in one generation, but continues indefinitely. With beef at exceptionally high prices, sell the scrub bull, for his meat value far outweighs his dairy worth. A common practice for the farmer with a few cows is to breed to the nearest bull, regardless of breed, breeding, or conformation, and as a result dairy herd improvement is slow.

The cost of bull service also falls heavily on the commercial dairyman with a small herd, as bulls must be changed every two or three years to avoid inbreeding. As a rule, therefore, he buys a bull calf from the nearest farmer who keeps the breed in which he is interested. Too often cost is the first consideration. Too seldom is the bull purebred, and even then authentic production records of his ancestors are not usually available. The result is lack of improvement.

What a Bull Association Is.

A co-operative bull association is a farmer's organization whose purpose is the joint ownership, use, and exchange of three or more high-class, purebred bulls. The territory covered by the association is divided into three or more breeding blocks, and a bull is stationed in each block for the service of the 50 to 60 cows in the block. Every two years the bulls are interchanged. Thus, at small cost, a bull for every 60 cows is provided for six or more years. The cost of bull service is thus greatly reduced, the best of bulls are obtained, and the man with limited means and only a few cows is enabled to improve his herd. Bulls of outstanding merit are preserved for their entire period of usefulness. Associations of this kind teach co-operation, encourage careful selection of cows and calves, introduce better methods of feeding and management, intelligently fight infectious diseases of cattle, and assist in the marketing of dairy stock and dairy products. Assistance in organization may be obtained by writing to the Dairy Division, Bureau of Animal Industry, United States Department of Agriculture.

One fact cited by the dairy specialists in support of the co-operative bull association is that about three-fourths of the 23,906,000 dairy cows in the United States are owned in herds of less than ten cows. The owners of these small herds in many cases can not afford to maintain purebred bulls, and for such owners the bull association offers the only practical remedy for the poor quality of dairy cattle. Through bull associations they can improve their cattle and decrease expense.

SUCCESSFUL GARDENS ON DIFFERENT SOILS

Good Tilth and Abundance of Plant Food Are Important.

Sandy Loam Is Excellent, as It Warms Up Early in Spring and Enables Gardener to Get His Plants Into Ground Soon.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

GARDEN FOR EVERY FARM

It is particularly important that every farm have a well-cared-for garden this year—to furnish fresh vegetables for home use, to reduce the cost of living and to increase the nation's food supply. The quantity of vegetables produced from the garden depends to a great extent upon its location. Give the garden the best site available.

Soils in good tilth and well supplied with plant food produce the best gardens. Successful gardens, however, can be grown on all kinds of soil from light sands to mucks and heavy clays.

It is often possible to select a site with soil that will yield better results with less labor than nearby plots with less favorable soils. Good soil is essential to a successful garden. If the soil in the selected garden site is poor, it must be put into good condition before satisfactory results can be expected. Even where the soil is good to start with, it will be necessary to spend considerable time in improving it by cultivation and fertilization before it is in first-class condition for the production of vegetables.

A sandy loam is an excellent type of garden soil. Sandy soils, as a rule, warm up earlier than others in the spring, and enable the gardener to plant his crops early. Soils too sandy dry out very rapidly and the crops are liable to suffer from drought.

The lay of the land has considerable influence upon the time when the soil can be worked, and a gentle slope toward the south or southeast is most desirable for the production of early crops. It is an advantage to have on the north and northeast a hill, a group of trees, some evergreens, a hedge, buildings, a tight board fence, or a stone wall in order to break the force of the wind.

Drainage Is Important.

Good drainage of the garden area is of prime importance. If this does not exist naturally, it may be supplied by tillage or by artificial drains. The surface of the land should have sufficient fall to drain off surplus water during heavy rains, but the fall should not be so great that the soil will be washed. On hillsides washing can be overcome to a considerable extent by contouring the rows so as to cause the rains to run off slowly. The garden should not contain depressions in which water will accumulate or stand. If the surface is irregular, a little soil can be taken from high places and the low ones filled. Waste water from surrounding land should not flow toward the garden, and the fall below should be such that there will be no danger of it backing up. A garden site on the banks of a creek or stream that will be liable to overflow during the growing season should not be selected if any other land can be had.

A good fence around the garden plot is almost indispensable. It should protect the crops from all farm animals, including poultry, and should be tight enough to keep out rabbits.

The question of proximity to the house is of great importance in locating the garden as the character and contour of the ground. In every case it should be as near as possible, so that the work of caring for the crops may be done at odd times and the vegetables quickly secured by the housewife. A kitchen garden located near the kitchen door is a convenience in thousands of homesteads. It is desirable even where a separate larger garden is utilized for the production of the main portion of the vegetable supply for the family.

Importance of Sunlight.

In selecting the location for the garden and in planning the arrangement of the crops, the gardener should understand that no amount of fertilizer, watering and care will replace sunshine. Careful consideration should be given to how many hours a day any part of the proposed garden space is shaded. As a rule, foliage crops, such as lettuce, kale and spinach, do fairly well in partial shade, but must have a minimum of three hours of sunshine a day. Plants which ripen fruits, such as the tomato and eggplant, should have a minimum of five hours' sunshine each day.

WAR FUEL SLOGANS

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)
 Keep up with the war program—burn wood.
 Cut a cord and help win the war. Save coal for munition industries by burning war fuel.
 Now is the time to cut wood. Coal is scarce—there's "wood to burn."
 Wood is wartime fuel—cut it and burn it.

Rabbits Thrive Anywhere. Rabbits thrive and do well in all parts of the country.

CHARLES M. SCHWAB
 In Complete Charge of Construction of U. S. Merchant Marine.



APRIL 26 LIBERTY DAY

By Proclamation of President Wilson Is to Be a Holiday.

Requests People of the United States to Assemble in Afternoon and Pledge Anew Their Support.

Washington.—President Wilson issued a proclamation setting apart Friday, April 26, as Liberty Day.

The President's proclamation is as follows:

By the President of the United States of America:

A proclamation.

An enemy who has grossly abused the power of organized government, and who seeks to dominate the world by the might of the sword, challenges the rights of America and the liberty and life of all the free nations of the earth. Our brave sons are facing the fire of battle in defense of the honor and rights of America and the liberty of nations. To sustain our gallant associates in the war a generous and patriotic people have been called upon to subscribe to the Third Liberty Loan.

Now, therefore, I, Woodrow Wilson, President of the United States of America, do appoint Friday, the twenty-sixth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and eighteen, as Liberty Day. On the afternoon of that day I request the people of the United States to assemble in their respective communities and liberally buy, pledge anew their financial support to sustain the nation's cause.

Patriotic demonstrations should be held in every city, town and hamlet throughout the land under the general direction of the secretary of the treasury and the immediate direction of the Liberty Loan committees organized by the federal reserve banks. Let the nation's response to the Third Liberty Loan express in unmistakable terms the determination of America to fight for peace, the permanent peace of justice.

For the purpose of participating in Liberty Day celebrations all employees of the federal government whose services can be spared may be excused at 12 o'clock noon, Friday, the 26th of April.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done in the District of Columbia, this 18th day of April, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and eighteen, and of the independence of the United States of America the one hundred and forty-second.

By the President:
 WOODROW WILSON,
 ROBERT LANSING,
 Secretary of State.

9 AMERICANS SLAIN IN MEXICO.

Four Killed on Same Floor of Hotel Near Tampico.

New Orleans.—Nine Americans were slain at and near Tampico, Mexico, a fortnight ago, according to a report made by Captain F. M. Sadler, just returned. "Four of the Americans were killed on the same floor of the hotel at which I was stopping the night of April 6," said he. "There are many Germans in the city, and they are pronounced in their attitude of dislike toward Americans."

FOR \$40,000,000 EXPRESS MERGER.

Plans to Consolidate All Companies Into One Before United States. Washington.—Express company officials discussed with the railroad administration a proposal to consolidate companies into one corporation which would be authorized by Director General McAdoo to conduct all the express business in the country. The corporation would have a capital stock of about \$40,000,000, divided among the companies in proportion to the physical valuation of their property.

PENNSYLVANIA BRIEFS

Dr. F. E. Downes was re-elected superintendent of Harrisburg schools and Frank E. Shambaugh, superintendent of the Dauphin county schools.

More than 1200 members of the building trades union of Sharon received an advance in wages ranging from seventy cents to \$1.15 a day. Every scale was signed by the contractors. The stoneasons, carpenters, bricklayers, plasterers, lathers, tinners and others are affected.

George Oswald, fifty-six, of Reading, was arrested at Kutztown as he was getting away, the detectives say, with almost \$200 he had stolen from the cash register of the Avondale hotel, where he had been employed as clerk. He was brought back to Reading and committed to jail.

Although Henry Johnson, aged forty-five, of Coleraine, near Hazleton, was stricken with paralysis a few hours before he took out a marriage license to wed Miss Annie Wisemiller, aged thirty-five, of Coleraine, the knot was tied by Rev. Father J. H. Weymans, of St. Mary's Catholic church, Beaver Meadow. The groom's entire left side is helpless.

At a public sale in Lehigh county last week a small flock of White Holland turkeys, including a thirty-pound gobbler, brought eighty cents a pound. The bidders did not desire them for show or fancy purposes, wanting them merely for ordinary farm breeding. This is by all odds the record price paid for turkeys in this region.

A purse with \$200 in gold was presented to Rev. James Edgar Skillington, pastor of St. Paul's M. E. church, in Hazleton, at a reception tendered him by the congregation in honor of his return for his fifth year.

Knocked down by a bull which suddenly turned on him at his farm near Lycoming, S. L. Quigel sustained a fractured rib and internal injuries, and would have been gored to death but for the defense of Mrs. Quigel, who drove the beast off with a pitchfork.

Peter Keller, aged fifty-six, father of eleven children, died at the State hospital at Hazleton, from the kick of a mule at Highland colliery of the G. B. Markle company.

With a chorus of amens from its members, Stribury school board voted to do away with the study of German. Asked when it was to stop, the reply was, "not another lesson." Months ago the students tore the kaiser's picture from their text-books.

After carrying a piece of steel in his eye the last forty-three years, Jacob Reed, former justice of the peace, of Mount Carmel, was relieved of it when it worked to the surface and was removed by a physician.

Shippensburg is in the throes of another mad dog scare, following the biting of Mrs. William Walker by a black Russian hound, owned by J. C. Phillips. The case is being investigated.

John Schofield, a Reading railway officer who shot a fourteen-year-old school boy while chasing trespassers several days ago, has been held in \$500 bail at Berksboro for a hearing. A reward of \$1000 has been offered by John Haller, an Altoona baker, for the name of the person who has started a widely circulated report that ground glass or other poisonous ingredients have been placed in the bread made at his plant.

An alien, who stirred the United States and tore down a Liberty Loan poster at the Lehigh Valley station, Allentown, was set upon by two score workmen, waiting for a train, and was badly beaten before the police rescued him.

Allentown's open-air school, maintained by philanthropic women for children physically deficient, had sixty-two pupils during the winter, the maintenance cost averaging 12 1/2 cents a day.

Suit for \$5000 damages was brought by Anthony Krize, Jr., ten years old, and his father against the Deppen Brewing company, of Reading, to recover for an accident to the boy last September, when a keg of beer fell off the company's truck and crushed the boy's leg.

It is figured out that Mauch Chunk's Liberty Loan quota will provide for our fighting forces five fighting airplanes, fifty motortrucks, 500,000 rounds of infantry ammunition, twenty-eight Lewis machine guns, three hospital wards of fifty beds each and a motor ambulance.

Caught by a belt and hurled against a moving wheel, Charles McCreary, fifty years, of Spruce, near Clayburg, was instantly killed at the plant of the General Refractories company. The belt caught in his clothing and threw him directly into a huge fly-wheel operating a crusher. His skull was fractured.

Construction of the Kame to Kanesboro highway of vitrified brick has begun.

The Fifth ward school, of Lewisport, inflicted a service flag representing pupils who are over seas.

George Rem, a Shamokin carpenter, slipped from the ledge of a house to a brick pavement, suffering a fractured skull.

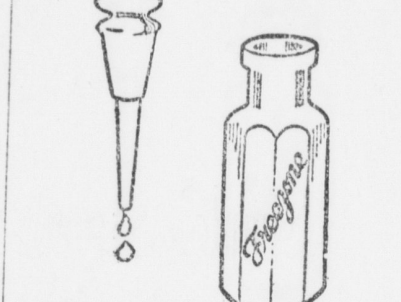
Lancaster hotel and restaurant men agreed unanimously to use 50-50 bread and made arrangements with local bakers to make it.

Hazleton's Shakespear tree planted last year in honor of the tercentenary of the Bard of Avon by the Women's Civic club, was officially pronounced dead.

NO CAMOUFLAGE IN THIS STORY

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Let Everybody Do It.

A correspondent of the Minneapolis Journal writes to say that he has voluntarily reduced his consumption of wheat, meat and sugar by 30 per cent. Under compulsion, he says, he would gladly reduce it by 60 per cent or even more, for then he would be assured that everybody was doing it, whereas now there is every possibility that some pro-German or slacker is gobbling up or wasting all that he saves. This constant urge to voluntary sacrifice places all the sacrifice upon the good citizen, while the unpatriotic citizen goes free. The principle is undemocratic; which is to say that in a democratic country it is entirely wrong. Only through compulsion in food conservation can justice be done to the sacrificing patriot.—Winnipeg Telegram.

To keep clean and healthy take Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets. They regulate liver, bowels and stomach.—Adv.

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