

REQUIRE ALL DEALERS TO MAKE REPORT

War Emergency Food Survey Being Carried On.
Clemson College, Sept. 14.—The United States Department of Agriculture is sending out forms to manufacturers, jobbers and other interests of the food trade. These blanks are required to be filled out, giving an inventory of the food-stuff the dealers have on hand and in transit.

This is the result of an act known as the War Emergency Food Survey and is authorized by congress and signed by President Wilson. The blanks call for returns on 103 items.

Those who are required to make report are the following: Elevators, mills, dealers, canners, bakers, confectioners, manufacturers, jobbers, packers, groceries, hotels, and department and general stores dealing in groceries.

The exemption of retail grocers whose stock of food and feed materials are less than \$1,000 does not apply to other dealers. Each retail grocer with less than \$1,000 worth of stock should fill in the blanks at top of page 2 and 4, and enter under question 1 an estimate of the usual value of his stock on hand and return the form.

Hotels, restaurants, commissaries of railroads, steamship companies and industrial concerns, and of schools, colleges, hospitals, sanitariums, correctional and other public institutions, and other large users of food and feed materials are required to report their holdings whether large or small.

The blanks may be obtained by writing to Fred W. Hofmann, Field Agent in Marketing, Clemson College, S. C.

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SOME GOOD ADVICE.

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Price 60c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Chance has twice publicly recommended. Foster-Milburn Co. Props., Buffalo, N. Y.—Adv.

SELECT BREEDING STOCK WITH CAUTION

Clemson, College, Sept. 14.—There is an increased interest in South Carolina for breeding stock. Hogs are especially in demand. Buyers should be cautious in selecting and thus avoid having animals off in type and breed characteristics. The selection of good sires is of vital importance as the sire is "half the herd." Many hogs are being offered at public sales. This is a good way to disseminate good livestock and unfortunately it is a means of rapidly scattering poor animals. There are opportunities to buy both good and bad stock, therefore purchase only those animals that possess the essential characteristics of the breed and are known to be free from disease.

IN THESE DAYS.

The hardest work an industrious farmer can do is nothing—the hardest thing for him to dodge is success.

BERMUDA IN FOOD CRUSADE

Government of Island Colony Urges Farmers Not to Rely Further on Imported Supplies.

United States Consul Carl R. Loop, at Hamilton, says: The department of agriculture of Bermuda has issued a leaflet for general distribution throughout the colony, urging on the farmers the necessity of growing larger quantities of food for home consumption. It says in part:

"The government is most anxious that farmers and others realize the importance under present conditions of increasing local food supplies. The high prices of imported foodstuffs, which are likely to be still further increased in the future, add very greatly to the cost of living, and at the present time it is a patriotic duty for all, to do their utmost to insure the practice of economy in every department of life.

"Heretofore the farmers of the colony have depended too much on imported and too little on home-grown foods. The present aim of every farmer should be to produce as much food for his family and live stock as he can grow with economy, and to have a surplus to sell. By so doing he can greatly reduce his own cost of living and at the same time lessen the colony's dependence on imported foods. The high cost of imported foodstuffs should increase the demand for local grown foods, and a market would seem to be assured, especially for potatoes, both Irish and sweet, and pigs."

BIRDS WOULD CONSERVE FOOD

If the Eastern states alone could bring back the quail, the rose-breasted grosbeaks and other bird benefactors they would save \$15,000,000 a year in the price of materials used to kill potato bugs.

Charles P. Shoffner of the Liberty Bell Bird club made this statement, the Philadelphia North American states. He made a plea for the birds as a means of conserving the nation's food resources.

"If Pennsylvania had but one pair of robins to the acre," he said, "the birds would consume 3,600 tons of insects a day. The nation loses \$1,000,000,000 a year through ravages of insects which the birds can eliminate.

"Next year the country must double its crop output to feed its army. It is necessary, therefore, to have the best crops we can obtain, and the way to obtain them is by bringing back the birds."

Mr. Shoffner explained the importance of erecting bird houses to take the places of the thickets, the hollow trees and other natural nesting places for the birds which have disappeared.

Keep Your Fish Dry.

Strange as it may seem there is nothing in the world that will spoil a dead fish so quickly as water. If your fishing conditions are such as to prevent your keeping your catch alive, by all means kill each one as quickly as caught, and having done so dry it and keep it dry. Remember that a fish strung through the gills and thrown overboard is doomed to a speedy death by suffocation. If you must string them use one of the patent stringers that holds through the jaw and gives the fish a fighting chance for life. If, however, you can neither treat your catch in this way nor turn them loose in a tank, kill them instantly, wipe them quite dry and keep them sheltered from the sun. Fish should not be packed so that they come in direct contact with ice; place a sheet of nonabsorbent paper between. Avoid damp moss or seaweed in your creel.

Blossoms for Dead Soldiers.

One of the most prosperous agricultural districts in France at the present time is in the near neighborhood of Toulon, the Mediterranean seaport not far from Marseilles, and therefore far distant from the scene of war.

But the war is to this district the most important source of its prosperity. For its chief product is those tiny, long-lasting flowers known as "immortelles." They go, in vast quantities, to decorate the graves of French soldiers. In early spring the fields planted with them are densely carpeted with the blossoms—associated in everybody's mind not with life, but with death—which are picked in early morning, before the dew is off the ground, and shipped, via Toulon, to all parts of France.

True Friendship.

"We are all inclined to lean too much on friendship; to depend not on our own souls for strength, but on the strength that comes from other souls. So the building in process of erection has many props to support it; but as it nears completion prop after prop is knocked away, and it is secure only as it rises firmly in its own foundation. No friend can bear our burden for us; the most he can do is to help us to bear it well, prompting us to endeavor by his sympathy and wisdom. If we have so used friendship that we have lost the power to stand alone, we have misused it.

Use of Soy-Bean Oil.

Soy-bean oil has been studied with other oils in a series of experiments carried on by the office of home economics and found to compare favorably with the more common culinary table oils with respect to the thoroughness with which it is assimilated.

TO MAKE GARDEN PROPERLY

There is Only One Way to Do It Right, and That is to Leave It All to the Missus.

Gardening, so far as man is concerned, is much like hanging pictures. Man can expect neither to hang the framed portraits of his wife's relatives, nor to locate the nasturtiums, the poppies and the candytuft, to her satisfaction. We have tried both and have failed every time, says the Detroit Free Press.

If we give Grand Aunt Elizabeth Ann, as she was when seventeen years of age, done into crayon from a cabinet photograph and framed in genuine black walnut, the prominent place over the mantelpiece, the missus decides that she should have been placed on the east wall near the window. If we give her the east wall she must go over the mantelpiece. It makes no difference what picture gets the spot on the south wall, some other should have had it.

And so it is with the garden seeds. After we have carefully agreed on what to plant the trouble begins. We proceed to the garden, while she remains in the house to get the children ready for school. At last, weary and sore, and feeling that we have invited a return visit from inflammatory rheumatism, we announce that the job is done; the seeds are in.

She comes out to inspect the work. It won't do at all. It is not what she thought we were going to do; it is not what she wanted. We have put the nasturtiums where the mignonette should have been.

The poppies were to have been near the house and they are by the back fence. And we have given the zinnias the space she had selected for the china asters. Nothing is right.

She might have known better than to have trusted us to do the work. It will have to be done all over again. Anybody who has ever tried to gather up mignonette seed after it is once planted knows how quickly a man will lose his temper when that proposition is submitted to him. There is only one way to plant a garden properly—that is to let the missus do it.

PLANTS MILLIONS OF TREES

Planting plans for the Pennsylvania forests, allotting 3,800,000 forest tree seedlings for this year's reforesting operations, have been approved by Forestry Commissioner Conklin, the Philadelphia Record states. In addition to these trees for the state forests about 1,775,000 trees will be distributed free of charge to private individuals and corporations interested in reforesting. Almost 400,000 will be used by water companies in reforesting barren watersheds upon which boroughs and cities depend for their water supply. This number, although probably greater than that to be planted by any other state in the Union, is almost 2,000,000 under the record set by Pennsylvania last year. The reasons are shortage of labor and shrinkage of the labor appropriation of the department of forestry to almost microscopic size.

Candlestick Architecture.

At a certain quaint little restaurant in Greenwich village, N. Y., there are some self-made candle decorations which are oddly interesting. The candlesticks started out by being the ordinary slim brass affairs, but the drippings of countless candles have been allowed to accumulate until round the base of every stick there has formed an intricately delicate grotto of white wax. The formation is about ten or twelve inches in diameter in each case, the wax has run down and hardened into tiny caves, craggy precipices and other features, in miniature, similar to the great stalactite caves. Streaks of soft green have been added to the white by the verdigris forming on the brass and coloring the wax as it melts. The wax grottoes have grown to such proportions that the candlesticks are entirely concealed and the lighted candles seem to rise out of the roofs of the dainty caves.

Gum Popularized by War.

American chewing gum is developing into one of war's blessings. Welshmen are reported crazy over American chewing gum. A report of the department of commerce says that loads of this jaw exerciser can be sold if we only go after the market. Pieces of chewing gum to retail at a penny each are steadily finding favor among the old and young alike. The people of Wales are sending loads of gum to their men in the trenches because along certain lines of the trench the soldiers are not allowed to smoke and they have to be doing something, so they chew gum. Men and women working in the munition factories do not dare to smoke, and consequently another enormous demand for gum.

One Way to Pay.

The small boy and his mother had been taken to luncheon at a rather nice restaurant; no mere sandwich and cocoa with a bit of éclair at the end, but a real luncheon that began with grape fruit and finished with ice cream. And there was to be a matinee later. Perhaps that is what hurried him, for he said: "Isn't it time to go? What are we waiting for?" "To pay the waiter and get some change," explained the hostess. "That's not the way," retorted the small boy scornfully. "I've been out lots with mother. You take the check with you and then you pay the cashier."—New York Sun.

GOLFERS TO DO THEIR SHARE

Young Men Whose Names Are Most Prominent in Tournaments Will Be With the Colors.

What effect war will have upon American golf is a question that is easily answered. At first blush to say that war will practically kill American golf during the continuance of hostilities seems like evil tidings, but upon consideration and reflection a different aspect is revealed. One need only look to the home of the royal and ancient game to perceive why American golf, by which is meant golfing competitions among the ranking players, must surely be no more until peace returns, says Golf Illustrated. The officials of the baseball leagues are declaring that war shall not make them close their gates, but that is an example which golf cannot and will not follow. There are no gates to close in golf save the clubhouse door which the golfer will shut behind him when he goes forth to serve his country. No lure of the links kept the golfers at home in Britain and none will keep them here. The organization and machinery of the game will be carried on by the members beyond military age, but the younger men, the men whose names fill the first flights in the tournament rosters will be with the colors if the nation needs them. It was so in Britain and it will be so here. Golf would not be golf were anything else to happen.

BOOTING CROOKS NEW SPORT

"Booting the pickpocket" bids fair to become the national pastime unless the police interfere, says a correspondent at Buenos Aires. Pocket picking on street cars has become a great nuisance and a local newspaper offered a novel method of combatting the thieves.

"One of the tricks much practiced," it explained, "is for one person to stoop in the doorway of the car to tie his shoe lace or to pick up some object. Thus he obstructs the movements of the victim whose pockets are emptied by the stooper's associates. Brief and vigorous action is best. Kick the offending person into the car without mercy. He will express surprise, but this is better than being robbed."

The plan was an immediate hit. It proved such good sport that the slightest sign of a genuflection in the doorway of a street car is generally the signal now for the genuflector to land instantly on all fours in the middle of the aisle. No end of fights have resulted and the police are threatening to interfere. Meanwhile the pickpockets are devising other tricks and are receiving few of the kicks.

The Missing Purse.

On board a warship which was in the thick of the battle of Jutland and was well hammered by the enemy many poor fellows lost the number of their mess and many more were sadly wounded. Among these latter, writes the chaplain of the grand fleet, was a sailor whose leg was so much shattered and lacerated by a splinter of shell that there was nothing else to do but to amputate it above the knee. The poor wounded man was practically unconscious from loss of blood, so the surgeons were not able to tell him of their intentions before operating. Some hours later he recovered consciousness and found himself comfortably tucked up with the stump dressed and bandaged. When he learned what had happened he broke into an agonized cry. No, not for the crippling he had undergone; his cry was: "Where's my leg? For 'evin's sake, and my leg, somebody! It's got all my money in the stocking."

Garden Out of a Swamp.

Hiram Wixon, formerly of Aurelius the man who added hundreds of thousands of dollars to the wealth of his neighbors, is dead, the Detroit News states. Wixon years ago conceived the idea of doing gardening in Aurelius swamps, which comprise many acres. He was regarded as at least mildly insane when he went into the swamp and cleared a place for a vegetable garden. Farmers and scientists proved conclusively that nothing could be raised successfully because of the water and the nature of the soil, but Wixon kept on despite ridicule. When he raised a bumper crop many others followed his example and in time a large part of the swamp was conquered. Wixon worked out a drainage scheme by means of a series of ponds which he stocked with carp. The fish grew to immense size and also added to his income.

His Negligence.

"Grand avenue was jammed with motors and street cars, and there was a fire run just as I tried to cross," explained skinny little Mr. Meek. "I literally took my life in my hand and—"

"Yes, and probably that was just where you lost the package of bird seed," interrupted his wife. "I cannot trust you to bring anything home."—Kansas City Star.

Not on the Map.

Farmer Brown—Look here, mister, the war map you sold me ain't correct. Shopkeeper—Really! How do you know that? Farmer Brown—My boy has written home and says he's just going to Reconnoiter. But I'm hanged if I can find the place marked on the map!—London Tit-Bits.

UNUSUAL COTTON PRICE MOVEMENTS

Buying During Week Stimulated by Increasing Complaints of Crop Deterioration in Southwest

New York, Sept. 14.—There have been very violent price movements in the cotton market during the past week. The declines of the earlier month doubtless left a much stronger technical position and this was reflected in an early week activity, which carried January contracts up to 20.67, or about 80 points above the low level of last Saturday. Buying was also stimulated by increasing complaints of crop deterioration and report of an advancing spot basis, particularly in the Southwest.

Eastern belt advices indicated heavy shedding, which some attributed partly to lack of potash in fertilizer issues. More damage by boll weevil was reported in central belt sections and the fear that it might be necessary to scale down crop estimates was also promoted by rumors that preliminary returns to a Southern authority indicated a falling off of 4.5 points in the crop's condition since August 25. As soon as the demand from shorts slackened, however, the market developed renewed weakness under a belief that the recent better weather would hasten picking and lead to increased spot offerings, which offerings were further prompted by the weekly report of the weather bureau. Recent rains buried the top crop prospect in Texas. Prices made new low ground for the season during the break in the middle of the week. The news from both Austria and Russia was considered encouraging and there appeared to be a hope in some quarters that Germany's reply to the pope's peace proposals might possibly open the way for negotiations. It was feared that expected rains in the Eastern belt would delay picking and thus slow up the movement as a result of which it might be difficult to fill September or October spot engagements. January sold up to 20.55 this afternoon or about 110 points above the low level of the week but broke sharply, closing at 20.12 compared with 20.16 a week ago.

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LANSING DISCUSSES SWEDEN'S ACTS.

Swedish People Not Held Accountable for Unneutral Cables by Swedish Minister in Argentine.

Washington—The United States does not hold the Swedish people to account for the unneutral acts of the Swedish minister in Argentine, according to Secretary of State Lansing. Whether or not the United States has information that the Swedish Government was a party to the plot, Secretary Lansing refused to say.

If the disclosures mean that Sweden will be dragged into the war, the first step must be taken by the government against which the offense took place—Argentine—Secretary Lansing stated. It also was pointed out that unneutral messages were sent over great Britain's cables.

The United States has not asked Sweden for an explanation. Secretary Lansing admitted, although he gave strong intimation that an explanation was expected.

The Secretary said that the United States Government's statement was the first intimation that the Argentine Government had of the unneutral acts.

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