# In These United States

# Montanan Urges Farmers to Sell Wheat and Save World

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WASHINGTON, D. C.—Farmers should deliver their wheat to the government and do it now, if we are to save the lives of millions of persons who are wasting away from starvation in many countries of the world.

> FOOD . . . Col. Thomas D. Campbell, Montana wheat rancher, urges sending of wheat to Europe to feed the starving. At one time he farmed 96,000 acres.

> > **AVIATION NOTES**

FLYING BATHTUBS

Drs. C. F. Code, E. H. Wood and E. J. Baldes of the Mayo aero

medical unit told physiologists at the first session of the Federation of

American Societies for Experimen-tal Biology that if the pilot of a

fighter plane could sit in a bathtub full of water while he was doing

fast turns, loops and other evasive maneuvers he would be much less likely to "blackout." Men were spun around on a centrifuge to test

the effects of immersion in water as

protection against blackout. With

water up to just below the breast-

bone, the men were protected against

the effects of acceleration to an

amount expressed as 0.9 g. When the water level was raised to the level

of the third rib, the protection was 1.7 g., which is comparable with the

protection given by the special anti-blackout suits. GRANGE AND AIR

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The National Grange, speaking for 750,000 families, has said: "Transportation by air in the postwar period will assume an economic importance to agriculture and to the nation as a whole far beyond that which existed prior to World War II."

Today's Q. and A.
Q.—What is "seat of the pants" flying?

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A.—It was flying in the old days before there were instruments. When the plane went up or down or tipped, inertia of the flyer's body changed his position in his seat enough for him to feel the difference and he could sense the position of the plane accordingly. In the airlines nowadays a pilot can tell where he is and the citized of his plane.

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at every moment entirely by instru-ments even in the thickest weather

Early Women Pilots. Back in 1929 when any kind of air-

plane pilot was regarded with awe, Miss Manila Davis of Flatwoods soloed a small English Moth air-

craft at East Boston, Mass., and in

1930 earned her private pilot's li-cense to be credited with becoming

the first licensed West Virginia wom-an pilot. She is now the wife of B. B. Talley, Huntington, W. Va.

Designers of tomorrow's planes are planning to use heli-um gas to inflate the tires to

SPRAYS TREES . . . To control

hemlock looper in northwestern Oregon, this special dusting plane is used. For some tests, lead arsenate suspensions were sprayed; for others, DDT.

PLANES PLANT

A 20-day job of seeding 300 acres of wheat with sweet clover was cut

to 12 hours by A. T. Sumner and Sons farm near Milford, Ill., when

an airplane was used. Without hav-

ing to wait for ideal soil conditions

360 pounds of seed was "sprayed"

with what was found to be from

36 to 112 seeds per square foot. Those who did the seeding were Glenn Schuetz, Carl Shelton and Bob

make them lighter than air,

or darkness.

This is the belief of Thomas D. Campbell, the nation's biggest farmer, tall, lanky, sun-browned, white-thatched, enthusiastic, purposeful westerner of Hardin, Mont.

Colonel Campbell, for he is a full colonel in the U. S. army, is delivering 500,000 bushels of his own wheat to the government under terms of the offer of the department of agriculture as fast as he can secure trucks and cars to get it to the railroads, in an effort to get together 200,000,000 bushels of wheat for ship-

The dynamic westerner declares that farmers, large and small, should deliver their wheat to the government, immediately, for the lowing reasons:

1. The announced plan of the D. of A. to buy wheat at the market relieves the farmer of any uncertainty of price. Any farmer, under terms of the offer can deliver his wheat receive acceptance. wheat, receive a certificate from the government, and hold that certificate for as long as April 30, 1947, and elect at any time within that period to sell. This gives him the advantage of a higher price when it

2. The government has ordered No. 1 priority for cars for shipment, although there remains the problem of trucks to get the wheat to the county elevators.

3. The farmers who figure their income tax on a cash basis will have the advantage of increased prices and reduced rate on their taxable income, as the government carries him without cost or interest on the loan while he holds his certificate for the higher prices.
4. Delivery of wheat now will

empty storage and provide room for the coming crop. Owing to hous-ing demands, it will be impossible to build increased storage facilities.

5. Perhaps the most important reason why the farmers should release their wheat now is the humani-tarian reason, for it will mean early shipping, to save lives and to build renewed hope in the breasts of millions of people who today are with-out hope.



Maureen Moore, mother of Jerrie, 15, and Jo Ann, 13, is Texas commissioner of labor statistics. Before her recent appointment she was child labor supervisor for the state.

#### **Rammed Earth House for Him**

GREELEY, COLO. - Back in 124 B. C., Hannibal built rammed earth watchtowers. And now. Attorney David J. Miller, copying a page from ancient history, has erected a rammed earth home to defeat the housing and building materials shortage problem.

His new six-room home of mod-ern design and novel heating system was constructed with a bulldozer, a pneumatic back-fill tamp and a little lumber from an old barn for door sills and window cas-

The bulldozer was used to clear the site and mix the proper soils, which must include clay, silt and sand. Forms were set in place for the walls and the earth was rammed into them with the tamp. After the earth dried, the forms were re-moved and the durable dirt house

Six other Greeley residents are now planning similar homes.

### What Price Glory? BELLINGHAM, WASH. - Wil-llam McLaughlin, Lynden farmer,

ran the following advertisement:
"Will trade distinguished service eross I won in World War I for priority on Ford-Ferguson tractor."

Decorated for wiping out a German machine gun nest single-handed in the First World war, the ex-machine gunner said he had saved five years to buy a tractor, but was unable to, because priority regulations favor veterans of World War II. Gunn, who operate a crop dusting service. All are pilots and own farms,



By Ertta Haley

THOSE lovely quilted bedspreads of which we are so fond for dressing up our bedrooms begin to show wear after a few seasons. Perhaps it is a pity that the lovelier materials do not last longer, but do not despair. There's fine material in these bedspreads for quilted jump. these bedspreads for quilted jump-ers for the girl in her teens.

Quilted jumpers for the younger set are just the thing to wear for household duties. They keep the dress from getting soiled, and be-cause of their lovellness, they often lend glamour to the menial tasks such as dusting or straightening up to which every girl must devote some of her time.

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The principal function of these jumpers is to add a bit of color, gaiety and charm. For this reason, the loveliness of these old, worn-out bedspreads are truly ideal. See that bedspreads are truly ideal. See that the spread is well laundered and pressed before you begin working on it. In many cases, these spreads are just made of cotton, with lit-tle or no filler. If you are not certain of material laundering well, then have it dry-cleaned. then have it dry-cleaned.

Patterns for jumpers are ex-tremely simple to cut and easy to sew. They consist of a square neck, usually, perhaps a bit of ruffle over the shoulder, a nipped-in waist and

seamless skirt.

By the way, if the bedspread has a white background with a print on it, you might like to dye it. Even though the background is an attrac-tive pastel, the print will show

Essentials of Laying Pattern, Cutting

Before you attempt to cut the jumper from the material, make sure that the fabric is straightened out. Stretch and straighten the goods until both lengthwise and crosswise grains line up perfectly. Never pull so hard as to damage



If you have a light quilted spread . . .

# tear the fabric. If necessary, press the fabric if you have a lot of outting to do. You will find chalk marks and

tailor's tacks of inestimable value as a guide to sewing and fitting the pieces together. These should be made in contrasting color so they will be easy to find. Both sides should be marked in exactly the same way.

Before you start cutting, make sure that the pattern—whether it be a professional or a home-made one —fits. Then there will be no mafor alterations, once sewing and fit-ting are started.

It may be necessary to lay the pattern out several times before you can make it fit the material. This is especially true when you are making a garment out of old material, for then pattern layouts, which are made with new material in mind, will be of little help.

For the simple jumper which I have described you will need only

have described, you will need only these parts: front bodice (made without sleeves); back bodice; back



Make a jumper from it.

wirt and front of skirt\_two pieces, since no gored or seam effect is desirable on this quilted type of material and then the two or three-inch band which will circle the waist. If ruffles or capped ef-fect over the shoulders is desired, this will add two more pieces to the

pattern.

Sew the shoulders together first, then the side seams. Finish the

Petticoat Ruffles



hint of romance is made of straw-berry chambray with ruffles of eyelet by Joan Norton Irwin.

skirt next, by stitching the side seams, then fit the skirt to the waist band and to the bodice, pin in place carefully, baste, and sew. The capped effect over the sleeves may be added after the jumper itself is

In a quilted material of this type, it is best to make the garment three to five inches shorter than the dress. to five inches shorter than the dress. No large turned seam should be used, as this will make the hem too bulky. Rather, it is best to use a narrow binding at the skirt and turn a little of the quilting underneath (so the band will not show on the outside), press carefully, and then hem in place.

Sewing Heavy Fabric Needs Special Care

It's the wise woman who will test her sewing machine on the type of fabric she is using before she attempts to do any sewing on the gar-ment itself. It may be that the needle is too light or too heavy. Spe-cial attention should be given to the thread—remember that the bobbin and the needle should have the same type of thread! And last, but not least, check the tension on the machine to make sure you are getting nice stitches without any forcing or pulling. In ideal sewing technique, the tension, stitch and thread work is in such accord that they seem to flow out of the machine without any restraint. Every stitch should be straight and perfect. In learning how to stitch straight,

mark pieces of paper with straight lines, squares and triangles. Take the thread out of the machine and the bobbin out of the machine and practice stitching on the marked lines. Turn the corners accurately

and keep spaces even.

Pockets may be placed on the jumper if desired, provided the material used is not so heavy as to make the finished garment bulky-appearing or stitching too difficult. The hems at the tops of the pockets must be placed in first before the pockets are placed and sewed onto the garment. the garment.

#### Stain Removal

One of the problems in the upkeep of clothing is the removal
of stains. There is no single set
of directions that can be given
for success every time, because
stains and fabrics vary greatly.
Some of the general tips for stain
removal, however, should be part
and parcel of every woman's
knowledge.

Stains should always be moved before they set in the fabric. Soap and water make an excellent solvent for many stains but will be harmful if the fabric will not stand water. Ammonia must be used cautiously as it may remove the color from cer-

Sheer fabrics like crepe and chiffon can stand but little sponging, so place an absorbent pad underneath them and pat the stain lightly with a solvent, following immediately with a dry

Lipstick, one of the commonest stains, should be removed by washing out, if possible. If the fabric is not washable try a white petroleum jelly and sponge with carbon tetrachloride, available at the drug store.

Spring Fashion Notes

Dresses of pure silk are very sim-ple indeed, probably because of the price of the material for one thing; and the other, because the lovely designs of the fabric look best in simple classic form. Black crepes are decorated with lace inserts. Chiffon seems to be ready to return to the fabric world, and shantung is being used for dress suits.

White pique is another trimming that is giving that crisp touch to spring and summer ensembles.

Gray and black are two important shades for suits this spring. The jacket usually carries the stripe, the dolman sleeves and a lacy jabot or neckpiece add smart notes to the costume. Hats will pick up the different shades in the suit itself.

# Telephone Wires Not Used by New System

Power Lines to Carry Voices in Rural Zones

A new telephonic communications era has begun for the nation's farm families. Tests made in Arkansas and Alabama by the telephone, pri-vate power companies and the REA have proven the feasibility of "talking" over the same rural power lines



Claude Gregory, president of Craighead REA co-operative, Joneaboro, Ark., making one of first calls over the carrier cur-

which provide farmers with elec-

Outwardly, the new and old telephonic equipment looks very much alike. In the new system, how-ever, speech is transmitted over over, speech is transmitted over power wires by means of a carrier wave of radio frequency produced by electronic tubes, located either in a small box adjacent to the tele-phone or attached directly to the instrument. A device called a "coupler," placed on a pole outside each telephone user's house, allows the carrier current to enter and leave the lines but prevents the power current from interfering with transmitting and receiving instru-

Equipment, to change the high frequency current back to normal voice frequency, is located at a point on the power line where vocal messages are channeled over wires to the telephone central office. The new system, experiments on which were started by Bell laboratories and REA in 1938, is expected to "telephonically link" thousands of families who now reside along rural power lines but are too far off the beaten path to be reached by existing telephone lines. Approximately three million farms are now electrified and scores of others are being added daily.

#### U. S. Can Produce the Highest Quality Silk

A movement was started in the United States about 1830 to produce silk. Proper varieties of silkworms were not available and the industry

It has not been determined that California has a more suitable climate than Japan for silkworm culture, being able to raise three crops a year, contrasted with Japan's one, and at the same time produce a better quality silk.

In Texas sericulture has become a community project. At Mineral Wells, a fund to develop the Texas silk culture was oversubscribed. There are other states in the South, East and West, where silk culture can be made to produce satisfactory returns.

Improved Machinery Power Spray



New Meyers Power Spray

Built to be operated by one man, this power sprayer was designed to cut down weight and over-all length. Cypress tank eliminates

The sprayer, built by F. E. Myers & Bro. Co., Ashland, Ohio, is of the air-blast principle. Handy push-but-ton control regulates the accuracy for orchard work.

Keep Stock Away From

Newly Painted Building Hundreds of valuable cows and other livestock are killed annually by licking the paint from buildings.
Cows seemingly have a craving for
the lead which is an ingredient in
most paints, according to the American Veterinary Medical association.
Hards how been broad to die

Herds have been known to dig down to the bottom of a trash pile to reach a discarded paint can with fatal consequences. After the paint is dry, little trouble will result.

Youthful, Scalloped Date Dress Sturdy Play Set for Youngsters

SEWING CIRCLE PATTERNS

Pretty Date Frock

FEMININE as can be is this pretty date frock for the young in spirit—scallops edge the flatter-ing neckline and brief sleeves, the simple gored skirt is graceful and flattering. Add a touch of glamour with a bunch of flowers or handsome clip.

Pattern No. 8862 comes in sizes 12, 14, 16, 18 and 20. Size 14 requires 3% yards of 35 or 39-inch material.

Practical Play Set

A GAY and practical play set for youngsters of 2 to 10 that's ideal for active summer wear. The dress has buttoned, extended shoulders, square neck and flower applique that can be made from scraps. Panties to match. Plus overalls with criss-cross straps for

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