

### PUSH PARKWAY ROAD PROJECTS

Senate Committee Urges Full Speed Ahead on Completion of Blue Ridge Parkway

Washington, June 9.—Full speed ahead on construction of four national parkways was urged today by the Senate appropriations committee.

Recommending a reversal of House action which cut to \$7,500,000 the amount to be expended by the Interior department in the fiscal year beginning July 1 on the four road projects, the Senate committee suggested the full \$15 million asked by the budget bureau be provided.

The additional money would enable the National Park Service to "accelerate at a more rapid pace," an official said, the development of the following parkways:

Blue Ridge, in Virginia and North Carolina; Natchez Trace, in Tennessee, Alabama and Mississippi; George Washington memorial, in Virginia, and the Foothills parkway in Tennessee.

Construction work on the projects was deferred during the war. In opposing the House cuts in funds for the work, which were based on prewar appropriations, Interior officials said construction costs have risen 40 per cent since the work was halted.

The committee was told that more than 330 miles of the 480-mile Blue Ridge parkway "have been brought to various stages of completion" with Virginia and North Carolina being "required" to proceed immediately to acquire rights of way so that gaps in the road can be filled in.

These gaps drew criticism recently from House appropriations committee members.

Arthur E. Demaray, associate director of the National Park service, said \$23,548,000 has been spent or obligated on the Blue Ridge parkway so far and another \$17 million will be needed to complete it.

He gave the committee the following cost figures on the other three projects:

Natchez Trace—\$5,789,000 spent so far in completing 25 of the 450 miles and partially constructing 93 additional miles; another \$30 million needed to complete.

George Washington Memorial—\$19 million needed to complete, with one section, from Mount Vernon to Key Bridge at Washington, already finished.

Foothills—\$9 million needed to build the 85-miles of road.

Cook vegetables in little water and do not throw that water down the sink, put it in the soup pot, national farm nutritionists say.



SUCCEEDS GLASS . . . Representative Thomas Granville Burch, Martinsville, Va., has been named by Gov. William M. Tuck to succeed the late Sen. Carter Glass in the U. S. senate. Burch, who has served eight consecutive terms in congress, says he will not run for re-election.

### State College Hints For Homemakers

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According to the food research specialists, carrots in the stores are prettier with tops on, but less fresh. When the carrot is in the ground nourishment goes from the leaf to the root. When the carrot is pulled out of the ground the nourishment goes the other way, and the leaves draw moisture and food from the root. Some truckers cut off carrot tops but some do not.

To keep the carrots fresh, cut off the tops before you store them. The same rule holds good for other root vegetables — beets, turnips, parsnips, radishes. Take off tops to keep them fresh.

Grow Victory Gardens again this year. Gardens are lovable things, according to the poets. And those we call Victory Gardens, or home gardens, are very valuable in these days of world-wide food shortages.

In a call to the Nation's home gardeners, the President points out that the threat of starvation in many parts of the world and the urgent need for food from this country emphasize the importance of our continued efforts to produce and conserve food which will help to replace that especially needed for shipment abroad.

Americans who have acquired the habit of raising their own, won't need much urging to dig out their catalogs and dig up the earth. They agree with the President when he says: "In addition to the contribution gardens make to better nutrition, their value in providing outdoor physical exercise, recreation, and relaxation from the strain of modern life is widely recognized."

Hot weather crops such as tomatoes, peppers, egg plant and all the vine crops can still be planted to advantage in North Carolina for production this year, according to the Extension Service.

New political activity by labor unions embraces yet-unorganized sections of farm labor.

### Lespedeza Climbs High in Crop Scale

Lespedeza has climbed like a meteor in the North Carolina crop scale and now ranks second only to corn in total acreage, it was reported by Edgecombe County's Assistant Farm Agent C. H. Lockhart of the State College Extension Service.

Reminding that 25 years ago this crop was unknown in the state except as a wild growth, Lockhart said that its popularity with farmers has been gained through its merit as a "hay, soil-improving and erosion-preventing crop."

The farm agent said that lespedeza produces from one to three tons of cured hay per acre under average conditions. The hay is fine-stemmed, palatable to cattle, leafy and easily cured to a bright, green color. It ranks "almost as high as alfalfa for feeding stock," Lockhart said. He added:

"Like other legumes, lespedeza stores nitrogen from the air in its stems and leaves. A heavy growth adds large quantities of nitrogen and organic matter to the soil when the crop is plowed under. Records show that corn yield have been increased from eight to 60 bushels per acre by consistently turning under lespedeza. Test show an increase of 20 bushels per acre of corn by plowing in a single crop of the legume. Similar results have been obtained with cotton, small grains and other crops. A few years ago we thought that lespedeza stubble would provide enough nitrogen and organic matter to build up our soils, but continued removal of the hay crop has proved less beneficial than had originally been expected. The plowing under of an occasional crop will help out immensely with fertilization," the agent concluded.

### Meat, Bread Almost Gone From Stores

The basic American staples—meat and bread—either were gone or rapidly going from dealers' shelves over a great part of the nation Monday and new supplies to fill the gap were apparently weeks away in most areas.

The expectation in several of the cities covered by an Associated Press spot survey was that the shortage would grow worse before it grew better.

Soap, butter and cooking fats were reported not far behind meat and bread in the scarcity list.

In the case of bread, officials placed their principal reliance for relief on the new crop, now being harvested in the Southwest. Agriculture department experts said that the situation was already fairly well cleaned up in Texas, and added that they expected the effects to appear generally in 30 days or so.

However, an official agriculture department report indicated it would be at least 12 months before everybody would have all the bread and flour he wanted. It estimated that the 1946 wheat crop would be 1,025,509,000 bushels, about 225,000,000 short of American demand and foreign commitments.

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### MRS. ELIZABETH BROWN IS CANDIDATE FOR REGISTER OF DEEDS IN JOHNSON CO.

Mrs. Elizabeth Brown, well known Johnson county woman and prominent Republican figure, has announced her entry in the race for register of deeds, subject to the August election.

Mrs. Brown comes from a family which for long has been prominent in Johnson county political and

civic affairs and has taught in the county schools for some time. She is the daughter of Dr. Roy Butler, deceased, and "Aunt Becky" Butler, who is now living in Mountain City. Dr. Roy Butler practiced in Butler for many years.

The entry of Mrs. Brown in the race for register will inject a great deal of interest in the contest for this key post.—Johnson County News.

## JUNE 30 A BIG DATE FOR ARMY MEN!

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Where the food you give will go. Contributions of canned foods will be distributed free in war-devastated countries on the basis of greatest need.

Why food must be in tin cans. Food in tin cans can be handled safely for distant shipments and travel over difficult roads.

Why the need is so desperate. The battles that brought us victory scourged most of the countries that fought as our allies. The worst drought in fifty years followed the war. Crops failed throughout Europe and Asia. 500,000,000 men, women, and children are hungry and starving.

WILL YOU GIVE THAT THEY MAY LIVE?

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- 1. GIVE MONEY. More food can be obtained for a given amount of money when it is bought centrally and in large quantities. Send cash, money order, or check to your local Emergency Food Collection Committee or to Lee Marshall, Executive Director, 100 Maiden Lane, New York 7, N. Y.
- 2. GIVE FOOD IN TIN CANS. Leave at any Emergency Food Collection depot. Urge your church, club, or organization to participate!

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