

Men Of First Army Prepare For All-Out Sham Battle

Camden, S. C., Oct. 13.—With the first week of their training in the vast Carolina maneuver area concluded, the 360,000 men of the First Army, under Lt. Gen. Hugh A. Drum, hit for the nearest towns over the past week-end and enjoyed well-earned relaxation in preparation for the coming weeks.

In contrast to the training orders for the maneuvers of the first week, the coming days will see "free" encounters waged in this sixteen-county battle of the Carolinas by the majority of the troops. Instead of having umpires set up situations from hour to hour which have to be followed, smaller unit commanders will be allowed in most cases to use their own initiative and meet each problem in their own way.

Realistic battle lines will be drawn when equal numbers of men, division for division and gun for gun, face each other in the II Corps and VI Corps problems. The 28th and 29th National Guard Divisions will op-

pose each other in the II Corps area under the supervision of Maj. Gen. Lloyd R. Fredendall. The 44th Division of National Guardsmen from New York and New Jersey has been attached to Maj. Gen. Karl Truesdell's IV Army Corps and will oppose New England's 26th Division.

DRYS IN FRANKLIN VICTORS AT POLLS

County Ballots To Abolish Its ABC Store System, in Operation Six Years

Franklin County last week voted to abolish its liquor store system, in operation for six years, and return to prohibition. The unofficial vote as tabulated, gave 1,181 against the ABC stores abolition, and 1,441 votes in favor of doing away with the stores.

Dry leaders, who had fought a militant fight in Franklin, were jubilant over the results. The ABC store backers were rumored to be dissatisfied with results but nothing definite was forthcoming.

Members of the Y. M. C. A. chapter at Louisburg College, a Methodist institution, who had taken an active part in the cam-

"Uncle Sam" To Visit Every Farmer In State

The man with the stove-pipe hat and the white whiskers—known to Americans as "Uncle Sam" will visit every farmer in North Carolina between now and about Dec. 1. He will drop around to ask each farmer how much food and feed he can, and will, produce to help "Win the War and Write the Peace."

All of which means that the "Food for Freedom" campaign recently started on a Nation-wide basis, is aggressively under way in North Carolina. Ev-

ery farm family will be asked to participate.

Uncle Sam will be represented on the tour of farm visits by AAA committeemen—other farmers who probably will wear overalls and straw hats in many instances, instead of the red, white and blue costume of the legendary National hero.

Regional educational and training meetings are scheduled Monday, Oct. 20, at Elizabeth City, Clinton, Raleigh, Lexington and Waynesville, and on Tuesday, Oct. 21 at New Bern, Henderson, Rockingham, Shelby, and Wilkesboro. County and community meetings will follow as soon thereafter as they can be arranged.

Defense Survey Of Highway Transportation To Be Made

Each truck owner will receive in the next few days a special National Defense inventory card which he will be requested to return (postage free) with information regarding the make of his truck, kind of body, capacity, time of year the vehicle is most urgently needed in the owner's business, and whether in an emergency he would be willing to hire or lease it to a Government agency.

"England was forced, in the midst of the war, to make an inventory similar to the one the United States is now about to begin," the Extension leader declared, and he added: "I am sure the farmers of North Carolina will cooperate in this survey."

What Can I Do?

"What can I do?" "How can I be of help?" As always happens in an hour of national crisis, thoughts of self are put aside and an earnest desire to be of service wells forth the country over.

The most important thing you can do today is to keep up your morale and the morale of those about you. When the time comes for action, which, God forbid it ever will, we will be on the crest of excitement and there will be as much courage and heroism displayed as thrills us in the tales the returning travellers tell of England.

But now is the hard time—the difficult hour of watching and waiting. We are on the middle step—and as Milne said, "It isn't up and it isn't down." But as the country rearms, the individual citizens can rearm in spirit. Here are some things you can do:

If you believe in America,—prove it. Testify to your faith in its ideals by putting them into actual practice. This means no discrimination because of race, creed or color; no unfair discussion in damning generalities of any group, allowing to others the freedom you claim for yourself; always observing the rules of fair play toward

Negro Youth Conference At Bennett College

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Quality First Promotes Sale Of Surplus Vegetables

Quality is the first essential in the sale of surplus vegetables according to H. R. Niswonger, of N. C. S. C. "The purchaser has no more taste for inferior vegetables than the gardener, himself, and the buying public will protest inferiority by limiting or refraining from purchasing them."

After high quality, the second consideration in marketing surplus vegetables is attractive appearance. If an article appeals to the eye, the sale is half made. This idea involves the grading of produce, with reference to size, color, shape, ripeness, soundness, and method of display, packing and packaging.

Third comes honest in packing or bunching. Too frequently the imperfect, specked, unclean specimens have a habit of riding themselves within the package or bunch of good products.

A fourth consideration is that the package or bunch should be of convenient and desirable size. He suggested that asparagus be marketed in bunches of 2 to 3 lbs; beets in bunches of 4-6 with tops unclipped carrots in bunches of from 5 to 10, depending upon size, or 3 large ones, wt. 1 to 1½ lbs; lettuce in bunches of 3 to 10. The aim of the gardener should be to fully satisfy the consumer.

The Fourth Corps Area Quartermaster department uses large amounts of fresh produce, primarily fruits and vegetables easily grown in this section of the country.

TIMELY FARM QUESTIONS

Q. What is the minimum size of U. S. No. 1 potatoes?
A. The diameter of a U. S. No. 1 Irish potato shall be not less than 1 7/8 in. and of a U. S. No. 1 sweet potato, not less than 1 3/4 inches. Also, a sweet potato must not be more than 10 inches in length to meet the No. 1 grade requirement.

Q. What varieties of small grain show resistance to smut diseases?
A. Demonstrations show that Leaps 157 wheat; Victor grain, Stanton, Fullgrain 4, and Lee-toria oats; and Iredell and bearded 15 varieties of barley, are at least partially resistant to smut. Howard R. Garriss, Extension plant pathologist, says the five percent ethyl mercury phosphate (New Improved Ceresan) is effective in controlling bunt and smut of wheat, and loose smut of oats.

Q. What is the best equipment for harvesting lespedeza seed under present conditions in North Carolina?
A. Much of the lespedeza in the State this year made only fair growth because of abnormal weather conditions. Prof. Giles recommends the simple, inexpensive seed pan attached to a seed pan attached to a mowing machine will do a good job under present conditions. The low cut bar known as "lespedeza bar" is best.

SOUTHERN WILDLIFE

Pollution
Now, on the conservation front, let's take a quick look at the State of Mississippi. That has permitted some of the most destructive stream pollution that possibly could be dumped into state waters or a long time. Mills and factories dumped their waste and fish floated belly-up down the streams. We understand that the State Game and Fish Department was finally able to get some results. Good work. We just can't have this commercial utilization of our natural resources when it acts in a destructive fashion. We've few enough left as it is.

Wildlife Facts
The woodcock is the only bird in the Western Hemisphere with a movable upper bill; the beak can be used like a pair of tweezers to grasp food below the surface of the ground.

There are 110 species of snakes in the United States, and only the cottonmouth, copperhead, coral snake, and rattler are poisonous.

There are only between 700 and 800 great white herons in the world, and all are concentrated in Southern Florida, in two national wildlife refuges.

The wild turkey originally was found in 38 states, but is now only found in 20 southern, eastern and south-western states.

Here We Go Again
In the outdoor world you never know what's what. Only last month we told you that the white bass was a trap bass all right but that fish large and smallmouth bass were not—they belong to the sunfish family. We've told you about a certain hare being a rabbit and a certain rabbit being a hare. Now we must inform you that the well-known turkey buzzard is not a buzzard at all but a culture.

BONELESS BEEF
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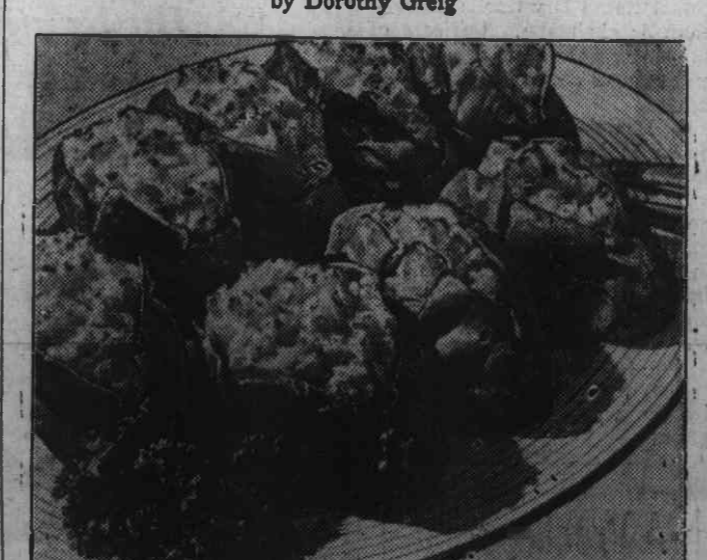
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BLUSHING BAKED POTATOES for school day lunches



BIG handsome baked potatoes blushed open, with slathers of butter melting down through their mealiness are a favorite with all of us, from the littlest on up to dad.

They're good for us, too, being rich in vitamins and minerals.

One of the best times of all to serve them is at lunch when the children come in hungry from school. Perhaps you would like to know about my own special way of fixing baked potatoes.

First I add cheese and mix that all through the potato. Then—and here's the surprise—blend in a little condensed tomato soup! This gives the potatoes a rosy hue which always amuses youngsters. It helps likewise to bring out the full flavor of the potato. See how simple it all is:

Bake the potatoes. Scoop out the shells and mash well or put through a ricer. For each medium, sized potato add:

- 2 tbsps. condensed tomato soup
- 4 teaspoon salt
- 4 tbsps. butter
- 4 teaspoons butter
- 1 tbsps. sharp grated cheese

Mix all together thoroughly and put mixture back in potato shell. Brown in hot oven or under broiler.

FARMERS TO GET \$23,000 AT FAIR

Raleigh, Oct. 2. — Premiums for North Carolina farmers and other exhibitors at the State Fair, to be held at Raleigh from Oct. 14 through 18, will total \$23,000 or approximately \$3,000 above the record prize money offered last year, Manager J. S. Dorton announced today.

er actual—now is the time for eration of the exposition five years ago, premiums have been steadily increased and prizes have been limited to North Caro-

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FIRST SHIPMENTS of American-made lend lease guns to help defend Asia against the Axis threat have reached these tough allies, members of a famous North Indian race of fighting men in the service of Britain. Loss of the rich rubber and tin supplies of India, Malaya and Burma would be a blow not only to the war effort of Britain and her fighting Allies in the war against Hitler, but to the American defense program as well.