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Millions of mothers keep "California Syrup of Figs" handy; they know a teaspoonful today saves a sick child tomorrow. Ask your druggist for a 50-cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has directions for babies, children of all ages and grown-ups printed on the bottle. Beware of counterfeiters sold here, so don't be fooled. Get the genuine, made by "California Fig Syrup Company."

### IRISH POTATO AND BEAN

Cultivation of These Two Important Crops—Value of Irish Potato as Money Crop is Now Thoroughly Established

(Bulletin prepared by H. T. Prosser, assistant Industrial Agent of the Seaboard Air Line Railway Co., with headquarters at Hamlet, N. C.)

**The Irish Potato**  
The value of the Irish potato as a money crop is now thoroughly established in the South. To assure success it's necessary to observe precautions as to soil, preparation, fertilization, seeds, etc.

**Soil.**—The Irish potato requires a deep sandy soil well filled with organic matter. This combination of soil and organic matter is especially valuable because of its natural friability, which prevents its packing after a rain or baking in a drought and allows the free development of tubers. Soil should be well drained.

**Preparation of Soil.**—Potatoes root deep and need the ground deeply and thoroughly prepared. It is advisable to prepare land several weeks before planting, using a two-horse plow, turning over broadcast. The depth of plowing will of course vary with the soil. If the land is deficient in vegetable matter the plowing should not be so deep; but the humus content of the soil increased and the depth of plowing increased proportionally. When subsoiling is done care must be taken not to do the work when the subsoil is too wet or it will "puddle" and produce the same bad effects as result from "puddling" the true soil. The running of a disc harrow over the land just before planting has proved advantageous.

**Fertilizing.**—When rows have been laid off with big shovel or middle burster put down the fertilizer with distributor in bottom of furrow and mix well by using small shovel or closed harrow. If seed come in contact with fertilizer it might cause them to decay. A balanced fertilizer applied at the rate of 1,000 to 1,500 pounds per acre should produce good results. All fertilizer should be applied in row because the potato plants do not run their roots out far. Do not use lime or fresh stable manure on potato land as they induce growth of fungus which causes scab and blight. If stable manure is applied broadcast a few weeks before planting it may be used to good advantage.

**Planting.**—In no other crop is the securing of good seed of more importance. Northern grown seed are best for Southern production. Among the varieties which have given best results are:

"Northwestern Rose," a medium early and large yielding potato;

"Irish Cobbler," a white potato with uniform size and shape, an early and big yielder;

"Bliss Triumph," a round, fair size potato, with red skin.

Ten (10) bushels of seed potatoes are required to plant an acre when the rows are 3 feet apart and potatoes planted 15 to 18 inches in the drill. Potatoes are usually cut with two eyes to each piece or if cut with a machine an ordinary size potato into 4 or 6 pieces, regardless of the number of eyes. If potatoes are planted at an unfavorable season dust lime over the cut surfaces to dry them so that decay may be prevented. Planting should be done from late January to not later than the 20th of February in order to obtain best results. Cover seed about four inches deep.

**Cultivation.**—Before the plants appear, a harrow should be run over the ground to kill the early crop of weeds and break the crust so that plants will come out more easily. This insures a better stand. As soon as the plants are up, begin cultivating with harrow or cultivator and keep it up, frequently, until the plants bloom. Every cultivation judiciously given from the time the plants are up till they shade the ground will

increase the yield, particularly if there is a lack of rainfall. Lay by the crop with small bed, so water will not stand around plant.

**Potato Scab.**—During the past season the United States Department of Agriculture has made strong efforts to prevent any diseased potatoes (seed) being shipped from part of the Northern seed potato growing area and we should be reasonably safe in getting seed free from Potato Scab. For a precaution, however, the following treatment is used to destroy the scab disease on seed before planting: Formalin (40 per cent) 8 oz. to 15 gallons of water. Soak seed before cutting for two (2) hours. Let dry.

**Colorado Belle or "Potato Bug."**—This insect does not come every season, but the grower should keep a close lookout for the bug and begin to spray as soon as the bugs show themselves. The most common and effective way to control the potato bug is to use Paris Green either in powder form putting on when the plants are wet from dew or rain or by spraying with the Paris Green solution. The following formula has proved effective: One-half pound (1-2) of Paris Green, four pounds (4) of quick lime, and fifty (50) gallons of water. Add enough water to make lime then make paste and mix in the Paris Green and add balance of water. This may be applied with hand sprinker or potato sprayer. Bugs are easily controlled in this way.

**Digging.**—A turn plow is commonly used for digging. Three rows are thrown into one when potatoes are graded in the field as is practiced in many sections. Sorters come behind the plow and grade potatoes in piles, making 1's an 2's and culs. Do not let potatoes stay in the sun after digging. Place them immediately in barrels and cover. If potatoes are hauled to a grading house or shed to be graded they should be moved out of the field as rapidly as possible and should be handled carefully to prevent bruising. Potatoes should be packed in bright clean barrels, with clean covers. These barrels hold ten (ten) pecks and are covered with burlap. If straight sawe barrels are used two holes should be cut in sides to give ventilation. Ventilated or veneer barrels are used in many sections. The cost of these barrels varies from 22c to 30c each at the factory. The small and cut potatoes can be used to great advantage in feeding same to stock. The average yield of potatoes should be from 40 to 50 barrels per acre, varying according to climatic conditions, fertilization and cultivation. If potatoes are planted from the first to middle of February they should be ready for market about the first of June, this period being between the Florida season and the beginning of the Virginia shipping season.

In Laurin county, S. C., a production equal to 200 bushels per acre has been readily secured as a fall crop.

**Marketing.**—Standardize your packer to the best package demanded by the trade. Grade your potatoes carefully.

It should be borne in mind that the coming season bears promise of good returns from Irish potato cultivation. Most careful investigation on the part of the United States Department of Agriculture shows that the present shortage in the States of Maine, New York, Pennsylvania and Ohio exceeds 55,000,000 bushels, equal to about forty per cent shortage in their usual crop production. The very great prosperity in the manufacturing districts north and west of Washington is reflecting in the prices of agricultural products, and the movement of the price of Irish potatoes at the present time is upward.

Under ordinary conditions this country imports several million bushels of Irish potatoes. The conditions prevailing have prevented, and will doubtless continue to prevent during continuance of the war, the importation of any foreign grown potatoes to the United States. This fact tends to the conclusion that the Irish potato can be made a most remunerative crop for the coming season.

**Other Crops After Potatoes.**—You should consider the fact that a well prepared and cultivated Irish potato crop will bring you a cash return, and will enable you to use the same piece of land for other standard crops. In Robeson county, N. C., the past season after a good yield of Irish potatoes the area was planted in the double crop of corn and soja beans, yielding a luxuriant return of both; and on your Irish potato land you can plant corn, soja beans, peas, peanuts, sorghum cane, and any other good crop which goes into the ground in June or July.

**The Bean**  
The bean crop is readily produced and in many sections has given excellent returns. Among the favorite varieties are the Red and Black Valentine, a stringless, round, green bean, which is preferred in the market. A very considerable demand for this product exists in the cities and in the manufacturing communities of the Carolinas.

**Planting.**—Plant your bean crops as early as possible after danger from frost. In some sections this will mean the last half of March, and in others the first half of April. This should put the product on the market the latter part of May. On good land, with careful preparation, 250 to 300 bushels per acre can be secured, and last season it was noted that a price equal to \$1.00 to \$1.50 per bushel (three peck measure) was obtained.

**Now Feels Entirely Well**  
A. H. Francis, Zenith, Kas., writes "I had a severe pain in my back and could hardly move. I took about two-thirds of a 50c box of Foley Kidney Pills and now feel entirely well." Middle-aged and older men and women find these safe pills relieve sleep disturbing bladder ailments.

### Calomel Sickness! Its Horrible Don't Stay Bilious, Constipated

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Calomel make, you sick; you lose a day's work. Calomel is quicksilver and it salivates; calomel injures your liver.

If you are bilious; feel lazy, sluggish and all knocked out, if your bowels are constipated and your head aches or stomach is sour, just take a spoonful of harmless Dodson's Liver Tone instead of using sickening, salivating calomel. Dodson's Liver Tone is a real liver medicine. You'll know it next morning because you will wake up feeling fine, your liver will be working, your headache and dizziness gone, your stomach will be sweet and bowels regular. You will feel like working. You'll be cheerful; full of vigor and ambition.

Your druggist or dealer sells you a 50 cent bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone under my personal guarantee that it will clean your sluggish liver better than nasty calomel; it won't make you sick and you can eat anything you want without being salivated. Your druggist guarantees that each spoonful will start your liver, clean your bowels and straighten you up by morning or you get your money back. Children gladly take Dodson's Liver Tone because it is pleasant tasting and doesn't gripe or cramp or make them sick.

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**DEFENSE PROGRAM STRONG**

**Campaign of President Has Had Effect—Complete Change in Sentiment**

Washington Cor., Feb. 8, Raleigh News and Observer.

The campaign which has been made by President Wilson in favor of his plan for proper preparedness has had its effect not only in the sections visited by the executive but in every other part of the country as well. This was forcibly demonstrated today when it became known that in the South, where the sentiment against a large standing army and formidable navy has been especially strong, at least if the views entertained by many representatives from that section could be relied upon, there has been a complete change since the President started out on his speech-making tour.

The people of the South have been reading what the President has had to say upon this question, which is such vital importance to every one of them. He has placed the true situation squarely and plainly before them, and the Congressmen are beginning to hear from the folks at home, warning them against opposition to the preparedness policy.

While a week ago, it was predicted by the anti in Congress that they could count upon nearly half of the members from the Southern States to line up against the President, today there are not a dozen members from this section outspoken in their antagonism to the upbuilding of the national defense.

A poll of the Southern Congressmen would show the line-up of the various State delegates as follows: Virginia, 11 for preparedness, 1 against; North Carolina, 6 for, 4 against; Tennessee, solid for preparedness; South Carolina, solid for preparedness; Georgia, 9 for, 3 against; Alabama, solid for preparedness; Mississippi, 5 for, 1 against; Louisiana, 5 for, 1 against; Texas, 11 for, 7 against, and Florida, 3 for, 1 against.

The only Democrats who are still outspoken in their opposition to the National defense policy of the President are Representatives Kitchin of North Carolina; Tibble, of Georgia; Hensley, of Missouri; Dies, Davis and Callaway, of Texas; Saunders, of Virginia, and Bailey of Pennsylvania; Tavenner, of Illinois.

Mr. Kitchin, the majority leader in the House, stated today that up to the present time he had received no protests from his district against the stand he has taken.

**ROBESON POLITICAL TALK**

As Seen by Candidate T. L. Smith—He Expects Robeson County Politics Will Make You Sit Up and Watch This Year—Smith Thinks His Candidacy Maybe Worries Bob Lewis

Fayetteville Cor., Jan. 30, Wilmington Star, by Asa L. Biggs.

Mr. Thomas Leak Smith, of Maxton, was interviewed by your correspondent in regard to the outlook for politics in Robeson county this year.

Mr. Smith will be a candidate for sheriff of Robeson county. He has just been on a tour of the county, feeling around, he said, to see how he stood.

"So far," said Mr. Smith, "I don't think any of our fellows have expressed the desire to be congressmen. There is talk of one or more of the lawyers who may run, however, none of them have made announcements to that effect."

"But talk about something interesting, Robeson county politics will make you sit up and watch this year. There are two factions in that county and both of them are strong. One views it will put it over the other. The farmers are lining up on both sides and the division is about equal. When those two factions come together at the polls, there'll be some fun going on."

"Well, I am running for sheriff and there is 'Bob' Lewis looming up on the other side. 'Bob' and myself are on the best of terms. However, I believe it worries him a whole lot to know that he has me to go against. For I am expecting to be the next sheriff of Robeson."

Mr. Smith is a Scotchman of the old school and retains many Scotch ideas. "Even if it was my great grandfather that hailed from Scotland, I still pride myself that there is some Scotch blood in me," he concluded.

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### BUSINESS GOOD AT ROWLAND

Quite a Difference Noted Between Now and a Year Ago at This Good Robeson County Town—Items of News

Rowland Cor., Jan. 29, Wilmington Star.

Rev. H. J. Miller, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, returned today from Charlotte, where he has been with Mrs. Mills to a hospital for treatment. Mrs. Mills is very much improved and will be home soon to the delight of her many friends.

Miss Anna McQueen, who has been doing missionary work in Korea, China, for the past four years has returned home—Mr. A. D. McKenzie is in Laurinburg today on business.

Rev. W. S. Ballard of Cerro Gordo, recently spent several days here with friends. Mr. Ballard served the First Baptist church of Rowland for seven and one-half years. No man has ever lived in Rowland who made more friends.

The Rowland Oil and Fertilizer Co., is running on full time, night and day. At the high prices the mills are paying for seed, one can hardly see how they can pay very large dividends. Though as meal and oil are so high, they may come out all right. The banks of Rowland have held their annual meetings and each one seems to be in prosperous condition.

Since the holidays the local and through trains on the A. C. L. are running on time again. The Coast Line is now operating some very fine trains in this, the main line from the North to points South. The M. & A. S. railroad is again running its trains on time since the holiday rush. The M. A. & S., is at all times accommodating to its patrons.

It is very easy to notice the differences in business now and a year ago. Mules, buggies and wagons are coming in by the carload and everybody seems to be in so much better heart than a year ago. It is very seldom you hear anyone mention hard times now. If farmers and merchants will just continue this year as they did last year, we will not hear of any hard times again next fall and winter. Almost every farmer has a barn full of corn, hay, fodder and oats. And smokehouses are full of meat and lard. And these good homemade products go to make good times. The writer has not seen or heard of any fertilizer coming to this market as yet.

Hon. Joe Brown of Chadborn spent a few hours recently. No doubt but each one of the candidates has some friends. Capt. J. W. McLean, the popular conductor on the M. A. & S. railroad, has moved his family from Alma here and is occupying the house of the late Alex Watson.

Mr. F. P. McGirt and family have moved from town to their fine country home about four miles west of the railroad.

Friends note with much regret the serious illness of Mrs. M. J. McCormack. While Mrs. McCormack was visiting at the home of Mr. J. W. Ward, she had a very severe stroke of paralysis. At this time she is not able to be moved home.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde McCallum are spending the week with home folks here. Mr. McCallum represents the Imperial Guano Company of Norfolk, Va.

Mr. Tom Rogers of Red Springs is here today on business—Dr. W. H. Lennon has been confined to his home for several days on account of sickness—Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Bond, of Pates, have moved back to Rowland. Mr. Bond is in a hospital in Richmond at present but is expected home soon. He has for several years been manager for Livermore & Co., of Pates—Mr. D. A. Prevatt is spending the week in South Carolina visiting friends and relatives.

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