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Washington, D. C., July 28.—(Continued from page 1.) Don't let an... in the food situation fool you. Just because you can buy...

The answer to the food problem lies in the hands of the folks back home. If they tell their Congressmen and Senators, now recessing along the highways and byways, what they want—in the end they're pretty sure to get it.

LABOR DECLARES WAR— Judging from the latest declarations of the CIO and AF of L, the headmen of the Union front intend to wage a political battle over food prices.

Following is a summary of the situation as seen by a prominent farm leader: It is still hoped that the worst results of the rigid price ceilings, subsidy, roll-back program can be avoided if changes are made for the '44 season.

consuming public hasn't realized this point. About the time it does, it may be too late—and we and our Allies and the "liberalized" populations of Europe and Asia will be facing drastic shortages.

Organized labor has boldly announced its intention to "throw out" every elected official who doesn't follow its roll-back demands.

WORLD RELIEF PLANNED— Prior to the opening of the International Food Conference at Hot Springs, Va., last May, this column, through an exclusive source, obtained information as to the real agenda being set up for the meeting.

In our issue of April 28, we said: "There are many who believe that a grandiose scheme to have America feed the world is being brought to a boil, while others are sure that the food label is a subterfuge for the planning of another League of Nations."

Now that the Conference's Interim Committee has organized here in Washington, the wheels are rolling fast to put into effect the inside program agreed to at Hot Springs. This amounts to (1) a postwar facsimile of the League of Nations; (2) a post-war world-wide trade control.

Our State Department has submitted for signature to the 32 United Nations a document to implement the Relief and Rehabilitation Administration. Regardless of who signs, really controlling the show would be America, Britain, Russia and China.

Sen. Vandenberg (R. Mich.) got wind of the play. He smelled an attempt to skip the Constitutional power which provides that the Senate shall pass on all treaties. He queried State Secretary Cordell Hull. Mr. Hull wrote in reply:

"It has been decided . . . that the United States participate in the establishment of this United Nations administration should be through executive agreement."

CHAIRMAN IS CHANGED— An ironic twist developed in the first meetings of the Food Conference's Interim Committee here last week. Government friends of Under Secretary of Agriculture Paul Appleby had that gentleman all groomed to become permanent chairman of the Committee.

From an inside source, this column is informed that the foreign delegates wouldn't have any part of the Appleby play. Their objection was on the ground that the Under Secretary was too bound up with the present government. They pointed out that in case a different Administration should win at the next election, Appleby would "not be useful" in a position which would call for close collaboration between himself and any new group in power.

A compromise was reached. Appleby was made temporary chairman—for a day. Then a Canadian was elected permanent chairman in his stead.

TURKEY CROP MARKED— Some time ago the Army-Navy people informed WPA that 10 million pounds of turkey must be assured for the armed forces. Accent was on the word "must."

TRUCK SHORTAGE LOOMS— Responsible executives in WFA are badly worried over the pick-up and medium truck situation. Both these types are essential in the farm-to-market system, and are the farmer's stand-bys for all around use.

Under Army orders, truck manufacturing has been on a 75 per cent heavy duty basis, 25 per cent for all other types. Result will be a desperate shortage of the lighter varieties only a few months hence. While the figures are confidential, it is not revealing a military secret to say that a large percentage of farm trucks bought by farmers during the past two years have been second or third hand. These are on their last legs, not to mention their last tires.

It is felt here that unless some quick shifts in the truck production program can be made, a serious bottleneck will develop in the vital work of food production and food delivery.

LIVE HOG CEILING SET— As forecast by this column, the government finally announced a price ceiling on live hogs at \$14.75 to become effective early in August. Also re-arranged was the \$13.75 floor so that \$20-\$25

Japs Dug Their Own Traps



Japan's dug and above mentioned with Japanese were the last posts occupied by the Japanese on Attu Island. These United States soldiers are examining Japanese medical equipment left by the routed enemy.

corn and feedstuffs hay in the Yadkin Valley is excellent. Mr. John Payne, who together with Mrs. Payne, who together with Mrs. Payne, have been residing in Baltimore for some time, is recuperating in a Winston-Salem hospital after a rather serious operation.

Mrs. Eloise Alexander has returned from Chester, S. C., where she has been visiting her husband for several days. Mrs. Alexander is the former Miss Eloise McDowell and lives with her mother, Mrs. Ella McDowell, near Grandin.

Miss Cora Greer, of Grandin, passed through our village one day last week on her way to Deep Gap and Watauga county. Misses Addie Casey, Beatrice Sebastian, and Bessie Brock, teachers in the local school, were pleasant visitors in the community last week. They will again teach here this year.

Mr. H. C. Wheeling, former merchant of the Elkville section, is now employed in Lenoir, going back and forth each day to his work. Mr. S. V. Tomlinson, prominent merchant and farmer of North Wilkesboro, visited friends here Sunday and was looking over his farming interests.

The population of India is 389,000,000—three times larger than that of the United States. When a dog recently snatched a four-pound beef joint from a butcher's basket in a Kent village in England, a woman chased the thief down the street and recovered the meat.

Reports from the middle west indicate that there is not the supply of corn on the farms which many have been led to believe. In fact, the situation is so tough that last week an Illinois hog grower bet a neighbor \$500 that he would not sell corn at the ceiling price. The neighbor winked, took the bet, sold the corn at ceiling—and collected the \$500 wager. Added up, this resulted in the corn costing the purchaser \$1.07 per bushel, plus \$500, equal to \$1.50 a bushel for corn.

Ferguson News Items In Brief Ferguson, July 26.—Mrs. Curtis Edens and daughter, Edith, of Dalzell, S. C., are visiting their aunt, Miss Janie Spicer, for a week of more. Mrs. Edens is the former Miss Nelle Moore. Mrs. Joe Cowles, who has been ill for some time, is much improved and is now at home after spending some time in the Wilkes hospital.

A baptismal service was held at the Elk Bridge Sunday afternoon, conducted by Rev. R. L. Isbel, pastor of the A. C. church. He also conducted services Sunday morning. Rev. Shober Phillips, recently ordained Baptist minister, conducted a service Sunday afternoon at the Beaver Creek Baptist church. Mr. Phillips is a former resident of this community and his many friends and former neighbors here congratulate him on his entry into the ministerial work. We are advised that Rev. Grover Walsh will preach here next Sunday afternoon.

John Edmund Foster, ex-rural mail carrier and prominent citizen of Ferguson village, has been somewhat indisposed for several days due to a fall which he received. A physician has been attending him and his many friends will look forward to his early recovery.

Mr. L. Clyde Ferguson, of Dallas, Texas, who has been visiting relatives here and at North Wilkesboro for the last week, returned to Dallas via Chicago and Omaha, Neb., Friday. Mr. Ferguson is a leading manufacturer in Dallas, and is now supplying the government with a highway roller of his own invention which he is shipping overseas along with many other highway supplies.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer A. Carlton have been spending a week with their daughter, Mrs. Tom Crowell, in Roanoke, Va. Mrs. Hill Cottriss, of Lenoir, has been visiting the Carlton family during the absence of Mr. and Mrs. Carlton.

The Grange met Tuesday night in a social gathering at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Miller. A goodly number was present and enjoyed the hospitality of the Millers.

Everyone is glad to see the dry weather after a three weeks rainy season. Crops are doing fine and prospects for a bumper crop of

Greyhound Picture Is Shown In Russia

"This Amazing America," the technical motion picture produced by the Greyhound Lines in 1940 to promote bus travel, is now serving a new and important purpose in advancing the country's international relations. The Office of War Information, at the request of the State Department, has obtained prints of the film for distribution in Russia. Initial showings are planned for the American Embassy in Moscow, but unlike the films presented by German counselor officials, the picture will show the scenic wonders of America rather than the ruthless invasion of neutral countries.

The title revised to "North America by Bus," the film has already been shown to more than a million persons in South America under the sponsorship of the Office of the Coordinator of Inter-American Affairs. These show-

ings are still continued before

audiences totaling seven million persons in this country. London-based using produce gas will consume one ton of an thracite a month.

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