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Making Something to Eat.

The greatest preparations ever known are going on in all parts of the country for growing stuff of all kinds to eat as the world is short on rations, and prices for the necessities of life continue to rise and will probably keep on rising till peace comes. In the large cities the people are alarmed over the prices they have to pay for meat and bread, potatoes, vegetables of all kinds, butter, milk, and poultry. The farmers who have these things to sell are growing rich, while the farmers who have not grown their supplies are in the same fix with the city folk. In New York the society ladies are organizing associations to plant all waste places, back lots, and every available spot for the growing of vegetables. Many of them are working themselves in clearing ground and planting. They say they have the money to buy, but the produce is not available at any price in lots of instances.

The most serious part of the shortage is that of bread and meat. It is hard to make wheat and meat except on the farms, and the farmers who make these things will sell to the highest bidders, of course, and this is going to make those of moderate means live hard. Even with a cessation of war, it will be a year or two before a reserve of necessities can be accumulated so as to affect the price much. The next year or two it is not going to be tobacco and cotton that are the money crops, but wheat, corn, meat and potatoes, and things to eat, for man and beast. The Stokes county farmer who fails to grow his supplies this year will be sorry.

Dr. L. H.

Among the pleasant visitors here this week attending court was Dr. L. H. Hill, one of North Carolina's finest musicians, and the best old-fashioned violinist in the State. If there is anybody living who has the power "in notes of many a winding bout, of linked sweetness long drawn out," of "untwisting the chains that tie the hidden soul of harmony," it is Dr. Hill. He is now upward of the sixties, but is in perfect and ruddy health, filled with vivacity and full of reminiscence of the days of yore when he accompanied the Stokes boys on the march in the valleys of Virginia. Dr. Hill was one of the most capable surgeons in Lee's immortal army, and attended the bedside of many of the boys who never came back home.

Dr. Hill is much interested in the present international scrap, and like most of our people, he is strongly pro-Ally in sentiment. He believes that the entrance of the United States into the war will have a marked effect in bringing the much desired peace. Dr. Hill says that with the powerful resources of Uncle Sam thrown into the scale, it is only a question of time when the doom of the Huns will be sounded. He says that the 200 submarine chasers that America will furnish to help rid the ocean of the pirates, will do the work for them.

Smashing Submarines.

An interesting account is published by the New York World of the destruction the other day of the U-boat that sank the American Laconia, merchant ship, in March. The British had disguised a warship as a merchantman, and sent it out to see what it could see. The vessel with wooden sides covering its steel armor, and with its 6-inch guns masked,

harbor with supplies for the English. Not long before a torpedo ripped away a portion of the ship, but a certain arrangement of bulk-heads kept it afloat, and then the submarine popped up to observe the damage it had done, and to watch the ship sink. The supposed merchantman let drive at this instant with a broadside, which literally riddled the submarine, which went down like a shot with all of its crew except the captain, who was knocked into the water and picked up by the British vessel. The survivor proved to be the master of the pirate that sank the Laconia. He was carried to London and imprisoned.

The World says that during the month of February more than 40 of the submarines were either sunk or captured, and that 17 were bagged in one day.

To Pass the Resolution this Week.

Congress will this week pass a resolution declaring that a state of war exists, and empowering the President to use the armed forces of the country to defend our people and property. Germany has never declared war on the United States, and a dispatch from Berlin in the papers this week states that she will not declare war against us, but adds that there will be no change in the submarine policy--which is the same as saying that she will continue to war on our ships, war on us, as she has been doing for a long time, having to this date sunk a number of our vessels and murdered more than 200 of our citizens. Uncle Sam is determined that this thing shall not go on indefinitely, and he is fixing to get ready to start to begin to resist. There is practically no sentiment among the congressmen for sending any troops to Europe, but they are almost unanimous for helping England and France rid the seas of the pirates, and of furnishing the allies with money, ammunition

Angers of Springtime.

The training of the musk and the fleur-de-lis in the woods--the hyacinths, the jonquils and the violets in the garden--the whippoorwill calling in the moonlit hedges, and the bull-frog croaking in the swamp by the brook. On the plantation up and going is the plow after its long rusty winter, and old Rhody is switching her tail not in the most delightful sudden experience of long furrows and stiff crusts. The peach trees and the plum bushes are flaring out, and the English sparrows are picking up strings and straws for nests in the branches. It has been a long, impatient standstill for the farmers, and work is going to be badly delayed for the crops. Every plantation would like to have one or more extra mules now for a few weeks, if the animals could be disposed of after the hard work of breaking is over.

TO THE Ladies WHO TRADE IN King, N. C.

What Is It You Want in Millinery?

Do you want the latest styles?
Do you want the best goods?
Do you want your hat trimmed by a city milliner of 15 years of experience?
Do you want your hat 33 1-3 per cent. under Winston prices? If so all of above can be had by buying of

John T. Ellis & Company,
King, N. C.

Better Farming in the South

MEANWHILE THE WORLD WANTS ITS TOBACCO

FARMER HAS BRIGHT PROSPECTS WHICH WAR WILL ONLY IMPROVE--FERTILITY PROBLEMS.

CHARLES A. WHITTLE.

World-wide war and war prices should not disturb the tobacco farmer in the least, and should move him only to try to meet the increased demand and realize the greater profits which the market affords. Prosperity is abroad, why should not the tobacco grower get his share of it?

On the battle front tobacco is the one sedative. Its aromatic smoke rises as an incense from every trench. The army demand is great and growing. Persistent rumor has it that the manufacturers' stocks are running low. Certain it is that consumption in this country is increasing.

Bright Outlook.
In fact, the outlook for tobacco is bright, and it would seem that every pound grown this year would find ready market at good prices. It is, therefore, a year to go in to raise bumper crops, to prepare the seed bed well, to plant good seed, fertilize liberally and cultivate thoroughly so that the maximum crop of the best quality could be obtained and the largest profit accrue.

Feeding the Plant Liberally

Just as farmers are doing for all other crops, the tobacco farmer should be doing for his crop, that is, feed liberally with plant food. This is a year when prices which crops are bringing should induce the farmer to be generous in feeding them, and considerate in giving them the best possible cultivation, feeling assured that at no time in many years would this be better justified by the returns that can be expected this year.

No plant is more responsive to good fertilization and cultivation than tobacco. It yields heavily when properly fertilized and when the fertilizer is well balanced the better the quality of the yield.

The shortage in the supply of potash incident to the war has been a disturbing factor, it is true, but if a fertilizer containing the amount of potash generally recommended is not to

be obtained, the nearest fertilizer to it, of course, can be used, every effort being made to give the plant its full food requirements. This seems to be about the best advice the experts are giving to tobacco growers this year, with respect to this one important element of plant food in raising tobacco.

As for the other elements of plant food for the growing of tobacco, there has been no serious trouble to supply on account of the war, unless the car shortage is to be considered. But for the farmer who has been foresighted, car shortages have not been serious difficulties, since he has ordered far enough in advance to make sure of getting his shipment in time.

For tobacco the phosphoric acid should be used only in the form of acid phosphate and the nitrogen should come from those materials having it in quickly available form such as nitrate of soda, sulphate of ammonia, dried blood and cottonseed meal.

Quoting from Virginia Experiment Station bulletin 198:
"Higher applications of fertilizer applied to tobacco usually paid better than light applications. Fourteen hundred pounds of an 8-3-3 fertilizer gave a net profit of \$19.58 per acre more than 200 pounds of the same fertilizer, and the after effects on succeeding crops were more pronounced."

Fertilizer for Gardens and Lawns.

Inquiry--"What kind of fertilizer and how much would you recommend for a garden and lawn? Tell me in terms of a lot 100 feet square."

For a lot 100 feet square to be used for garden vegetables you can use with profit 400 pounds of an 8-4-2 fertilizer, that is a fertilizer containing 8 percent phosphoric acid, four percent nitrogen and two percent potash. If potash can not be had, get as near this kind of fertilizer as possible. Put on about 200 pounds of this fertilizer on a lot 100 feet square, as a top dressing for the lawn.--J. C. Pridmore.

Two Danbury Mail Carriers.

Contributed.
Sam East and Sam Fagg are clever old souls,
Who carry their mails to opposite goals.
They carry many packages for very small pay,
And accommodate the public as they go on their way.
Neither lazy nor selfish, they do their very best,
And toil for the public when they ought to have rest.
Through rain and through snow they always will go,
When some act of kindness they thus can bestow.
They rise very early for the work of the day,
And perform all their duties in a satisfactory way.
Their promises forever they faithfully keep,
And when they have done so they peacefully sleep.
Sam Fagg drives a horse and Sam East drives a car,
And no matter what the weather is, they always get there.
Whether cold or hot, whether rain or shine,
They always deliver the mails in ample good time.
They are jolly and contented to stay on their job,
And never so happy as while driving old Betsey and Bob.
So let them continue in their estate,
Until death shall claim them which we hope will be late.

Notice.

Having duly qualified as administrator of the estate of Asahel Lewis, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons holding claims against said estate, to present them to me for payment, duly authenticated, on or by the 1st day of March, 1918, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said deceased are respectfully requested to make immediate payment to me. This the 22nd day of Feb., 1917.
L. B. BOLES, Admr.
N. O. Petree, Atty. for Admr.

Constipation and Indigestion.

These are twin evils. Persons suffering from indigestion are often troubled with constipation. Mrs. Robert Allison, Mattoon, Ill., writes that when she first moved to Mattoon she was a great sufferer from indigestion and constipation. Food distressed her and there was a feeling like a heavy weight pressing on her stomach and chest. She did not rest well at night, and felt worn out a good part of the time. One bottle of Chamberlain's Tablets corrected this trouble so that she has since felt like a different person.

Nature Cures, The Doctor Takes the Fee.

There is an old saying that "Nature cures, the doctor takes the fee," but as everyone knows you can help Nature very much and thereby enable it to effect a cure in much less time than is usually required. This is particularly true of colds. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy relieves the lungs, liquefies the tough mucus and aids in its expectoration, allays the cough and aids Nature in restoring the system to a healthy condition.

Fine Farm For Sale.

I am offering a 70-acre farm for sale four miles north of Walnut Cove, Meadows township, Stokes Co., N. C. Well timbered and watered, in high state of cultivation, 15 acres of good bottom land, 7 acres in meadow grass, half million feet of saw mill stock. Will make terms to suit buyer. If interested call on or write THOMAS J. EAST, R. u e 1, box 80, 7mchtf Walnut Cove, N. C.