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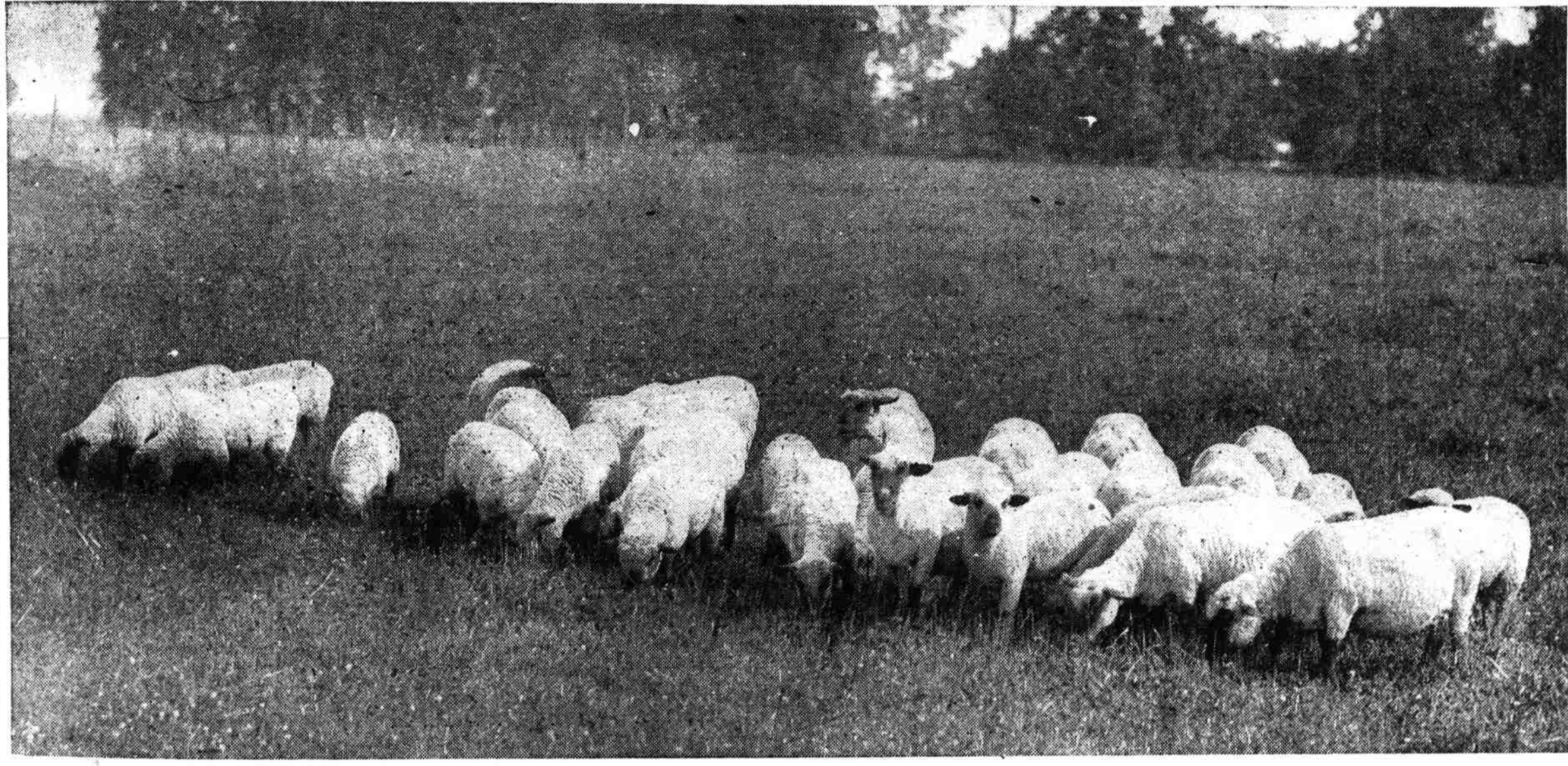
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Plant Plenty of Potatoes, Peas, Peanuts, Sorghum and Sugar Cane

WITH war, possibly long and exhausting, a certainty, it is the duty of every American farmer to himself, his family and his country to do his utmost to help feed the nation. Already the great world conflagration has put prices above anything this generation has ever

peas for the table from the first of July until frost. Plant a patch now, and follow it with progressive plantings that will insure a continuous and ample supply.

Still another valuable crop that we should not overlook is the peanut.



SHEEP ON BLUE GRAES PASTURE

known, and the entrance of the United States into the conflict must inevitably put them higher still. Hence for whatever surplus we produce we are certain of a market that will insure good profits.

We have insistently urged that every farmer produce an abundance of the staple food and feed crops—corn, oats, hay, wheat and meat; here let us call particular attention to the vital importance of supplementing these with a large acreage of the so-called truck crops—sweet potatoes, cowpeas, sorghum and sugar cane.

In low cost of production per unit of food value, few crops surpass the sweet potato. It is well adapted to nearly every part of the South, is easily grown, and average yields per acre are high. A further advantage lies in the fact that sweet potatoes may be planted any time from April to July, inclusive, and good crops made. And not only is the sweet potato valuable as a human food, but it is valuable as a pork producer as well.

Another crop that every Southern farmer should plant extensively is the cowpea. It is one of our greatest hay and soil-building crops, and also provides one of the best of human foods. Every farm family should aim to have plenty of green

peas for the table from the first of July until frost. Plant a patch now, and follow it with progressive plantings that will insure a continuous and ample supply.

Finally, every farmer should make certain of an abundance of syrup

by planting plenty of sorghum and sugar cane. South of parallel 33 sugar cane usually does well anywhere from east Texas eastward, while north and west of this territory sorghum is best.

Of course in emphasizing the need for the crops here named, we would not for a moment minimize the importance of the garden, the orchard, the chickens and the milk cows. Each and all of these must be made to do their part toward feeding the family and the country.

In this time of National danger, the Southern farmer, no less than the soldier in arms, has a duty to perform; in helping to feed the nation, he can perform a service no less important than that of the man who faces the guns.

Let every farmer do his duty.

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