

### "City" Farmer Must Surrender Points for Meat From His Farm

The Office of Price Administration has amended its meat rationing regulations to wipe out certain restrictions on the custom slaughtering of home-produced livestock for consumption on the farm, it was announced a few days ago.

At the same time OPA gave details of rationing rules that apply to other situations involving home-produced meat.

When a farmer who brought his own cattle to a custom slaughtering plant for slaughter and dressing had to surrender meat ration points for the resulting meat, while if he killed and dressed the animal himself on the farm the meat was "ration-free", OPA explained.

This situation is eliminated and other meat rationing problems that face the farmer are clarified in the new amendment.

The regulations now provide that a farmer and his family may consume meat raised on any farm he owns or operates, and may transfer meat from one of his farms to another to provide for members of the household, without giving up ration points.

However, if the farmer lives in a city, or any place other than a farm, he must give up ration points for the meat he consumes off the farm, although he need not necessarily pay for the meat in money.

By allowing farmers to use custom slaughtering facilities without surrendering ration points for the meat acquired, the OPA recognizes that slaughtering done at an abattoir by a person regularly engaged in the business is generally done under improved sanitary conditions. Use of these facilities will also result in a greater savings of slaughtering by-products for which there is now a great demand, and which most farms are not equipped either to salvage or market.

A farmer who acquires meat from a custom slaughterer without surrendering ration points, must provide the slaughterer with a certification intended to establish the fact that the meat he acquires is primarily for food for his family and was produced from livestock raised on the farm.

A farmer who sells any meat produced from livestock raised on his farm, whether he slaughtered the animal himself or had it custom-slaughtered, must collect ration points for every sale he makes. The point values of farm-slaughtered meat is determined by the point value of the meat cuts as listed on the official table of point values.

Ration stamps or certificates collected for such sales are turned in to local boards once during each month in which a sale is made, along with a report of the farmer's slaughtering and sales operations.

A farmer who sells meat directly to a consumer may accept red stamps not yet valid for other purchases. The purpose of this provision, OPA explained, is to make it possible for the farmer to sell larger cuts of meat than consumers would ordinarily be able to buy with only currently valid meat stamps.

### Town and Farm In Wartime

#### More Radio Batteries

To bring relief to farmers in non-electrified areas of the nation, production of radio batteries has been boosted to 425,000 a month, the Consumers Durable Goods Division of WPE has announced. If the present rate of production is continued over a twelve-month period, normal requirements for the 3,200,000 radios estimated to be on farms will be met.

#### Get 50 Gallons of Gas Any Time

North Carolina farmers will benefit from a change made in Petroleum Administrative Order No. 4 which allows bulk deliveries of gasoline in quantities of 50 gallons or more, to

## NEW INSECTICIDE REPORTED SUCCESSFUL

### "Lethane" Effective as Rotenone Replacement on Pea, Bean and Cole Crops

INSECT destruction of essential U. S. vegetable crops threatened by the rotenone shortage can be prevented by a synthetic insecticide, according to large vegetable growers and State Experiment Stations who have completed extensive tests with a new "thiocyanate" type of insecticide known as Lethane.

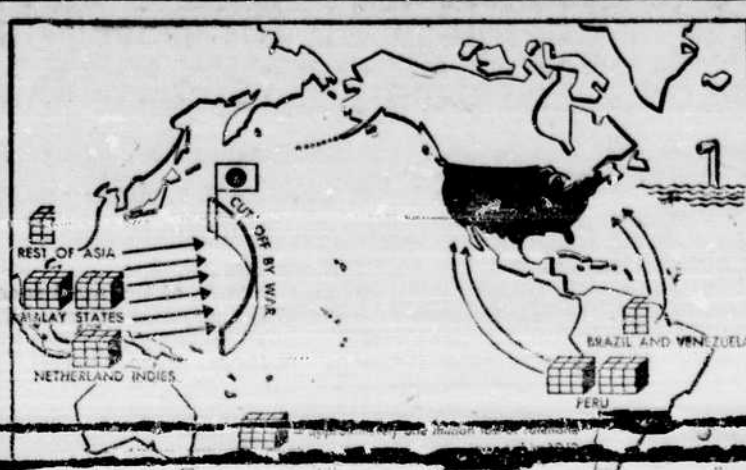
Addition of this new insect-killer to rotenone dusts saves half to a third of the rotenone previously

infesting pea, bean and cole crops. It is expected that enough Lethane will be produced this year to replace the 3,000,000 lbs. of badly needed rotenone roots which Axis submarines and war in the Pacific will keep from this country. The limited amount of rotenone which South America is getting to us is about half the amount we need. To stretch available supplies as far as possible the W. P. B. has limited the rotenone content of dusts to no more than 1/2 of 1%, which is considerably less than the amounts previously thought essential.

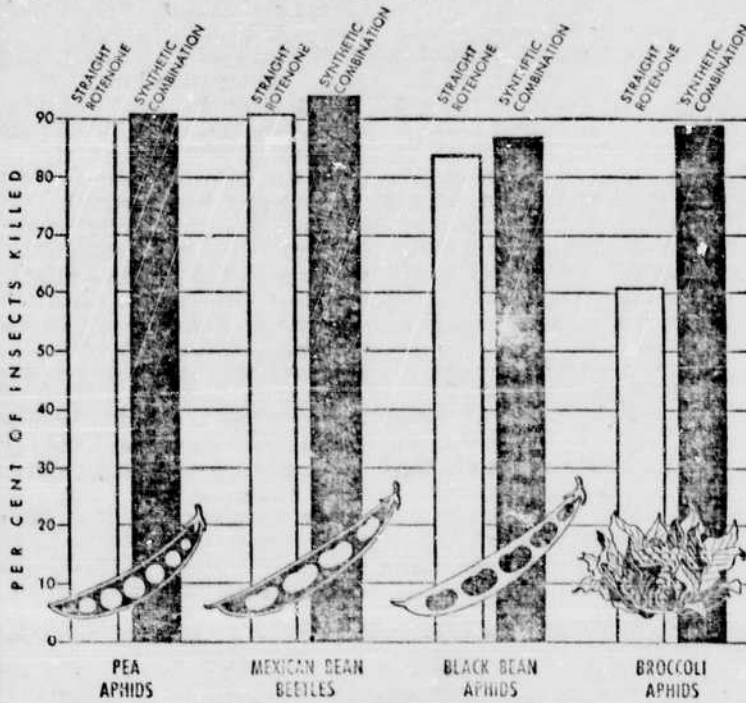
Recently published tests on the pea aphid by Dr. H. E. Wilson and E. J. Campau of the Wisconsin Experiment Station in cooperation with the U. S. Bureau of Entomology and Plant Quarantine show that replacing the bulk of the rotenone with Lethane yielded a dust absolutely safe to plants and even more effective than straight rotenone dusts. These results have been confirmed by the Virginia Truck Crop Experiment Station, by Stokes Brothers' Tennessee Farms and other large pea growers.

On the Mexican Bean Beetle and the Black Bean Aphid, which together annually devour at least 12% of our bean crops, results also show that Lethane successfully replaces at least 50% to 65% of the rotenone usually used.

Dr. Frank App, experimenting at the Seabrook Farms in New Jer-



War in the Pacific and Axis submarines have cut U. S. 1943 rotenone imports to half of the 1940 supply. Rotenone is the bug-killer extracted from tropical roots and formerly a major ingredient of pre-war insecticides.



An American-made synthetic insecticide, called Lethane, halves the amount of scarce rotenone needed for insect control, and gives results frequently better than straight rotenone dusts.

sey, reports that he has had good combinations in controlling the pest standing results with as little as 1/4 of 1% rotenone and Lethane crops.

## HERE and THERE

By Wendell Peele

At least there is one philosopher in Washington City. He is Congressman Disney of Oklahoma. On the wall of his office is this gem of wisdom: "I complained because I had no shoes, until I saw a man who had no feet."

"The sap is an indication of vigor in all trees except family trees."

Mark Twain occasionally attended the services of his good friend, the Reverend Mr. Deane. One Sunday he decided to play a joke on the minister.

"Dr. Deane," he said, "I enjoyed your sermon this morning. I welcomed it like an old friend. I have, you know, a book at home containing every word of it."

"You have not, Mr. Twain!" "I certainly have."

"Send the book to me. I'd like to see it."

"I will."

The next morning Mark Twain sent the rector a copy of Webster's

"Christ rose again!"

"This morning we prayed for you and for all the other loved ones back home. And we trust that you prayed for those of us over-seas, and will continue to pray for us. Your son and all soldiers, would like to be home this Easter Day, but we have a duty to perform first. Some day, by the grace of God, the Prince of Peace will reign."

"Back in the darkest days of the war, when Britain stood alone against the Axis Powers, word reached London that the United States was sending aid. That night there was great rejoicing in London, and people went about the city writing four words on side-walks and buildings and box-cars: 'We are not alone!' Easter should bring new hope and strength and courage to all of us who are Christians. 'We are not alone!' The risen Christ is always with us, no matter where we may be. 'Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world.'"

Dictionary. A wit once said of President Roosevelt that "by going a little more to the left, he came a little nearer to the right."

Epitaph on the tomb of the famous attorney, Sir John Strange: Here lies an honest lawyer—that is Strange.

Add to Scotch Jokes—An Englishman, an Irishman, and a Scotchman each owed five dollars to a certain man. When the man died, the three decided to pay their debt at once.

The Englishman put a five dollar bill in his pocket, the Irishman put the coin in a check for fifteen dollars and took the ten dollars in change.

Which recalls to mind the following alleged incident in the life of former Vice President Garner: It seems that the Vice President and a friend were attending a baseball game on the outcome of which they had wagered five dollars. Mr. Garner lost and proceeded to hand over a five dollar bill. Whereupon his friend requested that the bank-note be autographed as he wished to give it to his young son.

"What will he do with it?" asked the Vice President.

"He will frame it to hang in his room," answered the friend.

To which Mr. Garner replied, "Oh, well then, in that case, I'll just give you my personal check."

Here's a toast to poverty! It sticks to us when all our friends forsake us.

Tongue twister department: The sea ceaseth and it sufficeth us.

The following is dedicated to all those who persist in passing judgment on their fellow men. From "Byron," by Joaquin Miller:

In men whom men condemn as ill I find so much of goodness still, In men whom men pronounce divine I find so much of sin and blot, I do not deem that I have ever met a man whose good has not

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### From where I sit . . .

by Joe Marsh

Friday nights, a bunch of us fellows all get together over at Bill Webster's place.

We don't play cards; we don't sing or carry on.

We just sit quietly over a glass or two of beer and talk about world affairs and local politics, and what not.

You mightn't think that just setting and talking would be so much fun. But it is. And it's wonderful how friendly talk over a glass or two of beer

can bring out the best in people—good sense, for instance, and good fellowship, and tolerance.

From where I sit, there ought to be more of this quiet talk over a glass of beer. Helps folks understand each other—and be more friendly to each other in these trying times.

Joe Marsh

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### Writes About Easter Close To War Front

In a letter to Chief W. B. Daniel, Chaplain Harold M. McClay told about Easter Morning close to the firing lines. The letter follows:

"This is Easter Morning all over the world—the day that we celebrate the rising of our Lord Jesus Christ from death and the grave. It is Easter here in Africa, as well as in America. And the risen and living Christ is here with us in Africa, just as He is with those of you back home and with our comrades all over the world.

"We thought that you would like to know that your son, now serving his country in Africa, attended our Easter Service early this morning, together with hundreds of other soldiers. You were perhaps still asleep when he and his comrades assembled to honor Christ the King, because our clocks are several hours ahead of yours. Your son, of course, will wish to write you about the Easter Service, but we, as his chaplains, also wanted to write you.

"Easter was different here from any that most of us have ever experienced before. We had no Easter Parade with pretty new bonnets and new spring clothes. And yet, Easter here in Africa is essentially the same as Easter back home. It means that Christ our Lord has triumphed over sin and death, that He has freed us from the stain and

bonds of sin, and that He is alive and present with us! Easter bonnets are nice, but sometimes—small as they may be—they hide the real meaning of Easter. We have seen the real Easter here in Africa, stripped of the non-essential trimmings.



## "How did I know you'd need bombs?"

MORE than half the bombs this country makes exist by what you might call an 'accident.' Some accident, too! I saw it happen.

It was 1935. We research workers at Esso were trying many things with petroleum to see what else we could learn about it. And up came a process for synthetic toluol.

"Well, you need toluol to make TNT. But coal-tar was providing all the toluol the country needed—then.

"However... all the toluol you could get from coal-tar would make far less than half the TNT we're using now! The other half is made by that Esso process perfected back in 1935.

"Now... I didn't know then that you'd

need bombs, and neither did you. And I can hear a lot of people say 'Boy was that discovery a lucky thing!'

"But I don't call it luck. I call it the American idea at work. We hit on that process because free American people expect so much that American companies have to learn everything they can about new and better methods just to stay out front in business.

"If this war didn't prove anything else, it would prove that nothing like America ever existed anywhere before.

What other idea ever did so many people so much good in peacetime? What other idea ever turned out so much might so fast in time of war?"



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