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## Reality

Last year there was a lot of talk about Victory Gardens. A great many people took their garedening more seriously than they ever had before, but they had a feeling that if they failed to conserve and preserve everything grown, they might fall back on the cans in a store.

In 1943 there is no such relief offered for those who heed not the warning from the government, for that those who eat next winter will do so by the sweat of their brow in the hot summer sun. We are all drafted in the great army for increased food production. It is as much the duty of the civilian to carry this load as it is the men in the armed services to fight.

In this great challenge for food production we are very fortunate in Haywood County. We have no congested centers. The greater part of the population is rural. In the towns there is plenty of vacant land for every family to have a small garden, where vegetables may be grown for canning and also for fresh vegetables during the summer months.

Few families are so situated that they cannot produce the major amount of vegetables for their own table in this area. It is going to take work, and hard work. With the labor shortage, it will mean that sports will have to be neglected for the exercise to be had from gardening.

Perhaps there will be a silver lining in the passing of the time honored custom of "joy riding." We admit that at the close of a hot summer day, that little trip to "nowhere", just for a bit of fresh air was a very fine thing, but it's gone. Plan to turn your weary self to the garden in 1943 in the shank of the evening. For one thing we bet the health of the gardeners will be the best in years.

Gardening in 1943 will be a self preservation measure, if you want to eat, you will have to make your own food.

Have you had your garden plowed? If not, call 167 and the county farm agent will tell how it may be done.

Next winter, if our meals are not well balanced, there will be no excuse, for the government and local authorities have warned us in plenty of time. Let's all get on the

### County Agents

We know that the offices of the county farm and home agents were primarily set up for the benefit of the rural population, but we fear that the agents will have to carry a new load. The town folks are going to need their advice this year just as much as the farmer down Cove Creek or the housewife up on Cruso.

They can supply a lot of timely advice just now. In their offices are U. S. agricultural department pamphlets on just about every subject you are going to need in this turning back of the calendar to the good old days when we lived at home.

It makes no difference to them where you live, if they can help you, they are glad of the opportunity. They are leading the way in the 1943 food production goals, so if you want to know how to work out your gardening and food conservation problems carry them to them, for they know the answers.

More Americans have been lost since Pearl Harbor to the war effort through accidents on the home front than have been killed, wounded or captured in the war itself.

#### It's Time To--

We noticed some pertinent advice to farmers this week, but many of the items could well apply to those who live in towns. No matter where you hang your hat and call it home, in town or on the farm, read the following:

First ask yourself-Will my farm plans enable me to do all I can to help America lick Hitler in 1943?

-Keep tractor going day and night if it will help you or your neighbors to produce

Use alle mules in bigger teams per plow hand for more effective work

Observe how may be earlier the casts falls:

parted becames are mady to form "or that" I am we are built or set wood to: stand the hour of spring radius:

the manufacture about likely boys from town to believe rush seasons.

Mith cass dix The country needs the . the milk and butter.

Becausing one or more heiters to replace the present milkers.

Guard against core mule stemptors with the first heavy work. Be training a new tractor operator for the

one you may lose. Plan to produce twice your home needs for

vegetables. Sell wahut trees over 12 inches in dia-

—Top-dress the oats and barley and wheat.

-Bed only sound, treated sweet potatoes.

—Learn how to produce salable butter. —Check up on supplies of all seeds.

-Treat seed peanuts, cotton, corn.

—Set a tree in honor of a soldier. —Watch out for late cold snaps.

—Get needed bee equipment.

-Keep the pigs growing.

—Fertilize kudku fields.

—Sow lespedeza.

### Jeepers .

With the problems of plowing and gardening on every hand the following excerpts for a can of beans or tomatoes . . from an editorial from the New York Times year, 1943, is going to be a differis of special interest:

ing a fleet of jeeps, with American soldiers change. . . . at the wheel, to help with the spring plowing. Not a bad idea, from any angle. Farmers over here have been itching to get their if the events of this critical era hands on a jeep to plow their gardens, bring cannot make new persons out of our in the cows from the back pastures, mow former selves . . . we aren't worth the front lawns and tote the eggs and milk ern Africa . . . in Australia . to town. A jeep would be a handy gadget or out in the Pacific . . . are making on the farm.

"And the American boys over there, many will take every ounce of energy we depressing sight . . . we don't know riety of them." of them Midwesterners, will no doubt com- have to give . . . the time for leis- when we have seen so many serious pete for the plowman's job if only to smell have to grow dusty ... but the new "Frozen sign had suddenly brought again the tang of fresh turned fields, hear point rationing system will take the situation to their own home. the spring birds clamoring for upturned worms, know the satisfaction of a clean will not be deteriorating mentally straight furrow. Farm boys make good . . . idle talk among both women soldiers; but they also make good farmers, and men will grow lax . . . we are all going to be too busy this year for they have spring rain in their blood. running our own business to try The nation that everybody raised on a farm to make suggestions to the other grows up with a deep-seated vectoring to grows up with a deep-seated yearning to knows his own problems better escape is not quite true. If it was, we'd than his friends who sit in judghave been importing all our food several ment on him. . . . generations ago.

"If they put those Midwestern boys in be the hardest, toughest year our jeeps to do the English farming, however, generation has had to endure. But the conservation of shoes but also and fond of it." they'd better watch out. Those lads have we can make it, if we will, one of the most glorious years in our hisbeen used to plowing in a country where an tory" . . . recently said James F. eighty-acre farm is just a 'patch', where Byrnes, director of Economic Staba furrow less than half a mile long is nothing more than a practice run.

"Some of them have been heard to say that it's hardly worth a man's time to get of things during the past year . . out the tractor to plow a twenty-acre field; such as trying to match up "wid it's less bother just to spade it up by hand owed stockings"... in our dw ling collection of passe nylons some slack morning. Turn a lad of that we haven't been able to buy hair persuasion loose in an English field and pins . . . and a lot of small items something has to give. It might be a stone cessities . . . but 1942 will be mild wall or a fine old hedgerow; it might be a to the dramatic and drastic situatradition."

Monday morning bright and early the one in the matter of meeting food hundred workers in the area served by the Haywood Chapter of the Red Cross started their work to raise \$4,000. Last week we urged you to take on your part of the re- lucky enough to be able to in sponsibility of this drive.

Again we remind you. We feel that the drive, however, will go over big, for there tried each one are too many homes in this area from whence fatigue . . . there is a great pride men in the service have gone for the appeal to go unheeded. In these homes, people will realize that the sacrifice of the men must the outdoor part of the gardening be met by a generous donation at home is nothing that can play have to toward this great human agency, which is the tidiness of a kitchen as a day following our boys into the front line of of canning and preparing the fruits

If every housewife saved just one tablespoon of waste fats each day, the armed forces of the United States would be well supplied with glycerine for vital war needs such as gun powder, explosives, recoil mech-woman will not be as glamorous anisms, depth charge release equipment and as that of her sister in the armed other supplies.





# HERE and THERE

Well, galls, we are going to have ainter to turn back the pages of time . . up and called her blessed . . as and step into our grandmother's she serves them meals of well there is no way out . . . | balanced and appetizing dishes and it is not entirely the risult . . , from her own filled cans . but the whole pattern of the to carry the family an adequate garden I have ever had, and I tubes have been issued: rationing of the necessities of life . . and especially that of food . . Uncle Sam tells us that if our families are to have well balanced of the raging battles . . . and our band has charge of the garden and meals, we will have to do many homes are safe from physical deof the things that our grand- struction . . but the war has come one we have ever had and I imag- mond McCracken, Clyde, round mothers did to provide them . . . to our kitchens . . . just as surely ine I will can in proportion."

it's a challenge . . seeing you hungry next winter . . . Keeping up with the Jones's this ent story from the original one "Over in England there is talk of detail- in the days of prosperity . . . we

> If we are patriotic Americans, we are going to change . . . for the fight those boys over in Northfor us to continue to enjoy our homes . . . to meet this change, the same kind of mental exertion as the new bridge scoring . . . so you

"The coming year is going to lization . . . (this from someone in a position to know the inside story of America today)

heretofore considered absolute ne tions of 1943 . . . A major crisis on the Home Front is the respon-

Gardening and the preservation of food are going to be the chief occupation of the women who are dulge in this essential war effort accomplishmens much so that the tired feeling pass-

to the kitchen routine . . . for there or vegetables steaming canner child's play . both types of effort this summer, if families are to eat properly next winter.

We also admit that the job or the home front for the American

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supply . . . without help at home. .

We may not be in the direct line we are literally going to have to as if the Japs and the Germans use "every bit of the pig but the had dropped bombs on our colored linoleum floors . . . but we can Can you take it? . . . Too bad, if fight this ravage on the food supyou can't . . . we hate to think of plies, if we will take the danger signals that are being flashed in front of us . . . seriously. .

Now Grandma was a thirfty person in her day . . . she had to be . . for it was to create by her plant more of every vegetable I Francia, Waynesville, 1 passe are living in a period of constant own hands . . . or do without of course she had been trained to can more than I have before, from early childhood . brought up in the school of creative domestic arts . . . while we have been sunk in small luxuries so long that we had forgotten how or why they came to be. . . . .

> If you think we are dramatizing other years." the situation too much . . . take a tour around a grocery store . . last Saturday . . . it was a most

Speaking of shoes and thrift . 'hres George has a swell idea having youngsters of his own

he knows all about how they outgrow before they wear out shoes ... so he has suggested a shoes exchange . . . some central place where children's shoes may be brought and exchanged for a nominal sum . . . he has quite a few ideas on how the plan could be operated . . . we wish him luck in getting the plan worked out . for it would mean much not only in in supplying them. . . .

anning proposition . . while it was s too early to get the garden in full swing . . . it would be a grand that? dea to get all your jars organized We have been up against a lot day in the summer comes when listened to a lyre all evening. you need them, they will be waiting , and no time lost. . .

Another thing . . . we have never dvocated slacks . . , not from any few females past the teen age next summer from our efforts when so garbed . . . but for the a big part in winning Victory sibility of the individual civilian chief summer occupation of war even here at home in a Garden

THE OLD HOME TOWN

What purcease in your garden charleng all to do you plan to meet the food per- i-sting inthining

F . . D . Inc.

Ben J Sham I have not had ble, the resolut parties a several years and I plan montion was made man to conquerters of an acre and school office at vegetables and expect to work the brunt of filling hard at cultivation and hope my and issuing the land wife will can the vegetable s

Mrs. T. L. Blalock-'l plan to job to do, you can first when her family rise plant more and to can more this will be done right, and done

> Mrs. T. Grady Boyd "I am goexpect to work in it some myself."

Mrs. H. W. Burnette-"My hus

ing to plant more vegetables in my route 1, 1 truck tire; N. R. garden and on the farm I plan to guson, Waynesville, I truck plant an extra acre in beans and Cuso Electric Co., Waynestill one in potatoes. I sm also plant- truck recaps; W. T. Moody, ning to raise more poultry."

and especially vegetables."

Mrs. L. E. Green-"I plan to grow more vegetables and a greater va-

H. S. Ward-"I plan to plant a tire; Jesse Williams, Erasta

to plant everything that you can grow and eat in this country, and I plan to can all I can get.

first: "Irish-and proud of it."

Lucy-I maintain that love mak-Going back to the gardening and ing is just the same as it always

Pat-But how can you know

. and ready, so that when that about a Greek maiden who sat and

And above all, let's don't feel special sense of modesty, but pure- sorry for ourselves when the perly because we have seen so very spiration rolls down our spines who did not look "their worse" let's be glad that we too can have

By STANLEY



Official And Timely Information On

# Rationed Items

as compiled from records and data on file in the office of the R nescille Rutioning Board, by the community service

> Coupon Good For

3 Gals Envi : Pound-

1 Poursi

toyates to av r

mand four-line in mid to g id light 2 ga

"The work is and in such . . . as en-y and con-

time," a spokesman

Junaluska, 2 truck recaps. C. W. Minett, Waynesvill

new passenger tire; Walter

1, 1 passenger grade 2 tin

passengr grade 2 tire; Tom

Waynesville, 1 new truck tire;

bert Kirkpatrick, Waynesville

passenger grade 3 tire; L

Robert L. Ray, Lake Junalus

luska, 1 passenger grade 3

Lee Rich, Lake Junaluska, 1

senger grade 3 tire; Farady

land, Clyde, route 1, 1 grade 3th

Waynesville, 2 passenger gra

tires; Waldo Green, Clyde, ro

2 passenger grade 3 tires.

Fuller A. Crawford, Lake J

passenger grade 3 tire.

Sam Ferguson, Clyde, route new truck tire and tube; J. T. ard, Cove Creek, 2 new truck t

2 new tubes; West Mining Inc., Waynesville, 1 truck tire tube; Richard Rhinehart, H W. Jarvis Camppbell-"I am gowood, 1 truck tire; George &

Mrs. L. N. Davis-"I plan to grow in my garden and I also plan grade 2 tire; Milford Breeca

Mrs. J. P. Dicus-"Well, I plan to plant more of everything. I have Franklin, Hazelwood, 2 pass always had in my garden and to grade 3 tires and tubes; Roy h also add new things. In canning route 1, 2 passenger grade 3 I expect to double the amounts of

large garden and get everything we possibly can, canned. I believe that Arrington, Clyde, route 1, 2 pa is the only way we are going to ger grade 3 tires; J. E. have sufficient food this year.

Mrs. Felix Alley-"We are going

The Scotchman and the Irish man went to the hotel together. They were asked to sign their names and nationalities on the register. The Irishman signed The Scot scribbled a moment and here's what he wrote: "Scotch-

Lucy-I've just been reading

pronounce them absolutely the per fect attire. .

and Answers Question: When should hear tuce be started? Answer: Seed should be pli in a coldframe at once. Many

TIMELY-

Farm Question

deners who seed early in the sp wonder why their lettuce will head, not knowing that the table will not head after the w er gets warm. In securing the gardener should be sur specify Imperial No. 44, Impe No. 847, New York No. 515, et of the older recognized stan heading varieties. Plant the thinly in a well-prepared frame and take good care of plants. As soon as they are enough, they should be well-prepared bed

Question: How should fed to dairy cows Answer: John A sion dairyman, sayshould be ground to before given to the ground fine, it will tend. an undesirable stick; cow's mouth. Howe er feed largely trouble

Customer-have for grey hair? Conscientious Di madam, but the greatest

A local man was telling ! his men friends at a service

Local Man-I can read my ike a book. Friend-But can up like a book?

The old expression use America First." Now it's A can, first, last and all the time Auction sales originated in

The Allied forces are going to it that they keep right on

A man who starts out to his wife who's boss often