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# Lowly Soybean Proving Important Factor In Economic Life Of U. S.

By JANE EADS

WASHINGTON—The lowly soybean, first introduced into this country in the early 1800s, has developed into one of our most versatile crops. Last year brought close to \$500,000,000 to farmers and manufacturers of soybean products.

Some 220,000,000 bushels of the bean, were grown last year. Illinois was the largest producer, with Iowa and Indiana runner-up, the Department of Agriculture tells us.

Of all the new wartime industries stimulated by the impact of World War II, the soybean industry has shown the most spectacular growth and progress. Soybeans now are used in scores of different ways, from the making of paints to patties, toothbrush handles, to hydro-carbons.

In the Department of Agriculture's Northern Regional Research Laboratory at Peoria, Ill., where most of the scientific research is carried on, new outlets for their use are being constantly worked out.

Gelatin, the new soybean product which stops pills and glues is the latest of these. It is the first vegetable protein product found which pills. It can be whipped like egg-white to make meatloaves for pies and a useful as a water-resistant adhesive.

Gelatin made from a bean that is a protein of alcohol washing and water in reaction with no heating, has a unique stick fast properties. It will stick to tin and glass, as well as to wood, paper and other materials. Laboratory researchers say its first industrial use will be to seal the cork in metal crown cap for bottles.

A wag in the department says that the device of "reaming open the envelope to obtain information—a traditional dodge of spy-story and detective fiction writers—may well become obsolete. The heat of the steam would merely make the glue waterproof," he says.

The greatest single factor which brought change in the life of the soybean was the overrunning of the Dutch Indies and the Philip-

## Homecoming Day Set For Aug. 7 In Iron Duff

By MRS. ROY BEDFORD

Mountaineer's home pendant.

August 7 will be Homecoming Day for the folks who lived in Iron Duff.

They'll get together with their former neighbors for a day of fellowship at the Methodist Episcopal Church.

The morning worship services will open the program with the Rev. L. J. Rogers, the pastor, preaching the sermon.

After dinner on the grounds, there will be an address by some of the people who have come back to visit their former home community.

An invitation is extended to everyone who once lived in the community.

The former Iron Duff citizens will find some new changes in their old stomping grounds, for the Community Development Pro-

grams by the Japs early in the war. This cut off our source of coconut and palm oil and created a shortage of oil just at the time when the Japs were in our country. The only thing to do was to use what we had in large quantities to meet the deficit was the soybean. It oil is the soybean's most valuable component.

Soybean meal and flour are used for a multitude of food and food purposes. For bakery goods, spaghetti, confectionery and food for pets, soybean are also used for the making of tea, extinguishers. A vegetable milk from soybeans is now produced and sold in this country.

Pollen from flower varies in color from white through all the colors of the spectrum to almost black.

THE OLD HOME TOWN By STANLEY



## Good Song Writers Are Far And Few Between Says Elsa

By PATRICIA CLARY

United Press Staff Correspondent HOLLYWOOD (U. P.)—About 999,999 people out of every million think they could write a song. About 9,999 of them a year send songs to Elsa Lanchester.

As far as Miss Lanchester can tell, every last one of them is wrong.

"A week doesn't pass that I'm not approached by people with their dream songs, a little token they whipped up overnight," she said. "They usually sound that way, too."

The suppressed song-writers angle out Miss Lanchester because she is the permanent guest star of Hollywood's tiny Turnabout Theatre and has been singing ballads in its show since 1941.

"All of my songs are simple, funny and straight-forward," she explained. "That's why everyone thinks he can do as well."

Miss Lanchester has a raft of memories of the frustrated balladeers who were sure their songs were meant for her.

Horror Theme Appeals "After they saw me in 'Bride of

Frankenstein,' they sent me half a dozen ballads on a horror theme," she said. "One of them I treasured ended with:

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For I am a three-eyed zombie's wife."

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Miss Barbara Stanwyck Says

## Many Women Think Too Much Of Gimme, Gimme To Get a Good Husband

By PATRICIA CLARY

United Press Staff Correspondent HOLLYWOOD (U. P.)—Barbara Stanwyck says the reason a million single women today can't get husbands is that they concentrate on gimme, gimme, gimme.

"Women have only themselves to blame for most of their troubles," she said. "One of them I treasured ended with:

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Miss Stanwyck, who's starring at Paramount in "File on Thelma Jordan," a Hal Wallis picture, says a marriage must be founded firmly in affection and respect.

"If I were a man today," she said, "I'd think not only twice but five or six times before taking the plunge. Too many gents have already been taken to the cleaners."

Want Cadillacs

"The little nest a girl talks about

turns out to be an extremely plush nest in Bel Air. They want to date men with convertible Cadillacs and sneer at the poor 200 to a '38 Ford. They're on the verge of a Neon sign. And just as things are getting better for the single women, however, if they continue to be feminine and infatuated, they went on.

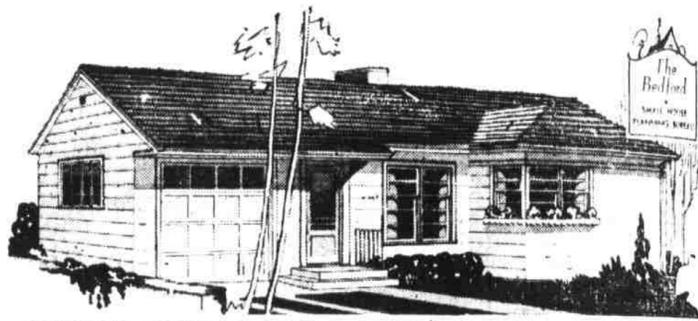
"A girl must be happy and accept herself gracefully," she said. "I don't dye my hair for a man. It's rather grey. Well, I like the way I'm not 22 any more, and what's wrong with grey hair? I'm all a part of making gracefully."

"Things like that about a man don't matter if she can be sexy and feminine."

The nation's spinsters, hurry up and start making the little things and the little thoughts of the men the

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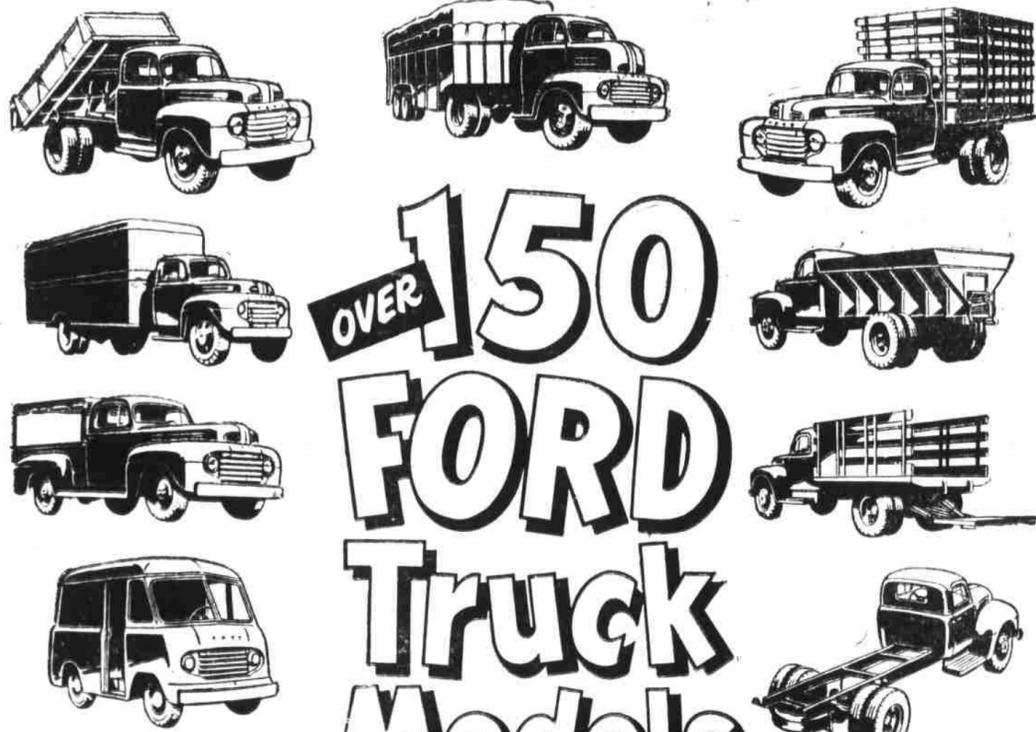
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