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CURING PORK AT HOME '

Raleigh, Jan. 3 .- In North Carolina there is an old but apt saying that December killed meat never spoils in curing. The reason for the prevalence of this idea is because the weather in December is usually cold enough to drive the animal heat out of the meat before it is ready to put in the curing solution, says Earl Hostetler, of the animal industry division of the State College and Department of Agriculture.

"Home cured pork, when properly handled, commands a premium on most of our markets in the state and therefore it is a good practice for the farmer to not only cure his own supply, but also to cure some surplus for sale," says Mr. Hostetler.

While home curing of pork should be a part of every farm program it is believed that no one should attempt it unless he has fully decided that he will take the time and care necessary to do the work properly. There is really nothing difficult or mysterious about curing pork and the greatest loss each year is due to hurry to put the meat in cure and negligence after the meat is hung up. Meat with the animal heat still in it or meat that has been frozen will spoil in the cure, and properly cured and smoked meat will become infected with skippers unless the store house is either screened with fine screen or the meat wrapped securely.

There are numbers of curing recipes and every one has his own favorite; however, the basis of all these and the only real curing agent is saft. Saltnetre will preserve the color and sugar or molasses will improve the flavor but without sale these would be worthless. Excellent results have been botained by the office of swin investigations when 12 pounds of salt. 3 pounds of brown sugar, 3 ounces of saftpetre and 6 gallons of water were used to each 100 pounds of meat.

One million pecan trees for Eastern Carolina in the next four years" may sound like an ambitious program but it is worthy of fulfillment. A good start has been made by agricultural extension workers.

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Watch Well Your Bank Books

Whether one believes the rich should bear the governmental burdens of the poor through the medium of excessive taxation on large fortunes or feels that every man should contribute a pro rata share of his income for the support of the country, the fact remains that men of great wealth have clearly demonstrated their power to block the wheels of industry by removing capital from business enterprises and placing it in non-taxable securities. Also it now appears that in the Mellon plan of taxation, which spells reduction, there appears to be a readiness on the part of the men of millions to change front, put more money into industry, and aid in restoring a greater prosperity to the country. These are facts, not opinions.

Every indication for the new year is bright. There has been an unprecedented spending power displayed during the holiday buying season which reflects confidence in the future. Merchants, of course, are ordering with great caution, but this bespeaks rather a sound foundation of the business structure, healthier than would be the wholesale ordering of merchandise.

Most impressive of the signs of better times, however, is the universal cheerfulness of the utterances of big business men and financiers, the latter unquestionably enthused over the thought of a possible reduction in their enforced payments to the government. They all look for sound improvement, and every indication is that their belief will be justified unless the congress by some unfortunate stroke spills the beans."

The Secretary of Agriculture, after reviewing the distressing conditions under which the farmers have labored, states that the general agricultural situation is most gratifying. Secretary Hoover sees the bright light ahead. Great merchants are optimistic and Wall Street smiles in hopefulness possibly with the thought that the time is growing nearer when easier money will lead the next batch of lambs to the slaughter. There has not been a Wall Street "clean up" in a long time, and the wolves are getting hungry. With prosperity staring us in the face it behooves those who have saved a few dollars to beware. Possibly some fortunes may be made before long by the lucky and the daring, but history tells only one reliable financial storythat of the tortoise and the hare.

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soft and looking the new if before they are put away they are rebbed with vaseline.

Silver Stains. Did you know that the water in which potatoes have been boiled is excellent for removing stains from silver?

Rolling Meat.—Next time Instead of rolling meat in four before frying try toasted corn finkes. It gives the meat a delicious nutty flavor.

Perspiration Stain A parapira-tion stain on a silk blesse may be removed by sponging with warm water into which a little ammonia has been added. Then sponge the place thoroughly with clear water (the same temperature). After that press the garment before it has had time to dry thoroughly.

Mildew Speaking of stains-mildew is one of the most stubborn to remove. The first thing that should be tried is lemon julce and sunshine. If that fails, try lemon juice and starch, making a paste then put out in the sun. Chioride o lime may be used as a last resort. It is very strong, so only a few drops may be used at a time.

Table Lines. Table lines should not be subbed hard in the wash. I is liable to separate the threads, and besides, the linen does not really need such severe treatment. If lines is put through a wringer the wringer should first be loosened. Never starch real linen. Take down from the line when half dry. The damper the better. Fold evenly and fron with a heavy iron. An eight or ten-pound fron will make the linen look like new. It needs weight on it, as it tiff and starch is should be fairly

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