

Nutrient's Spices
Spices rate low in nutrients, but garlic and chili are reported to be exceptions. The former, a red spice from a mild-flavored pod pepper, rates high in vitamin A. Chili powder, now 10th on the list of spices, according to the amount consumed, also offers plenty of vitamin but lacks the C that is present in the red and green chili peppers.

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vidual holdings of government bonds have increased \$35 billions. Business enterprises, incorporated, have increased their holdings in cash, bank deposits and government securities by more than \$10 billions since the end of 1939.

American agriculture is BIG business, so reports the U.S. Department of Agriculture in a new report. "The Balance Sheet of American Agriculture, 1945." Farmers' assets now total 90 billions; may be 97 to 99 billions by 1946. Cash on hand totals 11.8 billions. . . . 188 per cent more than farmers had just before the war. . . . 20 per cent increase over 1944. Liquid assets, bonds and cash, will run about 15.5 billions. Compared

to this, farmers owe less than 9 billions for a net worth of about 82 billions, just 87 per cent more than in 1941, four years ago!

Returning veterans who contemplate purchase of a farm are urged to consult the local county agricultural agent and the county land use map before signing on the dotted line. This advice comes from the agricultural committee of the Michigan state planning commission, as a result of rising price inflation of Michigan farms.

Quoting the financial editor of the New York Times: "The threat of inflation is greater at the present moment, on every possible evidence, than it has ever been since the Civil War."

Bank Commissioner Nelson points to these encouraging signs: Many people still remember the Michigan bank holiday . . . recall the long depression with bread lines and hard times . . . and are going to pay off their debts now, hold on to war bonds and bank deposits later. While some people may squander money foolishly, they're in a minority, as Nelson sees it.

Suspension of officials in charge of the state prison at Jackson, decreed by the state corrections commission last week, following Attorney General John Dethmer's sensational disclosures of maladministration, brings up the authority of the governor over appointive state boards. The act creating the correction commission gives the governor specific power to suspend any member "for a cause established on hearing." General statutory rights clothe the governor with power to suspend any state officer pending a hearing of grievances. Gist of the Jackson showdown is this: If the corrections commission hadn't acted, Governor Kelly would have done so on his own.

A greater postwar demand for dentists than for medical doctors is predicted by Dr. Russell W. Bunting, dean of the University of Michigan dental school. Reason: Public's new awareness of importance of good teeth. Too many young men were rejected for military service because of poor dentures.

Michigan has contributed more than 2200 doctors of medicine to the armed forces, announces the Michigan State Medical society. As of April 1 the Michigan Medical Service, cooperative insurance

agency, had paid \$10,514,359 to doctors for services performed to citizen subscribers. This private medical service is financed by 777,104 Michigan residents.

Why was Senator Warren G. Hooper killed? The Hooper murder conspiracy trial at Battle Creek and the forthcoming September trial of Frank D. McKay and associates serve to remind us that the "smoke" which prompted the calling of a one-man grand jury at Lansing was the legislative controversy over group banking. Interesting enough, while the grand jury has issued warrants covering many other matters, the bank case is still open and indictments are yet to be made.

Public schools of Michigan will get more than 10 per cent increased state aid during the new fiscal year. The legislature raised this from \$50 millions to \$56.8 millions and added \$12 millions for the teacher retirement fund.

New Laws: Teaching of the general history of the United States and of Michigan will be required. Schools may provide noon lunches and assess charges for them. Automobile drivers must bring their cars to a full stop ten feet behind a school bus loading or unloading pupils.

Enforcement Agencies The FBI and the Secret Service are not the same. The Federal Bureau of Investigation, in the U. S. department of justice, was founded in 1908 by Attorney General Charles J. Bonaparte, grandson of Jerome Bonaparte, Napoleon's youngest brother. Its chief function is investigation of all espionage, sabotage and matters pertaining to internal security and violations of federal criminal laws, as well as all investigations under the Selective Training and Service act.

The treasury department's U. S. Secret Service, created under Act of June 23, 1909, is charged with protecting the President, his family and the President-elect. One of its major functions is detection and arrest of counterfeiters, forgers or those altering any coins, obligations or other securities of the United States or foreign governments. It investigates violations of specific federal laws, offenses against the Federal Deposit Insurance corporation and crimes against laws of the United States relating to the treasury department and branches it controls.

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ADDITIONAL HELP NEEDED BY RED CROSS

C. G. Rudderham, chairman of the Oakland County Chapter, American Red Cross, states that he has recently received word from the American National Red Cross that there is a desperate need for additional staff to provide Red Cross service to Army and Navy Hospitals. A recent survey indicated that, less than half of the work needed in hospital service throughout the country are now on duty. The local chapter has been assigned a recruitment quota of one social worker, one recreation worker, and three staff aides.

Particulars regarding the three positions may be secured from the Chapter headquarters, Pontiac 2-8393 or the Southern Oakland Office, Royal Oak, Lincoln 2-1850.

Leap Year Leap year generally, but not always, occurs at four-year intervals. The true astronomical year, however, is 365 days, five hours, 48 minutes and 46 seconds, while the calendar year is an even 365 days. This means that for each calendar year that is observed there is a surplus of nearly six hours in the astronomical year. This is absorbed by adding one day to the calendar at four-year intervals. But this, then, gives the average calendar year a length 11 minutes and 14 seconds in excess of the true astronomical year. To make the necessary adjustment in the calendar a year which has two ephers, (1600, 2000, etc.) is a leap year only when exactly divisible by 400.

Hogs Enjoy Eating Hay Hogs particularly like bright alfalfa or clover hay, and feeders have found good protein value in such feed. Brood sows make use of legumes twice a week to advantage. Young pigs jump around with delight when they get a ration of this kind.

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