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TRACTORS AND REDS

High among the instruments of victory in World War II stand tractors. History will record their phenomenal performance following landings in Europe and Asia. Their work will multiply with reconstruction and expansion of agriculture. Two big plants at Farmington, Wis., turn out huge quantities. In that state, too, are produced nationally known mattresses, aluminumware and overalls—prize time necessities. Their production will contribute to the Nation's wealth from which War Bond holders will benefit.

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WAGE BOOSTS FOR TELEPHONE EMPLOYEES

The Michigan Bell Telephone Company has been advised by the National Telephone Commission that wage increases of \$3 to \$5 a week have been ordered for 5,500 women of the company's traffic department, retroactive to Dec. 16, 1944.

The wage boost, which total \$100,000 a year for 2,300 women in the Detroit Area and 3,200 outside, are the second ordered for company employees in recent weeks. An increase totaling \$600,000 a year for 2,500 non-supervisory men in the company's plant department was approved earlier.

Demands for a \$7-a-week blanket increase had been pressed by Michigan Telephone Employees' Federation, representing the women employees in the dispute. The company had offered a \$1 blanket increase in Detroit and \$2 outside. Women employees affected are non-supervisory central office personnel including operators, service observing, and dining service employees.

Discovery of Mississippi. Hernando de Soto, an early Spanish explorer, discovered the lower course of the Mississippi river in 1541. The Spaniards did not follow up his discovery and there is no further record of white men on the river for 132 years.

SIGN LANGUAGE OF HUNGRY CROPS TELLS PLANT FOOD NEEDS

CHICAGO—The simple formula "ask the plant itself" was recommended to midwest farmers as the best means of discovering the causes of plant food hunger that bring about costly crop failures every year.

"Plants starving for nourishment have a sign language that readily reveals their distress to any farmer who watches the foliage and size of the plants during the growing season and then examines the appearance of the matured crop at harvest time."



Crops Tell Their Own Story of Plant Food Hunger.

time," says a statement made public here by the Middle West Soil Improvement Committee.

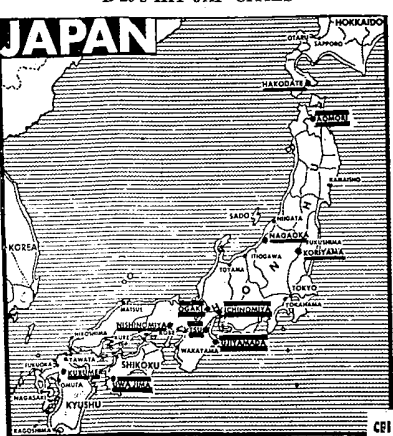
"For instance, crops that are stunted for plant food tells its hunger story in a variety of ways. When nitrogen is needed, the leaves are greenish-yellow or orange-yellow and the tips are withered. When sufficient phosphorus is lacking, the leaves have a tendency to become purplish and the young plant is spindly and unthrifty. When potassium is needed, the leaves are scorched and the plant is more easily susceptible to diseases and parasites. At harvest the ears are chaffy and of poor quality."

"Legumes, wheat and other grains, potatoes and other field crops reveal their hunger distress by various signs, all of which tell their need for nitrogen, phosphorus and potash. From experience with their 1944 crops, farmers may determine how the lack of essential fertilizer elements speeded the difference between bumper yields and failure."

"One safe remedy for diet deficiencies of all kinds is to have the soil tested before planting time to determine just which elements are lacking. But the surest preventive is to see that the land is regularly supplied with plenty of mixed fertilizer containing nitrogen, phosphorus and potash."

Protein Supplements
Nutritionists have never expected that all of a day's 60 or 70 grams of protein would come from animal foods. We usually get about a fourth of our protein from cereals. Many of our American style dishes use one of the protein foods to supplement another in highly nourishing combinations. Oatmeal and milk, for example. The grain food can do a better protein job because it's teamed with the animal protein of milk. Meat and vegetable stew, macaroni and cheese, milk and egg custard-corn-pudding... all are such combinations.

B-29's HIT JAP CITIES



Less than 24 hours after Major General Curtis LeMay "called his shots" about 60 B-29 Superfortresses of his former 20th Bomber Command spilled 3,500 tons of bombs on six of the eleven Japanese cities named in his "Death List" as marked for destruction. In leaflets scattered over the doomed cities, warning their populations to flee or be killed, LeMay designated the eleven—all of which are shown on the above map with their names underlined. Of these, the six that were hit in the initial attack are indicated by overlines also.

War Expands Uses Of Cotton Products

The army alone requires 11,000 separate cotton products. Items other than clothing which are in demand include insect nets, fuel hoses, self-sealing gas tanks and all of the surgical dressings for the wounded.

In addition cotton fabrics are put to many uses in the electric power and communications system of the newest super-dreadnaught. 425,000 yards of sheeting were consumed. More than 200 yards of cotton cloth are used in the plastic parts of one of our bombers.

The war has also expanded the demand for cotton in other ways. More cotton bags have been needed to carry foodstuffs. In peacetime burlap was imported from India and used for foodstuffs bags; but with restricted shipping, cotton fabrics have been called upon to fill this need.

Erosion Menaces Vast Area Of Middle West Farm Lands

CHICAGO—Although more than 75 per cent of America's Grade A farm land is located in the Middle West, an alarming share of this priceless resource is being lost each year by erosion and the steady drain from marketed crops and livestock, according to a statement by the Middle West Soil Improvement Committee.

The statement listed as "weapons" in the anti-erosion fight such measures as "a permanent soil building program that includes regular crop rotation, the growing of legumes for cover purposes and adequate applications of mixed fertilizer."

"While legumes are an important source of nitrogen and help replenish the land's humus," says the statement, "they make excessive demands on the soil's supply of phosphorus and potash. These demands must be met by adequate fertilization."

Woolen Sweaters Can Be Safely Laundered at Home

Woolen sweaters can be safely laundered at home. If handled properly, they come out soft and fluffy, and will fit as well as they did before being washed.

To make sure sweaters keep their original shape after laundering, dry them on a sweater block. First, try on the sweater to be sure it fits well. Then lay it on a piece of heavy cardboard or corrugated paper and draw a line around it, making allowances in the drawing for any changes needed in size. Cut out the frame with a sharp knife or razor, then cut the cuffs and sleeves into separate pieces. Cover the sweater block with unbleached muslin or old sheeting to keep the moisture on the cardboard from staining the garment, and for ease in pinning the garment in place.

It is important to use water of the same temperature for both washing and rinsing for sudden changes in temperature may cause shrinkage. Prepare a generous amount of mild, pure soap suds, and squeeze and work the garment in the suds without rubbing. If the garment is made of pure wool, the sweater, neck, or has an occasional spot, scrub the area with a small brush and a thick soap solution before putting the sweater into the suds water. Rinse the sweater twice, squeeze out the water, then roll the sweater in a bath towel, pressing it gently to remove any excess moisture.

WEST POINT PARK

By L. A. Ault

Mrs. George Welch, Mayfield Ave., is somewhat improved after a week's severe illness.

Austin Ault has been on the sick list for a week.

Mrs. Homer Goldman underwent a major operation at Florence Crittenton Hospital the first of last week. She is reported to be getting along as well as can be expected.

Donald Bolander, fifteen year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Bolander, is suffering from a badly bruised foot. "Jim", a workhorse belonging to the family, stepped on the boy's foot.

Marvin Addis is returning to his employment this week after having spent several days under observation.

The last few days have seen an amazing decrease in the dog population of this community. Many dog-owners voluntarily surrendered aged or badly-tempered animals to Mr. Ray Owen, who was the official in charge of the drive. Most citizens were glad of an opportunity to buy licenses at their doors and were quite willing to cooperate in the efforts to make this section safer to all and more free of nuisance.

The Arthur Muirs have left for a two weeks' vacation to be spent in a cottage by Lake Huron.

The Grundys are spending two weeks with Mr. Grundy's mother in Canada.

Mrs. Margaret Martin is home again after spending several days with relatives in West Point.

Mrs. J. W. Ault, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Russell Ault and Mrs. M. E. Ault, called on her nephew, wife, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Keyser, in Huntington Woods Sunday.

Enroute to Grand Rapids to spend Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin L. Johnson and children from over on Clarita, stopped to call on relatives in West Point Park Saturday.

F. Broquet, Norfolk Ave., is now on vacation.

The Nelsons, Norfolk Ave., are vacationing in northern Michigan this week.

Mrs. Edward Stromoski and daughter, Barbara Anne, from near Eloise, were calling in West Point Park Sunday evening. Mrs. Stromoski and Barbara, who live on West Point Park, folks, are about to start on a vacation trip to Homer where Mrs. Stromoski's elder daughter, Mrs. Virgil Commere lives near the camp of her soldier-husband.

Mrs. William Sood, Shady Side Ave., was a visitor at Florence Crittenton Hospital, Detroit, the middle of last week.

Mrs. Jack Tallman was a visitor in Detroit and at Florence Crittenton Hospital Friday afternoon.

Mrs. T. J. Stork, a grand-daughter, Donna Jean Phillips, who have been visiting relatives here for two weeks, are returning to their home in Uniontown, O., the first of this week. Accompanying them for a fortnight's vacation are Mrs. Edwin L. Johnson and daughter, from over on Clarita.

The Roberts family of Farmington Road, have moved to another locality.

Mrs. Harry Wolfe, Sr. of Shady Side Ave. entertained several of her friends Thursday evening.

West Point Park folks participating in a picnic party at the zoo last Wednesday included Mrs. Margaret Martin, Mrs. M. E. Ault and daughter, Lora Anne, and Miss Cora Ault. A number were from Wayne.

Tom Harrison, of Eight Mile Road is to be inducted into the service this week. A wife and child are left at home.

Rev. Axel Edwards spoke in an interesting manner on "The Life of Isaac" at the Neighborhood Bible School Sunday morning.

Rev. Edwards will next speak in the Neighborhood Church at the 6:30 evening service Sunday, August 26th, when he will preach an "End of Vacation" sermon.

John H. Altman, Jr. and sister, Dorothy Q. Altman, are guests of their cousin, Miss Mildred Juntilla of Royal Oak, at Miss Juntilla's parents' cottage by Lake Superior near Calumet. They will remain for two weeks and also visit their grandmother, Mrs. Herman Altman of Calumet.

Rifle Match
The first Great International Rifle Match was held in 1874, when the Amateur Rifle Club of New York accepted the challenge of the Irish Eight, winners of the Elcho shield, which is emblematic of the long distance shooting championship of the British Isles. The match was held at Creedmore, L. I., which was the range of the newly formed National Rifle association. The Americans won 934 to 931. The next year they went to Dollymount and again won 969 to 929.

British Footsold
Madras, on the eastern coast of India, was the first territorial possession of the British East India company.

WASHING--POLISHING LIQUID GLAZING

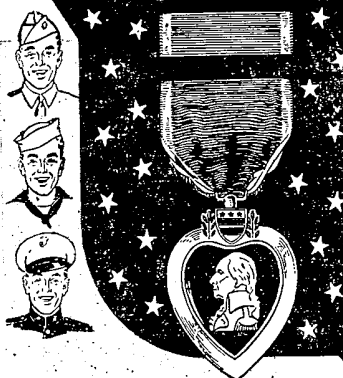
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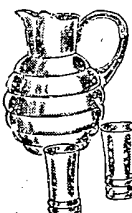
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