

A WHEATLESS WEEK

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Washington.—With Director General of Railroads McAdoo and Food Administrator Hoover holding each other responsible for the crisis in the food supply, it has become known that the administration is considering a proclamation for a wheatless week throughout the country.

If the administration decides upon this course to this expedient, all patriotic Americans will be called upon to abstain from eating wheat products for seven days, grocers will be prohibited from selling wheat flour to consumers and jobbers required to cease supplying the trade.

Food Shortage Grows Critical

Washington.—The eastern part of the United States faces a food shortage likely to continue for the next sixty days.

In making this disclosure Food Administrator Hoover declared that the situation is the most critical in the country's history and that in many of the large consuming areas reserve food stores are at the point of exhaustion.

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Housewives May Use Them in Any Way They Wish

Washington.—Housewives may use wheat flour substitutes in any manner they wish, the food administration points out in a statement declaring that some grocers have misunderstood the wheat flour substitute rule and are requiring purchasers of wheat flour to agree actually to use 50 per cent of other cereals in the bread they bake at home.

New Press Association Officers.

Lincoln.—The Nebraska Press association in session here elected the following officers: President, C. D. Cass, Ravenna News; vice-president, Will C. Israel, Havelock Post; corresponding secretary, A. D. Scott, Edgar Sun; treasurer, Frank O. Edgecomb, Geneva Signal.

Tuscania Victims Reach 204.

London.—Two hundred and four Americans lost their lives on the Tuscania, according to the latest figures received at American army headquarters. Of this total there have been identified and buried, three officers and 137 men; unidentified buried, one officer and thirty-one men; missing (presumably went down with the ship), thirty-two men.

Crown Prince Sends Congratulations

Geneva, Switzerland.—A telegram from Cologne says the German crown prince has telegraphed his congratulations to the different airmen in Germany on the occasion of the 100th air raid on London.

Favors \$2.50 Wheat Price

Washington.—A favorable report on the Gore bill to increase the minimum price for wheat of the 1918 crop from \$2 to \$2.50 per bushel has been made today by the senate agricultural committee.

New Japanese Ambassador

Washington.—Viscount Kikujiso Ishii has been appointed ambassador for Japan to the United States and will soon reach Washington. He succeeds Ambassador Sato, who takes a place on the unassigned roll of diplomatic representatives in Tokio.

Stockholm.—Travelers returning from Russia report food conditions desperate. They say the principal grave situation with regard to food is in respect to bread, which contains straw, and is almost uneatable.

WHEATLESS WEEKS MAY COME

Oklahoma Man Fears It if Farmers are Not Encouraged

Washington.—Wheatless days will be expanded into wheatless weeks in the year 1919 unless something is done to stimulate production of wheat and to restore confidence of the wheat-raising farmer.

Will Soon Call on Training Camps

Washington.—The draft of the second increment of 500,000 men to the national army will be initiated about May, according to an order awaiting the signature of Secretary of War Baker.

Ravaged by Civil War

London.—Belated dispatches from Russia furnish further revelations of the disordered conditions prevailing throughout the former empire, ravaged by civil war and apparently about to be subjected to another military attack by Germany.

Fatalities in Burlington Wreck

Holdrege, Neb.—Mrs. Nettie Howe of Eustis, and Gordon, her 8-year-old son, were killed and twenty-five injured, two of them seriously, when a Burlington train was derailed four miles east of Curtis.

Asked to Spare the Pigeons

Washington.—The army signal corps has requested the public to refrain from the shooting of pigeons. Numerous complaints have been made that carrier pigeons of the racing homer type have been shot by hunting expeditions, and the important work of training the birds for military service has been seriously interfered with.

Finland Capital Terrified

Stockholm.—The reign of terror in the Finnish capital is telling on the nerves of all the inhabitants. Every evening some of the men who have left their homes and families in the morning fall to reappear in the evening.

French Pierce Teuton Lines

Paris.—French troops have penetrated the German lines northeast of Courcy on the Aisne front and returned with a number of prisoners. A lively artillery duel was maintained in the Champagne notably in the sector of Butte du Mesnil, where American batteries are stationed.

Says Nebraska Boys are Living Well

Lincoln, Neb.—Prof. Laurence Fossler, head of the German department of the university, has returned from Camp Funston, where he visited for several days with the Nebraska boys. He was on the whole favorably impressed with conditions at the camp, and on his return was of the opinion that Nebraska boys are living in a more healthful environment at Funston than would be possible if they were civilians.

NEXT LIBERTY LOAN

COMING ISSUE WILL BEAR 4 1/2 PER CENT INTEREST.

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NO CLAIM TO ESTATE

State Supreme Court Hands Down Decision in Famous O'Connor Case. Back to Lower Court.

The state supreme court has ruled that the state of Nebraska cannot maintain its suit for possession of the property of John O'Connor, who died in Hastings, owning valuable farms in Adams county, and which the state has laid claim to because of alleged lack of proper heirs of the deceased, until all private claimants to the estate, totaling about 150, have had a chance to present their claims in the probate court of Adams county.

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Douglas county has the highest tax levy of any county in the state, according to a compilation prepared by Secretary Benecker of the state board of equalization. The tax levy in Douglas is 166 mills. McPherson is the lowest, with a levy of but 28 mills.

Paul S. McAulay of Omaha was named superintendent of the state industrial school for girls at Geneva by state board of control. He succeeds Miss Lydia J. McMahon, who recently resigned at the request of the board, following developments regarding relations of the bandmaster, Prof. Fagan, and one of the young women employees.

West Point Home Guard company now comprises nearly 500 men, with a prospect of many more yet to join. E. J. Patton of Stella, who has a contract to furnish walnut logs for the manufacture of gun stocks expects to make a shipment of about 25 car loads before long.

Omaha Ministerial union unanimously passed resolutions indorsing prohibition. The name of Cardinal Gibbons of the Catholic church, who recently reaffirmed his opposition to prohibition, was mentioned in the discussion.

The Masonic temple craft of Omaha will present a service flag to the stockholding bodies of the Masonic temple on March 1, who will in turn dedicate it. This flag has 400 stars and is said to be one of the largest in the United States.

The Lincoln Traction Co. lost its fight before the state railway commission for an emergency fare of 5 cents straight replacing the six-for-a-quarter rate which has been in force in the city for years.

The test case involving the soldier voting law has reached the Nebraska supreme court on an appeal from Douglas county. It has been advanced for argument by the court for its next sitting, beginning March 4.

The Nebraska recreation hall, recently dedicated at Camp Funston, has a seating capacity for 2,000 persons. It is described as an ideal structure and as one of the finest at any cantonment in the country.

The Big Chief Oil & Gas company's well near Red Cloud has reached a depth of 1,825 feet. The drill is going through a stratum of blue shale and experienced oil men state that the prospect for finding oil is excellent.

The proposed plan to have a county farm agent appointed in Buffalo county is meeting with considerable opposition. It is stated an organized effort is under foot to defeat the agent plan.

Crete Red Cross workers have sent the following pieces to Chicago: One hundred thirty-three sweaters, 194 pairs of socks, 94 pairs of wristlets, 23 mufflers and 58 helmets.

Two hundred thousand bushels of Nebraska potatoes have gone to ruin in Box Butte county, alone, because of lack of market facilities, according to reports.

The Lincoln school board has abolished spring vacations, to release 12,000 pupils two weeks earlier for farm work.

Twenty Nebraska chapters of the National League for Women's Service will attend the state convention at Omaha February 28.

Webster county farmers will hold a big mass meeting at Red Cloud next Saturday to consider employing a county agent.

Schools of Valley will hold Saturday sessions for the remainder of the year in order that the larger boys may be released early for farm work.

Beatrice Elks recently celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of the order.

The annual Nebraska state bowling tournament will be held in Omaha March 16 to 24.

According to State Auditor Smith, taxes due for state administration from 1917 assessments amount to \$4,471,547.13, based on an assessed valuation of \$527,209,666.

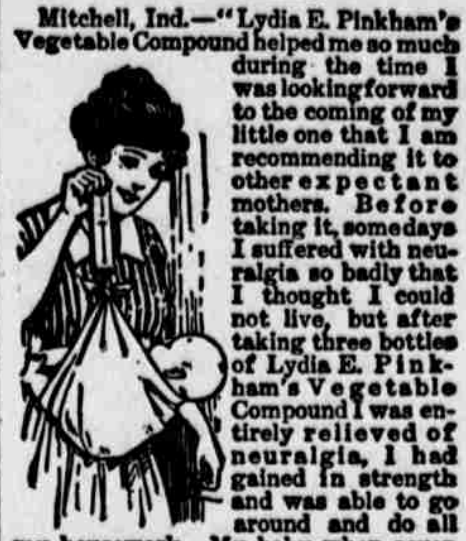
Following reports that a great spring wheat seed shortage existed in Madison county an investigation brought to light that farmers in the county are holding large quantities of seed wheat for higher prices.

State Engineer Johnson has prepared a table showing division of Nebraska into nineteen good road districts, and giving the federal fund allotment for each district. The total federal appropriation for the state is \$3,167,911.24 for the next five years, \$1,296,398.75 of which is to be spent this year.

Gage county millers have signed an agreement not to exchange flour for wheat unless the owner of the wheat is willing to take an equal amount of wheat substitute.

MOTHERS TO BE

Should Read Mrs. Monahan's Letter Published by Her Permission.



Mitchell, Ind.—"Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound helped me so much during the time I was looking forward to the coming of my little one that I am recommending it to other expectant mothers. Before taking it, some days I suffered with neuralgia so badly that I thought I could not live, but after taking three bottles of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound I was entirely relieved of neuralgia. I had gained in strength and was able to go around and do all my housework. My baby when seven months old weighed 19 pounds and I feel better than I have for a long time. I never had any medicine do me so much good."

Advertisement for Carter's Little Liver Pills, featuring a rooster logo and text: "Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. FOR CONSTIPATION have stood the test of time. Purely vegetable. Wonderfully quick to banish biliousness, headache, indigestion and to clear up a bad complexion."

Advertisement for Carter's Iron Pills, featuring a rooster logo and text: "PALE FACES Generally indicate a lack of iron in the Blood. Carter's Iron Pills Will help this condition."

Advertisement for Castoria, featuring a rooster logo and text: "Two Classes of Women. In this country the women are divided into two main classes—those who don't believe all their husbands tell them and those who haven't any husbands.—Indianapolis News. Important to Mothers Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, that famous old remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the Signature of Dr. J. C. Fletchur In Use for Over 30 Years. Children Cry for Fletcher's Castoria"

Advertisement for Cascara Quinine, featuring a rooster logo and text: "No Raise in Price Of This Great Remedy. CASCARA QUININE. The standard cold cure for 20 years—in tablet form—safe, sure, no opiates—cures cold in 24 hours—grip in 3 days. Money back if it fails. Get the genuine box with Red Top and Mr. Hill's picture on it. Costs less, gives more, saves money. 24 Tablets for 25c. At Any Drug Store"

Advertisement for Absorbine, featuring a rooster logo and text: "ABSORBINE. Will reduce inflamed, swollen Joints, Sprains, Bruises, Soft Bunches; Heals Bolls, Pock, Evil, Quittor, Flatulans and Infected sores quickly as it is a positive antiseptic and germicide. Pleasant to use. Does not blister or remove the hair, and you can work the horse. \$2.50 per bottle, delivered. Book 25c free. ABSORBINE, JR., the antiseptic ointment for man and horse, relieves Painful, Swollen Veins, Wrens, Strains, Bruises, sprain and inflammation. Price \$1.25 per bottle or 5c a dose or delivered. Will tell you more if you wish. Liberal Trial Bottle for 10c in stamps. W. F. YOUNG, P. O. F., 310 Temple St., Springfield, Mass."

Advertisement for Soothe Your Itching Skin With Cuticura, featuring a rooster logo and text: "Soothe Your Itching Skin With Cuticura. Soap 25c. Ointment 25c & 50c"

Advertisement for PISO'S, featuring a rooster logo and text: "PERSISTENT COUGHS are dangerous. Relief is prompt from Piso's Remedy for Coughs and Colds. Effective and safe for young and old. No opiates in PISO'S"