Allegany and western Wash- was said.

tableland country.

tween midsummer and Novem had fifty eight blazes covering million bushels. The 1938 notetween midsummer and Novem- had fifty eight blazes covering million bushels. The 1938 pota- common difficulty, the roots 159 acres, and only six were re. to crop is now estimated at 373 should be stored in the coolest ber 15, State Forestry Depart | 159 acres, and only six were reported from the Blue Ridge million bushels — more than 3 part, in barrels filled with peat million bushels bushels barrer than the more days and only six were respectively. eastern Washington counties. 1927-36 average. A survey of damage reported

261 Forest Fires In State

so far this year showed the areas, burned over 2,363 acres,

to date was about equal to that reduce their plantings for the were relatively low and proba- planted as soon as all danger of last year, except for the us- coming year as a result of the bly have served to discourage of frost is past. ual severity of fires in Garrett's low prices received during the growers in these areas. past two seasons. This opinion Maryland's two forest fire recently was expressed by agriseasons extend from March 1 to cultural authorities.

the middle of May, and from the If a smaller production is middle of October to December realized and if consumer pur-10. with relatively few blazes chasing power improves, as Perhaps the most difficult Yuletide decorations for packreported in other months. | now seems likely, both prices part of dahlia culture comes in Sixty-one fires were reported and income received by growers thefall of the year when the from Garrett, causing damage in 1939 would be considerably dormant roots must be stored.

one fires, but only 450 acres issued last week by the Federal University of Maryland Extension Service, cut off the tops 3 counties showed an unusual probably will decrease their or 4 inches aboue the ground number of fires this season — a potato acreage by about 8 per and after a few days, lift the berculosis. They were first sold total of sixteen, covering 206 cent. The largest reductions root clump from the soil, being in this country at Wilmington, acres, reported from the lower are expected in the states where careful not to break the "necks" Dela., in 1907. the late crop is produced, al-

1938 plantings.

was pointed out, the total dry as otherwise some roots widely separated had over 2.363 acres Lighter Production acreage planted to potatoes in will rot and damage the entire likely to be decreased mass. Decay starts in wounds more than half of the total acreage destroyed being cen- Potatoes Expected show greater decreases than dormant eyes start to sprout, the non commercial areas. the individual tubers are sep-

> KEEPING DAHLIA ROOTS THROUGH THE WINTER

to 1,325 acres of timberland. higher than in recent years, it | Very shortly after the tops | } arekilled by frost, it is pointed ington counties listed eighty. The annual outlook report out by Walter R. Ballard, Spec-

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officials reported this area around Frederick and million bushels larger than the moss, dry sand, or sawdust. Care must be taken that the In the intermediate states, it storage material is perfectly

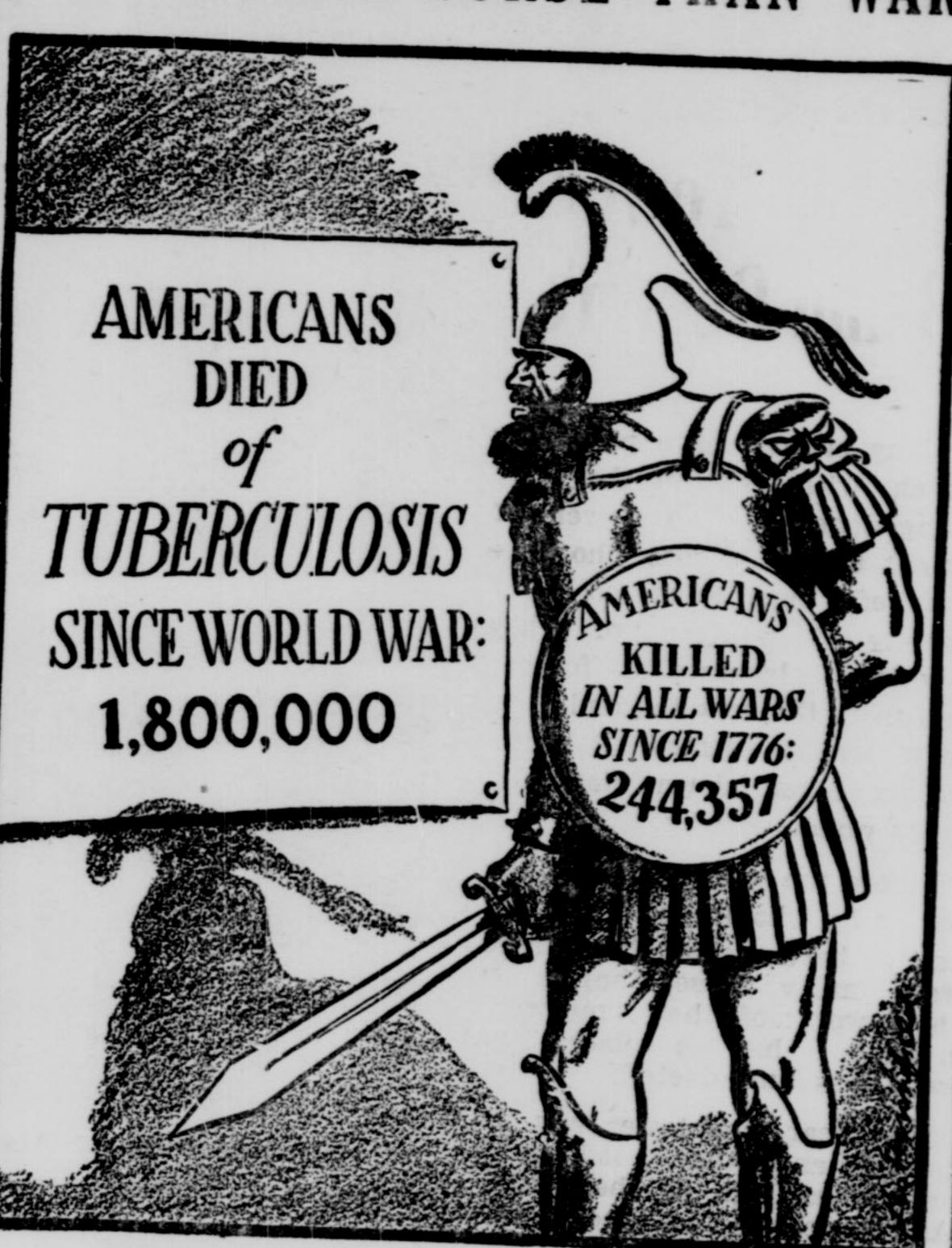
Although figures were incomplete, officials said the damage Potato growers probably will crop in the intermediate States with each tuber. These can be

Seals Have Many Uses Christmas Seals are attractive



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though other areas are expect by which the tubers are at- Mr. Ballard suggests reading can be obtained free of charge Farmers' Bulletin, No. 1370-F, from the U.S. Department of The roots should be allowed Dahlias in the Home, which Agriculture, Washington, D. C.



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