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HOLDING BACK FOODS

Congress had been in session but three days when discussion began on the food price problem. Representatives just home from their constituencies realize the deep dissatisfaction prevailing with the present situation.

It was charged in the House that there are 100,000,000 cans of beef and 50,000,000 cans of bacon being held in the surplus stocks of the army, which are not being released from storage, on the ground that to let them out would cause a glut of food products. Yet prices continue very high.

It is wise to hear both sides of a story, before making up one's mind. It is possible that the government feels it must have this reserve of food to protect the army against any possible renewal of trouble in Germany. Still that is not a serious risk. Germany is down and out.

As far as a glut of meats goes, the American people would just like to see it for a little while. Although naturally a meat eating people, they have been denying themselves meat for years. If for a brief period there should be a larger supply available than is absolutely needed, the people would make very good use of it. They would throng the butchers' shops as of old. Great would be the rejoicing over roasts and steaks at many a humble table that has scarcely known them for the past four years. A larger meat diet for a time would do people good, and help build up working power, which must have declined a little through the period of war abstinence.

The whole situation in regard to food profiteering needs a very careful investigation. The people believe that a great many dealers have grown very rich out of exorbitant prices. It may not be possible to get the money back, but at least it could be shown up who made it, and perhaps how they can be kept from making any more of it.

THE PROFESSION OF HOME MAKING

Some years ago the graduation exercises of all women's schools had a literary flavor exclusively. The white gowned graduates were lovely pictures of refinement and culture. But most of them had been taught pactically nothing about the art which has been woman's chief occupation since earliest history—that of making a home.

In those days women looked down with some contempt upon the art of housewifery. These were things they could pick up any old time. It was soon enough to think of them after they got married anybody could learn to cook and run a house. And besides, servants were abundant and cheap. If the girls married a successful man, they could turn over all home tasks to a maid. So why study them?

To-day many schools are devoted exclusively to the home arts. Domestic science courses are found in high and grammer schools all over the country. They will be about as universal as arithmetic before many years.

The world is realizing better that it requires training to run a successful home. It is not a task that can be looked upon with contempt. To get the most out of a given appropriation for food, to prepare it so it stimulates the appetite and preserves nutrition, is an achievement of which any woman has a right to be proud. Successfully performed it makes the difference between an efficient home, one that sends out a strong and resourceful man, and promising and capable children, and the home of failure and despair.

The schools should give more rather than less time to domestic arts. Here in Westminster no girls should be considered fitted for life, until she is well qualified to conduct a home and rear children according to the best standards of health and efficiency.

ACROSS THE OCEAN

The completion of the first air passage across the Atlantic Ocean will rank for all time as a great triumph of human daring and a superb mechanical and scientific achievement. It is not to be regarded as a mere dare-devil stunt.

Very practical ends have been accomplished. One of them immediately obvious, is that it will help solve the problem of keeping Germany in order.

At the time of the armistice, plans were being matured for sending a large number of planes to Europe by air route. The planes took up a great deal of space in vessels, which was all needed for other equipment. Whether any big delivery could have been made by air route was an open question. If successful, this means of transporting them would have been an immense aid to the American army.

The experiments in delivering planes by air to Europe ought to be worked out, so that in case of emergency a great mass of them could be delivered across the water within a short time. Conditions are going to remain unsettled in Europe for a considerable time. Germany will be much more likely to keep quiet and behave herself, if she could be made to realize that in case of revolt a thousand American planes could be on the Rhine within a few days.

It seems likely enough that air navigation will be so perfected within a few years that regular flights will take place across the ocean. This will be of great benefit to science, to business, to people in personal relation. Urgently needed materials will come over in a day or two. It is conceivable that business men and statesmen may come to depend upon this speedy means of travel, for prompt settlement of great commercial and national issues. So this achievement is not to be looked at as a mere display of adventure spirit, but as a service to the country that they profoundly affect national and daily life.

THE EFFICIENCY OF ADVERTISING.

Advertising also works for efficiency because it draws in trade from the surrounding country and near by towns, thus enabling the business of a place to be conducted on a bigger scale. A non-advertising town gets very little outlying country business. People prefer to go a greater distance to places that show more enterprise.

When new business is drawn in from the surrounding country, and the trade volume is thereby increased, the stores can buy in bigger lots at lower prices. The expense charge for each article sold is reduced.

Thus advertising tends to create a community of active, enterprising, wide awake stores, that do business enough and turn their capital fast enough so that their service is performed on an economical basis.

This point of view is sustained by the fact that in any bright and go-ahead town, there is always a large group of merchants who are liberal advertisers and who get the best trade of the community and near by country.

EASY GOING TREATMENT

There is constant complaint of acts of mischief and destruction perpetrated by boys, yet the same are rarely followed up. Many people feel that the present method of dealing with young offenders is too easy going.

Modern criminal law pratice has been greatly modified by the probation idea. For a great many first offonces, a man may be let off without a sentence for the time being anyway, with a warning as to his future conduct. In many states the probation system is established, by which an offender is visited regularly by a court officer to see if he is behaving himself.

Now on the whole this method is reclaiming many men who have shown a tendency toward drunkenness or other misdemeanors. But the general spirit of lenient treatment of first offences is not always handled with judgment.

A police officer in a neighboring city complained the other day that it worked out about like this: "We have a lot of rough kids here", he said, "who commit many depredations. If they do some act of destruction, and you bring them into court, nothing is done to them. The judge will talk to them like a father, but that does no good. The kid looks very humble, and promises to do better and all that".

"Then when he gets out he brags how they didn't dare to do a thing to him, and how you can commit all kinds of kid pranks and get away with it. His experience incites the whole crowd to keep on the way they are going, and they get worse and worse".

It would seem a very useful thing. when one commits some serious mischief, to impose a small fine on him, even if it was his first offense. It wouldn't hurt him a bit to make him pay a few dollars. Whether he or his parents paid it, it would cause some serious thinking.

Woman is supposed to be looking for the dawn of a new era, but among the younger element it seems to be mostly looking up the street to see if any male callers are coming this evening.

DR. FAHRNEY

HAGERSTOWN, MD.

DIAGNOSTICIAN

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Chorus of Americans after hearing that President Wilson is likely to stay "over there" a month or two longer: "Where s my wandering boy to-night."

The fact that the Summer Girl has an elaborate supply of outing clothes, does not prove that she can venture within reach of the snakes and the ants.

After reading those attractive articles about the "Town Beautiful", many people are inspired to declare that they are going to let George set out a lot of trees and shrubbery along the streets.

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Westminster, Md.

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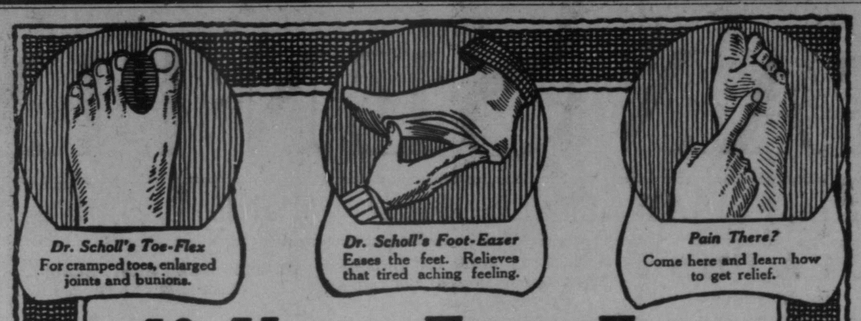

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There is a

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