

OPEN THE DOOR



CAN EASILY REDUCE HIGH LIVING COSTS

Prices Will Come Down When Everyone Puts Shoulder to Wheel and Increases Volume of Production.

"Past history has proved quite conclusively that you can no more legislate the cost of living up and down than you can stop the tide by building a sea wall," says Roger W. Babson, a national expert in finance. "The basic economic law of supply and demand always has and always will determine prices," he declares, "in spite of artificial restraints which may seem to interfere temporarily."

"When demand exceeds supply, prices are bound to rise. With three hungry men with one loaf of bread, but one thing can happen. When supply exceeds demand the reverse is true. Three loaves of bread to one man bring prices tumbling down."

"The real cause for the present high level prices is apparent when you realize that the United States is exporting at present twice the foodstuffs that it exported a year ago, and three to four times the amount exported in normal years. We are feeding Europe, what's more we must continue to feed Europe until it gets back on its own feet again."

"Their crop of 1919 will help some, but we must wait until the harvest of 1920 before they are wholly independent of this country. If the general public can be educated to an appreciation of the situation as it is, and can be made to see that the well-being of every one of us depends upon every man producing as he has never produced before, supply can be increased to meet and exceed this unprecedented demand and we shall weather the storm with everybody ahead."

"Under the circumstances, it is more of a religious question than an economic one. Maximum production on the part of every individual must be made a moral issue. . . . Decreased demand means depression, and employment and hard times for everybody. Increased production will meet the situation and solve the problem."

"But that can only be accomplished by every man putting his shoulder to the wheel, and producing as he never produced before. . . . When the majority of the people were made to feel that slavery was wrong, it was abolished. When the majority of the people were made to feel that drinking was wrong and were ashamed to be seen going into a saloon, we got prohibition."

"In the same way, when the people begin to look down on the man who is not a producer, or who curtails his production, we shall strike at the tap root of the cost of living problem. We must go on a 'producing campaign.'"

The only road to independence—thriftiness and economy. The power a man puts into measures the power of the man in everything he undertakes.

There are 1,440 minutes in every day. If you use five of them to buy War Savings Stamps, you still have 1,435 left for other things.

A quarter saved a day means \$91.25 in a year or more than \$100 if put in War Savings Stamps.

Rain won't make crops grow unless seed is in the ground. Interest can't make War Savings Stamps grow unless your money is in them. Put your money in W. S. S.

STAMPS FOLLOWING FLAG AROUND WORLD

Thrift Campaign Goes On Wherever Old Glory Waves—Cheering News Comes From Faraway Constantinople.

Along with the men of the Navy, the War Savings Stamp is following the flag round the world. In the Mediterranean squadron, the government savings securities are as much a part of the battleships and cruisers that are aiding in straightening out the tangled affairs of Asia Minor as the ammunition hoists.

For American thrift has not stopped at home. The savings campaign organized by the Savings Division of the Treasury Department is being carried out by both officers and men through War Savings Societies, Thrift Stamps, War Savings Stamps and Treasury Savings Certificates.

A letter just received by the Savings Division from Captain David F. Boyd, commanding U. S. S. Olympia at Constantinople brings the information that the thrift campaign on that vessel has been placed in charge of Lieutenant H. K. Koebig. Captain Boyd gave assurance of the co-operation of himself and his men in the work.

PAID FOR FUNERAL

War Savings Stamps are as inevitable as death and taxes, and they benefit the dead as well as the living.

Recently John Kirkiras died in Dayton, Ohio. He left no relatives and two who sought to give him a proper burial were confronted with difficulty in financing the funeral. Kirkiras had died leaving no ready cash, and the solicitous friends were afraid that public charity would have to be charged with the burial expenses.

They discovered, however, that before he died the man had invested in about \$100 of War Savings Stamps. A trip to the Dayton postoffice and the observance of the necessary formalities enabled them to pay the undertaker's bill.

THE SOBERING BUNDLE

When you have a bunch of boodle in the bank just up the pike, you'll stand for Yankee Doodle, law and order and the like. Then no creed of devastation, such as Russian outlaws shirk, will reach your confirmation—you'll denounce it like a streak. When a man is broke and busted, with no package laid away, he is evermore disgusted with the laws we all obey. He would see our courts all leveled, and the judges on the rack, and the plutocrats bedeviled till they gave up all their stack. He would see all things upended, justice be would render mute; then his chances would be splendid to accumulate some loot. I have seen some agitators stirring up the people's souls, and they all wore cast-off garters and their pants were full of holes. And they said their chains were clanking as they damned the plutocrat; if they'd only do some banking they would soon get over that. I have heard the spellers thrifless putting up their weary song; I have heard the weak and shiftless saying everything is wrong. But the man who saves his money thinks the Russian creed absurd, and he thinks it beastly funny that so many yawns are heard.

COUNTY AGENT NEWS

A. H. Ward, Darlington County. With Mr. D. R. Hopkins' assistance, orders for more than three carloads of wire fencing have been taken in this county.

Mr. W. C. Rogers at Society Hill has a twelve-acre field of alfalfa which is now ready to cut the fifth time this season. The total yield per acre will amount to more than three tons. A part of the field has been in alfalfa for seven years and still gives as good yield as ever. Mr. A. H. Rogers of this same section has twelve acres of alfalfa which is doing well. Another farmer is planting two acres this fall. This demonstrates that alfalfa can be successfully grown in this section of the state.

A. B. Carwell, Edgefield County. During the past week I conducted five meetings among the farmers who were interested in more and better fencing. "Fence out the boll weevil" was adopted for a county slogan. At these meetings no one came except those who mean business. Among the things we talked were cooperative buying, getting the very best fences, creosoting posts, marketing conditions, and establishing line fences between farms as a neighborhood project. In the Red Hill section the farmers are talking of drawing up contracts to this effect and having these recorded with the clerk of court.

T. M. Mills, Newberry County. I have many demonstrations in Newberry County showing 50 to 100 per cent. increase in yield of crops following bur and crimson clover. Mr. E. L. Sease has a field that has had bur clover growing on it for 3 years that will average something like 1, 1-2 bales of cotton per acre this year. Three years ago it did not produce more than 3-4 bale per acre. This increase is wholly due to bur clover.

W. F. Howell, Lancaster County. As a result of the fencing campaign, during the three days devoted to it I received orders for 21,678 lbs. of wire fencing representing a cost to the farmers of \$1,017.90. This wire is to be bought co-operatively and in car lots. Educationally this campaign will have at least two important results upon the farm practice

of the farmers: It will teach them a lesson in cooperative buying, and it will get them to thinking about diversifying their crops to meet boll weevil conditions.

S. C. Stribling, Cherokee County. The Chamber of Commerce has made arrangements to secure daily the New York Cotton Market reports. We are keeping this for the use of the farmers.

NEAR 3 BILLIONS BUSHELS OF CORN

Yet Supply on Farms is Far Below That of a Year Ago—Food Below in Sight.

Washington, Nov. 8.—Crop production estimates issued today by the department of agriculture in its November crop reports include:

- Corn 2,910,250,000 bushels.
- Buckwheat 20,120,000.
- Potatoes 352,025,000.
- Sweet potatoes 102,946,000.
- Tobacco 1,316,553,000 pounds.
- Flax seed 9,450,000 bushels.
- Pears 13,628,000 bushels.
- Apples (total) 144,429,000 bushels.
- Kafirs (six states) 123,343,000 bushels.
- Cranberries (three states) 546,000 bushels.
- Onions (14 states) 10,784,000 bushels.
- Cabbage (nine states) 388,000.
- Sorghum syrup 33,668,000 gallons.
- Clover seed 967,000 bushels.
- Peanuts 44,966,000 bushels.

The quality of corn was announced as 89.1 per cent compared with 85.6 last year.

Weight per measured bushel this year is as follows:

- Wheat 56.3 pounds; oats 31.1 and barley 45.2.

Stocks of old corn on farms November 1 are estimated at 72,263,000 bushels compared with 114,678,000 bushels a year ago.

Constipation.

Most laxatives and cathartics afford only temporary relief and should be used only for that purpose. When you want permanent relief take Chamberlain's Tablets and be careful to observe the directions with each package. These tablets not only move the bowels, but improve the appetite and strengthen the digestion.

AROUND THE WORLD WITH THE AMERICAN RED CROSS. Home Service.



One of the finest constructive activities of the American Red Cross in the war was Home Service in the United States, the friendly connecting link between the soldier far from home and his loved ones. This branch of the work which under the peace program of the Red Cross will be expanded to benefit all who need the assistance it can provide, is directed by scientifically trained social workers. Since instituted Home Service has assisted 800,000 soldiers' and sailors' families. This photograph shows one of the innumerable Home Service information bureaus where service men and their families could bring their problems for solution.

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