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P. A. Speckmann,  
Business Manager.  
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 11th day of April, 1918.  
Bernice Orme,  
My commission expires Mar. 14, 1922.

## CYCLING FAD BEING REVIVED

Many Persons Who Had Forgotten All About Bicycles Have Taken to Riding Them Again.

There has come a fad for bicycling again. Not a very full-grown fad, to be sure, but still a good many persons who had forgotten all about bicycles or else hardly knew of them have taken to riding them.

And it is rather interesting to note a comment that was made some 20 years ago, when we took up bicycling so very seriously. It was this: That bicycling has done as much harm to the habit of good reading as it had done good to the health of bicyclers. Nowadays there are so many other things to blame for our loss of the habit of good reading. The moving pictures, of course, come in for their share of blame. And then all our outdoor sports must also take the time that we might otherwise feel disposed to devote to reading. Perhaps if we could go back to the mid-Victorian habits of women, before outdoor sports were the fashion, we should do much more substantial reading. Perhaps not. Perhaps we have learned to do more things than we used to do and perhaps we are better read today than we used to be.

It would take a good deal of careful work to find out.—Exchange.

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Farmers Trading Co.

# ALLIES DEMAND MORE CEREALS

American Meat Restrictions Relaxed to Effect Greater Wheat Savings.

## ARGENTINE ARRIVALS SHORT.

Meat Supply Here Considerably Enlarged — Food Administration, However, Warns Against Waste.

The allies have made further and increased demands for breadstuffs, these enlarged demands being caused in some degree by shortage in arrivals from the Argentine. It is, therefore, necessary for the U. S. Food Administration to urge a still further reduction in the consumption of bread and breadstuffs generally if we are to meet our short necessities. The Food Administration has issued a statement explaining the situation in detail, particularly the reasons which lead it, for the purpose of centering effort for the time being upon the cereal situation, to relax temporarily the restrictions on meat consumption.

Experience shows this statement is correct, that the consumption of breadstuffs is intimately associated with the consumption of meat. For various reasons our supplies of meat for the next two or three months are considerably enlarged, and we can supply the allies with all of the meat products which transportation facilities render possible and at the same time some what increase our own consumption. In these circumstances the Food Administration considers it wise to relax the voluntary restrictions on meat consumption to some extent with a view to further decreasing bread consumption.

Conservation of food must be adjusted to meet necessities from time to time, for neither production, nor allied demands are constant factors nor can any of these factors be anticipated for long periods in advance in the disturbed conditions in which we at present live. While the world situation is not one that warrants any relaxation in the efforts to eliminate waste or to relax economy in food, the Administration desires to secure better adjustment in food balances.

So long as the present conditions continue the only special restrictions we ask are the beefless and porkless Tuesday.

The meatless meat and the porkless Saturday are no longer asked.

The farmers of the United States are responding to the national call to increase hog production. Their increase, to all appearances is being attained more rapidly. Of more immediate importance, however, are several complex factors which have effected an immediate increase in meat supplies.

The transportation shortage before the government took over the railroads, the bad weather in January and early in February, the large percentage of immature corn in the harvest, the corn as rapidly as possible to get it off the backs of the animals, the loss of hogs on the farms for a number of months, and the necessity of feeding a great increase in their average weight, and will result, with improved transportation conditions, which are expected to appear, in larger than normal arrivals to the market for the next two or three months. The weight of hogs, which indicates an increase in weight, from an average of 275 pounds last year to the almost unprecedented average of 292 pounds, or a net increase in their meat value of over 10 per cent. This is a distinct addition to the nation's meat supply. It therefore now seems certain that we have such enlarged supplies for at least some months to come, that we can not only increase our exports to the allies to the full extent of their transportation facilities, but at the same time can properly increase our domestic consumption.

The response of the public to our requests for reduced consumption of meat during the past few months has been most gratifying and this service alone has enabled the government during this period to provide such supplies as transportation to the allies permitted.

The Administration also suggests that in those parts of the country where the old fashioned home preservation of pork is still the custom, this practice should be extended at the present time, as it will relieve the burden upon transportation to and from the packing houses and is economically sound as saving the cost of packing operations and at the same time will provide home supplies of pork to last over the months of decreased supplies.

The Food Administration desires to repeat that it does not want to give the impression that these are times when simplicity and moderation of living are not critically necessary, but that its sole desire is to secure an adjustment between our different food supplies and meet changing conditions from time to time and to keep the public fully and frankly advised of its position with the full confidence and reliance that whenever it becomes necessary renewed appeals for saving will be the same loyal response as in the past.

# Great Wheat Stocks Isolated.

It's the shortage in ships that is putting the Allies and the United States on wheat rations. Great stocks of wheat are isolated in India, and Australia. At great sacrifice in ship space and use the Allies are forced to secure some wheat from Argentina.

On January 1, Australia had stored 100,000,000 bushels of wheat that was ready for export—but there were no ships. Then came the new crop with an exportable surplus of 80,000,000 bushels. Now Australia has approximately 180,000,000 bushels waiting for ships.

India, at the same time, had 70,000,000 bushels of wheat stored for export. During April 50,000,000 bushels more out of the new crop will be added to the pile.

Argentina closed the last shipping season with 11,000,000 bushels of wheat left in the stock available for export. The new crop will add 135,000,000 to the left over.

It is not a problem that the wheat does not exist in the world—it is entirely a problem of shipping, which has thrown on America the obligation of dividing our stock with the Allies.

## ALLIED FOOD SHIPMENTS REACH LARGE TOTAL

A general idea of the quantity of food sent to European allies by the United States from July 1, 1914, to January 1, 1918, is given by figures just announced by the U. S. Food Administration. In that period the United States has furnished complete yearly rations for 37,100,933 people. In addition there was enough extra protein to supply this portion of the diet for 23,194,570 additional men.

The total export of wheat and wheat flour to the three principal allies is equivalent to about 384,000,000 bushels. Pork exports for the 3 1/2 years amounted to almost 2,000,000,000 pounds. Exports of fresh beef totaled 443,484,400 pounds. The amount of food exported to Russia is negligible compared with that sent to the western allies.

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\* ONLY AMERICA CAN HELP \*  
\* "On your side are boundless \*  
\* supplies of men, food, and mate- \*  
\* rial; on this side a boundless de- \*  
\* mand for their help. \*  
\* "Our men are war-weary and \*  
\* their nerves have been strained \*  
\* by more than three years of \*  
\* hard, relentless toil. \*  
\* "Our position is critical, par- \*  
\* ticularly until the next harvest, \*  
\* but the United States can save \*  
\* us. \*  
\* "You Americans have the men, \*  
\* the skill, and the material to \*  
\* save the allied cause." \*  
\* SIR JOSEPH MACLAY \*  
\* British Shipping Controller \*  
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Notice for Publication  
Department of the Interior  
U. S. Land Office at Santa Fe, N. M.  
March 27, 1918

Notice is hereby given that Juana Maldonado, of Mountainair, N. M., who on Oct. 19, 1914, made Homestead Entry, No. 21980, for w 1/2 sec 1, se 1/2 sec 2, ne 1/2 sec 3, e 1/2 sec 4, Section 9, w 1/2 nw 1/4, nw 1/4 sec 10, Township 3 N, Range 6 E, N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make three-year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before P. A. Speckmann, U. S. Commissioner, at Mountainair, N. M., on the 14th day of May, 1918.

Claimant names as witnesses:  
Julian Chavez y Chavez, Eduardo Chavez, Florian Chavez, and Nolasco Sisneros, all of Mountainair, N. M.  
FRANCISCO DELGADO,  
4-4-5-2 Register.

Notice for Publication  
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March 27, 1918

Notice is hereby given that Dan H. Swope, of Mountainair, N. M., who, on Nov. 6, 1914, made Homestead Entry No. 622102, for w 1/2 sec 1, e 1/2 sec 2, Section 11, ne 1/4, Section 14, Township 4 N, Range 6 E, N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make three-year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before P. A. Speckmann, U. S. Commissioner, at Mountainair, N. M., on the 14th day of May, 1918.

Claimant names as witnesses:  
C. E. Isenhart, C. C. Sadler, T. N. Tolton and San Isenhart, all of Mountainair, N. M.  
FRANCISCO DELGADO,  
4-4-5-2 Register.

# 3 LINES TIMES DIMES

A few lines in this column will reach more people than you can see in a month. If you have anything to sell, trade or give away, tell your neighbors about it through this column. If you want to buy, you may find that one of your neighbors wants to sell that very thing. The cost is small compared to results.

Wanted—Job about town or work on farm. Willing to do any ordinary labor. D. P. Childers, Mountainair.

For Sale—Cornish Organ and piano tools. See R. E. Cleveland, at Scholl, N. M.

FOR SALE—Good 3 year old mare, will trade for cow or calf. Miss Lula B. Kenton, 3 miles north and 3 east of Mountainair. 4-4-3tp.

FOR SALE—Bunch young male, 100 cap land. J. O. Coffey. 4-7-3p.

FOR SALE—Brand new wagon, See P. Chappell, at Second Hand Store.

FOR SALE—Jersey milk cows, complete fresh. M. A. Bullington, 4 1/2 miles northwest of Mountainair. 4-4-3tp.

FOR SALE—One good jack burro. cap. See Thomas Ludlow. 4-4-3p.

FOR SALE—Eggs for setting. Fisher, rain White Wyandotts, \$1.50 per setting. Hamourgs, \$1.00 per setting. Mrs. Ludlow. 4-4-3p.

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WANTED—Second hand Furniture—bring in anything you have. We will call for it. Chappell & Fuchs, Old Stevenson Building.

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Grown in San Francisco Mountain without irrigation. Mountainair Produce Company.

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When in need of implements, wagons or harness go to Clem Snatter the old Fealable.

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Baptist Church Services  
Sunday School at 10 a. m. B. Y. F. U. at 7 p. m. Preaching the 1st and 3rd Sundays at 11 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. Prayer Meeting every Wednesday evening at 7:00. Ladies Missionary Aid Society meets twice a month (Wednesday) 2:30 p. m. Sunbeam Band at 8:00 on Sundays at 8 p. m.  
Church Conference Saturday 7:30 p. m. before the 1st Sunday in each month.  
W. B. Phipps, Pastor.

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