

## CONSERVATION WEEK TO BE HELD DECEMBER 1st

**FED. ADMINISTRATION TO ISSUE "HOME CARDS" TO ALL FAMILIES, CHURCHES AND SCHOOLS TO COOPERATE**

A million and a half "Home Cards," by the United States Food Administration, will go into the homes of America the week of December 1 to 7, so that they will be hung upon the kitchen walls as reminders of the need for saving food.

These cards are specific statements of the new food conservation program for the coming year, and there are charts by which the American household will be guided until the need for food saving is over.

When the new program was mapped out at conference of Federal food Administrators held in Washington immediately after Mr. Hoover's return from Europe, it was decided by common consent to devote the first week of October to the Liberty Loan and the week beginning October 23, to the food conservation drive.

Sunday, December 1st will be "Conservation Sunday" in churches of all denominations, and the message from Mr. Hoover will be read by all pastors.

At the request of Mr. Hoover, special conservation services will be observed in the various churches.

The essence of the new food conservation program is given on the "Home Cards." The new program is less specific, but no less definite than half of the last 12 months. The Food Administration has formerly been meeting one emergency after another.

This year it will be a long steady pull directed to the whole food situation, and not so much to particular commodities.

One year ago the pledge of food conservation was taken by 12,000,000 families, and a "Home Card" was given to each for its guidance. This year no pledge is taken, - the government knows that every loyal American is committed to do all that is necessary to win the war, and fulfill the nation's purpose. The American war conscience is aroused.

When the inter-allied food council was held last summer, the needs of the allies were computed, and the resources from which they could be met were reckoned. When the returns from the harvest were ascertained, and the shipping possibilities developed, the schedule showed that America must send during the coming year to our armed forces and to the allies, but again as many food supplies as last year. In place of 11,750,000 tons, the shipments this year will be 17,500,000 tons.

We are pledged to send 50 per cent more food, and from substantially the same sources.

This section is open to men under eighteen years of age, also to men in deferred classifications. It is necessary that the applicant have at least one year's driving experience.

A course of training lasting four weeks is given, consisting of mechanical training and military discipline. The training is intensive. Military discipline is held up always. Actual work in constructing and reassembling automobiles is given. Demonstrations of all possible accidents and breakdowns are shown with the quick method of repairing.

A driving course, which has as rough as the roughest spots in No Man's Land, adjoins the barracks, and the driver is required to cover this course under all conditions, at certain speeds and with certain loads.

Forty dollars a month and maintenance, including equipment, is paid after sailing; while in training, half pay and maintenance.

Recruiting Headquarters of the Automotive and Mechanical Sections, 523 Peoples Gas Building, Chicago, Ill.

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LOCATED AT 37 N. MAIN ST.

## LIBRARY NOTES

The

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3 p.m.,

Saturday.

Following

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Home Fires in France, Canfield, Joan and Peter, Wells. The Star in the Window, Prouty. The Crack in the Bell, MacFarlane. The Time Spirit, Snaith. Maggie of Virbinsburg, Martin. The Lure of the North, Bindloss. An American Family, Webster. The Valley of the Giants, Kyne. Our Admiral Betty, Farnol.

The

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5th.

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Kindergarten

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Columbus discovered America October 12, 1492. A later discovery of America was by the Germans July 18, 1918. It cannot be supposed that the Germans will celebrate their discovery by declaring a national holiday.

LOOK! At the label on your paper this week, if you are 3 months in arrears we will have to take your name off the list. Government Ruling.

stocks as last year, so there must be increased conservation to accomplish the result. The inter-allied council was told that whatever the armistice program of the allies required, we would endeavor to meet it. This is an obligation measured in terms of human life, that rests on every American.

The new "Home Cards" are constant reminders in 20 million homes that every piece of food unwisely bought, carelessly cooked, or carelessly eaten, is that much taken from the allied table.

"Be proud to be a saver," is the message the "Home Card" bears. No one is asked to stop eating any particular food, but to use less of all food.

The backs of the cards are devoted to comprehensive statements of why we must continue to save food saving is over.

The people of the State generally, two years ago, approved and applauded the work of the General Assembly. Much of the most important work will be lost unless the people, at the polls next Tuesday, shall vote the "Little Ballot." That ballot is little, only in size and name; it is great in importance, and relates itself closely to the future progress and development of Illinois. It contains three propositions, each of which, if ratified, means a long step forward.

It means a new constitution by which the burdens of taxation can be more equally distributed. It means a simpler and more efficient and more economical government of the State County and Municipal. It means writing the progress which Illinois has made in every other line during a half century into the fundamental law of the State.

This is the first time in the life of the present generation that the people have had a right to vote for a Constitutional Convention. Under our present Constitution it is so difficult to be almost impossible to secure the necessary two-thirds vote in each House of the General Assembly admitting this question to the people. After years of effort the last General Assembly acted favorably. If the people now fail to take advantage of the opportunity they have, it will likely be a generation before they will have another chance.

The Bond is up for good roads, if approved by the people, means a compensative system of bond collection reaching every County in the State. It means that the principle and credit of the bonds not paid will be paid out of the receipts of the automobile license, but that neither will the bonds be issued nor the work commenced until after the close of the war. It means getting ready for the great reconstruction which will follow peace. It means useful employment for our returning soldiers who otherwise would be unemployed. The

bill enacted into a law by our last General Assembly, providing for this bond issue, has received the admiration and commendation of students of good roads everywhere. But this law will be lost to the people of Illinois if the generation, if they do not approve it at the polls next Tuesday.

The existence of irresponsible unregulated private banks in Illinois for years has been a reproach to our State. Thousands upon thousands, usually our poorer people, have lost the savings of a life time through the failure of these banks. At our last General Assembly, two years ago, despite the powerful lobby of the private banks, enacted a law to remove this reproach. But, under our Constitution that law will be lost unless the people vote for it next Tuesday.

The Little Ballot this year becomes a great ballot. It contains but three squares to mark. But if the voters mark each of these three squares YES they will have done the best work they have done in years.

## W. C. T. U. NOTES

The local W. C. T. U. will hold their November meeting at the home of Mrs. Geo. B. Hartt, 54 E. Maple Ave.

The State Convention that was to be held in Aurora last week was postponed on account of the Flu.

A barrel of canned fruit and jelly will be sent to Francis Willard hospital in November. Everyone is asked to help fill the barrel. Other notices will be given later.

Next Sunday will be Temperance Sunday in the Sunday Schools. Will all teachers make a special effort to give plain temperance facts to their classes. It is World's Temperance Sunday November 3d. Title: Appetite and Greed. Lesson Text: Genesis 2:27-3: Golden Text: Every man that striveth in the Games Exerciseth Self Control in All Things. 1 Cor. 9:27 Temperance Topic: Modern Errors and How They See Their Birth-Rights.

General Pending says, "Banish the entire liquor industry from the U. S. close every saloon, every brewery suppress drinking by severe punishment to the drinker, and if necessary death to the seller, or maker, or holder as trustees, and the nation will suddenly find itself armed at its efficiency and started at the increase of its labor supply. I shall not go into prohibition, for I know what is the greatest foe to my men, greater even than the bullets of the enemy."

Underground cable has increased in cost 136.9 per cent; aerial cable 139.2 per cent; cable conduit 176.5 per cent; pipes 229.5 per cent; copper wire for power lines 171 per cent. A further schedule of all material used in the construction of the Telephone system would show corresponding increases.

The time has now arrived when the Telephone Company must seek relief through an application to the Public Utilities Commission of Illinois for an increase in rates for local telephone service in order to pay war time wages to the employees in the Telephone industry; purchase necessary equipment to maintain a high grade of service.

Telephone service is vitally necessary to the Government and to the nation particularly at this time. Material must be purchased at these abnormally high prices to care for the needs of our Government, as well as the normal industrial development, and further Telephone employees should receive adequate wages adjusted as nearly as possible to those prevailing in other industries.

It is under these unusual financial conditions that the Chicago Telephone Company is making application for an increase in its rates for local service. The Telephone Company has held out as long as possible before asking this relief, but has now reached a condition where the interests of the service, employees and the stockholders make it imperative that the revenue be increased.

This application does not cover a permanent increase in rates but will provide temporary relief, which may be discontinued in whole or in part, according to the circumstances, when the conditions which are responsible for the present stress are modified or entirely cease in the judgment of the Public Utilities Commission of the State of Illinois.

## DUPAGE COUNTY PRODUCES \$2,000,000 WORTH OF GRAIN

The records of grain produced in DuPage County this year, from 115 out of 123 threshing rings in the county which have reported to date, give a total of 272,770 bushels of wheat, 15,552 bushels of rye, 443,775 bushels of barley, and 1,474,252 bushels of oats, which is over two million dollars worth of grain at market prices obtained now in the county.

The farmers of DuPage County are to be congratulated upon this splendid showing, especially in regard to the total wheat and rye produced.

## MOTHERS CLUB TO HOLD POSTPONED MEETING

The Mothers Club will hold its meeting next Tuesday, November 5th at 2:30 in the Kindergarten.

This will be the program postponed from October 15th and Miss Morse will be in charge as previously announced.

The regular meeting for November will be held on the third Tuesday in November as per schedule. A full attendance is desired at both meetings.

**Amethysts.** The best amethysts are brought from Cambay, in India, and from Siberia, Ceylon and Persia. The chief supply of the blue turquoise is drawn from the peninsula of Sinai, the great mining district of the ancient Egyptians.