

WASHINGTONIANS AS PRODUCERS OF FOOD

Striking Example of What May Be Accomplished.

Three Hundred Families in District Supplied Tables With Fresh Vegetables During Summer and Stored Some for Winter.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

One of the most striking examples of what may be accomplished in food production is that of the Potomac Park home gardens, located in the District of Columbia almost within the shadow of the Washington monument. During the year just closed there were 300 gardens, supervised by the United States department of agriculture, each 40 feet by 100 feet in size, and occupying in all approximately 36 acres. According to reports recently received from the gardeners, and based on actual records, these gardens gave an average return of \$84 a garden, or over \$25,000 for the 300 gardens. This means that no less than 300 families living in the District of Columbia not only have supplied their tables with fresh vegetables throughout the summer, but stored a considerable supply of food for winter use. In addition,



Some of Potatoes Grown by Washingtonians on Public Park Lands in National Capital.

approximately 1,200 people enjoyed outdoor exercise and healthful recreation.

This is but one instance where the city home garden has resulted both in the production of large quantities of food and in providing the people with outdoor life exercise. The need for home gardens will be just as great in 1920 as during the past season. Now is the time to perfect organizations and secure land on which to plant gardens next year.

STOCK NEEDS GOOD HOUSING

There Are Two Extremes Farmers Should Avoid—Crowded Sheds Are Injurious.

"Farmers should use a great deal of care in housing their animals at this time of the year," says Dr. K. W. Stonder of the agricultural extension department of Iowa state college.

"There are two extremes in housing that many farmers practice. One extreme is crowded and tight sheds or barns which have poor ventilation and are too warm at night. When the animals are turned out in the morning there is great danger that they will take pneumonia.

"The other extreme is poorly built buildings, and those built with open foundations high above the ground. The cold winds blow into and through such barns at night and cause pneumonia. Many farmers mistake pneumonia for influenza or cholera."

GIVE SHEEP GOOD ATTENTION

Pens Should Be Level and Dry, as Moist or Fermenting Manure Will Cause Trouble.

Keep the sheep pens level and dry—moist or fermenting manure is sure to cause snuffles and footrot. After the pens are cleaned, dust with plaster and spread down a thin coat of dry clean straw. Just enough straw should be spread to keep the sheep dry and comfortable. Have a wide door hung on rollers—opening out into the yard. A narrow door is dangerous—and may cause the injury of one or more ewes or lambs.

Absolute regularity in feeding is to be aimed at, and the flock must be so divided that the stronger will not get more than their share of feed. It is as bad for them as for the underlings. The latter have at least a good appetite, the former often surfeited and fall off in condition accordingly.

SILOS INCREASING RAPIDLY

Becoming Necessary on Every Farm in Pennsylvania—Lessens Cost of Production.

Statistical information recently collected by the bureau of statistics, Pennsylvania department of agriculture, shows that approximately 20 per cent, or 43,657 farmers in that state are now using silos. The number one year ago was estimated at 32,000.

The silo is rapidly becoming a necessity on practically every farm, for silage greatly lessens the cost of production of a pound of butter or a pound of beef.

SIGNED STATEMENT ASSURES FARMER SUPPORT

Over 100 Residents of Village Pledge Support of Farmer Candidates.

Our friends of the country who are in favor of a Community High School, but who have felt indisposed to support the proposition for fear of a repetition of Hinsdale, will be glad to know of the practically unanimous approval of those in our village who are favorable to the movement that the wishes of the country shall be observed, as is evident from the algerity with which the signatures (about 100 to date) of all classes of our people are being secured to the following STATEMENT OF INTENTION.

Believing that the Board of Education of the proposed Community High School District, comprising as it will a large country territory, should have farmers represented on it, we, the undersigned citizens of Downers Grove Village, in order to give assurance to the country in this particular, and in consideration of a similar statement from them in support of the proposition, do hereby declare it to be our intention to support by our influence and vote any two representative farmers that may be desired for membership on said Board; and we further declare it our belief that the new Board of Education so elected should (1) include in the curriculum an Agricultural Course for the special benefit of the country boys and girls, as well as others wishing it—and (2) arrange for Transportation of the pupils from farthest away and in due time for all needing same.

We also desire to go on record as expressing our belief that the foregoing is not only a measure of justice due the farmers of the proposed new District, but we feel that it will promote a cooperation on their part for the new High School when once established, which is essential for the success we all want it to be.

It is, therefore, up to the friends of the movement in the country to help secure the support of their fellow-farmers, who after hearing Professor Snapp, our new Superintendent of Schools, in his talk this next week, regarding the meaning of a genuine agricultural course, will understand why it is that such schools when established invariably have the hearty support of the farmers. The corresponding statement from the country, which already has the approval of several prominent farmers, follows:

Appreciating the facts (1) that the County Superintendent of Schools is empowered to grant a transfer of any pupils from one high school to another, upon request of the parents, with free tuition, and (2) that the County Judge, County Clerk and the County Superintendent of Schools constitute, under the law, a Board of Equity to adjust any possible injustice in the formation, territorially, of a Community High School District—which thus removes from discussion the question of Boundaries; and in reciprocation of the support of a body of representative citizens of the Village of Downers Grove for the fair safe-guards demanded by us, namely: (1) That the farmers shall

have two members on the new Board of Education; and that these should be (2) included in the curriculum an Agricultural Course for the special benefit of the country boys and girls, as well as others wishing it—also (3) arrangements made for Transportation of the pupils from farthest away, and in due time for all needing same; therefore, we, the undersigned citizens of the country outlying, do hereby pledge our influence and our vote in favor of the proposition, and we shall be glad to give the new institution our hearty cooperation for its greater success.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS
TWO REEL SUNSHINE COMEDY—
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Tuesday, August 10th
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