Farm Committees To Mobilize Labor

Proposals For Helping Farmers In Vital Task of Production

Finally, something practical is proposed to be done to help the farmers of Ontario in their vital task of producing in war times. The labor shortage is to be tackled in a business, rather than a holiday, fashion. Mechanical equipment is to be pooled.

This prospect emerges from an announcement by Hon J. M. Dewan, Minister of Agriculture, that an agricultural war committee is to be organized in each county of the province. Agricultural representatives have been at work on the formation of these committees.

These county committees will mobilize the available labor; they will work out a scheme by which mechanical equipment, plentiful in some sections and comparatively scarce in others, is put fully to work. This phase of the farm problem is heightened by the probability that it will be difficult to buy new equipment. Full use of existing machines is contemplated.

Labor Problem

Work on the labor problem is particularly important. Announcement of the organization of the provincial county committees, which will deal with this problem, among others, is virtually coincident with federal plans to introduce domestic service under the National Mobilization and Resources Act. County committees, working through the provincial government, will be able to relate their needs to the general program of selective service. In any event, just as they propose to keep mechanical equipment moving out to points where it will be of the most good, they can also plan to see that farm labor is properly allocated and fully employed.

In this connection, W. R. Reek, Deputy Minister of Agriculture, said: "The mobilization of any labor which may be available and not now upon the farms, should not be overlooked."

Signs are not lacking that the farmers, who have been insisting that their position as important factors in a vitally necessary war industry should have greater consideration, are about to be recognized.

Women In Britain Eagerly Buy Fruit

What amounted to a "gold rush" by housewives in Great Britain took place when the Food Ministry released the last of its imported canned fruit stocks. It was unofficially estimated that 120,000,000 tins were placed on sale.

Stocks were allowed to accumulate to enable a fairer distribution once the release order was decided upon, the government explained. For some time there has been no distribution of canned fruit by wholesalers and retailers held on to what supplies they had and the public went without. All goods involved in the day's scramble were sold on the "points" system, as distinct from the regular ration card.

The apricots, pineapples, peaches and plums came from overseas. The blackberries, Damson plums and gooseberries were home grown. Also on the counters were tinned peas and tomatoes. Officials said the rush was to be expected, but that it was unnecessary as the volume was great enough to guarantee that patient shoppers would get a fair deal.

There will be no more of these foods once this stock runs out—and the knowledge of that fact unquestionably inspired the nation's mothers and wives to make the best of their last chance to buy them in the least possible time.

Britain must henceforth be contented to live on the comparatively slender supplies of home-grown fruit.

"We are importing no more from the empire and overseas until the war is over," the Food Ministry announced laconically.

Some women sailed into the flooded market with the full purchasing power of twenty points a head. Certain kinds of fruit took sixteen points, others eight. Large tins of tomatoes called nine points and smaller ones six points.

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One of the great all-time reader favorites in newspapers the country over, is Bob Ripley's 'Believe it or Not' sketches and stories. For a number of years, Bob's network show was a popular highlight; and it's good news that it's back on the air again, and heard in Southern Ontario at ten o'clock Saturday nights from CBY in Toronto, CKTB in St. Catharines, and CKOC in Hamilton. With D'Artega's smooth music and other program ingredients nicely jelled into the half hour, Bob Ripley's "Believe it or Not" show is stand-out listening!

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Canada at War-work will be brilliantly dramatized in a new program to take the CBC National air-lanes this Friday night at ten o'clock. Show will take the form of actuality broadcasts from various active centres across Canada, and will bring to the Canadian home a dramatic cross-section of Canada at Work! Presented in co-operation with the Department of Munitions and Supply, the program will be heard by the full CBC National Network and other affiliated stations! The time again: Friday night at ten o'clock. During the series some thirteen different places will be visited and the work being done there vividly dramatized!

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There are many phases of the Sport World that are more than adequately covered over the air—from actual broadcasts of sport features, to commentaries on the sport world of the day. Something a bit unusual is the "Canadian Sports College of the Air," with Coach and Director Lloyd Percival at the helm. In the form of a radio show, members are called together each Saturday night at 5.30 from CKOC in Hamilton, and the are given a fine round-up of sport news — tips on various sports, and helpful, interesting contests to keep their interest keen.

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Record of the week — Woody Herman's gorgeous arrangement of 'Tis Autumn!

Said Donald Duck on CKOC a few weeks ago: Let's poach those three rotten eggs in their own hot water! COME ON CANADA—BUY VICTORY BONDS!

PRESIDENTIAL MANSION

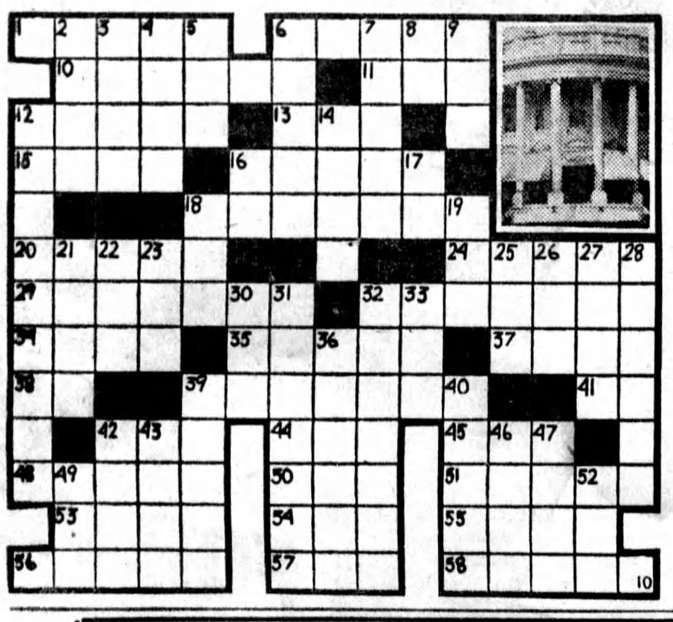
HORIZONTAL

1, 6 U. S. A. presidential mansion.
10 Golden bird.
11 The tip
12 Begrimes.
13 Commanded.
15 Part of church.
16 To flit.
18 Withdrawal.
20 Thick.
24 To abolish.
29 Pertaining to the hip.
32 Company of desert travelers.
34 Indian.
35 Loses heat.
37 Wool fiber knots.
38 Bone.
39 To sprinkle.
41 Tone B.
42 Courtesy title.
44 Often.
45 One plus one.
48 Exultant.
50 Insect's egg.
51 The architect who designed it.
53 Periods of time.
54 One in card.
55 Cupid.
56 It was first occupied by President ——.
57 Ever (contr.).
58 Smoky.

Answer to Previous Puzzle

VERTICAL

2 Ring.
3 Part of eye,
4 Glazed clay block.
5 Aurora.
6 Slave.
7 Beneath.
8 Southeast (abbr.).
9 To recede.
12 Its exterior is ——, painted white.
14 Corrupt.
16 Pronoun.
17 Sun deity.
18 To soak flax.
19 Gibbon.
21 Small shields.
22 Frost bite.
23 Capuchin monkey.
25 Curse.
26 Hail!
27 Bugle signal.
28 Flag.
30 Frozen water.
31 Crowns.
32 To disorder
33 Onager.
36 It is also the presidential executive ——.
39 Newspapers.
40 Anesthetic.
42 Ancient tale.
43 Detail.
46 Had on.
47 Instrument.
49 Boy.
52 To query.



SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

LESSON XI.
THE MIGHTY WORKS OF JESUS.
Matthew 8: 23-34; Mark 4:35-41; Luke 8:26-56.
PRINTED TEXT
Matthew 8:23-34

GOLDEN TEXT.—**What manner of man is this, that even the winds and the sea obey him?** Matthew 8:27.

THE LESSON IN ITS SETTING.

Time.—All the events of this chapter occurred in the autumn of A.D. 28.

Place.—The storm occurred, of course, on the Sea of Galilee, and, undoubtedly, on the eastern shore; the miracle of casting out demons occurred at Gadara, on the same eastern shore; the miracles of healing, and of raising Jairus's daughter from the dead, occurred in the city of Capernaum, at the north end of the same lake.

Stilling of the Storm

23. "And when he was entered into a boat, his disciples followed him. 24. And behold, there arose a great tempest in the sea, insomuch that the boat was covered with waves: but he was asleep." Christ's sleep was the sleep of physical exhaustion after hard day's work. It is a sign of his true manhood, of His toil up to the very edge of His strength; a characteristic of His life of service, which we do not make as prominent in our hearts as we should. It is also a sign of His calm conscience and pure heart.

Appeals to Jesus

25. "And they came to him, and awoke him, saying, Save, Lord; we perish." It should be remembered that these disciples, caught in the storm, were fishermen. They had known storms for years, and normally nothing would really terrify them on the sea. That they were so frightened that they felt that they were going to die indicates the terrific severity of the storm which was now upon them. They came to Him for help, not to one another. We may seem to be equals, but when great crises arise the chief person is sought out at once. Not only did the disciples come to the right man but they came with the right request saying, 'not to help us,' but 'save us'; take the whole case in Thine hand; we fall back and are nothing.

Peace, Be Still

26. "And he saith unto them, why are ye fearful, O ye of little faith?" The phrase 'Why are ye fearful?' might more accurately be translated 'Why are ye cowardly?' Little faith is not want of faith, it is faith burdened by human weakness. If they had had faith, they would have said to themselves that God would not allow the Saviour, and the salvation of the world, and the community which has gathered around this Saviour, to perish miserably. "Then he arose, and rebuked the winds and the sea; and there was a great calm." As easily as Christ commanded the storm and it stood fast at the first, shall He say to the troubled tempest of this world's ills and sorrows, 'Peace! be still.'

Marvel of All Ages

27. "And the men marvelled, saying, what manner of man is this, that even the winds and the sea obey him?" Christ is still the marvel of all ages. So to-day we marvel at what Christ was able to do when He was on earth, as much as those men, who were actual witnesses of His miracles. We are all voyagers on the sea of life, and we shall not get across without storms. Yet if He be with you, it matters little how the waters rage. Only have faith in Him, and you shall see how the danger will flee before you.

Two Possessed of Demons

28. "And when he was come to the other side into the country of the Gadarenes, there met him two possessed of demons, coming forth out of the tombs, exceeding fierce, so that no man could pass by that way." The fact that there were two would aggravate the tragic condition of these men. When two men of noble character have communion with each other, each is strengthened; and when two men possessed by evil spirits live closely to each other, they can only bring horror to their already pitiable existences. These two were left alone, men knowing they could not help them.

29. "And, behold, they cried out, saying, what have we to do with thee, thou son of God? art Thou come hither to torment us before the time?" The evil spirits were persuaded that a worse torment than they had ever endured awaited them at some future period, and they were fearful that the Son of God might be about to inflict such torment by anticipation.

Fear of Supernatural

30. "Now there was afar off from them a herd of many swine feeding. 31. And the demons besought him, saying, If thou cast us out, send us into the herd of swine. 32. And he said unto them, Go. And they came out, and went into the swine: and behold, the whole herd rushed down the steep into the sea, and perished in the waters. 33. And they that fed them fled, and went away into the city, and told everything, and what was befallen to them that were possessed with demons. 34. And behold, all the city came out to meet Jesus: and when they saw him, they besought him that he would depart from their borders." It was the people of the country, not the owners of the herds in particular, who requested Him to depart from their borders; and although it is likely that the loss of property had something to do with their request, yet it was dread of so powerful a Wonder-worker that chiefly moved them. Fear in the presence of the supernatural is common in man; and dislike of the presence of great holiness is natural in those who know that their own lives are out of harmony with heaven.

Draw Net Tighter On Enemy Aliens

Enemy aliens must withdraw from the coastal area of British Columbia west of the Cascade Mountains by April 1 and must surrender all cameras and radios in their possession, Col. C. H. Hill, provincial Commissioner of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, announced.

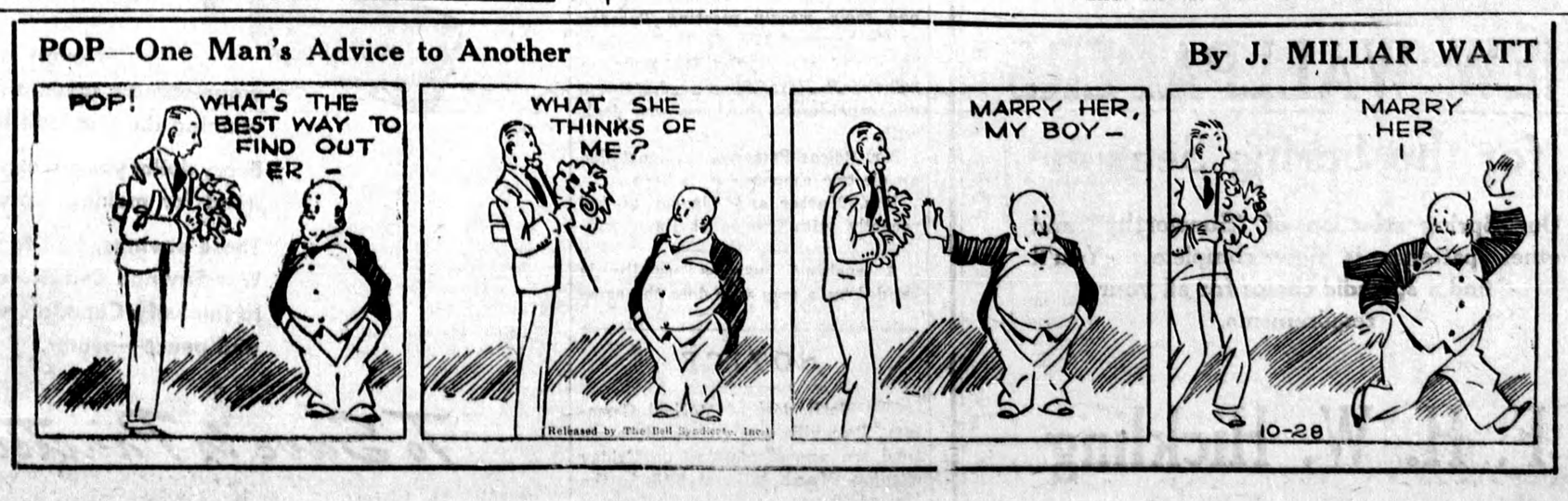
The order will affect some 2,500 Japanese and an unestimated number of German and Italian nationals between the ages of 18 and 45, it was said.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Ferguson

IN AREAS where bears hibernate, most of them are denned up by late December. When they begin their fast period, they are covered with a thick layer of fat just under the skin, and they are still fairly fat when they emerge in the spring. But food is scarce at that time, and they lose weight rapidly.

NEXT: How do storks fasten their nests to sloping roofs?

POP—One Man's Advice to Another

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