In The Garden

By GORDON L. SMITH

From practically any way you look at it, gardening should prove an excellent investment this year. It is patriotic to grow more vegetables now, to put idle land to use, and it is good, sound commonsense, too. Vegetables have been getting more and more expensive in recent weeks and the authorities hold out no hope of bargains this Summer either.

Weather was only partly to blame for the scarcity last Fall. The main reason was the increased demand. In the last year, Canada has added sometihng like a million workers to its army of war employed, and still more workers are going to be added in the months ahead. All these people are going to need extra food, and fresh vegetables will play a big part in filling their requirements.

And gardening offers another advantage. It is one of the best health tonics the doctor could order. A few hours out among growing flowers and vegetables will work wonders in restoring sanity and balance during these trying times of war.

No Shortages

The war has interfered with a lot of things in Canada, and while gardening is no exception, this interference will be hardly noticed by the average person who orders flowers and vegetable seeds this Spring. Before the war, a considerable amount of the garden seed used in Canada was imported from Denmark, Holland and Hungary. This is completely cut off, of course, as well as practically all shipments from Great Britain. To meet the usual demand, however, supplies have been developed in Canada and also a wider range has been imported from the United States. Seedsmen report no serious shortages. There is likely to be a little change in price but they suggest ordering early, especially where a wide range of varieties and types are wanted.

Vegetables are the biggest yielding crop one can grow. Not only can most lines be grown close together but with some things like lettuce and carrots, for instance, a second crop can be harvested in a single season.

Small vegetables like lettuce, spinach, carrots and radish require rows only from 15 to 18 inches apart. Beets, beans and peas need from 18 to 20 inches between, while potatoes, corn and staked tomatoes must have a couple of feet to thirty inches. Space may be saved with these if something quick maturing such as lettuce and spinach are planted in between. The bigger things will not need the full room at first and by the time they do, the early crops will be out of the way. Where one is using a horse, garden tractor or a wheel hoe, of course greater space between the rows will be needed.

No Crude Rubber For U. S. Auto Tires

Leon Henderson told the Senate defence investigating committee that "not a single pound of crude rubber" would be available for new tires or retreads on the upwards of 30,000,000 passenger cars now owned by the ordinary citizen in the United States.

The director of civilian supplies, who is a War Production Board member, testified that this was the "most significant single statistic" among a maze of details on the rubber situation which he would offer the investigating group.

Henderson said that present calculations of supplies for the United Nations "did not allow a single pound of rubber either for new tires or camel-backs for any of the 30,000,000-odd passenger cars in this country."

A senator interrupted to ask an explanation of "camel-back."

"That's the trade name for strips used for re-caps or retreads on worn automobile tires," Henderson said.

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RADIO REPORTER

DIALING WITH DAVE:

Fred Allen

NEW SUNDAY COMIC

Fancy meeting you here! Fred Allen, after nearly ten years in radio, finds himself back where he started, making Sunday "Funday" for his millions of network fans, coast to coast. Fred has his entire crew, tenor Kenny Baker, Portland Hoffa, Al Goodman's orchestra and the Mighty Allen Art Players in the Sunday night at 9.00 p.m. spot now, and there they are going to stay. But the good news is that the Fred Allen show came to Canada with the change, and is now heard on a large network of stations, including CKOC in Hamilton and CFRB in Toronto. The time again—9.00 p.m. Sundays.

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Another bit of headline radio listening news is the fact that another great national radio personality has returned to the air with a brand new show, which is also being heard in Canada. Jimmie Fiddler, Hollywood's ace news reporter, returned to the air-lanes March 2nd, and is heard in Canada through a number of stations, including CKOC Hamilton, CKCL Toronto, CKTB St. Catharines, CFPL London, CFCO Chatham and CKCR in Kitchener. Fiddler's chats about the stars—his 'bell' ratings of the newest films, and his gossip of the cinema colony makes mighty fine, rapid-fire listening. Fiddler is broadcast on Monday nights at seven o'clock.

When you hear your local station announce a program as being 'transcribed', it usually signifies that the musical or other material in the program has been specially recorded for radio broadcasting. When announced as 'recorded', invariably the program constitutes a blend of familiar records by favorite entertainers. Amongst the many great shows specially transcribed for radio broadcasting is the new "FLYING FOR FREEDOM" series, dedicated to the work and service of the R.C.A.F. CKOC in Hamilton broadcasts the show Wednesday nights at 8.00 o'clock—CFRB in Toronto Thursday at 9.30, and other stations, through the facilities that transcriptions afford, are able to present the program at times most suitable to their broadcast schedule. Irrespective of where you listen to the show, you will find it pulsating, dramatic entertainment—an exciting saga of the Air Forces of the Empire.

JUST NOTES: Bing Crosby has passed his 10th Anniversary in KMH . . . Percy Faith, Canadian-born conductor of "Contented Hour", was one of the winners of WGN's Great American Operetta contest . . . Edward G. Robinson, star of "Big Town", has one of the finest collections of modern art in the country.

RECORD OF THE WEEK:—"Deep In The Heart Of Texas" by Alvino Ray!

OUR RADIO LOG

TORONTO STATIONS		
CFRB	860k, CBL	740k
CKCL	580k, CBY	1010k
U.S. NETWORKS		
WEAF	N.B.C. Red	660k
WJZ	N.B.C. Blue	770k
WABC	(C.B.S.)	880k
WOR	(M.B.S.)	710k
CANADIAN STATIONS		
CFOS	Owen Sd.	1400k
CKOC	Hamilton	1150k
CHML	Hamilton	900k
CKTB	St. Cath.	1230k
CFCF	Montreal	600k
CFCH	North Bay	1230k
CFCO	Chatham	630k
CFPL	London	1570k
CJCS	Stratford	1240k
CFRC	Kingston	1490k
CJIC	Sault Ste. M.	1490k
CKAC	Montreal	730k
CJKL	Kirkand L.	560k
CKCR	Waterloo	1490k
CKCO	Ottawa	1310k
CKGB	Timmins	1470k
CKSO	Sudbury	790k
CKPC	Brantford	1380k
CKLW	Windsor	800k
CKNX	Wingham	1230k
U.S. STATIONS		
WEBR	Buffalo	1340k
WHAM	Rochester	1180k
WLW	Cincinnati	700k
WGY	Schenectady	810k
KDKA	Pittsburgh	1020k
WBBM	Chicago	780k
WBEN	Buffalo	930k
WGR	Buffalo	550k
WKBW	Buffalo	1520k
WJR	Detroit	760k
SHORT WAVE		
GSB	England	9.51m
GSC	England	9.58m
GSD	England	11.75m
GSE	England	11.86m
GSF	England	15.14m
GSG	England	17.79m
GSP	England	15.31m
GSV	England	17.81m
EAR	Spain	9.48m
EAQ	Spain	9.86m
RAN	Russia	960m
RNE	Russia	12.00m
RV96	Russia	15.18m
WGEA	Schenectady	15.33m
WCAB	Phila.	15.27m
WRUL	Boston	15.15m
WCBX	N. York	11.83m

British To Have Bath On Wheels

One of the most unusual gifts received by the Red Cross and St. John War Organization has come from the British War Relief Society of America. This is a mobile bath, designed and equipped for use at rest centres in towns where, after air attack, gas, electricity, and water services may be out of action. The travelling bath operates without any outside aid. It carries its own water boilers, stove and coal bin, and is able to heat 30 gallons of water at a time. The vehicle is also fitted with laundry apparatus and medical necessities. Twelve baths for children, and ten zinc baths for adults, together with kettles and water cans, soap and towels, are provided by this new and practical mobile unit.

Canadian Bren Gun Best In The World

Lt.-Gen. A. G. L. McNaughton praised the Bren gun after he had inspected one of the largest plants manufacturing Brens in Canada—the John Inglis Ltd. plant in Toronto.

"I insisted that the Bren be sent overseas to let us conduct the user trials personally when the first were turned out here," he said. "The men testing them were told to pull no punches, and they didn't. After we used the guns, we stripped them down and inspected the parts. They were still in excellent condition despite the hard knocks they had taken.

"The Bren guns turned out in Canada are the best Bren guns in the world. There has been no falling off in quality under mass production, either."

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

LESSON XII.
JESUS THE MESSIAH FORETELLS HIS DEATH
Matthew 16:13-28; Mark 8:27-37; Luke 9:18-25

PRINTED TEXT, Mark 8:27-37

GOLDEN TEXT.—For whosoever would save his life shall lose it; and whosoever shall lose his life for my sake and the gospel's shall save it. Mark 8:35.

THE LESSON IN ITS SETTING

Time.—Autumn, A.D. 29.

Place.—Not far from Caesarea Philippi, far north in Palestine, under the great towering Mt. Hermon, a few miles east of the city of Damascus.

Peter's Confession of Christ

27. "And Jesus went forth, and his disciples, into the villages of Caesarea Philippi": It is at this time that Christ turns almost entirely from speaking to the multitudes, the public, as it were, and devotes his attention to those who now believed in him. And on the way he asked his disciples, saying unto them, who do men say that I am?" The question is significant. Jesus is not only conscious that he is a problem to men; He assumes that He ought to be. To His mind there can be nothing so important as that men should have received a true impression of Him and should think of Him as He thinks of Himself.

Collection of Testimonies

28. "And they told him, saying, John the Baptist; and others Elijah; but others, one of the prophets." This collection of testimonies is both to be commended and criticised. On the one hand it is a confession that our Lord had taken his place among the great Prophets of Israel. On the other hand, these confessions failed to recognize Christ as more than a man. He was only a man among men, even though a Prophet among Prophets. This was as far as many people in Palestine had come in their convictions concerning Christ, and it is as far as millions of other people since have ever allowed themselves to go.

The Christ of God

29. "And he asked them, But who say ye that I am? Peter answereth and saith unto him, Thou art the Christ." Notice that our Lord does not even argue about the incorrectness and the inadequacy of the verdicts of the people which have just been reported to him. He does not try to show wherein they are wrong. Luke's record tells us that Peter acknowledged Jesus to be "The Christ of God." No higher title than this could ever be given to our Lord, but one, namely: Son of the Living God. Peter combined them both.

30. "And he charged them that they should tell no man of him." It was only for a short time that they were thus commanded to be silent. Soon they were to receive a command to go everywhere preaching the Gospel. Jesus wanted them to continue nea rto Him fo rfurther instruction.

Jesus Foretells His Death

31. "And He began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things, and be rejected by the elders, and the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again." Jesus is brief in this first formal announcement. He is like one breaking a terrible piece of news to his dearst friends. The shock cannot be avoided but is softened as much as possible. The very thought of seeing their beloved Master a victim of the Sanhedrim at Jerusalem must have overwhelmed the disciples,—and not only because of their love, attachment and high hopes, but also because of their conception of the Messiah, which included the very opposite of suffering and being killed, namely earthly grandeur and triumph.

Peter Rebukes Jesus

32. "And he spake the saying openly, and Peter took Him and began to rebuke Him." To Peter such frankness seemed to be indiscreet; such premonitions of failure were at variance with all his conceptions of Christ. The Master had manifested a momentary weakness; it was his duty as senior of the Twelve to remonstrate. He took the Lord aside a little, perhaps in order to spare the Master the pain of public remonstrance.

Jesus Rebukes Peter

33. "But he turning about, and seeing his disciples, rebuked Peter, and saith: Get thee behind me Satan; for thou mindest not the things of God, but the things of men." It was necessary that he should throw back the temptation with indignation and even vehemence, with the rebuke of heaven set against the presumptuous rebuke of flesh. Here as in all other places in the Gospel Christ is shown to be right and other men, when they differ with him, altogether wrong.

34. "And He called unto Him the multitude with his disciples, and said unto them: If any man would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross, and follow me." At the very time when Peter would keep the Lord from going to the cross to die, Christ believes that Peter ought to be instructed on the denial which he himself must endure. It is not Christ's cross that we have to take up. His sufferings stand alone, incapable of repitition and needing none; but each has his own.

The True Life

35. "For whosoever would save his life shall lose it; and whosoever shall lose his life for my sake and the gospel's shall save it." There is no such thing as ultimate loss in the kingdom of God. All personal interests become merged in those of the gospel. It is as a man loses himself in great and high things that he finds himself, and as he sacrifices his life in their behalf that he saves it. Only in such things is there any true life.

36. "For what doth it profit a man to gain the whole world, and forfeit his life? 37. For what should a man give in exchange for his life?" By the whole world our Lord means actually "all the world's wealth, power, pleasure, beauty and glory." What is a man benefited if, though he have all these things, he forfeit his life?

First in Line

SEASONAL BIRD

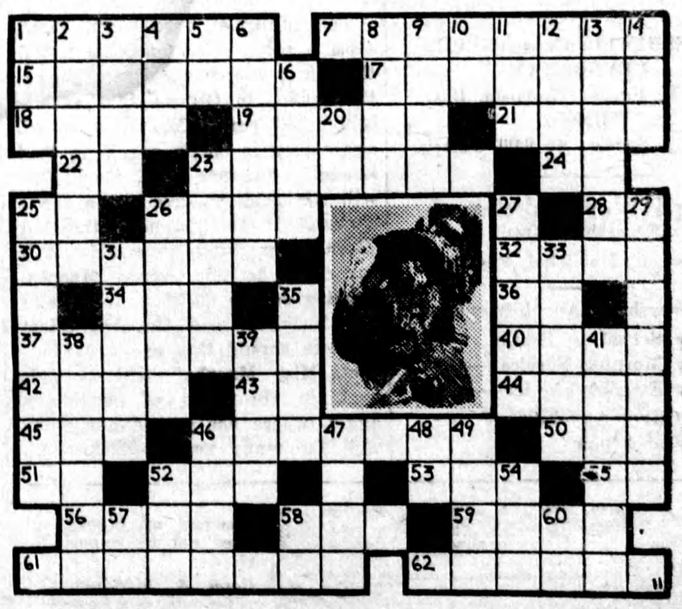
HORIZONTAL

1 Large American food bird.
7 It belongs to the —— family.
15 Not eaten.
17 One who underwrites.
18 Petty quarrel.
19 Classical language.
21 Toilet box.
22 Street (abbr.).
23 Stimulated.
24 Senior (abbr.)
25 Month (abbr.)
26 12 inches (pl.)
28 April (abbr.).
30 To make dear.
32 Last testament
34 Tree.
36 Idant.
37 Inflicts.
40 Quantity of paper.
42 Raccoon.
43 Myself.
44 Molten rock.
45 Work of skill.
46 Letter.
50 Limb.
51 North America (abbr.).
52 Flying mammal.
53 To sum up.
55 Musical note.
56 Dregs.
58 Unit.
59 Immerses one's self.
61 Its male struts with its —— spread.
62 It formerly —— wild over North America.

Answer to Previous Puzzle

VERTICAL

1 Be still!
2 Concord.
3 Bursted.
4 Emerald mountain.
5 And.
6 Call used in hunting turkeys.
8 Head covering
9 Domestic slave.
10 Like.
11 To bring legal suit.
12 Branches of learning.
13 Pertaining to a nerve.
14 Three.
16 Sea mile.
20 Transposed (abbr.).
23 Sutures.
25 Tame turkeys are derived from —— varieties.
26 Malefactor.
27 To whirl.
29 It has handsome ——.
31 Station.
33 Perfect pattern.
35 Consumes.
38 Spirit of an army.
39 To eject.
41 Unwilling.
46 To crush.
47 Without.
48 Go on.
49 Norse tales.
52 Wager.
54 Clamor.
57 Each (abbr.).
58 Either.
60 Portugal (abbr.).



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