### HINTS FOR THE GARDEN

Edited by David H. Stevenson, Director National Home Gardeners' Association

Editor's Note: This column is to be conducted continuously during the gardening season as an aid to amateur gardeners. The "hints" and careful instructions to be found in these articles are based upon expert investigation of the particular needs of the home gardener. If you have a garden you will want to be a constant reader of the "Hints for the Garden" column. Refer it to your neighbor gardener.

### THE HOME GARDEN

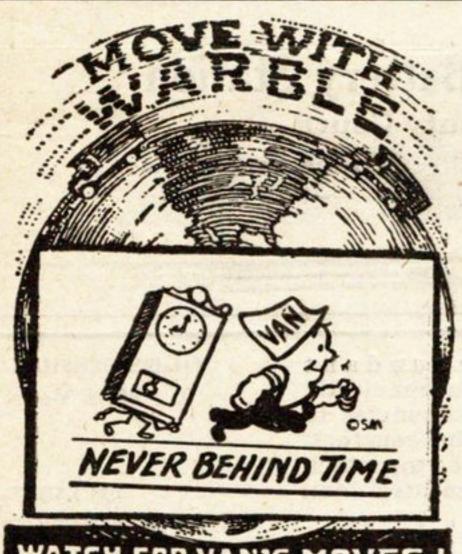
Family) does not concern a few, it concerns lost his entire crop of potatoes bethe large majority of the people of cause he did not understand how or the United States. During the year when to spray them for the blight. 1918 there was more than a half a bil- The association will help all gardenlion dollars worth of food produced in ers to avoid such unnecessary losses. home gardens in this country. In and Our aim is to keep people well inaround Chicago alone there are more formed and abreast of the times on than a quarter of a million home the subject of gardening. gardeners. These people are home food producers and are anxious to get | many of the foremost leaders in gardmoney, time, labor and space.

The need for producing more food, particularly the fresh fruits and vegetables, which can be grown in all home gardens is greater now than ever before. Many good farms in the State of Illinois and all over the country are being abandoned. This decreases food production, but the demand for food steadily increases as our population increases, not to mention the increased demands for food HAYNES made upon us by Europe.

Most people have taken up gardening as a recreation after working hours, and have not the time to make a study of it. What they need and want is concise, practical and up to date information that will make their work in the garden bring forth the greatest return.

led to the formation of the National Home Gardeners' association.

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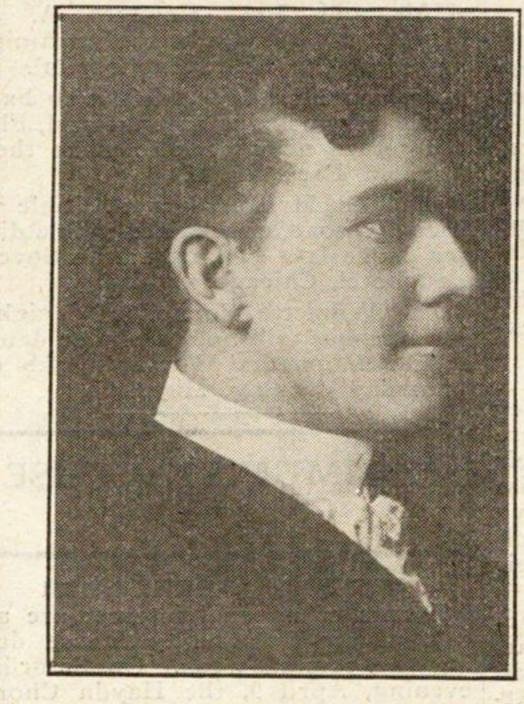
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