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ALLIED FOOD CONTROLLERS' APPEAL.

The following resolution, summarizing the present food situation and the responsibility of the people of Canada and the United States, was passed by the Food Controllers of Great Britain, France and Italy, and the Food Administrator of the United States, at a recent conference in London, England, when a thorough survey was made of the present food situation and of prospects for the future:—

"Resolved, that while the increased production of the United States and Canada renders it possible to relax some of the restrictions, which have borne with peculiar hardship upon all our peoples, yet it is absolutely necessary that rigid economy and elimination of waste in the consumption and handling of all foodstuffs, as well as increased production, should be maintained throughout the European allied countries and in North America. It is only by such economy and elimination of waste that the transportation of the necessary men and supplies, from North America to the European front, can be accomplished, and that stocks of foodstuffs can be built up in North America as an insurance against the ever-present danger of harvest failure, and the possible necessity for large and emergency drafts to Europe. We cannot administer the food problem on the basis of one year's war. We must prepare for its long continuance if we are to ensure absolute victory."

OUR ALLIES' FOOD POSITION AND OUR OWN STILL DEMANDS:—

That production and conservation efforts be NOT relaxed;

That the regulations of the Canada Food Board still be strictly observed (any or all of these will be withdrawn as soon as conditions warrant, as has been done in the case of pork);

That the utmost effort be made to save all the crops (a special obligation rests upon city men to see that no part of this year's harvest be lost through lack of labour on the farms);

That preparations be made at once for increased production of food next year;

That waste or extravagant use of food in any form be avoided;

That, as far as possible, perishable foods not suited for export be substituted for those food commodities required oversea;

That hoarding of food be not practiced or tolerated;

That the greatest possible use be made of the produce of war gardens and of vegetables of all kinds;

That every assistance be given by the public in the enforcement of the food regulations;

That no more sugar than is absolutely necessary be used in canning and preserving and that substitutes such as glucose or corn syrup be used whenever possible;

That domestic consumption of sugar be reduced to the greatest possible extent;

That no sugar be used for any unnecessary purpose;

That the public patronize only those dealers in foodstuffs who are complying fully with the Food Board's regulations.

The Food Service most urgent at the present moment is sugar saving and the Food Board appeals to every loyal Canadian to do everything possible to reduce his or her personal consumption of sugar and to encourage similar conservation by others. This is absolutely necessary in order that our available supply of sugar be stretched until the new crop becomes available and that it be equitably distributed, with due consideration to the most important uses.