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1918 AND THE FOOD SITUATION.

What will the historian say about the year on which the world soon will enter? We may be sure the food situation will bulk voluminously in his chronicles, and it may receive more prominence than even the progress of the war. The withdrawal of 30,000,000 men from the productive pursuits of peace; the destruction of diplomatic courier on his way to shipping; the reduction and, in some Petrograd has been refused admiscases, the paralysis of land transpor- sion to Russia on the grounds his IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRItation, have created a world shortage passport had not been signed by M. of basic commodities such as has not Borovsky, Bolsheviki minister at existed since the Middle Ages. To Stockholm. This is to first time that In the Matter of the Estate of Charles meet that emergency there must be a regular courier pass has not been a world readjustment of habits and honored. It is assumed here that customs. This process already has the Bolsheviki hope this way to exgone on among the belligerent coun- ert pressure and compell the intries in Europe where the exigencies direct recognition of the Government and consequences of war are most by the States. thoroughly realized. How far will it be possible to convince the non-European peoples of the gravity of the outlook, of the need of food conthe Cunard line here today confirmservation and economy?

This continent is expected to play decisive part in the defence of civi- of the steamship Vinovia off the Brilization against the famine menace tish Isles. just as it will play a decisive part in the military campaign against the common enemy in arms. It is expected to furnish its less favored Allies. who have borne the chief burden of the war for three years, with their most pressing food needs. For instance, Great Britain, France, Italy and their smaller associates will need at least 450,000,000 bushels of wheat before the next harvest. That is their irreducible minimum. Canada has an exportable surplus of 110,000,000 bunels on the basis of normal conamortion and the United States has one. But by strict economy and ubstitution of other cereals it is toped that this Dominion will be able export much more than 110,000, 000 bushels, while the United States by similar means is expected to create a large surplus for this purpose. If the shipping situation were easier it would be possible to utilize the surplusses of Argentine, Australia and India. but at best only a fraction of this supply will be available. The largest part of the demand must he met by improvising, economy and

self-sacrifice on this continent. Bacon is another urgent requirement abroad. North America must | City..... State,..... raise more hogs and consume less bacon. In this the Governments must become an active factor. They must ree that feed for hogs must be obtained by those raising the animals at reasonable prices, and that substitutes for bacon shall be available to the public on the cheapest possible terms. Canada's fisheries shouldplay an important part in meat substitution, but whether they will do so will depend upon the price of fish on the retail market. It is useless to pass regulations governing the price to be paid to fishermen, to the cold storage and the express companies and leave the price of the retail-

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requirement is su-

gar. In Great Britain the per ca-

pita consumption, which before the war was \$6 1-3 pounds per year has

been reduced to 26 pounds a year or

an ounce per day. In France the su-

gar ration is one and one-tenth

capita consumption of sugar is seven

and seven-tenths pounds per month.

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duce its per capita consumption to

seven ounces per week, and if this is

done the total saving would be 56 .-

000,000 ounces per week. If the Am-

erican reduction were the same the

total saving would be 770.000,000

ounces per week. If the Canadian

and American per capita consump-

tion were cut in two the saving would be 450,000.000 pounds per month,

and even then they would be using

more sugar than their Allies now

Canada and the United States are

at war, but they are better off in re-

gard to food supply and other com-

modities than even the European

neutrals, and the difference would be

more pronounced than it is if they

ly as their overseas Allies, and sub-

trictions. If they had to treble their supplies of food and other necessar-

es for Europe the effort would not

produce, except in a very minor as-

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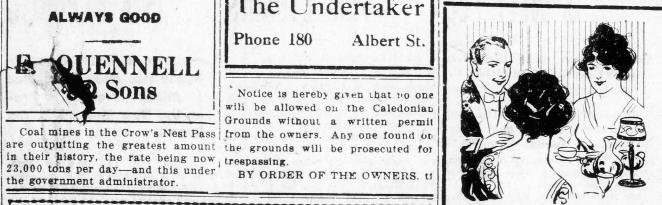
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