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possibilities are behind these symptoms

LINCOLN ON CONSCRIPTION

FRIDAY'S CONFERENCE

land resulting from the submarine menmier Foster and Hon. Mr. Tweeddale, ace, is shown by the statement that results. The King George will appeal to the people have of course to cut down their food ration 25 per decided to increase production this year, cent. Admiral Beresford says the losses since they are assured of a ready market and good prices, but they are condominates everything else, so far as Brifronted with many difficulties. There tain is concerned. But and provided with many difficulties. There tain is concerned. But and provided with many difficulties. fronted with many difficulties. There tain is concerned. Fortunately the Unit-entitled to a pension?"

"My husband aand I fought is a scarcity of fertilizer, of seed, and of labor. Possibly also some are handi-labor. Possibly also some are handi-labor. assistance of a substantial nature, and the shipyards will also help to overcome the danger that so gravely threatens.

It is announced today that an Amtions and the most urgent needs, as all parts of the province will doubtless be well represented. With fairly full inby transporting supplies. There is no ate effect of revealing the exact condi-erican army will be sent to Europe formation at hand the conference can doubt at all that the American people out in a card game it's best fur a man a set itself to the task of devising ways are ready to co-operate to the limit with and means, with government co-opera- the British and French in bringing the

this year and next. For the shortage German influences will be exerted to ative as completely as will not end with this year. The genther people to make a separate "One clubman said to another, point eral situation may be even more acute Russian people to make a separate next year. It would be the part of folly for the people of the cities and towns and villages to trust to luck and trust as separate of the cities and thoritative quarters go there is no hope towns and villages to trust to luck and trustant people to make a separate of the cities and to another, points ing with a shocked look from the club window toward a lady in an ultramodish skirt:

"I thought you said, George, that you'd assume that everything will come out all right. The earth yields only when crops are planted and cultivated, and that everything will come out the experiment of the earth yields only when the earth yields on the earth yie when we calmly think of the number of that even the experts can do no more men withdrawn from productive em- than speculate in a general way and ployment to wage war and provide war await developments. Germany is to be a most damaging effect upon food pro- cost? duction, especially since the number of belligerent countries is increasing and thus lessening the amount of labor and The New York Times recalls the folskill available for the cultivation of the lowing statement in regard to conscrip soil. We in Canada, a food producing tion by Abraham Lincoln in the draft country, from which the actual fighting excitement of the Civil War:is a long way off, have never realized "The principle of draft, which simply fully the need of economy, to say no- is involuntary or enforced service, is not thing of increased production. Money new. It has been practiced in all ages has been plentiful to an unusual degree, of the world. It was well known to the and the thought of possible food-ra- framers of our constitution as one of the tions has never occurred to us as even modes of raising armies, at the time they

ed on to do more than ever before in constitution in 1812. Wherein is the peculiar hardship now? Shall we shrink the export of food products. The conference at Fredericton on Fri- from the necessary means to maintain day, therefore, should bring together our free government which our grandmany thoughtful men from the rural fathers employed to establish it and our and urban communities, to take counsel own fathers have already employed to together as to what New Brunswick may maintain it? Are we degenerate? Has do more than has ever before been done the manhood of our race run out?" to increase production. The time is short, for we are almost at the begin- Bangor Commercial:-"The Massaning of the cropping season, and if a chusetts legislature, in both its branches, province-wide organization is possible has passed under suspension of the rules and desirable it must be effected with- a bill providing that the cultivation of out delay. The minister of agriculture land and the raising, harvesting, preservhas already rendered substantial as- ation and transportation of agricultural sistance in regard to a seed supply. The products shall not be unlawful on Sun-

"Hon. Mr. Tweeddale has taken hold Many states probably will not declare of his department in an energetic man- Sunday farming legal, but it is safe to ner and is determined to make it of presume that all will indulge in this real value to the agricultural interests form of preparedness in the stress that of the province. The staff is now be- has come to us." ing reorganized and efficiency will be the watchword from this time forward. Premier Lloyd-George has gone to An excellent start has been made in the France again. He is a constant illustraappointment of Mr. W. R. Reek of Ot- tion of a premier who is alive and doing tawa, as deputy minister. Mr. Reek things. Canada needs that kind of prehas been in the employ of the Ontario mier, but has only Sir Robert Borden. and Dominion departments of agriculture. For two years he was secretary | Prohibition, as far as it has gone, is to the late Mr. C. C. James, who en- very satisfactory. It will be more and joyed a nation-wide reputation as an more satisfactory as time goes on, asagricultural expert. Mr. Reek entered suming of course that its friends are vigupon his duties last week and is now as- ilart and keep an eye on the "suspects." sisting the minister in the reorganiza-

The minister and his deputy should ceptional importance in this most crit- results. ical year in the country's experience.

THE WAR SITUATION

We are told in one of today's cables that the chief advantage gained by the British and French in the west is that Housewives are urged to save botthey have compelled the Germans to tles, especially wide-necked ones, to be the United States to send an army to Europe, which shows that there is a Specialists of the department are ung-Europe, which shows that there is a Specialists of the department are urg-limit to the sacrifice of men France can ing canning clubs and housewives not have fresh divisions to throw into the

There is more hope at the moment in what may be transpiring in German political circles. It is asserted that the chancellor on Thursday will announce the country or porcelain, can be sealed with cork or paper and paraffin.

"Large tin cannisters or tin cans with removable covers, provided the body of the contribute will be contained in the contribute will be contributed in the contributed i new peace terms, and there is a growing Socialist demand for the democratication of Germany. Labor troubles are illized and their covers hermetically scalnereasing in the great centres. Grave ed in place with solder or wax."

GIRLS IN SCHOOL OR AT BUSINESS

who are delicately constituted, who have thin blood or pale

cheeks, will find in

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LIGHTER VEIN

A Boston woman applied for a pe Percy declares that the shipping issue sion the other day. "Where's Three-Fingered Sam?" asked

tion, and the co-operation also, let us hope, of all the municipal and civic organizations and public bodies such as such as settled, which is not at all surprising.

Commissioner Dillon, appropos of his success in the New York milk strike, said to a reporter:

"The situation in Russia is still unsettled, which is not at all surprising."

"The trust had dictated to the farmers boards of trade and school authorities, to boards of trade and school authorities, to ensure the largest possible production government will control the situation.

The indications still are that the acting so long it thought it could dictate to them forever. But the farmers got together and from then on took the initial control to the situation.

Increased Success

Success is due to THOUGHT, which a remote possibility. We may as well placed in that instrument the provision has played a leading face the fact, however, that even with that 'the congress shall have power to part in combining the utmost effort this year and next will raise and support armies.' It had been strength, comfort be lean years in food-production in the used just before in establishing our in and neatness as you world at large, and Canada will be callfind them in

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day while the United States is at war.

have universal support and co-operation Friday's conference in Fredericton on in their great task, which is of such ex- increased production should bring good

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bring up numerous divisions which had used for preserving, in a bulletin issued been intended for use elsewhere, and by the United States department of aghave shattered these divisions beyond riculture. The department points out repair. Of course whatever reduces the that there threatens to be a serious strength of the enemy is an advantage, shortage of regular jars and preserving if not attended by too great loss for cans this fall. Fruits and jams, when the Allied forces. It is to be noted, sealed with corks or paraffin, can be however, that France has appealed to kept perfectly in bottles. Fruit juices

afford to make; and unless recruits come faster the same is true of Britain. These Germans take a lot of beating and still be canned that can be preserved otherwise. The bulletin said: "Candy containers, or other glass jar

with screw tops or glass stoppers, and

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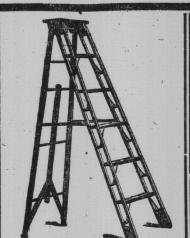
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Food Production and Food Control

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it may be, conditions approaching to state of famine if the opportunity presented by the return of spring slips past beyond hope of recall. This is not a time for alarmists, but The Globe would be wanting in its obvious duty to the country if it did not continue to warn governments and people alike that every available means for food production must be mobilized if Canadians, this year and next, are not to drink to the bitter dregs he cup of national suffering.

At present the world shortage of At present the world shortage wheat, oats, barley, and corn is one huntred and thirty million bushels. This neans that before this year's crops are wailable the people of the world will bunger in vain for these millions of pushels that cannot be obtained at any bushels that cannot be obtained at any price. Some countries, determined to husband their own resources, are placing an embargo on exports, which makes conditions more serious for countries which rely upon imported foodstuffs to avert famine. The Argentine Republic, struction of foodstuffs in the war zone great grain and cattle raising country.

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which rely upon imported foodstuffs to avert famine. The Argentine Republic, a great grain and cattle raising country, has closed its ports against exports of these commodities, owing to the failure plies. There is not enough food to go of last year's wheat crop. In normal times the reserves of food scarcely suffice to tide the world over until the new crops arrive. These are not normal times, Millions of men have been withdrawn from the land; millions of acrest of fertile soil are in the hands of the enemy or rendered useless by the redide of war that sweeps over the desoleted havest fields. Millions of men on the battlefronts are consuming food in greater proportions than they would in civil life. Unavoidaable waste and deficilities.

There is not enough food to go of last year's wheat crop. In normal round. Some nations will face famine and pestilence—the most terrible scourges that can afflict the human rage. Others ociation of Sweden has presented a menorial to the State Economic Commission setting forth difficulties of obtaining sufficient rye and wheat flour and asking the authorities to permit and to order them to use a certain proportion of oat or barley flour in bread. The bakers assert that the situation indicates with certainty that such a measure when the proportions of barley and oats must necessarily be greater than would be the case now.

A body of female factory workers, estimated at 5,000, marched today in an analysing the authorities to permit and to order them to use a certain proportion of oat or barley flour in bread. The bakers assert that the situation indicates with certainty that such a measure is the only means by which want and suffering may be avoided in currently food in the carrying out of this task, should be invested with powers necessary to secure results. The farmer cannot be experienced for generation of Sweden has presented a measure is the only means by which want and suffering may be avoided in order them to use a certain proportion of oat or barley flour in bread. The bak

guarantee as to prices and marketing facilities.

Food production is the task of Agricultural Departments, supplemented by such available organizing machinery as may be found necessary. The boards of trade and the organization of resources committee are doing splendid work in Ontario. Prominent business men and men of affairs are devoting their days and nights to the solution of this problem of increased food production, and are ready to put farmers in touch with labor, skilled and unskilled, with the object of increasing crop acreage. The farmer who avails of this help and adds to the stock of food in the coming year will be rendering a service to his counwill be rendering a service to his country the extent of which is not to be

measured in terms of market values only. But when all that may be accomplished in this direction is carried through, there will be, it is feared, a

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through, there will be, it is feared, a considerable shortage in the acreage under crops as compared with the past two years. For this reason every garden plot that contributes to the general stock of food will help to tide Canada over the meatless days that are surely coming. Every effort made this year will increase the momentum of effort made next year when the real crisis has to be faced.

Under the great dome of St. Fauts Cathedral, with the stars and stripes fluttering all over London, England, yesterday commemorated with a service of praise and prayer the entrance of the United States into the war. The impressive ceremony, attended by the King and Queen, came appropriately after the historic scenes of Wednesday afternoon, when the two houses of parlia-Under the great dome of St. Paul's Cathedral, with the stars and stripes the momentum of effort made next year when the real crisis has to be faced.

Food production is not enough. The food must not be wasted for want of harvesting or because of railway and market restrictions. In this department of production the government must bear the burden of responsibility. Another and not less important phase of the food problem is the protection of the consumer. In Great Britain the voluntary rationing and distribution of food are regulated by a committee for food controller and two advisers form the committee which secures the better and more equitable distribution of food supplies, with special regard to the necessities of the poor. If, as competent authorities state, Canada is face to face with a grave food shortage, then the two houses of Wednesday after noon, when the two houses of parliament paid their tribute in appreciative resolutions. A civil occasion the one, a religious solemnity the other, both were alike in spirit; in both recognition was made of the link newly forged between sea-sundered peoples whose paths may have moved apart, but whose ideals remain eternally the same. Lord Curzon called our president's message "a trumpet call that will ring throughout the ages as one of the historic declarations of mankind," and former Premier Asquith spoke of our declaration of a state of war as "one of the most disinterested acts in history." For Chancellor of the Exchequer Andrew Bonar Law the struggle is to determine "whether or not the free institutions on which the proto face with a grave food shortage, then struggle is to determine "whether or not it is the bounden duty of the provincial the free institutions on which the proand federal governments to co-ordinate gress of civilization and the progress plans for meeting the crisis with all the resources of their disposal. humanity depend can survive against the centralized power of military des-And when Bishop Brent, ad-

To sweeten gooseberries or cranberries dressing his great audience in the Ca with less sugar put a small pinch of thedral, summed up the conflict as an is

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only the singing of "The Star Spangled Banner" and the "Battle Hymn of the Banner" and the "Battle Hymn of the Republic" to stretch voices as well as hands "across the sea." Anew the British seemed to be declaring, in the words of their great poet, that "the deep Mard which Hampden smote will vibrate to the doom." It was the realization by all, in the sense of Lowell's lines, that when a deed is done for freedom, joy is planet-wide:

is planet-wide: For mankind are one in spirit, and an instinct hears along
'Round the earth's electric circle, the swift flash of right or wrong; Whether conscious or unconscious, yet
Humanity's vast frame
Through its ocean-sundered fibres feels
the gush of joy or shame;
In the gain or loss of one race all the
rest have equal claim.*

One of the latest exhibits at the Museum of Enemy Methods of Warfare in Petrograd is a pen given to a Russian OAT BREAD FOR SWEDES

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