

GREAT SAVING IN WHEAT.

Regulation of Trade in Package Cereals Has Splendid Results.

It is now certain that the Food Controller's regulation of the trade in package cereals will result in a very large saving of wheat during the current year. A number of manufacturers who formerly produced all-wheat products have decided to discontinue such manufacture during the period of the war while others have agreed to substitute barley or corn in whole or part for wheat.

In the case of five products alone the saving of wheat will amount to 50,000 bushels and it is conservatively estimated that the total saving in wheat will be not less than 200,000 bushels while it may be very much greater. One Company which has been producing an all-wheat product has agreed to decrease its production by 25 per cent. This will effect a saving of more than 26,000 bushels of wheat this year. In addition, the Food Controller has not issued any licenses for the sale of farinas or similar wheat products in small packages.

When it is remembered that in addition to the conservation of wheat the public are getting more food for the same money in consequence of the Food Controller's regulations upon this trade the very great benefits derived will be appreciated.

It is important that people living in suburban areas should be encouraged to keep pigs next Summer. Every pound of garbage fed to pigs is so much gain. A number of cities and towns are now taking up the question of municipal piggeries where garbage and products which otherwise would be wasted might be consumed.

Special effort should be made to encourage sheep production, as the supply of wool is absolutely essential and sheep will thrive on rough waste land and good results may be obtained with very little grain.

Poultry are efficient producers. The hens kept by the average farmer are largely scavengers recovering food which otherwise would be lost. Every farm should have all the poultry that can be fed by these methods.

The farmer should clearly understand that there is no possibility of over-production of food. The butcher shops and provision shops of Great Britain in many cases have had to close in the middle of the day because of absolute lack of beef, bacon, butter and oleomargarine. There is an abundant market overseas for all the food that Canada can produce, although shipping conditions occasionally may make it necessary for the producers to avoid selling on a temporarily congested market.

"A NASTY THING CALLED FAMINE."

"The food wanted by mankind does not exist. The word 'shortage' is not strong enough for the situation. To put the matter bluntly, the whole world is up against a nasty thing, familiar to the people of India, called 'famine.'"—Lord Rhondra.

FAVORS MUNICIPAL PIGGERY.

Mayor of Vancouver has Endorsed the Hog Production Campaign.

Speaking recently in Vancouver at a meeting of the directors of the Exhibition Association, Mayor Gale of that city endorsed the suggestion that a municipal piggery should be established, thus assisting in the campaign for increased hog production. The Mayor added that he had given considerable thought to the subject and that he had a site in view. Not only was he in favor of a municipal piggery but he also thought that pig production among citizens should be encouraged by granting premiums to boys and girls or adults for the best results obtained in individual hog-raising.

Mayor Gale also stated that initial steps had been taken in a plan to establish a municipal fish market in Vancouver. By these means, he expects, a plentiful supply of fish will be made available to consumers at considerably lower prices than those now prevailing.

PROMPT UNLOADING ORDERED.

Food Controller's Recent Order Has Already Produced Results.

As a result of the recent order requiring that all cases of undue delay in unloading foodstuffs from railroad cars be reported to the Food Controller, reports have been received of 31 cars which have been detained over the time limit. The Food Controller notified the consignees that the cars must be unloaded promptly or the contents would be ordered to be sold.