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to the grain supply, would be to plant parley and buckwheat. I am surprised that so few farmers in this neighborhood that so few farmers in this neighborhood or New England raise barley. It can be grown with little trouble and with ex-cellent results. Buckwheat can be plant-ed in June and July. It is a reliable crop and entails no great difficulty. Corn has always been one of the staple northern crops, and our farmers can doubtless plant more acres of it very successfully. More potatoes will surely be planted this year than ever before, for farmers are assured of good prices for another are assured of good prices for another year at least. That is a crop that re-quires great care, and I would not ad-vise it for the small farmer with only a

few acres. "One excellent feature of the popular cry

and help themselves if not actually help-ing others." Mr. Collingwood said he believed the next important step to be taken by the government in its efforts to speed up crop production would be to assure the farmer of a certain minimum price for some of his products

farmer of a certain minimum price for some of his products. "The farmers of our country are as petriotic as any one else," explained Mr. Collingwood, "but they cannot be asked to cultivate larger acreage and pay out more money for labor if they feel they are not doing the work on a gamble. There must be some reasonable assurance that in return for the increased expendi-ture there will be a satisfactory proft. England has done it in several ways, no-tably by buying the entire Canadian wheat crop at a minimum price. I think abcut 1.78 a bushel. The United States government will undoubtedly take some such action to insure larger production of the staple food supplies. I do not mean that every pound of potatoes or handful of vegetables will have a fixed minimum price, but in respect to wheat and a few other staples some assurance





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