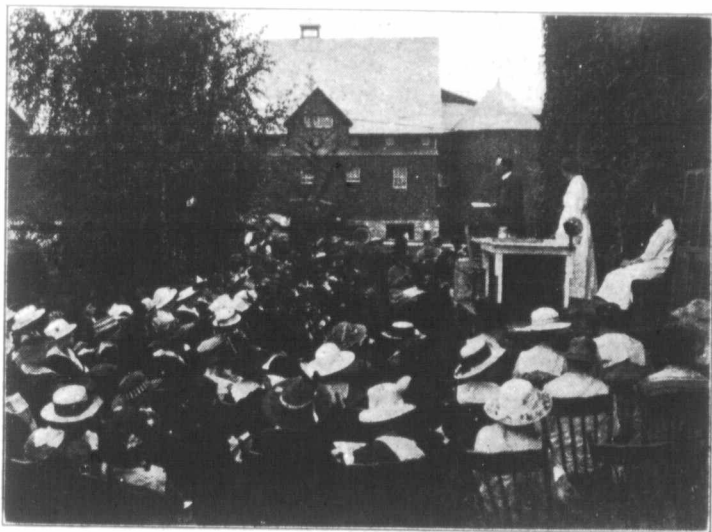


EQUIPMENT FOR COMMUNITY CANNING

It is not easy to be specific with regard to equipment for community canning. From three hundred to six hundred dollars will buy all the tables, slicers, paring machines, seeders and sealers, together with the canning outfit proper to do several thousand quarts per day.

Such an equipment should can enough produce to meet the requirements of about twenty-five families. This would work out at a cost of about twelve to twenty dollars for each family. In some cases, however, as in the case cited above, local ingenuity and patriotism can be relied upon to reduce this cost. The work is new, and should be encouraged, and in the case of a large factory, for example, the employers would no doubt be willing to provide several of the essentials; and this, if the employees could be organized into a club, would materially reduce the initial cost.

If profitable returns are assured, an initial outlay, however heavy, should not be looked upon as a discouraging factor.



DEMONSTRATING CANNING AND DRYING BEFORE AN OUTSIDE AUDIENCE

Community canning can often be done in the open. In hot weather it is better than in a small building. In this case the building holding the supplies was at the rear of the demonstrators. A special "Home Canner" is made for use outside. Many people have used it with success. It burns wood or coal and is inexpensive.