

## Six Hours Sun Needed Daily For Garden's Growth

Few properties are so laid out as to provide an ideal defense garden site for varying reasons, such as shade trees, the proximity of other buildings, the placing of the house on the ground space or something else. It is necessary to take the lay of the land as it is and pick out a garden spot as good as may be under the circumstances. In other words, make the best of the situation.

The fact that the home site does not offer an ideal place for vegetables should not prevent an effort to grow vegetables. In no other way can really fresh and highest quality vegetables be obtained. Any piece of ground, even as small as 5 by 5 feet, will grow a supply of vegetables. The least size for an all around garden to give a reasonable supply is 20 by 20 feet and from this size up, but much can be done with even smaller space.

There is only one absolute necessity in selecting the garden location and that is sunlight for at least a portion of the day; the longer the garden may have sun the better. However, good gardens are often seen in city back yards which get only a few hours of sun daily. If the garden can have from nine in the morning until three in the afternoon, any of the common vegetables can be grown successfully. Many of the standard vegetables can be grown with even less sun than this. This has been proved by actual experimental test. It is not an experiment of dubious result to try to grow vegetables on a partially shaded site.

Ideal soil isn't often found. Take the soil as you find it and proceed to build it up. This is no great task. The one feature to avoid is a low lying position that is always soggy and in which water is bound to stand after rains. This is one feature that bars a site for successful vegetables until drainage has been supplied.

A vegetable garden 50 by 100 feet will furnish an adequate supply of vegetables for a family of six. Smaller families need smaller gardens and when the space is very limited select and specialize on a favorite vegetable.

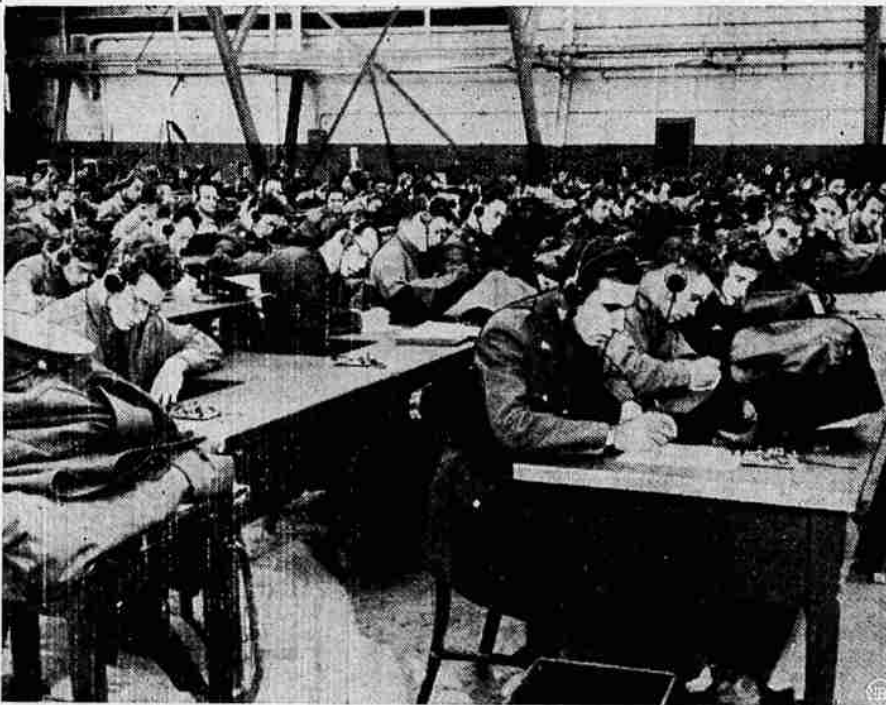
## Home Interests Conference Dated At State College

OREGON STATE COLLEGE—Several national and international figures are included on the program for the eleventh annual conference for the study of home interests at Oregon State college, February 25-28, according to the program issued by the home economics extension office.

Governor Charles A. Sprague has accepted an invitation to address the delegates to the conference at the opening banquet Tuesday evening, February 25. He will give the principal address on a topic not yet announced.

Another off-campus speaker will be Dr. E. S. West of the Oregon Medical school in Portland, who will speak on "Nutrition in an American Democracy." The lecturer of the Oregon State grange, Mrs. G. W. Thiessen, of

## Their "Ham" Experience Aids Uncle Sam



All effort to build up Uncle Sam's air force isn't devoted to training pilots. Former radio "hams"—owners of amateur short-wave stations—fill an important national defense role. Studying code transmission and receiving, some of the 500 "hams" are pictured at the army's largest school for radio operators at Scott Field, Belleville, Ill.

## "Most Courageous Athlete of 1940"



His uniform is his badge of courage and the Philadelphia Sporting writers named him at their annual dinner as 1940's "most courageous athlete." He's Jean Paul Desloges, of Ottawa, football and hockey star, who joined the Royal Canadian Air Force at war's start and was wounded fighting overseas in the Battle of England.

Milwaukee, will be in charge of a recreation program Wednesday evening.

Among others who will take part in the program, in addition to a considerable list of college staff members, are Mrs. Eva Heffner, president of the state federation of garden clubs, who will discuss flower arrangement; Dr. E. N. Todhunter, head of

home economics research at W. S. C., who will discuss vitamins from foods versus concentrates; Dr. H. M. Ericson of the Oregon state board of health, who will

supply, speak on dietary deficiencies, and Dr. Henry I. Rowntree of the University of Washington, who will discuss the family food

## Construction In Northwest Leaps To Ten-Year High

PORTLAND, Ore.—(AP)—Construction in the Pacific northwest jumped 35 per cent last year to the highest level since 1930, the annual Equitable Savings & Loan association survey showed.

Building in 30 northwest cities reached \$63,657,369, compared with \$47,033,249 in 1939. Washington led with a 50 per cent increase over 1939, Oregon had a 20 per cent gain and Idaho 5 per cent.

Dwelling construction was at its highest point in decades, accounting for approximately half of total building value. For the area dwelling construction increased 43 per cent. Washington led with a 47 per cent gain, Oregon was up 40 per cent and Idaho 13 per cent.

By states the total increase was: Washington from \$24,262,742 in 1939 to \$36,398,777 in 1940, Oregon from \$13,308,613 to \$15,926,439; Idaho from \$3,208,098, to \$3,364,988.

Continuation of the increase was predicted for 1941, although the association warned building costs may rise.

## FLOUR WAS WASTED

The picturesque old English custom of powdering the hair was abandoned largely because of a scarcity of food. It was discovered, during a food shortage, that the flour used to whiten the hair of the British army alone was enough to feed 50,000 people.



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