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Fourteen million men were called Thursday and many of them will get over in time to see the finish of the Hun.

Ships & Sugar



OVER 75 per cent. of the sugar used in the United States is delivered by ships. There is produced about 800,000 tons of beet sugar and 250,000 tons of cane sugar in Louisiana. The total consumption of the United States is about 4,500,000 tons of raw sugar, which makes about 4,250,000 tons of refined sugar.

If our coasts were blockaded as Germany's now are, we would have available for the use of the people of the United States only one pound of sugar for every four we use. Under such circumstances there is no doubt that the American people would get along on this limited supply without complaint.

The United States Food Administration is asking every American household to use not more than two pounds of sugar per person each month for domestic use. Reducing our sugar consumption here means that we will be able to help supply the needs of France, England and Italy. Sugar conservation on the American table also means conservation of ships.

The Army and Navy have sent out an "S. O. S." call for ships. "Save Our Ships to Transport Troops and Munitions to France, in order that we may keep the fighting front where it now is and not allow it to extend to our own homes," is the message.

There is ample sugar in the world for all requirements—in fact, there is a large surplus, but on account of the ship shortage it is not available for use in this country.

Java, which produces 15 per cent. of the world's cane crop, is too far removed. It requires 150 to 160 days for a ship to go to Java and return.

FARMERS KILL HUN STARVATION PLAN WITH BIG CROPS

Pinched by Own Hunger, Germans Watch American Wheat Flow in Plenty to the Allies

The soil, the two-fisted fighting men that spring from the soil, and the unconquerable determination of the Americans who till it, are beating the Germans.

Thrown back from his first rush across the Marne and held at Verdun by the valiant French, the Huns cast all the restraints of humanity and civilization to the winds and ushered in unrestricted submarine warfare with the boast that England would be starved in six months.

How nearly they approached success will form one of the most gloomy chapters in the world war history; how and why they failed, one of the most inspiring sections of the epic chronicle.

AMERICA SENDS FIGHTERS FOOD

True, British and American sea-dogs hunted the submarine; American ship-builders launched fleets whose sheer numbers made it impossible for the Hun sub-sea terrors to sink all of them; British land conscription turned hundreds of thousands of acres of parks and hunting preserves into crop-producing areas; Hoover and American food economy saved millions of bushels of wheat and shiploads of meat for fighting men and civilians in France and England.

But in the last analysis it was the farm and the farmer of America that kept allied hosts on every Western front in plenty and added despair of victory to the pinch of hunger behind the Hun lines.

His bumper crops jolted hopes at Potsdam and Vienna as severely as his fighting sons jolted Teuton generals at Cantigny and along the Marne, since expectations of American crop failure were based with Germanic complacency on carefully plotted campaigns of propaganda and sabotage in the United States.

HUN AGENTS BURN CROPS

The general public is too little aware of the bitter battles the crop grower has had to fight to bring his wheat to harvest.

Burned barns, standing crops, harvesters and threshing machines were only a part of the widespread ruin planned by these fellows of Boy-Ed, Von Papen and von Bernstorff, and in too many instances their plots were successful. That more were not was due only to untiring vigilance which can never be relaxed while the war lasts.

New goals, not easy of attainment, are placed before the farmer through the plan for raising an army of five million Americans to crush Germany next year.

He will be further handicapped by the loss of hands to the army, and he must raise greater crops. Plans of the Department of Agriculture call for the increase of wheat acreage in the West by as much as 80 per cent.

NEW EFFORTS CALLED FOR

No one doubts that he will rise to the opportunity for service placed before him, any more than any one doubts that he will play his other parts in the perfectly co-ordinated fighting machine revealed when America turned as a nation to win the war.

Not the least of these parts was his participation in the financing of the battle, though previous history had written down much effort to finance the farmer.

Rural districts were uniformly more prompt than metropolitan areas in their response to the Third Liberty Loan. Honor flags first flew from country flagstaves, and those with the greatest number of honor stripes likewise.

The Third Liberty Loan, the greatest financial achievement in the history of the United States, and therefore in the world, is to be perhaps doubly eclipsed by the Fourth Liberty Loan.

The part of the farmer probably will be as proud.

Buy and Buy and Buy and By There'll be no Kaiser!

Liberty Bond or Liberty Bond, Which Will You Have It?

Put Money in Bonds—not Bonbons.

Bonds Speak Louder than Words.

Do Not Be a Bond Slacker.

Hock the Kaiser and Buy a Bond.

Help Yankee Doodle Do the Despot.

Pay His Way to St. Helena on Bonds.

Help Boom the Loan to Doom the Kaiser!

A Man Who Won't Lend Is the Kaiser's Friend!

The More Bonds You Buy the Fewer Boys Will Die!

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