

The neighbors may think it's amusing, but along about spring cleaning time, Mrs. William Alcott of Minneapolis is mighty glad he husband is a professional stiltwalking circus clown. She puts Bill to work, as pictured above, washing windows.

SKY'S THE LIMIT



At White Sands Proving Ground N.M., men are dwarfed as the work on a German V-2 rocket of the type that will be fired in test scheduled for May 10. It is expect ed that the radio-controlled missile will attain a maximum speed of 3200 mph.



Sir Alexander Clutterbuck, K.C .-M.G., M.C., has been selected to succeed Mr. Malcolm MacDonald as High Commissioner in Canada. Sir Alexander was born in 1897 and entered the Civil Service in 1919. He served as secretary to the Donoughmore commission on the Cevlon Constitution in 1927-28 and visited Ceylon in that capacity. He has visited Newfoundland and Canada on several occasions and was secretary of the Nowfoundland Royal Royal Commission in 1933. He served in South Africa as United Kingdom Deputy High Commissioner in 1939-40. He received his knighthood in the recent New Years Honours. Sir Alexander Clutterbuck was appointed as Under Secretary of State in the Dominions Office in 1942 and has been in charge of the economic and supply side of that office.

Seed Planting Practices By W. J. DRYDEN, WNU Farm Editor.

The highest quality seed will not show a profitable growth unless it has been properly planted. Or in reverse, the best planting methods will not show good returns from inferior seeds.

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If old seed is to be utilized, germination tests should be made early. When a high percentage of germination results the seeds may be used, otherwise immediate plans should be made to secure suitable stock.

CREASE THE FLAP TO MAKE A TROUGH.

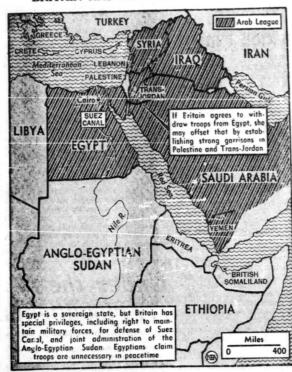
Planting methods vary with the locality and the type of soil. It may be advisable to plant in beds or ridges in order to obtain good drainage in some gardens. Level planting is recommended on the lighter sandy soils and on the majority of the sandy loam and clay loam soils. In irrigation sections the seeds are usually planted on the side of the furrows a little above the tion water level.

evenly and thinly, even though it | plants.

SOWING SEED EVENLY AND THINLY IS AN ART. Seeds and labor may be saved by an even stand. If both seeds group proper sowing. In many soils it will pay to mix a small quantity of fine soil to cover the seeds.

In actual sowing, take the seeds in the fineses and drop them cannot be soil to cover the seeds. in the fingers and drop them even-ly. See that the seeds are spaced seeds than you expect to mature

BRITAIN HAS EGYPTIAN HEADACHES



Anglo-Egyptian treaty negotiations in Cairo may produce a UN test case of Britain's ability to hold her own against Russian and Arabian pressure. Egyptians demand withdrawal of British troops, present under previous treaty. Concessions British may make could be seized upon by Russia and the Arab League as basis for further inroads on England's Middle East position. If British put heavy forces in Palestine and Trans-Jordan, Russians and Arabs may argue foreign troops are as objectionable there as in Egypt.

WHERE BIG FOUR WRESTLE WITH PEACE PROBLEMS

Pictured above is the historic Palace of the Luxembourg, facing Paris' famed Luxembourg Gardens, where foreign ministers of the Big Four seek mutual agreement on peace terms that will put a formal end to World War II. Built in the early 17th Century for Maria de Medici, queen consort of Henry IV, it housed the French senate until the German occupation, served the Germans as Paris headquarters and was used by the Consultative Assembly of the French provisional government after the liberation. Photo below is view of the magnificent conference hall.

# Highlights of the News

history.

U.S. Expects Record Crops

N. E. Dodd, United States Under

secretary of Agriculture, said re-

this year's wheat and corn crops will be the largest in United States

Smaller Loaf in U. K.

The British Government has o

dered a 121/2 per cent reduction in

the use of flour for domestic brea

for beer making.

production and a 15 per cent cut

in the amount of barley to be used

The new grain economies, listed The new grain economies, instead in a statement from Prime Minister Clement R. Attlee's Downing Street residence, will give British house-wives a standardized loaf of 134

pounds, instead of two pounds

"Good News" For Britain

· The cargo liner Salacia left Mon

treal last week with 15,000,000

tems of good news for the people

of Britain. Her cargo was eggs, 15,

000,000 fresh eggs being kept i

The Salacia was bound for Glas-

New Wheat Curb Planned

The U.S. government in a "much

more drastic" step to avert starva-

tion abroad, may move in and take

part of the wheat now held by

The grain obtained in this way

would be used to help meet famine

refrigerated holds.

mills and elevators.

without a reduction in price.

cently there is a "good chance" that

Sugar Ration Unchanged Canada's sugar allocation for 1946 of 465,000 tons is an increase of 4,600 tons over the 1945 alloca-

World allocations for 1946 were announced last week by the Com-bined Food Board on the basis of an estimated total supply of 11,809,000 tons compared with 12,270,000 tons in 1945. The Canadian 1945 allocation was 460,400 tons for civilian requirements.

.. As a result of the Canadian allocation no cut in the present sugar ration is contemplated, Prices Board officials said.

To Bring Dependents The 80,773-ton liner Queen Mary is expected to make several trips to Halifax, en route to New York, with dependents of Canadian sericemen starting in May. If Prices Are Lifted

Collapse of the present price control system can panic United States onsumers into a "stampede" estly spending, according to Pr Administrator Paul Porter. "7 danger," he said, "is a real frightening possibility." Monty to Visit Canada

gomery will visit Canada next August, he told Canadian members of his staff at Bad Oernhausen Germany. Viscount Montgomery is relin uishing his post as commander of the British occupation zone of Germany, and shortly will become chief of the Imperial General Staff, tities can be bought directly from succeeding Lord Alan Brooke.

Field Marshal Viscount Mont

JOHNSON FACES UP TO IT



Being a Hollywood columnist isn't all cozy interviews with glamor gals, says Erskine Johnson, NEA's noted Movieland reporter, and sends along this photo to prove it. He has just taken—and is about to get another—custard pie right in the puss from Betty Hutton.

In Betty's upcoming picture she plays the part of the movies' old-time serial queen, Pearl White.

Canada's Lumber Cut Canada's lumber cut is like reach the record figure of 5,00 100,000,000 feet over the 1947 according to Reconstruction De ment officials.

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### Muddle of Korea A Major Problem

The report from Korca to this newspaper (the New York Times) of American and Russian troops facing each other in what amount to almost open hostility across a poorly defined demarcation line would seem to make necessary a clarification of the muddled situa-tion in that small country. The problem of what to do about Korea has been mishandled from the start.

Korea is not a former enemy country. Yet here is Korea, under as restricted an occupation as either Germany or Japan, divided by an arbitrary line, and denied either economic or political unity by the apparent obtuseness of the occupy-

ing Powers. The Moscow Conference in December drew up what appeared to be a clear mandate to the United States and Russian commanders in Korea to achieve both economic and political unity of the country. Two conferences have failed to reach any sort of an acceptable agreement on either point. In the meantime Korea suffers, American-Russian relations deteriorate and the rest of Asia looks at the muddle probable that the longer the situation is allowed to continue as it is, the worse it will become.

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## SPOTS OF SPORTS

By FRANK MANN HARRIS

Seems as if the next time we invite those Winnipeg Monarchs to come East we should tell them to be sure and fetch their trunks and make us a real visit. The draw-back to these flying trips is that just about when folks are starting to get really acquainted the whole

However, there was one fine thing about the final result of the recent serial between those Monnow, of that team they were play ing?—Oh, yes, the St. Mikes. It was a real slap in the face for several folks we know who were going around, before it started, freely predicting that it would go the very limit. And as everybody knows, it didn't do that by any means, because Saturday's game might very well have ended in tie, with an eighth and decisivenot to say sell-out-struggle to follow on the Monday.

thing is over and they have to part.

. . . But it's all over and done with now; and we should all heartily congratulate all the lads who so gallantly took part on the fact that, through their efforts, the noble cause of purely amateur sport has received such a wonderful boost.

. . . The Westeners win has brought nce again to the f re something that never ceases to amaze us-the strain of self-sacrificing loyalty that runs through many sports time to sign off for another week. followers whom you would never suspect of harboring such a quality. Over the week-end we must have talked to at least a dozen who, in their own words, "knew all the time that the Monarchs were much the best". But do you think that any of them profited financially by such inside know ledge? Not a single one of them!

the home-town team, and were now broke and trying to put the bite on somebody for coffee-and Next on the agenda would seem to be trying to dig up the winner of the King's Plate. And from the appearance of the prices the bighearted gents who make "futur

books" are quoting at present, it looks as if KINGARVIE is al-

ready home-free, and a lot of own

ers could save themselves trouble and jockey fees by staying out of

t and letting said steed have walk-over. \* \* \* Well, maybe KINGARVIE is actually as good as a lot of his poosters will try to tell you; maybe he does outclass his opposition enough to justify wagering on hir at less than even money-which is what he probably will be quoted at when post-time for the big event arrives. If you happen to be one of his admirers, don't let anything we say discourage you and switc

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you off him.

But-well, as the guy said, there's only one way a horse can win a race, and ten thousand ways he can lose it. And, digging back among our memories of more King's Plates than we care to admit, we can recall several steed with standings almost as impressive, several that were rated jus about as highly as KINGARVII.

—that is, before the barrier went up. And, while we remember two or three of those 'standouts' that actually came through, there were

others who finished up breathing large chunks of track-Just. In fact whenever we get into

discussion about such a race as the King's Plate we can't help thinking of the remark of one of the wisest horsemen we knew—an ancient Irishman. Asked to give his opinion of Canadian bred horses in general he said; "The one thing outstanding about your Canadianled horses is their consistent inconsistency-for they do be beating one another with the greatest of

So, all things considered, we think this might be a good one to sit out, wagerless, or wiht a two-dollar ticket on the longest shot on the board. There may be a whole lot of glamour attached to the King's Plate. If you're that way inclined you can get considerable excitement from the realization that you're actually watching the longest-established horse-race on the American Continent. But when you dig underneath all the frills and build-up, it's nothing but a race between a bunch of horses that haven't seen action for half a year or more. And in that kind of an affair, anything can happpen

-and generally does! And the fact that we've actually got down to making snoots at the sacred King's Plate-Oh, horrors!

### The Farm Forum

It's True That . . .

with the slow-up in slaughte ing in government inspected packing plants, meat scrap and tankage supplies will be far below the demand; also the diversion of materials from livestock feed to human food. Generally, the protein feed situation discloses an acute shortage of supplies. Pilchard fish meal production on the Pacific Coast is onsiderably belov, that of the previous year and herring meal production is also down. Although production of vegetable proteins has been increased they are nevertheless short of demand. In the pre-war years Canada imported substantial quantities of soybean meal, and other vegetable proteins. At the pre-sent time no imports of these products are available

ATTENDED . it was from Russia, Canada obtained the hardy apple stock which served as parent of half the today. Some 60 years ago Dr. Saunders imported both seed and nursery stock of small Siberian crabapples. These, crossed with other hardy apples, created new varieties with the Siberian crab's resistance to harsh weather, and with the size and flavour of most southern

during the past 12 years the farmers of Great Britain have lost 904,000 acres of land to the government for various reasons-build areas, etc. In due time the lands appropriated for war uses will be returned to their owners. in the meantime-? Rationing? Consider the population and the total farm