CONGRESS PASSES LAW REQUIR ING ALL DEALERS IN FOOD STUFFS TO ANSWER SPECIAL Never whine that the fates are "agin" QUESTIONNAIRE - HEAVY PEN-ALTY FOR FAILURE.

Every Queen Annes county merchant who sells food-stuffs should hold himself in readiness to make a detailed report to the government of all stock onh is shelves, and all held in storage.

The most comprehensive inventory Come across with the faith of a leadof food resources in the United States ever made—the war emergency food survey, provided for by Congresswill be started within the next few For the practice of trying's a breeder days, when the first batch of the more than three-quarters of a million sched. Don't quit in the race you have started ules or questionnaires to be sent out will be placed in the mails. The Bu The world is too small for half enreau of Markets has been commissioned by the Secretary of Agriculture to carry out the big stock-taking enterprise with the co-operation of other branches of the department This survey will touch every dealer in food and food materials, every food manufacturer, and every holder of substantial Make the big deeds forerunners of quantities of foods in the country except the family, requiring them to report stocks which they had on hand To the quitter black clouds seem the December 31, 1917. A separate schedule will be sent to a representative number of specially selected homes Get out of the class of the slacker throughout the country, and upon re Show your mettle and force Come turns from these an estima will be made for all homes

The apprometure survey follows a preliminary inventory for a limited number of food items made August 31 last, results of which have been nearly all tabulated

The aim of the survey to be be gun shortly is to give the Government producers, dealers and consumers exact information of the quantities of the various important food materials on hand. It is only with trustworthy figures of existing food stocks as a basis, as was pointed out when Congress provided for the survey, that safe plans can be made for conserving and distributing foods already on hand and for producing the foods needed next season

Questionnaires To Be Used. The survey will be made by means

of schedules or questionnaires contain ing questions and blanks for answers in regard to 86 items, covering more than a hundred different foods. These Grains and seeds, grain foods products, meat and meat products, 6sh. estimate of quantities, if any, in transit outward by freight or express on December 31, 1917 and the quantities that were on hand December 1916. The resturns also will show the nature of ganization and size of the business of each dealer They must be signed by the owner or an authorized official

Schedules will be sent to all dealers. Bolsbeviki They'll need it for flags in food materials all manufacturers of food products and all holders of such commodities in lots substantially thinking about the Kaiser greater than family supplies Reports. therefore, will be expected from wholesale and retail grocers, bakers. Old Mother Hubbard confectioners, and all other dealers Locked up the cupboard in commodities containing food materials, from warehousemen and cold she's not despotic storage concerns, from commissaries Just patriotic of institutions and commercial and in dustrial establishments, from export ers; from manufacturers employing any food products in their operations; and from representatives of foreign governments who buy supplies in this country The Government desires re over all the mines, it is hoped that we ports even from concerns using foodstuffs as ingredients in products not ordinarily considered food, from bottiers of sods water and similar bev. Its easy enough to be pleasant. the sugar employed

Penalties For Failure To Report. Altogether, more than three-quarters of a million schedules will be distributed. Mailing lists have been prepared to cover the field as fully as possible. but some individuals and concerns who should make report of food materials held by them undoubtedly have been unavoidably missed. The Bureau of Markets, therefore, is asking each such individual and concern that does not receive a schedule by January 2 to write to the Bureau of Markets, United States Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C., or to any of the many agencies of the bureau throughountry, for a copy. The local addresses of these agencies are given with each of the three-quarters of a tained by inquiry of any business associate who has received one of the

The act of Congress providing for emergency food survey fixed | | | a fine not exceeding \$1,000 or imprisboth, as punishment for any individ- doctor, lawyer or banker, and experinel or concern who wilfully fails to chee is requisite to a full knowledge make report when requested, or will of all professions. eration of the affected trades | and boring a

schedules.

OBSERVATIONS

COME ACROSS. Come across with the best you have

in you With a wallop backed up by a

Or be so darned quick to complain. But pick up the hoe and go grubbing. Just winnew the gold from the

Break away from the dronning and and drubbing-Show the world what you've got-Come across!

and grit.

Of things that make a man "fit." Or figure each failure a loss

deaver. So brace up now Come across

Come across with the vim and the vigor That blessed you the day of your

bigger. For the doers inherit the earth

biacker. The buried stone gathers no moss

. . . for a long dry spell

ACCORD!

Howdy do Mr Engineer McAdoo

. . .

It is said that the British will soon have it so that a man can travel from Jerusalem to Jericho without fear of falling among thieves . . .

We suppose now that beer has been reduced in alcoholic content it will be called near beer

China's first military move of the war has been announced Hope it will make Japan jealous

In regard to this evolution stuff we feel a good deal like Old Uncle Frim us who when asked about it said don't know nuffin and care less bout this yere ebolution, ine not bothered bout where I cam from but where lee gwine

. . . The Kaiser is now reported as having set the date of the grand offensive for February. He'd better have chosen

In regard to the destruction of the Krupp plant in Germany, our greatest fear is that it has been greatly exact gerated

. . . that every one of these blows are cost ing the enemy heavily

Why not send all the red tape to

. . . If you want to keep warm keep

A Patriotic Dame.

in a decided mood

She is conserving food

. . . There's no use arguing about luck. Every man believes his is the worst . . .

Now that Uncle Sam is going to take will all have coal to burn

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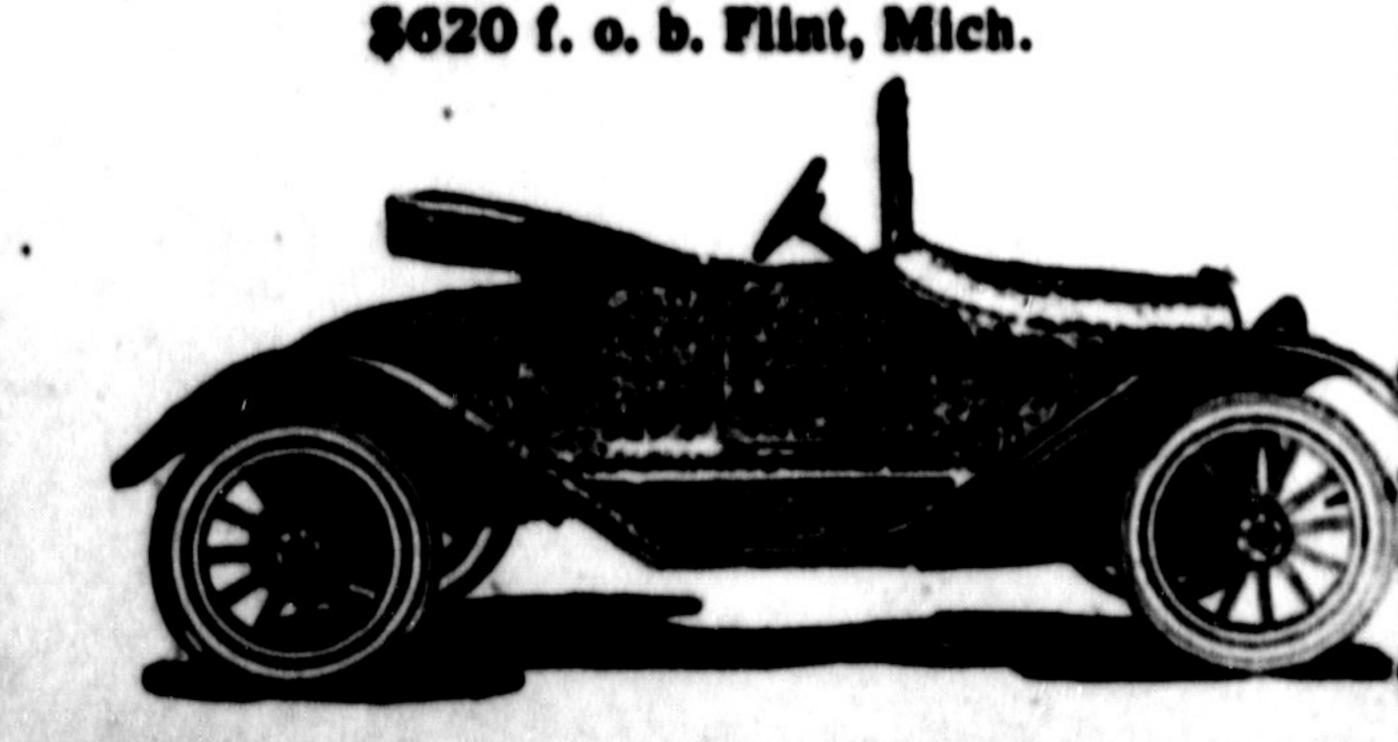


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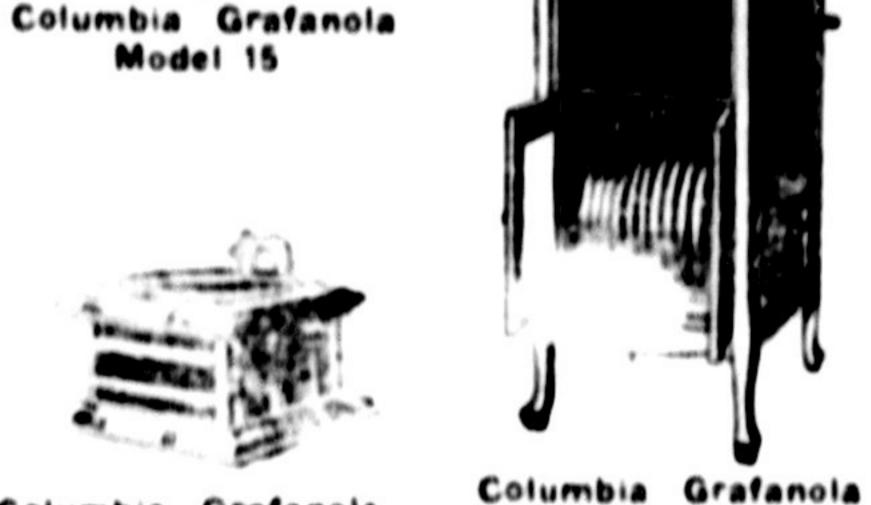
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