









**Raise Some Vegetables You Can't Buy**



—Photo Courtesy Ferry-Morse Seed Co.

The only way you can be sure of having certain delicious vegetables for your table is to raise them in your own garden.

Take Swiss chard, for example. Those appetizing greens have been widely grown in Victory Gardens these war years. The reason you don't see them in the markets is because the delicate foliage withers quickly after picking. To enjoy Swiss chard at its best, you should use it shortly after cutting. The same planting will furnish many a "mess o' greens" over a long period if only the outside stalks are cut each time, allowing the center leaves to go on growing. (See illustration).

Savoy is a type of cabbage not at all improved by being hauled from place to place... the crinkly brittle leaves bruise so easily. By growing a few heads in the garden, you can have this tender, delicately flavored, nearly odorless variety at its finest. It takes no more exertion and care than raising plain cabbage. Chieftain is the variety which has become a universal favorite.

Friends who come to dinner will exclaim over edible pod peas from your garden vines. This is a type of pea which is cooked and eaten like snap beans, pod and all, when the young peas have barely begun to form. The liking for this mouth-

watering dish may have originated in France or Holland. Folks of Dutch ancestry are the ones most familiar with edible pod peas in our own land. Once grown in anyone's garden, they are likely to be on the repeater list year after year. Do you know that odd shaped vegetable, kohlrabi? Plant a row of it and give the family something out of the ordinary. Although related to cabbage, it is milder and more delicate in flavor. It looks like a turnip growing above ground. Kohlrabi matures quite rapidly and should be eaten when about two inches in diameter.

Anybody can have common cucumber pickles. You can add that extra touch to your list of appetizers by raising West India gherkins. The prickly little oval fruits, picked when fairly small, make unusually good sweet pickles... nearly impossible to get these days for love or money.

**MAHON TO MAKE SURVEY FOR HOUSE ON ARMY FUND NEEDS**

By **TEX EASLEY**  
WASHINGTON.—It has fallen the lot of West Texas Congressman George Mahon of Colorado City to help check up on how much money the army needs to keep the war going.

Of course tens of thousands of civilian clerks, non-coms and lower ranking officers will add all the little figures into big figures and pass them on to the generals. The generals in turn will personally come to Capitol Hill and lay them before Congress.

That's where the tall and slender, unassuming Texas representative enters the picture. He is on the House Appropriations subcommittee which passes on all bill raising money for the War department. What the subcommittee decides is seldom questioned by the full committee, and the recommendation of the full committee, which accompanies introduction of legislation, is almost invariably accepted by the House.

Some time in May, General George Marshall and several subordinate generals will appear before the House Military Appropriations subcommittee asking for the biggest appropriation of the year, about 40 billions of dollars.

There will be a breakdown, showing the cost of various types of planes and the number of each needed. The committee met in closed session and some of the data is highly secret. Officers in charge of munitions will show how much money is needed to turn out so many shells. Air transport command officers may ask for so many cargo sections of B-29s, the medical corps needs supplies, uniforms and foods have to be bought, and so on.

"It is our duty to look into the jurisdiction for the requests for funds," commented Mahon. "If we were to blindly rubber stamp everything there would be no reason for our passing on legislation."

In order that he can better visualize how the money is being spent and better estimate how much will be needed to carry on the varied activities and operations of the Army, Mahon plans trips between now and May. He probably will go to numerous places in this country and possibly to the battle-fronts.

Because he is the youngest of the top-ranking members of the subcommittee—he is 44—Mahon has been requested by Chairman Snyder (D-Pa.) to make the inspections on behalf of the group.

One of the most serious and conscientious members of the House, Mahon won't agree that

the proposed trips come under the heading of junkets, if you're inclined to think that. The committee feels that it, as the only group which can question the every desire of the War department for taxpayers' dollars, should have some first-hand knowledge of the way the money is being spent, he says.

When the huge appropriation bill comes on the floor, and members of the House rise to question the lump-sum items, it will be Mahon's responsibility largely to supply the answers. Many members feel that unless some watch is made over all government agencies, including the Army, there may be a reckless waste of funds, or more spending than there otherwise would be.

**Personal**

Mrs. J. E. Swaringen will leave this week for San Diego, Calif. for about a five weeks visit with her husband, an apprentice seaman in the United States Navy, who is stationed near San Diego.

Mrs. Sam Augustine left Friday for a visit with Lieut. and Mrs. Andy Hurst Jr., in Liberal, Kan.

Miss Loenita Starrett, McAdoo, accepted a position in the G. F. Wackers Store this week.

The six months old baby of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Johnson, Dry Lake, is improving after a few days illness.

TRY SPUR MERCHANTS FIRST

Miss Louise Ince, who is attending Texas Tech, Lubbock, spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Ince, Spur.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Tollison made a business trip to Lubbock Wednesday.

Mrs. B. F. Saxon and Lem King are spending a few days in Lubbock visiting Mrs. Joe Holder.

E. S. Swan of the Croton community was in Spur on business Wednesday.

Mrs. Wesley Burt, Roaring Springs, was in Spur Tuesday, shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Alexander are expected to return to Spur this week from a vacation trip to San Antonio.

Mrs. F. A. Morris who has been an employee of the G. F. Wacker store for the past several months has resigned and accepted employment at the local telephone office this week.

Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Willman, Afton, were Spur visitors Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Green, Afton, were in Spur on business Monday.

Mrs. Ennie Moss, Mrs. M. S. Thacker and young son, Max, of Roaring Springs, were Spur visitors Tuesday.

Science and religion should be compatible. One stands upon acts and the other rests upon faith. There is no competition.

Just because a man is a good sport does not always mean that he is a good man.

Take it from us: Money will not always be as plentiful as it is today. The moral is to save some of what passes through your hands.

The world has spent much money on education and religion and there is still much to be done to persuade the human race to accept either.

The millennium will not come with peace; when the wars end we will face great problems demanding the utmost patriotism from every American.

Nature must be wonderful: The nation, at war, suffers enormous casualties and the birth rate jumps up enough to more than make up our losses.

Next month the American Red Cross will ask Americans to support its war work; this is your opportunity to help the boys overseas with compensation.

One way to build up a town is to make it so attractive to young people that they will want to stay home and develop their own interests.

Democracy suffers more from its loud-mouthed friends than from its enemies.

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**CARD OF THANKS**

We want to thank each one who called, sent flowers or helped in any way during the death of our husband and father, May God bless you all.

Mrs. M. M. Tullis and children

**CORRECTION**

In last week's issue of The Texas Spur concerning the death of Pfc. Carl A. Hart, the article stated he was killed in action December 29. According to the message from the War Department, Pfc. Hart's death occurred on January 5.

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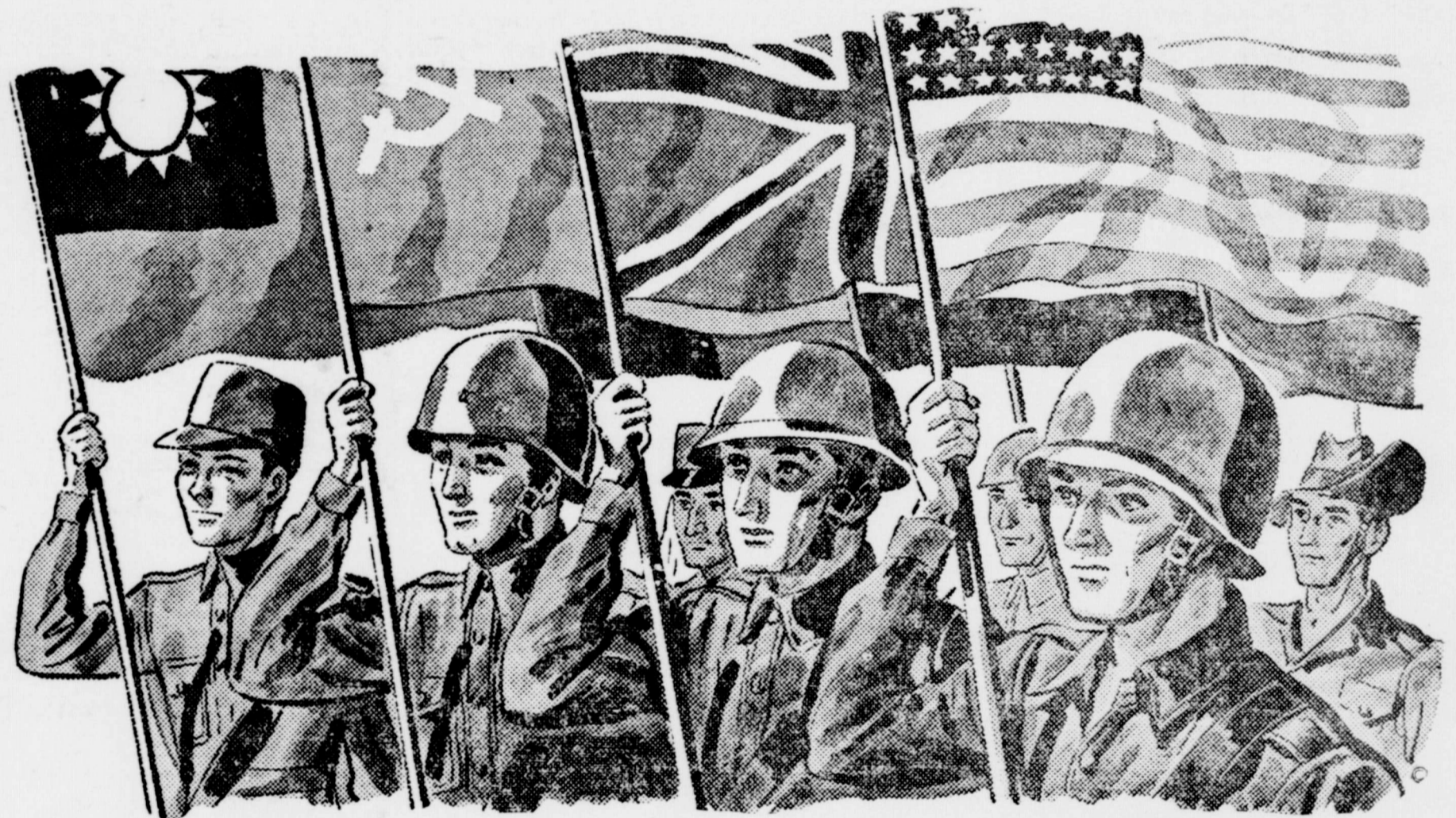
**MANPOWER SHORTAGES MEAN THAT ALL FARM MACHINERY MUST BE KEPT IN BEST CONDITION!**

- Every small tool, every big machine must be working at maximum efficiency on your farm this year when highest production goals must be met with the aid of fewer hands. Work your farm with all the manpower saving machines and devices you have or can procure. Get repair work done as soon as possible to prevent last minute jams for both you and us. Your harvesting will be easier, more productive!

**It's not how much land you plant—  
But how much you are able to harvest**

**WE GUARANTEE ALL WORK DONE BY US**  
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**On National Brotherhood Week**  
**"SO PROUDLY WE HAIL"**  
**The Flags of Our Nation and Our Allies**



**W**e hail our flag... the Stars and Stripes... as it flies high with the other United Nations' flags in world battles. We will see to it that our flag, and those of our allies, will go on waving high over battles to come until final victory. We will see to it that the post-war world maintains the freedom, democracy, progress and unity which our flag, and these flags, symbolize.

- We hail our own special flag for the particular brand of democracy for which it stands. It is a democracy built upon the sound principles of flexibility and progress George Washington... on Lincoln's emphasis on **UNITY AND HUMAN FREEDOM**. We hail these two great presidents who gave so much to our nation. We firmly resolve to cherish inviolate their great gift.
- May it be our aim, especially during this Brotherhood Week, to help our fellow man, and put others before self.

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