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# Keep the Public Lands Public ly recognize! But those judg-ly recognize! But those judg-ments are none the less deadly varying interpretations and em-

We reprint the following in-lic lands and their proposed trans- The old saw "we never miss the put upon one and the same probteresting article from the publi- fer from the standpoint of con- water until the well runs dry" lem. Multiple ownership of the cation The Living Wilderness servation of our natural resums it all up very neatly. Dur-land would make most difficult The article is written by James sources. The concepts of con- ing a drought we offer up prayers the finding of right answers to Archie Diffin, son of the late Mr. servation have, within recent for rain—when for the last 50 conservation questions such as and Mrs. John Diffin of Andover years, been quite properly broad- years we have been over-stocking this. and a veteran of World War I. ened in scope, so that today its the ranges and destroying pre- It is the long-range gain or Mr. Diffin has lived for 25 basic issues involve soil, forest, cious vegetation, trees, grasses, loss that needs to be carefully years in Arizona, where he home-water, and wildlife resources. In and shrubs, that would produce weighed and their possibility ponsteaded a section of public lands short, man at last is beginning to humus. Humus soil can hold dered carefully before any ac-

The article follows:

lic lands to the States of Wyom-tion? ing, Washington, Montana, North These public lands are, almost all right when it rains. If no Dakota, Oregon, Idaho, South Da- without exception, marginal or humus is present to sponge up

kota, California, Nevada, Utah, submarginal lands unfit for cul-the rain when it hits the earth, Colorado, Arizona and New Mex-tivation because of their physical off it runs in silt-laden torrents! ico, and for the elimination of character, or—as in the arid carrying the valuable top-soil; lands from national forests, na-isouthwest-because no adequate with it. Devastating erosion of tional parks and monuments, as water supply is available. Their top-soil is the net result. In time well as game and bird reserva- chief value is for grazing, tho this will mean national disaster. tions—"died" with the outgoing even this is uncertain in many Man's folly will bring about Na-79th Congress.

It is to be feared, however, the land be broken up into small speedily awakens to certain funthat the danger is only tempor-tracts under private ownership. damental facts. arily allayed, for the idea of Erosion, already a serious prob- Building big dams to impound turning these Federal lands over lem over great areas, will be rap- waters is not the answer to the to State ownership and disposi-idly intensified both in degree problem of water conservation. tion has the active support of and extent if they pass to private Of what avail are these if the some of the most powerful organ-ownership or lease. Furthermore, waters are not there to impound? izations to be found in the West. private ownership will preclude Look beyond the dams, "even! Notable among these are the any chance we might have of unto the hills," where the plant American Farm Bureau Federa-solving the major problems both life covering those hills and the tion and wool and cattle growers' of soil and water conservation, humus layer it can produce associations, within whose ranks for these problems by their very preserved, is the one and only special committees have been set nature and magnitude on the answer to water conservation up with the avowed intention of lands in question require land problems. We should certainly pursuing and achieving the final management on a vast scale im- be more interested in constant;" objective. Likewise suspect are possible of approach unless own-stream flow that fills dams with oil and coal interests, tho their ership remains vested in the clear waters than with erosive; activity has been carried on more United States Government.

the great domain of U. S. public tion farmers cannot "see beyond ture's processes are no mass-pro- I HAND THAT BUT SUCAR lands, embracing national for- the borders" of their own fields? duction, assembly-line, 24-hour-

ual, regardless of whether he is community after community whose limited a meaning of the term, particularly conservation - minded municipal water supply came per- for true water conservation be-

be thrown into the breach. Not- have never established any enwithstanding this evidence, few viable reputation in matters of the people saw the inexorable finger conservation of all natural regrazed public domain and for- been in the opposite direction, laundry, iron, sew," APRIL 3, 1947 Ones, is the cause!"

The explanation for our blind-often than not, lie in severa' dif-tion." less judgments of abused Nature ly indicates the need of a unified do not fall in a single catastro-policy of management and conments are none the less deadly varying interpretations and em-1 in their slowly cumulative effect. phasis that different states would

of which he writes. He has been realize that the world of Nature from 300 to 500 per cent of its tion is taken. Bearing in mind three times president of the Ariz-is unity; that is, in scientific fact, weight of water and release that the complicated conservation ona Game Protective Association. one world—a world in which the water gradually in springs, rivu-sues involved, it is very seriously relationships of soil, waters, for-lets, and rivers. Humus is the a question whether the sale or Keep the Public Lands Public ests, and wildlife are all bound one great factor that ensures lease of these lands would result Conservationists all over the together. How, then, does the constant stream flow. No device in tax revenues to the States that country breathed a sigh of relief proposed relinquishment of the of man can put humus into the would be at all comparable to when Senate Bill S. 1945—which public lands "stack up" against soil as can trees, grasses, and the real benefits that will flow provided for the granting of pub-the wider concept of conserva-shrubs! Let us not delude our-from their proper conservation

selves by saying that it will be and management by our Federal the Classified Ads. instances, more especially should ture's stern decree unless h

run-offs that fill them with silt. quietly. Additionally, at a re- Much of the public domain and Were I a stockman, farmer, or cent conference, the western practically all the forested areas urbanite and cared anything State land commissioners went on lie within the watersheds of river about the future welfare of my record as endorsing the move-systems and streams that furnish children, my State and Nation, I

ment. That the accomplishment water for ifrigation, municipal would do all in my power to keep of the move would be inimical to water supply, and hydroelectric the vegetation of watersheds in the best interests of the very or- power purposes. The protection the best possible condition. ganizations supporting it cannot of these watersheds is of vital would try to get it thru my stubbe successfully denied, yet this importance to thousands of farms born head that Nature won't fact apparently finds no recogni- and cities thruout the West. stand for abuse for generations tion within those organizations. Stripped of their vegetative cov- without imposing a terrific pen-We can therefore expect that ering by uncontrolled grazing, as alty; that she has a way of dealnew legislation will be initiated many of them would unquestion- ing with blind and persistent iglooking to this end when the 80th ably be if such a bill should pass, convenes. Hence, the ready to meet the challenge—reservoirs would silt up beyond all hope of remedy, particularly when she says: "Man, you have those in the arid the said and it will be a formidable one. conservation-conscious people and organizations cannot afford to be caught asleep, no matter wheth-picture is not one to inspire optimism.

all hope of remedy, particularly those in the arid areas where not co-operated with me; I'll no longer co-operate with you Move off, while I repair with my slow processes the damage you have diately affected or not, for, the Why is it that so many irriga-done me." And, be it said, Na-

people of the United States. | too-belated gesture toward con- orates much more water into the It thus follows that any attrolling the menace of overgraz-atmosphere than an acre of lake tack upon those lands by grasp- ing on the public domain, and its at the same temperature. That ing interests is an attack upon inevitable by-product, erosion, finds reason in the fact that givthe vested rights of all the peo- would be in effect and purpose ing off moisture is an essential ple. That fact alone should suf- entirely abrogated. The inescap- part of the life process of green fice to unite all parts of the coun- able conclusion is that precious leaves. Hence, in any considertry against the proposition. An watersheds thruout the West, ation of the problem of water attitude of indifference toward it upon which so much agriculture conservation, it behooves us to in any quarter would amount to and stock grazing depend for suc-think of the only reliable "rain acquiescence in the taking of cess, will be threatened with sac-maker"—our forests. The fact a few. This is an issue that very severe drought. The press means the conservation of water should, therefore, arouse the ac- and radio have publicized the ter- as it is applied to the land under tive opposition of every individ- rible water shortage, telling of cultivation. That is entirely too

behind the storage dams, of hy- of our public lands to State own- Government. Until we are conbehind the storage dams, of all we are to droelectric power so seriously ership should be defeated. Tra- vinced beyond the shadow of droelectric power so seriously the States—with a doubt, it will be far more wise to electric power production had to very few notable exceptions — keep the public lands public

"I keep house, of Nature pointing at our over-sources: Rather, the tide has bake, wash dishes, cook, do the ests, as if to say: "There, O Blind that of exploiting them. Vital And the census taker listed watersheds of a river system more here: "Housewife, no

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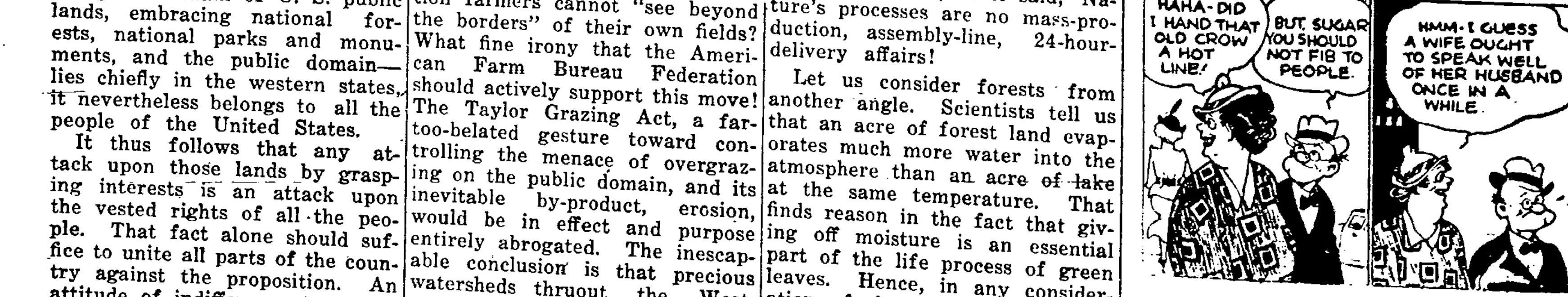
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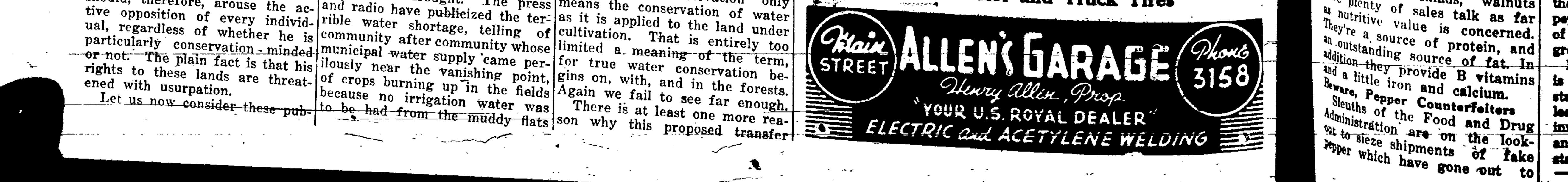
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coming styles—more snoes with accompts to do nazardous and heels will soon be closed toes and heels will soon be constantly and assign—ly. The farmer should and must be on the alert constantly against accidents that—can main him or his help and possibly ruin him same old vegetables week after said. "Aside from the anguish financially."

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vidamina was lost and biscuits

same more alkaline as the

The old expression, "Too much years probation for buying corof a good thing," is particu- rectly labeled imitation pepper KLENITE the Brushless Way rly apt when cooking with bak- and repacking it to sell as the Get KLEENITE today at Clair's soda. For example, biscuits real article. made with sour milk lose more thiamine from enriched flour as e amount of soda is increased. According to tests by the New York State Experiment Station descuits made with one-half tea-

Alfred, N. Y., March 31.—An conducted by the New York black oye, Casey?" peal in cooperation with the estimated 22,000 farm accidents Conference Board of Farm Orin New York State in one year ganizations, the State Health on me back." m New York State in one year ganizations, the State Health on me back."

Department and the National Flannigan: "But, me good man yer face ain't located on yer who what are they?" the doc-Donald S. Pierce, master of farm labor and outworn farm Casey (gloomily): "No, nather tor asked points."

The patient fidgeted in her

set in 1946, according to a management and said are doing jobs that require experience and training," he declared costs of hides, tanning increased costs of hides, tanning and labor. As for gone one day too long without are doing jobs that require experience and training," he declared. "Obsolete machinery for without are doing jobs that require experience and training," he declared. "Obsolete machinery for without are doing jobs that require experience and training," he declared. "Obsolete machinery for without are doing jobs that require experience and training," he declared. "Obsolete machinery for without about that. I'm crazy about the continue because of the accidents were preventable." materials, and labor. As for gone one day too long without repair, attempts to do hazardous obtained is being used extensive-

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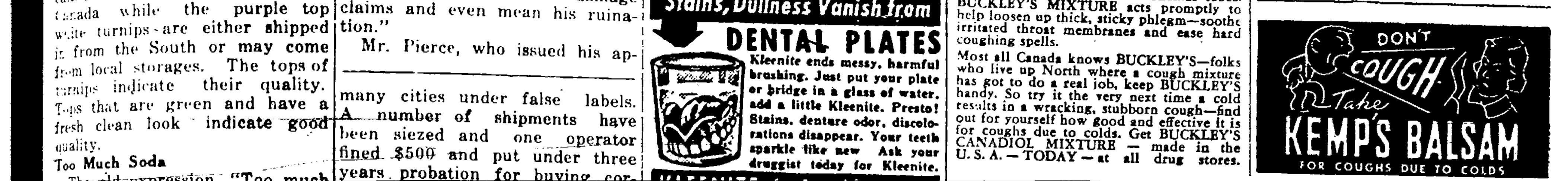
"WHO'S CRAZY?"

A nice little old lady called on

chair. "Well, for one thing," she

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### Garden 'Greens' Can Be Continuous



beginning when Florida growers found themselves with more Plenty of leafy vegetables, raw and cooked, are necessary in the diet tangerines on hand then thev! of both children and grownups in order to promote vigor and well-being. In a home garden they can be continuous for many months if various Now he can the tangerines went. kinds are grown. Now consumers have a new kind Leaf lettuce is one of the first green things to appear. The young

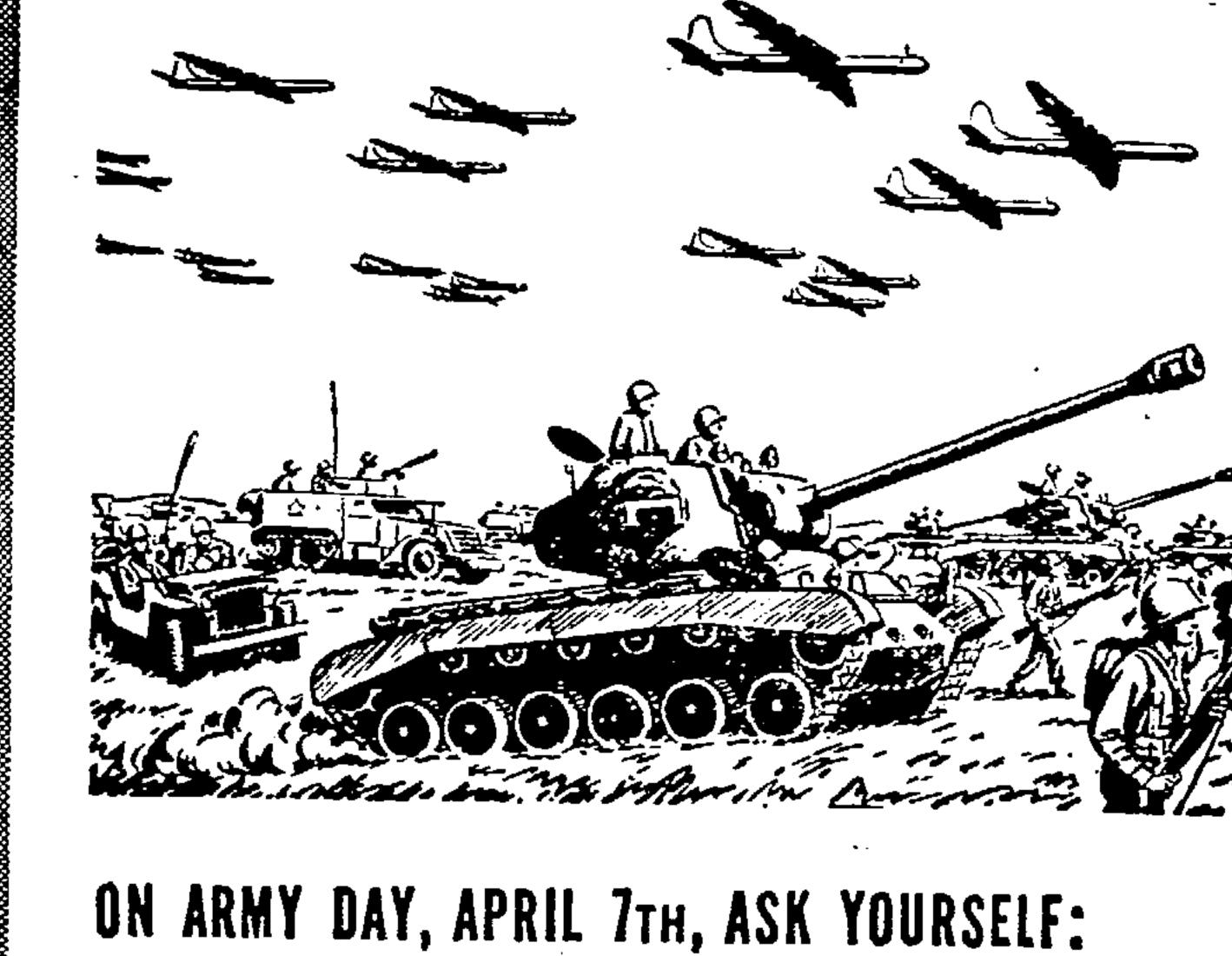
drink can and delicious citrus leaves can be picked for the table drink. So keep your eyes out when only a couple of inches in Of the numerous root tops used to tanoania. Of the numerous root tops used to tanoania. length while the smaller inner as greens, beet, mustard, and turnip Now's a good time to plan a! Tear. Besiden this time of the hot bacon fat, vinegar, and bits of day. The desserts are good to dress cooked bacon. To vary the flavor of the desserts are the flavor of the flavor of the desserts are the flavor of the flav have plenty and salads, walnuts these greens, add a small amount of at hutritive walles talk as far peppergrass. The frilled curly foliage or

they're a source of protein, and grow as lettuce. Menths of the Food and Drug Administration are on the lookand the result will be tender, brittle Kale is one of the best varieties for ben sleze shipments of Take stalks and leaves for a long time. home gardens.

leaves are left to grow. The same are increasingly popular. Like all is true of spinach; the tender new vegetables they are best when young. these for your family leaves are as good raw as cooked Mustard and turnip particularly there are lots of 'em on when chopped and served with oil should be used for greens only in ' of inshell ...... In fact the supply and vinegar dressing. Or, treat the early stages. The tops of mus-March is the supply and vinegar wesome.

A start is the supply and vinegar wesome. The same as "wilted lettuce" tard and turnip combined are apcarry-over for the same as when a mixture of petizing—a favorite of grandmother's By sowing seed of kale in spring

or summer in the North and August They're a source of this upland cress is as easy to can be picked from the garden even can be picked from the garden even udition they provide of fat. In For long season greens swiss chard after the coming of frost and light is a winner. No leafy vegetable snow. In fact, some frost improves stands hot weather better. The outer the texture and flavor of kale, makleaves should be kept picked, the ing it a real treat for late autumn inner ones left to continue growing, and winter meals. Dwarf Curled



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