Between the Capitol and Washington's monument is an open area about 16 blocks in length which lies like a resplendent esplanade to delight the visitors to Washington. One bright morning, the lumber trucks began to appear on one side of this large areaway and deposit their loads of beams, \(2 \times 4\)'s, sheathing and other sizes and types of lumber. In due time the carpenters appeared. Before long, the ring of hammers, and the crackle of saws began to float thro the windows of the Social Security Building just a few yards away. A frame took form. Large squares of composition material were nailed on to make the structure weatherproof. A composition roof soon afforded shelter against rain. The painters came to complete the job. As if by magic, a building had been created in the short space of 30 days to meet the pressing demands for official space in the nation's capital. Scarcely was the paint dry until desks, chairs and office equipment was supplied. Shortly thereafter came young men and young women - typists and file clerks, secretaries and stenographers, experts and economists, bureau heads and administrators to give this frame structure a generous measure of life. It's only a little, unpretentious building as structures go. Yet it's one of the most important in the District of Columbia for it is the home of the Office of Price Administration where Leon Henderson and his staff make decisions daily which affect the whole economic fabric of the land. To this building comes the executives of our biggest business enterprises to confer on problems of securing price ceilings and supplies on which their enterprises depend. For the moment, it appears to be the most important spot in the Capitol.

**MARKETS FOR ILLINOIS FARM PRODUCTS?**

Mr. James V. Forrestal, Assistant Secretary of the Navy, wrote to the Vice President and to the Speaker of the House on October 6, 1941, asking support of Senate bill 1959, to carry out administration wishes to permit oleomargarine, instead of butter, to be used by the Navy. This action followed a Department of Agriculture radio program urging that citizens eat more oleo, less butter.

**VEGETABLE BIN OF THE COUNTRY.**

The Census Bureau has announced that most recent figures available show that vegetables are harvested for the markets from 3,052,608 acres. This is an increase of 240,893 acres over ten years ago. Strangely enough the number of vegetable farms decreased 165,900 in the same period of time. Despite the increase in acreage the value of the marketed vegetables declined in value by $95,947,404. The five states of California, Florida, New York, New Jersey and Texas accounted for 40 per cent of the total commercial vegetable acreage and 49 percent of the total sales.
In the summer of 1858 when Lincoln and Douglas were making debate history over the prairies of Illinois, Edward Thomas Taylor was born in Woodford County, Illinois near Metamora. At an early age he and his family removed to Colorado where he had an eventful career including his election to Congress 34 years ago. He served as Chairman of the Appropriation's Committee of the House of Representatives from 1937 until the time of his death, September 3, 1941. He was loved and revered by every member of the Congress. In him, one beheld a perpetuation of the traditions of the Republic. It brought forth the sentiment expressed in the caption of this paragraph "So Young Our Republic". It stretched over the lives of but five men who service overlapped and was continuous from the day when the first Continental Congress met in 1774 until the 77th Congress of today. Abraham Baldwin of Georgia who was a member of the original continental Congress in 1774 was still a member when Henry Clay of Kentucky entered the Senate in 1806. Alexander Stephens of Georgia first entered Congress in 1843 and served with Clay for a number of years. Stephens remained a member until 1882. "Uncle Joe" Cannon of Illinois was elected to Congress in 1873 and served for 8 years with Stephens. Edward Taylor came to Congress in 1909 when Joseph Cannon was the Speaker. He served actively, usefully, and with distinction until the day of his passing early last month. Thus in the lives of five men of the Republic we saw the link of perpetuation. Again "So Young Our Republic".