

TRANSCRIPTION

Mrs. M. A. Thomas Wrote to Governor Darden, August 14, 1942

Glen Allen, Va.
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Gov. Colgate D. Darden
Richmond, Va.

Dear Sir:

May I bother you for a few minutes for some information that I believe you can help me with?

I live on a small farm and usually raised quite a bit of vegetables and I can a considerable lot. This year I have above average garden and will can the vegetables to preserve them from waste and will I'm sure have much more than enough for my family needs.

As I will have more than my needs and I feel if I do have more it is only the patriotic and right thing to do, is to give it to our armed Services. I'm canning as much as possible for this special reason.

I have two sons in the Service, one in Coast Artillery, Anti aircraft and another son a volunteer in the Engineers Corp. Too me it seems a small thing to present canned vegetables but this is the only way I feel I can personally help.

Sir, what I would like to know is whether the Army will accept? I realize they have to be very strict about what the boys eat and I sure hope so as my two sons are in there and have to eat. If they will accept this from me will you please tell me who to get in touch with and where?

Thank you for reading this and please let me hear from you at your convenience.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs M. A. THOMAS

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