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**Download 20 Books About Victory Gardens for \$2.00 each**

Seattle, Washington — April 5, 2023 — Dan Youra, owner of Youra Media in Washington State, announces the reprint of twenty books, originally printed more than one hundred years ago, about the skills of backyard gardening and the preservation of food.

The collection of twenty books is branded [\*Victory Garden Books\*](#) because the situation is not unlike that during World War I and II, when citizens grew food at home during the national emergencies to support the war efforts in Europe and the Pacific.

Now, instead of supporting a war effort, “Victory Gardens” (also known as “War Gardens”) are needed to help citizens learn the lost skills of growing and preserving food for themselves and their neighbors. With current challenges to the world’s food supply from war, climate change, and broken supply chains, the national emergency is to support peoples’ efforts to feed one’s family and friends.

The twenty books sell for \$2.00 each. They are sold as electronic downloads, retaining the old style fonts of the early 20th Century and the style of printing from the pre-World War I period. A person can download all twenty books for a total of forty dollars. The total number of pages is

approximately 3,000 pages, which can be stored on a person's computer, a thumb drive, or on a smart phone.

Youra has published books for forty years. He knows copyright laws and he assures customers, who download the century-old books, that there are no active copyrights on the old books. Copyrights have expired, books are in collections at the Library of Congress, and publishers are out of business.

The two oldest backyard gardening books in the collection are [\*Window Gardening\*](#) (1889) and [\*How To Keep a Window Garden\*](#) (1885). The practice of growing edible plants in south facing windows 135 years ago is an inspiration to folks today to plant their window sills to supplement the food in their cupboard and save money on the food budget.

The common knowledge of cultivating home gardens was lost during the twentieth century, when families left the farms for the cities, when supermarkets replaced the vegetable patch, and when Big Agriculture replaced barnyard manure with industrial chemicals.

[\*Gardening Indoors and Under Glass\*](#) (1912) by F. F. Rockwell presents in 266 pages ways to build hotbeds, cold frames, and small greenhouses. Rockwell's larger book with 332 pages is [\*Home Vegetable Gardening\*](#) (1911).

Two of the eight books on preserving harvests are [\*Home Canning and Drying of Vegetables and Fruits\*](#) (1918) with 38 pages and [\*War Gardening and Home Storage of Vegetables\*](#) (1919) with 36 pages.

A valuable book about raising animals is [\*Cyclopedia of Farm Animals a\*](#) 788-page book, published in 1922.

Recipe books in the collection are of special value to modern families seeking their ancestors' lost knowledge — the [\*National Course in Home Economics\*](#), which is the book in the collection with the most pages, namely 660, printed in 1917 and [\*Cooks In Clover\*](#) with 176 pages printed in 1889.

The collection includes two books on children in gardens: [\*The Children' Garden\*](#) (1904) 44 pages and [\*Children And Gardens\*](#) (1908) 220 pages.

The sources of the books are private collections, regional and local libraries, and the Library of Congress. The copyrights on the books have expired.

The full collection of twenty [\*Victory Garden Books\*](#) is accessible online at [VictoryGardenBooks.com/](http://VictoryGardenBooks.com/).

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SAMPLE BOOK: 1917

- 660p Victory Garden  
Books "Full of  
Recipes"

## *Cyclopedia of Farm Animals*

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