Trucks and Busses Soon Under ODT

Direct Government control over the use of virtually all trucks, busses, taxicabs and similar commercial vehicles will be established November 15 by Joseph B. Eastman, Director of Defense Transportation, it was announced late Tuesday afternoon.

The control will be exercised by feans of a certificate system, with certificates of necessity governing the maximum mileage or the minimum loads of the vehicles covered. Without a certificate an operator will not be able to buy tires or gasoline, even in the unrationed area.

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Mr. Eastman explained the purphasizing that the present supply of trucks, busses and the like is limited and that existing equipment and tires must be made to last as long as possible.

The chief effect of the order, according to Mr. Eastman's associates will be to give the Office of Defense Transportation a sure method of enforcing the conservation orders it already has issued.

The scope of the program which Mr. Eastman is undertaking is indicated by his estimate that in the United States there are approximately 4,890,000 non-military trucks, 154,000 busses and "at least" 50,000 taxicabs. The program does not apply, it was made plain to private passenger cars.

KEEP YOUR CHIN UP IN THE FACE OF BAD NEWS

The following are examples of news items passed on to the public We can lose this war—strikes hinder production—monthly purchase of war bonds falls below quota—British planes said to be superior to our planes for night bombing—public refuses to adapt self to wartime rationing—Axis subs sink too many merchant ships—Jap Zeros outclimb our planes—Congress at odds on certain draft questions—married men to be called upon—shortage of oil.

Oh yes, there is plenty of bad news thrown at us, but I recall a bit of American history that I was taught in school: This country was at war with England, greatly outnumbered, and the people of that day had their share of bad news, too—the Continental Army laid down its arms to go home to harvest—our navy was a farce at the start—etc. But we came out on top.

Now I don't say, "just keep smug. But I do say, "Just do your best and when you hear a lot of bad news, just keep your chin up and keep doing your best with the feeling in your heart, that come what may, we are going to win this war.—We can lose, but we won't.

NO EXTRA GASOLINE WILL BE ALLOWED

No extra gasoline will be issued to any person who has used up his original rations in less than the proper time, the Ratioing Board stated yesterday. This applies to everyone including defense workers, salesmen, maintenance men and anyone else. Most supplementary ration books have been issued for a three month's period, of which only a little over one month has expired. Drivers should now have practically two months' supply of gas, and they must make their supplies last until that period has expired, for no additional gas will be authorized.

Ample public notice was given when additional ration books were issued, that those rations would have to last for the full period, and if anyone has wasted his gas in unauthorized driving, he will have to suffer; otherwise, the Board would be rewarding the unpartiotic at the expense of those who are doing their duty. At a time when salesmen are being denied gas needed to to make their living, the Board will not give extra gas to those who use it either carelessly or improperly. If anyone quits his job on the ground that he cannot get to work because he has used up his gas sooner than he should have, and the case comes to the attention of the Board, it will be referred to the appropriate Draft Board for action.

The members of the Board realize that some wasters may use up their gas and that their inability to drive to work may cause inconvenience. But in the long run production will be increased, and public confidence in rationing will be improved more by supporting those who use their gasoline carefullyand legitimately than by rewarding those who waste it.

The Boards in many cases have investigated cases in which gasoline has been improperly authorized. Up to the present time hearings have been held, as a resulf of which a substantial number of books has been taken up. In suspicious cases the matter has been referred to the State Office of Price Administration for prosecution or other action.

If anyone knows of persons who have improperly obtained Ration Books, the Board will be glad to have information from them so that appropriate action may be taken.

Arthur Summers of Grasonville, age 51, died at the Cambridge Hospital Tuesday, August 25. He had been a life-long resident of Grasonville, and leaves a father, John E. Summers to mourn his demise.

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A Plan to Protect Agriculture After This War

For years the tragic results of the expansion of food-producing acreage during World War I has haunted American agriculture. Every farmer, as a matter of patriotism, interrupted his rotation of crops to produce food and more food for our armies and our Allies. Now again in World War II, to feed our soldiers and our Allies and to serve the special demands of war industry, we are dislocating our normal production as a matter of patriotic service.

It seems plain that by the end of this war American farms will have created a tremendous surplus production power which ordinary peacetime requirements will not absorb. By the end of 1942 our overall average increase production over the average for the last 10 years will be more than 21 per cent. How then can American agriculture side-step a post-war farm tragedy even worse than that following World War I?

Experiments in Rubber and Other Products.

Our Government is now experimenting with domestic sources for rubber. Some sixty thousand acres are devoted to the production of guayule and its possibilities as a source of domestic rubber. Emergency plants for the production of thousands of tons of synthetic rubber from oil and alcohol are now springing into production.

We have learned how to make paper from slash pine and starch from potatoes. We are learning how to raise medicinal herbs which we formerly imported.

Denied the use of kapok which we imported from the East Indies and used in life preservers, we have discovered that the floss from milkweed makes better life preservers than kapok ever did. Factories have been built and several thousand acres are now devoted to raising milkweed intensively.

Already we are producing tung oil successfully. Thousands of acres will be needed before we can supply even our present domestic market.

Luckily, we have at hand the National Farm Chemurgic Council, an organization of research chemists from our several industries who compare notes and gain new enthusiasm in the research for new uses of old crops and new crops which can be cultivated in America. Our government has established regional research laboratories.

More than fifteen thousand different kinds of plants grow in the natural state in the United States. We use less than three hundred of these plants. Farm chemurgy will not be complete, nor the post-war problem of agriculture solved until every plant is re-examined in the light of modern science and made to serve its part in contributing to the comfort, happiness and security of our America of the future.

A Plan That Deserves Support.

The United States Senate is considering a plan which will require the use of 20 per cent of war profits during the war for the purchase of Recovery Bonds by each company in order to have available the necessary cash to quickly change their business and industrial plants back to peace-time activities at the close of the war and to adjust the employment of their normal number of factory workers.

This percentage of war profits could also be used in a broad plan of research by industrial chemists to develop new uses for products of the farm by our domestic industry. If our industry has the knowledge and the money in hand to convert an all-out war effort to peacetime production, maintain employment and launch the new products discovered by science, we have a reasonable chance to absorb our farm surplus even in the post-war period.

Depression hit our rural areas longer and harder than our industrial areas. Our hope for the security, happiness and prosperity of Rural America is at stake. If we can develop this practical plan for taking care of our surplus in the after war period, we can go forward unafraid in an all-out production effort for the winning of this war and in providing the food necessary for starving people in the after war period. We will know that we have provided an ever-expanding America with new crops and new uses.

Worth thinking about.

Agriculture and Labor

"Agriculture has excellent reasons to take concern for the welfare of labor," says Wheeler McMillen. "The situation after the war is over will be of particular importance to farmers. Men earning good wages full time are much better customers than men without jobs. Men steadily employed under satisfactory conditions are far less likely than men without work to become the prey of men who agitate for strange kinds of government. Agriculture ought not, therefore, to develop hostility toward labor and toward labor organizations as such. A wiser course would be to try to use agriculture's influence for correction of those abuses which do no good either to laborers, farmers or the nation."

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