IMPORTANT NEWS

On The HOME-FRONT

GAS FOR VICTORY GARDENERS:

Victory gardeners planning to cultivate plots away from their homes will be eligible for extra rations of gosoline this summer, if they can show need for extra mileage, the OPA has announced. Mileage rationing regulations are amended to provide up to 300 miles for six months for victory garden travel, if the car owner:

(1) Is regularly cultivationing a tract of vegetables of 1,500 square feet or more.

(2) Cannot get to his garden any other way and shows his labor is necessary to it.

(3) Arranges, if possible, to share his car with other gardeners.

JOB RECORDS OF HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

To help high school students find their proper place in the Army (or in war industry), each one will soon be asked to make a card record of his school and job history. These "educational experience summary record" cards will contain such information as a student's academic standing and achievement, vocational and pre-induction preparation, wage earning experience, aptitudes, significant hobbies and social security number.

WAR EXPENDITURES-1918 and 1943:

In 1918 American war expenditures were only 18-½ billion dollars - in 1943 they will exceed 100 billion dollars. These figures show sharply the difference in cost between the last war and this one. There were four Liberty and one Victory Loan drives in the last war, with a total goal of less than 19 billion dollars-, but to finance the present war the people of the United States must raise about 70 billion dollars before the end of this year. In that war, our task was chiefly to fortify a line of trenches in France -- in this war we must equip and supply our armies on all the far-flung battle-fields of the world.

CHANGE IN TIRE RATION:

Effective May 1, passenger car drivers with mileage rations exceeding 240 monthly are eligible for any grade of new tire when their present casings are not recappable. Formerly, Grade 1 casings were reserved principally for drivers with mileage rations over 560 monthly.

CASUALTY TOTALS:

Announced casualties of the United States armed forces from the outbreak of the war to date (whose next of kin have been notified) total 78,235. This total, arrived at by combining war and Navy reports, includes-,dead 12,123-, wounded 15,049-, missing 40,-435-, prisoners of war 10,628.

PROTECT CHILD WORKER'S HEALTH:

Estimating that more than 3,000,000 boys and girls between 14 and 18 will hold full or part time jobs this summer, Katherine F. Lenroot, Chief of the Children's Bureau of the U. S. Department of Labor, has issued a warning that the health of young workers must be protected. She said thousands of boys and girls under 18 are being permitted to work excessive hours, often late at night, to the detriment of their school work.

"They Give Their Lives—You Lend Your Money"
U. S. Treasury Department

REPLACEMENT FOR TRACTOR TIFES

Replacement tires can be obtained for farm tractors when there are no recapping facilities available, the OPA has announced. Formerly, no replacements could be had for tires which were in recappable condition.

"LAY AWAY" OF SHOES:

Shoe dealers cannot hold or lay away shoes for any customers beyond the end of the period in which a current War Ration Shoe Stamp is valid unless they receive the shoe ration stamps in advance, the OP has announced. Another amendment provides that house slippers and moccasins designed for indoor use only are not rationed.

GROUP RIDING INCREASES:

Group riding has made its greatest gains in rural industrial areas, State surveys show. In these sections, the average number of persons per car increased from 1.77 a year ago to 3.17 now. The average number of persons per car throughout the country has to 2.66.

CEILINGS ON WASHING MACHINES:

Maximum prices for used washing machines sold by dealers, auctioneers and individuals have been established by OPA. Rates for rental of used washers limit prices to $4.50 for the first month and $3.50 monthly thereafter, regardless of the type of machine rented.

WAR-TIME DAIRY BARN, FENCES, GATES:

Plans for a dairy barn that uses a schools, 25 cents per copy in quantities of four or more.

SHOES FOR NURSES AIDES:

Nurses aides who need nurse's shoes and have no Stamp 17 of their own, or of members of their families, may obtain a special shoe stamp by applying to their local ration board. If Stamp 17 is spent for nurse's white shoes and shoes are needed for general wear, further application may may be made to the board.

MORE NURESS NEEDED

More than 65,000 women must be added to the Nursing Corps if civilian health is to be maintained in 1943. There is a drive on to enroll qualified young women in June in the 1,300 nursing schools attached to the country's leading hospitals.

FUEL OIL RATION:

Householders in the 3' fuel oil rationed states and the District of Columbia will receive their next season's ration coupons for heating oil through the mails. Approximately one-third of next season's coupons may be used beginning July 1, so tanks may be filled during the summer season. Rations for smaller homes may be increased.

PARTS FOR TRUCKS, BUSSES:

Contrary to general opinion, owners of trucks and busses do not need a preference rating to buy replacement part. If the needed part is not available locally, a purchase order may be placed with a dealer.

TUNA CATCH:

The tuna catch for the first quarter of 194' was approximately 40 percent greater than in the same period of 1942 but is still considerably below normal, the Coordinator of Fisheries has announced. This year Government requirements will take 60 percent of the tuna pack.

"I AM AN AMERICAN DAY":

"I Am An American Day" will be celebrated throughtout the nation on Sunday, May 16, in honor of new citizens. Arrangements for celebrations are in the hands of local communities.

"OUR ARMED FORCES":

An orientation book for high school students planning to enter one of the armed services has been published by the U. S. Office of Education in cooperation with the U. S. Infantry Association. The book, "Our Armed Forces", gives the history, background, and traditions of the Army, Navy, Coast Guard and the Infantry Journal 1115, 17th Street Northwest, Washington, D. C. The price is 35 cents per copy-, or, to students, teachers and

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Egyptian Demands

Manganese was much in demand in the days of Egyptian civilization, as a source of purple color for glass and glazed objects.

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Chile's Iodine

Chile is the largest producer of iodine, contributing about 90 per cent of the total world production, the bureau of mines reports.

This Week Of The War Showing Progress Of The All Out Effort

Allied forces in Tunisia have taken most of the important hills protecting the way into the cosatal plain around Tunis in a full-scale offensive that has brought the British about 20 miles from Tunis. The British Eighth Army has advanced from the south against stiff resistance, as the Americans have come within 25 miles of Bizerte. Thousands of land mines planted by the retrtating Germans were cleared by United States forces as they captured Sidi Nsir.

The battle line which stretched from Djebel Dardyss on the north, where the Americans took three hills, to Djebel Mdeker in the south, was rapidly contracting as the Axis armies retreated under the heavy infantry and tank attacks of American, British and French Troops. Although there are no signs of collapse, the enemy has been forced to make withdrawals from his most heavily fortified positions, and the Allies have kept up destructive air raids on troop concentrations and ammunition dumps behind the enemy's lines. In a spectacular battle, allied aircraft intercepted a convoy of 20 huge Merseburg-323 transports each capable of carrying 120 men and shot down all of them.

General Eisenhower's headquarters reported that Axis losses in Tunisia from January 1, to April 15, included: 66,000 killed, wounded or captured: 250 tanks, 3,000 vehicles, and 425 guns destroyed or captured: 1,754 planes destroyed, 278 probably destroyed, and 586 damaged - - - a total of 2,1517 put out of commission. Losses at sea were also great. It was reported that a single United Nations submarine flotilla had sunk 85 Axis ships in the Mediterranean since November 8.

IN THE PACIFIC

Canadian airmen joined Americans in raids on Kiska, strong outpost of the Japanese, which was bombed a total of 142 times in April. The largest of the Ellice islands, Funafuti, has been occupied by the United States forces. It is about 450 miles south of the Gilbert group where the Japanese have heavy fortifications. Date of the occupation was not revealed, although it was announced that the marines had taken the island without resistance.

Chungking declared that the Japanese have used poison gas against Chinese troops in one sector, and that the Japanese had advanced as far as Yukiakwen in southeastern Shansi.

OTHER DEVELOPEMENTS

The Polish Cabinet meeting in London, drafted a reply to Russia which was couched in moderate language and left the way clear for the British and Americans to attempt to restore normal relations between the Societs and the Polish government in exile. Russian servered diplomatic relations with Premier Sikorski's government over a German propaganda story that the Reds had executed 10,000 Polish officers.

Saboteurs are active in Europe. Norweigan patroits blew up four ships and a lighthouse in Oslo Harbor. It was reported that an attempt had been made on the life of the Nazi Governor of Warsaw and that there had been a wave of attacks on Nazi soldiers in Greece.

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Mikhailovitch Still Busy

One of the latest exploits of the Jugoslav patriot army under General Mikhailovitch was to put the Belgrade to Zagreb railway out of commission for a week.

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