IMPORTANT NEWS

On The HOME-FRONT

GASOLINE—"A" book coupons No. 6, good for four gallons each, becomes valid May 22 outside the eastern gasoline shortage area. Within the east coast shortage area "A" book coupons No. 5, good for three gallon each, must last through July 21.

SUGAR—Coupon No. 12, good for 5 lbs. Must last throug May 31. Coupon No. 13 becames valid June 1, and will be good for 5 lbs. through August 15. Coupons No. 15 and 16 became good May 24 for 5 lbs. each for home canning purposes. Housewives may apply to their local boards for additional rations if necessary.

COFFEE—Stamp No. 23 (1 lb.) good through May 30.

FUEL OIL—Period 5 coupons valid in all zones until September 30.

SHOES—No. 17 stamp in War Ration Book One good for one pair through June 15. Stamp No. 18 (1 pr.) will become valid June 16.

MEATS, ETC.—Red stamps E, F, G, H, J remain valid through May.

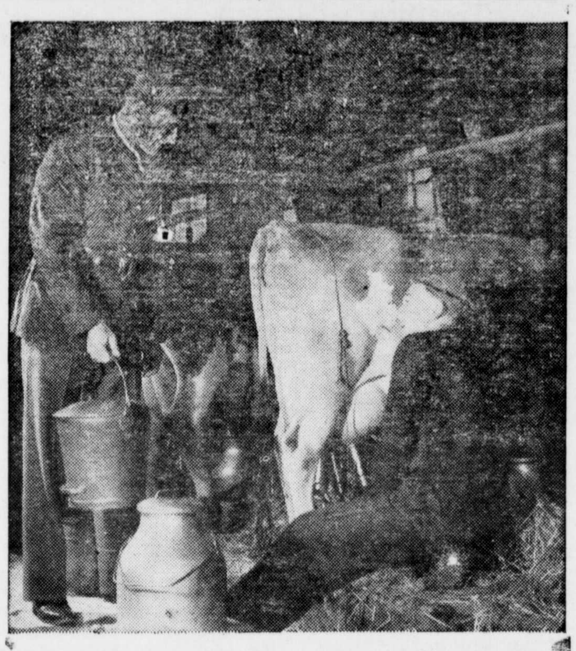
PROCESSED FOODS—Blue stamps G, H, J remain valid through June 7. K,, L, M became valid May 24.

DESTROY EXPIRED RATION STAMPS: Housewives are urged to destroy all expired red or blue stamps to help guard against black markets in food. Reports to OPA indicate that many storekeepers have asked their customers for expired stamps, and in turn have used them to buy more food from wholesalers. Because foods bought at wholesale with these stamps can be sold at retail without these points, every expired stamp given to a storekeeper is a potential contribution to an illegal market.

CANNING SUGAR: Sugar for home canning can be obtained by using stamps 15 and 16 in War Ration Book One, instead of "sugar allowance coupons" as previously announced. Each stamp is worth five pounds. Consumers who require more than ten pounds per person for canning will apply to their local ration boards for an additional allowance.

OCR TO SUPPLY FARMERS NEEDS: The newly-created Office of Civilian Requirements, War Production Board has worked out an emergency farmers' supply program which will quickly make availbale to farmers some 50 items essential in the production of food. The procedure will enable a farmer to buy reasonable amounts of needed items directly from his dealer without complicated forms. Materials to be made available under the program include adjustable wrenches, agricultural forks, auger bits, barbed wire, clevises, dehorning saws, fence pliers, garden hoes, batteries, motors, grain scoups, grease guns, harness hardware, horse collars, nails, neck yokes, poultry netting, cold chisels, hog rings, knives, and many other products.

It Takes Milk To Make Strong Soldiers



Hold that pail carefully, Private Horton! If you spill it, some American soldier will not get the 374 quarts of milk that he needs in 1943. Charles Stiles, a teen-age farm boy, is doing his best to help meet the 1943 milk production goal of 57 BILLION QUARTS.

APPLICATIONS FOR RATION BOOK 3: Applications for War Ration Book No. 3, which will provide stamps to replace those now running out in existing books, are now being distributed by letter carriers. Each application is good for a single individual or an entire family. Consumers will fill out and return application cards to OPA mail centers between June 1 and June 10. OPA centers will mail books to applicants.

ICE CREAM: Retailers cannot force their customers to buy an equal amount of sherbet or any other frozen confection to obtain bulk or packaged ice cream, OPA and WFA have emphasized. his requirement is a violation of the prohibition against tie-in sales under the general maximum price regulation.

FARMERS FIRST FOR GAS: Any person in the east coast shortage area using gasoline for non-highway farm purposes will be given preference by a recent order of the Petroleum Administrator. The requirements of any person who presents valid E, R, or bulk coupons for motor fuel for non-highway farm uses will receive first consideration by all suppliers. A 10 day inventory restriction on fuel oil has also been removed, to permit stocks to be built up in preparation for next winter.

USED INNER TUBES ARE RATION FREE: Used inner tubes for passenger car or truck tires can now be purchased without a ration certificate. It is estimated that there are about 765,000 used passenger car tubes and 225,000 used truck tubes now idle in dealers stocks. All rationing regulations have been removed on used tubes to help conserve the supply of new ones.

FURLOUGH ON INDUCTION: The War Department has authorized extension from seven days to fourteen days of the furlough period between the day of induction and the date men must report for duty. This change will be made in all commands not later than July 1. After July 1, but before September 1 the period will be increased from fourteen days to twenty-one days.

STOVES TO BE RATIONED: Heating and cooking stoves using coal, wood, oil or gas as fuel will be placed under rationing regulations late in June. After that time a purchase certificate from a local ration board must be presented before a stove may be purchased. Certificates will be issued on the basis of need.

MEAT PROCESSED WITHOUT POINTS: A recent OPA ruling permits farmers and consumers to have meats and fats smoked, cured, rendered, frozen, packaged or otherwise processed. No points need be transferred, but the processor must keep adequate records.

CHECKING EGG SHORTAGE: No more shell eggs may be kept in storage after June 15, the War Food Administration says, except to fill government contracts or to provide for a small "working inventory." Putting eggs in storage has been prohibited since May 20, when all eggs in storage were reserved for government purchases.

GET 50 GALLONS OF GAS ANY TIME: Farmers will benefit from a change made in Petroleum Administrative Order No. 4 which allows bulk deliveries of gasoline in quantities of 50 gallons or more, to be made at any time. This will be particularly helpful to farmers who drive to town after work and buy gasoline in steel drums of 50-gallons or more capacity.

POULTRY PRICE VIOLATIONS: More poultry price violators are facing OPA enforcement proceedings. Between April 15 and May 15 court actions were started against another 113. Injunctions to restrain sellers from over-charging were asked in 84 cases. The remainder were criminal actions.

SCOUTING FOR SCRAP: More than a million boy scouts and cub scouts will tramp the woods and valleys of America this summer on a new kind of scouting expedition. They will be exploring for heavy scrap iron that can later be brought in to collection points. Overnight camps will permit the boys to cover a wider territory and to carry some light scrap back to collection trucks.

MORE RADIO BATTERIES: To bring relief to farmers in non-electrified areas of the nation, production of radio batteries has been boosted to 425,000 a month, the consumers durable goods division of WPB has announced. If the present rate of production is continued over a twelve-month period, normal requirements for the 3,200,000 radios estimated to be on farms will be met.

PUBLIC EXCEEDING SPEED LIMIT: Recent checks in 11 states showed average speeds as high as 47 miles an hour, the Public Roads Administration has announced. Speeds approximated the 35-mile limit only in Maine, Minnesota, North Carolina and Oklahoma, except that in Minnesota the average speed of buses was 45 miles per hour. Earlier this year, speed counts showed national averages of 37 miles an hour for passenger cars, 35 for trucks, and 37 for busses. The present national average cannot be accurately determined until additional reports are received.

GUARD AGAINST CARBON MONOXIDE: Because the hazards of carbon monoxide poisioning have increased greatly with the shortages of certain fuels, the U. S. Bureau of Mines has published a circular describing home protective measures to minimize dangers from this gas and methods of treating persons affected by it. A colorless, odorless, and tasteless gas, carbon monoxide is deadly when inhaled with an insufficient supply of oxygen.

SALMON SEASON OPENS: Salmon fishing—which will contribute 5,500,000 cases of high-protein food to the nation's supply—has started in Alaskan waters. The total pack is expected to exceed last year's by at least 10 per cent.

Squill Kills Rats

An onionlike plant that grows wild along the Mediterranean coast produces the safest rat poison known—red squill—says a statement from the department of agriculture.

Coffee, Tea Consumed

Sixty-five billion cups of coffee are consumed annually in the United States. That doesn't surprise you. But have you realized that 20,000,000,000 cups of tea are also consumed annually in this country. Tea drinking has increased 13 per cent in 10 years. It is said you make from 150 to 200 cups of strong tea from a pound of tea costing 50 cents,

What You Buy With WAR BONDS

Refrigerators are out for the duration. Manufacturers have now tooled their plants for production of war materials. Common-sense folk, however, are saving now, not spending, and building up a fund for purchase of refrigerators and other domestic needs through investment in **U. S. War Bonds.**

Your Money put into **War Bonds** today will bring you back **$4 for $3** at maturity. So start **saving** for those domestic needs when you will be permitted to buy them. Join the **Payroll Savings Plan** at your office or factory and let's all **"Top that Ten Percent."** *U. S. Treasury Department*

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