IMPORTANT NEWS

On The HOME-FRONT

GASOLINE—"A" book coupons No. 7 good for four gallons each outside the East Coast Shortage area, must last through September 21. Within the shortage area "A" book coupons No. 6, good for three gallons each are valid July 22. "B" and "C" coupons cut to two and one-half gallons in twelve of the Northeastern states of the shortage area. "B" and "C" coupons good for three gallons in the remaining five states of the Eastern shortage area.

All gasoline coupons in the possession of car owners must be endorsed with the owner's license number and state of registration.

SUGAR— Stamp No. 13 good for 5 lbs. through August 15. Stamp Nos. 15 and 16 are good through October 31 for 5 lbs. each for home canning purposes. Housewives may apply to their local ration boards for more if necessary.

COFFEE—Stamp No. 22 (1 lb.) good through August 11.

FUEL OIL—Period 5 coupons valid in all zones through September 30. Period 1 coupons in new fuel oil rations become valid July 1 and are good for ten gallons each.

Occupants of oil heated homes are urged to return their applications for next year's fuel oil rations to their War Price and Ration Boards promptly.

SHOES—Stamp No. 18 (1 pr.) is valid through October 31.

MEAT, ETC.,—Red Stamps P, Q, R, and S expire July 31. Red Stamp T is valid July 25, expires August 31; U is valid August 1, expires August 31; V is valid August 8, expires August 31; W is valid August 15, expires August 31.

To Equalize Gasoline Rations

Equalizing of gasoline rationing throughout the United States east of the Rocky Mountains will be recommended by the Petroleum Administration for War within sixty days. This action, aimed to spread the burden of war equally among all people, will probably result in some increase in gasoline rations in the East and some decrease in the Middle West and Southwest, according to Pertoleum Admisitrator Ickes. It is not anticipated that there will be enough gasoline for driving which is not necessary.

Corn Needed For War Industries

Farmers who sell their corn to a country elevator buying for the Commodity Credit Corporation before August 10 are guaranteed extra payments to cover any increase in corn prices between the date they sell and October 31. Marvin Jones,, War Food Administrator, has commended farmers who sell corn to relieve shortages in war industries and for feed, and has announced that more than 6 million bushels have been purchased since July 1.

Home Canning Jars

More home canning jars and covers were made in the first five months of this year than in the entire year of 1942, in anticipation of an unprecedented volume of home canning. Housewives will profit from a study of directions that come with each box of jars and covers, for the new three-piece canning top-glass lid, metal screw band, and rubber ring—must be used differently from other types of covers. Quality of jars and covers produced this year, says WPB, is high.

Soldiers Get Jobs

Men discharged from the armed services because of disabilities have a direct contact with the Veterans Employment representative in their own home town through a division of the United States Employment Service. Every attempt is made to inform the veteran of his reemployment rights under the Selective Service Act, help him get special training through the Vetertans Administration, and to help him get a job in actual war production work.

Return Empty Bottles

Empty beverage bottles should be returned as soon as possible, says WPB's Conservation Division, to relieve the unnecessary drain on essential war production that results when new bottles must be made. All old beverage bottles can be put back into use, because they are completely cleaned and sterilized at the bottling plants.

No New Tires For Spares

New tires will not be rationed as spares in the next few months except to such persons as firemen and doctors, OPA announced recently. Drivers that do not have a fifth tire usable for a spare occasionally, may get a certificate for a used or recapped tire for that purpose.

Need Turkeys For Soldiers

Because turkey will be the main course of Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Day dinners on every battlefront, American turkey raisers have been asked by the WFA to supply about 10 million pounds of turkey meat during August and September for shipping to armed forces overseas. The public is asked to refrain from eating turkey for a few weeks until this urgent demand for the armed forces has been met. Later in the fall civilians will have a supply of turkey approaching an all-time record production.

Home Repairs Are Essential

Wartime restrictions on building new homes make it important that houses should be kept in good repair according to Federal Housing officials. New home building is largely restricted to war industry areas and the majority of American families must depend on their present housing for the duration of the war.

Price Ceiling For Hogs

A ceiling price of $14.75 per hundredweight, Chicago basis, will be set on live hogs early in August, according to the OPA. This action was concurred in by the War Food Administration. The ceiling is below the 22-year high, but is above prices which live hogs brought before 1942.

Hose Grading Not Required

Women's rayon hosiery does not have to be labeled as Grade A or Grade B, the OPA said recently, although ceiling price and gauge or needle count regulations are still in force. The choice as to whether the Grade A or B mark will be placed on rayon hose is now left to the dealer.

Oven Canning Not Recommended

Home canners have been warned against the oven method of canning food by the U. S. Department of Agriculture. Not only is oven canning slow and unsatisfactory, but it may lead to serious accidents as a result of misunderstanding of canning techniques. Disadvantages of oven canning mentioned by the USDA are: "Juice bubbles out or steams away; peaches and pears are likely to darken. For the vegetables that need high heat to kill bacteria, oven canning is not safe. Even though the oven goes to 250 F. or higher, food inside the glass jars stays at about the boiling point." And the boiling point of water 212 F., is not sufficient heat to kill dangerous bacteria in a reasonable time in beans, peas, corn, and other non-acid vegetables and meat. For canning these, the Department recommends only a steam pressure canner and for fruits and tomatoes the boiling water bath.

War Prisoners In U. S.

Prisoners of war interned in the U. S. total 65,058, the War Department has announced. Of these, 45,355 are Germans, 19,641 are Italians, and 62 are Japanese. The Japanese are interned at Camp McCoy, Wisconsin, and the others in 37 prisoner of war camps situated in 20 states.

Postpone Induction of Students

Induction of students 18 or 19 years old may be postponed until the end of their academic year, the Selective Service Bureau of the War Manpower Commission has announced, if their call to the armed forces comes during the last half of a school year. This applies to students in high schools and similar institutions..

Dry Onion Prices

Maximum prices that show an increased return for the farmer over last year have been established for dry onions at the country shipper level. Existing prices at retail will not be raised—and may even be some what lower—says OPA.

Burlap Bags

Farmers who grow potatoes, and potato packers, can now buy as many burlap bags as they did in 1941, according to a recent ruling by the WPB. Previously they could buy only half that amount.

How To Hard Surface Machine Parts

How to make new and worn machinery parts last longer by a method known as hard-surfacing is described in an illustrated manual issued by the Office of Defense Transportation. Full directions are given to welders for repairing tractor, automobile, and truck and trailer parts. Copies of the manual may be obtained free from the central office in Washington or from field offices of the ODT.

Vehicle Registration Down

Although the registration of private and commercial motor vehicles in 1942 was 5½ percent less than in the peak year 1941, it exceeded the registration of 1940 by more than half a million, Public Roads Administration of Federal Works Agency reported after completing its annual compilation of motor-vehicle registration statistics.

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First Civil War Monument

The first monument ever erected for Civil war heroes is said to be the one at Everett, Mass.

Loneliest Job in Royal Canadian Air Force

FROM all appearances he might be a trapper or hunter just out of the backwoods, but he's really Flight Sergeant Harry J. Hickson of London, Ont., communications maintenance man of the Royal Canadian Air Force in bush country on the Pacific coast.

Because of the roughness of the territory over which his job takes him, Hickson has had to put aside his Air Force uniform and boots and substitute for them a pair of canvas pants, buck-skin jacket, rubber boots and peaked felt cap.

"No, I'm hardly Air Force in appearance, but the job calls for this get-up," laughed Hickson.

On second glance, it might be noticed that an Air Force badge is fastened to his cap and that the revolver strapped to his side is Air Force issue. The revolver, by the way, is used to scare off inquisitive bear or for signalling purposes.

Hickson, a quiet spoken chap, enjoys the isolated life he is living in this wild, west coast forest area.

"It's a new one on me," he said, "but you couldn't find a more interesting country and job."

For 16 years, prior to enlisting in the R.C.A.F. as a telephone cable man, Flight Sergeant Hickson worked for the Bell Telephone Company at London. His job as cable splicer took him to various parts of Ontario but never through such country as his Air Force job takes him.

Through giant Douglas fir forests, over rocky and, in winter, snow-capped mountain ranges, around picturesque lakes and through thickly-wooded valleys he hikes in every kind of weather, tending the communication lines which connect bush stations in the territory. Sometimes he works alone, other times he has a crew of men, depending on the type of job which has to be done.

Flight Sergeant Hickson joined the R.C.A.F. in June of last year at London, where his wife and four children are living at present.

Flight Sergeant Harry J. Hickson is shown, above right, with the revolver he uses for signalling or scaring away unfriendly wild life in the Canadian forests. (Upper left): After a hard day's work in the bush country, Sergeant Hickson prepares a relaxing cup of tea in traditional woodsman method.

Alaskan Trouble

Numerous wolves in the Kobi district of interior Alaska have alarmed natives so much they will not venture away from home alone.

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Stopping Use of Steel Drums

By halting the use of steel drums to pack some 200 products, the U. S. will save enough steel to build two 35,000-ton battleships and at least ten hard-hitting destroyers.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

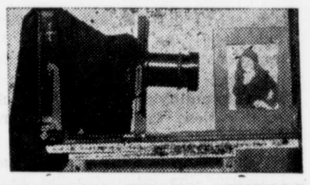
For Real Estate Only

This is to give notice that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans Court of Kent County letters of Administration on the estate of Emma L. Downey late of said county, deceased. All persons having claims against said deceased are hereby warned to file in said Court their claim against said decedent, with the vouchers thereof legally authenticated, on or before the 16th day of January 1944; they may otherwise by law, be excluded from all benefit of said estate. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment.

Given under my hand this 13th day of July, 1943.

RICHARD CARVELL
Administrator

W. PAUL JOINER
Register of Wills.



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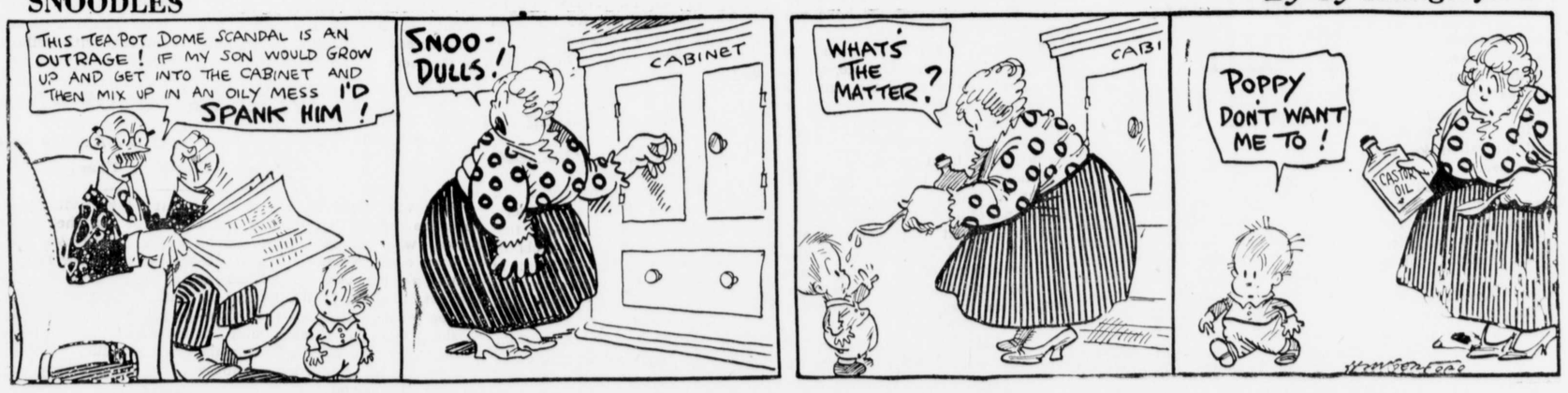

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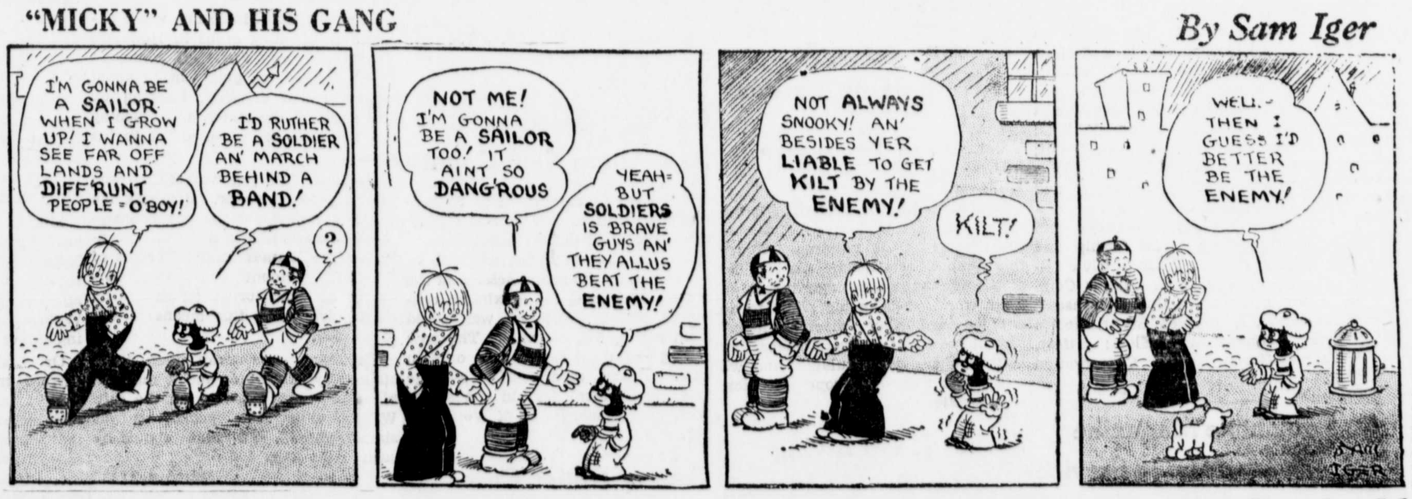

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