IMPORTANT NEWS

On The HOME-FRONT

GASOLINE—In 17 states of eastern shortage area A-6 coupons are now good. In states outside the eastern shortage area A-8 coupons became good September 22.

FUEL OIL—Period 5 coupons in old rations remain good through September 30. Period 1 coupons in new rations are good through December.

SUGAR—Stamp No. 14 good for 5 pounds through October. Stamps Nos. 15 and 16 good for 5 pounds each for home canning through October 31.

SHOES—Stamp No. 18 good for 1 pair through October 31.

STOVES—Consumer purchases of rationed stoves must be made with certificates obtained at local War Price and Rationing Boards.

MEATS, FATS—Red stamps X, Y and Z good through October 2. Brown stamps A and B good through October 2. Brown stamp C becomes good September 26 and remains good through October 30.

PROCESSED FOODS—Blue stamps U, V and W expire October 20.

Autumn Arrives September 23

Autumn will begin in the northern hemisphere and spring in the southern hemisphere at 6:12 p. m., eastern wartime, September 23, the U. S. Naval Observatory announced.

Burlap Bag Quotas Removed

Quotas on farmers' and packers' purchases of new burlap bags for packing certain agricultural products have been removed for the balance of 1943, "Certain agricultural products" includes, but is not limited to, beans, cotton, feed, flour, meal, fruits, potatoes, vegetables, and tobacco. The restriction on the bag sizes permitted for certain commodities has been relaxed to allow an additional size for each of two types of seed. A ½-bushel bag is allowed for hybrid seed corn, a 3-bushel bag, for cottonseed. These are in addition to the sizes previously permitted.

No Dates On Kerosene Coupons

Persons who use small amounts of kerosene for domestic cooking and lighting may now get renewal rations for periods longer than the six months formerly permitted. This provision of a recent OPA amendment is to reduce the number of renewal applications by the consumer and the amount of paper work performed by the rationing board. The amendment provides that rations issued for domestic cooking and lighting no longer will bear dates of issuance and expiration, and coupons may be used as long as they last. The rationing board may issue the ration for any period up to a year from date of application. The maximum ration allowed for domestic cooking has been increased to 30 gallons a month for the firsts seven persons. It was formerly 24 gallons for six or seven persons.

Approval For Use Of Gutters

Approval for use of gutters, spouting, conductor pipes, and fittings in dwellings of two stories or less must be obtained from the War Production Board under a recent amendment to order M-126. Formerly this approval could be obtained through the National Housing Agency.

AMERICAN HEROES

BY LEFF



When Richard Breckenridge's submarine made a hurried dive off Japan, a hatch jammed, but he ignored the order to abandon the rapidly flooding conning tower and remained behind, desperately trying to fasten it. By succeeding, he saved vital equipment for his submarine and became the first enlisted man in the submarine service to win the Navy Cross. He was willing to give his life. How much of your income will you invest in Payroll Savings?

U. S. Treasury Department

Prices Set For Dry Beans

Sales of dry edible beans, 1943 crop, to the Food Distribution, Administration, to other country shippers, and to other governmental agencies designated in Food Distribution Order No. 45 can be made at either of two sets of prices—maximum prices established for the commodity or support prices set for specified classes lasts April b ythe War Food Administration. OPA emphasized that all other sales must be made at or below maximum prices established in Maximum Price Regulation No. 270.

Restrict Dry Onion Shipment

To insure orderly distribution for the short available supply of dry onions to the armed forces and civilians all shipments in excess of 100 pounds in the 12 principal onion producing states have been put on a permit basis by the Office of Defense Transportation and the Interstate Commerce Commission. Dry onion movements by common, contract, or private motor carriers and by rail common and contract carriers are subject to permits issued by the War Food Administration. Applicationss for permits should be made to local WFA representatives in the principal onion-producing areas—California, Colorado, Idaho, Indiania, Michigan, Minnesota, New York, Nevada, North Dakota, Oregon, Utah, and Washington.

Sugar To Save Bees

Beekeepers who are facing loss of their bees because of lack of sufficient natural food, may obtain additional sugar allotments if they are registered with OPA as industrial users. The supplemental allotment is limited to a maximum of 15 pounds per bee colony per year. Applications should be made in person or by mail to the local rationing board.

Cabbage Seed Ceiling Prices

Ceiling prices for 1942 cabbage seed have been made the same as for the 1943 crop, according to a recent OPA amendment.

Shrimp Prices Cut

Consumer prices for fresh shrimp may be 40 to 50 percent less because of a recent OPA amendment setting prices in accord with the 1942 average prices for shrimp.

Housing Down Payments Cut

Down payments required to buy housing in rent-controlled areas has been reduced from 33 1-3 percent to 20 percent. OPA amended the regulation because of easing in the housing situation.

Gasoline For School Buses

School buses in districts where school authorities have delayed in filing necessary applications or have failed to reorganize routes in accordance with the school bus conservation policy may get temporary gasoline allotments. The Office of Defense Transportation authorized this action so that school children would not lack school transportation.

Report Good Wheat Crop In Italy

In spite of the war, the Italian wheat crop this year is believed to have been as large or even larger than the pre-war average, according to the Office of Foreign Agricultural Relations of the Department of Agriculture. The 1943 crop may have amounted to as much as 280 million bushels. That estimate compares with unofficial estimates of 268 million bushels last year.

British Save Fuel

Britons have been asked by the Ministry of Fuel to be even more sparing of home comforts this winter than they were last winter, the British Information Services reported recently. By lowering room temperatures in their homes, by using less hot water, by getting along with less light, and by cutting down on fuels used in cooking, the British saved four million tons of coal in the winter of 1942-43. This year the Ministry has urged that economies be ushed further so that six million tons of coal can be saved. As was the case last winter, this winter's fuel saving in Britain will be on a voluntary basis. There will be no rationing but Britons will be expected to base their fuel consumption on a chart prepared by the Ministry of Fuel.

About Those Free Matches

If your tobacco dealer gave you free matches—the wood or the book variety—during March, 1942, when he sold you your tobacco products, he must continue to give them to you now. Sales through vending machines are included in the new OPA ruling on matches.

Anti-Freeze Distributed

To insure an ample supply of volatile anti-freeze mixtures for passenger cars in 14 Western states before cold weather sets in, WPB has ordered industrial alcohol manufacturers with national distribution to supply specified quotas to the states upon receipt of orders from dealers. Each state will receive a supply equal to one and one-half gallons per passenger car registered. States involved are: Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming.

Notification Of "Next Of Kin"

Notification of "next of kin" of naval personnel killed, missing, wounded, or captured—except where death occurs within the continental limits—is generally a telegram giving such available information as may be divulged. In case of death this telegram is confirmed by a letter from the Secretary of the Navy, conveying condolences and giving any additional details. Next of kin are also furnished data as to rights and benefits to which they are entitled. In the case of a "missing" person, the next of kin receives a letter about the continuance of allotments for insurance premiums and for dependents. If the navy receives further details of the casualty, next of kin are promptly notified.

"Gibson Girl" Aids Airmen

The "Gibson Girl" is now standard equipment on all Army Air Forces planes making overwater flights, the War Department said recently. So-called because of its hour-glass shape, the "Gibson Girl" is an automatic radio transmitter, pretuned to the international distress signal, so that all an airmen need do when forced down at sea is turn a crank which activates a mechanism to send out an SOS. Weighing about 35 pounds and unsinkable, the set is packed in a bright yellow bag which, when parachuted from a plane about to "sit down" can be easily identified on the sea.

Refugee Joins WAC

A German-born naturalized American, who fled her native land to escape the despotism of the Nazis, has enrolled as a private in the Women's Army Corps and is in training at the First WAC Training Center, Fort Des Moines, Iowa, the War Department announced recently. She is Private Lilly Sadie Gerard, of 3605 Clay St, San Francisco, Calif., who has been in the U. S. since 1936 and became a naturalized citizen in 1942. "A refugee from Hitlerism, I can think of no better way to show my gratitude for the freedom given me by the United States than by serving in the WAC," Private Gerard said.

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The week beginning October 3, 1943, has been proclaimed Fire Prevention Week by the President of the United States. "Since Pearl Harbor," he states, "the destruction caused by fire in the United States has been comparable to the damage caused by all enemy bombing over England during the first two years of the war." He points out that the loss is just as real as if it had been done by enemy bombers over America, or by saboteurs.

SOCIAL NEWS OF VISITORS IN STILL POND

Mrs. Adam Schauber, spent Tuesday with her sister in Wilmington.

Mr. and Mrs. Rlaph Copper, entertained at a six o'clock dinner in honor of their brother, Edgar Copper, M. M. IC. U. S. N. of Richmond, Va., The guests were, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Cleaver, Jr., and children of near Blacks, Edgar, after leaving Pearl Harbor in February, 1942, spent 16 months in Samoa, and returned to San Francisco, July 18th, 1943. It being his first time in six years to get back to the East Coast. He is now attending Diesel Engine School at Richmond, Va., all were delighted in seeing Edgar again and of course he was wined and dined at the homes of all his relatives while on leave.

Master Donald Price of Middletown, Del., spent the week-end with his grandmother, Mrs. Raymond Price

The many friends of Miss L. Cornelius, will be sorry to learn of her illness, at her home here. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Copper enjoyed Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hope Copper, near Cecilton.

Staff Serg. Joseph Besse, son of Mrs. Bargaret Besse has been visiting his mother and wife here. Serg. Besse and wife spent a few days with his sisters, in New York. For the past six weeks he has been taking an advance course in Trainor Flying. He left the 28th of Aug., and is now stationed in North Carolina.

Sunday guests at the home of Mr. Wm. L. Ford were his children, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Belt Townshend of Chestertown and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Ford of Crumpton.

Miss Edna K. Wroth has been enjoying the past week with Mrs. Rowland in Mechanicsburg, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. Hess Hadaway of Baltimore were guests of their daughters, here during the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. James Greenwood of Chester were visitors with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carson Greenwood.

Our Pastor and people are busy working out together a Fall Program for Still Pond Church. We will want your presence to help us and want Still Pond Church to help some oue to see the living Christ in our work. We are preparing for World Wide Communion, Sunday Oct. 3rd and we would be glad having you worship with us at this time.

The winner of the blanket from the County wide Club for this week is Mrs. Virginia Cornelius.

Miss Howard has rteurned to her work at Washington College after enjoying a pleasant vacation.

Mr. Jack Walters, visited in Baltimore the past week-end.

The Still Pond Homemakers Club held their regular monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. Ralph Copper on Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fogwell, Jr., of Galena were Sunday guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Geary.

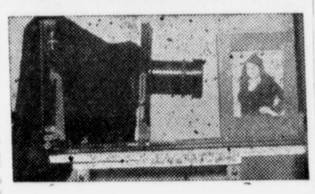
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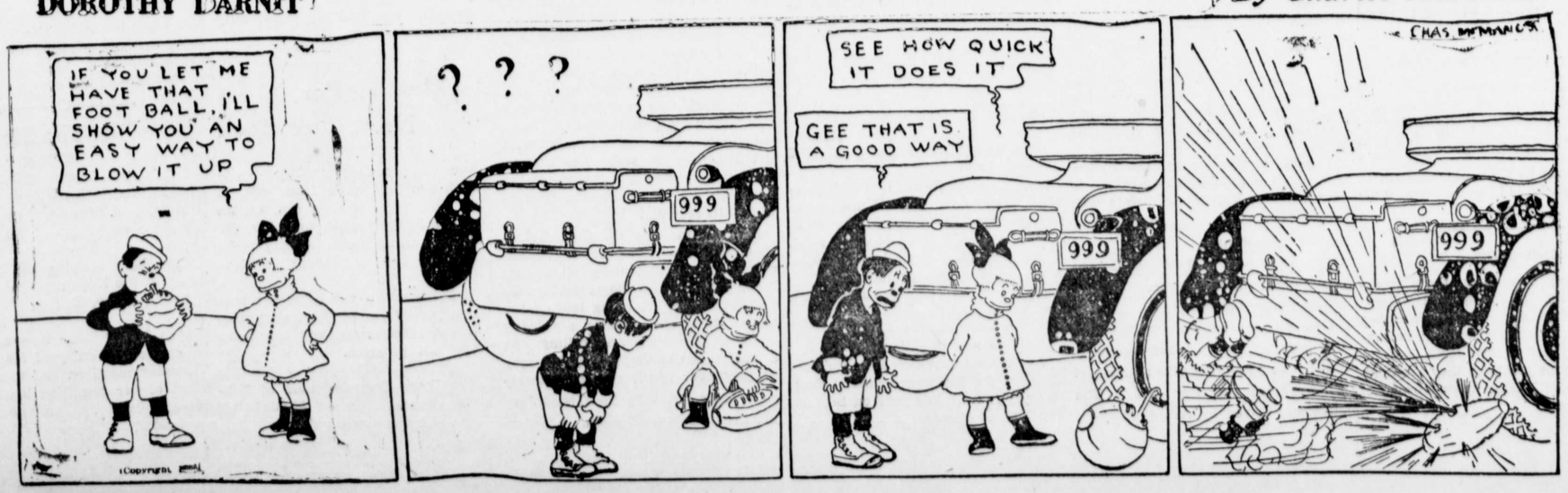
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