

Motor-Propelled Boats 16 Feet or Over Hit by Tax

Local sports fishermen owning boats 16 or more feet in length will not be required to pay a use tax on such boats provided they propel the craft exclusively with oars, according to a ruling received here today from J. W. Macfadyen, collector of internal revenue.

Any boat propelled by machinery or by sail, or by both means, measuring 16 feet or more in length and used for pleasure purposes, is subject to the tax, which became effective Feb. 1. The tax is imposed only if the boat is put in use and does not apply to boats in storage.

The collector reports that he has obtained a ruling from the commissioner of internal revenue in answer to numerous inquiries regarding boats equipped with detachable outboard motors and that such usage makes the boat subject to the tax.

The stamp tax is identical with that used on automobiles and costs \$2.09 for the five months period from Feb. 1 to June 30, when a \$5 annual tax stamp is required. This rate applies on boats up to 28 feet. Boats from 28 to 50 feet require a \$10 annual stamp, or \$4.17 for the five months period.

Forms for making application for the tax stamps may be obtained from the collector of internal revenue, 210 Custom House, Portland.

Rationing of Sugar Put Up to School Teachers

his family's copies of "war ration book No. 1" will sign an application declaring the amount of sugar in his home. On the application form will be a reminder that making false statements to any federal agency is a criminal offense carrying penalties up to \$10,000 fine or ten years' imprisonment.

Those whose family supply exceeds two pounds per person will have an appropriate number of stamps detached from the front of their books. Since each stamp will be numbered for use in 28 consecutive weeks, those lacking the first few stamps will have to use up the sugar in the cupboards before getting more.

Each stamp will entitle the bookholder to buy a specified amount of sugar, probably 12 pounds, a week. Consumers will tender stamps to the grocer along with their money, and the grocer will paste the stamps on a card which he must turn in to the wholesaler in order to replenish his own supply bins.

A primary question, which may not be answered for several months, was how additional sugar would be doled out to housewives who wish to do home canning and preserving.

Because the fruit-canning season is not imminent, OPA is leaving the question for later decision, merely promising that such sugar will be made available in plenty of time.

Price Administrator Henderson said today the government was prepared to set maximum retail prices on sugar "unless prices are voluntarily kept in bounds."

Consumers who find retail sugar prices more than one cent higher for a five-pound bag than prices were during the first week of December, 1941, should protest to storekeepers, Henderson added, commenting: "Any increase much greater than that is profiteering pure and simple."

"In this situation, scarcity is absolutely no justification for price increases. Every wholesale sugar buyer is entitled to receive during the month of February 80 per cent of the amount of sugar he received in February, 1941."

Since the United States entered the war, OPA has permitted an increase in the refiners' selling price of 20 cents a hundred pounds.

against Fort Drum, on El Fraile Island, and also pounded Fort Mills, on rocky Corregidor island, and nearby Fort Hughes.

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British shipping," the dispatch said.

Nazis Claim Sea Toll.

A British destroyer has been sunk off the English west coast by a German submarine, the Berlin command reported today, listing eight allied merchantmen totalling 48,000 tons as having been sunk by Nazi sea and air forces on both coasts of the Atlantic.

"Off the east coast of North America," the war bulletin said, "German U-boats sank six enemy merchant ships with a total displacement of 38,000 tons."

Off the English west coast, it said, German bombers sank two merchantmen aggregating 10,000 tons and scored bomb hits on five others.

Authoritative sources said the toll of ships sunk by U-boats off the American coast now had reached 55 with a total tonnage of 390,000.

Further restricting the use of food, it was announced in Rome today that no meat, eggs or cheese may be served with Saturday noon, Sunday noon or Sunday night meals in Italian restaurants.

Nazis to Increase Army. A Reuters, British news agency, dispatch from "somewhere in Europe" quoted diplomatic sources today as saying that Reichsmarshal Goering's recent visit to Italy was to get a fresh contingent of 300,000 Italian workers for service in German industry.

A Nazi campaign to recruit foreign labor was said to be in full swing in industrial districts of northeast France and around Paris.

The report said that by "combining out" factories and calling on Germans living abroad, Germany expects to have an additional 2,000,000 soldiers to throw against soviet Russia.

An army of about 30 divisions (roughly 450,000 men) was said to be in training in Saxony and Silesia for use in the spring. A large part of these troops already have gone to the eastern front, it also was said.

In some cases, veteran German troops were reported to have been withdrawn for rest behind the line in preparation for the spring.

Vichy Seen Aiding Axis.

An increasing conviction in many circles that the Vichy government's ships—its denials notwithstanding—have been conveying supplies to North Africa for use by Field Marshal Rommel's German forces brought a renewed demand in London today that any such gap in the Mediterranean blockade be plugged.

A government spokesman intimated recently that the British navy might take action soon to seal the gap.

An official source said yesterday that any such step the navy took would be in cooperation with the United States.

Searchers for One Plane Report Second Missing

SACRAMENTO, Feb. 7.—(AP)—McClellan field authorities, searching the Siskiyou mountains for a twin-motored bomber with four officers aboard which went down five days ago, reported another army plane missing in the general vicinity of Eureka today.

Army officers said two pilots, their names given only as Donohue and Dislerro, escaped injury when they made forced landings near Red Bluff and between Weaverville and Eureka yesterday, but that a third flier, identified as Pilot Riley, was still unreported.

Three observation planes took off from McClellan field today to renew the search for the bomber which has been missing in the rugged, snow-covered Siskiyou since last Tuesday.

Local Masons to Attend Ceremony at Marshfield

A delegation from the Roseburg Scottish Rite will go to Marshfield tonight to attend a ceremonial at the Masonic hall there. The Marshfield team will confer the 9th and 10th degrees on a class of candidates, which will include four applicants from Roseburg. The local candidates are John R. Montgomery, John William Robertson, Rudolph Ritzman and C. E. Reese.

Civilian Defense Police Drill Is Cancelled

The drill scheduled by the mounted patrol of civilian defense police reserves at Umpqua park Sunday was cancelled today upon order of Sheriff Cliff Thornton. The unit, however, will hold a drill Sunday, Feb. 15, if weather permits, the sheriff announced.

M. H. Skinner, Ex-Bank Head of Oregon, Dies

PORTLAND, Feb. 7.—(AP)—Mark H. Skinner, 70, state banking superintendent from 1935 to 1939, died yesterday at a local hospital after an illness of two months. He was a native of Michigan and came to Portland in 1921.

Edward Noah Funeral to Be Held Here Monday

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a. m. Monday at the Roseburg Undertaking company chapel for Edward Noah, who died at his home Friday from a self-inflicted gunshot wound. The service will be conducted by the Rev. John Barney. Interment will be in the Soldiers home cemetery.

Four Persons Perish in California Floods

Taylor's scream. He hurled himself at the door, broke it open and helped the mother and baby to safety. By that time, his automobile had been buried under the river of mud.

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Air Force of Million Ordered for U. S. Army.

secretary of war. Like those already ordered to active service, these units will serve for the duration of the war and for six months after its termination, subject to earlier relief or discharge.

Units not already in active fighting service were not detailed in the order.

The reservists called were mostly selective service trainees or national guardsmen who were released last fall after having served more than a year.

How many were called was not disclosed, but by officially announced plans 200,000 were to have been returned to civil life last fall.

War Council Named

An eight-man combined chiefs-of-staff board was established in this United Nations war capital today to direct all British-American joint action by land, sea and air and on factory assembly lines.

American members are: Admiral Harold R. Stark, the chief of naval operations; Gen. George C. Marshall, the army chief of staff; Admiral E. J. King, commander in chief of the United States fleet, and Lieut. Gen. H. H. Arnold, chief of the army air corps.

The British members are: Field Marshal Sir John Dill, former chief of the imperial general staff; Admiral Sir Charles Little; Lieut.-Gen. Sir Colville Wemyss; and Air Marshal A. T. Harris.

In its announcement of the move late yesterday the war department said the new board "amounts to a combined command post for the conduct of all joint operations of the two governments in the war."

Besides directing military operations it will have jurisdiction over production and distribution of war supplies. It will work in collaboration with representatives of the other United Nations.

Although similar in many respects to the inter-allied high command of the last war, the new agency apparently has more actual power to act.

Creation of a manpower control administration, which could apportion Americans as needed among factory, farm and firing line, was under study in the capital today.

Some well-placed sources said an executive order might come from the White House within the month, setting up a policy body to determine which citizens should keep on producing food and weapons and which should be enrolled for military service.

To Leave Roseburg—A. W. Wampole, employed for the past 12 years with the Parslow Furniture company, has resigned his position and will leave next week to accept employment with the Long-Bell Lumber company. He will go to Longview, but may be transferred to work in California.

Excess Cigaret Tax Refunding To Dealers Planned

SALEM, Feb. 7.—(AP)—The state tax commission said today it is trying to arrange for refunding excess cigarette taxes paid by dealers under the cigarette tax law, which the state supreme court suspended last Tuesday to permit a referendum.

Many dealers, such as those who had cigarettes on hand Tuesday on which taxes had been paid, have paid taxes on more cigarettes than they have sold, the commission said.

The commission said that most cigarette dealers feel that since it is impossible to return taxes to the consumers who paid them, that the money should be paid to the state.

"Some dealers have not paid in all the money which they collected as taxes," the commission said, "and under the suspended law there is no legal authority for requiring payments. However, a number of wholesalers and retailers are voluntarily remitting the remainder of their net collections."

The commission said that by returning excess payments to dealers, and by dealers paying their collections to the state, retailers and wholesalers "are not materially injured or unjustly enriched."

Mobile Had Been Buried Under the River of Mud.

Dog Dies Saving Family. Another San Francisco woman, Mrs. Robert Frazee, was awakened just before the slide crushed her house by her dog, Pat, which barked frantically. Mrs. Frazee managed to save herself and her three small children. The dog was crushed under the debris.

The southern part of the city of Napa was flooded. Hundreds of families were evacuated by state guardsmen from their homes.

Flood waters and slides blocked highways along the northern coastal area and throughout the Sacramento valley.

State guardsmen from Napa, Petaluma, and Martinez, who have been billeted in the Napa county fair grounds, were stranded by 2 1/2 feet of water.

Rainfall during the preceding 24 hours deluged Napa county communities. Up to 7 a. m., Friday, 3.26 inches of rain had fallen in Napa itself while Calistoga recorded 4.75 inches and Lokoya, 3.79 inches. Quincy, in Plumas county had 4.25 inches.

MOLALA, Feb. 7.—(AP)—This section of Oregon had a fine large amount of weather this week.

More than 24 hours have passed so it may now be told that hailstones pelted the countryside between rainstorms that flooded lowlands and basements. Several windows in the grade school building were smashed by hailstones.

Hallie Willits Funeral Set at Cottage Grove

Funeral services will be held at Cottage Grove Monday afternoon for Hallie Willits, 38, bookkeeper at the J. C. Penney store here, who died Friday morning at Portland. The services will be held at 2:30 p. m. at the Mills chapel. The Rev. Melville T. Wire of Roseburg will officiate.

Harney Deputy Sheriff Kills Himself With Gun

BURNS, Feb. 7.—(AP)—W. W. Gould, about 54, Harney county deputy sheriff since 1929, was found dead yesterday in a storage room adjoining the sheriff's office in the courthouse here.

Sheriff C. W. Frazier said that since Gould's death was apparently due to a self-inflicted bullet, no inquest would be held.

Gould is survived by his widow and three children.

Edward Elwood Smith, 72, Spanish War Veteran, Passes

Edward Elwood Smith, 72, Spanish war veteran and resident of Portland, Oregon, died at the veterans hospital here last night. He was born at Portland, Indiana, September 19, 1869, and enlisted in the Spanish war April 26, 1898, serving as private, Company K, 1st Illinois Volunteer Infantry. He was discharged November 11, 1898. He had made his home in Portland, Oregon, for a number of years.

Surviving is a son, Robert E. Smith, of Portland.

The body has been removed to the Douglas Funeral home and arrangements are being made to forward the remains to Portland for services and interment.

VITAL STATISTICS

MARRIAGE LICENSES. HOUSEHOLDER - CHURCH - Warren Harding Householder, Myrtle Creek, and Elizabeth Eunie Church, Camas Valley.

POWELL'S FOR FISHING TACKLE

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Basketball Saturday Night

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(By the Associated Press) Complaint

CHARLOTTE, N. C.—The applicant had everything to become an aviation cadet—perfect physical condition, no dependents, a college degree, a pilot's license.

The would-be cadet wrote all this to the district army recruiting headquarters here.

The last sentence read: "I presented all the above qualifications to the local recruiting officers, but they wouldn't have me—because I'm a female."

WHEAT. PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 7.—(AP)—Open High Low Close May 1.04 1.04 1.04 1.04

DANCE At Ollala Saturday, Feb. 7. Gents 35c Ladies Free Casey Jones' Orchestra