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HERE COMES WINTER.

Fall and winter are on their way. Many parts of the country are still enjoying clear, warm days—but the months of rain and snow and cold aren't far off.

The winter season brings with it some of the greatest fire hazards—hazards which are responsible for thousands of deaths and the destruction of millions of dollars worth of property each year. Yet those hazards can be easily corrected.

Winter hazard number one is your heating plant. Before long it will be subjected to maximum load. Any defect, any weakness, may result in a disastrous fire. That is true of furnaces, stoves, fireplaces and everything which has to do with creating and conveying heat. Don't be your own inspector—that is not an amateur's job. Call in a qualified repairman. It won't cost much—and it may save a life, a home, or a factory.

Another hazard is exposed electric wiring. Cords fray, and fixtures get out of whack. Short days involve heavy use of light. Here again, a qualified expert should make all repairs. And keep a stock of fuses on hand—the more or less common act of using a penny to replace a burned-out fuse is an invitation to disaster.

Now is the time to get ready for winter—not when it is here and you must use maximum heat and light. Do it today.

WHO PULLS THE STRINGS?

Millions of good citizens in this country have watched the various government investigations of Harry Bridges, alien Pacific Coast labor leader, and alleged communist.

Deportation proceedings against him have been hanging fire for years. The Federal Bureau of Investigation has completed its job of presenting evidence to the Department of Justice for deportation, and yet no action is taken.

If Mr. Bridges wants to stay in this country, why has he remained an alien citizen for 17 or 18 years? Should aliens guide the destinies of labor in our nation?

How many more years will those responsible for the conduct of this case, play horse with the American people, the FBI which has done excellent work in unearthing alien activities, and with Mr. Bridges himself?

How much longer will this farce continue?

TEST OF GOOD CITIZENSHIP.

The test of good citizenship isn't so much the display of patriotism in times of stress and then forgetting our obligations as a citizen as it is in being good citizens in community, state and national affairs. Most of us are old enough that we have witnessed times of intense patriotism to see this emotion fade with the return of normal times.

To be a real citizen one can not be a one-sided patriot to the neglect of his home and community and state obligations. And real patriotism requires alertness in times of peace as well as in times of war. Only those who want to follow the crowd when excitement comes, don't weigh much as worthwhile men and women in building a country worth fighting for.

We would like to see a course in citizenship offered in every high school.

\$200,000,000 TO PLAY WITH.

Extent and vigor of the clash at the national capital between the friends of public ownership over the type of administration that shall be set up over our Columbia River federal power system are not very well known yet in Pacific Northwest. It has the elements of a genuine scrap among old-time pals. All competent observers at Washington have noted the ruckus and virtually all news columnists have written about it. John Kelly's "Washington News Letter"—being currently written during John's vacation by his assistant, Paul Dunham—the other day gave details of the scrap.

Meanwhile it appears that those opposed to the complete elimination of private power systems through absorption of them into one giant federal network are not attacking the one proposal of both the Representative Hill and Senator Bone bills which will make the federal monopoly possible. This is the appropriation of \$200,000,000 as a sort of revolving fund which the Bonneville-Coulee administration would use in buying up the investor-owned companies. Actually, that is the key element of the bills which will enable the government to set up the power monopoly so much wanted by both the opposing factions in the control fight. If the revolving-fund appropriation remains as a part of any bill enacted by Congress, the fate of our free-enterprise utilities will be sealed. That it will not be stricken appears quite certain.—The Oregon Voter.

"During the first full year of rearmament, less than half of the \$12,710,000,000 of Federal expenditures went for defense. . . . We spent more on routine, domestic affairs than on getting ready to fight."—Los Angeles Times.

SOS

SOS is a call for help and was adopted in 1912 by the Radio Telegraphic convention. The letters do not stand for any words.

Restoring Cut Flowers

Cut flowers, slightly withered, can be restored by pouring a weak solution of camphor into the water in which the flowers stand.

Soil Conservation Districts Grow



FROM BLACKBOARD ONTO THE LAND—With maps of actual sample farms (left), Idaho, Oregon and Washington farmers and ranchers are planning their own soil and moisture conservation land-use practices on millions of acres in soil conservation districts they have voted under state enabling acts.

The districts are not just "paper" organizations (above). One typical undertaking of district farmers is the growing of crops in their rotations to protect and build soil and furnish supplemental feed for profitable livestock raising in these all-out national defense food production days.

—Soil Conservation Service photo

OUR DEMOCRACY

by Mat

ALWAYS FAITHFUL



THE MARINES ARE A CROSS-SECTION OF THE FINEST MANHOOD OF THE COUNTRY AS A WHOLE, FOR IN THE CORPS ARE VOLUNTEERS FROM EVERY STATE.



THEIR MOTTO IS THE IDEAL OF AMERICA TODAY - ALWAYS FAITHFUL - ALL UNITED - ALL WORKING FOR NATIONAL DEFENSE.

THIS WEEK IN DEFENSE

The President established in the OPM a division of contract distribution with Floyd Odium of New York as director to "face the responsibility of alleviating the hardships which have resulted from the defense program and . . . to marshal our productive capacities to the objective that no plant or tool which can be used for defense shall be allowed to remain idle." The order was issued, the President said, "in furtherance of a determined move . . . to help the smaller business units of the country obtain a fair share of the defense orders and to prevent, as far as possible, dislocation of industry and unemployment of workers in plants where production has been curtailed by priorities and material shortages."

The division will set up branch offices throughout the nation where there will be available: procurement representatives of federal contracting agencies to negotiate contracts and subcontracts, technical engineering advice on conversion of plants to defense work, representatives of the OPM Labor Division to plan reemployment or training of workers in plants involved, and financial facilities of the RFC and other federal agencies which may be necessary to finance plant conversion.

To spread defense work "among as great a number of firms and in as many localities as possible," the division will revise federal procurement practice in favor of the smaller production units—"as yet largely unused"—and promote organization of pools of small manufacturers to undertake defense work jointly. The Division will also establish exhibits showing parts of defense articles needed, their number, the tools necessary to make them and all other information so that machine shop owners and manufacturers can determine "then and there" what they can do and arrange to do it.

Production.

Military aircraft manufacturers delivered 1,854 planes during August, a record and 394 planes more than in July. OPM reported 2,420 defense plants have been built or expanded since the beginning of the defense program.

The President told his press conference armament production will be accelerated by greater expenditures. The new Supply Priorities and Allocation Board, stating it will stimulate and reorganize defense production "to the

limit of the nation's resources," said its general policy demands curtailment of less-essential industries which use materials and facilities necessary to a "realistic defense program."

Navy Ships.

The Navy reported that during the first eight months of 1941 a total of 213 naval vessels were completed—including one battleship, one cruiser, eight submarines and eight destroyers—and keels were laid for 436 ships, including two battleships, 13 cruisers, 18 submarines, two aircraft carriers and 57 destroyers.

Merchant Ships.

Maritime Commission Chairman Land announced the commission's building program will place in operation 1,133 new ships of approximately 12,410,000 deadweight tons between July 1, 1941, and the end of 1943. He said production is running 25 percent ahead of estimates made in May, and that from 130 to 134 new vessels will be completed this year instead of the 105 estimated in May. Admiral Land said an additional 90 vessels will be delivered in the first three months of 1942, 146 in the second quarter, 154 in the third quarter, and 184 in the fourth quarter. By the beginning of 1943, the program will yield in three months more than the 1,380,000 deadweight tons of ships constructed in the entire war year of 1918.

Army.

The Second and Third Armies and 1,000 planes of the Second and Third task force, including Navy and Marine air units, began moving into the Louisiana maneuver area for combat practice September 15 to 30. The War Department said it expects to work out under actual conditions of a major battle the role of combat aviation in support of mechanized and armored ground forces.

To improve the efficiency and stamina of the Army, the Department set age limits for field officers ranging from 30 years for Second Lieutenants to 62 years for Major Generals. Officers over age will be given desk duty.

Air Raid Defense.

The Army announced that it will conduct exercises during October to test the alertness and effectiveness of eastern seaboard defenses against hostile aircraft throughout areas 125 to 150 miles inland. Approximately 45,000 civilians will act as spotters.

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Apprentice Head Praises High School Shop Graduates

Aid to Russia.

A Russian mission to study procurement of planes for the Russian armies arrived in the United States. President Roosevelt named W. Averell Harriman to head the U. S. mission to confer in Moscow with the Soviet Government and a British mission regarding supplies to Russia.

The Maritime Commission announced the first American tanker carrying aviation gasoline to Russia had arrived safely at Vladivostok. State Secretary Hull issued four export licenses to permit movement of British and Latin America shipments to the Soviets through the U. S.

Aid to Poland.

The President authorized lend-lease aid to the refugee Polish Government in the form of weapons and other supplies for the Polish Legion training in Canada for overseas action.

Prices.

Labor Secretary Perkins reported widespread increases in retail prices of 18 staple foods in 18 large cities in the last two weeks of August. The Department of Agriculture reported prices are now 131 percent of the 1909-14 parity average, highest level in 11 years. OGD Director LaGuardia, acting as president of the U. S. conference of mayors, recommended revocation of municipal licenses of retailers in cases of persistent violation of federal price ceilings fixed by Price Administrator Henderson.

Oil, Gas.

Acting Oil Coordinator Davies announced all commercial, agriculture and emergency gasoline needs will be met in full during September but there will be a 10 percent cut in deliveries on the Atlantic coast states under July. Mr. Davies also announced he had asked for and received commitments from 11 principal east coast oil companies to utilize all available railroad tank cars in transportation of petroleum products to alleviate the eastern states shortage.

President Roosevelt authorized the Southern Pipe Line Co. to use the power of eminent domain to obtain right-of-way for an oil pipeline from Port St. Joe, Florida, to Chattanooga, Tennessee, for "national defense purposes." J. Howard Marshall, counsel for the petroleum coordinator's office, said the OPM has authority to enforce the civilian allocation program of OPACS and also to enforce a consumer rationing program on the Atlantic coast should it become necessary.

CITY COURT

Hearings in the police court the past week were mostly for violation of the basic rule. Jack Turnbull was assessed a \$10.00 fine on charge of being drunk and disorderly. Lloyd Gilham was fined for operating a car without a license. W. A. Burdwick for operating a car without a tail light. Wayne Worley for all night parking. Floyd Forsen for parking in police zone and the following for violation of the basic rule: Louis Foster, Bob Nelson, M. C. Harris, N. Meyers, W. F. Fisher, H. C. Gorch, W. V. Vanderift, A. N. Jones, M. Dunham, John Brust.

Fines assessed in justice court during the past fortnight included: Henry C. Allen and Roy W. Kennedy, possession of venison out of season. Kenneth R. Kennedy, hunting deer out of season. Ester E. Denton, no operators license. Keith J. Baust, defective tail light. Donald R. Ordwick, no operators license. Thomas F. McClure, no operators license.

Now try peppermint ice cream at Gustafson's of course. 5-tfc-41

EXAMINER HERE SEPTEMBER 15th.

A traveling examiner of operators and chauffeurs will be at the city hall Monday for the purpose of examining those wishing to obtain drivers licenses or chauffeurs permits.

SCHOOL MONEY APPORTIONED.

County Superintendent L. C. Moffitt has apportioned the state irreducible school fund amounting to \$20,940.66. The apportionment is based on \$1.14 per capita.

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