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16th Battalion to Hold Maneuvers at Drain Sunday 11th

The 16th battalion of the Oregon State Guard will hold maneuvers at Drain Sunday, Lt. Col. LaSells Stewart, commander, announced here yesterday. The maneuvers will involve all companies from Marshfield to Oakridge. The companies will be divided into two groups of four companies each. One group will be commanded by Major H. W. Lombard and the second by H. L. Goodman of Drain. One group will start the maneuvers in the direction of Reedsport and the second will travel southward in the direction of Yoncalla, the two meeting on a ridge southwest of Drain.

Guard companies from the north will entrain here about 9:30 Sunday morning and will travel to Drain accompanied by the Cottage Grove police reserves as escorts. The maneuvers are expected to begin at 11:00 a. m. and end at 1:30 or 2:00 p. m. Lunch will be served at the site of the maneuvers.

Coffee Stamp No. 21 Expires July 21

Rationing of coffee, one of the first foodstuffs to be brought under government control because of shortages due to war has been relaxed for the first time beginning July 1. Coffee will be allowed on a pound-every-three-weeks basis on stamps in Ration Book I until at least August 11 as follows:

Stamp number 21 valid for one pound on July 1; expires July 21.

Stamp number 22 valid for one pound on July 22; expires August 11.

OPA also removed all restrictions on the amount of green coffee which roasters may buy. Green coffee is transferred without ration currency, and roasters may buy without regard to previously established allowable inventories. Large stocks of green coffee already on hand in the United States, as well as the more regular arrival of imports with which to maintain these stocks, make it possible to move increasing amounts of coffee into the hands of both roasters and consumers.

The Office of Price Administration has consistently pointed out that the public will receive the benefit of increases to supply whenever they exist. This is the first time since coffee rationing began that supplies have reached a normal level, and that imports to sustain that volume can be anticipated.

Synthetic Tires For Civilians Seen By Next April

Synthetic rubber tires for general civilian use probably will be available by next April, P. W. Litchfield, chairman of the board of the Goodyear Tire and Rubber company, said at Seattle Tuesday.

Here to study production problems of war industries, Litchfield said:

"By October this country's output of synthetic rubber will equal the average crude rubber production before the war.

"At the present time the entire stock of synthetic rubber is going to military uses and civilian needs directly connected with the war effort. However, after April, there should be a sufficient supply both to meet war needs and supply tires for general consumer use."

DORENA GRANGE HEARS REPORTS

The session of the Dorena Grange last Thursday was largely taken up with reports. Don Kabler reported on the withholding tax concerning the farmer and casual labor. A communication was read from Morton Tompkins, state grange master announcing an increase in membership dues. A report on the recent state grange convention in Eugene was read by Mrs. Nettie Gawley. It was also announced that ten from the Dorena grange took the 6th grange degree.

The program Thursday also included a program of lectures, group singing and a flag salute led by Shirley Arne.

Faye Hills Stewart, Youngest Lt. Colonel



Faye Hills Stewart, son of Mr. and Mrs. LaSells Stewart, recently promoted from major to lieutenant colonel and is one of the youngest men to attain this rank to be serving from this section. He is now stationed on an island, somewhere south of the equator. He is with the anti-aircraft division of the coast artillery.

Word of the promotion of Lt. Col. Stewart, which will be gratifying to friends of the family, was received here recently by his wife, Mrs. Faye Stewart.

Lt. Col. Stewart graduated from the local high school with the class of 1934 and from Oregon State college with the class of 1939 in forestry engineering. Was a member of the 249th Coast Artillery for ten years and was captain of the company when it was transferred to the regular army, assigned to Fort Stevens and was there when the Japs bombed the coast near the fort.

Penney Store to Go After Big Change in July War Bond Sale

"You can't buy battleships and bombers by licking stamps, so employees of the J. C. Penney organization will go after the big change in the July bond campaign," Damon Scott, local store manager, declared here Saturday. "While the stamp buying campaign launched by the treasury department is very commendable and we will sell war stamps too, we are going after the bond money to meet our local quota of \$35,000 for July." Scott said. The local Penney store has been one of the leaders of the nation since retail merchants have devoted a portion of their time to the selling of bonds. Quota assigned the Penney organization for July over the nation is \$10,000,000.

NUMBER CHICKEN THEFTS REPORTED

Local officers said this morning that a number of chicken thefts had been reported over town and in the surrounding vicinities. The shortage of meat is thought to have been the reason for the thefts. No arrests have been made but officers are making investigations.

Crop Outlook Under That of 1942; Unemployment Is Low; Soldiers Will Not Be Released for Harvest

Farm production—the No. 1 indicator of how much Americans will have to eat—has been favored recently by beneficial weather, but it is expected to fall short of the tremendous 1942 output.

Marvin Jones, the new war food administrator, has stated there would be enough food for a "healthful diet." In spite, at the present time, are less grain, vegetables and fruit than last year, but more meat animals.

A better balance of late between sunshine and rain offset to a great degree the pessimism occasioned by excessive spring precipitation and floods in the mid-west, rain and cold in the east and drought in some southern and southwestern sections.

It is estimated there were 78,000,000 cattle on ranges and farms Jan. 1, 1943, an increase of 3,000,000 over the year before; reckoned the pig crop at 125,000,000, or 20,000,000 more than in 1942; and computed sheep and lambs at 55,000,000, a slight decrease.

But the scarcity of feed for livestock, poultry and dairy herds has cast a cloud of uncertainty over the bright background of the picture. Difficulty in obtaining feed was reported in all major sections of the nation.

Unemployment Low.

"The national unemployment level has reached a low of less than one million persons and about the only reserve labor market left are women who are not normally on the market, and war industries will take 2,500,000 of these," declared Walter Cooper, western regional agent of the federal office of education, at a meeting of the state advisory committee.

Now he is bringing the value of his combat experience to Will Rogers Field gunners, bombardiers and pilots as an instructor in gunnery and combat tactics.

He is a member of Maj. Leland Walker's squadron.

Proceedings Started To Foreclose on C. G. Mfg. Co. Property

The city council approved a motion to start foreclosure proceedings on the property of the Cottage Grove Manufacturing plant, located east of the Southern Pacific tracks. The property was condemned as a fire hazard some time ago, but no action has been taken to date. The move of the city is thought to be for the purpose of razing the buildings on the property.

The council also received proposals for painting and kalsomining the hallways and outside wood work of the city hall. Efforts to locate another office for the rationing board have not met with success to date according to a report submitted by Councilman Max Bird. The board is occupying the former firemen's quarters in the city hall.

War Saving Campaign Now on in Lane Co.

Governor Snell assigned a quota of \$70,751 to Lane County to be raised by the sale of war savings stamps during July, according to word received today by John R. Snellstrom, county war bond chairman. This is equivalent to \$1.00 in war stamps for every individual in the county.

The drive is part of a national campaign being conducted by retail merchants to finance the building of an airplane carrier to be named Shangri-La. Cost of the navy carrier is estimated at \$135,000,000.

Honor Roll of South Lane-North Douglas Servicemen

These Men Are Doing and Will Do Our Fighting



Warrant Officer Lloyd E. Wagner, with the army air corps stationed somewhere in North Africa. Born November 22, 1919, and graduated from local high school with class of 1938. Enlisted July, 1940. Wife, Eleanor Wagner, lives here.



Charles Raymond Johnson, seaman second class, stationed at Farragut, Idaho. Son of Mrs. Mary Johnson, born September 23, 1924, and graduated from local union high school with class of 1942.



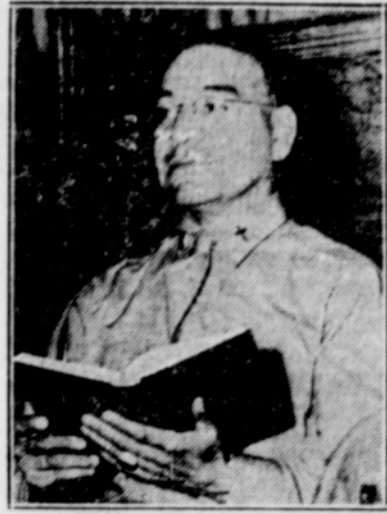
Staff Sergeant Dean M. Chapman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Otis S. Chapman, Dorena. Enlisted in the army air corps in 1941 and is now somewhere in north Africa.



Aviation cadet C. W. Zimmerly, stationed at Eagle Pass, Texas. Son of Mrs. Eleanor Zimmerly. Born January 23, 1924 and attended local high school.



Lieutenant Ralph L. Blake, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Blake, formerly of Cottage Grove. Graduated with class of 1940 local high school. Received his silver wings and commission at the army air field, Lubbock, Texas. Stationed at Moses Lake, Washington.



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FIRST INDIAN CHAPLAIN—A Comanche Indian born in a tepee near Ft. Sill, Okla., is Chaplain (First Lieutenant) James Collins Ottipoby, first of his race to be appointed a chaplain in the U. S. Army. He is 43 years old, a graduate of Hope College, Michigan, and theological schools. He entered the chaplaincy from the pastorate of the Christian Indian Mission, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

TIRE INSPECTION RULES ON PASSENGER CARS

Periodic inspection of passenger car tires and tubes is vital to the mileage rationing program.

Inspection periods for the three classes of ration are as follows: "A" book holders must have one inspection within every six months period on or before September 30 and March 31 of each year. Inspections must be at least 90 days apart.

"B" book holders must have one inspection within every four months period—on or before June 30, October 31, and February 28 of each year. Inspections must be at least 60 days apart.

"C" book holders must have one inspection within every three months period—on or before August 31, November 30, February 28 and May 31 of each year. Inspections must be at least 45 days apart.

THE CALVIN FUNK POST CIGARETTE DRIVE

During the short time the bottles have been out we have collected \$51.81. This gives us a chance to order two cases immediately. The balance is banked against future shipments! So boy! on Guadalcanal or in a sub off the Japanese coast or on the drive to Berlin will thank you as we of the American Legion thank you! You're swell folks! Thanks—Ed J. Gotch, Adj.

McNARY HOME

Senator Chas. McNary arrived at his farm home near Salem Monday to undertake some work on his farm. Senator McNary expressed the opinion that the president was trying to do too much and has accepted too many responsibilities. He said he thought President Roosevelt would get the nomination for the fourth term. Senator McNary stated that he planned to remain in the state until September and said he would get around some to learn what the people are thinking, but said there would be no politics as far as he was concerned.

Kelly Appointed Procurement Chm. Army Air Corps

An urgent need for young men between 17 and 26 years of age to apply for enlistment in the army air corps was expressed here yesterday by a representative of Colonel J. J. Fulmer, state recruiting chief, as he appointed John L. Kelly chairman of aviation cadet procurement in Cottage Grove.

Mr. Kelly explains that as local chairman he will have complete information about the army air corps recruiting program and will take applications from those who wish to indicate their desire to be physically and mentally examined by the cadet board when it visits here.

This unusual opportunity to sign for air crew training is offered to two groups. Qualified seventeen year olds may enlist in the army air corps enlisted reserve. Upon their enrollment they will be presented with official aviation cadet "Silver Wings" which will be worn on their civilian clothes to indicate that they are future flying soldiers. These men will not be called until after their eighteenth birthday. They may continue with their civilian employment or education until such time as they are called for training.

Men from 18 to 26 inclusive, who are of draft age, may take the cadet examinations and if found qualified will be authorized to volunteer for induction into the air corps. To be eligible for this program the applicant must not have received his orders to report for induction from his selective service board.

According to the explanation given the local chairman the examining board will visit this district when enough applicants have indicated their desire to be examined. Apply at Kelly Drug Co.

County Millage Rate To Be Fixed Soon by Lane County Court

The county millage levy will be fixed as soon as the valuations of properties of the public utilities are announced by the state tax commission. The total county levy is expected to be between twelve and thirteen mills.

The Lane county court levied the tax for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1944, in a formal order issued Tuesday and directed Wells Stevens, county assessor, to extend the levy on the assessment rolls. Total levy as fixed by the budget commission and approved by the tax payers is \$600,447.70.

The sums to be raised for the different funds in the budget are designated as follows: General fund, \$251,275; market road fund \$69,750; bond, interest and redemption fund \$91,900; county school fund, \$185,270; library fund \$1,852.70; teachers' institute fund \$400; total \$600,447.70.

Lt. W. Newton, Flight Officer, Visits Here

Lt. Willard Newton, former Cottage Grove school teacher, now with the army air corps, now flight director of the Oakland, California airport, spent a few days here visiting with friends. He reported for duty yesterday. Since leaving here Lt. Newton has seen service with the air corps in the South Pacific and on Guadalcanal and while stationed on the latter, used the Henderson field from where he is said to have been credited with shooting down a Jap plane or two.

He recently completed ten weeks training with the CAA at New York.

150,000 VOLUNTEERS TO BE HONORED

The week of August 1 to 7 has been designated by the 4th Fighter Command as "Aircraft Warning Service Week." The purpose of the week is to honor 150,000 volunteers who have given freely of their time and effort as aircraft observers in order to protect the coast from an air attack.

CELERY GROWING

Major Harry Metcalf is proving himself quite a diversified farmer. Recently he placed home grown celery on the local market, which was grown and bleached on his Fern Ridge farm.