Rip These Ties

"Remember Pearl Harbor"

Identification Cards Should Be Required

A recent report of Dr. George Gallup's American Institute of Public Opinion showed overwhelming sentiment for requiring everyone in the United States to carry an identification card containing, among other things, his picture and his fingerprints. It would be valuable at any time, but particularly so now with the country at war. Such an identification card would aid in running down possible spies and saboteurs and protect the innocent.

It was pointed out that in Britain every man, woman and child has been required to carry a "national identity card" since September, 1940, and must be prepared to show the card when challenged by any officer. Such a requirement would eliminate a great deal of trouble in this country and would aid tremendously in case of widespread bombing or invasion efforts.

Right now everyone engaged in defense activities of all kinds must be fingerprinted and defense workers must have their pictures on their identification cards. Now would be a good time to institute such a program of identification and it would have the backing of all good Americans.

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Appointment of a president at Oregon State college, thus ending the long search for a successor to Frank L. Ballard, who resigned in 1941, is good news to friends of higher education in Oregon. The new president, Dr. August LeRoy Strand, who has served as Montana State college president for five years, is being widely acclaimed as an educator and executive, well qualified to follow in the footsteps of former great leaders at the college. The new O. S. C. leader is taking over immediately and will be on hand for the start of a critical year.

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Adjournment of politics for the duration would be an important step in the winning of the war. This is no time for throwing monkey wrenches into the wheels.

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Mayor Hugh S. Rogers has given good service as the city's chief executive and his many friends are pleased that he has consented to be a candidate again.

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No "Smugness"

The Oregonian hit the nail squarely on the head when it said Major Sandy's inference that it was a matter for individual decision by the married man whether he should shift from normal civilian population to war work fails to fit into the thesis of selective service.

"The requirements of the armed services of war production industries and of the over-all economic life are beyond personal assessment," declares the Oregonian.

"In general, the man with family who is still engaged in some ordinary pursuit, and has been given deferment on account of dependents, is not hiding behind wife and children but is ready to respond to any call to war or into any war-related service. It ought not to be left to his personal judgment whether he is fit for some branch of war work and whether opportunity is present for him to get into it. Nor is he competent judge of the essential quality of the work he is already doing.

"A labor draft has been suggested and will likely be put into effect. But its necessary purpose is not to drag reluctant men and women into war work. Rather it is to fill war industry's growing needs by a process that will not jeopardize the requirements of the armed services or the ability of economic life to survive.

"Major Sandy may have been, and probably was, speaking from the book in the substance of what he said, rather than in the harsh way he put it. At present, it may be that dependents will not obtain draft deferment for one engaged in non-essential industry, but the book, it is understood, is in process of revision—as it ought to be. Pending issuance of the new edition, let us not be sweepingly condemnatory of those who are awaiting only guidance on how best they may serve their country."

There are men in this community, who may not not be engaged in an essential industry, but who have never at any time in the past or the present been found wanting in any respect in their citizenship responsibilities. In many cases they are performing outstanding tasks in civilian defense and other war work. And from day to day contacts we know definitely that there is little "smugness" in their attitude as to what may be expected of them.

Commendable Work

Commendation is due the Hillsboro auxiliary police for being the first civilian defense group in Washington county to be certified as having completed the basic training course. This indicates that the men have put in a lot of hard work and are going about their duties in a conscientious manner, well aware of the responsibility that is their's. Spirit of this kind is needed to make civilan defense work. Keep up the good work.

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The manner in which the government dealt with the eight Nazi saboteurs is proof aplenty that Uncle Sam means business and is playing for keeps in this global war game. It should serve notice on Adolph and his followers that anyone sent here to sabotage our war efforts will be dealt with summarily.

In Days Gone By

Fifteen Years Ago

Argus, August 11, 1927—Many city blocks are being improved with rock. Street improvement for year to amount to $12,000.

North Plains Feed company incorporated at North Plains by A. K. Reynolds, Gunnar Berggren and F. H. Keenon. It was formerly the North Plains branch of the Buchanan Grain & Feed company.

Weil's department store to build big marquee.

Rotary club bids farewell to first president, Dr. J. H. Rossman, who sells practice here.

Thirty Years Ago

Argus, August 15, 1912—Annex to courthouse to be completed in September.

Many cement walks to be built in 1912. City council orders several blocks built on Second street.

Weddings—Miss Faye Corwin and George Alexander married here August 11.

The watering trough has been installed on Main, opposite the Commercial bank, after several days of waiting. This will be welcome news to the farmer element.

Forty-five Years Ago

Argus, August 12, 1897—T. H. Tongue returns from special session of congress. He was met at the depot by about 50 of his admirers and the cornet band. His mail requiring answers while at the special session amounted to 100 letters per day.

Ed Bowen, Hillsboro youth, drawned in Columbia river.

Washington county has the frame work for a very pretty courtyard, but its general appearance is not very savory, except for about two weeks in the spring, when the wild flowers are in bloom. Two or three dollars per month for water would keep up a splendid lawn and not at all injure the pocketbooks of taxpayers. If the county is too poor to do this, it would appear advisable to sell off a row of side lots and take the tax money therefrom and at least keep up the remainder in a shape that would be pleasing to the eye. As the yard now looks, it would route to shame for shabby appearance the traditional ram pasture. No one would kick at the trifling expense incurred in making the yard presentable even if an extra cut on supervisor's pay was entailed to make up the amount. (Editor's note—Years have indeed made quite a difference, for this same Washington county courtyard is now one of the most beautiful in the country.)

Deaths—Minerva Graham Newton of Hillsboro, county pioneer of 1852, dies July 30.

The county commissioners are in session today and have decided that the new jail shall be built as as annex to the courthouse, joining to the sheriff's office.

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PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

"I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands. One Nation indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

Household Prices Discussed

(By Roger W. Babson)

BABSON PARK, MASS.—I still believe that those who have protected the carcasses or casings of their tires will be able to get needed retreading material along the lines of the experiments which were described in this column last March. As for gas, this is purely a matter of sinkings. There is plenty of gas but if the tankers and tank cars are not sufficient to haul gas to certain sections of the country then these sections must be severely rationed. Readers, however must not let all this discussion regarding rubber and gasoline blind them to what will happen to other commodities.

Henderson Helpless

Leon Henderson has got a desperate job, but he is doing the best he can. He is like a man trying to sail a boat against a head wind and a strong tide. By rowing harder he can make a little progress in keeping down prices; but he cannot change the fury and direction of the wind and tide. These are strongly in the direction of inflation. With a tremendous amount of new purchasing power released every day and a constant reduction in available goods, an explosion some day is inevitable.

Mr. Henderson has done his best to warn us. Readers ask me why he does not state definitely what additional products will be rationed and when. This he cannot do because it would immediately send everyone to the store to buy these things which he might mention. Every reader who has common sense should be able to anticipate what most of these products will be. Generally speaking, they are products containing metals, rubbers, or certain chemicals. I understand there are also other products on the list which come under different classifications.

Different Ways to Ration

The government is now debating as to whether a separate ration book shall be given for these different products or whether the "unit system" will be used as in the case of England and other countries. With the "unit system" we have one ration book and can use our judgment as to whether we want to buy a suit of clothes or a piece of furniture. When entering a store the goods are not marked in money prices but in coupon prices. It may take one coupon to buy a cap, ten coupons to buy a suit of clothes, or twenty coupons to buy a piece of furniture. In other words, we can have our choice of certain necessary standardized products, but we cannot buy them all.

In place of quotas for essential goods, the government may issue licenses, threby cutting down the amount retailers may get to sell to their customers. Probably nothing radical will be done before fall when we will all have a better idea as to the length of the war. If the Russians are successful, further rationing may be delayed until next summer; but if the Germans should get into the Caucasian oil fields, radical rationing may be expected at any time.

What May be Rationed Next

Of course, many things such as automobiles, refrigerators, bicycles, radios, garden tools, etc., need not be rationed because few more, if any, can be manufactured. Most of those now on hand will be used by the armed forces. There are, however, many other products the supply of which has merely been cut down. Among these are pots, pans, and all kinds of kitchen utensils; chocolate, cocoa, coffee, tea, spices, and certain canned goods and other food products; office furniture, typewriters, paper, pencils, rubbers, and even fountain pens. Certainly, those who wish to buy any cutlery, or other hardware,—or jewelry, leather luggage, and similar luxuries had better do so immediately. Some say that this will also apply to furniture except nursery equipment, but I am not so sure of this other than articles which contain metal and rubber.

Most household electrical appliances may soon be impossible to obtain under any conditions, while rugs, carpets, chinaware, and sport goods may be on the rationed list. I might also add that families requiring more bedding, shoes, corsets, razor blades, hosiery, umbrellas, musical instruments, linoleum, and photographic supplies should get them at once. They are liable to be treated the same as bicycles are now treated.

Prices Will Not Be Lower

Finally, let me add that I am not basing these recommendations on any official information. Naturally, Mr. Henderson's office cannot make any forecast along specific lines. I have included some which may not become scarce, or I may have omitted some which will be rationed. I do, however, emphasize that we are in a real war and our internal troubles are just beginning. The sooner we realize what is ahead and prepare for it and quit squawking, the better off we all will be.

Buy now or as the ministers say at a wedding, "forever after hold your peace." Certainly, prices of the above things should be no lower while the war lasts and probably their price ceilings will gradually be raised.

A Week of the War

OWI Review of the War

In a general review of the war situation, the OWI said "Our production, measured by our standards of a couple of years ago, is amazing; measured against what we need to win, it is not yet enough." About individual phases of war production, OWI reported: (1) Because we have been compelled to spread our naval forces wide and thin to give perfect protection to our troop convoys to Europe and the South Seas, merchant shipping losses have far outnumbered new construction, and it probably will be well into 1943 before we equal merchant shipping as of December 7, 1941. However, in July the curve of ship sinkings the world over turned downward. (2) June production of military planes fell slightly behind schedule, despite the fact that we made more planes than any other country in the world. (3) The same is true of tanks, of most types of artillery, and of naval vessels—particularly small craft needed to fight submarines, of which less than half of those scheduled were produced in June.

The OWI said: Popular pressure for action on any particular front "can serve no useful purpose. When we cannot be strong and hit hard everywhere, we must be able to hit hard where it counts most, even at the price of leaving other areas inactive." Large numbers of American soldiers and vast masses of material have to be moved over enormous distances before this nation's military pressure can be made effective. "This job, so far, has been done with entire success; but we are going to have to keep on doing it, in increasing volume, until the war is won." This country's United Nation Allies "have carried most of the load, and we have not given them as much help as we had led them to expect." Enemy victories have cut off the Burma Road supply line to China and German activity in the sea route to Murmansk has made it harder to send supplies to Russia. This year may be the decisive one of the war, but only if the enemies do not succeed in inflicting crippling blows on our Allies before the year is out. "If they should paralyze the striking power of Russia, or wear down the endurance of China, or break the British power in the Middle East, the war will be decided in some later years—and victory will be far more costly."

The OWI said the raw materials situation will remain a serious problem in war production for a long time. "Too many people seem to feel that we are fighting this war out of a surplus—a surplus of resources and productive capacity, a surplus of time. That is not true, we have plenty of some resources; in others we are a have-not nation." There is "no present prospect" or enough rubber for pleasure driving as well as military and essential requirements. "We could lose this war," the OWI said, and defeat for the United States means its destruction.

Stabilization of Farm Prices

An arrangement has been concluded between the U. S. and Mexico making possible temporary migration of Mexican farm workers into this country to help combat the seasonal farm labor shortage, especially in the Southwest, OWI announced. The arrangement will be administered by the Agriculture Department and War Manpower commission. The Mexicans will come to the U. S. only when domestic labor is unavailable, and will be provided guarantees as to wage rates, living conditions and repatriation. American farm workers will be protected against reductions in prevailing rates of pay or displacement by foreign labor.

Purchase of War Bonds

July War Savings Bonds sales totaled $900,900,000, second highest monthly amount on record, and exceeded June sales by more than $250,000,000, Treasury Secretary Morgenthau reported. He said the August quota has been placed at $815,000,000, because of seasonal variations in income distribution.

Army

Under Secretary of War Patterson announced formation of the Army's first completely airborne divisions, with the 82nd Infantry Division, at Camp Claiborne, La., to be reorganized to form two airborne divisions, the 82nd and the 101st. The new units will consist of about 8,000 troops each, and will be stationed initially at the camp. Men skilled in all offensive operations—parachute, marine landing operations, mountain fighting and desert warfare—will make up another new combat unit, the First Special Service Force.

Navy

President Roosevelt signed legislation authorizing $974,634,000 for naval shore facilities and a 50 per cent increase in base pay for navy officers and enlisted men assigned to submarine duty; and permitting enlistment of naval aviation cadets at navy recruiting stations. He also ordered additional compensation for enlisted men in the Marine Corps, Navy and Coast Guard who qualify as experts in the use of various arms.

Transportation

Approximately 4,000,000 school children who ride daily in 93,000 school busses will be affected by the ODT's order to reorganize all school bus services under the conservation program recommended by the National Council of Chief State School Officers. The plan provides: (1) Transportation shall not be furnished for students who have less than two miles to walk to and from school (with certain exceptions), or where areas are serviced by public carrier routes. (2) Transportation shall be limited to carrying pupils to and from school and on other missions necessary to school work. (3) School bus schedules shall be staggered to permit busses to carry students for two schools on the same route. (4) Standing shall be permitted where safe, and stops shall be reduced to a minimum.

Strategic Materials

President Roosevelt vetoed the bill which would have created a new synthetic rubber agency, and set up a three man committee, headed by Bernard M. Baruch, to study the entire synthetic rubber program. He said the grounds on which he vetoed the measure were: It would have divided priorities control of critical materials, made it possible to divert materials from the armed forces to civilian purposes, and called for consumption by rubber plants of millions of bushels of grain which may be urgently needed for food.

The President said "every user of fuel and heating oil should face realistically the fact that there can be no guarantee that he will get enough oil to meet even his minimum needs."

Letters from Service Men

Located, Wants Paper

Dear Sirs—A week or so ago I wrote and asked you to stop your splendid paper until I was located at my new station. There seemed to be some doubt where that would be but now it seems I'm located here, probably for quite a spell, and would like very much to receive it again. It certainly is appreciated very much.

Duncan Field here is practically part of Kelly Field, just runways between them, I'll be stationed at Duncan but will probably work as an aircraft armoror in the hangars at both Duncan and Kelly fields.

Thanking you again for your fine paper in the past, I remain, as ever, yours sincerely, Pvt. JOHN G. DEVLAEMINCK, 15th Air Depot Repair Squadron, Duncan Field, San Antonio, Texas.

All Appreciate It

To the Editor—Have been receiving your paper every week now for over a month and wish to thank you for sending it and to let you know that I appreciate reading the news from Washington county.

Several other boys in my company also get the Argus and we all enjoy it very much.

Thanking you again, I remain Pvt. HENRY JACOBSON, Co. F-125th Infantry, Santa Clara, Cal.

"A Bit of Home"

Mr. W. Verne McKinney, Editor the Hillsboro Argus, Hillsboro, Oregon—Dear Mr. McKinney—Thank you for the bit of home you send me each week. I only wish I could answer one of those "help wanted" ads or see the current show at the Venetian.

Could I interest you in something of Alabama? Besides peanuts, corn and the boll weevil it abounds in other kinds of wealth that cannot be sold, but one worth more to me than any of the other commodities—namely hospitality. I'm getting used to it now, but at first I was almost struck off my feet—sho 'nuff! But still I look forward to coming back to Oregon where the hospitality may not be so overwhelming but just as true, and where the rain, though longer lasting, is far more gentle—Sincerely, WALTER KONIGIN, Staff Sgt. 84th Separate Chemical Battalion, Company B, Camp Rucker, Ala.

Completes Training

CHANUTE FIELD, Ill.—Private Vance N. Shearer, son of R. N. Shearer of Route 1, Cornelius, was graduated recently from the Chanute Field school of the army air forces technical training command. While at Chanute Field he was trained in various technical operations vital to the maintenance of the country's fighting planes.

PTA Board Meets At Cedar Mill to Plan Coming Year

CEDAR MILL—Mrs. Helen Ward was hostess at a 1 o'clock luncheon to the members of the executive board of the P.-T. A. on Monday, when plans for the ensuing year were discussed.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Satchell, and daughter Delina, and Miss Barbara Walters spent last week at Otter Rock and Delake.

Daughter Born

Mrs. E. S. Hoak, Jr., has returned from a Portland hospital with her baby daughter, born July 26.

Likes Oregon, Stays Here

Miss Rita Gambill of Ft. Smith, Ark., has been visiting Mrs. Mary and James Copeland. She likes Oregon so well that she has decided to remain and has secured employment in Portland.

Leaves for Coast Guard

Charles Walters left last week for service in the coast guard.

Ed McCallen is recuperating at his home following an appendectomy in a Portland hospital.

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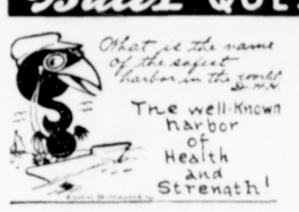

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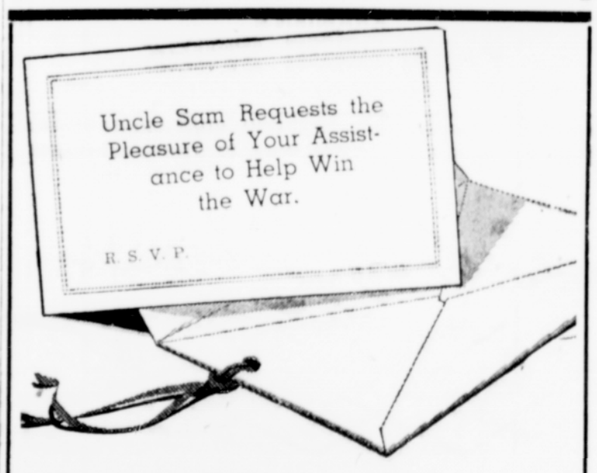
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By Mick
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