

Price Control--Plainer Living

New Patterns Shape Lives In Wartime

Essential Clothing, Food Still to Be Available

By CLAUDE A. JAGGER

Life under rigid price controls of wartime goes on with little visible change at first, then takes on new and strange patterns.

Complete freezing of what you pay at the store, what you pay your landlord and, for most people a virtual freezing of what you get in your pay check, is leading America into a total war economy calling for drastic changes in our ways of thought, and our ways of doing things.

Beginning this month, Price Administrator Leon Henderson is putting a lid on the price of most of the things you buy, and on rents landlords may charge in two-thirds of the nation, with notice to the rest that no unjustified hikes will be tolerated.

President Roosevelt has called for a "stabilization" of wages, with "due consideration to inequities and elimination of sub-standards of living." As a general proposition, he says, "you will have to forego higher wages for your particular job for the duration of the war."

For the business man, the president says "profits must be taxed to the utmost limit consistent with continued production," and expresses the opinion no one in wartime should have an income, after payment of taxes, of over \$25,000 a year.

To understand what these directives mean, they must be viewed in the light of the fact that there is going to be much less to buy. No lack of essential food and clothing, but we will learn to get along on the civilian front without a good many things the boys in service are also giving up for the duration. We will repair and mend what we have, make the old things do.

A Simpler Life

It is to be a plainer and simpler life, so far as material things are concerned. If the British experience is a good guide, it may well be a healthier life. New interest in community affairs, things closing in on the home, already developing. Various civilian defense activities are bringing neighbors together, making them friendlier.

But for many, the problem of handling a job, or a business, has become more complicated. Many peacetime manufacturing plants are closing. Keeping many small retail businesses going, with the variety of merchandise shrinking and less flexibility in pricing, becomes a problem. In England, where the impact of war has been much more severe, thousands have closed. There are scarcities of many kinds of workers. A general labor shortage is anticipated in coming months, requiring many more jobs for women in formerly masculine callings.

We learn day by day that there is no easy way to wage total war. As President Roosevelt has told us, "the price for civilization must be paid in hard work and sorrow and blood."

Canada's Example

How can such a stupendously complex job of control and regulation be made to work? It won't be easy. But Canada inaugurated an over-all price-wage control last December 1, and Dominion leaders generally say it works. Of course, Canada has less than one-tenth our population. But it may well prove to have been a good thing, ground for what we are undertaking.

From the outbreak of war in Europe, until last November, cost of living in the Dominion rose about 15 per cent. Since December 1, it has held steady, averaging a trifle under November. Here, cost of living is also up about 15 per cent since August, 1939. Early, when Canada was at war and we were a neutral, it rose faster. Lately, it has been going up about 1 per cent a month in America in what looked like the beginnings of a spiral that unchecked would be much worse than in World War I, when prices doubled. It was time to act.

What of bootlegging and "black bousses?" Will manufacturers and distributors find profit margins so narrow they will close down?

America is undertaking its mightiest job of economic integration and control in history. Grave complications will arise and have to be dealt with as we go along. But it is the highest road we have taken to victory.

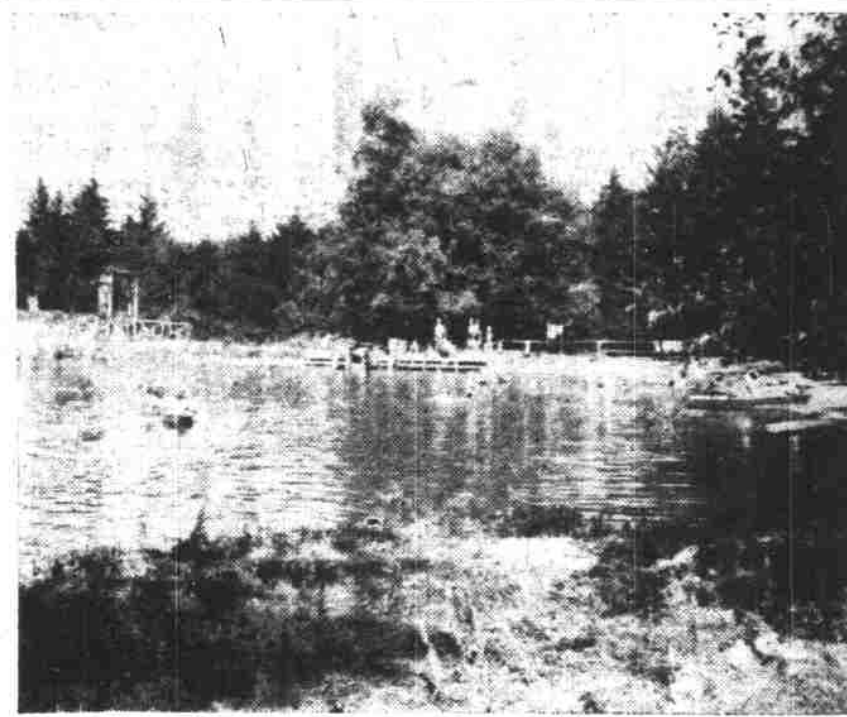
Lebanon Editorial Reprinted

LEBANON—An editorial from the "Lebanon Express" was reprinted in full in the May issue of "The Oregon Traffic Safety Exchange," published by the secretary of state. This editorial written by LeRoy Inman, news editor of the Express, was called the best safety editorial of the month. It was written at the time that Lebanon received the plaque from the secretary of state in recognition of there having been no traffic fatalities here for two years.

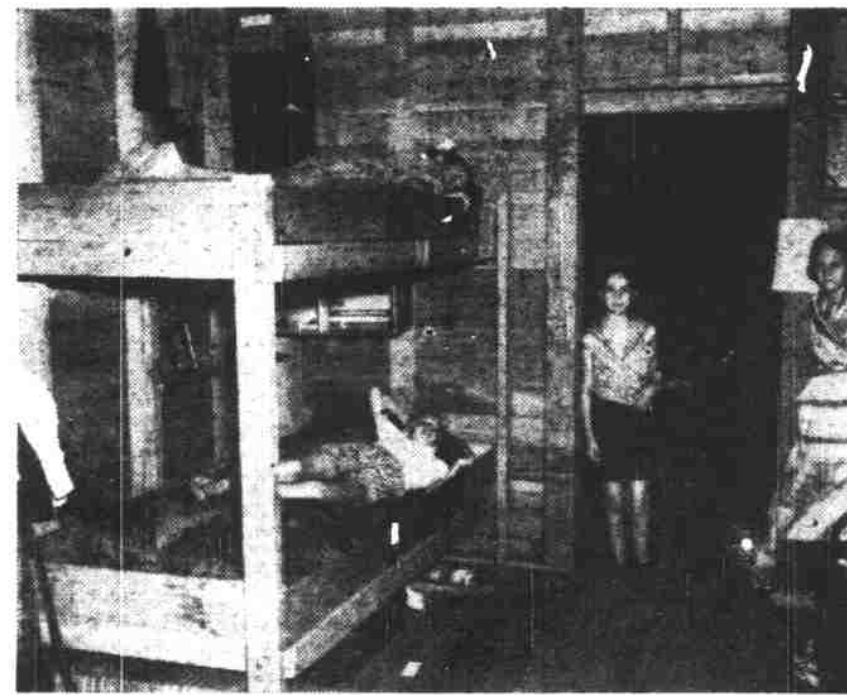
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Lake Kiloqua, fed by Teal creek, near Falls City, where Salem Camp Fire Girls will spend their annual summer outing this year with approval of army authorities. The outing period opens on June 28.



Interior of cabin at Camp Kilowan, Salem-Corvallis-Dallas Camp Fire Girls' summer outing place.

Salem Camp Fire Girls' Outing To Open June 28 at Kilowan

The annual summer camp activities of the Salem Camp Fire Girls will get under way June 28 this year when Camp Kilowan, near Falls City, opens. It was announced Saturday by Merrill Ohling, camp chairman for Salem.

The camp is operated jointly by Salem, Corvallis and Dallas with Camp Fire Girls from the three cities participating. The summer outing will be in three sessions, the first a one-week period running from July 5 to July 19, and the third a one week period running from July 19 to July 26.

The Salem Camp Fire council has official approval for conducting the camp from the second inceptor command at Spokane, Ohling said. Army officials expressed full endorsement of organized summer camps and declared they should be encouraged now more than ever. The state forestry department also has endorsed the camp for this summer.

Registration, which will open Monday, May 25, will be under the direction of Mrs. Irl McSherry. Camp director this year will be Miss Alice Oatman, of Spokane, an experienced camp director. Mrs. Curtis Mumford, dietitian of Corvallis, will be in charge of camp menus.

Transportation from Salem to the camp and return will be provided by school buses, the council having made arrangements with school authorities to utilize this means of transportation, Ohling announced.

Camp Kilowan is located on Lake Kiloqua and Teal creek, near Falls City. A complete program of recreation, camp craft, nature lore, dramatics and folk dancing has been formulated. Competent leadership under the direction of Miss Oatman emphasizes health and safety throughout the camp activities.

for several years a central character carries on through all the stories; and the result forms a rather complete picture of family and business life in China today.

One of modern European literature's most distinguished writers is Franz Werfel; he is now living in California where he completed his latest novel "The Song of Bernadette." The story is based on information he gathered while a refugee in the comparative safety of Lourdes, France, and concerns the life of Bernadette Soubirous who lived in Lourdes some 80 years ago. Because she saw visions of the Virgin Mary and was able to perform miracles she has since become a saint of the Catholic church. Written with great literary beauty and much sympathy for the subject, this is a distinguished novel. The third novel is "And Never Yield" by Elinor Pryor. It is the story of the early Mormons in Illinois and Missouri, and has been judged one of the best stories yet written on the trials and struggles of the women who suffered because of the practice of plural marriage.

In contrast to the seriousness of the two books discussed above, there are three new novels which have some interest and importance in literature. In the book "Mr. Pan" by Emily Hahn, who last year wrote on the lives of the Soong sisters, we have a thoroughly entertaining group of short stories about a Mr. Pan of China. In these sketches by an American author who has lived in China

Timely Garden Talk

By LILLIE L. MADSEN

What the war has done to perfumery does not seem an important issue now but it is being asked from time to time, and recently I had a couple of requests concerning this: can perfumery gardening be carried on successfully here? Can an amateur or novice make perfume? Are all roses good for perfume and so on?

I believe that the perfumery industry in America did flourish to some extent prior to the war, although it seems that the American perfumes were never as fine as those imported. But many of our local perfumes are made from oils grown and extracted in Europe.

The production of perfumery oils can be conducted on farms or even on a smaller scale by women who do not find the process tedious.

Books telling of perfume production include "Perfumes and Their Preparation" by Askinson; "Oidographia" by Sawers; Plesse's "Art of Perfumery."

It might be well to remember that 3000 pounds of fresh rose petals are needed for one pound of oil which is valued, I believe, at something less than \$200.

E. S. Steele, an old authority on perfumery gardening tells us that the type of roses best suited for perfume purposes is semi-double with large, thick petals that can easily be collected, rather than the more showy varieties with full disks of shorter petals so crowded that they hide the pistils.

Until the European war broke out again, the supply of the rose oils for European and American markets was derived chiefly from Turkey and the perfume region of southern France. The attar oil of roses was produced chiefly in Bulgaria and from parts of the other Balkan states as well as in Asiatic Turkey, principally from the damask rose. A small white flowered rose was also used to quite an extent.

In France the best rose perfumes were extracted from the Provence rose, a hybrid of Rosa Centifolia, the type to which the cabbage rose and the moss roses belong. Rose Parfum de l'Hay, a hybrid of Rosa rugosa, is being tried out in this country in recent years.

Other perfume plants of considerable importance include the lemon verbena, the rose geranium, the English violet, thyme, lavender, rosemary, and jasmine grandiflora.

Three irises were cultivated for their rootstocks used in perfume near Florence, Italy, prior to the war. These are iris germanica, I. pallida and I. florentina. These are our common garden irises, the first with deep blue flowers, the second of a lighter blue and the third the white. Steele tells us that the crop is gathered once in two years, the cuticle is scraped from the root which has been dried in the sun and stored in a dry place for the development of its fragrance. The fragrance is wanting in the fresh root and does not reach its best under three years. The well-known old orris sachet is obtained from this.

The making of perfumery, while it might be interesting to a few, is still a slow process for the individual. But anyone can have a potpourri. One of the best known ways is to take two quarts of fresh rose petals, using, of course, the most fragrant varieties. Put them on sheets of paper in an airy room to dry, a process which takes approximately 24 hours. Sprinkle with a thin layer of table salt. Add lavender, heliotrope, jasmine, rose-geranium, a bit of cedar green, a few bay leaves, rosemary or any other sweet-smelling herb or flower. These should also be dried before mixing with the rose petals. As you add the other flowers and herbs to the rose petals, add a little more salt. When the flowers are thoroughly dry add your spice mixture of powdered cloves, cinnamon, mace, all spice, crushed coriander, cardamom seeds, powdered gum benzoin and powdered gum storax. Mix the flowers thoroughly with the spice mixture and then leave the potpourri tightly covered in a crockery jar for some weeks, stirring occasionally.

From time to time, when the mixture has been stored for a few weeks, you take the cover off and stir, giving the room a pleasant fragrance.

Clean-up Day Set
MACLEAY—Wednesday, May 27, will be annual "clean-up" day at Macleay cemetery.

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Wise or Otherwise

By ETHAN GRANT

According to Fannie, my little educated kangaroo helper, the only thing you can do about the weather is write about it. So, with Fannie's scientific kibitzing, Prof. Otherwise will now discuss meteorology, same being oddities of the elements.

The weather affects people, crops and the barometer. It doesn't affect alligators and Californians. A lot of people who read California's "bundant blarney" hope they'll go to California when they die. Some go there before they die, but many become disgusted and wind up in the Willamette valley.

Glenora, Ore., with 131.54 inches of annual rainfall, is now the wettest spot in the United States. But Fannie says prior to the repeal of the 18th amendment, the distinction belonged to Key West, Florida.

Which brings us to fog. The only difference between a fog and a cloud is one of elevation. The dirtiest fog on earth can change itself into a pretty cloud simply by getting up into the air. When a man gets up into the air, he makes a donkey of himself. When electricity gets up into the air, it becomes lightning. There are over 44,000 lightning storms on earth each day. And, according to Fannie, that's a lot of lightning. If it should all strike in one spot at the same time, say, in your garden, you wouldn't grow any tomatoes or cucumbers this year.

Squirrels putting away an abundance of nuts is no sign of a severe winter. Squirrels are specialists in the art of gathering nuts. So are the people who pick up filberts. And have you ever seen a squirrel or a filbert picker who had any competency as a prognosticator? They gather a lot of nuts simply because there happens to be a lot of nuts to gather. You've probably heard it before, but an Indian used to predict a bad winter because "white man put in lots of wood."

A hard military battle is almost invariably followed by stormy weather. Fannie discussed this with her friend Mr. McGoobler, who said, "So is a long dry spell." Troops are moved during good weather, and it takes a lot of time. Bad weather must inevitably follow, sometime. Even a weather man knows that.

Spading a garden is a back-breaking job, and it's no wonder. For an inch of rainfall covering an acre of ground weighs no less than 100 tons. Naturally, it packs the ground down hard. Or should it be hardly? We hardly think so.

Meteorologically speaking, Oklahoma is the windiest state in the union. Metaphorically speaking, it's still California. The largest hailstones ever measured were those which fell in New South Wales, Australia, in February of 1847. They were 14 inches in circumference. Fannie says even kangaroos stuck their heads in the sand.

Science claims that dew doesn't fall. Comes the night and it's just there—like bill collectors when you stumble out of the bath tub to answer the doorbell. A monsoon is a wind that blows on the Asiatic coast. A bassoon is a mournful howl that blows from the left third row of a symphony orchestra.

California has the greatest, the mostest and the bestest of almost everything on earth. Its luring literature says so. But Fannie says Californians never mention the fact that more snow falls annually there than in any other state. One year, between Sacramento and the Nevada line, there had a fall of 783 inches. Think of it—California! And it was so cold, Fannie says, that locomotive firemen couldn't make enough steam to haul a caboose over the mountain.

No matter what your granddaddy told you, night air is healthier than day air. This despite the fact that nightbirds frequently die younger. The coldest winter on record was that of 1708-09, when the bluebirds (but don't quote Fannie and I) froze suspended in mid-air over the cliffs of Dover. The coldest night on record was in January, 1927, when we couldn't get the Essex started. Not even with a steam hose and a blow torch.

There are nine climate belts in the United States, each being marked by a range of five degrees

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Date for Rose Show Changed

NORTH HOWELL—The rose show at the home of Mrs. Thomas Bump is to be Friday, May 29, instead of June 3 as was formerly planned. The change was made to accommodate those who wished to use their exhibits for Memorial day. The show, sponsored by the North Howell Grange Home Economics club, will be in the nature of a silver tea.

Everyone is invited to bring roses early in the afternoon to be classed in the following: single rose in individual container; group of three roses; bowls, vases and baskets of one variety and mixed; all white kind and low arrangement; all kind of blooms; twin arrangements; breakfast table decorations; foliage plants; unusual arrangements; and bowls, vases and baskets of all flowers in bloom.

Mrs. Bump has general charge of home arrangements, Mrs. A. T. Cline and Mrs. C. E. Waltman of flowers, and Mrs. A. B. Wiesner will have charge of the guest book.

Guests are also invited to contribute to the flower question box—answers by the judge will constitute an informal program. An invitation is extended to all flower and garden enthusiasts.

Car Stolen At Lebanon

LEBANON—John Brown left the key in his car when he parked it Monday night in front of his house. When he went out a short while later to get the key the car was being driven down the street.

Night Officer Cyrus Hardy responded to the call and trailed the stolen car. When the men in Brown's car realized that they were being chased they set the throttle, left the car in gear and jumped. The car swerved and struck Officer Hardy's car, grazed a telephone pole, crossed several vacant lots before being stopped. The only damage done was to the police car which was badly dented. No arrests have been made.

Build Observation Post Building

LIBERTY—This and surrounding districts are much more air conscious lately. Each family has been solicited for service on the airplane observation post. At least one member of many families is now responsible for a minimum of one four-hour shift on duty at the post once every four weeks. Day and night watching is being done continuously.

Since the start of the busy season many of the volunteers who had served in the winter were unable to continue. Mrs. L. D. Walker solicited each house for volunteer watchers and the response was good.

The observation work had been carried on all winter from the porch of the home of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Williams. Now through funds from local and nearby community organizations, an observation post shack has been built on a nearby hilltop.

Will Explain Food Preservation to Unit

PRATUM—Canning on rationed sugar, freezing, drying and various methods of preserving foods will be explained and demonstrated by Frances Clinton, county home demonstration agent, at the Pratum home extension unit when it meets at the Lynds home next Monday afternoon rather than Tuesday. This meeting is Pratum's fifth and final meeting of the season. As usual, for all extension meetings, it is open to all women interested in attending.

In mean annual temperature, Oregon has the most comfortable belt. All the other states have belts that are either too tight or too loose. Some states couldn't even keep their pants up, and had to switch to suspenders.

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Why Adolph!



Some thing new has been added to the gadgets on President Roosevelt's desk in the White House. Look in lower left-hand corner of the picture and you can spot it. The gadget is a statuette of Adolf Hitler bending over. Der Fuehrer offers the seat of his pants for a pin cushion. And the pin cushion is in use, too.

Annual Health Meet Held at Albany

LYTLE—Mrs. Saldie Orr Dunbar, secretary of the State Tuberculosis association, Portland, addressed the Linn county public health annual meeting in Albany Thursday night.

Fourteen girl friends attended joint birthday observance of Marlan Morrell and Betty Jeanne Foster at the latter's home in Scio a few days ago. Refreshments closed the afternoon of games and music.

"Bud" Harbison is employed at Camp Adair, it was stated here a few days ago when he and his bride, the former Georgia Foster, visited briefly at the Foster home in Scio.

Ray Zander is expected soon to

4H Clubs Hold Final Picnics

LIBERTY—The 4H Cooking club and their leader, Mrs. Joe Watt, held a wiener roast on the Karsten place Wednesday. The sewing club and leader, Mrs. Arthur McClellan, also closed their season with a wiener roast in the fir grove on the Van Loh place.

Mrs. L. D. Walker recently took her 4H Garden-club on a tour of the gardens and grounds of the state institution near Salem.

Delegates Named To Convention

BROOKS—The Brooks Garden club met at the home of Mrs. Louis Wampler for its regular business meeting Thursday. Mrs. Britt Aspinwall and Mrs. John Henny were elected as delegates to attend the national convention of Garden clubs, to be held in Salem June 16 and 17.

Present were Mrs. Ralph Worden, Miss Roseann Henny, and Mrs. Maurice Dunigan, Mrs. Willa Vinyard, Mrs. Margaret Zahare, Mrs. Minnie Dunigan, Mrs. Minnie Siegmund, Mrs. Florence Towers, Mrs. Eva Conn, Mrs. Bertha Streeter, Mrs. Eliza Conn, Mrs. Marie Bosch, Mrs. Elva Aspinwall, Mrs. Ilena Henny, Mrs. Bertha Bonn, Mrs. Anna Dunlavy, Mrs. Olive Beardsley, Mrs. Gertrude Reed, Mrs. Mary McClure and the hostess, Mrs. Mary Wampler.

The next meeting will be held Thursday at the home of Mrs. M. F. Day in Molalla.

return to Scio grade classes, following severe accident burning at his home a week ago.

After taking secretarial science at Oregon State college, Evelyn Kendle, graduate of Scio high has entered upon office work in Seattle. Richard Kendle, her brother and also a graduate of the local high school, has been employed at Boeing's in Seattle for some time.

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