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## New Point Rationing Is Explained By Chairman J. A. Berg

"Simplicity is the keynote of the new meats and fats rationing program just announced by the Office of Price Administration," said J. Arthur Berg, chairman of the Coquille War Price and Ration Board.

"Housewives will have no difficulty at all in shopping with their red ration stamps in War Ration Book Two when the new program goes into effect on March 29."

Although the ration list includes a wide variety of foods, including all meats and many cheeses, as well as shortenings and salad oil, butter and margarine, canned fish, and many other items, from the point of view of the housewife who does the shopping, it will really be a simple matter. "All these foods will be rationed with a single set of stamps," Mr. Berg pointed out, "and the busy housewife will have to consult only one table of point values to find out how many ration points any of these foods will cost."

"This latest program requires no registration of any kind," added Mr. Berg. "War Ration Books Two are already distributed, and when the program goes into effect, housewives will already have had a full month's experience in the use of their ration books in buying processed foods. Neither will consumers be asked to report any stocks of foods they may have on hand."

One of the few differences between the use of the blue and red stamps in War Ration Book Two, is the order in which stamps will be declared valid.

When rationing begins on March 29, the first set of stamps, marked A—worth 16 points—will be valid. Beginning on April 4, and then on each succeeding Sunday throughout April, an additional set of stamps will be validated. All these stamps, from "A" through "E" inclusive will remain valid all through the year—a total of 80 points per person for April.

Another difference in the use of the red stamps is that it permits retailers to make "Change" in ration stamps when a customer finds it impossible to give the exact amount of valid red stamps when making a purchase. Only one-point red stamps of any series currently valid may be used for this purpose.

During the week of April 4 to 10, for example, storekeepers may give

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## Margaret Paulson Married March 12

Miss Margaret Paulson, formerly of Coquille where she graduated from high school and lived for many years, was united in marriage last Friday at the home of a friend in Hollywood, where she has made her home for some years, to Mr. John Philip Cahn, a business man in Stockton, Calif., where they will make their home. Her sister here, Mrs. Guy Mauney, G says that they expect to be in Coquille soon for a visit.

Margaret was one of a group of Coquille girls, some years ago who called themselves the Pirates, and her marriage leaves but one of that group still not wedded—Miss Audrey Aasen, of Marshfield, who is so busy with her music that she has no time to think of a mere man.

## Justice Court Cases Here

Ernest Irvin Marang was taken before Justice Fred Bull last Friday by the state police, charged with "passing on a curve." He paid \$5.00 of the \$25 fine imposed and the balance was suspended.

Phil Alborn contributed \$2.00 to the justice court fees for permitting a minor to operate his car.

Carl H. Fisher, picked up by the Coquille police for trespassing on city private property, the right-of-way to the reservoir, claimed he was there only for the purpose of picking flowers and was released without penalty.

## \$678.75 In Bonds Purchased In February By Coos Employees

Voluntary purchases of Defense Bonds by Coos county employees who authorize the withholding of portions of their salaries each month, totaled for February, \$450 by the road department and \$318.75 by the court house crew.

## More Names Of Boys In Service

Last week the Sentinel printed the name of D. E. McCune as one of the men from Coquille and vicinity who was in the U. S. service now. The name was furnished the Sentinel by Ray Morley, Legion post adjutant here who has contributed most of the names already printed.

Last Friday Don McCune, in the office at the Smith plant called to say he didn't want to sail under false colors. He was in the service in World War I and is not in the present conflict, or in training for it. The name given Mr. Morley may have been spelled differently, but just who the D. E. McCune listed is has not been made clear.

Other names added to last week's 432 include those of: Byron Davis, Merle Davis, Carl Holmstrom, Orville Rody, Arnold Wide Rice, Gerald L. Pettengill, Harold Leo Young, Russell E. Young, Delbert James, Philip Reed, Svend Johansen, Harold Norris, Richard G. Cornelius. This brings the total to 445. Are there more not yet listed? Let us have their names.

## New State Law Affects Drivers

Oregon's new "safety responsibility" bill, passed by the recent legislature, has been signed by Gov. Snell and becomes an effective law on June 10.

Under its provisions any driver involved in an accident which results in injury or death or property damage, within ten days must present proof of his financial responsibility in the amount of at least \$11,000, or his driver's license and car registration will be cancelled. The license and registration would be revoked immediately if his insurance policy lapsed.

The act applies whether or not the driver was at fault, exception being allowed only in the case of a car legally parked at the time of the accident. After two years, if the driver paid no damages and no suit was brought against him, he would be permitted to drive and own a car again.

## Rat Blacks Out Coos County

As far as electric lights could do it, Coos county was completely blacked out for an hour, soon after midnight Sunday.

A rat, in the North Bend plant, was curious, or hungry, or perhaps just venturesome. At any rate he got up on the wire and between the bus bar and the switches managed to make a short which shut the plant down until the damage could be corrected. Nothing much of the rat remained except portions of his two hind legs.

## Taxes Sent To Municipalities

County Treasurer Stauff on Tuesday remitted to tax levying bodies of the county their shares of the tax moneys paid in at the tax collection department which have been turned over to him.

Of the \$77,753.96 remitted, \$47,637.99 went to school districts, \$17,259.90 to cities, \$9,980.94 to ports, and \$2,895.13 to drainage districts.

## Mrs. Cora Mackey Elected For 13th Time at Roy School

For the thirteenth successive year Mrs. Cora Mackey was elected by the directors this week to teach in the Roy school, District No. 44. She was given a salary boost to \$1350 per year, all of which indicates that the board and patrons are well satisfied with Mrs. Mackey's services.

## Home Nursing Class To Be Started

Mrs. W. E. Bosserman is chairman of the new Home Nursing Class, ready to be organized to include twenty or more members. Anyone interested in taking this course may register at the County Health Office in the court house or telephone Mrs. Bosserman at her home, 225J. Mrs. J. R. Bunch and Mrs. Naimi High, retired nurses, are ready to take charge of the class.

## J. A. Berg Is To Be City Attorney For The Duration

Fire Chief Snyder told the city council, at the regular monthly session of that body Monday evening, that he hoped the department would get the old Sitka mill burned this coming Sunday.

J. Arthur Berg, an ex-mayor of Coquille, was named as city attorney by Mayor Wood, and the appointment was confirmed by the council. The appointment, which Mr. Berg did not wish to accept permanently, was to be in effect during the absence of City Attorney Tallant Greenough who expects to be called for military service on April 6. His application for leave of absence was couched in a poetic vein and it was granted. The city attorney said he signed the following application, leaving the impression that Mrs. Greenough had written it:

Hon. Mayor and Common Council of the City of Coquille: From Ordinances, Resolutions, Rates and Budgets, I must leave and go wrestle with Uncle Sam's muskets. Instead of fighting over dogs and assessments, My job will now be to subdue Jap Aggressments. If the City sees fit to allow leave of absence, I will trade in my salary for Soldier Boy's pitance, And not come back for six months and duration, While everyone else gets the tax and the ration. As I rattle along in an old Army truck, I'll think of the Council still passing the buck, But when we have ended Herr Hitler's journey, I will come back again and be an attorney. If you'll grant me now what I am within, I'll pack my junk and first go fishin. Respectfully submitted, Tallant Greenough, City Attorney

The application of E. L. Perrott & Son for permission to repair the floor of the building where the bowling alley is located, with floor joists and a new floor, having been approved by the building inspector and fire chief, the council granted permission to make the repairs.

M. F. Pettit called attention to the altogether too frequent practice of breaking bottles on the street, and said there was also plate glass from windshields which are a threat to all tires. The police have been on the watch for bottle breakers but have been unable to catch the miscreants so far.

A resolution was adopted authorizing the city treasurer's intention to redeem \$10,000 worth of water fund bonds which have not yet reached maturity. A notice to that effect appears elsewhere in this issue and the bonds will be redeemed on May 1.

A city-owned lot on North Coulter street was sold to J. A. Hannon, his offer being \$25 down and \$25 a year for three years. The deferred payments will draw six per cent.

M. Day Austin was given permission to cut trees in Spring street, in the northeast corner of the city, where their shade keeps the sun from his garden lot.

School Superintendent B. W. Dunn was present to ask the council if enforcement of the curfew ordinance could not be made more effective. He told of 13, 14 and 15-year old boys who hang out at a front street resort until one or two o'clock in the morning, and whose parents admitted they could do nothing about it; the boys paid no attention to parental demands.

Mayor Wood's reply was that the police would co-operate in seeing that the youngsters got home earlier and asked Mr. Dunn to turn their names over to Chief Jack Arnold, which he said he would do.

Ralph Neph, who has been at the U. S. Naval Base Hospital at San Diego for the past eight months, came in yesterday and left last evening for his home in Eugene to await the call of the Selective Service board here. After being in the Navy for that eight months' period he was discharged because of his chronic sinus trouble.

Mrs. Walter Marriion returned home the first of this week from a ten-day trip to Portland.

## Does Not Agree With County Court

Pat Geaney who was the Coquille valley rancher quoted in the Sentinel last week, is still much perturbed because the cannery at the county farm is not to be operated this year. As to the help problem, it is no doubt correct that most of the women in Coquille would be willing to spend a day or two in the cannery this summer, helping save the surplus from Victory Gardens, by canning it. Pat also adds that the farmers all have the same help problem, and he does not agree with the county court's statement that because there is so large a stock of canned goods already on hand that it is not necessary to can any more this year, for with the armed forces taking so large a proportion of this year's pack of fruit and vegetables the amount of this kind of canned food available for civilian consumption may be so curtailed that the United States will, as Herbert Hoover says, go hungry next winter.

## F.S.A. To Buy Calves Next Week

Leonard W. Rice, of the Farm Security Administration here, announces that definite plans have been completed for the receiving of heifer calves all day next Wednesday, March 24, and until noon on Thursday, March 25.

The receiving center, which is the old Coos Seed Inc. warehouse, located at the end of South Hall street in Coquille, will be open to receive these calves from 8:00 a. m. to 5:00 p. m. on Wednesday, March 24, and from 8:00 a. m. until 12:00 noon on Thursday, March 25. It is necessary that all calves be delivered by noon on Thursday in order that shipment can be completed that afternoon.

It is a part of the Dairy Conservation program and it is requested that all those interested in the program, in any way, will attempt to secure some idea, from contact with papermen and truck drivers, of the approximate number of calves which the ranchers and dairymen are planning on selling to the government under the Dairy Animal Conservation program.

## More Red Cross Donations Needed

E. T. Stelle, Coquille Red Cross chairman, reports this morning that funds on hand from this month's drive now total \$1900 and that with the \$400 to \$500 which will come from the Arago and surrounding territory, as well as other expected contributions, that he can see \$2500 practically assured. But that amount will still leave the Coquille district \$500 short of meeting its quota.

## Friends Surprise The Newlyweds

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Gould were completely surprised last evening when a group of their friends took possession of their home, bringing with them all the requirements for a tempting dinner. After dinner the evening was spent visiting. The group was made up of Messrs. and Mesdames W. E. Bosserman, R. E. Bosserman, H. W. Pierce, Roy Booher, Mrs. Leona Bryant, Mrs. Harold Gould and two children and Clarence Osika.

## Guild Dinner In Parish House Last Evening

There were 60 in attendance at the Guild six o'clock dinner in the Parish House last evening, the first to be held since Rev. R. L. Greene entered upon his duties as vicar of St. James' Episcopal church, and it was a welcome to himself and Mrs. Greene. The ladies served an excellent repast which all present enjoyed.

Singing and visiting was the program for the rest of the evening after the seven o'clock dinner. Short talks by Elbert Schroeder, Mr. Greene and L. H. Hazard were interesting.

Evan Alborn went up to Portland last Friday evening hoping to bring back with him Saturday many of the needed repair parts and supplies for the Washer Service Co. here. Mrs. Phil Alborn and daughter Evelyn accompanied him and expect to remain up there for several months, both of them having been offered and accepted jobs in the shipyards at Vancouver.

Calling cards, 50 for \$1.00.

## Mrs. Thos. Dungey To Be Buried Saturday

Funeral services will be held Saturday, March 20, at the Gano Funeral Home, at 2:00 p. m., for Mrs. Thomas Dungey, who passed away at the Oregon State Hospital at Salem Tuesday night. Interment will be in the Odd Fellows cemetery.

Mrs. Dungey was born Elizabeth Tann in England 82 years ago, and came to the United States many years later. She was married to Mr. Dungey in Jackson county, Oregon, in 1894, and they came to Coquille in 1917.

Besides her husband she is survived by two sons, Alton F. Dungey, of Coquille; Lester H. Dungey, of Seapooze, Ore. A daughter, Mrs. Eunice Garrett, died at Klamath Falls seven years ago. Surviving step children are: Frank Dungey and Mrs. Ada McClellan, of Coquille, and Mrs. Archie Woolard, of Eureka, Calif.

## Dave Biegger Is At Farragut, Ida.

A news item from the Navy training station at Farragut, Idaho, says that David B. Biegger, Coquille furniture merchant, has begun his recruit training there. "This future Blue-Jacket," the item says, "will be instructed in the fundamentals of seamanship as well as undergo a thorough physical training program which will make him into a seasoned sailor, ready to join the hardest hitting Navy in the world. On graduation, he will be given an opportunity to qualify for one of the many Service Schools available for Navy enlisted personnel where he may receive additional training in a specialized field, or be assigned to one of the units of the fleet for action against the enemy."

## Tom Martin To Receive Wings

Tom Martin returned from Seattle last Friday evening, with wings. That is, he had been accepted for the V5 Naval Aviation Reserve, but with no definite information when he will be called. He was told, however, that he would go to the flying school at St. Mary's College.

Two other high school boys—Bob Kline and Jack McCracken—are working to get their papers in shape to enlist in the Reserve which is only open to boys of 17 years, and Clarence Osika says that the young men accepted are sent home to complete their high school education.

## The Floyd Watsons Move To Florence

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Watson are moving to Florence Ore., this week. Mr. Watson has been transferred from Swift and Co. to the Cushman Cheese Plant to act as foreman. Mrs. Watson has been clerk for Farm Securities in the Laird Building for the past nine months. She and her small daughter, Louise, will leave for Florence next Saturday where they will live for the present. Mr. Watson has been with the Swift plant here for the past year and a half. Mrs. Dora Horn, formerly with Western Mercantile Agency, will take Mrs. Watson's place in the F. S. A. office.

## Dance Saturday Night Opens Spring

The opening of spring dance will be given by the Coquille Junior Woman's Club in the Community Building this coming Saturday evening, March 20, with dancing between the hours of 9:30 and 12:30 to the music by Shady's Orchestra. Admission, including tax, will be 55 cents per person.

As the ladies of the club say, "You will miss a good time if you fail to attend this Spring Opening Dance."

## Ration Books Calendar

Gasoline—"A" book coupon No. 4 expires March 21.

Sugar—Coupon No. 12 (5 lb.) valid March 16. Must last through the end of May, or 11 weeks.

Coffee—Stamp No. 25 (1 lb.) expires March 21.

Tires—Class A. First inspection deadline March 31.

Fuel oil—Period Four coupons expire April 6 in zones C and D; April 12 in zone B; April 17 in zone A. Period 5 coupons are now valid in all zones.

## Exams To Be Held For 17-Year Old Officer Candidates

On April second, at 9:00 a. m. an examination will be given at the Coquille High School by Principal Clarence Osika for individuals who would like to take the Army and Navy College Training Tests (V12 and A12) for selection of Officer candidates. Any individual who takes the test must meet the following qualifications. No others will be permitted to take it.

Qualifications: (a) High School and preparatory school graduates who will have attained their 17th and not their 20th birthdays by July 1, 1943, regardless of whether they are presently attending college.

(b) High School and preparatory school seniors who will be graduated by July 1, 1943, provided they will have attained their 17th and not their 20th birthdays by this time.

(c) Students who will have attained their 17th and not their 20th birthdays by July 1, 1943, who do not hold certificates of graduation from a secondary school but who are now continuing their education in an accredited college or university. Furthermore, to be eligible for selection, you must:

(a) Be a male citizen of the United States.

(b) Be morally and physically qualified for this program, including a minimum uncorrected visual acuity of 18/20 in each eye.

(c) Be unmarried, and agree to remain unmarried until commissioned, unless sooner released by the Navy or Army Department.

(d) Evidence potential officer qualifications, including appearance and scholarship records.

Men now enlisted in any branch of the armed services, including V-1, V-5, V-7 reserves on inactive status, are not eligible to take this test.

The examination starts promptly at 9:00 a. m. and will last two hours. Late individuals will not be admitted to the test. Obtain your admission blanks from C. S. Osika. These blanks must be signed by your high school principal.

## Dr. Glaisyer Is Slowly Improving

Writing to renew their subscription to the Sentinel, Mrs. W. V. Glaisyer writes from their home in Redmond:

We enjoyed a visit with Allington last week. He is now Captain Roland A. Glaisyer of the U. S. Army and is stationed at Chicago.

Betty and Forrest have been at Sioux City, Iowa. Captain Kerby is in the Air Corps. We expect Betty home soon for the duration.

Dorothy is in the Educational or Training Department at Meier and Frank's in Portland.

Dr. Glaisyer is improving slowly and can walk a little with our help. We hope he will be able to go to Coquille for a real visit before the year is over.

Please give our best regards to our friends in Coquille.

## Two Real Estate Deals Reported

The Geo. Oerding real estate agency this morning reports two deals completed the past week. Lots 7 and 8 of Block 19, Elliott's Addition, between First and Second on Elliott street, and which were owned by Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Steward, who live near this city, were sold to J. H. Brown, of Eugene. The purchaser is the father of Waldo Brown, proprietor of the Industrial Repair Co., and a portion of the purchase will be used as a rear entrance to the machine shop plant. The three houses on the lots will be continued as rental property.

The Floyd E. Watson house and lot, at the north end of Henry street bridge was sold to Mr. and Mrs. James Kinsey. Mr. Kinsey is employed at the Smith Wood-Products plant, and they expect to occupy their new home soon.

## Cold Nights The Past Week—Thermometer Below 32 Degrees

The thermometer has stood below freezing every morning this week, twice being 29 degrees and other mornings 30 or 31. The daily range has seldom been 25 degrees and one day was only ten degrees.