

Out-of-Doors Stuff

by LANS LENEVE

It was with a great deal of interest that we read of the big trap shoot held back east a short time back in which a lady was crowned champion of the gentle sex and a man won top honors facing strong competition. For several days dozens of men and women fired thousands of shells at the blue-rocks. Now what struck us as being a strange thing about the whole affair was the fact that

these trap shots were able to obtain ammunition to burn for the sake of winning a few silver loving cups, while at the same time the sportsmen of America are clamoring loudly for a couple of boxes of shotgun shells in order to bag a few ducks for the table and to date the majority of sportsmen have been deprived of even such a small amount of ammunition as two boxes of shells.

The duck season has been extended, the limit increased and there is practically no ammunition available at the present writing. And in addition to this, the Government stepped in and grabbed a large percentage of the shells that were to be placed on the market for sportsmen.

As we understand it, there are several munition plants idle at the present time and in addition to this, ammunition bobs up in plentiful lots while other places are not given any.

There is a certain factory that manufactures shells especially for the Government—The Federal Cartridge Corp., of Minneapolis. So what we cannot understand is as to why the Government should step in and grab off half the ammunition allotted to sportsmen when they have a munition works of their own, choosing to put out ammunition for them?

In the first place it is a lot of hoey, this depriving us of ammunition and allowing trapshoots to be held where there are thousands of rounds of shells shot away in a useless fashion.

It is our personal opinion that the New Deal is still bearing down on us in this rationing of shells—curbing us on ammunition as they are on gas, on tires and on a lot of other commodities that it is unnecessary to ration. They are merely putting on the pressure—dictating to the sportsmen as to just how many shells they may be allowed to shoot. Then they flaunt an extended season and an increased bag limit in our faces, while at the same time they cut down on our ammunition. It's the same position of setting a fine meal before a starving man and then binding his hands behind him and tying him in his chair several

feet from the table.

There is something amiss somewhere and although we cannot lay our finger directly upon the source of it, we are fully aware of the fact that there is something screwy somewhere—either a movement afoot to disarm the citizens by not furnishing them with ammunition, or as has been stated before, by dictating to them just what they HAVE to do. But be that as it may, there is an ammunition shortage and an acute one so far as duck hunters are concerned and it still remains a mystery to us as to how trap shoots are held and where they get the ammunition to shoot the clay birds with.

It is our honest and frank opinion that by voting the New Deal out at the coming election that under a new administration we couldn't be any where worse off on the ammunition situation than we are at the present time and that the chances are great that under an administration that would not wish to dictate to the American people that there would be an abundance of ammunition for every sportsman.

Day Set To Honor Coos Rural Women

Saturday, November 4, has been the day set aside by the Coos County Home Economics Advisory Committee to honor all rural women of Coos county for the contribution they have made on the home and farm front, according to Mrs. Harland Montgomery, chairman of the committee.

An invitation to attend a special meeting held in honor of these women is being issued to all women in Coos county and especially the rural women. A special program is being arranged by the committee which will include a Style Revue of recently remodeled garments by the homemakers, special music and a special speaker from Oregon State College in Corvallis.

The meeting will be held in the Odd Fellows Hall in Coquille from 10:30 a. m. and 3 p. m. on Saturday, November 4. A planned luncheon will be in charge of the committee.

As an added feature the County Committee is sponsoring a contest to determine the rural woman who has made the greatest contribution to the "Food for Freedom" program. All rural groups are urged to select some woman from their community who has done considerable farm work in addition to maintaining her family group and made her contribution to community activities. The name of the person selected should be sent to Mrs. Montgomery not later than November 1 and should include the following information: Name and address of candidate, type of work done, number of hours per day and number of days devoted to such work since January 1, 1944, size of farm, statement as to keeping family going, list of community activities. All reports should be sent in triplicate since the three judges will judge independently, none of them knowing who the other one is. The woman who has made the greatest contribution will receive an award from the County Committee which will be presented by Mrs. Sheldon Sackett, Marshfield, member of the State Board of Higher Education. Mrs. Sackett will also be a guest speaker at the noon lunch.

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Coquille Unit Red Cross Notes

Coquille Red Cross will meet Friday, October 20, from 1:30 to 4:30 p. m. in Guild Hall. Until the hospital sewing material arrives the ladies will concentrate on knitting, crocheting, afghan laprobes, wash cloths, piecing baby quilts, sewing baby bonnets, etc., says Mrs. D. B. Kesner, chairman of production.

The Unit will be pleased to receive pieces of pink and blue outing flannel, and light figured outing flannel, as well as bits of narrow lace edging, narrow ribbon braid, tape, or any other suitable trimming for baby caps. Can also use colored mercerized cotton thread, colored wool yarn, pieces of wool material and pink or blue yarn suitable for crocheting or knitting infants' booties.

Another large shipment of used clothing for Russian Relief has been sent to their warehouse in Portland for overseas transportation.

The following are thanked for contributions for relief clothing, unbleached muslin, colored yarn and wool material: Mesdames Frank Thrift, R. A. Jeub, Ruth Candlin, Constance Pownder, D. J. Sage, F. A. Pook, F. Homenyk, John Bullack and J. A. Berg.

Visitors last Friday included: Mesdames P. O. Lund, O. Klingbeal, Victor West, Geo. L. Maynard, W. E. Marrion, Walter Homenyk and Roy A. Boober. Mrs. C. E. Benham, who has been away from Coquille for some time, was welcomed back to the work group again.

Through error, Mrs. Ida Owen was credited with 14 afghan laprobes instead of the seven she has made. To Mrs. Earl Nosler goes the credit for the high score of 14.

Mrs. L. P. Fugelson of Sanford Heights has kindly agreed to take over a part of the workroom cutting, replacing Mrs. L. A. Lundquist. Mrs. A. N. Gould will continue as cutter, as she has been since a workroom was established. Mrs. C. L. Tuttle is recovering nicely from an appendectomy in Knife Hospital. Her work at the general work table will be temporarily taken over by Mrs. F. C. True. Our Mrs. J. A. Hannon was not badly injured in the recent plane crash. Workers will be pleased to know that both Mrs. Geo. M. Griggs and Mrs. W. E. Bosserman are improving rapidly at their homes and that Mrs. A. M. McIntee is still confined to her home but is now able to perform small household duties.

Mothers, wives and sisters of men overseas are invited to copy and bring in addresses at one of the early meetings in order that Christmas cards may be sent the men shortly.

"We usually find time for the things we really want to do. Won't you arrange to keep Friday afternoon free for the Red Cross," says Mrs. Kesner.

Coquille Extension Unit Starts Year's Demonstration Program

The Coquille Extension Unit held the first meeting of the year last Thursday, at 10:30 a. m. at the home of Mrs. G. C. Ashenfeller, 196 So. Division Street at East Third. The demonstration "Dry Cleaning at Home," was given by Mrs. Dorothy Dunn. The demonstration emphasized safety precautions, spot and stain removal, and factors that are essential for satisfactory dry cleaning at home. This demonstration is one of a series that are being presented to 19 extension units throughout the county.

The same demonstration was given four years ago at which time 254 women attended and later reported experiencing a saving of \$1026.

Mrs. Geo. Ransom, chairman of the Coquille Unit, extends an invitation to any woman in Coquille or vicinity to become a member of their unit. Future demonstrations include "Conserve With the Scrap Bag," "Home Recreation," "Oven Meals," "Using Milk, Eggs, and Cheese," "Furniture Arrangements," "Use of Sewing Machine Attachments," and "Giving Home Sewing a Professional Touch." The group meets on the third Thursday of every month.

Activities Of Two Coquille Girls At The University

Nancy Boles, of Coquille, president of the House Librarians group on the campus at the University in Eugene, took part in the first of the recorded concert series last Sunday, October 15. A Mexican musical program was presented.

Another Coquille girl, Marilyn Sage, has been named on the decorations committee for the first all-campus dance of the year. The affair, planned jointly by members of Kwama, Sophomore women's honorary, and Skull and Dagger, sophomore men's honorary, will be held October 21. The "hello" theme will be used.

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