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## Sec. of Agriculture Asks for Extra Chickens

"Help beat the meat shortage" by raising an extra batch of fall and winter chickens is the call going out this week from Oregon's USDA war board to every Oregon poultryman who has the facilities.

Secretary of Agriculture Claude R. Wickard has asked for 209,000,000 extra chickens to increase civilian meat supplies. A goal of "200 chickens from a million poultrymen" has been set. Oregon's poultry industry is asked to add to its impressive record of increased egg production by operating poultry production equipment "an extra shift" during the normally slack season.

The additional chickens can be produced with existing facilities and without interfering with production of chicks to replace laying flocks in 1943, believes N. R. Bennion, extension poultryman at Oregon State college. Many poultrymen can utilize empty brooder houses and idle heating equipment to raise chickens to a three-pound weight and market them before 1943 egg production demands their attention, he pointed out. In addition, turkey producers who normally use part of their equipment to turn out a batch of fall fryers can increase the number, Bennion said.

As most of the chickens raised under the program will have to be started in October or November, an increased hatchery output will be necessary during this off-season period, the extension specialist said. Oregon hatcherymen will be asked to cooperate in the program. Moderate priced, high quality feed will be available to raise the extra chickens, poultrymen are advised. Plenty of wheat can be obtained through the feed wheat program, and oil cake will shortly be available through a similar program.

John Loughlin, Ashland's pioneer printer, has been admitted to the Sacred Heart hospital in Medford for a general check-up and a much needed and deserved rest. Mr. Loughlin has the Miner's best wishes.

It is mighty good to see Elwood Hedberg back in his old chair at the Bank again. Mr. Hedberg is commuting between the First National Bank of Medford and the First National Bank of Ashland, while A. H. Wenner is on a two weeks' vacation.

## Jackson County Going Into High Gear

With the army inspired and supervised metal scrap drive for Jackson County going into high gear, Camp White officials announced today that enlisted personnel numbering hundreds of specially trained soldiers are now combing the camp area for the precious scrap.

The Camp White 'scrappers' as they have been aptly named, have been thoroughly trained to spot the valuable metal and to discard that which is unusable at the present time. Supervised by Major Lyman V. Williamson, Camp salvage officer who is also in charge of the scrap drive, the soldier detail is charged with the sizeable task of seeing that every usable piece of scrap in the camp is collected.

"There is much scrap metal lying about the reservation," explained Major Williamson, "which remained after the contractors had finished building the cantonment. Some of it is buried under piles of dirt, and much of it is rusting in ditches and open fields. In addition there are hundreds of pounds of nails scattered about the camp. We intend to get it all and eventually procure a giant magnet mounted on a truck with which we can gather the nails and other small scrap. It is the little things that will win this war—and we do not intend to miss any bets," he said.

Reports of the first day's collection in the countywide drive have been gratifying. Major Williamson also reported, and high praise given to Jackson county citizens for their response to the army appeal for scrap.

**CAMP WHITE FISHING**—Immediate compliance and cooperation of all Camp White personnel with the recent order of the Oregon State Game Commission closing all streams and forest areas to hunting and fishing was announced today by headquarters, Camp White, Oregon.

Section X of Camp regulations provides that all provisions of the laws of the State of Oregon and the United States pertaining to the taking of fish and game, other than the procurement of a state hunting and fishing license will be complied with on the reservation of Camp White.

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## Women in Airplane Plants Show Great Adaptability on Many Jobs

Many of the women now doing ordinary assembly work in airplane plants throughout the nation can be trained so that they can fill positions requiring high degrees of skill and responsibility.

This information, besides many other important and helpful industrial notes, was learned as a result of a nation-wide field survey made by the women's bureau, U. S. department of labor.

According to the report, women work on most of the manufacturing processes that go into the fabrication and assembly of an airplane. There is hardly a department in most of the massive airplane production plants that women are not holding down a position, and making good at it.

Up to the present, women were hired largely to increase growing production forces. However, they will be recruited in large numbers to replace young men going into military service. One company expected to take on 2,000 additional women riveters.

Due to varying factors in war production, many firms hesitated to estimate the numbers or proportions of women in their anticipated future personnel, but all the plants visited expected a steady growth in the number of women employees and the production activities assigned to them, indicating that at

peak production the number of women will have increased six or seven times the number in the early spring of '42.

It is currently estimated that 250,000 women will be in the aircraft industry by the end of this year as compared to some 2,000 women production workers in the aircraft assembly plants late in 1941.

The majority of plants reported a minimum hiring age of 18 years, but usually stated that preference was given to women over 21. Some personnel managers added that women from 25 to 40 years were preferred. Special employment policies in regard to family status, such as hiring only wives and daughters of men employees, are fast disappearing as the available labor supply dwindles.

As the aircraft subcontracting program gains momentum it will come into prominence as a major field of employment for women in war industries.

A great opportunity for women's employment exists in the sub-assembly plants because the parts and plane sections are comparatively small, and because specialization in production has given rise to the breaking down of operations entailing much more repetitive work which women can learn easily and quickly.

## Ashland U. S. O. The Friendly Club

Ashland U.S.O. is fast becoming known as the "Friendly Club" to soldiers from Camp White. There were approximately 200 soldiers who took advantage of one U.S.O. activities this last Sunday. The doors were opened at 10:30 A.M. and from that moment they poured in! Some to write letters back home, others to read the Sunday papers and magazines—still others to make inquiry about various church services or to take out game equipment, shave for dinner invitations, or to talk over many personal problems—such as a coming military wedding—or a job for the wife who is soon to arrive. The high-light of the day was the venison feed—with noodles, cabbage salad with sour cream dressing and home-made bread—this last item contributed by Mrs. L. H. Jacks. Dr. Chas. Haines and his son, Keith, Ashland's most consistent "deer bringer-inners", positively amazed the soldier guests, (especially the New Yorkers.) by driving up in front of the U.S.O. and pulling out of the trunk of the car, two magnificent deer—thus giving a dramatic touch to the venison feed. During the "Cook Your Own Dinner", Corporal Frank Todaro, of New York, and his soldier aids, took charge of the kitchen, cutting cabbages, boiling noodles and making coffee, while Junior Hostesses, Mary Jean Hendricks and Ann Munkres, whipped up the salad dressing. And soon Madge Mitchell was lying around the tables with bowls of delicious venison.

Connie Ehrheart, also a Junior Hostess helped with games or was on the dance giving soldiers her friendliest smiles. Miss Florence Allen, Senior Hostess says that more Volunteer Senior Hostesses are needed, especially after church and until 5 o'clock on Sundays. The October schedule is now being made up. Men or women interested in helping to serve the fighting men, please phone, or call at the U.S.O. building.

The clean-up squad, headed by Pfc. Paul Mount, of Ohio, and Pfc. Harold C. Lynch of Los Angeles, was assisted by Mary Jean Hendricks, Ashland High School teacher, Lova Dusenbury, Junior Hostess, of Medford, and Mesdames Adna Wood and Edith Good.

The young people then gathered in the main room for a program of music.

Mrs. C. Clyde Dunham sang the following group of songs, which were greatly appreciated: "The Little Brown Bird", "Sylvia", "Dawn", and "The Sweetest Story Ever Told"—and was asked to repeat the last number, that the group might sing with her.

Cay Huffman was at the piano and in her usual good form for her Sunday night "Sing-Song" which followed Mrs. Dunham's group of songs.

One of the private sang a Lullaby, his own composition, which was also well received. During the morning on Sunday, Mrs. Small conducted a "Philosophers' Hour" and several literary expressions were turned in. One of them stood out especially, contributed by Corp. L. J. Monico, whose mother was a French Prima

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## We Must Have The Scrap and Have It Now

"We are facing a crisis. In our war production program. Unless we salvage enough metal scrap—scrap iron and steel—we are not going to meet our production quotas, and our men and our Allies are not going to get the materials they need—in time. The situation is serious. Let us not once again be—too little—too late."

This is the ABC of the metal scrap drive now being conducted in Jackson county by the Army officials of Camp White, Oregon. Major Lyman V. Williamson, Camp White Salvage Officer in charge of the scrap drive, revealed today in an interview.

"We must have the scrap," he said, "and we must have it now. That is the reason the Army has stepped in to cooperate with other governmental agencies in the scrap collection drive."

Major Williamson also told of the type scrap which is most urgently needed at the present time and what war materials such scrap would produce for our fighting men.

"We need old stoves, radiators, plumbing, tools, iron bed ends, cooking utensils, rods, batteries, tire chains, furnace grates, pipes of all kinds, lighting fixtures, all types of unused farm machinery," he said. "In fact, we need anything metal with the exception of galvanized products."

"All these things," he went on, "will help make shells, guns, ships, tanks, armored cars, submarines and all machines and arms of war. Give your scrap now—and give it quickly. Just get to your telephone and call the Camp White Salvage Officer, Phone 5221, Extension 16, or Mr. G. S. Fowler, County Agricultural Agent in the Courthouse Building." Major Williamson concluded.

## THIS AND THAT (By Old Timer)

**To the Editor:** Subsidies for farmers or wage earners merely transfer inflation costs from consumers to taxpayers.

For the emergency union leaders would do well to see that their "no-strike" pledge is kept.

It is said that Hitler is dissatisfied with Quisling. That about makes it unanimous.

Franco proved that he really was a dictator when he fired his brother-in-law and got away with it.

China has staked claims to some airfields which will be fine jumping-off places for bomb-bearing traffic to Tokyo.

Farmers are worried about a shortage of help. The farm hand who used to go to town on Saturday night now has gone to stay.

When the war is over and sugar is no longer rationed, Uncle Zeke opines that life will be sweeter.

Laval must be getting skeered. He has organized his own special corps of Troops.

Selfishness is the cardinal sin of the age.

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Jake (in drug store): "I want to buy a plow."

Clerk: "I am sorry, sir, but we don't carry plows."

Jake: "This is a hell of a drug store."

Approximately 45 members of the Ashland Gof club attended a covered-dish dinner at the Club House last Sunday.

Hostesses for this enjoyable event were Mrs. Frank VanDyke and Mrs. C. I. J. Porter. Many of the members came early and played several rounds of golf during the afternoon.

## CAMP WHITE ANNOUNCES NEW TRAFFIC RULES

In line with the government's policy towards decreasing the speed limit in the interests of conservation, as outlined by Governor Sprague's recent proclamation, all military personnel at Camp White will limit army vehicle speed out of camp to thirty five miles per hour, it was announced today by Headquarters, Camp White, Oregon.

Camp White's traffic regulations have been so amended, the announcement added. The lower speed will effect a substantial savings of gasoline and rubber.

Though Spanish is the official language of Guatemala, many Indians of the country speak dialects that have come down straight from Mayan forebears.

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## DEER HUNTING

All National Forest lands in the State of Oregon have been closed by the Regional Forester under Federal Regulations on account of high fire hazard, effective September 22, according to Karl L. Janouch, Forest Supervisor of the Rogue River National Forest. Highways and county roads, improved forest camps and summer home areas will be open, but no other areas may be entered except by those employed or having urgent business therein, and then only after securing written permit from a forest officer. No permits will be required of any actual settler going to or from his home.

Mr. Janouch pointed out that, in effect, this will close to hunting all of the Rogue River National Forest except the small portion lying in California, and will also prevent fishing except at Lake O'Woods, where there is an improved forest camp. This supercedes the closures previously in effect on this Forest this year and contrary to former ruling fishermen will not be permitted to reach streams which parallel nearby roads.

The closure will affect Forest Service employees as well as all others, instructions having been issued to prohibit them from shooting game while in the forest, and all violations of the closure must necessarily be prosecuted without favor or discrimination.

Mr. Janouch said that it is hoped that weather conditions will permit lifting the closure before the end of the hunting season.—Medford News.

## PEDESTRIAN FATALITIES

More than half the pedestrian annual fatalities reported in Oregon occur during the last four months of the year, Earl Snell, secretary of state, declared today in urging motorists and persons on foot to increase their precautions as the fall and winter approaches.

"In 1941, for example, 52 per cent of the pedestrian fatalities during the year occurred in the months of September, October, November and December," Snell said. "The month of December, with 22 pedestrian deaths, was the worst month of the year while September, with 14 deaths was second."

Longer hours of darkness and adverse weather conditions were listed by the secretary of state as the chief factors in this increase in pedestrian accidents during the last four months of the year. The bad weather and darkness combine to lower visibility and wet road and street surfaces make for poor stopping conditions in traffic.

"Many persons have the erroneous belief that drivers of cars with bright headlights can see pedestrians, even on the darkest night," Snell said, "but what they fail to understand is that these drivers see only by the light that is reflected from the object in their headlight beams. Thus, the person with dark clothing, reflects only about five per cent of the light that strikes him and consequently, the driver may not see the individual in time to avoid an accident."

Pedestrians are urged to wear or carry something white at night or display a lighted flashlight. Workmen are advised to paint their lunch buckets white as a precautionary measure.

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## This Week in WASHINGTON

Washington, D. C. (NWS)—Congress had its busiest week in many months when it rushed through debate on the bill to stabilize wages and farm prices and when the senate tackled the problem of putting through the biggest tax bill in history.

Although there was considerable disagreement on the anti-inflation measure, the farm groups and the labor groups fighting to guard the interests of their members, the measure met less opposition than was expected—largely, it is believed, because of the President's threat that if congress didn't act before October 1 he would use his war powers to dictate a policy on wages and farm price control.

It is not expected that food prices to the consumer will be reduced because of the measure, but there probably will be no increase permitted on foods excepting those few which have been selling at an unusually low price. The measure is expected to put an end to strikes and prevent demands for wage increases, although there are loopholes which would lead to demands for higher pay if the cost of living increases appreciably.

Whether the measure will freeze prices and wages completely depends entirely on the President, since "adjustments" can be made by him if he considers them necessary.

In addition to wage and price stabilization, job stabilization is expected to be insisted upon in the next few months. One of the biggest recent problems in war production is that of men shifting from one plant to another in order to get better wages. There have been instances, for example, where an airplane factory which is short of men will raid another airplane factory to take away men by offering higher pay. In addition to this type of piracy, it is natural that workers themselves are on the lookout for better jobs and make changes whenever they see prospects of a fatter pay envelope. This trend has caused inefficiency and delays in many factories.

To cope with this situation, two steps already have been taken by the government: (1) The War Manpower commission, headed by Paul McNutt, has ordered workers in the non-ferrous metals and lumber industries to obtain a "certificate of separation" from the United States Employment service before leaving their jobs to take new jobs; (2) President Roosevelt gave the War Manpower commission complete

control over 2,300,000 federal employees so that the commission can transfer any of them to other duties, either with the government or in private industry.

These are the first two steps of many which will probably be taken in the next few months to see to it that every man is doing the job which makes him most useful to his country. As a result of the occupational questionnaires filled in by all men up to the age of 65, the government now has a complete record of the abilities of each man and will, when necessary, assign men to jobs. With such a large number of young men now in the armed forces, and with more jobs to fill in factories than we have ever had before, the manpower problem is becoming increasingly alarming. Because of this, the right to take a job or leave it, which has been such a cherished right in this country, may soon be denied to all of us for the duration.

Another form of conscription, which is being talked about here more and more, is the conscription of goods owned by the people. The whole policy of the administration so far has been against such methods, but the increasing need for such things as scrap metal, rubber, textiles and automobiles may bring about a rapid change in this attitude.

One congressman already has written a bill which would give the President power to order the confiscation of our automobiles whenever he considers it necessary—and the bill provides for a fund of \$5,000,000,000 to pay us for the automobiles taken. It is not expected that this bill, or any order calling for the confiscation of automobiles will be put through at present, but it is a possibility. And the continued use of millions of pounds of rubber tires for unnecessary driving is apt to hasten action.

What will happen about automobiles, tires, gasoline rationing, speed limits, etc., from now on will be in the hands of William M. Jeffers, president of the Union Pacific railroad, who has been given full authority to direct our nation's rubber program.

The failure of many towns and cities to do a successful job in the collection of scrap metal is also apt to lead to some sort of confiscation. It is vital that the steel mills be kept going at full speed—and if this scrap can't be obtained by voluntary means other methods will have to be adopted.

