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Army Emergency Relief To Be Used To Aid Dependents

Greater utilization of the emergency aid facilities available to dependents of Army personnel through the Army Emergency Relief was urged today by Headquarters, Camp White, Oregon.

In some instances recently, dependents of service men have suffered needless hardships and distress from causes incident to military activities. Wives have been stranded without funds mothers and children have failed to receive insurance or pension payments, other dependents have been unable to obtain needed food or medicine, and the individuals involved did not avail themselves of the assistance that Army Emergency Relief provides.

Supplementing the work of the Red Cross in social cases, and cooperating fully with that organization, Army Emergency Relief was formed to deal with just such difficulties.

Without regard to the degree of relationship, dependents of all components of the army on active service as well as the dependents of retired, honorably discharged or deceased soldiers have equal rights to the emergency aid.

Any postoffice, Army post, camp or station and Red Cross chapter or field office is authorized to help dependents obtain immediate assistance through Army relief.

Clevenger Heads New AMA Region

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 21—Greater decentralization of the work of the Agricultural Marketing Administration, U. S. Department of Agriculture's purchasing agency for Lend-Lease, Red Cross and domestic programs, was seen today in the reorganization order issued from Washington by Roy Hendrickson, AMA administrator.

Merritt A. Clevenger, formerly regional director of AMA purchase and distribution branches in the eleven western states, has been named regional administrator for all AMA action programs in the new Pacific region which includes California, Oregon, Washington, Arizona, Nevada, Alaska and the Hawaiian Islands.

Out of the former four large regions AMA has created seven regions along geographic lines more suited to war conditions. Regional offices will be located at San Francisco, Denver, Des Moines, Dallas, Atlanta, Chicago and New York.

Purpose of the new regionalization is to delegate greater authority to the field to speed action in the purchase and transporting of agricultural commodities. To accomplish this each regional administrator will act as the personal representative of Mr. Hendrickson in order to facilitate decisions.

The AMA purchase branch last year procured approximately \$100,000,000 of western food for Lend-Lease, Red Cross and other governmental needs. The western distribution branch made food available to nearly 600,000 children a month in the school lunch program and to 385,000 persons a month through the food stamp plan.

Mr. Clevenger has been supervising the purchases of the Agricultural Marketing Administration for the west coast since July 1, 1940, with offices at San Francisco. Prior to that he was with the Michigan State Department of Agriculture for five years. Born and raised on an Indiana farm, Clevenger understands agriculture and its problems.

Car Accident Costs Two Soldiers' Lives

An automobile accident which happened on the Table Rock road near Camp White at 12:10 Monday morning claimed the lives of two soldiers and injured two others according to an announcement today from Headquarters, Camp White Oregon.

The injured soldiers have been taken to the station hospital and next of kin of the deceased soldiers have been notified.

A Board of Officers has been appointed to make a complete investigation as to the cause of the accident and will make a formal report as soon as possible.

CANDY MAKER OF—

Ocean Beach, California goes to town in Stamps and Bonds. Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. James Miltenberger for the purchase of another \$1000 Bond.

Geo. Yockle made a business trip to Los Angeles, California last week.

Mrs. Henry Stemud and Mrs. Sorenson were dinner guests Sunday of Marie Walker in Ashland.

The mountainous Caucasus isthmus, slightly smaller than Montana, contains 16 separate states of the Soviet Union.

COLONEL MEREDITH OF CAMP WHITE TRANSFERRED

Colonel Owen R. Meredith, Commanding Officer Camp White, Oregon has been transferred to another station.

Colonel Meredith has been in command of Camp White, one of the larger cantonments on the Pacific coast since May 21, 1942. An Army man since 1904, he has served in many parts of the United States, in the Philippines, Panama and during the last war, in France.

Colonel Meredith's military stations in the United States have included Fort Sheridan, Ill., Camp Hancock, Georgia, Fort Benning, Georgia, Springfield, Mass., Rockford Ill., Fort George Wright, Washington, and others. Before assuming command of Camp White, he was Chief of Staff of the Ninth Corps Area at Ft. Douglas, Utah.

Walter J. Looker Honored to Post



WALTER J. LOOKER

Congratulations to Walter J. Looker and Fred E. Wahl of Medford from the Miner. The job will not be hard for these men, Mr. Looker's many years of experience in the Interstate Commerce Commission and other big jobs, will be assisted by Fred E. Wahl formerly cashier and president of the Farmers and Fruitgrowers Bank of Medford, with offices located in the Medford Center Bldg.

Although the definite date for the beginning of registrations of landlords in this area cannot at this time be stated because of the preliminary work necessary for preparation, The Federal Rent Control Act now is in effect and has been since October 1st Walter J. Looker, Area Rent Director Attorney of the Medford Defense Rental Area announced today.

"Apparently," said Mr. Looker, "because the registratin is not scheduled to start immediately, many landlords and tenants believe the law will not be operable until the date of the beginning of registrations. As a result, numerous cases of attempted evictions have been reported."

The entire law including certain restrictions against evictions, has been in force since October 1st. Any landlord seeking to evict tenants against their wishes is advised to first confer with rent control authorities in this district.

The Medford Defense Rental Area consists of the entire county of Jackson.

Unused Milk Cans Are Needed Badly

Because there is a great scarcity of milk cans and problems arise in securing materials for the manufacture of new ones, A. W. Metzger, chief of the state department of agriculture foods and dairies division, urges every dairyman to make a thorough canvass of his supply of milk cans and turn in any and all cans that are not needed.

Cans that have been unused for some time or cans that could be spared from those now in use should be turned in to the creamery or plant to which they belong. If dairymen will notify the creamery, such cans will be picked up. Or, if dairymen prefer to notify their local department representative, he will pick up the cans and deliver them to the dairy products plants.

Dairymen should not overlook arranging to send in cans that are rusty and appear unfit for use, as such cans will be retinned and put in service again.

The need for more milk and cream cans is urgent, and every dairyman is asked to do his or her part in seeing that there are sufficient cans to take care of the situation.

The scrap drive is on in dead earnest, might be well to watch your step when parking your car.

Recent Federal Orders Effect Living Conditions in Rural U. S.

Of the many recently revised government orders affecting farmers and farm owners of the United States, the one with the greatest impact is the WPB conservation order which has reclassified various types of farm construction activity, besides reducing the amount of building for which no authorization has been required until now.

For instance: The exemption of \$500 on rural (farm) construction has been reduced to \$200. But, according to the latest notice, agricultural construction damaged by fire, flood, tornado or earthquake may be restored promptly in cases where it has been decided by authorities that immediate reconstruction is essential to the agricultural program.

Farm owners contemplating the construction of a building have been cautioned against starting construction until permission to build actually has been granted. The fact that builder has all necessary materials on hand and needs no government assistance will not govern whether he should be permitted to use the material in the construction job.

Another point to remember concerning the new rules and regulations on rural building is this: The completion of the project must not require the use of any material, on the site or off the site, to supply

electricity, gas, water, steam, telephone or sewage disposal.

Other federal regulations which have a definite effect on rural living rule that a certificate of war necessity is required for the operation of virtually all farm trucks, along with all other trucks, busses, taxi cabs and similar commercial vehicles. On November 15 this ODT order goes into effect. The purpose is to conserve equipment for war needs.

Still another pending regulation which will have a definite effect on the farmers of the nation if put through is that of a hog price ceiling which was discussed in a two-day OPA conference in Washington with producers, livestock commission men and packer buyers.

So far no definite decision has been reached as yet regarding the nature of the proposal which OPA may submit to the secretary of agriculture for his consideration.

It has been emphasized, though, that the new pork ceiling in general will approximate the actual sales levels prevailing during early March, with any live hog ceilings likely to be in line with this level of pork prices. The top price for hogs in Chicago during the March 3 to 7 period, which was used by OPA as its base period for pork products, was \$13.50 per hundredweight.

10,000 Lbs. Metal In 4 Days Is Record

More than 10000 pounds of precious metal scrap has already been collected in the first four days of the Jackson County scrap drive under the supervision of army officials at Camp White, Oregon, it was revealed today by Major Lyman V. Williamson, camp salvage officer who is also in charge of the scrap campaign.

Close to 4000 pounds of the total has been collected in the Camp White area by the enlisted personnel "scraper squads", it was also announced.

Major Williamson acclaimed Jackson County residents for their splendid cooperation in the opening phases of the scrap drive and urged a continuance of their splendid efforts to lead the state in the amount of scrap collected.

"Calls for collection have been flooding my office since the start of the campaign," said Major Williamson, "and we have not yet completely collected all the scrap which has been offered. We are sending our army trucks out as fast as possible, however and hope to catch up on the phone calls within a day or two. It is such a fine spirit as this which will keep America the free nation it has always been," he said.

Also reporting a deluge of phone requests for the army to come and collect scrap is Mr. R. G. Fowler, County Agricultural Agent whose scrap collection committees are also cooperating in the drive.

Mr. Fowler reports calls for collection of scrap to be up more than 400 percent since the army took over the drive less than a week ago.

Funeral Services Held For Edgar L. Bryant

Funeral services were held last Friday afternoon at 2 P.M. in the chapel of the Litwiler Funeral Home for Edgar Lloyd Bryant who passed away September 28th at his home on "C" street.

Reverend J. R. Turnbull officiated following which the Fraternal Order of Eagles service was rendered with George Tucker as Worthy President and Frank Shaver as Chaplain. Mr. Bryant was a member of Crater Lake Aerie No. 2093 of Medford. The Eagle service was also given at the grave.

Mr. Bryant was born July 4, 1886 in Boston, Mass., the son of Edgar E. Bryant and Ruth Hanson Bryant. The following relatives survive: His mother, Mrs. Ruth Turner and daughter June Bryant of Ashland Mrs. Ruth De Lespinasse, daughter of Portland Oregon and Grover Bryant brother of Medford.

The pallbearers were as follows: Edward L. Olsen, Blais Heine Ivan Gay, A. McCanahan, Geo. B. Mead Glen Bachert, E. B. Tucker all Medford Eagles. Burial was in Ashland cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Estes received word Saturday that Mr. and Mrs. Leo Ruckmaster of Sacramento are the parents of a baby girl. She has been named Betty Jean. Mrs. Ruckmaster was Cathern Estes before her marriage.

Mrs. Roy Estes was visiting and shopping in Ashland Wednesday.

I envy the beasts two things—their ignorance of what is said about them and their ignorance of evil to come.

ASHLAND U. S. O. The FRIENDLY CLUB NEWS NOTES



VENISON DINNER ENJOYED

The "Cook Your Own Dinner" Sunday afternoon at the USO was a lively affair with 75 soldiers from Camp White, participating.

The venison dinner topped off with strawberry shortcake and cream was prepared and eaten by the men with equal gusto. Dishes were washed with the speed of experienced K.P. soldiers. Sr. Hostess, Miss Alta Norcross, gave soldiers and Junior Hostesses her helping hand.

After dinner, dancing was enjoyed. Said, one hostess, new to the work at USO "I never saw a livelier group, both soldiers and Junior Hostesses—one enthusiastic Sergeant bemoaned the fact that Camp White men could not get more transportation to come to Ashland oftener. The pleasure of the visiting soldiers was expressed at every opportunity.

Preceding the dinner Miss Hales and her Sunday committee of Junior Hostesses had a very active day, giving out games equipment and many of the soldiers were soon playing with the girls on the tennis and badminton courts as well as in the park setting up the 2 croquet sets. The Archery group is looking forward to the Americab Round Contest to be held October 11 at 2:30 P.M. A new feature of the Sunday dinner hour was the incidental music played by Mrs. Ken Weil, on our newly contributed music room piano.

Mrs. Clara Alcroft, Regional Director from the San Francisco office, commented on the friendly atmosphere and the spirit of fun evident, "The Volunteers are having just as good a time as the soldiers, and that is exactly what the USO is trying to achieve." New Sunday Volunteers, Miss Myrtle Funkhouser and Mrs. Bertha Smith, added a fine spirit of service.

The Saturday program took on a new momentum with the additional professional help of the College of Education and Senior High School Deans of Women, Miss Virginia Hales and Miss Grace Scully. Saturday soldier attendance was by far the largest, with over 150 reported. Evidently the re-organization of the Junior Hostesses took place in the nick of time as Saturday nights dance, for once provided sufficient dancing partners for our fighting men, as well as a contributed swing band known as the "Toppers" from Grants Pass. Refreshments of orange, nut and fruit bread sandwiches were provided by Mrs. Hal McNair and Mrs. Sharyon, members of the Trinity Guild; who will provide refreshments the first Saturday of each month.

Safeway Store Scene (of Attempted Robbery)

Safeway Store was broken in Sunday night and almost robbed of \$200.00 and about that amount in groceries. The only things they didn't have lined up to take was the ceiling price tags and the manager's smile.

The burglar or burglars got cold feet and dropped everything when Officer Lathrop was on the job, casting his eagle eye here and there. Should be congratulated for the timely work he did.

Officer Lathrop checked the store at 2:30 o'clock early Monday morning and found the window in the back open and the door unlocked. He entered and went through the store, checking everything including the safe, the door of which was closed.

It is thought that the robbers were in the store at the time the officer entered and that in their rush to get out, they left the shopping bag in which they had placed the money and checks under the window through which they had entered, and left via the door that the officer had left ajar.

Local officers checked the back door of the store at 9 P.M. and smelled ammonia. They notified one of the employees of the store and it was reported that the manager of the store went to the store about 10 P.M. making some adjustments in the refrigerating system which had been defective.

At 11 P.M. the officers again checked the back door and window, but everything was then locked. Between then and 2:30 A. M. the robbers entered the store and procured the haul, which did not benefit them.

The safe door, while closed, had been opened by operation of the combination, according to police. Excellent finger prints were procured by the police and they were being checked.

Second Service Club At Camp White Opens Last Thurs.

The second of Camp White's two service clubs opened last Thursday with a formal dance, attended by more than 500 enlisted personnel and numerous junior hostesses and girls from Medford, Grants Pass, Ashland and Central Point. Directed by Miss Rena Semenza, senior director of Service Club No. 2, the decorations, punch and specialty acts gave the affair a special success. Miss Semenza was assisted by Miss Joyce Holt, Mrs. C. L. Hopkins, senior director of Service Club No. 1 and Mrs. Bernice Rupp, junior director of No. 1 were among those present.

Music was furnished by an Engineer's 14-piece band. The opening of Number 2 gives Camp White two large Service Clubs, both complete with recreation hall, cafeteria and well stocked library. Number 2 following Thursday night's affair, plans a series of dances every Thursday night whenever practicable, Miss Semenza said.

THIS AND THAT (By Old Timer)

To the Editor: Facing a possible fuel crisis the Camden (N. J.) school system is operating on a six-day week, with a vacation during January and February. This is conservation in high gear.

Now that the pumpkin is attaining a golden glow, Uncle Zeke, teetotaler is getting to look slightly pie-eyed.

When this war ends the Japs will be able to say "So Sorry"—and mean it.

With snow falling in Russia, it looks as though Hitler is in for a white-blackout.

With only 75 per cent of a normal coffee supply available, it is by no means certain that folks will sleep 25 per cent better.

The old belief that the team winning the second game in a World's series cops the pennant was justified at New York Monday, when the Cards triumphed over the Yankees.

Slapping a \$50 fine and costs on a motorist who exceeded the 25 miles an hour limit, a Chicago judge asserted: "Using up gasoline and tires in this way is nothing less than sabotage through sheer stupidity". A sound decision.

Mussolini for the fourth straight year, has cinched the title of the world's outstanding minor leaguer.

Don't grumble about falling leaves littering your lawn. Thank your lucky stars you are not in Europe where bombs are dropping.

How about a Community Chest?

"NOT A SLACKER IN THE LOT..."



THIS cartoon was first published by the Omaha World-Herald, originator of the "Nebraska Scrap Plan." In three weeks the people of Nebraska collected 136,171,012 pounds of scrap metals for war industries. That was 103.4 pounds per capita for every man, woman and child in the state. (NAME PAPER) believes that the Citizens of (NAME STATE) are equal to Nebraska's challenge. Let's get out the scrap to bury the Axis!