

A Week of the War

(Summary of information on the important developments of the week made available by official sources through noon EWT, Monday, August 10.)

Admiral William D. Leahy, the President's Chief of Staff, in a radio broadcast August 9 marking the first anniversary of the Atlantic Charter, said "this war will probably be long. It calls for the united power of every American, in uniform and out of uniform, on the firing line and on the production line—I have no doubt of America's decision."

President Roosevelt, in a message read on the broadcast, said "great progress" has been made in the battle of production, but "in terms of what will be required to defeat our enemies we have only just begun to get into our stride." Elmer Davis, director of the Office of War Information, said America's conversion job has largely been completed; the emphasis now must be transferred from finished goods to raw materials from which they are made. "We will get them—by full use of existing facilities, and by tapping new, or marginal, or abandoned sources of supply. We will develop new processes, eliminate waste, and work for full salvage by every citizen," Mr. Davis said.

Vice Chairman Batt of the War Production Board, on the same radio program, said the public must see to it that all waste and scrap metal is collected and "sent to the mills—quickly. There is plenty of iron and steel scrap—that must get back to the furnaces if the steel needed for the war is to be produced. You and I can help by keeping our eyes open."

In a general review of the war situation, the Office of War Information said June production of military planes fell slightly behind schedule, despite the fact that the U. S. made more planes than any other country in the world. The same was true of tanks, of most types of artillery, and of naval vessels, the OWI said. Because of enemy submarine activity, the office said, it

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Free War Work Training Offered

Uncle Sam needs high school graduates and "out of school" youth to work in his war industries, comes word from Glenn T. Norton, NYA personnel officer at La Grande. Opportunity is being offered these boys and girls, aged 17 to 25, to earn while they learn. Free defense training with board, room and pay if the home is removed from a defense training center is offered.

Training centers are located in Pendleton, Albany, Eugene and Chemawa, and courses include aviation sheet metal, clerical (typing, shorthand, etc.), general sheet metal, machine shop, radio, welding, teletype.

All trainees receive board, room, medical care, and \$9.00 cash per month for personal expenses. NYA furnishes towels and bedding with laundry service for these two items.

Complete supervised activity program is conducted at the centers. Enrollment period varies with the course, usually from eight to twelve weeks, although a trainee may be referred into a defense job in less time. Transportation is furnished from the youth's home to the training center if he is unable to furnish it.

The NYA representative for eastern Oregon will be in Heppner at the city hall on Friday, August 21, to interview all youth interested in national defense training which leads into vital war jobs. The time is 2:30 to 5:30 p. m.

24 Tons Scrap Rubber Sent in First Shipment

First shipment of scrap rubber from Morrow county was sent out this week by Standard Oil company, the shipment totalling 24 tons.

Mrs. Bert Warren from Walla Walla, her grandsons, Nat and Michael Vale, and Mrs. Percy Hughes' grandchildren, Larry and Susanne Lucher, are spending the week with Mrs. Hughes on Butter creek.

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New 3-Year All-Risk Crop Insurance Policies Available

Past Benefits to County Cited by Triple-A Chairman

Two years of big crops is no guarantee against crop failure next year or the year after, county wheat producers are reminded by Henry Baker, chairman of the county AAA committee, who this week announced that the new three-year federal all-risk crop insurance contracts will be available until September 30.

Those growers who have the impression that bumper crops will continue indefinitely should remember what happened in 1935, the chairman said. In that year, Morrow county farmers lost 1,250,000 bushels of wheat because of drouth. Translated to dollars, based on the average net price to farmers in that year, this amounted to \$765,000 lost.

"Three-fourths of that loss could have been recovered had federal crop insurance been available at that time," Baker said. "Since this insurance is now available to all wheat growers, it is no longer necessary for the grower to gamble a whole year's labor and expense."

Another year like 1935 is sure to come again—and it might be this year, Baker reminds, pointing out that with prices supported by the loan program, growers who do not insure are gambling with dollar wheat.

While the new three-year contract insures wheat crops through 1945, premiums are payable in annual installments on the acreage seeded each year. The first installment is not due until August 18, 1943, and like the plan in effect now, may be paid in cash or deducted from the grower's AAA conservation payment, wheat loan, or any loss indemnity paid the grower under his crop insurance contract.

Baker cited two other features that have been added this year to make the program more beneficial to the grower. They are a uniform method of determining premium rates, and a reduced premium plan for the grower who stays in the program over a period of years.

TRUCK CRACK-UP INJURES DRIVER

George Morgan sustained a fractured skull Monday evening when the truck loaded with logs that he was driving cracked-up half way between the Schilling place and Slocums mill on upper Rhea creek. He was found unconscious and remained so after being brought to Heppner hospital until yesterday evening when he showed signs of recovery, though his condition is critical.

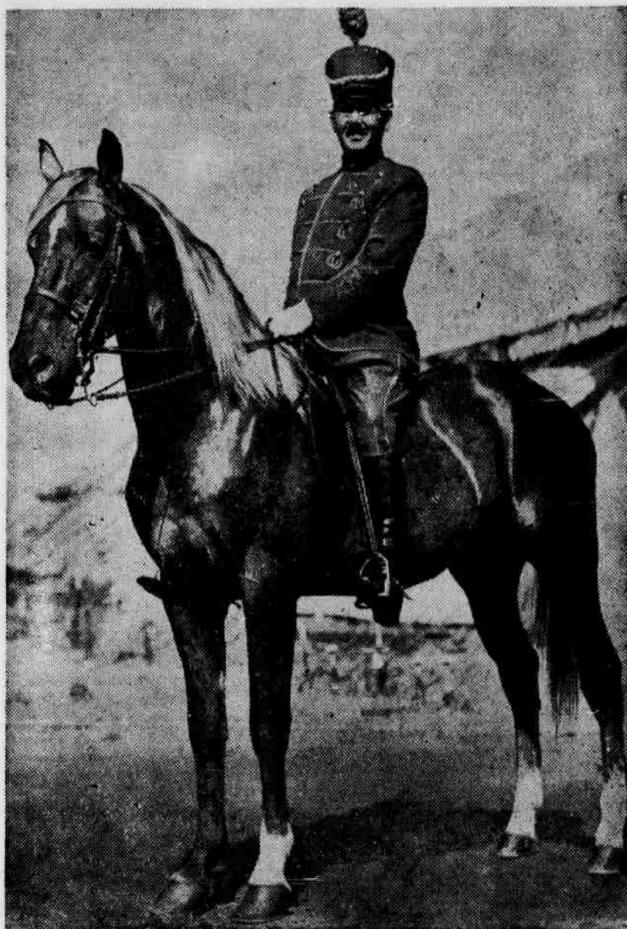
Morgan was driving for Russell Wright who is under contract to bring logs to Heppner Lumber company.

Wright, following behind Morgan with another truck load of logs, was the first to come upon the scene of the accident. He had to return up the road two miles to get a pick-up, work it around the accident which had the road blocked, and drag the pick-up onto the road with a tractor before the injured man could be brought to town for medical aid.

From undetermined cause, Morgan's truck apparently got out of his control as it descended a steep pitch in the road. Crashing into a tree two feet in diameter, the front of the truck to the rear of the cab was pulverized. The tree was shorn off like a toothpick. Morgan had apparently jumped before the crash, as he was found in the road behind the wrecked truck.

Mr. and Mrs. Phil Mahoney spent Tuesday in Pendleton.

CIRCUS HERE MONDAY HAS FAMOUS TRAINER WITH SWAGGART HORSE



Jorgen M. Christiansen, head of Russell Bros.' Circus equestrian department, mounted on his famous palomino stallion, Oregon Sunburst, which originally came from the Swaggart ranch in Morrow county.

A "success story" that would be the envy of any boy's heart is the story of Jorgen M. Christiansen, world famous horseman, coming with Russell Bros.' Great 3-Ring Circus to Heppner, Monday, August 17, for afternoon performance only on the Cummings' lot opposite the grain warehouses on Riverside avenue.

As a lad he longed to go with the circus. At 19, he quit a white collar job in his native Denmark to join a small show touring northern Europe. He became an expert horse trainer and proficient linguist. For years he was with a leading circus in Russia. Later in Warsaw he broke thirty head of horses in a single act, and when this group was sold to Ringling Bros. he came to this country with them. He is now a citizen of the United States and the most imposing equestrian in American circusdom.

He has given an added international aspect to his career by presenting a "liberty act" of South American Criole horses. With incomparable rhythm and precision, he puts these magnificent golden

horses through a series of intricate drills and formations said never to have been achieved by any other living trainer.

Christiansen further distinguishes himself astride his famous palomino stallion, Oregon Sunburst, in the Russell Bros. high school horse display. This fine horse is the product of the Swaggart ranch in Morrow county, and Christiansen's reputation as an outstanding trainer of horses is already well established in this section. Sunburst is an equine marvel that can walk, trot, gallop, and march—forward, backward, and in double time; side-step, right and left; do the cake-walk, the Spanish trot, the waltz, the one-step and the carioca; and change legs during the "flying moment."

Doors to the menagerie open at 1 p. m. to give circus patrons time to view the horses and other animals at close range before the start of the big show at 2. The two-hour performance embraces all manner of trained animal features, and the very cream of aerial, acrobatic and arenic talent.

Much Grass, Wheat Burns at Edmondsons

Several hundred acres of grass and wheat were burned last Saturday in a stubborn blaze that struck the Alonzo D. Edmondson, Hugh Smith and Osmin lands on Balm fork.

Many volunteer fighters responded from neighboring farms and from Heppner. An estimate of total damage was not given, but serious damage was done to fall rangeland, besides the loss of several acres of wheat.

County Buys \$10,000 Worth War Bonds

A big lift toward raising the current month's quota for the sale of war savings bonds and stamps was given this week when the county court authorized purchase of \$10,000 worth of bonds from county funds, reports P. W. Mahoney, county sales chairman.

Morrow county's war bond and stamp quota for August has been set at \$27,400. Map showing quotas for all counties may be found on another page.

WARNS OF STAMP TAX VIOLATIONS

W. F. Pigg, deputy collector of internal revenue, in the city last week end warned that too many violations of the motor vehicle use stamp tax are being found.

Pigg emphasized that violation of the stamp law calls for a \$25 fine or three days in jail, or both.

The \$5.00 use stamp must be displayed in the upper left hand corner of the windshield of the truck or automobile, and no place else will do, Pigg added.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Drake have received word from their son, Douglas, recently inducted into the army, that he is now stationed at Fort Riley, Kansas. He reported that Guy Hastings of Hardman is also stationed there.

Rosewall Motor company has announced the arrival of L. A. Shideler as new shop foreman. Mrs. Shideler accompanies her husband to Heppner.

County Allotted 93,353 Acres For Wheat Next Year

Individual Quotas Go Out; Marketing Quotas Foreseen

Morrow county wheat growers, in the midst of harvesting the second bumper crop in many years and wrestling with the problem of finding storage space, this week are being notified in a letter from the county AAA office of each farm's individual 1943 wheat allotment.

At the same time, Henry Baker, county AAA chairman, announced that marketing quotas for the 1943 wheat crop have just been proclaimed by the secretary of agriculture. A referendum will be held next spring, Baker said, in reminding growers that they can plan their seeding operations this fall with the knowledge that quotas are almost certain to be in effect again next year.

Morrow county's share of the 1943 national wheat allotment is 93,353 acres, and this has been prorated among all eligible growers on the basis of the wheat history on each farm. Farms that would normally be in summer fallow next year, or those which did not grow wheat for harvest in 1939 or 1941, will have a zero allotment, the chairman said.

The acuteness of the storage situation has brought the wheat surplus situation much closer to home this year, the chairman believes. Growers who have had to provide their own storage space or pile the wheat on the ground can understand why Secretary Wickard is asking that growers underplant 1943 wheat allotments and divert land to more-needed crops wherever possible. The national allotment for next year is 55 million acres, the minimum allowed by law, but 40 million acres would produce enough wheat for present domestic needs without using any of the carryover of close to a billion bushels, Baker pointed out.

FORMER TEACHER VISITS

The Frank Turners have had as their house guests this week, Mrs. Gertrude L. Whiteis from Prineville and her daughter, Miss Helen Whiteis, who is a secretary on the Oregon State campus, working in conjunction with Charles Smith in agricultural work. Mrs. Whiteis began her high school teaching career in Heppner the autumn following the Heppner flood when D. V. S. Reid was superintendent of schools. In her first graduation class were both Leonard Gilliam and Mrs. Frank Turner. Since leaving Heppner 32 years ago, the Whiteis family have been living in or near Prineville. Mr. Whiteis passed away there several years ago. The son and family reside in Prineville. Mrs. Whiteis teaches in Prineville high school where she is dean of women and head of English and Latin departments. She noticed many changes over town, this being her first visit since she left when her son Paul was a baby. On Monday evening Mrs. Whiteis, her daughter and Mrs. Turner enjoyed a lawn party with Mrs. Percy Hughes and Mrs. Bert Warren and grandchildren at the Hughes home on Butter creek. Mrs. Whiteis was especially happy to meet several of her former pupils and friends while here, since she remembers Heppner as a very hospitable community.

DON'T FORGET AUGUST 24

The churches of Heppner are sponsoring a Union Daily Vacation Bible School for all school children interested. Be sure and investigate the possibilities of fine Christian training for your children.

Peaches—Ripe at Edmonds orchard now to Sept. Light crop, come now. Umatilla.