

**Week of the War**

U. S. Army headquarters in Britain reported that 115 American bombers, in their first large-scale daylight sweep over occupied France, shot down 48 Nazi planes, probably destroyed 38 more and seriously damaged at least 19. Never before had so many German planes been shot down in a single encounter over western Europe as were brought down by the massed fire of the American Flying Fortresses and consolidated B-24's. Only four American ships were lost and the crew of one was saved. The bombers made a destructive attack on the Lille industrial area.

Gen. MacArthur's headquarters in Australia announced Oct. 12 that Lockheed medium bombers scored two direct hits on a large Japanese seaplane tender in the Soolomon area between the Bismarck and Solomon Isles. The navy reported Oct. 10 a Japanese destroyer was sunk and a heavy cruiser and destroyer were damaged by American airmen during continued enemy attempts to land reinforcements on Guadalcanal. The enemy under cover of darkness made several small landings in the Solomons, but U. S. forces shot down 21 Japanese planes, torpedoed a cruiser, and bombed and strafed enemy troops and equipment on Guadalcanal. Gen. MacArthur's headquarters also announced that the biggest force of Flying Fortresses ever sent against a target in the Australian zone made an unusually destructive raid on the largest Japanese base in this area, Rabaul. Australian troops continued to drive the enemy back into the Owen Stanley mountains and removed the threat of the Allied base of Port Moresby.

From new bases in the Andreanof group of the Aleutians, army bombers, escorted by Airacobras and Lightning fighters, kept Japanese held Kiska—less than an hour's flying time away—under "continual fire" during the week. The navy reported aerial reconnaissance showed the Japs apparently have given up their hold on both Attu and Agattu in the western Aleutians and concentrated on Kiska.

**War Taxes**

The senate passed and sent to conference with the house the 1942 War Revenue bill which the Treasury estimated will yield \$9,000,000,000 in new revenue annually. Of this total, approximately 1,706 million would be refundable because the bill provides an extra five per cent "Victory Tax" on all individual incomes above \$12 a week—part of which would be refunded as a credit on other taxes a year later or as a post-war refund. The new bill will make 42 to 44 million persons subject to federal taxes, compared with 28 million at present, and will bring total federal revenue up to \$26,000,000,000 a year.

**Rationing**

Price Administrator Henderson announced a five-step government plan to keep every passenger car "rolling for essential mileage" thru-out the war: (1) rationing of used tires and recaps, and new tires now in stock, to provide as far as possible the minimum essential mileage to each of the nation's passenger cars. (2) Actual control of each car's mileage through the rationing of gasoline to prevent unnecessary driving and to hold the national average down to 5,000 miles per car per year. (3) Compulsory periodic inspection of all tires to guard against abuse and to prevent wear beyond the point where they can be recapped. (4) Denial of gasoline and of tire replacement to cars whose drivers persistently violate the national 35-mile-an-hour speed limit. (5) Capacity use, through car sharing, of every car on every trip so far as possible.

Fuel oil consumers in the 30 states affected by oil rationing will be able to obtain their ration application forms from their dealers soon after Oct. 13 and should fill them out as soon as possible and mail or deliver them to local war price and rationing boards, OPA said. Fuel oil ration coupons for private dwellings will be worth 10 gallons each for the first heating period—October and November—the OPA announc-

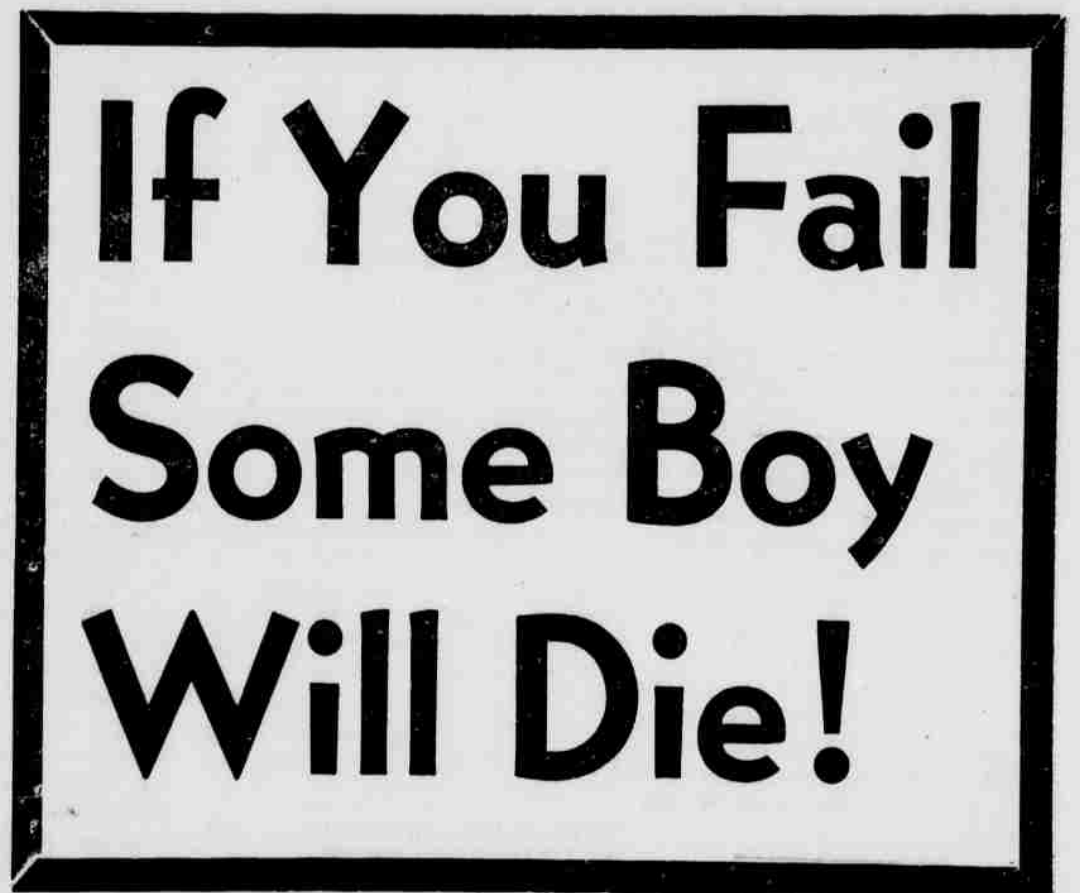
ed. Coupon sheets for the entire year will be issued shortly, OPA said. Maximum Prices and Rents

The OPA reported Oct. 11 that it is extending the government rent-control program to embrace prac-

tically the entire urban population of the country, and orders reducing rents in every large city in the country with the exception of New York City. Rents are being cut back to the levels prevailing last March 1 in immediately. The orders bring un-

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**Businessmen—Let's talk about death! Let's not dodge the issues—let's face facts. A lot of good American fighting men may soon have to die for want of scrap! Oregon must yield 100,000 tons.**

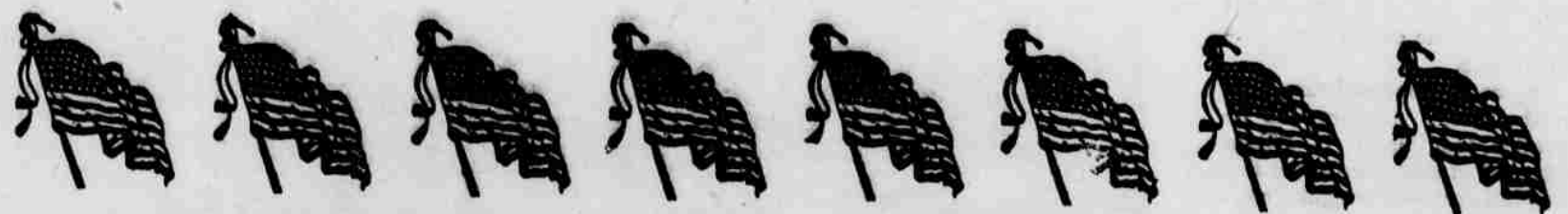


**We're talking facts, remember! Such as the fact that steel for every tank, ship and gun must be made of 50 per cent scrap. And the terrible fact that America's mills are starving for this scrap—without enough on hand for even 30 days more production!**

**That was the conrition before the fall drive for scrap iron and steel started. The crisis has been eased but not passed. More scrap is needed, and still more until every available bit has been cleaned up.**

**Morrow County has come through in a creditable manner so far. Keep the good work going and not let it be said that some boy died because you failed to turn in your scrap metal!**

**Details of the scrap metal drive may be had from C. D. Conrad, Morrow County Chairman, Heppner.**



**NEWSPAPERS' UNITED SCRAP METAL DRIVE**