

Mrs. America Meets the War

Editors note: War touches every home and every citizen. This column, based on official government information and prepared by the Office of War Information, shows how the war will effect Mrs. America and her home.

Ninety percent of the foods that go into Mrs. America's market basket are now price controlled thanks to the new anti-inflation bill. Prices for most items in the American diet were set at March levels by the general maximum regulation, but the additional controlled commodities under temporary ceilings—poultry, mutton, onions, white potatoes, dry beans butter, cheese, eggs, canned milk, cornmeal fresh citrus fruits and canned citrus fruits and juices—are on the basis of the highest prices charged by the individual store during the five days between Sept. 28 and Oct. 2. By following Price Administrator Henderson's advice, Mrs. America can be assured that she isn't paying above the ceiling. His suggestion is that housewives make a list of the prices paid from Sept. 28 thru Oct. 2. Then check against this list when marketing to see that he ceiling price is not exceeded.

Mrs. America's floors shouldn't be too bare now that 30,000,000 pounds of carpet wool have been released for the manufacture of floor coverings. The wool had previously been restricted in the belief that it might be adapted for the manufacture of clothing. However, only a small part of it was used by the apparel industry. Meantime, restrictions still stand for some of the better types of carpet wool, such as Persian gulf fleece, New Zealand fleece and others.

Russian mothers may be feeding their children a new American cereal soon and likewise Allied fighters will be tasting this new product. It's a quick cooking mixture of rolled oats, soya flakes, dry skim milk and sugar. This cereal is going to the United Nations along with shipments of vitamin products, canned fish, cheese, skim milk and other foods. Although the new product has been manufactured and packaged in the United States it will be labeled in Russian when it reaches the Soviet table.

And now add to your household items made precious by WPB restrictions—the scale. The manufacture of all types of scales is prohibited in an order which also forbids the production of repair parts for household scales. But your grocer won't be in such a difficult position since replacement parts can be made for all types of scales besides those used strictly in the home.

Soon furniture and other household upholstered articles using iron and steel will be a past chapter in American furnishings. For Nov. 1 is the deadline for the completion of studio couches, sofa beds, lounges and other furniture using iron and steel. After that date, only the final assembly of fabric covers will be permitted. And, incidentally, the WPB has further reduced the amount of steel which can be used in bed springs. However, simplified designs and wooden frames will help manufacturers meet the limitation order and still save 15,000 tons of iron and steel annually.

If your neighborhood grocer's shelves have been minus certain food items lately—like breakfast cereals, shortenings, some canned vegetables and the like—you may expect to see the reappearance of many of those articles that have either been low in stock or missing entirely. The answer is the new alternative pricing formula of the OPA. The plan will relieve the salers whose March ceiling prices squeeze on food dealers and whole-

have been too low to permit restocking the items because of higher replacement costs. They'll be permitted to charge slightly higher prices—a cent or two for the most part—for the following groups of food stuffs: breakfast cereals, sugar, canned vegetables, coffee, canned fish, cooking and salad oil, rice, hydro-genated shortening, other shortenings, dried fruits, and lard. Increased prices won't be true every time for these food-stuffs—only in the case of those items where a grocer's March ceiling was abnormally low.

Thirteen million pounds of gunpowder sounds like the product of a munitions plant. But the experts say that the kitchens of America could be the basis of that production if every housewife in the country were to save as little as four ounces of waste cooking fat in a week. Add each of those four ounces of waste cooking fat savings together, and you'll have enough glycerine from which to make the 13,000,000 pounds of gun powder. And there's enough explosive power hidden in ten pounds of waste fat from Mrs. America's kitchen to fire 49 anti-aircraft shells.

The 2.5 pounds per person weekly allotment of meat being followed in a program of voluntary rationing includes the bones. But resourceful housewives can use bones for broth and soup stock. And, incidentally, kidney, brains, heart and other organs are not included in the 2.5 pound allowance.

Heppner Teachers Elected to Offices

Two Heppner teachers, Supt. George Corwin and Mrs. Lera Crawford, were elected to offices of the Eastern Oregon Conference group at the session held in Baker last week, while Mrs. Lillian Turner, who teaches at Lexington, was elected delegate to the state conference to be held in Portland the latter part of November. Mr. Corwin was named president and Mrs. Crawford secretary of the organization. Dr. Frank Parr, secretary of the Oregon State Teachers' association, is the treasurer. Henry Hartley of Nyssa was chosen vice president.

Principal duty of the conference group is to cooperate with the superintendents of the district in formulating and presenting the programs of the annual conference or institute.

Special Opportunity For Defence Training

Boys and girls aged 16 to 25 years have an opportunity to obtain special defense training through an arrangement made by the National Youth administration to provide facilities for persons in that age range who live apart from a defense training center.

This paper has been advised that a representative of the NYA will be at the Heppner high school between the hours of 9-10 a. m. Wednesday October 28 to interview those who may be interested. The information states that students will have an opportunity to earn while learning one of the following subjects, trainees in which are badly needed by Uncle Sam in his war industries: Aviation sheet metal, clerical (typing, shorthand, etc.), general sheet metal, machine shop, radio, welding and teletype operating.

All trainees receive board, room, medical care and \$10.80 per month for personal expenses. NYA furnishes towels and bedding with laundry service for these two items. A 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 training center if he is unable to furnish it.

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IN TOWN MONDAY

Mrs. W. C. McCarty and Mrs. P. A. Anderson paid Heppner a brief call Monday, driving in from The Dalles, home of Mrs. McCarty. Mrs. Anderson is visiting her sister while Mr. Anderson is on a visit to his parents in North Dakota. The Andersons are residents of Seattle.

A SON IS BORN

Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Bengston of Medford announce the birth of an eight pound son October 17. This word was received the past week end by Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bengge, Mrs. Bengge plans to leave for Medford Saturday, October 31, to make acquaintance with her new grandson.

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