



Now comes the threat of a shortage in the hope of saving as much fluid milk as possible for consumers. Not sufficient milk is produced to meet the requirements of cantonments and their immediate vicinity, and part of this is due to the disposal of many herds of dairy cattle.

The rationing of coffee is causing many people to drink milk as a substitute. Although there is a drain on the milk supply for domestic consumption, lend-lease is shipping quantities of powdered milk to the allies and to some of the American units on the fighting front.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 25—Northwest farmers, out in the open spaces, will soon be in more trouble through the gasoline ration for trucks. Practically all the farms in Oregon are mechanized. They use trucks, not for pleasure driving, but to take farm products to market. There are few farms using horses or horse-drawn vehicles and if all would not be enough animals to farms went back to horses there meet the demand. Wagons are no longer manufactured and only a few can be found on farms.

As a general rule the farmer lives many miles from his market and 50, 75 or 100 miles is not uncommon — distances he could not travel with a horse-drawn vehicle under several days, whereas a few hours would be ample with his truck. Central Oregon will be especially hard hit. Certificates of war necessity are cut from 25 up to 50 percent of gas requirements and the farmers are in a quandary what to do.

With the administration urging greater production of food, selective service and war activities taking labor from the farms, with owners leaving their farms because they cannot work them alone, now comes the rationing which imposes another handicap on tillers of the soil. Congressmen are being showered with letters asking that something be done if they are to continue producing food.

The food requirements committees, composed of the department of agriculture and the war production board, may issue an order restricting the amount of milk that can be diverted to cheese making. Also, and more immediate, is the possibility of reducing the amount of butterfat in ice cream. The cheese industry in Oregon is important and not long ago the people were urged over the radio to eat cheese.

There are a few farmers in Oregon who have written to the department of agriculture to inquire whether that section of the country is suitable for growing of soybeans. The soybean has become an important crop in the midwest for food and commercial purposes—parts of automobiles—are made from this bean, the dash, steering wheel, fenders, ash trays, etc. Henry Ford tried to break a plastic fender with an axe without success. Soybeans, formerly imported into the northwest ports from China by the shiploads, have become Americanized, just as the golden pheasant.

Little information can be obtained by the state department as to the identity and treatment of prisoners of war taken by the Japanese. However, a former resident of the northwest has written a letter which came through somehow, in which he said: "The Japanese are treating me fine. I am holding my old weight of 135 pounds. I expect to see my mother soon." The writer weighed almost 200 pounds when he lived on the Pacific coast. His mother has been dead for several years and he knew it.

Farmers of Oregon are just beginning to understand the recent decision of the supreme court which forbids a grain grower from feeding wheat or corn to livestock above his allotment. Feeding this surplus grain, declares the supreme court, brings it within interstate commerce. Such a protest is now beginning to make the welkin ring that the senate is considering an amendment to the law and specifically exempting wheat farmers who feed grain and do not sell it. If it is possible, and time permits, a correction will be made in this law before the present congress expires Jan. 3. Every grain grower in Oregon is more or less affected by the court's decision.

Already Oregon has provided almost 200 billion U. S. P. units of vitamin A fish-liver oil for the lend lease program. The fish liver used are chiefly from the soup-fin shark caught in the waters of the north Pacific and then processed. Dog fish are another source of supply. During the coming year lend-lease will purchase approximately 15 trillion units from processors on the west coast. Vitamin A is given to aviators to improve their vision at night; it also enables the body to resist infection. OPA has placed a ceiling on the price of fish livers which is about one-third the market price received by fishermen last year.

Lexington News

By MARGARET SCOTT

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Steagall are the parents of a son, William Floyd, born at their home Friday, Nov. 20. Mrs. Ralph Jackson and daughters are spending several days in Portland and vicinity.

Mrs. Otto Ruhl, son Norman and grandson Skippy are spending several days at Wallowa.

Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Vinson and son of Spokane are guests at the Charles Buchanan home.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Hunt and George Tucker are spending a few days in Portland and vicinity.

James Pointer of Selial, Wash. was here Thursday to get Mrs. Nettie Dairs and son Jimmy who will visit relatives in Yakima and vicinity.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Dougherty motored to Portland Thursday for a short vacation.

George Peck spent several days last week in Portland.

Mrs. Paul Nichols of Portland was here last week to visit relatives.

Jay Totterdell of Mountain City Nev., Mrs. R. E. Schoonover and Clifford Dodge of Hanford, Wash., visited at the Frank Papineau and Richard Schoonover homes this week.

The junior class play "Second Story Peggy" was presented in the high school auditorium last Thursday evening with the following cast: Mrs. Delancey (a woman of few words) Jean Rauch; Billy Durand, (her star boarder) Joe Way; Daisy, (a little smarter than she looks) Barbara Ledbetter; Murphy, (the cop on the beat), Albert Edwards; Helen Henderson, (more

fickle than faithful), Juanita Bellen brock; Kenneth Sterling, (the lucky man?) Leonard Munkers; Peggy, (wanted by the police), Marcie Jackson; Dexter, Carl Marquardt. Committees: stage manager, Claude Way; assistant, Leonard Munkers; business, Leonard Munkers; assistant, Clarence Buchanan; makeup, Jean Rauch prompter, Coleen Wallace. The play was written by Katherine Kavanaugh and directed by Helen Niger.

Proceeding the play the public speaking class under the direction of Marie Clary presented a one-act play entitled "Orville's Big Date." Members of the cast were: Orville Browning, Elmer Pieper; Beatrice, Estelle Ledbetter; Vivian, Majo Marquardt and Ethel, Louise Hunt.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Palmer are the parents of a baby daughter, born Saturday, Nov. 21 at the Heppner hospital. She is the grand daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Marshall and Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Palmer.

Mrs. Kenneth Palmer was honored by a shower Thursday afternoon at the Ladies Aid room with gifts were received and refreshments of jello, cookies and coffee were served.

GUESTS OVER NIGHT

Mr. and Mrs. William Anhorn and small son of Central Point, Oregon were in Heppner Friday night, guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Gertsen. Saturday morning Mrs. Gertsen accompanied them to Portland where they were overnight guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clare Goheen. Mrs. Anhorn and Mrs. Goheen are daughters of Mrs. Gertsen. Mr. and Mrs. Anhorn returned to their southern Oregon home and Mrs. Gertsen returned to Heppner Sunday evening.

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**Record War Bond Sales Is Goal
Of Women At War Week Nov. 22**

WASHINGTON, D. C.—America's women in the cities and on the farms—in war factories and in their homes—are determined to make Women At War Week the greatest War Bond selling effort since Pearl Harbor.

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt sounded the keynote for the Treasury Department's Women At War Week, Nov. 22 to 23, with an appeal to women to save on "little things" to provide money for War Bonds.

"We women want to work hard, we want to be a part of this strenuous period because unless we are, we will not be able to face the men when they return and claim our share of the future responsibility for building a peaceful world," the First Lady declared.

The overall direction of Women At War Week rests with the Women's Section of the War Savings Staff under the leadership of Miss Harriet Elliott, Associate Field Director, and Mrs. Henry Morgenthau, Jr., Chief of the Special Activities Unit.

From coast to coast women in every community have made plans for torchlight parades, fashion shows, teas, rallies, store window displays, Stamp and Bond booths, pageants, civic sings, balls and mardi gras. In each locality administration of the one week drive rests with the local War Savings Committee which has worked out activities adapted to their areas.

Mrs. Morgenthau, in a special message for Women At War Week, declared that the spirit of America's pioneer women lives today more strongly than ever.

"The average American woman began to rise to new heights on Sunday, Dec. 7, 1941," Mrs. Morgenthau said. "This winter the average American woman will be spending less in order to save more to invest in War Bonds and Stamps. She will not, please God, ever have to fire a gun or fly a bomber. But she will, please God, always do everything she can to help buy anything—and the best of everything—that fires or flies or floats in this terrible war."



During Women At War Week volunteer War Bond saleswomen will wear an armband similar to the one being attached to the sleeve of Mrs. Henry Morgenthau, Jr., by Miss Harriet Elliott.

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