

Washington, D. C., May 5—An estimated 10,000 troops will be established at Camp Abbott, a few miles from Bend. The disposal of sewage from such a city (it will be almost as large as Bend) presented a problem which the army engineers have solved to their satisfaction by giving the sewage a treatment and then pouring it into the Deschutes river. This does not please the stockmen and other settlers who depend upon the Deschutes river for their domestic water supply.

Scores of people have signed a petition of protest and forwarded it to Washington D. C. Some of the petitioners assert that if the sewage from Camp Abbott is permitted to pollute the river there will be an epidemic; that the conditions of the streams will be such that a number of farmers now engaged in raising potatoes and other vegetables will be compelled to abandon their ranches. Army engineers reply that there is sufficient flow in the Deschutes to dissipate the sewage and that actually there is 15 times more than is necessary. The engineers also explained that the plan has been approved by the state sanitary engineer of Oregon state sanitary engineer of Oregon.

In the area of Bend and Redmond the sewage is disposed of by using the underground caverns of that region. The army engineers do not approve of this plan, explaining that the water in the caverns eventually makes its way into the river.

New fuel rationing regulations have been mimeographed and distributed to congressmen with the notation that they are "secret." The most important feature of these to-be-announced regulations is that whatever the allotment granted, the consumer should fill his oil tank in the summer months. Formula for rationing will be published almost any day now. A simple plan is devised for the small consumers, the people who are chiefly dependent on kerosene. These would be ruralites who are not in position to illuminate their homes with electricity. The coupon system for fuel cards will be stripped of red tape and delays.

It is no military secret, however, that next year there will be an actual shortage of fuel oil and gasoline in the Pacific northwest, for by that time the war with the Japanese will be so intense that millions of gallons of high octane for fliers and fuel oil for the destroyers, cruisers, battleships, landing boats, escort vessels, etc., will be diverted from civilians and fuel oil will be scarce.

In the eastern Oregon country the bombers are setting fires with tracer bullets and many thousands of acres have already been burned over. The tracers are as effective as the incendiary bombs and can ignite anything of a combustible character that they hit. The fires have been caused assert the settlers, by the bombers firing tracers at cow hands and sheepmen to see how close they can come to them and make them jump—all in a spirit of fun. Complaints have reached the war department and instructions have been given that the planes be numbered to enable settlers to know what bombers are doing the dirty work. For punishment, when the guilty fliers are located, will be the loss of half a month's pay. The bombers are based at Boise, Walla Walla, Spokane and Pendleton, it is alleged.

One reason raised against the lo-

cation of an aluminum extrusion plant in Oregon is the alleged shortage of labor. The assertion was made that this plant would have to get its workers from the shipyards and other war industries in the state. The division of aluminum and magnesium in war production board has been advised that there are three first class sites for the plant. These localities are Salem, Eugene and The Dalles, where there is ample labor for another war industry. The Oregon senators had a conference with Donald Nelson and William L. Batt, but their arguments made no impression. Government will finance three plants, one in the southwest, one south of the Dakotas and one in the mid-continent area.

Several communities in Oregon are benefiting from war contracts for supplies, shops in various cities cooperating into one organization. One of these combinations will produce thousands of truck bodies this year, and it has already produced about 20,000. A high spot in the combination is held by Baker which is doing its share of the work faster than the contract calls for—a bang-up job. Another of the members of the group is located in Eugene, and there are three plants in Portland's metropolitan area. These separate companies pool their resources and make a formidable showing, handling a large contract which none of them could maintain individually. Another group is building parts of Boeing's flying fortress, and another manufacturing valves in demand for synthetic rubber plants, navy ships, etc.

LEXINGTON NEWS

By MRS. MAKINE GRAY

Mrs. Ruth McNeil of Pendleton and Mrs. Elsie Cowins of Heppner visited Mrs. George Allyn on her birthday last Thursday.

Miss Edith Edwards returned Wednesday evening from Santa Cruz, Calif. where she has been visiting her sister, Jerine.

Mrs. Ralph Ledbetter has been ill at the Heppner hospital for the past week. She is much improved now and is with her parents, Mr.

and Mrs. Oscar Peterson.

Mrs. Burl Maynard and children Tommy and Connie of Boardman were Saturday night guests of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Breeding.

Lee C. Sparks returned from the Springs last Saturday.

Elmer Hunt is now employed at the Lexington Oil Co-op.

The May day festival was well attended at Heppner in spite of the stormy weather.

Mrs. John Miller and children, Jack, Harry and Bill left for Portland Thursday to spend the week-end with Mr. Miller who is employed there.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Wallise left for Portland Thursday.

Ed Grant was called to Portland Wednesday by the serious illness of his mother. He returned Friday and on Saturday received word that she had passed away.

Bill Ross is now employed at the Lexington warehouse.

O. G. Breeding, D. C. Breeding and A. M. Breeding were business visitors in Spray and Fossil on Monday.

Mrs. Everett Crump left Friday for Amarillo Texas where her husband is stationed. She will remain there until Pvt Crump is moved.

VISITED PARENTS

Mrs. Walter McNeil of Pendleton visited Thursday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Cowins.

IN SPOKANE

John O'Brien, chef at Camp Wetmore, is spending a brief layoff in Spokane this week.

IN FROM CAMP

Mrs. Harold Kirkham of Camp Wetmore was shopping in Heppner Tuesday.

One \$18.75 War Bond will give an enlisted man an overcoat, two woolen undershirts, and a pair of light woolen socks.

Although the Texas prison system produces all its own sugar, rationing within the walls is the same as on the outside.

RATIONING CALENDAR

Ration Book No. 2

May 2—Red stamp F (meat-fats) valid; Stamp G valid May 9; H valid May 16; J valid May 23. All, including unused E stamps, valid through May 31. Each weekly series good for 16 points.

May 31—Blue stamps G, H and J valid through May 31.

SUGAR

May 31—Stamp No. 12, book No. 1, good for five pounds, expires at midnight.

COFFEE

May 30—Stamp No. 23, book 1, good for one pound, expires at midnight.

SHOES

June 15—Stamp No. 17, book 1, valid for purchase of one pair of shoes, expires at midnight.

FUEL OIL

September 30—Period 5 coupons

valid March 26, through Sept. 30. Heating coupons one unit, value 10 gallons; ten units, 100 gallons.

GASOLINE

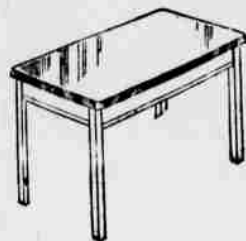
May 21— No. 5 stamps, in A book, each good for four gallons, expires at midnight.

TIRES

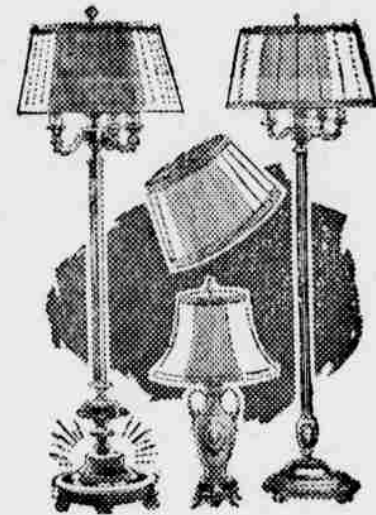
May 31—Cars with C books must have tires inspected by this date; B books by June 30. First inspection for A bookholders must have been made by March 31; subsequent inspections within every six-months period thereafter, but at least 90 days apart. Sept. 30 next tire inspection deadline for A books.

Soldiers' socks are expected to last 50 percent longer as a result of a new process of treating wool now used by the Indian army.

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New milk bottles are hard to buy! Bring in every empty bottle in your possession . . . we will allow you 5 cents for each usable bottle.

Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated. BUT ACT NOW! THIS IS A WAR NECESSITY!

Alfalfa Lawn Dairy

It Isn't Harvest Time Not for several months But NOW is the time to make a start to get ready for harvest.

Things being what they are we suggest that you get your

Drapers and Cell Belts

repaired without delay.

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