

## Mrs. America Meets the War

Being a stay-at-home is not only fashionable this summer, but it's a patriotic responsibility of Mrs. America and her family to travel only when necessary. Here's the way the Office of Defense Transportation looks upon travel during this wartime summer. If you make a train or bus trip for any of the following six purposes it's non-essential travel: Trips to other cities to visit friends, trips home for the week-end, sightseeing trips, trips to the theater, races or other places of amusement, any social travel or travel for pleasure, travel merely for the sake of going somewhere. Curbing unessential travel is imperative because of heavy troop movements and other military traffic.

If Mrs. America hasn't made up her mind that wide variety in furniture is out for the duration, she can be certain of that fact now that a WPB order has gone into effect cutting the number of existing patterns allowed manufacturers. But they're free to select those patterns. It is expected that manufacturers will concentrate on the most desired furniture, cutting out novelty items. Of course, it's no easy task being a furniture manufacturer these days, obtaining materials and labor. Many types of wood are not available for civilian goods for they're needed for military uses, and metal is permitted furniture makers only for essential joining parts. But good old American ingenuity has been able to get around the lack of metal, and comfortable and satisfactory furniture without springs has been developed. As for upholstering furniture, there's a change in the stuffing used since fine down is reserved for army sleeping bags, and kapok is in the navy now filling life boats. However, cotton wadding and some types of feathers are available. Besides several varieties of plant fuzz are being tried.

Mrs. America will have until Oct. 31 to make her selection of footwear with the new shoe stamp, number 18 in war ration book one. That's 11 days longer than the period of validity for stamp 17. The length of time assigned to the shoe stamps brings the rate of purchasing to about the same as it was during the period from 1936 through 1941.

Here's good news on the textile situation. Improvement in wool supplies in recent months is responsible for a relaxation of some restrictions of the WPB. For example, manufacturers no longer are required to use any part of their wool quotas blended with reprocessed or used wool or with other fibres. The choice of using wool quotas either for a production of 100 percent wool or blended civilian yarns and cloths is left to the manufacturer. Reporting on the cotton fabric production, the WPB explained that production for the first quarter of 1943 exceeded that of the same period in 1942 by 27,000,000 linear yards.

The new pay-as-you-go income tax law, which goes into effect July 1, has focused Mrs. America's attention to the Bureau of Internal Revenue. As a matter of fact, the bureau will draw the interest of many women workers for most of the approximately 15,000 new employees added to handle the new tax system will be women. However, the addition of so many women employees is not new to the bureau. As far back as February, 1942 women employees made up to 42.8 percent of the total personnel. Although the majority of the women employees are clerical workers, many of them have been handling technical jobs requiring thorough knowledge of various tax laws.

And now for encouraging news from the leather goods department. There should be more dress gloves and mittens, pocketbooks, handbags, brief cases, tobacco pouches and key cases made of cattle hide and calf and kid skin leather on the market. These leather products for

civilian use had been prohibited, but a WPB amendment will allow manufacturers to use until December 31 cattle hide and calf and kid skin leather for any purpose provided it was ordered prior to Feb. 17, 1943 and delivered before April 1.

The letters "MR" on radio tubes made for home sets stand for "Maintenance and Repair" and they earmark tubes which are made from materials allocated for civilian sets. Speaking of radios, it is not necessary now to remove a radio from an automobile when selling the car or to get a special WPB authorization for such a transfer without removal of the radio.

It should be easy for Mrs. America to remember the point values set on the latest additions to the red stamp ration list, evaporated and condensed milk. Any number of small-sized cans whose total weight is one pound or less may be purchased for a single point. Although one six-ounce can costs one point, two six-ounce cans also can be obtained with one point.

When Johnny Doughboy comes home on a leave of absence he'll be able to obtain ration allotments to share with the family at whose table he eats. Formerly it was necessary for a member of the armed services to present his leave papers at the local war price and rationing board for a point certificate. Now a serviceman is provided with a completed application form before he leaves camp, and he turns it over to the person named as provider of board, having 15 days after the semi-meals. The food provider then submits the application to the local viceman's furlough ends to do this.

Along the shores of the Great Lakes and the Mississippi river, \$765,000,000 worth of sea-going vessels a figure more than twice as great as was spent by the navy in 1940 for all new naval construction.



### Recruits Are Needed for



Earn the respect and the gratitude of those on the home front and our soldiers overseas . . . . .

The farmers in your community need your help in harvesting the crops this year so that we will be assured of an adequate food supply . . . . .

Put your summer spare time into vital work for the war effort and earn added dollars to buy those war bonds.

**JOIN THE LAND ARMY NOW!**

**COXEN'S Barber Shop**

## PINE CITY NEWS

By **BERNICE WATTENBURGER**

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Wattenburger and son Jean of Pasco spent Saturday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Oscar McCarty.

Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Myers and family and Mrs. Frances Finch made a business trip to Walla Walla Monday.

Heppner callers on business Monday were Harold Wilkins, Mr. and Mrs. John Healy, Mr. and Mrs. Marion Finch and daughter Patty, Mrs. George Curran and sons and Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Wattenburger.

Bill Finch and Mrs. Adams of Hermiston spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Marion Finch.

Rain Sunday night and Monday stopped haying on the creek for Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Finch spent Monday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Hughes.

Mrs. George Curran was called for jury duty at the spring term of court.

Elroy Moore who has been visiting for two weeks in Seattle returned Sunday evening to the Rus-

## Wetmore Library Books Installed

By **Mrs. Harold Kirkham**

The Wetmore library board reports that all books have been received and that work on entering and classifying them has started. It is hoped to have the library open in the next few weeks. The chairman, Mrs. Marie Rhoton, reports that several donors have turned in some really good books, including one encyclopedia. Other board members are Mrs. H. N. Kirkham and Mrs. L. H. Knowles.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Kirkham drove to Pendleton last week to meet Mr. Kirkham's brother who has recently arrived from the Brit-

ish Honduras. He had been visiting his family before leaving the States again for Alaska.

Mr. and Mrs. L. N. Provo moved into the house recently occupied by the Eddie Myers family. Eddie has moved to his ranch at Fossil.

Mr. and Mrs. Les Harris drove to Pendleton last week and brought their daughter "Cappy" back with them for a few weeks stay. Cappy attended school at Pendleton and is looking forward to working there this summer.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Betts received word late Friday from Yakima, Wash., that Mrs. Betts' father, Charles Wier, was critically ill at his home. Mrs. Betts will stay till his condition improves.

Wallace Moore is up and playing again after a light case of measles.

To buy, sell or trade, use the G-T advertising columns.

## Put on Your Jeans and JOIN THE LAND ARMY!



Uncle Sam needs workers to help our farmers harvest the crops! If you are not employed in vital war work and can give a few weeks, or the whole summer, get out those denims and go to work on the farm!



*Peterson's*

## Uncle Sam Needs Your Help...

**JOIN THE**



All the food our farmers can raise will not **beat the Axis** unless we help in this year's harvest. If you have any free time this summer, do your country a service and get out in the fields to help our farmers! It's not easy work—far from it—but you will be fairly paid and doubly compensated by your sense of pride and accomplishment in doing your part in this important summer war job.

Inquire at the U. S. Employment Service or Agricultural Agency

**Ferguson Motor Co.**