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Cooperation Will Help

Motorists who refuse to recognize the seriousness of the rubber shortage, as well as gasoline, are hastening the day when a gas coupon will be good for one half of the present quota. Indications point to a further cut in the quota as a measure to safeguard the needs of the armed forces and critical industries. Many motor vehicle operators already have felt the pinch resulting from the shortage of rubber, while others have practically abandoned the use of their cars since the tread on their tires has almost disappeared.

Perhaps some figures released by the OPA will enlighten us on the tire shortage. In 1941, the public had access to 53,500,000 new passenger car tires, plus a substantial quantity of used tires. That was enough tires to equip approximately 15,000,000 cars. During 1942, the quota of passenger tires made available to OPA by the War Production Board for rationing was 3,700,000. The figures are obvious. It is stated that the tires available for passenger cars in 1943 endangers the transportation of essential war workers. The quota of both new and used tires to keep the essential cars operating is only 17,000,000. This figure has to take care of approximately 24,000,000 cars, the total number in operation, on the basis of less than an average of one tire per car. Do you get the idea?

Every car owner can do something toward alleviating the tire shortage by adopting a few rules and sticking by them. First, do only essential driving. Refrain from pleasure driving. Second, if you have an essential trip coming up, don't keep it to yourself. There may be others wishing to go to the same point on business. Be a car-sharer. Third, conserve your tires by frequent

RETURNING TO DUTY

Calvin Crawford, who has spent the past few days here visiting his mother, Mrs. Lera Crawford, will leave for California Friday morning, driving his mother's car as far as Berkeley where his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Githens reside. Calvin has completed his basic training with the "Seabees" and expects to get further training in a California camp. He returned from Virginia via southern California where he visited his brother Hugh at UCLA.

REBEKAHS MEET

Rebekahs in regular meeting Nov. 19 heard a report on the recent convention held at Ione. The delegates, Mrs. N. D. Bailey and Mrs. Frank Davidson, gave a complete report. A social meeting will be held on Dec. 3, at which time each member will be privileged to bring a friend.

SERVICES AT LENA

Archdeacon Neville Blunt has arranged to hold a service of worship at 3 o'clock, p. m. on the fourth Sunday of each month at the home of Mrs. Mabel Hughes at Lena. A welcome is extended to the public to attend.

HAS CAST REMOVED

Gene Stone went to The Dalles the first of the week to have the cast removed from his leg which was badly fractured a few weeks ago. Ralph Wilson drove him down in his car.

Let part of your gift to that trainee of yours be a writing kit with his name printed under his insignia. We have a few boxes,

checking; if they are wearing thin, have them recapped before it is too late. This does not require a certificate. Fourth, keep within the prescribed 35 miles per hour limit. You are saving both gas and tires. And lastly, do not be misled if you happen to read that South American rubber is being shipped to the United States. Some has been received but as yet production has not reached a substantial stage and may not be counted upon for two or three years. A 20,000-ton shipment may sound big but it is no nearer solving the tire shortage than the winning of one battle means the end of the war is close at hand.

Flying Discourages Atheism

Early in the Philippine campaign we learned that there are no atheists in foxholes. This is understandable. If a man believes in a supreme being and a life hereafter, whether an avowed Christian or not, his thoughts turn in that direction while seeking such protection as a foxhole offers.

It seems that the man in the foxhole has no monopoly on the "no atheist" theory. Men of other branches of the service feel that they too know the presence of God in their most trying moments.

A young man of our acquaintance who is with the army air corps recently wrote his parents that the saying "there are no atheists in foxholes" holds just as true in the air corps. As he put it, one cannot fly at 30,000 feet over Germany and feel that he is not close to God." There was no joking in that expression. It was made in all seriousness, for apparently he was not speaking without authority that is born of experience. Incidentally, it was an adroit way of telling his people that he has been over enemy territory, without violating censorship regulations. Further proof is offered by the statement that he knows the real meaning of duck hunting, only in this instance he was the duck.

But we are digressing from the original thought. It is one of the quirks of human nature that we do not recognize authority, divine or otherwise, until we are in trouble or under great stress. Under such conditions, men—and women, too—who ordinarily refer to God in a profane manner turn to Him for assistance. We may be atheists to all outward appearances but deep down under there is a belief in something that is ever present although not visible. Our boys in the trenches, on the sea and in the air can tell us more about this than we can ever learn from reading or listening to good sermons.

Chest Committee Guests of Isoms

In recognition of valuable services rendered during the recent Oregon War Chest campaign, Chairman Blaine E. Isom and Mrs. Isom entertained the members of the county organization and their wives and husbands at a dinner at the Isom home Sunday evening.

Attending members were Blaine Isom and V. L. Carlson, members of the state board; Elmer Hunt, Frances Carlson, Mrs. Lucy Rodgers and Frank W. Turner. Orville Cutsforth, other member of the state board, was unable to attend.

LEAVE EXTENDED

Merle Burkenbine will report back to training camp on Dec. 3, having been given an extension to help operate the Heppner market over the busy Thanksgiving period. An effort is being made to get an extended leave for Reece Burkenbine. The boys' father, A. E. Burkenbine, is confined at home with a

serious heart ailment.

MRS. MARGARET FARLEY

Funeral services for Mrs. Margaret Farley of Willows who died Friday evening in Portland, were held from St. Patrick's Catholic church here Wednesday morning, with Father Francis McCormick officiating. Mrs. Farley succumbed to a lingering illness. She was the widow of the late Pat Farley who came to his death in an accident carried on with the sheep ranch number of years ago. Mrs. Farley and attained success. Her maiden name was Byrne and she was a resident of New York when she and her husband were married. To this union were born five daughters and one son.

GO TO HOOD RIVER

With school out for the rest of the week, Supt. George Corwin and family left Wednesday for Hood River to spend Thanksgiving with relatives. From there Mr. Corwin will go on in to Portland to attend a school meeting the last of the week.

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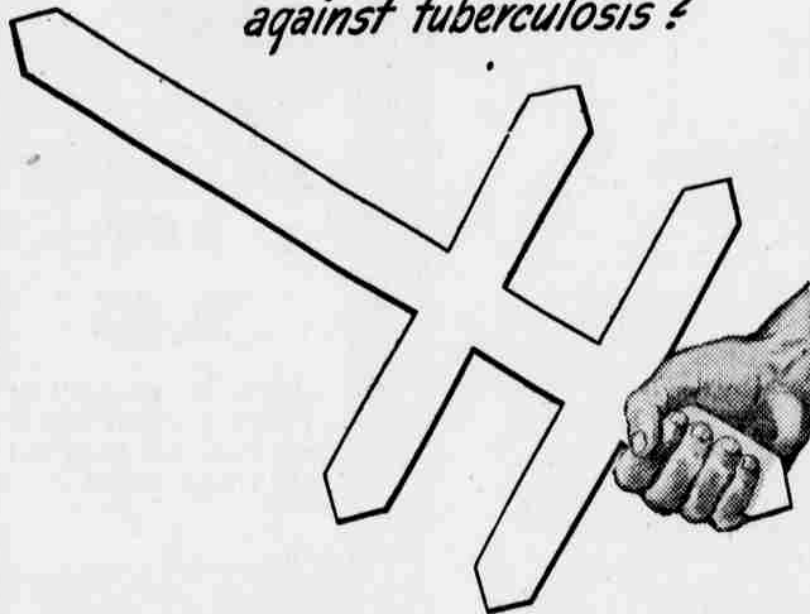
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