



Mrs. America Meets the War

Here's a tip. Don't begin pressing your dealer for one of the new electric irons. The WPB has authorized manufacture of the new irons—in plants with available labor if there be no interference with war contracts. Only two million irons will be made compared to the peak production of five million in 1941.

Lady beware and don't use stamp No. 40 in book four to buy sugar unless you intend to use it for canning. Stamp 40 is only for canning sugar and is good through February 28, 1945. If your needs for sugar are greater as the canning season advances, you may apply to your local board for more than the five-pound allotment for canning. No 30 in book four is currently valid for five pounds of sugar for general use.

Speaking of canning, Mrs. America will find the rubber rings for canning this year will be made of reclaimed rubber and synthetics. The experts say that the wartime rings will require somewhat differ-

Washington D. C., March 2.—The unexpected death of Oregon's senior senator, Charles L. McNary, has changed the entire political picture in Oregon and some surprise moves are in the making. After the funeral, which will be held Friday in Salem, the late senator's hometown, Gov. Earl Snell will announce to the public his appointee who will serve until Jan. 3, 1945. In the coming May election each party will nominate a candidate and one will be elected in November to serve out the four-year unexpired term of the late senator. So Oregon will elect two senators this coming November—one for the regular six year term and one to serve out the balance of Senator McNary's term, which has four years to go from this coming January. In the interim the governor will appoint a senator who will serve about ten months.

It is almost a certainty that Governor Snell will not appoint a Portland man, inasmuch as Senator Rufus Holman is from Portland. So the new togaman will undoubtedly be from up-state. It is also very reasonable to believe that whomever the governor appoints the appointee will agree not to be a candidate for election but will serve ten months only and then retire. This move will leave the field wide open for everyone, including Gov. Earl Snell, who, the wise men say, is now seriously considering becoming a candidate.

The one big "if" which may upset the plans of many political candidates is Mrs. Charles L. McNary, the senator's widow. Rumor has it a group of the late senator's friends will try to persuade her to be a candidate to serve out her husband's unexpired term. Such a happening would make it mighty tough for other candidates if Mrs. McNary takes kindly to the idea. Her candidacy would surely muddle the political waters of Oregon, and it may be that the governor will offer her the appointment to the ten month's term in order to clear up the situation.

WHEN President Roosevelt attempted to pack the supreme court and the late Senator Charles L. McNary, minority leader, was apparently doing nothing, the senator received a telegram signed by all the brass hats of the Republican party in Oregon "demanding" that he take the floor and fight the scheme of the president. McNary bristled and wired back to the effect that "you mind your business, and I'll mind mine. I know what I am doing."

This made the party leaders hostile and not until the presidential plot was defeated did the Oregon Republicans see the smartness of McNary's strategy. He put a silencer on his Republican colleagues and encouraged Democrats to right among themselves, and the trick won. "If republican senators attacked Mr. Roosevelt and his court packing plan," explained McNary "the democrats would have suspected the republicans of playing politics and would have rallied to the defense of the president's program."

McNary worked on the theory that when a family is in a fight the members will unite to attack any outsider who steps into the house. The Oregon's senator's strategy killed the court bill, and the democrats were so engrossed in tearing the president's measure to bits that they failed to notice that the republicans on the other side of the aisle sat as silent as an Easter Island lava image.

SPECULATION is still rife in the national capital as to the identity of

the individual who wrote the veto message on the tax bill for the president. The language is different from the style of the usual message or veto, and the suspicion exists that someone close to Mr. Roosevelt prepared it with the express intention of sticking pins in congress and undertaking to array the people of the country against the congressmen and make them appear as though they were handicapping the war. Mr. Roosevelt did not realize the anger he was arousing until a faithful "listening post" heard Senator Barkley resign his leadership, and then Mr. Big realized he had kicked his faithful followers in the teeth.

WORD from Oregon says that the famed Oregon system is about to have holes knocked in it. Willkie managers are preparing a slate of 15 delegates to the republican national convention, each with the same slogan, and efforts are being made to keep any others off the ballot. This is the old machine politics which was abolished by the Oregon presidential preferential primaries 30 years or more ago, and which initiated the election of United States senators by the people instead of politicians in the legislature.

ent handling. So look for the instructions given by manufacturers. Another canning note—there will be approximately 500,000 enamel water bath canners manufactured this year.

Mrs. America will have a longer period over which to budget her points now that the new streamline food rationing program provides for validity periods of approximately 12 weeks for blue and red ration stamps. The first set of blue ration stamps in book four—A8, B8, C8, D8 and E8 was validated on Feb. 27 to expire on May 20. Red stamps A8, B8 and C8 in the same book are good for meats and fats purchases until May 20 also.

And speaking of foods, Mrs. America's family has been well fed despite the huge war requirement for foods. Records reveal that civilians consumed from five to seven percent more food in 1943 than in the pre-war period 1935-39. According to the record keepers, the civilian diet of 1943 was superior from a nutritional point of view to the pre-war diet of 1935-39.

Tips to motorists who would keep black marketers from siphoning gasoline from the limited civilian supply. Don't buy gasoline coupons or accept as a gift stamps not issued to you by your local board. Don't buy gasoline without giving up the proper coupons. Don't apply for more gasoline than you'll actually need for essential purposes. Write your license number and state of registration on every single gasoline coupon now.

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