

EDITORIAL

Needless Gas Usage

Inquiry at the meeting held in the Elks hall Wednesday evening brought out the fact that too much gas is used in obtaining gas. That sounds a little thick but putting it the way one man said it "why is it necessary for me to burn one gallon of gas in trying to get five gallons?", meaning of course, that each time he wanted additional gas he had to make a trip to the local board from wherever he was working.

There is another case in mind. A party wishing to go to Portland made application for extra gas. Before the application could be filed it was necessary for that person to make a trip home to get some data. If properly informed the party had to return home a second time, but that may not have been the board's fault. Nevertheless, the applicant was burning gas that was greatly needed in the every-day use of the family car and certainly not saving the precious fluid in the manner expected by the OPA.

If the same rule is in practice throughout the nation it is little wonder that the OPA is having difficulty counteracting the black market. The man in question boldly stated to the OPA authorities that he had to "borrow" a gallon of gas to get to town last night and that he probably would

have to bootleg another gallon to get back home. Inasmuch as the gas panel was in attendance at the meeting it was announced that if the party would remain and present his papers they would be acted upon right there. That was a good move, but it must be remembered that people serving on the panels are doing so from a patriotic motive and that all applications cannot be acted upon as promptly as the one under discussion.

It would be a good thing for applicants to have all information at hand when going to the rationing office, particularly those driving in from a distance. If this is done, delays or extra trips are more or less on the rationing officials.

There were almost twice as many business "deaths" as "births" in the nation in the two years immediately after Pearl Harbor, the United States Chamber of Commerce reports. The federal Department of Commerce says this is due not so much to the economic forces of war as to the owners finding attractive opportunities in war industries or having been called to the armed services. Doors of 1,073,000 business enterprises closed in the two-year period, while 572,000 new businesses opened. Most of the "deaths" involved small firms.

MRS. JOHN PIPER WAS NATIVE OF GERMANY

Mrs. John Piper, whose death occurred Feb. 28, was a native of Germany having been born Feb. 27, 1867 at Hosp. At the age of 18, she, with a girl companion, came to Dixon, Calif., which has been the home of members of her family ever since. She and Mr. Piper were married Oct. 9, 1890 at Milton, Oregon, coming to Morrow county to make their home. She resided near Lexington for 55 years.

Surviving besides her husband are two sons, Arnold and Rufus Pi-

per, both of Lexington, seven grand children and one great grandchild; one sister, Sophie Goettsch, and three brothers, William, Andrew and Amiel Kaiser, all of Dixon, Calif.

Mrs. Piper was a member of the Lutheran church.

INDUCTED IN NAVY

Leonard Walter Gilman and Geo. W. Wicklander Jr. of Heppner have been inducted in the navy according to information reaching the local selective service office this week.

TO VISIT FATHER

Hugh Corwin and son Robert of Dunsuir, Calif were guests at the George Corwin home for a few days. The men are brothers and the illness of their father was the reason for the visit at this time.

Victor Robert Rietmann, son of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Rietmann of Ione, recently was inducted into the army at Fort Lewis, Wash.

RM 2/c Claude Pettyjohn is spending a leave from the navy visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Pettyjohn at Lexington.

MONTH'S ACTIVITIES OF MORROW COUNTY COMMITTEE

Activities during February of the Morrow county Camp and Hospital committee shows the usual helpful acts in providing comforts for the service men at McCaw General hospital. A brief summary gives an idea of the sunshine spread by the judicious use of the money and other generous gifts from all over the county.

Carnation club of Degree of Honor sent an afghan which was sent to the head nurse at Pasco Naval station. McCaw hospital received all else: 12 prizes and three birthday gifts to the Elks ward, selection and wrapping done by Mrs. John Bergstrom; Miss Leta Humphreys sent valentines and gifts for the boys to send away, for ward 47; A generous woman who gave a new radio at Christmas time, gave a check for \$25. Ten dollars was given in the Elks ward for a hot dog party.

A gift of 22 prizes and two boxes of candy were sent to ward 47 for their valentine party by Mrs. Howard Cleveland and Mrs. Paul Webb. Lexington grange provided prizes for end of month party in ward 47.

A nice table lamp from Gilliam and Bisbee; Mrs. Ed Bennett sent a box of funnies; extension cords were sent by committee; a box of westerns and two games donors unknown; new magazines and shade for table lamp; \$5 check from Mrs. Newt O'Harra of Lexington, also cards.

After a visit to McCaw the committee sent \$100 to provide a phonograph for ward 36 which contains boys just out of closed wards and still denied the recreation halls; also a phonograph for ward 16 which contains all wounded officers. The \$25 check from Dan Dinges from Luxembourg was used to start furnishing a lounging room for men in closed wards at McCaw. Willows Home Ec club sent \$10 for January and February. This was used in the closed wards.

An appeal is being made for new, clean and untorn magazines, not older than February, '45, Life, Popular Mechanics, Time, Readers Digest, Post, Colliers, American, Field and Stream, Liberty, Newsweek, Esquire, any magazine, or comic book of interest to the boys. Leave with La Verne Van Marter and they will be sent to wards 46, 47 and 36.

ALL THIS— AND MARBLES TOO

Len Ray, young son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Schwarz celebrated his fifth birthday on Monday with a party for several little friends. The afternoon was spent playing games and opening the gifts the guests had brought to their host. At the close of the afternoon Mrs. Schwarz and Mrs. Ed Burchell served ice cream and birthday cake to Meredith Thomson, Terry and Judy Thompson, Kay and Karen Valentine, Gail and Larry Burchell, and Jimmy Valentine.

RETURN FROM CALIFORNIA

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Baker and daughters returned Monday night after a trip into California to visit their sons in service. Pvt Merle Baker was at his home on embarkation leave with his little family who reside at Avenol, California. Clarence Baker member of the Seabees is at Camp Parks awaiting reassignment after nearly two years in North Africa.

BRIEF BUSINESS TRIP

Business details for both their new house and the Rosewall Motor company took Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Rosewall to Portland Sunday where they put in a full day Monday, returning that evening.

RECOVERING AT HOME

Mrs. J. G. Thomson has returned to her home after spending some time in the hospital in The Dalles. Mrs. Thomson is still very weak, but is quite improved.

LONG HOPED-FOR LEAVE

Louis Buschke, MM 2/c, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Buschke, is home on 30 days leave. This is his first leave since enlisting in the navy in 1941.

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