

TIRE PRODUCERS PLAN TO MATCH CAR PRODUCTION

30,000,000 Passenger Car Tires Needed in 1944 to Meet Civilian Needs.

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Detroit (U.P.)—The rubber industry is gearing itself to keep pace with automobile manufacturers' postwar plans to build 6,000,000 passenger cars annually, an increase of 50 per cent over normal peacetime output.

Edwin J. Thomas, president of the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co. at Akron, O., believes tire producers, using natural as well as synthetic rubber, will be ready to equip the cars rolling from re-converted assembly lines after the war.

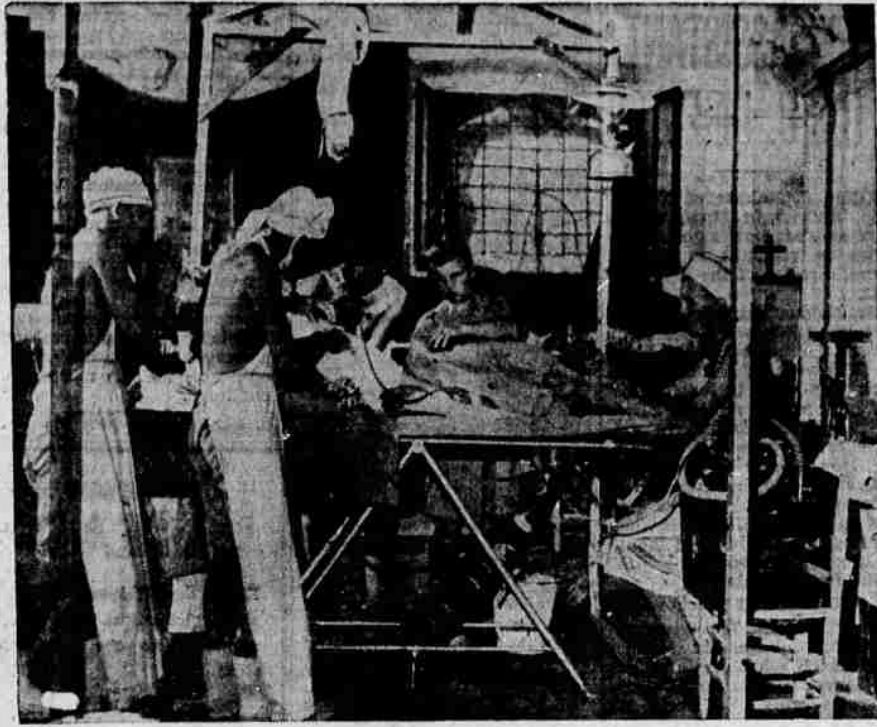
Although describing the synthetic rubber-expansion program since outbreak of war as an "industrial miracle," the Goodyear executive predicts that natural rubber still will be an important factor in the industry after hostilities cease.

"You can't count crude rubber out of the picture," he said, "when you can still tap a rubber tree at 3 cents a pound."

Concerned About '44
Thomas isn't concerned as much about meeting the demands of expanded passenger car production after the war as he is about the industry's ability to fill its staggering 1944 schedules.

In 1944, he said, the industry must manufacture a minimum of 30,000,000 passenger car tires for essential civilian transportation, plus a minimum of 7,500,

British Surgeons Operate in Church



The bright glare of a gasoline lamp replaces the dimmed altar candles in this church near Chiunsi Pass, Italy, where British surgeons are operating on a battle casualty. The hospital was set up in the church during fierce fighting at the pass.

000 truck tires for commercial vehicles. This program, he added, is in addition to demand of the armed services for more and bigger tires next year.

"We'll need more machinery, and we'll need it fast," Thomas emphasized. "In Goodyear alone, we will need 4,000 more workers in Akron and another 5,000 at 6,000 plants at Jackson, Mich., Gadsden, Ala., and Los Angeles, to meet our share of 1944 tire requirements."

He said Goodyear is stepping up its tire-making capacity by converting two plants which have been turning out guns and cartridges. Other rubber manufacturers also are converting war plants to tire production.

Synthetic "Rolling In"
Thomas said Goodyear has priorities for obtaining most of the new machinery to convert these plants, but explained the priorities "are not high enough to obtain deliveries when we need the machines."

The United States enters 1944 with approximately 125,000 tons of crude rubber remaining in its stock pile, according to Thomas. Next year, he said, our synthetic plants will begin producing at the rate of 800,000 tons, with 135,000 to 150,000 tons of crude coming in from Latin America, Ceylon and Africa.

"As the crude stock pile dwindles," Thomas asserted, "the production of synthetic rolls in with a tremendous surge. It stands as an industrial miracle."

The biggest immediate obstacle to increased synthetic production, the Goodyear president said, is the manpower shortage. He said the manufacture and fabrication of synthetic rubber requires 20 per cent more manpower than natural rubber.

Dates Announced For Brown Stamps

Washington, Oct. 20 (U.P.)—The office of price administration today announced dates when brown stamps in ration book 3 will be good for buying rationed meat, fats, oils and dairy products. The stamps and their validity period are: G, Oct. 24-Dec. 4; H, Oct. 31-Dec. 4; J, Nov. 7-Dec. 4; K, Nov. 14-Dec. 4.

Col. Lester Maitland, 45 Flies Against Huns Again

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American Medium Bomber Base, Somewhere in England
—(U.P.)—Big, genial Lester Maitland, who in 1918 flew against the Hun in France, who in 1927 made the first trans-Pacific flight from San Francisco to Honolulu, who in 1941 escaped Jap bombs at Clark Field and for a year thereafter sought revenge in the Pacific, today is back on the firing line against the Germans.

Maitland is a colonel now, leading one of the groups of Marauder medium bombers who are hitting almost daily at the Luftwaffe's bases and depots throughout France—some of them outgrowths of the same crude fields from which Maitland flew be-winged Jennies in another war.

Now 45, Maitland still carries a trim, hard, muscular 220 pounds on his 6-foot 2½-inch frame, and he is as eager for combat with the German as when he first took up a gun and a joystick against him 25 years ago.

The rules restrict command pilots from flying but a limited number of missions with their men, so Maitland holds out for only the most dangerous jobs.

He holds the second Distinguished Flying Cross ever issued—for his flight to Hawaii with Alfred F. Hegenberger—and he'll soon be adding to it the Silver Star. That decoration has been recommended for the attack against Boulogne last month, one of the most difficult the Marauders have undertaken.

"... For gallantry in action, personally leading his group in the face of heavy anti-aircraft," the recommendation reads.

Maitland, whose home is at (116 West Hulsache) San Antonio, Tex., has been described by those with whom he works and flies as "typical of the best in American air commanders."

"He's a disciplinarian, but he doesn't pull his rank at a party," the men who fly under him say, and that's right at the top of the rung so far as recommendations go.

He is as tough as a boot when things go wrong. He won't tolerate incompetence. On the other

hand he is a loyal commander and awards jobs well done, as Maj. George Dougherty of Tampa, Fla., will testify. Dougherty's been with Mait-

land for several years. He started this war as Maitland's sergeant-major at Clark Field in the Philippines. Now he is adjutant of the whole group, as commissioned officer.

Maitland has been known to explode on occasion, but nothing ever compared with the repercussion when some wag said of his precious Marauder bombers: "Do you think, Colonel, that the B-26 will ever replace the airplane?"

HUNTERS FREEZE IN SUDDEN STORM

American Fork, Utah, Oct. 20 (U.P.)—Caught by a sudden snowstorm high in the rugged Wasatch mountains near here, two deer hunters were frozen to death today, a third was missing and a fourth hospitalized after being severely frozen.

Dead were Owen Ash, 31, Pleasant Grove, Utah, and Ronald Malcom, 31, Provo, Utah. Missing was Merling Remington, 31, home not immediately determined.

Hospitalized was Bill Hunter, 25, Pleasant Grove. He was found late yesterday with his arms badly frozen. His condition was reported serious, but not critical.

Hunter was found late yesterday with his arms, severely frozen, wrapped around a tree. He was brought to the hospital here for treatment.

The six men had started on their hunt early Monday, a warm, fall day.

Baers Ordered to New Army Station

Sacramento, Oct. 20 (U.P.)—McClellan Field reported today that Sgts. Max and Buddy Baer, former heavyweight boxers, will report to Patterson Field, Dayton, Ohio, on Oct. 25 in a "permanent change of station."

Since March they have been instructing air service command soldiers in physical training and rough and tumble fighting.

Closing time for Sunday Too Late to Classify, 5:30 Saturday afternoon—Please remember.

Deanna Durbin Ends Marriage



Singer Deanna Durbin announced the end of her "perfect marriage" to Vaughn Paul, former producer, now in the Navy. They are shown here on their wedding day in April, 1941.

Vast Bomb Load Delivered by RAF In Summer Raids

London, Oct. 20 (U.P.)—The Royal air force announced today that in the 100 nights between July 9 and Oct. 18 it dropped more than 48,000 tons of bombs on Germany and 8,000 tons on occupied territory.

British bombers dropped more than 2,000 tons on German targets in each of 10 raids.

The raiding fleets carried between 500 and 1,000 tons of bombs in seven attacks, between 1,000 and 1,500 in nine, and between 1,500 and 2,000 tons nine times, the RAF commentator reported.

Burma Road Will Bring Needed Tin

Chungking, Oct. 20 (U.P.)—Preparations are under way to resume full-scale exports of tin, tungsten, antimony and mercury from the rich mineral fields of China when the Burma road is reopened following the Allied southeast Asia counter-offensive, spokesmen from the ministry of economics revealed today.

Since closing of the Burma road, limited exports have been made by air.

NAZI RETREAT

New York, Oct. 20 (U.P.)—There, according to government monitors, is the latest Nazi definition of a retreat:

"Energetically reversing the fighting direction."

The phrase was used in a DNB News Agency dispatch describing a Russian attack north of Kiev.

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VICEROY SWORN IN
New Delhi, Oct. 20 (U.P.)—Viscount Wavell of Cyrenaica and Winchester was sworn in as the 19th viceroy and governor-general of India in the Durbar Hall of the Vice-Regal house today.

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MEDFORD COMMUNITY & WAR CHEST

A Message From the Bakers of

Fluhrer's
BREAD AND CAKES

Keep PRICES from SKYROCKETING 7 FRONTS in the fight against INFLATION!

- One . . . Buy and Hold War Bonds.
- Two . . . Pay higher taxes willingly.
- Three . . . Pay off old debts and avoid making new ones.
- Four . . . Pay no more than ceiling prices.
- Five . . . Share and play square in the rationing program.
- Six . . . Buy only what you actually NEED.
- Seven . . . Don't ask for higher prices, higher profits, higher wages.

You'll find also that a Checking Account will help check inflation by enabling you to ration your spending wisely.

Medford Branch of the
UNITED STATES NATIONAL BANK
of Portland

MEMBER FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

FIRE WON'T WAIT!

You can't say "Just a moment, please" to a burning building. You can't investigate smoke at your earliest convenience. You can't talk a fire out of burning, nor can you bluff your way out of one.

Be prepared to protect your home. Join The Fire Guards today and help keep Oregon fireproof.

A Fire Guard Team is made up of from three to five persons and one team is required for every block. An essential unit of Civilian Defense. Fire Guards are trained to prevent and fight fire.

They are taught the correct use of equipment, the fundamentals of personal safety, and the method of identifying the various types of incendiaries. Each Fire Guard team is equipped with a pump can, which, with proper use, can extinguish a small fire or control a larger one until help arrives. Through the cooperation of these teams, many homes on your block may be saved.

Fires have wrought havoc throughout the world. The future of the fast-growing industrial cities of the Northwest depends on your ability to protect it. This is your job. It is up to you to reduce the loss of life and property in your community. Fire Guards receive instruction in combating not only incendiaries and bomb fires, but all types of everyday conflagrations.

Under the supervision of the Block Wardens, Fire Guard Teams are now being organized. Both men and women are needed in this vital volunteer organization. It is the duty of every able-bodied civilian to contribute his full share of time and effort toward final victory.

DON'T WAIT FOR THE SMOKE; ENROLL NOW IN THE FIRE GUARDS

Contact your Block Warden or call Office of Civilian Defense. Fire school classes being organized now; requires only a few hours of your time. This statement has been prepared and released by the BLITZ-WEINHARD COMPANY with the approval of the Oregon State Defense Council.