

RATION BOOK 2 PREPARED FOR POINT SYSTEM

By OWI

Nineteen printing plants scattered across the nation are rolling in full production on war ration book two, which will introduce the point rationing system to the American people. They will be distributed soon after the first of the year.

The government printing office, which handles OPA's printing jobs, considers the printing of 180 million copies of war ration book two to be the biggest job of its kind in the history of the country, if not of the world, and after the books are printed they have to be distributed to every nook and cranny of this vast land.

Safety Paper

These immense printing and distribution requirements are in themselves an important reason why rationing programs cannot be put into effect overnight.

Before the books could be printed at all, 96 carloads of special safety paper had to be ordered, manufactured and shipped to the plants which are doing the job. This safety paper will prove a real headache to anyone foolish enough to try to counterfeit ration books. The paper used in the books can be quickly identified by any one of a number of simple, secret tests that even an unskilled person can apply if he knows the technique. It took 30 days to get this paper manufactured and shipped.

Printers Found

Arranging for the actual printing of the books was an even greater task than getting the special paper. There are 182 ration stamps in each book. Multiply that by 150 million books and you get almost 30 billion stamps—a figure which happens to exceed twelve years continuous production of all the postage stamps used in the United States.

A job like that could not possibly be handled on government presses within the 60 days allowed for printing and distribution of war ration book two. So the government printing office scoured the nation to find printers who could handle the job on a rush basis. It found that only 19 printers could show the capacity and were willing to produce the books in volume and even then some had to get special equipment, for the books must be printed on a press that will print, perforate and number them in a continuous operation. The first books came off the press back in November and now that job is running the completed books are rolling off the presses in plants in some cities at a rate as fast as 500,000 a day.

Shipped Out

The cities which share in the job are—Waltham, Mass.; Niagara Falls, N. Y.; Tuckahoe, N. Y.; New Rochelle, N. Y.; Hoboken, N. J.; Scranton, Pa.; Pittsburgh, Pa.; Franklin, Pa.; Baltimore, Md.; Dayton, Ohio; Chicago, (two plants); Houston, Tex.; Minneapolis, Oakland, Calif. (two plants); and Los Angeles.

As the completed books roll off the presses, they are bundled and started on their trip to the 5500 war price and rationing boards throughout the country. Altogether, shipping the books will take up the equivalent of four freight trains of 30 cars each. Distribution should be completed during January, but in connection with distribution, it is well to remember that OPA, like everyone else, is affected by the transportation shortages. If a shipment of military supplies needs the freight train that is loaded with ration books, OPA unloads and waits, even if it means postponing a rationing program.

Hay Presides in Divorce Case Here

Circuit Judge Arthur D. Hay, who assumes a position on the supreme bench after the first of the year, was here from Lakeview Monday to preside in the divorce case of Montague versus Montague. This was a default case.

The circuit court case of Johnson versus Ewauna Box company has been postponed from December 28 and will be set at the time of the next docket call.

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Perplexed British Tommy finds overabundance of signs no help in determining which direction he should head to catch up with Nazis as they fled from their Egyptian desert strongholds.

Klamath Hunter Parallels Lincoln Anecdote; Rescues Dog Stranded in Icy Lake

By IDA MOMYER ODELL
(Humane Society Writer)

One day Abraham Lincoln and another lawyer were going to town to try a lawsuit. As they passed a pig sty, the frantic squealing of a young shoat with his head caught in the fence attracted their attention. Although the other lawyer urged him to hurry as their lawsuit never be able to try his case with that pig squealing in his ears. He went to the sty, liberated the pig, got back on his horse, went to town and won his case.

This Lincoln anecdote was told by one of the three hunters which this story is about, and you are to draw your own parallel.

It was a happy moment for Spec when his master invited him to take a ride last week; out into the woods which Spec loved so well; out where a dog finds such delightful scents, such interesting little holes and hollows; such nice rotten logs to investigate; out where wild little wood's animals leave such intriguing trails to follow.

Nowhere in Sight
So Spec sat very importantly beside his master until the car stopped and they went into the woods to see what they could see. Naturally, they had different viewpoints to see things from, the man usually looking up and around and the dog down and along, so they became interested in their own ideas and Spec, busily following his own designs, presently lost his master. So many trails to follow, so many little things to do. One of these trails ran down along the edge of the Geary slough, out and out, even to the edge of the lake, then on, over the frozen surface of the water—frozen hard enough to hold an investigating dog's weight.

When his master missed Spec, he returned to the car expecting to find the dog there, but the overgrown pup was nowhere in sight, nor did he respond to whistles and calls. Finally it became necessary to abandon the search and return to town. But Spec was a much loved dog and the next day and the next his master drove back over the road, calling and looking for his young dog, but no Spec ever answered the many calls sent out for him.

Not a Pelican

Here the story might well have ended—BUT—

Friday looked like a good day for geese, so three Klamath Falls hunters took their shotguns and drove to the west side of Upper Klamath lake, hoping for a fat honker apiece. One of them called the attention of the others to something apparently on the ice edge of a small open pond about 30 feet from the lakeshore and remarked that it looked like a pelican.

But it was no pelican which had accidentally attracted the attention of these three hunters—

it was the head of poor Spec, clinging desperately to the ice in his last effort to maintain the little spark of life left within him. Unable to even keep his front paws up on the ice any longer, only the stiff, cold head, with dimming eyes, could now be held above the water.

Rescue Started

It did not take the hunters long to determine that this unusual appearance out on the lake was not a pelican but was the head of a dog. Neither did it take them long to decide that hunting would hold no pleasure for them with that pitiful picture of the perishing dog intruding into their thoughts throughout the day.

Among them they had about 100 feet of strong cord. One of the men volunteered to make a lariat of this and attempt the rescue of the dog. The other two promised to do his hunting for him while he performed this mercurial deed.

Walking back, he crossed over to the peninsula and came toward the dog from the other side. Spec saw him and began to cry like a baby. Fearing he would be overlooked he put all his fast-diminishing strength into frantic appeals in his dog language for help-help-help.

He Ate Popcorn

After several failures, the hunter was able to cast his improvised lariat over Spec's head and pull him over to the shore. Then a fire of twigs and branches was built and the dog dried and warmed as much as possible. When Spec was able to travel, he and the hunter walked back to the road, came up a little point on the peninsula and found the car. Not expecting to be gone long enough to take food, there was nothing in the car to feed the half-starved dog. Well, yes, there WERE popcorn balls.

Whether dog etiquette dictated that a dog should eat what the host who had just saved his life provided, or whether hunger made popcorn balls taste good—anyway, whatever it was, Spec ate two to the last crumb. To keep the dog's blood circulating, the hunter walked with him in the direction the other men had gone and when the two parties joined forces, they put the dog in the car, turned on the heater, and brought him to town. At one of the homes, milk was warmed and fed to Spec in small portions. He was given some liver, wrapped in a warm blanket, and while he rested, steps were taken to find his owner.

The dog had been advertised over the air by the Humane society and a kindly neighbor remembered the description and the name of his owner, so a telephone call soon reunited the dog and his master.

Spec is a spaniel. Under his long coat of hair he has a deep fur which many dogs are not provided with. This undoubtedly kept him from freezing in the many hours he was im-

mersed in the icy waters of the lake.

Here's to You

If Spec could talk to us he would no doubt, among other things, tell us that the ice on the Upper Klamath is always treacherous, that warm springs in that lake deceive the most experienced of skaters, and that one of the safest things to do is to STAY OFF THE ICE.

Here's to you, Spec. May you have a happy Christmas. May no bad dreams of icy waters washing over you make you start and tremble in your sleep.

Here's to you, kind hunter, who took Spec home and fed him warm milk and liver, and wrapped him in warm blankets. May Christmas cheer bring you added joy with your children, knowing that one family has been made happy through your kindly act.

Here's to you, Mrs. Leigh Ackerman, who remembered the name of Spec's master and brought dog and man together. May your own fine dog continue to add to your Christmas cheer for many years.

And, here's to you Gib Blackburn, who said you would never again enjoy hunting if you went on and left that dog to freeze.

Patient Escapes Veterans' Hospital In Roseburg, Ore.

PORTLAND, Dec. 22 (P)—George M. Malvin, manager of the veterans' hospital at Roseburg, said yesterday that one of the patients had escaped.

He told Mason Dillard, assistant U. S. district attorney, that Carroll H. Ross, who had filed a petition in federal district court for his release from the hospital, climbed to freedom through a washroom window, October 28.

Malvin had been scheduled to bring Ross to a court hearing on Ross' petition, which claimed Ross, a veteran from California, had been confined in the hospital through fraud.

Premier of Jap- Held Manchukuo Goes Berserk, Report

CHUNGKING, Dec. 22 (P)—Gen. Chang Ching-Hui, premier of Manchukuo, was reported today to have poisoned all members of his family, shot and killed a Japanese adviser and five high-ranking officials of his puppet government and then committed suicide.

The premier was "unable to stand any longer the Japanese oppression," the high command said, attributing his information to a Chinese intelligence report.

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OPS CHIEF WAS 'CRUCIFIED' SAYS SENATOR

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22 (P)—Asserting that administration leaders "crucified" Leon Henderson to appease congressional critics, Senator Brewster (R-Maine) predicted today they soon would be "praying for his return" as price administrator.

Henderson has submitted his resignation to President Roosevelt and is expected to be replaced by Senator Brown (D-Mich.) early in the new year.

As Brewster spoke, Rep. Andresen (R-Minn.) issued a statement assailing what he called "discrimination and bungling in government handling of gasoline and oil."

"One set of unfair and stringent rules in the rationing of gasoline," Andresen said, "is causing a complete breakdown in agricultural food production and essential transportation."

"Another set of rules permits unlimited use of gasoline for the bureaucratic rule-makers, and for thousands of government-owned cars, engaged in non-essential work."

Plane Ride Scored

Andresen declared he had received no reply to a letter which he wrote Henderson on November 22 inquiring about the source of gasoline which he said was used to fly Mr. and Mrs. Henderson to their New Jersey home in a private airplane on election day.

(At a press conference Saturday, Henderson was asked about reports he had wasted gasoline to fly to his Millville, N. J., home election day. He said he accompanied a pilot who had to make the trip anyway. It was at this point that he almost lost an affable, good-natured attitude he had shown during a nearly two-hour long discussion with reporters. He told them:

"Administration ineptitude. After all, I'm a human being, too. I haven't used my resentment yet.")

While Henderson attributed his resignation to poor health, Senator Brewster laid it to "administration ineptitude in high places," which he charged was "the greatest bottleneck in Washington today."

KLAMATH TRADE DOWN 12 PER CENT

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 22 (P)—Oregon independent retailers did 24 per cent more business in November than a year ago, the census bureau reported Monday.

Sales tapered off 12 per cent from October.

The bureau checked reports from 597 stores. Their sales ran 10 per cent higher for the first 11 months of this year than last.

Department stores topped last year's November sales by 59 per cent, apparel stores 53 per cent, food 30, furniture 38 and building materials, including lumber, 6 per cent. General store sales ran 32 per cent higher than a year ago. Motor vehicles dealers lost three-fourths of their business.

Trade upturns by communities: Portland up 38 per cent, Salem up 18, small communities with less than 2500 population, up 21 per cent. Astoria had a loss of 1 per cent, Eugene 3 and Klamath Falls 12.

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THE BATTLE FOR RUSSIA hinges on who controls these key points and the railroads linking them. Nazis have held on to a solid line of swastikas from the Baltic to the Black Sea for more than a year, but established only a few strongholds east of these points in the 1942 campaign. Now major Russian attacks in the Rizev, Voronezh, Stalingrad and Caucasus areas threaten to push Germans back to their 1941 line or even farther.

Focke-Wulf Is Out--RAF Tests One Taken Intact

LONDON, Dec. 22 (By Cable) The Focke-Wulf 190 is out of the race. Admittedly it is a fine fighter plane. But the RAF is now in possession of all its secrets and they know that it is not so good as the new Spitfire.

They know all about the plane because they have captured one intact and have been putting it through its paces.

Until this was done, the FW-190 was regarded as being exceptionally fast at high altitudes. It has now been found that its speed decreases considerably when it flies above 20,000 feet. Its more effective height is around 18,000 feet.

In contrast, the new Spitfire, with its Rolls-Merlin 61 motor, gives high performance up to nearly 40,000 feet—and, with height an ever increasing tactical asset in aerial warfare, this fact is regarded as of paramount importance.

From the point of view of the

Flying Fortress the loss of effectiveness by the FW190 at high altitude is of the utmost significance.

TIRE INSPECTION MEETING TONIGHT

Tire rationing experts of the state office of price administration will hold a meeting in Klamath Falls, this evening, December 22, at 7:30, at the circuit court room, to explain OPA tire inspection and mileage rationing.

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regulations to tire dealers, inspectors and fleet operators in Klamath Falls and nearby areas. R. B. Reynolds, OPA state tire rationing representative, will be in charge of the meeting called by Don Drury, chairman of local rationing board.

Mileage rationing regulations will be explained by Frank Senn, OPA district mileage rationing representative, and James Hedric, OPA state tire examiner, will tell how to make proper tire inspections before certifying new tires or recaps for a car. An explanation of OPA forms will be made before the meeting is thrown open for questions.

REGISTRATION OF YOUTHS CONTINUES

Registration of 18-year-old men will continue at the selective service headquarters in the courthouse basement, it was announced by Ted Case, selective service clerk.

Any man whose 18th birthday occurs this year between July 1 and January 1, and who has not registered, should do so at the courthouse headquarters, Case said.

Registration will continue until December 31.

Case said that registration at the high schools has been concluded in view of vacations.



Paul O. Landry

this question:

"I work in a defense plant and several men who live in my neighborhood ride to and from work in my car, paying part of my gasoline expense for their transportation. Is it true that the new automobile liability policy will protect me even while I am carrying passengers for a charge?"

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