

NEWS FROM LOCAL RATIONING BOARD

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The rationing and price control program must be followed if we intend to see this fight for stabilized living costs through to a finish.

All of this was confirmed recently in the President's message to Congress on the food program. If you had a chance to read this I'm sure you noticed his answer to the people who say that a few price increases of a cent or two here and there can't do any real harm. He pointed out that a little inflation is like a little opium, one dose leads to another, until it gets to be a habit.

The discussions on the subsidy problem will probably reach their height during the next few weeks. I certainly don't like subsidies. Everybody knows they can be dangerous unless they're used carefully and intelligently. But we haven't been able to find any other way to increase or even maintain production of certain essential foods like meat, milk and fresh vegetables without increasing the prices that American families have to pay for them.

Increased prices mean increased wages, which in turn, can lead only to even higher prices.

And in so many other cases in wartime, we have to choose between two evils, here. It's either a subsidy or the threat of the most dangerous way out, and I'm sure Congress will give this problem very serious consideration.

Two very important steps were taken last week by Judge Vinson, the Economics Stabilization Director. He denied an increase in the price of crude oil that would have cost the American people five hundred million dollars a year. In order to fulfill our responsibility under the President's "hold the line" order, we had to refuse this increase when it was first proposed by the Petroleum Administrator for war last spring. The issue then went to Judge Vinson for a final decision.

At our recommendation, Judge Vinson also put a lid on the prices of five steers. That's going to take

Victor Aids Vanquished After a Battle



Master Sgt. Victor Abbot shares his canteen of water with a wounded Italian officer as the latter waits to be transferred to a medical center. After Italy's declaration of war against Germany, the Italian army was expected to renege its former Axis partner, but the disgruntled state of Italian troops was believed to have rendered them unable to effect much change in the European theater.

the pressure off a great many meat packers who have been squeezed more and more as livestock prices have come closer and closer to the ceiling prices at which they can sell dressed meat. At the same time it will remove the pressure for higher prices on beef in the butcher shop.

No More Books One and Two
All local War Price and Rationing Boards have been notified by the Office of Price Administration that no more copies of War Ration Books one or two are to be issued by the boards for any purpose whatsoever. Book one still contains the No. 18 shoe stamps, good indefinitely. In book two, blue stamps X, Y and Z will be valid until November 20 for canned foods. Local boards are no longer authorized to replace either of these books if lost, stolen or destroyed.

Meanwhile book three and four are now in full-scale use. Brown stamps G, H, and J are now valid for meats and fats and additional stamps will be validated from week to week. Green stamps A, B, and C in book 4 are valid until December 20 for canned goods.

Holdings need not continue to keep war books one and two in their possession. These covers will not be used again for rationing purposes and when the stamps in them expire, they will cease to have any rationing value for the owners.

Ammunition
The maximum prices of retailers and others, inclusive of Federal Excise Tax, for a sale by any person to an ultimate consumer of any item listed below shall be the price listed for that item:

- Shotgun shells: 12 gauge, \$1.38 a box, 7 cents for single shell; 16 gauge, \$1.32 per box, 7 cents each; 20 gauge, \$1.32 per box, 7 cents each.
- Cartridges: 22 long rifle, 34 cents per box, 1 cent each; 22 short 21 cents per box, 1 cent each.

Pork
Home producers may consume what they produce and may lend limited amounts. Farmers may not

Fertilizer Grain Crop At Planting

Tests by the N. C. Agricultural Experiment Station show that small grains should be fertilized at the time of planting to obtain larger yields and extra profits, reports Dr. E. R. Collins, in charge of Extension agronomy at State College.

Growers should use 300 pounds of 3-9-6 or 4-10-5 per acre in the coastal plain and the same amount of 3-12-6 or 4-12-4 in the piedmont and mountains. On fertile soils, where less nitrogen is required, he suggests 300 pounds of an 6-14-7.

Where small grains are to furnish fall grazing, the agronomist recommends the use of a complete fertilizer carrying about 5 or 6 per cent nitrogen for a quick growth.

Small grains should receive a top dressing during late February or early March. Application of 100 to 200 pounds of nitrate of soda per acre or its equivalent in sulphate of ammonia or ammonium nitrate give good results.

On potash deficient soils, he recommends the use of 150 pounds of 10-0-10 per acre or in addition of 50 pounds of muriate of potash per acre to the nitrogen which is used.

Other important factors beside fertilization in successfully growing small grains, are thorough preparation of the soil before planting, the use of treated seed of the proper varieties, and sowing the crop early enough to make good growth before the winter freezes strike.

"It costs no more to combine a large crop than a small crop," was the comment of Collins on increased yields.

team will again participate in the state race as it did year before last when it went to the semi-finals before being defeated by Haynes High of Winston-Salem. The team will again be coached by Mr. Wey and he will be assisted by Coach Tommy Thompson.

Appalachian High School News Items

The Appalachian High School students and teachers will take part in a big bond and stamp rally to be held in the high school auditorium on Friday morning at 9:30. Every student and teacher is expected to take part in this bond and stamp rally and each student and teacher is asked to buy at least a ten cent war stamp. The goal set for this bond and stamp rally is \$600. The band will be present to play and the glee club will also present several patriotic numbers. The parents of the town are cordially invited to come out and participate in this bond rally.

Scrap Drive
The scrap drive at Appalachian High School will come to a close on Wednesday of this week. It will be climaxed by a free show for those students who have brought in fifty pounds of scrap metal. The name of the picture to be shown is "The Great Victor Herbert" which should be a good inducement for the students to bring in the scrap metal. No student will be allowed to pay to go to the show as the scrap metal is the only admittance. The scrap pile at the west end of the building has continued to grow until it has reached approximately 40 thousand pounds. School officials are making arrangements now to get the scrap hauled away so that the students will be able to get their money for it.

Magazine Sale
The magazine sale at Appalachian High School finished with a big success. The students sold \$346.50 of magazines, and from this the school will make approximately \$130. The prizes were won by James Watson, and Charles Boone who will both be awarded a \$29.95 Bulova watch. The third prize winner was Donald McCracken who was awarded five dollars in war stamps. Mr. Cratis D. Williams, senior boys' homeroom will be given a half holiday and free tickets to see "Bombardier" showing at the Appalachian Theatre this week. The homeroom led all the way through the drive. All students who sold at least one magazine subscription will be allowed to attend a school party which will be sponsored by the Speech and Dramatics Department and held in the high school auditorium this Friday night.

Basketball Season Starts
The Appalachian High School Blue Devils are starting their basketball season again. This year the boys have great prospects of having another championship team. The boys returning from last year's championship team are Finley Penick, Ted Hagaman, J. D. Miller, Fred Hodges, Kenneth Clay, and Roy Marsh. New boys who are expected to be strong candidates for the varsity are Phil Vance, Glenn Greer, David Edmisten, Blanton Miller, and Jimmie McConnell. Besides this list of boys, are several others who will be coming up from the seventh and eighth grades who will be pushing the old members of the team for a place on the squad. Every attempt is being made to plan a good schedule for the coming season and if possible the

make sales except for points.

For hams, 7 points per pound; for shoulder, 4 points per pound; for fat back, 1 point per pound; for streaked side meat, 3 points per pound.

Farmers of Watauga county, your price for well-trimmed green hams under 15 pounds, 23 cents per pound; 14-18 pounds, 22 cents per pound; 18-30 pounds, 21 cents a pound; over 30 pounds, 20 cents a pound; fat back, 12 cents a pound; streaked sidemeat 16 cents per pound.

Wholesalers or retailers who buy green hams must give up points to the farmers and collect points when they sell them. It is necessary that you keep records.

The local War Price and Rationing Board will advance points to merchants who have registered and kept records, so that they may hold green hams until they are cured.

Yes, you may swap hams for lard. Merchants give points for hams. You give points for lard. The difference in points turn in with your farmer's report to local Ration Office.



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RICE, pound	8c
CRANBERRIES, quart	25c
CELERY, large	15c
LETTUCE	11 and 15c
GREEN BEANS, lb.	15c
TOMATOES, lb.	15c
ORANGES, dozen	20c to 40c
COCONUTS, each	17 1-2c
GRAPES, Calif., lb.	15c
SWEET POTATOES, 4 lbs.	25c

Dixie Home Stores

Can You Picture NORTH CAROLINA without Police?



Today, we all owe a tremendous debt of gratitude to men and women in the uniforms of Uncle Sam's fighting forces. They're on duty today at the four corners of the earth and on all the seven seas—protecting our lives and our way of life.

And we mustn't overlook the splendid job that other men in the uniform of our police forces are doing. Their "zone of operation" may be North Carolina rather than North Africa, it may be the highway to the next town rather than the airways across the Pacific, but their job is fundamentally the same — protecting us and ours.

We North Carolinians can indeed be proud of our police organizations — city, county or state. Most of us have few occasions to call upon the service of our police forces — but that in itself is a tribute to their efficiency. They're on the job day and night, whether we need them or not.

Some of us in the Greyhound organization, because of the nature of our work, have more frequent occasion to cooperate with the police than do many of our fellow citizens of North Carolina. For instance, we are in a position to see clearly how much the police of this community, as well as those of neighboring communities, have contributed to the safety and convenience of bus transportation. The aid these men have given in arranging the most practical and satisfactory routes through towns and cities is typical of their skillful handling of all traffic problems.

Greyhound's most important job, as we see it, is to make near and good neighbors of all the communities that our buses serve in North Carolina — and we feel that the able cooperation of police forces throughout the State has made it possible for us to do this job with greater efficiency.

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