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## MORE COFFEE FOR THIS SUMMER

Washington. — An increase in summer coffee rations was foreshadowed this week when the Office of Price Administration disclosed that for the first time in a year the nation's coffee stocks have returned to normal.

The size of the new individual ration, effective July 1, will be determined on the basis of a study of prospects for continued large imports.

Warehouses now contain about 400,000,000 pounds of green coffee—three months' supply—and stocks are piling up steadily. A normal supply is about 50,000,000 pounds in excess of present stocks, but an OPA spokesman explained that controls over the

current supply stretch it further than uncontrolled reserves.

### SHOCKED BY LIGHTNING

Mrs. Lydia Martin was quite severely shocked by a stroke of lightning in the storm of Wednesday evening. She was in the yard at her residence at Lake Stedman when lightning struck probably in the ground near her. She has now fully recovered from the jolt.

Every day that the 12th Air Force fought in the last phase of the Tunisian campaign, Gen. Doolittle's air fighters needed as much aviation gasoline as would fill two railroad tank trains of 60 cars each.

## Joe Helsabeck Added To Ellington Field's Hall Of Fame

The names of 19 flyers, who trained at Ellington Field, Texas, and recently were decorated for exceptional service in combat action have been added to the ever-growing list in the Ellington Hall of Fame by Col. W. H. Reid, commanding this huge training center for pilots, bombardiers and navigators.

Heading the list is Capt. James W. Little, 21, of Fincastle, Ky., and Houston, Texas, pilot, who downed a Zero in a dog fight over New Guinea to become an ace.

"I saw him trailing a P-40 and let him have it. He rolled over once and went down smoking," Capt. Little was quoted as saying in a recent dispatch.

The Distinguished Flying Cross was awarded to Lt. John D. Bailey, 21 of Detroit, Mich., who received his silver pilot's wings at Ellington, while the Silver Star, for gallantry in action, went to Lt. John E. Hopkins, Jr., 22, San Antonio, Texas, a bombardier.

Receiving oak leaf clusters for their air medal were Capt. Chester J. Helsabeck, 21, of Walnut Cove, pilot.

Fifteen others received air medals.

## New Shoe Stamp Must Last Until Oct. 31

The OPA has announced that the new shoe ration stamp which became valid on Wednesday must last civilians through October 31.

The new stamp will have to last for four and one half months, which is 11 days longer than stamp 17. However, OPA said that the dates were in line with the policy of providing an average of three pairs per year.

As in the case of Stamp 17, stamp 18 will be transferable within a family so that, for instance, a parent who does not need his stamp may use it for a child.

The announcement disposed of unofficial reports that OPA would encourage the use of the No. 18 stamp for the purchase of white summer shoes. While OPA has no objection to anyone buying any kind of shoes he prefers, it made it plain it is not providing any extra stamps for such a purpose.

## WHY ADMIRAL YAMAMOTO HATED THE U. S.

Death of Admiral Yamamoto recalls how the Japanese naval leader boasted he would dictate the terms of peace in the White House. Why Yamamoto hated the United States is revealed in a feature article in the July 4th issue of The American Weekly, the big magazine distributed with the Baltimore Sunday American. Order from your local dealer.

If the 1942 rate of shoe buying in this country had been continued in 1943, sales would have exceeded shoe production by at least 100 million pairs.

War Bonds should mean something more to you than just "a good sound investment." Figure it out yourself.

## Farm News about the AAA and other EXTENSION WORK From the County Agent



Because of the labor shortage, Congress has set aside money for the adjustment of our labor problem. In Stokes county there are no workers that can be transported into our section to relieve this shortage. However, Mr. R. M. Green, principal of Walnut Cove High School, has been appointed the labor assistant for Stokes county. He will work in cooperation with all the agricultural agencies.

Mr. Green will immediately begin aiding farmers in the harvesting of their small grain crop. If you have a grain crop sowed and do not yet have any assurance of getting your grain harvested, you are urged to contact Mr. Green by letter or by visiting him at the County Agent's Office. He will immediately visit your farm and attempt to make arrangements to have your crop saved for you. If you are a combine or thresher operator, Mr. Green will help you in routing your course if you will give him the opportunity. In this way, we can hope to harvest every bit of the grain that has been sowed.

Due to the feed shortage, it is important that we harvest all of our grain. If, at any time, you have a labor or machine shortage in your neighborhood feel free to call on Mr. Green as he is here to serve the farm people.

Recent rains have assured us a large hay crop in Stokes county this year. Reliable county farmers say that last year we harvested the largest hay crop in the history of the county. When spring came this year practically all this crop had been consumed by our livestock, and we found ourselves going to neighboring counties and paying them extremely high prices for hay. This year we want to produce and harvest at least one-fourth more hay than we did last year. It will be needed to feed our increased number of livestock and enable us to be self-sufficient. It is still not too late to sow soybeans, cowpeas, and corn for hay, silage and grain.

In order that they might cope with the situation, the Vade Mecum Farm is constructing a tile silo; and Roger Calloway, of Tobaccoville, has cut timber for the erection of an octagon silo. However, if you are not in the position to build an upright silo you are advised to dig a trench silo. This is very effective and inexpensive way of saving feed for the small dairyman. A large number of the trench silos will be filled this fall. E. S. Stokes, acting county agent, is in his office each Monday and Saturday morning and will discuss with you the feed situation or any other questions you have in regard to your farming activities.

India supplied 2000 miles of bandages to troops in the African campaign.

## ALLIES DESTROY 937 PLANES IN TWO MONTHS

New York.—Major Gen. George E. Stratemeyer, chief of the air staff, army air forces, disclosed yesterday that since April 15 Allied aircraft in North Africa and the Middle East destroyed 655 enemy aircraft in air combat and 252 other on the ground with a loss of only 237 planes.

At a press conference following his return from an inspection tour of the European and African war theatres, General Stratemeyer also said that during the same period the Allies destroyed 118 Axis ships of all kinds in the Mediterranean.

"If there is one lesson we have learned from Africa, the Mediterranean and Europe," he said, "it is that our air power must not be used piecemeal and so dissipated. In the Tunisian battle the tactical air force was used as an integrated force to achieve air superiority by blasting the enemy air force out of the sky.

"It was not used piecemeal, one parcel as an umbrella to protect ground troop elsewhere, dividing itself into easily opposable segments and accomplishing nothing. It was a solid force, commanded by airmen."

Stating that the Allies had achieved a 3-to-1 air ratio in the Mediterranean against a "tough, battle-wise foe," General Stratemeyer declared:

"Our airplane production today far exceeds that of the Axis. Theirs is a rapidly wasting, ours a growing, air power. At the ratio of 3-to-1 under conditions which should have been favorable to them, their losses must take on, for the Axis, the aspect of calamity.

"Our army air forces have known a number of recent days of operations without enemy air opposition. The number of those days will increase as we get along with this war, if we keep on knocking down the enemy at the current rate. We have every confidence we will do so."

The amount of aviation gasoline needed to carry 300 Liberator bombers from a British base to Berlin and return is equivalent to the amount of general purpose gasoline distributed in the city of Baltimore in 24 hours.

## Attend Party In Rockingham County

A party consisting of the following people attended a Brunswick stew at the home of Sheriff and Mrs. Leon Worsham at Ruffin, Rockingham county, Saturday evening:

Sheriff John Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard van Noppen, Solicitor R. J. Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Ellington, Lacy Gibson, Mr. and Mrs. Houston Loftis, Mr. and Mrs. Travis Tuttle, Mrs. Elmer Petree, Sam Lewis, Bill McCannless, Mr. and Mrs. Roban Smith all from Danbury, Mrs. Hazel F. Bowles of Walnut Cove, and Calvin Mabe, Matt Simmons, Cleve Lawson, James Martin, of Lawsonville.

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## From where I sit...

by Joe Marsh

Really funny how some little every-day things can affect the course of history. For instance, did you know that one of the main reasons for the Pilgrims landing on Plymouth Rock was because the Mayflower was running out of beer?

Yes, you can read it in an original manuscript of 1622, an account of the settling of Plymouth—where it says: "... we could not now take time for further search or consideration;

our victuals being much spent, ... especially our beer ..."

Just goes to show how good beer has been a part of American life right from the beginning. Yes, and it's had a big part in making us a tolerant, moderate people, happy to live and let live. Because beer is a drink of moderation and good fellowship.

Joe Marsh

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