

# THINGS TO BUY

## Babson Discusses Household Prices

By ROGER W. BABSON

Babson Park, Mass., Aug. 7.—I still believe that those who have protected the carcasses or casings of their tires will be able to get needed retreading material along the lines of the experiments which were described in this column last March. As for gas, this is purely a matter of



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sinkings. There is plenty of gas but if the tankers and tank cars are not sufficient to haul gas to certain sections of the country then these sections must be severely rationed. Readers, however, must not let all this discussion regarding the rubber and gasoline blind them to what will happen to other commodities.

### HENDERSON HELPLESS?

Leon Henderson has got a desperate job, but he is doing the best he can. He is like a man trying to sail a boat against a head wind and a strong tide. By rowing harder he can make a little progress in keeping down prices; but he cannot change the fury and direction of the wind and tide. These are strongly in the direction of inflation. With a tremendous amount of new purchasing power released every day and a constant reduction in available goods, an explosion some day is inevitable.

Mr. Henderson has done his best to warn us. Readers ask me why he does not state definitely what additional products will be rationed and when. This he cannot do because it would immediately send everyone to the store to buy these things which he might mention. Every reader who has common sense should be able to anticipate what most of these products will be. Generally speaking, they are products containing metals, rubbers, or certain chemicals. I understand there are also other products on the list which come under different classifications.

### DIFFERENT WAYS TO RATION

The government is now debating as to whether a separate ration book shall be given for these different products or whether the "unit system" will be used as in the case of England and other countries. With the "unit system" we have one ration book and can use our judgment as to whether we want to buy a suit of clothes or a piece of furniture. When entering a store the goods are not marked in money prices but in coupon prices. It may take one coupon to buy a cap, ten coupons to buy a suit of clothes, or twenty coupons to buy a piece of furniture. In other words, we can have our choice of certain necessary standardized products, but we cannot buy them all.

In place of quotas for essential goods, the government may issue licenses, thereby cutting down the amount retailers may get to sell to their customers. Probably nothing radical will be done be-



THESE WOMEN! by Gregory d'Almeida

Why, David—are you trying to say you want me to be owner on your War Savings Bonds from now on?

fore Fall when we will all have a better idea as to the length of the War. If the Russians are successful, further rationing may be delayed until next Summer; but if the Germans should get into the Caucasian oil fields, radical rationing may be expected at any time.

### WHAT MAY BE RATIONED NEXT

Of course, many things such as automobiles, refrigerators, bicycles, radios, garden tools, etc., need not be rationed because few more, if any, can be manufactured. Most of those now on hand will be used by the armed forces. There are, however, many other products the supply of which has merely been cut down. Among these are pots, pans, and all kinds of kitchen utensils; chocolate, cocoa, coffee, tea, spices, and certain canned goods and other food products; office furniture, typewriters, paper, pencils, rubbers, and even fountain pens. Certainly, those who wish to buy any cutlery, or other hardware, or jewelry, leather luggage, and similar luxuries had better do so immediately. Some say that this will also apply to furniture except nursery equipment, but I am not so sure of this other than articles which contain metal and rubber.

Most household electrical appliances may soon be impossible to obtain under any conditions, while rugs, carpets, chinaware, and sport goods may be on the rationed list. I might also add that families requiring more bedding, shoes, corsets, razor blades, hose, umbrellas, musical instruments, linoleum, and photographic supplies should get them at once. They are liable to be treated the same as bicycles are now treated.

### PRICES WILL NOT BE LOWER

Finally, let me add that I am not basing these recommendations on any official information. Naturally, Mr. Henderson's office cannot make any forecast along specific lines. I have included some which will be rationed. I do, however, emphasize that we are in a real war and our internal troubles are just beginning. The sooner we realize what is ahead and prepare for it and quit squawking, the better off we all will be.

Buy now or as the ministers say at a wedding, "forever after

## COLLEGE GRADUATES, GEOLOGISTS, NURSE EDUCATORS, TECHICIANS SOUGHT FOR FEDERAL WAR WORK

For the third time this year the United States Civil Service Commission is holding an examination to recruit college seniors and graduates for Federal war work. This examination is for the benefit of college students who will complete their courses in the summer session. Applicants are particularly desired in the fields of public administration, business administration, library science, economics, statistics, and mathematics through calculus. Graduates and senior students who will finish their college course by September 30 may apply. Applications must be filed by August 27 with the Commission's Washington, D. C., office.

Nursing education consultants are needed to cooperate with national agencies on nursing education problems in administering funds appropriated for training nurses in national defense, and to give consultation service to schools of nursing. Positions are in the Public Health Service and pay from \$2,600 to \$4,600 a year. Registered nurses who have completed a course in a recognized college with a full program in advanced nursing education of at least a year, and also graduated from an accredited school of nursing with a daily average of 100 or more patients, may apply if they have had appropriate experience.

Additional medical technicians are being sought. Salaries range from \$1,440 a year for junior laboratory helper, to \$2,000 for senior medical technician. Under the new requirements, graduation from high school is no longer necessary. Completion of an approved course for clinical laboratory technicians may be substituted for 2 years of the required experience for all positions. A clinical laboratory internship of 12 months in a recognized hospital may be substituted for 12 months of the required experience.

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Geologists are desired for geologic mapping and studying of mineral deposits and ground waters. Positions pay \$2,000 a year. Applicants must show at least 30 semester hours' work in geology in a recognized college; graduates or senior students may apply. No experience is necessary.

There are no age limits for any of these positions. For Nursing Education Consultant, Medical Technician, and Geologist, there will be no written test; applicants will be rated on their experience and training. Applications must be filed with the Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C., and except for Junior Professional Assistant, will be accepted until the needs of the service have been met.

Full information as to the requirements, and application forms, may be obtained from W. Earl Murphy, Jr., Secretary of the Board of U. S. Civil Service Examiners at the post office in this city, or from the Secretary of the Board of U. S. Civil Service Examiners at first- and second-class post offices.

### Embarrassing Place Names

Towns listed in the United States Postal Guide: Mikado, in Michigan; Japan, in North Carolina; Axis, in Alabama.

### Thought For Today

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—On Pay Day, Buy Bonds—

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hold your peace." Certainly, prices of the above things should be no lower while the War lasts and probably their price ceilings will gradually be raised.

### BURT REUNION

On Sunday, August 2nd, the descendants of the late John Alexander Burt and Mary Boddie Perry Burt, of Franklin County, met in reunion at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Jones Cooke, near Franklinton, N. C. At 1:00 o'clock a most enjoyable barbecue dinner was served.

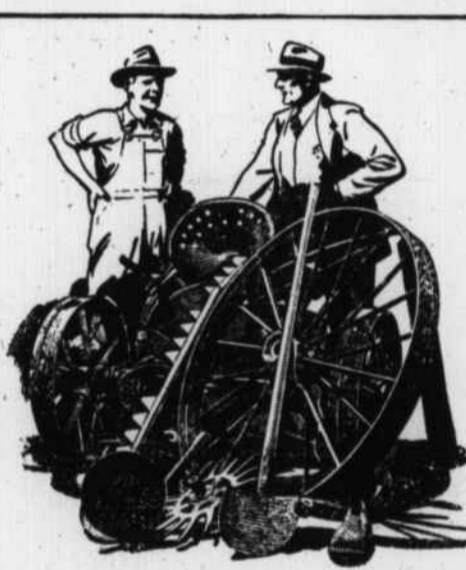
During the afternoon the entire crowd joined in writing a chain letter to First Lieut. James A. Mitchiner, who is now stationed at Fort Benning, Ga. He is a great grandson of the late John Alexander Burt, who fought four years in the Confederate Army.

Present were: Mr. and Mrs. Kemp P. Hill, Mrs. W. G. Allen & son, Bill, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Fowler, and Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Sorrell, of Raleigh; Dr. and Mrs. S. P. Burt, of Louisburg; Mrs. A. H. Veazy and son, Perry Burt Veazy, and Miss Lucy Perry Burt, of Raleigh; Mrs. John D. Alston, Mr. and Mrs. Alex B. Alston, Miss Helen Alston, Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Person, Misses Emily Burt, Mary Frances and Margaret Person, and Maurice Person, Jr., of Louisburg; and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Jones Cooke and daughter, Mary Harrison Cooke, of Franklinton. Guests present were: Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Wilder and daughter, Mildred Wilder, and Mrs. Viola Jones, of Franklinton, and Miss Elizabeth Stoker, of Raleigh.

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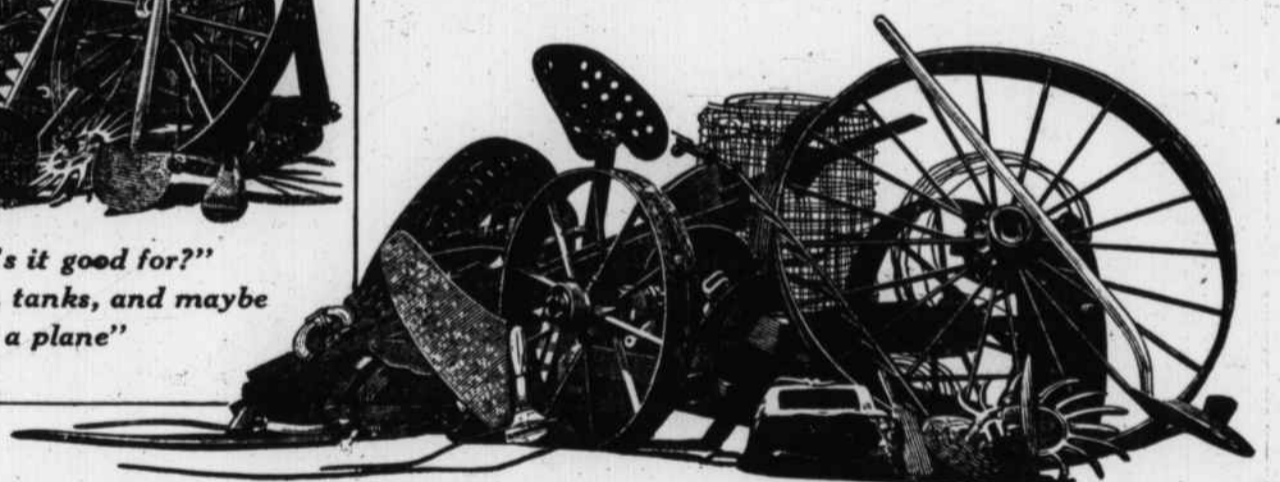


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# JUNK needed for War



In the barnyards and gullies of farms and in the basements and attics of homes is a lot of junk which is doing no good where it is, but which is needed at once to help smash the Japs and Nazis.

Scrap iron and steel, for example. Even in peacetime, scrap provided about 50% of the raw material for steel. It may be rusty, old "scrap" to you, but it is actually refined steel—with most impurities removed, and can be quickly melted with new metal in the form of pig iron to produce highest quality steel for our war machines. The production of steel has gone up, up, UP, until today America is turning out as much steel as all the rest of the world combined. But unless at least 6,000,000 additional tons of scrap steel is uncovered promptly, the full

rate of production cannot be attained or increased; the necessary tanks, guns and ships cannot be produced.

The rubber situation is also critical. In spite of the recent rubber drive, there is a continuing need for large quantities of scrap rubber. Also for other waste materials and metals like brass, copper, zinc, lead and tin.

The junk which you collect is bought by industry from scrap dealers at established, government-controlled prices.

Will you help? First—collect all of your waste material and pile it up.

Then—sell it to a junk dealer, give it to a charity, take it yourself to the nearest collection point, or get in touch with your Local Salvage Committee.

If you live on a farm, consult your County War Board or your farm implement dealer.

Throw YOUR scrap into the fight!

This message approved by Conservation Division

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## JUNK MAKES FIGHTING WEAPONS

One old disc will provide scrap steel needed for 210 semi-automatic light carbines.

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One old shovel will help make 4 hand grenades.

### MATERIALS NEEDED

Scrap iron and steel. Other metals of all kinds. Old rubber. Rags, Manila rope, burlap bags. Waste Cooking Fats—When you get a pound or more, strain into a large tin can and sell to your meat dealer. NEEDED ONLY IN CERTAIN LOCALITIES: Waste paper and tin cans—wanted only in certain areas, as announced locally. NOT NEEDED (at this time): Razor blades—guns.

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