

Joy-Ride Okay If You Can Do It

Washington.—Eastern motorists were rid of the pleasure-driving ban Monday, start of the new gasoline ration period, but their troubles are only beginning.

At 12:01 a. m., when the ban was rescinded, basic "A" gasoline rations were halved to limit non-occupational driving to 30 miles a month. In terms of gasoline consumption this means each "A" card holder will be limited to a gallon and a half a week over a four-month period, instead of three gallons a week over a two-month period.

The "A" card holders have one way out but it is not too flexible. If they have been driving to work they will be eligible for supplementary rations but first they must prove they have formed car-sharing clubs or convince their local rationing boards they are unable to do so. Failing in this, they'll face a gasoline famine.

The reduced gallonage may be used at the motorist's discretion for family or personal necessity such as shopping, trips to the doctor or dentists or even pleasure driving—at his own risk.

OPA has instructed ration boards to "get tough" on ride-sharing requirements. Reasons of "inconvenience" no longer will be accepted. Applicants for supplemental rations will be required to carry three or more persons, in addition to the driver; to work regularly or explain to their ration boards why they can't.

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Glady Fork News Items Of Interest

Mr. and Mrs. Clint Johnson and children of Whitnel, spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Laws.

Friends of Miss Fannie Walsh are glad that she is on the road to recovery, after being on the sick list.

Miss Jessie Marley of Champion spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Marley.

Mrs. J. N. West, who holds a position at Lenoir, spent the week-end with her family.

Mr. Walter West is confined to his home by illness.

Pfc. Lester M. Marley is now serving with the U. S. Army in the Middle East. In a recent letter he said tell everybody "hello" back home, and he was getting along fine.

Misses Jessie Marley, Jane Marley, Estelle West and Ina Sue Laws visited friends and relatives at Adkins Shop Sunday.

Mr. Richard Laws received a very painful head injury while cutting timber Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Laws were in North Wilkesboro shopping Saturday.

Miss Iva Sue Laws spent the week-end with Miss Edith Triplette.

AMONG THE COLORED FOLKS

Church — Society — Personals

Some members of the Ladies' Home Mission Circle met with Mrs. Mat Mitchell Thursday afternoon, and a very interesting prayer service was held. Mrs. Mitchell has been ill since June.

The Knitting circle will meet Friday afternoon at the First Baptist church. Please come.

The War Mothers Prayer meeting was held with Mrs. Inez Barber Friday evening at 8 o'clock, led by Mrs. Omie Calloway.

The Young Men's Social club had a very interesting program at Ricketts chapel Sunday afternoon. Rev. W. Turner delivered the sermon. The service was well attended.

Pvt. Elwood Gilreath, who has been home on leave, returned to camp Saturday afternoon.

Pvt. James Ace Thomas, Jr., visited in Winston-Salem and North Wilkesboro over the week-end. Returning to Fort Bragg Sunday night. Pvt. Thomas, who was stationed at Camp Wheeler, Ga., until recently, is now at Fort Bragg.

Mrs. Louise Grier reports her brother arrived in North Africa recently.

On Sunday afternoon Mrs. Bessie Turner entertained twelve boys and girls at a dinner party honoring her son, Bell, who left to enter the army Monday.

CHURCH NEWS
Sunday school at First Baptist church 9:30 Sunday morning. Please come.

The morning and evening service was rendered by Rev. J. T. Dalton of Winston Salem.

Rev. J. J. Alexander, pastor of Liberty Hill Baptist church, Claremont and Mt. Olive church, Newton, with the officials of both churches will worship with the Morning Star Baptist church in Hickory at 3 p. m. Sunday, the 28th. The church is having men's day. Rev. C. R. Harper is pastor. Sermon by Rev. J. J. Alexander of North Wilkesboro.

JAPS WILL SWIM RACK TO TOKYO

Two weeks after the battle of the Bismark Sea, in which 15,000 Japanese soldiers perished, the Japanese Government has announced that all soldiers would be taught to swim.

Adolph, Benito and Hirohito—the three blind mice—Make them run with ten percent of your income in War Bonds every pay day.

Navy Unit to Be In Winston On March 25 to 27th

A Navy Procurement unit will visit Winston-Salem March 25, 26 and 27 to interview men between 19 and 50 who have a college education or special technical experience to determine their eligibility as officer candidates. Mebane Turner, chairman of the Winston-Salem Procurement Committee, announced yesterday.

The unit will consist of Lieutenant Commander R. A. Sterzik, Lieutenant (jg) J. W. Jaeger, Medical Officer, and Ensign T. G. Hills, Jr. They will be at the Navy Recruiting Station in the post-office building.

The same procurement unit will visit Asheville March 22 and 23 and Charlotte March 29 and 30.

The following special programs were listed for which applicants are urgently needed: Pre-flight academic physical instructors, anti-submarine warfare and attack unit instructors, warrant gunners, oil terminal supervisors, Commissary stores officers, Chaplains, officers to have charge of scrap metal programs, production expeditors and analyzers, supervisors of college training program, and general duty.

V-mail letters go through because V-mail letters are never lost.

OPA Eases Shoe Ration 'Safety' Type Footwear

Washington, March 18.—The OPA today modified the shoe ration order to provide additional rations for "safety shoes" and to permit sale of more types of sandals and play shoes ration-free.

Three modifications were authorized:

1. An additional ration for "safety" shoes, used for health protection in special work, may be acquired from his local board by any person who has spent his ration stamp 17, even though a member of his family has an unspent stamp.

2. Sandals which can be sold ration-free are re-defined to include all sandals with an open back and a heel height of 1 1/8 inches or less, regardless of the materials used in the upper. Previously sandals could be sold ration-free only if their uppers were made entirely of fabric, imitation leather, sheepskins, cape or a combination of these materials.

3. Certain shoes with soles made principally of rope, wood, or other non-strategic materials may be sold ration-free, regardless of the material used in the upper, even if rubber or leather is used in the sole for features such as tabs or heel inserts which cover no more than one-fourth of the bottom of the sole.

GREER GARSON, WALTER PIDGEON IN VIVID DRAMA

Inspired by the life of Edna Gladney, a woman who has placed more than 3,000 babies in happy homes, "Blossoms in the Dust," coming to the Liberty Theatre Tuesday only, co-stars Greer Garson and Walter Pidgeon.

Besides departing from the usual Hollywood formula for drama, the film, photographed in Technicolor, shies away from the ordinary brilliant tones formerly used and for the first time uses color as a means of furthering the plot rather than catching the eye. Only delicate, pastel tones are used, but they serve to accentuate the brilliant titian coloring of Miss Garson.

Miss Garson and Pidgeon have an opportunity as Edna and Sam Gladney to depict one of the screen's tenderest romances, and their work in establishing a home for unwanted youngsters brings the problems and struggles of the pioneer workers in the field of child welfare to the screen for the first time. Today Mrs. Gladney is superintendent of the Texas Children's Home and Aid Society at Fort Worth.

Featured in the supporting cast are Marsha Hunt, Felix Bressart, Fay Holden, Samuel S. Hinds, Kathleen Howard, George Leacey, William Henry and more than 800 children, ranging from a seven-

teen-day-old infant to youngsters of seven and eight. Mervyn LeRoy directed, with Irving Asher as producer.

The story traces the life of a beautiful and vibrant girl from the time of her meeting with an impetuous Texan to their marriage. Mellowed by a life which sees her through the loss of both her husband and child, she devotes

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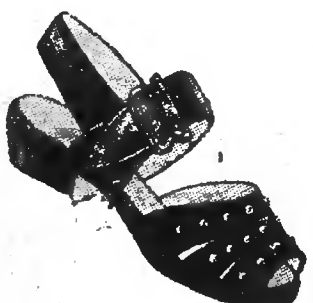
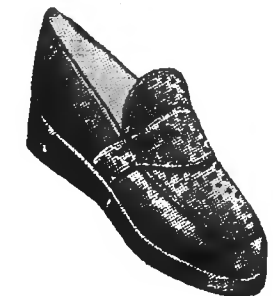
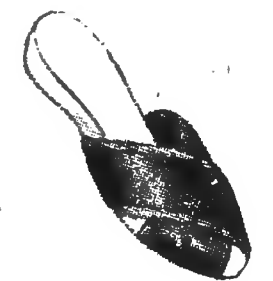
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From where I sit...

by Joe Marsin

Big families? I think of Dad and Ma Hoakins and their thirteen children! Thirteen's a lot of youngsters to control. But Dad found a way to keep 'em out of mischief by "self-regulation."

"You kids can check up on yourselves," he says. "When somebody gets out of order, you call a meeting and dish out the punishment."

You know, the idea worked. And I mention it because it reminds me of what the beer industry is doing.

They've united with the beer distributors in a self-regulation program—to help the authorities "clean up or close up" offending taverns that bring discredit to a decent industry.

From where I sit, that's a fine thing for the brewers to do—to see that beer is sold in clean, decent, friendly places.

Joe Marsin