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**Sugar Increase Must Wait Until Cuba Crop Comes In April, 1946**

Sugar will remain short at least until April, when the new crop of raw cane sugar will be coming in from Cuba, authorities in the sugar trade reported yesterday. No end of sugar rationing was foreseen before the end of 1946 although an increase in rations is likely by mid-year.

There is a shortage of sugar at this time for a variety of reasons, some of which may be traced back three years, according to Lamborn & Co., 99 Wall Street, one of the country's largest sugar brokerage houses.

One was the failure of the United States to encourage sugar production. In 1943, for example, this country was willing to buy only 3,000,000 tons from Cuba when she was prepared to furnish 500,000,000 tons. Consequently Cuba produced 3,225,000 tons and the United States had to cut into its reserve.

Sugar beet production dropped because larger payments were offered for competing crops. In 1944 more than 900,000 tons of sugar were diverted to alcohol production in the synthetic rubber industry, and a drought in Cuba last fall cut sugar cane growth, resulting in a shortage of 700,000 tons in the 1945 crop.

The sugar beet crop also suffered in 1943 and 1944 because of a paucity of labor which brought a combined crop in yield for the two years of a million tons.

Shipments to liberated European countries this year have been estimated at 1,500,000 tons, and 1,200,000 tons is the amount estimated for military needs this year. This leaves 5,000,000 tons for civilians, as compared with a normal peace-time consumption of 7,500,000 tons in this country.

The shortage is most critical in the eastern United States since this section is dependent almost exclusively on cane sugar from Cuba. Beet sugar has been shipped as far east as Ohio and Indiana to ease the shortage in the Midwest but the expense of shipping prohibits sending it any further East. The best sugar yield has been better by 200,000 tons this year, Department of Agriculture figures show.

Imports of raw cane sugar are expected to be in excess of 4,720,000 next year as compared to an anticipated total of 3,950,000 tons this year.

While cane sugar production is increasing in Cuba and Puerto Rico, main sources of this country European demands will continue to cut into this country's supply, according to Willett & Gray, sugar statisticians, of 140 Front Street, since European sources in the Ukraine and Java are still in poor shape because of the war. Another important United States source, the Philippines, is out of production.

**Pfc. Robt. W. Burgess Discharged After 26 Months Overseas**

Private First Class Robert W. Burgess, who entered the service in November, 1942, has been discharged from the army. He was inducted at Camp Croft and from there was sent to Camp Wheeler, Ga., for his basic training.

He was sent to the European theater as a replacement and assigned to duty with the 45th Division of the 179th Infantry. He served 26 months overseas.

Pfc. Burgess is entitled to wear the European Theater ribbon with four battle stars, Good Conduct medal and Victory medal. He was on duty in Africa, Italy, France and Germany.

At the time he entered the service he was engaged in farming in this county.

**Sgt. George Young Re-enlists in Army**

Sgt. George R. Young, of Canton, has re-enlisted in the army and is scheduled to report to Fort Bragg at the expiration of his furlough.

He has completed 38 months of service in the European theater of operations and is visiting relatives in Canton and in Brevard.

Sgt. Young, who served in the army air corps, is entitled to wear the air medal and oak leaf cluster, the good conduct medal, the Victory Medal and the European theater ribbon.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Jolly are leaving this week for Alexandria, Va., where they will spend Christmas with the latter's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Harvelle. Mr. Jolly will return soon after Christmas, but Mrs. Jolly will remain for a more extended visit.

**Sgt. John Cuddeback Discharged From Army After 23 Months in ETO**

Sgt. John Cuddeback, who entered the service on October 16, 1942, as a volunteer, has been discharged from the service.

Sgt. Cuddeback was inducted at Fort Bragg and from there was sent to the Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Md., and prior to being sent overseas where he served 23 months had training at Camp Claiborne, La., was on maneuvers in Louisiana, and Camp Barkeley.

He served in England, France, Belgium, Holland and Germany and was attached to the Ordnance group of the First Army.

Sgt. Cuddeback is entitled to wear the European theater ribbon with five battle stars, the American theater ribbon, Good Conduct and Victory medal.

At the time he entered the service he held a position with the A. C. Lawrence Leather company.

**East Waynesville Sunday School To Have Tree On 23rd**

The Sunday school of the East Waynesville church will hold their annual Christmas tree and Christmas program on Sunday morning, the 23rd, immediately following Sunday school. The annual event is usually held some evening prior to Christmas but due to the cold weather and sickness in the community the teachers have decided to hold it Sunday morning.

**Pfc. E. W. Bradburn Discharged from Service**

Private First Class Edward Winfred Bradburn, of Canton, has received his discharge from the U. S. Marine Corps, at Cherry Point. He is the son of Ernest Bradburn, of Canton.

Pfc. Bradburn was employed by the Champion Paper and Fibre Company at the time he entered the Marine Corps and plans to return to his former job in Canton.

**Harry Fish Recovering From Recent Operation**

The condition of Harry W. Fish, MoMM 1/c, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Fish of the Bethel section, is reported to be improving. Young Fish, who is serving in the Pacific theater, recently underwent an operation for appendicitis in a naval hospital in the Pacific theater.



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**The Law**

Section I. That it shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation sell, shoot, discharge, display, or otherwise use or have possession of any crackers, torpedoes, cap pistols, sky rockets, Roman candles or otherwise articles commonly known as fireworks in the County of Haywood . . . Provided, however that for the purpose of enforcing the provisions of this Act the sheriff of county and the chief of police in all municipalities within the county are hereby empowered and authorized to issue permits for use in connection with the conduct of public exhibitions, such as fairs, carnivals, shows of all descriptions public celebrations, but only after satisfactory evidence is produced to the effect that said pyrotechnics will be used for the aforementioned purpose and none of Any person desiring to secure a permit as aforementioned, shall make application to the sheriff of said county or to the chief of police of the municipality in which said pyrotechnics are to be used.

Section II. That any person violating the provisions of this Act shall be punishable by a fine not exceeding fifty (\$50.00) dollars or imprisonment not exceeding thirty days.

**The Law Will Be Enforced**