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GOVERNMENT PLACES CAN ON ALL PLEASURE DRIVING

Cars Not To Be Used to Visit Sport or Amusement Places Nor For Social Engagements

Washington, Jan. 6.-The Office of Price Administration today outlawed all pleasure driving by holders of 'A,' 'B,' 'C' gasoline ration cards on the Atlantic Seaboard and prescribed the cancellation of gasoline rations as the penalty for failure to comply.

The aid of all state, county and municipal law enforcement agencies in the 17 eastern states and District of Columbia is being asked to help the federal government in preventing pleasure driving, by reporting violations to local ration boards or local OPA offices.

"The presence of passenger cars at any gathering for purposes of sport or amusement will be taken as prima facie evidence that gasoline rations and tires are being dissipated needlessly and illegally," OPA said. "The ban on pleasure driving will also apply to driving to purely social engagements."

Simultaneously, OPA declared fuel oil heating rations of all buildings except those used for residential purposes in the east would be "cut substantically within the next 24 hours." No details were given.

The drastic prohibition on pleasure motoring was reinforced by an OPA warning that "even more serious measures" are being prepared to be ready for immediate use "if the current situation gets worse."

The action was taken at the instance of the Petroleum Administrator for War, OPA said, in a joint effort to plug every leak in the "dangerously scant supplies" of pe- precision inspection of certain matroleum products on the eastern Seaboard.

OPA said: "pleasure driving will be interperted broadly," details will Solomons Area issued not later than tomorrow.

When a police officer encounters a motorist whom he believes to be driving for pleasure, the burden of proof as to the essential nature of the trip will "rest wholly on the motorist," OPA said.

board that his use of gasoline was Navy Task Force Bom-

The board may permanently cut off the ration or reduce it to the extent it considers necessary.

Obviously evidence of the misuse of gasoline such as the presence of forces pounded the Japs by land, air, able, rationing will begin on a later if the case of a wide range of cona parked passenger car at a race and sea Tuesday as the long-dormant date, the first period may be an track or movie theatre-may re- Solomins campaign exploded with a "odd" one covering either the balsult in immediate seizure of the ra- fury which suggested a battle of ance of February or possibly tion book, OPA said. Books so im-pounded will be forwarded to the A task force, carrying out the month of March. Therefore, how-

weeks ago in the value of each cou-pon will have to get the approval of the nearest OPA office in addition to that of the local board. If the office decides that the ration is

NOTE OF THANKS

We wish to thank the citizens

IN JAPAN

London, Jan. 6 .- A British War Office statement said tonight that 10,000 prisoners of war — half of

It said a Red Cross repres in Tokyo had visited three prison camps and reported conditions "comparatively satisfactory," although tropical diseases

The prisoners, the state tinued, have been forced to adapt themselves to the Japanese diet, consisting largely of rice, although there are some bread, fish and vegetables. It said the prisoners get very little

"Medical treatment is handicapped by a lack of medicaments, which appears to be general throughout the Far East," it said.

"Considerable quantities of medicaments however, were sent to the Far East by Allied Red Cross sociaties on the last diplomatic exchange and some of these supplies have been distributed."

The report said Japan's prisoners work an eight-hour day in docks and factories. It added that about 1,500 Americans were interned in a camp at Woosung, near Shanghai.

COTTON

Cotton farmers will have 15 more days in which to apply for Federal crop insurance on their 1943 cotton crop than on their 1942 crop, the closing date in North Carolina being April. 1.

An instrument has been developed that enables blind persons to make chine products in war industries.

Fighting Flares

justified by his occupation or the bards Jap Air Base; A. That will depend very largely essential character of his errand. Widespread Attacks on the date when rationing begins. Widespread By Bombers

pounded will be forwarded to the ration board for appropriate action. In cases where there is reasonable doubt, police officials are instructed to report the case to the local board for a hearing, leaving the ration book in possession of the Solomons waters by the ration book in possession of the solomons waters by the ration book in possession waters are rationable waters. Therefore, however, rationing pariods likely will correspond to the calendar months.

outlined to procure the ratios originally."

"B" and "C" rations will be more difficult to get under the new regulations. New applications for them not only will have to get approval of the local board, but the board's one Jap heavy cruiser attacked with the subject to review by the subject to r

On the basis of available infor

Answers Point Rationing Program

to explain the principal points of leased today by the Office of Price

2. Q. Why is it necessary suspend retail selling at all?

A. There are several reasons. the first place, of course, all food stores throughout the country must be given an opportunity to prepare have time to build up supplies, to mon daily use, and have divided up train clerks, to receive and post the reduced supplies of other things official OPA list of point values and by rationing. But on the whole, the familiarize themselves with those values; also it will give the retailer time to take an inventory of his processed food. Secondly, the public must be registered for Book 2, be notified of the actual point values, and be given time to study and budget their points for the first ration

3. Q. How will the housewife know when point values are chang-

The newspapers and radio will carry the announcements, and every food store will have an OPA poster showing the current point values of each particular product. A new Book Two according to the new poster will be issued when point

4. Q. Will the point values be the same in all stores, or will they vary between high-price and low-price

A. The point values are the same in every store in the country, regardless of the price change. The housewife, in buying a No. 2 can of tomatoes, will have to surrender the stamps for the same number of points regardless of whether the price is 12 cents or 15 cents, or whether the can is of Grade A, B or Into Fury Again C, or any other grade designation such as "fancy," "choice," or "stand-

5. Q. How long will the first ra-

tion period last? 1, the first ration period very prob-Washington, Jan. 6. — American of February. If, as now seems probthe ration book in possession of the driver.

Price Administrator Leon Henderson said that an appreciable amount of gasoline could be saved by curstailing "A card pleasure driving, but he added: "The chief abuses, in so far as gallons used for pleasure, in so far as gallons used for pleasure, seem to stem from the "B" and "C" card holders, who either have exaggerated their needs or are not fulfilling the car-sharing plans they outlined to procure the rations original to procure the rations or grant to the procure and bombard to find the new Jap air base at Munda.

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tions chip at many exposed point of the Axis prison walls enclosing millions of the oppressed, the starting, and tortured peoples of the ponse to civilian defense and the nany other forms of community war

The test will come during 1943 as we learn the war's hardest lesson ing without. True, we have experienced some discomforts, we have begun to lack some things once in com goods and services we miss are only a small proportion of those we still

Food Rationing Plan. Now, beginning in February, great many staple foods and food products will be rationed, including anned fruits and vegetables, canned juices and soups, and dried and frozen fruits and vegetables. Vast quan tities of these processed foods, which are especially adapted to shipment abroad, must go to the armed forces and to our Len. Lease Allies. The balance available to civilians will be distributed by means of War Ration "point" system. Scarcer products will have a higher point value than the more abundant, and point values may change as the supply of certain products increases or lessens, but the total number of coupon points for each ration period will be the same for every civilian everywhere even for the soldier's wife who buys her food at army stations.

When point rationing starts, all household stocks of items coming under the ration plan must be reported. Hoarders will be penalized by having to deduct coupon points for excessive supplies they have managed to accumulate. But unless all citizens are equally patriotic, hoarders and food speculators may cause acute local shortages before the plan goes into effect.

will be evenly distributed by rationing, another method of assuring sumers goods chiefly items for per-sonal or household use. An order of War Production Board limits the inventories of these goods which can be piled up by large retailers, wholeof manufacturers, so that more than a million smaller stores will have a better chance to get things for their (Continued on page 4)

of the local board, but the board's decision will be subject to review by the nearest OPA office.

Moreover, present holders of "B" and "C" rations who seek to recover the 25 per cent cut, imposed two weeks ago in the value of each coupon will have to get the approval of the nearest OPA office in addition to that of the local hoard. If this office decides that the ration is

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A. No. Only dried and dehydrated fruits—apples, peaches, and the like. Dry vegetables like navy beans, split peas, and lentiles are not included.

9. Q. What about chicken soup, canned beef broth, turtle soup, and other soups made of meet or poultry stock containing few, if any, vegetables?

A. All canned soups are rationed, no matter what their content. But not dehydrated soups.

10. Q. But why ration all canned soups; why not only those made all or largely from vegetables?

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Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 7,-When Jo single item in fighting a m

Quartermaster Branch, headquarters Fourth Service Command today, as he moved gasoline to the No. 1 position among the supplies the Quarter-masters have to furnish the Army. "Time was," said Colonel Walsh.

It outranked food for the simple reason that a man can fight for hours on end without food, if he has the ammunition but he couldn't damage the enemy at all without shells and cartridges for his guns and would face annihilation—even if he had all

"In the old days an Army moved by horsepower. Horses and mules must have hay, oats or corn to survive, but those horses and mules could haul artillery, supply wagons and other vehicles for many hours without food if necessity demanded

it. They could, therefore, get 'the army in contact with the enemy or move artillery and other equipr to strategic points. But today, without gasoline, an Army can't move The foot soldiers, of course, could go ahead, but in this war the foot soldiers can't take a position alone They must have artillery prepara tion, tank attack and airplane bombing before they can go into the position and hold it. "Food delivered to the troops

the field is raw. It must be cooked and again gasoline enters the picture. British in Tunisia The field kitchens use gasoline fuel. Of course, they can burn wood if they have it. However, burning wood creates smoke and emoke can be seen by the enemy. A field kitchen means a concentration of troops A smoking kitchen would promptly bring a barrage from enemy field artillery or bombs from his high-

"So, it's gasoline all the way. The job the American Army has in getting gasoline to the fighting fronts tinue to be done until this war is tinue to bedone until this war is

On battle fronts every day men risk their lives to discover the loca tion and strength of the miltary units of the enemy. Yet at home, many of us are presenting the enemy with information of the same mili-tary value, the Office of Censorship says in a statement. This is the information which news

papers and individuals are asked not to tell the enemy: DO NOT TELL the names of ships upon which sailors serve.

DO NOT TELL the troop units in

which soldiers serve overseas. There is no objection to reveali or that Seaman Tom Brown saw ac-tion in the Atlantic, but there is military information which endan-gers the lives of American fighting men in stating that Pvt. John Jones, "Company C, 600th Infantry," is in Australia, or Seaman Tom mrown, "Aboard the U. S. S. Wisconsin," is

"We ask editors not to publish these troop identifications, and we ask pa-rents and relatives not to reveal them. Don't give the enemy anything that may lengthen the war!"

Cobb, Dr. J. H. Harper, A. B. Alde

WAR IN BRIEF

nake new gains, capturing eight viliges in the Middle Don ares and 13 villages and two railway stations in the North Caucasus. Indications of general retreat from the Caucasus

Activities in Solomans area flare aly as Navy task force bom bards Japanese air base at Munda on New Britain Island and American bombers and fighters raid Japanese pare to attack Senananda Point, last Japanese stronghold in Papus.

British First Army captures series

of heights from Germans in Mateur area of Tunisia in first ground fighting of consequence in several weeks.
American bombers continue raids on Axis targets.

Senate farm bloc plans to seek lease from Army of youths needed badly on nation's farms. French West African Chief Bois

son renews pledge to aid to Allies Osetia lying between Ordzhonikidze and endorses unity of all French and Nalchik, had been won back

REVISION

Recent war developments brought an upward revision in estiend food and textile require

The annual bag of 15 million wild ducks and geese, when used as food, as a value of more than \$5 million

Women workers form 16 per of all workers employed on British

Win Sharp Tilt

Drive E n e m y From High Ground Near Mateur: Americans Are pursued the Germans norths

Army troops captured Jebel Azzag and nearby points in an attack launched yesterday to drive the Axis from high ground dominating Allied positions along a road about 15 miles west of Mateur, the Allied comm

announced tonight,

It was the first real fighting in two weks in North Tunisia. "Successful attacks were made on hills north of the mad and we captured Jebel Azzag and other points in the vicinity," the Allied command

ommunique announced. "Our forces are mopping up iso-lated machinegun posts and have

repulsed a counterattack against one of our newly-won positions." In the air, a headquarters spokes-man said, Fortress bombers scored hits or near misses on a cruiser leaving the Tunisian harbor of Sfax and left the Sfax power station in

(The British and Americans were pounding the Axis with relentless energy from both ends of the Med-

had destroyed a large enemy troop transport and supply ship; hit and probably sunk two other vessels in he Mediterranean and bombard

nounced in Caifo that their bombers blasted the Tunisian port of Sousse yesterday. The Americans

Six Cities Fall Before Onrushing Soviets: Germans Described as In Full Retreat; Final Drive To Annihilate Nazi Divisions Entrapped at Stalingrad Be

Moscow, Jan. 6. - The German army was reported in full retreat in perate effort to check the surging hard at its heels.

Red Star, ordan of the Soviet army, said Russian forces, which already had stormed and won the important towns of Mozdok, Nalchik, Prokhladnenski, Kotlyareva-kaya and Malskoye, continued their sweeping advance along a wide of additional towns.

The entire province of North under the Red banner by Soviet forces operating along the west bank of the Terek river, while other Russian troops rolled the Germans back to the north, Red Star asserted

To the north, along the lower Don, the Russians were reported fighting forward after overru the important Nazi bridgehead fown of Tsimlyansk and thus driving a second speathead within 25 miles of Rostov, whose fall might drom the entire German force in the Cau-

The first spearhead was thrust earlier southwest of Kameusk to a point about 100 miles northwest of Rostov, the great port at the mouth of the Don. (Reuters, British news ager estimated in London that more than

half-million of Adolf Hitler's finest troops were in full retreat in the Caucasus and the middle Don.) Red Star said the main line of German fortifications at the eastern end of the Caucasus front was shat-tered Monday when the Russians

Allied Headquarters in North Af- 12-mile final thrust yesterday, Red rica, Jan. 6.—Veteran British First Star said, the Russians drove into and captured the town of Prokhlad-

> where the trunk line Caucasus rail-road from Rostov to the Baku oil fields meets a branch line running south of Ordzhonikidze.

> mans gack to the west at an accelrated rate, with tanks and infantry overwhelming enemy centers of resistance, the army newspaper re-

> Don Cossack Guardists, swinging their sabres in mounted action and then dismounting for action with modern automatic weapons, were Caucasus campaign. Izvestia, the government

and stormed enemy defenses in at-

tacks leading to the recapture of Mozdok on Monday. Izvestia said the Germans hu attacks outmaneuvered the heavy machines and charged on over the

The fall of Teimlyansk was announced in a triumphant special Russian communique which declared that five other important towns