

RATIONING TIME TABLE

WAR RATION BOOK NO. 1

SHOES—Stamp 18 good for one pair. Expiration date indefinite.

WAR RATION BOOK 3

BROWN stamps—for meat, canned fish, most edible oils, cheeses and canned milk:

V, W and X valid until Feb. 26; Y and Z good now to March 20 at their 8, 5, 2 and 1 values. Red tokens or brown 1-point stamps will be given in change for them from Feb. 27 to March 20.

Stamp No. 1 on airplane sheet (1 pair shoes), expiring date not set.

STAMP BONUS—Butchers will give two brown points for every pound of kitchen fats received.

WAR RATION BOOK NO. 4

Stamp No. 30 (5 lbs. sugar)—Good now and through March 31. Stamp No. 40 (5 lbs. sugar for canning)—Good Feb. 1 through Feb. 28.

GREEN stamps—for canned, frozen and certain dehydrated foods; K, L, and M valid now until March 20 at their 8, 5, 2 and 1 values. Tokens will be given in change for them Feb. 27 to March 20.

RED stamps (10 points) for meat, canned fish, most edible oils, cheeses, canned milk:
A8, B8, C8, D8 and E8, valid Feb. 27; D8, E8 and F8, March 12, expire May 20.

BLUE stamps (10 points each) for canned, frozen and certain dehydrated foods:
A8, B8, C8, D8 and E8, valid Feb. 27, expire May 20.

GASOLINE

No. 10 coupon good for three gallons of gasoline till March 21 inclusive.

All coupons, A, B and C, must be endorsed on face with car license number and state of registration.

TIRE INSPECTION—C book holders—every 3 months, 5th inspection before Feb. 29, B book holders—every 4 months, 4th inspection before Feb. 29, A book holders—every 6 months, 3rd inspection before March 31. T coupons every 6 months or 5000 miles of driving.

RATION BOARD OFFICE HOURS—At 2300 Carson st., daily from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Biagio Briganti Dies Suddenly Of Heart Ills

Stricken with a heart attack, Biagio Anthony Briganti, 35, while leaning over a water-filled horse trough at the home of his father, Frank Briganti of 735 W. Carson st., Torrance, met sudden death last Monday morning.

The deceased was born in New York and moved to this community 24 years ago. He was married and made his home at 1341 Raymond ave., Long Beach.

He is survived by his wife, Beulah E., and a daughter, Beverly Jo, of the Long Beach address; also by his father and another of 735 Carson st.; Mrs. Frank Longo, sister, of Los Angeles; Louis J., a brother, Torrance; Mrs. J. Lupo, sister, Torrance; Mrs. Michael Donish, sister, 735 W. Carson st., Torrance; Tristic, brother with U. S. Coast Guard, now stationed at San Diego; Luigi, brother, U. S. Marines, stationed in North Carolina; Lucy B. Briganti, sister, residing with her parents; two uncles and four aunts. Rosary will be held at the Stone & Myers chapel this, Thursday, evening at 8 o'clock. Mass will be said at the Church of the Nativity, Torrance, at 9 a.m. Friday, Rev. Joseph J. Bauer officiating. Interment will follow in Holy Cross Cemetery, Los Angeles.

The deceased was well known in this community, in which his parents have resided for many years. He attended the local schools and had a wide circle of friends.

OPA Approves Cooperatives' Dividend Pay

Seven special rules were announced today by the Office of Price Administration under which marketing cooperative associations may make payments of dividends to their patron-members, even though the dividend plus the original payment results in the patron receiving more than the official ceiling price for a commodity.

Previously OPA had ruled that such dividend returns or rebates might not be paid if they resulted in the seller getting a net return higher than his ceiling price. All such rulings are superseded by today's action, which is particularly planned to enable cooperative marketing associations to operate by their established methods.

The seven points which must be met to make such payments legal are:

- (1) The association must operate on a cooperative basis for the mutual benefit of its members and be recognized as a cooperative under the laws of the state or territory where it does business.
- (2) Its dollar or volume percentage of business for members must exceed that done for non-members.
- (3) Control must lie in the hands of its members.
- (4) It may not guarantee a dividend or patronage payment at a specific rate.
- (5) Dividend or patronage payments may not be issued oftener than every six months.
- (6) If separate accounts are kept for various operations, dividend checks from each account shall go only to members participating in that activity on which the check is drawn, and
- (7) If a farmers' cooperative, all requirements of the Capper-Volstead act must be conformed to.

HALF DAY SESSIONS

The schools in Torrance were dismissed shortly after noon Tuesday on account of the storm but resumed yesterday morning with attendance about normal. Many absentees were reported Monday and Tuesday because of the rain.

CUCCIS ENTERTAIN

Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Cuccis entertained at their weekend guest Miss Sue Stephenson of Fullerton.

WACS Meet Snake Charmers



Americans WACS stationed at Delhi, India, don't even squeal as Indian snake charmers let loose their deadly cobras from baskets. WACS laugh as hooded monsters (inflated to siren notes of native gourd flutes).

Government Owns 43 Percent Of All Land In California

In California, the federal government owns 43 percent of all the land, instead of 20 percent as in the nation at large. For years past, the federal government has been acquiring privately owned forest land in California in connection with its timber conservation and national park program, and this has adversely

affected many of the State's rural counties, forcing a constantly increasing tax burden on farmers, home owners and other common taxpayers. Since the advent of war, the federal government's property acquisitions have embraced not only rural areas but important urban property. These war acquisitions have removed from the tax rolls of local government in California real property with an assessed valuation of more than \$100,000,000.

There is a determined movement on foot to see that the federal government, when the war is ended, turns back to private ownership (and the tax rolls) all the land that is not actually needed for government purposes, argues Ralph H. Taylor, agricultural council of California secretary.

"That is imperative, but that, in itself, is not enough. It is also imperative that farm land, particularly, should be dispersed by federal agencies direct to farmers without permitting private speculators to get hold of it and sell it again at extortionate profits. And if the federal government continues to hold vast acreages of land on a permanent basis, then it is imperative that such land be forced to carry its fair share of the tax load, either by direct taxation or by refunds by the federal government to local taxing agencies."

Mrs. S. N. Tyler Knitting For Red Cross at Age 93

Mrs. S. N. Tyler of 1103 Craven ave., Torrance, at the age of almost 93 years, is not too old to knit for the Red Cross in the interest of servicemen of World War II. When she was only 10 years old she knit for soldiers of the Civil War, in which her husband fought. Before World War I she conducted a business of her own in which she did fancy knitting and when our men were sent overseas to fight with the Allies in that struggle started by Germany, Mrs. Tyler found time to knit for the Red Cross and treasures a certificate bearing the signature of President Wilson. Now she is knitting again for the Red Cross. She has a son who is now 70 years old.

Evening Drafting, Blue Print Reading Class Offered

The Torrance High school evening classes are to be extended and are offering a course in drafting and blueprint reading to all interested. If the classes are formed, sessions will be held at the high school on Monday and Wednesday evenings from 7 to 9:30 o'clock under the direction of James H. Burchett, regular teacher of these subjects, who is a member of the high school faculty.

Any person desiring to enter the classes as requested to call either phone 645 or 315 for further information or contact Mr. Burchett at the school.

PERMISSION GRANTED

The Army Transport Ferrying command stationed at Long Beach has been given permission to operate crabs; trucks on the streets of Torrance through action of the city council last night.

Tax Examiners at Local Chamber February 28-29

Two examiners from the state franchise tax commissioner's office will be at the local Chamber of Commerce offices Feb. 28 and 29, from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m., it was announced in a letter received today from F. R. Reynolds, area income tax supervisor. The California personal income tax act will require for the current year that single persons having a net income of \$2,000 or more, married people having a net income of \$3,500, or more, and either of these two classes having a gross of \$5,000, must file whether tax may be due or not.

The rate is 1% on the first \$30,000 of taxable income, Reynolds said. Businessmen and industrial workers who are liable for the state income tax are urged to file their returns on these two days, Feb. 28 and 29.

Henry Fiesel Named Keystone Chairman For Victory Gardens

Henry Fiesel has been appointed Keystone chairman of the 1944 victory garden campaign of the county war council, according to Roy M. Tuttle, executive of the Citizens Service Corps.

Fiesel will arouse public interest in the need for an ambitious program of victory gardening in this area and act as clearing house for garden information supplied by the county garden experts.

Latest figures from county farm advisor indicate that increased demands on our food supply calls for the planting of the largest acreage in our history. Much of this increased acreage must come from the "city-lot" gardeners. Last year more than 207,000 victory gardens were planted in Los Angeles County. The goal this year is 230,000.

SIX-HOUR DAY FOR SCHOOL CROSSING GUARDS

At the request of John Strohl, chief of police, the four school crossing guards are to be employed six hours daily instead of five as heretofore at the same hourly pay. This action was authorized at the city council session Wednesday night.

Army Camp Buildings Available Now for Recreation Facilities

Torrance has the opportunity to obtain possession of some of the buildings erected on East road near Normandie ave. for the U. S. Ordnance squadron which recently moved away.

R. G. Legg of the area plant production committee, office of the President, has advised that the camp has been abandoned and he has informed Mayor T. F. McGuire that it Torrance needs the structures for recreation facilities the chances are favorable that they can be had for that purpose. The final say rests with the Army command stationed at Denver, it was said.

MEETING AT EL SEGUNDO

The next meeting of the League of California Cities, L. A. County branch, will be held at El Segundo on Thursday evening, March 16, according to an announcement of Tom F. McGuire, president of the league.

CHURCH FILES COMPLAINT

The Assembly of God church filed a complaint with the city council Wednesday night about drainage conditions on Border ave., advising that water standing next to the curbline in front of the church makes parking inconvenient. The matter was referred to the city engineer for investigation and action.

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