

Sportsman in Wheel Chair Shows Way to Protect Quail Covey

A recent letter to the state division of fish and game from Frank H. Ora of Lakeport, a veteran of World War I, illustrates one of the things that can be done to bring back quail. Ora for the past few years has been conducting an intensive campaign against the quail predators on his ranch. He reported killing 21 sharp-shinned and Cooper's hawks, 7 housecats, 57 crows and 2 horned owls during 1943. According to his report, quail on his place have increased from one covey of 50 last year to two coveys, one of 60 and one of 30 birds, this year.

Local, intensive predator control on areas that are to be used for quail shooting is considered practical management, when combined with proper food, cover and water control, according to Ben Glading, economic biologist for the bureau of game conservation, now working on quail management.

It will interest sportsmen and ranches who wonder how they are going to get manpower to conduct a quail management program that Ora has been confined to a wheel chair since the last war.



NEW LIGHT OPERA STAR

When "DREAM OF ROMANCE," the all American Operetta, by Lloyd Fremont Chase, opens at the Majan Theatre in Los Angeles, Thursday, April 20th... Lucille Norman, beautiful singing and dancing artist, will make her first local appearance in a major musical... Miss Norman, well known in motion pictures, has been loaned by Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer for the forthcoming production... Edward Scheroni of New York is the producer and the company consists of over 100 of the finest singing and dancing artists with elaborate scenic and lighting effects... a bevy of beautiful girls... music you will always remember. The presentation in Los Angeles is sponsored by the Light Opera Guild of America.

BLOODED HORSE STRAYS
A roan horse, a great-great-grandson of Man o' War, one of the greatest race horses of all time, was missing from his pasture, presumably having strayed away last weekend, his owner, Mrs. Joe Leonard, 289 East Road, notified the local police department.



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Lomitas Win Wild Softball Game, 20-17

The All Nations Cardinals and Monrovia Merchants had a cock-eyed baseball game when they met in Monrovia last Sunday and the five Lomita boys with the Cards pushed over their fifth win to the tune of 20 to 17. Each team used four pitchers, the Redwings both Alex and Ernie Palica, Johnny Aguayo and Jonas Miles.

Out of the 55 base hits, the five local boys got 15 of their team's 27, and the single homer of the fray was credited to Ernie Palica. Few errors and good pitching, according to Claire Ausmus, were there, as well as several Lomita fans.

New Shoe Stamp Is Designated by OPA

Airplane stamp No. 2 in war ration book 3 has been selected as the one which will be used after May 1 to purchase a pair of new shoes. This was announced here today by George B. Land, OPA shoe rationing specialist for eight southern California counties.

Like those stamps which have preceded it, the No. 2 airplane stamp will be good for an indefinite period, Land said. OPA has announced that there will be at least 30 days notice given the public any time that a shoe stamp is to be retired.

Stamp No. 18 in war ration book 1 will not be valid after April 30.

Elementary School Districts Benefit by State Allotments

Los Angeles county elementary school districts got an extra dividend of \$1,479,235 of state money under the terms of 1943 legislation, by which the legislature raised the minimum salary of elementary teachers from \$1,320 to \$1,500 a year and increased state aid to the elementary schools from \$1,400 to \$1,670 per teacher unit, the schools subcommittee of the joint legislative committee on state tax structure, studying the results of the 1943 legislation, found.

"Only \$43,012 was actually needed to bring all elementary teachers' salaries in the county up to the state minimum," study by the committee shows. This means the school districts in the county get \$1,436,223 more than was needed to comply with

the minimum salary provision. The total allotment by the state to the elementary schools in the county for 1943-44 was \$16,522,920.

Over the state, \$4,203,421 of additional state money was apportioned this year, with only \$397,147 actually needed to bring all elementary teachers' salaries to the \$1,500 minimum. The state paid school districts \$3,806,274 more than was needed to comply with the changed law. Total apportionment for the elementary schools was \$46,651,293 for 1943-44.

Of all persons formally charged by the police in the U. S., 79.4 percent were found guilty in 1942.

Gauchos Win All Six Tennis Tilts

Undeclared in all six games, the Gauchos racqueteurs of Narbonne won the Marine League tennis championship for 1944. This is their first championship in 14 years. Coach Bailey's team made 39 points, with only three scored against them.

First singles champion, Jay Imel, undefeated for two years, went through another season in the same style.

Besides Imel, Lloyd Harline, Marvin Garrabrandt, Lew Don Swaffer, Johnny Steinbach, Paul Biller, Eddie Roberts, Earl Theaker and Jay Harris are all champions.

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