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The plan will require the employment of an army of workers—100,000 at least, of whom one-fourth will be women.

The housing problem is vast. Ypsilanti, the nearest city, cannot accommodate a fraction of the Willow Run army of workers.

The government is building dormitories for men, huge apartment units, and thousands of single homes—all within a short distance of the plant—in an emergency effort to meet the needs. Because of the transportation problem created by scarcity of rubber tires and shortage of gasoline in the East, officials do not believe it is practical to transport 100,000 persons twice daily at any great distance.

Ypsilanti and Washtenaw county officials fear that Willow Run will become a great "ghost town" when the war is over. But you can't stop for philosophy when there is a war to be won. And so it's all-out for bomber planes. The cost can not be measured in our freedom.

The rate of production at Willow Run is a highly guarded military secret.

But this much can be said: The objective is fantastic, but it will be reached. The mechanical wizardry of Henry Ford is a legend to every school child.

President Roosevelt himself has put the nation's goal at 18,500 warplanes by 1944. That is in terms of annual production.

Little wonder that Detroit war officials, while quarreling among themselves over jurisdiction, agree on this: Willow Run is an invitation to an Axis air raid, just as the Sault Ste. Marie locks at the " Soo" constitutes a challenge.

Wives of editors—and some of Michigan newspaper editors—are women—were greatly irked by a government regulation forbidding admittance of women visitors into the plant.

After all, were not women sacrificing for the war? And were not women being invited to work in the plant?

The explanation, however, is far from being critical of the fair sex. Michigan newspaper women are

blessed with beauty, a fact that no one can possibly deny.

As a public relations diplomat explained the situation to us, war workers would be distracted from concentration of the assembly line, thousands of hours of needed war work would be lost, and perhaps bombers would not be finished between defeat and victory on some far-off front.

All because of the ladies! Governor Murray D. Van Wagoner and officials of the Michigan Council of Defense recently made an inspection tour of the "Soo" locks.

Army troops paraded through the main streets.

Balloons were high in the sky, guardians against dive bombers.

Residents of the border city viewed the spectacle with great satisfaction, for this historic frontier town is today one of Michigan's best protected centers. Anti-aircraft posts have been established in a huge ring on both sides of the border. Soldiers and trucks cross the border without formality of passports, evidence of a coordinated program of military preparedness by both American and Canadian governments.

It is a well publicized fact that these locks at the "Soo" serve twice as much freight tonnage each year as Panama and Suez canals put together.

Rationing of gasoline is now regarded as inevitable.

It may be proclaimed about July 1, a date that traditionally has ushered the summer season of Michigan's well developed tourist industry.

Resort proprietors are not any too happy about the prospect, but they are finding bright linings on the rationing clouds. If railroad and bus transportation facilities are not rationed, as the Office of Defense Transportation recently intimated it might require, resorts served by good transportation will have a good season.

People will come to hotels and cottages and stay PUT for the "duration" of their vacation.

The usual gadding around at dancing and night spots, hamburger stands, taverns and other American institutions will not be possible. Road-

side cabins will probably take a liking in business this summer, if gasoline rationing is declared.

But the demand for lake cottages is the greatest in many years, so we hear from Cheboygan. Healthful vacations may be rediscovered; families will stay together and get acquainted.

To John B. Knight, newspaper publisher of Akron, Miami and Detroit, our "inert, spineless" Congress at Washington is one of the worst in history. In a long page-one editorial Knight recently blasted Congressmen for their penance "Bundles" and "X" rationing cards. He branded our representatives at Washington as being a "total waste of time, money and effort," and he urged all voters to do something about it.

A contrasting viewpoint is offered by Frank R. Moses, publisher of the Marshall Evening Chronicle, who points to the latest Gallup poll as convincing proof that the next Congress will be increasingly Democratic.

"The idea most frequently expressed by voters in this poll was that they didn't want to change parties while a war was on, and the Gallup people came to the conclusion that the Republicans had not found an issue which appeals to the people or a leader who could rally the voters to the Republican cause."

"Congress is bitterly criticized year in and year out, but taken as a whole, it does a good job."

Take your choice. Campaign tactics by Messrs. Van Wagoner and Kelly will be officially non-political for the next few months.

Both men are making frequent appearances at war rallies, and they are shunning politics in their prepared talks.

Van Wagoner's cue may be the reasoning of the Gallup poll: Don't change a bipartisan government while a war is on. Kelly's appeal may be: Put more efficiency in Michigan's war effort.

Each reasoning has the same motive: Help to win the war.

First Submarine
The first military submarine was built by David Buell, a Colonist, in 1776.

Victory

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affecting practically everything that Americans eat, use, and wear, that applications for relief from the maximum price are expected only "in the most unusual circumstances." OPA extended from June 1 to July 1 the time within which retailers must file price lists of designated "cost-of-living" items with their local boards, but emphasized that they still must post these prices beginning May 18 for the benefit of the public.

Three Gallons a Week
Veterans of rationing (the first sugar, stamp expired Saturday) stood in line for cards that will provide pleasure drivers with gasoline at the rate of 3 gallons a week.

Public outcry at the number of persons obtaining X (unlimited) and B-3 (extra gasoline) cards was followed by an OPA decree that names of persons and the types of cards they got be made public. There will be a check, anyway, to see that persons are entitled to the cards they hold.

At the same time it was announced that Oregon and Washington motorists will have their gasoline rationed by card beginning June 1.

Moving in still further on individual transportation, WPB gave OPA rationing authority over new adult bicycles, which have been frozen since April 2.

OPA Commends Cooperative Landlords
Price Administrator Henderson praised landlords who have written to him promising support of the code or rent he prescribed April 23 for 302 new areas.

OPA also gave retailers a way to price certain yard-weather merchandise not sold in March, the general ceiling, base, and established formal ceiling rates; new tires and tubes at wholesale, shears (used to make flying suits), and nonferrous foundry products.

Other OPA actions affected machines and parts; woodpulp; unsorted waste paper; combed cotton yarn; all-cotton goods; 3 kinds of woolen fabrics; mixed shipments of iron and steel scrap, and specially prepared copper scrap.

New Air Conditioning Limited
The Division of Industry Operations banned new installations of air conditioning and commercial refrigeration except to meet war and essential civilian needs; substituted alloy iron and steel to monthly melting schedules; froze soft-wood construction lumber; curtailed grinding and pressing of cocoa beans; placed production of anti-freeze on a quota basis; cleared thinner and less fancy glass containers; limited use of colors on the outside of pencils; lifted a death sentence on coat hangers. Spermoil was put under complete allocation, and the use of cashew nut oil in brake linings except for Army and Navy was prohibited. Acrylonitrile, needed for Buna rubber, also was placed under allocation.

WPB began turning over for conversion to weapons 300,000 tons of copper and brass products manufacturers had been forbidden to use. Suppliers of maintenance and repair parts to copper and brass mills were given an A-1 rating.

A. I. Henderson was appointed to head the Materials Division, as W. L. Batt withdrew to give his time to the chairmanship of the Requirements Committee and other important duties.

Construction Bureau Formed
The Production Division organized a bureau to carry out the construction policies of WPB. At the same time the Division of Industry Operations freed certain construction of roads by governmental agencies from individual project rating.

All shipment of grain ceased on the Great Lakes so far as it involved boats suitable to carry vital iron ore for the war effort.

War Production Drive headquarters announced that plant committees, encouraging car pooling by use of maps with thumbtacks and other methods, had reduced the number of automobiles bringing men to work by as much as two-thirds.

KEEP YOUR CAR RUNNING

Bring it in to Burnett Brothers for a Sinclair Lubrication job. Do it today and lengthen the life of your car.

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AT THE REDFORD THEATER



Spanning three continents and the seven seas, "Son of Fury," the story of Benjamin Blake, is the fiery, action-packed story of a man who battles the world for his birthright. Starring Tyrone Power in the roaring title role, the filmization of Edison Marshall's best-seller "Benjamin Blake" contains the adventures of ten lifetimes, replete with lusty fights, adventure and tempestuous romance under a South Sea island moon.

A top-flight cast was assembled, including exotic Gene Tierney as the alluring native girl; villainous George Sanders who portrays Tyrone's vindictive uncle; gorgeous Frances Farmer as Tyrone's English sweetheart; and young Roddy McDowall as the youthful Benjamin Blake.

"Son of Fury" opens Friday for a four-day engagement at the Redford Theatre.

LOCALS

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Becker and guest Mrs. Anna Kling were entertained by Mrs. Casper Kells of Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Bruggema of Grand Rapids will be the weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Bogg. Mr. and Mrs. Curt Brammer and children of Jackson were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bagnall.

Mrs. George Davis entertained Friday evening in honor of the birthday of her sister Mrs. A. Perkins.

Eleven members of Pi Epsilon Study Club were entertained at luncheon Friday by Mrs. Guy Duran.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Durgan and Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Johnson attended the Horse Show in Northville Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Westfall and children and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Auten visited Mr. Auten's

dinner in the cafeteria Friday evening.

Mrs. Mary Rollins and Mrs. Ina Moore of Hart, Michigan are house guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bagnall.

Mrs. H. A. Barrons of Detroit visited her son Mr. Norman Barrons and family Sunday.

Girl Scouts Carol Joy and Betty Hunt attended the Camp Sherwood reunion of former campers at Camp Sherwood near Lapeer last Saturday. The whole day was spent in camp, renewing old acquaintances and having a regular camp routine, preparatory to the opening of the Camp next month.

June Hunt of Oakland Road celebrated her eleventh birthday last Saturday by holding a dinner-theatre party for nine of her friends. The party enjoyed games, etc. and lunch. In the afternoon they all attended the Civic Theatre as guests of June.

Dead-Eye Dick?

A Philadelphia policeman fired at a speeding automobile—and killed a milkman's horse.

Michigan Is Pitching In For Uncle Sam!

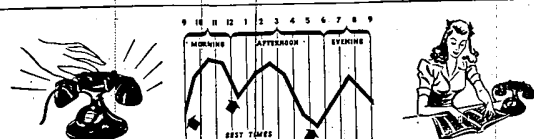


We know the farmers of Michigan are "all out" to step up production for Uncle Sam. That is our reason for supporting "Michigan Days" for 1942.

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HOW TO USE YOUR TELEPHONE IN WARTIME



2. Avoid the "peak" hours for your calls. The best times to call are before 10 a.m. 12 to 2 p.m., 4 to 7 p.m., and after 9 p.m.

3. Be sure you have the right number. Consult the directory. Please don't call information needlessly.



5. Speak distinctly, with your lips about half an inch from the mouthpiece, so that you won't have to repeat.

6. Don't telephone during or after an air raid alarm or blackout, except in emergency. Keep lines clear for war calls.

TELEPHONE lines today are carrying a bigger load than ever before, and they must be used efficiently to give maximum service to the war effort.

For the nation's Armed Forces, the Federal Government, the Civilian Defense agencies and the war production industries have first call on telephone

facilities. Above are shown six ways you can help.

In so far as war restrictions and material shortages permit, we shall continue to furnish you with the best service possible. And we look forward to the day when we again can give the kind of service wanted, "when and where wanted." But now, and for the duration, war needs come first.

Michigan Bell Telephone Company



WARTIME NEEDS



CHANGE GREYHOUND SCHEDULES

EFFECTIVE WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3RD...

Greyhound buses will operate on new war-time schedules. This change in service is being made in order to cooperate to the fullest extent with the war-time plans of the Office of Defense Transportation. The purpose is to make every bus work full time—keeping vital traffic on the move.

America's war program has the right of way! The great majority of the people Greyhound is carrying today intend to carry efficiently are selectees traveling on leave or furlough, war workers moving to their jobs, businessmen traveling on essential work. The trips they take are necessary to keep the war program rolling.

With increased service demanded for war production increases in travel, it is necessary to divert equipment to routes where it is most needed.

Many peace-time features are discontinued. Operating speeds are somewhat reduced. Express and Limited schedules are eliminated entirely. Second sections of regular schedules are being eliminated until the buses carry a sufficient number of passengers. Greyhound schedules will be combined with those of other bus companies, when necessary.

Conservation of rubber is all-important—and Greyhound is taking every possible step to increase the big savings already effected. Today buses use only a fraction as much rubber as private cars per passenger, per mile—and they average more than 40,000 miles per tire.

We hope that these war-time changes will not cause you inconvenience, crowding or delay. But if you do find travel as comfortable and easy as in normal times, please make allowances! The war effort comes first with Greyhound as it does with you!

You Can Help

by getting information about the new schedules before you travel—taking a little baggage as possible—traveling before or after the mid-summer rush period—taking your trip on mid-week days, leaving seats or week-ends for soldiers and war workers.

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