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AFU PRE-CONVENTION MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN ON HOME STRETCH!

The AFU Pre-Convention Membership Campaign is steaming full speed ahead! At this time the prospects of obtaining a quota of 1,000 new members look very promising. It can be done if each and every AFU member helps his or her lodge delegate by enrolling new members.

We note, with great satisfaction, the large number of new juvenile applicants this year. This is an indication of a secure future for our organization. It signifies that more and more of today's children will be enlightened, as they grow along with the AFU, as to the ideas and principles of fraternalism.

Today almost everyone is making some sort of post-war plans which will effect their lives in the future. This is just as true with the parents who provide an insured future for their children. Parents who enroll their children in the American Fraternal Union are building a firm foundation for them. Our Union has various plans which will suit every individual's need. Talk it over with your local lodge secretary! Acquaint yourselves with the benefits which may be derived by belonging to the AFU!

This is your lodge and your Union. Just as you are entitled to all the benefits and privileges accorded a member, you are also indebted to fulfill your obligations to your lodge and Union. One of these obligations is to spread the good word as to how beneficial it is to be an AFU member.

Every campaign must have the full support of its membership to be successful. This Pre-Convention Membership Campaign is a fine opportunity to fulfill your duty to your lodge and Union by enrolling as many new members as possible. The final result depends upon every one of us! Let's all do our part for the AFU now — by enrolling those new members. The campaign is on its home stretch and if each one of us gives it a boost by adding a new member, it will be a smashing success. So let's go all out for our AFU. Enroll that new member now!

Thought For The Day

Sure, it's hard for us over here, thousands of miles from it, to get the picture of our warfare. We can't see the faces on those kids . . . our kids . . . as they punch the big numbers through ack-ack. We can't know what's in their heads and their hearts when a shell cracks through and they slump in his seat. And we never will know. But we can . . . and hope . . . and help in the small ways we can. . . like buying War Bonds. They ask us . . . all of us to Back the Attack with War Bonds . . . at least one more Bond than we've been buying. A few dollars more help . . . which we get back with interest. Will we do it? Can we do anything else and look them in the face on that blessed day of victory? What do you think?

The State of Wyoming and Our West

By A. J. T.

The 17th regular convention of the American Fraternal Union will be held in August in the State of Wyoming, that is why our members, especially our delegates will be interested in knowing what our West is like. The Western part of the United States, of course, is very huge and a detailed description would be at least a thick volume to write. However, perhaps a brief description will interest our readers who never yet have been to our far away West. In the first place we must mention that the West is much less populated than other places in the Middle West and East. One reason for this being that it was settled much later than other sections of the country; another is that in the West there are many barren places. Many of the West are arid, that is, there is much less rainfall and the logical result is that vegetation cannot grow. There are in our West vast plains where for miles and miles you do not see any trees or bushes. The land is covered with sparse grass and sage brush. Of course, where there has been the opportunity and capital to provide irrigation for such areas it has been possible to change these plains into rich lands and orchards. The richest farms in the West are dependent upon irrigation. This same is true in California.

News of AFU Yanks

A. J. Sustercich S 1/c writes this week from the Marshall Islands. He says: "The Nova Doba has been coming to me regularly from the first issue on. I want to thank you and all who are responsible for making it possible for me to get this paper. Besides the English section there is the Slovene—and I'm slowly but surely polishing up on it. Of course there are some words that give a 'gob' some difficulty but then that is true of all languages.

"How about me? Oh I've been getting along all right. I'm in the Marshall Islands—quite a hot place as would be expected being so near the equator.

"In our spare time, which we do have, there is always swimming, baseball and in the evenings we have movies, a change of pictures every night. Several times a week we have 'beer and coke night' and if a gob doesn't go for this we have a well-stocked library to divert one's attention.

"I have a new address and hope to keep on receiving the paper. Wishing you and all the AFU members the best of luck, I remain,

Respectfully yours,
Albert J. Sustercich."

S/Sgt. Anthony Drenik would like all his friends who write to him to note his new military address.

S/Sgt. Anthony J. Drenik,
35022449
936th Ordnance (HAM) Co.
Fort Bliss, Texas.

Pfc. Steve Babich returns to this column again with his "AFU Special!" He writes:

"Dear AFU Friends: Well, I'm back again because I cannot hold out any longer. I am now attending school here in Camp Ellis, Ill. I am learning a lot of things but I am not allowed to tell you anything about them. I would like to know if there are any members of the AFU in Peoria, Ill. If so, I would like them to write to me for I am stationed close by. So if there are any of you folks in Peoria, Ill., I would appreciate your writing to me. I'll write more later. We have Saturdays and Sundays off. This is all for now.

"My address is as follows:
Pfc. Steve Babich, 15322552
326th Army Postal Unit
Camp Ellis, Ill."

"I see by the papers that nine second lieutenants and one private were hurt in a train wreck."

"Poor chap!"

only 225,565 inhabitants, nearly a fourth of the population of the city of Cleveland, Ohio. The state lies high above sea level and has some small valleys under 4000 feet below sea level. The territory of the present state of Wyoming was, except for the Southwestern corner, included in the Louisiana Purchase in 1803. The territory of Wyoming was directly created by Congress on July 25, 1868 from parts of Dakota, Utah and Idaho. The government of the territory was organized in 1869 and that same year the women received the right to vote. Wyoming was actually accepted as a state on July 10, 1890.

American Fraternal Union Members Serving Our Country



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Attention Delegates!

All delegates to the 17th regular AFU convention who wish the local Convention Preparations Committee to reserve lodgings and board for them during their stay in Rock Springs, Wyo., are kindly asked to send their names and addresses to: "Mrs. Fannie Jenko, 1118 Clark St., Rock Springs, Wyo." Upon receiving your names I shall send each delegate who writes, a card to be filled out which will express the wishes of the delegate in this respect. We shall then do our best to fulfill your desires. — Thank you.

Frances Jenko

Cost of Army Equipment

During this Fifth War Loan drive you might be interested in knowing what some of the Army equipment costs. Your War Bond dollars and cents help supply these items for our armed forces.

A Walkie-Talkie costs \$300; a field telephone, \$45; a life vest, \$1.50; a first aid kit, \$4.65; a gas mask, \$10; a jeep, \$1,407; clothing for a paratrooper, \$160.63; a "Blockbuster" (4,000 lbs.), \$778; a field ambulance (1 1/2 ton), \$3,433; a flame thrower, \$276; a fragmentation bomb (23 lbs.), \$21, and a scout car, \$6,174.

Do your part now during the 5th War Loan! Supply our fighting men with all the equipment they need to achieve the goal of victory!

BUY MORE THAN BEFORE! LET'S ALL BACK THE ATTACK!

Cash Awards

The American Fraternal Union pays awards for newly-enrolled members in both departments. They are as follows:
The awards are as follows for the Adult Department:
For Plan "D" insured for \$ 250 death benefit, \$ 1.50 award;
For Plan "D" insured for \$ 500 death benefit, \$ 2.50 award;
For Plan "D" insured for \$1,000 death benefit, \$ 5.00 award;
For Plan "D" insured for \$1,500 death benefit, \$ 7.00 award;
For Plan "D" insured for \$2,000 death benefit, \$ 9.00 award;
For Plan "D" insured for \$3,000 death benefit, \$12.00 award;
For Plan "E" and "F" insured for \$ 250 death benefit, \$ 2.00 award;
For Plan "E" and "F" insured for \$ 500 death benefit, \$ 3.00 award;
For Plan "E" and "F" insured for \$1,000 death benefit, \$ 6.00 award;
For Plan "E" and "F" insured for \$1,500 death benefit, \$10.00 award;
For Plan "E" and "F" insured for \$2,000 death benefit, \$12.00 award;
For Plan "E" and "F" insured for \$3,000 death benefit, \$18.00 award.
Awards for enrolling new juvenile members:
For Plan "JA" \$1.00 award; for Plan "JB" \$3.00 award; for Plan "JC" for \$500 insurance, \$3.00 award; for Plan "JD" for \$1,000 insurance, \$5.00 award; for Plan "JE" for \$250 insurance, \$1.50 award; for Plan "JF" for \$500 insurance, \$3.00 award; for Plan "JG" for \$1,000 insurance, \$5.00 award.
All members who enroll new members in the adult or juvenile departments of the American Fraternal Union are entitled to these awards. The awards will be paid when the new members have paid six months dues.

Attention Members of Lodge 230, AFU

Chisholm, Minn. — Members of Lodge No. 230, AFU are hereby notified that our coming monthly meeting will be held July 13th at the home of the secretary. The regular monthly lodge meeting will be held August 10th. This is due to the fact that the secretary will have to prepare for the convention. The August meeting will also be held at the home of the secretary.

Raymond Koscak, 18 years old, left to serve in Uncle Sam's Navy. He enlisted voluntarily. We lodge members are proud of him and wish him a safe return home. Raymond is the son of our member Antonia Kosher and he is the first member of our lodge to join the U. S. armed forces.

Regards to all members of our lodge and I'll be seeing you at our next meeting on July 13th.

Mary Zurga, Sec'y
Lodge No. 230, AFU
Chisholm, Minn.

Nova Doba Lauded by Red Cross Official

The following letter was received by our Editor recently. We are happy in knowing that the AFU and its official organ, the Nova Doba, are doing their share in America's war effort.

June 22, 1944
Mr. A. J. Terbovec, Editor
Nova Doba

6233 St. Clair Avenue
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Sir:
It is with pleasure that I write to express my personal appreciation for the cooperation in our 1944 War Fund campaign provided through the columns of NOVA DOBA.

The \$200,000,000 goal was oversubscribed by more than \$15,000,000. Unquestionably, foreign language editors and publishers throughout the United States, by their generous contributions of space, were instrumental in furthering the splendid response of their readers to our appeal. The many publications I have reviewed indicate that foreign language papers are to be congratulated on the spirit with which they supported the Red Cross.

With best wishes,
Sincerely yours,
Robert P. MacHatton, Chief
Foreign Language Press
Section, American Red
Cross Hdqtrs., Wash-
ington, D. C.

Dad criticized the sermon. Mother the organist, Sister the choir. Little Billy: "I think it was a darn good show for a nickel."

To the Delegation of the 17th AFU Convention

HOW WILL YOU TRAVEL TO THE CONVENTION?

Before every previous convention the Supreme Board notified the elected delegates as to how they should travel so as to attend the convention on time. For this convention the Supreme Secretary also attempted to find out what accommodations and services could be had from our railroad lines; however due to war-time conditions and the heavy traffic on railroads, the Supreme Board could not get any reply.

The answer of all railroad companies was the same: **Every delegate should obtain his or her own railroad ticket.** This concerns every delegate as well as all the Supreme Officers and members of the Supreme Judiciary Committee. This time everyone must look out for himself.

THE CONVENTION BEGINS AUGUST 17th

Every delegate should make arrangements for himself, and make certain they are in Rock Springs on August 16th. In accordance with Section 20 of our By-laws the members are entitled to travel in sleepers if they travel through the night. If you intend to travel in Pullman cars, then you must make reservation at the railroad station from which you will leave, **at least 31 days before your trip.** This means that if you leave on August 13th you must make your reservations by July 13th definitely. The railroads will try to accommodate you if they will have vacancies in their Pullman cars, if not, you will have to be satisfied with ordinary cars if there will be room.

These are the present day conditions in regard to traveling on our American railroads. That is why you should prepare now for this trip. Inquire now at your station as to when you should leave so you will positively be in Rock Springs, Wyo. on August 16th. Make your reservations with your railroad agent a month before your trip.

You do not need to state at your railroad station that you are going to attend a convention, for this won't help at all. Only say that you must be in Rock Springs, Wyo. on August 16th.

It is expected that the convention will be concluded in four days. If so, the delegation will be able to leave the convention city on August 22nd. Try to make reservations for the return trip also if at all possible, so you can leave the town right after the convention.

TAKE THIS ADVICE SERIOUSLY!

Make your own reservations for your trip. This is your own obligation for this convention. The Supreme Office, that is, Supreme Board cannot help at all this time and no Supreme Officer can be blamed if a delegate can not come to the convention or if the delegate misses it.

That is why we appeal to you to get your information now in regards to your trip. Any postponing of this may have serious consequences. Everyone must take care of this themselves for no one can help you.

At every convention we had guests who were very welcome. However, this time we would not advise them to attend. We fear there will not be enough railroad accommodations for the regular delegates, let alone the guests. Anyone who has done any traveling these days will readily agree with us. We are at war; and war conditions are responsible for this.

Once again let us remind you: Make your own reservations for railroad tickets at least one month before your trip. This should be done at the station from which you intend to leave. Inquire now as to when you must leave your city so you will positively be in the convention city on August 16th!

Janko N. Rogelj,

Supreme President;

Anton Zbasnik,

Supreme Secretary.

CAMPAIGN BULLETIN

Reported by Anton Zbasnik, Supreme Secretary

During the month of June our membership campaign made a pretty good showing. We acquired 295 new members in the juvenile department and 82 new members in the adult department making a total of 377 new members. Up to June 30th in this campaign we enrolled 747 members in the juvenile department and 295 in the adult department, a total of 1,042. Our goal was 1,000 members and we have already surpassed that number. The campaign is now in full swing and will conclude on July 25th. Judging by the reports which we received the last few days from our elected delegates and lodge officers, the month of July will be even more successful than last month; that is why I expect that we will enroll at least 1,500 new members in both departments before the end of the campaign. This can easily be accomplished if each Supreme Officer and delegate does his or her part.

Last week the following qualified for the convention honor badge: Supreme Trustee Matt Anzelc; the president of the Supreme Judiciary Committee Anton Okolish; Frances Lopp, secretary of Lodge No. 133, Gilbert, Minn.; Henry Mikec, delegate of Lodge No. 149, Strabane, Pa.; Ludwig Vidrick, secretary of Lodge No. 6, Lorain, Ohio; Valentin Marcina, treasurer and delegate of Lodge No. 18, Rock Springs, Wyo., and Raymond Kladnik, delegate of Lodge No. 76 and Lodge No. 167, Cle Elum, Wash.

I am expecting especially good news during July from Pittsburgh, Cleveland, Barberton, New York, Chicago (from Oblak), Conemaugh, Butte, Little Falls and more good news from Rock Springs.

AMERICAN FRATERNAL UNION

Founded July 18, 1898
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Slovene War Bond Rally Huge Success; Approximately \$1,000,000 Subscribed

The War Bond Rally, sponsored by the Slovenes in the 4th District of Cleveland, Ohio, Wednesday, June 28th, turned out to be a tremendous success. Despite the torrid weather, with the temperature hovering around the 100 mark, a capacity crowd gave evidence of a patriotic belief in their country and that they were "backing the attack."

Every individual who has some one in the service should clip this article and send it to them. It will make the boys and girls feel proud to know that those behind are in there pitching. The high calibre program, while lengthy, moved along in good order and was well received by the huge crowd. All due credit should go to the following individuals: Dr. Wm. J. Lausche, his daughter; Mary Udovic, Josephine Lausche-Welf, Emil Godla, Mil Kurschner, Alice Vidmar, Andrew Elersich, Edwin Poljsak, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Plut, Louis Belle, John J. Grdina, Elaine Serschel, Pete Srnick and his boys, Antoinette Simcic, his honor Mayor Frank Lausche, Carole Smole, Ray D. Love, Harry Winsor.

Helping out "behind the scenes" we had Barbara Fritchie, War Bond Headquarters, Mr. Anton Grdina, Felix Danton, Scoutmaster and his boys from Troop 250, Alma, Nada and Frank Zagar, Marge Smerdel, John Tavcar, Sec'y National Home, Joe and his wife, custodians of the Slovenian Home, the Directors of the Home, St. Vitus and St. George Churches, Enako, American Home, Bill Shelton, publicity director 4th district, Mary Krizmancic, Charlie Koman, Matt Debevec, Paul Schneller, Mrs. Albina Novak, John Gornik Sr., Janko Rogelj, Benno Leustig, Joe Surtz, John Susnik, Louis Slapnik, captains and volunteer workers of the drive, and last but not least, Heinie Martin Antonic, announcer on the Slovene Radio Hour.

Counting subscriptions of individuals in the audience who were going to purchase their bonds at the rally but had been signed prior to coming to the affair; subscriptions announced by Mr. John J. Grdina at the Rally and subscriptions received too late for announcement at the program, including one for \$500,000.00 from Perko & Zink and the \$18.75 that newsboy Sonny Arthur Fifolt, Euclid, Ohio had collected; the sum total should approximate the \$1,000,000.00 mark! A marvelous manifestation of how the Slovenes and individuals in

the 4th District are heeding the call of Uncle Sam during the 5th War Loan Drive.

It goes without saying that it takes many hands, each doing their bit, to sponsor a program of this nature. Considering the adverse weather, all individuals concerned deserve a great deal of credit. I know that none of them are looking for any pat on the back, they will feel their job was well done if YOU, the general public, will keep on subscribing for those EXTRA BONDS, during the 5th War Loan Drive and when it ends July 8th, display to the citizens of Cleveland as well as to the Nation, that the Slovenes are tops when it comes to answering the call of action.

J. F. Fifolt

Transport of Wounded to Cut Civilian Travel

New York — Representatives of the Office of Defense Transportation stated at a meeting of the Writers' War Board recently, that civilian travel is likely to be seriously interfered with when casualties from the invasion battles in France reach this country.

"These wounded men are going to be cared for," Charles Prins, national director of information for the ODT said, "at the expense of anyone else." It was made clear that there is no question of the ability of the railroads to handle the traffic of wounded, but it was made equally clear that civilians on non-essential journeys may expect frequent interruptions.

—Army Times

A man's greatest possession is his pride. Kill that and you destroy his desire to cooperate.

A good safety rule is: "A place for everything and everything in its place!"



NOW FOR THE BIG PUSH!



IT'S "ZERO HOUR" ON THE HOME FRONT, TOO!

THIS IS IT! This is the big push you have been waiting for! This is the "zero hour"! Our fighting men are ready—ready to strike anywhere... anytime... anyhow... BAR NOTHING!

buy is so much more power behind the big push... the push that will send Hitler and Tojo into oblivion.

Get behind the invasion drive! Invest MORE than ever before! Double... triple... what you've done in any previous drive. The job is big—you've got to dig!



Back the Attack! - BUY MORE THAN BEFORE

Jugoslavs Adopt, Valet Sgt. Robinson and Staff

Washington.—Sgt. Don Robinson and the rest of the 45th Division News' staff have won a reputation as the Army's champion scoundgers. Though their paper has come from presses in shelled and smouldering buildings the 45th reporters themselves have always made out all right.

In a "Report to the Editors" in the May 27th issue of the Saturday Evening Post, Demarcee Bess tells of Robinson's super achievements in Palermo.

"I happened to run into Sergeant Robinson in Palermo," recounts Mr. Bess.

"Well how are things going with you?" I asked.

"Swell," he assured me. "We're living in the lap of luxury."

Though the 45th's ability to shift for itself didn't surprise Mr. Bess, the sergeant's offer of a valet, who was "good at making speeches" did. Then he recalled a group of speechmaking Jugoslavs who had recently been freed from a concentration camp nearby.

"Do you mean to tell me those Jugoslavs are now serving as valets," he asked.

"The editor of the 45th Division News replied, 'We just ran into the poor devils one night in the blackout, and took them home with us, because there's plenty of room in the billets we got for ourselves here. We never asked them to do anything, but they just took over. We told them they could stay with us. And the next morning they announced they had resolved to adopt us. Now they won't let us do anything for ourselves any more. They've organized themselves into squads—a kitchen squad, a cleaning squad, and so on. They watch us like hawks, to make sure we don't do anything they could do for us. It's ridiculous. But hell the guys are happy.'"

—Army Times

To Honor Emma Lazarus

Emma Lazarus was born in New York City on July 22, 1849. A daughter of Spanish-Jewish immigrants, her brief life was dedicated to fighting the advocates of anti-Semitic pogroms and helping to make possible a better life in the United States for victims of European oppression.

Emma Lazarus wrote the immortal poem, "The New Colossus" part of which is inscribed on the base of the Statue of Liberty, in New York harbor. This was her contribution to the campaign to raise funds for the purchase of the pedestal on which the statue stands.

The inscription on the base of the statue has come to express for all mankind the American spirit of asylum and freedom.

On July 22 this year, special ceremonies will be held at the Statue of Liberty to pay tribute to the memory of Emma Lazarus and her work on behalf of the immigrant in the United States.

"Give me your tired, your poor, Your huddled masses yearning to breathe free, The wretched refuse of your teeming shore; Send these, the homeless, tempest-tost, to me, I lift my lamp beside the golden door."

—Emma Lazarus (from the inscription on the base of the Statue of Liberty).

GLOBAL FUNNY PAPERS

The Quartermaster Corps is now engaged in buying 6,750,000 magazines of "Overseas Comics" for Special Service Division to send to American troops all over the world.

"Overseas Comics" designed by the Special Services Division, incorporates many of the daily strips now running in American newspapers, including "Superman," "Lil Abner," "Terry and the Pirates," "Dick Tracy," and "Joe Palooka." It is printed in four colors on light-weight newsprint.

Still Chewing

Atlantic City, N. J. — Capt. James Starnas, here after service in the Pacific, tells this one on the New Guinea natives.

"I traded two sticks of gum for some native beads," he said. "The native trader gave the gum to his tribal chief, who popped them into his mouth. Then the chief gave the chewed gum back to the trader for his turn at it. After he finished, the chief went to his wife. They passed the same gum on through the tribe from one to another.

"They're probably chewing those two sticks of gum yet," he finished.

—Army Times

Would Make A Difference

"How old would a person be who was born in 1897?" "Man or woman?"

Insubordination—The corporal who put \$50 into War Bonds before the sergeant could get the black jack game started.

Juvenile Voices

ELY REVIEW
By Margaret M. Startz

Ely, Minn. — My cousin Sgt. Ralph J. Grahek sent me a beautiful heart-shaped locket he made from an Australian coin. On one side of the locket is the head of King George and on the other side a grown date and a red stone setting. It is my most precious possession and I will be proud and happy to wear it. My aunt, Sgt. Grahek's mother, Mrs. Joseph Grahek bought me a chain to go with it so I wish to thank both my cousin and aunt, very much. My cousin is in New Guinea and has not been home for over two years. Happy birthday, Sgt. Ralph!

June is drawing to a close as I write this and soon the 4th of July will be here. I hope all you juveniles will have a nice holiday in spite of war clouds overhead. We must remember that we are still free and I hope this freedom will stay with us throughout the years. Our boys are dying on the battlefields so that you and I may continue to have freedom. We still have the freedom of the press and can express ourselves; we can still listen to the radio without fear. These are things which children under Hitler can not do. We still have enough food and although we are separated from our loved ones who have gone to war, we can still enjoy all a free nation's advantages for which I am very thankful.

Miss Amalija Ule will graduate this month from the School of Modelling at Minneapolis and will receive her instruction diploma. She is a member of the Twin Cities Model's Guild. She has done various types of modelling such as fashion shows, commercial photographs and motion pictures. She is a graduate of a school of designing.

I have been having some very enjoyable times with my friends at Shagawa Beach which is a very pleasant place to spend the warm summer afternoons.

Regina Pavlich of Soudan visited us yesterday. She will give a reading for the Tower and Soudan cities 4th of July program.

I will be saying so long until next week, folks, and don't forget to "back the attack" by buying more War Bonds!

Did You Know That

Booby traps are not strictly a product of World War II as the Continental Army set one up here in 1777 to wreck British shipping. The trap, called a stockade, was found by Army Engineers dredging the Delaware just off the New Jersey shore. A wooden crib, 30 feet long and 20 feet wide, it was weighted down with boulders and fitted with long iron spikes just below the surface to pierce the hulls of wooden ships.

It was never used, though, because a traitor tipped the Redcoats off about it.

Allied plane production is now more than three times that of the Axis.

What's in a Name

Thunderbolt pilots are taking a ribbing from Lightning pilots because a dictionary was found which defined thunderbolt as: "A large crash of noise, causing no damage, immediately following a bolt of lightning."



Ration Chart:

Sugar stamps No. 30, No. 31 and No. 32 are valid indefinitely for five pounds of sugar. Sugar stamp No. 40 is valid for five pounds of canned sugar through February 28, 1944.

Meats, Fats Red stamps A8 through W9 are now valid indefinitely.

Processed Fruits and Vegetables Blue stamps A8 through W9 are now valid indefinitely. Last week Blue stamps W8 through Z8 were made good indefinitely.

Gasoline In the 17 States of the eastern shortage area, A-10 coupons remain valid through August 31. In States outside the eastern shortage area, A-11 coupons expire June 21. A-12 coupons come valid on June 22 and remain valid through September 21.

Fuel Oil Period 4 and 5 coupons remain valid in all areas through September 30. New period 1 coupons may be used immediately upon receiving them from Boards.

Shoes Airplane stamps No. 1 and No. 2 in Book Three remain valid indefinitely.



Fans for Essential Needs

WPB announces that 1,000,000 electric fans will be produced. None will be available for home use. The fans, which will be the 12 and 16-inch portable type, will be sufficient only for hospitals, institutions, and industrial plants, and industrial plants.

Keep Telephone Lines Open for Servicemen and Women

When the long distance operators says, "Please limit your calls to five minutes," it means that your call is of utmost importance.

Rubber Boots Ration Certificates:

Ration certificates for rubber boots and rubber shoes are good indefinitely. The supply has announced. They were limited to 30 days.

Save Your Shoe Coupons

If baby is going to need a pair of shoes, save his coupon. The supply experts of WPB say that rationing must continue at least for the rest of the year or until "there is a marked improvement in the supply."

BLOOD FIGHTS FIRES

Blood fights fires in a fire-control agent used by the Navy. Animal blood (from the nation's abattoirs (slaughterhouses) is chemically treated to increase its foaming qualities. Preservatives and glycerol-freeze are added, after which the container is connected to a high-pressure water system. Foam issues from the nozzle, floats on burning surfaces and smothers it like a blanket.



TURN IN YOUR USED KITCHEN-FATS TO HELP MAKE PLASTICS AND SPECIAL LUBRICANTS

