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CAVE HOME ON VISIT

Richard Cave, first class Navy radio technician, is home from the South Pacific visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Cave of 2115 W. 238th st., Torrance. Cave, a Narbonne graduate, has four stars for service in major battles and the good conduct ribbon. He will leave this weekend for Chicago, where he is to take further studies in radio work.

According to D. C. Rhodes, field engineer for the Automobile Club of Southern California, 30 percent of the signposting work for the period Jan. 1 to June 30 this year was devoted directly to assisting the home-front war effort.

DIGEST OF WAR MANPOWER PRIORITY PLAN

A digest of the Southern California employment stabilization plan which was revised on July 1, 1944, to extend priority referrals has been provided by Manager K. E. Bradley of the Torrance War Manpower Commission office.

Containing advice for both the employer and employee, the digest explains the revisions of the employment stabilization plan which were made to adapt to local conditions new national regulations affecting employment of male workers. Control of employment ceilings and priority referral of male workers make up the most important features of the plan.

Purposes of the Plan: To channel available male labor to jobs of highest importance to the war effort; to hold to a minimum job changing in essential industries; to break war production bottlenecks so that our boys may be brought home from the fighting fronts at the earliest possible date.

Priority Referral Plan Summary: Most male workers may be hired by employers of eight or more workers only by referral by U.S.E.S. or authorized agency. Most women may be hired direct but statements of availability still are required for leaving or making essential jobs. Men leaving less-essential jobs must have U.S.E.S. referral to be hired by firms with eight or more employees.

Employment Ceiling Plan Summary: Most employers with four or more employees may not hire more workers than the highest number on the payroll in October, 1943, nor more male workers than employed June 15, 1944.

How Priority Referral Works: The U.S.E.S. must unions with hiring hall arrangements and many high priority firms with 100 or more workers may issue referral cards; the firms may refer workers only to themselves. This arrangement is to relieve the load upon U.S.E.S. offices. Job applicants are exposed to jobs in the order of their importance to the war effort with consideration given each applicant's highest skill and his most closely related skill. He has a wide choice of jobs and every consideration is given such factors as salary, transportation problems and personal hardship. A worker who arbitrarily refuses an excessive number of suitable jobs is penalized by being restricted permanently against working in anything except a high priority job.

Women and the Priority Referral Plan: Very few women are affected. The status of women under the new plan is not changed in any respect. Both men and women, since Oct. 15, 1943, have been subject to priority referral if (1) they are

in-migrants, (2) if they have critical skills; (3) if from agriculture, (4) if from mining, smelting, lumbering and refining industries. Women not in these classes must have statements of availability for taking or leaving essential jobs.

Students, Teachers, Veterans, Domestic: Students under 18 and teachers are exempted from priority referral and ceiling regulations for vacation employment in essential industries. Honorably discharged veterans of World War I have free choice of jobs for 60 days after discharge. Blanket exemption is given hiring by agricultural employers, schools and of domestics for service in private homes.

Employment Ceiling Exemptions: In computing their employment ceilings, employers do not include students and teachers (working during vacations), World War II veterans' part-time workers (employed 26 hours or less a week), formally indentured apprentices, handicapped persons given specific U.S.E.S. exemption, casual workers (employed for a predetermined period of less than seven days), workers on leave for more than two weeks, military personnel working on leave with Commanding Officer's permission.

Rating: Restrictions against hiring of workers in essential jobs remain in the plan. Employers are not to publish wage rates or otherwise advertise for workers in a manner likely to cause unnecessary and harmful job changing and give notice to the effect that persons already in essential jobs are not wanted.

Discrimination: The plan requires that hiring shall be done without discrimination as to race, color, creed, sex, national origin or, except as required by law, citizenship.

Appeals: Any employer or worker may appeal any action of the War Manpower Commission. Such appeals are filed with the U.S.E.S. office serving the employer or worker involved.

Cool Weather Adds Problems To Gardeners

Did you ever think of a plant as being kind of a blotting paper on one end and an evaporator on the other? The blotting paper extracts moisture from the soil and the evaporator gives off water into the atmosphere, a process called "transpiration." The whole action might be called "water use."

The rate of water use will depend upon the size of the plants, the dryness of the atmosphere and the amount of wind and on the availability of water in the soil. In cool, damp weather the plant can get the required amount of water easily and one irrigation of the soil will last three or four days.

In warm humid weather the rate of use may increase by five and in real hot dry weather a plant can transpire into the air ten or twelve times as much moisture as it will use in cool weather. It really "goes to town!"

It's up to the "master of the garden" to regulate the amount and frequency of irrigation to take care of plant needs. Irrigate more frequently in hot dry weather and less frequently in the cool weather.

Tomato Troubles
This is "an every gardener's problem." The most common tomato disease is spotted wilt. Tips and new growth will become spotted and the plant develops a wilted appearance. By holding a leaf to the light a series of small one-eighth inch diameter circles can be seen. The center of these circles turn yellowish and then a purplish black. In the meantime general leaf curling over the plant will have developed. (Don't confuse a natural curling of Pearson variety.)

As the number of spots on each leaf increases and the number of affected leaves becomes greater, tip growth will be dwarfed and black streaks may or may not appear in the top of the plant. Plants may seem to actually get smaller. Early in the season the whole plant may soon die but by August plants will be larger and will linger a long while and may survive. Fruit will be distorted and will be mottled with red and yellow and sometimes green coloration.

There is no cure. The best preventive is first, don't set any tomato plants in the garden until warm weather of mid-May. Up to that time control thrips on all types of garden vegetables and surrounding ornamentals as thoroughly as possible with nicotine sulphate spray or dust. The reason is thrips are the only known means of natural transmission from one plant to the other—from any one of 200 or 300 kinds of weeds or ornamentals to your tomatoes—and you probably won't be able to see evidence of the diseases on the weeds, they're too tough.

no control, then what? The answer is pull them out and destroy them. The same treatment goes for plants affected with tobacco mosaic (characterized by very short stubby thickened terminal leaves and stems) or "fern leaf or shoe string" mosaic (the appearance self-explanatory) or curly top virus (a very tight rolling of nearly all leaves on a plant together with definite purple color more intense along the veins). After any of these diseases appear on the tomato plant nothing can be done. Pull out the affected plants and replant up to August. Early August plantings will grow rapidly and should fruit in October.

Tomato Blossom Drop
Another "every gardener problem!" Pollination of tomatoes is closely associated with temperatures, particularly night temperatures. Among experts and commercial growers it is an accepted fact that only few will "set" when night temperatures are below 60°. Watering during blooming is falsely accused of this responsibility.

So far this year (July 21, 1944) the United States Weather Bureau offices in Burbank and Pomona have not recorded one single 60° night temperature and at the Los Angeles ground station there has been but one 60° minimum. All other night tem-

Cartridges Take Place of Checkers



During leisure moments between duty periods these U. S. Army Signal Corps men at Saldor, New Guinea, play checkers. But they're using rifle cartridges instead of wooden discs on an improvise board. Later they'll hurl these bullets at Japs.

Cpl. John Denney July 30 Is 2nd Engine Mechanic In Air Force

Cpl. John T. Denney, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hershel Denney of 114 El Redondo, Redondo Beach, husband of Mary Denney of Box 304, King City, Calif., is now serving as an engine overhaul mechanic in the maintenance section of the largest Air Service Command depot in Britain.

He is one of thousands at this depot where America's fighters and bombers are assembled, modified and repaired to support our Allied armies battling in France.

Before entering the Air Forces in September, 1942, he was employed as a truck driver by the National Supply Company in Torrance, Calif. Cpl. Denney attended engine overhaul school at McClellan Field, Calif.

More than 235 tons of medical, laboratory and general hospital supplies were sent by air transport into China by the American Red Cross between November of 1943 and May of 1944.

temperatures have ranged down to the low 50s, with a sprinkling of 48s!

No wonder tomatoes won't set! Knocking the stakes or jarring the plants by a light tapping once a week (a gentle shake is too gentle!) will often cause pollination. A small piece of fur rubbed across blossoms will gather pollen from one and carry it to another. Hand pollination will be a great factor in getting fruit in cool weather!

Anniversary of U.S. Navy Waves

Sunday, July 30, marks the second anniversary of the creation of the Women's Reserve of the United States Navy by Act of Congress.

Members of the Women's Reserve are popularly known as WAVES. This contraction stands for "Women Appointed for Voluntary Emergency Service."

Since the establishment of WAVES more than 70,000 of America's finest young women have volunteered for service with the Navy.

WAVES are paid and rated the same as Navy men and perform 250 different types of jobs. Entitled to all the privileges of men in the armed forces under the provision of the Veterans' Administration, starting pay of a WAVES seaman is not \$50 a month but, counting food and quarters, actually \$141.50 a month. With uniforms provided, free medical and dental care, special tax exemptions, low cost insurance, and other special privileges, WAVES actually earn more than many women drawing higher salaries in civilian life.

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Cpl. Donald Lewis Again Wounded In Pacific Area

Cpl. Donald C. Lewis, brother of Mrs. W. R. Lewis of Torrance and Mrs. Nell Cramer of Lomita, was wounded in action in the South Pacific invasion of Blak Island, but was to return to duty about July 1.

War Department dispatches of the casualty have just come through, but the members of his family said that the corporal, who in August of 1943 was decorated with the Order of the Purple Heart and the Silver Star for wounds received in the Solomons, had written that he had been wounded about May 29 and was to return to duty early this month.

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