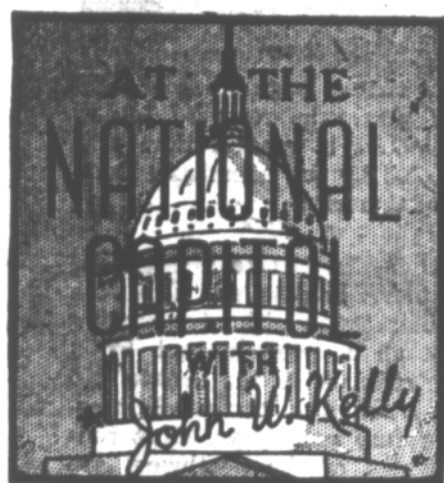


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Washington, D.C., April 5.—On the desk of President Roosevelt in the White house lies his latest plan for reorganization ready to be sent to congress. It is as full of trouble as can be. Unless a change has been made (there is a dispute on this) another attempt is proposed to give Secretary of the Interior Ickes control of the national forests. With millions of acres of forest land in Oregon and Washington, such a transfer would affect the Pacific northwest more than any other section of the country.

Secretary Ickes wants control of all the national forests, but will compromise on taking large chunks for "recreational purposes." This would mean creating more national parks. Western senators blocked the transfer last year, but Ickes has not surrendered his desire—he has been telling the Isaac Walton league how much better the forests would be under his management.

Next is a proposal to transfer Rural Electrification administration from the department of agriculture (which now controls the national forests) to the care of Ickes. Here is another matter of personal interest to the people of the northwest, where thousands of miles of wire are being built and thousands of rural customers are looking to REA. Mr. Ickes wants control of REA because he is handling the power from Bonneville, Grand Coulee, Boulder Dam, and will sell power from Fort Peck and Shasta dams.

Washington's share of national forest receipts for 1939 was \$124,273, and Oregon received \$153,255. Of the individual national forests Malheur in Oregon reported the largest income and the 25 percent returnable to the counties within its boundaries was \$65,000. Second largest income was from Olympic in Washington with \$46,883 returned to the counties.

Of 667 counties entitled to receive a share of the revenue from national forests Grant county in Oregon received the top—\$49,500; Jefferson county, Wash., received \$21,400; Callam county, Wash., \$15,000; Whatcom county \$13,000. Oregon counties receiving more than \$10,000 were: Deschutes \$12,400; Klamath \$12,000; Lane \$10,400; Yakima county, Wash. \$10,900. The figures give an idea of the importance of the national forests in these two states alone.

Oregon now has the largest migratory bird refuge in the United States, if not in the world. The home ranch of the late Bill Hanley, pioneer cattle king of central Oregon, was purchased last week and added to the Malheur reserve (the old "P" ranch of Peter French). The Hanley ranch is 14,000 acres and the price paid was \$118,000, or \$8.40 an acre, which is more than the rule for land for refuge purposes, but the warm springs gave added value. At the same time the migratory bird committee paid \$44,000 for 20,000 acres to expand Hart mountain antelope reserve.

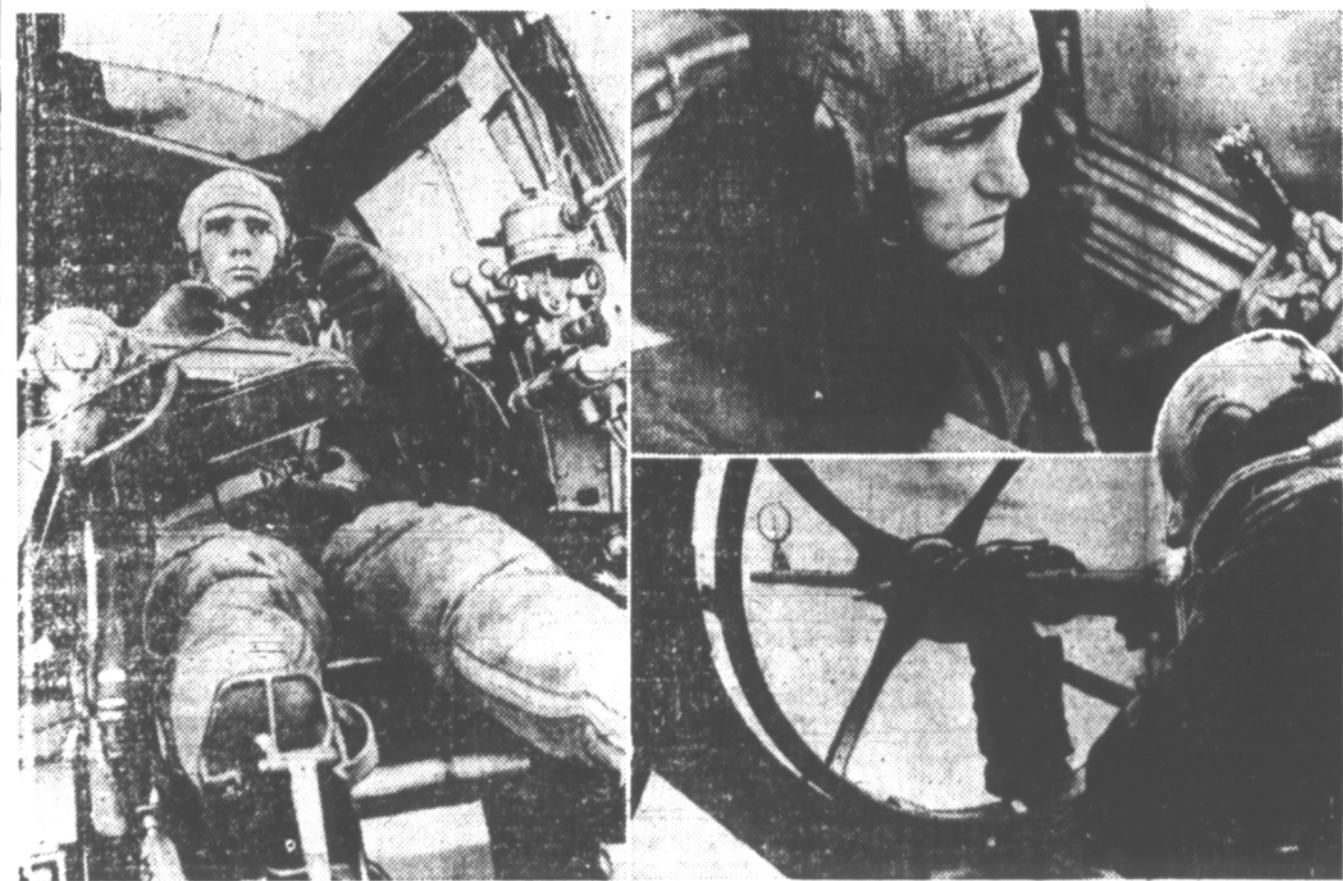
Provided the house will consent to a proposal from the senate, \$4,000,000 will be available to buy dried prunes by Federal Surplus Commodity corp. The proposal is for \$20,000,000 for purchase of apples, pears, raisins and prunes and the allocation for prunes has been planned if the twenty million appropriation is voted. This is \$13,000,000 more than was on hand to buy these articles last year. The fruit will be distributed by the blue food stamp system.

Over the objection of the president, who ordered some 300 CCC camps abandoned, enough money is being voted to retain all of the existing camps. Only criticism made against the camps on the floor during debate was that overhead is too much; there are too many high salaried people in hundreds of camps, political appointments.

No contract has been signed yet, but an eastern industry has been.

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German Bombers in Action Over Enemy Territory



Typical of the men who pilot Germany's huge bombing planes are these three men pictured, according to the Nazi censor, by fellow members of the bomber's crew. Left: A youthful pilot at the controls of one of the Reich's flying fortresses. Top right: To sustain them on their long raiding and reconnaissance flights to England, German fliers eat a concentrated food that is highly nutritious. This pilot eats his scientifically prepared pemmican on the wing. Right bottom: An unusual picture showing the gunner sighting along the muzzle of his machine gun during a raid.

Miss Kunsman Returns With County Plaque

Miss Marjorie Kunsman, county chairman of the Christmas seal sale in Sherman county, was in Bend Tuesday and Wednesday to attend a meeting of the tuberculosis association at which time she was presented with the plaque signifying that this county had bought the largest per capita number of seals during the last three campaigns.

In addition to the plaque the cup was also given to this county. The plaque, inscribed with the name of the county and the three years supremacy given for, is on display at the Journal office. Sale of seals in this county was 15.7 per capita, one of the largest in the entire United States.

Cribs Given Five Years By Judge

Larry Cribbs, who was caught after breaking into the pool hall at Grass Valley a few days ago, was sentenced Friday by Judge Carl Hendricks to five years in the state penitentiary. Sheriff Wilson and Deputy Roy Wells took Cribbs to Salem Saturday.

Hendricks had sentenced Cribbs before from Gilliam county to a sentence of three years.

County Court Orders Pump

Delegations of citizens wanting to interview the county court and salesmen took up most of the morning hours of the Wednesday session. Mrs. A. L. Woods and Mrs. Estella Dillinger asked for a change in roads, salesmen wanted to sell road machinery and pump equipment and insurance.

Only definite success was made by one salesman for equipment to put in the well at the fair grounds. The court agreed to buy a pump and 3HP motor designed to pump 16 gallons per minute from the well. As soon as the army pump is removed the county's well will be installed.

In the afternoon the court met the fair board and made preliminary plans for the fair. The alkali spots on the back stretch of the track are to be dug out and filled with other earth. The caretaker will be paid on an hourly basis instead of by the month although he will continue to live at the grounds.

HEALTH OFFICER SAYS NO

Dr. Poley, health officer, has said that no animal matter can be taken to the city dump yard as it is dangerous to the public health. It is expected that the council will back up his ruling at the next meeting.

Breakfast Club Sponsoring Clean-up Day

The clean-up day committee of the Breakfast club had its report accepted at the Wednesday morning meeting which means that committees named therein will be responsible for the work outlined on April 16, Tuesday.

The general objective will be the cleaning and general improvement of the city park. Whitewashing trees (and citizens not actively participating in the work) will be done also.

Specifically the group will paint and clean the rest rooms, build a bridge across the creek, build two outdoor stoves, plant more lawn and improve the playground facilities in the park.

Balsiger Again Marshall

Wendell Balsiger, who made his reputation last year, will again act as marshal of the day or Chief Agitator. Prexy Updegraff is on the committee as a whole and project leaders and their slaves are as follows:

Rest Room Renovators, Dr. Poley, chairman, Paul May, Howard Conlee, J. F. Foss.

Lawn Levelers, J. B. Adams, chairman, Oveson, Nelson, G. Douma, Wilson, Cochran, Wright, T. Johnston, Belanger, Henderson.

Bridge Builders Harry Kunsman chairman, McKee, French, Conlee Hoskinson, Hennagin, Les Johnson, Hollinshead.

Stove Stovefagons, Stub Searcy, chairman, Raymond, T. Thompson, Ritner, Gilmore, Strong, Ruggles, Peetz, Cunliff.

White Washers, Mel Schadewitz chairman, Lockhart, Blake, Belknap, Elmes, Truitt, Melzer, Bucholtz, Woods.

Playground Projectors, Knighten chairman, Sparling, McKean, Peters, Sayrs, Sayrs, Sayrs, W. Thompson, Brisbane, M. Douma, Platt.

Lunch by the Woman's club.

Ladies Aides: D. Thompson and McLeod.

The breakfast club will be held on the morning of April 16 instead of the 17.

Wasco Cooking School Attracts

Approximately two hundred women enjoyed the General Electric Cooking school sponsored by George B. Moon at Wasco Wednesday. Door prizes awarded went to the following ladies: Mrs. R. Lockhart of Moro, electric iron; Mrs. L. J. Cope, Moro, pin-it-up lamp; Martha Ginn of Rufus, electric toaster; Mrs. H. Dutton, Wasco, \$10. credit on range or refrigerator; Mrs. A. Shearer, Wasco, \$5. credit on water heater or washer. Food prizes were given to Mrs. Leon Smith, Donna Knox Mrs. F. M. Crews, Mrs. Eldon Neasham Mrs. E. P. Rich and Mrs. Fred Cole of Wasco, Catherine Tom of Rufus, Mrs. Collis Moore and Mrs. Earl Gentry of Moro.

Freight Rates Expected To Be Permitted

Delegation Enlists Support Of Governor Sprague; Meets With Commissioner

A delegation of men from Gilliam, Morrow and Sherman counties conferred with O. R. Bean, public utilities commissioner, Friday afternoon to present to him the reasons why grain growers in these three counties feel that the proposed rail rates on grain should not be suspended or postponed.

The rates have been protested by the Barnard Truck Co., Shaver Forwarding Co., Willamette Tariff Bureau and the Washington Property Owners association of Seattle.

These rates, which affect shipping from the branch line points in these counties, will permit savings of over \$12,000 on wheat already in storage and of over \$70,000 in the average years' crop according to figures compiled by grain growers organizations.

In addition to meeting with Mr. Bean and John H. Carlin, in charge of rail transportation, the group formulated and sent letters to the Interstate Commerce Commission, which will deal with the interstate part of the rates and to the congressional delegation from this part of the state.

Saturday they called on Governor Sprague who offered his support in obtaining the lowered rate and promised to notify the IOC of his position if such a move seemed to be advisable after conference with the Oregon commissioner.

No Suspension Expected

According to those who made the trip it appears that there will be no suspension of the new rates which means that grain can be shipped from Sherman county points for 1.8 cents per bushel less and from Gilliam and Morrow points for 1.2 cents per bushel less after April 5. This is expected to stimulate sale of grain for some sales have been delayed because of the anticipated rate reduction.

Those who appeared before the commissioner were: George Peck and G. J. Ryan of Morrow county, Carroll Barker, George Webb, Gus Carlson, Lloyd Smith and Hollis Bull of Gilliam county and A. A. Dunlap, Wendell Balsiger, J. B. Adams, Joe Peters and Giles French of Sherman county.

Dorothy Fraser has received an appointment as assistant in the landscape architecture department at the University of Oregon for next year, her work beginning at the end of this term.

Roy Ritner Among Last Filers For Office; In Congressional Race

By A. L. Lindbeck

Salem, Ore. April 4.—The deadline for primary election filings Monday afternoon found a total of 419 candidates lined up at the barrier and 'rarin' to go in the biennial nominating race that will end with the closing of the voting booths on May 17.

Of these voters for public service 233 are Republicans 154 are Democrats and 32 are non-partisan candidates for judicial positions on the circuit and supreme bench of the state.

Total filings this year are just six below the record of two years ago, according to David O'Hara, chief of the elections division in the secretary of state's office.

Several surprises featured the last minute rush to get under the wire before the doors were closed to filings. Leslie M. Scott of Portland, former chairman of the state highway commission, entered the race for the republican nomination for state treasurer, getting his declaration in just under the wire. Last week Scott had declared himself out of the race. Then Saturday there were reports that he was reconsidering his decision and might change his mind. Monday morning reports had it that he had decided to stay out and then came his formal declaration ending further speculation as to his intentions. Scott's entry makes the republican race a three cornered affair with Earl Hill, Cushman merchant and veteran Lane county legislator, and Floyd J. Cook,

Hitchman, Portland and Emily F. Portland insurance man already in the running.

On the democratic side of the ticket Lyman Ross, state senator from Washington county, found himself with competition in the race for the democratic nomination for state treasurer in the person of A. L. Brown of Portland a dark horse entry whose filings reached the desk just before closing time.

Two hitherto unmentioned congressional aspirants also made their appearance on the political scene Monday when Roy Ritner of Pendleton filed for the republican nomination for congress from the second congressional district in opposition to Rex Ellis, also from Umatilla county, and Kenneth A. Brown of Gervais declared himself in on the republican race in the first district in opposition to the veteran James W. Mott who is seeking another term.

One of the most interesting contests in the forthcoming campaign is expected to center around the republican race for national committeeman with five candidates entered, namely Ralph H. Cake, Milton Klepper, Arthur M. Geary of Portland; Thurlow Weed of Beaverton and Charles Paine of Eugene. In the democratic camp Howard Latourette will be opposed by Flavell Temple, both of Portland for this high party honor.

Four women are competing for the post of democratic committee woman—Eva Nelson, Pendleton, Celia Gavin, The Dalles; Nora

Jack vonBorstel Wins Second In Contest

Jackie vonBorstel son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank vonBorstel of Kent placed second in the third annual national high school oratorical contest sponsored by the American Legion for the eastern Oregon district. The contest was held in The Dalles, March 25.

Winner of the contest was Dick Johnson of Ontario, who was coached by Prof. Leonard, formerly of Wasco. Young vonBorstel was coached by Mrs. Poley and Willy Knighten.

The winner vied with three other district winners in Oregon for the right to try for the national title which will be given at the Boston Massachusetts convention this fall.

Teachers Meet; Hear Poling

Sherman county members of the Oregon State Teachers association met at the Moro Hotel Tuesday evening for dinner and to hear D. V. Poling of the state department of higher education speak.

Business of the meeting included the report of the secretary-treasurer, Patricia Cyphers and the joint report of the delegates to the state convention at Portland. Misses Jean Ackerson and Mary Alice Burns co-operated in giving the committee reports and a resume of the speeches.

Ray Jewel, president, introduced the speakers. Willy Knighten spoke on some of the aspects of the county school law and R. G. Cunliff gave the committee report on the coming music festival.

Dr. Poling, long a favorite with audiences in this region, told of the advantages of the unified system of higher education in this state and told of his recent trip to Klamath county where he found a superior type of education at system with vocational training being given in the grade schools as well as in the high schools so those children who do not go on to school may be prepared for successfully handling a job on graduation.

He told teachers of their need for learning about themselves and taking time out to consider their place in the world. Education, he said, makes people tolerant and analytical. One's name must express his individuality as it originally did; one's age is not so much a matter of years as of interests, one lives where his thoughts are; and one's worth depends on his courage, his honesty, his courtesy.

He quoted Josh Billings to the effect that one need not believe many things but should believe some things sincerely. Believing too much makes it necessary to believe many things that may not be true.

COUNTY AGENT'S NOTES

A crew of men working under the county agent are now checking the acreage of seeded land on the farms of the county so that the owners thereof may receive the parity payment for leaving certain acreage out of production of wheat. The payment this year will be ten cents per allotted bushel and is expected to begin arriving in May.

Millard Eakin has given a scholarship to the summer school at Corvallis for the 4-H boy or girl with the Sherman county bred Shorthorn beef calf winning the highest placing at the fair next fall.

Grant Perry extension specialist in soil conservation, Millard Rodman and Charley Smith were here Friday to look over the threshing fallow methods being used here on wheat farms and on the government SCS plots.

L. E. Harris, extension specialist in farm crops, and the county agent will conduct experiments on two plots of ground to try the new chemical, Sinox, recommended as a killer of annual weeds. It is said to kill all broad leaved weeds without injury to wheat.

A wheat, barley and oat nursery was planted Thursday of last week on the David Reid farm near Rufus by Bob Henderson of the experiment station staff and LeRoy Wright, county agent.

Each of the three granges in the county have voted to give a scholarship to 4-H club workers who are outstanding at the fair, in keeping record books and in the sheep project.

Entries Close For Primary Nominating Race

Not All Places filled By Local Candidates; Some Unopposed

The end of the period for filing for office for party candidates ended Monday night at five o'clock without a full quota of office seekers listed on the books at the clerk's office.

For the county commissionership now filled by David Reid no one has filed but Mr. Reid, a republican in the last year of his first term. If elected he promises to give equal representation to all parts of the county which means that the Shearer's grade road will be improved soon. This has been a matter for contention for the past year.

The sheriff's office has more contestants than any other in this county with the incumbent, C. C. Wilson democrat from Rufus, wanting it again and Walter Eaton, democrat from Wasco wanting the nomination on that ticket. Eaton, not well known so far, is a son of Nathan Eaton, is aged 45 and has been driving school bus into Wasco.

On the republican side Harry O. Kunsman is the only contestant for the honor of representing the party in the race.

For the clerk's job each party has one candidate who will fight it out in November. Deputy Sheriff Ross Ornduff, democrat, is after the job held by Joe Truitt, who has been clerk for the past term.

No one has filed in either party against Margaret W. Peetz county assessor since 1924. She is a Republican.

Knighten Unopposed

Willy Knighten has no opposition in the race to succeed himself as county school superintendent.

E. M. Alley of Grass Valley is after the Republican nomination for county coroner and as no one has filed against him or on the Democratic side his election is fairly well assured.

Although T. Lester Johnson, as county attorney has a state office he must be elected by the people of this county. No one has filed against him in either his own democratic party or the republican.

To be elected this year also is a state senator from this, the 18th senatorial district. W. H. Steiwer of Fossil is the only candidate for the position which he has held for two terms. He represents Sherman, Gilliam and Wheeler counties.

For the 22nd representative district, comprising Sherman, Gilliam, Wheeler and Morrow counties two state representatives must be chosen. E. R. Fatland, speaker of the house last session did not file. Giles French, the other incumbent, is in the race as is E. Harvey Miller of Lexington a farmer and former president of the Eastern Oregon Wheat League. On the democratic ticket is Charles E. McElligott of Ione, also from Morrow county.

No filings were made for county committeemen or committeewomen in either party.

Safety Talk Heard By Club

Several guests were present at the Breakfast club meeting among them being J. F. Kerrick of the safety division who talked on the safety program saying that there were three factors to blame for the accidents on the highways: the cars, the highways, the drivers. Of these the first two are seldom at fault and the human element is the one to improve.

Most of the fatal accidents are caused by drivers who have never before had an accident and while long safe driving records are excellent they do not assure perpetual safety.

He showed a picture dealing with testing of drunken drivers and explained how newly found tests enable police officers to tell whether a man is actually under the influence or not.

A group from The Dalles asked the club to sponsor an entry in the parade to be a part of the Fourth of July celebration to be given in that city this year.