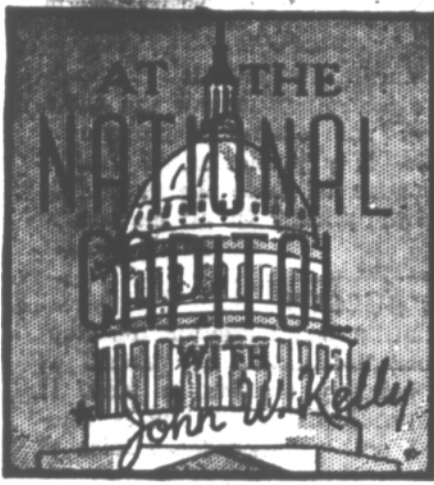


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Washington D. C. April 18 — Pulp and paper mills in Oregon and Washington will soon feel the effect of the German invasion of the Scandinavian countries and the publishers of newspapers will probably be touched in the pocket book. There has long been a substantial importation of wood pulp and newsprint from the countries now a battleground (Finnish exports to the United States were so profitable that Finland was able and willing to pay its war debt), and with the seas mined and a tight blockade the supply of wood pulp and newsprint is shut off.

This phase of war throws the burden of providing pulp and paper on the domestic mills. For the first time in years the domestic mills are not faced with foreign competition in the home market. There are many mills in the northwest, giving employment to several thousand workers. Last year the union of workers took the initiative in asking members of the Washington and Oregon delegations to curb the influx of foreign pulp and newsprint; asked that a quota be established, for the union did not take the position that no pulp should be admitted. Usually mill operators would seek the curb on competition, but with the Oregon and Washington mills the request came from the workers, who argued that the less pulp imported the more employment for mill hands.

Along the coast from Coos Bay to Puget Sound, on the west side of the Cascades, government officials say is one of the ideal areas for pulp and paper manufacture, with an inexhaustible source of raw material. This is the territory which will be benefited by curtailment of imports from Scandinavia until peace is restored in Europe—whenever that may be.

Rather than meet certain defeat, President Roosevelt did not include in his latest reorganization plan the transfer of the forest service from the department of agriculture to the department of interior. A few days ago, however, Steve Early, presidential secretary, sounded out western senators to learn whether their opposition would extend to the president carving out chunks of the national forests and turning these over to Secretary Ickes for recreational purposes—making them into national parks and primitive areas. Mr. Early was advised any such transfer would be bitterly fought by every senator from the Pacific coast.

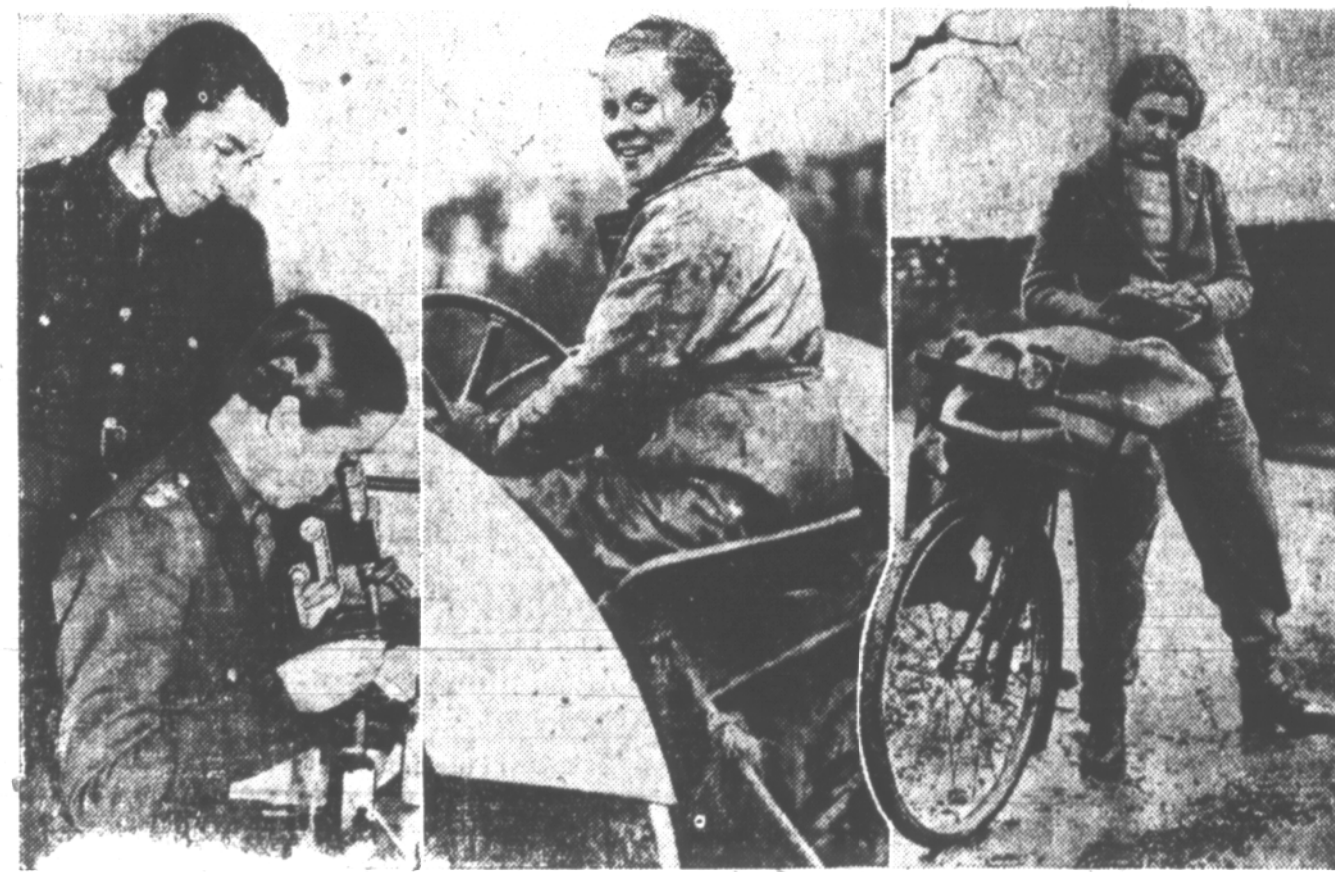
Rep. James W. Mott, Oregon who championed increase of funds to retain all OCC camps, thinks less highly of the National Resources Planning board, of which Frederic Delano, the president's uncle, is chairman. Mr. Mott denounced the board as the most useless and wasteful agency in the government, but he failed to prevent \$700,000 being given to it after the president had made a personal appeal.

Wheat export subsidies are limited to the Pacific northwest, the department of agriculture states, and these exports should take care of the surplus in that area. Exports with subsidies are for the Philippines, China and Hong Kong and, on a conservative basis, to Europe. The plan does not contemplate extending wheat export program to include Central America, although requests have been made for such inclusion.

Because of the construction of Bonneville dam and a break in the Celilo canal, a claim of \$358, 185 against the government is filed by A. V. Allen and the Columbia Boat and Barge System, Ltd. Mr. Allen says that he organized and was operating a barge system to take wheat from the upper Columbia down stream when a wall in Celilo canal broke, making the canal impassable. Senator McNary arranged for funds to have the break repaired immediately as

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They Also Serve: British Women Aid in Defense



Because the men of England are occupied with a war, women are being pressed into service to a greater time in military history than women have filled these roles. Center: Plowgirl Thelma Bowman is one of four women who banded together to reclaim unused farmland. Miss Bowman was a former tap dancer. One of the other four was a mannequin, one a stenographer, and the fourth an advertising woman. Right: Miss Rosemary Smith, 16, has taken over the postman's job in Glynde, England, while he is at the front.

Final Check
On Voters Made
For Primary

Final registration of voters for the primaries to be held May 17 has been made and the poll books cleared of surplus names. The total number of voters eligible to cast ballots is now 1289 of which 770 are Republicans and 510 are Democrats. There are nine voters of other complexion.

How Precincts Stand

Precinct	Rep.	Dem.
Rufus	66	75
Locust Grove	47	52
Klondike	44	47
Monkland	61	28
Rutledge	36	9
Kent	100	38
Grass Valley	119	80
Moro	184	106
Wasco	113	75

Typing Contest
Has Peculiarity

The Sherman county typing contest was held at the Moro school house Wednesday afternoon. In the division of first year typists Donald Olds of Grass Valley won first by writing a total of 43 words per minute in the regular fifteen minute contest. The second year typist who proved the best in the county was Kenneth Blau of Wasco who made 39 words a minute. It is an odd fact that the first year class winner made a higher score than the best of the second year group.

L. D. May Dies
At Grass Valley

L. D. May, resident of Sherman county for most of the last forty years, died at his home near Grass Valley Monday night from a heart attack. Mr. May had not been well for several weeks and had been under a doctor's care. He had eaten dinner on the couch and as Mrs. May cleared up the dishes he gently breathed his last with out pain or struggle.

He was born at Harodsville, Indiana, October 16, 1858, being 81 years of age at the time of his death. He was married February 7, 1884 to Emma Grace Coffey and had recently celebrated the 56th anniversary of that event.

Five children are living from that union, Mrs. Guy Boyer of John Day, Major Thomas E. May of the Presidio, San Francisco, Cal Mrs. A. M. Zevely of Grass Valley, Mrs. A. E. Brandt of Washington D. C. and Wallace May of Grass Valley. Eleven grand children survive as do one brother, Andy of Hermiston and a sister, Mrs. Emma Barnheart of Solomon City, Kansas.

Funeral services for Mr. May were held Thursday afternoon from the Methodist Episcopal church at Moro under the direction of Zella Interment was made in the Moro cemetery.

Clean-Up Day
Most Successful;
Much Work Done

Clean-up day in Moro was successful in that all of the aims of the committee that did the planning were accomplished, that every one seemed to enjoy the work and that all were well fed.

Work began early in the morning after a short meeting of the club and while some of the projects were well along by ten o'clock others required until late in the afternoon to finish. This was partly due to the addition of a wading pool to the program.

Material for the concrete stoves and the wading pool were donated by the Moro Grain Growers who also arranged to have a mixer on hand to aid the jobs. G. H. Hugan who is building the elevator addition, supervised the work for the day thus earning the community's thanks.

Playground Equipment Brought

The school board of Erskine offered the playground equipment on the grounds of the now unused school to the city for use in the park and a crew of men dug the footings for these out and brought them in. It was erected in a new setting and put together where it will provide fun for the youngsters. There is a swing and a teeter.

The crew delegated to level the new lawn on the west side of the creek found it a rather hard job but it was finished by noon and made ready for the seed that will be put in next month.

Two concrete stoves were built by a crew under Stora Searcy and Bill Raymond. Harry Kunsman's gang built a bridge across the creek. Balsiger, general chairman, supervised the wading pool and Dr. Foley's crew of painters made the park buildings shine with new white paint.

Good Dinner Provided

At noon wives of workers led by members of the woman's club brought a lunch to the park and fed the men most bountifully. In the meantime the only crew not at the park had been whitewashing trees along the streets and that job was finished in time for refreshments.

Everything was planned in advance and went off as planned. A great deal of good work was done that will be permanent, everything was orderly and in keeping with the job being done making of it a most successful clean-up day.

Ball Players Out

Soft ball players are out each night limbering up—or stiffening up—muscles and getting ready for the opening of the season which will be as soon as a game can be scheduled. A challenge has been made and accepted for another intercity, interclub game the afternoon of the lamb show in Wasco, May 11.

Essay Contest
Now Under
Way Here

All of the electric range dealers here and the Pacific Power & Light company are sponsoring an electric range essay contest in which a total of five \$150.00 electric ranges, twelve \$19.95 electric roasters, sixteen \$10.00 and forty \$5.00 merchandise orders are to be given away. R. V. Lockhart, local agent of the power company. Each contestant is to write no less than 50 or more than 100 words the answer to this statement: "I would like to own a 1940 electric range because..."

This district comprises The Dalles, Arlington, Condon, Fossil, Moro, Wasco, Grass Valley, Dufur and vicinities and these will be judged by a jury of three prominent people who have been selected. They are: Nora Myers, home economics instructor at The Dalles high school, Lucille C. Harwood, home advisor and Paul Menegat, principal of The Dalles high school.

Local Judges Recommend

These judges will determine the winners of one of the electric roasters, two of the \$10 and 4 of the \$5 prizes. The winning entries from this district will then compete against the winning entries from the other districts served by the Pacific Power & Light company. The judges of the finals who are to select the winners will be Mrs. C. W. Wall, president of the Oregon Parent Teachers association, Miss Elizabeth Prior, principal, Yakima Junior college and a member of the staff of Whitman college.

All electric range dealers and our local office now have entry forms says Mr. Lockhart who urges that every one pick up one and start on a statement at once. Full details are given. Anyone served by Pacific Power & Light is eligible except employees and their families.

Moro High School
Giving Play

"The Phantom Bells", Moro high school annual senior play is scheduled to be presented this Saturday night at the school gymnasium. Concentrated practice is being held under the direction of Miss Barbara Leisz, director of many past senior play successes. The play as the title suggests, is a mystery comedy full of action, thrills. The setting is in an old long unhabited house with a reputation for evil and mysterious happenings. It adds many more such happenings before the reason for them is solved.

CONDEMN GAS PUMPS

Of the 1142 gasoline pumps and measures checked by the state department of agriculture in March, 42 were condemned. Also, 16 of the 993 scales and weights tested were condemned.

Earl Thompson
AAA Field Man,
Explains LawGoodly Crowd of
Farmers and Business
Men Hear Talk

Speaking before the members and guests of the Wasco Civic club Monday evening Earl Thompson, field man for the AAA in eastern Oregon, gave a brief and accurate resume of the national agricultural law and its effect on the wheat industry of the state.

He reviewed the history of agricultural legislation saying that it was not political but was made necessary by the expansion caused by the world war of 1917-18. The farm board stabilized price but had no authority to control production; the first AAA held down production but was held to be unconstitutional. The present marketing act, he said, attempts to control production through the means of soil conservation and payments for compliance and, while not entirely satisfactory, is doing a commendable job for the farmers.

The four major objectives of the present law, according to Mr. Thompson, are to conserve the resources of our land, to obtain a fair share of the national income for the farmers, to regulate basic supplies and to protect consumers by arranging for a steady supply.

He told of the many types of practices possible under the law and the work being done for producers of farm products not directly under the law.

T. Lester Johnson, president of the club, handled the meeting and LeRoy C. Wright introduced the speaker. Dinner was held at the Sherman Hotel in Wasco.

It was announced that the annual lamb show will be held May 11 this year instead of in April as previously announced. Marion Crews played two numbers on the piano for the pleasure of the group of between fifty and sixty who attended.

Wasco Band
Places Second

The Wasco school band won recognition at the LaGrande music tournament when they were judged second to the Heppner band. The thirty young band members were taken in cars and chaperoned by Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Caldwell, band master Landler, Mrs. Walt Blau, Mrs. O. G. Hilderbrand, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Mills, John McChure, Patty O'Meara, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Fridley, Leo Watkins, Free Crews, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Rickeliefer. Most of the cars returned home by way of Baker and report a very nice time.

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By A. L. Lindbeck

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Adams vs Hailey
Case Entails
Old History

A case is now filed in the circuit court for Sherman county in which one Robert C. Adams is suing Mrs. B. Estelle Hailey for possession of the estate of Roy C. Atwood formerly of Wasco who died in October 1934 and whose estate has been probated.

The complaint alleges that one Robert C. Adams deserted his wife and family July 19, 1893 and took the name of Roy C. Atwood; that no divorce was obtained by Mrs. Adams until 1917; that Mrs. Adams was not legal heir to the estate; and that Mrs. Hailey and James Maddox, who now own the store and the other portions of the estate of Roy C. Atwood are not legal possessors of same.

The complaint further alleges that Robert C. Adams deserted his wife and family July 19, 1893 and took the name of Roy C. Atwood; that no divorce was obtained by Mrs. Adams until 1917; that Mrs. Adams was not legal heir to the estate; and that Mrs. Hailey and James Maddox, who now own the store and the other portions of the estate of Roy C. Atwood are not legal possessors of same.

George G. Updegraff is attorney for the Atwood estate and Galloway and Krier for the plaintiff. Answer to the complaint will be made next week.

Two New Pumps
Now Ready

Two new pumps were installed in public wells around Moro last week. The new county pump at the fair grounds was put in after the pipe as pulled and new leather installed in the cylinder. It has not been given a test as yet so it is not known how much it will pump. It is rated at 690 gallons per hour with the size motor bought with it.

The Pacific Pumping company installed a new pump in the city well without charge, because the old one was not working to capacity. It was found to be not securely fastened together.

The new pump started pumping at a rate computed to be 57 gallons per minute which, if continued, should reduce costs of pumping for the city. The pump that was removed was throwing between 42 and 44 gallons.

KNAP WEED KILLED
BY CHEMICALS

The plot of Russian Knap weed on the Lowell Burres place north of Wasco was entirely killed by an application of carbon bisulphide reports LeRoy Wright, county agent.

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Voters Reject
County School
Plan HereVote of 3 to 2 Puts
Skids Under School
Reorganization Plan

Voters in Sherman county rejected the proposal for the county school law at the special election held Tuesday by a vote of 479 against to 303 for the measure.

While the vote indicates, undoubtedly, the feeling of the people, it was in most precincts so varied that an analysis is most difficult. By precincts the vote was as follows:

Precinct	Yes	No
Rufus	5	94
Locust Grove	29	32
Klondike	8	65
Monkland	15	34
Rutledge	4	23
Kent	23	63
Grass Valley	62	41
Moro	138	34
Wasco	19	93
Total	303	479

The vote cast was very large for a special election at this time of year there being 60.4 percent of the total registration counted at the polls.

Two Precincts Favor

Moro and Grass Valley were the only precincts in which the plan was approved although the Locust Grove precinct cast a vote that was evenly divided.

It is too early to estimate what the effect of this election will have on school organization in the county for coming years. Whether the five districts now holding school will continue despite decreasing enrollments or whether there will be some move toward consolidation of high schools cannot be foretold at present.

Principal cause of the vote is believed to be the age old desire of local communities to retain their own school facilities even though they are unable to make them adequate.

The vote was roughly 3 to 2 against the measure, 16 to 10, to be more exact which is not a serious setback for those who feel that some change in county school organization is desirable and inevitable. The plan was beaten 3 to 1 in Jackson county.

DOUGHNUT SALE
FOR SCOUTS

A doughnut sale will be held Saturday of this week by the American Legion Auxiliary for the benefit of the Girl Scouts. Mesdames Otis Baker, Wesley Fuller, and Omer Sayrs are in charge of baking the pastry, which will be done at the church. Orders will be taken at the Searcy store.

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