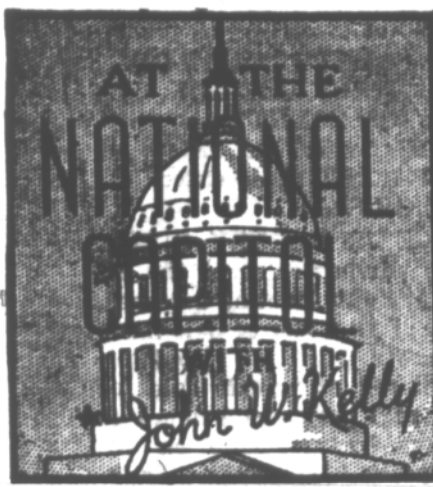


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Washington, D. C., May 23.—National defense preparations do not overlook the Pacific northwest. Out of the program can be expected development of the navy air patrol station at Tongue Point, near Astoria, into a major patrol base of five squadrons of bombers, 60 of these flying machines, plus fighting planes. As Tongue Point is expanded, landing facilities for the patrol bombers will be established along the Oregon coast and southwestern Washington.

Increase of the armament at Fort Stevens, at the mouth of the Columbia, and mobile anti-aircraft weapons which can be moved up and down the coast and inland as required. There will be an expansion of the facilities at Fort Lewis.

An army air depot (not base) located some where in eastern Washington. A depot is where quantities of supplies are maintained; a depot provides supplies for an air base. To enable bombers to practice, a large tract of land will be set aside east of the Cascades, probably in Oregon, but this is not certain.

Continuation and expansion of the CAA program for training college students to fly, with opportunities for the colleges and universities of the northwest to offer this course. Instructions for advanced flyers in the Ninth corps area—headquarters at San Francisco—under plans of a committee headed by Colonel Frank Knox, who was Republican nominee for vice president four years ago. Training for advanced flyers is to enable them to pilot the great flying fortress planes.

National guards of Oregon and Washington will be requested to increase their strength. Personnel at Vancouver barracks will be increased until the high command decides whether or not to retain that historic post. Army policy is to abandon old Indian posts; several will fold up this year.

Although enrollees in OCC camps will not be furnished weapons, they will be taught military discipline. Picked enrollees will be trained for driving trucks in formation until they understand that technique, and these picked men will be transferred to other camps and know how to hit in formation. Truck driving in a motorized army, requires special training.

Bremerton navy yard will be given all construction work in the new navy program that plant can conveniently handle.

As a protection to Oregon and Washington, several thousand troops will be sent to Alaska, where an air base will be rushed with all possible speed.

Under federal inspiration, survey for strategic minerals in the northwest states will be prosecuted and pilot plants provided to work out the best method of processing the raw material. Most of the strategic minerals occur in Oregon, Washington, Idaho and northern California. This means prospecting and development.

With aluminum an important item in aircraft manufacture, and President Roosevelt hoping for an output of 50,000 planes a year, the new aluminum industry on Columbia river must increase its capacity and another company may enter the field.

Where the money is coming from for national defense is the pocket book of the taxpayer. How the money will be raised will not be determined by congress until next January or February. Proposal that a special tax be added to the income tax does not meet with favor; popular idea is that those who profit on the government orders should carry the lions share of the burden.

Labor will be given full protection, but the president will not tolerate a few leaders slowing down the program, nor will sit-down strikes be winked at. It can also be predicted that aliens active in labor unions in the northwest will be closely watched; the administration

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Precincts Elect
Committeemen &
Committee womenParty Reliabilities Named
In Most Cases To
Direct Local Campaign

Precinct committeemen and committeewomen elected in Sherman county May 17.

Republican Precinct Committeemen and Committeewomen:
Rufus Precinct: C. A. Tom and Mrs. H. McDonald.
Locust Grove Precinct: H. D. Proudfoot and Mrs. H. D. Proudfoot.

Klondike Precinct: H. A. Walker and no woman elected.
Monkland Precinct: W. Belshe and Mrs. H. Conlee.

Rutledge Precinct: Dean Reynolds and Ellen Reynolds.
Kent Precinct: (Tie between Jake Wilson and Frank von Borstel), Emma Davis.

Grass Valley Precinct: (Tie between J. B. Coon and Edgar Alley) Clara Rolfe.

Moro Precinct: M. E. McKee and Dorothy Moore.

Wasco Precinct: (Tie between Phil Yates and Joe Mee) B. Estelle Hailey.

Democratic Precinct Committeemen and Committeewomen:

Rufus Precinct: A. T. Striker and (tie between Mrs. C. M. Kuyper and Pearl Brackett).

Locust Grove Precinct: No man elected. (Tie between Helen Watkins and Nina Hennagin).

Klondike Precinct: W. B. Rice and Helen Bruckert.

Monkland Precinct: Harvey Thompson and Clara Houston.

Rutledge Precinct: Carl Adams and Cecile Eakin.

Kent Precinct: E. M. Helyer and Wynnet Wilson.

Grass Valley Precinct: Tom Garrett and (tie between Eva Cantrall and Mrs. C. Oestreich).

Moro Precinct: W. S. Powell and Velma McKean.

Wasco Precinct: H. H. White and Isabel Haufelt.

Moro Eighth Grade
Pupils Given Dinner

The eighth grade class of the Moro public school received their diplomas Wednesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Thompson. A dinner in their honor to which the faculty and parents are invited, and followed by a program, at the conclusion of which they will be tendered their diplomas.

The eighth grade this year includes Dorothy Miller, Betty Templeton, George DeMoss and Donald Thompson.

The program numbers are:

Class History Donald Thompson
Class Song Betty Templeton
Class Prophecy Dorothy Miller
Piano solo Donald Thompson
Class Will George DeMoss
Instrumental Duet, Dorothy Miller and George DeMoss

Presentation of Diplomas
..... Mr. R. G. Cunliff, Principal

Grass Valley Grade
School Graduates

The eighth grade exercises were held Thursday evening, May 16 at the school house with the following program: Processional, Miss Margaret Dryden; Invocation, Rev. Gerald Dryden; Class History, David Bayer; Class Will, Daisy Garrett; Trumpet Solo, Robert Schilling accompanied by Doris Newcomb at the piano; Class Prophecy, Clair Balzer; Salutatory, Margie Zurlinden; Song by the Class; High school welcome, Gene Reynolds; Valedictory, Robert Schilling; presentation of the class, Mr. I. V. Kare; presentation of diplomas, T. M. Rolfe; Benediction, Rev. Dryden; Recessional, Miss Traube. Other members of the class are Lloyd Kelly and Herman Zeigler.

ARMY TRUCKS GO THROUGH

Several trucks bearing the insignia of the U. S. passed through town Wednesday forenoon and it was reported that they were on their way from California to Fort Lewis, Washington for manoeuvres. There were few men in them and they appeared to be almost empty.

Wallace Tells
Farmers How
Much To Plant

Oregon wheat acreage allotments for 1941 are practically the same as for 1940, although considerably more than for 1939, according to word received from committee. Oregon's allotment is 849,116 acres, compared with 851,458 acres in 1940 and 788,303 in 1939. The national allotment is 62 million acres as it was in 1940.

Secretary Wallace announced that no marketing quota for wheat will be proclaimed this year as the estimated production of 675 million bushels this year, plus a carry over of 274 million bushels, gives a total below the figure where marketing quotas must be considered.

County allotments are being distributed soon, after which the county committees will apply these to individual farmers.

Missionary Women
Have May Program

The Moro Women's Missionary society held their May meeting at the home of Mrs. Gladys Morrison at 2 p. m. on the second Wednesday of the month. Mrs. Charles Bodlard, Edna Thompson and Inez Thompson served a delicious dessert luncheon at two o'clock followed by the usual devotional, business meeting and program. The program was built around Mother's Day and a much enjoyed special feature consisted of two duets on that theme, sung by Mrs. Burnett and her niece, Miss Virginia Mason of Salem. Each member brought an offering of pennies to the amount of her mother's age or her age at the time of her death.

The Missionary society is holding a pot luck luncheon at noon in the basement of the community church on Wednesday, May 29th. At that time some of the officers of the Portland Presbytery will be here and explain the work and aims of the society. A good attendance is requested.

Maaske Talks To
Kent Seniors

Dr. Roben J. Maaske, president of the Eastern Oregon College of Education at LaGrande was speaker at the commencement program of the Kent High School held at that place Wednesday night. Seven young people were graduated from the high school: Levina Barnett, Frank von Borstel Jr., Dolores Gregg, Hugh Hoskinson, Eugene Norton, Geraldine Norton and Lona Sather. Geraldine Norton was salutatorian and Frank von Borstel valedictorian, and they also won the plaques for achievement during their high school career.

Dorothy Cratty, Shelton Fritts, Jeannette Holmes, Cleo Laffoon and Jerry Wilson finished their eighth grade work.

Grass Valley Seniors
Have Class Night

Class night exercises for the senior class of Grass Valley high school were held Tuesday, May 21 at the school house with the following program: class history, Kenneth Crews; class will, Dolores Simon; class prophecy, Bill Todd; basket ball letter awards were given to the following students by Principal Ray Jewel: Harry Stark, Olan Stark, Bob King, Roy Hogue, Kenneth Crews, Frank Payne, Ross Fields and Claud Bayer. Bass horn solo, Bill Todd accompanied by Dolores Simon at the piano; school awards presented by Mr. Jewel to the outstanding girl and boy in the student body was given to Betty Barnett and Bill Todd; Class awards were presented by Mr. Jewel to Olan Stark for athletics; Bill Todd for scholarship and Dolores Simon for activities. Each senior read a poem composed by members of the audience. Other seniors are Bob King and Olan Stark.

Baccalaureate services were held in the Methodist church Sunday evening as follows: Prayer, Rev. Gerald C. Dryden; songs "I Pass By Your Window" and "When Day Is Done" by the High school glee club. Sermon by Rev. F. L. Cannell of Wasco "Perseverance" and Benediction, Rev. Dryden.

Personal Injury
Case Takes Two
Court Days

Death of L. G. Peters

In 1937 Causes

Case Against Truckers

The case of Lola Foster vs. Inland Empire Freight Line was tried in circuit court here Wednesday and Thursday with Judge Carl Hendricks on the bench. Burleigh & Burleigh represented the plaintiff and Wm. Morrison of Shields, McGuire & Morrison, the defendants.

The case grew out of the death of L. G. Peters, 59, of Los Angeles who was killed on the Columbia highway about three miles east of Rufus in November 1937 when his car was hit by a truck belonging to the freight company. Mrs. Foster is a daughter of Mr. Peters.

Motion for non-suit Wednesday evening on the part of the defendant was not allowed by the judge and the defendant's case started Thursday morning with frequent interruptions because of motions.

Called to the jury were Collis Moore, Tom Peugh, Donald Clodfelter, Robert Davis, Tom Alley, J. E. Brown, Robert LeBlanc, Tommie Barnett, Fred Cox, Johnnie Decker, Herman Schilling and Carl Schladewitz.

Red Cross Drive
Nears Completion

The Red Cross drive for funds to relieve the suffering of the people of the low countries has been going on for the past week in Sherman county which has a quota of \$200. Both Wasco and Grass Valley have raised their part of the quota and other subdivisions are said to be approaching their stated sums.

The following is a part of a telegram received from Norman Davis, national Red Cross chairman, about the need for the funds from the present drive.

With several million men locked in mortal combat on French and Belgian soil, the relief needs of Belgian French peoples are reaching staggering proportions. Already five million pitiful refugees are clogging every road into Central, Southern France, trying to escape bombing and destroying from airplanes. Our representatives in France report Red Cross must rush relief of every kind if these innocent people are to be saved. Cannot urge upon you too strongly need for prompt action if we are to befriend these sorely tried victims of brutal warfare. We count upon you to reach and over-subscribe your goal within shortest possible time.

Moro Woman's Club
Installs Officers

The Moro Woman's club held its last meeting of the year in the form of a picnic at the city park for its members and their families. The outstanding committees reports were heard, all bills paid up to date and the books closed for the year. Mrs. C. L. Poley gave a brief sketch of the program for the coming year.

The new officers, Mrs. O. A. Ramsey, president; Mrs. M. A. Bull vice president; Mrs. Joe Truitt, secretary and Mrs. L. V. Moore, treasurer, were installed by the director, Mrs. A. Douma. Mrs. Carroll Sayre, retiring president, was installed as the 3-year term director. The meeting closed by singing "Auld Lang Syne."

ELEVATOR TO BE BUILT

Plans have been made and preparatory work is being done toward the building of a new grain elevator at Erskine to replace the one destroyed by fire a few weeks ago.

The new storage facilities will hold between 75,000 and 80,000 bushels of grain according to information released at the office of the Moro Grain Growers, owners of the elevators and warehouses in this area. Cleaning up the debris left from the fire is now nearly completed and it is expected that pouring of concrete for the base of the new elevator will be done next week. It will be similar to the addition recently completed in Moro.

How Electors Voted Last Friday
On Candidates For County Office

Precinct	Peetz	Truitt	Reid	Alley	Kunsman	Ornduff	Wilson	Eaton
Rufus	39	32	42	35	29	35	35	2
Lo. Gro.	23	21	26	23	24	27	18	11
Klon.	26	20	23	19	15	33	34	4
Monk.	26	24	23	20	22	13	12	3
Rut.	17	19	14	20	18	6	7	1
Kent	45	38	34	46	42	19	25	2
G. V.	56	51	44	54	51	29	31	7
Moro	124	101	104	104	106	57	64	8
Wasco	53	47	57	52	46	41	39	14
Total	409	363	367	373	353	260	265	52

Farmers Get Most
Of Gas Refunds

Cost of administering the collection, audit and refund payments of the state gasoline tax for the year 1939 was .0035 percent of the tax collected, it was disclosed at the secretary of state's office.

Tax paid on 241,169,975 gallons of motor vehicle fuel sold in this state during the year amounted to \$12,068,499 and claims for refunds allowed totaled \$1,430,247. The administrative cost for this activity totaled \$43,079, making Oregon one of the leaders in the nation in low administration cost in this field it was said.

The state motor vehicle fuel tax must be paid on all fuel sold in Oregon but refunds are allowed on fuel not used for highway purposes, fuel used in government work and for fuel used in city and county official vehicles. There were 22,240 permits for refund claims issued during the year. Marion county led with 2,026 permits, Lane county had 1,574, Multnomah had 1,455, Clackamas 1,421, Linn 1,323 and Washington 1,219. The number of permits issued for other counties varied from a few to several hundred.

Farmers received more refunds than any other one group 44.9 percent of the total claims being for farm use. Logging and lumbering was next with 24.5 percent while refunds to cities and counties amounted to 9.1 percent of the total.

The following table shows the amount of refunds paid in the eleven classifications of persons and groups entitled to receive them during 1939:

	Farming	Fishing
\$42,052.76	\$45,083.01	
Aircraft \$45,431.78; Logging and lumbering \$351,157.95; Commercial \$80,535.73; Exports \$54,467.74		
Marine \$9,840.40; Mining \$8,844.40		
RFD special delivery \$12,669.20;		
Cities and counties \$141,787.26.		

Taxpayers Gradually Reducing
The Delinquent Taxes In Oregon

By A. L. Lindbeck

Oregon's tax delinquency has been reduced by more than \$1,062,000 in the past two years according to reports compiled by the state tax commission. Delinquent tax payments which totalled \$40,775,000 at the end of 1937 were down to \$39,112,412 by the end of 1939. This represents a reduction of nearly \$7,400,000 from the peak of \$46,510,000 in tax delinquencies reached in 1935.

Only 12 of the state's 36 counties failed to report improvement in their tax picture during the two year period ending December 31, last. These were Clackamas, Columbia, Coos, Deschutes, Jackson, Josephine, Lincoln, Malheur, Morrow, Multnomah, Tillamook and Yamhill. In most of these counties the increase in tax delinquencies was comparatively small although in the case of Multnomah county it amounted to \$423,000 and in Tillamook county to more than \$390,000.

Lane county made the best improvement in its tax picture, reducing its outstanding delinquency by \$360,000. State tax officials point out that the greatest degree of improvement was recorded in those counties showing the greatest activity in tax foreclosures.

Reports from county tax collectors show that 83 percent of the 1939 levy had been collected by the end of the year with Sherman county heading the list with collections of nearly 92 percent and Grant county reporting collections of 89 percent of its current levies. On the other hand Curry county collected only 60 percent of the 1939 levies during the year with Lincoln county reporting collections of only 62 percent.

State Treasurer Pearson has

Wasco Students Give
Plaque To Cannells

Wasco's Commencement was held May 16 at the school auditorium the following numbers being included: Processional, Mrs. J. T. Johnson; Invocation, Rev. F. L. Cannell; Salutatory, Damon Fields; piano selection, Mrs. J. T. Johnson; Address, H. H. Hanna, from the University of Oregon; Song, Gordon Rich; Valedictory, June Wilde; Awards by K. C. Caldwell and presentation of diplomas, W. A. Nisbet. Rev. Patrick gave the benediction. Theo Noma Beletski, Kenneth Walter Blau, Gordon Leslie Boice, Eunice Pear Britton, Mary Winifred Coats, June L. Wilde, Damon C. Fields, Jack Howard James, W. Daniel Kaseberg, Donna Mae Knox and Dorothy Mae Knox were the graduates.

Awards were given to June Wilde and Damon Fields as the outstanding athletes of the year. Mary Coats was named the best all round senior and scholarship awards went to Mary Coats, Laville Gosson and Gordon Boice.

The citizenship cup was given to Rev. and Mrs. F. L. Cannell who in their three years in Wasco have been active in matters concerning the young people. Lewis Hastings was winner in 1939.

WEATHER WARMER

The weather has been warm the past week reaching a temperature of 85 one day at the station although thermometers downtown had a higher reading. Farmers generally say that this is just what is needed to make the wheat jump out of its slow spell. A trace of precipitation fell Thursday morning but not enough to register.

	Max	Min	Prec
May 16	74	41	
17	73	40	
18	82	41	
19	72	56	
20	76	49	
21	80	45	
22	85	47	

County Votes
For Cake, Scott
and Ritner

Good Vote Out In

Spite of Lack of

Interest Indicated

Sixty two percent of the voters of Sherman county went to the polls last Friday to cast ballots for their favorite candidates despite the fact that there had been little interest in the campaign in the weeks preceding. The total vote for the county was 800 of which 472 were Republicans and 328 Democrats.

No contest held absorbing interest in this county as nearly all local contests will be run off this fall. Of interparty strife there was practically none. Walter Eaton challenged Charles Wilson for the Democratic nomination for sheriff for the only contest.

Crke Chosen

Republican voters of this county chose Ralph Cake as national committeeman over Arthur Geary, Milton Klepper and Thurlow Weed. Cake's vote was 138 to 112 for Weed, runner-up; they gave Mrs. Florence Runyan 187 votes to 170 for Mrs. Geo. Gerlinger although the latter was chosen in the state.

High places for national convention delegates were Metachan, Toose, Stanfield and Zimmerman. For delegates from the second district Ryan and Saylor won here McNary was given 384 votes for the presidential nomination.

Roy Ritner won easily over Rex Ellis in this county the vote being 270 to 129. Ellis carried the district, however and will run against Walter Pierce in November. He is a state senator but will probably resign to carry on the campaign. Margaret Peetz, unopposed for assessor, had 409 votes, Joe Truitt for clerk, had 353, David Reid for commissioner, 367; Ed Alley for coronor, 373 and Harry Kunsman for sheriff, 353. George Updegraff received 43 write in votes for the nomination as district attorney but has not yet stated that he will accept.

Mahoney High Here

Democrats in the county named Howard Latourette over Flavel Temple as national committeemen as did the voters of the state. Celia Gavin was given the vote of this county decisively for national committeewoman but did not carry the state.

High men for national convention delegates were Mahoney, Hyde, Morrow and Burns and for second district delegates Francis Galloway was high and Peterson second.

Lyman Ross won over Al Brown for state treasurer the vote being 131 to 127. Brown won in the state.

T. Lester Johnson received 258 votes for district attorney and Ross Ornduff had 260 votes for clerk, both being unopposed. Wilson had 265 votes for sheriff and Walter Eaton 52. W. S. Powell received 24 write in votes for county commissioner but has expressed himself as not wishing to accept the nomination.

Moro Seniors Attend
Last School Affair

Graduation of thirteen seniors from the Moro High school was an event of Tuesday night. Chester P. Gates gave the address of the evening and warned the graduates to pay little attention to the opinions of the world, to pay much attention to their own criticism of themselves and to follow the teachings of the Almighty. Wyman French was valedictorian, Gene Brisbane, salutatorian. R. G. Cunliff awarded the several cups and plaques to the following. Boys athletic award, Wyman French; girls athletic award, Joelle Peterson; M. E. McKee scholarship award, Wyman French. GGG plaque Reatha Sayre; Class scholarship cup to the sophomore class. M. R. Schadowitz, school board chairman, gave diplomas to Wyman French, Reatha Sayre, Vernon Melser, Ronald Gentry, Joelle Peterson, Audreyella Searcy, Frank Lutje, Elmer Helsehe, Lloyd Noonan, Bonnie Fetters, Clara Mersinger, Gene Brisbane and Margaret Caldwell.

Senator Ronald Jones of Mar.

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