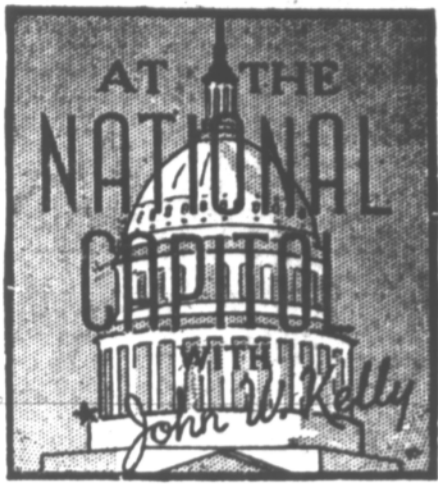


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It is probable that a portable loading platform will be built to facilitate the unloading of horses brought to the rides in trucks.

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Word has been received here of the death of Mrs. Anna Guyton of Oakland, California, widow of the late William F. Guyton, pioneer resident of Sherman and Wasco counties, on Friday, April 18. Mrs. Guyton had been in a critical condition for several weeks and was totally blind due to her recent illness.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Wilson and children and Mr. and Mrs. Jay McKay and children drove to Celilo Sunday to watch the fishing operations.

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The sixteenth mid-Columbia Christian Assembly and Mt. Hood district state Missions Rally will meet at Kent all day and evening Tuesday, April 29. Theme: "Christ the Answer." D. L. Penhollow of Sisters will have charge of the singing. At eleven a. m. H. I. Perten of Redmond speaks. Fellowship basket dinner at noon at the Kent grange hall. Rev. C. F. Swander of Portland will speak at 1:45 p. m. At 2:15 in the afternoon Church reports of Progress and Vision, followed by music. At 2:40 p. m. Walter L. Myers of Beaverton will give an address. Evening luncheon at 5:45. The evening session will begin at 7:30 with an address by A. C. Bates of Klamath Falls whose subject is "Christ the Answer to the Souls Need." The public is invited to attend.

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Winter barley is being grown in greater quantity this year because some 50 types were sent here for trial. Some of them may be what the feeder is after.

Hamburger mustard and flax are also being tested again.

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Prizes will be given for pens of three lambs and for single lamb entries. Prizes for the pens will be \$7 for first and graduating down to \$3, thus insuring five places. For single lambs the prizes will be from \$5 down and five places will be given. The 4-H class will be for single lamb only and prizes will be given for each entry with \$5 the top. Lambs that win first will be eligible for championship competition.

Weather for Week

Weather for the week has been warm with the exception of a day or two at the end of last week. This week starting Sunday, the sun has shone with mid-summer ardor which has made the grain grow in an unprecedented fashion. This makes the farmers wonder what will happen to it if June is a hot month without rain.

Mother, Daughter Banquet Held Friday Evening

The Moro Woman's club held its annual Mother's and Daughter's banquet on Friday evening in the Odd Fellow's hall.

The tables were beautifully decorated with apple blossoms and spring flowers and laden with a bountiful quantity of good food. About 110 were present.

Mrs. Merrill Oveson acted as toast mistress and presented a very enjoyable program consisting of a toast song by Mrs. Hollinshead to our daughters. The response was given by Janet Schade-witz.

The High School Glee Club sang two numbers under the direction of Mrs. Nye. Mrs. Hollinshead and Claudine Thompson gave an Irish skit. The guest speaker for the evening was Miss Lottie Morse of The Dalles, who spoke on the Life in China, taking us on an imaginary tour through parts of China.

The club voted to meet with the Wasco club on May 2nd at the Sherman hotel. Those planning on going please notify Mrs. Ramsey. Meet at Moro Hotel about 1:45 in the afternoon.

It was also voted to have the annual picnic dinner on May 7th, at noon.

The meeting was closed by singing in unison, "God Bless America."

Church To Get New Hymn Books

A hymnbook committee appointed at the recent annual meeting met last Tuesday evening and decided on a new book known as "The Service Hymnal" to be sent for as soon as the funds are raised. A minimum of 75 copies at 65 cents each is to be ordered and members and friends of the church are invited to donate as many books as they please, thus allowing no heavy burden on any one person. People desiring to have a share may confer with the members of the session, Mrs. Hollinshead, Mrs. Melzer or T. M. Fraser. People are also invited to buy copies for home use. This should help to increase the enjoyment of church music in the community.

Local Declamatory Winners Announced

The local declamatory contest as held Wednesday night to choose representatives to contest with others from the other schools of the county at Rufus next Wednesday April 30. The county contest will be the 35th such contest held in Sherman county.

Winners at Moro were Florence Gentry, first in the first division with Derrie Hennagin second; Janet Nye was third. Donald King won the second division with Dickie Oveson, second and Dean Fuller third. The third or upper division was won by Anajean Knighten, Donella Nelson, second and Frances Greer third. Mrs. R. G. Chisom of The Dalles was judge.

Drivers Licenses

Persons holding driver's licenses which expire June 30th of this year will not be required to take any examination when they renew their licenses, it was announced today by Earl Snell, secretary of state.

Examinations are required, however, for those persons who were not licensed during the 1939-1941 period and for persons 70 years of age or older.

Driver's licenses for the 1941-1943 period will cost \$1.50 this year, instead of one dollar, due to the creation of a motor vehicle accident fund by the 1941 legislative assembly, it was explained.

This fund is for the hospitalization costs of indigent persons injured in automobile accidents cared for in hospitals which are then unable to collect from the patients. The fund will be administered by the state industrial accident commission and hospitals must be registered with the commission and follow a schedule of charges set up by the commission.

There will be approximately \$250,000 available for this fund during the coming two-year period as there will be at least 500,000 drivers licensed during that time, Snell said.

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