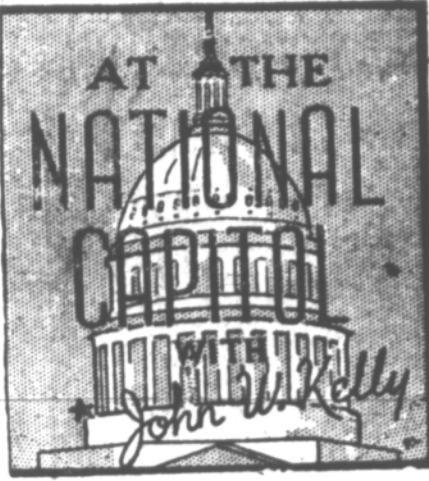


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## 15 Youngsters Get Scholarships For 4-H School

Many Others Expected To Pay Own Way To Corvallis Campus Next Month

Washington, D. C., May 29.—At least three military projects in Oregon and another in Washington will be officially authorized when the army is increased (which is a foregone conclusion) and congress votes money to pay the men and to provide shelter. At long last the war department has selected Medford and Eugene for cantonment sites, estimated by the department to cost \$23,000,000 each. The third location will be in the vicinity of Bend, and it may be an anti-aircraft contingent, an army air corps or just plain infantry. For Washington the site will be somewhere in the Yakima-Pasco region, but no information has been released on either the Washington or central Oregon projects.

Army men are still figuring on locating a powder-making plant in the Pacific northwest and the only site that appeals to them is in the vicinity of west Umatilla, where the land slopes right; where there is unlimited water and where there is opportunity for a new settlement of industrial workers. Army officials are tight lipped, but it is known that there is not enough powder production capacity yet, despite the government building plants and subsidizing private companies to operate them. Also, the ordinance department needs a source near the Pacific coast to supply the navy and to provide ammunition for the troops in Alaska (now about 8,000 in that territory) and for the army air corps. The munitions base at Hermiston is to be a warehouse for bombs etc., but there is no provision for making the propellants in that territory nor anywhere in the northwest yet.

War department is not supposed to be politically minded, but the reason cantonments have been selected for the future in western Oregon and in eastern Washington is because those areas have received nothing. The army recognizes the need of votes and of scattering around its projects to its best ability and to the availability of sites in congressional districts which fit into its plans. And believe it or not there are new deal congressmen who have insisted on friends receiving contracts, and have been successful.

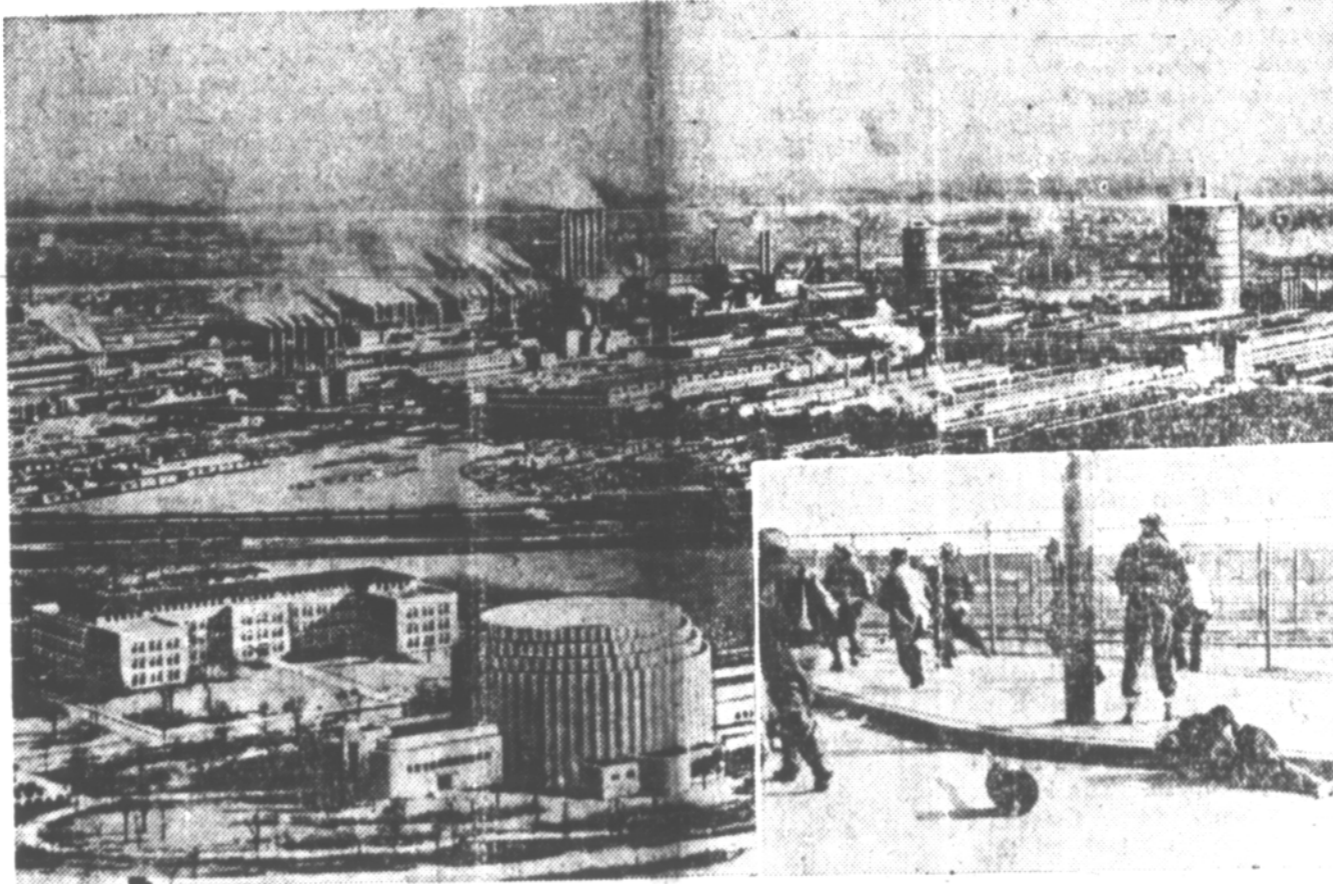
It is true that many important contracts have been awarded strictly on a fair basis, but nevertheless there are a few new dealers who have raised the roof until constituents have been given contracts. It appears that if a new dealer howls loud enough the war department surrenders rather than carry on a controversy with a member who can do damage on the floor of senate or house. Such threats have been made. It appears that senatorial courtesy prevents investigating committees from delving too deeply into instances where threats of members have influenced the army. There is talk of these matters in the cloakrooms, but never on the floor of the senate chamber or in the committee hearings.

Here is something which Office of Civilian Defense intends doing to the non-combatants of the northwest. Organization of volunteer fire fighters whether or not a community has a paid department, and these are to be instructed in how to extinguish incendiaries and fires caused by exploding bombs. Mostly, the training is throwing a bucket of sand on the flames, and having plenty of sand buckets handy—especially on the roofs of houses and buildings; instruction on how to reach the top of a house quickly.

Training industrial and office workers in street fighting with tommy guns; the bushwhacking of an invader while taking advantage of every shelter. Organization of sky watchers; those who look for approaching planes and telephonically to a moving headquarters, where the essential reports are collected and sent to a general headquarters. Men and women will be volunteers in this obser-

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## As Strike Closed Ford Plant



The gigantic River Rouge plant of the Ford Motor company at Dearborn, Mich., largest single industrial plant in the world, where from seven to eight thousand striking C.I.O. auto workers threw 85,000 employees out of work. Inset: One of the men involved in the battle between pickets and workers, shown as he tumbled into the gutter after being struck by one of the many flying missiles.

## Non-High School Farm Prices Rise As Demand For Food Increases

The non-high school board of Sherman county will hold an election June 16, annual school meeting day, and choose a director from Zone 3, comprising Erskine, Boardman and Monkland district. T. H. Fraser is the incumbent in this position. On this day also districts will vote on their budgets for the coming school year and will elect a board member and clerk.

## New Brand Book, Printed, Available

The 1941 Oregon brand book, containing the thousands of brands that were re-recorded in 1940, is now ready for distribution to livestock owners of the state. The book is available through the state department of agriculture, animal division. There is a one dollar charge, which is the cost of compiling and printing.

This is the first brand book published in Oregon since 1918. It contains some 6,000 brands, mostly those used on cattle, horses and sheep. Poultry markings are recorded also.

Through courtesy of the Oregon Cattle and Horse Raisers' association, every member of that organization in good standing will receive a free copy of the brand book. The association-purchased books are in a special red binding.

## More Rain Falls, Weather Cool

While there has been no rains of consequence this week the weather has been damp and some rain has fallen to keep the air cool and the ground damp. There have been years in which the precipitation of this week would be called a pretty fair shower but this year it is of little consequence so wet has been the spring. In all 22 of an inch fell.

May	Max	Min	Pre.
22	81	46	
23	89	46	
24	85	64	
25	75	50	
26	63	43	
27	61	42	.07
28	59	43	.15

## STUDENTS GRADUATE

Graduation exercises for the Moro high school were held Tuesday night at the school house with Rev. R. A. Hutchinson of Salem making the talk to the graduates. Claudine Thompson was valedictorian and Vera Jean Henrichs and Ardis Truitt joint salutatorians. Other members of the class were Max Barzee, Mearle Miller, Jessie Kenny, and Florence Lawrence. Awards were given as follows: Probably success: Florence Lawrence; Boy athlete, Lynden Mersinger; Girl athlete, Claudine Thompson; Best grades, Donald Thompson; second, Claudine Thompson. Highest class in grades, freshmen.

## Red Cross To Hold Meeting, Budget Funds

The Sherman County chapter, American Red Cross, has called a meeting for Friday night, June 6, at the rooms of the Moro library at 7:30.

Purpose of the meeting is to name a finance committee which will budget the funds now on hand and those to be handled through the year. C. A. Tom, of Rufus, president of the chapter, was here Wednesday to make arrangements for the meeting.

## USO Campaign Will Start Next Week

A nation wide drive for funds for soldiers and sailors recreation will begin June 3 when the United Service organization will start the job of gathering \$10,765,000 to provide homelike services for the men in army and navy and marine corps.

Amusements, places to write letters, shows, advice, places to meet friends are provided through the USO which is a combination of six agencies that served the men in the last war. Veterans of that war will recall the value of the Y luts and KC houses.

In this county the committee is composed of Judge George Potter, Virgo Haufelt, Wily Knighten, Henry Peters and Giles French.

Production prospects in the country as a whole are better than average. Indications are favorable for an abundance of hay. On May 1 pastures were the best for the date since 1929. Poultry flocks are being increased substantially, and cattle, hogs, and sheep are being increased somewhat.

Wheat and rye prospects are very favorable. The May 1 estimate of winter wheat production was 653,000,000 bushels compared with 590,000,000 in 1940. Prospects are also favorable for spring wheat yields, though it is too early to make definite estimates. Carry-over stocks of wheat are also sure to be abnormally high.

In view of this condition the national wheat acreage allotment for 1942 has been set at 55,000,000 acres, with Oregon's share being 756,281 acres. This national allotment is the minimum allowable under the agricultural adjustment act.

## Everybody Must Get New License

Current driver's licenses expire June 30th and new permits will be required after that date, according to Earl Snell, Secretary of State. Persons 70 years of age or older must take the state examination for new permits and persons not holding current licenses also must take the examination. All others may renew without an examination.

## Wasco Ball Club Meetings Held Continues Streak In Behalf Of Yes Quota Vote

Arlington and Wasco played here Sunday with Wasco winning by a score of 10 to 5, to make this the highest score game played by the Sherman county team this season. In addition to Melletin of The Dalles who has hurred since the departure of George Jensen, Jim Partlow worked the final innings. Partlow came up from Linfield collegewith Jim O'Meara. Wasco and Condon have been the leaders in the Wheatland-Timber league this year. Arlington defeated Condon in one early engagement and Condon won from Wasco to make the only defeats for these league leaders. Fossil and Mitchell are other teams in the league.

## Four Towns Visited By County Agent and AAA Chairman Seeking Support

Meetings called for the expressed purpose of informing farmers about the coming vote on quotas have been held in four towns of this county this week with LeRoy Wright, county agent, Joe Peters, AAA chairman, and local community committeemen in charge.

About 150 farmers have attended these meetings. It has been reported that 120 absentee ballots have been sent out and these are being returned with a unanimous affirmative vote to date.

Wright prepared a written argument which he read at all meetings in which he compared the situation labor has placed itself in with the farmer's position. He told of the industry enforced oil restrictions and the original tariff theory, which, he said, puts the farmer at a disadvantage unless he also has government payments.

He stated that the Federal Farm Board had a surplus that made it ineffective without power to restrict production. Canada will have 850 million bushels, Argentina 400 million bushels and the United States 1,250 million bushels of grain at the end of this crop year, he reported, and this will bear down the market if quotas are not voted. Penalties Given

If the loans are allowed to remain in effect by a favorable vote on the quotas, he said, the price obtained by Sherman county farmers will be between \$1.05 and \$1.10. If the quotas are not adopted there will be a penalty of 45 cents per bushel and "hot" wheat can only receive a loan of 60 percent of properly produced wheat.

Argument developed to show that farmers are really voting on loans on wheat and not on quotas for all wheat produced on allotted acres can be sold, or loaned upon, if the quotas pass. Farmers are, however, voting for the quota theory of farm control.

J. B. Adams spoke at three of the meetings saying that this program is not a new deal program. It is not the wheat league program entirely but is as close to the expressed wishes of the wheat growers of the mid-Columbia basin as could be obtained inasmuch as other districts wished another sort of program.

He showed the difference between conditions now and when the first World War began. We are now a creditor nation, there is now a surplus of wheat, exports must now be subsidized up to 3 1/2 cents, all of which did not prevail in 1917.

At none of the meetings was there any expression of opposition to a favorable vote on the quotas.

## Stock Price Holds Firm Another Week

The following quotations are based on prices being paid in Wednesday's trading.

CATTLE: Good grain fed steers \$9.25 to 10.65. Good grain fed heifers \$9.25 to 10.15. Good beef cows \$8.00 to 8.60; grass cows \$7.50 to 8.00. Medium \$7.25 to 7.75; common \$6.25 to 7.00, canners \$5.25 to 6.00. Bulls, medium to good \$8.00 to 9.15; common \$6.75 to 7.50. Vealers, good to choice \$11.00 to 12.00.

HOGS: Good to choice 170 to 215 lb trucking \$9.50 to 9.70; 230 to 285 lb butchers \$8.15 to 9.00; light weight butchers \$8.50 to 9.00; packing sows \$7.50 to 8.25. Feeder pigs \$9.00 to 10.50.

SHEEP: Good to choice spring lambs \$10.50 to 10.75; medium to good, \$9.75 to 10.25; common \$9.00 to 9.50. Slaughter ewes, good to choice \$7.00 to 7.50. Feeder lambs, good to choice, \$9.00 to 9.25. Shorn lambs 6.50 to 7.50.

## Minimum Prices Will Hold Briefly

The notice of minimum prices of tax foreclosed property in Sherman county is published in this issue of the Sherman County Journal. The sale of this property will begin June 13 and may be continued day by day. Those wishing to bid on property may do so by attending the sale or seeing the sheriff about it and placing a bid.

Cities have the right to take property in their city limits at the price bid. Notification will be given cities of the price bid and they will have 20 days to exercise their option. After the sale is concluded the county court will have the right to sell at any price but these minimum prices will prevail during the sale. Moneys derived from the sale will go to the county fund and will not be divided with other taxing units.

## World's Greatest Spectacle



The Grand Canyon is always described as the world's greatest spectacle by the thousands who visit it each year. There is nothing in the world which approaches it in form, size and color. From Bright Angel Point on the north rim, the canyon is thirteen miles across and has an average depth of a mile. Grand Canyon was made a national park in 1919.

## Students May Not Be Drafted

University of Oregon, May 29—Although actual deferment rests with local boards, university students will in many cases be given an opportunity to continue their studies next year, it was declared here by Dr. Earl M. Pallett, executive secretary of the University of Oregon, who spoke recently before a meeting of men eligible to selective service.

Students who are in their second, third or fourth year of work at the university and who prefer to complete their requirements for graduation should request deferment for six months, with renewal he pointed out. The rumor that only upperclassmen nearing graduation would be deferred is not true, he declared. Students applying for such deferment should have at least average grades, however, he said.

Apparently the tendency is to allow students to finish their university work whenever possible and when it will be in the best interests of the students, Mr. Pallett stated. All decisions rest with the local boards, since there are no arbitrary rules or regulations regarding such cases.

Chris Taylor was up from the river this week attending to business.