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NOTE

Today is election day. The newspapers and others who have the public ear—of no attention for the past weeks have been saying that this election will have fewer participants than usual.

Many of the heavy cares of the world today have been caused by a lack of interest in government. Common people don't make wars. Wars are made for them by leaders who take power when the common people go to sleep.

We have sent our sons to fight all over the world for the avowed purpose of retaining our democracy. Yet democracies are lost because of lack of interest on the part of the people more often than from attacks from the outside.

Few people are so busy they cannot vote, not in this county anyway. Voters may stay away from the polls because they have paid no attention to the election and feel they are not qualified to cast a ballot, or because they have no interest in it.

The election is important. Political parties are going to nominate the men who will contest for the election this fall. If good men are not nominated they can not be elected. Our type of government succeeds only when it is placed in charge of competent men.

BONDS

It is estimated with a high degree of accuracy that the gross income of Sherman county in 1941 was \$3,500,000. It was a good year, and the wheat brought a good price, making the income somewhat exceptional.

It is now estimated that the county has bought something less than \$175,000 in war bonds, not much less but a little. This is figured at par value and the cost to the buyers was a little over \$141,000.

The estimated par value is an even five percent of the county's income.

This county has about 120 men and boys serving the nation as soldiers, sailors, and marines. More will be going every month. In order to do their job, in order to protect their own lives, the lives and the property of those at home they need equipment. To get to the battle fields the nation must have ships, and if we do not go to the battle fields, the battle fields will come to us.

There must be planes, and tanks, and trucks, and guns, and ammunition, and food and clothing. These must be brought to the army every day, every hour, every minute, or the army is as helpless as any group of men standing on any street.

After the men are in the army there is little that at home can do but support them by sending equipment. They fight with bombs, we fight with bonds.

Oregon is ahead in the sale of bonds. Sherman county is near the top in the sale of bonds in Oregon on a per capita basis. We have gone ahead of other counties because we had a larger per capita income. We are not ahead of other counties in percentage of income used for bonds. Our sacrifice has been slight.

There may not be much money in the county now; there will be within a few months. It is not too soon to plan on making a patriotic investment.

Sherman county's quota is based on the value of the bonds sold in this county. To date it has been impossible for this county to obtain credit for bonds purchased outside the county. The local committee is trying to change the situation, but as the ruling is made in Washington it is hard to change.

AT HOME, ALL WEEK

Word from Washington is that tire and gasoline rationing is but in its infancy, that before long there will be almost no driving for fun, no trips for personal pleasure, none of the usual going and coming we have come to think indispensable to our happiness.

We are, as one commentator puts it, due for a "front porch summer."

Grandpa didn't know any other kind of a summer, unless it was a "hay field" summer. Now and then he and grandma and all the kids drove over to the neighbors for a Sunday of eating, talking, farming and visiting. For Grandpa Sunday was a day of rest and he so conducted himself during the week that rest was welcome.

We are much better equipped than grandpa was to spend a summer quietly at home. We have the radio. Listening to it isn't always restful but it does help to take our mind off the week's mistakes. We have books in quantity whereas grandpa had the Bible and the family doctor book. We can obtain a magazine for a whole year for the cost of a Sunday drive and can subscribe to a newspaper that will bring us the happenings at home and abroad for a small part of what we will have to save.

The urge to go someplace else has grown on Americans rapidly since Henry Ford popularized the automobile. The family car has been the release from the prosaic; it took (we may as well use the past tense) us to the mountains, the shore, the show, to far-off places we didn't look at after we had arrived. Trips made us tramps who didn't know how to enjoy ourselves at home.

As the popular song says, "It's all over now". We might as well make the best of it. Get acquainted with the neighbors, take down that book we have intended to read, do something to make the home and the home town a better place to stay in—for Uncle Sam says that is where we are going to stay.

From the looks of the map the Germans are going to have some difficulty getting oil from the Caucasus even if they do get their army across the peninsula. There are mountains, water, and Russians in the way.

In Other Days

From the Observer May 22, 1905

A. B. Potter of Klondike is busy getting telephones for the farmers. It will be very convenient to the majority of them. One can hear bells ringing at all hours.

Mr. Wells, Harry King, Roy Vinton and Chas. French took a fishing trip last week. They report good success.

J. J. Schaeffer's vicien was burglarized of ice cream a few nights ago. It disappeared thru the window instead of the front door.

B. F. Peetz returned from the Portland Business College Sunday and once more took up his position as manager of the Kent Com. Co.

From the Observer May 16, 1913

Robert Eleock is an assistant with O. A. Ramsey in the construction of the new barn on the R. C. Bennet farm south of Grass Valley. When finished this will be one of the best barns in Sherman county.

A. M. Wright has sold his black driving mare to F. A. Savrs. He says that he was forced to get an automobile because Charlie Belshee had one and therefore had no more hay in his barn for him when he came to town. A. M. got one on Charlie by making him put up the hay in liquid form of gasoline for his to-town visits.

Miss Marjorie Rose will graduate from the Moro High school this year as the pioneer of the regular four years' course. The exercises will be held in the high school room at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, May 22. Rev. A. J. Adams will deliver the address.

From the Observer May 18, 1923

Class day exercises of the class of '23 of Moro high school were held in the school auditorium on Friday, May 11th. The class poem was read in true metrical rhythm by Orval Thompson, having been composed by himself and Francis Anderson. The class history was interestingly plowed thru by Opal Powell.

Edmond Stephens and Owen Searcy were the co-authors of the very illogical and far-fetched class prophecy. The class will, written by Mildred Ginn and Merguerite Foss, was read by Mildred.

Miss Naomi Young took her pupils to Tygh Valley for a picnic last Monday.

A nine pound girl arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Mobern Sunday morning at Kent

Kelly's Column

(Continued from page one) gested that as much food as names and locations of these Oregon plants have been submitted to the proper authorities, together with the daily tonnage capacity. Also submitted is a list of the fruits and vegetables grown in Oregon that can be processed by this method.

Unless someone upsets the applecart The Dalles will have two industrial plants: they may have been officially announced by the time this item appears. One is to be a stainless steel plant and the other a chemical plant. Other sections of the northwest have been trying to pull these industries for themselves and a hard drag has been made by Montana. LaGrande also is being considered for a plant of some description, but those who are familiar with the situation refuse to discuss it, explaining that a tiff would start other communities after it.

An educational order has been given to a Portland concern to manufacture gas masks for the civilian population.

Statehouse Gossip

(Continued from page one) Wallace battling it out for the nomination, and Grover C. Fretwell, the third candidate, an "also ran."

While local contests are expected to bring out a sizeable vote in some communities the prediction is still for one of the lightest turn-outs in Oregon's history with probably not more than 40 percent of the registrants availing themselves of the voting privilege.

Financial concerns and printers and publishers reaped the greatest benefits under the experience rating provision of the unemployment compensation act, according to a report by the commission.

The busy little bee of the honey making variety is not to be deprived of its normal quota of sugar, rationing or no rationing. The state department of agriculture has been advised that under revised regulations bee-keepers may obtain sugar for feeding their bees by making application in proper form. Due to the lateness of the season many Oregon bee-keepers are said to be still feeding their colonies.

Sale of 20,209 pounds of cascara bark from the Elliott State forest is reported by the state forestry department. The \$653.49 received from this sale went to enrich the state's irreducible school fund as do all revenues from this forest.

The ban against log hauling on Saturday afternoons and Sundays during the vacation season is off for the duration. Gov. Sprague has asked the highway commission to lift this ban in the interest of greater production by the lumber industry in order to meet military requirements.

If Harold L. Ickes, petroleum co-ordinator, heeds the advice of Secretary of State Earl Snell, Oregon motorists will not be restricted in the gasoline purchases for a while, at least. Snell, in a telegram to Ickes pointed out that storage facilities in the Northwest are now filled to capacity, with more than 1,000,000 gallons of gasoline and other light petroleum products arriving in Oregon daily. Gasoline curtailment in this area is absolutely unnecessary in Snell's opinion.

Moro Lodge No. 113, I. O. O. F. Moro, Oregon Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesdays in the I. O. O. F. hall. Transient and visiting brothers are cordially invited to meet with us.

Paul May, N. G. Percy Thompson, Sec.

Bethlehem Chapter, No. 780. E. S. Moro, Oregon Meets Every Second and Fourth Thursdays in each Month. Visiting members Invited

Marie Hoskinson, W. M. Pauline Douma, Sec.

Eureka Lodge No. 121 A-F & A-M Meets on the 1st and 3rd Thursday evenings of each month. Visiting members are cordially invited to meet with us.

Darwin Van Gilder, W. M. C. V. Belknap, Secretary Lupine Rebekah Lodge No. 116 Moro, Oregon

Meets 2d & 4th Tuesday of each month. Visiting members welcome. Lucille May, N. G. Florence Johnston, Sec.

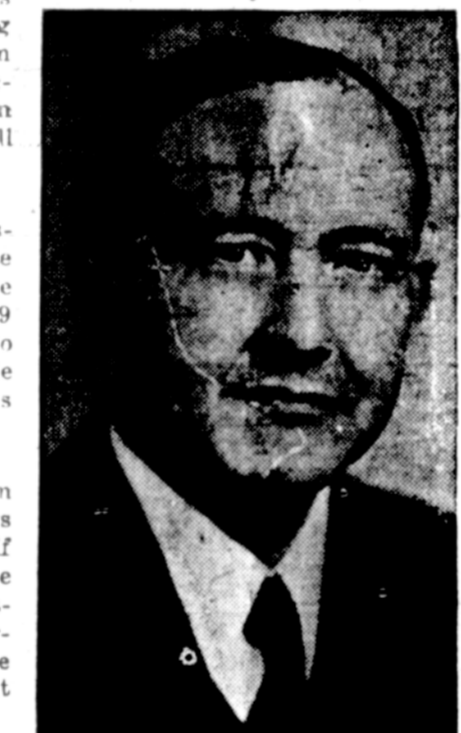
Rufus School Graduation Set For Tuesday

The students and teachers of the Rufus High school were hosts to the senior class and their parents at a banquet last Friday evening. Willard Left acted as toastmaster for the occasion. The welcome was given by Roger Plackburne, with responses from Donald Bryant, president of the senior class; Bill Huck, representing the parents; and Curtis Tom, for the school board. Betty Morris gave the class history, Bob Huck the class will, and Vurl Plackburne the class prophecy. Short talks were given also by Mr. Hollinshead and Miss Hoover, faculty. The program ended with a musical skit by Mrs. Russell Hollinshead and Betty Bryant. There were thirty guests present for the occasion.

The Rufus High school graduating class will hold its Baccalaureate exercises in the Rufus church Sunday evening, May 17, at 8:00 p.m. Rev. Leland Salisbury will be the speaker. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Tuesday, May 19, graduation exercises will be held in the Rufus Gym for the four members of the Senior class—Betty Jane Morris, Donald Bryant, Robert Huck, Vurl Plackburne. The speaker will be Mr. Dan Poling, assistant dean of men at Oregon State college. Mr. Poling was principal of schools at Maupin for a number of years, and is known to many people in Sherman county.

Keep Oregon in the Lead by KEEPING Oregon's Leader



Oregon had the first Air Observer Group organized Oregon has the leadership in Civilian Defense. Oregon is in the lead in Selective Service, by registering women and school children to harvest vegetable crops and by training men for defense jobs.

Oregon is ahead in the sale of war bonds.

Oregon is in the lead in progress toward industrial peace.

In all matters pertaining to the war effort Oregon's leadership has been the best.

Oregon's present tax policy is a better one for Sherman county than any so far proposed. Charles A. Sprague has been, and will be a good governor, fair, competent, industrious, and not swayed by politics.

paid adv.

OREGON WINS CONTEST FOR PEDESTRIAN SAFETY

Oregon's award for winning first place in the national Pedestrian protection contest, sponsored by the American Automobile Association will be presented to state officials late in June, according to Dr. E. B. McDaniel, president of the Oregon Motor Association, local affiliation of the A.A.A.

By winning the Pedestrian competition, announced last week, Oregon made a clean sweep of the national safety contests for the year having already been awarded top honors in the National Safety Council contest.

The Pedestrian Protection award was based upon several factors including a reduced pedestrian death rate, a state wide safety program, and safety engineering to safeguard users of streets and highways, McDaniel reports.

Last year Oregon finished in a tie for second place in the pedestrian contest.

The conspicuous utterance of thought, by speech or action, to any end, is Art.—Emerson.

NOTICE OF EXPIRATION OF REDEMPTION PERIOD

PUBLISHED NOTICE is hereby given that I, C. C. Wilson, Sheriff and Tax Collector for Sherman County, State of Oregon, immediately after the 28th day of May, 1942, will issue to said Sherman County, Oregon, a deed covering certain real properties all being located in Sherman County, Oregon, and all being described in the Judgment and Decree hereinafter mentioned, unless such properties be redeemed on or before the said

28th day of May, 1942, from a tax foreclosure sale to said Sherman County, Oregon, made on the 27th day of February, 1941, pursuant to a Judgment and Decree of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Sherman County, made and entered on the 24th day of February, 1941, foreclosing certain certificates of delinquency heretofore issued against said properties, the period of redemption for said properties expiring on said 28th day of May, 1942, and

That all of said properties ordered sold to Sherman County, Oregon under said Judgment and Decree, unless redeemed on or before said 28th day of May, 1942, will be deemed to said Sherman County, Oregon immediately after said 28th day of May, 1942, and on the execution of such deed to said Sherman County, Oregon, as aforesaid, each and all of said properties not so redeemed will be forever forfeited to said Sherman County, Oregon, and every

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WE'LL Keep 'em rolling TO HELP 'KEEP 'EM FLYING' Materials—and still more material—for planes, tanks, guns must be delivered to a multitude of industrial plants. Troops must be transported to military camps. It's an important job the railroads are doing today and Union Pacific is proud to do its share.

Table with columns: Fund and Classification, Actual for Year Ending Dec. 31, 1939, 1940, 1941, Budget for 1st 3 mo., 1st 6 mo., Estimates for Period July 1, 1942-June 30, 1943. Includes sections for GENERAL FUND, WATER FUND, MISCELLANEOUS, DEBT SERVICE, RECEIPTS OTHER THAN TAXES, and SUMMARY OF BUDGET ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURES RECEIPTS AND TAX LEVIES.