

Washington, D. C., June 19—Without formal declaration of war, the United States became an active partner of the allies. Complying with public sentiment, the administration has been giving England and France everything that could be spared until the equipment of the army (which was inadequate a month ago) is now almost at the zero point. In face of the fact that America is furnishing supplies of all sorts available and has appropriated \$50,000,000 to feed and clothe refugees in France and England, the allies asked for more—meaning American troops.

It has been an interesting study to watch the transformation of the American people (and the federal government) since May 10 when German troops invaded Holland, Belgium and Luxembourg. From a standoffish attitude and contention that "it is none of our business," sentiment grew to the point where the people are demanding that the United States "do everything" short of war to aid the allies. Nor does everyone stop there. Demands are also being received by the northwest delegations that the last barrier be removed and a declaration of war issued. Two months ago anyone who predicted this inflamed opinion was called a warmonger.

There is little more the United States can do. One more step would be extension of credit, which would knock the cash-and-carry neutrality into a cocked hat, or use of naval vessels to convoy merchant ships carrying supplies in American bottoms; giving (they won't be paid for if sold) the British the obsolete destroyers, and submarines which have been rusting in boneyards since the World war; turning over the 100-odd merchant ships which are 20 years old and are in charge of the federal maritime commission (Pacific northwest shippers have been unable to charter any of these ships); send surplus crops in addition to the fifty million dollars' worth voted last week; send the planes, tanks and trucks which the national defense commission is preparing to produce for the protection of Uncle Sam.

After all that has been done, and the possible additional aid enumerated, it is no wonder that the president rather tartly replied to the "last appeal" of the French premier for the United States to help immediately and declare war on Germany. The premier implied that defeat of the allies would be the fault of the United States.

Some slight benefit will be derived in Clark county, Washington, in Hood River, Wasco, Marion, Yamhill, Lane and Washington counties, Oregon, by Italy's entering the war. Action by Mussolini prevents importation of maraschino cherries, filberts and almonds which have competed with cherries and nuts grown in the northwest. For the "duration" the American market will be for the American producer.

Italy's act, on the other hand, cuts off markets of northwest fresh fruit, wheat and flour in 14 Mediterranean countries. Jerusalem, for example, was an attractive market for apples and pears.

Expecting, or hoping, for a famine in Europe, members of congress are being pressured to use their influence to have the crop policy of Secretary of Agriculture Wallace tossed out the window. Those advocating the "ever normal granary" program are arguing that grain growers should be permitted to cultivate as many acres as they desire. The secretary is not convinced that the wheat acreage should be expanded and points to the many mil-

lions of bushels of carry-over.

The most important subject that can be mentioned in the state department these days is the reciprocal trade policy which Secretary Hull believed would bring peace in the world. Countries, almost without exception, having trade agreements with the United States promptly disregarded them as the war flames spread. First section of the United States to suffer from the treaties was the Pacific northwest, when an agreement was made with Canada. The industries and communities which were protected by the treaties are now getting the same treatment as Oregon-Washington producers.

In any other presidential year the principal topic would be prospective candidates — with the Republican convention meeting next week—but there is a lack of interest in the national capital. Everyone is so busy discussing the war and America's chances of keeping out or getting in that what will happen to the booms of Taft, Dewey, Vandenberg, Wilkie and the rest is a matter of almost indifference to all but the candidates and delegates. Even representatives who are accustomed to inserting in the Congressional Record an undelivered speech to circulate under postal frank as campaign document are, as a rule, abstaining from the practice. The attitude on preparedness will elect or defeat any aspirant in November. There are rumors that a third party will be organized to bring to-

gether all voters who are afraid that either the Democratic or Republican party will lead the country into war.

LEXINGTON NEWS

Children Present Church Program

By MARGARET SCOTT

A Bible school program was presented before church Sunday evening. This gave the parents an opportunity to see the progress made by the children at their recent summer school.

Mrs. Lavilla Morris departed for her home after visiting at the Eslie Walker home for the last few weeks.

At the school meeting Monday Lorena Miller was elected clerk and Harry Dinges was elected for the school board.

Mr. and Mrs. James Leach returned home Monday from a week spent in Portland and at Cannon Beach.

A group of cars were involved in an accident on the road from the grange hall dance Saturday evening. No one was seriously injured.

Mr. and Mrs. Moffat Dennis and son were week-end visitors in Portland. They were accompanied home by Mrs. Dennis' brother, Carleton Tinkhem.

Miss Donna Leathers of Vancouver is a guest of her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Carmichael.

Guests at the Eslie Walker home Thursday were Lorena Isom, Delsie Chapel, May Burnside, Ted Burn-

side and daughters.

Harry Munkers of Ione was a business visitor in town Monday.

Mabel Gale and children of Portland are visiting at the Sylvannus Wright home.

Mrs. Ted Blake of Ione was a visitor here Monday.

Mr and Mrs. Gene Gray are spending the week at their Hermiston farm.

A group of local people enjoyed picnicking in the mountains Sunday.

MAKE HONOR ROLL

Kathryn Parker of Heppner and La Vern Baker of Boardman were two Morrow county students making the scholastic honor roll at Eastern Oregon College of Education for the spring quarter ending June 4. In order to earn a place on the honor roll, a student must make a minimum average grade of B in all courses and must carry at least 12

quarter hours work. Miss Baker and Lois Messenger of Boardman and Erret Hummel, superintendent of schools at Ione, are enrolled in the summer session at the La Grande school.

OPENING FOR ENROLLEES

Applications for enrollees in the Civilian Conservation corps are now available at the office of the Morrow County Welfare committee, according to Mrs. Clara Beamer, office manager. Youths between ages of 17 and 23 are eligible and those desiring to enter the service should make application at once in order to be in line for placement in July, Mrs. Beamer states. There may be openings for some replacements locally.

CHECK SPARKPLUS

Sparkplugs should be cleaned and checked for proper spark gap at least every 3,000 miles, according to the Oregon State Motor association.

NOTICE

To the holders of the Morrow County Warrants listed below:

Table with columns: Fund, Warrant No., Date of Issuance, To whom issued, Amount. Lists various warrants for General, Gen. Roads, and Spec. Roads.

You are hereby notified, that unless the above warrants are presented for payment to the County Treasurer of Morrow County, Oregon, within 60 days after July 1, 1940, an order will be made by the County Court, as provided by law, cancelling all said warrants, not so presented, and thereafter payment will be refused.

Dated this 17th day of June, 1940.

C. W. BARLOW, Clerk of the County Court.

A LOT HAS HAPPENED IN THOSE 30 YEARS



WHY YES, I REMEMBER...

1910



1915

Earth passed through tail of Halley's comet... Arizona and New Mexico admitted to the Union... Amundsen discovered south pole... steamship Titanic struck iceberg... Panama canal opened... first World War started... U. S. Marines take Vera Cruz, Mexico.

1915



1920

First transcontinental telephone conversation... U.S. entered World War... Bolsheviks seized Russia... first regular air mail... daylight saving time inaugurated... Armistice signed... prohibition adopted.

1920



1925

League of Nations organized... King Tut's tomb discovered... Gandhi began passive resistance campaign in India... Mussolini forms new Italian government... Hitler imprisoned following beer hall putsch.

1925



1930

Nellie Ross of Wyoming became first woman governor... Lindbergh flew to Paris... Hoover elected President... Soviets start five year plan... Graf Zeppelin carried 20 passengers around world... stock market crashed... Papal State recreated as Vatican City.

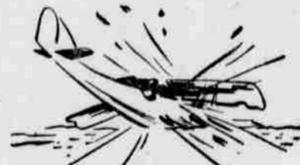
1930



1935

France withdrew from Rhine... England and other European nations went off gold standard... Roosevelt elected President... Lindbergh baby kidnapped... Chino-Japanese war started... bank holiday declared... NRA in operation... Dillinger killed by FBI.

1935



1940

German Jews lost citizenship... Will Rogers and Wiley Post killed in airplane crash... Spanish civil war... Charles Mattson kidnapped... dirigible Hindenburg burned at Lakehurst... Germany seized neighbors... two world fairs... Roosevelt changed Thanksgiving date... second World War started.

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