

**COMMANDANT
URGES STATE
GUARD UNIT HERE**

Pursuing a previous proposal for organization of a rifle club to carry on guerilla tactics in case of invasion, J. O. Turner read a communication from Oregon State Guard Commander Ralph P. Cowgill, at Monday's Lions luncheon.

Turner said that arrangements have been made to register all men with rifles, interested in joining such a club, at the sheriff's office, and encouraged immediate sign-up.

Cowgill wrote, "In the Pendleton area a battalion of the Oregon State Guard is in the process of organization. Units are under way at Kinzua, Echo and Pendleton. A rifle company at Heppner will materially strengthen this battalion.

"The entire State Guard under certain enemy conditions will probably be required to use guerilla tactics and every unit of the Guard will receive special training in guerilla warfare. Guerilla tactics to be successful must be completely controlled and that can be done only by the organization of these groups into regular units of the State Guard which in turn will be coordinated with the regular army. Separate or uncontrolled organizations can do much damage to themselves and endanger the safety of others.

"The Oregon State Guard is organized to repel enemy invasion. It is not organized for guard duties of any kind. If such tasks are assigned to the State Guard, additional troops who are able to give the required time for such duty, will be enlisted. Units of the State Guard will function in their own locality unless, under emergency, it is imperative that they be called elsewhere. In that event, sacrifices would necessarily have to be made by all.

"It is suggested that a survey be made of the possibilities in your community for a company of sixty men with a minimum of ten and a maximum of 157 enlisted as reserves for replacements. The company will consist of the following: 1 captain, 1 1st lieutenant, 1 2nd lieutenant, 7 sergeants, 7 corporals, 46 enlisted men.

"It will be necessary for the personnel of the Oregon State Guard to furnish their own arms, ammunition and clothing. The term of enlistment will be for one year. The ages for enlisted men should be between twenty and sixty-four. Physical examination will be required for the officers but not for the enlisted men. Anyone who is apt to be called by the Selective Service within the immediate future should be excluded.

"I am particularly anxious that good officers be obtained for each of these units as time is not available to train officer personnel. Preference should be given men who have had previous military experience providing they have the necessary qualities of leadership and the respect of the community."

Mr. Turner also told of attending an air raid warden demonstration at Pendleton the end of the week, which he termed successful, and in his capacity as county coordinator of civilian defense said immediate steps would be taken to strengthen this service in Morrow county.

**Community Heads
Named for Red Cross**

Community chairmen appointed at a special meeting of the Morrow county Red Cross chapter Monday night include Mrs. Mabel Hughes, Lena community; Mrs. Marvin Brannon, Hardman, and Mrs. O. W. Cutsforth, Lexington. All officers and chairmen, including the community chairmen will constitute a board for the county chapter.

An annual budget was adopted at the meeting. The local chapter will retain over 50 percent of the cash on hand in a reserve fund, Rose Leibbrand, county chairman, reported. Auditing of the books is expected to be completed this week by Mrs. James Thomson, Jr., and Miss Virginia Humphreys.

Harold Buhman, water safety chairman, will hold regular swimming classes this summer, it was announced. If possible, a registered Red Cross representative will be brought here to give the final examinations.

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Wool Subsidy Not Liked By Hoke; War Take Large

Better Game Management Needed to Boost Sheep Figures

Proposed subsidization of sheep raising as contemplated by the Steagall amendment holds no promise for those established in the industry, said Mac Hoke, president of Oregon Wool Growers association before a dinner meeting of Morrow County Wool Growers and auxiliary at the Episcopal parish house Monday evening. Hoke said this subsidy contemplated assisting small farmers in raising twenty or so head of sheep, the majority of which would be situated closer to market and would be sold in a manner to depress the market for larger operators situated at a distance.

Mr. Hoke was accompanied by Walter Holt, secretary of the state association; Carl Ewing, supervisor Umatilla National forest, and J. G. Clouston, range supervisor for Umatilla National forest.

In introducing Mr. Hoke, Harold Cohn, president of the county wool growers, said that while problems now confronting growers were not as serious as many faced in the past, it was vital that organization work, be kept up to meet the more serious problems certain to arise in future.

Hoke described the past year one of the most favorable in every respect that growers could hope to encounter, and gave little hope that the present year would be as good.

He cited figures showing the tremendous increase of wool consumption for war purposes—it requiring 300 pounds of wool in the grease to equip one soldier his first year in the service, 100 pounds the second year, and this in the face of constantly declining sheep numbers the last several years. It seemed probable that very little wool will be left for civilian needs.

He gave range congestion as one of the factors influencing the reduction in sheep population, and offered as a solution a better cropping plan for wild game. An example cited was the increase in elk population in the local forest district from 200 head in 1915 to 10,000 head at latest count.

Ladies of the church served a delicious leg-of-lamb dinner to the assembled guests.

**ANGLING SEASON
START SATURDAY**

The general angling season for trout six inches or over in length opens Saturday, April 18, in all sections of the state with the exception of Baker, Grant, Harney, Lake, Umatilla, Union, Wallowa, Wheeler and Malheur counties, where the opening is postponed until May 2.

The bag limit remains the same as last year, 15 fish or 15 pounds and one fish in any one day, but not to exceed 30 fish or 30 pounds and two fish in any seven consecutive days or in possession at any one time. The angler, however, should consult the synopsis of angling regulations issued by the game commission for a list of waters having special seasons and bag limits.

Resident angling license fee is \$3 but a combination hunting and fishing license may be secured for \$5. Resident juveniles from the age of 14 up to but not including 18 years of age may secure an angling license for \$1, while those under 14 years of age do not need a license but must observe other regulations in regard to seasons and limits.

Edward Y. Hunt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Hunt of Lexington has been promoted to a sergeant. He is in the office of the Ninth corps area chaplain at Ft. Douglas, Utah.

May Day Festivities For Schools All Set

May 1st is to be a gala day in Heppner with all the county participating in the spring festival. Final arrangements have been made for enjoyable entertainments.

The morning will be given over to a track and field meet under the direction of Lyle Eddy of Irrigon.

Everyone is cordially invited to bring a basket lunch and enjoy a good old-fashioned picnic at noon. The Lions club and chamber of commerce will provide coffee and chocolate.

Following the lunch there will be festival folk dancing and the May pole, under the direction of Misses Frances Weaver and Margaret Wright. These events will be held on the lawn.

Promptly at 2 o'clock the music festival will be held in the gymnasium of the Heppner school. The following directors have been chosen: Primary, Miss June Yarnell, Ione; intermediate, Mrs. Maude Ko-

bow, Boardman; upper grades, Mrs. Ila Mae Starr, Irrigon; high school groups—girls glee, Miss Dorothy Davolt, Heppner; boys glee, Mrs. Rachel Dick, Ione; mixed chorus, Mrs. Rachel Dick; combined chorus, Mrs. Ila Mae Starr. Accompanists: Rose Hoosier, Heppner; high school groups, Mrs. Juanita Carmichael, Lexington. Band: Mrs. Rachel Dick, Harold Buhman, Winston Bunnell.

The music directors will visit the schools to sing with the children April 20 and 21. There is a change in the previously arranged schedule:

Monday, April 20: Boardman 9 to 10:15; Irrigon, 10:30 to 12; Pine City, 1 to 2:15; Lexington, 2:40 to 3:45.

Tuesday, April 21: Hardman 9 to 10:15; Liberty, 11:15 to 12; Heppner, 1 to 2:15; Ione, 2:40 to 3:45.

Be sure and tell all your friends about the spring festival. Come on, let's make our spring festival this year something long to be remembered, reports the committee in charge.

E. H. Miller Takes Over New Duties As AAA Field Man

Why Quotas Must be Voted to Save Price Told Local Group

Upon receiving notification of his appointment as AAA field man in charge of ten Oregon counties last Friday, E. Harvey Miller of this city immediately started upon his new duties. He assumes the position held by the late Earl Thompson of Umatilla county, and this week is in Corvallis on business connected with his new duties.

Mr. Miller made his first official visit here last Friday when he appeared before the county AAA committee to explain the world wheat situation, from which conclusion was made that marketing quotas must be voted at the May 2 referendum if the present level of wheat prices is to be sustained.

He pointed out that the Agricultural Adjustment act provides that whenever domestic supplies plus estimated production equal 135 percent of domestic consumption plus export, marketing quotas go into effect provided they are sanctioned by a majority of growers.

A 630 bushel carry-over is indicated as of next July first, and estimated production on 55 million acres planted for 1942 at 14½ bushels an acre, makes an estimated production of 840 million bushels for a grand total of 1430 million bushels.

Last year, Miller cited, with a 62 million acre allotment, 56 million acres were harvested for a 940 million bushel crop, an average of 17 bushels to the acre. Last year's average was an all-time high, however, so a medium was struck for this year, with prospects again good between the long-time average of 12½ bushels and last year's high of 17 bushels.

To dispose of the big supply, Miller gave estimates as follows: food, 550 million bushels; seed, 55 million bushels; livestock, 100 million bushels, and exports, 50 million bushels for a grand total of 755 million bushels, leaving a carryover of 675 million bushels, an increase over this year's expected carryover, and an impressive figure whether it be varied a hundred million or so bushels one way or another.

With similar situations existing in other wheat raising countries, and little possibility of disposing of surplus to countries at war where the stocks might be used, Miller pointed out that there was nothing in the supply and demand picture to guarantee growers any kind of a price in event the quotas are not voted and the present government loan retained.

Clyde Kiddle, assistant from the state AAA office, explained the procedure in conducting the referendum and assisted in organizing this part of the work, and Elmer Ludwick state crop loan administrator, also assisted in hearing recommendations of the county committee for any changes it might have in carrying out or altering the present Agricultural Adjustment act.

Hunters-Anglers Start Crow-Magpie Drive

Elimination of more of Morrow county's predatory bird population is the aim of another crow-magpie drive started by Morrow County Hunters and Anglers club at a meeting last evening.

Following the custom of previous years prizes are being offered for killing birds and collecting eggs, as follows: First prize \$5, second \$3 and third \$2. Points will be based on pairs of legs of birds killed, and for eggs.

Announcement of where the trophies will be taken will be made next week. A cent apiece for eggs and feet will be paid in addition to the prizes.

Paul Brown, Cecil Espey Thot Among Defenders of Bataan

Mr. and Mrs. Chris P. Brown of this city anxiously await word from their son, Paul, believed to have been on Bataan peninsula, which recently fell into the hands of the Japanese. Equally anxious is Mrs. Cecil Espey (nee Patricia Mahoney), formerly of this city and now in Los Angeles, whose husband was also believed to have been a defender of Bataan.

Last word from each of the men was received about the same time, it presumably having been brought from Bataan when General Douglas MacArthur and party made their daring escape.

Paul was in army service while Mr. Espey was with the corps of naval engineers assigned to the Philippines. He had been assigned to Cavite more than a year before the outbreak of hostilities, and Mrs. Espey was with him there up to the time women were evacuated several months before the islands were attacked.

14 More First Aiders Complete Initial Work

Bud Hanlon turned out his second class in beginning Red Cross first aid last night, and announces that organization of an advanced class will be made in the Church of Christ basement tomorrow, Friday, evening, with class work to start next Tuesday evening. The time of this organization meeting will be 6:30 o'clock.

The fourteen members of the class finishing last night are Effie Andrews, Faye Ashbaugh, Marie Barlow, Helen Doherty, May Gilliam, E. E. Gilliam, Anna Graham, Ellen Hanlon, Edna Hughes, Bonnie McClintock, Tress McClintock, Mary Nikander, Lois Redding, Lee A. Sprinkel, Elaine Sigsbee, Fred Wehmeyer.

Occupational Quizzes Going to 3rd Draftees

Morrow county local selective service board will mail occupational questionnaires to the registrants of the third registration on April 17th.

Ten days will be allowed for completing and returning the questionnaires to the office of the local board. For those registrants who would like to have assistance in the filling out of these questionnaires there will be a representative of the United States employment service at the office of the local board on April 25th and 26th between the hours of 10 a. m. and 9 p. m.

Jimmy Morgan and family from Lonerock were visitors in the city yesterday.

FOURTH DRAFT SIGNING ON 27TH

Judge Bert Johnson announces that Morrow county local board is completing preparations for the 4th Selective Service registration.

All men who attained the forty-fifth anniversary of their birth on or before February 16, 1942, and who have not attained the sixty-fifth anniversary of the day of their birth on April 27, 1942, and who have not heretofore been registered under the Selective Service Act of 1940, will be required to register on April 27, 1942.

Arrangements are being made to have places of registration at Irrigon, Boardman, Ione, Lexington and Hardman and it is hoped that it will be possible to have these registration points located at the same places in these cities as they were in the February 16th registration. Complete details concerning these registration places will be announced next week.

The office of Morrow county local board will be open for registrations during the hours from 8 a. m. until 9 p. m. on April 25th and 26th, and from 7 a. m. until 9 p. m. on April 27th.

To relieve criticism of those voluntarily serving with the selective service, including board members, doctors, appeal agent, etc., who have their own businesses to attend to, Mrs. Grace M. Turner, secretary, calls attention to the fact that all except herself are serving without pay.

GOP VOTERS LEAD

With possibly a few precincts yet to report, tabulation of registration figures for the May 15 primaries following closing of the books on Monday showed 1216 republicans, 721 democrats, and 24 others, reported Chas. W. Barlow, clerk, this morning.

CLINIC SLATED

A pre-school clinic to be held at the Episcopal parish house Tuesday, April 21, at 1:15 p. m., is being sponsored by American Legion auxiliary. Call Mrs. Harold Cohn for appointment.

CANDIDATE VISITS

Marvin Klemme of Burns, republican candidate for congress from the second district, was calling in the city yesterday in behalf of his candidacy.

CON CARTY PASSES

Friends and relatives here have received word of the passing of Con Carty of Spray, who died Tuesday. Funeral services were set for Condon tomorrow.

Food sale, Saturday, April 18, at 10:30 a. m. Case Furniture store, sponsored by Methodist ladies.