

A Week of the War

(Summary of information on the important developments of the week made available by official sources through 5 p.m., EWT, Monday, May 11.)

The Office of Price Administration announced amounts of gasoline that motorists in 17 eastern seaboard states will be granted upon presentation of rationing cards from May 15 to July 1. After July 1 another rationing system will be placed in effect.

Drivers for pleasure or those who drive less than six miles a day will receive 21 gallons, or an average of three gallons a week for the 47-day period. Motorists who drive from six to ten miles a day will receive 33 gallons for the period; those who drive from 10 to 14 miles daily, 45 gallons; and drivers of 14 or more miles daily, 57 gallons. Persons whose vehicles are necessary to their employment, such as physicians and ministers, will receive unlimited supplies. The OPA estimated that about one-third of all motorists in the area will be classed as non-essential and limited to three gallons weekly.

Preliminary figure showed 123 million persons, approximately 91 percent of the total population, registered for sugar rationing. Nearly seven million persons were refused War Ration Book No. 1 because they already held more than six pounds of sugar. The OPA also reported persons or businesses needing a typewriter may rent a used machine or a new portable directly from any dealer. War Production Chairman Nelson said emergency coal rationing is probable unless consumers immediately build up their reserve supplies to "the limit of storage capacity."

Production and Conversion

The War Department said the Chicago Ordnance District is about to produce more tanks and tractors monthly than it produced in the entire World War I period. The Maritime Commission reported U. S. shipyards delivered 36 merchant vessels in April. Fifty-one vessels, double the January number, were launched during the month. The WPB established a services branch

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Pictures, Bond Talks Interest Large Group

Commendation was given Morrow county for its leading the state in sale of war savings bonds by Ray Conway, state administrator, before a large audience at the gym-auditorium Tuesday evening. Conway, nephew of the late Mrs. A. L. Ayers, recalled attending the Matteson school near Parkers Mill for a few months as a boy. Oregon has always had a top place in patriotic endeavors which has been maintained in the sale of war bonds throughout the nation, and it is now being looked to as a pattern in the present program of voluntary purchase of war savings bonds, he said. "We must and will maintain that record," he emphasized.

Introduced by P. W. Mahoney, county war bond sales chairman, Conway, and his deputies, George Godfrey and Alan Rinehart, spoke preceding the showing of five reels of movie scenes of actual war, shown by high school students. The pictures depicted an attack on the Norwegian coast by British commandos, repulse of the German invasion of Moscow, the great fires of London set by German bombs and heroic effort of firemen, action by anti-aircraft gun crews in England, and the Jap bombing of Honolulu.

Godfrey, who will leave shortly for Fort Douglas to be inducted into the army on June 2 as a second lieutenant, told of appreciation of the cooperation he had received in his work since the start of the bond selling, and Rinehart, who will succeed him as deputy administrator, told of the various plans put into effect to make war bond purchases a regular and convenient thing. He encouraged all employers to put the payroll deduction plan into effect, and business and professional men to take advantage of the bank authorization plan, whereby a set amount is deducted from the customers bank account each month for purchase of war bonds.

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28 Seniors Slated For Graduation

By H. H. S. May 22

Banquet, Prom, Baccalaureate Feature Closing Week

The junior-senior banquet at the Parish House tomorrow evening, followed by junior prom at the gym starts the final week of activity for 28 seniors of Heppner high school. (The list of graduates with activities, tentatively announced with final exams next week yet to determine graduation eligibility, will be found in another column.)

Sunday evening baccalaureate exercises will be held at the gym, beginning at 8 o'clock. Father Francis McCormick will bring the address, and other local ministers will assist.

Heppner and Ione high schools will join in an all-school picnic Friday next week, with the commencement exercises following that evening. Dr. Walter G. Giersbach, president of Pacific university will bring the commencement address.

A senior assembly program will be given at 2:30 Tuesday afternoon.

The Sunday evening baccalaureate will include prelude, Chopin, pianist, Mary Lou Ferguson; processional, Grand Mach (Aida), Verdi, pianist, Norbert E. Peavy; invocation, Rev. B. Howe; song, Prayer of Thanksgiving, Old Dutch melody, mixed chorus group; scripture reading, Rev. Sterl Spies; baccalaureate sermon, Father McCormick; song, Noon, C. Harris, sung by Dorothea Wilson, Patty O'Harra, Peggy Tamlyn; benediction, Rev. B. Howe; recessional.

GRADE SCHOOL TO GRADUATE 18

Commencement exercises for the eighth grade of the Heppner Elementary school will be held in the gym-auditorium on Wednesday, May 20, at 8 p.m.

The program includes invocation, Rev. Bennie Howe; song, "Herdbells," upper grade girls; address, Lucy E. Rodgers; presentation of music awards, Rose Hoosier; presentation of American Legion Auxiliary awards, Millie Evans; presentation of diplomas, Supt. A. H. Blankenship; song, grade school chorus; benediction, Rev. Bennie Howe.

Members of this year's class are John Paul Aiken, Francis Connor, Jr., Roger Wayne Connor, Henry Crump, Frances Louise Frederickson, Betty Jean Lovgren, Glen E. McMurry, Colleen Anne Miller, Edwin Harvey Miller, Jr., Jennette Renoe, Doris Edna Seehafer, Irene Lavonne Sparks, Maxine Elizabeth Smith, Edwin Stanley Tucker, George Eldon Tucker, William Calvin Ulrich, Bobby Van Schoiack, Junior Wright.

ATTEND MASONIC MEET

A large delegation of local Masons were in Echo Friday evening to attend a banquet and ceremonial in honor of the 75th anniversary of the Echo lodge. Those attending included J. O. Turner, Howard Bryant, Bob Rynnion, L. D. Tibbles, C. J. D. Bauman, Blaine E. Isom, Ray McAlister, George Howard, Kenneth House and Tom Wilson. The next evening Blaine E. Isom represented the local lodge at the tenth annual Eastern Oregon Masonic meeting at LaGrande.

WIN AT SOFTBALL

Heppner high's Mustangs won a softball game from Lexington there Monday afternoon, 8-7. They played at Ione yesterday. They will meet Pendleton in a tennis match there Friday.

Dance at Lexington grange hall set for Saturday, May 16, will be postponed until May 30 on account of musicians being ill.

No Relief Seen For Farm Labor Shortage

Those who think the labor supply shortage now is serious, will know what a real shortage is a year from now, said Captain Bauman with the state Selective Service, at a meeting of farm labor groups at Arlington, reports C. D. Conrad, county agent, who attended. Bauman stated that there are around 3 million men in the army now whereas there will be 9 to 10 million by the end of next year.

The only relief will be to take men from small businesses for farm labor and for the 900,000 more workers who will be employed in shipbuilding in Oregon and Washington by the end of next year, Captain Bauman said.

Women and children will also be impressed into labor service to keep essential production going, was the captain's comment.

Represented at the meeting were the Bureau of Agricultural Economics, Dinty Moore; Federal Employment agency, Emery Worth; county agents and members of labor committees from various Columbia basin counties.

Umatilla county alone is asking for 4000 workers for pea harvest starting within a week, Conrad said. This is one of the biggest demands for labor in the Columbia basin.

A census of school youth for this

county, received this morning from the U. S. Employment service shows that of 370 registered, 235 or 63.8 percent indicated availability for emergency agricultural and national defense work.

For both agricultural and national defense work, and to be considered for either type of work were 69 males, 55 females. In addition for national defense work only there were 23 males, 50 females; for agricultural work only 29 males, 10 females. Unavailable for either were 85 males, 49 females. The total of 370 included 148 junior high students, 174 senior high, and 48 college students.

An occupational breakdown with no attempt to classify junior high registrants shows a total of 222 senior high and college students, 174 in senior high and 48 in college qualified as follows:

Occupations	Senior Hi	College
Professional	0	5
Clerical	11	6
Domestic & service	82	0
Agriculture	20	5
Lumber	0	1
*Skilled & semi	37	2
Unskilled	22	28
Miscellaneous	2	1

*Includes 34 indicating ability to drive trucks and tractors.

Band Presents Annual Free Concert Friday

Heppner school band's annual concert under direction of Harold Buhman, Mr. Buhman's last such concert after 12 years with the local schools, will be presented free of charge at the gym-auditorium tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock. Mr. Buhman has accepted a position at Lakeview the coming year.

The program includes Marine's Hymn, L. E. Phillips; Grandiose Overture, E. De Lamater; Desert Song, Sigmund Ramberg, arr. by D. Bennett; U. S. Field Artillery March, John Philip Sousa; Vogue Overture, G. E. Holmes; Dream Train, fox trot, Billy Basketti.

By grade school band, Aura Lee, Stars of a Summer Night, The Loreley, How Can I Leave Thee, Sweet and Low, Flying Fortress.

By high school band, Stout Hearted Men, Sigmund Romburg, arr. by P. Yoder; Prince and Jester, overture, Otis Taylor; Oracle, overture, Otis Taylor; There's Something About a Soldier, descriptive patrol, Noel Gay; Phantom Trumpeters, tone poem, James R. Gillette; Stars and Stripes Forever, John Philip Sousa. There will be one special number, a trombone solo, "Cascades," played by Calvin Crawford, accompanied by Norbert Peavy.

1307 Registered Here For Sugar Rationing

At the close of registration for sugar rationing cards last Thursday 1307 persons had been signed up at Heppner, with 974 books issued and 333 denied for ineligibility due to having more than required amount of sugar on hand.

The county had signed up a total of 4271, of whom 3060 were issued books, and 1201 denied. Stamps taken from books at time of issue tallied 1593.

BARRATT SHEEP TO MONTANA

J. G. Barratt shipped 38 carloads of sheep Sunday evening, headed for summer range in the vicinity of Browning, Montana. Loading was complicated by a wintry squall that struck during the loading process. Mr. Barratt and Louis O'Connell accompanied the shipment, as did Earle Bryant, besides the regular crew, including Barney Devlin and Crockett Sprouls. Sprouls drove the Barratt car in which he and Barratt expected to return the end of this week. The sheep were shipped in the wool, to be shorn later in Montana.

Snell-Sprague Race Leads Interest At Polls Tomorrow

Lack of Issues, Contests Expected to Result in Light Vote

From local discussion, as well as from observation of informed observers over the state, the republican gubernatorial race is the center of interest in the primary election voting tomorrow. At closing of the campaign both the Snell and Sprague camps are claiming victory for their flag bearer, but consensus indicates a close race with outcome in doubt.

On the democratic side of the fence it will be a choice between Latourette and Wallace, informed observers say.

Second drawing card for a battle of local votes is the judgeship race between incumbent Bert Johnson and Commissioner George Peck, with little to show the strength of either. Again, in the republican ranks, there will be the choice of Ferguson or McNamer for commission, and Briggs or Dix for treasurer, the only other contests for local offices.

The democrats have indicated little interest in the race between Pierce and Mack for congress, as have republicans in the congressional contest between Stockman and Klemme. Pierce, however, appears to have the bulge on his opponent for party support locally.

In spite of his catchy slogan, "Mac-Arthurism vs. McNaryism," Geary is given little chance to upset Senator McNary by local republican leaders, the belief being that McNary's strong leadership of the minority group and his nearness to the administration are of particular value at this critical time.

No primary contests exist in either party for state representative, with Henry Aiken being the only regular candidate for one of two posts on the democratic ballot, and Giles L. French being the only regularly filed candidate on the republican side. At a late date, however, due to uncertainty of action by incumbent E. Harvey Miller who resigned to take the AAA field representative post for ten eastern Oregon counties, Henry Peterson was named by county courts as his successor and republican central committee of the several counties urged that his name be written in by partisans for the second house post.

Throughout the campaign there has been little discussion of issues, with all candidates stressing the war effort, and most emphasizing the need for lower local taxation to meet increasing demands by the federal government.

More Help Urged In Boys'-Girls' Drive

Morrow county is responding at a slow pace to the appeal of the Boys' and Girls' Aid Society of Oregon for funds with which to care for the homeless boys and girls, "a most important crop," says Mrs. R. I. Thompson, county drive chairman, who urges more and larger contributions which are needed to keep up this county's end.

So far the country districts are about 3 to 1 ahead of the city of Heppner, which has been most laggard, she reported. Organizations are urged to contribute, and individuals may leave their contributions at either Humphreys drug store or the First National bank.

MAX SCHULZ IN ARMY

Max Schulz, recently reported as delinquent for induction by the local selective service board, was inducted into the army at Portland on Monday, May 4, and is now at Fort Lewis, Wash., according to a letter received from him this week.

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