

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 18.)

The White House reported the nation's vast cargo ship construction program is on schedule and "the American people can be assured that the shipyards will do the job assigned to them." The statement said shipyards delivered 120 new vessels in the first 130 days of this year, 20 percent more than were built in all of 1941, and the production peak has not yet been reached.

American shipyards are building merchant vessels faster than ever before in the history of the world, the White House said. Cargo ships are being built in less than one-half the time originally allotted. "The progress made thus far is easing our shipping problem, but there will be a shortage of ships until sinkings throughout the world are brought under better control and the ship-building program gets into full production," the statement said.

Army-Navy War Review

A joint Army-Navy communique reviewed the progress of the war to date. The communique said that during a period of preparation for offensive action, a "number of successful thrusts" at the Japanese had worked a "lasting effect upon the strategic situation." Among such strokes it listed the Naval raids on the Gilbert and Marshall Islands, Wake Island, Marcus Island, and the bombing of Japan itself. It included also the destruction of Japanese ships in the battles of the Coral Sea and Macassar Straits, the accomplishments of American submarines in the Far Pacific and the numerous raids by American planes based on Australia.

The joint communique also reported that during the first three weeks of the war, about 600,000 American troops moved to battle stations, many of them overseas. Unified command is now in effect in every theater of war. The defense of the Philippines, the communique said, "demonstrated the comparative weakness of the Japanese as an individual fighter," a factor which "alone forebodes disaster for the enemy Japanese in the future when the battle is met on terms approaching equality."

Cost of Living

The Office of Price Administration said the general ceiling on rents

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First Aid Instructors' Course Set June 8-13

The Morrow county chapter of the Red Cross will sponsor an instructors' course in first aid to be given in Heppner, June 8-13, by a qualified instructor sent from San Francisco, at no cost to the local chapter.

Anyone desiring to take this course must present the following requirements: Completion of the advanced first aid course and willingness to give first aid instruction if called upon to do so. Instructors who wish to renew their credentials, or to take the course as a refresher class are eligible.

Those wishing to take the class beginning Monday, June 8, and continuing for five consecutive nights will please sign up with Rose Leibbrand at Humphreys Drug store.

The Morrow county chapter has been assigned 200 comfort kits for the boys in the armed services, Miss Leibbrand reported. The khaki and tape will be supplied by the San Francisco office and the contents will cost about one dollar. At present the war department needs 300,000 kits from the U. S. as a whole.

The contents of the kit, which are not supplied the men except in this manner, include a small soap box and soap, deck of cards, package of cigarettes, shoe polishing cloth, pencil, package of envelopes and paper, chewing gum, pair of shoe laces, water proof match box, razor blades pocket size book, sewing case and buttons.

These comfort kits will be made as soon as possible and letters have been sent to the various units in the county concerning the production of the kits.

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Snell, Wallace; Stockman, Pierce Are Voters' Choice

Johnson, McNamer Get Bid for Judge and Commissioner

"As Morrow county goes, so goes Oregon" again held true in last Friday's primary balloting. With Snell and Wallace their parties' choice for the fall governorship race, both held substantial leads in this county. The vote: Snell 416, Sprague 291; Wallace 120, Latourette 68.

Morrow county also upheld the district's selection for state and national representatives. McNamer beat Geary 583-106 here in the largest landslide recorded to help his overwhelming endorsement for the GOP U. S. senatorial nomination.

Stockman 452, Klemme 186; and Pierce 200, Mack 51, is the way Morrow county republicans and democrats voted respectively for the national congress seat.

Heading interest in local races was the republican judgeship contest in which Johnson, the incumbent, beat Peck, 387-299. Secondly was the republican commissioner contest in which McNamer beat Ferguson 346-330.

Briggs took the nod over Dix for treasurer in the republican ranks, 523-166.

In the one non-partisan contest for supreme court judge, Brand received 651 votes to 248 for Ashurst.

Work of local boards was complicated by a total of 183 write-ins. Only announced write-in candidate, Henry Peterson for state representative received a total of 154 votes from his republican partisans here, and is expected to have the second nomination for this position from his party. Giles French is the other republican nominee, while Henry Aiken received the endorsement of the democrats. Johnson, polling 59 democratic write-in votes to 27 for Peck, received democratic endorsement for judge, along with the republican.

A total republican vote of 717 was cast, representing 58 percent of the registered voters, and 267 democrats visited the polls for a 37 percent representation of the total number of registered voters. The average vote cast in this county was approximately 45 per cent.

WPB BUILDING RULING GIVEN

The county USDA War Board has been designated to handle applications for construction of farm buildings and agricultural processing plants otherwise prohibited by the War Production board's recent building conservation order, Henry Baker, USDA War board chairman, announced yesterday.

To conserve war materials, the WPB has restricted the use of materials for construction which exceeds certain definite limits, the chairman pointed out. Special WPB authorization is necessary before construction can be started, with the following exceptions:

Farm residences costing less than \$500.

Farm buildings, fences, irrigation and drainage structures costing less than \$1000.

Storage, processing, marketing or other off-farm facilities for farm products costing less than \$5000.

The order also does not affect construction started before April 9, 1942.

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PAUL DOOLITTLE ENLISTS

Paul Doolittle enlisted in the navy at Pendleton on Wednesday last week, and reported to Portland on Saturday, from where he was sent to San Diego for training. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Doolittle, and a student at Oregon State college.

Abstract of Morrow County Primary Vote

REPUBLICAN

	Alpine	Boardman	Cecil	Eightmile	Gooseberry	Hardman	Ione	Irrigon	Lena	Lexington	N. Heppner	Pine City	S. Heppner	TOTALS
U. S. SENATOR														
Geary	0	6	1	7	3	4	12	6	6	12	28	0	21	106
McNamer	10	41	33	14	13	33	92	14	17	66	148	11	91	583
REP. IN CONGRESS														
Klemme	1	12	16	4	2	6	28	5	9	17	44	7	35	186
Stockman	9	33	16	16	11	22	72	12	13	58	121	3	66	452
GOVERNOR														
Snell	5	29	17	10	15	35	65	11	19	49	89	2	70	416
Sprague	4	19	18	11	1	4	41	10	4	28	96	9	46	291
SEC. OF STATE														
Farrell	8	36	31	15	10	28	92	13	20	70	157	7	91	578
LABOR COMMIS.														
Kimsey	6	29	23	12	10	19	78	11	20	57	123	7	75	470
STATE SENATOR														
Ellis	10	37	28	13	11	26	89	16	21	61	126	6	73	517
STATE REP.														
French	8	34	28	9	7	20	67	12	20	59	126	6	83	479
Peterson	2	0	4	12	4	10	7	0	0	13	66	5	31	154
COUNTY JUDGE														
Johnson	3	27	30	15	7	11	78	14	7	28	100	5	62	387
Peck	7	18	3	4	9	28	26	6	15	50	81	5	47	299
COMMISSIONER														
Ferguson	5	24	17	7	8	23	37	7	7	40	96	1	58	330
McNamer	5	18	17	14	7	16	62	7	15	34	86	10	55	346
TREASURER														
Briggs	9	30	32	18	13	34	86	15	14	64	123	10	75	523
Dix	1	12	1	2	3	5	20	2	9	10	61	1	39	166

DEMOCRATIC

U. S. SENATOR														
Milne	2	11	3	2	0	4	9	5	0	1	16	1	16	70
Whitbeck	4	22	3	9	6	5	16	5	3	13	19	1	13	119
REP. IN CONGRESS														
Mack	4	11	0	5	0	3	4	3	1	5	10	0	5	51
Pierce	4	35	6	10	6	9	27	8	1	18	38	5	33	200
GOVERNOR														
Fretwell	3	11	0	0	0	2	4	0	0	3	1	2	2	26
Latourette	1	11	1	3	3	2	4	3	2	6	21	0	11	68
Wallace	4	20	5	8	3	7	18	3	1	9	19	2	21	120
SEC. OF STATE														
Lambert	8	36	6	9	5	8	20	6	2	15	32	4	27	178
LABOR COMMIS.														
Hyde	7	26	5	8	5	10	19	8	2	13	29	4	27	163
STATE REP.														
Aiken	7	36	5	12	5	10	22	7	3	18	32	1	30	188
ASSESSOR														
Wells	8	38	5	15	6	13	29	10	3	19	34	4	38	222
SURVEYOR														
Tamblyn	7	23	3	8	4	8	24	7	2	15	28	0	31	160

PAUL BROWN IS MISSING IN ACTION

Paul C. Brown is the first Heppner boy to be reported missing in action. Official word from the war department received this morning by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chris P. Brown, said that Paul's whereabouts had not been determined since surrender of the Philippines, where he was last known to have seen service.

The communication stated further that it was hoped the Japanese government would soon give a list of American prisoners thru Geneva, but until that time no means may be had of knowing whether the young man were taken prisoner.

Paul is the second Morrow county boy to have been reported missing, the first, Clayton Davis who enlisted while residing at Lexington was reported missing following the Battle of the Java Sea.

City Plunge to Open June 1, Expected

Heppner's municipal plunge will open sometime about the first of June, according to present plans, announced Dr. L. D. Tibbles, chairman of the council's swimming pool committee, this morning.

Harold Buhman, qualified Red Cross life-saver and swimming instructor, has been retained to manage the pool for the season.

NAMED PRINCESS

Eastern Oregon College of Education, La Grande, May 20.—Kathryn Parker, Heppner, has been selected as one of the six princesses to attend the queen of Evensong in the annual Evensong program which will be held on the grand stairway of the college Thursday evening, May 28, beginning at 8:15 o'clock.

FRANK ALFRED PROMOTED

Word just received by Heppner friends announced the promotion of Frank C. Alfred, Morrow county district attorney on leave with the armed forces, has been promoted to the rank of captain.

GAS RATIONING SIGNUP MAY 28-9

The Office of Price Administration has requested that registration for gasoline rationing be administered through the public elementary schools just as was registration for sugar rationing.

Registration for gasoline rationing will be held May 28, 29, 30. People are urged to register on the 28th and 29th if possible.

Fewer registration sites for gasoline have been set up for Morrow county than were used for the sugar registration but these have been distributed so that no one will have to travel a great distance in order to register. People may register at any one of the centers, but they are requested to register at the center nearest their homes. Registration centers and administrators for Morrow county are as follows:

Heppner, A. H. Blankenship; Lena, Mrs. Kathleen Hisler; Willow Way, School Dist. No. 3, Mrs. A. T. Harris; Morgan, Mrs. Echo Palmateer; Rhea Creek, School Dist. No. 6, Mrs. Pearl Wright; Cecil, Mrs. Beth Hynd; Irrigon, Ladd Sherman; Lexington, T. R. Burton; Boardman, Bob Harwood;

Pine City and Alpine, Mrs. Faye Finch; Eight Mile (Liberty, Hail Ridge), Mrs. Edith Batty; Ione, Mrs. Rachel Dick; Gooseberry, Raymond Lundell; Hardman, Mrs. Iris Brannon; School Dist. No. 42, Mrs. Betty Estberg; School Dist. No. 59, Mrs. Margaret Cason.

2 TRUE BILLS RETURNED

Grand jury for the June term of circuit court returned two true bills and one not true bill after deliberating at the courthouse Monday. Grand jurors were Ralph I. Thompson, Noah E. Pettyjohn, Cornett Green, Elsie M. Petersen, Cecil Thorne, W. T. Gerard and Herman J. Green.

PURCHASE WAR BOND

The seventh and eighth grades of the Lexington schools recently purchased an \$18.75 war bond.

School Wind-Up Set With Graduation Tomorrow Evening

Dr. Crane Relieves Dr. Giersbach as Exercise Speaker

Climax of a busy week of school closing activities comes tomorrow evening with graduating exercises for 27 high school seniors.

Last Friday evening the public received a treat at the annual free band concert. Saturday evening the junior-senior banquet followed by junior prom were highlights. Today students are finishing their examinations, and tomorrow Heppner and Ione high schools will join in an all-school picnic.

Last minute word from Dr. Walter G. Giersbach, president of Pacific university, told of his inability to deliver the commencement address as announced last week, and his place will be filled by Dr. Gertrude Boyd Crane, dean of women at Pacific.

Prelude, "Love Theme from Romeo and Juliet," Tchaikowsky, will be played at the piano by Jean Turner. Norbert E. Peavy will play the processional, "Pomp and Circumstance March," Adolph Schmidt. Rev. S. D. Spiesz will pronounce invocation, and Lucille Barlow will sing "I Love Life," Irwin M. Cassel, preceding the address.

Following the address will be a vocal trio, "Ride Out on Wings of Song," J. W. Haywood and W. Berwald, by Lucille Barlow, Dorothea Wilson and Peg Tamblin; presentation of Jane Mitchell trophy, by Jane Boyer; presentation of honor plaque, by Lyle Swenson, high school principal; presentation of Norton Winnard cup, representative of Class of 1918; presentation of Class of 1942, Alden H. Blankenship, superintendent of schools; presentation of diplomas, Charles W. Barlow, chairman of school board.

The class roll includes Lucille Barlow, Merle Burkenbine, Jackson Cantwell, Mildred Clary, Calvin Crawford, George Davidson, Frances Egan, Joe Farley, Dick Ferguson, Kay Ferguson, Dorothy Green, Elizabeth Healy, Helen Healy, Wanda Howell, Wilma Hudson, Ellen Hughes, Constance Instone, Bill Padberg, Bob Pinckney, Betty Rood, Bill Scribner, John Skuzeski, Claude Snow, Tom Starkey, Margaret Tamblin, Ralph Taylor and Birdine Vance.

The class motto is "Sail On Tho the Sea of Life May Be Rough; the class colors, lavender and silver, and flower, lilac.

Rose Leibbrand Gets State BPW Office

Rose Leibbrand was elected first vice-president of the Oregon State Federation of B. P. W. clubs at the state convention held at Roseburg, May 16-17. She previously held the office of eastern Oregon district chairman. This is the first time an eastern Oregon district club has been honored with an administrative officer.

Florence Bergstrom, president of the local group, attended the state convention and gave the annual report of the year's activities. She received special commendation for increasing membership in the Heppner club 200 per cent.

MISS ZINTER WEDS

Miss Irene Zinter was married to Echo B. Neal, instructor in fleet landing force at San Diego, in a ceremony performed at Yuma, Arizona on April 16, Rev. Raymond C. Acheson officiating, according to announcement made by the bride's mother. Mrs. Neal is manager of Morrow County Credit bureau. She and her mother returned to Heppner following the ceremony, and a trip which included visits to Mexico and points in California.