

## YOUR TOWN'S TOPICS

## Norries Have Baby—

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Norris are being felicitated on the birth of a baby girl, weight 8 3/4 pounds, born Wednesday night at the Norris home on the O. A. hill. The baby has been named Loretta Ann.

## Spends Week-end at Moffit Springs

Miss Jane Wilkinson spent last week-end at the Moffit Hot Springs near North Bonneville, Washington.

## Apron and Candy Sale—

Tuesday, April 30, by the Dorcas Society of the S. D. A. church next to the P. O. Leave orders for candy for Mother's Day with Mrs. R. I. Hall at Dr. Hall's office.

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## Visit at Bush Home—

Mr. and Mrs. F. O. Cline of Kansas City, Missouri, arrived here Sunday to spend from 10 days to two weeks visiting Mr. and Mrs. Jewett A. Bush. Mr. Cline has been engaged in newspaper work in Kansas City.

## Son Born—

An eight pound boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Fluke of Sunset Camp, Saturday, April 13, at Forest Grove. The baby has been named Gaylan.

## When in Need—

Of any type of shoe see Nick Federici.

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## Haulers and Ervens in Astoria—

Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Hauser and daughter, Ruth, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Walter Erven spent Saturday night in Astoria visiting with their sons, Fritz and Fred. The boys have completed their training with the Coast Guard at Port Townsend, Washington, and have been transferred to Astoria on the U. S. S. Onondaga.

## Missionary Luncheon Planned—

The annual birthday luncheon of the Evangelical Women's Missionary Society will be held in the social hall of the church Wednesday, April 24, at one o'clock. The affair is potluck. All members of the society and their friends are invited.

## Drama Group to Entertain—

Russell Scott, teacher of drama at Scappoose high school, will present a group of his students in a thirty minute program at the local high school next Tuesday afternoon at 1:30.

## Here Thursday—

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Wilkerson spent part of last Thursday in Vernonia visiting friends. While here they also visited the grade and high schools.

## Attend Visitation—

A party of Vernonia Masons were in Astoria last Wednesday evening to attend the Grand Master's visitation to that city. Those making the trip from here were C. L. Boeck, J. E. Tapp, Glen Hawkins, Russell Conley, Emil F. Messing, Frank Taylor, W. F. MacDonald, Frank Lane, F. L. Watson, Ray Mills and Walter Kent. The trip to Astoria was made via Jewell and the return by the Wolf creek route, the latter being 12 miles longer but requiring less time, it was stated.

## Exams Announced—

The U. S. Civil Service Commission has announced open competitive examinations for associate metallurgist, and assistant. Applications must be on file with the Commission's office at Washington, D. C. not later than May 16 if received from Colorado and states westward. Requirements are that applicants have completed a four-year college course with major study in chemistry, physics, engineering or metallurgy and have certain professional metallurgical experience. Information may be obtained from O. T. Bateman, secretary of the civil service board of examiners at the post office.

## Majorette Contest, April 19, 8 p. m. Washington Grade School Aud.

## Mrs. Hughes Departs—

Mrs. A. J. Hughes left Saturday for several months stay with friends and relatives in Texas. She will visit in Houston, Temple, Texas City and Beaumont.

## Band Concert, April 19, 8 p. m. Washington Grade School Aud.

## Leave for East—

Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Olin and Walter Vaughn left Tuesday for several weeks in the East where Mrs. Olin will visit friends and relatives and Mr. Olin and Mr. Vaughn will be occupied with Oregon American business.

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## Greenmans in Tacoma—

Mr. and Mrs. Judd Greenman motored to Tacoma Monday where Mr. Greenman attended a lumberman's meeting Tuesday. The couple returned to Vernonia Wednesday.

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## Girls' League—

Mrs. McKeown, Dean of Women at Multnomah College in Portland, will address Girls' League at the high school next Thursday, April 25, at 2:45 in the afternoon.

## Majorette Contest, April 19, 8 p. m. Washington Grade School Aud.

## At the Beach—

Miss Ruby Maddess accompanied Miss Nedra Young last week-end to Seaside, Miss Young's home.

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## Go Fishing—

Harry King and two sons, Earl and Bob, enjoyed fishing up the river Sunday.

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## Go to Springfield—

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Bennett left Monday for Springfield, Oregon they returned Wednesday after transacting business concerning the new location of the Lindsay sawmill at Springfield.

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## In Portland—

Mrs. John Burnside, Mrs. J. W. Nichols and daughters, Joanne and Barbara, motored to Portland Saturday.

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## In Madras—

The Misses Thelma and Velva Ramsey spent the week-end at their home in Madras, Oregon.

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## Move to Springfield—

George Johns and James Monger left Monday for the new location of the Lindsay Sawmill in Springfield.

## In Portland—

Lillian Hedman and Lottie and Heidi Reich were in Portland Saturday.

## Party Go Fishing—

A. L. Bassett, R. L. Spencer, Wallace McCrae, Paul Gordon and

Mason McCoy fished up Humboldt river last weekend, leaving Saturday morning and returning Sunday evening. The fishermen report favorably on the mess of trout caught.

## News of the Theatre

## "CALLING PHILO VANCE" AT THE JOY SATURDAY—

Surprise mystery thrillers have long been movie favorites. And when it's an S. S. Van Dine yarn, that means tops in this type of story. The artistry of Van Dine has been recognized since he first conjured the whimsical, complex, super-detective Philo Vance.

To date there have been a number of Philo Vances in pictures. First was William Powell, then Warren William, Basil Rathbone and Edmund Lowe. Now comes a new Philo from Hollywood in the person of James Stephenson.

The clever plot, though fictional, is one that might have been taken from current newspaper headlines. It involves the intrigue and adventure in international espionage, revolving around an airplane manufacturer whose super-bomber is coveted by three nations.

## "THE BIG GUY" LAUDED FOR ACTION, SUSPENSE—

Scoring impressively in a story which combines dramatic force with rapid action and emotional suspense, Victor McLaglen and Jackie Cooper co-star in Universal's "The Big Guy," which opens at the Joy Theatre, Saturday.

Rarely have these two versatile performers been provided with roles more humanly real, nor more perfectly suited to their talents. They divide honors about evenly. McLaglen, as the prison warden, is torn between the desire to keep a fortune in stolen money, or reveal evidence which would save the life of an innocent youth, Cooper. It is reminiscent of "The Informer." Cooper, too, displays a naturalness and sincerity which is sure to add to Jackie's prestige as an actor. Seen as the young mechanic innocently involved in a jail break and murder which land him behind prison bars, Jackie plays his role to the hilt.

## "THE GRAPES OF WRATH" TRUE TO STEINBECK NOVEL—

A deep, stirring human appeal draws audiences to the very heights of film entertainment in Darryl F. Zanuck's production of "The Grapes of Wrath," John Steinbeck's fearless novel.

Under John Ford's honest direction the Joads come to life with all the warmth, vitality and rugged humor that characterized Steinbeck's widely acclaimed novel.

Tom Joad, who is played by Henry Fonda, remains the courageous figure Steinbeck created.

Jane Darwell's performance, as Ma Joad, makes it impossible to believe that Steinbeck did not have her in mind when he created this

indomitable Oklahoma mother. Jane carries her audience in the palm of her hand while she laughs and cries, scolds her brood and defies the forces which would tear her family apart.

What is by all odds one of the most difficult roles in the picture, that of Casy, the garrulous, crusading preacher, is carried off with great distinction by John Carradine. As Grandpa, Charley Grapewin turns in the best performance of a long and distinguished career.

Dorris Bowdon actually appears to re-live Rosasharn's struggle to bring new life into the world. She more than justifies the belief Zanuck had in her ability to act.

Similarly justified is the selection of other members of the cast. Russell Simpson plays the part of Pa Joad with great effectiveness. O. Z. Whitehead, who plays Al, lives up to the fine things that were said of him when he came to Hollywood. John Qualen as Muley, and Eddie Quillan as Connie, are tops. As for Zeffie Tilbury, who plays Granma, it can be said of her that she has every ounce of Granma's color and humor.

## MAISIE'S BACK ON JOY SCREEN IN ANOTHER HIT—

Modern Africa, with an American flavor by way of ships that pass in the night, comes to the screen in "Congo Maisie," featuring Ann Sothorn and John Carroll and opening Tuesday at the Joy Theatre. The supporting cast includes Rita Johnson, Sheppard Struwick, J. M. Kerrigan, E. E. Clive and others.

The story tells of a fiery American showgirl who is stranded on the west coast of Africa. There she

meets a sardonic doctor who regards her as nothing more than an intruder. But when the girl proves her integrity and her courage, the man is forced to admit her merits. When he is called upon to perform an emergency operation, she alone is capable of standing beside him as assistant. Again, when the natives go wild, she holds them back with her remembered card tricks and a bit of dancing.

## SCREEN-RADIO STARS

## FEATURED IN MOVIE HIT—

A new and refreshing comedy drama is scheduled for the Joy Theatre this week, where Republic's "Village Barn Dance" will open Tuesday for a two-day run.

Republic has assembled a blue ribbon cast of radio and screen personalities and presented them in a bright and engaging story about a group of youngsters who take over a national broadcast and secure financial independence for their town, not to mention saving one of their number from marrying a young man whom she does not love.

## 3 MOVIE UNITS WORK

## ON SINGLE PICTURE—

Three separate production units were organized for the simultaneous filming of Universal's "Destry Rides Again," the new Marlene Dietrich-James Stewart super-western at the Joy Theatre Thursday and Friday.

While Director George Marshall was at work on a giant dance-hall set that occupied an entire sound stage, a second unit was busy on Universal's famous "western street".

A third company was on location in the picturesque Kern river country north of Hollywood.

**DR. GEORGE BUTTERFIELD**  
OPTOMETRIST — EYE SPECIALIST  
Will be at KULLANDER'S Jewelry Store  
**Thursday, April 25**  
Make Appointments with Mr. Kullander  
Eyes Examined — Glasses Fitted  
Terms—A small down payment, Balance monthly

## YOUR WEEK'S PROGRAM AT THE JOY THEATRE

Thursday, Friday, April 18 and 19

"STRANGE CARGO"

Clark Gable — Joan Crawford  
Selected Short—"Crime Doesn't Pay"

Saturday, April 20

EVENING

"CALLING PHILO VANCE"  
with James Stephenson

PLUS



2 P. M. MATINEE

"HALF A SINNER"  
Tom Dugan

Also Oregon Trail  
Serial and Baby  
Kittens Cartoon



Sunday and Monday

April 21 and 22

Also Universal News

Tuesday, Wednesday, April 23 and 24

"CONGO MAISIE"

Ann Sothorn

and "VILLAGE BARN DANCE" with Radio's  
brightest stars—Lulubelle and Scotty

Thursday and Friday

April 25 and 26

Short Subjects

Specially Selected

COMING—"The Blue Bird," "My Little Chickadee," "Castle on the Hudson," "Primrose Path," "Young Tom Edison."

MARLENE DIETRICH-JAMES STEWART  
**DESTRY RIDES AGAIN**  
Charles Wininger - Auer - Donlevy

## For County Judge

TO THE VOTERS OF COLUMBIA COUNTY

I am a candidate for the office of County Judge, in the Republican Party Primary, to be held May 17, 1940.

If nominated and elected, I PLEDGE CLOSE ATTENTION TO ALL DEPARTMENTS OF THE OFFICE.

I will do all in my power to conserve the financial resources of the county, to the end that taxes may be held to the lowest point possible, consistent with the best interests of the county.

I will work for ALL OF COLUMBIA COUNTY, with equal consideration to all sections.

I solicit your support.

Oscar G. Weed

## FOOD SALE

Have you ever really tried Systematic Bargaining? Check the items below.

WAX PAPER Diamond ..... 125-ft. roll 15c  
BAKED BEANS Van Camp .. 2 20-oz. tins 19c  
BAKING POWDER Clabber Girl 10-oz. tin 9c

MATCHES Plasafe ..... Dozen boxes 29c  
P. & G. NAPTHA SOAP .... Dozen bars 39c  
PUREX ..... 32-oz. jar 13c  
COFFEE Wadhams ..... 1-lb. tin 25c  
WINDEX Window Cleaner ..... bottle 15c

CAKE FLOUR Soft-as-Silk .... 44-oz. pkg. 29c  
PINEAPPLE Broken Slice .. 2 No. 2 1/2 tins 33c  
HOMINY Wadhams ..... No. 2 1/2 tin 9c  
GRAPEFRUIT Wadhams .. 3 No. 300 tins 25c  
PIG FEET Hormels ..... Pint Jars 19c

**Need Meat?**  
We keep  
Only the  
BEST!

WHEAT HEARTS—  
Sperry's  
28-oz. pkg. 23c

PEAS—  
Sweet Dimple  
2 No. 2 tins 29c

BRAN FLAKES—  
Kellogg's  
package 9c

DOG FOOD—  
Kenwood  
4 No. 1 tins 19c

Specials for Friday and Saturday, April 19 and 20

**King's Grocery and Market**

Where Your Money Buys More

Ph. 91 At the New Mile Bridge 2 Deliveries Daily  
Hear Vernonia Round-Up Time Every Thursday at 11:30 a. m., KWLK