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POLICE ADMINISTRATION

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The visit to Oregon of the congressional naval affairs committee and high naval officers revives the suggestion of the dedication to Portland and Oregon of the historic U. S. S. Oregon. This fine old ship is now lying idle at Bremerton.

KNOW YOUR PORTLAND

Said one Portlander to another a few days ago, "Seattle has appropriated only \$8,000,000 for public docks and \$4,000,000 has authorized \$10,500,000." "Yes," retorted the other, "and look how much more Seattle got for the money than Portland did."

THE COMING BATTLE

There are rumblings in America. They are portent of coming industrial warfare. A great sum of more than \$20,000,000 is to be raised by trades unions, the news dispatches say, for a war of defense against the open shop. Greater sums and a vast reserve of political power, other reports aver, are to be used in the fight on organized labor.

It is in the administration an unusual friendship for all groups of workers. It saw the government take away huge sums in excess profits and graduated income taxes. It called that meddling in business. It is in resentful mood because of the vast gains it failed to gather in.

Its view is that workers took advantage of the war to become autocratic. Though it was boosting prices and grabbing colossal profits, it became furious at the big wage which workers demanded and received. It seized upon the late campaign as its time to prepare for revenge, and won. In the victory, full flushed with its supposed new power, it is bellicose and determined.

When the cost of production is increased by slowing down of production, the public feels that it is paying a toll exacted by the refusal of men to do a four-square day's work. The public regards the increased cost as a reward which it pays to men to be slothful.

Production slowed down is a form of sabotage, and sabotage in any guise cannot be defended. It is an assault on the employer. It cuts down his power to pay higher wages. It interferes with the success of his business. It is a process unworthy of and harmful to the most excellent cause of labor.

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Thousands of people wait eagerly for the opening of the livestock exposition in order to behold its exhibits. There is but one livestock exposition in America which in general acceptance outranks the West's exposition in Portland. That one is held each year in Chicago, the meat packing center of the country.

Stockbreeders of the Columbia basin and the business men of Portland and other Northwest cities are to be congratulated upon the fact that the \$400,000 exposition building in North Portland is one of the finest of its kind in the United States. The structures which house the great amphitheatre and its adjuncts cover six acres and were built from the contributions of those who placed a proper value upon the establishment of the Pacific Northwest's livestock center in the city of Portland.

Church house parlors and kitchen can give this service free, and furnish an ideal place for these necessary meetings. If this sort of shelter saves a soul from going astray the church has served the very purpose for which it was built, and for which it is maintained.

Letters From the People
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Mr. and Mrs. Frank Snow are spending a few days at the Oregon. Frank has an apple ranch at White Salmon. In the old days he was a member of the rotary police department and was a terror to yeggs. He was known from St. Michael's to San Diego and was feared and respected by the powers that prey. Now he is rounding up woolly apes and cooling moths instead of saucer-crackers and strongarm men.

By John Cassel



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MORE OR LESS PERSONAL

Random Observations About Town
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OBSERVATIONS AND IMPRESSIONS OF THE JOURNAL MAN

By Fred Lockley
My thoughts go back to a night in Pleadry when I lay on a hillside watching the star shells and seeing, like some vast horshoe of flame, the guns from Jules and Jure in the East telling about Oregon's scenic resources, but that appeals only to the wealthy and cultured type. We want them, but we also want the tourists to California, and the way to get them to come to Oregon is by using printer's ink.

The Oregon Country

Northwest Happenings in Brief Form for the Busy Reader
OREGON NOTES
U. S. Grant has been elected mayor of Dallas.
One of 361 students in a Salem school examined this week by the school nurse, 170 were found physically imperfect.

Washington
Partial equipment for Company L, Washington national tank corps, has reached Centralia. It includes blankets, hats and a few other necessities.

Uncle Jeff Snow Says:

That fellow that was a-goin' to run autos by wireless and "that gals" who had died in Seattle, Washby he colluded with Rockefeller's wagon of a dark night.
How Many and How Much?
Read the Southeast Corner To Find the Answers.
Do you have an idea how many pounds of meat Portland eats at the dinner hour? Can you give an estimate of the amount of fruit and vegetables that are consumed in this city?