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of all in returning to a peace basin. Washington has prolonged war expenditures and war strength offices, whether they be in the department of agriculture or in the department of war, over an unexcusable long period.

Many a man went to Washington during the war as an emergency employee of the government who now believes that Uncle Sam owes him a position for life. Washington has no more reason now for a wartime of force than the shipyards which ceased operations long ago would have for keeping up a big payroll.

Already great cuts have been made in the federal list, but there are thousands still being paid who have no business on the government rolls. Barring the stuff sent out by the government about the bond campaign, almost as much publicity is now being issued as during 1918.

Uncle Sam maintains the most colossal publicity bureau in the world and a great deal of the matter coming through is pure propaganda, hardly anyone reads it. The nation is flooded with publications emanating from Washington, the cost of which must run into the millions each month.

The newspapers continue to go stuff every day from ambitious little bureaus and departments which no one heard of before the war. There are legitimate and important government publications, but by far the greater volume of publicity is useless.

If departments and bureaus are as wasteful in other branches of their work as in the issuance of printed matter, it is tall time that some of the slashing is being done. And the mere fact that a few thousand would like pension jobs for the rest of their lives should make no difference.

Looking Backward

From The Chronicle, June 16, 1896. Joseph Miller, "the poet of the St. Croix," arrived in town today from Portland and left again in the afternoon. His brother, James, living near Pineville, came in from the country on purpose to see him, but their meeting, after an absence of years, was a short one, as James reached him only two minutes before train time.

At 8 o'clock this morning the river stood at 384 feet. This is already an unusual height and will overflow the land at the cascades from two to three feet, making it possible to injure the government work by washing.

The city election yesterday resulted in the election of Frank Menefee to succeed himself as mayor of The Dalles. Menefee's vote was very complimentary, polling 322 votes to Adams' 183. The councilmen elected are: Harry Clough, Henry Kuck and Champion. Water commissioners: T. A. Seifert, M. Randall and Jos. T. Peters. The retiring councilmen are: Lauer, Eshelman and Crowe. The retiring water commissioners are Hugh Christman and Thomas Ward. J. T. Peters was re-elected.

PERSONALS

J. T. Brown of Pendleton is a guest at Hotel Dalles.

W. E. Deleh of Rainier, Wash., is here today upon business matters.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Bacon of Everett are visiting with friends in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Hawley of Pendleton are staying at Hotel Dalles.

Mr. C. W. Thompson of Pendleton is in the city today.

A. V. Beall of Lanker is a business visitor in The Dalles today.

Miss Josephine Martin of Pendleton is visiting with friends here.

Mr. Edith Miller of LaGrande is in the city with relatives in The Dalles.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Ayers of Pilot Point are staying at Hotel Dalles.

Miss W. C. Carson of Hazzard is visiting with friends in The Dalles.

W. J. Beal of Bend is following business acquaintances here today.

Mr. J. M. Pratt of Wainia is registered at the Bank hotel.

Frank Gable, Jr. of Manup is in the city today on business.

Miss Campbell of Wainia is in the city today on business.

Miss Dorothy L. Jones of Portland is registered at the Bank hotel.

The Mrs. Nelson of Astoria is in the city today on business.

W. W. Thompson of Vancouver is in the city today on business.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Reynolds and Mrs. H. D. W. D. are all at Hotel Dalles.

Misses Margaret and Grace Winchel, both of Hood River, are visiting with friends.

Ernest Jacobsen, traveling salesman for the J. K. Gill company, was in the city today.

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L. C. Smith of LaGrande is in The Dalles attending to business matters.

George MacKenzie of Walla Walla is in The Dalles today attending to business matters.

O. C. Hughes, Hood River business man, is a business visitor in The Dalles.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Lester of the Bend office, were in the city yesterday on business.

E. C. Pratt of Wainia was in the city today enroute to his home after having spent several months in the southern part of the state.

Bargaining in Typewriters

See A. L. West at Hotel Dalles. Special terms to students. Why rent a typewriter when you can buy one on terms a trifle more than the regular rental charge.

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