

SUBSCRIPTION RATES:

By Carrier: Weekly, 25c; Monthly, \$1.00; One Year, \$12.00. By Mail in Oregon: Monthly, 75c; 6 Mos. \$4.00; One Year, \$8.00.

Salem, Oregon, Wednesday, Sept. 21, 1949

BY BECK

A Dog's Life



SIPS FOR SUPPER

You Figure It

By DON UPOJHN

Summer's slipped out and fall slips in. The old equinox is with us again and instead of being bold and blustery was just like spring today.



Don Upjohn

Incidentally, maybe we'll take some time off this p.m., and hunt around to see if we can locate the last rose of summer.

Also Spring Is Here

Lebanon—Mrs. Albert Carlson of 313 Main street is displaying a bouquet of bright red crab apples and autumn foliage.

Some sort of confusion also existent at the courthouse. A letter was received there today from George Alexander of the community chest.

River Sent Back to His Door

Seattle, (AP)—Funeral director Cal Butterworth has thanked the King county board of commissioners for "sending the river back to my door."

WAR EFFECTS STILL FELT

Blood Donors Still Needed To Keep Wounded Alive

By JAMES W. HART

Pittsburgh (AP)—The need for civilian blood is as great or greater today than at any time during the war.

Thousands of men are being kept alive in veterans' hospitals by periodic transfusions. If they could not get a new supply of blood every so often, they would die.

Aspinwall authorities estimate that nearly 10,000 pints of civilian blood have been poured into the veins of veterans at that hospital alone during the last three years.

One official added it up by saying, "Now that the war is over, people seem to forget that these men are still in the hospital. There aren't enough good things that you could say about people who give their blood."

The use of blood in surgical operations, and in fighting many diseases formerly believed to be incurable, has grown beyond expectation. One doctor said that a minimum of ten pints of blood is needed for each lung operation.

Leukemia victims and veterans with bleeding ulcers put the biggest dent in blood reserves. The former use an average of 50 pints of blood a year.

A doctor at the Aspinwall institution said, "Actually, for some, it would do their system good to lose some blood."

A Few Thousand Miles Off

Los Angeles (AP)—"Battalion Chief Eleven," droned the fire department dispatcher over the short wave radio.

WASHINGTON MERRY-GO-ROUND

Pension Plan Issue Threatens Social Security

By DREW PEARSON

Washington—Washington social security experts are worried about what the steel fact-finding board recommendations will do to the old-age pension and social security program now before congress.

What they fear is a series of special old-age pension plans for certain industrial groups that have the strike power to get them.

This might leave millions of less-organized workers who have less power to strike with inadequate old-age pensions and meagre social security protection.



Under the Doughton bill, now pending on the house calendar, nearly 50,000,000 employees would share contributions with employers to double present social security benefits.

What also worries the social security planners is this: Will the steel workers and other well-organized labor groups push as hard for higher social security benefits for which they pay part of the cost, when they can get them from the employer for nothing?

CIO Secretary James B. Carey warned the house committee on ways and means in 1946 that if congress failed to expand social security, "then labor organizations of the type of the United Mine Workers will attempt to secure security for their workers in some other manner."

The point that I am making is just a simple one," continued Carey, "that this program presented by John L. Lewis to the operators is a type of program that we say should be administered by the federal government."

Naturally the steel workers didn't want to be outdone by the miners. And millions of other oldsters who don't belong to unions don't want to be outdone either. It would have been better if congress had handled the entire problem in the first place.

TITO'S COMMUNISM

When a Yugoslav diplomat was transferred from Washington back to Belgrade, his wife confided to a Washington neighbor: "I'm going to have to buy a whole new wardrobe."

"But why?" asked the neighbor. "Your things are lovely." "That's just it," was the reply, "if I should wear these clothes in Belgrade, all my friends would say I had gone capitalist. I have to buy some very plain things."

Then, in a still deeper tone of regret, the Yugoslav lady added: "Another thing is I won't see much of the children any more. When we go back they'll have to be put in a state school and we'll have them only at night."

CAPITAL NEWS CAPSULES

Miffed at Truman—CIO President Philip Murray and his top aides are not saying so publicly, but they feel that President Truman has fumbled the ball in averting a steel strike.

The CIO thought it had Truman primed to give U.S. Steel a big tongue-lashing last week for refusing to negotiate on the basis of the president's own fact-finding board on steel.

Deal With Bevin—Here is the inside story on an agreement between Secretary Acheson and Foreign Minister Bevin that was kept out of the official communiqué.

Britain is going to get an extra Marshall plan allotment for expanding the production of manganese in her African territory of northern Rhodesia.

Senators Play Hookey—So many senators have strayed off on vacations that leaders are having trouble rounding up votes on critical issues.

Japan Gets Respectable—General MacArthur has cabled the state department urging that Japan be included as a charter member in the proposed Far Eastern defense alliance.

Japan Gets Respectable—General MacArthur has cabled the state department urging that Japan be included as a charter member in the proposed Far Eastern defense alliance.

BY GUILD

Wizard of Odds



Send your "Odds" questions on any subject to "The Wizard of Odds," care of the Capital Journal, Salem, Oregon.

MacKENZIE'S COLUMN

British Workers to Decide Experiment With Pound

By DeWITT MacKENZIE

When the pundits have got through speculating on how England is going to fare with her devalued pound sterling, the matter likely will be settled by the British workman and his missus in debate over tankards of 'arf-and-arf at their club, which is the local pub.

The success or failure of this daring experiment in devaluation of the national currency rests on the sturdy shoulders of the folk who run machines or delve in mines or perform the hundred and one other tasks which entitles them to the ranks of "workers."

They can make or break the gamble by the simple expedient of turning thumbs up or turning them down.

When the pundits have got through speculating on how England is going to fare with her devalued pound sterling, the matter likely will be settled by the British workman and his missus in debate over tankards of 'arf-and-arf at their club, which is the local pub.

Sir Stafford Cripps, chancellor of the exchequer, has made it clear that the government intends to hold down wages whether the cost of living increases or not.

British newspaper editorials insist that there must be no demands for higher wages to counter-balance any increase in the cost of living.

So Britain's Socialist government is in a tight spot, in having thus to hold out the likelihood of further tightening of belts.

Success or failure now rests largely with labor. If the worker should refuse to accept this decision, and should curtail production by striking for higher wages, the government's bid for relief through devaluation would go down the drain.

POOR MAN'S PHILOSOPHER

'Truth-or-Consequence Man' Called Barnum of Airways

By HAL BOYLE

New York (AP)—Radio's "truth-or-consequence man" says it's true he pioneered the giveaway program.

"I originated the giveaway program in 1940, alas and alack," he said, "but that wasn't the intent. We outfitted a girl like Cinderella on one program — a kind of feminine Horatio Alger touch. That was just one stunt. But the give-away started from that."

"Other programs picked up the technique and started giving gifts. Our giveaways were for charitable purposes. But others took the guts of our idea—without its heart. It turned out to be a greedy thing without any charity aspects. And now the whole business is on its knees. They are killing themselves."

And Edwards said that, unless the giveaways returned to their original pattern, he would just as soon see the FCC ruling banning them upheld by the federal courts.

The red-haired 36-year-old producer felt the ruling doesn't affect his own two NBC network shows—"Truth or Consequences," and "This Is Your Life."

The first program, a variation of an old-fashioned parlor game, won him the nickname of "The Barnum of the Airways" for its zany stunts.

Ten months ago he thought up his second show, a half-hour program which capsules the life story of some unknown or famous American. Among those dramatized have been a para-

No More Drinks for Dogs

Prestwich, England (AP)—With bloodshot eyes and trembling paws, the drinking dogs of Prestwich scuttled into their favorite saloons today. They got a shock. Their drinks are cut off.

Dr. C. H. T. Wade, the city health officer, said the wave of tipping by dogs at the local pubs has got to stop.

"They have dirty habits," he said, "and most pubs only rinse the glasses."

Bernard Hadfield, proprietor of the Ostrich, said most of the drinking dogs he knew were moderate about it—half a pint or so a night. But he said he had seen at least one who'd had a drop too much.

Dependable Moving Service ACROSS TOWN OR ACROSS THE NATION

Whether you're moving in town or to a distant city, we offer the finest in worry-free moving service. Our local storage and moving facilities are unexcelled.

Red Star Transfer Liberty & Belmont Ph. 8-1111

AGENT FOR ALLIED VAN LINES