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LABOR DEPARTMENT

The new organization in the department of labor is long overdue. The head of that department should have under his control the agencies that deal with labor and not have them scattered into so many other hands.

Labor leaders are going to make a very determined effort to keep all the gains that have been made on account of the war. No one blames them for that.

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The state office is checking the records of other states to find out if Sherman county is best in the nation in per capita purchase of E bonds.

SMALL TOWN A great many changes are taking place in these first weeks after the end of the war, actual if not yet made official.

For instance we have dropped most of our rationing and have been warned that we may have it again if Europeans need food.

The change that appeals to us most is the change the end of the war has made in small towns.

But look, in this one small town we are getting our small business men and artisans back faster than they left.

Perhaps after all there is a sort of indestructibility about small towns, perhaps the freedom and homely satisfactions of life in them does have an appeal that will keep them alive.

Every newspaper, nearly every magazine, has had a picture of the President almost every day for a couple of months.

But we are getting a little tired of Mr. Truman's teeth and think that he should assume a less open-faced countenance on some occasions, if only for variety.

It is rumored that Uncle Joe may retire from his exalted position as Russian ruler and realistic internationalist trader.

So the Tokio occupation government is going to be run from Washington. Up to that announcement it seemed hard to understand the Japanese even when among them.

Were they Balkan nations instead of American states, Oregon and Washington would now declare war on Washington for arresting fishermen on the Oregon side of the Columbia at Celilo.

The Portland Beavers might not be a very good team but for once there were no stories of strife among them.

One of the best things the white man got with this country was the Indian summer.

Washington Column

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era. Mr Wallace is now the leader of the new deal ideology and what he writes will be accepted as the party "line" by those whose influence has been so potent in the national capital for the past 13 years.

Republican congressmen, now that they have had time to study the 16,000 word message of President Truman, are ascertaining that it is the old Roosevelt program dressed up in new phrases.

With the reconvening of congress, party politics, which was temporarily submerged, is once more coming to the surface.

In Other Days

From the Observer, Sept. 24, 1920

Marius Douma & Roscoe Moore were last reported to be through Chicago on their way to the Democracy-Tunney fight at Philadelphia.

A temporary bridge is being constructed over the John Day river on the Old Oregon Trail to serve until the new concrete and steel bridge is finished.

From the Observer, Sept 22, 1946

E. S. Ruggles and C. G. Silver are new owners of Chalmers six autos.

J. F. Belshee has sold two sets of heavy duty harness to P. J. Dillinger for use on his farm east of Monkland.

L. J. Pape and R. C. Byers are two early bird farmers who have already seeded a crop for next year before this year's crop is in the sack.

Roy Harbin was down from Kent this week to have Dr. Morgan pull a tooth.

Speaking of the visit of J. H. Shearer to The Dalles the Optimist says "he has done more for the roads of Wasco county than any other man.

W. M. Barnett, Wasco banker, is creating a market in Portland for our Sherman county wheat hay.

O. W. Axtell received some tomatoes from Albany last week that were prize takers.

Richard Dingle's crop of 500 acres netted 3676 sacks of No. 1 wheat.

GEORGE G. UPEGRAFF Attorney At Law Moro and Wasco

Moro Lodge No. 113, I.O.O.F. Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesdays in I.O.O.F. hall. Transient and visiting brothers are cordially invited to meet with us.



John Goette, Author of "Japan Fights For Asia", Nationally Known Lecturer and Radio Commentator

WAKE UP, AMERICA!

Can Japan Be Democratized?

As debated by John Goette, Author of "Japan Fights For Asia", and Armin C. Croft, President, National Foremen's Institute, Inc., Authority on International Labor-Management Problems

MR. GOETTE OPENS: If Japan cannot be democratized, the reflection will be on our ability to sell our system on its merits.

MR. CROFT OPENS: Of course, Japan cannot be "democratized". This business of our demanding that "democracy" be accepted by any and all peoples is just about the saniest bit of political phillandering possible.

MR. GOETTE CHALLENGES: Mr. Croft begs the question. Democracy is government in the hands of the people.

MR. CROFT CHALLENGES: I still think we talk too loosely about democracy. What kind of democracy do we expect the Japanese to digest without suffering serious civil convulsions?

MR. GOETTE REPLIES: Banish your defeatism, Mr. Croft! Failure with Germany after 1918 is reason to succeed in Japan.

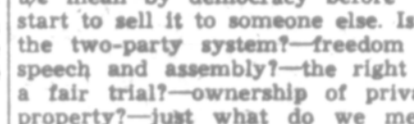
MR. CROFT REPLIES: We are slamming the door shut on Japan when we strip her of empiref Japan became a ranking world power through the fruits of victory acquired as our ally in World War I.

Let Us Then Be Up and Doing "A hen" sez Pa Trokman, "is the only creature that can produce dividends by jist settin' around"

Fureka Lodge No. 121 A.F. & A.M. Meets on the 1st and 3rd Thursday evenings of each month.

Bethlehem Chapter No. 78, O.E.S. Meets Every Second and Fourth Thursdays in each Month.

From where I sit... by Joe Marsh



Andy Botkin has a hobby

Andy Botkin, tavern keeper at the Garden Cafe, has a hobby. It's writing to all the service men who used to make his place a sort of club.

And he showed me the letters that he's got back... from homesick privates to reminiscent colonels. Letters about home and

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SOUVENIRS Is there a little "booby-trap" lurking in your home? That was the question Colonel A. V. Disham, ordnance officer for the Ninth Service Command, asked hundreds of persons in the West who unsuspectingly have "sudden death"—ammunition souvenirs—in their homes today.

Funds... for Continued Food Production



Oregon's farmers and ranchers will find this bank always ready to lend money to handle crops, to buy needed farm machinery, to modernize buildings... in short, to further food production. Prompt and courteous farm loan service always.

Notice The common council of the city of Moro, by virtue of the power vested in it by Ordinance No. 16 does hereby ordain that five foot concrete sidewalks shall be built as follows:

West side of First Street between Scott and Court Streets and extended 100 feet further north on said west side of First St. to the alley of Block 21.

East side of Fourth St. between McCoy and Court Streets. Unimproved part on the North side of McCoy St. between First and Second Streets.

The cost of the walks shall be forty cents (40c) per square foot for the grading, pouring and finishing of a sidewalk four inches deep which charge shall be assessed against the adjacent property and become a lien upon said property.

Giles L. French, Mayor ATTEST: C. A. Ruggles, Recorder Dated this 19th day of September, 1945

Advertisement for Andy Botkin's hobby, featuring a portrait of Andy Botkin and text about his letters to service men.

Advertisement for the Dalles Branch of The United States National Bank, featuring a portrait of a soldier and text about the Soldier of the Soil fund.