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About Government,
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with especial emphasis

on the Northwest

Those critics who have been disappointed the President Truman did not appoint a western man as Secretary of the Interior Department should read how J. A. Krug, took down his hair in an article he wrote for a magazine two months ago. According to his own writing, Krug knows what the west needs and suggests what should be done. The west, says Krug, needs industry.

High points in the Krug article state: The west is a country as large as Europe, excluding Russia, tremendously wealthy in natural resources, highly civilized and ambitious to get ahead. That country is the western half of the United States, which contains 61 percent of our national area. It embraces North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas, Montana, Wyoming, Colorado, New Mexico, Idaho, Utah, Arizona, Nevada, Washington, Oregon and California. These 17 states contain 21 percent of the population, but account for only 11 percent of our manufacturing. Yet they produce 56 percent of the nation's minerals and contain 70 percent of the timber. The area also has 75 percent of our electric energy.

These western states could support many millions of new population if there were industries to maintain them. Without heavy basic industries, such as steel, aluminum etc., there can be no fabricating industries—not with the steel industry in the east. Without a multiplicity of industries, businesses and services do not increase.

While 75 percent of the nation has only 20 percent of its manufacturing (Krug adds to the west the south in these figures), less than 10 percent of it has 65 percent of the manufacturing. This tiny area is in the northeastern region which produces only 4 percent of our lumber and 26 percent of our minerals. In natural resources, compared with the west this small region is comparatively poor, yet it contains 43 percent of our total population and receives 56 percent of our national income. The tiny area was developed at a time when fuel, water transportation, markets, labor and steel were locally available. The rest of the United States was left to the farmers and the Indians.

"We have found," writes Krug, "that most of the wealth of the nation lies elsewhere than in the little empire of the northeastern states—the west and south are far richer in timber, ore and agricultural products for fabrication than the 11 states which have two-thirds of our industry."

The vast western region has ample hydro-electric development more than seven times the electric power of the little industrial empire—and cheaper power. South and west have seaports and highways. Everything necessary for the development of industry is at hand, yet they have no industry. Why?

Mr. Krug charges the industrialists of the east are responsible. They oppose decentralization; say there is no labor in the west; no transportation. The established and entrenched magnates are afraid of competition. For years they have lobbied and publicized their cause and are still doing it. Mr. Krug says the government spent two hundred million dollars on the Geneva war steel producing plant near Provo, Utah. Thirty large steel companies were invited to bid for the plant. There was not a single bid. Geneva may eventually be auctioned for salvage, unless Henry Kaiser takes

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FUTURE FARMERS AT WHITE HOUSE . . . President Truman shows as he received members of the board of trustees of the "Future Farmers of America." Left to right: Virgil Getto, Fallon, Neb.; Eugene Starkey, Orlan, Calif.; President Truman; J. Glyndon, Polo, Ill.; Joseph E. Espey, Maryville, Mo., and Marion Baumgardner, Wellington, Texas. The organization has an active membership of 200,000, all training to become farmers.

High School Play Pleases Capacity Crowd At Moro Gymnasium

The senior play, "Broken Dishes" presented by the senior class of the Moro High school here Friday night, with Mrs. B. H. Robertson as director, brought many laughs from the audience which enjoyed the confusion of Everett Cantrall (Cyrus Bumpsted) and gloried in the humiliation of Mary von Borstel (Jennie Bumpsted) his wife, who had spent some 25 years playing household tyrant.

Method employed by the ruler in the house of Bumpsted was to constantly recall the wondrous life she might have led had she married one Carroll Noonan (Chester Armstrong), who in the lengthening years had grown into a pleasant, if fictitious, legend.

The elder daughters, Margie Barnett and Mary Lyons (Myra and Mable) had become old maids while waiting for a mate half as glamorous as the glorified Chester. The younger daughter, Eileen Lemley (Elaine), who was emotionally interested in Wayne Melzer (Bill Clark), had enough of her mother's dominating instincts that she broke the spell and liberated hen-pecked Cyrus and the remainder of the family.

Dunlap Family All Get Together Last Friday

Mr and Mrs A. A. Dunlap went to Portland Friday for their family reunion held at the Imperial Hotel Saturday when all their children were present for the first time in ten years. Those present were Charles Dunlap from Los Angeles, California; Mrs. Paul Wilson of Moro; Mrs. Vern Mobley of Shaniko; Mr and Mrs Kendrick Dunlap from Carlton and Mrs. Anita Barnett of Camp Adair. On Sunday they all went to Yamhill where they had dinner with Mrs. A. A. Dunlap's brother, Guy Haynes and family.

Mrs. Earl Harvey and son, Joe, and Mrs. Earl were business visitors in The Dalles Friday. Mrs. Lewis Olds and Mrs. Ted Trimble were in The Dalles Saturday on business.

Mr and Mrs Alfred Kock left Saturday for Sandy to attend the 55th wedding anniversary of his parents, Mr and Mrs H. Kock, at the home of his brother, Walter Kock on Sunday.

Jim Jones left Saturday for the valley to visit his sister who is ill. Mr and Mrs. Arthur Schilling and children were business visitors in The Dalles Friday.

Miss Nellie Conroy returned from Portland where she spent several weeks for medical treatment.

L. K. Smith and Mr and Mrs Jerry Cunliff and daughter, went to Goldendale Saturday on business.

Archie's Cash Store will open for business Friday March 15 located in the Baker building. Archie Cantrall proprietor.

Pioneer Party Program Plans Perfected

President Theodore Johnston of the historical society and Secretary Mrs. Ted von Borstel have arranged the program for the meeting to be held Friday evening, March 22 at the Moro school house.

The number that is the most anticipated is the talk of Governor Earl Snell, who will speak on the early history of this area. In addition to the governor, business of the meeting will be the adoption of the constitution and by-laws of the society and the recruiting of members.

The musical part of the program will start with the singing of the national anthem with Miss Vivian Trounce as accompanist. Theodore Johnston will lead the Pledge of Allegiance, Mrs. Lois Hilderbrand will sing a solo and Mrs. Adie Rugger will give a suitable reading. Everett Cantrall will give a musical number. The meeting will begin at 8 p. m. in the school auditorium.

Case Company Cinema Coming

The Case machinery people are going to present a show to this community at the school house next Wednesday night, March 20, according to Mike Muck, local dealer. Three films showing use of this brand of tractor and tillage tools will be a soil erosion picture, to cover a part of a subject that is now receiving the attention it has so long deserved, considering its importance to landowners.

The show will begin at eight o'clock p. m.

Kent Service Family Goes To Bonneville

Mr and Mrs Frank von Borstel went to Bonneville Wednesday to be present at a Legion meeting that evening. They returned Thursday.

Wilbur and Judy, small children of Mr and Mrs D. W. Helyer, are spending several days with their grandparents in The Dalles. John Woods of Mill City, came Sunday to visit with friends and relatives for a few days.

Mr and Mrs Robert Tatum and daughter of The Dalles were weekend visitors at the home of the latter's parents, Mr and Mrs J. F. Norton.

Having received his discharge from the army, T-4 Earl Lyons, arrived Wednesday to visit at the home of his parents, Mr and Mrs Alfred Lyons. At the end of ninety days he is going to re-enlist.

CHURCHES

Grass Valley Baptist Church
Sunday School 10:00 A. M.
Morning Worship 11 A. M.

Howard A. Schilling, pastor
Moro Community Church
James D. Moberg, pastor
Bible School 10:00 A. M.

Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.
Congregational meeting at the close of service.
Christian Endeavor 7:30 P. M.

Christian Science Society
Service at 11 a. m., Subject: "Mind"

Wednesday meetings first and third Wednesdays of each month include testimonials of healing. The reading room in the rear of the church contains all authorized Christian Science literature which may be borrowed or purchased.

WASCO METHODIST CHURCH
Sunday School 10 A. M.
Morning Worship—11 a. m.

There will be no preaching service at the Grass Valley Methodist church Sunday afternoon March 17.

Junior League 6:30 p. m.
F. L. Cannell, Pastor

Red Cross Drive Not Rolling At Top Speed

No More Solicitor Found
Handicapping County
Campaign Seriously

Curt Tom, Sherman county director of the Red Cross campaign, is having some trouble finding solicitors for all of the communities of the county. Press of private business is the most frequent reason given.

Solicitors named are Mrs. Winnie Wilson at Kent; Mrs. Ed Alley and Mrs. D. L. Reynolds at Grass Valley; Rev. F. L. Cannell, assisted by A. C. Kaseberg, Paulen Kaseberg, Mrs. Hugh White, Mrs. Selma Watkins and Mrs. Walter Bruckert at Wasco. Mr. Tom, aided by his daughter, Catherine and Mrs. Herman Brackett will canvass the Rufus community.

No one has been found in the Moro community to undertake the collection of funds for the organization.

Quota for the county is \$3400 which has been partially raised by contributions already made in districts covered.

Young Folks Party Given At Earl Fields Home

Mr and Mrs Earl Fields entertained the following guests at a buffet dinner Sunday evening: Messrs and Mesdames Keith McDonald, Dewey Thomas, Wayne Barton, Ira Fridley and Joan, C. W. Fields, Norman Fields, Damon Fields and family, Mrs. Wilma Wilde, Gladys Moore, Shirley and Jean McIntyre, Clyde Fridley Jr., Barbara McConaughy, Steve O'Meara and Beatrice Welk.

Miss Anne Edgington of Seattle, daughter of Mr and Mrs A. D. Edgington, has been visiting her parents in Wasco.

Mrs. Dan McDermid returned to Portland with her son in law, Kenneth Blau. She plans to visit Kenneth and Mrs. Blau.

The Women's Society of Christian service of the Methodist church, is holding its annual tea at the home of Mrs. Hildred Zell Wednesday, March 20th.

Mr and Mrs Tom Jacobson are the parents of a son born Saturday, March 9 at The Dalles hospital.

Mr and Mrs A. C. Kaseberg spent the week end in Portland visiting their daughter, Janet.

Guests of Mrs. Augusta Huckin Sunday were Mrs. Bess Pound, Mrs. Ella Hyslop, Mr and Mrs Tarratt, and Mrs. Steyger of California.

Charles Hartmann, son of Mr and Mrs Gus Hartmann, has received his discharge from the navy and returned home Monday. Mrs. F. L. Cannell is spending a few days in Portland.

Visitors in The Dalles Monday were Mrs. Ted Everett, Rev. F. L. Cannell, Mrs. Sadie Rich, Mrs. Arthur Van Gilder, Mrs. Sam Brock and Mrs. Steve McMillen. The pot luck dinner at the Methodist church Sunday was attended and well enjoyed.

Mr and Mrs W. C. Reid are spending two or three weeks with Mr Reid's parents. Mr and Mrs W. R. Reid, before returning to Portland, where Mr Reid has a job with the railroad.

Donald Bryant and Jim Coets left Tuesday for Seattle, Wash., where they plan to attend Seattle college when the term starts March 20th.

Mrs. Sam Brock entertained the Tuesday contract club at the home of Mrs. Estrella Hailey. Tuesday March 5. Mrs. Joe Hilderbrand won first prize.

Six Wasco members of the Pythian Sisters went to The Dalles Monday evening to an initiation.

Partnership Problem Puzzles Court

The long delayed trial to determine whether a partnership agreement existed between W. A. Richmond of Kennewick, Wn., and A. D. Edgington of Wasco has been going on in the court room since Tuesday morning with Judge D. N. Mackay on the bench.

The plaintiff, Richmond, alleges that he has advanced some \$33,000 to Edgington, defendant and that they are partners in the Columbia Machine Shop. Edgington contends that an actual, if not written, partnership exists.

Attorney for Richmond is Harold J. Warner; for Edgington is E. A. Boyrie, both men coming from Portland. T. Lester Johnson is associated with Boyrie. Friday is expected to see the finish of the case in the opinion of attorneys and observers.

Government Order Restricts Feed Men

The USDA recognizes the special need of wheat in mixed feed on the Pacific coast and has increased the allowance up to 85 percent of the amount of grain so used in the corresponding calendar month of 1945, according to the full text of the amended wheat order received by the OSC extension service. The order adds, however, that steps are being taken to make more corn and other feed grains available to this area as rapidly as possible, to help reduce the amount of wheat used as feed.

These Items Were News 19, 29 and 39 Years Ago

From the Observer, Mar. 18, 1927

Vernon Platt has bought the Lee property from J. B. Adams who will move to the Poley house by April 15.

Tuesday morning Mayor N. W. Thompson took over the Moro Hotel from the city under lease and immediately installed E. E. Larimore as manager.

Carl Tomlin and wife drove up from Salem Saturday because of the serious illness of his father. He says brother George is with the Marines in Nicaragua.

Friday evening R. C. Byers suffered a badly lacerated hand when he fell from the side of a moving car to the graveled highway.

From the Observer, Mar. 16, 1917

A debate at the high school on government ownership of railroads had Telva Martin, Collis Moore and Lee Stewart for the affirmative and Carlton Ross, Netah Martin and Willis Buxton for the negative, the latter winning.

Neil McDonald was in Saturday and purchased two sets of harness from the Belshee harness shop.

At the close of business March 13 the sheriff had received taxes amounting to \$15,253 which is \$4,738 better than last year. More are paying in full this year.

City election in Moro is to be held April 2, and we have heard of no one who wants the job of running the city.

From the Observer, Mar. 15, 1907
A woman suffragist says "women can vote as easily as they can try on a new hat". That is not encouraging enough to win many votes.

E. E. and L. Barnum are preparing to build a big barn on the Gould farm.

G. L. Rohr, with the aid of the Hon. M. T. Nolan, has opened the road from the Villa to Free Bridge.

Mayor J. O. Elrod has been over into Gilliam county making arrangements to have his farm plowed.

Legionnaires Celebrate 27th Birthday of Order

Fast Moving Program Draws Big Crowd to IOOF Hall For Post-Unit Dinner

Nearly a hundred Legionnaires and Auxiliaries gathered around the banquet board Wednesday night to celebrate the 27th anniversary of the founding of the American Legion. Exact date is March 15. Wednesday was the regular meeting date for the local post so its proximity was utilized.

The meeting had been arranged through the work and organizational ability of Willy Knighten who arranged the catering, the room and most of the other details.

With Robert Marvin as master of ceremonies the program rolled along rapidly after the huge birthday cake had been cut by Post Commander Max Belshee and his mother, Mrs. Hazel Belshee. Introduced were Mrs. Elizabeth Schaeffer, widow of a civil war veteran, Mrs. Carl Melzer, president of the Auxiliary, Mrs. Lloyd Henrichs, who arrived last winter from Australia as bride of Captain Henrichs, Group singing was done during the final serving of the cake.

Present was Judge George N. Davis of Hood River, who was a member of the three man committee delegated to write the preamble of the constitution of the American Legion. With Hamilton Fish, long a congressman from the Hyde Park district of New York, and Jack Greenway, rough rider from Arkansas, Judge Davis, then a resident of Delaware, wrote the first draft of the now well known preamble. Most of the phrases are identical. He told the story of the organization meeting in St. Louis when the American Legion was established with a constitution.

Harold Warner Talks

Harold J. Warner, former state commander and former national vice-commander of the Legion, spoke for the younger veterans when he said feelingly that he believed the younger men should aim to join the Legion as a way of life. Division among veterans as to type of service weakened the chances of the veteran to obtain the things they may most desire, said Warner, who has served in both wars, being discharged as a major from World War II.

"The American Legion and Its Place in the Community" was the topic of the talk by Giles Franch who held that service to community state and nation was the noblest objective ex-service men might attain. Upon careful watchfulness by the citizen depends the safety from war of the next generation.

Norman Fields favored with some puzzling sleight-of-hand tricks that assured him a place on many programs in the future. Frank Sayrs, accompanied by his mother, Mrs. Carroll Sayrs played two tuba solos.

Rain Falls To Wet New-sown Wheat

The long awaited rain that has been keeping the sky cloudy for a couple of weeks fell Monday night and Tuesday and resulted in the ground dampened by 30 inch of rain. This is a comparatively small amount in consideration of the preparation the weather had made for the rainfall, out was well received by the farmers, most of whom have finished their spring seeding. Rainfall now is still above the long time average for the crop season. When soil samples are taken later this month it can be determined how much has gone into the ground.