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Those who would trade freedom for security are deserving of neither.

OPA AND FARMERS

Farmers are not being treated very well in stories about the increase in prices since the OPA demise.

It is too bad that the same law contained subsidies as well as price control. On milk, it is claimed that the subsidy was worth two cents per quart to the producer and milk has gone up that amount.

There are other examples. Those who are principally interested in the farmers might have had sufficient foresight to have prevented this condition from developing.

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THE LEGION AND THE FUTURE

For a great many newly made ex-service men the convention held in Portland earlier this week was their first American Legion convale. They will have no way of knowing that the stories about it might have been written in 1919 as in 1946, and that both the stories and the Legion miss the point.

There are welcoming speeches by public officials filled with wordy praise for what the veterans have done. Then some more public officials or service organization members tell what a particular branch of government can do or will do for the veterans—more pensions, bonus, sale of property, etc.

Then there is a bunch of whoop-de-doo, a parade, a contest about something or other from blonds to bands and the boys go merrily and wearily home.

Twenty five years ago, even twenty and fifteen, that was a lot of fun and about what a convention should be complete with noise, pillow fights, bathtub gin and reunions.

Now it is pitiful. Here is probably the strongest group of young men in the whole world when physical fitness training, education and potential ability is concerned. There are more veterans in other nations, but ours will outrank them in quality.

Talks on preparedness are common enough at Legion conventions. The Legion has long had a preparedness program—and a good one, which seemed to get lost in the search for a bonus.

What this group of young men will either do or wish they had done, is to take sufficient interest in government, local, city, state and federal that peace will be possible in the future. That doesn't look like a very easy job. Undoubtedly it will require some effort, some reading and effort. No one so far in this world has done much about keeping the peace although many generations have bested the World War I veterans by two or three hundred percent.

If the present crop of veterans want to have a good time at conventions that is but a natural inclination and no one can do much of a job quarrelling with human nature. But there's more important work these new ex-service men must do.

SARGENT HOME JARRED BY LIGHTNING

The apparent joy with which towns along the Columbia are speaking of the coming Interstate Commerce Commission hearing about the suit to force joint rail and water rates in the west finds little response in towns away from the river who will be damaged by the change—if it comes.

If the ICC permits the ruling it will make it possible for wheat to be loaded on barges at The Dalles and shipped to Portland that way. The rate will be less as there is a twenty percent differential given water transportation in some act of the Federal government.

On the face of it that sounds fine: Use of the river and twenty percent, too. Rate reductions sound fine and we'd ought to know. We have had our share. The rate now on wheat from Moro to Portland is 6.9 cents per bushel, it having raised from 6.6 cents the first of this month. The rate to The Dalles is the same 11.5 per hundred, 6.9 cents per bushel. From The Dalles to Portland the rate is 8 cents.

The joint rate, if put into effect, would probably cut twenty percent from the 6.9. What the handling charges would be is unknown but probably as much or more per bushel as twenty percent of 6.9 when it is considered that wheat must be put on barges and taken off again in 90 miles.

One of the arguments against the invocation of the joint water rate is that the water transportation is still too small to handle the wheat crop.

No one knows how much smaller the income of the branch line can be and still be justified in the minds of the ICC. As long as crops are near 3,000,000 bushels there is little trouble justifying the existence of the Kent branch. Should crops become smaller (which is possible) and the rate be cut a little, would we be able to force the railroad to continue operating the branch?

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MORE FOR LESS

Walter Reuther wants labor to strike against the rise in the cost of food, particularly meat. It was only a short time ago that farmers were wondering if they shouldn't strike against the strike of Mr Reuther.

Mr Reuther reminds us of a small boy who owns the baseball and who won't play unless he can be pitcher, although Reuther sometimes seems to covet the catching job as well.

Labor leaders should remember that it was the price of labor that went up first and was a potent force in making it necessary to raise the price of food. It was 18 percent, wasn't it, that Mr Reuther settled for after keeping his men out all winter? Subsidies considered, foods haven't gone up that much so far.

Each group in trying to improve its comparative position must obtain an advantage over another group. That is sometimes very hard to do. Labor has had marked success recently, and cannot expect to go on getting more for what it gives.

The butter situation is reminiscent of the merchant who priced goods very low when he didn't have any of them. Butter was 58 cents a pound when there wasn't any butter, now ten to twenty cents up with subsidies and OPA off and butter available.

WASHINGTON COLUMN

Continued from page one. barrel grabs that will come in the days ahead. As a case in point, he cited the action of the house in rejecting subsidies in the Veterans' Housing Bill only to reverse its action a few days later and authorize \$400,000,000 for this purpose.

Also, the Nebraska congressman asserted, the prospect is for ten million persons on the pension and compensation rolls by 1995 from World War II. The number now is 1,546,771. His estimate was based on the pension roll of Spanish-American veterans now standing at 195,989, forty-seven years after the war was ended. The total number in the armed services in the war with Spain was only 296,991. Thus for every three in uniform there are now two persons drawing a pension.

It was also pointed out by the Nebraska lawmaker that the Government is getting more and more liberal each year when it comes to veteran affairs. Where the stopping point is no one seems to know.

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During a severe electrical storm Saturday night, lightning struck a tree in the yard at the G. A. Sargent home, starting a fire besides burning out their telephone.

Mr and Mrs Charles S. Fulton spent last week vacationing at Portland and Seaside.

Mrs Harold White and Mrs Hugh White made a shopping trip to Portland last week. Mr and Mrs J. E. Walker of Melfort, Saskatchewan, Canada, visited at the home of Mr and Mrs Dan McDermid, Sunday. Mr Walker and his wife, who is a sister of Mrs McDermid, are vacationing in Seattle and Vancouver before returning to Canada.

Jim Coats is home from Seattle for the summer. Mrs Hal Shelton and Nancy of Seaside, are spending sometime visiting at the home of her parents, Mr and Mrs Ed McKee.

John Crosby Barnett of Portland is visiting at the home of his aunt and uncle, Mr and Mrs O. G. Hilderbrand.

Mr and Mrs William Nisbet, Gwen and Bud, spent the week end visiting relatives in Idaho.

Valdes Wilde, who was home on furlough from Denver, will be stationed at Spokane, Wn., where he has been transferred.

Mr and Mrs Marlon Crews have returned from their honeymoon and are making their home in Moro.

Douglas Lutje, who is stationed in New York, is home on furlough until the latter part of this month.

John Hilderbrand is in Seattle waiting to be discharged from the navy.

Mr and Mrs Chet Barbour and family, recently of Idaho, have purchased the Weatherford house and are making their home in Wasco.

Visitors at the home of Mr and Mrs Charles Fulton are Mr and Mrs James Fulton and Joyce Ann of Los Angeles, California and Mrs David Kulon of Portland. They plan to make a weeks visit.

Mr and Mrs Otto Hinkle of The Dalles and a sister, Mrs Fernish of Illinois, were Sunday dinner guests at the home of Mr and Mrs O. G. Hilderbrand.

Mr and Mrs Hildred Zell visited last week in Portland and Seaside.

Mrs R. E. Hickson from Portland is visiting a few days with Mrs G. A. Sargent.

Mr and Mrs Lee Colten of Timberline Lodge visited at the Chas. Everett home Monday evening.

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NOTICE OF FINAL HEARING

NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned have filed in the County Court of the State of Oregon for Sherman County their Final Report and Account as Executrix and Executor of the last will and testament of J. L. Davis, deceased, and that Saturday, the 27 day of July, 1946, at ten o'clock A. M. of said day, at the County Courtroom, at the Courthouse in Moro, Sherman County, Oregon, has been fixed by the Court as the time and place for hearing of objections to said Final Report and Account and the settlement of said estate.

Emma Davis Luther W. Davis Geo. G. Updegraff, Attorney for Executrix and Executor.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed her final account with the County Clerk of Sherman County, Oregon, in the estate of Julius Medler, deceased, and that the 12th day of August, 1946, at the hour of 11 o'clock A. M. of said day in the County Court Room in Moro, Oregon, has been fixed as the time and place for the hearing thereof. All persons interested are hereby notified to appear at such time and place and show cause, if any there be, why such final account should not be allowed and an order made discharging said executrix.

Gina Medler, Executrix Estate of Julius Medler, dec'd. Gavin & Gavin, Attorneys for Executrix The Dalles, Oregon. 34-37c



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