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There are mixed feelings in Washington, D. C. over the release from the Nuernberg trial of Franz von Papen. For years, prior to the first world war, von Papen was attached to the German embassy in this city. He was a likeable chap, a polished diplomat, and he was one of two men who were handling the German espionage in the United States. Von Papen was suspected of directing some of the espionage work, but government agents could not "get the goods" on him. He was under such suspicion, however, that this country asked that he be recalled, to which the Kaiser agreed, as von Papen's usefulness disappeared when he became an object of suspicion.

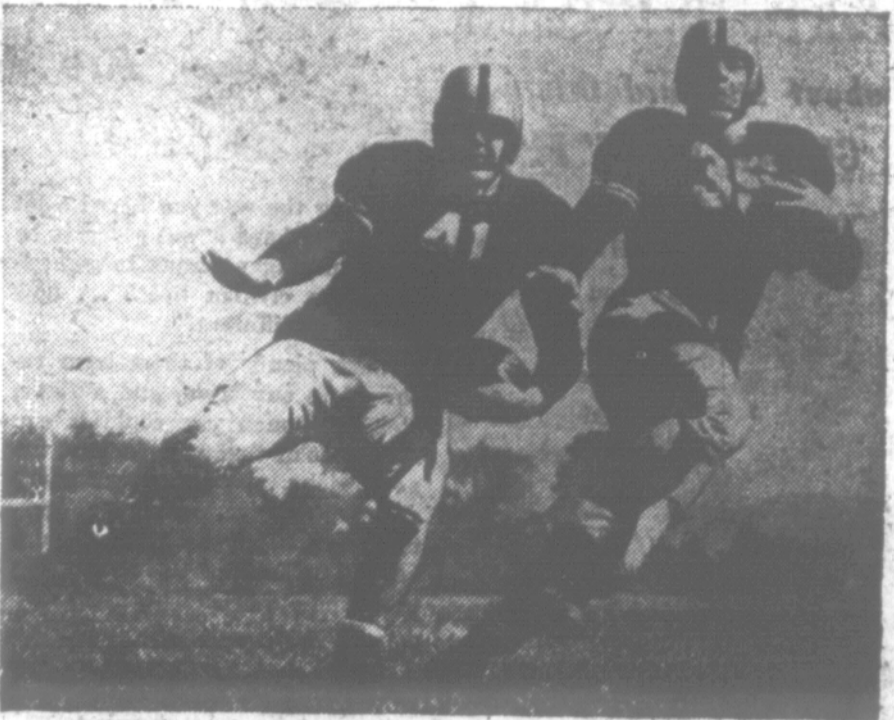
When Hitler came into power, von Papen supported him for a time, then denounced the policies of the Nazi leader, whereupon two men who collaborated with him on his speech, were promptly assassinated. Later Hitler sent von Papen to Austria where he paved the way for Germany to absorb that country. There were various times during the war when stories appeared in the press that von Papen was skating on thin ice, and Hitler grew to dislike him. It was after von Papen left America that this government finally found evidence of his operations in the United States. Documentary evidence was unearthed revealing that von Papen had arranged for the manufacture of bombs which were to be concealed in the holds of vessels carrying supplies to the British, these bombs were to explode and destroy the vessels at sea. It was then too late to indict von Papen for he was in Europe and has never since returned to the land of the stars and stripes.

During World War I, the American people wondered how stories dealing with German intrigue became known. There was no FBI in those days. The publisher of a newspaper in Providence, R. I., planted two reporters in the embassy and from this source the government's suspicion regarding von Papen were first aroused. However, while the reporters had reason to suspect von Papen, they could not secure the information necessary to tie him into the various acts of sabotage that were occurring.

To reporters of Washington, who served here in the first world war, Franz von Papen was known as "the fox", a name which fit him like a glove.

A. F. Whitney, president of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, is gunning for President Truman. He is still boiling because President Truman appealed to Congress to seize the rails, and was in the midst of that appeal when he was handed a note stating that Whitney had given in and called off the strike. Whitney then declared he would use the \$30,000,000 in the treasury of the union to defeat Truman if he runs for the presidency again. One of the few who rushed to the defense of Henry A. Wallace when the latter made his speech criticizing the United States foreign policy was Whitney.

The background of Whitney is not generally known. He has been a contributor to communistic publications for several years, and has been active in many of the communistic movements. When he called a strike of the trainmen, there were people in Washington who expressed the opinion that he wished to paralyze the railroads, thereby creating as much confusion as possible, which is a party of the communist "line". There has been no recanting by Whitney nor apology for his activities in communistic circles. He is still standing pat, and is as bitter as ever against the President of the United States. As a rule the brotherhood of railway trainmen, (the most wealthy labor organization in the world) are members of the democratic party and threw their weight to Mr. Roosevelt in the various times he was a candidate for chief executive.



DAVIS AND BLANCHARD AGAIN... The Army's touchdowns twice, Glen Davis, left, and "Doc" Blanchard, demonstrate how they plan to shake the opposition during the coming football season. They were snapped during practice at the United States military academy, West Point.

Grass Valley Sportsmen Attend Goldendale Football Game

Among the Grass Valley people attending the football game at Goldendale Friday between Moro and Goldendale high schools were Harry Stark, Herman Ziegler, Ina May Ziegler, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bayer, Mrs. Frank Bayer Sr., Mrs. Charles Perrigo, Claud Bayer, John Buether, Anna Laurie Brueckman, Milo Elliott, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Payne and daughter, Alpha Jean, Leone Moore, Marie Blagg, Jackie Rust and Verna June Coyle.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Balzer and son, Cpl. Clair Balzer and their house guests, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Felt and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Treabess from Chicago motored to Cello Monday to watch the Indians fish and on to The Dalles where Cpl. Balzer took the bus for Port Lewis after spending the week end with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Olds, John and Barbara Alley and Julia Bayer and Gus Engstrom were in The Dalles Friday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Grover Young returned recently from a trip to San Francisco and Oakland, California where they visited her sister, Mrs. O. R. Baldwin in the latter city, who came home with them for a visit. She will also visit relatives in Seattle.

Earl Harvey took his wife to a hospital in The Dalles the first of last week suffering third degree burns caused when she was scalded with boiling water.

The deer hunters returned home the last of the week with very little venison, some saw deer but could not get them.

Mr. and Mrs. John Rust and daughters were in The Dalles Monday on business.

Milo Elliott and son, Milo Jr., left Friday for their home in Sheridan after spending several days visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bayer.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Balzer have as their house guests Mr. Balzer's sisters and their husbands, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Felt and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Treabess who arrived Sunday from Chicago, Illinois.

Among the Grass Valley people leaving last week end for Portland to attend the Pacific International stock show were Mr. and Mrs. Mildard Eakin and family Mr. and Mrs. Wallace May and son, Clarence, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Kock and son, Bud, Mr. and Mrs. Art Bibby and son, Stephen, Mr. and Mrs. Willard Barnett and son, Keith, and Mr. and Mrs. Herman Ziegler.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Balzer had as dinner guests Sunday their son and daughter in law, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Balzer and son, Carcel, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Felt and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Treabess, and Cpl. Clair Balzer.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Perry and

Teachers Hear Radio Commentator Talk

Teachers of Sherman county schools attended the institute at The Dalles Monday and Tuesday and between instruction about teaching and discussion of association affairs, heard William Winter, radio commentator, tell of the attitude of the people of the far east toward America and our political philosophy. Indians, said Winter, are not interested in the freedoms of democracy, but in a political and economic change that will give them more food and a better chance at the better things of life.

daughter, Donna Deane, left Sunday on business in Portland for a few days.

Bill Brinkert left Monday for Portland to attend the Pacific International stock show and the Northern banquet.

Walter Schwartz of The Dalles was a business visitor here Sunday.

Dr. Willard M. Aldrich, president of the Multnomah School of the Bible in Portland, will be speaking at the Grass Valley Baptist church on Sunday, Oct. 13. Friends of the church are invited to hear his message.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Elliott of Vancouver, Washington are the parents of a daughter born Wednesday, October 2 at a hospital in Vancouver. The baby was named, Carol Sue. Mr. and Mrs. Dean Reynolds are the baby's grandparents.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Reynolds motored to Vancouver last Sunday to bring their grand daughter, Sandra, home with them for several months.

Mr. and Mrs. C. I. Laffoon and Mr. and Mrs. Ted Carlson (Cleo Laffoon) of Kent spent the first week of hunting season in the Ochoco National Forest. Ted brought home a nice four point buck.

In Other Days

From the Observer, Oct. 11, 1907
Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Thompson have made arrangements to live on their Monkland farm for a year. Mr. T. will amuse himself partly this fall by building a barn 48x48.

Andy May was badly injured in a runaway last week in the Monkland district. His team shied at a passing umbrella and started pulling him off his seat and the heavy wagon run over both legs, crushing the bones badly.

From the Grass Valley Journal October 12, 1917

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Nahouse have a new daughter to arrive at their home October 4th.

L. D. Eakin has bought the Gorman farm something like 320 acres.

Joe Newcomb has moved his outfit to the Herman Schilling ranch.

From the Observer, Oct. 14, 1927
Ray Hulise has moved his Moro dairy from lands owned by the E.O.L. Co. to the C. G. Hulise farm bought by him last spring. He has surrendered his lease on the land company property and sold the summer fallow to Henry Fuller.

A deer has been on exhibit at the Moro Market, brought in by F. L. Burnet, Dan McLachlan, Marius and G. Douma.

MORO COUPLE JARRED

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. May were shaken and Mrs. May was slightly hurt in an accident Saturday night two and one-half miles north of Wasco when a May truck and a car driven by Oscar Hanslien, fisherman from Seattle, Wn. came together. No serious damage was done and no persons hospitalized.

Among those who have visited the stock show for a day are Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. McKean, Mr. and Mrs. Giles French, Art Barnum, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Barnum, Eben Kee, Mrs. Tom Fraser, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Flatt, Mr. and Mrs. William Roos.

Sherman County Boys Share In Pl Prizes

Results of the judging and sale of 4-H fat steers at the Pacific International showed Sherman county herd of five topping the show. Gilliam county boys took two of the breed championships, Angus and Hereford and the Hereford calf of Henry Jaeger was made grand champion.

Ed Fritts had the best heavy Angus and Alfred Kock had the second best heavy Hereford according to reports from the show. Of the top ten Herefords, six were from Sherman county.

The sale, which was held Wednesday, brought the highest prices ever paid for 4-H livestock in Portland and perhaps anywhere else. Twenty-five dollars per pound was paid for the grand champion lamb, \$3.50 for the top fat hog and \$3.25 for the champion steer.

Inasmuch as the average price for beef was 35 cents per pound it seems likely that the clubbers will realize more from their stock than ever before.

Veterans May Get Agricultural Training

Veterans desiring to enroll or secure information about the farm training program under the G. I. Bill are urged to attend a meeting at the County Court House at Moro on Wednesday evening October 16, at 8:00 p. m. Representatives of the Veterans' Administration, State Division of Vocational Education and Carl G. Floten, Agricultural Instructor, at The Dalles High School will be in attendance to help veterans arrange this training or answer questions concerning this program. Farm training is open to all veterans eligible for education or vocational rehabilitation under either the G. I. Bill or public law 16, the latter for disabled veterans. They may receive the same monthly subsistence paid to veterans in schools or colleges or those engaged in on-the-job training. Veterans engaged in farming or planning to farm are encouraged to attend this meeting. Other veterans or interested persons are also welcome.

Gally Medler Buried In Wasco Cemetery After Death In Portland; Old Time Resident

Funeral services were held Monday at 2:00 p. m. from the Methodist church for John G. Medler who died in Portland Friday morning.

Surviving are the widow, Ella M. Medler, two sons Malcolm P. of Portland, John H. of National City, California and two daughters, Mrs. James Tower of Portland, Mrs. George Utley of Newport, and one brother, Frank Medler of Wasco. Rev. Cannell officiated with burial in the Wasco Sunnirise cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Elvris Rich and son returned from a business and vacation trip of a week spent in Portland and Walport.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Rich of Portland were weekend visitors of the former's mother, Mrs. Sadie Rich.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Cothran of Felton, California were houseguests of their son in law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. White.

Mrs. Ross Bargfield of Portland spent the weekend with her sister and brother in law, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Watkins.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Funk spent the weekend with their daughter and son in law, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Whipple of Portland.

Mrs. Jennie Hearing is visiting her sister and brother in law, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Udy at Hermiston before leaving for California.

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. McKee returned Sunday after a two weeks vacation spent in Portland visiting their son and daughter in law, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. McKee and son, Gordon, and their daughter and son in law, Mr. and Mrs. Hal Shelton and daughter, Nancy of Seaside.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Morrison accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Everett left Wednesday for Portland. Mr. and Mrs. Everett are spending a three weeks vacation visiting her brother and sister in law, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wagonman of Portland and their daughter and son in law, Mr. and

Moro Team Gets Tie In First Game of Season

Moro drew a tie with the Goldendale football team last Friday at Goldendale after it looked almost certain that the game would result in a victory for the local lads. Goldendale appeared weak in the early stages of the game but rallied to even the score.

Hoskinson, left end, scored the touchdown on a pass from Thompson, quarter for the Moro team.

Ed Fritts was injured early in the game when tackled on a line

plunge and Keith Bayer took over for him at fullback. It is not known whether Fritts will play against Madras today or not. He is at the stock show.

The first home game of the season will be played here at Recreation Field this afternoon at 1:30 against Madras, a team that has been going strong so far this season.

The line-up for the local boys will be similar to that which started at the Goldendale game which includes Pinkerton and Hoskinson, ends, Bill Flatt and Carl vonBorstel, tackles, Garrett and Phil vonBorstel, guards, Carl Ziegler, center, Foster, left half, Peters, right half, Thompson, quarter, Fritts or Bayer full.

MORO WOMEN VISIT IN HOOD RIVER

Last Sunday, Mrs. E. H. Moore, Mrs. W. D. Wallan, Mrs. Edith Burnet, Mrs. J. F. Foss and Mrs. A. H. Barnum drove to Hood River where they were the guests of Mrs. Elva Bryant at dinner at the Columbia Gorge hotel. Afterward they drove about the Hood River valley.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ruggles left for Grants Pass to attend the assessor's convention. They were to have gone by way of Crater Lake and expect to go on into California before coming home next week.

Andy Paulson came up from Portland this week to open the Moro Hotel barber shop. He has a wife and baby who are occupying an apartment in the hotel.

Mrs. Gertrude Brown of Portland visited this week with her sister in law, Mrs. Frances Henrichs, and other relatives.

Melvin Queen Held In Jail On Car Theft Charge

Melvin Queen, the 16 year old boy who stole LeRoy Wright's car last Thursday night and drove it to Bend is still in the county jail while officers of California and Washington and the federal ponder what to do with him.

Queen was a resident of a home at Santa Anita, Cal., when he left and went to Yakima, Wash., to work in the fruit and see the world. He took a car belonging to Clifford Young Wednesday, drove it to a few miles south of Moro, then took Wright's car.

He was apprehended in the outskirts of Bend by Sheriff Fields as he was abandoning the car. Fields had a prisoner for Salem and Queen was brought to Moro Saturday morning, where he is still awaiting disposal of his case.

John Conroy Buried In The Dalles

Funeral services for John Conroy, who died in The Dalles Friday, were held from St. Peter's Catholic church Monday morning with many friends from Sherman county in attendance.

Mr. Conroy came here from Ireland about 40 years ago and after working for sheep men, went into the business for himself. He bought land west of Grass Valley which he owned at the time of his death. He sold his sheep a few years ago and has been raising wheat.

Surviving are one sister, Nellie, in Oregon and some relatives in Ireland.

MORO SCHOOL GETS TWO NEW TEACHERS

New teachers have been hired by the local board and a full crew is on hand for the first time this school year. Miss Norma Westby of Madison, Minn., is teaching history and music and Jacob Ferguson of Lincoln, Neb., will arrive before the end of the week to coach and do some teaching. He is married and has a small baby which will prevent Mrs. Ferguson from making the trip west immediately.

Taxes Going Up Assessor's Sheet Shows

Assessor Charles Ruggles has completed his tax information that is annually made available to tax-payers of the county. It gives a financial picture of the county from the tax paying standpoint.

Valuations are slightly higher, having gone up about \$100,000 since last year. There is an increase in the value of farm machinery and in the value of property while the value of building on farms is down. This has caused an increase of \$30,000 in Wasco, \$20,000 in Moro and \$8,000 in Grass Valley.

The total amount to be raised by taxation is \$191,313.01 compared to \$175,068.21 last year an increase that has largely been caused by prices. The valuation of school districts remains about the same but the special school tax has increased from \$88,288 to \$97,315. The road fund has been pared slightly.

All city taxes have been reduced, Wasco's is down 2.1 mills, Grass Valley's down .4 mill and Moro, having gotten out of debt, dropped 12.4 mills to 2.2. Increase in city valuations will prevent full realization of the drop.

The overall millage is 10.2 in rural districts with no special school tax. This is made up by 4.1 for county and per capita school tax. The road tax is 3.5 mills and the non-high school tax is 2.6. Last year this total was 8.9 mills.

Highest tax will be in Wasco with 41.6 although the school tax there is less than in Moro where the total tax is 34.1 mills. This is nearly all school tax, 24.3 mills being levied for school purposes.

Part of school district taxes that come from utility is another feature of the report. Some districts receive no utility money and the highest in the county is district 3A which gets 86.68 percent of its total from utilities. Wasco gets 14.92 percent, Kent 9.16 percent, Moro 8.65 percent and Grass Valley 14.62 percent.

First National Sets New Figure

The First National Bank of Portland reached a milestone at the close of September when its loan totals emerged over the \$100,000,000 mark, as revealed in a report to the comptroller of currency. The exact figure of the bank's loans and discounts reached \$100,153,744.58, a \$20,000,000 advance in the three-month period between June 30 and September 30.

First National deposits swept to \$517,971,941.60, a clear gain of \$12,377,288 in the three months since June 30. During that period, the federal government withdrew \$18,500,000 in government funds from deposit with First National, which indicates an overall advance of \$30,877,288 in customer deposits.

Airport Information Wanted By State

The District Office Airports Branch of Civil Aeronautics Administration for Oregon is scheduling special dates in various cities of the State to assist the communities, cities, counties and other public agencies or combinations thereof in filing project requests for federal funds for aid in building and improving public airports as provided by the Federal Airport Act enacted May 13, 1946. The filing of a project request is an indication that the public agency making the request is interested in developing or improving an airport and also furnishing a guide for the amount of federal funds desired for this purpose and in allocating federal funds available to best cover the requests submitted and meet the needs of aviation. The filing of a project request does not obligate the federal government in definitely allocating funds for a project or does it obligate the public agency concerned to commit itself to a development program. The filing of a project request by a public agency is required, however, before it can be considered for federal aid in its contemplated airport development.