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## HERE'S HOPING FOR 1945

In 1945, the greatest collective interest of the American people will again center in the war.

Failure of predictions and implications of the allied leaders during the last few months and the resumption of the German offensive, even if only temporary, have so befuddled the American mind that the people will hereafter be cautious about predicting an early end of the war.

However, we should be safe in assuming that the European phase of the conflict will be over sometime next year. Surely, then we can hope for victory over the Japanese early in 1946 and perhaps the latter part of 1945.

Aside from the war itself, the aftermath of the conflict will bring new problems next year, if the war in Europe is concluded. The most pronounced will be the economic upheaval caused by reconversion of some of our war plants into peace-time work. Even partial reconversion in the United States and reconstruction in Europe will give business in this country a "shot in the arm", although government officials will try to minimize so far as possible the economic



disturbance.

If the war in Europe ends this year before the allies finish throttling the Japs, reconstruction will probably be started on a limited scale in the countries ravaged by the axis powers. The main sources of supplies for this work will be the United States and countries that have not been actively engaged in the war. This situation, however, may curtail to a certain extent availability of civilian goods in the United States.

The problems that will develop from the conclusion of the war in Europe will probably be more difficult of solution than the war itself, but will not have such a terrifying effect. Our problems will likely increase, but we will have finished a bloody job in Europe. So here's hoping the allies can turn on the Japs in earnest in 1945.



### LEGISLATIVE PREVIEW

There will be no delay in the organization of the 43rd legislative assembly of the state of Oregon scheduled by statute to convene January 8, earliest date the legislature ever met in this state. The 1943 session had a stormy launching with a two-day holdup over the election of a president of the senate. Elective majorities are assured Howard C. Belton and Eugene E. Marsh for president of the senate and speaker of the house respectively. Senator Belton, as president of the senate, will preside over that body and joint assemblies of the senate and house, appoint the chairman and members of 30 committees, appoint members of standing and numerous special interim committees, be authorized disability and be in an advantageous veto power, become acting governor in case of vacancy or position to run for governor. The speaker of the house has similar duties and succeeds the president of the senate to the gubernatorial chair in case of vacancy or disability of both the governor and the president of the senate.

It is plain as the words on a 24-sheet poster that the coming legislature will have more group sponsored bills to contend with than any preceding Oregon law-making body. The big storm scene will start in the first act and continue during the whole show, ammunition by the whiskey, milk, truck and labor groups will follow introduction of bills in their interest. These bills will be political hot potatoes filled with dynamite. Portland saloons (commonly and frequently referred to as speakeasies) will be the heavy dough troop. They will be in the lobby early with brief cases bulging and dripping. These liquor jugglers have been drilling for a long time as they realize the dries won during the last war and may try it again. Their errand will be to block any laws for temperance and to legalize streamlined saloons, cocktail bars and "refreshment clubs."

**ATTORNEY GENERAL RULES**  
Recent opinions by Attorney General George Neuner: One who auctions or attempts to auction real estate for a fee or commission is required to be licensed as a real estate broker. Justice courts have no jurisdiction over violations of C.275, O. L.41, relating to killing of game without a license.

**ASSESSORS CONSERVATIVE**  
The present inflationary prices on real property should not be used as a legitimate basis of assessment at the present time, nor should be until they have reached what may be considered a more permanent general level, the Willamette Valley Assessors' association decided at their annual meeting in Salem. Several assessors from outside the valley attended. Keeping uniformity of personal property assessments needs an enactment by the legislature, the assessors agreed.

**WITH ONE EYE SHUT**  
State Budget Director George Aiken has been annoyed for several better now. The trouble came 47 biennium was in the making several weeks by an eye infection. It

and he had to wear a patch over one eye. He claims that patch saved the taxpayers a great deal of money as he could see only one-half of the requests for increased appropriations made by state department heads.

### WINTER FOREST FIRES

There were several forest fires in Oregon the past week, the last one near Lacombe in Linn county, which destroyed about 50 thousand feet of logs. At this time of the year ferns have been dried out by frost and thaw and are a great fire hazard. The destruction wrought by fern fires is very great as the young sprouting trees under the ferns are completely destroyed. Many fires in the mid-winter season are started by "warm-up" fires in logging camps.

### CAPITAL SHORTS

Governor Earl Snell's latest pet, a 190-pound two-year old bear from eastern Siberia has found a home at the Portland zoo. Her name is Maria and she is a gift from Captain Badigan of a Russian ship. Oregon will spend \$16,400,000 a year for the first three years after the war. Secretary of State Robert S. Farrell, Jr. has distributed \$1,200,000 to counties as the second 1944 payment from the highway fund.

### GOVERNORS WILL RECEIVE ONIONS

Ontario, Dec. 21--Governors throughout the nation will each receive a sack of Malheur county onions as a result of an express shipment made last week by the J. R. Simplot Packing company of Ontario, for the Portland chamber of commerce.

Fifty pound bags of some of the

world's best onions, approximately 40 to the bag, left here by American Railway Express addressed to the first executive of each state as an example of Malheur county's super-quality products.

These globes of the Yellow Sweet Spanish variety, were produced on the farm of M. Furiyanna, 8 miles west of Ontario, in the center of the Vale-Owyhee irrigation project. Onions in the shipment measured up to 17 1/2 inches in circumference, with a diameter of 6 inches, and weighing up to 3 3/4 pounds.

The average for all onion land in the county was 600 sacks per acre, according to Weldon Wilcox, manager of the Simplot plant here, while one yield of 34,000 bags to a 32 acre field is on record for this season. The 1944 crop of approximately 4000 cars is the largest in its history.

L. H. Sill, local express agent, stated the total cost of transportation of the governors' gifts at \$140.52. The largest charge was on the Florida parcel of \$3.50, and the smallest on the Washington sack of 76 cents. Sill also stated this was the first shipment to so many states in one day in the history of the Ontario office of the American Express company.

### LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT

#### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE hereby is given to the creditors and all other persons interested in the estate of Edward P. Larsson, deceased: that the undersigned has been appointed Administratrix of the estate of Edward P. Larsson, deceased, and has qualified as such. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified and required to present same with the proper vouchers duly verified within six months of the date of the first publication of this notice, to the undersigned at the office of A. L. Fletcher in Nyssa, Oregon, which place is hereby designated as the place of business in all matters connected with said estate.

December 27, 1944  
Florence L. Larsson, Administratrix  
Estate of Edward P. Larsson, Deceased.

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J. C. Smith, Administrator  
Estate of Ollie B. Smith, Deceased.

## Butchering Postponed

We will not do any custom butchering December 29 and January 1, our regular butchering days.

We will start butchering January 4, 1945, again.

Thank You,  
Jacob Fischer

## 'EVER ANCIENT, EVER NEW'



It's an old, old custom, this ringing of bells and dancing out the Old Year, but the spirit that rides in at the stroke of 12 is as new as tomorrow.

With so many old friends and so many new friends, this New Year of 1945 means more to us than ever before... and we hope it means more to you.

**Nampa Creamery Co.**  
H. C. Dwight, Manager

### A Thought for New Year's

The year that is behind us is dead; we can do no more with it.

But the year ahead is a virgin page; we can inscribe it as we will.

So, all together now. Let's all do all we can to help make 1945 a much happier year for everybody.

## Atkeson Clothing Store

## Burner Oil Users... WAR ON WASTE!

Oil fights for freedom... every possible drop must be conserved for essential war use. Here's how you can do your part to save and serve.

### 7 Practical Ideas for "Waste Chasers"

1. Avoid overheating. 65° is recommended.
2. Weatherstrip doors and windows.
3. Close off unused rooms.
4. Make sure thermostat is accurate.
5. Close fireplace damper when not in use.
6. Lower heat at night or when away.
7. Keep humidifiers full.



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Rising above the din and clamor of the New Year's celebration is this triumphant fact:

IT'S THE TRADITIONAL AMERICAN WAY OF LIFE

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HAPPY NEW YEAR TO YOU, FELLOW AMERICANS!

GORDON'S DRIVE-IN  
Gordon F. Ray



Like Uncle Sam, I keep 'em running.  
F. "Lete" Sackett,  
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Since 1890



1945 is just around the corner. All hail to the New Year! This is the season for new resolutions.



We have served you well in the past. Our aim is to serve you still better in the future. To this end we pledge our full devotion.

We want you to be happy this New Year's... and during the weeks and months that follow.

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