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THE JONESES AND THE SMITHS—

Potential enemy nations, observing the usual American national life with its charges and counter charges, splits and filibusters, city machines and reform crusaders, draw the wrong conclusion when they assume that the United States is a hopelessly divided nation. These things are only human nature on a national scale.

An instance is the Jones family with four boys and two girls. The boys are in constant battle order. There is hardly a time when there isn't a state of hostilities between at least two of the boys. The boys make life miserable for the girls, the girls treat the boys as horrible creatures and the parents wear their voices thin trying to maintain semblance of family peace.

But let one of the Smith boys make a slurring remark about a Jones girl or a Smith boy make unwarranted attack on Jimmy Jones and the whole Jones family is in immediate concord and ready to present a united and organized front.

This nation of 150 million people in peacetime finds much steam is safely released in arguments over the beliefs and interests of the many social and economic and racial and territorial groups which often become highly antagonistic. We will do and say things about ourselves we won't let anyone else say or do to us. And when the outsider thinks that the state of national division is such that we can't or won't present defense to attack they soon find that our local differences are laid in mothballs for the duration, that suddenly out of the chaos of sparring interests comes solid unity. Sparring factions intuitively know all that the free Joneses cherish will be lost if the Smith's theories move in to dictate.

In the pure mechanics of administration of government any dictatorship can be much more efficient than a democracy. But in the enforcement of that efficiency something is done to men's minds and hearts that definitely is not in the plan for his fullest development. And in that fullest development of man's mind and heart must in the end lie the greatest good to the greatest number.—W.H.

EVERY HOME SHOULD HAVE ONE—

A friend once wrote to the department of public documents in Washington for a pamphlet, subject of which he now forgets. But since that time he has regularly received the semi-monthly prospectus of government pamphlets which can be secured at nominal cost from the list of "Selected United States Government Publications."

Some of them are of a highly technical nature and our friend, though an engineer, has difficulty, from reading the advance description, knowing what they are about. However, some are much simpler. We quote, verbatim, announcement of one:

"Aliphatic Nitrous and Nitric Acid Esters. Effects of these esters on the physiological functions with special reference to their chemical constitution. (Nothing is said about the four freedoms or the Bill of Rights.) Gives appraisal of the potential dangers of aliphatic nitrous and nitric acid esters and nitric acid esters of monovalent and polyvalent alcohols."

Even casual reading of the prospectus must convince one that no American home should be without this warning against monovalent not to mention polyvalent esters for if one gets its toe in the door it is difficult to keep it from coming in. And when we think that just fifteen cents is all it takes to bring this enjoyable and valuable piece of reading to the livingroom table we can't fail the public by not passing the information on.—W.H.

COUNTY FAIR PROSPECTS BRIGHT—

Prospects for a Multnomah County Fair in 1950 that will carry on the "bigger and better than ever" tradition, despite a late start in preparations for the event. The new county fair commission has swung in to fast action and already is close to catching up with the usual schedule of preparations. With the able assistance of Mrs. Ella Wilson, new fair manager, the members of the recently appointed Multnomah County Fair Commission have rapidly grasped the picture of what it takes to put on a real fair and they are shaping all policies to do just that.

Advance indications of a record-breaking number of exhibits have dictated improvements and changes in many of the facilities for exhibitors. The swine pavilion has been considerably improved already and the commission last week ordered a rearrangement of space in the cattle barns that will vastly improve that area, both for exhibitors and

spectators. The new layout will follow the standard pattern of all of the largest exhibitions in the country.

Other departments, too, will present a new appearance when the fair opens. New glass display cases are being installed in the arts building which will afford better display as well as better protection to the exhibits.

On the entertainment side, plans are developing rapidly to present the greatest afternoon show ever offered at the fair. Evening shows will, as in the past, feature pari-mutuel horse racing. Here again, a stepped up program is being developed to attract more and better horses and give race fans the best possible cards each night.

It's going to be well worth anyone's while to take in the 1950 Multnomah County Fair and it is right in order that residents of this area start making plans not only to attend the fair themselves, but to use it as a means of entertaining friends and guests from other areas.

A NEW CLEVELAND IS OPEN—

A wider, faster Cleveland avenue was opened to travel the past week. For a month that highway at the east edge of Gresham had been undergoing extensive improvements. With the fast development of the areas to the east, particularly the Mt. Hood recreational area, Cleveland has been carrying a constantly increasing load of through traffic of cars seeking the speediest route from Portland and the west to Mt. Hood.

Severe weather damage the past winter which left the half of Cleveland nearest Baseline almost impassable forced into construction the plans which had long been made. The avenue has been widened and the roadbed brought to grade for better drainage. Rows of trees planted by pioneers to shade and protect horse-drawn vehicles, stood in the way of modern demands for speed and had to come out, to make the route safer for cars to travel.

The deep fill of coarse to fine gravel topped with the four-inch surfacing of premix blacktop should provide adequate travel facilities for several years. Not only does the road afford faster travel eastward for skiers and other pleasure motorists but heavy trucking which had caused traffic hazards in downtown Gresham is being routed over this new and safer highway.

It is an improvement which has been much needed.—W.H.

Some of the "hams" on radio shows turn out to be real picnics.

Gov. Dewey of New York has announced he will not be a candidate for re-election. He also has declared that he isn't taking any part in the preliminary campaign to select a G.O.P. nominee for president in 1952. He also says he "may" not participate in future campaigns for the 1952 nomination. Anyone want to make a small wager on that last remark?

Oregon was all set to gain another representative in congress when the national reapportionment was made after completion of the 1950 census. Now it appears that it is highly questionable whether the Beaver state will get increased representation or not. The reason is that Oregon's population gain was less than original estimates while the increase of the entire nation's population was greater than was at first estimated.

The public is not being fooled by the "promising" of the democratic candidate for governor. People generally are wise to the old technique of promising each group several things that will please it and then forgetting all about those promises after election day. Each time Promiser Flegel makes a speech he chalks up more votes for Gov. Douglas McKay who has made a name for positive action in the interest of all the people of Oregon.

The Oregon State Grange voted at its recent state meeting to hold its 1951 convention in Multnomah county, outside the city of Portland if possible to find suitable accommodations. Parkrose already has extended a bid and the Gresham Chamber of Commerce this week started the ball rolling to make a bid for Gresham. It would be a tremendous thing for this area if so large a state convention — 1,700 estimated peak attendance — could be held here. It will take a heap of cooperation to land this meeting. Let's see that the chamber gets all the help it needs.

Since school is out, tourists are beginning to move. Remember that the tourist industry is the third ranking business in Oregon and that it grew to that size because Oregonians are good hosts to their outstate visitors. You can be a good host by practicing the common courtesies you would appreciate when traveling and by keeping yourself informed on where to go, what to see, what to do and how to get there in Oregon. Passing on that kind of information to visitors in Oregon often prolongs their stay in our state, which helps to boost the tourist business another notch. We all profit from the tourist trade. Let's all help it grow by always being good hosts.

Boy Has Second Hand Injury In One Year's Time

By Mrs. Tom Paul

Little Tommie Smith, three-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Smith, is suffering a serious laceration of a finger. Saturday morning, Tommie was picking up kindling wood as his father was splitting it. A local doctor is trying to save the finger.

Tommie had a similar experience last year when a playmate chopped his thumb off with an axe.

Mrs. Glenn Miller gave a birthday party for Jimmie Skeslein last Saturday. Several youngsters attended.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Skeslein, Sr., are away on vacation.

Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hornback were their cousins of Olympia, Washington, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Dehoun.

Mrs. Ernest Creekmur returned home last week after visiting for a month with her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Rise, of Bristow, Oklahoma. She made the trip by car with her brother and family, of Eugene.

Mrs. Glen Miller and Mrs. Alvin Skeslein, Jr., went to Seattle, Washington, Monday to take Mrs. Miller's nieces home.

Marauding Bruin Makes Off With Howe's Garbage

By Nell Howe

WELCHES — A bear, after wrecking the wood shed of the Howes, carried off their garbage can. Just how he managed to tote it over a good city block down a wooded trail before he emptied it is causing quite a bit of speculation.

A blidn bogey has been started by Gene Bowman of the Mt. Hood Golf club and is creating considerable interest.

Mrs. Jennie Welch spent the weekend at the home of the Harvey Bensons in Portland.

Mrs. Elizabeth White has been ill but is now showing signs of improvement.

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Report of Condition CLACKAMAS COUNTY BANK

Resources	June 30, 1950	June 29, 1940
Cash on hand and in Bank	\$ 830,214.70	\$188,130.98
U. S. Bonds	666,390.00	72,931.16
State, county and municipal bonds and warrants	130,697.92	52,221.88
Other bonds		890.50
Loans and discounts	914,258.15	195,026.57
Banking house and fixtures	45,500.00	3,050.00
Other real estate		2,525.84
	\$2,587,060.77	\$514,776.93
Liabilities		
Capital	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
Surplus	45,000.00	9,000.00
Undivided profits	2,681.98	1,523.14
Reserves	17,200.00	5,750.00
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Barker's Bugle

Some one was wondering if there was any way to tell the sex of a sardine.

About the only thing we could suggest is that you watch and see which can they come out of.

We don't know much about fish, but we know that there are two kinds of fishermen. Those who fish for sport and those who catch something.

And as the schoolboy said, a fish net is a lot of little holes tied together with string.

A party looked over our shoulder and added a corny crack. He said that a man can sometimes get a pearl out of an oyster, but it takes a smart girl to get a diamond out of an old crab.

And after listening to that we are sure that a shell fish isn't the only one who has a crab for a mate.

Before we crab the act, perhaps we should suggest that now is a good time for you to let us outfit you for your vacation. A well planned supply of those little things that help make any trip more enjoyable are now on display.

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