More for Your Money

Toy Musical Instruments Designed For All, Played by Adults, Children

By Sue Gardner

Finn H. Magnus is one American designer who can boast of bringing the means of home recreation to mil-

lions of families in this country. From his workshop has come designs for many inexpensive toy musical instruments from harmonicas to bagpipes, that are played by almost as many adults as

children. He has not only designed these instruments, but he has also worked out a number system for playing them without the need of • reading notes. Using his system anyone can play a simple tune with no more than five minutes practice. Fond parents start out to stock a supply of the instru-ments for their children and usually wind up playing them, themselves. An orchestra leader uses Magnus' electric organ in some numbers because it is so easily transported, and his more elaborate harmonicas have been used for both classical and intricate jazz renditions.

The designer's phenomenal career started just five years ago in a small basement workshop in his home. He had decided to try his hand at fashioning a plastic harmonica to compete favorably with foreign imports. The idea came to him during World War II when he shopped for a harmonica to give to a child. None were available, but one store keeper took the time to explain that most such toys were imported and that the war had made them pretty scarce.

Magnus wrote to the U.S. Chamber of Commerce and found that in 1939 we had imported 19,-000.000 harmonicas. Ten years later, even after foreign models were available, only 1,000,000 were being brought from other countries.

"The trick was to find a plastic with a good tone, so that I could make a model that would play a recognizable

Church Groups Slate Meetings

Iolalla. Born at Silverton hospital, watch your total indebtedness, and Molalla. SILVERTON - The Immanuel with Mrs. Conrad Dahl as co-San Francisco 19, Calif. Women's Missionary Federation hostess. March 6, a son, to Mr. and Mrs. Francis R. Moon (Jean Oveross) membership will meet in the Fire-Jefferson - Members of the SANTIAM CLUB PLANNED Mrs. David B. Reavis and Mrs. side room Thursday afternoon, Ross C .Miles will entertain mem-Sidney-Talbot Extension unit DETROIT-Plans for formation of Silverton. March 15, with Miss Hilda Olsen bers of chapter AB, PEO Monday further, you have already gone into debt too far. heard a talk and demonstration on of a North Santiam Commercial Born at Silverton hospital, "Accessories for the Home," given Friday night in Mill City, at which to present the topic, "Better Lead-March 5, a daughter," to Mr. and night at the former's home, 306 Mrs. John Lahners will dis-North 20th street, at 7:45 p.m. Mrs. Douglas Bigson of Molalla. euss "Home Missions." Mrs. Har- Election of officers will be held by Mrs. Albert Nusom and Mrs. Detroit was represented by John Born at Silverton hospital eld Satern is president of the during the business session. March 4, a daughter, to Mr. and Hattie McCarty at the home of Cannon, Nolan Rasnick and Ray group and hostesses will be Mrs. Elser Aarhus, Mrs. E. V. Swayze, Mrs. Gilbert Belknap Tuesday af- Johnson. Other towns included Mrs. Clifford Hicks of Lyons. Born at Silverton hospital, The meeting of Salem Rotana ternoon. Mrs. William Wieder- are Stayton, Lyons, Mehama, Gatlub, which was to have been es and Idanha. March 4. a daughter. Mr. and kehr was co-hostess. Mrs. George Mrs. George Cawicki of Mulino. Monday night at the home of Mrs. L. H. Mittendorf has been post- Potts, jr., of Jordan Valley was a BROWNIES ELECT OFFICERS poned until Monday night, March guest. LIBERTY-Mrs. Walter Schendel was hostess to Brownie troop Pringle — Pringle Woman's club 112 Thursday when members met for a luncheon at worked on international scrap Central Howell-An exhibit of gift wrapping was presented by books and elected new officers: the home of Mrs. Del Brinkley on Mrs. Earl Schar at the Central Wednesday with Mrs. Leonard President, Deanna Schendel; vice-Krygier and Mrs. F. A. Goodwin president, Cheryl Faye Fries, and Howell Extension unit meeting at the home of Mrs. Martin Rehm. as guests. A special meeting will secretary, Joanne DeZort. Mrs. Clarence Simmons, jr. and be held March 14 at the clubhouse Mrs. Maurice Hynes are in charge for the purpose of theing a Red of the hall decorations for the an-PIE SOCIAL NETS \$20 you can't beat Cross quilt. nual spring festival. A luncheon was served with Mrs. Dan Steffen STAYTON - Santiam Encampment of Odd Fellows held a pie and Mrs. Frank Way assisting the CARNIVAL SCHEDULED social at the IOOF hall Thursday Oil Heat hostess. Guests were Mrs. Marnight which netted about \$20 to-SILVERTON - Silverton school jorie White, Marion county home ward the paint fund of the Odd Band Parents association is plan-ROEBUCK AND CO extension agent, Mrs. Anna Wulf-Fellows home in Portland. meyer and Mrs. Harold Nation, ning an inside carnival May 4 and 5, proceeds to go toward deboth of Hayesville. fraying expenses of band mem-Hubbard - The Annual Mother-Four Corners-On Tuesday Mrs. bers to various events this spring. Daughter banquet will be held Friday, March 16, at 7 p.m. in the Hubbard school gym. The dinner Master George Wiegert, Mrs. Vernon For-Recent events sponsored by est and Mrs. S. H. Cable combined band parents made it possible for their classes of the Four Corners purchase of 10 new suits needed is no-host meal. For information Heating Baptist Sunday school for an aft- to uniform the band. Each suit contact Mrs. Albert Barendse, presernoon party in the church annex. | costs over \$50. ident, or Robin Berkey, secretary. Oils

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tune," he explained. "I found that the bakelite styrene was the best and set to work to de-vise a harmonica that could be made here. The foreign models had 80 parts and took 150 op-erations — ours is now made in five parts with only seven operations." operations." He feels his musical instru-

ments offer an inexpensive way of finding out whether a child has musical talent worth developing. For a nominal fee, a par-ent can start a six or seven year old child on a harmonica of simple construction. There are eleven different models of plastic harmonicas, ranging from eight to 40 reeds, the last one having sharps and flats on a chromatic

scale. After the harmonica, the child can tackle a keymonica, which is a combination har-monica, clarinet, and button accordian, enabling him to try fingering technique. The de-signer's own son, who is eight, is already at this stage. There are four types of inexpensive accordians for the very young to elementary school children, and many high school students also play these instruments. Among his more elaborate productions is an all-plastic electric organ, which has two octaves. He is working on plans for a larger electric organ. This can be play-ed by one child to accompany another on such an instrument as the junior horn harmonica, which has a molded-on amplifying horn. Hand movements over the bell of the horn produce the violin sound and tremolos that come with much practice on a regular harmonica. A child can also produce special effects such as a train sound on this instru-

The latest model from the Magnus workbench is an all plastic bagpipe, made in such attractive authentic Scottish plaids that it can be used as a wall decoration in a playroom or children's room when not in use. Incidently, the plastic in-struments can all be displayed because this does not harm their mechanisms. (Copyright 1951, General Features Corp.)

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Mrs. Ed Zitzewitz and Mrs. C. E. Jorgenson. Immanuel Bethany circle will meet Wednesday at 2 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Harold Satern

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Methodist Church In Sheridan Plans **Birthday Dinners**

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SHERIDAN - The Wesleyans of the Methodist church will have birthday dinners each month, the proceeds to go into a fund for redecoration of the church sanctuary. Hostesses and program chairmen will be:

M. Russell and Amos Henton; March, Mrs. Phillip Scott and Mrs. A. Pelzer; April, Mrs. Isa-bella Armitage and Mrs. Stacy Kilmer; May, Mary Lou Henton and Robert Brown; June, Mrs. Fern Eberhart and Mrs. George Crisp; July, Mrs. Amos Henton and Mrs. Wesley Topp; August, Mrs. C. E. Coon and John Fan-cher; September, Mrs. C. W. Wright and Lawrence Ellis; Octo-ber, Mrs. O. R. Dale and Mrs. Leland Sackett; November, Inez Rowell and -Mrs. Lyle Bryant; December, Mrs. Lyle Jones and Leland Sackett.

Leland Sackett.

Glen V. Sorensen To Head Chamber

Statesman News Service will convince the credit peop MILL CITY-Glen V. Sorense that you aren't a deadbeat. . You has been elected president of the Mill City Chamber of Commerce **Installment** Practice to succeed Robert Venness. Russell Kelly was named vice prési-

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Thompson. Mill City resident for the past year, returned last week to Portland. Mrs. John Freely, former Mill make certain payments over a spe-City school teacher, is spending the winter in San Antonio, Tex., friends learned recently.

Gerald Lee Swan, son of Mr. costs such as insurance. and Mrs. John Swan, is undergoing recruit training at the San the installment contract is either Diego naval training center.

VISITORS AT AUBURN

VISITORS AT AUBURN AUBURN — Guests recently at the Arlo McLain home were Mr. It the seller if you don't pay as prom-ised. If the conditional bill of sale and Mrs. Ed Hinkle of San Fran-is used, title stays with the seller cisco and Mr. and Mrs. Dick until the final payment is made. Sprague of Corvallis.

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regular classroom teacher, meet-ing real difficulties and every-day problems, and finding their own solutions.

Sewing Project

Statesman News Service will begin to suspect it yourself. **ROBERTS** - Red Cross sewing project will be undertaken by the In contrast to the charge ac-G. T. club when they meet for the count as a form of credit, the in-

April meeting at the home of Mrs. Jess Forstor. Members are asked stallment type of credit is the one where you take the merchandise, to bring sewing machines, if posand sign a contract promising to sible, and a sack lunch. Mrs. Lee Eyerly, Mrs. Austin Cator and Mrs. George Stevens are in charge cified period of time. These pay-ments cover the total purchase of arrangements. price, and also usually include in-Sixteen members attended the terest, carrying charges, or other

March meeting at the home of Mrs. Frank-Sollenberger. The legal document going with

a chattel mortgage or a conditional bill of sale. If the mortgage is used, PAINTINGS TO ENGLAND

MONMOUTH -- More than 100 paintings and drawings by children in the campus elementary schools of OCE will be exhibited at the Manchester school of art in In either case, if you don't pay, Manchester, England. The Man-chester school is interested in work the merchant can repossess the being done at OCE which allows the child completely free expres-

In any case, whether you buy sion in arts mediums.

on installment or simply charge, it is wise to pay one's bills. Hon-esty still is the best policy, and ton hospital, March 8, a daughter, prudent management is its own

Pay Bills on Time To keep anyone's credit depart-

don't go too much in the red. When a credit manager tells you that you shouldn't go into debt any

goods.

But just how far is too far? I wish I could say that you can safely go into debt up to an amount not greater than "X" per how far you can safely go in in-curring debt, that rule is this:

cent of your income, but I can't. AURORA-The Rev. and Mrs. Don't incur another dollar's worth Robert Hampal of Aurora are par- of debt, unless you can see your ents of a daughter, born March 8, way clear to pay it off. Fit the at Hutchinson hospital in Oregon City. If it won't fit, don't buy. est for the EASTER PARADE

Initiates 12 Girls CREDIT BLAU an News Service AUMSVILLE-Twelve girls re-cently were initiated into the Girls Athletic association of Cascede that you have "protested" the un-paid bill. This will take away some of the "black" from the mark bside your name. Of course, if you "protest" many of your unpaid bills, no amount of further talking Sewing Project

The Statesman, Salem, Oregan, Sunday, March 11, 1951-11

Student Teacher

Completion at OCE

OREGON COLLEGE OF EDU-CATION, Monmouth - More than 100 student teachers are nearing

ompletion of 12 weeks of actu

Assignments ranged from kid-dergarten and special education training through every grade level and several major special teaching areas.

Cascade High Club

Training Nears

union high school. They were Janice Riches, Mari-lyn Pease, Jane Veersteg, Marilyn Pearson, Winifred Stater, Carol Newkirk, Irene Thomas, Bonnie Nicholson, Pat Hennies, Astrid Severin, Phyllis Music and Lenore Keudell.

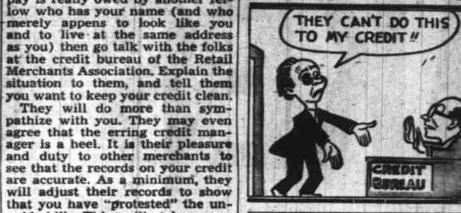
Albert Pedersons Hosts to Reunion

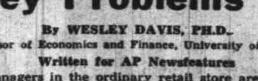
> MARQUAM-A family reunion Was held recently at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Pederson, honoring Chris Beck, Anchorage, Alaska. Attending were Mrs. Lou-isa Beck, Edwin Beck, Mr. and Mrs. John Beck, Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Hogen, Mr. and Mrs. Ken-neth Carison and children of Osneth Carison and children of Os-wego, John Beck and Christing

Pederson. Mrs. Francis Robertson is help-

ing at the telephone office. The meeting of the Scotts Mills Utility and Beauty Garden club with Mrs. Mary Nicholson was postponed because of a storm.







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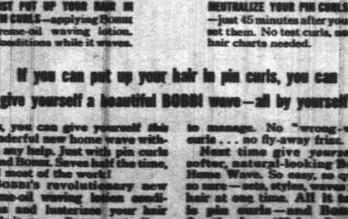
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