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*"Without or with offense to friends or foes
I sketch your world exactly as it goes."*—BYRON.

Greater Than Napoleon
It has been customary to rank as the greatest captain-conquerors of history, Alexander, Hannibal, Caesar and Napoleon, to confuse magnitude of accomplishments with reputation and overlook greater military skill of captains like Marlborough, Turenne and Wellington. Napoleon has topped the list because of brilliant methods and great achievements, but according to the military editor of the Encyclopedia Britannica, Captain B. H. Liddell Hart, a well known authority on military affairs, Scipio Africanus was greater than them all.

In a book just published by Captain Hart entitled, "A Greater Than Napoleon," the achievements of the conquerors are contrasted in Scipio's favor. "While Alexander had the military foundations laid by Philip to build on, while Hannibal built on Hamilcar, Caesar on Marius, Napoleon on Carnot—Scipio had to rebuild on disaster."
The youthful Scipio made his appearance when Hannibal was at the gates of Rome, the armies in Spain divided and their leaders killed. By strategy and diplomacy, by consummate tactical skill, he fought his way until his smaller army had cleared the Iberian peninsula and driven out the Carthaginians. By his mastery of his troops, by his unexpected maneuvers on the field of battle, by his ability to outwit his enemy and change the plan of battle during the conflict, by his keen understanding of the mental processes of the enemy, Scipio is declared to stand out as one of the greatest soldier strategists and military statesmen of history. Without the advantages of a despot or dictator, "he moulded the forces of the fickle republic, and always for advantage and betterment of Rome."
All of Scipio's battles were waged differently, yet each displayed superb military skill. He struck suddenly and swiftly, divided his enemy, deceived them, concentrated his forces and outmaneuvered both Hasdrubal and Hannibal. When he began his career, Rome was confined to Corsica, Sardinia, Sicily, a small area above Tarragona and central Italy, with Hannibal before Rome itself. When he had finished his conquests, Rome's dominions surrounded the Mediterranean excepting the Egyptian and Syrian coasts, included all of Spain and most of Asia Minor. With it all he was statesman and diplomat, and it was all done for the republic and not for himself. As the author says:

"To ignore the influence of war as a world force is to divorce history from science and to turn it into a fairy tale. The grand strategy of Scipio is a signpost pointing the true path of historical study. Scipio could administer military beatings at least as effectively and brilliantly as any other of the greater captains, but he saw beyond the beating to its object, a prosperous and secure peace."

An Interesting Exhibit
An interesting exhibit of the celebrated Oregon system is being staged in the third congressional district for a successor to the late congressman M. E. Crumpacker, where a free-for-all contest is in progress for the office.
The attorney general has ruled that the governor cannot call a primary election for the selection of a party standard bearer and that candidates may be named by petition or by an assembly of voters. So the field is open to all aspirants, with probably a dozen or so republicans and several democrats as entries.
The self-starter that yelps the loudest, promises the most impossible program, advertises himself most and spills the most bunk is quite certain to be elected regardless of party affiliations. The occasion will probably spell the triumph of demagoguery.
The rank and file of the voters do not know anything about a candidate except his noise, and the wind-jammer who keeps his name most before the public will carry off the bacon. Even if there was such a thing as party organization and solidarity in Oregon, it cannot be utilized in this contest and a small minority will pick the winner.
Chances favor a democrat because there are fewer of them and in an ordinary election they do not count. For this reason the number of democratic candidates will be limited while the number of republican candidates probably unlimited. Thus the Oregon system, which was supposed to insure majority rule really insures minority control.

The Planter of the Tree
By RUBY M. AYRES
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RIVALS TOGETHER
Both men felt strained and unnatural, and both were trying their hardest to conquer the feeling that they were jealous rivals, and yet they had a great respect and a most unwilling regard for each other.
Garry got into his coat.
"Shall we go?" he asked.
"Yes."
They went down to the dining-room and had strong coffee, and by ten o'clock were at the nursing home. They were shown into a room with green blinds drawn against the bright sunshine, and Philip walked over to the window and nervously pulled one up by its cord.
"Like a damned funeral," he growled.
Garry said nothing. His face was very pale and his eyes were tragic, as if he were exercising great self-control. He felt like a man in a dream, and his heart seemed to be throbbing up in his throat, choking him. He was torn between his love for Sally and his jealous doubts, which had grown a thousandfold during the long, wakeful hours of the night.
"Never smoke without fire." The axiom haunted him. He had deliberately tortured himself by remembering over-trivial things Sally had told him of her past. The men who had loved her—the one man

mantelpiece in the darkened waiting-room. In a moment that door would open and someone would come in to tell them what? Garry dared not speculate. He looked at Philip Sanderson, pacing up and down the room like a restless giraffe in a cage, and suddenly he smiled, struck by the incongruity of the situation. Two men who both loved Sally, outwardly friends, but inwardly God alone knew what deadly enemies, awaiting the verdict on her life.
"They seem to enjoy keeping people on the rack," Philip said grimly, as if he could read his companion's thoughts.
"Yes."
The silence fell again, to be broken presently by a woman's step in the hall outside and by the opening of the door. Sally's little nurse stood there. She was smiling happily as she looked from one man to the other, but her eyes were kindest as they rested on Philip Sanderson.
"Miss Lindfield is even better than we had hoped," she said cheerily. "And one of you may come up for a few moments to see her."
She paused, her eyes still on Philip.
"I am sorry, but it must be only one of you," she said again.
The two men exchanged glances; then Garry Nairn spoke hurriedly—almost pleadingly, it seemed.
"You go, Sanderson. Of course you must go."
"Nonsense! I—"
"You go," Garry said again. "Perhaps later in the day I—"
The nurse shook her head.
"I am sorry, but the doctor will only allow one visitor today. Tomorrow, perhaps."
"I can wait till tomorrow," Garry said hurriedly. He felt as if he had been given an unexpected respite in which to clear the chaos in his brain and sift his emotions to a

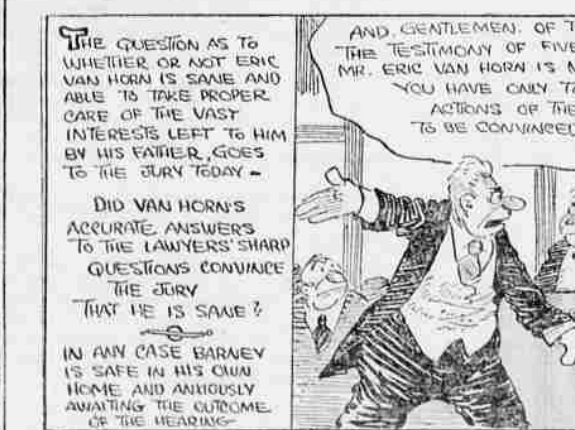
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BRINGING UP FATHER



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MUTT AND JEFF



Before he was actually conscious of it, Nairn had passed him and was walking rapidly away down the road, carrying his hat in his hand. He felt like a man escaping from a great danger—a man to whom a respite had been brought at the eleventh hour.
And upstairs in Dr. Brodman's Nursing Home Philip Sanderson stood in a cool, darkened room beside Sally's bed and looked down at her.
There was the faint, haunting odor of chloroform still in the air, mingling with the scent of the flowers which he and Garry had brought in last night. Only last night? It seemed a lifetime ago.
Sally was lying very still in a curiously contracted position, as if a giant hand had pulled and racked her slender body into some strange grotesque shape, but she opened her eyes when the nurse spoke to her, and smiled faintly when she saw Philip, although he was quick to notice how her gaze instantly traveled past him, as if she had expected to see someone else.
The little nurse saw it, too, and said gently:
"Only one visitor today, dear, so of course Mr. Sanderson came."
She moved her head a little towards him, and the nurse turned to the door, whispering to Sanderson as she went:
"Only five minutes."
He stood stiffly erect until she had gone, like a giant in a fairy-story guarding a captive princess; then he bent and took Sally's hand in his thin fingers.
"How do you feel Sally?"
Tears quivered up into her blue eyes.
"It hurts," she whispered.
Sanderson went down clumsily on his knees beside her.
"I wish I could bear it for you, Sally." He felt the slight pressure

BARHAM'S ARM WEAKENED FOR SUNDAY GAME

Salem's chances for a victory over the hard slugging Montaville nine appear slim today with Wayne Barham's right arm tied in kinks, a result of over exertion following his fine exhibition last week.

Unless a miracle occurs Barham will be unable to enter the box at any time during the game Sunday and the burden will fall on Johnny Beck on whom everything is staked.

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hitting slump and is in right field for the Villains. Beams in center field and Freddy Harkins in left complete the outfield. Muner, first base; Rockaway, second base; Engle, shortstop; and Zimmerman, third base, are scheduled for the infield. Muner, red the league in hitting several weeks being in third place now below Steers and Goleman who are slugging at .305 and .393 paces respectively. Stewart will receive for Levoff or Johnny Harkins.
The Villains will bring with them the \$300 Oregon Journal trophy awarded each year to the winner in the Portland City League. It will be exhibited to Salem fans showing what Montavilla is fighting to hold. Any team that wins the cup three years in succession gains permanent possession.
The game tomorrow is the crucial one of the season. If won Salem has the best chance of winning the second half as well as the first but if lost it will place the local club in a tight hole for honors.

COME FROM VIRGINIA

Monmouth, Ore., Aug. 13.—Mr. and Mrs. L. Robinson and daughter, Miss Hazel arrived here this week. They drove from White Post, Virginia in nineteen days.

West Coast Greater Movie Season FIRST OF THE BIG 4

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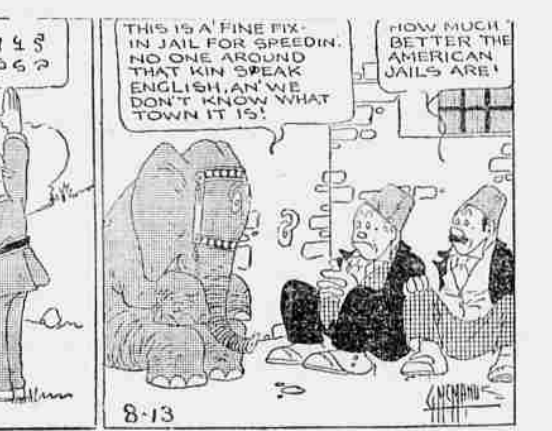
One Week Starting Friday, August 19

Oregon Theatre

By Chick Young



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