

Sport Gags

By K. D. P.

Well, all of you fishermen ought to have a sigh of relief when I announced that The American has decided to put on the second prize at the annual steelhead contest therefore disqualifying me from the contest. I don't mind because I am getting tired of seeing your gloomy faces whenever I crow over my luck. You never saw me look gloomy when Vintie Beall nosed me out last summer and I had to be contented with the second prize. But say, I just think of something—you will have one man to beat again this summer and that is Vintie Beall who has caused me plenty grief in most of the contests. He and I had always show our backs to all of you in the contest and now you have only one back to face and someone will be lucky to get the second prize.

I think the Sportsmen's Club better forget all about the shooting ground for their club. The prices of ammunition are bound to rise in the near future and soon the price will be so exorbitant that trap shooting games will be only for the rich people.

Right now we have a much and bigger task to face and that is the coming of the army cantonment and what that means to the valley. When the camp is established, there may be 40,000 soldiers there and out of them there will probably be around 5000 who may know all the arts of fishing and will practically clean out all the fish in the river and also creeks. There may be some who would like to join the club and aid in the protection of fish life. The club should study about what to do, when the time comes.

The biggest question is—do all soldiers have licenses to fish in Oregon? It is my belief that the clubs will have to do something about seeing if every one of those soldier fishermen have licenses because the state game commission depends upon the revenue from the licenses. It is going to cost like the devil in the long run to keep restocking the river all the time. And that is why I prefer that the C. P. Sportsmen's club should go easy on any project and study more about what to do when the camp is running.

And to me the most important of all things connected with the club, is that the club should go easy on their funds, instead of buying buttons or ground to waste their money upon with trapshooting. One fellow told me that it is mighty good publicity for the club when carrying around the buttons. It may be all right. But what good will that buttons be to all

of us when the year 1942 rolls around. No Good!!! Because stamped on the button with good printing ink is the year 1941. And half year has gone and in six months we will have to throw away that button. And that is really a crime to waste that money.

Boys' & Girls' Aid Society Is Worthy Of Continued Help

He was found two years ago in a dark, dingy attic room tied to a bed post—pathetically small, pathetically neglected. His tiny body was covered with ugly bruises and sores. He was abandoned, a one-year-old, by both parents—abandoned, abused and alone.

But today Tommy is a healthy, wholesome child whose eyes light at the sight of a new kiddy-car, whose sturdy legs carry him happily about his play. He has new parents, a new home, love and affection which he had never known before. He has a chance now—a chance to live and grow up like any other little boy.

There are hundreds of tales like that of little Tommy's to be told by the staff members of the Boys' and Girls' Aid Society of Oregon. They are true stories, stories of unhappiness and insecurity and sorrow, stories of tiny tots who've been left with no one in the world who cares for them... of brave boys and girls who've had to go on alone. They are vital, human stories, but they read like fiction—because like the tale of little Tommy, they have happy endings.

The 55-year history of the Boys' and Girls' Aid Society has written happy endings to more than 7,300 of these stories. These thousands of children have been brought to the doors of the society from Oregon's cities, towns, and country. Some of them are abandoned, some of them have lost their parents; still others are relinquished temporarily by parents or relatives until a home can be re-established. They all need food, clothing, and a home.

The Boys' and Girls' Aid originally was established to care for stowaways on sailing vessels and homeless, parentless waifs who haunted the streets

for a better place of abode. As years passed and the number of children needing care increased, a superintendent was employed and an institution set up which provided food, shelter and clothing. A new system of child care was inaugurated in 1939, conforming with modern and proven social welfare practice. The foster home plan, on which the organization now operates, places all the children under supervision in homes with private families. The society finds the homes, places the children, provides funds for board, supplies clothing and medical and dental care. The Boys' and Girls' Aid Society today is an up-to-date, efficient child welfare agency, staffed with skilled, experienced workers, an organization geared to meet the physical and emotional needs of the dependent child. Its primary rule is to keep the child happy and healthy.

Ages of the children cared for by the organization range from infancy to 18 years. At the present time the agency has 355 children under its supervision.

Funds are provided through state and county aid, through a yearly allotment by the Portland Community Chest, through endowments, contributions and memberships. At present, a fund-raising campaign is being conducted on a state-wide basis to raise money needed to meet the rising cost of living—to buy shirts and shoes and overalls for the boys, and dresses and coats for the girls who comprise the society's family... to buy glasses for children with defective eyesight and to pay the doctor for setting broken arms and treating cases of measles.

C. C. Chapman is president of the

society and Mrs. Myrtle C. Dalziel is state director. Administrative offices are located at 1504 S.W. 11th street, Portland.

Drivers Must Get Licenses by July 1

State driver's license examiners expect to be busy during the license renewal season, but one examiner found considerably more than he bargained for recently.

A construction camp in Umatilla county requested Secretary of State Earl Snell to send an examiner to their camp, explaining there were 15 or 20 persons who wished to obtain driver's licenses. Expecting to handle approximately 20 cases, the examiner went to the camp—and before the day was over he had issued licenses to more than 30 applicants.

With new licenses due before July 1st, approximately 45,000 persons already have applied for their permits. Persons 70 years of age or older and those who are not currently licensed to drive in Oregon are required to

take the driver's license examination, but persons holding current licenses and who have suffered no physical or mental disability during the past two years are not required to take any examination.

The license fee this year is \$1.50, the extra 50 cents going into the newly created motor vehicle accident fund.

PISTON WEAR

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