

State Fair to Be Best Ever

"Something to see, something to do for each member of the family" is a longtime boast of Oregon's Great State Fair in Salem. The 1948 exposition to be staged in Salem, September 6 to 12, backs this claim more than ever.

The 167 acres of fairgrounds, one of the finest physical fair plants in the nation, has been geared in every way to accommodate with week long throngs.

Lone Oak track will take over the spotlight each afternoon with the running of the yearly State Fair racing meet. The local half mile track is generally considered the finest fair racing site in the entire West.

There will be thrills plus each and every night of the fair in the horse show pavilion with the presentation of the championship rodeo-horse show. The combination production will feature the finest show horses of the Pacific Northwest plus outstanding rodeo riders from the major circuits.

Helene Hughes of San Francisco will again present the State Fair musical night show in front of the racing grandstand. This fast moving vaudeville revue will feature top stage attractions from Hollywood, Las Vegas, and New York and will be produced as the State Fair Showboat.

George Burns of Portland with his orchestra will support the Showboat and will also play at the always

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popular evening dances. Free acts, including the inevitable trained seal, will be presented three times daily along the midway.

Something more intangible is the state fair feeling itself. The midway, the crowds, the smell of cooking food, and the overall excitement along the eight block midway, combine to create a feeling difficult to pin down. But it's always there on the fairgrounds and once you visit Oregon's Great State Fair—you'll never miss another one, knowing it's Oregon's biggest and best outdoor show.



By Frank M. Leonard

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Over three and a half years ago a little man of modest mien stood before Congress and humbly asked its help "in completing one of the gravest tasks ever assigned to a public servant." Turning to the people, he wistfully asked them to pray for him.

After 12½ years of suave assurances that the situation was well in hand—here was a new approach! The Republican Congress fell for it like a ton of bricks and set to with gusto to give this little guy every

boost in the book. John Q. rubbed his eyes in amazement and squinted down Washington way.

It was entirely beautiful—brotherhood blossomed like roses in June. America sat contentedly back.

But before John Q. could get his stocking feet up on the ottoman that little fellow had run the country through a gauntlet of trumped-up crises and dragged it to the very brink of war.

Palestine, China, Syria, Russia—the secrets of Potsdam, Cairo, Teheran, Yalta. And to top the list—Communists in the government.

Suddenly the little man who was more to be pitied than censured—whose inconsistencies on the domestic issues of tax-reduction, OPA, housing, inflation, civil rights, et al., were already chopping away the props of his political air castles—had messed up the international situation to such a degree that it now threatened to turn with the force of a Wallace boomerang and destroy the very props of American existence.

Now—squinting Washington way. John Q. finds—again to his amazement—that the little man is no

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longer humble, no longer worried, no longer wistful. In fact, he seems to be enjoying himself immensely—and what's more, he's making statements. Listen:

"I got very well acquainted with Joe Stalin, and I like old Joe—he is a decent fellow. . . ."

He's writing naive letters:

"People are very much wrought up about the Communist 'bugaboo', but I am of the opinion that the country is perfectly safe so far as Communism is concerned. . . ."

And finally—to the tune of charges and counter-charges of espionage in the administration; disclosures of Communists in positions of trust; a 'Progressive' party run by erstwhile New Deal Communists; and the desperate plunge of a 'White' Russian school teacher from a third story Soviet 'prison' to escape Russian reprisals—the once humble, worried, wistful little man sings:

"They (the 80th Congress) are using this (the spy ring hearings) as a red herring to keep from doing what they ought to do."

Napoleon was a little guy, too.

BIRTHDAY PARTY ENJOYED—

Last Thursday evening Lois Camp entertained some friends at a birthday party at her home at 530 Oak street. The girls enjoyed a treasure hunt during the evening. They also enjoyed playing croquet on the back lawn. Lois received lovely gifts from her friends after which Bavarian Cream and an angel food cake were served the guests. The decorated cake was a gift from Mrs. Lettie Gregory. Those attending were Carolyn Hover, Susie Culbertson, Delores Bohnert, Loretta Anderson, Sally Higinbotham, Marcella Taylor, Doreen Jones, and Donna Lavin.

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Gibbon Acres News

New arrival Aug. 23 in Gibbon Acres, Robert William Brophy, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Brophy, who reside on Orr Drive. Mrs. Brophy and Robert Jr. came home Aug. 23 from Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Horton, Central Point, where they have been staying since leaving the hospital. Mrs. Clinton Horton is Mrs. Brophy's sister. Little Jr., was born Aug. 11 at Sacred Heart hospital, weighed 7 lbs. 8 oz. Father is doing fine with the exception of keeping the buttons on his shirt.

Tunnell and family, of Cutter, Cal., mother and brother of Susie May Roberson visited for several days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Roberson. Mrs. Roberson says she is looking forward to her mother's returning in the near future.

Roy H. Roberson, of Rederson Motors, Dallas, Texas, were visitors in Gibbon Acres at the home of his brother, Ralph Roberson. The brothers had not seen each other

for many years. The visit was also with Mr. and Mrs. Elijah F. Roberson, an uncle, both of whom reside in Gibbon Acres.

Lee W. Harrison, who has been ill for several days, is fast recovering.

The new draft bill calls for one doctor for every 200 soldiers. The average number of people in our district for each doctor is at least 2,000 to one. The men in the army are all healthy, young fellows. A good portion of our civilian population is made up in part of old people, expectant mothers, and children.—H. Carl Anderson, M.C., Minnesota.

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