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## GOVERNOR SPRAGUE'S DEFENSE OF CENSUS QUESTIONING IS BECOMING!

The Miner-coined moniker of "True Blue Charles" for Governor Sprague may have been more truth than sarcasm, if True Blue comes up with many more public utterances like his of this week, when he admonished the people of Oregon to "give full and accurate responses to all (census) inquiries, secure in the knowledge that there will be no breach of confidence by any of the federal employees."

Defending the 1940 census in the face of much partisan objection on the part of his political bedfellows, the governor gives evidence of statesmanship not always suspected by this democratic fount of interpretation. We almost apologize.

Continued Sprague, anent the coming census, "The project is too important to be crippled by bow-and-arrow politics. There ought to be cordial cooperation on the part of all the people in the assembly of this information."

"Additional information is sought for statistical purposes, and the compiled data will be of value to lawmakers, to students of society and to commercial enterprises."

Blamed if we don't suspect Oregon's governor of being capable of nonpartisan largess every now and then.

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## WHY TAKE PRANKSTERS' HIDES OFF OVER A COUPLE OF OLD SKINS?

The furore over the human skins sent out to be tanned for a pair of gloves still rages in Oregon newspapers and The Miner is tempted to add its bit of sage reflection to the tome.

Suppose prankster dental college students did swipe a couple of hides from the college's garbage can . . . is it any worse indignity for the deceased wearer of same to suffer his skin to be tanned and made up into useful articles than to have his epidermis tossed to the hogs?

And after all, who knows but that the original owners of the pelts might have done worse in their day than have a skinful of fingers.

## BELLVIEW NEWS

- Mrs. Mabel Poleet and Clifford Hazelwood were united in marriage in Reno, Nev., recently, at the Methodist church there, with the Rev. F. G. Smith reading the ceremony. They were attended by Mr. Hazelwood's daughter Nina. Following the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Hazelwood and Nina enjoyed a lovely wedding dinner. They will be at home to their friends in their recently purchased residence on the Klamath Falls highway south of Ashland at the former location of the White Cabin auto court.
- Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Farmer and Dolores visited with Mr. and Mrs. Willis Byrd and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Byrd last week.
- Miss Marilyn Christlieb arrived Friday from U of O to spend Easter vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Christlieb.
- Mr. and Mrs. Mark True are remodeling and redecorating their home and plan to complete the work soon before moving in. The home is located on the ranch where Mr. and Mrs. True lived before they moved into Ashland some time ago.
- Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stenrud spent Saturday at the Archie Kincaid home.
- Mrs. Ed Gowland last week returned from Corvallis, where she attended the Grange lecturers school as representative of the Bellview Grange.
- Mr. and Mrs. Ora Meyers of Medford Sunday were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Bell and family.
- Miss Jeanette Talent is confined to her home with flu.
- Mrs. John Heim Meyer, who recently suffered a leg injury, now is able to be up.
- Mrs. Charles Weaver was a caller at the Archie Kincaid home Sunday afternoon.
- Mrs. Malinda King of Ashland and Mrs. James Williams were dinner guests Sunday at the W. O. Martin home. The occasion was in honor of the 75th birthday anniversary of Mr. Williams.
- Sammie Bell is spending his Easter vacation visiting his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Bell Jr., at their home in Klamath Falls.
- Mrs. Oscar Talent, who is ill at her home, is reported to be but slightly improved.
- Miss Patricia Bell spent Wednesday in Ashland visiting with Miss Jackie Don Lowe.
- The Girls' 4-H Cooking II club

met Monday evening, with Misses Patricia Bell and Barbara Helm demonstrating the making of light bread.

- George Yockel and Axel Dahl Sunday returned from a business trip to Los Angeles.
- Miss Patricia Bell entertained at a pajama party Wednesday evening several of her young friends. The evening was spent enjoying games.
- Ed Hininger, who has been ill for some time, is reported unimproved.
- Mrs. F. J. Chenoweth of Oakland, Ore., last week visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hash and Edna.
- Members of the Sewing II 4-H club met Friday afternoon. Following the meeting Misses Margaret Walker and Joan Helm served refreshments.
- Mrs. Wendell McCool of San Francisco this week visited at the home of her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Richard C. Joy.
- Mrs. Martha Turner, who spent the winter with her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. William Turner, Sunday left for her home in Tillamook.
- Mrs. R. L. Brantley this week returned from Oakland, Calif., where she visited with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Angus Todd.
- J. R. MacCracken, Mr. Coleman and School Supt. C. R. Bowman discussed the new school law at the Bellview Grange meeting Tuesday night.
- The extension unit will meet today, March 22, with topic of the day concerning garment finishing, uses of zippers and shoulder pads and will be led by Mrs. Hash and Mrs. Lanini. Mrs. Montgomery will report on her trip to the home interest conference in Corvallis. Hostesses are Mrs. Dunn and Mrs. Helms.
- The P-TA met Friday to honor fathers with a dad's night. A musical program was presented by J. Z. Walker, Tom Jess and Joe Walker singing several quartet selections, and a guitar and violin duet by Mr. Moseley and Mr. Errol of Ashland, and Mr. McKinnis and Mr. Clark. The nominating committee submitted the following to be voted on: President, Mrs. R. D. Reynolds; vice president, Mrs. Joe Wade; secretary, Mrs. I. R. Brantley, and treasurer, Mrs. Byrd. At the close of the evening Mr. Byrd, Mr. Crow and Mr. Reynolds served refreshments.
- Misses Edna Hash of Dead Indian and Miss Agnes Jones of Ashland were in Medford Sunday evening, where they entertained musically at the Christian church.



**FORM FOR A CENSUS**

1. What is your name and does it rate a low auto plate?
2. State your residence. Did you pick it out alone or were you influenced?
3. What did it cost, and have you sued the agent for misrepresentation?
4. List every person who usually lives here and don't try to hide Uncle Edgar under a rug.
5. Give color of house. Do you claim it was the painter's fault?

**PART II.**

6. How wet is the cellar and does the oil burner monopolize all your time except that which you give to census agents?
7. If you have a coal furnace who carries out the ashes?
8. Have you an electric icebox, and how do you like not owning your ice outright?
9. Do you have one or more radios in the home?
10. What are your two favorite programs outside of federal broadcasts?

**PART III.**

1. Do you own your radio outright? If you still are in debt for it do you regard yourself as owing money or as having an investment?
2. What is your mother tongue? If a native of America, how do you explain your grammar?
3. What is your occupation when not answering questions from census takers, Fuller brush men and callers who want to know if you would like some fresh eggs?
4. How far did you go in school? Did the school have an electric icebox?
5. If you did not go beyond the fifth grade state whether you quit to enter congress.
6. If you went to college give name of college and state if the college owned an electric icebox.
7. If employed give name of employer.
8. Does he own an electric icebox, radio, trailer or automobile?
9. What is the name of your immediate superior?
10. Does he own an electric icebox?
11. List any and all members of your household who are on the federal payroll. (Use both sides of paper.)
12. Are you allergic to census takers?
13. Are you particularly allergic to them if they own electric iceboxes or radios?

**PART IV.**

14. Do you know you can get 60 days in jail for not answering the census taker?
15. Do you know whether the jail has an electric icebox?

### HELP!

"The dancers face each other about five feet apart. They stand motionless for a moment, then rear their heads upward and bow low, fingers touching the floor. After a few seconds they rise, then greet each other by rubbing noses. The head is then put under one's left arm, then under the right arm, then raised toward the ceiling. The dancers then hold each other lightly by the waist, suddenly breaking into an extemporaneous bit of hula, and then, just as suddenly, they repeat the dance. This routine is performed three times."—From a description of "The Gooney," the new Hawaiian dance.

### THANKS FOR THE WARNING!

**Thoughts On a Bank Closing.**  
Stonington, Connecticut, closed its only bank, the old First National, the other day because of lack of business. Stonington is rarely visited these days except by people who anchor there on a cruise, but it is a quaint New England seacoast town which once knew the pomp and the glory. Swift steamships on the Boston-New York line once made it daily. It was a buzzing ship terminal, and the rotting timbers of its ancient piers are still visible. The town itself still has some of the loveliest dwellings of a former day and it is like stepping into the quiet, calm and orderly past to visit it. Bank my eye! Stonington is too rich in other things to miss it, say we.

Sign observed on the rear of a flivver going about 60 miles an hour: "Pass Quietly. Driver Asleep."

### A CHANCE AT LAST!

Jimmy Roosevelt is in a new movie corporation that proposes to show movie shorts in nickel-in-the-slot machines. It seems to us that he struck a great idea. There ought to be some way a man can see

## PEN PORTRAITS of OREGON

DRAWN FOR THE MINER BY MAC PHERSON



**TIMBERLINE LODGE, OREGON'S STUPENDOUS RESORT IN THE MT. HOOD NATIONAL FOREST, WAS BUILT BY THE GOVERNMENT AT A COST OF A MILLION DOLLARS.**

**THE WILLAMETTE RIVER, WAS CALLED TWO NAMES BY THE RED MAN: THE SECTION BELOW THE CLACKAMAS WAS CALLED "MULTNOMAH" THE PART BETWEEN THE CLACKAMAS AND THE FALLS THE "WILLAMETTE" MEANING "TO SPILL OR POUR WATER."**

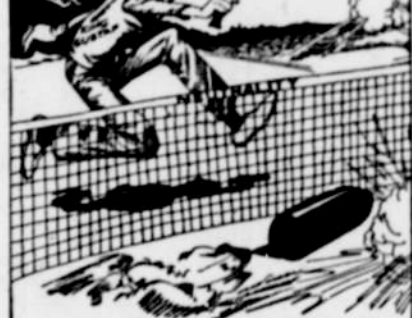
## Washington MERRY-GO-ROUND

DREW ROSEN AND ROBERT WELLES

### SWEDEN TAKES A HAND

WASHINGTON.—One of the most significant factors behind the Finnish-Russian peace maneuvers is that they have been inspired in large part by the invisible hand of the No. 2 Nazi, Field Marshal Hermann Goering.

Acting for him was the most powerful man in Scandinavia, Axel Wenner Gren, who has been a close friend of the German Air Minister ever since Goering married his first wife, the niece of Swedish Baron



Swinging hard for Sweden.

Rosen. Somewhere in the Finnish-Russian peace picture also (though the state department denies it) may be Sumner Welles.

Wenner Gren, who controls the Bofors munitions company and is the richest man in Sweden, was on his yacht, the Southern Cross, in the harbor of Nassau a few weeks ago when he received a coded message from Goering. The cable asked him to take the same ship as Welles took on his peace mission.

Wenner Gren flew to New York, boarded the Rex, and when he got to Rome, saw Mussolini before Welles did. Then he proceeded through Switzerland with Welles to Berlin, where he still is, and where he has been throwing his weight behind an early peace.

### Business Against War.

Goering's and Wenner Gren's interest in Finnish peace is easy to understand. From the viewpoint of the German army it would be just as disastrous to have Russia sweep through Finland and perhaps on to Sweden, as to have the Allies organize an expeditionary force to stop Russia.

In either case, Sweden's rich iron deposits would fall into the hands of a foreign power.

What the German army wants is a relatively tranquil Russia, from which Germany can draw raw materials. Also, the longer Russia is forced to continue fighting, the more vulnerable she becomes in the south, where are located the rich Batum oil fields, now invaluable to Germany.

Similarly, an allied expeditionary force sent through Sweden, perhaps turning that country into a battle-

movie and not see any of the flashes from next week's features.

"What," asked American Business Man No. 1 of American Business Man No. 2, "do you do between federal inquiries?"

field, would ruin the Wenner Gren interests. He is chairman of the Swedish Cellulose company, took over a large part of the Kreuger interests, and heads the Electrolux company, Swedish parent of the American subsidiaries which make vacuum cleaners and refrigerators.

The peace activity of Axel Wenner Gren illustrates the attitude of big business in both Wall Street and London's City. Unlike the case in the last war, American bankers are ardent rooters for peace. This time not they but Uncle Sam, through Jesse Jones, is lending the money. Not only is there no dough in war, but if Nazi-Communism wins, the capitalistic system stands in danger.

### More on Gren.

Axel Wenner Gren, although a friend of Goering's, is quite pro-American. His dark-eyed, fascinating wife comes from Kansas City. The Wenner Gren yacht, Southern Cross, rescued 376 of the Athenia survivors last September. Also it was the home of Greta Garbo during her recent stay in Florida and Bahamian waters. On it Greta ate copiously instead of dieting. Her dietician was trying to get her to put more weight around her shoulders.

Greta's wardrobe aboard the Southern Cross was so meager that she wore slacks most of the time, hardly had an evening dress. Friends attributed this to the fact that she never goes shopping—that means being stared at.

### MERRY-GO-ROUND.

Fortright Governor Stark of Missouri has started a Hatch law of his own. He has ruled that any state official who runs for office must get off the public payroll.

Justice Frank Murphy is having a hard time breaking into the work of the Supreme court. He is automatically barred from sitting in a number of cases, because as attorney general he represented the government in originating them.

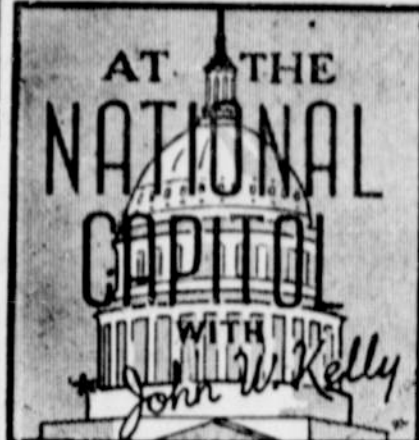
The war has created a new concept of transoceanic flying, once considered the height of daring adventure. Today it's the acme of safety, compared to crossing by ship in waters infested with submarines and mines. The transatlantic airlines are getting more passengers and mail business than they can handle.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Henry of Lincoln recently returned from Pasadena, Calif., where they spent the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Hoxie and son of Copco, Calif., visited here last week-end at the home of Mrs. Hoxie's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Herbert.

John Edwards of Redding visited with friends here Sunday.

Bernard Applegate of Happy Camp, Calif., visited here last week-end with friends and relatives.



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business were the growers of apples and pears. Then the lumber industry received an additional jolt as exports were curtailed. Now England and France have placed a regulation against the importation of canned goods, such as are produced in the packing plants of Oregon and Washington and which had a market in those belligerent countries. Anti-Japanese propaganda and talk of embargoes against Japan have subsided to a marked degree in the national capital, and no longer is there even discussion of the abrogation of the trade treaty. Very friendly commercial relations continue to exist between the two nations and business goes on as if nothing had happened.

The President probably will have an opportunity to veto a rivers and harbors measure. The chief executive informed senate leaders that he does not approve of such a bill this year as the money can be used for other purposes, such as army and navy.

There are so many rivers and harbors projects, however, a number in Washington and Oregon, which are needed by various communities that a bill will be prepared and very likely will pass. Then if the President doesn't like it he can affix his veto. There are members of congress who feel that this country needs other things as well as warships. For example, one of the proposed super battleships costs as much as all the money voted for the department of the interior (reclamation, fisheries, etc.) which is \$119,000,000.

For some unexplained reason, the report of the bureau of public roads dealing with inter-regional highways "of military importance" has not been filed. This report was to show the advisability of a super-highway from Boise down the Columbia river, and from Tacoma through Oregon on the route of the Pacific highway. War department would like these routes of "military importance" but does not want the money for them to come out of appropriations for the army.

Senator McCarran, Nevada, is asking for a senatorial investigation of the administration of public lands in the 11 public land states of the far west. The inquiry also would include a quiz of the Resettlement administration and Farm Security administration concerning their withdrawal of so-called submarginal lands. The senator implies that all is not on the up and up in the administration of the Taylor grazing act (11,978,370 such acres in Oregon, which includes 1,800,000 acres of state lands; no grazing area in Washington) and gives the impression that acres have been unnecessarily withdrawn from the tax rolls.

Reclamation Commissioner Page says a number of acres will be opened this year on the Owyhee project, the Roza division of the Yakima project, and the Boise-Payette in Idaho.

According to the census bureau, there are 700 million acres in western states where irrigation is essential but only 20 million acres have been irrigated. Of these 20 million acres but three million are under federal projects, the remainder are in state, district or private development. As the reclamation bureau sees the picture, despite the 700 million acres requiring water to make them available, there are approximately 10 million acres not yet developed which have an available supply of water.

Last year the government spent for CCC camps in Oregon \$10,464,716 and for the camps in Washington \$7,467,389. This was the cash outlay and does not include the value of the work done by the enrollees.

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