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## IRRIGON NEWS ITEMS

By Mrs. W. C. Isom

Mr. and Mrs. Coombs from Missouri are visiting the two Rand families. Mr. Coombs is a nephew of George Rand.

Fred Markham from Richland, Wn., is picking melons for several growers in this vicinity.

Mrs. Roy Minnick and two children, who have been visiting relatives in Missouri arrived home Saturday night.

Rev. and Mrs. Harness, Earl Goodwin and Joe Wilson motored to the mountains Wednesday to pick huckleberries, returning Friday.

Mrs. Charles Vanderlinde, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elroy Lamoreaux, is improving. She is in the Hermiston hospital.

Mrs. Edward Houghten left for her home in New Jersey this week after an extended visit with Oregon relatives. Mr. Houghten returned home a week earlier.

Barbara Berry from Portland is visiting relatives here.

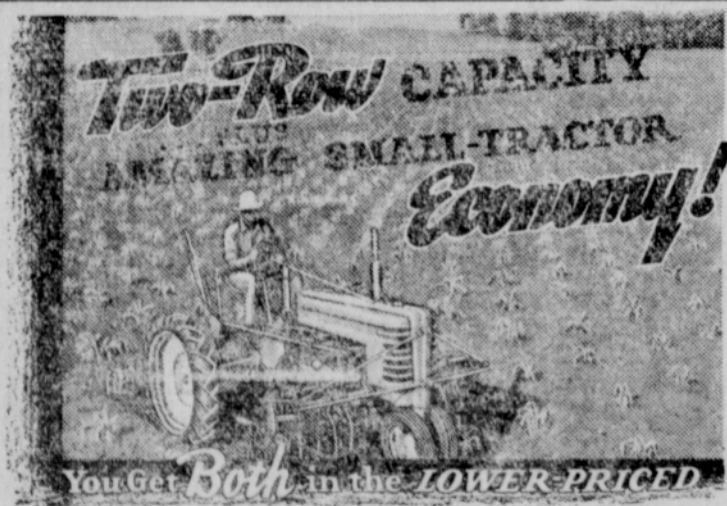
Mr. and Mrs. Earl Rand from Portland are visiting his parents and brother, Mr. and Mrs. George Rand and Mr. and Mrs. Batie Rand.

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## Word Coining Ability

### Enriches Language

American word-making ingenuity, which has taken delight in such mouth-filling words as "absquatulate" and "gerrymander," is fully as inventive in changing and adapting the shorter Anglo-Saxon words such as "go" and "get," it is disclosed in the ninth section of the new American English dictionary.

A "go," meaning a success, dates back to 1876, according to the dictionary. Sothorn, in his J. F. Daly, wrote at that time, "I hear your play is a 'great go.'" The prize-fight word gave "go" another meaning, of "an encounter," when in 1896 the American humorist George Ade spoke of putting on "a six-round go."

The Knickerbocker Magazine, an early literary publication, is credited with a further twist to the meaning of the word. In 1833 a writer made the accusation, "You have perjured yourself from the word go," adding the Biblical allusion, "You have equivocated from Dan to Beersheba."

The great American indoor sport of poker, while it may have impoverished its devotees, has enriched the American language in this connection. Among the dictionary's citations of its use are "My adversary went the dollar, and five better"; and "to go blind," meaning to bet a hand without looking at the cards.

"Get" has taken on a variety of meanings in the vigorous vocabulary of the American people, the dictionary reveals. "Get" or "git," meaning to depart, frequently occurs, as in the expression, from Mark Twain, "Then he says, 'one-two-three-git!'"

A further sense, of "comprehending an idea or person," is a recent development, the scholars reveal. In 1907 M. C. Harris, in "Tents of Wickedness," reports his character murmuring, "I don't get her."

## Scientific Palm Readings

### Reveal Interesting Traits

There is a scientific study of the palms, a true scientific study, as opposed to the fortune-telling palmistry we have all heard of. To a shrewd observer, examination of a man's hands will tell a good deal about his occupation and past history.

The pianist's hands, for example, are fine and delicate, but strong and flexible. The fingertips are all flattened and the spread and power of the little finger is a distinctive trait. An individual type, resembled only by the hands of a typist.

The very famous "surgeon's hands" bear no tool mark, but generally look dry and dull, because of frequent "scrubbing" in strong antiseptics.

The shoemaker's hands show the most wear. Gnarled, broadened and very distinctive. The index finger, also, although often as broad as the thumb at the base, tapers to a rounded point—from picking up nails. The left hand does not show these characteristics as much as the right.

The locomotive engineer has his left hand more developed than his right. Also his little finger is developed in strength out of all proportion. Thumb base is flattened, from pressure on the throttle. And a powerful wrist.

The left index finger betrays the tailor. And so does some characteristic, for every man who works with his hands, betrays his occupation to the man who knows where to look for the signs.

## Recreation Room Decoration

Ideas for the decoration of the basement recreation room are always welcome. One of the best has the double advantage of being inexpensive and effective as well. The walls of the room on three sides are decorated to look like a garden. Hollyhocks, delphiniums, snap dragons and other midsummer flowers are painted against a light cerulean blue background. Their gay colors brighten the room and establish an informal atmosphere. Close to the walls a low picket fence is set, and artificial trailing vines and a few potted plants used to break the continuous white lines. The fourth wall is clapboarded and decorated with built-in bookcases, a dropleaf side table, and a running upholstered bench. The floor is linoleum covered in a flagstone pattern centered with a large grass green rug. Chairs and tables are green and white painted wood of typical and comfortable garden variety.

## Wall Board Variety

New wall surfaces interest all of us—and with the great trend toward utilizing basements and attics for play or utility space the manufacturers have exercised their imagination and given us all kinds of new ideas. Wallboard is not new. Various kinds under many names have been on the market for years. It comes in sheets of different sizes, and its only drawback has been that it must be stripped with battens, which made a monotonous wall decoration. Now it can be bought in panels of interesting size and design. Molding strips and applied decoration may be used and newest of all are the bent panels which combined with the straight panel make a striking composition. These curved sections can be used in a great variety of ways and are joined to flat panels by an ingenious plaster coupling.

## STANFIELD NEWS

By Mrs. Rose Hedrick

Mrs. Nathan Bard and Miss Marilla Dunning entertained at breakfast at their home Tuesday morning complimenting Mrs. Effie Smith who with her husband will leave August 1 to reside in Portland. Covers were laid at daintily appointed tables for Mesdames Daughtry, Jouannault, Berry, Richards, McCormick, Stuart, Reeves, Hedrick, McCall, Lane, Shelton, Greathouse, Refvem, Hedrick, Fitzpatrick and the honoree. Following a three course breakfast a home talent program created much merriment. Prizes were voted to Mrs. Richards and Mrs. Smith. Mrs. Daughtry paid tribute to Mrs. Smith with some original verses. Mrs. Jouannault sang in French about our golden wheat. Mrs. Smith has been most active during her two years here.

Mrs. Willard Conley of The Dalles visited her brothers and sisters here Saturday before their departure for Philomath to join their parents there. Leaving on the train were Lorna, Billie, Dena Lee, Edward, Bobby and Kendall Gabriel.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Waid returned over the week end from Eugene where Mrs. Waid was studying.

Wednesday at the Presbyterian church the committee, Mrs. Richards, Mrs. McCormick and Mrs. Shelton of the Stanfield Women's Study club honored two of its members with a party. Mrs. Wallace Rhea and Mrs. Effie Smith were each presented a lovely gift. Refreshments were served.

Mrs. Byron Brown and children and Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Pratt and son Billy have returned from a visit with their relatives at Bellingham and at Custer, Wn.

Sam Meade of Seattle is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Meade while recovering from an auto accident about the first of June.

Bob Refvem is visiting his friend Kieth McAlester in Portland. Kieth suffered a badly broken arm last week when he fell from a bar in the playground park where he was assistant director.

Mrs. Harold Reeves was hostess to the Contract Bridge club at her apartments Monday afternoon.

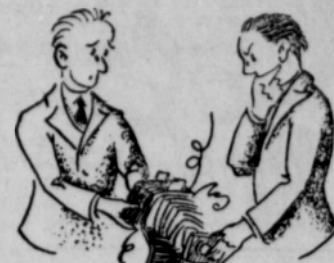
Mr. and Mrs. Don Burgess and three children from California are occupying Cap. Behme's furnished house. Mr. Burgess is a mechanic at Byron Brown's garage.

Mrs. Caldwell of Oceanside, Cal., is visiting her daughter, Mrs. R. B. McGraw on the project.

Miss Rose Hoosier was able to leave St. Anthony's hospital Wednesday and will be at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Hoosier during August.

Robert Christian of Prosser visited his mother, Mrs. Tom Moore Sunday. Miss Nellie Moore returned to Prosser to visit for two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank White and two children of St. Helens, Mrs. Levi Johnson and three children of Elgin,



## EXPERT ADVICE

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Mrs. Julius Haney and baby of St. Helens, Mrs. Rachel Connor and Dolores of Pendleton and Mrs. Orville Meyers and baby, and Mrs. Ralph Bartley and Shirley, all six sisters, visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. U. G. Shipley, Tuesday.

## FAIR VISITORS TO SEE MANY CHANGES

Entering the last lap of extensive improvements scheduled for completion at the Oregon state fairgrounds before the 1940 fair opens Labor day, September 2, WPA crews are busy remodeling the interior of the agricultural and domestic arts building and resetting coops in the poultry pavilion. Previously, exterior of all buildings has been painted white, several interiors painted, paving laid along the midway, a ramp constructed to the dance hall, "grease row" removed and a modern, sanitary restaurant building constructed and other improvements made.

Under the changes now in progress, the land products show will occupy the former sunken garden in the agricultural pavilion, with a revolving floral display to center the whole; the new state-wide dairy exhibit will occupy the entire east end,

being remodeled for this purpose. Minor changes are also in progress.

Counties which had indicated by late July that they will have exhibits include Polk, Coos, Douglas, Curry, Hood River, Yamhill, Lincoln, Columbia, Marion, Benton, Clackamas and Linn. Bonneville power project, NYA, soil conservation service and the state board of health will include an animated minerals map.

Poultry pavilion changes include running coops north and south to bench the show the long way of the building and to accommodate several hundreds more coops.

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