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Our own Pacific Northwest has the reputation in quarters away from home of being something pretty special in the way of an all-year-around play ground. Yet it seems that all too many of we Oregonians forget that fact when casting about for a place to spend the annual vacation. Distant places seem to have a greater allure than any place close by.

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tour is out of the question? What then? Are you going to slump down into a heap of self-pity and moan and groan about how dull it is around here, nothing to do, no place to go and life's pretty hard anyway?

Before you adopt that pose and ruin a good vacation, why not view the local situation with an open mind and see if there may not be a possibility or two to suit your requirements?

First, then, viewing the field in a general way, it is a fact that within our own state of Oregon there is opportunity for practically every type of vacation or recreation.

There are mountains, there are several hundred miles of ocean shore, there are burning deserts, and there are cool meadows and shady groves. And the amazing thing is that these and many other attractions are only a few hours distant from one's own doorstep. Tourists tell us that nowhere in the world, save on this Pacific Coast, is it possible to find so varied a program.

Within two hours drive from here are the fishing streams at Unity or Payette lake in our neighboring state of Idaho.

FARM DEBT ADJUSTMENTS

Farm debt adjustment committees, now organized in every county in Oregon, are already being highly effective in bringing debtors and creditors together on a basis agreeable to both.

The mere presence of these voluntary debt adjustment committees is proving a bulwark of public sentiment against severe actions by debtors and creditors in a time of emergency. Such was the case to a certain extent with the first system of voluntary committees last year. This year the committees are still stronger, and while still without legal status, they have the sanction and support of the state and national officials including the Farm Credit administration.

Early reports show that most of the cases that are laid before the committee may be settled by the chairman or secretary of the county committee alone by merely analyzing the situation and pointing out to both debtor and creditor the possible adjustments in principle, interest rates, payments or other features of the debt. A small percentage must be heard by the entire committee, and a few find their way to the state committee. In all cases common sense is the first and most important rule of procedure, according to members of the state committee.

The volume of work this year is expected to be many times as large as last year, hence every effort is being made to lighten the burden of the committee members who work without compensation. County agents can assist in giving out information, having blanks filled out, and arranging for hearings, though the committees alone are responsible for decisions.

THE GREAT DISTINCTION

Ernest Haycox, successful young western author, has a lot of hard common sense along with the imagination that enables him to turn out entertaining fiction for national magazines. Here is a thought from an article by him in Spokes, weekly publication of the Portland, Oregon, Rotary Club:

"There is one highly important distinction between private business and public business. Private business is under the constant necessity of remaining solvent. Public business may magnificently disregard profit and loss. No private executive breathes who can turn out a deficit year after year without going out on his ear. But a senator may sponsor a bill that costs the government half a billion dollars a year and be regarded as a great statesman because he hasn't lost us a whole billion."

That is the inescapable corollary of politics in business. Case after case is in the records where waste, inefficiency, bureaucracy, red-tape have cost the taxpayers many millions. When government steps in, personal responsibility steps out. The seemingly bottomless purse of the treasury is always there to make up the deficits.

Able executives have occasionally been appointed as managers of government business enterprises—men who, in private business, would be successful and would produce profits and not losses. But under political domination their hands are tied. Constant pressure is brought against them to do this or do that, for purely political reasons. And if the manager complains too loudly when that happens he is liable to suddenly find himself without a job.

Some day there will be a complete report made on what government-in-business has cost the American taxpayer—and he had better be sitting down when he looks at the total, inasmuch as it is more dangerous to faint standing up.



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dear editor:

no doot you hev notsed the hy winds that be blowin lately, thats bekuz kongress is in session, may god saiv the kentry.

you no may ole frend bob millar, of korse; wel, bob is not only a bachelor but he is kinder bashful; last summer bob was down visitin at the sea shor and met a jung laidy, he took the jung woman out walkin one mune lite night, and they set down in the sand; the gurl was willin to nek but bob was sorter slow to get goin. pretty sune she sez sez she, "bob, why don't you kiss me?" bob sez, sez he, "wate until i get this sand outter my mouth." the gurl sez, sez she "swaller it, big boy, you shure need it."

but mebbe it dew pay to be kairful, bekuz manie a man has been stung tryin to get sum huney for hisself.

dock sarazin's little gurl gaim home tother day from skule, and she sez to her dad, sez she "dad, i got in trubble at skule today because of rumatism." "why" sez her father, sez he "i didn't kno you had rumatism, daughter?" "i aint got it" sez the young hopeful, sez she, "but i kudent spel it."

speakin of dock sarazin, he is I man who gives the wimmen around hear sumthin to talk about. yes, there operashuns, of korse.

tother day a strainger kaim to town and met our gud lookin marshal art look. "o you air the cheef of police" sez the strainger to art, sez he "i shure am glad to meat you; now i wud like to shak hands with the fire cheef." art sez, sez he "wate until i kin chainege hats."

i hurd of a man that got a divorce tother day, bekuz the kourt sed it was not legal for the gurl's old man to karry a shot gun, as he hadn't no lisenec.

i kin shure tel you how to keep flys off my ole kow's back, but its such a long tale.

yores trulie

Farmer Brown

FROM OUR READERS

A new subscriber is Nick Rudlick of this city.

The Journal also welcomes Mr. and Mrs. Delbert E. Taylor who are living in Logan, Utah.

Miss Opal Ivers teacher at Lincoln school, has returned to Pollock, Ida, for the summer. She has changed the address of her Journal.

Mr. and Mrs. Neil Ford have changed their address from Olympia to Tacoma, Washington. Mrs. Ford is the daughter of Mrs. Zena Rambaud of Nyssa.

An old friend Mrs. Oliver Sandy has returned to the Sandy Sunnyside ranch at Bonita after closing her school year at Pioneer district out of Payette.

Renewals were received from Aden Wilson and Hugh Glasgow this week. Willard Lynch has changed the address of his Journal from San Leandro, Cal., to Banks, Idaho.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our kind friends and neighbors for their flowers and nice deeds which helped us to bear the loss of our beloved baby son and brother.

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To the right at the furthestest turn-
ing.
There before him the open fields,
And the world of a small boys yearn-
ing.

"I'll never go back, I'll never!"
And he laughed and ran with glee,
Wasn't this glorious adventure
To be traveling alone and free?
"I'll travel right on forever
"I'll see the whole world," said he
"All ready I've gone miles and miles
I know they will never find me."
"Wonder what makes sleepy?"

And the sun in the west was ablaze,
"Wonder what makes my feet go slow?"
And the look in his eyes was a daze.
Then a haystack loomed before him,
And the cows and hollowed a place,
Just big enough for a six-year-old,
To lie in the shade, on his face.
There in the dusk they found him,
In the haystack fast asleep,
Dreaming dreams of adventure,
Or perhaps of little Bo Peep.
They carried him home so gently,
No need, now, for alarms,
Glad to be back from seeing the world
Cradled safely in mother's arms.
—Ruby Ellis Rust.

4-H CLUB NEWS NOTES

A meeting of the Economizing cooks 4-H club led by Miss Helen Winters was held at the home of Lola Truelson last Tuesday. Members taking second division cooking discussed the starch cousins.

The sixth meeting of the Social Sewers 4-H club led by Mrs. Harriette Truelson was held at the home of Joyce Ashcraft last Wednesday. After a short business meeting the members present worked on their projects. It was decided that the next meeting would be held at the home of Gloria Glascock.

Miss Jeanette Martin of Nyssa, who has completed a year's teaching at Vale, entertained the Vale teachers and friends with a picnic supper at the Vale park last Tuesday night. Assisting Miss Martin were Misses Oran Belle Rood, Beryl Nelson and Florence Kniefel.

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