

THE OLSEN TIMES

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DICK MAKES SHREWD CAR DEAL

Richard, the No.1 Olsen boy, is an honor student and nearing his Senior yr. at Pacific Lutheran. Majoring in physics, one of his most consuming interests is automobiles, and he specializes in older models. At the present he is in the process of rejuvenating a '30 Olds and he has just completed a shrewd deal in a straight trade of a 1941 Chevrolet for a '51! The latter, although it wouldn't run when he got it, now hums along just fine under his watchful eye. As the mechanical-minded member of the family, repair bills are kept to a minimum.

21-year old Dick is now employed by a Tacoma firm and is making plans now for a climb to Mt. Rainier's 14,410-foot summit.

MUT GETTING OLD, BUT STILL HAVING FUN

Our long-time and sole pet, Poncho is a black-haired, curly, and playful dog—now eleven years old. Although he has given up sprinting to the church in hopes of beating the family car, and doesn't take many walking trips to the post office any more, he is still active and is

getting white hair, and loves to bark. He must be the most patient dog in the world, for over the years "Ponch" has stood tail-pulling and all kinds of abuse by the small-fry without getting mad. We hope to have our mut with us for a long time yet.

BUILD FOR CHARACTER -

That's Pacific Lutheran College's motto, and this year they are really living up to it.

Material building is going on all over. The present phase of building started in April when Dr. Eastvold, PLC's president, gave the students and faculty a 20'x40' swimming pool in honor of his 15th year at the college. Right now a new wing, half as long as the original building, is being added to the Science Hall where Dr. Olsen teaches. The pneumatic drills and such don't help his lectures much, but it'll be worth it. Also going up is an addition to the cafeteria in the College Union building, with an Administration building in the planning stage.

Life at the college is keeping pace with construction. Summer school and conventions will bring 3200 summer visitors to P.L.C.

EDIFACE NEARING COMPLETION

Trinity Lutheran Congregation, to which the family has belonged since its arrival in 1947, has expanded its facilities and now consists of a nearly completed sanctuary and two educational wings. Now under the leadership of Pastors E. Thompson and John Skepstad, the congregation has built this new building to take the place of the 50-year-old church that was razed last summer. This year, Dr. Olsen has been a Deacon, Mrs. Olsen taught Bible School and Sunday School, and the rest of the family helped and participated in various other activities.

JIM ALL SET FOR GALA YEAR

"Yes," commented Jim recently in a Bulletin interview, "I'm sure looking forward to my last year in High School," referring to his Senior Year at Franklin Pierce Hi that starts in September. In his Junior year he took part in several activities including drama, newspaper, Latin Club, and driver training.

In his leisure time mimeographing and stamp collecting are two fields of activity. United Nations tops the list of his favorite stamps and he has an almost-complete set of U N blocks. Jim is employed by Lea, Pearson, and Richards, Architects with the important job of...janitor!

He has now reached the age of 17, is a more or less typical teen-ager, and is no.3 on the list of Olsen boys.

TIMOTHY LIEN AND RUTH ELOISE — THE YOUNGER SET

Ruth and Tim keep us from becoming preoccupied with high school and college life. Ruth will be in 2nd grade and Tim will start kindergarten in '59. They have a lot of fun together, and Tim is always trying to act as big as Ruth. He has the idea that he is too grown-up to wear short pants (sometimes even short sleeves), and it disturbs him to see Paul and Bob wearing Scout shorts. He is an authority on everything. He told Becky Thompson, a girl about his age whom our mother has been taking care of days during the school year, "You know about gardner snakes? Well, they guard."

Ruth lost her fourth tooth Wednesday night. She is a proficient reader, with tastes leaning toward Seuss. She tells Tim stories by the hour, which is fine most of the time; however, since their beds are in the same room, it's a problem at night. The other night Mom heard her crying and asked what the trouble was. She replied, "We were pretending our cribs were boats, and Tim cut the rope on my boat and it sank! "

This issue, although not intended as a recommencement of the "Times" is brot to you without charge to bring you up to date on what's going on out here in Parkland. (There's more on the other side.)

PAUL JOHN TURNS ATHLETE

Paul, at 13 the inheritor of the chubby build Bob and Jim recently outgrew, is the family athlete for the summer. He took a swimming course at the YMCA in June, has just returned from his first summer at Scout camp (he is a 2nd class scout), and is a member of the local Bantam League baseball team, complete with an ad for a gas station across his back.

He is also proficient in playing the piano and the bass clarinet, on the latter of which he played as part of a quintet in church last Sunday.

He will be in the first class in the new Morris Ford Jr. High next fall.

BOB GOES WESTERN

Bob, just through his first year at PLC, grew a beard this spring, becoming the first one in the family to do so. He is a member of APO, the campus service group composed of ex-scouts, which, among other things, welcomes new freshmen, sells used books, ushers at programs, has blood drives, sets up chairs and such—and sponsors an annual beard-growing contest. As a member he was not eligible for a prize, but it was fun.

This year in school he was also a member of the band, the debate squad, the camera club, and the Lutheran Student Association. (He also did some studying.)

This summer, besides working at the

PLC library, as he does during the year too, he has spent two weeks at the Lutheran Bible Institute in Seattle and taken a 30-mile hike in the wilds of Montana with the local Explorers. "They are a good group," he says. "I almost wish I were young again, so I could stay in."

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PARENTS BUSY TOO

Dr. and Mrs. Olsen carry on the most important activities, but make the least fuss over them. We will note their accomplishments, however.

Dr. Olsen, aside from the obvious contribution of bringing home the monthly check which makes all other activities possible, is a member of the church's board of deacons and the Scout troop committee. Also, he grows fruit and vegetables in his garden and adds variety (as a chemist) to the family bread and jelly-making. We are presently calculating how much he has saved by cutting the boys' hair for the past 20 years.

Mrs. Olsen, besides keeping the rest of us in line, taught Sunday School and Vacation School this year, and is active in the church's Reading Club. In February she was a panelist at the ELC Evangelism Conference in Seattle. With many of the boys away this summer and with her mother, Mrs. Rulison, here, she and Ruth have been less "outnumbered" than usual.

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FIRST OF ALL, THE FOLKS

Dr. and Mrs. Olsen have for another year been engaged in the most exciting activity of all, but the one which is the hardest to write up—being parents to the other six Olsens. Without their supplying our needs and keeping the home running, the rest of our stories would be very different. But this has been a distinctive year even in "home-running": it has been the first full year in which there hasn't been one of us below school age, and it is the first time any of the "kids" have lived away from home. At times it has seemed quiet with only four "small fry" at home.

Dr. Olsen has finished his 13th year at Pacific Lutheran College, and is about to begin his first at Pacific Lutheran University. Last summer he attended a 6-week institute for chemistry professors at Oregon State; this summer, besides teaching summer school, gardening, and making jam, he has been painting the house, with varying degrees of assistance from the "younguns."

Mrs. Olsen has been busier than ever as the family's chief correspondent, what with two boys away. She has been active in church work, taking part in a pageant for regional women's meetings last summer and this spring, and arranging monthly mission programs for Trinity Lutheran's Sunday School. She taught Vacation Bible School earlier this summer.

This December 29th, Dr. and Mrs. Olsen will celebrate their silver wedding anniversary.



DICK TO GET SECOND DEGREE

This fall will see Richard, 23½, back at Corvallis, Oregon, to continue his studies in chemical engineering at Oregon State College. Dick graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree from P.L.C. in '59; since then he has attended O.S.C. one year and plans to for at least one more year, aiming toward a Bachelor of Science.

This summer has provided a change, but not necessarily a slowing, of pace for Dick. Painting and sandblasting at Hooker Chemical Co. in Tacoma take eight hours of his day, and keeping three cars in tip-top shape is no easy job.

Military service may loom ahead for Dick, but Uncle Sam has been kind enough to hold off until he can complete his schooling.

A SEATTLEITE AROUND THE SON

That, in the words of Pastor E. V. Stime, dean of the Lutheran Bible Institute of Seattle, is what Bob, 20½, has been for the past year. After two years at P.L.C., he has spent the last school year at L.B.I. "Invested is a better word than spent," he says; "time in the Word of God is very rewarding." Bob will be at L.B.I. another year before returning to college.

L.B.I. is a two-year school of about 100 students, specializing in Bible study and training for effective work in the Kingdom of God. Last year Bob was on the Mission Committee and in the choir, and this summer he traveled 4000 miles and sang 75 concerts with the quartet whose picture is in this bulletin. Since the end of the six-week tour he has stayed at L.B.I. and worked as a pastor's assistant at Bethel Lutheran Church in north Seattle.

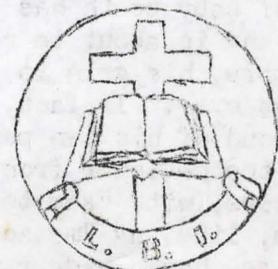
Bob's room in the attic, which he built in the summer of 1958 to find peace, quiet, and desk space for better study, has this summer been occupied by Roy Tahtinen, who will be a senior at P.L.U. this fall. He observed Tim for Human Development class last semester, so he and the kids are great friends.

JIM WORKS, AND IS WORKED ON

Pacific Lutheran College has been for Jim, 19, not only a school, but, for much of the summer, an employer as well. Helping with the Summer Theater's production "Cinderella," building sets for this fall's "Rumpelstiltskin," fiddling with buttons and knobs in the radio booth, and carrying microphones around for conventions have been part of his job. Next fall will see him back at P.L.U. as an exalted soph.

Tacoma General Hospital entertained Jim for a week in August, during which time he had some minor surgery. He is recovering well, and reports that he enjoyed his stay. Painless operating, meals in bed, good roommates, and cute nurses convinced him that hospitals aren't so bad after all.

Below is the seal of the Lutheran Bible Institute, where Bob is a student. In the opposite corner is the new seal of Pacific Lutheran University, the official name for what is now P.L.U., effective the first of September.



PAUL HOLDING DOWN THE HIGH SCHOOL SECTION

Paul, the only link across a ten-year age gap, is 15 and this fall will be a sophomore at Franklin Pierce High School. He is the family musician, playing bass clarinet in the high school band and also quite proficient on the piano. And his rabid interest in sports (for years he has made endless lists of baseball and basketball statistics) is becoming more active--he is turning out for football. Other activities include Scouting, Luther League, and the school projection club.

His free time this summer has been taken up with such things as listening to and attending the Tacoma Giants' games, swimming in the College's pool, and a week at Scout camp.

NEWS OF THE GIRLS' DEPARTMENT - RUTH

The Olsens are not a notably "long-hair" group--Dr. Olsen and Dick, the family barbers, keep the heads of the younger generation quite closely cropped. The outstanding exception is Ruth, 9, the only girl and the proud possessor of a 21½" pony tail.

Ruth's favorite pastime is reading. She has read through piles of books, some of them two or three times, and is getting better and enjoying it more all the time. She can read to Tim as well as anyone can, and has little trouble at school, where she will be in the fourth grade this fall.

Besides being a Brownie, Ruth sings in the junior choir at the church, has many friends. She is kind and friendly, and is neither a tom-boy nor spoiled despite the influence of five brothers.

Last month she used some of her saved-up money to get a doll--one the size of a six-months-old baby. She has wanted one for several months, and is very fond of "Violet." She has no worry about doll clothes; she uses "hand-me-downs" from six real babies.

TIDINGS OF "TOOTHLESS TIM"

Looking forward to entering first grade when school starts September 7 is Timothy, 6½, the youngest Olsen. He is anxious to get back with his Kindergarten friends, and is looking forward to going to Brookdale School with Ruth.

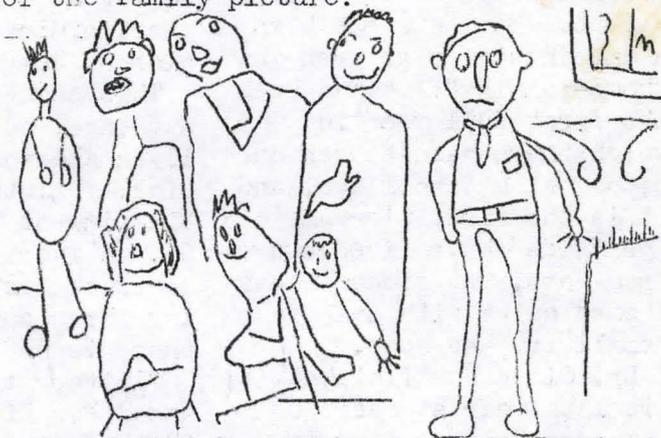
Even though his pearly row of baby teeth has four gaps and is about to get two more, his grin is as big as ever. In fact, he is proud of his two permanent teeth--lower frontal incisors, with "saw teeth."

Tim, like any "menace" his age, has a wide range
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of interests, but currently his main one is building, running, and fixing things that go. One day he may be hot on boats, while airplanes or rockets may capture his fancy the next. Earlier this year he designed a rocket, with each of its parts, many radically new, illustrated and explained. He mailed the plans to Cape Canaveral, and received in return a packet of rocket pictures courtesy of the rocket base. "I'm mostly interested in planes now," says Tim, "because they're so fascinating."

Tim recently learned to ride a two-wheel bike; he has lots of fun riding it around the fields and sidewalks of the lower campus. Also, Roy helped him build a car out of boards and old buggy wheels, so the Olsen "fleet" of cars now numbers six.

Tim is an artist as well as a mechanic and everything else; below is his version of the family picture:



Our faithful watchdog and pet, Poncho, 13, is slowing down but is more comical than ever, especially in his frisky moments. He expects to be let in or out at any time of the day or night he chooses, and can always make someone do so.

THE OLSEN TIMES, founded Aug. 15, 1951, by James B. Olsen, was published 3 years as a weekly and 2 as a monthly paper, and had up to 150 subscribers. This supplement is being mailed as a first-day cover for the fifth World Forestry Conference now being held in Seattle.

Please inform us of any address changes.

The Pacific Northwest will extend its hand of greeting, and the door of the Olsen house will be open to anyone who cares to grab a car, train, plane, or boat and make the trip. The wonders of Western Washington cannot be realized without a personal visit; the climate alone is worth coming for! The list of those who have been our guests recently includes:

Last summer - Catherine Spice and family, Detroit
During the year - John Rulison Jr., Lansing, Mich.
Roommates and friends of Dick and Bob

This summer - Mrs. Elizabeth Pettingill, her son Bob, and Priscilla Coe, all of Detroit.

Mrs. J. G. Rulison, Mrs. Olsen's mother--an annual visit we always anticipate

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Pilcher, Wenatchee, Wash.

Edson Farrar and son John, San Bernardino, Calif.

Ruth E. Olsen, Muskegon, Mich.

We slept eleven people in our house on two occasions this summer. This is a new record, but we're willing to try for more. If you're coming west, stop by and see us.

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August 1961

LOOKING BACK— A HISTORY OF THE OLSEN TIMES

This month it is a full decade since James B. Olsen, "editor and printer," began producing The Olsen Times, a paper which long claimed "Interested Readers Every Week" and stood unrivaled in the 1¢-an-issue class.

The Olsen family, chief subjects of Jim's reporting, was smaller and of course younger then.

Dr. Robert Olsen had completed four years of teaching chemistry at Pacific Lutheran College in Parkland. Mrs. Olsen was busy caring for 3-month - old Ruthie, very cute and a big source of news. Dick, now in engineering school, was entering 9th grade; Bob and Jim, presently college students, had reached the 7th and 5th grades respectively; Paul, a junior in high school was about to attain to the rank of first grader. Tim, "number five boy," was not yet on the scene.

The Times originated as an idea from "A Boy's Treasury of Things-to-Do." Dr. Olsen and Bob Jr. were on a trip to Michigan, the family's "home country," and Jim decided to type up a paper to let them know what was happening "on the western front," and while he was at it he made four carbons for relatives and friends. When the trip was over he kept on putting out a paper each

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1960-1961 - NEWS IN BRIEF

Dr. Olsen has taught his fourteenth year at Pacific Lutheran University (formerly Pacific Lutheran College), and has been active in church and community affairs. This summer he spent eight weeks at Oregon State University on a research grant from the National Science Foundation.

Mrs. Olsen finished another year in the strategic role of Family Coordinator. She took two weekend trips with Ruth and Tim: one to California in October and one to Oregon in April which included a stopover at Oregon State to see Dick.

Dick, 24, has spent two years at OSU in chemical engineering since graduating from PLC. Besides working for Hooker Chemical Co. in Tacoma this summer he has built the family a picnic table and benches and is again restoring his 1930 Olds.

Bob, 21, graduated in May from the Lutheran Bible Institute in Seattle; while there he worked as youth director in a nearby church. Unemployed this summer he has been a counselor at a youth work camp and a leadership school, taught vacation church school, and added a closet, shelves, and other features to his "inner sanctum" in the attic.

Jim, 20, worked with PLU's new closed-circuit TV equipment during the

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PARKLAND HOSTS TRAVELERS

Mrs. J. G. Rulison, Mrs. Olsen's mother, was with us through October of last year, and has been here since last May.

Three of Bob's fellow-students from LBI have been over - night guests this year: Anael Macha from Tanganyika, Peter Chang from Hong Kong, and Ted Clithero from Seattle.

Several friends from out of town payed us short visits during the last year. Among these were Mr. and Mrs. William Buckleair, Elizabeth and David from Winston, Ore.; Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Harrison and Frances from Poulsbo, Wash.; Misses Ruth Durheim and Clara Reynolds from Seattle, Wash.; Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Pryor from El Paso, Texas; and Dr. Helen Huus from Lansdowne, Pennsylvania.

From Muskegon, Michigan came Dr. Olsen's sister, Mrs. Charles Silky, and her daughter Janet. After being startled in the middle of the night by Dr. Olsen boarding their train in Oregon, they were escorted to Parkland and spent an all-too-short six days—which included visits to Mt. Rainier and to Olympia's Capitol.

THE INHUMAN SIDE OF THE NEWS

Perhaps the saddest event of the year was the passing of Poncho, faithful friend and watch - dog of the family for 13 of his fourteen years. Three months later, however, his place was taken by Harv, who is described in Ruth and Tim's newsletter. Harv is very similar to Ponch in appearance, except not so curly and is much nearer the ground.

Tim takes a great interest in all forms of animal life. His latest pet is a small crab, captured at Hood Canal, now thriving in a cake pan. Its name: Julius Tweezer.

ENCLOSURES IN THIS ISSUE

Two "historical" facsimile papers are included with this Bulletin. One is a reproduction of the original Olsen Times, typed with four carbons on Sunday, August 19, 1951, by Jim Olsen. The other is a "newsletter" sent by Ruth and Tim to Dr. Olsen (see below) to inform him of the doings at home. Ruth, the "editor," is very close to being the same age as Jim was when he began his publishing career. This will probably not become a regular publication, but it will give you an indication of what the "small fry" think about. (Jim made a stencil from Ruth and Tim's original.)

Sunday, partly by "popular demand," and with his fourth issue he began to mimeograph it at the local church. This increased his production potential immensely: he was really in business.

Jim's journalistic style matured as the volumes mounted up (which was very quickly, since he counted two months as a volume), but even in Vol. I No. IV the Times' basic pattern can be seen. There is news of the family and community, the "Offical" Parkland weather, the weekly column of "Plant News" (about planting a sprout from a corn cob), and the Times' first editorial--on the subject of stamp collecting. True to the early Times style of unique spelling there is a report of "Robert Sr." buying a radio at a "funicher" store.

Circulation grew rapidly. Subscribers showed the paper to others, who in turn subscribed; a great boost came from an article in the Jan. 13, 1952 Tacoma News Tribune telling the story of the Times and showing a picture of Jim at work, labeled "Press Tycoon." For several weeks the paper carried a heading telling the number of subscribers: on Oct. 14, 1951, the number was 12; on Dec. 23 it was 46. By his first anniversary there were 102; at one time the number was close to 150. The Times was sent to England, France, Norway, and Arabia; the mailing list included August Andresen, U. S. Representative from Minnesota, O. G. Malmin, editor of the Lutheran Herald, and Dr. Arnold Gesell, child specialist.

Some milestones in the history of the Times: Mar. 2, 1952, when the paper became 14" long and 2¢ a copy; March 30, 1952, when Jim began using his own mimeograph machine (\$5 plus \$7 for shipping); June 8, 1952, the headline "Ruth Stans, Walks Next Day" (excerpt -- "First she straightened out her back legs"); Aug. 17, 1952, first anniversary, first use of colored paper and mimeoscope, and first two-sided paper; August, 1953, when the papers' stencils were begun by Jim in Michigan and finished and printed by Bob back in Parkland; August 16, 1953, Jim's first use of colored ink; Oct. 2, 1953, when the Times' only "Extra" proclaimed, "Another Boy!" followed two days later by the regular edition, headlined, "Tiny Tim Olsen, Nursery Champ;" July 4, 1954, first three-color issue; Aug. 15, 1954, when the paper became a monthly; April, 1955, the four-color Olsen flag; and Dec. 1955, a full-page map of Parkland, showing the route of the new storm drains.

Publication ceased in June of 1956, after 185 issues (223 pages); Jim found that high school activities, his stamp hobby, and other things were curtailing his effectiveness as a journalist. He has remembered his subscribers, however; supplements were issued in 1958 and 1960 as well as this year. As the News Tribune story put it, "rival publications figured that the Times didn't pose a major threat to their existence"; they are doing well in covering local news, and family news is relayed via Christmas cards and other correspondence. But the Times files remain valuable as history, and for insight into the mind of a 10- to 14-year-old editor. -END-

school year. Early this summer, feeling extra studious, he took a course in second-year French which required about ten hours' study per day. Now he is working on the PLU campus and in his spare time is preparing a stamp exhibit for the Western Washington Fair Hobby Hall. He and Bob will be Juniors at PLU this fall.

Paul, 16, was in the band, played football, and was track manager at Franklin Pierce High School last year. This summer he played in a 12-piano ensemble and had a dramatic role in the Tacoma Arts-for-Youth Festival which Mrs. Olsen helped plan and arrange, and later went to Scout camp for his fourth time.

Ruth, 10, is getting proficient at playing the piano, swims almost daily at the PLU pool, helps Mother around the house, and plays with the younger children, and with their dogs, in the student housing area across the creek bed.

Tim, 7, is active in all sorts of projects: boat-, airplane-, and fort-construction; earth-moving in the sandbox; pea-, bean-, and berry-picking; giving help and suggestions in other people's work; and whatever else he can find to do that's fun. He's proud of his new permanent teeth and his reading ability.

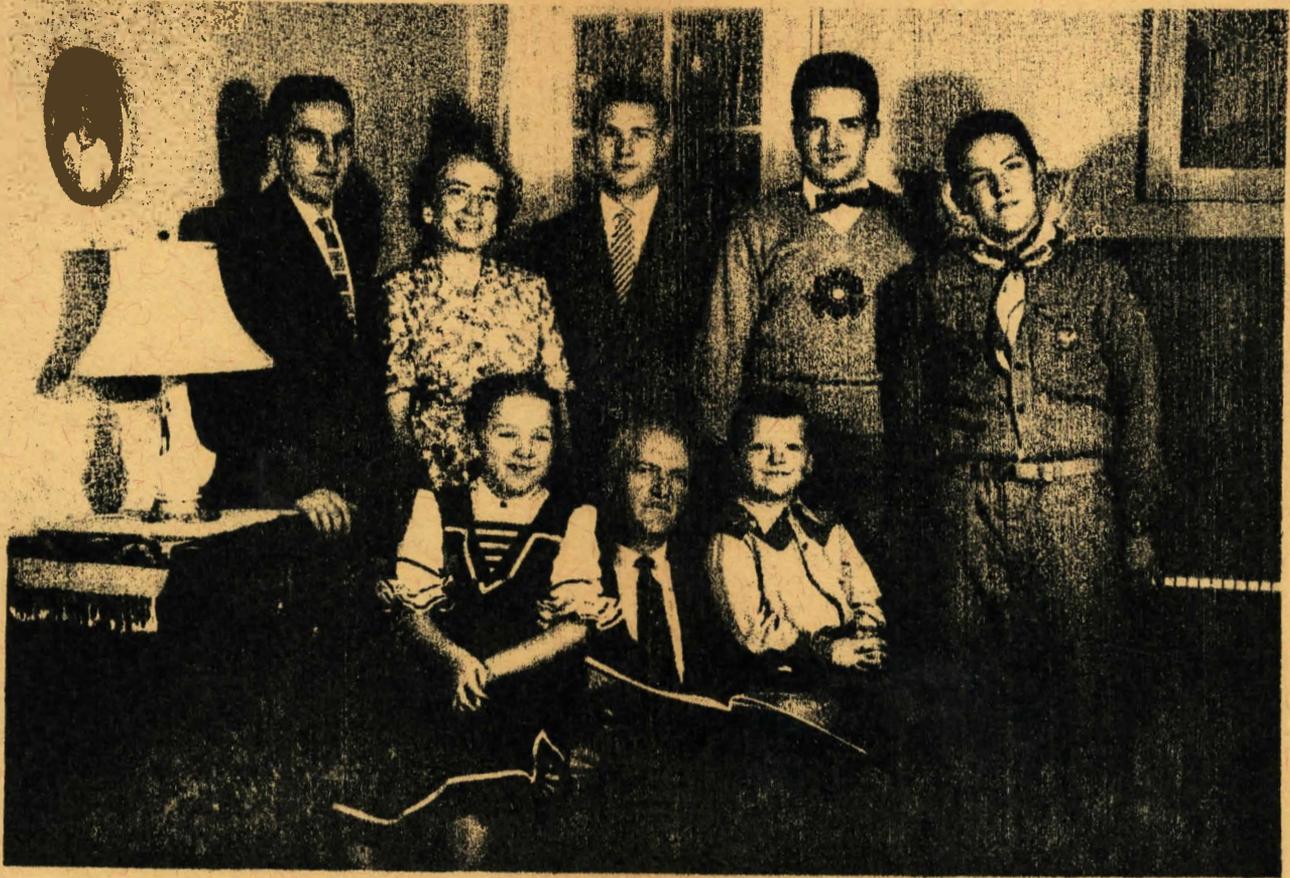
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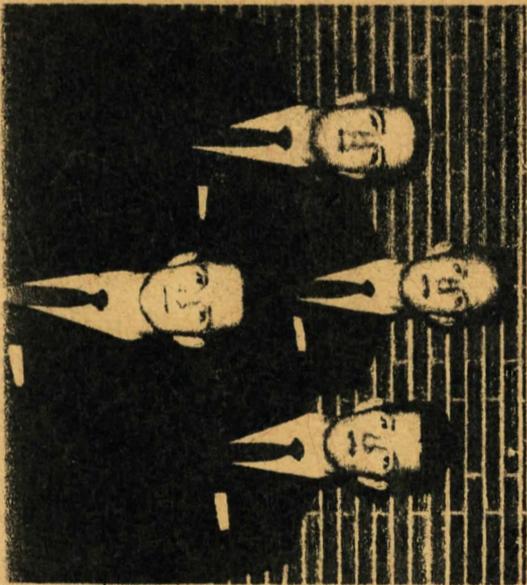


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Seated, Ruth, Dr. Olsen, Tim; Standing, Jim, Mrs. Olsen, Dick, Bob and Paul.



The Lutheran-Aires, a male quartet from the Lutheran Bible Institute of Seattle, Washington, has recently completed a tour thru four northwestern states. In the group are: foreground, Gary Hagen of Tacoma; back row, left to right, Robert Olsen of Parkland, Nathan Stime of Seattle, and Doug Mjornd of Minneapolis.

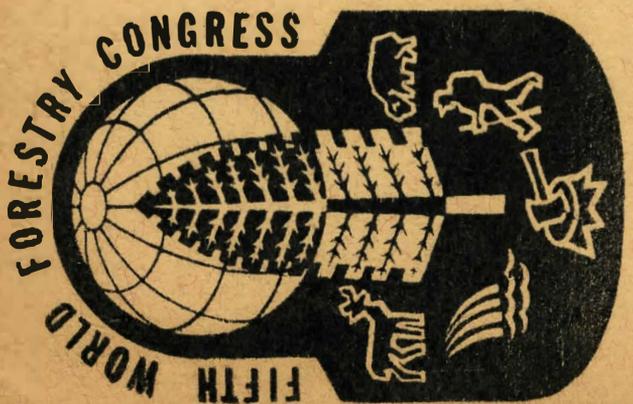
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New Discoverys

I am sure that an onion that is seeding puts it's seeds in the ground by falling over and drop it's seeds. it stem breaks because it is very tall and slanting. Its seeds have not come out yet.

I went to a public telephone to make an experament I had told Dick to call Granite 9975 which is the public telephone number. And after the telephone rang I knew that my experament had worked. I lifted the receiver and talked about a minite and then I went back to Grandma Rulison's apartment whitch is across the street. (that is where Dick was).

DADDY AND BOBBY GO TO MICHIGAN

Robert C. Olsen Sr. & Robert C. Olsen Jr. went to michigan on the train and by boat part of the way. Thay are now in michigan. Grandpa and Grandma Olsen will meet them at Muskegon.

DR. RAMSTAD PREACHES AT CHURCH

Dr. Ramstad (a chemistry teacher with Daddy) instead of Dr. Ernest B. Steen or Dr. Kelmer N. Roe whitch are both on vacations.

JIM WROTE TO ROY

James B. Olsen (the editor) wrote a letter to the 11 year old boy Roy Butler. He lives at:

4 Station Road
Pott Row
Grimston
King's Lynn
Norfolk
England

Isn't that a long address?

BIG CUCUMBER

My biggest cucumber is 6 inches long and 2 inches wide

BOY WINS BIKE

A boy across the street from us won a bike in Tacoma yesterday. He was so surprized that he didn't say anything read his name, he didn't say anything but someone near him did.

DICK HAS SOME RAPE PUMPKINS

Dick has 4 or 5 punkkins on his pumpkin plants.

MOMMY AND ME TAKE CARE OF NURSERY

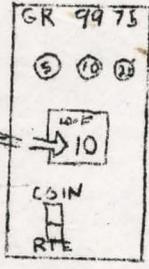
Mommy ond I took care of the nursery of our church. One of the boy in his crib stood up and droped his toys. One boy always said he wanted his mother.

A LADY MOMMY KNOWS BROUGHT A GIFT (Mrs. Giser)

The gift was a silver cup a silver fork and a silver spoon.

ANDERSON'S COME

The Andersons(a cub scout cubmaster) came to our house and showed off their little girl that is two weeks older than Ruth. Thay had just come from a Cub Picknic.



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THIS IS A REISSUE FROM A NEW "PLATE" OF THE FIRST ISSUE OF MY NEWSPAPER, **THE OISEN TIMES** BROKEN LINE TELLS APPROXIMATELY WHERE THE BOTTOM OF THE PATER WAS. THE DATE, "Sunday, August 19.", AT THE TOP WAS IN THE YEAR 1951. THE ORIGINAL WAS PRINTED WITH CARBON PAPER. FOUR COPIES WERE MAILED, ALL THE MISSPELLED WORDS, INCOMPLETE SENTENCES, ETC. WERE ON THE ORIGINAL COPY.

James B Olsen
EDITOR

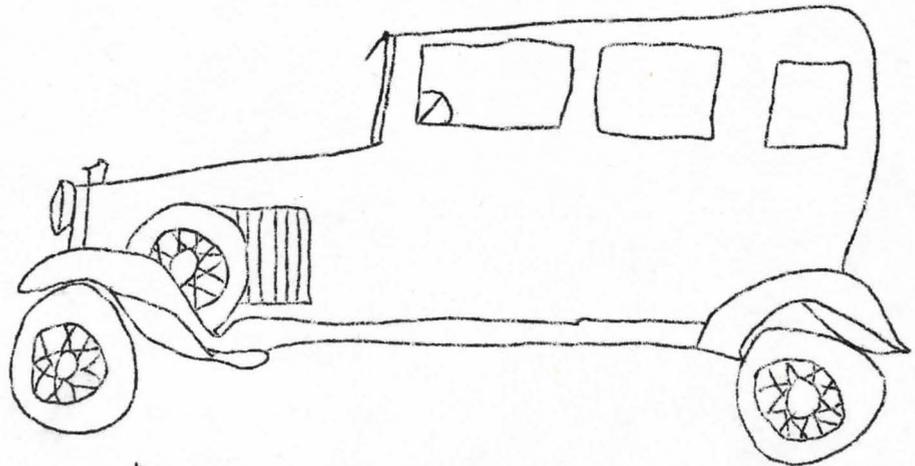
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Editor Ruth Olsen

Reporter Timothy Olsen

DICK FIXES 1930 OLDSMOBILE

Dick's 1930 Oldsmobile, which hasn't been fixed for a long time, is now being fixed by Dick. He is going to put on new running-boards and already has taken a few rides in it. Tim is helping him and they are getting along fine.



Dick's old 1930 Oldsmobile

BOB'S BEAUTIFUL ROOM

Bob has made himself a beautiful room upstairs. Bit by bit he keeps adding to it. It has a dresser with drawers marked "This", "That", and "The Other". He has a four-drawer filing cabinet with drawers marked "Top Secret," "Almost Top Secret," "Fairly Top Secret," and "Bottom Secret." He has a desk with drawers marked "Odds" and "Ends". The other drawers in his desk are marked "Various", "Sundry," "Assorted", and "Miscellaneous." His wastebasket is labeled "Valueable".

MAGAZINES BOUND

Bob has been binding magazines for Dad. They were very well done.

!! NEW DOG !!

Our old dog was put to sleep in April, so we got a new one. His name is Harv. He's $3\frac{1}{4}$ mo. old. He is very playful and has had his distemper shots and worm pill. Dick thought we should name him Harv because he said "Harv, Harv!" He is a good dog, knows his own name, and knows that he shouldn't come into the house when we say "Stay there". He knows that this is home, has a collar and identification tag and is very healthy.

BOB & PAUL "TAKE OFF" FOR 1 WEEK

Bob and Paul each took a little vacation. Bob was up on campus being a counselor for the Luther League Leader-

ship School (Lutheran high-school young people.) Paul was at Scout camp.

DAD RETURNS!!!

Dad, who has been away in Oregon for 8 weeks, is coming home Sat. We will be SO glad to have him home. He got a grant so away he went. (Mother made the bread while he was away.)

BLACKBERRYS

We've had a big crop of blackberrys. They've climbed the trees.

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