

Into You, I Wish I Knew

by Shaggy

What makes you smile,
what gets you blue

Who makes you laugh,
who keeps you true

The things you learned,
the ways you grew

The pain you've felt
all you've been through

What would you strive to build anew
Your wisdom shines through goals you choose

I hope to learn, and love the view
of all the things that make up you.

Field of Friends

by Ron Sanford

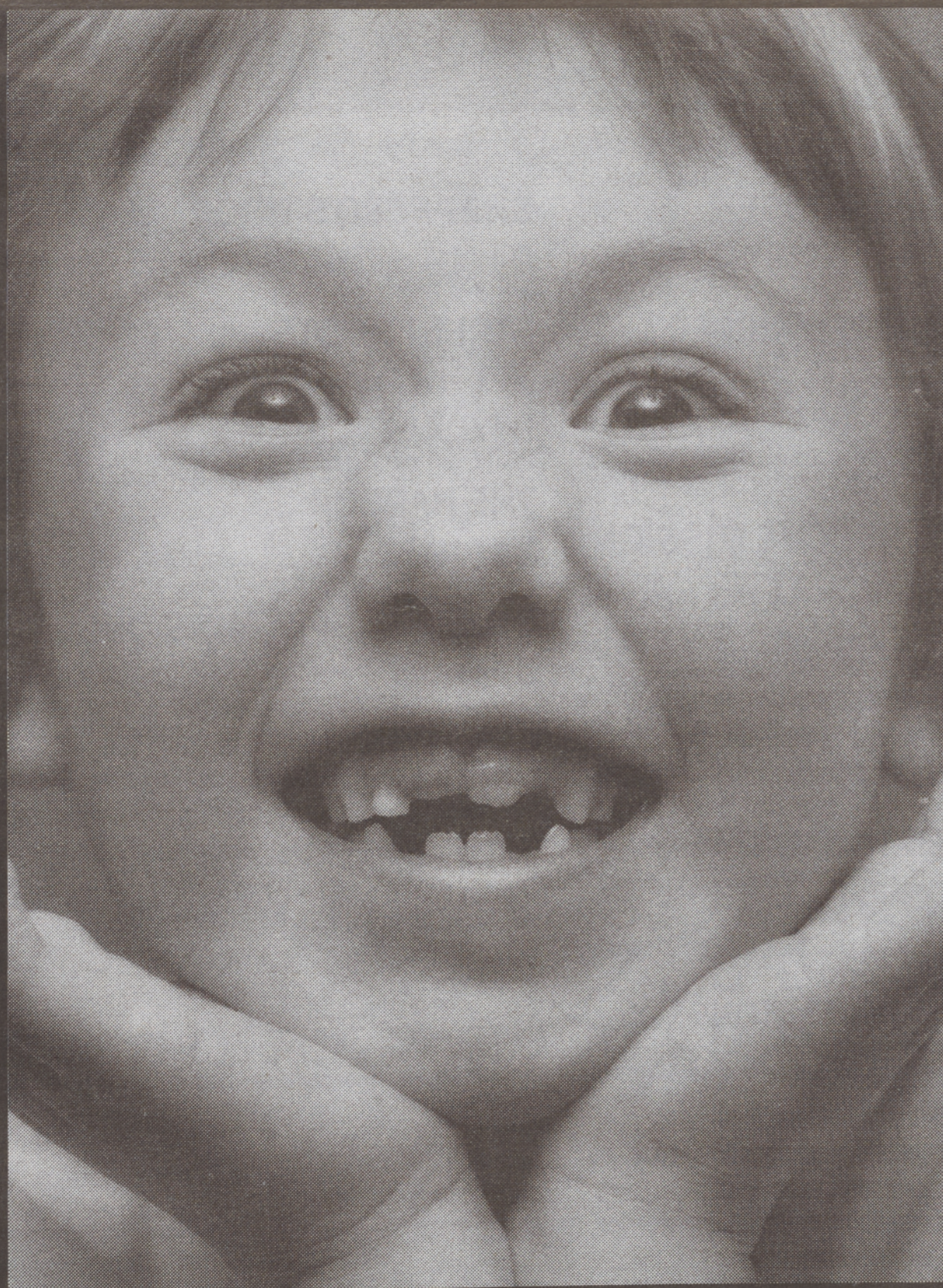
As a child I recall envisioning Northwest America
but a move was far on the horizon
Pictures could at best only mimic the atmosphere—
The pristine air and water envelops the land,
Peppered with trees and wildlife, then the dream faded
I was stuck in a hellhole called Las Vegas, ugh!

So it was so sad, no need for details, crumby motels,
endless vices, 24/7 drinking and drugs, brothels
and gambling artificially imposed with a Wynn family mix
Then I found myself in Oregon at a haggard 40 years of age
The trip was rough, I was almost toast, yet I arrived here
What a joy it is in a kaleidoscope field of friends
An ever-changing landscape which I could never have foreseen

The Way the River Flows

by Maddy Brown-Clark

The way the river flows
Is not into the vast ocean
And now the full moon glows
With shooting stars in motion
In spring the days grow long
I dream of summer songs
The nights still cold and brief
The warm wind brings relief
And home is in the city
The river flows so pretty
With bridges reaching over it
Their streets of steel cover it
With pillars standing oh so high
The river flows just like life.



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