

Grass Valley

(By Mrs. A. F. Balzer)

The young married group of the community and the Baptist church motored to Tygh Valley Sunday where they enjoyed a picnic dinner and visiting at Hunt park. Those going were: Messrs and Mesdames Ivan Blagg and family, Bernard Martin and Deanna, Owen Eakin and family, Bill Todd and family, Jack Horner and family, Vernon Eakin and family, Dick Reckman and family, Elton Eakin and family, A. L. Kintner, Orville Ruggles and Dean, and Joy Baumgartner and Mrs. Paul Herzberg.

Mrs. Eben Kee, Mrs. Art Bibby and Mrs. Herman Peters went to Sandy one day last week for wild blackberries.

Donald von Borstel returned home Sunday from Halfway where he put up his hay crop.

At the reception for Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Schilling Sunday, July 29, at the I.O.O.F. hall when they celebrate their golden wedding there will be a program shortly after 2 o'clock.

Janice Bibby arrived Friday evening from Modesto, Calif., where she spent several weeks visiting her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Ingolf Torvend.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Martin went to Portland Saturday and visited her mother, Mrs. Frank Grubb of Roseburg, at a hospital and then went to the coast for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Balzer had as dinner guests Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Balzer and family of Portland, Mr. and Mrs. Gus Hartmann of Wasco and Mr. and Mrs. Clair Balzer.

Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Eakin and Mrs. Roy Baker of The Dalles were visitors here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Young of Portland brought their children,

Patty and Tommy, to The Dalles where they entered the Mid-Columbia hospital Saturday for tonsilectomy.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Balzer and children, Carol and Annette came Friday evening from Portland to spend the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Balzer.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Kock had as dinner guests Friday evening Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Dunlap, Mrs. Nell Swick, Mrs. Guy Hay-

nes and Mr. and Mrs. Arzell Lemley. After dinner the evening was spent playing cards with Mrs. Haynes holding high score. Mr. and Mrs. Donald Coldfelter had as dinner guests Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Norman Adams of The Dalles and Mr. and Mrs. Clair Adams and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Cox went to Arlington Saturday and spent the week end visiting their son and family Mr. and Mrs. Warren Morgan.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Kelly of Portland came Friday to visit her daughter and family Mr. and Mrs. Willard Rolfe. They all went to Warm Springs Saturday for the day. Mr. and Mrs. Kelly left from there for their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Hadley Stark of Hollydale, Calif., arrived Monday from Astoria to visit relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Hendrickson and son, Bob, and Mrs. Barbara Bateman of Gresham were week end guests of their son,

Bill Hendricksen at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank vonBorstel.

Mrs. William Pausch and Mrs. Kenneth Hattrup went to Portland Monday for a few days. Miss Gladine Hattrup accompanied them to her home in Portland after spending a week with her sister in law, Mrs. K. Hattrup.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Perrigo and daughters came Friday from Leavenworth, Wn., to spend the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank T. Bayer. Linda

stayed to visit with her grand parents.

Mrs. A. A. Dunlap and her sister in law, Mrs. Nell Swick, came home last Tuesday from trip to Philomath, Carlton and Yamhill where they visited relatives and picked blackberries. Mrs. Guy Haynes accompanied them home and spent the rest of the week at the Dunlap home. Mr. Haynes came Sunday and took her home.



From where I sit ... by Joe Marsh

What's So Funny?

Just finished reading a magazine article that "proves" you and I don't know what's funny.

A bunch of psychologists came to this sad conclusion after telling jokes to college students. Very often they would give out with what they considered a side-splitter—and not get even a chuckle in response. Other times the students would laugh their heads off at stories that weren't considered really funny.

Maybe I'm wrong, but what makes a psychologist such a better judge of humor than the rest of

us? If a man gets a kick out of a joke that proves it was funny to him—doesn't it?

From where I sit, when psychologists try to set up a standard for a sense of humor they're getting too serious for me. Stands to reason that different people laugh at different things, just as they have different tastes for most everything. I'm partial to a glass of beer with meals myself—but I promise not to make any "wise-cracks" if you prefer tea.

Joe Marsh

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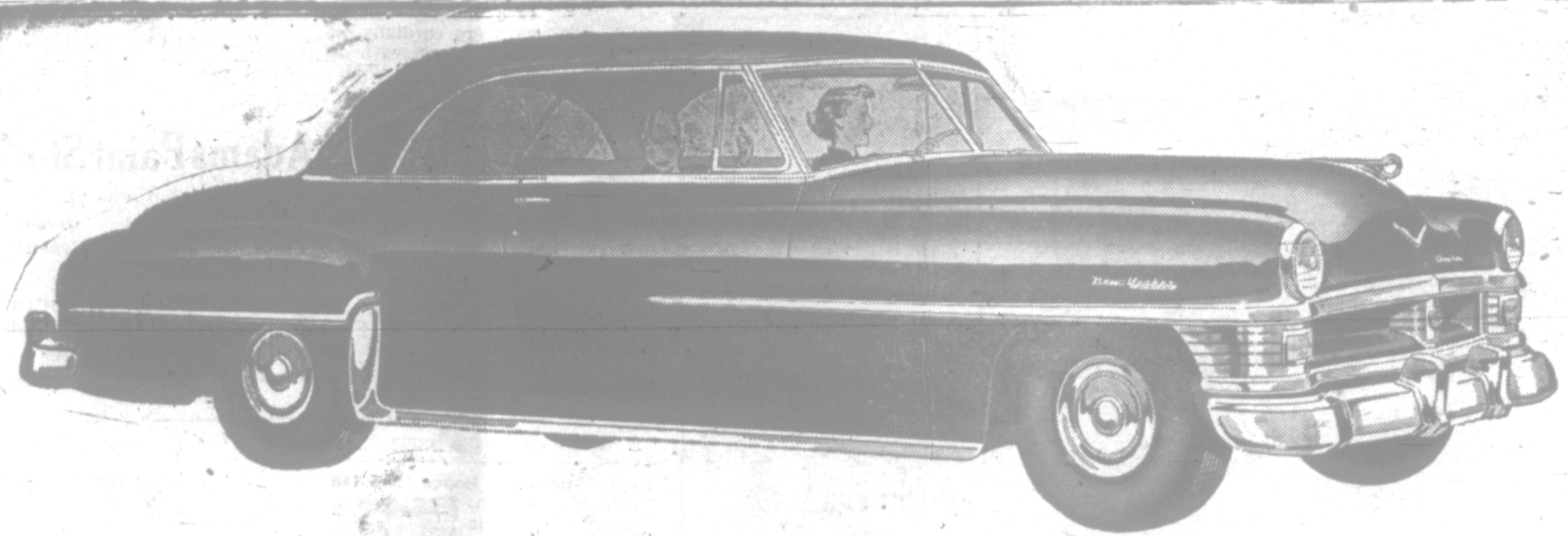
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We have wheat. The visitor at the fair would not always have that impressed upon him unless he looked across the road or the fence and saw stubble. He might have gathered it from some other source, such as riding for miles through wheat fields, cut and drying in the autumn sun, or by seeing the monstrous elevators with perhaps a pile of the grain piled outside.

But right at the fair a visitor might come to the conclusion that this was a cow county, which is its second activity only. He might think we raised sheep for a living when we only grow them for pin money and the shows.

There would be little to inform him that this was normally the second wheat county in state, that the Bureau of Agricultural Economics last year estimated the total crop at 2,965,000 bushels. That there was 1,703,096 bushels of Elgin, 745,401 bushels of Federation, 213,480 bushels of Rex, 160,406 bushels of Orford, 107,333 bushels of Forty-Fold and Golden, 20,459 bushels of the once popular Turkey, and 14,825 bushels of Hard Federation.

There should be hundreds of samples of wheat for natives and visitors to look at and admire; every farmer who has some good wheat should clean 15 pounds of it for exhibition. If a fair is properly a show place for the county's products this county should have bushels and bushels of wheat to exhibit.

We have wheat. Last year almost three million bushels, enough to feed the whole state at two bushels per capita. Wheat for the Japanese the Indians, the Chinamen, the Philippines, wheat for the Oregonians, the Californians, soft wheat for bread and rolls, wheat for the chickens and turkeys and cows and hogs, wheat for beef cattle. Wheat, Wheat, Wheat, acres and section of Wheat.

It spills out of our elevators; it dribbles off our trucks; and is wasted; it piles up in farm storage; it is fed to fat farm animals and shipped all over the world.

The county is a wheat factory wherein the grain is produced with a minimum of labor and a maximum of machinery. The



best of equipment and the best of methods are used and all are studied as carefully as the maker of an airplane or a piece of household merchandise studies his manufacture. There ought to be samples at the fair, dozens, hundreds of them. The county and all its citizens should shout to the world that here is food produced at its maximum efficiency, here a few produce that millions can be fed, here is life giving grain in such abundance that all may feel secure of food.