

Grass Valley

(By Mrs. A. F. Balzer)

Mrs. J. S. Newcomb returned home from Lowell where she spent a week visiting her son in law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Wayland Weld. While Mrs. Herman Schilling of The Dalles visited her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Schilling at Springfield.

Mrs. A. A. Dunlap and Mrs. Herman Peters took the former's sister in law, Mrs. Nell Swick, to Pendleton Friday where she left for her home in Warren, Pa., after spending the summer here with her brother and sister in law the Dunlaps.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Cantrall and children Gene and Sharon drove to Carlton Friday and spent the week end with his sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Kendrick Dunlap.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Peters and sons, Herman and Arden and the Misses Dorothy Wilson and Jackie Horner, drove to Redmond Sunday to attend the fair.

Keith Bayer took his sister, Mrs. Charles Perrigo and daughters to their home in Leavenworth, Wn., Friday after spending a week here.

Mr. and Mrs. Clair Balzer drove to Timberline Sunday and spent the day.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wells of Roseburg arrived Monday to visit her mother, Mrs. T. M. Rolfe.

Mr. and Mrs. Lund of Portland brought Mrs. John Engstrom home last Monday after spending several weeks with them and visiting Mr. and Mrs. Bert Garrison.

Janice Bibby returned home Saturday from The Dalles after spending a week at Seaside with her girl friend, Connie Shimp of The Dalles.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Owens and daughter, Carol Ann and Phyllis Rust went to Portland Wednesday on business also attending the circus before returning home Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Owens had as dinner guests Sunday, August 19 her mother, Mrs. W. D. Barnett and her uncle John Peters and Bill Bardenhagen, honoring her uncle on his birthday anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Hartmann of Wasco spent Sunday visiting her brother in law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Balzer.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Rolfe and family went to Portland Wednesday where they attended the fair at Gresham and also went to the circus returning Sunday.



Lindsay, Laverne and Virginia, trio of high-stepping dancers appearing in the Helene Hughes "Tulip-Time Revue." Along with a complete line-up of outstanding stars, the 14-girl chorus will perform intricate routines in dazzling costumes during nightly stage show at 1951 Oregon State Fair, opening in Salem on Saturday, September 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Cox drove to Rufus Sunday where they met day and spent the day visiting their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Morgan from Arlington and enjoyed a picnic dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Stark and family, Jim McDonald and David Parkhurst drove to Tygh Valley Sunday and spent the day visiting Mr. and Mrs. Willis Brittain.

Mr. and Mrs. James Easter had as overnight guests Saturday her mother, Mrs. George Nuerer and Mr. Nuerer of Portland, they left Sunday for Redmond.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Clodfelter had as overnight guests Friday Miss Margaret Morgan and Mr. and Mrs. Elvie Hollingsworth of Portland.

Mrs. T. M. Rolfe and grandson Donald Wells drove to Bend Friday and spent the day visiting her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Baker.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Olds and son, Robin, returned home Saturday evening from Seaside where they spent several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Olds and son Robin and Mrs. C. R. Andersen were in The Dalles Monday for the day.

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Sherman County Fair Sept. 14-16

Remember the times when queens ruled the Sherman County Fair?

And what a time there was counting the votes—and how pretty the girls looked in their rodeo finery—and that was quite a while ago but we don't think we'll remember how long ago.

We do the same things now except for queens.

The fair board decided to hold but one fair dance this year and to get the best orchestra it possibly could for that event. It will be held at the Legion hall at Wasco Saturday night and

Jimmy WHETMORE will be the orchestra leader. Nearly everyone has heard him on some of his many trips to this county. He plays the kind of music that all like and can dance to whether they learned to trip the light fantastic on the floor of a home-stead cabin or in some dancing school.

There's sure to be a big crowd at Wasco to hear Jimmy Whetmore's music and floor space will be hard to find until late at night or morning although some may want to go home early to be ready for the big day Sunday.

Speaking of dancing, it is odd that the square dance craze hasn't hit Sherman county any more than a glancing blow. Other places it is the rage with clothing designed for it special and couples competing in costumes as well as do-si-doing. Maybe something can be done about that so that next year the fair board can give a prize for the best square dance set on a platform in front of the grandstand. It is more agricultural than a lot of things at some county fairs at that. Anyway if a man keeps up at the square dance speed for a night he's going to

need some agricultural products by morning.

Been a lot of dancing done in Sherman county—and there'll probably be a lot more done by folks who are now dancing in their cradles. Cradles—how long has it been since you saw one? If they follow their elders they'll stay up all night to dance, the homesteaders danced in the parlor and the bed room while the kids slept in the kitchen along side the women who were putting out for the big feed at midnight. They danced to fiddles and leg-tiring organs, to accom-

panions and mouth harps and some times they danced to whistles and to singing, like with that old favorite, the waltz quadrille.

Jimmy Whetmore is also going to play at the fair grounds on both Saturday and Sunday afternoon. That will take care of the music end of that. Besides some small acts, a six or seven race meet, a full scale rodeo, a grand entry, one day a parade, there will be music. That isn't the best of it, either. It will run off at full speed so there will be something to see and hear all the time.