

Grass Valley

(By Mrs. A. F. Balzer)

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Crews and family and her mother, Mrs. Henry Roth of Olympia left Friday on their vacation trip to California. They will stop in San Francisco where Mr. Roth will stay and visit her son in law and daughter. Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Peters and family, Mr. and Mrs. Crews and family will go on to Long Beach to visit his brother, Walker Crews and family and then will come back to San Francisco to visit Mr. and Mrs. Peters before coming home.

Mrs. Echo Vinton of San Francisco, Calif., Mrs. Grace Bourhill and Mrs. James Morrison of Portland visited friends here recently. Miss Janice Bibby returned home last Tuesday from Portland where she spent a week at the beach with friends from Portland.

Mrs. Frank Payne and children of The Dalles are spending this week with Mrs. Alfred Payne while Frank is helping Bonnie Payne with harvest.

A party was held on the lawn at the home of Mrs. C. R. Anderson Sunday evening honoring Mrs. L. S. Logan, who is here visiting from California. A pot luck dinner was served at 6:30 and the evening was spent visit-

ing and talking over old school days. Those present were Messrs. Willard Barnett, Frank Pike, Mrs. Fred Peters and daughter, Mrs. Orville Ruggles, Mrs. Minna Burnell, Miss Laverne of Goldendale, Robin Olds, Larry Smith, Keith Barnett, Dennis Andersen, the honor guest and the hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lillard and daughter left Thursday for their home in Beaverton after spending several weeks here with her brother in law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Orville Ruggles. Her niece Wanda Fischer of Prineville accompanied them home for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank von Borstel received word their son, Frank Jr., who received his master's degree at Massey Agricultural college in Palmerston, New Zealand in April left Australia in May on the ship Morton Bay stopping at Ceylon, Aden, Malta, Italy, Austria, Germany and in Denmark. He attended a meeting of animal husbandry and to England to have his thesis printed in Cambridge, will arrive in New York either Saturday or Sunday on the Queen Elizabeth.

Mr. and Mrs. Amandus von Borstel went to Washougal Sunday where they attended her family reunion.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Norton and children Carol, Ross and Wiley, drove to Tangent Sunday July 20 to attend the golden wedding anniversary of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Ross. They took their grand daughter, Cecilia Norton to her home in Beaverton after spending several weeks here with them.

Mrs. T. M. Rolfe, little Bradley Brockway of The Dalles, Mrs. W. B. Mathews and Mrs. Roy Wells and Rodney Rolfe drove to Friend Sunday and spent the day visiting Mrs. Rolfe's grandson, Everett Dunlap and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Cox and their son and daughter in law, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Morgan and daughter, Vicki of Condon left last Tuesday for Chehalis after receiving word that Mrs. Cox's father, C. H. Auger was killed by a train that morning. Funeral services were held at Chehalis Friday and burial was at Vancouver, Wn. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cox, Mrs. Charles Davis and Mrs. John Rust went to Vancouver for the graveside services.



NEW UNIVERSITY HONORS EINSTEIN . . . Prof. Albert Einstein is presented a special scroll by Hadassah, the women's Zionist organization of American and the American Friends of the Hebrew University to mark the ground-breaking ceremony for the new Hadassah-Hebrew university medical center in Jerusalem. Presenting the scroll is Mrs. David de Soia Pool, former national president of Hadassah, and Dr. George W. Wise, president of the American Friends of the Hebrew university.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank von Borstel attended the American Legion and auxiliary convention held at Klamath Falls last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Dell Olds had as dinner guests Sunday their son in law Marion Crews and Mr. and Mrs. Don Lear from Stevenson, F. M. Crews and Mr. and Mrs. Darwin Van Gilder of Moro. Mrs. Crews returned home with them after spending a week helping her mother during harvest.

Peter MacGillivray and John Scott here from New Zealand spent the week end at Crater lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Ziegler jr. of Heppner spent Sunday visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Ziegler and his aunt Mrs. Helen Olds and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Barnett



ANGLO-EGYPTIAN MEETING . . . Sir Ralph Stevenson, the British ambassador to Egypt (right), is shown with the Egyptian prime minister, Hlaly Pasha, after the British and Egyptian officials conferred on a possible settlement of the Anglo-Egyptian dispute. The talks were described as in the exploratory stage. An Egyptian newspaper reported that England was ready to agree to Egyptian demands on the Sudan and Suez canal disputes, but this was not authenticated.

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This county, being a county that still adheres roughly to a pioneer tradition, doesn't pay a lot of attention to women. The women aren't going to let that continue long, here, or anywhere else. But we're talking about the county fair and it is true that women have had a pretty small part in it until recently anyway.

It all came about naturally. It was men who first walked into this county, coming across the hills from the boat landing at The Dalles or later alighting from the steam trains at Grants and taking off into the rolling hills of a new country looking for a quarter section on which to file their homestead right—their most valuable possession.

Some of them had left women at home and when the dug-out was completed with sod roof and dirt floor they came on to the new home. They insisted upon and probably superintended the construction of homestead cabins with a corner set aside for a parlor. They saw to it that there was a well and certainly their hands planted the thousands of yellow rose bushes and



Virginia creeper that gave the early Sherman county homes their only touch of beauty. Old gardens also show the planting of trees, some rows of blue flags (now called iris) and the prettiest of roses, the native wild one.

Women came later as school teachers. And for years hardly a one of them got away. The demand was too great and they left the job of educating children for the one of raising them. Perhaps these women were our first cultural influence, although the beauty of the eastern sky at dawn, the breathless view of endless grasses and the shining whiteness of western mountains must have softened the hardness of homesteaders before there were school ma'ams.

Until recently women were spectators at the county fair except for a few booths given over

to a display of fancy work and some cooking and canning. Women raised the chickens, took care of the farm house and the huge harvest crews.

Women, however, are not to be denied. They raise colts and calves, ride horses and become queens, exhibit clothing and pictures and hobbies and cakes and are taking a larger part in the fair each year. Outside the fair they've taken over other things and have long maintained clubs that outlast men's, do the most in politics, head the most successful committees.

Girls who do not raise calves and sheep take over the pavilion which is full of their displays. A boy who learns to fatten a calf may wind up as a banker or a bookkeeper; a girl who can cook and sew is fitted for the activity she will likely pursue. There's less lost motion about it.

There are those who wonder about the continuance of county fairs; whether or not they would stop if funds were harder to get. The fact that women are taking a greater part in them is evidence that they will continue. Women don't need nearly so much money for their part of the fair.

We venture the statement that if the women of the county so willed it the fair would go on in spite of a shortage of funds. They

would have a domestic fair and it would be worth seeing—and tasting.

As if a woman should be appointed to the fair board—which isn't a bad idea—there would be displays of children's work at school and outside school, exhibits of children's inventiveness, more of the things that make life more comfortable and fewer of the things that make life more profitable.

So when you're at the Sherman County Fair next September 12-13-14 go into the pavilion;

you will find exhibits on which women have spent hundreds of hours work for a two dollar prize, there will be flowers that are a far cry from the brambly rose bushes with which the first homestead cabins were decorated, and there will be women to politely show you about and understand your snickers of masculine superiority.

And there will be girls about baking cakes and displaying dresses and learning the age old arts of home making.



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