

## Chats With Your Home Agent

By ESTHER KIRMIS

An airmail letter, bearing a Stockholm, Sweden, postmark came to my desk last week. I was delighted to see it was from Mrs. Gene Ferguson, Heppner, who is a former county committeewoman of our extension units.

Fay is one of 19 Northwest women on a tour of Scotland, Ireland, England, and the Scandinavian countries. I'd like to share her letter with you . . .

Dear Esther:  
This is the first time we've had a little free time to write letters. So often we returned late to our hotel and had to do a little laundry or get packed to leave next day.

It's been a wonderful experience. I found Ireland, Scotland, and England much like our country. The trees and flowers are about the same. The towns have parks and flower gardens everywhere. Every house has a flower garden in the front—the "yard"

is in the back where they "put things." Usually a vase of flowers is in the window. Apartment houses with little balconies will have geraniums or other flowers. Such a lovely custom!

I was interested in their reforestation programs in Scotland. They plant the trees close together so they will grow straight as they are used for poles and shoring in the mines.

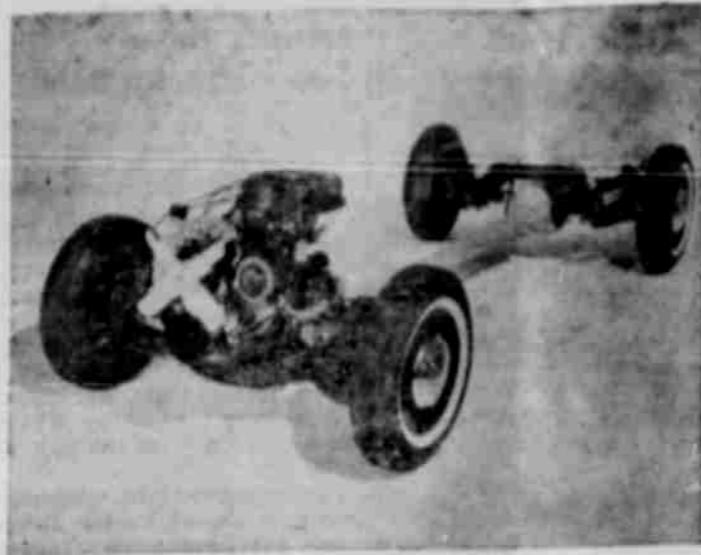
The heather growing on the hillsides was beautiful.

The hay was in small shocks. We thought it was oats, but they called it corn. We saw hay spread over wires to dry it in Norway and other places.

In Norway we had smorgasbord for breakfast! So much food served us—I'm afraid I'll have to buy a new wardrobe.

Saw self-propelled combines. Children had "potato vacation" to pick (2 or 3 days) potatoes in Norway while we were there.

School schedule in Oslo is very broken. Children go at 8:00 a.m. one day and return home at 11:30. Another day they go at 11:30 and return about 2:30. Pity the poor mothers with their school children all on different schedules and they vary from



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## IONE School News

By Evelyn Jepsen

Marking their fifth straight win, October 7, the Ione Cardinals will be the guests of the Helix Grizzlies on Friday, Oct. 14, for their final league game. Last Friday the Cardinals played host to the Ukiah Cougars only

were at Lewiston, Idaho, Sunday on business.

Mrs. Walter Jacobs went to Portland Friday after her husband who has been a patient in the Good Samaritan hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hudson of Portland visited Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hudson Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lindstrom and family were in Portland over the week-end. They visited Mrs. Beulah Lundell who is convalescing at her home at 4405 N.E. 90th following surgery a week ago.

The A.L.C. Women of the Valley Lutheran church held a potluck dinner and bazaar Sunday evening for their families and friends. A freewill offering was taken.

day to day!

We were served partridge at dinner once and lingonberry sauce.

London was rainy but we took a tour, saw London Tower where the crown jewels are kept — but couldn't wait in the queue for half an hour to see them. We did visit Madame Tussauds wax exhibition. The figures are so lifelike it is unbelievable. Princess Margaret is very lovely. I thought Harry Truman looked horrible.

The City Halls are real show places. We were received by the Lord Mayor of Belfast and the Lord Provost of Glasgow (who incidentally is their first lady provost). We joined them at "eleven o'clock" (11 o'clock coffee and cakes).

We visited the American embassy in Oslo.

Today we toured through a china factory. I found it very interesting.

On Friday we fly to Hamburg. Will return October 12 and will try to sort out the things I've seen and places I've been.

Cheerio!  
FAY FERGUSON

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Ferguson are in Seattle visiting their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kelly.

## Ione News

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Holtz and daughters were in Walla Walla Saturday where their daughter Kathy had dental work done. Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Holtz



From where I sit... by Joe Marsh

### Name That Name

Mrs. Wilkens, our kindergarten teacher, told me this one about her first day of class.

"To get acquainted with the new children," she said, "I go around the classroom and ask them to recite their names."

"What's your name?" I asked one little boy. "Freddie," was the reply. "You mean Frederick," I said. "We use only our proper names in class." So when I asked the next little boy what his name was, he stood up proudly and answered, "Boberick, ma'am!"

From where I sit, Bobby re-

minds me of folks who think what's right for one must be right for another. For instance, my neighbor used to scoff at my having a good glass of beer with supper. He believed that only coffee was proper. Truth is, a mealtime beverage, like most other things, is purely a matter of personal preference. When we can respect the other fellow's opinion as well as our own, we'll have passed the first "lesson" in tolerance.

Joe Marsh

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to defeat them. 72. Nice going, boys!  
Returning from the Oregon Press Conference in Eugene this past week-end are Jean Martin, Marilyn Morgan, Michelle and Cheryl Morrison. These girls have much to report as they all gained very valuable information about the newspaper and annual work that will come in handy in the future. While in Eugene they stayed at the New Oregon Motel and attended a college dance on Friday.  
Dallas Shockley, superintendent of Ione Schools was in Salem the first of the week attending the secondary school principal's conference.

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