

## AROUND THE FARM

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It seems as if quite a number of Columbia county folks are considering blueberries as a possible commercial crop. Blueberries may offer some possibilities in that way, as they do well here and picking time would not conflict greatly with any other seasonal work. One thing that we do not know about is the potential markets. No doubt a considerable amount could go into the fresh market and if there is sufficient volume fruit processors may be interested.

George Poysky, Clatskanie, has an acre and a half of mixed varieties put out this spring and says that they will probably put in more. Although we didn't go into the field, it looks good from the roadside.

Roy Engbretson, who lives near Poysky, and has a small planting of blueberries that is older, told us that they really didn't do well until they had been mulched. Like most growers, Roy used sawdust for his mulch. The mulch helps to keep down weeds, hold moisture and protect the roots of the blueberries which are close to the surface. In fact, a year or so after mulching some of the roots hardly can be found in the sawdust. When mulching most any crop, it is important to add nitrogen to prevent the sawdust from tying up soil nitrogen as it breaks down. One hundred pounds of actual nitrogen per acre inch of sawdust applied is needed the first year, fifty pounds the second and twenty-five the third year.

This will supply nitrogen only for the sawdust, so extra needs to be applied for plant growth. Eventually the nitrogen will be returned to the soil as the sawdust decays.

As if the late season didn't add enough problems, George Tarbell, Yankton, found that the two fields of cucumbers that he had planted were not coming very well. Upon examination it was found that much of the seed was being eaten by the corn seed maggot. This little pest, besides working on corn as its name implies, does affect a few other crops. They feed on the seed, causing it to decay and fail to germinate.

No satisfactory control has been worked out for the corn seed maggot, although if its presence is anticipated one of the new soil insecticides might have some effect. Fortunately we find that if a seeding is destroyed by the corn seed maggot, the field usually can be replanted and no further damage will be suffered that year.

George replanted one of his cucumber fields and it is coming along all right, although late like many other things. He told us he was considering planting potatoes in the other field, but if he does he would first apply aldrin to control flea beetle. He felt that the cost would probably not be much different than regular dusting in the long run, and he would be much surer of having clean potatoes.

### Circle Members Meet At Interesting Home

MIST — Mrs. Minnifred Hult and two daughters from Horton are visiting her brother and two sisters here at this time.

The WMS met at the home of Mrs. Kalessee on the Summit last Wednesday. There was a good attendance and a very interesting meeting was enjoyed with Mrs. Duggan, the pastor's wife, as leader of the devotional. Her home is the very unique log cabin at the summit between Mist and Clatskanie. Its a very interesting place. So quiet and restful to the mind and so many old relics, that couldn't be bought this day and age. Missionary will meet the second Wednesday in August at the home of Mrs. Austin Dowling.

### Holiday Event Noted at Natal

NATAL — Guests at the Dee Vere Hershey home on the Fourth were Mr. and Mrs. Hal Vicors and Bessie Hershey of Portland. Mr. and Mrs. Hershey and boys and their guests all enjoyed a picnic dinner.

Robin Hood's real name was Robert Fitzooth.

### Plan Now for Fair Suggested

Now that the Columbia county fair is less than a month away, it is important that anyone planning to exhibit livestock make arrangements to have their animals checked to meet health requirements, reminds Don Coin Walrod, county extension agent.

Cattle owners may wish to have their cattle given shots to prevent shipping fever, while swine growers will want to take precautions against cholera.

Rules of the fair require that all cattle exhibited have individual health certificates and in addition they are to be from disease-free herds. Calves under six months of age, steers and spayed heifers are not required to be tested for tuberculosis.

Paul DeShazer, Warren, livestock superintendent, suggests that requests for stall space be made as soon as possible.

### Trip to Tennessee Completed by Couple

RIVERVIEW — Mr. and Mrs. Leo Violette returned from Tennessee about July 1. The first of the week Mr. and Mrs. Violette and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Poetter spent a couple of days at Port Orford on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Smith of Roseburg visited her brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Fowler, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Dean Crow of Cameron, Texas arrived Monday for a visit with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Violette.

Rev. and Mrs. Ernest Baker of Litchfield, Illinois visited at the Herman Wood home Thursday.

### Condition Serious Due Accident, Complications

BIRKENFELD — Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Mills went to Portland Saturday afternoon to visit Mrs. Mills father, who is still in the hospital. Mr. Keis was injured quite severely about three months ago when hit by a car. His condition at the present writing is grave, complicated by pneumonia.

Mrs. Ted Bellingham took her mother, Mr. A. Lolly, of Vernonia to Portland Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Bellingham and boys and Mr. and Mrs. Ted Bellingham and Monte went to St. Helens and Jantzen Beach to the car races Sunday.

### Portland People Gather For Festivities on 4th

NATAL — Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Wright and David and Virginia Mathews, all of Portland, spent the Fourth here. They and the Mathew families here enjoyed a picnic dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Devine motored to Taylorville last week to visit Mr. and Mrs. Tom Gillespie. Mr. Gillespie is convalescing from his recent illness.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Devine were in Scappoose Monday of last week to visit Mr. Devine's father.

Mrs. E. Kyser and girls were home from Mountindale over the Fourth.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Wolff spent the Fourth in Portland. They were the guests at the Glenki home.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Pugh and family spent the 4th in Hillsboro. Lester Pugh is the owner of a new car.

Mr. Jim Moran and Jerol were at Sunset Beach recently clam digging.

### Display Viewed By Natal People

NATAL — Among those enjoying the fire works in Clatskanie were Mr. and Mrs. Noble Dunlap, Mr. and Mrs. Lawton Waddell and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Devine.

Mrs. Parman called on Mrs. Dunlap Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Oblack and family were in Portland the 4th.

Mr. and Mrs. Ike Dass had as house guests over the Fourth their daughters and families. Gladys Dass remained for a few days visit.

Dick Johnson and Ronda Edger-ton enjoyed the fire works in Clatskanie the 4th.

Buck Garman was a business visitor in Portland recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Kay Taylor and girls spent the Fourth in Hillsboro. They were overnight guests Saturday at the Gene Northrup home in Banks.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Lindsay

of Redmond were recent visitors at the home of his parents, the Robert Lindsays.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Davies of Portland were recent week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Henderson.

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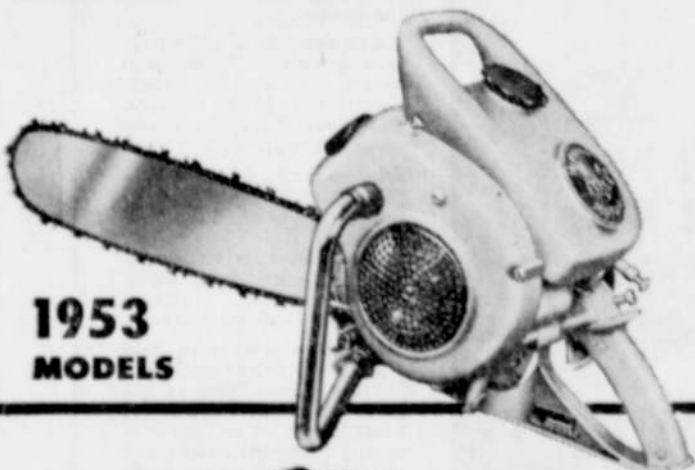
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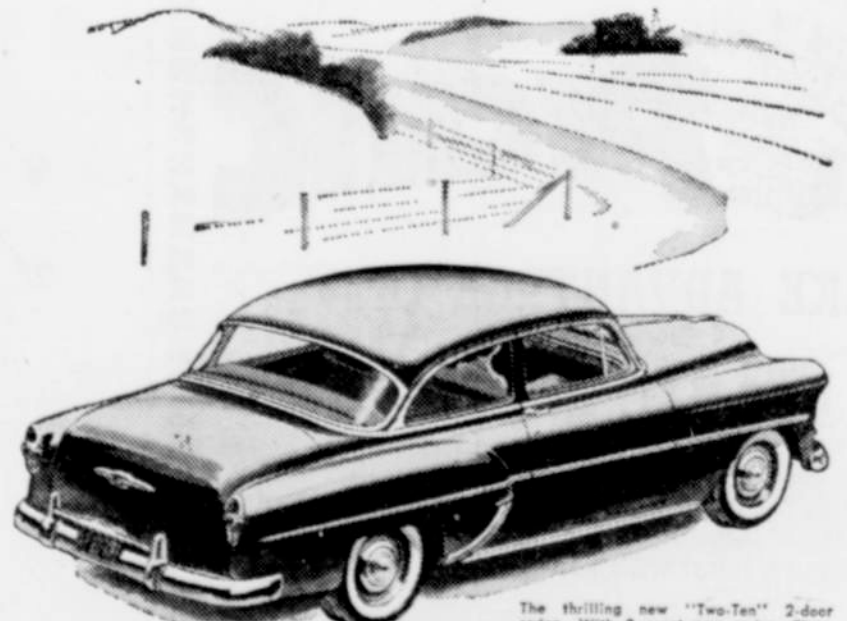
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