

# Aurora and Northern Marion

**AURORA.**

Sam Miller was in Portland on business Monday.

Freddie Giesy and John Kraus were circus visitors in Salem.

Adam Miesler started hop picking Monday.

Tommy Rise, the hop man, was in Aurora this week looking over the situation.

Albert Smith was in Aurora Monday doing some trading.

The Aurora country has an exceptionally fine crop of peaches, pears and plums this season. The apples are not up to the usual mark.

Miss Meredith Stone, of Portland, has been spending a week here as the guest of Miss Marie Schaefer left for her home Sunday.

Jerome Klingler, who has been working here for some time, left for his home Monday.

J. A. Hill is now employed as box tender for Gus Klingler.

Dick Parrott was in Aurora Sunday.

Olson has a new blacksmith now and a good one. He can move quicker and shorter longer than any one else in town. Mr. Rice, however, thoroughly understands his business and is an expert horseshoer.

Charles Schaefer found business that needed his attention at Tualatin the other Sunday and brought the "business" back with him.

Miss Marie Schaefer, Walter Howe, Miss M. Stone and Charlie Schaefer enjoyed a splendid day's outing on the Willamette near Butteville last week.

Gus Klingler is in Portland this week on a business trip.

Messrs. Hill and Hostetter will hold their regular auction sale in Aurora September 13. They have an unusually large number of different articles listed with them this time and the promoters expect a good sale.

Hopping at the yard of H. Blosser started Wednesday. Mr. Blosser reports a good yield this year despite the vermin, mold and other pests. 1500 pounds to the acre is expected from this yard of 7 acres.

Practically all the hop yards in the near country will be filled with pickers by the last of this week.

A. W. Kiel started picking in his yard Wednesday. He figures that the returns this season will be about 1,200 pounds to the acre. He has sprayed parts of the yard two different times, but the mold has been making its appearance already.

The average price paid this season for picking is 50 to 55 cents per box.

Antone Will and C. Zimmerman have finished their yards. The yield was light.

Gez that watermelon feast when those cars were smashed the other day. All the boys and everybody else was filled up that glorious day. It was the S. P. Co.'s treat and nobody stood back.

Mrs. L. Wehert has been picking hops at Mr. Zimmerman's yard and is now at Mr. Krause's.

W. S. Hurst and H. D. Evans, of Aurora, attended the district session of the I. O. G. T. held at Estacada last week. An excursion was made to Cazadero and other points of interest in the locality. Dr. Milligan was the speaker of the day and his discourse was enjoyed by all present. At the next regular meeting of the district lodge to be held in Arleta, in November, a Grand Lodge of Oregon is to be formed. The fifty members present at the Estacada session were taken from Portland in a special car.

Reginald Hurst returned from Nohalem, Tuesday, where he is in company with his folks has been taking a vacation. The rest of the family will remain two weeks longer and enjoy the ocean breezes.

**Council Adopts Charter.**

At the special meeting of the Aurora council held a week ago Tuesday, the new charter was unanimously adopted. This will be subject to the will of the people at the special election to be held the second Tuesday in November. Practically no doubt exists as to the results of this election as nearly all the legal voters of Aurora signed the first initiative petition and all express themselves as thoroughly satisfied with the new charter as it not only remedies many defects of the old one, but in addition allows many privileges and liberties enjoyed by other cities. The new charter is considered as a model of its kind and will easily be all that is required.

Immediately following the special election in November will be the regular election in December.

**Donald on the Boom.**

The town of Donald situated two and one-half miles from Aurora, and on the main line of the Oregon Electric Ry., has been so rapidly and steadily coming to the front that we can already call it a town. This place is located in the midst of one of the most fertile and richest sections of the Willamette Valley and the country surrounding is rapidly becoming known as a splendid fruit producing district. The famous model farm, owned and operated by Francis Fellers, is close here. Mr. Fellers' farm consists of 800 acres of land under a high state of cultivation and is generally known as the finest farm in the valley. Many other splendid farmers and homes lay near here also. Beside the large number of new residences in Donald, there are two hotels, saloon, butcher shop, barber shop, two stores, two livery and feed stables, a brick and the factory, lumber yard, and a 30-acre nursery is being put out by Mr. Walker, of Salem.

Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Burns, a prominent groceryman of Portland, spent Sunday with H. L. Bents and family. An all day's outing was enjoyed, the party going to Giesy Springs in two automobiles where a picnic dinner was spread, returning via Donald. Mr. Burns expressed his pleasure and surprise at the improvements going on in the country around Aurora.

The tendency in the country near Donald is to farm small tracts, planting these to small fruits and orchard.

The Aurora State Bank receives daily about \$2500 to \$3000 in specie on account of the hop picking industry at present in full blast here.

Chas. Schulz, of Vancouver, was visiting friends in Aurora this week.

G. J. Burns, who was visiting here this week, has recently disposed of his property in Portland and is now on the look-out for a country location.

A. H. Giesy will start his hop pickers the first part of next week.

W. H. R. Phillips recently purchased of L. H. J. Eliens eight acres of the old Roppel place, paying \$100 an acre. He will build and make his home there.

Glen Hurst, Ed Yoder and the two Oglebys returned Tuesday from the huckleberry patch. The boys secured about ten gallons of berries.

George Hardnick of the Columbia River is visiting at Butteville this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Ryan, of Butteville, were in Portland this week on account of the illness of their niece, Mrs. George Knight of Hubbard, who is in a hospital for treatment.

Clarence Kermitte was nearly drowned at Butteville recently. Fortunately Riley Schaefer was able to rescue him before unconsciousness overtook him.

Mrs. William Ryan is expecting a visit in the near future from her parents, who reside at Grass Valley, in Sherman County.

J. S. Vandeleur and party enjoyed quite an outing last Sunday. Jack took the party up river for the day, afterward leaving the boat and walking to Choppensh to take the car home, but arrived too late and was forced to return afoot. The party was located by Mr. and Mrs. Ryan and brought home in good time. Jack in the "Candy Kid" when it comes to showing the girls around, and he displayed his best form Sunday.

David Kiels' new residence is fast nearing completion.

Miss Fannie Eberhard has left for Seattle to see the big show.

Frank L. Miller and Miss Effie Ainge, the latter of Hannibal, Mo., are visiting Mr. Miller's folks here. A trip to Portland was taken Sunday where the party took a look at the Oaks, City Park, Council Crest and other places of interest.

**OWLS THAT CATCH FOWLS.**

Poe's raven left it with a great owl glaring at you from the bedpost and letting out its awful shriek as you waken from heavy slumber.

Imagine, then, a rooster's sensations when such a monster sails into the coop with searchlights in full play.

But Biddy's burglar alarm isn't often set off by the great horned and barred owls.



THE GREAT HORNED OWL.

owls, for these poultry thieves are scarce since traps and guns are plentiful and forests are no more.

The great horned owl reaches two feet in length, five feet across the wings and in color is a mixture of black, brown, gray and white, with barred breast, yellow eyes, black claws and bill.

It often lays in January, its two white eggs being found in a hollow tree or some deserted nest.

The barred owl is about the same size, in color a mixture of brown, buff and white, with yellow bill, brownish



THE BARRED OWL.

black eyes, and lays and nests the same. Its name is derived from its bars.

Does it pay to shoot these owls? Of the crops of 110 barned owls only thirty-one contained poultry and game. Of the crops of eighty-five barred owls but five contained traces of the same.

The contents consisted mostly of mice, moles, rats, sparrows, muskrats, frogs, insects and last, but not least, skunks.

**FEATHERS AND EGGSHELLS.**

Our English "korens" have an idea that the more comb a hen has the more eggs she will lay. Their chickens, therefore, wear such merry widow headgear that they cannot hold up their heads. When a hen gets "ridly" comb, it is sliced off and the bleeding is stopped with a red hot iron. Rather a medi-evil, bloody hard business.

One of the first stunts some perform after being in the business for a season is to write a look on "How to Make Poultry Pay." They remind us of the foreigners who cross the pond and back again and around the world with their "impressions of America."

Hazleton (Pa.) merchants have made up a deadbeat list with 800 names on the roll.

Poultrymen in general demand cash in advance for stock and eggs for hatching; thus they always have the money before the customer gets the goods. This gives in opportunity for a skin game, and, sorry to say, some skin their customers alive.

The poultry journals are trying to devise some scheme to catch the swindling advertisers. It's about time they draw the line on hinted money.

When your chickens gradually get out of condition and lose the use of their limbs it is often a case of lead poison. Paint fims will cause it. Bullets swallowed in mistake for grit or sent through the system.

A friend, instead of a spring gun, has rigged up his plant with railroad torpedoes. One of these exploding at night, he roused out and tripped over the big skunk that had tripped over the string that had fired the signal gun. The second explosion was louder than the first.

Keep a continual lookout for the long lice that populate the necks and heads of chicks. They are responsible for dwarfed stock and many failures.

The largest Easter egg on record was made in London. It was eighteen feet in circumference and was composed of half a ton of candy, a dandy for boys to have handy.

Remember the five important signs in poultry success—grains, grit, greens, ground bone and gumption.

**RHEUMATIC FOLKS.**

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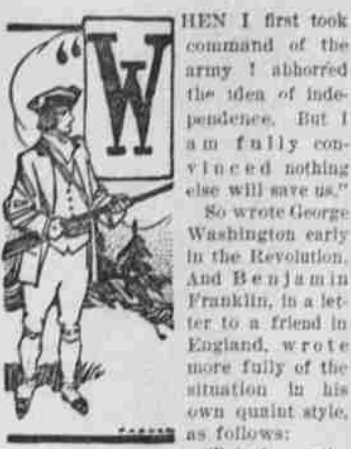
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## The Wars of Our Country

### IX.—The Revolution. Declaration and Defeat.

By Albert Payson Terhune



WHEN I first took command of the army I abhorred the idea of independence. But I am fully convinced nothing else will save us."

So wrote George Washington early in the Revolution. And Benjamin Franklin, in a letter to a friend in England, wrote more fully of the situation in his own quaint style, as follows:

"Britain, at the expense of \$15,000,000, has killed 150 Yankees in this campaign, which is \$100,000 a head. At Bunker Hill she gained a mile of ground, half of which she lost again. During the same time 60,000 children have been born in America. From these data calculate the time and expense to kill us all and conquer our whole territory."

In spite of this, Franklin and one other else knew the colonies were confronted with what seemed an impossible task. Here was the situation in a nutshell: England had almost inexhaustible wealth and unlimited credit. America was practically penniless and had no credit at all. And war is the most costly occupation ever devised. England, after Bunker Hill, resolved to crush the colonists at any cost and sent 16,000 Hessians, mercenary troops, and about 35,000 British soldiers and sailors for the purpose. It was the largest force England ever sent across seas until the Boer war of 1900. America intended to fight merely for its rights and could muster barely 15,000 armed men. Most of these had no uniforms or adequate weapons. England's troops, many of them, were seasoned veterans. The only military experience any of the Americans had had was in frontier warfare with French and Indians. Moreover, the colonies were not as closely united as they should have been. Thousands of the colonists felt no interest in the war and would neither fight nor contribute money. Thousands more were loyal to England and took up arms against their own countrymen. These were known as Tories. All this was terribly discouraging to the patriots. Wise men shook their heads and saw no possibility of success for the Revolution. Washington thought otherwise, and enough brave men agreed with him to make it possible to carry on the fight. In any case they had gone too far to draw back.

For the first few months after Washington took charge of the army success attended America's arms. Though much of the fighting was about Boston, the British made an unsuccessful attack on Charleston, S. C., and the colonists made a somewhat more successful raid into Canada. The Canadians had refused to join in the Revolution, so it was decided by Washington to capture the whole country in order that England might not use it as a base of operations. Benedict Arnold and Ethan Allen stormed Ticonderoga and Crown Point, and General Montgomery marched into Canada. Montgomery took St. John's, the first fort within the Canadian border, then pushed on and on Nov. 13 captured Montreal and turned from there toward Quebec. On his way thither he was joined by Colonel Benedict Arnold, who, with 700 men, had made one of the most daring and perilous marches on record, from Cambridge through the snow-covered forest to the St. Lawrence, and had appeared unexpectedly before Quebec, calling on the city to surrender. Lack of men, clothes and provisions forced Arnold to wait for the death of Montgomery. The two besieged Quebec and at last, on Dec. 31, tried to carry its walls by assault. But Montgomery was killed in the attack. Arnold was wounded and the half frozen, ill armed patriot army driven back. A later attack also failed, and in a few months the Americans were driven out of Canada.

On July 4, 1776, congress adopted the Declaration of Independence and the thirteen colonies became the United States of America. Copies of the Declaration were sent to every state. Washington caused it to be read to every brigade in the army.

But it is one thing to declare oneself free and quite another thing to prove it, and so America found, for following on the heels of the Declaration came an almost unbroken series of defeats that plunged the whole country into gloom.

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