

Centennial Near at Aurora

Wealth Shared By Colonists In Early Days

By Mrs. Ralph Bath Valley Correspondent

AURORA—In the spring of 1856 Aurora, or Aurora Mills as it was then called, came into being.

Dr. Keil was born in Prussia in 1812. He learned the trade of tailoring in Germany, married and came to New York City where he opened a merchant tailoring shop and prospered.

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While engaged in his tailoring shop in New York he took daily lessons from a preacher in the Bible and also in preaching.

In his four years in New York, he built up a following which was also interested in the Christian communist movement.

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Aurora Hotel Was Famous for Food



AURORA—Famous throughout the Oregon country of a century ago was this hotel at Aurora where history records, trains stopped to give passengers a chance to eat at tables "groaning from the weight of fine food."

Colony Was Always Famous for Its Bands



AURORA—Throughout the existence of the Aurora colony and for many years thereafter, Aurora was noted for its fine bands. For many years an Aurora band played at the State Fair.

Started It All

AURORA—Dr. William Keil, born in Prussia, was dynamic leader of Aurora colony, established in 1856. Colony was dissolved following his death in 1877, ending fascinating chapter of Oregon history.

frame work, one end of the rope about one man's waist, and the other end attached to the second man. It took them two years working every day except Sunday to complete the work.

More Wagons Came While the church was under construction, two more wagon trains arrived from Missouri and each time there were days of feasting and merry-making.

Noting Was Wasted AURORA—In a colony life, there was no skimping, but neither was anything wasted. Everyone worked. Everything was well planned, thanks to the leader. Each shop had its foreman and general supervisor.

Brown Clan Meets Today At Sheridan

SHERIDAN—Annual reunion picnic of the James Henry Brown clan, pioneer family in the area, will be held Sunday in the Sheridan City Park.

The Sheridan pioneer was born in Washington County, Virginia, Nov. 19, 1796. He was married to Sophia Hussey in Illinois. They made the trip to the Oregon country from Illinois with two covered wagons, six yoke oxen, light wagon, span of horses. One of their children was only two weeks old.

In 1831 the family took a donation land claim east of Willamina where they were engaged in general farming and livestock raising.

Teutsch Heads GOP in Yamhill MCMINVILLE—Thomas L. Teutsch, McMinnville insurance man, has been elected chairman of the Yamhill County Republican Central committee.

Silverton Rebekahs Set Surprise Program SILVERTON—A surprise program at Tryphena Rebekah Lodge is being planned for July 19 by Mrs. Walter Larsen, good of the order chairman.

Willamina Rebekahs Gain New Member WILLAMINA—Mrs. Ardith Johnson was initiated at the July 3 meeting of Primrose Rebekah Lodge.

Sisters Deliver Brother's Papers In Rapid Fashion LEAVENWORTH, Kan. (U. P.)—Allen Kumm's paper route never had it so good.

Salem Obituaries George Elmer Amundson Late resident of 225 Pringle Rd., at a hospital in Alexandria, Va., July 4th survived by his wife, Mrs. J. Amundson of Salem.

Neveda Gambling Houses Face Cheating Charges CARSON CITY, Nev. (U. P.)—The State says it has caught six small northern Nevada gambling houses cheating at cards.

Rubber Disease Feared COLOMBO, Ceylon (U. P.)—Rubber planting circles are alarmed at reports from major Ceylon planting areas that a new disease called phytophthora is spreading.

Valley Births SILVERTON—To Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Schapp, Silverton, a son, July 1, at the Silverton Hospital.

Cross-Country Cortage AURORA—Dr. Keil, leader of the Aurora colony, had promised his oldest son, Willie, that he would not leave him behind in Missouri.

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