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THURSDAY, DECEMBER, 25, 1913.

A Song of Christmas

TWINE the bittersweet and holly
Arched above the hearthstone's
glow.
Joy, not melancholy,
Come, drifting with the snow.
In each face the frost's a-tingle,
And afar on flying wing
Comes the sleighbell's rhythmic flange
Through December journeying.

Set the board and ask the blessing
For the bounty amply spread,
In the simplest words-expressing
What a loving Father said—
"Peace on earth"—for this is nearest
When the snows with us abide
And the winter air is clearest
In the hush of Christmastide.



HIS REINDEER STEEDS ARE PRANCING.

Bring the old musician's fiddle,
Relic of the bygone days,
Send the fairest down the middle
While the lifting music sways.
Light of foot and quick of laughter,
Swing the dancers, toe and heel,
As they pass or follow after
In the quaint Virginia reel.

Make a welcome for the stranger
Should his footstep cross the door,
By the memory of the manger
And the Christ that was of yore
Gather children's faces round you,
As he gathered them long since,
If it be the years have crowned you
With their radiance divine.

Deck the tree and light the candles,
Let the stockings all be hung,
For a saint with furry sandals
O'er the housetops high has swung,
And his reindeer steeds are prancing
Through the star-bespangled glime,
And the moonbeams pale are glancing
In the merry Christmas time.
—Ernest McTaffey.

The Best Known Christmas Poem.
"Twas the Night Before Christmas"
—those delightful verses that will
charm both the old and young as long
as there are stockings to be hung—was
written ninety-one years ago, just be-
fore the holiday season, by Clement
Clark Moore, then professor of orien-
tal languages in the New York Theo-
logical seminary. It has become an
American classic, and no Christmas
day is complete without a reading of
this charming little lyric that has lived
and gladdened the Christmastide for
nearly 100 years.

AURORA, a city of 500 people, is lo-
cated in the heart of the Willamette
Valley, on the main line of the Southern
Pacific railroad, in Marion County, Ore-
gon, 28 miles south of Portland and 25
miles from Salem, the State capital.

The climate here is neither very hot
in summer nor very cold in winter.
Heat prostrations are unknown and win-
ter temperatures rarely fall to 20 de-
grees above zero. Winter is the season
of rains rather than cold and snow.
There are no blizzards, no tornadoes, no
earthquakes. High winds, hail storms,
etc., rarely occur. In general the cli-
mate is healthful and delightful, the
absence of extremes being its notable
characteristic.

The chief industries of this section are
hop growing, farming, dairying, stock
raising. The chief products are hops,
potatoes, onions, grain, butter, eggs
and poultry.

We need more farmers, dairymen,
gardeners, orchardists, poultrymen,
swine breeders and stock growers. All
of these industries are capable of indef-
inite expansion. We need more settlers
to occupy portions of the big holdings
which should be broken up into smaller
tracts and developed into income pro-
ducing farms.

Transportation facilities are good.
New electric lines are building. Roads
will be rapidly improved. Five rural
mail routes center at Aurora. Rural
telephone lines cover the country.
There is no isolated farming country
tributary to Aurora. Banking facilities
are first-class, and money for agricul-

ORDINANCE NO. 94.

Entitled an ordinance for laying a
tax on all real and personal prop-
erty in the City of Aurora, Or.
The People of the City of Aurora do
ordain as follows:

That a (4) four mill tax be and is
hereby levied on all real and personal
property within the corporate limits
of the City of Aurora, as shown by
the assessment roll of Marion County
for the year of 1913.

Passed and approved by the com-
mon council of the City of Aurora on
this 2nd day of Dec, 1913.

GEO. W. FRY, J. W. SADLER,
Recorder. Mayor.

FINAL NOTICE OF ADMINIS- TRATOR.

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:
Notice is hereby given that the un-
dersigned, administrator of the estate
of Wilhelm Flahmig, deceased, has
this day filed his final account in said
estate, and that the Honorable County
Court of Marion County, Oregon, has
fixed and appointed Monday, January
19, 1914, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m.
of said day, at the County Court House
in said County and State, as the time
and place for hearing any objections
to such final account, and for the
settlement thereof.

(Signed) CHRIS ZIMMERMAN,
Administrator of the Estate of Wil-
helm Flahmig, Deceased.
Dated this 16th day of December, 1913.
CAREY F. MARTIN, and
ADAM J. MISHLER,
Attorneys for Estate.
First publication December 18, 1913.

NOTICE OF STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING.

The Regular Annual Meeting of the
stockholders of the Aurora State Bank
will be held in the office of the Bank
in the Aurora State Bank Building on
Tuesday, January 13, 1914, at the hour
of 4:00 p. m. At this meeting there
will be chosen from among the stock-
holders seven directors who will serve
for the ensuing year.

Such other business will be trans-
acted as may ordinarily come before
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WEBB MOULDER,
Secretary.

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new school, two churches, a band, sev-
eral fraternal orders, fine public hall,
physician, attorney, etc. There are
good openings for a creamery, produce
merchant, harness shop, furniture store,
nurseryman, cider and vinegar mill and
a building and loan association.

The section centering at Aurora pre-
sents unlimited opportunities to the
home-seeking settler and the home-
making developer of the land's re-
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Holiday Season will find you possessed of the most efficient equip-
ment for Christmas purchasing.

*Not the only time we wish you well
But one of the many, many times—
MERRY CHRISTMAS!*

The spirit of this 1913th Christmastime prompts us to express
our appreciation to the community collectively and to each of our
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