

GEORGE M. FRY DEAD

George M. Fry, aged 76 years, died Sunday at his home in Hubbard. The funeral services were held there Tuesday afternoon, Rev. F. C. Butler conducting the ceremony. Interment took place in the Hubbard cemetery. The burial rites of the I. O. O. F. were read at the grave side.

Mr. Fry is survived by his widow, Caroline; a son, Frank Fry; and a daughter, Mrs. Sarah Hinke; as well as a sister, Margaret Fry of Aurora; and two brothers, John Fry of The Dalles, and Henry Fry of Hubbard.

George M. Fry, the deceased, came to Oregon in 1863, crossing the plains in the same ox train as W. M. Miley, Chris Zimmerman, George Kraus, David Steinbach, Henry Kocher, George Wolfer, Ben Wolfer, William Wolfer and David Wolfer, all at one time members of the Aurora colony.

They settled at Aurora, where Mr. Fry lived until about 1881, when he moved to Hubbard, where he was in the jewelry business for many years. While at Bethel, Mo., he was a member of the Missouri militia during the first years of the Civil war—in the same company with W. M. Miley and David Steinbach. He was a member of the I. O. O. F. and was granted the jewel of Veteran Odd Fellow, after 25 years of active membership.

A large number of Aurora relatives and friends went to Hubbard to attend the funeral services.

CLUB CARD PARTY

The card party given by the Women's Club last week for the Scholarship Loan fund of the State Federation, was a success from a social point of view, due largely to the untiring efforts of the club president, Mrs. Ernest Piper, and of the vice president, Mrs. W. W. Irvin, together with the skillful plans of the hostess, Mrs. Otto Blosser and Mrs. Diana Snyder. The prizes were won by Mrs. Brophy of Salem, and Mr. J. F. Ohlert. The next regular club meeting will be held February 7, with Mrs. W. H. Ehlen as hostess.

JOINT INSTALLATION

The Aurora lodge of Odd Fellows and the Rebekah lodge held a joint installation Thursday night at the I. O. O. F. hall, the ceremonies being followed by a banquet at the Aurora hotel.

Mrs. Lela Tucker, district deputy president, acted as installing officer for the Rebekahs and the following were duly installed in office:

Noble grand—Mrs. M. E. Phillips. Vice grand—Miss Elsie Kinyon. Secretary—Mrs. Jesse Gray. Treasurer—Mrs. Katherine Zimmerman.

Conductor—Miss Mary Klingl. Warden—Mrs. Rosy Damm. Inside guardian—Mrs. Lena Ehlen. Outside guardian—Mrs. Lydia Klingler.

Right supporter N. G.—Mrs. Sarah Jesse. Left supporter N. G.—Mrs. Anna Brewer.

Right supporter V. G.—Mrs. Lela Tucker. Left supporter V. G.—Mrs. Cora Adams.

Drill Master—Phil T. Tucker. The District Deputy Grand Master, Will Heinz, installed the following officers of the Odd Fellows:

Noble grand—Abe Hepler. Vice grand—H. D. Harms. Secretary—Phil Weigand. Treasurer—George A. Ehlen. Warden—M. E. Phillips. Conductor—O. G. Morris. Inner guard—C. H. Smith. Outer Guard—Clarence Collins. R. S. N. G.—A. J. Zimmerman. L. S. N. G.—Walter Lomour. R. S. V. G.—George Gray. L. S. V. G.—James Lamour. R. S. S.—D. C. Harms. L. S. S.—Joe Gibson. Chaplain—Will Heinz.

One of the terms of the will of the late Katherine Schuele, the sum of \$600 has been deposited with Fritz Kirchhoff, German consul at Portland, to be turned over to Mrs. Katchen Teiber, a resident of Germany, who was made a beneficiary of the will. The payment has been made by George Schuele, executor of the will, who has filed his final report with the court and the estate has been closed.

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CHRISTIAN KOCHER PASSES

Christian Kocher died Monday evening about 9:30 o'clock at his home east of Aurora, after a long illness. The funeral was held yesterday at the residence at 11 a.m. and the burial took place at the Aurora cemetery, the Odd Fellows and the Woodmen conducting the impressive ceremonies of their orders at the grave. The funeral service was read by the Rev. F. C. Butler of Hubbard.

Mr. Kocher is survived by his widow, Laura Kocher, two daughters, Mrs. Ray Fish and Mrs. Dan Hepler; and three sons, Ralph, Earl and Eldon Kocher. He is also survived by two sisters, Sophia and Christina Kocher and two brothers, Andrew and Henry Kocher, of Canby.

He came to Oregon about 1865, at the age of 18, and has lived ever since in this vicinity, where he has been a successful farmer. He has lived a useful life and passes away highly respected and sincerely mourned by all who knew him. He was a good citizen, honest and true, faithful to his friends and true to his ideals.

MERIDIAN

Mr. and Mrs. Elbert France have set up housekeeping in their log house in the Pratt pasture. Mrs. France was quite sick Friday.

Albert Pratt has a contract to furnish forty cords of wood to the Hubbard creamery.

Clarence Stuart and company are sawing wood for Grant Plantz. Mr. Ganseder was here last week from Portland.

Mat Bonn has been quite sick the past week with an attack of la grippe.

Miss Elnoira Pratt has been quite sick with an attack of la grippe.

Martin Olsen was here last week doing some work on his ranch.

C. E. Watts and Albert Pratt took a trip to Monitor last Wednesday.

Ross Hilliard visited C. E. Watts last Sunday.

The writer received a letter from one of his old neighbors back in New Hampshire, a few days ago, in which he gave the weight of a pig, dressed the latter part of December, at the age of 12 months, weight April 22, last, 204 pounds; dressed, 568 pounds. Can anyone in Oregon beat it?

JOHN McNEIL BURIED

John McNeil, veteran printer and newspaper man, died Wednesday, January 17, at the home of his brother, James McNeil, of Willamette, after several months' illness. Funeral services were held Friday forenoon at St. John's Catholic church at Oregon City. A number of friends from this city attended the solemn and impressive ceremonies that constitute the funeral rites of the church.

Two brothers, Hugh and James McNeil, the former of Albany, Oregon, were at his bedside when he died. A sister, Mrs. P. J. Cooney, of New Hampton, Iowa, and two other brothers, Daniel E. McNeil of Monroe, Oregon, and Frank McNeil of St. Paul, Minn., survive him.

John McNeil was born 53 years ago in Hudson, New York. While a young man he moved to Iowa, where he learned his trade, at Lawler. He worked on the Decorah Journal, and on a paper at La Mars, Iowa. He held a responsible position in the Iowa state printing office for several years, and later became a representative of the East Lithograph Co., of St. Louis. Going back to the newspaper business, he bought the Del Mont (South Dakota) Record.

The last five years he was employed on the Observer of this city, until his health failed in June, 1916.

During his residence in this city he made many warm friends, who sincerely mourn his loss, and who extend their heartfelt sympathy to his bereaved relatives.

John McNeil was a man of the highest integrity, broad minded and frank and out spoken; generous and ever ready to aid a friend; true to his ideals, and respected by all who knew him.

THE INSURANCE BILLS

The Board of directors of the Eastern Fire Relief Association, of Butteville, went to Salem Tuesday to appear before the committee who have the insurance bills in charge to protest against the objectionable provisions of the bills that effect mutual insurance companies.

The chief provision to which mutual companies object is that requiring an excessive reserve fund. It appears that the interests of the mutual companies often conflict, and that the latter never leave any effort unmade to hamper the expansion of the mutuals which have saved such enormous sums to the people of this state.

The best serial ever brought to Aurora is being shown at the Aurora Theatre, near the Telephone office on Liberty Street. It is "LIBERTY" one of the greatest photo plays produced, now being shown in a small town for the first time. Don't fail to see it every Sunday night.

NOT A FORD STORY

Who but Bill Uppendahl would tell this story on the Aurora residents who went to Portland shopping the other day? In that city it is required that drivers of automobiles turning street corners extend a hand, indicating the direction in which they intend to turn.

The Aurora man, a fine citizen of the old school, but unfamiliar stood on a prominent corner with modern traffic regulations, stood on a prominent corner. A car drove up, traveling at a slow rate of speed, and a woman extended her hand.

The man from Aurora, though rather surprised, grasped the lady's hand and shook it heartily before the astonished lady could recover it. To this hour he considers the Portland women the most cordial on earth. What the lady thinks is not recorded.

"THE GRIP OF EVIL"

The "Grip of Evil," a powerful photoplay serial, will be shown at Simkins Theatre Sunday night.

This is a serial of the first order, some of the greatest of the movie artists having been engaged in its production. It is still being shown in the best theatres of the large cities. Don't fail to see the first episode. Good comedy reels will also be shown, making six reels every Sunday night. No show on Wednesday nights. Prices 5 and 10 cents.

SOME LOAD

Elmer Zimmerman, taking advantage of the psychological moment when Western Hope Lodge of the Rebekahs had just adjourned, invited the crown (and then some) to load themselves into his hayrack and proceed to the big sale at the Sadler & Kraus store, to complete for the prize for the biggest load of bacon brought to the store during the sale. Twenty-five ladies accepted his invitation to aid him in taking home the "bacon."

BASKET BALL

The Aurora and Hubbard High school basket ball teams played a good game Friday night at the Band hall. The score stood 7 to 5 in favor of Aurora.

The Aurora girls played the Aurora boys, after the Aurora-Hubbard game, in which the girls did some excellent playing.

Other games will follow, but no dates have been yet fixed.

The Aurora Observer and the Portland Telegram, both one year for \$4.25. Send the Observer your order.

BARGAIN DAY OFFER

Until Saturday February 4, 1917, we will send the Daily Oregonian and the Aurora Observer both one year for \$5.25; or the Daily and Sunday Oregonian and the Observer, all three one year for \$7.25.

Send us your order NOW and your Oregonian will start January 29, 1917 and will expire February 4, 1918. If you are all ready a subscriber to the Observer, your subscription will be extended one year. This offer is good only during the Bargain Day Week from January 29, to February 4, 1917, but by sending your order at once you will receive the Oregonian a week more than a year. No subscription taken for less than a year, but they will be accepted for any number of years at the above reduced rates. Tell your friends how to get these papers at these low rates, and send your own order at once to

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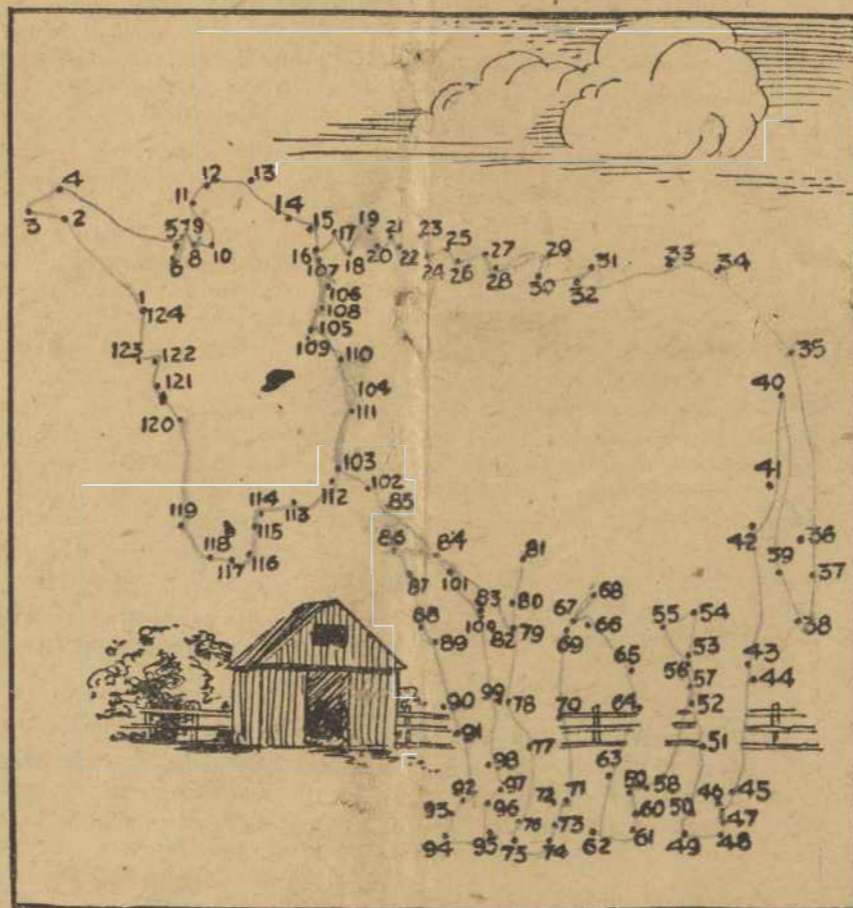
HATS and CAPS

Merchandise of all kinds cost more and more as the weeks go by, but we are still selling our stock of Men's and Boy's Hats at the same attractive prices that have drawn many discriminating buyers of hats to our store. Our line of hats and caps for men and boys is complete, up-to-date, in styles to suit the exacting, at prices that few stores can equal in these days of mounting prices.

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THAT was a funny looking animal you drew the last time, wasn't it, children? The giraffe is the tallest of the living animals. Probably you didn't think you'd ever finish drawing his neck. Why has he such a long neck, you ask? Because he is obliged to get his food from trees. He can reach the topmost branches of many of the trees in Africa. By starting again at No. 1 and connecting with numbers 2, 3, 4, etc., your pencil will draw a queer looking beast.

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These boy's shoes are made from plump over weight upper stock with two full soles. The stitching is of extra strong linen and silk thread. The shapes are so designed that every degree of comfort have been provided for in the make up of this most excellent line of boy's shoes.

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