

OUR BOYS WITH THE COLORS

News Letters, and Stories of Our Soldiers and Sailors in France, In the Training Camps, On the High Seas, and Everywhere Gallant American Fighters Are Found.

Letters from Chester Giesy indicate that he may be heard from in France at an early date. His last address was Camp Merritt, New Jersey.

The St. Paul Creamery was totally destroyed by fire the night of July 4. The loss was about \$4000, with \$1800 insurance. The origin of the fire is not known.

W. H. Nibler this week received letters from Edgar White at South San Antonio, Texas, and from W. F. Keil and the Presidia, near San Francisco. Both are well and getting along fine.

The Aurora boys in the training camps and elsewhere all remember W. H. Nibler. Among those writing him this week was Leslie Grazer at Camp Humphreys, Virginia. Grazer had been in hard luck the past few days, having been K. P. (kitchen police) 5 days out of ten—but he likes it!

Geo. Damm writes his parents that he has been assigned to the 37th Company of the 166th Depot Brigade at Camp Lewis. It is probable that his company will not remain long at Camp Lewis. He may not be able to visit home before leaving.

George Damm has sent his parents a photograph of his company the 37th, and has marked the position (among the 250 men) of several boys known here—Peter Kylo, Earl Nortz, Carl Ramsby, Arthur Mallett, Grover Frederick, and John Ring—all Clackamas county men.

Letters from Ed. White at Kelly Field, South Antonio, Texas, speaks of meeting Lieut. Jas. A. Miller, who is stationed there. The latter has just sent his father, Geo. Miller, a copy of the "Kelly Field Eagle", a newspaper published by soldiers for soldiers. Its circulation is 30,000 chiefly among the soldiers of the largest aviation camp in the world—Kelly Field.

Floyd Eberman, who last spring went into a naval training class at Chicago, has been assigned to duty on one of the big Lake Superior ore boats—a 10,000 ton iron ore carrier—freighting ore from the Michigan mines to the great smelters in Ohio, where it is turned into steel for ordnance and munitions to wallop the Kaiser. How long he will remain on such duty he does not know.

Geo. Miller recalls last Sunday at the 41 anniversary of his arrival in Aurora, with his father's family. Others in the same party were C. H. Wheeler and family, and the Behrens sisters. At that time, the town and country was very different from what they are today. The town was a single street with only a few houses, and the coun-

try was still undeveloped. Much of the rich land has been cleared since that date, and made into fine farm land surrounding the comfortable farm homes of today.

Arthur Anderson left Saturday to join the colors. He is entrained at Oregon City for Fort McDowell, where he will probably receive artillery training. Prior to his departure the young folks of Barlow gave him an enjoyable surprise.

Clarence Bents, who was home recently on a five day furlough, found that it gave him only a few hours at the home of his parents Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bents at Fargo. He is stationed at Fremont, California. Not getting his pass in time to catch the right train to make the best time he lost half a day, thus reducing still further the time at home. He likes it very well at Fremont and says his company is making fine progress in training.

Ulysses Giesy, who is attending the Mare Island Electrical school near San Francisco, where he is in the naval service, is home on a furlough. He arrived in Portland Friday morning and motored up to Aurora with his father A. H. Giesy, to surprise his aunts, the Giesy sisters, who did not know he was coming. Upon his return to Mare Island, he will resume his studies, and expects to complete his course fitting him for a wireless operator by December.

A card from P. M. Blaschke at Camp Lewis to the Observer says that he has been assigned to the 20th company, 5th battalion, 166th Depot Brigade. He has seen but one Oregon Newspaper since he arrived at Camp Lewis. A card to W. H. Nibler says there were fire works there on the Fourth. In a letter to his father, the young soldier says he has taken out the full amount of \$10,000 in life insurance for his own and his father's protection and has made other arrangements along the same line.

Chester Giesy wrote his father A. H. Giesy, from Camp Merritt, on July 3, that he had been to New York City. He says, "It seems that this great city has no end. It has beautiful parks and many other attractions. I like the subway which enables one to get any place in the city in a very short time. I saw the great Statue of Liberty, Grant's Tomb, and many other places of interest. In the harbor was one of the largest ships afloat. It carried 18,000 passengers. The Woolworth building is 60 stories high. On a misty day it seems to reach the sky." "I am glad to hear that I am remembered by the Aurora Auxiliary which has put a star on the service flag for me."

ADDITIONAL EDITORIALS

Neither the pacifist, the pessimist, nor the profiteer will win this war; nor the conscientious objector, nor the I. W. W. nor the shirker, nor the numerous other slackers whose only contribution to the war is a deadly grouch and half-baked criticism.

Even the "Katzenjammer Kids" have become disgusted with their names and have applied the cartoonist court to change their name to the "Shenanigan Kids"—a good old Irish name. Good bye Hans and Fritz! Good morning Mike and Aleck!

There are enemy aliens and there are native aliens. The American who does not do his part toward winning the war, who neither fights nor works nor lends for victory is as much an alien to America's purpose and America's cause as the rankst Prussian interned in this country.

The advice given his hearers at Zion church last Sunday by the Rev. E. Z. Yoder, who advised his flock to buy war stamps and Liberty Bonds, and to give the government their all, indicates a most astonishing and pleasing change of heart on the part of the Amish Mennonite church—if Rev. Yoder voices the sentiment of his parishioners. If they practice what he preaches, his words will not be mere lip service.

Senator McNary has the sympathy of every Oregonian in the sudden and grievous blow that he has sustained in the death of his wife. Every heart in Oregon will pulsate in harmony and tender concord in his hour of sorrow and grief for the admirable and noble helpmate that has passed into the beyond. Words are useless things, and while they cannot always comfort, they cannot compute the boundless sympathy which all Oregon tenders Senator McNary.

"Political Yarns"

F. W. Steusloff, county food administrator and chairman of the Marion county council of defense, announces that he will not be an independent candidate for the legislature, though many have urged him to run.

John H. Scott, who has been urged by many to give Judge Bushey a whirl for the county judgeship this fall as an independent candidate, announces that he will not be a candidate UNLESS the demand for him to run is insistent. Judge Scott ought to know by this time that the people DO NOT OFTEN DEMAND that candidates run for anything. If he wants the office, he will have to get out and ask for it. The people may want him but he will never know UNLESS he offers himself as a candidate.

NEW REBEKAH OFFICERS

Western Hope Lodge of Rebekahs installed its new officers last Saturday. Installation was followed by a social session. Ice cream and cake were served. The officers installed were the following: Installing officer, Mrs. M. E. Phillips; Noble Grand, Cordia Wiegand; Vice Grand, Mrs. Victor Berg; R. S. N. G., Mrs. C. Zimmerman; L. S. N. G., Mrs. Otis Nelson; R. V. G., Mrs. M. E. Phillips; L. S. V. G., Mrs. E. G. Carpenter; Warden, Mrs. C. B. Brewer; Conductor, Miss Sweet; Secretary, Mrs. Jessie Gray; Chaplain, Mrs. John Jesse; Inside Guard, Mrs. Elsie Wiegand; Outside Guard, Mrs. W. C. Kinyon.

ZION SEWING CIRCLE SEND FRENCH CLOTHING

John Gahler, Jr., of Needy was here this morning shipping a big box of clothing for the Zion Sewing Circle—the war relief organization of the Mennonite church. It was consigned to the American Friend's Service Committee, at 15th and Cherry Street, Philadelphia. The box contained 75 full suits for boys, girls and women. They are for the relief of the destitute of Northern France. All were made by the members of the Mennonite church. Other work is in progress for shipment later.

W. C. Kinyon made a trip to Newberg last week with a load of cherries for the Valley Canning Company.

J. C. Moore of Donald who has been in a Portland hospital several weeks, is home again, and was in Aurora this week calling on F. V. Epperson. It may be several months before Mr. Moore is able to return to his work as a blacksmith.

Conserve, reserve and preserve all of these fine fruits and vegetables that are now within your reach; you will need them the coming winter.

By eating more perishables here at home we may save others from perishing "Over There."

The farm as well as the front needs men who see straight and shoot straight.

War is OUR BUSINESS; we can't win by carrying it as a side line.

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Report of the Condition of the AURORA STATE BANK at Aurora, in the State of Oregon, at the close of business, June 29, 1918.

RESOURCES	
Loans and discounts	\$133,830.98
Overdraft secured and unsecured	52.13
Bonds and warrants	38,824.90
Stocks, securities, judgment, etc.	5,000.00
Banking house, furniture and fixtures	10,000.00
Other real estate owned	3,031.72
Due from approved reserve banks	2,370.00
Checks and other cash items	18,976.82
Cash on hand	13.77
Other resources	10,596.55
	36.00
Total	\$222,732.87

LIABILITIES	
Capital stock paid in	\$25,000.00
Surplus fund	8,500.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	1,739.63
Postal savings bank deposits	547.49
Individual deposits subject to check	96,386.58
Cashier checks outstanding	381.22
Time and Savings Deposits	89,424.73
Reserved for interest and taxes	132.22
Other liabilities	620.00
Total	\$222,732.87

STATE OF OREGON,) ss.
County of Marion)

I, Guy N. Hickok, Cashier of above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Guy N. Hickok, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9th day of July, 1918.

Oscar A. Wilson,
Notary Public.

My commission expires Jan. 10, 1922.

Correct—Attest:
Guy N. Hickok
B. F. Giesy
Grant B. Dimick
Directors

Town Topics

Mat Ban and son were Oregon City visitors Wednesday.

Victor Grimm and wife were Portland visitors Tuesday.

Mrs. Davis, of Alsea, has been visiting her daughter Mrs. J. R. Marsh the past week.

Mrs. John Lundeen was a visitor this week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Abrams.

Fred Bents was here yesterday from Fargo on business at the Aurora Bank and elsewhere.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bents of Fargo were here shopping Saturday from their home at Fargo.

Mrs. Cutsforth of Gervais came down this week to visit her daughter Mrs. Zeno Schwab.

Henry Tauffest, one of the prominent residents of Fargo, was transacting business here this week.

Mr. Herman of Walla Walla arrived here Saturday to visit his daughter Mrs. Grant Plantz at Meridian.

Dr. and Mrs. Toney of McMinnville were here Sunday, guests at the home of Mrs. Toney's brother, C. F. Grover.

Mr. and Mrs. John Johnson were up from Portland over Sunday to visit Mrs. Johnson's parents Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kraus.

Ray Fish was one of the enterprising young Clackamas county farmers transacting business at the Aurora State Bank Saturday.

Messrs White and Brown of the White school district purchased a John Deere binder yesterday from the Ehlen Hardware store.

R. H. Whitworth, R. H. Crisell, M. N. Crisell, W. J. Miley and Fred Wagner were Union Hill people here Saturday on business.

Mrs. Julius Zimmerman came down from Albany with her young sons yesterday for a visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chris Zimmerman.

Among those in the city Saturday on business or otherwise were Julius Keil, Hugo Keil, Fred Wagner, I. A. Miley, Grant Plantz and John Jesse.

Sixty four people in the Union Hill school district have bought or pledged the purchase of \$4455 in war stamps, or an average of \$70 per person.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Howe have been here this week. Mr. Howe has been off on leave as carrier on Route 1, and will now take his annual vacation.

FOR SALE—Davenport roller bearing wagon, truck wagon, Deering mower, peg tooth harrow, spring tooth harrow, buggy. John L. Snyder, Aurora, Oregon. 18-2t.

The men called for July 22 for entrainment for Camp Lewis will not entrain until July 24 according to a notice given out by the Clackamas county Local Board.

W. W. Irvin, of Aurora, was in Oregon City on business Monday. Mr. Irvin was formerly one of the leading breeders of sheep and goats, but has retired from this industry—Oregon City Enterprise.

Napoleon Davis was among the prominent residents of Butteville here Saturday. Mr. Davis is a thoroughbred American and very frank in expressing his opinion of the "American" Huns—those who shirk their duties to the nation.

Governor Withycombe has suspended the authority of firewardens to issue burning permits during the remainder of the dry season, owing to the extreme danger of the destruction of forest, grass and grainfields.

Saturday was a busy day at the Aurora stores. Among those patronizing the city merchants were Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Mills, D. A. Keil, Crisell Bros., Mr. and Mrs. John Pugh, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Fred Yergen, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Mark, Lewis Keil, John Lettenmaier and Elmer Fry.

The ladies of the Maccabees of Fidelity Lodge, Donald will give a dance Saturday evening, June 13, at the Pavillion in Cone's Oak Grove at that place. A cordial invitation is extended to all. Tickets are 75 cents each.

A number of relatives assembled at the home of Mrs. Triphine Will for dinner on the evening of July 4. Those present were messrs and Mesdames J. M. Will, Leonard Will, August Will, Geo. Scholl, Earl Kocher, Wm. Lang the latter of Idaho; and Mrs. Triphine Will, and Misses Elizabeth Forstner, Emma E. Snyder, Clara Will, Art Stahl, Lizzie Will, Bertha Stark, Leona Will, Lenore Scholl, and Elvera Scholl, Irene Scholl, John Scholl, Percy Will, Lester Will and Leland Kocher.

E. T. Buselle, a telephone engineer of Salem was here last week, on business. He has been making a study of long distance business and toll charges for the small telephone companies, during the past 15 months, to ascertain what commission is a fair compensation for handling the long distance business. A satisfactory agreement has been reached between the long distance companies and the local companies throughout the state.

MARKET REPORT

Egg per dozen, 38c
Butter, 2-lb. roll, 70c
Butter Fat, 41c
Spring Broilers 28c
Ducks, 18c to 22c
Turkeys, old, 20c
Jeese 15c
Old Roosters, 15c
Hens, 24c
Beans 6c to 10c
Cascara, 8c
Lard, 30c
Wool, 60
Mohair 45c
Potatoes, \$1.00

Mrs. S. A. Miller returned yesterday from Kokomo, Indiana, where she was called several weeks ago by the illness and death of her father. She also visited relatives further east.

Kenneth Phillips and Walter Grazer, who were home from logging camps for the Fourth, have returned to their work again, the former to Hoskins, Oregon in the Siletz country, and the latter near Kelso, Wash.

Geo. Askins was a business visitor in Portland Monday.

E. J. Snyder was a business visitor in Salem between trains Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Culclozer drove to Grande Ronde Sunday, via Newberg.

Frank E. Yergen was in Aurora Monday from his farm southwest of town.

A. C. Scheurer was at the Barkman and Feller farm Tuesday repairing their tractor.

George Stewart of Butteville has been partially "laid up" for a week or more from poison oak.

Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Wolfer and Ben Wolfer were among the Clackamas county people here Monday.

Mrs. Eugene Moshberger and friends were here from Woodburn Monday evening, calling at the home of Dr. Giesy.

Gummed fruit labels (with blanks for kind of fruit and the year canned) at the Observer Office, in little tablets (perforated booklets) at 10 cents per tablet.



Robert Morris
Financier of the
Revolution



An immigrant boy,
he ran errands for a
Philadelphia store—
worked, studied, saved

a little out of meager earnings against later needs. And during the Revolutionary war Morris gave generously of his resources for the blessed cause. His savings helped make the Nation.

It is unlikely you will be called on to supply funds to conduct a war for Independence. It is quite likely, though, that you will need savings to tide you over a family sick spell or save you from misfortune. Have you set aside anything for the rainy day?

Start an account at this bank with a part of your next salary. Add to the nest egg every pay day. Watch the fund grow in a safe place and be able to face the future courageously and independently.

Multiply your money in our care.

AURORA STATE BANK



36 Farmers wrote this Advertisement for PLYMOUTH TWINE

FOR over twenty years I have been a user of Plymouth Twine. When I ran out of Plymouth I used other twine. This gave more or less trouble, but I have always found Plymouth Twine of uniform thickness.

In the thousands of pounds I have used I have never found a poor ball. It works equally well in a corn or wheat binder. Plymouth Twine is free from knots and snarls. It stands up in the twine ball until all used up. It never gets tangled. It will bind more straw per pound than other twine. It is the best in the long run. The most economical twine the farmer can use.

36 TWINE USERS.

EVERY statement in this advertisement was taken from letters written by actual users of Plymouth Twine—by men who are up against the same difficulties that you meet. They find that Plymouth helps them. It will help you.

G. A. EHLEN, Aurora, Oregon

Making Pleasing Scents.

The magnolia has a pleasing perfume, but the odor is imitated to perfection without using the flower at all, because it is too large to macerate with success. So the magnolia perfume is furnished by a mixture of orange flower, rose, tuberose and violet essences, which make a fine "extract of magnolia." Indian lemon grass likewise gives "extract of verbena." With the rose as a foundation and a dash of verbena, the perfume of the delicate and fleeting "sweet-brier" is obtained.

Wise Old Man.

"Age brings wisdom," said Arthur J. Balfour at a Washington luncheon. "We have been in the war three years longer than you."

"Perhaps you have heard the story of the septuagenarian who courted the dancing girl."

"My dear child," he said, "I love you, and I will prove my love by deeds, not words."

"So saying, he handed her a wallet filled with official-looking documents, and they lived happily ever after. Age brings wisdom."