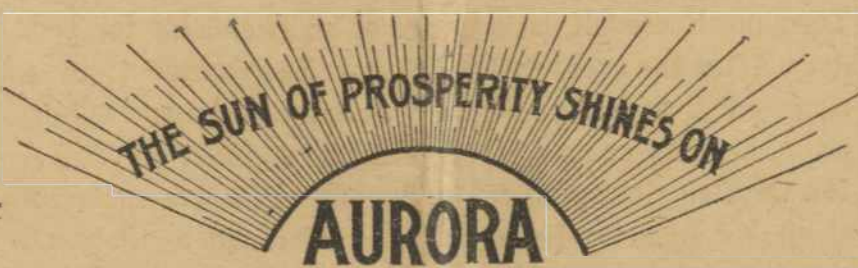


L. Weber

Aurora

Published Every Thursday



Observer

\$1.25 a Year

VOL. VIII.

AURORA, MARION COUNTY, OREGON, AUGUST 8, 1918.

NO. 22

CITY COUNCIL MEETS

The city council met Tuesday night for the transaction of purely routine business. The following bills were allowed and ordered paid.
Molalla Elec. Co. light and power. \$57.65
G. A. Ehlen, mdse. 23.65
A. W. Elliott, labor. 7.00
W. H. Nibler, light globes. 2.20
Aurora Observer, printing. 7.00
Geo. W. Fry, Water Supt. 17.40
W. O. Fry, marshal, etc. 13.00
Councilman C. B. Brewer was instructed to have the city flag-staff raised and equipped upon the city property near the water tower. The pole was donated by the Muecke Bros. It is about 90 feet long.

FRUIT INSPECTOR HERE

S. H. Van Trump of Mt. Angel was here this week in connection with his duties as county fruit inspector. He went from here to Fargo. He stated that the prune crop will be some what short and that the Marion county apple crop will also fall below the average. Pear blight and prune blight have caused considerable damage, and worms in apple orchards are very troublesome. Van Trump is a Hollander, or of Hollandish descent and a loyal American and wants it distinctly understood that there is no Hun taint about him, in spite of his name.

NEW TELEPHONE REGULATIONS

The directors of the Aurora Mutual Telephone company met Saturday to put in force new rules made necessary by the new conditions under which the telephone companies find themselves since the government has assumed control of all lines. The chief change made is in the matter of collections. All Rentals will be collected in advance, not by mail as heretofore but by a collector who will visit each subscriber. Long distance bills are payable at the same time for the previous month. The new conditions leave the company no alternative, but to collect promptly.

FARM PRODUCT VALUES

A map recently issued by the department of Agriculture shows the value of the 1917 crops and animal products in the various states as follows:--

Oregon.....	\$ 171,000,000
Washington.....	196,000,000
Idaho.....	135,000,000
Montana.....	171,000,000
California.....	575,000,000
Nevada.....	39,000,000
Utah.....	73,000,000
Nebraska.....	774,000,000
Texas.....	1,045,000,000
New York.....	700,000,000
Missouri.....	947,000,000
Illinois.....	1,255,000,000
Rhode Island.....	16,000,000
Iowa.....	1,330,000,000

Paint prices have gone up 10 per cent this week. Floor, roof, wagon, red, lead, marine paints, shingle stains and putty are affected by the advance.

THREE HUNDRED TAGS SOLD FOR BELGIAN BABIES

The girls and young women who sold tags last week for the "Belgian Babies" collected \$29.20 for the fund, mostly in dimes, though there were a few donations of larger amounts.

The solicitors were Edna Keil and Dorothy Moore, Helen Morris and Helen Phillips, Helen Kerr and Norma Gribble, Aileen Snyder and Henrietta White, Evadna Hurst and Tneoda Gribble, Rosa Damm, Echo Giesy, Leona Will, and Velma Bents. The latter made the record sales with a total of nearly nine dollars.

R. Woolworth, here from Butteville, took all the souvenirs there were then left, and disposed of 17 for \$2.30. The Aurora women in charge had received but 110 tags, but when these were gone made more and disposed of nearly 150 more.

HOW DOG LOVERS CAN AID

The dog rightfully holds a strong place in the minds and affections of men.

The owner of a good dog finds in him a most faithful friend.

But it sometimes happens that the dog most highly esteemed is also one that kills and worries the most sheep and is the most cunning in obscuring the evidences of his guilt.

A well-bred dog's habit of lying innocently asleep in the front yard during daytime is no proof that the same dog does not kill sheep at night.

Because of the economic loss occasioned by sheep-killing dogs, and because such dogs bring the whole of their kind into bad repute, the true admirers and friends of this animal should help to further any steps likely to result in the limitation of the activity of these discrediting members of a noble race. One of the most practicable methods of accomplishing this result seems to be to place upon dogs such a tax as will reduce the number of superfluous ones and result in fewer being kept by persons who can not or will not give them the attention necessary to prevent the formation of habits and association that lead to sheep killing.

E. G. Robinson of the Molalla Electric Co., and N. C. Wescott were recent visitors at the John Murry farm at East Butteville where the former installed a new Electric Washer. Many of the farmers of that section now have electric light and power, for both house and farm use.

MERIDIAN

Fred Bachert recently purchased a fine cow from Victor Berg.

Mrs. Dibble was an afternoon caller at the home of Mrs. Bachert Sunday.

Frank Campau is the recent loser of several head of sheep as the result of prowling dogs.

Raymond Wilson of Macksburg and Miss Allie Bisanz of this place spent Sunday at Wilhoit.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Albee spent Sunday as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Donaldson of Barlow.

Carl Oldfield went to Portland Sunday to join Mrs. Oldfield who is helping to care for her father, the latter being quite ill.

Joe Bonn of Tigard recently purchased the George Yergen place at Meridian, the deal being closed up last Wednesday.

The dogs which last week killed 18 sheep for Frank Campau, came across the river. While some people consider dogs profitable, it appears to us that the loss of 18 sheep is more serious than 1800 dogs. Of course there are a few useful dogs—perhaps one in a hundred—no more.

Meridianites have been busy people the past week, James Brewer has been stacking grain for F. E. Mills, Fred Yohan has been cutting grain for Berg and Trost, and Eldoras Pratt for Mills and Oldfield; while Albert Pratt has loaded a car of alder wood and a car of fir stave bolts.

MACKSBURG.

The Little Girls Sewing Circle will meet on Saturday, August 10th at Mrs. Baldwin's home.

The Mother's Club had a very pleasant session on Thursday last at the home of its president, Mrs. Jno. Hepler. Mrs. Potratz and Mrs. Henry Walsh were present with their children as visitors. The next meeting will be an all day session at the home of the Sec'y. Mrs. G. M. Baldwin.

The thresher is in full operation with its usual quota of men. The grain so far, is turning out far better than was expected, giving reason for the hope that before the finish the harvest of 1918 will have reached the average of other years. Most of the spring grain is still uncut and since the breaking of the drouth has been growing at a most encouraging rate.

The Red Cross Auxiliary held its usual meeting on the last day of July and will meet again Aug. 7th, in its rooms at the Sutherland building. At the last meeting of the Auxiliary a letter from the chairman of the Council of Defense Woman's Committee was read. This letter gives the information that our Government has called for 25,000 women and girls to be trained in nursing for service in order to release the trained nurses for trans-Atlantic work. The Council of Defense and the Red Cross are co-operating in this work. Oregon's quota is 310. This gives an excellent opportunity to acquire the training necessary to receive a nurses diploma and to be prepared for service at home. As we all know many heretofore, who have wished to become trained nurses have found the expense of fitting for this calling too great for their means and have been obliged to give up a greatly wished career. Now the U. S. Government removes this obstacle by offering to applicants who meet their requirements the essentials of board, uniform and money to procure the necessary books. High school or better still, University diplomas would be a recommendation but are not imperative, if other requirements are met. These are good health, unexceptional character and sound common sense. The age is from 19 to 35. This is an unprecedented opportunity for those who wish to fit themselves for one of the most honorable and lucrative professions the world has to offer, and it gives besides the opportunity of rendering our country valuable service, while preparing oneself for a commendable and profitable career. Surely such a privilege must be availed of without delay. All who wish to obtain further information on the subject may do so by addressing Mrs. W. W. Irvin, chairman of Council of Defense, Aurora, Oregon.

Mrs. Addie Dimick, aged 70 years, step mother of Walter Dimick of Oregon City, and widow of the late G. W. Dimick of that city died on a train entering St. Louis Monday night. She was on her way to visit her daughter Mrs. Nellie Burnett. The coroner notified the family at Oregon City who in turn referred him to Mrs. Burnett. Burial will take place in St. Louis.

TWO REGISTER HERE FOR STUDENT NURSE RESERVE

Two young women registered here Saturday for enrollment in the Student Nurse Reserve. They were Miss Alice White, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. P. H. S. White, and Miss Bonnie Holladay of Hubbard, formerly of Baker City but now in the employ of the Hubbard Creamery.

They pledge themselves to be in readiness to respond to the government call to enter Nursing schools or hospitals for a two or three years training course, and to accept employment later at home or abroad.

ARMY CHAPLAINS WANTED

The Oregonian expresses surprise that the army is still in need of Chaplains. It says the church is in need of the view point of those outside the church, and that service as Chaplains would give ministers a wonderful opportunity to get that view point.

"The successful graduate of the army school for chaplains receives a lieutenant's commission on appointment. The pay is \$2,000 to \$2200 a year. It is a prosperous church in a fairly large community that can afford to pay that salary, and it has a broad selection.

The commissioned army chaplain is a man in excellent physical form and he cares a great deal more about the soldier's welfare than he does about his creed. He may be a protestant of any denomination, a Roman Catholic or a Jew. Each of the foregoing will find at the school representatives of the other religious faiths mentioned. He is certain to acquire tolerance and the spirit of fraternalism in the broadest meaning of the word. It will be a new clergyman, physically spiritually and worldly, who will return to us from the trenches. One can easily foresee that the stage caricature one knows so well will have to take his anemic presence out the stage door for want of public appreciation."

WHAT IS A THRIFT STAMP?

A Thrift Stamp sometimes seems to me A small, persistent enemy; It will not let me take a hack, But bids me walk from Here to Back; It shakes its head what time I say "I'd love to see this matinee!" And at a new spring bonnet it Gives indications of a fit. In short, 'tis like some prudent spouse Who will not let her mate carouse, But tucks the pennies all away To save against that rainy day When o'er his head she'll proudly lift The green umbrella of her thrift, O small, persistent, nagging friend, How I shall love you at the end— And say, as thankful husbands do, "All this, my dear I owe to you."

BARLOW

Wm. Cummings and family will occupy the Larson house.

Mrs. Hattie Crowley is visiting at the Will Bauer home at Molalla this week.

Mrs. Gribble of Macksburg visited her parents Mr. and Mrs. Jesse one day last week.

Mrs. Bertlesen was called to Portland Wednesday on account of the death of his sister.

R. O. Veteto and family left last week for Eastern Oregon where they will make their home.

Miss Alena Tremayne is spending several weeks with relatives at Beaver Creek her former home.

Mr. and Mrs. Irwin and daughter went to Vancouver Sunday to visit Norman Crowley and view the Barracks.

Mrs. Fred Grindeland of Oregon City visited her parents Mr. and Mrs. Larson several days before they left.

Samp Vickers left recently for Camp Lewis and Ed. Grindeland left Tuesday for a camp in Cal., where they have gone to prepare to fight for Freedom.

Mr. and Mrs. Larson left Tuesday for their new home at Vader, Wis. We are sorry to lose Mr. and Mrs. Larson, but wish them happiness in their new home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Burgoyne of New Era and Fred Burgoyne and family of Idaho and Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Burgoyne of Roseburg spent the day at the Jesse home last Wednesday.

Miss Irene Wurfel left Monday for a trip with Mr. Bruens family of Portland going over the same route while Mr. and Mrs. Wurfel traveled on an outing trip, going to Tacoma, Camp Lewis and Seattle. They will make the trip in Mr. Wurfels car. Mrs. Kirks, mother of Mrs. Wurfel and Miss Curtis of McMinnville accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Wurfel.

GYPSY VISITORS IN TOWN

A couple of automobiles filled with gypsies stopped here about 15 minutes Saturday. Their vagrant propensities were in evidence every second of their stay. They pocketed everything pocketable. They broke a dozen branches to swipe a single cherry, green apples, pears and plums were gathered up, in traditional gypsy style.

The tribes of which these people are descendants originally came from India. They have wandered over Europe since 1400 A. D., and appeared in America about 1825. Nearly all are nomadic and of vagabond habits. They excel as metal workers, farriers and musicians when they can be induced to work. Fortune telling and horse-trading are traditional occupations, though the advent of the automobile has had its effect upon the latter. While the contingent here Saturday were driving fine Cadillac machines, and were well dressed, the same old vagabondish characteristics were apparent. While the usual retinue of dogs were lacking there was a little regiment of gypsy progeny, grading upward from babes at the breast to strapping boys approaching draft age.

HUBBARD SERVICE FLAG

Judge G. B. Dimick delivered an address Saturday night at Hubbard when its service flag was unfurled. He made a splendid patriotic address, a well selected program was rendered, including the usual excellent music that always appear as a part of any Hubbard program. Sixty-eight stars appear on the flag.

EVERGREEN BLACKBERRIES TO BRING RECORD PRICES

H. E. Crowell, field representative of the Valley Canning Company of Newberg was here Monday, making arrangements with A. H. Giesy to purchase Evergreen blackberries for the Newberg firm. The Valley Canning Company has government contracts to furnish great quantities of blackberry, raspberry and plum jam. The price offered for evergreens will not be less than six cents. Several other firms will have representatives here, among them being E. M. Hurst who will buy for the Graves Cannery at Sheridan; Sadler & Kraus who will buy for Pheasant Northwest Fruit Products Company at Salem; and Will-Snyder Co., who will buy for Sam Brown at Gervais.

With the big demand for all cannery products and the usual big crop of evergreens, there will be an immense business done this season throughout the valley. Evergreen prices this year promise to exceed any ever before paid.

The families of Mr. Laurance Beckman, Mr. Clever, Mr. Earl Grim, Walter Grim, Mrs. Byron Grim and Helen Pippy enjoyed a pleasant motor trip to Dallas Sunday. After visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Anton Will a short time, a picnic lunch was partaken of at the Dallas Park. Then all drove to inspect Mr. Beckman's fine fruit farm two miles distant. The return was made by way of McMinnville and Newberg and a very enjoyable day was completed.

A. H. GIESY
THE RELIABLE MERCHANDISE STORE
Established 1898

NYAL AGENCY

WEATHERLY ICE CREAM

Benzoin and Almond
Lotion

For Chapped Hands, Rough
Skin and Sunburn.

AURORA DRUG STORE
Aurora, Oregon

Save the Berries

and build up your bank account this season by bringing us all the Evergreen Blackberries you can pick. We will pay the highest cash price. Not a berry should be allowed to waste. The country needs the fruit products, everyone needs the income to be derived from the crop, and we want to handle your berries at the most liberal figure possible. We furnish crates without charge. For further information call us up by Phone or in person.

WILL-SNYDER CO.
THE STORE OF MERIT

WE PAY CASH FOR MOHAIR

ANNOUNCEMENT!

Conditions are such no one can tell or even guess what the outcome will be concerning prices and material.

We make this announcement at this time because we want to call to your attention that our stock of outing flannels are sufficiently large to supply local demands for a limited time. We want your trade on these goods. The prices are way below the regular selling price today.

Look over our remnant counters for exceptional bargains. Some broken lines in men's, women's and childrens shoes. Prices very low.

SADLER & KRAUS

—THE BEST FOR THE PRICE—

R. & G. Corsett Agency

Butterick Patterns