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Is prepared at all times to repair every make of American and Swiss Watches, and warrants them to run and keep correct time. Prices reasonable.

Also a line of watches and jewelry always in stock. Good watches in gold-filled cases as low as **\$14.00 Each**

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Watchmaker & Jeweler
Next Door to Quality Restaurant

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DO YOU WANT TO SELL YOUR FARM?

If you will make your price reasonable, I can sell it for you. If you list your place with me, I will make all reasonable efforts to sell it, advertising it extensively.

I know your farm and farm values, as I have lived in the Willamette Valley 19 years. Send me a full description, your lowest price and best terms. Come in or write me at 410 Railway Exchange Building, Portland, Oregon. Phone Main 7660.

J. S. BROWN

General Farm Agent

There are undoubtedly acres upon acres of land in the eastern part of the United States too poor for either garden or pasture purposes, which would readily produce white pine trees. The professor of forestry at the Massachusetts Agricultural college calls attention to the price of \$30 to \$35 a thousand feet for which pine logs are selling on the stump, and says that pine stumps will be as valuable for the next thirty or forty years as it is today. His advice to farmers who own large areas of unimproved lands, to plant them with white pine, with a certainty of profitable sale, would seem to be worthy of consideration.

Secretary Daniels is right in saying that men who will not obey are not fit to command, and that midshipmen who refuse obedience to their lawfully constituted authorities will be expelled. Obedience is the foundation of all law and order, and especially of military and naval discipline, and if it is refused in the training process, there is an end of efficiency in students as potential commanders.

When the Lithuanians fired upon the league commission advancing toward them under a white flag, a native woman crossed the field under fire to explain that the commission wore allied uniforms, which explanation caused the firing to cease. It is characteristic of the fate of the peace-maker that this humble heroine did not even have her name mentioned in the dispatches.

In Denmark farmers are required to number and initial each egg sent to market. If one or two eggs are bad, the farmer is fined; if three are bad, he is boycotted. At that rate, the average bunch of eggs the American consumer gets would get the producer hanged.

For the benefit of those who are affected by the rule against the sale of hops in the ordinary commercial way somebody is sure to recall the fact that hops used to be regarded as invaluable in the treatment of lame joints.

ADMINISTRATOR'S FINAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned as administratrix of the estate of Edward Uppendahl, deceased, has filed her final account as such administratrix of said estate, in the county court for Marion County, Oregon, and that said court has duly set the time for hearing any and all objections thereto and the final settlement thereof for Monday the 7th day of February 1921, at the hour of 10 o'clock A. M. of said day in the court room of said court at Salem, in said county and state.

Dated this 31st day of December 1920.
ANNA MEESKE,
Administratrix of the estate of Edward Uppendahl, deceased.
W. C. WINSLOW, Attorney.

Classified or "Local" Ad Rates

Notices of all entertainments of every kind at which anything is sold or at which admission is charged will be charged for at our regular rates of 10 cents per line for the first insertion and five cents per line for each following insertion of the same notice.

Want ads, for sale, for rent, found, lost, and all similar notices all come under the above rate. Count six words to the line.

FOR SALE—Wilson strawberry plants. Send in your orders. Prices right. P. M. Blaschke, Aurora, 47-52p

Thoroughbred New Zealand red male rabbits for sale or trade for chickens. Write or call. E. L. Steinhoff, Aurora, R. 3. 46 2tp.

Plants For Sale

Get busy and send in your orders for plants. We have some choice loganberry, cutbert, red raspberry, Mun-black raspberry. Marshal and Wilson strawberry plants. Price reasonable. W. H. Bentley, Hubbard, Oregon, Woodburn R. 3.

WANTED—To list several farms in the vicinity of Aurora. We have several buyers for farms in your locality. If yours is priced reasonable we would be pleased to list it. Beck & Hendricks 205 U. S. National Bank Bldg. Salem, Oregon.

FOR SALE

House and lots, 100x140, fronting on 1st and Liberty St. Price \$1200. Inquire at Observer Office. 39-1f.

MARRY IF LONELY; for results try me; best and most successful "Home Maker" hundreds rich wish marriage soon; strictly confidential; most reliable; years of experience; descriptions free. The "Successful Club", Mrs. Call, Box 556, Oakland, Calif. 39-40

Mail your drug orders to Moores Drug Store, Woodburn.

Complete line of Drugs, etc., at Moore's, Woodburn. Mail your orders

WHY STAY SINGLE IF LONELY? Try me for results; many rich wish early marriage; strictly confidential, reliable. Co-Operative Correspondence Club, Mrs. Gray, Box 47, Kansas City, Mo. Dept. 54.

MARRY—Thousands people; all ages; worth \$5,000 to \$400,000; anxious for marriage; write for my list; FREE. Ralph Hyde, 253 Minna St. San Francisco, Cal. 45-

For Sale—Fine holly trees, the berry variety, 15 to 20 inches, at \$1.00 each. Leave your orders at the Observer Office.

The Following Letter Is Self Explanatory Why The Rates of the Aurora Mutual Telephone Co. Should Be Increased

This company having asked for an increase in rates and having been granted a hearing, it is both desirable and right that its patrons should know the grounds upon which the demand for an increase are based. A study of the table below shows how the prices of material and of labor have increased since 1914.

In spite of the general impression that all prices are declining there is no prospect whatever of any decline in the price of telephone material or in skilled labor, for the demand for both is greater today than ever in the history of the telephone industry.

Though conducted in the most economical and careful manner the company has run behind during the last twenty months over \$850.00—all due to the steadily mounting prices of material and labor necessary to maintain service, to repair or replace worn equipment; to keep pole-lines, circuits and switch boards in repair, and to do the constant work required to keep the plant in operating order.

Pole replacement on an extensive scale will be necessary within a year. Repairs are more necessary and more costly each year, due to more rapid depreciation as the lines grow older. Labor skilled in operating and maintaining a plant is scarce and in great demand. Only good wages will command this kind of labor, but we can afford no other kind, because unskilled labor at telephone work is the very costliest kind.

It is plain that our present service cannot be maintained at our present rates, which are much lower than the rates of other companies that render a service equal (sometimes inferior) to ours, because it is impossible to stretch a fixed income to cover expenses that have increased from 75% to 300% on the various kinds of labor and material necessary in the business. Only the utmost economy in expenditures has kept the deficit down to its present figure.

The Aurora Mutual Telephone Company was not organized for profit, nevertheless it is not just that its stockholders should build, maintain and operate the telephone system at a loss. The stockholders have no obligation to furnish non-stockholders with telephone service at less than cost, but this is what has been happening during the last three years. But what is past cannot be remedied. We ask only your co-operation in the future.

It is the desire of the company to furnish the best service its rates will allow, and if granted an increase, to furnish service all day on Sundays and holidays, as well as an emergency night service—for doctor calls and similar service. Few small companies furnish the excellent service this gives, at the low rates it is asking. To maintain this service and the cordial relations between it and its patrons, this full explanation of conditions is laid before them.

FIGURES SHOWING THE ENORMOUS INCREASE IN THE PRICES OF TELEPHONE MATERIAL, SUPPLIES AND LABOR SINCE 1914.

	1914	1920	Increase
Insulators, per 100	\$ 1.90	\$ 8.17	325%
Knobs, No. 4 1/2, per 100	1.75	4.75	150%
Iron Braces, per 100	6.40	20.00	212%
Locust Pins, per 100	1.30	3.50	169%
Ground Rods, each	.19	.52	174%
Cross Arms, each	.54	1.52	176%
Brackets, per 100	1.75	5.40	212%
Batteries, each	.16	.48	200%
Wire No. 14, 100 lbs	3.70	9.25	150%
Insulated Wire, 100 ft.	.79	2.15	172%
Telephones, each	8.00	20.00	150%
Cedar poles, each	1.00	3.50	250%
Fir Poles, each	.50	1.25	150%
Operators and line man per month	100.00	175.00	75%
Telephone Rent, per month	1.25	1.25	NONE

The Daily and Sunday Oregonian

Delivered each morning at your home, per month

75c

Sunday Oregonian delivered regularly, each Sunday at your home, per copy

5c

Sunday Oregonians at news stands, 5c per copy.

Thomas M. Wescott
Agent

**Service Is Our Slogan
Safety Is Our Watchword**

I LIKE TO SEE A MAN PROUD OF THE PLACE IN WHICH HE LIVES. I LIKE TO SEE A MAN LIVE IN IT SO HIS PLACE WILL BE PROUD OF HIM.
—ABRAHAM LINCOLN

We believe in this community. We believe in the citizens who are proud of living here, we believe in our good schools and churches, we believe in the successful farmers and enterprising business men and we believe in our bank that has the interest of the people at heart and is ever on the lookout for means of making this an even better community.

On these beliefs we base our service.

Aurora State Bank

Time Savings Checking Accounts
4% compounded quarterly on Savings Deposits
4% paid on Time Deposits
(Under Exacting State Supervision)

let's pack up and go to

California

"Winter's Summer Garden"

Sooner or later everyone goes to California where the bright warm sunshine greets you; where the delightful climate, the sweet scented flowers and the lure of the sea welcomes you to this land of beauty and charm.

FOUR DAILY TRAINS

"The Shasta" "California Express"
"Oregonian" "San Francisco Express"

Portland to San Francisco
and
Seattle, Tacoma and Portland
to
San Francisco and Los Angeles
Provide comfortable accommodations and excellent service

WINTER EXCURSION TICKETS
are on sale to
Southern California

Your copy of our new booklet "California for the Tourist," will be mailed FREE on request

Inquire of Local Ticket Agent for particulars as to fares, routes, sleeping car reservations and train service, or write

SOUTHERN PACIFIC LINES
JOHN M. SCOTT,
General Passenger Agent
Portland Oregon

AURORA MEAT MARKET

An Uptodate Sanitary Meat Market that handles everything best in meats fresh and cured.

WURSTER BROS. Aurora, Oregon

G. R. WATT
ATTORNEY AT LAW

GENERAL COURT PRACTICE
ESTATES PROBATED
NOTARY PUBLIC

Office in Drug Store

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