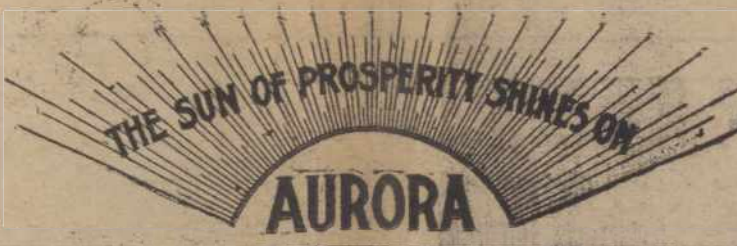


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To Parents and H. S. Pupils of the Aurora Community

Since definite arrangements have been made by the Woodburn School Board and the Business Men of Aurora, for running a free bus to and from the Woodburn High School Building during the school term beginning Monday, Sept. 19, I wish to extend to you a cordial invitation to join us in high school this year. Everthing possible has been done to build up a first class high school in Woodburn. I believe those who have inspected the building and equipment, and examined the Courses of Study, will agree with me that this attempt has been very successful. There is no better high school in Oregon, than we will have this year. We have a large and well equipped faculty, all necessary apparatus has been provided, the enrollment is expected to be at least two-hundred-fifty students, so we can assure you that you will make no mistake in selecting this school as your choice for this year. Do not forget that the bus will make its first trip on Monday, Sept. 19. The driver has a contract to make trips daily after that date. Your children will be well taken care of on these trips, and will return home just as early as they can. The Woodburn High School accepts full responsibility in this matter. Any complaints should be made directly to the Superintendent of Schools. The driver who is to furnish the conveyance is under a contract which has been declared satisfactory by the Citizen's Committee of Aurora. This contract is of course, signed by the Woodburn School Board. Do not be led to believe that no one is responsible in this matter, as we have taken care of that. Copies of our course of study are being mailed to all prospective high school students. Additional copies will be left at the office of the "Aurora Observer" for distribution to any one who may call for them. The undersigned will be pleased to talk with any one interested about the school work, or to answer any inquiries by mail when requested to do so.

F. E. Fagan,
Superintendent Woodburn Schools.

Hop Pickers are Busy

The hops are King this week. A few yards are picked, but this is the big week. In many cases the growers are needing more pickers. The yield will not go more than a half or two-thirds in many instances, but the crop is good and prices look promising. The St. Paul and Newberg yards of Mr. Bents are turning out nearly a full crop. About 15 days more will finish the picking. 800 idle people on charity in Portland and farmers can't get sufficient help. Our sympathy for the unemployed lessens.

CANBY HAS FIRE FIRE DESTROYS WAIT'S BARN STAGE COMPANY'S LOSS HEAVY

Fire, which started from unknown origin, in the old C. M. Wait barn, close to the Band hall in Canby, early Monday morning, reduced to ruins the entire building together with three new busses and seven new bus bodies owned by The Oregon Stage Company of which M. J. Lee is manager.

Mayor W. S. Maple's home is just north of the barn site and he was one of the first to notice the fire, which seemed to be starting from the top of the building, apparently in the hay stored there. The theory is advanced by many that a tramp might have slipped into the barn loft to sleep in the hay and was awakened when M. J. Lee drove in with the last bus Sunday night, after hauling a base ball crowd home, and before resuming his nap the stranger lit a cigar or cigarette, thus starting the fire which was the most disastrous ever witnessed in Canby. Another theory is that spontaneous combustion in the loft caused the blaze, but the latter is given little or no credence by city officials.

M. J. Lee had not left the barn after running the bus in more than ten minutes when the fire bell sounded, but by the time men could get there to work the fire was well under way, and their efforts to save the building proved to be of no avail, and they were lucky to save the Band hall, which is on property adjoining it on the south. Nearly every man and every woman of Canby turned out shortly to fight fire, and the boys who handled the fire cart and hose wagon deserve praise for their efficiency in saving the Band hall and the little primary school house.

The three busses that burned were worth over \$7,000.00 and the bus bodies were put up at a cost of \$2400 each, and this was partly covered by insurance. Mr. Rose says, but the loss to the business brought about through inevitable delay will be enormous, as they were making every preparation for the State fair, and were figuring on putting the new ones on the run to Salem from Oregon City. One of the new busses had never been put over the road.

Seven tons of hay were burned together with hundreds of dollars worth of other material stored in the barn by individuals. The total amount of the loss to the stage company is yet undetermined, as learned in an interview with Geo. W. Rose of the company early Monday.

The fire started about 1 o'clock in the morning and by 2:30 the entire building was consumed.

During the fighting of the flames, J. R. Vinyard of the store was run down by the fire wagon and injured, and is confined to his home, but will recover.

SURE! THIS IS PROSPERITY

Smiles, jobs, prosperity—is a feeling; a condition that goes in waves, striking certain locations for a period of time and deserting certain sections for certain periods. Old man "Pep" is the General-in-Chief of the army representing this "glorious feeling" that is a sure sign of Prosperity. The "wave" has seemingly deserted the Puget Sound section for a time. Seattle and Tacoma are as "dead as a door-nail." This we hear from travelers, commercial men newspapers and friends living there. Jobs there are not possible. The smiles, jobs, prosperity; the feeling and energetic condition has traveled south and settled in and around Portland. Portland's ambition for the 1925 World's Fair has brought her in the limelight the world over; the city's energy and push in "going ahead" and actually "doing instead of talking" has astonished the world, and the world is going to help from this day to 1925 in putting on one of the biggest expositions ever dreamed of by present or past generations. Today Portland and all small towns adjacent are showing a substantial activity in all business lines. New building reported all along; live Commercial Clubs are full of optimism. New settlers heading for the Portland country and Willamette Valley and our building records showing in all daily papers that no time is left for chronic kickers.

The hop pickers at the Geo. Yergen yard had a big wiener roast last night.

More Than 200 Attend Luther League Convention

The Luther League Convention held in the local Lutheran church on Labor Day, was a grand success. The weather was ideal; Aurora's hospitality was unstinted and the enthusiasm unbounded. At the morning session the church was filled to overflowing. St. Paul's choir from Portland furnished two a themes. Miss Hedwig Klingepron read an essay entitled; "How can we young people further the cause of missions" Both the essay and the lively discussion which followed were intensely interesting. Mrs. Oscar Haland represented the local League in the discussion with a fine talk and Miss Helen Greenwood of Salt Lake who is visiting in Aurora commanded the attention of all with her appeal for interest in the Lord's great work of Missions. She also read some fascinating quotations from letters written her by a Missionary friend in India. After the discussion of the topic Rev. Geo. Koehler of State Street Lutheran church, Salem, conducted the Question Box and answered a score of questions which often tribune young Christians. The morning session closed with the assembly singing Gustavus Adolphus' famous battle hymn, "Thou Little Flock be not Afraid."

Dinner was served at 12:30 in Brun's Grove where our good friend "Bill" had made everything in readiness and where the Aurora people had brought enough good things for a regiment. Mr. Brun and Aurora received a hearty

Ladd Hill Notes

Hop picking at the Williams and Hart yard is in full blast; employing about 125 people.

Sam Edmiston will begin picking his hops this week.

Mr. R. H. Walls has been on the sick list for several days.

The Ladd Hill Commercial Club met Tuesday night. In addition to the general business, a plan for the new Club House was accepted and building will soon begin.

Ralph Williams and family were visitors at Ladd Hill Sunday.

Bruce Case has purchased the Taut-forest place and will reside there.

Robert Graham and Henry Wilhelm made a trip to the coast recently, they report a very pleasant time.

The Worlds Fair

Let's tell them all that Aurora is one little town that is for the 1925 Fair. Seventy-five per cent of Oregon's visitors pass through Aurora. We will have our show, Garb on.

HOME AGAIN

Mr. and Mrs. Keefover returned, last week, from their vacation and auto trip to Wyoming. Mr. K. says there is nothing, absolutely nothing there, as compared to the Willamette Valley. They enjoyed the outing however, and drove over considerable country.

EIGHTY-EIGHT YEARS

Mrs. Will of Aurora Celebrates Her Birthday

Mrs. Triplins Will celebrated her 88th birthday Sunday Sept. 4th, with all her children and great-grandchildren, it being the first time they all met together at one time and all enjoyed the birthday dinner. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Will of Sherwood, Mr. and Mrs. Aug. Will and Lester Will, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Kecher and son Leland, Mr. and Mrs. George Scholl, Lenore, Elvera, Irene and John Scholl of Hubbard, Mr. and Mrs. Antone Will, Myra and Mary Will of Needy; Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Will, Percy and Leona Will, Aurora; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Will, Savilla, Mildred and Cecil Will, from Grand Island; Mr. and Mrs. Howell, Spokane, Wash.; Elizabeth Postner, Bertha Stark, Lizzie and Clara Will.

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STRONG TO SING IN STATE FAIR GROUNDS SUNDAY AFTERNOON, OCT. 2.

Sunday afternoon, Oct. 2nd, the Whitney Boys Chorus will give a big concert in the State Fair grounds at Salem. The grand stand will be used for the Auditorium. In front of the grand stand will be erected a man-mouth raised platform capable of holding the entire chorus.

Last June 700 members of this Chorus gave a concert in the Portland Municipal Auditorium to a packed house. The Oregonian said it was one of "the most remarkable and thrilling concerts ever given in Portland." The entire chorus will be present and render the best program this famous chorus has ever produced.



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