



### Sugar Beets Raising

Beets beat most of the farm products for a cash profit. Jack Sadler and Geo. Ehlen accompanied E. R. Robinson to Salem Monday night to a mass meeting to discuss sugar beets raising in the Willamette Valley.

Mr. Dodson, Manager Portland Chamber of Commerce, gave a brief history of the beet industry in Oregon. Mr. Lamb, of the Idaho-Utah Sugar Co., with a plant in Bellingham, Wash., gave some interesting figures. The proposition is this:

They want 1000 to 1500 acres of beets planted in the valley this year in units from 3 to 5 acres, and only under the best conditions 10 acres. They will pay the same for the 1927 crop FOB cars in the valley that they paid in Washington this year, namely \$6.00 per ton, plus a bonus, if sugar goes over \$6.00 per hundred pounds.

An investigation by Portland Chamber of Commerce by a man sent from Portland, obtained these facts:

29 growers investigated, 13 had sufficient data to get reliable results. Average market value of land raising beets, \$300.00 per acre, average acreage per farm 1 1/2 acres, average tonnage per acre 17, price per ton \$6.43 at sugar plant, 9 out of the 13 farms hire no help, 4 hire some help, 12 out of the 13 expects to continue raising beets and are well pleased with the returns. Net returns better than other crops, and is a great help in dairying from the by-products.

Nationality of the farmers: 10 Americans, 2 Hollanders and 1 Norwegian.

Beet tops for cow feed causes a 10 per cent increase in milk production.

Cost of production per acre: Plowing, harrowing, seeding, fertilizer, cultivating, weeding, harvesting, and hauling to factory, or depot, \$56.68 per acre. This is the actual cost, hiring all help. Total income per acre 17 tons, \$107.31. Total cost of production, as per above, \$56.68. Left for profit, taxes and ground rent, \$50.63.

This crop is as near a sure crop as a farmer can put in, if it is planted early, and attains a fair size before the dry weather. It will be more or less dormant during dry weather and as soon as the rain starts in the fall, they will grow again and increase the tonnage per acre.

The writer believes it will be a good rotative crop for flax, potatoes and clover and a great deal more remunerative than wheats or oats.

It works in fine with dairying. We think enough of it that we in the near future will call a mass meeting in Aurora for the farmers. Definite and reliable information will be furnished and contracts signed up. The Aurora Community Club and all the commercial bodies in the small and large cities will do all they can to help you find a profitable crop.

So watch for the announcement of our mass meeting for you Mr. Farmer. Aurora Commercial Club By E. G. Robinson, President.

### Obituary

The passing of Mary Alice Bird Knapp comes as a shock to the many friends and relatives who have known and loved her for her sunny disposition and unselfish devotion to the interests of others.

Less than a fortnight ago, she was apparently in her usual active joyous spirit and health. Failing to rally from a minor operation, she quietly passed away in Portland at the home of her sister-in-law, Mrs. E. R. Morgan, Sunday evening, November 21.

Born in New Haven, Vermont, she later moved to Middlebury, Vermont, where she lived until her marriage, in 1905, to George E. Knapp, of Seattle, Wash. Since her marriage she has lived in Seattle and Goldendale, Washington, until the family moved to Aurora, Oregon, four years ago.

Mrs. Knapp is survived by her husband, George E. Knapp, her daughter, Margaret Knapp, who is a student at the University of Oregon, her mother, Mrs. E. W. Bird, her sister, Mrs. Albert Sperry, and her two brothers Ernest Bird and Harold Bird, the sister and brothers being residents of Spokane, Washington.

She became a member of the Congregational church when a girl and has been actively interested in women's club work for a number of years. At the time of her passing she was a member of the Aurora Woman's Club.

Funeral services were conducted in Portland by the Reverend C. S. Dunn of the Kenton United Presbyterian Church, Tuesday, November twenty-third, with interment in the Aurora cemetery.

Bearers were the two brothers of Mrs. Knapp, Edwin L. Knapp of Eugene, and Mr. Arthur Kraus and Mr. Louis Webert of Aurora. —A Close Friend.

### Card of Thanks

We wish to express our heart-felt thanks to our friends and neighbors who extended to us their sympathy and so many acts of kindness in our great bereavement, and to voice our appreciation of the many tokens of esteem for the one we held most dear.

GEORGE E. KNAPP,  
MARGARET A. KNAPP,  
MRS. E. W. BIRD,  
MRS. A. H. SPERRY,  
ERNEST B. BIRD,  
HAROLD R. BIRD.

### The Aurora Health Center

You should see the Health Center rooms over the post office. They have been nicely painted lately. Mr. Asquith donated his services and painted two of the rooms, and Mr. Quinn of Donald painted two of the rooms. The people of the community are very grateful for this generous donation to so worthy a cause.

## KERNELS AND CRUMBS

Short Stories of the Town Picked up Here and There Some Serious, Others Humerous

H. L. Bents of Newberg was in Aurora Monday transacting business.

Come to the Camp Fire Girls' Novelty sale Saturday, Dec. 4, 2 p. m. at the Presbyterian Church. 47-2tc

Anna Howe was visiting Mrs. Albert Yoder Sunday.

Mr. Gee. Ehlen was a Portland visitor Friday.

Theoda Gribble spent the week end in Portland visiting relatives.

Mrs. Grazer was a Portland visitor Saturday, her daughter Loraine returning home to spend the week end.

Let Piper fix your watch. He will make it keep time. 39-tfc

Henry Ziegler was in Portland on business Friday.

Miss Tillie Fry and Mrs. Carpenter were Portland visitors Tuesday.

Mrs. George Kraus has been spending a few days on the farm with Mrs. John Kraus.

Mrs. Preston and family and Mrs. Anderson and Dan Anderson are spending Thanksgiving in Bend with Mr. and Mrs. Gibson.

Mr. and Mrs. Wade Robbins of Oregon City were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Ziegler Saturday and Sunday.

Buy Christmas gifts, cakes and homemade candy at the Camp Fire Girls' sale Dec. 4, at the Presbyterian church. 47-2tc

Mrs. Albert Ehlen was an Oregon City visitor Monday.

Miss Georgia Kraus is spending the week in Portland with her sister.

Florence Preston is home from school on account of illness.

Ed White made a business trip to Portland Saturday.

Sidonie Nordhaus attended the wedding of Melvin Rueck and Freda Gabrick at the Artisan Hall in Canby Saturday night.

If you need reading glasses, see Piper the jeweler at Woodburn. 39-tfc

Mr. and Mrs. John Carpenter and family, of Salem, were visiting Mrs. Carpenter Sunday.

Mr. Sadler, Geo. Ehlen and E. G. Robinson attended the Commercial meeting in Salem Monday evening in interest of the beet raising.

Help yourself and the Camp Fire Girls by coming to their novelty sale. 47-2tc

Adam Steinback, nephew of Wm. Miley, was in town last week from Portland, shaking hands with friends and relatives.

Mrs. Clara Viel and Florence Viel were visiting Henry Ziegler's Sunday.

Peter Sannes spent Sunday afternoon in Portland.

26 cows will be sold at auction Tuesday, Nov. 30, at 1 p. m., at Ratcliff barn, Woodburn, Ore. See classified ad.

Buy your Christmas novelties at the Camp Fire Girls' sale. 47-2tc

Mrs. Blane was a Canby visitor Monday.

Charles Gosser was one of the lucky boys of Aurora to win a nice Thanksgiving Turkey at the Turkey Shoot in Canby Sunday.

Mrs. McAllister and son are spending Thanksgiving with Mrs. McAllister's mother in Seattle.

Mr. Flannery took Katherine Flannery, Florence Preston and Hazel Steinhoff to a Glee Club party at Monitor Friday evening.

Mrs. Hockins and son of Newport are spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Asquith.

The Aurora school started serving hot soup Monday for lunch. This makes it necessary for parents to see that the children are supplied with bowl and spoon.

There will be a meeting in Wilsonville Dec. 2 at 6.30. Dinner will be served, and a discussion of procuring a highway from Wilsonville to Aurora. Aurora should be interested. E. G. Robinson will attend. How about others?

Mrs. Leonard Coon is back on her job at the cafe after an illness, which kept her in bed for three weeks.

Owing to the absence from the office this week of the editor, Mr. Arthur Kraus and Mrs. Geo. Ziegler kindly helped to supply the local news, for which we express our appreciation.

Try the following addition: The year you was born, your age, the year you was married, how many years you have been married. The sum will be 3852.

We are in receipt of a sizeable box of fine Dellmoor cranberries from the marsh lands of the Clatsop County, with the compliments of the publisher of the Morning Astorian. These are the cranberries which make that county famous and we appreciate the chance to test them out this Thanksgiving Day.

Mrs. Helen Rooklidge will leave shortly for Los Angeles where she will spend the winter and rest up. She has made all arrangements for completing the work on the Missouri Inn.

G. A. Ehlen who had the misfortune to have his safe stolen last week, recovered all his books and papers Thursday morning last week, a few days after the theft. The safe was found near a church close to Newberg. It had been broken open and the contents scattered. The old Studebaker car carrying a California license used to transport the safe, was found abandoned. The thieves had apparently run out of gas and left that car probably finding one more to their liking a little way down the street.

### Knights of Pythians have Card Party

The Knight of Pythians, after the regular routine of business Friday evening last week, enjoyed the evening playing cards, twenty-five members being present. Mr. Schwab captured the prize.

Light refreshments were served. Next Friday there will be another evening of amusement. Be sure and come out.

### Aurora Lutheran Church

Sunday School at 9:30. Be sure to attend the adult Bible class. Teacher Peter Sannes.

The Catechism class also meets of Sundays now. It is hoped that all the children will be present.

Also I wish to give out the selections for Christmas and to have the Sunday school practice a number of songs.

English service at 10:30 and German service at 11:30. The public is cordially welcome.

WM. SCHOELER.

### Thanksgiving

The writer of these lines arrived in this community only a few months ago. It has been my destiny to wander far and wide on this earth, from the time I as a young man left my home in Norway, traveling first through many of the countaies of Europe and then over the Atlantic and across this continent, stopping in several places for a shorter or longer period, until I finally located here. On our journey through "life's dreary path" we meet with people of far different dispositions and conditions of most unequal variety, some people happy and satisfied under prosperous surroundings, some restless and pessimistic under unfavorable environments, all striving to obtain Fortuna's favor, to attain life's fanciful affluence.

The first thing that impressed me after my arrival here was the sentiment of some of the people of the locality toward the ultra-conservative tendencies of some of the individuals of the community. They told me, this is an old religious colony site, and that the leader of the colony had warned his followers against intruders and "not let the wolf in among the sheep." And this admonition had so taken hold of the people in the early days that it became a veritable community spirit, and that this community spirit still lingered and served as an obstruction to progress. It is a very commendable truism in a religious sense not to let the "wolf in among the sheep," but when it comes to building up a community, preconceived ideas about what is best for the people of the community should retract and let an unprejudiced sentiment toward new ideas and possibilities govern the people of Aurora.

Today is Thanksgiving Day, a day set aside by the President of the United States to offer up thanksgiving to God for received blessings during the past year. The people of this community have a reason to be thankful for received benefits. No failure or disaster has happened during the past year, there has been an abundance of everything that goes to make life easy, and when we consider that so many people and communities in different parts of the county and the globe are in want of the necessities and commodities of life on account of crop failure and natural disasters, we should indeed be animated with thankfulness. And let us hope that the growing generation in our community will have an open mind for progress and development, and may good feeling and kind regards more and more be manifested in our people. And let us not forget that the most essential and only enduring wealth is not dollars and cents, is not material blessings, but the enrichments of the inner man, the glorious opportunities in the realm of the unseen, an unstinted approach to Him, to whom the people of the United States today gather to offer up thanks.

Mrs. E. W. Bird and Mrs. A. H. Sperry, of Spokane, are spending a few days in Aurora with Margaret Knapp.

### Hubbard Notes

Mrs. Clarence Thompson and Mrs. Waldo Brown are entertaining the Women's club and their husbands at a "500" party at the country home of Mrs. Brown. These club card parties have become a feature of the social part of the club's work and are meeting with a hearty response from the members.

The woman's Improvement club met at the home of Mrs. E. Erickson Wednesday afternoon, the following members being present: Mesdames Mack, Cleave, Garland, Smith, Marsten, Gimps, Thompson, Carl, Pimble, Miller, Erickson and de Lespinasse. Three members were added at this meeting, Mesdames Cassidy, Jackson and Coleman, making the club membership 32. The program response to roll call names of famous women authors and an interesting talk was given by Mrs. Cleaver on King Tut. The library committee chairman, Mrs. Garland, reported that arrangements had been made with the mayor, Dr. de Lespinasse, to address the community at a public meeting on Monday, November 29, when the parent-teacher association will sponsor an evening program for the purpose of arousing interest in a community hall and library. It is hoped that the town hall will be filled to capacity that night. The next club meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Julius Stauffer on December 9. Mrs. Erickson was assisted by Mrs. Marsten in serving refreshments.

The Hubbard band orchestra composed of Dr. de Lespinasse, Clarence Bevins, Franklin de Lespinasse, Clark Will, Marie and Mrs. de Lespinasse, played at the Clackamas county convention of the Odd Fellows and Rebekahs at Needy Saturday.

The situation in the Hubbard schools is different from what it has been for some time. All the rooms are crowded to capacity and new enrollments are being added weekly. In the high school rooms the seating capacity has reached the limit and two more pupils are coming in shortly. It is clearly seen that Hubbard will have to make up its mind to build either additional class rooms or a separate high school unit. In her recent visit to the school Mrs. Mary L. Fulkerson, county superintendent, expressed herself as being pleased with the growth and the administration of the school. Hubbard is growing fast and something will have to be done to take care of the increase of pupils. It is expected that a meeting will be called to discuss the situation.

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