



Chicken Dinner *By Lutheran Ladies Aid* Church basement, 11:30-1:30 **Sat., Nov. 15th**

PRESEYTERIAN LADIES AID PRESENT LAUGHABLE SHOW

Saturday night there were many laughs in the band hall during the presentation of two home talent plays, sponsored by the Presbyterian Ladies Aid society. Some of them were occasioned by the characters on the stage and some of them by the small boys up front who so far forgot themselves in their utter enjoyment that they furnished a great deal of amusement to those in a position to see the entertainers—both on the stage and off. At one point, Mrs. Lorin Giesy, in the character of Aunt Ophelia, the boss of the show, made her voluminous skirts billow in time with the music, and so intrigued was one small boy that he left his seat and walked almost to the edge of the platform to see how she did it and then shouted with unaffected, boyish enthusiasm while the rest of us held our sides a trifle tighter at the unexpected addition to the evening's entertainment.

The two plays offered, "Between Trains" and "Our Comical Country Cousins", were in direct contrast—the first developing and carrying to a climax a definite plot, while the second portrayed an evening's entertainment of elocution and songs and dances put on by the individual players.

In the sketch, "Between Trains", Mrs. Chester Gilbreath gave an excellent portrayal of a very much flustered girl who had missed a train upon which she was to travel to meet her fiancé to be married. Mrs. N. E. Manock was the judge who expertly took charge of the situation and triumphantly married the two young people over the long distance telephone at the last minute. Mrs. E. J. Snyder was the clever happy who helped rescue her sister in distress and loaned her all her pretty clothes for a trousseau. Mrs. A. L. Strickland was the Irish woman in charge of the railway station who furnished a bit of comedy now and then as the plot was swiftly unfolded. A bit of local color was much appreciated by the audience when the untimely passing of a noisy freight train was made to appear as part of the plot when the Irish woman dashed off stage with one of Mr. Long's official order blanks and returned congratulating herself on delivering that message as the train passed through.

Following a very short intermission, the curtain was again raised, disclosing only a row of empty chairs. Then, from the back of the hall Mrs. Lorin Giesy and Mrs. Aurelia Powers, as Aunt Ophelia and Cousin Sukey, appeared in the most outlandish costumes we have seen in many a day. They sauntered majestically up the aisle, picking out prominent citizens here and there and greeting them with very pointed remarks about their appearance or their company or their duties for the evening. After reaching the stage and seating themselves, they introduced the others in the order of their appearance—Cousin Mollie, a very demure and sweet little girl who could play anything ever written in music, proved to be Maxine Giesy, who took her place at the piano and very ably accompanied the musical numbers. Cousins Delia, Sarah, Jane and Cecelia, four disappointed old maids, who were Mrs. Hunt, Mrs. L. Gribble, Mrs. Frank McAllister and Mrs. F. O. Otaway, came in together and sang songs and danced for us. Mrs. E. M. Hurst, as Aunt Samantha, a very sweet, very old, little lady hobbled in with her cane and told us all about the Old Settlers' meeting she had attended that day. Whether it was the dear

little old black bonnet she wore over her white wig, or her costume as a whole, her appearance gave pause to many a heart in the audience as they saw in her character a mother or friend of older days. Sis Hopkins, with her loud stockings, tightly braided pigtails, and ability to butt in where she was least needed, was very laughably taken by Mrs. H. D. Evans. Mrs. Diana Snyder was a very sweet and bashful Cousin Merindy—and we would like to see beautiful hats like hers worn again! Ma'y Jinnie and her effervescent offspring Topsy, furnished some very funny blackface comedy in recounting the difficulties met with in handling a balky mule. Mrs. Franklyn Tylor and Mrs. Norman Hurst carried these two roles very cleverly.

It would take too many columns to tell of all the funny situations, or of the excellent work of each actress, but we do congratulate the Ladies Aid on the performance as a whole. We were promised many laughs and we had them.

Mrs. Walter Fry and Mrs. B. F. Giesy were the able director and stage manager.

Gross receipts amounted to something like \$80. Candy sales of approximately \$10 paid the actual expenses of the entertainment, leaving a balance of \$70 clear for the ladies' efforts, which goes into the church's general fund.

AURORA WOMEN'S CLUB

Mrs. A. L. Strickland and Mrs. M. H. Evans entertained the Aurora Women's club at the home of Mrs. Evans, Wednesday, November 5. Mrs. G. A. Ehlen presided over the meeting and Mrs. C. E. Gilbreath, Mrs. H. D. Evans and Mrs. A. L. Strickland gave reports of the County Federation held at Hubbard.

A splendid Art report was given by Mrs. B. W. Stoner, and very interesting papers were given following the business meeting. Compulsory Insurance, Mrs. L. R. Reed. Elections, State and County, Mrs. Aurelia Powers. Suffrage, Mrs. B. F. Giesy.

Delicious refreshments were served by the hostesses. The next meeting will be held November 19, at the home of Mrs. W. W. Irwin.

A SURPRISE PARTY

A pleasant surprise was given Arthur Van Vleet at his home, Saturday evening, the occasion being in observance of Mr. Van Vleet's birthday anniversary.

Five-hundred was played, prizes going to Miss Elsie Peecher, Mrs. Ralph Leabo and Gerald Cone.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Henry Miller and Miss Elsie Peecher of Portland; Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Kauffman and Clarence Dawes of Canby; Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Cone, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Leabo and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Van Vleet.

PROFESSOR RAEI TO COMPLETE COLLECTION OF LEGENDS

University of Oregon, Eugene, Nov. 12.—In order to complete his research into the legends of Spanish America in Colorado and New Mexico, Juan B. Rael, professor of Romance languages at the university of Oregon, left this week for the south. Last summer Professor Rael travelled 3,000 miles by automobile collecting these legends, which have been handed down for generations and are in the same form that they were when they were brought over from Spain in the 16th and 17th centuries.

MRS. MARY ELIZABETH SWAN PASSES AWAY AT PORTLAND

Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Swan, 68, wife of J. V. Swan and sister of George W. and Francis E. Yergen of Aurora, died in Portland Tuesday, November 11, at 4:45 p. m. Funeral services will be conducted at the Conservatory Chapel of the East Side Funeral Directors, East 6th and Alder, Portland, Friday, November 14, at 10 a. m. Interment will be at Butteville cemetery.

Mary Elizabeth Swan was born and raised near Aurora and with her husband moved to Portland about 25 years ago. She was the only daughter of August and Elizabeth Yergen, pioneers of the Oregon country, having crossed the plains in 1852.

Mr. and Mrs. August Yergen were married in Missouri and immediately started for the northwest. They located three miles northwest of Aurora where they resided for more than 50 years.

RALPH ZIMMERMAN HONORED

Ralph Zimmerman of Aurora has been nominated by the National Constitution Convention committee, Washington, D. C., as a delegate to attend the National Constitution convention for the solution of the prohibition problem, convening in Washington, D. C., December 8, 1930.

Mr. Zimmerman should be well qualified as a delegate because of his wide and diversified experience in general for many years. He was for a long time connected with some of the largest business firms in Portland as an attorney at law, and has had several years of banking experience, which has given him first hand opportunity to observe the effects of prohibition as it has and does exist. He is a firm believer in moderation in all things, but expresses himself as being opposed to prohibition. He says it was an imposition upon the American public, and an infringement upon man's inalienable rights.

MRS. ELIZABETH YERGEN PASSES IN CALIFORNIA

A telegram was received from Whittier, California, stating that Mrs. Elizabeth Yergen, mother of Eugene and Horace Giesy of Aurora and Mrs. Anna Fleming of California, had passed away suddenly at the home of her sister, Mrs. Boles of Whittier. Binger and Horace left immediately for the south.

Mrs. Yergen was a resident of Aurora for many years rearing her family here. Mrs. Fleming lived in Salem for some time after her marriage.

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Sidonia Nordhausen, superintendent.

A graded school for all ages and a most interesting Bible class for adults. Our adult department is quite a feature of our attendance.

Divine services at 11:00 a. m. Much is being said and speculated about the second coming of Christ in these times. Many interpretations have been made with utter disregard of the principles of Bible interpretation or of good sense; pet ideas have been given undue emphasis so as to throw the whole fundamental Christian doctrine out of balance. If interested in a sane and Scriptural portrayal of Christ's own teachings, you will come to hear this sermon on "The Second Coming of Christ."

The choir meets every Wednesday evening.

And the Luther League again gathers on Thursday evening at 8:00 o'clock.

Saturday is the great day of the annual chicken dinner and bazaar.

ALFRED F. KNORR, Pastor.

WOOL TO HOLD OWN

Although wool production throughout the United States experienced a sharp decrease since 1925, this was not reflected in Oregon, and due to numerous advantages in the state, it seems probable that Oregon manufacturers will be able to maintain this position in the future, it is declared by O. K. Burrell, associate professor of business administration at the University of Oregon, in a bulletin recently issued under the auspices of the research bureau of the school.

STORAGE STOCKS DECREASE

Cold storage holdings of creamery butter, poultry, meats and lard in October were less than holdings at that time for the past five years, according to the bureau of agricultural economics. Stocks of creamery butter were 130,753,000 pounds, against 158,541,000 pounds a year ago, and a five-year average of 134,704,000 pounds.

"NUREMBERG CHRONICLE" GIFT OF JOHN HENRY NASH

University of Oregon, Eugene, Nov. 12.—The "Nuremberg Chronicle," a book printed in 1493 in Germany, has been given to the University of Oregon library by John Henry Nash, world-famous printer of San Francisco. The book is a compilation of ancient chronicles from the beginning of the world to the 15th century.

Good humor is good sense.

Coming Events

Saturday, Nov. 15.—Chicken dinner and bazaar, 11:30 a. m. to 1:30 p. m. Lutheran church basement, by Ladies Aid of the Lutheran church. Adults, 50c plate; children, 25c plate.

Saturday, Nov. 15.—Dance at the Butteville Grange hall, 8:00 o'clock p. m. No admission charge. Under new management; new orchestra. Lunch served.

Thursday, Nov. 20.—Aurora Athletic club meets at Aurora grade school building. No admission charge. Everybody is welcome.

Friday, Nov. 21.—Ladies Aid of Macksburg Lutheran church to hold bazaar in afternoon and free entertainment in evening, followed by luncheon at nominal price. Events will take place in the Macksburg school auditorium.

Monday, Nov. 24.—Public meeting in council chambers in I. O. O. F. hall, 8 o'clock p. m., for purpose of considering proposed budget of city of Aurora for year 1931. See itemized statement in this issue of Observer.

Wednesday, Nov. 26.—Firemen's ball, Aurora Dance hall, 8 o'clock p. m. Admission \$1.00; ladies free. Excellent order promised. New orchestra—Harmony Knights Dance Band of Salem.

Aurora Grade School

School program for Armistice day: Assembly song, "America"; "Why We Belong to the Junior Red Cross"; by Lorraine Fredrickson, Alfred Knorr, Jean Snyder, Dale Miller, Edna Beck, Charles Miller, Theresa Kee and Edwin Garber.

"What is Armistice Day?"; Robert St. Clair.

Tableau, "Those Who Took Part in the War"; by Jimmy and Jean Strickland, Ida Kerr, Carma Otaway, Raymond Keil, Delbert Hill and others. Assembly song, "America, the Beautiful."

Reading, "In Flanders Fields"; Lois Manock.

Essay, written by 11-year-old Volslav Petzarski of Yugoslavia, "What I Can Do for World Peace"; published in Junior Red Cross News, read by Mrs. Tylor.

Achievement pins for 4-H club sewing presented Eleanor Jeskey, Doris Gilbertson, Jewel Colvin, Marie Ferguson, Martha Bradd, Rita Schneider and Evelyn Knorr, by Mrs. Tylor, club leader.

Assembly song, "The Star Spangled Banner."

NEWS FROM WHITE SCHOOL

A new pupil, Beth Eppers, entered school, bringing the enrollment to 41.

Club pins were received for the Cooking club and the Rabbit club last week. Those receiving cooking pins were: Esther Grim, Ida Sonnen, Myrtle Bliss, Leona Colvin, Helen Hill, Doris Stauffer, Helen Myers, Marguerite Colvin, Lena Mae Gieswein, Doris Lane and Robert Stauffer. Members of Rabbit club to receive pins were: Frank Tolbert, Robert Stauffer, Warren Grim, Gordon Conrad, Willard Saunders, William Tolbert and Billy Danforth.

Two new clubs have been organized, Cooking club and Camp Cooking club. Officers for the Cooking club are: President, Myrtle Bliss; vice president, Hazel Carothers; secretary and treasurer, Ida Sonnen; reporter, Hazel Carothers. Officers for Camp Cooking club: President, Willard Saunders; vice president, Frank Tolbert; secretary and treasurer, Gordon Conrad.

Mrs. George Pardy, president of the White School Social meeting, has selected for refreshment committee, Mrs. Henry Pardy, chairman; Mrs. Martin Krupicka, Mrs. Fred Gieswein. Two program committees were selected for older people—Mrs. Julia Stauffer, chairman; Mrs. Earl Grim, Mrs. Emil Murson, John Stauffer. For the young people—Mildred Smith, chairman; Esther Dickson, Laura Sonnen, Josephine Conrad.

NEW TELEPHONE DIRECTORY GOES TO PRESS THIS MONTH

The new telephone directory for Aurora Mutual Telephone company goes to press this month. If you are contemplating putting in a phone or desire any change in address or number, you should notify the local telephone office immediately.

The new directory will include the names of Aurora, Canby, Needy and Monitor—more than 800 names—and will be issued about the first of December. For advertising rates in the book, see or phone the Aurora Observer.

Take advantage of the low price of shingles and re-cover your buildings. All kinds of shingles at Aurora Lumber Co. 41-4f.

MORPHINE FOUND IN CAR AFTER IT IS WRECKED

An unusual coincidence occurred to George Murphy and Donald Winslow of Molalla recently when they, in company with two others, attended a show in Oregon City.

The party left the car parked on the street when they went into the theatre and when they came out the car was gone. They called Harold Timble of Molalla to come after them. He went and as one of the party lived near Portland took him home first.

On the way to Portland they came up behind a car that seemed to be reeling from one side of the road to the other as if it were out of control of the driver. The young people stayed behind the machine for a long way on account of the dense fog. Finally the machine took a sudden turn to the right and went over a 12-foot embankment.

The Molalla boy got out to offer assistance and found that the car was the one stolen in Oregon City. Murphy and Winslow held the man there until Timble drove back to Oregon City for the police.

The man was under the influence of narcotics, not being able to give any information about himself or how he happened to be there. They found a large amount of morphine in the car. He is being held in the Oregon City jail until he can identify himself. The Murphy car was damaged when it turned over.

NEW PRIZE ADDED

University of Oregon, Eugene, Nov. 12.—A silver cup for the best mimeographed high school newspaper, from a mechanical point of view, is to be added to the list of prizes given each year at the annual high school conference at the University of Oregon. W. E. Finzer & Co., of Portland will give the cup, which will be in addition to the one given for the best edited mimeographed paper. The conference will be held sometime in January.

MAPLEWOOD GRANGE NOTES

Maplewood grange has placed a new roof on their hall. This adds much to the appearance of the hall.

On Saturday, November 1, a special meeting was held to initiate several new members. Preceding the initiation a pot-luck supper was served, which every one enjoyed.

The Women's club is rapidly completing their many articles for the bazaar, which will be held on the afternoon and evening of November 14. A pot-luck supper will be served at 6:30, after which there will be several enjoyable features.

The Maplewood drill team were hosts to 18 tables of "500" at the "Stag and Stagette" party on Friday evening. The ladies played upstairs and the gents down-stairs. To add to the color the feminine gents and masculine ladies wore crepe paper caps. Several of the prizes were donated by members, as was some of the luncheon.

First prize for the ladies was won by Mrs. Chris Schwartz, second by Mrs. Julius Stauffer. The "Stag" first went to Arden Harms, and Phil Wiegand won second. The consolation prizes were given to Mrs. Lena Bany and Walter Goetz. The men having the most tables drew the door prize which was given to Clarence Williams.

J. C. Johnston and M. Zaltan of Pasco, Washington, and Mrs. Crosby of Vancouver, Washington, were in Aurora Monday purchasing walnuts. They called on Mrs. Diana Snyder, who is Mr. Johnston's sister.

PRE-SCHOOL CLINIC OPENS IN AURORA NEXT THURSDAY

Next Thursday, November 20, at 1:00 o'clock, the Aurora pre-school clinic opens in the clinic rooms above the postoffice. The babies and children up to school age will be weighed and measured and examined and their mothers may ask the doctor and nurse questions as to their care and feeding. If they are normal, their habits regular and their diet complete, their mothers will have the great satisfaction of hearing a physician say so. On the other hand, there are many things busy mothers can not find out for themselves or know by instinct, on which the doctor and nurse will be ready to give expert advice. This is a privilege gladly paid for by those who live in the cities where it is available and which is absolutely unobtainable in most of the small towns in the United States. Marion county has been exceptionally fortunate in having these very wonderful preventive clinics in every locality these past five years. The accurate records of results attained are a remarkable testimony of their effectiveness and a convincing argument in favor of their continuance.

The only little thing necessary to do, is to phone Mrs. W. J. Wurster for an appointment so you won't waste any time waiting your turn, and then to bring your baby to the clinic, over the postoffice, on November 20.

RASPBERRIES IN NOVEMBER

Fred Drager, gardener and all-round horticulturist of Aurora, brought to this office last Thursday ripe strawberries of the Marshall variety and also enough raspberries for a pie gathered that day from his berry fields. Mr. Drager said this was so unusual as to attract his attention, and he thought it worthy of mention that raspberries were gathered this late in the season—not merely a few in a protected spot, but several pails full out in the open.

GASOLINE STOLEN FROM CAR

While Mrs. James E. Taylor was attending Pythian Sisters lodge meeting in Aurora Wednesday evening, someone emptied the gasoline tank on her car.

Mrs. Taylor had just had the tank filled. The thief's container evidently was not large enough to hold the 10 gallons as a quantity was wasted, signs about the car indicated.

DISPOSES OF 650 POUNDS DRESSED SALMON IN AURORA

L. M. Stonebreaker of Waldport was in Aurora Wednesday with a load of salmon which he had taken from the water the night before. The entire amount of fish, 650 pounds, was easily disposed of in Aurora in less than two hours by Mr. Stonebreaker, and at that the supply was not equal to the demand.

While in town Mr. Stonebreaker was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Strickland.

D. A. YODER WILL ADD POOL TABLES TO BUSINESS

D. A. Yoder, proprietor of the stage depot, confectionery and restaurant, is having the interior of his building remodeled, a petition put in and other changes made preparatory to adding pool and card tables. Mr. Yoder expects to have everything in readiness for play about the first of next week.

J. C. Johnston and M. Zaltan of Pasco, Washington, and Mrs. Crosby of Vancouver, Washington, were in Aurora Monday purchasing walnuts. They called on Mrs. Diana Snyder, who is Mr. Johnston's sister.

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