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BIG MEET IN DALLAS.

Prominent Men Speak on War Issues Wednesday Night.

Dallas Commercial Club Entertains Council of Defense.

Hon. R. N. Stanfield, candidate for U. S. senator, E. J. Adams, of Highway Commissions, Ben Selling, of Armenian War Relief Work and J. K. Kollock of Council of Defense were the principal speakers.

Mr. Adams gave an eloquent address on the war situation and on the highways, stating it would probably be impossible to do much highway work this year and advancing the idea that the reserves in Oregon should be kept up by the whole United States instead of by Oregon alone. He then made a dedication speech of the Dallas Commercial Clubs service flag which had five stars upon it, closing with that beautiful poem, "The Flag With Its One Blue Star."

Rep. R. N. Stanfield was next introduced and spoke from the point of a business man and successful stock man and farmer. He stated: "Our first sacred duty is to win this war. These are serious times. Times when we must know the men around us and who are with us. Times when patriotism is our first duty. Times when we must give freely until it hurts, and then hurts more, for the cause of democracy, America and her allies."

"We all want to do our bit for the government and it is not for us to criticize what has been done, but see that whatever mistakes have been made, be not made again. It is a time when the business of the government requires the energy and efforts of our best business men and when private, personal questions shall be laid aside that we do the best, the most for our country."

Ben Selling followed and stated: "As a Jew I am speaking for the Armenian Christians who have been murdered and willfully slaughtered by the thousands and thousands by the unspeakable Turks. Over 1,000,000 Armenians were thrown in the sea by the order of the Turkish government; two million old men, women and children are left there to starve. Children are eating the dirt from the streets and the fifth and old bones left to decay. The young women have been taken to the harems and this condition is brought about because they are Christians and not Mohammedans. We are responsible to a great extent for this condition. Our missionaries christianized them and our Christians should unite to aid them in this awful hour of tragic horror." J. K. Kollock spoke of the

Council of Defense and its work and plans and gave the members of that organization of this county much good advice.

Hon. I. L. Patterson, Dr. H. Chas. Dunsmore and E. C. Kirkpatrick were among the local speakers of the evening and W. V. Fuller of Dallas was chairman of the meeting. There was a good attendance and a further meeting was scheduled for Thursday afternoon.

About ten of the citizens of Independence were present.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Regular services at Calvary Presbyterian church next Sunday both morning and evening. Special music will be a feature of the evening service, at which time Dr. Dunsmore will deliver the fifth of the series of Sunday evening addresses on "Night Scenes in the Bible," his subject being, "David's Night at the Jordan." The public is cordially invited.

MAN OF NATIONAL IMPORTANCE SPEAKS AT DALLAS.

Just From Russia, Armenia and Turkey—Has Seen Worst of War Horrors.

The following telegram was received by the Monitor just as we are going to press. Every citizen who can go to Dallas should go.

Portland, Mar. 21, 12:40 P. M. Monitor, Independence:

Frederick Coan, born in Persia, educated American, eye witness to Armenian massacres, saw bleaching skeletons by the thousands after deportation. With five other men protected twenty thousand Christians five months and until rescued by Russians. Only six days in Oregon. Speaks at Dallas court house, Saturday, 1:15 P. M.

His own daughter in Turkey in danger of massacre. Best speaker in the United States on Armenian relief.

Ben Selling.

Mr. Selling was in Dallas Wednesday at the Commercial Club Council of Defense meeting and spoke tellingly of the Armenian situation.

Polk county is to raise \$4,000 for the help of those dying in Armenia and this sum of money will care for 800 Armenians for a month. A committee of fifteen men was selected at the Dallas meeting to take care of the campaign and Polk has promised to go over the top in the six days allotted it for this purpose.

C. W. Barrick is committee man from Independence for this money raising campaign. Every citizen should contribute to this fund. Do your part at once.

The annual congregational meeting of Calvary Presbyterian church will be held next Thursday evening, March 28, in the church at 7:00 P. M.

RED CROSS ENTERTAINMENT AT METHODIST CHURCH

Voice pupils of Miss Lena Belle Tartar and violin pupils of Miss Elizabeth Levy will be presented in recital on Sunday afternoon, March 24, at three o'clock sharp at the Methodist church in Independence. Mabel Clair Ground and Mildred Brunk will serve as accompanists. The program is promoted by the local branch of the

American Red Cross and a silver offering will be taken, all proceeds to go to the local branch of the Red Cross. The general public is invited and urged to attend.

The Misses Paddock, Poling, Collins, Owings, Butler and Smith; Mrs. Webster, Dr. Barrick and C. W. Barrick will take part in the program. Several young folks are in the last number.

GLEE CLUB ENTERTAINS.

The Willamette University Boys Give Fine Program.

One of Best Entertainments People are Privileged to Hear at Moderate Prices.

A medium sized audience was in attendance at the Willamette University Glee Club entertainment Tuesday evening at the M. E. church. The glee club consists of eighteen young university men, all of whom were present but Loren Barber who is now in the U. S. Naval Service.

The program was in two parts, the first number being a Willamette University chorus, "The Jolly Students." This brought an encore which was well appreciated. The program followed: "The Chase," piano solo by Miss "Sunset," University quartette; followed by an encore, patriotic song; "The Pirate's Wooing," solo by Fred McGrew; "Two Grenadiers," Glee Club; Reading by Fred McGrew; "Pipes 'O' Pan," Archie H. Smith; "Mandalay," encore; dialogue, "Squirrel Food."

Part Two

"The Sunshine of Your Smile," Miss "Bugle Song," Glee Club; "Mamma's Lullaby," Glee Club; "Winter Song," quartette; "Bluebells of Scotland," Glee Club; "Hens," Glee Club; Impersonation, Gus Anderson; "Stars and Stripes," Glee Club; "Ode to Willamette," Glee Club.

Harry Bowers, president of the club, has a wonderful, well trained bass voice and was a big attraction. Harold Emel and Roswell Waltz were artists in the vaudeville line and their rendition of "Squirrel Food" was better than the majority of acts shown on a good vaudeville stage. The quartette was well trained and had well blending rich voices and was a credit to the University.

The Monitor believes it expresses the opinion of the entire audience present when it states that the entertainment would be a credit to a Chautauqua circuit and was better than many of the best attractions we have seen in these circuits.

Rev. Yarnes has the thanks of the music lovers of our city for bringing these boys to Independence.

WAR GARDENS.

Public Meeting at Isis Monday at 3:30 P. M.

Arrangements have been made to have some prominent speakers present at the Isis theatre Monday at 3:30 P. M. when a big war garden public meeting will be held. All invited to be present.

WAR RELIEF WORK.

The W. C. T. U. Doing War Work Service.

The W. C. T. U. is doing many worthy things, first of all it being a Christian organization and doing all its work in a Christian way. It is a patriotic organization, having worked for the soldiers and sailors for thirty years and more, sending the housewives' comfort bags, magazines, candy and a remembrance at Christmas time.

Thousands of housewives were given the Spanish-American war soldiers by the W. C. T. U. In

four months' time the W. C. T. U. sent from state headquarters over a half million articles to various departments for war relief, large quantities having been sent direct to our 162nd or Third Oregon troops. Through the National W. C. T. U. one of the first ambulance cars to go to France was bought and equipped by this organization.—Contributed.

HEADQUARTERS IN INDEPENDENCE.

Electrical Construction Department of Southern Pacific Between Corvallis and Whiteson

The Southern Pacific electrical construction department of their railway service is divided into several sections and a crew of men are in charge of the work of each section. The section lying between Corvallis and Whiteson is under the supervision of G. H. Leavell. Besides Mr. Leavell there are one lineman and three helpers, making five men in all. These men have charge of all the overhead work and general repair and improvement work of the system. All of these men make their headquarters in our city.

COMMITTEES APPOINTED.

War Saving Drive to be Made in Our City.

Town to be Divided into Districts and Each to be Canvassed.

At a meeting of the War Saving Stamp Committee Monday a plan was arranged for the house to house publicity campaign as follows:

The city was divided into five districts, and each district assigned to two members of the committee, who in turn were to select two or more ladies to assist in the work of canvassing the district. The districts and assignments are as follows:

District No. 1: All territory north of the creek—Homer S. Wood, F. E. Young, Gladys Irvine, Mrs. F. E. Young.

District No. 2: From B street north to the creek—A. C. Moore, H. C. Dunsmore, Lavilla Cooper, Vivian Whiteaker.

District No. 3: From B street south to Monmouth street—T. D. Yarnes, J. S. Bohannon, Mrs. J. S. Cooper, Jr., Mrs. Pengra, Mrs. Harold Fitchard.

District No. 4: From Monmouth street to F street—Professor Wright, R. R. DeArmond, Miss Holt, Miss Rigdon.

District No. 5: From F street south to the city limits—R. W. Baker, C. W. Barrick, Mrs. Frank Smith.

C. W. Barrick, Chairman.

DROPS HER STITCHES.

One of our fair young "school maams" is a Red Cross worker and was industriously plying the needles on hole proof rosery at the Willamette musicale Tuesday evening. She wanted to work—but she just couldn't, and finally this remark was overheard: "I want to be patriotic but no one will let me." Now, that is downright mean we say, and who ever interferes with industrious working school maams should be seriously be reprimanded and the Monitor does here and now duly, unqualifiedly and publicly reprimand them seriously, judiciously and scathingly.

SHIPPING INDUSTRY.

Ship Knees Secured in Polk County.

Car Shipped Out Saturday Through Independence For Portland.

Several parties are in the business of getting out ship knees for the Portland ship yards from Polk county timber. This work is profitable to those engaged in the work and is a growing industry in the county.

Lacey & Chapin of Parker took a contract a short time ago and Saturday shipped out a car of ship knees for Portland. There are about 90 knees to a car. These were secured from a twenty-five acre farm near Parker. Mr. Lacey stated to the editor of the Monitor that there was no difficulty in securing contracts for this work and that the pay was good. They expect to go to Eugene soon and from a larger acreage there will get out several cars.

Fred Stump of Suver is in this business quite extensively and has shipped out about six cars and has contracts before him for five or six cars more. He is securing his supply from the timber on Soap Creek at his own farm.

In getting these knees green timber is used and the root of the tree and from four to seven feet of the tree proper are taken according to the blue print requirements, the average being about five feet.

There are a number of other firms in this business in the county and more contracts can easily be secured by those wanting to enter into this class of work.

LEAVES FOR FRONT NEXT THURSDAY.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Baughman arrived in Independence Sunday from Oregon City, where Mr. Baughman has been in the operating department of the Portland Light & Power Company. In an interview with the editor he states he will leave Independence Thursday for Fort Myers, Virginia, where he will join the 87th Engineers regiment. This regiment is composed exclusively of electrical engineers and will have about six companies or 1400 men. The company will leave for France it is reported just as soon as it is equipped and fully manned. Engineers are being secured from every state for this company and Mr. Baughman will be assigned to duty in the operating department of the service. Mrs. Baughman was with him at Independence and will probably make her home during the term of the war with Mrs. J. Dornise.

HON. R. N. STANFIELD VISITS POLK COUNTY

It was my pleasure to interview Hon. R. N. Stanfield while he was in Dallas Wednesday evening. I have met Mr. Stanfield personally in Eastern Oregon, where his interests are partially located in the county I have recently left to come here. I know many of his friends and much of him, consequently I was much interested in what he had to say.

"I am pleased to meet the people of Polk county and especially to attend the meeting being held in Dallas this evening," said Mr. Stanfield "Because I feel keenly the need of such an organization of our people along progressive,

energetic, war lines, I was glad to see the service flag dedicated, because there is nothing we should leave undone to help, assist and honor the men who are in the front lines and these little acts show the spirit and patriotism of our people and caused them to remember and reflect that our boys—the boys from our own communities—are in the front, and every call made on us for money, for supplies, for help at home is for the immediate benefit of our own boys in the front lines of the battle fields of Europe.

"Our people have looked at this war too much as an overseas war. They have not realized that the men are being rushed to the front and that we must prepare properly to assist and aid them. They must have supplies, ammunition, ships, guns and food and we must not be slackers at home. We must speed up to meet the requirements of the times."

In speaking of his candidacy he said: "Only about four per cent of the representatives of our congress are business men. The senate is filled with lawyers and professional men. I believe this is a time for business men to do their bit. This war question is a big business question and as a business man, farmer and stockman I believe I can do service for the country if elected. If I did not think so I certainly would not be a candidate. This is no time for trifling. It is a time for business capability and organization and if I am elected I shall go to Washington determined to do everything in my power to help organize the business, commercial and farming interests along progressive, up-to-date methods, as I see them and help our president in the mighty task he has before him. I do not wish to go to hinder this work but to help it. To do what the country needs and what I know the people will think is right."

After the meeting at Dallas Mr. Stanfield left for Portland.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

North Portland, Or., March 19, 1918.

Special to the Independence Monitor. Cattle receipts this week, 1900. The receipts are marked by the quality of stuff shown. In almost every instance there has been an upward tendency for best offerings and the top price of the season has been recorded for prime hay-fed steers. A bunch of Eastern Oregon steers averaging 1150 pounds went at 11.50. This is the highest price ever paid in the open market at North Portland for this class of cattle. Receipts this week are somewhat larger than for the same period during the last several weeks. Not only have receipts been much improved upon. Trading has been keen and quotations are as follows: Good to choice steers 11.00 to 11.80; Medium to good steers 10.00 to 11.00; Common and medium steers 8.50 to 10.00; Cows and heifers 8.00 to 9.50; Canners 4.25 to 6.25; Bulls 5.00 to 6.00; Calves 7.50 to 12.00; Stockers and feeders 6.50 to 9.50.

Hogs receipts Monday, 3060, today 500. From an inactive start hogs finished active and stronger. This in fact of a decline East. Quality of hogs Monday was nothing to speak of and considering this start-off for the week was at least 10 higher than a week ago. Today hogs are selling as high as 7.25, with a good strong feeling. Quotations are: Prime lights 17.00 to 17.20; Prime heavies 16.75 to 17.00; Pigs 14.00 to 15.25; Bulk 16.00 to 17.00. The sheep market has been practically inactive all week. Yesterday a handful of 300 arrived but today there are no receipts in this division. Anything like sheep sell for top price. Quotation are: Western lambs 15.00 to 15.50; Valley lambs 14.50 to 15.00; Yearlings 13.00 to 13.50; Wethers 12.50 to 13.00; Ewes 9.00 to 12.00.

Alarm clocks, \$1.00. No more at this price after this date sold. O. A. Kreamer.

MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION

Bi-Monthly Meetings Big Success.

Association is Progressive Body Doing Good for Community and Farmers.

Every two weeks the Business Mens' Association meets for the discussion of matters of interest to the community, the farmer and the business men. This club is, to a certain extent, in the nature of a Commercial Club, but confines its activities more to the betterment of conditions than to the location and bringing in of settlers. It is also an organization that is protective in that it looks to the credit system of the business interests, but with that point it stops in so far as a protective policy is concerned.

At each meeting two farmers are invited by one member of the organization to be present and these farmers are selected from different adjacent communities. The farmers who have attended these meetings are P. T. Peterson and E. Zalesch of Parker, J. A. Reynolds and Geo. Wells of Buena Vista, and Ed Rex of near Oak Point. At the last meeting Ed Rex and Robert DeArmond were the invited members from the farming community, but Mr. DeArmond had to be in Dallas and could not attend. At this meeting County Judge E. C. Kirkpatrick and John C. Uglov of Dallas were also present as invited guests.

By these meetings the business men learn from the farmers present some of the desires and needs of the farming community and the farmers present learn the purposes and plans of the business men of this city, thereby cultivating a closer fraternal spirit between these different business interests.

The organization is proving a decided success and the business men learn much of mutual benefit by the interchange of progressive thoughts and plans.

CLOTHING IS WANTED.

Help the Suffering Belgians and French by Donating Clothing.

Please bring your spare clothing to the Red Cross rooms or to the office of Spaulding Logging Company to be sent to the suffering people of Belgium and Northern France. Don't put it off. Monday, March 25, is the last day. The articles most needed are shirts, underwear, coats, trousers, suits, overcoats, shoes, sweaters, socks, overalls for men, women, boys, girls and infants. You have all read about the suffering in Belgium and Northern France. Let us help them.

B. E. Smith, Chairman Indep. Branch A. R. C.

TO ADVERTISERS AND NEWS FRIENDS.

In order to get the Monitor to our subscribers Friday morning, the day of issue of this paper, we must close our paper forms at noon Thursday. We are going to publish a Friday paper and not a Saturday paper, so we should have our news matter all in the office by Thursday at 10:00 A. M. We would especially ask that you give us such news and the matter you have of interest to the public by Wednesday evening if possible, the earlier the better. Late news notes are the stumbling blocks of a newspaper.

Advertisers whose ads appear in the inside sheets of the paper will be printed Tuesday evening, so if they are to be changed the copy must reach us Tuesday. The last page ads can go over until Wednesday afternoon.

If you follow these instructions you will help give all a paper that will reach the people the day it is supposed to reach them. Help us by doing your part.

Sincerely Yours, Gus A. Hurley, Editor.