

Y. M. C. A. TO ASSIST IN SPEEDING SHIPS

Huts Established in Plants in Portland District to Give Workers Comfort.

YARDS TO ERECT QUARTERS

Persons Behind Move Say That Increase of at Least 10 Per Cent in Output of Tonnage Will Be Result of Association's Work.

A comprehensive program for speeding up shipbuilding by bettering the conditions and surroundings of the workmen in the plants is to be launched at once by the Y. M. C. A. Details regarding the establishment of Y. M. C. A. huts of a modern nature in the majority of all local plants were announced yesterday by L. G. Nichols, industrial secretary and executive head of the new undertaking.

The program is similar in nature to that already demonstrated in several Eastern factories and mills to be a success. Those behind the move claim as a minimum for the move an increase of 10 per cent in the output of tonnage turned out by industrial plants.

In each large shipyard the management will erect a Y. M. C. A. building, the cost to be met by the company and the Y. M. C. A. to take charge, having a secretary on the regular Y. M. C. A. payroll. These buildings will be thoroughly modern, with gymnasiums, cafeterias, reading rooms and quarters where meetings will be held.

Four Secretaries at Work. Mr. Nichols said yesterday that the Y. M. C. A. already has four secretaries in local shipyards and has requests from two other plants for men. They will take charge of the new buildings when completed. Mr. Nichols will leave soon for a few weeks' trip East to look over similar structures in other cities so that Portland can profit by the mistakes of other cities where the plan has been tried.

Portland's minimum output of ships this year, said Mr. Nichols yesterday, is estimated at approximately \$60,000,000 in dead weight. We are morally certain that this output can be increased 10 per cent by our plan of increasing efficiency by building up good feeling among the men. An increase of 10 per cent will mean additional tonnage, enough to provide for about 15,000 men in France.

Comforts to Be Provided. "We propose first to provide quarters where the men can be comfortable during leisure time. We will have lockers where they can keep dry, clean clothes. We will have a place where they can wash after work. We will have large cafeterias where they can get good warm meals. On top of these things will come a series of lectures, gymnasium classes, social entertainments and affairs of that sort not only to promote good fellowship, but also to promote good feeling on the part of each workman."

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Government Pays Cost. "It is a work that has proved successful in the East and is accordingly being rapidly enlarged on by the Government. For example the Government is spending \$50,000 for a Y. M. C. A. building at the Merchants Shipbuilding Company plant at Bristol, Pa. The Government is just completing a similar building to cost \$100,000 at the Hog Island shipyard. Two buildings are being erected at the plants of the Duponts for the purpose of speeding up munitions work. Two buildings are being erected at the American Nitrate Company in Alabama, and a \$40,000 building at the plant of the Gulf States Steel Company.

WAR GARDENS BOOSTED

SEED POTATOES DISTRIBUTED BY CONSERVATION LEAGUE.

Laurelhurst District Offers Unusual Opportunities to Gardeners Who Are Still Seeking Land.

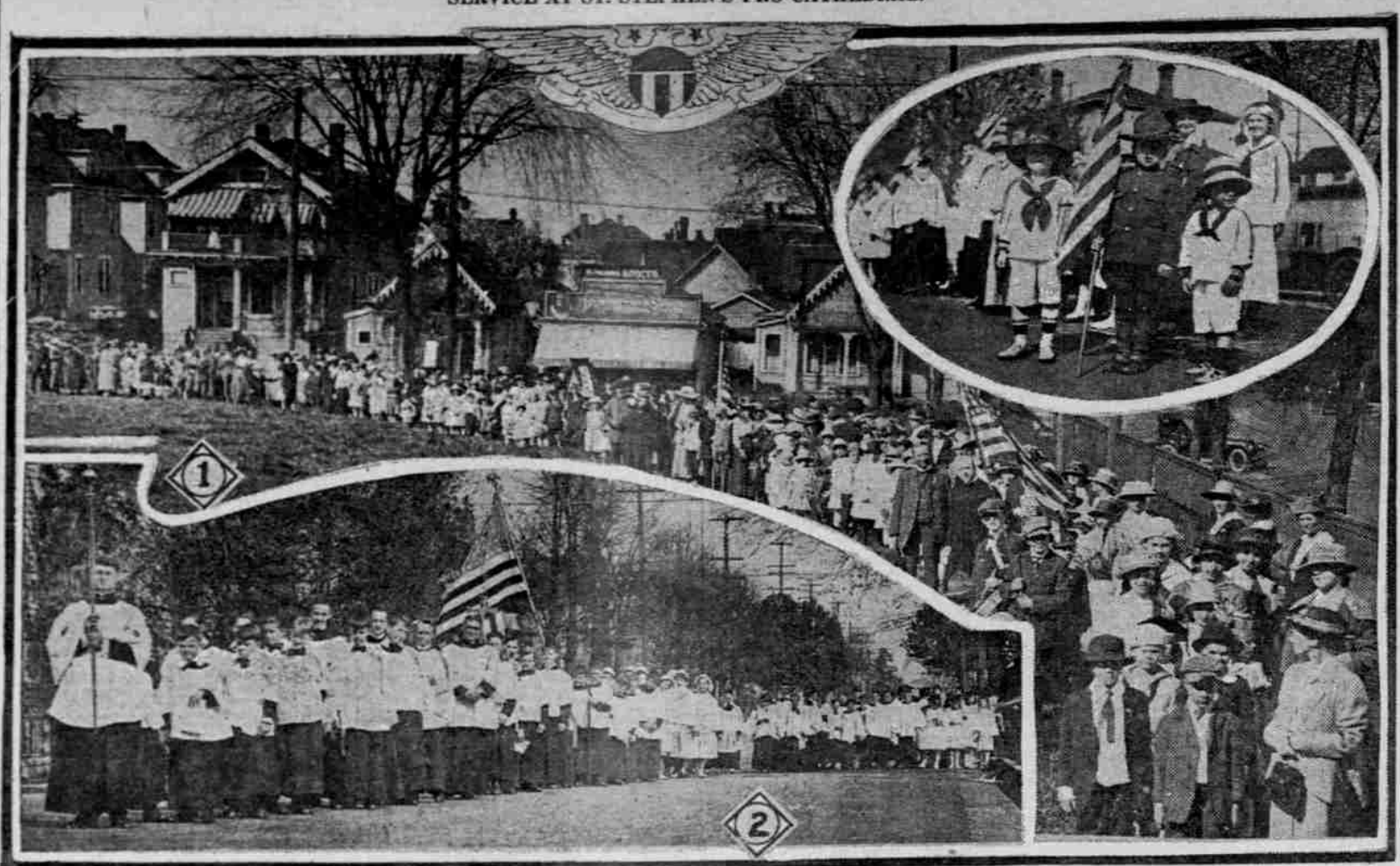
Four hundred sacks of fine seed potatoes are being distributed to war gardeners by the Patriotic Conservation League, for free use in planting the city's vacant lots to this important crop, the only stipulation being that an equal amount be returned when the harvest days are over. Application for the free seed potatoes should be made to the league, 728 Corbett building, Main street. The number of potatoes is limited. It is expected that the offer will remain in force for only a few days. It is made by the generosity of a citizen who wishes the war garden campaign to prosper.

To war gardeners who are still looking for vacant lots to cultivate, the Laurelhurst district offers unusual opportunities, says Ferdinand E. Reed, director of the drive. There are many lots in Laurelhurst offered free of rental to war gardeners. Some were under cultivation last season, and all are adapted to gardening. Application should be made to Paul C. Murphy, 27 1/2 Stark street.

Hood River Bridge Started. HOOD RIVER, Or., April 21.—(Special.)—Men are engaged in finishing the work of sinking caissons for the piers of the new concrete bridge of the Columbia River Highway spanning Hood River here. The new structure will be constructed jointly at a cost of approximately \$40,000 by the State Highway Commission and Hood River County. It will be built just north of a wooden approach and steel span across the river.

Aberdeen to Entertain Host. ABERDEEN, Wash., April 21.—(Special.)—The annual meeting of the Washington State Federation of Labor is to open in Aberdeen June 24. Aberdeen is preparing to entertain upwards of 300 delegates and will start immediately gathering funds for the purpose.

EPISCOPAL SUNDAY SCHOOL CHILDREN AND CHOIRS FORM PATRIOTIC AND RELIGIOUS PAGEANT IN MARCHING TO THEIR RALLY SERVICE AT ST. STEPHEN'S PRO-CATHEDRAL.



1—Children Forming for Their Procession. 2—Choirs With Cross and Flag That Led the Little Ones From Portland Academy to the Church. 3—Patriotic Sunday School Lads, Jack Ker, Billy West and Peter Jewett.

'TRAPPED' TOPS BILL

Headline Act at Orpheum Full of Dramatic Action.

ELIZABETH MURRAY SCORES

Four Haley Sisters, in Popular Songs, Recalled a Dozen Times. Jack Clifford, in Dancing Act, One of Features.

BY LEONE CASS BAER.

Timely, topical and tantalizing in its dramatic suspense is the sketch "Trapped," which headlines and is the most interesting number on the new bill at the Orpheum.

Edwin Arden, who is one of the really distinguished American actors who have forsaken the legitimate for the vaudeville stage, plays the principal role. To discuss the play's means, to discuss the plot, to discuss the story, and that is certainly not fair to the folk who have yet to enjoy Mr. Arden's excellent acting and the splendidly mounted drama in which he stars.

Sometimes you can tell things and not spoil it for others, and again you can't. For instance, would you have liked it last week before you saw the Orpheum show to know that Tarzan was a chimpanzee at all, but a clever human dwarf, characterized by a wounded patriot; Ruth Lee, as an American girl; Harry Leighton, as a secret service man; and Mr. Arden, as Major John Dent, U. S. A., make up the cast.

Elizabeth Murray Scores. Mr. Arden's methods are so sincere, so unforced that his playing of the role finds us paying him the honest tribute of feeling that he doesn't act at all, that he is really Major Dent, worn out and dead for sleep, carrying out a secret mission for our Government.

Elizabeth M. Murray, in songs and stories delights. Miss Murray is making her first visit to us now, but her fame has preceded her, and we were all that he is really Major Dent, worn out and dead for sleep, carrying out a secret mission for our Government.

The four Haley sisters may all belong to Mr. and Mrs. Haley, but one of them is Charles Greenwood's cousin. Long of nether limb, and full of harmony and comedy that tall Haley girl had all hanging on her every little movement. The other three Haley look alike but sound differently. One is a high fluted soprano and the others range around between her and the tall contraltoish one.

Bill is Well Balanced. They all dress alike and their staging is a joy forever. They sing popular melodies and were recalled a dozen times yesterday and could have stopped the show if they'd been more generous and sung instead of howling nine times. Nobody wanted to see 'em bow. We wanted to hear more of their crooning-get-you-going singing.

Jack Clifford, minus Evelyn Nesbit, returns to stage an attractive dance novelty called "A Country Side," which is a blending of fact and fantasy. Mr. Clifford is a sensational dancer of the whirlwind sort, and he brings two partners, Agnes Dunn and Gertrude Kerpin, who step and sing. As a wild finale Mr. Clifford whirls madly while both girls cling to his neck, with their bodies stretched horizontally through space. They all carry life insurance. I hope the orchestra does.

Billie Reeves returns on his annual tour of inebritation. His Charlie Chaplinesque methods are decidedly funny, but his sketch is a sad mess. Percy Brennan, who depicts the chap who looks too long into his cups and sings and talks about it. Percy's partner, Winnie Baldwin, still pleases us with her song about Paul, and together they ukelele and sing.

Gwen Lewis, an English girl, appears in smiles and nicely enunciated sings and chats at the piano.

COUSINS MEET IN FRANCE

Portland Railroad Terminal to Undergo Inspection.

SEATTLE, Wash., April 21.—(Special.)—R. H. Alston, of Chicago, regional director of railways for territory

west of Chicago, will reach Seattle about May 1 on a trip of inspection of the terminals of Portland and Seattle and to study the developments in the way of conservation of motive power, equipment, unification and consolidation of the railway facilities on the Coast.

The commission will hold a brief session at the Oregon-Washington station Monday morning, and in the afternoon the central or general managers committee will discuss further the proposed unification of the Seattle terminals and freight handling. It is said that the work of unification has been delayed because of the various new points regarding the less-than-carload freight service, and Superintendent McCullough's recommendations that the Northern Pacific be designated as the United States railway for this class of tonnage.

Under Mr. McCullough's plan, as reported to Mr. Alston, the Northern Pacific would warehouse and handle this class of business in and out of Seattle, other lines being designated to take care of carload and other movement. Committee representatives of each of the lines have taken the position that each should share this business.

NEW SONGS ARE IN FAVOR

"ENGINEER GIRLS," "MARCHING SONG OF 31ST ENGINEERS," HIT.

Words Are by Frank Fox, of Co. D, and Music by Mrs. Stuart C. Godfrey, Wife of Lieutenant Godfrey.

Rapidly leaping into public attention and liking are two regimental songs, "Engineer Girls" and "Marching Song of the 31st Engineers," the words of which were composed by Frank Fox, of Company D, and the music by Mrs. Stuart C. Godfrey, wife of Lieutenant-Colonel Godfrey.

The songs have been put out in most attractive form, the cover of the "Engineer Girls" songbook being the original work of Billy Williams, of Company D. It shows a pretty maid waving a white flag to a band of soldiers.

The cover for the songbook of the "Marching Song of the 31st Engineers" is unusually novel, and shows a collection of patriotic motifs in tones of bronze, black and yellow. It is the design of Harvey N. Heater, of Company D. The music is tuneful and has a whistling quality.

The music sheets are on sale at the Army post. All communications relative to them, may be addressed to Mrs. Stuart Godfrey, Vancouver Barracks, Vancouver, Wash.

Miss Jean MacKenzie has copies for sale in Portland and this week they are to be placed in hotel lockers.

IDLERS ONLY AFFECTED

NEW ORDINANCE WILL NOT INVOLVE RIGHTS OF WORKERS.

Mayor Baker Frowns on Attempt to Insert Ideas Expressed in Anti-picketing Law, Recently Annulled.

The city's new ordinance against idlers will not carry any provision which might in any way affect the rights of working people. Assurance to this effect has been given by Mayor Baker, who has instructed City Attorney LaRoche to prepare the measure purely to affect men of the won't work kind.

An effort has been made to insert a provision in the measure to bring about some of the ideas expressed in the anti-picketing law as annulled by the State Supreme Court. The Mayor put a quietus on this move, explaining that such a proposition had nothing whatever to do with the plan of the new measure.

"The ordinance is to force to work able-bodied men who are idling away their time in North End resorts and elsewhere while industries are clamoring for such men," said the Mayor. "Any effort to inject anything except a blow at L. W. Jam will not be considered in this measure."

Ridgefield to Celebrate Loan. RIDGEFIELD, Wash., April 21.—(Special.)—Mayor N. C. Hall has made a proclamation requesting that all labor cease in this city between the hours of 7 and 9 o'clock on the evening of Friday, April 26, for the purpose of celebrating the success of the liberty bond sale. This district subscribed four times its quota.

Contraband Liquor Captured. ASTORIA, Or., April 21.—(Special.)—Federal officers raided the steam schooner John Foulton and Hogslam, arriving from San Francisco today. A few cases of contraband liquor were found on each craft, but no arrests were made.

YOUTH IN PAGEANT

Sunday School Children Give Inspiring Spectacle.

EPISCOPAL RALLY IS HELD

Hundreds of Youngsters Gather at St. Stephen's Pro-Cathedral for First of What Hereafter Will Be Annual Event.

"Onward, Christian Soldiers, Marching as to War."

Hundreds of happy children's voices mingled in the popular hymn yesterday afternoon as the Sunday schools of the various Episcopal parishes of the city marched from Portland Academy to St. Stephen's Pro-Cathedral, where a rally was held under the auspices of the board of religious education of the diocese.

Proceeding from the different parishes and the alien flags, the Stars and Stripes, with the united choirs of all the churches marching in a stately pageant representing youth, patriotism and religious inspiration.

Automobiles were halted by their drivers; people in the streets leaned out to wonder and admire; passersby stopped, looked and then followed the procession.

Bishop Sumner Speaks. At the church the children occupied every available seat and the choirs filled the front with the array of golden crosses and bright American flags before the altar, forming an impressive sight. Teachers and the few grownups who chaperoned the youngsters stood at the back or in the doorway.

The rally was the first of what Bishop Sumner declared he hoped would be annual gatherings of the sort. In his address to the Sunday schools, he said: "I am pleased with the good attendance of the war and for the spreading of the gospel of God's love."

"I want you to buy three stamps," said the bishop. "If you have money and bury it it will do no good. You must give and pray and also work for the spreading of the gospel of God's love."

The bishop told the children to get into the habit of giving to God regularly. He challenged the teachers and parents to take an interest in the campaign for membership. "The parents should give the child a chance to attend Sunday school has a grave responsibility on his shoulders," said Bishop Sumner.

Chambers read the lessons of the day and Rev. Thomas Jenkins, of St. David's parish, was chairman for the day and chairman of services. When the roll of schools was called each parish sent up its offering by one of the children. Some were tiny youngsters who toddled up to the front of the church with a most important mien.

Rally to Be Repeated. Elizabeth Gray, representing Trinity; Richard Morse, the Church of Our Savior; Selwyn Jenkins, St. David's, and Isabelle Chandler, of Oregon City, were among the offering bearers.

The children representing the different schools met at 3:30 P. M. at the academy and were there joined by the choirs and the clergy and the presiding officer, the Rev. Thomas Jenkins, announced that next year the rally will be held as a part of or just preceding the diocesan convention in May. Plans for concentrating on Sunday school work will be announced at the convention to be held here next month.

CHURCH'S PART IS RELATED

Pastor Declares That Service Is to Be Watchword for All.

The church's part in patriotic service, in meeting the requirements of the day formed the theme of the sermon of the Rev. Warren Morse yesterday in Atkinson Memorial Congregational Church. "Farmers look with dismay upon the shortage of labor, but Uncle Sam, while the armies are being trained and equipped, appears and the cloud shows its stiver lining; so likewise churches fear to face the future, but soul-hungry men and boyless mothers line up in increasing numbers and the church forgets

itself and gets busy," said Mr. Morse. "The American quality of resourcefulness will be the winning element in this war. The demands of the war are stimulating the inventiveness of people in many lines; it must be in the churches. Not far from here when the price of woolen yarn soared beyond reach some good women dug some spinning wheels out of their attics and have been making their own yarn. When enough do this there will be plenty and at fair prices. People come to their meals with new interest to learn how the clever housekeeper has developed strategy in furnishing palatable foods out of new constituents. We now come to church with a new purpose. Service must be the watchword for all."

NEUTRALS NOT WANTED HERE

People Must Line Up on One Side or Other, Says Dr. Morrison.

"I cannot imagine the kind of being that is neutral. He doesn't seem to belong to the world at present. I should say the neutrals are not much better than cattle. Their only ambition is to browse around and do nothing."

The speaker was Dr. A. A. Morrison, pastor of Trinity Episcopal Church, who preached yesterday from the text, "He that is not with me is against me," Luke 11:23.

"The world is divided practically into two great camps—good and evil," said Dr. Morrison. "All righteously disposed people are not neutrals, but are people of the world. They are full of kindness and charity. The other camp is filled with people who are selfish, egotistic. They insist on everything being bent to their satisfaction. Now, these are two antagonistic forces, and there is no place for neutrals in the world. The world is in the fight, a leader who never worked or looked for approval."

"There are many kinds of leadership in the opposition. There is the skulking coward who has not enough humanity in him to be a type of either camp. He represents that kind of opposition that holds its strength when a life and death struggle is on. Such people say, 'We are so busy with our own affairs that we can't bother about the rest of the world—whether it is going to hell or not.'"

"If there are any human stuff in humanity, you are so busy with your own affairs that you are a scatterer. I'd like to have seen the bond issues 'over the top' in one week. Does it mean nothing when babies are hoisted on humanity by blood-thirsty hearts? Does this not suggest an obligation to humanity?"

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PRAYER DR. GRIFFIS' THEME

Appeals Not Always Answered as One Wishes, but as Is Best.

Prayer as a necessity, a privilege, an expression of faith, prayer as a patriotic duty, prayer as a means of coming into communion with the great All-God formed the theme of the sermon of the Rev. H. H. Griffis, pastor of the First Christian Church, yesterday morning.

"He who depends solely on himself, leans on a broken reed," declared Dr. Griffis. "It is not sufficient to give your time and your money, but you must pray."

"When we begin to pray we set in motion new forces not by violation of a law, but in accord with it," said the pastor in referring to the objection made, he noted, by some who claim that God's law will go on and there's no need for prayer.

"And things, whatever you shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive," quoted the speaker. Dr. Griffis said that the prayer isn't always answered as we wish, because that isn't always best for humanity. He referred to God as "the father" and said that the loving father cannot intrude every whim of the child. When the lad of 6 years asks his father for a shotgun he doesn't get it, but if he has a good talk with his father and learns to love his father more, his father will give him a better and wiser way. Prayer for the people at home, prayer for those away, prayer for the nation and all the world was advocated.

CHRISTIANITY FIRM AS EVER

Rev. Constant Preaches Strong Sermon at Highland Congregational.

Yesterday morning at the Highland Congregational Church the Rev. Edward Constant spoke on "The Challenge of the World to Christianity," and in the evening he dealt with the companion subject, "The Challenge of Christianity to the World."

"It seems to many minds," declared the preacher, "as if the crucial hour for Christianity had arrived. Some go so far as to allege that Christianity has failed to save the world. The light it held out had a certain fascination

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Leaders of the circle of Portland colored people are properly proud of the manner in which their members came to the support of the third liberty loan, and aided in winning distinction for Portland and Oregon. The button that denotes membership in the Government's family of patriotic investors is theirs, almost to the last individual.

Isolated figures are, of course, unavailable, but it is estimated that colored residents of Portland bought at least \$25,000 worth of liberty bonds, mostly in small denominations. The largest individual purchase amounted to \$500, but the bulk of the bonds were of the \$50 issue. In both the first and second liberty loans many of the same investors hold the Government's wartime securities.

In the soliciting field numbers of colored people were actively energetic, one member of the force reporting sales that aggregated \$1500. Colored employees of the downtown hotels have liberty buttons almost without an exception, while railroad and depot employees hold the same record.

In the war activities parade Portland colored people launched two striking floats, one of their Red Cross work and one for the war savings stamp campaign. In the latter activity they have taken keen interest from its inception, and have invested thousands of dollars in the "baby bonds."

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