BRIEF INFORMATION

(133D DAY OF 1917.)

ONE YEAR AGO TODAY.

At Home.

Washington—A peace defense force of 634,000 was proposed in a report made to both houses of congress.

Portland—Portland Press club prepares to entertain Senator A. B. Cummins.

Grants Pass—Oregon grange goes on record in favor of Senator Chamberlain's proposal for distributing O. & C. land grant funds.

Portland—The fourth annual conference of Social Agencies at Reed college discussed needed changes in Oregon's criminal code.

Abroad.

The Hague—The kaiser frowned on any attempt to estrange the United States, and as a consequence meted severe punishment to the destroyer of the channel packet Sussex.

Paris—French announced large gains near the Meuse and about Douaumont.

AMUSEMENTS

BAKER—Broadway and Sixth at Morrison. Drainctic stock. Alcazar players in "THE COMMON LAW." 2:30 p. m. and 8:20 p. m.

COLUMBIA—Sixth, between Washington and Stark. Photoplay, MARGUERITE CLARK in "THE VALENTINE GIRL." Sennett SUPER-KEYSTONE COMEDY. "Secrets of a Beauty Parlor." 11 a. m. to 11 p. m.

HEILIG—See Orpheum.

HIPPODROME—Broadway at Yamhill. Vaudeville. Headliner, "ANGELO ARMENTO & CO. Tumblers and balancers. Photoplay, "The Great Kingdom" serial, featuring Bushman and Boyne. 1:30 p. m. to 11 p. m.

LYRIC—Fourth at Stark. Musical comedy, "THE JAIL BIRDS." 2 p. m., continuous.

MAJESTIC—Washington at Park. Photoplays. "ROYAL ROMANCE," featuring Virginia Pearson. Comedy. Oregon Journal-Hearst-Pathe Semi-Weekly Pictured News. 11 a. m. to 11 p. m.

ORPHEUM—Broadway at Taylor. Vaudeville Headliner, RUTH ST. DENIS and Denishawn dancers. Orchestra 2 p. m. and 8 p. m. Curtains 2:30 p. m. and 8:30 p. m.

PANTAGES—Broadway at Alder. Vaudeville. Headliner, THE TEXAS ROUND-UP. Photoplay serial, thirteenth episode, "The Secret Kingdom," 2 p. m., continuous.

PEOPLES—West Park and Alder. Photoplay, MADAM SARAH BERNHARDT in "Mothers of France." 11 a. m. to 11 p. m.

STAR — Washington at Park. Photoplay, "SLOTH" (fourth of the "Seven Deadly Sins), featuring CHARLOTTE WALKER. Comedy, "Little Bo-Peep." 11 a. m. to 11 p. m.

STRAND—Park at Stark. Vaudeville. Headliner, SANCHEZ, Spanish dancer. Photoplay, "ETERNAL LOVE," featuring Douglas Gerard. 1 p. m. to 11 p. m.

SUNSET—Broadway and Washington. Photoplay, "THE MAN FROM THE BITTER ROOTS," featuring William Farnum. Comedy. Paramount pictographs. 11 a. m. to 11 p. m.

ART MUSEUM—Fifth and Taylor. Hours 3 to 5 week days; 2 to 5 Sundays. Free afternoons of Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Coming Events.

National Education assaciation meets Portland, July 7-14.

Pacific Coast Claim Agents' annual convention, Portland, July 18, 19, 20.

Multnomah county Fair, from September 11 to 16, at Gresham, Or.

TOWN TOPICS

Art Exhibit Open.—The eighth annual exhibition of the work of the students of the school of the Portland Art association is now open at the Museum of Art. The work shown is done by students of all ages and of classes covering drawing and painting, composition, design and crafts. The latter include weaving, block printing, stenciling and pottery. The latter is also shown as a part of the children's work. The regular hours of the museum are: Week days, 9 to 5 o'clock; Sundays, 2 to 5; free the afternoons of Sunday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Club to Give Play.—Next Saturday evening at 8:30 the Russellville Dramatic club will give "The Old District School," at the Russellville Grange hall, Craig avenue and Base Line road. The following members of the grange will take part: R. W. Gill, Nina Gill, Miriam Oberg, Milton Hager, Julia Nickelsen, Ira Pitman, Linette Lewis, Fred Welch, Mabel Lewis, Dave Lewis, Wa Faust, Charles Wicklander, Madge Gill, Edward Gill, J. W. Mills, Olivette Mills and Fred Newell.

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Sweden Lecture Topic.—Axel Palmgren, staff correspondent of "Stockholms Dagblad," one of the foremost newspapers of Sweden, will be a Portland visitor May 18 and 19. Mr. Palmgren is on a lecturing tour, his topic being "Sweden and Present Day Conditions." The lectures will be illustrated.

W. R. C. Entertainment.—William McKinley Relief Corps will give an entertainment at its hall, East Eightieth and Glisan streets, Tuesday afternoon. Refreshments will be served. Proceeds will go to the corps funds. All post and corps members are cordially invited.

Experience Social and Tea.—Peter A. Porter circle, No. 25, Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, will give an experience social and 10 cent tea at the home of Mrs. Frederick Hagstrom, 1232 Minnesota avenue, corner of Simpson, on the St. Johns car line, next Tuesday afternoon. Everybody is cordially invited.

Ex-Convict to Lecture.—A stereopticon lecture will be given at the United Brethren church, Twenty-seventh and Sumner, Alberta, on prison life and evils, by L. S. McDonald, ex-prisoner, at 8 o'clock tonight. On Monday evening, at the Central library, the same lecture will be given.

Ladies' Aid to Meet.—The regular meeting of the Ladies' Aid society of the Lincoln M. E. church, East Fifty-second and Lincoln, will be held in the church Wednesday, May 16, 2 to 5 p. m. Come and bring your friends. Refreshments served.

Dr. Alzamon Ira Lucas speaks under the auspices of the Home Betterment league every Wednesday night. No Sunday night lectures. Phone Main 718 for particulars. (Adv.)

Plant and Animal Pictures Shown.—The Oregon Social Hygiene society showed, Saturday afternoon at 12:15 o'clock at the Pantages theatre, the first of a series of new films on "How Life Begins." The motion pictures, showing the early phases of plant and animal life, were prepared at the University of California, with the idea of presenting facts of reproduction in a wholesome and instructive way.

Company A Drill.—Company A, First regular infantry, Oregon reserves, will meet Monday at 8 p. m. at the Portland Riding academy, 697 Johnson street. An announcement will be made by the committee. Permanent registration cards will be filled out at this drill.

Church Cantata.—A cantata, entitled "Carnival of Flowers," will be given by the boys and girls of the Millard avenue Sunday school, next Friday at 8 p. m. The youthful members of the cast will wear costumes representing flowers, leaves and mosses. They have rehearsed diligently for the event.

Pet Stock Meeting.—The Oregon branch of the National Pet Stock association will hold its fifth "get-together" social at the home of the president, W. C. Kenworthy, 575 Bidwell avenue, on Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. All members and their friends are cordially invited.

To Talk on India.—Mrs. Hilja Heiskanen, missionary and head of a large orphanage home at Targaleen, Himalaya, India, will speak at 3 o'clock today at the home of Dr. Emma Maki Wickstrom, 752 Montgomery drive, in both Finnish and English. The public is invited.

Will Hold Silver Tea.—The Arleta W. C. T. U. will hold a silver tea in the Lucky cottage Tuesday afternoon, May 15. Part of the afternoon will be spent in making comfort bags for the soldiers and sailors. Everybody invited.

We are making a list of Canadians at present in the Oregon country and would ask all to send me their names and addresses. Macdonald Potts, P. O. Box 749, Portland, Or., secretary Canadian society of Oregon, 1905-06.

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Theosophical Society Lecture., 8. p. m., "Traditional and Revealed Religion," by Dr. James Le-Apsley, 301 Central bldg., Tenth and Alder. Free library. (Adv.)

Y. M. C. A. Lecture.—Dr. Harry Schwartz will lecture at the Y. M. C. A., Monday evening at 7:45, on "The Prevention of Typhoid Fever."

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Gardening

Gardeners will find it profitable to run rows of vegetables north and south, if possible to admit the maximum amount of sunshine to every row.

Put the tallest vegetables at the north end of the garden so that they will not shade other plants.

If cultivating with a wheel hoe plant in rows rather than in beds.

Rotate quick growing crops. Don't, for instance, plant radishes twice in the same place.

A wire or lath trellis can take the place of bean poles in very small gardens.

Begin now to plan winter gardens, advises Professor A. G. B. Bouquet, head of vegetable gardening at O. A. C.

"Fall and winter gardens in the back yard and on the vacant lots will be of great value in keeping down the high cost of living, and gardeners should make preparations to sow the seed in May," he says.

"For table use or for kraut or storage, the All Head, Danish Baldhead or Late Flat Dutch cabbage are good varieties, and the seed should be sown in a few days for the early fall supply.

"Cauliflower for early fall or winter should not be sown too late for fear that the frosts may injure the heads in the fall. The Autumn Giant and the Late Autumn Giant are both good varieties. It is possible to have Late Autumn Giant cauliflowers as late as December 1, though there was very little cut after the middle of October last fall. The seed should be planted soon to give the crop time to mature. With a favorable season, seed planted toward the latter part of the month will supply nice heads of cauliflower after the tender annuals have been cut off by the frost.

"In starting these fall and winter crops a seed bed should be prepared outside in the garden in some place that will not be disturbed for six to eight weeks, and the plants may be transplanted from the seed bed to the garden.

"Brussels sprouts should be seeded toward the latter part of May, and the varieties recommended are the Odense Market or Long Island Improved. These are not injured by the frost and, therefore, the earlier planting is not so important as in the case of the cauliflower.

"Scotch Curley kale makes splendid early and winter greens. It is in the cut-and-come-again class and is very hardy. A five cent package will provide sufficient plants for the home garden and it will yield from October to April. There is a very great difference in the strains of these winter vegetables with the possible exception of the kale. Oregon grown cabbage seed has proved to be very satisfactory for our winter conditions in not bursting as rapidly as some other strains of the same varieties, and also for keeping well in storage.

"It is no economy to buy seed that may afterwards be unsatisfactory, just because the price looks attractive. It will pay to inquire into the character of the strains and buy the best."

CAMPAIGN FOR FOOD PRODUCTION IS NATION-WIDE

—Photograph by American Press Association.

Nation Awake to Necessity Of Providing Food Supply

From Coast to Coast the President's Plea for Greater Food Production Is Heeded; Oregon Can Be Depended Upon to Do Its Share.

By Marshall N. Dana.

Uncle Sam's army in blue overalls has mobilized. Millions have answered the call to farms. The legions of agricultural defense have turned to the fields. "Plant! Plant! Plant!" is their marching refrain.

Farms are more powerful than arms in the world war. The allies have stated clearly that they cannot go on without food supplies from this country.

The president has issued an appeal, the effect of which is to stamp as disloyal any person in position to plant the ground and add to food production who does not do so. As an example to the nation he will turn from his own colossal tasks to cultivate a small garden in the White House grounds.

In the face of emergency demand, surveys show shortage of food supplies. The crop of 1916 in nearly every staple was short of that of 1915. There is a prospective slump of 100,000,000 bushels in the winter wheat crop of 1917. Fruit prospects alone are good. It is a good fortune that knowledge of the shortage comes just when the tremendous growing impulse of spring is reaching its height and loyal, organized energy visions a broadened opportunity to meet the emergency with the increased yield of 1917.

Food Production Campaign Organized.

Agricultural mobilization has been conducted, not so conspicuously, but on lines as firmly defined as that of the military arm of national service. The government department of agriculture becomes, under the president, the head and forefront of the campaign to increase the food supply. The so-called land grant colleges with their agricultural experts become the centers of state organization. The county agriculturists, salaried jointly by counties, state and federal government, become the district leaders and organizers. The county councils of defense composed of heads of farm organizations become the medium through which the message is directly gotten to the people. Not all states had organizations already established. Oregon luckily had passed the county agriculturist bill some years ago; 15 of the counties had agriculturists, and there were enough specialists and men in training to furnish expert aid for every county movement. Such preparedness on the part of Oregon made possible the taking of yesterday's crop census at agricultural defense meetings all over the state.

For the same reason it was possible for the president of Oregon Agricultural college as head of the food preparedness campaign to have his forces at work all over the state within 48 hours after the word was given. No military mobilization has ever been as prompt.

Though the first step has been taken and the initial result is the preparation or the actual planting of greater area than ever before, with more people at work, serious problems affecting of the campaign await solution.

Movement Must Be Financed.

Instructional forces must be financed. A bill appropriating $25,000,000 is pending before congress. Oregon should have more than $100,000 from the government, in addition to other available funds, to maintain broad organization.

Speculators and food hoarders, never patriotic beyond their pocketbooks, must be controlled. A food dictator is proposed with authority to set the minimum prices farmers may receive and the maximum prices dealers and middlemen may charge. Public sentiment has been the most effective weapon so far against food hoarders, and they are becoming as unpopular as they are unpatriotic. Plans have been discussed to tax foods out of storage.

Farm labor is short. Farmers begging for workers see young men leaving the fields for the army and navy. Only a few days ago it was reported that of 2500 enlistments for service under arms in Oregon, 1400 were from farms and 900 from the towns. There will probably be a reflex movement from towns to country.

Farm Labor Needed.

High school boys may be drafted. Already some schools have released students for farm work, giving them the same scholastic credits as though they had stayed at their books. Special farm employment offices have been opened in Portland and other cities. There is the beginning of a farm enlistment movement conducted with somewhat the same formality as military enlistment. "Spend your vacation in the country" is becoming a national slogan. Stores are to be closed on certain days to permit employers and clerks to wield hoes together. Plans have been advanced for picking up hobos and putting them to work under duress. Additional measures apparently will be necessary.

Publicity is not a problem. Newspapers of the nation are devoting millions of inches to articles both instructional and inspirational. The federal department of agriculture, assisted by other departments, is flooding the country with bulletins and pamphlets through the government printing press. The latest move is a national newspaper. The agricultural colleges, county and city organizations and district committees are devoting definite service to food preparedness publicity.

Livestock like field crops is short. High prices for feed have led to many sales of breeding animals. While not yet efficiently in hand, organization is taking form to prevent slaughter of calves and lambs, which, if allowed to mature, would be worth much more both in quantity and quality of food. Restrictions may have to be placed on sales of animals chiefly valuable for breeding. Though high prices for chicken feed influence many to dispose of their poultry, all are urged not to do so and are promised that eggs and the increase of their flocks will bring them profits.

What Oregon Has Done.

In Oregon, important state organizations sent delegates to a recent meeting. These designated Dr. W. J. Kerr as head of the food preparedness campaign. The experiment station department at the agricultural college immediately devoted its energy to the preparation of material needed in teaching methods of increased production. The extension division assumed the tasks of directing the staff of experts and county agriculturists and disseminating the printed information. A fund was needed to start special workers. Fifteen hundred dollars was asked; on a certain afternoon $2000 was contributed.

A Portland headquarters office was opened, maintained by the Chamber of Commerce. Meetings were arranged in nearly every district, yet with due care not to disturb farm work while counsel was being given and information as to food supplies received. Special food preparedness demonstration trains were operated over the O-W. R. & N and Southern Pacific.

Unique plans for a census and distribution of seed were originated, such as the "measure for measure" scheme of driving out Multnomah county's surplus of seed potatoes and the Klamath Falls Commercial club's distribution of seed potatoes at cost to the farmers.

Eastern Oregon has a campaign for planting a large part of its more than 200,000 acres of fallow land to corn and beans. The Oregon Patriotic Service league came into existence before the food preparedness campaign was organized or Governor Withycombe had appointed the Oregon members of the national defense council, in order to represent the citizens' movement for food production and general patriotic service.

Washington, at a call of Governor Lister, set in motion a state-wide organiation for increased production under direction of a large committee. Seattle witnessed a movement for household economy which proposed but one dessert a week and the utmost simplicity in women's dress. Every Washington banker was invited to become part of an organization to aid in financing farmers. Children left schools to plant gardens.

Idaho women were called upon to wear garments that would not be injured by hoeing and raking. Governor Alexander issued a proclamation calling on every county to organize. Plan was made to seed all the land about public institutions. Ranchers were listed who needed and merited financial aid. The special crusade against hog cholera was called a food conservation effort.

California Is Awake.

California has been speeding up an agricultural inventory. School boys took the place of deserting Mexicans in fields near Van Nuys. University students were called on to enlist for farm work.

Utah farmers were sent directly blanks for a food census directed by county agriculturists. Salt Lake City people had their attention called to the fact that there are 1466 square yards of tillable earth between the curb and sidewalk lines of every block. A group of University of Utah students applied for leave to work on farms. The county commission took steps for the appropriation of $5000 to be spent for seed to plant in land otherwise idle.

The college of agriculture and department of economics of the University of Illinois issue a plan for civil-military service in food production.

Believers in agricultural preparedness circulated throught southern states a pledge committing every person not under arms to do his or her bit in increasing the food supply. One thousand New Orleans women formed an organization to promote means of producing and conserving food supplies.

The state wide organization of Maine laid stress on the importance of children's gardens and submitted plans for increasing the flocks of sheep and poultry and the planting of greater areas.

Boston People Urge Prohibition.

Four thousand people in Boston decided to take advantage of the national emergency to urge national prohibition as a means of diverting to wholesome uses the 6,000,000,000 pounds of foodstuffs annually utilized in the manufacture of liquor. Massachusetts manufacturers were asked to release men with experience in farm or garden work.

Governor Brumbaugh of Pennsylvania issued a proclamation calling upon all organizations and influences to forget their differences and unite their forces in work to increase food production and in serving other national needs. Students in companies of 100 each were sent from the class rooms of the University of Pennsylvania to the farms of the state. A report will be required to indicate that each student sticks to his new and hand-blistering job. Leading Philadelphia clubs resolved to dispense with high priced dishes at their luncheons and dinners.

Churches Are Interested.

Unique ideas have come from unexpected sources. The head of the Christian Endeavor society pleaded that every church be made the center of a potato field cultivated by the congregation. The Mormon church offered prizes for the best acreages of wheat and potatoes. The Boy Scouts enunciated the slogan, "Every Scout to feed a soldier." Norman Hapgood from London sent the message that the allies would consider it disloyal to the general cause for Americans to be wasteful of food. From many points has come the suggestion to grow food where the consumers are, that is, cultivate back yards and vacant lots of cities. This suggestion is in part responsible for the fact that the parents of Portland have joined the youngsters already enlisted in school garden work and are transforming Portland into a great garden. The "little farm," 50 by 100 feet, should yield 1500 pounds of food products, according to one of the county agents.

"The war is to be a race among farmers" was the word from Lloyd George and "food is more precious than ammunition," announced Luther Burbank. The B. &. O., Burlington and other railroads have offered free use for garden of their unoccupied rights of way. The O-W. R. & N. has been distributing corn and beans at cost, or free under certain condition.

The National Geographic society, the Du Punt Powder company, the Life Extension institute of New York, and other organizations have been circularizing their correspondence lists with instructions in gardening and farming, and formulas indicating relative food values of grain, vegetables and meat. The federal department of agriculture has included in its suggestions one that people use more bread and other articles made of whole wheat as a means of conserving the grain supply.

Farmers have been heard to predict great over production after witnessing local energy in cultivation of land. But every survey of world conditions brings emphatic statements that even if the war should end tomorrow the demand for food will continue and prices will be high. There is no prospect of a very speedy end to the war, and every form of food that can be preserved or conserved will be eagerly sought and bought. Farmers will not find it possible to produce too much.

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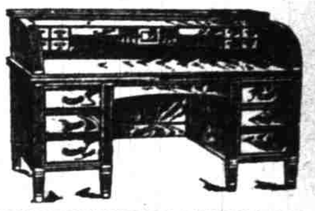

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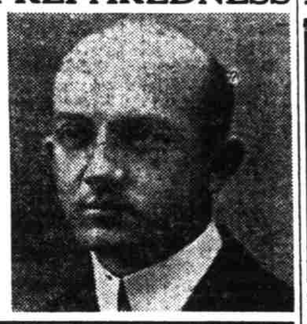

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