

INFORMATION

COMING EVENTS
Convention of Grand Encampment, G. A. R.
Portland, August 15

TOWN TOPICS

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Kansas Aggies to Picnic—The graduates and former students and friends of the Kansas State Agricultural college are to have their annual picnic at Oswego lake today. Bring your lunch and bathing suits if you desire, and take the Southern Pacific red car at Fourth and Alder at 10:25 a. m., or later if more convenient. Read the announcement.

Ten Recruited in The Dalles—G. M. Donnell, chief electrician, and Clarence Blissett, chief yeoman of the United States naval recruiting station in the Dekum building, have just returned from a recruiting tour to The Dalles, where they enlisted 10 men. This is the first recruiting tour made by the navy station for several months.

Out for Camping Trip—A camping trip at Eagle pass over Sunday will be indulged in by several members of the navy recruiting station this week. Many of the men have never even had a Sunday off for several months. The party left Saturday afternoon.

Prune Growers to Meet—Prune growers of Oregon will meet Tuesday morning in room 8 of the Central library, and prune packers in the afternoon of the same day, the meeting having been called by W. B. Ayer, federal food administrator.

Soldier Kits Ordered—Order of Eastern Star Red Cross workers are called to meet at the Olds, Wortman & King store Monday at 10 a. m. A run order has come for 500 soldiers' kits and must be filled in the shortest possible time. Every member is urged to be present.

Messianic Services Resume—The church of the Messianic message has resumed its services and will meet at 8 o'clock at 414 East Everett street. Mrs. J. C. Carr is leader. Study class will meet Wednesday evening.

Chief Yeoman Returns—Miss Elizabeth Murphy, chief yeoman, has returned to duty at the navy recruiting station after a two weeks' leave of absence, part of which time she spent at Medford.

Fathers Will Meet—The Association of the Fathers of Soldiers and Sailors will meet Monday evening at 8 o'clock in the Foresters' hall, 129 Fourth street. Officers are to be elected for the ensuing six months.

Claret Want to Reply—You that favor, am so thankful. What do you say? The Liberty picture tonight, after the theatre lunch at Kline, 291 Morrison. It's cozy there and we can talk. Remember, Liberty at 8. Geata.

Helps Navy Recruiting—E. F. Allen-dorfer, second class quartermaster, from San Francisco, has arrived at the navy recruiting office in the Dekum building, where he has been transferred for duty.

Shipbuilders, Attention—For your convenience my office will be open evenings by appointment. Telephone Marshall 99. Dr. Elio T. Hedlund, dentist, 456-459 Morgan building. (Adv.)

The Moore Sanitarium, the only sanitarium within 1200 miles devoted to the cure of mental and nervous disorders, year of its work. East 28th and Alder. (Adv.)

Company B to Meet—Members of Company B, Oregon Guard, will meet at the Armory at 7:45 Monday night to receive instructions regarding Fourth of July duty.

Steamer Georgiana, for Astoria and way points, leaves Alder street dock daily, except Friday, at 7 a. m. Fare \$1.45 each way. (Adv.)

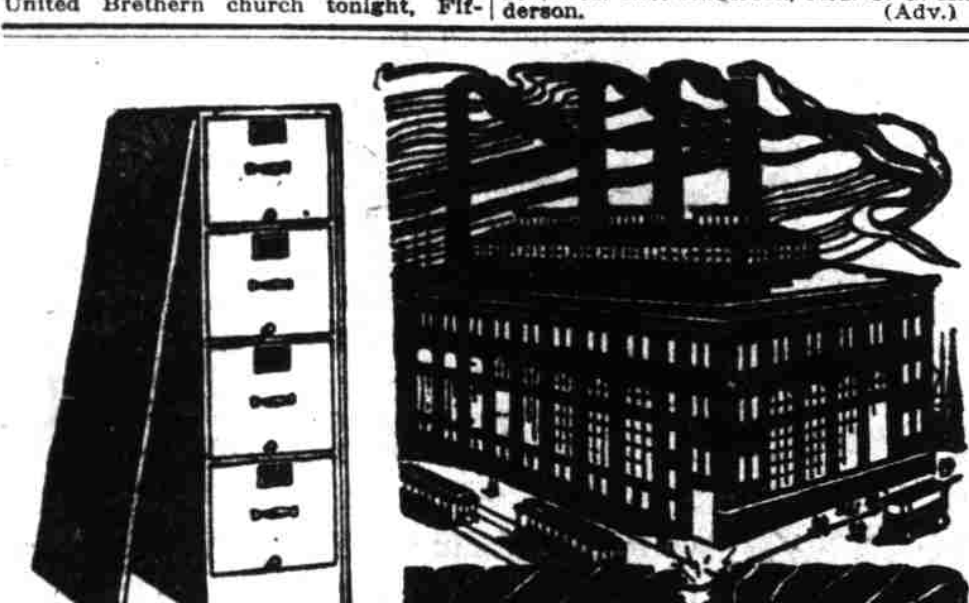
Steamer Iraida, for St. Helens and Rainier, daily at 2:30 p. m., foot of Alder street; Sunday, St. Helens only, 1:30 p. m. (Adv.)

Steamer Twin Cities leaves for Arlington and way points Tuesday and Friday, 7 a. m. Main 7611. Foot of Pine street. (Adv.)

Steamer Jessie Harkins, for Camas, Washougal and way landings, daily except Sunday; leaves Alder street dock at 2 p. m. (Adv.)

Dr. McMahon, Chiropractor, Portland, makes adjustments easy. See "Personal" column. (Adv.)

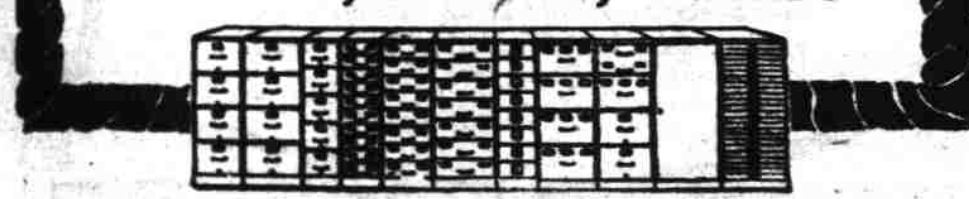
Patriotic Meeting Announced—A patriotic meeting will be held in the First United Brethren church tonight, 515-



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MEN TO LEAVE FOR TRAINING CAMPS LISTED

Men who are to entrain for Camp Lewis July 22 to 27 have been announced by local board No. 7. They are as follows:

Victor Henningsen, Henningsen Produce company, city.
Albert Hirleman, 1533 Klickitat.
Lester M. Harty, 234 Cherry.
Ray Edwin Ure, 651 E. 46th North.
Otto Samson, 4209 Sixty-fourth S. E.
Arthur Lewis Smith, Pittsburg Plate Glass company, Ford City, Pa.
Clinton Furrer, Marshfield, Or.
John Erickson, 849 Halsey.
Thomas E. Wadsworth, 116 East Forty-fifth North.
William C. Wachner, 630 East Fourteenth North.
Cecil Willis Downey, 651 East Fifty-sixth North.
Homer H. Haworth, Birmingham, Ala.
George Schreiber, 647 East Sixty-seventh North.
Harry Newell, 5 East Seventy-sixth.
Walter R. Hill, 925 Sandbar boulevard.
John Hoffman Nettleton, Union depot, room 1.
Anthony A. Ferrera, 610 East Fifty-seventh North.
Fred E. Grisel, 439 East Forty-second North.
Roy A. Peebles, 1554 Alameda, The Alameda.
Manuel Weiser, 475 East Broadway.

Conservation of Gasoline Is Next

Government Anticipates Shortage of Fuel, but Director Requa Does Not Expect Restriction if Care Is Used.

The conservation of gasoline is soon to be started by the oil division of the United States fuel administration and the National Petroleum War Service committee, says a communication received by Fred J. Holmes, fuel administrator, from Mark L. Requa, director of the oil division.

The supply of gasoline, up to the present, has been sufficient to meet all requirements, but the government is preparing to meet an anticipated shortage. Mr. Requa does not expect it will be necessary to restrict normal consumption for freight vehicles, and if reasonable conservation is observed, pleasure cars and motorboats will not be interfered with, but the paramount use of gasoline is for war purposes, and the volume of gasoline will largely govern the situation.

"It seems possible that rational conservation by the public will render government action unnecessary," says Mr. Requa.

No action has been taken thus far to limit the amount of gasoline ordered in the state of Oregon.

teenth and East Morrison streets. Music of a patriotic character will be given. The address will be given by L. D. Mahone, subject "Autocracy vs. Democracy." A cordial invitation is extended to every citizen. (Adv.)

Eyes Tested Free: spectacles guaranteed. Dr. Belding, Main 1892. (Adv.)

Cards of Thanks
We desire to express our gratitude and thanks to our dear friends, also Mr. and Mrs. Simmons and the Royal Neighbors of Hazelwood for the many acts of kindness and the great number of beautiful floral offerings during the illness and death of our beloved wife and mother. Mr. Bertie Lyon. (Adv.)

We wish to thank our many friends and the Fishermen's union for their kindness and sympathy during the illness and death of our beloved husband and father, also for the beautiful floral offerings. Mrs. L. Wenes, Alice Wenes. (Adv.)

We wish to thank our many friends who so kindly gave their assistance and sympathy in the death of our dear wife and mother, also for the many beautiful floral offerings. Mr. C. S. Headley, Mrs. Frank Muscott, Mrs. Leon Bauer. (Adv.)

We wish to thank our many friends for their kindness and sympathy in the late bereavement of our father, also for beautiful floral offerings. G. N. Anderson, Mrs. Eric Anderson, Mrs. C. G. Anderson. (Adv.)

Democratic Movement Is Well Organized in Finland

White Guard Element Composed of Junker Disciples of Privilege Play Germany's Game That a Few Crumbs From the Loaf May Be Theirs.

By Sankari Nuorteva.
Representative in the United States of the People's Republic of Finland.

There seems to be considerable apprehension about the significance of so-called "White Guard" and "Red Guard" struggles in Finland and I, as the representative of the government of the People's Republic of Finland, would make clear certain aspects of the situation there. Our government has been temporarily defeated by the Finnish aristocracy in conjunction with the German army. But the fight is not ended. The great majority of the Finnish people awaits the first opportunity to drive out the German invaders, and the day of reckoning will come soon.

It is impossible to ignore the events in Finland without considering the social and political background. Up to 1905 there was no popular representation in the government. The great mass of the people were totally without political rights. Under the old feudal constitution most of the producing population were in a condition of virtual serfdom. Tenant farmers were compelled to yield the wealthy overlord payment in labor. The inherited Swedish-speaking aristocracy, with feudal class privileges, were able to continue under the old constitution medieval forms of oppression.

A Literate People
In spite of this the Finnish people are probably the most literate in the world. Ninety-eight per cent of the population can read and write. A popular culture has grown up as part of the labor movement, along with a strong co-operative organization which is vital in the life of the people. In Finland, as in most of the Russian border provinces, the labor movement has come to the fore as the only organized force opposed to the crushing feudal system of privilege.

The revolution of 1905 established a single chamber diet in Finland, based on universal suffrage and with proportional representation. In the first diet elected under this democratic franchise the socialists secured 40 per cent of the members, by far the largest bloc among the various parties. This strength was increased in successive elections, and in 1916, the last legal election, the labor party secured a clear majority in the diet. Most of the laws designed to relieve the feudal oppressions under which the great mass of the people suffered were voted by the diet, through the influence of the labor party, which was in close contact with the Russian bureaucracy. Finland was a grand duchy of Russia. The czar meanwhile was attempting the Russification of Finland through a system of military terrorism which was being opposed by the strong socialist organization.

Autocracy Fights Hard
There was a clause in the Finnish constitution providing for the independence of the country when the government of the czar ceased to rule. In accordance with this, after the downfall of czarism, the diet declared Finland independent. The autocracy, seeing in this the end of their privileges, managed to persuade the then Russian government to dissolve the diet. This wholly illegal action was carried out by the sending of Cossack troops to Helsinki to crush the representatives of the Finnish people.

New illegal elections were held, in which for one reason or another large numbers of electors did not take part, and a so-called "government" was formed, precursor of the "White Guard" government of today. Recent dispatches from Finland show that immense election frauds were perpetrated in the election to the detriment of the labor party.

It has been maintained by the supporters of the "White Guard" that it only recently became pro-German and then merely because they were faced by the necessity of "saving their little farms and factories" from anarchy at home. The fact is that the Junker elements in Finland, forming the "White Guard" leadership, were covertly plotting for German intervention in Finland from the very beginning of the war and actually sent thousands of Finnish young men to Germany to be trained in the German army. Today the "White Guard" leaders are openly boasting of this.

White Guard Is German Coup
In the issue of "Kaleva," the official "White Guard" newspaper, of March 2 last, now on my table, appears a copy of a laudatory telegram sent to the German chancellor by the "White Guard" prime minister. It begins: "On this day, when the Finnish 'Chasseurs,' who have been drilled in Germany, are returning to their fatherland to fight on Finland's soil for the freedom and independence of their country, the government of Finland is sincerely impelled to express to his majesty the German emperor and to the imperial government not only its admiration for the glorious deeds of the German people and their illustrious leader, but also the gratitude, welling from the bottom of the heart of the Finnish people, because of all which Germany has done for our country and for the Finnish 'Chasseurs,' who three years ago voluntarily entered the military service in Germany."

The coup whereby the democratic diet was dissolved angered the Finnish people. As time went on they saw that reaction was in the saddle. Revolution was in the air, and late in January of this year a great uprising of the people took place, beginning in a general strike. The "White Guard government" fled to the sparsely settled northern part of Finland, leaving the capital and all the agencies of government, and all the popular manufacturing districts in the hands of the people's forces. A people's republic was declared, and a provisional government formed, which has appointed me its representative in the United States. This government was immediately recognized by the soviet government of Russia.

A Majority in the Making
At the time of this revolution the "White Guard" was formed, composed mostly of hired thugs and strikebreakers, armed with German weapons and offered by the "Finnish Chasseurs" above referred to, trained in the army of the kaiser. This "Butcher Guard," as the Finns call them, would have had no chance to impose its will against the desires of the great mass of the Finnish people. Fighting alone, it was doomed. But the German government, spurred by the desire of making Finland an outpost of German imperialism and securing a road to the Russian Arctic ports of Kola and Archangel, which would give Germany control over Scandinavian shipping, heeded the desire of the Finnish Junkers and sent 40,000 men. The forces of the provisional government, a hastily raised voluntary army of upwards of 100,000 men, poorly armed and more poorly fed, was no match for the German war machine. Finland has fallen. Today the "White Guard" is giving the German officers lists of their political

opponents, and the Germans are slaughtering the proscribed men and women by the thousands. In this primitive fashion the system of Sulla, the "Whites" hope to manufacture a majority.

For many weeks there have been stories in the papers about "Red Guard" atrocities. Many of these have been exaggerations and many downright lies. They have come mostly from German sources and reactionary Swedish sources and from the pro-German "White Guard" leaders, who up to a few weeks ago seemed to be able successfully to take advantage of the situation for plunder from many honest American representatives with whom they were in contact.

Red Guard More Considerate
That there have been "Red Guard" killings that should have been avoided, I do not deny. In any country, in revolution, a certain ruffian element, devoid of principles, inevitably bobs up to take advantage of the situation for plunder. The provisional government leaders have taken stringent measures to put down such persons. But there is also another element of honest persons

who, in the heat of revolutionary passion, sometimes see red. If the United States had inherited a foreign speaking aristocracy who in this war betrayed American democracy to the German military power, it is possible that here and there groups of Americans would give short shrift to these rascals.

But from the start the forces of my government have been under strict orders to give "White Guard" captives all the rights of organized warfare, though the "White Guard" forces had no standing in international law. On the other hand, "White Guard" leaders have openly boasted that "Red Guard" captives were to be slaughtered as "bandits."

The producing classes of Finland, strongly organized, trained in over 10 years of parliamentary achievement, desire to establish Finland as a cooperative commonwealth, without special privileges or political or economic exploitation of any kind. They are opposed by the aristocracy, leading the Junker forces of Finland, willing to accept German vassalage to perpetuate their feudal control and keep the mass of the people in chains.

The labor movement in Finland, which wields the great mass of the people together, is the only organized democratic movement opposed to medieval Junkerism and German control. It is the form the democratic movement takes in Finland, as well as in Russia, and a necessary form. In Finland and Russia the ideas of social and economic democracy are just as vital to this democratic movement as were the ideas of political democracy to the democratic movement in America in 1776. Surely the tolerant American people will be patient with the democratic movement in Finland and Russia. The American states, after they

achieved their independence, went through six years of political chaos before they achieved stability. The much more far reaching economic and social readjustments which the great mass of

the Russian people desire cannot be accomplished throughout that great population, in that huge territory, in a few months. In Finland our task is somewhat easier, because the foundation has been laid in over 10 years of parliamentary organization.

Only a continued German occupation and a German peace can keep Finland safe for autocracy.

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