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Boys Band Themselves Into Committee to Carry Out Vengeance for Friend's Murder.

LA GRANDE, Feb. 22.—Sworn to avenge with all their powers—even unto their own lives—the death of Corporal Terry Tuttle on the good ship Uscania, which a Hun diver sent to the bottom off the coast of Scotland recently, eight Elgin boys are in La Grande today. When the fact of Terry's death was established, these eight boys banded themselves into a committee to carry out vengeance for Terry's death, and they are on their way today. The steel in their eyes is blue and it is safe to venture the guess that there will be no more determined soldiers in the fight for democracy than these eight boys.

City to Pay Honor. Since the arrival of the octette last night, arrangements for a fitting farewell from the county seat has been made. This evening, at 6 o'clock a dinner will be given in their honor at the Foley. Guests besides these eight heroes will be members of the local exemption board, members of the district exemption board and members of the Union county advisory war board.

Among the eight is a relative of James Hallgarth, who was with Tuttle on the ship, but was saved from the briny deep that engulfed his companion from Elgin.

W. H. Kloustra, a member of the group, is of German parentage, but that in no wise hinders him from being a member of the following heroic octette: J. Hallgarth, Glenn Graham, W. H. Kloustra, George Rogers, Iver Simonson, A. L. Shelton, John Wisdom, J. R. Ray.

Christian Endeavorers Meet. ENGENE, Ore., Feb. 22.—Christian Endeavorers from all Western Oregon organizations today opened the biggest convention ever held in Oregon, the second section of the state assembly. The sessions continue over Sunday. The principal sessions will be held at the Christian church and there will be meetings at the other churches also.

BEWARE OF GERMAN PEACE OFFERS.

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Afraid of One Thing. "About thirty-four years old," the passport he took to England read. The James McCulloch who returned is an old man. His hair, which the passport describes as dark brown, is gray, he has been twice badly wounded, and he has suffered most of all from gas hock. But he never been afraid, except of one thing.

"The fellows who are fighting at the front have just one big fear now," he said. "They are afraid that an easy peace will be patched up with Germany and that the whole thing will have to be gone through with again a dozen years from now. All that we've done is wasted if the next generation has to do it all over. We've paid the price once, and once is enough. We fought thinking that we were making the world safe for the kids, and if the politicians and those who don't know what they're doing make peace before there can be any peace, we haven't gained a thing."

He returned to his Kipling, which he quotes with an Irish brogue. "The bear that walks like a man," he said. "I never heard of the peace proposals of the Germans that I don't think of that poem. You remember how the bear came up to the hunter with its paws outstretched, begging for peace, and how the hunter's heart was touched with pity for the monstrous, pleading thing? So he did not fire, and the steel-shod paw ripped his face away, when he would have taken it in friendship, and left him forever blind to the darkened years, and the little mercy of men."

James McCulloch quoted in a voice that was husky from shell-shock: "This is the time to fear—

When he stands up like a tired man, tottering near and near; When he stands up as pleading, in wavering, man-brute guise, When he vells the hate and cunning of the little, swinish eyes; When he shows as seeking quarter with paws like hands in prayer.

That is the time of peril—the time of the Truce of the Bear."

"None of those chaps who are over there fighting want to make a truce with the bear," James McCulloch said. "No man who has stood twenty-four hours in front of a German shell fire, and has been forced to give way, and later to watch the Germans come into a French village while he looked on at the outrages there, is going to have any illusions about what the Huns will do if we give in before the fight is fought to a finish."

Ran Race for Comrade. "I saw something over there on the battlefield that Kipling would have loved to write a poem about. I'll bet. It tickles me yet whenever I think of it. It was after the battle, and a little Highlander, four foot nothing or so, had got hung up on the barbed wire entrenchments. All of a sudden a big German saw him and rushed back to get him, his ugly face a grin. And just as I thought the little chap was done for, one of the bestest Highlanders I ever saw caught on to what was happening, let out a bellow and started back. It was a race for the little fellow's life, and devil take him if the Scotty was the hindmost. But he wasn't. He got there in time to run his bayonet

In addition to a comprehensive program of talks by district and state officials, "experience exchanges" by society officers and plans for carrying on work of the race, in the army and navy, the delegates will be called upon to attend a number of social events arranged by the local churches and civic organizations.

Soldiers Celebrate Day. VANCOUVER BARRACKS, Wash., Feb. 22.—Soldiers stationed here are celebrating Washington's birthday with a big athletic carnival, including events of interest every class of men. Symbolic of the day will be a wood-splitting contest, husky lumbermen of the spruce production division vying with each other in chopping through logs.

Other events on the program include: relay overcoat race, bomb throwing, medicine ball race, land pontoon race, tug of war, carrying counter relay, litter race, obstacle race and pie eating contest for two men teams. Four hundred men are competing for the 100 prizes.

Walker Brothers Wanted. MILTON, Ore., Feb. 22.—Following the arrest of Fred and John Walker, residents of the Lowden section, by the officers of Walla Walla county on a charge of stealing potatoes, Deputy Sheriff J. H. West secured a search warrant and this morning visited the Walker home, where he found a number of tools that were stolen from a blacksmith shop of this city some time ago and a quantity of merchandise that was stolen about Christmas time from a warehouse of the Milton Grocery company at Freewater. It is said the men will be brought to this county for trial as soon as they complete their 30 day sentences imposed by Walla Walla court yesterday.

Indians Are Arrested. GOLD HILL, Utah, Feb. 22.—A detachment of soldiers from Fort Douglas yesterday surrounded a band of Indians in the Goshute reservation, near the Nevada state line, and arrested seven ringleaders in the uprising against the army draft and who have been threatening the safety of Indian Agent Frank. The Indians refused to register for the draft. No trouble was experienced in making the arrests, although the soldiers were prepared to use their weapons on any provocation. Two other ringleaders escaped to the mountains, but their capture is expected in a day or two. The arrests cowed the Indians and they signified their willingness to obey the draft law.

clear through the German. I was wounded but I laughed when I saw that. Then he just yanked the little fellow off the barb wire and they strolled off, saying nothing, being Scotchmen, and acting as calm as if they had just been to the corner for a morning paper.

"I've seen a lot of Germans before this. Whichever my work has taken me, and that's pretty much all over the world, they all had the same notion—nothing but relentless expansion. I've watched them in Mexico, in South America, in Australia, the South Sea Islands, and half a dozen other places, and they're all the same. Their souls are poisoned with their desire for world-possession.

Fought for United States. "German babies get that idea with their milk, and have since Frederick the Great. Once I fought with two husky Germans at once in the San Juan Islands for Spain, but their country would own the United States in a few years. I may be a hot-headed Irishman but I couldn't stand for that.

"The Belgian outrages stuck in my gullet. Just as soon as I could fix things up in the west I started. On the boat I met the others and the fourteen of us stuck together. There were Caroll and Miller, and Evans and Frazier and Sutton; he was a newspaper editor from Hong Kong. Just four days after we enlisted in the Medical Corps of the Royal Army (I was later transferred to the Engineers Corps) there was a little puff of smoke, and Sutton went west. Well, he had a whack at the Germans for four days, anyhow.

"Then there was Jensen, a Swede from the middle west, and Burke, the staunchest of fishermen—I'd know him in Chile and Henderson, a waltzy little chap brought up in cities but all right; he's in the hospital at Aldershot now. And the others are dead.

"This war has put my hair white but I'm glad I went. It was mud, monotony and misery but in the background there was always the angel with the flaming sword" old Omar talks about. I carried Omar in my pocket. He and Kipling are good old sports—the kind you can read even at war.

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the top? They don't, much, all afterwards—or maybe I hadn't any imagination much in war time, going over the top, when all is said, is just one foot after another, and there you are, with something worth while to see through and glad to do it. You may wish it well over but you never wish yourself out of it."

He will spend two weeks at Sulphur Springs in Virginia, and after that he will return to the west. When the mountain air has washed the gas from his lungs he wants to enlist again—this time with the American forces. He looked so old and broken as he told of his hopes to "get back on the job" that one needed all James McCulloch's Irish optimism to listen to him untouched.

"I'm gratified glad I went," he said. "But I think my stars that when I get well enough to be of some use again I can go with the American army. Gee whiz, but I was getting tired of being an Englishman."



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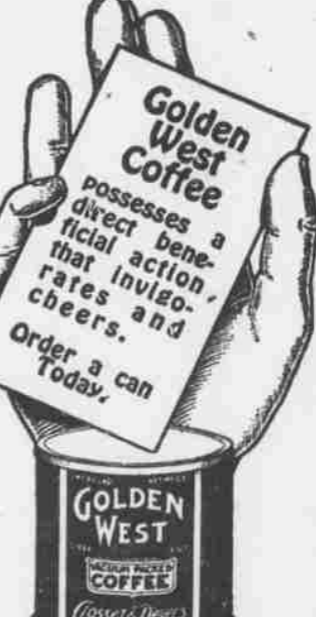
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