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Why Seek the Living Among the Dead?

This nation will stand with bowed head on Monday next, at the graves of those who took part in the wars of the country. It is a fitting tribute to pay to the memories of those who fought and risked their lives in defense of and for the maintenance of the nation. But this commemoration is something more than respect paid to the honored dead, as it emphasizes the living ideals which were fostered and strengthened by the lives laid down in their behalf. Out of death comes life, for death is the letting loose of life that it may have freer play and larger development. The seed sown in the ground disintegrates, but rises increased thirty, sixty and a hundred fold. It loses its life only to find it again more abundantly. So out of the dissolution and destruction wrought by war, a larger national life emerges, fertilized by the blood of heroes. On this solemn day of commemoration let us not dwell on its sombre aspects, but while we lay the laurel on their resting places, lift up our eyes and see them as a vast living host marching on side by side with us, urging and cheering us to follow their good example of self-sacrifice for God and country. In these days of unrest and perplexity, we need their story to help us prove steadfast in our integrity, and not give way to despair.

"Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses,—let us run with steadfastness the race that is set before us." Look up, not down. God reigns and if we be only true, "the government of the people, by the people and for the people, shall not perish from the earth."

The defeated candidate is inclined to agree with what the psalmist said in his haste, that "all men are liars."

Marion county voted against the millage tax. How's that for a reputation?

That Mr. Taft is a statesman of a high order, is shown by his remarks on the league of nations in an interview last Sunday. As he lectures tonight on this subject no doubt he will amplify his statements and clear up any mooted points. We still hope that he will be the dark horse which will carry the republican party to a glorious victory in November.

President Wilson has sent a message to congress asking that it accept the mandate to take Armenia under the protection of the U. S. There is little chance that congress will rise to the occasion. None of the European nations is in a position to do what is required, and unless a strong power like ourselves, takes hold of the situation, the Armenians are doomed to continual persecution and massacre by the Turks. Vast sums are being raised in this country for their relief, but these will practically be wasted, unless the Armenians are protected. In this case, an ounce of prevention is worth a ton of eleemosynary help.

DOVER ITEMS

State Veterinarian Gardner was through Dover Monday testing cows.

Mr. and Mrs. Shaw entertained their daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Rich and family from Pleasant Home, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Stauber were calling on Joseph DeShozer Friday afternoon.

Several from the Eagle Creek shingle mill attended the Community services a week ago Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Road Cape of Portland, were visiting at Mr. Guthrie's, Sunday.

Mr. Brackeby, of Portland, was visiting his sister, Mrs. R. E. Thompson, Saturday.

The Epworth League held a special meeting Wednesday evening, to elect a fourth vice-president. After the business part, the young folks enjoyed themselves playing games, the young ladies serving refreshments later.

Presbyterian Church

Services every Sunday: At Springwater 11 a. m.; at George 3 p. m.; at Eagle Creek 8 p. m. J. D. McClennan, Pastor.

M. E. Church

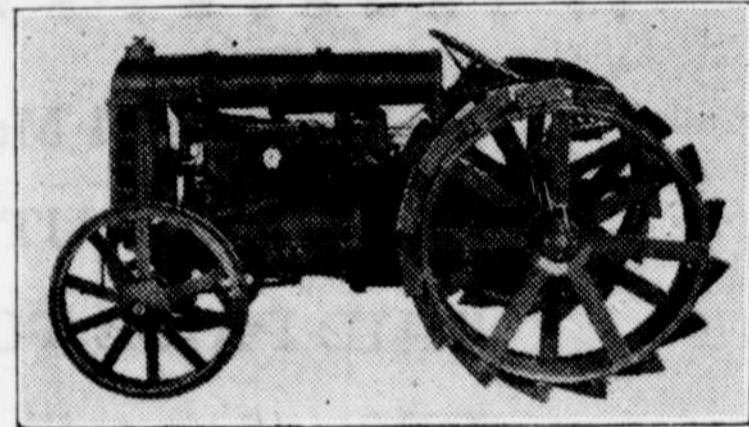
There will be services both morning and evening next Sunday at 11:00 a. m. and 8:00 p. m. Sunday School at 10:00 a. m., Young People's Meeting at 6:30 p. m. Everyone cordially invited to attend these services. J. F. Dunlop, Pastor

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