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## Commercial Club Is Working Hard

A special meeting of the directors of the Forest Grove Commercial club was held at the office of President L. M. Graham yesterday afternoon, to take care of some of the details needed for the comfort of the people who will come to the G. A. R. and W. R. C. encampment on June 27-29.

The local members of the G. A. R. asked a committee to take the visitors to their rooms after they have registered and President Graham asked the Boy Scouts if they would like to do this. A committee of Scouts was present and reported they were willing to do anything asked of them. They get the job without compensation.

A committee from the W. R. C. reported they were making a list of rooms available and would be able to report next week. Some complaint came from prospective visitors regarding a charge of \$1.00 for rooms and it was decided to ask people with rooms to rent beds for one person at 50c and for two persons at 75c. They are also asked to serve breakfasts at 25c and dinners and suppers at 35c.

Messrs. Inlow, Bates and Dyke were appointed to look after the registration of visitors.

Messrs. Fenenga and Dyke are a committee to ask the city council to erect a flagpole, purchase a flag and provide special lighting for the business section.

Secretary Johnson and A. E. Scott were appointed to raise a little money to send 20 uniformed Boy Scouts to Portland today to represent this city in a patriotic parade. They have done their work and the Scouts left at 1:15.

President Graham, Secretary Johnson, A. G. Hoffman, A. E. Scott, Joseph P. Hurley and W. C. Benfer were appointed an advertising and printing committee.

Mrs. W. W. McEldowney had offered to train a chorus to furnish vocal music and her offer was enthusiastically accepted.

W. J. McCready, Ray T. Williams and W. P. Dyke were appointed to co-operate with the Grand Army and the Woman's club in arranging for a parade on the opening day.

President Graham and Secretary Johnson were authorized to purchase between 1,000 and 1,500 badges for the G. A. R., W. R. C. and Ladies of the G. A. R.

The Commercial club will pay the railroad fare and entertainment for the Fire and Drum Corps of twelve members.

Messrs. Sanford, Bates and McCready are a committee to fix up the band stand and provide seats for spectators.

Directors then adjourned to Tuesday, April 24, at 7:30 p. m.

## Mrs. Alexander Indicted

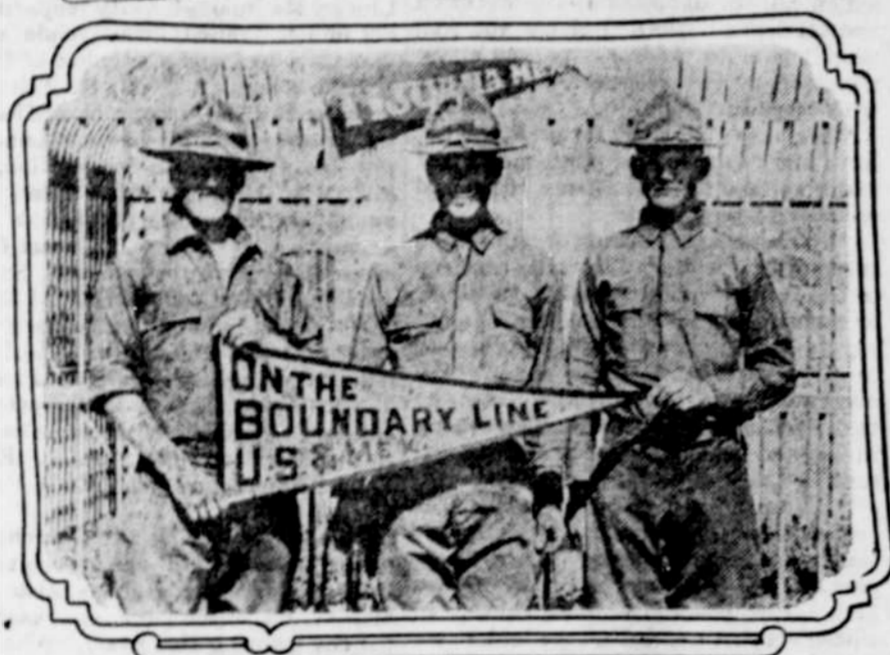
The Express learns that the recent grand jury found an indictment for assault against Mrs. Marian Alexander, wife of Robert Alexander, living a short distance southwest of this city. The assault is alleged to have been made on her fourteen-year-old stepson, Louis Alexander, and consisted of pouring scalding water on his head and back. The accused is at liberty pending her trial in circuit court under a bond of \$100, with her husband and W. D. Wood as sureties.

## Horseshoers Elect Officers

The members of Local No. 686, Master Horseshoers, met in this city Sunday in annual meeting and elected officers, as follows: A. W. Mills, Banks, president; L. M. Goit, Reedville, vice president; J. G. Lenneville, Forest Grove, secretary; E. D. Kerr, Hillsboro, treasurer.

The Express learns that the high price of feed has induced many milk dealers to raise prices a cent a quart, beginning May 1st.

## SIX OF FAMILY ENLIST



The Busch patriots: Top, left to right—Albert, Emma and Robert. Bottom, left to right—William, Richard and Louis.

(Picture through courtesy of Oregon Journal)

There may be towns in Oregon which have sent a greater percentage of their population to war than Forest Grove (and there may not), but there are none, so far as the Express has heard, which sent a greater percentage out of one family than this city, when it sent five boys and a girl out of a family of seven (the seventh being Fred Busch, who is too young to enlist.) These five boys and girl shown in the above picture are the children of William and Mary Busch, both deceased, who have stuck together and finished paying for a little farm that their father purchased on time shortly before his death, in 1909. The mother died in 1910. Both the parents were born in Germany, but this fact does not prevent the children being loyal American citizens. William and Richard are corporals and Louis, Albert and Robert are privates in Company F, while the sister, Emma, is a Nurse at the Sellwood hospital, who has enlisted in the Red Cross. Albert and Robert are twins.

## Worthy Citizen Called

George Edwin McKibbin, for twelve years a highly-respected resident of this vicinity, passed away at a Portland sanitarium Friday evening April 13th, following an operation. Funeral services were held at the Buxton chapel, in this city, Tuesday afternoon at 2:30, under the auspices of the local camp of Modern Woodmen, of which deceased was an honored member. Elder Elson H. Emmerson of Laurelwood preached the sermon and a quartet, composed of Mrs. A. E. Gardner, Mrs. E. G. Webb, James Andrus and Thomas Isaacs, sang some of the favorite hymns of the deceased. The pallbearers were Geo. G. Paterson, A. E. Scott, E. G. Mills, Wm. Weitzel, B. F. White and S. Gibson. The ritualistic services of the M. W. A. were rendered at the grave, in Forest View cemetery.

Deceased was born in Ontario, Canada, Nov. 7, 1872, and seventeen years ago, in North Dakota, was united in marriage with Miss Margaret Avery. Twelve years ago the family moved to their farm, a mile northeast of this city, where they have since resided.

Mr. McKibbin is survived by his widow and four children, Harold, aged 16; Nellie, aged 14; John, aged 12, and Gladys, aged 9. He leaves two brothers in Minnesota, one in Canada and one sister, Mrs. John Taylor of this city.

George McKibbin was a loving and affectionate husband, a kind father and a good neighbor and

his death leaves a vacant place in the community that will be felt by many.

## Jesse Knight Called

Jesse Knight, for the past fourteen years a respected citizen of Forest Grove, passed to his reward at his home on North Fourth street at 2 o'clock Wednesday morning, aged 78 years.

Deceased was born in Randolph county, Indiana, Sept. 6th, 1838, and moved with his parents to Iowa when twelve years of age. In the spring of 1860 he crossed the plains to Colorado, where he mined for gold. In October, 1862, he enlisted in the second Colorado cavalry and served in the war until its close. In 1868, at Guthrie, Iowa, he was united in marriage with Miss Martha J. Sheely, who, with two daughters—Mrs. Zelpha K. Austin of Riverside, Calif., and Mrs. Lulu A. Bayne of this city—survive the husband and father.

Mr. Knight joined the local Christian church in 1908 and has always been a faithful member. He was a loyal husband, a kind father and exemplary citizen.

Funeral services were held at the Buxton chapel at 10 o'clock this morning. Rev. Sias of McMinville and Rev. R. L. Putnam of this city officiating, and the remains were taken to Portland by Undertaker Buxton this afternoon for cremation.

People down from Upper Gales Creek today report that the promoters of the new railroad are taking up rights-of-way, preparatory to beginning work.

## More Enlistments

Local boys who have enlisted in Uncle Sam's service since last week's announcements are as follows:

Tom Todd, Howard Jones and John Frost have enlisted in the naval militia band and left Portland Sunday for Bremerton navy yards, in company with twenty-five other musicians. After a short season of training, they will be transferred to a battleship, where they will act as powder-monkeys when their vessel is engaged in battle.

Encil Todd has enlisted in the U. S. marine corps and is still in Portland, awaiting assignment.

Floyd Tucker enlisted in the navy Monday.

Billy Martin tried to enlist, but was a half inch short. He will try again.

Albert Kirkwood expects to take the examination in a day or two as a civil engineer in Uncle Sam's service.

Glen Hoar went to Portland this morning to enlist in the navy.

A. B. Provost of Portland is in the city seeking recruits for the navy.

## Mobilization Banquet Next Monday Evening

A great campaign for the purpose of effecting the complete mobilization of the national forces of the Young Men's Christian Association for field service in the United States Army, has been ordered by Dr. John R. Mott, International Field Secretary, and endorsed by President Wilson.

A banquet was held in the Washington hotel, Hillsboro, Wednesday for the purpose of electing executive committees to take charge of this work in Washington county. The following citizens of Forest Grove were present at this banquet: Mayor Geo. G. Paterson, W. J. McCready, C. A. Littler, Rev. Patten, Rev. R. E. Dunlap, Prof. Bates, Prof. R. F. Clarke, Dr. Bishop, A. G. Hoffman and B. J. Simpson. The meeting was addressed by four of the state Y. M. C. A. leaders from Portland and the following executive committee was elected to handle the campaign in Western Washington county comprising the territory contiguous to Cornelius, Forest Grove, Dilley, Gaston, Gales Creek and Hillside:

Chairman—B. J. Simpson  
Secretary—Prof. R. F. Clarke.  
Treasurers—M. R. Johnson and John Thornburgh

Directors—Geo. G. Paterson, W. H. Hollis and Prof. Bates.

A banquet will be held in the Laughlin Hotel next Monday evening at 6:30 to formulate plans for carrying on the work in this district and all business men and others interested in our soldier boys' welfare are urged to be present. Those expecting to attend will please hand their names to the following committee: W. J. McCready, A. G. Hoffman or Dr. Bishop. Plates 35 cents. Those interested from territory outside of Forest Grove are cordially invited to attend this banquet.

## Cornelius to Pave

The common council of the city of Cornelius last night awarded contracts as follows for the material to pave four blocks on the Base Line road and two blocks on Pine street: C. B. Buchanan 1550 barrels of Portland cement; Columbia Contract company, sand, gravel and crushed rock; Trusted Concrete Steel company, steel wire mesh, Union Oil company, bituminous road binder.

George Ortman was in town today, buying material to finish up his new house.

## Red Cross Chapter To Be Organized

At 8 o'clock this evening, at Marsh hall, there will be a public meeting for the purpose of organizing a chapter of the American Red Cross society, Mrs. B. F. White of this city having been commissioned by the national officers to organize a branch in Forest Grove.

The meeting will be addressed by Dr. Ralph Mattson of Portland, famous tuberculosis specialist, who has just returned from the European battlefields, by Henri Labbe, French vice consul at Portland, and by a prominent Red Cross worker.

Speakers will explain the aims and purposes of the society, which is open to men, women and children. Two hundred members must be secured to hold a charter. If these are not secured, the members in this city must affiliate with some other chapter, probably the Portland chapter.

Everybody is urged to attend Good music and some new drills by the Boy Scouts, under direction of Scoutmaster Ray T. Williams.

## An Excellent Entertainment

The Juniors and Seniors of the Forest Grove high school, produced "No. 728" at the Star Theater last night to a big crowd and the young actors did themselves proud. They will play a return engagement at the same place this evening, at 25c and 35c.

Those taking part were Misses Mabel Rasmussen, Sadie McCoy, Idabelle Burns, Esther Lasham and Messrs. Joseph Loomis, Ernest Dye, Clarence Lenneville, Peter Duycke, Francis Taylor and Dale Underwood.

The music by Walker's orchestra added much to the success of the entertainment.

## Honor Guard Will Farm

President Wilson and Secretary Houston have urged the immediate co-operation of every township in planting increased acreage of potatoes and garden truck.

"The Girls National Honor Guard" has been asked to do its share and the local Guard has already been successful in securing the use of vacant lots. Men with teams will be asked to donate a little of their time to plow the land.

Boy Scouts, clubs, townspeople and girls of the Guard will be formed into details for properly caring for and planting these lots.

H. B. Johnson has agreed to take active supervision of the work.

This movement is for the community and not the individual. For further particulars call Mrs. Ray T. Williams, Leader.

Mrs. Clifford Walker Tuesday and Wednesday evenings entertained at cards and refreshments a large number of men and women and this afternoon she is entertaining in the same manner a number of ladies.

Yesterday was one of the birthday anniversaries of Comrade George Thomas, a member of the local G. A. R. post, and after the regular post meeting, Mr. Thomas and some of the other boys served a dinner baked and prepared by Comrade Thomas, the guests being the members of the post and the ladies of the Relief Corps. Mr. Thomas baked several of the cakes used at the dinner and the ladies admit that he is some baker. A nice musical and literary program was rendered.