

Every Ticket sold for "The Stars and Stripes in France" Means Xmas Cheer for a U. S. Soldier

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PURSES OPEN TO Y. M. C. A.

The citizens of Western Washington county, including Forest Grove, are again doing themselves proud in their response to the appeal of the American and allied armies to give the Army Y. M. C. A. \$35,000,000 to make more comfortable the lives of the enlisted men in American training camps and European battlefronts. The drive in this section started Monday morning and the minimum quota of \$1500 is nearly reached. With a proper response by the few who have not yet contributed, Forest Grove's share will be in by tomorrow night.

Following are the teams working in this city:

Team 1—T. E. Isaacs, Captain; H. E. Inlow, C. L. Mocroft, E. D. West, R. M. Stevens, W. C. Benfer.

Team 2—J. M. Barber, Captain; H. B. Johnson, H. L. Bates, W. J. R. Beach.

Team 3—W. P. Dyke, Captain; A. G. Hoffman, P. L. Schultz, M. R. Johnson, C. M. Good, E. E. Williams.

Team 4—Dr. C. E. Hawke, Captain; M. J. Fenenga, J. P. Hurley, C. A. Littler, Dr. J. S. Bishop, Dr. Q. Tucker.

Team 5—Manche Langley, Captain; Mrs. E. F. Burlingham, Mrs. J. W. Macrum, Mrs. A. B. Caples, Mrs. W. Goff.

Teams have also been enlisted at Gaston, Dilley, Buxton, Cornelius, Banks, Gales Creek, Kansas City and Hillside and hustling little Dilley made up its quota before night the first day of solicitation, with Buxton only a lap behind.

The workers met Friday evening at the Methodist church, where they and friends to the number of ninety partook of a substantial dinner, prepared by the members of the Ladies' Aid Society.

After the dinner, Toastmaster B. J. Simpson, who is also general chairman of the local committee, stated the objects of the meeting (to prepare for a collection of funds to send 500 Y. M. C. A. secretaries to Europe and build and equip additional "huts" in the training camps of this country.)

He then introduced Sergeant-Major Kenning, who returned less than a year ago from the trenches in France, bearing wounds from German shrapnel shells. The major has a father and four brothers still in France, or had when he last heard from there, and he says the percentage of casualties is not nearly so heavy as it was during the first year of the war; the soldiers have learned how to protect themselves. But there are many ills besides German and Austrian bullets from which inexperienced boys need protection. Quite a number of men and boys have lost their reason by being long periods in the trenches without relief from the deafening roar of battle and the sight of blood and suffering. To these the wholesome atmosphere of a Y. M. C. A. hut is a heaven of rest and comfort. He says the Army "Y" has dugouts in the first line trenches, where they serve hot coffee, cocoa and sandwiches to the cold and homesick boys from Canada and America. Many Y. M. C. A. workers have been killed by enemy bullets and bombs, so close are they to the firing line.

Chairman Simpson called attention to the fact that practically all the soldiers letters coming from France were written on "Y" stationery and mentioned a number of instances where these let-

ters carried words of praise for the Y. M. C. A.

W. D. Wheelwright of Portland, an orator of considerable ability, declared that it was a question—and a grave one—as to whether or not Teutonic "kultur" should dominate the world and crush out democracy. Much depended on the American soldiers and they could not do effective service unless the people at home backed them up with ammunition, food and comfort. The Army "Y" was in his opinion, a very important organization and was doing a glorious work in giving the American boys a place to congregate, read, write and enjoy a few hours amid clean, wholesome, peaceful surroundings. He advised giving liberally to the Army "Y" fund, so liberally that the giver could feel the "hurt" of his gift. Such hurts ought to be a comfort to those who were not suffering physical pain on the battlefields, as are thousands of our best boys and men.

Several hundred people heard the addresses and dozens of them asked questions of Major Kenning as to various phases of the world-war, receiving courteous answers to all their questions.

Next week the Express will publish the names of contributors.

An Old Soldier Called

W. H. Luster passed away at his home, near Strassel, on Sunday and the remains were interred in Forest View cemetery at 11 o'clock last Tuesday morning, after services at the home of Mrs. A. B. Todd, Rev. B. F. Clay of the Hillsboro Christian church officiating. Members of the local G. A. R. officiated as pall bearers, deceased having been a member of the Grand Army.

Deceased was born in West Virginia on April 30, 1842, and in 1869 was married to Miss Sarah R. Wilson. To this union were born six children, of whom five survive, as follows: W. A. Luster of Strassel, A. C. Luster of Sara, Wash., T. E. Luster of Portland, Mrs. F. E. Robins of Salem and Mrs. A. B. Todd of this city. Deceased came to Oregon with his family in 1889 and has lived at Strassel ever since, with the exception of several years spent with his daughter's family in this city. Mrs. Luster passed away several years ago.

Deceased was a kind and affectionate father, a good neighbor and a model Christian and his passing will be mourned even outside his family.

Frank Raines, aged 38, a brother to John Raines of Gales Creek, was killed near Clatskanie Tuesday in a most peculiar manner. He was conductor on a logging train and stood near while logs were being swung from the cars by crane. One of the logs swung gently against him, pushing him back against an embankment. When the log swung away, Mr. Raines fell over dead. The blow of the log had been so slight that those who witnessed the accident were astonished at the serious result, but an investigation cleared up the mystery, for it was found that when he was pushed against the embankment, a small twig had entered his ear, reaching a vital part. The unfortunate man, who was born and reared up Gales Creek, leaves a wife and several children. Funeral will be held at Gales Creek at 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

We've "got 'em."—those bathing suits you have been asking about. A. G. Hoffman & Co.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Roy Phelps of Gales Creek Monday, but passed away yesterday.

Goff's offer of an aluminum saucepan for 89c expires Saturday night.

Woman's Club Meeting Was Very Interesting

The regular monthly business meeting of the Woman's club was held at Langley hall Monday afternoon, with a good attendance and an unusually interesting program. Three new members were admitted.

Mrs. Jennie Kemp of Portland, a former president of the W. C. T. U., and a member of Mr. Hoover's food conservation army, made a fine address on "sweeping the platter clean," giving the local conservers in the club some good pointers and taking back to Portland with her, according to yesterday's Oregonian, some equally helpful hints which she is passing on to other clubs.

The club has adopted the following themes for Mrs. Richardson's conservation committee, to be discussed and demonstrated the first Monday's in each month, at Langley hall:

- December, "Complete Use of Available Materials."
- January, "Use of Cereals."
- February, "Meal Planning and Account Keeping."
- March, "Home Managing."
- April, "Labor Savers."
- May, "Conservation of Animal Products."
- June, "Canning, Drying and Preserving Fruits."
- July, "Canning and Drying Vegetables."
- August, "Textiles."
- September, "Conservation of Health."

All housewives are invited to these meetings.

It was announced that Rev. A. B. Patten of the Congregational church had consented to deliver an address at the open meeting to be held at Langley hall on November 26th, to which the public is invited.

Mrs. C. E. Walker, made a report of the proceedings of the convention of the Oregon Association for the Prevention of Tuberculosis recently held in Portland, and Mrs. Richardson was appointed the club's representative to the proposed Washington county conservation league which is being organized.

CONDENSED NEWS NOTES

Lost—Bunch of keys, on belt hook. Claude Smith. It

Mrs. A. A. Hall left this morning for a visit at Tacoma.

Mrs. S. A. Walker is recovering from her recent operation.

The Hoffman-Nichols cannery has just put in tin 3,000 gallons of squash.

Mrs. Sidney Thwaite and little daughter visited friends in Hillsboro today.

G. E. Towery and family arrived yesterday for a visit with Jim Ritchey and family.

Just drop in and see our line of Hardeman hats—latest shapes and shades. A. G. Hoffman & Co.

Mrs. Albert Spiering of near Banks was operated on at the Forest Grove hospital Monday and is doing nicely.

Our sweaters and sweater coats for men, women and children are attracting attention these frosty mornings. A. G. Hoffman & Co.

Mrs. Geo. T. Darland and daughter, Edith, arrived yesterday from LaGrand to join their husband and father, Dr. Darland.

The members of the Washington County Poultry association last Thursday elected the following officers: W. T. Lethin, president; Walter Roswurm, vice president; R. H. Greer, treasurer; G. M. Littlehales, secretary; J. Morrow, G. A. Bryant and W. Tupper, executive committee.

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A son was born Tuesday to Mr. and Mrs. Roy Maitland of Gales Creek.

The home of Joseph Kemper of Verboort was gladdened yesterday by the arrival of a new son.

"Get next" to our overcoats. They are warm ones. A. G. Hoffman & Co.

Miss Mary VanKoughnet is at the local hospital, recovering from an operation performed Sunday.

The members of the C. R. Lasham family are preparing to move to Tacoma next week and last Thursday evening forty of Miss Esther's high school mates invaded the Lasham home, fortified with plenty of "eats," and spent several hours very pleasantly at music, games and dancing, followed by a nice lunch. The young people were chaperoned by Mr. and Mrs. Paul Schultz and four of the high school teachers.

Red Cross Branch to Bring Christmas Cheer

The program is practically complete for the patriotic picture show and concert to be given at the Star Theater next Wednesday and Thursday evenings for the purpose of raising funds to purchase Christmas packages for the American boys in France. The show is given under the auspices of the local Red Cross Military Relief committee and some of the leading musicians of the county are to take part.

After considerable effort, the famous film of the European war, "Under the Stars and Stripes in France," has been secured for the benefit. This is a two-reel feature that has attracted so much attention on account of its sensational showing of the battlefields and soldier camps.

Then there are two reels of roaring comedy, "Lonesome Luke's Honeymoon," and a one-reel Pathe News feature—5,000 feet of film in all.

The musical program is not entirely complete, but there will be patriotic music by a special orchestra, singing of both American and French patriotic songs by well-known soloists, vaudeville numbers by Peter Vanoudenhagen, "The Belgian Nightingale," in whistling numbers, accompanied by his brother on the accordion, several numbers by a quartet of singers and other numbers not yet selected. It will be a big program and well worth the price—15c for children under 12 years and 30c for older children and adults. "The Stars and Stripes in France" alone has been drawing good houses in Portland at 25c.

Girls of the Honor Guard and Boy Scouts will canvass the city Saturday with tickets. Every ticket sold means Christmas cheer for some homesick soldier boy, maybe your boy and maybe the son of your neighbor. Come thru.

Smith Goes It Alone

Claude Smith, who has been associated with Chas. O. Roe in the furniture business for the past three years, this morning became sole owner of the business, having purchased the interest of his partner, who has decided the sewing machine business offers a very lucrative field for his hustling ability.

Roe & Co. have always enjoyed their full share of the furniture business of this end of the county and there is no reason why Mr. Smith should not hold all of the business, for he was born here along about the time Mount Hood started to become a hill and knows ninety per cent of the people of this city by their first names. The Express wishes both Smith and Roe success in their separate fields of endeavor.

City Employees to Receive More Pay

With all members present, the city council last Tuesday evening gave first reading to the resolution providing for increases in the pay of city employees of \$10 per month, those effected being Street Commissioner, Watkins, who is to receive \$85 per month; S. G. Morgan, chief engineer at power plant, \$95; two assistants, \$85 each; Frank Baer, teamster, \$75. This resolution will be voted on at the December meeting and if it carries, as seems likely, the increase applies to November salaries.

Bills amounting to \$2,694.00 were allowed and the finance committee was instructed to borrow money at the banks to meet the difference between the bills and the sum of \$1,251.00 on hand.

Treasurer Sparks recommended taking up three street improvement bonds and a warrant, totaling better than \$2,000 and the council so ordered. A warrant for \$10 was ordered drawn for S. A. Walker to pay damages done his property when the sewer was run through the Walker strawberry bed.

Street committee reported that rock for the improvement of Seventh street was hard to get and it might be necessary to plank the road and stop work until spring.

A resolution authorizing the street commissioner to build a cement walk just south of the S. P. depot, on the Wirtz property, was ordered drawn.

The public service commission having ordered five railroad warning signs put up by the city, purchasing committee was authorized to secure such signs.

E. G. Mills and one other asked to have the electric lights extended to their homes, but the expense of extending a half mile was considered too great at this time.

Lighting committee was authorized to install a street light near the cannery, to investigate the need of lights at the east end of Second avenue, south, and near the Dopp residence, Sixth street and First avenue, south.

The county commissioners asked the city to move approximately 500 feet of its water mains, northwest of the city, to make room for a change in the road, but no action was taken.

Mayor Paterson reported that the lawsuit of the Elliott Construction company against the city was set for next Monday, but Mr. Fulton, one of the city's attorneys, was too ill to appear. He was authorized to secure other counsel.

Council then adjourned until last evening, when it reconvened to adopt the 1918 budget.

All members were present last night except Councilmen McCready and Hawke. After three hours of figuring, the council came to the conclusion that it would be necessary to increase the budget over last year the full 6 per cent allowed by law, bringing the amount available from taxation and other resources up to \$29,703.00, as against \$27,681.86 last year. Of this amount, \$10,000 must be raised by taxation, the remainder being derived from the light and water and other sources of revenue. The budget was adopted by unanimous vote of the four councilmen present and council adjourned to Dec. 6th, at 7:30 p. m., at which time objections to the budget will be heard.

Recorder Dyke reported that taxpayers had retained Attorney W. H. Hollis to bring the new cement sidewalk ordinance up for a referendum vote at the next general election, November, 1918, so the ordinance will sleep for a year, at least.