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RED CROSS TO BEGIN MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

If you are not asked to join the American Red Cross society between next Monday and Christmas night it will be because somebody has neglected his or her duty. All over the United States solicitors will be working from Dec. 17th to 25th, inclusive, to increase the membership by not less than 10,000,000.

A meeting was held in the office of Judge Hollis, chairman of the local branch, last Monday evening and an organization to bring 3,000 members from the western half of Washington county was perfected. Prof. H. L. Bates was elected chairman of the campaign committee for Forest Grove and W. H. Hollis will have charge of the work in the smaller towns adjacent to this city. Mrs. Merle M. Reder will be secretary, with permanent headquarters at Judge Hollis' office; Prof. R. F. Clark is chairman of the committee on speakers, Rev. A. B. Patten is head of the publicity department and M. R. Johnson is treasurer; Thomas Isaacs, H. E. Inlow, Miss Manche Langley and Mrs. Brady Chowning were elected captains of four teams of ten members each to solicit Forest Grove and W. J. McCreedy, W. P. Dyke, L. M. Graham and Walter Chalmers will captain the four teams who look after the smaller town. Mrs. Abbie J. Whitehouse will have charge of the booths to be set up in the city for the housing of membership solicitors. B. J. Simpson is general manager for the west half of the county and Dr. R. M. Erwin of Hillsboro is manager for the eastern half of the county.

W. C. Benfer, Mrs. Dorothy Seymour and H. F. Wilson were elected a committee to arrange for a lunch, to be given at the Christian church at 6:30 next Monday evening for the purpose of explaining to the people of the city just why and how this drive is being made. Tickets are being sold at 35c and only 100 will be sold, as this is all the ladies of the church can accommodate. However, the public is invited to attend the speaking which will follow in the auditorium immediately after the lunch. Good speakers from Portland will be present to tell of the great need of more members for the Red Cross.

The Red Cross authorities at Portland have notified Manager Simpson that the west half of Washington county was the first district to report a complete organization.

The membership campaign will be brought to a close with a community "Sing," to be held at one of the churches or Marsh Hall on Christmas night, the Brotherhood to have charge of this feature. Everybody who can sing in chorus is invited to attend and lend his or her voice to the glad hosannas. Thomas E. Isaacs is now preparing the program, which will be announced in next week's papers.

Meeting of Directors

The directors of the local branch of the Red Cross met at the office of Chairman Hollis Friday night, audited and allowed bills (for material) amounting to \$211.09.

The officers and members are getting ready for a big membership drive, to be started next Monday. The drive is to be started simultaneously all over the United States. Those who join will be given membership for

1918 for \$1.00. Fifty cents of every dollar remains with the local branch to buy yarn and other supplies. Are you in?

Mrs. Whitehouse, secretary of the Military Relief committee, reported that between 50 and 70 women were coming to the sewing rooms every Thursday afternoon to work on garments for the soldier boys and, in addition, many women were knitting in their homes. More than 300 knitted garments had been turned in since Aug. 1st, in addition to the hundreds of other articles made by the women of Forest Grove and vicinity.

Letters were read from Company E, 4th Engineers, at Vancouver barracks, from the clerk of the Seventh coast artillery, Fort Columbia, and from the head of the coast defense surgical department, Fort Stevens, thanking the ladies for dish towels, dish rags, gun wipes, etc.

After some discussion, it was decided not to take up the making of surgical dressings at this time, as some of the larger chapters are better equipped for this work than the local branch.

Rev. R. E. Dunlap resigned as a director, on account of leaving the city soon and, on Mr. Dunlap's suggestion, Thos. E. Isaacs was elected to fill the vacancy. The chairman was instructed, by vote, to write Mr. Dunlap a letter expressing regret at his resignation and thanking him for the very efficient aid given the Red Cross movement in the past.

Join the Red Cross today; do your Dollar Duty—Now.

Addressed Woman's Club

Mrs. Sadie Orr Dunbar, secretary of the Oregon Association for the Prevention of Tuberculosis, addressed the members of the Forest Grove Woman's club Monday afternoon, impressing on the ladies the great need of selling all the Christmas Seals possible. The legislature has repeatedly refused to make sufficient appropriations to care for the tubercular citizens of the state and the society which Mrs. Dunbar represents is doing all it can along this line.

While Oregon is known as one of the healthiest states in the Union, it has hundreds of tubercular patients who should be receiving treatment outside their homes, to say nothing of the great number of soldiers who will be returning from the battle fronts suffering from the "white plague." Mrs. Dunbar's visit will, no doubt, spur the seal sellers on to greater effort.

Otto Parsons Married

This morning's Oregonian contained a surprise for many Forest Grove people in the announcement that Otto Parsons had taken out a license to wed Elsie Ahlbeck. The groom is a well-known farmer, living on upper Gales Creek, and has been a widower for about ten years. He is a good citizen and deserves a wife. The bride has been living at the Imperial Hotel, Portland, and is not known to many Forest Grove people.

Invitations are out for the marriage of Miss Helois Phillips of this city and Mr. Lester N. Bennett, the marriage to take place at Rockaway at high noon Christmas day.

CONDENSED NEWS NOTES

Miss Pearl Hall is quite ill with stomach trouble.

Father Buck of Salem visited friends in this city yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Shearer visited friends in Portland today.

Mrs. A. A. Hall returned yesterday from an extended visit at Tacoma.

A son was born Monday to Mr. and Mrs. George Spiering of the Greenville district.

Fresh fish for Tuesdays (meatless day) and Fridays. The Pacific Market; phone 0301.

Pound loaves of bread are now retailing in the local market at 9c and pound and a half loaves at 13c.

Erwin Turner, president of P. U. student body, has enlisted in the quartermaster's corps of the regular army.

Glen Potwin has joined the navy and leaves Portland tomorrow morning for San Francisco. This makes three brothers in Uncle Sam's service.

Mrs. A. B. Todd is very ill, but is showing signs of improvement, from an abscess in the ear. Her daughter, Mrs. Wanda Turner, is here from Gladstone to look after her mother.

The regents of O. A. C. have raised the salary of Dr. Kerr, president, from \$7,000 to \$8,400 to keep him from going to Kansas, where he was offered \$9,000. Dr. Kerr will remain.

Mrs. F. A. Moore was the lucky recipient of a birthday surprise party at her home last evening by the members of the Azalea Club, who brought their knitting, sewing and lunch and spent a pleasant evening with the Moores.

Following a program at their hall, the members of the P. U. Gamma Sigma society last Saturday night enjoyed a banquet at the Hotel Laughlin, there being an attendance of about twenty. The affair was in honor of the members who have enlisted, several of whom were present.

Ed. Sparks, city treasurer, has been confined to his bed for the past five days with a cold that bordered on pneumonia. Ed Sayres is looking after City Hall during the treasurer's illness. Mr. Sayres returned Friday from Pendleton, where he attended the funeral of his mother.

Mrs. Mary A. Dickson is very proud of a delicious birthday cake sent her by her daughter, Mrs. Adams of New York City, who always sends her mother a cake for her birthday. Mrs. Dickson has many friends who have tasted these cakes and they will wish her many happy returns of the day.

The Red Cross Membership Drive will be whipped into line at a banquet next Monday night, at 6:30 at the Christian church. Two speakers are coming out from Portland, Mr. Stanfield McDonald and Mr. Elmer Mandon, editor of the Republican Radiator. Get your tickets early.

W. J. R. Beach has received a letter from his grandson, Enoch I. Will, formerly of this city, who is now second in command of a squadron of 150 aero men at Kelly Field, San Antonio, Texas. Sergeant Will says he is kept busy from 5 in the morning until midnight, but likes the work fine, as it gives him a chance for further promotion. He believes he is booked to remain at Camp Kelly for some time.

CHRISTMAS DINNER

The Hotel Laughlin will serve Turkey Dinner on Christmas day, from 12:30 to 2 p. m., at 75c per plate. Persons desiring dinner should place their orders on or before Saturday, Dec. 22d. Family parties desired.

A Sunday Recital

Mrs. Wilma Waggener will give an organ recital in the Christian Science church, Sunday, Dec. 16th, at 3:30 p. m. This recital is free and the public is cordially invited to be present.

The following program will be rendered:

Sonata C Minor, Prelude.....Guilmant
Morning Mood.....Grieg
Meditation.....Sturges
Minuet.....Boccherini
Largo, from New World Symphony.....Dvorak
Serenade.....Schubert
Scherzo.....Jadassohn
From the Land of the Sky Blue Water.....Cadman-Eddy
Oh Thou Sublime Sweet Evening Star.....Wagner
The Holy Night.....Dudley Buck

Bibles for Soldiers

Under the direction of the American Bible Society, a drive started in all the protestant churches of the land last Sunday to raise a fund to purchase a bible for every soldier in Uncle Sam's service, whether at home or abroad. Oregon's share of the fund is \$10,000 and Forest Grove has been asked to raise \$75.00 of the amount.

Firemen Elect Officers

The annual election of officers of the Forest Grove fire department was held last night and resulted in the election of Chief Lenneville for the fifteenth time, a splendid tribute to his worth. Other officers are Frank Saunders, assistant chief, secretary and treasurer; W. A. Long, captain of hose company; Ed Wirtz, captain of hook and ladder company and vice president; Carl Stribich, president. The boys decided not to give their annual ball this year, but they may conclude to hold their annual New Year reception.

Insurance of Soldiers

Washington, D. C., Dec. 12, 1917.—The act which provides for Government life insurance for soldiers and sailors has now been in operation a little more than a month. The Secretary of the Treasury announced on November 17th that up to that date 64,168 applications under the new law had been received, representing insurance in the sum of \$552,093,000. From four to six thousand applications are received each day at the Treasury Department, the amount of insurance applied for sometimes reaching a total of fifty million dollars in a single day.

Help in the Fight Against Tuberculosis

Under the leadership of Mrs. C. E. Walker, Washington county secretary for the Oregon Association for the Prevention of



Tuberculosis, dozens of the good women of this county are selling Red Cross Christmas Seals to raise funds to combat the "white plague." While the seals cost but one cent each, the women of Oregon hope to sell \$10,000.00 worth, the proceeds to be used in Oregon.

Don't send away a letter or a package without affixing one or more of these seals. If the canvassers fail to find you, call at the Express office, where you can buy from 1 to 100.

Agricultural Council Meets Next Thursday

A meeting of the County Agricultural Council is called by President William Schulmerich, to be held at the Court House in Hillsboro, Thursday, Dec. 20th, at 2 p. m.

The purpose of the meeting is to make plans for the following year and to name committees for each of the agricultural problems in the county that are to receive special consideration. Committees will be named on the following projects: Potato Improvement, Dairy Feeding, Mole and Gopher Control, Canada Thistle Control, Animal Diseases, Grain Improvement, Onion Diseases, Fertilizers, and other projects that may be decided upon.

The Council will also consider the matter of attending "Farmers' Week" at Corvallis, Dec. 31st to Jan. 5th, at which time a state organization of County Agricultural Councils will be formed.

Farmers organizations that have not already selected delegates or representatives for the County Council are urged to select one before this meeting in Hillsboro.

NEAL C. JAMISON

City Business

Mayor Paterson, Recorder Dyke and Councilmen Todd, McCreedy and Hines met at the council chamber last Thursday evening to hear objections to the 1918 budget of expenses. No objectors appearing, the budget (calling for the raising of \$10,603.00 by special tax) was declared adopted.

Tuesday evening of this week the mayor, recorder and all councilmen except Hawke appeared and allowed bills amounting to about \$1,700, passed a resolution raising salaries of employes as previously announced, authorized the city treasurer to take up three 1911 street improvement bonds in the sum of \$500 each and a 1913 street improvement warrant in the same amount. A warrant was ordered drawn for \$446.38 to pay interest on 1913 bonds.

Mrs. Armentrout's claim of \$2.00 for damages done her out-house by Hallowe'en pranks was referred to the night marshal.

Street commissioner was authorized to put in walks near the Free Methodist church and just south of the S. P. depot.

Councilman Todd was instructed to bring in a draft of a new light rate ordinance.

Mayor Paterson reported having spent, so far, \$855.68 in paying expenses and wages of witnesses in the Elliott sewer lawsuit and a resolution was passed authorizing the mayor to employ legal talent is necessary to fight the case to a finish.

Report of library board showed \$65.71 on hand.

It was 11:30 when council adjourned.

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