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Canadian Fighters Tell of Battlefront

More than 100 residents of Forest Grove journeyed to Hillsboro last Friday night to hear Major Edwards, Colonel McMillan and Captain Gook tell of their experiences in the fight against Wilhelm's Huns and Vandals. Both the Liberty and Crescent theaters and the auditorium of the court house were jammed with people anxious to get first-hand information from the theater of war.

Captain Gook said when he left Canada in 1914 for France he didn't know what the war was about, but he knew now; it was to keep the most despotic and bloodthirsty tyrant on a European throne from extending his evil influence. When the first troops left Canada many men who had not enlisted got on the trains and insisted on going along. That is the way Canadians felt about German domination of the world. There were some costly mistakes on both sides in the beginning of the war, his battalion of 1050 men having lost all but 280 during the first year. The allies have learned the trickery and resources of the enemy now, however, and allied soldiers are being spared many of the dangers they encountered early in the war.

Major Edwards, who lost both arms in action, declared no man could do a greater thing for his country than to don its uniform and throw his might against Prussian despotism. He described the German and Austrian troops as being heartless and very expert in the matter of trickery and the invention of new forms of savage warfare. He advised those at home to keep the boys in Europe cheered up by cheerful letters. "Keep your troubles to yourselves," he counseled; "the boys have plenty of troubles of their own."

Colonel McMillan told how troops were taken from this country to Europe; how the utmost care was necessary to prevent the enemy learning the routes to be taken. He eulogized the good work of the Red Cross and Army Y. M. C. A. and asked the people to support these movements liberally.

He saw many of the American engineers in France and never saw a better looking lot of men, even among the Canadians.

All the speakers made it plain that there was but one outcome of the war possible—the complete overthrow of Hohenzollernism. While they did not set a date for the big victory, they intimated that before another year had passed Germany would be ready to accept almost any peace the allies were willing to offer them.

Brotherhood Debate Next Tuesday Night

With B. J. Simpson and Rev. R. L. Putnam taking the affirmative and L. M. Graham and W. J. McCready t'other side of the proposition that "Oregon Should Adopt the National Non-Partisan League Program," there is going to be a lively and intensely interesting debate at the Christian church next Tuesday evening, Jan. 29th. The debate is staged by the Forest Grove Brotherhood and is free to the public, following a dinner by the members of the Brotherhood and others who care to purchase tickets (35c). These tickets are on sale by a committee of which A. E. Scott is chairman. The dinner will be in the basement of the church at 6:30 and the debate in the Auditorium immediately after the dinner. Better plan to attend.

See Marguerite Clark in "Snow White" at the Star Monday, afternoon and evening. Benefit of Students' Loan fund.



1—Allied officers on the firing line at Lens, Maj. Prince Amerashot of Stam being the one in the light coat. 2—British howitzers in Flanders that continually hammer the German lines. 3—Camp Mills, Long Island, after being ravaged by a severe wind and snow storm.

Grand Officer Visits Stars

Mrs. Lena C. Mendenhall, worthy grand matron of the Order of Eastern Stars for Oregon, paid her annual official visit to Forest Chapter last Monday night, witnessed the initiation of two members and inspected the workings of the chapter in general. The worthy matron found much to commend and little to criticize in the conduct of the local chapter. Other visitors from Portland were Mrs. Young and Mrs. Belle Richmond, worthy matron and secretary, respectively, of Martha Washington chapter. Refreshments and fraternal visiting followed the evening's work.

Mrs. E. E. Williams, grand organist, and Mrs. Mary Abbott, worthy matron of Forest chapter, entertained Mrs. Mendenhall, (the grand matron); Mrs. Jessie Scott, associate matron; Mrs. Elizabeth Todd, conductor; Mrs. Meta Algren, associate conductor; and Miss Manche Langley, marshal, at a 5 o'clock dinner before the chapter meeting.

NOTES AND PERSONALS

That blamed sewer lawsuit is still on trial at Portland.

A daughter was born yesterday to Mr. and Mrs. Nonen McLeod of Patton Valley.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Griffin of Blooming are the parents of a new daughter, born Sunday.

A daughter was born last Thursday to Mr. and Mrs. Peter Vanoudenhagen of Verboort.

A new son arrived Friday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Julius Vuylsteke of the Roy district.

W. P. Dyke attended the semi-annual meeting of the trustees of McMinnville College yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Devlin received a letter from their son, Roy, written aboard a transport nearing England.

You will be helping a worthy cause if you go to the Star Theater next Monday, afternoon or evening. Good musical and picture program.

A daughter was born at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Kelley Saturday to Mrs. H. I. Dickson, of Eastern Oregon, sister to Mrs. Kelley.

The remains of Mrs. Belle W. Cook, aged 83, who died at Newberg, arrived at 2:30 this afternoon and was interred in the Mountain View cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Allan Rice returned last night from a two months' visit in California. Mr. and Mrs. R. McCracken, who went with them, are still in California.

Fine Program for "Red Letter Day"

The "Red Letter Day" committee of the Forest Grove Woman's club has arranged an excellent moving picture and musical program for their entertainment at the Star Theater next Monday, afternoon and evening. The entertainment is being given for the benefit of the Students' Loan fund and should be well patronized. The prices are, general admission 25c; reserved seats 35c and school children 10c. Following is the program:

Orchestral Selection - Walker's Orchestra
PICTURE PROGRAM
"Snow White" - Marguerite Clark
Uncle Sam's Hints to Housewives
Cartoon Characters
Educational Scenery
PART II—MUSIC
Orchestral Selection - Walker's Orchestra
Vocal Solo—"La Serenata"—Braga
Mrs. Wilbur McEldowney
Vocal Solo—"The Sun Is a Sinkin'"
G. Jean Bohannon
Prof. E. E. Fleischmann
Vocal Solo—"My Own U. S. A." - Mrs. H. E. Inlow
MATINEE

Violin and Piano—"Le Calise-de-Bagdad"—Boieldieu
Archie and Margaret Marsh
Pictures - Marguerite Clark
Solo - Marian Bockman
Flute Solo - Miss Aileen Hoffman

Remember, next Monday—afternoon and evening.
Tickets will be on sale tomorrow at Baldwin's confectionery; doors open at 3 and 7:30 p. m., with two shows in the evening.

These People Need Help

The Armenian and Syrian Relief drive is on for the last of the week and the first of next.

The town has been districted and the young ladies have been assigned their territories.

They will ring your door-bell Saturday or Sunday, and ask you to make a monthly pledge for the year 1918 or a lump sum to be paid at your convenience.

The young ladies are authorized by the Central committee to receive cash and credit the amount on the cards you sign.

These cards when signed by you will be turned in to O. L. Hutchens at Russell's Shoe Store, where you can make further payments.

He will turn the money over to our treasurer, M. R. Johnson, at the First National Bank, who will audit his accounts.

Please bear in mind the people are starving and need help at once.

Installed Officers and Feasted

The members of Rosewood Camp No. 3835, Royal Neighbors of America, saw their newly-elected officers installed last Friday night, Mrs. Carrie Graham, past oracle, assisted by Mrs. Alice Marshall, ceremonial marshal, inducting the various officers into their new positions. The officers are Mrs. Dora Emerson, Oracle; Mrs. Mary F. Lepchat, Vice Oracle; Mrs. Winifred Aldrich, Recorder; Mrs. Carrie Graham, Receiver; Mrs. Alice Marshall, Marshal; Mrs. Rosetta Benfer, Chancellor; Mrs. Nellie Myers, Inner Sentinel; Mrs. Rosa Sears, Outer Sentinel; Mrs. Minnie Roswurm, Manager.

After the installation, the Neighbors enjoyed a nice chicken dinner, with hot biscuits, salads, coffee, tea and other good things on the menu.

Neighbors of Woodcraft Install

Neighbors of Woodcraft No. 185 yesterday afternoon installed their newly-elected officers as follows: Mrs. Pearl Ramsey, Past Guardian Neighbor; Mrs. Anna Nicholson, Guardian Neighbor; Mrs. Nancy Giltner, Adviser; Mrs. Belle Roe, Magician; Mrs. Lilly Morley, Banker; Mrs. Sophia Smith, Clerk; Mrs. Lilly Buxton, Attendant; Mrs. Nettie Bellinger, Captain of Guard; Mrs. Emily Anderson, Inner Sentinel; Mrs. Lizzie Wirtz, Outer Sentinel; Mesdames Catherine Wirtz, Nettie Hoffman and Emma Schultz, Managers; Miss Jessie Buxton, Musician; Mrs. Lilly Buxton, Press Correspondent. Mrs. Belle Roe was the installing officer.

J. D. Stewart, aged 82, died on Tuesday near Hillsboro and funeral services were held in Forest View cemetery at 1:30 this afternoon, Rev. Putnam officiating. Deceased was a native of Tennessee and came to Oregon with an ox train in 1864 and has lived in the Willamette valley ever since. He leaves two sons, J. N. of Gales Creek and C. W. of Scoggin's valley, and a daughter, Mrs. Louis Thompson of Lyle, Wash.

Byron LaMont was 51 years "young" yesterday and last night a number of his friends and neighbors came to the LaMont home to help Byron celebrate the event. Mr. and Mrs. LaMont warmly welcomed their self-invited guests and the evening was pleasantly spent at cards, music and refreshments.

Cook With Coal

The Forest Grove Planing Mill has laid in a supply of good fuel coal and is prepared to supply consumers at a reasonable price. Order by telephone No. 0232.

Food Administration Finds Selfishness

Portland, Jan. 22.—The greatest stumbling-block now in the way of the Food Administration is the selfishness and unpatriotic indifference of the average Oregon family, according to Federal Food Administrator W. B. Ayer, who says that wholesale and retail dealers throughout the state are co-operating splendidly, but that the public in general, through individual greed and selfishness, is proving a serious obstacle in the successful carrying out of the Administration's plans.

"Many families are splendidly patriotic," said Mr. Ayer, "and are loyally observing the conservation requirements in every detail, but many others are either selfishly or thoughtlessly ignoring the regulations, and in addition are making life miserable for the grocers, who must restrict the sales of flour and sugar. Ill-natured complaints and threats of discontinued patronage are made by angry housewives, these complaints and threats in (Continued on Page Four)

Y. W. C. A. Drive Is Started Here

Miss Mary Pickarts of Seattle, representing the Young Women's Christian Associations of the Northwest, was in the city Monday to organize the ladies of this city for the drive for funds for patriotic war service by the Y. W. C. A., which has set out to raise a fund of \$4,000,000 to erect and maintain Hostess Houses in the cantonments of this country, places where soldiers may meet their mothers and female relatives and find a touch of home; for emergency housing of girls and women engaged in war work; for work among the war-worn munition workers of Europe and the heroic nurses in the base hospitals.

The work has the endorsement of Brigadier General James A. Irons and Major General Green, at Camp Lewis; and Colonel Wolf, at Plattsburg, as well as many prominent civilians. Such women as Mrs. John R. Mott, Mrs. Henry P. Davidson, Mrs. Robert E. Speer, Mrs. William McMaster, Mrs. Chester Thorne, Mrs. C. D. Stimson, Mrs. E. B. Burwell and Mrs. Helen Ladd Corbett are behind the drive, which is being looked after in this city by a committee headed by Mrs. J. E. Pogue. This committee will go before the various women's organizations, lodges, etc., and ask for contributions and what is not raised in that manner of the \$400 asked of Forest Grove will be raised by a canvass of the city. Washington county is asked to raise \$900.

Church Boards to Confer

The official boards of the Congregational, Christian and Methodist churches will meet at the M. E. church at 2:30 next Sunday afternoon to talk over the proposed church federation scheme.

At 7:45 this coming Saturday evening, the members of the high school basketball team are going to try to take the scalps of their long-time rivals, from Newberg. The game takes place at P. U. gym and the admission is only 25c. Go get your money's worth.