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SMILEAGE BOOKS FOR SOLDIERS

Everyone in Forest Grove who has a friend or relative in the army should purchase one or more Smileage books during the campaign which is now on. Forest Grove's quota is 150 books and these must be sold within the next few days. Your dollar spent for a Smileage book will bring a hundred dollars worth of comfort to the boy in the service. Patriotic League will handle campaign here.

Questions and Answers

Q. What is a Smileage Book?

A. A Smileage Book is a book containing coupons entitling the holder to admission and seat tickets at Liberty Theaters, Liberty Tents, and auditoriums under the management of the Commission on Training Camp Activities in National Army cantonments and National Guard camps.

Q. By whom are they issued?

A. By the Military Entertainment Council of the Commission on Training Camp Activities, Washington, D. C.

Q. What do Smileage Books cost?

A. Smileage Books are of two kinds: The first costs \$1; the second \$5.

Q. How many tickets does each book contain?

A. The \$1 Smileage Book contains 20 coupons; the \$5 book contains 100 coupons.

Q. Are the books to be inscribed by name to soldiers?

A. There is a space for an inscription to soldiers by name, but this is not necessary.

Q. Are they transferable?

A. Yes, to soldiers in uniform.

Q. How many theaters have been built?

A. One permanent theater, seating 3,000, has been built in each National Army cantonment. Two chautauqua tents, seating 1,800 each, have been erected in each National Guard camp.

Q. Are Smileage Books available for use by civilians?

A. Civilians are allowed in these entertainments only when accompanied by a soldier friend with Smileage coupons.

Q. How much money does the Military Encampment Council hope to raise from the sale of Smileage Books?

A. The goal for the drive has been set at 1,000,000 Smileage Books, but if a million dollars' worth of smiles are good for our soldier boys, why won't two million dollars' worth be better?

Q. How can I get these Smileage Books to the soldiers?

A. Send them by mail. Let the next letter you send to any camp contain a \$5 or \$1 book; think of the laughter in those coupons. And, of course, if you have a boy, son, brother, sweetheart or

husband of your own in camp, you will see that he gets one.

Q. Under what authority is the Smileage campaign conducted?

A. The authority for this campaign is that of the United States Government.

Q. Who supervises the handling of the finances?

A. The accounts are audited by men from the War Department.

Q. Where can I buy a Smileage book?

A. Thru the Red Cross ladies or from B. J. Simpson, W. J. McCready or W. C. Benfer.

Rebekahs Entertain

Three score or more Rebekahs and as many invited guests enjoyed an evening of music, drama and fun at the I. O. O. F. hall last night, followed by a nice Hoover lunch.

The program consisted of a vocal duet by Mesdames Benfer and Sherrett; a tableau of George and Martha Washington (Ivan Curtis and Mrs. Sylvia Bernard); a vocal solo by Miss Margaret Curtis and a playlet, "A Patriot Girl," with Mesdames Templeton, Wehrley, Parsons, Buxton and Hatfield and Messrs. Carl Curtis and H. R. Bernard taking the parts. Then came a flag drill, with song, by eight ladies in white, followed by a tableau of the same eight ladies. Accompanied by Russell Beals, Newton Shipley favored the audience with two numbers on the violin and after this came a beautiful tableau of George Washington and thirteen ladies, the later representing the colonies. With another tableau, "The Goddess of Liberty," and a vocal solo by Dr. Nixon, this excellent program came to a close.

Assisted by ladies of the lodge, Mrs. Humphrey, representing the Golden Rod Milling company of Portland then served a dandy lunch, the breads and pastries being made according to the Hoover specifications, using largely flours other than wheat. The lady certainly knows how to bake good breads and cakes.

A silver offering was taken for the benefit of the Y. W. C. A. Hostess House fund.

Miss Jeanette Little and Mrs. Winnifred Aldrich are largely responsible for the excellence of the program, as they planned it and trained the performers.

Learn to Laugh

Rehearsals are being held nightly for the Red Cross play "All a Mistake." It is going to be one of the funniest farces ever put on in Forest Grove.

If you want to have one big long laugh, come to the Star Theater, Monday night, Mar. 4.

See Miss Lena Duyck and Herbert Deuell in their matrimonial mixup and watch Miss Iva Conger try to fix things up and incidentally get into a worse mixup with her fiance, played by Bert Doane.

See R. E. Burns, as the old captain, who really causes all the trouble. Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Jones as a funny dude and comic old maid, who also do a specialty, introducing the New York character song success "When He Is All Dolled Up." Then there is Miss Evelyn Patton as the Irish servant girl, who thinks they are all crazy.

Ray Jackson will give a solo and Herbert Deuell a reading.

Altogether, it will be some big fun night and all for the Soldier Boys' fund.

A. B. Todd returned Friday from Newport and reports unpleasant weather up to the time he left. Mrs. Todd and the children are still at Newport, but will return Saturday.

The February meeting of the Brotherhood has been postponed from Feb. 26th to March 5th, when a meeting for the Boy Scouts will be held at the High School.

Red Cross Activities

Large quantities of supplies have been recently received from Cornelius and also from the Curtis Avenue club. Through the splendid co-operation of the various bodies of women working independently and the work done at the Sewing Unit Thursday afternoons, a large shipment of completed supplies was recently made by the Forest Grove Branch consisting of:

- 37 doz. hdks
- 32 ambulance pillows
- 6 doz. hospital shirts
- 92 pillow cases
- 5 prs. bed sox
- 48 nightgales
- 19 prs. hospital sox
- 44 suits pajamas
- 3 split pillows
- 2 doz. tray cloths
- 5 doz. napkins
- 3 doz. hdkf substitutes
- 18 wash rags
- 5 ambulance pillows
- 3 arm slings
- 12 surgical pads
- 3 rolls muslin

KNITTED ARTICLES

- 29 sweaters
- 8 helmets
- 19 prs. sox
- 20 prs. thumbless mits
- 2 scarfs
- 155 eye bandages
- 48 bath mits
- 162 cup covers
- 4 wash cloths

Mrs. W. K. Curtis very kindly donated a fine feather bed which is to be used in making hospital pillows. The local branch hereby expresses its grateful appreciation to Mrs. Curtis. Also for the kind donation of feathers by Mesdames Whitehouse, Durham and Shogren. Mesdames Thomas, Hute Johnson and Durham have brought in clippings, which are used with the feathers.

We wish to make acknowledgment of the receipt of a pair of scissors, donated by Mrs. Buchanan.

Also to express our thanks to Mrs. Nicholson for the gift of an ambulance pillow and two cases for same, to Mrs. Hamer for two ambulance pillows and four cases, and to Mrs. Frank Vandehy for two ambulance pillows and four cases.

The three quilts which were sold by guessing the number of beans in a jar, brought returns as follows: The one at Smith's furniture store \$9.35, won by Mrs. Hamer; the one at Caples' Store \$12.25, won by Ruth Burlingham, and the one at Anderson's \$15.50, won by Mrs. Hurley. These have been redonated by the winners to the Red Cross and their disposition is again being considered by the committee in charge.

The Congregationalists last Sunday voted 45 to 17 in favor of federation, the Christians put in so much time discussing the question that they didn't have time to vote, but will probably do so next Sunday. The Methodists have not voted on the question and, since a pastor has been assigned them, they are very likely out of the scheme.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Lyons Tuesday evening entertained Mr. and Mrs. Byron LaMont, Mr. and Mrs. F. Crabtree, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Sappington, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ramsey, Dr. and Mrs. Phoebe Ward, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Freer and Mrs. Barto at five hundred, followed by a nice lunch.

Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Carlyle received a letter the first of the week from Arnold, Neb., stating that Arthur Mills, who was injured ten days ago by being hit by the crank of a gasoline engine, was resting easily and, apparently, improving.

The party who lost a lady's watch between 3d avenue, south, and the S. P. depot can recover same by calling at the Book Store.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bowersox of Monmouth spent last week-end with the J. S. Buxton family.

Dr. Walker Painfully Injured

Last Friday evening, while Dr. C. E. Walker and Paul Schultz were driving south on Main street, in the doctor's car, they collided with a south-bound Southern Pacific car and Dr. Walker was badly jammed over the steering wheel, bruising his left chest severely and tearing some of the ligaments of his right side. He was very ill up to Monday noon, but is now so far improved that he is chafing to get back to work. Mr. Schultz was not in the least injured.

The S. P. freight depot hid the red car from the occupants of the auto and they were almost on the crossing when they saw their danger, so the doctor steered to the right and was going with the S. P. car when he struck it. His auto was dragged about 50 feet, but did not get under the wheels of the electric car.

Walter Taylor, who was injured when an auto in which he was riding in Portland Feb. 13th went down an embankment, is recovering nicely from his hurts at the home of his parents in this city. He suffered a sprained back, a bruise on the hip and painful cuts on his left hand.

Methodist Church Services

The regular services of the church will be held next Sunday beginning with the Sunday school at 9:45. Preaching service at 11 and 7:30 o'clock; class meeting and the Young Peoples' societies at the usual time. Prayer meeting on Thursday evening.

The Home Missionary society will meet next Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. C. A. Littler. Leader: Mrs. W. K. Curtis.

The regular monthly meeting of the Sunday School board will be held next Wednesday evening.

The meeting of the quarterly conference has been postponed until after the new pastor is on the ground.

Rev. John Ebert of Sisseton, South Dakota, has been appointed pastor of this church for the rest of the conference year and expects to be here to fill the pulpit the first Sunday in March. Rev. Ebert comes highly recommended. He has been in the pastorate seven years and is a graduate of Morningside college of Sioux City, Iowa, and Garrett Biblical Institute of Chicago. He has a wife and three small children.

Christian Church

Services next Lord's Day: Bible school 9:45 a. m.; Communion and sermon 11 a. m., subject, "Over the Top for Christ." Endeavor, Junior, Intermediate and Young People 6:30 p. m. Song service and sermon at 7:30 p. m.; subject, "The Chief of Sinners and How He Found Christ."

Don't forget the School of Methods at Portland Feb. 25 to March 1. An opportunity, if you can possibly go, to study Bible School activities under specialists in the work. If you want to be more efficient in your department, be sure and go. Everybody welcome.

R. L. PUTNAM, Minister.

Old King Booze Making Last Stand

Louis Albert Banks Monday night told a crowd which almost filled the M. E. church that old king Alcohol was on his last legs and that one more good fight was all that was needed to put him under the ground. Ten years ago there were three dry states, three years ago there were nine and today there are 27. If 36 state legislatures can be lined up for prohibition this fall the entire nation will be dry—forever. He declared that he had just returned from South Carolina and passed through many towns where the schools were closed for lack of coal, but rich black coal smoke was rolling from all the breweries and distillery smoke-stacks. While the food administration was (very properly) asking the public to eat oats, cornmeal, etc., to conserve bread cereals, the breweries were today consuming 200,000 bushels of barley per day in the manufacture of beer, and the brewers had enough barley on hand to last six months.

He declared that when the National Guard was mustered in for duty on the Mexican border, 60 per cent of the members were physically unfit and that 75 per cent of the unfit were so because of alcohol. Also that the liquor interests were spending thousands of dollars trying to get booze admitted to the camps and cantonments where American soldiers were being trained. Booze, he thinks, is more dangerous than the Kaiser's armies.

He secured a number of monthly five-year pledges for the fight against the saloons. The M. E. Sunday School won the flag given for the most votes cast by those in the audience.

IN MEMORIAM

Whereas, It has pleased our heavenly Father to remove from our midst our sister, Grace Newton Parsons, we, the officers and members of Forest Rebekah lodge, extend to the bereaved family our sincere and lasting sympathy in this, their hour of great sorrow.

" 'Tis not the whole of life to live,
Nor all of death to die.
Beyond this vale of tears
There is a life above,
Unmeasured by the flight of years,
And all that life is love."

ANNA M. TEMPLETON,
SYLVIA BERNARD,
EDNA ROSS,
Committee.

Joe Lilly of Gales Creek is ill with pneumonia.

KAISER BILL REPLIES TO HIS : : DEAR FRIEND SATAN : :

On Aug. 16th the Express published a letter from his Satanic Majesty, Lucifer H. Satan, to Kaiser Bill, and the following is the latter's reply to Satan's offer to abdicate in the kaiser's favor. Both articles were written by Louis Syberkop, of Creston, Iowa:

Pottsdam, Jan. 8, 1918.
To Herr von Lucifer H. Satan,
Infernal Regions.

My Very Dear Satan: Your letter of June 28, 1917, is before us, wherein you so graciously abdicate your throne in our favor, which we have accepted with full knowledge of its importance, and will assure you beyond doubt that the infernal regions will lose nothing in frightfulness by the change of administration. We fully appreciate your good sense and diplomacy in abdicating before the crash, for the day has arrived when German power and influence will encircle the earth; for only by German efficiency can the universe progress; for such is the German idea that all things must

succumb to its force. Your letter of abdication will go down in history as a state paper of more than ordinary force, for which you have our imperial appreciation. You showed very good judgment when you said "the pupil has become the master." As we are the pupil, we thank you for reminding us of the truthful old proverb: "If the pupil does not become greater than the master, the world must come to a standstill." In consideration of your faithful services in the past I appoint you for the present chancellor of our kingdom of hell, and you will take your orders from us direct.

Attention!!! You will at once establish a secret wireless communication between hades and the celestial regions. I have reason to believe that English influence is being brought to bear in that locality. Inasmuch as it is to his own interest, Gott is still miffed uns. But there is a lack of efficiency and thoroughness contrary to the German idea; quick and certain counter action must take place at once.

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L.J. SIMPSON.

Prominent Coos county farmer, stock breeder, banker and Red Cross and War Stamp booster, who has decided to run for the Republican nomination for Governor of Oregon.