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--- This paper has enlisted with the government in the cause of America for the period of the war ---

We are to have the Ellison-White chautauqua with us July 19 to 24, inclusive.

The members of James B. Matthews post, G. A. R., of this city are rather proud of the fact that their little post contributed more toward a fund raised to decorate graves in the southland than many posts twice the size of Matthews post.

Because President Wilson requests it, Henry Ford has consented to run for United States senator from Michigan. Henry is a republican and will run on that party's ticket, but he has been endorsed by the leading democrats of his state.

We of Forest Grove like to boast about the beauties of our town but the writer fears visitors may not appreciate the luxuriant growth of hay and weeds along our sidewalks. Less than a block from the postoffice there are weeds so high that a yearling calf could hide in them. Get busy!

In the presence of a large number of Oregon, Washington and Idaho veterinarians, Dr. W. H. Lyle, state veterinarian, last Friday performed a slight operation in the nostrils of a mule, with the result that the critter has lost its power to bray. This might be a good way to silence a lot of windy politicians.

Because of the serious shortage of sugar, the Food Administration is asking all patriotic Americans to refrain from drinking sweetened lemonade or eating candy, even on the Fourth of July. Permits for sugar to be used at celebrations have already been turned down by the administration. Let us not be unpatriotic on America's chief patriotic day.

Miss Fern Hobbs, a former Washington county girl, who during Oswald West's administration as governor, as his private secretary, attracted national attention by a war she led on the blind pigs of Baker county, has enlisted in the Red Cross for foreign service and has gone to New York to embark for France. If Miss Hobbs ever gets a chance at the Kaiser Brute, he'll know why she put the bootleggers of Oregon out of business.

Senator Walter Pierce's plan for the state to provide land for the returning soldier boys under long term payment has the flavor of constructive statesmanship. It is worth while to give the scheme serious thought. It is certainly worth while in one particular—it would populate the state with

new and productive homes and by citizens who know the possibility and appreciate the beauties of our great commonwealth.—McMinnville Register.

PAYING THE PRICE

An Associated Press dispatch, dated London, May 17, says: The German commission appointed to examine the decline in the birth rate in Germany has reported a recommendation for the compulsory marriage of Germans before their twentieth year is passed, according to a dispatch to the Daily Express from Amsterdam.

Financial assistance would be granted by the state, according to this plan, which provides penalties for those failing to comply. Provision also is made for the punishment of married couples who remain childless.

A report compiled by the local government board, based on information from German sources, shows a fall in the birth rate in Germany during the three years 1915-17, inclusive, equivalent to the loss of 2,000,000 infants. Forty per cent fewer births occurred in 1916 than in 1913. These figures are compared with a decrease of 10 per cent in the birth rate in England and Wales.

The infantile death rate in Germany has been kept well down, but nevertheless, the report shows, is 50 per cent higher than in England and Wales.

WHY THEY DID NOT FEDERATE

William Allen White, editor of the Emporia Kas., Gazette, who recently lectured on the war in several Oregon towns, has the following to say concerning an attempt to federate the churches of Emporia:

"It was a beautiful idea, that of every kindred, every tribe sitting at a common communion table glorifying in common prayer the common human cause for which our men are fighting. But, the Catholics couldn't attend it because it would not be held in a sacred edifice.

"The Christian church could not countenance it, because they could find nothing in the Book justifying serving communion on Thursday.

"The Baptists could not take communion with the unimmersed.

"The Friends do not believe in the material manifestation of the communion.

The United Presbyterians might object because the communion would sing gospel hymns and not psalms.

"The Episcopalians could not join because they had a late bulletin upon the Apostolic succession, and could not receive communion outside of the regular succession.

"And so the matter was dropped.

"Discord is the fuel of hell. Where in hell are we in this modern world anyway?"

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MICKIE SAYS

DID YA EVER NOTICE IT? THE FELLER WHO GOES AROUND SAYIN' HE "DON'T BELIEVE IN ADVERTISIN'" IS ALWAYS MAKIN' SOME OTHER STONE AGE CRACK, SUCH AS "AUTOS AINT COME TO STAY THEY'RE JEST A PASSIN' FAD."



Enlisted Workers Given Reception

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at the train by their hosts, in autos, and taken to the various homes to which they had been allotted. At 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon a nice program was given on the College Campus, after which they were given all the strawberries, cream and cake they could eat.

The program opened with the singing of "America" by the audience, led by Thos. E. Isaacs and Mrs. F. W. Jones.

President Hoffman of the Commercial club then delivered a very cordial address of welcome, offering the guests the freedom of the city and expressing regret that twice as many did not come.

Rev. Putnam responded for the visitors and stated that he told the boys if they would come they would be well treated and he knew by the amount of attention given them that they were having a good time.

A vocal solo, "God Guard Columbia," by Mr. Isaacs came next and Judge Hollis followed with a fervently patriotic address, in which he predicted a complete victory over the Prussian Huns and stated that the workers in the woods, factories and fields were doing their "bit" just as much as the soldier in the trenches. He asked the citizens to be friendly and neighborly to the men in uniform wherever they met them, as they were deserving of recognition.

M. J. Fenenga also gave a short talk, during which he told a little of the work the "Y" is doing among the fighters and workers. He said the Huns had already lost their self-respect, the respect of their neighbors and they would surely lose the unholy war they were waging against civilization.

Rev. Patten followed with a magnificent patriotic address, such a talk as only the father of soldiers can make. He styled the titanic struggle in Europe a fight between democracy and autocracy and said that right always won, ultimately, no matter how much the victory was delayed. He could read in the alert faces of the city's guests a determination to do their best to dethrone barbarism and enthrone democracy and civilization.

With the singing of the "Star-Spangled Banner," the program was brought to a close and the Honor Guard Girls served the berries and cakes, after Mr. Hoffman had thanked the speakers and singers and the ladies who furnished the cakes.

Those in the party were E. L. Cole, W. H. Zimmers, Harold Fowler, J. S. Sibley, J. G. Weideman, F. Wilson, Skow, Bennett, Hirsch, Otto Jacobsen, James Gibson, D. B. and R. A. Mullen, Albert Scholton, Elmer Cartright, W. C. Steckow, Isaac Hinderlater, Joe Telesmanich, Cyrus Gifford, Ralph Ellener, R. W. Pennington and N. Empey.

The boys were entertained in homes of C. N. Johnson, J. W. Hughes, J. A. Forbis, Chas. Hines, E. F. Burlingham, W. H. Danser, C. O. Roe, W. W. Goff, A. G. Hoffman, Rev. Patten, Rev. Ebert, J. W. Macrum, Chas. Litter and R. W. Reder.

The boys were recruited for spruce work from all over the United States and embrace almost a dozen nationalities, but they were a gentlemanly set and seemed to enjoy their outing. In fact, several told the writer that they were tired of town and camp life and liked to spend their Sundays in either small towns or the country.

Rev. Putnam is of the opinion that if the people desire it, he can bring a much larger crowd at some future date.

France Behind the Times

Writing to members of his family in this city, Chas. G. Staley of the 18th Railway Engineers, stationed somewhere in France, says he and the other Forest Grove boys are well, but very busy. He says so many Americans are coming to France that Kaiser Bill sure will have one hot old time when the fighting gets started in earnest (The boy evidently doesn't consider the Americans have started yet.) He says France is blessed with more kinds of weather in one day than any place he ever saw. In speaking of the customs of France, he says the people have no horses left for farming, so they use burros, oxen or mule cows. As a consequence, there is much idle land, for the people cannot do much with their decrepit live stock and primitive tools. He cannot understand why a country as old as France is so backward in farming. Wheat is sowed on ridges, so that it must be cut with sickles, as a mower could not get over the ground. But the Americans are waking the people up and he says it is getting very common to see an American locomotive pulling American cars on an American-made railroad and the French people marvel at the speed with which the Yankees do things.

The women of the villages do their washing in a community wash-house, using cold water and rubbing the clothes with brushes. He thinks they would faint if they ever saw an improved electric washer and wringer.

Charley frequently speaks in his letters of the K. of P boys in this city.

PROCLAMATION

Make this war a personal matter. Do not depend on others to do the fighting or to finance the government. Do your share. It is as much your war as your neighbors.

Buy no unnecessary article. Practice economy and self-denial. Unnecessary buying means a waste of material and labor; means that you are competing with the government for labor and material.

Invest your savings in War Savings Stamps.

The President of the United States has called on the people of the nation to indicate their self-denial by pledging themselves on June 28th to purchase War Savings Stamps for the remainder of the year.

In order that the citizens of this

city may not fall behind other communities in responding to the call, I hereby proclaim Friday, June 28th, as War Savings Day for the city of Forest Grove, upon which day all persons shall give their pledges for the War Savings Stamps at such time and places and in such manner as may be appointed by C. S. Jackson, the War Savings Director for Oregon, acting under authority of the Secretary of the Treasury, and pursuant to the Proclamation of the President of the United States.

GEO. G. PATERSON,
Mayor of Forest Grove, Ore.

Des Moines for 1919

The prosperous, progressive little city of Des Moines, Iowa, has already begun a strong movement to secure the National G. A. R. Encampment for 1919. Des Moines is a rapidly growing city of 100,000 population and the center of as rich an agricultural district as the sun shines upon.

There has never been a National Encampment in the Department of Iowa, and it is only fair that after Boston and Portland the next National Encampment should be in the middle west.

Mr. and Mrs. John Corum and two daughters of Eugene, who thirty years ago owned the farm now owned by Rev. Daniel Staver, visited at the J. T. Fletcher home in this city and the Sargent and Loving homes at Gales Creek last Friday and Saturday.

H. F. Wilson and son, Horace, of this city, E. E. Ratelle of Portland and C. P. Walker of Yamhill spent Friday and Saturday fishing on the head waters of the Nestucca, catching more than 100 fine trout and having some interesting experiences.

C. L. VanKoughnet Saturday received from the Robinson hatchery, at Carlton, 100 4-months-old Leghorn pullets, paying \$1.25 per head for them, and he says they are worth the money, as they come from fine stock.

It is cheaper to buy a good mattress every twenty years than to buy a bag full of lumps every year or two. The Sealey is a twenty year mattress and we would like to explain its good qualities to you. Claude E. Smith.

Rev. R. L. Brymer, pastor of the Yamhill M. E. church, accompanied by his family, visited at the J. L. VanKirk home Monday, having come to attend the high school commencement. Mrs. Brymer is Mrs. VanKirk's sister.

Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Gordon, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Smith and little daughter, Dr. and Mrs. W. M. Pollock and two children and Miss Jessie Buxton enjoyed a picnic at Roderick Falls last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Thornburgh and son, Glenn, and Mayor and Mrs. G. G. Paterson autoed to Camp Lewis last Sunday.

Teachers' Examination Notice

Notice is hereby given that the regular examination of applicants for teachers' state certificates will be held at the high school building in Hillsboro June 26, 27, 28, 29.

N. A. FROST,
County School Supt.

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