

## PATRIOTIC LEAGUE AND HOME GUARD ORGANIZED

### PATRIOTISM IS SHOWN IN ENLISTMENTS

- Honor Roll.**
- Young men who have enlisted from eastern Multnomah.
  - RAY HUMASON
  - DEWEY GIBBS
  - G. REYNOLDS
  - C. HENDRICKS
  - A. CAMP
  - LESLIE ST. CLAIR
  - TOM PARKER
  - GEORGE CRANE
  - FRED CRANE
  - W. TULE
  - JOE ROSS
  - WILBUR STANLEY
  - CARROL HESLIN
  - GUY JONES
  - C. STILLIONS
  - W. EASTMAN
  - ALTON LOVELACE
  - ERNEST BRUGGER

At the patriotic meeting Saturday night plans were undertaken for holding a patriotic rally in Gresham. The objects of such a meeting were stated to be manifold, such as honoring our brave boys from this locality who have enlisted in the various divisions of the military service. There are about 29 of them at present from Gresham, Fairview and vicinity. Also promote the Red Cross movement and concentrate the patriotic sentiment along definite lines. It was suggested as desirable to have martial music, flag drills by the school children, patriotic songs, a rousing patriotic speech by a good Portland speaker, etc. The enlisted boys have been notified and invited to be present.

The committee consisting of Mrs. Pomeroy, Mrs. Clananah, Mrs. St. Clair, and G. W. Stapleton has the program in charge and details are being arranged. The speaker will be announced later.

One feature will be a fife and drum corps Captain Branson, a civil war veteran, will beat the drum, using drumsticks given him by Uncle Sam on April 15, 1861, and used during the civil war. And Captain Branson knows how to use them.

Difficulty was experienced in selecting a night and securing a suitable hall. Dr. Parker, of the Hizz medical company, who has Regner's hall leased for nightly lectures and demonstrations when interviewed regarding the use of the opera house expressed his interest in the movement as a patriotic citizen and offered the use of Regner's hall for Monday night, April 23, and it is donated free of charge. This is the date and place decided on by the committee.

An effort has been made to secure all the names of enlisted young men from this locality. If any have been omitted kindly inform the Outlook office. It is expected many of them will gain permission from their officers to be present next Monday night.

This meeting is entirely free and means a capacity house.

### A VISITOR FROM FRENCH TRENCHES

From "somewhere in France" came Armand Patreau to far away Oregon for a brief visit to his parents at Hood River and to former friends near Gresham. Ten years ago he was a farm hand, working for John Bliss, today he is a soldier of France on a brief furlough of twenty-one days from the trenches, granted him for valorous conduct and because of two wounds received while in action.

He visited the family of John Bliss on Friday and was their guest at a reception given in his honor. The house was packed and he vividly depicted the battle scenes at Verdun and in other places on the French frontier. Dressed in his uniform and wearing his helmet he personified the terrible engagements that have marked the greatest war of any age. His helmet weighs three pounds and was an object of reverent curiosity to those who were permitted to examine it.

In the helmet are two dents. "This was shrapnel," he explained. "And that was a bullet." These brief explanations told the story of how near he came to giving his life for his country. But the two wounds that

### CROP EXPERTS URGE ALL TO ACT QUICKLY

The following committee was appointed at the meeting in Portland Friday night held in the interests of greater crop production made up of representatives of granges and other organizations: S. B. Hall, R. W. Gill and J. J. Johnson.

The committee has submitted the following report: Report of the Agricultural committee from the granges of Multnomah county appointed to promote better and greater means of crop production.

Your committee realizes to the fullest extent the very serious handicaps that confront the full production of food crops.

With a season like this when farmers are far behind their spring work, taken together with the fact that potatoes for seed purpose are very high and scarce and then add to this a great scarcity in farm labor, we have a situation that is indeed very grave and one that demands instant assistance from every department of the city, county, state or nation so constituted to render aid.

The imperative need is for action at once before the situation is beyond human assistance and to be effective must come from those departments and organizations already equipped and authorized to act at once.

Technicalities of law and conventions should be brushed aside and immediate aid be brought forth at once before it is too late.

The farmers themselves must devote all their time and energy to their immediate task of production and so must depend upon others to see that steps be taken for their assistance.

The press has responded nobly to the call for publicity upon these matters, but their task is only begun and the support that they can put behind public officials and organizations will do much to relieve the situation.

We hope all business clubs and other organizations will unite and cooperate for immediate action, otherwise the opportunity will pass in which effective assistance can be given.

We, as a committee directly representing the farmers, feel that it is both our privilege and duty to bring to the attention of all people, the producers great needs and in view of this earnestly urge prompt consideration of the following recommendations to which we have given careful thought.

We recommend a bureau to purchase and reserve potatoes and beans for seed purposes before seed advances further. To be distributed at cost.

Recommend organization for high school boys to respond to the call for farm help; to be so organized that they can be placed at once where needed.

More effective organization for distribution of adult labor when needed on farms.

Recommend strong agitation on the need of city people growing gardens of their own and urge all to can or dry all kinds of vegetables and fruits for their winter supply.

Recommend continuation by the press of a campaign for greater production by both city and county districts and along with these, authentic cultural directions by practical and experienced agriculturists.

Recommend prompt action by all constituted authorities for immediate assistance.

### "PATRIOTISM," THE KEYNOTE AND INSPIRATION OF WORK

A goodly number of patriotic men and women met Saturday night at the library in response to the call issued in Friday's Outlook for a meeting of citizens to consider ways of helping along in this locality the various phases of conservation work undertaken by Oregon patriotic societies.

Mayor Stapleton reported on matters which he had personally investigated and suggested the need of activity and co-operation in increasing crop production, contributing usable but unused clothing to the Patriotic Conservation league of Portland, the formation of a company of Home Guards, and participation in the patriotic parade in Portland Thursday afternoon.

Talks were made by County Agent S. B. Hall and others and plans were suggested for holding in Gresham a monster patriotic meeting in honor of the boys who have enlisted from this locality.

The meeting then proceeded to make definite plans by electing Geo. F. Honey as chairman and H. L. St. Clair as secretary. The name of Gresham Patriotic League was adopted, to be a branch of the Oregon Patriotic League.

The office of the Oregon league is in the Benson Hotel and the following are the officers: Mrs. R. D. Inman, chairman; Mrs. E. A. Bell, vice chairman; O. W. Taylor, secretary; A. L. Mills, treasurer.

The local officers were authorized to provide a suitable constitution.

On motion of Stapleton a committee was ordered to look after the enrollment of all vacant lots and acreage in the county, east of Portland and as far as the Sandy river. A preliminary committee was appointed by the chairman consisting of D. E. Towle as chairman, O. W. Tarr, John Sieret, O. J. Brown, G. N. Sager and H. L. St. Clair, and authority was given to enlarge the committee as needed.

There was a unanimous sentiment in favor of a strong representation in the patriotic parade in Portland this week Thursday afternoon and a committee was ordered to look after this. Undoubtedly believing that the ladies can accomplish whatever they undertake in these patriotic days, the chairman appointed the following committee of ladies: Mrs. K. A. Miller, Mrs. B. W. Emery, Mrs. J. N. Clananah, Mrs. Max Schneider, Mrs. H. E. Davis, Mrs. H. L. St. Clair.

The suggestion of a Home Guard organization at Gresham met with enthusiastic response. The following were appointed a committee of arrangements: Frank Jones, Jay Cannon, Richard Werner, Max Schneider.

Mayor Stapleton was requested to proclaim a half-holiday on Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Roy Kern, Mrs. Stapleton and Mrs. E. E. Welling, were appointed a committee to promote the work of gathering used and usable clothing, such as cast-off suits for both men and women. The Progressive Business Men's club of Portland and other organizations have pledged their assistance. The plan is to clean and repair these garments and put them on sale at a store room in Portland, and devote the proceeds to the work of the Patriotic Conservation league. The proprietor of the City Dye Works, Mr. Enke, will donate this work. This will help both the poor in affording low priced clothing and the cause in aiding the fund. Mr. Cannon in Gresham has a store room where bundles brought to Gresham can be stored and cared for and some making regular trips to Portland have agreed to deliver packages to the headquarters in Portland. Call up the committee and report your assistance.

E. W. Aylsworth, Bert Metzger and A. J. W. Brown were made a committee to interview business men and urge the display of Old Glory by every business house in Gresham and on all public buildings.

### "A ROSE 'O PLYMOUTH TOWN"

The senior class of Union High School No. 2 will present "A Rose 'O Plymouth Town" at Regner's opera house next Friday evening, April 20, under the direction of Miss Mae Williamson of Portland. Music will be furnished between acts by a quartet, consisting of the Misses Edella Towle, Benema Matthews, Gertrude Baker and Ruth Inglis and by the high school orchestra. Following is the program:

- Orchestra....."Imperial March"
- Orchestra....."Missouri Waltz"
- Act 1—An early morning in August—Stolen fruit.
- Orchestra....."Aloha Waltzes."
- Quartet....."Peggy".....Neidlinger
- Act 2—An afternoon in October—A maid's toys.
- Orchestra....."Down Honolulu Way"
- Quartet....."Happy Song"
- .....Terra del Riego
- Act 3—A night in March—The red light in the snow.
- Orchestra....."Lights Out."
- Quartet....."One Fleeting Hour".....Dorothy Lee
- Act 4—The next afternoon—The better man.

**Cast of Characters.**  
Miles Standish, captain of Plymouth, Clyde Ruegg.  
Garrett Foster, of Weston's men, Glenn Rusher.  
John Margeson, Plymouth Colonist, Emerson Brown.  
Philippe de LaNoye, Plymouth colonist, Ernest Quesinberry.  
Miriam Chillingley, Eckford Cameron.  
Barbara Standish, wife to the captain, Hilma Staffanson.

### POSTMASTER ROBERTS TO EXAMINE RECRUITS

Postmaster Roberts has received authority from the naval and army recruiting officers to conduct a preliminary examination for those desiring to enlist in either branch of the service. Once the applicant has passed the physical examination here there will be no further trouble on that score and the extra expense of going to Portland will be saved.

The ages of applicants may be anywhere between 18 and 49 and they may enlist for duration of the war. These enlistments are for the regular army or navy.

### LOAN ASSOCIATION TO BE ORGANIZED

An effort is being made to organize a Federal Farm Loan association among some of the prominent farmers of this vicinity, the purpose being to secure loans from the farm loan fund at 5 per cent interest on from five to forty years' time.

About half a dozen are already interested and will hold a meeting tonight at the office of G. A. Brodie, 625 Yeon building, Portland. A few more farm owners desiring loans are needed to make the association complete, and those interested are requested to be at the meeting tonight if possible, or call on Mr. Brodie.

### PRODUCTION INCREASE IS THE OBJECT

That there are vacant and unused lots and acreage tracts in Gresham and in the area between Lents and Montavilla and the Sandy river that could be profitably cultivated during this summer is evident to every thoughtful observer.

That there are persons young and old who would be glad to do their part to increase the production in this locality to help meet the urgent needs growing out of the present high prices and food shortage is also confidently believed.

In order to help provide for these emergencies and get the land owner and prospective worker together a campaign of enrollment and publicity has been undertaken.

Elsewhere it is stated that a preliminary committee, of which D. W. Towle is chairman, was appointed Saturday night. This committee, feeling that the time was short and the need urgent, met Sunday afternoon and districted the territory according to school districts and suggested a person to canvass each district and collect needed information.

Pursuant to this plan the following have been appointed to represent the districts designated.

- G. N. Sager, Pleasant Valley.
- John Sieret, Lusted and Orient.
- D. W. Towle, Terry.
- Benj. Cameron, E. S. McCormick, Gresham.
- Wm. Peterson, Powell Valley.
- Mrs. Paris, Gilbert.
- W. C. Lawrence, Lynch.
- Ray Gill, Russellville.
- S. B. Hall, Fairview.
- Mrs. Hatfield, Troutdale.
- G. C. Gossett, Buckley.
- Mrs. Jelkin, Rockwood.
- O. W. Tarr, Melrose.

It is desired that each one, calling on such assistance as may be necessary in their several localities, prepare a list of unused tracts which are available and could be cultivated, giving the owner's name and address if possible, size of tract, conditions on which it could be used, whether donated or for what rental price and terms. Also make a list of persons who would be willing to utilize at present unused tracts and under what general conditions.

It is desired that so far as possible the owner's themselves take charge of planting or leasing usable tracts.

The committee suggests that any of the following in any quantity can be grown at a good profit to the producer and will be in unusual demand: Beans both white and Mexican, potatoes, cabbage, beets, onions, rutabagas, carrots, spinach, peas, corn, cucumbers.

Plans are on foot for helping to provide seed where the person cannot provide his own. Effort will also be made in certain needful cases to

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### HOME GUARD IN BIG PARADE ON THURSDAY

The citizens' meeting held Saturday night was enthusiastic in urging the people of Gresham and vicinity to take part in the patriotic parade to be held in Portland next Thursday afternoon, and to make a creditable showing for this part of the county. To that end a committee was appointed to enlist as many as possible for the parade.

It is expected that at least a hundred men from the Gresham Home Guard will be in line. Beside these, all automobile owners are invited to join in the demonstration. Fifty pairs of Gresham pennants were used in an automobile parade a few months ago. It is hoped that all these will be in evidence on Thursday.

The committee in charge of automobile division consists of Mrs. K. A. Miller, Mrs. Maxwell Schneider, Mrs. J. N. Clananah, Mrs. H. E. Davis, Mrs. B. W. Emery and Mrs. H. L. St. Clair. George F. Honey will arrange for a suitable banner to head the Gresham division.

The Portland Railway Light & Power company has granted a reduction in fares on the Springwater, Bull Run and Troutdale divisions for the day, giving the round trip for the regular one way fare.

The Home Guard is drilling for this occasion and will appear with color bearer, fife and drum corps and each man carrying a flag and other emblem of Home Guard duty. It is suggested by S. B. Hall that each squad of eight men carry either a gun or an agricultural tool and this plan will be perfected on Wednesday night.

It has been thought best for the Gresham contingent to go directly to Portland to the point at which it will join the monster parade, instead of forming in line here and trying to keep together, which has been found an impossibility on former occasions. The place of meeting cannot now be announced, but as soon as it is made known, all members of the parade committee will be notified and announcement will be made at the meeting of the Home Guard tomorrow night.

It is suggested that ladies and those who cannot march go in autos, but Gresham must be represented by a large marching delegation. Men on foot are wanted. Report for drill Wednesday night.

George Honey is arranging for the Boy Scouts of Gresham to march in the parade.

Mrs. R. F. Walters and Mrs. H. L. St. Clair attended a meeting of Wilamette Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, in Portland last Wednesday afternoon, at which Mrs. Eva Emery Dye of Oregon City was the principal speaker. Mrs. Walters is an officer in the chapter and an enthusiastic "Daughter."

### A VIGOROUS WAR AGAINST WASTE

Is it not a part of woman's service to the nation at this time to set the house in order to the end that kitchen waste shall cease?

The department of agriculture at Washington is calling on the housewives of the nation to beware of waste. Never, perhaps, was the warning more timely, or the need of it more urgent. In the course of a single year, the department experts declare, the waste from American kitchens amounts to \$700,000,000. This is bad enough, even in times when normal conditions prevail, but in these days, when rigid economy must be practiced on every hand, it is essential that some means be found whereby this loss may be immediately checked and reduced.

This waste, says the department, is due in large measure to carelessness and ignorance. Good food is thrown away; more food is allowed to spoil in the kitchen, and still more food is ruined by improper cooking. The rest of the waste—the smaller part of it—is attributed to destruction by rats, mice and insects. The figures, it is to be observed, are confined to estimates of waste in the nation's households. Plainly speaking, they bring an indictment against the American housewife.

The figures have been cited before. In the past, however, the department suggests each housewife has been wont to regard herself as innocent. The waste, she persuaded herself, was in her neighbor's kitchen, not in her own. So, since each shifted the responsibility, the waste continued. Now the department urges that every woman look carefully and thoroughly into her own kitchen economy. To help her it says that "good food is wasted if it gets into the garbage pail; if it is allowed to spoil in the home; if it is ruined by careless cooking or by careless paring and trimming; and when too much is served at a meal."

The general advice is to learn how to make use of "leftovers." "Many persons," continues the statement, "regard the saving of small amounts of leftover food as unimportant." If they kept accurate account, however, for any period, many families would be astounded by the amount of good food they are throwing out and by the sums that they are paying to the grocer, the butcher and milkman merely to replace good food being absolutely wasted. Surely the department's arraignment does not lack for emphasis, and now is the time for retrenchment in the kitchen more than in any other feature or place in the economy of the household.