

## DEEENSE DAY CALL IS FOR ALL PATRIOTS

Every patriotic farmer is requested to attend one of the agricultural meetings which are to be held on Agricultural Defense Day, which is tomorrow, May 12. Plans for these meetings are already laid and speakers from Portland and other men from various localities will address the meetings on the topics of the day, namely: "The plan for raising and distributing farm labor; the policy of the secretary of agriculture in regard to the protection of the farmer by the adoption of a minimum price, and anti-food speculation law; the world's food supply; and the taking of a crop census of Multnomah county."

Farmers throughout the state will report food resources on blanks which will be supplied to them. This will be the first chance which the farmer will have to answer the call of the government and help in carrying this country through the greatest food crisis the world has ever known.

The local companies of the Girls' National Honor Guard will assist in compiling the reports so that they may be sent to the war department in concise form.

Following is a summary of the subjects upon which information is required:

The number of acres planted this year and the usual number of acres sown of fall and spring wheat, oats, barley, corn, potatoes, hay and beans will be reported. Also the number on hand May 1, 1917, and May 1, 1916, of dairy cows and calves, beef cattle, breeding and other stock and brood sows, feeding hogs, breeding ewes, sheep other than breeding ewes, brood mares, other horses and poultry.

Speakers for fourteen Multnomah county meetings on Saturday and one on Friday will be supplied through the office of County Agriculturalist S. E. Hall at Gresham. In addition to the crop census, special reports will be made on the labor situation, plans for enlisting farm labor, means of getting the greatest efficiency out of the present inadequate labor supply. There will be an explanation of the law proposed to govern the minimum prices that can be paid farmers for foodstuffs and the maximum prices dealers can charge. The meetings for Saturday at 8 p. m. and the chairman of the committees on arrangements are:

Russellville grange hall, H. A. Lewis; Rockwood grange hall, Peter Wieland; Fairview Presbyterian church, Earl Townsend; Multnomah grange hall, C. H. Johanson; Gresham grange hall, George Stapleton; Pleasant Valley grange hall, H. E. Poppleton; Hillsdale church, Colonel Dosch; Springdale schoolhouse, Grant Bell; Powell Valley schoolhouse, William Peterson; Lusted schoolhouse, W. I. Spencer; Cedar schoolhouse, G. W. Alder, meeting to be held before an entertainment already announced; Buckley schoolhouse, E. E. Welling; Gilbert schoolhouse, H. A. Darnall. General arrangements are in the hands of the county council of defense.

## MAKING NECESSITIES FOR THE SOLDIER BOYS

The W. C. T. U. Mothers' meeting held at the home of Mrs. Jake Metzger yesterday afternoon was one of the most enthusiastic ever held by that society, the special occasion being the making of "house wives" for our boys who have enlisted.

"Housewives" are small cases made of kaffi with compartments containing needles, thread, buttons, safety pins, scissors, courtplaster, etc.

About forty women were present, everyone doing her part with a motherly and patriotic eagerness.

Sewing machines were carried in from the neighbors and one could easily imagine the buzz of the great munitions factory.

On account of the possibility of our enlisted boys being transferred to other parts of the country without notice, there will be a special meeting next week to finish the first batch of "housewives, also to begin work on "comfort bags" for the boys of the navy.

W. C. T. U. meetings are never exclusive, they are non-political and non-sectarian, and any woman is cordially welcome and invited. Place of meeting next week will be announced later.

A German colliery has installed a caaten 500 feet below ground to save its miners' time.

## FRESHMAN CLASS UNVEIL STATUE

Interesting exercises were held at the high school this morning, when a fine bust of George Washington, the gift of the Freshman class, was unveiled and presented to the school. Henry Karpenstein, president of the class, made the presentation speech. He called attention to the fact that the Freshman class had departed from the usual custom of presenting a banner, and instead gave this bust, which would continue to be an inspiration to all classes to follow, and which stood for the ideal of truth and liberty.

Mayor George W. Stapleton, chairman of the union high school board, accepted the gift on behalf of the school, in words of appreciation and encouragement. Mr. Stapleton commended the spirit of self sacrifice for the good of others and urged all to strive to develop those qualities which make for good citizenship. Appropriate music was furnished by the orchestra and by the school.

In his introductory remarks, Principal Goodwin stated that 74 students had entered as members of the Freshman class. Eleven of these have dropped out, four of whom have answered the call to the colors, leaving the class with the present membership of 63.

## FOUR THOUSAND MILES TO VISIT THEIR SON

Mr. and Mrs. K. A. Miller were given a delightful surprise on Thursday afternoon by a visit from Mr. Miller's brother and his wife, Dr. and Mrs. R. W. Miller, of San Jose, California. Dr. Miller and his family drove from their home to Portland in their Buick six, making the eight hundred odd miles in four days, without any trouble or delay whatsoever. They encountered some very muddy roads between Ashland and Portland, especially coming through the Pass Creek canyon in Douglas county.

After a stop of a few days in Portland Dr. Miller and his family will start on a transcontinental run to visit his eldest son who is a sophomore at Yale. Dr. Miller's son has enlisted in the New Jersey Coast Artillery and could not make a visit to the Pacific coast so the family will visit him.

Mr. Miller is a son of A. F. Miller, president of the Bank of Gresham. There will be a family reunion at his father's home in Sellwood next Sunday.

## CANNERY WILL TAKE UNLIMITED AMOUNT

James Elkington, secretary of the Gresham Fruit Growers' association, reports having made quite a number of contracts for the vegetables required by the cannery this year; also that there will be practically no limit to the amount that can be taken.

As a further reminder to those who will make contracts or are contemplating doing so the prices to be paid are again given herewith together with other information furnished by H. E. Davis:

We will pay the following prices at the factory, containers furnished free and seed at wholesale price:

Beans, yield 3 to 5 tons per acre, \$40 per ton.  
Beets, yield 4 to 7 tons per acre, \$20 per ton.  
Carrots, yield 10 to 15 tons per acre, \$19 per ton.  
Spinach, yield 6 to 10 tons per acre, \$25 per ton.  
Turnips, yield 10 to 15 tons per acre, \$10 per ton.

We would like to have the people plant their crops as near the 20th of May as possible, and we must have contracts with each individual if only for a town lot, which will help and will be received and treated the same as a 50-acre field.

## SECOND QUARTERLY AUTOMOBILE RECORD

The second quarterly issue of the Automobile Record for 1917 was sent out from the Outlook press yesterday. It contains sixty pages of listed automobiles with a vast amount of statistical information included.

The first quarterly Record included the first 24,000 registrations in the state. This issue contains 16,750. The Record is published by M. O. Wilkins of Portland and is a valuable reference book to all who own motor cars. A weekly edition is also published, giving the latest registrations and auto information.

According to a report on the Cranbrook forest district, British Columbia, it is estimated that the timber cut for 1916 will be from 150,000,000 to 160,000,000 feet. In 1913, which is the year in which the previous largest cut was made, it amounted to 148,000,000 feet.

## WHERE SEEDS MAY BE HAD, WITH PRICES

As there has been some difficulty in gathering many varieties of seeds the Oregon Agricultural college extension service has prepared an extensive list of those who have varying quantities for sale. If other good lots of seed are known it is requested that information be sent the college. Write the college for any information regarding seeds.

The following seeds may be had in this vicinity, together with large quantities of some varieties at a further distance:

Corn—Gill Bros. Seed Co., Portland, R. 1—25 to 100 pounds at 7 cents per pound. One hundred or more at 6 cents per pound.

Mrs. W. S. Campbell, Gold Hill, Oregon—Small amount.

Mr. H. B. Berntzen, Eugene—200 pounds at 6 cents per pound.

Mr. J. H. Aldrich, Box 205, Canby, Oregon—Four or five bushels at 6 cents per pound.

Mr. Chas. H. Hoyt, Jefferson, Oregon—Three bushels at 7 cents per pound.

Stout Bros., Sheridan, Oregon—Twelve bushels at 10 cents per pound.

H. L. Herse, Corvallis, R. 4—500 pounds.

Albert Stone, Woodburn, Oregon—Eight pounds.

Kale—Mr. W. H. Stevens, Corvallis, Oregon—Two bushels.

Hans Jensen, R. 7, Salem, Oregon—100 pounds of kale, 84 per cent germination, 25 cents per pound postpaid.

Barley—Hannchen—The Portland Seed Co., Portland, Oregon.

Hannchen—James Pounder, Corbett, Oregon.

Seed oats—Wm. Schulmerick, Hillsboro—one-half ton at \$35; one ton at \$65; one carload.

Potatoes—Gill Bros., Seed Co., Portland, R. 1—49 sacks Burbanks, at 4 cents; also choice varieties in small lots.

Beans—Oregon Fruit Co., Portland, Oregon.

Red Mexican and Royal White Kidney—E. L. Davis, Williams, Josephine county, Oregon; 3000 lbs. Red Mexican at 11 cts. f. o. b. Grants Pass and 400 pounds Royal White Kidney at 15 cents. Excellent quality.

Lady Washington—Gill Bros. Seed Co., Portland, R. 1—1300 lbs. at 20 cents per pound.

White Navy—F. N. Whitney, Monroe, Oregon—100 pounds.

White Navy—J. M. Herron, Monroe, Oregon—100 pounds.

Mexican Tree Beans, (choice)—Gill Bros. Seed Co., Portland, R. 1, Peas—Early Morn, Telephone, American Wonder, Little Marvel—Gill Bros. Seed Co., Portland, R. 1.

## HIGH SCHOOL BOYS IN WORKING RESERVE

County Agent S. E. Hall received a notice this morning to enlist two boys from the union high school, if possible, in the United States Working Reserve, a branch of the service under the direction of the Department of Agriculture.

Mr. Hall's assistant, Richard Werner, at once took the matter in hand and met with an instant response. The first two to answer the request were Walter Metzger and Orville Zimmerman who were enlisted at once.

They have already been given an assignment on the farm of W. I. Spencer at Lusted and will go to work tomorrow. They will draw regular farm labor wages from their employer and may be assigned elsewhere whenever their help is needed as they are under obligations to work wherever their services are required.

## COTTRELL SCHOOL TO GRADUATE SEVEN

Cottrell school will hold an eighth grade program tonight at the schoolhouse. An interesting feature will be the presentation of diplomas to seven students by Superintendent J. E. Calavan. Dr. Milliken will give the class address "The Open Highways of the Blind Alley."

The graduates will be Evelyn Bates, Willie Booth, Mabel Hauglum, Roland Brooks, Eugene Proctor, Alfred Andrews and Anthony Hengstler.

The class motto is "Grin and Begin to Win"; class colors, Red, White and Blue; class flower, wild currant.

Read the Want Ads.

## WHERE BOND ISSUE MONEY WILL BE USED

In an effort to turn the voters of Benton, Lane, Linn and Marion counties against the road bond bill, C. E. Spence, master of the grange, is making the unfounded assertion that none of the money raised from the bonds will be expended on roads in the Willamette valley south of Multnomah county; that all of the money contributed by Willamette valley counties in automobile licenses and in taxes from the quarter mill state road tax will be required and will be expended in completing the Columbia River Highway.

The plain facts are:

1st. Reliable engineering estimates secured by the Highway commission agree that \$1,750,000 will complete the Columbia River Highway from Astoria to The Dalles.

2d. Multnomah county pays 35 1/2 per cent of the state tax and 40 per cent of the automobile license fees but under the highway plan embraced in the road bond bill not one cent of the money so paid will be expended in Multnomah county.

3d. Multnomah county will pay in automobile fees and state road tax approximately \$2,400,000 which is more than sufficient to complete the Columbia River Highway and leave a balance of \$650,000 to be applied on other roads. These figures do not take into account the amounts that will be paid by Clatsop, Columbia, Hood River and Wasco counties which will also be available for completing the Columbia River Highway. The amounts paid into the fund by these counties will further reduce the amount of Multnomah county's contribution to the Columbia River Highway and leave a considerably larger sum than \$650,000 to be applied on the Pacific Highway and other roads contemplated in the road bond bill.

4th. Not one cent of the money paid by counties of the state, other than that contributed by Multnomah, Clatsop, Hood River and Wasco counties, will be required to complete the Columbia River Highway and the other roads outside of the counties enumerated.

5th. In other words, under the \$6,000,000 road bond plan, Multnomah county automobile owners and taxpayers will not only pay sufficient funds to complete the Columbia River Highway but will also contribute to the fund that will be expended on the Pacific Highway and other roads in the Willamette valley and in other sections of the state.

## HOME GUARD FORMED AT PLEASANT HOME

A meeting of the citizens of Pleasant Home was held at C. B. Steinman's on Wednesday evening, May 9, for the purpose of organizing a Home Guard. C. M. Quicksall was elected chairman and among other remarks stated the object of the meeting. H. F. Wilton and Rev. F. S. Ford also addressed the meeting, after which a roster was signed with thirty-five names. The following officers were elected: H. F. Wilton, captain; C. B. Steinman, first lieutenant; F. Dixon, second lieutenant.

The meeting was quite enthusiastic and without doubt fifty or more will sign the roster before Monday evening next, which Captain Wilton designated for the first regular gathering, at Denny's hall, 8 o'clock sharp.

Following is the roster of members: H. F. Wilton, M. H. Ranw, C. B. Steinman, C. M. Quicksall, F. S. Ford, C. C. Jack, L. K. Miller, F. Dixon, G. Nasshahn, R. Shumway, Geo. R. Anderson, L. J. Walters, H. C. Nelson, W. M. Newlands, J. F. Collins, F. Gotcher, L. R. Lauderback, R. J. Wuner, A. G. Rich, G. N. Hood, Chas. J. Morgan, Albert J. Quay, Kenneth F. Lauderback, Peter Larson, H. B. Hemmers, W. G. Calvin, Irvin Neibauer, Walter Proctor, Ed. Waldrip, R. J. Anderson, Burt McKinney, Charles Paulson, Oscar Carlson, Wm. Trimble, I. G. Denney.

One of the American pioneers in radio development has lately invented a tiny wireless receiver which makes it possible for a man in the streets to pick up messages sent out from any station in the immediate vicinity. The device has the appearance of a fountain pen and is about the size of one. Its interior arrangement is remarkably compact.

An Indian Wallace Lewy, holds a seat in the maine legislature.

## WARNS ALL PERSONS NOT TO TRESPASS

The Wilson road difficulty is further away from a settlement than ever. The county commissioners decided last Thursday upon the completion of work on the approach to the Wilson road in spite of previous action which aimed to drop the project unless the necessary rights of way were donated by property owners.

The road was left some 30 feet in the air with the finishing of the Base Line cut-off to the club, and \$6000 was appropriated in the road budget this year for remedying the damage by construction of a new approach. As work was about to begin Roadmaster Yeon was confronted with demands for damages along the proposed right of way totaling almost the entire amount appropriated for the construction.

In a recommendation to the commissioners, Mr. Yeon urged that plans for this approach be dropped unless the right of way was donated. Property owners who need the Wilson road badly but who do not own property along the right of way in question protested, and the action yesterday resulted. Damages, if any, will be fixed by the courts later, as the right of way will be confiscated.

Upon receipt of the intentions of county commissioners, as outlined above, Mr. Wilson at once posted trespass notices, warning all persons from entering upon his property for any purpose except surveying. As the extension runs through the Wilson farm and no right of way has been secured there promises to be an interesting time before the matter is finally settled.

## UNDERTAKING ROOMS NOW SECOND TO NONE

R. R. Carlson has recently made a complete renovation and remodeling of his undertaking parlors. One half of the lower floor is now arranged for the business, the front room being the chapel, as before, but it has been enlarged and remodeled so as to provide more conveniences for conducting funerals.

At the rear of the chapel is an alcove on one side of which is a choir room and on the other a room for the mourners where they have all desired privacy yet be witnesses of the services. Just back of these rooms is a hallway from which the casket is taken through to a hearse in waiting, through a side door, while the audience goes from the chapel by the front way. The mourners may also follow the casket and pallbearers to their cars in waiting.

At the rear of the chapel is the casket room, which contains a well-selected stock of all grades. Beyond this room is the embalming room with all facilities of a modern establishment. A rear door opens upon a graveled roadway that extends along the back of the building around to the casket and mourners' exit and from there to the street.

Mr. Carlson has expended a large sum of money in the work of giving Eastern Multnomah a modern undertaking establishment, which expenditure will be appreciated by the public in an increased patronage. He is to be commended for his public spirited ideas in providing the best—for the best is always demanded in paying the last tokens of respect to the departed.

## GRESHAM YOUNG MAN WILL SERVE IN FRANCE

One of the first expeditions to go to France from the United States will be an ambulance corps, which will be ready to start in less than a month. John Honey, a graduate of Gresham high school and now a student in Leland Stanford University, has volunteered to go as a driver. Several weeks ago John enlisted in the officers' reserve corps, but defective eyes barred him. He recently telegraphed his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Honey, asking their approval and consent to his plan to be of service to his country in the ambulance corps, and has received their consent.

John is particularly well fitted for the position, being not only accustomed to handling motor vehicles, but able to speak the French language fluently. His many friends here will follow his career with interest. He is expected home for a brief visit before sailing.

The volume of the saline matter in the ocean is a little more than 4,800,000 cubic miles, or, according to the United States geological survey, department of interior, enough to cover the entire surface of the United States to a depth of 8,500 feet.

## COUNCIL OF DEFENCE IN FRONT RANK

Tuesday evening's meeting at the library of the County Council of Defense was attended by delegates from practically every grange and community in eastern Multnomah; also by County Commissioners Holman and Holbrook, Hillsview, west of Portland, was also represented.

H. A. Lewis served as chairman with Richard Werner as secretary. County Agent S. E. Hall explained the object of the meeting as being preliminary to a larger gathering tomorrow night at the Gresham grange hall and in every other community in the county.

Different ones were called upon to explain their ideas as to the best means of increasing production, conserving all resources and solving the problem of farm labor. R. W. Gill explained the scarcity and high cost of seeds. H. E. Davis and Theodore Brugger spoke on the labor problem. Commissioner Holman promised for the county that but little "help" would be required on the county roads this year as improved machinery would be used as far as possible, requiring fewer men, and suggested a bread and water diet in the county jail for the slackers. The county will co-operate on fertilizers.

Mr. Hall stated that the object of the meeting was to get every farmer to attend some kind of gathering such as is to be held tomorrow night. He appointed a member from every grange and community in the county to get them out, as they all needed, information and instruction upon the acreage to be planted in different crops.

The solution of the labor problem is to be worked into the general scheme of defense during the whole year. Farm labor will not be interfered with in the plans for selective conscription.

The available seed is widely scattered and each farmer must co-operate in gathering and distributing the supplies on hand. There will be a greater scarcity next year, is the prediction of Mr. Gill, who is authority on such matters.

There was a demand from the delegates for speakers at the community meetings tomorrow night. Several volunteered to go wherever called, among them being Mayor Stapleton who will go to Orient. Commissioner Holman promised to send several from Portland.

These gatherings will have an important bearing on the food problem, and every farmer should attend the one in his vicinity tomorrow night. Blanks will be furnished each producer upon which is to be tabulated all resources. These blanks will be condensed into one report to be sent to Governor Withycombe. He in turn will condense the county reports and send them to Washington City, thus furnishing to the government from every state as complete a report as possible from all over the United States. This is an imperative matter which no person can afford to ignore or overlook, so there should be a great attendance at every gathering. Tomorrow will be National Defense Day and its observance will be of untold value to everyone.

The schools of eastern Multnomah will hold a track meet at the fair grounds, Gresham, May 25, commencing at 1:30 in the afternoon.

Prof. H. W. Ager, principal of the Gilbert school, has the matter in charge. A full program of events will be available for publication early next week.

The meet is open to pupils of all elementary schools in the county outside of Portland.

Teachers desiring to enter their pupils should write H. W. Ager, principal of Gilbert school, Lents, Oregon.

Merchants and others desiring to donate prizes are requested to inform E. S. McCormick of the Gresham school of such desires and he will see that they are accommodated.

A ball game will be one of the features.

Money to Loan.  
State school funds at six per cent are available for Multnomah county farm loans in sums from \$250 to \$5000. ARTHUR LANGGUTH, 605 McKay Building, Portland, Ore.

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