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JUDGE MCGINN'S ORATION.

A full report of the Fourth of July in Gresham would contain the oration given by Judge Henry E. McGinn. But to the thousands who listened to it with rapt attention it would be superfluous for any paper to make the attempt. It is beyond our province to try even an intelligible synopsis.

Judge McGinn delved into history more than two centuries and answered the question as to why our flag has become a battle flag, and is being borne by American troops in a foreign war. Strange as it may seem, this question persists, and some of the chief reasons for its survival were also set forth by the speaker. Forced to attempt by indirection, what they did for years by direct process, the pro-Germans in America are conducting a propaganda of interrogation, insidiously suggesting this impudent "Why?"

So plain that he who runs may read, so lucid that the simplest intelligence could grasp the downright facts presented, so vigorous that the most stubborn mind had to admit the force of the indictment, so soundly reasoned and so eloquent that by it the finest, strongest, best seasoned mentality could but be stimulated, this sterling speech at once laid bare the intrigue of query, and answered the question which is intended to sap the strength of the nation at its source.

It is not our purpose to analyze Judge McGinn's oration. We would not run the risk of weakening its strength and force by breaking it into parts even for purposes of examination and comment. It is one in its entirety. A thing to be considered in the whole. A great, human series of condensed thoughts to be remembered by all who were fortunate enough to hear it. Something that is to be forever missed by those who did not. Even comment seems superfluous. Only for this do we attempt to speak of it—that we may chronicle it as an event—in approval.

We would that everyone, Americans and aliens, might read it—that it might be read in every family circle, in every school and from every pulpit in the land. We would that every man and woman in this country in whose mind has been lurking the deadening query of why we are at war with Germany might take to heart the words of Judge McGinn that made it clear as day.

THE BOYS' WORK.

Every small boy who puts his shoulder to the light work, in order that the men and the big boys may have more time for the heavier tasks, is doing his bit bravely and nobly. Small boys are not especially eager for work, on general principles. This applies also to some big boys, and even to some men. Most small boys have longed for the glory of fighting for their country. Now is their chance.

Many men and big boys will be called to do their fighting away from home. Others must serve behind the firing line. The point is that all must serve—and the small boy can serve his country as well as his elders can. Every handful of weeds he pulls, every patful of feed he carries to the pigs which will be pork next fall and winter, every dish of grain he throws to the hens, every task he performs which leaves a man or a bigger boy available for some other task, is a blow struck at his country's enemy.

This is the way it works out: Our army and navy cannot fight without food. Guns and bullets are desirable for their use, but food is absolutely necessary. The very pig which some small boy on some Oregon farm is feeding today may strengthen the arms of a dozen or more of our fighters in France some day next winter; or if not, it will surely supply the home people with a quantity of food equivalent to a quantity which will be sent to our soldiers from some other small boy's farm, but which could not be sent to them if we did not have this pig to take the place of it here at home.

The same rule holds good in regard to the potatoes which the small boy

hoes and every vegetable he helps to raise. His back aches from stooping over the onion bed to pull weeds. His feet are sore and weary from the errands of the day. He misses the peaceful swimming pool and the pleasures of the hook and line.

Let him remember that our fighters in France miss them, too; that their backs probably ache as badly as his, and their feet are as sore and weary. But they do not complain. They are fighting for their country and for human liberty, and back-aches and sore feet don't count. He, too, is fighting for his country—they in their place, he in his.

Perhaps they don't like their job any better than he likes his, but they will do it or die in the attempt, for that is the spirit of the American soldier. The American small boy, who works that they may be fed, is their comrade. His part in the war is a mighty important part. Let him never for a moment forget it.

Immigration which averaged about 100,000 a month for 1913-14 went down to 19,000 in February, 1917, and about half a million a year have emigrated from our country annually since the European war started. A million men are being taken for military purposes and another million required to supply them with munitions of war. Another million is to be raised next year and labor famine is liable to be followed by a food famine.

The inquisitive subscriber at Troutdale writes us that he has lost his dictionary and wants to know the definition of "Impatience." Our answer is that it may be defined as that form of petulance and peevishness likely to be chronic among people who are eager to wake up tomorrow morning and find that the American navy has blown all the periscopes out of a covey of German submarines.

The man or woman who now thinks of nothing but some way of having fun is too shy of discernment to distinguish between supreme tragedy and a summer frolic. To be slightly more exact such a person comes pretty near having no sense at all and probably doesn't know the war is on.

"Should a wife look up to her husband?" asks the inquisitive subscriber at Troutdale. It all depends, Quisias. Experience teaches that if a summer bonnet is involved, a look up is not bad policy. If he happens to be sneaking in with a pass key about 2 a. m. he will be an easy mark.

As pleasure resorts the fishing holes in this vicinity seem a shade more popular than the trenches in France, but there are quite a number in our midst who would not mind going to France—after the war—if the government will pay the expenses.

Gresham's new marshal has the opportunity to make the Metzger name famous for being the best speed cop in the county and, incidentally, to help out the city finances. And he needn't go off Main street to do it.

A magazine writer says America is not yet awake. Not quite, perhaps, but she is kicking off the kiver and rubbing her eyes, and you can bet she will have the fire started and the breakfast on before long.

Russia's pardoned criminals and militant anarchists are on a rampage, but as yet they haven't displayed any disloyal banners or sustained a picketing force in front of the Russian White House.

A flood of counterfeit nickles is reported back east. It seems to us that self-respecting men, if they are determined to counterfeit, would plunge in a lordly way and deal in dimes.

Now, of course, if victory merely went with the side that could eat the most strawberries, we believe Gresham could have Germany licked before raspberries get ripe.

The Lord must have valued the frying-pan above all other cooking utensils, because more people know how to use it than any other piece of machinery ever invented.

Perhaps Bordeaux mixture, or arsenate of lead, or nicotine sulphate would do something to the bugs that are eating up the Beavers' baseball percentage crop.

We suppose some men prefer working at a soda fountain at \$7 a week to working on a farm for twice that sum because the soda fountain is not so hard on the complexion.

As exhausting as war is, we hope that the friends of rest will not clamor for the eight-hour battle until Germany shall have been licked.

Recruiting is so brisk now, just before conscription, that a recruiting officer is almost as popular as a bill collector.

The mayor didn't suspend that freerack ordinance but the small boys did.

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FOOD CONTROL.

Herbert C. Hoover has asked the Outlook to run the motto that is to be found at the top of the front page today, and to write something about it. Mr. Hoover has told the senate committee that the United States must face the alternative of feeding the allies or fight the war alone.

It seems to be impossible for many congressmen to grasp this tremendous truth in connection with the food control bill which will not become a law for two weeks yet. It is the problem of victualing the armies in France that makes food control necessary, but some congressmen seem to find it impossible to get away from the sordid consideration of profits.

They fear that this class of producers may not gorge themselves with profits sufficiently, and the eternal search for the bug under the chip goes on, while the ever-present danger becomes greater.

Without food, the allies would be forced to make peace, and even at this moment Germany would be glad to make peace with their warring neighbors in Europe, and even make them important concessions, for the privilege of continuing the war against this country without interference from them.

The entente allies are fighting bravely and sacrificing everything, but they must have food and they can get it only from the United States. This makes food control necessary, because our supply must not only be divided with our European allies, but allowance must be made for the circumstance that much of our one too abundant supply will likely be lost through the submarine warfare.

And congress must remember this: The United States is now the purchasing agent for the allies and all the purchases are paid for in money lent the government by the people of the United States. The government has the power to commandeer what it wants and fix the price, but this is not desirable if a systematic control of the supply, together with its distribution and conservation can be had.

What the government wants is power to so regulate the movement and distribution of food that the armies in Europe may be fed and at the same time impose the minimum of privation upon people of this country. There is no possibility that the producers would receive a lower price than would be just and compensatory.

Food control is, therefore, more a matter of conservation, transportation and effective distribution than a matter of price, and it is upon conservation, transportation and distribution that the continuance of the military operations of our allies depends.

As for price, that more directly concerns the producers of this country, and they are apt to be heard from during next winter, unless some competent authority restrains the cupidity of the food manipulators.

But congress ought to know that the producers are assured of good prices in any event, and that price is at this time but a secondary phase of the problem which has rendered food control imperative.

The federal trade commission proposes to keep a close eye on the coal production and prices, but something more than eye will be necessary to get the coal bin full before fall.

"The quality of the wheat crop," says the Modern Miller, "will be good." Now if everybody else will be good we'll probably get along without missing a square meal.

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When the proposed fleet of fast battle cruisers has been completed, it will take 6,721,000 barrels of oil a year to operate them.

One large sugar-refining concern in this country employs 135,000 cars to carry on its business.

Waste wood products from southern saw mills are to be used in the manufacture of paper.

Since the outbreak of the war, electric steel cranes have been growing in number.

China contains more American missionaries than American business men.

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Bids will be received by the district clerk up to July 16 for painting the schoolhouse at Boring. Also bids wanted for installing water system. Board reserves right to reject any and all bids.

J. E. SIEFER, Chairman. O. W. BORING, Clerk.

Bids will be received by the Board of Directors of School District No. 4 for furnishing and delivery of 75 cords of wood at the schoolhouse on or before August 15, 1917.

All bids to be in the hands of the clerk by July 10, 1917.

C. J. LUNDQUIST, Clerk.

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