

PIONEER OF ARMY CAMP IS Y. M. C. A.

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The many readers of the Outlook, who helped in the recent Army Y. M. C. A. Drive for funds, will be interested to know of a few of the ways in which these funds are being used.

Early in June of this year a group of Y. M. C. A. men, under the leadership of G. Sherwood Eddy, went to France before the sailing of the first U. S. Army contingent. Through the wise foresight of Dr. John R. Mott these men were sent over in advance in order to be ready to receive the "Sammies" and have the comforts and conveniences provided by the Y. M. C. A., awaiting their arrival. A big consignment of several automobile trucks, pianos, tons of stationery, reading matter, large tents, and other Y. M. C. A. equipment was shipped on the ill-fated steamer "Kansan" that was the victim of a German submarine, and the equipment landed in "Davy Jones' Locker" instead of in France. The resourcefulness of the Secretaries, however, met the occasion and by the prompt cabling of funds from New York, enabled them to provide enough new material so that when the American soldiers landed in France they found a well equipped Army Y. M. C. A. building in a three story building near the landing place that shouted a welcome to them in this strange land.

Within a few minutes after the first shipload of U. S. soldiers landed the Army Y. M. C. A. building was thronged with soldiers and the long correspondence tables were crowded with men writing postcards and letters home to friends, telling of their safe arrival and the comforts provided by the Association.

People who remain at home can scarcely realize the inconvenience and the many annoying things that the soldier in the field must endure. An army on the move is unable to provide many of the so-called necessities of home life. Most of the troopers are forced to eat their meals from the mess-kits, sitting by the roadside, or standing under the overhanging eaves of a friendly roof. The men who have been quartered in barns or wood-sheds, with wooden roofs, count themselves fortunate. One visitor to one of these stable dormitories said that the dust in these barns was so alive with vermin that a handful of it would wriggle out of your grasp when gathered in the hand. The American boys are cheerful under all of these trying circumstances.

With hard drilling, long hours and such accommodations as these it is not strange that the boys welcome the greeting at the Y. M. C. A. when the day's work is done. The following extract is taken from one of the secretaries' diaries:

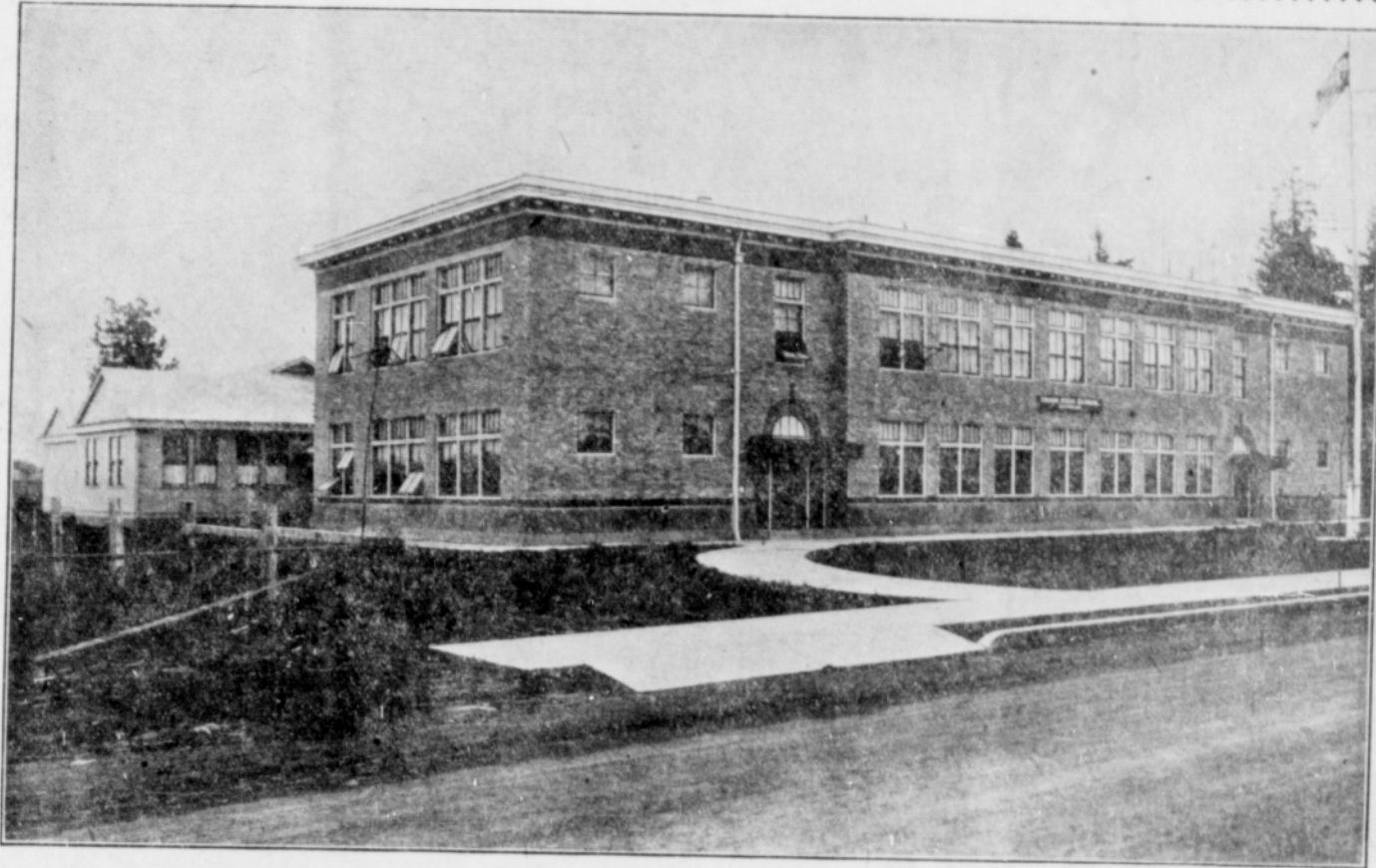
"The boys fairly stormed my tent last night. Our limited supply of stationery, postcards, books, etc., was exhausted in one hour. Later the Chaplain and I held services at one of our bases. Last night I slept in our new billet and in the evening wrote letters by the light of a little tin lamp like a miner's lamp. The room was clean but nearly bare of furniture. Yesterday I gave out nearly 200 Testaments."

On the western front the troops are massed in reserves, one division behind another, like the lines of breakers coming in on the beach at Gearhart on a stormy day. Army Y. M. C. A. buildings are to be found at regular points among these lines of reserve soldiers extending from the North Sea clear down to the Swiss frontier.

Already Oregon has sent a goodly number of Y. M. C. A. secretaries, Mr. I. B. Rhodes, secretary of the State Y. M. C. A. of Oregon and Idaho is now in France and will soon be joined by Mr. J. W. Palmer, employment secretary of the Portland Association, and Mr. Fred Lockley, a member of the board of directors of the same organization. Rev. D. A. Thompson of the Mizpa Presbyterian church is now enroute. Mr. Louis A. Crosssett, a Boston business man gives this very interesting description of the Y. M. C. A. in France: "I found a 'hut' near the entrance of the front trench, where shells were coming down all around it," he said. "This hut was in a little dugout made of logs and covered with sandbags. At one end was a little kitchen where

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STUDENTS TAUGHT METHODS OF LEGISLATION



UNION HIGH SCHOOL NO. 2, GRESHAM MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

The new student body organization has been perfected and is working nicely. The scheme is new and original and should appeal to all schools wishing to teach important lessons in democracy in a most practical way.

A constitution somewhat similar to our Federal constitution has been printed and adopted. The preamble to this constitution is as follows:

We, the students of Union High School, District No. 2 of Multnomah County, Oregon, in order to form a more perfect union of the different classes, clubs, societies and organizations represented, establish justice, insure the most harmonious adjustment of all matters pertaining to school government, provide for a more practical study of the great principle of democracy, and secure the best results from our high school training for ourselves and our successors, do ordain and establish this constitution for Union High School No. 2.

The legislative power of the Student Body organization is vested in a Senate and Assembly to correspond with the two Houses of our congress or legislature. The Senate is composed of three members from each of the four classes represented in the school and one member from each organized club, society or other association of the school approved by the faculty, and two members of the faculty appointed by the principal.

The Assembly is composed of the remaining students of the school and all class advisors. The Australian ballot system is used in all elections.

The principal and faculty correspond to the President and his cabinet in the Federal system.

The following officers have been elected for the ensuing school year:

The Senate—President, Mervin I. Good; vice president, David Peterson; secretary, Ruth Hartley; sergeant-at-arms, Joe Comstock; reporter, Eva Tacheron.

The Assembly—Chairman, Orville Zimmerman; vice chairman, Olive Olsen; clerk, Esther Anderson; treasurer, Leisla Ruby; sergeant-at-arms, William Butler and Loren Myers; reporter, Mabel Wagner.

The following organizations are represented in the Senate: Treble Clef Club, Union High Orchestra, Campfire Girls, Tri "S" Club, Athletic Association, Munchinot Staff, The Argus Staff. Two literary societies are now working on constitutions

and will be entitled to representation in the Senate. A student can only be a member of one House. The President of the Senate presides at all joint meetings of both Houses and is, therefore, president of the Student Body organization.

The following committees will facilitate matters of business: Ways and Means, Finance, Reception, General Welfare, Employment.

Regular meetings of both Houses will be held on the first Friday afternoon or each calendar month. All rules of the school henceforth will be made by the students themselves. These rules will be presented in either House in the same manner as Bills in our congress or legislature. In this way students will get practical training in law making and will initiate and carry out an ideal system of student self-government.

Arrangements have been made to publish The Argus monthly during the remainder of the school year. The next issue will appear on Thursday, December 29th. It will be in the form of a magazine and contain 24 pages and cover. The price will be 15 cents a copy or two copies for 25 cents. Application has been made to have the publication admitted to the mails as second-class matter. The Editor-in-Chief, Leslie Walrad, and General Manager, Orville Zimmerman, with a well-selected corps of assistants are working hard to make The Argus the best school paper of its kind in the state.

Already the Munchinot Staff are getting ready for the publication of the third edition of the school Annual. Merrill Good is Editor-in-Chief and his brother Mervin Good, Business Manager. They say it is going to be a "little different" but original and a Good book. It is published by the senior class and will appear about May 15th.

The Treble Clef Club, our girls' musical organization, is planning a novel musical entertainment to be given on Friday, January 4th. The money taken in by way of a small admission charge is to be used in the payment of a balance due on Victrola purchased by the organization last year.

The Tri "S" (Domestic Science girls) will give a Christmas bazaar at the school building on Friday afternoon, December 21st. In conjunction with the Manual Training boys they are making all kinds of useful trinkets to be sold at this bazaar and the money to be used in

Red Cross work. There will be a tea room presided over by Japanese maids; silhouette room, a tulip garden. Some of the things to eat will be Christmas candies (the Hoover kind), Jack Horner pie, popcorn balls, fruit cake, etc.

The Camp Fire Girls is a new organization of the girls of the school. The organization will be self-supporting, as each girl is to earn the money for her own costume and other expenses. The Minute Girl uniform has been adopted, ie, white blouse, blue skirt and red tie. They will try to follow the law of the National organization, seek beauty, give service, pursue knowledge, be trustworthy, hold on to health, glorify work, be happy.

The Union High Orchestra is meeting twice a week for practice and fast becoming a good musical organization. They played at the County Teachers' Institute in Portland during Thanksgiving week and received much praise. Miss Leisla Ruby is president of this organization and Carroll V. Brauer, instructor.

A new reading room has just been fitted up in one of the north rooms of the building and the following periodicals are received regularly and used for reference in the different classes of the school: Art and Archaeology, National Geographic Magazine, The Independent, The Nation's Business, The Literary Digest, Journal of Education, Good Housekeeping Magazine, The World's Work, Normal Instructor, The School Review, Popular Mechanics, Scientific American, The Bookman, The School Arts Magazine, School Science and Mathematics, Oregon Teachers' Monthly, The Oregonian, The Gresham Outlook.

Since the close of the football season basketball is claiming the attention of many of the students. Games have been arranged between classes and other organizations. The last great game was between the Senior-Sophomore and Junior-Sophomore and Junior-Freshman girls' teams which resulted in a score of 18 to 11 in favor of the former.

The enrollment has reached 177 students. Miss Edna Benson of Lincoln High school, Seattle, Washington, and A. F. Steincamp of Aumsville, Marion county, Ore., are our recent recruits. The former is a member of the junior class and the latter a member of the freshman class.

Sixty students are now enjoying

free transportation. The Orient bus carries 18 students. There are three automobiles used in transportation of students from Powell Valley and one each from the other districts except Gresham, No. 4. This method of transportation makes a rural high school a success and suggests the enlargement of the Union district and consolidation of grade schools of the county.

Our school has furnished Uncle Sam's army and navy with the following students:

Forrest Arnold, Albert Camp, Wilson Eastman, Geo. Clark, Emerson Brown, Alton Lovelace, Clark Stillions, Roy Olsen, Gerry Reynolds, Walter Metzger, Edward Noreen, Leslie St. Clair, Isaac Anderson, Eldridge McCulloch, Thomas Parker and George W. Clark. The different classes of which these boys were members have remembered them recently by letters and boxes containing suitable gifts.

The commercial department of the school is proving quite popular this year. The third term typewriting students are working hard to pass the Remington Gold Medal Test before next semester. From present indications they can easily make it.

The second year shorthand class has scored one hundred words a minute on Burke's Conciliation with the Colonies. (Practice matter.) This means that by persistent effort on the part of the pupils, Union High School may be able to furnish a few applicants for the Civil Service examination in June.

The Juniors will entertain themselves this evening at a party given in the domestic art rooms. The lunch will be in accordance with Hoover's plan of sacrifice.

A new subject will be taught next semester for which credit will be given—War Study. A class will be formed by those wishing to follow the progress of the present war and they will study the cause of the war, modern methods of warfare, governments of countries engaged in the war, generals of prominence and other public men, etc.

A new book entitled "Heart to Heart Talks to Teachers," will be published by Principal Elmer F. Goodwin of the high school in the near future. It will contain inspirational lectures or talks to teachers heretofore given at teachers' institutes and used in his class in pedagogy.

GODSPEED THE SOLDIER BOYS TO VICTORY

By MRS. P. ANDERSEN.

Columbia Heights, Dec. 9.—Editor Outlook:—A year has passed since we wrote to the Christmas edition of the Outlook and the hopes we then fostered that the war would be over by this time have now vanished; instead, we are preparing the pride of the nation, our soldier boys, for the great battlefields in Europe. And all we can do is to wish them Godspeed. May they return safely with honor and victory. We feel sure that the words that General Pershing spoke to the soldiers over in France, which were printed in the Journal a few days ago cannot but help to encourage and inspire the soldiers to conduct themselves with honor to their country. The last year has seen much suffering among mankind, the destruction and devastation of homes and fertile fields. Many are the prayers to be sent heavenward my millions of unfortunates to bless Uncle Sam for coming to their rescue and may the Christmas bells ring out as never before, "Peace! Peace on Earth, good will to man," and may it echo in the hearts of all transgressors and make them see and realize their sins and wrongs against humanity.

Columbia Heights has seen a more prosperous year than the 1917, but we must not complain. The late crops were fine and pasture for the stock has held out better this year than many previously. A few sales of land and homes have gone on record, a few in and around this locality to be mentioned. Mrs. G. Holmes Lawrence of Portland closed a sale last Friday for the purchase of one acre of land from P. Andersen at \$1000, for the purpose of making a summer home in the future. Mrs. Lawrence has a beautiful view from her place of the river and all the snowcapped mountains. Geo. Chamberlain has erected a neat little home and store building here, and has built up a dandy trade. Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Davids, of Portland, bought fifteen acres on the highway from Mr. Leader and have started a home there. The Columbia Telephone company has also bought a site on the highway and are now building a new telephone office. E. Chamberlain has just sold his place to his son, Bert Chamberlain, for the sum of \$4000, and E. Chamberlain purchased the home of George Dressel at Springdale. Mr. and Mrs. E. Chamberlain will make this little attractive place their future home. W. Evans enlarged his ranch last summer by buying the 30-acre place of George Chamberlain and raised this year about forty acres of potatoes. Several silos have been built this year and quite a lot of improvement has been planned for the near future. Much has already been said about the Ehrman place, which has added greatly in value to the surroundings here. It is a mansion of the old English type, and has cost thousands of dollars. So in short we may say that this part of eastern Multnomah ranks among the progressive hamlets.

A few more of the young men from this side the Sandy have enlisted and are, George and Lewis Nelson, sons of Mr. and Mrs. C. Nelson, near the Sandy bridge; Byron Bell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Grant Bell of Springdale, who already has one son in France, and George Burba, of Pleasant View. Hurrah for these boys! They have lots of pep in them and will help Uncle Sam to win the war.

The Red Cross workers have done lots of work for the Red Cross since last July. We now have sixty members and meet every two weeks at the old schoolhouse. The last dance given here at Becker's hall Thanksgiving evening netted us \$105 and the one in June netted \$225, that makes \$330 that have been turned into headquarters from the Corbett auxiliary, which speaks well for our little hamlet. I am afraid my letter will be too long, else I could mention other things of interest to the readers of the Outlook.

I wish a merry Christmas and a happy New Year to the editor of the Outlook and his family and to all the readers of the home paper.

Gratitude is not expressed in stuffing yourself with Christmas goodies, but by works. If God has been good to you, you must be good to somebody else or you are as selfish as a hog, and ungrateful as a hyena.

Read the Want ads.

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION TO HOLD MYSTERY PARTY

A committee of the officers of the Alumni Association met somewhere in Gresham on Tuesday evening and made plans for the mid-winter meeting of the association, which will be held Saturday evening, December 29. The coming meeting will be a departure from the usual form followed on such occasions.

It will be a mystery party, and all members of the association are cordially invited to come. The merry-makers will assemble at the home of Laura and Mabel Shipley, on South Roberts avenue, at 8 p. m. sharp. At 8:30 the doors will close and all who have not arrived at the house will be left out of the rest of the evening's program of mystery. An interesting program has been prepared, and it behooves everyone to be prompt. More mystery, the names of those who met to formulate these plans cannot be divulged, nor will any hint as to the party be given.

LET US REMAIN BUSY IN TIMES OF UNREST

To the readers of the Patriotic number of the Gresham Outlook. Greetings:—

In these hours of tension and unrest let us be so busy being true that we'll find no time to be unkind. Let us be so busy doing right that other's wrongs we'll only find time to help make right.

And in the words of Daniel Webster: Let our object be our country, our whole country, and nothing but our country, and by the blessing of God, may that country itself become a vast and splendid monument, not of oppression and terror, but of wisdom, of peace, and of liberty, upon which the world may gaze with admiration forever.

A. J. WARE,
Pastor Baptist Church.

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OLD FORD AGENCY HOLDING PRESTIGE

Raker & Son's Ford agency and garage in Gresham is holding its former prestige under its new management. There has been a continuation of the demand for the popular auto and new machines are being delivered without delay as fast as orders are taken.

The workshop equipment has been increased and is busy on repair work. The vulcanizing plant under the supervision of Mr. Campbell is the only one east of Portland and its work is first-class.

Every class of repair work is done on short notice and at lowest prices, while all the standard tires may be had upon selection. Ford parts are a specialty.

Constable Squire was taken ill on Monday evening with threatened pneumonia. He is some better today and hopes to be out before the end of the week.

McGUGIN FARM CHANGES HANDS

What is known as the Henry McGugin farm, lately owned by Shipley Bros., has been purchased by Thomas McGuire and Guy Mathews, of Portland. The farm is located on the Sandy river near Bull Run, contains 140 acres and is all tillable. It is considered one of the finest developed farms in northern Clackamas county. While the price of the farm was not made public it is supposed to have been around \$10,000. The deal was made through the office of Krider & Elkington, at Gresham.

Walter T. McGuirk and C. G. Schneider have formed a law partnership and will maintain offices in Gresham and Portland. The Portland office is in rooms 412-13-14 Fenton building, Sixth street near Stark. When Mr. Schneider leaves for the front Mr. McGuirk will arrange to keep both offices open.