

CAMPAIGN FOR ARMENIAN AND SYRIAN RELIEF

Apparently not many people realized the importance of the meeting held in Reguer's hall last Friday evening in the interest of Armenian and Syrian relief, or more would have been on hand to hear the very remarkable address of Dr. M. B. Papazian of Fresno, California, who is now making a speaking tour of Oregon.

The story which Dr. Papazian told of the terrible suffering of the inhabitants of those unfortunate countries, awakened in all who heard him a desire to do all they possibly could to in some measure send them relief.

The work of sending funds has been carried on systematically for some time and each state and section of the country has its organization under which the funds are handled. The national committee has for its officers men of marked ability and national reputation. The Oregon committee has for its honorary chairman, Governor Withycombe. J. J. Handsaker is Oregon secretary and Ben Selling treasurer.

Mr. Selling forwarded this week a check for \$10,000. The money is being kept constantly on the move as time is an important factor in helping these people.

A week will soon be set apart for carrying on the drive in this state for Armenian and Syrian relief. The local field will be thoroughly organized and canvassed and it is hoped that Gresham will do her share fully and gladly in this matter as she has done in the case of every other appeal.

On being questioned recently as to how he knew that the money raised for this fund really goes to Armenia, Ben Selling said:

"How do I know this money goes to Armenia?" "I know it for a number of reasons, any one of which is sufficient. In the first place that name," and he indicated Cleveland H. Dodge, "that name stands, both nationally and internationally, for honor and integrity. Mr. Dodge is not only treasurer of this fund but also of the \$35,000,000 Y. M. C. A. war fund. It is unthinkable that a man of this type would be careless or indifferent in the manner of dispensing this fund."

"President Wilson has unlimited confidence that this money gets there or he would not have sent a special appeal to the American people to pour their funds into this committee's hands."

"The Red Cross gives \$300,000 a month to this committee, and they are in position to know that the money is properly used."

"Our checks go at once to New York, and, with the approval of the State Department in Washington, D. C., are cashed by a firm of Swiss bankers who, in turn, send them to the members of the American legation who are still in Constantinople but who are attached to the Swedish Embassy. Under the direction of these Americans, the funds are distributed through United States Consuls and American missionaries located at different points in Turkey, Syria, Greece and Southern Russia, wherever the unfortunate Armenians, Syrians, and Greeks are found. This money will not leave American hands until it is spent in the markets of Egypt or Asia Minor, for supplies. This money is collected in Portland without a cent of overhead. There is no overhead in New York, and the agents who distribute our relief, American consuls and missionaries, are paid either by the government or their respective churches."

"I have the same confidence that this money will be honestly and wisely used as if I placed the food itself in the hands of these starving children."

TWO REPUBLICANS ON BOTH TICKETS

John Brown, republican candidate for justice of the peace of Multnomah district, and M. M. Squire, aspirant for the office of constable again, have both received the republican and democratic nominations.

Both men had their names on the republican primary ballot for their respective offices and had no opposition but were hardly expecting to receive the democratic endorsement.

Very soon after the primary election was held it was announced that Ben Rollins had been renominated by the democrats for justice, but when John Brown received official notice yesterday of his nomination on the democratic ticket that report was found to be a mistake.

Real War Service.

E. W. Hornung, the novelist, is working in a Y. M. C. A. but close to the front line on the Western front.

Labor and material are essential to victory; use both sparingly.

War Savings Stamps save lives.

POMONA FIRST TO BUY NEXT BOND

VERY SLIGHT DECREASE IN MEMBERSHIP

Grange Membership.	
Columbia Grange	49
Evening Star Grange	173
Fairview Grange	50
Gresham Grange	96
Lents Grange	103
Multnomah Grange	66
Pleasant Valley Grange	62
Rockwood Grange	48
Russellville Grange	102
Woodlawn Grange	38
	787

Grange membership in Multnomah county shows a slight decrease during the past three months, according to the reports from the secretaries of the ten subordinates at the session of Pomona District Grange, held at Fairview on Wednesday of this week. Three months ago the membership stood at 799. It now stands at 787. There have been some fluctuations during the quarter but the total loss of twelve members was all charged to Rockwood grange, where that many were suspended for non-payment of dues. Some of these will probably be reinstated. On the whole the membership is not discouraged, as there is always a steady roll of members who are loyal to the order and have no thought of lapsing.

Greetings From California.

The session on Wednesday was equally as good as the generality of such meetings, but was not so largely attended as they usually are in the granges near the city. The number who took dinner at noon was 256, and probably 50 more attended the afternoon session.

Greetings were received from the Santa Clara, Cal., Pomona. The courtesy was returned by instructions to the secretary to that effect. A. F. Miller attended the Santa Clara grange early this year and was pleased to find that the Multnomah Pomona is considered in California as the best one in Oregon.

Pomona Given Credit.

Advices received from all over Oregon give Multnomah Pomona the credit for saving the state from the disgrace of the Non-Partisan league. At the March session a resolution protesting against the league becoming affiliated with the grange was adopted and a copy was sent to every subordinate grange in Oregon. It had its effect in the state grange when the same resolution was adopted there.

However, the victory was not an easy one. It had been reported that there were but three votes in opposition to the resolution when it was brought up for final passage, and such was the case. But the real test came before that on a motion to amend the resolution in favor of the league, when the vote stood 69 for the original resolution to 51 for amending it. When the opponents had lost adoption of the resolution was made unanimous for the "sake of harmony," but the test vote shows how narrow the escape was and how many misguided followers of State Master Spence were chosen as delegates to the state grange. Pomona's delegate to the state grange, R. W. Gill, made a lengthy report of the disgraceful manipulations of the state grange ring and its desperate efforts to commit the grange of Oregon to further affiliation with the Non-Partisan bolshevik of politics.

Drainage District Encouraged.

Several resolutions were read at the Pomona session on Wednesday among them being one that is of the greatest importance to the agricultural interests of the county. The statement was made that the slough drainage project is to come before United States Engineer Col. Zinns on June 25, and the resolution was adopted after it was shown that the agricultural interests on the Columbia slough would be irreparably injured if a waterway should be constructed. The boat channel project-

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You may not be able to fight, but you can save and buy War Savings Stamps.

GRANGE SPIRIT IS SHOWN IN RESOLUTIONS

ors, it was declared, were asking that a waterway be opened the entire distance of about 18 miles and that the cost would be excessive. It is said to be their plan to get an appropriation from the U. S. government, from the state of Oregon, from the port of Portland and then to tax a large district for the remainder—amounting to a large sum. It was argued that a boat channel is of less importance than the reclamation of about 7500 acres of land which the owners are ready to reclaim at their own expense. Following is the resolution:

Whereas, The Multnomah Drainage District, No. 1, proposes to reclaim approximately 7500 acres of the richest agricultural land in Oregon which is located at an average distance of more than five miles from the city of Portland, transforming the area from short-season pasture land to an intensive dairy and vegetable gardening district, and

Whereas, the development of this area, which has a large percentage of cleared land, will immediately and materially increase food production. Resolved, That Multnomah District Pomona grange request the United States War Department to give careful consideration and take rapid action in granting the request of the supervisors of the aforesaid drainage district.

Referred to the Subordinates.

The following resolution regarding the standardization of produce was taken up, it having been referred from the March meeting. After discussion it was further referred to the subordinate granges of the county and will come up again at the September session of Pomona:

Whereas, the problem of marketing the farmers produce to the best advantage is of the utmost importance to the producer; and

Whereas, one of the chief difficulties in the way of proper marketing is the fact that very few farmers properly standardize their products before taking the same to market, thus leaving the standardization thereof to be done by the merchant who buys the same; and

Whereas, such practice tends to largely reduce the price received by the farmer, he thus, indirectly, being obliged to pay the expense of standardizing the produce by the commission merchant or other person who buys the same, and we believe even more than that in the reduced price caused by such mingling of the good and the bad; and

Whereas, we believe that all produce should be standardized before offering the same for sale, and in such a way that the same would be properly graded or standardized and the farmer receive the full price, which under the present plan is little more than waste to him.

Resolved, Be it Resolved by Multnomah Pomona grange in regular quarterly session assembled, that it is the sense of this grange that a proper standard be adopted for the grading of the principal articles of produce grown on the farm, and that each and every farmer be urged to so grade or standardize his produce before offering the same for sale.

Helping the Prune Grower.

What was designated as a "prune" resolution was read and adopted, provided that the statements contained therein are yet true. It was thought by some that the complaint had been overcome by recent action. It reads as follows:

Whereas, the Pacific Coast states of Washington, Oregon and California are great fruit raising states and

Whereas, one of the standard crops placed upon the market by all three states for a number of years has been dried prunes and

Whereas, the dried product of Oregon and Washington have been acclaimed by many to be equal, if not superior, to the California dried fruit, and

Whereas, there has been a recent report of government discrimination, the California dried prunes having been priced at an advance of 4 cents above those of the Northwest, therefore be it

Resolved, by Pomona grange this 19th day of June, 1918 in session assembled at Fairview, Oregon, that we do hereby protest against any discrimination whatsoever.

Resolved, that we pledge our allegiance and undivided support to our Government in all its undertakings and be it further

Resolved, that we communicate with Senator McNary at Washington in regard to apparent discrimination and urge that he co-operate with the proper officials in bringing about a more equal distribution of war trade.

George W. Wickersham, former Attorney General of the United States, says: "Business as usual means waste as usual."

Carco spray for maggot on cabbage, beets, turnips, radishes, etc. All sizes at L. L. Kidder Hdw. Co.

Thrive by thrift.

SPEECHES AND SONGS SHOW PATRIOTISM

Laid Out of Sight.

A resolution which savored too much of politics was introduced at the March session. It was written by Judge W. N. Gatens and referred without debate for one meeting. All the grangers seemed to balk at it, principally for the reason that it threatened the direct primary law. When read again at Fairview it was indefinitely postponed without any argument. It follows:

Whereas, the public should play no part in the selection of public officers, where men are often selected because of their party designations rather than for their fitness to fulfill the duties required of them. Therefore be it

Resolved, that we favor the election of all state and county officers because of their ability to fill same, and for the removal of party designation after the names of all candidates for state and county officers at all elections in this state.

Opposes Zone Postage.

A communication was read from Columbia grange memorializing Pomona to protest against the zone postal law relating to the newspaper postage; and requesting that the Oregon congressional delegation be so informed. The request was granted and the secretary instructed to act accordingly.

Patriotic Entertainment.

Pomona grange was richly entertained on Wednesday by two distinguished speakers. Mrs. F. S. Meyers of Portland spoke on household economics and distributed war-cooking recipes for making of bread and other pastries without the use of wheat flour.

J. W. Palmer, a returned Y. M. C. A. secretary from Portland, who had been all over England, France and Scotland, and had but recently been sent to his home in Portland, gave an interesting talk of nearly an hour's length. He told the grangers that we of America don't know what war means here; that here there is plenty of almost everything, and many people are not denying themselves anything. In the British Isles all fare alike and Americans should be doing what England and Scotland are doing in the way of food conservation.

England and Scotland began three years late and were caught unprepared. He believes that all men between 18 and 50 should be wearing the insignia of government employ, and the sooner the better. He predicts that this will come about within a year.

Mr. Palmer says he never heard of an American soldier in France who grumbled or made a disloyal statement, and that they won't come home until their job is finished. They should have been in France two years sooner. The speaker gave a tribute to the colored soldiers who, it seems, are finding their place in the American army, although many of them suffer from the climate.

Claims First Honor.

Pomona grange will easily carry off the banner for being the first to subscribe to the fourth liberty loan. A motion was carried instructing the treasurer of the grange to buy a fifty-dollar bond of the next issue, which it is stated will come in October. Pomona grange thus expresses its patriotism and the loyalty of its members. The vote to buy a bond was unanimous when the suggestion was made that the state of the treasury would justify the purchase.

In Memoriam.

Tributes were spoken in memory of the late Mrs. E. S. Jenne and Mrs. Jane G. Buckman, two valued members who have passed away within the past few weeks. Mrs. F. H. Lehman spoke feelingly of Mrs. Jenne, with whom she had been associated in grange and other philanthropic work. J. J. Johnson, master of Pomona gave the tribute of the grange to the life and services of Mrs. Buckman as a granger prominent in life and works.

Sings Flag Songs.

Pomona grange claims the origi-

Aids Discharged Soldiers.

Discharged soldiers in England are given a course in poultry farming and market gardening on property loaned to the Y. M. C. A. near London.

Protect your soldiers with your savings.

We are badly in need of a fence stretcher. Will parties who borrowed our please return at once as we are badly in need of it. L. L. Kidder Hdw. Co.

Tailoring For men and women—cleaning, pressing and repairing done well. Peter Lenard, Powell street.

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FIELD DAY AND OTHER FEATURES

nal singer of flag songs. Five years ago, or perhaps longer, Mrs. Mary Pollock, a member of Russellville grange, surprised the assembly by appearing with an American flag and singing an appropriate flag song which she had picked up somewhere. Since then there has never been a session of Pomona or other notable grange gatherings in this county in which she has not appeared in a similar role—and always with a new song or two.

The surprising part of her performance is that she takes up any flag poem clipped from a newspaper, adapts it to a tune of her own and sings it. Her voice is a clear soprano and she sings without music. Every word is clearly distinguished and is accompanied by gestures or waving of the flag. Her repertoire is inexhaustible, especially at this time when so many flag songs are being published.

She seemed to have a presentiment years ago that her remarkable talent would some day be recognized—which it is now more so than ever. The war has been her opportunity and she would easily sway any audience even as she impresses the grangers, with her real sincerity and patriotism.

Grange Day at Gladstone.

Announcement was made in Pomona that Friday, July 12, will be grange day at the Gladstone Chautauqua. The whole day will belong to the grange and the exercises will be under the auspices of the Woman's grange club.

Uniform Exhibits.

Mrs. Edith T. Weathered, one of the directors of the Multnomah county fair, gave a short talk on the prospects of a full grange exhibit this year in which every grange in the county will probably take a part. She informed the members that there will be a uniformity of canned goods in the grange booths and that all decorations will be of agricultural products, and nothing of a professional nature.

Grange Field Day.

The general committee of three members from each subordinate grange met at one o'clock in the grange hall to take action regarding the coming grange field day, which had previously been set for Saturday, July 27. J. J. Johnson was made chairman and S. B. Hall secretary.

These two were appointed to secure one or more prominent speakers. Mrs. Anna Patton, of Woodlawn grange, was designated musical instructor and Mrs. Jennie Kronenberg as musician. It was given out that the Red Cross of Gresham would serve coffee at the cafeteria on the fair grounds, where the exercises are to be held. Everyone is expected to provide a lunch for himself and visiting friends. All persons are to be made welcome, as the day is not intended for grangers alone, but for everybody.

The entire committee was instructed to meet again next Sunday at the fair grounds when the working committees will be named and given their assignments. A chorus of 100 voices will be selected and after a few rehearsals will furnish the singing for the occasion.

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BUY A WAR STAMP AND WIN THE WAR

The National War Savings Committee, which is carrying on, through its state and local committees, a nationwide campaign to get all the people on or before June 28 to pledge themselves to save to the utmost of their ability and to buy War Savings Stamps with their savings, has given out the following statement:

"Those of us who remain at home while others do the fighting have an ever-increasing number of opportunities to do definite and highly important work for our country. We wish to do this work as an expression of the gratitude we feel in being privileged to continue at our usual tasks, to enjoy the loving companionship of our families, to meet freely with our friends and neighbors, to enjoy all the security of life and most of the pleasures and the economic privileges of peace times while other men, who have had to put aside all these things, are fighting our battles for us on the sacred soil of France and on the high seas.

"Our new opportunity to serve comes as a result of designating June 28 as National War Savings Day, a day on which all men and women and all children of sufficient years to appreciate the day's significance are called upon to pledge themselves to save to the utmost of their ability and to conserve all possible labor and materials for the government, and to buy War Savings Stamps with their savings. Our part is to do everything possible to make this day stand out among the great days of this period of war.

"Could any one of us be asked to do less than this? Could any one of us refuse to do so little a thing to win a war for the world's freedom? Could any one of us put aside this plea for saving while all Europe is crying out in its agony to be released from the clutches of the monster that is befouling all it touches? Could we refuse so simple a thing and at the same time ask other men to give their lives that our own precious lives be spared and our firesides be kept safe from the terrors of the Hun?

"Our duty is clear, our privilege is great, our sacrifice is little, our work is important.

"National War Savings Day is to be the great rallying day on which everyone in our country is expected to pledge himself or herself to save and economize. This saving and economizing will first of all leave in the markets a greater supply of labor and materials for the use of the government with which to fight the war. And then the money savings of the individuals are to be invested in War Savings Stamps.

"What the government asks us to do is to pledge ourselves to buy at definite periods with our savings a specific amount of War Savings Stamps. The thing to be accomplished is to get subscriptions which will take care during the balance of the present year of the unsold portion of the \$2,000,000,000 of War Savings Stamps authorized by the Congress to be sold during 1918.

"When one stops to think of the matter, it is really a small thing to raise \$2,000,000,000 in a country of more than 100,000,000 people. If everyone would do his share, it would be necessary for each person to subscribe to only \$20 worth of stamps.

"The duty of us at home is to see to it that the entire amount is subscribed. We must work to that end. We must add to our already great army of war savers. We must make more sacrifices ourselves and urge sacrifices upon others. National War Savings Day must be made the great success all of us hope for."

RED CROSS THANKED FOR AMBULANCE CUSHION

Mrs. Geo. W. Stapleton, chairman of the Gresham Red Cross auxiliary, has received the following expression of appreciation from Herbert Hoss for a gift sent by the local auxiliary:

Camp Lewis, Wash., June 18. My dear Mrs. Stapleton:—Received the ambulance cushion, and wish to thank you, and the other ladies who are so kind to us.

It certainly makes one feel pretty good to know that the home folks are always thinking of us.

We expect to leave the latter part of this week. Hoping to be able to be in Gresham again in the near future, I remain,

Sincerely yours, HERBERT HOSS.