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HOOD RIVER IS PREPARING

ALL INTERESTS BACK FOOD PLANS

City and Valley Folk do Their Bit Toward Feeding the World—Brumbaugh's Talk Patriotic

All the people of the city and valley of Hood River evidence an intense cooperation in carrying out the plans inaugurated here the first of last week by the O.-W. R. & N. Co. and the Oregon Agricultural College. And the Apple Valley residents are doing more than talk. Rarely today can a traveler over the Hood River streets find a vacant lot that is not under cutlivation. With a patriotic fervor, the ranchers of the valley are studying the situation and are engaged on plans for the increased acreage of such staples as beans and potatoes. It is likely that the food production of the Hood River valley the coming spring and summer will be increased five fold.

While the sudden spring shower tended to limit the attendance, the valley never had two more enthusiastic meetings than were held last Frday night, one at Pine Grove and the other in this city at Library hall under the auspices of the food preparedness campaign committee, composed of Mrs. W. L. Clark, Mrs. J. K. Carson, J. O. McLaughlin, Dr J. W. Sifton and C. C. Cuddeford. Mrs. Clark presided. Both meetings were attended by Rev. E. H. Longbrake and County School Superintendent Gibson.

The first speaker on the local program, Rev. Longbrake, gave the meeting a "pep" that lasted until the hall was vacated.

"I have never been more enthused over an idea," said Mr. Longbrake, "than by this of food preparedness. In my mind it has given us a solution of the boy problem. How many boys of the country appear at their homes just to sit down and eat the meals provided. It is time that they considered where the food came from and how it is provided. This movement is enlisting their cooperation. There will be no more idleness. They have been given an opportunity to aid in plans of the nation."

T. D. Calkins, who has had 20 years of experience in gardening in the Hood River valley, was present at the Friday night meeting, and volunteered his service in directing gardening or doing whatever else he could toward bringing to success the general Hood River plans. Mr. Calkins offers to cooperate with the Agricultural College in furnishing charts that will be of inestimable value to local gardeners.

The fears of those who have expressed an opinion that Hood River may not have sufficient water to irrigate all the gardens that will be planted were allayed by City Water Superintendent Price.

"We will have water a plenty," said Mr. Price, "provided we conserve what we have. Our spring affords us with 1,000,000 gallons of water a day. We have in Hood River approximately 2,500 people. You see that we have plenty of water, if we save it. But too many of the patrons of the Hood River water system have through carelessness been allowing the water to go to waste."

Mr. Price announced plans of the city to inspect the water system of every home in town. He stated that all wastage would be stopped, and assured his hearers that water a plenty would be provided for irrigation, if the users would only co-operate with the department.

Prof. McLaughlin told of the work that has been done by the agricultural class of the high school. Every available bit of cultivable ground has been listed, and charts have been prepared. A survey of what Hood River will be able to produce has been made by the agricultural students.

Mr. McLaughlin told of the possible work that could be done in outlying rural districts. "We want a similar committee in every district," he said, "similar to that in the city. Our local committee is not one in authority over other community committees. We have simply endeavored to get the general plans started."

Hood River people have never heard a more patriotic address than that delivered by Prof. Brumbargh, of the Oregon Agricultural College, chief speaker at the local meeting last Friday night.

"Although I am of pure Teutonic blood," said the Agricultural College man, "I cannot bring mysef to recognize or feel a particle of sympathy for the despotism that now holds sway in Germany. My parents, as well as myself were born in America, but because of my German ancestry I feel that I have a right to speak as I am going to on the great crisis that Germany is causing the world to confront today.

"We are facing an unparallelled situation. Battle is no longer a question of sentiment. We must measure ourselves and take measure of our foe. I wonder if we have correctly done either. For the younger generation it is almost impossible to conceive of a war. The old men and women who remember the Civil War heed the cry of the times more readily than we younger people.

"Although the cradle place of liberty was among the Teutonic peoples, we see those very peoples today victims of the most despotic goverment that ever existed. The German government is no longer a people but an army under the helm of the Kaiser, the most despotic organization in all history, a despotism unlike anything we have ever considered, for it has arisen not out of the ignorance of the ruled but because of the application of scientific education.

"Today we are facing the proposition of losing the power of international law and natural law on which the former rules are based. These rules cease to exist for the Germans, who have applied organized efficiency to all their activities. It is truly said, and on good authority, that the German nation has forgotten God. Democracy is at stake. If we of America believe that a God is reigning, then we must recognize our moral obligation to join with the allies in crushing this German despotism.

"We are confronted here in America today with the task of saving the life of Europe. Their surplus of foods have all been used up. It is up to this country to make the greatest effort possible and furnish these food supplies. We must plant more staples. From the owner of a city lot to the man who owns vast acres, a close cooperation must be expected. It is essential that this great task be commenced at once.

"Here in America, which has been called the melting pot of the world, we are in need of something that will bring us together. By this war we are given an opportunity of repaying our honest debts. Can we forget France and LaFayette and the sacrifices that was made by them when we were fighting for our independence? We have the finest of opportuities of binding to us by ties that will in the future prevent their making war on us, those nations of Europe fighting for their very life. We will fight for the maintenance of our own honor and principles."

Prof. Brumbaugh reached a climax in his patriotic address, when he described patriotism. He called the names of Washington and Lincoln and told how they offered their services unselfishly, how they were actuated not for personal aggrandizement but for love of country.

"And that," he said, "is patriotism —the love of home and country. It is your love of Hood River that makes you patriotic, and ready to answer the call to mobilize foods that will feed the boys we send to the front and to help feed the nations across the seas."

Oak Grove, Dee and Barrett representatives were present. Meetings will be held in Oak Grove and Dee tomorrow night for the purpose of forming committees similar to that in charge of plans for this city.

The meeting was opened by Mrs. C. O. Huelat, who sang, "Rallly Round the Flag, Boys."

A. PATREAU WILL RETURN TO FRANCE

Armand Patreau, Jr., who has been here spending a furlough from the French trenches with his parents in the Middle Valley, will leave Saturday to return to France to join his regiment The young French soldier, wearing his drab blue uniform and helmet, creating a wide spread attention, was in Portland last week to see the French counsul and endeavor to obtain an extension. Young Patreau stated that he would like to join the proposed division of Col. Roosevelt, who desires to participate in active service in Europe. But the leave was not granted, and the soldier boy will go back to fight under the Lily of France.

While in Portland the French infantryman visited the Multnomah county court house to find records of a divorce that had been granted his wife a year after he left for the front.

Ironically enough, the charge was "desertion," and the man who had gone to his duty smiled grimly as he recalled that his wife and he had talked the matter over before he left, and that she had agreed that he should go to fight for his flag. Oddly enough, Judge Gatens, the man who had married them on October 10, 1912, was the judge who granted the decree of divorce.

MAKE IT UNANIMOUS!

SPENCE'S LECTURES ARE PERFUNCTORY

With about 70 ranchers of the Oak Grove and Barrett orchard district present Monday night at the Park grange hall at the initial meeting E. C. Spence, master of the Oregon State Gange, began a series of six meetings that he plans to hold this week at different valley points for the purpose of delivering lectures in opposition to the proposed $6,000000 road bonding act. With representative members of the local granges declaring that the numbers of their organization opposed to the road bonding act are negligible, the meetings of Mr. Spence are creating but a minor interest.

While Monday night's meeting was of a perfunctory nature, the statements of the state grange master were replied to and his argument challenged by County School Superintendent Gibson and Roy D. Smith, the latter a prominent member of Park grange, both of whom made short talks following the lecture of Mr. Spence.

HENRY C. McGUIRE IS BURIED HERE

The funeral services of the late Henry C. McGuire, who passed away Saturday in Salem was conducted Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the First Unitarian church, Rev. H. A. McDonald officiating.

Mr. McGuire who, had he lived, would have celebrated his 42nd birthday next Saturday, was born at McMinnville, Yamhill county. He came to Hood River in 1892, and with his brother, W. B. McGuire was engaged here for more than 13 years in the meat market business. In 1915 Mr. McGuire moved to Baker, removing from there to Portland a year ago.

Mr. McGuire is survived by his widow and an only son, Leslie. His mother, Mrs. Maria McGuire, spends the summer months in this city and resides during the winter at Salem or other Willamette valley points.

In addition to the local brother eight other brothers and sisters survive Mr. McGuire. They are: Mrs. Laura Baldwin of this city; Huner C. McGuire of Chesaw, Wash.; Geo. H. McGuire, of Colfax, Wash.; Chas. C. McGuire, of Spokane, Wash.; Arthur B. McGuire, of Thornton, Wash.; Grant U. McGuire, of Westburn; Mrs. Clara D. Wolchlegel, of Laurel, and Mrs. Anna B. Lewis, of Zion City, Ill.

Land Sales Fund Apportioned

Secretary of State Olcott has apportioned among the counties of the state the $4530, five per cent of the total, received last year from sale of public lands. Hood River received $25.73. The fund is apportioned according to acreage.

SATURDAY IS RED CROSS DAY

MERCHANTS SHOW AN ENTHUSIASM

Mass Meeting, Heilbronner Hall, at Three O'clock—Address Will Be Delivered by W. W. Hush

A Red Cross rally will be held in Hood River Saturday afternoon at Heilbronner hall. The local chapter of the organization was perfected week before last, and as local people have learned the full significance of the Red Cross a keen interest is being manifested. Efforts will be made to recruit the membership of the local organization to a number in excess of 500. Committees have been appointed to carry on the work, and the Hood River Red Cross chapter will probably be one of the most enthusiastic of all the Apple Valley's patriotic organizations.

The Saturday afternoon meeting will be called at three o'clock. It is expected that the attendance will equal or surpass that of the recent partiotic meeting when the big hall was crowded to the very doors. The Red Cross work is today uppermost in the minds of the people of Hood River, and not only will the crowd be swelled by the people of the city, but valley residents as well will be present in force.

The chief address of the meeting will be made by W. W. Hush, assistant director of the Pacific Coast Division of the Red Cross. Mr. Hush, who is a forceful speaker, will tell just what the great organization is going to expect from Hood River.

Merchants of the city are falling in line, and windows of the business streets will be dressed with Red Cross displays.

The man or woman who remains away from town Saturday afternoon is going to miss an opportunity of having his feeling of loyalty to country and patriotism stirred profoundly. Pretty "first aid" girls in uniform will be seen on the streets.

Discussing the Red Cross chapter of this city, C. N. Ravlin, secretary of the chapter, says:

"We have all been more or less vaguely familiar with the Red Cross, but never has it been brought so directly to us. It is up to the 'stay-at-homes' to get behind this organization, as this is the most efficient and effective thing we can do. No field service is required of any of the members, but there will be plenty to do here at home.

"The Hood River Chapter, which was organized here two weeks ago, was the second chapter in the state, ranking next to Portland. During the past week a dozen other chapters were organized throughout the state and within a month Red Cross work will be under full headway all over the state.

"The American National Red Cross Society is the only oganization authorized by congress for relief work in war time or in national disaster. The president of the United States is president of the organization, and all accounts are audited directly by the war department."

Details of organization of the Hood River chapter are being rapidly completed by the executive committee. This committee consists of Leslie Butler, E. O. Blanchar, Dr. J. M. Waugh, Mrs. A. C. Lofts, E. R. Pooley and C. N. Ravlin.

The complete board of directors is composed of the above committee and the following:

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FIRST NATIONAL TO GET WAR BONDS

The First National Bank, according to Cashier Blanchar, has made application for a number of the bonds of the $7,000,000,000 war issue, of which Oregon's proportionate subscription should reach $5,000,000. Mr. Blanchar offers to take care of the applications of all local citizens who desire to participate in the floating of the great issue, and the banker has called on prospective purchasers to submit the specification of numbers and denominations of bonds desired.

The bonds will draw 3½ per cent interest.

Court Buys Mason Property

After futile negotiations lasting for over two years and an expenditure of over $300, it is said, for surveying, the county court has purchased from A. I. Mason a small tract of land, near the latter's East Side home, to be used in improving a road of the district. The county's purchase has been held up because of litigation existing between Mr. Mason and a neighbor, M. Dragseth, over a water course crossing the two places.

Numerous surveys have been made necessary by the county, for following the work of each crew of engineers all marks of survey were removed.