

POMONA

NEWS

Washington-Yamhill Pomona Grange

ARMISTICE DAY 2018

One Hundred Anniversary 1918- 2018

November 11, 2018 at 11:00am bells of peace will ring twenty-one times, like the twenty-one gun salute, in remembrance of Armistice Day. It was said at our Grange meeting, all through the world on November 11 at 11:00am Peace Bells would chime twenty-one times. The bell ringer would strike the bell once, let it ring until the chime died down and repeat the striking of the bell twenty more times, letting the ring die down before striking.

I could image the sound floating over the Columbia River George as they took part in the ceremony at Stonehenge. Standing on the windswept hillside near a replica of an ancient European monument. I imagined bells tolling in remembrance, when in reality some took part in the traditional twenty-one gun salute, such as the celebration at Stonehenge in England. It didn't matter, I wanted to hear the bells echoing across the Columbia River canyon.

I was wake and ready to go by 6:30am that morning. My car was packed and

had a full tank of gas. Oil was checked, my Subaru was ready to roll as I pulled in a few houses down to pick up the driver, who had just gotten up and started on his first cup of coffee. I had a slight sinking feeling as I realized I would miss the 9:30am opening ceremony.

An hour later we pulled out of Hillsboro traveling down Highway 26 into Portland. I felt I had a chance to at least hear the bells, but as we grew near the I-84 exit there in front of us loomed the "Ramp Closed" barricade. Traveling up further and winding our way through the streets of Portland I had this sinking feeling again. I may not make the ceremony at all, as I watched rows of stately homes and narrow streets pass by. An hour later we found our way onto I-84 and a head wind that sucked our tank of gas like a marathon runner given a bottle of water at the finish line.

The wind sent ripples down the trailers being hauled by semi-trucks, the driver of my car would let off the gas and we would instantly slow to a crawl. November 11, was a very windy day as we drove pass Corbett and the question was raised if I wanted to stop at the Vista House. Thankfully that was not on our itinerary that day. We continued driving east, pass sweeping falls and the hillside that just a year ago was a big ball of fire. Fighting every gust of wind we managed to stay in our lane as we passed other vehicles fighting their way east down I-84.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

2019

Pomona Grange Meetings

Begin 10:00am
Lunch \$5.00

*January 26, 2019- Scholls Grange

*April 27, 2019 - Leedy Grange

*July 27, 2019 - Forest Grove Grange

*October 26, 2019 - Aloha Grange

*January 25, 2020 - Hillsboro Grange

Good of the Order Meetings

Begin 10:00am
Hosting Grange to supply refreshments

*February 23, 2019 - Winona Grange

*May 25, 2019 - Dixie Mountain Grange

*September 21, 2019 - McMinnville Grange

*November 23, 2019 -Forest Grove Grange

*February 22, 2020 -Leedy Grange

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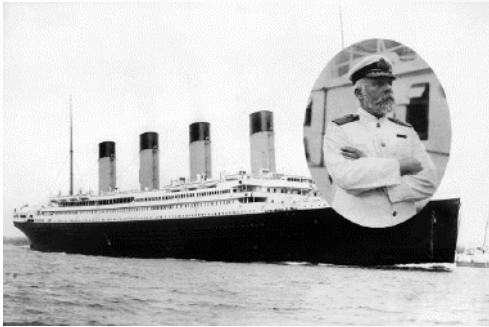
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AWAY WITH WORDS

TITANIC WAS CALLED THE "UNSINKABLE"

Passenger Mrs. Sylvia Caldwell is credited for saying
"God himself could not sink this ship!"

The Titanic sank in the Atlantic Ocean, April 15, 1912



"The War That Will End War"

H.G. Wells wrote in an article titled
"The War That Will End War,"

The phrase was quickly adopted as a slogan to explain
British and later American participation in the war.

The term became associated with **Woodrow Wilson**,
despite the fact that **Wilson** used the phrase only once.

Along with the phrase "**Make the world safe for
Democracy**"



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We saw very long freight trains running along the railroad tracks, of which I was thankful we didn't have to wait for them to pass; as the highway followed the tracks instead of the tracks crossing over. By 10:45am a very frustrated driver pulled off onto exit 197, an exit too soon, and made a left hand turn instead of a right hand turn.

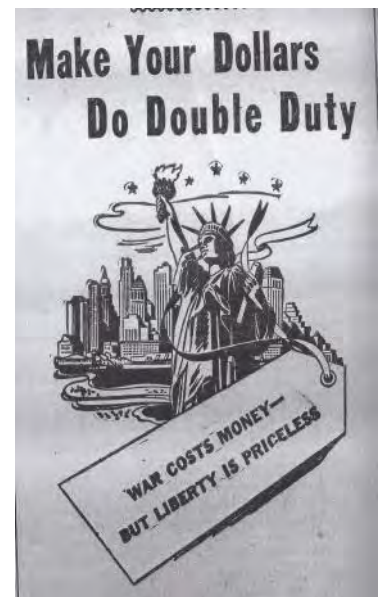
We drove through Lyle, Washington, and there right off the edge of the street, towering over the sidewalk, stood a building with a bold face headline: "Lyle Lions." Of course I had to roll those few words around on my tongue as we drove pass stopping at Bingen, Washington. There I spotted Sinclair Gas station. I missed the bells. I might as well get a photo of the dinosaur and some gas. After our little stop we turned around and headed toward Stonehenge.

Missing all the ceremonies the monument stood tall and empty in the fading afternoon sun. Flags waving in the wind, the great windmills that dotted the upper hillside quietly and gracefully swung their propellers along the sweeping barren landscape.

For the most part all was silent with the exception of the flags waving in the wind. A memorial wall caught my eye off in the distance. Standing isolated and alone tucked against a bank of dead dry grass; stood a polished wall with writing, surrounded by three cement pillars. As I grew closer, it became apparent as I stood in front of the memorial wall recognizing the local men who served in World War II, Korean War, Afghanistan and all the military branches.

It was there on the quiet windswept hills of the Columbia River George I realized

We haven't stopped fighting



PROCLAMATION

The United States World War One Centennial Commission developed a template for organizations to engage in the celebration by completing the template and singing it. In Oregon the only proclamation I located at this time was from Myrtle Creek.

Above advertisement to buy War Bonds copied from the July 1944 - Oregon State Grange Bulletin

AROUND THE NEIGHBORHOOD

YAMHILL COUNTY

McMinnville Grange #31

McMinnville Grange, reports that they are doing well. They meet the 2nd Tuesday of each month with a 5:30 potluck beforehand. They have a Farmers Market and Friday night dances.

Should you need to brush up on your dancing, McMinnville Grange now has dance lessons on Sundays and on Tuesdays they have "Line Dance" lessons.

McMinnville Grange was happy to report they have one new member.

Fernwood Grange

Rumor has it that the Oregon State Grange is interested in reorganizing Fernwood Grange in Newberg. Should you know of anyone interested in joining a local Grange in or around Newberg. Encourage them to contact the Oregon State Grange.

WASHINGTON COUNTY

Hillsboro Grange #73

Hillsboro Grange was kind enough to set up a very nice spread of goodies and warm the hall for the Good of the Order Meeting, November 24, 2018. Hillsboro Grange has made a lot of hall improvements and deserves our appreciation of the good stewardship and pride the members have taken toward the Grange hall.

Tigard Grange #148

Tigard Grange announced that they have grant money that they are looking forward to using toward fixing up the outside and their hall. As this newsletter goes to press, Tigard Grange is cleaning up after, what we hope, was a very successful Holiday Bazaar.

Winona Grange #271

Winona Grange announced that they had a nice turn out for the First Aid class. During the Fall Festival, Winona Grange held a ceremony to dedicate the Peace pole that was placed in front of their hall and the Grange donated dictionaries to the 3rd graders at M.I.T.C.H. Charter school.

Forest Grove Grange #282

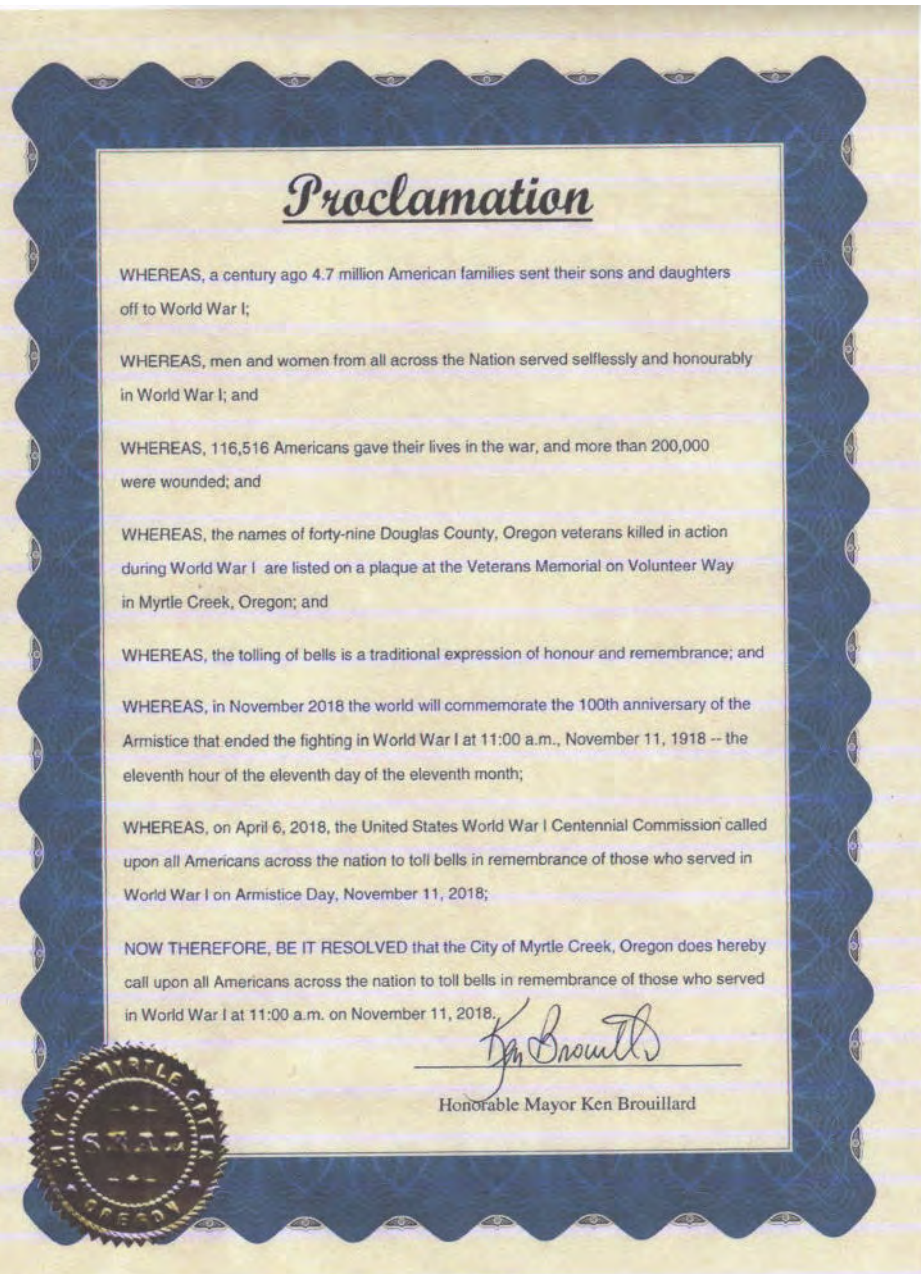
Forest Grove Grange announced that Jazzercise painted the upstairs hall and they have 450 dictionaries to donate to 3rd graders, as part of the "Words for Thirds" program.

Washington Grange #313

Washington Grange held an open house inviting the community to learn about the "Quilt Barn Trail" in July and in October - DEQ came out to lecturer about water quality.

Scholls Grange #338

Scholls Grange was the hosting Grange for the Pomona Picnic. The Grange also held an Ice Cream Social that day sponsored by Master, Sam Keator. The Ice Cream Social was a huge success. Scholls Grange also held another "Paint Night" in November. The Grange members are now working on a Pancake Breakfast, December 1, 2018. Doors will open at 8:00am. Breakfast will be served until noon. If you are out shopping for a Christmas tree December 1st, stop by and fuel up for the tree hunting adventure.





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Leedy Grange #339

Leedy Grange - has a new Sheriff in town - Mike Parent was elected Leedy's new Master for the ensuing term. Leedy's outgoing Master Savannah Parent has been awarded a scholarship and will be attending college full time. We wish Savannah our most heartfelt Best Wishes in her future endeavors!

PLEASE NOTE:

LEEDY Grange has a new meeting time:

6:00pm

2nd Saturday of each month

Kinton Grange #562

Kinton Grange - meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month starting at 6:00pm.

Aloha Grange #773

Aloha Grange - meets the 4th Thursday at 6:00pm.

Dixie Mountain Grange #860

Dixie Mountain Grange -

Meets the 1st Thursday

6:30 potluck

7:30 business meeting



Flag Etiquette

(Prepared by the National Committee of Patriotic Societies, Washington, D.C.)

When the colors are passing, the spectator, if a man, should halt if walking, arise if sitting and uncover, holding the headdress opposite the left shoulder with the right hand; if bare-headed, he should salute with the right hand. A woman should stand at attention as the Flag passes by.

When the Flag is waving from a stationary flagstaff or pole it is not saluted with the hand.

In decorating, the Flag should never be festooned or draped. Always hung flat. If hung with stripes horizontal, Union should be in upper left corner. If hung perpendicularly, Union should be at the right.

When the Flag is carried in parade, or when crossed with other flags, the Stars and Stripes should always be at the right.

The law specifically forbids the use of and representation of the Flag in any manner or in any connection with merchandise for sale.

The Flag should be raised at sunrise and lowered at sunset. It should not be displayed on stormy days or except when under fire of the enemy, left out overnight. Although there is no authoritative ruling which compels civilians to lower the Flag at sundown, good taste should impel them to follow the traditions of the Army and Navy in this sundown ceremonial. Primarily the Flag is raised to be SEEN, and secondly, the Flag is something to be guarded, treasured, and so tradition holds it shall not be menaced by the darkness.

On Memorial Day the Flag should be displayed at half-mast from sunrise until noon, and at the peak from noon until sunset. It should, on being retired never be allowed to touch the ground.

When the "Star Spangled Banner" is played or sung, uncover, stand and remain standing, IN SILENCE, until it is finished.

Applause at the conclusion of the "Star Spangled Banner" is out of place.

Worn-out and useless flags should be destroyed by burning.

A Flag torn or frayed by the wind and weather should never again be hoisted until it has been repaired. This is a regulation of both the Army and Navy and should also be followed by all civilians.

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IN FLANDERS FIELDS

In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset
glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we
lie

In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies
grow

In Flanders fields.

by John McCrae, May 1915



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Commentary on the Pledge of Allegiance

by Red Skelton

As a schoolboy, one of Red Skelton's teachers explained the words and meaning of the Pledge of Allegiance to his class. Skelton later wrote down, and eventually recorded, his recollection of this lecture. It is followed by an observation of his own.

I -- Me; an individual; a committee of one.

Pledge -- Dedicate all of my worldly goods to give without self-pity.

Allegiance -- My love and my devotion.

To the Flag -- Our standard; *Old Glory*; a symbol of Freedom; wherever she waves there is respect, because your loyalty has given her a dignity that shouts, Freedom is everybody's job.

United -- That means that we have all come together.

States -- Individual communities that have united into forty-eight great states. Forty-eight individual communities with pride and dignity and purpose. All divided with imaginary boundaries, yet united to a common purpose, and that is love for country.

And to the Republic -- Republic--a state in which sovereign power is invested in representatives chosen by the people to govern. And government is the people; and it's from the people to the leaders, not from the leaders to the people.

For which it stands

One Nation -- One Nation--meaning, so blessed by God.

Indivisible -- Incapable of being divided.

With Liberty -- Which is Freedom; the right of power to live one's own life, without threats, fear, or some sort of retaliation.

And Justice -- The principle, or qualities, of dealing fairly with others.

For All -- For All--which means, boys and girls, it's as much your country as it is mine.

And now, boys and girls, let me hear you recite the Pledge of Allegiance:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic, for which it stands; one nation, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

Since I was a small boy, two states have been added to our country, and two words have been added to the Pledge of Allegiance: **Under God**. Wouldn't it be a pity if someone said that is a prayer, and that would be eliminated from schools, too?

Red Skelton



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