

The Patriotic Meeting

The patriotic meeting in Jackson's Hall Wednesday evening was the best attended gathering that has been held here for many a day. The hall including stage, aisles and stairway were packed with people and still there were many who wanted to get in but could not get within sound of the speakers' voice.

Dr. R. D. Benson presided and there was music by the Hannaford Orchestra, consisting of B. M. Lunde, Dr. W. K. Taylor, Prof. S. E. Rice and Miss Edna Campbell, who rendered several excellent numbers throughout the evening.

The first speaker was John A. Syverson of Cooperstown who spoke for a few minutes on the Third Liberty Loan, and he was followed by Rev. Morange of Dazey who made a stirring patriotic appeal. Both of these speakers emphasized the need of us waking up to the stupendous task which faces the American people in the fight over there.

The Hannaford High School Glee Club and pupils of the Sixth Grade, also took part in the exercises.

Corporal Rose of the Canadian army who has seen sixteen months of actual service in the trenches before he was wounded, had been engaged for the occasion by the Liberty Loan committee. Before relating his experiences, he sang two solos, which were heartily applauded. His remarks pictured the humorous as well as the grim features of actual warfare and army life. He spoke contemptuously of the German soldier, and mentioned just a few of inhuman and cowardly crimes they had committed upon innocent men, women and children, and helpless prisoners. His recital of the ghastly deeds makes every red-blooded American boil over with indignation. Corporal Rose has witnessed these things, in fact his pal died on the battlefield from a Hun bullet after giving succor to the German whom he thought wounded. Can you blame Corporal Rose for the intense hatred he has for a German soldier or a lip loyalist in this country? A collection was taken for the Red Cross which netted the local branch \$55.50. The "Star Spangled Banner" was sung at the close of the program.