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FIRE PREVENTION DAY
 A Proclamation By the Governor of Illinois

In times of peace, our losses by fire have been excessive thru lack of proper precaution. The hazard by fire is increased because of the war. This is due to the speeding up of industry and the possible presence of enemy incendiaries. It thus becomes necessary to exercise extraordinary care to prevent loss of property and life by fire.

Therefore, I hereby proclaim that Saturday, the second day of November, 1918, be known as fire and accident prevention day, urging that on this day special attention be invited to the need for watchfulness and care that our people may co-operate in the effort to prevent fires and accidents so wasteful of life and property. On this day it is desirable:

That the attention of our people be directed to the need for care and of refraining from exposure to unnecessary risks which may cause injury and death.

That in public and private places there be a cleaning and disposal of waste and rubbish in order that the hazard of fire may be reduced and health promoted.

That heating apparatus, chimneys, electric wiring and ventilating devices be inspected and repaired that they may be safely operated during the coming winter.

That all places where large numbers of people congregate—hotels, factories, theatres, churches and all public and private places—be adequately examined and safeguarded that the lives of occupants may be protected.

That watchmen be engaged where there is danger of incendiaries on the part of the enemy; that fire drills be held and thereafter continued with frequency in schools, factories and public buildings and every effort be made to acquaint occupants with the best and safest means of exit in times of danger.

That general educational exercises be held that our people may be impressed with the necessity for this important work of conservation and that local legislative bodies give exacting attention to the need of building regulations, fire prevention ordinances and the importance of ample protection against fire.

And it is especially desirable that the press lend its support and give all possible publicity to the purposes for which this day is named.

Frank O. Lowden.

No Hunting or Trespassing
 Notice is hereby given that hunting and trespassing is hereby strictly prohibited upon our premises. Gerhardt Wegener, William Eiten, M. J. Brown, John J. Wegener, Nick Diederich, Peter F. Miller, James Patterson, John Amann, Peter J. Brown, B. J. Wegener and Geo. J. Wegener.

John Donnelly Dead
 John C. Donnelly of Woodstock, for many years one of the most active as well as prominent Democrats of the county and at one time a minority representative from the eighth senatorial district, passed away in that city on Tuesday of last week, following a paralytic stroke.



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 "Every room is comfortable. Even the floors are warm. We have only one fire to tend and no coal or ashes to track through the house." That's what a man says who has an

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 This is a real heater. Burns any fuel. A triple inner casing keeps the heat in, and keeps the cellar cool.

HELPING TO WIN
 Women Are Taking Places In the Industrial World

"The advent of women into the industrial world marks another phase of the changed conditions of the United States and the whole world is undergoing," said R. I. Overton, Willys-Overland dealer in this village.

"At the big plant in Toledo, women have been employed for the past six years in the trim shop and similar departments. But now with the additional war work to which the automobile industry has given such great impetus, women are taking their places here as they have done so nobly in England. They may now be found in many parts of the factory, assembling small parts, operating drill and punch presses, keeping stock records and serving in countless ways on the lighter work."

"To see these hundreds of women for the first time, attired in their neat drab colored bloomer-garments, seriously and competently handling their tasks in the industrial world is a revelation."

"The workaday clothes worn by the women in the Willys-Overland plants were designed by the company. They are business like, trim and modest in every way. The upper part is a blouse with the sleeves buttoned tightly around the wrists to serve as a protection against oil. Similarly the bloomers are gathered around the ankles as a safeguard against being caught in moving machinery."

"These clothes are all laundered every week by the Willys-Overland company and are made of tough, serviceable material."

"All of the women operatives seem happy and contented in this new sphere of work. They all are contributing their share to the war, releasing men for heavier work. The most satisfactory part of the proposition is the thoroughness and competence with which women are handling the work. This is not at all a matter of surprise to the officials of the company as women are notably accurate, painstaking and reliable."

"Most of all of the women who are doing this work have someone in the service, aiding in the sterner task. And coming out of the big Willys-Overland administration building, the observer sees the real reason behind the working women of America. Suspended in the hall just opposite the main entrance hangs the company's service flag accounting for 4901 men with the fighting forces."

From Mortimer Schnorr
 The following letter was received by Mrs. F. A. Schnorr from her son in France:

France, Sept. 22, 1918.
 Dear Mother—Nothing much to say today only that I'm well and all right. This is a busy old world over here. We are all doing our best to win this war and the sooner, the better. Dark, cloudy day today, sort of lonesome, but haven't time to think of that. The days are flying fast, soon will be winter. Hope each change in season brings peace nearer. We all hope to see the great day.

France, Oct. 3, 1918.
 Dear Mother—I received a letter written Sept. 3, one month ago. I would love to step in and see you tonight. How good it would seem to have all of those privileges I once had. We are just billeted in a small French village and bunk in a barn, with the hogs next door and the rats to run races we are not lonely.

I am writing by a small candle and on my knee. The war is coming fine. It will soon be winter and cold. We had a frost last night. I am well and all right, but you know, mother, we all run chances. I have received most of your letters I think and enjoy them and the clippings more than you know. I write you more than anyone, don't see why you don't get them all. I try to keep you posted.

We have big trucks and ammunition to the front. We medics go with them for aid. This ammunition train has put on a lot of dangerous work night and day. I don't need any knitted goods now, but may later. I'll let you know. It's hard to carry a thing more than we actually need. I get more letters from you than anyone. I always depend on one from you, so don't fool me, for I enjoy them so much.

Well, mother, this will be a different world for us both when I get home. I've seen so much that is interesting. Hope you are well and happy. Good night. Much love,
 Mortimer.

Administrator's Notice
 M. A. Carmack, Atty.
 Estate of August Borman, Deceased.
 The undersigned having been appointed Administrator of the Estate of August Borman, deceased, late of the County of McHenry and State of Illinois, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the County Court of McHenry County, at the Court House in Woodstock, at the December Term, on the first Monday in December next, at which time all persons having claims against said Estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said Estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.
 Dated this 4th day of October, A. D. 1918.
 C. H. Meyer, Administrator.

Notice
 Long distance hauling and moving by truck. Driver Frank Blunk, Hebron, Ill.
 Read The Plaindealer and keep posted on local happenings.

LETTERS FROM OUR BOYS

SERG. HARRY NIESEN CAPTURES SPY IN RANKS

Carl Mead Writes From France—Paul Barbian Files For Movies—Edwin Heimer Composes Poetry
 From Sergt. Harry Niesen
 Somewhere in France, Sept. 16, 1918.
 Dear Mother—Your letter of Aug. 8 received several days ago. Was glad to hear from you again and to know that you are all in good health and getting long all right. I am all O. K. and getting along fine and dandy.

Surely must be a good many people out in McHenry. Anyway there appears to be. You say that you are all so busy. Well, as a rule I am busy too. I am on the go all day and part of the night, sometimes all night, still I don't mind it. Wish I could tell you just what I am doing. I am sure that it would be interesting for you to know, but guess that the papers tell you some of the things we do. You can be assured that we are doing some good work here. The other day I was talking to some German prisoners (you know that I am there when it comes to speaking German), and they told me that they just had to fight. Some we found chained to machine guns. We had lots of their coats, too, but none of use ate any, not taking any chance. Uncle Sam gives us a great plenty.

I am sending you a couple of letters as souvenirs. I couldn't read them. Plenty of souvenirs, but I haven't much time, anyway can't send them to America.

Another fellow and I captured a spy several days ago, dressed like one of our second lieutenants.

Received a letter from Bill a few days ago. Guess he likes it pretty well. He's in the machine gun company.

Well, there isn't any more news for this time, so will close. With love to all and a kiss for Marie. Harry.

A. E. F. France, Sept. 22, 1918.
 Dear Marie—Your letters of Aug. 5, 8 and 26 received a day or two ago, also your letter with the Red Cross photo, and was more than glad to hear from you again. Appreciate the photo, was surely glad to receive it. If I possibly can I will have some taken of myself and then I will send one to you.

How are you all these days? Fine I hope. I am getting along just fine. Is it still as warm in McHenry? Rain here for several days and some mud, too. Looks as if it might clear up soon, I hope so at least.

Heard from Bill also. He seems to be doing well. Probably he will never see France. I'm expecting this program to end soon. Everyone seems to have the same opinion. We are sure doing good here. Guess you get about all the important and interesting news in the papers.

Are you still so busy? Guess you will be able to take things a little easier soon. How is pa and the boat? Sure would like a little ride myself. Saw Pyke Behlke yesterday and heard from Jack some time ago. He is in the machine gun same as Bill. Artillery is the stuff, I say. Always write things on the shells and then shoot them at the Germans.

Received the box you sent me on my birthday. Guess I forgot to tell you, as we were leaving about that time, so I must have forgotten it.

I'll write whenever I can. If you don't hear from me as often as you should just say that he's after some

Germans. Don't be uneasy. You can be assured that I am all O. K. We only lost three, who were killed, and five wounded, that's pretty good I think. Will close with love to all.
 Harry.

From Sergt. Edwin J. Heimer
 France, Sept. 18, 1918.
 Frank—An occasional copy of The Plaindealer would surely be appreciated by myself as well as the two other McHenry county lads in our outfit.

As a Hun hunter I am faring just great and can make no complaints whatsoever. Eat good food, nice place in which to sleep, altho it is only an old barn-like house, where cows and chickens as well as rats live, too. We are a bit shy on amusements, but one must look for some sort of a drawback under the existing circumstances.

Weather great. Have had nice dry days for the past two weeks. Hope it continues.

The K. C. are doing wonderful work here. In this big drive they are dropping smokes to the boys from aeroplanes while the fighting is going on. Keep up the good work.

Am enclosing a bit of poetry which I composed during my spare time. Have several other bits, but will not send them at present.

Got to get back to work, so will call this quits for the present.
 Sincerely,
 Edwin.

The Girl of Girls
 "Mother"

When the war god reached out his talons,
 And showed me the way to the fray,
 My sweethearts shed tears by the gallons,
 There was weeping and gnashing
 that day.

Don't blame them for crying like babies,
 I'm surprised they recovered at all;
 I'm sure made a hit with the ladies
 Just one look at me and they'd fall.

Take Alice or Marie or Jennie—
 They surely were there with the looks,
 And I never regretted a penny
 I blew in on flowers and books.

And Esther—that kid was a thriller,
 A complexion like peaches and cream;
 She was sweeter than Marilyn Miller,
 And Marguerite—Oh, boy what a dream.

And now that I'm over the ocean,
 I remember them each by their smile,
 But there is one that gets my devotion,
 And I'm thinking of her all the while.

When my clothes need mending and scrubbing,
 And only one sock I can find,
 And my knuckles are swollen with rubbing,
 Why, girls, you're far from my mind.

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My thoughts are for one that is dearer Than Marguerite or Esther or Mae, Each day that I'm gone she seems nearer,
 The she's older, but smiling and gay.
 —Sergt. Heimer.

From Pvt. Carl E. Mead
 Tours, France, Sept. 29, 1918.
 Mr. Fred A. Cooley,
 McHenry, Ill.
 Dear Mr. Cooley—Each time I write I am a little nearer the front and I'll be glad when I get there. The other time I wrote you I was at Brest I think. I was at St. Naizaire since then and was glad to move on. I have not learned to drink the French wine, but there is plenty of it here.

The people here are 100 years behind our times. You think you are going to die of old age going from one place to another on these French trains. Not much plumbing except that put in by Americans.

I am near enough to the front to see a lot of wounded soldiers and German prisoners. There are a lot of legs and arms missing and a lot more crazy to get a chance to lose them. The boys are stepping to the Huns pretty hard and are going to keep it up. It's no play. There is only one real army tho and that's Uncle Sam's, no matter what anyone tries to tell you. The French soldiers receive 5c a day for their pay and they fight. They are well clothed.

If you could see the things that are over here from U. S. A. you would think that Kaiser Bill never had any

submarines. I never was ashamed of the old U. S. A. and I am more proud of her than ever now.

I am well and glad I came. The only mistake I made was the branch of the service I got into. You don't get to the front fast enough in the engineers. I suppose you are at the same stand. Let me hear from you. Have received no mail from anyone since August 20. I'll get your letter some time if some Hun don't beat you to it. I'll close for this time. With best wishes and highest regards, I remain,
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Let him realize the scrupulous care taken at the plant that not one thing is lost or wasted in order that costs may be held to a minimum.

Let him go up into the office where market reports are coming in,—and reports of what other concerns are doing.

Let him watch the director of the Swift Refrigerator fleet, maneuvering it over the face of the country like a fleet of battleships at sea.

Let him take a trip with a Swift & Company salesman and try to sell a few orders of meat.

Let him stay at a branch house for an hour or two and see the retail meat dealers drive their bargains to the last penny as they shop around among the packers' branch houses, the wholesale dealers, and the local packing plants.

And then, when the day is over, let him have half an hour in the accounting department, where he can see for himself on what small profits the business is done. (Less than 4 cents on each dollar of sales.)

If he still thinks there is no competition in the meat business it will be because he wants to think so.

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