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AMERICA FIRST!

**NEWS NOTES FROM
 OUR NEIGHBORING
 DuPAGE CO. TOWNS
 WEST CHICAGO**

The steam shovel and ditcher at the south end of the sewer are lying idle this morning, for the seventeen men in the two gangs working on the disposal plant and ditch are on a strike. Five hours work with ten hours' pay is their demand. Seemingly the strike was called on the spur of the moment, for previous to this morning there had been no wage negotiations. The foreman told the men

this morning that he would promise them nine hours' work with nine hours' pay, but this they refused and at the present writing are waiting for Mr. Egan to come over from Aurora, so that they can present their claim to him.

If this thing keeps up we will have to sleep in our potato patches to protect them. Last Thursday night someone entered Andrew Diebold's garden and dug up and took away seventy-five hills of fine tubers. After putting a great deal of hard work on his patch, this summer he would not be greatly blamed if he would use a shotgun on the despoilers of his garden, if he finds them.

Dr. Thomas Greig Sunday received a first lieutenant's commission in the medical reserve corps of the United States army. He took his examination some time ago, successfully passed it and is now awaiting orders. Dr. Greig is the second man in DuPage county to receive a commission.

West Chicago Press.

WHEATON

Arthur Arnold, who was formerly Secretary of the Sunday School association of West Virginia, has been advanced to the position of State Secretary for Ohio. Mr. Arnold spent Sunday with Wheaton friends, stopping off on his way from a conference at Lake Geneva. He was at one time superintendent of the Gary M. E. Sunday school.

The following Wheaton men have made application for the second officers' training camp which will open at Fort Leon Springs, Tex., August 27: John B. Nelson, Harry Fisher, Jr., Michael O. Callahan, Frederick C. Mass, George H. Rogers, Jr., Thomas W. Dunlap, Ellis Machamer, Arthur Twigg, Lewis M. Ellsworth, Jr., C. C. Houston, J. B. Sternberg, Warren C.

Vising, John K. Fish and Charles Schatz. Most of the applicants from this district went to Aurora yesterday morning for personal examination. Illinois' quota is 971 men and the applications numbered almost 4,000.

Arthur Voight left Saturday morning on the New Orleans Special for a trip thru the south. He will stop at Chattanooga, Tenn., and visit his brother Lawrence, who is in the 1st Illinois Infantry. He will also visit an aunt in West Virginia.

Norman Tweedie writes from Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind., that he is well and that army life is agreeing with him. He is in Company I, 45th Infantry. Bert Porter also writes from Paris Island, S. C., that everything is well with the Wheaton boys who are with the Marines. Bert is in the 57th Company, Marine Corps.

HINSDALE

Dr. Herbert B. Woodard has received his commission as captain in the medical section of the officers Reserve corps, U. S. A.

The Hinsdale Gun Club won from the Riverside club in a recent match scoring 110 against Riverside's 102. Hinsdale members taking part were: Howe, Hench, Hammerschmidt, Goode, Rockwell, Dorstewitz and Clarke.

Elmer Ruchty, who went into training with the Naval Reserves last month, has received his first promotion and is now company captain of the Fifth regiment at the Newport, R. I., training camp.

Albert Wolf returned home last Sunday from a fishing trip to Camp-Galley 6

**BATTERY C. NOW
 HAS TWO MORE
 LOCAL RECRUITS**

All local men, members of various Illinois National Guard units, are now in Federal service with their regiments.

The call Wednesday included all Illinois units not already in Federal service. Seven local boys, members of the 2nd Field Artillery, formerly the 1st Cavalry, are camped in Streesterville. They are Manley Alderson, Clifford Davenport, Donald Hawkins, Hugh Brown, Richard Hawkins, Carl Dunnagan. Those of the 2nd Infantry, Theron Potter, Lawrence Rehm, Harold Clark and Lawrence Foster are at their armory. Marshall Statton is with the machine gun corps, of Company D, at Aurora.

Geo. H. Beyer sailed last Saturday with the 13th Engineers (ry.) for service behind the lines in France. He is the second Downers Grove boy to go with the U. S. contingents.

Battery C of the First Illinois Artillery has two more Downers Grove men enlisted in its ranks bringing the total to eleven local men with this unit. Gilbert Lacey who was liable for call on the first draft and who wished to pick his own branch of the service, enlisted in this battery. Harry Grant who has been working for Mrs. Alice V. Lacey has also enlisted. Both young men have passed the physical examination and joined their regiment Wednesday afternoon at Fort Sheridan.

**REPORT OF RED
 CROSS COMMITTEE**

The Red Cross Committee submits herewith, as information, report of its operations from April 19th to July 25th, 1917.

Total Disbursements	\$510.36
Cash on hand	86.85
Total Donations Received	\$597.21

Material Purchased
 296 hanks of knitting yarn, 56 yards of khaki cloth, 200 yards muslin, 56 yards handkerchief cotton, 667 yards outing flannel, 23 yards ticking, 3 patterns.

Contents of 140 comfort bags, consisting of towel, soap, comb, gum, washcloth, mirror, tooth brush, tooth paste, shoe laces, stamped envelopes, postal cards, camphor ice, talcum powder, handkerchief, court plaster, sewing kits (filled), drinking cup.

Work Accomplished
 53 convallescing shawls, 56 pair of bed-sheets, 23 bed shirts, 20 pairs pajamas, 54 handkerchiefs, 109 hot water bags, 51 comfort bags (distributed to local soldiers), 37 comfort bags (on hand), 42 navy bags, 74 "house services," 42 knitted wristlets, 32 knitted socks, 39 knitted mufflers, 3 pairs of armlets. 419 skeins of yarn out being knitted.

Material on Hand
 28 yards of cotton, 19 yards of flannel, 117 yards of outing flannel, material for 52 comfort bags.

Inspection of books and records is cordially invited at any Red Cross meeting.

**CORRECT ADDRESS
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PATRIA No. 13

It's nearing the end; don't miss the last two, Nos. 14 and 15.

Curtiss Vaudeville selected every Tuesday and Saturday.

Coming Thursday, August 9th
Duggie Fairbanks in "In Again, Out Again"
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SPECIAL NOTICE!

We have added to our regular Thursday feature, Current Events of interest to all. A one reel news picture of up-to-date doings throughout the world.

We also wish to state that "The Law of Compensation" is a picture that children will enjoy.

Next Thursday, the big Downers Grove favorite,
Duggie Fairbanks in his big success "In Again Out Again"

The "Ladies Home Journal" Endorses Cash and Carry Plan Try It!!

The August number of the Ladies Home Journal contains a very good article on the benefits to the consumer of the "Cash and Carry" Plan of merchandising. The method of saving money is the same system we have had in effect for the last few months and we were much gratified after reading the article that we were the first store in this vicinity to institute a system which will, we believe, become almost universal.

The "Journal" states that from investigations made in Washington, D. C. it was found that from 3 to 45c out of every dollar spent by consumers was for delivery charges. This boost for the plan we have adopted should open the eyes of many people to the fact that when they have their purchases delivered, they are paying for the service and it is not an accomodation of the retailer.

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Miss Christine Fretts

Following closely upon the death of Mrs. E. C. Stanley who was stricken while at her bedside, Miss Christine Fretts, for many months in failing health, passed away Saturday morning, July 21, at 90 Carpenter St., where during a number of years she has made her home with Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Naramore, the latter her college room-mate and lifelong friend.

Miss Fretts was born in Bradford Co., Pa., on May 18, 1841, and had attained the age of seventy-six years. She came west to Illinois in her early girlhood, and spent practically her entire life in this state. As a young woman she attended Wheaton College, where she fitted herself for the teaching profession. Eleven years of her life were spent in this avocation, her later efforts for a like period being devoted to nursing. Deprived of the joys of a parental home, her parents having died while she was a child, Miss Fretts adopted an elderly couple as foster parents, caring for them until their death. Thus she spent her life, in unselfish service for others.

About fourteen years ago Miss Fretts took up her residence in Downers Grove, uniting with the Congregational Church here. A life-long Congregationalist, she gave herself devotedly to her Church and made her life tell for good through its instrumentality. "She hath done what she could," was the Scriptural expression used by her pastor as fittingly epitomizing her life and character.

Miss Fretts is survived by a nephew, Mr. V. T. Reynolds of Dell Rapids, S. D., and a niece, Mrs. James Hodge, of Rochelle, Ill.

Funeral services were held at the home on Sunday afternoon, Rev. I. M. Grey officiating. A quartette composed of the Misses Clara and Florence Lacey and Messrs. E. F. Lacey and W. E. Chessman sang two selections. Interment took place on Monday at St. Joseph, Mich.

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