

TABULATION OF WOMANS REGISTRATION

Work Virtually Completed and Reports Filed with Defense Council.

The stars on the Downers Grove Service flag, the first community flag to fly among the Burlington suburbs, is not the only evidence of patriotism in the village. Back of them is a list of eight hundred and twenty-four women who have registered their names with the Woman's committee of the council of national defense telling what they can do in aid of the country should their services be required and expressing their willingness to help the cause for which the boys are to fight "over there."

The registration was a part of a movement which is nation wide and which is designed to help America by enlisting the womanpower of the land at home while military preparations are being made for the great struggle. One of the best features of the local registration was the enthusiastic response which greeted the registrars when the task of tabulating the capabilities of the Downers Grove women began.

Through the entire week of November 5, the week of the big Illinois drive, the registrars were kept busy at Library hall filling out the registration cards.

By reason of the many varieties of occupation and ability the tabulation was a task of no mean proportions, and the work of the registrars, all volunteers, was decidedly arduous. The tabulation was preceded by a canvass of the town and the surrounding country by committees representative of the various women's organizations of the village.

An idea of the aid which Downers Grove women can be to the nation is gained from the summary of the registration cards which is now in the hands of the council of national defense.

A complete summary of the cards will be printed next week.

COLD WEATHER DELAYS PAPER

The Reporter is a day late this week due to the extreme cold weather and our Christmas Issue.

It all started Monday morning when our steam pipes contained solid steam in the form of ice. It has been going that way ever since. Then too we did not have the help of so many of the young fellows of the village in getting out our big number. They are in the army.

SCOUT NEWS

Any boy who is a present member of troop 1 or 2 who does not report for duty next Monday night at 7:30 p. m. in the new Congregational church basement, or who does not send a written excuse signed by his parents, on or before that time, will be dropped from the roll.

For information phone Harvey Drew, Scoutmaster.

MORE SERVICE STARS WILL BE SEWN ON FLAG

Mothers of Boys Recently Enlisted Will Meet at Library Hall Next Tuesday.

The mothers or nearest relative of the boys who have recently enlisted in the forces of the United States will meet at Library hall next Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The meeting will be for the purpose of sewing service stars on the community flag.

Following the original plan each mother will stitch the star representing her boy who has gone in humanitarian fight.

This item will serve to notify those who have a dear one serving Uncle Sam to be present at this meeting. No one should be overlooked, if you think some one might not know of this meeting, tell them.

YELLOWSTONE PARK SLIDES WERE SHOWN

Interesting New Series Viewed at Baptist Church Tuesday Evening.

A very interesting new series of slides, just out of the studio showing the beautiful views of Yellowstone National Park were shown to a good audience at the Baptist church, Tuesday night.

These slides were furnished by the Northern Pacific railroad in their "propaganda" of getting folks interested in the wonders of this truly wonderful section of our country.

Elvin Sucher, who has been thru the park and who has studied the working of the geysers and other natural wonders, gave a lecture as the slides were projected on the screen.

NOTICE

After December 22nd the Village dumping pit west end of Gilbert ave., will be open only on Saturdays. An attendant will be in charge to direct the work and collect the necessary ticket that can be obtained at the Village office for a fee of 15 cents for each single wagon load and 25 cents for each double wagon load.

W. C. Barber, Commissioner of Public Health and Sanitary.

FAREWELL PARTY FOR BALLARD MILES

An informal farewell reception in honor of Mr. Wm. Ballard Miles was given by the members of the S. Andrew's church choir on Saturday evening, December 8th at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Edwards. The Rev. Mr. H. M. MacWhorter assured Mr. Miles of the continued prayers and best wishes of his many friends and on behalf of the members of the choir, presented him with a pocket prayer book. Mr. Miles has enlisted in the Aviation Corps and has left for a training post in Texas.

Hardening Wood. Wood acquires a remarkable hardness and toughness when it is placed in tanks and covered with quicklime, which is gradually slaked with water.

WANT COAL? FILL OUT THE COAL BLANK

Questionnaire Will be Handled to you by Dealer When You Order Black Diamonds

The available information in regard to the coal supply situation in Chicago indicates that all consumers can be provided with their immediate requirements if all dealers comply with the Fuel Administrator's instructions to temporarily limit, as far as practicable, deliveries to all domestic consumers to not more than a wagon load or, at most, a week or ten days supply, as long as the dealers are experiencing a shortage.

If on the contrary, some consumers are permitted to store several months' or their winter supply of coal at this time, at the expense of other consumers not getting their immediate requirements, it will temporarily cause needless suffering.

OVER \$12,000 PAID OUT TO XMAS SAVERS

First National and Farmers & Merchants Bank Depositors Paid Handsome Sum

Over twelve thousand dollars was checked out this week by the two local banks to Christmas Savers.

This enormous total was paid into the banks, cent by cent, nickle by nickle and dollar by dollar since last December by the "Christmas Savers" and these depositors are now reaping the benefit.

The plan under which this money was saved is known as the Christmas Saving Club. It has taught more people the value of the saving habit than any other scheme ever tried. Locally people have taken out these saving cards who never before had saved a cent.

The clubs are run under the well known principle that a small amount

MORE LOCAL BOYS HAVE ENLISTED

Many Left This Week for Training in Various Branches of U. S. Forces.

Downers Grove witnessed last and this weeks an exodus of many of her young men who have joined the forces of the army and navy.

In addition to those who we recorded last week we have heard of the following ones: Reuben Diener and William Dexter joined Frank Dewey Melvin Binder and Paul Bentley in the Ordnance Corps and they left Chicago Tuesday for the barracks at Columbus, Ohio. Word received since says they did not linger there long but left for a southern training camp. This unit expects to be "over there" very soon.

Albert Vix signed up with the Signal Corps and left Monday night for Jefferson Barracks. His training with Company H will stand him in good stead now.

George Staiger, Harold Hindman and Eugene Haymond left Chicago Tuesday evening for Columbus. They have joined the Quartermaster's Corps and expect to train in Florida.

LeRoy Dexter after standing in line at the Great Lakes Training Station in the cold for two days at last succeeded in getting into the recruiting office. He passed the examination and is now training there.

At least seven or eight more of our young men made a try at enlisting but were turned down for various physical reasons. Some of them tried in two or three different branches and were refused in all of them.

Just a few short weeks ago when our Service Flag was raised it contained just 100 stars. Our list this week shows 125. Going Some?

Please send in the names of those we have missed for the roll of honor.

EMIL EICHHORST SURPRISED

Neighbors of Emil Eichhorst surprised him last Friday night at his farm home on the Gregg road. The surprise was in the nature of a farewell party as Mr. Eichhorst has given up the farm and moved into town. The surprisers were Henry Hogue and family, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wehrmeister and family and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Eichhorst.

The evening was pleasantly spent with games and in disposing of a bountiful lunch provided for the occasion.

IRA PALMER

Ira Palmer, fifteen year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Palmer, who live south of Downers Grove, died at his home Wednesday, after a brief illness of Hodgkins disease.

The funeral was held Friday afternoon from the house and burial was made at the West Side cemetery.

Though he had been sickly for a year or more, the young man was only confined to his bed for about a week and his death came as a shock to his loving parents.

The Reading Habit. If you like to read, and have many books, be sure to read too much and think too little.—Exchange.

RED CROSS XMAS SEALS ARE SELLING FAST HERE

General Committees Pushing Sales Report Progress—Expect to Exceed Allotment.

The sale of Red Cross holiday seals has boomed in Downers Grove. The work was given good impetus by Mayor Kidwell and the two general committees, one headed by Mrs. Jonas Foster and the other by A. G. Michel, are pushing and getting excellent results. Considerably more than the allotment for the Village will be sold. On Friday the booth at the post office was reestablished.

Many new recruits are being secured for the surgical dressing work done on Tuesdays and Thursdays, both afternoon and evening, and on Tuesday alone 250 dressings were made this week. Volunteers are finding the niches in the organization in which they fit best and increased efficiency can be constantly expected. Those that excel in certain kinds of work will continue on that.

Before last week's shipments were sent from the village many additional knitted garments to those originally packed were turned in and the box contained more of all articles than were listed in the paper last week.

DR. HAMMITT, OF BERWYN AT METHODIST CHURCH NEXT SUNDAY NIGHT.

Next Sunday evening the people of Downers Grove will have the opportunity of hearing one of the strong men of the Rock River Conference at the Methodist church.

Rev. L. L. Hammitt has been pastor of the Methodist Church at Berwyn for more than five years. While he found a prosperous church upon his appointment there, his ministry has been one of peculiar success. During the last three years particularly the work of the men under Dr. Hammitt's leadership has attracted wide attention. Beginning with a single Gospel Team, composed of men who could be depended upon for any service in the local church, this movement has gone on with increasing momentum until now there are something like half a dozen teams which can be called upon for service in other churches. One of these teams visited Downers Grove a short time ago.

Hear Dr. Hammitt next Sunday evening.

FOOTBALL

Last Friday afternoon a hard football game which resulted in a tie was played between an eleven from Oak Park and the team of St. Joseph's school.

St. Joseph's chance to score came in the first quarter when Joseph Moran made a seventy-five yard end run, but was downed just before crossing the line. Oak Park's line held at this critical point and the ball went over. From then on neither side at any time threatened to score.

Ralph DeGraw was the St. Joseph star in tackling.



Under the authority given the Fuel Administrator of Illinois, retail coal dealers of DuPage county should demand from each applicant for coal for domestic purposes a signed statement on one of the forms with which all retail coal dealers have been provided, so that they may be governed in their deliveries by the information certified to by the consumer.

In case an incorrect statement is made by the consumer the dealer should refuse to deliver until a correct statement is made. Coal dealers are required by the Fuel Administrator to report promptly the facts regarding all such mis-statements to his office.

If any of the dealers, through lack of supply are unable to take care of emergency requirements of customers in their district, they will report the conditions promptly to the Administrator's office.

A copy of the consumer's report follows:

Name of dealer _____
City _____ Date _____

In accordance with the order of the United States fuel administration in Illinois, purchasers are required to make true declaration to the following questions:

- 1. Amount of coal desired.
- 2. Kind used last year.
- 3. Approximate amount used last year.
- 4. Pounds or tons on hand at present.
- 5. Will last approximately _____ days.
- 6. Have you any unfilled orders with other dealers?

I hereby certify that the above report is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Name _____
Address _____

The DuPage County Fuel Administration is composed of John H. Kamp chairman and Wm. A. Gamon and S. L. Rathje.

Every local coal dealer has now a supply of these blanks on hand.

BOEGER - SCHULTZ

Thanksgiving evening a pretty home wedding was celebrated north of town when Miss Laura Boeger became the bride of Walter A. Schultz. Rev. Paul Crusius of the Grove street church performed the ceremony.

Arthur Meyer and Harry Schultz acted as groom attendants and Hilda Boeger and Louise Schultz were bridesmaids.

After the ceremony the wedding party sat down to a real wedding-Thanksgiving dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Schultz are making their home at 237 E. Maple avenue.

CHRISTMAS GROCERIES

If Old Santa himself delivered Holiday Groceries he could not bring a better quality nor carry a larger assortment of holiday goods than we have in stock.

We have just received a fresh stock of nuts, fruits and candies for the Holidays.

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