

TWENTY-TWO YEARS AGO IN THE REPORTER

Mrs. D. Hartman of Lisle has received the news of the death of her sister, Mrs. A. Boer, in Danworth, Ohio. She left Monday evening to attend the funeral.

E. W. Farrar has been down with lagrippe for the past five weeks but is now recovering nicely.

Mrs. M. Slusser has been quite ill for the past few days.

About twenty-five friends of Mr. and Mrs. E. Wootton gave them a very pleasant surprise on Tuesday evening.

Miss Julia Southworth and sister of Benson, Vt., are visiting their cousin, Miss Joey Kellogg.

General Stibbs was a guest of Capt. Rogers last Saturday night.

A genuine surprise was one given E. C. Stanley at his home on Gilbert avenue Saturday night. Among the friends present were: Messrs Edwards, Radell, A. G. Prince, Bond, Alec Beidelman, Rotherford, with their wives, Mr. Grace Rogers and Mrs. W. S. Carpenter.

Rev. Heilner visited with J. W. Rogers over Monday night.

Ed. Graves and Harry Bateman went up to Kenosha to inspect a bicycle factory last Sunday.

E. E. Bunge is now operating "W. Block as an operator.

LIBRARY NOTES

Hours
Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday,
Three to Nine P. M.

Mrs. E. G. Lemon has kindly consented to give a talk on "Birds" to the school children at Library Hall, Thursday afternoon, March 31, at 3:30. Mrs. Lemon is an enthusiastic student and lover of birds and will tell many interesting facts concerning them and their habits.

Some Victrola bird records will add to the interest of the afternoon.

Come and get better acquainted with the birds of your town and your country.

The American Library Association has planned a book campaign for the week of March 18-25, to collect books for the men in camp and overseas. Will you help the Downers Grove Library do its share?

Give the book you prize the most, not the one you care for least.

Give your favorite author.

Give your latest war book, you will probably not read it again.

Give books on technical subjects, there is an insistent call for works on aeroplanes, automobiles, gas engines, and engineering topics generally. Don't think that the boys are interested in fiction only.

Books may be left at the Public Library or at Houseman's Drug Store.

ED. CZECHOWSKI WRITES FROM CAMP

Camp Hancock, March 6, '18.

Dear Friend

Have received the 2 last issues of the Reporter and I can't hardly tell you how much I appreciate your favor. I also noticed my article in the paper, and am glad to say that a few of my friends have written to me, on getting my address through this article. I would like to hear from more of them.

I also want to thank the Downers Grove Red Cross for the outfit I got. The last few days have been so hot that we are sleeping with our tents down. And that fine woolen helmet sure does come in handy towards morning, as it gets pretty cool and damp here. The Red Cross sweater I use as a pillow. Almost all of the boys received a comfort kit before they left, but they don't compare with the one that I got from the Downers Grove Red Cross.

I am feeling fine, and have gained 5 pounds already, in about a month. I was in the town or rather city of Augusta, last Saturday afternoon on my first pass to town, and I had a good time with 4 other fellows from my company.

I write to and hear from my brother pretty often, so that helps a lot. Everything is going good at present, and I like it better every day.

That's about all I have to say for the present, but will say that I'd like to hear from more of my friends out in Downers.

Sincerely,
Edmund L. Czechowski,
Casual C. 1290,
Motor Mech. Reg.,
Camp Hancock, Ga.

CHURCH NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The union service next Sunday evening will be held in the St. Paul's Evangelical (Grove St.) church, at 7:30 o'clock. Rev. P. G. Nuffer will preach. Special music will be provided.

The union Young People's meeting will be held in the above church at 8:30 o'clock Sunday evening.

Services in the Baptist-Congregational congregations will be held in the Baptist church Sunday morning at 11:00 o'clock. Mr. Grey will preach the sermon. Joint Sunday school session at 9:45. A big attendance is expected.

Joint choir practice at the Baptist church this (Friday) evening at 8:00 o'clock. Easter program for children rehearsal at seven o'clock in the same place.

Junior meeting at the Baptist church on Wednesday afternoon, and union prayer meeting at 8 o'clock.

In common with the entire community the Churches feel a deep sense of sorrow at the death of Alexander Burns at the battlefield, and unite in extending to his bereaved father their profound and heartfelt sympathy. Alex represented the best type of American young manhood, and his heroic sacrifice for freedom, for home and native land, evokes the deepest gratitude and pride, as well as grief, of his fellow-townsmen. His death-sealed devotion is a clear call to each one of us to be true to duty's call, to put the full weight of our energy and resources behind our army and navy, so that victory may be assured our righteous cause, and that our heroic soldier lad may not have died in vain.

SOLDIER LETTERS LOST

30,000 Letters From American Troops Lost on the Andania Sunk Off the Irish Coast.

Thirty thousand letters from our troops in various parts of France were lost on the steamship Andania, which was sunk off the coast of Ireland the latter part of January.

These letters were written by the soldiers between the 15th and 20th of January.

A small quantity of parcel-post matter also was lost.

This report from the Postal Agency in France is given out by the Post Office Department for the information of those who may miss expected letters written about that time.

GEN. PERSHING'S SOUND ADVICE

His Warning to Troops Abroad Against German Ears is Applicable to the Folks at Home.

America was spotted with German spies before she entered the war. President Wilson is authority for that charge. Hardly any of them have been sent to prison. Few have been interned. Necessarily, therefore, most of them are still abroad.

If Germany maintained a spy system here when she was at peace with America, it can hardly be assumed that she has voluntarily abolished that system now, which makes excerpts from one of General Pershing's general orders to his men in France especially applicable to the folks at home. In his order the American commander said:

"Any man, woman or child, or even a man wearing the uniform of an American, or in the uniform of a soldier of the Allied Armies can be a spy.

"Say nothing that you would not wish to reach the ears of the enemy. And for this same reason never enter into any correspondence with an unknown person for this is one of the chief means used by the enemy to procure information.

"In the streets and in public places do not fail to remember that the very walls have ears. Therefore do not express your opinion upon any military question or even on the war in general.

"Don't give the impression of a pessimistic view of the situation either by word or action, and always have confidence in the success of our Army and of our Cause."

The French have warmly approved the Pershing order. It would be well for the people of America to approve and carry it out. Spies may change their spots, but they do not cease from labor when war comes.

Marsh Parrott.

"Remember when we were kids? Remember you liked to play with me better than with anybody else?" The millionaire was not effusive. "We have queer tastes when we're young," he observed. "I remember I used to like to play with toads."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

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Weekly War News Digest

Stories of Activities and Conditions Throughout the United States and on the Battle Fronts. Compiled for Newspapers by the Committee on Public Information at Washington, D. C.

Each Battle Plane Needs Extra Equipment and Staff of Skilled Men

After three years of warfare the total number of airplanes able to take the air at any one time on either side of the western front has not been over 2,500. Each plane in the air requires a force of 46 men, two replacement planes on the ground, and one training plane for every pilot who eventually reaches the front, with an extra engine for each plane.

The life of a plane is not more than two months, and the engine must be overhauled after each 75 hours. Now that American battle planes are going overseas, the great problem is to secure the thousands of skilled mechanics, engineers, motor repair men, wood and metal workers needed to keep the planes in perfect condition. This engineering and mechanical force at the airbases, the flying fields and repair depots, both here and behind the lines in France, is a vital industrial link in the chain to air supremacy.

Use of Soldiers as Guards for Industrial Plants Not Recommended

A memorandum made public by the War Department concerning the use of armed guards about industrial plants contains the following:

"The soldier in training who has offered his life for the defense of country should not sacrifice his effectiveness by performing police duty in the protection of property back of the lines. This is the duty of the citizen at home.

"The theater for operations for armed soldiers is the battlefield of Europe. Each civilian should aid his country by acting as a guard for the detection and prevention of intrigue, deceit, and all the familiar stealthy operations of the enemy in our midst. Each soldier unnecessarily detained as a guard in this country aids and abets the enemy in Europe.

"Often a guard may be needed for the safety of a factory. When it is, it should be supplied by the owner of the factory, by the municipality, or by the State.

"These measures apply not only to manufacturing plants, but are equally applicable to shipyards, grain elevators, and stores of supplies."

New U. S. Army Rifle Shows Improvements Over Other Models

The United States rifle, model of 1917, commonly called the Enfield, has now been tested in the service of the Army a sufficient time to warrant the assertion that it more than justifies the claims made for it, according to a statement authorized by the Secretary of War.

The new rifle takes a .30 caliber cartridge, which has the advantage over the British Enfield of being rimless. It has been found that unless rim cartridges are fed through the magazine uniformly with the rim of the top cartridge ahead of the rim of the one immediately below, jams are likely to occur.

The model of 1917 has an over-all length of 46.3 inches; a total weight including oiler and thumb case and bayonet of 10 pounds and 5 ounces. The breech mechanism is of the bolt type.

Junior Four-Minute Men Will Aid Campaign for Third Liberty Loan

Plans have been announced for the organization of "Junior Four-Minute Men" in every school in the country. According to the Division of Four-Minute Men of the Committee on Public Information, bulletins especially prepared for school children will be sent during the third Liberty loan

campaign for distribution by superintendents to all schools in the United States. Addresses will be prepared from the material in these bulletins just as regular Four-Minute speakers in motion-picture houses prepare their own speeches from bulletins supplied by the Government.

In each school the children submitting the best speeches are to deliver them in public. According to plans the boy or girl awarded first prize is to get a certificate from the United States Government as a Junior Four-Minute Man.

Signal Corps School for Aerial Photography Opened at Rochester, N. Y.

In the new school opened at Rochester, N. Y., to train photographers for the Signal Corps, the primary training will cover four weeks along highly specialized developments brought out in the war. At its close the successful graduates will be sent on for a months advanced training, after which they will be organized into units and sent overseas.

Men with the highest grades will be given still further training for commissions as photographic intelligence officers, first at a school and then in actual flights at the flying fields.

The War Department Commission on Training Camp Activities now has 55 women deputy sheriffs working in vicinities of camps in all parts of the country.

The period during which rye flour may be used as a wheat substitute in Victory bread has been extended to March 31, as in some sections of the country other substitutes are not yet available.

The campaign to raise a second \$100,000,000 has been announced by the American Red Cross for the week beginning May 6. To date nearly \$90,000,000 has been appropriated for war relief work.

Only the 12-cylinder type of Liberty motor for airplanes is now being built, it having been thought best in view of developments abroad to concentrate on the high-powered engine instead of the eight-cylinder.

A Navy base hospital with a capacity of 500 beds has reached the war zone. It will take care of Navy personnel, both ashore and afloat, and if accommodations exist will also be available for Army and allied sick and wounded.

A Canadian order in council provides for the free admission into Canada of meat cattle until February 7, 1919, when imported by bona fide residents of Canada under regulations by the minister of customs. Cattle, except for breeding purposes, are ordinarily dutiable at 32 1/2 per cent.

EXPLOSIVES IN WAR AND PEACE

Almost every farmer in the middle west has at one time or another had experience with giant powder and dynamite. These explosives once were used almost exclusively on the farms for the purpose of uprooting stumps.

LODGE & CLUB DIRECTORY

GROVE LODGE NO. 824, A. F. & A. M.—Stated meetings, second and fourth Fridays at 8 o'clock p. m. at Masonic hall, Curtiss and Main streets. Worshipful Master. Fred Dowe, Sec. Geo. O. Prickett

GROVE CHAPTER, NO. 230 R. A. M.—Stated meeting first Thursday of each month in Masonic hall at 8 o'clock p. m. Visiting Companions always welcome. H. E. Tank, E. H. P., H. F. Legenhausen, Secretary.

VESTA CHAPTER, No. 242, O. E. S.—Meet second and fourth Tuesdays of each month. Mrs. Minnie Olsen, Worthy Matron; W. F. Heints, Worthy Patron; Ona Lower, Sec.

MAPLE GROVE LODGE No. 529, K. of P. Meets first & third Wednesday nights in Zindt's hall. L. L. Chevalier, Chancellor; Commander; H. F. Legenhausen, K. of R. & S.

NAPER POST, No. 468, G. A. R.—Meets second Saturday, 2:30 p. m. of each month in G. A. R. hall. F. A. Rogers, Commander; George L. Hughes, Senior Commander; P. Leibundguth, J. Commander; E. W. Farrer, Officer of the day; R. W. Bond, Adjutant; George B. Heart, Quartermaster; T. F. Leach, Chaplain; George Strauley, Officer of the Guard

DOWNERS GROVE LODGE, No. 750, I. O. O. F. Meets every Monday evening at 8 o'clock in Masonic hall, corner Main and Curtiss streets, Frank Story, N. G.; E. M. Brunson, Record Keeper.

VICTORY COUNCIL, No. 110 Royal League—Meets 1st & 3rd Tuesdays in each month in Zindt's hall. C. V. Wolf, Archon; C. H. Staats, Scribe.

DOWNERS GROVE CHAPTER, Daughters of the American Revolution—Hold a monthly meeting on the third Tuesday of each month in the home of the members. Officers of the chapter are: Regent, Mrs. Verne Frankensfield; Mrs. Lavara Hannum, Secretary.

ROYAL NEIGHBORS OF AMERICA—Honor Camp, No. 379, Meets the third Thursday evening of each month in Zindt's hall. Mrs. M. E. Cutler, Oracle; Miss Agnes Venard, Recorder.

DOWNERS GROVE WOMANS CLUB—Meets every alternate Wednesday, beginning second Wednesday in October and closing last Wednesday in April. Mrs. Jonas R. Foster, President; Mrs. E. H. Huntington, Jr., Secretary.

Of late they have been used—powder especially—for loosening subsoils before planting orchard trees and crops with long-root systems, such as alfalfa and sweet clover. Powder has even been used to dig ditches.

All of this work the American farmer has found to be dangerous and above all expensive. Now the United States Government has gone into the business of manufacturing explosives and using them on an enormous scale. America is at war with a powerful nation—a foe rich in inventive genius and determined to defeat this country.

It takes money—billions of dollars—to manufacture explosives and to train men to use them effectively in guns, and then to transport those high-powered explosives and the expert users of them to the battlefields of Europe in order that the common foe may be defeated with its own weapons—its own explosives, because Germany uses all her powder to conquer her neighbors in war while the American nation has developed its powder very largely to the arts of peace on the farm and in the quarry.

Every dollar the American agriculturist contributes to his Government in the purchase of war bonds provides the war department and the navy department with the means to crush a foreign power that believes powder is made solely for guns and that the sons of its farmers are only "cannon fodder."

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6-room flat, electric light, gas and bath, only \$12.00.

6-room house, water and gas, \$18.00.

5-room house, gas and water, \$18.00.

FOR SALE

A Real Bargain, 6-room house with furnace heat, cement basement, laundry, all hard wood floors, bath, electric light, in fact modern in every way. Lot, 75x142, all kinds of fruit trees, best of location on paved street, all special assessments are paid in full. A real bargain for \$3,200. Easy terms.

6-room stucco house, cement basement laundry, hot water heat, bath, fireplace, electric light, large front porch. Near station on paved street, all assessments have been paid in full. Price \$3950.

50-foot lot on paved street, good location, all assessments paid for, only \$450.

8-room house, steam heat, bath, hardwood floors, garage, location one of the best on the north side, lot 100x142 on paved street, price \$4750, make offer.

1 1/2 acres with 6-room house, barn, garage, some fruit, near village limits, a bargain for \$2,900.

2 acres with 7-room house, cement basement, chicken house, all buildings in best of condition, about two blocks from village limits, price \$4,800.

3 acres with 6-room house, cement basement, hot water heat, hardwood floors downstairs, barn, extra large chicken house, all kinds of fruit, city gas, about one block from village limits, price \$3,800. Easy terms.

2 acres with 7-room stucco house, all modern, garage, near station, price, \$5,500, make me an offer.

5-room house, in good condition has gas and water near station owner is anxious to sell, price \$1800.—make offer easy terms.

7-room house, with stucco heat cement basement and bath, lot 100x132 good location on paved street, owner anxious to sell price \$3600. Make me an offer.

50 ft. lot—all special assessments are paid in full on paved street price \$450

6-room stucco house, all modern and up to date near station price \$4500.

5-room bungalow new, all modern east front, lot 75x125 price \$3600.

7-room house, steam heat, bath, hardwood floors down stairs, on paved street a bargain for \$3500—easy terms

20 acres with 5-room house, barn, drilled well, fruit, about two and one-half miles from station price \$4500

158 acres on main stone road some timber land fair buildings price \$125 an acre.

7-room house, all modern in best condition large front porch lot 40x75 near station price \$4500

If you are looking for a trade in a country home let me hear from you as I have several parties that will exchange a small farm for Downers Grove property

5 room cottage with cement basement water and gas on paved street best of location, price \$2000.

6-room cottage, with water gas and bath one block from station can be bought on easy terms price \$2000.

6-room new stucco house on paved street, cement basement, furnace heat laundry, large living room, book case, buffay, oak trim, bath, sleeping porch near station, good neighborhood. A bargain at \$4300. Terms.

6-room house, hot water heat, all modern, best part of north side. \$600.

58x142 east front lot, just outside of village limits, good neighborhood, price \$200.

7-room house, cement basement, furnace heat, laundry, bath, fireplace, electric lights, large lot. \$4,900.

5-room bungalow, new, all modern, good location, east front, lot 75x125, Price, \$3,600.

50-ft. lot just outside of village limits gas, water, electric light. A bargain for \$250.

7-room house, steam heat, bath, hardwood floors downstairs, lot 65x152. Price \$3600. Easy Terms.

FARMS

120 acres, fair buildings, about 3 1/2 miles from Downers Grove. Price per acre, \$125.

158 acres on main stone road. Price \$125 per acre, make offer.

If you are looking for an 80-acre farm, I have them from \$125 to \$250 per acre.

5 acres at edge of town, near school, in reach of electric light, gas and village water. Ask me about the price.

80 acres on main stone road, part timber, about 1 1/2 miles from depot. \$150 per acre.

If you don't find the property you are looking for in this list call up 266-J as I have a number of others that might interest you.

33 SOUTH MAIN ST.
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