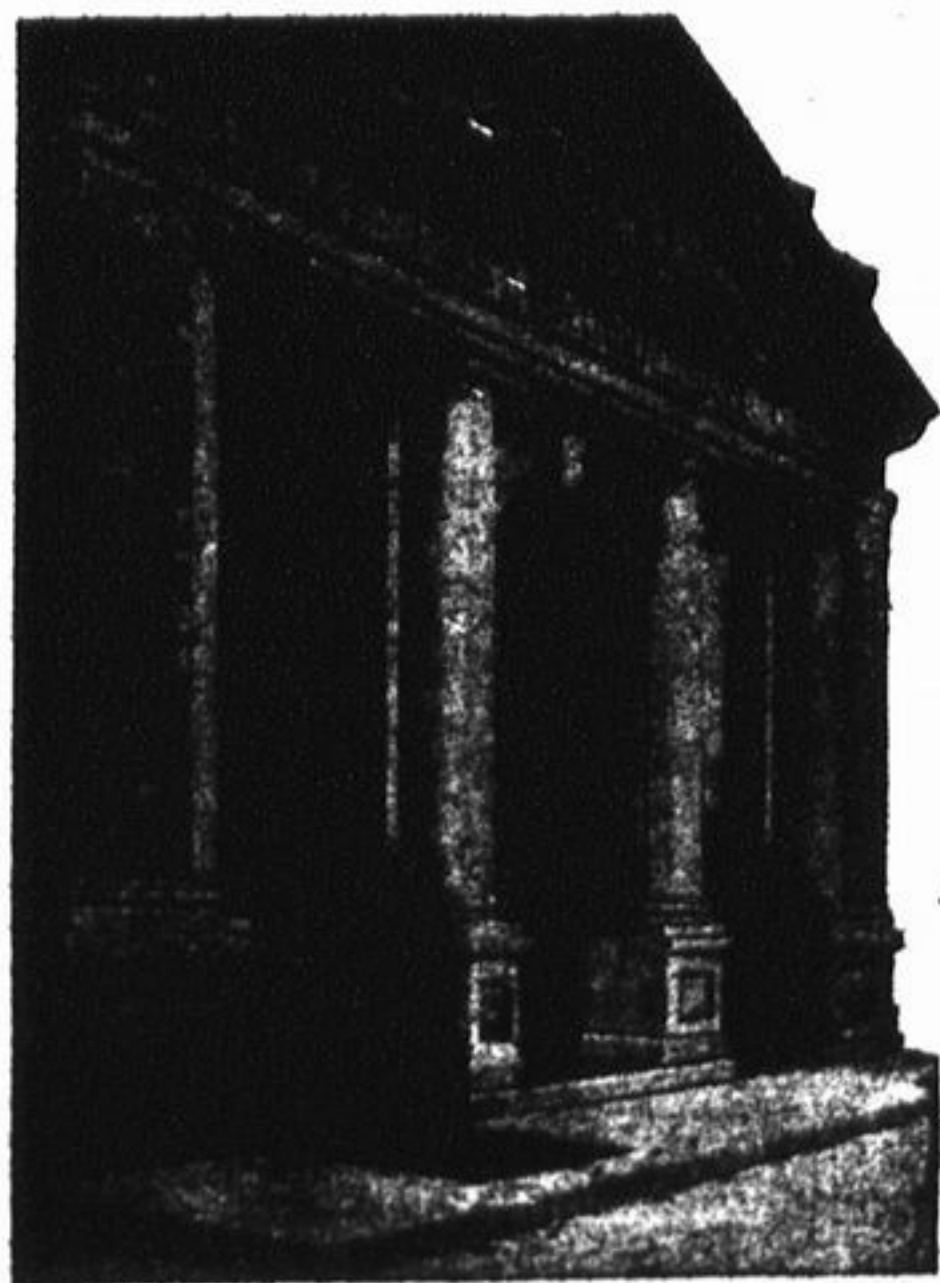


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24 oz. Wilson's Wet Mince Meat, per jar	25c
Wheat Hart Breakfast Food, 10c per pound, 3 pounds for	25c
2 lb. jar Apple Butter	25c
Fancy Santos Coffee, per pound	21c
Yeast Foam, per package	4c
Witch Macaroni or Spaghetti, 3 packages	25c
Large can Pears, in heavy syrup	22c
12 oz. jar Jellies, 3 for	25c
2 oz. bottle Gillette's Vanilla Extract	25c
Lusterwool, for cleaning Aluminum ware, package	10c
Waxoil for polishing furniture, floors, etc, quart can	50c
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SPECIAL: Yellow Split Peas, per pound 12c; 5 pounds	53c

During June, July and August this store will close every Wednesday at 12 o'clock noon. Kindly bear this in mind and tell your neighbors, when they come to town to shop on Wednesdays after noon. We will be prepared to give you best of service from 7 till 12 in the forenoon Wednesdays.

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Local News on Every Page!

OLD GLORY TO FLY AT LIBRARY NEXT SUNDAY

Parade, Opening of Red Cross Drive and Band to Make Things Lively.

There will be much doing in the Village next Sunday, May 19, when the Second Battalion of the Second Regiment, Illinois Reserve Militia has its battalion drill here.

First there will be a flag raising at the Public Library when the Stars and Stripes provided by the energy of the Khaki Kids will be hoisted. Then there will be a Red Cross rally with a Red Cross speaker, James H. Scott, of Geneva making the principal address.

For the occasion the Suburban Brass Band has volunteered its services and before and during the short

LETTERS FROM DOWNERS GROVE SOLDIER BOYS

John Pozdol, With Marine Corps Unit, Writes From French Hospital "Over There"

Somewhere in France
April 15, 1918.

Dear Walt:
Well here I am at last. I suppose its about time I dropped you a few lines, but I have been awful busy since I arrived here. We are always on the go.

This leaves me well and happy after a few weeks in these French hospitals and an operation which I went through with the best of luck. I am in hopes of getting back to the company, who are at the front again, soon.

Well old top what do you think of



YOUR LAST MONTH'S BILLS

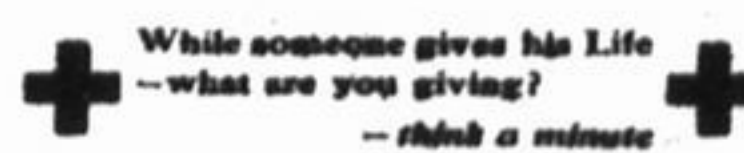
HAVE NO DOUBT BEEN PAID—BUT HOW?

IF YOU PAID THEM "IN CASH" IT IS DOUBTFUL WHETHER YOU HAVE RECEIPTS FOR MANY OF THEM.

IF YOU HAD PAID THEM "BY CHECK" YOU WOULD HAVE RECEIVED A RECEIPT FOR EACH AND EVERY ONE IN THE FORM OF A CANCELED CHECK. RECEIPTS OFTEN PROVE VALUABLE.

OPEN A CHECKING ACCOUNT TODAY

Farmer's and Merchant's Bank
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Some Reasons why Downers Grove People should swell the National Red Cross treasury by membership fees and contributions.

Your own boys will soon have worn out the knitted sets you gave them when they left and unless the national treasury has funds new sets or parts of sets cannot be supplied. The Red Cross is the only organization that can command Trans-Atlantic shipping facilities and secure delivery in France.

Your own boys will soon have worn out, lost or depleted their comfort kits—they can be resupplied only through the Red Cross.

Your own boys will need field and base hospital attention—they can be given it adequately and promptly only by a well financed Red Cross.

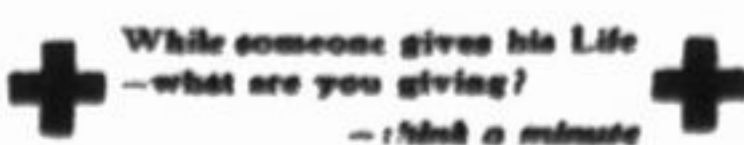
Your own boys will need the canteen service in America and France—without the ample funds the Red Cross cannot supply it. Your own boys will need suffering among the Belgian and French civil population. They will criticize you if the Red Cross is financially unable to relieve this suffering.

Your own boys will need hospital garments and hospital comforts in convalescent stations in France, England and America—it requires more funds to assure these.

Your own boys may be among the missing—the Red Cross is the only institution with facilities to locate prisoners, secure information and advise you. That work is expensive.

JOIN!

See that there is at least one \$2.00 membership in your family so that you receive the Red Cross Magazine and know how your money is spent.



program will discourse martial music. Also the "Q" battalion of the I. R. M., Riverside, LaGrange, Hinsdale and Downers Grove companies will parade and attend the flag raising and Red Cross rally before marching to the drill grounds at Highland avenue and the Plank road.

The line of march is as follows. Assemble at the high school, west on Maple avenue to Carpenter, south on Carpenter to Grove; east on Grove to Main; south on Main to Railroad, east to Washington; south to Curtiss and west on Curtiss to the Library. From the Library the battalion will march to the parade ground at Highland avenue and the Plank road.

The program will start promptly at 3 p. m. If the weather is inclement the rally will be held in the Congregational church.

The Red Cross rally is preliminary to the Red Cross drive which begins May 20. The Red Cross workers in the drive are under the supervision of Frank W. Young appointed by the Chicago chapter to direct the local drive.

Committees have been appointed to visit every home in the Village during the week for the purpose of making Downers Grove one hundred per cent Red Cross.

There will be singing as well as band melody at the flag raising and the short program will not interfere with your enjoyment of the battalion drill at its conclusion.

No Detriment.

Yeast—I see that blond typewriter of yours chews gum.

Crimsonbeak—Yes, I've noticed that.

"And don't you think it interferes with her work?"

"By no means. I had one before her who didn't chew gum, and her spelling was quite as bad."

this war? I'd like to tell you my opinion and how we are getting along but it may not pass the censor, but I can write this much the Boche knows he's got some fighting to do now.

We have been having some very bad weather here for the last three weeks, nothing but rain. I hope it clears up soon, so the boys have some dry weather. It's fierce in the trenches when its wet, the last time we were in we had to wear boots, all the time.

Thank you for sending the Reporter. I get it every once in a while and I sure enjoy them. The only thing I haven't got here is second class mail. I haven't received one package and I've had quite a few sent to me. Maybe some day I'll receive them but I doubt it.

Well Walt as it is nearly chow tin and my hand is getting sore and tired from waiting in bed I will have to close this letter for this time with good-bye and good luck and regards to all.

John (Pozdol)

81 Co. 6th, Mach. Gun Batt.
Am. Ex. Force. U. S. M. C.
via New York.

Camp Upton, L. I.,
May 10, 1918.

Dear Walt:
Just a few lines between jumps. They are busy issuing equipment tonight. Have been getting it issued to us for the last three weeks off and on. Received the May 3rd Reporter tonight. It followed us from Camp Logan. I did not know we were going to move so soon or I would not have had you send it there.

Of course you can imagine what our moving east means; when it will

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