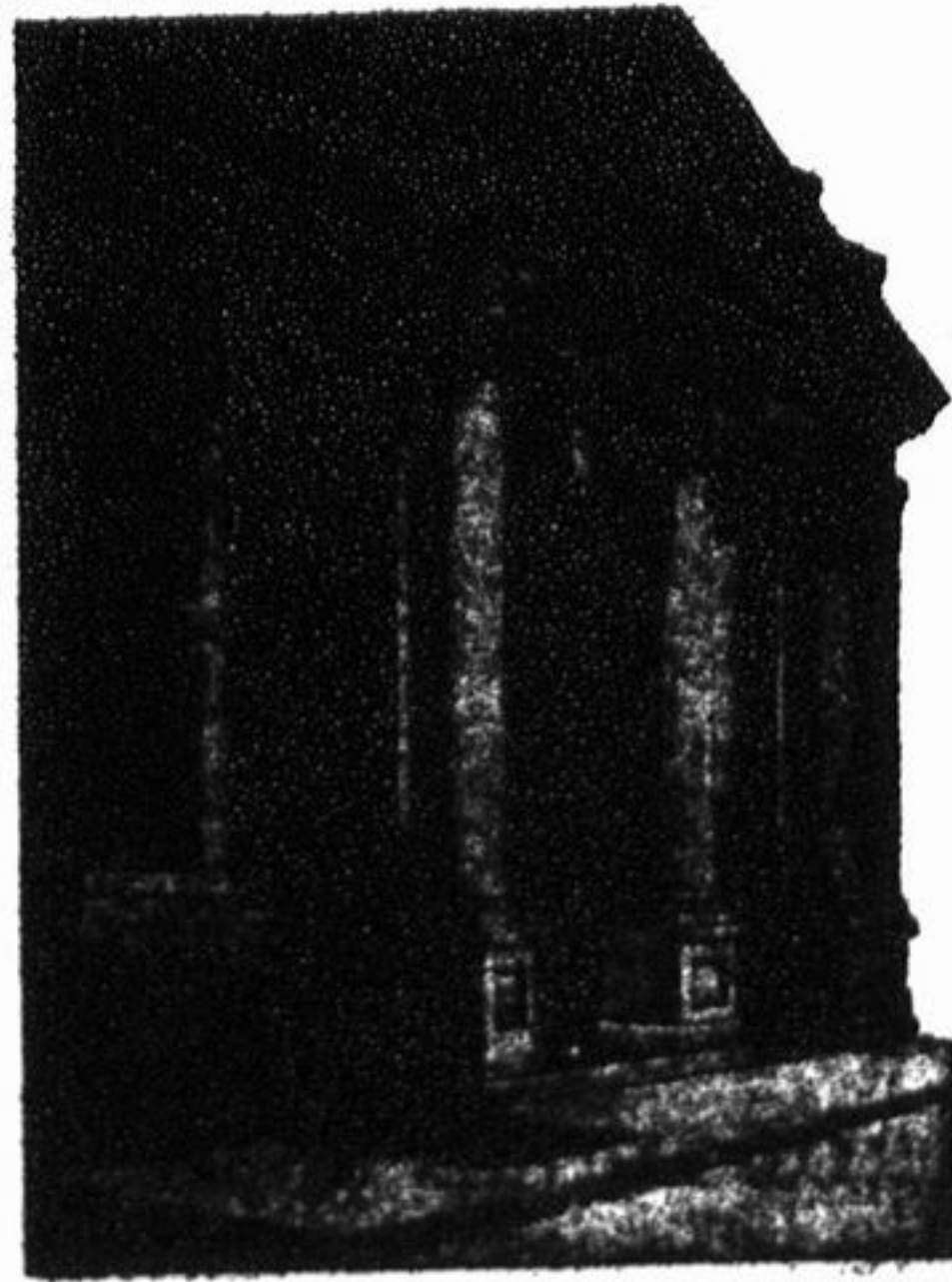


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**Liberty Loan Anticipation
U. S. Certificates of Indebtedness**

Dated July 9, 1918 Due November 7, 1918

The banks of this country have been called upon by the Treasury Department of the U. S. Government to purchase Certificates of Indebtedness in anticipation of the Fourth Liberty Loan. This bank, believing it to be its patriotic duty to respond to this call, will take its full quota of these certificates from time to time as the Treasury Department needs funds to finance the war. To the people of this community, who have responded so loyally in purchasing past issues of Liberty Bonds and who expect to take bonds of the Fourth Loan, and to those who may desire a short-time Government investment, we recommend the purchase of these Certificates, which we will supply in denominations of \$500, \$1,000 and upwards without profit to this bank.

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"CLOSED STREET CHURCH" IDEA ADOPTED IN CITY

Chicago City Council Grants use of Street for Worship - Plan Introduced Here last Year Followed

The "closed street church" has made its appearance in Chicago, according to a news item in the city press of last Friday. Sunday evening services are being held in the street by the Protestant churches of the Wilson Ave. district, the Chicago City Council having passed an order for the closing of Wilson Ave., between Hermitage Ave., and Paulina St., for this purpose. Considerable interest has been awakened in the undertaking.

Local readers smiled just a little when they were told in the news report that "So far as is known the only 'closed street church' to be established in the United States has just been opened." As a matter of fact they remembered that just a year ago the Chicago papers reported the introduction of the "closed street church" idea by the churches of Downers Grove, in connection with our successful open air campaign last summer. Downers Grove did not copyright their idea, and are glad that it has been adopted by the wide-awake churches of the North Side community, though the source of their suggestion may have been forgotten. The success of the plan here last summer and again this season, and its immediate acceptance by the North Side folks, seems to promise a rapid growth of the movement which may soon become nationwide.

Library corner presented a lively scene again last Sunday evening, with a large audience in attendance at the second out door service of the season. The day had been extremely warm, and it was evident that the cool, refreshing air of the evening, out under the trees, brought a sense of relief to the hundreds who gathered for the service. Doubtless many also obtained a higher relief in the encouragement and help which tired and weary hearts need above everything else. The quality of feeling, which could easily be sensed in the singing, found expression in the old-fashioned chorus, "I must tell Jesus all of my trials, I cannot bear my burdens alone." Careworn faces were brightened with the thought that the great Burden Bearer was near to help carry the load. Anxious hearts, troubled not for themselves but for loved ones far away, turned confidently to Him in the simple refrain, "I must tell Jesus, I must tell Jesus, I cannot bear my burdens alone." Spiritual consolation was conveyed in other forms of music, notably a male quartette selection by the quartette of the Baptist church, and a solo, "Just as I am," by Miss Gwen Griffiths, both of which were heartily received.

Rev. Paul Crusius, chairman of the evening, introduced as the speaker for the evening, the Rev. L. W. Goebel, pastor of the First Evangelical church of Chicago. Mr. Goebel spoke upon "The Call to Service," basing his message upon Acts 9:20—"And straightway he preached for Christ in the synagogues that he is the Son of God." Witness-bearing for Christ was the Christian's prime business on earth, said the speaker; a declaration of Him by our words, but more especially by our lives and service. The message was a direct, earnest appeal to men and women everywhere to bring the realities of the Christian religion into all relations of life, particularly in this time of stress and need.

Next Sunday evening's speaker will be Rev. William McCarrell, pastor of the Morton Park Congregational church. Mr. McCarrell has a vital message. He has had a phenomenally successful pastorate. He will be well worth hearing. Inspiring singing will be a feature of the meeting. The meeting begins at 8 o'clock.

A week from next Sunday the service will be of a patriotic nature. Morgan Williams, of Great Lakes, is expected as the principal speaker, and a Jackie's quartette, and possibly a section of the Jackie's band will be here. It is expected that a large delegation from Lisle will also be present to share the meeting that evening.

HOSTESSES AT JOLLY TARS CLUB AT WAUKEGAN

Downers Grove Ladies See Fifty-Seven Dozen Cookies Disappear in Less than 5 Hours.

Serving refreshments to a horde of hungry Jackies who consumed 57 dozen cookies in less than five hours was one of the experiences of representatives of the Downers Grove Mothers Club who officiated at the Jolly Tars Club in Waukegan the past week ends.

The club is maintained as one of the war activities of the National Congress of Mothers Clubs and Parents Teachers Association. It is located in a fine old residence set in spacious grounds atop a bluff overlooking Lake Michigan and to it report embryo sea fighters on "shore leave" from the Great Lakes Naval Training Station.

The club house contains a billiard room, reading room, music room, sewing room and refectory on the first floor, several rest rooms and writing rooms on the second and a great dormitory lined with cots each covered by a home-made patchwork quilt, on the top floor. Everything is free to the men uniform except lodging, the charge for this latter being 25 cents a night.

A resident hostess, whose husband is in the navy and stationed at Great Lakes, is able to supervise the club through the week but when the big Saturday and Sunday "liberty parties" come to Waukegan she must have help.

The first "hostess assignment" for the Downers Grove mothers was July 13 and 14. Mrs. James P. Mitchell of Downers Grove organized the party which was assisted, besides Mrs. Mitchell, by Mrs. H. Ray, Mrs. N. J. Stewart and Mrs. L. Stewart and Mrs. E. Stewart. The party motored to Waukegan with June Ehninger as chauffeur.

The first tack was to start a big coffee boiler in operation and set out baskets of home made cookies contributed by a dozen or more housewives of Downers Grove. What the Jackies thought of those cookies was plain from the first bite. One rosy-cheeked and home-sick youth from Texas confessed to eating fourteen with one cup of coffee. The average was about five to each sailor.

Mrs. Coleman's task was to play for the boys who wished to sing. Her first "trick" at the piano lasted nearly four hours and after a brief rest she went back for nearly three hours more.

The big rush came at bed time Saturday night. Every one of the scores of cots was taken early and Mrs. Mitchell and Miss Stewart had to contrive sleeping quarters for an overflow crowd, that bunked in practically every nook and corner of the big house. Mesdames Wm. J. O'Neill, Alice Heckman and Mrs. Taliaferro, the latter of Chicago, took the tasks of Mesdames Perron, Ray and Coleman on Sunday.

The following week the party consisted of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Bush, Mrs. John Graves, Mrs. Morgan and with Miss Lucille Bush as pianist. Another big crowd of Jackies visited the club, sang, wrote letters, romped on the lawns, kept the four phonographs going steadily and otherwise made the place hum.

The Downers Grove women who undertook this work were unanimous in declaring the experience "delightful". Many of the sailor boys have been invited to visit homes here and all the youths asserted that the local mothers were "the best bunch the club has had yet."

AN UNCENSORED LETTER

In a long delayed letter from the front a soldier boy begged his mother not to be anxious because he was writing from the hospital, since he was now alright, had suffered nothing but the loss of one foot, and was rapidly convalescing, adding: "It is a great comfort that before I was hit I sent three boxes to hell." Underneath the last words the censor has underscored in blue pencil, "You are not supposed to give information concerning the enemy's headquarters." Contracting.



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