## DIRECTORS OF THE RED (ROSS COMPLETE ORGANIZATION

Workers and More Workers Wanted at the Surgical Dressing Classes

The organization of the Downers Grove Branch of the Red Cross has been completed. The directors have elected officers and Mrs. Gillespie has named the executive committee members and the chairmen of the permanent committees. The personnel of these committees is to be named later The officers, executive committees and committee chairmen follow:

President - Mrs. J. D. Gillespie. Vice-President - Mrs. F. B. Keiser Secretary - Harry Bryce.

Executive Committee - Mrs. J. D. Gillespie, Chairman, Miss Fannie Stewart, J. F. Kidwell, Mrs. Keiser, Harry Bryce, Mrs. Wm. James, Mrs. Wm. O'Neil, Mrs. C. . Van Beynum Womens Work Committee - Mrs. M. K. Bush.

Membership - Mrs. E. J. Matson. Recruiting Committee - Mrs. H. P. Jones. (South Side; Miss Fannie Stewart, North Side.)

Due to the added duties as President. Mrs. Gillespie gives up the Chairmanship of the Women's Work and is succeeded by Mrs. M. K. Bush. Mrs. Keiser remains in charge of the Knitting and Mrs. Van Beynum in charge of surgical dressings.

This organization assures the village of an efficient Red Cross Branch during the coming year.

A ahipment of 100 refugee shirts

30 bath robes was made this week by the women's work committee.

The knitters shipped 100 pairs of socks and 56 sweaters. All materials are brought now by motor truck and shipments are made the same way.

All work in the hands of the local branch, whether finished or unfinished must be in Chicago by Sept. 1. At that time the Chicago Chapter will check up on all materials and it is necessary that everything, whether it be completed or not, be sent in by all branches and auxiliaries.

Wanted, Wanted, Wanted! Workers, workers, workers. Women are requested to come any time from 9:30 to 5:00 each Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. They will find K. Bush in charge on Tuesdays, Mrs. Gillespie on Wednesdays are not acquainted ask for the day

chairman in charge and she will intreduce you. Volunteer. Don't wait to be invited personally.

The Distinguished Service Banner awarded the village as the result of exceeding its quota in the second Red Cross War Fund drive, now hangs in the Red Cross rooms. The rooms are otherwise being decorated and improved. All windows have been made monquito-tight, shades donated by Leh man and Michel have been hung in the west windows, a clock that keeps time hangs on the wall, hooks have been put up for wraps, a wash stand been completed, mostly to the credit installed and additional shelves, cupboards and storage chests put in.

The Community League is planning to make some additional permanent improvements that will entail considerable expense but make the headquarters comfortable when snow flies

#### Special Eastern Star Day To Be Discontinued At The Red Cross Rooms

The Eastern Star has discontinued Tuesdays as special Eastern Star day at the Red Cross sewing room.

The plan in the future is to register the number of hours done through week. The change no doubt every one and as the completeness any of the boys over there you may and accuracy of the report sent to choose. the Grand Chapter will depend unon the willingness of the members to cheering the boys in a far off land cooperate in the plan by registering with the latest news from their home work done, we trust that the members will respond to this request at the same time pledging to do more worl in the days to come.

If there are those who have not found it possible to be enrolled as a Red Cross worker will you not make a special effort to rally to the cause which needs helpers so badly just now?

> SERVICE FLAG STARS Mothern, Come and Sew The Serivce Stars

Will you kindly come to the Red do so. Church, and sew on the star for you boy who has joined the service.

Stars are all basted on waiting for the mothers or near relatives to sou

### COMPANY H. **SQUIBLETS**

" Back to the scenes of my childhood" was a popular phrase sung out by the "old men" of Co. H. Monday evening as they hustled with the run of ten year olds along the dark and rocky road to Belmont. Once more a hot and sultry day was brought to a perfect close by a cool swim. The "ole swimmin hole" was none other than our kind friend Mr. R. secbree's cement tank at the Belmont road and Maple avenue, Before falling in everyone seemed to have a hunch that they were going swimming, when acting first Sergeant "Bill" Eichelman was seen to smile and laugh on so hot a night we then knew for a certainty we were going. Lic ... Sennett spilled the good news and erelong we were on our hasty advance to Belmont. "Bill" Smith and "Schlitz' were first "over the top" and the others followed close after, a good hours swim refreshed the men and take it from us they sure appreciate such things as the swimming tank and outings such as they enjoyed at Sebrec's and Yackley's. With this paper as a medium the members of Co. H wish to thank Mr. Sebree for the use of his tank.

Ten-shun! Co. H and Firemens Pienic Labor day! As you were:

As we said before several things made us think that Sebree tanks was our objective, well one was that Harold Erickson and Leo Rogers were at drill; you know that only happens now and then.

H. P. Jones is back again and the first night out, he gets busy with the pienic. Just like him, huh!

Sgt. Orsinger gets balled up on on commands once in a while but-that happens in the best of well regulated companies.

Capt. Balscynski, Sergeanta Carpenter, Waples and Kidwell are spening two weeks at extensive drill at Camp Steever, Ill. this camp has been opened by the state and is used as a civilian camp but mostly memebers of the Illinois Reserve Militia are attending.

There are some thirty men form Hinsdale attending the camp, When Capt. Bal gets back we are looking for some hard drills.

Ten-shun! Pienie Labor Day! with you be there? As you were!.

Rookie Drill every Wednesday eve and Mrs. Nash on Thursdays. If you ning why aren't you Ahere. Cleri Geisert has been kept busy of late with all the recruits but says he can take care of many more.

> Heres a deep one the second platoon is trying to solve. Can you do squads right when marching back-....

The following men have been con firmed as corporals by Col. Wilson, Clerk Geisert, Prvts Downes, Cham-

of Ser. Carpenter. This contains each mans kit number, rifle, address, both business and residential and also the telephone number of each man. To say the least it is very complete and

Dimiss!

### MR. STRAUBE DONATES MONEY FOR REPORTER

August 12th, 1918 Mr. C. H. Staats,

I am enclosing \$10.00 for which much more satisfactory to you will kindly send the Reporter to

I have felt for some time that you were doing more than your share in town and I am sure there are many more of our citizens who will not say "le George do it."

> Yours truly W. Straube.

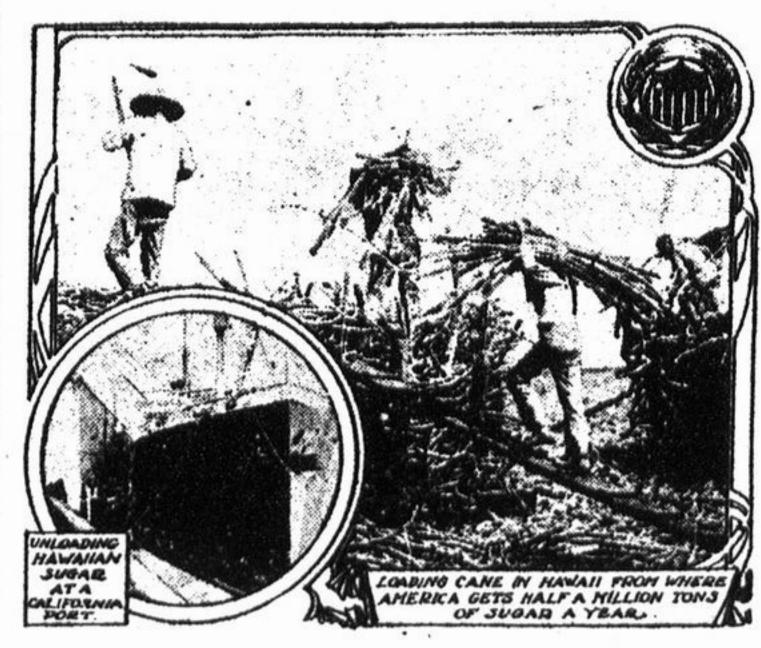
## THANK THE CLERGY

versary suggestion, and to say they to France like you fellows.

so. Too many letters have come to the fellow that sings so loud is go- the Rev. John Block in Chicago, Rev. permit answering each separately, ing to be a lieutenant in the navy. Block officiating. much as the Council would like to He is in the dental corps because he The young couple will take a short

thank them all, together and publicly. he gets his commission he can wear for a time. Officials of local bodies of the Coun- an officers suit and not the blouse and cil are also asked to make occasion to dinky little cap that the navy fellows thank the clergymen of their own lo- wear and I guess he will be glad when family left Wednesday for a two calities, individually and in the name he can wear his new clothes because weeks visit to Mr. Riggsbee's relaof the Council.

# Saving Sugar Saves Shipping



MERICAN families would have less sugar than the 1 people of war torn France, if we depended entirely on our home-grown sugar stocks.

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The United States Food Administration asks each family to limit its use of sugar to two pounds per month per person for household use. The military situation demands that every available ship be placed at the disposal of the Army or Navy. When we save sugar, we save shipping.

## A LETTER FROM OVER THERE TO A

Friend George:

it printed in the paper too.

so you wont have to tell the other fel- don't wont anyone to work all the lows when you see them, though may- time. be you don't see them very often, You and all the other fellows wit what the letter says because Mr. be glad to know that they are sewirg Staats has been sending The Reporter twenty more stars on the service flag to all the boys from the Grove but this week and that will make it he aint a going to send the paper any pretty full. more because the government won't But I guess that when they raislet him send any more free papers the service age from eighteen to for unless it is to Walter or Frank Dun- ty-five which Congress is talking a can or some other fellow that has bout that there will be a lot more worked for him. But that won't make stars in the flag and there can't be any difference because the masons too many because this is a job that have voted to pay for the paper for has to be done and Downers Grove is all the Downers Grove boys at the going to help do it. front so you will get the paper any There are a lot of other things to way and so will the other fellows and tell but I have forgotten just what A roster of the men of Co. H has you can tell what kind of a time we they are so I will close. are having here.

There aint anything happened here since you left except the usual things. Jim Chilvers says the town has been dead for three months and you know he knows for if there is anything that happens in the town that Jim don't know about it must have been when he was asleep and he don't go to bed till pretty late.

Maybe someone has written to you about the trip the Home Guards made to Oak Park a week or two ago. If they have you can skip this part. You know the Home Guards, they like to be called the Reserve Militia and that is what they are, they went to a regimental review where they all have to stand in line and not move a eyelash when the mosquitos bite them while the Colonel and the Major look them over and say they are all right. John Remmers he is in the first squad because he is big and tal! like Pat Barr and Guy Bush and he said that it rained pitchforks and the Colonel made them face it till the front of their coats and breeches were wet thru and then he turned them around and let their backs get wet so they wouldn't get cold and it was like going swimming without taking off your clothes.

Lieutenant Haebich that used to principal of the school before he went to Fort Sheridan and learned to be Seemingly nearly all the clergy- an officer is drilling the army at men of all faiths have written to the Camp Grant. He and Lieut. Reed were State Council of Defense to express here last Sunday and they both are Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Boydston and tant place. approval of the August 4 War Anni- sore because they have not been sent Mr. S. R. Block of Portland, Oregon

he got in an accident and busted his tives at and around Plymouth, Ill. the

has been on a furlough and he has lure FRIEND HERE had to walk instead of ride or else stay at home.

division or company or whatever it miles from home the garage man h is you belong to went over, I have can't run out to you and fix it up is a floor devted to the been seeing a lot of letters from the and charge you ten dollars unless you fellows that are over in France or are a doctor and you have to sta in The Reporter and I thought that so many garage men went into the I would write a letter to you and have army that the ones that were left had to work nearly all the time excep' That is I am going to ask Mr. when they were selling a new car o Staats to print it and maybe be will putting on a tire and the government

## AN AUTOMOBILE SURPRISE PARTY

Last Sunday was a red letter day for Mr. and Mrs. Edward Constantine of Lane Place for it unexpectedly brought to them five automobile loads of old friends.

were members of Cicero Lodge No. Chapter No. 741.

were produced from the automobiles.

Music, Instrumental and vocal, starries and a general good time kept the party busy until late evening those under restraint and the "pep" which present were: Mr. and Mrs. Jim Cerny and family, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Haslam and family, Mrs. Thomas Jones and sons Raymond and Rathard, Mrs. Louise Rumley, Mrs. Alma Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Vincent, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Riv and brother Bert, Mr. and Mrs. Julius Yirak, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Mar.in and Miss Edith Randolph.

## **BOYDSTON-BLOCK**

were married Thursday, August 15th. would comply with it, or had done | Charles Davis, you remember he is at the residence of the groom's uncle

is a dentist and can pull teeth and he honeymoon trip and on their return rooms, old Congregational Theretore, this occasion is taken to has passed his examination and when will make their home in the village en. \$1.00 a dozen if you furnish ma- Orsinger, Mr. and Mrs. G. O. Prickett

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Riggsbee and place where he was raised:

dinner in the most exclusive homes in the city are an important part of the hospitality which the W. C. C. S. is spreading about this particular cantonment. In addition there is the Travelers' Aid, offering information and protection to travelers, the Girls' Protective Bureau whose particu'ar busform for tender teen ages, the housing bureau containing a list of all available living quarters in Rockfordall offered without charge to soldiers and their guests and relatives. The simple fact that a man wears a uniform is all the recommendation that he needs to obtain the aid of any

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For the Entertaiment of

Soldiers and Visitors

Making 50,000 men in khaki at

mission on Training Camp Activi-

ties. The red circle is the insignia of

red triangle.

Formed in Rockford

partment of the W. C. C. S., the use of the club buildings or invitatations to dinners and parties on the recreation schedule. Wholesome entertainment with homelike surroundings is made so attractve that temptations and opportunities for evil father's new car and Ford Davis which abound in even the best reguthought a lot or that car and Charles lated cities and camp towns do not

Three of the clubs are in operation,

while the fourth will be opened shot. It is pretty tough now for the fel- ly. Of these the largest in the city and Since I got that card from you sa. lows that have automobiles, they have the finest in the country is the Heading that you had arrived safely passed a new law and it says that quarters Soldiers' club, which has somewhere over there and they had garages cannot keep open on Sunday been in operation a little over a not blowed up the transport on which not even to sell a new tire and if you month. It is located in the heart of you and all the other fellows in your have a blowout or run out of gas ten the city and over six thousand men are regestered there each week. There of soldiers, where they may press their clothes, shave, etc., play pool maybe by now in Germany, printed there all night. They did that because billiards and other games, read, write or simply lounge in luxuriously soft and beautiful chairs or roomy davenports. The homelike atmosphere which is missing from so many soldier's clubs, and so noticeably from army barracks, abounds in this club. The hostess suite is an exact reproduction of many an old southern home with its huge archways, white woodwork and gayly flowered chintz cushions and curtains. The reception, music and writing rooms which make up the suite are as attractive as soft blue and gray rugs, and willow furniture, also gray, can make it. This suite is for the particular use guess of the soldiers, wives, mothers, sweethearts and sisters, as a meeting and resting place. There is also a charmingly furnished dressing and rest room for exclusive use of feminine guests and everything in the entire building is ever at the disposal of men in khaki or their guests, without charge. The recreation hall is a huge room which is used for game parties, dances, programs etc., and which is in use almost every nght in the week.

The recreation program includes motor trips, canoeing, steamboat rides up Rock river, dancing, supper parties, swimming, week-end invitations in private homes in the city or The visitors were from Cicero and nearby country place, tennis, golf and Morton Park and nearly all of them a weekly community sing as well as the privilege of sleeping in a real 955 A. F. and A. M. and Eastern Star bed between sheets on Saturday nights. Invitations are waiting for all Shortly after the surprised greet, these are waiting for every man who ings tables appeared on to Constan- applies to the W. C. C. S., which is tine lawn and baskets of edibles trying as far as possible to surround the man in camp with the same sort of recreation to which he was accustomed when in civil life. The hours training camp life brings is proper outlet in the recreation offered and homesickness is forgotten, while contentment - so important in camp life replaces discontent.

Prominent Rockfordites make up the general and executive commitnine paid workers who are aiding in every way possible to make the soldiers at Camp Grant happy. Their work is also to make the visits of loved ones of the men in khaki happy B. L. Kellogg on Maple avenue. memory spots - memories in which Miss Ruth Boydston, daughter of the red circle will occupy an impor-

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## PATRIOTS WANTED THIS STATE

Camp Grant contented is the partic-Enlist .-. be. a. Pershing. Patriot ular business of the War Camp Coma Sure Enough go-getter munity Service of Rockford, repreand stick-withit kind. senting the War Department Com-

> "What new victory has Pershing won today?"

the organization and stands for the "Our boys have the Hun on the run. hospitality with which camps in the Wonder how many they captured to-United States are surrounded. Every

soldier places this insignia on quite "Nothing can stop our boys when the same plan as the red cross and they once get into the fighting."

This is the kind of talk we hear Four beautiful club houses in Rockevery day now, as the news of Amerford - the city adjacent to Camp Grant ican victories overseas fills all news? and a recreation program offering papers .We can hardly wait for our every form of entertainment from capaper to arrive to find out what Gennoeing on Rock River to enjoying eral John J. Pershing and his boys

If finding out what Pershing is doing in France is the biggest thing in the world to us, don't you suppose that General Pershing is just as anxious to learn what you are doing over here? Don't you think he would like to get a list of millions of Americans who are standing behind him with their money and their labor, instead of just talking and cheering a little as they go about their business or their pleasures as usual?

Pershing patriotic week, Aug. 15th to 22nd, under the auspices of the War Savings Committee of Illinois, is designed to let General Pershing know what we, over here are doing.

A list of not fewer than 3,000,000 Pershing Patriots from Ittmois must be compiled during this week. Every signer must be a purchaser of War Savings Stamps. The money he thus invests is not a gift to the government, but merely a loan at good interest. It is proof, however, that we who remain at home are determined to see that the army commanded by General Pershing does not lack for food, munitions or ships to carry them across the seas, and that we will be behind them until the Amercan flag flies over the kaiser's castle at Potsdam, and an American peace is signed in Berlin,

There are many ways, all of them good, of helping to win this war. One way is to subscribe liberally to Liberty Loans,

Another way is to give to the Red Cross, Y. M. C. A., Knights of Columbus, Salvation Army or other organizations which are working for te good of our army in France and in America,

A third way is to follow the mandates of the Food Administration, in order that our allies and their troops may be fed.

But the best way of all is to invest, regularly, in War Savings Stamps, for this not only furnished our Government with money, but, if we invest in sufficient amounts to count, it forces us to practice additional economies after we have met all the other demands upon us.

These additional economies are, after all, the important things, for they cut down the civilian demand for materials, transportation and labor, all of which the Government must have in enormous quantities if it is to supply the things needed in war.

Money alone is of no value to a nation in war time. The Government might have billions of dollars piled up in its treasury. But if these dollars were not transmuted into ships and guns and food and clothing and shells through the medium of labor which changes the raw products into finished goods and transportation which carries them to France, the money would do no good.

After all, wars are won by "blood and iron," about which the old Bismarck talked so much.

Pershing's men are ready to shed the blood if necessary.

Our dollars must furnish the iron. No patriot can afford to have the Pershing Patriot list go forward to the commander of the American army in France with his name missing.

## AN ENJOYABLE OUT DOOR LUNCHEON

Lieut. R. H. Bennett, or our local tees in addition to a staff of twenty- company I. R. M. and wife were most royally entertained by their friends at an out of door six o'clock luncheon, given at the home of Mr. and Mrs.

The evening was the most suitable for the occasion, and all as well as Lieut. and Mrs. Mrs. Bennett, enjoyed the treat immensely. Those present were: Lieut, and Mrs. R. H. Bennett, Mr and Mrs. B. L. Kelogg, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Your vegetables canned by the doz- C. A. Carlson, Mr. and Mrs. L. V. and Mr. Plumley.

Mr. Bennett has recently been granted a commission as first Lieutenant and will soon leave for service in the Engineers corps of the U. S. A.