

TWO OF THE GREATEST ENEMIES OF OUR CIVILIZATION

Governor Lowden Says They Are Autocracy Abroad And Bolsheviki And Pro-Germans Home

(By Governor Lowden)

Word has reached us this evening of a great tragedy in Chicago in which, as is supposed, some sympathizer of the I. W. W. had thrown a bomb into the federal building, which resulted in the loss of four lives and the maiming of twenty others.

The I. W. W.—the American Bolsheviki have not united with the other classes in this country. They are the allies only of the traitorous pro-German, and just as the Bolsheviki in Russia and the Prussian autocracy of the German Empire are hand in hand going forward, so the traitors of our country and the Bolsheviki, that group of people who—under the teaching, sometimes of misguided and sentimental university professors—are plotting the overthrow of orderly, decent society. We of America must face these two foes at the same time.

Ninety-five of their number are found guilty of criminal practice and sentenced to the penitentiary. This bomb today, thrown into that building, is a justification for the heavy sentence which Judge Landis rightfully imposed upon them.

Among those who were slain that afternoon were a Jackie, wearing his country's uniform. The life of that one Jackie was worth more to his country and to civilization than the ninety-five sentenced to the penitentiary, with all in this country who follow them and their ruinous and destructive teachings.

Whoever, within the borders of our state or within the borders of our country, teaches in any degree lawlessness and disorder is an accomplice of the Bolsheviki. Who ever does not stand rigidly and firmly for the law, wherever the law may lead, is an enemy to our land in this supreme crisis of our nation's life.

The man today who will seek to arouse a feeling of hatred as between the classes for any end to be accomplished for his own use, is an accomplice of the Bolsheviki.—Speech at Bankers banquet, September 4, 1918.

SCHOOLS OPENED GOOD ATTENDANCE

The public schools opened Monday with a large attendance. The number enrolled in the grades and High School was larger than at the opening a year ago. This speaks well for the community and the schools, as many of the schools opened this year, with the attendance greatly reduced. We trust the parents will keep the boys and girls in school, and especially those in the High School. The nation and the state need educated men as never before—men who can think straight as well as shoot straight. In the construction period following the war we shall need trained minds as well as trained muscles. Francis G. Blair, Superintendent of Public Instruction, for the State of Illinois, says, we can supply the crippled soldiers with artificial limbs, but there is no form of pedagogy by which we can repair the loss of educational opportunities and training. We shall have lost heavily, whatever victory may attend our arms, unless we raise up a generation of intelligent and well trained men to act as leaders in the great reconstruction period.

UNCLE SAM WANTS YOUR WALNUT TREES

Red Cross Has Been Enlisted To Give First Aid In Search For Timber For Propellers

It is announced at Washington that the government must have more walnut timber, if it is to supply sufficient airplanes and guns to the men in France. It has asked the Red Cross to give first aid in the search for walnut trees in this emergency.

The Red Cross has planned a campaign to assist the Bureau of Aircraft and the small arms section of the Ordnance department. It is sending notices to all local chapters asking members to find owners of walnut trees and urge them to sell their trees to the mills that hold government contracts.

Propeller blades and gunstocks are made of walnut. No substitute has been found that is just as good, and walnut is now put down as an essential to winning the war.

Walnut trees are found mostly in small groups throughout the country, nowadays. Many people have good trees in their yards. The only way to find them is to enlist all the people in the search, and tell the nearest Red Cross official when any is found.

SIDE LIGHTS ON COMPANY H

The commanding officer of the Second Regiment Illinois Reserve Militia has arranged for a shooting match to be held Sept. 28, in the 2nd. Regiment Armory. Any member of the 2nd. Regiment is eligible to shoot. Co. H is working hard to form a winning team. Tuesday and Thursday nights of each week are set aside for rifle practice in the gym. In order to find out who the good shots of the company are Capt. Bal has arranged a schedule whereby each man has a chance to prove his worth. At present there are three men in the company who could qualify for sharpshooter's medals, if they were given to Reserve Militiamen. To qualify for a sharpshooter's medal a score of 140 or better out of a possible 150 must be made. Sgt. Eichelman has a score of 145, Artificer McDougal and Capt. Bal both have made scores of 141. Eight other men have rung up scores which would qualify them for marksman's medals. The team from Company H which will compete in the match will consist of eight men and two alternates.

Some wild time was had at the picnic Saturday. Even Corp. Downer had a good time selling tickets for the wheel and working hard otherwise.

Wm. Straube seems to be still mourning over the fact that Charley Mochel took that "spill which lost his ham."

The married ladies potato race was exceedingly exciting especially the finish. If you don't believe it ask Sgt. Ovinger who almost lost his life trying to settle affairs.

Saturday proved the Militia and Firemen invincible. First the weather man tried to put the damper on the fun and then the lighting system tried to do likewise but as has been said before Co. H is not to be beaten.

On Sunday a. m. the company or part of it cleaned up the picnic grounds and Sgts. Carpenter, Kidwell and Eichelman tried to get out of a little work so Capt. Bal designated them as the "three lazy sergeants." Henceforth they shall be called such.

A new command was found Sunday a. m. which is "as scavengers! march! To be sure they were some scavengers."

You had better be at drill Monday evening or someone may come and get you.

The most attractive gift at the wheel was the allied flags and standard. A fortune might have been taken for these alone.

Both the Firemen and members of Co. H have seen what the town people will do for them and in the future they will show what they will do for you.

We saw many on the dance floor when the lights went out that were not there before or after, perhaps it was a good time to hide their clumsiness.

Ed. Lacey is now Corporal of the "Pec Wee" squad. Atta boy, Ed.

"Bill" Smith holds the record of selling the most tickets to the picnic. He has not completed the count yet.

A number of rookies were sworn in Monday. Their names will appear in next week's column.

Someone queries, "what has Sgt. Eichelman on his upper lip." A mustache? Maybe.

The squad that did the most work at the picnic gets silk hat cords. Tank and his sixth squad are ready to receive them.

The dance floor was a popular place after the price of a "hop" came down to a jitney.

We can't think of anything to say except "Company H needs you!"

Corp. Huntington found the easiest way to report his squad Monday night by saying, "all absent except myself." The great number of absentees caused Capt. Bal to become desperate, so on Friday evening each corporal must show a written statement from each man in his squad stating why he was not present. The Captain does not want any slackers in the Company and any man who is absent without showing good reason may be branded a slacker.

Friendship. Friendship is the transfiguration of service; the creation of a new motive; redeeming life from its drudgery, and sending the pulse-beat of joy into the most trivial task.—Donald Sage Mackay.

In Spite of All Sorts of Difficulties Co. H and Firemen Succeeded In Running Picnic

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- 1. Quadruped Race. Won by Lloyd Jones.
2. Blind Bag Race. Won by Carl Wanda.
3. Legged Race. Won by Bruce Bush and Carl Kellogg.
4. Thrift Stamps. Louis Klein.
5. 3 Legged Race. Won by Bruce Bush and Carl Kellogg.
6. Blind Bag Race. Won by Carl Wanda.
7. Blind Bag Race. Won by Florida Waples.
8. 100 Yard Dash. Won by Stanley Huntington.
9. 100 Yard Dash. Won by Katherine Fraber.
10. Sack Race. Won by Bud Smith.
11. Find Shoes & Return. Won by Lester Barry.
12. Find Shoe & Return. Won by Irene Tank.
13. One Legged Race. Won by Bud Smith.
14. Hop Skip and Jump. Won by O. F. Carlson.
15. Old Men's Race. Won by Geo. Hoffert.
16. Old Ladies' Race. Won by Mrs. S. J. Brown.
17. Married Men's Race. Won by O. F. Carlson.
18. Married Ladies' Race. Won by Mrs. Mabel Uhlhorn.
19. Children's 50 Yard Dash. Won by Virgil Sutter.
20. Children's 50 Yard Dash. Won by Beatrice Nielsen.
21. Children's 50 Yard Dash. Won by Paul Butcher.
22. Children's 50 Yard Dash. Won by Virginia Scott.
23. Single Men's Race. 100 Yards. Won by Leo Rogers.
24. Girls Race. 75 Yards. Won by Vera Frank.
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27. Fat Men's Race. Won by P. Beckman.
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30. Running High Jump. Won by O. F. Carlson.
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- 1. Potted Fern. Won by Mrs. John Wenzell.
2. One Jardiner. Won by Mrs. John Wenzell.
3. Cornish Rooster. Won by Mrs. John Wenzell.
4. 5 lbs Honey. Won by Mrs. John Wenzell.
5. 1 Wb-p. Won by Mrs. John Wenzell.
6. Paper & hanging. Won by Mrs. John Wenzell.
7. \$5.00 in trade. Won by Mrs. John Wenzell.
8. 1 Box Stationary. Won by Mrs. John Wenzell.
9. 1 Electric Flashlight. Won by Mrs. John Wenzell.
10. 4 Thrift Stamps. Won by Mrs. John Wenzell.
11. 2 Thrift Stamps. Won by Mrs. John Wenzell.
12. 1 Box Stationary. Won by Mrs. John Wenzell.
13. 1 Framed Picture. Won by Mrs. John Wenzell.
14. 1 Box Cigars. Won by Mrs. John Wenzell.
15. 1 French Doll. Won by Mrs. John Wenzell.
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Downers Grove people will remember that among the first Americans to go to France after the declaration of war, were the members of the Hospital Unit organized by Northwestern University, Base Hospital No. 12. One of the members of that unit was Norman E. Anderson of Downers Grove. The Chaplain was Dr. J. S. Dancy, Pastor of the Englewood Methodist Church. Dr. Dancy has just returned from France, and is helping the country's cause by giving a great lecture, "Heart Throbs of the Great War." The Epworth League of the Methodist Church, of which Norman Anderson was president at the time of his enlistment, has secured from Dr. Dancy a promise to give his lecture in Downers Grove in the near future. The date will be announced in next week's Reporter. This will be an unusual opportunity for the people of Downers Grove to get a first hand report of the conditions "over there" where so many of our boys are now serving our country's cause.

TO PREVENT ANOTHER YEARS SEED CORN SHORTAGE

State Council Proclaims Three "Seed Corn Weeks" to Safeguard Illinois CROP NEXT YEAR

War Workers! Don't let the farmers of your community overlook the State Council's latest Seed Corn campaign.

"Beat the frost to the Seed Corn," is the call that will be repeated by the distribution of 250,000 circulars throughout Illinois this week, and every week until frost comes.

This call to select seed corn early, select plenty of it, and store it properly, is headed the "Lesson of 1917." It is an attempt to prevent the repetition of last year's seed corn shortage when early frosts nearly wiped out the seed corn supply of the whole state.

Northern district, September 15 to 22. Central district, September 20 to 27. Southern district, Sept. 25 to Oct. 2.

During these weeks the State Council urges its representatives to use all efforts to induce the farmers to select a seed corn supply for two years and store it properly.

The Food Production and Conservation Committee of the Council has issued the following instructions for the selection and storage of seed corn:

- 1. Ears of medium size only should be chosen.
2. The grain should be well dentured; corn will make satisfactory seed as soon as the grains are dented.
3. The ears should be of good shape, but early maturity must not be sacrificed for fancy points.
4. Ears should be chosen which hang down, because they shed water.
5. The shank should be of medium length and diameter.
6. There should be two good stalks in the hill from which a seed ear is taken.
7. As soon as the seed corn is picked, it should be husked and placed so that air can circulate freely around every ear. Never pile it on the floor, even over night, as it will soon heat or mould.
8. Nothing should take precedence over the selection of seed corn during Seed Corn Week.

IMPORTANT MEETING CALLED SATURDAY

To the members of the Executive and Neighborhood Committees of DuPage County State Council of Defense:

A joint session of the above committee is hereby called to meet in the County Court Room in the Court House at Wheaton on Saturday, September 14th, 1918 at 1:30 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of considering and taking action upon the following matter:

Nearly eighteen months participation in the great war has shown that we cannot reach our utmost power until all the economic, moral and spiritual forces of the nation are mobilized behind the efforts of the Government to win a speedy victory.

Naturally these forces must, in part, find expression through community efforts, and to this end community organizations are being formed all over the country in harmony with the suggestion of Our President. DuPage County already has several community councils which are doing excellent work.

It is now proposed to organize the remainder of the County into Local centers through which the people may develop their own best efforts and in their own way support all worth war activities.

The work of the meeting which is hereby called will be to outline the several community centers in the county, the general plan of organization, leaving them locally to complete the work.

All members of the above committees are therefore earnestly requested to be present at the meeting and like invitation is extended to citizens of the County generally. Each member of the committee is expected to extend this invitation generally to the people and to bring to the meeting as many citizens as possible.

Fred W. Von Oven, Chairman Neighborhood Committee. Lewis Ellsworth, Secretary. Mazzini Slusser, Chairman Executive Committee. Mary B. Coulter.

NOTICE!

There will be an allowance of \$5 made to every Downers Grove student attending Patterson Business Institute of La Grange. This sum covers the excess car fare.

If you should intend to enroll for night school call at the school office Tuesday or Friday evening.

A splendid new building will be erected for the sole use of P. B. I.



They're in to Win

Fair targets, every one of these men, for the German riflemen and machine gunners hidden behind the parapet.

But they are not thinking of the bullets whizzing past them; of the shells bursting over their heads.

They are intent on one thing—to scale that bank, take the bridge head and win the day.

And these men are made of the same stuff as all true Americans who read these words.

If we are the same stuff, let us prove it. Let us get into the fight as they do—to the limit—for Victory!

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