# FROM LISLE AND BELMONT

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The Ladies Aid met at the home of Mrs. Charles Lacey last Thursday and will hold their next meeting at the home of Mrs. Arthur Griffin Thursday, November 21st.

The Girls Service League held their meeting Tuesday evening with Miss Genevieve Lacey at her home.

Mrs. George DuMoulin spent last week in Aurora helping to take care of a sick friend. August Riedy, son of Mr. and Mrs.

A. Riedy went to the St. Charles hospital in Auroraa ior an operation last week and is doing nicely.

Miss Hazel Nelson of St. Charles is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Plumb and family for a few days.

### A WAR GOVERNOR'S VIEWS

Honorable Frank O. Lowden, the great war governor of Illinois, himself a farmer and stockman, in speaking of th "Chicago Live Stock Exposition," which will be again held dur ing the first week in December, ex-

pressed him self as follows: "The International Live Stock Exposition, since its beginning, has been one of the notable institutions of our country. The great breeders of the continent have brought to it their best productions, and it has been poweful influence in stimulating the live stock industry. Now its importance has been doubled, because of the war. Its example and efforts are needed in urging the production of live stock to meet the demands of our armies, our alies, and ourselves, but it should play also a great part in preparation for the period after the

"The destruction of live stock in Europe has been enormous, and Americans must be prepared to furnish largely breeding stock for the belligerent countries after the war is over.

"I should regard it a mart favorable augury, for both the successful conduct of the war and for the future as well, if the International this year were to surpass all previous records. I shall be glad to do anything I can to accomplish this end."

This is the opportunity to absorb the lessons whis institution teaches and at the : ame tome you would, by attending, encourage those back of this effort with your presence.

### THE WORLD'S GREATEST EFFORT

This year's International Live Stock Exposition will present the largest array of live stock ever gathered together. It is a matter for congratulation that the United States has been able not only to preserve but augment its seed stock during the war period, while European herds and flocks have either been destroyed or depleted. This seed stock is of inestimable

value and much of it is not for sale at any price. It represents the achievement of American and European breed ers during many years, both across the Atlantic and in this hemisphere. Probability exists that part of these

herds and flocks will go to Europe during the reconstruction period, and the "1318 International" will afford an unprecedented opportunity to witness the present animal wealth of the North American continent.

greatest live stock display. At enormous increase in expense, both by exhibitors and the management, this show has been staged this year with added features and increased numbers. Breeders have not only loyally responded to the request of the management for a creditable display, but displays will show that advancement has been made during a period of unprecedented stress.

This gigantic exhibition may not be possible of repetition during the post bellum period, hence we urge seeing this wonderful show during the first week in December.

#### UNITED STATES TREASURY CALLED FOR REDEMPTION

November, 8th, 1918. All United States Treasury Certificates of Indebtedness of series IV. D., dated August 6, 1918 and maturing December 5, 1918, are hereby called for redemption on November 21, 1918 at par and accrued interest pursuant to the provision for such redemption contained in the Certificates.

On November 21, 1918 interest on all Certificates of said series will cease to accrue. Federal Reserve Bank Of Chicago,

Government Bond Department.

Sight Not to Be Forgetten. Then one is fortunate enough to see t swams etched upon the sky

### A WALLED CITY OF WOMEN

A little sunny village has grown up inside a high wall in France within the last year. Its square flat houses stand In straight even rows and along one side of the city wall is a long dormitory for single women. There are many more of them than of the families in the drab little houses. The village is full of women-old, young, middleaged-whose faces, hands and hair slowly are turning yellow from the powder which it is said will eventually affect their lungs. But most of them are refugees and the fact that they are giving up their good looks, their health, and perhaps their lives in the munition factory, is of little moment to them. They have come into the walled town from ruined villages and devastated farms with their frightened little quest of the Hun.

No one comes into this little war community that centers around the big new munitions plant but those who work. Because of the danger and the blighting yellow powder, the work is literacy.

The women wear overalls or apron dresses, some of black sateen, some nondescript. The dult garb harmonizes with the yellowing faces and despair-

ing eyes. Into this modern walted city of despair the Elne Triungle has flashed the womanhood of the Nation; because within reach. The curs which find the national output. cafes at the end of the line a mile save fuel. The city is three miles

from the factory. "My problem," writes the Y. W. C. go to bed and sleep, physically tired of life." out from playing."

She goes on to tell of some of the women and girls who come to the

"There is a pretty little round, rosychecked girl here who is just beginning to show the effects of the powder. The roots of her hair and her forebead are a pule yellow. The palms of her hands are a deep burnt orange and her hands and arms a bright yellow.

"There is an ex-professional dancer, an interesting girl who enjoys the foyer and helps entertain the other girls. There is a professional planist who does her hit at the noon and evening hours. There is one rough-andready girl who speaks English, whose father was un laukeeper in northern France. There is a pretty little girl who is engaged to a French soldier who still is rejoicing over the five minutes she had with him recently during an air raid. His mother is the careinker here and he is one of six sons in the war. Two of them are German military prisoners, two are civil pris- "Cow week" for December. During opers in Germany and two are soldlers that week literature will be distributed north of France was destroyed and she escaped with a small bundle of such things as she could carry in her hands,

"There is a sweet-faced girl who was a lacemaker in Valenciennes, who came direct to us from the Germanridden section after a hard experience in getting away.

These are the women the Blue Triangle is helping to forget-perhaps only for an hour at a time—the horrors that have blackened their hearthstones and darkened the world.

"My foyer," the secretary writes, "consists of a hall and two large rooms with cement floors. One has a writing table and paper, pens and ink, sewing machines, a cupboard with teacupa in it, a large table with papers and magazines, easy chairs and my desk. The other room has a plane, more tables, chairs, troning boards and a Victroia. The International is the world's There are unframed French pictures and American and French war posters around the room. The walls are paint-

ed gray and white. Saturday evenings they sing and dance. "First they have a chorus," writes the secretary, "such as 'Le Revé Passe' or the 'Hymne des Aviateurs' or something equally thrilling, and at the final notes of triumph a voice at my ears hegs, 'Un polkn, mees,' The polka finished, there is a call for the 'Hymne Americain' and we sing the 'Star-Spangled Banner, (Le Drapeau Etelle)

in two languages," These foyers have been established in several munition centers in France. keeping or stenography, that they may work in the offices of the American Expeditionary Forces. In connection

tian association has opened club- o.c. 1 brown Gel ing 4 years old, rooms for the sixteen thousand French black Gelding coming 3 years old, women employed in the offices of the war department

So successful has been the foyer work in France that a rall has come from England to the American Y. W. and foyers across the channel. The of Breeching Harness. English Y. W. C. A. has established Wm. Ehrhart & A. W. Foster , Props. centers for munitions workers on a smaller scale, but after inspection of Clerk. the American work in France the four English representatives to the Allies' Women's congress in Paris in August, officially requested that the American W. C. A. undertake stiallar work in

### THE SECOND LINE OF DEFENSE

Council of National Defense Appeals To Every Community to Start A Back to School Drive

S(HOOL

A forceful appeal comes from the Field Division of the Council of National Defense to all communities to make it community business to see that the boys and girls of school age are kept in school in spite of all temtations of industry to turn them into wage earners.

YOUNGSTERS SHOULD

BE SENT BACK

"First in point of time among nations the United States announced children, their despairing old people, the principle of universal and free carrying all their earthly possessions school and first also, it put the prinin tiny bundles. In their individual ciple into practice," says the appeal lives there is no future; in all their from director Clarckson. "Time has world there is no interest but the con- proved the wisdom of the tradition. The many illiterates who appeared with the draft have been a serious handicap, giving new proof that a successful democracy must be based on

all show that to send the child to ous tension. On the skill of their finwage work instead of to school is not gers and the accuracy of their eyes deonly bad policy but bad business. Because child labor saps the elasticity of childhood, it thereby deteriorates the quality of the manhood and the first message of hope. The Y. W. C. A. uses up labor power and thus reduces foyer is the only recreational center the number of skilled workers, it limits

away, stop running at seven o'clock to has said that 'No boy or girl shall have less opportunity for education because of the war. Thinking men and A. secretary in charge, "is to keep the women agree therefore that every women occupied in the evenings, to child should be at school until it is at give them good healthy amusement so least moderately prepared in body that they will forget their sorrows and and mind for the tasks and purposes

### PLANNING FOR "COW WEEK"

State Department of Agriculture Undertakes to Improve Dairy Herds And Practices.

The Dairy Division of the State Department of Agriculture has started a "Cow Campaign," which is to have the hearty co-operation of the Food Production and Conservation Committee of the Council of Defense.

"More cows and better cows" is the slogan of the department, "The Cow," says the department, is the foster mother of the world. Preserve her improve her breed, help her to , ..... more and better dairy products, and with milk scarce and high and half

ounce portions of butter in the ho-

tels and restaurants, the rest of the world says "Amen" in loud tones. The Dairy Division has planned a in the trenches. Her home in the and meetings will be held all showing what the cow has done to help win the war, and what the cow can for the comfort and welfare of the

world, if she is given a chance to live up to her highest possibilities. And farmers will be told how to make the most of the cow by improving the breed and through better dairying.

### ATTENTION! CO. H

Co. H. Sunday assembly 1:30 p. m. instead of 8 a. m. Transport Co. will assemble at 1:30 p. m. to transport the company to River Forest for Regmental Parade and Review west of Concordia College.

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### **AUCTION SALE**

The undersigned will sell at Auction at the A. W. Foster residence, one and one half mileswest of Downers Grove, one mile south of Belmont five miles east of Naperville, two Each one has a cafeteria, a recreation one half miles east of Lisle, on the Chicago and Aurora road, on Tuesday, rooms, writing and sewing rooms. At November 19th, commencing at one night these rooms are filled with o'clock sharp the following described property to wit: 33 head of catile, 25 head of fresh cows and springers 6 head of yearling heifers, 1 high with each is a large recreation field or grade Swiss bull, 15 months old, high grade Durham bull 10 months At the request of the French minis- old. 4 head of horses I roan mare try of war the Young Women's Chris- 12 rears old, I brown Gelding 9 years

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> A. W. Foster, Auct. W. H. Edwards, "Ah, here comes Mr. Rocks. I'll be nice to him and maybe he'll make lo-

# DOWNERS GROVE REPORTER, DOWNERS GROVE, ILLINOIS

From the Mississippi valley to the flaming front in Flanders is not as far today as the distance from Paris to Berlin. The Atlantic ocean is not as wide as the River Somme. The girl in the munition factory in the middle West is very close to her brother in the front-line trenches. If her work falters, if one untrue torpedo passes the careful scrutiny of the inspector, the lives of American soldiers pay the price.

It is as necessary to keep the girl who makes the shells physically fit and high of courage as the man who fires the gun.

The glory and excitement of war are for the man in khaled. Grinding, monotonous labor far away from the flying flags and martial music is the portion of the girl who makes muni-

One and a half million women and girls have marched into the service of the United States government, to take the places of the men who have been called to the colors. With every draft and with the opening of every munition cantonment the number is multiplied. These girls work long hours and the work is hard and monotonous. highly paid and all the workers are "On the other hand, recent studies Furthermore, they work at high nervpends the lives of many soldiers, the winning or losing of many battles,

"I can't sleep at night because I'm so afraid I may have passed on something that was not quite true," said one young girl not yet in her twenties, who inspected hundreds of torpedoes

Unless something can make this girl "The president of the United Sates forget at night, and find some rest, her hand will lose its cunning.

"Nights and Sundays," said another, "I walk and walk, and I never go the same route twice until I have worn out all the others, and yet I can't forget that perhaps some time, somehow, during the day something may have gone through that was not quite right."

"I was just on the edge of going back home," said another. "I couldn't stand it. Then the recreation leader asked me if I played busket ball, and I told her I was too old. I'm twentyeight. She insisted that I just try throwing the ball, and now I'm captain of the busket bull team. I play tennis, and can 'set up' and 'wig-wag,' and they're going to make me forewoman of the room. That would have frightened me to death once. But everything is different now, that we have our War Service cfub."

The war department and seen the need of occupations for out-of-work hours if the employees were to work at their greatest efficiency, and through the ordnance department asked the Young Women's Christian Association for recreation leaders, to line up the girls and direct their free-time pleas-

The government reminded the T. W. C. A. that as an organization it always had had an interest in the right housing of girls, in the right feeding of girls, and in the right education of girls, and that the intelligent care of these girls in the munitions factories was one of the essentials in the wincould house and feed them. It could put up recreation buildings, but when this was done it was as helpless as the father of a motherless girl. The government is a composite man. He didn't know what a girl should do when the six o'clock factory whistle blew. He only knew she needed looking after and he called to the one woman's organization that for half a century had made a study of the needs of girls. Vaguely, he had an idea that she should be encouraged to play, that she needed wholesome recreation, and some one, wise and sympathetic as a careful mother, to guide her social activitles,

The Blue Triangle sent its play larly to salute and go to work. Workers are asked for in recreation buildings of all the 22 federal industrial reservations or munition cantonments which have been opened this summer in several of the states. These reservations sprung up out of the very fields in a few weeks. They are employing thousands of workers. Many of these women have come from far distant The government provided dormitories and mess barracks. In some places it is putting up recreation buildings. Where such a building is not provided by the government, the Y. W. C. A. wi'l furnish it, using one at ready standing when available, and building when that is necessary. All these buildings, whether government or association-owned, will operate under the sign of the Blue Triangle. They will have big Hving rooms, assembly rooms for entertainments, club rooms, and gymnasiums. The Blue Triangle will furnish a program of service work, educational classes, games and entertainments. Military and signal corps drills will be in charge of soldiers.

In Washington, the members of the Business Women's council, a Blue Triangle league of the Y. W. C. A., made up of girl government employees, drill twice a week under an army officer. and between five and six o'clock on these days long lines of motorcars are parked to watch the drift.

Wherever possible the recreation equipment includes a field somewhere for outdoor sports.

War clubs are a part of the plan and membership in these involves a pledge to serve to the best of the girl's ability in the ranks of the Woman's Industrial Army—the "second line of defense," and a promise of loyalty by promoting in every possible way the spirit of service.

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