

RED CROSS XMAS SEALS NOT TO BE SOLD THIS YEAR

Buy A Current Year's Membership In The Red Cross, And Get Red Cross Seals.

Red Cross Christmas Seals will not be sold in America this year according to the long established custom. Instead, they are to be awarded in blocks of ten to each new member of the Red Cross obtained during the "roll call" next month.

Notice to this effect has been sent by the Illinois Tuberculosis Association to each of its affiliated societies in the state. Similar notices have also been sent by the Red Cross to every local chapter in Illinois.

In former years these lovely little stickers have been sold at one cent each, and the proceeds from their sale have been used to finance the work of the national, state and local tuberculosis organizations.

During the last year campaign in 1917, more than 16,000,000 seals were sold in Illinois and the fund has been used to do the biggest piece of tuberculosis work ever attempted in the state.

For the coming year, however, the work in Illinois and throughout the country, is to be financed through a direct appropriation from the Red Cross under an agreement reached several months ago by the Red Cross and the National Tuberculosis Association as a war necessity.

Whether or not Red Cross Seals, or some other aid for financing tuberculosis work will be placed on the market during the holiday season, has not been determined. In the meantime the Illinois Tuberculosis Association will continue to accept donations of Red Cross Seals in the past year as a current year's membership. The Red Cross has also been continuing in the past year its humanitarian work, and the Red Cross is vitally important in the present.



Upon the completion of the roll call, the amount required for the Christmas Seal will be sent to a roll call office. It is with pleasure that we announce that there is no store houses in France and the United States an ample supply of surgical dressings to take care of any probable need. We wish to express to our auxiliaries and branches our deep appreciation of their splendid work during the past months of the war. It is with pride that we can say that the standard of work and the amount produced by the Chicago Chapter stands second to no other chapter in the United States.

"Will you extend to your workers our heartfelt thanks for their endless patience and tireless hours of labor given to the making of surgical dressings. They will, we know, rejoice with us that the terrible cause that necessitated millions of surgical dressings is now removed from the world. Red Cross responsibilities do not end with peace and other activities not only go on but in some cases will be increased. Workers are urged to hold themselves and their organizations "on call" for service in the Red Cross reconstruction program which will be announced in the near future. It is particularly important that the members of your branch reserve again at other appointments, the date of the annual meeting of the chapter to be held at Orchestra Hall on Tuesday, December 31."

U. S. FUEL ADMINISTRATION

The Director of Conservation for the State of Illinois has prepared for general circulation and placed with the Public Libraries and Civic War Councils, bulletins uncoasting the following subjects:

- 1.—How to burn Soft Coal in Base Burner Heating Stoves and Kitchen Ranges and other Heating Stoves.
- 2.—How to change a Hard Coal Base Burner Stove into a Soft Coal Heater by installing the Liberty Soft Coal attachment.
- 3.—How to burn Soft Coal in Hot Air, Hot Water, Steam and Vapor Heating Plants, including Hot Water Supply Heaters.

Yours very truly,
John R. Bowen, Chairman, Fuel Administration, District No. 18.

EASTERN STAR YOUNG FOLKS NIGHT

Members and out of town guests of the Order of the Eastern Star spent a most delightful evening at the Chapter Room Tuesday night. The occasion was Young People's Night.

The stations were filled by young members who secured their places by drawing and from the way in which they acquitted themselves, no one would have thought it possible that this was their first attempt. The initiatory work was done in a most acceptable manner and Vesta Chapter is to be congratulated upon the splendid talent she possesses thru these young folks which speaks volumes for her future usefulness. We should not forget to mention the spirit of co-operation and helpfulness shown by all the young members, many from the other chapters, making their own contributions to the evening's entertainment. Refreshments were served.

Following is a list of the participating officers:
A. M. Mack, Olan, W. P. Dell, Austin, A. M. Egan, Fairweather, S. Lillian, W. Mann, Tracy, Loh, Beat, Con, Ardona, Chalmers, A. S. Florence, Chalmers, Chaplain, Gates, Peterson, May, Jull, Monahan, Butler, O'Connell, Harriet Jones, Ada, Evelyn, Brown, Ruth, Anna, Head, Ethel, Lydia, Huff, Martha, Mabel, Red, Electa, Alice, Olson, Warder, Hattie, Boyce, Sentinal, Rose, and Pfaff.

DINNER GIVEN FOR ROB McELROY

Last Monday evening a dinner was given for Rob McElroy, a young man who was injured in the war.

The dinner was given at the home of Mrs. McElroy, who was assisted by many friends.

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The price to the producer was raised to \$3.77 a hundred pounds, an increase of 9 cents over November. The price per can, delivered in Chicago, is \$2.85.

FOR THANKS-GIVING DAY

By President Wilson.
This year we have special and moving cause to be grateful and to rejoice. God has in His good pleasure given us peace. It has not come as a mere cessation of arms, a mere relief from the strain and tragedy of war. It has come as a great triumph of right.

Complete victory has brought us not peace alone, but the confident promise of a new day as well, in which justice shall replace force and jealous intrigue among the nations.

Our gallant armies have participated in a triumph which is not marred or stained by another purpose of selfish aggression. In a righteous cause they have won immortal glory and have nobly served their nation in serving mankind.

God has indeed been gracious. We have cause for such rejoicing as revives and strengthens in us all the best traditions of our national history. A new day shines about us, in which our hearts take new courage and look forward with new hope to new and greater duties.—From Thanksgiving Day Proclamation.

WARNS US NOT TO BE OSTRICH OPTIMISTS

Acting Governor Oglesby Calls Upon Illinoisans To Maintain Readiness For War Work.

Lieutenant Governor John G. Oglesby, as acting Governor in the absence of Governor Lowden, issued the following Proclamation to the people of Illinois upon the cessation of hostilities in Europe:

The armistice has been signed. Peace appears on the horizon, but is not yet at hand. Let us not be lulled into carelessness, but let us stand firm to the very end, ready and prepared for any emergency that may arise.

The war has cost the lives of millions of our countrymen and the property of billions of dollars. It has also cost the lives of millions of our countrymen and the property of billions of dollars. It has also cost the lives of millions of our countrymen and the property of billions of dollars.

Keep your arms and your minds ready for any emergency that may arise. Do not let the enemy know that you are unprepared. Do not let the enemy know that you are unprepared.

MONEY NEEDED TO BRING BACK ARMY

The war is over; peace reigns on earth. But in Europe today there are more than 2,000,000 American soldiers who took an important part in bringing the war to a victorious end, and these men must be fed and clothed for a long while to come. It is estimated by the War Department that the cost of equipping and maintaining an American soldier in Europe is \$423.27 a year.

The American army was transported to France at the rate of 250,000 men a month by giving them first class on the shipping facilities of the United States. If they could be brought to this country, this saving would amount to \$100,000,000.

It is estimated that it will cost \$100,000,000 to transport the American army to this country. This is a large sum of money, but it is a small price to pay for the lives of our countrymen and the property of billions of dollars.

BEG YOUR PARENTS!

Write to your parents and urge them to buy War Savings Stamps. This is a great way to help our country and to support our soldiers.

SUGGESTIONS FOR THE COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS TREE

Send In Your Suggestion For The Community Christmas Festival Tree.

In Downers Grove, that dear old town, the people love each other; for every woman, man or child is sister, friend or brother. They all have lived here so long that they know each other well, and if you asked the family tree, each one of all could tell.

In summer time they sing and pray out in the open air, the Baptists and the Methodists, and all the rest are there. But now, that winter time has come and the cold has set in, and the people are looking for a way to keep warm and happy.

It is suggested that a community Christmas tree be set up in the town square. This tree should be decorated with lights and ornaments, and should be the center of a Christmas festival.

The festival should be held on December 24th, and should include a Christmas dinner, a Christmas play, and a Christmas concert. This festival should be a time of joy and fellowship for all the people of Downers Grove.

PROCLAMATION OF GOVERNOR LOWDEN

In a proclamation issued today, Governor Lowden calls upon the people of Illinois to celebrate the Centennial of the formal admission of the state into the Union on December 3d, rejoicing over the world victory in which this state had an important part, and preparing for the great reconstruction problems in the coming century.

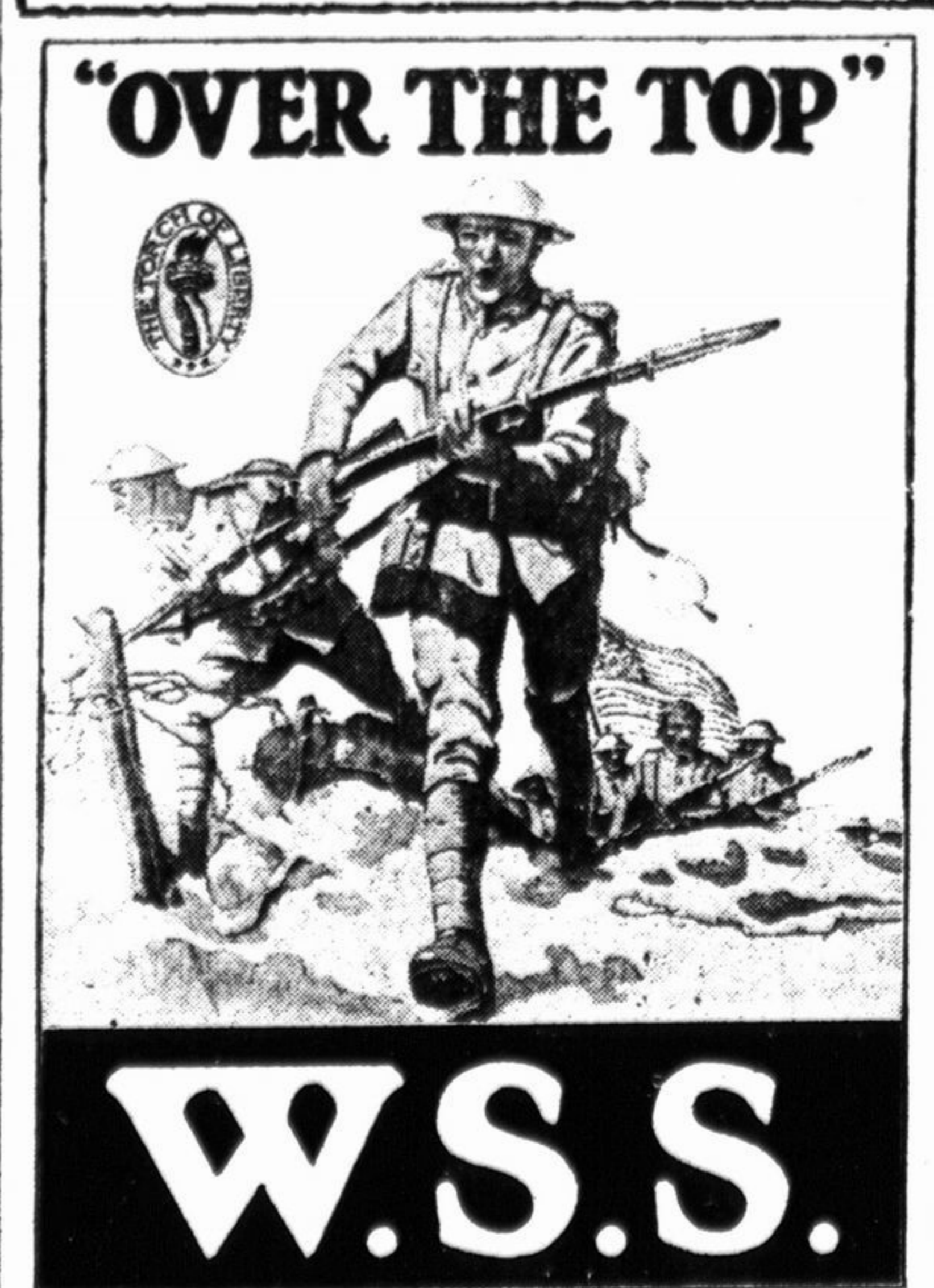
The proclamation is as follows: "On December 3d, it will be a full hundred years since Illinois was formally admitted into the Union of States. We have celebrated our Centennial Year with fitting observance in every part of the State. These celebrations have been occasions where on our people have found in our past achievements their highest inspiration for meeting the solemn duties of the present year.

Our Centennial Year now draws to a close. At almost the same time the world war has also reached its end. Illinois has played a part in this world war of her best men and women. They have given their lives and their blood for the cause of liberty and justice. They have shown to the world that Illinois is a state of brave men and women.

It is the duty of every citizen of Illinois to rejoice in the world victory and to prepare for the great reconstruction problems in the coming century. We must work together to build a better world for ourselves and for our children. We must work together to build a better world for ourselves and for our children.

house and barn large enough to hold the entire herd. The herd is near Downers Grove. No particulars are given and price is named in first letter. Address Dairy, care Reporter office.

NEW WAR SAVINGS POSTER



The above is a reproduction of one of the new War Savings posters for the "Over the Top" drive in Illinois. They have been printed in various sizes, "twenty-four sheet," which covers an entire billboard, down to a small window poster. In addition the War Savings Committee for Illinois is using the design on letter heads, circulars and pamphlets.

Letters have been sent county chairmen of food production and conservation asking them to complete the survey in co-operation with the draft boards and forward the figures to the State Council within a week.

The Agricultural War Board at its last meeting estimated that Illinois farms would need at least 125,000 men for next year's planting and harvest. These figures are based on the number of farm men from the state now in service, and the number of men who have been drawn from the farms to war industries as a result of the higher wages.

As the War Department has indicated that men will be released from the army only when they are needed in particular industries and when definite jobs are waiting them, it is important that Illinois farmers report at once on the numbers needed, that the immense crop of food which the state is expected to raise next year may in no way be jeopardized. County chairmen into whose hands the survey has been put should lose no time in completing it.

NOTES OF THE WOMANS CLUB

Through Mrs. William Straube, a splendid conservation program has been arranged for Wednesday afternoon, December 4th. A speaker from the city, reports from the meetings held in the city the past week and music will be a program to be enjoyed. This meeting will be under the auspices of the Civics Department of the Woman's Club.

Our conquering soldiers will soon be coming home. How can we welcome them fittingly if we have not done our utmost to help support them in the field? How can we feel a sense of comradeship with them if we, safe at home, have not met gladly every call made upon us?

Now is an opportunity for forming habits of thrift, which will better our conditions all our lives. Thousands of our people a few years hence will have a competency which they can trace to the War Savings Stamps they purchase now. Will you be among this number?

Illinois has met uncomplainingly so far every draft made upon her, whether for money or men. Surely now, while we are rejoicing over the victories won on the battle-fronts, we shall not fail to "go over the top" at this late day and over-subscribe our quota of the War Savings Stamps.

W. C. T. U. 6
W. C. T. U. will hold its regular meeting at the home of Mrs. James Raby, 42 E. Curtis Street.

Miss Mary Diener attended the State Convention at Aurora one day last week.

Lloyd George says: "Drink during the war has used up as much tonnage as the Germans have sunk with all their submarines. Drink during the war has killed more men than have been killed by the German submarines. Drink during the war has destroyed more food than all the submarines put together."