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Sugar shortage stops the food canneries, but the ice cream saloons must not be interfered with.

The political committee men don't stop smoking when the women delegates attend, but the candidates will.

The women generally favor discontinuing the Congressional Record, as the leaves are not the right size to lay under the rugs.

The fools, the indolent, and the extravagant, are strong believers in the doctrine of absolute equality.

In some states one can still get whiskey for snake bite. No move to exterminate the snakes is reported.

The kid element is making a careful list of the people who object to noise for special attention the night before July Fourth.

### ELM PLACE SCHOOL

School has closed and all members of the teaching staff except Miss Esther White, have gone for the summer. Miss Nixon joined two of her sisters at Hammond, Ind., and from there the three left Friday morning in their auto for their home at Hallesville, Mo. Miss Sands, Miss Grenoble and Miss Clara White have registered for the summer course at the University of Wisconsin, at Madison. Miss Payne has enrolled at the University of Chicago for the summer. Vacation trips to Wyoming and to the north woods are on the program for others of the staff.

Miss Guiney will spend the summer with a sister in Chicago. Her usual custom has been to visit her mother at vacation time, but the death of the latter three weeks ago, not previously announced in The Press, has changed all this. Although Mrs. Guiney was of an advanced age, she led an active life and her death had not been anticipated. At the funeral at Charleston, Miss Giffen was present as the representative of Elm Place school.

Teachers and pupils all felt highly pleased at the closing events of the school year. The weather at each function turned out refreshingly cool. Flag day exercises, Monday were very beautiful. Through the courtesy of Colonel Blanchard the Fort Sheridan band furnished the music and the annual parade of the colors from Sheridan road to the foot of Linden Park place and return and the hoisting of the collection of flags on the flagstaff made an inspiring spectacle. The picnic and accompanying events moved off with spirit. Miss Esther White's pupils staged a delightful show in the auditorium; the eighth graders gave some scenes from the Merchant of Venice with effective stage pictures; and a magician from Chicago mystified the children in a pleasant manner. Athletic contests were "pulled off" at close intervals all day. Forty five gallons of ice cream was put away to good advantage. The pupils' exhibit of work was on display in the various rooms and visitors who were not able to be present in the day time took advantage of the building being open in the evening.

Another feature of the last days of school was the distribution of aster, zinnia and calendula plants, about three thousand being sent out to home gardens. The last week in May about three hundred tomato plants, each in a pot, had been distributed free of charge, the market value of these plants being a little short of two hundred fifty dollars. Earlier in May a quantity of beet and cabbage plants and onion seedlings was sent out and reports of their successful and rapid maturing are coming in.

### TO OPEN SECOND CAMP JULY 15 AT ASHVILLE

Accommodations for 1000 Women Made; Many New Features Planned

The United States Training corps will open its second camp July 15, in Asheville, N. C., with Miss Susanna Corroft, national commandant, in charge. Miss Helen Ballack of Racine, Wis., commanding Company A; Mrs. Sewell Truax of Highland Park, in command of Company B, which she commanded last year at Camp No. 1, at Lake Geneva; Miss Alma Parmalee of Chicago, Company C; and Miss Grace E. Compton of Coshocton, O., Company D. There will be three terms of two weeks each, closing Aug. 25.

The camp at Ashville will be similar in all respects to the one last year at Lake Geneva except that a greater number of women are expected. The Lake Geneva camp being experimental the attendance was limited to one hundred and twenty-seven women who came from twenty-two states. At Ashville there will be accommodations for one thousand. They will be given military drill, setting-up exercises, lessons in walking and swimming, lectures on infant welfare, home care of the sick, personal and community hygiene, food and home economics. There will be hikes thru the woods, nature study, and play that will take women back to their early teens and their childhood. Miss Corroft is certain that no woman in camp will feel a day older than sixteen. The United States government will send lecturers from the Bureau of Education, the Department of Forestry, Bureau of Agriculture, Public Health service and the Children's Bureau.

All women will wear a uniform consisting of a skirt ten inches from the ground, two middies and a black sailor hat, the entire wardrobe costing about twelve dollars.

It is hoped that before another session, the bill now before the committee on military affairs in Congress authorizing the use of government land and equipment for these camps, will have passed and made possible five health-recreation camps instead

of one. They will be located in the east, west, south, middle-west and south-east.

Any woman interested should address Miss Susanna Corroft, United States Training Corps, 209 N. Michigan Blvd., Chicago, for information.

### PUBLIC UTILITIES ARE ECONOMICALLY STRONG

The rising cost of power produced by steam and oil has shown its effect in most articles of manufacture, while all of the public utilities have been in a disturbed condition because it was not easy for them to increase the price of their products to the public. Many of the best engineering authorities upon the subject believe that the water bill which met the approval of both branches of Congress would have a tendency toward stabilizing the public utility situation. The Stone and Webster Journal says that the pre-war judgment of investors "that no business rests upon a more secure foundation than that of the electric light and power companies has been proven during the extraordinary stress of the last five years." There is hardly a line of business in the country, large or small, but that has its ups and downs. The public utilities have had theirs and results show that they are able to weather adverse storms, just the same as have agricultural, railroad and banking interests.

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W. J. Littlejohn and wife to A. W. Zengeler, part lots 331 and 332, Lake Forest. W. D., \$1.00.

Elizabeth B. Bordwell and husband to G. M. Brax, part lot 3, Western add. to Lake Forest. Deed, \$10.00.

W. W. Burris and wife to Emma J. and M. J. Gardner, lot 19, block 42, Lake Bluff. W. D., \$10.00.

Ida M. Sheridan to Olaf Johnson and wife, 1.471 1/2 acre, s. 2/4 southwest 1/4, section 15, Deerfield twp. W. D., \$7,500.00.

Anna S. Anderson and husband to Laura A. Monahan, lot 4, subdivision of lot 244, Lake Forest. Warranty deed, \$10.

Minnie Carlson to C. W. Leffingwell lot 7, block 6, Exmoor addition, Highland Park. W. D., \$1,500.00.

John Griffith and wife to Bella W. Thorne, lot 10, Rose Terrace subdivision, Lake Forest. Warranty deed, \$10.00.

A. R. Shannon and wife to W. C. Bremner, east 44 feet, lot 4, block 21, Highland Park. W. D., \$10.00.

B. D. Smith and wife to S. A. and W. B. Smith, 3/4 acres in sec. 14, sec. 33, Shields sub. W. D., \$50,000.

William Capesius to Rose Alshuler, lot 7, Huston's sub. in blk. 70, Highland Park. W. D., \$10.

D. E. Gray and wife to Adele J. Tarr, lot 7, blk 50, Highland Park. W. D., \$10.

John Griffith and wife to Allee C. and A. G. Avis, lot 3, Griffith's sub. Lake Forest. W. D., \$1,000.

A. S. Cody and wife to L. D. Miller, lots 16 and 17, block 4, Lake Bluff. W. D., \$10.

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