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NEW TRIER CHAPS JOIN FRENCH HOSPITAL UNIT

Three From Wilmette and One From Glencoe Enlist With University Corps for War Service.

Three Wilmette boys will start for France in a few days as members of the Northwestern University Hospital Unit, which has just been organized under the leadership of Dr. Frederick A. Besley. They are Kingsley Rice, son of Arthur L. Rice, Hardy Weedon, son of John F. Weedon, and Shelby M. Singleton, Jr. All three are former students at New Trier High School and are connected with the Delta Upsilon college fraternity at Northwestern.

Eighteen members of the Northwestern University Hospital Unit will go with the hospital unit. All have enlisted in the U. S. Army for a period of three years or the duration of the war. Another member of the group is Roy Holmes of Glencoe.

The Northwestern University Hospital Unit consists of 20 surgeons, 65 trained nurses and 150 young enlisted men as assistants, who have accepted this opportunity for immediate usefulness.

KENILWORTH FOLK JOIN RED CROSS IN HUNDREDS

North Shore Village Takes Lead In Recruiting—Big Drive Last Sunday Nets 600 Enlistments.

Kenilworth forged to the front Sunday in Red Cross enlistments. Out of 1,000 inhabitants of the village, M. W. Cresap, in charge of the work, said he has assurances that 600 would join.

"Kenilworth was divided into districts which were canvassed by 25 men," said William H. Rankin, general chairman of the Red Cross campaign. "These men visited every home in the village. The heads of families contributed \$2 and \$1 each for the children. The Kenilworth committee has devoted every evening and all day Sunday to enlistment work."

"The newspapers have done such splendid work in advertising the campaign that no arguments were necessary in Kenilworth homes. All the canvassers had to do was to present the enlistment blank and the people signed at once."

WILL ENTERTAIN FOR BOYS AT NAVAL STATION

The committee, headed by Mrs. William H. Martin, which has in charge the making of comfort bags for the naval recruits at Lake Bluff, has arranged a bridge party to be held at the Woman's club, on Friday, the eighteenth of May, at half after two o'clock. The proceeds are to be used to purchase the articles necessary for the filling of the bags.

Any one who is willing to arrange a table of four, each guest to pay one dollar, will please notify Mrs. Victor Elting. The hostess of each table is asked to furnish her own playing cards and score card.

Checks may be sent to Mrs. James Weart, 278 Linden Avenue, or payment may be made to her at the club. Help to pay the debt of gratitude we owe these boys, who are willing to do so much for us, by arranging at least one table.

NATION IS IN NEED OF UNITY

Phil. A. Grau Tells Irish Club of the Necessity for Co-operation.

The spirit of co-operation among the people of the United States was never so much needed as it is now, Phil. A. Grau, of Wilmette, told members of the Irish Fellowship club at their weekly luncheon in the Hotel Sherman last Saturday.

"The cause of most of the trouble in this country, civilly, politically and commercially, is due to the fact that people do not get together," he said. "We would have better legislation if people would get together and select the best candidates. Those of us who can not go to war can show their co-operation by doing their bit for the Red Cross. This is a time when everybody must get together, because in unity there is strength."

Mrs. Jennie Symons is at the hospital in Milwaukee for an operation.

JOIN THE AMERICAN RED CROSS

In the big drive for increasing the Chicago membership of the American Red Cross, Winnetka must not lag behind. At the general organization meeting in Chicago on Wednesday last Mrs. Ira C. Wood pledged that Winnetka would furnish at least 1000 members. This community ought to do even more than that. Annual membership is only One Dollar and every family should have several memberships. Parents should regard it as a patriotic duty to have their children enroll in this worldwide organization of mercy.

Under the auspices of the War Emergency Union a house to house canvass is planned, and every resident will be urged to join. The effort will be to make Winnetka's membership in the Red Cross, in proportion to its population second to none.

GONE BEYOND.

Mrs. Marion Adele Northway, 64 years old, died Saturday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Thomas H. Ratcliffe, 804 Linden Avenue, following a two week's illness. Funeral services were held Monday at the home of Mr. Ratcliffe, Reverend L. F. Selden and Reverend Duncan C. Milner, of the Ravenswood Presbyterian church officiating. Burial was made in Memorial Park cemetery.

SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION

At the last meeting of the school board, which was held according to law, within ten days after the election, announcement was made that the following members were elected to serve on the board:

President, Mr. Edwin S. Fechtmeier; members, Mrs. Charlotte L. McKenzie and Mrs. Janet S. Gordon. The present board appointed the following committees for the coming year:

Buildings and grounds, Yeomans, Lieber, Ricks; Supplies, Lieber, Fuller, Bordon; Teachers and Text Books, McKenzie, Yeomans, Gordon; Finance, Fuller, McKenzie, Lieber; Publicity, Gordon, Ricks, Yeomans.

WHAT TO PLANT.

Mrs. Charles W. Hubbard of the Food Supply Committee of the War Emergency Union calls attention to the following article on "Some Potato Don'ts."

A few cautions for potato growers are timely. The present condition of the soil would rot any potato planted. May 8 is the earliest they can be planted. Even then they should have been greened by exposure to strong light for a week or two before planting. They should then have vigorous sprouts just coming out—the best condition for planting. Plant late potatoes about May 22.

By all means soak the seed potatoes for two hours in a solution of one pint of 40 per cent formaldehyde to thirty gallons of water. This is an insurance against potato scab. It is a good practice to sprinkle the cut surface of the seed pieces with sulphur or slacked lime in powder form. This will resist somewhat the possible rotting in wet soils and prevent drying out in sandy soils.

Don't plant potatoes or onions in raw soil just broken. Clayey soil or clay subsoil renders potato growing impossible, unless the natural lack of drainage is corrected.

Experience shows that a mere trench around the patch is not sufficient to drain the heavy mass for potatoes. On such soil, a heavy rain between planting and germination will assuredly rot the seed pieces.

Mrs. Hubbard suggests that we can not do better here in Winnetka than to follow this advice, printed in last Tuesday's "Tribune." It is a wanton waste of seed and labor to try to raise potatoes under unfavorable conditions, and no condition could be more unfavorable than clay soil. Why not raise some of the things that will grow here, for instance, corn. It is the very best thing to raise on newly broken land. Beans of all kinds grow here, easily and profitably, and there is quite as great a shortage of navy beans, as of potatoes. This cold season, it is best not to plant any beans until after the fifteenth of May, and navy beans will do better if planted the first of June.

NAVAL RECRUITS ISSUED HONOR CARDS FOR HOMES

To Be Placed In Window of House As a Sign of Patriotism And To Inspire Others to Enlist.

That everyone may know from what homes men have gone forth to serve their country in the Navy, and as an inspiration to others to follow, there has just been issued from the press of the U. S. Navy Publicity Bureau, a card with the following inscription:

A MAN
FROM THIS HOUSE
IS NOW SERVING HIS
COUNTRY AT THE
FRONT IN THE UNITED
STATES NAVY.

In the upper corner of the card appears the impressive seal of the Navy, while below is a space for the signature of the commanding officer.

The cards are now being mailed, first to all of the apprentice seamen at the Naval Training Stations, and they will eventually reach every man in the service. After being signed and distributed they are to be mailed home and placed in the window of the house as a mark of honor and as a constant reminder of duty to the young man who still hesitates in the face of the country's call for men.

PERSONAL MENTION

Mrs. L. Cook of Kenosha, Wisconsin, will arrive this week-end to be the guest of her daughter, Mrs. M. H. Lieber of Elm Street.

Boy Scouts Daniel Leonard, Francis Mason, Charles Mason and George Eisenbrand, who were detailed by the War Department for service at Fort Sheridan, reported for duty last Monday.

WINNETKA LEADS ALL SUBURBS

STATEMENT OF CENSUS COMMITTEE WAR EMERGENCY UNION

Acting on the notices from Washington, the following letter was sent to the Sheriff of Cook County, May 9th.

Hon. John E. Traeger,
Sheriff of Cook County,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:

I have noted in the press the requirements for registration under the new Army Bill, and that you will be placed in charge of the registration in Cook County. I also note that the Government wishes volunteers of standing to offer their services as registrars under the new act.

As Chairman, therefore, of the Census Committee of the War Emergency Union of Winnetka, and upon the request of William D. McKenzie, President of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Winnetka, I am pleased to offer, herewith, the service of the eight following citizens, who will take care of the registration in the four election precincts of Winnetka.

Murry Nelson, Jr., Willoughby Walling, Edwin S. Fechtmeier, Mancel T. Clark, Samuel A. Greeley, John L. Hamilton, A. W. Converse and Arthur R. Dean.

Please notify me immediately on receipt of your final instructions from the Government, and I shall be pleased to have these gentlemen duly sworn, to perform the service for the Government. We regard this opportunity of service as a distinct privilege.

Yours very truly,

FREDERICK W. BURLINGHAM,
Chairman Census Committee,
War Emergency Union of
Winnetka.

Mr. Traeger was greatly pleased and stated that this was the first community that had volunteered to take up the duty of registration, as requested by the Government. He said he hoped that with this example before the people of the county, other communities would follow the example of Winnetka and organize promptly to do the work.

The sheriff replied to the foregoing letter as follows:

"Mr. Frederick W. Burlingham,

My dear sir:

I am in receipt of your favor of the 9th instant tendering the services of yourself with a number of your fellow citizens of Winnetka to the Government as registrars under the new conscription act. I desire to congratulate you and your fellow citizens, who have so generously tendered their services to their country, for the patriotic spirit that you have displayed, and the good example that you have set for the community.

I will communicate with you further on this matter as soon as I receive definite instructions from the War Department as to details.

Again thanking you for the patriotic spirit displayed, I am

Very truly yours,

JOHN E. TRAEGER, Sheriff."

DIES AT HOME.

John Heath, 75 years old, died at his home Thursday, May 3, following an illness of about one week. Funeral services were held from the residence Saturday afternoon, Reverend Horace Smith of the Glencoe Methodist Episcopal church, of which Mr. Heath was a member, officiating. The remains were taken to Janesville, Wisconsin, for interment in Oak Hill cemetery. Burial services were held at the grave under the auspices of the Masonic Blue Lodge with members of the Commandry as escorts. A special train was provided to carry the funeral party to Janesville. Deceased is survived by his wife and son, M. A. Heath of Chicago, and grandson, John Dudley, also of Chicago. Mr. Heath has been a resident of Winnetka since 1892.

DON'T KNIT SOX FOR ARMY

"Women, don't knit socks." That is the advice of Col. Daniel E. McCarthy, quartermaster for the central army department. The government, he says, is buying socks for 15 cents a pair, and it costs those who knit them at home about 50 cents a pair, if time and energy are counted.

The department quartermaster advised women who want to bring comfort to the soldiers to knit scarfs and wristlets.

PERSONAL MENTION

Harold W. Snell, 1205 Scott Avenue, Hubbard Woods, will enter the Reserve Officers' Training Camp at Fort Sheridan next Monday.

Miss Laura Delano has returned to her home in Washington, D. C., after being the guest this past week of Mrs. James L. Houghteling, of Prospect Avenue.

Mrs. James L. Houghteling of Prospect Avenue was one of the patronesses of the performance of the "Modern Cinderella," given at the Strand theater by the Chicago Children's players, for the benefit of baby week.

HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARS PRESENTED HONOR PINS

Twenty Members of New Trier Senior Class Awarded Symbols for High Percentages in Studies.

Honor pins donated by the New Trier township board of education have been awarded to twenty members of the Senior class at New Trier High school, on a strictly scholastic basis. This symbol for attainment in studies has been presented to scholars for the past three years and has proved an incentive to more intensive application and study. The students selected from the class of one-hundred to receive the pins were:

Misses Lillian Borgfeldt, Dorothy Butz, Esther Cohen, Margaret Dingee, Sarah Gallagher, Izevl Phelps, all of Wilmette, Frances Carlson of Hubbard Woods, Stella Thompson, Winnetka, Kathleen Kreger and Ruth Storms, of Glencoe.

Messrs Richard Fowler, Norman King, James Logie, James Paterson, John Prescott, Harold Stephens and Clarence Wolf, of Wilmette, Walter Schur and Grant Keehn, of Kenilworth, and Walter Niemann of Winnetka

KENILWORTH CHAP SAYS LIFE OF MARINE GREAT

Wells Miller Writes Interesting Letter To Folks At Home From Port Royal Naval Station.

Wells W. Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Miller of Kenilworth, who enlisted three weeks ago in the U. S. Marine Corps, is at present at Port Royal, South Carolina. He writes that the life is strenuous but interesting. The course of training has been cut from three months to a little over five weeks.

The following extract from one of his letters conveys some idea of the rigid discipline and sanitary precautions maintained in this branch of the service.

"This afternoon we had 'wash day' and had to clean up a lot of clothes and then pass inspection on them. Those whose clothes were insufficiently clean had them thrown on the ground and trampled on so that they would have to wash them again. This washing clothes, or keeping clean, is very important in the Marine Corps. Men get sent to the 'brig' for thirty days and live on bread and water for not being neat and clean."

NEW TRIER HIGH SCHOOL GROUNDS OFFERED ARMY

The Board of Education of New Trier township recently addressed a letter to the War Department at Washington offering the use of the buildings and grounds of the High school for the use of the department during the summer months. A letter received from the Adjutant General of the War Department conveys sincere appreciation of the offer and states that the matter will be taken up later in the season.

WHAT WOMEN CAN DO.

Throughout the State there is a crying demand for information on how to conserve the foodstuffs when grown, and to meet these demands a campaign has been launched for educating homemakers in the selection and care of food, conservation of vegetables and the elimination of all waste through proper knowledge of the word conservation.

Poultry will meet an immediate demand for the meat supply and women can raise more poultry. Vegetables, not only for summer use but the ones for winter storing, must be given careful attention. We must look ahead for the next year and not merely for the immediate needs.

Potatoes, cabbage, turnips, parsnips, carrots, beans, beets, rutabagas, onions, salsify and celery are a few of the vegetables for winter storing.

PERSONAL MENTION

Mrs. Ira Couch Wood of the Illinois League for Woman's Service addressed a meeting of all the Woman's clubs of Evanston, Wednesday afternoon in the rooms of the Evanston Woman's club. A plan for co-ordinating the war service of women of Illinois will be discussed.