

WILMETTE MAN TO HELP IN BUILDING BIG CAMP

C. V. Burghart will Supervise Work on Rockford Cantonment.

Contracts for building the national army cantonment at Rockford, Ill., were awarded to the Bates & Rogers company of Chicago. C. V. Burghart, 108 Woodbine avenue, is the secretary of the company.

The contract specifies that the huge cantonment, which is intended to house 40,000 men, is to be completed by September 1. The cost will be between \$3,000,000 and \$5,000,000, according to the estimates announced.

The construction plans include about 250 separate buildings, to be occupied by the men, similar to those in use at the Fort Sheridan training camp. Each of the quarters is designed to accommodate 160 men, and is to be provided with its own mess room, lavatory and shower baths in separate buildings. The completion and occupation of the cantonment will witness its conversion into a busy city of nearly 50,000 men.

Mr. Burghart said that the company would employ between 2,000 and 3,000 men at Rockford, under the direct management of E. P. Lennehan, vice-president of the firm.

GIVE PLANTS ADEQUATE ROOM FOR DEVELOPMENT

U. S. Specialists Urge Gardeners to Thin Out Surplus Plants.

Do not allow garden vegetables to crowd each other in drills or rows. This is a bit of timely cultural advice offered to home gardeners by specialists of the United States Department of Agriculture. Unless each plant has adequate room for development and a chance to receive all the sunlight, air, moisture, and plant food which it needs, the specialists point out, it will be stunted, and its contribution to the food supply of the family, therefore, will be low in quantity and inferior in quality.

It is well enough to plant seed more thickly than the plants should grow, to allow for faulty germination and losses, it is explained, but the mistake of allowing the crops to grow as thickly as they come up must not be made. A good time to thin out surplus plants is a few weeks after the plants have come up, when they have become large enough to show which are most thrifty and before they have begun to crowd seriously. Wherever possible, the thrickest plants should be left.

COMMUNICATION

All able bodied men of Wilmette, between the ages of 18 and 45, who are willing to serve their community in this time of urgent need and as unforeseen emergency may arise, are asked to join in forming a unit of the Voluntary Training corps of The State Council of Defense.

John G. Oglesby, commissioner of the State Council of Defense, in a personal letter, asks that Wilmette form such an addition to those now being organized throughout the state.

These organizations are made up of companies of 82 men. Wilmette should form several companies. These units are not asked or expected to do patrol work, such as is now being done by the National Guard, those places being filled by additional state regiments.

The work will be entirely voluntary and will comprise a reserve militia, not subject to call, but expected to serve in case of an emergency in the state, especially in local cases, such as riots, fires, floods or public disasters beyond the control of the regular official public protectors.

It will be a recognized state organization, entitled to uniform and arms. If called into active service, all equipment, arms, uniform, and all expenses will be paid by the state.

In the present times there is great need for a drilled, competent, recognized force of men to protect our homes, property and women and children in case of unforeseen disaster. Our troops are gone, our men scattered and many dangers peculiar to the times likely to occur. This cannot be met by an untrained, haphazard lot of men running to the rescue at the last moment, usually ready long after the damage is done.

The state and nation recognize this fact and are urging the men at home to supply this need by organizing these units.

What is Wilmette going to do? Just what are you going to do? Send your name, address and phone number to Jos. G. Tyssowski, 1630 Walnut avenue, Major, Soldiers' Aid Battalion, Wilmette Guard. Phone Wilmette 1482.

TO AMERICA

By Marcelle Laval

Take up the cause, America! The cry has come across the sea That you should lead the nations on— Can you not hear their earnest plea?

Take up the sword, America, For you the broken ranks must fill With fearless soldiers, proud to share The common lot of good or ill.

Take up the plough, America, With hoe and spade to do your share, While scientist and factory-hand Shall each alike the burden bear.

America! You shall not fight As corps nor regiment nor clan, But as a nation take your stand— A solid unit to a man.

WILSON APPOINTS BOARD TO CONTROL U. S. TRADE

Council Will Direct the Exports of Nation During War.

Control of American exports, authorized in a clause of the espionage bill, was assumed by President Wilson with the appointment of an exports council comprising the secretaries of state, agriculture and commerce and the food administrator. An executive order creating the council directs the department of commerce to administer all details of operation.

A victorious conclusion of the war can come, the president said in a statement tonight outlining the country's export policy, only by systematic direction of American trade.

"The free play of trade will not be arbitrarily interfered with," he said. "It will only be intelligently and systematically directed in the light of full information with regard to the needs and market conditions throughout the world and the necessities of our people at home and our armies and the armies of our associates abroad."

Playground Opens.

The playground at Horace Mann school is open for boys and girls every morning except Saturday, between the hours of 9 and 11:30 o'clock, beginning Monday, under the direction of Mr. H. P. Clarke.

PATRIOTIC SERVICES TO BE HELD AT M. E. CHURCH

Patriotic services will be held at the Wilmette M. E. church on Sunday. Prof. Leslie of the Chicago university will lead the singing. Dr. Mann, a veteran of the Civil war, will speak at 10:45 o'clock.

Stereopticon pictures will be shown at 7:45 o'clock, and the public is invited.



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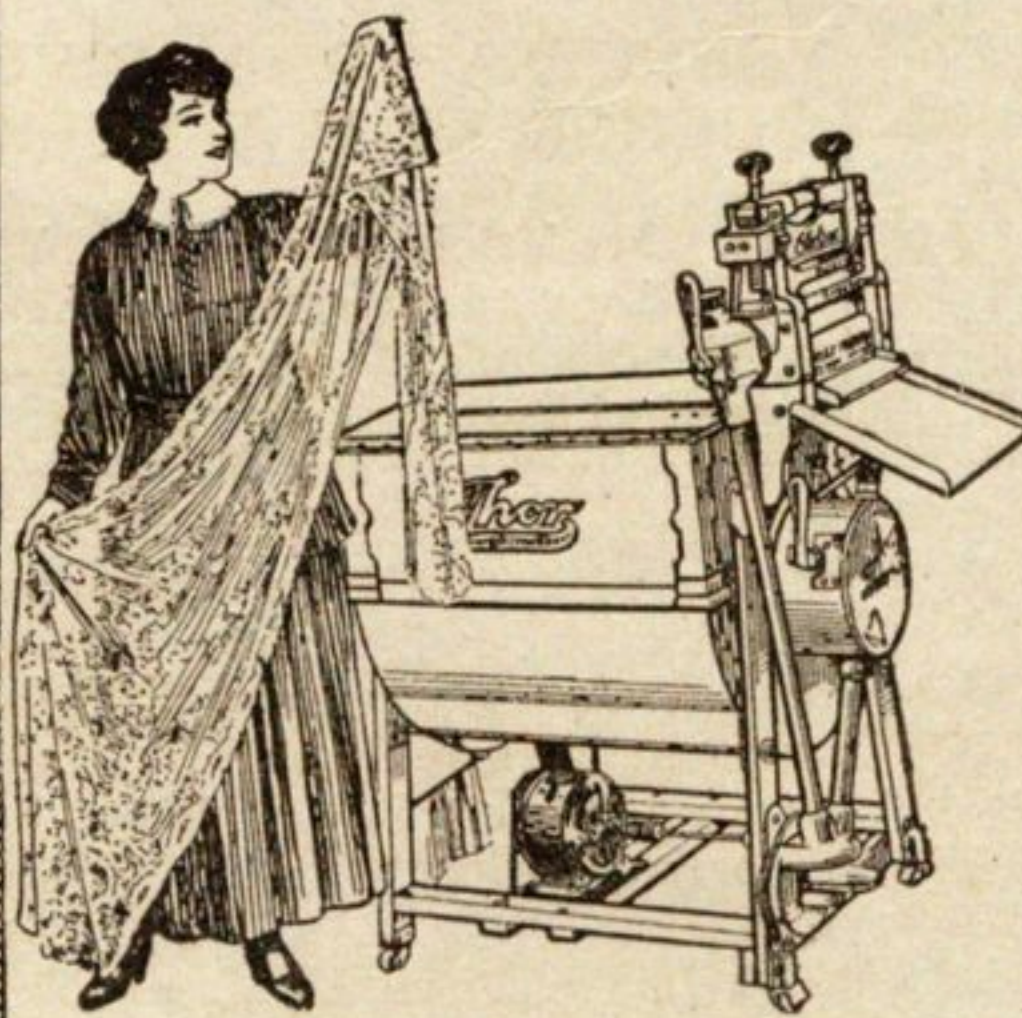
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