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## K. TENNEY PICKED TO HEAD WAR UNION

Tenney Elected to Succeed Mr. Elting, Who Leaves for Washington, D. C., to Assist Government.

## SUE NOVEMBER REPORTS

Red Cross and Navy Comforts Committee Report Activities Here.

By Eloise W. Wortley.

At the regular meeting of the War Emergency Union, Tuesday, December 11, Mr. Horace Kent Tenney was elected president of the union to succeed Victor Elting, who resigned to resume his duties in Washington, D. C.

Mr. Tenney brings to the work a deep and enthusiastic interest and an executive ability which insures to Winnetka an efficient handling of the war work in the village. Other officers elected at this meeting were Mrs. C. C. Wortley, field secretary, and Mr. J. W. F. Davies, vice-chairman.

Variety has entered into the work of the War Emergency Union for November.

A successful patriotic meeting was held at the Community house gymnasium, November 18.

Through the union an arrangement was made for a joint conference of the grocers and other merchants with the Winnetka food conservation committee and Mr. A. A. Beebe, on November 15, to determine food prices in the village.

Fifty-four pairs of sheepskin slippers have been sent to Camp Grant for Winnetka boys.

A Service Flag now hangs in the village and there are 172 stars to show the number of men representing Winnetka in active service.

The Y. M. C. A. campaign has been most successfully completed, showing 966 subscriptions, amounting to \$221.45. These reports have been turned in at the union's office for filing.

The Woman's committee has finished its registration work and the sports show that 1,800 women have enrolled for war service. These cards are in the care of the union.

Reports for November have been received from the Red Cross, the Navy League and American Fund for French Wounded.

A large consignment of books and magazines has been sent to the library for distribution to the soldiers and sailors.

Mr. F. W. Burlingham has offered, again, for school use next year, the five acres of land used by the children last year for gardens.

Many grateful letters have been received by the War Emergency Union from the boys at the Rockford campment.

Four jackie suppers and dances were given at the Community house during November. The average number of men entertained at one of these suppers was placed at eighty. At the dances the average attendance was 125.

The Woman's club was opened two Saturday afternoons in November for bowling, and arrangements have been made to have the club opened every Saturday afternoon during this season.

A number of volunteers have enrolled to assist in the office of the War Emergency Union each week.

## Boys Enlist.

The following boys have enlisted in Winnetka within the past few days: George Evien, aviation service; Otis A. Skinner, public works' department, Great Lakes, Ill.; Victor Hugo Proetz, public works' department, Great Lakes, Ill.; Ernest Muench, radio operator, Great Lakes, Ill.; T. James Wood, Jr., Great Lakes, Ill.; Grinnell Wiley, commissary department, Jacksonville, Fla., and Paul Stube, commissary department, Jacksonville, Fla.

## Red Cross Report.

The Red Cross in Winnetka has completed and shipped the following articles to the Chicago Chapter headquarters: 4,422 gauze dressings, 52 operating stockings, 95 operating shirts, 168 bed socks, 71 wraps, 18 towels, 125 comfort kits, 18 sweaters,

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## VILLAGE OFFICIALS ASK AID OF PEOPLE IN WORK

The village officer in charge of garbage, ashes and rubbish collection makes the following requests of householders:

During the cold weather, drain garbage before placing in cans, and either wrap in paper or cover the bottom of the can with paper to avoid freezing to the can. If this is not done the garbage cans are liable to be damaged. Collectors have been given instructions that no collection shall be made where the garbage cannot be easily dumped.

"Use standard size ash cans, as barrels or other large receptacles become very unwieldy when full of ashes.

"A large number of householders are not complying with the request that ashes be placed outside the building. Unless this is done, the increased expense of collection will make it necessary to add an extra monthly charge, where collectors are compelled to enter the basement. The rates are designed to cover the cost of collection under the terms of the garbage ordinance, which requires that all material to be collected shall be placed outside the building.

"Residents are reminded of the free rubbish collection service being rendered by the village. Complete information as to the days when collections are made in each district may be obtained by calling Winnetka 54."

## CHRISTMAS PROGRAM WILL BE HELD AT HIGH SCHOOL

A special program of Christmas music will be given in the New Trier High School auditorium at 4 o'clock next Sunday afternoon by a chorus of two hundred and fifty members, the glee clubs and the orchestra, under the direction of Mr. Homer E. Cotton. It is hoped to make such programs an annual event. No admission fee is charged and everyone in the township is invited to attend.

The principal work to be sung will be "The Adoration," a Christmas cantata by George Nevin. In this the solos will be taken by Mr. Reach and Mr. Snyder. The cantata, with some other numbers by the orchestra and the chorus, will form part one of the program. Part two of the program will consist of carols and Christmas hymns, in which the audience will be asked to take part.

## ASK WINNETKA WOMEN TO SEW ON GARMENTS

Winnetka women are urgently requested to sew on garments for the French and Belgian children every Tuesday at the Community house from 9 to 5 o'clock. The work is under the direction of the Ridge Avenue Neighborhood circle.

The materials for the garments are furnished by the local Red Cross committee and the finished garments are returned to the Red Cross headquarters for shipment. Garments may be taken home to be sewed and returned Tuesdays at the Community house. Coffee is served to the women bringing box luncheon.

## Help the Children.

Mrs. Clarence E. Melhope, 300 Woodland avenue, requests the people of Winnetka to donate paraffine and candle ends, which will be used in war work by the children in the schools. Odds and ends of wool are also used by the little folk in their war work.

## Men's Club to Meet.

The Winnetka Men's club will meet on Tuesday evening, December 18, at Community house. The speaker for the evening will be the Hon. Richard Hazelton, M. P., secretary of the Irish Nationalist party. Dinner will be served at 7 o'clock.

## Barnett Honored.

Barnett of the New Trier High school football team was given the position of fullback on the All-Cook-County football team by Chicago critics in their selections of last week.

## Meet to New Trier.

New Trier's swimming team won the interscholastic meet, held under the auspices of the I. A. C. last week, with 28 points.

## Proclamation

By Woodrow Wilson, President of the United States of America

TO THE PEOPLE of the United States:

Ten million Americans are invited to join the American Red Cross during the week ending with Christmas Eve. The times require that every branch of our great national effort shall be loyally upheld, and it is peculiarly fitting that at Christmas season the Red Cross should be the branch through which your willingness to help is expressed.

You should join the American Red Cross because it alone can carry the pledges of Christmas good will to those who are bearing for us the real burdens of the world war both in our navy and in the nations upon whose territory the issues of the world war are being fought out. Your evidence of faith in this work is necessary for their heartening and cheer.

YOU SHOULD JOIN the American Red Cross because this army of the national service is steadfastly and efficiently maintaining the overseas relief in every suffering land, administering our millions wisely and well and awakening the gratitude of every people.

Our conscience will not let us enjoy the Christmas season if this pledge of support to our cause and the world's weal is left unfulfilled. Red Cross membership is the Christmas spirit in terms of action.

WOODROW WILSON,  
President of the American Red Cross.

## DR. BROWN BENEFIT IS ANNOUNCED FOR MONDAY

Last Wednesday afternoon the sale of Christmas cards and small gifts, which was held at the home of Mrs. Douglas Smith for the benefit of the Dr. Alice Barlow-Brown fund, was very successful. The proceeds amounted to \$100.

Christmas cards and gifts were displayed on long tables in the drawing room, while flowers and plants were for sale in the conservatory. In the dining room fruit cakes in the most attractive metal boxes were offered to buyers, and jams and jellies were sold. The "curiosity table," upon which was an assortment of most interesting framed pictures, brasses and books, attracted the attention of the many people, who helped boost the total sales for the benefit.

Miss M. L. Yates, who is to leave very soon for France, where she will assist Dr. Brown in the relief work, spoke to the shoppers concerning how the Dr. Brown fund will aid in the relief. Miss Yates said that \$50 of the \$600 subscribed will be used to buy toys for the French children this year. Tea was served to the 200 shoppers attending the sale at 4 o'clock.

On Monday, December 17, the second sale for the benefit of the Dr. Brown fund will be held at Mrs. Douglas Smith's residence. Donations for the sale will be gladly received by Mrs. Alfred Newton Burnham.

## Watch the Bulletins.

The officers of the Winnetka War Emergency Union again calls the attention of the people to the bulletin boards erected at the railroad stations in Winnetka and Hubbard Woods. The latest reports concerning war work in the village will be posted on these boards.

## Christmas Boxes.

The South-East unit of the Winnetka Red Cross has sent several Christmas boxes to the men on the "S. S. Mariette." The boxes contained candles, figs, cakes and a number of packages of cigarettes.

## New Trier Team Wins.

New Trier heavyweights and lightweights won their basketball games from Lane Tech last Saturday. The majors won from the Lane heavies, 19 to 11, and the lightweights won, 20 to 11.

## False Alarm.

The Winnetka Fire department was called out Monday of this week to answer a false alarm in Hubbard Woods.

## HIGH SCHOOL COACH TO LEAVE FOR MINNESOTA

Chauncey A. Hyatt, swimming coach under whom New Trier Township High school teams have been almost unbeatable for four years, has been engaged as swimming instructor and coach of water sports at the Minneapolis Athletic club. Hyatt will leave Kenilworth for his new duties this week.

Hyatt went to New Trier five years ago, and for one year had the task of assembling a first-class team of swimmers. After that first year his bunch of prep school natators built up a great reputation as stars. Before going to New Trier Hyatt was at the University of Wisconsin, where he was in principal charge of water sports while the school was making its start at the swimming game.

The New Trier Teams under Hyatt have the record of never having been beaten in a dual meet in four years. In that time his high school boys totaled more points in swimming than all the other high school tank teams of the Chicago district combined. One of the stars developed by Hyatt is George Schaefer, a youth who is an exceptionally good plunger, and at present holds the record in that event for prep school contestants. Last summer Hyatt was in charge of water sports at Edgewater Beach, and the Central A. A. U. outdoor championship events for men and women there were run off under his direction.

## CAPT. LINN WINS ARMY HONORS AT CAMP GRANT

Capt. James H. Linn of Winnetka, stationed at Camp Grant with Battery D, won the competitive drill of the 332d Artillery Regiment, which was concluded this week, with the best score of all six batteries. Thirteen subjects, in judging the artilleryists, were considered. They were: Clean lines, battery and kitchen, salute and courtesies, dismounting drill, mounted drill, signaling, tent pitching, cordage, artillery, physical training, administration and policing, first aid, nomenclature of pistol and guard duty.

The 332d Artillery has opened its Officers' club, beating the next-door neighbor, Col. Ward's 333d Heavy Artillery, by a few days.

Capt. Linn has been transferred from Camp Grant to the "School of Fire" at Fort Sill, Okla., for three months.

## FORT SHERIDAN WILL BE USED FOR NAVAL SCHOOL

A naval officers' training station which will be a "second Annapolis," in connection with the first merchant marine school to be established in the United States, is to be located at Fort Sheridan. The fort, besides being turned into an adjunct to the Annapolis Naval academy, is to be made an addition to the Great Lakes Naval station under the command of Captain W. A. Moffett. Announcement to this effect was made this week.

More than 8,000 naval officers can be trained at the same time at Fort Sheridan, according to the plans that have been all but completed by the War Department.

## Outlines War Work.

Mrs. W. F. Gilmore of Evanston, who is conducting the war programs in the schools of that city, will speak at the Horace Mann school this afternoon at 4 o'clock. Mrs. Gilmore will outline the work for the captains and lieutenants in charge of the Winnetka schools.

## Finish Paving.

The paving of Sheridan road from North avenue to Elm street is completed. Work on the remaining stretch of road will be resumed next spring and the new pavement will be constructed on this popular drive to the limits of Kenilworth.

## New Rector.

During the absence of the Rev. Frank E. Wilson, rector of St. Augustine's church, the Rev. A. Worger-Slade will be in charge of the parish. Dr. Slade will be at the church study each morning from 8:30 to 11:30 o'clock.

## RED CROSS WORKERS BEGIN GREAT DRIVE

Committee in Charge of Campaign for New Members in New Trier Township to Begin Drive Monday.

## RED CROSS CHRISTMAS

John A. Jameson of Winnetka Is the Chairman in This District.

The work of the Red Cross has been growing by leaps and bounds during the past year, and the calls upon it are increasing and will continue to increase so long as the war lasts. To meet these calls and care for the work being thrust upon it, the American Red Cross needs a largely increased membership. A nation-wide campaign for new members and for renewals of memberships for the year 1918 will be started next Monday, December 17. Between that day and Christmas it is planned for workers in every district of the country to secure Red Cross members for 1918.

The object of the campaign is to give our country and its allies the largest Red Cross membership possible as a Christmas gift. It is planned to ask every person in the United States to become a member or renew their membership for the coming year, and the aim of those in charge of the national campaign to secure at least 15,000,000 members for the American Red Cross during the week before Christmas.

This goal means that the membership must be more than doubled and to reach it on the north shore the best organizing talent of this district has been put behind the movement. In New Trier township the campaign committee is headed by John A. Jameson, who has associated with him, Frederick W. Penfield of Glencoe, F. Goddard Cheney of Winnetka, A. T. McIntosh of Kenilworth, Frank J. Seng of Wilmette and John H. Schaefer of Gross Point.

"The actual canvass will be conducted by the appropriate committees of the Glencoe War Emergency Union, Winnetka War Emergency Union, Wilmette Home Guard and the patriotic organizations of Kenilworth and Gross Point, whose members are planning a house-to-house canvass of great thoroughness," Mr. Jameson said.

"It is understood that the central campaign committee has fixed the quota of members desired in the respective villages of New Trier as approximately fifteen per cent of their population, including therein both the old and new members, and it is their hope that the communities of the north shore will far exceed this figure."

The campaign starts next Monday and closes the night before Christmas. It has been timed for the Christmas week with the object of merging the Christmas spirit into the Red Cross activities. Its objects are:

1. To secure new members.
2. To renew present memberships for the full year of 1918.
3. To secure a "Magazine Member" in every home.
4. To have every member display a Red Cross service flag.
5. To have every household celebrate Christmas Eve by placing a lighted candle behind their Red Cross service flag.

The Red Cross must have more loyal hearts and swift, willing hands at its command, or our boys over in the trenches will suffer needlessly and we will be ashamed forever. That is why this campaign is made for 15,000,000 members—they must be had to turn out supplies, and back up our fighting forces, and help the suffering civilians to keep alive until the German is driven home.

There is also an immense work for the Red Cross in our own land. The dependent families of our fighting men must be cared for. They must not be permitted to suffer cold or hunger or want in any form. They must be kept from evil associations. Their standard of living must not be lowered. The Red Cross has been designated by the government to do this work—and it must have a membership of not less than 15,000,000.