

War Emergency Notes

The War Emergency Union is sending out the following "Bulletin" to Winnetka War Workers. It presents a detailed description of the activities of the organization, covering the period of the first year of the participation of the United States in the World War. It is published for the express purpose of inspiring all patriotic Winnetkans to further efforts in relief and such other work as will aid the cause of the country and the allies during the current year, considered by many the decisive year of the war.

When the United States went to war last April, every city and village faced an emergency. Winnetka had no organization whose duty it should be to co-operate with the government, focus the patriotic activities of its citizens and care for those on whom the war laid unexpected hardships.

To meet this emergency, the citizens of Winnetka in April, 1917, formed the War Emergency Union of Winnetka. Ours was one of the first communities in the United States so to centralize the efforts of its loyal citizens and make them count for more.

One hundred and ninety Winnetka men are now in the military or naval service of the nation. Of these, many are already in France. The purpose of the War Emergency Union is to back these men, assisting their families, and hold up the hands of the government until victory comes. Its first eight months have been busy ones.

War Gardens

Last spring the government voiced the need of increased food production. The Winnetka Union responded by organizing the war gardens. Owners donated vacant lots; workers volunteered or were found to cultivate the soil. A tractor plow was enlisted. A school garden was undertaken. Hundreds of people listened to talks on intelligent gardening and obtained printed matter on agricultural subjects.

And having increased the production of vegetables, the Union assisted with instruction in the preservation and wiser use of food. There were lectures and demonstrations on cooking, canning, etc. The surplus garden truck was distributed to the needy in Chicago.

Reserve Militia

For home service during the war, the Winnetka Voluntary Training Unit was organized under the direction of the Union. This unit had 154 names on the rolls. It was later reorganized as Unit No. 307 of the Illinois Volunteer Training Corps, and as Company A, First Regiment Infantry Reserve Militia. These organizations, fully uniformed and armed with modern rifles, are now drilling as a single body.

Jackie Parties

The problem of healthful diversion and recreational protection for the thousands of young men at North Shore encampments soon demanded attention. Since early summer, the Union has supported a weekly entertainment for the jacksies at Community House. In seeking to establish home-like surroundings for these stranger boys from the Great Lakes Station, Winnetka has done only what all of us want done for the boys leaving home to fight for the country. The women who have given their time and energies devotedly to this work have superbly met a great opportunity.

Soldier Comfort

In many other things which required the unofficial action of the village, the Union has served. When our selected men went away in September, they were given a warm-hearted and impressive farewell. A comfort kit made by the Red Cross was presented to each man. As winter came, warm sheepskin slippers were supplied to all the Winnetka boys at Camp Grant. An American flag was also sent to them. Copies of the "Messenger," furnished by the Union, bring them the home news.

Patriotic Publicity

Union also that the service flag was It was under the direction of the supplies, which flies just west of the tracks on Elm street; and that the large food conservation sign board was put up, as well as the bulletin boards which are maintained at the Winnetka, Hubbard Woods and Indian Hill stations.

The "Census" Committee

Of great importance as a means of co-operating with the government, a complete organization of the village has been effected by the Union, through its census committee, one member of which is assigned to each block, to take action as needed. Through this committee, direct

personal appeals were made to everyone in the village on behalf of the great patriotic movements for the Red Cross, the Y. M. C. A. and the Liberty Loans. It is because of this thorough organization that Winnetka has made a notable showing in these patriotic efforts.

Education in Patriotism

To insure a more complete understanding of America's war aims and to rouse the spirit of loyalty throughout the community, the Union has held frequent patriotic meetings at the Community House.

How You Can Help

In these and many other lines of patriotic activity, the Union serves Winnetka as a lens through which the energies of its citizens may be focused into clean-cut accomplishment. The Union does not take the place of any other patriotic organization; it co-operates with all, seeks to help each in its work and, by co-ordination, makes every effort more effective. The Union is your hand—the strong hand of this community—helping to sustain the fighters at the front, our government in its great task, and our own people with their extra burdens.

At Community House, the Union maintains a permanent office—telephone Winnetka 470. Mrs. Eloise W. Wortley, field secretary, in charge, is constantly on duty, ready to furnish information and assist in any work. If you have suggestions or contributions of any sort that might increase Winnetka's war ef-

fectiveness you can translate them into action by getting in touch with the secretary.

President Wilson has indicated that 1918 is to be the decisive year of the war. Within the next ten months are to be concentrated the pain and effort by which we hope to bring permanent peace and liberty to the world. For every man, woman and child in Winnetka, this thought should be the inspiration to a full measure of service. For the Union, a glance ahead shows, that all the activities undertaken last year must be continued and enlarged. Tens of thousands of boys are being passed through the Great Lakes Training course; and are in constant need of recreation and guidance. Many more selected men must soon go into camp—to be followed with Winnetka's care and encouragement. Families, whose bread-winners have given

themselves to the nation's service, must not be allowed to bear more than their share of the hardship of war. The certainty of calls for as-

sistance of this kind is already apparent. They must be met fully and

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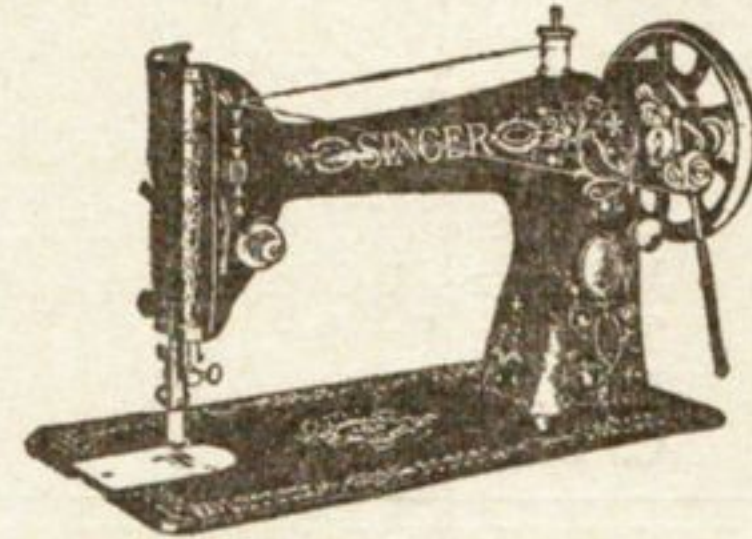
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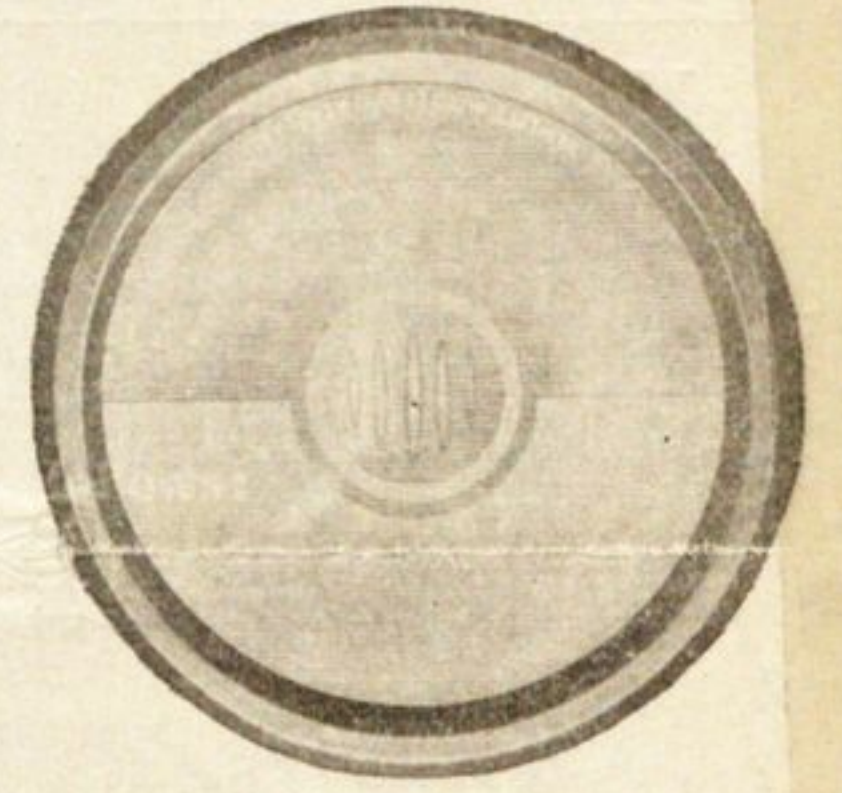
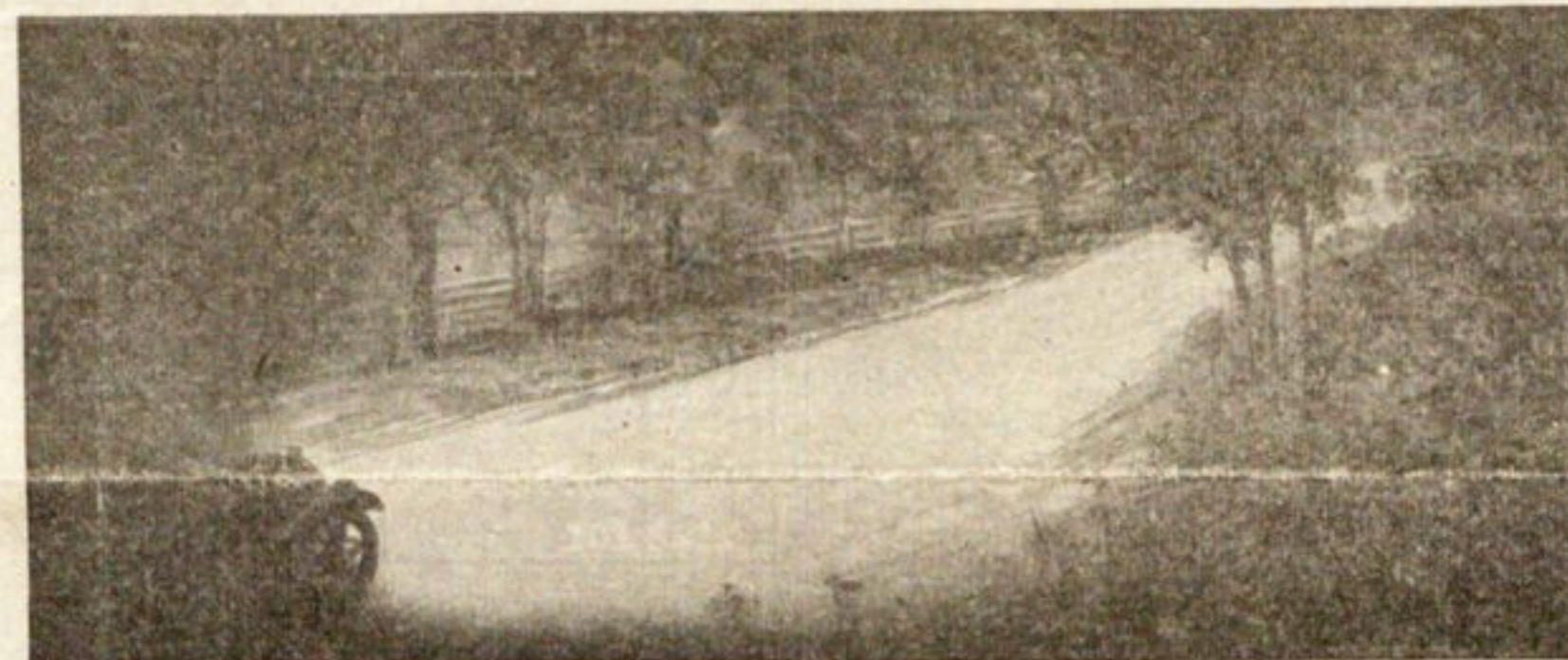
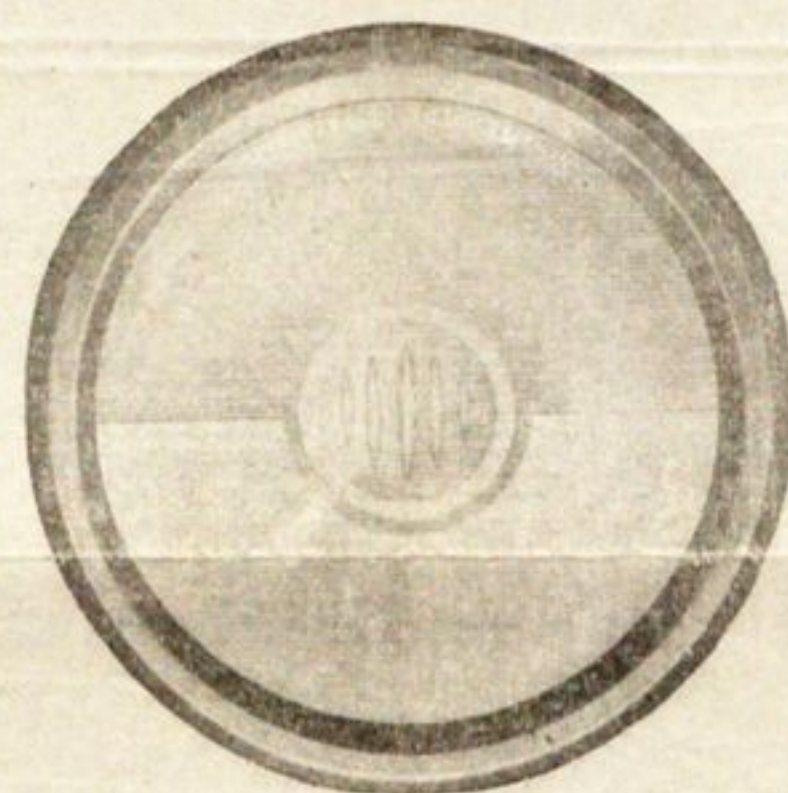
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Why Wait to Be Arrested

Unless the motorist equips his car with lenses or dimmers his arrest may come at any moment and this spring will find the authorities very active to do away with the glare nuisance. Dimmers are extremely ineffective as well as dangerous, they act only to cut down and dim the light, the driver cannot see the road and they are a constant menace to his safety. The Newlite Lens gives a strong white light without the glare and is legal everywhere.

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