

# WINNETKA WEEKLY TALK

Nearly Everybody In Winnetka Reads The Talk

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## NEW TRIER GIVES 104 GRADS SHEEPSKINS

Commencement Program Converted Into Veritable Patriotic Rally; Professor Scott in Address

## CADETS UNFURL COLORS

Presentation of English Prizes to six Honor Students Also a Feature

A crowd that tested the capacity of the high school auditorium attended the commencement exercises of the Class of 1918 at the high school on Friday evening, June 7. They came to witness the graduating of one hundred and five students of the school, the largest class that has ever been graduated from New Trier. Many of the diplomas had to be sent to the candidates as ten boys of the class were not present at the exercises because they were working on the farm, and six had entered the active armed service of the government.

It was a particularly patriotic evening from the time the flags were drawn in front of the platform, on which were seated members of the class and two hundred members of the chorus, until the benediction from Father E. J. Vattmann. The whole theme was centered around the war and its demands upon the times.

### Unfurl The Colors

One of the most pleasant features of the evening was the bringing in the flag by the high school cadets and the bugle call preceding the ceremony.

Professor John Scott of Northwestern University was the principal speaker of the evening, and he gave a most stirring, patriotic address based upon historic precedence. He stirred the audience to a high pitch of enthusiasm. Principal Henry B. Brown presented the class to the President of the Board, who pointed out to them the unusual privileges that were theirs to be educated in a time in which the ideals of democracy and responsibilities of democratic government were so clearly brought to the attention of the world by the logical events.

### Six Win Honor Prizes

Mr. Henry P. Williams presented the English prizes, for which he has been the generous donor for a number of years, in a very pleasing manner, to the following students who secured these prizes through competitive theme writing:

Edith Brigham, first prize, short story.

Alice Jackson, second prize, Play.

Mildred Bowers, first prize, Verse.

Mabelle Rogers, second prize, Verse.

Gertrude Shippen, first prize, miscellaneous.

Elizabeth Brown, second prize, miscellaneous.

One hundred and five graduates received their diplomas from the Board of Education. They were as follows:

- Eleanore Ambler
- Josephine Balluff
- Ethyl Georgianna Barrett
- Katherine Bartholf\*
- Lydell Beaumont
- Marion Elizabeth Bell
- Esther Katherine Bellows
- Helen Margaretta Blasius
- Ellenor Schell Blymyer
- Mildred Bowers
- Elizabeth Uorton Brown\*
- Virginia Buchanan
- Marjorie Elliott Burchard
- Catherine Calhoun
- Katherine Cody
- Lucile Nielson Curtis
- Dorothy Belle Davis
- Caroline Elliott Falls
- Grace Katherine Freeman
- Alice Elizabeth Gallagher
- Margaret Hannah Hadley
- Florin K. Hahn
- Margaret Adams Haskins
- Ruth Lenore Hodgson
- Alice Clothilde Hotz\*
- Helen Marie Hotz
- Mary Bernice Hubbsch\*
- Helen Dwyer Irwin
- Joy Belle Jackson\*
- Gladys Readio Jones
- Dorothy Bernice Kasten\*
- Helen Charlotte Knapp
- Marion Lasier

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## War Emergency Notes

The monthly report of the various branches of the Winnetka War Emergency Union is an account of a splendid record in war relief work. The women of the Village have been especially industrious in view of the urgent calls from the war zone for garments and other wartime activities.

### Surgical Dressings admitted

Last month we felt that we had a very large quota to finish but the last four days found us out of work.

The good work done by the branch meeting at Mrs. Younker's was of great assistance in finishing our quota of one thousand Front Line Pads, nine thousand Tampons and twenty thousand Applicator sticks; thereby finishing what was left from April, as well as our May quota.

Grace E. Prindiville,  
Chairman Surgical Dressings.

### Report of Knitting Committee for May, Winnetka Auxiliary No. 8

Red Cross: 33 sweaters, 141 pairs of socks, 6 pairs of wristlets, 1 trench cap.

American Fund for French wounded: 30 pairs of socks, 1 scarf.

War Emergency Union: 12 pairs of socks, 6 sweaters.

We also made 25 sweater jackets.

Total: 39 sweaters, 183 pairs of socks, 1 scarf, 6 pairs of wristlets, 4 helmets, 1 trench cap, 25 sweater jackets.

Mary H. Elmer,  
Chairman Knitting Committee.

### French Refugee Children Garments, May, 1918

Meeting Thursday afternoons.

6 children dresses, 50 diapers, 5 baby kits filled, 11 infant caps, 8 infant shirts, 7 infant wrappers, 1 infant nightgown, 5 infant dresses, 15 garters, 18 pairs infant socks, 18 pairs infant sacks, 9 washclothes, 5 cakes soap, 5 powder cans, 2 bibs.

Eleanor B. Husband.

### Registration Committee

There were two meetings of the Committee this month, the Committee consisting of Mrs. Hamburger, Mrs. John Ritchie, Mrs. Mordock and Mrs. Barnum, Mrs. Stanton, and Mrs. Howe. We have prepared a list with the help of the War Emergency Union of what we consider eligible workers and each one of this list is to receive a letter from the War Emergency Union which will be followed up personally by a member of the committee. We have also asked the head of each department to have her workers register each day, hoping in that way not only to keep track of them but also to form a public opinion on the subject.

Hester Ludlaw Howe.

### Hospital Garments, May, 1918

This Department made 274 garments in May, 254 for the Red Cross and 20 for the Italian Red Cross. We received notice that we had been put on the Roll of Honor at the Main Office for our fine work and perfect packing. Many thanks are due to our efficient branches which are doing splendid work.

Mabel B. Boyden,  
Chairman.

### Conservation Shop

	Brght Fwd	May	Ttl.
French Shop	3344	92	3436
Dr. Brown	909	88	997
Relief and Aid	803	98	901
Infant Welfare	423	89	512
Local Charities	92	90	1082
Red Cross	415	415	415
United Charities	.....	.....	300
Total	7,186	872	7,343

Mrs. Frank Fulton,  
Chairman.

### Report Change of Location

The War Emergency Union asks relatives and friends of men in the service, to report any change of location of soldiers or sailors to the office, Room 8, Community House, Telephone 1,000.

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## REAL SOLDIER NOW SAYS PERSHING MAN

Young Winnetka Fighter with Pershing Does not Fail to See Humor and Bright Side of Death Conflict

## READY FOR ANYTHING NOW

Pene Letter While in Dug-Out as Hun Bombardment Rages Over-head

A soldier boy with a keen sense of humor is Guy Bolte who today is somewhere in France with General Pershing's fighters. A letter recently received by his father offers a scintillating depiction of the life just opposite the German front line trenches. It reads in part as follows:

Wednesday, April 17, '18.

Dear Dad:—  
I'm so full of things to-day that I'm about to bust, but I doubt if much of it would get by the censor. We left the school Sunday night under very favorable conditions and right company, but the all night ride to Paris was not so good in spite of our fair preparations for same.

Just before we go any farther I want to state that I am writing this some meters underground, and on top of these few but very valuable meters is a Battery of not-so-puny guns heaving the afternoon's compliments over the hill at Fritz, so I may be a bit jumpy.

### Atmosphere Is Inspiring

There is a French sous Lieutenant at the 'phone at my elbow who is making more noise than the guns, so taking it by and large it's a very clubby place to dash off an inspiring epistle.

To continue, we hit the "Main Stem" about 7 o'clock in the morning, and have five hours' rest that rotten luck—to see what we could see.

You "savvy" my "lingo" plenty so I'll steal a bunch of O'Henry's stuff and give you a tip that after a three hour ride in a bus we hit the spot where beats the heart of France. Slip it to Gouverneur Morris that he has nothing on me except as a writer, for I slept where he did and I've seen all that he saw, only I'm here on business and not to write about the place.

### Predicts Interesting Time

Fun. If I don't have the greatest time of my life it will be because I lose my Angora, or my W. K. sense of humor.

Here I am with a bunch of frogs and orientals none of whom speak more than a few words of English and my French has broken down under the strain completely, but we are getting along famously and are real companions-in-arms already. Everybody is working together for one end so we really have little trouble in making a go of the thing. Wouldn't miss it for millions.

Even with all we know about the devastation it simply cannot be understood until all is seen. "Heleva" place—nothing stands up when once either side gets after it, but where I am, the untouched spots are simply massed with violets and anemones, the little dicky birds sing cheerfully on the stumps and we are outside most of the time when it stops raining, which is not frequent.

I now number among my most valued possessions a nose bag and a steel kelly—first thing they know I'm going to take this war seriously, which might be a good thing for me, so that I'll begin to look like a soldier anyway, and that's half the battle.

### Glad to Give Life

It locks like a mighty safe place to me but accidents are always possible in a place like this where the hills are so steep and the birds fly so high. If I should get a one-way ticket here or any other place, just keep your mind on the fact that I have no kick against the world or it's treatment of me and I'm glad to go for the sake of the Great Ideal.

Pardon the spoofing—somewhat after the above was penned Fritz pulled a raid, and just as our guns got off altogether, I hit the top of the dug-out stairs on my way out and the old legs quit working altogether for about ten seconds. Gosh, 'twas a funny feeling, but it's old stuff now.

## VILLAGE HALL NOTES

As the Fourth of July approaches attention is called to the provision of the Village Code of Ordinances which prohibits the discharge within the limits of the Village of Winnetka, of any rocket, cracker, torpedo, squib or other fireworks, or anything containing a substance of an explosive nature. The penalty for violation of the provisions of this chapter is a fine of not less than \$10 or more than \$100.

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Chief of Police Peterson who has been absent on leave of absence at Pensacola, Florida, has returned to Winnetka and resumed his duties in the department.

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Paving of Sheridan road has progressed as far south as Willow street.

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The north end of Sheridan road at the Glencoe limits is being repaired under private contract by James Foley and company of Evanston.

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In order to obtain tarvia for street resurfacing it is now necessary to secure government approval through the State Highway department at Springfield.

## ITALIAN OFFICER WILL SPEAK OF TRENCH LIFE

Lieutenant Violini to Appear at Community House patriotic meeting, Sunday, June 30

On Sunday evening, June 30, Lieutenant Violini, a young Italian officer will speak in Community House at a patriotic meeting, held under the auspices of the War Emergency Union.

Lieutenant Violini has been wounded in action, and has a wonderful story to tell. There will be good music.

Further announcement of this meeting will be made later.

## FIFTY-FIVE GRADUATES IN WINNETKA SCHOOLS

Fifty-five pupils in the public schools received their graduation diplomas this evening at the annual public school commencement exercises in Community House.

The program of the evening was simple and impressive and was of a patriotic tone throughout.

Reverend J. W. F. Davies of the Winnetka Congregational church delivered a brief address before the graduates while the balance of the program was entirely musical in nature.

Songs presented were, "Land of Mine", "The Home Road", "Lead Us, Holy Father, Lead Us", "The Angelus", "Spring Song", "A Girl's chorus Song", and "The Star Spangled Banner".

## WHERE ARE THESE MEN? TELL EMERGENCY UNION!

In order to complete the records of the War Emergency Union, any information concerning the following men will be gratefully received at the office, Room 8, Community House, Telephone Winnetka 1,000.

Abraham Stamps, Sam Gladstein, John Ullian, Huntington Morse, Ernest Muench, Cornelius Bosman, William G. Hill, Walter Laatsch and Robert Dugund.

We had a good working out for about thirty minutes, but this night fighting is a scandalous affair to my mind altho' very beautiful to watch.

Read all you can about the noise a shell makes when flying your way, multiply by ten and then you might as well have been born deaf for all you will know about it. But the strange part of it is I am perfectly fascinated by it, and wish to go where it is happening. However, be assured that I restrain this impulse with comparative ease. Shells leaving have a rather soothing whistle which I favor even more, so I am bound to be pleased one way or another.

Will write again as soon as possible.

Your Son,  
Guy.

## KIDDIES' CARNIVAL TO BOOST INFANT WELFARE

Proceeds To Be Applied to Work of the Winnetka Branch of the National Society

## JUNE 28 SET AS THE DAY

Leading Women To Be in Charge of Entertainment at John N. Ott Residence

The Winnetka Branch of the Infant Welfare Society will hold a Children's Carnival on Friday, June 28, at 4 Indian Hill road, at the residence of Mrs. John N. Ott, from 3 to 7 o'clock. In case of rain it will be postponed until Saturday, June 29. The admission will be 25 cents for children and 50 cents for adults.

There will be all sorts of amusements for children, a Punch and Judy Show, a Grab Bag, Fish Pond, Slides and Teeter, ponies to ride, and balloons and whistles and flags for sale.

Exhibition of fancy dancing will be given and music will be provided throughout the entire afternoon. Ice cream, soft drinks, wheatless cakes and cookies, and sugarless candy will be on sale, and those adults who wish may play bridge for \$5 a table, including refreshments.

### Leading Women in Charge

Mrs. Charles T. Mordock will have charge of the ice cream cones; Mrs. John Ott of the ice cream parlor; Mrs. John B. Guthrie of the dolls; Mrs. Percy Bradstreet of the soft drinks; Mrs. Alfred Edwards of the fish pond; Mrs. Cornelius Lynde of the Punch and Judy show; Mrs. D. Dallas of the grab bag; Mrs. Lawrence Stein will sell balloons, whistles and flags; Mrs. Arthur Bentley and Mrs. Roy Bell will sell liberty chips; Mrs. Roland Whisman will sell candy; Mrs. N. H. Blatchford, Jr. will have charge of the ponies; Mrs. Ernst von Ammon, Mrs. Harry C. Edmonds, Mrs. William Truesdale and Miss Mosely will have tickets for sale. Tickets will also be for sale at the drug stores, and may be obtained from other members of the society.

### Money To Aid Baby Station

The money raised will go towards defraying the expenses of the Winnetka Infant Welfare Station at the Chicago Commons. It is earnestly hoped the children of Winnetka will all come to have a good time, and at the same time lend a helping hand to their less fortunate brothers and sisters.

## RED CROSS CAMPAIGN HERE BRINGS \$34,512

The Red Cross Fund campaign officially came to a close in Winnetka this week with the total subscription represented in the sum of \$34,512.32. The total number of subscribers was approximately 2,000 or one-third of the total population of the Village.

Public school children of the Village were credited with being responsible for a subscription amounting to \$720, while the pupils in the parochial school raised \$105. The latter were presented with a Flag for passing the 100 per cent mark in subscriptions.

## CHRISTIAN SCIENCE LECTURE TO BE GIVEN HERE TUESDAY

A free lecture on Christian Science will be delivered at the First Church of Christ, Scientist, at Central avenue and Tenth street, Tuesday evening, June 18, at 8 o'clock.

John W. Doorly, C. S. B. of Leeds, England, member of the Board of Lectureship of the Mother church in Boston, will be the lecturer Tuesday evening.

## NORTH END RED CROSS WORKERS ON THE JOB

The North End Winnetka Naval Auxiliary of the American Red Cross reports the following work completed during the month of May: 87 hospital shirts, 80 pajamas, 10 convalescent robes, 23 pairs socks, 11 sweaters, 30 kits, 78 booties, 25 dresses and jackets, 19 bonnets.