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LOAN DRIVE WORKERS GIVEN "PEP" TALKS

Mrs. Allan I. Wolff and H. A. De Windt, Victory Loan Leaders, Address Session at Woman's Club

DISTRIBUTE RECEIPT BOOKS

Workers Display Enthusiasm and Express Confidence in Quick Success

A special meeting of the district and block captains for the Winnetka Victory loan campaign was held at the Winnetka Woman's club this evening.

Mrs. Allan I. Wolff, chairman of the Victory Liberty loan committee of the Woman's club, called the meeting to order and explained the necessary details laying stress upon the great importance of the Victory loan drive which starts Monday, April 21.

Some "Pep" Speeches

Mrs. Wolff urged every block captain to start at full speed Monday with the determination to "finish the job" in a week rather than "string it out" over the entire three weeks of the drive.

H. A. de Windt, Winnetka chairman of the Victory Liberty loan campaign, told the session of the work of preparation already accomplished and what had been done in the way of creating a spirit of enthusiasm in the Village and calling attention to the duty of citizenship in connection with the impending campaign.

Prepares The Way

This preliminary publicity, he emphasized, would have the effect of preparing the prospective bond buyers for the visits of the block captains serving in the capacity of an advance agent, as it were. This advance campaign, he said, would also have the result of making the canvassing of the homes easier for the workers since the captains would, obviously, encounter less opposition.

Kits and receipt books were distributed at the meeting, and upon adjournment the captains expressed great confidence in the quick success of the campaign.

CHRIST CHURCH EASTER PROGRAM IS ANNOUNCED

There will be three services in Christ church, Sheridan road and Humboldt avenue, on Easter day, to all of which the community generally will be cordially welcomed.

The first service will be at 7 o'clock in the morning. There will be an address by the Reverend E. Ashley Gerhard, rector, and the following musical program will be sung:

The Processional
Hymn 112 Lyra Davidica
Kyrie Tuckerman
Gloria Tibi Anon
Hymn 121 Palestrina
Offertory Anthem Harker
"As it Began to Dawn"
Sanctus Camidge
Agnus Dei Cruickshank
Gloria in Excelsis Old Chant
Nunc Dimittis Gregorian
The Recessional
Hymn 115 Tours
FOUR - TALK

The second service will be at 11 o'clock, and will consist of Morning prayer, Holy Communion and sermon. The program of music will be as follows:

The Processional
Hymn 110 Sullivan
Christ ous Passover Crotch
Proper Psalms 2,57,111.
Te Deum Laudamus in C Salter
Jubilate Deo Smith
Hymn 113 Sullivan
Shorter Kyrie Winter
Gloria Tibi Eyre
Hymn 121 Palestrina
Sermon

Offertory Anthem Tours
"God hath Appointed a Day"
Sanctus Gounod
Gloria in Excelsis Old Chant
Nunc Dimittis Beethoven
The Recessional

Hymn 368 Powell
In the afternoon, at 4:30, there will be a Children's Festival at which Easter carols will be sung and the missionary mite-box will be presented.

Victory Loan Captains

On page 8 of this issue will be found a complete and revised list of the Victory Liberty loan District and Block Captains, together with the designation of boundary lines of each district.

VICTORY LOAN NOTES

Boy Scouts Tramp Through Rain Placing Loan Posters in Every Store Window in Winnetka

Every resident of Winnetka will want to be well informed concerning the progress of the Victory Liberty loan campaign in the Village. The following notes are compiled by H. A. de Windt, chairman of the campaign in Winnetka, and demand the attention of every citizen.

VICTORY LOAN HEADQUARTERS

The furniture store of Charles F. Schlieski at 563 Lincoln avenue, (just north of the post office) has been rented for the Victory Loan headquarters.

Frederick S. Tyrell and Arthur A. Zipi have consented to take charge of the headquarters same as they did for the last loan and Mrs. William Dent Beall has volunteered to be regularly at the headquarters to help with the details.

WATCH FOR AEROPLANE

Arrangements have been made for an aeroplane flight over Winnetka during the Victory Loan drive. The plane will drop Victory loan literature over the Village.

BOY SCOUTS DISTRIBUTE POSTERS

On Thursday 14 Boy Scouts started out early, right into the rain, to place Victory loan posters in every store window in the Village. The Scouts are doing lots of helpful work for the Victory Liberty loan campaign.

VICTORY LOAN QUOTA REDUCED

Winnetka's quota for the Fourth Liberty loan was \$650,000. This quota has been reduced to \$500,000 for the Victory loan, but such is the enthusiasm of the district and block captains that, already, they are talking of "Over the Top" figures. WATCH THE BIG THERMOMETER AT THE STATION.

NEW GERMAN HELMETS

Block captains are to have a chance to win a brand new German helmet. Prizes will be based on the number of subscriptions, amount of bonds sold and the number of days of each week they land subscriptions for the bonds.

WANT PHOTOS OF MEN WHO FOUGHT IN WAR

The service album, containing the photographs and records of Winnetka men is progressing nicely. It is important that the photographs of each man in service from Winnetka be sent in as soon as possible. If the families of such men have not already sent a photograph, it is urgently asked that they do so promptly. These will be bound together with the record and when the volumes are completed, they will be placed in the Public library for future reference. Please bring or send to the office of the War Emergency Union, or to Miss Olive Grover, chairman of archives.

HISTORIC BEDS OFFERED FOR SALE BY WINNETKAN

Two four-poster beds said to be more than 100 years old and in excellent condition, are announced for sale by Mr. Black of 985 Vine street. The furniture, according to the owner, is of historic value having been at one time the property of the grandfather of Betsy Ross the maker of the first American flag.

Friday

Friday is still Winnetka's regular day at Fort Sheridan. Volunteer drivers can take boys out riding any afternoon. Report in person to Mrs. C. C. Rice, at Red Cross headquarters at Fort Sheridan. As there is a lengthy waiting list of wounded and crippled men, who are unable to be about the grounds, a request is made that the drivers fill their cars at the Red Cross headquarters. Report any such trip to Mrs. Frederick B. Thomas, Phone Winnetka 794.

Vacation Time

Children at St. Joseph's school are enjoying a vacation this week. The school session will re-open on Tuesday, April 22.

CLEAN UP WEEK!

Next week has been designated by the Village manager as "Clean up Week" during which all residents are requested to co-operate in putting the Village in one hundred per cent condition. The universal collection of rubbish which has been made made every two weeks during the past year has kept the Village in much cleaner condition than is ordinarily the case at this time of the year, but there are numerous accumulations of discarded household fixtures, tin cans and other rubbish, particularly in vacant lots, which should be cleaned up. All material to be carted away should be placed by the residents in boxes, barrels, or other containers, and set out on the parkways. Special wagons will be put on during the week, and will collect promptly all material so placed.

THANKS WINNETKA FOR SUPPORTING BIG DISPENSARY

The following letter to Mrs. Thomas Taylor, Jr., and the History of the Winnetka Dispensary will be of interest to Winnetka people, because through their generous donations such splendid work was made possible.

Note:—The History of the Winnetka Dispensary appears elsewhere in this issue.

Mrs. Thomas Taylor, Jr., Winnetka, Illinois.

My dear Mrs. Taylor:—We are enclosing herewith a history of the Winnetka Dispensary which I feel sure will interest the donors.

Mere words cannot tell the good work that has been accomplished by your generosity but this will serve as a slight record of the help you have given this past year and a half.

Most of the personnel are now scattered but the work will go on until we close our doors in the spring. Dr. Brown, as you probably know, will remain with the Lafayette committee. She was here two weeks ago and was much interested in the great distress of northern France and said we would organize a dispensary and small hospital at Cambrai. We were delighted with this idea and went at once to the Commission for Relief of Belgium to lay before them the proposition but unfortunately Dr. Brown has changed her mind concerning it. We cannot blame her at all for they are devoted to her at Chavaniac and naturally do not want to lose a woman who has not only organized the entire work of the Lafayette Preventorium but has also endeared herself to the people of the adjacent towns.

I may come to America in a few weeks and hope I will have the pleasure of seeing you either in Chicago or in Winnetka, for my trip would not be complete unless I could explain to you how we have spent the money you have sent us so generously for all these years.

Very sincerely yours,
Isabel S. Lathrop,
President.

PRAISES WORK OF DR. ALICE BARLOW-BROWN IN FRANCE

Surely the people of Winnetka have already been sufficiently assured of the love and esteem in which Doctor Alice Barlow-Brown is held in France, and of the splendid work she has done there, but the following letter is a new tribute to her self-sacrificing devotion, and will undoubtedly be of interest to her many friends.

"Dear Madame:
Excuse me for taking the liberty of writing to you; without doubt you will find my letter bizarre, but I know that you are a friend of Dr. Brown, therefore I feel that you will read it with interest. I know that you wish Dr. Brown to return to America where she will be among her own people. I understand this very well, and even a little visit to her own country would do her a great deal of good. But if you knew all the good she is doing here and how we all need her presence! You will think Madame, that I am selfish. Alas, we are all selfish, above all those who have suffered these last years. Dr. Brown fills a great role among us. I have never known any one so devoted, so charitable, or so good. She is a noble being in all respects. There are very few like her. For us she is a guardian angel. I live in the Chateau Lafayette; I am the supervisor of the little orphans."
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VILLAGE COUNCIL ISSUES STATEMENT ON FILTRATION PLANT AND OTHER PROJECTS

The Village Council has taken the necessary action to present for referendum vote on Tuesday, April 29, the question of the construction of a filtration plant to provide Winnetka with a pure water supply. As stated in the Talk of last week, two propositions are to be voted upon by the citizens of Winnetka on that date. The first involves the general question of the desirability of a filtration plant at this time, and the second, the authorization of a bond issue of \$90,000 to build the plant, such bonds to be retired out of earnings of the Water department.

The council is strongly recommending the issuance of bonds for this purpose, and presents to the public the following statements for careful consideration:

Council's Statement

To the People of Winnetka:

We, the undersigned members of the present and retiring Councils of the Village of Winnetka, realizing that the time has come for Winnetka to proceed as promptly as possible with certain long deferred and much needed public improvements, have adopted the following program, after careful consideration of the present and prospective financial resources of the Village.

This program provides for the construction during the next five years of the following improvements:

1. Replacements and additions to Water and Light plant.
2. Filtration Plant.
3. Village Hall.
4. Municipal Yard and Utility buildings.

WATER AND ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT REPLACEMENTS AND ADDITIONS.—During the coming year, certain unusual expenditures will be required to improve the operating efficiency of the water and electric plant, and to provide for future growth. This construction will include improvement of generating units, a new stack, and provision for more economical handling and storing of coal and ashes. It is estimated that the cost of the foregoing improvements will be approximately \$33,000.

FILTRATION PLANT.—The construction of an adequate and efficient filtration plant at the pumping station to purify our water supply was actively under consideration by the Council two years ago, but the advent of the world war made it inadvisable to proceed. Conditions have now changed, and this improvement should be constructed at once. In a recent report to the Council from Mr. Samuel A. Greeley, Sanitary Engineer, filtration is recommended as the most feasible solution of our water supply problem, and the cost of a plant to serve the needs of Winnetka as well as of Glencoe, to whom water is sold under contract, has been placed at between \$90,000 and \$100,000.

VILLAGE HALL.—One of the most important needs of the Village is adequate and appropriate quarters in which to house the diversified activities of the municipality. The present structure is entirely unsatisfactory from the standpoint of sanitation, adequacy and appearance.

Preliminary plans were drawn for a new building three years ago by Perkins Fellows & Hamilton, under the direction of a Special Village Hall committee. The cost of this improvement was estimated at that time to be approximately \$90,000. The architects now estimate that after the elimination of the portion of the building originally designed to house certain Village equipment and to provide storage, the cost of the building, under present conditions, will not be above the original figure. It is recommended that as soon as the site can be obtained and the necessary funds made available, the matter submitted to the people for a referendum vote and, if approved, detailed plans for the Village Hall be prepared and the construction started.

MUNICIPAL YARD AND UTILITY BUILDINGS.—Provision for the economical storage of equipment and supplies of the water and electric department as well as of the general Village, and for the handling of salvage of waste materials, is urgently needed. This will eventually require a group of utility buildings, surrounding adequate yard space, preferably located where switch track facilities can be had.

A competent architect is now working on preliminary plans for this improvement, based on a careful analysis of the present and future needs of the various departments of the Village. While the detailed plans for

these buildings have not been completed, an approximate estimate places the initial cost, at about \$30,000.

The site of the yard and buildings has not been finally determined, and the present Council regards the question of location as open, planning not to decide it definitely without hearing and considering all sides interested.

Financial Policy

The income of the Village from general taxation is barely sufficient to provide adequately for current cost of providing clean, well maintained and well lighted streets, police and fire protection, etc. Rather than to raise the rate of taxation, the Council believes it to be desirable to provide much needed improvements out of the surplus of the Water and Light department, provided a liberal amount is reserved for proper maintenance and expansion of the water and electric properties.

AVAILABLE RESOURCES.—An analysis of the financial condition of the Water and Electric department made in March, indicated that at the end of the fiscal year, March 31, 1919, the probable balance on hand in cash and bond investments would stand approximately as follows:

Electric Fund	\$49,043
Water Fund	5,083
Water Depreciation Fund	60,044
Water Depreciation Fund	7,530
Total	\$121,573

The probable annual surplus of the Electric department for the next five years, after deducting depreciation and normal betterments, will be approximately \$15,000. The corresponding annual surplus of the water department for the next five years will be approximately \$7,500. Both of the above amounts may be increased in case prices for operating materials are reduced, or in case of increased consumption resulting from additional population, and it is believed that the amounts stated are conservative estimates.

In addition to the foregoing, the electric depreciation fund will be increased by \$30,000 and the water depreciation fund by \$12,000, during the next five years.

The total available surplus over the five year period may therefore be stated as follows:

Balance on hand March 31, 1919	\$121,573
Surplus earnings of Electric department for 5 years	75,000
Surplus earnings of Water department for 5 years	37,500
Increase in Electric Depreciation fund	30,000
Increase in Water Depreciation fund	12,000
Total	\$276,073

This total reserve will be available during the coming five year period for financing needed Village improvements, after making adequate provision for depreciation of water and electric properties and for contingencies of operation.

Recommend Plan of Finance

After careful consideration the Council has decided that the wisest plan for financing the proposed improvements is as follows:

1. Provide water and electric replacements and extensions, amounting to \$33,000, out of present cash surplus.
2. Provide municipal yard and utility buildings, estimated at \$30,000, out of present cash surplus.
3. Construct Village Hall out of available cash surplus, after same has been increased to a sufficient amount by earnings of next two years.
4. Provide for the immediate construction of a filtration plant by issuance of 5 per cent serial bonds in the amount of \$90,000, to be retired in eighteen annual instalments with interest out of the surplus earnings of the Water department. During the coming five years, the cost of retiring bonds with interest will be \$36,000.
5. Provide for other desirable improvements, the need for which may subsequently develop, out of cash resources when available, to the amount of \$40,000.
6. Reserve for depreciation of water and electric properties and for contingencies, the balance of the available resources, amounting to \$40,000.

The foregoing program may be summarized as follows:

Water and electric replacements	\$33,000
Municipal yard and utility buildings	30,000

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