

# SOLDIERS OF VERDUN GIVEN SPECIAL MEDAL

## City Made Famous as Locale of Historic World War Battles Honors Its Heroes

A number of Winnetka and Glencoe veterans of the World war are entitled to the Verdun Medal, which is to be issued only to veterans of the French and Allied Armies who were on active service between July 1, 1914 and November 11, 1918 in the Verdun sector (lying between the Argonne and St. Mihiel), and within the zone under enemy shell fire (excluding aircraft bombardment).

On November 20, 1916, the City of Verdun created a commemorative medal, not an official order, but an insignia of the "Soldiers of Verdun" which has been dedicated thus:

"To the Great Chiefs; to the Officers; to the Soldiers; to all Heroes, known or unknown, living or dead, who immortalized her name throughout the world for centuries to come, the City of Verdun, inviolate and arisen from her ruins, dedicates this medal in witness of her gratitude."

The medal is of bronze, with a view of the Tour Chaussee, well known to all who were at Verdun, and with the famous countersign, "Verdun—On Ne Passe Pas!" The name of each recipient, together with his rank, regiment and date and place of service is also to be engraved thereon.

It is suspended by a red ribbon with a tricolor border. The wearing of the ribbon alone is forbidden, but the medal may be worn at official ceremonies and assemblies where it becomes a rallying sign for "Soldiers of Verdun."

Among Winnetka ex-service men of

the Thirty-third division who fought in the Verdun sector are Bill Merrill, U. C. Abel, Robert Doepel, Eugene Grecco, Robert Melleney, Omar Porter, T. J. Lynch, Louis McDermott, and among those from Glencoe are General John V. Clinnin and General Abel Davis. There are others whose names were unavailable.

Men who are entitled to this medal and wish to learn more about it and the method of procuring it, may receive application forms from the Thirty-third Division association, 231 South LaSalle street, Chicago, it is explained.

### Christian Fellowship Church

(Svenska Missionskyrkan)  
Parish House, Oak street, Winnetka  
John Bengtson, Pastor  
Sunday School ..... 10 A. M.  
Y. P. Service, (Swedish) ..... 4:30 P. M.  
Social Hour  
Evening Service (English) ..... 8 P. M.

At the afternoon and evening service next Sunday, May 13, Rev. Ruben Gustafson of Windom, Minn., will preach. Special music.

Saturday evening, May 12, the men's "Silent Club" will meet at Carl Rohn's, 1036 Ash street.

Wednesday, May 16, Rev. Leonard Lindholm, pastor of Ogden Park Mission Church, Chicago, will speak in Swedish.

### Graduate from U. of I. in 1926? Lose Your Pin?

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