

# GET READY FOR WAR!

The Gordon-Detwiler Institute of New York, Inc., Is Organizing a Mammoth FRENCH CLASS for Washingtonians, Which Is to Meet for Lessons in B. F. Keith's Theater. THE WASHINGTON STAR Is Going to Give Away Four Thousand Tickets to This Class Absolutely Free. Get Yours Tomorrow!

Read this remarkable offer through from beginning to end if you are interested in preparing yourself to best serve your country, either in France or right here at home, during the present world conflict:



Mail \$1.00 For This Remarkable Soldiers' French Guide If Unable To Attend Great Class

Every man and woman of Washington and surrounding territory who is wide awake to the terrible menace to our beloved Country that lies in the present chaotic world upheaval should have a copy of this French book. Therefore if you are unable to attend these classes personally just mail \$1.00 to Gordon-Detwiler Institute, care Washington Star, and a copy of the book will be sent to you postpaid. Or you may call at the business office of The Washington Star and get a copy of the book for \$1.00. See wonderful contents.

### Contents of Soldiers' French Guide

- (1)—The complete Ten Dollar Conversational French Course used by the Gordon-Detwiler Institute which has received the hearty endorsement of the official organs of the Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce, the Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce, the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce, the American Manufacturers' Export Association, and many other civic organizations.
- (2)—An appendix of nearly one thousand commonly used French verbs without which one cannot expect to speak French satisfactorily.
- (3)—Practically all military commands (calls) known to the army under their respective headings, e. g.: Marching, Training, Camping, Billings, Transport, Action, Convoy, Aviation, Trenches, Ambulance Service, Hospital, etc.
- (4)—Hundreds of ordinary military conversational phrases, all with their correct phonetic pronunciation.
- (5)—A comprehensive vocabulary of nouns.
- (6)—A Calendar.
- (7)—United States Money, Measures and Weights, and Mileage with their French equivalents.
- (8)—Red Cross Phrases.
- (9)—A Soldier's Identification Card.
- (10)—French Slang. Several Hundred Phrases.
- (11)—Everything in English with French equivalent and French pronunciation.

Mr. or Mrs. or Miss Patriotic American Citizen, do you intend to serve your Country during the present terrible world conflict, either as a soldier in the trenches of France or in the Red Cross service behind the firing line, or in an equally conscientious manner right here at home? If so, The Washington Star wants to call your attention specifically to the fact that you will be best able to serve your country and yourself if you have a comprehensive working knowledge of the French Language; therefore THE WASHINGTON STAR has consented to distribute, absolutely free of cost to the men and women of this city, four thousand tickets to a SPECIAL NINE-LESSON FRENCH COURSE, to be given, commencing Tuesday, October 2, in beautiful B. F. Keith's Theater, Washington. Each of these tickets will admit one (adult only) person to all of the lessons of this Special French Course. These free tickets, while they last, may be obtained at the main business office of The Washington Star, Corner 11th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue (ground floor).

The purpose of distributing these complimentary tickets among Washingtonians is to familiarize them with the great superiority of the Gordon-Detwiler direct conversational method of teaching the French Language, and, incidentally, to popularize the Gordon-Detwiler line of French Language text-books. Those who attend this nine-lesson demonstration French Course, however, place themselves under no obligation whatsoever to the Institute. If they desire to enroll at the conclusion of this demonstration course for the Gordon-Detwiler \$10 thirty-lesson Fall French Course, that is a matter entirely for themselves to determine.

### Celebrated Professors

This wonderful free nine-lesson French Course will be given under the personal direction of Justice B. Detwiler, President of the Gordon-Detwiler Institute of New York, Inc., and among the imposing array of Professors who have been engaged to teach personally are Basile G. d'Ouakil L-es-LL., of the University of Lyons; Baron Albert Du Vivier, Eleve du Conservatoire de Paris; Theodore Bisenz of Geneva, member and honorary professor of the Academy of Arts and Letters in Toulouse, France; Dr. M. Francis Mabardi, of the University of Paris; Professor Benjamin Hortense D'Arion, of the University of Paris, and Mlle. Alice Blum, graduate of the University of Paris. These names certainly are due and sufficient guarantee of the merit of the course.

### What Will You Learn?

Naturally the question occurs to you: "What will I learn during such a brief course?" The answer is that these four thousand pupils are to be taught by the successful new conversational method of the Gordon-Detwiler Institute, which does away with most all unnecessary syntax and rules of grammar, and enters immediately upon direct conversation; therefore every pupil should (1) master all of the fundamental rules of the French language; (2) should master French pronunciation; (3) should acquire a French vocabulary of about three hundred words; (4) should learn about fifty idioms in everyday use; (5) should learn about one hundred important military and Red Cross phrases.

### Course Costs You Nothing

This Course is to cost you absolutely nothing. You have positive assurance of this, so you may come and go with perfect freedom and with the knowledge that there will be nothing said or done in the theater to cause you annoyance or embarrassment. If you desire to take up a longer course of French after these free lessons are concluded, you may enroll to take a special thirty-lesson course following these nine lessons, which also are to be given in B. F. Keith's Theater; but rest assured you are in no wise obligated to do so unless you so desire. Your only expense will be for a cloth-bound copy of the 200-page Justice B. Detwiler French Instructor, the official name of which is SOLDIERS' FRENCH GUIDE. The regular publisher's price of this book is \$1.50, but it will be sold to you at the reduced price of \$1.00. No one under 21 years of age, however, will be admitted on these free tickets.

### Here Are the Dates and the Hours of the Lessons

The class will come together in beautiful B. F. Keith Theater, Washington, D. C., commencing Tuesday, October 2, on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of each week. The same identical lesson will be given twice on each class day at 12.15 o'clock p. m. and at 5.45 o'clock p. m., and you may attend at the hour which best suits your convenience.

### Call or Write for Free Ticket

The Free Nine-Lesson French Course tickets may be obtained by Washingtonians (adults only) at the main business office of The Washington Star, Corner 11th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue. Call and get your ticket tomorrow at the latest. You will not be asked to fill out any blank or to go through any other sort of red tape. Just step into the office and ask for a French Course ticket, and, while they last, they will be given to you and no questions asked. If you are unable to call personally, just write for a ticket, addressing your letter to Gordon-Detwiler Institute, care The Washington Star, Washington, D. C., and enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope. The ticket then will be sent to you immediately.

### Free Ticket Supply Will Not Last Long

You will have to hurry if you expect to get one of these Free Nine-Lesson French Course Tickets, for it is certain there will be a tremendous demand for them among the foremost business and society men and women who propose to "do their bit" for their country during the months the great world war lasts. About twenty-five thousand representative business people throughout the United States have studied foreign languages by the Gordon-Detwiler method during the past year, and the above-named professors are among the foremost of the celebrated Gordon-Detwiler staff. Get your free ticket from The Washington Star tomorrow at the latest.