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## CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

Avertisements will be inserted under this heading at the rate of 10 cents per line for the first insertion and 5 cents per line thereafter. No advertisement will be inserted for less than twenty-five cents.

### FOR SALE

FOR SALE—My residence in Glover village. E. F. Dunn, Barton. 45tf

FOR SALE—First-class work horses. J. A. Bates, Orleans. 4-6

FOR SALE—Maple sugar, syrup, and dairy butter. F. H. Bean, West Glover. 4-7p

FOR SALE—Second-hand Monarch evaporator, 5x10 feet. Inquire John Hancock, Glover. Tel. 108-3. 6tf

FOR SALE—3-tenement house on Main street. Cheap for quick sale. Lillian Brooks, Barton. 5-7p

FOR SALE—400 acres of woodland, one mile from Willoughby station. McDowell, Evansville. 2tf

FOR SALE—Sugar rig. Monarch evaporator and arch, two sap sheds, two wood storage tubs. V. O. Miles, Irasburg, Tel. Orleans 171-4. 50tf

FOR SALE—Bungalow house six rooms and bath, all modern conveniences. Charles Bellway, Orleans. 49tf

FOR SALE—Ten young Holstein cows. Some have freshened. One good new cedar tub. Telephone Orleans 151-11. Alfred Brown, Orleans. 6-7

FOR SALE—Am going West and offer at about one-half their actual value the following: 1 hydraulic barber chair, one 18x40 bevel plate mirror, 1 lavatory, 1 hot water boiler and heater, the above nearly new and in perfect condition. A. F. Lawson, Greensboro. 6-7p

### WANTED

WANTED—Live poultry. Elrick, Barton. 18tf

WANTED—Sound, clean sacks. R. P. Webster, Barton. 38tf

WANTED—Live poultry. Strawn, Orleans. Bell phone 142-12. 1tf

WANTED—Kitchen help. Also man to chop wood at \$3.00 per cord. Valley House, Orleans. 3tf

WANTED—Softwood lumber and No. 1 hardwood at the Douglass mill in South Albany. W. E. Hanson, Barton. 52tf

WANTED—Hard and softwood logs delivered at my mill. Bring in your custom sawing now. W. E. Hanson, Barton. 50tf

WANTED—Single work harness and second-hand kitchen range with reservoir. State price and where located. Inquire at Monitor office. 6-7p

TEAMS WANTED—To draw logs in Irasburg from woods to mill. Apply to F. E. Fletcher, Irasburg. The Parker-Young Co. 52tf

WANTED—Operators on nice, clean and steady work, also girls to learn. Board very reasonable here. Nicholas Mfg. Co., Richford. 34tf

WANTED—Lady clerk at the American Clothing Co. in Newport. One speaking French preferred. Tel. 303-12. L. Colodny, Newport. 2tf

WANTED—Teams to draw lumber from Lawrence Mill, also from Christie lot, near Glover, to Orleans. The Parker-Young Co., Orleans. 52tf

WANTED—Salesmen to solicit orders for lubricating oils, greases and paints. Salary or commission. Address The Harvey Oil Co., Cleveland, O. 1wp

WANTED—A young man to learn our business. We would prefer someone who has had a little experience in store work. Permanent position. Berry-Ball Dry Goods Co., St. Johnsbury. 5tf

We will pay \$20 per M ft., for No. 1 veneer logs, Maple, Birch, Elm, Bass, 14 inches and up and \$16 for No. 2 veneer logs delivered at our veneer mill in Orleans. The Parker-Young Co., Orleans. 50tf

### TO RENT

TO RENT—Two tenements. C. A. Nute, Barton. 46tf

TO RENT—Tenement, H. T. Seaver, Barton. 42tf

TO RENT—Basement in the Colodny Block on Main street in Newport for any business purpose. Also in same building, rooms to rent with hot and cold water and steam heat. Tel. 303-12. L. Colodny, Newport. 2tf

### MISCELLANEOUS

FARMERS' NOTICE—Will take stock Monday, Feb. 11th. Beef and bologna cattle wanted. Any cheap cows not paying for their feed, telephone me and I will see them at once. Dodge, Orleans.

### LOST

LOST—Ladies' gold watch and chain. Finder leave at this office for reward. 1w

## Must Buy Substitutes With Flour.

W. B. Proctor, local food administrator, received telephonic communication Saturday from State Administrator, John T. Cushing of St. Albans to put into effect at once the 50-50 flour and substitute plan. He in turn notified dealers in flour and now flour cannot be purchased except on the 50-50 basis. That is, if you get a bag of flour, you will be required to take an equal amount of substitutes for flour, such as corn meal, rye, oatmeal, etc.

Grocers and all dealers adjusted their sales to this basis at once, but are very short of substitutes. This condition will soon be remedied, however, as 50 cars of substitutes are now being distributed throughout Vermont to dealers. Undelivered advance orders by families who had planned to lay in a stock before any flour prevented the purchase of regular flour, were called off by this order.

The order will help people to observe the wheatless program as ordered by the president and put in table form elsewhere in this issue. Clip it for your guidance.

## Low Rate for Electric Heat.

The village trustees have established a temporary rate of 1c per K. W. hour for electric current when used for heating purposes in Barton village. This rate is made in view of the fuel situation and is an emergency rate only, subject to withdrawal at any time.

The reduced rate for heating purposes only was thought wise in view of the fact that fuel is so very scarce and there is some surplus power now. Special wiring is necessary in any building in order to use electric heaters, which range in size and price from the small unit at a few dollars to a heater costing \$25 that will heat the average room.

Even at the rate the actual heating of a house during the winter would be very expensive but for auxiliary heat or for use in weather when a very little heat only is needed, the electric heater becomes practical.

A number of Barton houses are already using electric heat to a greater or less degree and the rooms of the Barton Improvement club have been heated entirely by electricity this winter. The new rate promises to induce greater use of this modern and fuel-saving method of heating in Barton.

## Some of Our Old-Young People.

Thursday Augustus F. French of Glover street will celebrate his 90th birthday. Mr. French is still quite active and in good weather is often seen upstreet.

Another of our old residents is Joseph Buskey of Eastern Avenue, who will be 90 years of age in April. Mr. Buskey is a very active man, having chopped 25 days this winter, and it is said he will give many a younger man a good "warming-out" with an axe.

Madam Cutler, mother of H. R. Cutler, will soon be 85 years old and is a very active woman. J. G. Gorham of Pleasant street is one of our older residents, being "nearer 90 than 80," is the way he expresses it, and a very active person.

The monitor does not pretend that this is a complete list of our old-young people but will be glad to pay its compliments to any of our residents, who are 85 years old or over.

## K. of C. Campaign.

In Orleans county Newport leads with \$1,061, Barton \$333, Orleans \$210 and Irasburg \$50. The Canadian towns of Stanstead and Rock Island joined with the adjacent town of Derby Line in this campaign and \$1,152 was raised in the three towns. Those having the drive in charge are much gratified over the generous response of the people to this worthy cause. The above figures were made on the night the campaign closed and additional gifts have been received and more details will be given later.

## BARTON LOCAL NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Richmond are in Boston.

Judge and Mrs. W. W. Miles are in Montpelier.

Ora Proctor is home from Bradford for a few days.

Mrs. O. W. Caron visited friends in Lyndonville Saturday.

Mrs. C. A. Barrows returned from Boston Saturday night.

Henry Brooks has bought the Powell house near Hotel Barton.

Albert Morrill of Pike, N. H., is spending a few days in town.

I. A. McRithe has moved into the G. C. Lang house on School street.

Mrs. C. L. Brown visited friends in St. Johnsbury the first of the week.

The Woman's Literary club meets with Mrs. H. W. Carter this evening.

Mrs. Clara Sawyer visited her son, Guy Sawyer in Lyndonville recently.

Mrs. W. J. Goss of Newport was the guest of Mrs. F. D. Pierce Wednesday.

## WOMEN VOTERS.

Women are eligible to vote in town meetings, when they pay taxes and who pay such taxes before February 15. The women of Orleans county should take notice of this fact as February 12 is next week and town meeting is fast approaching.

## SOLDIERS' INSURANCE!

Relatives and friends of men in the service should see to it that the lives of their boys are insured under the soldiers' insurance regulations of the government. The cost up to \$10,000 is very small and provides for liberal pension payments or death benefits. Write the boys in the service urging them to take out this insurance. The time limit for application for most of the men expires February 12. This is a government insurance, costs very little and the benefits are so great that no soldier should be without it. This paper understands this form of insurance takes the place of the old pension system, and new recruits have 120 days from the time they begin active service to take out their insurance.

## LETTERS FROM FRANCE.

Comfortably Quartered. Get Letters and Parcels from Home.

This paper is privileged to print the following letters which have been sent by relatives or friends of boys across.

The following is from Corp. E. N. Buswell, Co. D, 101st U. S. Eng. Regt., A. E. F. in France, formerly of Barton.

Dec. 14, 1917.

Dear Mrs. Lang: Little did I ever expect to write you a letter from France, but nevertheless, funny things happen in this old world and it has in my case. The trip across the ocean was rather long, but Archie and I enjoyed it, and in fact have had a good time ever since we left old Boston.

This army life is all fine if a fellow doesn't weaken. We often receive a paper from the U. S. and find that the drafted army are having receptions given them and dances, etc. It seems to me that they are getting more credit than the men who volunteered their services, anyhow. I am glad I joined and was not drafted. How is Slayton and is he still going to U. V. M. Wish I had him with me for a pal. We got along great together.

Thanksgiving day was certainly well celebrated over here, real roast turkey and cranberry sauce with all the fixings.

France is a fine place but the smokes are rather bum (excuse the phrase). Would write more but cannot on account of the censorship on mail.

Regards to all,

Corp. E. N. Buswell.

The following is from a boy in one of our training camps to his relatives in Irasburg:

Hdq. Co., 1st Vt. Vol., Camp Greene, Charlotte, N. C. Jan. 13, 1918.

Dear Aunt: The package which the Red Cross sent me was received. O. K. I think it kind of you to have asked them to send the things. Only one more thing I would like, a helmet. The boys wear them nights as the climate is so different here from the north. The days are quite warm but the nights are cold and chilly. The air is light and damp here. It indicates a good deal more than heavy dry air in the north. This is the hardest and coldest winter they have had here for some forty years. There is a small lake two miles from here that has not frozen over for 20 years, that has been frozen over and good skating for about four weeks now.

This is not a bad place if one likes (Continued on Page Three)

Miss Hazel Drown is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Drown.

Mrs. Emma Humphrey of Bradford is visiting her daughter, Mrs. E. C. Elliott.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hawkins were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. White Sunday.

Mrs. Clayton Burrows and son, Ronald, were visitors in town the last of the week.

Milton, the four-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Prescott, is very ill with pneumonia.

Miss Etta Folsom, who is teaching in St. Johnsbury, was a week-end visitor at her home here.

Mrs. Llewellyn Ray has been ill the past week and Mrs. Ed. Kimball has been caring for her.

Mrs. Lizzie Cameron of West Glover was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Cutler last week.

Noel Lambert's brother, Joseph, a resident of Nashua, N. H., recently died there in a hospital.

Mrs. L. H. Wells of St. Johnsbury was the guest of her sister, Mrs. A. P. Underwood, Wednesday.

Mrs. Lula Jenness, who has been visiting friends in Newport and Coventry for two weeks, has returned.

Mrs. David Massey, who has been in the St. Johnsbury hospital, has returned, much improved in health.

Mrs. Vernon Akley and Mrs. Wallace Allen were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Akley the last of the week.

Gerald Plunkett is very ill with pneumonia, and Miss Jones, a training nurse from St. Johnsbury, is caring for him.

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## Boys' Work of the Y. M. C. A. Fund.

During the Y. M. C. A. campaign last November the boys and girls of the county pledged to earn and give \$1240 towards the \$1,000,000 boys' fund for the American soldiers. Since this money should all be earned by the boys and girls, the sum named represents a large undertaking for the school pupils during school time. The county chairman of this work, Bruce R. Buchanan of West Glover, reports upon the work as follows: Albany, Rev. W. E. Craig, local manager, pledged \$40, paid \$10. Barton, C. L. Erwin, pledged \$140, paid \$20. Craftsbury, Fred B. Root, pledged \$75, paid \$20. Derby, H. C. Taylor, pledged \$70, paid \$25. Irasburg, Ora Washer, pledged \$40, paid \$20. Newport, Rev. H. B. Rankin in charge, pledged \$370. Orleans, Mrs. Harriet C. Fish, pledged \$310, paid \$113. Troy, H. V. Wheelock, pledged \$180. Westmore, G. E. Nutting, pledged \$10, paid \$5.

A North Troy, eighteen teams, captained by Boy Scouts, have been at work. The teams deposited their money in the G. A. R. hall, which burned during school vacation, destroying all records and the money. As soon as the amount earned can be determined, these boys will be given credit for the work done. Each \$10 pledge entitles the boy or girl to a beautifully engraved certificate, the number of which is recorded at the national headquarters. In addition each one contributing at least a dollar on a joint pledge will receive a simpler certificate. The following have paid the amounts indicated opposite their names:

A. C. and B. R. Clifford \$10. Barton—Comstock, G. R. 5. Comstock, L. P. 5. Elliott, Leslie 5. Westmore, R. T. 5. Craftsbury—Davison, Max 5. Reed, Homer 10. Cowles, 5. Irasburg—Team 1, Charlene Clough, Capt. 10. 2, J. B. Buchanan, Capt. 5. 3, C. Healey, Capt. 5. Westmore—Team 1, G. E. Nutting, Capt. 5. Derby—

Evarts Kidder, 5. Alvin Bryant, 5. Harry Daggett, 5. Edgar Campbell, 2.50. Robin Kilborn, 2.50. Donald Kilborn, 2. Gordon England, 1.50. Joel Cummings, 1. Roger Cleveland, 1. Lee Bates, 1.

Orleans—Bartlett, Roland 10. Chester, 5. Cole, W. R. 5. Dickens, Donald, 7. Dudley, Pearl, 10. French, Lyndol, 10. Hardy, Charles, 10. Hardy, Earl, 10. Hughes, W. J. 10. Campbell, Aris, 5. Colton, J. M. 5. Foster, R. F. 5. Hoyt, D. G. 5. Hawse, H. C. 2.50. Collins, Helen, 5. Wheeler, Mae, 5. Stearns, Freda, 3. Smith, Flossie, 3. Jones, Della, 1.

County White Ribboners' Doings. "Vermont Home Guards," the official state paper of the W. C. T. U. organization of the state, in its February number contains the following review of the work of the unions in Orleans county:

"Orleans county under the leadership of our state president, Mrs. M. L. Pearson, reports from eight unions a membership of 247. Seventy-two regular meetings have been held. 26 copies of Union Signal and \$7 of Home Guards taken and \$2,558 spent for local, county and state work also \$208 raised for war relief. Soldiers and Sailors, S. T. I. Franchise, Medal contest, Literature and Press are the departments reported. Irasburg entertained the county convention and has held several public meetings. Barton has held an institute and put temperance charts and text books in the schools. Orleans contributed \$81.85 for local, county and state work and \$147.80 for war relief and reports work in Medal contest and flower mission departments. North Troy has distributed literature. Coventry sustains a company of Campaigners and reports literature distributed. This union numbers only 13, but reports \$39.62 raised and used in the work. Newport has sent a box valued at \$12 to the rescue home in Burlington and raised \$31.19 for war relief. Derby Line used \$31.00 for the needs of the cause and Press and S. T. I. departments worked. Brownington has contributed to county funds but reports no special work done."

## GERMANS!

The time expires Saturday at 8 o'clock p. m. for the registration of German aliens. Registrants may be made at any postoffice during the regular hours when the office is open. Photographs and finger prints are required. The act of registering is evidence of the intention of German aliens here to create laws and regulations and of such registrants' peaceful intentions.

## CALLING CLASS ONE FOR EXAMINATION.

Last of Questionnaires Sent Out and 80 Men of Class 1 Called for Physical Examination.

Orleans county's exemption board, O. C. Miller, Newport, chairman, H. B. Cushman of Newport, clerk, and Dr. J. F. Blanchard, also of Newport, have completed the task of sending approximately 1800 questionnaires to Orleans county registrants and are now grouping the classes.

Eighty men of Class 1 were summoned to appear before the board this week for physical examination, 40 on Tuesday and 40 on Wednesday. This examination will determine the physical fitness of the men, who will then be called whenever needed by the local board acts upon the question of exemptions only where dependents are concerned, all appeals for exemption on account of industrial or agricultural occupations being acted upon by the state or district board. This higher board also acts upon any appeals made by individuals from the ruling of the local board on account of dependents.

The board will continue to call men in class one at frequent intervals until every man in that class in the county will be called and examined.

Following are the men called: Frederick A. Bond, West Burke. Louis P. Bail, Troy. Harold C. Bowley, West Derby. Edward P. Ducharme, Irasburg. John L. Carrik, Barton. Alex Desrasiers, Jr., Craftsbury. Claude R. Kenner, Derby. Charles M. Adams, Derby. Charlie R. Moranville, Irasburg. Eosif Panash, Orleans. Alfred W. Moulton, Derby Line. Homer E. Neslow, Orleans. Clarence Pierce, Jr., Craftsbury. Fred H. Kelley, Derby Line. Ralph E. Morse, Irasburg. Arnold O. Leavitt, North Troy. Guy B. Cargill, Morgan Center. Earl W. Davis, Newport. George F. Winslow, Derby Line. Ernest G. Baker, North Wolcott. Henry M. Norton, Newport. Henry J. Gosselin, Newport. Edward P. Santaw, St. Johnsbury. Wilbur H. Little, Derby Line. Fred A. Burroughs, Morgan Center. Calvin Taylor, East Charleston. Fred J. Laffan, North Troy. Augustus J. Mossa, Newport Ctr. Thomas B. Tetrault, West Glover. Forrest Richardson, West Glover. Carl C. Hamblet, Barton. Ray C. Arubuckle, North Craftsbury. Orrin L. Lafont, West Glover. Alexford J. Bessette, North Troy. Charles J. Duplin, Orleans. Howard E. Wilson, Belfast, Me. Euclide Fontaine, North Troy. Bert N. Mayhew, North Troy. Haseltine R. Hadlock, North Troy. John W. Daley, Somerville, Mass. John H. Whybrow, Derby Line. Fred A. Blay, Derby. George C. Laycock, Greensboro. William Datz, Barton. Voyle W. Lanpher, North Troy. Robert T. Silver, Greensboro Bend. Edwin W. Bowen, Derby. Benj. C. Newcity, North Troy. Henry Corriveau, Newport. Guy L. Harris, Orleans. Elvin E. McNamara, E. Charleston. Harold A. Crawford, Derby. Henry A. Bird, Irasburg. Geo. R. Jenkins, North Troy. Dean McLeelan, Barton. Alonzo H. Smith, West Newport. Alba Scott, Morgan. Bernard J. Lee, Mt. Vernon, N. H. Stefan Bech, Orleans. Geo. Hedlin, West Charleston. Shepard M. Randall, Orleans. Ralph M. Buck, Newport. Henry B. Priest, Glover. Abraham Shindel, West Derby. Trefley C. LaClair, Barton. Clyde E. Bosley, North Troy R. D. Erald E. Rogers, Newport Center. Leonard W. Lafoe, Orleans. Harold G. Mackley, Derby Line. Fred P. Blay, Barton. Erwin W. Bosley, North Troy R. D. Harry W. Page, Hyde Park. Charlie E. Young, Craftsbury. Charles H. Leclair, Barton R. D. 1. Forrest D. Drew, Newport. Elton L. Bennett, Derby Line. Harry E. Badger, Irasburg. Paul Baker, North Wolcott. Leo L. Johnson, West Derby. Philip Laboute, Derby Line. Grant Clark, North Wolcott. George P. Messier, Irasburg. Ralph E. Perry, Derby. Seymour Meacham, Newport. Levi M. Wills, Westmore. Curtis W. Wheeler, Derby Line. Max D. Lacey, Derby R. D. Bond C. Richards, Newport.

Sheriffs to Watch for Animal Cruelty. County Sheriff E. J. Hill of Newport has sent his deputies throughout the county a letter about cruelty to animals, which contains the following:

"My attention has been called to the fact that many instances of animals are suffering from cold, and sometimes from hunger. Particularly, that horses are allowed to stand on our streets without proper protection from the cold.

"Now, if we, as officers of the county and towns, would give this matter more attention, we would be able to do a work to be proud of, and save a lot of suffering. Many animals are kept in cold barns and sheds and must suffer.

"The law is very plain in regard to cruelty to animals. Let us use it when necessary. Use first means when we can. Speak first and give good advice, but if not heeded, then use the limit."

## Albany Mother to Get \$10,000.

We copy the following from a daily paper: Private Mahlon C. Dow of Albany, Vt., was tenderly raised from his sick bed in the base hospital at Camp Devens, Ayer, Mass., to affix his signature to the final papers of the war risk insurance bureau which called for the payment of the maximum sum of \$10,000 to be paid to his mother, Mrs. Ellen Dow, in the Green Mountain village in the event of his death and four days later the very bed on which he had signed the insurance papers proved to be his death bed.

The case was a very sad one but it illustrated the fact that the government plays no favorites and even on a sick bed which later turned out to be a death bed the unfortunate was allowed to take out insurance, which will be immediately forwarded to his mother in Albany.

Private Dow was a member of Co. E, 301st Ammunition train and went to Camp Devens in September. In November he became ill and had since been confined to the base hospital.

## Former Resident Dead.

The Fargo (N. D.) Forum of Wednesday, Jan. 23, tells of the death of a former prominent resident of this vicinity in the following words: Tuesday afternoon, Thomas Baker, Sr., one of the early settlers of this county, and one of its oldest residents, died suddenly of pneumonia, at his residence, at 919 Thirteenth St., south.

He was born in Glover, Vermont, Aug. 4, 1827. Nov. 12, 1857, he married Sarah B. Elliott, who survived him at the age of 84 years. He also leaves surviving children, Harry Baker of Moccasin, Mont., Mrs. Harry McCoy of Minot, and Mrs. W. H. Sabin of St. Ignatius, Mont. Roy T. Baker and Julius K. Baker (now in France), of the Thomas Baker Jr. Co., Fargo, sons of the late Thomas Baker, Jr., are grandsons.

Mr. Baker's family was among the early settlers of Keene, and his father, Thomas Baker, one of the first settlers of Glover, Orleans county. Mr. Baker engaged extensively in farming and fancy stock breeding in Barton, where he had one of the largest and most valuable farms in northern Vermont. He disposed of it in 1879, and came to Tower City in March, 1880, with his family, where he engaged in farming until 1886. In that year he removed to Hope, where he was in business until 1915, when his advanced years compelled him to retire, and he came to Fargo and resided with his son, Thomas Baker, Jr., until the latter's death two years ago.

Mr. Baker was at one time a member of the Vermont legislature; held numerous town offices. His complete facilities were retained until a few months ago, when his memory failed him to some extent. He was a great student of history and current events and took a deep interest in all public questions, and was a man of superior attainments, judgment and character. Mr. Baker was a lifelong adherent of the Congregational church.

Methodist Episcopal Church Notes. Rev. I. A. Ranney, Pastor. Feb. 10th. Morning worship at 10.45. Sunday school, 12.00. Junior League at 4 o'clock. Senior League at 6 o'clock. Evening service at 7 p. m. Mid-week prayer meeting will be held Thursday evening at C. R. Prescott's at 7.30. Remember the business meeting of the Women's Alliance at Mrs. Paige's Friday evening at 7.30.

Mr. Ranney spoke from Neh. 8:10, "The joy of the Lord is your strength." Stated that real Christian joy was lacking today. That the joy of the Lord is a personal gift. It is the Holy Spirit within us. One can do real work with it, when without it he fails.

Congregational Church Notes. Rev. W. A. Warner, Pastor. Feb. 10th. 10.45, Morning service. 12.00, Sunday school. 6.00, Christian Endeavor meeting. Subject, "What My Church Stands For." 1 Pet. 2:9-12. 7.00 o'clock, preaching service. Thursday evening prayer meeting at 7.30 o'clock. Subject, "How Shall We Think of God?" Heb. 8:1-13; Acts 17:22-31. Mr. Ranney preached a strong sermon to a union audience Sunday evening.

Band Concert. There will be a band concert at Seaver's opera house Friday evening by Miss Flora Emerson, reader of the proceeds of which will be given to the Red Cross. The program includes the march, "Under the Double Eagle;" overture, "Symbol of Honor," and vocal solo, "Keep the Home Fires Burning Till the Boys Come Home," Alden Owen; a waltz, "Italian Nuptials;" "The Rosary;" march, "Washington Post;" reading, "A Case of Mumps;" Miss Emerson; waltz, "The Endless Chain;" march, "Washington Gray's." There will be dancing from 9 to 10.30 and the admission is 25 cents.

## BOYS SEND THANKS.

Barton Red Cross Get Many Words of Real Appreciation.

If any are still skeptical of the use and appreciation of the Red Cross organization, that person should peruse the following extracts from letters received from boys in our training camps from all parts of the country, who received their Christmas packages from the Barton branch.

One comes from France and says: "I received the parcel sent by the Red Cross of Barton tonight at 12.30 and nothing could have pleased me more. Just the very things I needed and everything was in fine condition. I wish you would thank all of those who have helped you in the work for me, and many thanks to you.

"I had just come in from a patrol to get a lunch and dry myself as it was pouring rain and it does rain most of the time here. On my way in I was wishing that I had some dry socks but didn't have until I opened the comfort bag and found those you sent. They did feel awful good. Thanks to you just the same for asking about the sweater, we have them already. I think if all the Red Cross societies were like yours, things would be different over here."

A letter from a commanding officer at Fort Adams says: "I am sending on behalf of the men of the Ninth Company, their sincere thanks for those Christmas packages, which the Barton Chapter have so kindly sent them.

"The Red Cross is certainly doing a great work and the men appreciate all of the good it is doing."

Upon receipt of one of the Christmas packages another boy writes: "I received one of your Christmas bags yesterday for which I wish to sincerely thank you.

"It affords a fellow a great deal of pleasure to know of the interest taken in the 'men of the service' by the people of civil life and I assure you that all the service men greatly appreciate it. In the bag I received were two notes. One unsigned and the other signed 'A sentiment of appreciation.' If you could possibly thank the writers of those notes personally for their kindness I would greatly appreciate it."

A fourth says: "It is the knowledge that you at home are ever ready and willing to help and cheer us that makes life seem brighter than it might otherwise be.

"I wonder if you ever realize our feelings when we receive gifts such as this from the folks 'back home'?" It is at such times that we truly feel that you are with us in thought if not in body.

"I am the lucky sailor boy to receive your Red Cross bag and I thank the Barton Branch very much. I don't know if I can thank you for it but I may meet you some time and then I can thank you. We boys in the service certainly do thank the Red Cross very much for what they have done," says a sailor boy.

Still another sailor boy writes: "You will notice by the stationery that the Christmas bag to the soldier boy went to a sailor instead. I am in the naval hospital school and have been here five months. Expect to finish school about Feb. 7th. "My home being in Santa Fe, Indiana I could not be there and but for the bag you were so kind to send my Christmas would be dull, indeed. Let me thank you a thousand times and wish for the Red Cross society a New Year full of success in their work."

A soldier training at Fort McKinley in Maine, says: "It is with sincere appreciation of your great kindness that I am sending these few lines. Words cannot express my feelings, but I assure you that all the boys appreciate the great kindness shown to them by the Red Cross, and with such kindness at home, we can stand most hardships, or rather all hardships abroad."

One of the boys at