## Quarters for All Officials

ugh the new City Hall will b Although the new City Hall will be for mally dedicated tomorrow afternoon it is no likely that it will be ready for occupancy be fore next fall at the earliest. In it will be losted all eity offices and departments except he fire and police departments, these being registed in their present quarters because of the secont of space each requires. The Board of fealth, tax collector, eity clerk, mayor, stree omnissioner, Charity Organization, G. A. R. common Council, City Research and Planning commission and District Court have been provided for.

The completion of the building will office eight its first opportunity to house its most portunity to house its most portunity and the properture of the properture of the properture of the properture of the comment that have been designed purposely to operate with other departments and it is drashe that they have the close connection at will be available under the new plan. The Hall is located within easy reach of the intral or business portion of the city and ill be more convenient for the public as we the officials.

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There will be available for officers four row, including a sub-basement and a first out and third floor above the ground. These is not and third floor above the ground. These is not and third floor above the ground. These is not a first out and third floor above the ground. These is not a first out and third floor above the ground. These is not a first out to the the officer, store rooms, inniand the store of the store of the the officer, officer, and officer for the store of the sto

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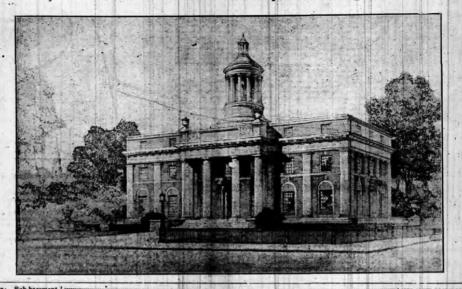
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## Plainfield's New Municipal Building



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Former City Clerk Mayor Will Set the Stone

All is in readiness for the ceremonies marking the cornerstone laying of Plainfield's new City Hall tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. An elaborate program has been drawn up by the committee in charge aid it is expected that both Plainfield and North Plainfield will have a representative crowd of citizens on hand. A platform has been erected for those who take part in the program and for the invited guests, over three hundred invitations having been sent out to prominent official and civic workers.

The dedication ceremonies will be started promptly at 3 o'clock and the program is short, interesting and snappy. Music and short speech-making will be the features. In order that he might be qualified to handle the trowd on the occasion to set the cornerations Mayor Leighton Calkins has been made a member of the local council of the Bricklayers' Union. It was desirable to have all of the work on the structure done by union labor and for this reason the Mayor was made an honorary member of the union, it being considered that his part in the program was a portion of the satual construction work.

All trolleys running from Plainfield or North Plainfield go within two blocks of the union, the program was a portion of the actual construction work.

All trolleys running from Plainfield or North Plainfield go within two blocks of the new City Hall and the Union and Nethsewood care carry passengers within a block of it, the getting off point being the intersection of Watchung avenue and East Fifth street. The building is located at East Sixth street and Watchung avenue.

Ample room has been set aside for the throug that will probably attend and it will be possible for all to get a good view of the cerner-stone laying.

The document box is made of copper and was presented to the city by David S. Dunavan. It bears the inscription: "Document box laid in the corneration of the Municipal Building, Plainfield, N. J., Fehruary 17, 1917." The following contents will be placed in the box in the presence of the Mayor and Common Council: City charter and ordinances, minutes of the mettings of the building committee and resolutions of the Common Council relating to the municipal building project, annual report of difficials and departments for the year 1915, annual report of the Board of Education for 1914-15, program for the selection of the architects, copy of construction centracts, photographs of exterior and interior plans, Richmond's directory of Plainfield, souvenir booklet of the city of Plainfield published for the State Letter Carriers Convention here in May 30, 1916, Plainfield Record and Courier-News, issues of February 16, 1917, also New York Times of same date, coins, fifty, twenty-dwe, tes, five and eneut (latest), reater, Winfield Scott Fost, No. 73, G. A. R., and a copy of the dedication program.

### Credit Due Mayor Calkins; Ackerman Represents City

#### **DEDICATION PROGRAM**

Children's Chorus ..... Led by Charles L. Lewis cort by platoons of police; Winfield Scott Post, No. 73, G. A

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ms in the event of war against Gerany, the National Guard of New
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#### Open Meeting Held by Club Perseverance Lodge, No. 74, K.

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#### Green Brook Will Be Cleaned --- Maybe

#### William L. Saunders Reserve Board Member

#### STATE BAR FAVORS CRIMINAL LAW CHANGE.

To make participation in nurder plots more dangerous for those who plan then but do not estually take part in the killing the State Bar Aspert in mid-winter meeting in ment to the criminal state of the criminal state of the criminal state of the property of the state of the criminal state of the participation of the criminal state of the criminal sta

#### Lodge Schedule

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O. F.
Plainfield Lodge, No. 885, B. P.

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CHAPTER RECEPTION.
Members of Lodia Chapter, Order astern Star, will hold a reception in be auditorium of the Piganfield High-chool next Wednesday avening. Van pro-orchestra will furnish music for the occasion and other arrangements.

INTEREST INCREASES.
Interest seems to be growing in be peel and billiard tournaments ow is progress at the Elks' clubouse on Watchung avenue and the The Greenbrook Commission rethe press and illiard tournaments from the press and illiard tournaments from the press of t

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#### PLAINFIELD, N. J., FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1917.

## OVERZEALOUS ALLIED PRESS PROVING NATION'S BRUTUS.

VING NATION BEAUTY TO BE A STATE OF THE United States will refuse to be stampeded into The United States will refuse to be stampeded into the hole it has helped to dig. goism to pull America into the hole it has helped to dig, must realize this now. President Wilson has unde it apparent to the world that the United States will eight the world that the United States will eight the world that the United States will eight the war when it is absolutely necessary to right a great-American wrong. He is preparing the nation for any centre going that may arise and should war come, and may a kind Providence forbid, America will be ready. The propagation of the series of the country, unconsciously is proving a Brutus to the nation. Its propagand is both unwise and Brutus to the nation. Its propagand is both unwise and should the series of the country, unconsciously is proving a Brutus to the nation. Its propagand is both unwise and should war come, in the series of the country, unconsciously is proving a Brutus to the nation. Its propagand is both unwise and clipality are and the activity of the Namerican hearts of American principles that have leigh election and spirit that prevails in Plainfield.

ATTACKS GERMAN NATION.

ATTACKS GERMAN NATION. aloof. And these are supposed to be embodied in the hearts of Americans. Any attempt to destroy or put out this glowing and world wide fame, will start the crumbling and decay of American institutions. We don't want any hymn of hate. If we ever go to war it's the 'Star-Spangled Banner,' that will re-echo around be nation. If we ever go to war, it will be the Stars and Bans that will float at the head of our army, not some dirty linen It will be a war for justice and humanity, not grade and the stars a It will be a war for justice and humanity, not trade and expansion. It will be an American war, declared by an American people for an American cause, not's condict where the flower of American youth is pushed into the exatelyem's faines to pull out the chesturts for a few other nations. We don't want war, but blessed peace. And a higher power than that gifted to man, can along give the wordist and with peace rains from the heaven; put out the watch fires of war, that already seem to give on the highleric of America. ighlands of America.

ell peace for the world. America's entry into the arena ould hasten the end. The kaiser knows it. And be cause he knows it, and because he desperately meeds peace to save his face and to save his throne, war between the two nations seems more than a possibility. "Nnexty days after the United States and Germany declars war, it will all be ever, and the war in Europe will be dere, too." That is the declaration of Charles Edward Russell. No all be, ever, and the war in Europe will be over, too."
That, is the deelaration of Charles Edward Russell. No man, in America is better entitled to opinious concerning the war than Russell. He has seen the fighting, and he has talked to the common people of Europe about the warIt is his idea that the moral support of America is alone sufficient to show the German masses the hope-issuess of the cause into which the kaiser and the Prusian militarists have led them. The German common people may still believe the promise of the emperor to defeat the allies, but few will believe in the war lord's shifty to lick the entire world. With America in, it would by the men and money of practically the whole world against Germany. We are proud of America, but even in our pride we do not realize how wonderfully strong this nation is—
what a gigantic weight of money-power and isan-power America would place in the scales against a foc. In wealth we have: Nearly double the wealth of Groat Esplain; five times the wealth of France, six times the wealth of Russis; twelve times the wealth of Italy; sixteen times the wealth of Japan. Our resources are nearly a match for the resources of all the allies, big and little, put together. Our resources are all times those of Germany, Austria and Turkey combined. Add Uncle Sam to the forces fighting Germany, and the balance of resources against that unhappy nation would be about 5 to 1.

elections. Plainfield has a lion's share of the county's lications are bucking the class of competition has a lion's share of the county's lications are bucking the class of competition has a lion's share of the county of the class of the class of the county of the class of the county of the cou present omeenoider is certain to develop. Mr. Cariton B. tablished on a rock bottom basis and is here to stream to meet the county Republican large part of its success may be attributed to its state leaders and there is every reason to believe that he will suffer the consequences next fall. Between now and next September he can do sufficient damage to the popularity crown to win certain defeat for himself.

He has indicated that Plainfield has been eliminated from himself.

Citizens of Plainfield will have an opportun

tiring Mr. Pierce, Plainfield may rest assured that none rives it is certain to produce an atmosphere of co-opera-of the juley fruit will fall within its boundaries when the tion that will prove highly beneficial to the dity. Mayor Calkins and his co-workers are to be congratu-lated. It is the duty of every Plainfield taxpayer to be on

### COMMENDABLE WORK OF NATIONAL SPECIAL AID.

OF NATIONAL SPECIAL AID.

Women active in the interests of the National Special Aid Society have risen nobly to the call of the hour. The last few days have been productive of gratifying results in the well organized campaign to enlist women of Plainfield and surrounding suburbs in various callings for emergency duty in war time. When the opportunity for service presented itself at the first intimation of possible conflict with Germany Plainfield women sacrificed time rgy in preparation for a systematic program of

cated in the business section hav been placed in charge of well informed workers; the pat-ronage to date has been large; and the attitude assumed toward the movement by womankind in general has been exceedingly encouraging. The prescribed lines of duty exceedingly encouraging. The prescribed lines of duty for volunteers are many and varied; it is an easy matter for the applicant to single out a branch in which she is proficient; and the careful attention being devoted to the cause by the prime movers is enabling the volunteers to sign for work in which they are capable of producing the

greatest degree of efficiency.

In short, the movement is one that should have the support of the community. War is inevitable but until it n snort, the movement is one that should have the support of the community. War is inevitable bet until it actually comes upon us, we have no way of accurately measuring the value or number of the women who are willing to do a man's work. It takes a crisis of this nature to determine who the woman patriots of a mu-nicipality are and the activity of the National Special Aid

ATTACKS GREMAN NATION.

If a man grows rich very rapidly he is apt to be attacked by the "megalocephalic microbe" and suffer from what is popularly known as "big-head." The symptoms are a rise in egotism and arrogance, and a disposition to assume as personal merit a result due to lack and to the institutions of the country which make business as an analysis of the country which make business as an aprofitable. It is not infrequently accompanied by jealousy of the old families who have been wealthy for generatines and leak down as the newly righ. The artific ferroges and leak down as the newly righ. The artific ferroges are leaked to the newly right. of the old families who have been wealthy for genera-tions, and look down on the newly rich. The entire Ger-man nation (at least the ruling class) are suffering from this malady. In 1870 they got a lot of money from France. They went into business in a systematic and thorough way, like the Japanese. They were troubled by no in herited prejudices. They hired Scotch engineers to show them how to build a steel ship and they learned thor-oughly. They made everything that would pay, so that ten years ago the profits from their outside trade were conservatively estimated at half a billion dollars yearly. ervatively estimated at half a billion dollars yearly, th peace rains from the heavence put out conservatively estimated at half a billion dollars yearly, exclusive of the profit from carrying freights and passengers over sea. They invested these profits prudently en Germany and the United Stages would for the most part, with the exception of some outlying the world. America's entry into the area are real estate in Africa and China which did not by much the end. The kaiser knows it. And be at first but might come in usefully as the children grow might. The inventive age increased the wealth of the world to many fold and the Germans availed themselves of every new discovery. In consequence, they grew rich with swonderful rapidity and came to the conclusion that they were a favored nation, a chosen people. They then made their great mistake, for every nation is a favored nation to its own people. In fact the big head or megalocephalic mania led them into one mistake after alother, mistakes of a kind that men are too proud to repent, and never acknowledge till the big head has subsided.

It takes a very well balanced, level headed man to the

knowledge till the big head has subsided.

It takes a very well balanced, level headed man to stand a sudden influx of prosperity of any sort, and a nation is never entirely made up of such men. There are found feather-weights and balloon minds even among so sensible a people as us Plainfielders.

#### CLEAN ADVERTISING! WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

Advertising of a questionable or objectionable nature the neither solicited nor accepted by the Plainfield Record. But This statement has previously been made but like all other weekly newspapers the Record gets its share of applica-tions for white space from firms whose sole object is to fool the public. Weekly publications for some unexplain-

of the home city. The few Bollars sacrificed in turning A very good thing for Congress to do would be to make down advertisements that earry a tinge of suspicion are an emergency measure of the pending bill, and pass it down advertisements that earry a tinge of suspicion are dollars well spent. By adhering arisity to clean-ent quickly:

Developments during the past month fave been strongly indicative of a Citizens' Ticket for sext fall's field that has an old established daily. Few weekly publelections. Plainfield has a lion's share of the county's lications are bucking the class of competition that the scartor ''.Jim' Martine declared:

"I realize what money is. I know. I have earned are yet dollar I have by struggle and hard knocks. I have earned are the county's lications."

Assemblyman Arthur N. Pierson has introduced to the has indicated that Plainfield has been eliminated on his calling list. Plainfield has been eliminated to the favors from him and admit that he has worn the mat. Where necessity demants he will course do the recommending for a logal office will impressive ecremonics have been arranged by a committeeform the mat. Where necessity demants he will estection and Governor Edge's election last fall will not disappointed if he falls to reciprocate.

Next year will mark the retirement from office of raral country officials holding reminerative jobs. The officials have worked hard and untiting the superscript of the falls to reciprocate and the event is certain to be one of raral country officials holding reminerative jobs. The considered the first actual stellar have worked hard and untiting small neutral nations in the war against Germany would will have an opportunity to the surprised in most cases to find that such a law has not the surprised in most cases to find that such a law has not the surprised in most cases to find that such a law has not the retrieved and the event is certain to be one of the various other clips of the bright spots in the municipality's history.

Next year will make it a point make it a punishable offense to drive a horse draw vehicle at night without displaying a tail light. Jesseyttes will not doubt the neuristic play a fermion of the surprised in most cases to find that such a law has not to have the month of the surprised in most cases to find that such a law has not to have them on the rear of autos.

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lated. It is the only of every families used and participate in the dedication. A representative gathering will set as an expression of either approval of the efforts of those re-sponsible for this creditable city improvement.

#### COUNCILMEN SHOULD BE PAID ANNUAL SALARY.

Suggestion made by the Business Men's Association that the members of the local Common Council be paid an annual salary is worthy of serious thought. Cor the fact that our City Fathers devote twenty. cent. of their evenings during the year, and in some cases fifty per cent., to their work, their services are well worth any remuneration the municipality may feel able to appropriate. There has been no tendency on the part of the councilmen to solicite pay and it is possible that they would see it. would refuse it if offered.

would refuse it if offered.
Councilmanie work consists of more than the routine so many taxpayers imagine it to be. It requires a
conscientious sacrifice of time and energy and those elected to the office offentimes are subjected to undeserved

Other cities of Plainfield's size have established a Other cities of Plaintield's size have established a plan for the payment of councilmen and city government officials. There is every reason to believe that Plainfield could adopt a similarly satisfactory system. In Elizabeth the question was brought up about a year ago and the subject was left to the councilmen themselves to decide. result was a refusal of pay.

However, this is not a matter that should be placed

before those who are to be affected. In voting on a salary issue the councilman finds himself confronted with an embarrassing situation and in a class of men such as com-pose our governing body salary is almost certain to be

During the past week the Record had occasion to pass upon the advisability of publishing a signed communication brought to this office by a citizen who has proven himself to be a crank of the first order. The columns of the Record are open to its readers for the publication of signed articles, but it is necessary at times to distinguish between the right and wrong kind of publicity.

Newspapers must not be used as a media Newspapers must not be used as a medium through which private grievances may be aired by vindictive individuals. No matter what the standing or moral reputation of the writer way be in the community the newspaper has no right to publish slander for which he guarantees responsibility. The publisher is responsible for what appears in print and if he is foolbardy enough to wrimpathize with a crank to the extent of wasting white paper in assisting him to seek revenge he must take the onsequences.

The article referred to was written by a pr

owner and an apparently responsible individual. He admits he has an ax to grind but presents only flimay proof to back him in his attack on prominent city officials. He may be well informed, this we do not deny, but at the same time the newspaper must first be convinced before it attempts to convince its readers.

It is rported in New York that it is so hard to find domestic servants that many private houses will be closed, and their occupants will be found in hotels, or outside the city. The explanation offered is that during the number and fall, while these people enjoyed themselves in the country or at the seaside, a multimed of women the country or at the munitions factories and mer and fall, while these people enjoyed themselves in the country or at the seaside, a multitude of women servants were tempted into the munitions factories and other shops where they obtained better pay and a more independent life. Employment agencies declare that they have never before known such a shortage of domestic service as exists now. Speaking particularly of the aniser and governesses, one paper declares that "men have re-cently been employed to wheel baby carriages," taking the place of nurses who have left to work in the factories. But whatever of men (her have here and what sort of men take the leavings of the explained.

tions for white space from firms whose the public. Weekly publications for some unexplain fool the public. Weekly publications for some unexplain of read reason are particularly desirable as prey, for these fakirs. Twentieth century weekles are waking up to the necessity of establishing a "dead-line" for the protection of their readers but there still remain hundreds of "weeklies" that will take anything at any price.

The Plainfield Record has maintained a policy designed to encourage home trade and boost the enterprises of the home city. The few flollars sacrified in turning A very good thing for Congress to do would be to make down advertisements that carry a tinge of suspicion are an emergency measure of the pending bill, and pass it quickly. A bill is pending in Congress to give control of every wireless telegraph company in America to the Navy De partment. In time of war control of land telegraph lines

under such conditions.

When the Record was first issued certain interested and vote almost flippantly, millions of dollars on projects competitors gave it a month's life, others were charitable the benefit of which is so remote as to be almost intangi-

The 'Farmer Orator' has but a few more weeks to A serve but his principles are worthy of emulation by his . . . . .

#### THE WEEK'S REVUE

Sarah Bernhardt has requested that a Samplex, Pierce Arrow or Packard automobile be at the station to mee her when she arrives tomorrow morning. Considering the fact that the "Divine Sarah" in of French extraction it was real charitable of her to select three of America' highest priced motor vehicles in preference to Denni O'Brien's deep sea going hack.

. . . . .

It's just about a year ago since they laid the corner-stone of Plainfield's new postoffice and it is still impo-sible to predict when it will be ready for occupancy. At this rate the city officials now in office should have no cause to worry about the interior decorations of the new city hall for they'll all be on the pension list when this structure is turned over to the public. . . . . .

It was too cold to stand on the street corners and argue war in Plainfield during the past week but this is the only nice thing we can find to say about the weather-

Criticism to the effect that the new city hall is to far from the heart of the city is sufficient proof to make the average citizen believe that the location is ideal. The party who balks at a three blocks' walk is just the of a loafer we don't want hanging around the city h

As the possibility of compulsory military service dawns brighter there are a lot of young fellows, who evidentally don't relish the idea of working for the government eight hours a day for six months at the rate of five dollars a month, trying to cultivate a twenty-eight year old appearance.

"Can you fill a man's place?" is the slogan of the recruiting officers in charge of the National Special Aid Society's activities here. Here's a chance for our "suff" friends to store up some publicity cross fire for next fall's campaign by volunteering their services as assemblymen, neilmen, mayors, etc.

Charles E. Hughes, who was retained by New York city to pass on the constitutionality of the proposed west-side contract with the New York Central, held that the contract would be constitutional. He was paid \$7,500 for the opinion.

British steamers carrying munitions are understood to be assembling in the Atlantic off the Virginia capes and will be convoyed by a British warship.

The new fort at Rockaway Point will have a front-age of 6,000 feet on the Atlantic and will extend back 2,000 feet to Jamaica Bay.

According to the Brooklyn Eagle's automobile de-rtment this new German car, the Overt Act, has fine

Has anyone heard of Bill Bryan calling at the War Department with a pledge to raise a million men over

Hunger may yet win the Nobel prize as the first of

The Mexican newspapers which announced that General Pershing's forces had captured a two-headed man were probably deceived by the statement that rival army beschall teams had concluded a double header.

Who was it said that the German submarine policy the "Potsdam shame!"

The mysterious submarine sighted off Marblehead, Mass., last week was probably the ghost of the Spanish fleet sighted in '98. . . . . .

Now we wonder why they don't recall the American suls at Milwaukee and Hoboken?

. . . . . "The Republican party controls the situation," reads dispatch fro

dispatch from China.

And "God save China" prays an American news

There is sufficient reason to think that the American gle is capable of emitting other notes besides the fa liar twitter of alarm.

There's consolation in the belief that Uncle Sam in't raise an army any faster than the American girls in knit sweaters for them.

We were notified in the mail during the past week that the editor of the Fatherland had changed the name of the publication to the New World. There wasn't snything else for him to do except keep his month shut; but can we say the same of Bill Bryan?

. . . . This time last week we firmly believed that our next te would be forged in the munitions plant

.... How many times have you jumped to the conclusion at German bombs were being set off in your back yard

If Ford's \$100,000,000 will accomplish as much as his cars have the war's settled already

WHAT SOCIETY IS DOING DURING WINTER MONTHS

## SOCIAL and PERSONAL

Final Touches

Being Put on

**NEWS OF THE WEEK** CONCERNING PLAINFIELD PEOPLE

#### PERSONAL

#### Bluebird Shower Entertainment for Benefit of School

#### NTEREST IN ISS McKENZIE'S VISIT

## for Bride-elect

#### Elks "Mask Dance" Largely Attended

### Local "Suffs" as Patriots

#### America First; Society Later

## Call Halt in Club Minstrel

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#### Mrs. Thomas Edison Pours Tea Here

# Belgian Work

#### College Card Party at the Park Club

### All is Ready for Big Fair

#### Labor Issue Will Be Subject for Debate

#### Many Attend K. of C. Fair

## of Junior Circles

## of National Body

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ful to contemplate.

Even unbelievers will admit that the churches benefit a community, Of course there may be some people who GO TO CHURCH just for the appearance of things. But happily there are thousands who are sincere in their religious belief and their worship of Ged. Those people help to make this glorious country what it is. Statistics show that there is a MINIMUM OF CRIME in communities where there are plenty of churches. The most hardened crispinal has been reached by an appeal to his BETTER NATURE, by an appeal to his belief in a Supreme Being.

Being:

BASICALLY, EVERYBODY IS ALL RIGHT. TO USE AN APT SAYING, "THERE'S A LOT OF BAD IN THE BEST OF US, A LOT OF GOOD IN THE WORST OF US." GOING TO CHURCH SURELY SRINGS OUT THE BEST IN US. PROPINQUITY IS A GREAT THING. A MAN WHO GOES TO CHURCH REQULARLY, EVEN AS A MATTER OF FORM. EVENTUALLY IS SURE TO INBIBE THE TEACHINGS OF GOD. THE ENVIRONMENT WILL MAKE HIM RIGHTEOUS. IT WILL MAKE HIM A BETTER CITIZEN.

It is not enough that you GO TO CHURCH. Be prepared to answer the scoffer. Don't give him any peace. Try to show him where he is wrong. Everybody can do a little for the GO TO CHURCH, provement. Are you doing it?

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## Lecture Series

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#### for Young People Lenten Season Will be Marked by Special Service Programs

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### National Aid Society Seeks War Recruits

#### P. H. S. Boy on Gerard Train

#### Foodstuff Shortage Getting Serious Here

#### Called to Canada by Son's Illness

#### Crane to be Sworn In On March First

#### Seek Advice From Blatz

#### Recreation Work Booming This Winter

#### U. S. Army Getting Recruits From Here

### Inauguration Militia Garb is Designated

#### Testing Candidates for the Police Force

#### A Simple Lesson In Arithmetic



### Aero Exhibit Makes A Hit

### Troop D Mess In Readiness

#### Joffre's Nephew Now Living Here

### Is Your Flag Hung Right?

#### Prison Farm Plan **Gaining Supporters**

#### Masonic Affair In P. H. S. Hall

### Sugar Scarce; May Soar to **Twenty Cents**

### Reformers Rap County Officials

### Big New Building Contracts Not Keeping Up To Schedule

#### Tabs Assume Lead Tonight

#### East End School Still Unfinished

#### Plainfielder Held for Injuring Man

#### Another Cop Goes to N. Y.

#### Borough Church Making Bazaar Plans

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#### Housewives Will Study Economics

#### Appeals to Press for Co-operation

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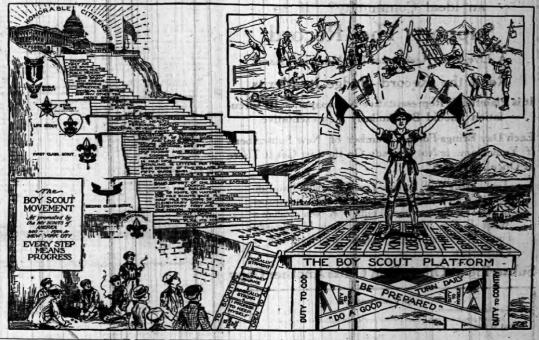
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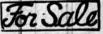
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