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Home Guard By-laws

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officers his connection with this or-
ganization shall terminate.

4. OFFICERS.—(a) Civil. The civil
officers shall be president and secre-
tary-treasurer. Their duties shall be
those regularly ascribed to those of-
fices. The secretary-treasurer shall
collect all dues and assessments, giv-
ing his receipt for same and render
account for all moneys received. These
officers shall be elected by a majority
vote of the members present at the
meeting.

(b) Commissioned Military officers.
The Commissioned military officers
shall be a captain, 1st lieutenant and
second lieutenant. These officers
shall be elected by a majority vote of
the members present at the regular
meeting for election of officers.

(c) Non-Commissioned Military Of-
ficers. The non-commissioned mili-
tary officers shall be appointed by the
commissioned military officers.

(d) Medical Corps. A medical
corps consisting of practicing physi-
cians, members of this organization,
shall be appointed by the commis-
sioned military officers.

5. TERM OF OFFICE.—All officers
shall hold office for the term of three
months, unless sooner removed for
cause. Election of officers shall take
place at the regular business meetings
in March, June, September and De-
cember of each year. Any officer may
be removed for cause, after proper
trial, by the officers or body electing
or appointing him.

6. MEETINGS.—Regular Meetings
shall be held the second Friday evening
of each month. The meetings for drill
shall be held at such times as desig-
nated by the captain.

7. DISCIPLINE.—In general it is
the aim to acquaint all members with
the requirements, standards, regula-
tions and penalties of the United
States army, and to this end all mat-
ters of discipline should follow, as
nearly as possible, those prescribed
for the army, where applicable to this
organization. Infraction of discipline,
tardiness, absence from drills and vi-
olations of these by-laws shall be re-
ferred to a court composed of the pres-
ident, who shall be the presiding of-
ficer, secretary-treasurer, who shall
keep a record of such trial, and the
three commissioned officers. This
court shall have jurisdiction in all
matters pertaining to discipline, and
may summon any member to testify
before it. Its decisions shall be bind-
ing and final. It may impose fines
for first or minor offenses and may
suspend or expel for cause. Its ses-
sions shall be secret and its findings
in writing, a copy of which shall be
given the defendant. Provided, that
in case charges shall be brought
against any of the elected officers, the
members of this organization shall
constitute a court to try him, but such
trial shall be held only after notice
shall have been given each member. A
majority vote of the members present
at such meeting shall be required for
conviction. In case of conviction the
punishment shall be determined by vote
of the members. The president shall
preside at such trial, unless he is on
trial, in which case the captain shall
preside. The presiding officer shall
decide all points of order, but an ap-
peal may be taken from his decision
to the house.

8. DUES.—The initiation fee shall
be fifty cents, which shall include the
first quarter's dues. Dues shall be
twenty-five cents per quarter, payable
in advance.

9. PUBLICITY.—Every person
shall be given a copy of these by-laws
upon becoming a member. A copy
shall be accessible at each regular
meeting.

10. PLEDGE OF FAITH—Each
member shall sign the muster roll as
a pledge that he accepts the by-laws
and all rules and agrees to be gov-
erned by them and will abide by all
contained therein.

11. VACANCIES.—In case of va-
cancies occurring from any cause in
any civil or commissioned military of-
fice the members of this organization
shall fill the office by election for the
unexpired term. Any vacancy in any
non-commissioned military office shall
be filled by appointment by the three
commissioned military officers for the
remainder of the unexpired term.

12. AMENDMENTS.—These by-
laws may be amended as follows: A
proposed amendment shall be put in
writing, signed by at least ten mem-
bers, and given to the secretary, who
shall read the proposed amendment
at a regular meeting, and it shall be
voted upon at the next regular meet-
ing. A majority of members present
at such regular meeting shall be suf-
ficient to carry. Amendments ap-
proved take effect immediately.
Adopted December 21, 1917.

Sugar Must be Bought
in Small Quantities

A shortage of sugar is apparent and
drastic measures must be taken that
every one may have sugar, says Gur-
don W. Wattles, Federal Food Admin-
istrator for Nebraska. The drain up-
on the United States for supply of
the Allies has knocked a big hole in
the available supply. Published re-
ports that no limit has been placed
upon sugar purchases are absolutely
untrue and have been prompted by
ignorance of the existing conditions.

"The Federal Food Administration
is asking the citizens to limit their
purchases of sugar to small quan-
tities and to buy oftener," says Mr.
Wattles. "The Washington office
has said that three pounds of sugar
per month per person is a reason-
able supply and that Nebraska citi-
zens should bear these figures in
mind in making purchases.

"Retailers are asked to limit sales
of sugar to consumers to five pounds
in cities and towns and in the rural
districts not to sell more than ten
pounds at any one time. Retailers,
however, will have to use their judg-
ment in the matter of size of families.

"If we buy small amounts and often,
every one can have some sugar; if
we buy in large amounts some one
will have to go without. We want
everybody, no matter how big or little,
to have an equal chance.

Agents Taking Orders
Must Have Licenses

These recent rulings of the Food
Administration will be of information
to all Nebraskans:

Traveling salesmen, representing
mercantile establishments selling di-
rect to the consumer, must be licensed
as brokers. This applies to those
who take orders, which are shipped
either direct to the consumer or to
the salesman and distributed by him.

Bakers in making bread may use
ten (10) ounces of skimmed dried
milk instead of six (6) pounds of
fresh skimmed milk, if they desire,
to every 196 pounds of flour or meal
used.

Bakers may donate their products
to churches and charitable institu-
tions.

Four Pounds of Flour
Should Last One Week

Four pounds of flour per week per
person has been defined as a reason-
able amount, according to Gurdon W.
Wattles, Federal Food Administrator
for Nebraska. Consumers should
bear these figures in mind in making
their purchases so that there may be
an even distribution of flour through-
out the country.

"We want to stabilize prices and
keep them from soaring," said Mr.
Wattles. "By the voluntary coopera-
tion of the citizens of Nebraska we
can accomplish this without hardships
on any one or any class of people.

"Bread is the staff of life and we
must exercise every precaution that
all can get it at a reasonable cost,
taking into consideration existing con-
ditions."

Omaha, Neb., Dec. 24, 1917.

It will require a small army of men
to take the income tax returns of
persons subject to the new law.

Collector of Internal Revenue, Geo.
L. Loomis, today announced that 24
officers will start from his headquar-
ters on January 1st and on January
2nd every one of them will be on the
job in the county assigned him, to
meet the people and help them make
out their income tax returns. The of-
ficer assigned to this county is due to
arrive here on Febr. 20th and to re-
main until March 1st, both dates in-
clusive. He will have his office in the
court-house in Red Cloud, where he
may be found every day of the dates
stated.

"It will be well for every unmarried
person whose net income for 1917 is
\$1,000 or over, and every married per-
son living with wife or husband whose
net income for 1917 is \$2,000 or over,
to call on the income tax man and
learn whether or not they have any
income tax to pay," Collector Loomis
said today. The person subject to
tax who doesn't make return in the
time prescribed is going to regret it.
The Government will get after all in-
come tax slackers.

"There's hardly a business man,
merchant of professional man who
won't have to make return of income.
Farmers, as a class, will have to pay
the tax. The safe thing to do is for
every person who had a total income
of \$1,000 or \$2,000, as the case may
be, and who is not sure about what
deductions the law allows him, to play
safe by calling on the income tax
man."

"The man in the field will have
forms for everybody and persons who
expect to call on him need not trouble
themselves to write to my office for
forms."

THE SILVER LINING



You know about the pitiful mothers and babies of northern France,
northern Italy, Belgium, Serbia, Roumania and Poland, do you? The
homeless, ragged, freezing, starving, diseased, mutilated women and
children caught in the invasion of their countries by the war-mad beasts
from the German jungle—you know about them? You know the Ameri-
can Red Cross in Europe is the one agency that can help them—that it
is the silver lining of the blackest cloud the world has ever known? The
Red Cross must have 15,000,000 members by Christmas eve. You must
join at once. The man who would turn down the Red Cross ought for-
ever more to be ashamed to face good women and innocent children.

TO FATHERS

When You Join the Red Cross
and Give Your Mite, You Help
Our Soldiers in Europe and
Feed Starving Babies.

TO MOTHERS

The Red Cross Needs Your Help
to Save Women and Babies
in Europe and to Care
for Our Soldiers.

Fathers: Suppose that three years
ago a powerful and savage enemy had
invaded our nation suddenly and you
had been called into the army to de-
fend the country. Suppose that our
county had been captured by the in-
vader; your home burned, your wife
and half-grown daughter carried away
into slavery worse than death and your
son mutilated and put to work behind
the enemy lines.

You think such things couldn't hap-
pen to you and your family? Well,
just those horrors were visited upon
thousands of fathers in France and
Belgium by the Kaiser's savages. It
has been revealed to us during the last
few months by the secret service that
the Huns were plotting an invasion
of the United States through Mexico.
But for a fair destiny those horrors
would have been ours, because the Kaiser
aims to dominate the world and
spread over the earth his brand of love
and fellowship called "kultur."

The American Red Cross has been
called upon to relieve suffering "over
there" and to restore as far as possible
devastated sections of allied territory.
It is now on the job. The Red Cross
is conducting thousands of hospitals in
France for American and allied sol-
diers, and running ambulance lines
and comfort stations innumerable.

Yet the organization cannot do
enough because it hasn't half enough
members back home here to support
the vast work there. So now it is con-
ducting a campaign to get fifteen mil-
lion members by Christmas eve. It is
an honor to belong to the Red Cross.
If you aren't already wearing the little
button, enroll at once. The mem-
bership costs just \$1.00 a year. Another
dollar brings you the Red Cross Maga-
zine for twelve months.

Suffering Europe, especially the
women and children, needs your help.

Dear Mothers: Surely you will do
what you can to relieve the sufferings
of the homeless, wretched mothers and
children of war-torn Europe—ragged,
starving, freezing, tuberculous women
and babies who for three years have
endured the horrors of hell. They
are your sisters and your sisters'
children. The end is not yet for them.
Think what they must go through this
winter. Think of yourself and your
little ones here in America, safe and
comfortable.

In the trenches "over there" are mil-
lions of men undergoing indescribable
hardship and suffering and death to
save the liberty-loving world from the
Kaiser and his savage hordes. Think
of them. Remember they are stand-
ing between you and the fate that God-
less, "kultur"-mad Germany poured
upon the women and children of north-
ern France, northern Italy, Belgium,
Poland and Roumania.

Of course you cannot go to Europe
and nurse and feed and clothe and
shelter those sufferers. But the Ameri-
can Red Cross is over there doing it—
the noblest labor in the world's history.
Our Red Cross is nursing and feeding
and clothing and sheltering them. And
it is conducting thousands of hospitals
and ambulance lines and comfort sta-
tions for American soldiers and the
soldiers of our allies.

Yet the Red Cross cannot do enough
because it hasn't half enough mem-
bers. Therefore a campaign is being
made to get fifteen million members by
Christmas eve. It is an honor to be-
long to the organization.

You will join, won't you? You will
see that your husband enrolls, and that
each of the children is enrolled—sure-
ly. Annual membership costs \$1.00.
An additional dollar brings the Red
Cross Magazine for a year.