

BUSINESS LIKE PLAN OF RELIEF

It Has Been Drafted by G. H. Fisher of This City.

THE INTENTION IS TO PROVIDE A MEANS OF ASSISTING THE FAMILIES OF MEN WHO ENLIST WHERE THOSE LEFT BEHIND ARE IN NEED OF ASSISTANCE—PROVISIONS MADE FOR PAYING A SMALL AMOUNT TO DEPENDENT ONES OF THOSE KILLED.

The following plan outlined by Mr. G. H. Fisher is intended to effect a systematic and business-like plan of furnishing relief to the families of soldiers away at war, who have left their families without adequate means of support. It will accomplish the following desirable objects:

- 1.—Assure to such families as are in need of help a weekly sum of not to exceed \$2.00.
2.—Assure them, in case of the death of the soldier during the war or within six months after his removal from causes connected with his service as a soldier of the United States, a sum not to exceed \$200, enough to enable them in most cases to find suitable means of support.
3.—Supply them in cases of excessive sickness with medical treatment and necessary medicines.
4.—Relieve the anxiety of men at the front concerning the welfare of their families.
5.—Remove the fear of want from the families of patriotic men who would like to serve their country actively, but are deterred by this obstacle.
6.—Enable men, women, boys and girls who desire to render patriotic service, but cannot go to the front, to bear a share of the burden of active warfare, otherwise falling exclusively upon the soldiers and their families. It sees without saying that the present arrangement is unfair, and does not give opportunity for the display of patriotism on the part of non-combatants.
7.—Furnish a means of forwarding supplies, medicines, clothing, etc., to the front, or when called for, to Cuba for the poor and starving there, after the manner of the sanitary commission of the rebellion. As soon as Cuba is opened, it will be necessary to forward supplies in large amounts, and an organized means should be furnished for doing this; if not, the work will be done sporadically, as it has been thus far, where the effect is lost through the lack of system in doing it. There is no one who will not want to help in this work as soon as it is ready, and an opportunity is hereby given for every person to do his or her share.

RAISE FUNDS QUICKLY.
8.—At the close of the war it furnishes a means for quickly raising funds, if desired for a soldier and his family, or other token of regard that the people may see fit to raise in honor of the dead.
9.—Equalize the burden of relief work by enabling those in thinly settled districts, and in sections from which few enlist, to do their share in helping sections from which many enlist, and where the burden of helping the families at home would fall too heavily to be carried effectively.

These ends will be accomplished by organizing the relief work by counties, every contributor in the county sending his or her money to a common fund, from which all disbursements will be made, and by or through which organization all supplies would be forwarded to the front or to Cuba, as soon as the need arises.

The organization for this county will be called the Soldiers' Relief Committee of Lackawanna county, Pa., and those of other counties will bear similar names. It will have as president an influential citizen of this city. It will have as secretary a patriotic citizen, who will give part of his time to the work as his patriotic service to the country; and as treasurer, preferably, a man of such prominence and standing as to inspire universal confidence. Since the last year's convention, they should be bonded for a suitable sum to cover all that they may have at any one time, this not from distrust, but as a measure to inspire still more confidence in the business-like conduct of the work.

DUTIES OF PRESIDENT.
The duties of the president will be those usually falling to that office. Those of the secretary will be to receive and pay out money, keep records, print pledges and see that they are distributed, keep files of persons pledging and the amount of their contributions; each, send out notices that pledges are due whenever the funds in the treasury fall below some sum decided upon by the executive board, say \$1,000, \$2,000 or \$3,000, etc., see that auxiliary committees are organized in every town and township of the county to push the work locally, keep in touch with the work in other counties and states and with the state and national executive boards, get free transportation of supplies to the front and to Cuba, agitate for legislation exempting the checks used by the Soldiers' Relief Committees from the war tax, attend to the payment of doctors' and druggists' bills for soldiers' families, etc., as opportunities for furthering this good work may present themselves. He will do post of this through necessary clerks paid out of the common fund.

The treasurer will receive money from the secretary as fast as he collects it, keep it in bank, and pay it out in checks at the order of the secretary, and keep records of same. Both secretary and treasurer should make monthly reports and statements of account, and these should be published without charge in the county papers.
The work will be carried on locally by auxiliary committees. The auxiliary committees will get pledges by a house to house and store to store canvass, through churches, Sunday schools, day schools, unions, lodges, secret societies, etc. The pledges will be looked in pads of ten each and distributed at habit, until every one who has any desire to give, is reached, and whenever the funds need enlargement, again. Whenever the enlargement notices through the papers that pledges are due, these committees will make it their work to see that they are paid in, and to forward the money to the secretary. They will determine what families should be helped and for what sums weekly or in case of death, recommend the payment of doctors' and druggists' bills, collect supplies locally and forward same either direct or through the county, state or national committees.

AUXILIARY COMMITTEE.
An auxiliary committee can be formed in every school, church, lodge, etc., and in a public way in every ward or town. Any body of relief workers in the entire county, or any members so desire, a separate auxiliary committee. This has the double effect of both systematizing the work throughout the whole state and nation, and of allowing to those who have to do the local work, that complete freedom from regulations, set rules and red

tape which is so necessary to enthusiastic and effective work.
The auxiliary committees will be affiliated with the county officers thus: The chairman of each auxiliary committee will be a vice-president of the county executive board. The title will be first vice-president, when the chairman is a man, and second vice-president when the chairman is a woman, but in either case there will be no difference in relative importance in the executive board. Where there are several large towns or cities in a county, the work can be sub-divided as much as is considered desirable, and the city or town can be represented at its pleasure either by several vice-presidents or by one, in the latter case organizing the whole work in one large auxiliary committee. These details can be worked out in each case.

The money will be pledged, not necessarily in large amounts, but in monthly sums, this being better as giving the work permanency and regularity and being less of a burden, and of maintaining the interest in the work. The pledge will read somewhat like the following:
I, the undersigned, do pledge not to exceed \$1.00 per month to the SOLDIERS' RELIEF COMMITTEE OF LACKAWANNA COUNTY, PA., the same to be due and payable promptly to the secretary on receipt of notice from him to that effect, such time being not later than once each month, and then only when the funds in the treasury hands shall have fallen to below \$1,000. This pledge to be in force during the present war with Spain and for six months after its termination.

It is understood that in case I take up arms in active service or in case the signer is a female the person upon whom the pledge is made, shall be null and void.

MANAGEMENT OF THE FUND.
The management and direction of the funds and the purposes for which organized efforts shall be made, will be determined by a county executive board. This board shall be composed of the county president, secretary, treasurer and vice-presidents. It will also attend to having the secretary's and treasurer's accounts audited at suitable intervals.
The county committee shall continue during the present war, for six months after, and longer if such be the sense of the members. At the time of its disbandment the money on hand or to be raised by a final assessment will be applied to whatever purpose the members determine, by postal vote, either a return pro rata, or to some patriotic monument or the endowment of some institution as a lasting and useful memorial of the county's dead.

This work can be organized in any and all of the counties of the state and in other states. The county committees can organize into a secretary, treasurer and vice-presidents, the latter being the presidents of the county committees. A national committee and executive board can be organized in like manner, and, if desirable, a permanent organization can be maintained for whatever emergencies may arise in the future. The entire relief forces of the United States can in this manner be systematized into an organization ready to be turned at a moment's notice into whatever good work may, in our country's coming history, demand the efforts of its good and patriotic people.

WHO WILL UNDERTAKE AND SUPPORT THE WORK IN THIS AND NEIGHBORING COUNTIES?

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.
Sessions Will Be Held at Carbondale on Friday.
Following is the programme of the annual convention of the Lackawanna County Sunday School association which will be held in the Methodist church, Carbondale, next Friday.

- MORNING SESSION.
10.15 Devotional exercises—Rev. T. E. Jepson.
10.30 Places of Welcome—Rev. G. A. Place, Ph. D.
11.00 Report from president of each of the eight districts.
11.30 Our Aim and How to Plan for It—Mr. J. W. Barnes, state superintendent primary work.
AFTERNOON SESSION.
2.00 Devotional exercises.
2.15 Report of committee on nominations.
2.30 Treasurer's report—Chas. Baker.
2.45 Secretary's report—Miss Carrie Geary.
3.00 Pledge report—Dr. Fletcher.
3.15 Notes from the state convention.—E. J. Matthews, president Susquehanna Sunday School association.
3.30 The intermediate department—General discussion.
3.45 Committee on the lecture and the question method—Rev. Chas. Roads, D. D.

- EVENING SESSION.
7.00 Devotional exercises—Rev. Chas. Leo.
7.15 Home Conversations and How to Secure It—Mrs. Barnes.
8.00 The Coming Conflict—L. F. Dower, Muske.
8.15 How to Reach Those on the Outside—Dr. Roads.
Adjournment.

ENTERTAINMENT THURSDAY EVENING

Given in Elm Park Church for the Benefit of Howell Mission.
Thursday evening Miss Elizabeth A. Moyle and pupils will give a recital in the lecture room of the Elm Park church, for the benefit of the Howell mission. The programme is as follows:
Chorus.....By Miss Reclamation
Recitation.....Miss Edith Kautshoff
Recitation.....Miss Mabel McCawley
Recitation and Piano-music.....Miss Irene Francis
Solo.....Mrs. E. W. Swingle
Recitation.....Miss Jane Russell
Recitation.....Miss Bertha Francis
Recitation.....Miss Blanche Scorne
Piano-music....."The Raven."
Given by Five Young Ladies
Recitation.....Miss Florie Bonney
Recitation.....Miss Laura Russell
Recitation.....Miss Flora Kautshoff
Bible Solo.....Mr. Arthur Tisdell
Recitation.....Miss Ethel Peace
Recitation.....John McCawley
Recitation.....Miss Bertha Holden
Chorus.....By Miss Reclamation
Recitation.....Miss Edith Kautshoff
Recitation.....Miss Blanche Scorne
Recitation.....Miss Grace Scrine
Recitation.....Miss Hazel Hitchner
Solo....."Hyo-lo-lo."
Solo.....Miss Edith Kautshoff
Recitation.....Miss Laura Russell and Essie Reynolds.
Recitation.....Miss Alice Mooney
Recitation.....Harry Holden
Recitation.....Miss Essie Reynolds
Piano-music....."Rock of Ages."
Recitation.....Four Young Ladies
Recitation.....Miss Lois Holden
Recitation.....Miss Helen Hill
Bible Solo.....Mr. Arthur Tisdell
Recitation.....Miss Hattie Kline
Twenty-four Dalmatian Paws

OPHIUCUS TAKES ISSUE WITH COLES

The Dunmore Astrologer Disagrees With Storms and Signs.

HE STATES THAT THE BEAUTIFUL NEW STAR IS THE PLANET VENUS AND INTIMATES THAT THE WRITINGS OF THE KINGSTON EDITOR AND ASTROLOGER ARE MISLEADING—WHEN TO PLANT.

Written for The Tribune.
The editor of "Storms and Signs" in his May issue makes mention of the beautiful star which he predicted would appear (C), and calls special attention to the harm its message foretells. The whole story is misleading to a letter, and seems written for other purpose than to cause a sensational and somewhat bothersome story. This "beautiful star" is the planet Venus, which anyone might know by referring to any astronomical almanac, and on the 22nd it will be in conjunction with the moon, as will be seen in the almanac marked "conjunction Venus moon"; in other words the moon will pass that degree of longitude which Venus holds, thereby appearing to pass each other. The editor also calls attention as to how the moon will pass (Venus) the "beautiful star" whether north, south, or greet it in a friendly way? Surely the "professor" was in great haste to get his pamphlet in the press, for no one who would think a moment could make such a muddle of it as he did; yet the effects he assigns to it are fallacious. If he means whether Venus will be in conjunction first, there is no necessity of guess work as this can be told years beforehand.

AS TO VENUS.
About 7 p. m. on the 22nd of May the right ascension in arc of Venus is approximately 86 degrees, 7 minutes and its declination 24 degrees, 32 minutes (geocentric). "This event" he further states, "may cause high gales and fierce storms sometime between the 19th and 23rd." Such events are only too probable to occur, but it bears no relation whatever to the "beautiful star," its cause being the continued formation of mutual aspects on the 29th inst., causing the magnetic currents to be very powerful. His story seems to be a mass of superstitious nonsense intermingled with self-praise egregiously. As to the remaining portion of the night mist, no way concern the writers, but it is lamentable to think how many can be led away from the true teachings of the astral forces.

AN EVENING STAR.
The planet Venus will be a beautiful object on account of its size and brilliancy, and it will be an evening star until Dec. 1st, when it forms an inferior conjunction with the sun, and after this it will set before the sun and therefore become a morning star. It will turn retrograde on the 11th of November this year, and up to that date it will be an object worthy of notice in the northwest sky, just after sunset. On Sunday, May 22nd, Uranus is in opposition with the sun, and when the sun sets, Uranus will rise in the southeast, followed by Saturn, Jupiter is also an evening star, and its right ascension 181 degrees and is nearly as bright as Venus.

WHEN TO PLANT.
The best days in May for planting corn, beans (pole or dwarf) grain, lettuce, flowers, etc., are the 3, 4, 5, 6, from 7 to 10 a. m., and 3 to 6 p. m., and on the 30th and 31st from 6 to 8 a. m., and 1 to 3 p. m. The best days to plant melons, cucumbers, pumpkins, radishes, etc., are the 23, 24, 25, from 6.30 to 8.30 a. m., and from 2 to 4.20 p. m. These dates may be relied upon.
For the good "Storms and Signs" may do, we wish it every possible success.
Ophiucus.
May 3rd, 1898.

BEAUTIFUL BAPTISMAL FONT.

Presented by Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Conyngnam to St. Stephen's Church.
Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Conyngnam, of Wilkes-Barre, have presented to St. Stephen's Episcopal church of that city a beautiful baptismal font. It was presented in memory of the donors' daughter, Ruth Ann. It is made of Tennessee marble and is five feet high, resting on a solid pedestal of granite. The base of the block bears a wreath of lilies in relief—a fine work of art. The whole is polished by eight circular pillars of polished marble, with carved capitals, one under each octagonal face. In the center is a heavy column. The front of the pedestal bears an appropriate inscription cut in the stone.

SCHIMPF-CANNON WEDDING.

Ceremony Performed at the Home of the Bride in Peckville.
A very pretty event took place yesterday at noon at the home of Mrs. E. A. Plummer, Peckville, being the marriage of her daughter, Mignonette Cannon, one of Peckville's most talented and attractive young ladies, to Mr. Leopold Schimpf, a highly respected young man of this city. Only the nearest relatives of both families were present. The house was artistically decorated with hot-house plants, flowers and fruit-blossoms. The bride was dressed in a brown traveling costume, the groom wore the conventional black. Miss Mary Mooney, of Green Ridge, cousin of the bride, played Lohengrin's bridal march, and Rev. W. J. Guest, formerly of Peckville, performed the ceremony. After the usual congratulations the guests partook of a dinner. Mr. and Mrs. Schimpf then left for Washington and other points of interest south. They were the recipients of many handsome presents, marks of esteem and best wishes of their friends.

WYOMING SEMINARY COMMENCEMENT

Exercises in Nelson Hall Wednesday Morning, June 15.
The programme for the annual commencement of Wyoming seminary has been announced. The annual sermon will be preached in the Kingston Methodist church Sunday morning, June 12, by Rev. Charles H. Pay, D. D., and Rev. J. B. Sweet, of this city, will preach in the evening. The commencement exercises will be held in Nelson hall on Wednesday morning, June 15. The alumni address will be delivered by Thomas H. Dale, of this city. There are thirty-seven young people in the graduating class. None of them are from this city.

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HEALTH HINTS FOR SOLDIERS.
Some Practical Suggestions Offered Concerning Tropical Fevers.
From the New York Sun.
In the coming military operations in Cuba the enemy that our troops fear most is the yellow fever. The full-blooded northern constitution is particularly open to its attacks, and, as a rule, succumbs to them more readily than one accustomed to the conditions of a tropical climate.
Yet there are certain simple precautions that may be said to insure immunity from this dreadful disease. The yellow fever is the cause of troops in a locality for encampment above the fever level. This, as a rule, is about three hundred feet above the surrounding country, if marshy or covered with jungle, or if close to the coast about the same height above the sea level. But a hundred feet or so higher is still better. There is, however, a good natural indication of the fever limit that may be studied with advantage, which is the height in any given locality to which the night mists rise above the country level. Those spots that remain uncovered can be assumed to be safe camping grounds.
Where possible, troops should not be encamped to tropical night air, for, though there may be no yellow fever about, there is always more or less danger in the germs of malarial fever that find congenial conditions in robust northern constitutions. The hours between the setting of the sun and the rising of the sun are the most dangerous in the morning and sunset are without danger even in ordinary bad fever localities.
Then there are personal precautions that should not be neglected. They are: 1. To avoid the use of mosquito netting, generally the most fertile cause of tropical fevers. Damp or wet underclothing should be changed as soon as practicable, and never slept in under any circumstances. Cotton and linen clothes should be changed frequently, particularly the woollen; linen should be especially avoided.
In the matter of food, heating and stimulating articles of diet and drink should be partaken of only at the evening meal, and then only moderately; never in the daytime. When night work has to be done, such as sentry or patrol duty, the men going out or coming in should receive a small quantity of roborating tonic, such as coffee without sugar or with very little of it, and always without milk, which in tropical climates is apt to produce digestive derangement. A dash of good rum or other pure spirit in the coffee will do no harm, and a soldier should always be provided with some hard biscuits in his haversack to munch whenever so inclined.
Where troops are encamped on rivers or creeks, the drinking and cooking water should be taken invariably from up stream, and never below or in the immediate vicinity of the camp. The quality of the water for drinking purposes can always be determined by the medical officers, and there is nothing to be feared from the water itself, and the soldier's water bottles. The great thing is to see that the materials composing the food and drink of the soldier while engaged in operations in such a climate

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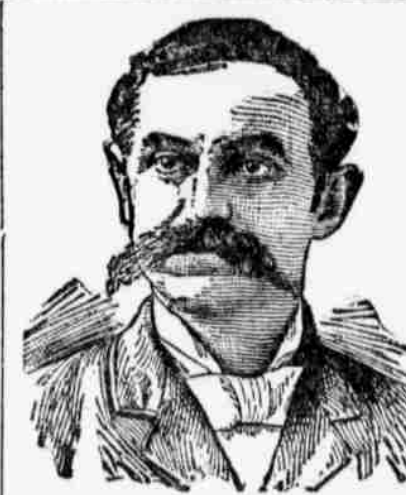
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as that of Cuba during the rainy season are of the best quality and properly prepared.
The searchlight is one of the most important items in the electrical equipment of modern ships, and much interest attaches to the present appearance of a new type of high power lens mirror projector, made especially for marine equipment. This little light is intended for the smaller class of yachts, of 100 feet or under, and is not too large for the smallest boat than can float a dynamo to supply the current. The lens is 9 inches in diameter, the total height 15 inches, and the weight 40 pounds. It throws a clear, round, solid beam, and will show a buoy about half a mile away on a dark night. Within the last few years America has made great strides in the manufacture of searchlights. In the same works where the miniature projector just described was

designed, searchlights of 72 inches diameter are now being constructed for naval and commercial service. The firm, instead of relying, as was formerly the custom, on foreign lensmakers, has a fine lensmaking plant of its own, where not only are the lenses ground and polished, but the special glass required in the glass "sweats" down between the halves of the mold and the surplus oozes out from the sides. The mold is then placed in an oven and buried in red-hot sand, and the temperature is gradually reduced over a period of two weeks. The glass, when cold, has become thoroughly annealed, and will stand the severe heating and chilling to which it is exposed in the searchlights without risk of breakage.

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