

Cadet Resignation Problem Confronting The War Department

(BY RODERICK CLIFFORD.)

Washington, Oct. 2.—The increasing frequency with which young officers who have been educated at the expense of Uncle Sam, at West Point or Annapolis, wish to resign, has become a problem of grave importance to the War Department. The resignations of officers, who have been detailed to view these posts, thus drawing about 800 officers from their posts.

Major General Carter explains that a certain number of resignations are expected every year, and although this year's number has exceeded the usual proportion, he considers it more as a coincidence than a forerunner of an increasing number to be expected in the future.

The war department's attention was recently called to the large number of enlisted men who have been buying their discharge from the army from the hands of Major General Frederick D. Smith, who admitted he was at a loss to explain the reason for the exodus from the service.

The war and navy departments are worried by the developments in the situation, and have started investigations to ascertain the causes, and determine what steps can be taken to check the increasing number of applications for discharge.

There has always been a large number of enlisted men seeking discharge, but recently the applications for resignations among the midshipmen and ensigns have been growing by such leaps and bounds, that the problem is becoming serious.

The wave of sentiment in favor of universal peace is supposed by some officials to be in part responsible for the resignations.

The navy and war departments have been periodically confronted with this question of the withdrawal of young officers from the service, particularly at a time when their schooling has been concluded, and they are about to enter upon active service.

When it is believed that the resignation of a young officer is generally accepted, the army does not suffer as much from this cause as does the navy.

Major General Leonard Wood, chief of staff of the army, recently refused to permit a young cavalry lieutenant to resign and engage in civil pursuits, because the officer wished to get married, he granted the young officer three months' leave with permission to go beyond the seas to enjoy his honeymoon.

Present short of officers due to the great number of special details. There have been militia manoeuvres in all parts of the country, and officers have been detailed to view these, thus drawing about 800 officers from their posts.

Hickory News Department

Hickory, N. C., Oct. 2.—The Sunday school county convention met in the Presbyterian church the 28th. Mr. J. Van Carter, state superintendent of Sunday schools, gave a very able address on Sunday school work.

Mr. George Hall has returned from a business trip to Atlanta. Miss Myrtle Little has returned from a three months' visit to friends and relatives in Mecklenburg county.

Mrs. Lizzie Springs and daughter, Miss Lula Springs of Charlotte, who have been spending the summer at Blowing Rock, the visiting Mrs. John Springs of this place.

The United States Marine Band gave a concert here the 28th, a large and appreciative crowd were present. Mrs. Dr. Wilson and Miss Setser from Serrill's Ford were visitors in the city this week.

Mr. Robert Foster has bought Mr. Marshall Ycant's cottage on Teath avenue. Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Jones have moved into Mrs. Marshall's home on 15th avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Cross, of Gates county, who have been spending the summer here returned home last week. Mr. C. M. Hardin and A. J. Bradshaw attended the Photographers' convention in Virginia and the Carolinas held in Asheville last week.

Mr. Dave Moore McComb is now rebuilding his big dairy barn recently destroyed by fire. Mr. and Mrs. Platts, Mr. Roy Olin, Mr. Dick Squires, Mr. F. J. Hunt, Mr. Fred Bentley, and Mrs. B. W. Griffin, all of Mecklenburg, are at Mrs. Robinson's for a month's stay.

Mrs. Roy Abernathy entertained informally at her beautiful new home on Thirteenth avenue Friday afternoon from four to six, in honor of her mother Mrs. Sourber of Harrisburg, Pa.

Miss Louise Allen has gone to Bristol, Tenn., to enter school. Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Martin have moved into the new home of Mr. W. T. Sledge on 11th avenue.

Miss Emma Pitts, of Catawba is visiting Miss Margaret Bost. The Thrifty Thirteen met at the home of Miss Katherine Gwaltney, Sept. 26th. Miss Lillian Hall and Miss Naomi Shell were visitors.

The Embroidery Club met with Mrs. T. F. Stevenson last week. Mrs. Cooper and Mrs. Johnson were present as baby to church" was read by Mrs. L. R. Whitner, while the others were engaged with their fanek work.

The Thursday Study Club met with Mrs. Claudia Henderson Sept. 28th. Mrs. Charlie Gettner and Miss Mabel Little were visitors. The club is studying Irish literature this year.

Whitener gave love making in Ireland. Mrs. Fay recited Biddy Brady's Barshree Irish as Mrs. Harte. Mrs. Harte also sang Kathleen Mavourneen. Current events were discussed and after adjournment refreshments were served.

Plans Outlined For Charlotte's Growth By Manufactories

In August a meeting of the Greater Charlotte Club was held to consider ways and means of promoting the industrial life of Charlotte. The matter was presented to the members of the club in an interesting manner by President Kuester and Secretary Covitz.

Much enthusiasm prevailed at the meeting and a number of citizens made enthusiastic addresses favoring the movement and a committee was appointed to perfect plans and draw up articles of incorporation.

The following gentlemen were appointed on this committee: A. D. Glascock, chairman; H. M. Victor, F. C. Abbott, E. M. Cole and John R. Rae. The following plan, largely prepared by Mr. E. M. Cole, was unanimously adopted by the committee:

Before the advent of modern means of communication and transportation, the location of cities and their size were determined by the natural features of the country. But today we are in the era of city building by the intelligent, aggressive, and persistent effort and co-operation of an enlightened and public spirited citizenry.

Charlotte is so favored by geographical, local climate, cheap electricity, power, excellent transportation facilities, and an unlimited supply of sober, intelligent workers, that it would be easy for its united and enthusiastic citizens to stimulate a wonderful growth in population and prosperity.

To achieve this much desired end the plan must be large in proportion as the work to be accomplished is large, and the plan must provide for continuous and increasing operations. It must enlist the support and sympathy of all classes of our citizens and bring its benefits and its profits to all alike.

The plan outlined below contains all the elements of successful operation and is based on a business enterprise with the additional safeguard of having the investment distributed through a large number of companies, the most of which will succeed, according to common experience.

It is proposed to organize and incorporate the Greater Charlotte Investment Company with a capital stock of one million dollars divided into ten shares, or ten dollars per share for ten years.

It is expected that the investment company will pay so well that it will be no trouble to place with others the subscriptions of those who may have to fall out on account of inability to pay for their stock.

The Greater Charlotte Investment Company would have a maximum of fifty thousand dollars each year for 10 years to put into select and approved enterprises. The by-laws provide that the investment company shall not subscribe for more than one-third of the whole capital stock of any one corporation, therefore this would mean a total of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars each year for ten years.

part of the policy of this company to bolster up crippled and ill-advised ventures that may already be here or may wish to come here. And let it be especially noted that this company will have nothing to do with any proposition, however good in itself, whose manager or managers have a record of failure or incapacity in business or whose personal habits and history would not give a guarantee of their trustworthiness or a sure promise that these would prove desirable additions to our citizenship.

This company believes that the matter of prime importance in any new business is the kind of men who record to run it. Therefore the record of every man will be thoroughly investigated and this company will not invest in any proposition whose managers cannot show a record for honesty, sobriety, industry, and ability.

Neither does this company propose to invest in speculative ventures. After it is satisfied that the men behind it will do to tie to, the company will if the proposition is sound and feasible then the way will be open for business.

The Greater Charlotte Investment Company will be run on strict business principles with the end in view of making money for its stockholders. It will avoid investing any money on a venture but will seek straightforward business propositions backed by men of character, ability and industry.

The manager will investigate each proposition and the man or men back of it and if the facts are favorable, he will then lay the whole matter before the executive committee, and this committee will pass upon the matter, or the securing of any further information desired. When the executive committee is convinced that the proposition is feasible and the men satisfactory, the committee will refer the matter to the board of directors and place all the facts before them.

If the whole proposition meets with the favor of the board, it will authorize the investment and will elect the directors in the new enterprise that the investment company is entitled to have on said board of directors.

The general manager will assist the new company in securing the right kind of charter, formulating by-laws, perfecting its organization, opening up a set of books best suited to the business proposed, and will give all the assistance to the new enterprise that an able and experienced man can so easily bestow.

The general manager of our company will have free access at all times to the books and records of every company in which the investment company holds stock and will keep close touch with the management and know the state of the business so that he can promote the success of the enterprise and be in position to protect the interest of The Greater Charlotte Investment Company.

From the foregoing outline one can easily see that the Greater Charlotte Investment Company offers the safest possible investment to the citizen of this city. The investment offers the greatest inducements to any one who desires to start a new enterprise or bring an enterprise to this city.

Briefly, the approval of the Greater Charlotte Investment Company would secure at once one-third of the required capital, this endorsement would make it easy to secure individual subscriptions for the amount necessary, the constant assistance and advice of our general manager and directors would be invaluable, the new enterprise would have the sympathy and support of all the stockholders of the Greater Charlotte Investment Company, and would thereby gain much patronage and favorable advertising wherever said stockholders lived.

ance in smaller amounts down to ten dollars a year. It is earnestly desired to have every thrifty, and ambitious worker in the city to invest something if only ten dollars a year. This will stimulate public spirit and civic pride.

This plan applies to investment and city building the basic principles that have caused the wonderful success of the building and loan associations. It gathers the easy investments of many people into a large fund and extends its efforts over a period of long enough to accomplish great results, and its benefits are distributed to all its members alike.

As soon as the organization is completed and the stock subscribed for, the Greater Charlotte Investment Co. will advertise to the whole United States that a five hundred thousand dollar corporation offers a definite proposition to take one-third of the stock of approved enterprises and give them ready assistance and give them the advantages of Charlotte as a manufacturing center and delightful place of residence, and also the terms upon which the investment company will aid those desiring to establish a business here.

It can easily be seen that the city will receive a large amount of favorable advertising that cannot fail to benefit the city outside of the industries that will be brought into her midst.

A. D. GLASCOCK, Chairman.
H. M. VICTOR,
F. C. ABBOTT,
E. M. COLE,
J. A. MCRAE,
Committee.

Offer Reward For Killers
Special to The News.
Asheville, Oct. 2.—Reports have reached Asheville relative to the killing of George McKay, to the effect that his relatives have offered \$1000 reward for the apprehension of the three persons who are charged with killing him and so far as has been learned here, have not been captured.

It appears that McKay came of an excellent Virginia family and that they are determined that his murder shall not go unpunished.
It is also reported that the Petersons are believed by some of the Burnsville people to be in hiding somewhere in the county as it is said that attempts have been made to employ legal counsel for them.

Many a girl who is forbidden to drink soda water takes it surreptitiously.
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LIBRARY EXTENSION.

Interesting exhibits of circulating or traveling school libraries have recently been made at the Appalachian exposition and at the state fair at Nashville, by the Tennessee state library, in charge of Miss Mary Skeffington, notes the Knoxville Sentinel. These are in charge of Miss Mary Skeffington, a librarian, who originated the idea of sending out selected libraries for the use of the schools of Tennessee. The general education bill of 1909 provides that one-fifth of the amount accruing annually for school libraries may be used for the purchase and maintenance of circulating or traveling libraries for the public schools of the state under the joint direction of the state library and the department of public instruction. About \$20,000 was made available under the act.

A set of traveling school libraries may be secured through any county superintendent. Over six hundred schools are now using the libraries in the state.
They consist of six shelves of well selected books, suitable for supplemental reading by the students of a school. Not only juvenile books, but those suited for older students are contained in the libraries. The school secured in the libraries will start many a boy and girl on the line of good reading.

The library extension work goes hand in hand with other efforts at school improvement. It is of immense assistance to an ab good teacher.
AN INTERNATIONAL DOUBLE WEDDING.
By Associated Press.
New London, Conn., Oct. 2.—An international double wedding took place yesterday when Miss Lucy Muriel Lord, of Burnley, Eng., became the wife of the Rev. Fred Smith of Attontons, Minn., and Miss Gertrude Redmond, also of Burnley, married the Rev. G. W. Roberts, of Hamline, Minn. The young women and the two presch-ers met in England several years ago. The young men have completed their education and secured good church positions in the Methodist Episcopal church. Both couples left for the West immediately after the ceremony.