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## LENIENCY PERIOD HAS COME TO END

BAKER ASKS GOVERNOR TO ENFORCE PENAL CLAUSE OF DRAFT LAW.

## ONE YEAR IN PENITENTIARY

Those Who Enrolled Between June 5 and June 11 Won't Be Prosecuted. Draft of Registrations is Almost Completed.

Washington.—The period of leniency ended June 11 for men between the ages of twenty-one and thirty, inclusive, who failed to register for the war army June 5.

Provost Marshal General Crowder sent to the governors of all the states a message asking them "to inaugurate from June 12 a vigorous, aggressive and effective enforcement of the penal clause of the selective service law against all who have by their failure to register brought themselves under those provisions."

The penalty for failure to register on June 5 is imprisonment for a year and enforced registration, but General Crowder, immediately after registration day, recommended that local boards provide further opportunity for delinquents. The department of justice notified United States attorneys to release those already arrested for failure to register, providing they have now registered.

General Crowder has almost completed a draft of registrations to govern exemptions and exemption boards, and expects to lay it before Secretary Baker in a few days for approval. The general believes no class should be exempted as such, but that local boards should decide on the circumstances in each individual case.

He favors use of some device such as a jury wheel for drawing the names of those to be examined by the exemption boards. The registrations will be made public after Secretary Baker and President Wilson approve them.

General Crowder's message to governors said:

"Quotas are to be assigned to the several states in proportion to the population as determined by the bureau of the census and not in proportion to the registration. The result is that every person who has failed to register is seriously increasing the burden of those who have registered."

"It is requested that every effort be now made to detect and arrest persons subject to registration who have not registered and to bring each promptly to the attention of the nearest representative of the department of justice. Care should be taken that the lists prescribed in paragraph thirty-nine (men registered) are promptly posted and all registrants should be asked to assist in bringing non-registered persons to the attention of the police."

"In case of doubt as to the age of persons who have not registered, the tabulated records of political organizations and other local records should be consulted and data may be obtained from the bureau of the census."

## BRITISH TROOPS ARE GIVING GERMANS NO REST

French and Belgians Are Preparing for Big Infantry Drive.

While the cannon are roaring along the greater portion of the front in Belgium from the region of the North Sea to the French border, probably preliminary to infantry attacks by the French and Belgians, the British troops in the Messines region are giving the Germans no rest.

Not satisfied with the capture of the famous Messines ridge last week, Field Marshal Haig's men continue here and there to dig further into the territory held by the Germans. Sunday night and Monday again witnessed thrusts by the British south and southeast of Messines, in both of which appreciable gains were made, especially in the neighborhood of La Poelre farm.

## GENERAL PERSHING GUEST AT BUCKINGHAM PALACE

London.—General Pershing and United States Ambassador Page took luncheon with King George and Queen Mary at Buckingham palace. The king had invited the enlisted men in General Pershing's party to visit the palace. General Pershing and Ambassador Page drove to the palace in the ambassador's car and spent nearly two hours there. After luncheon, the king and queen showed the visitors through the historic rooms.

## BOND SUBSCRIPTION IS DISAPPOINTING

NOT ONE OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE DISTRICTS UP TO MINIMUM.

## FIGURES ARE MADE PUBLIC

New York Makes Most Favorable Report.—Figures Made Public Based on Subscriptions Forwarded to Reserve Banks.

Washington.—Totals of subscriptions to the liberty loan aggregating \$1,300,000,000, as announced June 3 by Secretary McAdoo, have been made public by the treasury department, showing that not one of the twelve federal reserve districts have subscribed to its minimum allotments although New York, with the most favorable showing, has nearly reached the minimum.

In some instances, the amount of subscriptions from federal reserve districts, has fallen to less than one-third of the allotments. The figures made public are based upon actual subscriptions forwarded to the reserve banks. They follow:

New York—Subscriptions 588,000,000; allotment \$600,000,000 to \$750,000,000.

Boston—Subscriptions 138,000,000; allotment \$240,000,000 to \$300,000,000.

Philadelphia—Subscriptions \$61,000,000; allotment \$140,000,000 to \$175,000,000.

Richmond—Subscriptions \$35,000,000; allotment \$80,000,000 to \$100,000,000.

Atlanta—Subscriptions \$22,000,000; allotment \$60,000,000 to \$75,000,000.

Chicago—Subscriptions \$138,000,000; allotment \$260,000,000 to \$325,000,000.

Cleveland—Subscriptions \$153,000,000; allotment \$180,000,000 to \$225,000,000.

St. Louis—Subscriptions \$27,000,000; allotment \$80,000,000 to \$100,000,000.

Minneapolis—Subscriptions \$50,000,000; allotment \$80,000,000 to \$100,000,000.

Kansas City—Subscriptions \$34,000,000; allotment \$100,000,000 to \$125,000,000.

Dallas—Subscriptions \$20,000,000; allotment \$40,000,000 to \$50,000,000.

San Francisco—Subscriptions \$37,000,000; allotment \$140,000,000 to \$175,000,000.

## NINE MILLION IS NEW ESTIMATE ON REGISTRATION

Supplemental Reports Being Made by Some States.

Washington.—Twenty-six states and the District of Columbia, having all told slightly more than fifty per cent of the country's population, had sent in complete reports of their military registration showing total registration of 4,716,768 young men for war service.

For the territory reporting, the census estimate was 5,372,596 eligibles. On the basis of the returns, it was calculated that the grand total of registration probably would be close to 9,000,000, in place of 10,264,000, as forecast by the census experts.

The reports showed white registrations totalling 3,501,456; colored 634,170; alien 277,057; and enemy alien 45,018. Possible exemptions indicated totalled 2,508,624.

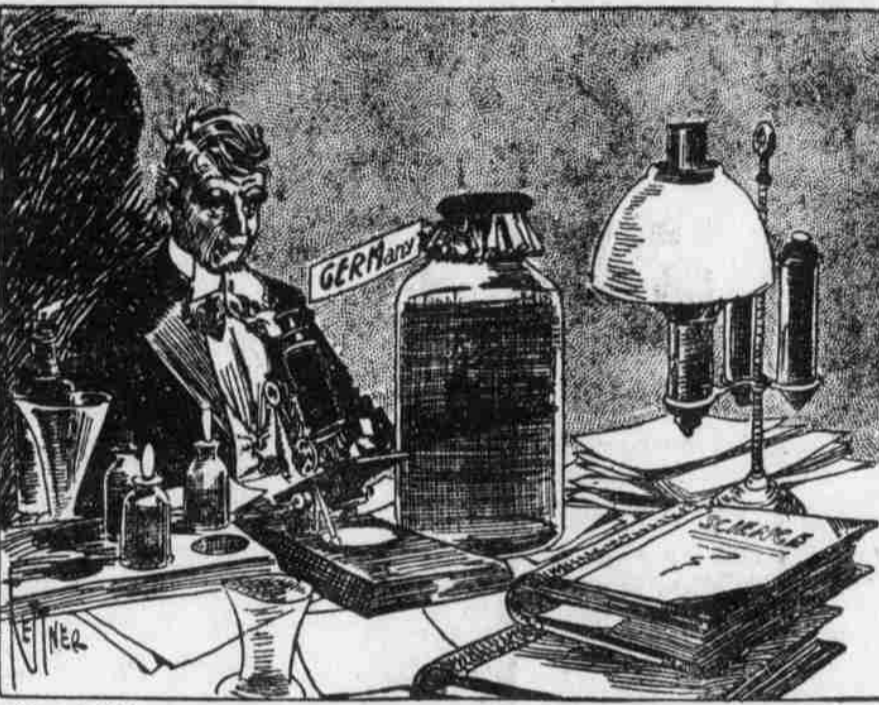
Officials pointed out that the census figures were intended only as approximates, and that the discrepancy should not be taken as indicating evasion of the draft. It also was pointed out that between 500,000 and 1,000,000 men included in the estimate already are members of the armed forces of the nation, and therefore did not register.

Many of the states which previously reported complete returns are sending supplemental reports adding to their totals. Delay in registering, especially among those who registered by mail, is responsible. This shifting of totals may delay a final tabulation for a week or more.

## RAILROAD MEN HEAR ADDRESS BY ROOSEVELT

Philadelphia.—Pledges of loyalty to the nation were renewed by officials of the railroad brotherhoods in addresses at their annual memorial services here at which Theodore Roosevelt was the chief speaker. Members of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, the Order of Railway Conductors, Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen, Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen and the Order of Railway Telegraphers from all sections of the east attended services.

## THE GERM



## HARRISON IS AGAIN HONORED

RE-ELECTED COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS BY ACCLAMATION.

Great Crowd of Veterans Pass Up Pennsylvania Avenue to Strains of "Dixie" While President Wilson and Vice-President Marshall Look On.

Washington.—The Confederate veterans re-elected Gen. George P. Harrison, of Opelika, Ala., commander-in-chief, and selected Tulsa, Okla., as the place for the 1918 reunion, after marching up Pennsylvania avenue to the strains of "Dixie" and passing in review before President Wilson and Vice President Marshall. Escorted by union soldiers, and followed by United States regulars, national guardsmen, cadets from the Virginia Military Institute and the Washington high school, the hosts of the south paraded in triumph through the streets of the capital to the accompanying cheers of the thousands of spectators who occupied all places of vantage along the line of march.

Despite the tremendous crowd which viewed the parade and the large number of veterans in line, the only accident reported was that received by Gen. James Dinkins, of Louisiana, in falling from his horse. He suffered a wrenched foot.

General Harrison was placed in nomination for another term by Judge John T. Goolrick, of Fredericksburg, and re-elected by acclamation.

Gen. Julian S. Carr, of North Carolina, was chosen lieutenant general commanding the department of the Army of Northern Virginia over Gen. J. Thompson Brown, of Virginia. In moving to make General Carr's election unanimous, General Brown declared that his cup of joy was full. "For on three occasions have I ridden up Pennsylvania avenue, twice as a prisoner, and today at the head of the Army of Northern Virginia."

## REGISTRATION RETURNS COMING IN SLOWLY

Total Likely to Fall Under Estimate. Many Exemption Claims.

Washington.—Registration returns came in slowly from the great army census, preventing anything approaching a conclusive estimate as to the number of men actually enrolled. An official statement, however, said such complete returns as were at hand indicated that the 10,200,000 estimate of the census bureau for the total number of men within the prescribed ages would not be equalled.

The governor of South Carolina reports the state's total registration at 128,039, divided as follows: White 60,529; colored, 66,905; alien, 447; alien enemies, 58; indicated possible exemptions, 85,381. State's estimated eligibles, 137,861.

The governor of Connecticut reports the state's total registration at 159,761, divided as follows: White 97,128; colored, 2,990; alien, 58,519; alien enemies, 1,126; indicated possible exemptions, 61,590. State's estimated eligibles, 158,287.

## FEWER MEN WILL BE ACCEPTED FOR NEXT CAMP

Washington.—Only about 15,000 men will be trained in the second series of eight officers' training camps to be held from August twenty-seventh to November twenty-sixth, Adjutant General McCain announced. Forty thousand entered the first series of camps, but the war department has reduced the number for the fall encampments in hope of obtaining older and more experienced men.

## PERSHING AND STAFF ARRIVE IN EUROPE

AMERICAN COMMANDER ON HIS WAY TO FRONT IN FRANCE.

## RECEIVE HONORS IN LONDON

Voyage Across Atlantic Was Entirely Uneventful.—Not Generally Known That Party Had Left American Shores.

London.—Headed by Maj. Gen. John J. Pershing, its commander, the first representatives of the American army that is to enter the European war, disembarked at a British port after an uneventful voyage of ten days on board the White Star liner Baltic. The party was received with full military honors, and immediately entrained for London where it arrived in the afternoon and was welcomed by the Earl of Derby, the minister of war; Viscount French, commander of the British home forces and the American officials.

General Pershing's personal staff and the members of the general staff who will perform the preliminary work for the first fighting force number fifty-seven officers, and are accompanied by about fifty privates and a large civilian clerical force.

The American residents of London and various British organizations have prepared an extensive program of entertainment for the American party, but it is doubtful if much of it will be carried out, as General Pershing, before being informed of the plans, expressed a desire that there be a minimum of anything in the nature of a celebration of a social character. The entire contingent devoted itself to the hardest kind of work of an organizing nature throughout the journey.

## SAN SALVADOR DESTROYED BY VIOLENT EARTHQUAKE.

Casualty List Not Very Heavy.—Quake Followed by Flow of Lava.

San Juan del Sur, Nicaragua.—San Salvador, Santecla and neighboring towns and villages were destroyed in an earthquake which commenced at seven o'clock in the evening and continued through the night, according to information received here from the president of Nicaragua.

The president's message says: "Telegraphic communication is just re-established with San Salvador and confirms that earthquake commenced at seven o'clock yesterday afternoon (Thursday) and continued all night, accompanied by a heavy rain."

"San Salvador, Santecla and neighboring towns and villages were destroyed. The casualties were small."

There were some fires. The president of Nicaragua has telegraphed the president of Salvador offering aid. He has ordered the organization of relief committees to send help to the suffering and the homeless.

A report received from San Miguel says San Salvador was destroyed, only one hundred houses left standing. Strong earthquakes, the report says, were followed later by lava and boiling water.

## RUSSIAN WOMEN TO FIGHT IN THE TRENCHES.

Petrograd, via London.—Two hundred school students of the Petrograd Technical school have entered their names on the rolls of a fighting unit which is being raised in the Butchikareff. The aim is to start for the front as soon as all respects under the same conditions as men.

Scores of girls and women to fight, appeared at the League of Equal Rights which has expressed interest in the women warriors have a meeting. They were led by Colonel Popoff, of the who appealed to the women shirkers.

## BRITISH PREPARING FOR FURTHER PROBABLE

With the Messines-Wytschaete ridge in their possession, the British organized the new ground and prepared for probable further action, while throwing back German counter-attacks. Surprised by the terrific onslaught of Sir Douglas Haig's men the Germans, who lost more than 6,400 prisoners and many more killed or wounded as a result of the mine explosions and the British artillery fire, made no immediate counter-attacks.

## MORE THAN 200,000 WERE ENROLLED IN NORTH CAROLINA

COMPLETE RETURNS SHOW THAT STATE REGISTERED MORE THAN ESTIMATED.

Raleigh.—With complete returns from all the counties as to the official figures in the registration for the selective army draft, the returns show gains over the government estimate, which was 187,930. The complete returns show a total registration of 200,032.

The registration by counties is as follows:

County	White	Negro
Alamance	1905	615
Alexander	735	60
Alleghany	453	12
Anson	1030	1056
Ashe	1437	23
Avery	760	29
Beaufort	1450	1095
Bertie	776	942
Bladen	714	644
Brunswick	644	452
Buncombe	3914	1137
Burke	1422	289
Cabarrus	2440	624
Caldwell	1410	288
Camden	1410	283
Carteret	272	197
Caswell	577	438
Catawba	2098	254
Chatham	209	592
Cherokee	975	38
Chowan	420	474
Clay	1423	474
Cleveland	2011	387
Columbus	1586	773
Craven	1123	1334
Cumberland	1532	1071
Currituck	416	214
Dare	308	95
Davidson	2280	367
Davis	1079	120
Duplin	1467	1029
Durham	2452	1372
Edgecombe	1238	1708
Forsythe	1837	313
Franklin	997	1043
Gaston	3083	731
Gates	434	374
Granville	1008	926
Greene	657	601
Guilford	4800	1769
Hallifax	1510	2012
Harnet	1512	545
Haywood	1996	82
Henderson	1071	201
Hertford	469	728
Hoke	359	492
Hyde	406	260
Iredell	2141	583
Jackson	1024	45
Johnston	2808	975
Jones	357	299
Lee	652	267
Lenoir	1213	1063
Lincoln	1117	126
Macon	935	43
Madison	1438	48
Martin	798	679
McDowell	1076	189
Mecklenburg	1410	751
Mitchell	794	7
Montgomery	881	238
Moore	975	490
Nash	2067	1823
New Hanover	210	223
Northampton	746	192
Onslow	776	417
Orange	1029	462
Pamlico	530	415
Pasquotank	785	557
Pender	571	487
Perquimans	448	496
Person	820	505
Pitt	1742	1836
Polk	498	114
Randolph	1844	231
Richmond	1355	978
Robeson	2497	1502
Rockingham	2238	734
Rowan	2568	916
Rutherford	1818	288
Sampson	1796	941
Scotland	603	835
Stanly	2083	697
Stokes	1390	140
Suwanee	2007	960
Taylorsville	903	12
Transylvania	712	46
Union	342	113
Van Duse	200	299
Warren	1000	1000
Washington	1000	1000
Wayne	1000	1000
Wilkes	1000	1000
Yadkin	1000	1000
Wilson	1000	1000
Yancey	1982	16
Charlotte	2813	1621
Winston-Salem	2334	2755
Wilmington	1440	1188