

Engineer Reserve Units Being Formed; Colonel J. H. Pratt Commanding

Maj. Oscar O. Kuentz, of Wilmington, is Executive Officer of Regiment and Four Auxiliary Battalions; Many Vacancies Among Reserve Officers and Non-Com. Personnel.

Organization of the 355th Engineers' regiment and four auxiliary battalions is gradually assuming skeleton form, with Col. Joseph Hyde Pratt, commanding officer of the regiment, and Maj. Oscar O. Kuentz, of Wilmington, executive officer.

Many vacancies still exist among the reserve officers and non-commissioned officers, and Major Kuentz has enlisted the support of the various American Legion posts throughout the state, to assist in perfecting the organization of the organized reserve forces of the United States army in North Carolina.

The headquarters of the reserve regiment are located at Chapel Hill, where Colonel Pratt is stationed, and Maj. W. L. Simpson, commanding the 748th Engineer battalion, maintains headquarters at Durham.

No commanding officers have yet been selected for the following outfits: 795th Engineer battalion, 924th Engineer battalion, and 856th Engineer battalion, and these units, with the

748th Engineer battalion, together with the 355th Engineers regiment, will constitute the organized engineers reserve forces of the United States army for general service in North Carolina.

The enlisted reserve corps shall consist of persons voluntarily enlisted therein for a period of three years, except in the case of persons who served in the army, navy, or marine corps at some time between April 6, 1917, and November 11, 1918, who may be enlisted for one-year periods and who, in time of peace, shall be entitled to discharge within 90 days if they make application therefor.

Enlistments shall be limited to persons eligible for enlistment in the regular army who have had such military or technical training as may be prescribed by regulations of the secretary of war. All enlistments in force at the outbreak of war, or entered into during its continuation, whether in the regular army or the enlisted reserve corps, shall continue in force until six months after its termination unless sooner terminated by the president.

The organized reserve forces are regarded as the foundation on which the national defense act rests, and unless this foundation is properly prepared, through organization and later training of reserve outfits, the entire scheme for national defense in case of emergency might fail.

Any and all persons interested in the formation of the organized reserve forces are requested to communicate with Major Kuentz, at the United States district engineers' office, customhouse, Wilmington.

Major Kuentz has issued letters to

practically every legion post in North Carolina, soliciting support in the movement to organize the reserves, and he is already receiving assurances of hearty co-operation and support from various parts of the state.

EXERCISES TODAY AT FORT FISHER

58th Anniversary of Its Capitulation Will Be Observed Appropriately.

Commemorative of the 58th anniversary of the capitulation of Fort Fisher, impressive exercises will be conducted at the fort this afternoon at 3 o'clock. Maj. W. A. Graham, superintendent of public instruction, will be the principal speaker.

Members of Cape Fear camp, United Confederate Veterans, No. 254, and all veterans of the war of '61, are cordially invited to attend the celebration. All veterans are requested to assemble at the Wilmington Light Infantry armory, Fourth and Market streets, this afternoon, in order that the pilgrimage to Fort Fisher may start promptly at 2 o'clock. Automobiles will be provided to convey the veterans to the fort.

Dr. A. M. Baldwin, commander of the local Confederate veterans, will introduce Major Graham, and the opening prayer will be made by the Rev. Dr. Edwin F. Keever, chaplain of Wilmington Post No. 10, American Legion, and pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran church.

The American Legion band will furnish music and a quartet will render vocal selections.

SPECIAL MUSICAL PROGRAM AT ST. JAMES

The music at St. James' tonight will consist of the following hymns and anthems: Processional, "Saviour Blessed Saviour," Nunc Dimittis, Stainer, from Spohr; hymn, "Now from the Altar of Our Hearts," by Mark Andrews; hymn, "Bread the Wave, Christian," anthem, "Light of the World Our Way Shines Bright," by Louis Adolph Coerne, Recessional hymn, "From the Eastern Mountains." Strangers are especially and cordially invited to this evening service.

NOTICE TO MARINERS
Dividing front beacon Nos. 1 and 2, common to range No. 1 and 2 in marsh, west side of Cumberland island, on the inside route of the Cumberland river, Florida, are reported down, according to a notice to mariners issued by H. L. Beck, superintendent of lighthouses. The beacons will be rebuilt at an early date.

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The above is part of an advertisement that appeared in last Sunday's Star over the name of a local service grocery. If you want to get the name, just refer to the Star of January 7.

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