

Recruits For Infantry Urgently Desired--A Hurry Call Sent Out

Practically Every Important Station Received Instructions to Make Extra Effort to Secure Infantry Recruits for the United States Army.

Some of The Officer to Remain Open All Night And Day--Many Solicitors to Be Put to Work to Get the Desired Number of Men.

By Associated Press. Chicago, March 23.—Two telegrams from the war department in Washington were received at the headquarters of the Chicago recruiting station yesterday urging that the officers take immediate steps to enlist the desired number of recruits.

The order of adjutant general, "Adjutant General," was telephoned to the recruiting stations with instructions to make hand bills in all the districts immediately when a telegram was received from the adjutant general.

Every effort to procure recruits for the infantry without delay, if necessary open day and night.

Officers were ordered to procure the thousand more of these bills to be distributed throughout Chicago today.

Atlanta Gets Orders. Atlanta, Ga., March 23.—The United States army recruiting office here, in charge of Lieutenant John Symington, has received instructions from the war department to use every effort to secure recruits for the infantry.

Soldiers Convey Territory. Nashville, Tenn., March 23.—Carrying telegraphic instructions from the adjutant general's office in Washington, many recruits in Washington are today canvassing the surrounding territory to secure recruits.

Recruits Sent to the Front. Savannah, Ga., March 23.—Acting adjutant general in his territory for the United States army, Captain H. C. Williams, the recruiting officer here, will send the recruits to the front.

Americans Sentenced. San Antonio, Texas, March 23.—John Hamilton Dignowity, well known here as "Old Dignowity," and three other Americans have been sentenced under a Mexican court martial for participation in the insurrection.

Trouble Over Citizenship for Woman of Macon. Macon, Ga., March 23.—Mrs. Alice Houseman, who came to Macon from Germany, and who is a native of that country, this morning filed an application with United States Commissioner L. M. Erwin to be declared a citizen of the United States.

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Carried Eleven Men in Aeroplane. Douai, France, March 23.—Aviator Louis Breguet made a record performance today when he carried eleven passengers in his monoplane a distance of two miles.

A Stubborn Fine In New York

By Associated Press. New York, March 23.—Firemen encountered unusual difficulties in fighting an early morning fire on John street, in the downtown financial district today. The fire was in a basement compartment beneath the twenty foot sidewalk of a tall office building. The sidewalk of glass and iron was a red hot griddle when the firemen arrived and entrance to the basement could be effected only by crossing the sidewalk.

Volunteers were called for, who hopped across the hot iron and wrenched off the cellar door with crowbars while the leather of their heavy shoes sizzled and smoked. Then they retreated with blistered feet and a flood of water was pumped into the opening.

The building was filled with smoke and the blaze looked threatening for a time but the damage did not exceed \$5,000.

ABLE TO HANDLE SPINAL MENINGITIS. By Associated Press. New York, March 23.—"With the present facilities of detection, prompt isolation and serum treatment of every case of cerebro-spinal meningitis, the country is well armed against the possible invasion of this disease.

Commissioner Lederle, of the department of health, has issued this statement to assure the public that there is practically no danger of the disease now epidemic in Greece obtaining a foothold here through immigrants.

The "Time Lock" Divorce Law. Santa Barbara, Cal., March 23.—Mrs. F. G. Clemmens, of Poitsville, Pa., as the result of mistaken identity, yesterday received attentions intended for Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt.

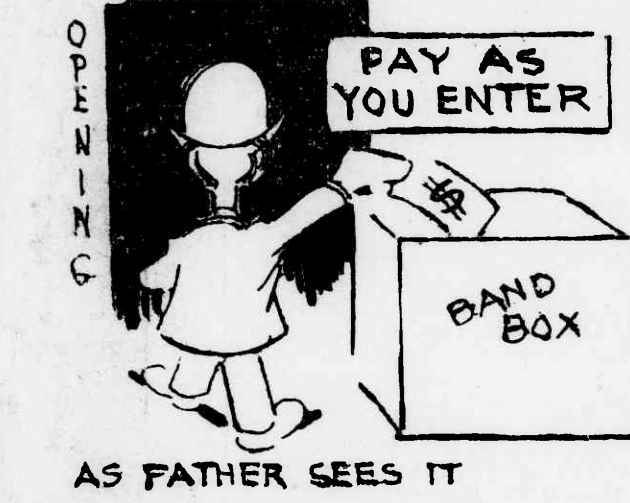
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Nothing in the Fifty-Sixth. Albany, N. Y., March 23.—The 56th joint ballot for United States senators today resulted in no choice and no material change in the balloting.

Sheehan Won't Talk. New York, March 23.—At the office of William F. Sheehan it was reiterated this afternoon that Mr. Sheehan had nothing to say on the senatorial situation, and that he would not withdraw.

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APROPOS THE MILLINERY OPENINGS.

Rapid Transit Co., To Begin Work At Once On Its Line

When these negotiations came to a sudden end this week, Mr. Chatham was left, so it was stated on the streets, with no alternative save to begin work on the line or forfeit the franchise.

Beginning at Elizabeth Heights, through Colonial Heights and thence to the Chatham property and near the Country Club, Mr. Chatham has until the first of April to act, under his franchise for the Charlotte Rapid Transit Company.

What seems to be an assured fact is the building by Mr. Paul Chatham, who now holds a franchise from the city, of an electric line extending from Elizabeth Heights, through Colonial Heights and thence to the Chatham property and near the Country Club.

From other sources it was ascertained that the Piedmont Traction Company wanted to build the extension, if there should be any extension of the lines of street railway, from the terminus of the Belmont line to the terminus of the North Carolina line.

When the clerk greeted Mrs. Clemmens as Mrs. Roosevelt she immediately assumed the part in a spirit of fun and during the hundred mile journey the clerk was very attentive.

Each had his father's revolver and forty rounds of ball cartridges, campaign clothing, toilet articles, other "field equipment," a determination to do or die (that is, when they started), and a war fund. This last named consisted of 94 cents.

The patriots, who sought to cleave their way with gory steel through tyrant armies to the sunlit heights of liberty were Frank Hitchens, 13 years old and Clark Peters and Blaine Hayes, each 14 years old.

Desperate Struggle for Life. Galena, Kas., March 23.—His tightly clenched fingers, from which the flesh had been torn by the frantic struggles, gave evidence of the desperate struggle for life of Martin Fieandt, a zinc miner, here yesterday, who was drowned in the water at the bottom of an abandoned mine.

Man Found On Streets Dies In Ala. Hospital. Decatur, Ala., March 23.—An unknown man, who was found in an unconscious condition on the street here yesterday, died at the hospital late last night.

Charleston's First Game. Charleston, S. C., March 23.—The first opportunity to see the Charleston team of the South Atlantic League is offered this afternoon when the Philadelphia Americans, champions of the world, in the first of a series of three games, Connie Mack did not accompany the major leaguers here.

Frank to Lead Fight. Savannah, Ga., March 23.—Rev. Rockwell S. Brant, pastor of the Independent Presbyterian church, has consented to lead the fight in Savannah against the Sunday delivery of mail at the postoffice.

Seniors Instruct Schools. Charleston, S. C., March 23.—Regular teachers having gone to the State Teachers' Convention, at Columbia, a number of seniors of the Memminger Normal School were today assigned to instruct classes in the graded schools.

WOMAN EXAMINED IN TRIAL OF CAMORRISTS

Viterbo, Italy, March 23.—Maria Stendardo, at whose home, the state alleged, the assassins washed their hands of the blood of the Cuocoello, was examined by President Bianchi at the trial of 36 Camorristi.

The charge against her is complicity in the murders and receiving stolen goods.

In the course of the interrogations the accusation was made that she had bribed witnesses to testify falsely in aid of the defendants. This she denied, asserting that on the contrary the carabinieri had offered to pay her \$12 for each witness whom she secured to sign a statement prepared by them.

Maria Stendardo, whose defense was a general denial of the charges, is under middle age and retains much of the beauty that in youth resulted in many conquests in the poorer class among whom she was born, and later made her a woman of ease and of influence both in the Camorra and in the internal life of Naples.

This Maria emphatically denied, insisting that it was another instance of manufactured evidence.

Fernando de Matteo, accused of having lured Cuocoello to his death, was also questioned today. The particular charge against him is that he induced Cuocoello to visit a lonely spot on the outskirts of Torre Del Greco, on the pretext that they were to meet to organize a burglary at the home of Commander Roggi Romano.

New Customs Rule Is Approved. Washington, March 23.—Secretary MacVeagh has approved a new customs ruling which the treasury department expects will do much to reduce the troubles of returning tourists from Europe and minimize attempts to smuggle personal belongings into the port of New York.

Drilling at Fort Crockett. Galveston, Texas, March 23.—Drilling was resumed at Fort Crockett today after a few days enforced idleness as the result of the heavy rain yesterday morning.

Bloodhounds on Trail. Columbus, Ohio, March 23.—Bloodhounds from Lancaster were taken to Gahanna this morning to attempt to trace the five robbers who early today dynamited the postoffice safe and secured a small amount of money and \$75 worth of stamps.

Johnson Improving. Cleveland, O., March 23.—The condition of former Mayor Tom L. Johnson, who has been in a dangerous state for the last ten days from cirrhosis of the liver, continues to improve.

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Great Suffering Is Reported From The Scene Of Warfare

Question as to United States Authority Brought Up by Stopping Provisions—Mexicans Reported to Have Fired on American Troops.

Famine Threatened in Sinaloa State—Women and Children Taken to Mines For Protection Against Mexican Raiders—Fighting Reported.

Washington, March 23.—The reported firing upon United States soldiers at Preidio, Texas, by Mexican troops because the former stopped the exportation of provisions to Mexico, has raised the question in the minds of officials here as to the possibility of the American authorities having exceeded their authority in enforcing the neutrality laws.

The state department holds that the shipment of provisions and even arms and ammunition traveling in the ordinary process of commerce is perfectly legitimate.

Other departments of the government interested in enforcement of the neutrality laws—treasury justice and war—have been advised of the state department's views in the matter. All these administrative officers, it is said in official quarters, are in harmony as to interpretation of international law on the subject.

No word has yet reached the state or war departments as regards the reported firing on American troops along the border.

Great Suffering—No Food. Cuernavaca, Sinaloa, Mexico, via El Paso, Texas, March 23.—There is great suffering in this state, the food supply having been curtailed and in some instances cut off. No farms are being planted and a condition of famine threatens, as a majority of the farmers are going into the war.

Many Americans are leaving this place. A report is current that Diego Redo, the governor, will soon resign. Redo, a young man, came from Mexico City where his father is close to Diaz.

To Protect the Women. El Paso, Texas, March 23.—Women and children throughout the region of Bughillas, Texas, are being organized at the Chisholm and Terlingua mines, where the miners can protect them from Mexican raiders until troops can reach there from Marathon. Troops left this morning, but it is a two days' march.

Hermosillo in Danger. Agua Prieta, Mexico, March 23, via Douglas, Ariz.—Juan Madero, the young insurrection leader of Cananea, with a force of 225 men yesterday reached Carbu, a Southern Pacific Railroad station northeast of Hermosillo, the capital of Sonora. He had been in Puc Puc the day before, where he received voluntary contributions of clothing, money and provisions.

A fire believed here that Hermosillo is in immediate danger of assault by rebels. Gen. Lorenzo Torres has returned from Torin with nearly a thousand men which, added to the 300 garrisoning the city, gives an adequate force for the protection of the capital.

Diaz Must Step Down. New Orleans, March 23.—President Diaz must step down before peace can come to Mexico. This is the declaration of Captain Shribourne J. Hopkins, of Washington, attorney for the Madero insurrectionists, who sailed from New Orleans yesterday for Guatemala City for a consultation with President Cabrera on matters concerning that government.

Cap. Hopkins emphatically denied the report, which he said emanated from Mexican official circles in Washington, that the Standard Oil Company was financing the Mexican revolution.

The Madero family alone is furnishing the money for the revolution, he said. "Hundreds of thousands have been expended by Gustavo Madero and his brother Francisco I. Madero already, and they stand ready to impoverish themselves to bring about the fall of the Diaz ring in Mexico. They were wise enough to transfer their immense fortune to foreign corporations before they embarked in the revolution. Thus they are protected from confiscation of their money and estates."

Counting all his force, Diaz has not 16,000 men that he can depend upon. The army is honeycombed with sedition and there is no such thing as a volunteer force upon which he can call. He does not dare place arms into the hands of the common people because he knows how hostile they are to him and his ministry. They do as like Lincoln any more than Diaz and it will be impossible for the minister of finance to try to bring about peace."

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Coca Cola Trial Was Resumed

Chattanooga, Tenn., March 23.—When the federal court resumed hearing of the coca cola case at 9 o'clock this morning, Dr. John W. Mallett, of the University of Virginia, was recalled. He presented analysis of coca cola compared with those of coffee and tea.

He testified "merchandise No. 5," which is the drink and found tannin derived from cocoa leaves, caffeine and bromin from coca nut. He had seen "merchandise No. 5" enter into the manufacture of coca cola syrup at Atlanta.

He declared moderate use of caffeine was a positive benefit, but excessive use would lead to discomfort and possible injury to health. Caffeine, he said, was not a habit-forming drug. During the Civil war he noticed that troops using caffeine showed greater animation and readiness for action.

A stir was created when the government's counsel asked witness if he did not know that Dr. Schaefer, of New Jersey, manufacturer of "merchandise No. 5," whose deposition was offered yesterday, came to Chattanooga Tuesday night and was secretly at the hotel when his deposition was offered.

Consul protested against the use of the word "secretly" and the matter of Dr. Schaefer's presence was excluded.

After much argument Dr. Mallett was relieved of giving the secret process in the manufacture of "merchandise No. 5," the judge ruling, however, that the government would have to have the process to determine the proportion of cocoa leaves and cola nuts in the substance, and it was finally ruled by the court, with apparent reluctance on the part of the defense, that Dr. Schaefer himself should give the facts of the secret process to consul for the government and Dr. Fuller, one of the government's chemists, but this evidence will not be given general publicity.

An Injunction Restrains Cox

Cincinnati, O., March 23.—George B. Cox's attorney gained today the point for which they have been fighting all week and obtained a temporary injunction from the circuit court restraining Judge Gorman, of the court of common pleas, from proceeding with the case against the indicted political leader.

The injunction will have the effect of staying all proceedings against Cox until the circuit court has disposed of the writ of mandamus by which he seeks to compel Presiding Judge Chas. Hunt, of the common pleas, to rule definitely whether Cox's affidavit of bias and prejudice against Gorman will operate to swear that jurist off the bench so far as the Cox case is concerned.

The Strike Situation.

Cincinnati, March 23.—The Queen & Crescent strike situation today appeared to be about the same state as on Wednesday. Vice-President Powell and General Manager Baker, of the railroad, were still in Washington conferring with President W. W. Finley. The officers of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers were in Oakland, Tenn.

In this connection the rumor has been published that they are negotiating with the firemen of the entire Southern Railway system with a view to sympathetic strike. Before he left Cincinnati, President Carter, of the Brotherhood, said: "If the strike spreads, it will not involve the entire Southern federation. Only the Southern Railway system would be involved."

Situation at Gillespie.

Gillespie, Ill., March 23.—The detachment of ten companies of the Illinois National Guard which were sent to Benld, Ill., Tuesday, after a view of the situation at Gillespie, broke camp today and returned to their homes. The miners have not reached any decision as to returning to work.

Drilling at Fort Crockett.

Galveston, Texas, March 23.—Drilling was resumed at Fort Crockett today after a few days enforced idleness as the result of the heavy rain yesterday morning. There was about an inch of mud on the drill ground, but the soldiers had three hours of vigorous exercise, drilling in company and battalion formation.

Neither the police nor the military has obtained any information to confirm the story of the soldier who reported yesterday that he had been approached by an agent of the Mexican insurrection with a proposition to desert and join Madero's army.