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EXEMPTION

The draft mill for Pitt County is now working steadily in its task of grinding out Pitt County's quota for the new National Army. Pitt County's number as revised by the Governor is 359, and to secure them 1344 men have already been summoned to appear before the local Board for examination. They are being called in batches of 224 each day, and all day long in the Court House the doctors are kept busy separating the fit from the unfit.

Of the number so far examined, about 25 per cent have been rejected because of physical disability, while about three-fourths of the others ask for exemption on various grounds. The Board will probably take up pleas of exemption this afternoon and it is estimated that by tonight probably fifty men who have not filed claims for exemption and who have passed the physical test, will be certified to the District Board as soldiers for the new army.

It is probable that a large number of claims of exemption on account of dependents will be disallowed, in accordance with the latest ruling of the Provost Marshal, who says that since a soldier receives \$30.00 per month and all expenses, if he has not been contributing more than that amount to his family each month, then he should not be exempted. In other words, a man who makes less than \$50 per month cannot claim exemption on the grounds of dependents, since he will make that much in the army.

The doctors report that many of those being examined seek to mislead them, but that their clumsy attempts at deceit are easily detected. One instance of this was a negro who said that he couldn't see the table, he couldn't see the walls, he couldn't see the street, he couldn't see anything. But when the doctor sneaked a cigarette box out of his hip pocket and made an effort to hurl it at the negro, he made a mighty dodge to get out of the way. "Eyes normal," said the doctor on the blank.

Another was so "bad" about the chest that every time the doctor put an instrument against him he would jump nearly across the room. "Normal," was his record on the examination sheet. Others would contort their bodies fantastically when ordered to hop across the room on their toes. Still others would be perfectly deaf when they were being examined for their hearing. After trying in vain to get an answer from one of them, during which he went up and shouted in the darky's face, the doctor turned to his assistant and remarked in a casual tone that he was convinced of the negro's deafness, and that they would exempt him. "You are excused, John," he said, and thereupon the subject of the examination grabbed his belongings and started to the door. Just as he was going out the doctor halted him. "Just a minute, John. How long did you say you had been deaf?" he asked in a rather low tone. "I been deaf ten years," he answered without hesitation.

"Hearing normal" was the notation on his examination blank.

THE POLITICAL POT GETS BLACK

With the news that Kitchin has attacked the Senate War Revenue Bill comes the rumor that the fiery Congressman from Scotland Neck is trimming his sails for the Senatorship of North Carolina, and will ere long launch out his boat on the uncertain sea of Senatorial politics with Simmons as his opponent. Also that the would-be governors of the State are already lining up their forces in the Capitol City, preparatory to getting their start early. All of which shows that the last thing one may expect to find in Washington is patriotism.

We have no patience with those who seek to make political capital out of the mistakes of his opponent, instead of giving him the needed help

in this time of national peril and distress. The people of the State will not stand for such tactics, and Cam. Morrison or Claude Kitchin or Max Gardner or any other would-be political leader of this State will make more headway by lending his help than by criticising an opponent who may be honestly trying to give faithful service to the community.

Defective German Aircraft Warning for America

BY WILLIAM PHILIP SIMMS,
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WITH THE BRITISH ARMIES IN THE FIELD.—(By Mail)—There's a lesson to the United States not to make haste too precipitately. The recent air battles here. The structural defects of German aircraft have been strongly illustrated of late. They were of machines hurriedly built as a result of Germany's "speeding up" of aeroplane construction. Now that America is going to hustle up and build a great fleet of such aircraft will do well to note some of the results of too much speed and not enough precaution. In one week recently seven German planes were seen literally to break up in the air, the pilots and observers being hurled to the earth below. These accidents were unmistakably the result of faulty construction. Two other Prussian bi-planes suddenly burst into flames in the view of British fighters—for no accountable reason.

Moreover, the new German planes are exceedingly vulnerable, probably due to faulty material and rush work. One British lieutenant the other day fired 40 rounds at 25 yards range—and broke the German's wings clear off. Another British fighter turned his machinegun fire at the tail of one of five Prussian machines, from a distance of 60 yards. The Boche's tail slid clear off and the machine crashed to earth. On the same day as this last incident, five British flyers attacked a fleet of Albatross scouts among the clouds. The fighters got separated shortly in the fleecy clouds and then it was every man for himself. One British captain, after driving off three Germans, hid in a cloud and awaited the fourth, whom he saw approaching. At the correct moment, the British dived out, got his enemy, and fired 58 shots. He broke the German plane completely in two. On the following day a British airmight, battling with nine planes, broke one into several pieces with a few shots, and then saw two other of his enemies burst into flames. One fell like a comet, the second burned slowly. On this second one the pilot, unable to bear the agony of the fire, leaped out. The observer, left with a pilotless machine, crawled out along the fuselage, but fell off as the plane reared and plunged. Once again, six British flyers attacked twelve enemy planes. One of the German machines burst into flames, one was crumpled by gunfire, and another just simply collapsed after 11 rounds of fire. The moral is that Americans will need the best machines and their best men against the Germans. Even

then it would be foolhardy to expect a walkover. Right now the German high command is grouping his flyers, aware of the British aerial supremacy,—just as a year ago he grouped artillery into traveling "circuses." The idea is that since the Germans are unable to maintain equality of the air everywhere along the front, they can concentrate a flying "circus" at some weak spot, at some place in the line which is threatened.

German U-Boat Intelligence Office is Located

BY ARTHUR E. MANN
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STOCKHOLM, July 11 (By Mail)—Allied secret service and intelligence officers, with the cooperation of the police of the Scandinavian countries, have recently succeeded in unearthing and dispersing a large and well organized German submarine intelligence office headquarters in Gothenburg, Sweden. In their investigations the officers discovered a naval intelligence map of the waters surrounding the British Isles and the North Sea. The water area on the map was divided into small squares, each one numbered. An elaborate code was also found for use in conjunction with this map. Messages based on this code, although apparently reading like private merchantable telegrams and cablegrams, could in reality be deciphered in accurate descriptions of Allied warships or of beligerent or neutral merchantmen. From the spy headquarters in Gothenburg, agents were sent to Scandinavian ports and attempts were made, whether successful or not, to get them into England. These agents were supplied with the code and map mentioned and were reporting to headquarters on the sailings of merchantmen. It is supposed that in some way the headquarters in Gothenburg communicated the information to German submarines at sea, probably by wireless stations hidden along the coast. One of the chief branches of the Gothenburg office was in Christiania and a Norwegian was actually engaged there to go to England on this espionage service, being supplied with the code and map in addition to process of invisible ink writing for all mail reports. Another branch was in Malmo, Sweden. It is believed that many of the agents of the German spies in Gothenburg were Scandinavians. At about the same time of the discovery of the Gothenburg office, a German giving the name of Klein was arrested in Sweden, charged with a plot to murder British Ambassador Buchanan in Petrograd. Klein was afterward released but deported from Sweden.

SHOP TALKS

The Fashion wants to sell you some of their specials this week. Look up their ad.

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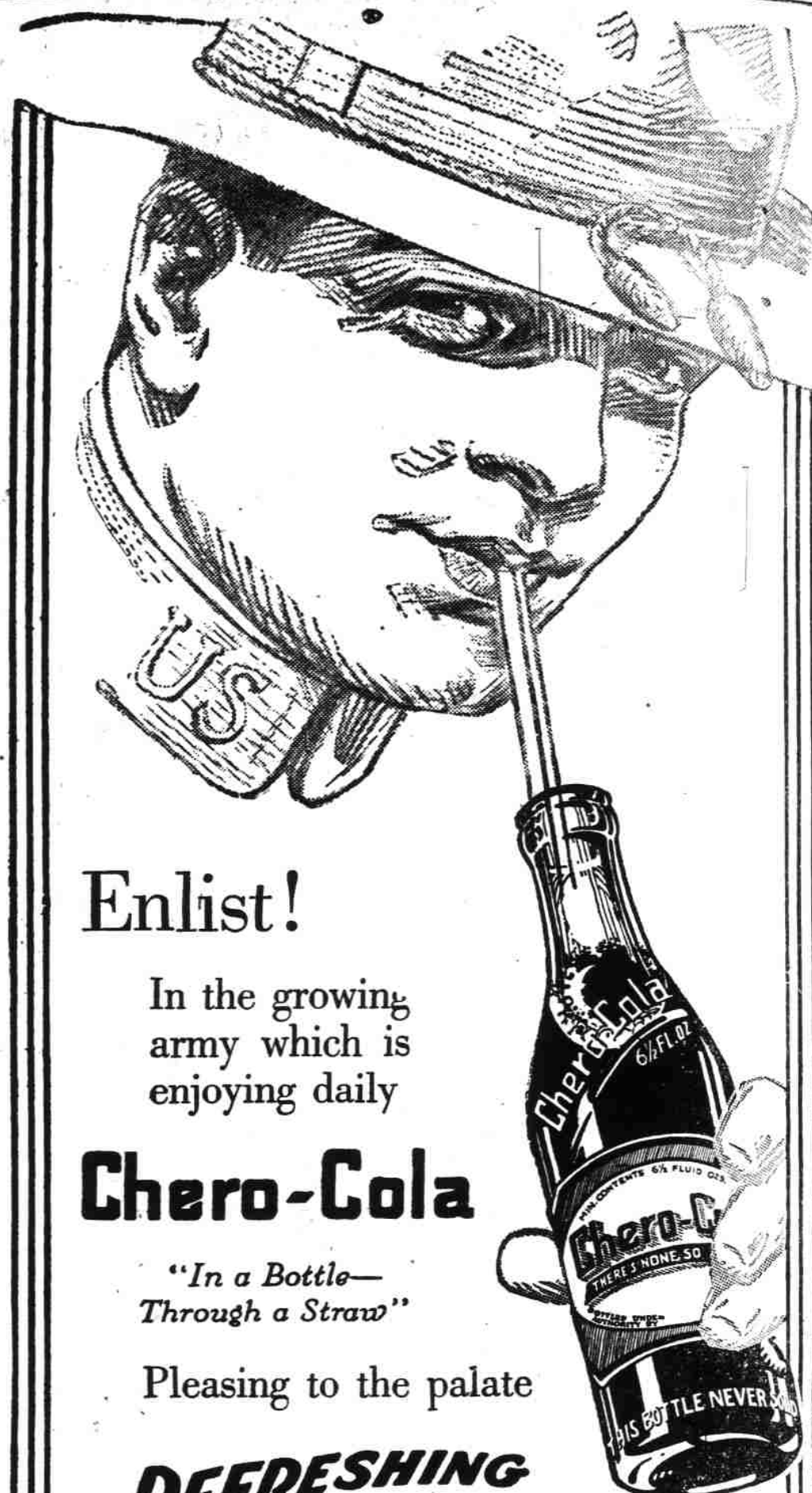
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