

HOOVER IS BLAMED FOR SUGAR FAMINE

FIRST AMERICAN AVIATOR FALLS A VICTIM OF GERMAN ADVERSARY

(By United Press)
PARIS—Lieutenant Benjamin Walcott, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. Walcott of Washington, D. C., fell during the first air fight last Tuesday, and it is believed that he was killed.

According to word received here young Walcott was brought down by an adversary in their first aerial encounter.

He was returning to his lines when three German machines attacked him from the rear and his machine was soon to fall.

Lieutenant Harold Wright, of the American Aviation service, destroyed a German Sausage Balloon on Thanksgiving day. He disregarded the German anti-aircraft guns and swooping down poured a stream of lead into the machine. One of his shoots exploded the gas bag.

Lieutenant Walcott entered the aviation service last June following his graduation from Princeton University. He was commissioned a Lieutenant last August.

GIRL WORKERS WEAR MASKS



When working in a cotton fumigating plant at Bush terminal, Brooklyn, girls have to wear masks for protection against poison gas used in the process. All cotton shipped into port is fumigated with deadly gas.

Christmas Tree For Mill People

There will be a Christmas tree in the school house at the Cotton Mills on Christmas night. All wishing to contribute can contribute either useful gifts, toys for the children, provisions, fruits or candy. A basket of native contributions will be placed at the stores of W. H. Johnson, Maguire & Son, Beach and Taylor and John Smith. Those wishing to give money will please send to Miss Lill Wilson, on Deacon Avenue.

It is hoped that this appeal will be responded to liberally. The mill people after the days' work for necessities is over, have not the time or opportunity to supply the little "extras" so dear to the hearts of all children and without which no child is truly happy at Christmas. Therefore, you who keep your hearts warm at this beautiful season of giving, please remember the mill people.

RED CROSS WORK

The following cablegram, received from the Paris Headquarters of the American Red Cross, today, makes plain why, through one of its many activities, Americans are gaining the gratitude of the French people.

"Every day French mutilated—wounded soldiers who have either lost arms or legs—gather at American Red Cross Headquarters seeking assistance in securing either artificial arms or artificial legs. The ones given by the Red Cross are the best and most practical that can be obtained.

"These crippled men typify the true spirit of France sacrificed. They never complain about their misfortune, but are profuse in their thanks for assistance. A French soldier who hobbled on two wooden legs the other day received artificial legs which enabled him to stand upright without the aid of a cane. After he had arrived home his mother wrote the Red Cross:

"Thank you with all my heart for what you have done for my poor mutilated soldier. Your generous and charitable help has brought back to active life an unfortunate who, without your help, would have remained in the darkest of misery. From my soul of a mother and a French woman I beg to tell the American Mothers whose sons will soon be fighting along side of our sons, that if it is their fate to be sent some day to our hospitals, we shall receive them with devoted and tender care."

HISTORIC CITY OF VENICE WILL BE DEFENDED TO THE VERY LAST

(By United Press)

WITH THE FRENCH ARMIES IN ITALY—Italy will defend Venice to the last drop of her blood.

The traditional Italian hatred for the Austrians has crystallized into a national determination not to again permit the city to succumb to the domination of Austria.

The city is being converted into an unapproachable island which is now capable of withstanding an indefinite state of siege.

Second Draft Registration to Begin Tomorrow

(By United Press)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Beginning tomorrow voluntary enlistments in the United States army, of registered men will be forbidden, except as to certain medical and dental students.

Uncle Sam will select his fighting men from the list of nine million men who on tomorrow will answer 148 searching questions the answers to which will determine his liability to military service.

The questionnaire automatically revokes all exemptions and discharges under the first draft. Failure to return his answers in seven days after he receives the questions makes the registrant liable to a year in prison. Mailing of the list by the local board constitutes legal notice to the registrant. His failure to receive it does not excuse him.

The questions are framed to draw out every bit of information that may be of value to the boards in fixing the class to which a man is to be assigned. No detail of the status of dependents, or of possible or actual outside sources of income has been overlooked.

The registrant, after filling in the inside of his questionnaire, indicates on the front of the class to which he believes he should be assigned. If the board agrees, there is no further action necessary by either party until the individual comes due for military service and is called up for physical examination. If the board disagrees and places the registrant in another class, the machinery for appeal to the district board is set in motion automatically.

Of the nine million men who will receive the lengthy questionnaire it is estimated two million will be assigned to the first class and subject to duty with the colors before any man in any other class is called.

The first class will be made up of the following:

- (A) Single man without dependent relatives.
- (B) Married man, with or without children, or father of motherless children, who has habitually failed to support his family.
- (C) Married man dependent on wife for support.
- (D) Married man, with or without children, or father of motherless children; man not usefully engaged, family supported by income independent of his labor.
- (E) Unskilled farm labor.
- (F) Unskilled industrial labor. Registered by or in respect of whom no deferred classification is claimed or made. Registrant who fails to submit questionnaire and in respect of whom no deferred classification is claimed or made.

All registrants not included in any other division in this schedule.

Legal and medical advisory boards in every community will aid the registrant in making his answers. He will indicate in what occupations he considers himself expert and from that list it is proposed to create separate groups of men trained in any particular trade or profession should the need arise for them.

The men will be divided into five classes. The fifth composed of the following will be exempted or discharged from draft.

- (A) Officers, legislative, executive, or judicial, of the United States or of State Territory, or District of Columbia.
- (B) Regular or duly ordained minister of religion.
- (C) Student who on May 18, 1917, was preparing for ministry in recognized school.
- (D) Persons in military or naval service of United States.
- (E) Alien enemy.
- (F) Resident alien (not an enemy) who claims exemption.
- (G) Person totally and permanently physically or mentally unfit for military service.
- (H) Person morally unfit to be a soldier of the United States.
- (I) Licensed pilot actually employed in the pursuit of his vocation.

Member of well recognized religious sect or organization, organized and existing on May 18, 1917, whose tenets or principles forbid its members to participate in war in any form, and whose religious convictions are against war or participation therein.

Advisory Boards Organizing.

Supporting affidavits of other persons must be secured by every registrant.

CHINAMEN WILL FIGHT IN AMERICAN ARMY



Quite a number of Chinese residents of the United States are in the National army and are expected to make fine soldiers. These two, now at Camp Upton, are typical of the Orientals who have responded to the draft.

(A) Man with dependent children (not his own) but toward whom he stands in relation of parent.

(B) Man with dependent, aged or infirm parents.

(C) Man with dependent, helpless brothers or sisters.

(D) County or municipal officer.

(E) Highly trained firemen or policemen, at least three years in service of municipality.

(F) Necessary Custom House clerk.

(G) Necessary employe of United States in transmission of the mails.

(H) Necessary artificer or workman in United States armory or arsenal.

(I) Necessary employe in service of United States.

(J) Necessary assistant, associate, or hired manager of necessary agricultural enterprise.

(K) Necessary highly specialized technical or mechanical expert of necessary industrial enterprises.

(L) Necessary assistant or associate manager of necessary industrial enterprise.

CLASS II.

(A) Married man with children or father of motherless children, where such wife or children or such motherless children are not mainly dependent upon his labor for support for the reason that there are other reasonably certain sources of adequate support, (excluding earnings or possible earnings from the labor of the wife), available, and that the removal of the registrant will not deprive such dependents of support.

(D) Married man, without children whose wife, although the registrant is engaged in a useful occupation is not mainly dependent upon his labor for support, for the reason that the wife is skilled in some special class of work which she is physically able to perform and in which she is employed, or in which there is an immediate opening for her opening conditions that will enable her to support herself decently and without suffering or hardship.

(C) Necessary skilled farm labor in necessary agricultural enterprises.

(D) Necessary skilled industrial laborer in necessary industrial enterprise.

CLASS III.

(A) Man with dependent children (not his own) but toward whom he stands in relation of parent.

(B) Man with dependent, aged or infirm parents.

(C) Man with dependent, helpless brothers or sisters.

(D) County or municipal officer.

(E) Highly trained firemen or policemen, at least three years in service of municipality.

(F) Necessary Custom House clerk.

(G) Necessary employe of United States in transmission of the mails.

(H) Necessary artificer or workman in United States armory or arsenal.

(I) Necessary employe in service of United States.

(J) Necessary assistant, associate, or hired manager of necessary agricultural enterprise.

(K) Necessary highly specialized technical or mechanical expert of necessary industrial enterprises.

(L) Necessary assistant or associate manager of necessary industrial enterprise.

CLASS IV.

(A) Man whose wife or children are mainly dependent on his labor for support.

Asso. Charities To Hear Bickett

To the members of the Associated Charities:

The Board of Governors of the Associated Charities had planned to have the annual meeting on Sunday afternoon, to have an address by a visitor, and organize for the coming year. Since the arrangements have been made for Governor Bickett to address the citizens of Greenville on Sunday Afternoon, it has not seemed proper to have a separate meeting for the Associated Charities. Through the courtesy of the Red Cross officials, we have decided to consolidate the Associated Charities Meeting with the Red Cross Meeting. The members of the Association of the Associated Charities, together with those wishing to become members, will be asked to remain for a few minutes at the close of Governor Bickett's address at the Methodist church, and a Board of Governors will be elected for the coming year. This is very important, and I trust that the members will bear this in mind.

Respectfully,
S. B. UNDERWOOD,
Pres. Associated Charities

IN THE CITY.

Gov. Bickett of Raleigh will arrive in the City this afternoon and will be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Ficklen on Fifth street.

FOR SALE: UPRIGHT PIANO, GOOD as new, cheap. Owner leaving the State. Address "Owner," care the Daily News. 12 12 5c

White's Theatre

FRIDAY
"A GOOD FOR NOTHING HUSBAND"—farce comedy, seat sale box office Friday morning.

SATURDAY
"The Mystery of the Double Cross"—featuring, Mollie King, "Mutt and Jeff". Also two reels of good comedy.

GERMANY DESIRES WAR TO END BEFORE AMERICAN ARMY ARRIVES

HOOVER BLAMED SUGAR FAMINE

(By United Press)
WASHINGTON—Claude Spreckles today blamed the Herbert Hoover's Food Administration for the sugar famine in the United States.

He testified before the Senate sugar and coal investigation committee that the Food Administration and the American Refiners had an agreement which prevented their getting the sugar to refine.

Spreckles is the head of the Federal Sugar Refining Company of New York.

Lieu. Anderson Among the Dead

(By United Press)
WASHINGTON—First Lieutenant George M. Anderson of Alexandria, Virginia, is among the dead of the American Expeditionary forces. He died on December 9 aboard a United States Transport from Tubercular Meningitis. He was a member of the engineering corps.

EXPERT LOOKS FRESH TROOPS

(By United Press)
LONDON—Colonel Repington the Times Military expert says: "We must expect at least a half million fresh German fighters on the West front, also many more guns and air crafts, as the Russian situation and the Italian defeats have enabled the enemy to place larger forces on the French front."

PROPERTY TRANSFERS

Herbert M. Manley to Henry Sutton and wife, Falkland township, consideration \$5000.
Henry Sutton and wife to M. M. Ellis, Falkland township, consideration \$3208.
David C. Wilson to J. W. Wilson, Bethel, consideration \$25.
J. W. Wilson to David C. Wilson, Bethel, consideration \$10.
J. F. King and wife to E. L. Worthington, Greenville, consideration \$1100.
Charles J. Wilson and wife to J. B. Patrick, Bethel, consideration \$7500.
K. A. Pittman to Clarence Jackson, Ayden, consideration \$12250.
L. H. Winbourn to J. R. Nichols, Bethel, consideration \$300.
J. B. Patrick to Clarence Jackson, Ayden township \$7500.
Lewis K. Manning to J. E. Mathews Winterville, \$200.

Some Hauling

Just previous to the snow Messrs. Skinner and Flanagan were hauling two tons of hay to Falkland per load and 200 feet of dry inch boards to Farmville per load. This feat was accomplished by their two Selden trucks. Due to the bad weather they were compelled to stop temporarily.

PROTRACTED RUSSIAN CIVIL WAR LOOKED FOR BY THE OBSERVERS

(By United Press)

LONDON—Russia is now in for a protracted civil war is the opinion of the Russian observers here. The scheme has collapsed for holding the constituent assembly. This is the condition of affairs as reported by the last dispatches received from Petrograd.

The best hope has been removed that the nation might work out its own destiny by an amicable adjustment of its affairs through the political factions. Only a handful of the delegates to the assembly have so far appeared at Petrograd.

The Bolsheviks is becoming more ruthless in its effort to retain power, according to advices received from Petrograd, which is a further factor in the belief that the Russians of that country are antagonistic to the Bolshevik factions and that they are not likely to surrender the lives of those attending the assembly held in the city, which is the Bolshevik's main stronghold.

The Bolsheviks-Cossock revolt today is apparently becoming stronger.

HOOVER BLAMED SUGAR FAMINE

(By United Press)
LONDON—German's advertised forthcoming front drive is preliminary to another peace offer. In this offensive she hopes to achieve a dent somewhere on the Franco-British lines.

Germany wants to claim invincibility of her military power with her people, so as to stem them over the overwhelming sacrifices that are inevitable and must come when America throws her strength into the battle line.

Germany desires that the war shall end before America's millions of men and machine guns be arrayed against her and turn the tide which means her certain defeat.

A tremendous increase in the German peace propaganda has been noticed recently. Germany is now at the summit of her strength, and every hour from now on it oozes away.

Lieu. Anderson Among the Dead

(By United Press)
WASHINGTON—First Lieutenant George M. Anderson of Alexandria, Virginia, is among the dead of the American Expeditionary forces. He died on December 9 aboard a United States Transport from Tubercular Meningitis. He was a member of the engineering corps.

EXPERT LOOKS FRESH TROOPS

(By United Press)
LONDON—Colonel Repington the Times Military expert says: "We must expect at least a half million fresh German fighters on the West front, also many more guns and air crafts, as the Russian situation and the Italian defeats have enabled the enemy to place larger forces on the French front."

PROPERTY TRANSFERS

Herbert M. Manley to Henry Sutton and wife, Falkland township, consideration \$5000.
Henry Sutton and wife to M. M. Ellis, Falkland township, consideration \$3208.
David C. Wilson to J. W. Wilson, Bethel, consideration \$25.
J. W. Wilson to David C. Wilson, Bethel, consideration \$10.
J. F. King and wife to E. L. Worthington, Greenville, consideration \$1100.
Charles J. Wilson and wife to J. B. Patrick, Bethel, consideration \$7500.
K. A. Pittman to Clarence Jackson, Ayden, consideration \$12250.
L. H. Winbourn to J. R. Nichols, Bethel, consideration \$300.
J. B. Patrick to Clarence Jackson, Ayden township \$7500.
Lewis K. Manning to J. E. Mathews Winterville, \$200.

Some Hauling

Just previous to the snow Messrs. Skinner and Flanagan were hauling two tons of hay to Falkland per load and 200 feet of dry inch boards to Farmville per load. This feat was accomplished by their two Selden trucks. Due to the bad weather they were compelled to stop temporarily.

PROTRACTED RUSSIAN CIVIL WAR LOOKED FOR BY THE OBSERVERS

(By United Press)

LONDON—Russia is now in for a protracted civil war is the opinion of the Russian observers here. The scheme has collapsed for holding the constituent assembly. This is the condition of affairs as reported by the last dispatches received from Petrograd.

The best hope has been removed that the nation might work out its own destiny by an amicable adjustment of its affairs through the political factions. Only a handful of the delegates to the assembly have so far appeared at Petrograd.

The Bolsheviks is becoming more ruthless in its effort to retain power, according to advices received from Petrograd, which is a further factor in the belief that the Russians of that country are antagonistic to the Bolshevik factions and that they are not likely to surrender the lives of those attending the assembly held in the city, which is the Bolshevik's main stronghold.

The Bolsheviks-Cossock revolt today is apparently becoming stronger.

Still Quite Ill.

The friends of Mrs. N. O. Warren, wife of Mr. N. O. Warren, cashier of the Greenville Banking and Trust Company, will regret to learn that she continues quite ill at her home, corner of Fifth and Greene Streets. Mrs. Warren is one of Greenville's most popular ladies and the entire community wishes her a speedy recovery to her accustomed health.