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## RACE BETWEEN STATES TO COMPLY WITH DRAFT

Men Being Called Before E. State Library  
tion Boards in Some Regions--When Man's Name is Posted He is Subject to Military Law--No Second Draft This Year.

Washington, July 25.—The race between states for the honor of being first to call their quotas under the selective draft bill was on today, in earnest. Calling up for physical examination began today in some regions.

Meanwhile details of the machinery for actually calling the men into service and sending them to their organization camps is being worked out. Provost Marshal General Crowder has already ruled that the army attaches a man as soon as the board summons him for examination.

From that time on he will be subject to the military law and the penalties of war. Failure to appear will bring the forces of the provost marshal general in search of the missing man and he will be tried by court martial.

It appears probable that the actual men will be first assembled at their selective board headquarters. The distribution in the 16 departments, General Crowder said today, would be assigned as far as possible with troops from their own states and in training camps set at hand to avoid extra expense.

No information has reached General Crowder indicating that there will be a need to summon a second draft in addition to the 687,000 men now called for during the present year. Estimates to cover expenses during the second increment have been made, it is pointed out, because all these expenditures must be ready if the funds must be actually on hand when the call is made.

A SUMMER DAY PLEASES AUDIENCE

With Miss Clarissa Abernethy taking the role of Summer, the presentation of "A Summer Day" at the Academy of Music Tuesday night by the kindergarten class of Mrs. H. D. Abernethy was thoroughly enjoyed by an audience that should have been much larger. With the exception of Miss Clarissa the cast consisted of little tots and what they lacked in histrionic ability they made up in enthusiasm.

The setting and costumes were lovely and the little maids and lads, representing various insects and birds in Fairyland, applied themselves to the task of giving pleasure in a way that won applause. Probably Margaret Abernethy, as the Fairy Queen, was brighter light in a constellation of little folks, but it is hard to name an individual from a company that was so delightful to the eye. Donald Warlick as Chalcid, with gusto, and Barry Blackwater as Grasshopper Green, had a big run on the line. As the good Miss Frances Ferguson was good. The Windmill chorus, in which the children sang, was one of the best bits in the whole performance. Ida Belle Timberlake, as Little Pansies, also was sweet, but then all the little ones were adorable.

The audience enjoyed every minute of the play, and what is more to the point, the little folks who rendered it derived their share of fun from it.

SEVERAL THOUSAND BRITISH SUBJECTS HAVE ENLISTED

New York, July 25.—Brig. Gen. W. A. White in charge of British recruiting in the United States said today that the work of his mission recently had resulted in the enlistment of more than 4,800 British subjects, of whom 3,800 had been sent to Canada.

General White said it was hoped that 25,000 recruits would be obtained in the west during the next few months and an equal number in the east.

## LOCAL COMPANY ANSWERS TO MUSTER

Members of Company A, Hickory, fell into their places at the army at 10 o'clock this morning in accordance with the orders of the war department and, like the other units of the national guard, began the first stages of their preparation for the war in France. It will be several days before the muster roll is completed and in the meantime the men will take it easy. By Friday, Captain Huffman expects to have the men, most of whom now are rookies, doing drill work in Hickory and the campaign of preparation will be pushed before the company leaves for Greenville.

Federal mustering officers may not be here for several days. In the meantime Captain Huffman and Lieutenants Cline and Gilley, the latter expected here shortly, will have plenty to do in making tabulations and assigning positions.

The men scattered for dinner today, but the mess hall will be in operation by night and the soldiers will be rationed there.

With a nucleus of seasoned veterans, the officers are counting on rounding the company into shape in short order. There is not a man who served on the border that cannot drill the recruits. The company, however, is over-full and it may be necessary, after the examinations are made, to transfer some of the recruits to other organizations.

BIRTHS IN HICKORY FOR LAST SIX MONTHS

There were 66 births in Hickory during the first six months of the year, according to statistics compiled by Mr. C. E. Keever, vital statistics registrar, and forwarded to the state board of health at Raleigh. Of this number 27 are boys and 39 girls. In Hickory township outside of Hickory there were 60 births, an equal number of boys and girls. This gives for the city and township a total of 126 births, in which the boys have a majority of four.

NATIONAL ARMY UNITS WILL BE SMALLER THAN ANTICIPATED

Washington, July 25.—Secretary Baker confirmed that in pursuance of suggestions growing out of the conferences of American army officers with Generals Joffre and Bridges, tactical units of the national army will be organized on the basis of about 16,000 men each in place of 24,000.

Generals Joffre and Bridges explained that the smaller and more mobile division used in European armies had proved highly satisfactory. Cooperation of the American army with those now fighting in Europe would be simplified, they declared, if the divisions were reduced.

Only minor changes in the lesser units will be made, their personnel of rank remaining virtually the same.

By the Associated Press

Washington, July 24.—The senate today again debated the \$27,000,000 rivers and harbors bill with the prospects that it would be displaced tomorrow by the war tax bill.

ICE CREAM SUPPER

The Woman's Club of Minerva school will give an ice cream supper at the school house, Saturday evening, July 28. Everybody is cordially invited. Proceeds for school improvements.

Reorganization of Shipping Board Proceeds Rapidly; Colby Held up by Senators

Washington, July 25.—Reorganization of the shipping board and the emergency fleet corporation was in full swing today following President Wilson's acceptance of the resignation of Chairman Denman and Mr. General Goethals to end the board's internal row.

The senate commerce committee today recommended continuation of Edward Hurley of Chicago as the new chairman, but action was delayed on the nomination of Bainbridge

Colby for member of the board to succeed Capt. J. B. White. Senators Wadsworth and Calder of New York requested the delay. Mr. Colby has been prominent in the progressive party in New York. Administration leaders, however, expect no serious objection to his confirmation.

Acting Chairman Brent today also offered his resignation, but the president took no action on it. Mr. Brent was a supporter of Chairman Denman.

## SAY AMERICANS SANK SIX U-BOATS

By the Associated Press. Halifax, N. S., July 25.—British sailors arriving here today who claim to have been in the vicinity of American transports en route for France say they were credibly informed that German submarines made a concerted attack and were beaten off with a loss of six U-boats, only one submarine escaping.

The sailors said they were within three miles of the firing. The men were on three Dutch ships which were taken over by the British government.

EIGHTY WORKMEN DIE IN MINE EXPLOSION

By the Associated Press. Halifax, N. S., July 25.—Eighty workmen were killed today in an explosion at No. 6 mine of the Dominion Coal Company at New Waterford, N. B., according to advices received here from Sidney, Australia. Twelve bodies had been recovered at noon.

CANADA TO BORROW FROM UNITED STATES

By the Associated Press. Washington, July 25.—Secretary McAdoo has notified the Canadian minister of finance that this government has no objection to Canada's extending a short time credit of \$100,000,000 from private sources in the American markets.

FARMERS' INSTITUTES IN CATAWBA COUNTY

Farmers' institutes will be held at Terrell on Friday, August 10, and at Forbis' Store on Saturday, August 11, under the auspices of the state department of agriculture, the State College of Agriculture and Engineering and the farmers' institute committee of Catawba county. Discussion of the agricultural situation confronting the farmers will feature the institute work this summer.

Along with the institute for farmers there will be held a woman's institute under the direction of Mrs. James S. McKimmon of Raleigh, who is worth more to the state, according to Andrew Joyner of Greensboro, an old newspaper man, than a hundred politicians.

Mrs. W. A. Stone of Concord is visiting her daughter-in-law, Mrs. J. Lee Stone.

MILLION GALLONS OF GASOLINE BURNED

By the Associated Press. Philadelphia, July 25.—The fire at the Atlantic refining plant last night caused a loss estimated at \$500,000. Nearly a million gallons of gasoline were destroyed. Company officials said all the men employed with one exception had been accounted for.

MAKE ARTICLES FOR HICKORY SOLDIERS

"Housewives" for 150 soldiers, who are members of Company A, are to be made in Hickory within the next few days and Hickory women are invited to call on Mrs. J. Worth Elliott for the material, pay for it and make the caps and return them to Mrs. Elliott for distribution to the soldiers.

Each soldier will be equipped with a housewife. A soldier is his own seamstress, launderer and so on, as those who had read Kipling will recall, and he must have the things with which to do his domestic work. The housewife will have a place for toilet articles, including combs and brushes and other articles used in the preparation of the toilet.

A housewife is a piece of khaki cloth made like a cape, with places for the accommodation of the articles the soldier uses. Mrs. Elliott is having the garments cut out and those who will make them it is suggested call or send for them. It is suggested that some ladies will be too busy to make the caps, while others will not feel able to pay for one. Those who want to pay for the material and those who will be glad to make them up can do their bits, however.

## MANY FIGHTERS CALLED TO COLORS

BY the Associated Press. Washington, July 25.—The second increment of national guards was assembled at their armories today. All troops from Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New Jersey, Maryland, Delaware, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, West Virginia, Illinois, Montana, Idaho, Washington and Oregon came in under President Wilson's proclamation preparatory to mobilization at southern training camps.

The remainder of the state forces will be taken in August 5 when the draft clause of the national defense act will be applied and the guards will cease to have any state connection.

The first increment which includes the New York and Pennsylvania divisions, was called out July 15, and have been held at their armories preparatory to being sent south.

After August 5 there will be no constitutional or other legal barrier.

FIVE ARE KILLED IN U-BOAT EXPLOSION

By the Associated Press. Washington, July 25.—An explosion yesterday on Submarine A-7 at Cavite, Philippine Islands, killed five and injured three of the officers and crew.

THEODORE BRENT ALSO QUILTS BOARD

By Associated Press. Washington, July 25.—Announcement was made today at the white house that Theodore Brent, vice-chairman of the shipping board, had tendered his resignation, but that it has not been acted upon by President Wilson.

A TIME FOR PRAYER

"Let us pray." This is Wednesday and the call comes to each one to enter tonight the place where prayer is wont to be made. Tonight our boys sleep in the army tents. Yesterday they were our boys, today they are nobody's boys—they have lost their individuality and are simply units in the great multitude of a mighty army. The best thing we can do for them and ourselves is to assemble as congregations and talk to God about these things. "Let us pray." The regular prayer service will be held at the Reformed church and the pastor will talk about "A Talk With God."

J. L. MURPHY.

FOOD BILL IS SENT TO CONFERENCE

By the Associated Press. Washington, July 25.—The food control bill was sent to conference in the house today under a rule without a vote. Opposition which developed yesterday was not present today.

MARKETS

COTTON FUTURES

By the Associated Press. New York, July 25.—The cotton market had an irregular opening today with first prices 12 points higher to one lower. Good buying caused alarm among shorts and quick rallies followed with October and December higher.

The close was steady

	Open	Close
July	25.00	25.05
October	23.90	24.26
December	23.77	24.05
January	23.60	23.98
March	23.70	24.16

HICKORY MARKETS

	Open	Close
Cotton	24 1-2	
Wheat	\$2.50	

THE WEATHER

For North Carolina: Probably local thundershowers tonight and Thursday, gentle to moderate winds mostly south.

## WILL SUMMON MEN AT ONCE FOR EXAM

By the Associated Press. Washington, July 25.—Master lists of the army conscription drawing were in the hands of a number of local exemption boards today and others were on their way to other boards more distant from Washington.

Each local board on receipt of the lists is expected to summon for examination twice the number of men required of the district. Thus the work of making up the army hereafter is in the hands of civilians.

GERMANS CONTINUE PURSUIT OF RUSSIANS

By the Associated Press. Berlin, via London, July 25.—The advance of the Austro-German forces in eastern Galicia continues uninterrupted, the war office announced today.

Tarnopol has been captured and the Germans are nearing Buczacz.

GUARDSMAN FIRES AT BELGIAN PARADE

By the Associated Press. Louisville, Ky., July 25.—A sentry guarding the cantonment discharged his rifle at the parade in honor of the Belgian mission today. He had ordered the parade to stop.

The fireman fired above the heads of the occupants of the car. He was placed under arrest.

PARTY LINES DRAWN IN FOOD BILL FIGHT

By the Associated Press. Washington, July 25.—Partly lines apparently were drawn tight today in the house for the fight over the question of whether unanimous consent shall be given for sending the food bill to conference.

Today's session is the outcome of Republican Leader Mann's refusal yesterday to give unanimous consent unless a separate vote were permitted on senate amendments to create a separate board to supervise the expenditure for the war.

This caused a commotion and an early adjournment of the house.

MERCHANTS PICNIC HAS BEEN POSTPONED

"Save those chickens." The Merchants' picnic, which was booked for Thursday afternoon, has been postponed until August or until there is a chance that the weather will be more favorable. Owing to frequent rains, the probability of more downpours today and Thursday, the committee, of which Mr. L. F. Abernethy is chairman, has decided that tomorrow is not the time.

The picnic will be held later, however, and everybody is warned to be ready for it.

MORE TEACHERS FOR HICKORY SCHOOLS

The following teachers were elected Tuesday night by the city council: Miss Cornelia Miller of Lenoir, first grade B section, South school.

Miss Janie Lyerly of Hickory, second grade, South school.

Miss Marjorie Whitener overflow 3-4 at North school.

Miss Lenore Sourbeer, Mr. Arthur Moser, Miss Margaret Jones, the latter of Maryville, Tenn., for vacancies at the new high school.

Miss Mary Dorriety who had been released as second grade teacher at the South school was changed to the first grade, due to the decision of Miss Pearl Gall of Maiden not to return. Provision was also confirmed for a business department and Supt. McIntosh was authorized to make inquiry for a suitable teacher to fill this position.

These elections complete the list for the white schools, with one or two possible exceptions. The Record will publish the complete list, together with the assignments, as soon as all the details have been completed.

## RUSSIAN RETREAT STILL CONTINUES IN GALICIA

Germans Have Everything Their Way, But Petrograd Hopeful of Checking Enemy--Germans Fear Bold Stroke on Western Front and Cannot Push Offensive.

## STREET WORK IN HICKORY IS UNDER WAY

In addition to considering school matters Tuesday night, city council devoted a deal of attention to routine business and to the large amount of street work that is to be done this summer and fall. About 27,000 square yards of asphalt will be laid at a cost of approximately \$70,000. The streets that are to be paved include Seventeenth street from Thirteenth avenue to Fifteenth avenue; Trade avenue from Fourteenth street to Thirteenth street; Thirteenth avenue from Sixth to Seventeenth street, and Ninth avenue from Fifteenth street to Eighteenth street. Eleventh avenue will be widened and made a sandelay road, with sidewalks.

In addition two miles of sewer mains are being laid and citizens are ordered to connect up wherever possible.

RIOTS FOLLOWED FIRST DRAFT LAW

Sunday's New York Times contained a story of the first draft ever employed by the United States to raise soldiers. This was in 1863 and it caused widespread anger in New York city, the death of several negroes and many whites and destruction of over \$1,000,000 in property.

There were something like 14,000 persons registered in New York and of this number not a single conscript reached the front. All who were drawn managed to raise \$300 to give the government to escape military service. The treasury was enriched \$10,500,000 in this way, the men of the north not caring to face the Confederates. The present draft law, however, plays no favorites and the rich and the poor are treated alike.

The drawing in 1863 was crude. It was done by the provost marshals in the various districts of the country in full view of the men who had come to watch the wheel of fate turn out the numbers. The drawers were blindfolded then as they were last Friday, the chief difference being that the present draft was made in Washington after elaborate preparation. The men back home received the numbers over the wires instead of gathering at an office and watching the wheels turn out the names.

The first man drawn in New York was named Jones, and spectators remarked that he had many relatives throughout the country. They joked then as other men jested last Friday, and there were good laughs, dismal puns and all sorts of horseplay.

The draft was followed by riots, public opinion not being as strong then as now. The country is back of the war against Germany and a crowd of rioters in any city in the United States now would find a worse fire than on the French front.

Fire Monday afternoon called the department to Tenth avenue, where some papers piled in a barn in a house which Mr. Lafayette Shell was vacating, became ignited. It is not known what started the blaze. The damage was practically nothing.

By the Associated Press. Washington, July 25.—America's war bill for the fiscal year will total \$17,000,000,000, Senator Smoot told the senate today, instead of the \$14,226,000,000 he estimated yesterday, the increase resulting from the increase of \$500,000,000 for the shipping board, \$2,000,000,000 for the allies and \$1,000,000,000 for the executive departments.

Seven Thousand National Guardsmen Mobilized in State--New England Moves

By the Associated Press. Raleigh, July 25.—More than 7,000 national guardsmen were mobilized in North Carolina today preparatory to being drafted into the federal service. One regiment of infantry and two companies of engineers, about 1,400 men, never were discharged from the federal service after their return from the Mexican border and Adjutant General Royster said today the state would send between 8,500 and 9,000 men to the camp at Greenville, S. C., if all units were ordered there.

Many recruits are being added to the rolls. Movement of the troops will be started August 10, it is believed, if the camps are ready.

NEW ENGLAND READY

By the Associated Press. Boston, July 25.—Forty thousand national guardsmen were mobilized in the New England states today preparatory to being drafted into the federal service. Brigadier General Edwards in command of the department of the northeast said that transportation to Charlotte, N. C., already had been arranged.