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THE JURY WHEEL SYSTEM

DRAFTING OF MEN WILL BEGIN ABOUT JUNE 18.

A Board of Review Will be Established in Each Federal Judicial District.

Washington, June 11.—With practically all the reports on registration in hand, the War Department has turned its attention to the question of exemption. It was learned that the following routine has been determined upon:

1—Drafting will begin about June 18. Names will be chosen by the jury wheel system by local officials for each 30,000 of population.

2—All men whose names are drawn will be instructed to appear for physical examination before an official medical board.

3—If found physically fit the man will then be given an opportunity, if desired to present his claims for exemption. If such claim is denied by the board in the first instance he will have the privilege of appealing to the board of review, one of which will be established in each federal judicial district. Here decisions will be final, aside from a possible appeal to the president.

An Estimate.

Provost Marshal Chowder has declared he expects to secure 625,000 acceptable men out of the first 1,250,000 names drawn. This would be a loss of only about 50 per cent through exemption for both physical and industrial reasons.

Other officials—especially general staff men—believe that only one out of four can be secured at best, or nearly 3,000,000 names will have to be drawn to secure the quota of 625,000.

INTERESTED IN PACKING PLANT

Oxford Will Join With Raleigh in Fostering Enterprise.

A committee from Raleigh, composed of Judge Crawford Biggs, F. W. Mahler, John A. Parks and Edgar Womble, visited Oxford last Friday with a view of interesting the people of town and county in a meat packing plant to be established in Raleigh.

The committee from Raleigh was escorted to the Granville Commercial Club rooms, and Mr. Ben W. Parham, president of the club, presided over the meeting.

The meeting expressed itself in favor of joining with Raleigh in the enterprise. Oxford at one time considered the proposition of establishing a plant and had gone so far as to send a committee to Mountrie, Ga., to investigate packing-house conditions there. This committee, like the one from Raleigh that visited Mountrie, was convinced that packing plants and the raising of live stock is just what is needed in this section, but owing to other conditions it was decided to drop the project. Mr. C. D. Ray, in speaking about the matter stated that he thought a packing plant would be a great thing for this section and as Oxford could not get it he thought Raleigh would be an ideal location. The matter should not be considered from a selfish standpoint, and Oxford should be grateful for Raleigh for establishing it, he said.

Messrs. R. C. M. Calvert, W. H. Fleming, A. H. Powell and others also realized the value the plant would be to Granville county and were heartily in favor of co-operating with Raleigh. Mr. Parham named the following committee to secure subscriptions: W. H. Fleming, chairman; R. C. M. Calvert, T. G. Currin, M. P. Chamblee and A. H. Powell.

MRS. HARTE IMPROVES

The Community Prays For Her Complete Recovery.

The good people of the community will learn with pleasure that Mrs. J. D. Harte, who is recovering from an operation in a Richmond hospital, continues to improve. This encouraging news comes from Dr. Harte, who is at her bedside.

Mrs. Harte was a victim of the heavy floods in Western North Carolina two years ago, which impaired her health. She is a most lovable woman and the prayers of the community is that she may be restored to health.

TO ARREST SLACKERS.

Governor Bickett Telegraphs Notice of War Department to All Sheriffs.

Raleigh, June 11.—Governor Bickett today sent a telegram to the sheriff of each county as follows:

The War Department orders the arrest of every man whose duty it was to register and failed to do it. Please make a searching investigation in every precinct in your county, and if a single man fails to register according to the law report the same to the nearest United States Marshal and arrest will be made at once.

WILL PUBLISH LIST IN FULL.

All Those Who Registered in Granville County.

Judge Cam Hunt, Clerk of the Court and a member of the County Board of Registration, completed the third copy of the draft registration early Monday morning and posted it in the corridor of the court house, and in accordance with the regulations covering the draft, he also placed a complete copy in the hands of the Public Ledger for publication. It is the most accurate and neatest big job of work we have seen in many a day. It is neatly done in antique pica on foolcap and there are 1,937 names, each name occupying the space of one line. It is alphabetically arranged and each name bears a number, strating at No. 1 and ending with No. 1,937.

The list will make three full pages of the Public Ledger. We will publish it in installments beginning with the next issue. We regard it as a news item of vast importance and there will be no cost attached to its publication.

THE ANCHOR STORE.

The Big Emporium At Henderson Announces Inventory Sale.

The inventory sale announced by the Anchor Store Company at Henderson, to be put on Wednesday morning, June 13th and continue until Saturday, June 30th, is of special interest to the buying public in the surrounding counties.

The Anchor Stores Company, of which Mr. J. W. Horner, of Oxford, is the president, has a string of stores and it is the largest corporation of the kind in the State. With an abundance of capital at their command they experience no trouble in stocking their numerous stores with the best on the market.

It is a policy of the Anchor Stores Company to begin early in June to take a complete inventory of stocks and put on a special sale at prices that insure a clean sweep for the up-to-the-minute goods which are constantly arriving from the manufacturing centers.

No word of commendation is needed from the Public Ledger. The Anchor Store is a big concern and it enjoys the confidence of the buying public. The prices quoted in the announcement on the back page of this paper speak for themselves.

Bee Stings Editor

The family of the Public Ledger greatly enjoys as an abode the upper apartments in the splendid home of Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Chamblee at the corner of Gilliam and Front streets. The mansion was erected by the late lamented Lanier and remodeled by Mr. Chamblee. There is a false flue in the north chimney, in which a swarm of honey bees have settled.

Though the windows are tightly screened, an occasional bee drops in to serenade the editor. As we looked at his velvety body and sunlit rainbow wings, enhanced in beauty by a feeling of foolish tenderness surged over us. Perhaps there were baby bees at home that would starve if mama bee did not bring back honey; and how useful the little creature was, carrying the pollen from flower to flower—so we left him alone, unmolested, and as we turned away thinking these pure, sweet thoughts, the pesky thing stung the editor on his old bale pate.

Tin Cans Arrive.

A carload of tin cans is now at the Seaboard freight depot Oxford and deliveries will be made on Wednesday and Thursday of this week. If you want tin cans call at freight depot on days named.

OF NATIONAL IMPORTANCE

YOU ARE ASKED TO DO YOUR BIT.

Mayor Mitchell Requested to Lead Movement to Help Raise Hundred Million Red Cross War Fund.

Washington, June 8, 1917. Mayor Mitchell, Oxford, N. C.:

You, as highest official in Oxford, is asked by the War Council, appointed by President Wilson, to lead the movements in your community to help raise \$100,000,000 Red Cross War fund. This is a great National responsibility. Appoint committee and wire reply.

W. R. LUNK,
Sec. Red Cross War Council.

Mayor Names Committee

Upon receipt of the message Mayor Mitchell named the following committee, whose duty it is to formulate plans to meet the great national responsibility. The committee follows:

D. G. BRUMMITT,
T. W. WINSTON,
W. H. FLEMING,
J. M. FARISH,
B. K. LASSITER.

Planning for Work.

Washington authorities have asked all the newspapers to aid in raising the funds and one of the means suggested is that the names and amount of all who contribute be published. The Public Ledger recognizes the Red Cross work as being of vast importance and we are here to serve the above committee and the Granville County Red Cross Society to the best of our ability.

THE STATE REGISTRATION

MORE THAN FIVE THOUSAND ABOVE ESTIMATE.

Complete Returns From North Carolina Wired to Provost Marshal Chowder Saturday.

Complete returns from all of the counties of the State for selective draft shows a total of 200,032 which is 5,966 above the estimated registration. This total was made up of 124,699 whites, 64,700 negroes, 560 aliens, and 73 alien enemies. Possible exemptions were put down as 133,614.

So far as North Carolina is concerned this completes the registration. The next step is the drafting into the service and determining the justice of claims for exemptions which from indications appear to be heavy.

Alabama Far Short.

The Governor of Alabama reports the State's total registration at 179,828. State's estimated eligibles 214,795.

West Virginia Also Short.

The Governor of West Virginia, reports the State's total registration at 127,409. State's estimated eligibles 139,875.

Mississippi Under Estimate.

The Governor of Mississippi reports the State's total registration at 139,525. States estimated eligibles 177,076.

GRANVILLE COUNTY'S QUOTA

APPROXIMATELY TWO THOUSAND AND YOUNG MEN REGISTERED.

In the First and Second Draft of 1,125,000 Granville Will Furnish Approximately 175 Men.

Approximately 2,000 Granville young men enrolled under the selective draft registration act. In the Nation, the number is approximately ten million. The first call to the colors will be for 625,000 men, which means that in every 15 registered, one will be called.

In Granville this means that the first call will take about 100 men. The second call, which is expected to be for a half million men, will take about 75 men. Thus the two drafts, calling out 1,125,000 men will take 175 from Granville county.

—Wonder what was the matter with our good old friends Dr. Marsh and Mr. R. I. Daniel when they lost their pocketbooks and railway tickets at the reunion in Washington last week?

THIS LOOKS BAD.

Russian Troops Give Food to Germans For Wine.

Stockholm, June 11.—Prince Stanislas Lubomiski, discussing conditions on the Russo-German front yesterday, said:

The conditions are astonishing. The Germans lying in the trenches opposite the Russians set up bottles of cognac along the papapet, then put up a sign reading 'We are ready.' The Russians then make a great show at storming the trenches and return to their positions with the conac.

"Later the Russians put provisions along their own parapets with signs reading 'We are ready.' Then the Germans storm the trenches, returning home with hams, etc.

DOING FINE WORK.

The Oxford Baptist Baracca Class is a Strong Body of Men.

For genuine Christian service and good fellowship we commend the band of men that gather in a side room at the Oxford Baptist Church every Sunday morning, rain or shine. The only prerequisite to membership is a willingness to shake hands and be friendly. The handshake fosters a smile and the smile rules the world.

Though a very busy man, General B. S. Royster is seldom absent on Sunday morning. He has taught the class for several years and has never failed to get and hold the absorbing attention of every one present. His attitude is that of an ambassador sent out to impart the whole Truth. The hundred and fifty men in front of him are the judges who bear witness of the Truth. He not only searches the Scriptures and concentrates his mind on a question, but he purchases the best books of the leading authors and brings to his class the cream of thought, expressed in beautiful language. There is no compiler on the International Lesson board that brings so much inspiration to the task as does General Royster.

Despite the disturbing influence of the times, such as joy riding and the war, the class closed a most successful year last Sunday. Besides placing a number of men on a higher stepping stone, they left many a dollar here and there to relieve distress.

The incoming administration, elected last Sunday, will have to hustle if they accomplish as much as the outgoing administration. General Royster was again chosen to teach the class and it is hoped that his military duties will not interfere with the good work. In the absence of General Royster, Mr. C. O. Mainor, a new comer to Oxford and a bright Biblical scholar, will teach the class. Mr. O. B. Murray is secretary and treasurer of the class. He keeps a complete record of attendance and it is interesting to look over the books and note the names of distinguished visitors from all parts of the State who drop in to hear General Royster expound the International lesson. The other officers of the class for the ensuing term are Mr. Eugene Moss, vice-president, and Dan A. Coble, president.

THE MOVIE CALANDAR.

Delighted House See Mary Pickford in "The Pride of the Clan."

Mary Pickford, the one little bright star of the movie world, was at the Orpheum Theatre Monday night in all her glory. She will appear again this Tuesday afternoon and night in "The Pride of the Clan."

The bill for the remainder of the week is strong. For Wednesday night there will be interesting reels of the "Red Circle" and "Beatrice Fairfax" series and Pathe-News features.

Margurite Clark in a five act Paramount picture is the feature for Thursday night.

There are but two more chapters of "Gloria's Romance" series, one of which will be shown Friday night, followed by Pathe-News and comedy features.

Saturday matinee and night Charlotte Walker will be seen in a five reel patriotic drama entitled "Seven Deadly Sins," followed by Grace Cunnard and Francis Ford in "The Purple Mask."

—Those who delight in throwing bricks shouldn't expect bouquets in return.

PRESIDENT DEFINES WAR AIMS

COMMUNICATION TO NEW GOVERNMENT OF RUSSIA.

In Unmistakable Terms, Declares Against Restoration of Status Quo Before War—Wrongs Must Be Righted and Safeguards Created to Prevent Their Recurrence.

Washington, June 9.—President Wilson, in a communication to the new government of Russia, has made plain the war aims of the United States, and its position on "no annexations, no indemnities."

"No territory must change hands except for the purpose of securing those who inhabit it a fair chance of life and liberty," says the communication.

"No indemnities must be insisted on, except those that constitute payment for manifest wrongs done.

"No readjustments of power must be made, except such as will tend to secure the future peace of the world and the future welfare and happiness of its people."

In unmistakable terms, President Wilson declares against Germany's proposal to restore the "status quo" before the war.

"It was the status quo ante," he said, "out of which this iniquitous war issued forth—the power of the imperial German government within the empire and its widespread domination and influence outside of that empire.

"That status must be altered in such fashion as to prevent any such hideous thing from ever happening again."

The President's communication was delivered to the Russian government by Ambassador Francis, at Petrograd.

STOLEN JUNK

Unlawful for Dealers To Purchase From Minors.

Right here in the good old town of Oxford you can scarcely lay down a piece of brass, lead, copper or zinc and find it in the same place next morning. Mr. Jackson's saw mill was recently robbed of all the brass the thieves could lay their hands upon. All the brass that it was possible for them to lay their hands upon was recently taken from a new building in Oxford and in the game the Public Ledger lost one hundred pounds of type metal valued at \$19.00. Other cases have recently been reported from the country, which leads to the conclusion that there is an organized band of metal thieves operating in the community. The fact that metal is scarce and the demand brisk at fancy prices is an incentive for the thieves to double their activities.

We notice also that several other town in the State are infested with metal thieves. This paragraph from the Charlotte Observer will suffice:

"J. H. Bush, of the Carolina Junk company, was tried before Recorder Hamilton C. Jones Thursday morning and held for superior court upon charges of receiving stolen goods. The police charge that Busch received some automobile fixtures stolen from the Dixie Garage; some burly and twine from the Ross Bagging company, and some radiator valves from the J. H. McAdair building. The property was said to have been stolen by minors. Both the city commissioners and police are actively engaged in attempting to break up the practice of petty thievery which is said by them to be rampant among the boys of Charlotte. The police and commissioners believe that if they can remove the market that boys will no longer be tempted to break into vacant houses and steal the plumbing fixtures. There is a law which prohibits junk dealers from purchasing junk from minors."

Big Special Sale.

The big special sale of Victor Kaplon will start next Saturday. The store at the head of Main street, next to the National Bank of Granville, is full of bargains. Victor Kaplon also has big stores at Durham and Roxboro. See the third page of this paper for bargains.

—There will be a meeting of the Garden and Forestry Department of the Woman's Club, Wednesday afternoon at 5 o'clock, in the Oxford Library. As there will be an election of officers for this department and it will be the last meeting until fall, a full attendance is desired.