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ONE OUT OF EVERY THREE IS REJECTED

Out of 364 Men Who Appeared Before the Board, 103 Failed to Pass the Physical Examination.

ADDITIONAL MEN TO BE SUMMONED

Board Receives Stricter Instructions With Reference to Exempting Married Men or Those With Dependents.

Cabarrus county has so far secured through the work of the local exemption board, 54 men who passed physical examination, and did not claim exemption, out of the first 420 men summoned to appear before the board.

On yesterday's examination, 129 men were present, of whom 36 were rejected on physical examination. Of the 84 who passed, 62 claimed exemptions from various causes, leaving only 18 physically fit who did not claim exemption from those examined yesterday.

Of the 420 summoned to appear during the three days, 364 were present to take their examinations. The 56 who did not show up have several days in which to make their appearance, unless they are already in service, which is the case with quite a number of them.

A total of 261 men out of the 364 who appeared passed physical examinations satisfactorily, while there were 103 rejections, or almost one out of every three persons who were not fit for military service.

There were 207 claims for exemption made during the three days, and these will next be taken up by the board to determine how many of the claims will stand and how many will be invalid. The board has received stricter instructions with reference to exempting married men and those with dependents, and there is not a doubt but that many of the claims which have been filed when considered by the board will fail to make good.

At present, the board is not allowed to have the privilege of appeal to the district exemption boards, while claims allowed by the local board can be appealed or held by the government.

It is apparent that additional men will have to be summoned for examination in order to fill the quota of 209 men allotted to this county. The local board has not yet announced when these additional men will be called, as the cannot yet forecast how many of the exemptions will be held, and therefore do not know how many to summon. In the course of a few days, however, they will likely have another list of registrants summoned to appear.

PURCHASE WAR MATERIALS AT "REASONABLE PROFIT"

Work of Putting Into Operation the Administration's War Price Policy.

Washington, Aug. 9.—The work of putting into operation the administration's war price policy providing for the purchase of war materials for the United States and its allies on a basis of "reasonable profit," was begun at today's session of the war industries board.

Definite assurances are included in the board's program that the American public will be protected against profiteering. Preparations are being made to adopt drastic action to reduce prices in case negotiations with producers and manufacturers fail to produce results.

Rivers and Harbors Bill Becomes a Law

Washington, Aug. 9.—The rivers and harbors bill appropriation of approximately \$27,000,000, became a law today with President Wilson's signature.

Mrs. R. H. Bost and little son, Rodrick, have returned from Danoke, Va., where Mrs. Bost had been for weeks recuperating after an operation at the Concord Hospital.

TWO TAR HEELS WERE ON STEAMER SUNK

R. B. Scarborough, of Buxton, and F. M. Runnels, of Raleigh, on British Steamer Argalia Torpedoed.

CAPTAIN AND TEN OF CREW LOSE LIVES

There Were Forty American Muleteers on the Steamer.—Runnels Was a Well-Known Newspaper Man

Newport News, Aug. 9.—The British steamer Argalia has been torpedoed and sunk off the coast of England, and Captain Norris and ten of the crew lost their lives, according to a cablegram received here last night by agents of the steamer. There were 40 American muleteers on the steamer. Whether any of the crew reported lost were Americans, was not stated in the message.

The survivors were landed at Glasgow, Scotland, from which place the message was sent. The cablegram gives no details.

The Americans aboard the vessel include R. B. Scarborough, of Buxton, N. C., and F. M. Runnels, of Raleigh, N. C.

Runnels Well Known in This State. Raleigh, Aug. 9.—F. M. Runnels, of Raleigh, reported aboard the British steamer Argalia, when that vessel was recently torpedoed in North Carolina by a newspaper and publicity man. Runnels was formerly a member of the staff of the Raleigh News and Observer, and the Wilson Dispatch, and at various times was secretary of the Durham, N. C., and the Gainesville, Fla., Chambers of Commerce. He was about 35 years of age and friends say he was a native of Mississippi.

War Summary Today.

News From Flanders Front is Scant.—Other Fronts.

News from the Flanders front is scant proportions, the most important being announced in the British official report that the French have again effected a gain on their front, northwest of Bixshote. No mention is made in either British or French statements of the extent of the artillery activities which yesterday was giving indications of growing intensity.

CONCORD FIRM GETS BIG WAR ORDER

Another Big Contract Given Gibson Manufacturing Company.

One of Concord's big industrial plants, the Gibson Manufacturing Company, is "doing its bit" toward equipping and making ready America's big army in a most substantial way.

Today the company received its fifth big order for olive drab cloth, which will be made into clothing for thousands of young Americans who will enter the new national army.

PUBLISHERS' HOME IN CANADA DYNAMITED

The Montreal Star Had Been an Advocate of Conscription.

Montreal, Canada, Aug. 9.—The summer home at Cartiersville of Lord Athelstan, publisher of the Montreal Star, was dynamited last night. Lord Athelstan was in his residence at the time, but was not injured. The house was badly damaged. The Star had been a warm advocate of conscription.

The incident attempt to take Athelstan's life followed the receipt by the publisher of numerous threatening letters mailed from the United States warning that the publishing of conscription bill would result in his death in 10 days.

Southern Men Get Commissions at Fort Benjamin Harrison.

Indianapolis, Ind., Aug. 9.—It is announced that four Southern men who had been training at officers reserve camps at Fort Benjamin Harrison have received commissions. Among them is Elmo Freeman, Wake Forest, N. C., second lieutenant of Infantry, Official Reserve Corps.

Japanese railways now employ 30,000 men as cashiers, bookkeepers and ticket sellers.

RUSSIA WILL DO HER PART, SAYS MR. ROOT

Members of American Mission to Russia Made Their Report to President Wilson and Secretary Lansing.

REPORT IS NOT YET GIVEN OUT

Charles Edward Russell Suggests that American Troops Be Sent to Russia For the Moral Effect.

Washington, Aug. 9.—America's work toward rehabilitating Russia was taken up by officials today who had before them the extensive reports and advice of the mission headed by Elihu Root.

Details of the general report which holds high hope for the future of Russia still is kept secret. Mr. Root believes that any information regarding the commission's findings should come from President Wilson. The White House today had not indicated any intention to make them public. Other members are anxious that be published as quickly as possible because they believe it would be a great aid to the United States in understanding the true conditions in Russia.

Washington, Aug. 9.—Members of the American mission to Russia headed by Elihu Root, devoted the day to conferring informally with administration officials and in seeing friends after having made a report to President Wilson and Secretary Lansing on their observations of the present conditions in the new Democratic republic.

While the report itself has not been given out, it is known the commissioners expressed confidence that Russia, with American financial and moral assistance, could be counted on to do her share in the war. Going a step further than his associates in a mission, Charles Edward Russell, suggested that American troops be dispatched to the eastern front for their moral effect on the Russians.

The work is practically completed, and the members plan to leave for their homes in a few days.

INVESTIGATING KILLING OF CIVILIANS YESTERDAY

Trying to Find Out What Caused the Shell to Ricochet.

READY TO PUT FOOD CONTROL BILL IN EFFECT

The President Will Sign the Bill Tomorrow.—House and Senate Not in Session Today.

Washington, Aug. 9.—All is in readiness today for putting the administration food control and food survey bills into effect as soon as they become law with President Wilson's signature. The President will sign the bills tomorrow, after the presiding officers of the Senate and House affix their signatures to the measure. This could not be done today because neither house is in session.

On next Sunday morning at the Methodist Protestant church a class of orphans from the Home at High Point will visit the church here and give an exercise at the morning and night services. In the afternoon the class will visit Fairview church.

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TOMORROW BUTTERFLY PICTURES

ARE THE GERMANS NOW AFTER ODESSA?

Report That Present Offensive is Aimed at Capture of This Port.

COMFORT BAGS GIVEN TO BOYS OF COMPANY L

Interesting Presentation Exercises at Red Cross Headquarters This Morning.

The members of Company L marched to the Red Cross headquarters this morning shortly after 11 o'clock, and each one in the company was presented with a substantial and neat comfort bag by the ladies of the Red Cross Chapter here. The good ladies had been working on these comfort bags for some time, and had solicited and cheerfully received aid from the people of the city to make the presentation possible. Each bag contains, toothbrush, towel, soap, tooth paste, pins thread, comb, buttons, talcum powder, etc.

The bags were made of khaki to correspond with the soldiers' uniform, with a flag on one side and with the soldier's name on a white strip sewed on the side.

A short presentation speech was made by Mr. John C. Bundy, a Confederate soldier, who spoke with his usual ease and grace.

Each soldier, as his name was called, stepped up and received the bag from the hands of little Clarkson Brown and Gertrude Gibson. In all 165 bags were given out. Capt. L. A. Brown acknowledged the gift on behalf of the boys. Gibson said to them that she hoped the bags would prove to be as much a pleasure to them as it was on the part of the people of the city who gave them.

The sergeants of the company bore some flowers from the Red Cross headquarters, as the company marched back to the armory, and laid them around the Confederate monument in the court house square.

CANNONVILLE NOTES

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Quite a number of our people are taking a vacation visiting friends. Miss Stella Baker has taken up her duties as nurse at the Sanatorium in Salisbury, after spending several weeks here with her parents.

Miss Hattie Thompson delightfully entertained a number of young people Monday evening at her home on Kerr street in honor of Miss Martha Barriker, of Hopewell, Va., who is spending several days here visiting friends.

Mr. C. H. Sears, who has been in the Charlotte Sanatorium for some time, expects to be able to return home the first of next week.

HOME COMING AT Mt. Zion Reformed Church, China Grove, N. C.

There will be a special all-day service at Mt. Zion Reformed Church near China Grove, Sunday, August 19. We extend an invitation to all who have been members here to spend the day at Mt. Zion, also to our friends.

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MEN TO BE CALLED TO COLORS SEPT. 1

One Third of the Quota of 687,000 Men Drafted For Service to be Sent to Training Camps Before Sept. 5.

MORE THAN 200,000 IN FIRST INCREMENT

This will Bring the Total Military Force of the Country Up to One Million Men.—Ready on Time.

Washington, Aug. 9.—The Government's various states today received notice from provost marshal General Crowder that the first one-third of the quota of 687,000 men drafted for service in the national army will be called to the colors September 1, and sent to training camps before September 5.

More than 200,000 will be called in to service in the first increment, bringing the total military forces of the country up to one million men. Provost Marshal's instruction to the Governors urged that they make certain first quota be ready on time.

The exemption boards are instructed to deny immunity to married "registrants" whose parents or other relatives of the wife volunteer to assume the support during his absence. Regulations governing the actual mobilization of the national army are nearly ready for release. It is hoped by the draft officials that every contingency arising in assembling the America fighting men will be provided for in these directions.

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All There is to Story That a German Spy Had Poisoned the Food.

Washington, Aug. 9.—The ice ran low in the big army bakery the other day and the heat spoiled 6,000 loaves of bread. The bread tasted queer so the troops could not eat it.

That is all there is to a story that a German spy had put poison in the army food, which startled many readers at breakfast.

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CONGRESSMEN MAY TAKE THE STUMP

After Adjournment to Enlighten People on the Need of Prosecuting Vigorously the War for Democracy.

THE PRESIDENT ALSO MAY MAKE SPEECH

Plans Are Still Immature But All Indications in Washington Point Now to Such a Move.

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Those who favor the plan point out the country is hearing many agitators who oppose the draft and participation in the war. They think that fathers and mothers who are giving their sons to the colors should hear something on other side of the question and from official sources.

I. W. W. AGITATORS ARE UNDER ARREST

Attempted to Dynamite Freight Cars in Oklahoma.

MUSKOGEE, AUG. 9.—SIX ALLEGED I. W. W. AGITATORS ARE UNDER ARREST

Muskogee, Aug. 9.—Six alleged I. W. W. agitators are under arrest in Miami, Ottawa County, and several others have been driven from the mining districts there, as a result of an attempt to dynamite freight cars, according to reports to United States Marshal's office here. Miami is in the lead and zinc mining district. Messages today from the county attorney at Miami said the trouble was over.

AT THE THEATRE

Neal Hart in "Double Suspicion," a Bison Western drama, and Eileen Sedgwick in "The Paper Hanger's Revenge," a good comedy, are on the programme at the Theatatorium today.

THE SOUTHERN BEAUTIES AT THE STRAND LAST NIGHT

The Southern Beauties at the Strand last night played to a well filled house and from the applause, everyone seemed to be well pleased with the show. This company will be here the rest of the week.

THE NEW PASTIME TODAY PRESENTS A BLUEBIRD PHOTOPLAY

"The Girl in the Checkered Coat," featuring Dorothy Phillips, supported by Lon Chaney and William Stowell.

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AURORA BOREALIS SEEN LAST NIGHT

Interrupted Wire Communication Over Half of the United States From Rocky Mountains to the Atlantic.

AFFECTED THE TELEGRAPH WIRES

The Display in Colorado Was Particularly Brilliant.—Many Thought Glow Was Caused By Forest Fires.

The Aurora Borealis or northern light, interrupted wire communication over the northern half of the United States and all of Canada from the Rocky Mountains to the Atlantic Ocean and even was felt in Southern latitudes last night and early today, several hours.

The phenomenon became visible and began affecting telegraph and telephone wires shortly before midnight, and many trunk line circuits were useless most of the time. The display in Colorado was described as particularly brilliant, many persons thinking the red glow was caused by forest fires. Reports state that earth currents did not effect the wires south of St. Louis in the west, but in the east circuits as far south as Atlanta were disturbed.

Telegraph offices said the disturbance was more widespread than for many years, the phenomenon usually being confined to northern latitudes.

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