

TO DRAFT NEW CLASS

BILL IN SENATE WOULD CALL MEN WHO HAVE REACHED TWENTY-ONE YEARS.

REFUSE TO RAISE AGE LIMIT

War Department Estimates Plan Will Add About 700,000 Each Year—Badges for Those Exempted.

Washington, Jan. 17.—At the request of the war department Chairman Chamberlain of the senate military committee introduced a bill on Tuesday for the registration for military duty of all men who have become twenty-one years old since June 5, 1917, when the draft law went into effect.

In determining upon the registration of men who have become twenty-one since the draft law was enacted the war department has rejected any plan to raise the age limit of the draft to take in men more than thirty-one.

Another bill which Senator Chamberlain introduced at the request of the administration, provides for furloughing National army men harvesting crops and other agricultural duty.

Another bill puts the quota of the states on the basis of available men in the first class instead of on population.

Registration of men who have become of age since the draft law was enacted was referred to in the recent report of Provost Marshal General Crowder, as one of the means by which a supply of men for the National army might be assured without taking those who might have other dependents upon them.

It could be done, also, the provost marshal general pointed out, by extending the age limit above the present line of thirty-one. The war department has adopted the first suggestion. It is estimated that it will add about 700,000 men to the draft available each year.

Congressmen have been informed that further legislation would be necessary to perfect and carry on the draft and the passage of Senator Chamberlain's bill with administration support is expected promptly in both houses.

Another bill introduced by Senator Chamberlain would provide a distinctive badge or button for exempted men.

BACKS 'NO ANNEXATION' PLAN

'Tropical Africa Under International Control and Freedom for India,' Says British Labor.

London, Jan. 17.—The British labor party in a message to the Russian people, made public on Tuesday, announced that the British people accepted for the British empire the Russian principles of self-determination of peoples and no annexations, particularly in the middle East, Africa and India.

The labor party declared in favor of placing the whole of tropical Africa under uniform international control.

The more rapid development of self-government for India is promised.

The manifesto concludes with a remarkable appeal to the Teutonic peoples, as follows:

'The family interests of dynasties or the desire of the German, Austria and Magyar governing classes to dominate other classes and nationalities must no more be suffered to prevent self-determination in central Europe, and thereby imperil Europe as a whole, than the interests of British imperialism or British capitalism must be suffered to do elsewhere.'

'Peoples of central Europe: This catastrophe of the human race, this fatal schism in the civilized world, can only be ended by the defeat of militarism on both sides and by the victory on both sides of moral and intellectual fair dealing. If the world is to be saved it must be saved by good faith and reciprocity on the part of all. Do not fall us now. Do not let your governments drive the British people, as they are driving the Russian people, into the terrible choice between continuing the war and abandoning the only principles that can save the world.'

'If this choice is forced upon us we shall choose, as Russia chose. We shall continue (the war), but the responsibility will be yours.'

SHELL YARMOUTH FROM SEA

German Craft Bombs British Town—Three Persons Killed and Ten Injured.

Yarmouth, England, Jan. 17.—The enemy craft which bombed Yarmouth Monday night presumably was a submarine or light cruiser. The bombardment, which was preceded by illumination of the town by large star shells, continued about eight minutes. Three persons were killed and ten injured.

Pope Told Peace Is Far Off

Rome, Jan. 17.—According to reliable Vatican information, papal nuncios to Austria and Germany have informed Pope Benedict that there is no encouragement for peace hopes at the present time.

Flyers Drop Wilson Speech

Amsterdam, Jan. 17.—The newspaper Les Nouvelles says that allied airplanes last week dropped a thousand copies of President Wilson's message to congress in occupied areas in Belgium.

ALICE IN HOOVERLAND



KAISER VOIDS OFFER

CENTRAL POWERS WITHDRAW THEIR PEACE TERMS.

German General Objects to Appeals Sent by the Russians to Teuton Peoples.

Amsterdam, Jan. 14.—The central powers have withdrawn their peace terms made public at the Brest-Litovsk conference on December 5, it was announced by Dr. von Kuehlmann, the German foreign secretary in his speech at the Brest-Litovsk conference with the Russians on Thursday.

Owing to the nonacceptance by all the enemy powers of those terms, Dr. von Kuehlmann stated, that document had "become null and void."

In the name of the German chief command, General Hoffmann protested most strongly against wireless messages sent out from Russian military stations, containing abuses of the German military institutions and appeals of a revolutionary character to the German troops.

This, he said, transgressed the spirit of the armistice. Representatives of the armies of Germany's allies joined in the protest.

At the proposal of Leon Trotsky, head of the Russian delegation, the sitting was adjourned.

M. Trotsky said he requested adjournment in order that the Russian reply to the Austro-German declarations might be prepared.

The next sitting was fixed for eleven o'clock Friday morning. It was agreed that the Russian and Ukrainian replies would be read at that time. Count Czernin, the Austro-Hungarian foreign minister, at a full sitting of the peace conference at Brest-Litovsk on Thursday said that as Russia's allies had not replied to the invitation to participate in the negotiations, it was now a question of a separate peace between Russia and the central powers.

MILLION IN U. S. STORES LOST

Washington Barracks Swept by Fire—Gasoline in Big Warehouse Blows Up.

Washington, Jan. 16.—A quantity of army supplies, including \$1,000,000 worth of food, was destroyed, the quartermaster warehouse ruined and several other buildings damaged by a fire on Monday at the Washington barracks occupied by engineer troops. A large part of the city's fire apparatus was called upon to fight the flames, to which added impetus was given by the explosion of a quantity of gasoline stored in one part of the big warehouse.

Big U. S. Ship Is Rammed

An Atlantic Port, Jan. 15.—Agents of the American steamship Texan, a vessel of 14,000 tons, received reports from naval authorities that it was sinking at sea. The location of the ship was not given. The naval authorities did not state the cause of the Texan's distress, but reports reached shipping circles here from other sources were that the vessel had been rammed amidship in collision with another ship.

\$62,826 Taken by Slayer

Camp Funston, Kan., Jan. 17.—An official check of the funds of the army bank of Camp Funston shows Capt. Lewis Whisler stole \$62,826.21 when he robbed the bank, slaying four men with an ax and injuring a fifth.

Snow to Bring Big Crop

Chicago, Jan. 17.—The recent heavy snows may give the country its greatest winter wheat crop, according to a statement made on Tuesday by Eugene Davenport, dean of the Agricultural college of Illinois.

FIRE AT INDIANAPOLIS

FIRMS WORKING ON WAR CONTRACTS LOSE \$1,000,000.

Four-Story Industrial Building, Six Dwellings, Church and Other Structures Destroyed.

Indianapolis, Jan. 15.—Fire, believed to have been started by an incendiary, probably an alien enemy, on Sunday night razed the four-story Industrial building, occupying the entire block bounded by Tenth, Eleventh and Fayette street and the canal, and periled the entire district bounded by Tenth street on the south, the canal on the west, Fall creek on the north and Illinois street.

The property loss is estimated at more than \$1,000,000, but, in spite of the fact that six dwellings, a church, a grocery and a saloon were also destroyed, it is believed that no lives were lost.

Thirty manufacturing firms have establishments in the Industrial building, and the fact that many of them are engaged in making machines and supplies, under war contracts, for the government leads the authorities to believe that the fire was started by an alien enemy.

Fire Chief Loucks is of the opinion that the blaze was of incendiary origin and federal agents and the city police are proceeding on this theory.

HERTLING TO REPLY TO U. S.

Chancellor of Germany Will Answer Both Wilson and Lloyd-George—Paper Threatens America.

Berlin, Jan. 14.—Imperial Chancellor Hertling probably will reply to the peace aims addresses of President Wilson and Premier Lloyd-George in a speech in the reichstag Monday.

Amsterdam, Jan. 14.—The Rheinische Westfalishe Zeitung says in regard to President Wilson's war aims speech:

"We are working out our terms of peace and Mr. Wilson will soon become aware of them."

The newspaper adds that Germany agrees with Mr. Wilson on the freedom of the seas, but adds:

"Mr. Wilson is unable to guarantee it to us; therefore we propose to enforce it with U-boats."

MAJ. A. P. GARDNER IS DEAD

Former Congressman From Massachusetts Dies of Pneumonia at Camp Wheeler Base Hospital.

Washington, Jan. 16.—Major Augustus P. Gardner of Hamilton, Mass., died in the Camp Wheeler base hospital on Monday after a short illness from pneumonia.

Major Gardner, who was a veteran of the Spanish-American war, resigned his seat in the house of representatives last May to enter the army. During his public career he was one of the most active figures in the fight for military preparedness, and he was one of the leading supporters of the resolution recognizing the state of war with Germany.

Kentucky for Prohibition

Frankfort, Ky., Jan. 16.—Both houses of the Kentucky general assembly ratified the proposed prohibition amendment to the federal Constitution. Kentucky is the third state to indorse national prohibition.

F. E. Small Is Hanged

Concord, N. H., Jan. 16.—Frederick L. Small, a former Boston banker, was hanged at the state prison for the murder of his wife, Florence Arleen Small, at their home in Ossipee, in September, 1916.

WILL YIELD NOTHING

GERMANY DETERMINED TO SURRENDER NO FRUITS OF WAR.

GRAVEYARD OF MILITARISM

Solemn Warning Given to Polish Deputy to Reichstag Committee—Four Minute Men Meet at Lincoln.

London.—The latest German reports which have come through Amsterdam, to which city they were forwarded by the semi-official Wolff bureau, flatly assert that the military party has gained the victory in the territorial policy of Germany and show what face that country proposes to put on annexations in the east. The guise in which these are presented that the peoples of these countries already have determined their future status through existing representative bodies and that this determination is irrevocable. Whether the German newspapers from which all these reports have been taken represent the general feeling or are extracts culled by the censorship for circulation abroad, remains to be seen.

Four Minute Men at Lincoln

Lincoln.—What is said to have been the largest state meeting of four minute men ever held since the organization of that branch of service, was concluded here Saturday afternoon, when fifty-three county chairmen and workers met at the Commercial club. Almost 200 men attended the conference. Short addresses were given by Guernsey E. Newlin, representing the council of national defense, and Prof. M. M. Fogg, head of the Nebraska four minute men. Several county chairmen and four minute speakers took part in the discussion that followed the talks, and at the conclusion of the meeting resolutions were adopted expressing the appreciation of the four minute men of Nebraska for the co-operation and assistance of the theater managers of Nebraska in conducting the work.

GRAVEYARD OF MILITARISM

Solemn Warning Given by Polish Deputy to Reichstag Committee.

London.—Reading between the lines in the German newspapers it becomes apparent that the conference of military and political leaders now taking place at Berlin are regarded as an effort to obtain some sort of an agreement among the German parties as to war aims. At present all signs point to the triumph of the militarists, altho it is evident the opposing forces are making a strong fight. The Munich Post says:

"A death struggle is now proceeding between the reichstag peace majority and the military annexationist party. We do not yet know which side the government will support and Egyptian darkness enshrouds the nation's peace aims."

Grain in Plenty to Supply Needs

Chicago.—There is plenty of grain to supply the needs of the United States and the allies during 1918, but it is up to the government to move it from the farms to the centers of distribution, according to statements by representatives from grain exchanges from all over the country at the convention of the national council of grain exchanges. Millions of bushels of corn will go to waste unless trains to move it can be furnished within sixty days, it was said.

Delegates to the council declared that corn and wheat crops last year exceeded all expectations and that an even greater yield was expected this year. Conditions for winter wheat were declared to be better than at any time during the past ten years.

Ask for Ex-Emperor's Removal

Petrograd.—The executive committee of the peasants' deputies has passed a resolution urging the council of workmen and soldiers' deputies to order the removal of former Emperor Nicholas and his family from Tobolsk to Petrograd or Kronstadt. The council is asked to place the former imperial family on trial before a revolutionary tribunal at either of these cities.

Thousands of Food Substitutes

Amsterdam.—Ten thousand substitute food articles have been introduced into Germany since the war, according to a statement by Professor Juckenack, a prominent German food expert. He mentions as the most striking examples of successful substitution the following: Artificial butter, eggs, salad oil, money, milk, coffee, tea, sugar, tobacco, fish, sausage, cheese and caviar. Some of the substitutes are directly harmful, but others are so good that they will outlive the war.

Saved Taxpayers Millions

Washington.—The Council of National Defense and its committees, Director Gifford told the senate war inquiry committee had filled a breach in the government's war machinery at a critical juncture and had saved the taxpayers millions of dollars. Through voluntary agreements in price-fixing, he said the nation had been saved more than three million dollars on steel. Other savings running into the millions, were cited on copper, lead, lumber and raw materials.

NEBRASKA WOMEN ACTIVE

Council of Defense Will Give Public Address

The woman's committee of the State Council of Defense, of which Prof. Sarka Hrbkova is chairman, has inaugurated a series of patriotic addresses to be given at public schools, church, farm club and other organization gatherings.

The addresses will be given by members of the woman's committee speakers' bureau, of which Mrs. A. W. Field of Lincoln is chairman. Anyone desiring a speaker for a ten-minute, half hour or hour address, should apply to Mrs. Field. The organization asking for an address is to pay the expenses en route of the speaker.

Miss Hrbkova, the chairman of the woman's committee, has alone made 208 public addresses since June 17, 1917, when she was appointed by Keith Neville to the position of woman member of the Nebraska State Council of Defense.

These are the women who will fill speaking engagements:

- Mrs. A. W. Field, 544 South Seventeenth street, Lincoln, chairman speakers' bureau.
Mrs. C. L. Alden, Kimball.
Miss Anna Anderson, St. Paul.
Miss Esther E. Anderson, Kearney.
Mrs. J. W. Babcock, Cambridge.
Mrs. A. H. Backhaus, Pierce.
Miss Julia Barnes, McCook.
Mrs. John H. Bennett, Crete.
Mrs. J. W. Birker, Gothenburg.
Mrs. B. Blarhard, Kearney.
Mrs. C. T. Bowen, Burwell.
Mrs. J. F. Campbell, Hebron.
Miss Eoline Clark, Fremont.
Miss Lucy M. Clark, Chadron Normal.
Mrs. J. H. Corrick, Culbertson.
Miss Blanche Cox, Chappell.
Mrs. R. F. Cottrell, North Platte.
Mrs. Oscar Craig, Ute.
Miss Mary Crawford, Kearney Normal.
Dr. Anna Cross, Crawford.
Mrs. H. E. Daniels, South Auburn.
Mrs. Fred M. Dewesse, Dawson.
Mrs. Claudia D. Dole, Alliance.
Mrs. W. C. English, Chadron.
Mrs. Ruth Erfman, Hildreth.
Miss Annie M. Evans, Dakota.
Mrs. B. E. Farrell, Schuyler.
Mrs. L. B. Fenner, Burwell.
Miss Bess B. Fitt, Stanton.
Mrs. E. L. Frederic, Memphis.
Mrs. George L. Freeborn, Central City.
Miss Julia Furber, Beatrice.
Mrs. E. F. Gallagher, O'Neill.
Mrs. C. H. Hamblin, Tekamah.
Miss Kate Hancock, Falls City.
Dr. Elizabeth Hohl, McCook.
Miss Alice Howell, F-2, Orio, Lincoln.
Mrs. Tale Huffman, Aurora.
Mrs. H. L. Keefe, Waltham.
Mrs. J. H. Kerr, Ansley.
Mrs. F. A. Long, Madison.
Miss Rachel McElroy, Kimball.
Mrs. S. L. Mains, Crete.
Miss Louise Meredith, Battle Creek.
Mrs. John H. Morehead, Falls City.
Mrs. J. N. Paul, St. Paul.
Miss Laura B. Pfeiffer, Orio, Lincoln.
Mrs. L. L. Raymond, Scottsbluff.
Mrs. W. A. Robertson, Plattsmouth.
Mrs. E. H. Rockwell, Valentine.
Mrs. Alice Searle, Ogallala.
Mrs. C. C. Shepherd, Oris.
Mrs. John H. Shaker, Hastings.
Mrs. E. J. Spaulding, Gothenburg.
Mrs. E. M. Steen, Loup City.
Miss Alice Hunter, Lincoln.
Mrs. C. S. Stover, Geneva.
Mrs. T. E. Van Peit, Bushnell.
Mrs. J. L. Walsh, Gothenburg.
Mrs. William Wheeler, Lincoln.
Mrs. J. W. Willets, McCook.
Mrs. C. A. Williams, Neligh.
Mrs. W. H. Williams, Anaworth.
Mrs. F. M. Kimmel, McCook.
Mrs. U. S. Mace, Columbus.
Mrs. S. A. McClelland, York.
Mrs. C. R. Mead, Blair.
Miss Emma R. Miller, West Point.
Miss Winnie Newell, Harrison.
Mrs. Edgar E. Penney, Fullerton.
Mrs. J. D. Reid, Filger.
Mrs. C. G. Ryan, Grand Island.
Mrs. George C. Sheldon, Nehawka.
Mrs. Frank Smith, Red Cloud.
Miss Lillian U. Stoner, Osceola.
Mrs. J. R. Swain, Greeley.
Mrs. R. T. Van Metre, Fremont.
Miss Esther Warner, Anaworth.
Miss Ruth I. Whitmore, Valley.
Miss Florence Williams, Chappell.
Mrs. Russell Williams, Chappell.
Mrs. S. P. Zettlow, Ericson.

Only a few applications have been received by the adjutant general's office from former national guard officers for admittance to the national guard officers training camp.

Adjutant General Hugh E. Clapp has now charge of matters pertaining to the home guard organizations. The state council of which the adjutant general is a member has turned the organizations over to his department.

State Land Commissioner Shumway has received word that an eight-foot vein of lignite coal has been discovered by the Prairie Oil and Gas company of Independence, Kan., in a test oil well being bored five miles northeast of Harrisburg, Banner county. The report that reached Mr. Shumway gave no details except that the eight-foot vein was struck at a depth of 1,000 feet.

Governor Keith Neville has wired the war department at Washington for special dispensation so that members of the Seventh Nebraska regiment, disbanded on his order may enlist and join the Nebraska guardsmen at Camp Cody, Deming, N. M., in the Thirty-fourth division. Governor Neville points out that the members of the Seventh could not enlist before the close of the period designated by the war department because they were already in service.

All Nebraska seed houses have been asked by the seed stock committee of the state council of defense to give the results of germination tests on the seed corn which they have for sale. Some of the reports are in, and they show a serious condition. One firm reported that best test which it received was 43 per cent. Some of the corn gathered this year grades almost zero in germinating quality. The normal acreage of corn in Nebraska is 7,000,000 acres and it requires about 1,000,000 bushels of extra seed to plant this area.

State Land Commissioner Shumway has received a report showing that 320 acres of state land in Dixon county which had been washed away, has again been replaced by the action of the Missouri river. The Dixon county commissioners have appraised the land at \$7 an acre for leasing purposes. Some state lots in Nemaha county, valued at \$1,500, which were washed away, have come back and the tract has been leased and the state has received a bonus of \$125 above the rental based on appraised value.

HUSBAND SAVES WIFE

From Suffering by Getting Her Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Pittsburgh, Pa.—"For many months I was not able to do my work owing to a weakness which caused backache and headaches. A friend called my attention to one of your newspaper advertisements and immediately my husband bought three bottles of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound for me. After taking two bottles I felt fine and my troubles caused by that weakness are a thing of the past. All women who suffer as I did should try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound."



Mrs. J. S. ROHRBORN, 620 Knapp St., N. S., Pittsburgh, Pa.

Women who suffer from any form of weakness, as indicated by displacements, inflammation, ulceration, irregularities, backache, headaches, nervousness or "the blues," should accept Mrs. Rohrborn's suggestion and give Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound a thorough trial.

For over forty years it has been correcting such ailments. If you have mysterious complications write for advice to Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass.

Sleepless Nights?

In our conversation last evening at the supper table we discussed wheatless and meatless days and lightless nights. When supper was finished we thought the matter forgotten, but during the night half a dozen cats selected as a meeting place a spot beneath our bay windows. And at breakfast table the following morning Bobby said, "I guess we are going to have sleepless nights, too."—Chicago Tribune.

'Cold in the Head'

is an acute attack of Nasal Catarrh. Persons who are subject to frequent "colds in the head" will find that the use of HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE will build up the System, cleanse the Blood and render them less liable to colds. Repeated attacks of Acute Catarrh may lead to Chronic Catarrh. HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE is taken internally and acts through the Blood on the Mucous Surfaces of the System. All Druggists 75c. Testimonials free. \$1.00 for a case of Catarrh that HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE will not cure. F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio.

Falsification.

George Cohan was advising an older playwright who had not yet achieved fame.

"You must give the public happy endings," Mr. Cohan said. "A happy ending must be given, even if you have to falsify the truth."

"We all falsify the truth at times. Thus, on the stage, when the lovers kiss, their troubles are over, whereas in real life, of course, it's when they kiss that their troubles begin."

RED CROSS STORY.

Red Cross Ball Blue and what it will do seems like an old story, but it's true. Red Cross Ball Blue is all blue. No adulteration. Makes clothes whiter than snow. Use it next washday. All good grocers sell it.—Adv.

He Knew Her.

She—I've had that parrot two years and it has never said a word.

He—Why don't you give it a chance?

Piles Cured in 6 to 14 Days. Druggists refund money if Pazo Ointment fails to cure itching, blind, bleeding or protruding piles. First application gives relief. 60c.

Every time care drives a nail in your wooden overcoat laugh heartily and draw it out.

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Mr. Madara's Condition Was Critical Until Doan's Were Used. Health Was Restored.

"For six months I couldn't walk, I was so swollen as the result of kidney trouble," says Geo. T. Madara, 15 Mt. Vernon Ave., Pitman Grove, Camden, N. J.: "Backache drove me nearly wild and big lumps formed over each kidney. I bloated until I weighed 607 pounds, and I was a sight to behold. The water in my system pressed around my heart and I sometimes felt as if I was being strangled. The kidney secretions were scanty and contained a thick sediment. No one can imagine how I suffered. I finally went to the hospital, but when an operation was suggested I would not consent and came home. I heard how Doan's Kidney Pills had helped others, so I discarded all the other medicines and started taking them. The second day I began to improve and as I continued, my back stopped aching and the swelling went down. The other kidney troubles left, too, and I was soon as well as ever."

Sworn to before me, Philip Schmitt, Notary Public.

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