

ARMY AND NAVY NEWS

In this column any information relating to the army or navy will be given, also news items of interest. Any question asked relating to either branch of the service will be answered. Address all questions to Editor, Army and Navy Dept., Alliance Herald. Answers will be given in the following edition of the paper.

EDITOR

Army and Navy Department.

Questions received and answers: Army and Navy Department, Alliance Herald.

Q. If a soldier has \$10,000 war risk insurance and is killed, same not being in line of duty, who receives his insurance, of any?

C. M., Alliance, Nebr.

A. If a soldier has \$10,000 war risk insurance and is killed or dies whether in line of duty or not, his beneficiary or beneficiaries will receive \$57.50 per month for 20 years.

Editor A. & N. Dept.

Army and Navy Department, Alliance Herald.

Q. What pay does a sergeant or infantry draw on his first year?

G. B. Y., Mitchell, Nebr.

A. All sergeants of infantry receive \$38.00 per month on their first enlistment plus 20 per cent foreign service, also he has chances to qualify as marksman, sharpshooter or expert rifleman, which means additional pay of \$2, \$3, 5 per month respectively.

Editor A. & N. Dept.

Army and Navy Department, Alliance Herald.

Q. My son enlisted December 12, 1917. When will he be discharged?

Mrs. R. M., Bayard, Nebr.

A. He will be discharged on the termination of the war.

Editor A. & N. Dept.

Army and Navy Department, Alliance Herald.

Q. My boy left home and enlisted in the army. He is only 19 years of age. Can men of that age enlist without their parent's consent?

Mrs. S. R., Chadron, Nebr.

A. Men between the ages of 18 and 21 years of age do not need parents' consent to enlist.

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Army and Navy Department, Alliance Herald.

Q. If a married man enlists in the service how soon after enlistment does his family receive the government allowance?

E. R. K., Minature, Nebr.

A. It generally takes about sixty days after a man enlists before his family will receive the first allowance, thereafter the allowance will be received by his family each and every month.

Editor A. & N. Dept.

Army and Navy Department, Alliance Herald.

Q. Can a man enlisting in the navy take out war risk insurance as well as men in the navy?

G. H. M., Bingham, Nebr.

A. Men in the army, navy marine corps are all entitled to the same benefits under the war risk insurance, also male and female nurses.

Editor A. & N. Dept.

NEWS SERVICE

Two naval aviators were killed last week by falls in sea planes. These two aviators were graduates of state universities and held the rank of ensigns. Both fatalities were in Florida.

U. S. Marine Sergeant W. R. Knox, stationed in Santo Domingo, was fired on and killed by a band of outlaws near Seibo. United States troops are hunting down the outlaws.

General Haig, of the allied forces, sends the following message to President Wilson: "Your message of generous appreciation of the steadfastness of our soldiers in the great battle now raging has greatly touched us all. Please accept our heartfelt thanks. One and all believe in the justice of our cause and are determined to fight on without counting the cost until the freedom of mankind is safe."—Douglas Haig.

Records of the war department show that from the beginning of training in June, 1917, to February 22, 1918, the fatalities at military aviation fields in this country have been 51; ten officers and 29 cadets killed in training flights and 12 men killed on unauthorized flights and ground accidents.

"Stars and Stripes" is the name of the weekly newspaper being published in France for American troops, under the direction of the intelligence section. Practically the entire paper is devoted to American news, including a daily radio report of about 1400 words supplied by the committee on public information to the French government.

Geneva, Switzerland, March 21.—Lieutenant General Von Hohne, a German authority on ordnance and inspector of artillery, gives these details on the gun that is bombarding Paris. He says they are 65½ feet long. The empty shell weighs 330 pounds and the charge the same. The projectile attains a height of 18.6 miles and seconds from the sky like a meteor on the target. General von Bohne says it requires about three minutes for the shell to reach its destination. The greatest difficulty in increasing the range was overcome by sending the missile high enough to reach the rarified air.

Judge L. A. Berry went to Lincoln last Saturday night in order to appear as attorney for the defense in a case before the supreme court Monday.

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NEW ULM FARMERS SUPPORT PRESIDENT

Citizens of Teutonic Descent Display Patriotism After Hearing A. C. Townley.

After listening to an address by A. C. Townley, president of the National Nonpartisan League, 800 farmers, many of them either German born or of German descent, who packed the New Ulm, Minn., opera house Feb. 20, unanimously adopted resolutions pledging anew their wholehearted and loyal support to President Wilson's war aims and hailing him as "a true and sincere friend of the German PEOPLE" who is "trying to remove the yoke of the militarists and autocrats from the racks of the German people" and set them free "to express their genius in a manner that will win the friendship and approval of the world."

The farmers showed their sincerity by donating \$120.15 to the Red Cross before leaving the hall. The Nonpartisan league at New Ulm has caused a great deal of favorable comment throughout the Northwest. New Ulm is largely settled by persons either born in Germany or of German descent and last fall the Twin City papers directed a flood of vituperation against its citizens because of a mass meeting held there to protest against sending drafted men to Europe. The Public Safety commission removed two New Ulm officials and the people of New Ulm were abused and parodied by newspaper writers who did not know all the circumstances.

Townley Explains War Aims.

Mr. Townley went to New Ulm in a spirit of sympathetic understanding. He knew that many citizens here could not eradicate the feeling of love for their kin in Germany, even though they were loyal to the United States. But he was so successful in showing that the war was brought on by a small set of ruthless and selfish militarists who are the worst enemies of the German people themselves—and so clear in his explanation that the United States is not fighting to crush the German people, but rather fighting to aid them liberate themselves from the domination of the militarists, that an audience composed mainly of Germans went wild with enthusiasm and unanimously adopted resolutions which will forever end any questions as to the patriotism of New Ulm's people.

The resolutions also protested against recent arbitrary acts in Minnesota, which unless checked, not only will tend to subvert our constitutional rights and to breed disrespect for the law at home, but will be used by the German junkers abroad in an effort to convince the German people that our professions are false and that we are insincere when we say that we are fighting only for their liberty and for the extension of democracy.

Governor Asked To Act.

The "recent arbitrary acts" were illegal interference with peaceable and patriotic meetings of farmers held under the auspices of the National Nonpartisan league and Governor Burnquist was requested "to take prompt steps to enforce the law," as, according to the resolutions, "these acts are making it impossible for a feeling of unity and co-operation to exist and handicapping and not helping our President in his conduct of war."

Another resolution notified "all citizens, all public officials and all newspapers, that Mr. Townley and the organization he represents are carrying on warlike work and standing for things, which if accomplished, would greatly further our war program and tend to better feeling among the mass of the American people." The governor also was informed "that meetings of this sort should be encouraged and not illegally opposed."

In view of the fact that dozens of loyal rallies, much like the New Ulm meeting, have been held all over Minnesota; that thousands of dollars have been raised for the Red Cross; that Mr. Townley is advocating the planting of larger crops and the farmers are not asking for higher prices; and that thousands of Nonpartisan leaguers have cheerfully given their sons to their country, the charges of disloyalty made against the organization are falling flat.

Actions speak louder than words. In patriotism as in everything and most citizens are reaching the conviction that the profiteers and their prostituted newspapers, strangely enough, who have inspired the charges against the Nonpartisan league. It begins to look as if they realized the truth of Samuel Johnson's adage that "Patriotism always is the last refuge of a scoundrel" and directed their false charges against the league to divert attention from their misdeeds.

How Much This Year?

The Gisbott Manufacturing company of Wisconsin has filed a sworn statement required by the laws of Wisconsin showing that it made 100 per cent profits in 1915 and about 200 per cent in 1916. We await patiently the report for last year and this. In the natural order of increase it should be along toward 400 per cent now.

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