

WOULD MAKE ALIENS SERVE IN U. S. ARMY

Sentiment in Congress to Amend Draft Law so as to Take Them In.

DETAILS OF CHOICE KNOWN BEFORE NIGHT

Drawing Likely Before End of Week; Crowder to Make Statement Today.

Washington, D. C., July 17.—Sentiment is apparently growing in congress in favor of amending the conscription law so as to make aliens liable for military service or otherwise to relieve the requirements placed under the present allotment on communities with large foreign population.

Bills to this end have been prepared in both senate and house, but the administration has not indicated that it will favor any change. Many officials hold to the opinion on the other hand that to compel aliens to serve would be a violation of international law.

Seven States Not In. All but seven of the states had reported completion of their local conscription machinery tonight, encouraging officials in their hope that drawing of lots to determine the order of liability may be held before the end of the week.

Four states reported ready during the day, and the war department has been informed that in those remaining to report only a few local districts are missing.

Although no details have been revealed, it was learned tonight that the plan of the drawing to be held in Secretary Baker's Office virtually has been completed and that an announcement on the subject may be made by Provost Marshal General Crowder tomorrow.

May Know Today.

Secretary Baker's final approval for the plan is yet to be given, but General Crowder may reveal enough of the details to guide newspapers in preparing to publish the result and to inform registrants what facts they must ascertain in order to know their exact position on the liability lists.

The states from which reports of complete exemption arrangements were arranged during the day are Utah, Alabama, Ohio and Virginia. Reports are still to come from Illinois, Kentucky, Michigan, Mississippi, New York, Missouri and Pennsylvania.

More Complex Arrangement.

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Given his own number and the total number of registrants in his district, any registrant can figure out quickly what place he occupies in the line as soon as the results of the lottery are announced. If there are 1,500 registered men, every serial number above that will be represented by a blank in that district when it is drawn, and the rotation numbers of the drawing will pass them over. Thus, if No. 1,428 should be drawn first, No. 1,569 second and No. 1,247 third, the order of liability in a 1,500 district would be No. 1,428 first and No. 1,247 second.

Based on Actual Showings.

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the draft act so that aliens will not be exempt. Both suggestions have many supporters in congress and it is not unlikely that one of them will be given administration approval.

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Meanwhile Representative Dent, chairman of the house military committee, submitted to Secretary Baker a bill introduced by Representative Rogers, of Massachusetts, proposing that the draft quotas be apportioned according to the population of "military eligibles," instead of according to total population. Mr. Dent said that if the secretary approved his committee probably would report the bill favorably.

At the war department there has been no indication whether either of these proposals will have the backing of the administration. Department officials feel the discussion in congress, if it develops into action, may indefinitely postpone the raising of the national army. The suggestion, therefore, has been made to some senators interested that the present draft be allowed to proceed on the basis planned and that the question of corrections be threshed out between now and the time of the next draft.

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DRAFT FIGURES TO BE REARRANGED

Lincoln, July 17.—The fact that Hawaii has enlisted 1,990 more men for the army than the draft calls for has necessitated the reconstruction of the figures affecting Nebraska. Lee Metcalf, secretary to the governor, has been busy today in an effort to rearrange the figures for Nebraska, which means that because of the over-enlistment in the islands each county in this state will be benefited its proportionate share; not very much, but just enough so that Mr. Metcalf has had to go over the entire state apportionment and make an apportionment reduction for each county.

It has also been discovered that one county in the state, Hamilton, enlisted more men than the quota assigned, 5.54 per cent. These figures had to be taken into consideration, with the end in view to making an appropriate reduction in all counties.

Authorities at Washington have notified Governor Neville that the quota of men to be raised by Nebraska this time is 13,900. Deducting the 5,691 men who have enlisted in this state in the National Guard, federal or some other service, leaves the number to be drawn from the draft 8,209. Deduct from the over-enlistment in the islands the quota for Nebraska of 24, leaves the total to be drawn by the draft as 8,185 in the state. The 5.54 per cent of over-enlistments in Hamilton county will not affect the state total, but will lower each county's quota a very little.

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BRITISH SEIZE GERMAN BOATS IN NORTH SEA

Four Are Seized by Destroyers and Two Others Damaged by Gun Fire.

LATTER MAKE ESCAPE TO THE DUTCH COAST

French Again Repel Strong German Attacks in the Vicinity of the Teten.

An important success has been won by the French in the Verdun region. As the result of an attack last night all the positions west of hill 304, after the attack of June 29 and 30, were recovered. German prisoners to a number not yet ascertained by the French high command were taken in the action.

The Russian armies are continuing their vigorous offensive in eastern Galicia and other groups of the empire's vast forces are apparently ready to spring into activity at various points along the 800-mile front.

London, July 17.—The admiralty announces the capture of four German steamers by British destroyers in the North Sea. The steamers are the Pellworm, Brietzeg, Marie Horn and Heinz Blumberg.

The captured steamers are all small, the largest being the Brietzeg of 1,495 tons gross, owned in Hamburg. The Pellworm, 1,370 tons gross, also owned in Hamburg. The Marie Horn, 1,088 tons, from Schleswig, and the Heinz Blumberg, 1,226 tons, registered from Hamburg.

Two other German steamers were with the four vessels later captured when the group was signalled by the British war craft. All six made for the Dutch coast and two of them reached the shore. These two were badly damaged by gunfire.

"We gained ground slightly during the night northwest of Wirmenon," the war office announced today. "In the Neuport sector one of our raiding parties encountered a large party of the enemy in front of the German positions. After a sharp fight our troops drove back the enemy to their lines and bombarded them in their trenches."

Paris, July 17.—German troops made a strong attack on the French positions in the vicinity of the Tetot, but were driven back, leaving a number of dead, the war office announced today.

VIENNA BITTER ON DEPOSED HOLLWEG

Vienna, Via Berlin and London, July 17.—Although the Vienna Press generally regrets Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg's fall, several newspapers today bitterly commented on the former premier's tendency toward compromise on all questions.

The Zeitung sarcastically pointed out that "Hollweg swallowed with equal facility the conservatives' principles of annexation as well as the democratic principles of no annexations."

"Although he described treaties as 'scraps of paper,'" the editorial continued, "he doubtless would have been ready to swallow the opposite principle of sanctity in order to save his job. His marvelous stomach could have stood it—but it seems too much for others."

The Neue Freie Press declared "Hollweg might have known he was signing his own death warrant when he approved the kaiser's Prussian electoral program."

Washington, D. C., July 17.—B. O. Sweeney, assistant secretary of the interior, died suddenly at his home here today from angina pectoris. He had suffered with the disease for some time but remained at his task and few of his friends knew his splendid physique was undermined.

Mr. Sweeney had been assistant secretary since 1914, when he left his law practice at Seattle to join Secretary Lane. He was 53 years old and a native of Missouri. He practiced law at Trinidad, Col., and served in the Colorado legislature before going to Seattle.

TEUTONS VERY HEAVY LOSERS ON WEST FRONT

Enemy Losses on the Western Front Total 350,000 Men in Three Months.

French and British Offensive of the Spring Months Cut Big Inroads.

French Front, July 17.—Severe inroads have been made on the strength of the German troops holding the line on the Franco-British front during the attacks delivered on them in the months of April, May and June. An estimate made on well established averages demonstrates that their losses must approximate 350,000 men.

Before the spring operations of the French and British began, the German front had been divided into two sections entirely independent of each other. One faced the French between the Oise and the Swiss frontier and was under the command of the crown prince. The other confronted the British from the North Sea to the Oise and was commanded by the Bavarian crown prince.

At the beginning of the Franco-British offensives, the Germans had at their disposal on the whole front stretching from the North Sea to Switzerland 147 divisions, of which 105 were actually in the front line and forty-two in the rear ready for employment at any point where their help was needed. These reserve divisions were about equally distributed in the northern and southern sectors.

On Russian Front. The situation on the Russian front permitted the Germans to detach some of their active divisions from that side, and at the same time they formed several new divisions, which they brought to the French front so that on June 20, the number of their divisions facing the French and British was 155, in spite of the fact that they had replaced the active divisions brought from Russia by landwehr units sent from this side.

The strength of the German forces on the Franco-British front, cannot, however, be calculated exactly from the number of their divisions, for not fewer than 112 of the 155 have been thrown into the battles at various times and twenty-three of them have been twice engaged, thus totalling in reality 135 divisions which have been in action.

As a general rule, a division is not withdrawn from the firing line until it has lost one-third of its effectives, and thus the German losses may be fairly accurately gauged. For instance, a German division nowadays, when at full strength, numbers approximately 7,500 infantrymen. Therefore the 135 divisions which have passed through the fire have in all probability each lost 2,500 killed, wounded and prisoners, making in all 347,500 casualties in the infantry alone in less than three months.

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HAVE LOCATED ALL THE GERMAN GOLD

Washington, D. C., July 17.—Reports that the activities of the Industrial Workers of the World in the west recently had been financed by German gold have failed of substantiation after an exhaustive investigation by agents of the department of justice.

Officials said today that they believed nearly all the German money in this country has been located and that virtually none of it has been used in that way.

A number of arrests were reported today from various sections of the west of members of the I. W. W. under the present alien enemy proclamation. It was said that the percentage of German sympathizers found in the organization is higher than in many other organizations.

Washington, D. C., July 17.—The last argument of kings is what the German crown prince calls submarines, according to a special cable printed today by the New York Times from The Hague. The crown prince's statement was:

"Borne upon the nation's confidence, with warmest wishes for favoring gales, upon their bridges the nation's best, for their crews are served by crews despising death, hated and feared by our foe and ready ever for deeds of daring, may our submarines ever float the German flag victoriously through the seven seas and teach respect for them as the last argument of kings."

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF CASS COUNTY, NEBRASKA.

In the Matter of the Guardianship of Anna C. Chilcott, Insane. This case came on for hearing upon the petition of Wesley Chilcott, guardian of the person and estate of Anna C. Chilcott, insane, praying for license to sell the interest of his said ward, as described in and to the following described real estate, to-wit: The Northwest Quarter of the Twenty-fourth Township Ten (10) Range Thirty-two (32) in Cass County, Nebraska. Said petitioner also praying that the wife of petitioner, Anna C. Chilcott, be adjudged insane and to the state of Nebraska. That petitioner is the owner in fee simple title of the above described real estate and that Court, asked to ascertain the present value of the interest of petitioner's wife, and to authorize petitioner to sell the same at public or private sale.

This order shall be served by publication in the Plattesmouth Journal, a newspaper published for at least three weeks successively prior to August 4th, 1917. Dated this 25th day of June, A. D. 1917. JAMES T. BEGLEY, Judge of the District Court, July 3-2wks

NOTICE TO CREDITORS. In the Matter of the Estate of Selma Barwick, Deceased. Creditors of said estate are notified that I will sit at the County Court Room in Plattsmouth, in said County, on the 27th day of July, 1917, at 9 o'clock A. M., on each of said days, to receive and examine all claims against said estate with a view to their adjustment and allowance. The time limited for the filing of claims is six months from the 6th day of August, A. D. 1917, and the time for payment of said claims is one year from said 6th day of August, 1917. Witness my hand and the Seal of said County Court, this 2nd day of July, 1917. ALLEN J. BEESON, County Judge.

NOTICE OF SETTLEMENT OF GUARDIANSHIP ACCOUNT. In the Matter of Guardianship of Loyd W. Hartman, Incompetent. All persons interested in said guardianship account are notified that the guardian has filed his report and account of the said account for settlement and allowance of said report and account; that a hearing will be had on the 27th day of July, 1917, at 10 A. M. and all objections to said report and account shall be on or before said date. Dated this 6th day of July, 1917. ALLEN J. BEESON, County Judge.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED. To A. H. Graves, first real name unknown; Mrs. A. H. Graves, first real name unknown; Mrs. E. A. Graves, first real name unknown; E. A. Graves, first real name unknown; Mrs. E. L. Graves, first real name unknown; W. W. Graves, first real name unknown; and Mrs. W. W. Graves, first real name unknown. You and each of you are hereby notified that the undersigned, Frank B. Singel, purchased lots one (1), two (2), three (3), four (4), south two (2) west in the Village of Look Buffalo, Cass County, Nebraska, on the 29th day of November, 1915, for the delinquent taxes thereon for the year 1914, amounting to \$14.00, and that the Register of Cass County, Nebraska, stands in the name of A. H. Graves, E. A. Graves, E. L. Graves and W. W. Graves, that subsequently the undersigned, on the 2nd day of June, 1916, paid on lot under said certificate, taxes for the year 1916, amounting to eleven cents, and thereafter, the undersigned, on the 15th day of November, 1917, the undersigned will apply to the County Treasurer of Cass County, Nebraska, for a deed to said lot in case redemption has not been made. The undersigned hereby certifies that the receipt of said original tax sale certificate, having been in possession of his hand.

Of all of which you will take due notice. FRANK B. SINGEL, Purchaser.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED. To Clemence Inhelder, widow; Emma Walrod and husband, George Walrod, John Inhelder and wife, Mrs. John Inhelder, first real name unknown; Frank Inhelder and wife, Mrs. Frank Inhelder, first real name unknown; Jacob Inhelder, first real name unknown; Mary Shirke, widow. You and each of you are hereby notified that the undersigned, Henry Inhelder, purchaser lot 15, in the north-west quarter of section 15, north range 12, east of the 6th P. M. in the County of Cass, Nebraska, on the 29th day of November, 1915, for the delinquent taxes for the year 1912, amounting to \$1.38, and thereafter on the 21st day of June, A. D. 1917, the undersigned paid on said lot under said certificate taxes for the year 1915 in the sum of \$1.77; that subsequently the undersigned, on the 15th day of November, 1917, the undersigned will apply to the County Treasurer of Cass County, Nebraska, for a deed to said lot, after the 9th day of November, A. D. 1917, in case redemption has not been made. Of all of which you will take due notice.

July 16-3wks C. A. RAWLS, Purchaser.

ORDER OF HEARING AND NOTICE ON PETITION FOR SETTLEMENT OF ACCOUNT. In the County Court of Cass County, Nebraska. To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Laura Standley, Deceased. On reading the petition and the allowance of his account filed in this Court on the 16th day of July, 1917, and for order of distribution. It is hereby ordered that you and all persons interested in said matter be notified and do appear at the County Court to be held in and for said County, on the 24th day of July, A. D. 1917, at 10 o'clock A. M. to show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner should be granted, and that notice of the pendency of said petition and the hearing thereof be given to all persons interested in said matter by publishing a copy of this order in the Plattsmouth Journal, a semi-weekly newspaper printed in said County, for one week prior to said day of hearing. In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and the Seal of said County, this 11th day of July, A. D. 1917. ALLEN J. BEESON, County Judge.

NOTICE OF HEARING AND NOTICE ON PETITION FOR SETTLEMENT OF ACCOUNT. In the County Court of Cass County, Nebraska. To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Harmon Bestor, Deceased. On reading the petition of Ada R. Bestor, executrix, praying a final settlement and allowance of her account filed in this Court on the 11th day of July, 1917, and for final distribution of assets of estate to such persons as are entitled thereto. It is hereby ordered that you and all persons interested in said matter be notified and do appear at the County Court to be held in and for said County, on the 21st day of July, A. D. 1917, at 10 o'clock A. M. to show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner should be granted, and that notice of the pendency of said petition and the hearing thereof be given to all persons interested in said matter by publishing a copy of this order in the Plattsmouth Journal, a semi-weekly newspaper printed in said County, for one week prior to said day of hearing. In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and the Seal of said County, this 11th day of July, A. D. 1917. ALLEN J. BEESON, County Judge.

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FALL SEEDING. Purple top strap leaved and white globe turnip seed, 75c lb.; shallu, 10; sudan grass, 30; alfalfa, 90% per cent pure, \$9.50 to \$10.75 bu.; timothy, \$8.75; sweet corn, pk. \$1.25. Ask for samples. J. J. Bros., Nebraska City, Neb.

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July 9-3 wks s-w HENRY INHELDER, Purchaser.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR CASS COUNTY, NEBRASKA. Ernestine Schneider, Plaintiff, vs. Marie Rau Riehe, Arthur Riehe, her husband; Charles Rau, Selma H. Rau, Helen Rau, Vermer Rau, Herman Rau, Jr., wife, Josephine Louise Rau, and Arthur G. Luehr, administrators of the Estate of Herman Rau, Rau, deceased, Defendants.

NOTICE OF REFERENCE TO SALE. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that in pursuance of an order of the District Court duly entered on the 30th day of May, 1917, in and for said County, Nebraska, authorizing me, as referee, in partition to sell the following described real estate, to-wit: East one-half of the Northwest quarter and the Southwest quarter all in Section thirty-three, Township twelve, Range ten, containing 240 acres.

That I will on the 11th day of August, 1917, at