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Draft Rules Announced by President Wilson

Washington, D. C., July 2.—Regulations to govern the next step toward selecting a national war army from the millions registered for service on June 5, were issued today at the direction of President Wilson.

The regulations make it clear that there are to be no class exemptions and that each individual case must be decided upon its merits. The local exemption boards—one for each county of less than 45,000 population or city of 30,000 with additional boards where necessary for each additional 30,000 population will pass upon claims for exemption except those based upon industrial or agricultural occupation, subject to appeal to the district boards.

All cases involving agricultural or industrial exemptions will be passed upon by the district boards—one for each federal judicial district—which also will decide appeals from decisions of the local boards.

To Organize Soon.
In the near future a date will be set by Brigadier General Crowder, provost marshal general, for the meeting and organization of the boards. At the same time it is expected that the selection regulations will be promulgated, so that the process may be put under way without delay. The present intention is to call the men selected to the colors about September 1, or as soon thereafter as the cantonments to house them can be completed.

In a statement accompanying the announcement of the regulations the president called upon the boards to do their work fearlessly and impartially and to remember that "our armies at the front will be strengthened and sustained if they be composed of men free from any sense of injustice in their mode of selection."

President's Rules.

The statement follows: "The regulations which I am today causing to be promulgated, pursuant to the direction of the selective service law, cover the remaining steps of the plan for calling into the service of the United States qualified men from those who have registered; those selected as the result of this process to constitute, with the regular army, the national guard and the navy, the fighting forces of the nation, all of which forces are under the terms of the law placed in a position of equal right, dig-

nity and responsibility with the members of all other military forces.

"The regulations have been drawn with a view to the needs and circumstances of the whole country and provide a system which it is expected will work with the least inequality and personal hardship.

No Favoritism.

"Any system of selecting men for military service whether voluntary or involuntary in its operation, necessarily selects some men to bear the burden of danger and sacrifice for the whole nation. The system here provided places all men of military age upon an even plane and then, by a selection which neither favors by one nor penalizes the other, calls out the requisite number for service.

"The successful operation of this law and of these regulations depends necessarily upon the loyalty, patriotism and justice of the members of the boards to whom its operation is committed and I admonish every member of every local board and of every district board of review that their duty to their country requires an impartial and fearless performance of the delicate and difficult duties intrusted to them. They should remember as to each individual case presented to them that they are called upon to adjudicate the most sacred rights of the individual and to preserve untarnished the honor of the nation.

Justice Will Inspire Army.

"Our armies at the front will be strengthened and sustained if they be composed of men free from any sense of injustice in the mode of selection and they will be inspired to loftier efforts in behalf of a country in which the citizens called upon to perform high public functions perform them justly, fearlessly and impartially."

Upon organizing, the local boards will take over from the registration boards all registration cards which they will number serially and list for posting to public view.

Physical Examination First.

"Then, after having been advised of the method by which the order of liability for service shall be determined and of the quota to be drawn from its territory (minus credits for enlistments in the national guard or regular army) each board will prepare a list of persons designated for service in the order of their liability, post the list, give it to the press and within three days send notice to each designated person by mail.

As the men so notified appear, the boards first will make a physical examination in accordance with special regulations to be provided, bearing in mind that all persons accepted by them will be re-examined by army surgeons. If the physical examination is passed successfully, then comes the question of exemption.

Those Who Are Exempt.

Persons who must be exempted or discharged by the local boards include: Officers of the United States, of the states, territories, and the District of Columbia, ministers of religion, students of divinity, persons in the military or naval service of the United States, subjects of Germany, all other

aliens who have not taken out first papers, county or municipal officers, custom house clerks, workmen in federal armories, arsenals and navy yards, persons in the federal service designated by the president for exemption, pilots, merchant marine sailors, those with a status with respect to dependents which renders their exclusion desirable (a married man with dependent wife or child, son of a dependent widow, son of dependent, aged or infirm parents, or brother of dependent orphan child under 16 years of age), those found morally deficient and any member of any well recognized religious sect existing May 18, 1917, whose creed forbids participation in war and whose religious convictions accord with the creed.

Must Have Affidavits.

Claims for exemption because of dependents may be made by the man himself, his wife or other dependents or by a third party who has personally investigated the case. A claim made by the husband must be accompanied by supporting affidavits signed by the wife and by the head of a family residing in the same territory.

A claim by the wife or a third party must be accompanied by two supporting affidavits signed by heads of families.

Similar rules govern claims on the grounds of other dependents when the dependents or third parties being authorized to file claims with supporting affidavits. In each case the board must be satisfied before it grants exemption or discharge that the dependent or dependents actually are supported mainly by the fruits of the man's mental or physical labor.

District Boards Final.

Local boards are required, subject to appeal, to pass upon claims for exemption or discharge within three days after the filing of affidavits.

District boards must decide appeal cases within five days after the closing of proofs and their decisions are final. If the ruling of a local board is affirmed the person in question stands finally accepted for military service.

In passing on claims for exemption on the ground of employment in necessary industrial and agricultural occupations the district boards must be convinced that the particular enterprise affording such employment actually is necessary to the maintenance of the military establishment or national interest during the emergency.

Certificates of exemption will not necessarily be permanent. They may be revoked with changing conditions or may be granted only for prescribed periods.

County Commissioners Allow Many Claims

Red Cloud, July 2nd.

Board met at 10 a. m. Members present: Hubatka, Thomas, Knigge, Shidler and McCall Chairman.

The chairman appointed the following committee to check Treasurer's office: Shidler, Hubatka and Thomas. Committee to check all other county offices, McCall and Knigge.

Motion made by Thomas and seconded by Hubatka that the County Surveyor is ordered to prepare plans, specifications and estimate for curb and driveway around court house grounds and county clerk instructed to advertise for bids to be received at 2 o'clock July 31, 1917. Motion carried.

At 2 p. m. the hearing of the petition of Wilbur Peterson for a pool hall in Inavale was taken up.

E. U. Overman attorney for the remonstrators presented a petition asking for a disal of the pool hall petition of applicant.

Bernard McNeny, attorney for Wilbur Peterson, contends that the petition has the required number of resident free holders and should not be dismissed.

Motion made by Hubatka and seconded by Shidler that the remonstrators petition be over ruled. All present voted yes and motion carried. The remonstrators accepted the ruling of the Board.

The remonstrators admit that the application has been published the required length of time.

Request of E. U. Overman that a motion be made that the petition filed July 2nd should not be considered by the Board. Motion made by Hubatka and seconded by Shidler that above request be overruled. Motion carried.

The applicant by his attorney, Mr. McNeny, offers all records in the office of the county clerk showing title to real estate held by signers of petition of Wilbur Peterson.

Objections by Mr. Overman that the records be not produced and that it is not in the providence of the County Board to hunt up the evidence of the petitioner.

County Attorney asks Mr. Overman if he wishes record made of the witnesses sworn. Mr. Overman answers no. Motion made and carried to adjourn to 9 a. m. Tuesday, July 3rd.

July 3rd, Board met at 9 a. m. with all members present.

The board first took up the question as to whether 30 resident free holders had signed the petition of Wilbur Peterson for a pool hall in Inavale and after careful investigation the Board found that the petition had the required number of resident free holders.

Motion made by Shidler and seconded by Hubatka that Wilbur Peterson be granted a license to operate a pool hall on lot 15, block 12, Inavale, for one year from date of issue. Clerk instructed to issue license when applicant pay to county treasurer the necessary license fee. Hubatka, Knigge and Shidler voted yes and Thomas no.

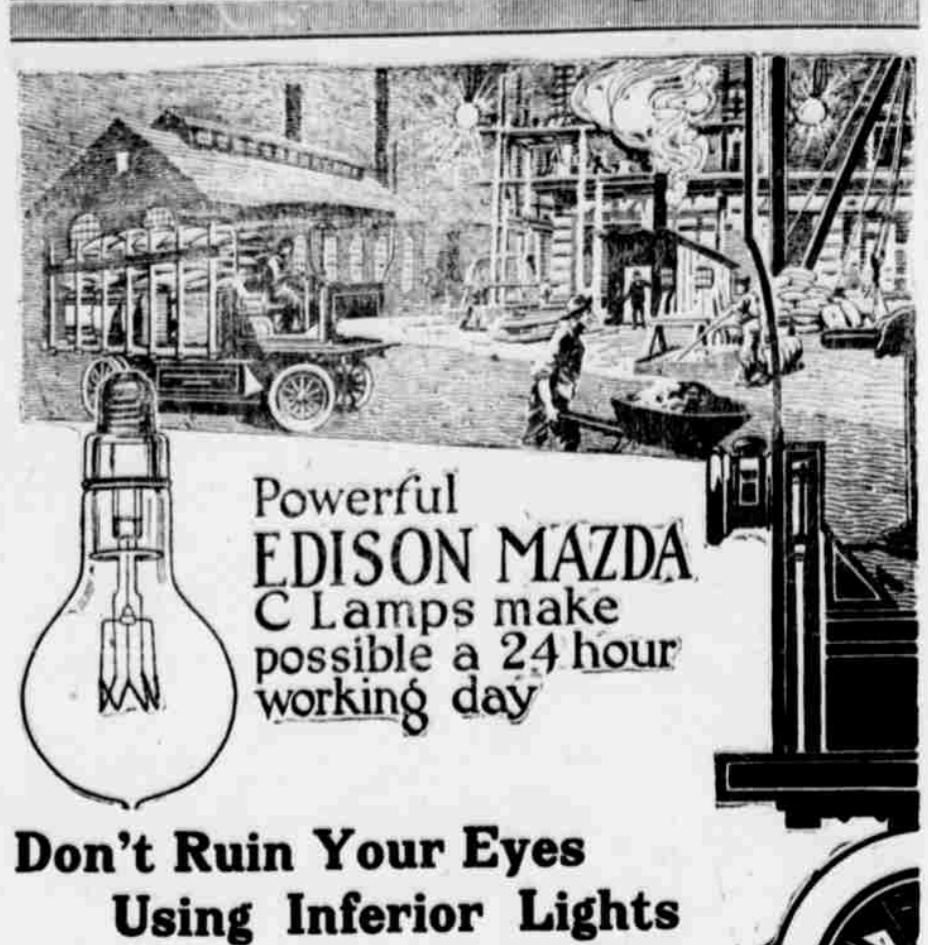
The Board instructed the county treasurer to refund to David Z. Mummert \$24.55 with 7 per cent interest from date of tax sale, Nov. 1, 1912, as

same was an illegal assessment, same being the fair association grounds.

The following claims were approved and clerk ordered to draw warrants on the respective funds in payment of same:

BRIDGE FUND	
Bladen Lbr Co	\$ 373 48
Chicago Lbr Co	439 40
Platt & Frees	347 12
Lee Arnett Co	112 00
Amboy Mill Co	2 00
Nuckolls County	168 25
Chicago Lbr Co	39 00
Lawrence Lbr Co	349 95
Proudfit Lbr Co	515 29
Steve Schutte	11 00
A. E. Strong	25 16
Chas Hunter	30 00
Malone Arnup Co	48 50
Boom Bros	67 70
J A Silvey Lbr Co	300 00
H Topham	19 00
Lee Columbia	22 00
POOR FARM FUND	
I W Crary Mer Co	46 47
Bessie Cain	72 00
I W Crary Mer Co	46 47
Denmen Mer Co	18 50
R S Mitchell	20 00
H S Reed	26 50
E A Creighton	100 00
Turnure & Son	34 65
Joe Fogel	26 50
R P Weesner & Co	113 46
S E Bailey	9 00
W E Devers	33 25
Turnure Bros	10 05
W E Devers	59 00
A L Ambrose	36 00
W E Devers	56 00
Pope Bros	34 70
E A Creighton	19 50
C L Egbert	150 00
Mary Lanning Hospital	102 90
Turnure & Son	15 75
R S Mitchell	47 00
J E Yost	5 15
J Wittwer	49 00
Curt Hasselbacker	6 75
GENERAL FUND	
Midland Chemical Co	55 00
J E Day	18 62
CD Robinson	235 26
C E Vaughn	5 50
E McBride	3 25
J. R. Horn	5 50
O C Teel	9 00
Malone-Gellatly	681 30
Gertrude L. Coon	176 30
A. D. Ranney	109 55
Edith McKeighan	106 97
Morhart Bros	139 42
H H Hunter	17 50
A D Ranney	19 42
C M Wilson	10 00
School Dist No 83	8 00
F E Buschow	4 15
G W Hummel	10 00
School Dist No 26	3 00
Chas Reddon	5 95
A D Ranney	52 50
J R Horn	4 00
C E Vaughn	7 25
E McBride	3 75
O C Teel	5 50
R S Mitchell	30 00
H Ludlow	5 00
E K Haas	3 00
School Dist No 18	8 00
School Dist No 61	8 00
E L Haskins	7 00
Edith L. McKeighan	4 00
R H Quiggle	8 00
Frank Ellinger	8 00
Fred Bright	2 00
Guide Rock State Bank	8 00
Yale & Iowne Mfg Co	4 22
Chas Brubaker	2 50
H Ludlow	4 55
J E Wolf	4 55
Jas Burden	5 88
Roy Sattley	4 80
Remington Type Co	126 10
Ed Garber	5 00
Edith McKeighan	11 00
Hansen Laundry	6 93
Zion Institutions Industries	10 21
G R Farmers' Institute	25 00
J W McCracken	24 00
United Floor Products Co	6 50
E S Garber	19 62
C F Pease Co	32 76
H A Stumpenhorst	110 60
Chris Shaefer	96 00
Chas Reddon	164 02
A B Pierce	114 00
E J Cox	104 80
Alex Bentley	60 30
R H Allen	105 00
W C Cox	78 71
A Guy	158 40
J B France	76 00
F Stokes	96 00
Fred Hurd	50 00
W E Patterson	76 15
A Sidlo	105 00
O C Cochrane	95 40
F Amack	102 00
W R Brooks	74 10
Annie B Spanogle	239 75
B F Perry	100 00
Floyd McCall	185 00
Wm H Thomas	98 65
Jas Hubatka	214 70
J F Knigge	188 50
Grant Shidler	190 38
A B McArthur	248 24
Blue Hill Leader	35 45
Harry Vaughn	88 25
Bladen Enterprise	23 75
Webster County Argus	16 15
Smith & McKimney	97 33

Board adjourned to July 31, 1917.	
B. F. PERRY, County Clerk.	
The Misses Sadie Trampe and Lela Barrett have accepted the positions in the Bell central office which were recently vacated by the Misses Sadie Fishbe and Ethel Smith.	



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