

REGISTERED MEN RACK BRAINS TO FILL IN PAPERS

Exemption Board Officials Say Average Man is Helpless When it Comes to Study- ing Questionnaires.

Oh, you registrants! Pretty soft, isn't it? Yes, bo! It's pretty soft. All you gotta do after you receive your questionnaire is to rack your brain for the necessary information in response to the unmythical questions. If you don't know how to do it, take your little questionnaire to your exemption board and ask assistance.

Here's one opportunity of a lifetime to slip one over on the legal luminaries who are acting as advisors of the advisory boards. They give a registrant copies of advice and assistance for which they receive no compensation.

The exemption and classification machinery got away with a bad start Monday morning—everything was new and even the most brilliant lawyers had to study up on the questionnaires before they could correctly advise registrants, but now the component parts of the gigantic machine are running smoothly, and registrants will have but little trouble in getting assistance in filling out the questionnaires properly.

About 850 Daily.

Approximately 850 questionnaires will be mailed daily to registrants up until January 15, 1918, from the six city exemption districts as follows:

Division No. 1—W. G. Ure, chairman, Fifth and Twelfth wards, fire barn, Twenty-second and Ames, approximately 180 out of a total of 3,141.

Division No. 2—Perry Wheeler, chairman, Second, Fourth and Tenth wards, city hall, South Side, approximately 470 out of a total of 3,408.

Division No. 3—C. C. Redwood, secretary, Third and Eighth wards, Patterson block, approximately 200 out of a total of 3,988.

Division No. 4—Clyde Sunblad, chairman, First, Second and Seventh wards, 290 Brandeis block, 215 out of a total of 2,717.

Division No. 5—Charles Foster, chairman, Sixth, Ninth and Eleventh wards, county court house, 171 out of a total of 3,678.

Division No. 6—O. J. Pickard, chairman, Benson, 90 out of a total of 1,941.

Exemption boards are having much grief caused by registrants who want to leave the city and put up the plea that the questionnaires will not reach them in time, and they want to know if the exemption officials will slip them a questionnaire and permit them to fill it out before they absent themselves from the city.

To all these inquiries there is a most euphatic "No." To accommodate a few, say the officials, would be the same as throwing a monkey-wrench into a piece of machinery. Everything would have to stop and a lot of extra work would be necessary to unravel the mess and get things working in unison.

"It is surprising," commented one official, "how so many men who are presumed to be of average intelligence are unable to fill out even a small part of the questionnaire. They appear to need help on every little matter, or else they are adopting the 'Let-George-do-it' attitude." Really, if the situation wasn't so serious it would be amusing for one to stand in the board room and listen to the numerous nonsensical questions propounded by registrants.

RIVAL RED CROSS WORKERS WAR AT UNION STATION

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of offering free rides downtown to the passengers on incoming trains who would buy Red Cross memberships. The women had two automobiles placarded with Red Cross slogans and were attired in the same Red Cross nurse costume and veils worn by Mrs. Stokes' committee.

Say They're Handicapped.

"They're taking all our business away. We can't sell memberships when the other women offer the passengers a free ride," went one.

"They haven't been authorized to wear the Red Cross nurse outfit," said another.

"What difference does it make? The membership all go to the Red Cross, don't they?" one unbiased person wanted to know.

"It makes a lot of difference. We're working under the women's committee and we won't have any memberships to turn in. Mrs. Smith and her committee are working for the automobile dealers and they'll get credit for all the names obtained here," was the reply.

Mrs. Johnson threw up her hands in despair. She telephoned Mrs. Syfert. "What shall I do?" she asked.

Mrs. Syfert then went into executive session with the campaign committee.

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ASSASSIN'S BOMB WRECKS HOME OF GOV. STEPHENS

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the resignation of Governor Hiram W. Johnson, who went to Washington to assume his duties as United States senator. Previously Stephens resigned as representative in congress from the Tenth California district at the solicitation of Governor Johnson, who appointed him lieutenant governor to succeed the late John M. Eshleman.

At the opening of the 1917 legislature Mr. Stephens in his capacity as lieutenant governor presided for several weeks over the senate. In March following the legislative recess Governor Johnson retired and Mr. Stephens automatically succeeded to the governorship.

Police Find No Clue.

Police were without a clue today to the identity of the persons thought to be responsible for the explosion last night.

Police today attributed the explosion to dynamite, but rejected the theory that the explosive had been thrown against the southwest foundation from an alleyway, a distance of approximately 40 feet.

No motive has been conceived yet for what is thought to have been an attempt on the life of the governor. It was pointed out by friends that his official life as governor since he succeeded United States Senator Johnson has been entirely free from threatening letters, even from persons who may have had fancied grievances.

It was pointed out that a charge of dynamite could have been placed against the rear of the house while the watchman was making his rounds.

Big Reward Offered.

Reward of \$1,000 for arrest and conviction of persons responsible for the explosion at the executive mansion, which was "a deliberate attempt upon the life of the governor of this state and members of his immediate household," was offered in a resolution adopted today by the Sacramento board of city commissioners.

Five-Story Warehouse Flooded When Pipe Bursts

Firemen worked several hours Tuesday morning to prevent thousands of dollars' worth of fruits and vegetables in a five-story warehouse at 1208 Howard street from being ruined by water.

A sprinkler head in the warehouse of Blotcky Commission company blew out and the five-story was flooded with water. Several fire companies answered the alarm when the sprinkler system automatically sent it in.

A frozen pipe caused the sprinkler head to burst.

Nurse on Trial For Murder At Last Acquitted

Dedham, Mass., Dec. 18.—Miss Harriet A. Varney, a nurse of West Upton, was found not guilty of the murder of Mrs. Pauline Keyes, the ten months' bride of George H. Keyes, a Boston real estate man, by a jury in the Norfolk county superior court here early today. The jury deliberated more than four hours.

WITNESS SAYS HE WARNED HOOVER OF SUGAR FAMINE

Washington, Dec. 18.—Sugar men saw the danger of a shortage early last spring because of stories of a fictitious famine, and later when they began to realize the large amounts being sent abroad, Earl T. Babst, president of the American Sugar Refining company, today testified before the senate investigating committee.

Babst said that in May he warned Food Administrator Hoover that famine stories circulated in February and March would have a serious effect and again in June predicted to Mr. Hoover a shortage this fall because so much sugar was being sent abroad. Babst pointed out that his company advertised extensively during the summer that there was no prospect of a shortage if people would not hoard, and added that his company took only two foreign orders after June 28. These, he said, were filled at the earnest plea of the British royal commission that some sugar was needed there. The total shipped abroad this year, he testified, was 423,000 tons.

Food Administrator Hoover today made another intellectual attempt to be heard at the senate sugar investigation. Chairman Reed said that, while he wished to treat Mr. Hoover with all courtesy, he saw no reason why witnesses waiting to testify should be displaced at this time.

Government Contributes To Jewish Relief in Palestine

Washington, Dec. 18.—The State department today telegraphed to American Consul General Garrett at Alexandria, Egypt, \$185,000 for the relief of the 10,000 sufferers at Jerusalem in want of food and other supplies.

Consul General Garrett was directed to proceed immediately to Jerusalem to take charge of the distribution of this fund and the supplies. The money was collected by a Jewish organization, but the supplies are to be distributed among the sufferers without regard to race.

HOUSE WILL VOTE ON SUFFRAGE BILL JANUARY TENTH

Rules Committee Reaches Agreement to Have Test of Strength Come at This Date.

Washington, Dec. 18.—Vote in the house on the woman suffrage constitutional amendment Thursday, January 10, was assured today when the rules committee agreed on that date.

On a test vote today indicating sentiment in the house toward the woman suffrage constitutional amendment, the suffragists polled seven more than a two-thirds vote. The question was on referring suffrage resolutions to the new woman suffrage committee as the suffragists wished, instead of the elections committee as the anti-suffragists asked.

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WILLIAM SPANGENBERG, 2725 So. 20th St.

The judges were Mr. H. H. Allen of the Chicago Lumber Company, Mr. S. Frank, south-side stockman, and Mr. Charles Marmion of the National Refining Company.

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Telephone men from the Bell System, now with the army in France, recently completed the first all-American telephone system over-seas. Cable dispatches to the press say that it is a great treat for the officers to use an American-built telephone system after trying to talk on the lines in use over there.

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LOTHROP 24th and Lothrop Today—Irene Fenwick—Owen Moore, in A GIRL LIKE THAT		
SUBURBAN Phone Callax 2841 Today—WALT WHITMAN, in "The Tar-Heeled Warrior"		