

## DRAFT LAW IS UPHELD BY U. S. SUPREME COURT

Government is Given Power to Compel Men to Render Military Service.

Washington, Jan. 7.—The selective service act was today held as constitutional by the United States supreme court.

The government's contention that the power given congress to declare war includes power to compel citizens to render military service both at home and abroad was sustained by the court.

Chief Justice White, who delivered the unanimous opinion, in a brief statement declared that after considering the various contentions the conclusion had been reached that most of them were imaginary rather than real.

### Decision on Appeal.

The decision resulted from the appeals of 13 cases growing out of convictions under the selective service act, five coming from New York, three from Ohio, four from Minnesota and one from Georgia. Constitutionality of the act was questioned in all the appeals.

The cases from New York were those of Louis Kramer, Morris Becker, Emma Goldman, Alexander Berkman and Meyer Graubard. The first four were convicted of attempting to induce others of draft age not to register and an additional charge of failure to register was made against Kramer, who was sentenced to two years imprisonment. Becker was sentenced to one year and eight months in jail, while Emma Goldman and Berkman were ordered imprisoned for two years and fined \$10,000

## Wolverton Tries to Land Biggest Insurance Plum for This City

Ed Wolverton of Omaha has thrown his hat into the ring for the highest honor in the world's life insurance field—the presidency of the \$200,000 club. This club is composed of all New York Life Insurance company agents who write \$200,000 or more of insurance in any one year; last year it had 290 members in the whole world.

"Big Ed" Wolverton has been with the company for 16 years, and he is a hustler with a capital "H." He has qualified for the \$200,000 club every year since 1905, and he now proposes to go after the biggest plum of all.

If he lands it, Omaha will be advertised in a unique and far-reaching manner; for the president of this club is the shining star among the vast army of life insurance agents. And the city where he lives is advertised along with him, as there will be one or two members of the club with their wives from every state in the union and every civilized country in the world, all assembled in one great convention hall at the annual meeting of the club.

Never before has a city of the middle west captured the honor of having a president of this international club. A St. Louis man got it last year; in each, a one-year sentence was given Graubard for failing to register.

### Work Against Draft.

Charles E. Ruthenberg, Albert Wagenknecht and Charles Becker were convicted in the Ohio federal district court on a charge of inducing Alphon J. Schue not to register.

Each man was sentenced to one year's imprisonment in the Stark county workhouse at Canton, O. The Minnesota cases were those of Joseph F. Arver, Alfred F. Grahl, Otto and Walter Wangerin, indicted for failing to register and sentenced to serve one year each in the Minnesota state reformatory. The Georgia case was based on the refusal of the federal district court to grant a writ of habeas corpus to Albert Jones, a negro arrested and confined in jail for refusing to register on June 5,

1915 and 1916 the honor was carried off by Chicago men. The largest cities have had a monopoly.

But Wolverton's hustle and tirelessness and enthusiasm stand a big chance to bring the honor to Omaha. Mr. Wolverton has received letters from President Darwin P. Kingsley, General Counsel McIntosh and other high officers of the company, commending him highly and expressing



Ed Wolverton. Skoglund Photo.

the belief that he can pull the honor to Omaha if anybody can.

The contest runs for one year, ending June 30, 1918, at midnight. Mr. Wolverton has written \$600,000 of insurance up to date since July 1. He says he is in the fight to get a total of \$2,000,000 for the year, which will set a record for individual work in the life insurance field.

## POLICE SAY "RED EYE" WAS SERVED IN PLACE OF TEA

Morals Squad Swoops Down Upon Alleged "Tea Festival" and Arrests Seven Guests; Six Are Fined.

"Tea parties" are taboo by police. Mrs. Irma Fulton, 2201 North Twenty-first street, told Police Judge Fitzgerald Monday morning that she was serving tea at her home when the morals squad rudely interfered and arrested her and seven of her guests.

Sergeant Murphy admitted that the liquid was served from a tea pot, but asserted that it was good old "red eye."

He further testified that one of her guests had jumped from the window when the police arrived and that he ran so fast he could not be sure whether he was black or white.

The other guests, five men and two girls, were in court with Mrs. Fulton. Judge Fitzgerald opined that a party at that hour of the morning was questionable, and fined Mrs. Fulton \$15 and costs on a charge of keeping an ill-governed house.

Thomas Mayer, Louis Brown, Jack Price, Jake Tucker and Chris Jensen were assessed \$2.50 and costs each. Elsie Wentworth and Hazel Farrell were discharged.

### Proprietor of Pool Hall And Many Inmates Fined

Charles Johnson, proprietor of the Ak-Sar-Ben pool hall, 509 1/2 South Sixteenth street, raided Saturday night by the morals squad, was fined \$15 and costs in police court Monday morning. Thirty inmates were either discharged or given light fines.

## A Sale of Hudson Seal Muffs

25% less than the prevailing market price. Choice pelts made into the very best of the new styles. The reduction is just another interesting feature of the January sales.

\$10.13, \$15, \$20.63, \$24.38  
The Fur Shop—Second Floor.

## January in the Men's Shop

### The Shirt Sale

Many men are taking advantage of it because both values and patterns are exceptionally good—French and stiff cuffs.

\$2.50 shirts, \$2.00  
\$2.00 shirts, \$1.65  
\$1.50 shirts, \$1.35  
Monarch shirts \$1.25 while they last.

### Mufflers, Less Than Regular Prices

Knit styles, silks with fringed ends—any color you may desire.

### Men's Gloves

For street wear and business occasions, light weight kids for dress wear. Gloves for driving. All shades of tan and gray, beside black. Size 7 to 10, including cadets—\$1.50 to \$3.50.

To the left as you enter.

### Sale Children's Hose 25c a Pair

Fine ribbed hose—the kind that wear and give the best of service. Sizes 5 to 8, Tuesday at the special price of 25c a pair.

### Bleached Turkish Towels Reduced

35c QUALITY, PRICED AT 25c  
40c QUALITY, PRICED AT 29c  
65c QUALITY, PRICED AT 50c  
85c QUALITY, PRICED AT 69c

### Hemstitched Damask Lunch Cloths

\$4.75 36-inch H. S. Cloths, \$3.38  
\$6.00 46-inch H. S. Cloths, \$4.50  
\$7.50 54-inch H. S. Cloths, \$5.89

All fancy linens left in stock go for 1/2 price.

## THOMPSON, BELDEN & CO.

The Fashion Center for Women

## The Undermuslin Sale Tuesday

Odd numbers and garments slightly soiled from showing. All from regular stock—Greatly Reduced in Price.

### Chemise, Envelope Chemise, Combinations.

A whole range of good styles at new low prices Tuesday. Sizes 34 to 44—

\$1.00 QUALITIES, AT 69c  
\$1.35 QUALITIES, AT 98c  
\$1.75 QUALITIES, AT \$1.29  
\$2.25 QUALITIES, AT \$1.69  
\$3.00 QUALITIES, AT \$2.19  
\$4.00 QUALITIES, AT \$3.29  
\$5.00 QUALITIES, AT \$3.49  
\$6.50 QUALITIES, AT \$4.98

### Women's Gowns

Hand and machine made. Two styles, high neck, long sleeve or slip over—short sleeves.

85c gowns.....69c  
\$1.35 gowns.....98c  
\$1.75 gowns.....\$1.29  
\$2.35 gowns.....\$1.69  
\$3.00 gowns.....\$2.19  
\$4.25 gowns.....\$3.19  
\$5.00 gowns.....\$3.98  
\$6.00 gowns.....\$4.98

## There is Every Reason to Buy Linens During the January Sale

Such assortments, qualities and low prices cannot come again. Women will do well to anticipate their future wants

These Bargains for Tuesday.

Very Special Values in Pattern Cloths—Damask cloths of our own importation. Very fine in quality and low in price—

\$4 Pattern Cloths, \$2.98  
\$4.50 Pattern Cloths, \$3.75  
Extra Napkin Values—

\$4.00 Napkins, \$3.75 a doz.  
\$6.75 Napkins, \$5.00 a doz.  
\$6.89 Napkins, \$5.38 a doz.

### Linen Hemstitched Guest Towels

50c Guest Towels, 39c  
75c Guest Towels, 50c  
85c Guest Towels, 65c  
\$1 Guest Towels, 85c

### Huck Toweling

By the Yard  
50c (15 in.) toweling, 40c  
65c (15 in.) toweling, 55c  
75c (15 in.) toweling, 65c  
75c (18 in.) toweling, 65c  
85c (20 in.) toweling, 75c  
\$1 (22 in.) toweling, 90c

### Towel Special—

Three hundred dozen H. S. Huck Towels—Tuesday, 29c. Hemstitched and embroidered pillow cases, \$2.50 quality, at \$2 a pair.

Growth in 1916, \$286,737.75.

Growth in 1917, \$373,477.95.

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT

January 1, 1918.

## HOME BUILDERS (Inc.)

### ASSETS

Real Estate Mortgages and Contracts.....	\$569,397.05
Uncompleted Building Contracts.....	163,125.87
Machinery and Equipment, Tools, Supplies, Etc.....	11,162.54
Bills Receivable.....	20,215.00
Stocks and Bonds.....	6,585.54
Real Estate.....	4,296.93
Accrued Interest.....	2,931.51
Loans on Home Builders' Stock.....	6,072.59
Furniture and Fixtures.....	1,829.67
Accounts Receivable.....	696.50
Home Builders' Treasury Stock.....	46,257.38
Dividends Receivable.....	1,412.62
Cash on Hand and with Fiscal Agents.....	58,811.82
<b>TOTAL ASSETS.....</b>	<b>\$887,794.52</b>

### LIABILITIES

Capital Stock:—Participating.....	\$400,000.00
Non-participating.....	331,449.00
Surplus.....	92,000.00
Reserve Fund.....	11,576.49
Undivided Profits.....	9,225.13
Accounts Payable for Labor and Material on Construction Work (Not Yet Due).....	9,976.26
Cash Dividends Payable.....	33,567.64
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES.....</b>	<b>\$887,794.52</b>

### Certificate of Public Accountant

We hereby certify that we have audited the books and accounts of the HOME BUILDERS (Inc.) for six months ending December 25th, 1917, and have prepared therefrom the above Financial Statement; and we further certify that same is in accordance with their books and records as at December 31, 1917. Signed this 3rd day of January, 1918.

### DWORAK-URE AUDIT COMPANY.

(Signed) By E. A. DWORAK, Certified Public Accountant.

### COMPARATIVE STATEMENT—Showing Growth By Years

	Resources	Surplus and Undivided Profits
January 1st, 1912.....	\$ 17,127.65	\$ 3,542.57
January 1st, 1913.....	55,005.40	8,721.86
January 1st, 1914.....	85,308.39	17,965.53
January 1st, 1915.....	124,685.72	39,518.76
January 1st, 1916.....	227,578.82	80,737.00
January 1st, 1917.....	514,316.57	101,225.13
January 1st, 1918.....	887,794.52	1,000,000.00
1912—Authorized Capital Stock.....		200,000.00
1915—Authorized Capital Stock.....		500,000.00
1918—Authorized Capital Stock.....		1,000,000.00

### Evidence of Popular Confidence

One cent per share was carried to the Reserve Fund and one cent per share was carried to the Surplus Fund for all outstanding Participating Preferred Shares, advancing the value of participating shares from \$1.22 to \$1.23 per share.

Home Builders contracts to construct large buildings as well as dwellings. Its building contracts now under way aggregate nearly half a million dollars, one of which is a warehouse for the United States Government.

Home Builders finances a portion of the cost of many of these buildings and receives mortgages upon the completed properties. The company also takes contracts to construct buildings financed entirely by the owner.

Home Builders' cash receipts during 1917 were nearly one-third greater than those of 1916.

Home Builders' success is due to the solid foundation upon which it rests and to its careful, conservative management. Its growing popularity is evidenced by the Financial Statement above.

## HOME BUILDERS (Inc.)

American Security Company, Fiscal Agents.

G. A. ROHRBOUGH, Pres.

OMAHA, NEB.

C. C. SHIMER, Sec.



## Schumann-Heink makes a masterpiece of an Irish folk-song

Danny Boy Ernestine Schumann-Heink  
Victrola Red Seal Record 88892. Twelve-inch, 33.

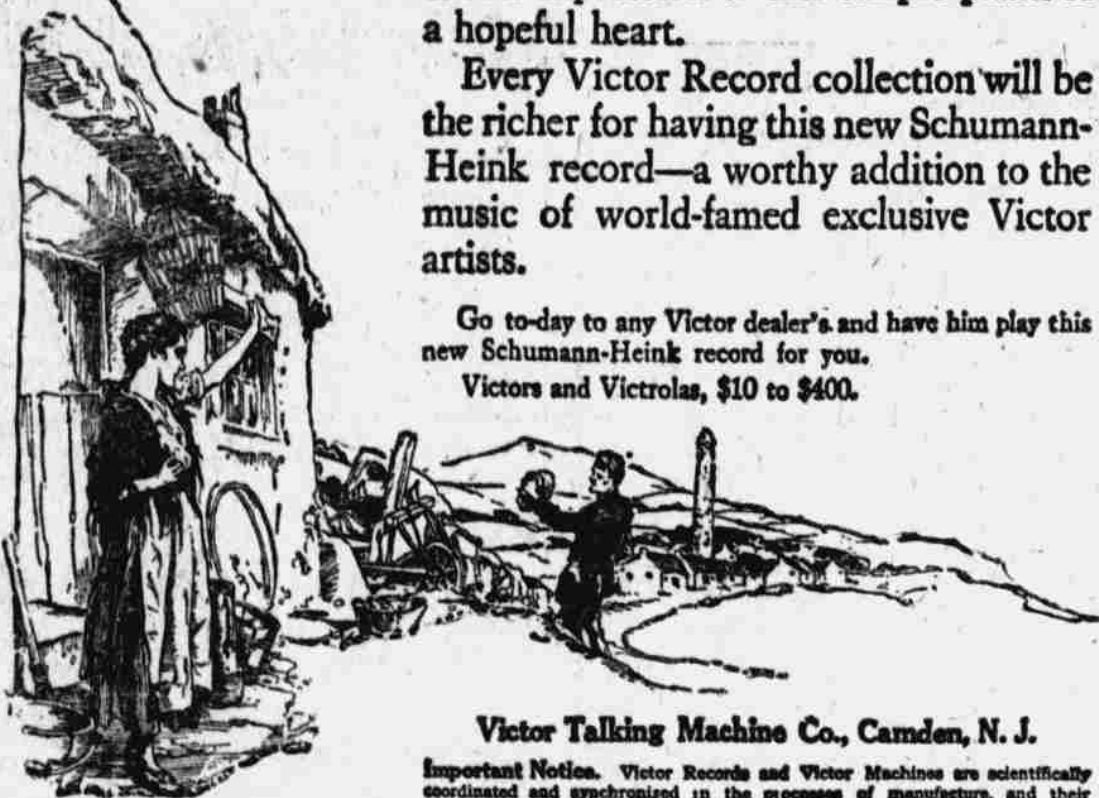
In "Danny Boy" there is the every-day touch of devotion and pathos that makes a song extremely human.

There is a seeming bond of harmony between such a song and the rich, sympathetic contralto of Schumann-Heink.

Her glorious voice gives beautiful and tender expression to this simple plaint of a hopeful heart.

Every Victor Record collection will be the richer for having this new Schumann-Heink record—a worthy addition to the music of world-famed exclusive Victor artists.

Go to-day to any Victor dealer's and have him play this new Schumann-Heink record for you. Victors and Victrolas, \$10 to \$400.



Victor Talking Machine Co., Camden, N. J.

Important Notice. Victor Records and Victor Machines are scientifically synchronized and synchronized in the process of manufacture, and their use, one with the other, is absolutely essential to a perfect reproduction. New Victor Records demonstrated at all dealers on the 1st of each month.

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