

WAR DEPARTMENT ADOPTS NEW TAG SYSTEM FOR ARMY

Hope to Avoid Duplication of Tragedy of Nameless Dead in Tuscania Disaster; In Effect Feb. 28.

(By Associated Press.)
Washington, Feb. 9.—To insure prompt identification of enlisted men who may be killed or wounded, a numbered tag system similar to that in the British and French armies has been adopted by the War department. Adjutant General McCain announced tonight that a number would be stamped on the metal identification tag each soldier is required to wear and that a similar number will be placed opposite the man's name in the War department roster.

The new system will be put into effect February 28 and thereafter all men entering the service will be given a numbered tag when enrolled. By this arrangement the department hopes that there will be no possibility of officials not being able to identify soldiers' bodies because of blank tags such as worn by some of the men who went down on the Tuscania.

Victims' Tags Blank.
News dispatches today said blank tags were found on the bodies of 44 men washed ashore, although army regulations require that the soldier's name must be stamped on the tag even though he is not assigned to an organization. When he is assigned, regiment and company designation and his individual number in that company is to be added immediately to the other side of the tag.

The new identification system has been in preparation for some time and was carefully worked out by the adjutant general. Extreme care has been taken to obviate any doubt as to the identity of a soldier who may be killed or wounded.

Avoid Duplication.
Consecutive numbers will not be given men of the same surname. The numbers will never be changed and will never be assigned to other men. The numbers will start at "one" and continue without limit and no alphabetical prefix or affix will accompany them. Blocks of numbers will be allotted by the adjutant general to General Pershing, department commanders, commanding officers of divisional camps, ports of embarkation and recruit depots.

The department thinks it unnecessary at present to number officers and civilians in the service, but should it be deemed necessary later the process will be independent of the enlisted men. The British number neither officers nor civilians. The French number officers, but not civilians.

As it will take some time to number soldiers' records at the War department, commanders have been instructed to include in casualty reports the full name, grade and organization of each man reported, as well as his number after numbers have been assigned.

Former Choir Boy to Pay Death Penalty for Murder

New York, Feb. 9.—It took a jury only 20 minutes today to decide that Paul Chapman, a 16-year-old youth, should pay the death penalty for having participated in the robbery of a Brooklyn store last October, during which Harry Reginsburg, the proprietor, and his brother were shot to death and his wife badly injured. Chapman, a former choir boy, six feet tall and looking older than he is, received the jury's verdict of guilty stoically.

Women to Serve on Congressional Committees

Washington, Feb. 9.—The republican congressional campaign committee tonight adopted a rule providing for the appointment of women on congressional district committees in states where women vote and approved a recommendation for the selection of a new subcommittee on plans and scope of organization. The committee voted to reduce the membership of its executive committee from 17 to 7.

Start Tomorrow and Keep It Up Every Morning

Get in the habit of drinking a glass of hot water before breakfast.

We're not here long, so let's make our stay agreeable. Let us live well, eat well, digest well, work well, sleep well, and look well. What a glorious condition to attain, and yet, how very easy it is if one will only adopt the morning inside bath.

Folks who are accustomed to feel dull and heavy when they arise, splitting headache, stuffy from a cold, foul tongue, nasty breath, acid stomach, can, instead, feel as fresh as a daisy by opening the sluices of the system each morning and flushing out the whole of the internal poisonous stagnant matter.

Everyone, whether ailing, sick or well, should, each morning, before breakfast, drink a glass of real hot water with a teaspoonful of limestone phosphate in it to wash from the stomach, liver and bowels the previous day's indigestible waste, sour bile and poisonous toxins. The action of hot water and limestone phosphate on an empty stomach is wonderfully invigorating. It cleans out all the sour fermentations, gases, waste and acidity and gives one a splendid appetite for breakfast.

The millions of people who are bothered with constipation, bilious spells, stomach trouble; others who have sallow complexions are urged to get a quarter pound of limestone phosphate from the drug store. This will cost very little, but is sufficient to make anyone a pronounced crank on the subject of morning-bathing before breakfast.—Advertisement.

Mrs. Linge Larsen Wins Sweater-Knitting Contest



Two hours before her only son's departure for Fort Riley, Mrs. Linge Larsen, 2461 South Eighteenth street, was announced first prize winner in the sweater-knitting contest of the National League for Woman's Service. Mrs. Larsen completed her sweater in eight hours and 25 minutes.

Mrs. William Archibald Smith, president of the service league, presented the sweater and a complete outfit and comfort kit to the young soldier, Adolph Linge Larsen, who enlisted in the hospital corps. Young Larsen was selected in the first draft, but was exempted because he is the sole relative Mrs. Larsen possesses and had contributed to her support.

Since his exemption, the two planned out how the mother could manage even if the son entered the service of Uncle Sam and when this was arranged, the mother, keeping back the tears from her eyes, bravely gave her consent to his enlistment.

Mrs. Julia Stenicka won second prize for the best work, though the contestants themselves who helped judge the winners, had a hard time judging the relative excellence of Mrs. Larsen's and Mrs. Stenicka's sweaters. It took Mrs. Stenicka 10 hours and 24 minutes to make her sweater. Miss Helen Winkleman, who knitted a sweater in 12 hours and 8 minutes, won a prize for the youngest knitter.

The prizes were silver handled knitting needles and a knitting bracelet.

The records for the other contestants were Mrs. Joseph Rynes, 8 hours, 38 minutes; Mrs. John Skoumal, 9 hours, 7 minutes; and Mrs. Etta Siegel, 13 hours and 30 minutes.

U. S. Labor Agitators Held in London Jail

London, Feb. 9.—Clarence Boyington and Paul Aloysius Manning, both American citizens, and William Lucas and Arthur Tilly were held, without bail in the Bow street court today on a charge of attempting to cause disaffection among the civil population. It is alleged that they distributed inflammatory leaflets during a meeting of the engineers' society in London.

Steamship Full of U. S. Grain Torpedoed

Amsterdam, Feb. 9.—The steamship Frielau, loaded with grain from an American port and presumably bound for Rotterdam was torpedoed yesterday, after being bombarded. Six men were killed, according to the Handelsblad. Twenty-nine survivors were landed at Terschelling this morning.

SWITCHMEN ASK SALARY INCREASE

Effort to Hold Fast to Eight-Hour Day Is to Prevent Accidents Due to Fatigue.

Washington, Feb. 9.—Presentation of requests by switchmen for increased pay and time and a half for work beyond eight hours developed into a discussion before the railroad wage board today of the practicability of any readjustment of hours now when there is a shortage of men which would hamper operation of trains.

S. E. Heberling, president of the switchmen's union said the eight hour law was not being generally observed because overtime was not penalized and asked that instead of a pro rata basis, time and a half be imposed for all work beyond the basic day.

"Would that be advisable with all industries handicapped for men?" asked Secretary Lane, chairman of the commission.

Would Prevent Accidents.

"Where are you going to get the extra men?" asked Commissioner Covington. Mr. Heberling said it was desired to keep the day as closely as possible to an eight hour basis to minimize accidents due to fatigue. Secretary Lane remarked on casualty figures for switchmen, showing a percentage greater than for the armies in Europe.

C. L. Darling of Spokane, Wash.,

and A. S. Bimrose of Portland, Ore., appeared for the train dispatchers and asked the government for substantial wage increases.

"If the railroad presidents would only meet us half way, I would not be in Washington today," said Mr. Bimrose.

"A little more vision would help," commented Commissioner McChord. The philosophy of tipping was expounded to an interested audience by Robert L. Mays, a dining car waiter, who spoke for unorganized negro employees. He said they received \$25 a month wages for 16 to 18 hours' daily work. When asked if they would consent to the elimination of tips and substitution of a higher salary, he said he believed both waiters and porters would be glad to forego tips if their pay was increased \$100 and up monthly.

Italians Drop Ton of Bombs on Austrian Lines

Rome, Feb. 9.—There was considerable artillery fire along the Italian mountain front between the Brenta and Piave yesterday although unfavorable weather affected the operations of both the artillery and the infantry, the war office announced today. Italian aircraft carried out an effective raid on the rear of the Austrian lines, dropping a ton of bombs.

French Deputies Vote Confidence in Government

Paris, Feb. 9.—The chamber of deputies today gave a vote of confidence in the government following an interpellation by the socialist deputies Renaud and Moutet regarding the organization of military justices. The vote was 395 to 113.

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The Moral Is to Keep Yourself Well

A neglected cold leaves an after effect of a congested membrane. It may be in the nose, the throat, or the lungs. Sometimes it is in the stomach and intestines. Perhaps you have grown used to it, and fail to notice any soreness. But it's there. A fresh cold aggravates it. Soon you have chronic catarrh. In time, that harbors a cold and forms a point of infection. It spreads until your whole body suffers from systemic catarrh. Then you are really in danger. Don't wait for that.

It will soothe and heal the mucous membrane, no matter where it is affected. It will help clear out your system. It will build up your strength. It will counteract the poisons the congested membrane is leaving in your blood.

But don't wait until you are sick. While wonderful cures of chronic colds and catarrh by Peruna are daily reported, and in the last forty years have been so numerous as to make Peruna the nation's Remedy, it is better to stay well. Have Peruna at hand, use it freely at the first symptoms, and you will keep your body so well fortified that you will be free of colds, free of catarrhal symptoms, and enjoy your life to the full.

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All samples, small lots and discontinued patterns will be closed out in this sale. Prices are—
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