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WRITER'S MIX-UP INVOLVES DRAFT

Hundreds of Registrants May Face Serious Charge, It Now Appears

LOCAL BOARDS BLAMED

Over Enlisted Men "Doing Their Bit" in Trenches Thought Affected

The official draft numbers from the War Department at Washington had reached the registration headquarters in Harrisburg at noon today, according to the statement of Col. Frank Sweeney, who is in charge.

Hundreds, and even thousands, of persons between the ages of twenty-one and thirty, who are now in the trenches, are being drafted.

BLAME LOCAL BOARDS

A big majority of these registration cards sent in, however, do not give the addresses of the men, or even the ward in which they claim residence, so that they cannot be located to be given a serial number.

TYPICAL

In the cases of the registered men who have enlisted in the National Guard or in the navy or Federal army, the district boards are sending the registration cards to the district boards whenever the enlisted man's proper district can be determined.

TO KEEP UP POLICE SERVICE

Superintendent Robinson today issued instructions to all police captains in the city to file with him immediately the names of all policemen who are likely to be called to the first draft.

OPPIUM DEN RAIDED

Police of the Eleventh and Winter streets station last night raided the alleged opium den of P. C. Yung, a Chinese, on Alder street near Vine.

TODAY'S MARRIAGE LICENSES

Elroy L. Rogers, 1530 W. 18th st., and Elsie Anderson, 1530 W. 18th st., and Agnes Lincoln Johnson, 2050 Girard ave., and Agnes E. Freeman, 2050 Girard ave.

Drafted; Father Hangs Himself

EXCITING SCENES MARK RACE RIOTS IN THE STREETS OF CHESTER, PA.



TRANSIT PROGRESS NOW UP TO CONTRACTORS

Director Twining Expects Decision on Acceptance at Old Prices Within Few Days

Transit Director Twining expects to have definite word within a day or two from the three firms which were awarded the Broad street tube and the delivery loop contracts.

It will be necessary for these concerns to make known their intentions when they are called upon to sign the contracts awarded to them yesterday.

A. L. Drum, chief engineer for the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company, and Director Twining will continue their conferences on the transit lease today, and this afternoon William Draper Lewis, legal transit adviser for the administration, will meet the transit director.

Mr. Lewis does not expect to return to Maine until the end of the lease, but he has agreed upon it and it is ready to be put into legal form.

The high record revenues and profits shown in the annual report of the transit company, which was submitted to the directors yesterday, is expected to have but little influence upon the lease negotiations.

In a brief review of the lease negotiations, which followed the following paragraph, which is significant in view of the fact that the basis for a new lease, eliminating the 5 per cent guarantee, has been established.

The regular monthly reports had shown in advance the constant increase in the company's gross earnings, and the annual report only gave the summary for the year.

Director Twining today awarded to the Keystone State Construction Company the contract for the concrete floor of the Frankford "L" line, between Callowhill and Dyer streets.

HOME DEFENSE RESERVE DECIDING ON UNIFORM

Khaki Will Be Worn, With Armbands of City Colors

Several patterns of uniform are being considered by members of the Home Defense Reserve, but the only definite action yet taken has been to agree upon arm-bands of the city colors bearing the initials H. D. R.

Some of the questions discussed were the sanitation at the cantonment, ways and means of getting sufficient lumber to the site in order to carry on the work rapidly and the probability of ordering some of the "bookies" to the camp within the next two weeks.

Freighter and British Cruiser Damaged

AN AMERICAN PORT, July 25.—The British freight steamer Richard D. Lar-ringa came into port this morning with her hull stove in.

NEW MID-SUMMER FASHIONS IN MISSES' SILK FROCKS

Developed in Taffeta, Charmeuse, Georgette, Taffeta and Georgette combination. Featured are simple shirtwaist frocks, tight-fitting basque effects and draped side skirt styles for the Miss of 14 to 18.

U. S. OFFICERS HOPEFUL, SECRETARY BAKER SAYS

Denies Army Mission Made Pessimistic Report on War Situation

WASHINGTON, July 25.—A published statement representing United States army officers just back from a long visit of inspection along the western front in France as being pessimistic as to the outcome of the effort of the Allied armies to make headway against the German forces brought from Secretary Baker a formal declaration that no member of the military mission holds the views attributed to the mission in the publication.

Members of the mission preferred not to express their views for publication, but it is not violating any confidence to say that they did not look upon the outcome of the great war in any pessimistic way.

Secretary Baker's formal denial was given to the press through the committee on public information. That it was intended as more than an ordinary statement was attested by the fact that it was signed by the Secretary of War.

It is essential, however, he added, that a clean and wholesome environment of the men stationed at Philadelphia be established and maintained.

Threatening-looking crowds of white men and negroes assembled around the Chester jail today when policemen removed scores of prisoners, arrested during last night's race riots, to the courtroom for hearings.

COL. LAWTON CONDUCTS CAMP MEADE INSPECTION

Sanitation Claimed to Be Excellent Except for Presence of Mosquitoes and Flies

BALTIMORE, Md., July 25.—Colonel F. W. Lawton, aid to Major General J. Franklin Bell, commander of the Eastern Department, including the Fourth Army Division, made an inspection this afternoon of Camp Meade, near Admiral, where the Pennsylvania conscripts for the huge national army will be trained for war service.

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MISSIS' DEPT.—4th FLOOR

STORE CLOSED ALL DAY SATURDAY

BONWIT TELLER & CO.

The Specialty Shop of Originations

CHESTNUT AT 13th STREET

Special for (Tomorrow) Friday

Misses' Serge and Silk Dresses

IF CITY GIVES WORD, DANIELS WILL MOVE

Navy Department Ready to Step in and Protect Men Against Vice

The Navy Department is ready to adopt measures which will protect every sailor and marine at the Philadelphia Navy Yard and the moment the local authorities notify the Navy Department that they are unable to correct the present evil conditions.

In answer to an inquiry Secretary Daniels said today that he had received a letter from Mayor Smith, of Philadelphia, with reference to the correction of conditions in the vicinity of the Philadelphia Navy Yard, and that he had replied to the Mayor.

Secretary Daniels has advised Mayor Smith that the Navy Department does not feel that it can go further at this time than to call the attention of the authorities of the State of Pennsylvania to the prevalence of the conditions complained of; that this department cannot assume the functions of the police.

It is essential, however, he added, that a clean and wholesome environment of the men stationed at Philadelphia be established and maintained.

CHICAGO, July 25.—Drenching night neighbors is not against the law in Chicago. William Felt turned a garden hose on a porch party next door and was arrested.

Cemetery Wants Gate Removed

Alleging that a gate in the back fence is a nuisance and permits trespassing on the burial ground, the trustees of Stephen Smith, deceased, and other representatives of the Olive Cemetery in West Philadelphia, today started suit against Daniel J. Barr, to have the gate removed.

YORK PASTOR RECEIVES CALL TO GAP

LANCASTER, Pa., July 25.—The Rev. Howard Glewiler, of York, has been called to the pastorate of the Presbyterian church at Gap, Lancaster County. He is a graduate of the Lebanon Valley College at Annville.

FINGERPRINT EXPERTS WANTED FOR U. S. ARMY

War Department May Make Records of All Soldiers in New National Army

The War Department is advertising today for fifty fingerprint experts through the Civil Service Commission, the first time in the history of the commission that such a request has come from the Government body.

GEORGE W. OCHS SEEKS NAME CHANGED TO "OAKES"

Petition Says German Title Has Become Obnoxious to Himself and His Sons

George Washington Ochs, former editor of the Public Ledger and manager of the Philadelphia Times, has petitioned Common Pleas Court to change his name to George W. Ochs Oakes, on the ground that his present name is German and will be obnoxious in this country on account of the crimes committed by the Teutons against humanity and civilization.

STRAWBRIDGE & CLOTHIER

ESPERANTISTA HOLDING THEIR DEKO KONGRESO

Philadelphia Doing Its Best to Provide Diverso, Including Preghego, Danco and a Teatrajhoj

The tenth congress of the Esperantista Association of North America opened today in the Chamber of Commerce, Widener Building. This is a low-brow way of announcing that the disciples of the universal language plan are holding their Deko Kongreso.

Followed the business of the day, with Henry W. Hentzel, of Philadelphia, in the chair. Reports from various societies all over the country were read, mostly in Esperanto; but one member resorted to English, in an eloquent appeal to the members to choose Green Acres, Me., for the next Kongreso.

This was James F. Morton, of New York city, who very nearly moved his audience to tears when he told of the "cool and bracing breezes wafted from the lake" and the open-air meetings planned "on the verdant banks."

Members declared that Maine was doubtless more of a summer place than Philadelphia.

For all its breezes Maine has no Valley Forge, and the Esperantists are going there on an Ekokurso, forlorn Windsor Hotelo che unun horo provide on Sabato.

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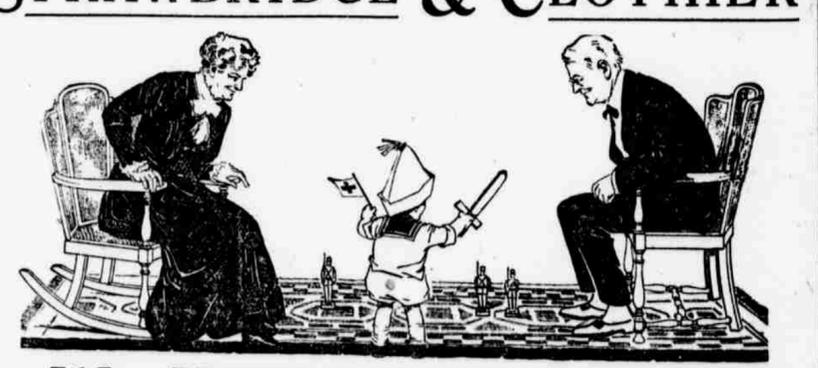
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We Have More Furniture for This August Sale

—Than we ever had before, and all the signs of the times give us assurance that we shall need more—not alone increased purchases to provide for the constant year-after-year natural growth of this business, but to meet the greater general demand for good merchandise which the country's increasing activities unmistakably indicate.

The Sale Starts Next Wednesday The Furniture Will be Ready for Inspection and Comparison To-morrow

And we are absolutely confident that inspection and comparison will prove two things: First, that we show the most attractive collection of desirable styles bought especially for the sale can be bought for outside of this Store. We are sure of this because it has proved true in for-sale. Summing up, the Sale comprises—

Sample Lines, Close-out Lots and Special Orders at Savings of 25 to 40 per Cent. and Our Entire Regular Stock Reduced.

Furniture, Third Floor; Metal Bedsteads and Bedding, Fourth Floor, East