

PHYSICAL DEFECTS SEND MANY HOME

Four Hundred Philadelphia Recruits at Camp Meade to Be Eliminated

LECTURES IN BARRACKS General Nicholson Predicts Soldiers Will Buy \$2,000,000 in Bonds

By a Staff Correspondent CAMP MEADE, Md., Oct. 8. More than 400 Philadelphians will be weeded out of the Seventy-ninth division because of physical defects, according to estimates made today by army surgeons.

Although detailed figures are not available, officers in Philadelphia units estimate that about four out of every hundred recruits fail to meet the rigid requirements of the army, and assert that if this ratio is maintained after the arrival of the next contingent, the total number of rejections will exceed 400.

Since Saturday twenty-eight men have been discharged from the 315th Infantry, ten from the 304th Engineers and twenty from the 311th Machine-gun Battalion. The rejections average about five to the company, which ranges in size from 100 to 150 men.

Little Penn was swept by a cold rain today and but little outside drilling was in order. Instead of doing the conventional three-mile hikes and severe setting-up exercises the men listened to lectures in their barracks.

Brigadier General J. W. Nicholson, in charge of the camp's Liberty Bond sale, today announced that the campaign would be opened officially next Saturday when Senator J. Hamilton Lewis will address the soldiers. On the following Thursday Secretary Baker will visit the camp and make a personal appeal for the loan.

As an incentive for the men to buy bonds General Nicholson has designed a service badge for every soldier who subscribes. The badge, similar in shape to other service badges that are awarded for meritorious conduct and in design will resemble the American flag.

The 311th Field Artillery jumped into the lead in the Liberty Loan campaign today by reporting a total of \$38,700, its nearest rival being the 313th Infantry, made up of Maryland men. This organization has a total of \$25,000.

"Instead of one million," said General Nicholson, "it looks as though we would sell two millions. The men are keen for the bonds and when the campaign is opened Saturday will get busy on their subscriptions."

Arrangements have been made to sell the bonds to soldiers on the basis of \$5 a month for 50 bonds and \$10 a month for 100 bonds. Payments for the bonds will be deducted from the pay of the soldiers.

The first enlisted man in Camp Meade to receive an official appointment as sergeant major in Thomas J. Law, of Edwardville, Pa., Law is a member of the 311th Machine-Gun Battalion, or what is known as one of the camp's suicide clubs. He was given a provisional appointment as sergeant major within five days of his arrival and today obtained his warrant. Law before entering the service was a jewelry salesman, but for several years worked on central Pennsylvania newspapers.

William J. Cavanaugh, a bank clerk from Ashley, Pa., also a member of the 311th Machine-Gun Battalion, has been made supply sergeant.

KERENSKY NAMES COALITION CABINET

Six Socialists and Three Constitutional Democrats Included in List

NEW PARLIAMENT MEETS Secret Night Session Is Held While Party Chiefs Confer With Government

PETROGRAD, Oct. 8.—Premier Kerensky today announced the composition of the new coalition cabinet, as follows: Premier and Commander-in-Chief, A. F. Kerensky.

Interior and Posts and Telegraphs, M. N. Khrushch.

Justice, M. Maliantovich. Foods and Supplies, M. Prokopovitch. Agriculture, M. Avskentseff.

Labor, M. Gvozdeff. Foreign Affairs, M. Tereschenko. Commerce and Industry, M. Konovalloff. Finance, M. Beraudsky.

War, General Verhovskiy. Marine, Admiral Verdervskiy. All the newly announced Ministers have been members of former cabinets under the provisional Government. The first six are Socialists and the next three are Constitutional Democrats.

The first session of the Preliminary Parliament has taken place, and it lasted far into the night, but it was secret and no correspondents were admitted.

(The Preliminary Parliament is a legislative body approved by the democratic congress. The Government gave notice it would not oppose such an organization so long as all parties are represented in it.)

About the same time an extraordinary conference was going on in the Winter Palace with representatives of the provisional government, delegates of the democratic congress and representatives of the different political parties taking part.

The president of the Democratic Congress will soon issue an appeal to the democrats of all Allied nations to work against all attempts to conclude a separate peace with the Central Empires. The appeal will be based on the ground that a separate peace on the part of any of Russia's Allies would be a series of blows to the new Russian democracy.

The Government has decided to increase the wages of railway employes by \$375,000,000 per year, but has declared it will not negotiate with railroad men now on strike. The leaders of the strike may be prosecuted.

ANTI-THUGGERY PARTY FORMED IN 41ST WARD

Title Pre-empted and Organizers Announce Fealty to "Town Meeting" Principles

A new party title, the "Anti-Thuggery party," was pre-empted today by the voters of the Forty-first Ward. No candidates on the new ticket have been named, but the pre-emptors announced that candidates would be selected by the Town Meeting party to be endorsed.

The pre-emptors were Harry K. Clark, 650 Van Dyke street; Andrew Brandis, 3432 Longshore street; Frank W. Bates, 7023 Hegerman street; George Wilson, 6540 Tulip street; and John L. Glenn, 6737 Torredale avenue.

HURLEY SEEKS AID IN CITY FOR GIGANTIC SHIP PROGRAM

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the Government to turn out every possible ship that the capacity of the shipyards will allow.

He started first at the Cramp shipyard and then proceeded down the river, stopping at the various plants along the Delaware. He was favorably impressed by the showing made along the Delaware despite the great handicap in the way of labor shortage.

Yesterday Chairman Hurley visited the Sparrows Point plant of the Bethlehem Steel Corporation near Baltimore.

Lord Northcliffe has said that the American Government must produce 6,000,000 tons of shipping a year, if it is to do no more than supply its armies in the field. The Shipping Board has announced a program that calls for the completion of enough ship construction by the close of 1917 to give the boat control over the total tonnage of 9,200,000 tons, including along with ships built, the German ships that were seized and the ships commandeered.

It is very doubtful whether his program can be carried out unless labor-skilled labor—is supplied in greater quantities than are now available.

NAVAL WORK NEEDS WATERWAY IMPROVEMENT URGED AS WAR MEASURE

Representatives Moore and Small Discuss It With Secretary Daniels

WASHINGTON, Oct. 8.—Waterway improvements along the Atlantic and Gulf coasts from a preparedness standpoint were discussed with Secretary of the Navy Daniels by Representative J. Hampton Moore, of Pennsylvania, and Representative John H. Small, of North Carolina, today.

Mr. Small, as chairman of the House Rivers and Harbors Committee, and Mr. Moore, as president of the Atlantic Deep-sea Waterways Association, went to the Secretary's office to take up with him what harbors should be improved next to facilitate the work of the American navy.

In addition to deepening certain coastal waterways to permit the operation of the Atlantic fleet without traveling the high seas, it is expected that the navy will want certain rivers deepened in order that shipbuilding plants may be built at a safe distance from the coast.

Representatives Moore and Small also took up with Secretary Daniels the possibility of having gunboats and certain other naval vessels sent to Miami, Fla., for the deeper waterways movement there in November.

District Exemption Board Reversed WILMINGTON, Del., Oct. 8.—The first reversal of a decision of the District Exemption Board has been announced. President Wilson allowed the claim of Ernest Carl Wagner, a chemist in the employ of the du Pont Powder Company, for exemption on occupational grounds. The district board had certified him for military service.

stroyers are so vitally needed in the job of fighting submarines and conveying troops and supply ships the navy demands that the contractors put to work on them all the labor they can get. The Fore River Shipbuilding Corporation alone, which has been awarded a contract for the construction of forty-six of these destroyers on the market—11,508 men and must, of course, have them.

Other yards, those engaged on naval construction and those engaged on merchant ships, are desperately seeking to get all the labor that is available.

Day in and day out for weeks at a time the heads of the shipping board and the shipbuilding corporations have been working over the problem, not to speak of the work which the men at the Navy Department were giving the same subject.

RECRUITING CAMPS PLANNED

In desperation the shipping board has seized on the idea of a recruiting camp to draw the skilled labor of the country, suitable for steel and wooden ship construction, to the yards. With the money that has already been made available—\$750,000,000 for merchant ships and \$350,000,000 for destroyers—and with the materials that can readily be requisitioned, the work on both the commerce vessels and the navy craft could go ahead easily without hindrance one to the other, but for the matter of labor.

Just what methods are to be followed in the recruiting campaign will be made public, it is assumed, along with the coming announcement. Broadly speaking, all that hangs in the air is the hope for it that they will be able to educate labor throughout the country as to the advantages to be obtained from work in the yards, with the added prospect, which is already being faced by the Shipping Board, of offering even higher wages than are now being paid.

WOMEN CLASH IN LABOR WAR

ST. PAUL, Minn., Oct. 8.—It's women against women in the Twin Cities' labor war now. Wives of striking street carmen and wives of strikebreakers are helping to fight their husbands' battles.

Their first clash occurred today, when carmen's wives chased their rivals into car barns and besieged them until the latter were rescued by policemen.

DIX OFFICERS RISE AGAINST BOOZE EVIL

Threaten to Close All Saloons in Three Neighboring Counties

5-MILE LIMIT INEFFECTIVE Bottled Goods in Barracks. Judge Lippincott Calls Meeting of Saloonkeepers

By a Staff Correspondent CAMP DIX, Wrightstown, N. J., Oct. 9. The officers in charge here are threatening to have all saloons in the three counties surrounding the camp closed unless the present liquor evil is immediately abated. The soldiers have no difficulty in obtaining drinks in saloons outside the five-mile limit, the officers say.

Judge William B. Lippincott, of Mount Holly, has called a meeting of the saloonkeepers of Burlington County for Saturday. At this meeting he will issue a warning and means will be considered for correcting the present situation.

Conditions surrounding our men here," said one officer of high rank connected with the policing of Camp Dix, "are most deplorable. They are more dangerous than a regiment of German machine guns, and absolutely contrary to the spirit of the President's proclamation."

The drafted men have not as yet received their full uniforms. Consequently it is impossible to distinguish between the laborers working on the camp and the soldiers, the saloonkeepers say. The officers, however, are determined to break up the present traffic. The men obtain bottled goods without difficulty. In some cases whiskey has been brought out from Camden in suitcases by jitneys and exorbitant prices charged, often running to \$1.50 a pint. It has been found that many of the men have actually brought bottled goods into the barracks.

Major General Chase W. Kennedy held his first informal review of a regiment of his new division last evening when at "retreat" he saw the 311th Infantry, composed of South Jersey boys, march to their parade ground and in mass formation pay honors to the Stars and Stripes. It was one of the most impressive spectacles yet witnessed at the cantonment, as the commanding general, with Lieutenant Colonel Collins, his chief of staff; Lieutenant Colonel Turner, his adjutant, and Colonel Stokes, of the 311th, stood at salute, and in front of them the 3000 men of the regiment rigid, at "attention."

Asked later for his opinion of the progress made by the regiment, members of which were civilians a month ago, with absolutely no knowledge of military work, General Kennedy said: "I am very much impressed—very much impressed with what has been accomplished. I came down to witness the 'retreat' at the invitation of Colonel Stokes, who has done splendid work here."

The South Jersey boys are delighted at their own progress and were more than proud today at the honor they felt was conferred upon their regiment by the visit of the commanding general. They were the first regiment in camp to drill in regimental formation, the first to have a band and the first to reach bayonet practice. It will hereafter be slip-and-tuck between the South Jerseymen of the 311th and the North Jerseymen of the 312th. Colonel Anderson, of the latter regiment, held the first drill by mass formation tonight, and the 3000 men were handled in splendid form. The 312th also paraded its new band of thirty pieces.

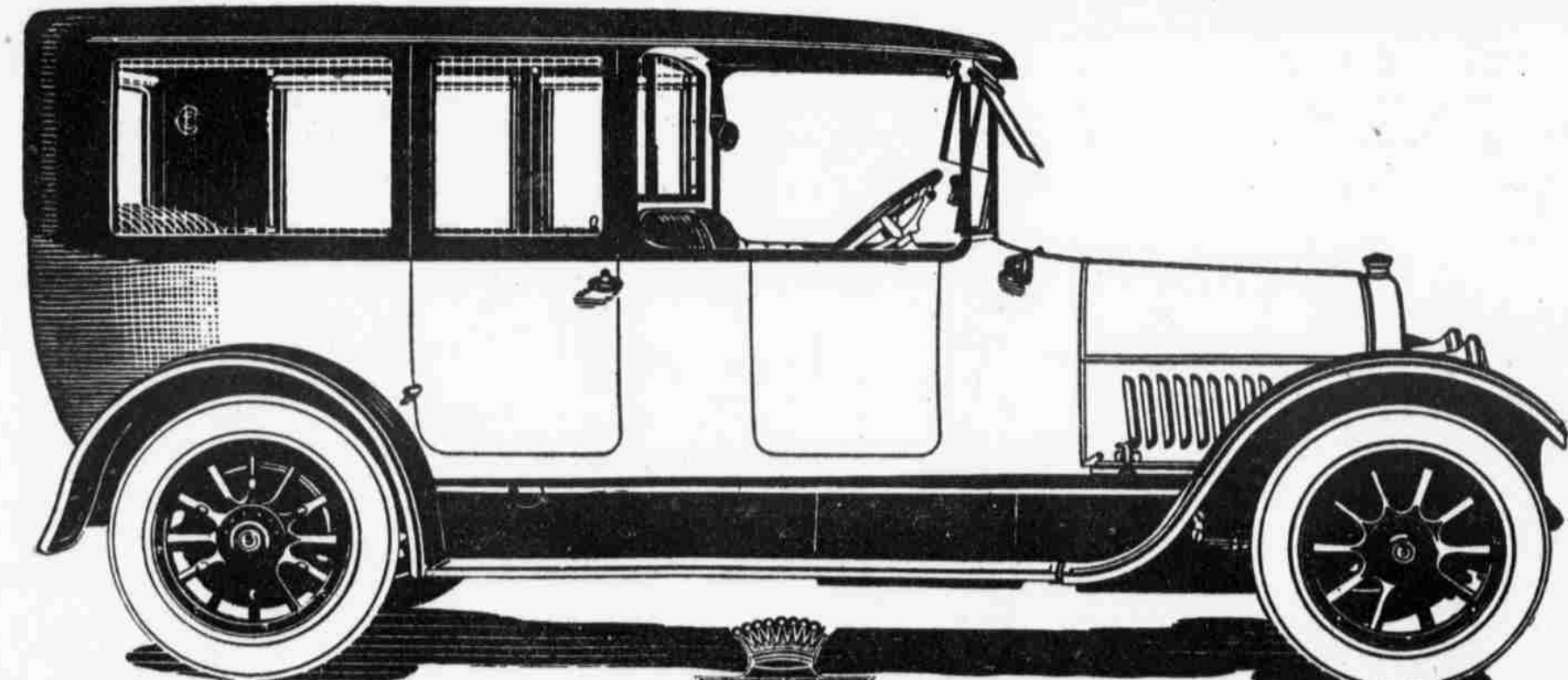
In anticipation that orders to mobilize at Spartansburg, S. C., with the remainder of their regiment may mean that they soon be on their way to Europe, the troopers of the Fifteenth New Jersey held a hilarious jubilee near the camp of the cantonment. Around great bonfires fed with lumber from their barracks, the men danced and sang and new war songs. "Great Camp Meeting" was a striking semi-oriental tune composed by Bandmaster F. Eugene Miskell, with words by Sergeant Nobel Bissel.

Wives of Camp Dix officers have formed a branch of the Red Cross and will be sewing and knitting for soldiers this winter. A fund to purchase equipment will be raised among officers of the various commands, with the regimental adjutants as collectors. Under division orders issued here, names of men dismissed from the service for physical disability will be erased from the records of the companies to which they were originally assigned. This will be done to avoid confusion in keeping the muster rolls. The War Department holds that these men, having never been fully mustered, as their physical examination was not complete, were not officially a part of the army.

Fifty in Riverton to Train for War RIVERTON, N. J., Oct. 8.—Backed by subscriptions of patriotic citizens to meet expenses for equipment, the Riverton Military Training Company has been organized with fifty members between the ages of 17 and 21. The organization will begin this week and will have a rifle range in the Hyton gravel pit.

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Advertisement for Hickory Garters. Text: "I always wear Hickory Garters so does brother." Image: A woman wearing garters. Text: "Stockings held the Hickory way—Are stockings held to surely stay." Price: 15c, 20c, 25c or 35c a pair, depending upon size and style desired. Hickory Garters are made with the easily adjusted buckle—just lift the tab underneath and the buckle slides. Saves finger nails.



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