

# 223 RECRUITS FROM HERE IN LAST TEN DAYS

### Nearly Equal to Total Enlisted in 1916; Breaking Records.

Captain William F. Harrell, of the local recruiting station this morning declared that despite the large number of recruits making application for enlistment the American people in general do not seem to realize that the nation is really at war and that a formal declaration of war has been issued. Many recruits from the outlying districts do not seem to be able to grasp the fact that they may be needed for real action, although with some of them that is the chief attraction. "The average man will rather see active service that to be held at a station in time of peace," Captain Harrell says.

Acting upon the authority of the War Department colored applicants can now be accepted for original assignment to the infantry or cavalry. The requirements have been made easier and men who can neither read nor write will be accepted provided they can speak the English language.

**223 This Month**

In a report this morning to the War Department for the first ten days of April, Captain Harrell was able to report a total of 223 enlistments. For a corresponding period in February only 86 men were enlisted from this station. This total for April almost equals the entire number of men enlisted during 1916.

Quartermaster Quirk of the naval recruiting station this morning left on a trip through the Cumberland Valley to interest young men in the advantages of the navy. During his absence the local station will be in charge of Charles Rife of the naval reserves who came here this morning. He was accompanied by two jacksies on a leave of absence from their ships stationed in Hampton Roads, near Norfolk.

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## ACTION ON WAR FUND DELAYED

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board, that the Auditor General as a member would be placed in the position of being required to pass an auditor on the correctness of his own expenditures, which the Governor said he believed to be irregular and not in conformity with good business principles.

The Governor in his message cites numerous instances, including those of the Civil War, in which similar funds were placed solely at the disposal of governors. Other States, he points out, are even now doing this. A bonded indebtedness will be required to raise the money proposed, the Governor said.

**His Reasons**

The Governor sets forth his conclusions as follows:

"Under these circumstances, in order that there shall be no further delay in placing Pennsylvania solidly and patriotically in line with the National government in defense of our national honor and in protection of our people and industries, I hereby express my willingness, if in your judgment you so consider it wise, to have a similar board, made up of the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor and the State Treasurer, all of whom are State-wide elective officers, to act as a disbursing body as provided in the proposed loan bill. The other surviving State-wide elective officer, namely, the Auditor General, is not included in this list for the very important and necessary reason that it is incompatible with good public administration to have any official expend money and subsequently audit his own expenditures. The law places upon the Auditor General the important and necessary obligation of auditing all expenditures made under these or other Acts of Assembly in which money is appropriated for any purpose whatever and for that reason it is not deemed wise that he should be included in the Board which will expend the money but that he shall be left free to be the auditor of the expenditures of the other officials herein indicated."

**Message Debated**

Debate on the motion to submit the message to the appropriations committee brought out expressions of patriotism from Senator Jenkins, Senator Eyre and Senator Vare. The motion of Senator Eyre referred to the message as a lecture to the Senate. This brought Senator Jenkins to his feet with the assertion that the time for a message from the Governor was ripe; that Pennsylvania should take her place in the front of States in the war movement.

"The people of Pennsylvania want the Legislature to act," said the Germantown senator, "and why should we delay action. I am opposed to the disposition of the message as provided by the motion of the senator from Chester. I am no new convert to preparedness and upon the sinking of the Lusitania urged legislation to that end."

Senator Vare believed, in the absence of senators who had already started home it would be best to refer the message to committee. He recited the action of his brother in joining with Democrats in the enactment of war measures in Congress. He repudiated the language of Senator Eyre in referring to the message.

Replying, Senator Eyre said that he stood second to no man in his loyalty to the State and nation and would not play second fiddle in the movement of preparedness, being willing to vote for \$200,000,000 as Pennsylvania's share toward the prosecution of the war with Germany. Senator Jenkins retorted with the remark that the Pennsylvania Senate wasn't going to be a war orchestra, it was going into the war movement to the music of drums.

Senator Eyre went on to say that he was not a Penrose-McNichol senator nor a Brumbaugh-Vare man. He represented the Nineteenth district and was in the Senate for the purpose of serving the best interests of the State.

The motion to commit the message to the committee prevailed and it is expected action will follow at the Senate session next week. The Senate adjourned until Monday at 9 o'clock.

**PROMPT ACTION IS EXPECTED**

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mittee with prospects of prompt action by Congress.

The bill also contains a provision giving the Secretary of the Treasury authority to issue, as needed, \$2,000,000,000 in one-year treasury notes to anticipate the tax receipts which will result from the war revenue bill. The provision was put in so as to prevent an possible handicap to the nation's military readiness through delay in raising the \$1,750,000,000 proposed as the amount to be raised by taxation.

**Scheduled For Friday**

Chairman Kitchin, introducing and reporting the bill to the House, announced that it would be called up Friday for action.

**GUARD KILLS TRESPASSER**

New York, April 11.—Louis Fuerstein was shot and killed yesterday by a National Guardsman protecting the New York Central tracks in the upper part of the city. Fuerstein is said to have been a peddler, and was shot after his failure to obey the Guardsman's command to move away from the tracks.

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## GERMAN PLOT IS SEEN IN BLAST

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ing, from the explosions yesterday at the shrapnel-loading plant of the Edgemoor Ammunition Company, North Eddystone, near Chester, place the number of dead at 122, the majority girls and young women. Between 125 and 150 men, women and girls were injured, at least 75 being so burned and torn by shrapnel fragments that death was momentarily expected. Twenty-three others employed in the structure which was blown to splinters are missing.

Although police and company officials worked through the night attempting to establish a list of the dead they were hampered by the condition of the bodies and the fact that the time book, recording all employed in the structure, was destroyed by the first blast of the explosion. Some of the victims, company officials believe, were blown into the Delaware river, so that an exact calculation of the death list may never be possible.

The energies of investigators to-day concentrated on sifting the narratives of survivors. Four separate investigations were begun: Federal State and municipal, and an inquiry by company officials. The entire force of special agents of the Department of Justice's Bureau of Investigation in Philadelphia was assigned to running out a maze of leads, many of which were admitted to be based mostly on rumor but from which information of importance might be developed.

Captain Walter Wilhelm, general manager and vice-president of the munition company, started a separate inquiry, while police of Philadelphia and Chester investigated several angles of the disaster. The State investigation is in charge of Lew Palmer, chief of the Bureau of Inspection of the State Department of Labor, assisted by a corps of inspectors.

Gangs of laborers, guarded by pickets, worked until an early hour to-day clearing away the wreckage of the "E" building. Work was resumed as usual to-day in all departments except the box, loading and shell base departments, which were housed in the ruined building. The plant will be in complete operation on April 24, it was announced.

When the extent of the disaster was realized, Chester citizens immediately began raising a subscription fund for the injured and their families. Five thousand dollars was subscribed in a few hours, and measures were adopted to increase this amount. Officials of the workmen's compensation fund announced that the State would be called on to furnish but a comparatively small amount, as most of the victims were young women with no dependents.

Instances of conspicuous bravery were numerous during the work of rescue. A short distance from the site of the building destroyed is the smokeless powder magazine of the company, while nearby, in the opposite direction, is the building where the shells are charged with smokeless powder. While the exploding shrapnel filled the air with thousands of bullets, a force of guards stood coolly on the two endangered buildings and played streams of water on the roofs and sides to prevent additional fires with resulting explosions.

**REVISE LIST OF DEAD**

After making a careful investigation, W. M. Wilhelm, general manager of the munitions plant, said this afternoon that 116 are dead as a result of yesterday's explosion. Forty-six of the dead have been identified, but the remaining bodies are so badly mutilated that identification is almost impossible. Between fifty and sixty injured persons remain in the hospitals and of these eight are so seriously hurt that they may die. In addition persons not connected with the plant have made investigation and report that thirty-six are missing. Many of these, if not all, are thought to be alive.

**Plan Public Funeral**

Arrangements are being made by the Chester authorities for a public funeral for the unidentified victims of whom there will be, it is expected, nearly seventy.

Two arrests of suspects were made here to-day and two are reported from Philadelphia, one of the latter a man said to have been employed in an Edgemoor hotel, but who left before the explosion.

About 300 employes, scared away by the explosion, failed to report at the plant to-day. The authorities are reticent and nothing can be learned as to the charges against the persons arrested.

**HARRISBURG BOY CRUSHED IN BLAST**

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who worked beside him until to-day, just before the explosion.

**Harrisburg Boy Killed**

"He was a fine-looking chap," Hydock said, "and I had often wanted to ask him where he came from. Yesterday I had a chance, and he had just said Harrisburg when there was a low boom and our room was brighter than any light I ever saw. We were all on our feet, and the Harrisburg lad fell backward."

"I stopped to catch him, then those behind me started to push forward toward the door. It was a terrible crush and jam, and two of us went through the door at the same time as we were being held together doing a lock-step. Behind us came the others who could escape. Then the sound was deafening and the heat more intense. It was hotter than any heat I ever imagined one could feel, but as we got into the open we almost staggered at the change in the air."

One man, Arthur Bergy, was able to give a detailed description of the scene.

"Superintendent Sheppard, of the loading room, is the one man who can tell if the explosion was an accident," said Bergy, who was one of the loading bosses, last night. Bergy, a former newspaper photographer, has been working at Edgemoor for some months and was in the center of the room when the disaster occurred.

"No more than two boxes of powder were permitted to be opened at one time," he said. "The first thing I heard was an explosion. Then came the dash of fire and at the same instant a second explosion of the same volume. With it the roof of the building lifted and came crashing down on the girls in the pellet room as the third explosion followed."

"What caused the three explosions? If only two boxes were opened according to the rules, it would seem there should have been only two explosions. Superintendent Sheppard had charge of the distribution of the boxes and knows how many boxes were passed into the room and how many were open."

"With the first explosion I started for the door, and the man ten feet behind me had his hair burning when he reached the door and he stopped for nothing. At any of us thought of was safety. We had reached the deadline wires in the yard when the third detonation came, and we snatched and looked back, undetermined what to do."

"Then came the fourth and most terrible report, and with it the flying of the shells. As the ground began to plow around us we bolted through the wires and took refuge, while the fifth and last rain of shot and shell poured out upon those who had escaped from the building."

"You must bear in mind the powder in those shells is strong enough to throw them two miles after their explosion. They carry a powerful force of five miles to carry the shell and an additional two miles for the shrapnel, a total projector force of seven miles. The powder will not explode on concussion. Heat will fire them, but time fuses are only put on when the shells reach Russia."

## Dr. Newell D. Hillis, Famous Orator and Writer, Will Address Commerce Chamber

Dr. Newell Dwight Hillis, the famous orator and writer of Brooklyn, New York, will address the membership of the Harrisburg Chamber of Commerce on May 2.

The place where the meeting will be held and whether it will be a luncheon or evening meeting have not been decided as yet. Dr. Hillis is one of the most noted speakers in America and the officers of the Chamber of Commerce feel that his coming is a very fortunate event for the membership as it is seldom that such a great orator comes to Harrisburg. Dr. Hillis is going to address the Chamber of Commerce in connection with activities of the National Association of Manufacturers who are devoting a great deal of effort to industrial conservation, a subject which has enlisted the sympathy of Dr. Hillis.

**DRUGGAL IS NEUTRAL**

The Uruguayan government to-day issued a decree of neutrality in the war between the United States and Germany and between Cuba and Germany.

## MEARKLE MOTOR BILL IS PASSED BY HOUSE

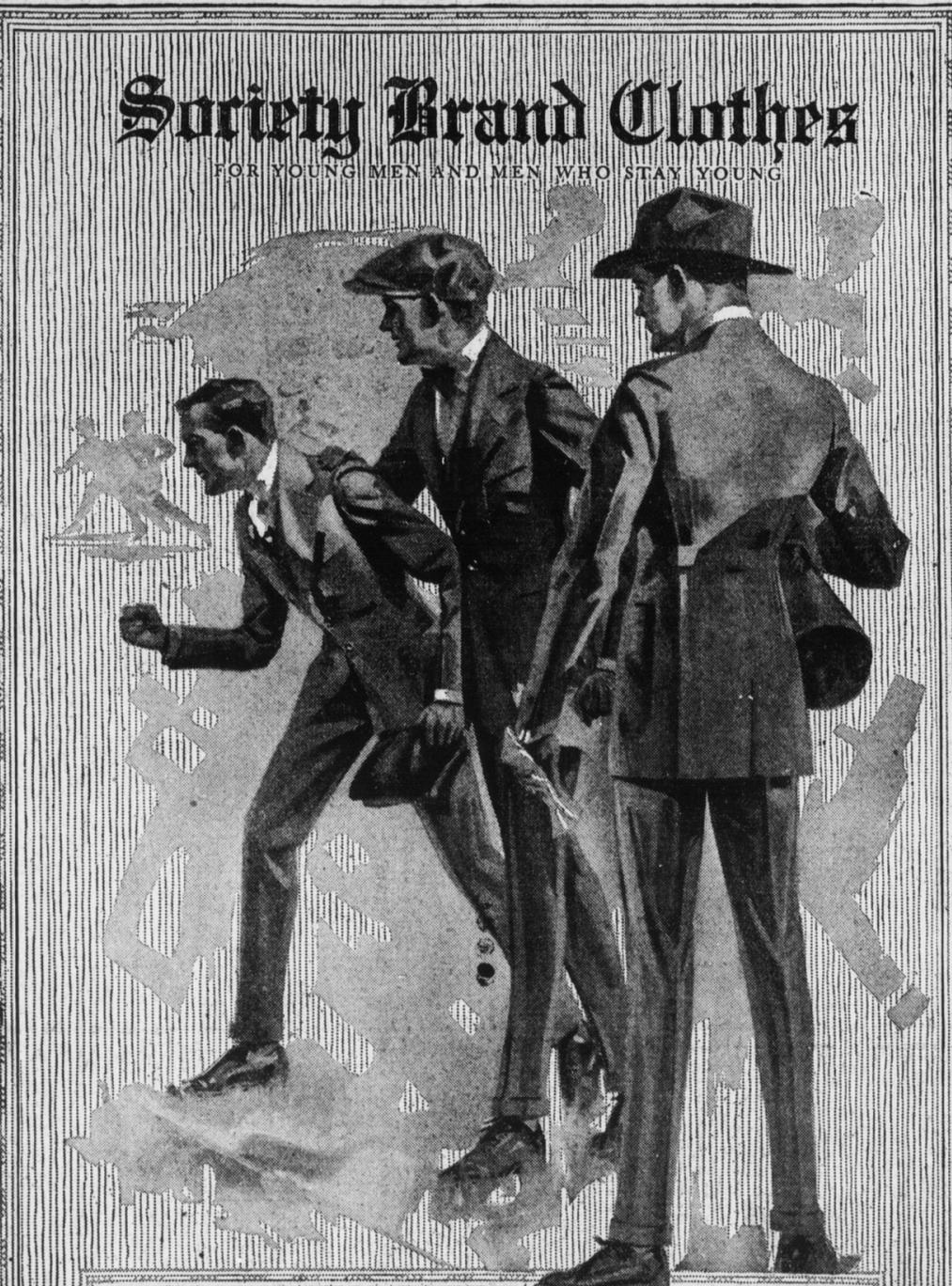
An attempt to amend the Mearkle motor vehicle bill before the House on second reading so as to compel a device on the rear to indicate at night when a turn to the right or left is made was defeated. Another amendment to the bill which would exonerate from payment of registration fees by city and county official cars was also defeated.

The House concurred in the Senate resolution providing for changing the names of all State lunatic, insane and feeble-minded institutions.

## Roosevelt Outlines in Full His Plans for a Division

Washington, April 11.—Theodore Roosevelt, following a day of conferences with President Wilson and Congressional leaders regarding his project for raising a division of troops for foreign service and seeing numerous callers, arranged to leave for New York to-day.

Colonel Roosevelt also arranged to communicate more fully in writing his views on his project to the chairmen of the Senate and House military committees.



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