

# WEEKLY WAR NEWS DIGEST

**Stories of Activities and Conditions Throughout the United States and on the Battle Fronts, from Washington, D. C.**

**67,716 Men Excused from Military Service Under Vocation Provisions**

Under provisions of the selective-service law making specified vocations a ground for exemption or discharge, apart from the "necessary industries" dealt with by the district boards, 67,716 men were excused from military duty.

Of the men exempted 1,665 were Federal or State officers; ministers, 3,976; divinity students, 3,144; in the military and naval service, 47,822.

County and municipal officials numbering 889 were discharged; custom-house clerks, 171; mail employees, 1,476; arsenal workmen, 2,358; Federal employees designated by the President, 1,777; pilots, 1,772; mariners, 2,666.

**Farm Tractor Notes To Be Rediscouted by Federal Reserve Banks**

Federal reserve banks are to rediscout notes secured by farm tractors, according to the Department of Agriculture. Instructions have been issued to all Federal reserve banks authorizing them to rediscout tractor paper presented by any member bank, provided it has maturity not exceeding six months and the tractors are purchased for agricultural purposes.

**Trade Tests Used to Secure Skilled Workers for Army**

To increase the accuracy of selecting skilled workers among the enlisted men a system of trade tests has been developed. Exact and comprehensive definitions of the more than 600 different trades represented in the military organization have been brought together in a 360-page book, "Trade Specifications." Tables have been prepared showing the detailed needs of each unit for skilled and semiskilled workers. Work has been done in refining methods of selecting and training men for special duties in the Navy, special service regarding selection of aviators, assistance to Provost Marshal General on the questionnaire, and assistance rendered the Surgeon General for general intelligence tests for enlisted men and officers.

The war-service exchange of the committee on classification of person-

nel answers inquiries of persons desiring to serve the Army. It informs the Department of Labor of the needs which the War Department has for men.

**Fertilizer Manufacturers and Dealers Must Secure Licenses**

Attention of fertilizer manufacturers and dealers has again been called to the necessity for taking out Federal licenses.

All fertilizer manufacturers, including mixers, even though their output may be small, are required to take out licenses. Agents and dealers doing exclusively a retail business, whose gross sales do not amount to more than \$100,000 a year, are not required to take out licenses or to make applications for blanks. However, any retail dealer or agent whose gross sales amount to more than \$100,000 and who does not apply for a license is liable under the provisions of the act of Congress providing for the governmental control of the industry.

Application for license should be made to the law department, license division, United States Food Administration, Washington, D. C.

**War Department Plans Furlough to Help Farm Work**

For the purpose of augmenting agricultural production it is the intention of the War Department to grant furloughs to enlisted men to enable them to engage in farming during the present season. Commanding officers may grant such furloughs within prescribed rules whenever it appears they will contribute to increased farm production.

Furloughs may be given by commanding officers of posts, camps, cantonments, divisions, and departments. They will be for short periods, largely for seeding and harvesting time. They will not be granted to enlisted men of or above the grade of first sergeant, nor in an organization that has been ordered to move or is in transit from points of mobilization or training to a port of embarkation. All furloughs granted will be recalled and the men ordered to their organizations when they have received preparatory orders for duty overseas.

Furloughs granted for farm work will be without pay and allowances, except that enough pay will be retained in each case to meet allotments in force on the day of the order, war-

risk insurance, and pledges on Liberty bonds.

For especially qualified experts in agriculture furloughs may be granted by the Secretary of War upon application by the Secretary of Agriculture providing such furloughs are voluntarily accepted by the persons for whom application is made.

Individual applications for furloughs submitted by relatives will be on a form to be furnished by local draft boards. Two sections are to be made out and presented to the local board, which will complete the form.

If the furlough is granted the application will be filed by the commanding officer and a certificate furnished the soldier. If not granted, the application will be returned with reasons for disapproval.

If the soldier initiated the application he will give the name of the person for whom he desires to work, from whom will be ascertained the need for farm service.

Furloughs may be granted en bloc to men who are willing to accept them upon requests of farmers, when time consumed in traveling from the post to the place of labor will not exceed 24 hours. In making these applications farmers will use a form of the Provost Marshal General's office, also going to the local board.

**Prisoners in Germany Do Not Lose Rights to War Insurance**

American soldiers and sailors in German prison camps prior to April 12, 1918, will not be deprived of their rights to war-risk insurance because of inability to make personal application, provided such application is made in their behalf.

According to a statement by the Secretary of the Treasury, applications for insurance may be made in behalf of such prisoners by persons within the permitted class of beneficiaries under the military and naval insurance law. This class includes wife, child, parent, brother, or sister. Application should be made to the Bureau of War-Risk Insurance, at Washington, D. C.

**Alien Property Custodian May Sell Enemy-Owned Property at Private Sale**

The Alien Property Custodian has been given power to sell, at private sale without advertisement, enemy-owned livestock, feed or food stuffs, hides and other animal products, agricultural products, fertilizers, chemicals, drugs, essential oils, lumber, cotton, tobacco, furniture, books, glass and china ware, wearing apparel, jewelry, bric-a-brac, objects of art, raw or finished textile materials, trunks, boxes, partially or completely manufactured metals, fabrics, rubber and rubber products, and all kinds of merchandise, in lots having a market value of not more than \$10,000.

Such sales may be held at places and under conditions prescribed by the Alien Property Custodian.

**German Newspapers Rap Profiteering in Motor Works**

The Committee on Public Information has made public editorial comment in the German press on the revelations in the Reichstag main committee in connection with investigations of the Daimler Motor Works. It was shown that the Daimler company was earning 173 per cent profit per annum the company's sworn statement placing the profits at 11 per cent, and while the company was earning 400,000,000 marks monthly in excess of its peace-time profits it has threatened to reduce output unless higher prices were paid. The Berliner Tageblatt (Liberal), said:

"Energetic action of the authorities and the Reichstag is demanded. Such enterprises as the Daimler firm are not compelled to submit books for inspection, while every little trader selling vegetables must show his profits. We demand government confiscation of illegal profits and, if necessary, state control."

Vorwaerts (Government Socialist), said:

"The Daimler revelations will hardly occasion the same surprise in financial circles as among the masses. The Daimler company's purpose was not decisive the financial world, but the authorities, so that its real profits might be kept from the public's knowledge. The company reckoned upon the commercial ignorance of the government and this experience shows that such reliance is unusually justified."

**Report of Surgeon General Shows Health Conditions Good in Army Camps**

The health of troops in the United States continues very good, according to a recent report to the Surgeon General of the Army by the Division of Field Sanitation. Admission, non-effective and death rates are somewhat higher than last report, due chiefly to prevalence of influenza and pneumonia with complicating pneumonia, in many of our northern camps.

National Guard camps, as a group, continue with remarkably low rates. Very few new cases of measles and meningitis have occurred.

National Army camps continue to have high sick rates as compared with camps of other groups, though the rates are lower than last report. Scattering cases of measles are reported from all camps.

**LIBERTY LOAN AND BUSINESS**

"What has the Liberty Loan to do with the refrigeration business?" was asked by a subscriber in the fastnesses of the Rocky Mountains of the editor of the Refrigeration World. The answer was sound and patriotic:

"At this critical time the success or failure of the impending loan have more to do with refrigeration than even the machinery and chemicals used in producing refrigeration. If the loan fails, everything else will fail with it. All business will eventually be prostrated; nothing could thrive."

It is the business of every business and business man in the United States to see that the Liberty Loan does not fail. They should encourage and assist others to buy them. No business in the United States is going to succeed if the Liberty Loan fails—if the Nation fails.

It is better business to buy Liberty Bonds than to pay indemnities to a victorious Germany; it is better business to win this war than to have our foreign commerce subject to the dictation of the Potsdam Government.

The welfare, the success, the prosperity, the liberty, and the happiness of every true American is bound up in the Nation's success. We are not fighting alone for material interest, for annexations or indemnities. We are fighting for freedom and justice and humanity and civilization. But we are also fighting for the maintenance of our commercial rights, for the rights of our citizens to pursue their lawful journeys on the seas and transport their commerce to foreign markets.

It is patriotic, and a duty, to buy Liberty Bonds. It is also good business to do it.

**EXECUTORS' NOTICE**

Estate of Thomas Bishop, late of the Borough of Patton, Cambria County, Pennsylvania, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary in the estate of said decedent have been granted to the undersigned. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands against the same are requested to make them known without delay to

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