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THE CONSCRIPTION BILL.

The Senate and the House have passed the selective conscription bill advocated by the War College, the Army General Staff and President Wilson. While it seems that it should be unnecessary for a nation to draft anyone if patriotism really prevailed, that is not the basic idea of selective conscription.

Modern armies and navies require many trained men; wars are today largely a matter of machinery. Only in the last resort do generals resort to man power and send their forces into hand to hand battles. Armies need skilled mechanics, chauffeurs, gunners, chemists, electricians, aviators, telephone engineers, railroad executives, telegraphers, and a thousand and one others of special training. The army under its new organization will pick the men it needs, put them in positions where they are qualified, and avoid the thousand and one mistakes that have been made in past wars. Armies of today are effective organizations; they do not have their Braddock's defeats or modern Bull Runs.

The young men of the country are going to the front. All of the newspapers are chronicling the names of the young men who are volunteering. It is a fine thing that neither wealth nor rank count in the American army, navy or marines. Marshall Field, III, probably the richest young man in the United States, has enlisted as a private although married and exempt from the first call. Secretary Daniels' son has enlisted as a private. The rich and the poor are rallying to Uncle Sam's aid.

AN ARGUMENT FOR CENSORSHIP.

Certain newspapers of the copperhead order criticize Colonel Roosevelt because he wants to offer his services and his life to his country. It seems strange that these newspapers would criticize an American patriot for his devotion. If there are many more such newspapers in the country, we fear the rest of the patriotic newspapers will have to submit to an ignoble and inglorious censorship. And we wouldn't blame President Wilson if he suppressed them.

HOW THE RED CROSS WILL PREVENT TURMOIL AND WASTE.

Washington, D. C., April 29, 1917.

Herbert C. Hoover, chairman of the new National Food Board, recently created by the Council of National Defense, and who since the outbreak of the war has been head of the Commission for Relief in Belgium, urges the American people to profit by the mistakes made abroad in administering war relief.

In a letter to Eliot Wadsworth, Acting Chairman of the American Red Cross, made public today, Mr. Hoover pleads for prompt organization and centralization of "all volunteer civilian effort connected with the comfort of those in the service of the Army and Navy," under Red Cross Supply Service as the "only possible solution" to prevent an "enormous lot of pain, turmoil, and waste."

"Every country in Europe," declares Mr. Hoover, "has gone through an era of disintegrated overlapping effort, the multiplication of thousands of committees, and tons of useless, inapropos, and wrongly destined material."

"In England and France, especially, the erection of special and independent or semi-independent committees has been fruitful of the most extreme difficulties, until they accept direct control, after which they have become of the utmost use and purpose."

To prevent the repetition of these mistakes in the United States, "Red Cross Supply Service," with a chain of warehouses in the principal cities, has been organized by the Department of Military Relief of the American Red Cross. This Supply Service, with branch headquarters in New York, Boston, Chicago, Denver, New Orleans, and San Francisco, will cooperate with patriotic and relief societies in the forwarding of all soldiers comforts and hospital supplies.

As a means of eliminating the waste described by Mr. Hoover, agents of Red Cross Supply Service are to be stationed in every military training camp and at every army base. These men will supervise the distribution of supplies arriving from Red Cross depots. Calls for hospital supplies made by chapters and organizations affiliated with the Red Cross as far as possible will be filled as orders at a factory are filled.

Mr. Hoover's letter, outlining the necessity for such work as the Supply Service will do, is as follows:

"As the result of the past 2 1-2 years' experience of war, all European countries now know the vital necessity for a total centralization under the Red Cross executive of the whole of the volunteer civilian effort connected with the comfort of those in the service of the Army and Navy."

"Every country in Europe has gone through an era of disintegrated overlapping effort, the multiplying of thousands of committees and tons of useless, inapropos, and wrongly destined material."

"There was a long struggle on the part of the military and Red Cross officials to get those matters on to a systematic and effective basis."

"In the end they have come to one form of organization in every country in Europe, by which the Red Cross executive centralizes executive control of all such activities and decentralizes its various phases into local chapters and these again are divided into division for the provision of money, of surgical and medical supplies, of nurses, of base and convalescent hospitals, the creation, collection, transportation, standardization, and re-distribution, etc., of all sorts of supplies."

"The grouping of these various divisions must be varied with national necessity, depending upon geographies and transportation questions. The work of the women, which is a very large factor in Red Cross work, must be coordinated through the central agency and a representation of the women in that central agency has proved the only effective method of securing this."

"In England and France especially, the erection of special and independent or semi-independent women's committees has been fruitful of the most extreme difficulty until they accept direct control, after which they have become of the utmost use and purpose. The already established women's organizations of various kinds can find their best purpose in instructing their local bodies to place themselves entirely at the disposal of the local chapters of the Red Cross."

"In general, the one fundamental factor in war organization generally is centralization of executive and such centralization cannot be effected if there are a lot of national semi-independent Boards or organizations operating outside, or partially outside of the direct control of the Red Cross executive."

"In any event the general principle must be that the Red Cross itself is the centralizing executive operating by intense decentralization of its productive and distributing functions, and this has been arrived at as the only possible solution after an enormous lot of pain, turmoil, and waste."

Yours faithfully, (Signed) HERBERT HOOVER."

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Warranty Deeds.

\$70,000 deed 68-188 Charles R. Frazier et al to Charles A. Playle. SE 1-4 SW 1-4 and S 1-2 SE 1-4 and S 1-3 of NE 1-4 of SW 1-4 of Sec 13; N 1-2 NW 1-4 E 1-2 SE 1-4, NW 1-4 E 1-2 NE 1-4 SW 1-4 of Sec 24; all of NE 1-4 Sec 24 (less 2 acres) SE 1-4 Sec 24 (less 2 acres) and S 1-2 SW 1-4 Sec 24; all in Tp 2 S R 38 E W M. (About 650 acres.) \$50 deed 68-189 heirs of Harriet J. Stahl, deceased to Alexander Cameron. E 1-2 of lot 2 block 7, Sommer's Add to Elgin. \$700 deed 67-356 Alfred Harvey and wf to D M Hunt. Lots 9 10 11 12 and 13 in block 18 Riverside Add to La Grande. \$1 deed Louis C. Coleman and wf to Fannie R. Hall. S 1-2 of lots 3 and 4 in block 5 Arnold & Dray Add to La Grande. \$1 deed Cordelia Cooper to Amos Davis. Block 2 except lots 1 and 8 North Union. \$1 deed S. G. Hudson and wf to Thomas D. Todd. Com. 152 1-2 ft S

of SE cor of Stevenson Add to Elgin; thence E 295 ft; thence S 111 1-2 ft; thence W 295 ft; thence N 111 1-2 ft to beginning. \$1 deed Thomas D. Todd and wife to S. G. Hudson, NW 1-4 NE 1-4 and E 1-2 NW 1-4 and NE 1-4 SW 1-4 Sec 23 Tp 2 n R 39 E except one acre and 8 foot strip on south side. \$1 Frona B Weatherspoon and husband to John Graham. N 1-2 NW 1-4 (Sec 35 2n 39 and commencing at SW cor of SW 1-4 Sec 26 2n 39; thence E 160 rods; thence N 24 rods; thence W 160 rods; thence S 24 rods to beginning. \$1000 deed estate of Joel D. Carroll, deceased to Amos Davis. Commencing 50 feet N of SE cor of block 2 North Union; thence N 100 ft; thence W 200 ft. thence S 100 ft; thence E 200 ft to beginning. Also commencing 150 ft N of SE cor of said block; thence N 50 ft to NE cor of said block; thence W 200 ft thence; S 50 ft; thence E 200 ft to beginning. \$10 deed C. E. Beeman to E. A. Easley and Lulu L. Easley. E 1-2 NW 1-4, NE 1-4 SW 1-4 N 1-2 SE 1-4 and SE 1-4 SE 1-4 of Sec 18 1st 40. \$10 deed Frank L. Waller and wife

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The Y. M. C. A. Security league, composed of the senior membership of the association, are taking military training under the leadership of Sergeant Zinn and Corporal Vincent. The boys realize that when the call comes that it is better to be trained than untrained. On account of the convention of the Modern Woodmen which will make the Y. M. C. A. their headquarters Tuesday and Wednesday, there will be no drill on Tuesday night. The next drill being on Friday night. Another business men's volleyball tournament has been made history by its closing recently. Volleyball was clearly the reigning sport in the Y. M. C. A. this season and it is being acknowledged as the great physical tonic for the business man. The recent tournament was a walkaway for H. E. Dixon's team and he showed signs of being greatly pleased with this honor. The following members shared with Dixon in this victory: Don Scott, J. L. Ingle, Hugh McKinne, J. G. Snodgrass, Chase Bohnenkamp, Chas. Gore and Rhea Luper.

Y. M. C. A. SHRAPNEL

All contestants in the Bird House contest are requested to bring their bird houses to the Y. M. C. A. for final judging.

The Boys Potato club of the Y. M. C. A. have been given a lot on Second and Spring by Mrs. Molitor for their bit in lowering the high cost of living.

The Y. M. C. A. is now in a position to accept memberships for the Red Cross; any member of the association can join and receive the receipt at the building. All members are urged to join.

A team representing several of the departments of the "Y" played a baseball game with the Company M baseball team and was defeated by the score of 17 to 11, it being the first game of the season. Many of the players are sporting a very weary look, because of the soreness resulting

All classes will be discontinued during Tuesday and Wednesday of this week, because of the building being the headquarters for the Modern Woodmen convention, the gymnasium will be used as the general meeting place for the delegates and the reception will also be held there. The classes affected by this change are: the seniors, the businessmen, the ladies A. the girls, the juveniles and the juniors and all classes are requested to take notice.

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