

COMPANY OF HOME GUARDS ORGANIZED

FORTY-SEVEN SIGN THE ROLLS FOR LOCAL DEFENSE BODY

COMPANY TO BE ARMED AND DRILLED

Status of the New Organization Is Discussed—Correspondence of Adjutant General Suggests it Work With Sheriff As County Peace Officer—Captain Coolidge Heads Committee on Organization—List of Those Enrolled.

At the meeting at the City Hall last night preliminary steps were taken to form a company or battalion of Home Guards to provide for the local defense after Company M and the Hospital Unit is withdrawn. Forty seven men signed the roll last night.

Mr. Fred J. Holmes, president of the Commercial club, strongly endorsed the project.

Mr. Fred L. Meyers approved of the organization and announced his intention of joining.

Mr. A. W. Nelson told of some steps that had already been taken by the young men of the city and announced their willingness to join and support the organization. He suggested that the men be organized in three companies, according to age, the young men from twenty to thirty-one, those from thirty-one to 45 and the silver greys, composed of the older men who could give valuable service, although not so active.

Mr. Dixon spoke of the possibility of getting arms from the United States government.

Mr. George T. Cochran approved of the idea and suggested an immediate enrollment.

Mr. Asa L. Roberts presented a letter from General Chas. F. Beebe, of Portland, telling of the organization of the Home Guards there.

Mr. J. D. Slater suggested that care be taken so as to insure the legal status of the organization.

Mr. Fred B. Currey told of a conference he had had with the Adjutant General and correspondence which he had had with him, in which the Adjutant General had said that the home guards for the present would not be under state control and suggested that they work in co-operation with the sheriff as the regularly constituted peace officer of the county.

Mr. Nolan Skiff announced his intention of joining and suggested that many of the older men would join if the organization were limited to local duties.

Captain H. E. Coolidge, who had been asked to take charge of the formation of the organization, told what was essential to any military organization, discipline and obedience, and some form of enlistment enrollment. He told of some of his experiences at the Presidio and said that the regiment of officers in training there was probably the finest regiment in the world. He offered his services to the organization in whatever capacity he was needed.

A motion was made and carried that the chair appoint a committee to act with Capt. Coolidge in preparing the preliminary matters connected with the organization, such as enrollment lists, by-laws, etc. This committee was appointed consisting of Captain H. E. Coolidge, chairman, Fred L. Meyers, A. W. Nelson and H. E. Dixon. The committee will meet today.

The following signed the preliminary roll last night:

- W. F. Landrum
- F. L. Lilly
- H. W. Templeton
- Warren Vinacke
- A. W. Nelson
- Asa L. Roberts
- Pat Foley
- J. Garfield King
- Geo. H. Currey
- W. F. Ashman
- W. C. Hadden
- J. K. Wright
- Gordon Powers
- Fred Burgess
- George T. Cochran
- E. J. Brown
- F. M. Huffman
- Fred J. Holmes
- H. L. Browning
- W. V. Connors
- F. L. Meyers
- J. H. Pearce
- Albert N. Krause
- F. C. Appering

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Slackers Will Be Certified Into Army

Washington, Aug. 1.—(United Press)—The President ordered that all slackers who failed to appear for draft exemption be reported to the Department of Justice and "certified" into the National army by the Adjutant General.

DRY DRIVE IS HALTED FOR THE PRESENT

PROHIBITION AMENDMENT MAY NOT COME UP IN THE HOUSE BEFORE DECEMBER

Washington, Aug. 2.—(United Press)—The drive to make the nation dry is temporarily halted. The Prohibition amendment which the Senate passed late yesterday will probably go over until December because the House has decided to consider only war measures now.

"It is likely no action will be taken before the new Congress convenes," Representative Webb said. "When it comes up it will pass overwhelmingly." The drys are laying the ground now for pushing the fight. The House drys discussed a democratic caucus to determine whether prohibition will be brought up despite the previous agreement to consider only war measures.

Little's Lynchers Are Said To Be Known

Butte, Aug. 2.—(United Press)—William Sullivan, attorney for the I. W. W. declared two men who participated in the lynching of Frank Little were known. He said their identity had been discovered through threats made before Little was hanged.

ROUMANIANS MAKE BREACH IN FOE'S LINE

MANY CANNON AND PRISONERS CAPTURED—GERMANS COMPLETELY ROUTED

Washington, Aug. 2.—(United Press)—Roumanians have made a twelve mile breach along the thirty mile German front in Roumania, according to Russian embassy cablegrams. Seventy cannon, one hundred machine guns and four thousand German prisoners have been captured after three days of fighting.

"The Germans are in complete disorder, and fleeing in panic," says the cablegram.

Aeroplane Attacks Feared.

Salt Lake City, Aug. 2.—(Special)—Convicted that enemy airplanes have been flying over Southern Utah, Leon Bone, special investigator for the Department of Justice, has asked that the War Department send airplanes to this state to make an investigation of the reports from San Juan and Grand Counties as to night flights of airplanes.

Mrs. G. E. Fowler of La Grande was registered at the Hotel Dalles, Wednesday, as were also Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Stoddard of La Grande.

Steel Steamer Is Launched At Portland

Portland, Aug. 2.—(United Press)—The steel steamer, War Viceroy, of eighty-eight hundred tons, was launched at the Northwest Steel plant at noon today.

To Climb Mt. Jefferson
Portland, Ore., Aug. 2.—(United Press)—The Mazamas, Portland's famous organization of mountaineers, today are completing arrangements for their annual trip. They will leave for Mt. Jefferson Saturday night.

COMPLETE LIST OF DRAFTED MEN FOR UNION COUNTY

The Observer has received from Washington a complete list of all the master numbers drawn in the recent draft lottery.

From these it has compiled the following list of the men drafted in Union County. The first number is the order in which the men will be called in Union County. The second number is the serial number.

These numbers will be printed as soon as possible in The Observer and when completed the entire list will be published in a special supplement:

- | Draft Serial No. | Name |
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| 1 | 258—Robert Joseph Brack |
| 2 | 458—Jay Conley |
| 3 | 1436—Elmer Potter |
| 4 | 854—James L. Collins |
| 5 | 1095—Lester Dallas Butler |
| 6 | 1455—Elmer Roy Swart |
| 7 | 783—Joseph Edgley Dalton |
| 8 | 1117—Charles Anderson Riley |
| 9 | 837—Alexander Lee Davis |
| 10 | 337—Sam Kakoures |
| 11 | 676—John Franklin Spahn |
| 12 | 275—John Henry Stowe |
| 13 | 509—John Alfred Groupe |
| 14 | 564—Sidney Montgomery |
| 15 | 945—Rhuell Gresham Thompson |
| 16 | 596—Jas. Bernard McLaughlin |
| 17 | 1267—Frank Oscar Harris |
| 18 | 536—Harvey Corbin Street |
| 19 | 1495—Louis Edward Ingram |
| 20 | 548—Harley Hamor Richardson |
| 21 | 126—Ben Harrison Comstock |
| 22 | 1237—Horace Jacob Nelson |
| 23 | 784—William Earl Short |
| 24 | 755—Kumas Mizushima |
| 25 | 107—Charlie Frank Hamann |
| 26 | 1369—Ralph L. Sullivan |
| 27 | 416—George Nick Kampouris |
| 28 | 373—Frank Komoda |
| 29 | 1266—Theron Spyker Maxwell |
| 30 | 775—Jack Russell McGee |

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| 31 | 486—Howard Coleman Shaifer |
| 32 | 692—Don J. Scott |
| 33 | 600—Cecil Ross Mill |
| 34 | 810—George Henry Lemon |
| 35 | 507—John S. McAnish |
| 36 | 309—Harley M. Hardy |
| 37 | 437—Leonard Johnson |
| 38 | 1324—Frank Nelson Young |
| 39 | 604—Michael Emmett Walsh |
| 40 | 43—Hugh Clifton Hulse |
| 41 | 1264—Roy Kingsley Graham |
| 42 | 1066—Charley George Weiss |
| 43 | 924—Henry Johnson |
| 44 | 420—Thomas Clements Marlin |
| 45 | 1014—Robert Earl Cox |
| 46 | 1178—Athol Jay Meyer |
| 47 | 514—Milton Armond Faulk |
| 48 | 433—Judd Smith |
| 49 | 1329—George Kosuke Ito |
| 50 | 10—Willie Wesley Wright |
| 51 | 487—Benjamin Franklin Bradley |
| 52 | 1282—James Arthur Hansen |
| 53 | 1323—Royal Charles Gunn |
| 54 | 797—Frank Arnold Turner |
| 55 | 140—William Henry Malone |
| 56 | 1536—Fred Leo Carroll |
| 57 | 1236—Leighton Sion |
| 58 | 432—John Henry Taylor |
| 59 | 18—Elmer N. Speckhart |
| 60 | 652—Clarence Eugene Geersten |
| 61 | 927—Jim Green Gooch |
| 62 | 1484—Brent Sturgill |
| 63 | 739—Ira F. Cantrell |
| 64 | 601—William R. Vernon La Barge |
| 65 | 1322—Marion William Anthony |
| 66 | 1146—Charlie Arnold Houghton |
| 67 | 1103—Alfred Owen Lindsay |
| 68 | 1395—Walter Elmer Baker |

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FAREWELL TO SOLDIER BOYS IS TONIGHT

COMMERCIAL CLUB WILL GIVE RECEPTION AT Y. M. C. A.—PUBLIC IS INVITED

Tonight is the farewell reception to the La Grande Hospital Unit and the boys of Company M. It is given by the Commercial Club. The public is invited.

The program will consist of excellent numbers and a feature will be the orchestra, which will play several numbers from the balcony. Miss Florence Lynch will have a bevy of the younger set from the Honor Guard to handle the refreshment part of the affair.

The program is as follows, which starts at 8:30 p. m.:
Chairman, Mr. F. J. Holmes, President Commercial Club

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| Music | Orchestra |
| Accordion Solo | Corporal Peterson |
| Solo "Senora" | Miss Helen Biggs |
| Piano Duet | Walter and Lyle Stringham |
| Music | Orchestra |
| Address | Mr. Geo. T. Cochran |
| Trio, "Snowflakes" | Misses Gladys Black, Jeanette Stoddard and Mary Newlin |
| Piano Solo | Mr. Walter Stringham |
| Quartet | Company M |
| Music | Orchestra |

Pat Foley passed the physical examination for the Officers' Training Corps at Baker Wednesday. It will be ten days before he knows whether he will be accepted. There are about 10 times as many applications as positions.

PRESIDENT FORBIDS THE EXPORTATION OF IRON AND STEEL

ONLY SUCH MATERIALS NEEDED BY ALLIES FOR WAR MAY BE SHIPPED OUT

Washington, Aug. 2.—(United Press)—The President today forbade the exportation of iron, steel plate, pig iron, iron and steel scrap, except such as the Allies need for "actual war purposes."

SHAKE-UP IN THE RUSSIAN ARMY

Petrograd, Aug. 2.—(United Press)—General Brusiloff resigned as commander in chief of the Russian armies. General Korniloff, who directed the recent offensive below Lemberg, was named as his successor. General Tehermifof, commander of the eighth army, succeeds General Korniloff.

Putman Is Out

Salem, Ore., Aug. 2.—(United Press)—George Palmer Putman, secretary to Governor James Withycombe, left his important post today. He is publisher of the Bend Bulletin, and his newspaper and other private interests demand his time.

Putman will leave on a business trip to the east.

"I have accepted Mr. Putman's resignation with sincere regret," the governor said. "He has proved himself thoroughly efficient and competent and I dislike losing him. He will always have my warmest regard and best wishes."

Putman is one of the best known newspapermen in the state.

Tea can be bought in China for 3 cents a pound.

Second Liberty Loan Coming In November

Washington, Aug. 2.—(United Press)—A second Liberty Loan for three billion dollars will be launched November fifteenth, Treasury officials said. Before then it is planned to issue nearly a billion dollars of short-time treasury certificates to meet immediate needs.

ITALY WANTS U. S. TO WAR ON AUSTRIA

IS DISPLEASED AT OUR LACK OF RESPONSE—ALSO CALLS FOR ARMS, COAL AND MONEY

Washington, Aug. 2.—(United Press)—International politics creeping into the war overshadowed other developments.

Italy is insistent that America declare war on Austria and is openly displeased at America's lack of response.

The Allied diplomats are conferring daily in the effort to mollify Italy, hoping in the meantime to reach a basis for a separate Austrian peace.

Italy has demanded arms, coal, and money for the offensive against Austria, contending that Italy could win the war if it can get the supplies.

Seattle Street Car Strike Is Ended

Seattle, Aug. 2.—(United Press)—Sixteen hundred striking street-car employees returned to work this morning, giving Seattle street car service for the first time in sixteen days. No excitement accompanied the return to work. The employees won practically every big issue, including union recognition. Six hundred imported strike-breakers are being shipped eastward. The Tacoma street car men also returned to work.

FIVE HUNDRED DEAD RESULT OF HOT WAVE

MIDDLE WESTERN CITIES ARE COOLER—WEATHER BUREAU PROMISES NO RELIEF

New York, Aug. 2.—(United Press)—The hot wave continued to take heavy toll. The total deaths throughout the east are estimated at five hundred.

Middlewestern cities reported lower temperatures, though the Washington weather bureau promised no permanent relief.

"It is announced the temperature of the Eastern Districts will fall slightly tonight, and Friday, but the fall will be only temporary."

Washington is a hot city, the mercury registering one hundred.

ORGANIZER OF HUMANITY LEAGUE INDICTED

Davenport, Iowa, Aug. 2.—(United Press)—Daniel Wallace, organizer of the League of Humanity, and five others were indicted by the Federal Grand Jury on a charge of conspiracy and violating the espionage act.

Campaign On To Sell Liberty Bonds

Washington, D. C., Aug. 2.—(United Press)—The same campaign of overshadowing publicity which made the first bond issue a success is being planned to sell the second loan. The Women's Liberty Loan Committee will be the new feature of the second selling campaign. State chairmen have been named, central offices have been opened here. Millions of posters and five million buttons have been ordered.

The torpedo was invented by David Bushnell, an American, 1777.

KAISER CALLS MEETING OF WAR COUNCIL

HINDENBURG, LUDENDORFF AND CROWN PRINCE ARE SUMMONED

MEETING TO BE HELD IN BRUSSELS

Allies' Offensive in Galicia Is Subject of Worry—General Brusiloff Resigns as Commander-in-Chief of Russian Army and Is Succeeded by General Korniloff—British Make Gains.

Amsterdam, Aug. 2.—(United Press)—The Kaiser has summoned a special meeting of Germany's War Council in Brussels, presumably because of the Allies offensive in Flanders. Hindenburg, Ludendorff and the Crown Prince will attend. The Kaiser has just returned from Galicia.

BRITISH TROOPS SMASH GERMAN DEFENSE

London, Aug. 2.—(United Press)—British troops smashed back the German defenses and retook positions near Ypres and the Roulers Railway, General Haig reported.

Lecture By Dr. Wells Is Tomorrow

Great interest is being taken in the lecture of Dr. Franklin C. Wells, medical director of the Equitable Life Assurance Co., is making a tour of Eastern Washington and Oregon to deliver lectures among the O-W. employees. He will be at the Methodist church, La Grande, tomorrow, August 3, at 1:30 to 2:30 p. m. the public is invited. Employees from various other industries, lumber, mills, etc., are especially invited to attend. Dr. Wells is accompanied by C. G. Sutherland, assistant general manager. Dr. Wells will speak on The Conservation of Human Life.

Former Member Co. M.

Salem, Ore., Aug. 2.—(Special) Private Hugh Martin of the United States Coast Artillery, who is stationed at Fort Stevens, was in the city yesterday for a short visit with his parents. He recently returned from the Presidio where he took a three-months course in baking. He was a former member of Company M, and did his three months on the Mexican border. He liked army life so well he enlisted as a regular soldier.

ATTACKS ON U. S. FLEET ARE DESCRIBED

Washington, Aug. 2.—(Special)—Details of the attacks by German submarines upon the first expedition of American troops sent to France became known for the first time last night when the report of Rear-Admiral Glaves, commanding the naval convoy, was made public by Secretary Daniels. The first attack was made on Admiral Glaves' flagship, leading the first group of the expeditionary force and at least two submarines were indicated to be engaged.

The Admiral stated the belief that the U-boats had knowledge of the coming of the troop ships and were on watch for them.

The second group of transports also was attacked by two submarines, one of which apparently was sent to the bottom by a bomb dropped from an American destroyer.

There is disagreement among officers on the third group as to whether they were attacked, but much evidence is presented to indicate that they also were assailed.

Secretary Daniels made the report public with certain military information deleted, after he had sent an uncensored copy in confidence to the Senate naval committee, members of which recently inquired as to the truth of charges in the Senate that the official account of the attack published on July 3 was greatly exaggerated.

The report was prepared by Admiral Glaves while at a French port and was submitted to Admiral Mayo, in command of the Atlantic fleet, who forwarded it to the navy department.

Wing Fin and Fleetfoot Club.

The car of fish will be at Hilgard at 11 a. m. tomorrow. Members meet there with your autos and help distribute it.