

CALL FOR 500,000 VOLUNTEERS READY

Department Plans to Enlist Regulars and Guards for Length of War.

OFFICERS ARE SKEPTICAL

Belief Is That Opponents of Conscription in Congress Will Be Shown That Old Methods Will Not Meet Necessity.

WASHINGTON, April 12.—The War Department prepared today to issue instructions to recruiting officers which would be in effect a call for 500,000 volunteers to fill up the regular Army and the existing units of the National Guard.

All recruits enlisted since the declaration of war and those to be enlisted hereafter will be notified that they will be discharged at the close of the war, putting them in the status of war-time volunteers.

4355 Enlist in 10 Days. A total of 4355 men already have been enrolled in the regular Army who will come under such status. This number of recruits was accepted during the first 10 days after the passage of the war resolution.

Analysis of the pending Administration bill as it affects the regular Army and the National Guard shows that provision is made for the absorption of 517,868 volunteers. Of these 161,819 will be needed to fill up the regular Army and 356,049 for the National Guard.

As 150,000 men must be withdrawn from these two services within six months to train the first 500,000 increment of the selective conscript army, their places must be taken by that number of additional volunteers.

Army Men Skeptical. By this plan, while absorbing the volunteer spirit of the country, the feasibility of depending entirely upon volunteers will be demonstrated. Army officers are certain that it will show Congress, where there are some doubts of the selective conscription plan, that conscription is necessary to maintain an army adequate to meet the present situation.

The House military committee today agreed to close all hearings on the new Army bill next Saturday, when opponents of the conscription plan will be heard for three hours. Afterward the bill will be taken up for discussion in its final form for prospects of report to the House next week.

Conscription Is in Doubt. Chairman Dent, eager for a unanimous report, while personally opposed to conscription, is willing, if necessary, to yield his own convictions in the interest of a united stand.

Whether the committee will retain the Administration conscription provision or compromise with a volunteer plan for a certain period with ultimate resort to draft is yet to be determined.

HOME GUARDS TO GET ARMS Units Organized in Several New Mexico Cities.

SANTA FE, N. M., April 12.—Organization of home defense volunteer units in Deming, Silver City, Lordsburg, Hurley, Santa Rita, Troskey and other principal towns and mining camps in the New Mexico border counties, Grant and Luna, has begun.

The Governor today made final arrangements for the supply of National Guard rifles and ammunition to these organizations.

MR. LANE VISITS OFFICE Senator Shows No Improvement and May Return to Oregon.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, April 12.—Senator Lane, whose condition shows no material change, spent an hour at his office this afternoon. He is attempting to straighten out some of his affairs which require personal attention, but has not yet definitely decided to leave Washington.

The Senator's family is still trying to persuade him to leave, and he may decide to return to Oregon instead of going to California.

U. OF O. STUDENTS Returning to Eugene from Easter vacation will leave Portland via Oregon Electric Ry. Sunday, April 15. Fast service. Leave North Bank Station 2:05 and 4:40 P. M., and 15 minutes later from Jefferson street.—Adv.

Astoria Enrolls 523 in Regd. Cross. ASTORIA, Or., April 12.—(Special).—Astoria is to have a chapter of the American Red Cross Society. That was decided at the meeting today when the secretary reported that 523 members were enrolled and this number will probably be increased by at least 500. Formal application for a charter has been made to the Coast headquarters.

Commander Blackburn to Speak. Lieutenant-Commander Blackburn will speak at the Helling Theater during the patriotic mass meetings to be held by the Home Betterment League April 13 and 14, on the present military crisis. Mme. Lucie Valair will sing Clifford's Orchestra will entertain from 7 to 8:15.

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CAPTAIN CHARLES GJEDSTED. —Photo by Grove.

NEW TROOP FORMED

Oregon Cavalry Enlists 75. Navy Takes in 72.

REGULAR ARMY GETS 60

Two More Mounted Organizations May Be Formed Here to Complete Full Squadron—Troop A to Furnish Officers.

(Continued From First Page.) quarters in the Worcester building, Captain E. J. Hubscher kept up his good work by enlisting about 60 recruits. His record of the day before 105 men, is believed unequalled in the United States, so far as recruiting for the regular Army is concerned.

Captain Hubscher received official confirmation from the Adjutant-General of the Army at Washington, yesterday, of news dispatches to the effect that men who have joined the Army since the declaration of war will be considered as enlisted for the period of the war only. This applies to all branches of the regular service.

Most of the applications for enlistment so far have been in the infantry. Recruits are needed also in the aviation section, and in the Coast Artillery Corps. In case American troops are ordered to France, Coast Artillery troops will be kept in this country to protect home soil.

Quick Recruiting Demonstrated. The enlistment of 75 men, the full peace strength of a cavalry troop, in one day for the new Troop B yesterday was a remarkable demonstration of how quickly new units can be formed when the work quietly and without systematized. Adjutant-General White has the work of raising recruits down to a system, and what is more to the point the system works.

The formation of the new troop, following the telegram from the War Department authorizing its organization, was discussed at a meeting of the Oregon National Guard general staff last Sunday. It was decided to proceed with the work quietly and without publicity until public subscription was needed. Not until all the preliminary details had been arranged, actual recruiting for the troop began. Captain Gjedsted, of the new troop, was in charge of the recruiting officers, while the men were being enlisted.

Uniforms Are Needed. Although drilling of Troop B began last night, it may be several days before uniforms are issued. As no National Guard cavalry outfits have as yet been called into the Federal service for the war, though a call is expected at any time, troops formed now are on the peace footing of 75 men 12th troop. The war strength is 105 men.

Not a married man, nor one living outside of Portland, was accepted for Troop B. No requests were sent out for men. All the work of actual recruiting was done yesterday afternoon in the recruiting office at 104 Fourth street.

Lieutenants for the troop will be designated later by Captain Gjedsted. They will be trained cavalry men, and probably will be chosen from the non-commissioned officers of Troop A.

Captain Gjedsted has been in Troop A for two years and has seen hard campaigning before he joined the Oregon Guard. He was duty sergeant and then first sergeant with Troop A at the border, and on its return was made Second Lieutenant.

Krens Zeitung Declares Germany Will Defeat Thirteen Hundred Millions of Enemies.

AMSTERDAM, April 11, via London, April 12.—The American Army is held up to ridicule by Major Morant, writing in the Deutsche Tages Zeitung, who jeers at the idea that America can give any effective military aid to the allies. Major Morant says:

"The American Army is no danger to Germany. The Civil War cost 500,000 lives because neither side had a trained army. Now Wilson, forgetful of history, is trying the same thing but it will be 5,000,000 lives more that the ragged soldiery of his countrymen is in inverse ratio to their fighting value."

Major Morant concludes with a sneer at "shoddy American war material," of which he says the Russians could tell a tale.

The Vorwaerts says ironically that it is now considered good form to join the anti-German world league. The Socialist organ declares that Brazil, Peru and Chile, professing to be preparing to fight for humanity and civilization, are really instigated by their material dependence on New York, London and Paris and the ease with which rich German trans-Atlantic communities can be attacked.

The Krens Zeitung says: "Thirteen hundred millions of the world's inhabitants are fighting 70,000,000 Germans. Let the rest of the earth come as well; we will beat them all."

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WHITE PLAGUE SPREADS

150,000 FRENCH SOLDIERS SUFFER FROM DISEASE. Paris Government Assumes Germans Are Inoculating Noncombatants Before Releasing Them.

NEW YORK, April 12.—Dr. Herman M. Biggs, State Commissioner of Health, who recently returned from France, asserted at a dinner last night of the Society of the Alumni of Bellevue Hospital, that from 150,000 to 160,000 French soldiers are at present suffering from active tuberculosis.

Concerning the deported population of France being returned from Germany, Dr. Biggs said: "Of the first 20,000 returned in 1915, 6000 were tubercular. They were wearing the same clothing they had worn eight months before, when they were deported."

Dr. Biggs asserted that so many French prisoners returned from Germany because of ill-health were afflicted with tuberculosis that "it has been assumed they were inoculated in Germany."

He added, however, that he did not believe there was any "real ground for the assumption that French prisoners had been inoculated."

"Great Britain now has 5,000,000 men who have been subjected to rigid physical tests, and among these there is little tuberculosis," said Dr. Biggs.

BAN ON GAMBLING FAVORED

Public Playing Into Hands of Speculators, Says Expert. CHICAGO, April 12.—Prohibition of all gambling in foodstuffs, cessation of the Board of Trade except for actual deliveries and restriction of dealings in futures were indorsed last

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