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Washington.—Emphasis is laid by Provost Marshal General Crowder on the fact that no man within the prescribed age limit except those already in the regular army and navy, the national guard in the federal service or reserve divisions of the naval service, are excused from registration for military service.

If a man's 31st birthday falls on June 5 he is exempt; if it falls on June 6 he must register. If a man is 21 years old the day of the census, he must register.

Failure to register means imprisonment with no alternative of fine.

Men seeking exemption from service because they support one or more dependents must be sure that the person they have in mind is "solely" dependent on them. Otherwise they must "hide behind petticoats or children." The mere fact that one claims exemption will not necessarily exempt him. The question upon which exemption of those with dependents will be determined, reads:

"Have you a father, mother, wife, child under 12, or a sister or brother, under 12, solely dependent upon you for support? (Specify which.)"

100,000 Americans Soon in France. London.—An official statement is issued there says that counting the Americans serving in the British and French armies and the additional units ordered to France, there will shortly be 100,000 Americans in France.

Balance of Trade Favors Japan.

Washington.—Normal trade movements resulting from an enormously expanding export trade was the explanation given at the Japanese embassy for the large withdrawal of gold from America within the last few months.

Wants Recruits' Morals Guarded.

Washington.—Secretary Baker in a letter addressed to the governors of all states asks for co-operation in keeping the army mobilization camps free from improper surroundings and immoral influences.

Will Prosecute Anti-Conscriptionists.

Washington.—Criminal prosecution awaits persons who attempt to prevent registration under the army bill by propaganda or otherwise.

HOOVER PRESENTS FOOD SITUATION

Washington.—Members of the cabinet and others actively engaged in the conduct of the war outlined war aims and needs to a meeting of some 300 editors of the country's technical and trade publications. All emphasized the magnitude of the task before the nation.

The food situation was presented by Herbert C. Hoover, who will be named food administrator. The country, he said, faces a war that probably will last from two to five years.

The allies' grain needs this year, Mr. Hoover said, will amount to about 1,000,000,000 bushels. America and Canada, with good crops, can furnish 60 per cent of this without deprivation, but the allies must have, he declared, at least 80 per cent of their needs to keep their efficiency at the highest average.

Food prices in the United States are too high and, if they continue at the present level, he declared, wage readjustments must come or the working man cannot live. The first thing for the administration to accomplish, Mr. Hoover added, is price stability, not only for this country, but for the allies.

WILL NEED 8000 WORKMEN

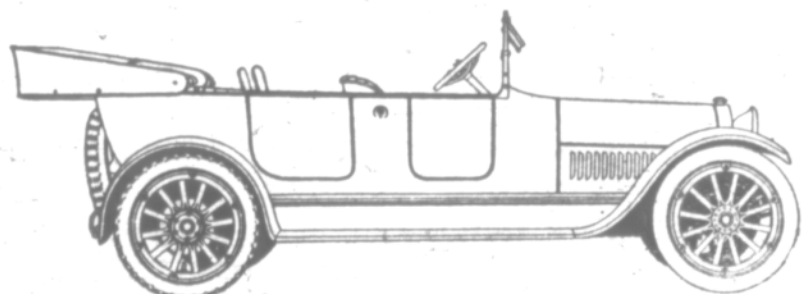
American Lake Project to Rank First in Northwest.

Tacoma, Wash.—Mechanics will be brought to American Lake to construct the thousands of buildings needed there even if all work of this character has to be stopped in Tacoma, Portland, Seattle and other northwest cities. That announcement was made by the representatives of the quartermaster's department of the army, who are here to supervise the preliminary work.

It will be necessary to build thousands of buildings to house the 60,000 troops to be brought to camp, beginning September 1. Of this number, 300 of the structures will be of a permanent character. The great task must be completed by the date of the first arrival of soldiers. Captain David L. Stone estimates that 8000 workmen will be employed there during the summer.

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A MESSAGE FROM SECRETARY W. G. M'ADOO

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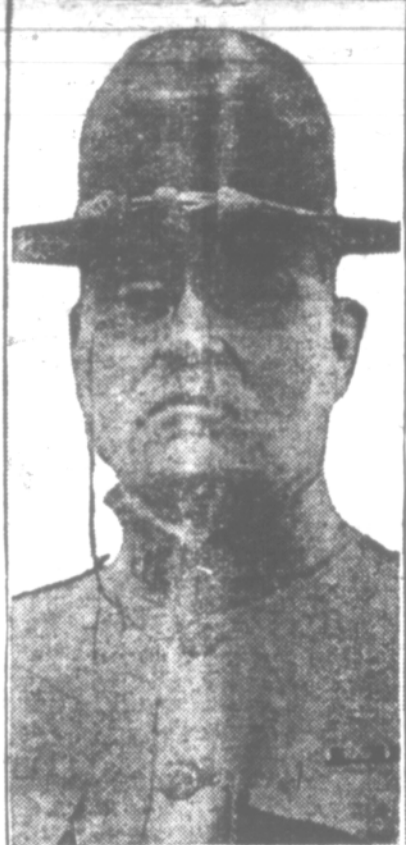
it his or her business to subscribe to the Liberty Loan immediately, and if they cannot subscribe themselves, let them induce somebody else to subscribe. Provide the Government with the funds indisputably needed for the conduct of the war and give notice to the enemies of the United States that we have billions to sacrifice in the cause of liberty.

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Gen. Tasker H. Bliss, acting chief of staff while General Scott is absent with the Russian commission.

LABOR LEADERS ARRESTED

Seattle City Employee Declared Responsible for Attacks on Registration.

Seattle, Wash.—Hulet M. Wells, ex-president of the Seattle Central Labor Council, and Sam Sadler, formerly connected with the Longshoremen's union, were arrested by a representative of the United States secret service, charged with having participated in the circulation of alleged seditious literature, consisting of anti-draft circulars distributed throughout Seattle the past fortnight.

According to secret service agents, Wells is at the head of the Seattle branch of the "No Conscription League," which has flooded Seattle with anti-draft handbills and other literature and painted on fences and sidewalks, in large red letters, exhortations to "resist conscription." Sidewalks all over town have been daubed with these words nightly.

Fate of Russia Depends on Soldiers. Petrograd, via London.—Virtually all the divergent political factions, all class organizations, councils and even the socialist leaders, with the exception of the extreme leftists, re-echo the appeal of Minister of War Kerensky to the troops and applaud the new order of the day, "advance."

No U. S. Warships Sunk in War Zone. Washington.—A categorical denial that any American naval vessels have been sunk in the war was issued by Secretary Daniels to counteract a "campaign of vicious rumors that is being carried on so industriously by persons unknown."

SENATORS CUT OUT GROSS SALES TAX

Surtax Is Also Rejected, But Other Levies Will Be Substituted.

Washington.—Proposals for a 5 per cent tax on manufacturers' gross sales in many industries and for greatly increased surtaxes on big incomes were stricken out of the war revenue bill by the senate finance committee, cutting down by many millions the total revenue provided for as the measure passed the house.

The senate finance committee decided to strike out the whole section levying \$200,000,000 by a general tariff increase of 10 per cent on an ad valorem basis.

As a substitute the committee proposes direct excise, or consumption taxes on sugar, tea, coffee and cocoa.

The administration's food survey bill, first of the food-control measures, was passed by the house without a record vote. It appropriates \$14,770,000 for an immediate investigation of the country's food resources and for measures to stimulate production.

The war revenue bill, framed to bring into the treasury \$1,800,000,000 through new taxation during the coming year, passed the house by a vote of 329 to 76 in almost the same form that it was presented by the ways and means committee.

Outstanding features of the house bill are the greatly increased income, inheritance, excess profits, liquor, cigar and tobacco taxes, virtual abolition of the present customs free list and a 10 per cent addition to existing tariffs, new taxes on manufacturers, amusements, clubs, public utilities and insurance, a far-reaching stamp tax and a greatly increased second-class mail matter rate based on the parcel post zone system.

Liberty Loan Facts.

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Lumber Price to Be \$40.
Seattle.—West coast lumbermen have agreed at a meeting here, to sell lumber for government shipbuilding at \$40 per thousand feet and not to raise prices as the demand increases.



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