

50,000 RENTERS FIGHT LANDLORDS IN NEW YORK

Profiteering By Landlords Resented—Trouble Started Last Winter When Landlords Failed to Heat Apartment Houses—Tenants on Strike—Many Refuse Payment.

By J. H. Duckworth

NEW YORK, June 21.—Over 50,000 families are now involved in the fight against the profiteering landlord in New York. Both sides are thoroughly organized. The struggle is to be fought to a finish.

Samuel Orr, lawyer and city assemblyman, is the principal legal adviser for the oppressed tenants; Bernard Deutsch is president of the "landlords' trust."

"We are going to win this fight," said Orr today, "if the tenants will stick together. The only thing the landlords can do will be to start the wholesale eviction of 50,000 families, which would rival the present flight of French refugees before the German armies."

Started Last Winter

Falling federal action to protect householders, we intend to fight this unpatriotic robbing ourselves.

"We are going to show what tenants in other parts of the country can do if they will only stick together."

The rent clash started last winter. Many apartment houses were without heat. In a number of cases, according to Orr, the landlords had coal in their cellars. The tenants bought gas stoves, electric heaters and coal and deducted the cost (\$2 to \$3) from the rent. A few landlords saw the fairness of these deductions and allowed them, but the majority instituted dispossession proceedings.

For two or three months the municipal courts in the Bronx borough were busy trying hundreds of these cases a day.

Tenant's leagues were organized, the members paying 25 cents a month in dues, the leagues furnishing attorneys in case of trouble.

Leagues Organized

The law of summary proceedings is contained in the code of civil procedure, and under the terms of this the judges were helpless to give the tenants relief.

The tenants of 1102 and 1106 University avenue, the Bronx, recently raised a big rampus over a further boost in their rents. Last January the owner threatened increase. The tenants arranged a conference with the owner who agreed not to raise rents while unable to provide heat. The "happy day" was postponed until May, when the rents were raised \$5, \$7 and \$9 higher. This was on apartments renting from \$25 to \$30 a month.

Tenants on Strike

The tenants went on strike. The owner took "holdover proceedings." After receiving a dispossession notice a tenant may remain in his apartment if he pays the overdue rent into court; the landlord is compelled to accept it. In case of "holdover proceedings" the landlord tries to get the tenant out, rent or no rent.

The cases went to court, but tenants got short shrift from Judge Peter Shell, who said he had "no sympathy for tenants." Attorney Orr put up a keen fight, but the best he could do for the tenants was three days' grace to find other accommodations. Finally 15 moved away from the two houses.

All New York is watching with the keenest interest this Bronx war on war-profiteering landlords.

NON-PRODUCERS SCHEDULED FOR ARMY AT ONCE

General Crowder Interprets Work of Fight Order Issued by Draft Board—Local Boards to Use Common Sense—Baseball Players Non-Prod. as Are Auto Salesmen.

WASHINGTON, June 21.—New regulations issued to draft boards today by Provost-Marshal General Crowder to govern application of the work or fight order does not rule specifically upon the status of professional baseball players or other classes which may be affected, but emphasizes the section of the order placing games and sports among the occupations classed as non-useful.

In an oral statement announcing the regulations, officials of General Crowder's office said:

"At present, the occupation of a baseball player is regarded as non-productive, but that until a case has been appealed from a local board there would be no ruling on the subject."

Use Common Sense

"Local boards will consider cases of withdrawal of deferred classification with common sense," General Crowder's instruction say, and they name illness, vacation, the impossibility of securing productive employment without a change of residence, as reasonable grounds for waiving the general order. While sales clerks in stores and clerical workers in offices are classed as non-producers, boards are directed to exempt department store executives and skilled workers attached to such establishments. Traveling salesmen will be considered as engaged in productive employment, but automobile salesmen in cities, will not, it was explained. Public or private chauffeurs are held to be non-producers only when they combine other work with their mechanical duties.

Boards are asked to assist registrars to obtain new employment thru the federal employment service and are given power to postpone action while efforts are being made to place men in occupations held productive.

"When it has been determined that a person in deferred classification is an idler or is engaged in non-productive employment," the instruction says, "the classification and order number of such persons will be withdrawn and he will immediately be induced into the military service."

"The regulations provide that persons engaged in the service of food and drink, or either in public places including hotels and social clubs are engaged in non-productive employment. This, however, does not include managers, clerks, cooks or other employes unless they are engaged in the actual serving of foods and drinks."

"The regulations further provide that passenger elevator operators and attendants and doormen, footmen, carriage operators and other attendants in clubs, hotels, stores apartment houses, office buildings and bath houses are engaged in non-productive employment. The words 'other attendants' include bell boys and include porters, unless such porters are engaged in heavy work."

Non-Productive Work

"The regulations further provide that persons including ushers and other attendants, engaged and occupied in and in connection with games, sports and amusements, excepting actual performances, are engaged in legitimate concerts, operas and theatrical performances, are engaged in non-productive occupations or employments. This includes, in addition to ushers and other attendants all persons engaged and occupied in games, sports and amusements, except actual performers and legitimate concerts, operas and theatrical performances."

"The regulations further provide that a person engaged in domestic service is engaged in non-productive employment or occupation, but this does not include public or private chauffeurs, unless they shall be engaged in some other occupation or employment defined as non-productive."

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127 NAMES ON MARINE CASUALTY LIST FROM MARNE

WASHINGTON, June 21.—The marine corps casualty list issued today contained 127 names, divided as follows: Killed in action, 10; died of wounds, 19; wounded severely, 98.

The list includes Private John McLean, Pearl, Ida., killed in action.

Private Bertie B. Newton, 4707 Eleventh avenue, northeast, of Seattle, Wash., wounded in action severely; Private Seth C. Cadman, 248 24th street, Portland, Ore.; wounded in action severely.

Killed in Action

Privates John McLean, Pearl, Ida.; Emmett, Wempner, London, Ind.; David S. Graham, Chisholm, Minn.; William B. Parnley, Newton, Iowa; Philip L. Albert, Brooklyn; Louis E. Lee, Nashville, Tenn.; Randall A. Mattingley, Cape Girardeau, Mo.; Arthur B. Sawyer, Key West, Fla.; First Sergeant John Grant, Mars Hill, Maine; Sergeant Vincent M. Schwab, St. Louis.

Died of wounds received in action:

Sergeant Charles H. Meyer, Chicago; Harold J. Cox, Cedar Rapids, Ia.; Trumpeter Charles C. Coe, Chicago; Privates Hollis M. Cannon, Westminster, Mass.; Joseph L. Orr, Matthews, N. C.; Ira H. Banister, Dryden, Mich.; Stanley D. Carpenter, Pittsburg, Pa.; Arthur D. Sims, Memphis, Tenn.; Saylor D. Shanafelt, Sigmund, Ia.; Robert L. Brainerd, Ash-tabula, Ohio; James J. Yoakum, Dubuque, Ia.; Charles H. Carey, Salem, Ohio; Anton B. Ellis, Hyannis, Mass.; Geo. R. Gerard, North Nashville, Tenn.; Raymond W. Smith, Canajoharie, N. Y.; Ralph Cooke, Boston; Donald M. Blankenship, Rome, Ga.; Frank F. Shiloman, Rochester, N. Y.; Frank T. Quinlan, Manistique, Mich.

38 NAMES UPON ARMY CASUALTY LIST FROM FRANCE

WASHINGTON, June 21.—The army casualty list today contained 38 names, divided as follows: Killed in action six; died of wounds, one; died of disease, three; wounded severely, 27; wounded, degree undetermined, one.

Killed in action: Sergeant James Lucas, Courtland, Ind.; Horsaehoeer Ray Williams, Addison, N. Y.; Privates Homer G. Harris, Thurber, Tex.; Thos. J. O'Connell, New York; Walter Slomka, Chicago; Thomas Zangara, Passaic, N. J.

Died of wounds: Private Benjamin Saltzman, Brooklyn. Died of disease: Privates Samuel C. Garrigues, Imperial, Cal.; Clyde M. Goodsell, Topeka.

Wounded, degree undetermined:

Kans.: Robert Griffin, Belzoni, Miss. Severely wounded; Corporals Paul Danbridge, Paducah, Ky.; Lonzo Fidler, Springfield, Ill.; Charles Hoffman, Cincinnati; William Little, Eddyville, Neb.; William H. Parsons, Sandy Hook, Ky.; Mike P. Quinn, Conifer, Pa.; Edward Albert Ross, Grass Valley, Cal.; Wagoner Howard L. Smith, Perry, Iowa; Privates Virgil Bailey, Iowa Falls, Ia.; Lauron Boggs, Gilliam, Mo.; Alexander Blass, Forbes Road, Pa.; Raymond D. Brown, Fabyan, Conn.; Joseph C. Bussiere, Barre, Vt.; Louis A. Disher, Sullivan, Ind.; Edward J. Driscoll, Caledonia, Minn.; George J. Durkin, Baltimore, Md.; Joseph Lebedevan, Montville, Conn.; Walter L. McDowell, Lyons, Meb.; Jos. M. Martinez, Beaver City, Utah; John F. Minter, Erie, Pa.; Emery Washington Nobles, Easton, Kans.; John A. Peterson, Sandville, Sweden; James Porter, South Boston, Mass.

Nesdam Roberts, New York; Jos. Sykut, Three Rivers, Mass.; William B. Thomas, Lake Charles, La.; Floyd H. Whittemore, Milton, Va.

Wounded, degree undetermined:

ARMY AVIATOR KILLED FLYING AT BELLEVILLE

ST. LOUIS, June 21.—Lieutenant James Rubler, of St. Louis, was killed this morning, when the machine in which he was flying with John N. Kaffer, cadet, fell one mile from Scott Field, near Belleville.

AUSTRIANS LOSE GROUND.

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All Italian attacks, especially along the Piave, have been repulsed. The fighting is now in its seventh day. Heavy rains are reported in the mountains and these may add to the torrent in the Piave which already has washed away many bridges. With the flooded river behind the

enemy the Italian counter attacks are gaining in strength in an effort to wipe out or capture the troops which have crossed the Piave and have been unable to advance into the Venetian plain.

REVOLT IN AUSTRIA.

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nation at Prague, Bohemia, and the industrial centers in that district, says the Neue Freie Presse of Vienna, has become so serious that the Austrian government will either be compelled to increase the bread ration or run the risk of still further exciting the working people. In the latter event, the newspaper declares, railway communication would be cut off and a revolution would break out.

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WASHINGTON, June 21.—Through freight rates from the Atlantic coast to the west, lower than the commodity rates heretofore in effect today were ordered established by the railroad administration.

WASHINGTON, June 21.—Nomination of a long list of general officers to fill vacancies in the expanding army is expected at an early date. In presenting a previous list, General March, the chief of staff, showed a tendency to apply the selective system without any regard whatever to seniority. He apparently picked out officers from his knowledge of their fitness for the position to which he wished to assign them.

It is probable General Pershing, in making his selections for the overseas forces, has ignored the seniority rule also. When the last list came out the fact that the war department had applied selection absolutely, while General Pershing had followed another policy, is understood to have caused some correspondence.

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