

### QUICK ACTION BY DRIVER AVOIDS AUTO DISASTER

Considerable excitement was caused by an auto accident at the corner of East Main street and North Central this forenoon, in which fortunately no one was seriously injured. Had it not been for the presence of mind and quick action by C. T. Henselman, driver of the A-land interurban car, a number of persons might have suffered serious injuries and two cars would probably have been badly wrecked.

The interurban car, which had the right-of-way, was coming west on Main street, when from South Central avenue, a car containing Rev. W. K. Morenz Oeser and family and driven by his daughter, crossed the street to North Central. Henselman had to make up his mind in a second to turn aside sharply or else crash into the car in front of which were several children.

He swerved his car so sharply into North Central that it was thrown over on its side by the Jackson County Bank building. The three passengers in the interurban scrambled out from the overturned car as quickly as possible, and only one of them, Miss Poley of Ashland, was found to have been hurt. She had suffered a cut on the cheek which bled profusely. As an old man emerged from the car and arose to his feet he soberly inquired of Henselman, "Is this Medford?" thereby causing much laughter to the gathered crowd.

The interurban car suffered considerable minor damage but was able to leave the scene without aid. Much praise was heard from witnesses of the accident for the conduct of Mr. Henselman, who has the reputation of being a very careful driver, which alone avoided a serious accident.

### BRITISH TOWNS TO ADOPT U. S. TROOPS

LONDON, Aug. 14.—The hospitality of British private homes is to be extended to American soldiers and sailors. Newport, England, will adopt soldiers and sailors from Newport, R. I.; Worcester will adopt Worcester, Mass., and it is proposed that London adopt New York.

### YOUTHS OF 21 IN COUNTY MUST REGISTER AUG. 24

In accordance with the proclamation of President Wilson the county draft board today announced that all young men who have become of age since June 25 last must register for military service on August 24th. This applies only to those who have become of age since June 5th, or who will be 21 years old on or before August 24th, and this special registration should not be confused with the coming big general registration in September.

The draft board announces the following registrars for this registration, all of whom served as registrars for the registration on June 5th last: T. W. Miles and Fred W. Mears, Medford; Nellie Bickley, Ashland; G. W. Barker, Butte Falls; W. C. Clements, Eagle Point; A. E. Kellogg, Gold Hill; Gladys Rose, Applegate; E. E. Ash, Trail, and the draft board at Jacksonville.

Last night ten young men, all volunteers, were started by the draft board to Portland to take the mechanical course at the Benson Polytechnic institute. They were E. S. Young, W. C. Grim, S. V. Bell, W. B. McDonald, R. M. Hayman, W. M. Davis, G. W. Davis, G. H. Drake, C. A. Burkhardt, and J. B. Bushong.

Ten more drafted young men will leave within a few days for Camp Lewis, to fill up vacancies at Camp Lewis caused by rejections of Jackson county men in a recent large contingent sent to that cantonment. They are: Leroy J. Henssauer, G. W. Margraeriter, H. H. Lee, Roy Vaughan, Guy Waddell, E. M. Brigham, E. G. Robertson, Owen Conover, E. E. L. Richard, and N. R. Zimmerman.

### BOMBS DROPPED ON U-BOAT.

A German submarine in New England waters, was reported today by nine survivors of the vessel who were brought here by a tug. The tug picked up two officers and seven men and other vessels landed 29 of the crew at Cape Cod points earlier in the day. The men were not permitted to discuss the attack on the Pensinone until they had been questioned by naval authorities.

### THREE MILLION AMERICANS TO BE IN FRANCE BY JUNE

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was necessary to drop to 18 years of age and to go to 45 in order to get the men to carry it thru. All the men obtained under the proposed change in the draft law—approximately 2,300,000—we expect to have in France by June 30, 1918.

**Young Men Preferred**  
General March told the committee that he was unqualifiedly in favor of having the army composed of as many young men as possible. Young men between 18 and 20, he said, not only do not have many encumbrances but they are better fit physically.

"The president," said General March, resuming his statement, "has finally announced that the American military policy from this time on is centered on the western front and we have declined to be diverted from that one thing. The war department has now adopted this as a policy and it is the policy of the United States that the military program is to be centered in France.

"The purpose of America is to furnish enough man-power to whip the Germans from now on. The only way that Germany can be whipped is by America going into this thing with her whole strength."

**Up to America to Win**  
Then America has got to put enough men over there to whip Germany?" asked Senator Kirby.

"That is it in a nutshell," General March replied.

"It is up to us to win the war and we can win it. How long it will take will depend exactly upon what we do. If we drag along with this thing and put a small force over there we will be playing Germany's game. It is my belief that with an American army of 4,000,000 men in France under one commander in chief we can

go thru the German line wherever we please."

"This law," the general added, "will let us lean on class one until June 30 of next year. We reached the conclusion that the entire program was necessary on July 20."

Secretary Baker explained the steps that led up to the change in the military program.

### Cause of Change in Plans

"After the recess of congress," the secretary said, "the study of the situation went on and a few days ago it became clear to us that the 80 division program was perhaps the maximum which we could possibly hope to accomplish and that to accomplish that it would be necessary to change the age limits from the present limits to 18 to 45."

Secretary Baker said he asked the surgeon general for a formal opinion as to what changes he would recommend, to which the surgeon general suggested the ages 18 to 45.

"The bill as it is written meets with my entire approval," declared Secretary Baker. Asked by Senator Johnson of California if he believed the pending bill was essential to carry out the purpose for which the United States entered the war, Secretary Baker replied:

"I believe that to be the fact. My own judgment about it originally was that 19 should be the minimum and I came to the 18 minimum only after thorough study of the situation and with some reluctance but now believe it necessary to secure the appropriate number of men."

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### DAGE LAST TIMES TONIGHT

Jack Pickford  
Huck and Tom

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COMING TOMORROW AND SATURDAY

The Great NAZIMOVA in Toys of Fate

amendment of Senator Reed, providing for withdrawal of deferred classification absent from work without cause, the report says:

### Exemptions Provided

"It seems to the committee that in view of the fact that we are about to authorize the drafting of boys between 18 and 21 as well as those above 21 up to and inclusive of 45 and are providing for the exemption of men between 18 and 45 who are engaged in useful and necessary occupations from actual service in the ranks, that when any are exempted solely from that cause, their services are more valuable to the nation in the production of things essential to the prosecution of the war, than when they cease in good faith to follow the essential occupation they ought to be subject to the draft as in other cases."

"The young man not engaged in these occupations must wear the uniform, enter the ranks and bare his breast to the weapons of the German army. He cannot refuse to work even for an hour, and he is compelled to fight whether he feels dis-

posed to do so or not. In view of this, when a young man is exempted from the draft solely in order that he may engage in an essential industry he ought to continue in that employment in good faith while any privilege is being adjusted by the industrial board and if he fails to do so he ought to be subject to draft.

"The provision does not pretend to interfere with the right of any man to cease labor when any man pleases to do so, but simply says to him that if he does cease he shall, under such regulations as the president may prescribe, subject himself to the draft as he had not been exempted in the first instance."

### JAPAN SAID TO PLAN GREAT WAR STROKE

LONDON, Aug. 15.—"If the Japanese government," says Reynolds' Newspaper, "adopts certain plans which are now before it, they will have as great an influence on the future of the war as anything which has happened since August, 1914."

### RECOGNIZE CZECHO-SLOVAKS

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able to even hint at the number of troops that might be authorized for such a service, but it is recalled that Premier Teruchi stated that Japan was prepared to employ a much larger force than had been originally contemplated to Siberia if it should be necessary to check the activities of the Austro-German prisoners and the elements under their control.

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The new suits have an indescribable charm, the styles are so clever and the new colors are pleasing. Coats are 34 to 42 inches long and have the new two-way collar. The plain tailored effect predominates although some of the styles are rather fancy. Pretty belted and pleated backs are in evidence. Colors are chocolate brown, plum, gray, navy blue.

### Coats \$18.50 to \$100

Predominating colors in the new coats are black, brown, Burgundy, green, taupe, gray, Pekin blue. Many of these smart coats are made with large shawl collar that adds a very rich effect. Most of the coats are 48 inches long and many of them have a very stylish belted effect.

The Colors, the Materials, the Styles are Wonderful.

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We are constantly scouring the markets and manufacturing centers for merchandise that we can sell to our customers at low prices and still maintain our standards of quality.

The outlook from the merchandise standpoint for this Fall is very discouraging as to prices and we earnestly advise our patrons to plan to buy their Fall requirements during the month of August for prices in many cases will be double what they now are and many items unobtainable at all.

Our very large stocks of highest quality goods are attracting trade from the entire Rogue River valley and from all indications the month of August will see many lines entirely closed out that cannot be replaced at any price.

Our average resale prices are lower right now than in any other store in the state and we are going to maintain them as long as we can.

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