

# LOTTERY SYSTEM TO SUMMON BOYS IN OUR NEXT WAR

## War Department Works Out Plan for Conscription — Men to Be Registered in Three Classifications.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 11.—(AP)—Details of a national lottery plan for conscripting citizens into the armed forces of the United States in wartime, were worked out here today by U. S. war department officials and army officers.

Thirteen million men between 21 and 31 years of age would be summoned in the first draft, military officials disclosed.

Colonel V. J. O'Kellier and Major Lewis B. Hershey, both of the army general staff in Washington, headed a group of army authorities and army reserve specialists who met here yesterday for a four-day conference.

Their visit was to perfect in the ton western states the far-flung mechanism of the selective service plan for the next war.

Independent Agency  
Major Hershey said the draft would be conducted by an independent government agency, permitting the armed forces to concern themselves entirely with the enemy.

"We had to look for our men in the last war," he said. "But the program has been changed. In the future, war will be fought by an organized nation, with the army looking to the civilian population for men, money and material."

The major said the project called for the setting up of a selective service board headquarters in Washington and subdivisions in counties. A total of 6,000 draft board officers were contemplated.

Future conscripts, he said, would be divided into four classifications: Those ready to go, those with a reasonable reason for delay, those with dependents, and those unfit or ranked as office holders.

When the men were registered, it was explained, each would be given a number, identical in each of the 6,000 offices, to constitute a "class."

Drawing To Determine  
Lottery procedure will be followed, with numbers being drawn from a drum in Washington to determine the order of the draft.

Army officials estimated a million men could be summoned to arms the first month. Thereafter, men would be called at the rate of 330,000 the second month, 260,000 the third month, and 300,000 the fourth month.

Military needs would determine the rate of conscription thereafter.

War department officials have prepared a blanket bill to be presented to congress to authorize such a conscription agency.

"Past wars have shown compulsory service is necessary," declared Major Hershey. "It's our job to see that when and if the need is there, we will have the technical details as nearly up-to-date as possible."

The states represented at the conference were California, Washington, Oregon, Nevada, Idaho, Colorado, Montana, Wyoming, Utah, and Texas. Arizona sent no representative.

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**JUNE WEDDING** of John Roosevelt, youngest son of the President, and Anne Lindsay Clark, seen battling a Boston breeze, will be held in tiny church in Nahant, Mass. She is the daughter of Mrs. F. Haven Clark, widow of a wealthy Boston banker.

## POSITIVE WASSERMAN BAD CHECK PASSER NOT ALWAYS RELIABLE CONFESSES LEAVING ASSERTS MAYO CHIEF SAMPLE OF ART HERE

WORCESTER, Mass., May 11.—(AP)—State laws which forbid persons with positive Wasserman tests from marrying are "doing an injustice to the individual and the community," Dr. Paul A. Leary, head of the dermatology section of Mayo hospital, Rochester, Minn., believes.

The Wasserman test "has not proved adequate" he told the Worcester district dental society last night.

He declared some states have been "too zealous" in attempting to stem the spread of syphilis.

"Many persons with a positive Wasserman test year after year," he said, "are no danger to their family, their children, nor the community, whereas many with a persistently negative reaction are memores."

He added "only the most careful medical study reveals these differences and no law can be written, on the basis of present medical knowledge, which would attain the goal sought."

He said that one-third of those contracting the disease are "cured spontaneously" often without medical aid, through defense body mechanisms. Another third, he said, get

ALBANY, May 11.—(AP)—If the story he is asserted to have told State Police Sergeant Ernest Larjos is true, John Milton Allen, 54, has been playing a game of paper chase with officers in four states during the last few months.

Allen was bound over to the circuit court grand jury here yesterday under \$1000 bond on a charge of forgery, after confessing, Sergeant Larjos said, to having left behind him a trail of worthless checks starting in Arizona and leading through Nevada, Idaho and Oregon to Albany, where Allen was arrested by state police Sunday.

According to the officer, Allen told him he had cashed two or more spurious checks at Grants Pass, Medford, Astoria, Roseburg and Eugene, as well as two at Albany.

Allen's companion, Mary Wilson, 17, was arrested on a vagrancy charge and sentenced to 10 days in the county jail, but local authorities are attempting to arrange for her return to her home in Arizona.

"only a mild reaction," the remainder, he said, are "those suffering all the horrible effects."

# WHEAT PROSPECT NEAR RECORD AT PRESENT STAGE

## Winter Crop Will Total 754 Million Bushels Is Indication — Subsoil Moisture Is Lacking in Plains

WASHINGTON, May 11.—(AP)—The agriculture department reported today that conditions on May 1 indicated the 1938 winter wheat crop would total 754,000,000 bushels—second largest production on record.

The department added, however, that weather conditions during the next 30 days might change prospects.

"Present surplus soil moisture conditions are favorable," the board said, "but extensive measurements indicate a lack of subsoil moisture over a considerable portion of the western great plains area and emphasize the dependence of the crop in these areas upon favorable weather conditions during the next 30 days."

Rank Plant Growth  
"The favorable season today has produced a rank plant development quite generally over the country. Consequently, more moisture than usual will be necessary to mature the crop and the danger of loss from lodging is enhanced."

A month ago 735,707,000 bushels were indicated. Production was 685,102,000 bushels last year. Average production was 546,590,000 bushels during the 10 years 1927-36.

Indicated yield is 14.9 bushels an acre, compared with 14.6 last year and 14.5, the 10-year average.

Winter wheat acreage sown last fall was 57,316,000, of which 50,677,000 acres remain for harvest, with abandonment totaling 11.6 percent.

Acreage sown for the 1937 crop was 57,412,000, remaining for harvest 48,946,000 acres, and abandonment 18.5 percent. The 1937-36 average sowings were 45,844,000 acres, remaining for harvest 37,281,000 acres, and abandonment 18.2 percent.

Rye production of 31,753,000 bushels was indicated from May 1 conditions, compared with 49,449,000 bushels last year, and 36,454,000 bushels, the 10-year average. Indicated yield is 12.8 bushels an acre, compared with 12.9 last year, and 11.3, the 10-year average.

Hay Near Normal  
The condition of hay on May 1 was 84 percent of a normal, compared with 73 a year ago, and 79 the 10-year average.

Pasture condition was 82 percent of a normal, compared with 69 a year ago, and 75, the 10-year average.

Stocks of hay on farms May 1 totaled 12,724,000 tons, or 15.3 percent of last year's crop, compared with 6,047,000 tons and 8.6 percent in 1937, and 4,247,000 and 11.5 percent, the 10-year average.

Indicated production of winter wheat by important producing states includes: Washington 31,200,000; Oregon 15,065,000; California 12,946,000.

# Meteorological Report

Medford and vicinity: Unsettled tonight and Thursday with occasional rain, moderate temperature.

Oregon: Unsettled tonight and Thursday; showers east and occasional rain west portion; moderate temperature; increasing southerly wind off coast.

Local Data  
Temperature a year ago today: highest 68; lowest 50.

Total monthly precipitation, 28 inches; deficiency for the month, 17 inches.

Total precipitation since September 1, 1937, 24.66 inches; excess for the season, 8.88 inches.

Relative humidity at 5 p. m. yesterday, 25 percent; 5 a. m. today, 75 percent.

Tomorrow: sunrise 4:53 a. m.; sunset, 7:21 p. m.

Observations Taken at 5 a. m., 120 Meridian Time.

CITY	High	Low	Wind	Weather
Boise	72	44	00	Cloudy
Boston	66	50	00	Cloudy
Chicago	58	38	00	Clear
Denver	72	44	00	P Cloudy
Eureka	56	50	00	Cloudy
Helena	80	44	00	Cloudy
Los Angeles	78	52	00	Cloudy
Medford	76	52	T	Rain
New York	62	44	10	Cloudy
Omaha	74	52	T	P Cloudy
Phoenix	92	54	00	Clear
Portland	62	52	30	Clear
Reno	76	58	00	Clear
Roseburg	72	52	01	Cloudy
Salt Lake	74	46	00	P Cloudy
San Francisco	68	48	00	P Cloudy
Seattle	58	48	34	Rain
Spokane	64	48	05	Rain
Wash., D. C.	68	50	00	P Cloudy
Yakima	72	50	12	Cloudy

AGED MAN'S DEATH CONTINUES PUZZLE

EUGENE, May 11.—(AP)—Officers investigating the death of John C. Baker, aged Grants Pass man found dead on the Pacific highway south of here late Sunday night, were still uncertain as to the manner in which he met death today, they said.

At first thought the victim of a hit-run motorist, medical examination revealing eight cuts on the man's head led officers to suspect possible foul play.

No additional evidence either way had been found today, it was said.

# HOUSE COMMITTEE FAVORS PROBE OF NAZIS IN AMERICA

## Dickstein Warns Another Riot Looms With Opening of Nazi Camp Next Week — 31 Camps in U. S.

WASHINGTON, May 11.—(AP)—The house rules committee approved a resolution by Representative Dies (D., Tex.) today for a congressional investigation of "un-American propaganda activities" in the United States.

Chairman Dickstein (D., N. Y.), of the immigration committee, said the inquiry which would be conducted by seven house members, was necessary to prevent "riots and bloodshed."

"There is going to be another riot next week," he said. "They are going to have a parade of 100,000 Nazis opening up Camp Stegfeld, Long Island."

Legion Would Act  
"A group of legion members came to me yesterday and said they were ready to take the law in their own hands because they say these Nazis can't goose step and 'Heil, Hitler, and carry on with swastikas.'"

Holding up a photostatic copy of what he said was a secret record of Fritz Kuhn, head of the German-American Bund, Dickstein said it showed the location of 31 Nazi camps in the United States that were paid for by foreign money.

"These Nazi organizations cannot operate without money," he shouted at the committee hearing, "and that money is coming in from Germany."

He said Nazi agents had sent a million war draft forms to men of German blood in the United States and that Nazis and fascists in America had combined for "espionage and the destruction of democracy."

Worse Than Communism  
Communism is not so dangerous as fascism and nazism at this point, Dickstein added, because the communist party has only 32,000 members and the Bund has 460,000, including youths.

"I favor setting up an investigation that would run them out of the country," remarked Representative Cox (D., Ga.).

"Suppose I tell you," Dickstein asserted, "that 20 big industries in this country have contributed money to the Nazi cause because they have interests in Germany. It runs into six figures. One gave \$20,000."

Chairman O'Connor (D., N. Y.) of the rules committee said he had received many letters from Kuhn saying he would welcome an investigation.

A similar resolution, with more emphasis on the Nazis, was tabled by the house two years ago. Dies said his resolution would provide for investigation of all subversive and un-American influences either foreign or domestic in origin.

The Young Men's and Young Ladies' Catholic clubs are sponsoring a comedy drama in three acts Thursday and Friday evenings, May 12 and 13, in St. Mary's academy auditorium. The play, "A Little Clodhopper," was written by Walter Ben Hare. Preceding the main attraction there will be a pantomime staged by the Young Men's club entitled "And the Lamp Went Out." Characters for this hilarious entertainment are Charles Morrissey, Lewell Dupray, John Wilkinson and Paul Sakralda. Gene Monaco will act as reader.

Programs for the plays were distributed Sunday morning at church. The cast for "A Little Clodhopper" includes septimus Green, Gene Monaco; Judy Elliot, the little clodhopper, Mary Morrissey; Mrs. Chigerson-Bozza, Catherine Porterfield; George Chigerson, her spoiled son, Ted Nave; Charman Carter, an actress from the city, LaVonne Mills; Okey Gump, a product of Splinterville, Missouri, Warren Loffer, and Miss Julietta Bean, Okey's sweetheart, James Jensen.

Mary Morrissey is chairman of the program committee with Geraldine Wilkinson, Jeannette McKee, Virginia Harmon, Catherine Porterfield, Norbert Miksche and Eusebio Dallaire assisting. Patricia Wilkinson, Mary Gritsch and Mary Wilcox will usher for the two evenings.

The technical staff includes, directors, Rev. Augustine Meyer and Rev. Francis Black, with Geraldine Wilkinson assisting; stage manager, Norbert Miksche; property manager, Jeannette McKee. The furniture was obtained through the courtesy of Montgomery Ward & Company.

GENERAL MARSHALL TO GENERAL STAFF DUTY

WASHINGTON, May 11.—(AP)—The war department detailed Brigadier General George C. Marshall, commander of the 3th infantry brigade, Vancouver Barracks, Washington, to the war department general staff today. He will be assigned to duty in the office of the chief of staff here. He will sail from San Francisco for New York, June 18.

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