

OFFICIALS RAP LOOPHOLES TO EVADE DRAFT

By PAUL W. HARVEY JR.
SALEM, Aug. 12 (AP)—State selective service officials agree that something must be done soon to stop the many loopholes that enable men to escape being drafted into the army.

Some men get deferred from military service by enrollment for defense industries just before their numbers are called. Some fake physical disabilities, while others submit false affidavits that their jobs are indispensable.

Lieut. Col. Elmer V. Wooten, state selective service director, said he fears that army morale will be weakened when soldiers become disgruntled at seeing men in defense industries earning many times the \$21 a month that is paid the new soldiers.

Wooten and other selective service officers believe the government will have to force all men of draft age in industries to serve their year in the army, and that defense industries will have to train their new workers from those who are not of draft age.

"I'm getting sick and tired of having our men enroll in defense training schools to escape the draft," a member of a local board complained. "Just about the time we get our fingers on a man, he enlists in a school to escape military service. So it is a race to try to get the men before they start to one of the schools."

That is a typical complaint by members of local draft boards. But some men have escaped army service by telling their local draft doctors about physical ailments which they don't have.

Some of the men tell the doctors they have dizzy spells, and some doctors immediately defer the men.

Other draftees fake insanity, and get away with it. Here's how it's done, but selective service heads are taking steps to stop it.

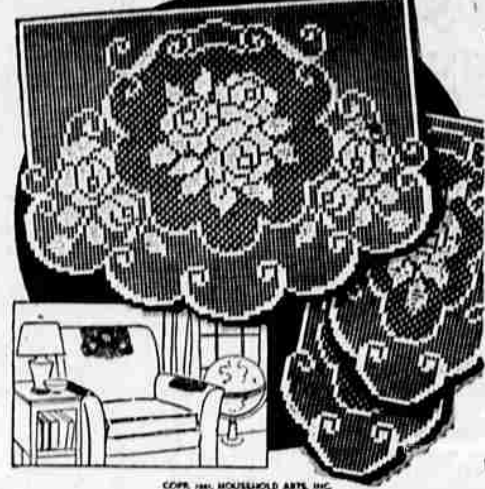
A man claims that nobody likes him, that people always are riding him, that they want to kill him, etc. The local psychiatrist says the man has a persecution complex, classifies him as a psychopathic case, and sees that he is deferred.

Some men obtain deferment by having their parents or employers say that their farms or industries would fold up unless the men are deferred. But a little checking up often reveals that such claims are false.

Such a claim recently was exposed in Lane county. An old man claimed that his farm would fall if his son, whom the army wanted, were not around to round up the cattle and cut the hay. He said the son was the only man who knew the cattle.

The draft board found that the hay already was in the barn, and that anyone could round up the cattle, as they were branded. They found further that the son never had worked on the farm in his life. So the son went into the army.

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Only Eight Smokes Left In Famous Alaska Spot

JUNEAU, Alaska, Aug. 12 (AP)—The valley of ten thousand smokes, relic of America's most fearsome natural phenomena, is losing its punch.

In fact, there are only eight smokes left.

This startling information was relayed here today by J. C. Roehm, a mining engineer, after a trip across the Aleutian peninsula. Roehm, offering no explanation for disappearance of thousands of steam jets which made the valley like something out of a Dante-created inferno, radioed that the remaining jets are small, mild and apparently growing smaller. Lush Alaskan vegetation is creeping over once-molten sands, and Roehm predicted that the smokes would soon stop entirely, allowing the valley to return to its peaceful character of before 1912.

Before 1912, the little valley was merely a backdrop for lofty Mt. Katmai, a quiescent volcano. Seventeen miles by four, the valley, like the surrounding peninsula, was uninhabited, but ancient Indian trails showed it had been a favorite hunting ground.

Suddenly, one section upended and a new volcano, since named Nova Rupta, spewed incandescent sand which consumed every bush and tree. Snowdrifts remained intact under a sand cover. Vents—tiny cracks and holes 150 feet wide—spouted steam.

Then, in an awesome climax, Mt. Katmai exploded. Its snowy crown vanished, leaving a crater three miles wide and at least 3700 feet deep. Ashes covered Kodiak island, 150 miles away. Cordova, 360 miles east, had acid rain. Fumes tarnished brass in Victoria, B. C., 1500 miles south, and haze was visible in Washington, D. C. Scientists calculated that dust in the air robbed the north temperate zone of 10 per cent of the sun's heat.

When it was over, only a lake in the crater and the valley of ten thousand smokes remained. Discovered three years later, they were incorporated in a national monument.

But now, according to Roehm, grass grows on the sand, the vapors are vanishing, and the smokes have lost their oomph.

Youth Killed at Cottage Grove Rail Crossing

COTTAGE GROVE, Aug. 12 (AP)—Hubert White, 19, was instantly killed this morning when a special passenger train on the Southern Pacific, carrying troops, struck a truck he was driving at a crossing a short distance south of here.

The train was going south. White was en route to Cottage Grove from the flood control dam where he was employed. Three box cars stood on a siding, evidently obscuring his view.

The accident was investigated by Chief of Police Myron Perry and Patrolman Schneider of the Cottage Grove city police force.

The young man has no relatives in this vicinity. He had lived here for two years.

BOMB SHELLS

NEW YORK (AP)—The police bomb squad was called to investigate a suspicious package found near the Queens Electric Light and Power company plant.

The experts handled the package gingerly, mindful of past bomb cases, soaked it in oil, and then opened it to find—something of a clam chowder instead of powder. It contained a bushel of oily clams.

WRITER SAYS JAPAN EYEING RUSSIAN WAR

By DEWITT MACKENZIE
There is little doubt that Japan is seriously considering the expediency of attacking Russia in Siberia, on the basis that this would be less likely to draw armed intervention by the United States than would an attempt at expansion southward from the powerful new Japanese base in French Indo-China.

Fear of the United States, rather than of preoccupied Britain, has been the chief deterrent to Japanese action thus far. This reluctance to antagonize Uncle Sam into drawing his shooting irons could hardly have been otherwise than strengthened by the remarkable warning which Kaname Wakasugi, Japanese minister to Washington, gave his people yesterday.

Mr. Wakasugi, who was at Los Angeles en route to Tokyo, declared in a trans-Pacific telephone interview that "the United States is prepared and determined to meet the worst eventualities." On the face of it, the minister's statement seemed calculated to have a restraining influence.

However, while Nippon definitely doesn't want to measure strength with us, she is playing an opportunist game quite openly. A quick swing of fortune toward the axis in the northern war might impel her to risk American anger, though there is reason to hope that things may not reach such a pass.

The Russo-German conflict is the gauge most likely to give us an accurate indication of the danger in the far eastern crisis. A big German breakthrough the red defenses might set the Japanese war machine to rolling across the Manchukuoan border against the bolsheviks.

For this reason the present Hitlerian gains against the red flanks, especially in the Ukraine, must be regarded as strong encouragement to the Japanese to capitalize the position. In this sense the imbroglio in the Orient is pivoting on the defense of Communist Chief Stalin and his stout men-at-arms.

The bolsheviks continue a fierce resistance in this eighth bloody week of the war. Still, I think we are warranted in concluding that there has been a gradual weakening of the Russian line—not numerically but in the power of defense. We may have a clue to the meaning of this in the Nazi claim that while the reds are throwing unlimited reserves into the fighting, the resistance has lessened.

If this is true, it would seem to indicate that the reserves include many men who either are not well trained or have passed their youth and lack the stamina for the task at hand. One suspects that lack of thoroughly trained troops may be the chief difficulty, since the soviet reserve in manpower is vast.

The third phase of the German invasion has developed into an operation of fast movement again in some sectors, especially in the more open Ukraine. The strain of this blitzkrieg warfare is so terrific that only a highly trained soldier who is absolutely fit physically can stand up under it.

One hastens to add that there is no intention of drawing a picture of impending catastrophe for the Russians. However, the Germans seem to be headed for a very sizeable victory in the Ukraine, and perhaps at Leningrad.

ROAD BILL WOULD GIVE STATE FUND

WASHINGTON, Aug. 12 (AP)—Apportionments of \$100,000,000 of the \$125,000,000 by states for strategic highways under terms of the new defense highway bill introduced Monday by Senator Hayden (D-Ariz) and the unobligated balances of previously apportioned federal-aid funds include (the \$25,000,000 is to be allocated on the basis of emergency needs, Hayden explained): California \$6,883,000 and \$2,556,684; Montana \$2,987,000 and \$3,661,702; Idaho \$1,308,000 and \$1,421,879; Oregon \$3,219,000 and \$651,763; Washington \$2,951,000 and \$821,845; Wyoming \$1,175,000 and \$1,117,997.

When I put a new dress on I feel as if the band was playing. —Nancy Mellon, New York restaurant cashier known for her varied wardrobe.

SPECIAL: SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — There was no address on the postcard—just a photograph and "Salt Lake City."

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Federal Mediator Works to Settle Cereal Strike

PORTLAND, Aug. 12 (AP)—Federal Labor Conciliator Jesse E. Jacobson left for Seattle today in an effort to end the tie-up of northwest cereal processing mills.

Two small plants at Pendleton, Ore., and Watsburg, Wash., reopened yesterday with employees agreeing to a 7 1/2-cent-an-hour wage increase. Another

2 1/2 cents will be added after six months. Strikes continued at nine other mills, with employees asking from 10 to 12 1/2 cents hourly increases. Employers have offered 7 1/2 cents.

Jacobson was to discuss the Watsburg and Pendleton strike solutions with employers in Seattle. George V. Hayes, secretary-treasurer of the North Pacific Millers' association, said the two mills took independent action, and the others would not necessarily follow suit.



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