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By BUSHNELL

MEN MUST WORK OR FIGHT, DECLARES CROWDER

Idlers and Men Employed at Nonessentials Must Change Jobs or Join Army.

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ing in scope. Both the military authorities and department of labor officials believe that it will go a long way toward solving the labor problem for farmers, shipbuilders and munition makers and will end for the present at least talk of conscription of labor. The announcement today gives notice significantly that the list of nonuseful occupations will be extended from time to time as necessity requires.

The statement of the provost marshal general's office follows:

"Provost Marshal General Crowder today announced an amendment to the selective service regulations, which deals with the great question of compelling men not engaged in a useful occupation immediately to apply themselves to some form of labor, contributing to the general good. The idler, too, will find himself confronted with the alternative of finding suitable employment or entering the army.

Will Hit Poolrooms.

"The regulation provides that after July 1 any registrant who is found by a local board to be a habitual idler or not engaged in some useful occupation shall be summoned before the board, given a chance to explain and, in the absence of a satisfactory explanation, to be inducted into the military service of the United States.

"Any local board will be authorized to take action whether it has original jurisdiction of the registrant or not; in other words, any man loafing around a poolroom in Chicago may be held to answer to a Chicago board, even though he may have registered in New York and lived there most of his life.

"The regulations which apply to idle registrants will be deemed to apply also to gamblers of all descriptions and employes and attendants of bucket-shops and race tracks, fortune tellers, clairvoyants, palmists and the like, who for purposes of the regulation shall be considered as idlers.

Affected By Ruling.

"The new regulation will also affect the following classes:

"(a)—Persons engaged in the serving of food and drink, or either, in public places including hotels and social clubs.

"(b)—Passenger elevator operators and attendants, doormen, footmen and other attendants of clubs, hotels, stores, apartment houses, office buildings and bath houses.

"(c)—Persons, including ushers and other attendants, engaged and occupied in, and in connection with games, sports and amusements, excepting actual performers in legitimate concerts, operas or theatrical performances.

"(d)—Persons employed in domestic service.

"(e)—Sales clerks and other clerks employed in stores and other mercantile establishments.

Dependents No Defense.

"Men who are engaged as above or who are idlers will not be permitted to seek relief because of the fact that they have drawn a late order number or because they have been placed in Class II, III or IV on the grounds of dependency. The fact that he is not usefully employed will outweigh both of the above conditions.

"It is expected that the list of nonuseful occupations will be extended from time to time as necessity will require so as to include provisions in other employments.

"Temporary absences from regular employment not to exceed one week, unless such temporary absences are habitual or frequent, shall not be considered as idleness. Vacations will not be considered as absence in this connection.

Protects Dependents.

"The regulation throws a further safeguard around men not usefully employed, by providing that where there are compelling domestic circumstances that would not permit change of employment by the registrant without disproportionate hardship on his dependents, or where a change from nonuseful to useful employment or occupation, would necessitate a removal of the registrant or his family, local boards may give consideration to the circumstances. The regulation further provides that where such a change of employment would compel the night employment of women under circumstances which a board might deem unsuitable for such employment of women, the board may take such circumstances into consideration in making its decision."

Explaining the new regulation and the necessity for it, General Crowder said:

"The war has so far disorganized the normal adjustment of industrial manpower as to prevent the enormous industrial output and national organization necessary to success.

"There is a popular demand for organization of man-power, but no direct draft could be imposed at present.

"Steps to prohibit idleness and noneffective occupation will be welcomed by our people.

"We shall give the idlers and men not effectively employed the choice between military service and effective employment. Every man in the draft age at least must work or fight.

"This is not alone a war of military maneuvers. It is a deadly contest of industries and mechanics. Germany must not be thought of as merely possessing an army. We must think of her as being an army—an army in which every factory and loom in the empire is a recognized part in a complete machine running night and day at terrific speed. We must make of ourselves the same sort of effective machine.

"It is not enough to ask what would happen if every man in the nation turned his hand to effective work. We must make ourselves effective. We must organize for the future. We must make vast withdrawals for the army and immediately close up the ranks of industry behind the gap with an accelerating production of every useful thing in necessary measure. How is this to be done?"

Must Abolish Idleness.

"The answer is plain. The first step toward the solution of the difficulty is to prohibit engagement by able-bodied men in the field of hurtful employment, idleness or ineffectual employment, and thus induce and persuade the vast, wasted excess into useful fields.

"The very situation we are now considering, however, offers great possibilities in improvement of the draft as well as great possibilities for the composition of the labor situation by effective administration of the draft. Considering the selective service law, we see two principal causes of deferment of the call to military service—exemption and the order numbers assigned by lot. The exemptions themselves fall into two conspicuous categories—dependency and industrial employment. One protects domestic relations, the other the economic interests of the nation. Between the two there is an inevitable hiatus, for it is demonstrably true that thousands, if not millions, of dependency exemptions have no effect of industrial protection whatever.

Remedy Proves Simple.

"One of the unanswerable criticisms of the draft has been that it takes men from the farms and from all useful employments and marches them past crowds of idlers and loafers away to the army. The remedy is simple—to couple the industrial basis with other grounds for exemption and to require that any man pleading exemption on any ground shall also show that he is contributing effectively to the industrial welfare of the nation.

"The regulation itself makes plain the determination of the War Department. The great organization of local and district boards, which has already accomplished a notable work, may be relied upon to catch the spirit of the movement and sorely needed manpower will soon be floating into the fields of useful endeavor or, in the direction of military strength."

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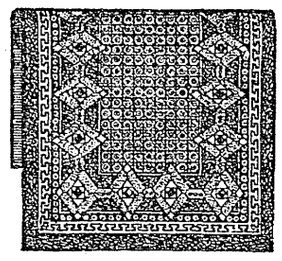

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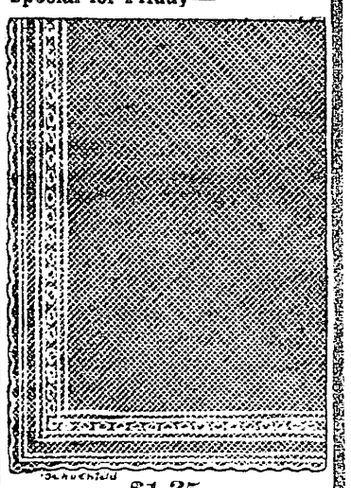

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British, 220,709 tons; Allied and neutral, 84,293; total, 305,102.

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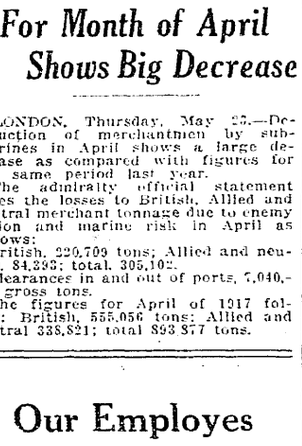

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SEATTLE WILL SEE MARKED CHANGES UNDER LAW

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of dependent relatives, asserted draft officers in Seattle today.

Members of Seattle local boards believe that the enforcement of the new regulations will release hundreds of men for the shipbuilding and other essential war industries.

Robert L. Bleweit, president of the Pacific Coast International Baseball League, said that the clubs could not possibly survive if the players of draft age were compelled to shift to other occupations.

Announcement of the new regulations met with general approval among the members of the draft boards in Seattle. All were unanimous in the opinion that to enforce the new orders the vast majority of the cases of men of draft age who have been granted deferred classification on dependency or other grounds must be recalled and acted upon again. This will entail a tremendous amount of work as each questionnaire must be examined to determine the occupation of every classified man.

"From the information at hand I would say that the regulations will serve a mighty good purpose," declared Robert L. Proctor, secretary of the district draft board for Western Washington, with headquarters in Seattle. "There must be no discrimination, however. The rich idlers must be treated the same as the ordinary loafers in the call to service. It will be a big task sifting out the men engaged in so-called nonessential industries, but we are ready to grasp it."

Forced to Change Jobs.

In the past the local and district boards have not taken into consideration the occupation of a man, who claimed deferred classification on the ground of dependent relatives. He was classified solely on the evidence that showed the amount of dependency.

For instance, an elevator operator with a wife and a child, would be placed in Class 4 if they were solely dependent upon him. Under the new regulations, however, the elevator operator will be called again before the draft board and instructed that he must enter a so-called essential occupation. The regulations provide that if he refuses to obey the instructions of the board members, he is to be certified for military service, irrespective of his dependency, the board members explain.

The new regulations are expected to cause a big stir among the waiters. More than half of the restaurants and cafes of the city employ men as waiters and many of these are said to be of draft age. The sales clerks in the department stores will also be hit hard by the new regulations, which decree that such men are not serving in an essential industry.

Professional pugilists camping in Seattle who gain the wherewithal solely by stepping into the ring occasionally and matching their boxing skill with an opponent, could see visions of hard labor this morning when apprised of the new regulations. Only the professional sports, chiefly baseball and fighting, will be affected by the new orders. Amateur athletic competitions, which draw their performers from public schools, universities or colleges, will of course not be affected. The new regulations will not interfere to any extent with semi-professional baseball played by workers generally on Sunday.

The uniformed doormen and footmen at the clubs, hotels and leading department stores and the servants, who are of draft age, must also seek new occupations considered essential under the new regulations.

POLICE SEARCH CROWD FOR SLACKERS; NOT ONE FOUND AMONG WORKERS

"Go to it, and if you find any in the crowd, stand them up so that everybody can have a good look and express a few private opinions publicly," said A. McCafferty, manager of the billiard and card room in the headquarters of the Seattle Metal Trades Council in the Collins Building, at Second Avenue and James Street, last evening when the police and United States secret service agents called there to look for slackers. More than 500 members of the twenty different unions of the Metal Trades Council, most of them shipyard workers, were gathered in the hall at the time.

It was a visit similar to that paid in routine manner to all places, poolrooms and meeting places generally where large parties of men gather together to spend the evening, similar to that paid the I. W. W. Hall, 208½ Second Ave. S., several weeks ago.

In this hall, over which McCafferty exercises a caretaker, boss-of-the-ranch, dispute-settler, friend-in-need sort of a proprietorship, there is usually assembled such a crowd as was on hand when the investigators, the seekers after slackers, deserters and the like, dropped in. But a few days before, McCafferty and several of the men called on Chief of Police J. F. Warren and told him that he should report to them if the police found a member of their council carrying an I. W. W. card. They promised to chuck him out of the window when he next appeared at the hall.

Following up this talk, the visit was paid the hall last evening. There were present members of the various branches of union labor represented in the Metal Trades Council. There were boilermakers, shipbuilders and helpers, moulders, blacksmiths and helpers, steam and hoisting engineers and patternmakers present. They represented unions with a membership in this city of 40,000. One local alone, the Boilermakers and Shipbuilders and Helpers' Local Union; No. 104, with a membership of 18,000, is the largest single local in the United States today.

So, with everybody good-natured about it—investigators and the investigated—they went to it. Every man bearing the least resemblance to being of draft age was interrogated and investigated. The work went on for more than an hour. Registration cards and questionnaire acknowledgements and exemption papers flashed as though a snowstorm were in progress.

"Clean bill of health, Mac," said the spokesman of the investigating squad. "Not a semblance of a slacker or deserter in the house."

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ORGANIZED BALL NOT TO STAND IN ROAD OF VICTORY, SAYS BLEWETT

"Organized baseball would be the last institution to stand against anything that will hasten the ending of the war," declared Robert Blewett, president of the Pacific Coast International League, today when informed of the new army draft regulations that all men "must do a man's work or fight."

"Baseball has done everything in its power to furnish amusement for the public, the soldiers and sailors, both at home and abroad, and to contribute its share of the operating revenue.

"Of forty-seven minor leagues that were operating two years ago, just eleven are left in operation today, and those eleven are struggling along just about breaking even.

"Salaries have had to go up and revenues have not been as heavy. But we have kept on just to keep the game alive and to entertain the people.

"But if the government now wishes, we will gladly suspend and devote our every energy in that one direction."

D. E. Dugdale, owner of the Seattle team and franchise, is in Vancouver with the team.

Baseball could not possibly live through such an order, it was said in Seattle today. The men over or under draft age, not in deferred classification, could not supply half the present existing teams with players.

For instance the Seattle team has fifteen players.

Four, Leard, Carman, LeRoy and Engle are over the draft age.

Two, Murphy and Alexander, have physical disqualifications which prevent their being of service.

Two more, Smale and Richie, are under age.

The balance of the squad, LeBourveau having become 21 since last June, are eligible to some kind of service.

And the Seattle team is much better fortified in this respect than is any other team in the league.

STAY AT HOMES FAIL TO REALIZE DUTY, HE SAYS

Failure of the American people up to the present thoroughly to realize the individual responsibility that rests upon those who remain behind was cited by Prof. Clark P. Bissett of the University of Washington as the greatest danger that lurks in America. The people must be aroused, he said.

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