



250,000 MORE CONSCRIPTS OFF TO CAMP TO-DAY

Crowder Appeals to Mayors to Shut Saloons Before Mobilization Starts.

BIG TEST FOR RAILROADS

Troop Trains Likely to Delay Regular Traffic—Shortage of Army Overcoats.

HURLEY GOES TO END SHIP STRIKE

Probability That Government Will Share in Any Increases Granted Men.

RAILROADS' GREATEST TASK

War Department officials are watching with no little interest the experiment of taking 250,000 men from their homes and despatching them to training camps. One reason for this is that it will constitute a great test of the war as yet imposed upon the transportation machine.

250 Per Cent for Uptown.

Every cantonment in the country is receiving a rush of troop numbers. In the next five days with the exception of Camp Dix, Meade and Union, which are to receive 25, 35 and 50 per cent respectively, the National Army officials are confident that the railroads will move equal to the task imposed upon them and that a record will be made in this respect.

Guard to Get Some Drafted Men.

Seventeen divisions of the National Guard have been organized, but with the exception of the New York, Pennsylvania and a few others and the Fort Myer Division, which soon will be sent to France, they are not at maximum strength. The fighting strength of the entire National Army is estimated at 628,000 men, supplemented by many thousands of auxiliary troops. Whatever deficiencies there may be will be supplied promptly from the National Army, as the guard will go first to the front.

STEP TOWARD PEACE.

San Francisco, Sept. 18.—Government machinery moved rapidly to-day to settle the strike of approximately 25,000 iron workers and shipbuilders whose walkout Monday morning after rejection of their wage demands paralyzed 100 of more great and small industrial plants in San Francisco and vicinity and tied up war emergency construction totalling hundreds of millions of dollars.

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FIX DELIVERY DATE OF LIBERTY BONDS

To Begin Sept. 26—Next Issue May Pay Higher Rate.

ARSENAL HEAD REVERSED ON BAD MUNITIONS

Faulty Primers Ignored Until 10 Per Cent. Showed Hangfires or Missfires.

SULPHUR AT LAST BARRED

Chemists Clash at Dent Committee Hearing and One Gives Expert "Pain."

BRAGG BREAKS U. S. ALTITUDE RECORD

Military Aviator Soars 22,000 Feet at Hempstead Plains.

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