

BROAD ST. BLAZE STIRS HOTEL FOLK

Fire in North American Building Brings Lots of Noisy Apparatus

OTHER CITY NEWS BRIEFS

British Recruiting Mission Starts New Drive to Get Tommies for the Firing Line

Guests of the Ritz-Carlton and the Bellevue-Stratford were aroused early today when fire was discovered on the fourth floor of the North American Building...

New Drive to Enlist Britons

A new drive to enlist all subjects of Great Britain living in this country has been started by the British Recruiting Mission...

Rotarians to Aid Soldiers

One hundred and ninety-two members of the Rotary Club have pledged themselves to the establishment of a fund to be used in creating a homelike influence for the American soldier boys in every camp and cantonment here and abroad.

Barber Fixes Up Drafted Men

Louis Zarrill, unable to join the ranks of the National Army, as a way of "doing his bit," shaved and cut the hair of more than a hundred men who will leave today for Camp Meade.

No Advanced Classes This Year

There will be no advanced classes at the School of Industrial Art, Broad and Pine streets, this term, the opening of which is September 25.

Friends' Schools to Open

The various Friends' Schools of Philadelphia will open next Monday with a total enrollment of 1400 pupils.

Falls Seventy Feet; Unhurt

A fall of seventy feet from the top of a ladder was only an incident in the day's work to Alexander Forshed, forty years old, 577 South Tenth street.

Germantown Man Killed in War

Alexander Smiley, 152 Newham street, Germantown, died in a hospital in France from wounds received in battle, according to a cablegram received by his parents.

Chemists to Meet

The regular meetings of the Philadelphia section of the American Chemical Society are to be resumed tomorrow night in the Engineers' Club, 1317 Spruce street.

Draft Interrupts Honeymoon

The draft call to the colors has interrupted a honeymoon in the case of Parker Hall, of Collingswood, N. J.

Register Women for War Work

The regular campaign for the registration of women for service in the State will open tomorrow, under the auspices of the Women's Committee, Council for National Defense.

SUFFRAGIST PICKETS TO TALK ABOUT PRISON

Suffragists who have suffered imprisonment for picketing at the White House will speak at tonight's meeting in the Adelphi Hotel under the auspices of the Pennsylvania Branch, National Woman's party.

Former Bradford Official Dies

BRADFORD, Pa., Sept. 19.—Jasper S. Fisher, of 49 Ann street, died last night at his home following a brief illness.

TODAY'S MARRIAGE LICENSES

Kilworth Button, 25 W. Seymour st., and Annie Cummings, 25 W. Seymour st.; George C. Lingo, 4843 Walnut st., and Margaret Anderson, 4411 Chestnut st.

HALF OF FIRST DRAFT QUOTA MOVING TODAY

Initial New Army Contingent En Route to Sixteen Camps

343,500 SAY FAREWELL

WASHINGTON, Sept. 19.—One-half of the first increment of the National Army, summoned to the colors by the process of the selective draft, was set in motion today in the direction of the sixteen National Army training cantonments.

Just 343,500 young men in all parts of the country bade farewell to their homes and started on a journey that within a year or less will land them face to face with the boches on the battle line in France.

With the movement under way, several facts of interest to the eligibles for the National Army came to light today. They are:

That a much larger number of the 687,000 called out for the first increment will go into the regulars and the National Guard than was first figured upon by the War Department.

That in all probability the local and district exemption boards will be kept steadily at work from now on examining all the remaining 10,000,000 men of military age, registered on June 5, in order to save time in anticipation of the next actual call to the colors.

That for a long time after their mobilization the young men going into the training cantonments today, as well as those to follow them, will be without full equipment, and that some of their equipment will not arrive until just before they embark on the transports for Europe.

The law authorizing the creation of the National Army provides that the first increment of this organization should consist of 500,000, a second increment of the same size being also provided for.

The law allowed vacancies in the regulars and National Guard to be filled by the selective draft, and that therefore, to fix the first quota of draft at 687,000, the War Department estimated that the 187,000 in excess of the half-million would fill vacancies in the regulars and the guard.

TRANSFERRED TO AIR SERVICE. Many regulars and guardsmen have been transferred to this branch, leaving gaps in the other branches that must be filled by drawings upon the National Army rookies.

EQUIPMENT SHORTAGE JUSTIFIED. In a statement issued last night Quartermaster General Sharpe justified the shortage in equipment on the ground that it has been impossible for the industries of the country to expand to the need of the Government as rapidly as the army would wish.

It became known today that orders have been issued by the War Department to the Department of State of the Committee on Public Information and to the division commanders at the various cantonments to tighten up the censorship, particularly as to photographs, as the work of training at the camps proceeds.

Old Elm Decides Street Width. HARRISBURG, Sept. 19.—A century-old elm tree at the Sixth street bridge to the reconstructed Third street, along the park line, the landscape designers of the new park, have decided they will preserve the tree.

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MAYOR DIDN'T SHOW UP AT GEORGE STERR'S PARTY

And No Wonder, Considering Vivid Portraiture of His Honor, the Chief Feature of 28th Ward Function

By M'LISS

Mayor Smith did not show up. His fellow warders in the Twenty-eighth, who had arranged a fine party last night in Students' Chapter Hall, Susquehanna and Park avenues, waited until after a o'clock for the "honor guest."

But Mayor Smith disregarded his R. E. V. P. entirely. "Mebbe he's out with some Ambassadors," a wit sang out when the assemblage of 200 or more of the Mayor's city neighbors showed signs of growing restive.

But had he, this was not to have been the sort of party at which they hand round the ice cream, cakes and oranges. It had nothing of a kiddie sort. A nut was in the arena that served as the speakers' platform, but the nuts were off. More-over, brickbats of the verbal variety, which hurt the most—and not banquet constituted the decorations.

STERR'S ORNATE NOMENCLATURE. "You remember 'Collars and Cuffs' boys?" Sterr reminded them ingratiatingly, and a ruffian went up at the roared monitory name, "well, like a dream, and a moving picture drummer, to see our old 'Collars and Cuffs' riding around with the ambassadors and the great men of the city."

CREDIT MURDER THEORY IN KING AUTO MYSTERY. New York Authorities Rely Upon Experiments Conducted by Pistol Expert.

NEW YORK, Sept. 19.—Convinced that Mrs. Maudie King, the wealthy New York and Chicago widow, who was shot near Concord, N. C., August 29, was murdered, District Attorney Swann planned today to back up the second Coroner's inquest at Concord with the mass of what he terms "convincing testimony" obtained through the Grand Jury investigating here.

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George Sterr, Jr.'s Pet Names for Mayor Thomas B. Smith. "Rabbit," "Puppet," "Ingrate," "Traitor," "Double-crosser," "Collars and Cuffs," "One of Gold Dust Twins."

When they talked of making Tom Smith Mayor it seemed like a joke, like a dream. But they did and now he's the dog that bites the hand that's fed him.

"I don't see how Penrose, with all the money he's got and the great man he is, can go down to Atlantic City and sit on this creature's porch. Of course," the elastic logic of the politician asserted itself, "with McNichol it's different, there were contracts to be awarded and all that and McNichol had to play his part."

As though this were not enough, Sterr went to the dim and distant past and told how "Collars and Cuffs" in the early days was sent as a delegate to a convention to support Charles Brown and "sold out" instead for Henry F. Walton.

Other excoriations followed. Dr. J. Marcus Polak, Lewis J. Meyer, candidate for Select Council; Joseph A. Richman, candidate for Common Council, and Albert H. Coggins all took a hand. Smith's reputation of the A. Merritt Taylor transit lease, his violation of pre-election pledges in regard to a reduction of the gas rate and other taxes, his ingratitude to his fellow wardens, his fondness for parades and getting his picture in the papers formed the material for the onslaught.

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BAKER MAKES REQUEST FOR \$287,416,000 MORE

Declares Need Imperative and Asks Amount Included in Deficiency Bill

WASHINGTON, Sept. 19.—Secretary of War Baker today submitted to the Senate Appropriations Committee \$287,416,000 additional estimates for the army.

Of the sum Baker asked \$18,000,000 is for ordnance service, covering chiefly storage of ammunition. Forty million dollars is for ordnance supplies exclusive of ammunition, \$32,750,000 is for ammunition and \$75,676,000 is for ammunition for target practice for an army of 2,300,000 men.

Brigadier General Crozier and Brigadier General Black explained the urgency of the requests is due to conditions not apparent when regular estimates were made.

SETTLE BONDSMAN CASE. YORK, Pa., Sept. 19.—Attorneys for Mrs. Emma Johnson, this city, who instituted suit against J. Lewis King, bondsman for a friend, to return to her the \$100,000 she advanced to King, had the county court dismiss the rule granted to show cause why the amount of alleged defalcation should not be paid.

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