

GERMANS BUY ARMY MATERIAL

Civilians Alone Purchase Many Carloads of Salvage Material

With the American Forces in Germany, Aug. 10.—Old material used by the Third army on the Rhine is being disposed of in a hurry. German civilians alone recently have been buying from twenty-five to forty carloads of salvaged material each day. Germans assemble in Coblenz for the other towns where the auction sales are held, by the hundreds, some coming from Cologne, from Mayence, and others as far as Frankfurt-on-Main, Cassel and other parts of unoccupied Germany.

At a recent sale in Coblenz with a German speaking doughboy as auctioneer 125,000 leather jerkins were sold to the Germans for 2,000,000 marks. (The recent army exchange on marks is 2.50 marks for one franc). The same day 40,000 raincoats, many of them having been used by American soldiers during the war, were sold for 250,000 marks.

The Germans eagerly buy anything offered by the Americans, particularly any articles containing leather or rubber. Ten thousand American-made gas masks were sold a few days ago to civilians who planned to make use of the rubber for commercial purposes. More than one hundred tons of harness, some of it German made and abandoned at the armistice, were disposed of at a recent auction sale near Coblenz.

Forty thousand pairs of American field shoes, many of which had been worn and torn in the march of the doughboys from Luxembourg to the Rhine in December, were sold in lots at a special sale.

FIRE DESTROYS OLD MILL
Springvale, Pa., Aug. 11.—Fire destroyed the old log feed mill owned by Robert Gibson, entailing a loss of \$2,600.



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2400 POSTS OF AMERICAN LEGION NOW ORGANIZED; 1239 CHARTERS PENDING

New York, Aug. 10.—In the first three months since the St. Louis caucus of The American Legion, the National organization of American veterans of the Great War, more than 2400 local posts of former soldiers, sailors and marines have been formed in the United States. Of this number 1200 posts have been chartered by the National Headquarters of the Legion at 19 West 44th street, New York city. Application for National charters for 1239 others are pending and charters will be issued as rapidly as possible. These local organizations include ex-service men in every State in the Union. Based on the record of charters issued at National headquarters, it is estimated that the membership in The American Legion up to July 31 was more than 300,000.

In addition to the formation of local posts, two of the fundamental steps in the organization program of the National Executive Committee representing the Paris and St. Louis caucuses have been accomplished: The establishment of a National-wide organization with a governing body at National headquarters, and the creation of an active state branch in every State. By September the Legion plans to have men in each congressional district or county in the United States.

During September a membership drive will be conducted in each State under the leadership of an active organization. The aim of the organization committee at National headquarters will be to enroll 1,000,000 members by the end of the year. Prior to the National convention of the Legion at Minneapolis on November 10, 11 and 12, when the permanent organization of the Legion will be effected, November 11 will be American Legion Day throughout the country. Following the membership campaign in September, State conventions will be held in

October to elect delegates to the National convention. In the organization to date, New York State leads the country with 162 posts chartered and 163 additional posts organizing with charters pending. Pennsylvania has 152 posts actually chartered; Massachusetts has 140 chartered posts and 54 others organizing; and Iowa 116 posts chartered by National headquarters. In intensive organization of service men, however, the states of Vermont, South Dakota, Iowa and New Hampshire lead the country. These states have more posts per 1,000 men who entered the service than any other State.

Although the principal effort of the National executive committee of the Legion and the State branches prior to the November convention will be directed to organization, active bureaus have been established at National headquarters to render direct service to discharged soldiers, sailors and marines.

A National re-employment bureau operating through State branches and local posts in co-operation with Colonel Arthur Woods, assistant to the Secretary of War on re-employment, is helping to stimulate public works enterprises to afford employment to discharged veterans.

A National bureau operating through State branches and local posts also has been established to furnish expert legal advice to discharged men in matters of Federal insurance such as war risk insurance, allotments, military bonds, service pay, bonus and mileage.

A National speakers' bureau has been organized under the direction of which Theodore Roosevelt of New York, John W. Inzer of Alabama and J. P. J. Herbert of Massachusetts, and other spokesmen of the Legion will make speaking tours in various parts of the country to present the organization, the aims and the spirit of the Legion to the country.

Camp Mills No Longer Exists, Officially

Camp Mills, Mineola, N. Y., Aug. 11.—Camp Mills has ceased to exist officially, notwithstanding the fact that some 6,000 men are still here undergoing the necessary formalities connected with demobilization. These men are expected to leave camp not later than Wednesday night, and no more troops will be received here for demobilization. The three flying fields, Hazelhurst, Mitchell and Roosevelt, which are adjacent to Camp Mills, also are to be abandoned. It was stated to-night by the senior of the officers and men to other fields to receive their discharges. Aviators expressed surprise over this decision to-night and predicted a deplorable diminution of interest in aviation in this section of the country.

Middletown Mrs. Sarah Andrews 85, Dies From Stroke

Mrs. Sarah Waltz Andrews, aged 85 years, died at her home on High street at Middletown, Pa., on Sunday, August 10, from the results of a stroke, being ill for about two weeks. Mrs. Andrews was well known in town, having resided in town for the past twenty-five years. She is survived by the following children: Charles Andrews and Mrs. Emma Brickard, Harrisburg; Mrs. Clara Stroup, Harrisburg; Mrs. George Atticks, Paxtang, and Mrs. Hiram Day, Bridgeport, Conn. Funeral services will be held from her late home on High street on Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The Rev. Fuller Bergstresser, pastor of the St. Peter's Lutheran church, of which she was a member, will officiate. Interment will be in the cemetery at Highspire and will be private.

Lee Good, who resides on Race street and is the possessor of a fine flock of chickens, was awakened Friday night by four men who were trying to gain an entrance to his chicken coop. He shot one of the window and must have hit one of them, as he saw the other pick him up and carry him to an automobile. They then made their escape. Upon investigation he found none of the chickens missing, but saw a pool of blood.

Charles Hevel, of Lorain, Ohio, is visiting relatives in town for some time.

The Misses Katherine Straussman and Janet Howerton, who spent the past week in town as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Laubenstein at the Kline House apartment, returned to their home at Shamokin.

Mrs. Mary Stager, of town, and Mrs. George Stager, of Highland, left on Saturday for Harford, Md., where they will visit relatives for some time.

The school board and borough council will meet in regular session this evening.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Luckenbill left on two automobiles to visit Ohio and Illinois. While on this trip Mr. Luckenbill will attend the session of the National Monument Deeds association which meets at Columbus, Ohio.

Mrs. A. A. Markley and granddaughter, Martha Belt, are spending some time at Perlix with relatives.

Mrs. Edward McGaugan, of Philadelphia, is spending some time in town as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John Croll, West Main street.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bradley and daughter, of Lorain, Ohio, are spending a week in town as the guests of the former's mother, Mrs. Ger Bradley, Grant street, Rife's extension.

A. S. Quickel has returned from a ten days' visit to his son, Dr. H. L. Quickel, Washington, D. C.

Robert Mitchell, of Lorain, Ohio, is spending some time in town with friends.

The Middletown Praying Band met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Messinger.

The Pastors' Aid Society of the Methodist church will meet at the home of Miss Mary Wise, Pike street, Tuesday evening.

Charles Ackerman, wife and son, Charles Jr., have returned home from a two weeks' visit to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Benson, of Pittsburgh. They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Benson, who will spend the week in town as the guests of Mrs. Benson's mother, Mrs. Ella Ackerman, Water and Pine streets.

Dr. H. W. George and family have returned home from a month's stay at Mount Gretna.

Mrs. Norman McGraw and four children are spending two weeks at Gettysburg with relatives.

Miss Ida Haas, has returned to her home on Wilson street from a month's visit to relatives at Harrisburg.

William Farmer and two daughters, of Herriman, Pa., are spending the week in town with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Young, of Philadelphia, spent the weekend in town with relatives.

Clyde Spanier, who spent the past two years overseas, was mustered out of service at Camp Dix, N. J., and returned to the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Spangler, Pike street, on Saturday.

Donald McNair, who spent the past month at Kansas City, will return home next Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Resh, of Brown street, announced the birth of a son Friday, August 8.

Mrs. J. Matonic and three children and her sister, Miss Margaret Jacobs, are spending some time at West Virginia.

Miss Ethel McNair is spending the week at Reading as the guest of friends.

NEWPORT PLACES TICKET IN FIELD

Republicans and Democrats Select Candidates For Fall Nomination

Newport, Pa., Aug. 11.—Newport political parties have named candidates for nomination at the September primaries. More offices than usual are to be filled at the fall elections. The candidates for nominations follow:

Republican—Council, four years, C. F. D'Oliver, F. M. Snyder, J. H. McCulloch, G. P. Bistline; two years, Robert Rice, J. K. Saucer-man.

School board, E. S. L. Soule, A. A. Partner, George W. Myers. Assessor, C. B. Adams, W. W. Potter.

Justice of the peace, J. W. Davis. Constable, John Wagner, C. A. Beers.

High constable, Charles Byers, C. B. Leonard. Auditor, Edgar S. Butz.

Assistant assessor, W. B. Martin, first district; B. F. Horting, second district.

Judge of elections, P. T. Wise, first district; Arnold Little, second district.

Inspector, Arthur Carns, first district; John H. Corman, second district.

Democrat—Council, four years, S. J. Smith, S. D. Myers, S. W. Light, W. H. Kepper, P. A. Nickey, C. C. Brandt, H. F. Fleck; two years, G. W. Moretz.

School directors, C. L. Bair, Clarence S. Smith, Dr. L. A. Carl, Dr. Charles E. DeLancey. Assessor, J. S. Super.

Assistant assessor, E. W. Watson, first district; C. S. Whitekettle, second district.

Justice of the peace, J. M. Wolf. Auditor, H. G. Wright.

Judge of elections, P. R. Hom-bach, first district; T. A. Morrow, second district.

Inspector of elections, George C. Rodes, first district; T. W. Bassett, second district.

Blaze at Princeton Causes \$12,000 Loss

Princeton, N. J., Aug. 11.—Fire of unknown origin yesterday broke out at Osborn Field, the scene of Princeton track and baseball games and before it could be brought under control had completely destroyed the grandstand, the press stand and several sections of the bleachers with adjoining property. The loss is estimated at \$12,000.

Tsunetada Kato Will Go to Omsk

Tokio, Aug. 11.—The Japanese government has decided to appoint Tsunetada Kato, former minister to Belgium, as high commissioner to Omsk, seat of Kolchak anti-Bolshevik government.

Great Britain and France have high commissioners at Omsk, but the United States has no permanent diplomatic representative. Roland S. Morris, the American Ambassador to Japan, who left tonight for Omsk on a special mission of investigation of political conditions, is expected to make a report to Washington on the question of the official recognition of the Kolchak regime.

WILL START FURNACE

Marietta, Aug. 11. Lavino & Co., of Philadelphia, will put into operation again, their furnace at Marietta. Repairs are now being made and in about ten days work will start. They will make manganese iron and more than 100 men will be given employment.

Lewistown School Board Chooses Teaching Corps

Lewistown, Pa., Aug. 11.—The Lewistown school board has elected the following teachers: Miss Frances Carter, Utica, N. Y., teacher of English, vice Miss Greta Lang, resigned to accept a similar position in the abington schools; A. S. Barringer, of Harrisburg, commercial instructor; H. S. Snyder, Ashland, Mathematics; Maynard Cassidy, Huntingdon, principal eighth grade; Dr. H. B. Brishin, medical inspector; and H. D. Yeaman, chief of police, trustee officer.

NARROW ESCAPE AT GARAGE

Marietta, Aug. 11.—John Libhart, employed at the Reich garage, and many others who were in the garage, made a narrow escape from being blown to pieces when something went wrong with the acetylene plant. Only the hose exploded fortunately, and part of it struck Libhart on the right side, badly bruising him.

Through R. R. Service Belgrade to Paris

Nish, Serbia, Aug. 11.—Through railroad service from Paris to Belgrade, Constantinople and Athens is expected to be established about the middle of this month. The railway from Semendria, on the Danube, to Nish, which was destroyed by the Austrians and Germans, has been reconstructed. From Nish to Saloniki the railway was repaired some weeks ago.

To complete the through line from Constantinople to Paris it is now only necessary to repair the partly destroyed bridge over the Save river at Belgrade.

LAST BOATMAN DIES
Marietta, Aug. 11.—Robert Wertz, 84 years old, veteran of the Civil War, and native of Washington borough, died in the Columbia Hospital from the effects of a stroke. He is the last of the old canal boatmen, and saw more active service than any other man who went to war from his town.



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