

WHERE NEVADA BOYS GET THEIR TRAINING

(By Associated Press.)
 TACOMA, Wash., Sept. 17.—Squads of soldiers from Pacific coast and intermountain states are taking their first army drill at Camp Lewis on the shores of American Lake near Tacoma.
 It is the largest army cantonment in the United States and when the full force of the selective draft is carried out, not later than October 1, it will contain 46,099 officers and men. The cantonment site covers 15,000 acres and embraces seven lakes, forest, stream, prairie and salt water reservation. It was presented to the government by the people of Pierce county, Wash. of which Tacoma is the largest city. They bonded themselves for \$2,000,000, bought the land and turned it over to the government. At that time it was intended to use it for a division post as war had not been declared.
 The site was selected by Maj. Gen. J. Franklin Bell, now commanding the department of east, who first sur-

veyed it in 1895 and saw its value as a training ground and strategic point.
 When congress created the national army the government built on this site a military city in eight weeks, employing 10,000 men and costing \$4,000,000. This is exclusive of the base hospital now under construction which will cost \$504,000 and will have equipment worth another half million dollars. It will have a capacity of 6000 beds. Permanent water, sewerage and lighting systems have been installed, sufficiently extensive to meet the needs of a city of 200,000 inhabitants. The barracks and mess halls are built in rows for miles. The stables at the remount station will accommodate 15,000 horses and mules.
 The Nisqually prairies where maneuvers will be held is seven and one-half miles long and four miles wide. The climate of the Puget Sound regions will allow for training twelve months a year. The earth formation

sheds water easily.
 Maj. Gen. H. A. Greene, a soldier for more than 40 years, was made commandant at the post with four brigadier generals under him. Many of the younger officers, 1400 in all, were trained at the Presidio, San Francisco, at the first officers' camp. Provision has been made to teach the men every form of modern warfare. Trench work, throwing of hand grenades, machine gun practice, rifle usage and the like. Camouflage also will have its place and men from the moving picture studios of California will aid in this.
 Postal authorities have urged the correct addressing of mail so that the thousands of soldiers will have no trouble obtaining their letters. Here is a correct way to address a letter: Private John Smith, Company H, 264th Infantry, Camp Lewis, Washington.
 The company and the regiment as well as the arm of the service is necessary to insure delivery.

WALTER KERMEEN ESCAPES PENITENTIARY BY SICKNESS

W. W. Kermeen, formerly of Tonopah, is to be permitted to die a free man, says the Phoenix Republican.
 In custody of his mother, Kermeen will pass through the big steel gates of the Arizona state prison tomorrow morning. A proclamation of parole, granting him his liberty until such time as he shall recover or die from his illness, was issued by Gov. Thos. E. Campbell today.
 Kermeen was convicted in the superior court of Cochise county on a first degree murder charge and was sentenced to die by a hangman's noose. For 21 months he was confined in the death chamber at the prison, his sentence finally being com-

muted by former Governor Hunt to life imprisonment. Kermeen is said to have come nearer to paying the death penalty at the prison than any other white man ever sentenced to die the commutation being made the day preceding the date of execution.
 It was this long confinement in the death chamber, it is stated, which is directly responsible for the present condition of the man. The terrible strain is said to have caused him to contract tuberculosis. He weighed 180 pounds when confined and when released had dwindled in weight to 120 pounds. Although nearly six feet high, he weighs only 117 pounds today.
 After an exhaustive examination of

his physical condition, Dr. George F. Huffman, prison physician, declares that Kermeen is a victim of pulmonary tuberculosis in an advanced stage and has but a short time to live, under the most favorable conditions.
 The state board of pardons and paroles, after a personal examination of the man and following a long established precedent in such cases, unanimously recommended to the governor that Kermeen be paroled and placed in the custody of his mother, Mrs. J. J. Kermeen of Las Vegas, Nev., until such time as the state of his health shall warrant his return to the prison.

CONGRESS EXPECTS TO ADJOURN IN OCTOBER

(By Associated Press.)
 WASHINGTON, Sept. 17.—Congressional plans, completed today, contemplate adjournment early in October.
 Speed in the senate alone is essential to carrying this plan into effect. The house has almost completed its work and conferees are making all possible haste to reach agreements on measures that have passed both houses.
 Indications are that the senate will cooperate as it rushed through the trading with the enemy and war bond bills last week in record time and has taken hold of the soldiers' and sailors' insurance bill, one of the two remaining big measures it has to pass, with an apparent determination

to expedite consideration of it. Closure may be resorted to if necessary.
 Aside from the insurance measure and the seven billion dollar war deficiency bill, most of the big legislation of the session will be in conference this week. They include the war tax, war bond and trading with the enemy bills.
 Agreement on the war tax bills some time this week is anticipated, as its consideration has progressed smoothly.
 Forecasts are that the bill will emerge from conference carrying provisions for lives of about \$2,500,000,000.
 Whether the alien draft resolution, adopted by the senate last week, will be taken up in the house is unde-

termined. Many members want it adopted, but it may be crowded out in the rush preceding adjournment.
 The war deficiency bill probably will pass the house today. The senate will reconvene Tuesday and take up the Webb export trading bill, already passed by the house, and this will be followed by the Walsh oil land leasing bill. The deficiency measure may displace one of these. The insurance bill is being given committee consideration and probably will be reported late this week.
 The house committee, appointed to investigate defective ammunition, began its hearings today, with a number of employes, including inspectors and chemists, of the Frankford arsenal called as witnesses.

BALD EAGLE ON TOP OF A STACK

MAGNIFICENT SPECIMEN RUNS FOUL OF THE ENTANGLEMENTS OF A CITY
 Tonopah is getting the reputation of being a wild animal center. Last week a six foot snake was found happily dangled in the telephone office but last night a monarch of the air, of a species seldom seen even in the Sierras, was trapped on Brougher avenue. This was a bald eagle with the bald spot on the top of his head clearly discernible as he flew in from the direction of Mount Brougher. He was an immense bird with a spread of wings that could not have been less than six feet. He was exhausted, apparently by a long flight for he was sailing slowly at a height of not more than 50 feet when he collided with an electric wire crossing Edwards street near the intersection of Brougher. The eagle turned slightly to the east and flew against the galvanized iron smoke stack leading from the boiler room of the residence of John C. Martin. One foot got caught in the angle formed by a wire stay at the point where it was attached to the stack and there the bird struggled for over an hour in the presence of a hundred interested spectators. Chief Henderson of the fire department, was called upon for a ladder but, as the department is not equipped with aerial ladders he could not head a rescue corps. Finally the bird broke loose and sailed off toward the West End head frame. This is the first case of an eagle having been seen in the camp.

AIRPLANE TESTS THREE MILES HIGH

(By Associated Press.)
 COLORADO SPRINGS, Sept. 17.—United States aviation experts are using Pike's Peak to test the horsepower efficiency of an airplane engine which is proposed for use in government war planes. At the top of the peak of 14,000 feet, experts daily are watching to determine the engine's value for altitude flights.
 At sea level this giant eight-cylinder engine has a horsepower of 250, but at the top of the peak it devel-

oped only 90 horsepower in a test. In other words, the decrease in horsepower is about 4 1/2 per cent for every one thousand feet the engine goes above sea level.
 Attached to the truck are all scientific appliances for testing and registering horsepower, speed of revolutions, strength of parts, vibration and other scientific points. The experts, of course, will not make public their conclusions in the interests of war secrecy.

DESIGNS OF POSTERS FOR LIBERTY BONDS

(By Associated Press.)
 SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 17.—Four million posters of eight designs and 500,000 window cards in one design are to be a part of the ammunition that will be used in the liberty loan drive to start before October 1 according to local Liberty Loan headquarters. The contracts for the posters and cards have just been let by the treasury department and the awards were made after a competition in which 150 sketches were submitted without cost to the government.
 The first design chosen represents Uncle Sam pointing to khaki-clad soldiers with aeroplanes and battle ships in the background. The inscription is taken from one of Secretary McAdoo's speeches, "Shall we be more tender with our dollars than with the lives of our sons?"
 The second design shows the Statue of Liberty at sunrise and the sky is interwoven with the flag. The inscription reads "Before Sunset Buy a Liberty Bond."
 The third design presents the old Liberty Bell and carries the inscription "Ring It Again."
 The fourth is a soldier and sailor with clasped hands under the American flag.
 The fifth design is of two little children saying: "My daddy is fighting at the front for you. Back him up by buying a Liberty Bond."
 Design number six is a bronze tablet effect carrying a picture of President Wilson and the American shield with the president's statement "The time has come to conquer or submit. There is but one choice and we have made it."

Design number seven has the picture of the treasury with the inscription, "Lend your money to the government."
 The eighth design shows an immigrant ship arriving in New York harbor with the Statue of Liberty, Ellis Island and the tall buildings in the foreground.
 The window card has a bronze steel tablet effect reading, "Second Liberty Loan, 1917—Buy a Bond."
 A supply of the posters is expected in a few weeks.

MILLIONS OF TRUCK IN DENVER

(By Associated Press.)
 DENVER, Sept. 17.—Denver's war gardens will raise, on the basis of prevailing prices, two million dollars worth of "garden truck," according to P. L. Clarke, head of the department of grades and agriculture of the public schools, who had a leading part in the movement. There are in Denver 30,000 gardens averaging 25 feet by 60 feet each and totalling 60,000,000 square feet of land. These gardens placed side by side would extend more than half across the state of Colorado from north to south.
 Most of the produce is of the expensive truck garden variety. Thousands of these gardens have proven potatoes can be grown in Denver.
 To irrigate these plots the local water company furnished water free of charge for one vacant lot for each family and without extra charge on premises having lawns.
 Patricia says that about the only thing that hasn't gone up since the war started is her opinion of her boss.—Galveston News.

ROMAN PEOPLE PLACED ON BREAD RATIONS

(By Associated Press.)
 ROME, Sept. 17.—A popular Roman referring to the unrest caused by bread shortage asserts the government proposes to issue bread cards in October, since the wheat shortage is ten million quintals.

ACCOUNTANTS OFFER SERVICE TO NATION

(By Associated Press.)
 WASHINGTON, Sept. 17.—Plans for the concentration of a large number of the country's leading accountants for important war service in government auditing and supervision was announced today at the annual meeting of the American Institute of accountants.

The parents of the children slaughtered in bombed English school houses may have a few ideas of peace terms, too.—Detroit Press.
 The latest German air raid bagged a church and a hospital and so from the Kaiser's viewpoint, was very successful.—Dallas News.
 Our idea of a happy marriage is where the wife is a boarding house keeper and the husband a stomach specialist.—Galveston News.

STOCKHOLM SOCIALISTS ARRANGE CONFERENCE

(By Associated Press.)
 STOCKHOLM, Sept. 17.—The organizing committee of the socialist conference reported it had not abandoned the conference but that date will be fixed as soon as passport difficulties are settled.

VETERAN REPUBLICAN DEAD

(By Associated Press.)
 BALTIMORE, Sept. 17.—William F. Stone, sergeant at arms of the Republican national committee, died early yesterday.

Witty Sayings

There's something wrong with con science that doesn't tell us what's wrong until it is done.—Albany Journal.
 Michaelis says Germany "knows what she wants." And so does the earth she's been grabbing at.—Atlanta Constitution.
 Is Italy at war? Austria certainly knows.—Butte Miner.

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