

MORE THAN 10,000,000 REGISTERED FOR SERVICE

Nation's First Military Census Completed—No Serious Disturbance, Such as Some Had Feared and Others Had Hoped For—Full Enrollment Appears Assured.

Washington, June 5.—More than 10,000,000 young Americans enrolled themselves today for war service. Registration day, with but a few weeks of preparation saw the first military census ever taken in the United States completed without a single untoward event of consequence.

From virtually every State reassuring messages came tonight to Brig Gen. Crowder, provost marshal general, federal supervising officer of the great enterprise.

While no complete returns from any State were transmitted the governors were unanimous in reporting that complete order had prevailed throughout the day and that a full registration is indicated.

In some precincts the late comers forced officials to keep the polls open until long after the 9 p. m. closing hour set in the regulations. Gen. Crowder authorized them to keep open as long as men wished to enroll themselves.

The early reports showing a full turnout all over the country indicate that the estimates of the census bureau as to the number of men within the specified age limits would be verified by the count. Wherever partial figures were available the estimates checked closely.

A typical message received was that from Idaho: "Spontaneous and without murmur or incident."

The situation was so clear and response so ready throughout the country that governors of 46 of the 48 States had sent similar assurances long before registration had closed and the other two were close on their heels.

A feature of the registration was the refusal of hundreds of thousands of men to make any reply to the question: "Do you claim exemption?"

Even men who reported that they had physical disabilities, men with obvious physical disabilities and those whose occupations are certain to keep them at home declined to make such a claim. Apparently they have entered fully into the very spirit of the law. They are content to leave the question of exemption to the exemption boards. They have no claims to make; but are ready to do their share, whatever it may be.

With the closing of each registration precinct officials went at once to the task of sorting and classifying the cards. There is much work to be done in order that the brief synopsis which each governor will make to Gen. Crowder of the registration of his State may go forward promptly.

Gen. Crowder is hopeful that another 36 hours will see the full record of the country on his desk.

Alaska and Hawaii will record their fighting men on dates to be sent later and the roll of Americans now abroad who are besieging consulates all over the world for registration cards will add to the great list.

Can Enlist Now. Gen. Crowder made it clear that registration acted as bar against no man who wishes to enlist in the army or navy.

Late tonight only four arrests had been officially reported to the department of justice at Hamilton, Ohio, Hartford, Conn., Richmond, Va., and at a small place near St. Louis. Department of justice officials had anticipated only local or sporadic disturbances and had predicted that the men opposed to registration would not resort to force anywhere but they took every precaution to cope with emergencies if their plans to check all trouble in its incipency should fail.

Every man in the field had strict orders to arrest offenders promptly and hale them before federal commissioners. The success of their plans and of the work of the men in the field and the splendid order that prevailed generally surprised even the expectations of the government officials.

ICE CREAM SUPPER. There will be an ice cream supper at Bethlehem church Saturday night. The proceeds will go to the benefit of the church. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Glenn Springs hotel will open this year on June 16th, Chas. D. Green lessee. This year marks the 105th anniversary opening of this famous summer resort.

Mrs. L. G. Young and Miss Mamie Young attended the Nichols-Perrin marriage on Thursday evening.

Twenty-three young women graduate at Anderson college this week.

FALSE RUMOR NAILED

J. M. Whitehead Investigates Charges Reflecting Upon His Son, Boyce J. Whitehead, and Shows Them to Be Without Foundation.

Mr. J. M. Whitehead, upon hearing the rumor that his son, Boyce J. Whitehead, had been put under arrest at Ft. Oglethorpe, charged with having made false statements in his application to be admitted to the training camp there, has gone to considerable expense and trouble to investigate the charges, and has found that the charges were without foundation and altogether false.

The following is the communication given us for publication by Mr. Whitehead:

Jonesville, S. C., R. F. D. 2, 6-7-17. Editor Union Times.

Dear Sir: Please give me space in your paper to brand as maliciously false the rumor that my son, Boyce J. Whitehead, is serving a prison sentence for falsifying to get into the Officers' Military Training Camp at Ft. Oglethorpe, Ga., by the following letters:

Jonesville, S. C., May 26, 1917. Dr. H. N. Snyder, Spartanburg, S. C.

Dear Dr. Snyder: Please state whether or not you have been interviewed regarding the educational qualifications of Boyce J. Whitehead just what has happened if anything.

Yours truly, J. M. Whitehead.

Spartanburg, S. C., May 30, 1917. Mr. J. M. Whitehead, Jonesville, S. C.

Dear Mr. Whitehead: On my return to Spartanburg after an absence of several days I find your letter of May 26th awaiting me. In reply I write to say that I have not been interviewed in regard to the educational qualifications of Boyce J. Whitehead.

In fact, nobody has asked me any questions about him. I do not know positively just what has happened. There are rumors, however, on the campus that Boyce has been put under arrest for falsifying in the statement he made to the recruiting officer.

With best wishes, Henry N. Snyder, President.

These letters are produced for the satisfaction of our friends and for the benefit of him who maliciously and falsely originated and circulated it. Perhaps he is now satisfied. But I do not know if he will call on me at my home in Spartanburg, S. C., in six days in the week.

J. M. Whitehead.

WILL MOVE TO GREENVILLE. Mr. A. C. Mann, one of Union's leading attorneys, and since Dec. 15, 1915, magistrate for Union township, has resigned the office of magistrate to take effect June 15, and will move to Greenville where he will become associated with Haynsworth & Haynsworth, a leading law firm of the State.

Mr. Mann, since coming to Union, has established himself thoroughly and has won a large place for himself in the community. That he will no longer make Union his home will be deeply regretted by many. His letter of resignation as magistrate is as follows:

Union, S. C., June 1st, 1917. Gov. Richard I. Manning, Columbia, S. C.

Dear Sir: An unexpected and unusual opportunity has thrown itself across my pathway, and to avail myself of it I must, necessarily, leave Union, though I regret exceedingly to do so. I will, therefore, have to resign the office of magistrate for Union township, the duties of which I performed since you so graciously appointed me December 15th, 1915. As you remember, I was reelected last summer but I do not begin this term of office until December 15th.

I have been tendered a position and connection with the firm of Haynsworth and Haynsworth, attorneys at Greenville, S. C., and after due consideration I have decided to join that firm on the 15th of June, 1917. It is an opportunity that I cannot let pass in justice to myself.

I wish this resignation to take effect no the 15th of June, 1917. I regret very much to place on you the responsibility of appointing another man; if, however, I can serve you in anyway in selecting a man, it will be a pleasure to me to do so.

I hand this resignation with the highest degree of appreciation of the trust placed in me, evidenced by the appointment that I received at your hands. If I can ever serve you in Greenville, or elsewhere, command me. With kindest personal regards, I am,

Very respectfully yours, A. C. Mann, Magistrate Union County.

Columbia, S. C., June 2, 1917. Hon. A. C. Mann, Union, S. C.

Dear Sir: I have yours of the 1st inst., and will accept your resignation, same to take effect June 15th. Permit me to say it is with genuine regret that I have received your resignation, for I have felt that you have made good and I have a high appreciation of the

WEDDING PLANS CHANGED. In The Times of last week the announcement of the engagement of Capt. Joseph Dagan Arthur, Jr., of Panama and Miss Sara Michaux, of Goldsboro, N. C., was made and it was thought then that Miss Michaux would join Capt. Arthur in Panama and the marriage celebrated there.

Since that time Capt. Arthur has been granted leave of absence and will come to the States for his bride, the exact date of the marriage to be announced upon his arrival.

Mr. Cliff Sligh of Columbia spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Sligh on S. Church street.

UNION COUNTY ENROLLED 2,329 MEN LAST TUESDAY

FOR JUNE BRIDES.

Mrs. W. E. Thomson and Miss Kathrin Thomson entertained Monday afternoon for Misses Louisa Duncan and Vivian Sarratt and the guests included the bridal parties and the members of the young set. Sweet peas made a charming decoration and after cards were put aside, the hostesses served ices and pound cake. The brides were given silk hose as souvenirs of this occasion.

On Saturday afternoon Misses Belle Moore and Blanche Garner entertained for these popular brides and Dorothy Perkins roses were used in great profusion. The tables for bridge were placed in the parlors and halls and the score cards were hand-painted baskets of roses.

During the game music was furnished by Misses Elizabeth Garner and Kathrin Sartor. The brides were showered with dainty and useful lingerie and have jotted this afternoon down in the memory's book as one of the pleasantest of the many affairs heralding their marriages.

Ice cream and cake were served by Misses Theo Young and Maude Garner.

The Fortnightly club was entertained by Mrs. J. Clough Wallace on Thursday afternoon and Miss Vivian Sarratt was the guest of honor. The decorations were artistic and very beautiful; daisies and late spring flowers filling bowls and vases and each table held a vase of these blossoms.

Sherbert with cake was served and the hostess presented the bride with a satin camisole for the trousseau.

Miss Virginia Lee Poole was hostess at an elaborate bridge luncheon Saturday morning when numbers of the maids and matrons were bidden to do honor to the brides-elect who are being showered with attentions.

The home was bright with a wealth of sweet peas and pink roses, showers of sweet peas suspended from the chandeliers made a pleasing decoration. The score cards were hand-painted brides and grooms and the brides were hand-embroidered satin bags containing silk hose of a favorite shade.

The table was perfectly appointed, the centre piece being a silver basket filled with pink and white sweet peas and ferns and at each end of the table silver vases held the same flowers. A three course luncheon was served and the brides and prospective grooms toasted in merry fashion.

Mrs. J. F. McLure entertained Friday afternoon for Misses Louisa Duncan and Vivian Sarratt and cards were enjoyed for an hour or more. The score cards were miniature wedding scenes, and pink and white ices carrying out the chosen color of these brides were served with old-fashioned pound cake.

GRADUATING EXERCISES AT UNION HIGH SCHOOL. On Friday evening the graduating exercises were held and Dr. Lee Davis Lodge of Limestone college delivered the literary address. He was introduced by Prof. Davis Jeffries and was heard with increasing interest.

Certificates were presented to Misses Sadie Barnado, Lizzie Mae Estes, Thelma Hart, Elizabeth Garner, Perlie Johnson, Pearl Kelly, Lillian Malone, Gertrude Orr, Jamima Wilburn, Marie Wilburn and Mr. Jennings Alford.

The medal awarded every year to the high school pupil making the highest general average was won by Miss Jamima Wilburn, with Miss Elizabeth Garner a close second, there being a very small difference in their respective marks. The medal is given by Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Arthur in memory of their daughter, Kathleen Arthur, who died while a member of the high school and is earnestly worked for during the whole year. In view of the fact that Miss Elizabeth Garner came so close to the winner, she was presented with a beautiful jewel by these generous donors.

The program was given with the following members of the class participating: Salutatory—Miss Lillian Malone. Essay—Miss Lizzie Mae Estes. Class Statistics—Miss Sadie Barnado. Class Poem—Miss Perlie Johnson. Class Prophecy—Miss Marie Wilburn. Class Will—Miss Pearl Kelly. Valedictory—Miss Jamima Wilburn. The diplomas were presented by Prof. E. A. Fuller, who made a touching farewell to the grade and pointed them to higher and broader fields of activity.

IN HOSPITAL. Mr. C. E. Bailey of Kelton has been in the hospital in Chester for a fortnight suffering with a sore finger. He was trimming the rose vines and a thorn pierced his finger causing it to rise.

There Were 1,280 Whites and 1,049 Negroes—Bnsy Day For Registrars Here and Elsewhere in County—Prompt Returns Made to Macbeth Young, Chairman.

Tuesday, June 5, was registration day in Union county and throughout the nation. Union county showed up remarkably well, with a total enrollment of 2329, there being 1280 whites, of whom seven are aliens, and 1049 negroes, between the ages of 21 and 31. There was no report of any disturbance, nor of any attempt to hinder or evade the law. The registrars and their helpers served without pay, as did the county chairman, Macbeth Young and his coworkers, W. W. Johnson and R. C. Williams. The ladies of the community furnished dinner and supper for the workers at headquarters here. Mrs. J. A. Fant, Miss Mamie H. Oetzel, Mrs. Macbeth Young, Mrs. E. Prioleau, Mrs. Lewis M. Rice were the committee appointed by the ladies who furnished the two meals, and without charge. A vote of thanks was unanimously extended the ladies for this kind thoughtfulness by the force of workers at the Union precinct. All the registrars served without pay, as did all their helpers. Mr. Cole Lawson, who was registrar at Union, and served without pay, had 15 helpers who also served without pay and for the entire day. The same thing went on at other voting precincts.

The books were kept open up to 9 p. m. and only the following morning the finished reports began to come in to the chairman. By 1 o'clock Wednesday every precinct, the chain gang and the out-of-county residents, had in a complete report.

Many young men of the county between the ages of 21 and 31 are already enlisted. Co. E, the Jonesville National Guard company, the Engineering company, the navy and regular army would show perhaps two or three hundred of our young men of the required age. This with the enrollment Tuesday would total right around 2500.

Tuesday's enrollment by precinct is as follows:

Table with 3 columns: Whites, Col., Total. Rows include Buffalo, West Springs, Black Rock, Kelton, Knitting Mills, Jonesville, Wilburn's Store, Santuc, Carlisle, Lockhart, Meador, Gibbs, Union Courthouse, Coleraine, Monarch, Adamsburg, Cross Keys, Co. Chaingang, Out-of-county Res., Grand total.

DEATH OF J. E. HELTON. Mr. J. E. Helton died at his home at Excelsior Knitting mills last Friday and was buried Saturday in Rosemont cemetery. Some eight months ago his wife died, and a very sad feature of their deaths is that six children, ranging in age from three to thirteen years, are left without father and mother. Efforts are being made to place these children in an orphanage where they may be reared and trained.

M. B. LEE HURT. Mr. M. B. Lee was painfully bruised about the face and upon the hands and considerably shaken up last Friday morning when his horse ran away and dashed into a moving westbound freight train at the Buffalo crossing just inside the northern limits of Union. The horse was injured so badly that it had to be killed; the buggy was demolished and Mr. Lee hurled to the ground and considerably bruise.

Mr. Lee says he thought the end had come for him; that his horse frightened when the shaft broke loose and began sticking the animal. At this time he was about one or two hundred yards from the grade crossing. He did not know there was a train passing until he rose over the hill; seeing the way blocked he thought the end had come.

Mr. Lee has many warm friends throughout Union county who will be glad to learn that his accident resulted in no more serious injury. This crossing has been the scene of many accidents—Mr. Bill Lawson, it will be remembered, was killed there, and Mr. Fincher so seriously injured several years ago.

Mrs. B. G. Clifford is still improving, which is exceedingly gratifying to her host of friends.