

SELECTIVE DRAFT BILL

IS PASSED BY BOTH HOUSES OF CONGRESS.

Senate Wants Age Limit 21 to 27,
House Makes it 21 to 40.—Free
Conference to Adjust.

Washington, April 28.—By an overwhelming majority both the senate and house passed late tonight the administration bill to raise a war army by selective draft. The final roll calls brought into line behind the bill many senators and representatives who had fought for the volunteer system until routed by the decisive defeat of volunteer amendments earlier in the day in both houses.

The senate, which had voted down the volunteer plan, 69 to 18, passed the bill by a vote of 81 to 8. In the house the vote against the volunteer plan was 313 to 109 and that by which the bill itself passed was 397 to 24.

As passed by the senate the measure provides for the draft of men between the ages of 21 and 27 years, while in the house measure the age limits are fixed at 21 and 40. This and lesser discrepancies will be threshed out in conference early next week, so that the bill may be in the hands of the president as quickly as possible. The war department already has completed plans for carrying it into effect.

Both for Draft.

Both senate and house early in the afternoon voted approval today of the administration's proposal to raise a great war army on the principle of selective conscription, voting down by overwhelming majority the volunteer army amendments around which opponents of the administration had centered their fight. Tonight the bill was pressed for passage in both houses.

In the senate the vote on the volunteer amendment was 69 to 18, and in the house it was 279 to 98, supporters of conscription marshalling a strength which surprised even administration leaders.

Whether congress finally would accept the staff's recommendations regarding the ages between which conscription should apply appeared more uncertain. In the senate the bill's stipulation that men between 19 and 25 should be liable to the draft was changed to make the minimum 21 and the maximum 27. The house voted down all proposed changes including the military committee recommendation that the limits be fixed at 21 and 40.

These and a number of lesser amendments will be considered as speedily as possible in conference in the hope that the measure may be sent to the president for his signature by the middle of next week.

Among the more important amendments adopted in the house was one empowering the president to exempt from the draft in his discretion persons engaged in agricultural work. This was pressed to success by Representative Lever, of South Carolina. Another would require each State to furnish a quota of men apportioned according to population, and still another provides that no bounty shall be paid to induce any person to enlist "and that no person liable to military service shall be permitted or allowed to furnish a substitute for such service."

Talk of Prohibition.

In the senate there was a long debate over the proposal to prohibit the sale or possession of intoxicating liquor during the war. Several amendments were adopted including one to make it unlawful to sell or give liquor to officers or men in uniform or to members of congress or other officials and then the senate reversed itself and adopted a substitute simply forbidding the sale of liquor to soldiers in uniform and giving the president wide discretionary authority to make other prohibition regulations.

An amendment by Senator Curtis stipulating that men subject to draft who voluntarily present themselves shall be recorded as volunteers was accepted by Chairman Chamberlain and went into the bill.

Another long debate was evoked over amendments by Senators Thomas and La Follette to exempt from conscription those having "conscientious objections to military service." Both were defeated without roll call, and the bill exemption proposals left unchanged.

SUBMARINE IS SUNK.

American Liner Mongolia Bags First Prize of War.

London, April 25.—Capt. Rice, of the American steamship Mongolia, which has arrived at a British port, told the Associated Press today that the Mongolia had fired the first gun of the war for the United States and sunk a German submarine.

The naval gunners on board made a clean hit at 1,000 yards. The periscope was seen to be shattered.

The submarine, Capt. Rice said, was about to attack the great liner in British waters on April 19. He declared there was absolutely no doubt that the U-Boat was hit and that there was every reason to believe it was destroyed.

Found Its Mark.

Even more pertinent a fact, as regards the ultimate fate of the submarine, was that the shell disappeared immediately after the hit was made. The captain stated that a shell always ricochets in the water and can be seen again unless it finds the mark. Oil also was seen on the water after the submarine disappeared.

The Mongolia was going at full

speed and was a long distance away when the spray and foam subsided, but from the bridge the officers observed the spot through their glasses and they are confident the submarine was sunk.

The periscope was sighted dead ahead on the last afternoon of the voyage. The captain gave the order for full speed ahead with the intention of ramming the submarine.

The periscope disappeared and a few minutes later reappeared on the ship's broadside. The gunners fired, hitting the periscope squarely and throwing up a mountain of water.

A plow drawn by a motorcycle has been invented to keep the ice of skating rinks smooth.

A Poor Diplomat.

"I think the one you refused is much the more attractive of the two."

"I admit that, but when he proposed he went into ecstasies over how happy I could make him; but the one I accepted spoke earnestly of how happy he would try to make me."—New York Herald.

PAIGE

The Most Beautiful Car in America

Introducing

"THE MOST BEAUTIFUL CAR IN AMERICA"

On January the First, and at the leading automobile shows, we introduced what we sincerely believe to be the most beautiful car in America.

This, we admit, is a bold and sweeping statement.

It is probably the most sensational announcement that has ever been made by a manufacturer of medium priced automobiles.

But we mean precisely what the words imply, and only ask that you reserve final judgment until you have seen the New Paige with your own eyes.

It is not our purpose, in this advertisement, to describe one single detail of the latest and greatest Paige Achievement.

We merely invite you to visit the nearest Paige Representative—key your expectations up to the very highest pitch—and determine for yourself whether or not we have been guilty of exaggeration.

A moment's reflection, however, must convince you that we would not and could not make any such claim unless it were substantially correct.

Our entire reputation and position in the motor car industry depend upon the accuracy of our public utterances.

Knowing this, it is not likely that we would voluntarily assume responsibility for a statement which could be refuted to our everlasting discredit.

If, though, you are still inclined to doubt, please remember that Paige has been one of the truly creative factors in the motor car industry.

From the very beginning our body designs have been absolutely unique and refreshingly distinctive.

If imitation is the most sincere form of flattery, we should indeed feel elated, because it is generally admitted that Paige designs have served as the models for practically every quality car in the industry.

Nothing could more strikingly emphasize the fact that Paige has *always* built beautiful cars—and can be logically expected to produce—"The Most Beautiful Car in America."

So far as the mechanical features of our product are concerned, you need only consult the thousands of owner records which have been established during the past seven years.

The Paige motor and chassis are world famous. They have been developed by the ripest engineering genius that the industry affords.

In them we have incorporated every improvement, every refinement, that could possibly increase the efficiency of a smooth running, ever dependable motor car.

As we have said time and time again, you can only expect to get out of an automobile precisely what the manufacturer puts into it.

There is no substitute for basic quality. To build the truly great things in this world one must work with his Heart quite as well as his Hands.

But for the present, we are going to say no more.

When you—and other Americans like you—stand before the latest and greatest Paige achievement, our case will be in the hands of the Jury.

So, please remember this advertisement at that time—every word of it—and determine for yourself whether or not our claims are justified.

In justice to your own interests, make it a special point to see "The Most Beautiful Car in America."

The Paige-Detroit Motor Car Company
Detroit, Michigan

BLACK & BLACK
Distributors - - - Bamberg, S. C.

