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JOSEPH P. MONOGUE SLAIN AT NEWPORT

Former Burlingtonian and Two Other Men Shot by an Immigrant Named Tiddey.

OTHERS WILL RECOVER.

Tiddey Was About to Be Deported as Undesirable Alien and Produced Gun When Officers Appeared.

Newport, Sept. 26.—Traffic Officer Joseph P. Manogue, formerly of Burlington, was shot and almost instantly killed, D. J. McDermott, immigration officer at Newport, was seriously wounded, and a traveling man, whose name could not be learned, was also shot and slightly wounded this afternoon about two o'clock in the office of the Newport House. The man who did the shooting was an immigrant who gave his name as R. J. Tiddey. He had been detained recently at Newport by Immigration Officer McDermott, and was to have been deported this afternoon as an undesirable citizen.

Tiddey, after his detention was given a room at the Newport House to await the arrival of a train for Canada. When the officers went to take him to the train, they found the door of the room locked. They demanded that Tiddey let them in but he stoutly refused, whereupon the officers burst through the panels and seized their man. They pulled him into the hall and succeeded in getting him downstairs into the office, where he managed to get one hand free and, securing a revolver from his pocket, fired several shots at the two men. Manogue was hit in the neck and died almost at once. Officer McDermott received one bullet in the abdomen and another in the wrist. A traveling man was also hit by one of the shots that went wild. It is thought that the officer is seriously injured. The immigrant was taken to the jail and locked up. He gives no explanation of the shooting.

Joseph P. Manogue, who was shot and killed in Newport yesterday afternoon about five o'clock, was at the local police station calling on friends last week. He came to this city by automobile with a party from Newport.

Mr. Manogue was a resident of this city for several years, and served as a special policeman under Mayor Burke. He was also appointed a special by Mayor Jackson last spring, and after doing duty here for two months, went to Newport. In 1916 he did traffic duty in Windsor for a short time.

The news of the shooting of Mr. Manogue was conveyed to Deputy Chief of Police Cosgriff by 'phone from Sheriff James H. Allen at his home in Essex Junction early last evening.

The dead officer is survived by a wife, a married daughter and a son, all of whom reside in Dannemora, N. Y.

Dr. B. H. Stone went last night to Newport to perform an autopsy on the body.

Although no arrangements for the funeral had been contemplated last evening, it was thought by friends of the man in this city that the body would be interred in the Catholic cemetery at Winooski.

EXCESS OF QUOTA CERTIFIED

Total in Vt. Fit for Service in Draft Army, 1,069—Next Draft Is for 420 Men October 3.

Montpelier, Sept. 26.—The federal district board to-night certified to the adjutant-general for war service 31 names: 25 from the first Rutland district and six from Franklin county. The total certified now is 1,069, or 20 above the required quota.

Adjt.-Gen. L. S. Tillotson has sent notices to the several local exemption boards of the State regarding the number of men who will be called from their various districts under the draft for October 3. The honor roll of the men going to Camp Devens at this time is also given and all arrangements are practically completed for handling the men as far as the State is concerned.

The quota of each county is as follows: Addison 49, Bennington 51, Caledonia 8, Chittenden 12, Essex 17, Franklin 18, Grand Isle 13, Lamoille 13, Orange 27, Orleans 37, Rutland No. 1 60, Rutland No. 2 23, Washington 9, Windsor 83; total 420.

BRAN NEW CATERPILLAR GRAZING IN VERMONT

He Is of the Hickory Tussock Form Specializing on Apple Tree Leaves.

Montpelier, Sept. 26.—Harold Bailey of the commission of agriculture finds that the Hickory Tussock form of caterpillar has attacked apple trees in this section of Vermont removing the foliage but probably will do little damage this season.

Amos Eaton, who has been inspecting potatoes for the federal government, finds some very nice specimens in this county, principally in Berlin and Williamstown in Orange county. The purpose of the government is to secure information relative to where seed potatoes can be bought for next years planting.

Rutland County Court.

Rutland, Sept. 26.—In Rutland county court to-day Judge Wilson ordered a verdict for the defendant in the case of Addison L. Perry of this city vs. H. L. Ayer of St. Johnsbury, in which damages of $1,500 were sought on the ground of a malicious prosecution. Mr. Perry sold Mr. Ayer some electric equipment and a short time afterwards the latter had a civil writ served on him for alleged misrepresentation, causing him to be in a deputy sheriff's custody for some hours.

A jury was empaneled to-day to try the case of Mrs. Louise Vondette vs. Almira S. Ross and Emma Bassette, all of West Rutland, and all gray-haired women. Mrs. Vondette asks for $10,000 damages, alleging that she broke one hip by a fall on a stairway in a building owned by the defendants.

The defendant to-day moved to raise its ad damnum from $15,000 to $25,000 in the negligence case of Elwin W. Squires of this city vs. the Rutland Railroad company. Mr. Squires, a fireman, was injured in a wreck last April, losing a hand and suffering a broken leg. A little while after he left the hospital the bones in the injured leg gave way under him and now he is back in bed. He has a wife and two children.

ALLIES WILL WAIT UNTIL U. S. ARMIES ARE IN THE FIELD

American Government Issues First Official Statement Concerning the Activities of the Belligerents in Europe—Sec. Baker Says Allies Have Gained Ascendancy on the Western Front, But Will Remain Content to Stick to Wearing Down Warfare on Foe Until America's Strength Is Sufficient to Be Felt—Review of Operations.

Washington, Sept. 26.—The American government's first official statement concerning military operations in Europe was issued to-night by Secretary Baker, inaugurating a series which in time will be devoted largely to activities of the United States expeditionary forces. It says that while ascendancy on the west front has passed definitely to the allies, they are content merely to wear down the enemy until the force of the American army makes itself felt in the field.

Operations for the week ending September 22 are reviewed by Mr. Baker, without reference to the American force now in France.

The statement follows:

"The secretary of war authorizes the following statement dealing with military activities in Europe for the week ending September 22.

"As the time draws near when military operations on a large scale on the western front must come to a standstill, owing to the approach of winter, it becomes evident that the enemy does not feel himself in a position to undertake the much advertised offensive action so often boasted of at home during the past summer, in order to end the war victoriously by Christmas.

"It may be stated affirmatively that the ascendancy in the west has passed definitely to the allies, although the latter are content by tactics of attrition to wear down the enemy, giving no rest or respite until such a time as the force of our army may make itself felt in the field.

"The week just closed has been one of increased activity on the part of the allies on the western front, and may be taken as a presage of what the enemy is to expect next spring.

"Beginning with desultory artillery fire along a broad front, which gradually narrowed down to an intense bombardment along what is known as the Anzac ridge, about one mile southwest of Zonnebeke, southward through Nun's wood to the Ypres-Menin road, the British increased their artillery preparation to a density hitherto unattained.

"The early days of the week were marked by wet, foggy weather, making artillery observation difficult and any offensive undertaking almost impossible.

"The weather having cleared by Thursday, September 20, the British launched their attack. The infantry advance was preceded by a barrage of greater depth and intensity than has ever before been undertaken in any engagement during the course of the war. Five distinct curtains of fire were stretched ahead of the men as they began to advance through No Man's Laand.

"In spite of the desperate resistance of the enemy, whose lines were protected by concrete dugouts scattered over a wide area and deep mud holes which impeded the attacking infantry, the British were able to gain important tactical positions.

In the face of six counter attacks pushed home vigorously by the enemy, the British remained in full possession of the trated German trenches, they still hold.

"In other sectors were busily engaged in breaking down the enemy resistance in Flanders the Germans attempted minor diversions along the French line particularly northeast of Nancy, which were repulsed.

"East of Craonne the French artillery broke up an attempted German attack, while French detachments penetrated German trenches, destroyed dugouts, and brought back prisoners in the region of Godat.

"The week has witnessed great activity in the air. During two days French bombing expeditions dropped 33,000 pounds of projectiles on enemy territory, including the barracks and factories at Stuttgart and the aviation camp at Colmar, as well as bases south of Metz.

"One of the significant incidents of the week, as demonstrating the increased importance of aircraft, is reported by the British. An aeroplane dispersed a battalion of enemy infantry by turning its machine gun on the men as they were proceeding along a highway in the rear.

"Along the Italian front the active operations of the preceding week have come to a temporary stop. The victorious Italian armies are resting after the great efforts of having conquered the Monte San Gabrieie.

"The Austrians attempted several strong counter attacks against the Bainsizza plateau, all of which were repulsed.

"Reports to hand indicate that the Austrians have made use of 20½ divisions during the recent Italian assault along the Carso front, holding only one division in reserve.

"Advices from Russia indicate that fighting continues in the northern sector.

"Late reports show that the Germans are continuing their offensive and now are threatening Dvinsk.

"The Dvina has been crossed 25 miles southeast of Jacobstadt, and this fortress, which has been evacuated by the Russians, has fallen into the hands of the enemy.

"Though a wide breach in this front may seriously endanger the Russian line, it must be recalled that German advance must come to an end, owing to the lateness of the season.

"News from Russia is delayed, but indications are that the Russian resistance is stiffening.

"Along the Roumanian front no important action has taken place. Scouting expeditions are reported, with occasional artillery duels.

"In the valley of the Suchitza, after a prolonged artillery preparation, the Roumanians attacked and occupied certain enemy fortified positions. Counter attacks by the enemy were repulsed.

"There has been no change in the situation along other fronts."

U. S. NOT EQUAL TO PORTUGAL YET

So Declares Colonel Roosevelt in Speaking of Our Military Strength.

Camp Grant, Rockford, Ill., Sept. 26.—Preparedness and pacifists claimed equal shares of Theodore Roosevelt's attention in an address here to-day to nearly 20,000 men of the 86th division of the national army. Included in his speech was the plea that his hearers, when they have finished the task they are about to begin in Europe, become apostles of universal military service.

The colonel boasted that it made him proud to be an American when he saw the officers and men of the national army had "taken hold" of their job, adding, however:

"Do not allow yourselves to be fooled by admiration of what has been accomplished into failure to understand that we would not have had time to do this had it not been for armies and fleets of France and Great Britain."

Asking General Barry to correct him if he erred, the colonel gave detailed statements regarding the equipment of Camp Grant, reports of which had failed to pass the camp censorship. There were about 5,000 rifles available for drill purposes, he asserted, or roughly three men to drill with one gun, adding that Camp Grant was far ahead of other camps in this respect, according to information he had received.

The pre-war assertion that "a million men would spring to arms between sunrise and sunset," he countered with the claim that, in "eight months, that number had sprung of broomsticks," this statement being in connection with his assertion that men in other camps had only broom handles to aid them in learning the manual of arms.

"We have not, after eight months, an army capable of coping with a German force of 60,000 or 70,000 men," he said, after urging continuation of training camps after the war. "We haven't a field gun and must have the French make them for us. We have one good airplane; I went up in it the other day, but even that isnt good enough to cross the fighting lines. It will have taken a year before the United States equals the force that little Portugal, with her five million people, has on the battle front."

J. N. BARSS LEAVES INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL

Resigns to Take Position as Superintendent of Boys' Home at Shawbridge, P. Q.

Richford, Sept. 26.—In connection with the Baptist State convention, in session here, announcement was made that J. N. Barss of Vergennes, the president, had presented to the commissioner of State institutions, the Hon. J. E. Weeks of Middlebury, his resignation as superintendent of the State Industrial school at Vergennes to take a position as superintendent of the Boys' Home of Shawbridge, P. Q. With his family Mr. Barss will leave the latter part of October to take up his new work November 1.

The Boys' Home is the outgrowth of the juvenile court of Montreal and takes children from that city. It was established about nine years ago in a small way. The board of trustees is composed of about 20 men of much prominence and their ambition is to develop an efficient institution for the regeneration and right training of boys who have been deprived of the right home influence. The juvenile court of Montreal is operated on exactly the same basis as is that of Judge B. B. Lindsey of Denver. The idea is that the court may have a place to send the children where they may be kept under the eye of those interested until they can be sure that regeneration has developed to such a point as would warrant their becoming an asset to the community.

Mr. Barss has been superintendent of the school at Vergennes since ten years ago last August.

"During those ten years," said Mr. Barss to-day, "the State has been exceedingly generous with the school under our control. We have never applied to a Legislature for money for purposes of development of the school when the request was not granted and probably more has been granted than to all the other institutions of the State combined. The attitude of the governors and the board with which I have worked, the moving spirit of which has been the Hon. J. E. Weeks, who now, as commissioner of State institutions, takes the place of the board, has always been most kindly and considerate. In Judge Weeks the State has an officer whose adaptation by temperament and training could not be excelled."

Mr. and Mrs. Barss, who have been attending the sessions of the convention here, left this afternoon for their home.

BRITISH STRIKE ON 6-MILE FRONT

Valuable Vantage Points Snatched from Crown Prince's Troops.

BATTLE STILL RAGING.

Germans Put Up Terrible Opposition—Fight with Unusual Bitterness to Thrust Their Foes Back.

Field Marshal Haig's men again are striking in Flanders, and the force of their blow, like that of those that have preceded it, is meeting with good results on a front of nearly six miles.

Notwithstanding the necessity of carrying the battle to Crown Prince Rupprecht across uninviting ground—virtually a morass owing to recent rains and against the inevitable concrete and steel redoubts and woods and shell craters teeming with rapid fire guns—the English, Scotch and Australian troops have snatched valuable vantage points from the Germans, but not without terrific opposition.

The battle at last accounts was still raging, with the greatly reinforced Germans, who had anticipated the new thrust, fighting with unusual bitterness to hold back further British advances or to recapture terrain already wrested from them.

Haig's new thrust was delivered from the base of front line positions captured and consolidated last week, before which the Germans held numerous vantage points of strategic value, barring the way to further inroads by the British or for harrassing the British line by machine gun and rifle bullets.

As on previous occasions Haig loosed a veritable inferno of artillery fire against the Germans before launching his attack in the early hours of Wednesday morning and when night fell many important positions had been ridded of the enemy, but the Germans at numerous other points savagely contesting the right of way.

Probably the most significant gain of the British, which the Germans assert was to a depth of two-thirds of a mile at certain points, was near Zonnebeke, to within a few hundred yards of the western outskirts of which village they penetrated, placing them about six miles distant from the railway running from Ostend through Roulers and Roubaix to Lille. The cutting of this line, which seems to be the objective of Field Marshal Haig, would seriously affect the transport of the Germans from their naval base at Ostend and Zeebrugge to the south.

Prior to the land attack British naval forces heavily shelled Ostend, and again Wednesday afternoon they repeated the bombardment. Meanwhile naval airplanes dropped bombs on towns in northern Belgium with visibly executive results.

On the other fronts except in the Champagne and Verdun sectors of the line in France no hostilities of great importance are in progress. Before Verdun the big guns again are roaring in a mighty duel, evidently the forerunner of further big infantry operations in the near future. In Champagne the French are heavily shelling the positions of the Crown Prince, with the German artillerists answering them energetically.

In the Austro-Italian theatre the Italians continue to carry out successful patrol engagements against the Austrians and to drop large quantities of explosives from airplanes in military establishments behind the line.

NO MUSTER THIS FALL.

Gen. Tillotson Announces That Vt. Home Guard Will Not Assemble.

Montpelner, Sept. 26.—Adj.-Gen. Lee S. Tillotson announced this morning that there will be no muster of the Vermont volunteer militia of the home guard this year. One of the reasons mentioned for giving up this idea is the lateness of the season. An October camp in this section of the country would bring too much cold weather for comfort, it is thought. Also, some of the companies have not yet filled up their ranks, which would tend to defer the camp opening. It is estimated that the cost of a muster would be in the vicinity of $15,000, an amount which, it is said Gov. Graham thinks could be spent to better advantage elsewhere just at this time.

FURTHER DECREASE IN THE WEEK'S SINKINGS

U-Boats Sink 13 British Ships over and 2 under 1,600-Tons Each.

London, Sept. 26.—Thirteen British merchantmen of 1,600 tons and over and two vessels of less than 1,600 were sunk by mines or submarines last week, according to the weekly admiralty statement issued this evening. In the aggregate this is the smallest number of vessels sunk during any one week since Germany began her intensified submarine warfare last February.

Two fishing vessels also were sunk last week.

The smallest aggregate of vessels sunk in any previous week since the February undersea campaign was inaugurated by Germaany was 16—14 merchantmen of 1,600 tons and over and two of less than 1,600 tons. This was during the week ending August 12.

Last week the admiralty report showed 28 merchantmen sunk—eight of more than 1,600 tons and 20 of less tonnage.

BENNETT LEADS MITCHEL BY NINETY-FOUR VOTES

So Recount Returns Show at Early Early Hour This Morning.

New York, Sept. 27.—William M. Bennett, took the lead in the contest for the republican mayoralty nomination from Mayor Mitchel early this morning by a gain of 156 votes in the 17th assembly district which wiped out the apparent majority recorded for the mayor in the primaary election last week. Mr. Bennett is now 94 votes ahead.

FIVE WOMEN CLAIM HIM.

Rochester, N. Y., Sept. 26.—An indictment for bigamy was returned to-day by the grand jury against Lucien D'Hilly, whom five women claim as husband and whose pose as a member of the Lafayette escadrille led to investigation by the Aero Club of America at the instance of the French government.

HAPPENINGS IN VT.; NEWS BY COUNTIES

ADDISON GOUNTY

MIDDLEBURY.

Extensive alterations and improvements are being made on the approaches to the bridge over the East Middlebury river near the town poor farm, where several serious automobile accidents have occurred. It is hoped that the changes will render such accidents much less likely to occure in the future.—Mr. and Mrs. William C. Cline and the Misses Dorothy and Julia Cline, who have spent the summer in and around Middlebury, returned to their home in Somerville, Mass., Friday night.—Lewis Dumas, who started Thursday on a three weeks' visit in Greenfield, Mass., and Providence, R. I., became ill on the train before reaching Greenfield and after getting there turned about and came back to town, reaching here Saturday afternoon. —Miss Mary C. Dean, who has been engaged for several years in teacher-training work at the high school in Chester, has been engaged for the same work in the Middlebury high school. She has already arrived in town to take up her duties.—Mrs. William Stowe, who has been visiting in town and in Ripton for a few days, has returned to Harding. Her husband will remain for a while longer. — Burnard Burns, who has been here for a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas F. Burns, after having spent the summer in hospital work at Washington, started Sunday night on his return to Georgetown, D. C., to take up his final year's work in the medical department of Georgetown University.—Charles E. Youtt, his daughter, Mrs. E. E. Turner, and grandson, Leon Turner, have returned from Rochester, where they were called by the death of his sister, Mrs. Jane Downer, wife of the late Emulus Downer, who had made her home there for a number of years. She was 80 years of age and is survived by two sons, Eugene Downer, with whom she lived, and Harry Downer of New Hampshire. The funeral was held in the Congregational Church of that village Friday afternoon at two o'clock. Burial was in the family lot in the Rochester cemetery.—Mr. and Mrs. George Champagne have returned from Burlington, where they were called by the death of Mrs. F. E. Demeritt, an aunt of Mrs. Champagne.—Miss Lula Liberty has returned from a several weeks' stay in Boston and other cities in that vicinity.—The Rev. George W. Peck, Jr., pastor of the First Baptist Church of Rutland, conducted the union services at the Baptist Church in this village Sunday evening. There was a large congregation present to hear him.—Miss Wilma Hebert has returned from Brandon, where she has been for a few days.—Mrs. C. A. Lang and Mrs. R. F. Bliss of Montpelier and Mrs. Harriet Willard of Burlington, who have been spending a few days at the home of Prof. and Mrs. L. J. Hathaway, have returned, going by automobile by the way of the Adirondacks and Paul Smith's. They were accompanied on the trip by Mrs. Hathaway, who will spend a week in Montpelier.—Prof. Raymond McFarland has returned from a short stay in Vergennes.—Miss Esther Danyeau has gone to Vergennes.—Henry D. Fearing, a retired business man, and widely known for his active interest in education and philanthropy, died Friday afternoon at his home in Amherst, Mass., after a brief illness. The news comes as a shock to a large circle of persons in this vicinity who are acquainted with his wife, formerly Miss Dora Bowles, of a family well known in Weybridge and Middlebury. Mr. Fearing's funeral took place in Amherst Monday afternoon.—Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Sears went to Burlington Sunday to accompany his wife to the Fanny Allen hospital to undergo treatment.—Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Carron and George Bullock have gone to Rutland, called there by the death of a relative.—E. R. Yates has his laundry building nearly completed and he expects to get moved into it this week.—Henry C. Walker and sister, Miss Lottie Walker, of Brandon, who have been in town for a few days, visiting friends, have returned to their homes.

Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland Moore and young child were run into by an automobile driven and owned by Lewis Muller of Cornwall Sunday afternoon about two miles east of this village, near the Hartwell Danyue place. Mr. and Mrs. Moore and child were thrown from their vehicle and were more or less cut up and bruised. Their wagon was nearly a wreck. The horse ran a short distance dragging Mr. Moore. . The automobile escaped with only a few scratches.—Mr. and Mrs. Carl O. Frost and daughter have returned from an automobile trip over the Mohawk Trail. —Word has been received of the death of Mrs. Leon Wiley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Smith, at her home in South Londonderry.—Street Commissioner James McGlinchey and a gang of men are patching the macadam roads abiut town which have become very bady and full of holes.—Monday, market day, eggs brought 42 to 46 cents and butter 30 to 34.—Chief of Police George H. Chaffee left Sunday night for Boston, where he will be for several days.—Professor Morgan, who has been in town for a few days, shipping his furniture to New York, has returned to that city, where he has a position.—David Heighter has returned from Burlington, where he has been on a business trip.—Samuel J. Bowles has gone to Amherst, Mass., called by the death of Henry D. Fearing, who died very suddenly Friday.—Wilma Hebert has returned from Brandon.—Street Commissioner John McGlinchey has returned from Lowell, Mass., where they spent two weeks. They made the trip by automobile.

While he was driving home from this village to Bridport Monday afternoon Amos Delphia met with a serious accident. The horses in some way became frightened and ran furiously, finally tipping over the wagon and throwing the driver out. He struck on his head and was rendered unconscious. Three ribs were broken and he was otherwise considerably injured. Delphia was taken into the residence of C. E. Harris nearby and Drs. P. L. Dorey and S. S. Eddy were summoned from this village. Later he was able to be taken to his home, but his injuries are of a severe nature.—Mr. and Mrs. Allen Tracy have purchased the so-called Lavonche house with two acres of land on the north side of Chipman's hill and have already taken possession.—The banns of marriage were published Sunday morning at St. Mary's Church between Dennis McHugh and Miss Mary Keefe of Albany, N. Y., formerly, for a short time, a resident of Middlebury. —Richard Adams and Robert Williams of Rutland are here for a few days.—Miss Carmine Walker has returned to Ludlow after some time here with friends.—Three Ripton young men the other discovered a honey tree from which they extracted 75 pounds of number one honey.—George Steele went Tuesday to Bridgeport, Conn., where he has taken a slating contract, which will occupy his time for several weeks.—George R. Hall and John Frisbie of Ferrisburg are visiting in town.—Ralph Belden of New Haven is in town for two weeks.—Charles W. Howard of Bridport died at his home in that town Tuesday morning after an illness of more than a year with cancer of the stomach and Bright's disease at the age of 61 years. Mr. Howard has been for 33 years a mail contractor between Middlebury and Bridport and previous to his illness had driven one trip a day between the two towns for nearly all of that time. Mr. Howard was never married. He is survived by only one sister, who lives across the lake in New York State.—Joseph Calhoun, of the Calhoun store, who has been confined to the house for a few days, is slowly recovering and is able to be about the house.—Lucius Buttolph and family have moved from the Brown house on South Main street to the home of his mother, Mrs. J. E. Buttolph. His mother has gone to Brattleboro, where she will visit her sister-in-law, Mrs. Hamilton, for a couple of weeks. She will then go to Fitchburg, Mass., to visit her daughter, Mrs. Williams, for another two weeks. She will spend the winter at Twin Falls, Idaho, with another daughter, Mrs. Eldredge.—Joseph Forest of Weybridge street, an employ of Middlebury College, while at work at one of their farms in the east part of the town Monday afternoon, had one toe nearly cut off while in the act of using an ax. Another toe was badly cut. He was taken to the office of Dr. S. S. Eddy, who was assisted by his father, Dr. M. H. Eddy. It required several stitches to replace the toe, which they think they can save. He was then taken to his home. It will be several weeks before he will be able to be about again.—Miss Belle Prieur, young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Prieur of Salisbury, was taken to the Mary Fletcher hospital at Burlington Monday, where she underwent an operation for appendicitis. It was a very serious case, but she is doing as well as could be expected. She was accompanied to the institution by her mother, sister and brother.—Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hebert have gone to Albany, N. Y., called by the serious illness of their daughter, Mrs. Montgomery—The regular weekly meeting of the Middlebury Suffrage Study club to do Red Cross work for the suffrage Red Cross fund will meet with Mrs. Bonney Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Members and friends are cordially invited to come with their work and bring 10 cents for the Red Cross fund.—Edward Bruya, who has been confined for some time, after an operation at the Fanny Allen hospital, has so far recovered that he is able to be down town a little each day.—Mrs. Aaron J. Piper of Weybridge street is making extensive improvements about her home on Mill street.

VERGENNES.

The first hard frost of the season was felt here Sunday night. Some damage was done to gardens, but corn apparently suffered no damage.—Mr. and Mrs. John Francis Legg and son, Robert, of Worcester, Mass., on an automobile trip through Eew England, spent the week-end with his uncle, N. J. Renaud. They left Monday on their return accompanied by Miss Edith Renaud, who will be their guests for a few days.—Mrs. Philip Tucker left Sunday night for New York city, where she will visit her uncle and aunt, Dr. and Mrs. Garmony.—Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Goodrich and their guests, Alba Goodrich, Miss Addie Rhoades and Olin W. Marsh made an automobile trip Sunday to Montpelier and visited Frederick Goodrich.—The trustees of the Bixby Memorial Free library met Saturday afternoon and appointed a soliciting committee for the war fund to build and maintain libraries in all camps and cantonments. The committee is as follows: Miss Adella Ingham, chairman; Mrs. W. A. Dalrymple, Miss Alice Hawkins, Mrs. Charles M. Grandey, Miss Mary Alden, Miss Hattie Cormia. The committee will canvass the town during this week. The slogan of the campaign is "A million dollars for one million books for one million soldiers."—Mrs. Elizabeth B. Booth and grandson, William Booth Bunn, who have been spending the summer at the Booth cottage at the lake, left Monday for their home in Richmond Hill, N. Y.—News has been received of the death of Fred Parsons, resulting from injuries received when hit by an overhead bridge at Worcester, Mass., September 9. He was a former inmate of the State Industrial school, where he was placed while very young by his mother. He was a boy of good habits, about 18 years of age, and left the school about two years ago. Burial was in Worcester.—Mrs. William H. Flagg is ill.—Mrs. Robert W. McCuen left Sunday evening for Charlotte, N. C., which is near Camp Greene, where her husband, Lieutenant McCuen, is stationed. On her journey Mrs. McCuen will make short stops at New York and Washington.—Alba Goodrich and Miss Addie Rhoades of Chester are visiting his brother, R. D. Goodrich.—A son was born Sunday to Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Renaud of St. Albans. Mr. Renaud is the son of N. J. Renaud of this place.—The Ladies' Aid society of the Vergennes Methodist Church will meet Friday afternoon with Mrs. Ezra M. Bail. —A. H. Godette has rented the upper room in the A. B. Taber block on Greene street and will move his barber and watch repair shop there this week.—William Dyer and family of Salisbury spent Sunday with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Taber.—Midshipman Thomas S. Thorne, who has been spending his vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George R. Thorne, has returned to the U. S. Naval Academy at Annapolis, Md.—James C. Ryan of Hyde Manor spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hudson. —Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sweet, Miss Myrle Sweet and Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Jackman of Lincoln, Miss Mabel Bostwick of New Haven, Fred Bostwick of Riverside, Cuba, Julius Hoyt of Waltham and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Yott of Ferrisburg were guests of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Bostwick Sunday.—Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Renaud, Miss Edith Renaud and guests, Mr. and Mrs. John Francis Legg and son, Robert, went on an automobile ride Sunday to St. Albans and visited Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Renaud.—Mrs. Sarah E. Dyer has returned to Salisbury after a visit to her sister, Mrs. Arthur Taber.

Banns of marriage have been published at St. Peter's Church for Beatrice M., daughter of Capt. and Mrs. Mitchell H. Daniels and Lieutenant George Walter Casey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick J. Casey, all of Vergennes The marriage will take place October 1. —At a recent meeting of the Busy Bees of the Ferrisburg Congregational Church it was voted to begin bi-weekly sociables on October 5 and continue them every two weeks through the winter, with a watch-night sociable included.—The Rev. William Laughton is attending the annual meeting of the Vermont Baptist State convention at Richford.—Eugene Devoid is suffering from a badly lacerated hand, the result

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687,000 MEN ARE NOT SUFFICIENT

Evident Now That More Will Be Required to Perfect Army Plans.

PERHAPS ANOTHER CALL.

Guard and Special Service Forces Brought to Strength Will Leave Deficiency in National Army.

Washington, Sept. 26.—There is little doubt now that a large deficiency of men will be shown when the first increment of the national army of 687,000 men has been mobilized.

Seventeen National Guard divisions must be brought up to war strength and several special service forces organized out of this reservoir, so the number of drafted men remaining at the cantonments hardly will be sufficient to organize the sixteen national army divisions at a full strength basis. Whether incomplete divisions will be formed or whether a call for more men will be issued has not been indicated.

Secretary Baker said to-day that definite figures as to the number of national army men it would be necessary to transfer to the National Guard were not available. A dual process of organization at the guard encampments serves to delay complete reports. Not only are these divisions being mobilized for the first time, but in the midst of that mobilization the whole fabric of the infantry army is being reorganized on the new trench warfare plan.

The fighting strength of the new division is now fixed at 27,500 men. The 17 guard divisions on that basis will have a total strength of 437,500 men.

The guard probably brought into the federal service a total of not more than 300,000 men possibly less. It will take therefore at least 137,000 national army men to fill up the guard divisions. Another 100,000 of the national army will go to the air service and certainly as many more to other special services that would leave not more than 250,000 men to form the 16 national army divisions which should have an aggregate war strength of 433,000.

Secretary Baker pointed out to-day some of the difficulties that attend the reorganization of the National Guard for war purposes. While the 16 division plan for the guard since extended to 17 with the organization of the 42nd, or "rainbow" division, is an old one, the whole fabric of the divisions has been changed. With the adoption of the European regimental and company standards, every guard regiment, which was to be included in a division had to be expanded. Regiments and parts of regiments are being consolidated to furnish the 3,600 men regimental units now desired.

In making these consolidations, the department is attempting to keep the forces as much localized as possible. The same practice will be followed in assigning men from the National army to National Guard units. Wherever practical National army men will go to regiments from their own States, in line with the spirit of the war army bill which lays stress on localization of regiments. There are many cases, however, where the practice will have to be abandoned to meet military necessities.

The guard consolidation has brought on the department a new source of trouble. Numerous colonels and regimental staffs of the guard are certain to be left without commands, since the number of regiments has been reduced. This has already proven a fruitful source of protest from State officials. The policy of the department, it is said, will be to find places for such guard officers in other forces as far as possible and desirable.

UNITARIANS REPUDIATE PACIFIST RESOLUTION

Then Carry Ex-Pres. Taft's Resolution Approving Pres. Wilson.

Montreal, Sept. 26.—The general conference of Unitarian and other Christian churches, at its 27th annual session here to-day, repudiated by an overwhelming vote a "pacifist" resolution concerning the entrance of the United States into the war and followed the leadership of former President William H. Taft in adopting a resolution approving President Wilson's action and declaring that the "war must be carried to a successful issue." Mr. Taft's resolution, which was carried by a vote of 236 to 9, was adopted after a spirited controversy.

Mr. Taft, who is president of the conference, precipitated the issue after the Rev. Haynes Holmes of New York city, as chairman of the conference council, has presented a report, asserting that "the majority Unitarians accept the conflict as an ugly piece of business which must be done," and urging "full, free and fair statements of all points of view on this momentous event."

DOCTOR WOULD LEGALIZE DEATH FOR THE INFIRM

Chicago, Sept. 25.—Legalized enthanasia, enlargement of Dr. Osler's theory, was urged at the sixth annual convention of the American Association of Progressive Medicine, which opened yesterday.

Dr. W. A. Guild of Des Moines made the plea for the establishment of federal or State commissions which shall have power to make legal the administering of an easy death to the aged, infirm or suffering, for whom there is no remedy and who desire death and where no responsible person objects.

"There are 200,000 persons in the United States praying for death. The humanitarian who begs the policeman to shoot the horse lying on the street suffering with a brokenleg forces life on to these people. What is humane for the horse is humane for the human being," said Dr. Guild.

NORWICH HAS NEW COMMANDANT.

Captain George L. Byroade, U. S. A., retired, has taken up his duties as professor of military science and tactics and commandant at Norwich University. Captain Byroade worked up through the ranks to his second lieutenant's commission. He was unable to enter West Point and took the road of the regular enlistment to win his commission. He and President Reeves of Norwich were in the same training class at Fort Leavenworth, received their commissions at the same time, and have kept up their friendship ever since. Captain Byroade is deeply interested in athletics, and has played on football, baseball, basketball and track teams.