

PREPARING FOR CONSCRIPTION

**Registrars for Each Voting Precinct
in the County Have Been
Selected.**

A. I. Monson, sheriff of Griggs county, H. S. Rearick, county auditor, and Doctors J. R. Truscott of Binford, C. L. Brimi of Cooperstown and R. D. Benson of Hannaford, county physicians, compose the Griggs county registration board for the army bill draft registration to be held throughout the United States on June fifth, which falls on Tuesday. They held a meeting Tuesday at Cooperstown, after Sheriff Monson had received the following message from Governor Frazier:

"Tuesday, June 5th, 1917, has been designated as registration day. You are to complete your county organization for registration immediately by notifying the county auditor and county physicians to act with you as county registration board and you must appoint a suitable person to act as registrar in each voting precinct in your county. Paragraph 25 of the final draft of regulations requires you to report to me on the sixth day after the president's proclamation, which will be May 24, the state of the supply of blanks and the fact that registrars have been appointed. It is desirable that all information concerning registration be given the widest possible publicity so that all understand.

Signed:

Lynn J. Frazier.

The following explanatory letter to Sheriff Monson gives some information which will be of value to those who are to register:

May, 18, 1917.

Mr. A. I. Monson, Sheriff,

Griggs Co., Cooperstown, N. D.
Dear Sir:-

The sheriff, county auditor and county physician will constitute the County Registration Board of which the sheriff will be chairman. It will be the duty of this board to appoint a registrar in each voting precinct in the county, and to see that proper places are provided in which to hold the registration.

The War Department has ordered a change in the regulations for the registration of the sick and of persons who expect to be absent from their home counties on Registration Day. The tentative regulations furnished you prescribed that such persons report to the county clerks (we hold this to mean county auditors) on the sixth day after the President's proclamation for instructions as to how they may register. (See paragraphs thirty-one and sixty-one)

Since the local authorities now have cards there is no reason why such persons should wait until the sixth day, and the President's proclamation will direct them to report at once. You are directed to furnish registration cards, certificates, and placards of instructions to your county auditor and instruct him to be prepared to register such persons immediately after the publication of the President's proclamation.

This requires that you are at once to direct the auditor's attention to paragraphs thirty-one and sixty-one of the tentative regulations which you have received. Kindly give this your immediate attention. Also give all the publicity you can in regard to the registration so that all will understand.

It is important that every man from the ages of twenty-one to thirty, both inclusive, shall register. You have the authority to ask for assistance from any county, city or township official or of any citizen. I am confident that every loyal citizen of North Dakota is willing to co-operate in making Registration Day a success, and that they will show their patriotism by giving every assistance possible.

The Government does not want the people to feel that this is a forced draft, but that it is the fairest method that could be devised of raising an army and apportioning the number of men from each state accord-

ing to its population.

Wishing you success, I am,

Yours truly,

Lynn J. Frazier.

Every man in the county of Griggs on June 5th, whether he be a resident of this county, state, nation, or a foreigner, visiting here, on business, or here for any cause at all, if he be between the ages of 21 and 30 years inclusive, (Meaning if you have passed your 21st birthday or have not yet passed your 31st birthday) must register at the voting place closest to where you are stopping. If you are German, Greek, Italian, West Indian, Slav, Hungarian, Belgian, Pole, Lithuanian, Swedish, Norwegian, Hollander, Irish, English, Canadian or in fact, a citizen of any country, you must register. The hobo and the millionaire, the business man and the laborer, the railroad president and the section hand, no matter what your occupation, if you are between the ages mentioned above, must register. Registration cards may be secured from your local registrar and should be sent to your home address before June 5th.

The county registration board, Tuesday, appointed a registrar for each voting precinct, as follows:

Binford, H. B. Hanson.
Addie, Oscar L. Olson.
Willow, Oscar Rorvig.
Bryan, J. D. Johnson.
Rosendal, J. D. Barclay.
Clearfield, T. O. Ethen.
Kingsley, Albert Goplen.
Mable, John Byington.
Tyrol, W. H. Sansburn.
Broadview, J. J. Hagness.
Sverdrup, M. A. Ueland.
Washburn, J. W. Dyson.
Romness, Casper Overby.
Lenora, S. K. Moen.
Greenfield, C. A. Nelson.
Ball Hill, Omund Soma.
Cooperstown twp, W. J. Houghton.
Pilot Mound, Bert Parsons.
Bartley, Wm. Margach.
Helena, C. P. Anderson.
Dover, J. L. Miklethun.
Hannaford, B. M. Lunde.
Cooperstown, Basil Edmondson.

There is to be a severe penalty for those who fail to register as demanded in the president's proclamation. The government is seeking to make the law operative in such a way to not make the draft a forced draft, but merely a fair selection of men from among the population of the country. It is understood that those who fail to register will be given either one year in the penitentiary, or will be forced to go to war at once and will have to serve an extra year in the army.

Each man who registers will be given a registration certificate which is a small blue card, with the seal of the government thereon. Each man who is registered will carry this card with him at all times, so that he can prove to the officers that he has been registered.

The cards read as follows:

To whom it may concern, greetings:
These presents, attest,

No. . . .

(This number must correspond with that on registration card)

That in accordance with the proclamation of the President of the United States and in compliance with the law,

(Name), (City or Postoffice,) (Precinct), County of Griggs, State of North Dakota, has submitted himself to registration and has been by me duly registered on this 5th day of June, 1917.

Signed _____

(Registrar)

Better Acquaintance Picnic.

The Griggs County Livestock Breeders' Association are in charge of the arrangements for a Better Acquaintance Picnic to be held June 1, at which livestock will be the chief subject for discussion. Mr. Chamberlain and other speakers will be present and among the subjects treated will be More and Better Live Stock, More Alfalfa and Silos, Better Pastures, Better Marketing, Better Rural Schools, Churches, Homes and Roads. The Co-operation of everybody is asked to make this picnic of unusual interest. Come and let us get better acquainted. Bring the wife and young folks.

This picnic and get-together meeting will be held in Cooperstown and the court house will be used for the lectures, and various farms about the city will be visited.