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## GENERAL ENROLLMENT TOWN OF ANDOVER

Following is a List of Those Applying With the Federal Description-Enrollment From this Town; 137 in All.

- Precinct No. 1.
- Lee Chapman
  - Myers
  - Davis Ingraham
  - Patrick McGinnis
  - M. Ray
  - Edward Farley
  - Hahn
  - Albert Horton
  - Lyman Burns
  - W. L. Brundage
  - Works
  - Elon Bonsteel Arnoys
  - Charles Lever
  - Kemp
  - Ambrose Farley
  - Hugh Menter
  - Becker
  - Gleason
  - Rhodes
  - Clifford Howland
  - Robert Baker
  - Swarts Snyder
  - Wallace Richardson
  - Adelbert Wheeler
  - Leslie Bloss
  - Gerald Hammond
  - Martin Courtney
  - Snyder Boyd
  - Myers
  - Baker
  - Smith Brainard
  - Walker Perry
  - Britton Gee
  - Gill, Jr.
  - Ligouri Lynch
  - Oliver Snyder
  - Andrew Perry
  - Clifford Williams
  - Anson Rowland
  - Henry Dodge
  - Joseph Driscoll
  - Dee Storms
  - Henry Truelove
  - Walter Cummings
  - Morris Hammond
  - Samuel Dodge
  - William Perry
  - Stephens Cheesman
  - Harry Chapman
  - Scott
  - F. Nobles
  - Michael Walsh
  - Edmund Temple
  - Charles Briggs
  - Michael Lynch
  - Walter Scott
  - Victor Gill
  - Leonard Kemp
  - Henry Farley
  - Joseph Hammond
  - William Snyder
  - Rose
- Precinct No. 2.
- Leo Lynch
  - Levi Dodge
  - E. Church
  - Edward Dean
  - Engene Holmes
  - Jay Myers
  - Francis Cocoman
  - Studer
  - Richard Jones
  - Julius Nevil
  - J. Casey
  - DeRemer
  - E. Kemp
  - John Cocoman
  - Harold Baker
  - Edgene Perry
  - Jerome Schoonover
  - Coehran
  - Becker
  - Leo Horan
  - Enory Jenkins
  - Geo. Calhoun
  - Vincent Lynch
  - Daniel Dodge
  - Joseph Muleahy
  - Ray Gee
  - Watson Robinson
  - Carlton Coats
  - Yates Beeman
  - Anthony Dean
  - Lyman Mead
  - Harrison Burdick
  - Prentiss Wahl
  - Lawrence Lynch
  - Burrell Church
  - Jasper Rockwell
  - Hawkins
  - Morris Straight
  - Matison
  - Arthur Mathers

## DISTRICT ATTORNEY WARD DIES

Word comes to Andover of the death of District Attorney James T. Ward, at Buffalo, Thursday morning. Mr. Ward had many warm friends in Andover. He was among the speakers at our Flag Raising celebration but a few weeks since.

## I. O. O. F. OBSERVE THEIR MEMORIAL DAY

Andover Odd Fellows and Rebekah Lodges Observed their Annual Memorial Day Last Sunday.

The members of Andover Lodge No. 786 I. O. O. F., and Rebekah Lodge 303 observed their annual Memorial Day last Sunday afternoon and evening. Both fraternities were well represented and presented a fine appearance as they slowly wended their way up Main Street to Hillside Cemetery. The ceremony in the I. O. O. F. Hall began at 2:30 and consisted entirely of the ritualistic ceremony.

Canton Loyal of Hornell had a large delegation present to assist in the parade, and the Andover I. O. O. F. Band furnished the music. The line up of the parade was as follows: The American Flag, carried by Roy Engle. Andover I. O. O. F. Band. Canton Loyal of Hornell. Officers and Past Grands of Andover Lodge. Members of Andover Lodge. Officers and Past Grands of Andover Rebekah Lodge. Members of Andover Rebekah Lodge. The beautiful ceremony of decorating the graves of both the Odd Fellow and Rebekah Lodge members was most impressive. Numerous citizens besides the lodge members were present. In the parade there were nearly one hundred Odd Fellows in line. After the ceremonies at the cemetery were finished the line of march was reformed and returned to the lodge room, where acting chaplain T. J. Gilbert delivered the impressive charge. Ice cream and cake was served to all who wished at 5 o'clock. In the evening the Odd Fellows and Rebekahs attended the Presbyterian Church in bodies and listened to a very able address by Pastor H. B. Williams. Thus ended a very impressive day which will long be remembered by the local fraternity.

- Mark Kemp
- Frank Henry Horan
- Leo Wm. Dugan
- Geo. E. Jean
- James Thair Maxson
- John George Karcenas
- Isaac Martin Tuller
- Benjamin Harrison Hosmer
- Earle H. Howe
- Joseph Lucian Padden
- Joseph Stanley
- Clayton Floyd Mead
- William Henry Barroll
- Merritt Depew
- Carl Oscar Gustofsen
- Sloat Trayer Hamlin
- Daniel H. Muleahy
- Herman Joseph Dean
- Norman Benjamin Hollowell
- Sidney Frank Kaples
- Lawrence Booth Teribury
- Paul Llewellyn Blunk
- Carroll Roy Conklin
- Earl Carpenter Bassett
- Claire Coleman Baekus
- Eugene Henry J. Eggert
- Edward James Padden
- Leo Melvin James
- John L. Gortander
- Floyd Robert Christ
- Frank Henry Graves
- Raymond Smith Darling
- Howard Albert Inskip
- Frank R. Robbins

## FACTS CONCERNING OUR ISLAND PEOPLE

A Kindly Race Given to Politeness. A Perfect Climate and a Splendid Winter Resort. No. 6.

What are the people like in the Virgin Islands? To begin with they are the most polite people on earth. They are peaceable, law abiding citizens. Their language is English and among the common people the accent is English and Scotch, according to locality. The population is made up of English, Scotch, Irish, Dutch, Danish and African. A very large percentage of the population are colored. The manners, customs and language reminds me very much of Jamaica.

**A Policeman's Paradise**  
On arriving at St. Thomas the first thing I noticed was the American flag floating over the barracks. Next the American uniform. The Marines were doing the police duty. When the Danish flag came down and the American flag was hoisted the task of keeping order was transferred automatically from the Danish gendarm to the American Marine. It was an easy task. These Marines fresh from the turmoil and insurrection in Santo Domingo found an easy task awaiting them. They would have had nothing to do whatever were it not for an occasional drunken sailor from off the boats in the harbor.

**Improvements Needed**  
I found a splendid hotel in St. Thomas, in fact two. Rates reasonable. After paying Porto Rico prices I felt like stopping on indefinitely just for the novelty of enjoying reasonable rates. Under the Danish government St. Thomas was long a free port and even at the last the tariff rate was very low. This accounts for the reduced prices which I found on everything. Under American rule and with a war on our hands I am afraid the people are to suffer a rude awakening. In this however, there will be some compensation. The Virgin Islands were a forgotten part of the world commercially. I believe that under our dominion they will awaken. Probably this will be delayed on account of the war, just as all projects at home will suffer; but after the war things will brighten. For instance in the whole islands there is but one town, St. Thomas (Charlotte Amalie) lighted by electricity. There isn't a sewage system on any of the islands. They have no modern improvements of any kind. On the island of St. Croix I saw several automobiles but not one in St. Thomas. The islands will come in for a good cleaning up, improvements galore, schools, intensive farming, telephone systems and possibly electric railways. The people are so kindly that their hearts will need no cleaning but they can be improved a whole lot on the outside.

**Coming Winter Resort**  
The climate is perfect. The rainfall is very light. This hinders crop growth but on the other hand it makes a healthful place in which to live. Insect pests are not much in evidence. What I believe will happen in the future is that the American tourist will be the one best crop. There is no reason why we should not make of these islands the finest winter resort in the tropics. Especially since we own them. I have never been in the Bermudas, but from what I can learn of them the Virgin Islands have many advantages over them. The voyage from New York consuming four days, each day growing milder, the transit from furs to Palm Beaches enroute, the arrival in the beautiful harbor and the survey of the red tiled town nestling against the rugged mountains, all form a happy prelude and prepares one

for a pleasant sojourn. Then, on acquaintance to find the people so kindly and polite, and devoid of viciousness and ill-humor is a further recommendation.

There is no reason why the islands should not yield abundant rest and recreation. Cricket is the national game at present, but baseball will soon follow. There is room for golf; the fishing is excellent; and boating, motoring and mountain climbing will complete the outdoor exercises while the hotels of to-day are amply equipped with spacious ball rooms for indoor exercise.

**Mountain Climbing**  
I did a little mountain climbing on my own hook. Mountain climbing under a tropic sun is not without its drawbacks but by taking it slow I finally won to the top of a mountain back of St. Thomas and overlooking the city and harbor. It was a fine view. Standing on the summit I could look off to the north across the restless Atlantic. To the south, spread out at my feet like a map was the city and harbor. Every street was checkered off and the red tile roofs nestling among the palm trees gave just the desired touch of color. The blue Caribbean was as calm and peaceful as a mill pond and one or two becalmed sailing vessels with flapping sails were visible on the horizon like painted ships on a painted sea. Turning to the north I noted that the Atlantic was rough and shirred with the trade winds, which fanned us on the mountain top, but was cut off from the harbor below.

A delightful spot for a winter home, and a landscape ever new; was my mental verdict. I stood on the porch of a roofless house and was told that a hurricane had ruined the place last November. Many places were destroyed and vegetation and trees were torn and twisted in a frightful manner. The hurricane season is in the fall of the year, and after that no one need fear. While everybody refers to the hurricane of last November, and evidences of its destructiveness are on every hand it is a fact that only a few people were killed. The slimy manner in which the poorer classes are housed would lead one to wonder how they ever survive an kind of an ambitious storm.

The men of St. Thomas are mostly merchants and sea-faring men. Agriculture is neglected. In fact there is but little evidence of any attempt at cultivation. In St. John's the bay tree is cultivated and the bay rum industry is practically the only industry of the two islands. St. Thomas men are excellent sailors. Here we find the ancient art of stretching canvas still in practice. The men of St. Thomas can estimate the amount of wind in a single cloud down to the last pocketful. They can trim sails with the best of them and they know the world as only the deep sea sailor knows it. Sailing ships and handling cargo are two things well known in St. Thomas.

**LOU D. MacWETHY.**  
**ATTENTION!**  
Many persons have not yet enrolled in the Military Census and the time is growing short. The following is an extract from a letter received from Mr. Harry Keller, director of the census in Allegany County.  
"The situation is a serious one and it means that if the people do not enroll in the several districts that I will have to continue the taking of the enrollment after the 25th, visiting every town, issuing wholesale numbers of subpoenas with orders of arrest for all those unregistered. It simply means that each town in the county will have to pay this additional expense and perhaps in some cases certain persons pay the penalty required by law."  
Remember "all persons who have attained their sixteenth birthday and shall not have attained their fifty-first birthday on or before June 11th, 1917" should register.  
(Signed) Committee for Andover.

## VISIT CUBA REBEKAHS

Twenty-two members of Andover Rebekah Lodge No. 303 visited Angelina Rebekah Lodge of Cuba, Tuesday evening. The degree was conferred by the Cuba Lodge and refreshments were served. The Andover people came home with many words of praise for their sisters of the fraternity in Cuba, all enjoying their beautiful degree work and their hospitality.

Friendship and Belfast Lodges were also guests of the Cuba Rebekahs that evening.

## WAITING ORDERS FROM THE PRESIDENT

Washington Will Decide Upon Whom Naming of Exemption Boards Will Rest. Not Over 20 Per Cent Will Be Called.

After registration of men of military age comes the selective draft. It is expected that of Andover's total of 140 registered as between the ages of twenty-one and thirty years, inclusive, not more than twenty per cent will be called upon, after making due allowance for physical disability, dependents and peculiar circumstances of given cases to be passed upon by exemption boards yet to be appointed for the several precincts.

From a computation made by those who have given the matter some study, it is believed that of the nearly 10,000,000 registered thruout the United States not less than 2,000,000 will be available to respond to the first call for 500,000 men.

**Awaiting Official Orders**  
President Wilson hasn't yet issued official orders for the carrying out of the selective draft, and until he does, and boards are appointed to adjudicate upon claims for exemptions, we can only surmise. We don't know yet whether these boards will be appointed by the Governor or the President. The last communication received from Washington since June 5, when the registration of men of military age began, was a telegram instructing to hold the registration cards, both original and duplicates, until further orders.

United States District Attorney Stephen T. Lockwood, said he presumed the authorities at Washington were taking time to deliberate on the procedure, taking into consideration the heavy responsibilities that would rest upon exemption boards.  
**Expect President to Appoint**  
"I understand," said he, "that the President will appoint exemption boards and that the members will include a physician, a lawyer and a business man. The physician will pass upon the physical condition of the claimant; the business man will look at the case from a broad-minded point of view and endeavor to reach a conclusion as to whether a claimant ought to be drafted or not."

## GREETINGS FROM ANDOVER, ENGLAND

The Mayor of Our English Namesake Sends Cordial and Fraternal Greetings to Village President and All Inhabitants.

The following very timely and interesting greeting was received Monday; by Village President E. J. Atwood, from the Mayor of Andover, England.  
It is doubtful if another instance of like character is on record, and the good will and fraternal greeting expressed in the Mayor's letter will be highly appreciated by all Andover people.

Council Chamber,  
Town Hall,  
Andover, May 26, 1917.  
The Chief Citizen,  
Andover,  
New York State.  
Dear Sir:  
The Mayor of Andover sends to you and the inhabitants of your town fraternal greeting of the Burgesses of this ancient Borough, upon the entry of America into this war, to uphold the liberty and right of all free peoples as against military tyranny.  
I am,  
Yours faithfully,  
F. L. BINGHAM,  
Mayor.

I allowed to remain at home to take care of dependents or work at some industrial pursuit where he might be of valuable service to his country. The lawyer will be expected to bring his judicial mind to bear in deciding from the legal standpoint as between the other two. I don't know whether the members of these exemption boards are to receive compensation but I suppose they will.

"There is a general clause in the act to the effect that anyone feeling aggrieved at the decision of the exemption board may appeal to another board of review. The details of the plan have not yet been promulgated.

"How are the names to be drawn?" was asked.  
"I understand they will be drawn in the same manner as jurors are now drawn, by the wheel process. Those drawn must undergo rigid examination and pass sixty-five per cent, to be accepted. So many will be set aside for physical disability, dependents and peculiar circumstances. It is a mistake to suppose that because a man is married it necessarily follows that he is exempt from military service. If a married man has a wife and large family dependent upon him, that is another matter; but some married men are supported by their wives; others have no families dependent upon them for support."  
The local authorities are awaiting further instructions from Washington regarding the machinery for the execution of the selective draft.

**Last Call on Matches**

We will sell 2,000 boxes Ohio Blue Tip Matches at 5 cents a box. This figure is less today than wholesale price. There is a strong prospect that matches will soon retail at 8 or 10 cents a box. Load up on matches. It will pay you.

**C. W. WILLIAMS.**  
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