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Here's How Men of County Were Drawn in First Peacetime Draft

Names of Draftees Listed in The Order of Their Drawing

Following is a partial list of Manitowoc county draftees, published in the order in which they were drawn. The order in which the drawings were made will determine the order in which the draftee may be called for possible service. An explanation of the meaning of ORDER NUMBER is in an adjoining column. In this list published by the Herald-Times, the name of the draftee is used instead of the serial number.

Table with 2 columns: Order No. and Name. Lists draftees from George Bert Valebile to Edward Conrad Braun.

Table with 2 columns: Order No. and Name. Lists draftees from Walter Thos. Massman to William J. Kolarik.

Table with 2 columns: Order No. and Name. Lists draftees from Jack G. Holsen to Gilbert Fred Born.

YOUR ORDER NUMBER AND WHAT IT MEANS

First, you registered. Second, your cards were numbered by the local draft board. Third, your serial number was sent to Washington. Fourth, your serial number was placed in a big glass bowl. Fifth, your serial number was drawn from the bowl. (This is where your serial number stopped being of any importance.)

It is the ORDER in which your number was drawn from the bowl that counts from now on. The order in which the serial numbers were drawn determines the order in which the men holding that serial number in every local draft district will be called up for possible service. For instance: Serial number 158 was the first number drawn Tuesday noon. That is ORDER NUMBER ONE. All men in the nation who had been assigned serial number 158, were immediately designated as ORDER NUMBER ONE. In Manitowoc county, two men had serial number 158. They were George B. Valebile of 1317 Grand Avenue, Manitowoc, and Aelred J. LaFond of Two Rivers.

The next number drawn from the bowl was designated as ORDER NUMBER TWO. And so on down the line. The 500th number drawn from the bowl was designated as ORDER NUMBER 500. IT IS THE ORDER IN WHICH YOU WERE DRAWN THAT COUNTS. On these pages are lists of names of Manitowoc county men, and the ORDER in which they were drawn. There is no further reference to your serial number. From now on, it doesn't mean a thing. Your serial number has been translated into your name. IT IS THE ORDER IN WHICH YOU WERE DRAWN THAT COUNTS. If you are up near the top of the list, you will be called and classified sooner than if you are at the bottom of the list. IT IS THE ORDER IN WHICH YOU WERE DRAWN THAT COUNTS. After the Manitowoc county draft boards have been officially notified of its order number lists, it will begin sending out eight page questionnaires at the rate of 50 a day, and will continue sending them until half the registrants have received them. Registrants must return the questionnaires to their local draft boards within five days. On the basis of the Questionnaires, the boards will classify the draftees. Four classes are to be established, as follows: Class 1.—Available for service. Men in this class will be called for a year's training and only men in this class will be given physical examinations. Class 2.—Deferred because civilian activity is considered necessary. Class 3.—Deferred because of dependents. Class 4.—Deferred by law or deferred for physical, mental or moral unfitness. Officials estimate that approximately two-thirds of all registrants will be in the deferred class.

Draft Sidelights 158—The fateful draft serial number drawn first in the lottery at Washington Tuesday—was held by Chinese in the No. 1 draft board districts of the nation's two largest cities, New York and Chicago. In Chicago Eng Seung Hong, 27, waiter who had a wife and two children in Hong Kohn, China, held No. 158 in District No. 1 of the first ward. He said he wasn't sure he is a citizen. He was born in Canton, China, although his father was born in Chicago. In New York, it was Yuen Chongchan of 18 Pell street in Chinatown who held No. 158 in Draft Board District No. 1.

There are 6,175 draft areas in the nation. The largest area is one in Maryland, with a registration of 7,336. Each of the serial numbers drawn which was less than 2,627 represented 6,175 men. None of the 6,175 draft areas in the nation has a registration of less than 2,627. The first number drawn—158—was exactly 100 less than the first number drawn in the World War draft. All holders of 158 will be in the army's first call for 30,000 men to report November 18. Only those deferred because of dependents, essential employment of physical handicaps will not be put in uniform. Of the 1,700,000 men who will get questionnaires, it is estimated that 800,000 will be placed in class one—the class that can be considered for immediate drafting into the army for one year's training. To the men who will be called for service under the draft, President Roosevelt said: "You have the confidence, and the gratitude, and the love of your countrymen. We are all with you in the task which enlists the services of all Americans—the task of keeping the peace in this new world."

Laughing with pride because her fingers fumbled a bit in opening her well-used purse, a mother displayed with pride an inch-long blue capsule today. It had contained a number—158—held by her oldest child, Henry Robert Bell, 21, the first number called in America's draft. Mrs. Henry S. Bell, prominent in the American Legion auxiliary and the fireman's auxiliary, was there sitting half way back in the audience at Washington when the number was drawn. She said simply, "I'm very proud." Two members of the Green Bay Packer professional football team, Paul Kell, a tackle and Russ Letlow, a guard, had numbers drawn in the draft lottery. Both are married. Three of the first 20 numbers drawn in the draft lottery at Washington Tuesday affected Wisconsin areas. The highest number of registrants in any one Wisconsin draft area was 4,646, which meant that no numbers above that figure drawn in the lottery affected the state. The first two numbers drawn, 158 and 192, affected every state draft board area. The 19th serial number drawn in the lottery—105—became order No. 3 in Wisconsin. The men having numbers 158, 192 and 105 therefore will be the first to receive draft questionnaires in the state. Reika Mary Schwanke, Austin, Minnesota girl who registered for the draft, was the tenth person in that city to have her serial number drawn in the draft lottery Tuesday. Roy T. Anderson, draft board chairman, said she would be sent a questionnaire just like any other registrant whose number was drawn early. However, he added, he has been instructed by the Minnesota Selective Service Administration to classify her in Class 4F "when her questionnaire is filled out. Class 4F is for persons 'physically unfit for service.'" Secretary Stimson started a parade of left-handed capsule pickers Tuesday. Digging in from the port side, he took out a capsule and handed it to the president, who took it in his left hand. It was No. 158. Secretary Morgenthau was next. He put it in his left hand and took out 192. Attorney General Jackson was next. "I know he's right handed," whispered a newsmen. But, like the rest, Jackson stuck it in his left hand and took out number 8239. Secretary Knox took his position, put in his left hand and took out a number. Secretary Jones moved up to the bowl. "He's a right hander," said a sports writer, "I saw him throw out the first football to start the National Pro Football League season. But—like the rest, Jones put it in his left hand. And so it went right on down to the 15th man, Maj. Gen. John F. Wil-

No. 1 Men In County Draft



GEORGE B. VALEBILE AELRED J. LAFOND George Bert Valebile, Manitowoc, and Aelred J. LaFond, Two Rivers, drew serial No. 1 in Manitowoc's two draft districts today as Secretary of War Stimson drew registration No. 158 from the famed "gold-fish bowl." Valebile is from the first district and LaFond from the second.

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