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Draft Plans

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sent to the registrars for their scrutiny and supplies will also be passed out.

The registration card itself is comparatively simple.

It requires the following information:

1. Full name.
2. Age in years.
3. Permanent mail address.
4. Telephone number.
5. Employer's name.
6. Place of employment or business.
7. Place of birth.
8. Date of birth.
9. Name of country in which you hold citizenship.
10. Name of person who will always know your address.
11. Have you taken out first naturalization papers?
12. Relationship and address of person who will always know your address.

TWO DRAFT BOARDS.

Announcement was made Tuesday of the personnel of 341 local draft boards, recommended by Governor W. Lee O'Daniel.

Taylor county will have two draft boards, one for handling draft registrants in Abilene, the other to serve for other cities and communities in the county.

The Abilene board members are T. N. Carswell, Thomas E. Brownlee and A. L. O'Bar. Members of the Taylor county board are Fred Rucker, Ed Kendall and Clint Stewart, all of Abilene, Route 3.

Work of the draft boards will begin immediately after registration day, that time all men of 18 to 35 years of age will register.

It will be the duty of the draft boards to classify and select men to be trained in the army. Members of the board will serve without pay, as the registrars and their assistants are doing on registration day.

Home Guards

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ready for drilling when approval comes from the governor."

The applications asked the formation of five units of 74 men each, with a captain, first-lieutenant, and second-lieutenant to command each company.

"We asked for enough units to offer everyone interested a choice to enlist," Carswell said.

According to current rules and regulations governing home guard organizations, the companies composed of men from 18 to 64 years old will drill an hour and a half each week. Membership in the home guard will not affect eligibility for selective service.

At the present time the men will drill without arms or uniforms. They will furnish their own guns "to get the feel of military drilling."

"It will be purely a civic organization," Carswell said, "to replace the regular national guard when it leaves for training. At the same time the home guard will train men in military maneuvers and drill practice."

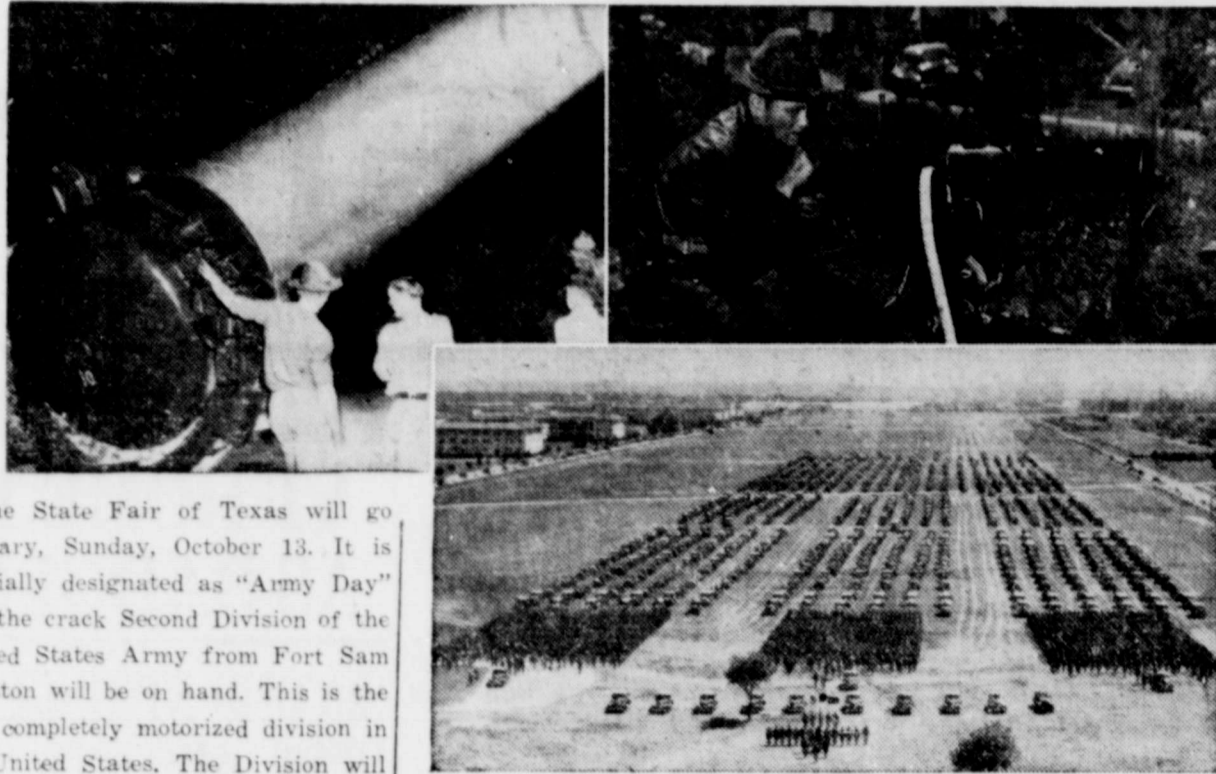
C. E. Jacobs

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opinionated but always fair and honorable in all his dealings, he had a wide circle of friends throughout this city and section who will miss "Uncle Charlie" all the more as the days go by, for he lived a very busy life and advancing age had not caused any slackening in his activities.

Survivors are his wife, the former Mrs. Mattie Gilmore; one son, Johnny Jacobs; three children by a former marriage: A. E. Jacobs of Lamesa, Mrs. G. W. Hall, Jr., Long Island, N. Y., and Mrs. W. R. Montgomery, Phoenix, Ariz.; eight grandchildren and three step-children, Mrs. Stella Gauden, Celeste, Mrs. R. N. Campbell, Merkel, and Roy Gilmore, Brownwood.

Just say you saw it in The Mail.

CRACK SECOND DIVISION TO BE SEEN AT STATE FAIR



The State Fair of Texas will go military, Sunday, October 13. It is officially designated as "Army Day" and the crack Second Division of the United States Army from Fort Sam Houston will be on hand. This is the only completely motorized division in the United States. The Division will stage a parade in columns of four, which also will include its equipment, from the Forest Avenue entrance through the grounds. The parade will

be a mile and a half long. The reviewing stand will be in front of the Hall of State and in it will be notables including army men and civilians.

The equipment will be placed throughout the grounds for public inspection. The Division is commanded by Major General Walter Krueger.

Raising Funds for Roosevelt Campaign

With the campaign for "a million Texas votes for Roosevelt in 1940" well under way, the Texas democrats have launched their state-wide finance drive to assist the nation-wide fight to return the president to office on Nov. 5. Myron G. Blalock, Texas Roosevelt campaign manager, has announced from headquarters at Austin.

Named as chairmen of the Taylor county finance committee are J. E. McKenzie and Walter Pope, both of Abilene, and as community chairman H. H. Toombs is actively at work raising funds in Merkel.

Named to assist Mr. Toombs on the committee are Mrs. C. P. Church, Mrs. Grover Gilbert, W. O. Boney and W. R. McCartney.

Hospital Notes.

Miss Mae Melton of Sweetwater, who entered Sadler Clinic Tuesday for treatment, was dismissed the following day.

Other patients dismissed during the week were Mrs. S. O. Patton, Mrs. Slat's Horton and the little son of

More Funds Needed For Cemetery Work

With a goal of \$75.00, estimated cost of cleaning up Rose Hill cemetery, a project sponsored by the Fortnightly Study club, cash receipts of \$37.10 had been reported by Mrs. Elma McFarland, committee chairman, up to Wednesday morning.

Other members of the committee from the senior study club are Mesdames W. S. J. Brown, Elsie Nash and Stanley King, with Mrs. Connor Robinson, Mrs. Johnny Cox and Miss Johnnie Sears also co-operating in raising subscriptions.

Owners of lots in Rose Hill are requested to work over their lots, if possible, before the general clean-up is started, as if those who keep their own lots have this attended to in advance of the clean-up the project will cost less.

Elliott Reports for Duty.

Dayton, Ohio, Oct. 10.—Capt. Elliott Roosevelt, son of the President, accompanied by his wife, arrived here Wednesday to report for duty at Wright Field in the Army Air Corps'

Local Volunteers Go to Firemen's Association

Next meeting of the Mid-Western Firemen's association will be held at Albany in April, it was decided at the semi-annual convention at Cisco on Thursday of last week.

One of the speakers at the convention was Olin Culberson, railroad commissioner-elect, who was on his way to Stamford to address the directors of the West-Central Oil and Gas association.

Chief John Mansfield of the Merkel Volunteers was accompanied by his wife and others from the local department attending the Cisco meeting were H. H. Windham, Parker Sharp, Ray Wilson, Herbert Dunn, Herman Carson, Leslie Palmer and Frank Breaux. Another Merkelite present was Homer Laney.

Corpus Base May Open Early.

Washington, Oct. 10.—Secretary Knox said Wednesday that the navy hoped to open its new air station at Corpus Christi a month in advance of the scheduled date of March 1.

SERVICE
to this Land of Democracy

Every man, woman, and child of this community and throughout our nation pays honor and respect to those men who will respond to the call to register on October 16 as provided in the Selective Training and Service Act of 1940.

Let us keep before us every hour of every day in the months ahead the thought that all young men engaged in national defense training are giving service in the cause of democracy — not only for themselves but for all of us. Let us pledge with them, and without reservation, our allegiance to the government of the United States for whatever program may be necessary to preserve the principles of our liberty and our individual rights as American Citizens.

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Sadler's Stable Wins Two Prizes at Show

Dr. W. T. Sadler's Palomino stable won second prize in the four-year-old gelding class and fifth in the two-year old stallion class at the second annual Palomino show at the West Texas Fair this week.

Winning entries were Chieftain in the former class and Chief Sandy in the latter class.

The entries of W. R. Potter, Roscoe banker, and Lane Hudson of Big Spring were named grand champions.

Ralph Russell Wins In Roping Finals

Ralph Russell, youngest son of Mrs. Selma Russell, won the calf roping event in the second go-round Tuesday at the West Texas Fair with a time of 14.1 seconds, and he also won finals Wednesday night with a time of 17 flat.

Ralph was riding a Palomino roping horse belonging to O. L. Harris of Knox City.

Markets Close Columbus Day.

New York, Oct. 10.—All domestic financial and commodity markets (except live stock) will be closed Saturday, Oct. 12 (Columbus day).

Probable production of peanuts in the United States for 1940 has been set at 1,521,705,000 pounds, 29 per cent above last year's production. In 1939 Texas produced 129,480,000 pounds, and estimates place the 1940 figure at 159,000,000.

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