failure of the names of Paul lius Butler, members of Hos-Unit No. 14, to appear in the on lists of this country, ht these Hinsdale young men inmsational publicity in the columns the Chicago Herald, Wednesday and chursday, and the reporter in not geting to the true facts in the case, The Butler boys in a false and minst position before the people of Hinsdale, giving strength to rumors and gossip that had been current for some time: evading the draft. Many substantial Hinsdale people, not conversant with the facts covering the enlistment of Paul and Julius Butler believed these rumors.

The Reporter has investigated the matter from the time Paul Butler sailed for Europe for the purpose of entering the American Ambulance serv-Ace to the last action of the local exchairman of the board.

Butler boys or any member of a hospital or ambulance unit was exempted eral Dickson, published in this issue, to the proper parties at Hinsdale, took place after registration day, but

cal exemption board unfortunately at lowed the proper course, first did not so construe the regulations, and on this ground Dr. Hench held that the Butler boys should register and claim exemption

Julius Butler completed his enlistment June 4th, and his registration should not have been question. How ever, on August 25th, he wrote the exemption board at Wheaton as follows: Exemption Board,

Wheaton, Illinois. Honorable Charles D. Chairman.

Dear Sir: I have your letter of the 22nd instant addressed to my father, F. Q. Butler, and beg to most respectfully submit the following statement:

I made application for service in the United States Army, Base Hospital Unit No. 14, in May, 1917. My final enlistment papers, physical exemption, oath, etc., were completed June 4th, prior to Registration Day, and they Central Department.

The whole question of whether the law and being regularly enlisted return from France—the place in the ion of the military authorities, and register. I. however, sought further nect with the American Ambulance the final decision from Adjutant Gen- advice on Registration Day, applying Service in France. This enlistment

cused from registration, being a part should not register. On June 7th I plied with the law and did his duty as of the United States Military Service again spoke to the Registration Clerk a citizen of draft age prior to regis-

About two weeks ago I was told that I should register and claim exemption. not to do so, and sent such word to Baer, room 357 Municipal building, our Local Board at Du Page County. who instructed him that as he had Yesterday I received Exemption his passport to France for hospital Blanks, which I will take up with my duty he should not register. commanding officer promptly upon his return to Chicago.

Clark, right before your board and all oth- to the American embassy for advice

planatory. I desire, of course, to do had asked to be reserved for him still whatever I should do in this matter and shall, as stated, see my commanding officer as soon as possible.

Paul's case, on its face, offers more complicated angles, according to the olal Agent Charles D. Frye in the Fedstand of the local exemption board prior to Adjutant General Dickson's are on file at the Headquarters of the decision. In the light of this latest order to Judge Clark and his asso-At that time I asked for instructions ciutes Paul Butler is today an enlistdenced by the letter of Judge Clark, regarding registration and was told ed man in the United States Military lius, sought no evasion of patriotic that this was not necessary. I rend Service, which he entered upon his duty the Doings publishes some of in the United States Army my under- hospital unit having been held open standing of it was that I should not for him in the event he failed to con-

where I reside, and was told that I evidence shows that Paul Butler com--the enlisted Reserve Corps. The lo- at Hinsdale, who told me I had fol- tration day. The law stipulated that men away from home should register with the city clerk of the town where they were. Paul reported to the city I again sought advice and was told clerk, New York, was referred to P.

> Upon his arrival in France Paul found that more American boys were The foregoing is a complete state- waiting for ambulance assignments ment of particulars. I desire to stand; than there were ambulances. He turned ers. I have not asked exemption as and was told to return to America and I am properly enlisted for the period enter the hospital work here, as he ly sought advice. had earlier intended. Upon his arri-Enclosed memorandum is self ex- vul in Chicago he found the place he open under Major McArthur.

When it was reported to the De partment of Justice that he had not registered, he appeared before Speeral building, who after an examination of his papers advised him that "all was alright and satisfactory,"

To conclusively show that Mr. Frank O. Butler and his sons, Paul and Juthe correspondence.

On August 22, Judge Charles D. Clark, chairman of the Local Board for Du Page county, replied to correspondence from Mr. Butler, which set forth the history of both his son's enlistments as follows:

Local Board for the County of Du Page, State of Illinois, Wheaton, Ill. piled ruling No. 7. Mr. Frank O. Butler, Hinsdale, Illinois.

"Replying to your letter of the 20th. handed me by Dr. Hench, I beg to say that I am not at all certain that your sons Julius W. Butler and Paul Butfer are in the "Military Service" as that term is used in Section "18-a" of the "Rules and Regulations," etc. (See page 27). I call your attention to the language upon the backs of tificate of Major MeArthur are not sufficient—they do not show when the

enlistments took place. If your sons have not registered, they should do so at once-that being) done, the matter of exemption can then be taken up: If they are in the "United States Military Service" the proper number of showing same is by forms 116 and 117 herewith enclosed Julius states that his final enlistment in duplicate.

Very truly yours, CHARLES D. CLARK,

Chairman. Replying to this Mr. Butler wrote Judge Clark on August 23d: The Exemption Board, Wheaton, Illinois.

Hon, Charles D. Clark, Chairman,

Dear Sir: I have your favor 22nd with enclosures and same will receive early attention. If any misstep has been I made it occurred most innocently. From the start the boys have both desired to do their patriotic duty and I with a card for that purpose. The Bulletin. believe this purpose has been faithfully prosecuted to the best of their abilities, and in keeping with careful-Respectfully, F. O. BUTLER.

On August 30 Judge Clark forwarded all the papers in the case to Adjutant General Dickson at Springfield for an authorative ruling, and received under date of September 20th the fol-

Hon. Charles D. Clark. Local Board Du Page County, Wheaton, Ill.

Dear Sir: If Julius W. Butler was in the service of the U. S. prior to June 5th, he was not required to register. certificate of Lewis L. McArthur, Major U. S. A. Director-in-chief Base Hospital Unit No. 14, to the effect that Julius W. Butler was a regularly enlist-

ed private is proof of enlistment. The enlisted Reserve Corps is a recognized part of the Military service of the U. S. See paragraph C. Com-

> Yours truly. F. S. DICKSON. Adjutant General.

Whereon Judge Clark communicated with Mr. Butler in a comprehensive letter ruling that Paul should regis- He said: ter and stating his confidence in the bonorable intent of the young man. Judge Clark's letter is as follows:

your son Julius was in the service of a conflict of opinion by those in au- roughly while the other does the work the U. S. prior to June 5th he was not chority. required to register, and further, that

In his leter of August 25th your son papers were completed on June 4th-

one day prior to registration day. It | PRUNE STREET PRIS was not therefore, necessary that he b

registered. With reference to your son Paul, the sitiation is that, although he had made application to enlist, his enlistment was not completed until August 1, 1917 subsequent to the registration date of June 5th, 1917.

hension and I would suggest that he been made about, probably, forty years now register and I am enclosing here- ago, says the Philadelphia Evening work in which he is engaged is included within the military service of the north side of Prune street and ended U. S. and he is therefore exempt from below Sixth and was in the nature of

this board has no hesitancy in saying contained many well known as well that it is fully satisfied of the good humble men who were unable to me fuith of each of your sons in their at- the demands of their creditors. R tempts to enlist in the U.S. military been deserved by either of them.

Respectfully yours Local Board for the County of Du Page

State of Illinois. CHARLES D. CLARK, Chairman Since receiving the above, Paul But ler has forwarded to the Board, his registration papers, exception that re quiring the signature of his command ing officer, Maj. McArthur, who still contends that the young man is not re-

quired to register. Paul Butler's Statement That Paul Butter sought to do bis patriotic duty honorably is shown by

"Both myself and Julius have uniformly sought to know and do our full duty under the case. I have never their methods to suit circumstances. "Referring to the matter of registra- objected to registration, had in fact tion of your sons Julius W. and Paul thought I should register but authorita-Butler, I beg to say: You, I under- tively told it was not the proper course stand, have received a copy of the let- under existing conditions. The point forms, and similar places where they ter of Adjutant General F. S. Dick-coming up again in August, I gave it will find crowds of pushed people and son to me herein, under date of the atmediate attention as the records un- have opportunity to escape if detected. 20th inst, wherein it is stated that if mistakably show, but found myself in One of the pair shoulders a victim

"The point was, 1st, does the law hemian. Arrests are frequent, but copthe enlisted Reserve Corps is a rec- clearly state that any class or classes victions rare, because the man capognized part of the military service of enlisted men shall not register? 2nd, tured seldom has the loot.

Was Julius or I included? "Enclosed correspondence shows re such places. The difference is that quest for authoritative statement of our they work in groups and choose times

Family Planned War Work family were seriously contemplating Last winter three dips worked a clever concerted war work, the father to fin- method in Chicago. Garbing themance the fitting out of an ambulance selves in evening clothes, they mingled unit, and the sons to enter the service. In fashionable crowds in big cafes, This is evident fre an letter Mr. Butler theater exits, and railway stations. wrote his sons April 7th from San One of the party was always hopeless

"Pear Paul and Julius

26th and acted upon."

situation, not that what has happened feet. With all their care, however, he is different than expected, but that it would stumble occasionally and fall has come and we are now actually up into group, of ladies and gentlemen.

ters carefully now. I want whatever before anyone discovered the lo we do to be most sensibly done and to count most along lines of our own efficiency. Will you not both write me your opinions? My own ideas are too HUMAN FACE ON CRAB'S BACK crude, for back of fundamental know ledge of requisites, possibilities, etc., to make any final suggestions, but it has occurred to me we could fit out and maintain an ambulance corps. Wont one of you call on Dr. Wilson? He, understand, has volunteered his professional services and would likely be: thing of this sort could be undertaken. I feel quite competent along certain lines which you understand. Let me hear from you both soon."

Fuel Value of Woods.

ple, ash, elm, locust, long-leaf pine and cherry have fairly high heat values, and only one cord of sensoned wood of those species is required to equal one ton of coal. Hickory, of the non- out to exterminate the pirates. resinous woods, has, the highest fuel value per unit volume of wood, and has other advantages. It burns evenly and, as housewives say, holds the heat. The oak comes next, followed by first of the crabs appeared. With adbeech, birch and maple.

Put Outside the Law.

The strangest punishment which still survives in Great Britain under modern law is that of "outlawry." About ten years ago a lawyer charged with forging a check was "outlawed" in the Glasgow high court. By this sentence the person of the accused is declared forfeit. He cannot hear testimony in a court, nor sue, nor defend an action. He cannot act on a jury, nor vote at an election, nor act as tutor or guardian to another person. If anyone robs him he has no redress.

in Philadelphia Juli When in onment for Debt Prevalled

The terms "Prune street prison" may be more readily understood by a read er if he shall simply bear in mind It was therefore proper that your that Prune street was once the name son Paul should be registered. He, of what is now Locust street, from however, labored under a misappre- Fourth to Sixth, the change having As to the prison, it existed on the

draft service. He should neverthless, an extension of the Walnut street pris claim this exemption, by himself ex- on at the southeast corner of Sixth and ecuting the forms 110 and 116 here- Walnut streets. At a time when imwith enclosed and by having executed prisonment for debt was a punishment by his commissioned officer, form 117, under the law of Pennsylvania, the Prune street prison was used chiefly I think this will dispose of any ques- for that purpose. In the latter part tion with reference to the status of of the eighteenth century and the earyour sons. I am pleased to state that ly part of the nineteenth, it sometime ert Morris was one of the prisoners service and no adverse criticism has for several years. During the prolonged period of his dispensation in trying to stave off the swarms of importunate

men to whom he owed money, he would sometimes speak or write of "Prune street" as if the jail loomed up before him like a thing of dread. While Morrls was there, William B. Wood, the eminent actor, whose long life was afterward associated with the first and the second Chestnut street theater, was one of his companions in misery.

### METHODS USED BY DIPS VARY

Pickpockets of the Higher Grade Work in Groups in Places Frequented by Prosperous People.

As a usual thing, pickpockets vary Only the low-grade dips work in pairs. These are the men who operate on street cars, elevated stations, platand makes a getaway, says the Bo-

The higher grade dips also work in status. This was received September when prosperous passengers will be in the majority. During the fashionable shopping hours and after the theater As early as April 7th the Butler at night are considered harvest times, ly drunk and the others, apparently acting the part of Samaritans, "I am considerably concerned to war bard-put trying to keep him on his "My feeling is we should weigh mar, apologized and taken the charge."

Queer Legend Is Attached to an Oddity of Nature Which Is Found In Japanese Waters.

A crab with a human face is one of the oddities to be found in Japanese waters. Not only that, but the face is clear on the hospital end. If some surprisingly like that of a Japanese warrior in the "old, unhappy, far-off so we could all work together, it steps, days of the past." This face is formed to me our efforts would count for most, by the strange figuration of the crab's crawling on the sand is to see what apparently is a human face moving across the beach.

According to Japanese history, the nation was beset by a plague of piracy Hickory, oak, beech, birch, hard ma- a few centuries ago, says the New York World. The coasts were ravaged vessels sunk and terror spread general ally by marauding sea rovers. Then the people organized a fleet and set great battle followed in which all of the freebooters were slain.

At this point legend steps in. It is said that not long after the battle the vancing years the crabs increased in numbers until they are quite common. And not only do they bear the face of a fierce old warrior, but it is strangely like that of a dead man who had been drowned. The superstitious among the natives say that the souls of the rates entered into the forms of

Learning and Formtting. The sad defect about the progress of the human race is that while are occupied in learning one

are almost always engaged in rorget-

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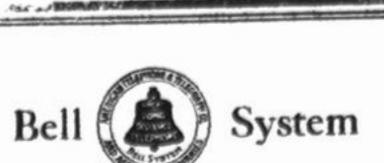
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