

REGISTER FIRST; CAN KICK LATER

EXEMPTIONS FROM SERVICE ARE NOT GRANTED UNTIL REGISTRY IS MADE.

Responding to many questions asked of Sheriff Evans for information on exemption features of the selective draft army law, the sheriff yesterday urged the public to pay attention to registration plans before worrying about exemptions.

Exemption details will not be worked out until the registration under the draft law has been completed June 5. If the president and war department were to attempt at this time to appoint local and judicial district exemption boards, the sheriff urges,—confusion already existing in the public mind would be increased.

Names Drawn by Lot.

"From the lists of persons registered," said Sheriff Evans, "names will be drawn by lot by the fairest system that can be devised. Persons whose names are drawn and other persons interested will be given an opportunity to present claims for exemption, exclusion, or discharge from the draft and to support such claims by evidence.

"The determination of whether a particular claim for exemption, exclusion or discharge shall be granted will be made by boards to be appointed by the president. These boards will function under the law and under regulations prescribed by the president. The only regulations that have been prescribed are those governing the registration. The determination of exemptions, exclusions and discharges is a second step, separate from the registration."

That the selective draft law and forthcoming registration day are uppermost in the public mind is constantly made evident in the question almost daily asked of the sheriff:

Questions and Answers.

Some of the questions and answers follow:

Q.—I have only one leg, but am 25 years old. Will I have to register?

A.—Even though a man be deaf, dumb and blind, with both arms and legs missing, he must register.

Q.—My husband is sick with typhoid fever. A.—Those who, thru sickness, shall be unable to register

should cause a representative to apply for a copy of the registration card. The card should then be mailed by the sick person, or delivered by his agent, to the registrar of his home precinct or county. The sick person will inclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope for the return to him of his registration certificate.

Q.—What is the penalty for making a false affidavit in registration?

A.—Imprisonment, the same as if in a civil or criminal trial.

Q.—What happens if I do not register? A.—Registration is a public duty. For those not responsive to the sense of the duty the penalty of imprisonment, not fine is provided in the draft act.