

## Only a Few Players in U.S. Service-Cleveland Club Leads in This Way

Boston Red Sox Rank Second to Indians—Four Mackmen Are in Line—While Other Major League Clubs Have One or More on Honor Roll

First baseman Joe Harris, Pitcher Ed. Kieffer and Outfielder Elmer Smith of the Cleveland American League club have joined the U. S. national army. First Baseman Louis Gusto is now enrolled in the national army at Palo Alto, Cal. Pitcher Clark Dickerson is doing his bit in the army at San Antonio, Texas, and Pitcher Chester Torkelson, who reported to the Indians late in the season, is among the soldiers at the Rockford, Ill., cantonment.

**Few Regulars Called**  
Third Baseman Joe Evans is another Cleveland player now in army work. He was called and he asked for exemption until he could complete his medical education, as he had had three years of study for his M.D. degree. A few days ago he reported to Little Rock, Ark., and now wears the khaki. Pitcher Guy Morton also has been drafted and has asked for exemption on the grounds of dependents. Catcher Herman Deberry may enlist in the navy.

As a matter of fact, no club has lost heavily, as far as regulars are concerned, but it is very likely that the next call will cut into the squads to a considerable extent. Even Cleveland could put a strong team in the field to-day with so many players gone, as Harris and Evans are the only ones in the game daily who have been lost. Many players have been called and their claims of exemption have been granted. Numerous others are sure to be in the next call, and in this next lot will be many who will have no valid claims to exemption, it is a singular fact that numerous players who are unmarried and who have no valid reason for being exempted were missed in the first draft.

**Boston's Contribution**  
Next to the Indians the Boston Red Sox have furnished the greatest number of players. No less than five members of the 1916-17 champions have volunteered and they are listed as yeoman. They are Manager Jack Barry, Outfielders "Duffy" Lewis and Shorten, Pitcher Ernie Shore and Substitute Infielder Mike McNally. Dick Hoblitzell tried to get into the dental corps but was rejected. The other Boston club, the Braves, lost one veteran and one recruit to date, Hank Gowdy was the original volunteer from the major league ranks. Schreiber, an infielder drafted from Lawrence by the Braves, also was drafted by Uncle Sam and is now in the national army.

The Philadelphia National league club has not lost a player to date, but four of the Mackmen are enrolled in the army. They are Third Baseman Ray Bates, Pitcher Willy Noyes, Pitcher Newton and Outfielder Sharmen. Noyes was called late in the year from the New Haven club. Sharmen, an outfielder from the New York Yankees, enlisted in the army and is now in the national army.

few days ago. Erskine Mayer and Milton Stok of the Phillies were called in the draft but both were exempted.

**Chicago and New York Clubs**  
Neither Chicago club has suffered to any extent. Jim Scott of the White Sox is a volunteer and is now at the officers' training camp at Presidio, Cal. Joe Jenkins, who was drafted, is in camp at Fort Oglethorpe, Ga. Ray Schalk, Buck Weaver and Joe Jackson were called but later exempted. Of the Cubs, Leslie Mann is engaged in Y. M. C. A. work at an army camp, but no other player is in the service.

None of the regulars of either New York club has become a soldier or sailor. Robertson and Anderson of the Giants have been called and both have asked exemption on the ground of dependents. Of the Yankees, Pitcher Walter Smallwood is gone to the army, and Outfielder Frank Gilhoolie is to undergo another examination in a few days. Shawkey, Hendryx, Miller, Love and Walters have been exempted, as all have dependents. Of the Brooklyn Club Le-on Cadore is at Camp Upton, and Pitcher John Miljus is supposed to be at one of the camps not far from Pittsburgh. The next call is likely to take two of Brooklyn's first string pitchers, Ed. Pfeiffer and Sherrod Smith. Clarence Mitchell, obtained by Brooklyn from the Cincinnati club over the waiver route, has been called, but his status is not known definitely. Hickman and Stengel have draft numbers that are not likely to be included in the next call.

**How Other Teams Fared**  
Of the St. Louis Browns, Outfielders Yale Sloan and Bill Jacobson are in the navy, but neither has been called. Pitcher Bill Fincher, recalled from the Portland, Ore., club, is now at Camp Pike, Ark. Jack Miller is the only member of the Cardinals who has been called. He is married and has put in an exemption claim.

The Tigers have not been hit heavily. George Burns, first baseman, has been called, and he passed the examination. He is now at his home in Philadelphia awaiting orders. Pitcher Willie Mitchell tried to get into an officers' training camp but failed.

Warner of the Pirates is a member of the military police at the camp in San Antonio. Ward and Carlson have been called but have not been ordered to report. Grimes, Evans, and Schmitt have been exempted.

Neither the Washington club nor the Cincinnati club has lost a player. Rice, Judge, Henry, Foster and Ayres of the Senators have been exempted. None of Matcy's players, however, is in the army.

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CASTORIA



LABOR—"Well, no one could ask more."

## T.P.O'CONNOR OPTIMISTIC

Irish Patriot Hopes for Successful Solution for The Irish Problem

By Courier Learned Wire.  
Washington, Dec. 14.—T. P. O'Connor, the Irish patriot, yesterday voiced his opinion here that the Irish problem would be successfully solved. "I have a strong conviction," said Mr. O'Connor, "that the Irish people are steady and that, though the fierce and natural resentment of the executions will continue and may not be ended for many a long day, the intelligent perception of the true in-

terests of the nation will assert itself for the Irish race, after all, a very sane people and understand politics."

"Of course, the one sound purpose remains, in my judgment, which is called 'Dominion home rule,' with such modification as Ireland's different conditions demand. I am sure our people at home will be profoundly influenced by the attitude of their race here. You know what attitude is the loyal, unshaken, enthusiastic support of the war to victory and a religiousness."

**EXPECT TRUCK QUILT**  
The new motor truck for the use of the city's fire-fighters is fully expected, and when it arrives will be a decided acquisition to the city. In side it is said to resemble a miniature tank and will, in comparison, make the present truck look like an infant's perambulator.

## LADY KNOCKED DOWN

An elderly lady was knocked to the ground and severely shaken up early this afternoon at the corner of Market and Dalhousie streets, when a young man collided with her. She was carried into a nearby drug store and revived.

## DISLOCATED SHOULDER

A dislocated shoulder was suffered by Mr. Alfred F. C. Dowling, mail carrier, when he slipped and fell on Wednesday afternoon. He will be laid up for some time, but his prognosis is favorable.

**CHRISTMAS CARDS**  
Chief Stamen this morning received Christmas cards from a number of officers of the 15th in England, including Lieut. Roy Woodman, Lieut. W. G. Oxtoby, Lieut. Roy Brown, and Lieut. C. M. Sheppard.

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