

Downey, Michael E.

**QUARTET OF LOCAL  
LADS JOINS MARINES**

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**Three From Bethlehem, One From  
Freemansburg Enlist For Service**

Three Bethlehem and one Freemansburg lads have joined the "Leathernecks" and have been assigned to the United States Marines training center at Paris Island, N. C., for preliminary instruction in the art of "getting the situation well in hand." Report of their enlistment was made today by Sergeant Charles Crumb, of the Allentown recruiting office in the post-office building.

The Bethlehem men are:  
Michael E. Downey, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael T. Downey, of 742 Seneca Street. Downey, who resided at 523 Alaska Street, signed the roster on April 13.

William Frederick Kropf, son of Mrs. Frances Kropf, 335 Vineyard Street, who took the oath on April 16, the day of his seventeenth birthday anniversary.

Frank Huber, Bethlehem R. D. 4, son of Joseph and Mary Huber, same address. He is nineteen years of age and took the oath on April 13.

From Freemansburg, Lewis William Roberts, 24, 96 Juniata Street, went to Allentown to sign up. He is married, his wife, Eleanore, residing at Phillipsburg, N. J., R. D. 1. He joined on April 15.

The Marines are now accepting married men, Sergeant Crumb said, subject, of course, to the condition that their families are self-supporting and the permission of the dependent members is granted.

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