

YOUTHS OVER 18 BEGIN ENROLLING FOR DRAFT TODAY

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Registrations Being Taken at
Headquarters of All Local
Boards.

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Youths who attained their 18th birthday during the months of July and August this year began enrolling under the sixth draft registration call today.

A checkup at the three Bethlehem Selective Service Boards showed that 30 young men had enrolled in the city during the hours from 9 a. m. until noon.

Board No. 1, South Side, accepted 25 enrollments to lead in the numbers of registrations taken this morning. Board No. 2, with headquarters in the Bethlehem Trust Building, accepted three enrollments and Board No. 3, at the DPA Building, Eighth Avenue, had two enrollments.

All registrations are being taken at the draft board's individual headquarters and with the regular personnel taking care of the enrolling. No additional help will be sought unless there is a rush of late enrollees.

The registration is intended to carry out the purpose of the recently enacted law making 18 and 19-year-olds subject to the draft. More than a half million young men throughout the country are included in the age group.

Youths who became 18 before last July have already registered. Those who became 18 during July and August will register here between December 11 and 17. Those born during September and October will register from December 18 to 24, and those born during November and December will register between December 26 and 31. There will be no registration on Christmas Day. Those born after January 1, 1925, will register on the day they attain their 18th birthday.

A new order for induction has been evolved for the 18 and 19-year-olds. The older youths will be taken first, but any registrant who is in the second half of his academic year in high school may obtain a deferment until the end of the academic year by writing to his draft board.

The addition of the teen-age men to the total of draft eligibles is expected to slow up the induction of married men to some extent, but its effect in this direction will vary in the different board areas depending upon preparations the draft boards have made to fill up their quotas with married men and the time it

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will take to classify the younger group for induction.

Because many newly-inducted men are asking additional delay beyond the one-week furlough period authorized by the War Department, draft boards in some areas are asking that men about to be drafted take steps to close out their affairs early.

Every registrant has a minimum of from 20 to 30 days' notice prior to the time he reports for induction. He first receives his local physical examination and then after receiv-

ing a 1-A classification he usually has at least three weeks before being told to report for a final physical and induction. When he receives his 1-A classification he should take steps to straighten out his affairs, draft boards indicate, thus giving him sufficient time before he is actually called to service.

High School Student Enrolls

A high school pupil and Bethlehem Steel Company employe were the first two youths who became eighteen years old between July 1 and August 31 to register for Selective Service at the offices of Bethlehem Board No. 3, on the second floor of the DPA Building, Eighth Avenue.

The first registrant under the sixth registration proclaimed by President Roosevelt was Stephen J. Prebosnyak, 425 Third Avenue, who enrolled shortly after 9 a. m. The second was Elwood C. Stairs, 416 Grandview Boulevard, who signed up shortly after 11 a. m.

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