

A. P. L. VALUABLE AID IN DRAFT ROUNDUP

For the first time since the American Protective league was organized authority came from Washington last night to make public some of the results that have been attained by it. The league is made up entirely of volunteer workers who act as a branch of the department of justice.

As a result H. H. Merrick, president of the Selective Service association, gave out facts and figures showing the work the "A. P. L." did in connection with the slacker drive in July. The following number of cases were handled:

Failure to register.....	277
Failure to file questionnaire.....	1,313
Failure to get final classification cards.....	20,538
Failure to appear for physical exams..	1,707
Failure to notify board of change in address	8,128
Failure to ascertain status from boards	8,207
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Total adjustments.....	40,167

The announcement was made, it is understood, so that just credit is received by the organization for work well done, and also to warn the public to "get right" with the military

authorities in advance of another slacker drive which is to come in a short time. It is intimated that this will follow within two weeks after the 40 per cent of the questionnaires now being sent to the 18 to 45 registrants are mailed.

Though all government forces took part in the drive, according to the report of Hinton G. Clabaugh, chief of the Chicago bureau of the department of justice, the A. P. L. actually handled 75 per cent of the cases.

It is shown in the report that as a result approximately 500 dodgers were sent to Fort Sheridan or Camp Grant. Previous to this drive the A. P. L. had handled 28,490 cases in connection with violations of the selective service law.

Of these, 1,400 men were sent to camps as deserters, 830 dismissed and the rest otherwise disposed of. In commenting upon the work of the members of the A. P. L. the report says that hundreds of the men, volunteers without pay, worked as long as twenty hours a day during the drive for days without sleep.