

Thursday, May 10, 1917.

## SIGN THIS!

# Petition Against Sending Our Young Men to War in Europe

THE Congress of the United States,  
The undersigned citizens of the State of \_\_\_\_\_ respectfully petition your honorable body to take such legal action as may be necessary to prevent the sending to Europe an American army, to take part in the battles now raging.

(1.) We as American citizens believe that our Government should maintain absolute neutrality as to the war already existing between the German allies, upon the one hand, and the French-English allies upon the other;

(2.) We respectfully submit that our Government has no constitutional authority to order troops out of the States to which they belong, except "to execute the laws of the Union, suppress insurrection, and repel invasion;"

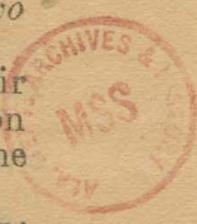
(3.) We most respectfully contend that the Federal Government has no constitutional authority to adopt and enforce any law requiring the citizen, *against his will*, to serve in the Army or Navy;

(4.) We contend that such a law would violate the 13th Amendment to the Constitution;

(5.) We further contend that the pending appropriations of money to raise and support armies, are in the teeth of Section 8, clause II. of the Constitution, which expressly provides that "*no appropriation of money to that use*"—namely, "to raise and support armies"—"*shall be for a longer term than two years;*"

Petitioners therefore, in the exercise of their constitutional rights, respectfully petition Congress to adhere faithfully to the Supreme Law of the Union—

(Paste this heading on sheets of paper: sign in duplicate. Send one copy to your Representative in Congress, and the other to one of your U. S. Senators.)



	J. D. Smith	32
	W. J. Smith	31
	J. C. Lee	30
	J. L. Turner	29
	W. H. Mastero	28
	Floyd Rich	27
	W. M. Rich	26
	E. P. Hale	25
	G. E. Lushatt	24
	S. T. Smith	23
	J. A. Mastero	22
	W. J. Graham	21
	F. C. Wipulin	20
	T. R. Rich	19
	G. B. Rich	18
	W. J. McCoolous	17
	A. P. Smith	16
	S. L. Gray	15
	R. H. Gunter	14
	F. P. Lee	13
	R. J. Gray	12
	J. S. Harmon	11
	J. W. Allen	10
	W. J. Smith	9
	Z. C. Smith	8
	T. H. Wadsworth	7
	E. B. Smith	6
	J. P. Wadsworth	5
	A. W. Rich	4
	B. F. Turner	3
	H. D. Turner	2
		1

Will Pray you to  
 continued for the  
 above





1	J. E. Turner	J. P. Sims
2	A. J. Willis	A. W. Stuart
3	O. G. Drummond	B. D. Lawsey
4	John H. Ball	T. F. Gorge
5	R. O. Hardwick	E. F. Lee
6	J. W. Wadsworth	W. H. Goddard
7	J. P. Paterson	John E. Morgan
8	G. I. Walker	C. W. Rich
9	J. Gary	J. J. Ragland
10	H. L. Seal	G. Z. Fulmer
11	J. A. Chaney	G. T. Bailey
12	S. N. Goddard	G. H. Miller
13	James H. Kilgus	B. B. Leace
14	J. W. Goddard	G. M. Seadham
15	J. M. Nunley	G. M. Peyton
16	Albert Thompson	C. J. Robertson
17	H. D. Rich	E. W. Hays
18	P. M. Golden	J. B. Roberson
19	S. Castleberry	E. M. Watson
20	G. J. Golden	W. L. Bain
21	A. H. Paine	R. W. Brown
22	W. O. Ducus	N. C. Bulersworth
23	J. W. Ingram	J. W. Smith
24	S. W. Ingram	R. C. Bulersworth
25	J. H. Barber	Custis Hazelwood
26	G. W. Grant	L. O. Stevon
27	B. T. Bauman	J. A. Ginn
28	P. P. Abrams	H. J. Burns
29	S. P. Golden	J. B. Alpersen
30	J. G. Newell	Will Selmer
31	J. R. Shannon	Oscar Rich
32	C. M. Watson	J. P. Tucker

1	Oscar Barber
2	Sal. Gary
3	J. B. Lee
4	O. M. Gee
5	W. A. Richey
6	J. R. Rich
7	H. G. Smith
8	J. T. Blankship
9	James Rendell
10	A. B. Davis
11	C. N. McCain
12	W. L. Cato
13	A. F. Southern
14	W. W. Macon
15	J. P. Lambert
16	B. S. Davis
17	
18	
19	
20	
21	
22	
23	
24	
25	
26	
27	
28	
29	
30	
31	
32	