

WORK FOR GENERAL STAFF

What the New Army Board Has for Its Immediate Consideration.

GERMAN METHOD ADOPTED BY UNCLE SAM

War Will Have to Hurry if It Catches the American Army Unprepared for Its Varied Phases.

That the United States is a world power and in future experience all of the dangers as well as all of the glory which is part of such a position was realized by the people at the head of the War department and the staff of the United States when they began the agitation which resulted in the creation of the general staff of the army.

Bad System Inherited.

The regular establishment of the army of the United States was inherited, like our common law and many other things good, bad and indifferent, from the English, and in consequence the establishment was purely military, drilled at this time with special reference to the command of troops and their maneuvers upon the field of battle.

German Method Adopted.

The general staff is intended to correct all these evils. For the American army has departed from the English system of organization and has taken the German as its example, hoping to make some improvements in the course of time upon that system, which is said to be the most complete in Europe.

Must Prepare for War.

So this is to be the duty of the general staff of the army of the United States. It is, in times of peace, to prepare for war, and to make plans which may be put into immediate effect in case of war.

WORN TO A SHADOW.

When there is a falling off in flesh in woman or man there is "something wrong." And that something wrong is generally a loss of nutrition due to disease of the stomach and the other organs of digestion.

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Traveling with the President

When President Roosevelt and his party reached Omaha they had covered 4,011 miles by rail since starting out from Washington and had still two-thirds of their journey to complete. When they shall have returned to the national capital, the special train placed at their disposal will have been hauled 13,955 miles.

While traveling the president as a rule remains in his own car, communicating with other members of the party by messenger, receiving them in his quarters occasionally. The president's secretary, Mr. Clegg, is the administrative head of the train and is properly called the general manager of the tour.

President Roosevelt seems to enjoy his trip and to get the most out of every minute of it. But it is by no means all roses. At the principal stopping point each day the mail which is of urgent importance is delivered, being transmitted from Washington to the special care of the postmaster at that station with instructions for prompt service to the presidential train.

The utmost precaution is taken for the president's personal safety. A detail of secret service men accompany him wherever he is exposed to the public and no one can get near the president unless fairly known to these men or on business that entitles him to access to his presence.

Other Problems to Solve. But it is not with the movement of troops alone that the general staff will deal. It is membership are representatives of every department of the army—the staff positions of the present day. These representatives will be expected to take such part in the preparation for possible wars as to know exactly what each of the troops in those departments will be required to do.

Qualifications for the Staff. These are the non-military features of war which the military features would be impossible. The German military staff is exceedingly militant in its military features, but in the non-military features it has little to do with things military.

Quaint Features of Life. The following announcement has been telegraphed from rural Ohio, and is important if true: "The lower set of false teeth which Charles E. Mann, last Tuesday, had swallowed and for which operation was performed on him Saturday, has been found in the woodshed at his house."

Rev. James C. Bradley, a young preacher of Guthrie, Okla., made a funny slip of the tongue a couple of months ago, but is very glad of it now. He was leading the benediction at a young people's meeting and in the course of his prayer said: "Oh, Lord, give us clean hearts, humble hearts, pure hearts, sweet hearts." The last caused a stir which nearly broke up the service.

Omaha chaps are a fine lot of fellows. They had all parceled out in advance and the man who took me in tow was a regular prince. From the moment I landed at the depot till I got back to the train he was right on the spot to help me get everything in sight.

A little incident that happened at Des Moines is worth relating. As the train neared the town the word came forward that for what is called "the daily minstrel parade" the president would be pleased to have his company appear in frock coats and silk hats.

The route laid out for the president could not have been materially improved if the main object were mere comfort in travel. All members of the party protested that the trip from Clarinda to Des Moines was the worst they had encountered and wondered why such a jolting line had been selected for them.

Inquiry developed the fact that the itinerary in several states was practically a reproduction of the itinerary that had been made out for the president when he contemplated a western tour last fall which was interrupted in Indiana. The tour then came immediately before election and the congressional districts traversed were supposed to be more or less doubtful.

But Omaha will be down in all the diaries among the red letter days of the tour. All members of the presidential party had nothing but fine words for their entertainment in Omaha and spent much of the morning following in recalling its pleasant features.

Military Features Essential. It is not alone with the nonmilitary features that the general staff will deal. The staff has many more officers upon it connected with these departments than are so connected. Their questions will be, after all, mainly military in the strictest sense.

Someone has deeply injured the feelings of the editor of the Hardeman (Tenn.) Free Press, and it must have been the man who swings the glue brush on the Johnson City Comet, for he of the Free Press says: "The Johnson City Comet says we sir the ugliest editor in Tennessee. We pretend to be no Apollinaris Belvidere, but if we was as ugly as Cy Lyle we would go out and drown ourself in water."

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Lighting-change artists are not in it with the presidential troupe. On this occasion the sky was overcast and the stars lit up with the doubtless enhancing the grumbling, and the four photographers got together with an agreement that they would all leave their cameras on the train.

No sooner was the drive about Des Moines completed and the speaking platform reached than the sunlight came streaming plentifully forth and to cap the climax the president, to make himself better heard, climbed upon a table and made his address from its top. And there right within ten feet of the president was a big camera manipulated by a local photographer, who said the plates in and out as fast as he could feed them.

"What do you think of such confounded luck?" shrieked Laybourn. "You needn't talk—why I could have got \$100 worth of stuff there in five minutes," groaned Donohoe. "No use crying over spilled milk," put in Lookpleasant. "Well, perhaps we've learned something," said the consolate Strivemore. "After this we take our cameras with us rain or shine."

I must add a little story that I picked up at Grand Island, where the president spent last Sunday. As part of the program he had insisted on a horse-back ride over a route of twenty-five miles, and the local people, to make the honors go round, had for as possible, selected a special committee to look after the ride entirely separate from the reception committee for the formal exercises the next day.

Here is a curious advertisement, republished in The Cornhill Magazine from an eighteenth century paper: "Wanted—For a family who have had health, a sober, steady person, in the capacity of a doctor, surgeon and apothecary. He must occasionally act in the capacity of butler and dress hair and wig. He will be required to read prayers occasionally and to preach a sermon every Sunday. The reason of this advertisement is that the family cannot any longer afford the expense of the physical tripe, and wish to be at a certain expense for their bodies and souls. A good salary will be given."

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"I detest gum chewsers," he said, and she laughed merrily. "Tell you what I'll do," he continued, "I'll buy a \$50 dress if you will throw away that gum and promise me never to chew gum again. What do you say?" "I say it's a bargain," said the girl, and she threw the gum away.

Warner ate his ham in silence, and when he paid his check he handed the waitress \$50 for the promised dress and left without another word.

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