FACTS ABOUT THE ARMY

Items of Interest Carefully Culled and Condensed.

MEN, WEAPONS AND MUNITIONS.

All About the Rank and File and the Regulations That Govern Them—How Men Are Examined For Enlistment—The Balloon and Its Use In War.

The regular army is made up of 42 regiments—10 of cavalry, 26 of infantry and 7 of artillery.

Gun cotton, as the safest and most effective explosive for the purpose, is the material used in planting submarine mines.

It is a severe examination, physical and moral, that the candidate for enlistment in the regular army has to pass. In times of peace about one candidate in 25 is accepted.

It is a good card for a new recruit to begin his term of service with little to say. Officers and privates dislike soldiers who talk too much, particularly talkative recruits.

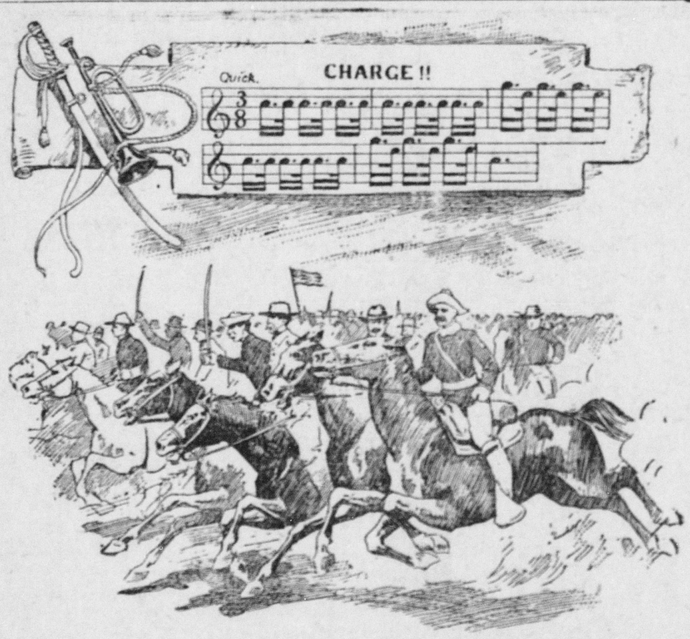
A noncommissioned officer is required to perform no labor with his hands beyond keeping his kit clean.

The president is by virtue of his office commander in chief of the army and navy.

Major general, next to commander in chief (always the president), is the highest rank in the army. The title lieutenant general, which ended with General Sheridan, will perhaps be revived.

There are 10,000,000 men of fighting age in the United States.

To enlist in the army the applicant must be between 21 and 30 years old, of good character and habits, ablebodied, free from disease, not less than 5 feet 4 inches tall, and between 128 and 190 pounds in weight.



BUGLE CALL AND CAVALRY CHARGE.

Recruits measuring above 5 feet 10 inches in height or weighing above 165 pounds are not accepted in the cavalry service.

Fat men do not make as efficient soldiers as thin men.

Married men and foreigners are not accepted as recruits in times of peace.

The pay of a private is $13 a month.

While many first battles have been fought upon the sea, there are few great conflicts in history that have not been ended by land forces.

On their caps infantrymen wear crossed rifles, artillerymen crossed cannon, cavalrymen crossed sabers, engineers a castle, signal corps men crossed flags.

The facings of the infantry uniforms are white, of the artillery red, of the cavalry yellow, of the signal corps orange and of the medical department green.

"Eyes of the army" is the term applied to the signal corps.

The signal corps of the regular army consists of ten officers, including Chief Greely and 50 sergeants. Each company of regular soldiers must have at least four men proficient in signaling who may be detailed for the work at any time.

Troops who in recent years have fought Indians in the far west are usually experienced in heliographic service. This method of signaling, by flashing of mirrors, was much used in the later Apache campaign.

War balloons are now fitted with telescopic cameras, by which photographs of a vast area of country can be obtained. The anchor cable contains telephone wires by which the men aloft may communicate with the commander on land.

The best of coffee is served to Uncle Sam's soldiers, and it is assumed that each man will drink a pint three times a day.

The regular infantry arm is the Krag-Jorgensen six shot repeating rifle. With it is used the sword bayonet.

Smokeless powder and 30 caliber bullets are used in the army magazine rifle.

An advantage in the regulation sword bayonet is that when detached from the rifle it can be used as an ax, a knife or a machete.

The Missouri mule continues to be the draft and pack animal of the army.

All army horses are bred and raised in the west. The government buys them unbroken, and each horse is trained by the cavalryman to whom it is assigned.

The weapons of a regular cavalryman are a carbine, revolver and saber.

There are four regiments of colored troops in the regular army, two of cavalry and two of infantry. They are commanded by white officers.

MINES AND TORPEDOES.

Submarine Agents For Attack at Sea and Defense In Harbors.

Torpedo warfare began during the American civil war. The early torpedoes were crude affairs and were used in comparatively few places, so that not many opportunities were afforded to test the possibilities of the new destructive agent in naval and harbor warfare.

Thirty-seven torpedo attacks have been made thus far in modern naval warfare. Their total results were 12 ships sunk and one ship damaged. Six assailant boats were lost.

The Whitehead torpedo is the only automobile torpedo which has ever been used in war and is practically the only torpedo in use today. The United States was the last leading nation to adopt the Whitehead, the navy department delaying action with the hope that an American engineer would produce the Whitehead's equal.

That the torpedo stands today as the most wonderful and terrible of modern engines of war is not to be doubted, but it has had no real test of its power. Naval officers all over Europe have looked forward eagerly to a war between the United States and Spain as an object lesson in torpedo warfare.

The three cylinders that compose the propelling engine within a Whitehead torpedo could be carried in one's overcoat pocket, but they have a combined force of 30 horsepower.

South American wars since 1877 and the recent war between China and Japan have shown what could be done with torpedoes. Russia also successfully employed torpedoes in her war with Turkey in 1877.

A check to the torpedo boat is the torpedo boat destroyer. Of these vessels Spain has 16, England has more than 100, while all the other first class European powers have from 10 to 75 destroyers each. These craft are armed with rapid fire and machine guns, and also are equipped to send torpedoes against an enemy's ship.

The simplest form of an anchored torpedo or mine is the contact mine, which consists of an iron case containing the explosive charge. If a ship hits one of the several projecting firing pins, a percussion cap is exploded, which explodes the mine.

Stationary torpedoes or buoyant mines are anchored near the bottom in deep water by a device which allows them to be electrically released at the proper time to rise to the surface beneath the hostile ship.

In the observation mine two wires lead to the shore. The coming of a vessel above the mine causes a bell to be rung or an electric light to be lighted on shore, which informs the operator there that it is time to touch the button causing the mine to explode.

LEGALIZED WARFARE.

Agreements by Which Civilized Nations Diminish War's Horrors.

What is called international law in respect of warfare is a compact among nations as to certain rules and forbearances that shall be observed in conducting hostilities should war arise between any of the parties to the agreement.

It is agreed among the great nations of Europe that in the event of war arising, arraying any one of these powers against another, there shall be no privateering on either side. This limits the capturing or destruction of the enemy's commerce to the operations of regularly commissioned warships.

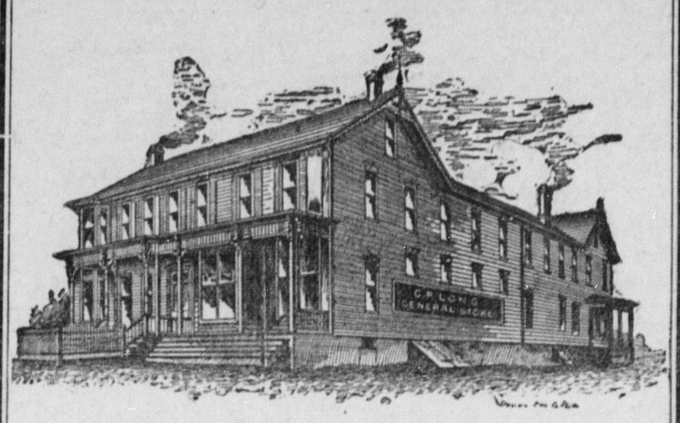
At the beginning of the present war with Spain President McKinley proclaimed that the neutral flag covers enemy's goods with the exception of contraband of war and that neutral goods not contraband of war are not liable to confiscation under the enemy's flag.

There are differences of opinion as to whether certain articles are contraband of war—that is, whether they can be useful to the enemy. Thus, while sulphur, from which powder might be made, is contraband, it is still an undecided question whether the same rule applies to coal that might be used in steaming by the enemy's warships.

In all modern wars, even when such savage forces as Spain and Turkey are engaged, the Red Cross flag has been respected by combatants on both sides.

No pillaging is now allowed in war, but an army may take whatever it needs for its use in passing through a country—food for men and horses, wagons and animals for transportation, arms, munitions and supplies of all kinds.

In the present war Spain claims a right to grant letters of marque to privateers, but has intimated that she will simply place under naval control the merchant ships that are to serve as auxiliaries in this conflict.



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PENNS VALLEY
BARGAIN STORE...

Spring Mills, - - Pa.

We Are On Deck !

With the largest and most complete stock of goods for the Spring and Summer that we ever received before. Every department in our large store has been filled up with all that is the latest, and we are positive that the new stock will please even more than ever. In our

Dry Goods and Clothing.

All the latest and most stylish fell to our lot in buying. New patterns and shades appeared this spring and our lines are made up entirely of such. The ladies will be pleased to find something up-to-date and stylish. Our Prints, Ginghams are exceptionally fine and we would ask that an inspection be made of them. Curtain Goods of every description. Our Dress Hats are the latest shapes, suitable for the seasons.

Window Shades.

We have received a full line of Window Shades, which are being offered at tempting figures. We have them from 10c. up on roll fixtures.

THE best way to reach the public is by advertising. We are here with our Spring advertisement to tell you that we are in business deeper than ever; that our stock is larger than ever; that our goods are better than ever, and that our prices are as low and lower than ever, notwithstanding the fact that manufactured leather goods are higher than ever and leather has advanced more than ever.

We are not advertising any catch goods. What we have in stock is good goods, and will be sold for just what they are in reality. It is customary to say in advertisements that "our prices are the lowest," and anything else that looks well on paper. We don't believe the public should be imposed upon even in advertisements. We have gained a reputation since we are in business that we are jealous of and propose sustaining that reputation so long as our sign announces our business. That reputation is fair and honorable dealing and prices that give us but a living profit—no more can be asked by any one. Our present stock consists of a complete line of all kinds of harness, both factory and handmade. Also, riding bridles and saddles. Collars, sweat pads, and flynets are the most sought after now. We have a full stock and can suit all in styles and quality. Trace chains, hames, halters, tie ropes and whips are always needed and a full line is always on hand. Besides a full supply of general saddlery hardware you will find horse brushes, curry combs, harness oil, axle grease, shoe soles, and anything else in our line.

Dr. Hess' Poultry Food, Dr. Hess' Panacea, and Dr. Hess' Instant Louse Killer are recommended from experience, as are also Dr. Scott's Hoof Paste and Family Remedies.

We are always ready to exchange our goods for any kinds of grain. We can sell you any kind of buggy and carriage you may want. The price depends only upon the quality. A good livery is attached to our business, which is conducted to the advantage of those who happen to need its services.

D. A. BOOZER,

Centre Hall, - - - - - Penna.

$5.00, $7.00 or $10.00

Buys of us a strictly All Wool Men's Suit of such quality and make as you will not find shown elsewhere for less than from Two to Five Dollars more money.

We are positively showing more good clothing than you will find in anyother two stores in Centre county. It will be to your advantage to examine this immense stock at once.

FAUBLES,

Men's Outfitters, Bellefonte.

You Need Not Lie !

About the size of the fish that got away if you get your - - -

Fishing Tackle
...FROM...
G. W. Bushman.

He is equipped with a full line, and the enthusiasts in this sport will find a complete assortment of Rods, Reels, Flies, Hooks, and Lines at low prices.

Split Bamboo Rods from $1.50 to $3.00.

Havana Feels Distress.

The weight of the blockade has been felt in Havana for over two weeks. Business is almost at a complete standstill, and there is hardly any movement in the streets, which have a sort of holiday appearance. The parks are almost deserted and there are very few people to be seen on the Plaza de las Armes at night, although the band plays there and everything possible is done to keep up the spirits of the people. There is a feverish desire to leave the island, and over 5000 people applied for passage on the French steamer Lafayette when she left there recently.

Good News.

No other medicine was ever given such a test as Otto's Cure. Thousands of bottles of this great German remedy are being distributed Free of Charge to those afflicted with Consumption, Asthma, Croup, severe Coughs, Pneumonia and all throat and Lung diseases, giving the people proof that Otto's Cure will cure them. For sale by G. H. Long, Spring Mills. Samples free. Large bottles 50c. and 25c.

Just Received--

A lot of Mouselines, Mercury Wings, Flowers, Hats, etc.

Now is your opportunity to take advantage of cheap millinery sales. As the season advances, we will sell goods at

Greatly Reduced Rates.

Our 30c. Taffetas are now selling at 20c, and other goods at proportionately low rates. Come and be convinced.

DINGES & CHRISTINE,

Centre Hall, - - Penna.

That Tells the Story

When they come with smiling faces, knowing that just what is needed can be found at our store.

TWO LARGE ROOMS FULL OF FURNITURE.....

....Astonishing how low in price, and always gives satisfaction. Also a large stock of Wall Paper and Window Shades--a fine line and cheap. Repairing of all kinds done promptly. Call and see us.

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Linen sent to this laundry is washed white, not whitewashed.

Collars and Cuffs Laundered with..

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"Union Finish."

The Top Notch in Laundry Art

High Gloss or Dull Finish.

Wm. Mc. WOLF.

Agent for Centre Hall.

COMMISSIONERS' SALE OF UNSEATED LANDS.

In pursuance of the several Acts of Assembly, 1881 and 1887, the Commissioners of Centre county will sell at public sale at the Court House, in the Borough of Bellefonte, on

SATURDAY, MAY 21, 1898,

at 10 o'clock, a. m., the following tracts of unseated land purchased by the County of Centre at Treasurer's sales, and which have remained unredeemed for a space of five years and upwards:

Acres	Perches	Warrantee.	Township.	Owner.	Taxes.
50		Moore, John	Benner	Unknown	$ 38 12
50		Coon, Andrew	"	Westers	38 12
50		Harris, J D	"	Unknown	38 12
30		Unknown	"	Wm Fishburn	27 62
100		Shugert, J D	"	J D Shugert	76 24
100		Unknown	"	Christian Dale	87 92
46		Unknown	Boggs	Jacob Leathers	61 52
50		Unknown	"	Jonathan Walker	63 92
433	163	Godfrey, Martha	"	J A Beaver, trustee	141 83
150		Lane, Sarah	"	"	36 27
71	131	Curtin, Roland	Curtin	"	19 84
294	31	Godfrey, Martha	"	"	75 35
122	31	Hepburn, Wm	Gregg	Mary M Frank	14 95
125		Unknown	Haines	D Hensel	24 00
75		Unknown	"	D Hensel	27 24
106		—— Lowery	"	D H Hastings	31 26
150		Unknown	"	D Hensel	16 84
125		Unknown	"	D Hensel	16 84
15		Thompson, Joseph	"	Unknown	6 62
18		Castonas, Thomas	"	Unknown	7 88
48		Beck, Daniel	Half Moon	Edward Brown	59 28
54		Shearer, Isaac	"	Mary Wilson	21 48
10		Irwin, Wilson	Harris	Meck & Nagle	8 12
150		Irwin, John	"	Mary M Frank	41 75
25		Graysburg, Jos	Howard	J W Morris	23 28
107	104	Brown, Samuel	"	Mary M Frank	115 96
415		Godfrey, Martha	"	J A Beaver Trustee	86 42
102		—— Williams	Huston	J C Nason	84 60
80		Smith, Robert	Liberty	J H Straw	16 62
80		Gorrell, Wm	"	C M Bower	40 27
309		Irwin, Robert	"	Samuel Christ	99 70
185		Jackson, Jeremiah	"	Samuel Christ	42 38
200		Krouse, Daniel	"	C M Bower	41 03
150		Lytle, Peter	"	Nicholas Mann	34 19
100		J & D Gunsallus	"	Unknown	137 52
53		—— McCalmont	Marion	Geo Speering	68 76
6		Unknown	"	Henry Lair	14 76
18	120	Lamb, David	"	Elias Zimmerman	32 37
55	18	Shugert, J D	"	W H Blair	8 82
75		Toner, Thomas	Miles	Unknown	21 60
100		Unknown	"	C Long	20 26
44		Unknown	"	Henry Beck	18 12
250		Cooper, Wm	"	Sarah E Greninger	47 81
100		Cook, Wm	Penn	P Gray Meek	32 37
46		Unknown	"	Perry Gentzel & bro	93 12
400		Brady, Wm P	Potter	Mary M Frank	20 13
80		Unknown	Rush	W H Corkenville	149 84
50		Long, A B	"	A B Long	117 72
6		Unknown	"	J J Pie	24 12
6		Unknown	"	Mrs Nelson	12 12
21		Unknown	"	Adam Hoy	14 64
250		White & Parsons	"	W C Heinle	123 12
390	110	Arthur, Ann	"	W C Heinle	203 12
177	84	Phillips, Hardman	"	P Pemberton Ellis	207 07
153	158	Toner, James	"	W C Heinle	41 37
75		Unknown	Spring	Emeline Whitney	83 06
15		Kurtz, Jno L	"	C U Hoffer	6 27
14		Toole, Henry	"	C U Hoffer	27 87
100		Beck, Jacob	Taylor	E J Pruner	453 12
109		Bell, J C	"	J C Bell	240 72
100		Unknown	"	George Cowher	183 12
30		Beckwith, Clement	"	C T Fryberger	74 76
35		Beckwith, Clement	"	S H Pound	68 76
48		Fox, James	"	John T Fowler	65 16
101		McEwen, Thomas	"	J F Clark	69 72
28		Lowden, Chas	"	Pittsbg Safe Dep Co.	16 62
15		Merryman, Thos	"	Thos Merryman	8 82
128		Thomas, Jno W	"	A A Dale	34 62
100		Thomas, Jno W	"	A A Dale	25 62
119		Thomas Jno W	"	A A Dale	32 37
76		Anshultz, Geo	"	A A Dale	37 39
216	156	McEwen, Polly	"	W H Steigerwalt	114 01
250		Deal, Ann	Union	Unknown	396 00
100		Blake, Jane	"	Ed Brown	280 80
388		Unknown	"	P B Crider & Son	661 12
100		Phipps, Samuel	"	W H Blair	25 62
150		Brown, Wm	"	P B Crider & Son	84 71
117		Boyce, Davis	"	Frank McCoy	52 40
159	140	Mann, Harvey	"	P B Crider & Son	64 26
438	163	Wister, Wm	"	P B Crider & Son	166 10
22	47	Hahn, Ebenezer	Walker	Cyrus Gordon	6 27
250		Gray, J B	Worth	J H Orvis	99 12

M. F. RIDDLE,
THOS. W. FISHER,
DANIEL HECKMAN,
County Commissioners.

Attest:
N. E. ROBB, Clerk.
Commissioners' Office, Bellefonte, Pa.
April 11th, 1898.