

SUCH IS LIFE—The Conundrum That Backfired!

By Charles Sughroe



Army Officers Lose Soft Positions in Washington

Swivel Chair Corps Ordered to Serve With Troops.

Washington.—In the ranks of the swivel chair officers' corps here in Washington there is a gloom befitting the loss of a major engagement. But the casualties are ahead of them, instead of behind. For specific instructions have been issued by the War department on the orders of Gen. Douglas MacArthur, chief of staff, ousting valiant lieutenants and doughty colonels from a scene where a uniform is a passport to society, and sending them back to supervise "squads east" and "squads west" on dusty drill fields. The order is in keeping with the program laid down two years ago by the then Inspector Gen. Hugh A. Drum, who conceived the idea of having officers actually serve with troops. Not Effective Until Next Year. The order is not as harsh as it might have been, however, for it provides that the reduction is to be accomplished in the process of normal relief and need not be completed until the end of the present government year, June 30, 1933. Despite the order a total of 803 officers out of a total authorized strength of 12,000 will still be detached on special duty, most of them in or near the National Capital. When Representative Ross Collins (Dem., Miss.), chairman of the house military affairs committee, and other members of congress renew their drive at the next session of congress to cut the officer personnel of the army from 12,000 to 10,000, the large number of officers taken away from troops and given socially pleasant posts will, it is understood, furnish one of their points of argument. Changes to Be Made. As an example of the gaps that are going to be created in the Washington military sector, 16 officers will be taken from the War department general staff, some 50 from the offices of chiefs of arms and services, 39 from the Third corps area and department headquarters, 145 from the staffs and faculties of the various schools, 342 from their studies at service and civilian schools. Under the new regulations the judge advocate general's office loses 8 officers, the adjutant general's office 5, the inspector general's office 1, the quartermaster general's office 5, the surgeon general's office 2, the chief of finance's office 1, chief of engineers' office 1, the chief of ordnance's office 3, the chief signal officer's office 2, the chief of chemical warfare service's office 2, the chief of the military bureau's office 5, the chief of cavalry's office 1, the chief of field artillery's office 3; the chief of coast artillery's office 1, chief of infantry's office 6, and the chief of air corps' office 14. There is no reduction in the allotment for the offices of the chief bureau of inspectors nor the chief of chaplains. Even with the new cut in effect the number of officers not serving with active troops will still number 893, or nearly one-twelfth of the army's officer strength.

Chic Two-Piece Frock



A charming two-piece frock in brown and beige wool with an accent of green in the striped crepe scarf.

GABBY GERTIE



"A wife is apt to kick over the traces if she finds them on your coat lapel."

Cotton Clothing for Nation's Needy



Muriel Bennett and Viola Marks, Red Cross girls, shown examining the cotton exhibit at the Red Cross headquarters in Washington, illustrating the work of the federal farm board in converting raw cotton into dresses, shirts and other forms of clothing for distribution among the nation's unemployed and their families.

Twenty-Eight Inches Is Life Margin in Head-on Motor Car Collision

Scientist Uses Ruler in Automobile Collision.

State College, Pa.—The difference between death in a head-on collision in an automobile traveling 30 miles an hour and safety is about 28 inches. The accident which proves this, and the modifications in motor car construction which it suggests, are described by H. L. Yeagley, physicist of Pennsylvania State college. "I was climbing the side of Nittany mountain," he says, "when a car came around a curve at 30-mile speed, with the driver asleep at the wheel. "It dashed head-on into a concrete abutment. Though the car was a total wreck, its driver was only bruised." The scientist made measurements to account for the seeming miracle, and found it was no miracle at all. Examination revealed first that the car moved about two feet between the time the bumper hit the concrete and complete stoppage. The steering wheel, which had supported the head, arms and chest of the sleeping driver, had been bent forward about six inches. "From this," says Mr. Yeagley, "it is apparent that the man was stopped through a distance of about 2 1/2 feet (30 inches). This is about the same as falling into a fireman's net from the fourth floor." He calculated that any person sitting in the front seat beside the driver must have pitched forward at nearly full car speed across the space between him and the windshield.

Ohio State Captain



Here is Lewis Hinchman, captain of the Ohio State university football team this year. His home is in Columbus, Ohio.

Man in Tennessee Owns Volume 227 Years Old

Knoxville, Tenn.—G. S. Ingle has come into possession of a book two hundred and twenty-seven years old. The volume, bound in calf, carries this title: "The Figures or Types of the Old Testament, by Which Christ and the Heavenly Things of the Gospel were French'd to the People of Old. Explain'd and Improv'd in Sunday Sermons by Samuel Mather, Some-time Pastor of the Church in Dublin." The volume was printed in London by "Nath. Hillier in Ledenhall St., Over Against St. Mary Axe, in 1705."

All Around the House

By the time the passenger struck these objects the car would have been so nearly stopped that his body would have only about 2 inches to travel forward while there was still left any of the cushioning forward motion of the car. This impact, Mr. Yeagley calculates, would be a "probable killing force." It is 28 inches less than the driver had for stopping. The scientist observed that often the driver escapes injury, while a passenger is killed. Add a pinch of salt to coffee when it is being heated to improve the flavor. When frying fish roll in cornmeal instead of flour and it will never stick to the pan. If a small pan of water is placed in the oven with bread when baking the loaf will be larger and crust more tender. When making muffins in iron pans grease and heat pans in oven before putting in batter. Muffins will then be much lighter. Add about seven drops of lemon juice to a pint of cream and it will beat up firm in about half the time otherwise required. A delicious raspberry preserve may be made of equal parts of sugar and berries. Crush every berry. Fill hot sterilized jars and seal. When washing colored silks adds a little ammonia to the next to the last rinsing water and let the garment soak in it for two or three minutes. This will revive the color. To frost glass window panes make a strong solution of rochele salts and warm water and apply with a brush. Soap and warm water will quickly remove it when it becomes scratched.

Portrait, Sold for \$15, Is Valued at \$200,000

The Hague.—The Rembrandt portrait of Marten Looten, friend of the Dutch master, which was sold some years ago by the Looten family for \$15 in the belief that it was merely a copy, has been discovered by Doctor Kat, an art expert at Amsterdam, to be an original and is valued at \$200,000. Doctor Kat says he has deciphered an inscription on the painting, written by Rembrandt himself, expressing appreciation of Looten's friendship.

Climbs to a Record

Mt. Hood, Ore.—Those who are ambitious to set a record of some sort should consider the one held by Mark Weygandt. Since 1903 he has ascended the summit of Mt. Hood exactly 585 times.

POTPOURRI

The Apeing Fowl The penguin, an antarctic water fowl, like the ape family, is adept at imitating the actions of human beings. Explorers report these birds have no fear of people even though when seen for the first time. Usually they lay but one egg and it is hatched by holding it between its thighs. © 1932, Western Newspaper Union.

IGNORANCE

By THOMAS ARKLE CLARK Late Dean of Men, University of Illinois.

Mary, aged five, coming home from an afternoon's association with a companion of her own age expresses in forcible and unmistakable terms her surprise and her dissatisfaction over her young friend's lack of acquaintance with what to her erudite mind are the simplest facts of life. "Why, she don't know anything," Mary informed her mother. "Ethel's awful ignorant. She don't even know that Christ died or that he rose again, or that paper is made of rags." It seemed indeed inexcusable ignorance for one living for five years in a civilized, not to say Christian, community. I have myself, however, at an even more mature age than five, been quite shocked at what seemed to me then the most appalling ignorance of people whom I met. What is ignorance, anyway? I suppose, if the truth were told, the ignorant person is the one who doesn't know the things that you know. We measure knowledge by our own training or experience. I was quite surprised the other day to find that Tilden, who has always before this time seemed a well-trained person, did not know the meaning of roccoco.

Two or three years ago I dropped into the little town of Segovia, where two thousand years ago Caesar built an aqueduct that is standing in perfect condition today. I could speak no Spanish and the natives were completely unacquainted with English. They tried their best, with only moderate success, to make me understand this and that and the other. I am sure they thought me very ignorant. As indeed I was, of everything from how to order a meal to how to manage the stubborn donkeys which thrugged along the narrow little streets. I have no doubt but that if I had visited my city cousins at the time they visited us, I should have seemed quite as ignorant to them as they did to me. I had at that time never ridden on a railway train; I had never been in a city—I had not seen an ocean or a mountain. I knew nothing but the farm, and the broad prairies which stretched endlessly in all directions. I was quite ignorant. © 1932, Western Newspaper Union.

Cemetery Established Before 1800 Abandoned

Yeadon, Pa.—Dead—buried—and forgotten. Such description apparently fits the inhabitants of the old Macphethall cemetery. Established long before 1800 by a group of Philadelphians, it has been abandoned for years. More than 1,000 sunken mounds and hundreds of graves without visible markers attest to the time when hundreds of Philadelphians were buried there. The oldest legible marker is dated 1819.

Why Not for Daddy?

To Reid there is no one quite like his daddy. Thus when a surprise birthday dinner for his father was in progress Reid was extremely interested in every detail. "And when are we going to hang out the flag, mamma?" he asked. "What flag, dear, and why?" "Why, the flag—for daddy's birthday!"

Aviation Hotel in Desert

A hotel for air passengers has been opened at Rutbah Wells, in the Syrian desert. The spot is the only one within 200 miles having water. When British troops were taken by air from Irak to Port Said recently they stopped there 18 hours to rest.

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Beautiful New Zealand

Not content with rivaling Switzerland, New Zealand has wonderful floods as beautiful and impressive as those of Norway, says a traveler. The mountains come down to the edge of the sea and end abruptly in precipices a couple of thousand feet deep, which continue under the sea for another two thousand feet, so the biggest liners can steam there in perfect safety.

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Favors Love-Making School

Love-making should be taught, not learned by experience, declared Prof. A. E. Heath, of Swansen, Wales, in an address at the social hygiene council summer school. "We should not dare to play the violin without knowing anything about it," he said, "and yet we do not seem to think it necessary to learn this important art of love-making. There would be more hope if appeals to the younger people are made on esthetic rather than moral grounds," he added.

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