

An Army Officer's Story

By F. A. MITCHEL

The old United States army was formerly not what it is today. It was largely made up of men who had failed to make a living and had enlisted that they might be taken care of. Afterward, when the army was made larger, educated young men enlisted, hoping by diligent service to win a commission. Since the breaking out of the world's war many men of refinement who feel it their duty to fight for their country are to be found in the ranks.

At a time the army was full of low grade men I was in what was then the far west in command of a two company post. There was little to do, and my men were much given to drink. Where the liquor came from I did not know. Liquor was prohibited, and I kept a man I could trust at the only entrance to the fort to inspect all supplies that were admitted, to make sure that none was brought in.

Nevertheless the drunkenness continued. In those days when a man in the army was found drunk he was taken to the pump and water was pumped over his head. I remember an amusing incident when one of my men was being wetted down. He said in his maudlin way, starting on his defense:

"I tell you, major, there's a lot of rascality in this post."

"So I see by your condition," I replied, "and we're trying to work it out of you."

I had no detective to put on the track to find out how the liquor was smuggled in. So I must remain in the dark. Undoubtedly some of the men knew how the trick was done, but how many I could not find out. Probably the number was limited, for if there had been many in the secret it would have leaked out. It is the duty of a noncommissioned officer who knows of any irregularity going on among the men to report it, but I got no such report. They were all good men, and I judged they were not in the secret.

Farmers living about the fort brought in provisions, consisting of vegetables, fruit, butter, eggs and such like. It occurred to me that some one of the farmers who were furnishing these supplies must be bringing the liquor. But my sentry at the gate declared that they exposed all their wares when they entered and there was nothing that could contain liquor. One could not carry fluid of any kind in an onion or a crock of butter—that is, unless the crock had a false bottom. Every receptacle like a crock, a basket or a tin can had been repeatedly examined and no spirits found.

Chickens and ducks were plentiful about us, and it occurred to me that a small glass or tin can might be hidden in each fowl, the birds being always brought in dressed ready for use. I had a number of them cut open, but found nothing.

My wife had a maid, who was receiving attention from one of the men. I asked my wife if she could not use her maid to find out through her soldier lover where the men were getting their liquor. My wife had a talk with the woman, who declared that her soldier never drank himself, consequently he was not trusted with the secret. Since he was never caught in any of the drinks that occurred I was forced to believe the story.

Through a mistake of the maid the secret was made plain to me one morning without the assistance of a detective or any one else.

I always ate an egg for breakfast. On the morning in question our cook was on the sick list and the maid cooked and served the breakfast. She brought me in my coffee, my toast and my egg, the latter in an egg cup—for I usually ate my eggs boiled—and sat them all down before me. Then she retired, leaving me alone with my wife, who sat opposite me. I broke the small end of the egg, which was uppermost, and removed the broken part with my knife.

Instead of the odor of eggs I smelled the odor of whisky. Bending over it, I perceived a yellow fluid. Pouring a little of the fluid into a glass, I sipped—whisky.

The secret was out. The shell had never been laid by a hen, but had been manufactured of plaster of paris.

Realizing that I must discover who was bringing in these egg drinks I emptied the whisky into a bowl and put the shell in my pocket. Then my wife sent the maid out with a message to a friend, and while she was gone we searched our larder. We found concealed there several dozen whisky eggs. They were being stored by myself, the commandant of the post.

It was evident that the maid was favoring her lover, who was undoubtedly the dealer in these drinks. When the maid returned from her errand my wife took her to the hiding place of the liquor and broke one of the eggshells. The maid was, of course, much disconcerted. In some way she had unintentionally got hold of a whisky egg instead of a hen's egg and served it to me for breakfast.

I ordered the arrest of her lover, and he was tried by court martial. It came out that a sleek country man who supplied us with eggs had brought in the accused whisky eggs, which he sold to the men. He received a proper sentence. The maid, of course, was discharged.

Just how she got hold of the wrong egg never came out. I am inclined to think that the farmer unintentionally put it in the same box with real eggs.

Obedience. We must remember, is a part of religion and therefore an element of peace, but love, which includes obedience, is the whole.

First Literary Club.
Dr. Johnson and Sir Joshua Reynolds founded the first literary club. It was in 1794.

Wise out the post, trust the future and live in a glorious now—Toine.

Chevrons of Honor.
The French are quick to bestow symbols of honor on soldiers who perform deeds of self sacrifice or daring. More than any other of the allies, perhaps, they recognize the value of emblems of service.

Among the many neat little marks upon the French uniforms that indicate the rank and the department of the wearer, says Sir A. Conan Doyle in "A Visit to Three Fronts," there was one that puzzled me. It was to be found on the left sleeve of men of all ranks, from generals to privates, and it consisted of small gold chevrons, one, two or more. No rule seemed to regulate them, for the general might have none, and I have heard of a private who wore ten.

Suddenly I solved the mystery. The marks are the record of wounds received! By this admirable little device the French ally the smart of a wound and make it bring lasting honor to the man among his fellows.

The Good Old Mustard Plaster.
There was a day when no well regulated home in the state was without a mustard plaster or the "makin'" of one. It had its own place in the house, just as the smoking tobacco or the green coffee had.

For years Kansas kept house and broke the prairies, subdued the Indians and wasted the buffalo on quinine and mustard plasters. Many times the mustard plaster stopped the "acer" when quinine wouldn't phase it.

In those good old days, when every ache in the back anywhere between the neck and the hips was called "lumbago" and every other pain was called the "old fashioned colic," mustard plaster served as the family physician. It was applied to the erache in children and to the rheumatism in father's arm. Good old mustard plaster!—Kansas City Times.

Old Time Irrigation.
The remains of irrigation systems that date back to prehistoric times when the valleys of Arizona were inhabited by highly civilized Indian tribes are still in existence. One of the most famous of these is on the state highway running from Prescott to the Grand canyon. Water is taken from what is known as Montezuma's well, a curious natural well 449 feet in diameter and 93 feet deep, except in one spot, where no bottom has been reached at 500 feet. Lime in solution is carried by the water, and the sides of the ditch have been preserved by the petrification of the original earth. A line of levels was run along the bottom of one of these old Indian ditches and showed the grade to be almost perfectly uniform at the rate of 1 foot each 100 feet.—Indianapolis News.

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IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON, IN AND FOR JACKSON COUNTY.

Western Bond and Mortgage Company, a corporation, Plaintiff,

vs.

W. E. Brayton and Anna Brayton, John J. Brown, Clara J. Waltman, O. L. Waltman, and C. H. Owen, Defendants.

By virtue of an execution, judgment

order, decree and order of sale, issued out of the above entitled court, in the above entitled cause, to me directed and dated the 12th day of September, 1917, upon a judgment rendered and entered in said court on the 1st day of September, 1917, in favor of the Western Bond and Mortgage Company, a corporation, plaintiff, and against W. E. Brayton, Anna Brayton, John J. Brown, Clara J. Waltman, O. L. Waltman and C. H. Owen, for the sum of \$6500.83, with interest thereon at the rate of 8% per annum from the 1st day of September, 1917, and for the further sum of \$350.09 with interest thereon at the rate of 6% per annum from the 1st day of September, 1917, and for the further sum of \$74.25 costs and disbursements, and the costs upon this writ, commanding me to make sale of the following described real property situated in the County of Jackson, State of Oregon, to-wit:

Beginning at a point 9 chains and 13 links East and 6 chains and 18 links south of the quarter section corner on the North line of Section 3, in Township 37 S. R. 2 W. W. M., in Oregon; running thence South 70 degrees and 45 minutes East 8 chains and 93 links; thence south 42 degrees 45 minutes East 17 chains and 97 links; thence north 6 degrees 10 minutes West 15 chains and 56 links; thence east 36 chains and 35 links; thence south 33 degrees East 6 chains and 79 links; thence south 40 degrees 30 minutes East 4 chains and 51 links; thence south 35 degrees East 2 chains and 50 links to the north line of D. L. C. No. 55; thence east on said north line 1 chain and 25 links; thence north 35 degrees West 23 chains and 9 links to the northwest corner of Lot 3 in Section 2, said Township and Range; thence north 2 chains and 60 links; thence north 77 degrees 45 minutes west 3 chains and 66 links; thence south 62 degrees 30 minutes west 5 chains and 19 links; thence north 34 degrees 30 minutes west 8 chains and 39 links; thence north 67 degrees west 6 chains; thence south 20 degrees 45 minutes west 12 chains; thence north 82 degrees 45 minutes west 4 chains and 10 links; thence north 44 degrees 15 minutes west 13 chains; thence west 7 chains and 49 links; thence south 23 chains and 51 links to the point of beginning, containing 95.75 acres, more or less.

Excepting and reserving therefrom the following: Beginning at a point 9.13 chains east and 12 chains and 39 links north of the quarter section corner of the north boundary line on Section 3, Township 37 S. R. 2 W. W. M., in Oregon; thence north 5.04 chains; thence east 7.49 chains; thence south 44 degrees 15 minutes east 7 chains and 4 links; thence west 12.50 chains to the beginning, containing 5 acres, more or less.

Also excepting and reserving the following: Beginning at same post as described above as beginning point, running thence south 18.54 chains to post on the north side line of the County Road; thence along road south 70 degrees east 66 links; thence north 18.70 chains to the south line of the land described above in the first reservation; thence west 54 links to the point of beginning, containing 1 acre, more or less. Also excepting and reserving the following: Beginning at a point 9.73 chains east and 6.35 chains south of the quarter section corner on the north line of Section 3, Township 37 S. R. 2 W. W. M., Oregon; running thence south 70 degrees 45 minutes east 8.09 chains; thence south 42 minutes east 2.09 chains; thence north 23.50 chains; thence west 8.88 chains; thence south 19.27 chains to the point of beginning, containing 19 acres, more or less.

Also excepting and reserving therefrom the right of way of Charles M. Wiseman described as follows: Beginning at a point where the Charles M. Wiseman Water ditch right of way crosses the east line of land belonging to Martha Wichman and running thence south 29 degrees east 7 chains to the center of Bear Creek and across the lands of John J. Brown in Jackson County, Oregon.

Now Therefore, by virtue of said execution, judgment order, decree and order of sale and in compliance with the commands of said writ, I will, on the 22nd day of October, 1917, at 10 o'clock A. M., at the front door of the County Courthouse in Jackson County, Oregon, sell at public auction (subject to redemption) to the highest bidder for cash in hand, all the right, title and interest which the above named defendants, or either of them, had on the 15th day of February, 1916, the date of the mortgage herein foreclosed, or since that date had in or to the above described property, or any part thereof to satisfy said execution, judgment order, decree, interest, costs, and accruing costs.

RALPH G. JENNINGS,
Sheriff of Jackson County, Oregon,
By Leslie W. Stansell, Deputy.
Dated this 14, day of September, 1917.
First issue September 22, 1917.
Last issue October 20th, 1917.

Notice To Creditors

In the Matter of the Estate of Frank Ludvig Benson, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given, that the undersigned, Ellen Benson, has been duly appointed administratrix of the

estate of Frank Ludvig Benson, deceased, and notice is hereby given that any and all persons having claims against said estate may present the said claims properly verified, within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice, which publication is on the 22nd day of September, A. D. 1917, to the said administratrix at her home on R. F. D. No. 2, Medford, Oregon.

Dated September 21st, A. D. 1917.
Ellen Benson, Administratrix.

Notice of Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of an execution in foreclosure and order of sale duly issued out of and under the seal of the Circuit Court for the State of Oregon for Jackson County, dated September 7th 1917, in a certain suit therein, wherein Polk Hull, et al, as Plaintiffs, recovered judgment and decree against Edward Brownworth, Defendant, for the sum of \$2000, with interest at 7% from January 24th 1910, and \$200, attorney's fees and \$14.50 costs, which judgment was enrolled and docketed in said court August 25th 1917.

Notice is hereby given, that pursuant to the terms of said execution, I will on October 15th 1917, at 10 o'clock A. M., at the front door of the Court House in the City of Jacksonville, Jackson County, Oregon, offer for sale and sell at public auction for cash to the highest bidder, to satisfy said judgment, with the costs of this sale, subject to redemption as provided by law, all of the right, title and interest that Edward Brownworth had on January 24th 1910, or has since acquired, or now has in and to the following described property, situated in Jackson County, State of Oregon, to-wit:

The undivided one-half of the north-east quarter of the southeast quarter of Section Five (5); of the north-east quarter of Section Nine (9); of the north-west quarter of the southeast quarter of Section Nine (9); and of the southwest quarter of the north-west quarter of Section Ten (10), all in Township Thirty-five (35) South, Range Four West of Willamette Meridian, with the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or appertaining. Dated at Jacksonville, Oregon, September 11th, 1917.

RALPH G. JENNINGS,
Sheriff of Jackson County, Oregon,
By Leslie W. Stansell, Deputy.

Notice of Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of an execution in foreclosure and order of sale duly issued out of and under the seal of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Jackson County, dated August 6th 1917, in a certain suit therein, wherein Elizabeth Fowler, as Executrix of the estate of William Fowler, deceased, as plaintiff, and T. J. Wilson, George C. Garrett, J. M. Whipple, Mildred E. Young, Wm. L. Beach, Mary R. Colebourne, Gold Hill L. dge No. 129 I. O. O. F., M. M. Scott, John T. Donigan, C. W. Horton, C. B. McClellan, Phil Keeline, Henry C. Breeding, George Lowd, Thomas Conway, Robert Burkhardt, Charles M. Warren, F. E. Hall, F. J. Blakeley, M. Burkhardt, Chas. Hulen, S. F. Potter, John Thrasher and A. A. Boyer as defendants, recovered judgment and decree against the defendant Woodville Lodge No. 217, I. O. O. F., said judgment being in favor of Elizabeth Fowler as executrix of the estate of William Fowler, deceased, in the sum of \$7500.00 with interest thereon at 7% per annum from January 1, 1913 and in favor of the above named defendants in the sum of \$2375.00 with interest on \$1000. from July 1st 1916, and on \$1375.00 from January 1, 1913, at 7% per annum, together with \$500, attorney's fees and \$88.15 costs, which judgment was enrolled and docketed in said Court July 28, 1917.

Notice is hereby given, that pursuant to the terms of the said execution, I will on Saturday, October 20, 1917, at 10 o'clock A. M. at the front door of the court house in Jacksonville, Jackson County, Oregon, offer for sale and sell at public auction for cash to the highest bidder, to satisfy said judgment, with the costs of this sale, subject to redemption as provided by law, all of the right, title and interest that the defendant, Woodville Lodge No. 217, I. O. O. F. had on the 18th day of June 1912, or has since acquired or now has in and to the following described real property, situated in Jackson County, State of Oregon, to-wit:

Lot Three (3) in Block One (1) of Carner and Sabin's Addition to the Town of Woodville, now Rogue River, in Jackson County, Oregon.

Dated at Jacksonville, Oregon, September 7th 1917.

RALPH G. JENNINGS,
Sheriff of Jackson County, Oregon,
By Leslie W. Stansell, Deputy.

Notice of Final Settlement

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON, FOR JACKSON COUNTY.

In the matter of the Estate of Margaret Hurst, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that Frank Hurst, the Executor of the above entitled estate, as such, has filed his final account and report in the above entitled court and matter and Monday, Octo-

ber 1, 1917 at the hour of 10 o'clock A. M. at the courtroom of above entitled court at the court house at Jacksonville, Jackson County, State of Oregon, has been appointed as the time and place for hearing of objections thereto and for the settlement thereof.

FRANK HURST,
Executor of estate of Margaret Hurst Deceased.

Citation

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON, FOR JACKSON COUNTY.

In the Matter of the Estate of Olaf Rye Bjerregaard, Deceased.

To Cina Bjerregaard-Berg, Souman Bjerregaard, Hans T. Bjerregaard, Jacob E. Bjerregaard, Heartel Bjerregaard, and Julius Bjerregaard, devisees in the Will of Olaf Rye Bjerregaard, deceased, Greeting:

In the name of the State of Oregon: You and each of you are hereby called and required to appear in the County Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Jackson, in the Court rooms of said court at the Court house in Jacksonville, Oregon, on Wednesday the 31, day of October A. D. 1917, at the October Term of said Court, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, then and there to show cause if any you have, why the Judge of the County Court of Jackson County, Oregon, should not issue an order authorizing the Executor in said estate to sell at private sale all the real property in said estate according to the prayer of the petition of the said Executor now on file in this Court, and which real property is described as follows: Commencing at a point 11 chains and 32 1/2 links east of the Southeast corner of D. L. C. No. 42 in Township 37 South of Range 1 West of the Willamette Meridian, running thence north 8 chains 39 links; thence East 2 chains 38 1/2 links; thence South 8 chains 39 links; thence West 2 chains 38 1/2 links to the place of beginning, containing 2 acres more or less, located in Medford, Jackson County, Oregon.

Witness, the Hon. F. L. TouVelle Judge of the County Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Jackson with the seal of said Court affixed, this 21st day of September, A. D. 1917.

Attest:
(Seal) G. A. Gardner,
County Clerk

Notice Of Final Settlement

In the Matter of the Estate of Christena Reuter, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned have filed their first and final account as administrator and administratrix of the estate of Christena Reuter, deceased, in the County Court of Jackson County, Oregon, and that said court has appointed Saturday, the 29th day of September, 1917, at the hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon of said day as the time, and the court room of said county court at the court house in Jacksonville, Jackson County, Oregon, as the place for hearing objections thereto, the settlement thereof, and the distribution of said estate. All persons interested are hereby notified to appear at said time and place and show cause if any exist, why said first and final account should not be approved by the court, said estate be decreed to be fully settled, a decree made for the distribution of all said estate to the persons entitled thereto, and said administrator and administratrix discharged from their said trust.

Dated and first published September 1, 1917.

J. A. REUTER, ELIZABETH REUTER,
Administrator and administratrix of the estate of Christena Reuter deceased.

Summons.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON, FOR THE COUNTY OF JACKSON.

Jessie Beatrice Dean, Plaintiff,

-vs-
Carl Robert Dean, Defendant.]

To Carl Robert Dean the above named defendant;

In the name of the State of Oregon, you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint of the plaintiff filed against you in the above entitled court and cause, on or before the expiration of six weeks from the date of the first publication of this summons, to-wit: on or before the 13th day of October, 1917. And if you fail to so appear and answer within said time, for want thereof the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief prayed for in her complaint, to-wit: for a decree of the court dissolving the bonds of matrimony existing between the plaintiff and the defendant and for such other relief as to the court may seem equitable. This summons is served by publication in the Jacksonville Post, pursuant to an order of the Hon. F. L. TouVelle, County Judge of Jackson County, Oregon, made and entered August 31, 1917, which order requires said summons to be so published once each week for six successive weeks.

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D. W. BAGSHAW,
Attorney for Plaintiff,
Jacksonville, Oregon.

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