

TO STOP WASTE IN ARMY CAMPS

War Department Prepares Plans to Enforce the Most Rigid Economy.

SOME USE FOR EVERYTHING

Effect of New Plan is to Turn Into Large Profit What Hitherto Has Been a Very Considerable Expense.

Washington.—The war department has taken elaborate and comprehensive precautions to prevent waste in the army cantonments, which will soon contain more than 2,000,000 men, and in the embarkation camps. In the feeding of the men waste will be minimized through the fact that the food will be prepared under the direction of mess cooks, who will be trained by special courses in army cooking schools.

The officers' training camps have not been under the control of the war department so far as the food supplies are concerned, and the waste in those camps has been due to the lack of skilled management in the handling of food. A committee representing the war department and the United States food administration will also assist in dealing with problems of eliminating waste.

The food administration has received from the secretary of war an announcement of a thorough-going plan for conserving all the waste material of the National army camps, which will result in salvaging many thousands of dollars.

Collecting the Waste.

The army's first consideration in planning this work has been the sanitary and hygienic problem. At each cantonment the wastes will be collected and transported to a single "transfer station" under the direction of the sanitary inspector. Through the use of the two-can system, wastes will be tightly enclosed throughout their collection. Sterilized cans will be substituted for the filled cans at the kitchens, the nuisance of disagreeable odors and danger from flies being reduced to a minimum. Every step in the process of reclamation and utilization is carefully safeguarded and is under the absolute direction of a sanitary force, each contractor being placed under heavy bonds.

At the transfer station, the wastes are turned over to a contractor, who will remove them to a point at least three miles distant from the reservation. There the wastes will be completely sorted. Bottles will be sterilized and sold for commercial use. Tin cans will be baled and the solder, tin and iron reclaimed. Paper, which is estimated about five tons per day, will be baled. Bones will be kept separate and ground for fertilizer. The hides of dead animals will be removed and the carcasses "reduced" for grease and fertilizer.

The chief items of waste will be the garbage and the manure. It is estimated that there are 1,200 animals at each cantonment, producing 120 tons of manure per day. At the date of the report the manure from 11 cantonments had been sold for \$240,000 annually.

Big Saving Through Garbage.

The greatest element of saving is through the garbage. This has been sold for an annual price of \$440,394.57. The garbage from 13 of the cantonments will be used for feeding swine. It is estimated on the basis of experiments conducted at the Chilli-cothe cantonment, that the garbage waste from 10 to 15 men will feed one hog and enable it to add to its weight one pound per day. At this rate, the garbage from these 13 cantonments will produce 18,080,000 pounds of pork per year.

When not used for feeding, the garbage will be "reduced," that is, cooked at high temperature, the grease extracted, and the remainder ground and used for fertilizer or feeds.

By the method of incineration formerly in use, not only would all these valuable waste materials have been destroyed, but it would have cost approximately \$700,000 for the installation of incinerator plants and an annual charge of approximately \$200,000 for their operation. When we add to this saving the amount annually received by the government from these wastes, the net saving the first year amounts to \$1,707,840.

The effect of this new plan, therefore, is not only to conserve large quantities of valuable food wastes, fertilizers, etc., but to turn into a large profit what has hitherto been a very considerable expense.

Germans Deceive Chinese.

New York.—German propagandists kept the Chinese from knowing the truth about the war for more than a year, said Dr. J. Preston Maxwell, head of the Yungchuan Hospital of the English Presbyterian church, Amoy. "They were told that Paris had fallen," he said, "and that England had been invaded by a great army which had London in its grasp. "The climax was the announcement of the German peace terms. Over night the walls of many places were placarded with these terms printed in Chinese characters. They were certainly wonderful terms with Germany getting all the best of it."

LENGTHEN YOUR LIFE.

Add Fifteen Years to It by Simply Learning How to Live.

Fifteen years is the length of time one may add to his life by applying what is now known of personal hygiene. This statement was made by the Roosevelt conservation commission in its report on national vitality. The findings of the commission reversed the impressions of a generation ago that the average human lifetime was a fixed allotment decreed by fate. It teaches now that our doom is a variable thing and that it is more or less in our power to control.

Learning how to live is the secret of how one may add fifteen years to his life. Individual hygiene, or the hygiene of personal habits, according to the commission, contains possibilities of self-improvement far beyond what ninety-nine persons out of a hundred have ever realized. In other words, only 1 per cent of people today know how to live. The other 99 per cent are victims of improper living habits and the customs of our boasted civilization. They have not learned to order their lives according to their physical needs. They are content to tolerate bad air, bad food, imperfect teeth, wrong posture, improper clothing, constipation, self drugging, alcoholism and other conditions of the average life.

The 99 per cent who have not learned how to live, says the commission, are responsible for the increase of 41 per cent in the country's death rate from wear and tear diseases in twenty years. Wear and tear diseases are said to be the byproduct of civilization, not that civilization is all wrong, but that people have not yet learned to adjust their habits of living to its demands.

STORY OF A REVIVAL HYMN.

The "Glory Song" Was Not Written For Financial Gain.

Nothing can be more inspiring than to hear a great congregation singing Charles H. Gabriel's revival hymn, known as the "Glory Song." It is one of the most recent of the hymns of its character, having made its appearance in 1909.

The author was born in the early fifties of the past century, in Iowa, and spent his earlier years on a farm in that state. His melodies are popular.

During the early summer of 1900, while bicycle riding with a Chicago publisher for whom he was at the time preparing manuscript, he said to him, "I've got a song that is going to live!" He then gave the title of and made brief quotation from "O that will be glory."

It will doubtless be of interest to state that its author received only \$10 for the copyright and sole use of it, and this illustrates the fact that gospel songs are not always written for gain.

Charles M. Alexander, the singing evangelist of Torrey-Alexander fame, has made the "Glory Song" famous wherever the English language is spoken.

Alexander states that to his knowledge the "Glory Song" has been translated into at least fifteen languages and three Indian languages.—Detroit Free Press.

Thrived on Stone Diet.

The most curious of all diets is that of stones. In an old volume of the Gentleman's Magazine I read the other day of the discovery of the stone eater "in a northern inhabited island" by the crew of a Dutch ship. They brought him to France in May, 1790, where he was submitted to all kinds of artificial tests. It was proved that he thrived better on stones than any other food, and his dinner usually consisted of large sized flints, with powdered marbles for dessert. He became a great attraction at fashionable gatherings, where he amused the guests by swallowing stones and afterward convincing them that there was no deception by making them rattle in his stomach.—Dundee Advertiser.

The Secret.

"You know that car I bought last month," began the purchaser. "Yes. What of it?" asked the dealer. "Isn't it a good car?" "I've seen worse ones, but it comes a long way from being what your agent represented it to be." "Of course it does. Why, man alive, if our cars were as good as that we wouldn't need to employ agents to sell them."—New York World.

A Diamond Room.

An eccentric character died in London a few years ago at the age of ninety-one. Long before his death he ordered his own coffin and had it placed in his bedroom, which was hung, by way of pictures, with the funeral cards of his friends. This preparation seems to have had the effect of longevity on the old man, for in spite of his gressome foresight he lived long beyond the usual span.

Excusable.

"Remember," said the floorwalker sternly, "the customer is always right." "But, sir," expostulated the clerk, "in this case I was exercising a privilege to which I am entitled." "What do you mean?" "The lady I was arguing with is my wife."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

An Explanation.

"I wonder what the author meant who talked about silence that speaks." "I guess he meant what you don't hear when deaf and dumb people talk."—Baltimore American.

By anything we endure patiently is a key to something beautiful we could never enter otherwise.

CLOTHES DO COUNT.

They Don't Make a Man, but They Cover Nine-tenths of Him.

Clothes do make a difference. They shouldn't, of course, for real worth has nothing to do with clothes. But we who meet folk casually must judge very often by appearance. Margaret E. Sangster, Jr., writes in the Christian Herald.

A girl with a blouse on that is fastened by a safety pin instead of a button is very often labeled "sloppy" in our minds, although her character may be beautiful. A man with a week's mud on his shoes is not very likely to be given a responsible position, because it is quite logical to figure out that a man who neglects his shoes will neglect his work too. Perhaps the man, despite his shoes, is a very conscientious worker. But how can the casual observer know?

Many perfect housekeepers may wear flannel wrappers to the breakfast table; but, though their homes may be immaculate and their children wonderfully brought up, if I were a man choosing the woman to trust with my home and children I'd be inclined to search for the woman who looked fresh and crisp and dainty and smiling as she poured my morning coffee.

"Clothes do not make a man." So runs the old adage. But, adds a modern clothing advertisement, "they cover nine-tenths of him!"

BIG INTEREST IN MUSIC.

Educators Now Recognize Its Far-reaching Cultural Value.

An intelligent interest in music of the higher order is everywhere increasing. Well rounded educators have long since recognized the far-reaching cultural value of musical art. There is no complete education without music. That is an outstanding fact in the most enlightened countries of Europe. Music is now coming to be appreciated by all individuals identified with school or college work in America.

Like all spiritual things, harmony has its psychology. More, it has its grammar and its rules of analysis and construction. Melody that stirs the emotions is the unadorned language of the soul. Harmony is intellectual to the last degree, but melody and harmony united contribute to the true and the beautiful as no other educational force does.

Hence it is that all institutions of learning are giving so much attention to the serious study of music, especially theory and composition. Some of the choicest literature published in recent years has been on musical topics. The universities are making a feature of lectures on music more than ever.—Birmingham Age-Herald.

An Oriental Ruse.

It was on Aug. 21, 1103, that Abdunumen Ibn Ali was elected sultan of eastern Africa by the following stratagem: Having trained a parrot and a lion, he assembled the chiefs in his tent and urged upon them the naming of a ruler of their growing empire. In the midst of their deliberations the parrot perched himself upon one of the poles of the tent and pronounced distinctly, "Victory and power to the lot of the Khalif Abdunumen, commander of the faithful." The lion then made his way through the terrified assembly, licked Abdul's hand and lay down at his feet. Deeply impressed with this wonder and the manifest interference of heaven, the natives unanimously proclaimed him sultan.

Old Wall Street.

Wall street in the days when Washington was the first president of the United States, when Alexander Hamilton and Aaron Burr were rivals at the bar, was perhaps the most popular and populous thoroughfare in New York. It was so named because it followed the line of the city's first defensive stockade or "wall," and throughout its length were enacted many scenes that are part of the nation's larger history.

Room at the Top.

Little Jennie had been eating very heartily, but she asked for another piece of cake. "Jennie," said her mother, "I don't believe I ought to give it to you. You are about as full as a little girl can possibly be. Another mouthful and you'll surely burst." "But, mamma, my neck's left yet!" said the little girl persuasively.—Exchange.

Beat Him to It.

"Did you tell your boss that you'd stupily have to have a raise? Did you tell him that you were wearing last year's clothes?" "No; he forestalled me with a long wall about the horrors of having to use a last season's car."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Incurably Ill.

"So you say you no longer sleep of nights? Why don't you consult a doctor?" "It would do no good. It's not insomnia that keeps me awake; it's the baby."—Baltimore American.

The Correct Word.

"Old Brown won't live long. He has one foot in the grave already." "You mean one foot in the grave." "No; he's going to be cremated."—Boston Transcript.

Quite Lively.

City Boy—But is it not a bit lonesome here? Country Boy—Oh, not at all. Why, only yesterday I was almost run over by an automobile with six people in it.—Life.

The man who does you a wrong has need of pity.

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BIG VICTORY OF LOCAL DEALERS

How One Iowa Town Checked Catalogue Houses.

BEGAN BY REFUSING CREDIT

Old Lady, Daughter About to Be Married, Couldn't Buy Wedding Present, Others Who Patronized Mail Order Business Unable to Find Market For Wares.

[Copyrighted, 1914, by Thomas J. Sullivan.] It is not victory that makes the joy of noble hearts, but the combat. The greater the obstacle the more glory in overcoming it, and difficulties are but the maids of honor to set off the virtue.

The effects of competition are wonderful. There are men who rise refreshed on hearing of a threat—men to whom a crisis which intimidates and paralyzes the majority comes graceful and beloved as a bride. Competition inflames the enthusiast and drives him on to action.

The Making of Men. It is not ease, but effort; not facility, but difficulty, that makes men. There is perhaps no station in life in which difficulties have not been encountered and overcome before any decided measure of success was achieved.

Recognizing the retail catalogue house as a worthy foe, a competitor, the local retail merchant, in preparing for battle must take an inventory of his many advantages over the mail order house.

First and foremost, he is always working among friends and acquaintances. The mail order house must always work as a stranger. Did any one ever suggest to him before that perhaps he neglected or overlooked many things important to business success?

An Iowa Cure For Bad Habit. I am not an adept at suggestions, so will refrain from making any, but will tell of a plan that worked out successfully in an Iowa town.

The merchants of that town were being imposed upon by mail order buyers and organized for their own protection and determined to cancel all favors and credit heretofore extended to those offending citizens.

It developed that the first applicant was a lady who had recently purchased a sewing machine from a catalogue house. Her daughter was about to be married, and she wished to present her with a parlor set as a present and, finding her husband short of ready money, asked credit from the local dealer.

The Dealer Politely Declined. The dealer politely declined, advising that no doubt the mail order house of Chicago from which she purchased her sewing machine would be most happy to extend to her the desired credit.

The good lady, somewhat perturbed, hurried over to the other furniture dealer. Here she met with the same suggestion. "I am sure the mail order house will grant you all the time you ask," said the merchant.

The lady knew different, though, for she had read the catalogue and remembered it said "Cash in advance." Mail Order House Doesn't Buy Eggs. When Mrs. Farmer, who had offended, came to town with butter and eggs the grocer said: "Really, Mrs. Farmer, the butter is fine, and the eggs are fresh, but I am not needing any today. I would suggest, though, that you send them to a Chicago mail order house. It will doubtless be delighted to receive them in exchange for another box of groceries such as you purchased from it last week."

Mrs. Farmer straightened herself up, gave the merchant a look which meant that there were more groceries in town and started out to find them. She did, and they gave her the same advice she received at the first place.

The Turn About Game. Farmer Independent drove a load of corn to town and was offered about 6 cents less than the market price. He protested. The grain man suggested that maybe the mail order house of

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