Many of These Will Be Taken From CivilLife -- And NowIs Your Chance of a Lifetime, if You Hanker for the Glitter of An Officer's Career -- No Matter Whether You Have Ever Touched Musket or Sword or Not, if You Have Sufficient Education Uncle Sam Will Soon Teach You Tactics After You Have Been Commissioned--Graduates of Universities and Military Schools Preferred. Just What to Do to Get In--Exam-

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In the filling of these vacancles—ac-oording to the law and the prophets— preference over the man in civil life must be given to the soldier in the ranks if the latter's "fitness for promo-tion shall have been determined by competitive examination." But the chances in this exceptional year appear to be that 150 civilians will be needed after the men who work up from the ranks have qualified. So there now are exceptional opportunities for our are exceptional opportunities for our young men who have never shouldered a musket or flourished a saber in the paid service of the U. S. A.

How to Get There.

There are lots of ins and outs to be nderstood before you can get even so far as the examination room. The first step is the filing of an application with the Adjutant-General of the Army at Washington. This done, you are merely an "applicant for designation," and it rests with the War Department whether

artillery. If you would become an in-fantry, cavairy or field artillery lleu-tenant the preliminary test will in-clude English grammar and orthogra-phy, algebra, geometry and trigo-nometry, geography and history. But if you would enter the coast artillery the examination in mathematics will be

-differential and integral. In all cases a showing in mathematics will count you much more than proficiency in the other subjects. If you do not make a general average of .70 you are down and out at your first pitfall. This ordeal of the preliminary ex-amination you will entirely escape if you can prove yourself a graduate of either a "recognized" college or uni-versity, or of a college or school that is essentially military and to which an officer of the regular army is detailed as a professor of military science and tactice. tactice But whatever your educational ad-

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vanced mathematics, electricity or me-chanics, as you may elect; also the Constitution of the United States, the

Constitution of the United States, the organization of the government and the elements of international law. But if you choose to become a lieu-tenant of cavalry, field artillery or in-fantry, your examination will be en-tirely different, save in the subjects of Constitution government and interof Constitution, government and inter-national law. You must qualify in general history, elementary French, German or Spanish and such of the fol-German or Spanish and such of the top-lowing "advanced optional subjects" as you may choose: Calculus and analy-tical geometry, or "a thorough work-ing knowledge of any modern lan-guage," such as covered by a four-guage," such as covered by a fouryear course at a university, or "a gen-

U.S. ARTSY DOST astride of a nag upon whose back you must trot and canter around a ring, while a "supplementary board" of officers takes notes upon your ability to weather the journey. The physical test is your second pit-fall, and unless you escape it it were futile to pass on to the line officers who await to give you your final mental examination, which, too, will vary according to whether you wish to enter the mobile army or the coast artiliery. astride of a nag upon whose back you | had three years' creditable service in

HOUSE FOR MARRIED, LIEUTENANTS

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handling of troops. If the service with the later is your min, the examination will include ele-mentary electricity, mechanics and chemistry; and in addition either adceive a 10 per cent increase, raising the total of \$1865.83 per year. A year or two later, in the ordinary course of events, you would be promoted to the grade of First Lieutenant, drawing \$2000 during your first five years, \$2183.33 during your second five years and \$2300 during your third five years in this rank, at which you are, under present arrange at ments, liable to stick for from 10 to 18 yeara

Salary Meager in Middle Life,

In other words, 20 years hence, when You are along in your 40s or perhaps mighty near to your 50s, you will prob-ably be entitled to only \$2200 a year. Even upon becoming a Captain you will get only \$2400 to begin with, and when you are a Major and Lieutenant-Colonal

tion-he begins post life in bachelor quarters-a two-room and bath apartprobably in the officers' club building.

But when he marries he is assigned to a "Lieutenant's house," which-at the modern post-is a semi-detached cottage

modern post-is a semi-detached cottage with three family chambers on the sec-ond floor and two servants' bedrooms on the third, besides a snig arrangement of parlor, reception hall, dining-room and kitchen below. Serving away from a post, he is al-lowed "commutation for quarters," amounting to \$12*per month per room with a maximum allowance of two rooms, or \$24 per month, which, when he becomes a First Lieutenant, is in he becomes a First Lieutenant, is in creased to a three-room maximum, or \$38 per month, and so on up through the grades, as in the case of post houses, which increase in size and elaboration as an officer is promoted.

Perquisites That Help.

And at the same time that he is separated from his post--as when on special duty in Washington, for example-the Lieutenant also receives a monthly allowance for gas bills and coal, which the nearest Quartermaster

coal, which the nearest Quartermaster may furnish him at a slight reduction on the commercial rate. If a mounted officer, owning his horse, he is allowed \$170 a year for his keep-\$200 if he provides two steads at his own expense. And while he serves in the Philippines or else-where outside the United States, except in Porto Rico or Hawaii, he is allowed a 10 per cent increase in his regular salary.

If he dies in the line of duty his widow will receive a half of his next year's uncarned pay, hesides a service year's uncerned pay, besides a service pension of from \$12 to \$18 per month as long as she lives. And wherever he dies he will be entitled to a free fu-neral, with doleful music, a bang of guns and a parade thrown in. But, despite these various perquis-tion the officer who has neither a

But, despite these various perquis-ites, the officer who has neither a "nest exgs" of his own nor a rich spouse to help pay the bills soon faces the realization that the social stand-ards of living are more extravagant at army posts than in private life. Even the hachelor subaltern must make con-tinual return for the constant round of entertainment which he receives at the post club. Uniforms are a considerable drain upon his purse. for he has to post club. Uniforms are a considerable drain upon his purse, for he has to maintain a complete civilian outfit in addition. Then the repeated movings from post to post to which officers are subjected prove to be a tax upon their purse, for, as the old adage has it, "three movings are as bad as a fire."

The married officer at frontier posts or upon foreign duty finds no proper schools for his children, who must be schools for his children, who must be placed in boarding schools at a cost of from \$700 to \$1000 apiece per annum. Such expenses leave a very small mar-gin, if any, for life insurance, that they may be provided for above the pension pittance, that would not supply their widowed mothers with pin money.

Secure, Leisurely, Social.

Yet the career is secure and leisurely, promising extraordinary social advantages. Every army officer's wife is expected to call, at least once & year, upon every other military matron in upon every other military matron in her community, and these opportunities of mesting people are further enhanced by the constant changes of post. Even if he has the prospect of drawing only short 5250 rhow her build about \$2500 when he is still a captain, past 50, the army officer usually shows his wife and family the breadth of the

world, if not its length. These social advantages account in large part for the exalted ego of some men and women of the army and navy

"Yes, my dear, they are all rightfor civilians," the wife of an officer at one of our posts was lately overheard to say.

But outside the pale of the post itself the glimmer of the sword and straps and the glitter of the braid and buttons do not blind the civilian to

eminence in the favor of milady fair, a career of fuss and feathers, brass buttons and gold lace; the guarantee of a home and salary, so long as you shall live honorably, and, brass band thrown in-young man, hankereth thou for these?

If dost, sit up now and take lively notice-likewise nota bene! For if you are still enjoying single blessedness and are neither under one-and-twenty, nor above one score and seven; if you can stretch up to five feet four in your maked feet and tip the beam in accordance with your stature; if you can exhibit a chest bellows that has a manand expansion for aught that you know, you may be

TITLE before your name, pre- ; one of the 150 lucky fellows upon whom plication must state your date of birth will now be heaped the honors and glories of such a picturesque career.

As a result of the recent increase of that service the Army now finds it-self short over 158 more second lieutenwhen you die, a free funeral with a to fill these vacancies appointments will have to be made from enlisted men in the ranks and from elligible young as near to your home as the Depart-in the ranks and from elligible young

The fine ranks and from engine young men in civil life. On September 5 the final examination for all candidates will be held at the various millitary posts throughout the country, and if you are a citizen of the United States answering the require-ments specified—also some more in the ments specified-also some more in the bargain-now, perhaps, is your chance to add a military handle to your name and to earn-suitable for framing and hanging upon the wall-an engraved commission signed by the President of

citizenship, marital status and the branch of the service in which you aspire to become an officer-whether the infantry, cavalry, field or coast ar tillery. Then if your statement is satis-tory you will be authorized to report for examination at some military post

The course of sprouts through which you must now be put will depend upon the diplomas which you can show. If you cannot prove yourself a graduate of a first-class university or military college—if you are a mere graduate of the university of experience or the col-lege of hard knocks—you must, before lege of hard knocks-you must, before September 5, run the gauntlet of a "preliminary mental examination" dif-

Searching Physical Test.

First will come a careful physical test to determine whether you are big and strong enough to uphold the honor

of the army and fight your nation's battles. In addition to proving up to all of the physical standards required of recruits enlisting in the ranks you

of recruits enlisting in the ranks you will have to show that your degree of vision is good and that you are not color blind for red. green or violet. In the vission test your eyes must show a degree "leas than 20-40," the mean-ing of which any oculist or optician can readily explain, thus perhaps, sav-ing you the trouble and expense of taking the final test. taking the final test.

Should you apply for a commission n the mounted service-the cavalry fering according to whether you aspire in the mounted service-the cavairy atter them will be rated and colleges (essentially to enter the mobile army or the coast or field artillery-you will be put military) and all young men having

guage or English literature," which as-sumes familiarity with the great authors from Chaucer down through Ste-venson. Before being "designated" for examination by the Adjutant-Genfor examination by the Abutant-Order eral you must inform him as to which of these optional subjects you wish to be examined upon. All making .85 or over in the whole mental examination will be graded in three lists.

These Will Be Favored.

Every year certain of the big millitary schools and colleges, having pro fessors from the Regular Army, desig-nate each an "honor graduate." Such of these as pass the examination will be given the first commissions, and Of course, there is even the remote pos-after them will be favored all gradu-sibility of reaching a Lieutenant-Gen-

sibility of reaching a Lieutenant-Generalship at \$11,000. If unattached-as he must be upon en

you are a Major and Lieutens you can start out with only \$3000 and \$3500. If things continue to drift along as now you will be within a few years proportions, especially in these times of peace. Except during periods of war, worship of the soldier is almost of your forced retirement when you at-tain the rank of Colonel, with an in-itial salary of \$4000. Then you will be retired as a Brigadier-General at \$4500 for the remainder of your life. It must be added, however, that by the

"By George, I'm all ablaze! Confound

"Oh, you'll burn to death! Oh, Jimmy

"I knew I'd need that rope! I'll never

examine me, and see how many layers deep that fire burned!" "You're only scorched a little. Won't

you help me do the dishes?" ' "Hm, that won't take long. One ket-

"No, let's go to bed now, we've go

"Weil, I am terribly sleepy, too." "T'm all in-never worked so hard

"So am I, but this ground is so hard.

"Oh, dear, I can't sieep. I hear something in the bushes, Jimmy." More snores. "Wake up. Jimmy, something awful's

tle and one knife."

Jimmy, are you asleep?"

-I'm so sl-

wholly feminine, commencing in the kitchen and ending in the boudoir. Moreover, it is the growing temper of Moreover, it is the growing temper of the taxpayer to regard the military man as only a necessary evil, fast ap-proaching the status of an unnecessary burden, and the young citizen who by next month's competition suddenly finds himself metamorphosed into a gaudy subaltern should gird on his trusty blade in full appreciation of the fact that no civilian outside of knick-erbockers or petticoats will stand in any awe of him whatsoever until he proves his metile in the fast narrowing sifting-out system of enforced retire-ments the Army hopes to greatly relieve this stagnation, and if this proves a suc cess there will be a better chance for the civilian who now earns a Lieutenantey in his early 20s to become a Bri gadier-General on the active list at \$5000, or even a Major-General at \$5000. proves his mettle in the fast narrowing field of his endeavors. (Copyright, 1911, by John Elfreth Wat-

kins.)

it off like we used to do the freshies'

"Oh, dear, do you suppose-"" "By George, there it goes-that light

streak way down the road. I'll find the mucker that did it." "Why Jimmy-you know-you know that long rope that kept dangling at-

"Well, I-I-I got to worrying about Jennie running off, you know, and-and I tied it to the end of her rope-and-Rand-I didn't want her to run sway-"

tie one of those guy ropes to my leg and then you would have had the

Well! Jennie can go plum to-

"You ninny! Unless she took the

"Yamhill County for all I care! I'm

"Oh! aren't you going to catch her and get our mice new tent back?" "T'm sleepy, I tell you! I don't care a red poker chip what she does with the tent. Let me alone."

"But it's moonlight." "Don't care! Hope the man in the moon drops down and runs off with

you, too, then I'll be left in peace with no worldly goods but my pajamas! Give

him my blessing, but warn him not to

"Jimmy, you're just as mean as you

"All right. Don't talk to me then,

"Well, anyway, you said you were going to move the tent tomorrow, so it isn't so bad after all-we can go

"I just want to say that-isn't camping perfectly exciting?" "Curses, yes!!!" MAX KELLY,

bedclothes. But who the dickens-

at the front of the tent-

whole camp to yourself!" "Don't Jimmy."

go out camping with you."

Go to sleep. I'm going."

where Jennie leaves it.'

Peaceful snore. "Did you hear, Jimmy?" Double-barreled snore.

"Oh, hang, yes, I heard." "Jimmy, I just want to----" "Huh?"

away-

"Jimmy!

can be.'

going to sleep."

-oh-oh-h-h! Sit down in this pail of whole shooting match! Why didn't you tie one of those guy ropes to my leg

660 H. Jimmy, I think it is perfectly mare which some idiots call a tent, see right now, Fil have no supper to-but I think Fm under the upper left. night " "Gar. my head nearly trees, and those dear little birds twit-There's no wind-some one's snaked

n't use to believe you when you hand portion of the middle ridge near said it was such great fun, but now I the fly or awning, and would like to know. Do look at that lovely sunset be dug out or have food sent down to with?" effect through those green fir trees, me p. d. q." and

hungry enough to eat both horses, talls and all!"

"Oh, so am L I just love camping! Isn't it exciting? What shall we have

to eat, Jimmy?" "Food."

"No, but really-

"Well, some bacon and eggs, potatoes and gravy, a little pork and beans on the side, some bread and jam, coffee and doughnuts-

"Oh, lavely, lovely, but you'll have to start the fire, and show me about that iron thing. You know I never went camping before."

"That's right, but you'll soon get wise to the game. Here, I'll fix up some stones to rest the corners of the sheet This is much better than a fron on. camp stove. You see, it's two feet square and that gives you lots of room,

and it's easy to build a fire under it." "You always have such perfectly wonderful ideas, Jimmy. But won't I burn my fingers every time I pull it off the fire to put more wood on?"

'No, no; just stuff the wood underneath like a fireplace. I'll be back in a minute, I must finish putting up the tent.

"Oh, look at the leaves waving in the wind, and just see that daring little

chipmunk. He looks so-so-" "Chipper, sh? Better get busy with that muck-a-muck. Did we bring the

"I don't know. You said you'd look after the packing yourself. Oh. this fire sinckes so, I 'm nearly blind." "Never mind. I'll fix that in a minute

for you. Come here and help me with this confounded tent." "I will, Jimmy, but where are you, fear? I can hear your volce, but_____" "Well, I've no pocket map of this likely to get things all balled up. I "Well, I've no pocket map of this likely to get things all balled up. I

out!

"Well, I can't find you, and this tent "Cut out the rhapsodies now, and get is so heavy to lift. Oh, dear, I've stum-that free lunch counter started. I'm bled over those old ropes! Do they

need so many?" "Gad. yes, those are guy ropes, Ethell Take the place of the manufacturer, who'd like to be here grinning his head off at my efforts! I know now where we get the expression, fall guy. I'm it, all right."

"Oh, there you are, Jimmy, with your hair all full of dry grass and

ferns. How funny you look." "Well, get to work at that corner, will you? You're not playing peek-a-boo with the Brockhurst kid!"

"Why, I though you said this tent was self-adjustable when you bought

"So it is! It wrapped me up in itself "So it is! It wrapped me up in itself like a mummy the first shot out of the box, and if you don't do something mighty quick. Fill be branded as the first man on the Pacific Coast to wear a sheath skirt." "Ilmmy you are such a dear and so

"Jimmy, you are such a dear and so good natured. I dearly love this color for a tent, too. It just matches my knaki shirt and your suit, see? Oh, how soft and fleecy the clouds-" "Come out of the clouds and get down to business! Can't you hold up

"Come out of the clouds and get down to business! Can't you hold up that corner a little higher" "Oh, yes, dear. Which corner?" "Any corner, confound it, so we get something started. I never saw such hard ground to drive stakes in. I don't believe I'll do them all tonight." "What's that long rope hanging down in front for?" "Oh, that belongs to the awning. We won't put that up tonight. Be-sides, I may want it to hang myself with if things get much thicker around

"Oh, I'd forgotten! And the fire's Where's the paper to start it

"In the wood box at home, probably. Why didn't you think of that your-self? I can't remember everything." "Now, Jimmy, don't be cross. You self?

said you wanted to do all the pack-"Well, Fil whittle some shavings for

you, but don't use them all up on this one fire."

"No, of course not. Jimmy dear, isn't camping exciting? I can't find any coffee pot, though, Jimmy." "By jing! Well-never mind. Use that pail I had to water the horses. They'll never know the difference, and we don't care!"

"I should say not. I love toughing don't you? "Roughing it, you mean. Say, these

mosquitoes are "Oh, dear, there's no frying pan. How can we fry the eggs, Jimmy?" "Confound it! Didn't you-I mean-I-how did I happen to forget that? Have to boil them, I guess."

"Yes, that will be lovely. I'm so fond of bacon and hard-boiled eggs, aren't you?"

aren't you?" "Humph, not so as fou could hotice it! Don't forget to salt those eggs when you put them on." "Oh, no, I won't, Jimmy, just as soon as they come to a boll. I know that much, even if I'm not a good cook." "Learned that at cooking school, didn't won."" didn't you?"

"Oh, Jimmy, where are the potatoes? Tou surely haven't lost the potatoes?" "Have I lost my right arm? No. by jiminy, here they are—one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight of them, each wrapped in the fail and packed in a box with a Sheffield lock. Oh, you food for millionaires! You look good to me."

to me. "It was perfectly darling of you to

"Eight potatoes! What bliss! How ; much are they a pound now? Do you "There, you look very sweet in suppose the price is still coming up? purple.'

Sure, sure! That's the reason for eight of them. I thought we'd have one each day the week we're camping. and I count on the price being up so high when we get back, I'll just turn in the extra potato to pay for our livery bill!

ery bill." "Oh, Jimmy, you certainly have the most wonderful head for business." "Right you are! When it comes to fancy finance, I've got Lawson lashed to the mast, believe me!" "I should say you have. Oh, these mosquitos are killing me!" "See here. Where's the wash basin? I must wash before I eat." "Why, Jimmy, I'm cooking the beans

Why, Jimmy, I'm cooking the beans

in it. You know you-you brought so -so few kettles-"" "Never mind, give me the dish pan. That'll give my hands more elbow anyway!"

"Why, Jimmy, we-the milk is in the dishpan! I had to put it somewhere. you know, and then when the beans are gooked, I'll empty them out and put the

milk in that pan. "And then empty the dishpan. I sup-pose, to put the beans in! Well, cut out this ring-around-a-rosy business, and give me the water pail to wash in.

"No, don't you remember, we're mak-ing coffee in that?" "Say, by jiminy, we got to do some-thing about these mosquitoes, kid. Why didn't you bring along some mosquito

netting or something or other? "Why, Jimmy, I've never been camp-"Confound it, quit ing before, I didn't know you always that! I'll never-" "Oh, look, Jimmy,

"Well, you always do, by George, or rather, the mosquitoes have you. See, they're all over my wrists and hands and face. I can't stand this!"

"Oh, I know the very thing. I'll tear up my vell. See? Then we can the up our heads and arms. too." "Not for me! What'd I look like

"Not for me! What'd I look like with a vell switching around my ears? And a purple one, tee?" "Oh, but you'll have to. We can't mos-

"Oh, but you'll have to. We can't eat if we have to stop and brush mos-quitoes off every minute. Til cut a lit-tie place for your mouth, see?"

"And then stick a slice of bread in ! it, like you were mailing a letter, ch?" tering. "Great, but, say, isn't it warm this

evening? Come on so sudden, too: won-der if we're going to have a thunder "Makes me think of that versestorm.

never saw a purple cow, I never want to see one —only I'd like to, if that's all the milk we got over there." "Yes, and that has to last us two days" "Oh, Jimmy, you're all on fire-your dish apron's on fire! You're sitting ow it! Oh, what'll I do-what'll I ever do?"

days.

"Well, now can we sit down and eat? "Well, now can we sit down and eat? I'm starved. Ha! I see our potato has me skinned for politeness. It has its jacket on, bless its little heart! And me in my shirt sleeves!

these women fixings! How do you get the blamed thing off?" "Jimmy, you must let me tie a dish apron around you. That's the only shirt you brought and you mustn't have

it ruined the first night." "Well, hurry up about it. Now can We cat?

go camping with a woman again! Put a crazy apron on me, and then run the strings under that sheat iron like the "Yes, dear. Won't everything taste good?-Oh, I love camping, it's so exciting."

"Jines of a firecracker-" "Jinmy, dear, I'm so sorry." "Sorry you spolled the pan of milk, I suppose! If there's a bounty for put-ting out forest fires, I'll apply. Say, "Here, give me your plate. Where are the knives and forks? Give me a spoon for these beans, little one."

"Why, Jimmy!" "Why, Ethel!"

Why

What?

"Why, Jimmy, I haven't-I haven't seen any spoons, or forks, or anything but the knife I cut the bacon with-

that big butcher knife-"Do you mean to te to tell me that

"Yes, but we have to put all the sat-ables away." came off without any knives or forks or spoons!" "Well, you said you knew just what to get up early in the morning and move this tent somewhere. Too many

one horse got

"Oh, look, Jimmy, one horse got loose and is going off." "No, no, she's all right. That's Jen-nie, she won'f go far while the other horse is tied up, so I give her a little more range." "I don't mind eating with my fingers, do you'? Really, camping is so-"

do you? Really, camping is so-" "Seems to me I smell burned rags!"

"Year I do, too." "Did you drop your handkerchief near the fire, or the dish rag?" "No, I forgot to bring a handkerchief. But, ch. isn't it just lovely to go camp-ing? Do listen to the wind in the