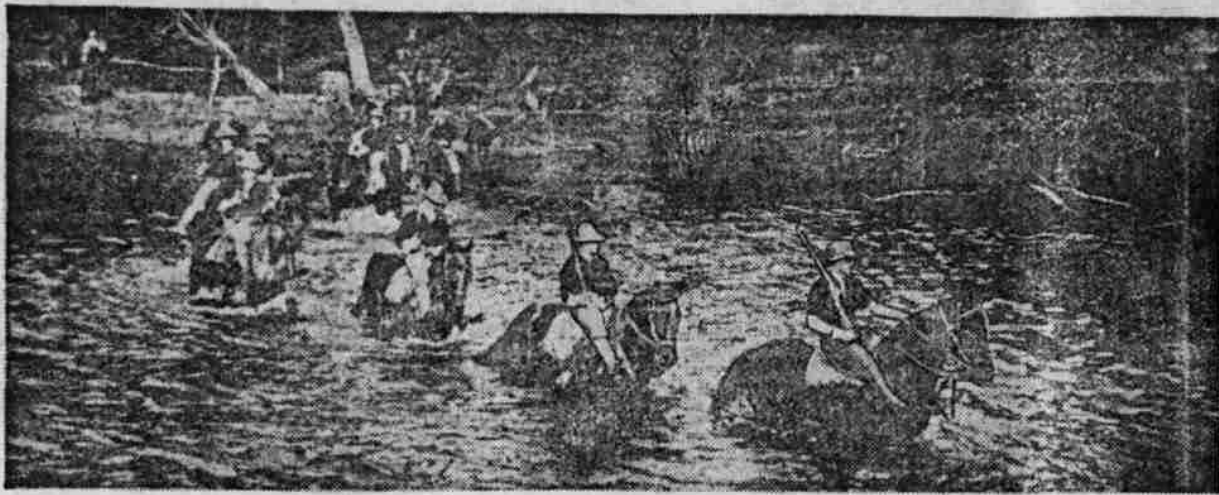


THE TRAINING OF UNITED STATES CAVALRY CADETS.



BLACK HORSE TROOP FORDING A STREAM.

Although the United States Government supports but one national military academy it encourages military training in a number of other schools and colleges by detailing to these institutions officers of the army and navy. These subsidiary military schools are of three kinds. There is, first the state school which receives financial aid from the state government and is regarded as a part of its military establishment. A notable example of this class of schools is the Virginia Military Institute, famous as the West Point of the Confederacy, and now enjoying the distinction of having more of its graduates in the United States Army than any other school or college. The second class comprises the agricultural and mechanical colleges which have received donations of land from the government and which under the terms of these grants are required to give instruction in tactics. Private military schools may be considered as



PYRAMID OF CADETS.

fed schools varies from the two or three hours per week of drill or lectures in schools and colleges with military departments to the daily routine of the essentially military institutions in which the cadets live in barracks under constant discipline, march to classes and to meals, and receive a course of theoretical and practical military training which takes as its model and approximates as closely as can be done in a private or state institution to the superb course of training at the National Academy at West Point. Even in colleges in which the course is most limited a large number of young men receive each year at least a general idea of drill, discipline, and the art of war, while from the essentially military schools some hundreds of cadets are turned out annually who are thoroughly disciplined and well instructed in the care and handling of troops and who will in time of war prove thoroughly competent officers of volunteers. Thus somewhat the same results are obtained from the military schools, though, of course, on a smaller scale, as from the compulsory military training of European countries. Great attention is paid to horsemanship. Indeed, there is nothing that could be more delightful for a boy than to have a horse of his own and to be taught all sorts of feats such as these pictures illustrate.



A COSSACK RIDING EXERCISE.

forming the third class. These schools use military training because of its value as an educational instrument. The course of instruction in the class-

HOUSE OF CEMENT.

Maine Man Made Himself a Home After an Entirely New Pattern.

In Belfast, Me., there is a house, built by Frank Hoag, believed by the builder and citizens of that place to be the only one of the kind on earth. Aside from the blasting and digging for the cellar, the house was built by Mr. Hoag himself. The entire outside, the Boston Globe says, is of cement, the mixing of the component parts being undertaken after long study of the subject. Mr. Hoag finished the inside of the house first. This being done, he lathed the whole outside with wire screen stuff, such as is used for fencing chicken pens. This was firmly fastened. The studding was close, and when the wire was on it gave a rigid surface on sides, ends and the slopes of the roof.

Over this layer of wire he spread a first coat of cement. It was well pressed on, so that it oozed through the meshes of the wire for a clinching hold. When this first coating was thoroughly set another and a heavier one was spread over the surface. Shingle effects were fashioned on the gables, and on the roof the cement was shaped and lined, to give an appearance of slating. Then over the whole outside was laid a finishing veneer of cement paint.

The house is as tight as a bottle. It is impervious to heat or cold, or leak of rain; and, as its foundation is a solid ledge, it can defy the frost to wrestle with it. Mr. Hoag says the cost of building was about the same as wooden construction would have been, but he says there is no great number of repairs.

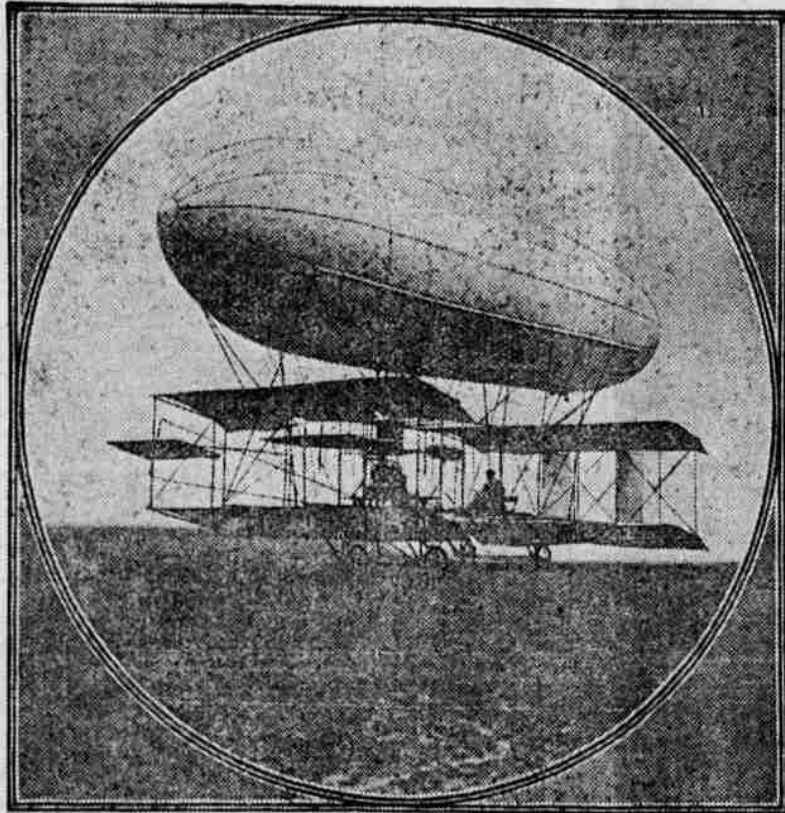
Littlest Father.

The woman who came to clean up was telling how she left her boy to take care of the baby. The boy was two and one-half years old. The baby was six months.

"That's the youngest little father I ever heard of," said the flat dweller she was cleaning up for. "Do you lock them in?"

"Yes," said the cleaning woman. "Poor little fellow," said the flat dweller. "Locked in to burn in case of fire! Some day when you are cleaning up for me I want to go over and see that little father, who ought to be in the cradle himself, taking care of the six-months-old baby. I want to just sit there and look on awhile. Poor little fellow!"—Chicago Inter Ocean

COMBINED BALLOON-AEROPLANE.



NEW FRENCH DIRIGIBLE-BIPLANE IS CONSIDERED ABSOLUTELY SAFE.

A series of aeroplane trials which have been taking place at Issy-les-Moulineaux, the well-known aviation center in France, have been marked by the novel feature of a combination of the dirigible with the gas bag, and the trials are being watched by aviators with the keenest interest. The above illustration shows the tandem biplane belonging to M. Cesar making a flight. It has a cigar-shaped envelope and is fitted with a 50-horse power Prissi and Bertahud motor.—London Sphere.

Trapped.

The man was neither neatly nor well dressed. He was plainly a tramp, begging, and had just turned away from one passer-by when he saw a young man walking briskly toward him. "Please, mister," said the tramp, "can you give us a dime to get something to eat with?"

The young man stopped. "What's the matter?" he asked. "Can't get work," said the other, glibly. "I haven't had a bite to eat since yesterday morning. Pawned all my clothes, 'cepting these. Slept under a wharf for a week, and I don't know anybody in the whole city—honest, I don't."

The young man looked at the

tramp's smooth face, over which a razor had evidently passed very recently.

"Who shaved you this morning?" he asked, and as the beggar faded away the young man grinned, and walked on down the street.

Greatly Overestimated.

Hewitt—Half the world doesn't know how the other half lives. Jewitt—I think you overestimate the number of people who mind their own business.—Brooklyn Life.

We have noticed that when a woman goes to visit a dear old friend, she stays longer if the friend has a new automobile than if the friend has a cross baby

FASHION HINTS



Navy blue marquisette trimmed in white foulard, thickly dotted with navy blue—it was a little dress that made one marvel at its simplicity and style. In one word it was "satisfying."

IN OLD VIRGINIA.

Blue Laws of Cavaliers Much More Strict Than Those of Puritans.

The blue laws of the Puritans weren't in it with the blue laws of old Virginia, though it has always been supposed that the cavaliers of the southland cared more for high living and frivolity than for good behavior and order. In 1662 the following laws were enacted in that State:

Every person who refuses to have his child baptized by a lawful minister (Church of England) shall be amerced 2,000 pounds of tobacco, half to the parish, half to the informer.

To steal or unlawfully kill any hog that is not his own the offender shall pay to the owner 1,000 pounds of tobacco and as much to the informer, and in case of inability to pay shall serve as a slave two years, one to the owner, one to the informer.

No marriage shall be reputed valid in law but such as is made by a minister according to the laws of England. The minister who doth marry contrary to this act shall be fined 10,000 pounds of tobacco.

If a married woman shall slander a person the woman shall be punished by ducking, and if the damages shall be adjudged more than 500 pounds of tobacco her husband shall pay, or the woman receive a ducking for every 500 pounds so adjudged against her husband if he refuse to pay the tobacco.

Enacted that the Lord's Day be kept holy and no journeys or work done thereon, and all persons inhabiting in this country shall resort every Sunday to church and abide there quietly and orderly during the common prayers and preaching, upon the penalty of being fined 50 pounds of tobacco.

Any person inhabiting this country and entertaining a Quaker in or near his house shall, for every time of such entertainment, be fined 5,000 pounds of tobacco, half to the county, half to the informer.

Every master of a vessel that shall bring any Quakers to reside here after July 1 of this year shall be fined 5,000 pounds of tobacco, to be levied by distress and sale of his goods, and he then shall be made to carry him, her or them out of the country again.

The court in every county shall set up near the Court House, in a public and convenient place, a pillory, a pair of stocks, a whipping post and a ducking stool. Otherwise the court shall be fined 5,000 pounds of tobacco.

Fact Versus Theory.

"The teacher of one of the rooms in a school in the suburbs of Cleveland had been training her pupils in anticipation of a visit from the school commissioner," said George S. Wells of Pittsburg at the Shoreham. "At last he came and the classes were called out to show their attainments.

"The arithmetic class was the first called, and in order to make a good impression the teacher put the first question to Johnny Smith, the star pupil.

"Johnny, if coal is selling at \$6 a ton and you pay the coal dealer \$24, how many tons of coal will he bring you?"

"Three," was the prompt reply from Johnny.

"The teacher, much embarrassed, said, 'Why, Johnny, that isn't right.' "Oh, I know it ain't, but they do it anyhow."

Household Remedy

Taken in the Spring for Years.

Ralph Rust, Willis, Mich., writes: "Hood's Sarsaparilla has been a household remedy in our home as long as I can remember. I have taken it in the spring for several years. It has no equal for cleansing the blood and expelling the humors that accumulate during the winter. Being a farmer and exposed to bad weather, my system is often affected, and I often take Hood's Sarsaparilla with good results." Hood's Sarsaparilla is Peculiar to Itself. There is no "just as good." Get it today in usual liquid form or tablets called Sarsatabs.

His Good Work.

The director of a prison received an order after many years' service. He had all the prisoners called together and made the following speech to them:

"As you see, I have been decorated, by royal grace, with an order. But I willingly acknowledge that this has been attained not alone by my own merits, but by the co-operation of all of us. I can also declare, with pleasure, that since I have occupied this office the number of prisoners has increased from 400 to 700—a fact of which both you and I may be justly proud."—London Tit-Bits.

How He Remembered.

"No, Dickey; I can't let you go fishing to-day. You want to go entirely too often."

"Maw, the last time I went fishin' was three weeks ago yisterdy."

"Surely that wasn't the last time, Dickey."

"Yes, it was, maw. I remember it 'cause that was the day you held me in 'the bathtub an' made me take a bath."

Record Sale of Paintings.

The public auction of the Yerkes collection of paintings at New York has broken all American records for high prices, the Turner "Rockets and Blue Lights" bringing \$129,000 and the Franz Hals "Portrait of a Lady" going for \$137,000. In two days the sale totaled over a million and a half.

Arranging It.

"I have been on an exploring trip through my husband's summer clothes."

"And these poker chips and these racing form sheets?"

"Constitute the data for my lecture."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

No Need of Haste.

Truth, crushed to earth, was rising, but with exceeding slowness.

"Why should I hurry, anyhow?" said Truth. "The poet says the 'eternal years' are mine."

With which lame excuse she also justified herself for never quite catching up with a fugitive lie.

Italy levies a graduated income tax as well as a direct tax on land and houses. Smaller incomes are exempt from taxation. The minister of finance estimates that the income tax for this year will amount to about \$49,600,000, while the land tax will bring in \$36,000,000.

Reflected from Cricket.

"Do you think baseball will ever get a foothold in England?"

"They play it some."

"As strenuously as we do?"

"Well, no. They serve tea between the innings, I understand."—Pittsburg Post.

Voices from Beyond.

"But where," inquired the new arrival, "do you keep the lost souls who suffer from the gnawings of conscience?"

"My dear sir," answered Pluto, in a fine strain of irony, "do you think anybody with a conscience ever comes here?"

Bad Breath

"For months I had great trouble with my stomach and used all kinds of medicines. My tongue has been actually as green as grass, my breath having a bad odor. Two weeks ago a friend recommended Cascarets and after using them I can willingly and cheerfully say that they have entirely cured me. I therefore let you know that I shall recommend them to any one suffering from such troubles."—Chas. H. Halpern, 114 E. 7th St., New York, N. Y.

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