

**ADDRESS OF SECRETARY TAFT**

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foundation and maintenance of this nation's life will always be associated with those of Washington and Lincoln.

The character of Grant as developed by the war and as necessary to the result was as remarkable in its way, considering his previous history as was that of Lincoln.

It is true that Grant received an education at West Point, but certainly nothing was developed there in him to indicate his fitness and ability to meet great responsibilities. He did well in the Mexican War as did other lieutenants. He manifested as regimental quartermaster energy and familiarity with his duties. But in 1854 he resigned from the army because he had to. He has yielded to the weakness of a taste for strong drink and rather than be court-martialed he left the army. He returned from Vancouver on the Pacific Coast to his family at St. Louis without money, without property—a disheartened man. He accepted from his father-in-law a loan of 75 acres of land upon which he constructed a house for his family to live and there he carried on farming operations. His chief business seemed to be that of selling wood, of

cutting it and piling it in the back yards of the well-to-do people of St. Louis. After six years of this life he gave up farming because of ill health and went to the real estate business for a year. He failed in this. His associate dissolved the partnership. Then at last his father offered him \$800 a year as a clerk in his leather store at Galena, Ill., and thence he moved from St. Louis. He worked there for a year also. During these seven years, though everything looked dark, he overcame in a great measure his weakness for strong drink. But he was so constituted that it seemed impossible for him to earn a livelihood even when he had given hostages to fortune in the shape of a wife and four children.

Then the Civil War came on. Grant had never been a dreamer of possible military glory. He had gone to West Point because it offered him an opportunity for advancement; offered him an opportunity for an education. He did not like the life at West Point and while he seemed in the Mexican War to be well adapted to the command of men, to be well adapted to the duty of quartermaster he never had that vaulting military ambition that present in the character of Napoleon and other military leaders. He tendered his services at the beginning of the war merely from a sense of duty and obligation for his education. His having been a student at West Point and a regular army officer necessarily brought him to the front when military training and experience were in such great demand. He modestly suggested in his letter to the adjutant-general at Washington that he believed he was fitted to command a regiment. He never gave evidence of military ambition. He visited Cincinnati seeking to become the staff officer of McClellan, but in vain. And then by great luck he was made the colonel of the 21st Illinois by Gov. Yates.

From that time he took command of that regiment until the surrender of Appomattox his life was one well directed, well planned effort to suppress the rebellion. From time on his constant quest to find and fight the enemy. Beginning with the battle of Belmont he was always in the field and always seeking the Confederate forces, though in the West he suffered as did the western generals from the interference of the war department and the paper strategist like Halleck and the freedom of his movements were curtailed and his constant activity restrained by timidity and jealousy of his superior officers. But in spite of all of this he pressed on and by victories he won he compelled the war department to give him a freer hand. Fort Henry, Fort Donelson and Shiloh were victories that shone like stars in the darkness of the defeats of other Union commanders, and although in disgrace for a short period he finally was put in command of the army charged with the duty taking Micksburg—and he took it. Then followed the great battle of Chattanooga and Missionary Ridge, after which he was called to Washington, made lieutenant-general and commander of the entire army of the United States. Then for the first time, he came against Lee and for a year he measured swords with that great military leader of the South who ultimately succumbed and surrendered to him the Army of Northern Virginia at Appomattox.

It is not to be questioned that Grant's abilities to command developed with his increased experience. It is not to be questioned that his success depended upon the resources of the North that furnished him men and equipment, but in war as in other things in life as in all history merit is determined by the event, and it was Grant who led the armies and infused his life into their leadership. It was Grant that finally subdued the Rebellion. At one time it was customary to criticize Grant's campaigning and to intimate that his knowledge of military strategy was not such as to justify a comparison of him with Lee and other generals. Grant had a very broad conception of the work which the North had before it in subduing the South. He had an opportunity in his life to know the Southern people and discriminate in respect to them so as to understand that while they talked a great deal they could also do a great deal. He believed the only way of subduing the rebellion was by fighting the armies of the rebellion and that after all the contests between the two parts of this nation was a contest of resources of men and of wealth. In the end it proved to be so. His judgment was vindicated. It is said that Grant was not a man of military genius. It is difficult to define what genius is. Some describe it as the capacity for taking infinite pains. If so Grant was a genius. Halleck was a great authority of military science and grand strategy and he never planned a campaign unless, like a lawyer with his precedents, he could turn to the page of the military text book and justify his plan by a reference to a battle of Caesar, Napoleon or Frederick. Had he been able to participate in Grant's plan for the taking of Vicksburg he would certainly have prevented it, and yet, in comparing the strategic ability of Grant with that of other generals it can truly be said that there is no campaign in the Civil War that showed more originality, greater celerity of movement, better calculation of opposing forces and more effective results than the one beginning with the capture of Grand Gulf, continued by the battles of Jacksonville, Champions Hill and the Big Black, and ending with the surrender of Vicksburg. Equally well wrought out, though not so difficult of execution were the battles of Chattanooga, Missionary Ridge and Lookout Mountain. We are told by those who know that Grant was exceedingly familiar with all the campaigns of great military leaders; that his memory was retentive and his interest in the science was great. But he had sufficient common sense, he had a sufficient real grasp of military problems, he had sufficient understanding of the conditions under which previous campaigns had been

fought and which he had to fight to exercise original free thought, and to free himself from the bonds of military precedent. Grant was a man of such a sensitive nature that he could not even bear to see animals subjected to pain. And yet his conception of war and its necessities was so clear that the dreadful losses sustained by him in the Wilderness, at Spotsylvania and at Cold Harbor and in the other campaigns against Lee did not turn him from his purpose or lead him to change his plan which he had deliberately formed of wearing Lee out and by constant hammering of ending the army of Northern Virginia.

His purpose was at the cost which the Northern Army was able to stand, to inflict losses upon the Southern army which in the end meant its destruction. A calculation of the losses which the army of the Potomac sustained during the first three years of the war showed them to have been far greater than those sustained by Grant during his campaigns of '64 and '65 against Lee and it is certainly not too much to say that had Grant's military career as a general begun in the east as it began in the west the war would have been lengthened out to a full four years. The tenacity with which Grant conducted his campaigns, the speed with which he executed his plans and the promptness with which he was on hand next morning with a force able to fight after a drawn battle, if put in practice the army of the Potomac during the first three years of the war would certainly have brought about an earlier termination. Grant's idea of a war was a fight and a series of battles and his theory of winning victories was that the side which was first ready the morning after the battle to resume it would win in the end.

The greatness of the man was seen in his willingness to assume responsibilities and his power of standing the strain when defeat and disaster seemed to threaten the success of his plans and to indicate their weakness. It was then having determined on what his plan should be, he stuck to it and pushed it through in the face of all opposition and vindicated his judgment by ultimate success. He was entirely willing to receive advice but his decision was his own.

Another quality he had as a great military commander was the power to select competent subordinates and of instilling into them confidence in him and his purposes, which almost insured success. The men he especially selected were Sheridan, Sherman, McPherson, Rawlins and Logan and how well they justified his choice. When he came east he suffered from an absence of that mutual understanding between commander-in-chief and subordinate commanders that had been of such value to him in his earlier campaigns.

The history of Grant's relations to those of his subordinates to whom he gave confidence and whom he had himself selected is a fascinating one. The relations which existed between him and Sherman, it is pleasant to dwell upon. The utter absence of jealousy between him and the pleasure which each took in the successes of the other are as delightful as they are rare.

Could anything be more unique than the history of Sherman's writing a long protest to the War Department against the wisdom of the campaign east of Vicksburg, which easily is the greatest strategic success of the war and Grant's pigeon-holing and returning to Sherman the protest after the campaign was won. Then Sherman's letter to Grant when Grant was appointed to command of the army, his expressions of admiration and confidence, all make us think more of our human kind, because we encounter so frequently the small jealousies between the great which sometimes are permitted to interfere with the successful progress of events in the crises of our national life.

The love that existed between Grant and Sheridan is another ennobling relation that it is pleasant to contemplate. The mutual confidence which each reposed in the other and was so abundantly justified, furnishes another instance of the course of true friendship between the great in which no yellow spot of jealousy touches the eye.

One characteristic of Grant is shown in a letter which Lincoln wrote concerning him in which he says with respect to previous generals, his experience had been such that he always expected after a general had been appointed to hear from him that a great many things were needed in the army which he knew that Lincoln was not able to give him and that this was followed by the statement that if he had those things, then he could win the victory. He said Grant differed from the other generals in this respect, that he took what he had and went ahead and with those things he did what he could and what was to be done. He gave an instance; he said he had 15,000 cavalymen at Harper's Ferry without horses. He had attempted to get horses and could not secure them. Previously generals had said to him that if they could have had that 15,000 cavalry they could accomplish great things and win a victory. What Grant said was "With your authority I will arm these men and make them infantrymen or I will send them home."

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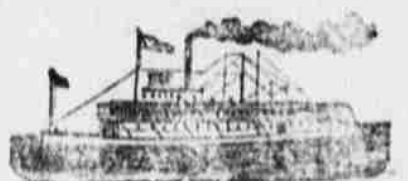


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