

Education Held Vital Factor in G.I. Promotions

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Chicago (U.P.)—The typical midwestern college graduate has had a better chance of becoming a commissioned officer in the armed services than his buddy who never went beyond high school.

College graduates from the midwest have had a 50-50 chance of becoming commissioned officers. Men with high school educations have had the same chance of becoming sergeants but only one chance in four of being commissioned.

These facts were revealed by studies made by Prof. Robert J. Havighurst, secretary of the University of Chicago's committee on human development, and Miss Mary Russell, Walgreen Foundation researcher at the University.

Their findings are reported in the current issue of the "School Review."

High School a 'Must'

The writers studied a typical midwestern country-seat town of 6,000 population, with a fair proportion of industrial workers. They came to the conclusion that a high school education is practically essential to advancement in present-day American life, whether civilian or military.

"There is a very high positive relation between rank in the armed services and educational attainment prior to entering the services," they reported. "Having at least a high-school education is almost essential for promotion to the level of commissioned officers."

A sample group of 163 servicemen was selected scientifically and their records were examined for rank in relation to educational level. Seventy-eight per cent of the men with no more than an eighth-grade education did not go beyond the rank of private or corporal. Of those who were graduated from high school, 55 per cent remained privates or corporals and 21 per cent achieved officers rank.

"Almost half the boys from the upper and upper-middle class families are officers or officer candidates," Havighurst and Miss Russell said.

Made Survey of 20,000

"On the other hand, only 13 per cent of the upper-lower class and none at all of the lower-class are officers. The young men from the lower-middle, upper-lower, and lower-lower classes have been equally successful in reaching the

Japs Reported in Headlong Flight After Big Port Seized

Nippons Abandon 50-Mile Stretch of Vital Railroad Supplying French-Indo Soldiers

Chungking, May 28 (U.P.)—Japanese troops were reported in headlong flight from southern Kwangsi province today after abandoning the inland treaty port of Nanning and a 50-mile stretch on the continental railway line supplying their armies in French Indo-China.

Front dispatches from Kwangsi said Chinese forces had split Japanese defenses along the railway line, driving part of the enemy force southward toward the Indo-China border and the rest north toward the former American air base at Licuhow.

Nanning itself and the big American air field outside the city fell to the Chinese Sunday morning after a surprise attack launched from the Yu river base of Poseh, 130 miles to the northwest. Nanning was taken by the Japanese last November during an eight-month campaign to open a corridor from Korea to Singapore.

Japs Mopped Up

Scattered Japanese units still were being mopped up in the Nanning area today, but the main Chinese force already had driven 50 miles northward to attack Pinyang, 80 miles south of Licuhow.

Another Chinese column drove within 50 miles west of Kluchow, crossing the Lung river and opening a direct assault on Ishan. The fall of Ishan would cut off another big segment of the Japanese-held railway system linking central and northern China to French Indo-China.

May Cut Corridor

Other Chinese troops also were threatening to cut the corridor at Hengyang in western Hunan province, 250 miles north of

rating of sergeants and other non-commissioned officers.

"High school graduation is almost essential for promotion to the level of commissioned officer, and educational background appears to be one of the principal factors, if not the primary factor, in promotion in the armed services."

"A survey of 20,000 officer candidates in the army showed that only 6.5 per cent had not graduated from high school.

"Length of service, which has little relation to a man's chance of getting a commission, does bear a positive relation to moving up in the hierarchy of non-commissioned officers."

"The largest proportion of those at the level of sergeant and the smallest proportion at the level of private and corporal are found in the two groups with the longest service."

Canton, as the result of hurried Japanese withdrawals.

The communique reported that the Japanese landed a force in the Siaupei sector in the Fukien front and captured the town of Siaupei. The Japanese also were reported pushing south along the Chekiang front from Wenchow, 230 miles below Shanghai.

Wartime Needs Make Heavy Drain On State Potatoes

Portland, Ore., May 28 (U.P.)—Wartime needs have drained the Oregon potato market so rapidly that, although the last carloads were shipped in April there is already a serious shortage, a survey of the state's markets revealed today.

In Portland, California imports of new potatoes are supplying about one-tenth of the demand and purchases are being rationed on a one-sack-to-a-customer basis. And the situation throughout the state, one of the most important producers in the nation, is already very tight.

Checks to the chief growing areas today showed that despite a good crop during the past season there is reason to expect even fewer potatoes until the new crops can come in from the south in amounts sufficient to meet growing demands.

Lowly Spud Sought

The lowly spud is becoming more and more sought after. It is pointless, delicious, and quite starchy and filling, making it an excellent way of padding the menu in point-scarce homes.

In Klamath Falls, home of the famed Klamath potato, some California offerings are being received, although housewives are finding the prices high and the quantities not too large.

The Klamath crops hit a new high last year, when 12,500 carloads were shipped from the basin during the season. Harvesting begins in the fall, continuing through most of October and November. Often the crops are retained in warehouses for speculation purposes. However, demands from the armed forces kept this from occurring this season, and the last cars were moved during the middle of April.

Dehydrator Set Up

For a time during the height of the season all shipments for the armed forces had to be cleared through military channels because a great amount was needed for troops. A dehydrator was set up and some of the crop processed in this manner for shipment overseas.

In Bend, producing center for the Deschutes potato, the spuds are not too plentiful at the present time, although stores still have enough on hand to supply retail customers. The Deschutes potatoes are also a fall crop, but a small amount held in warehouses are still available for local consumption.

Meanwhile, canned sweet potatoes are fast disappearing from shelves in stores throughout Oregon and victory gardeners are thinking about planting more spuds.

Citizens who want to eat Oregon potatoes may have to grow their own this year.

SUPPLY IS SUFFICIENT

Deschutes county farm and warehouse storage of potatoes is sufficient to meet requirements in the county until new crop offerings appear on the market, it was estimated today at the office

Held in Spain



Leon Degrelle, above, head of the Fascist Rexist Party of Belgium, is being held at San Sebastian, Spain, for the Allies after a plane in which he and five companions were fleeing Oslo, Norway, crashed there. Hitler made Degrelle, Belgium's most hated quisling, Nazi gauleiter of the country, but the people protested so violently he had to be replaced.

Dr. Paul Needham to speak in Bend

A large turnout of members of the Deschutes County Sportsmen's association was expected tonight when Dr. Paul Needham, state director of fisheries, addresses them in the IWA hall on Bond street. The meeting is scheduled for 8 o'clock. Dr. Needham is recognized as one of the outstanding authorities in the United States on game fish, and has made extensive studies from coast to coast.

Frank B. Wire, state game supervisor, is billed to show a colored film on wild life at the same meeting.

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Trap Traitor



England's top traitor, Norman Baillie-Stewart, above, has been captured by British troops in Holland. The once proud officer of the Seaforth Highlanders, who disappeared from England following a five-year prison term for selling military secrets to Germany, finally was identified as the voice broadcasting anti-British propaganda from German radio stations

of the county agriculturist in Redmond. In addition, a probable 10 cars will be available for shipment after planting is completed the middle of June.

Plantings this year may run to 4,500 acres, more than 20 per cent higher than a year ago. Up to May 1 of this year 1,946 cars of last year's crop have been shipped out of central Oregon. This included a part of Crook county production as well as that from Deschutes county.

Schools in Aachen To Open on June 4

Bad Neunahr, Germany, May 28 (U.P.)—The first schools to be opened in Germany since Allied occupation will begin classes at Aachen June 4.

Capt. Edmund J. Gannon, former member of the New York city board of education, said about 700 children, from six to 10 years old, would attend four grades but the opening of higher grades awaited SHAEF approval.

Twenty-two teachers, all definitely determined as non-nazis, have been selected.

Marriage is a Serious Business

CHIEF CAUSES OF IN-LAW TROUBLE

What are the chief causes of friction between a married couple and their in-laws?

1. Having to share one home. The difficulty here is that, however similar the background of the couple may be, there are infinite variations of custom and habit and methods of doing things. The wife wants to handle her household in her own way, her husband's mother in another. The woman who has been running her own home for many years finds it intolerable to be in a subordinate position in her son's home and often tries to seize the reins from the younger woman's hand. In many cases, her intentions are good. She feels that she knows best and she genuinely wants to help. In other cases, an element of jealousy or selfishness is her motive.

2. Where the parents live with their married sons or daughters because of need for financial support, there is apt to be resentment on both sides, if great tact is not exercised. The dependent parents are alert for slights and take any discussion of money as an indirect slur upon them.

3. The tendency during the early months of adjustment to "run home to mother" always leads to trouble. At the first quarrel, the wife or the husband rushes to mother to complain and to demand sympathy. The mother, unless she is very wise indeed, sides with her own child. Not only that, but she usually regards the fact that her child came to her with a conjugal quarrel as an excellent excuse for interfering in matters which can only be solved by the two people in question.

But of all these problems, the

worst is undoubtedly caused by the interference of the in-laws in bringing up of the grandchildren. To each generation the methods of the succeeding one with children seem fraught with disaster. "We did not do it that way in my day," they say. "You will ruin your child's health."

The war bride must realize from the beginning that her husband's army pay is small. She is married "for richer, for poorer," and it is her job to live on his pay without discontent or complaint. The fifth rule for any war bride is, "Be willing to live on your husband's financial scale to save him embarrassment."

The girl who gets a job while her husband is at war and learns to support herself, is helping her husband more than merely by carrying the financial burden. After the war, many servicemen will want to finish their education, so that they will be equipped for a profession. The war bride who is able to support herself for a few years while he is preparing to support her for life, will be of immense help to her husband.

The woman who has a job often proves to be a more understanding wife afterwards than the woman who has always lived at home. She will be, from personal experience, familiar with the conditions under which her husband earns the living that supports them, and the difficulties under which he must labor. She will be better able to grasp the problems of his daily life when he discusses them, and far less likely to make unreasonable financial demands on him.

Also, by keeping busy herself, she will be better able to stand the strain of separation. The woman with nothing to do is rarely happy and has too much leisure for brooding and self-pity. The woman who is active and busy, who is employing her faculties at a useful job, has less time to worry. Then, too, she is making herself alert. It is the woman who lets herself rust, once married, who becomes a

North Redmond

North Redmond, May 26 (Special)—Mrs. Mame Ryan and George Lyle of Bend were guests of the William Ryans Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Dorothy Edwards and Mrs. Vavis Ryan put the Sunshine Club's quilt in the frames ready for quilting Monday afternoon at Mrs. C. K. Ferguson's.

Mrs. N. A. Clark of Redmond called on Mrs. B. H. Reese Friday.

Sgt. Sylvester Melgs was a Sunday dinner guest at the George Edwards home.

Ed Weavers, William Ryans, Randal Millers and Bill Clarks of this community attended the sales ring Sunday, May 20.

Mrs. Frank Williams and children of Lower Bridge called on her sister, Mrs. Francis Wright, Sunday afternoon. Mrs. John Graham and children of Lower Bridge also called on Mrs. Wright Sunday.

Mrs. Ralph Olister and sister, Miss Clara Clark, of Portland, were guests at the Francis Wright home Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Vern Lantz called at the V. Trice home in Sisters Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Vern Lantz went to Suttle lake Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Vern Lantz and Mrs. Ernest Heese were Bend visitors Tuesday.

Mrs. Ernest Heese and Mrs. Chic Peden attended the opening of the new R.U.H.S. gymnasium. Sunshine club met at the home of Mrs. C. K. Ferguson. The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Ernest Heese.

WRITER'S WIFE DIES

Plainfield, N. H., May 28 (U.P.)—Mrs. Winston Churchill, 71, wife of the American novelist, died at her home Saturday night after a long illness. She leaves her husband and three children.

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