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### "We Have One Concern"

"We appreciate our responsibilities, but success in battle is built on morale. Morale is a peculiar thing. It can be no stronger than the morale of the nation, or of the civilian communities from which we come or in which we now reside. We want to assure the civilian community that we will prove by our conduct in this area that we have only one concern, and that is success in battle. We hope that they reciprocate by fostering a very high morale in the troops that visit their towns" — Excerpt from a talk by Major General G. R. Cook on the activation of the 104th division.

Thus the general sums up briefly and succinctly the solution of a situation that unless treated wisely might become a problem. As the camp grows larger we can not help but note a growing feeling of dissatisfaction between soldiers and the civilian communities they visit on time away from duties. This dissatisfaction is vague and undefineable. Complaints we hear from soldiers appear—to us at least—petty in the extreme. The whole scheme of things today is too vast, too important to worry about individual inconsequentialities. It is only when they become numerous that they attain a certain amount of nuisance value.

Likewise, the feeling of resentment toward soldiers, more implied than actual, by a small minority of civilians is actually of small consequence if we keep in mind the over all purpose of our being here as pointed out so well by General Cook.

Just as an example, a few civilians in one nearby community recently asked that home owners with rooms to rent keep in mind that the college which had provided their roomers in years gone by would still be here when their present soldier tenants would be gone.

Our first impulse was to shout, "Oh, yeah! If the college is still there it will be because of the soldiers."

But on sober reflection we're glad we didn't. And we're suggesting that every soldier think twice before complaining about some slight grievance, fancied or real. We are a great democratic nation because we as individuals are allowed to live pretty much as we want to. Virtually all of the civilians we meet around here have husbands, sons, sweethearts or relatives of some sort in the service. If a few would prefer to live in the past when everyone they met on the street was a neighbor of years standing and a few other attempt to "cash in" on a new Eldorado, don't let it bother you. Let's take General Cook's advice and "prove by our conduct that we have only one concern—winning the war and getting home."

## MUTTERINGS OF AN OLD-TIMER

By H. B.

Before long now it will be two years since the whole world heard Winston Churchill, that great voice of Britain, utter these words: "Put your confidence in us. We shall not fail or falter; we shall not weaken or tire. Neither the sudden shock of battle, nor the long-drawn trials of vigilance and exertion will wear us down. Give us the tools and we will finish the job."

Those were grand, brave words, but they were not true then and they cannot be true today. Britain needed more than the tools. That was clear to many of us, well in advance of the terrific warfare in Russia and the revelation of Japanese might. Aside from the shame of it—paying the British to fight a war ultimately as much ours as it was theirs—we had to fight in order to win.

Of course various statesmen of foreign nations felt sure that the Axis could not be defeated unless the Americans fought, in addition to being the arsenal of democracy. They hesitated to say so only because they believed that the naked truth would be unwelcome here. The world must wait until America understood without being told. A beautiful headline in The Christian Science Monitor, a newspaper now being received at our library, re-

mind me of one man who was mindful of that.

"The Polonaise Still Sounds," is the headline, over an article by Ann Su Cardwell, writing that "All through the night, as the Germans closed in on Warsaw, the Polish radio played the first bars of Chopin's stirring Polonaise every 30 seconds to show that Warsaw had not fallen."

Now I can never hear "Polonaise Militaire," can never even see the name, without thinking of Paderewski the magnificent and the eloquence of that piece as he played it. Fritz Kreisler the violinist, another artist of the old, romantic tradition, once remarked that when you hear a certain kind of music, properly played, shivers should run up and down your spine. Well, they did when Paderewski played that.

Returns to U.S.A. When Warsaw fell, Paderewski stopped playing the Polonaise, except in his heart. The tired, ailing old master, in his time both war and the world's greatest pianist, closed his home in Switzerland and came to this country to die. I met him in New York Harbor—went down the bay with other newspaper men and boarded his ship.

Did he think the United States should be in the war? I'll never

### He Is Now Fighting the Japs



Elmer, the camp tramp, is in no mood to entertain inquisitive visitors. There's more to fighting than fighting, he finds.

### Military Wedding in Corvallis



Lieutenant and Mrs. Robert A. Bean, the former Jacquelyn Harriet Swann of Washington, Illinois, were married Saturday at a charming wedding in Mayflower chapel.

### Signal Corps Capt. to Wed Camp Adair Miss

Of social interest comes the announcement by Mr. and Mrs. Hugo Ochsner of the engagement of their daughter, Marian Ochsner, to Capt. H. W. Mitchell of Pittsburgh Pa., who is stationed at present with the signal corps of the 96th division. The announcement was made at a party held at the Ochsner residence, North 25th street, Corvallis.

Miss Ochsner is employed at Camp Adair by Four Builders and the wedding date has been set for October 23.

### Receptions Planned in Corvallis Sunday

Teas for officers and non-coms of the Jewish faith will be held in Corvallis beginning this Sunday. From three o'clock to five, Mrs. William Konick will entertain non-coms and their wives at her home, 334 South 7th St., Corvallis. Those who expect to attend should call Corvallis 705-R.

Jewish officers and their wives are invited to a tea at the home of Mrs. Leo Freidman, 3406 Polk St., Corvallis, on Sunday, September 27, from three o'clock to five in the afternoon. Officers who wish to attend should call Corvallis 1369-J.

forget the way he tried to answer that question with his faded, blue eyes. His lips trembled, it seemed that he was about to speak, yet he kept silent. Only his eyes told us that certainly the United States must get into the fight. Otherwise civilization was doomed.

"Do you think, Mr. Paderewski, I asked him, "that we should give all possible aid to the British?"

There was a gleam, as of gratitude, in the eyes of the old patriot of Poland. He could safely reply in the affirmative. It was not improper. He could, and he did, emphasize the fact that the British fighters at that time held in their hands the fate of the free world—the world still clear of Axis domination, still resisting, still hoping for a eternal liberty.

I never saw Paderewski again, after that interview. Some months later, and it was 4:30 in the morning, my home telephone rang. Paderewski had died, unexpectedly, following his return from a meeting in behalf of Poland. The office wanted me to hurry down and write a new obituary, although several were already in type. So I did, and in running through the latest clippings was impressed, all over again, by the way Paderewski had labored, right up to the end, for a Poland enslaved and still heroic.

Had Faith in Britain Paderewski worked, hopelessly it seemed, because he had faith in Britain, for we were not yet in the war. He had confidence in the British people. He remembered that at Dunkirk they really were licked, but refused to admit it or to recognize the grim fact, and went on resisting and so passed that crisis.

"A miracle of deliverance, achieved by valor, by perseverance, by perfect discipline, by faultless service, by resource, by skill, by unconquerable fidelity, is manifest to us all," Churchill then said.

### Lt. Bean Married at Chapel in Corvallis

A simple but very impressive wedding was solemnized in Mayflower chapel, Corvallis, last Saturday afternoon at 3 p. m. when Miss Jacquelyn Harriet Swann, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy John Swann of Washington, Ill., became the bride of Lieut. Robert A. Bean, Inf., Camp Adair.

The ceremony was read in a beautiful setting of flowers, with tall gladioli and delicate green fern placed in tall baskets. Wrought iron candelabra, from which glowed lighted tapers, were placed on either side.

Proceeding the ceremony at which Rev. Clarence Reynolds, pastor of the Christian church, Corvallis, presided, Miss Eileen Powell sang "At Dawning" followed by the traditional wedding march.

The bride arrived in Corvallis the day of the wedding. For the past six years she has been a member of the staff of the Journal-Transcript in Peoria.

Lieut. Bean is a graduate of the University of Illinois and is a member of Phi Delta Theta.

### Army Wives Offered Courses at College

The school of home economics at Oregon State college has listed a dozen different courses this fall in clothing, textiles and related arts, foods and nutrition, and household administration designed to meet the needs of women not regularly registering in college, Miss Ava R. Milan, dean of home economics, announced this week.

None of the courses requires prerequisites and all may be taken for credit or may be audited. They are being offered primarily for women unable to attend college full time, for wives of army men living in Corvallis, or others who are interested in the latest trends in home economics. The regular college charge of \$4 a credit up to six credits, or \$34 for any over six credits will be made. The auditor's fee is \$2 a credit hour. Information is available at the School of Home Economics, Campus, Corvallis.

### Lt. Moberly of 104th Weds California Girl

At an informal ceremony conducted last Friday night, Miss Janet Oakley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Oakley of Los Angeles became the bride of Lt. H. E. Moberly of Hollywood and stationed with the 104th division. The wedding rites were read at the home of the Rev. and Mrs. C. W. Reynolds of Corvallis.

Mrs. W. Anderson was matron of honor and Lt. G. E. Oldfather was best man. Out-of-town guests included the bride's parents who motored north from Los Angeles to attend the marriage.

Following the ceremony, the couple left on a wedding trip at the beach in Oregon.

"Insanity, by the numbers: 1—You talk to yourself. 2—You talk back. 3—You talk back and then say, 'Huh!'"



"Send me men who can shoot and salute."

This remark by General Pershing is often quoted, and it should mean just as much today as it ever did.

The salute of the soldier of the United States armed forces, when correctly executed, is the finest in the world. It is simple, neither elaborate nor showy. Any soldier can, with but little practice, render it properly.

Officers and men on such a post as Camp Adair should be particularly careful to observe this military courtesy. At military establishments the salute is required, and expected. It is just as much a part of military life as a neat uniform. On or off the post the salute is mandatory and no good soldier will overlook this mark of respect and courtesy. It is in reality a symbol that denotes that two men have a bond in common in their profession, and both should be proud to be seen recognizing each other in this manner.

The salutes should always be made correctly, in a snappy, military manner. The arm should come up with a snap, and return smartly to the side. Head and eyes should be up, chin in. No flourish, wave, or unnecessary motion should ever be included. The method of saluting, as well as the customs of courtesy governing the use of the salute, are fully described in Fm 21-50, and these should be carefully studied by every soldier. Officers may find an excellent description in the Officer's Guide on page 311.

In giving the salute, the custom of courtesy is observed. The salute is a mark of respect, and a recognition of the rank and military attainments of the person saluted.

As far as actual authorization goes it is impersonal, but at the same time, it is always regarded as a friendly form of greeting. It is a real privilege to salute, and to be saluted, and the salute should always be given and returned in this spirit. Naturally, the enlisted man or junior officer salutes first, and officers should make the return promptly.

However, officers should not hesitate in saluting officers of lesser rank first, or at least simultaneously. That an officer may be lax or preoccupied, should not deter one from automatically observing the custom.

In saluting, as in everything else military, practice makes perfect. If any officer or enlisted man is in doubt about whether or not he is saluting correctly, he should practice in company with another, or

even in front of a mirror where he can "see himself as others see him." He should continue to do this until the movements are made exactly according to regulations.

A correct salute will increase the respect for the service, and add to civilian as well as military morale.

The United States army is the finest military organization in the world. We must do everything in our power to maintain the respect and admiration which this great organization deserves.

### We Can Go to School If they Find Teachers

Courses in typing, stenography and office machines will be open to men in military service, Oregon State college announces, and where classes are restricted to those in military service the cost will be pro-rated among students on basis of enrollment.

The General Extension division now seeks approved instructors for various courses requested by civilians and men in service. Definite announcement of evening classes will be delayed until about September 28. Interested persons should communicate with W. G. Beattie, assistant director of the division, 206 Physics Bldg., O.S.C., Corvallis.

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