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Tell The Chaplain

.... tell it in time; and above all, tell the truth.

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The world's largest waiting room is in the Grand Central Station in the city of New York. More people go in and out of this station than in and out of any other place in the world. Right in the middle of this waiting room is a huge desk with a lot of efficient people behind it. Over this desk is a big sign which says INFORMATION. It is the duty of this staff to tell the traveler what he needs to know about train schedules, about the city, and about any other directions desired. The traveler wishes to know "where he can find what," and as quickly as he can ask the question there is some one to tell him the answer.

The Chaplain in any Army outfit is just such an aid to the soldier. The Chaplain does not pose to take the place of any other officer on the post, no more than the man at the Information Desk in a railway station takes the place of the other officials in the station. In fact, the Chaplain and his services, in the capacity of an aid to finding out for the soldier what he wants to know, is a great benefit to every officer in the other branches of the service.

An Army Post is a big place. It is as confusing to the average soldier as a strange city is to a traveler. It takes quite a lot of time to get used to the places and customs of a Post—the location of various units, and also the ways and 6. Distinguish between luxurious means of doing things that affect the soldier personally. How many times a soldier who is wise, comes to the Chaplain and asks, "What can I do about this or that or the other?" The Chaplain, in these cases, is not taking the place of the soldier's Commanding Officer, but rather is helping the Commanding Officer, and in many cases the soldier's Commander has sent him to the Chaplain for the information and help desired.

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With this being the case, the Chaplain says right off, "TELL IT TO THE CHAPLAIN!" The Chaplains are right here to tell all they know about what the soldier wants to know, and to get the information quickly for him if they do not have it at hand. The Chaplain is an excellent listener. Dr. Frank Crain used to write that a man's best friend was a good listener. The Chaplain is never too busy to listen to any kind of story, to listen to any trouble, big or little. If it 4. No. They have long and powerconcerns the soldier it is a concern of the Chaplain. Tell the Chaplain.

Tell the Chaplain IN TIME. Most troubles grow with time. The longer they are neglected the bigger they get. Why wait? Tell the Chaplain early, and in the most cases the trouble can be attended to before it gets big. The writer, on his first vacation in several years, saw a little pimple on the foot of his little son the very first day out. It was neglected for several days—paid no attention to it at all. But in about a week the little pimple was a big sore with blood poison setting in rapidly. Needless to say, it was serious, and not only was the vacation ruined, but it nearly cost the life of the little son.

Tell Him Now

Get to the trouble in time. Don't let it run on and on and get bigger and bigger until something breaks. Whatever your problem may be it is a big one-right at the start whether it looks big at that time or not. Some soldiers have been told that they must bear their problems all alone and not bother anybody about them. This is the wrong advice. Tell the Chaplain and tell him in time.

Now let us add a third point and the biggest point of all-ABOVE ALL TELL THE TRUTH. Truth is like steam. It will come out in spite of everything you can do about it here to hear and share the burdens, problems, and also the or it will move something out of the way. It may move the joys and sorrows of every man on the Post. wrong thing for the soldier. It may burst right in his face to his shame and sorrow and great loss. You can't hurt the

It's A Great Life

Notes From a Soldier's Sketch Book



"Listen, Pal. did you come up here to buy War Bonds or just to look around at the girls?"

YANKWIZ

By Bob Hawk Quizmaster, "Thanks To The Yanks," Saturdays, CBS

- 1. Which of these do not have teeth: 9. Glassware. frogs, fish, birds.
- 2. A well-dressed woman might wear mink on her head. Could a Well Done well-dressed man wear rabbit on his?
- erage weekly attendance at mov- tal Chains." It goes as follows: ies throughout the United States, according to the Hays office.
- 4. Does a kangaroo run on all four
- 5. In theatrical parlance, what is meant by "papering the house"? and luxurient.
- fruit, or would they sink? give a clearer picture of a burglar's finger prints - glassware
- or a brass door knob? 10. If you had jodhpurs, would you also need a horse, a doctor or a

1. Birds. 2. Yes-felt hat.

barber?

- 3. 85,000,000.
- ful hing legs and relatively small And smiles, and says, "I beg your fore legs which are not used for progression.
- 5. Letting part of the audience in And calls his hungry family in; on passes.

luxurient means profuse and superabundant.

- 7. A gazelle is an animal; a gazette is a newspaper; a kazoo is a musical toy.
- 8. Yes, you could substitute grapefruit. They will float.

10. A horse.

A beneficial game for stimula-3. Give within five million the av- tion of the mind, is known as "Men-

After first acquiring complete mental relaxation and freedom, think of something, anything. Allow your mind to wander into a thought slightly different than the first, but remotely connected. Using the same process, allow your mind to wander freely, and then slowly What is the difference between and gradually. Try to bring it back a gazelle, a gazette and a kazoo? to its original thought, thus com-If you want to play bobbing for pleting the mental chain. After it's apples, but didn't have any ap- over, you'll find it very interest- the Union. ples-could you substitute grape- ing and amusing, reflecting on the various and silly things you thought Which would be more apt to about, trying to complete the chain.

"THE JAPANESE" by Ogden Nash from

I'm A Stranger Here Myself Published by Little Brown & Co.

How courteous is the Japanese. He always says, 'Excuse it, please.' He climbs into his neighbor's garden,

pardon,"

He bows and grins a friendly grin, He grins and bows a friendly bow; 6. Luxurious pertains to luxury; "So sorry, this is my garden now."

truth, but the hiding of the truth will be a disaster. A long time ago this sentence was in the grade school grammar text books to illustrate the rules of punctuation:

No Lie Is Little

"Sin has many tools," said Oliver Wendall Holmes, "But a lie is the handle that fits them all." This sentence illustrates more than punctuation. It states the un-varnished fact that you can't get away with even a little shading. There is no such thing as a "LITTLE" lie. They are all lies, big or little. Tell the truth. Your Chaplain will keep your confidence. He cannot be made to swear any confidence given him on a witness stand. He is your friend. What you tell him goes with him to his grave unrevealed to any other human soul.

Officers, as well as enlisted men, have their problems too. In most cases the Chaplain is already known to the officers as a man who is a good friend to all men. After all, in this world no man can live to himself. The Chaplain is

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DENTISTS AND POSTMEN!

"I'm sorry," said the dentis "but you can't have an appoint ment this afternoon, I have eigh een cavities to fill." Then-

He picked up his golf bag a walked out .- Bombsight-Kirtlan Field, New Mex.

WAACS TOO?

When the female of the speci sets out to get the male

She can give a bloodhound seven points and beat it on t

He may struggle, he may wriggle he may plot and he m plan,

But he can't evade the femal when she's out to get he

-by Kay Gran From "It's 'ard to Go Wrong in Th Cactus."

NOTHING NEW ADDED

Blackouts are nothing new. S and her boyfriend started then years ago in the living room.

TIMES HAVE CHANGED!

"I will not permit 30 men travel 400 miles to agitate a bay of wind," said President White o Cornell in 1873, when the university of Michigan challenged Cornell to a football game to be played at Cleveland with 30 men on a sid

HIROHITO TAKE NOTICE

Never hit a man when he's down He might get up.-Fred Kasper (Blue network.)

ONE WAR AT A TIME

At a certain U.S. military camp, the officers who examine candi dates for OCS hit upon a wonderful question for testing the poise and mental equilibrium of South erners who appear before them.

Each candidate is asked what he would do if his state seceded from

When sprang on a Georgia man his eyes lit with a holy fire, bu he quickly got himself in hand.

"We got to finish this war first suh," he said-The New Yorker.

It is a paradox that every di tator has climbed to power on the ladder of free speech. Immediate ly on attaining power each dicta tor has suppressed all free speed except his own.-Herbert Hoover

Heavenly Miracles

St. Peter and St. Thomas Aquina were having a golf game one hear enly day. St. Peter's first driv was right up to the cup for a he in one. St. Thomas brandishing h celestial club, stepped up to the t and drove a hole in one also.

"All right," said St. Peter, "ne let's cut out the miracles and g down to work."



WHEN YOU CAN Tneutralize a min or a trap, mark it clearly so that others will not detonate it before it can be deal with by specially trained me



NEVER PICK UP or move anythin a building until you have first exam it to see if it is connected to a trap.