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Strange Duel Between General Hunkins and Colonel Reckling

Among the generals of the civil war there were those who had received a military education and those who won their promotion from a natural fitness for command and politicians. General Hunkins belonged to the latter class.

Two armies were confronting each other. Hunkins' division was on the right, Colonel Reckling's brigade on the extreme left. The enemy resolved to turn the Union right flank and hurried a whole division against Reckling's brigade.

There is little or no redress in the army against such an imputation by a superior officer, certainly not in face of an enemy. One morning shortly after daylight Colonel Reckling rode up to his commander's headquarters and, rousing the general, said: "I think the enemy is meditating an important move. If you will ride out with me to the picket line I'll show you what I mean."

Hunkins proposed to send his chief of staff, but Reckling insisted that he should see for himself. So the general called his escort, and the two officers rode to the picket line.

"We must go farther," said Reckling. "I would suggest that the escort remain here so as not to draw the fire."

"But," said the general, showing extreme reluctance to go on. "General!" exclaimed Reckling in feigned surprise.

The general dare not refuse with twenty cavalymen looking on. He rode with his inferior a few hundred yards to a low fence, over which Reckling jumped his horse.

A minute bullet sang between the two men. The general ducked. Another and another. The colonel pushed on, the general a few paces behind him. More straggling shots.

"I see no change in the situation," said the general. "Let us go back."

"Not here," said Reckling; "not here. Farther to their left. I think they are massing a force on our right, just as they did the other day. They can't get at us on our left for the river and the hill where we have thrown up the earthworks."

"But we are not going to our right. We're going straight toward their right center."

"We'll turn presently." "How much farther have we to go?" asked the general in a few moments.

"We must ride along in front of their line till we reach that wood on our left."

The general shuddered. Riding in front of the enemy's line was a hazardous thing. "When her back aches," said the general, "I know how you feel."

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front of their line meant certain death. "This is suicide," he protested. "Come on," said the colonel. Putting spurs to his horse, Reckling started straight toward the enemy's lines. At the same moment a storm of bullets whistled by the two men. Hunkins could not stand the test. He turned and rode back as fast as his horse could carry him.

Bravery wins respect even from an enemy. The Confederates, wondering, watched Reckling coming. Presently he turned and rode slowly along the front of their line. Not a shot was fired. It was an eighth of a mile to cover, and as the soldier passed over the distance and entered the wood a cheer went up from the Union soldiers and the Confederates, who were too admiring to shoot so gallant a man.

When the general joined his horse he knew that his military career ended. But his aptitude for a diplomat saved him in that field. He sent home one of his henchmen, who had been serving on his staff, with instructions to write up the general's remarkable service in the army and create a demand among the people that he return and run for congress.

The henchman played his part well, and just as the singular duel between Hunkins and Reckling came to the ears of the general commanding the army corps in which the duellists served Hunkins forwarded his resignation. It was accepted, and Hunkins returned to the field for which he was best fitted and made an eminently successful campaign.

Reckling was made a brigadier general and placed in command of the division. He was soon promoted for gallantry to a higher rank and command. He ended his career, not in a political campaign, but supporting old "Pop" Thomas on the field of Chickamauga. FRANK P. CHENEY.

BOOMING HIS TOWN.

How a Young Board of Trade President "Made Good" With the People.

Systematic town boosting is a feature of American business activity which aims at the general good instead of personal profit. One western town had a board of trade which had slept along for years without doing anything in particular, except eating some food once a year at a banquet and listening to some spread eagle oratory, says the Pittsburgh Dispatch.

The organization became moribund, and its presidency was an honor no longer sought for. The directors met and gave the place to a young man of the type "we like to encourage." The young man took his job seriously and went to work. It wasn't long before he grew an idea of his own.

Every family that moved to town he spotted. Employment was provided for the breadwinners where necessary, and the new people were made to feel at home. When this personal attention had got in its work, a representative of the board of trade interviewed the head of the new family. This interview was incorporated into a letter; mimeograph copies were made, put into stamped envelopes and made ready to mail. Then the letters were taken to the newcomers, and he was asked to address them to his friends "back east." The scheme worked like magic, and the population boomed. Of that idea many new ones were born. The young man has been several times re-elected president of the board of trade, and he can have anything the people of that town can give him.

With the work started in this direction, it will not be long before the highway from Philadelphia to Pittsburgh will become a reality, and with its completion the touring facilities in Pennsylvania will be second to none in the United States.

Americans who have toured in France return to the United States with an entirely different idea of road conditions, for nowhere in the world are the highways kept in better condition nor the question of roads given so much consideration as they are in the European republic. Road builders throughout the world can take lessons from the French. In that country there are 27,000 miles of national roads, which are built by the government and maintained at the expense of the government, and in the words of Mark Twain, "They look as if they were jack planed and sanded every day."

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At all seasons of the year the roads present the same appearance, and the infinite care taken to keep them in first class condition is the cause of the desire of all visitors to Europe to spin over the level stretches, which abound in France, in their big motor cars.

Unlike the method in the United States, the roads are maintained by having a man take charge of a small section. A workman of this class is called a cantonnier. He has a length of from two to seven or eight kilometers given to him, and he takes entire charge of it, the length varying according to its character. If the road is flat, he has a long piece; if mountainous and hard to maintain, he may have only two kilometers. He keeps the ditches clear, the grass cut, the trees trimmed, and wherever he finds a depression or little hole in the road he evens the ground with a pick. He has a supply of fine stones dumped at the side of the road and fills up the rut with this and tramples it down, and when he has finished with the defect you cannot tell that there was ever a hole there.

By the use of this system it can readily be seen that the road conditions of a country will improve and are bound to, for much more attention is shown than under that used in this country.

There are many states in this country that do not give the road question much consideration, and it is with great difficulty that the highways can be negotiated with the automobile, but with the national movement for good roads daily gaining in strength it will be only a short time when these states will act with the state automobile associations in the improvement of the highways.

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Public Tree Planting. J. Y. Culyer Urges New York State Government to Adorn Highways. A strong plea for the planting of trees along the roads in which the state of New York has an interest was made recently by Jonathan Y. Culyer, civil engineer and landscape architect, says the New York Tribune. He said that he had tried to induce the state administration to do this, but without apparent success. He called attention to the fact that throughout Great Britain, France, Germany and, to a lesser degree, in other continental countries the planting and maintenance of trees on the public roads have been a long established policy. Many communities in the United States, he said, have recognized the value and utility of such a practice.

"It would be lamentable indeed," Mr. Culyer said, "were it found that tree planting on our roads had been omitted for quasi-economical reasons. The cost of providing and planting can add very little to the cost per linear foot of the road. Soil, for instance, an essential thing for the tree pits, in most cases is to be found on the line of the work. The first cost of the trees and of planting them should be an almost inappreciable item. Indeed, as I have before suggested, trees and other useful vegetation may be and long since should have been cultivated successfully through the agency of our forestry commission and the state board of agriculture, nurseries being established in some one or more eligible localities of our public domain. It amounts to a public scandal that so many men are employed on these state properties whose work could be made more effective in this way."

"As the result of an established policy of roadside planting, intelligently pursued, it will not be difficult to forecast, in hopeful vision of the future, our roads adorned with trees of which we have a rich variety—the oak, the maple, the elm, the plane, the linden, the gum, the horse chestnut, etc., along which the traveler would be guided hospitably on his way."

THE GOOD ROAD IDEA

Encouragement Received In Pennsylvania and Elsewhere.

APPROPRIATION OF \$3,000,000.

Keystone State Highways to Be Improved During Next Two Years—Why French Method of Building Roads Should Be Followed.

Agitated on all sides, the good roads movement is spreading throughout the United States and it is hoped that in a short space of time will have reached such proportions that congress will take a hand in the betterment of the road conditions in this country. Already many of the state legislatures in the United States have appropriated millions of dollars for the improvement of the highways, the legislature of Pennsylvania recently setting apart \$3,000,000 for work along these lines during the next two years.

While this amount is not as large as many of the good roads advocates had hoped to see appropriated for this purpose, most of those interested are well satisfied and feel that the work of bettering the highways of the Keystone State has at last fairly started. Just what disposition will be made of the \$3,000,000 for the next two years has not been settled, but it is thought that it will be spent in bettering the roads in counties which are at the present time most backward in respect to improved highways and which have not had the money to compete with their richer neighbors.



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