

Germans Use Psychology in Selection of Key Officers

By HOWARD W. BLAKESLEE
CHICAGO, May 5 (The Special News Service)—The German army has a special way of picking men for particularly dangerous assignments.

The information comes from American psychologists. Here is an example:

Place, a training camp in Poland—

"Attention," barks an officer to a group of youth recruits.

"We have a new parachute. It is a superior parachute, we think. But it has not been tested yet."

"We don't want to waste any trained men trying it. This is a call for volunteers from you men to try the parachute."

"Will 10 men who are willing now step forward?"

A group volunteers. But they are tried one at a time when there is no crowd around. The volunteer and an officer go to a remote field. In it stands a tall tower, well back from observation.

The boy has his parachute in position, and understands its use. The pair ascend to the top of the tower. There a plank extends rigidly out into space.

At command, the volunteer jumper walks out this plank. At the last pace before the jump the officer says sharply:

"Halt."

"Now," he adds, "before you jump, are you still willing? You

can change your mind if you want."

"Willing," says the boy.

"Good," replies the officer. "Come on back."

The recruit has passed the test, which is not for parachute jumping—in fact, it is not a new parachute. The idea is to decide whether he qualifies to train for military exploits requiring special daring.

There are voluminous records about the German army's psychological training, but those available, except by secret channels, end with the start of the war.

The parachute story is one of bits of information seeping through since hostilities opened.

This psychological work began in 1926. Unofficially it is reported that now the German army is spending around \$40,000,000 a year on the psychological side of selecting officers and men.

Each division is said to have 15 or more psychologists, all officers. But they are not called psychologists, and are regular military men. Even the name psychology has been dropped, and this group now is designated as inspection for aptitude testing in the high command of the army.

The principles appear to be sound. Personal character is the key to choice.

Just before the war started, the psychological tests of an officer candidate lasted two full days. The tests covered intelligence, will power, facility in making decisions while in action. The candidate also instructed a company of men how to perform a chosen task.

His facial expressions were recorded by a motion picture camera as an aid to get a better insight into his character. The sort of impression he made on others was studied. Powers of observation, manner of speech, life history, his ideas about his past and future, and cultural ideals were examined.

For the soldiers in the ranks, the psychologists built up soldierism as a serious culture, as something with a central location in the German soul.

Frankly I've never been a mother, so I am not personally aware of how mothers regard Mother's Day, which is next Sunday. But somehow I feel that the old picture of mother as a helpless white-haired lady is all wet.

Any time a woman can raise a son or a daughter, bring them through all the childhood perils of mumps, measles and wars—then guide them through the perplexities of adolescence, and finally see them successfully turned loose in the world—in't helpless, not for my money.

So, I thought I'd just hand out this week's column to Mother, Clinton-style—Mother who drives the family car expertly to market or to school—who bats out over a thousand miles a year—and who, through it all, manages to be a pretty sweet, sound and sensible person. My hat, mother, is off to you!

In fact, mother, I'm going to suggest to you that you get acquainted with the fellows at your neighborhood Union Oil station. In the first place these men—they call 'em Minute Men 'cause they're fast—will save you time when you have to get gas or oil. In the second place, they're helpful gents if something goes wrong.

And the reason I'm telling it to you, mother, is because you probably have more to do with the family car than anyone else. And, in the meantime, I hope all your children send you candy, tickets to a good show, and a big hug!

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