

NEW GENERAL STAFF

WHAT UNCLE SAM'S LATEST MILITARY MOVE MEANS.

Board of Army Officers to Perform Detail Work of War Department and Plan Campaigns - General Young Chief of Staff.

With the creation of the general staff of the United States army, Uncle Sam's latest military departure, the office of commanding general of the army passes out of existence.

The general staff which has just been created consists of forty-five officers. At its head will be Major General Samuel B. M. Young, who will have associated with him two general officers, Major General Henry C. Corbin and Brigadier General Tasker H. Bliss.

The simplest way to explain the duties of the new corps is to say that it will be a sort of board of directors for the department of war, having control over all its affairs and subject only to the authority of the president and the secretary of the department.

The general staff will prepare all information desirable for a military commander undertaking a campaign. Its officers will be assigned to serve with commanders of troops, to furnish information, to help in the preparation of plans and orders and relieve the commanding general of all the detail possible, so that he may devote his whole energy to the campaign.

The work of the staff will include the preparation of maps, the drawing up of schemes for the organization and



MAJOR GENERAL SAMUEL B. M. YOUNG.

concentration of troops and the formation of plans for national defense. It will make a study of military science in order to keep the army up to date in all respects and if possible a little ahead of foreign armies.

The selection of officers for the general staff will be entirely without favoritism. They will be chosen for ability and efficiency only. Furthermore, the staff will not be permitted to degenerate into bureau machines through long retention in that duty.

An important part of the work of the general staff will be to arrange in advance of war the mass of details having reference to the transportation of troops and mobilization of armies and the establishment of supply depots, so as to effect a vast saving of men and material.

Major General S. B. M. Young, the head of the corps, by virtue of his office becomes chief of staff to the president and will also act as adviser to the president and the secretary of war.

General Young has a most excellent record as a soldier. He entered the volunteer army as a private in the Twelfth Pennsylvania Infantry at the outbreak of the civil war.

At the close of the war he entered the regular army as a second lieutenant, reaching the rank of colonel in 1877. When the Spanish war broke out he was appointed to the command of the cavalry division of General Shafter's corps and led the advance on Santiago.

He reached the grade of major general in 1901. General Young is in his fifty-third year. He will retire in 1904, when he will reach the age of sixty.

JINGLES AND JESTS.

Mistah Trouble. Howdy, Mistah Trouble; Comin' 'er destroy; Dis de place you lookin' for? Take a seat wid joy!

Messy a Guess. Teacher—Can you tell me why the place where a river ends is called its mouth? Little Johnny—I dunno, unless it's because their mouths is where so many people's seem to go out of business.

Asked and Answered. Diggs—Chuckleigh acts like a married woman. Biggs—How does a married woman act? Diggs—Like one possessed, of course.

She Didn't Like It. He put his arm around her waist and kissed her. Indignantly she strove against his indignity. And then she said: "I'll scream, you ho-r-rid miser. If you don't stop in—well, in half an hour."

An Insinuation. Bess—Young Milkins is daffy on the subject of matrimony. He asks every girl he meets to marry him. Nell—Well, why don't you get some one to introduce you?

The Omar of Boggsville. I sometimes think, when by the stove I heat an 'git to thinkin' of the host of friends, I know, that them that natcherly Can't sing a-tall's the ones that sing the most!

It's Different Then. "A woman will buy a thing just because it's cheap." "Perhaps. But she doesn't make selections on that principle when a man is footing the bill."

A Missing Ingredient. The Romans had great circuses, Historians declare. It's hard to see How this could be. They had no peanuts there.

Just the Name. Stubb—In Boston there is a paper managed entirely by women. Penn—That so? Well, I guess they leave the "Help Wanted Male" column out.

Sold. Once a pretty young maid of Japan Met an awfully swell young man; "I'm in love, if you please, With your cute Japanese"— And she hit him a rap with her fan.

To Complete His Education. "Where's your boy going after he leaves the model school?" "To some school that ain't model, I guess, to learn reading, writing and figures."

The Banquet. The moth he is an epicure Who eatin' off with dainty zeal. He eats his fill; You foot the bill! For his nice fifty dollar meal.

An Excellent Reason. "Why do you think she ought to go abroad to study music?" "Because I happen to live in the next flat to her when she's at home."

Sale of a Ticket. Tickety, tickety, tick. The lambs ran after stock; The stock it turned, and the lambs got burned. And now they're all in hock!

Cynical. Ostend—Is it true that woman was made out of a rib bone? Paw—That's what they say, my son, but I believe it was a jawbone.

Turns About. If all the kickers had their way, Peace could not come to men; Those who are satisfied today Would be the kickers then.

Accounting For It. "Did you see that idiotic woman kiss that dog of hers?" "Yes. Do you wonder that some dogs go mad?"

The Bluffers. In life's gigantic poker game Full many a man of honored name Without a telltale look or blush Is betting on a bobtail flush.

Taking. Nell—I don't know how to take young Mr. Softleigh. Belle—Why, has he asked you to?

His Own Make. We'd thank the self-made man if he Would only sometimes stop And curb his wild desire to be Forever talking shop.

The Difference. She—Why a bachelor is an object of public derision! He—Yes, and a married man gets his at home.

Kept Busy. "May I get a kiss on your lips?" I said, And she nodded her sweet permission; As we went to sleep, and I rather guess We were given a full edition.

THE FIRST TAILOR.

HE MONOPOLIZED THE SARTORIAL TRADE OF THE WORLD.

His Methods Were Crude, and His Materials Were Rather Grotesque, but He Turned Out Good, Honest Work, Hand Stitched Throughout.

The first industry of the world was tailoring. The first maker of clothes and the first wearer was Adam. Of this strange character who appears on the pages of history in the dual role of the first tailor and the first customer we have but a brief biography.

His early marriage and the trouble relating to the theft of some fruit with sundry other unpleasant details preceded his work as a tailor. He began in a humble way; just himself and one assistant. He was one of the early settlers in a newly opened country, a land of natural advantages which must soon attract other inhabitants.

As he busily piled his needle we know not what visions of future business and wealth filled his ambitious mind. But never in his wildest dreams did he conceive that his little tailoring establishment, employing only four hands, doing only a local trade and turning out the first custom made garment, would be the beginning of a ready made clothing business that in the United States alone gives labor to hundreds of thousands of hands and covers an investment of a great many million dollars.

But of the great wealth that has come from his invention Adam, like most pioneers, made no money whatever and died leaving his family without a penny. Even his name is not associated with his wonderful discovery, but—such is the sarcasm of time—it appears only in the word Adam's apple, in memory not of his virtues, but of an escape of his wife.

Though even Carlyle has not recognized Adam's sartorial genius, there are some capital points in the work of this first tailor. He originated the style himself. He was not a petty trader on the reputation of others and imitating their fashions. Even in the names for the garments he was original.

The material was not of the best, but Adam found no better at hand. Some of the modern tailors, making shoddy garments at shoddy prices, imitate Adam, who used "leavings."

As to Adam, the first customer, when he was alone in the world he never thought of dress, but when he came to the realization of himself as an individual and in relation to others he began to spruce up. Courtship led him to beautify himself, to appear well in the eyes of "the only woman he ever loved." Human nature has not changed much.

With the entry of society dress began. Perhaps this is why dress forms so prominent a feature in society today. Surely he needed to keep up appearances for the two weeks prior and then looked at his future. He had been in bad society and had been seen with a disreputable serpent, he had been led into temptation, he had broken the law, he was implicated in an apple theft as accessory after the fact, he had some of the stolen goods in his possession and he was then in "hiding." Discovery was certain. He was to be evicted from his home and in disgrace had to face the awfulness of actually earning his own living by work.

Then, after a mild attack of remorse, he was equal to the situation and in a manly way accepted it, made himself a suit of clothes in which he could make a decent appearance and began life anew with the courage, hope, pride and confidence that comes from the consciousness of being well dressed.

These Troublesome Questions. Little Willie—I say, pa? Pa—What is it, my son? Little Willie—What did mother live on before Adam and Eve wore clothes?—Sissy Biscuits.

The more truth you bring into an argument with a fool the harder he will contend.

HINTS FOR FARMERS

Seed Corn.

Recent experiments at the Iowa experiment station show that the current opinion of farmers that the butts and tips of the ears should be rejected in selecting seed corn was correct. In this test the result was a percentage of germination of 62.9 for tips, 88.9 for middles and 62.2 for butts.

The best way to select seed corn is in the ear, for the conformation of the ear is as important as that of the kernel. Long, close fitting kernels are wanted. So also are ears well filled at the ends and as nearly as possible cylindrical in form, which gives a larger per cent of normal sized kernels, for as the taper increases the length and size of the kernels decrease.

Mulch For Orchards. Trees usually cannot grow and ripen a crop of apples and fruit buds at the same time. Especially if suffering from drought they often do not mature the crop of apples. If this be true, which every observing man must admit, why not mulch? I fear that our great advisers have strayed away from nature—at any rate, in regard to trees.

Milk For Hens. I have fed thousands of cans of milk to hens and chickens and never but once suspected that it injured them, says O. W. Mapes, "the Hen Man." In this case a number of remnants of cans, some of them much older than others, were mixed together. This apparently poisoned the hens, so that a number of them died.

Alfalfa For Soiling. Seeing considerable inquiry for a soiling crop, I beg to say to all who have any suitable land try alfalfa, says P. Clawson of Ohio in Stockman and Farmer. If properly handled, it has no equal in the quality of feed, in the ease with which it is harvested, in the value of the residue, if any, and last, but not least, it is perpetual and easy to have it always at its best.

Winter Wheat. The Modern Miller in his crop summary says: "The latest returns indicate no change in the condition of winter wheat. The outlook in general is excellent. At the meeting of the Southwestern Missouri Millers' association it was the opinion the crop in the territory whence these millers draw their supplies was 105 compared with last year. A high average condition is also reported from elsewhere. There is no confirmation of damage by bugs in Texas or in other sections, and the only menace in the present freezing weather. Stocks of wheat in country elevators are the smallest of the season, as farmers are unable to make deliveries because of bad roads."

Asparagus From Seed. By starting with rooted plants a year is gained, but with some farmers a little money counts more than a great deal of time, and rather than pay a couple of dollars for the root they will go without. Sow seed early in spring in a bed by itself, making the ground rich, but avoiding weedy manure. Keep down the weeds and transplant the asparagus the following year, setting them a good distance apart and deep enough so that harrows and cultivators can be run over the surface.

Commercial Fertilizer. The commercial fertilizer used annually in the United States amounts to between \$40,000,000 and \$50,000,000. Most of the states have provided for official inspection of fertilizer to protect the farmer from fraud. The best applications are made in the southern states. In some of the prairie states hardly any commercial fertilizers are used.

EGG LORE.

Eggs constitute the most universal human food of animal origin.

Plover eggs are esteemed a great delicacy in England and Germany. The flavor of eggs may be influenced by the food eaten by laying hens. Hens' eggs have a white or brown color, but ducks' eggs are bluish white.

Hens' and ducks' eggs are commonly offered in our market, but turkey eggs are seldom eaten.

In Virginia gulls' eggs are commonly eaten, and in Texas the eggs of terns and herons are gathered along the coast.

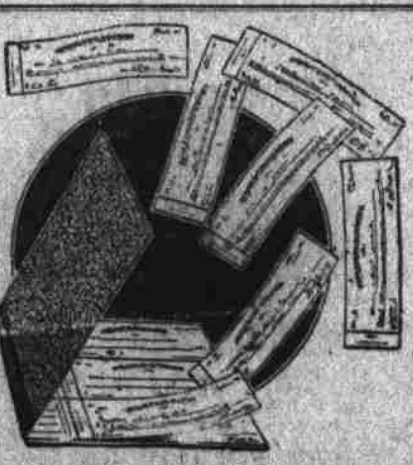
Turtle eggs are highly prized in countries where they are abundant and though once commonly eaten in America, are now seldom offered.

Cures For Insomnia. To an overworked little woman who suffers from insomnia an old doctor delivered himself as follows: "Shun all the devices one hears so much about, such as counting up to 5,000. They are maddening. Never take night baths if their action is too stimulating. Go in for a few physical exercises, including deep breathing. After the exercises walk backward on tiptoe round the room until forty or fifty steps have been taken. When in bed, relax the body completely. Take long, slow, deep breaths, and if you must think of something imagine yourself surrounded and supported by a soft, strong, gray cloud which is bearing you off to slumberland. Drinking a glass of warm milk just before retiring sometimes hastens the trip."

Queer Looking Worms. New Zealand, Australia, the Samoan and the Solomon Islands as well as portions of the Hawaiian group are the homes of various species of worms with thick, heavy bodies and with a well defined neck connecting the body with a head that is a startling reminder of that of the monkey. In the Sandwich Islands they are called "me-tu-lu-ki," which means "creeper with a child's head." An old New Zealand legend says that at one time they were of immense proportions and threatened the extinction of all human life on the islands.

The Old Man's Snake Story. "And you say the snake was fifteen feet long?" "Well, sub, he looked dat long w'en he stretched his full length ter strike me." "But a snake never strikes unless he's in coll." "Marse Tom," said the old man, "we better end dis conversation right whar it is. Either I'm a nachul bo' liar or long drinkin' huz made you a fust class authority on snakes!"

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