

U. S. NOW INSIGNIA FOR ALL OFFICERS OF LAND FORCES

War Department's Order Tends to Creation of Single Army

NEW PROMOTION RULINGS

Seniority Will Count Only Where Other Requirements for Posts Are Absolutely Equal

As a result of the experience of the A.E.F. in France, the Commander-in-Chief deemed it advisable that the insignia "U.S." be adopted for all officers and so recommended to the War Department.

The result, particularly as it concerns the A.E.F., is the creation of a homogeneous officer body and will tend to the creation of one army—the U.S. Army.

Seniority will be a determining factor in promotion only in cases where two or more officers recommended for promotion are held to be equally efficient.

Regular Army officers holding permanent or provisional appointments in the line of the Army, or in any established staff corps or department, will be recommended for promotion to the National Army in the order of seniority, with certain exceptions.

Must Wait Three Months

An officer who is inefficient or who is otherwise unqualified to perform the duties of the next higher grade will not be recommended for promotion in his and junior to the one found unqualified will be recommended. The officer found unqualified will, at the end of three months, again be first on the list in his grade for consideration for promotion.

If Line Officer Is Called

When a vacancy occurs which requires the service of a line officer, recommendation will be made that the vacancy be filled by promotion from the list of line officers, which, with respect to total length of commissioned service, is further behind in promotion.

According to Age

If these rules do not establish the claim to seniority, officers will take rank according to age. And if the coincidences still keep up and even the ages are identical, rank will be determined by the date of the order placing them on active duty, and in the case of other officers, by the date of the rank given in their commissions.

Capper Seeks Senatorship

AMERICA, Aug. 8.—In Kansas, Arthur Capper, present governor, will have to run for his second term, twice governor, Charles F. Scott, congressman for ten years, and Joseph Bristow, United States senator for six years, are out for the Republican primary nomination for the United States senate.

MEDICINE FOR SICK GERMANS



SPEEDY RUNNERS NORTH OF OURCQ RACE WITH DEATH

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admirable, but its machinery is too heavy and its mechanism too delicate for the climaxes of open warfare.

Back to First Principles

In such fighting as drove the armies of the Great France from the Marne to the Vesle, the leaders in battle revert to first principles in more ways than one.

Most of them are young boys of 18 or 19. Their work is important beyond measure. It is dangerous because sometimes they cannot crouch and take cover, though their path leads them through such crawling as a shifting battlefield all cut with groves and knolls, and sometimes catch the enemy eye and draw his fire on the signal man.

Getting It Through

One would crawl to the major's dugout, forgetting to chuck the cigarette that dangled from the corner of his mouth as he nonchalantly delivered the message, cool and unafraid. The major's hand on the major's side, drop to his knees and spit out his message with clenched hands, popping eyes and lips so trembling that he could scarcely make himself understood.

Sometimes the path was so perilous and the word so vital that three were charged with the one message. You can imagine them crouching in the dugout, straining at the bushes as his hand to them in quick, sharp sentences. Have they got it? The three bend nod. Then, like pistol shots, the lieutenant gives the signals.

Running His Last Race

Many caught up a message and went on with it, though they knew it had fallen to them because the others who had tried were dead. Many got all the way, though they were shot as they ran, the private, with a hole in his abdomen, held his hand over that hole and somehow carried his message the last eighth of a mile across a field that the German guns were blasting. After he had delivered his message, he died.

On the day the Yanks went across the creek and up the hill, Private M. A. Treptow of Iowa ran his last race from the company to the battalion. He had almost reached his goal when a machine gun dropped him.

America shall win the war; therefore I will work, I will save, I will sacrifice, I will endure, I will fight cheerfully and do my utmost, as if the whole issue of the struggle depended on me alone. Treptow had called this "My Pledge," and thereto he had subscribed his name.

HUSTLING JASBOS LAY THEIR GUNS TRUE

Artillerymen Catch Up to Mark and Find They Hit Squarely

FIRING WITH OPEN SIGHTS

Hun Machine Gun Nests Plastered from Neighboring Ridge and Infantry Does Rest

American Artillerymen have found at least two thrills in their work through the big advance, despite the old belief that most of the thrills remain for the infantry.

"No," said a young lieutenant. "I didn't see our shells hit, but that didn't matter. It was even more fun the way it worked on the Hun machine gun nests."

"You see, first we would do all our map reading and orienting and then send our data for adjustment on a certain cross road or a certain part of the village ahead. Either target might be 4 or 5 kilometers away. Then we'd open fire and very likely a few minutes later would move on up with the advance."

Robbing the Nests

That isn't the only artillery thrill this last rush produced. On at least two occasions word was passed to the light artillery that just over outlying crests, in a ridge of woods around, machine gun nests had been spotted by forward observers who were on the job.

"The prettiest sight I've seen in this war," said one of the observers, "was the battery coming up the hill. Did it lay back to spray the machine guns with indirect fire from the map? Not even a second. When it got the word, the horses came up near the top on a gallop, the guns were rushed right to the crest and almost before the astonished Hun knew what was happening, the horse and light were raking them with direct fire, sniping as directly and as surely as any rifleman could do."

Cheers from the Doughboy

On each occasion the light artillery secured its range and direction with amazing quickness and the machine gun nests were blown into fragments, leaving the infantry an easy and safe journey across the way to gather up the fragments.

No one cheered louder than the infantry, who had drawn more than the usual allotment of charging forward into these positions where the artillery was unable to furnish any aid.

If any one thinks that there is no thrill in artillery work, let him ask one of those gunners or any other member of the gun squad who stood out in the open on the top of a ridge using a field piece as one would use a rifle.

12,000 TON VESSEL BUILT IN 24 DAYS

Ship Construction Pace Is Faster and Faster—Great Lakes Leads in Week

AMERICA, Aug. 8.—Shipbuilding is proceeding at a constantly increasing pace. The Bethlehem shipyard at Alameda, Cal., launched the 12,000-ton steamship Invincible this week, 24 work days after the keel was laid, and it was announced that the big vessel would be ready for sea in 31 more working days.

A total deadweight tonnage of 36,000 was completed and delivered by American shipyards during the week ending July 29. In the same week 15 steel ships of a total tonnage of 53,000 and five wooden ships of a tonnage of 19,000 were launched.

Coast Leads in Launchings

The Great Lakes led in deliveries, turning over to the Government four completed steamers, and the Pacific Coast was second with three ships finished. In launchings, the Pacific Coast led, putting seven vessels in the water. The Great Lakes launched six ships and the Gulf and Atlantic Coasts one each.

A new presidential proclamation has placed the Shipping Board in full charge of all American shipping, by putting all charters under their control. It is proclaimed that American citizens can charter foreign vessels for private enterprise only with the approval of the national board.

This practically completes the Government control of all shipping, insures the retention of all American tonnage in our hands and prevents foreign control of any ship except under Government approval.

VEGETABLES ABOUND IN MANY MESS HALLS

Permanent Camps Enjoy Garden Delectables and Save Tonnage

Radishes, green onions, lettuce and half a dozen other summer delectables have been for several weeks on the menus of most of the troops in the A.E.F. that are stationed at permanent camps. The amateur farmers of the S.O.S., who in their idle time last spring set out war gardens, are reaping the fruits—or, rather, the vegetables—of their endeavor.

Gardens at practically all the base hospitals, where convalescents did their trick with the hoe before returning to active duty, have turned out highly successful. Fresh vegetables in abundance supplement the regular rations. The same is true of the casual and rest camps, where troops passing through devoted their spare time to working the gardens for the benefit of future tenants, and of the various depots where organizations are permanently stationed.

With the bulk of the harvest yet to come in the line of potatoes, corn and more substantial vegetables, the war gardens already have produced an appreciable supply of food, thereby saving a valuable amount of ship tonnage for the transport of other supplies.

NUMBERS MUST BE USED

Owing to the fact that there are many duplications of names in this Army of 1,300,000 men and more to come, C.O.'s statistical and personnel officers are directed in Bulletin 40 to see that the Army serial number assigned each man be used on all documents pertaining to the soldier.

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