

"MAKE BELIEVE" GAME PLAYED BY LAND MEN-O-WAR

Recruits at Great Lakes Station go Through Customs of Shipboard.

GREAT LAKES, Ill., June 28.—It's a great game they play out here at the United States Naval Training Station, a glorified sort of "let's make believe" of childhood days, with the difference that in this case the entire proceeding is deadly earnest and fraught with tremendous possibilities to a nation.

For players there are 8,000 men and for toys they have all the devices of modern sea-warfare—guns, boats, a radio station. The hundreds of acres in the reservation are the ship and sevilles is at two bells instead of five o'clock.

"Not many of the men are around today; all of them have gone ashore," said an officer recently to a visitor inspecting the station.

Nothing But Prairie.

"Ashore?" was the gasping reply. For miles around there was nothing in sight but prairie.

"Or leave, that is," was the explanation. "When they leave the station, they go ashore, for we are living under the same conditions as if we were at sea."

Life in the station provides the recruit everything he would get at sea except sea-sickness. He scrubs his barracks or tent floor instead of a deck, but he calls it "scrubbing deck." And the time-honored salt water custom which decrees that the bluejacket must be his own laundress prevails on this gigantic inland warship.

Every day is a busy day, but the men thrive on it. One of them outlined a typical 24 hours of routine as follows:

Schedule for Day.

5 a. m.—Reveille.
5:15 a. m.—Fall in for setting up exercises and bath.

5:30 a. m.—Tidy up quarters, scrub decks, roll up tent to let in sun and air and place cot on outside after rolling up bedding.

6:30 a. m.—Mess, which is "navy" for any meal.

8:00 a. m.—Drill until 11 a. m.
Noon—Mess.

1:00 p. m.—Drill until 3 p. m.

3:00 p. m.—Three hours of recreation, study and washing clothes.

6:00 p. m.—Mess.

6:30 p. m.—Mustering for inspection, after which there are two hours for recreation or study.

8:30 p. m.—Signal for all to be in tents.

8:45 p. m.—Final gun, all quiet on board.

9:00 p. m.—Taps.

Such an arbitrary outline, however, necessarily varies from day to day and fails to include many of the most interesting features of the life of a recruit. In between the various duties which must be performed, the sailor manages to sandwich minutes that keep his dunnage bag in ship-shape, enable him to write real yarns to the folks back home or to puff pipe in quiet contentment. He is a miser of his time or soon learns to be, for living under naval routine he must needs find for himself opportunity for personal devices.

Infantry Drill on Bill.

Varying the day's work, drill may be devoted one day to infantry instruction with gun and bayonet, for the sailor must learn land tactics as well as seamanship, while the next day boats are manned and the bluejackets go dipping over Lake Michigan as if preparing for a landing on a foreign shore.

Buildings of the station provide means for training the men in every work which they may be called upon to perform. In the big arched drill hall, large enough to house a regiment, platforms across either end are equipped with signalling apparatus—semaphore, wig-wag, Ordois—found on the bridge of a war vessel. On the drill floor are 5-inch field guns.

In the gymnasium, spars are swung from the balconies and depending rope ladders give land-lubbers from Kansas and Indiana and other inland states new thrills in climbing their snaky lengths. In the instruction building, examples of all varieties of knots—double carricks, Turk's heads, luff tackles and Mathew Walkers—show what the recruit has to learn to do with a bit of rope. A swinging platform on wheels, on which is mounted a compass and steering wheel, offers all the sensations of a rolling boat as the landsman tries to "keep her headed north by nor'."

"Hides Treacherous Foe."
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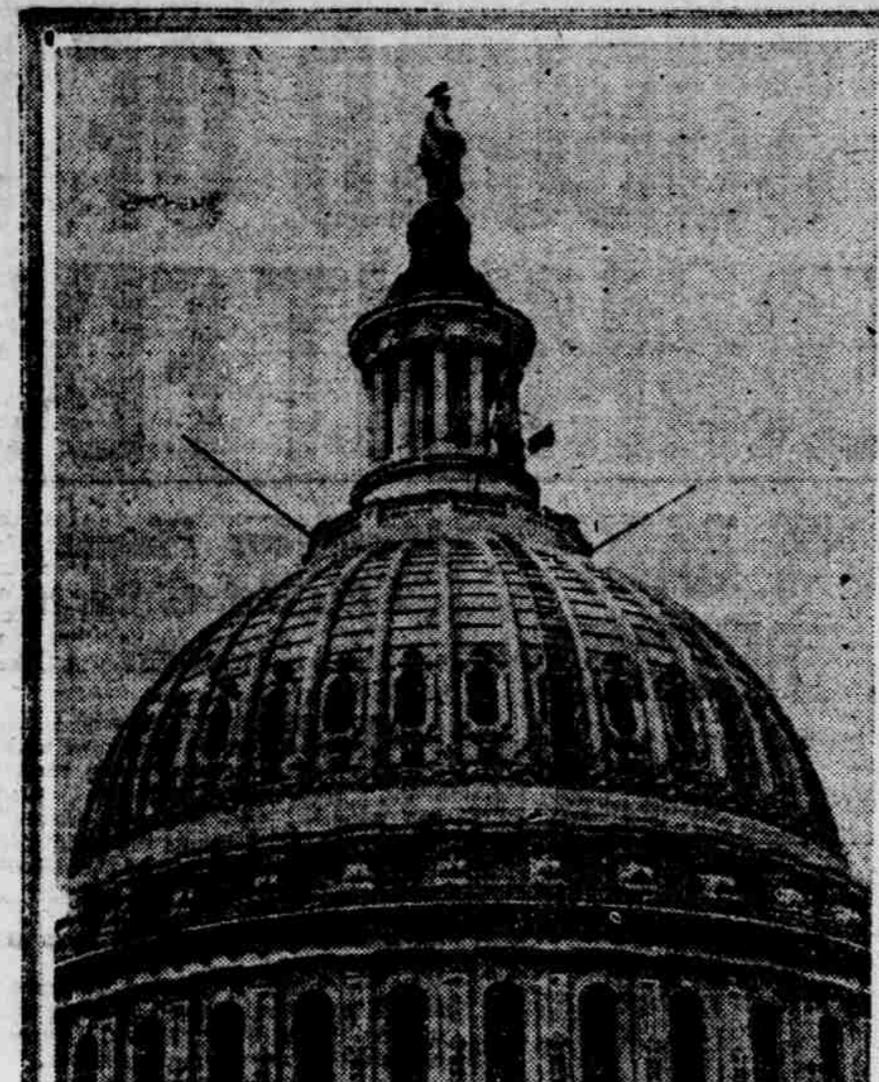
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WIG-WAG FROM CAPITOL.

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UNITED STATES IS NOT INVITED TO PEACE CONFERENCE

MEXICO CITY, June 28.—A Latin-American diplomat who is one of the ministers to Mexico, said last night that all Latin-American countries except Cuba and Panama, had accepted the invitation of Argentina for a congress of Latin-American nations at Buenos Aires at which the stand of Latin-America in the world conflict will be determined and at which will be discussed how best peace can be brought about.

The diplomat said that the invitation from Argentina was presented about a month ago and Mexico had accepted. The time for holding the congress, he said, was unfix, but urgent efforts are being made to hold it

tricity record on shore the hits made on the bulls eye out in the water.

Recruits Behind Footlights.

While the government has been building it has not forgotten that the majority of the men who answer the call to the colors are still youths. Recreation of every clean and healthful kind is encouraged. Besides the gymnasium, there is a fully equipped theatre, where the sailors produce and act anything from a three-act farce to a five-act drama, which at other times serves as a concert hall, next is available as a dancing pavilion, and on Sundays is commandeered by the chaplains for religious services. Marine decorations of vari-colored signal flags enliven the place. Bowling alleys, billiard rooms and a library also are open to the men.

It is perhaps in the mess hall of the station that the visitors see the station at its best. While they may have been impressed by the spotless barracks, or the orderly streets of tents which house the overflow population since the station has grown overnight from 1,500 to 9,000 men, it is the task of providing sustenance, three times a day for so many growing Americans that excites wonder and admiration.

A preliminary delicious odor of baking bread puts the civilian in a proper state of mind to appreciate the heaping plates of substantial and thoroughly cooked food before which 3,000 men stand at one time, until the officer in command gives the word to "fall to." There is ice cream or a brilliant-hued piece of watermelon to top off the repast, which no visitor ever has been able to remain through, watching the gustatory satisfaction in which he has no part. Unfortunately, dinner is not served for persons "from ashore."

from the boats and struggled up the hills in fine order, then made an orderly retreat after the objectives had been gained.

Adding to the reality of the games are sentries constantly patrolling the lake shore, armed with signal flags and spy glasses in addition to ample means for taking care of any hostile visitor. In times past, these apprentice seamen, keeping watch on an inland shore, have given fine aid to lake steamers which hoisted distress flags.

Target practice is a prime necessity in the training of a sailor and the lake bluffs made a fine natural range. Self-registering targets, operated by elec-

tricity record on shore the hits made on the bulls eye out in the water.

A red sunrise with clouds lowering later in the morning indicates rain.

OTTO SPRONG TELLS HOW CITY IS SAVED STORMS

Richmond's location among the Wayne county hills saves her from serious storms, according to old-time weather experts says Otto Sprong, of the post office.

The big swell of ground at Jackson Hill, west of the city, either thrusts storms up into the air so that they pass over the city, or split them so that they miss it.

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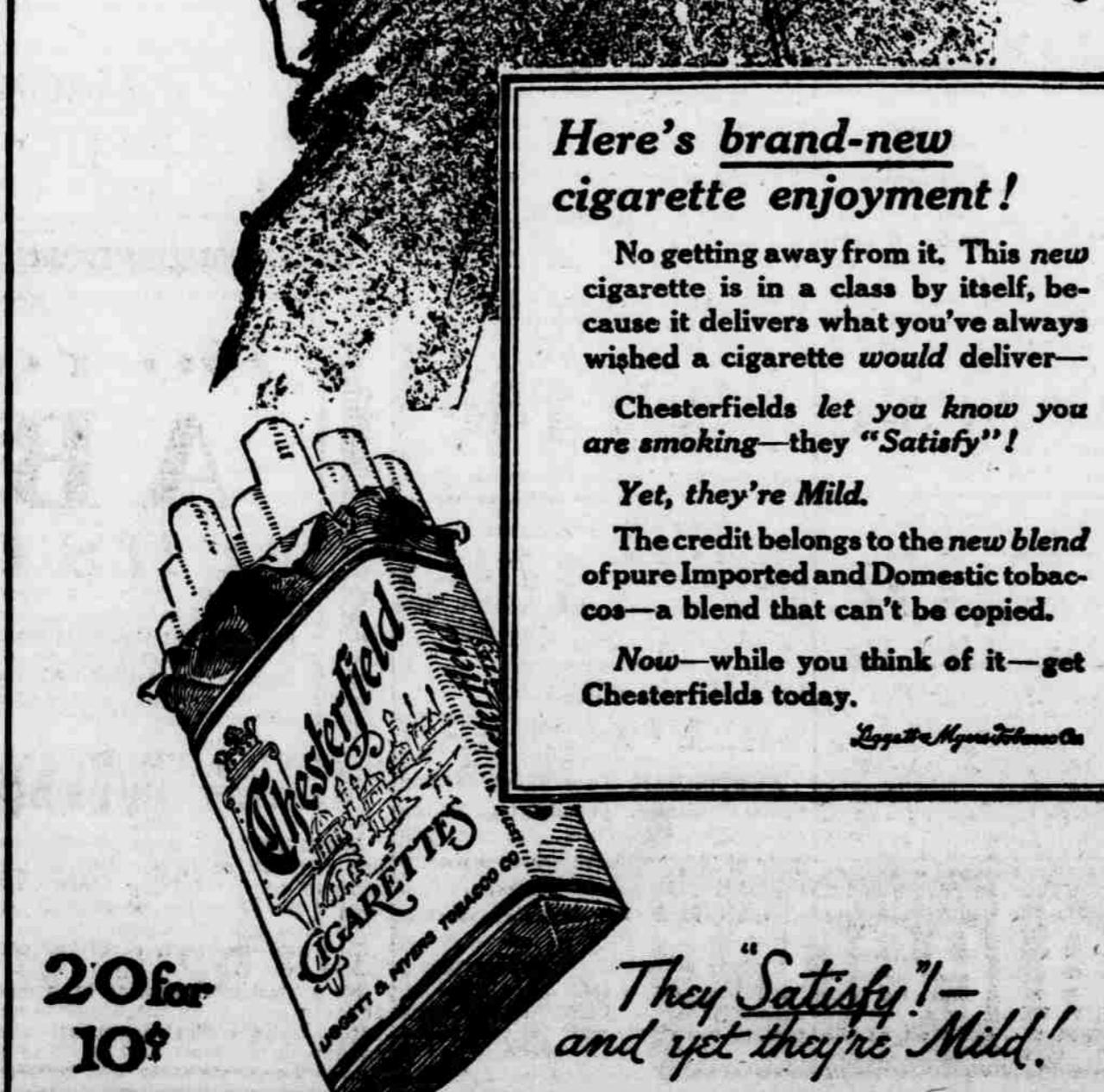
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