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How a "Nation in Arms" Has Been Built Up Since Napoleon Shattered Prussia's Army.

The Prussian army, which forms the backbone of the Imperial German army, goes back to the reconstruction of the old Prussian army, which, shattered by Napoleon in 1806, had gone to pieces.

In order to free Prussia from the French "yoke," General Scharnhorst conceived the idea of summoning to arms the entire population capable of bearing them. In 1813 this plan was put into operation.

Only through this tremendous effort of Prussia in conjunction with all the other powers, was it possible to put an end to the menace of Napoleon's universal dominion. Napoleon's power was already great that his mediate and immediate subjects amounted to 70,000,000; his opponents taken all together, were scarcely more numerous. None of them therefore could be spared for victory, nor Austria; and Prussia, which did not yet number 5,000,000, was forced to introduce universal military duty and carry it to complete adoption.

This universal duty of bearing arms proved such a brilliant success in the wars of liberation that it was retained in times of peace, although it was not alone a heavy burden for the Prussian people, but was fraught with difficulties in execution.

The standing army still showed great resemblance to the armies of the eighteenth century, as the English army still does to-day. A large proportion of the soldiers served twenty years, and even longer. As a result there was in this army but little room for the recruits who were called by universal conscription, especially as these were to be retained with the colors for a period of three years.

The great mass of the recruits, very superficially trained or not at all, were incorporated into the Landwehr. This Prussian Landwehr thus bore a great similarity to the British militia, and its military usefulness was slight. Only gradually, in the course of the nineteenth century, was this evil overcome.

On the one hand, the class of soldiers serving for a long number of years dwindled, as the favorable development of economic life and industry brought about better wages than the slender pay in the army. To-day it is considered sufficient to retain merely that number of soldiers after a long period of service adequate to satisfy the need for non-commissioned officers.

On the other hand, after long hesitation, the time of service was reduced from three years to two years, with the exception of the cavalry and the mounted field artillery. This reduction, in 1893, aroused great apprehension in officers' circles and among many patriots. It was thought that the military spirit would suffer, and that the army would really be no army at all, but merely a Volkwehr of militia, since only the first-year class would be under arms at the moment when the elder was released and the new recruits were not yet trained. But subsequent success proved that the fears were groundless.

Through continued and great efforts, and through the most careful use of the time, the two-year period of service has been made to furnish excellent military material.

The organization is now very simple. The duty of military service extends from the twentieth to the forty-fifth year. The two youngest classes form the standing army. The next classes are made use of in event of war, approximately, to double the strength of the regiments, to form reserve regiments and to create ersatz or compensating battalions with ersatz reserves.

**The Landsturm.**

Landwehr regiments are formed from the elder landwehr soldiers, and finally from the last classes up to the forty-fifth year are formed the Landsturm or last reserve regiments, service and as guards for prisoners, but who in this war have frequently fought to the front. Recourse is had only in the last event to the younger class from the seventeenth to the twentieth year.

When Minister of War Boyen, the disciple and follower of Scharnhorst, organized the new army of peace in the autumn of 1814, he established the principle that the standing army should contain about ten thousand men for every million of population. This represented at that time, as Prussia numbered ten million in population, something over 100,000 men, or 1 per cent of the total number.

This percentage has varied but little during the last century. When no fresh contingents were formed for the same time it would occasionally

sink slightly below that level; and when for the purpose of absorbing the excess of young men new regiments were authorized, the ratio would increase by a fraction over 1 per cent. In the summer of the year 1914, it stood 1,117 per cent for the army and 1,27 per cent for the army and navy together, not counting the officers. The natural aim, however, of such a policy—to have all serviceable young men pass through the training school of the army has never been realized, even at the outbreak of the present war. Although in the year 1913 the standing army has increased by 63,000 recruits, there still remained 30,000 recruits thoroughly serviceable young men, and not less than approximately 200,000 with slight physical disabilities (ersatz reserve and Landsturm with weapons) who might have been called to the colors and who are now, with the progress of the war gradually being drafted into the army.

**Reforms in Past Century.**

The reforms undertaken in the army in the last century had, on the whole, for their purpose not so much to increase the numbers in the army in proportion to the population as though reduction of the term of service to reduce the individual burden connected with this militaristic system, and to make room for the training of a greater fraction of the nation. But we have never carried the universal duty of military service to its final conclusion.

Of the greatest importance, from the political as well as the military standpoint, is the institution of the one-year volunteers (einjahrig-freiwillige). The name "volunteer" is no longer applicable. It originated at the time when the army was not yet large enough to accommodate all eligible men, and when lots were drawn among the superfluous.

In order to enjoy the privilege of one-year-service, the recruit, had to relinquish the right of drawing lots, and to this extent the service was voluntary. To be eligible to serve as a one-year volunteer a young man had to provide himself with a superior education be means of school testimonials or on a basis of a rather severe examination.

**One Year Service**

The one-year voluntary service there is in no sense a privilege of wealth but rather a privilege of education for, whereas the examination may never be renounced, assistance is given to young men of superior education who lack the means for supporting themselves throughout the entire year.

The one-year service, which was introduced by Minister of War von Boyen in 1814, together with the du-

**SIMILES.**

- As wet as a fish—as dry as a bone;
- As live as a bird—as dead as a stone;
- As plump as a partridge—as poor as a rat;
- As strong as a horse—as weak as a cat;
- As hard as a flint—as soft as a mole;
- As white as a lily—as black as a coal;
- As plain as a pike-staff—as rough as a bear;
- As light as a drum—as free as the air;
- As heavy as lead—as light as a feather;
- As steady as time—uncertain as weather;
- As hot as an oven—as cold as a frog;
- As gay as a lark—as sick as a dog;
- As slow as the tortoise—as swift as the wind;
- As true as the gospel—as false as mankind;
- As thin as a herring—as fat as a pig;
- As proud as a peacock—as blithe as a grig;
- As savage as tigers—as mild as a dove;
- As stiff as a poker—as limp as a glove;
- As blind as a bat—as deaf as a post;
- As cool as a cucumber—as warm as a toast;
- As flat as a flounder—as round as a ball;
- As blunt as a hammer—as sharp as an awl;
- As red as a ferret—as safe as the stocks;
- As bold as a thief—as sly as a fox;
- As straight as an arrow—as crook'd as a bow;
- As yellow as saffron—as black as a sloe;
- As brittle as glass—as tough as gristle;
- As neat as a nail—as clean as a whistle;
- As good as a feast—as bad as a witch;
- As light as is day—as dark as is pitch;
- As brisk as a bee—as dull as an ass;
- As full as a tick—as solid as brass.

**Pastor Puj One Over.**

The new pastor of a certain country parish is like to lose the confidence of his flock unless he changes his ways. During his sermon one Sunday morning not long back he stopped abruptly and asked:

"How many of those here are diligent students of their Bibles?"

Fifty hands went up.

"Good," said the pastor. "Now how many of you have read the second chapter of Jude?"

A wan smile overspread the divine's face.

"That's also good; but when you go home and read the chapter again you will doubtless learn something to your interest."

The point of this story, says the teller of it, lies in the fact that the Book of Jude consists of one chapter only.

Survivor James Hearn left by the Prospero yesterday to go to White Bay to survey valuable mineral properties held there by Messrs. Frelich, Parrel and others in the city.

The Kaiser is at the Somme front to get a last look at a vanishing German frontier.

When a man smokes cigarettes and wears loud socks—but why say it? no man ever does.

Have all the girls decided that khaki is their favorite color?

ty of general military service, has two striking advantages. In the first place, military service for one year interrupts but slightly the general training of our young men. On the contrary, it is regarded by many as a great advantage that young men, whether merchants, students or farmers, interrupt once in their life their civil employment and become familiar with an entirely new world.

In the second place these one-year volunteers provide the indispensable material for replenishing the body of officers. After one year of service has rendered a sifting possible, the superiors select those suitable for the position of officers, who are then called to the colors twice for a period of eight weeks, thoroughly trained and commissioned as officers.

In the event of mobilization these reserve and landwehr officers are intermingled with the regular officers, in such a manner that a great number of reserve officers are drawn into line regiments, while regular officers are assigned to the reserve and landwehr regiments, especially in positions of command. Acquaintance with German officers' corps in time of war shows that a large proportion of them are judges, state's attorneys, teachers, professors, artists, writers, farmers, merchants, engineers and officials of all kinds.—From "Modern Germany, in Relation to the Great War," by various German writers; Mitchell Kennerley, 1916.

**"DARING" MODELS IN STYLE NOW**

Chicago, Ill., August 5.—All Chicagoans, or at least a great big proportion of the male element of the Windy City's population, are waiting impatiently for the doors of the Bismarck Garden to swing open Monday for the opening of the fashion show, which is to be held in conjunction with Chicago's annual Market Week celebration. Ordinarily the men are not sufficiently interested in the styles of women's dress to be enticed away

from the loop district to the far North Side. But in this particular case "there's a reason." Which is to be found in the following announcement by the promoters of the exhibition: "Enticing models, garbed in daring bathing suits, will be exhibited arising out of a fountain built for this particular stunt."

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