

Staff Officers Discuss Functions

Major Sloan called a meeting of all the Staff Officers last week and discussed with them his plan of commanding the Corps through a process of de-centralization. "That is," he said, "To get the higher commanders and their staffs instructed in the specific duties they are to perform. In the past years it has been a custom to neglect most of the functions that should be performed by the Regimental Commanders and the various Staff Officers of the Corp. Too much work has been done by such individuals as the Corps Commander and the Battalion Commanders. These Commanders are supplied with a staff to assist in

carrying out the various duties and responsibilities assigned their respective offices."

"Now that we have three Regiments, with a Lieutenant Colonel in command of each, the Corps Commander should de-centralize the operations so that each Regimental Commander will be responsible for his own Regiment. The Regimental Commanders, in turn, should de-centralize the operations to the Battalion Commander, and so on down until the order reaches the individual for whom it was originally intended. The mechanism used in this de-centralization should be the various Staffs."

"When work is properly distributed no one is overlooked, but when one man attempts to do too much or to reserve to himself too many details, the entire organization is clogged."

The general scheme is so arranged that when the Cadet Colonel receives an order concerning the various organizations under his command, he will not have to go look up the individual, but will pass the order on to his sub-ordinates and they deliver the order personally. This will give all the members of the Staffs a specific duty and will further the betterment and organization of the entire Corps.

Prohibition was intended to save the country and generations yet to come. There are a million boys growing up in the United States who have never seen a saloon, and who will never know the handicap of liquor, either in themselves or their relatives; and this excellent condition will go on spreading itself over the

country when the wet press and the paid propadanda of booze are forgotten.

The coming of prohibition has put more of the workman's money into savings banks and into his wife's pocketbook. He has more leisure to spend with his family. The family life is healthier. Workmen go out of doors, go on picnics, have time to see their children and play with them. They have time to see more, do more—and, incidentally, they buy more. This stimulates business and increases prosperity, and in the general economic circle the money passes through industry again and back into the workman's pocket. It is a truism that what benefits one is bound to benefit all, and labor is coming to see the truth of this more every day.—Henry Ford.

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