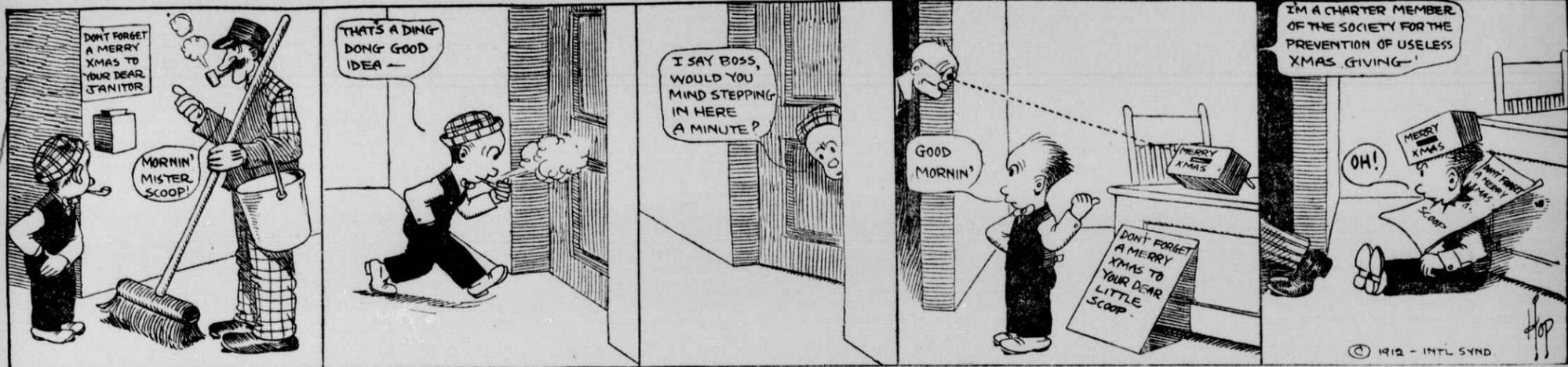


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## Captain Steunenberg's Army Verses Real Classics; Has Had a Very Interesting Career

(Spokesman-Review)

"Come in!" rang a rollicking voice down the stairway of Captain George Steunenberg's quarters at Fort George Wright.

"I'm glad to see you," he continued as generally at the landing, "but I haven't a word to say—not a word."

This latter seemingly unobscure declaration becomes comprehensible in connection with the fact that the captain was talking to civilians and especially newspaper civilians.

It is necessary further to connect the situation with a certain bit of galloping rhyme that has gone swinging around the country, and will doubtless make the circuit of the globe among soldiers, at least, before the last is heard of it. It likely never will become extinct among the English and the French.

Promises made the captain—he could call out a whole company with fixed bayonets any time he wanted to—make it advisable to handle that incident rather tenderly now. There is nothing actually worth while in trifling with about six feet of bone and muscle that was raised in Idaho and has seen 17 years' service in the army and navy combined. More especially when the bone and muscle happens to be concerned with someone that started wholly in fun and wound up with a ridiculous semblance of seriousness. There may be a casualty or so yet when the captain discovers that a drawing of him was secured.

It is one of the verities of the army that Captain Steunenberg can accomplish exceedingly diverting verse formation when there isn't any fighting on hand. That fact has become appreciated generally of late.

**Captain Can't Understand It.**

It suddenly became universally so, you might say, when the captain's typewriter chuckled off a set of observations that told among other things how "A Montenegro major rolled a cigarette and scratched a match upon his pants." It wasn't the use of the last word quoted that caused the trouble. The Montenegro major's peace of mind was due to the demoralization of a Turkish army that happened to have been drilled by German officers, a fact that the poetic narration did not wholly conceal. Such attention to detail on the part of a government officer in reference to officers and methods of another government are held to be things for diplomats to worry about, albeit the thing that everybody else loves to laugh about.

At any rate, somebody raised the question as to how the Kaiser might interpret the verses, in consequence of which the latter became an object of national and international interest, blooming successively in newspapers and periodicals far and wide. Some of the latter added to the humor of the situation by trying to take it seriously with Captain Steunenberg going about his duties out here at Fort Wright in what may be conservatively mentioned as an amazed state of mind. He had been amusing army circles and himself for years in this manner, suddenly to find himself elevated to the attitude of an international episode solely through a natural and innocent development of his talent for rhythmic fun. But it is all smoothed over now apparently and unlikely that the Kaiser will shoot us up for it.

**All Soldier in Appearance.**

This is not Captain Steunenberg's explanation—he wouldn't discuss the thing at all—but merely a reminder of what has been common knowledge, as an introduction to mention of other effective verses the captain has delivered from his typewriter.

In appearance he is all the soldier and none of the poet. There is considerably more than the usual amount of intelligence set into his face and forehead, but that is nothing uncommon in the army. He laughs easily, naturally and almost constantly, but if he came at you laughing in a skirmish it might be just as well to select a place where the underbrush was well developed. The captain has a wide, open hazel-tinted eye. One of the kind that can be closed more conveniently than it can be turned towards the rear.

His hair is dark and thick—not worn

captain extends these unusual privileges:

"You can rubber into every tent and see the soldiers eat—  
You can see us change our undershirts and maybe wash our feet—  
You can see us shave with cactus leaves and scrub our teeth with sand—  
You can see the finest army in the whole blamed land."

All he asks in return for this and a great deal more that would doubtless be as entertaining in information as to why the army was sent to such a place.

**Glimpse of Military Despair.**

The captain has seen some other locations he didn't like, one of this sort:

"No charms of nature greet the eye—  
no cool and shady dells—  
No grassy slopes nor babbling brooks,  
no sound of village bells;  
No winsome maidens greet us with a shy, enticing wink—  
"This desolation everywhere and not a drink to drink."

Captain Steunenberg would give up almost everything but his commission to live undisturbed by the possibility of marching orders in Spokane. He transferred from the Seventeenth to the Twenty-fifth regiment to come here last May, and he sees no advantage in shortly moving to the Sandwich Islands, where the regiment has been ordered.

As a boy he came to the Boise valley in Idaho from Iowa. Down there he worked as a miner. Then he roamed away and went into the navy, being at Honolulu on the Boston when Queen Lili was ushered off the throne in favor of a republic. When the Spanish war broke out he set out in search of it as second lieutenant of the First Idaho volunteers. In less than a year he was a captain.

After being mustered out he joined the Eleventh cavalry as a private, served two years and emerged as first sergeant in January, 1901. On the next day he was commissioned first lieutenant in the Forty-eighth volunteer infantry, mustered out in the following June, and commissioned first lieutenant in the Thirtieth regular cavalry, his commission dating back to February, 1901.

**Progressive as Poet-Warrior.**

In 1908 he was transferred to the Twenty-eighth infantry, and three years later he became a captain in the Seventeenth infantry. You will observe that Steunenberg gave some attention to military tactics and other army essentials as well as versification as he proceeded through the service. For two years he was commandant at Idaho Agricultural college, Moscow. With his men and fellow officers he is one of the most popular members of the army, a thing you comprehend clearly in a brief interview.

If the Kaiser got acquainted with him that little matter of rhyme previously mentioned would be framed, and hung in the throne room. Steunenberg was born with a mission to make you feel good, and is simply living it, in addition to rendering efficient military service.

**The Feline Curse at Leavenworth.**

"Talk about migrations—you never saw the like!  
Imagine forty thousand cats a-coming down the pike!  
Talk about the Aryan, the Celtic and Teutonic—  
The Visigothic, Ostrogothic, Vandal and Slavonic;  
Or any old migration that the world has ever seen—  
The snakes and frogs creeping from the little isle so green—  
The Israelites a-biking from the valley of the Nile,  
But the kitties leaving Leavenworth have got 'em skinned a mile.  
Stray cats, gray cats, regiments of cats—  
Packing up their haversacks and putting on their hats;  
Forming line of columns to the music of the band,  
With a tomat for a Meese they intend to go to the promised land."

This was inspired by General Funston ordering a myriad of cats banished from Fort Leavenworth, and about every comical phase of the cat and Kansas combination is displayed in the entire poem.

**The Canine Curse at Snelling.**

There was a time when Fort Snelling was over-garrisoned with dogs. Captain Steunenberg served there then, and here is a little piece of the result: "Round about the garrison they rove in hungry packs;  
They shine at grand maneuvers and they're strong on night attacks;  
They're organized in companies, they're trained to fight and kill—  
Every Wednesday afternoon they hold battalion drill.  
Trick dogs, silk dogs, funny dogs and bright—  
Some can talk in Volapuk, some can read and write;  
Pretty dogs, witty dogs, just as sweet as pie—  
They can yelp the Ten Commandments and never bat an eye."

**The "Army Snowbird."**

Of the "army snowbird," the wanderer who enlists for as long as cold weather only, the captain sings a history that begins in this wise: "Oh, the snowbird, he's a daisy—have you never heard him sing?  
He joins us in the autumn and he beats it in the spring;  
He spends a cozy winter on a cozy little bunk,  
With occasional departures on a periodic drunk.  
He likes to tell civilians that the army life is hard;  
He chews the rag forever if he has to do a guard;  
And he blows about his birth and how much his father's worth—  
You'd think to hear him tell it that his father owned the earth.  
And he isn't strong enough to work, as everybody knows,  
But it takes a squad to hold him when the mess call blows."

**Rhymes Out of Rocky Stuff.**

You don't get any better swing in the verse that made Kipling famous than what Steunenberg puts into that. In the "Story of Cooper, the Studios One," he created smooth rhyme out of such jagged material as this: "The paleozoic age rolled away,  
Fishes and scaly things had their day,  
The dim mesozoic the reptiles brought—  
Through the old tertiary the mastodons fought  
Till at least, in accordance with nature's plan,  
Out of the ages came glorious man,  
But Cooper kept on boning."  
When any mortal can do a thing like that it is hard to imagine where his talents wouldn't be wasted.  
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## AQUATIC SPORTS AT NATATORIUM

### Expert Swimmers to Take Part in Water Events on Jan. 14.

The aquatic program scheduled to take place at the Natatorium on Tuesday evening, Jan. 14, 1913, in which many of the expert fancy, speed and trick swimmers of Boise will take part, promises water enthusiasts a night of genuine sport. Many of the expert swimmers of Idaho and adjoining states are expected to enter for the events.

The present championship of the quarter mile dash is held by Jimmie Larkin, who has a record time of 6:15. He will defend his title. The swimmer drops from the high rafters of the Natatorium, the parachute opening in the descent towards the basin. This dangerous feat is performed by William Cook.

The big task of remodeling the Natatorium building was started this week and when the work is completed the popular resort will be the finest and most up-to-date of its kind in the west. Every possible sanitary precaution will be taken in the remodeling so that the big tank can be kept clean. White cement will be used and submarine lights will be set in the basin in the deep water to prevent possible danger and to enable a sweeping view of the entire tank to be secured from any point in the building.

The aquatic program of the B. A. C. for Jan. 14 is as follows:

Team work and fancy swimming.  
Fifty-yard dash.  
Trapeze work.  
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High dive from rafters by J. C. Rust.  
Candle race.  
Diving by the B. A. C.  
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Umbrella race.  
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