

dwell in the kitchen forever.

7. Unto all things there is a time: there is a time to speak and a time to be silent; be thou like unto stone in the presence of thy superiors, and keep thy tongue still when they shall call for volunteers.
8. The wise man searcheth out the easy details, but only a fool sticketh out his neck.
9. Look thou with disfavor upon the newly made corporal; he prizeth much his stripes and is proud and foolish; he laugheth and joketh much with the older noncoms and looketh upon the private with a frown.
10. He would fain go to OCS, but he is not qualified.
11. Know thou that the Sergeant of the Mess is a many of many moods: when he looketh pleased and his words are like honey, the wise KP seeketh him out and praiseth his chow and laugheth much at his jests:
12. But when he moveth with great haste and the sweat standeth on his brow and he curseth under his breath, make thyself scarce; for he will fall like a whirlwind upon the idle and the goldbrick shall know his wrath.
13. The Supply Sergeant is a lazy man and worketh not; but he is the keeper of many good things: if thou wouldst wear well-fitting raiment and avoid the statement of charges, make him thy friend.
14. He prizeth drunkenness above all things.
15. He careth not for praise or flattery, but lend him thy lucre and thy liquor and he will love thee.
16. Hell hath no fury like the Shavetail scorned: he walketh with a swagger and regardeth the enlisted man with a raised eyebrow; he looketh upon his bars with exceeding pleasure and loveth a salute mightily.
17. Act thou lowly unto him and call him sir and he will love thee.
18. Damned be he who standeth first in the line of chow and short-stoppeth the dessert and cincheth the coffee.
19. He taketh from the meat dish with a heavy hand and leaveth thee the bony part.
20. He is thrice cursed, and all people, even unto the pfcs, will revile him and spit upon him: for his name is called Chow Hound, and he is an abomination.
21. Know thou the Big Operator, but trust him not: he worketh always upon a deal and he speaketh confidentially.
22. He knoweth many women and goeth into town every night; he borroweth all thy money; yea, even unto thy ration check.