

AMERICAN SOLDIER DESERTS

To Join And Fight With Mexican Freight Depot and Cars Burned.

Angua Prieta, Mexico, April 20--A detachment of 278 Federals, including 40 cavalry, left Agua Prieta under orders, it is believed to attack Juan Cabral's insurgents...

Fear of a renewal of insurgent efforts to capture Agua Prieta is probably responsible for the failure to send forward a larger force.

Owen Savage, a member of Troop K, First United States Cavalry, is a prisoner in the bull ring.

The Federals had kept Sullivan for several hours tied with knotted ropes that he was unable to lie down or stand up.

We have Screen Doors and Windows, in all sizes and styles, knocked down frames and wire cloth.

Retailer Arrested.

Jesse Livingston, a colored man, resident of Jacksonville, N. C., was arrested at that place yesterday by Deputy Marshal Samuel Lilly on a charge of retailing spirituous liquor without license.

The Burglar's Umbrella.

Among a collection of articles used by burglars when engaged in their nefarious calling is one particular contrivance that arouses great interest in appearance it resembles a large umbrella that has seen hard service.

The New Bern Street Railway.

The Neuse-Trent Traction Company is preparing to begin work on the street railway and has several car loads of cables at End street to begin construction on Pollock street.

The following men are interested in the enterprise, and they are able to carry out any plan that they decide upon, and were here for a number of days about a month ago to look over the situation.

STOPS WORK ON STEEL PLANT

Fear Its Products Be Placed on Free List by Congress. Reason Given.

Birmingham, Ala., April 22--Construction work on the \$3,000,000 plant of the American Steel and Wire Company at Corey has been stopped.

The American Steel and Wire Company is a subsidiary of the United States Steel Corporation. It was expected to have the plant completed in August, and its operation would require about 2,500 skilled workmen.

Nine out of twenty-five blast furnaces in this district are already banked, and it is rumored that the Bessemer steel mill was shut down April 25.

Officials of the Tennessee Coal and Iron Company, the local branch of the Steel Corporation, declare that cessation of construction work at Corey is due to the fact that the Farmers' Free List bill, as introduced by Chairman Oscar W. Underwood of the Ways and Means Committee, provides for admission to the United States duty free of hoop steel, barbed wire fencing, wire rope, staples and other products which it was planned to manufacture at the Corey plant.

The charge is made here that the action of the Steel Corporation in suspending work on the Corey plant is a direct effort to force Chairman Underwood to recede from his position.

Making a Home Run.

Angie Moran, ex-ball player and umpire, was telling a story to a group of fans. "There was a time when I played in the state league, and at that time on the Hazleton team there was a noted catcher, 'Kid' Jordan. Well, the year that Hazleton won the pennant nothing was too good for the boys, and a number of business men arranged a banquet for the team and a few of the dyed-in-the-wool rooters. Everything went off well, the courses were arranged temptingly and called 'innings' and the table was decorated to represent a baseball field.

"We had everything there was to eat, and one of the innings was roast squab. This was served on a platter and the vegetables arranged in the shape of a diamond. The base lines were made of creamed potatoes, and at every base there was some vegetable cooked and cut in the shape of a base.

"This dish was a hit with the boys, and we all commented on it. I turned to Jordan, who wasn't saying much, but was industriously paying attention to the dish, and asked him how he was getting along. "Fine," he said. "I'm eating 'em up around third base."--Philadelphia Times.

A Dream and Its Result.

In 1720 a terrible epidemic decimated Marseilles and Provence, and Sardinia owed its escape to a dream. At this period the viceroy of Sardinia dreamed that the disease had invaded Sardinia and that the ravages were frightful.

On Long's peak, in Colorado, the branches of the fir trees all grow toward the southeast. This is because of the never changing northwest wind, which keeps the branches of the baby tree always pointed to the southeast until the tree is large.

PLANS TO AMEND CONSTITUTION

Berger, Socializing, Introduces Resolution Gives Congress Power.

Washington April 21--Victor L. Berger, the lone Socialist in Congress, introduced a resolution providing that "Congress shall have power by a majority vote of both houses to call a convention for the purpose of revising or amending the Constitution."

"Our Constitution," said Mr. Berger, "is antiquated, obsolete and really in hindrance to any reasonable growth in our public life, and therefore it should be amended. Our present Constitution was framed at a time when the nation was born and when the country had about three million inhabitants. At that time the people were in the main hunters and farmers in arms, with a small merchant class in New York, Philadelphia and Boston, and cotton planters in the South.

"Since that time tremendous economic changes have taken place, but we are still living under a constitution made for hunters and farmers. A Constitution is a cloak for a body politic and must suit the requirements of the time. There is no example in history wherein a group nation has been compelled to wear the swaddling of childhood."

Japanese Politician.

Courtesy is the favorite rule. Japan instead of being more or less the exception, as with us. A Japanese steambath in which separate tubs were arranged for the white and the yellow people respectively carried a sign on its English deck which, in our familiar curt phraseology, read, "No admittance beyond this line."

On the deck for Japanese travelers the same prohibition was expressed as follows: "The honorable guests of this company, remembering that the master said, 'The princely man is self-restrained,' will kindly exercise self-restraint and not allow their jade shoes to wander past this line."

Preparing for Harvest Time.

Now is the time the farmers of the state are preparing for the harvest time, which means the money they shall realize and upon which their living depends. But what shall it be? To no considerable measure it depends upon what kind of seeds are sown. Often absolute failures are caused by planting poor seed that will not grow or, still worse, seed that is badly adulterated with serious weeds, which entirely ruin the land for certain agricultural purposes, often upon which the farmer most depends.

That there is a great difference in the farm seeds sold in the state is forcibly shown by the difference in the results of the analyses made at the Seed Testing Laboratory of the Department of Agriculture, co-operating with the United States Department. For example, the results of the 124 tests of Red Clover seed made this Spring by the Seed Laboratory ranged all the way from 50 per cent to 99.6 per cent. Pure seed and from 20 per cent to 97 per cent germination. Some contained no weed seeds at all, while others contained more than 90,000 to the pound, some samples contained more than 50 per cent of Dodder or Love vines, which is the worst of all pests that occur in Clover and Alfalfa. This great difference in the quality of seeds is not only true in case of Red Clover but of all the farm seeds.

Not only the loss of money paid for seed, which is really a small item, but the failure to obtain crops can be prevented by knowing the value of the seed which is planted. The Department will make tests of all agricultural and vegetable seeds for any farmer in the State free of charge and reports will be sent to him promptly. In case the seed does not come up to the standard of good seed, the lot may be returned to the dealer from whom it was purchased and the money refunded or a good quality of seed given in exchange, which ever the purchaser desires. In submitting samples to be tested, for the smaller seeds, such as Red Clover and the peas, one half of a tea cup will be sufficient; for the larger seeds, such as the cereals, more should be sent.

Address all samples to the Seed Testing Laboratory, Department of Agriculture, Raleigh, N. C., with the following information: retail price of seed and the name and address of dealer from whom it was purchased.

WILLIAMS' KIDNEY PILLS

Have you neglected your kidneys? Have you overworked your nervous system and caused trouble with your kidneys and bladder? Have you pain in loins, side, back, groins and bladder? Have you a flabby appearance of the face, especially under the eyes? Do you frequent a desire to pass urine? If so, Williams' Kidney Pills will cure you at Druggist, Price 50c. Williams' Mfg. Co., Prop., Cleveland, O.

FARM LIFE SCHOOL TALKS

By Dr. Hill and Prof. Smith of A. & M. College and Others At Court House.

Dr. D. H. Hill, President of A. & M. College, Raleigh, N. C. addressed quite a number of voters of the city and county last night on the proposed Farm-Life School which will be voted on in the election to be held May 2nd. His addresses was well received and the benefits of the proposed school made plain. He spoke of Denmark where the people struggling with poor soil some years ago decided to educate the people in farming and by the establishment of Farm-Life Schools had developed the agricultural interest to such extent that Denmark not-withstanding the difficulties that he surmounted had become one of the greatest agricultural countries in the world. He also spoke of the development of the dairy industry in Wisconsin where, by dairy schools this State had been made one of the greatest dairy States in the union.

Prof. Smith, Hon. J. A. Bryan, Daniel Lane, Esq., and Supt. Brinson also addressed the audience. The latter urged all present to register so as to be able to vote in the election.

Rheumatism Relieved in Six Hours

Dr. Detchen's relief for Rheumatism usually relieves severest cases in a few hours. Its action upon the system is remarkable and effective. It removes at once the cause and the disease quickly disappears. First dose greatly benefits, 75c and \$1.00. Sold by Bradham Drug Co.

Population of Craven County.

The following is the detailed government census report for this county for the decades.

Table with columns for Year (1910, 1900, 1890) and rows for various townships and wards, including total population of 35,284 in 1910.

Grinned Into Matrimony.

That grinning matches were an accepted form of sport in early English days is shown by an advertisement announcing a gold ring to be grained for by men on Oct. 9 at the Swan, Colleshill Heath, Warwickshire, which appeared in the Post-Day of Sept. 17, 1711. Addison gives a detailed account of one of these "controversies of faces," telling us that the audience unanimously bestowed the ring on a cobbler who "produced several new grins of his own invention, having been used to cut faces for many years together over his last."

TESTING A PICTURE.

Tissot, the Famous French Painter, and His Critics. An interesting story is told of Jacques Tissot, the great French painter. While in England he painted a beautiful religious picture and, meeting a country woman, asked her opinion of his work. "It's a chef d'oeuvre," she replied, giving a remarkably just and detailed appreciation of the various merits of the really splendid painting.

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE.

MRS. STETSON'S CLAIM DENIED.

It would seem from the headlines and comments that the public press generally construes, Mrs. Stetson's recent articles as a claim that Mrs. Eddy will appear again in the flesh. This claim is not and never has been held by the Christian Science Church.

The Cedilla.

Sometimes the letter C is written, or rather, printed, with a sort of tail under it called the "cedilla." In early English, about the fifteenth century, there was a form of the letter Z, the last letter of the alphabet, which resembled closely a then fashionable and flaring form of the letter R. It rounded form of the R, called "R rotunda." To distinguish the Z from R rotunda a small tail was added to the Z, which in time came to be printed as "C. Hence cedilla means simply a "little Zed" (Zeno)--Louisville Courier-Journal.

CONFERENCE ON EDUCATION

Robert C. Ogden Addresses 500 Delegates From Every Part of Dixie.

Jacksonville, Fla., April 21--Robert C. Ogden, of New York, President of the Conference on Education in South, delivered a constructive address at the session of the conference, which began a three-days' convention here Wednesday. Mr. Ogden spoke on rural co-operation, as did Count Carl Moltke, of Denmark and several prominent Southern educators.

There were 500 delegates present, representing every part of the South. Another speaker was Dr. Paul Ritter, Swiss Minister to the United States.

Mr. Ogden in the course of his remarks said: "My annual message is one of courage and of hope. Never since we began our work have these annual meetings marked a backward step. We are one out of many influences working toward a common end, contributing as we can by definite work and the creation of a living spirit, by bringing into fellowship kindred souls with common educational aims, by holding out the sympathetic hand to all brothers and sisters in the faith of representative government and in the welfare of the people seeking for the brotherhood of man and the fatherhood of God."

"The special points that I desire to make are: "First--An appreciation of the beauty, the dignity, the responsibility of the individual, the 'I' as an incentive for a constantly enlarging service. This for the principle.

Make Your Room New.

Mantels, Chairs, Wood-Work, and small rooms, can be quickly painted by any one with a small can of our Home Finish Domestic Paint, in all colors-15 to 25 cents. Makes all interior wood-work bright as new. Get it from Gaskill Hdwe. & Mill Supply Co.

Judge The Future by The Past.

Patrick Henry, in a burst of eloquence that stirred the hearts of our ancestors, said, "I know of no way of judging the future except by the past."

Don't be troubled during the warm weather with a smoking stove or one that doesn't bake well.

Call and see our line of Buck's Stoves and Ranges. J. S. Basnight Hdw. Co., 67 S. Front St.

Editor Foy Visitor Here.

Mr. J. O. Foy, editor Mebane, N. C. Leader was a visitor here yesterday, with relatives. Mr. Foy has successfully worked his way in the past two years, earning enough to buy the plant outright, the property coming to his sole ownership last week, from the 23 citizens of Mebane who were security for the plant in its first establishment. The Journal wishes Editor Foy continued success.

Negro Man Shot.

Late yesterday afternoon Ernest Cooper, colored was shot through the left lung by Redding Bunn also colored, out near the Riverside store. Bunn owed Cooper a sum of money for several months, and when Cooper approached him yesterday and asked for the money Bunn drew his revolver and fired at him five times. Only one of the bullets took effect but this was in a vital place and may result fatally. Immediately after the shooting Bunn escaped and has not yet been apprehended.

Murat's Daring in Battle.

I have read that my grandfather's three distinguishing characteristics were high chivalric courage, great skill as a general and almost unparalleled coolness in the hour of danger. His form was tall, his tread like that of a king, his face strikingly noble, while his piercing glance few men could bear. He had heavy black whiskers and long black locks, which contrasted singularly with his fiery eyes. He usually wore a three cornered hat with a magnificent white plume of ostrich feathers. This plume, with many other relics, is now in the possession of my eldest brother, Prince Murat. My grandfather's dazzling exterior made him a mark for the enemy's bullets. The wonder is that, being so conspicuous, he was never shot down and was rarely wounded. I have read that at the battle of Aboukir he was charged with his cavalry straight through the Turkish ranks, driving them after column into the sea.--Prince Murat's Memoirs.

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MEXICANS PEACE FAILURE

Madero Blamed. The War to Continue. Both Sides Closing in.

El Paso, Tex., April 22--All negotiations between the insurgents and the Mexican government officially called off late. Oscar Braniff and Esquivel Obregon of Mexico City, who have been trying to get Madero to accept peace proposals, received a telegram calling off all negotiations. The message came just after they had sent a messenger under a flag of truce with a final appeal to the rebel leader.

The message was from Mexico City, although they refused to say who sent it. It informed them that the demands of Madero were such that they could not be entertained. Already the two volunteer peace commissioners had given up hope and had issued a state net throwing the blame for failure on Madero.

Simultaneously with the receipt of the telegram from Mexico City the insurgent troops began to march out of the hills and canyons by the hundreds and move closer to Juarez, as if preparing for an attack. It soon appeared however, that they were not hurrying to an attack.

Mr. Fly and his family will soon call.

Greet them with well screened windows and doors and save a doctor's bill. We have the Screens. J. S. Basnight Hdw. Co., phone 99, 67 S. Front St.

ANXIOUS TO SUCCEED ROSS

His Retirement Precipitates Live Contest in Revenue Cutter Service.

Washington, April 22 The retirement of Captain Worth G. Ross, the commandant of the Revenue Cutter Service has precipitated the liveliest struggle among the senior captains of the service for his position. Captain Ross' retirement goes into effect on May 1.

Of the 37 captains in the service no less than 12 are active candidates to succeed Captain Ross. Among them are Captain W. E. Reynolds, who is now stationed at Baltimore as superintendent of construction and repairs, and Captain K. O. Crisp, a member of the well-known Baltimore family of that name. Both Captains Reynolds and Crisp have excellent records. Indeed, Secretary MacVeagh, who must make the final appointment, is embarrassed in his choice because of the uniform excellence of all the 12 candidates.

The captains of the Revenue Cutter Service are constantly on duty, and opportunity is furnished them every day to test their ability, so that the record of the captains cannot fail to furnish the testimony of their efficiency.

The entire North Carolina delegation has further endorsed Captain Crisp.

he having been stationed for some time at Wilmington, where his splendid record has won him the approval of the business community.

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