SHOULD THE UNITED STATES INTERVENE IN MEXICO?

Veteran Missionary Thinks Not-Mexicans Able to Solve Own Problems-Pursuit of Villa-The Land Question - The Mexican Indian and His Religion-Interesting Interview Covers Many Timely Topics.

(By Southern Missionary Bureau "It will be a great mistake if the United States ever intervenes in Mexico," says Rev. J. W. Butler. D. D., for 42 years a missionary in Mexico and closely acquainted with the country's conditions during the rule

"What do you think of the pured in a recent interview.

of five different presidents.

"The followers of Villa are greatly displeased over the recognition of Carranza. They may not approve all Villa's methods, but they will protect him from Americans or other foreign invaders. The natives will hatch all kinds of ruses to aid his escape, declaring that he is wounded. dead, or has disappeared from sight when they know him to be in their midst in health. It will be almost an impossibility to capture Villa unless the local population help. The wast majority of the Mexicans want peace, but they are afraid the Americans will not allow them to retain their independence. There can never be peace in Mexico until the land question is settled.

"What do you mean by the 'land question'?

"The native Mexican traces his entrance into the country back to 1.000 years B. C. He believes that God then gave him the land to enjoy, but Spanish conquerors cut up into great estates, many of which are still ruled by agents who send the profits to descendants of the original owners now living in Europe. One of the greatest estates in Mexico is so owned. Wherever leader arises and declares that he will restore the land the people foilow him. Carranza, Zapata and Villa all agreed to do that.'

"What is the condition of the na-

"He is very poor, but not broken in spirit. The better class of young men seem to have tasted a new spirit, and these are demanding liberty. But the vast majority have no education. Spain never interested herself in the education of her conquered peoples. They do not know the difference between a secular book and the Bible. During 400 years, until recently there was only one edition of the Bible published in Mexico, and that was sold at \$150 per copy. Where the people remain in rural districts they are relatively moral. They live near to nature and the men are loyal to one wife. But when they make their homes in cities moral restrictions are largely

"Are the Indiana like those ortg inally found in America?"

"Seventy languages and dialects are found in the country, though the official speech is Spanish. The po-English has now come to be popular. Among the 37 families or tribes of Indians, only three—the Yaquis. Tutos and the Mayas of Yucatan are prone to go on the warpath. The others are peace-loving and rise only when led by religious or political fanatics who convince them that their liberty is in danger. They also are rendered unaccountable by native drinks. Pulque is the juice of the maguey plant, similar to our century plant, and it intoxicates. Tequila, a local form of alcohol, is genuine "fire-water.

"What is the character of their religion?

"Some Roman Catholics declare that they are baptized pagans. In rural regions they are almost purely idolatrous. While nominally Christian, they have degraded their religious forms until they are heathenish. Carranza insists, as do his associates, that they are not anti-Christian, but only anti-clerical that is they object to church officials having any hand in politics. In olden days the Protestants were persecuted, but now they are free and receive recognition. Carranza has selected some of them as office-holders in his reform government.

"Has mission work prospered during the war period?"

"The people are oppressed by the constant disorders and feel their human helplessness keenly. Men always turn to God in time of trouble. Hence our work was never so prosperous. The people welcome American Christians, believing that this type of religion will bring them liberty. In all the months of unsettled conditions, only two of our churches were damaged, and these were assailed by fanatically led mobs. We have nearly 100 native preachers and 150 congregations, and upwards of 5,000 children in our schools in the central and southern part of the country. The Congregationalists, Presbyterians, Baptists and Southern Methodists work in the North We have a strong following among the young leaders, many of whom have been trained in our day and Sunday schools. We always plant a day school beside a church. Our presence there has had a quieting ef-fect which is not measured by our numbers."

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"But why do you say the United States would make a mistake to in-

Because the people would at nce be cemented against the United They argue that the territory loss of the former Mexican war will be duplicated, if they do not utterly lose their independence. None but the Mexicans themselves can solve the disordering problems among them. The people are strong enough to solve them ultimately. it would require 100,000 soldiers and at least five years to subjugate them

"How can we stop the destruction of Americans?

"This is a grave question, and methods to be employed now must be different from those which might have been employed earlier. Stiff demands, backing the present government, seem to be the surest way to secure future protection.

THE GASTONIA GAZETTE.

FRIDAY, JUNE 16, 1916.

AMERICAN FLAG TORN TOWN.

Scores of Gastonia Business Men Look on in Silence-No Effort Was Made to Stop the Act.

At 4:30 o'clock Wednesday afternoon an American flag was seen fluttering in a summer breeze from a conspicuous place in the center of the city. Five minutes later this emblem before which every blooded American bows had torn from its place, dashed to the ground and trampled upon. tors, lawyers, bankers, druggists and scores of business men looked on in silence while the deed was being done and not a single opposing hand was raised. The manipulator of the trip-hammer on the new bank building dropped his compressed air machine and hurried down through the network of steel, followed by the other workmen. Hundreds of atternoon shoppers rushed into the stores, automobiles and other vehicles stopped running and within a few minutes the streets were for-

Had some Villista bandit invaded the capital city of Gaston and sent terror into the hearts of her citi-No. Neither had a German follower appeared on the streets with a Krupp gun, but a stiff southwester had blown in upon the city bringing with it a copious downpour of rain, and in this gale the slender staff that held the flag was snapped off and Old Glory was huri-

ed to the ground. The flag in question had been place ed on the topmost part of the steel work of the new bank building by a member of the construction force.

A PLEA FOR HUMANITY.

Member of S. P. C. A. Urges Owners and Drivers to Be Merciful to Draft Animals—Overloading Very Cruel.

(Written for The Gazette.)

Just a word to call attention to the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. Possibly there are some strangers in town who do not know of this humane society and to them as well as to all we would give a word of warning. Special attention is called to over-loading and the consequent beating necessary to make the mules pull such loads. The other day we heard a colored man himself protesting against putting on such heavy loads.

The weather is getting warm and such loads are harder to pull. Then don't require mules to pull heavy loads into piles of sand or rock without the use of the extra "hook Quite a number of drivers have been personally warned in the last few days and we hope owners and overseers will heed this warn-There are some loads entirely too heavy even for the best cared for mules and where is the economy in overloading? The life of the animal would be much longer and the suffering much less if the wagons were not so heavily loaded. Then too, remember to water the mules and horses more often during the hot summer months. We make a plea for the overloaded mules, especially. Instruct drivers to spare the whip and not overload. In oth er words, "be kind to animals." We earnestly request all who see or know of instances of cruelty to please report the same promtly.

GREAT AMOUNT OF ADVERTISING CARRIED.

According to Advertising Men Fiftyfive Million Dollars Spent in This

Atlanta, Ga., June 5.-According to statistics just received by local advertising men, the total volume of national advertising carried by the newspapers last year amounted to over \$55,000,000. The report showed further that there was a material gain over the year 1914, and that

the magazines lost heavily. Perhaps the most interesting situation of all, concerns the fact that during the first three months of the present year, national advertising increased in the newspapers 35 per

with the exception of nine weekly

publications of national circulation,

cent over the similar months of 1915, This increase ranges from a mintmum of three per cent to a maximum of 150 per cent. Some of the publishers report that their national acvertising increased to the extent of 40 per cent over the three months' period of former years.

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GOOD HEALTH AND GOOD ROADS

President of National Highway Association Shows Relation of Good Roads to Health.

State Board of Health Bulletin.

That good roads are conducive to good health is one of the best arguments advanced by Mr. C. H. Davis, C. E., president of the National Highway Association in favor of

good roads. He says: Given the same density of population, the town with better roads has the smallest percentage both of disease and deaths. tics show this is almost invariably the case, there must be some connection between good roads and health.

'It is true that a town with good roads is a progressive town with a health board that is correspondingly well informed and alert, but it is also true that good roads have directly contributed to the progressive spirit. In short, money has rolled in over their well-kept surfaces. Through them the town has become wealthier and wiser, and better health protection is a natural re-

Again he says: "A community to be wholly healthy must not be a 'queer' community. It must take a sane interest in its business, and the relation of its business to the outside world. It must mix with other people besides its own immediate neighbors. In other words, it must come out of itself and to do this it must look to its roads.

Where the roads are heavy, narrow, muddy and impassable, the community becomes segregated; quiet backwater, quaint, but useless in our national progress, and sometimes queer and dangerous. It becomes the breeding place of insanity and perversion, a cancerous and vexed spot of mental ills and moral contagion that spreads as rapidly and leaves as sanguinary effects as any of the epidemics known to med-

Hard Hitting.

Washington Post.

Alas, the honeymoon was indeed over. That morning they had come to words over breakfast and he departed for the city in a rage.

As the day passed, he began to think that, perhaps, after all, he had been rather hasty. So as he wended his way homeward, he carried a small but interesting-looking parcel. To his amazement, his little wife refused to take the slighest notice of it-and him.

"Don't you want to see what's in my parcel, darling?" he pleaded wist

"I expect I can manage to survive not knowing," she retorted coldly. "Well," he said playfully, "it's something for somebody I love more than all the world."

The lady's face brightened up. "Really," she said. "Then I suppose it's the cigarette case you've been wanting so long.

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