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ONTARIO BOYS WANT TO SEE FRANCE SOON (Continued from First Page.)

shade at that. "One of the boys in my tent broke out with the measles Sunday, and that sent the rest of us to the isolation camp, from which I am writing, a mile and a half from the regular camp. We are elected to remain here for ten days. It is a sort of a joke as we can run into the main camp nearly any time, and have to in order to get our drinking water, bath or chow. But as far as fatigues and other squadron duties are concerned, we are excused. We have an hour of calisthenics each morning, and have nothing else to do for the remainder of the day but sleep, read or other amusements. In one portion of his letter, which can not be printed and yet comply with the rules of the voluntary conscription imposed on the papers requesting suppression statements con-

ing the movement of troops, or even rumors thereof, Mr. Sproule gives an account of the reported early movements, but says that such rumors not to be believed for no one knows definitely what is going to happen, for example he cites the following incident. "Two squadrons left here supposedly for Dayton Ohio, but we heard from them the other day from New Orleans, where they were waiting for transports for France. So you see we may start for Dayton and land up at some sea port on the eastern coast, be loaded on transports and be sent across. Our Captain, H. B. Burwell, sent in to Washington, Monday evening a recommendation for first class sergeants' chevrons for me. So I'll probably receive them by August 1. He has told me that as soon as we get to our post he will train me to be a pilot, which would get me a commission as soon as we get to France.

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I have qualified for the Officers Signal Reserve corps training camp, but have deferred going into training until September 1, or until we find out definitely whether or not we are going to go to France soon. If we are going I am going to give up the Reserve Corp and go with the squadron, and follow the captain's suggestions. Glenn Brown has been recommended for a sergeny, and Lee Maddux for corporal, so you see the Ontario boys are coming along. I spent the last dime I had for stamps this morning, so am broke as we have had no pay day this month and no celebration on the Fourth of July, only washing clothes. Well must close and wash them again."

FINAL SUMMONS HEARD BY MRS. RUTHERFORD (Continued from First Page.)

her memory. The esteem in which Mrs. Rutherford was held by those who knew her best when she was one of the active factors in every good work for the community, can best expressed in the words of another pioneer who on learning of her death said: "Had Mrs. Rutherford died 15 years ago, before so many of the present citizens came to Ontario and Malheur county, every citizen in the county would have come to Ontario to attend her funeral. There never was anyone sick in the early days that she did not visit. No family ever wanted a friend when she was young and active. She was the friend of everyone." Besides being active in lodge circles Mrs. Rutherford worked in the pioneer church of this city, the Congregational. It was largely thru her efforts while she ran the hotel of that day that the funds were raised to build the church edifice. No work for the good of the community failed to have her support.

Elizabeth Turner Rutherford was born at Woodstock, Ottawa Canada, November 1, 1846 and when 16 years old moved to Mayville, Michigan, where in 1866 she was married to R. S. Rutherford, who as "Uncle Dick" is known to every man woman and child in this section of the valley and has been for years. They felt the lure of the West soon afterward, and in 1869 settled in Colorado. The Union Pacific system a few years later started the construction of the Oregon Short Line into this section and Mr. Rutherford came here in the fall of 1884 and brought his family then next spring. They took a homestead three miles south and a mile west of the city, and as Uncle Dick tells it, planted the first sage brush and helped build the butte. As Ontario developed into a trading point they became interested in the town and moved to the city and opened the first hotel and since that time have been actively interested in the growth and prosperity of the city. Six children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Rutherford, five boys and one girl, of whom three boys with their father mourn their mother's departure. They are Roy Rutherford of Long Beach California, and Adrian and Ben V. Rutherford of Ontario.

Spread the Manure. From the standpoint of conserving the plant food about the poorest place manure can be kept is in a heap, writes a correspondent of the Ohio Farmer. It is likely to ferment and in so doing it will lose nitrogen and organic matter, and unless it is protected from rains there is likely to be much loss from leaching. In experiments at the Ohio station manure stored in heaps from January to April lost 25 per cent of its organic matter, 22 per cent of its phosphorus, 51 per cent of its potassium and 26 per cent of its nitrogen. While I would not undertake to say that there are no losses when it is spread in the field, they are greatly reduced, as long time experiments have proved. The greater part of the leachings are promptly absorbed by the soil and are distributed where they are wanted.

Frozen Beets. Beets will not give as good results after they have been frozen as though they were properly stored. They will not kill bugs or cattle, provided they are thoroughly thawed out before feeding. If possible they should be kept frozen until just long enough before feeding so that they may be thoroughly thawed. After having been frozen they will not very quickly after being thawed out, and much care should be taken especially in feeding the cows that no spoiled beets be given them.

Don't Fatten Breeders. Be sure and see that the hens in the breeding pens are not too fat. The offspring of any overfat animal is likely to lack vitality and vigor. The same holds true with hens. The loss of many of the chicks which pip the eggs in the incubator and fail to get out of the shells can be attributed to this cause.

Municipal Milk. In Bachelors and Mankie, Miss. the commercial club are advocating the establishment of municipal skating clubs.

An Episode Of Mexico

By F. A. MITCHEL

During the presidency of Diaz of the republic of Mexico I went there with a stock of goods and opened a store in the state of Durango. For awhile I did very well. Mexico had long been at peace with herself; foreign capital had come in to develop the country, and it looked as though her prosperity would continue. The first wreck of my hopes was the revolution that displaced Diaz and placed Madero at the head of the Mexican government. But this was nothing to the accession of Huerta and the turmoil during his administration and fall. The Mexican people, especially those who supported Huerta, believing that their troubles came largely from the refusal of the United States government to recognize him as president of Mexico, turned more bitter than ever against Americans.

I had made a number of friends among Mexicans and was permitted to continue my business without molestation. This was all very well so long as I remained in the location of my home and business. But I was fond of sketching, and I intended as soon as I could get out of Mexico with my capital to go north and study art. The Sierra Madre mountains are not far from my home, and I desired to take as many sketches as possible away with me of the fine landscapes there. One evening after sketching during the day I went to a house devoted to the entertainment of strangers to pass the night. The place corresponded to the old American tavern of former days. It was not especially clean, and the persons it contained were of a low grade. About 10 o'clock at night I was sitting in the dining room reading a newspaper. I had gone there for the purpose, since a lamp swung over the table gave the only light that enabled me to read comfortably. I was seated directly under it, with my back to an open door, when, hearing a faint creak of a floor board in my rear, I raised my eyes from my paper. They lighted on a shadow cast on a wall before me. The shadow was not cast by the light over my head, but by one back of the object that produced it. It was not very distinct, but sufficiently so for me to distinguish it as the shadow of a man. The head covering was plainly a sombrero. The owner and shoulders came next. The left arm was lowered, and since the shadow of the right arm was simply a lump I surmised that it was curled and pointed in my direction. It required only a fraction of a second for me to see in this shadow what is called in art a foreshortened arm. I believed also that the hand contained a weapon. That it was a pistol and not a knife was evident, since it, too, was foreshortened. Had it been a knife it would have been held in a different grip, which would have produced a shadow. I would have seen some evidence of a blade. In short, a man was standing in a passage behind me and about to shoot me. Expecting to be immediately killed, I was paralyzed. I had not even the power to duck under the table. Naturally my eyes were glued to the evidence of my danger.

Suddenly I saw an increase of the area of the shadow. On either side, just below the shoulders, a posthumous appearance manifested, then moved into the main bulk. The shadow was lowered and hung at an angle to the body. Now I could see that it was an arm and there was a shadow what it was plain was a pistol barrel. When we are in danger our faculties become greatly sharpened. I question if they do not become rather instinct. I reasoned out the change in this wise: Some one had come up behind the man who was about to kill me and thrown a pair of arms about him. What should I do now? I always carried a revolver on my shooting tour, but it was at my hip, under my coat. If I turned how to defend myself while my enemy's weapon was lowered I might be too late, whereas if I sat still, pretending to be ignorant of what was going on behind me, I might be saved.

This consideration flashed through my brain within a fraction of a second. I had scarcely conceded it when I saw the shadow of the arm drawn up to its former position. Evidently the man who had been interrupted was intending to proceed as before the interruption. Then there was a commotion in the outline of the shadow. I judged it to express a struggle between two persons. The right arm shadow appeared and was grasped near the wrist by a hand. Now was my time to act. I made four moves instantaneously—I drew my pistol, I rose, I turned, and I covered my enemy.

A Mexican stood before me struggling with a woman, who maintained a firm grip of his right wrist. At my movement both stood still. "Drop that weapon," I said. The man replied by an effort to wrench his wrist from the woman. I tried to quiet him by putting a bullet a few inches from his head, but he continued to struggle, and the woman held on. In another moment I saw his hand with the pistol in it extended on his right. I put a ball in the hand, and the pistol dropped on the floor. Starting forward, I picked it up.

"Gracias," blurted the man. I asked him why he wished to spy on me, and he said that he hated gringos. This was the only gringo he gave. I had been saved from being murdered by the woman who kept the house.

These Have Been a Success in La Crosse, Wis.

Tried out as an experiment, public market days have proved a real success in La Crosse, Wis. The suggestion originated in the agricultural bureau of the La Crosse Chamber of Commerce, and notices were sent to farmers in the country around the city asking them to bring produce to the city on fixed days and display it for sale. The matter was taken up in a very logical and sensible way with



A FARMER'S MARKET. (Wagons lined up at street curb.)

the farmers, and they were told that city folk would naturally expect a little better prices by buying direct from the producer. At the same time it was pointed out that the grocer and butcher would not suffer, for farmers would thus be inclined to buy from them more manufactured and imported food products. Certain days were fixed for the public market, the farmers came with their produce, and the townfolk came with their purses. The produce sold readily. The farmers had money to buy in La Crosse stores, and the plan was found to work well all the way around. Now La Crosse folk are urging the building of a market house to make the market permanent.

Court Upholds Billboard Ordinance. Following a recent decision by the United States supreme court upholding the validity of Chicago's billboard ordinance of 1913, which prohibits billboards on residence streets without the consent of more than half of the property owners, Everett L. Millard, chairman of the City club art committee, announces that a movement will soon be launched to abolish billboards in all residence districts.

The decision means hundreds of billboards must be removed. The court held that the city has power to enforce the ordinance to the limit. The ruling is the climax to a local contest which started a year or so after the passage of the ordinance. One company had sought to enjoin the city from enforcing the law.

To Save Sand Dunes. Commercial and civic organizations, women's clubs and art leagues of Illinois and Indiana have joined hands for the establishment of a national playground on the sand dunes of Lake Michigan. Very definite demands will be made upon congress to save what is deemed to be the only extensive natural beauty now left in the west. War has already done its worst to the industries encroaching on the dunes and land speculation is being resorted to to make easy money.



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