

ANCIENT SUGAR MILL

Most Interesting Industrial Relic on American Continent.

Spanish Conqueror of Mexico Not Only Set It Up, but Operated It.

Monterey, Mex.—What is said to be the oldest and most interesting relic on the American continent has come unscathed through the long revolutionary period in Mexico, according to Martin Sergus, who has arrived here from the southern part of the country. He says he recently visited Cuernavaca and went out to an ancient sugar mill constructed in 1535 by Hernando Cortez, the Spanish conqueror of Mexico, who personally superintended the mill and the adjacent sugar plantation. This was the beginning of the sugar industry on this continent.

"That this sugar mill was built and run by Cortez there is not the slightest doubt," Mr. Sergus said. "Its history is set forth in the early records of Spanish occupation of Mexico, and the traditions of the natives confirm it. The mill is in good condition, and had recently finished a run of several weeks on last season's crop of sugar cane."

"In the pre-revolutionary days many tourists visited the little pueblo of Atlacomulco, where the mill is located. The village is primitive and full of interest. The mill building is of stone and sun-dried bricks. When one thinks that it was built nearly a century before the Pilgrim Fathers landed at Plymouth Rock the antiquity of the structure may be comprehended."

"At one end of the low building is an altar where Cortez, on occasions, is said to have paid his religious devotions. It is still a sacred spot in the minds of the natives, who live in huts around the mill."

"It was at Cuernavaca that the ill-fated Emperor Maximilian made his summer home. Upon his table, according to tradition, was served sugar from the old Cortez mill."

PUTS HIS HOUSE ON WAGON

Moving and High Rentals for Homes Had No Terrors for James Lillier and Family.

North Berwick, Maine—Moving, rent-finding and the high cost of rentals have no terrors for James Lillier, his wife and son, Edward, who last spring set their house on a wagon and hauled it to Bath and this spring repeated the journey of 78 miles, the while the family have enjoyed uninterrupted housekeeping.

Residents along the Maine highways have noted the curious spectacle of this moving domicile, the man seated comfortably on the front piazza driving the horses, the boy and a shepherd dog running alongside the wheels, the smoke curling from the kitchen stove and Mrs. Lillier's face occasionally at the window to watch the scenery and other points of interest.

Mr. Lillier, who belongs to this town, has been cutting wood at Bath the last winter, and in view of the scarcity of dwellings and rents—with the ship-building program on for Uncle Sam—he was glad that he had taken his lares and penates with him. The journey in each trip was made in three days.

REFUGE FOR EX-KING LUDWIG

Former Monarch of Bavaria Occupies Castle of Vaduz Under Assumed Name.

Berne.—A report received here from Lichtenstein, Saxony, says the aged former King Ludwig of Bavaria has found asylum under the fictitious name of "Prince Lowenstein" in the picturesque castle of Vaduz, belonging to Prince Lichtenstein.

The government of the Tyrolean republic. It is said, refused to shelter Ludwig on the ground that the population strongly objected to having to feed members of royal families when they themselves were on the verge of starvation.

Ludwig, says the report, was accompanied to Lichtenstein by several members of his family, whose lives were considered to be in danger in Munich.

A dispatch from Geneva says that thousands of Germans with their families are on the Swiss frontier anxious to enter Switzerland, but that the Swiss authorities have refused them permission to do so.

Will Buy Saloons for "Coffee Bars"

Boston, Mass.—Temperance barrooms furnishing all the good elements of the saloon minus intoxicating liquor are planned for this city by the Methodist centenary, according to the Rev. Dr. J. I. Bartholomew, executive secretary for the Boston area. In some cases liquor saloons would be purchased, he said. He believed that the original bars might even be retained, but only soft drinks and coffee would be handled. Community houses and "poor men's clubs" also are to be established in connection with Methodist churches in the principal New England cities.

ARMY CENSORSHIP BEYOND THE RHINE

Close Tab Kept on German Lines of Communication.

MUCH LATITUDE IS ALLOWED

Col. R. H. Williams, in Charge, Employs 51 Officers and 273 Clerks, and Expects to Need 200 More—Mail, Telephone and Telegraph Service Interfered With as Little as Possible—Watch Like Hawk to See That Nothing Against Interests of America or Allies Gets By.

By CYRIL BROWN.

That occupation isn't all play and living in Rhine castles, but involves plenty of hard work, is typically indicated by some statistics of our military censorship, which in turn is only one of the numerous activities of G-2 section of the Third army, functioning unostentatiously but effectively under the direction of Col. R. H. Williams, chief of military intelligence of the army of occupation. This interesting department alone employs the services of 51 officers, 15 field clerks and 258 clerks, while Colonel Williams expects that at least 200 men more will be needed in order to achieve the ideal of thoroughness.

The work of our military censorship in keeping a prudent watch on the mail, telegraph and telephone when used by the German population has reached mammoth proportions only because of our broad-minded, liberal policy toward the Germans. Not motivated by altruism, but by common-sense economic reasoning, the American military policy has from the very start been, and continues to be, to grant the natives the utmost limit of liberty of communication consistent with our naturally supreme military interests.

Allowed Notable Freedom.

The basic idea of our military formulators of policy has been that the less the Germans are hampered in the free use of the mails, telegraph and telephone and, in consequence, the less they are economically shackled, the better will be the economic life of the American occupied area and the greater will be the chance for every German in it to earn an honest living.

It is not in our best military interest to have the economic life of this American oasis in Germany throttled, nor to wake up some fine morning with a pauper population on our hands. The healthier the economic life of the area, the more smoothly will our occupation function.

The practical result of this general policy is that the Germans in our area of occupation enjoy a freedom in the use of the mails, telegraph and telephone to a degree not enjoyed by their fellow Teutons in either the French, British or Belgian areas.

Germans in our area may send letters, including registered mail and special delivery letters, also parcels post matter, to unoccupied Germany as well as to the French, British and Belgian occupied areas. Similarly Germans in our area may receive mail matter from unoccupied Germany and the other occupied areas.

They may send telegrams to unoccupied Germany and the other occupied areas, and may likewise receive telegrams from unoccupied Germany and the other occupied areas.

Most liberal of all, Germans in the American area may communicate by telephone with unoccupied Germany and the other unoccupied areas.

The simple common-sense general rule of our military censorship merely bans everything detrimental to our interests or those of our allies. If they mind their own business and don't attempt to violate this simple, reasonable rule, Germans in the American area may go as far as they like in the use of the mails, telegraph and telephone.

Our military censorship is on the job twenty-four hours of the twenty-four, and "Military Intelligence," under the direction of Colonel Williams, watches like an unemotional hawk to see that no Teuton gets away with anything against the interests of America and the allies; but beyond this the square deal spirit of justice and tolerance which animates the American brand of occupation crops out in the military censorship in a very human way—paradoxically, too, since censors are not generally credited with being human. Our competent military authorities are proud not only of the fact that the censorship is effective in safeguarding our legitimate interests, but that it does so with the irreducible minimum of delay and hardship to the Germans if they don't attempt to abuse our square-deal policy.

Long Distance Phone.

Most interesting, perhaps, is the long distance telephone proposition. Germans in Coblenz today can talk with Berlin—if the bolsheviks will let them. If the operator here can't get Berlin or Munich or Dresden it won't be the fault of the American army of occupation.

When our army first occupied Coblenz all long distance trunk telephone lines out of Coblenz, sixteen of them, were immediately cut as a self-understood military measure. Colonel Williams then let it be known that, subject to our censorship, a certain number of long distance telephone trunk lines would be permitted to resume

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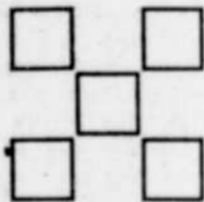
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