

STORY OF A FORCED LOAN.

The Way Zapata Gave the Bankers of Mexico Two Surprises.

One morning Zapata, the Mexican leader, issued two proclamations. One was a prohibition edict closing the saloons, the other a command for the bankers of the city to assemble for a conference.

The bankers attended the meeting. They went in fear, dreading confiscation of their deposits. Only a few days before the armies of General Carranza had collected a "forced loan" of 10,000,000 pesos from the banks. What mercy could be expected of the bandit leader? Zapata's speech was short and to the point.

"Caballeros," he said, "my men are hungry. I want 50,000 pesos to feed them for a few days. You will pay this. I promise you protection. You may carry on your business without molestation as long as you do not aid the enemy. You may go when you sign the order for the money."

Thankful to escape with such a modest demand, the bankers did as they were ordered. Zapata kept his part of the bargain, and for months the city was better policed than it has ever been since Porfirio Diaz was driven from Mexico.

But this is the strange part of the story—strange to one who knows the system of confiscation which has bled the business men of the country.

Ten days later Zapata paid back the 50,000 pesos.—Christian Herald.

ARMOR PIERCING SHELLS.

They Proved Their Superiority Over the Gathmann Explosives.

The late Louis Gathmann, the inventor, who died at the age of seventy-four years, labored long and hard and with zeal and enthusiasm to bring about the development of the high explosive shell which bore his name.

It was Mr. Gathmann's belief that it was not necessary to carry the high explosive shell through armor plate and into the interior of a ship, but that if a sufficient quantity were detonated against the outside of a ship it would be equally if not more destructive.

He secured from congress an appropriation for an eighteen inch gun capable of throwing a shell containing 500 pounds of gun cotton. Our army and navy officers held that the only effective shell would be one of the armor piercing type provided with a delayed action fuse, which would burst the shell back of the armor.

Both types were tested at Sandy Hook about a score of years ago. The armor piercing shell penetrated an eleven inch plate and tore the backing to pieces. The Gathmann shell burst against the face of the plate, but failed to do more than dent it in the earlier rounds, finally cracking it in two in the last round. The superiority of the armor piercing shell was thus established.—Los Angeles Times.

She Was Fired.

In Hudson Maxim's "Dynamite Stories" is the following sad narrative:

"We once had a servant girl whom we nicknamed 'Jeopardy' because she could not be prevented from pouring kerosene directly from the can upon a lighted fire. One day Jeopardy left us very suddenly, and she never came back. We were sorry she left, as Jeopardy was a good girl. It developed that she had chanced to find a fifty pound case of dynamite sticks in the woodshed, which she had been using to start the fire in the kitchen stove. Sometimes dynamite will work all right for such a purpose, but it is notional stuff and cannot be depended upon merely to burn. It was during one of those intervals that Jeopardy went."

The Ruling Passion.

"Jibway is such a confirmed fan that he applies baseball slang to every conceivable situation."

"I've met men like that." "For instance, the other day Jibway attended what was expected to be a wedding ceremony. The bridegroom failed to show up. There was much excitement and confusion. The bride was so angry she vowed she would marry any man who would take the missing bridegroom's place."

"Well, well!" "That was when Jibway sang out, 'Is there a pinch hitter present?'"—Birmingham Age-Herald.

A Famous Beauty.

Mme. de Remusat had features so perfect that her contemporaries said she was worthy to sit as a model for a Greek goddess. The flesh of her face closely resembled alabaster, and yet she was not pale and did not give the impression of being in delicate health. Her beauty attracted universal attention to her, no matter where she went, and even in old age she retained most of her good looks.

Passes Him By.

Asket—Well, George, are you meeting with success now that you are a lawyer?

George—Yes, I seem to meet with it every place I go, but it is the other fellow who is on friendly terms with it.—Indianapolis Star.

A Word to the Boys.

A boy should not get the idea that he can score in the game of life through the errors of his opponents. To win he must be able to make hits.—Youth's Companion.

Worse Than Before.

Mrs. Eze—Well, what do you think of Clara's voice now that she is through with her singing lessons? Eze—It's no better and there's a lot more of it.—Boston Transcript.

About the Welsh.

Wales has plenty of coal, slate, scenery and consonants, but very few surnames. If a Welsh schoolmaster should say, "Jones, you may go home now for being a good boy," the whole school would quit.

People who are not called Jones are called Williams, or Evans, or Hughes, or Lloyd. They divide these names between them and make the best of it. They do not follow the English method of taking their surnames from houses and villages. They felt that to do so would cut them off from the rest of mankind. Nobody could possibly call on Mrs. Llanymynech. Dislocation of the jaw is a great drawback to social intercourse.

The Welshman has the Celtic imagination, says London Answers. He never calls a spade a spade. When he has done describing this implement of agriculture the stolid Englishman thinks he has been listening to a story from the "Arabian Nights," hence the Englishman says the Welshman is an "untruthful." He isn't really. It's only a difference of method.

Knots in Boards.

We find knots in the boards which we notice in a lumber pile or in any other place where boards happen to be because the smaller limbs which grow away from the larger limbs of trees grow from the inside as well as the outside of the tree.

When you see a knot in a board it means that before the tree was cut down and the log sawed up into boards a limb was growing out from the inside of the tree at the spot where the knot occurs, says the Book of Wonders.

You will also find that the wood in the knot is harder generally than the rest of the board. This is because more strength is required at the base of a limb and in the part of the limb which grew inside the tree than in other parts, for the limb must be strong enough to support not only the limb itself, but also the smaller limbs which grow out of it.

The Winner.

The difficulties of crossing Broadway at Forty-second street can be exaggerated. The feat is usually accomplished by born New Yorkers without loss of more than one limb. But to the visitor from Boeotia or some other suburb it presents itself as a difficulty which, once overcome, is to be looked back at with horror and remembered with gratitude for a providential escape. One such visitor had just crossed Broadway. He wore long white whiskers and a black hat such as may be seen on senators from Mississippi. He was on the safe side of Broadway. He puffed indignantly as he turned to survey the maelstrom of traffic he had passed through.

"Every time I cross Broadway," he said, "I feel as if I had won a bet."—New York Post.

Salt.

Superstitions concerning salt are among the earliest known to mankind. There is much evidence in holy writ about the ceremonial uses of it, and the old Moslem law commands that every sacrifice of a meat offering shall be seasoned with it. Homer calls it divine, and many of the old Teuton races looked on salt springs as holy and worshipped at them. The origin of this superstition seems to be that since salt cannot corrupt it should be regarded as a symbol of immortality.

Keeping a Secret.

Little Marlon, in a state of much agitation, begged her mother not to let remarks be made about her doll when it was present. "Because," explained the little miss, "I've been trying all her life to keep dollie from knowing that she is not alive."—Harper's Magazine.

Second Sight.

"Do you believe in second sight?" "No, but my wife does. When I go shopping with her she always says to the salesman, 'I'll come in and look at these again.'"—London Telegraph.

Women Workers.

It was in the manufacture of textiles that woman first appeared in industry outside of the home.

PRACTICAL HEALTH HINT.

For the Anaemic.

Never go to work nor stay at work with an empty stomach. The anaemic woman particularly should avoid parsimony in nutrition. Correct a sluggish digestion, and appetite will grow more brisk with increased assimilation. Take chest expanding exercises daily. A simple one is to walk slowly through an ordinary doorway, pressing the advanced hands to the inner surface of the door frame with some force and holding them there as the chest expands and fills with air until you have passed the threshold. This exercise, taken in a well ventilated room and combined with deep breathing, will force the residual air from the pulmonary tissue and suck in oxygen to the most remote and starving air cell. The exercise also develops the bust in women and the muscular tissue of shoulders and upper arm in both men and women. Anaemia spells impaired efficiency, impaired resistance to disease and impaired zest in living.

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Gold Hill Notes

(By A. E. Kellogg.)

Much is being accomplished by the Red Cross organization in Gold Hill. The initial box was completed and sent to headquarters this week. The sum of \$25 was netted from the sale of Red Cross dolls, and there is a total of \$70.23 on hand in the treasury.

Prof. B. A. Adams and family arrived from their home in Lakeview and are spending their annual vacation on an extended auto trip through the state and a few days visiting friends in Gold Hill. The professor was formerly principal of the Gold Hill high school, and has occupied that position with the Lakeview schools since, two years ago. They came via Bend, The Dalles, Portland and the Willamette valley. While en route they attended the National Educational Association convention in Portland and visited with Rev. E. C. Richards and family at Sales, who formerly held the pastorate of the Gold Hill M. E. church.

The Ladies' Aid Society met in regular session last Thursday, and after the regular business was dispensed with adjourned to the parsonage of the M. E. church and tendered the hostess a coin shower, which was quite a surprise to her. The large attendance enjoyed the warm afternoon on the green and shady lawn, and were served with dainty cakes and punch.

Mr. and Mrs. L. O. (Deacon) Walker, who have been living at the Butte Creek orchards near Eagle Point the past few months, have again taken up their domicile in Gold Hill. Deacon was drawn in the late draft and is arranging his business matters with a view to entering the service while he can still make his own selection as to the service.

Duel & Weeks, owners of the Del Rio orchards two miles below Gold Hill, have just completed an extensive pumping irrigating plant from Rogue river to supply their extensive fruit farm.

District Attorney H. H. DeArmond and family of Bend, Ore., were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Collins, parents of Mrs. DeArmond, on the old Fredenburg farm east of Gold Hill, this week. The DeArmonds made the trip by the auto way.

Mesdames D. W. McMorris of Seattle and L. R. Venable of Shamokawa, Wash., arrived this week to attend the bedside of their mother, Mrs. Ellen Eddington, who is quite ill at the home of her son, W. W. Eddington, in Sams valley.

Rev. R. A. Hutchinson, pastor of the M. E. church of this city, and family left for a two weeks' camping stay in Lithia park at Ashland. He will come down Sunday morning on the train and attend the regular morning and evening services and return to Ashland on the late evening train.

Captain E. B. Day of the Gold Hill Home Guards, and family, returned Wednesday morning from an extended trip north to their farm in Sams valley.

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Car Loading Campaign Benefits

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George McDonough and family of Sams valley passed through Gold Hill in their auto Tuesday morning en route to the coast and points north, on an extended vacation. Glenn Eddings, son of Mr. and Mrs. Nort Eddings of Gold Hill, a late recruit in the United States army, has been transferred to the 13th aero squadron at an Ohio training camp. In writing home he said: "There are 59 Oregon boys in the camp, and they are all rapidly mastering the art of aerial navigation, with the hope of soon being assigned to active service in France."

Eddings was formerly employed by the Southern Pacific Company as a fireman on the Ashland-Roseburg run. W. L. Van Houten, the Sardine Creek rancher and teamster, has taken the contract to remove Dr. Chisholm's new twelve-unit quicksilver furnace which arrived the first of the week, to the Little Jean mine in the Meadows district. Walter H. Stickele, the local brickwork contractor, has taken the contract to install the furnace on the property. Jerry Simpkins, the well-known mine operator, has charge of the work and the mine, and will operate the furnace under the artful eye of the doctor.

Passenger Service Not Hurt By War

Additional assurance of adequate passenger train service for the Pacific coast was given by Passenger Traffic Manager Chas. S. Fee of the Southern Pacific, who recently returned from the advertising convention of the company at Del Monte.

"The war apparently has had no effect in reducing the demands upon our passenger equipment," said Mr. Fee. "Our monthly reports show that a gratifying increase in travel as well as a continuance of earnings of through trains. This can be attributed to general prosperity and the increasing interest of the country in the great west."

"Despite the demands made upon us by the government, and the unusual freight movement, we have been able to take care of fully the needs of the traveling public. It is our intention to continue our passenger service about as at present so long as the public makes full use of our trains and equipment. "It is very necessary that our people in this part of the country, residing in the valleys, be furnished every facility to reach the cool resorts on the coast, and equally necessary that those living on the coast be carried into the valley and mountain regions during the summer months."

Mr. Fee said that reports from many of the popular resorts up and down the coast indicated that they were enjoying the best patronage in years.

The man who marries just to get a cook is sometimes left at the most unexpected moment. It seems to be a habit with cooks to quit on the least provocation.

If an election was to decide the fate of the nation as between heaven and—the other region, still there are many who would not bother to vote.

Saddle Bargain

A bargain in a saddle—\$20 if sold this week. A good Sewing Machine, nearly new \$20; others \$5.00 and up.

Gun Bargains

1 Marlin 22; 1 Remington 22; 1 Winchester 32-40; 1 Savage 32-40. Bike Tires .....\$1.75 up Team Collars..... \$3 50

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it is gratifying to be able to report the fine co-operation they are receiving from regulatory bodies and shippers in all parts of the country.

By increasing the tonnage per car by 2,800 pounds, 5,644 freight cars were saved on the Southern Pacific during the month of June.

Lumber loaders made the greatest saving, an increase of 5,000 pounds per car, resulting in the saving of 1,340 cars.

Shippers of hay saved 1,000 cars by loading 1,000 pounds more per car.

Fruit and vegetable shipments ran 1,600 pounds heavier by car, saving 500 cars.

Other commodities contributed to the general saving in lesser amounts. The company itself, by loading merchandise 600 pounds more per car, saved nearly 700 cars.

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BROOKINGS MAINTAINS HIGH LEVEL OF LIVING AND EMPLOYMENT CONDITIONS

To the Public: On account of the many letters we have been receiving from parties in this and other localities, we have deemed it best to set out in an open letter the conditions of living, employment and recreation that surround the employes of this company.

Location, Climate and General Surroundings.

The town of Brookings and the manufacturing plant are located on a plateau about 100 feet above ocean level and running from the shore line back about three-quarters of a mile. Unlike most sawmill towns, the site is rolling bench land, free from stumps and slashings. The climate is mild. Snowfall is a rarity, and during the summer months the weather is that of a beach resort. In the winter the temperature is moderate.

The view of the ocean, beach and surroundings is beautiful.

A good public school is provided for all grades; moving picture theatre with a seating capacity of 300 with two weekly shows; general store carrying a large stock at reasonable prices; also a well-equipped hospital is provided for employes and families, and is in charge of a first-class physician and surgeon with trained nurse in attendance.

Living Accommodations.

For single men there is a large hotel provided with showers and other facilities, with table board that is unexcelled in its line. In addition, comfortable bunk houses are provided to take care of excess of single men over and above the accommodations provided in the hotel. Rate of board \$6.25 per week, lodging 50 cents and up, according to accommodations.

For married men comfortable houses are provided, with rents ranging from \$6 per month and up, according to type selected; water, light and wood extra at nominal rates, usually prevailing in municipalities.

Wages and Working Conditions.

The minimum rate for common labor is \$3 per day of ten hours at the present time in all departments, with usual advance above this rate for responsible positions.

The company operates a sawmill, logging camp, railroads, wharves and shipping; runs its own line of steamers to California points.

Requirements Applicants Must Fulfill.

No man over 50 years of age will be employed.

Before entering our employ each and every applicant will be obliged to pass an examination by the company's physician and satisfy him as to physical condition.

Married men must work for the company at least 30 days before they will be permitted to bring their families, in order that both parties may be satisfied as to conditions and ability.

No liquor is permitted in the town; parties found intoxicated will be summarily discharged.

We desire to build up a community of sober, thrifty, industrious men with families, and such will be given the preference in the matter of employment at all times.

There is plenty of continuous employment here for a large number of active, sober men in practically all classes of work, and any parties meeting these requirements can feel assured of employment on reporting here.

The company invites correspondence from parties interested, and further information can be obtained from M. Jordan and other stage operators at Grants Pass or F. G. Lang, Medford.

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