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FRIDAY, APRIL 21, 1911.

The insurgents and federals of Mexico have met in battle at Agua Prieta on the boundary line between Mexico and the United States and the insurgent forces have been victorious, and from the reports that come from Mexico that country is about the worst misgoverned country in the world, and the sooner the Diaz government goes down the better it will be for Mexico. Later advices state that the insurgents evacuated the city after seventeen hours' fighting, their ammunition having run short.

Congress has met and the cause of the mobilization of so many troops on the Mexican frontier is still a mystery. President Taft, through a second party, has denied that it had any significance in regard to Japanese influence in Mexico, but the public mind is not satisfied and is likely to keep on guessing.

The Portland aggregation of ball-players arrived home from California Monday. While they are not in the lead this season the team has been advancing lately and gives promise for a better future position.

Saving The Boys.

By the lecture tour of Judge Ben Lindsey the question of what to do with bad boys has been brought forcibly to the public mind. Those who share the sympathies of Judge Lindsay hold that in most instances boys may be set right if only placed under the proper environment and dealt with in a judicious, sympathetic manner.

How to handle the so-called incorrigible boy is ever a grave social problem, says an editorial in the Boston Globe. Parents become bewildered over it. Guardians frequently confess their inability to solve it. Yet there are agencies accomplishing much good for this class, and there should be more, for the majority can be saved to lead useful lives.

It is unjust to regard so many boys as incorrigible. That implies they are too bad to be corrected and are irreclaimable. This is a very harsh and wrong verdict. Change of environment would save most of these assumed incorrigibles. The Judge, the other day, who thought a career in the navy would make a man of a certain boy was in the right. The discipline would be what the lad needed, and the naval official was needlessly sensitive when he said the navy was not a reform school.

Boys are full of animal spirits. They have active minds and somewhere in their makeup there is good manhood material. It is essential so to improve their surroundings that they will take pride in obeying rules of deportment and in learning a

WOMAN

(The following is taken from the Coquille Herald and should be read twice: first entirely through, second time first and third lines; then second and fourth.)

That man must lead a happy life
Who is directed by a wife;
Who's freed from matrimonial claims
Is sure to suffer for his pains.

Adam could find no solid peace
Till he beheld a human face;
When Eve was given for a mate,
Adam was in a happy state.

In all the female race appears,
Truth, darling of the heart sincere,
Hypocrisy, deceit and pride
In woman never did reside.

What tongue is able to unfold
The worth in woman we behold,
The failings that in women dwell
Are almost imprecipitable.

Confusion take the men, I say,
Who no regard to women pay;
Who make the women their delight
Keep always reason in their sight.

Anon.

useful occupation. Too many of them are stamped incorrigible by persons unfit by temperament to teach or control them. All boys cannot be extra good students, but that is not a reason for so many of them being set down as lacking in mental or moral capacity. Give them a chance. Do not attempt to break their spirit and make them lose ambition.

Within a year 54 boys have been released from the industrial school at Shirley, and are, with two or three exceptions, in good positions, earning from \$4 to \$17 a week, according to age. And these are your "incorrigible!"—East Oregonian.

Coos Bay Still Hopes

For Railroad Via Drain.

Marshfield, Ore.,—According to unofficial but well substantiated advices that have reached Coos Bay, the Southern Pacific officials have decided that the extension to Coos Bay shall be built via Drain, instead of Eugene and Florence, as was urged by General Manager O'Brien. The decision is said to have been reached a few days ago, the Drain route, which was the choice of Vice President Calvin, at San Francisco, being adhered to by the Eastern officials of the road after examining the claims set forth for both routes.

However, the date of building the line has not been fixed, or at any rate not announced. Some of the Southern Pacific officials say that work on it may be resumed this year but that is not certain. The old survey and plans will be adhered to.

However, it is not anticipated that any announcements will be made regarding the matter until certain properties which the company desires are secured.

The information above comes in an indirect way to Coos Bay but is given considerable credence by people who have followed the situation closely.

Oil Well Down 1160 Feet

The oil well of the Miocene Oil and Gas Co. is now down 1160 ft., and owing to the very dry sand, which is filled with gas and contains some oil, it has been found necessary to use a heavier casing than that now in use, consequently the work of drilling has been suspended, awaiting the arrival of the casing.

The prospects for oil are looking better all the time, and as soon as the new casing arrives the work of drilling will be pushed with all possible haste again.—Bandon Recorder.

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