

PENTZ VISITS AUNT JANE

Writes Interesting Account of Visit to Tia Juana Across Mexican Line from San Diego—It to Penetrate Manana Land

TIA JUANA, Mexico, Oct. 4.—To the Editor—Thinking it may interest your readers, I will give a cursory resume of a trip to the Mexican town of Tia Juana, which, in company with Mr. Ames and wife, of Woodbury, N. J., I made on the 3d of October, 1911. We traveled by auto from San Diego over a boulevard that was graded and bordered by ranches, lemon groves and orchards and stretching on all sides of us a low level country, well adapted for fruits and grain. On the south of us were the hills of San Diego county, while back of them and but a little distance from us were the mountain ranges of Mexico, which were bare and denuded of useful vegetation, but, if watered, capable of cultivation. The houses were of an ordinary type and as we neared the Mexican line all about we could see the marked difference in the style of homes, cultivating grounds and the people. We saw many primitive objects such as windmills, weed grown fields and dilapidated fences and a general air of indolence and neglect. We passed the United States custom house marking the border line and at once were in the land of the Aztecs. We were struck with the general backwardness of the country and the character of the inhabitants, as we entered Tia Juana we saw a large frame building which we were told was the school house, but we were not allowed to enter. The town itself is an old village, having a population of about 300, made up of Mexicans, French, Americans and a sprinkling of English. It contains 14 saloons, one Roman Catholic church building and about six curio stores where may be purchased many articles that tourists like to buy. The most interesting sight was the camp of the Federals. We visited it, met a few of the officers, saw the armament and many "sanyohrah" and miserable looking women they were. The camp was pitched in the town, the tents were rags and hardly large enough for a man and his belongings. In these were the wives and papooses of the Indians. I looked into and entered one or more and found them in a disorderly condition, filthy inside and dirty outside. The camp had an embankment thrown up around it, which reminded me of the banks of the Fish Lake Ditch company and was very poorly constructed and not at all a defense to the "fort," which was an old boxhouse building, battened on the outside and not calculated to protect a dog. The homesteaders of Butte Falls have much better structures. I climbed the camp and was held up by one of the sentinels, who came to a dead halt on his beat, as I was about to cross the line. He stood like an automaton with his old musket at a carry arms attitude. I stopped and talked with him and made my way around to the other side and entered into a room where there were several officers and soldiers working upon a machine gun about which some of them appeared to know much, saluting them a la militaire, I returned to the town, visited an old Frenchman, indulged with him in a hospitable act, bade him and his wife au revoir and then went and talked with a very beautiful senora and made a few purchases and took the car back to the United States. The drive was magnificent, along the ocean on whose boom rode at anchor several of Uncle Sam's warships. We passed through Carondo, which is a most lovely spot, viewed Point Loma, the local spot of the Theosophists, where Madame Tingley has her school, then across the bay and into San Diego. I made many reflections upon the trip and could write a long article as to the sights and scenes and the incidents, but I do not wish to tire your readers. They should thank God and take courage that their lot is cast in the land of the free and the home of the brave. There is great opportunity and America must own Mexico, civilize it and make the hills and valleys blossom and the streams to water the land and bring forth abundantly to nourish man. It is a journey which is well worth the time and when I go farther down into the interior I will perhaps have more to write. Adios. S. S. P.

AMERICAN ENTRY FAILS TO WIN GREAT BALLOON RACE



ENTRANTS IN INTERNATIONAL BALLOON RACE.

DES MOINES, Iowa, Oct. 7.—Heavy gales which swept over this section caused the balloon America II, which left Kansas City at 6 o'clock Thursday evening in contest for the James Gordon Bennett international race trophy, to land four miles west of Emmetsburg, Iowa, yesterday.

In descending the balloon became entangled in telegraph wires and the pilot, William F. Assman, the noted St. Louis aviator, and his aide, Hurlbart, were injured. Their condition is not serious.

The gale is responsible for losing for the America II an opportunity to win the trophy a second time, as the

prize was to be given for the longest sustained flight. The America II won the trophy for this country last year with Captain Alan R. Hawley, who with Aeronaut Post, travelled 1,172 miles from St. Louis, alighting in the wilds of Quebec, Canada. The United States has won the trophy three times since 1906, when the first trophy was held.

DEMOCRAT TO DRIVE AUTOMOBILE FOR TAFT

WALLA WALLA, Oct. 7.—Local Republican leaders today here are embarrassed because it has just been learned that the automobile which will bear the portly form of President Taft Saturday morning, is owned by a prominent Democrat who will act as chauffeur. To add to their troubles the women voters of Walla Walla are hot on the trail of the entertainment committee because no women have been invited to join in that parade.

The G. A. R. veterans and Indian war veterans went around with chips on their shoulders for a time, but they were quieted when a section in the grandstand near the president's box was reserved for them.

DYNAMITE WILL NOT BE BROUGHT TO COAST

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Oct. 6.—Judge Markey today denied the petition of the California authorities to allow dynamite, nitro glycerine and other evidence found here by Burns detectives to be taken to Los Angeles for use against the McNamaras. He sustained a protest by District Attorney Baker who held that the evidence should be kept here where the McNamaras are under indictments for an alleged dynamiting at Peoria, Ill.

THREE HUNDRED MEN GO OUT ON STRIKE

OAKLAND, Cal., Oct. 6.—Three hundred men in the employ of the Taylor Lumber company in Alameda struck today. The trouble is an outgrowth of the dispute between the Sunset Lumber company and its employes, which has brought about industrial unrest for the last three months. The Taylor company's men claim the company is employing union laborers and refusing to sign a union scale of wages.

AUSTRIAN OFFICIALS HAVE NARROW ESCAPE

VIENNA, Oct. 7.—Wild panic reigned in the Reichstag here when an unidentified man fired several shots from a gallery into the ministerial benches where the minister of education and the minister of justice were sitting at the time.

The chamber was crowded with members awaiting the opening of the day's session when the shots rang out and they and the spectators at once joined in a wild rush to escape. The assailant of the ministers was arrested. Neither of the men were hurt.

ASK DE LA BARA TO CRUSH REVOLUTION

MEXICO CITY, Oct. 7.—Alarmed over the expected uprising of the Reyes party, the Maderists faction in Mexico has today petitioned secretary De La Bara to immediately suppress the incipient revolution, which they say will break on October 15, when the electoral convention takes place.

WIRELESS CONQUERS THE PACIFIC OCEAN

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal. Oct. 7.—Wireless has conquered the Pacific. A San Francisco operator in the United Wireless station at Hillcrest got in communication with the Japanese operator in the Jai station at Ootaki on the Island of Hukushu.

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RAILROADS MUST PAY FOR FIRES

United States Court of Appeals Holds Railroad Companies Liable for all Damage Done by Fires in Forests Started by Engines

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The decision was given in the case of the Corvallis and Eastern railroad which appealed from the United States district court which had held the railway liable for \$4500 damages to the federal government forest fires in the Cascade National forest.

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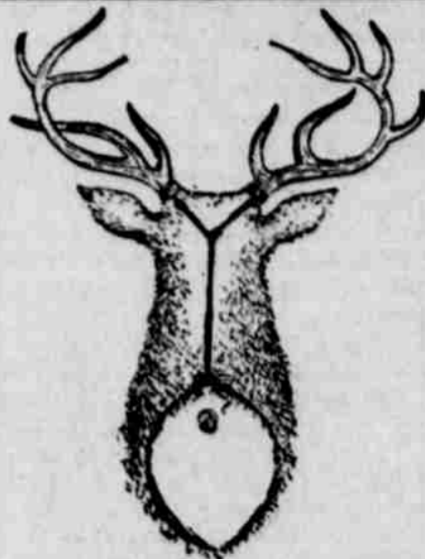
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