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FIRST CHIEF TO RETIRE FROM POST SO HE CAN RUN FOR PRESIDENT OF MEXICO, IS REPORT.

Laredo, Texas, July 30—Venustiano Carranza is to retire as First Chief of the de facto Government of Mexico at an early date and will be succeeded by General Pablo Gonzalez, according to information given out by Mexican administrative circles in Nuevo Laredo tonight.

General Carranza will enter the field as presidential candidate at the forthcoming general elections, it is said today, apparently confirming recent unofficial advices from Mexico City, which intimated that the First Chief would seek elevation to the Presidency at the hands of the voters.

The conference of Mexican Generals with Carranza soon to be held in Mexico City, according to these advices, will arrange for the call for general elections and for the retirement of the First Chief.

This conference was said to have been summoned to prevent possible friction in military circles over the proposed transfer of power.

While no date has been set for the conference, several high officers of the de facto government military forces have left the border within the last few days with the announced intention of proceeding to Mexico City to confer with General Carranza, and it is believed in Nuevo Laredo that the accession of Gonzalez to the administrative power will not be delayed long.

EXCURIOS

(Punch)

Extract from lecture by N. C. O.: "Your rifle is your best friend, take every care of it; tract it as you would your wife; rub it thoroughly with an oily rag every day."

New rice crop pays California \$70 an acre, or more than the finest wheat land gives.

COMMERCIAL VALUE OF POPCORN INCREASING

"The invention of mechanical corn-popping aids which make the process almost automatic has stimulated the demand for pop corn," says Farm and Fireside, the national farm paper published in Springfield, Ohio. "These mechanical poppers prevent losses from scorching the corn, and insure a popped product that need not be touched by the hand until it is in the possession of the consumer. There is also a growing commercial use of pop corn in confectionery. It is quite possible that pop corn in some form may yet become a satisfactory substitute for some of the commercial breakfast foods."

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YES, MISS WHOST, MY MARRIED LIFE WAS A HAPPY ONE FOR YEARS. IN FACT, MY WIFE AND I DIDN'T START TO BATTLE UNTIL RECENTLY. WHEN I SUDDENLY FOUND SHE WAS BECOMING LIGHT HEADED!



BUT THIS IS HOW HE DID IT



NEW PLANS

For Fiscal Court Discussed by County Attorney Rees.

A question that is occupying the attention of the voters and taxpayers of Mason county at the present time and causing them more or less concern is the manner of the administration of the Fiscal affairs of the county. No doubt the greatest contributing cause to the dissatisfaction that exists is the condition of our turnpike roads. No one denies the very evident fact that the roads of the county are not in as good a state of repair as they were five or ten years ago. I presume that every one realizes that a portion at least of their deterioration is due to the increased amount of traffic during that period, and especially the greatly increased traffic during the tobacco season each winter, at a time when the roads are most easily damaged. Notwithstanding this, there is a feeling that the public funds are not expended as efficiently as they might be. I have never heard any one accuse any member of the present Fiscal Court of dishonesty, and from my personal acquaintance with them I know that all of them are men of integrity. However, it is not my purpose in this article to defend or criticize the conduct of any individual or set of individuals, but to criticize a system that is cumbersome and antiquated, and to suggest the adoption of a system that I believe will prove an improvement over the present one. The trouble is not with the personnel of the court, but with the system itself. At present the Fiscal Court is composed of the various magistrates, or Justices of the Peace of the County, and the County Judge. There are eight Magisterial districts in Mason County, and, as each magistrate is only voted for in his own district, consequently each voter has a voice in the election of only one-eighth of the court. A magistrate instead of being answerable to the voters of the entire county for his acts is answerable only to his own constituents, and the result is an encouragement of log rolling methods in making appropriations of the public funds. It is only natural that a man should endeavor to secure as many benefits as possible for his own district. Another serious defect in the present system is the fact that the members of the Fiscal Court, being also Justices of the Peace, are invested by law with jurisdiction of petty civil and criminal cases. This feature of the office reduces the number of desirable men that might otherwise offer their services in the management of the fiscal affairs of the county. The duties incident to the office of a Justice of the Peace are irksome and annoying to many business men and, in fact, render it impossible for many men to accept the office of Magistrate. At each election it becomes necessary in many districts to cajole and beg representative men to run for the office.

The taxes collected each year in Mason County amount to approximately \$85,000.00, including the school tax, and the efficient expenditure of this sum of money requires not only a high degree of business ability on the part of the members of the Fiscal Court but a close personal supervision by them of the affairs of the county. This supervision will never be secured under the present system, and not until a less

complicated one is adopted whereby authority is more centralized and responsibility can be fixed.

The Constitution of the State of Kentucky provides that "Counties shall have a Fiscal Court which may consist of the Judge of the County Court and the Justices of the Peace, in which court the Judge of the County Court shall preside, if present; or a County may have three Commissioners to be elected from the County at large, who, together with the Judge of the County Court, shall constitute the Fiscal Court." By an act of the Legislature this latter provision has been made operative, and a means has been provided for electing three Commissioners from the county at large, who, with the County Judge shall compose the Fiscal Court. Section 1847, Kentucky Statutes, as amended, provides that upon application by written petition signed by three hundred and fifty of the legal voters of the County the County Judge shall submit to the qualified voters of the County at the next general election the question, "whether the Fiscal Court of the County shall be composed of three Commissioners, to be elected from the County at large, and the Judge of the County Court." If the majority of the votes are in favor of the proposition, the County is divided into three districts, as nearly equal in population as possible. At the next general election for County officers three Commissioners are elected, one from each district. Thus, each section of the County will be represented and every voter will have a voice in the election of every member of the Court.

I believe that under this plan it will be unnecessary to beg the best men of the County to seek the office, and that the Fiscal affairs of the County can be handled more efficiently and more expeditiously than is possible under the present cumbersome system. I am not one of that class of reformers that believes the millennium will dawn the moment his own particular brand of reform is adopted, but I do believe that the adoption of the Commission plan will be a decided step forward in County government. My only purpose in having this article published is to sound the sentiment of the voters and taxpayers of Mason County, and to secure from as many of them as possible an expression of opinion for or against the proposed change in the method of selecting our Fiscal Courts.

W. H. REES, County Attorney.

For the use of naturalists there has been invented a cane containing a compass, double lens, thermometer, sand, glass and bottle to hold flowers or insects.

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QUESTION OF BASEBALL'S ORIGIN IS MUCH MOOTED

Whether or not the city of Cooperstown really originated the national game of baseball is at least open to some question, but for certain it was a Cooperstown man who first evolved the idea of placing the players in practically the same positions they occupy today, according to the late A. G. Spalding.

Spalding, who left a rather elaborate account of the origin of the game, credits Abner Doubleday with its evolution, and avers that it was the embodiment of his ideas that led ultimately to the arrangement which we are accustomed to. Simmered down, however, it would seem that it was only a question of arising to the occasion, for two dozen or more boys to join in a game of ball—that is, batting and catching. And, inasmuch as they had to be distributed after some fashion, Doubleday brought forth the practice of putting men on bases, and of putting runners who failed to reach certain bases, out.

The recent celebration in Cooperstown has reopened the controversy and naturally has occasioned the usual amount of adverse criticism. Some students of the early history of the game still express some doubts regarding its origin, in spite of the writings of Spalding and of several other authorities, and openly indicate their skepticism that either nine or eleven players ever took the field first at Cooperstown.

In the days when Abner Doubleday attended school at Cooperstown (1839) Spalding reports, it was a common thing for two dozen or more school-boys to join in a game of ball. Doubtless, as in my later experiences, collisions between the players in attempting to catch the batted ball were frequent, and injury due to this cause or to the practice of putting out the runner by hitting him with the ball, often occurred.

I can well understand how the orderly mind of the embryo West Pointer would devise a scheme for limiting the contestants on each side and allotting them to amount of territory; also substituting the existing method of putting out the base runner for the old one of plugging him with the ball. True, it appears from the statement that Doubleday provided for eleven men on a side, instead of nine, stationing the two extra men between first and second and third bases, but this is a minor detail; and indeed I have played, and doubtless other old players have, repeatedly with eleven on a side, placed almost identically in the manner indicated by Doubleday's diagram; although it is true that we so played after the number of each side had been fixed at nine, simply to admit to the game an additional number of those who wished to take part in it.

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