

COUNTRY SCHOOLS AWARDED \$20,000

THE STATE EMERGENCY BOARD MAKES ALLOWANCE TO PREVENT CLOSING.

STATE FAIR ALSO SHARES

Aid is Given Agricultural Board For the Purpose of Paying An \$18,442 Deficit.

Western Newspaper-Union News Service.

Columbus.—Many practices in the state came in for sharp criticism at a meeting of the State Emergency Board...

The award next in size was one for \$18,442 to the State Board of Agriculture...

The board granted \$5,000 to the State Board of Administration to begin the construction of a new building at the Maestlin State hospital...

The board will employ private labor and will not advertise the contract. It is estimated that it will cost \$33,000.

Country Editors Win.

By clinging tenaciously to their contention that they will not publish Ohio State fair advertisements until the 1915 bills have been settled by the state...

The amount due the publishers is more than \$20,000 compared with the \$10,000...

Turner Opinions Ready.

Pursuant to a law passed by the last legislature, the opinions of Attorney General Turner for 1914 have been prepared...

Equipment Financed.

The New York Central railway has been authorized by the Utilities Commission to issue its equipment trust certificates...

Ohio Farmer Mixes Breeds.

A report has been made to State Game Warden John C. Sparks by L. F. Cleveland, a farmer near Xenia...

Public Printing Fight.

Latest evidence indicates there is to be a trial of official extermination between the Crawford and Crosses...

Cleveland is Appointed.

A. L. Flandermeyer, Democrat, Cleveland, has been appointed by Governor Willis to be a member of the State Board of Pharmacy...

Profit Netted By Donahay.

By holding several thousand barrels of oil during the rise in prices from last August to the present time...

Three Are Eligible.

T. Franklin Johnson and Artemus A. Moul, Columbus, and William O. Reimer, New Strataville, were certified to the State Board of Administration...

Queen of Spain III.

Madrid, April 6.—Queen Victoria of Spain is seriously ill. She was compelled to take to her bed several days ago...

WORTH KNOWING

A new electric flash light pistol of French invention for scaring criminals not only displays a bright light when the trigger is pulled but also makes a noise like a real weapon as well.

To utilize some of the power exerted by a person in a rocking chair a Minnesota man has invented a spring motor that is wound by ratchet mechanism attached to the back of a chair.

Work of Employment Bureaus.

The work done by the seven state free employment agencies in the March report put out by the State Industrial Commission. The new registrations were 20,667 and the total number of applications for work of 28,485.

Board Hears Applicants.

The State Medical Board heard applications for reinstatement on the part of those whose licenses to practice medicine have been revoked.

Huge increases in reserve ammunition for field, sea and siege cannon, bases on European standards.

Completion of the fortifications of Los Angeles and San Diego.

Provision is made for the construction of an experimental 16-inch mortar, and one 14-inch direct fire mortar mounted on a railroad car for the defense of unfortified harbors.

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Paris, April 6.—A powerful German attack against the first lines of the French south of Douaumont was repulsed.

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DEFENSE BILL O. K.

PREPAREDNESS MEASURE REPORTED FAVORABLY BY HOUSE COMMITTEE.

CARRIES BIG APPROPRIATION

Authorized War Department to Expend Total of \$34,297,050 on Coast Defenses—Last Year's Bill Carried \$6,000,000—Provides More Ammunition.

Washington, April 5.—The fortifications bill—second of the big preparedness measures—was reported favorably to the house on Thursday. It carries direct appropriations of \$21,997,050 and authorizes the war department to enter into contracts amounting to \$12,300,000, a total of \$34,297,050.

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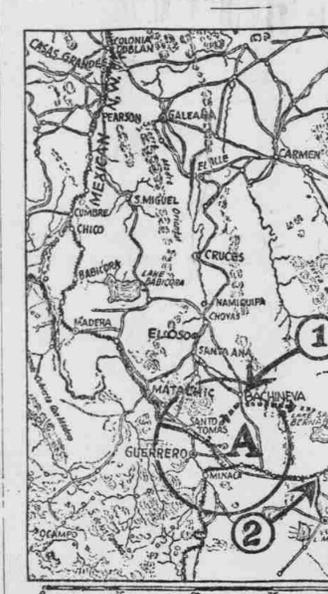
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THE HUNT FOR VILLA



A District colonel Guerrero in which Villa has been on by Colonel Dodd's column since fight with Villa's followers. 1—Villa's force defeated by United States troops reported located near Bachineva after retreat northeast from Guerrero. They are probably retreating along same line Villa is said to have covered in his escape to Satevo. 2—American troops reported to have reached San Antonio, sixty miles northwest of Satevo, after defeating detachment of Villistas. 3—Villa with eight of his band reported to have reached Satevo, fifty miles south of Chihuahua City, on his way to Parral.

HOLLAND NEAR WAR FRENCH HALT ATTACK

ARMY IS BEING MOBILIZED BY THE DUTCH. ASSAULT BY GERMAINS IN VERDUN REGION REPULSED.

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NO WAR WITH U. S.

CHANCELLOR ASSERTS THAT GERMANY IS FIGHTING FOR LIFE AGAINST FOE.

OFFERED PEACE TO ALLIES

Von Bethmann-Hollweg in Speech in Reichstag Declares Poland Will Not Be Restored to Russia—CANNOT CRUSH MILITARY POWER.

Berlin, (by wireless to Sayville, L. I., April 7)—Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg indicated in his speech in the Reichstag on Wednesday that any suggestion of peace on the basis of destruction of Prussian military power would be possible only on answer—the German word. He said that if Germany's adversaries desired to continue the slaughter of men and devastation of Europe the guilt would be theirs, and that Germany would have to "stand up to its man."

The chancellor protested vigorously against the report that Germany now or in the future contemplated aggression against the United States. The chancellor said:

"The latest offspring of the calumnious campaign directed against Germany is a report that we, after the end of this war, shall rush against the American continent, and that we shall attempt to conquer Canada."

The chancellor insisted that the conflict must be fought out to a finish and that guarantees of peace in Europe must be forthcoming after this conflict is over.

Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg, beginning with a review of the military situation, said:

"Reports of the enemy that Germany's forces have been used up are proved false by what is now happening at Verdun, where operations were pursued with profound foresight and where the bravery of German troops obtained one advantage after another."

"I recognize that living conditions in Germany are not easy," said the chancellor, "but the difficulties are being borne in admirable fashion by the whole nation, especially by the poorer classes. Winter crops are good. In fact, it has been many years since reports were so hopeful."

"The American note of November 5 last gave an exact description of English violations of the law of nations, but so far as I know that note has never been answered."

"No even-minded neutral, no matter whether he favors us or not, can doubt our right to defend ourselves against this war of starvation which is contrary to international law. No one can ask us to allow our arms of defense to be wrested from us. We have them and we must use them."

Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg declared there must be a new Belgium. At the same time he said that it must not be expected that Germany could ever again deliver into Russian hands the Polish provinces captured by the Teutons.

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NATION-WIDE MOVE

IS LED BY OHIO

ADOPTION OF STANDARD FOR FIRE HOSE COUPLINGS IS PROPOSED IN COLUMBUS.

After Plan is Launched With Buckeye Cities as Centers, It Will Be Extended to Cover Larger Field.

Western Newspaper-Union News Service.

Columbus, O.—Definite form is being given by a movement to be nationwide in its scope and to be supported by large fire insurance companies and fire-protection organizations for standardizing of hose couplings in all cities and towns which have fire-fighting equipment. The movement is first to be worked out in Ohio, with this state as a center, is to be promoted throughout the United States. The form of organization to be maintained is that adopted by the Central Ohio Fire Chiefs, comprising the chiefs of departments with a radius of 50 miles of Columbus. The Columbus organization is to be followed by the formation of a similar association in Cincinnati, embracing cities in Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana, within a radius of 50 miles of the Queen City. Similarly in Cleveland, the body will take in all cities within 50 miles of Cleveland. The center for another district may be Youngstown; and for another, East Liverpool, comprising cities in Ohio, Pennsylvania and West Virginia. Toledo will be a center for cities in a 50-mile radius in Indiana, Ohio and Michigan. Marietta and Portsmouth will be Ohio river centers.

All the cities will be urged to adopt the national standard specifications, which for 2 1/2-inch hose, call for an outside diameter over male-end thread of 3-1/16 inches, with 7 1/2 threads to the inch. After the Ohio centers have been thoroughly organized the plan is to extend the series of centers until the whole nation is covered. At present, though the subject has been agitated among fire men in the past, the first tangible steps are being taken to make the uniformity an actuality. Fire chiefs have given the movement encouragement as second in interest only to the clearing and inspection campaigns, which originated in Ohio and have spread over the country.

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ARRESTED STATE INSPECTOR

Federal Agent Says He Resold Cocaine.

Columbus, O.—A full 24 hours was the start achieved by the new secretary of the state board of agriculture when he accepted the resignation of William Lebarge, alias George Oakley, formerly of Toledo, who was state narcotics inspector. After Oakley had been arrested here by George F. Geist, of the internal revenue department of the federal government, Mr. Stauffer showed a copy of the resignation of Oakley, dated March 20. Stauffer said he accepted it under a condition which made the resignation at Stauffer's pleasure.

Oakley is held in the Franklin county jail under \$2,000 bond for a hearing before United States Commissioner A. H. Johnson. It is charged that Oakley was confiscating drugs of the habit forming sort under the state law and reselling them to users at a big profit to himself. Lebarge, or Oakley, has been in the state service for 10 years.

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