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A Strong Army Reserve. The United States needs no very large standing army, but provision should be made for training a great many more men than now in the first principles of military service.

Gen. Carter in command of the maneuver division in Texas condemns the skeleton regiment formation, and recommends that an army of 100,000 to 150,000 men be organized with every regiment at full war strength.

The truth is, the only thing that stands in the way of abolishing all the smaller posts and maintaining the army in large units at few strategic centers is the very large investment that the United States has in its outlying posts.

El Paso stands to win if the policy of concentrating the troops is adopted in future—that is, if the overwhelming advantages of this locality from both strategic and climatic standpoints are properly laid before the authorities at Washington.

Out of the Texas maneuverers the active men in the army will learn a good deal that is of use, but it is doubtful whether the civil authorities will profit much by them.

Nearly one-tenth of all the people of Texas are dependent upon railroad employment for their living. Yet the legislators are habitually inclined to treat the railroads like dangerous pests.

There is no way, says a bulletin of the Texas Commercial Secretaries' association, "there is no way of escaping the road tax; if the tax assessor don't get us, the mud hole will. We paid the tax collector last year \$3,000,000 in road tax, and the mudholes collected \$8,000,000 in the additional cost of toting farm products to market."

Contrary to the general idea, Boston has always been highly active in western development. Boston built the Santa Fe railroad and the Mexican Central, the Burlington and the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul.

Laborers Wanted

NINE THOUSAND laborers wanted on railroad work in the southwest, and at the same time an earnest plea of social workers in Chicago and the north for municipal lodging houses for the unemployed.

The problem in this country will be solved not by free transportation or even by public employment bureaus, but rather by a gradual building up of industries in farm regions that will insure work for the greater part of the year and do away with the necessity of heavy seasonal movement of short term labor.

Funny how slowly a good idea takes hold sometimes; now the educators of eastern cities are just beginning to look upon the open air school as a good thing, but they are still limiting their approval to cases of children predisposed to tuberculosis or afflicted with it in some degree.

Waste, be it remembered, is the supreme evil. Demand for all the agricultural products of this valley far exceeds the supply, and it will always be so.

UNCLE WALT'S Denatured Poem

YOU fly in a passion and roar in fool fashion when something or other goes wrong, and people who hear you regret they are near you, and wish you would mosey along.

The Ghost In the Mine

HE HAD been rejected, He stared at the girl with gleam of fury in his dark eyes and ground his teeth.

"I will get even with you for that, with you and the fool who has stolen your love for me. If I am to die for it with my life, I will see that you never marry Hans Freund," he threatened.

Next day Fritz and Franz were working side by side, when suddenly they heard a noise which made them start.

When they had been taken to the surface, Franz was unconscious and Fritz kept on mumbling unintelligible words about Hans Freund, that he was buried under the coal and that he, Fritz, had pushed him over the edge and that now his ghost was walking below.

When he finally had recovered so far that he could talk, the matter was cleared up. Franz had suspected Fritz and had kept his eyes on him and Franz had jumped in just in time and had saved Hans, while he himself was pushed over the edge.

Married Life the Second Year

By Mabel Herbert Urner

answered, hating herself for the lie she told it. And when nothing came that day she knew they were wondering why.

"They came all the way from New York as fresh as that," her mother asked wonderingly. "Oh no," turning over the lid of the box, "you see they are from St. Louis.

"MOLLY" is the only colloquial substitute for the more dignified Mary that good taste will tolerate. Other like Mamie and Mame are seldom heard outside the most intimate circles, and good literature scorns them.

Two of the world's famous lyric poets owe some of the happiest hours of their lives to girls named Molly, Shelley and Burger.

Like Burger's, so Shelley's love for "Molly," Mary Goodwin, broke his wife's heart, but they had at least the happiness of living in peace for eight years, while the end of their love culminated in the long-wished-for marriage.

Panama Canal, a Modern Labor Of Hercules Three-Fourths Completed

In Its Construction a Suez Canal Is Dug Every Twelve Months by 35,000 Workmen

CULEBRA, Canal Zone, Panama, May 25.—Announcement will soon be made that the Panama canal is three-fourths completed. More than three-fourths of all the dirt to be moved is already out of the ditch, and other parts of the work are progressing apace.

Some of the Obstacles. Think of a single landslide, with a superficial area of 45 acres, slipping foot by foot into the canal! Yet the canal diggers simply redouble their determination, and declare that they will not let such a thing delay the opening of the canal one single hour.

Two years ago the world was marveling at the health conditions obtaining on the isthmus. It compared well with the healthiest spots on the map.

The problems of the canal naturally divide themselves into two general classes—those of digging the ditch and those of building up the great locks and the great locks are rapidly assuming its ultimate shape, and by the time Culebra cut is down to the requisite depth there will be nothing left to do in the remainder of the canal.

Incessantly night and day, dredges keep up the work of deepening the channel in from the Atlantic to Gatun and in from the Pacific to Miraflores.

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GIRLS' NAMES

MOLLY What They Mean—Famous People That Bore the Name—The Name in History, Literature, Etc.

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Abe Martin

By Frederic J. Haskin



Jealousy is as hard to hide as a bad drum. Speakin' o' th' high cost o' courtin', who kin remember when all a feller needed was a narrow buggy an' a sack o' cinnamon drops?

14 Years Ago Today

From The Herald Of This Date 1897

The El Paso Electric Light company has the largest boiler in operation in west Texas.

The Postal Telegraph company is rushing to completion its line between Albuquerque and El Paso.

Collector Chas. Davis came in over the S. P. this afternoon and continued to his ranch down the river.

The Rio Grande dropped two feet at the Selden dam last night and it is believed the worst of the flood has passed.

Capt. H. M. Levinson, roadmaster for the T. P., is in the city from Big Springs, looking after the flood damage.

W. W. Wiley's big dog broke loose last night and bit Frank Carr's little child. The dog was immediately shot dead.

The McGinty battleship was completed and launched for the first time Sunday. It is now lying up and down the flooded section.

Dick Rule, a well known old-timer in the newspaper business in this section, has been appointed to a responsible position in the special agent's department by secretary Gage.

The high school commencement was held at the opera house last night. The valedictory was made by Randolph Terry. Miss Ethel P. Shelton and Miss Gertrude Windsor also delivered an address. Miss Jessie Johnson delivered an address on "Snap Shots." The presentation of diplomas was made by Dr. C. T. Race, president of the school board.

PIVOTAL POINTS

By ELBERT HUBBARD

ONE of the greatest things that Herbert Spencer ever wrote was an essay entitled "The Law of Pivotal Points."

Down through history there are events that have changed the history of the world. For instance, something happened on April 19, 1775, when the British marched out to Concord and not all of them marched back again.

In the lives of individuals there are pivotal points. We grow by leaps and bounds, by throes and throbs.

Paul, going down to Damascus to persecute the Christians, was stricken with blindness, and when he recovered sight he saw things he had never seen before.

They went down into Chinatown and started a store, employing only Chinese clerks. Whether they employed natives I cannot say, but both of them learned to chin-chin in Chin and had the epigrams of Confucius at their tongues' end. Also they wore their shirts outside their pants in order to prove the poetic utilities.