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## GENERAL SCOTT SENT TO PACIFY PIUTE INDIANS

War Department's Chief of Staff Starts on Diplomatic Mission to Noble Red Men Who Are Now on Warpath.

Washington, March 3.—Brigadier General Scott, chief of staff of the army, left here today for Utah to attempt a peaceful settlement with the recalcitrant Piute Indians.

General Scott has a long record not only as an Indian fighter, but also as a mediator among the Indians, whose dialects he speaks and whose habit he knows thoroughly. War department officials say he has more influence with the Indians of the west than any other white man. About a year ago he brought the recalcitrant Navajos into camp without bloodshed.

### Want Scott's Good Offices.

After conferences today between officials of the war department, the department of justice and the interior department, it was decided to ask General Scott to see if he could not bring the renegade band of Putes in to give up their leader who is charged with murder.

Reports from Bluff, Utah, where the band is entrenched, say the roads are very bad and the country is covered with deep snow. It may take General Scott and his party three days to reach the Indians after they leave the railroad.

### 200 Off Reservation.

Reports to the Indian office say there are now nearly 200 Piute warriors off the reservation. They are said to have the sympathies of many of the reservation Indians. With three feet of snow in the mountains and no railroad communication within several hundred miles, members of the army general staff familiar with Indian fighting, think a campaign would be attended by great difficulties.

General Scott and Colonel Michie, his aide, expect to get as close to the Indian country by railroad as possible by Saturday or Sunday. The mountain roads are impassable for automobiles at this season and probably it will be necessary for the general with escort to go on horseback on a four or five days' journey.

Pending the outcome of General Scott's mission the war department has not given much thought to the dispatch of troops. They probably would be drawn from the Tenth cavalry at Fort Douglas, Utah, about 300 miles away from the Indian country, or from the Ninth cavalry at Naca.

### Leaves for Utah.

As General Scott left Washington he announced that he would proceed by rail to Morrison, Utah. At this point he would strike into the mountains on horseback for a distance of 170 miles through the snow. Besides Colonel Michie, his aide, General Scott will be accompanied by an orderly. It is also possible that he will take with him some Navajo Indians living in the vicinity to act as guides and to make camp.

The general's mission will be attended by considerable personal risk to himself and his little party and some of the old soldiers in the war department today recalled experiences in the Indian country. Secretary Garrison feels reasonably confident, however, that the mission will be successful. He recalled incidents in the adventurous career

## MORE SNOW IN HILLS THAN FOR MANY YEARS

More than four feet of snow rests on the bald pate of Mount Baker today, as a result of a fall of 14 inches, reported out to Roosevelt by the forest service phone yesterday, and relayed to Phoenix by the reclamation service. Heavy falls of snow were also reported in a number of other higher-up sections.

The presence of an unusual quantity of snow on the Salt and Tonto river watersheds assures still further additions to the reservoir, and in the opinion of some optimistic folks, means that instead of celebrating a million acre feet, the valley ought to wait a while and then have a regular jubilee over a full to-running-over-lake.

Data received at the reclamation service yesterday morning: Pleasant Valley, 10.75 inches. Baker Mountain, 14.00 inches. Carr's ranch, 10.00 inches.—Arizona Republican.

## School Notes Of Special Interest

Our library was this week increased by a fifteen volume set of encyclopaedia. This purchased with money raised by our social of a short time ago. We have felt the need of books of this sort for some time and will be able to do much better work in the advanced grades now that we have them.

Susie and Anna Thomas and Helen Sapp discontinued work in our schools this week. They will take up work in the Normal School at Flagstaff.

Roy and Rachel Thomas have been unable to attend school this week on account of illness. Roy is confined with tonsillitis while Rachel has a very severe cold.

The bad weather this week has caused a great number of absences. It hardly seems that we should have so many pupils kept from their studies on account of unfavorable weather. Holbrook is a small town and everyone within a short distance of school. Our pupils who live on ranches and come a great distance are the most regular and most punctual in attendance. Parents aid us in securing better attendance.

Guy, Ray and Claud Despain were absent Wednesday and Thursday on account of bad roads caused by the inclemency of the weather. Up to this date the boys made a record to be proud of in attendance considering the distance they have to drive.

The 4th grade pupils completed the review of their readers Tuesday and took up Art Literature Wednesday and are more than enjoying James Whitcomb Riley as the first 30 pages are given exclusively to selections that appeal to children from this famous author.

of General Scott to justify his confidence.

## MOVING TOWARD THE NAVAJO MOUNTAINS

Denver, March 3.—A special to the Denver Times from Bluff, Utah, today stated that the recalcitrant Putes who are endeavoring to prevent the arrest of one of their number, Tse-Negat, on a charge of murder, have left Bulter canyon and are headed for the Navajo mountains in northeastern Arizona.—Morning Journal.

## News of Holbrook and Vicinity

Burton Smith was in from Snowflake last Saturday.

John Miller went to St Joseph last Friday.

Walter McLaws made a trip to Winslow last week.

Mr. Pete Fenn went to St Joe last Friday to the Entertainment.

Attorney Thorwald Larson left for Prescott Thursday.

S. D. Smith went to Prescott last night on business.

Attorney J. E. Crosby departed for Prescott Wednesday on legal business.

Curt Cronmeyer came down on the local from Allantown as a witness in a land proof case.

The R. R. Carpenter crew are putting a toilet in the depot running a sewer to the river.

Sheriff Hamblin passed through here last week with some prisoners bound for the State Pen.

Julius Becker stopped over here a couple of days while enroute from Albuquerque to Springerville.

Judge Sapp returned from Kingman last Sunday where he had been presiding in the Superior Court of Mojave County.

Geo. O. Augerstein of the firm of A. & B. Schuster Co. leaves in the morning for a vacation to the Frisco fair.

Mr. C. H. Moss came up from Winslow last week to visit with his sister Miss Dee Moss, County Recorder.

Robert Fry and J. E. Nelson are in from Chambers as witnesses on Mr Curtis land proof case.

**FOR SALE.** Oliver Typewriter Standard No. 3. Visible. Writes 84 characters. Practically new. Will be sold cheap. Can be seen at the office of THE NEWS

Mr. V. David Crall spent a couple days in town during the week looking after the interests of the History of the American Nation.

Hugh Larson is in town from St Joseph. He has been called on the mission service of the L. D. S. church and will depart in the near future we understand for Australia.

The School bonds for the St. Joseph District No. 2 amounting to \$10,000.00 were sold by the board of supervisors at the last meeting to the International Trust Co. of Denver, Col. The price realized was \$10,057.50.

Snow plows and scrapers on the streets of Holbrook to remove the snow from sidewalks is something of a novelty; nevertheless these implements were used for that purpose last Tuesday and Wednesday after the heavy fall of snow.

Judge Geo. H. Crosby of Apache County stopped over here a couple of days this week enroute home from Phoenix where he was called to preside in some cases in which Judge Stanford was disqualified. While there Judge Crosby passed on the Mothers pension and declared the same invalid which was about the proper thing to do.

Rev. A. W. Adkinson, D. D., Superintendent of the Arizona Mission of the Methodist Episcopal Church, will conduct services in Holbrook Sunday, March 7th, at 11:00 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be a feature of the evening service. Sunday School as usual. There will be no meeting Monday night.

J. P. Richards was a business visitor from St Joseph Saturday.

Gus Hansen was up from Winslow Saturday.

W. B. Cross and family visited St Jo Friday returning Saturday.

Tom Pickett came in from the range last Monday.

Wallace Larson is here on business from Woodruff.

Hon W. A. Parr came up from Winslow Thursday returning the same day.

W. F. Williams departed for Phoenix last Sunday. He went overland with his roadster.

Chas Thomas left for Flagstaff Thursday morning where he will put his two daughters in school.

Julius Wetzler has returned from Los Angeles and will remain some time.

Susie B. Peterson has been appointed postmaster at Pinedale vice Mrs S. A. Brewer.

L. D. Dively and J. W. Taft have returned from a trip to the Tonto and Pleasant Valley Country.

Hon. W. H. Burbage was here from Winslow Monday having business before the Board of Supervisors.

Chas Brvant of Taylor went through last week enroute to Prescott where he was to serve as Trial Juror in the Federal Court.

The cesspool at the court house layed in some time ago and rock is being hauled and a wall will be put in to prevent further accidents of the kind.

Mrs. Della Cummings and Mrs Wakefield were visitors from Manila. They came up to look after the interests of their school district and do some trading.

The west end of town looks quite lively with the work train in and clearing the way for the new warehouses that are to be built.

The Embroidery Club was entertained last Friday by Mrs. Chas. E. Perkins a goodly number of the members were present as well as invited guests. The afternoon was enjoyed by all.

The Santa Fe Section House has been moved to the north side of the main line near its first location, the change became necessary on account of the space on the south side being needed for the new warehouses to be erected.

Last Friday evening the Snowflake Orchestra gave a musical concert at St Joseph. The program, which consisted of cornet clarinet and violin solos, Male quartets and piano duets were rendered first class. After the program dancing was indulged in and thoroughly enjoyed by all. Prof. Candall is entitled to a great deal of credit as a band master, and by his untiring efforts has brought out all the musical qualifications of each member. We would be pleased to have them give a concert here.

Canvassing for newspapers magazines periodicals etc must be a very good business from the number of agents that have been visiting Holbrook lately. We note from our exchanges that several of these gentlemen have been arrested in various parts of Arizona and New Mexico for obtaining money and not delivering the magazines, periodicals or papers. Two such actors were arrested last week in Albuquerque while having a good drunk on the funds that they had duped many a housewife out of. Moral. Get your magazines through the News and you know what you are getting.

## PENSION LAW CASE IN SUPREME COURT

The case of L. H. Buckstegge vs. the board of control, commonly known as the old age and mothers' pension law case, was filed in supreme court yesterday on appeal from the superior court of Maricopa county.

The case, which was argued before Judge Geo. H. Crosby, of Apache county last week, was decided against the law, the court ruling that it was unconstitutional, and enjoining the board from taking any action toward the payment of the pensions approved. Just when the case will come up for hearing in the supreme court will not be known until next Monday, March 8, when the calendar will be called. It is expected however, that the case will be given an early hearing, as both the plaintiff and the attorney general are anxious for a decision in the matter.—Arizona Republican.

## A LETTER

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
Washington, Feb. 23, 1915.  
Editor, Holbrook News,  
Holbrook, Arizona,  
My dear Sir:

It has been announced at the White House that the President does not intend to call a special session of Congress, so that I shall leave Washington shortly after the 4th of March and will be able to remain in Arizona until next December. I have been here almost continuously for the past three years and it is needless to say that I shall be glad to get home. Please advise the readers of your newspaper that any mail addressed to me at Phoenix will receive prompt attention.

Yours very truly,  
CARL HAYDEN.

## A BILL

To establish public highways along all section lines in the public lands of the United States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That ninety days from and after the approval of this Act there shall be reserved for public land in the United States and Alaska, the section line being the center of such highways, but no deduction shall be made, where cash payments for public land are provided for by law, in the amount to be paid for any legal subdivision of land by reason of such reservations: Provided, That if such highways shall be vacated by any competent authority the title to the respective strips of land shall inure to the then owner of the tract of land of which such strip formed a part by the original survey.

SEC. 2. That the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized to perform any and all acts and to make such rules and regulations as may be necessary and proper for the purpose of carrying provisions of this Act into full force and effect.

## TEACHERS EXAMINATION.

Monday and Tuesday of this week teachers examination was held at the office of County School Superintendent Peterson. Those taking the exams were Miss Eleanor Henderson, of Winslow, Miss Ina Peterson, Holbrook, Mrs Ada Trammel, Holbrook, and Lorenzo Rhoton, Shumway.

THE NEWS is in receipt of the latest in correspondence cards, and invites the ladies to call and see them.

## POSTAL DEPARTMENT DEFICIT

The deficit in the postal department is now about \$70,000,000 and estimated at \$80,000,000 for the fiscal year. The bulk of this is charged up to the parcels post division. The increase in the weight limit from 20 to 50 pounds is claimed to account for a large proportion of this amount. This does not look like sound business handling mail of this character at a loss, yet there are other angles from which to view the proposition. The revenues of the government seem to be pretty well cleaned up every year. If not used for the mail service, they go into other channels, and we pay our little mite just the same, and humble idea is that we had a bit rather see it go into the mail service than anywhere else. Lately there has also been some talk of curtailing the rural route service. While the American people want a run for their money, we don't believe they desire any curtailment of the mail service, as at present conducted we have a very efficient handling of the mails, and it seems to us a step backward to cut out any feature of this that brings the mails more quickly and efficiently to the people of this country. The majority of us are entirely willing to dig up a mite more to keep things going and let us have better service, instead of worse, even if there is a deficit at the end of each year. We believe in strict economy, and want the postoffice department handled on absolutely a business basis, but at the same time it must be considered that it is not a private business and can not be judged on any such basis. Our army and navy cost us a vast amount each and every year, with no return, yet we consider it well spent money, and it is the same with the postoffice department. Keep the service up to a high standard, conduct the operations of the department upon a business basis, and then if there is a shortage, we will all dig it up and settle. Better for that than for support of some other governmental proposition out of which the masses of the people derive but little benefit.

## SOMETHING FOR THE RANCHERS TO ANSWER

H. E. Langley, propounder of puzzles, submits a query to The Republican, which he believes will give the ranchers of the valley a chance to do some guessing or some figuring. Mr. Langley writes:

"I wish you would ask the public through your paper what will be the pressure of the water on the Roosevelt dam, when the elevation reaches 200 feet.

"Please give the length of the dam at top and bottom."

As a hint, it is stated that the water pressure on any particular square foot of the dam, is equal to the weight of a column of water, with a cross-section equal to a square yard, and with a length equal to the depth from surface at which the particular square foot is taken.

To figure the pressure on the entire dam would be quite a little problem in mathematics, but it was done over and over again by the reclamation engineers before even a stone was laid.—Arizona Republican.

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