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**A QUESTION THAT WON'T DOWN.**

THE question of houses in which to live will not down in Juneau. The experience of I. J. Sharick, recorded yesterday is that of others who have houses to rent. There are about a score of applicants for every available house. Juneau won't and cannot develop as it ought until this condition is met. The only way to meet it is to build more houses. There is no other question of more pressing importance before this city. What is the use of planning big things that require the employment of people if there is no place for those who have work here to live?

Representative Frank O. Smith, who has contracted the habit of trying to give Southeastern Alaska to Canada, is a Maryland farmer, aged 55 years, who is serving his first term in Congress. He lives in a Republican district but was elected as a Democrat in the tidal wave of 1912. This is not necessarily intended as an obituary, for Alaskans regard him as harmless.

COME HOME, COLONEL; COME QUICK.

WASHINGTON newspapers have amusing accounts of the attempts of their reporters to interview Dr. Lyman Abbott concerning the Mexican and free tolls propositions. He was evasive as to both questions, but said perhaps "we" think the United States should have intervened against both Huerta and the Constitutionalists a long time ago, and that "we" are not in favor of free tolls. Poor old Doctor! It was a shame for the Colonel to stay away where the Doctor could not consult him when such stirring things were occurring at home. It must be embarrassing to the Doctor not to be certain as to what "we" think about these important matters. Get back, Colonel, quick, and relieve the Doctor's distress. It is plain that his guessing at what you would think is getting on his nerves.

**THE SILVER LINING.**

EVERY cloud is said to have a silver lining. The bright spot in the war clouds that have hung over the Gulf of Mexico and the South Pacific for the last two weeks is the demonstration of the preparedness of the American military establishment for service and its capacity to serve when needed. In this instance the performance of the navy was particularly brilliant. Within one week from the time that the United States began preparing for armed conflict, we had 17 war vessels in Vera Cruz harbor mounting 249 guns and carrying 9,000 men. The city had been captured and 5,000 men were ashore, fighting when and where necessary. Another week saw a force of infantry there and yesterday it, too, was landed just nine days from the time the city fell into the hands of Admiral Fletcher.

Not only did the navy demonstrate its mobility, but its officers and men exhibited the fact that they can fight on land as well as sea. Most of Admiral Fletcher's work was that of a Brigadier-General, and the men did the work of infantrymen and artillery men, and they did the work they were called upon to do well.

All of which is not only satisfying to National pride, but it creates a sense of confident security that is worth a great deal.

The circumstances that Mexico does not appreciate the decent and kindly treatment that the United States has shown that country is no reason why we should proceed to prove to them that we are what they think we are instead of the decent sort of folk that we claim to be.

The Hearst-McLean cabal is accused by the Washington Herald of trying to prove that Wilson pulled off the Mexican fleet movement to save the free-tolls repeal. This is only one of the things that have contributed to the popularity of the repeal bill.

## WEATHER REPORT FOR APRIL, 1914

U. S. Department of Agriculture, Weather Bureau, Co-Operative Observer's Record, Month of April, 1914. Station, Juneau, Alaska.

	Maximum	Minimum	Cloudy, Partly Cloudy, Clear, Rain or Snow	Rainfall inches
April 1	42	32	Clear	
April 2	45	29	Clear	
April 3	53	37	Clear	
April 4	54	36	Clear	
April 5	54	44	Cloudy-Rain	.03
April 6	51	37	Partly Cloudy	
April 7	54	31	Clear	
April 8	55	29	Clear	
April 9	57	32	Clear	
April 10	57	34	Clear	
April 11	62	42	Cloudy-Rain	.18
April 12	44	29	Cloudy-Rain	.30
April 13	47	36	Cloudy-Rain	.02
April 14	48	38	Cloudy-Rain	.16
April 15	44	34	Cloudy-Rain	.35
April 16	42	32	Cloudy-Rain and Snow	.03
April 17	44	32	Cloudy-Rain	.02
April 18	42	32	Cloudy-Rain	.77
April 19	48	30	Partly Cloudy-Rain	.12
April 20	48	25	Clear	
April 21	42	35	Cloudy-Rain	.49
April 22	46	34	Cloudy-Rain	.40
April 23	47	34	Cloudy-Rain	.37
April 24	51	36	Clear	
April 25	58	39	Clear	
April 26	61	38	Clear	
April 27	60	38	Cloudy-Rain	.28
April 28	46	35	Cloudy-Rain	.58
April 29	46	35	Cloudy-Rain	.80
April 30	46	42	Cloudy-Rain	.57
Sum.	1515.	1048.		5.47
Mean.	50.5	34.9		.18
Daily Mean.	42.7			

Maximum temperature 67°, April 9 and 10, 1914. There were 16 cloudy days, 2 partly cloudy days, 12 clear days, and 17 rainy or snowy days. Total rainfall, 5.47 inches. Greatest in 24 hours, .80 inch, April 29, 1914. C. R. REID, Observer.

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6:30 a. m.	7:10 a. m.	7:15 a. m.	Lvs. Sheep Creek for Treadwell, Douglas, Juneau	Leaves Douglas for Sheep Creek
8:00 a. m.	8:25 a. m.	8:30 a. m.		
9:00 a. m.	9:25 a. m.	9:30 a. m.		
11:00 a. m.	11:25 a. m.	11:30 a. m.	7:00 a. m.	6:45 a. m.
1:00 p. m.	1:40 p. m.	1:45 p. m.	1:30 p. m.	1:15 p. m.
3:00 p. m.	3:25 p. m.	3:30 p. m.	5:30 p. m.	5:15 p. m.
5:00 p. m.	5:40 p. m.	5:45 p. m.		
6:30 p. m.	6:55 p. m.	7:00 p. m.	Lvs. Juneau for Sheep Creek	Lvs. Treadwell for Sheep Creek
8:00 p. m.	8:25 p. m.	8:30 p. m.	6:30 a. m.	6:50 a. m.
9:30 p. m.	9:55 p. m.	10:00 p. m.	1:00 p. m.	1:20 p. m.
11:00 p. m.	11:25 p. m.	11:30 p. m.	5:00 p. m.	5:20 p. m.

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