

# WHAT AMERICAN SOLDIERS ARE DOING ON THE BORDER

**T**HE "war game" on the Mexican border is now in full swing. At Camp Sam Houston, near San Antonio, and at the other camps along the border drills and maneuvers are the order of the day. One of the first tasks was the licking into shape of the "raw" soldiers, approximately 1,000 of whom reported for duty. Another preliminary was the hardening of the American regulars for field service. General Carter issued orders that the recruits were to have immediate instruction in target practice, and the brigadier generals commanding brigades were instructed to see to it that their commands were "in every way prepared for the field."

A provost guard to see to the proper department of the troops has been organized and has orders to assist the San Antonio police whenever necessary in preserving order among the soldiers.

A squadron of the Fourth cavalry has been summoned by General Carter to do patrol duty at Camp Sam Houston. General Carter is not taking any chances on a repetition of the affair that occurred in Galveston recently, when some of the soldiers assembled there started trouble.

There are about 15,000 men with money in their pockets swarming in

ment is made plain in the treatment it promises the American prisoners, though probably under a strict construction of the suspension act they are amenable to the short and sharp rigors of the Roman law.

Meanwhile it is unofficially stated that with the American army along the frontier, shutting off the insurgent source of supplies, General Diaz will make a great effort to stamp the insurrection out. So far he has been unable to concentrate any large force upon Chihuahua because of the danger in other quarters. The need of a personal bodyguard for the aged president also held several thousand troops idle in the City of Mexico, while the rebellion in Yucatan and other widely scattered points has kept the army from mobilizing.

It is not believed, however, that General Diaz's move against the insurgents will mean any overwhelming increase in the regular force now in Chihuahua and Sonora, though the expectation has been expressed all along that once the American contraband ceased to enter the country the federals would not be long in straggling the uprising.

None of the officers of the various state militias who are to join the army in Texas for the purpose of receiving instructions in military maneuvers are

## TO PHOTOGRAPH IDEAS.

**Workings of the Brain Can Be Pictured, Asserts Eminent Psychologist.**

That photographs of human thoughts, pictures of the ideas that pass through the brain and are later expressed in words, may be taken on dry plates or films, developed and kept as records of mental processes constitute the latest wonder of science, for which a wide and startling usefulness is predicted by Dr. Max Baff, eminent psychologist of Clark college, Worcester, Mass.

"We hear that such experiments have brought surprising results when carried on by Japanese savants," says Dr. Baff, "and it seems to me that the next thing is for us to go into the matter in this country."

"As a method of taking such thought photographs a capital way would be to expose the film in a vacuum tank and have the subjects whose thoughts are to be photographed placed near the tank, even with their heads against it. To develop the film roll after it had been unwound in darkness with a pair of subjects thinking on a given subject while it was being unwound would show extremely interesting results. It is a matter for close investigation and should be taken up in a long series of carefully conducted experiments."

## ASKS \$15,000 FOR KISSES.

**Mancuree Who Sues Salesman Also Alleges That He "Mussed Her Up."**

Miss Nellie Etheridge, who owns a manicuring establishment in Kansas City, has filed suit against Charles R. Decker, in which she asks \$15,000 damages. Miss Etheridge complains that Decker forcibly kissed her and "mussed her up."

Miss Etheridge values four kisses at \$2,500 apiece, and the \$5,000 balance is for what she described as the "roughing" Mr. Decker gave her in the process. This "roughing" consisted in bending her across the arm of a chair with such force as to burst her corset and forcing her chin up with his elbow. Miss Etheridge says she was under a physician's care ten days, suffering from strained muscles and nervous shock.

## He Beat Her.

A woman said to the railway station ticket agent angrily:

"Look here, sir, I've been standing before this window twenty-five minutes!"

The agent, a gray, withered little man, answered gently:

"Ah, madam, I've been standing behind it twenty-five years."

## Evolution.

Brown—Do you believe in the theory of evolution? Black—Sure thing. For six years a young fellow named Jones has been calling on my daughter, and today she became Mrs. Jones.—Judge

## CARRIED 13 ON ONE TICKET.

**Conductor Objected, but Mother Showed Family Bible.**

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Scott of Highland, Kan., are seeking a home in Oklahoma. The Scotts have been married not quite ten years and are the parents of nineteen children, thirteen of them living, all boys under five.

Recently when Mrs. Scott and her thirteen children boarded a train with only one first class passenger ticket the conductor protested.

"Madam, you cannot carry a whole Sunday school along with you on that one ticket," he said, "and you need not tell me these are all yours."

Mrs. Scott dug down into her valise and brought out the family Bible, in which were recorded the names and ages of each of the children. The conductor had to give in.

The ages of the Scott children are: Triplets, four and one-half years; twins, three and one-half years; triplets, two and one-half years; triplets, eighteen months; twins, six months.

## UNWRITTEN LAW UPHELD.

**Vermont Judge Refuses to Hold Girl Who Slew Assailant.**

Judge F. G. Sinneron of the municipal court of Poultny, Vt., refused to entertain a charge of murder against Carmela Corino, a young girl, who admitted shooting to death forty-five-year-old Luigi Vermillo in defense of her honor.

The judge at the conclusion of a five hour hearing declined to hold her for trial.

Vermillo, who had a wife and five children in Europe, was a boarder in the home of the girl's father. Carmela is in her teens.

"What is this charge against me?" the girl said. "In my country I'd have the right to shoot a man who insulted me. America is more free than Italy, they say. Well, this man attacked me, so why could I not shoot him? He insulted me, and I shot him."

## Examine Students For Hookworm.

Students at Wofford college at Spartanburg, S. C., who do not pass their examinations will get a medical examination by experts on the hookworm in order that it may be determined whether or not they are suffering from that disease. This plan was decided on by the faculty after a lecture by Dr. J. L. Ward, a member of the Rockefeller commission for the eradication of the hookworm. Dr. Ward declared that the dullness displayed by many Wofford students was not necessarily due to mental inefficiency. He said that students suffering from hookworm could not be expected to do well in their studies.

Prejudice, which sees what it pleases, cannot see what is plain.—Aubrey de Vere.

## AFTER MOTORBOAT TROPHY.

**Two English Challenges For Cup Won by the Dixie III.**

The next holder of the British international motorboat trophy, now held in this country, will be decided by races in Huntington harbor, New York, Aug. 24, 25 and 26. This announcement was made recently by Secretary Morley of the Motorboat Club of America shortly after he had received through the mails the formal challenges of the Royal Motor Yacht Club of England and the British Motorboat club for the trophy. Acceptances of the challenges have been forwarded to England.

It is expected that not less than three boats will be built here to defend the trophy won last summer by the Dixie III. At least two fast craft, one of them possibly a new boat built by the Duke of Westminster, are expected to be sent here to compete for the international honor.

**London's Big Marathon on May 27.**

London's big Marathon race will start within the grounds of Windsor castle at the exact spot where the last Olympic Marathon was started in which Johnny Hayes won so glorious a victory. The race will be run May 27. The present holder of the Sporting Life trophy is H. F. Barrett of the Polytechnic Harriers of England. The race was declared off last year because of King Edward's death. Several United States and a Canadian runner are to take part this year.

**Boston Schools Abolish Basketball.**

Boston high schools have abolished basketball. The referee calls so many fouls under the new rules that it makes the game uninteresting.

**The Tank.**

Friend (to confirmed toper)—I don't see how you can drink so much. It's shocking. Toper—It shocks me too. It surprises me. I suppose it's just luck."

To give awkwardly is churlishness. The most difficult part is to give. Then why not add a smile?—La Bruyere.

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AT THE FRONT—THE FOURTH CAVALRY AT FORT BLISS, NEAR EL PASO.

the questionable San Pedro district of San Antonio on the night of pay day. Mexicans and negroes live beyond the little irrigation ditch which bounds San Antonio's red light quadrangle, and every opportunity offers for some soldier with his pay liquidated to start something. Up to the present there have been few arrests of soldiers, and the provost guard, composed of men of the Twenty-second Infantry, who know the town, has had little work on its hands.

The Fourth cavalry has been in camp at Fort Bliss, near El Paso, where the remainder of it outside of the squadron in question will doubtless remain. From there it has been doing patrol duty along the border.

**Americans Well Treated.**

While the suspension of the constitutional guarantees in Mexico amount to the proclamation of a mild sort of martial law, under which offenses of a certain sort are punishable by death after a very abbreviated trial at the scene of capture, the United States government is taking steps to insure not only the fair trial of Americans already captured by the Mexican federals, but to see to it that these prisoners are treated according to civilized methods.

The truth of the matter seems to be that the two factions in Mexico are vying with each other in their efforts not to antagonize the United States. Every report of the capture of a town by the insurgents is accompanied by the official statement that the lives and property of foreigners, especially Americans, have been scrupulously guarded. The attitude of the federal govern-

to report to the instruction camps before April 1. It was announced at the war department that the adjutant generals of the state militias will not be eligible to take part in the instructions and that none of the other officers will remain. Each officer from the militia will be attached to an officer of corresponding grade and from the same arm of the regular service.

**Every Soldier His Own Doctor.**

The medical supply depot of the army in New York has forwarded to San Antonio and Galveston 40,000 special emergency medical kits for the individual use of the soldiers independently of the medical staff in the field. One of these kits will be issued to every man, and each bears explicit instructions as to its use.

They are small and compact and contain medicines, absorbent cotton for the treatment of wounds, court plaster, surgical plasters and bandages. It is realized that the medical staff, in the event of an army epidemic, would be wholly inadequate to cope with the situation, and the emergency kits are provided for such a contingency.

The opinion is growing in all quarters that the only purpose of sending the American troops to the border was for the purposes of drill and field maneuvers, as stated by President Taft, and for police and patrol duty in preventing American aid from crossing the line to support the insurgents. If this proves to be the only object the mobilization will yet be worth while, as it will prove an immense help to the discipline of the army.

**India Has Aerial Mail.**

Many letters in the Indian mail received recently at London bear the postmark, "First aerial post, Allahabad, 1911." Special mail was carried by aeroplane from the United Provinces exhibition, on the outskirts of Allahabad, to the general postoffice in that city and then forwarded in the usual way. In future times when the aerial mail becomes as common as the telegraph this first aerial post may become one of history's milestones.

**Clark Sends Seeds to Widows.**

Champ Clark, the new speaker of the house, has sent a consignment of garden seeds to be distributed by his friends, especially among the widows of his home district. He adds that the names of the widows are not on his mailing list and also states that the packages can be remailed without postage, as his frank will carry them to the widows free. It is understood that the new speaker is doing this with the approval of his better half.



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There must be something you don't like.  
Kick about it. What god is an editor anyway except to fix up the kicks of his readers?  
Relieve your mind and get a prize!  
**KICK! KICK! KICK!**

A few suggested subjects at which to kick! The weather, of course. Tight fitting shoes. The high cost of living. The hobble skirt and the Harem trousers. High hats on week days. Suffragism, etc., etc., etc. The tannier the better.

Several people have asked us if the fifty-word letters containing kicks have to be signed. How else will we know to whom to award the prizes? Whether in the event of the letter winning a prize and being published, the name of the kicker would appear is another question. Undoubtedly the writer's wishes would be followed on that score. Our idea of the "Kick Contest" includes everything except direct and offensive personalities. Sit right down now and dash off fifty words about anything you don't like and want to register a kick against. It won't take you five minutes and you may win a prize. The more original the subject the better chance for a prize. One dollar for less than five minutes work is pretty good pay. Of course you can make your kick as short as you wish. A clever fifteen-word kick may win a prize over a full-length fifty-word one. The shorter the better.

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