

their bands back to Camp Thomas, but they became alarmed and fled to the Chiricahua, 74 of whom left the reserve, and, crossing the Mexican border, took refuge with the late Victorio's band in Chihuahua.

In the same year Nana made one of his bloody raids across the line, and in September Juh and Nahchi, with a party of Chiricahua, again fled from the reservation, and were forced by the troops into Mexico, where, in April 1882, they were joined by Geronimo and the rest of the hostile Chiricahua of San Carlos, with Loco and his Ojo Caliente band.

The depredations committed in northern Chihuahua under Geronimo and other leaders were perhaps even more serious than those within the limits of the U.S. In March 1883, Chato with 26 followers made a dash into New Mexico, murdering a dozen persons. Meanwhile the white settlers on the upper Gila consumed so much of the water of that stream as to threaten the Indian crops, then coal was discovered on the reservation, ~~with~~ which brought an influx of miners, and an investigation by the Federal grand jury of Arizona on October 24, 1882, charged the mismanagement of Indian affairs on San Carlos reservation to local civil authorities.

General ~~Smith~~ G. H. Crook, having been reassigned to the command, in 1882 induced about 1500 of the hostiles to the reservation and subsist by their own exertions. The others, about 3/4 of the tribe, refused to settle down to reservation life and repeatedly went on the warpath; when promptly followed by Crook they <sup>would</sup> ~~did~~/surrender and agree to peace, but would soon break their promises. To this officer had been assigned the task of bringing the raiding Apache to terms in cooperation with the Mexican troops of Sonora and Chihuahua.

In May 1883, Crook crossed the boundary to the headwaters of the Rio Yaqui with 50 troops and 63 Apache scouts; on the 13th the camp of Chato and Bonito was discovered and attacked with some loss to the Indians. Through two captives employed as emissaries, communication was soon had with the others, and by May 29<sup>th</sup>