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THE BELEN NEWS

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FINAL REPORT OF GRAND JURY

Investigate Twenty Cases before making
Final Report last Monday
morning

The Valencia county grand jury Monday submitted a report covering the February session, to Judge M. C. Mechem. The report shows that the grand jury found fourteen true bills and six no-bills. The financial condition of the county, as shown by the treasurer's books, is included as a part of the report, which in full is as follows:

In the District Court of the Seventh Judicial District, within and for the County of Valencia, State of New Mexico.

To the Honorable Merritt C. Mechem, Judge of said Court:

We, the grand jury empaneled at the present special February term of the district court within and for the county of Valencia, respectfully submit this our final report:

We have been in session seven days, one of which was a legal holiday, necessitating our remaining in session one day longer than would otherwise have been necessary, during which time we have carefully and diligently examined into all matters brought to our attention. We have examined sixty-eight witnesses, and have made return of fourteen true bills and six no bills. We have investigated a number of matters which did not come up to us through the regular channel of the precinct courts, as to which matters except where indictments were returned, we found it unnecessary to make any report.

We wish to extend thanks to the honorable court and to the court and county officials for their uniform courtesies which enabled us to dispatch our business and we wish to highly commend the efficiency displayed by our district attorney, Mr. John E. Griffith in all matters submitted to us for our consideration.

We congratulate the people of the county upon the action of the county commissioners in erecting a new and sanitary court house and jail, of which the county is in urgent need, and which when completed will greatly reduce the cost of maintenance of prisoners within this county.

We examined the county clerk's, sheriff's and treasurer's offices and found them in the best condition possible, considering their cramped temporary quarters, and we have examined the records and found them neatly kept and correct so far as we have been able to learn.

We received from the county treasurer a financial statement of the affairs of the county, which will speak for itself, a copy thereof being as follows:

Statement of the funds of Valencia county, on February 1st, 1913, as shown by the treasurer's books:

General county fund	\$11,555.24
Court fund	14,867.96
Interest fund	9,494.75
General school fund	3,654.61
Special bridge (Camino Real) fund	521.87
Road and bridge fund	6,687.65
Wild animal bounty fund	271.16
Court house and jail fund	34,094.14
Institute fund	59.89

Precinct road tax	77.75
Commissions due assessors	240.21
Miscellaneous fees	5,492.11
Bridge repair fund	35.76
Index fund	4.22
Rio Grande improvement	.22
Bond exchange acc't	167.72
Due to the state	344.28
School district funds	37,343.35
Total	\$124,912.86

And, having completed our duties, we respectfully ask to be discharged.

Abel Vigil,
Casimiro Barela, Foreman.
Secretary.

Testing Seeds

Some time ago, P. P. Simmons of the John Becker Company, planted some wheat, which he desired to test as to germinating powers. He now has a fine stand of the green sprouts, which proves the kernels to be full of life. This particular wheat, known as Minnesota Spring Wheat, was grown across the mountains in Torrance county last year, and a number of the farmers in the vicinity of Belen have secured seed for this season.

The testing of seeds of all kinds is being practiced more and more among progressive farmers to show the per cent. of germination, and that which shows poor vitality is discarded as unfit for planting. A little trouble in this way will often prevent a poor stand later on in the season, and its consequences of re-seeding of the ground.

SCHOOL NOTES

This week closes the sixth month of school of this term.

Miss Sturdevant spent last Saturday and Sunday with her parents at Albuquerque.

Mrs. A. B. Brown visited the schools Wednesday morning. We are always glad to have visitors. Elmer Dils has returned to school after several days absence, having been confined at home by the mumps.

Prof. J. B. Gunter is considering a position with the New Mexico Normal School, located at Silver City for the coming summer.

Miss Sarah Baca is planning to give Spanish lessons to a few of the pupils after school. She expects to organize the class as soon as the necessary books arrive.

Miss Olive Duer, kindergarten teacher, is confined to her room with the mumps this week. Miss Velma Pederson is doing substitute work for her during her absence.

Dan McGraff has gone to Las Vegas, where he has accepted a position as brakeman on the Santa Fe.

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PROGRAM OF TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

The Valencia County Teachers Association will hold its regular spring meeting at the Public Schoolhouse in Belen, on Saturday, April 5th, commencing at 10 o'clock, the program continuing both morning and afternoon. It is hoped that not only will all the teachers of the county, attend as far as possible, but that patrons of the schools, will show their interest in the work of the schools by their presence and help in the discussion of the subjects under consideration. The committee in charge has arranged the following

PROGRAM

10 a. m., Saturday, April 5th.
Song, "America."
Roll Call. Responded to with Quotations.
Welcome Address, Saturnino Baca, County Superintendent of schools
Response, Frank Sanchez, President of the Association
Inspection of Belen School Exhibits
NOON
Resume at 1:30 p. m.
"Practical Inspirations," Miss Mamie Sawyer
"Present Necessities in Education in Valencia County," Saturnino Baca
"The Key to Good Discipline," Miss E. Ruth Ziegler
"Some Problems in the Country School," Miss Raff
Discussion led by Lillian Pohl
"Errors in Teaching Arithmetic," Prof. J. B. Gunter
"Preparation for the First Day of School," Miss Katherine Keenen
"Preparation for the Last Day of School," Miss Alicia Sanchez
"The Relation of the County Newspaper to the Public Schools," P. A. Speckmann

SALARY BILL PASSED BY LEGISLATURE

Valencia County will Pay
her Officers about \$20,000
Dollars

The county officers salary bill was passed by the House of Representatives on Monday of this week after having been amended in the senate and passed by that body. The salaries provided are quite liberal, especially in counties of the higher classes. Treasurers, Assessors and Clerks in counties of the first class are given the neat sums of four thousand dollars each. In the other classes of counties, while not so large, the salaries are in most instances, sufficiently large to cause the taxpayer to wonder where he will get off.

In the classification of the counties, Valencia county is rated as a third class county, and the salaries fixed as follows:

County commissioners,	\$400 each,	\$1200
Treasurer & Collector,		2500
Assessor,		2500
Sheriff,		2000
Deputy sheriffs,		1000
Additional deputy sheriff		1200
County Clerk,		2500
Probate Judge,		400
School Superintendent		1500
County Surveyor,		750
District Clerk,		800
County Jailor,		400
Total,		\$16,750

Besides these salaries, the bill as passed provides for the traveling expenses of the sheriff and deputies, the county commissioners and probate judge, when in the actual performance of their duties as county officers, and the feeding of the county prisoners, which will bring the total expense to about \$20,000 per year.

The section of the bill providing for the salary fund, provides first that all fees, mileage and per diem as would have been collected under the territorial form of government, shall be collected by the various county officers and paid over by them to the county treasurer, who shall thus create a "Salary Fund." In addition to these fees the treasurer is authorized to convert into this fund

CRUSHED BETWEEN BOX CARS

Misunderstanding of Signals
Cause of Injury to two
of Wrecking Crew

While working with the wrecking crew last Saturday night at Socorro, re-railing several freight cars, Henry Craig and J. R. McMichael were injured, the latter rather seriously. It appears that the men had been sent back to couple up, and without a word of warning to them, the signal was given for the engineer to back up. As the train moved backward, both Craig and McMichael were caught between the cars and crushed.

The injured men were rushed to the emergency hospital at St. Joseph's Hospital in Albuquerque, where they were given treatment. Craig is resting easily and apparently is without internal injuries. McMichael is not gaining as rapidly as his friends would wish, and it is feared that his injuries may be more serious. Both men are popular among Belen people, who sincerely hope for their speedy recovery.

Miss Virginia Simmons, who is in Albuquerque a student at the Albuquerque Business College, has been confined to her room by an attack of mumps. She is again able to attend her classes, however.

eight per cent. of all taxes and licenses collected. Then should the fund not be sufficient to cover the salaries, the amount is to be taken from the general county fund.

Taking the maximum assessed valuation of the third class county as a basis, exclusive of the fees earned by the various officials, a levy of eight mills would be necessary to create a fund sufficiently large to pay the county salaries.

The bill is now before the governor for his approval, and the outcome is being watched by the common geezer, who foots the bill in paying his taxes.

GRAND JURY FINDS 14 INDICTMENTS

Four of which are for Murder and two
Charging assault with Intent to
murder

Indictments have been returned against the following:

Paul Hubbard, negro, charged with the murder of Gabino Val-linueva at Belen.

Jose Maria Montoya, charged with a statutory assault upon his sister-in-law.

Profacio Mares, Eligio Chavez, Celso New and Benito Aragon, charged with assault with intent to murder Padlo Baca at San Rafael.

Juan Hernandez, charged with murder of P. Sanchez near Blue-water several months ago.

Ben Wales, charged with having made an assault with intent to kill Salome Montoya, who lost a leg.

Hilario Ruiz, charged with the murder of F. Gadaldon at San Rafael last year.

Perfecto Sandoval, charged with unlawfully branding a steer. Jose Silva, charged with unlawfully drawing a deadly weapon.

Tomas Apodaca y Sanches, charged with carrying a deadly weapon. He entered a plea of guilty and was fined \$75 and costs.

Vicente Zamora, charged with assault with a deadly weapon. He pleaded guilty and the sentence was suspended.

Fidel Aragon, charged with assault with a deadly weapon.

Jose Montoya, charged with larceny of a steer.

Toribio Griego and Lionedes M. de Griego, charged with murder at San Rafael.

Jose Ramirez, charged with larceny of cattle.

Francisco Gabaldon, charged with permitting women to loiter in a saloon.

A number of other cases set for trial at the last term are on the calendar for trial at this term.

The case of Jose Baca y Rael against Julian Tafoya, involving title to a small tract of land near Belen, was tried by the court and judgment was rendered for the plaintiff.

In the matter of the receivership of the firm of John J. Curtis Jr., against William Fresenius, the court increased the bond of the receiver to \$2,000.

The sheriff of Valencia county at the opening of the special February term had fifteen men on his Jail list a thing extraordinary in Valencia county. The railroad construction work in the county may account for the increase.

At the session of the court Saturday District Attorney John E. Griffith called the courts attention to the death of Felix H. Lester, one of the active practitioners in the district, and Judge M. C. Mechem appointed a committee of District Attorney Griffith, Antonio Sedillo and H. P. Owen to frame a memorial for the permanent court records.

WITH THE CHURCHES

METHODIST CHURCH NOTES.

Order of services: Sunday school, 10 a. m., P. P. Simmons, superintendent. Preaching services, 11 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. Epworth League, 7 p. m. R. R. Yelland, pastor. Residence, south of the church.

All regular services Sunday. The subject of the morning sermon will be "The Christian's Confidence."

The Epworth League Devotional service at 7 p. m. will be conducted by Mrs. Yelland, subject, "The Labors of Jesus."

On Tuesday evening, March 6th, there will be a social and business meeting of the Epworth League at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. P. Simmons. All Leaguers are invited to come and bring their friends for a social evening.

ZION CHURCH.

Evangelical Lutheran

John A. M. Ziegler, D. D., pastor, Max Dalles, Sunday school superintendent. Preaching service 11 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. Sunday school, 10 a. m. Luther League, 7 p. m. Confirmation class, Friday, 7 p. m. Choir rehearsal Friday 8 p. m.

Regular services, with preaching by the pastor, morning and evening. Subject of morning sermon, "Our Little Multiplied." In the evening the church and school will celebrate the centenary of David Livingstone. There will be a unique representation of Lutheran forces in India and Africa, participated in by children and adult members. A generous offering is anticipated for the splendid work the church is doing on the west coast of Africa.

There are seventeen members enrolled in the Bible Class. Fourteen were in attendance last Sunday. Several of the other classes have also increased in membership since the first of the year. The Confirmation class has sixteen members enrolled. Quite a number of them will be confirmed at Easter.

The Ladies Aid Society will meet with Mrs. John Becker Jr., on Thursday afternoon, March sixth.

Episcopal Church Notes

The Rev. Percy Silver, a noted missionary and splendid orator from Topeka, Kansas, will accompany Dr. Warren to Belen on Saturday. There will be an evening service on that day at eight o'clock. It will be a treat to Belen people to hear him and it is hoped that all Christians who care to will attend. Miss Sturdevant and Mrs. Fischer will aid in the music.

There will be no Sunday evening service. Sunday School as usual at 11 a. m. The hour for Bible Class will be determined later.

St Phillips Guild met at the home of Mrs. Cotton on Tuesday last, Mrs. Morrisette being hostess. The next meeting will be a strictly "work meeting" and will be held at Mrs. Abell's.

Great preparations for the White Sale are being made.

Read the Belen News.

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Some men are born great, some
achieve greatness, and some man-
age to put up a successful bluff.

Some men are no account and
don't know it, while others are no
account and don't care a conti-
nental.

Why should a county officer get
so much more salary than he could
command before he became a coun-
ty officer?—Springer Stockman.

Why don't you ask something
easy?

A good many men are hunting
for work one place or another in
this wide world, but the fact re-
mains that it is easier to get a job
than to hold it. The crying need
of the hour today in all lines of
human endeavor is men who can
do things.

There appears to be only one
knocker in Raton. The vote on
the County High School to be lo-
cated at the Gate City received
1300 votes in its favor and one
against it, in that city. Anyone
who would vote against the estab-
lishing of such an institution in
his own city is either ignorant of
what he is doing or a plain every-
day knocker.

The constitution of the state
says that all appropriation bills
shall originate in the house. We
were fearful that honorable body
had ignominiously ignored one of
its prerogatives until we run over
the bills introduced during the
first half of the session and dis-
covered that some \$600,000 had
been appropriated for bridges
across the New Mexico streams.
We are delighted to know the con-
stitution is clearly understood by
the members of our legislature.—
Alamogordo News-Advertiser.

What's the matter Downs,
haven't you a stream near Alamo
which you could bridge? If not
why not try bridging the pond,
so the swans may cross dry-shod?

"What is a dollar, anyhow?"
The question is a very easy one
to answer. A dollar is what some
men promise to pay for their
newspaper. It is something a
newspaper man enjoys more in
anticipation than in reality. It
is almost the price of a day's work
for some men and a single hour's
drink for others. It is what a
great many wives frequently
need but seldom have. It is the
power that makes or unmakes
men. It is the hardest thing
known to mankind to get, and
the easiest thing to get rid of. It
is a blessing in a small measure
and a curse in many instances.
It seems to be very scarce, and
no man ever had more than he
wanted. A dollar is a snare and
a delusion, and every one of us is
chasing the delusion.—Ex.

Still Drawing Salaries.

With high state officials muddy-
ing the water and the salary bill
lightly suspended in the ozone;
with the joker ruthlessly rescued
from the finance bill; with the
legal fence bill disposed without
honor upon the slab and the logg-

ing bill gasping for breath in the
committee room; with the house
passing some measures to tickle
its constituents and the senate
giving them a Lethan bath to
titillate its constituency and rail-
road legislation being mixed and
intermixed by the officials and
the representatives of the unions,
things move on at the legislative
assembly in what has been called
an even tenor—a sort of runic
rollic.—Alamogordo News-Ad-
vertiser.

The bill introduced in the state
legislature to abolish the Mounted
Police will have hard sledding in
getting through, and should it
once get through both houses,
which is very doubtful, will run
amuck with the people, who still
hold the whip hand. It is claimed
that these officers are to be done
away with in the interest of econ-
omy. Indeed it comes rather late
in the day to talk economy to the
taxpayers, when talking of doing
away with an office paying \$1,-
200 per year, just after having
provided for the payment to the
sheriffs of the counties of salaries
ranging from \$1600 to \$3500 per
year, and this in the face of the
fact that the Mounted Police have
each and everyone done more to
put down crime and run down
criminals than any sheriff in the
state. The Mounted Police are
in a position to do and have done
more efficient work than the
sheriffs. The former are not lo-
cal men and as a rule are not
working at home, as do the sheriffs.
The latter hold elective offices,
while the former are appointive
and are directly responsible to the
Governor, who may appoint and
remove practically at will. If
the lawmakers are in earnest in
regard to their song of economy,
it were better to abolish the
sheriffs and increase the number
of Mounted Police, as on the
average two of the latter would
draw no more salary than one of
the former. There seems to be
some other motive than economy
which calls for the abolishment
of the state officers, this time

Primary Elections for Post- masters

Primary elections for the selec-
tion of fourth class postmasters
are provided for in an amendment
to the postoffice appropriation
bill which the senate committee
on postoffices added to that meas-
ure. The consideration of the bill
was completed by the committee,
but on account of the necessity of
gathering information relating to
some of the changes, the bill was
withheld from the senate.

The amendment regarding
fourth class postmasters was
adopted as a result of a suggestion
by Senator Bristow of Kansas, al-
though his original provision was
much modified. As agreed upon
by the committee it will apply
only to fourth class offices and it
will be optional with the postoffice
department as to whether the
system shall be put into execution.
In that event it authorizes the
holding of primary elections and
when such elections are held it is
made obligatory upon the depart-
ment to appoint the person re-
ceiving the highest number of
votes among the Patrons of any
given postoffice.

The committee also passed favor-
ably upon an amendment re-
quiring re-weighing of mails in
September in order to arrive at a
basis for compensation to the rail-
roads for carrying the business
of the parcels post. Another
amendment repeals the much-
criticized blue tag law, which
gives the postmaster general dis-
cretion in delaying second class
mail matter.—The Eagle.

My idea of a good citizen, and
I'm glad to say we have many of
them here, is one always ready to
give, according to his means, to
community enterprises. He takes
stock in them all, and doesn't lose

faith if an occasional venture
proves bad. He helps his home
town by buying from merchants
who ask for his trade through his
local paper and ignores those who
haven't the slightest interest in
his town and therefore do not ask
for its trade. He is not afraid to
invest in real estate and is not
afraid to pay what it is worth.
He talks up his town at home and
abroad, thinks it is the healthiest
place on earth, believing it to be
destined to become the largest city
in its section and wants to be re-
minded here when he dies. And he is
worth a whole regiment of the
lukewarm kind.—Ex

The News is in receipt of a list
of the vacant school and institu-
tional lands in Valencia county,
which are subject to lease for
grazing or agricultural purposes.
The list is too long for publication
in full in these columns, but any-
one interested may see the origi-
nal on file in our office. Blank
applications for the leasing and
necessary information in regard
to the rental price may be had on
application to the Land Commis-
sioner at Santa Fe.

United States government will pro-
vide foot powder for the shoes of sol-
diers. Watch the powder bills in-
crease.

"How to treat an old man," is the
way one editor heads his advice. He
should include the cost of the said
treating.

"What is a cook worth?" asks the
Louisville Courier-Journal. It de-
pends on whether she is plentiful or
scarce.

An English aviator has been fined
for colliding with a cow. The cow
should have been fined for disorderly
conduct.

From a cursory reading of the crime
news one would hardly think that
there are only ten commandments to
be broken.

Washington amateurs are to try out
a minstrel performance in the govern-
ment hospital for the insane. Nutty
stunt, that.

Paris has produced a genius who
has invented a shoe that looks only
half its size. And the women shall call
him blessed.

Nicholas of Russia carries \$5,000-
000 in life insurance, but that doesn't
make him any more safe from the at-
tacks of nihilists.

Chicago has a pair of bandits—the
man holds you up, and the woman
goes through your pockets. It's a
safe bet she's married.

An eastern professor has discovered
red headed men seldom marry red
headed women. Probably each under-
stands the temper of the other.

A Philadelphian wants a divorce be-
cause his wife smokes ten cigars a
day. If he were a resident of Pitts-
burgh we could understand it better.

An easterner committed suicide be-
cause he had lost his appetite. The
jury probably found that he came to
his death through his own careles-
ness.

China is to kill certain habitual
smokers of opium and will fine others
with a maximum of \$2,000. This code
itself suggests the notions of a
smoker.

A La Crosse hen swallowed a \$200
ruby. It would pay some enterprising
butcher to purchase it, mix it with a
multitude of other hens, and auction
them off.

Ida Tarbell says married women
ought not to work for wages. Most
of them work for what they can get
skimming through the pockets of hub-
by's trousers.

Statistics show that Parisian
widows remarry within eighteen
months. They've nothing on us.
Eighteen minutes is the customary
lapse in Reno.

The department of agriculture says
that lightning may strike more than
once in the same place. Usually, how-
ever, in the political sense, one stroke
is amply sufficient.

Hoopskirts will be worn inside of
five years, according to one student
of the times. They will be, if the
women can only be convinced that
they are fashionable.

A self-illuminating car paint has
been devised whereby an automobile
may be spotted a mile away. At least,
it's possible to say "There she goes"
under such circumstances.

It has been proved conclusively that
a young woman can support life on
\$7.20 a week in Philadelphia. All
that now remains to be proved is
that life is worth supporting at that
figure.

Garretious Lady.
Tom Hood, on hearing the pithy of
a very loquacious lady spoken of,
said: "Yes, she is well known for her
magpiety."

Complimentary.
She—"Why do you wish to know my
age?" He—"I merely wish to know
at what age woman is really most fas-
cinating."—Life.

Greek Fire to Be Used Again.
To stop following hostile vessels or
even for purposes of attack when the
conditions are right a German naval
officer has invented a Greek fire that
will burn while floating on water.

Desire for Long Life.
There appears to exist a greater
desire to live long than to live well!
Measure by man's desires, he cannot
live long enough; measure by his
good deeds, and he has not lived long
enough; measure by his evil deeds,
and he has lived too long.

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A GEM OF NEW MEXICO LAW

Measure Introduced in State legislature is marvel of English Grammar.

We give space to the reproduction of House Bill No. 134, entitled "an act to authorize and require the sheriffs of the different counties in this state to employ Police Officers," etc., as it is certainly worthy of preservation either by means of the "Art Preservative" or some other "Preservative." Such Gems of English are met only semi-occasionally:

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of New Mexico:

Section 1. That the sheriffs of the different counties in this State, respectively, are hereby authorized and empowered to employ and appoint police officers, not to exceed two proper persons as police officers, in unincorporated towns which are county seats where the population of said towns is not less than fifteen hundred. Such persons so appointed must be resident citizens of such county, and shall be commissioned as deputy sheriffs, and they shall serve as police in the county seat of their respective counties. It shall be their duty to keep good order in the county seat of their county.

Sec. 2. That the said police officers when once appointed and qualified, as hereinafter provided, it shall be their duty to go around the town, wherein the said county seat is established, by day and night, to visit all public houses within said county seat, and especially dances. They shall take care that good order is kept. It shall be their duty to watch that the laws in regard to the carrying of deadly weapons are not violated, as also all other laws of the State.

Sec. 3. Whenever any police officer may observe or be informed that any of the laws of the State have been violated by any person or persons, it shall be his duty to arrest the offender and place him in the county jail, or under bonds, until an investigation is had of the offense, or shall he inform some justice of the peace of the county of the fact, whose duty it is hereby made to investigate the case, and if he finds the defendant guilty, and it is not within his jurisdiction to assess the punishment, he shall require him to enter into a sufficient bond to answer unto the charge at the following term of the district court, as now provided for by law in such cases; and further, he shall have to pay the costs caused in the investigation of the case, provided that in all cases where conviction is had and the prisoner has served his time in jail, and has not the means to pay the costs or fine, the costs shall be paid by the county.

Sec. 4. It is hereby made the duty of the said police to watch and see that the plaza and streets, within the said county seats, are kept clean, and no person shall be allowed to deposit or throw any filth or excrement in the same. Any person convicted before any justice of the peace of a violation of this section shall be fined in any sum not less than one nor more than ten dollars; Provided further, that no drunken or crazy person shall be allowed to run loose around the streets. It shall be the duty of the said police officer, upon meeting such, to take and place them in jail. If the person so arrested

be insane, he shall inform the county commissioners of the fact, who shall provide in the most proper manner as to what shall be done with such person, but if the person so arrested be drunk, upon conviction before a justice of the peace, he shall be fined not less than two nor more than ten dollars. It shall also be the duty of said police not to allow any minors to frequent any dances or public houses. They shall also watch that said minors do not go around the plaza or streets as vagrants, and upon meeting any who, by their way of acting, act in a suspicious manner, it shall be the duty of said police officer to inform himself if he is engaged in any occupation directed from the house of his parents, or guardian, and if the result be that said minor or minors are going around without being engaged in some honest occupation, it shall be the duty of said police to arrest said minor or minors, and upon informing the justice of the peace of any precinct in the county who shall investigate, and if it be the fault of said minor or minors, he shall require the father or guardian to in the future be more careful, but if the said father or guardians neglect for the second time the justice of the peace shall inform the probate judge of the fact so that he may appoint some suitable person to take the charge and custody of said minor or minors until it is otherwise provided. The costs on investigation of this nature shall be paid by the father or guardian of said minors.

Sec. 5. The said police officers shall receive as their compensation the sum of seventy-five dollars per month, and they are to be paid out of the funds of their respective counties by the Board of County Commissioners.

Sec. 6. Said members of said police, before entering upon the performance of their duties, shall each give a bond to the State of New Mexico, in the sum of five hundred dollars for the faithful

performance of their duties, and they shall take the oath of office. The said bond to be approved by the sheriff, and the sheriff shall provide the said police officers with sufficient arms and a stick of sufficient thickness, at the expense of the county; also a star which the said police shall wear upon the breast as a badge, and all other persons are prohibited from wearing one unless they are officers, subject to a fine of not less than ten nor more than twenty-five dollars.

Sec. 7. That it is necessary for the preservation of the public peace and safety of the inhabitants of the State of New Mexico that the provisions of this Act shall become effective at the earliest possible time, and therefore an emergency is hereby declared to exist, and this Act shall take effect and be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

These rare book swindlers are going to be rare birds.

As a popular pastime swimming is over for the present.

"Cheese Market Cornered."—Headline. Ought to raise a smell.

Feeding men on electricity seems a shocking innovation, doesn't it?

Football did its best, but it plays a sorry second to baseball in popularity.

"Quack" is the title of a new comedy. Probably all about human geese.

Under the newest ruling, some poets are born, and some are educated at West Point.

Berlin claims a talking cat. Wonder what serenades it selects for nightly rendition?

You may, if you wish, pick up your grouches where you dropped them. But it is not compulsory.

A Boston minister says that a couple can marry on \$15 a week. But it's a weak means to an end.

According to fashion experts next season's dresses will be devoid of curves. Sounds like a straight tip.

A lot of people do not recognize opportunity when they meet it because they expect it to look like luck.

The New York burglar who stole 10,000 nickels from a householder must be a movie fan of the worst sort.

Shot by a Rabbit. Cyril Newman, a schoolboy hunter, is dying in a Hackensack (N. J.) hospital from shotgun wounds received while rabbit shooting. He had placed his gun on the ground while he opened a trap containing a rabbit. He intended to shoot the captive as it ran away, but the rabbit gave a jump and landed on the trigger of the gun, discharging both barrels.

Pomp in the East. "I understand the king of Siam has a white elephant." "Yes, and it gave him great prestige until the king of Cambodia visited Europe. He brought back a second-hand taxicab."

Friendship. To contract ties of friendship with anyone is to contract friendship with his virtue.—Confucius.

Logic of Facts. "Dukfutz married an optimist." "Why do you think so?" "Any woman would be an optimist who accepted Dukfutz."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

Fault. Disagreeable people always must be exaggerated, it seems, until they occupy much more than their allotted space in the world.

Matter of Doubling. Oliver Wendell Holmes was a classmate of Doctor Clarke at Harvard, and according to the reminiscences of the latter, the Autocrat of the Breakfast Table was as witty then as later. One day the two were talking of metaphysics, when the bright-tongued little great man exclaimed, "I'll tell you, James, what I think metaphysics is like. It is like a man splitting a log. When it is done he has two more to split!"

Kind He Expected. "Why do you stand before this window for hours every day gazing at the wax figures?" "I am studying to be a concert singer. I am schooling myself to face an audience."

Flareback. "Had your diamonds stolen lately?" Inquired the cub reporter. "Engaged to any dukes?" "Kindly omit banalities," responded the stage favorite. "Actresses don't talk that kind of stuff nowadays. If I am to be interviewed, I shall discuss ethical questions only."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

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PERSONAL -- LOCAL Railroad Rumbblings

Paul B. Dalies was in Albuquerque the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Teague went to Albuquerque Monday evening to see their friend J. R. McMichael, who is in the hospital there.

John Becker, Jr., treasurer of the New Mexico Good Roads Association, went to Santa Fe the first of the week on business.

P. S. Torres has opened a general blacksmithing shop, opposite Scholle's store, where he is prepared to do all kinds of work in his line.

Brakeman Lindsey is making arrangements to erect a four room brick house just south of the Walton residence in the north part of town in the near future.

Milke O'Brien returned from Albuquerque Monday of this week, with five fine Holstein cows, which he purchased as a beginning of a dairy herd.

HOUSE-CLEANING TIME will soon be here. Let GOEBEL & SONS figure with you on those pretty Bungalow Nets and Draperies at from 25c to 12 1-2c a yard.—adv

An up-to-date system of gasoline lights has recently been installed in Hotel Belen, O. A. Benkendorf doing the work. This hostelry is keeping well in the front, in caring for its guests.

E. B. Ormsby returned from Topeka, Kansas, where he has been a patient in the Santa Fe hospital the past few weeks, having been mixed up in a freight wreck at Vaughn some time ago. He is planning a trip to Arkansas to spend a few weeks.

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. Mather who recently went from here to San Diego, California, have received word from them that they are enjoying themselves and that the health of Mrs. Mather is improving steadily, she having gained considerably in weight. This will be good news to their many friends here.

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ADOLPHE DIDIER
Belen, N. M.

Road Master McNeill, was in Belen Tuesday evening, leaving the same night for his home at Vaughn.

Superintendent McMahon passed through Belen on Tuesday night, in his private car, en route to Santa Fe, where he goes on legislative business.

B. E. Leary, Fuel Inspector arrived Tuesday night, leaving on Wednesday morning, after having looked after business matters here.

George W. Simms, traveling car clerk of the Santa Fe, was here Wednesday from his headquarters at San Bernardino, California.

Jesus Chavez, porter at the local Reading Rooms, is back on duty after a three days lay-off, during which time his place was taken by Seferino Esquivel.

Conductor Severns returned to Belen Wednesday after having been working in place of Conductor Finney in the Passenger Service for several trips.

Mrs. Barrow, a sister of Mrs. Branch, left for Houston, Texas, last Monday morning. She expects to return with her two children about the middle of April to remain a couple of months.

Fireman McDonald and Fred Forkner expect to leave for Roswell very soon. These are both splendid fellows and will be missed by Belen young people, especially those musically inclined, as both have taken active part in things musical.

Fireman C. S. Murphy, who was among those cut from the board at the recent reduction of force, will leave shortly for his claim near Willard. He expects to take advantage of the dull season, by making final proof on his homestead, and be ready for work again when business picks up on the road.

On Friday evening, March 7th, The Unity Concert & Dramatic Company of Chicago, will give an entertainment at the local Reading Rooms. The company is composed of Dr. Florence Atkinson, Mr. and Mrs. George Furrer, Miss Wynogene Fargher, Miss Madge Enslow, and Mr. Cedric Smith.

General Superintendent G. H. Starkweather, Mechanical Superintendent A. Dinan and Division Superintendent McMahon were in Belen Monday night, coming to meet General Manager Fox and Vice President Storey, in connection with matters pertaining to the recent reduction in forces owing to dull business on the road.

Henry Abel brought in a badger with him from his run on the Cut-off on Tuesday evening. It was one of the largest seen by those who viewed it, and caused quite a bit of talk. Henry claims it fought so hard, he was forced to kill it, but that he wanted to bring it in alive, so as to have the pleasure of witnessing a badger fight. An attempt is being made to get another for a fight. Mr. Abel will have the skin tanned as a souvenir.

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Chavez, Leonor, Care of Ygnacio Gabaldon.

Martinez, Filomeno

Pineda, Jose,

Rael, Seferino,

Stiles, W. R.

If unclaimed by March, 13, 1913, the above will be sent to the Dead Letter Office.

Why She Was Mad.

"Why is she mad?" "He told her she had an appetite like a bird." "Well, that was a compliment." "She had just been reading how birds eat their own weight in a day."

Things Worth While.

The things that are really worth while are not the goals of a struggle for existence, but those which can be partaken of by every one and not be exhausted.—Dr. John Grier Hibben.

Telephones in Theaters.

On the back of each seat of a new London theater there will be coin in the slot telephones to enable persons with defective hearing to listen to what is being said on the stage.

Enormous Flocks of Sheep.

Recent official figures placed the number of sheep in Australia and New Zealand in excess of 117,000,000, the greatest number in 18 years.

Reforming.

Too often reformers who are keen on converting the other half to cold, calm consideration of every act, go at reforms with the most heated frenzy.

Better Kind.

There is this in favor of the thoroughbred dog: Its owner is more likely to keep it shut up.—New York Mail.

Often Overlooked.

There is a difference between conversation and monologue that some gushers fail to grasp.—Atchison Globe.

Couldn't Take Prescription.

Physician—"You shall seek a higher altitude." Patient—"It always gets me dizzy to travel by airship."

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No. 1817

In the District Court of the Seventh Judicial District of the State of New Mexico, in and for the County of Valencia.

Frank R. Coe, Plaintiff,

vs.

The unknown heirs of Diego Torres de Salazar, Pedro Vigil, Miguel Salazar, Juana Teresa Romero, Luzarda Romero, Juan Antonio Salazar, Miguel Salazar, Pablo Salazar, Nicolas Salazar, Manuel Antonio Trujillo, Maria Torres, Salvadore Torres, Jose Antonio Torres, Tadeo Torres, Cayetano Cristobal Torres, Diego Torres, Bartolome Romero, Gabriel Romero, Maria Vigil, Jose Trujillo, Francisco Martin, Francisco Martiliano, Ygnacio Barrera, Juan Domingo Torres, Jose Romero, Jose Tenorio, Juan Jose de Sandoval, Francisco Trujillo, Franco Hiron, Cristoval Naranjo, Jose Antonio Naranjo, Bartholomew Torres, Pedro Romero. And all unknown claimants of interest adverse to said plaintiff, Defendants.

The said defendants are hereby notified that a suit has been commenced against them in the said district court by Frank R. Coe, the plaintiff, to quiet his title to the following described tracts of land, to-wit: First, a piece of land within the Belen Grant, being a portion of the said grant held in common, containing ten thousand [10,000] acres, Nineteen hundred and ninety-one [1901] feet wide on the east side, along the eastern boundary of the said Belen Grant; thirty-eight thousand and fifteen [38,015] feet long on the south side along the public road, one hundred [100] feet wide north of and adjoining the right of way of the Eastern Railway of New Mexico, and the west side at right angles with the said right of way; and, second, a piece of land within the Belen Grant, being a portion of the said grant held in common, south of the Eastern Railway of New Mexico, and south of the hereinbefore described piece of land containing ten thousand [10,000] acres devoted by the Board of Trustees of the Town of Belen Land Grant to the plaintiff herein on September 2nd, 1911, and of the same width from east to west as said ten thousand [10,000] acre tract, bounded on the east by the eastern boundary of the Belen Grant, on the north by the Eastern Railway of New Mexico, on the south by the bank of the Canada, and on the west by the prolongation of the west line of the said ten thousand [10,000] acre tract, situate in the counties of Valencia and Socorro, State of New Mexico; and defendants are further hereby notified that unless they enter their appearance in the said suit on or before the 12th day of April, 1913, judgment by default will be entered therein against them. That the names and postoffice address of attorneys for plaintiff are: Max Venable and Summers Burkhardt, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

JESUS M. LUNA,

County Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk of the District Court.

By W. J. Newcomb, Deputy.

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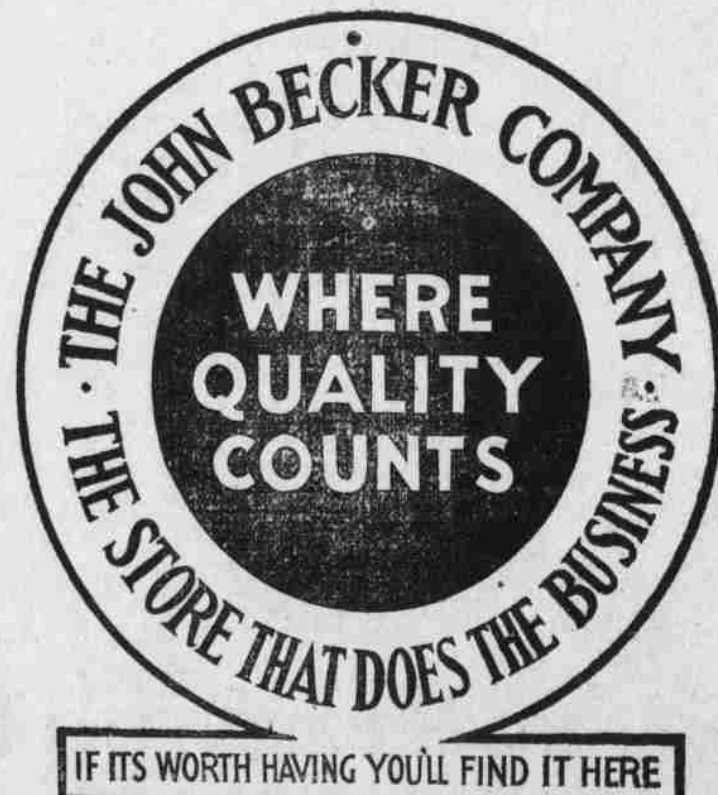
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