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HORRIBLE TRAGEDY AT SANTA FE FOLLOWED BY LYNCHING

One of the most terrible crimes in the annals of the City of Santa Fe was committed, when Adolfo Padilla killed his beautiful 18-year old wife, Refugio Blea de Padilla, Saturday night.

The murderer killed a dog first, and then hiding behind the stove in the kitchen, waited until his wife came in, then a struggle took place, in which he slashed her throat several times and cut her arms inflicting several wounds when she was trying to defend herself.

Her screams attracted the attention of her relatives and Maria Sena, a neighbor, entered the room at the time when he was upon the body, and to the question of "what are you doing?" he replied: "I am finishing the job of killing this"

Maria Sena then went to the house of Jose D. Sena and telephoned the police. Marshal Nicolas Sena arrived at the scene of the killing and arrested Adolfo, who had taken refuge in the house of Francisco Gutierrez, a neighbor.

The kitchen where the crime was committed was literally covered with blood on the floor and walls had hand prints of the deceased that could be seen all over.

It had been arranged to give him a preliminary hearing on Wednesday morning before District Judge E. C. Abbott, but the mob was quicker than the justice and on Tuesday morning at about 1 o'clock, a party composed of something like 25 to 50 members, went to the jail, then guarded by one lone jailer, which they overpowered, and taking the keys from him, they went to the cell and took Adolfo out to the nearest corner where he was cut to pieces with knives, in about the same fashion he had killed his wife. Four shots were then fired, but it could not be learned if they took effect in his body, and then they fled leaving the dying man to bleed out. From there he was brought back to the jail and Dr. J. M. Diaz and Dr. Knapp summoned. The physicians at once stated that Padilla had no chance whatever of recovery and a priest was sent for to administer the last rites to the dying man.

All the members of the gang were masked and their identity could not be learned, though the jailer stated that both English and Spanish were spoken by them in the few words they spoke.

Padilla died at 11 o'clock a. m., after ten hours of suffering from the cruel wounds inflicted upon his body, and it is said he made a statement saying he knew some of his assailants to both doctors. The district attorney has ordered a rigid investigation in an effort to bring the culprits to justice.

These two crimes have greatly shocked the Ancient Capital and excitement ran high.

Progress made at the Exposition Grounds

San Diego, March 31.—The last of the buildings of the main exhibit group of the San Diego Exposition are now very near completion, and scaffolding are being taken down every day, following the finishing of the work of the painters.

The New Mexico State Building is entirely enclosed, and a large

force of workmen is rushing this structure to completion. It is a reproduction of the historic old mission church on the Rock of Acoma, with the addition to it of the unique verandah and balustrade of the Franciscan mission at Cochiti.

Work on the ornate building that will contain the exhibits of the San Joaquin valley counties was begun during the present week, and already the huge frame is beginning to rise, giving visitors some idea of the size of this structure and the beauty of its outlines.

Visitors to the grounds now are privileged to use the great viaduct over Cabrillo canyon, leading to the west entrance, and they pass first under the arch that spans the Prado between the California State Building and the Ethnology Building. Already the huge concrete blocks that are to form the ornate facings of this magnificent building which California has placed on the Exposition site are being set in place. This building of reinforced concrete is now more than two-thirds finished. Its great tower rises above the site to a height of 170 feet.

The walls of the Ethnology Building, also of reinforced concrete, are now receiving their cover of plaster, and this huge structure will be ready for installation of exhibits in another month.

Many buildings have been started along the Isthmus, the amusement street of the exposition. These are of varied type, and all have particularly ornate and attractive fronts. When the lighting system devised for this part of the exposition is finished, the entire street of five thousand feet will be one blaze of light.

Great progress is being made in the work of preparing the grounds of the exposition, and visitors already declare that the claim of the exposition officials that San Diego will have the most beautiful Exposition ever opened, will be made good.

Space in the main exhibit buildings is being allotted every day, and it now seems certain that the San Diego Exposition will be more comprehensive than any ever held.

School Record Made by Santa Fe County One To Be Proud Of

Santa Fe, March 29.—Thirty-eight new school rooms through state aid in Santa Fe county, each room representing state aid to the extent of \$350, is the record set by County School Superintendent John V. Conway.

Of course, there is more to it than the state aid alone, for each district, no matter how poor, must first pledge itself to raise a certain amount of money and labor and in each instance the list is headed by Superintendent Conway with a five or ten-dollar contribution, and it is wonderful what an incentive that is even to the poorest citizen to do his full duty.

Pathetic stories of self-denial might be told, of contributions of labor and money by those who are bitterly poor, just so that their district might have a modern school house and their children a good education.—Albuquerque Morning Journal.

PERSONAL

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. C. Gillman a 9-pound baby girl, all concerned doing nicely.

A goodly crowd of Belenites took in the Sells Floto circus in Albuquerque Saturday.

Bishop Howdon of Albuquerque will be in the city today to administer confirmation at the local Episcopal church at 7:30 p. m. Special music has been provided for.

An informal reception will be held this afternoon from 3 to 5 at the home of Mrs. Jud Hall. A cordial invitation is extended to all those wishing to meet Bishop Howdon.

Mr. Ed Rutz was married last Saturday morning to Mrs. Anna Christenson, daughter of Mr. S. M. Bryan, formerly of Belen.

Mrs. Sawyer will leave for her home in Leadville, Colo., after spending several weeks here with her daughter, Mrs. C. W. Goebel.

Mrs. Bowland left last Friday evening for Independence, Mo., to be with her father who is ill.

Mrs. Jud Hall entertained at a surprise smoker Monday night in honor of Mr. Hall's birthday. After a sumptuous supper the evening was spent in cards. Those present were Messrs. Dales, L. C. Becker, Fink, Jacobson, O. Goebel, H. Becker, Wetmore, Fischer, John Becker, Dr. Dempsey and Dr. Wilkinson.

R. A. Mason and family have taken Walt Goebel's house for the summer, while T. M. Gavin and family occupy the residence of Ed Goebel.

Miss Olive Berkey, sister of Mr. Berkey, the dairyman, arrived last Thursday from Pennsylvania to assist Mr. and Mrs. Berkey during the summer season.

Mr. James Gallup, chief engineer in the local ice plant, has been transferred to Kansas City to take charge of a similar plant. He expects to leave with his family next Saturday.

Mr. L. E. Hitchcock returned Monday morning from a several weeks stay in the western part of the county.

The Baker University boys of Baldwin City, Kansas, gave a concert at the Reading Room last Sunday night. The readings as well as all the musical selections were very well rendered and the entertainment as a whole ranked among the best of the season. The boys left Monday morning for San Marcial.

Mrs. L. B. Geimer and children left last week for Rakersfield, where she joined her husband, who went there some time previous.

Mrs. John Becker, Jr., entertained the girls sewing club Tuesday evening.

Miss Lucie Becker gave a party Friday evening in honor of her guest, Miss Edna MacEldowney. The evening was spent at 500 and delicious refreshments were served at a late hour. Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Schutz, Mr. Logan, Miss Lillian Scott and Mr. Jegels, of Los Lunas; Misses M. Endestein, Metz, Neale, Elsie and Frieda Becker, Rutz, Messrs. Branch, Harper, Humphreys, Enderstein, Vieltstitch, Mr. and Mrs. C. Fraser.

Mrs. Carl Reinkin and children spent last Friday and Saturday in Albuquerque.

SANTA FE FIRST

Mr. C. M. Stone, manager of the Winslow baseball team wrote to see if Belen could arrange for a game with that city. "Come on, Jud, and get in the harness."

M. P. Cook, engineer, was called back to Clovis, where his son is sick.

Mr. W. C. Krauk and children left Monday evening for Baltimore, and will return as soon as the operation on the little son is completed.

A clean young man needed at the Santa Fe store house as an extra man for inventory. Apply to N. R. Snowden.

Mr. K. R. Stewart, storekeeper in Albuquerque, spent Saturday here a guest to Mr. and Mrs. N. R. Snowden.

Mrs. Liffing of Sabinal was a visitor here Sunday on her way to Albuquerque.

Mr. Manifee, representing the Galina Oil Company, was in the city Saturday looking after the consumption of oils.

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Begley last Friday an 8-pound boy. The mother and child doing nicely.

Don't forget the special music by the children at the Lutheran church next Sunday night.

H. S. Lutz, formerly agent here but now of Santa Fe, was here Saturday, a guest of Agent Jones.

F. E. Taylor, formerly breaking out of here, arrived last Tuesday to make arrangements to move his family to Carlsbad.

For Sale—Pure blood R. C. R. I. Reds and White Wyandotte Eggs, 75c per setting. Eggs guaranteed and from stock of the best laying kind. R. L. Cock, 1 Block North of School House.

Buckland Bros. have completed their 181-foot well and the water is one of the best in town. They will install a pneumatic tank and engine and will have a complete private water system.

Dr. Caleb S. Middleton, M. D., was in town Wednesday. He is a specialist in eye, ear, nose and throat diseases, and his headquarters are at Albuquerque. He will come here every Monday hereafter, and will attend to business at the Belen Hotel.

The County Teachers' Association, addressed by Supt. White, Dr. Light and Mr. Conway, was much enjoyed by everyone. The music furnished for the association by High School pupils was much enjoyed by the visitors.

Mrs. Trimble is in Albuquerque on business. Her room is ably filled by Miss Maurine.

Miss Lillian Pohl, a popular and well known teacher in the Belen school, is planning to leave for her coffee plantation in Central America. She will finish her school work next week. We are sorry to lose her, but we are hoping she can return soon.

Supt. White is spending a few days visiting the county schools, in company with County Superintendent Baca. He visited the various rooms in Belen Tuesday.

The 8th grade will take the State examination Friday and Saturday of this week.

The Sweet Pea and American roses were favorites in the voting for a State Flower last Friday.

STATE SUPERINTENDENT WHITE VISITS THE SCHOOLS

Before leaving for Curry and Roosevelt counties, State Superintendent Alvan N. White, who, in company with County Superintendent Saturnino Baca, has been making an official visit to all the schools in the valley, stated that he was highly pleased with the progress of the schools, the splendid educational spirit he found prevailing in every one of the school districts visited, the kind reception extended to him by the teachers, pupils and good citizens of Valencia county. In every district, members of boards of directors and many of the school patrons were out to meet him and extend him a cordial greeting. The meetings were always enthusiastic, addresses being made by Supts. White and Baca and others. At Tome and Adelino the meetings were large and were held in the public halls, kindly given by the owners for the purpose. Former County Supt. Jesus C. Sanchez spoke at each of these meetings. At Los Lunas, Senator Romero and Dr. Witmer, county health officer, also gave helpful addresses. A vote of thanks was tendered to Supt. White in every school district visited.

"I am deeply impressed with the cordial reception given me by the children, teachers and patrons, the hospitality extended to me by many of the good citizens, and the splendid sentiment in favor of the public schools and the growing determination of the people to make the schools better each year, and am also gratified to see the hearty, loyal support accorded to Supt. Baca in every district," said Supt. White.

Supt. White is so well pleased with his visit that he is going to visit the schools again next year, so that he may see the results for better schools. He says Supt. Baca is certainly making a fine record as a public official.

In Congress

The congressmen and senators of the United States are very busy these days with the important matter of the repulsion of the Canal Toll Law, which has been made a national issue in which the honor of this country is at a stake.

Many speeches have been made by both parties, both in favor and against the proposition, and the question is so delicate by itself that it cannot be ascertained what the outcome will be.

Latest dispatches from Washington say that President Wilson has obtained a victory over his opponents, when the lower house of congress voted to support the administration by a vote of 247 for the measure and 161 against it.

An exciting debate took place in the chamber, and the leading Democrats of the house took sides with the opposition.

The bill now will pass to the senate, where it will be referred to the committee on interoceanic canals, of which Senator O'Gorman, of New York, is the chairman. It is expected that a vigorous fight will take place in the committee, but it will be reported to the senate in short time.

The scene in the house when the vote was taken, was unrivaled in the history of American

legislation. Every seat in the house was filled as were the galleries and the people cheered and applauded when the vote was announced.

President Wilson was at dinner when the result of the vote was announced. He was gratified, but made no comment.

Houses for rent, \$12.50 and \$16.00. People's Lumber Company.

Torreón Still in Hands of the Federals

Nothing new has happened in the war in Mexico, and every telegram that happens to appear on this side of the line is promptly denied and declared a "fake" by both parties.

In the middle of all this, one thing is evident. The rebels have not taken Torreón, but have found themselves in a dangerous position, losing many soldiers and gaining ground little by little.

It is said that heavy reinforcements are in the way from Saltillo under Gen. De Bourre, who has about 5,000 men. To counteract this move, Gen. Monclovia Herrera has left for the east in an effort to engage the federals and prevent their reaching Torreón.

Villa's forces are said to be in the neighborhood of the city fighting the federals in their barracks, and it is reported they will have to demolish the buildings near by in order to bring their artillery into action.

However, the fall of Torreón is expected any time, according to reports given out by Gen. Carranza, who is at Juarez.

The circulation of Villa's money has been ordered suspended by Carranza, in order to check out the fake money that in great quantities is circulating in rebel territory. More than a million dollars' worth of bogus Villa money is reported to be in circulation, and this caused the rebel chief to issue strict orders for its circulation. A new issue of currency will take the place of this money, and will be put in circulation in two weeks.

In recent engagements in Monclovia, the rebels had about 1,000 casualties, as well as about 100 in Sierra de Arteaga. The advance of the rebels in Tamaulipas has been annihilated. The long expected battle in the neighborhood of Tampico has not taken place according to the latest dispatches from the naval officers in that vicinity.

One sensational news that reached the frontier, but was quickly suppressed, is that of the wounding of Villa, who is reported to be slightly wounded. However, this report could not be verified.

Businessmen insure their stocks and buildings as a matter of protection and to obtain proper standing in the commercial world. You need the protection. Simmons can fix up your insurance for you.

"Bliggins says he can't write on a typewriter because the noise disturbs him."

"Yes. If there is any noise going on Bliggins wants to make it himself."—Washington Star.

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PHONE No. 34

We are greatly pleased to copy
the following from the Albuquerque
Morning Journal:

"County Superintendent Satur-
nino Baca, of Valencia county,
certainly is a hustler," declared
County Superintendent John V.
Conway, who returned this noon
from Belen, where he had attend-
ed the teachers' meeting, not only
to give but also to get pointers.

"The improvement in the pub-
lic schools of Valencia county is
certainly remarkable and the en-
thusiasm with which Mr. Baca
was greeted by the teachers shows
he has them with him," continued
Conway. "Baca promised openly
before the convention that he
would give up his printing plant
and all his other interests to de-
vote his entire time to the school
work and before he gets done,
Valencia county will be trans-
formed."

Mr. Conway also was pleased
with the hearty ovation given Su-
perintendent of Public Instruc-
tion Alvan N. White, and declared
that nothing shows the revolution
Superintendent White has wrought
in the state's educational system
more significantly than the hearty
reception given him in Valencia
county. Mr. White will devote
the next five days to visiting Va-
lencia county school districts, for
he believes thoroughly in getting
in direct touch with people, teach-
ers and children, and expects to
visit every school district during
his administration."

The above remarks show the
people of Valencia county what is
the opinion about the progressive
work which has been carried on
in this county in educational mat-
ters by the actual superintendent,
whose work is appreciated in his
full value by those disinterested
persons that came here to attend
the Teacher's convention last Sat-
urday.

We are ready to stand by Su-
perintendent Baca in his deter-
mination to help improve the
schools. We are perfectly aware
of the importance of educating
the children so they can be better
prepared to fight against the odds
of life and by so doing we expect
to go ahead in the line of progress
and knowledge, so our county
would be justly proud of its
schools and educational affairs in
general.

It is unfortunate that a ghastly
crime has been committed in the
capital, and still more unfortu-
nate that the mob has taken the
law in their hands taking ven-
geance upon the criminal.

We cannot approve of such acts
of violence at the hands of the
infuriated mob. We believe in
the law taking its regular course
and judging the criminals prop-
erly, imposing upon them the pen-
alty already assigned by the laws.
Fortunately such acts are very
rare, and if we remember right
only two cases of this kind have
happened in the capital.

The unjust Lynch law must be
forever barred off the minds of
our people. The people has the

right to elect their representatives
to govern them, to make laws for
them and administer justice, and
right there its right ceases, leav-
ing to those in charge of the gov-
ernment the task of judging the
transgressors of the law and in-
flicting penalties. To do other-
wise is not proper, and we hope
this will be the last case in our
beloved state.

I Will.

I will make this day worth
while.
I will drop the past, remember-
ing it only as a valuable path
through which I have walked in-
to the Now.

I will take up the work of the
day as a personal pledge to do my
best—with interest and enthusi-
asm. I will do things I have
failed to do before. I will attempt
new things that I know now that
I can do. I will go ahead.

I will play the game today with
a warm hearth and a cool head.
I will smile when I feel like
frowning. I will be patient when
I feel tempted to scold. I will
take personal command of my-
self.

I will be loyal to the concern
for which I toil. I will be faith-
ful to all my trusts. I will mas-
ter the smallest details. I will
boost—not knock. I will do—not
intend. I will get things done.

I will work because I like to. I
will be fair and just because there
is no other way—to win. I will
do right because it is right. I
will sweat by courageous effort—
determined to succeed at all times.

I will be careful of my time,
considerate of my health, jealous
of my honor. I will help make
the day great for everyone with
whom I come in contact.

I will make this day worth
while.—Opportunity.

Country Editor.

The duties of a country editor
are numerous and varied. People
who sometimes complain that
their little home weekly does not
contain as much news as the more
pretentious dailies published in
the cities overlook the fact that
dozens, and in many cases, scores
of men contribute to the produc-
tion of the larger papers, while
all the work on a weekly is some-
times done by a single individual.
—Ex.

High Mountains in Montana

There are probably six named
peaks in Montana which have
elevations exceeding 12,000 feet
and several unnamed peaks with
altitudes greater than that height,
according to the United States
Geological Survey. These peaks
are all in Carbon county, in the
southern portion of the state, and
are included in the Beartooth Na-
tional Forest. The highest of
these is Granite Peak, with an
altitude of 12,850 feet. The next
highest are Mt. Wood, 12,750 feet;
Cold Mountain, 12,610 feet; Mt.
Villa, 12,200 feet; Mt. Hague,
12,400 feet, and Snobank Moun-
tain, 12,000 feet.

According to an estimate by Sir
John Murray, the total annual
rainfall upon all the land of the
globe amounts to 29,347.4 cubic
miles, and of this quantity 6,524
cubic miles drains off through
rivers to the sea. A cubic mile
of river water weighs, approxi-
mately, 4,205,650,000 tons, and
carries in solution, on the aver-
age, about 420,000 tons of foreign
matter. In all, about 2,735,000,
000 tons of solid substances are
thus carried annually to the ocean.
—United States Geological Sur-
vey.

"Muchwedd declares that wo-
men are changeable."

"He ought to know. He's
changed his wife three times."—
Philadelphia Ledger.

COLLECTION OF CURIOS

By BARBARA BOYD.

They had just returned from Eu-
rope; and like all returning tourists,
they had a lot of what their friends
privately called junk, but which they
enthusiastically referred to as a valu-
able collection of rare curios.

"Aren't these the quaintest things?"
said Anne, exhibiting some brass
books picked up in Holland.

"She would have brought a whole
hardware shop of them, if I hadn't
stopped her," laughed her husband.

"But just imagine how stunning
they'll look on the hall to hang hats
on, or—in the bathroom for tow-
els."

"I don't believe the flat owner will
let you put up hooks," objected a
friend.

"Goodness! I never thought of that,"
replied Anne. She put the hooks
away thoughtfully. Then she dived in-
to another box.

"Did you ever see anything so hor-
ridly charming as these?" she raptur-
ously exclaimed, producing several
specimens of leering gargoyles. "They
are so ugly they are fascinating."

"What are you going to do with
them?" asked a friend.

"Well, of course, they aren't intend-
ed so much for houses. That is, I
don't think so. Are they?" she asked
her husband.

"Oh, I don't know. They'll look all-
fired queer, no matter where you put
them."

"Tom really hasn't much taste for
quaint things," explained Anne. "But
I thought they would look delightful
sort of peeping over the eaves of the
house, like they do at the tops of
churches; or maybe—sort of sitting up
alongside the water spout."

"But there aren't any eaves to a
flat," objected the practical friend.

"Nor water spouts, either," chimed
in another.

"I never thought of that," replied
Anne still more thoughtfully. "But I
just couldn't resist getting them."

"If you only had a chicken house,"
said a cynical friend, "you might set
them up there. I think they would be
right on the job of keeping thieves
away."

Anne ignored such irrelevancy, and
very carefully brought out a huge box
which she opened and tenderly drew
forth therefrom one by one some door
hinges, knockers, latches, locks, and
bolts, nail heads and a bunch of enor-
mous keys.

"Aren't they just dear?" she said,
looking at them with kindly eyes.

"But what in the world will you do
with a lot of scrap iron like that?"
obtruded the practical friend.

"Fix up the doors and make them
look old-timey. Just imagine how dis-
tinguished a door will look with a
latch like that," she said, picking up
a piece of bent and rusty iron. "Most
of these are Spanish. Some are Ger-
man. But aren't they delicious?"

"But if you are taking the hard-
ware off the doors of your apartment,"
chimed her friends, "you'll get a
call-down from the janitor."

"I suppose I would," admitted Anne.
"I guess the only thing for us to do
is to build."

So now, she and her husband are
hunting a location that will be a
proper setting for a house sufficiently
medieval in design to bear up under
French gargoyles, Spanish locks, Ger-
man latches, Florentine nail heads
and Dutch hooks. They feel there
must be a deep, dark ravine, and em-
battled crags, and some melancholy
trees such as artists put in Italian
landscapes, and a church with chim-
es. And snuggled out of sight, so as not
to interfere with this artistic har-
mony, they would like a well-olled
stone road, a good trolley and a town
with a good show or two.

And while they are hunting this lo-
cation an architect is having brain-
storms trying to design a house that
will be harmoniously French, Span-
ish, German, Florentine and Dutch,
all at one and the same time.

Analysis of Hailstones.

The infrequency of their occurrence
and the difficulty of keeping them for
examination, have stood in the way of
any careful investigation of the char-
acter of hailstones, but Prof. Boris
Weinberg of Tomsk, Siberia, has just
perfected an apparatus which is ex-
pected to obviate these difficulties. He
will gather the hailstones as oppor-
tunity offers and preserve them by
plunging them in a liquid of about the
same density contained in a double-
walled receptacle like a superior ice
cream freezer, but "packed" with a
mixture of ice and sulphate of copper.
As needed for study the stones can
be removed, sliced in extremely thin
sections and photographed by a polar-
izing microscope or autocromatic
plates, as is done with anatomical
preparations.

Rather Give Herself Away.

Parson White's precautionary mea-
sure of protecting his chicken coops
with chilled steel bars was futile, for
that very night four more of his
choice Leghorns disappeared, leaving
the severed bars as the only visible
evidence of the theft. However, his
suspicion pointed toward his next-
door neighbor, whom he had seen
prowling around his yard that day,
and accordingly he had this suspect
up in the police court next morning.

"If the prisoner can file an alibi I'll
let him off with a suspended sen-
tence," announced the judge at the
end of the evidence. "Can you file
an alibi, Ham?"

"I guess I can," eagerly replied the
suspect, "if it ain't any harder den-
Fanson White's chicken coop bars."—
San Francisco Star.

Mountainair, N. M., March 23,
1914.

To the Boards of County Commis-
sioners, County Road Boards
and Commercial Organizations
of New Mexico:

At a recent meeting of the Tor-
rance County Road Board a reso-
lution was passed favoring legis-
lation making mandatory the use
of the wide tire on road vehicles
in New Mexico. I was instruct-
ed by the Mountainair Business
Men's Association to write our
representative in congress, sug-
gesting a Senate amendment to
the House Bill appropriating \$25-
000,000 to be apportioned among
the different states to be used by
them in building roads, making
this aid available on the contin-
gency of wide tire and uniform
guage legislation. This has been
done. At the last meeting of the
Mountainair Business Men's As-
sociation I was instructed to write
to your bodies acquainting you
with the inception of this move-
ment, asking your consideration
and if it meets with your approval,
your co-operation.

The only objections to this kind
of legislation so far advanced, are
that heretofore it has been local
in character and would work a
hardship on the present owners of
vehicles with narrow tires. It is
thought possible to secure general
state legislation by this method,
thus eliminating the first objec-
tion, and by fixing a time limit
in which the new law should be-
come effective, overcoming the
other objection. We would ap-
preciate a reply, giving us your
opinion of the above suggestions,
and stating what action, if any,
you have taken.

Very truly yours,
B. E. Hedding,
Secretary Mountainair Business
Men's Association.

Gobb—What did the dancers
have on?

Webb—Nothing; they were hav-
ing a dress rehearsal.—Judge.



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keep the bicycle, return it to us at our expense and you will not be sent one cent.
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stock companies and establish
factories, secure railroads, work
for public improvements and use
every means in their power to
induce people to locate in their
city. Wherever they go they tell
of the advantages of their city,
they write about them in every
letter, they send circulars and
newspapers to all whom they
think they can get to visit the
city, and when anyone visits them
treats him so kindly that he falls
in love with them and their city
at once. It is enterprise and ev-
eryone pulling together that make
a progressive town and don't let
the fact escape your memory.
To hear every person saying some-
thing pleasant about its people
and its interests is the surest,
quickest and easiest way to make
a town attractive to a stranger.

One of the best ways in which to
make a town attractive with that
sort of attraction that will draw
other people to it is for every
man and woman to have a pleas-
ant word for the people and the
town generally. Talk up Belen
if you would have it do well.
Talk up Belen if you would have
others come. Talk up Belen if
you would feel an interest in it,
and have its people feel an inter-
est in you. There is no better
way to do it. And many a time
one little word of unpleasant re-
ference to something that does not
exactly suit you and not particu-
larly concern you as to that mat-
ter, will turn a good man's in-
fluence away from here and may
even drive him away. At your
own fireside, talk up Belen.
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Backache

Miss Myrtle Cothrum, of Russellville, Ala., says: "For nearly a year, I suffered with terrible backache, pains in my limbs, and my head ached nearly all the time. Our family doctor treated me, but only gave me temporary relief. I was certainly in bad health. My school teacher advised me to

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SMILES

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SAFETY FIRST!
Don't give up your job and go to Mexico—
SAFETY FIRST!
Don't agree with a "base-man" who wears spiked shoes—
SAFETY FIRST!
Don't become a baseball umpire—
SAFETY FIRST!

"I say, Colonel, why do you always take your drink with your eyes closed?"
"Wal, sah, if Ah wus to drink with mah eyes open, mah mouth would water, an' Ah don't care to dilute the liquor."
Mr. Cornsilk—I understand that Jones' big mill was set afire by spontaneous combustion.
Mrs. Cornsilk—Pity they can't catch that Slav. This is three fires that he has been accused of starting.—Birmingham Age-Herald.

"Why do you feed every tramp who comes along? They never do any work for you."
"No," said the wife, "but it is quite a satisfaction to me to see a man eat a meal without finding fault with the cooking."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

"You know it is said that the proper distance between the eyes is the width of one eye," said the sweet young thing on the sofa.
"Well, move up closer, then," suggested the gentleman present.

It was on a Broadway car. A passenger stopped and picked up a coin from the floor. Three of the other passengers eyed him with envy.
He said:
"Which of you people dropped a five-dollar gold piece?"
"I did!" yelled each of the three.
"Well," said the finder to the man nearest him, "here's a nickel of it."

Wife—John, I must have a new hat, and gown.
Husband—That's good!
Wife—And gloves, shoes, silk stockings, opera cloak!
Husband—That's good!
Wife—Wake up, you wretch! You're dreaming you're in a poker game!—Puck.

"Isn't it awful," said Mrs. Hemmardhaw, "some cannibals in German New Guinea ate up two famous scientists. Why do you suppose they did that?"
"I don't know," replied Mr. Hemmardhaw, "unless they were anxious to get a little inside information."

"Indeed," the lecturer went on, in a quizzical way, "I believe I am justified in asserting that nine women out of ten practically propose to the men they become engaged to. As a test, I would ask all married men in the audience whose wives virtually popped the question to them to rise."
There was a subdued rustle in the auditorium, and in the dense silence that ensued could be heard sibilant feminine whispers in concert, "Just you dare stand up."
—Pittsburg Leader.

They may talk about the editors
And say that they are poor,
With very many creditors
And little earthly store.
But there is one thing certain,
You cannot keep them down,
For when they can't support themselves,
They still support the town.
—Raton Reporter.

Many a girl who looks like a peach is merely a lemon in disguise.

NOTICE OF SALE.

State of New Mexico, County of Valencia, in the District Court.
James G. Fitch, Trustee,
and James P. Chase,)
Plaintiffs,)
vs.) No. 1868
J. W. Beardsley, Mabel)
M. Beardsley and A. H.)
Beardsley, Defendants,)

Under and by virtue of a judgment and decree, made and entered on the 14th day of January, 1914, in above entitled cause, made by the District Court in and for the said County of Valencia, State of New Mexico, wherein the above named plaintiffs did obtain judgment against the above named defendants, in the sum of \$5,157.70, with interest thereon, at the rate of eight per cent. per annum, from the 14th day of January, 1914, until paid, together with the sum of \$511.36, as attorney's fees, for the plaintiffs' attorney, and the sum of \$50.00 as a fee for the receiver previously appointed in said cause by the said court, together with all of the costs of the said cause accrued and to accrue, and expenses of the sale of the property hereinafter described and ordered sold, I the undersigned, appointed as Special Master by the said court to make a sale of the property hereinafter described to satisfy the said judgment, and the costs and expenses, do hereby give notice that I will, in pursuance of and in obedience to the said decree and order of sale, on the 18th day of April, 1914, at the front door of the Court House, in the City of Los Lunas, County of Valencia, State of New Mexico, at the hour of 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon of said day, sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, to satisfy the plaintiffs' judgment and the other sums above mentioned, the following described property: to-wit:

Beginning at the southwest corner of section thirty, township six north of range two east, thence running north eight hundred and sixty-two (862) feet, thence east to the east line of lot four, thence south along the east line of lot four to the west line thereof, thence west to the place of beginning. Containing about twenty-six and one-half acres (26 1/2). Also the south half of the southwest quarter of the southwest quarter of section thirty, township 6 north of range 2 east. Containing twenty acres (20), being the same property conveyed by Richard Pohl and wife to parties of the first part by deed dated July 20, 1909; also

The south one-half (1-2) of Lot three (3), and the south one-half (1-2) of the northeast quarter of the southwest quarter of Section Thirty (30) in Township Six (6), north of Range Two (2) east of the New Mexico Meridian, containing about Forty (40) acres and being a portion of the land mentioned in the United States Patent to R. M. Stockton, which patent is recorded in Vol. "B2" of the Records of Valencia County, N. Mex., page 47, the said land herein conveyed being bounded as follows: On the north by the land of Richard Pohl; on the west by the Nicolas Duran de Chaves Grant; on the south by the public road and the land formerly owned by Antonio Baca; and on the east by the land hereinafter described and conveyed.

Also the west one-half (1-2) of the southeast quarter (1-4) of Section Thirty (30) Township Six (6) north, Range Two (2) East of the Principal Meridian of the Territory (now State) of New Mexico, containing Eighty (80) acres more or less, being the same property conveyed to the parties of the first part by William Jenks and wife by deed dated October 1, 1908, and recorded in Book B-1 of the Record of Deeds at page 442 thereof.

H. B. Cornell,
Special Master.

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THE FORGOTTEN PARTY

By J. J. McCARTNEY.

All Tuesday morning young Plunkett was tormented by some vague idea in the back of his brain of something left undone. Struggle as he might, he could not get it into concrete form. Yet trying to forget it only irritated him the more.

In the midst of his luncheon a lightning flash cleared his head and with a sickening chill he knew what he hadn't done. He had forgotten to go to the dinner party which Celia Bell had given the evening before.

He had not the ghost of an excuse, because he had not been dead at the time, which would have been the only valid excuse in the eyes of a hostess. He had simply absented himself from the affair because of an inexplicable lapse of memory. For an instant he wished that he dared telephone the explanation that he had been knocked down and rendered unconscious by an automobile and had just come to. Manifestly it was totally impossible to call up Celia and admit that "Excuse me for thinking so little of your invitation that I slipped my mind."

The fact was that he thought a lot of Celia's invitation. Indeed, he was beginning to realize that he was going to think a lot of Celia. He had scarcely begun to do so as yet, because their acquaintance had hardly advanced beyond the formal stages, but he realized that his captivity was inevitable and he was more than resigned to the prospect. This made the scrape in which he now found himself all the more tragic.

He had heard of men who had forgotten dinner parties and had been restored to human society and toleration only after weary years of contrition. This tedious process did not appeal to him. He was afraid that in the meantime some one else would run away with Celia. He racked his brain for a more speedy solution of the difficulty.

Celia was no weak, gentle, doormat variety of girl. He could imagine just how her wonder at his nonappearance had grown to surprise, then to wrath, and how her wrath was growing hour by hour.

It was without doubt a most difficult situation.

The average man would have tried to placate the injured hostess by a bushel of roses or ten pounds of candy, a contrite note or a desperate call in person. Young Plunkett showed his really superior intellect by the fact that he did not do any of these things. For a few days he did absolutely nothing. This required self-restraint, for every hour that Celia hated him was a blight. But when the next Monday evening came around he attired himself carefully in the prescribed society raiment and sallied forth.

On his way he ran into Smith. "Hello," said Smith, "are we going out among them tonight?"

"Yes," said young Plunkett, cheerfully. "I am going to a dinner party at Celia Bell's."

"Oh," said Smith, "is she entertaining again? I went to a dinner at her home last Monday night—"

"Did you?" murmured young Plunkett, interestedly, and passed on.

With a firm step he mounted the steps to the home of Celia and the vigorous peal of the bell sounded not like the summons of one in terror. Admitted to the reception hall, he waited in all his immaculate splendor. After a while Celia came in. She advanced with the outraged dignity of an offended stage princess and when she said "Good evening" in a questioning tone young Plunkett felt like an unwelcome book agent. Yet he clung grimly to the purpose with which he had started out.

"Am I the first one?" he asked, cheerily.

Miss Bell was puzzled enough to relax her frown a bit. "First one for what? I don't understand!" she said.

Young Plunkett's face was a picture of ingenuous amazement. "Why, aren't you giving a dinner party this evening?" he demanded.

Miss Bell sat down limply. "I am not!" she informed him. "I gave one last Monday night, however—and I don't believe you have seen fit to explain why you were not present."

"Last Monday night!" cried young Plunkett. "Why, you've made an awful mistake of some sort. When you invited me you said distinctly 'a week from next Monday night!' Do you think for an instant I could have misunderstood an invitation from you? Why, I've counted on this evening for days—and now you tell me that you had the party a week ago! I don't understand, really!"

For a moment Celia stared at him. If ever there was a disappointed and reproachful individual on earth it was young Plunkett at that instant.

Celia wavered—then she fell.

"I—I never did such a thing before in my life!" she cried. "And here I've been blaming you! Oh, I'm so sorry, Mr. Plunkett! Now, you simply have got to stay and dine with us informally tonight. How I ever came to make such a slip of the tongue I can't imagine! You'll stay?"

"Why, thank you," said young Plunkett with noble forgiveness. "Now, you mustn't worry about this another instant. It's all right, I assure you."

Valuable Elk Tooth Dress.
An elk tooth dress, estimated to be worth \$3,000, was one of the oddities recently exhibited in the new "dress and ornament" exhibit at the Museum of Anthropology at the Associated Colleges in San Francisco. The elk tooth dress was decorated with more than 500 teeth, and was worn by an Indian woman.

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Primaries for School Directors

Last Saturday night were held the primaries for the nomination of school directors of this district for the next period, and at a very cordial meeting were nominated Messrs. Ramon Baca y Chavez and Bernard Jacobson, both well known citizens of this town.

The primaries were held at Didier's Hall and were well attended by the voters of the district.

The election will be held on the first Monday in April, and it is of the utmost importance that all make use of their prerogatives as citizens by going to the polls, all men and women alike, as in this election the women have the right to vote according to law.

UNCLAIMED MAIL MATTER.

The following is a list of letters and other unclaimed mail matter remaining in the post office at Belen, New Mexico, for the week ending

April 2, 1914,
Ilisio, Juan Mr.
Lovato, Bisente Mr.
Molina, Patrocinio Mr.

Persons calling for this unclaimed matter will please say "Advertised." A charge of one cent will be made for each piece of advertised matter delivered, as required by Section 668 Postal Laws and Regulation, 1902.

If unclaimed by April 16, 1914, the above will be sent to the Dead Letter Office.

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LOCALS

Can you afford to lose all you have in the world? Better see Simmons before you have a fire.

Ice Cream and Soda Water on and after Sunday, April 5th.

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The Sunday morning service will be for the Congregation and the School combined. There will be a short Palm Sunday sermon for the children. Special singing by the school from Angsburg Songs. In the evening, the choir will have special Palm Sunday music. The sermon theme is, "The Enthronement of Jesus."

The Luther League will be led by Miss Frieda Becker, assisted by Edward LeBrun.

Holy Week will be observed by services on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday nights at 8 o'clock, also on Good Friday morning, at 10:30 o'clock. The Preparatory Services for the Holy Communion, to be celebrated on Easter Sunday, will be in connection with the Good Friday service.

A cordial invitation is extended to everybody to attend all of these services. You are urged, also, to seriously consider the privilege of professing your faith in the Saviour in church membership on Easter.

The Woman's Missionary Society will meet in the church parlors on Thursday afternoon, April 9

METHODIST CHURCH NOTES.

Clyde Keegan, pastor; P. P. Simmons, Sunday school superintendent. Preaching services at 11 a. m. and 7:45 p. m.; Sunday school at 10 a. m.; Epworth League at 7:00 p. m.

SANTA FE TIME CARD.

Effective December 7, 1913.
Belen, New Mexico.



Northbound.

810 For Albuquerque and East 5:40 a. m.
816 For Albuquerque and East 5:15 p. m.

Southbound

809 El Paso & Mex. Ex., 1:20 a. m.
815 El Paso Passenger, 9:33 a. m.

Cut-off Trains

	Ar.	Dep.
	p. m.	p. m.
812 From Pecos Valley	7:15	7:40
811 Pecos Valley Ex.	8:55	9:00

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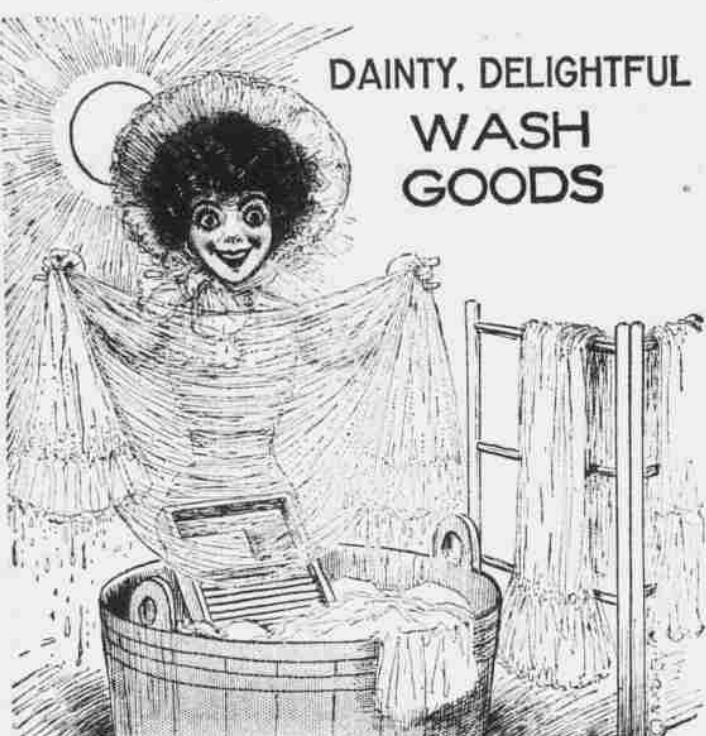


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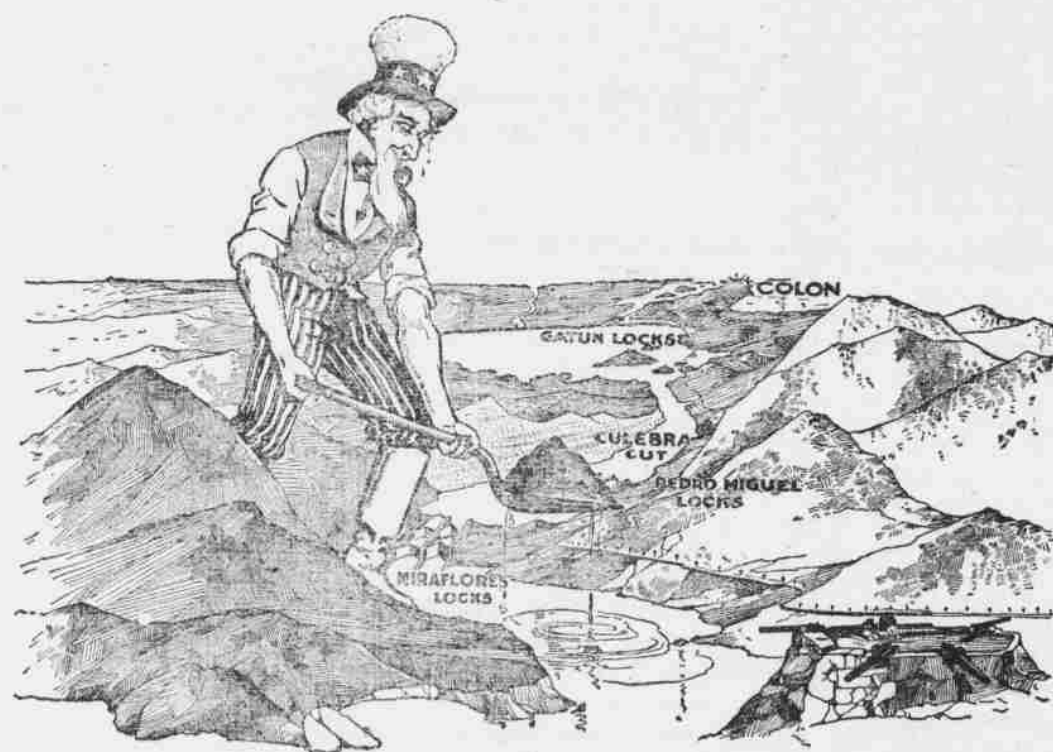
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