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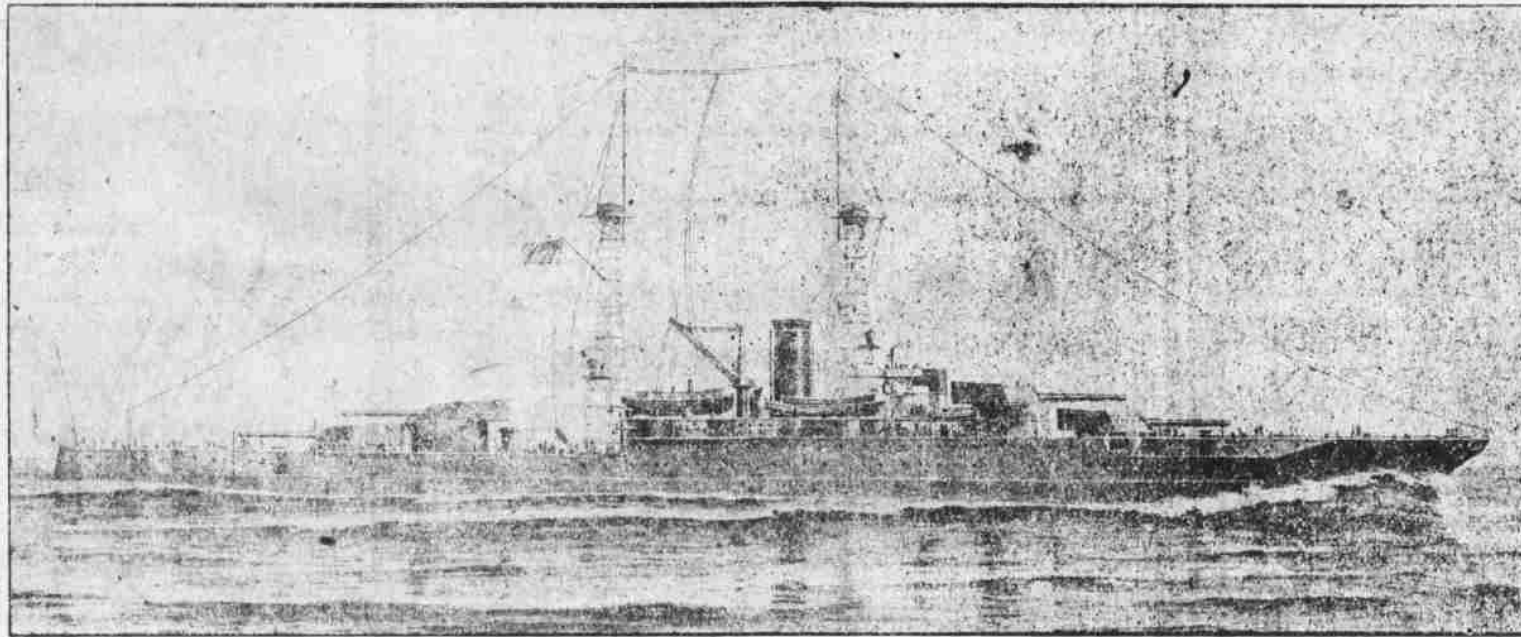
Dreadnaught New Mexico--the Nation's Greatest Battleship

Drill for Oil

Immediately

Standard Oil Company are rapidly completing arrangements for immediate drilling on its 400,000 acres in Valencia and McKinley counties.

This enormous tract is the most promising oil field in the southwest.



The People

are starving

And they must get immediate aid from America or die.

The Armenian and Syrian drive commences next week. Are you going to let them die?

The Turks have massacred and robbed them!

John Becker jr is county chairman.

Inaugural Address of Hon. O. A. Larrazolo, Fourth State Governor of New Mexico.

HIS EXCELLENCY O. A. LARRAZOLO, Governor of New Mexico, in his inaugural address, gave us an able state paper which will very favorably compare with the best efforts of the leading statesmen of the United States. In this address he was not only eloquent but forceful and made an extremely favorable impression on the enormous concourse of the best people in New Mexico who attended the inaugural exercises.

Governor Larrazolo is the fourth to occupy the Executive Chair under statehood but the first Republican Governor and is determined to give us the best administration which the state has ever had.

This address was so strong and so punctuated with bristling suggestions that we give it in full:

Fellow Citizens:

The oath that I have just taken before the worthy Chief Justice of our Supreme Court, is the solemn pledge that you, under the Constitution, demand of me for the faithful performance of the duties of the high office to which your generous partiality has elected me.

For the distinguished honor that you have thus so graciously conferred, I beg to assure you that I feel deeply indebted to you, and for myself and voicing the sentiments of all the members of my family, I thank you all, and assure you that this proof of your esteem and confidence will be treasured as a sacred and respected heirloom by all those who bear my name.

Yet, while deeply impressed and emotioned by this spontaneous testimonial of popular friendship, I am not unmindful of the heavy and most serious responsibilities of the duties imposed; the fact that under our form of Government a public office is a public trust, that the officer, be his position ever so high and exalted, is but the servant of the public charged and commissioned by it with the duty of administering public affairs in the interest of the commonwealth, are all circumstances ever present in my mind, coupled with the certainty that disgrace and public condemnation will certainly be visited upon the faithless servant who betrays his trust.

Confidently hoping, however, that in your kindness of heart you will pass judgment on my official conduct, viewing it in the light of its honesty of purpose and good will, rather than from the standpoint of its failure of salutary accomplishments, I approach my task in an untried field, with the confidence born of a set purpose and firm determination to do my whole duty honestly, for the welfare of our State, and without fear or favor, as God gives me that duty to understand. In this my solemn undertaking, I find further encouragement in the belief which my intimate knowledge of you sanctions, and which your conduct here today further justifies, that in my administration of the affairs of State, I will have the good wishes and the cheerful and whole-hearted co-operation not only of my political friends, but of you, honest Democrats, who after having loyally stood by your political convictions, and given undivided support to the distinguished son of Rio Arriba, will also rally to the support of your Chief Executive in his earnest efforts to serve the State, because patriots as you all are, you know that our country should be foremost in all our acts and thoughts and our party should come next.

With these assurances, and humbly invoking the Divine assistance and guidance of Him who rules the universe, I now assume the duties and responsibilities entrusted to my keeping, with a serene confidence in the judgment of posterity, and of you, my fellow citizens.

To the incoming State administration will fall the duty of

making proper provision, in harmonious co-operation with the Federal Government, for the reception and proper employment of that army of young heroes, who, with manly courage and patriotic devotion, upheld the honor and the dignity of our flag in foreign lands; they, who in co-operation with our mighty Allies beyond the seas, brought the arrogant Hun to his knees and made him bow humbly before this noble emblem of Liberty, deserve well of their country, and we should be solicitous for their future happiness and welfare.

Provision should also be made, in such manner as may appear feasible, to render material assistance to the farmers and live stock men, who have suffered so much by reason of the drought, to the end that those great sources of revenue in the economic life of our

Our New Governor



OCTAVIANO A. LARRAZOLO.

State may not be permanently and irreparably injured and set back.

Public education must be not only encouraged but compelled, if we would have this magnificent Government of ours to survive, and spare the nation the horrible and bloody scenes that have converted Russia into a land of crime and barbarism. To that end, our institutions of learning, penal institutions and other establishments kept and maintained by the State, must be made to serve and answer the purposes of their creation, and not used as a political asset.

Good roads are a positive necessity in the State; they serve the demands not only of the traveling public, but are of incalculable value and advantage to the farmer; besides, they invite the tourist and sight-seer and thus become efficient advertising mediums of the varied resources of our soil, and will eventually bring immigration and capital to our State.

Our State forms part of the so-called dry belt of the United States, and while our exceptionally rich soil often yields abundant crops under the modern system of dry farming, yet it is unquestionably true that agriculture under the ancient system of irrigation that has been practiced here since the early days of colonization in the Sixteenth Century, is by far the most satisfactory and certain of productiveness; hence every acre of land susceptible of irrigation should be utilized. Many thousands of acres in the Rio Grande valley, of as rich soil as can be found any where in the world, are now converted into swamps and thus lost to the farmer's plow. Some method or process of drainage should be adopted and put in practical operation for the purpose of reclaiming this vast area of most valuable land, at the earliest possible time.

The people have a right to demand that economy, as distinguished from extravagance, be practiced and observed in the administration of the Government; yet, taxation, be it ever so light, is always a vexatious proposition, and one that in the nature of things cannot and will not deal with equal justice in all cases, and this by reason of its complexity which baffles all efforts, be they ever so well intentioned, to find general rules or to make classifications which will apply with equal justice to kindred subjects of taxation differently situated and conditioned. At its very best, that is a matter that requires the best and undivided efforts and constant

study and attention of men qualified and mentally equipped for that delicate undertaking. On this subject such legislation will be recommended as shall be considered to be best calculated to accomplish the desired results.

I might properly close my remarks at this point, without further taxing your patience and benevolent attention; but I am loath to let this opportunity pass without calling the attention of the young men of our State to the lessons taught us by the happenings of this day, so eminently calculated to inspire us all to higher and nobler efforts and endeavor.

Men are born under vastly different conditions and circumstances; and the poor man's son who measures his probabilities of success in life by comparison with the means that capricious fortune has scattered in the path of wealth and influence, is apt to lose heart at sight of what at first glance may appear to him to be a most unequal struggle; yet, if he will only appeal to his Mother land for counsel and advice, he will hear the encouraging voice of his beloved country say to him: "My son, be not disheartened by the circumstance of birth; you are all my children and, within the pale of the law, you all stand on an equal plane, with equal rights, with equal privileges and with equal opportunities; for, behold, if it fell to the lot of the immortal Washington, born of rich parentage, to lead the Armies of the Revolution and to secure the independence of your country, it became the glorious privilege of the son of toil and labor to save that country from destruction, to unify it and to make it the proud and noble nation to which you belong," and so it has come to pass that both conditions in life, typified in Lincoln and Washington, upon the altar of our common country, now receive, and for generations without end will receive, the undivided respect, veneration and loving gratitude of mankind.

Those two noble figures, surrounded by a bright galaxy of resplendent names who adorn the political firmament of your country, proclaim to you and to the world that in the land of the Stars and Stripes there are no privileged classes, but that the avenues to place and distinction are open equally to you all, if you will but do your part, and follow strictly the road that leads to immortality. But remember, my young friends, that there are no short cuts whereby you may reach that end; those short cuts that always look inviting and alluring, invariably prove fatal and end in tragedy; there is but one sure road to success, and that is not a path of roses either, it is rather a Via Dolorosa, such as marked the progress of the innocent martyr of Golgotha; but at the end there is a crown.

Hence, I say to you, young men of New Mexico, who are now basking in the bright sunlight of life's alluring spring-time, if you would still add other gallant pages to the proud history of our State, seek inspiration from the great men that have arisen from the various walks of life in our common country, and you will not fail, for it has been truthfully said by a poet that

"Lives of great men all remind us
We can make our own sublime,
And, departing, leave behind us
Footprints on the sands of time."

Mainly About Prominent People

Hon. Harry W. Owens, district attorney of Valencia, Socorro and Sierra counties, will attend the term of court at Hillsboro on the 15th. Mr. Owens is a leading attorney of the Southwest.

Monday evening Mr. and Mrs. John Becker jr., Mrs. L. C. Becker, Miss Lucie Becker, Miss Naomi Becker and Ben Becker motored up to Albuquerque.

Highway Superintendent St. Morris, a very prominent engineer of the southwest, has commenced work on the cut off road between Alameda and the Hog Back.

Thos. A. Capt, the efficient general manager of the Valencia Land and Live Stock Co., was in Belen Friday.

Mrs. John Becker jr. wife of the Vice President of the First National bank visited friends in Albuquerque during the holidays.

Royally Entertained by Sheriff and Mrs. Jaramillo

LAST MONDAY Manuel Garcia, chairman of the County Commissioners; Abel Vigil and Candelario Jaramillo members of the County Commissioners; Probate Judge Ignacio Aragon y Garcia and M. W. Musgrove were entertained at dinner by Sheriff Placido Jaramillo and Mrs. Jaramillo. It was a truly royal affair. The charming hostess is one of Los Lunas most amiable ladies.

Salome Jaramillo has been appointed under sheriff.

Telesforo Mirabal has been appointed deputy County Clerk.

Our old friend Richard Pohl has been designated as deputy County Treasurer. Mr. Pohl is very favorably known in Valencia County as a careful, conservative, reliable man.

Diego Aragon, for many years a prominent merchant of Los Lunas, is the new County Clerk.

IMPORTANT

NEAR BELEN NEWS OFFICE

Belen, N. M.

I am prepared to do all kinds of repairing such as watches, clocks of all kinds. Jewellery, size rings larger or smaller. Can take old scraps of gold and make you a ring. I do all kinds of gold, silver and soft soldering such as broken rings, spectacles and chains. No matter what it is, it can be fixed. Also repair umbrellas, parasols and put new covers on if desired. I have been in this work for twenty-five years, and have done a great deal of rail road watch repairing for the Erie, Big Four, Hocken Valley and Penn. R. R. I guarantee all my work. Bring in your work and let me prove to you as to my ability in the above stated.

I am located in the Gilbert building on South Main street
A. V. JOHNSTON.

LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE DISTRICT COURT, VA-
LENCIA COUNTY, NEW
MEXICO.

J. B. Stillwell, :
Plaintiff, :
vs. :
Mable Stillwell, :
Defendant. :

Notice of Suit

To the above named defend-
and, Mable Stillwell:

You are hereby notified that suit has been brought against you in the District Court of the Seventh Judicial District of the State of New Mexico in and for the County of Valencia by the above named plaintiff praying for an absolute divorce on the grounds of abandonment and desertion and for custody of their minor children Homer C. and Mable Irene. And you are further notified that unless you be and appear at the Court House of the County of Valencia in the State of New Mexico or answer the complaint filed in this cause on or before the 14th day of February, A. D. 1919, at 10 o'clock A. M. of said day, a decree pro confesso will be entered against you and the relief prayed for will be granted.

The attorneys for plaintiff are Barnes and Livingston and their place of business is at Belen, New Mexico.

witness my hand and the seal of said Court this 23rd day of December, A. D. 1918.

[Seal] J. M. Luna
District Clerk.

By W. D. Newcomb
Deputy.

Jan. 2, 4 T.

Save
that we may share
Save food

METHODS OF DEMOCRACY.

The extent to which the United States Food Administrator has relied on the voluntary support of the American people is shown by a statement made by the United States Food Administrator speaking before the Senate Agricultural Committee less than three months after this country entered the war. That he was justified in his implicit confidence in the strength of democracy has been clearly reflected by the measure of support we have lent the Allies.

"If democracy is worth anything," Mr. Hoover declared, "we can do these things by co-operation, by stimulation, by self-sacrifice, by the patriotic mobilization of the brains of this country. If it cannot be done in this manner it is better that we accept German domination and confess to failure of our political ideals, acquiesce in the superiority of the German conception and send for the Germans to instruct us in its use."

The benefits of our food-saving campaign that was a vital factor in the winning of the war were not all to these we fed. We have at home a new appreciation of food that will prevent it ever being wasted again by those that have come to understand the religion of saving and the place that food occupies in our new, world-wide human relations.

Out of empty granaries to draw 141,000,000 bushels for export—the will of a free people accomplished that marvel.

Do you remember when food control by voluntary action was deemed a daring adventure in democracy?

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BELEN, N. M.

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