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ABOLITION OF
THE WAR TAX

The House Committee on Ways and Means
Favors Its Abolition.

PLENTY OF AVAILABLE CASH

The Managers of Coal Mines Must Employ Professional
Shot-Firemen—A Bill Introduced for Proper Ventila-
tion of Mines in the Territories.

Washington, Jan. 30.—The senate has confirmed the following New Mexico nominations: Morgan O. Llewellyn to be surveyor general for the district of New Mexico; Manuel E. Otero to be register of the United States land office at Santa Fe; Howard Leland to be register of the United States land office at Roswell; Nicolas Galles to be register of the United States land office at Las Cruces, and H. D. Bowman to be receiver of the United States land at Las Cruces.

HOUSE.

Washington, Jan. 30.—The house committee on ways and means unanimously agreed to report the bill repealing all Spanish war revenue taxes except the tax on mixed flour.

The repeal is to take effect July 1, 1902, except the duty on tea, which is to take effect January 1, 1903. The total reduction amounts to \$77,000,000 annually. The delay in the repeal of the tax on tea is for the purpose of enabling those who have stocks on hand to dispose of them. Chairman Payne says the country will start upon the next fiscal year with \$174,000,000 of available cash.

Lacey of Iowa, author of the bill, urged the offered amendment providing that managers of coal mines should employ shot-firemen. The amendment was adopted and the bill passed. The house, in committee of the whole, entered upon the consideration of the bill for the creation of a permanent census bureau.

FOR PROTECTION OF MINERS.

Washington, Jan. 30.—Moody of Oregon, from the committee on mining, presented a bill for the protection of the lives of miners in the territories. It provides that in every mine over 100 feet in depth the mine owners shall be required to provide 5,000 cubic feet of pure air for every 50 miners.

PROTECTION OF BUFFALO.

Washington, Jan. 30.—The senate adopted a resolution, offered by Proctor, directing the secretaries of the interior and agriculture to report the facts they possess regarding the preservation of bison, and whether any steps ought to be taken to prevent the extinction of the animals.

PRESIDENTIAL SUCCESSION.

The Hoar resolution, proposing an amendment to the constitution respecting succession to the presidency in case a president-elect should die between his election and date of inauguration, was passed.

ADMIRAL SCHLEY'S DOINGS.

Parade Abandoned.—He Visits a Number of Public Institutions.

Louisville, Ky., Jan. 30.—Admiral Schley was today the guest of the Louisville Knights Templars. The parade was abandoned, owing to bad weather. The admiral visited the girls high school, Masonic widow's and orphan's home and industrial school of reform, being received with the utmost enthusiasm by the children.

Jim Howard Convicted.

Frankfort, Ky., Jan. 30.—The jury found Jim Howard guilty and fixed his punishment at life imprisonment.

The Wool Market.

St. Louis, Jan. 30.—Wool is strong; territory and western medium, 16 @ 18; fine, 19 @ 17; coarse, 12 @ 14.

MARKET REPORT.

MONEY AND METAL.

New York, Jan. 30.—Money on call steady at 2 1/2 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 4 @ 5 per cent. Silver, 55 1/2.

New York, Jan. 30.—Copper strong at 12 1/2 @ 13 1/2. Lead firm and unchanged.

GRAIN.

Chicago, Jan. 30.—Wheat, January, 75 1/2 @ 75 3/4; May, 78 1/2 @ 78 3/4. Corn, January, 60; May, 63 @ 63 1/2. Oats, January, 43 1/2; May, 44 1/2.

PORE, LARD, RIBS.

Pork, January, \$15.05; May, \$15.90. Lard, January, \$9.37 1/2; May, \$9.45 1/2. Ribs, January, \$3.22 1/2; May, \$3.45 1/2.

STOCKS.

Kansas City, Jan. 30.—Cattle, receipts, 80,000; steady. Native beef steers, \$4.85 @ \$5.50; Texas and Indian steers \$3.90 @ \$5.25; Texas cows, \$2.50 @ \$4.25; native cows and heifers, \$3.00 @ \$3.25; stockers and feeders, \$3.60 @ \$4.85; bulls, \$2.50 @ \$4.50; calves, \$4.00 @ \$6.25.

Sheep, receipts, 14,000; steady. Good to choice mixed, \$4.50 @ \$5.00; fair to choice mixed, \$3.75 @ \$4.50; western sheep, \$4.00 @ \$5.45; native lambs, \$3.00 @ \$5.00; western lambs, \$3.50 @ \$5.00.

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WALLER'S EXPEDITION
ACROSS SAMAR

A Number of Casualties in Porter's Command
—The Detachment at Lanang Rescued.

MUCH OF THE CREDIT IS DUE TO SHOEMAKER

Washington, Jan. 30.—Secretary Long today received the following cablegram from Rear Admiral Rodgers at Cavite, concerning the march of marines across Samar: "Details of Waller's expedition across Samar have not yet been received. Credit is due Shoemaker for services rendered in connection with the rescue of the detachment at Lanang. The marines at Samar will be relieved in about ten days. The following are the casualties of Captain Porter's command in attempting to march from Lanang to Borey, Samar: Lieutenant A. S. Willis, slightly wounded in the chest and wearing a severe case of W. Slattery and seven privates, condition serious from weeping eczema; Privates P. J. Connell, T. Sanjule, C. N. Foster, T. Brett, J. Woods, F. F. Brown, T. Murray, M. Bassett, L. A. Bailey and J. Barone are missing; all hope is abandoned."

STANDARD LIGHT AND POWER CO.

The County Attorney Asks for the Forfeiture of Its
Charter.

Dallas, Texas, Jan. 30.—A suit has been filed here by the county attorney against Granville P. Meade, federal court receiver for the Standard Light and Power Company of Dallas. The petition alleges that the Standard Company entered into a combination for the purpose of defrauding the plaintiff in the sum of \$5,000 a day for 314 days or \$1,570,000. Forfeiture of the charter is asked for.

Mrs. McKinley's Cousin Dead.

St. Joseph, Mo., Jan. 30.—Mrs. Melissa Emily Saxton, widow of James Saxton, and cousin of Mrs. McKinley, died last night of general debility, aged 84.

Ex-Congressman Dead.

Providence, R. I., Jan. 30.—Ex-Congressman Charles Sprague of Massachusetts died at the sanitarium here today.

GOOD RESERVOIR SCHEME.

It is to Reclaim 20,000 Acres of Government Land
in Socorro County.

E. W. Brown, a prosperous Socorro county stockman, is making a survey for a big storage reservoir 38 miles from San Marcial near Dripping Springs, Socorro county. The proposed dam is to carry an average depth of 25 feet of water and will cover 650 acres of ground. It is estimated that with its help 20,000 acres can be put under cultivation. The land to be reclaimed is at present government land. The formation is limestone and it is estimated that 72 hours of rain in a season will fill the reservoir. An average of twelve inches a year is to be furnished each of the 20,000 acres to be reclaimed. The site is known as the Hopewell tank. It is so peculiarly formed that it will be possible to construct a part of the dam now, use it with the water it stores and add to its capacity whenever it is convenient. It will be built in sections in other words. The site is eight miles north of the high ridge at the north end of the San Andres mountains; and the whole of the water falling into a catchment basin of seven miles east and west by nine miles north and south is drained into Grapevine basin and would be available for the proposed reservoir.

THE NEW KLONDIKE.

A Gold District in Lincoln County Which Promises Much
for the Future.

The New Klondike is the name of the new gold camp on the south fork of the Bonito in Lincoln county. The discovery claim is now known as the Free Gold claim. A. R. Byrd, who purchased this claim has put a force of men to work sinking on it. Tests of the ore made by assayers shows it to run from \$100 to \$5,000 per ton, while in the rich pockets it runs up to \$20,000 per ton. Mr. Byrd has acquired 25 adjoining claims, from some of which \$1,000 a ton ore is being taken. Byrd spent \$15,000 in buying up or locating these claims. Since the boom began \$100,000 have exchanged hands for claims in the district.

SHOT HIMSELF.

The Peculiar Accident That Befell a Rancher on the
Gila River.

John Lee, a rancher, living near Cliff, on the Gila river, Grant county, shot himself accidentally, a revolver dropping out of his pocket and being discharged by the fall. The bullet entered Mr. Lee's body at a point below the shoulder blade and passed through one lung near the sternum. He was taken overland to Silver City where his wound was dressed at the hospital. He has a fair chance for recovery. Mr. Lee was married but a few months ago and his wife was alone with him when the accident occurred.

Another Timber Thief Caught.

Captain W. C. Reid, of Las Vegas, assistant United States attorney, and Deputy Marshal Frank Hall have made several important catches recently in Lincoln county, among them being the notorious timber thief, C. E. Harrison, who for the past two years has given the authorities so much trouble.

Stole \$250 Worth of Tools.

Saturday night thieves broke open the tool house of the new electric railway company at Las Vegas, and secured about \$250 worth of tools.

Well Drilling Resumed.

The boring for oil at Coeks, Luna county, which had been interrupted for lack of coal has been resumed and is being pushed right ahead.

CONDEMNED
MEN ESCAPE

Two Brothers Awaiting Execution Make Good
Their Escape.

GUARDS LOCKED IN CELLS

They Evidently Had Assistance from the Outside as
Each Was Armed With a Revolver, and
One Guard Was Shot.

Pittsburg, Pa., Jan. 30.—Edward and James Biddle, awaiting execution at the county jail for the murder of George Thomas D. Khancy of Mount Washington, overpowered the guards early this morning and escaped. They cut the bars of their cells with saws. They evidently had assistance, as each had a revolver. Three guards were locked in the dungeon after one was shot. The Biddles then unlocked the outside gates and passed into the street.

Warden Peter K. Soffert authorized the statement that his wife is responsible for furnishing the revolvers and saws to the Biddles which enabled them to escape. In her infatuation for the handsome desperado, Edward Biddle, it is alleged she left her husband and four children and, it is supposed, is to meet the escaped convicts at a place agreed upon.

After the Khancy murder on April 12 last, Detective Patrick Fitzgerald and two officers surprised the Biddle brothers at their home, but before they were captured, Fitzgerald was killed and Edward Biddle, who shot him, was dangerously wounded.

Walter Dorman, Jessie Bodine and Jennie Seebers were also arrested. Dorman turned state's evidence, and the two Biddles were convicted of Khancy's murder. The women were released.

It is reported that the Biddles took a train for the west on the Panhandle railroad, which is within a block of jail. It has been known for several weeks that Mrs. Soffert has taken an interest in the Biddles, frequently furnishing them with dainties. The county commissioners have offered a reward of \$5,000 for the recapture of the murderers.

DISPUTE OVER A RANCH.

John J. Tobin and George H. Conard Get to Shooting at
Each Other.

John J. Tobin shot and seriously wounded George H. Conard, a well known cattleman at the Burns ranch on the Santa Fe-Pacific. The ranch was in possession of Conard, but during his absence Tobin took possession. When Conard returned he commenced putting some feed in the barn. Tobin objected and called to his wife for a gun. Conard started for his rifle, which was in the wagon, and as he did so, Tobin ran back into the house. Conard then started again to the barn with a box of feed when Tobin appeared and commenced shooting. The first charge of buckshot passed over Conard's head, the second striking him in the face. The second charge struck Conard in the right arm as he had it raised up holding the box on his shoulder. Had it not been for the box Conard's head would have been torn off. Tobin had emptied his shotgun and is alleged to have called to his wife to get Conard's rifle and kill him. She is said to have handed the rifle to Tobin, who fired at Conard as he was getting out of range, hitting him the third time in the left leg above the knee. The ranch has been in dispute for some time, but recently the court in a trial rendered a decision favorable to Conard.

BIG SANITARIUM.

At Silver City the Sisters of Mercy Will Erect a \$35,000
Structure Built According to Modern Plans.

Mother Paul of the Sisters of Mercy is at Silver City to conclude the preliminaries for the erection of a \$35,000 sanitarium in the Grant county capital. Work on the building is to commence in February. It is to be built upon the Old Mission plan with a court or plaza. Being but one room in depth it will really be a succession of separate rooms or cottages. Extensive porches and a solarium are to give patients a chance to spend as much time as possible in the sunshine. A laboratory is to be built in connection with the sanitarium. The new building will be large enough to accommodate one hundred patients.

Telephone Directors Elected.

The Grant County Telephone Company at a meeting held at Silver City, elected the following directors: W. D. Murray, J. W. Bible, A. F. Witzel, James Murray and Robert Bible. The directors elected W. D. Murray, president; J. W. Bible, vice president and general manager; and A. F. Witzel, secretary and treasurer. F. W. Reed was elected superintendent. The capital stock of the company was increased from \$10,000 to \$35,000.

Rock Drilling Contest.

Richard Conway, the champion single hand driller of Cripple Creek, Colo., who is on his way home from the drilling contest at El Paso, reports one of the best contests ever held. While Tarr Brothers beat the terrible Swedes, it was a close contest. Mr. Conway himself carried off several valuable prizes.

Giving Work to the Indians.

Six Laguna Indians were taken to Gallup last week. Five of them will be employed as laborers at the roundhouse and the sixth will act as hostler's helper. The latter is Chas. Kya, who has had charge of the Laguna Indians who have been employed on the coal chutes for the past year.



JUDGE FRANK W. PARKER
Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of New Mexico and Judge of the Third
Judicial District.

Hon. Frank W. Parker, associate justice of the territorial supreme court, was born at Sturgis, Michigan, on October 16, 1860, and he is therefore still a comparatively young man for the honor of serving a second term as associate justice of the supreme court. He acquired a literary education in the Sturgis High School and after graduating entered upon a course of study in the famous law school of the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor. He graduated in 1880, not yet twenty years of age.

In September, 1881, Judge Parker came to New Mexico, locating first at Mesilla, Dona Ana county, and in the fall of 1882, removing to Kingston, Sierra county. In 1883, he took up his residence at Hillsboro, in the same county.

As a judge, he is strictly impartial, and his legal learning has stood the test of review by the territorial and the United States supreme courts. He has presided in quite a number of celebrated trials and his opinions are characterized by thoroughness, legal ability and unquestioned fairness. Judge Parker was appointed to the bench of the supreme court on December 18, 1897, by President McKinley, was confirmed by the United States senate on January 10, 1898. He was reappointed by President Roosevelt on December 12, 1901, and was confirmed by the United States senate on December 17, 1901, taking the oath of office on January 9, 1902.

The excellent record made by Judge Parker during his first term as an associate justice of the supreme court of New Mexico brought about his reappointment and shift before the many requests and recommendations for his reappointment, from all sections of the territory and from citizens of different political beliefs, reached the executive department in Washington. Judge Parker is quite a young man and judging by his past record and the popularity he enjoys throughout the territory, high judicial honors are certainly in store for him when the people of New Mexico form a state government.

GRANT COUNTY MINES.

Much Development is Being Done on the West Side
of the Pinos Altos Range.

Considerable development work has been going on this winter eight miles north of Silver City on the west side of the Pinos Altos range in Grant county. Several of the claims north of Webster Gulch, belonging to Peter Crumrine, Woodbury, Waters, Houston and associates, make a remarkable showing of ore, carrying gold, silver, copper and iron in sulphide form and of considerable value.

George H. Utter is developing the Cleveland Copper group at Pinos Altos with a force of six men. He has opened up and continued the 20-foot tunnel on the Copper Extension, east, by cutting a ten foot pay shoot of low grade copper carbonates. In the main tunnel on the Copper Extension on vein No. 4, a few shots were put in which exposed a body of solid sulphide ore six feet wide carrying chalcocite iron sulphides, blende and silver, pay values averaging \$40 per ton. In continuing this 200-foot tunnel the men cut through the Dolomite, exposing vein No. 6, which shows three feet of sulphide ore similar to vein No. 4, but richer in copper sulphides and carrying less blende. The ore body is cut at a depth of nearly 200 feet. The tunnel is to be continued to cut veins Nos. 7, 8, 9 and 10. The face of the tunnel will strike vein No. 7 within twenty feet. This ore body shows a surface cropping over 100 feet wide of iron oxides and several copper exposures in the same vein from which many shipments of ore have been made.

The Arizona mine is now the principal producer at Pinos Altos. The main shaft has been sunk to a depth of 104 feet below the second level. A contract has been let for 100 feet of drifting from the bottom of the shaft which is entirely in ore, and in which there is a very rich streak of two feet, one smelter returns from which give .405 ounces in gold, 17.7 ounces of silver and 3.80 per cent of copper, a value of \$82.30 to the ton. Twenty men are employed and three shifts are working on the drifting contract.

The smelter at Lordsburg is to be enlarged. The California capitalists who are putting up the money for the plant which is treating custom ores are convinced that the future prospects of the district are such as to warrant the enlargement of the plant. The principal ores treated are copper.

The Michigan-New Mexico Copper Company is pushing work on its claims in the Little Burro mountains, Grant county. On the Copper Dyke mine the shaft has reached a depth of 40 feet. This working is following a three-foot vein of shipping ore. Assays give average values of 11 per cent of copper and \$5.50 in gold and silver per ton. Over a carload of ore is on the dump ready for shipment. The shaft will be sunk to a depth of 150 feet and then cross-cuts will be run. The same company is also working the Iron Dyke. In cutting through the iron cap hematite was encountered which assays 65 per cent. The dyke can be traced on the surface for a long distance. To ascertain its extent a

OFFICIAL MATTERS.

POSTMASTERS APPOINTED.

Jacob Regensburg has been appointed postmaster at Guadalupita, Mora county and Dominick Cassan at Colmar, Colfax county.

COLLECTOR MORRISON'S OFFICE IS RATED NO. 1.

The following official communication was received on yesterday at the office of the internal revenue collector for the district of New Mexico and Arizona: Washington, D. C., January 24, 1902. A. L. Morrison, Esq., Collector of Internal Revenue, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Sir: Your office was examined on the 16th instant by Revenue Agent George E. Fletcher, who reports the cash, lists and stamps in balance, records neatly kept and written up to date, employees competent and attentive to duty, and the office in general good condition. The grade of your office is fixed at No. 1.

J. W. Yerkes, Com.

SLEET DOES GREAT
DAMAGE IN SOUTH

Many Towns to the West of Memphis Were
Visited, and Caused Much Loss.

THE DYERSBURG OPERA-HOUSE IS WRECKED

Memphis, Tenn., Jan. 30.—In many towns west of Memphis heavy damage is reported from the weight of sleet on the roofs. At Little Rock, Ark., a dozen buildings were wrecked. Reported loss will reach half a million dollars. At Dyersburg, Tenn., the opera house is practically wrecked. Heavy damage is also reported at Union City, Tenn.

IN THE SUPREME COURT.

Several Important Cases Taken Under Advice.—
Appeal From Other Courts.

In the supreme court, Tuesday, January 28, the following cases were disposed of:

Case No. 768, W. H. Miller vs. City of Socorro, Jno. H. McCutcheon and Jas. M. Hill, error to district court, Socorro county; motion for appeal to United States circuit court of appeals was denied.

The temporary license of F. R. Conway was, upon application and proper showing, extended to January term of 1902.

Case No. 934, Territory ex rel. E. J. McLean and Company vs. The Denver and Rio Grande Railroad Company, appeal from district court, Bernalillo county, argument concluded and case submitted to and taken under advisement.

Case 943, J. Frank Aldrich, receiver, vs. Edgar M. Young, appeal from district court, Grant county, argued by consent and submitted to court.

Case 918, Lindauer Mercantile Co. vs. John J. Boyd et al., argument not being concluded case was continued to Thursday morning.

Court adjourned on Thursday morning at 10 o'clock.

THURSDAY.

Case No. 857, Territory of New Mexico vs. John Wilburn, order entered directing monies collected from the forfeiture of the bond on Judgment against Carter and Pierce sureties of Wilburn, now in the hands of the clerk and to be hereafter collected and paid to the treasurer of Union county for the benefit of the Union county court fund.

Case No. 900, Bank of Commerce vs. Geo. W. Harrison, appeal from district court of Bernalillo county, a motion was made for appeal to the supreme court and granted, and bond of \$10,000 approved by the chief justice.

Case No. 918, continued from Tuesday afternoon, argument concluded and case went to the court.

In two matter of E. E. Neal, suspension from practice, the court directed a rule on the clerk of the 3d judicial district, to certify to this court a full transcript of all proceedings.

Case No. 919, John W. Gill vs. W. C. Wallis, appeal from district court of Grant county, is being argued.

THE BISBEE RAILROAD.

It Will Be Completed by February 10—Constructing
from Both Ends.

Paschal R. Smith of Deming, says the Bisbee railway line will be completed by February 10 to Deming, as construction is in progress from both ends. Trains will be run from Benson through Bisbee and Douglas to Deming. It is announced that trackage over the Santa Fe from Deming has been secured, and that the Bisbee trains will come to this until the line from Deming can be built down the other side of the Rio Grande. Little is being done on this route, owing to injunctions in favor of the Southern Pacific. Mr. Smith says the Bisbee will not get tracks laid to El Paso for a year, but will come to the city. The grading from Lordsburg to Hachita is nearly finished and the steel will be laid before the end of March. This will connect Clifton and Morenci with the Bisbee and El Paso system.

The Bisbee people stoutly deny that they ever intended to delay construction on the El Paso end, and assert that the Southern Pacific gossip to that effect was unwarranted. But complications as to a bridge and injunctions make it necessary to deliver steel for the road at Deming and lay track from that end.

New Mexico Deaths.

Frederick T. Shelton, an old timer in New Mexico, died at Silver City, aged 59 years, 9 months and 14 days. He was a native of New York, served in the Union army and came to Silver City in

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 30.

New Mexico Demands Statehood of the 57th Congress.

Of Right and in Justice New Mexico Should Be a State.

The people of New Mexico are getting tired of being governed from Washington. They want statehood.

Richard Croker has sailed for Europe and thus has another great Democratic light being squelched.

The county debt question must be settled. It is up to the bondholders now to give the county an answer.

Our British cousins did this country a good turn during the Spanish-American war and this will not be forgotten.

From force of habit the New Mexican Republican reform leaguers and the yellow sheets in their pay are still barking.

The young woman who was engaged to Marconi and broke off the engagement says she did it because she had changed her mind. A woman's privilege.

Despite the extreme cold weather in Colorado the oil fever runs high? Nine new companies to drill for mineral oil were incorporated in the Centennial state last Monday.

There may be deficiencies in many respects, but there is certainly no deficiency in the amount of talk indulged in by senators and members of the house of representatives in Washington, these sprightly winter days.

During the recent cold snap, the thermometer at Denver and Colorado Springs ranged from 25 to 40 degrees below what it indicated in Santa Fe. Comment is unnecessary. He who runs may read and profit thereby.

The General Electric Company will increase its plant at Niagara Falls which harnesses the stupendous falls to 200,000 horse power. What an enormous amount of wealth has been lost by not harnessing these falls a few centuries sooner!

Judging by the hearings now being heard upon the question of concessions to the Cuban sugar planters it is safe to assert that neither the cane sugar trust nor the beet sugar manufacturers are sweet on each other, although they deal in nothing but sweets.

Admiral Schley's appeal to the president from the decision of the naval court of inquiry in his case, contains 35,000 words. If the president reads the appeal he will have an idea of how people feel when they have to read lengthy presidential messages.

Water is more important than land in New Mexico and therefore as much as possible should be done to develop new sources of water supply and to conserve the old supplies. New Mexico without water is a desert, with water it is a paradise.

The outlook for copper is better. It is reported that the Rio Tinto copper mines in Spain, the greatest copper producers in Europe, will reduce their copper output during the coming month by 20 per cent. That means considerable for the copper producing counties of this territory.

The South Carolina legislature has enacted a statute providing that it shall be unlawful for any person in that state to carry a pistol unless it is twenty-two inches long and weighs three pounds. The provision of the new act will prove quite a burden on the average South Carolinian.

The president-elect of the new Cuban republic, Estrada de Palma, asserts, and that truthfully, that the Cubans owe everything to the United States. However, some of the Cubans seem to have forgotten this already and the collection of the debt by Uncle Sam from all appearances will be very slow.

One of the strangest facts noticed in New Mexico every winter is that there isn't a town that doesn't complain of a coal famine several times during the season and yet the coal deposits of New Mexico are large enough to supply the whole world with fuel for a great many years.

The citizens of the capital of New Mexico should elect four progressive and public-spirited citizens to be members of the city board of education at the April city election. This action on their part would go a great way toward the construction of two modern school houses here during the year 1902.

The Silver City Independent wants to have the Mogollon country of Socorro county annexed to Grant county. It claims that it will save the court fund of Socorro county and would please both the inhabitants of the Mogollon district as well as of Grant county. If that is the case it should take but a little hard work in the next legislative assembly to make the change which seems to be opposed from no quarter. But some other people besides those of Grant county must be given a hearing on the subject.

It looks now as if the Pacific cable from California via Hawaii and Guam to the Philippine Islands will be constructed by the government and will therefore be a government institution. This seems the most sensible way out of the difficulty. The government certainly ought to own its own cable to its new insular possessions.

The yellow Las Vegas Optic is shedding bitter tears because, as it asserts, there is strife in Republican ranks in New Mexico and because some Republican candidates for office had been disappointed and some Republican officials had not been reappointed. Crocodile tears, these, however, and of no more value than wind in the burlesques.

The gasoline engine is doing good work in New Mexico and elsewhere in the development and exploitation of mines, the pumping of water and the driving of machinery for small industries. The gasoline engine does not figure in poetry nor in history, but it is nevertheless doing great work, especially in the arid west.

It is terrible weather they have been having the past few days in the middle west and in the northwest. It is the kind of weather that furnishes recruits for the sanitariums in New Mexico. It does seem strange that so many wealthy people will prefer to live in a climate that is so uncomfortable and death dealing when almost at their very doors is New Mexico with its fine winter and summer weather.

The beer brewers of the country claim that they are being ruined by the war tax upon beer. This statement, however, is not believed. The beer brewers are among the most prosperous people in the country and are getting richer right along. Many of the Spanish-American war taxes could very properly be reduced entirely or abolished, but beer should not be in the list. If there is any business in the United States that can well afford to pay high taxes, it is that of the brewers of beer.

People who are in position to know assert that New Mexico has at last discovered its Cipri Creek on the Bonito in Lincoln county is a little too early however. A prediction, but that the finds of gold and silver within the past few years are phenomenal and if taken into consideration the establishment of a new town in that part of the new district has been chosen, yet so striking attention.

The investigation and the verdict of the coroner's jury in the recent fatal accident that occurred in the New York Central railroad tunnel in New York City, shows conclusively that it was the fault of official mismanagement and carelessness. The railroad officials had been warned of the danger attending traffic in the tunnel, but were either too lazy or too careless to give heed to the warnings of the engineers and firemen. This accident is but one of the many that have occurred on the railroads of the country during the past year and many of these, no doubt, are also due to official mismanagement and carelessness. More stringent laws for the protection of the lives and safety of railroad passengers are the demand of the hour and this demand should be promptly met by appropriate legislation by legislatures all over the country.

THE SUPREME COURT OF THIS TERRITORY IN LINE WITH SUPREME COURTS ELSEWHERE.

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The facts in this matter are as follows: The territorial supreme court in 1897 adopted a rule prescribing the size of pages to be used on all transcripts and briefs on appeal to the court. A similar rule has been in force in the supreme court of the United States for one hundred years, and is also operative in the supreme courts of all the states and territories. This rule is six years old. These facts absolutely controvert the statement made in the above article by the Albuquerque Citizen.

THE RAILROAD TRUSTS.

A few railroad systems, including such important lines as the Santa Fe, have escaped the "community of interest" trust clutches thus far. Latest statistics have it that there are seven railroad trusts in the United States more or less related to each other. The greatest is the Morgan-Hill combine, controlling 37,500 miles of railroads; then comes the Harriman-Kuhn-Loeb system with 21,554 miles; the Vanderbilt system follows with 19,524 miles. Then comes the Gould-Rockefeller system with 16,924 miles; the Pennsylvania system 14,351 miles; the Belmont system 6,123 miles; the New York Central and Pennsylvania combination 3,901 miles. As independent are classed 35,898 miles, the leading independent systems being the Santa Fe with 7,481 miles, the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul 6,461 miles, and the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific with 3,818 miles. The lesser systems are the Boston and Maine 3,338 miles, St. Louis and San Francisco 2,887 miles, Seaboard Air Line 2,800 miles, Plant System 2,207 miles, New York, New Haven and Hartford 2,038 miles, Atlantic Coast Line 2,177 miles, Pere Marquette 1,747 miles, and the Colorado and Southern 1,142 miles, not counting a score of systems with less than 1,000 miles. There are evidently still a few worlds to conquer for the railroad trust promoter, but the day is coming when all the railroad systems of this country like those of Germany, Austria and Belgium will be under one system and that system under government control.

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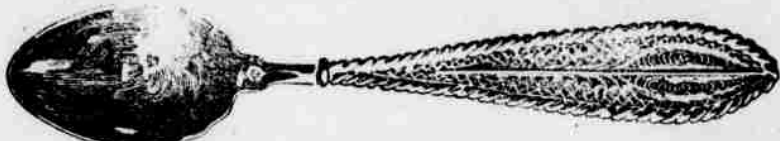
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MINOR CITY TOPICS

Bon-Ton: E. Hull, Cerrillos. Another slight fall of snow last night. Miss Jennie Call has started a school at Cienega with 35 pupils. Exchange: C. W. Ward and M. Yontz, Kansas City; Wm. Merritt, Denver.

Two of Lowitzki's four horse teams have gone to Ortiz to work on the Santa Fe Central.

McKenzie has just completed a big job of plumbing at the Crandall residence, United States government Indian school.

W. H. Goebel has about completed a large wall paper rack for his store and will soon have a fine assortment of wall paper opened for inspection.

Leo Hersch has been obliged to discontinue operations on his new building on "Frisco" street on account of cold weather.

Reliable reports are to the effect that the snow in the Santa Fe range is in many places three feet deep. This will insure a good water supply for the coming spring.

A light snow fell in Pueblo yesterday and the maximum temperature reached only 18 degrees. This morning it was clear and cold, the temperature being 4 degrees below zero at 6 o'clock.

The reception and inaugural ball arranged for by the committee in honor of Governor and Mrs. Otero for Saturday night are public affairs and no invitations have been or will be issued.

The territorial supreme court will adjourn Saturday to meet again in adjourned session during the latter part of March or early in April. The docket will be about cleared up by Saturday.

Bond Brothers of Espanola and Wagon Mound, have about completed the removal of the Staab dry goods stock, recently purchased. This addition will place Bond Brothers in the front rank of New Mexico merchants.

Papers have been filed in the office of District Clerk A. M. Bergere from Taos county in the case of Arthur R. Manby vs. Daniel Martinez et al, to quiet title and for the partition of the Antonio Martinez grant.

The Catholic clergymen of Denver have decided to build a new residence for Bishop Matz of Colorado. The residence will cost between \$10,000 and \$15,000, exclusive of the grounds and furniture, and will be located in the vicinity of the Catholic cathedral in the capital of Colorado.

Palace: C. R. Anderson, Philadelphia; A. A. Keen and wife, Albuquerque; A. W. Schmitz, Conejos, Colo.; Leo Hersch, City; Frank Bond, Espanola; Abe Mecklenberg, New York; J. Zollner and wife, Deadwood, S. D.; J. Linde, Las Vegas; Benj. S. Baker, Albuquerque.

The following officers were installed at the meeting of the local Woodmen last night: Consul commander, J. C. Sears; escort, Frank Andrews; banker, H. S. Kaune; clerk, H. S. Lutz; watchman, A. Seyfert; sentinel, V. D. Lorenz; adviser, Lieutenant, T. A. Herliw; managers, J. H. Gerdes, S. G. Cartwright and N. Salmon. After the installation there was a banquet at the Bon-Ton, served by Caterer John V. Conway.

Mrs. Juana Patron de Ramirez, wife of Juan Ramirez, a farmer living about four miles south of this city, died this morning at 2 o'clock of rheumatic fever. She was aged 64 years and leaves a husband and married daughter in addition to numerous other relatives. She was a sister of Captain Juan Patron, who commanded a militia company during the war in Lincoln county in 1877 and 1878 and who was killed about 20 years ago near Puerto de Luna. Funeral services will be held at the cathedral at 8 o'clock tomorrow morning. Interment at Rosario cemetery.

STILL MORE SNOW.

The Mountains West of Albuquerque Reported Full of the "Beautiful."

Passengers and trainmen arriving from the west report heavy snow in the mountains. It has been continually falling for the past forty-eight hours, and has as yet shown no signs of letting up. This is good news for this section, and indicates an abundance of water for the coming season.

U. S. Weather Bureau Notes.

Forecast for New Mexico: Fair tonight and Friday; rising temperature Friday.

Yesterday the thermometer registered as follows: Maximum temperature, 27 degrees at 1:40 p. m.; minimum, 18 degrees at midnight 39.30. The mean temperature for the 24 hours was 23 degrees. Mean daily humidity, 75 percent. Maximum temperature in sun, 43 degrees. Temperature at 6:00 a. m. today, 17 degrees. Precipitation, .03 of an inch of snow.

Died on His Way Home.

E. F. Walters of Lenox, Ia., who has been living at Albuquerque several months, died en route home while passing the Glorieta mountain Tuesday night. He was accompanied by his brother and family. The body was taken off the train at Las Vegas and prepared for shipment east.

Prominent Dentist Married.

Dr. L. C. Chamberlain, a prominent Albuquerque dentist, was married yesterday morning at Muncie, Ind., to Miss May Heath, sister of Hon. Perry Heath, formerly first assistant postmaster general. Dr. Chamberlain will take his bride to Albuquerque, where she already has a large number of friends.

Arthur G. Wells Again Promoted.

Arthur G. Wells, superintendent of telegraph lines west of Albuquerque, has again been promoted. This time to general manager of the same lines. Mr. Wells is rapidly climbing the ladder of success.

PERSONAL MENTION

Frank Mead of Espanola, is in town. W. B. Childers, United States district attorney, has returned to Albuquerque. Hon. M. S. Otero, ex-governor of New Mexico, is expected to visit here in a few days. J. Zollner and wife, of Deadwood, S. D., are enjoying Santa Fe weather for a few days. Abe Mecklenberg, a New York commercial man, is in the city drumming up business.

James Linde, with life of Las Vegas, is in town on business and calling on his many friends.

Benjamin Weiler of Denver, who has been in the city for a few days, left this morning for Taos.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Armijo will leave this evening on a wedding trip to Philadelphia and other eastern points. Land Commissioner A. A. Keen and wife of Albuquerque, arrived in the city yesterday and are quartered at the Palace.

Associate Justice B. S. Baker returned last evening from Albuquerque and was in attendance on the territorial supreme court today.

Benigno Jaramillo, a ranchman near Pedernal in southeastern Valencia county, is in the capital today on business with Colonel J. Frank Chavez.

Frank W. Emerson, a ranchman on the Upper Pecos river, left this morning for his home near Chaperito, having spent several days here on business.

A. W. Schmitz, a prominent miller of Conejos, Colo., has been spending several days in this city. He reports business in his section brisk, and has only praise for Santa Fe. He returns to Conejos today.

J. J. Burns, superintendent of the first division of the Denver and Rio Grande railroad, with headquarters at Pueblo, Colo., for the past ten years, has resigned to take effect on Saturday next. Mr. Burns is well known in this city.

General Arthur McArthur, United States Army, commanding the Department of Colorado, has gone from Denver to Washington to attend the meeting of the board of army officers charged with the selection of sites of new military posts.

C. R. Anderson of Philadelphia, who is in quest of health, has been spending some time at the Palace. He leaves today for California. Mr. Anderson speaks in the highest terms of praise of Santa Fe as a health resort.

Senator W. H. Andrews, president of the Santa Fe Central Railway, and Vice President W. S. Hopewell of the same road, returned yesterday from a trip along the surveyed line of the road in southern Santa Fe county. They had a cold and snowy trip, having had to drive about 40 miles in order to catch the north bound train.

Hon. Solomon Luna returned last night from a visit to Washington, where for the past two months he has worked hard and successfully for the advancement of the best interests of New Mexico. He believes that the chances for the admission of the territory to statehood are very good and that favorable reports upon the pending statehood bill for the territory will be made by the senate and house committees on territories and that the passage of the bill is very probable this session, although much work has yet to be done. In the matter of appointments made by President Roosevelt and was especially instrumental in securing the appointment of Nicolas Galles as register of the United States land office at Las Cruces. Mrs. Luna has been in the city since Saturday last.

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