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New Mexico Demands Statehood of the 57th Congress.

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

The Kansas Populists are still kicking. They die hard.

In civil service reform the question, "Whose ox is gored?" very often cuts quite a figure.

It is to be hoped that the Miss Ellen M. Stone incident will soon be settled. It is high time.

The treasury officials report that there is a wholesale counterfeiting of one cent pieces going on. No wonder copper is high.

Land grant titles are being settled quite rapidly these days and the coming year should show all confirmed and patented land grants properly assessed and taxed.

Mr. Richard Croker asserts that he has not given up the leadership of Tammany. In the light of recent events, however, Tammany will likely give him up.

San Francisco's new mayor is a musician. It is to be hoped that if a serious conflagration happens in his town he will not play the fiddle as did Nero at the burning of Rome.

New Mexico's timber resources are attracting attention even in the far east. Considering that eastern people believe New Mexico to be one vast desert, this is rather unique.

The Hyde Exploration company is building a meat packing and shipping establishment at Farmington, San Juan county. Enterprise of that kind would pay at other points in New Mexico.

In Ohio they are always in politics. The politicians of the state are already discussing the question of a successor to Governor Nash, who a few days ago was re-elected governor of the Buckeye state.

How poor these Democratic shining lights are to be sure. Colonel W. J. Bryan buys blooded heifers for his farm at \$45 per head and Richard Croker pays \$5,000 for blooded bull pups.

The businessmen of the country want another federal department organized and which is to look after the business interests of the United States. This is certainly getting to be a great country.

Branchman near Las Cruces intends to manufacture mesquite on a large scale. That is an industry which New Mexico nor Uncle Sam cares very much to encourage and upon which the internal revenue officers will keep a watchful eye.

President Roosevelt says what he means and means what he says. This is beyond the understanding of some of the politicians who call at the White house. But then this is the president's way and that is all there is to it.

Mayor-elect Seth Low of New York City, should not get the big head. He has announced that he will not be bothered by game hunters. It seems to a good many people that the coming mayor is something of a place hunter himself.

The postmaster at Philadelphia who bolted the Republican ticket at the last election and who bitterly assailed the two Republican senators from the Keystone state, is feeling rather shaky. He certainly ought to be shaken out of office.

If New Mexico would become a state there must be a better assessment and a more energetic collection of taxes. County assessors, boards of county commissioners and collectors can easily change the situation for the better if they would but try.

President Roosevelt is evidently not charmed with the idea of unlimited reciprocity or practical free trade with Canada. He believes in reciprocity that will benefit the United States but not the kind of one sided reciprocity that the free traders talk about.

The New Mexican extends a hearty invitation to the 35,000,000 storm-swept, snow-bound inhabitants of Great Britain to give New Mexico climate a trial. Only one in a thousand would want to return to London, Glasgow, Dublin or vicinity after having spent a year in a climate that is fit to live in.

The branch of the Bisbee road from Deming to the main line south of Deming, a distance of 35 miles, is completed and Deming can boast of another railroad, it having now more railroads than any other city in New Mexico. Deming is bound to be one of the leading cities of the future state of New Mexico.

The British government has just completed a \$2,000,000 dam in India for irrigation purposes and a dam on the Nile which costs ten times as much. If Great Britain, with continual wars on hand, does that much for its remote colonies, how much more should Uncle Sam do towards reclaiming the arid lands of his own western empire.

Former United States Senator Gorman of Maryland, says he is re-elected to the United States senate. Very likely so; he seems to have the inside track.

If Uncle Sam's soldiers were given carte blanche on the island of Samar they would not be compelled to go to their meals heavily armed for any length of time. There would be mighty few bolomen on the island to disturb them.

Albuquerque now has long distance telephone connection with settlements in the Rio Grande valley as far south as Los Lunas. The little towns of Valencia, Peralta, Belen and Los Lunas now have telephone intercourse with the Duke City, an advance undreamed of but a few years ago. Verily the world does move, even in New Mexico.

Between June 25 and September 20, the United States marine hospital service reported 1,205 cases of smallpox in Pennsylvania. How many cases it did not report in that time, of course, it is impossible to tell. It seems that the only way for a New Mexico resident to escape smallpox this year is to get vaccinated and to stay at home.

Despite the prediction of croakers, Alamogordo keeps on growing right along. A local census taken a few weeks ago shows that Alamogordo now has 2,200 inhabitants, a growth of over 50 per cent since the census of 1900 was taken. Where is the town of any size in New Mexico that can beat this?

The commissions of Chief Justice W. J. Mills and Associate Justices John R. McEneaney and Frank W. Parker of the supreme court of the territory of New Mexico, expire in January next. The good people of New Mexico regardless of party affiliations, ask for their retention in the high offices, which they have so ably and creditably filled during the past four years.

Sorghum is quite a profitable crop in New Mexico. W. B. Bonds of San Juan county, this fall manufactured 200 gallons of sorghum from a five acre patch of cane, sold the product for 80 cents a gallon and used the pulp for fodder. It doesn't take much land, nor much water nor any extraordinary effort for a farmer to make a living in New Mexico.

New Mexico apples have scored another point. During the trip of President and Mrs. McKinley through southern New Mexico this spring, they were presented with a basket of apples from the Schultz ranch on the Mimbre. Last week came an order from Mrs. McKinley at Canton asking that a hundred pounds of the same apples be sent her. This is certainly a good recommendation for New Mexico apples.

The enactment of a national lease law would be a great thing for the cattle barons of Texas and the Indian Territory, but it would be mighty hard on the plain people. Such a law would have the effect of making the cattle barons and slaughter house kings richer without any corresponding benefit to the consumers or to the farmers who own a few cattle and a few sheep. It would mean ruin to many of New Mexico's citizens.

Chaves county at present has 125,000 bearing apple trees which represent a goodly sum of productive wealth. Next spring 25,000 to 50,000 more apple trees are to be planted for Chaves county. Horticulturists find great profit in apple trees. By May 1, next spring, 2,500 acres will be planted in apple trees in Chaves county, which will be paying their owners an annual revenue of \$200,000. What has been and is being done in Chaves county can be done in Eddy, San Juan, Santa Fe and other counties.

Senator Culberson, Representative Stephens and El Paso have resumed active work on behalf of the international dam project. There is something admirable in this persistency and energy which New Mexico would do well to emulate. Neither Delegate Rodey nor the people of New Mexico dare go to sleep while Texas interests are working hard to secure the sanction of congress of their nefarious international scheme. At the same time, New Mexico must push the cause of statehood so as to be on an equal footing with Texas in the United States senate.

Wyoming has only 93,000 inhabitants, and its assessed valuation on an assessment of 100 cents on the dollar, is only as high as that of New Mexico which is only one-fifth of what it should be. Yet, Wyoming, has no difficulty in supporting a state government nor is its tax rate such as to drive capital out of the state. Why should New Mexico therefore be unable to support a state government? Most of the federal officials paid by the United States now, would be paid by the United States after New Mexico is a state. The extra cost to New Mexico would be the salaries of the governor, of the state secretary, district or county judges and the members of the legislature which is indeed a very small proportion of the annual expenditure of any state or territory.

The United States as a Sugar Consumer.
The total consumption of sugar in the United States last year was 2,310,847 tons, based on the average increase of 6.34 per cent during past 19 years, the consumption this year should be 2,460,585 tons. Of this quantity 1,000,000 tons are in round figures will come from American sources, Louisiana producing 350,000 tons, the beet sugar factories 150,000 tons and Porto Rico 150,000 tons, leaving 1,360,585 tons to come from other sources and on which duty is paid. The average duty assessed is \$36 per ton or a total of \$48,981,060. Cuban sugar is quoted at Havana at less than two cents per pound, but by the time that the duty is paid on it and it is unloaded at New York, its cost reaches almost four cents a pound. With the protection afforded and the great home market which allows for an increase of 136 per cent in the home sugar production before foreign markets need to be sought, the beet sugar industry ought to flourish in the west and then the time should be near when New Mexico will be supplying sugar beets to at least half a dozen beet sugar factories.

Cancerous Sores

are most frequently to be seen upon the face, neck or breast, though they are liable to appear upon other parts of the body. When they begin to spread and eat into the flesh, sharp, piercing pains are felt as the underlying tissue is destroyed and the tender nerves exposed. Cancerous sores develop from very trifling causes; a carbuncle or boil, swollen gland, a little water blister on the tongue or lip, a wart, mole or bruise of some kind becomes an indolent, festering sore, which in time degenerates into cancer.

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About the first of October, Captain J. P. Casey of this city, happened to meet Captain E. Goodwin, Er. Austin and Jefferson Reynolds, both of Las Vegas, N. M., in Las Cruces. Captain Austin is extensively engaged in stock raising in northern New Mexico, and has 1,600 acres of alfalfa in Colorado. Mr. Reynolds is well known as president of the First National bank of Las Vegas and Albuquerque.

Captain Casey drove out with Captain Austin and Mr. Reynolds to the alfalfa ranch which Captain Casey formerly owned two miles above Las Cruces, and which he sold last winter to T. M. Brewen of Missouri. They, in company with Mr. Brewen, went over the ranch and examined it carefully. Messrs. Austin and Reynolds expressed themselves as astonished and delighted with the evidence of successful alfalfa growing which they found on the ranch. Captain Austin said they were the finest alfalfa fields he had ever seen. He also stated that alfalfa grown in southern New Mexico is superior to that grown in the northern district the alfalfa grows in large bunches, very strong and coarse. From his experience he has found that it is necessary to break up the ground every few years to renovate it. In this part of the Rio Grande valley, however, the alfalfa grows very thick on the ground, very heavy at the bottom, but not in heavy bunches.

Messrs. Austin and Reynolds also expressed their interest in the reservoir system of irrigation as practiced at the Casey ranch. They saw that the alfalfa had grown two or three inches high within a few days after the fourth cutting.

Mr. Brewen had sold all the first cutting from the ranch. Captain Austin estimated at the present price of alfalfa there remained stacked in the fields on the 100 acre ranch over \$4,000 worth of alfalfa. He stated that he would not have believed such results possible had he not visited at that time of the year. He also estimated that the after feed would pasture a hundred head of calves till spring.

The above account of the visit of Captain Austin and Mr. Reynolds, as obtained from Captain Casey, was written out and mailed to both Captain Austin and Mr. Reynolds for correction or approval. Both gentlemen signed the statement as above written and Mr. Reynolds wrote as follows:

"The report given by Captain J. P. Casey of the visit made by Captain E. G. Austin and myself to the alfalfa farm of T. M. Brewen is correct. We were deeply impressed with the quantity and quality of alfalfa produced by Mr. Brewen, and believed by intelligent, aggressive management the whole valley can be made productive."

Such endorsement by wholly disinterested men of the social and financial standing of Messrs. Reynolds and Austin, and with the experience in alfalfa growing which Captain Austin has had, must satisfy even the most skeptical that the accounts previously given by Captain Casey of his success with regard to the possibilities of that industry in this valley, were in no way overdrawn.

INDIAN RESERVATIONS AND IRRIGATION.

Inducements Should be Held Out to the Indians to Become Farmers.

Denver Republican.
Governor Murphy of Arizona, in his annual report has recommended that the government construct canals, ditches and storage reservoirs for the Indians of the southwest, utilizing Indian labor in carrying on the work. This recommendation is made in the interest of the wards of the government, as Governor Murphy is satisfied that a first class system of irrigation will be necessary before the Indians will become practical farmers. There is truth in the governor's observations, as any one who is familiar with the peculiar conditions on southwestern reservations can testify. The Navajo and Southern Ute reservations in particular are in need of good irrigation systems. In fact little farming can be done on these reservations without

large system of ditches. The Indians have no power to construct irrigation works out of their own money as the tribal funds are largely tied up according to ancient treaties. If the government could construct good irrigation systems, there is no doubt that inducement would be held out to the Indians to become farmers. The experiment is well worth trying, as it is evident that the government must soon do something toward lifting its wards out of their present position of indolence and dependence.

Congress Should Take Action.

Springer Stockman.

New Mexico has millions of acres of rich land subject to homestead entry which is not worth a cent for farming purposes without irrigation. Amarilla (Tex.) Record.

The same with the entire arid region which comprises two of the best states in the union, Texas and Colorado. This is only an argument showing that congress should take some action as to storage reservoirs to irrigate these millions of acres, which would be far more agreeable to the people than entertaining the proposition of a few cattle syndicates to lease them to them for an indefinite period of years.

New Mexico's Claim to Statehood.

Albuquerque Journal-Statist.

New Mexico's claim to statehood is of more importance than anything else to the territory, short of the very life of her people. Besides this the ambition of any man or set of men amounts to nothing. We are more interested in statehood than in the appointment of any official to office or the accession of any party to power.

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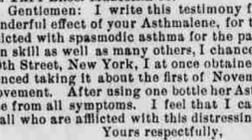
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