

ARIZONA WEEKLY NEWS BUDGET.

What Has Happened in the Territory Since Our Last Issue.

ALL KINDS OF INFORMATION.

New Business Enterprises—Good Year for the Man With the Hoe, and the Owner of Live Stock—Everybody Will Have Money.

C. White Mortimer, of Los Angeles, has been successful in raising money to drill for oil near Winslow, and, it is said, will have a well boring outfit on the ground within a few weeks.

The Phoenix & Eastern track is now laid about five miles this side of the Florence station, and the Buttes will soon be reached, where it will be necessary to halt until a bridge is constructed across the Gila river.

Ben R. Clark was appointed to the position of clerk of the board of supervisors of Graham county, vice Arturo M. Elias resigned. Clark has been in politics in Graham county for many years and served a term as sheriff.

George Giles, an old town marshal of Prescott, became violently insane and had to be committed to the asylum. Giles was one of three patients for that institution whom Sheriff Roberts delivered at the asylum last Friday.

This is the season of the year when Phoenix is full of "jugglers" and the sanitary officers have freshly placarded the streets and public buildings with the ever-timely reminder of the fine to which expectoration in public places is liable.

The amount of the territory's floating debt is stated as follows: Outstanding warrants against the territory January 1, \$140,479.90. During the past year warrants in the sum of \$100,352.72 were issued with unpaid warrants of 1902 outstanding in the sum of \$37,638.62.

At Bisbee, one day last week, the body of a five-months' developed baby was found in a garbage barrel at the end of the slag dump. The discovery was made by the driver of the scavenger wagon, and the circumstances surrounding the ghastly find are involved in mystery.

Upon the initiative of the Woman's club of Phoenix, which took up the matter a year ago, Andrew Carnegie's library secretary has announced that a \$25,000 Carnegie library will be built in Phoenix if the municipal authorities comply with the usual requirements.

The celebrated case of Axel W. Halenborg and others against the Cobre Grande Copper company and others was brought up in the supreme court in Phoenix, on appeal, and the judgment of the lower court, in which the petition for a receiver of this company had been denied, was affirmed.

Under authority of the board of supervisors of Graham county, Wiley E. Jones, of Clifton, was employed by County Treasurer Gamble as an attorney to prosecute all suits for taxes arising under the present delinquent tax law. Mr. Jones is to receive a certain per cent of moneys collected under said law.

In the supreme court, on motion of the attorney general, the case of Theodore Elias, on appeal from Pima county, was continued for the term. Elias is under sentence of death for the murder of Officer Katzenstein at Tucson. The case will be taken up in the supreme court next March.

Sheep shearing commenced last Friday at Cave creek, a large number of professional shearers having come in from California to do the work. Nearly half the sheep of the territory will be shorn in that vicinity. Owing to the absence of feed, sheep will not go as far south as Salt river valley, unless rains should come soon.

Francis J. Henny, former attorney-general of Arizona, was in Phoenix last week from Washington, D. C., and made an argument in the Boquillas land grant case before the supreme court. At present Mr. Henny is assistant to the United States attorney-general in looking after the land fraud cases on the Pacific coast.

Thursday, February 11, the great battle of batons will be fought in Safford, Lytton, Thatcher, Pima, Central, Eden, Hubbard and Matthewsville precincts to decide whether or not the people shall decide for local option, says the Bulletin. The matter was decided by the board of supervisors at their meeting Wednesday afternoon, after a compromise had been effected between the two forces, eliminating Solomonville and Fort Thomas in the valley, and Clifton and Morenci.

In the house of representatives last Thursday the amendment adopted in

the committee meeting increasing the salaries of the territorial officers in Arizona and New Mexico was voted down, 96 to 71. Delegates Kodey of New Mexico and Wilson of Arizona made appeals for increased salaries of the territorial officials, which was opposed by Hemenway, who said that the committee had brought in the bill free from increases and he hoped none would be made.

Some of Clifton's local capitalists are willing to become interested in a trolley road to connect the various camps of the district. A franchise was granted last summer to El Paso people to construct a trolley line, but since the franchise was given, nothing has been done. The franchise is not exclusive, and if the enterprise does not materialize very soon, another company will be formed which will construct the line. The time has arrived for rapid transit, especially between Clifton and Morenci.

One great thing was effected by the late meeting of the cattlemen in Phoenix. It was unanimously agreed by these large cattle growers that to make their business profitable in Arizona they would need to buy alfalfa ranches in the Salt river valley to finish the fattening of their range-fed calves. Many ranches will be bought by them in the near future. More than 40,000 head of cattle are now being fattened in this valley, a number never exceeded in the history of the territory.—Enterprise.

The Charleston reservoir, twenty-eight miles south of Benson, on the San Pedro river, now seems to be an assured fact, says the Benson Press. Henry Evans and two other members of the United States geological survey arrived in Benson Monday and are making preparations to thoroughly survey the reservoir and damsite, the watershed, ditches, canals, etc., so that an estimate can be made on the probable cost of the enterprise. Mr. Evans will be in the valley for at least four or five months, and his work will be very thorough.

Mrs. I. E. Solomon, accompanied by her daughter, Miss Blanche, Mrs. Presidential, Miss Fanta, of Los Angeles, and Mrs. Levy, of New York, were visiting in Safford on Wednesday. Miss Blanche lost her coat while here, and, in inquiring for it, several persons misunderstood her, and thought she was looking for a colt. Several went to the estray pound looking for it, but, luckily, a gentleman found it on the road and left it at his office, and when she came here to advertise for it, she found it waiting its owner.—Guardian.

On Monday last Sheriff Parks went to Phoenix, having in his charge F. A. Kleynstauber, who had been pronounced insane by the probate court and sentenced to the asylum Saturday last. For a number of years Mr. Kleynstauber's acquaintances have been convinced that at times he was insane. He had been before the probate court on a charge of insanity two or three times before but the charge of insanity could not be proven. For more than twenty years there has hardly been a term of the district court wherein Mr. Kleynstauber was not on the docket, either as a defendant or plaintiff.—Guardian.

Eleja Sivas, the little twelve-year-old Mexican girl, who was captured in the act of robbing District Attorney Rawlins' house lately, has been committed to bond to appear before the coming grand jury. That she will be sent to Benson is almost a certainty. Several families in Solomonville have received visits from this little incorrigible, and each time they have been minus some article. The home of the little girl, when searched by the officers, was found filled with the spoils of her robbery. The little girl should be sent to Benson, where her complete reformation could be worked out.—Bulletin.

It is now generally believed, says the International-American, that Graham county will be the scene of some railroad building during the present year. The survey of the Phoenix & Eastern road from Florence up the Gila river through the rich Gila valley in Graham county has been completed. This line will connect with the Santa Fe's branch line which now connects Silver City with Deming. This new line will reach one of the richest agricultural sections of the territory, lying between Solomonville and San Carlos on the Gila river. There are those who believe that the Santa Fe will build the line up through Solomonville to the Deming connection before the line is built into Benson.

Congress, Arizona, had a fire last week in which one life was lost. No one seemed to know who the victim was until the inquest served to identify the remains as those of an English miner who had been in the camp for a few days. The fellow had come to get work and had not succeeded, and was supposed to be without funds and had gone into a little private card room of the saloon, and being somewhat under the influence of liquor, had gone to sleep. From the position of the body when found it is supposed that he was awakened by the noise of the fire and had rushed out into the main room and been overcome by the smoke and

flames and fell on his face and was burned to death. His name, if known, was not given.

The Arizona Bar association elected Jerry Millay of Phoenix president to succeed F. H. Hereford of Tucson; Hon. M. A. Smith of Tucson, vice-president; Thomas J. Prescott of Phoenix, secretary and treasurer. Selim M. Franklin, of Tucson, is a member of the executive committee. At the banquet in the Hotel Adams in Phoenix, Tuesday evening, were Governor Brodie and the justices of the supreme court of Arizona. The southern Arizona lawyers present included Col. William Herring, W. H. Barnes, S. E. Hazzard, F. H. Hereford, S. M. Franklin, M. A. Smith, Roscoe Dale, A. Orfila of Tucson; Ben Goodrich and W. P. Miller of Tombstone; Geo. J. Stoneman of Globe; W. Richardson of Douglas.

The United Verde & Pacific railroad has made a record which is probably without a parallel. It has been in operation a little over nine years, is twenty-eight miles long, and is probably the crookedest road in the world, with heavy grades. It has operated two trains each way per day nearly every day since it was opened for traffic, and a very large portion of the time three trains each way per day, and has never had an accident yet resulting in any serious injury to employe or passenger, or amounting to \$150 damages to equipment. Each railroad division in the United States is required to furnish a monthly report to the interstate commerce commission giving the accidents which have occurred during the month, resulting in personal injuries to employes or passengers or to property damages amounting to \$100 or more. The road has a clean sheet up to the present time.—Journal-Miner.

TO OPEN THE RESERVATION

Full Text of the Bill to Authorize the Entry of Mineral Lands

In the house of representatives, January 4, 1904, Mr. Wilson, of Arizona, introduced the following bill, which was referred to the committee on Indian affairs and ordered to be printed: A Bill to authorize the entry, location, operation and development of stone and mineral lands on the Indian reservations in the territory of Arizona, and for other purposes: Be it enacted by the senate and house of representatives of the United States of America in congress assembled, That all of the mineral lands and stone quarries within the boundaries of the San Carlos, White Mountain, Hualapai, Pima and other Indian reservations in the territory of Arizona be, and the same are hereby declared to be open for location, development and operation of the citizens of the United States, in the manner and subject to the laws and regulations now in force with reference to the entry, location, operation and development of other public mineral lands of the United States. Provided however, That in addition to the requirements of the general laws with reference to the entry, location, development and operation of mineral lands, all parties making entry and location upon said lands, or interested therein, their heirs and assigns, shall pay to the secretary of the interior, as a royalty for the right and privilege of operating each location, 5 per centum of the net profits derived from such mineral claim or quarry, to be determined by the secretary of the interior, who is hereby authorized to provide rules and regulations for carrying into execution the provisions of this measure.

Section 2. That in case of default in the payment of the royalty hereinbefore provided for for the period of six months all rights obtained by such entry and location shall be forfeited.

All such payments to the secretary of the interior shall be held in trust for the sole use and benefit of the tribes of Indians now located upon such reservations, to be expended by the commissioner of Indian affairs, under the direction and control of the secretary of the interior, in such manner and for such purposes as may to him seem to be for the best interests of said Indian tribes.

Copper refining by the electrolytic method has attained such a high degree of perfection that electrolytic copper, such as is turned out at the Butte refineries, is practically a pure metal and commands about as high a price as lake copper. The latter has for many years stood at the head in grade and price because in nature it is found in free state. In the Lake Superior region the copper is disseminated through the rocks in small metallic particles. To reduce it to bullion requires a fine degree of concentration.

The greatest fault to be found with the general run of mining news as it appears in print today, is its tendency to depart from facts and figures, and resort to adjectives and general description. Definite information is seldom given. Instead of glittering generalities and superlative terms describing splendid prospects, etc., details as to the property should be given.

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