

ARIZONA WEEKLY NEWS BUDGET

What Has Happened in the Territory Since Our Last Issue

AN INTERESTING COLLECTION

Of Clippings From Newsy Contemporaries—Gossip of the Busy Week—Activity in the Southern Counties is Pronounced—Douglas City Notes.

Dr. Ray Ferguson, of Nogales, was in Phoenix last week in conference with Gov. Kibbey and also paid a visit to the territorial asylum for the insane. It is known that Dr. Ferguson will be named to succeed Dr. W. H. Ward as superintendent of the asylum, to take office on the first of the month. Dr. Ferguson has been a resident of the territory for six years and stands high in his profession.

It is reported that President Roosevelt, after a conference with Postmaster General Cortelyou, has decided to appoint Col. W. S. Sturges political referee for Arizona appointments. Col. Sturges is the republican national committeeman, but there has been considerable doubt as to whether he or Gov. Kibbey was looked upon as the political referee for Arizona.—Citizen.

Washington advices are to the effect that the statehood question will not be taken up by the house until the return of the members of river and harbor committee who are now making a trip through the south. They may not return until March 19. Before they left an agreement was reached that nothing would be done with the statehood bill until after their return.

At a meeting of the board of directors of the fair association action was taken in the way of provision for a four days' race meeting to be held at the fair grounds the third week in April. Purses to the amount of \$5000 will be hung up and from correspondence already had with various horsemen and the owners of strings in the west such an amount will be so attractive that many will be here. In fact it is likely that the races of April will be faster and by more prominent horses than those held during fair week.—Republican.

THE GILA VALLEY

Gist of the News from the Guardian, Journal and Bulletin

The regular January term of the district court will be called in Solomonville on Monday, April 2nd. On the 27th inst. The supreme court meets at Phoenix.

On the first of the month there was \$70,556.02 in the county treasurer's hands. Of this amount about \$27,000 is school, bond and road money, leaving over \$43,000 in the county's general fund. Treasurer Clark believes that this, with what the assessor will collect on personal property taxes, will be ample to pay all demands that will be allowed at the April meeting of the supervisors.

Last week the Bulletin told how Antonio Gonzales and Nicanor Line, two Mexican boys committed to the Territorial Industrial school by Judge Nave, had been refused admission at that institution by Supt. James Mahoney. And now Supt. James Mahoney, formerly justice of the peace in Navajo county, is cited to appear before the district court on March 17th, at 10 o'clock, to show cause why he should not be punished as for contempt of court.

A citizen's mass convention held in Safford nominated the following municipal ticket: Council—D. W. Wickersham, Geo. A. Olney, J. C. Robinson, Geo. P. Jacobson, J. J. Birdno. Town Clerk—H. L. Castle. Town Marshal—W. D. Robertson. Supervisor Streets—Chris. Madsen.

C. D. Roberts, from Pasadena, Cal., arrived in Safford last Sunday to assume management of the new Creamery, which it is hoped will be in operation within sixty days. All the machinery has arrived and is now on the ground ready to be installed. The engineer who is to set up the machinery will begin at once to put it in position ready for use. Mr. Roberts has had an extensive experience in the creamery business, which will be of inestimable value to the company in the successful operation of their plant.

The big three story mill building across the street from the Birdno store was sold last Saturday for several years back taxes, John J. Birdno being the purchaser.

It is understood that Judge Stratton has tendered his resignation to Judge Nave as federal court commissioner and that the court has decided to ap-

point A. T. Colton to fill the vacancy created by Mr. Stratton's resignation.

J. H. Higgins, who was tried before Commissioner Stratton last Monday on a charge of selling whiskey to Indians, was discharged. T. S. Bunch represented the defendant.

At a public meeting called to consider the matter of additional right-of-way concessions to the G. V., G. & N. railroad company through Safford, the proposition to throw open 12th street for the use of the road and probably the closing of J, K, L and M street entirely was discussed pro and con by a number of interested parties. However, no definite agreement was reached in these matters and it was finally decided that the proper method of procedure would be to appoint a committee of three to confer, in conjunction with the city council, with the railroad people and ascertain, if possible, just what they wanted and report the matter to a similar meeting to be convened at the call of the chairman.

Hon. Henry Hill returned this week from the Fort Thomas Hot springs, where he spent a couple of weeks very pleasantly and was greatly benefited by the waters. He reports that there is now considerable excitement in that section over oil prospects, and that Dory Morris, of Globe, is on the ground with an oil boring outfit and will soon give the district a thorough testing.

CLIFTON GLEANINGS

Mining and News Items from the Copper Era

Captain Tibby, who left Clifton last week for a tour of Mexico, was touched at the new union depot in El Paso for his roll, which amounted to \$400. The captain got jammed in a crowd as he was getting on the train and after taking his seat in the car he discovered that his purse had been taken from his inside coat pocket.

It is expected that the case of the Clifton orphans will be tried before the supreme court of the United States in Washington, D. C., about the middle of the month. The foster parents of Clifton are resting easy over the probable result of the case, as they are satisfied that the findings of the supreme court of Arizona will be confirmed.

Jack Sidebotham has the contract to raise the A. & N. M. depot and freight building four feet higher, which will put them above any probable floods of the future. The depot building will be shoved back eight feet, which will give more room for passengers on the platform. The freight building will be extended twenty feet, giving room to accommodate local freight business.

Mrs. Simpson, the mother of Mrs. Reardon and Thomas Simpson, arrived this week from California on a visit to her children. She was met at Lordsburg by her granddaughter, Miss Irene Reardon.

Fifteen carloads of ore were shipped last month from the Standard mines and three of them were high grade. From present indications the shipments this month will be heavier than last month, and the mine is looking better than at any time during the past two years.

Chas. Allen is now packing his ore from the mine to the Coronado railroad, and will soon have 50 tons of 8 ounce gold ore ready for shipment. This shipment will be worth between \$8,000 and \$10,000, as some of it will go much better than 8 ounces. This is the first shipment of gold ore made from this section in several years, and marks a new era in the development of the mineral resources of the district.

The Morenci Leader is authority for the statement that the engineering corps of the D. C. company has finished its work of laying out a line from the Morenci Southern, near the pumping plant of the Frisco river, to the Shannon smelter at Clifton, and that the construction work on the line will soon be commenced and pushed rapidly to completion. This line, as the Era predicted last week, will be used to convey the ore from the D. C. company's mines at Metcalf to Morenci without transferring at Clifton and Guthrie, as is now necessary. It is also probable that the D. C. company will have its own road in operation to its Metcalf mines within a reasonably short time.

On Saturday afternoon last Mrs. A. G. Smith gave a reception at her beautiful home on Hill's addition, complimentary to Mrs. Arthur Goodell and Miss Vaughn, of Silver City. The reception was held between the hours of 3 and 6 p. m. and was attended by about seventy ladies residing in Clifton, Morenci and Metcalf. The spacious parlors were decorated with evergreens, potted plants and cut flowers. The house was darkened, but illuminated by incandescent colored lights that cast a soft radiance over the handsome gowns and beautiful faces of those present. Dainty refreshments were served, after which the gracious hostess and her charming guests were bidden a pleasant good day.

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Gen. Mgr. W. E. Sharps of the Big Lead Mining & Smelting company, is in San Francisco purchasing machinery for the 100-ton concentrating plant which will be erected at the company's mines at Ray.

Mr. Collins, a mining engineer representing an eastern syndicate, is in the Saddle Mountain district examining a group of properties belonging to Dan O'Carroll, and also the 79 group of lead claims owned by O'Brien, Coleman, Scott and Brannaman.

Just as we were going to press news came from Troy to the effect that Frank Watson met with an accident in the mine that necessitated the amputation of one of his arms: We could not ascertain the particulars. Frank has many friends here who will regret his misfortune.

E. O. Sowers was in town Saturday from Winkelman conferring with Gen. Mgr. John W. Sharpe of the Arizona-Pacific company in regard to his plan for the development of the Woods-Sowers Independence group of copper claims, on which the Arizona-Pacific company recently secured a bond.

The permanent survey of the proposed railroad from Florence to Superior is about finished and the plans for the construction of the road, and also for the smelting plant to be erected at this end of the line, are about completed. In the meantime sinking in the main shaft at the mine is progressing rapidly and the 1000-foot station will soon be reached. Levels will be opened from this station and large ore reserves will be blocked out. Sufficient ore has already been blocked out above this station to keep the reduction plant busy for a decade.

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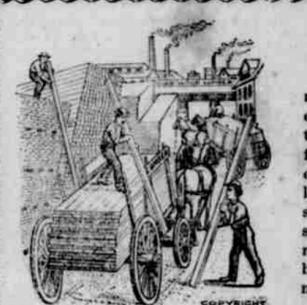
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