

Lincoln County Leader.

Saturday, October 21, 1931.

BOLETO DEL PUEBLO REGULAR.

Para Delgado al Congreso,
TRANQUILINO LUNA,
Condado de Valencia.

Para el Consejo,
D. M. EASTON.
JOHN A. MILLER.

Para Representantes,
FLORENCIO GONZALES,
NICHOLAS GALLES.

Para Alguacil Mayor,
JAMES A. TOMLINSON.

Para Juez de Pruebas,
WILL DOWLIN.

Para Escribano de la Corte Pruebas,
SAMUEL S. CORBET.

Para Tesorero del Candidato,
ARCADIO SAIS.

Para Comisionados del Candidato,
JOSE MONTANO,
E. T. STONE,
ANDREW WILSON.

Para Comisionados de Escuelas,
JABEZ HEDGES,
GEO. L. ULRICK,
FRANCISCO ROMERO Y LUERAS

Nosotros estamos tristes en decir a nuestros amigos Espanoles, que por un tiempo, sera imposible poder imprimir una porcion de la *Leader* en Espanol, lo que nosotros intentamos hacer tan pronto como el servicio de un imprentador Espanol pueda ser allado.

Mr. W. A. Leonard has ordered a \$2,000 printing outfit and will advocate Republican principles, through the machine, at Silver City. We wish the gentleman better success, then crowns the efforts of Republican news-papers in Texas, from whence our brother editor came.

Governor Sheldon expresses his appreciation of members of the Council and Legislature who have shown real merit, and says, "Miller and Easton were two of the best members we had. Send them back." You are capable of judging, Governor, assure the majority of voters in our sunny south; and they will return again.

To one acquainted with Bill Holimon's style of eligraphy and grown-up-on-the-frontier mode of expression, his communication in the last issue of the *Lea-Garrett* organ, comes like a new revelation. There is a pungent worked-over-in-the-office odor about it we never find in the genuine article.

Opinions of the Press.

Pat F. Garrett is not as popular as he was in Lincoln, and the chances are that he will not be elected as councilman from that county.—*New Mexican*.

Miller and Easton will probably appear in the next council. They are both strong men personally and have made a popular record in the legislature. Their nomination very nearly means election.—*Albuquerque Review*.

The chances of Pat Garrett's election to the Territorial council from Lincoln county since his brutal assault upon Mr. Roberts, an attorney, are growing beautifully less. Pat makes a good officer, but would make a poor legislator.—*Optic*.

Sheriff Pat Garrett of Lincoln county, the slayer of the "Kid," has about ruined his chances for a seat in the territorial council by an unwarranted assault upon a young attorney at Lincoln named Roberts, whom Garrett suspected of having written an article in the *Rio Grande Republican* accusing Garrett of being two-faced and ungrateful to the people who have made him.—*Raton Comet*.

Sheriff Pat Garrett has a summary way of discussing political questions. He shows himself to be thinner skinned than we had supposed. The article at which he took umbrage was entirely legitimate discussion of Mr. Garrett's political candidacy, and should have been answered frankly, if in any respect it was truthful. A blow with a bludgeon is not a denial of it, but rather an assent to its truth. It is hardly becoming that the chief executive officer of the county should take the law into his own hands, under any provocation, and it will no doubt tell against him in his canvass for the council.—*Lake Valley Herald*.

PEOPLE'S CHOICE

Hon. John A. Miller, and Hon. David M. Easton, for the Council.

Hon. Florencio Gonzales, and Nicholas Galles, for Representatives.

The following is said by the *Rio Grande Republican*, the live paper of Dona Ana County.

"We place in our columns this week the Las Cruces People's ticket, which was nominated by the People's County Convention on the 5th. We favor the election of the ticket solely upon local grounds, and believe that every true friend of our city, as well as those having the best interests of the people of the whole county, at heart should support it.

The ticket is composed of men who occupy no half-way ground as to the county seat question, and though one or two of the nominations might have been more acceptable to some of our people, yet it cannot be denied that every man on the ticket is sound on the main question and therefore entitled to our earnest support. The ticket is a strong one and we predict its success by a triumphant majority.

As to the nominations for the Legislature, the Hon. John A. Miller is too well known to require any comment at our hands. He is one of the pioneers of Grant county, having been a resident there about sixteen years. He has been engaged in mercantile and mining pursuits and has made himself popular with all classes where he is known. He served this Senatorial District in the last Legislature as its Senator, and there showed himself to be a legislator of no ordinary ability, as he succeeded in having passed some of the most wholesome laws upon our statute books. Although he was never a candidate, he has been often and favorably spoken of by the press of the Territory as a probable candidate for Delegate to Congress. He secured the passage of the bill through the Council fixing the county seat of Dona Ana county at Las Cruces, and therefore is square upon the record in favor of our city for the county seat, and should receive our united support.

David M. Easton is also one of the pioneers of this district, having come to the county of Lincoln at an early date. He is favorably known in the Territory and is a very popular man in his own county, as well as in this. He was a member of the last Legislature from the counties of Dona Ana, Grant and Lincoln. He was a leading member and made a record as a legislator of which he may well be proud. Through his efforts, seconded by the Hon. Gregorio Miranda, the member from Dona Ana county, Las Cruces secured the county seat. The friends of Las Cruces should give him their hearty support.

Nicholas Galles, of Hillsboro, in this county, one of the nominees for Representative, is an energetic young man, well known to our people. At the last election he was chosen as County Commissioner of this county and has made an excellent officer. He is engaged in mining, and is interested in some of the most important mining enterprises in our county. He is a general favorite, and will make an excellent legislator.

Hon. Florencio Gonzales, of Lincoln county, the other nominee for Representative, is a man deservedly esteemed. He is a native of New Mexico; was educated in part at Santa Fe, under the auspices of Bishop Lamy, and finished his education in France. He has been a resident of Lincoln county for many years; has occupied public positions, among them that of Probate Judge, and has filled them with credit to himself and to the entire satisfaction of the public. He speaks the English, Spanish and French languages, but prefers the Spanish. He will make an influential member."

A Good Time.

There is no better time of the year than the present for eastern people to visit New Mexico. The latter part of autumn, which in many sections is extremely disagreeable, is one of the most delightful of seasons in this country; the weather is neither too warm nor too cold; the days are bright and warm, the nights cool enough to make fires enjoyable, and the sky always unclouded. The harvests have all been gathered, the markets are filled with the most delicious of fruits, and the visitor can not only have the privilege of enjoying the most delightful weather, but can also get a good idea of what can be produced in the country. The fall is a good time to come.—*Albuquerque Journal*.

COL. RYNERSON'S DENIAL.

We take pleasure in giving place to Col. Ryner's letter, as it is his first say on the subject of which much comment has been made by the *Mesilla News* and the *Golden Era*. All who know the Colonel, know him to be a man of few words and full of truth.

The *Rio Grande Republican* contains the letter as follows: Editor *Rio Grande Republican*.

While it is not necessary to notice every invention which has been originated and circulated by the *Mesilla News* and its scelerms, to misrepresent and deceive, in its death struggle to get the county seat back to Mesilla, I deem it but just to myself, as well as to the friends of Las Cruces, to deny some statements made by the man who writes for the *News*. The writer for the *News* has stated time and again that I was the owner of Block 6, where the new court house is to be located, and that the change of the county seat from Mesilla to Las Cruces is a mere speculation on my part, etc. That is not so. I am interested in as much property in Mesilla as in Las Cruces, if not more. Block 6 is the property of the county, having been deeded to the county by the New Mexico Town company. I have not now, and never did have, any stock in that company. The townsite near which the court house is to be erected as provided by the law of the last Legislature, belongs to that company and not to me nor any one in Las Cruces. I do not expect to make one cent by the change of the county seat to this place. As to the townsite named, I have this to say, that some gentlemen together with myself did what we could to have the railroad depot at Las Cruces and to effect that it became necessary to purchase the lands (now the townsite, etc.) and deeded them to the Railroad and Town Companies. I paid one thousand dollars for my share of the purchase money. The lands were conveyed and we secured the depot and have a live town. But if any of the *News* people think that a speculation, I would like them to take it off my hands; by handing me that money back. It can't possibly come back to me by the change of the county seat to this place.

When the county seat was changed to Las Cruces a proper site for the county buildings was necessary. It was obtained. The site did not cost the county a dollar. It was a gift of the Town company. It is situated between the main town and the railroad depot, and is ample and on land on which trees may be planted and grass grown.

The site is one which may be beautified with trees, and thus an attractive and comfortable place made for the convenience and comfort of the people attending to county business. But let it be remembered that I do not own Block 6 nor any lands joining it. I wish I did.

W. L. RYNERSON.
LAS CRUCES, N. M. Oct. 10, 1882.

The Mexican National Railroad company completed the construction of the bridge across the Rio Grande at Laredo, Wednesday, thus restoring rail communication between the republics, which was broken a few weeks ago by the high water. The bridge has twenty spans each thirty feet long. The International and Great Northern railroad, whose bridge was also swept away by the same freshet, has not yet begun to rebuild.

The New Mexico Press Convention.

Inasmuch as Hadley's editorial convention in Las Vegas was a complete failure, we suggest to our friends of the New Mexico press that they re-organize. The farcical convention at Albuquerque last year could not be expected to result otherwise than in a complete failure of any movement under its auspices. That convention stamped itself as a "dead head" institution and appears to have disgusted the profession throughout the territory. It is about time to "break the slate and begin anew," if the members of the New Mexico press expect ever to organize a respectable press association. The only reason we have seen advanced for the non-attendance of the editors at the Las Vegas convention, is that they could not get their passes renewed in time. This is a humiliating confession that they could not afford to spend a few dollars in order to get together and consider the measures to be adopted to advance their own interests. We refuse to believe that such miserly motives actuated them. The failure was due alone to the success of the dead

heads of the profession in the Albuquerque convention of last year. They captured it and, by their actions and resolutions, stamped it as a collection of dead heads who were dependent upon the public for free drinks, free lunch, free rides, free tickets to public entertainments and carte blanche to pass through the world as honorary members of society and receive the benefit of everybody else's work, "without money and without price." We are glad that a convention called under such auspices has failed, and we suggest to the respectable editors of New Mexico that they communicate with each other and effect an organization which will be both an honor to themselves and a credit to the territory.

DONA ANA COUNTY CONVENTION

Miller, Easton, Galles and Gonzales the Choice of the People.

The following proceedings are taken from the *Rio Grande Republican* of the 7th inst:

Pursuant to call, the Convention, for the purpose of nominating county officers, met in Stephenson's hall at 11 o'clock a. m., last Thursday. A temporary organization was effected by calling Pablo Melendres, of Dona Ana, to the Chair, and electing E. Van Patten secretary.

Upon motion a committee of five, consisting of E. Van Patten, Pablo Melendres, W. L. Ryner, Gregorio Miranda and Eugenio Moreno, were appointed to examine credentials of delegates. A committee on permanent organization was also appointed; after which the Convention adjourned till 2 o'clock p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Convention called to order by temporary chairman. Committee on permanent organization then made their report, which was adopted.

The committee on permanent organization recommended as permanent officers of the Convention the following: For President, Eugenio Moreno; Vice-Presidents, Maximo Castaneda, Gregorio Miranda; Secretaries, Paeciliano Moreno, Gregorio Garcia. The report was adopted and the several officers took their seats.

Motion by W. L. Ryneron prevailed that the Convention proceed to nominate, 1st, two Senators for the district comprising Dona Ana, Grant and Lincoln counties; 2nd, Representatives for said district; 3rd, county officers for Dona Ana county in the order followed below.

Mr. S. H. Newman, proxy for Silvestre Garcia, addressed the convention at considerable length, and at the conclusion of his remarks moved that the chair appoint a committee, composed of three Republicans and three Democrats, to decide what proportion of the ticket nominated should be taken from each party. Col. Ryneron stated that inasmuch as the Convention was called, not upon political issues, but to select a ticket that would best represent the interests of Las Cruces and the county of Dona Ana, he would therefore rise to a point of order. Messrs. Arnold and Kohl, of Rincon, and several other delegates from different parts of the county, concurred in the Colonel's statements and arguments, and the chair ruled the point well taken and that the motion was not in order. Upon an appeal the Convention sustained the ruling.

It was then moved and seconded that D. M. Easton, of Lincoln, and John A. Miller, of Grant, be nominated as Territorial Councilmen, from this district.

Mr. Newman concurred in the nomination of Mr. Easton, but in opposition to Mr. Miller nominated H. H. Whitehill, of Grant county.

Nomination of Mr. Easton was made unanimous, and upon a ballot being taken, Miller was nominated over Whitehill by a vote of 48 to 1. Florencio Gonzales, of Lincoln county, Nicholas Galles, of Hillsboro; Chas. Armijo and Manuel Nevares, of Las Cruces, were put in nomination for Representatives. After balloting the vote stood, Gonzales, 44; Galles, 41; Armijo, 4; Nevares, 4. The nomination of Gonzales and Galles was thereupon made unanimous.

Mr. Murphy, of Lake Valley, nominated Guadalupe Ascarate, of Las Cruces, for sheriff, and a motion prevailed that he be declared the nominee by acclamation.

H. F. Stephenson received the nomination for Clerk, Pablo Melendres for Probate Judge, and Evangelisto Chavez for County Treasurer, all of which nominations were made by acclamation.

Wm. Dessaur and Numa Raymond, both of Las Cruces, were nominated for County Commissioner for the middle district, and vote being taken Dessaur received 26

and Raymond 22. On motion the nomination of Mr. Dessaur was made unanimous.

R. E. Smith, of Lake Valley, County Commissioner for the upper district, and Eugenio Moreno, of San Miguel, Commissioner for the lower district, were unanimously nominated.

For School Commissioner, S. H. Newman, of Las Cruces, Emeterio Prado and Jose Miguel Jaramillo were nominated by acclamation.

An Executive committee, consisting of W. L. Ryneron, M. Lohman, Pablo Melendres, Guadalupe Ascarate and Martin Amodor, was appointed, with power to fill any and all vacancies that might occur on the ticket.

On motion the convention adjourned *sine die*.

THE VALLIANT VOTER.

Boards of Registration and the Duties they Have to Perform.

From the Las Vegas Optic.

As an important Territorial election is drawing near, *The Optic* has informed itself upon matters pertaining thereto for the information of the general reader. According to law, no one will be allowed to cast a ballot at the approaching county and territorial election whose name does not appear upon the roll of registration, therefore it is very necessary for every citizen who contemplates voting, and the act is certainly one of the highest rights of citizenship, to see that his name be enrolled by the board of registration of his precinct. Fifteen days prior to the election, the registrars of each precinct will commence listing the names of qualified voters. It will be the duty of the voters to visit the board at the place where the list will be kept, and, before having their names entered on the roll, must show that they have resided in the territory six months, in the county three months and in the precinct in which they propose to vote thirty days. If they can answer the three qualifications in the affirmative, their it becomes the duty of the board of registration to enter their names upon the list. The board will have the right in case they know of any voter whose name does not occur on the list, to place it there, but the gentlemen composing the board are not presumed to know all the legal voters; hence the urgent necessity of each voter looking after the matter in person, if he desires to have a voice in the next election. There is a penalty that attaches to the judges of election of not less than one hundred, nor more than five hundred dollars, or imprisonment, in case they allow any one to vote who is not registered beforehand, consequently every man who expects to vote must first register. It would be well for voters to scissor this article and file it away, as it can be relied upon as the law.

The mammoth piece of horn silver that the Percha bonanza gave out recently, which was estimated to weigh two hundred and sixty pounds, proved when put upon the scales to pull down three hundred and forty. Just think of it! A three hundred and forty pound chunk of almost pure silver found in the dirt on a hill side. No other country has produced such a phenomenon. The Black Range seems to be a solid mass of precious metal from Lake Valley to Ojo Caliente on the north. And the half has not been found.—*Black Range*.

A Nuisance and its Sequel.

The following conversation is said to have occurred at about midnight at a summer hotel. The children began it:

"Ma!"
"What, dear?"
"Is that you, ma?"
"Yes, dear."
"Pa!"
"What, dear?"
"Is that you, pa?"
"Yes, dear."
"Good night, ma."
"Good night, dear."
"Good night, pa."
"Good night, dear."

The dialogue has been repeated at intervals of fifteen minutes for two hours, when an elderly man in an adjoining room, who had been trying to sleep all that time, rolled out of bed with a thud, climbed up into the transom, and putting his head out shouted at the top of his lungs, "Yes, it's me maw, and it's me paw; now go to sleep you little brat, or I'll come in there and chew you up." Five minutes later a holy calm brooded over the house, and no sound was heard save the last sob of a weary wave telling its story to the smooth pebbles of the beach.

Walters and Snider lost a dog Friday. He was found in an 80 ft. shaft wagging his tail.

MINING MATTERS.

Silver ore assaying 77 per cent. of silver mixed with copper, has been discovered in the bed of Panther creek near Secor, Ill. Over 1000 pounds has already been taken out, it is reported, and the work is getting lively. The report does not say, however, that the rush for New Mexico is all tending that way.

Owners of properties near Hansburg in the Oscuras are about to begin work.

The Magdalenas are trying to start a boom. The latest is that the Nameless mine near the summit is showing an extraordinary body of black oxide of manganese yielding 60 per cent. Also an eight foot vein of rich ore running from 100 to 500 ounces per ton in silver, has been found near the north end of the range. So says the *Socorro Miner*.

Water is reported as becoming very scarce in the Oscuras, and a flow, with an eye to the necessities of pilgrims and strangers, who are prospecting over there, has taken possession of the only remaining source of supply, and deals out liquid muddiness at the rate of fifty cents per barrel. Miners had better stop fooling around over in that region and come to White Oaks or the White Mountains so as to be here when the business comes in on the White Oaks & El Paso rail-road.

Lake Valley is still on the rise, and ninety-two thousand dollars in silver bullion was shipped from Nutt station on the tenth of October, it is said.

Over on the Percha when one locates a claim he has to hire men to stand guard over it with Winchester to keep people from jumping it or pulling it out by the roots and carrying it off bodily.

The Nogal and White Mountain country is destined to make one of the richest and best mineral districts in the territory. It will take capital and time to develop the mines but when down to a paying basis the mineral is there to stay. This is the verdict of men who have examined that country after visiting nearly all the other camps in New Mexico.

The days of sentimental politics are past. Citizens now want facts and no fancy in the political bill of fare. The business of the state, like the business of the citizen, should be conducted with honesty, economy and an eye to the public weal. The pure metal of fitness for the discharge of the duties of the office should be recognized in every candidate. Silver plated politics must be remanded to the rear. Like a punched five cent piece, they have no commercial value, and are impressed with perpetual inconvertibility.

Weight of a Million Dollars.

From the Scientific American. Mr. E. B. Elliot, the government actuary, has computed the weight of a million dollars in gold and silver coin as follows:

The standard gold dollar in the United States contains gold of nine-tenths of fineness, 25.8 grains, and the standard silver dollar of silver of nine-tenths of fineness, 412.5 grains. One million standard gold dollars, consequently weigh 25,800,000 grains, or 53,750 ounces troy, or 4,479 1-6 pounds troy, of 5,760 grains each, or 3,685.71 pounds avoirdupois, or 29 464-1000 "short" tons of 2,000 pounds avoirdupois each, or 26 307-1000 "long" tons of 2,240 pounds avoirdupois each. In round numbers the following table represents the weight of \$1,000,000 in the coins named:

DESCRIPTION OF COIN.	TONS.
Standard Gold Coin.....	14
Standard Silver coin.....	29 1/2
Subsidiary silver coin.....	83
Minor coin, five cent nickels.....	100

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