QUARRIES OF

\$150,000 Already Spent Developing Stone and Putting It on Market.

SURPASSES ANY DOMESTIC STONE

Grades Up Equal to Marbles of Italy and Is in Constant Demand.

The history of the Arizona marble de-posits near Bowie is interesting. In 1905, a prospector from Arlzona sent samples of the Bowle marble to the Kerr Marble and Stone company, of Denver, to be tested. The sample was placed on the desk of J. G. Kerr, presi-dent of the company, who has been making a study of marbles for the past 15 years. He has examined every deposit in the United States, either by per-sonal visits to the quarry sites or by means of samples from the quarries. In February, 1905, he visited the de-posit, as yet unworked, in the Chiracahua mountains of Arizona. So favorably was he impressed with the for-mation of the deposit and the high quality of the marble that he returned to Denver, arranged for the organization of a company to develop the pro-ject and disposed of his holdings in the Denver company. Associated with him in the quarry company is Lawrence C. Phipps, of Pittsburg, one of the fa-mous Phipps family, who are heavily interested in the steel business at Pitts-burg. Gerald Hughes, son of United States senator Hughes, of Colorado, is also interested in the Arizons company It is capitalized for \$1,000,000, andd has already invested \$150,000 in developing the quarries near Bowie.

Finest In Country. The Bowie marble is pronounced by New York and other eastern architects and builders as being the finest in the United States, surpassing the Vermont. Georgia and Tennessee marbles, and equaling the world famous Italian and Grecian marbles. It tests 99.98 percent purs in carbonate of lime and has a crushing strength of 12,000 pounds to the square inch. Mr. Kerr has a number of photographs of marble slabs which have been taken from the Arizona Marble company's quarries, show-ing the beautiful stratification which the building in which it is used the ap-pearance which is sought for by the zona marble is shown in a photograph clate what the distinguished with a perfect compass and square formed in the compound veinings. - This is formed by reversed cheveron vein- tired), founder of El Paso and its most ing, and is considered one of the finest pieces of matching ever quarried. Another photograph shows a sample of the marble with a Japanese lily show- full measure ing plafnly in the dark colored vein-

Samples Grattfylag.

Samples of the southwestern marble were placed on exhibition in the Metro-politan Life building in New York, and were also exhibited before the leading New York arheltects and pronounced the equal of the high grade marbles rried in Italy and Greece. McKimm, Mesd & White, Carrare & Hastings, Case Gilbert and other famous architectural engineers declared the output of the Arizona quarries far superior the other native marbles of the United

The new First National bank, of Denver, which is now being built, has specifled the Bowle marble for its interior exterior decorations, in the new \$1,800,000 building now in course of construction. Other large buildings in the southwest, including a number of the new El Paso structures may be ornamented with the Arizona marble, as Mr. Kerr has been in conference with a due in no small extent to our guest number of the business men who are planning to build soon.

The present plant of the marble company includes all the machinery used in a modern quarry plant. A battery of three chandling machines, a 250 horse boller plant, air compressors and sir drills are installed and in operation on the ground. A small mill is now being operated to finish the maft is not possible to finish the marble on the job. A general store is also conducted by the company to provide the force of 45 men employed at the plant with supplies. Later the plant will be extended and the entire deposit of marble worked as it is needed. The company is planning to develop the property as rapidly as possible and ct to be supplying the east Texas, California and southwestern demand for building marbles within the present

Paith In the West. "It is extremely gratifying to me," Mr. Kerr said, "to see the Texas cities demanding a higher grade of marble for their building than those of the east back to any enterprise without find and north. That is true right here in ing the name of Mills associated with El Paso. The new bank buildings spe-cify marbles which are the equal of any back to us. He inaugurated the prowill be a credit to any city in the United States. I have cast my lot with the southwest because I have not only in my own project, that of producing marble, but in the great posof the southwest in every branch of industry. Marble quarrying is as exact a science as copper mining and milling, and we propose to produce to El Paso. G and prepare the output of our properties for the market in the most moderate of the market in the most mode.

"Our mill was built of the first car of concrete shipped by the Southwestern forced to bow his acknowledgments a Portland Cement company, of El Paso, and all of our machinery has been shipped either from here or through could speak. While I am not an agriculturist, I can see the greatest possibilities for to the resources of the southwest."

HISTORYOFTHE El Pasoans Honor Pioneer City Builder EL PASO

Distributing Headquarters For the Bowie Quarries Will Likely Be Here.

INEXHAUSTIBLE DEPOSITS FOUND

Machinery Is Now Taking Out the Slabs of Stone for Commercial Use.

A finishing plant for preparing the product of the Arizona Marble company, of Bowle, Ariz., to be built in El Paso in the near future may result from the visit of John G. Kerr, president and general manager of the marble company, who has been here for the past week in the interest of his

Being a rough finish project, the Arizona marble is quarried with the iddea of having it finished in or near the cities where it is to be used. A small finishing plant at the quarry site Is now being operated to supply the trade, where it is impossible to have the high grade marbles cut and pollshed. El Paso, being a distributing point for the southwest and also a large consumer of marble in its own buildings, has been selected by the general manager of the company as the possible location for a finishing plant to dress the rough blocks which are the prod-uct of the Bowle deposit.

The deposits, which are inexhaustible, are located 14 miles from the main line of the Southern Pacific, the closest Nation being Bowie, Arlz. At present the supplies and output of the quarries are hauled by steam traction engines to the ratiroad line, but the general plan of construction includes an electric find his dreams coming true it gives traction line between Bowie and the and his dreams coming true it gives us all renewed confidence and makes us realize that the heart of the true booster never grows old. If we had it such boosters we could be a second Chicago. If 50 a second New York. But let us not complain, rather let us be thankful for what we have. Let us drink to Gen. Mills."

Judge R. H. Ward made an appeal formation in a number of places. The stratification is from 50 to 350 feet wide, according to general manager Kerr, and the stratu which contain the supply of marble are standing on end. This ledge extends for about 25 miles and are covered with graphs formation in a number of places. The supply is practically inexhaustible. supply is practically inexhaustible, there being a supply of the finest marbie in the United States sufficient to build all of the buildings in a large city

of the city and that the good will and Chamber of Commerce Is years of life, health, happiness and prosperity now and always." Communicating With Contractors.

The chamber of commerce committee appointed as a result of the agitation for a new hotel in El Paso has not yet made a report, nothing definite having been decided upon. A number of plans Wilmarth, S. J. Larkin, George R. Le have been advanced for promoting the construction of the hotel, and also securing a site A bonus for the builder,

Correspondence has been opened with Caldwell & Drake, of Columbus, Ind. who are well known public building promoters and contractors. They were awarded the first contract for the construction of the Arkansas state capital building at Little Rock, and recently closed a deal for the erection of a \$756-00 courthouse at Topeka, Kans. Among the buildings they have recently com-pleted is the five story Colonial hotel and the state Normal school at Springfield, Mo. The hotel is one of the mod-ern hostelries in the southwest.

A number of other contractors have ilso been approached but the members make public the result of their investigations. That a number, however, are interested, is the statement advanced.

RANCH IS SOLD DOWN THE VALLEY

Louisville Man Comes to El Paso and Invests in Property.

El Paso gains by Louisville's loss. J. Nagel, a business man of Louisville, has bought 15 acres eight miles below El Paso on the county road, and will mprove it with a residence and orchard, and will put in a garden and alfaifa tracts. The deal was closed by Pence Bros., the consideration being \$3000.

George Pence, of this same firm, has empleted his country home on the Pence ranch down the valley. He has ebullt the house which was on the 14 acres he owns, eight miles below th city, and has moved there. The land has also been improved and put in fruit. alfalfa and garden.

CLINT, DOWN THE VALLEY, IS ON THE BOOM.

Clint, Texas, is on the boom. Kinney Bros. are building a new store in the little town down the valley, a number of residences are being built in and near the own, and a number of residents of the valley town are plan-ning to build new homes during the The building boom which has struck the entire lower valley has invaded Clint, and the other valley municipalities will have to hurry to catch

Globe Mills Graham Flour, also Whole Wheat Flour. Fresh from the rolls. Nuff Sed. Try a sack. At all grocers.



St. Regis Hotel. Tribute Is Paid to Man Who Really Laid Out and Started El Paso.

Responding to the sincere tributes of Responding to the sincere tributes of pass from a teapot. I was sworn in his friends, Gen. Mills renewed his faith and given a barrel of maps." in the city of his early manhood, the city which he loves second only to the town of his nativity, by declaring that he would build a monument to himself and to the old El Paso which would take the form of a modern building, the finest in

The banquet was spontaneous, was planned by the business men of the city as an appreciation of what the distinguished citizen has done and is doing for the city of his choice.

The Speakers.

W. H. Burges presided as toastmaster at the banquet. to be grateful for," he said at the beof the speech making. have gathered here to testify to our good friend, Gen. Mills. We have the Mills building, are going to have the Mills dam, and I am reliably informed that we are to have a new Mills building. No one will doubt that the things which El Paso has to be proud of are of this evening. You all know him and words are superfluous. We want to hear from Capt, Beall."

Capi. Beail, business associate and

close personal friend of Gen. Mills, paid the first tribute to the distinguished guest, the tribute of a friend to a friend. "We are here as business men of El Paso to pa ya worthy tribute of honor to one or the city's pioneers. terials for a number of contracts where ago when this city was known as Smith's ranch. It was not even dignified as a town or hamlet. Later it was named Franklin after the christian name of Franklin Coons. Thereafter it was changed from Franklin to El Paso. You have here now as the guest the man who had the honor of naming this place (applause). From that time until he left us, he was active in the interest of El Paso. He mapped out the Mills property on the first map. I think we now have here the most prominent of all citizens El Paso has ever had and we all delight to honor him this evening. He was active, zealous and faithful. We cannot go the first irrigation congress for the Elephant Butte dam. Under treaty stipulation the dam is to be built and we are the beneficiaries of it. want to hear from Gen. Mills. He has been a part of everything pertaining to El Paso. Gen. Mills, we want to

Gen. Mills Speaks. The applause when Gen. Mills arose to speak was prolonged and he was number of times before the grizzled old veteran, the reho of war and peace,

It is a proud thing to be entertained as I have been here tonight. I take it the valleys surrounding El Paso on all sides. The trend of immigration is southwestward in its direction, and was told I would be expected to as soon as the government puts water reminisce. If I had a younger audion these lands there will be no limit ence I would fee more ree to tell more liberal stories. But here on my street. Phones: Bell 849; Auto, 1849.

right is a companion of my youth (Joseph Magoffin). He was here be-fore I was. I came here as a discharged ing the beautiful stratification which it is not often given to a man to be makes it so valuable commercially. All honored by his fellowmen while yet contracts made by the company for its product specify matched marble, giving friendship.

It is not often given to a man to be cadet. I was appointed by a member of congress from Indiana. I did not make good. Realizing my failure, I was ashamed to go home to my father. Friday evening, surrounded by the Friday evening, surrounded by the companions of his early manhood and get and I landed here with \$10. I had the business men who know and appre-known some of the officers stationed at the post here, back at the academy. diplomat-citizen has done for El Paso, told them I had failed at school and eld days were the feature of the speakfather of my friend here, found that I prominent citizen, was paid the highest had had some engineering. He asked human tribute, the acknowledgement of me if I could survey land. They had a debt of gratitude and its payment in elected a man named Rufus Doan as surveyor and he did not know a com-

> Early Day Reminiscences. Gen. Mills then indulged in reminiscences of the early days in El Paso while he was the surveyor and was intimately associated with the men of the miserable gambler who had been locked | he continued: Cutting affair when a similar attempt of the southwest. Gen. Mills has a fund of reminiscence and has a whole-

> > Put Under Way.

en teams and as many more men

swooping down on the site of the new building and starting to work loading

the dirt. Sunday the Y. W. C. A. will

R. B. Blas Fuel Co.

soon be in order.

ing and he was urged to tell more before he ceased talking.

GENERAL

ANSON MILLS

HEARING. THE

"I'm Going to Bulld."

After he had taken his chair amid the applause of his friends Gen. Mills asked to be permitted to speak again briefly. "I forgot something I was going to the general modestly said. wanted to say to you here that I am to any town save the one where I was going to bulld."

This was enough. The crowd broke into cheers and the general was again old times. He told of the attempted forced to acknowledge the evation to raid on the Mexican fail to liberate a him. When the applause had subsided, "I have raised \$200,000 up, and how a young man named Henry and I am going to put it all into the had met his death. He also told of the building. It will be as much as eight stories, possibly nine, it may be ten was planned but was given up when the and possibly 12. I want you all to seriousness of the move was realized. help me. I want you to sympathize resided as toastmaster He told of the Lieut. Flipper affair at with me for I am tearing down a build-We have many things Fort Davis and of the part that the ing into which I put \$60,000 and from late John Dean played in the affairs which I am getting \$1000 a month in rents. Only the shame of having that building in the center of a progressive

"I just to which I became atached more than

MILLS.

Major W. J. Fewel, who has often made the boast that he would erect a building one story higher than the highest in the city, was called upon by Burges to announce his 14 story building, after Gen. Mills had finished. Baron, R. F. Burges, William H. Bur-"I know major Fewel is superstitious ges, William F. Robinson, H. S. Potter, will not build 13 stories. It is

Major Fewel responded by saying C. Davis, W. G. Walz, C. A. Kinne, that when he made the statement he J. Fewel, Judge P. F. Edwards, L. D. would erect a building one story high- Glibert, Claiborne Adams, Francis Galsome humor which makes his stories city has led me to build. I am leaving er than the highest there were only a lagher, Charles Ric doubly interesting. His stories of the something of a monument in the town few three story structures in the city. Raymond Hackett. er than the highest there were only a lagher, Charles Richardson, A. G. Trost,

This puts a number of the proposed

sites out of the running, and reduces

Fewel Speaks.

up to him to build a 14 story building. We want to hear from major Fewel."

approaching nearer than 40 feet to an

Engineer for Chicago Packers Is Here Inspecting

for a more patriotic attitude toward the state of Texas on the part of the

El Pasoans and predicted that El Paso

would some day be the greatest empire city in the empire state of the Judge P. F. Edwards and T. M. Winge also spoke briefly in praise of the great

Thanks to Gen. Mills In closing toastmaster Burges said:

"I feel authorized to say to Gen. Mills

that wherever he may be, he can rest

assured that the people of El Paso

realize that to the work he has done

is due in no small part the prosperity

the people of El Paso wish him many

The Guests.

The guests at the banquet were: Gen. Anson Mills, Wilbur Keblinger, H. B.

Stevens, O. H. Baum, Joseph Magoffin,

W. H. Austin, D. M. Payne, Ernest

Kohiberg, A. P. Coles, A. Schwartz, Charles DeGroff, T. M. Wingo, W. L.

Tooley, J. J. Mundy, J. A. Smith, J. C.

A. S. J. Eylar, Capt. T. J. Beall, R. H.

Ward, Millard Patterson, J. A. Buckler,

J. F. Williams, William W. Follett, W.

work of Gen. Mills.

Plans.

Surveys are being made in the Santa Fe reservation for the new International Stockyard company's yards, which are to be built between the Santa Fe yards and the river.

E. J. Parrot, construction engineer for the Nelson Morris company, the Chicago packers, has been here inspecting the plans for the stockyards. This firm of packers, which is extending its business brough the west and southwest, is behind the movement to give El Paso adequate stockyards for the handling of Mexican and Arizona cattle. Charles F. Hupt and Frank M. King, of El Paso, are promoting the plan for the new stockyards and Mr. King will be the general manager of the yards when

they are completed The yards of the International com pany will have a capacity of 250 cars and will be built from the most modern The yards will be paved with plans. vitrified brick and the streets will be of the same construction. A warehouse, office and other buildings will be built at the stockyards, the total cost of the entire yards being estimated at \$15,000.

RUSHING BUSINESS FOR THE VALLEY AUTO LINE.

An auto line is now running regularly etween El Paso and Ysleta. The auto arrives each morning, returning in the afternoon with passengers and freight. Friday it left for Ysleta with three passengers a sack of potatoes and a toot of the horn. The auto line is doing a brisk business, its owner says, as the interest in the lower valley is keener now than at any time since the county road was completed.

Postoffice site-postoffice site-who the running, although nothing definite, tilated, to be built on the site without is going to sell the government a post- has yet been announced. office site? This troublesome question continues to haunt the owners of down-The bill appropriating money for a site is expected to pass congress at the present session, and a selection of

town property. Sites have been proposed in every part of the district included between the union station and
Compbell street, and even north of the

conditions the present session, and a selection of
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the sites to a few having the necessary
done, it is thought. Campbell street, and even north of the The Z. T. White property, on San

The government requirements call for at the same time be reasonable enough Francisco street, seems to be ahead in

a site large enough to permit a one in price to permit the government to story building, well lighted and ven-

MASONS HAVE A NEW CLUB ROOM Scottish Rite Chapter Makes Improvements in Its

Hall. When the Scottish Rite Masons come Y. W. C. A. and Several Other Buildings Are

to El Paso from all parts of the southwest for the semiannual reunion this month, they will be unable to find the little Scottish Rite club room which was the lounging place for them at the former reunions. Instead there will be a large, newly furnished club room, This has been ground breaking week with reading and writing tables, easy in El Paso. The First Church of Christ, chairs and a billiard room in connec-Scientist, broke ground for its new \$10 .-The partitions and closets in the 000 structure on Montana and Stanton southeastern corner of the Masonic streets. The ground breaking at the Schutz building consisted of a half doz-

temple have been removed, making the corner into one large club room, which opens directly into the Scottish Rite assembly hall. Three rooms have been made into one, and the second floor lodge room, as well as the club, has been repainted

hold a formal ground breaking exercise on the site of the new boarding home and papered. which is to be built on West Missouri Pictures of Albert Pike have been street. Other ground breakings will Wood, coal, feed, cement, plaster, lime, building paper. 1814 Missouri

adjoining building.

Drowns Out the Noise of the Knockers in Business Section.

The rumble of the concrete mixers has drowned the wall of the knockers in El Paso. On almost every street in the business district the concrete mixers are grinding out their buildings in the rough and the mixture of El Paso cement, El Paso stone and good El Paso sand is wheeled away by El Paso laborers to be poured into boxes to form El Paso skyscrapers.

The mixers have been started at the new Roberts-Banner building, at the in El Paso years ago. On the opposite wall is a picture of James D. Richardson sovereign grand commander of the Scottish Rite for the southarn fundaments. At the M. Side two big mixers are at work, rushing the concrete for this business block, and the Schutz building will soon be ready for the concrete workers. The Reckhart building soon be ready for the builders.