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Call For a Mass Meeting

THE declaration of principles put out by the Citizens' candidates for school trustees is plainly enough worded so that there may be no misapprehension about their position. A mass meeting is called for Thursday evening at the courthouse and those persons who would like to see a change in the personnel of the board and a doing away with political control and outside interference should attend the meeting and express themselves.

El Paso spends more on her schools per capita of school population than almost any other city in the United States—two or three times as much as other southern cities. It is a question whether we have been getting the greatest worth out of our money with the present system of school management and administration.

Economy does not mean neglect or parsimony but means rather a wise policy of expenditure. There is no intention of cutting down expenditures in right channels, but only to cut off waste and adopt wiser policies of conserving the school fund.

The Citizens' candidates pledge themselves to abide by the law and to serve the public interests. Some members of the board in the past have not been conspicuous exemplars of either principle.

Who cares what congress is doing? The baseball season is on.

"A flying start" might be applied to describe the man who embarks in the chicken business.

If "a thing of beauty is a joy forever," most of the new spring hats will give joy for but a short time.

Manual Training In School

THE report of the superintendent of manual training as published today is of interest to every patron of the public schools. El Paso was far behind other cities in adopting this branch of public education; but when it was finally decided to undertake it the equipment provided was modern and complete in every respect.

The course in manual training from the lowest grade to the highest is well planned and well balanced. The practical side is of course kept in view at all times, and yet there is enough theory and artistic direction to insure a clear understanding of the principles underlying the work and due appreciation of the importance of beauty, order, and originality in the fruits of human labor.

The general educational effect of the manual training courses is wholly good. These courses supply certain essential factors in education that can be brought forward in no other way. Manual training in the public school course is not an encroachment but an enrichment. More time rather than less should be assigned to these courses in expression; they give normal employment to the natural functions of childhood's mind and hand, and afford a general stimulus to young intelligence, making it possible to inculcate many vitally important principles of life and work through exciting the children's interest.

This department of the school system should be adequately supported and extended, even if it should be necessary to curtail somewhere else.

The G. O. P. elephant may have received a few splinters in his sides of late, but the Democratic burro is still in the scrap heap.

Today and every day there are approximately 3,000,000 persons seriously ill in the United States, more than half of which illness is preventable without great effort. It is bad business to have so large a percentage of our national machinery shut down all the time.

New Mexico has taken a long step forward in levying a special tax to build good roads. State aid in road building is a policy well established now among the more progressive states of the union. Texas might inaugurate a system of state participation by placing her convicts at work on the roads instead of letting them out to private employers.

It Is Universal Complaint

EL PASO is not the only city where the little bills have been hard to collect recently. The complaint is universal among merchants and business men that collections of individual accounts are poor, while the volume of trade is highly satisfactory.

Automobiles and moving picture shows are blamed in many parts of the country. There is no general complaint of men being out of work, for the industries are working full time or overtime, but there is no doubt a strong tendency towards extravagance in personal living.

Locally the keno games in Juarez, Mexico, have been for many months draining out of El Paso large sums of money from the legitimate channels of local trade, and this drain has been and is being felt in nearly every branch of business. Then there is an unprecedented degree of self indulgence in amusement, travel, and luxuries. When the springs dry up the streams will go dry or be greatly reduced. So with the mass of small purchasers in stores, the wage earners and salaried people—when their buying power in the general channels of trade is curtailed for any reason, or they begin to be slack about paying their small bills, the larger streams of traffic and finance inevitably feel the effect of such interference with normal business conditions.

All over the country the cry is the same—an immense volume of business with extraordinary dearth of money, a strong demand for goods in every line and an general desire, almost as strong, to dodge the bill collector.

J. J. Hill calls attention to the fact that the people of the United States will spend \$400,000,000 this year buying new automobiles, and that they will spend \$100,000,000 in attending the moving picture shows. He says we all can't afford it, and he ought to know, for he holds the bag.

Like the trees, the people will soon be leaving for the summer.

A man who would try to sell boats in El Paso would have the nerve to offer Bibles in San Antonio.

You can now get an automobile on ten days' free trial, but it is harder to do without it after the ten days than it was before.

"Hope shines brightly," but it is necessary to turn on the electricity if you want customers to come into the store at night. Advertising is the electricity of day.

UNCLE WALT'S Denatured Poem

THEY tell about a wondrous man who died ere you were born; and I believe the tales I've heard about him—in a horn. They say this gentleman excelled in everything he tried; and he could write a lovely ode, or pierce a swordsman's hide; or plan a war or kiss a cook, or sing a serenade; he was the glory of his sex; when can his glory fade? With all his skill I've never heard of anything he's done that helped to brighten up the world or cheer a weary one. The Criticisms do not cut much grass out of the poet's page; the world is waiting specialists in this prosaic age. Don't try to learn a gross of things, to make one thing well; to learn one thing is quite enough—but learn that one thing well. I'd rather build a wall of mud and do the job up brown, than have a hand in every trade that's humming in the town. For men who favor walls of mud, would see how well I wrought, and when they're wanting walls themselves, they'd hire me on the spot. No odds how humble your task, if you make up your mind to do it better than 'twas done in all the years behind, the world will hear about your skill, will know that you excel; so learn to do one kind of thing, and learn to do it well.

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THE Tired Business Man Tells Friend Wife That Reception Will Be No Pink Tea.

SO Mr. Roosevelt has called his willingness to be given a reception when he comes home? exclaimed Friend Wife. "Yes, and it will be a reception and not a 5 o'clock pink tea," said the Tired Business Man. "You may have read incidentally that the government is not inclined to accept the Maxim silencers for American guns, big or otherwise. So those hopefuls who expected that T. R. would sneak over here some dark night and enter the United States through a subterranean entrance and land in the city, giving an impersonation of Ellihu Root, are going to be terribly disappointed.



"BELLS ON HIS TOES"

"Of course there are those who know of T. R.'s quiet and retiring disposition, almost amounting to shyness, such as has characterized his past performances, and they were surprised to learn that his scruples could be overcome enough to consent to anything resembling a public reception when he was returning from the jungle to the land of the boochee koochee, accompanied by a minstrel show reminiscent of the Brownsville battalion and his spent a comparatively quiet year shooting elephants, white rhinos, bongos, lingo dingas, giraffes and other small game, and has traveled on the front porch of a locomotive, one's innate timorousness is displaced by a craving for the companionship of one's own land, say about five or ten million of them.

"There were those who thought they could induce him to lead a dash for the south pole, but he put a damper on this after learning that a brass band cannot operate in a climate where the action of the slide trombone and bass tuba is hampered by frost. He was perfectly good forester and smeared him all over the landscape so that he looked more like an oddfellow than a forester. Whereupon the Back-Front-Elba club held a grand lodge of sorrow and the cable began throbbing spasmodically.

"If I could only get in touch with the entertainment committee of the Back-Front-Elba club, they'd take a third term," asked Friend Wife. "No," said the Tired Business Man, "but he wouldn't object to a fourth or fifthth."

furnished by William H. Taft and Richard Achilles Ballinger? "Following would be the Second Elective Term brass band heading a detachment of cheering fat majors of the regular army. James R. Garfield, raising a racquet, tennis brand. Allegorical float representing the Ultimate Consumer plecting splinters of the tariff plank out of his system. Prominent goats of the Tennis Cabinet in carriages. Float representing Glavin attached to the Iron Balls. More brass bands playing the popular tune from "Elektra." Graduates from the Conservation Conservatorie singing "What's a Mine's Mine." Trust waving certificates of incorporation. Delegation of bath rubbers and attendants from the Hummunity Baths. Intermission of 15 minutes representing Wall street delegation. Detachment of former rough riders bumped from federal jobs. Anvil chorus. W. Dudley Foulke writing himself a letter. Steam roller operators out of jobs. William Loeb in silence. T. R. riding on a elephant with rings on his fingers and bells on his toes. Prominent twins and triplets in carriages. The S. O. directorate in a fit. Music and fireworks."

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With The Exchanges

EL PASO ALWAYS LEADS. From Albuquerque (N. M.) Journal. The El Paso chamber of commerce has begun to organize its delegation for the next national irrigation congress at Pueblo. This is a matter which should have the attention of the Albuquerque commercial club.

were described with no more accuracy than those of the first man. The third actor to enter carried a revolver from which the cylinder had been removed. He acted "like a man" and ran out second. Most of the eyewitnesses scarcely noticed him. Professor McKeever was described as badly scared, even turning pale. The motive is obvious. It proves you ought not to believe everything that honest people tell you.

ENCOURAGE TREE PLANTING. From Santa Fe (N. M.) New Mexican. Santa Fe didn't do quite as well as Tucumcari, or Roswell, or Alamogordo on Arbor day, and those towns will some day be more beautiful than Santa Fe, unless this city wakes up to the necessity of planting more trees for greater civic beauty. Says the El Paso Herald: "March 18 was Arbor day in New Mexico. The children at Alamogordo were given a half holiday and planted 239 trees, 258 roses, 160 vines and shrubs, 55 bulbs, and 198 lots of flower seeds. One hundred children reported that they had cleaned up their yards. Such an institution is worth a good deal in the proper education of the youngsters."

SUICIDE VERDICT IN ROSWELL CASE. Roswell, N. M., April 12.—The verdict of the coroner's jury is that May Rushing, aged 22 years, of Claremont, Kent county, Texas, committed suicide by shooting.

TESTIMONY. From Collier's Weekly. During a recitation of the class in psychology taught by Prof. William A. McKeever, at the State Agricultural college, Manhattan, Kansas, three men suddenly dashed into the room, played a holdup game and ran out again. Then, before the 25 unprejudiced eyewitnesses had time to recover from the shock and exchange ideas, the professor made them describe what they had seen.

CAMPBELL AT THE LABOR CONVENTION. Austin, Tex., April 12.—It is announced here today that O. B. Colquhoun will not go to Galveston to address the state labor convention as previous arrangements interfere. Davidson, Polinger and Johnson, however, will attend. Governor Campbell and railroad commissioner Williams left for Galveston last night.

APPLY FOR CITIZENSHIP. Albert Birtch, 72 years old, residing at 1010 Rio Grande street, a retired business man, who came to this country from Wurtemberg, Germany, in April, 1857, has applied for citizenship papers. Pablo Rodriguez, a native of Yahuical, Mexico, a laborer, 28 years old, residing at 202 South Santa Fe street, has also applied for citizenship papers. He came to El Paso, walking from Juarez in 1881.

MRS. CASEY GIVEN HEARING. Mrs. Lena Casey, charged with arson, is being given a hearing this afternoon in Justice E. B. McClintock's court.

THROWN FROM BUGGY. While W. W. Fink was driving past the city hall this morning his horse became frightened at an automobile, and Mr. Fink was thrown from the buggy. He was not injured.

DELL PHONE 116. Will sell anything you have to sell room.

Jefferson's Birthday

THOMAS JEFFERSON BELONGS TO ALL AMERICANS

THOMAS JEFFERSON was born at Shadwell, Virginia, on April 13, 1743. Tomorrow will be celebrated as the 167th anniversary of that event. In the state of Alabama the day is legal holiday, but elsewhere it is written in stone on the calendars of those who call themselves Democrats. In many cities these will gather about banquet boards to extol the virtues of the founder and patron saint of their party, the while indulging in rosy dreams of victory in the coming elections.

Disregard Jefferson's Wish. The practice of celebrating the birthdays of eminent men was inaugurated early in the history of the republic, being copied from the English custom of making the king's birthday the principal patriotic festival of the political year. Mr. Jefferson himself particularly disapproved of this practice, as it was offensive to his extremely Democratic notions, smacking of the hated monarchy. While he was president, a political friend asked him: "Mr. President, what is the date of your birth? We wish to celebrate it fittingly." The author of the Declaration of Independence replied: "For that reason I decline to enlighten you, nothing could be more distasteful to me than what you propose, and when you address me, I shall be obliged if you will omit the 'mister.'"

Nobody in America is afraid of monarchy just now, and no one is enough of a Democrat to object to the aristocratic title of "mister," therefore Jefferson's wishes are disregarded and his birthday is celebrated regularly, as it has been ever since the great man died, at the age of 82, on July 4, 1826.

Other Birthdays Celebrated. Only six Americans are remembered habitually and annually by the celebration of a special day in their honor. Washington's birthday is a legal holiday in all of the states and territories and is celebrated in every part of the world wherever there are two or three Americans gathered together.

Lincoln's birthday is a legal holiday in 22 states. It comes more nearly than any other to approaching the national character of the Washington birthday celebration, and it is observed even in those states where it is not yet legally set aside as a holiday. For many years this day was claimed exclusively by the Republican party, but in late years it has lost its purely political character and has become more national in scope.

One of the seceding confederate states, Florida, has made it a legal holiday, and it is celebrated in the schools in nearly all of the southern states. Andrew Jackson has a day sacred to his memory, although it is the anniversary of the battle of New Orleans and not his birthday. The 8th of January is known as Jackson day, is a legal holiday in Louisiana, is the occasion of great social festivities in Tennessee, and is a rallying day for the Democratic party in the remainder of the union.

The birthday of Jefferson Davis is a legal holiday in eight states, as is that of Robert E. Lee in seven states. Of the United States at Washington, Jefferson drove a sharp political bargain. The states of Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, and others of the northwest territory are a legacy from another political plot of Jefferson's.

Believed in People. Political historians, one of them a scientist, linguist, fiddler, mathematician, he was above everything else the great democratic statesman who believed sincerely and absolutely in the people and their right to rule themselves. Yet he was, himself, of the aristocracy and not a man in his most violent democratic days would he wholly forget his birth and social station. In his old age the party which he had founded raised up a leader from among the people. Andrew Jackson, and no man was more afraid than the aged Jefferson.

When he was 22 years old Thomas Jefferson wrote the Declaration of Independence, being selected as the chairman of the committee because he was young and had taken no part in the congressional quarrels and jealousies. He wrote with words of fire that great declaration of human rights and indictment of monarchic government. Congress struck out the anti-slavery portions of the document, but it was adopted practically as Jefferson wrote it and thus the United States of America came into existence as a free nation.

Many men in his day did not agree with Jefferson, and many believed him to be a demagog. Many men still hold these views. Others, then and now, hail him as the great apostle of true political democracy. But all men must agree that he was one of the greatest and greatest of the able and great generation which ushered the great republic into the council of the nations.

Tomorrow—Baseball Writers.

(From The Herald of this date, 1896)

14 Years Ago Today

COMMITTEES NAMED TO ENTERTAIN NEWSPAPER MEN IN CONVENTION

The city council met last night when the finance committee of the school board argued that they were entitled to their share of the assessments and after considerable argument it was referred to the finance committee of the city council. George Look complained that the ditch had been torn up and he was appointed a special policeman to protect the property. Ed Kneezell was appointed presiding judge for precinct number three to succeed D. W. Reckhart, who recently resigned.

Felldano Martinez, who was on trial yesterday charged with murdering a Mexican near the Santa Fe bridge last September, was dismissed by Judge Buckler on motion of the district attorney, because, the latter was of the opinion that Martinez's wife, who confessed to the killing before her death a short time ago, was guilty of the deed.

One hundred and fifty newspaper men will attend the annual meeting of the press association in El Paso this month and committees have been appointed to assist in their entertainment. The members of these committees are R. F. Campbell, J. M. Hawkins, Juan Hart, A. B. McKie, Charles Lougreaux, J. A. Escalada, Charles Davis, Joseph Magoffin, C. N. Buckler, W. J. Pewel, W. H.

TO MACADAMIZE THE COUNTY ROAD TO FABENS

Paving to Be Nine Feet in Width—To Put Up Mile Posts.

County judge A. S. J. Elyar was authorized by the county commissioners, in session this morning, to put mile posts all along the county road from Anthony to Fabens and to have 2000 cards printed with instructions to drivers to keep to the right of the road.

An appropriation of \$500 was made for repairing the Hueco road and it was decided to pave the Clint-Fabens road with nine feet of macadam.

Owing to the fact that this is not a regular term of the county court, the matter of establishing a voting precinct at Lobo and a school district at La Valley was passed over until the first meeting in May.

All quit claim deeds for the Clint-Fabens road are in the hands of the county clerk and work on this road will commence immediately.

J. G. Galley, of Galley & Clark, the contractors who are building the Yaletta-Clint road, asked that they be allowed more money for handling larger rock in building the shoulders to the road. This matter was referred to a committee composed of Judge Elyar, commissioner Smith and county clerk James Meadows to report back. They will go down the road this afternoon to investigate conditions.

Letters To the HERALD

(All communications must bear the signature of the writer, but the name will not be published where such request is made.)

PROTEST AT STOCKYARDS. El Paso, Tex., April 11, 1910. Editor El Paso Herald: From a permit applied for to establish stockyards in the second ward, which, it is said, are proposed to be located on some five or more acres of ground in the Magoffin addition, the people, residents and house owners in that section have entered their signed, unqualified, and indignant protest to the mayor and council of El Paso.

The establishing of such a business is fraught with dire results to not only that part of this growing city, but to all other sections. It is a case of civic pride, vs. cattle herding, and all of the attendant evils.

City Improves Ward. The mayor and council of the present administration have placed themselves on record by establishing uniform street grades, macadam paving, eliminating mudholes and helping educate those who live in that part of the city to maintain a progressive spirit.

The residents, seeing that the city officials are working for the best interests, are now actuated by a spirit of active emulation, and are erecting brick and concrete buildings, are gradually abandoning the old style of unsightly "shacks" and adobes. This, in itself alone, shows what can be done by mutual efforts.

Now, it is proposed to locate a stockyard in the midst of these progressive people, that will detract from the part of the city which will care to put up a building that is truly habitable, but would consider a "shack" sufficient.

The city in that part of the city now, with the wonderful increase of transfer railroad traffic, much congested. Imagine hundreds of cars of cattle to be shoveled with dirt, it is plain to be seen that this congestion should not be enlarged.

Besides, the mayor and council have passed an ordinance that no citizen shall have over one cow or horse in his yard, or her yard, or on the premises, when an inspection will be made, on complaint and the cost of said official must be borne by the owner of one cow, or something to that effect. Yet here is a proposition that asks for a lot of corral from one corral to thousands of cattle, and placed in the midst of people who are striving to better themselves and to live sanitariously and up to the laws of their city.

It is a well known fact that cattle are more or less liable to be attacked by hordes of flies, and scientific research has demonstrated that these pests are certainly carriers of disease and it has been recommended that all citizens should adopt measures for their destruction. The dairies and slaughter houses were compelled to move out into the sparsely settled districts of the county, and yet it is proposed, in their stead, to herd cattle in no uncertain numbers in our midst. It is not thought that the mayor and council will sanction this.

Want to Go Forward. The protest of those who reside in this locality should be heeded and nothing allowed to interfere or jeopardize in the remotest way with health and advancement. People do not wish to go backward when it is more to their interest to go forward.

Infuse into the citizens of the south side of El Paso an admiration and love for the beautiful, with all sanitary regulations complied with, and it will not be long ere that portion will be a close second to other parts now being made beautiful by improvements, the parking of streets and the adornment of homes, which has been adopted and greatly augmented by valued suggestions from The Herald.

DEATHS AND BURIALS. CLEM C. FORD. Clem C. Ford, 25 years of age, an actor by profession, died this morning at Highland Park. The body will be shipped by Nagley & Koster to Milwaukee, Wis., a mother and a brother accompanying the remains.

MRS. G. W. TILTS. Mrs. George W. Tiltz died yesterday at her home, 402 Sixth street. She was 42 years of age, and is survived by her husband. Funeral services were held this afternoon, interment being made at Concordia cemetery.