

ONE WELL DOWN AT LAS CRUCES

Another Is Being Sunk For Water System—Postmaster Branigan Ill.

The office of The Herald for Las Cruces is in the Robinson Drug Store, "The Quality Store." This firm will deliver The Herald each night at the regular rate of 50 cents a month.

Las Cruces, N. M., Jan. 25.—The first well for the city water supply has been completed, and closed and a new one is being started at a distance of about 200 feet from the location of the one just finished. The finished well is down 125 feet and from analysis by Prof. Hays at the college, made yesterday, it is reported that the water is very pure.

Capt. Thomas Branigan, postmaster at Las Cruces, is very seriously ill at his home on the outskirts of town with erysipelas.

The removal to the new postoffice has caused a great deal of extra work and strain on the postmaster, in order to give the patrons good service under such conditions.

The following business was done at the United States land office here yesterday:

Desert Entries. Leroy Foster, San Marcial, N. M., northwest 1-4 section 11, township 22 south range 8 west.

Homestead Entries. Frank W. Petros, Rosales, N. M., southeast 1-4 section 22, township 25 south range 9 west.

Lee Morgan, Deming, N. M., North 1/2 northwest 1-4 section 30, township 22 south range 8 west, north 1/2 northeast 1-4 section 35, township 22 south range 9 west. Rejected for the reason that the excess area was not paid for.

James Billingslea, Deming, N. M., south 1/2 northeast 1-4 section 22, township 22 south range 7 west. Subject to the right of way of the Southern Pacific railway.

Personal News. Mrs. Peter Freeman, of Sierra Blanca, Tex., arrived in the city yesterday accompanied by Miss Alberta Strickland, who is going to be enrolled as a student in the school of the sisters of Loreto. Mrs. Freeman is visiting Mrs. Brown. T. R. Rouault, Sr., arrived on last night's train from the Pass city, having returned from Kansas City, Mo., on the Golden State, after an absence of 10 days on a business trip. M. H. Petersen is in the city from

El Paso on business matters. Mr. Peterson's home is in Cruces, but he and his wife are spending the winter in El Paso.

The Thursday Bridge club met this week at the home of Mrs. Merrill on Alameda road.

The young son of Lytton Taylor is very sick with acute bronchitis.

Plenty of Entertainment. Las Cruces had a good deal of entertainment going on Wednesday night with three bills at as many places of amusement.

A company which has been playing in El Paso was billed for one night, but through lack of advance advertising did not draw a big house.

The Crystal theater had a special vaudeville bill, which drew a good house, while the Elks at the Airborne had a benefit for the building fund and made quite a good sum for that purpose.

Last night the women of the Eastern Star gave a musical and reception at the Masonic temple, followed by light refreshments.

Many Comers and Goers. W. E. Baker went to El Paso yesterday, returning on the night train.

Mr. Shibley returned last night from a trip to the southern part of the county in the interests of the reclamation service.

A. L. Longnecker, arrived on the morning train from the north yesterday and left for the Pass city this morning.

Fred West, of St. Louis, is a business visitor here.

B. Grabl was spending the day in the valley from El Paso.

O. P. Powers, of El Paso, was a Pass city visitor in Cruces yesterday.

L. G. Robinson, of Kansas City, is a newcomer in the valley.

C. T. Buennin, of Socorro, is down to the valley on business matters.

J. A. Beal, also of El Paso, Tex., is up spending the day in the valley.

D. B. Stephens, of Deming, was a valley visitor Thursday.

J. A. Beal, also of El Paso, is in the valley attending to business matters.

F. A. Brown, of El Paso, is a valley visitor.

Wm. Mann, of Kansas City, arrived on the southbound yesterday.

J. B. Ridgeway, of Chicago, Ill., is in the city for a few days on business.

W. S. McMath was up from El Paso Thursday.

Charles H. Taft, of Des Moines, Ia., is a newcomer in the valley.

H. D. Bowman left yesterday for Albuquerque to attend the meeting of the Republican central committee, of which he is a member.

The missionary tea of the Baptist church was being held yesterday afternoon at the home of the pastor, Mr. Dowling. An interesting program was given and refreshments were served.

Boys a Farm. Henry Stees has purchased the 50 acre farm that belonged to Charles Reed southwest of town.

Mrs. H. E. Dickinson and Mrs. J. A. Koran and family are newcomers in Cruces.

JUNIOR MOOSE TO ORGANIZE HERE

Supreme Dictator Addresses Local Lodge Regarding Boys' Organization.

Arthur H. Jones, of Indianapolis, Ind., supreme dictator of the Loyal Order of Moose, the guest of the El Paso lodge on Thursday, addressed the members of the local lodge in their club rooms on Texas street Thursday evening.

He explained the purpose of the new order which is being fastened on the Moose, known as the Junior Order of Moose; its members will be boys between the ages of 14 and 21 years.

A lodge will be opened in El Paso and, as the dictator explained, it will teach love, truth, self control and noble aspirations.

Preceding the address of Mr. Jones, A. L. Longnecker, dictator of the local lodge, delivered a short address and he was followed by Dr. Felix P. Miller, who introduced Mr. Jones.

Another Loyalist, past dictator of the local lodge, delivered a short address following that of the supreme dictator, and was in turn followed by Jas. J. Cahlan, deputy organizer, who made a short talk.

Following this, Howard Evridge sang "La Golondrina" and "La Paloma," and then a short musical program was given, following which Mr. Jones was escorted to the union station in an automobile; he took the train for Tucson, Ariz., at 10:30.

Following the departure of the supreme dictator the local members and invited guests enjoyed a smoker.

BRIDGE OUTLAW IS SENT TO THE CHAIR

Silas N. Phelps Pays Penalty For Killing a Deputy Sheriff.

Boston, Mass., Jan. 25.—Silas N. Phelps, the Monroe Bridge outlaw, was electrocuted at the Charleston state prison this morning for the killing of deputy sheriff Emmet F. Haskins at Monroe Bridge on June 12, 1910.

The crime for which Phelps was executed was committed June 12, 1910, when he shot and killed deputy sheriff Haskins, who, with a posse, called at his home in Monroe Bridge, Mass., to place him under arrest on the charge of stabbing William Penman, of Reedsboro, Vt.

Monroe Bridge is situated in the northwestern part of Massachusetts, near the Vermont border. Phelps was employed in a mill in Reedsboro, Vt., and in an altercation with Penman he stabbed the latter with a penknife. Phelps returned to his home in Monroe Bridge, before the Vermont authorities could sweat out a warrant for his arrest.

Word was sent to deputy sheriff Haskins, of Claremont, Mass., who immediately gathered a posse of half a dozen men and rode to Phelps's house to place him under arrest.

When the party arrived at the fugitive's home, they found all the doors barred and the place barred, and upon demanding admittance, were advised by Mrs. Phelps, through the closed door, to go away, as her husband intended to shoot the first man who entered.

The deputy sheriff and his men then broke down the door and as they stepped into the hall, were met by a double charge from Phelps's shotgun. The sheriff fell, mortally wounded.

The posse made a hasty retreat, leaving their leader to die in the hall. Reinforcements were sent for and the house was surrounded, but in some way Phelps managed to evade this watchers and escape to the woods. He was hunted for two days and was finally forced, by hunger, to surrender. He was immediately taken before Judge Henry J. Field, in the Franklin district court, and pleaded not guilty to the charge of murdering Haskins, declaring that the shooting of the deputy sheriff was accidental.

He intended to scare the officer and his men.

Pleas of postponement of the trial were granted several times, but on December 7, 1910, Phelps was found guilty of murder in the first degree and sentenced to be executed on or before January 5, 1912.

On January 3, Gov. Foss requested the executive council to grant the doomed man a respite of 30 days on the ground that new evidence was in sight that might result in a new trial.

Miss Bobbie Brown, of Las Cruces a friend of Miss Annie Arast, of El Paso, spent Tuesday with the latter, returning to her home Wednesday. Miss Arast will return the visit Saturday and will spend Sunday with her friend in the city of the crosses.

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The Postmaster-General, Washington, D. C., August 28, 1911.

Mr. Frederic J. Haskin, Washington, D. C. My dear Mr. Haskin,

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Yours sincerely, (Signed) Frank H. Hitchcock.

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