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LOGAN BRIDGE CELEBRATION TO BE HELD FEB. 20-21.

The good people of Logan are planning a big celebration in commemoration of the completion of the big bridge at that place. The celebration will be held on the 20th and 21st., day of February.

The first day will be given over to routine matters of importance to various road associations and a banquet in the evenings to the officers of these associations and Logan expects to have at this banquet, Governor Mechem, Members of the State Highway Commission and many other notables of the state. The second day will witness the dedication of the bridge.

This bridge has been under the course of construction for the past two years and is a type known as a cantilever steel arch. It is one of the highest and most expensive bridges in the state and its completion opens up the Atlantic to Pacific Highway, coast to coast road which traverses New Mexico; it also opens up the New Texas—Colorado Highway coming thru Plainview Texas and north thru Harding County, passing thru the towns of Mosquero, Solano, Roy, Mills and Abbott and connecting with the Santa Fe Trail at Springer and giving a direct outlet to Colorado from Texas points, and decreasing the mileage to these points considerable.

The new highway is completed in Texas and is in condition for travel from the state line to Tucumcari. The completion of the bridge at Logan and the grading of the David Hill east of Mosquero also the grading of the road from the top of the hill to the Colfax County line will make it in good condition for tourists travel.

Roy being on the direct route of the new highway should send a nice delegation to the celebration and let the people know we are interested in the good road work being done in the state.

The following letter was received by the S. A. from John A. Boswell, of Plainview, Secretary of the Texas—Colorado Highway Association and is in itself explanatory.

Roy should send a number of delegates to this convention for it is expected that delegates will be present from Raton, Plainview, Tucumcari and all towns along the Highway. The association was organized at Hereford, last spring; E. W. Harrison of Hereford, Pres.; J. W. Corn, of Tucumcari, V. Pres.; John Boswell, Plainview Sec. Treas., E. W. Gallegos of Gallegos, John Smithson of Grady, E. W. Harrison of Hereford; B. D. Woodie, of Dimmit and W. E. Risser of Plainview directors.

A route for the Texas—Colorado Highway southeast from Plainview into Central Texas will probably be chosen at the Logan convention also the route from

ROAD CONVENTION AT LOGAN FEB. 20 and 21st.

The Spanish American, Roy New Mexico.

The first annual convention of the Texas—Colorado Highway Association will be held at Logan N. M., February 20 and 21. The Convention will likewise be in the form of a celebration of the completion of the big \$250,000 bridge across the Canadian River at Logan.

The Texas—Colorado Highway is now designated from Plainview to Logan and the main object of the Convention at Logan will be to designate routes north from Logan to Raton and south-east from Plainview into Central Texas. As your city is on one of the proposed routings, we would urge that you at least be represented at the meeting and that, if possible, you have a good delegation from your community present.

The completion of the new bridge will make possible a much shorter route between the larger part of Texas and the resorts of Colorado than any existing route. Within a few years the Texas—Colorado Highway will be traveled by thousands of tourists. Several hundred tourists cars loaded with tourists with money will pass thru the towns on the route it will mean quite a big thing for the towns on the new highway.

The Texas—Colorado Highway is no graft scheme and no salaried promoters are working it up, some of the progressive citizens in several towns realizing the value of tourists travel and the opportunity offered by the new bridge across the Canadian River at Logan organized the association at Hereford last summer. The organization will be definitely selected. There will be no costs to anybody on the route and your only investment will be your work and enthusiasm.

Be sure that your community is present at the Logan meeting to press your claims for the new route.

Yours very truly,
John Boswell,
Secretary Treasurer.

Mrs. Don Bradley and Mrs. Hazen were up from Bradley attending the Roy Trading Co sale last Tuesday.

Mrs. Copeland, who was operated upon at the Plumbic Hospital, is improving nicely.

Phil Anderson and children of Mosquero are visiting the parental Leatherman home this week.

Logan north to Raton will be definitely decided upon at this convention. Now that we have a chance to be placed on an important highway let us do our part and show our appreciation by having a strong delegation at this convention.



FIRE DESTROYS LAS VEGAS NORMAL

Building practically covered by insurance

A fire of unknown origin destroyed the beautiful Las Vegas Normal School Building last Thursday night. The fire was discovered about 11 o'clock and practically the whole upper story was ablaze when discovered and within a very short time the roof fell in causing the work of the firemen to be very dangerous.

For at least four hours the large building seemed to be wrapped in a restless blanket of flame ever leaped higher and in broader swaths. The firemen played five lines of hose on the burning building. Water rushing from the burning building froze as it ran down the side of the stone walls. The night was bitter cold ice forming on the firemen's clothes in spite of the terrific heat from the fire.

By daylight the firemen had the fire under control but the entire building had been gutted and the furnishings all destroyed including the fine library which the Normal had been years in building up.

The main building was the only one destroyed while the other buildings on the campus were undamaged and were saved only by the heroic work of the firemen.

The building was insured for \$125,000 and as the stone walls do not seem to be damaged, the insurance will cover the loss.

The records of the institution were in the vault and were not destroyed altho the library and several valuable collections of different sorts were destroyed.

The president of the Normal, Mr. Wagner with the assistance of the business men of Las Vegas have secured a number of rooms in different parts of the town and the school resumed its usual work Monday morning, altho much handicapped from lack of equipment.

The building will be rebuilt as soon as the insurance is adjusted and the Board of Regents expect to have it completed in time for the beginning of the next school years work in September.

The enrollment of the school was something over 500 regular students and during the summer schools the attendance far passes the 1000 mark.

LADIES OF ROY TO SERVE CHILI DINNER

The ladies of Roy wish to announce that they will serve a good old fashioned Chili Dinner at the Leach Bakery on Saturday, February 11th., the proceeds of which will go to defray the expenses of the agricultural class of the Local High School on their recent trip to the southern part of the state.

At the time that this class was to depart on their journey to Roswell it was found that there were no funds available to defray the expenses of traveling, etc., and it was only thru the diligent efforts of some of the public spirited ladies of the town that the money was advanced so that the trip could be made. It is now up to every citizen in this vicinity who has the good of our schools at heart to see that a sufficient amount of money is raised to fully reimburse those who were so kind as to use their efforts in behalf of so worthy a cause.

Dinner will be served by the ladies from 11:30 to 1:30. Do not forget the day, Saturday February eleventh.

LAS VEGAS NORMAL BURNED LAST WEEK.

I. O. O. F. INSTALLES OFFICERS

The I. O. O. F. Lodge installed the officers for the ensuing term Wed. evening. A large membership was in attendance and a strong line up of officers installed for the ensuing year.

The following officers were installed:

N. G. Ray B. Carr; V. G. Thos Strong; Sec'y. P. C. Haines; Treasurer; J. Floersheim; Fin. Sec'y L. E. Dubler, Warden E. F. Henry; Con. John Whiting, Chaplain Homer Holmes; O. G. Vern Caris; I. G. Russel Kern; R. S. S. James Christmaa, L. S. S. Harry Welsh; R. S. N. G. N. L. Benson L. S. N. G., Jno. Howett; R. S. V. G. Ray Busey; L. S. V. G. J. C. Hester.

The installation work was done by acting D. D. G. M. R. C. Grunig.

The Lodge, which is the strongest Fraternal organization in Harding County, is doing excel-

ENERTAINS BAPTIST LADIES' MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Mrs. Wm. G. Johnson and Mrs. C. W. B. Leatherman entertained the Baptist Ladies missionary Society at the home of the former last Thursday afternoon. The regular routine of business was transacted and the study hour devoted to work. A dainty lunch was served by the hostess. The reports of the Society showed that excellent work was being done and that it was in excellent financial shape.

HAS MOVIE CIRCUIT

Our friend Elvin Nickens has placed his movie outfit on an auto truck and will have a regular movie circuit and will show at the following places each week, Roy, Mosquero, Solano, Mills Abbott and Gladstone. Mr. Nickens is an expert at the game and these town are guaranteed good pictures each week by a good outfit.

ED CABLE ARRESTED AT LAREDO, TEXAS

Just before going to press a long distance call came from Albuquerque giving us the news that Ed. Cable who stole a number of money orders and collected for several C. O. D.'s from Roy Post Office last October was arrested at Laredo, Texas, Tuesday. We were unable to get the facts further than he had been arrested and would be taken to Santa Fe to await the action of the Federal Grand Jury. The amount of Cable's thievery has not yet been fully determined but will amount to several hundred dollars. Only two of several missing orders have been located to date, hence it will be impossible to determine the full loss until all orders are located which may take a month or two yet to find out the full loss. Cable's suit case was found in the depot at Deming on November 6th., and contained 6 of the stolen orders. Since that time Cable has been in Old Mexico and beyond the reach of the U. S. Officials altho his location has been practically known since that time and we presume when he crossed the line at Laredo he was immediately arrested and turned over to the proper authorities.

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