

## LOCAL HAPPENINGS.

## Items of Interest Gathered Around Las Vegas and Vicinity.

FROM SATURDAY'S DAILY.

## LOCAL.

A number of sheep men are in the city, from the Placita country, with their wool clips.

The colored people of the city, numbering some twenty, left this morning for an outing at Kroenig's lake.

There will be a hop at the Montezuma hotel Monday evening, given by the ladies at that place to which a number of Las Vegas have been invited.

Cantaloupe and watermelon season is in full blast at La Junta, several carloads having been received there yesterday, for shipment to St. Louis and other eastern points.

Eugenio Basques, the shepherd who was struck by lightning about a week ago at Pecos, of which THE OPTIC made mention, died this morning from the effects of the electric shock.

Zecarias Valdez, justice of the peace in precinct No. 5, west side, was tried in Judge Wooster's court, yesterday, on the charge of assault on the person of Santiago Padilla. Valdez plead guilty, and was fined \$5 and costs.

Contractor John Hill has been awarded the contract for the building of a handsome two-story stone and brick residence, for Thomas Ross to be located on the corner of Seventh and Baca Avenue. Work will begin at once.

L. H. Manko, senior member of the firm of L. H. Manko & Co., merchandise and furniture dealers, returned from New York, Philadelphia, Boston and St. Louis, where he had been the past month making extensive purchases to meet the demands of his extensive trade. Mr. Manko also purchased two car loads of general household furniture.

It is claimed that one of the largest single shipments of wool ever made from Albuquerque was shipped yesterday by the Las Vegas wool buyer, Thomas Ross, who purchased 1,000 bales of wool from Hild Bros., of that city, and consigned it to St. Louis parties. It took an entire train to transport the nearly 250,000 pounds of wool, of this single shipment.

L. F. Nicodemus, manager of the Depot hotel, returned to the city yesterday, accompanied by his wife. They had been visiting in the east the past month. Mr. Nicodemus at once resumed management of the hotel. Mr. and Mrs. O. Garschen, he having acted as manager in the absence of Mr. Nicodemus, left on the early morning train for Hutchinson, Kas., where Mr. Garschen is in the employ of the Harvey system.

## PERSONAL.

L. L. Lyon came in from the north. Sol Levi, commercial tourist, left for the south.

Simoa Bacharach left on No. 17 for the south.

Nicolas Delgado and son left for Los Alamos, today.

Wm. Steadman left this morning for Gallinas Springs.

Hugo Seaberg, attorney at Springer, came in this afternoon.

E. St. John and wife returned from a two week's trip to Mora.

C. C. Martin, a Roswell sheep man, left yesterday for his home.

E. Webb, sheep buyer from Wichita, left on the early train for his home.

John Lyon, extensive wool buyer, came in on the afternoon train from St. Louis.

Prof. E. L. Hewett, of the Normal school, has returned from his eastern trip.

A. Hollenbeck, prominent ranchman at Shoemaker, N. M., arrived on to-day's train.

Mrs. H. C. Hankin has joined the Whitmore and Knickerbocker party at La Cueva.

Charles Rosenthal and bride are expected to return about the first of September.

Mrs. Kate McColligan left on the afternoon train for Albuquerque, on a visit to her son.

Mrs. E. A. Whitten and son, F. S. Whitten, arrived on the early train from Albuquerque.

Charles Rowe and wife arrived on the early train from Albuquerque, returning on No. 17.

Homer C. Unsel, Earl Hollingsworth and A. T. Rogers, Jr., will spend Sunday in the mountains.

G. A. Rothgeb is at home, from Elizabethtown, where he he is now engaged in the hotel business.

Ben Appel left on the delayed No. 2 for New York, on a purchasing trip for his firm, the Appel Brothers.

W. B. Kelly, John Marks and C. A. Murphy came in from Shoemaker, on business and pleasure intent.

F. Harland, the sheep man, having disposed of his wool clip, left last evening to return to his home at Cahill.

Phil. Doll, B. Brash, Joe Holzman and Hal Reynolds will leave tonight for the Harvey resort to spend tomorrow.

Manuel Goke arrived on the early train from the City of Mexico, where he had been on a pleasure trip the past month.

Contractor J. D. McDonald returned from Pueblo today, bringing fifteen skilled laborers to work on bridges south of town.

Miss Marillita Hubbell, who had spent the summer at Albuquerque and Bernalillo, came in on the early train from the south.

Wm. Stevens, range foreman for H. D. Reinken of Watrous, returned this morning for that place, accompanied by his family.

C. L. Schilleger and wife, who had been in the city the past month, for the latter's health, left on the early train for Colorado Springs.

Nicasio C. de Baos, wife and children, who had been visiting relatives at Pajarito, the past three weeks, returned home last evening.

Mrs. Mary Floyd and five children, family of Nightwatchman Floyd, arrived today from Kansas City, and will make Las Vegas their home.

W. B. Kelly, John Marks, C. A. Murphy, Watrous; W. E. Henderson, Denver and J. O. Neafus, Gallinas Springs, register at the New Optic.

A party of young men consisting of Charles Daniels, Albert Stern, Heto Henriques and John Rogers, left this afternoon for the Harvey resort.

Dr. Mohr and wife, Mrs. W. E. Gortner, Dr. C. H. Bradley and wife, Mrs. Foster and daughter, and Miss Lotte Gray left this morning for the Harvey resort.

W. A. Givens, Grand Master I. O. O. F., returned from Trinidad, where the Odd Fellows and Rebeckah lodges of that town tendered Mr. Givens a royal reception.

W. Y. Black, wife and children, came down from Colorado Springs, on to-day's train, and stopped off at Springer on a visit to Mr. Black's sister, Mrs. J. C. Lockard.

H. M. Adams, Kansas City; Charles Rowe, Albuquerque; Sol Levi, St. Joseph Mo.; L. B. Solomon, Leavenworth; W. A. Pitts, Denver, registered at the Depot hotel.

L. N. Setomen, Kansas City; Sol, E. Levi, St. Joe, Mo.; F. M. Alexander, Mora; H. M. Tichenor, Kansas City; R. Fleischner, Nogales; Mrs. T. A. Whitten, Albuquerque, registered at the Plaza hotel.

Mrs. J. G. Albright, of Albuquerque, returned today from an eastern trip on which she accompanied her daughter, on the latter's way to Paris, where she goes to finish her musical education.

D. T. Lowry and family; Mrs. Field, of Denver; Mrs. Parker, of Denver; Miss Lida Vass, of Missouri; mother, sister and niece of Mrs. Lowry, are at home after several days of pleasant sojourn at El Porvenir.

O. M. Patrbild, St. Louis; Arch. A. Marx, New Orleans; Frank E. Reinhart, W. C. Teasdale, St. Louis; C. E. Jones, Pueblo; R. F. Hoffman, Topeka; Hugh Seaberg, Springer; L. L. Lyon, Denver, registered at the Depot hotel.

## THE B'NAI BRITH.

An OPTIC scribe attended the opening services of the Jewish Temple, last evening, the Temple having been closed for two months during the summer. Rev. Dr. Bonheim conducted the beautiful ritualistic service very impressively, while Misses Bonheim and Rothgeb rendered most charmingly the vocal music with which the ritual is plentifully interspersed.

But that which drew the large number of Gentiles, present last evening, was the announcement that Mr. Fuerth, of St. Louis, the father of Mrs. Myer Friedman, would deliver an address on the great Jewish organization, B'nai Brith, or Sons of the Covenant, and the advantages it would be to the Jewish people to establish a lodge in this city.

Mr. Fuerth is not a lecturer by occupation, but one of the leading wholesale merchants of St. Louis who is in our city on a visit to his daughter, but who was induced to give an account of this organization, with the origin, purposes, extent and achievements of which he is certainly most intimately acquainted.

Mr. Fuerth addressed his auditors in a conversational style and tone, from which he never varied, talking to the large congregation exactly as he would have talked to any one of them separately and alone. Besides his ease of manner and comprehensive grasp of the subject, that which chiefly attracted attention in the speaker was the elegance of his language and the purity and correctness of his diction. Had the entire address been written instead of being manifestly extemporaneous, the words could not have been more accurately chosen or more correctly combined.

The address also gave new ideas to the Gentile hearers, of the works of charity originated and maintained by this order during the fifty years of its existence, not alone in this country but in Europe, where it has been transplanted from America and where it flourishes in acts of pure beneficence.

THE OPTIC cannot give an outline or even synopsis of this address, as the reporter took no notes; but it can be said that every auditor left with a high regard for the speaker, and every Gentile hearer with enlarged conceptions of the work which has and which yet can be done for a people, in the way of unifying their views and efforts and enlarging their benefactions, by a society such as is the B'nai-Brith.

A physician says that dyspepsia frequently causes war to rage in our midst.

## OUR INDEMNITY.

Many people are asking: "In this settlement with Spain where does the United States come in? What indemnity does our country receive for the blood and treasure poured out in this war?" We must not talk it out loud, where it will be heard, says the Salt Lake Tribune; but we have had full indemnity already. How?

In one hundred days our country has taken its place in the fore front of powers, so that in the calculations of nations the United States must henceforth be held as a controlling factor. Again, without many ships, we have taken a foremost place among the nations of the earth as a naval power. The world's great nations read that Admiral Dewey had sunk a heavier fleet than his own and silenced the shore batteries without the loss of a man, and said it was a marvelous accident, that the fleet opposed to him was inferior and that the shore defences were not armed with modern guns.

But when the second fleet composed of ships and armed with guns which those nations declared were a full match, in the battle's line, with our best ships, when this squadron was all destroyed with the loss on our side of one man killed and two wounded, then the nations had to say that it was no accident, that it was the ships, the guns and the men behind the guns, and the question that followed was: "Who can estimate the sea power and the land power of a people like that?"

The triumphs on land have been just the same though with more loss of life, and the world is noting that thus far only 50,000 men have been engaged, while behind them stand 10,000,000 capable of bearing arms.

We have our indemnity in another way. The war revealed our unpreparedness, and possibly saved us half a dozen coast cities which might have been destroyed had our enemy been a first-class power. The lesson taught us was indemnity enough for the cost of this war. We have indemnity in another way. The old estrangement is all gone. General Joe Wheeler helped to kill it, when he climbed the tree to get better view of the enemy's lines.

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