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UNCLE SAM NOT PRESENT

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San Juan valley, shot down cattle and killed several men. This was done to create a state of terror in the midst of this now quiet, peaceful and fertile valley, and allow them to walk off unopposed with herds of grazing cattle. The Stogden boys, Ike and Port, were the leaders of the outlaws. The latter was considered one of the worst desperadoes in Texas, but it is said he had little advantage in this respect over Ike.

Such an outrage could not go unnoticed by the sturdy pioneers of the valley and a company was formed, numbering forty-four as brave men as ever strode a horse or carried a Winchester. Among these recalled at this writing are George Thompson, Wash Cox, Moss Blauvelt (who was at that time deputy sheriff) Pete Koickerbocker, Will, Chas. and Harve McCoy, George Lockhart, Tom Nance, Lew Coe, the Claytons, Eldredges and many others who are perhaps now living in the county. A party of six of the above was scouting for cattle thieves. They crossed the Animas within seventy-five yards of Port's house. He discovered them, and being brave as well as desperate, came out of the door and fired one shot. It missed the mark, and two of the searching party gave him his quietus. This occurred where George Brett now owns a ranch below Aztec. As Port fell to rise no more, his wife ran out with a winchester, placed it across a wagon wheel, but before she could fire Tom Nance said: "Watch me burst the magazine of that gun." He fired and the bullet struck the hammer of the gun held in the woman's hand, shattering her hand, crippling it so it was thereafter useless.

This, however, was only the beginning of hostilities. It was so voted that thereafter the men who were to reclaim the country from the bandits were to live in the saddle and were kept there all winter on the que vive ever ready, ever alert for any surprises and emergencies.

The leaders of the rustlers were the Stogdens, whose chief assistants were the Kestridge boys and Bert Wikinson.

Dan Howland and Pete Scott, two fighters of note, men who were afraid of neither friend nor foe, fearless and intrepid, ever on the alert and looking for the unexpected, were sent from Trinidad, Colo., to help the cattlemen in their fight with the rustlers. These two went to where Fort Lewis is now located to worm to the good graces of L. Lacey, who was also a cattlemen in Colorado and here.

They played on Lacey and tried to show him how the cattlemen could be wiped out of existence. After finding that Lacey had joined the rustlers, a quarrel ensued and Lacey met his doom.

Howland and Scott then went to Durango to find rendezvous of the bandits. Riding 3 1/2 miles below Durango they ran into Hersey's sheep herd, and inquired of the herder if he knew anything about the rustlers or their whereabouts. He replied that he did, but he'd be damned if he'd tell them, pulling his gun at the same time. That was the herder's fatal mistake, for a shot from Howland and Scott ended his sheep herding.

These two then came down here and reported what had occurred.

Tom Nance, Aaron Barker and others were camped on the La Plata, at what is now known as Barker's arroyo. The bandits stole upon them, shooting Barker dead and wounding Tom in the leg. Nance shot one of the rustlers through the knee, vaulted on his horse and made a dash for Farmington, bullets flying at him at every jump of the horse.

Along in February, 1881, the people of the valley, numbering forty-four, banded together and decided to go to Durango and endeavor to wipe out at once the bandits and rustlers. Bill McCoy and George Lockhart were in charge of the outfit. The company reached Durango about 9 o'clock. As they arrived a large crowd of excited people were gathered. Will McCoy, George Lockhart, Tom Nance, Pete Scott and Dan Howland were detailed to go through the crowd and see if any of the rustlers were there. They discovered none. The excitement was over the breaking in of the jail and the taking herefrom a man named Mormon, who

THE SWEET GIRL GRADUATE.



"I do hope my dress is ready in time."

was charged with murder, and who they hung on the famous tree.

After scouring the entire town and finding none they sought, the entire party went across the river and camped for the night on Dry gulch.

Next morning the company decamped for old Animas City, crossing back on the Durango side and along the lower mesa. Hardly had they arrived there when the entire force of the rustlers opened fire. Fully 500 shots were fired by each side, and the strange part of the story is that only four of the bandits were wounded and not a cattlemen was scratched.

In August the rustlers indulged heavily in snake bite antidote and quarreled among themselves. Bert Wikinson shot the marshal of Silverton and hid out, Ike Stogden taking him prisoner. A reward of \$1,500 was offered for information leading to his arrest. Ike gave him away and received the reward.

In September, Ike Stogden was apprehended by one of the San Juan men, Jim Sullivan, and killed, thus practically ending the war between the bandits and the cattlemen.

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Grand Ball.

There will be a Grand Ball at Green's Hall in Aztec on the evening of July 4. Everybody is invited to attend.

A great many new things are being discovered about fishes these days. One is that they lie with their noses upstream. Another is that they talk. Other fish stories may be expected with the advancing of the season, but the trouble is that most of the later crop will not be new.

General Kuropatkin has evidently revised the old saw about the man "who fights and runs away." His version would read something like this: He who runs away before He fights may live to run some more.

A Connecticut woman has had an onion growing in her ear for forty-three years. If it sounds as loud as it smells, the poor woman should have been deaf long ago.

The report that Boston has a bread famine will not be regarded seriously so long as the codfish and beans hold out.

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