

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR CONVENTION.

The Sixth Annual Convention Opened at Baton V. yesterday.

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TEACHERS AT SOCORRO

Our Special Correspondent Sends in the First Day's Proceedings.

Socorro, N. M., Dec. 29.—The association was opened this morning with Prof. Wood in the chair. After prayer by Prof. Hadley, the business of the association was taken up.

Miss Anderson, of Albuquerque, was chosen treasurer of the association for the coming year. The committee on location and resolutions was then appointed, after which the program of the morning was begun.

Prof. K. A. Folley, of Loswell, first discussed a paper on "Legislation Regarding Finances," after which Prof. Hadley read to the association a letter from Prof. Stover in which he advocated the granting of all public lands of New Mexico for educational purposes.

This was followed by discussion from Rev. J. J. McPherson and Prof. Jenkins and Duff. Following this was a paper on "Legislation Regarding Superintendents and Teachers," prepared by Prof. Long of Deming and discussed by Prof. Hadley, Wright, McPherson, Light and Jordan.

The afternoon session was opened at 1 o'clock. Before taking up the regular work the minutes of last year's association were read by Miss S. L. Mize, the secretary of the association.

In the absence of Supt. Holgin, Prof. Hadley opened the session with a good forefile talk on "Legislation Regarding School Directors and Districts." It was followed by Rev. J. J. McPherson, of Mora, who pleaded for the unimpaired two-thirds rule of our constitution. He proposed that the county superintendents be given the power to select the teachers instead of leaving it in the hands of county school directors.

Mr. Warren followed with a very interesting and instructive talk, in which he advocated separating the school from politics, also a higher standard for passing examinations.

Miss Cameron followed with her paper on "Child Study," one of the most forcible and interesting papers of the association. Her paper was clear and concise, and thoroughly appreciated by all present. It was discussed by Prof. Richards and Cockrell and President Light.

REOPEN THE SAN FELICE. Attorney Weather Comments on a Very Important Subject.

I have scanned with interest the recent articles appearing in your paper, and also in the Democrat, referring to the proposed electric street railway and the "san Felipe." At its last meeting the Commercial club, which it seems has begun to awaken from its lethargy and pay some attention to the pressing needs of our community, instead of the social selfishness of its members, also considered a question of vital importance to the business men of our town. I refer to the opening of the San Felipe hotel.

The delegates have all been written in comfortable quarters speaking well of the hospitality of the good people of Baton.

FOR TWENTY-TWO YEARS. H. B. Hersey, Observer Weather Bureau, Makes His Report.

The following data, covering a period of twenty-two years, have been compiled from the weather bureau records at Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Month—January, for twenty-two years.

Mean of normal temperature, 25.6 degrees.

The warmest month was that of 1920, with an average of 33 degrees.

The coldest month was that of 1925, with an average of 22 degrees.

The highest temperature was 76 degrees, on January 25, 1920.

The lowest temperature was 11 degrees, below zero, on January 21, 1924.

Average date on which first killing frost occurred in autumn, October 15.

Average date on which last killing frost occurred in spring, April 15.

The greatest amount of precipitation recorded in any twenty-four consecutive hours was 1.22 inches on January 30 and 31, 1922.

The greatest amount of snowfall recorded in any twenty-four consecutive hours extending to the winter of 1884-5 only was 7.2 inches on January 14 and 15, 1896.

THE PREVALENT WINDS. The prevailing winds have been from the N. W. E.

The highest velocity of wind was thirty-eight miles, from the north on January 1, 1924.

STATION—Santa Fe, New Mexico. S. E. H. Hersey, Observer Weather Bureau.

Date of issue—December 29, 1926.

Fort Marcy Sanatorium. Under letter of Washington, Dec. 23, Delegate Carlton writes to Dr. Croson, saying that he hopes to be able to get the Fort Marcy sanatorium bill through congress immediately after the holidays.

Notwithstanding the fact that the measure may be delayed somewhat by the Cuban discussion, New Mexico.

Removable Record. The Santa Fe hospitals during the year 1925-26, cases out of which thirty-eight deaths occurred.

Showing Enterprise. New Mexico does not subscribe over twenty matters and waste words in sectional quarrels, as we do in Colorado.

A train load of cement is now arriving for the construction of the great Rincón dam, and teams were last week leaving Albuquerque to begin on the Selden dam. Then there is the great Rio Grande river dam to be started soon. How they manage all these things it would be hard to tell, but they do it. Pueblo Chieftain.

The Fort Selden Item. It was learned to-day from a gentleman who is just in from Fort Selden, that the grade for the spur that is to connect the main line of the Santa Fe with

the dam site, will be finished on Tuesday, when Roadmaster Edgington will commence laying the rails and the work will be pushed forward with the greatest possible haste. Mr. Edgington, of Denver, who represents one of the largest concrete outfits in the west has submitted that part of the work and a force of men will be put on so that it is estimated that in one hundred days the dam work will be completed. A number of outfits are waiting to go to work on the ditches, and it is confidently expected that not later than the 25th of January, 1927, every part of the work will be in full blast. John Miligan, who is doing the grading for the spur is looking for his complete outfit from Globe, Arizona, and has already secured a crew of men and a complete outfit of tools and machinery. He will start his outfit in the middle of the month.

SHOPS AND OFFICES. A tour of them a few interesting items picked up.

The "iron phase" never fails to find a courteous reception among the Atlantic and Pacific men, whether it be in the big able building, among the 4th post office, or over in the shops among the fellows who are already secured a crew of men and a complete outfit of tools and machinery.

THE REMARKABLE RESTORATION OF THE big building from a charred and water-soaked wreck almost to its former state of perfection impresses one with the value of railroad methods and organization. The floors on the south side of the lower hall were very slightly damaged and have needed but little repair. Across the hall more damage was done, and the carpet, sash and windows were found in the middle of a state of ruin and signs awaiting the final touch of repair.

THE PARTIALLY RESTORED Agent Van Sicks' department and on the second floor business has about resumed its normal life. Arthur Walters' store is in a state of repair, and the office is in the hands of the painters and paper-hangers who will have it ready for occupancy in a few days.

VERY SLIGHT DAMAGE was done in the case of passenger seats, and everything there is now ship-shape. Up stairs close to the scene of the flames, Mr. Hall's force to have restored their equilibrium as quickly and completely as those who were away. Charred records, water-soaked papers and shrunken outfit are in evidence, however, to keep the fire reminded that there was a fire.

The entire building will be cleared of every evidence of the fire in a very few days.

THE ONE OF THE most interesting features of the "hotter" that is in store for the boys on today until the end of the week, Master Mechanic English stated that the object of the shut-down is chiefly for repairs.

THERE'S plenty of work in the shops and in the yards, and it is presumed that work will be resumed regularly after this week.

SEVERAL engines are undergoing rebuilding in the machine shop and a long line of freight and cattle cars in the yards in various stages of rebuilding, speak of abundance of work.

Master Mechanic English has just returned from a trip over the line.

BERNED CATTLE BRANDS.

Fifty-five cattle discovered at Lamy with Brands Mutilated.

Complaints of cattle stealing in south Santa Fe county have been so common of late that Deputy Sheriff Cunningham and Deputy Tucker have given particular and diligent attention to the work of detecting and bringing to justice the culprits.

Their labors have been measurably rewarded. Yesterday fifty-five head of cattle with the brands mutilated on the horns were found on the premises of J. J. O'Neil, near Lamy. Neighbors have a bill of sale of the cattle from one Al. Day, and the latest information indicates that he held them honestly.

Of course the fact of the mutilated brands is almost conclusive proof that the cattle were stolen, and Sheriff Cunningham working in harmony with Inspector Richards, is now bending every effort to locate the proper men to take into custody. New Mexican.

Head-Start Transfers. Isomaciano Perez and wife to Lorenzo L. de Perez, quit claim to a tract of land north of Albuquerque, in precinct 13, R. 1. Agnacio Perez to Julianna Ruiz de Lopez, warranty to a tract of land in precinct 12, old Albuquerque, \$200.

Lorenzo Lopez de Sedillo and husband to Alfred Stevens bargain and sale deed to a piece of land north of the town of Albuquerque, \$100.

Lenora Lane and husband to Ella E. Smith, warranty to lots 5, 6, 7, and 8, block 17, town of Gallup, \$500.

IN FOUR CIRCUMSTANCES. About ten days ago a woman 65 years of age, with four young children of her daughter, arrived in a wagon drawn by two horses from Mexico and went into camp here. The old lady stated that the husband of her daughter, whose children she has, died a few months ago in Mexico, and a short time after his death the daughter died, leaving the four orphans under her care. A few days ago the oldest child, a boy about ten years of age, was taken sick and Dr. Haynes, city physician, tended the patient. He was reported considerably better this morning, and the old lady, after hitching her wagon to the wagon and bundling up the children, left the city for the San Luis valley, Colorado, where she claims to have friends who will not allow her and the orphan children to wait for the necessary of life. During the stay here, Marshal Fornoff provided food for the party and feed for the horses.

Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Stamm are entertained by Mrs. J. Warner, of Santa Fe.

Little home that has few other pieces of furniture. The men use them as readily as the women.

It is not unusual for a Mexican meal to comprise five or six kinds of meat, but seldom more than one kind of dessert, and that very simple.

A Mexican laborer will carry 100 pounds of ice on his head rather than use long. He carries a can of oysters on his head, too, rather than be bothered with it in his hands.

It is not the custom in Mexico to do business of anything else, for that matter, but the break-neck speed so often believed necessary in the United States. It is 8 or 9 o'clock before offices and important business houses are open, and the custom of closing stores for an hour and a half or two hours between 12 and 1 o'clock is still very generally observed. By 7 o'clock in the evening the windows and doors are boarded up again, and by the time it is fairly dark there is hardly a sign of the handsome display windows, but in their stead a solid wall of securely locked wooden and iron shutters that cover every bit of glass.

SCIENCE AND INDUSTRY. The Santa Fe railroad has been overhauled and the cars are being repaired.

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RAILROAD ITEMS.

According to the railroad survey it is just 100 miles from El Paso to Tulsa.

Geo. A. Foley, who has been in Santa Fe about a year as chief clerk of the Santa Fe company, has been transferred to Thatcher, Colo.

W. K. Coughlan, who has had charge of the Santa Fe section north from Springer, for the past two years, has been transferred to Maxwell City.

The St. Joseph & Grand Island railroad was sold under foreclosure at Hastings, Neb., for \$2,000,000 to a representative of the first mortgage bondholders.

The new 5,000 mile interlocking tickets will be issued on January 2, 1927, by forty or more eastern lines, are attracting much favorable attention from traveling men.

The all rail east bound shipments of coal freight from Chicago last week were 63,000 tons, against 58,357 tons the previous week and 65,577 tons the corresponding week of the previous year.

C. C. Price, engineer on the Waldo branch, had a set with conductor Langston, the other day, the outcome of which is not yet definitely known, at least so far as the tenure of position is concerned.

A passenger brakeman or two has been suspended at Las Vegas for wearing soiled apparel which was gotten into in the probable condition by the performance of duties recently imposed in the nature of unimproving engines, etc.

Railroad construction in the south for 1926, as compiled by the Manufacturers Record, shows the building of nearly 900 miles of standard gauge road. All of the southern states but one have increased in mileage.

During the year just closing the Santa Fe company has shipped from Springer 550 cars of cattle, amounting to 25,000 head in all, 2,000 head of sheep, and two cars of hogs. This is a large gain over 1925, and the biggest work in any one year for several years.

The statement has been repeatedly made that car wheels would wear longer when run over east and west roads than when run over roads extending north and south. General Manager Schell of the Big Four, when asked if the statement was true, said it was not, that a car wheel would wear as long running over a north and south line as over an east and west line, unless there was some other reason other than the direction in which the road ran why it should not.

The annual statement of construction to be published by the Railway Age this week will show that during 1925 only 1,822 miles of railway lines were built in the United States. This is one mile less than the total reported for 1926, and is the smallest mileage built in any year since 1875. The number of lines on which this track was laid is 193, which is eleven less than the number of new lines added in the previous year. Track was laid in thirty-eight of the forty-nine states and territories. The longest mileage was built in California, 187 miles on eight lines.

GATHERERS SKULLS. A Medical Student Who Risks His Life to Get Them.

Albuquerque, N. M., Dec. 29.—The Albuquerque medical student who risks his life to get them, has been found dead in the mountains near the town of Socorro. The student, who is a member of the medical school at Albuquerque, was found by a party of hunters who were out on a hunt in the mountains near Socorro. The student was found with a bullet wound in the head, and was apparently dead for some time. The hunters were surprised to find the student's body in the mountains, and immediately reported the matter to the authorities. The student's name is not known.

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