

Territorial Topics

Floor Tattered With Molasses.—Mr. ...

A Jnat. Fire at Carlsbad.—Friday night about ten o'clock the bars of H. ...

Horseback to Chicago.—H. H. Oberster and J. H. Johnson left Alamogordo Sunday morning on horseback to ride through via Denver and Omaha City to Chicago.

Alamogordo Base Ball Club.—The lovers of the great national game of base ball in Alamogordo had a meeting the other night, and took necessary preliminaries to organize a club.

Soy Beans for Sheep.—Ed. W. Miller, of Hagerman, was in Carlsbad's business and pleasure, looking over many of the better ranches in the vicinity, says the Argus.

Fire at Roswell.—Wednesday about 4:20 fire broke out in the residence at 106 South Spring street.

Lamp exploded at the residence of G. P. Bode and the resulting flames and fire destroyed the house.

RATON

From the Range.—Attorney Hugo Seaberg returned last week from a business trip to San Francisco.

The school board has the sum of \$150 to go toward the purchase of a piano for the high school.

Harry Brainard, ex-county commissioner, has sold his business at Hiram-bethdown to Macon Gallagher and is now visiting with his family in Raton.

Benjamin W. Fulghum arrived recently from Chicago and intends making his home in Raton, assuming an interest in the Raton Lumber company with W. A. and Edgar Fulghum, his father and brother.

The fifty-foot brick extension to the postoffice building, on which work was begun Tuesday, will greatly facilitate the business of the office, siting the addition of 300 boxes, a private office for the postmaster and other needed improvements.

Wednesday of last week Judge O'Brien, of Caledonia, Minnesota, while engaged in the trial of a case at his home, was stricken with paralysis of the brain and lay unconscious for two days. A letter received by his daughter, Mrs. J. Leahy, just as we go to press, announces that he has greatly improved, and that his mind is entirely clear and his complete recovery is now anticipated.

From the Reporter.

The democratic county convention call will be issued by Chairman M. M. Salazar next week and published. It is presumed the convention will be held some time about the 15th of April.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Fletcher, who have been making their home in Breebe, Ariz., since they were married, last Christmas day, passed through Raton, on route to Oklahoma City, Okla., where they will reside in future.

Proceedings before William C. Wrigley, referee in bankruptcy, were held at his office on the 29th. Among

those present were: Thomas Shaw, a bankrupt; John Morrow, receiver; Joseph C. Bell, representing Simon ...

From the Gazette.

Mrs. P. F. Deany returned from Albuquerque where she has been visiting for several weeks with her daughter, Mrs. George Drury.

Mr. W. Williams returned a few days ago from Marshall, Mo., where he accompanied his daughter, Mrs. Durrell, two weeks ago with the remains of her husband. He finds it far too cold there for his delicate health. His daughter expects to join him in a couple of months.

M. C. Gunn left for Folsom, New Mexico, after a week's stay in Raton on matters connected with the Woodmen lodge. He says the winter has been unusually open and mild in his section and that the stockmen now have only cold rains and sleet to fear. He also states that the little town of Folsom is experiencing prosperous times and a considerable building growth.

The Christian Endeavor society of the Presbyterian church will give a St. Patrick's social, Thursday evening March 17, at the home of Miss Agnes Clark on North Third street. Choice refreshments will be served. Also home made candy for sale, for which the Presbyterian ladies have become famous. The Endeavor society seldom comes before the public, and on this occasion asks a liberal patronage from friends and strangers.

SAN JUAN COUNTY

Farmington.

From the Hustler.—J. A. Wilkin was in from his trading post on the reservation on business.

E. H. Elmer came down from his home at the West Fork of the Red river for a short visit to his son Sheriff Elmer.

The drawing for the town lot was held Tuesday afternoon in front of the postoffice. The winning ticket was No. 14, J. A. ...

Dr. J. D. Kessinger, of Milan, Mo., was here several days looking over the country with a view of locating. He was much pleased with the country, and if he can find a suitable location would like to settle among us.

Judge Fay bound Louis Gillam over in the sum of \$600, to await the action of the district court. Louis had a desire to go into the sheep and butcher business, but this was objected to by our local sheep men and butchers.

Judge Albert Waite died at his home near Cortez, Colo., last Friday, February 26th. Judge White was one of the oldest residents of this country. He only sold his ranch near Jewett last summer and moved to the Montezuma valley. His numerous friends in this county will be pained to hear of his death.

Prof. A. Marrin and Dr. A. D. Burbaker, of Hereford, Texas, arrived in town by private conveyance. They are looking for a location and are well pleased with what they have seen of the sunny San Juan. They are pleasant and accomplished gentlemen, and we hope they will decide to become a part of our citizenship.

John Tenney, of Hammond, was in town on his way to Fruitland, Tennessee is one of the original settlers of the enterprising settlement on the upper San Juan. He informs us that they have made many improvements on the Hammond ditch this spring and winter, and now says the ditch in good shape. The day is not far distant when the settlement will be one of the most prosperous in the country.

M. M. Engelman left for Silverton, Durango and Canon City, Colo. If his health remains good he will continue on to El Paso and other southern points, and will take in the world's fair at St. Louis before his return. If, however, he should get to feeling bad he will return at once to Farmington. Engelman says he is only living here to save doctor's bills and taxes, so so chooses Farmington as his residence.

Astec.

From the Index.

"Kid" Villman sold his barber shop to Ray Current last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Baker were visiting on the San Juan the latter part of last week.

Mrs. George Leeper of the La Plata was visiting Mrs. Hoff, just west of Astec, the first of the week.

Miss Pearl Pendleton, who has been assisting the judge, returned to her home in Durango last Sunday.

The public schools in Astec will open again Monday, and it is to be hoped will continue to the end of the term.

The new school house on the La Plata was dedicated Wednesday night, by having a banquet social in the same, the proceeds going to the school fund.

Mrs. Geo. Smith, of near Flora Vista, who has been visiting friends and relatives in Cripple Creek, Colo., for the past month, returned home.

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The Nacozari, the officers' car from the El Paso & Southwestern, was in Lordsburg Tuesday, with a number of Phillips Dodge officers, who were en route to Morenci.

Conductor J. H. Swallow was operated on for appendicitis at the Santa Fe hospital, Las Vegas. The patient stood the operation well and is getting along satisfactorily.

The Southern Pacific company has built large boxes around the trees recently planted on the south side of the Lordsburg depot. Their object is not to add to the beauty of the landscape but to protect the trees from vagrant animals.

At the rally for two handsome canes of Yuma penitentiary manufacture, held at the Clifton saloon, Lordsburg, Al Howell, a Southern Pacific freight brakeman, won first choice an Arizona ironwood stick, and Jack Barera, Mexican Jack" won second choice.

Work is progressing rapidly on the trestle tables at the Las Vegas shops. The old one was taken off the pit Saturday and a center stone has arrived from La Junta. The cement floor is being laid and the new table painted. This work should see great progress made.

Mr. Tokichi Endo, chief engineer of the Nacozari Railway of Japan, is in this country studying American railroad practice. He left Japan some months ago and has visited the principal European countries. After spending a month in the east he will travel west as far as San Francisco, from where he intends to sail for Japan on May 12th.

The Rock Island railway has found a separate mileage book, in addition to the interchangeable mileage of the Western Passenger association. The new book covers 3,000 miles and is sold for \$75, with no refund. It is on the Rock Island system and covers four thousand miles west of the Missouri river, including the Denver and Rio Grande Colorado systems.

Head prevalence man, Berlin, was down recently from Tepeala and made a test run on one of the big engines from Las Vegas to Albuquerque. These test-runs are causing a good deal of excitement among the friends and it was to get exact information from experience that Burke made the run. His report, has not been made public yet.

The Arizona & New Mexico company's officers car left the other day for Chicago, where it will be taken by a party of the directors of the Arizona Copper company, who are over from Lordsburg, to have a look at the property. The party will go to California over one of the northern routes, and return about the middle of next month, when they will visit Clifton.

President Frank Trumbull and Vice President and General Manager J. M. Herbert have returned to Denver from their trip to Fort Worth, Texas, where the annual meeting of the Fort Worth & Denver City road was held. Their arrival in Denver was waited for by about twenty-five representatives, of the car manufacturing companies of the country who are in Denver to bid on a contract for building 1,000 cars for the Colorado & Southern railroad. The men who are to examine the plans and specifications of the company and submit bids began to arrive in Denver Monday. It is believed that the contract for the cars will be let to the American Car Foundry company of St. Charles, Mo., and the contracts for supplies will be let to the lowest acceptable bidder. There will be 700 box cars and 300 stock cars.

Bertha Kuntz Baker is the inspiring name of a lady from New York, who will furnish an attraction at the Santa Fe reading rooms Saturday evening. "Reading and Interpretation of Great Authors" will be her subject, and will furnish good instruction to the young reader. The lecturer has the reputation of being one of the best Shakespearean students on the American stage.

The interstate commerce commission has authorized favorable reports on his providing for the publication of a railroad map of the United States giving the narrow gauge railroads additional time in which to equip their rolling stock with safety appliances and prohibiting express companies from carrying obscene literature.

A freight wreck occurred at Sandusky north of Fulton station between Fulton and Las Vegas Tuesday evening which delayed trains Nos. 1 and 7 several hours. Seven freight cars were derailed and considerable damage was done but no bodily injury to any one occurred.

The report that the Mexican government inspector of railroads had ordered the National to cease the construction of the Matamoros branch because light rails were being used, is unfounded. More than 600 men are employed in tracklaying and work is progressing rapidly.

J. B. Davis, formerly agent of the Denver & Rio Grande railroad in San Fe, and who several months ago accepted the agency for the same company at Chama, Rio Arriba county, has been transferred to Lumberton in the same county.

The Denver & Rio Grande and the Santa Fe Central Railway companies have completed arrangements for establishing stock yards in Santa Fe. C. P. Jones the sheep dealer at the Capital City, has leased the same.

The work of repairing the construction machinery, used by the contractors in construction work on the eastern Oklahoma division of the Santa Fe is going on rapidly at the shop at Newton, Kansas.

B. Remington has resumed his duties as brakeman in the Denver & Rio Grande after a short vacation spent at Chama.

WILL BE SEBASTIAN

HE IS TO REPRESENT ROCK ISLAND IN WESTERN PASSENGER ASSOCIATION.

The Western Passenger association has readmitted the Rock Island railroad to membership. John Sebastian, the passenger traffic manager of the system, probably will be elected a member of the executive committee.

The action of the association is in accord with the decision reached some time ago when the mileage book controversy was settled to the satisfaction of all the roads concerned. The Rock Island was one of the "most stubborn" to get into line and it was not until three forms of mileage tickets had been decided upon that Mr. Sebastian

consented to renew his affiliation with the association. In addition to making peace with the Rock Island the roads representing the Western Passenger association discussed at some length party rates and rates for the officers of the army and navy. These matters have been under consideration for some time past and the questions discussed have no particular bearing on the railroad situation in general except in so far as they touch the making of rates for conventions and large gatherings in various parts of the country.

A press dispatch from Chicago says that the round trip rates to the St. Louis fair this summer from stations in the territory of the Western Passenger association are to be as follows: Season tickets, from all points, 80 per cent of double the one way standard fare; 60-day tickets, from points from which the one way standard rate to St. Louis is \$2.75 or less, 80 per cent of double the one way standard rate; where the one way rate is more than \$2.75, one and one-third fare; fare and one-fifth excursion, from points from which the standard one way fare is \$4 or more, one and one-fifth fare.

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