

MORE APROPOS BORDERLAND ROUTE

Roswell Club Outlines General Plan and Local Organizations Act Promptly

The El Paso Times of Sunday contained the following dispatch covering the action of the Southwestern National Highway Association in declaring for the "Borderland" coast to coast route. The fact remains that there will still be a big fight on to secure the route from the boosters for the National Old Trails Association, the latter route being from Ft. Dodge, Kansas, to Santa Fe, N. M., thence south to El Paso and on west. The borderland route is the only one that would take in Alamogordo:

"Bell M. Potter, of Clifton, Ariz., who has been interested in seeing a trans-continental highway built, yesterday sent the following telegram from Mobile, Alabama, to the El Paso chamber of commerce:

"Southwestern National Highway association adopts route from Washington City to Richmond, Ashville, Knoxville, Nashville, Memphis, Little Rock, Texarkana, Dallas, Ft. Worth, Roswell, El Paso, Las Cruces, Deming, Silver City, Lordsburg, Duncan, Clifton, Safford, Globe, Roosevelt, Mesa, Tempe, Phoenix, Buckeye, Yuma, Imperial Valley, San Diego. All states join Southern National Highway associations. Congratulations.

"Potter went east some days ago to attend the meeting of the Southern association, but stopped in El Paso en route where he talked of this plan to several good road workers here. The Old Trails Association is a different organization, and has mapped its route from Washington City eastward to Santa Fe, N. M., thence south to El Paso, Las Cruces, Deming, Lordsburg, Douglas, Tucson, Phoenix, Yuma, San Diego, or Los Angeles. A bill is now pending in congress asking an appropriation for the purpose of constructing this proposed highway.

"Both the Southern association and the Old Trails association route their respective highways through El Paso, hence travel from the north and east and from the south east of El Paso, will come through El Paso."

"As stated in our columns last week, the Roswell Club sent a very enthusiastic and a posted delegate to the convention to work for the borderland route. The club has sent the following letter to all organizations along the route west from Roswell:

Roswell, N. M., Jan. 23, 1913. To the Commercial Club, or others interested in the "Borderland Route".

Gentlemen:—The Commercial Club of Roswell wishes all the towns and cities along the Borderland Route from Dodge City, Kansas, to Phoenix, Arizona, to unite in an effort to bring the "Ocean to Ocean" Highway over our route.

You are doubtless aware of the fact that the Automobile Manufacturers of our country have undertaken to aid in the construction of an Ocean to Ocean Highway. They are raising a fund of \$10,000,000, of which \$1,000,000 is already pledged. There is little doubt of the entire amount being raised. The road is to be completed and dedicated by May 1915.

Colorado and Utah are making a strong bid for the Highway, so also is the "Old Trails Route", through Santa Fe.

We enclose herewith copy of a request for the proper authorities to investigate our route. May we ask you to secure prompt action on the same by your city and return to the Secretary of this Club, who will forward all of the requests to Headquarters?

The request may be adopted by the Chamber of Commerce or Commercial Club, or Business Men's League, or Automobile Club, or all of them, and duly signed by the officers of the organization. Or by the Mayor of the town or city. It may be used as the heading of a petition and as many signatures as possible secured. Or you may be able to prepare a better form of statement and request. The main thing is to pull all together for our route. Please notice this movement in your local papers. Hoping for a prompt reply.

Respectfully,
W. P. WIGGINS,
Sec'y, Roswell Com. Club.

Suggestive Resolutions

Gentlemen:—The business men of Alamogordo respectfully request that at the proper time your committee to select the route of the "Ocean to Ocean" Highway, on which the Auto-fund is to be expended, investigate the "Borderland Route" from Dodge City, Kansas, via Amarillo and Plainview, Texas; Roswell and Mesalero, New Mexico and El Paso, Texas, to Phoenix, Arizona.

Believing that our route is particularly fitted to serve as a section of the Highway, we would call your attention to the following:

It is a "Dry Country" route, traversing a plateau region which receives enough moisture, supplemented in places by irrigation from streams or shallow wells to make it

an agricultural region, whose population is increasing at a rapid rate; at the same time there is less interference with the comfort and pleasure of tourists from rain, snow or muddy or dusty roads or by heat or cold than by any other proposed route. During the heavy snows of this month (January 1913) when the Colorado Routes and even the Route by Santa Fe were blocked by snow, the Borderland Route remained open and was in daily use by autos.

2. It is a road of easy grades. By leaving the Old Santa Fe Trail at Dodge City and going south, it avoids crossing the rugged Rockies, passing over their Southern extension through the "White Mountain Region" by the easiest of grade at an elevation of 8000 feet and over an excellent government road. Tourists pronounce this route the easiest and best across the mountains to the Pacific Ocean.

3. It traverses the "Newest South," oldest in point of exploration and settlement by Europeans, yet the newest in that it contains more objects of interest that are absolutely novel to most of the residents of the East than any other section of our country. There are the Indian Pueblos and thousands upon thousands of ruins of cliff-dwellings and prehistoric cities, and irrigation-works a thousand years old.

Side by side with Mexicans and Indians are American towns and cities as progressive as any in the land. The route passes through the White Mountain Region, said to be more exquisitely beautiful than anything in Switzerland or Scotland. At El Paso and elsewhere it touches the border of Old Mexico and affords the opportunity of a sight of that interesting country. At Roswell, New Mexico, an auto highway runs Northwest to Santa Fe; at El Paso another runs North up the Rio Grande Valley to Albuquerque. At Phoenix the trans-continental tourist may easily reach the "Wonderland" of Arizona by the two highways—to Springerville or to Holbrook.

4. If the "Ocean to Ocean" highway came to Dodge City and then over the Borderland, our route would serve as the western end of more East and West highways than any other route. Both the great highways, by Chicago and by St. Louis, would use it for a great part of the year. The Savannah-San Diego Highway, now being put through via Atlanta, Birmingham, Memphis, Little Rock, Dallas and Ft. Worth, following the Texas and Pacific R. R. to Roscoe, and then up to Brownfield, Texas, would use the Borderland from that point to the Pacific. There are more days of sunshine and delightful weather for touring in the latitude and climate of the region traversed by the Borderland than in any latitude farther north, and therefore a highway constructed through our region would serve more people than along any other route. Garages, hotels and all requisites for touring are found at frequent intervals and the route is now in daily use by tourists.

The Retailers' Association and the Alamogordo Town Board took prompt action on the recommendations as to the "Borderland Route" coming by Mesalero and Alamogordo, and the same was forwarded to the proper authorities. The recommendations as published elsewhere in this issue were amended so to emphasize the attractions of this vicinity.

CO. HIGH SCHOOL
SHOULD BE HERE

State School Supt. White Says Alamogordo is the only Eligible Candidate.

Before leaving town Thursday Superintendent of Schools R. S. Tipton received the following communication from the state superintendent's office. Mr. Tipton says that the statement was unsolicited by him, but nevertheless is very explicit:

"We note that you are having an interesting time with reference to your county high school. It is the opinion of this department that if Alamogordo has the only high school with a four year course in Otero county, it will be necessary for the people of the county to designate as the county high school and the other schools would not be eligible until they had developed a good high school course. This would not be true in counties where there were no well established high schools."

The above came as somewhat of a surprise, though it has been known for some time that in most cases Supt. White has deemed county seats as the most logical locations for high schools. In the case of Otero county the Supt. holds that Alamogordo is not only the logical location but is the only place which is eligible for a county high school at the present time, because it has the only high school with an accredited four year course.

The Luttweller pumping outfit for the J. P. Lewis well, arrived last Tuesday and Frank Roussou is now engaged in installing the plant.

OUR ADVANTAGES UNSURPASSED

Pacific Coast has Nothing on us in Soil, Water or Climate Says Homer W. Schofield.

The editor is in receipt of a letter from Homer W. Schofield, formerly manager and largest stockholder in the Alamogordo Telephone company, in which he makes some favorable observations for this locality and makes several suggestions. An excerpt is as follows:

"Land about San Diego, without as good soil and without near the water, and upon which no more profitable crops will grow, (than about Alamogordo) is selling at from fifty dollars per acre up principally up. Then Alamogordo has a better climate than California. San Diego is said to have the best climate on the coast, and the Alamogordo climate certainly beats it. 'I might a little later send some comparative data relative to land and soil conditions out here, and the pumping proposition. I rather expect to remain here over and during the 1915 exposition, and it strikes me that if the people of Alamogordo would make an effort the stream of immigration might be made to run towards them some. I see that the legislature has appropriated \$75,000 for an exhibit here, and I would like very much for the Alamogordo to get into the picture. It has been suggested that part of the exhibit consist of moving pictures of the sights of the state. I think that is a good one and I also think we who are interested should do what we can to get Alamogordo properly mentioned. There will be lots of immigrants come via this port."

Clouderoft News Notes.

(By Scott B. Williams)
Clouderoft, Feb. 20.—The first issue of The Weekly Clouderoft, came out Tuesday morning under date of the 14th. It has been over three years since a paper was published at Clouderoft. Mr. Thomas Daniel, who recently came here from Texline, Texas, is editor and owner. Correspondents from every postoffice in the county will be secured so that the county will be thoroughly covered by the newspaper. Mrs. Daniel arrived from Texline Wednesday and will assist Mr. Daniel with the new publication.

Vaughn Banta of Felix, N. M., and Miss Nadia Riggs, daughter of H. O. Riggs, a well known stockman of this section, were quietly married at Mr. Riggs' ranch near Clouderoft Wednesday the 13th. They went to Roswell on a honeymoon and will be at home soon at Felix, to their many friends.

Williams & York have moved into their new building on Main street. The repair work on the building has not yet been completed but will be some time this month when they will install their fixtures and have an up-to-date real estate and insurance office.

William Burbow, Jr., who lives at Hillsrolls, has returned from a trip to California.

R. F. Balthis, supervisor of the Alamogordo National Forest, has just returned from an inspection trip to various points in the forest.

P. H. Mendelson and family have gone to High Rolls to visit the family of S. Katoaky before going on to Columbus, Ohio, their future home. Mr. Mendelson has conducted a general merchandise business in Clouderoft for some time but recently sold his stock to H. M. Denney, who came here from Alamogordo and bought the stock of the Clouderoft Trading company.

R. D. Hiller has resigned as agent at Clouderoft for the E. P. & S. W. and will go to another point on the main line of the system. C. F. Barrett was transferred from Don Louis, Arizona, to fill Mr. Hiller's place. Mrs. Hiller and baby, Rus-Okla, where they will visit a few weeks before joining Mr. Hiller.

G. M. Davis, sales manager for the Oliver Typewriter company, making his headquarters at El Paso, has been in Clouderoft this week demonstrating the Oliver for his local agents, Messrs. Williams and York.

P. H. Waldie is making extensive repairs on his barn on Little Gloria etta avenue in preparation for the summer season.

W. E. Jergins, P. W. Hickson, C. C. Walker, L. L. Goss and Lewis Green were recent visitors in Clouderoft.

Mr. and Mrs. Beach Leave
Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Beach left the first of the week for Kansas, City, St. Joe and possibly Dallas. Mr. Beach expects to be away from Alamogordo on business matters for about a month.

Alamo Hotel to Open
The Alamogordo hotel, which has been closed for several months will be again open for patronage under the management of Mrs. T. A. Murphy the fore part of next week. The building has been thoroughly renovated, varnished and painted from top to bottom and presents a very neat appearance on the interior.

Mining Man Here

L. S. Beckwith, consulting engineer for the Copper Queen at Bisbee, left this morning to inspect a group of mining claims lying in the San Andreas west of Tularosa. The claims are all held by residents of Alamogordo and Tularosa, and some of them have been listed with the Copper Queen for inspection for more than two years. After returning from this trip Mr. Beckwith will return to Alamogordo and may then go to inspect another group of claims to the southwest of Alamogordo in the same mountain range.

REPORT SOON ON FRIEDMANN CURE

American Government Will Publish Result of Inquiry by Consul

SERUM IS DERIVED FROM COLDBLOODED ANIMALS

German Scientist Claims First Treatment Often Results in Gain—Some Cases Incurable

Translations of Dr. Frederick Friedmann's statements regarding his system of treating tuberculosis furnished to congress through Consul-General Thacker at Berlin have been completed by the state department at Washington and the complete data procured at the request of congress soon will be printed.

Dr. Friedmann's address did not give the secret of his new remedy, which is understood to be a serum derived from coldblooded animals. According to the official reports he will not make this known until he is prepared to furnish it to physicians.

In his description of his search for a tuberculosis serum and the method of applying his new remedy, which he claimed had been tried on more than 1,182 persons, Dr. Friedmann said he discovered an "incurable race of tubercles." They were not then suited to use in man, but he succeeded after long experiment in completely changing their character.

Dangers of the bacillus becoming virulent after being injected into the human body were removed, Dr. Friedmann said, by long cultivation of the germs.

"Finally I repeatedly injected it into myself," he continued, "then into adult tuberculous patients, then into consumptive children, and finally, when the successful therapeutic results continued to be confirmed (which was a long time afterward), into children by way of prophylactic inoculation.

"The preparation proved absolutely harmless even in large doses and however applied," he said. "The treatment consists in intramuscular incorporation occurring once, twice, or three times, seldom oftener, and repeated at long intervals. An infiltrate must form at the place of injection, this infiltrate should be of the size of a walnut to that of a small apple and will gradually disappear in the course of the next few weeks or months. As long as this tissue exists, and during its gradual absorption, the healing will go on.

"Only if, and as long as the injected substance is completely absorbed and remains in the body, do the healing effects appear most striking. As a rule this occurs soon and healing then progresses steadily. We often see, even under the influence of a single injection, bone and joint fistulas of long years standing become clean and close, while scrofuloderms are covered over with young and healthy skin; big, hard glandular tumors diminish considerably in size; tubercular abscesses flatten down and clear; chronic scrofulous eczema heals permanently; and, last but not least, pulmonary consumptives lose all their troubles and physical symptoms of disease."

Dr. Friedmann admitted in his speech that with some patients the "resorption of the substance is not complete," and that it became useless to give a new injection. In many of these cases, he said, he had had failures.

Knights of Pythias Anniversary

The local order Knights of Pythias celebrated the 49th anniversary of the order Wednesday night at Beavers' hall. The Pythian Sisters assisted in the entertaining. A large number comprising Knights, relatives of members, and friends, were present, and a very enjoyable evening was spent. The Alamogordo orchestra furnished the music for the occasion and all who cared to indulged in dancing. To those who did not care to dance tables were provided for Rook games. Choice refreshments were served by the Pythian sisters.

A Good Suggestion

A well known gentleman of Alamogordo called at the office of the News-Advertiser this week and made a suggestion that people who have tin cans and other refuse to haul away should see that it is taken further out than its usual place. He made the statement taken further out than it is some of the vacant lots within the corporate limits were not a very creditable display and if there was an ordinance covering such disposition of refuse it should be enforced. The suggestion is a good one.

SUPT. TIPTON ON HOME READING

Makes Suggestions for Advancement of School Children of Otero County.

Perhaps there is no one thing that does more to disorganize class work and make children dissatisfied with school life, than having work assigned to be done at home that should be done in the school room under the supervision of the teacher.

In the school room there is one teacher and the same conditions surround each and every pupil. Once the children are in their own homes there are as many teachers and as many different conditions surrounding them as there are homes. They have even more teachers than homes for the father teaches one way, the mother another, and big sister another. In many cases there is no teacher at all, and the child must work alone, which usually results in the child's becoming discouraged, giving up in despair and returning to school the next day with no lesson, a wounded pride, a distaste for school, or a feeling of don't care.

The assigning of such work as the child can do alone, such as spelling, history, etc., is recommended by teachers who think that the child should have some home work to do. This is, of course, better than assigning grammar or arithmetic, but it does not overcome this difficulty. After getting home from school some children must go to the field and work till dark and then do their chores, and by the time supper is over they are too tired and sleepy for study. They sit around and nod for a while and are soon off to bed. Again, there are many homes in which there is no opportunity for study. Only one lamp—chimney—less for the entire family. This the mother must have for the kitchen, the remainder of the family must be satisfied with the light of the fire. It was all right for Lincoln, in his day, to do with a spade, a piece of charcoal, and a fire light; but with the advancement of this age it is our duty to provide better things for our children, or not expect them to keep pace with those with better conveniences. Just as well ask one of our legislators to walk from his district to the capitol because Lincoln did. Just as well expect the carpenter with very poor tools to do as much and the same work as the one with plenty of good tools.

I once asked a teacher who is ambitious for a professional certificate what she studied of evenings. "Oh," she replied, "I am so tired when my day's work is through in the school room that I can't study evenings. I read something that is not so heavy and retire early." If the child puts in the time as he should in the school room, he will be just as tired when evening comes as is the teacher. The teacher thinks she does well if she gets up and gets to school by 8:30, while to my certain knowledge there are boys and girls in the country who are up and at work for two hours before the teacher is up. We seem to forget that the mind cannot work when the body is exhausted. We forget the thousands of steps some of these boys and girls have to take outside of school.

But to my mind, the strong point in favor of doing away with home study is to get the children to do general reading. Reading things that will put them in touch with the world. Something that will widen their horizon. There is more education in getting the child in touch with the things of the day, a knowledge of things as they exist now, instilling a love for reading, teaching how to read and what to read, than there is, or ever can be, in teaching the dry facts of the texts. Text book knowledge is well enough in its place, but when we undertake to fill the child's mind with such knowledge to the exclusion of a knowledge of the world as it exists at present, we are laying the foundation for a wasted life. It is useless to argue that the children will get this knowledge outside of school. They will not. The present conditions is sufficient proof. In a great many of the homes I visit the county paper is the sum total of the reading matter of the entire family, and in some cases they do not even have that. What greater educational work can our rural school do than to put plenty of good reading in to the homes and direct the reading of same. Let the reading be done under the direction of the teacher. Of course every one would not take advantage of the opportunity, but the great majority would. This literature, once in a home, will be read by the family, and in this way will the school at the home be brought in closer touch. Another connecting link will have been supplied. School boards and patrons will respond, if the matter is presented to them in an intelligent way. They are hungering for something more worth the while for their boys and girls. They can see the inefficiency of our schools but are at a loss to know how to correct things.

A County High School

(C. D. George in The Alamo.)

Every boy and girl in Otero county are neglecting to prepare twenty trouble with our present course is that it prepares the student for college and a diversity course of study. Thus we are preparing one student who will attend the highest education of learning, while we for business avocations. It is time has been impossible for all to get such an education. With the school education. In the past high school at Alamogordo, the opportunity will be open to any pupil who has passed the eighth grade to enter and prepare himself for life. He will be able, with diligent study, to master a course that will fit him to earn an honest living. The twenty and neglect the one if necessary. The better way will be to establish a county high school and so adjust our course of study that we may care for all and prepare our young boys and girls for life's duties and also for college if they want to attend higher educational institutions of learning.

At present the Alamogordo high school course of study, offers to its students four years of English, three years of History, three years of Mathematics, one of Science, three of Latin, two of Spanish, one of Bookkeeping and one of Commercial Arithmetic.

By the county high school law, the school will be required to offer Agriculture, Domestic Science, Manual Training, with two more courses in Business Science. Another year should be added to each of the following named courses: Mathematics, Science, History and Spanish. Thus offering to each student a course of study of from 24 to 28 units, and give him a choice of many of the branches in making up his 16 units required for graduation. The day has arrived when every boy and girl should at least graduate from a good four year's course of study in an approved high school. Make this course practical, so that when one has graduated it will be a stock of knowledge, that the owner will always be proud of, and will aid them in any occupation.

Many may wonder why the Alamogordo high school has not been giving this practical course in the past. We have splendid reasons:

1st. We are this year furnishing instructions to 29 high school pupils who are non-residents of Alamogordo, from whom we receive no revenue, out of 75 pupils enrolled in our high school.

2nd. The District has been in debt and we could not afford the extra teachers. At the close of the present school year the old debt will be paid and the Board of Education will be in a position to do better things.

Industrial education is making its demands upon the schools and the schools in the future that do not give credit for industrial work done in the home, and make it possible for a closer relationship between the home and the school will be failing to fulfill a long felt need.

It is interesting to notice the way American business and educational conditions are regarded by the Germans. The German investigators who attended the St. Louis fair spoke "warmly of our natural resources, of our mechanical skill and progressive spirit." But the American danger has been greatly exaggerated, and that a steadfast adherence by Germany to the educational system and commercial methods now in practice will leave the Fatherland little to fear in the future competition with American manufactured goods. These critics find us too self-satisfied, for we send our trade agents abroad without preparation. We fail to prepare our young people for business avocations while they are in school.

GEORGE CURRY ON INTERVENTION

Tells President Taft We Can Use a Big Slice of Mexico to Advantage.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 18.—Representative George Curry, of New Mexico, today at the White House, told President Taft that the U. S. must intervene in Mexico some time, and there is no use putting it off any longer.

"American interests in Mexico are too extensive and there are too many citizens of this country there to permit the deplorable conditions of the last two years to go on. I do not see how intervention is to be put off longer," he declared.

"We have got to put enough troops in there to see that no disaster comes to them. Our first step will be to take the city of Mexico and then to take charge of the three northern states, Chihuahua, Sonora and Coahuila.

"I do not think we will ever want to annex all of Mexico, but we will want the three northern states and we could hold them with no large number of men. These three states are dominated by Americans and American money. If we should take them they would be quickly populated by Americans and would become garden spots of the southwest.

"We ought also to have Magdalena bay and Southern California. The balance of the country we would not care for. The Mexicans themselves have found it difficult to handle the three northern states and would probably be glad to get rid of them."

Eighth Grade Examinations

Only two examinations will be held this year, the first on April 11 and 12, the second on May 16 and 17.

In Reading the questions will be based on the following selections from Curry's Literary Readings: Excelsior, Rosabelle, Vision of Sir Launfal, Columbus, The Gray Champion, Enoch Arden.

The rules governing the examination will be practically the same as last year.

The county superintendent will either conduct the examinations or appoint some one to conduct them.

All papers are to be sent to the office of the county superintendent. A fee of fifty cents will be collected from each one taking the examination, for the purpose of covering postage, etc.

Teachers who have pupils who wish to take this examination should notify the county superintendent of same as early as possible.

Pupils will be allowed to write on part of the subjects on the first date named above and on the remainder of the subjects on the second date, but will not be permitted to write twice on the same subject.

R. S. TIPTON,
County Superintendent.

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