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SUNDAY SCHOOL PICNIC HELD IN ALAMEDA PARK

People of Grace Church had an Outing Friday

YOUNGSTERS ROMP AND PLAY WITH THEIR ELDERS

There was a picnic in Alameda Park last Friday given by the Sunday School of Grace M. E. church. Tables were set near the west lake, benches pulled up in place, and a fine dinner served at noon. It was so comfortable and home-like, and the dinner so good, that several are willing to go on the witness stand and declare it was the best ever. There was everything good to eat, from fried chicken to ice-cold lemonade.

After dinner there was a big romp, with some of the more sedate taking a prominent part. There were races and sack races, the latter furnishing no end of amusement for all who were present. Then there were games played, old fashioned and new.

Rev. Ed. LeBreton, A. F. Meninger, Benj. Apel and Charley Berkelbach promised the young members of the Sunday School, in advance, that they would make the picnic one to be remembered. They kept their word to the letter and in the spirit. For that afternoon they laid aside all weight and care, not to mention dignity, official and otherwise, and wore just as young and as happy as the youngsters.

County Commissioners Meet

The board of county commissioners held its regular session as a board of equalization, commencing Monday morning. By holding a session Monday night, the work was concluded by noon Tuesday. The report of the proceedings is so lengthy that it will be impossible for THE NEWS to get it into print this week.

The board decided to ask for bids for three miles of mountain road, commencing at High Rolls and extending through Box Canon, toward Alamogordo.

The board also received a delegation of Alamogordo citizens who asked that the board take some steps to secure an adequate supply of water for the trees of Alamogordo. George Carl offered to furnish water free, from La Luz canon, for a week, to water the trees. The board has taken the matter under advisement.

Miss McRae Wins Prize

Miss Pauline McRae is the winner of the first prize of two hundred dollars in gold in the popularity contest of the El Paso Morning Times. She led the winner of the second prize by a margin of nearly ten thousand votes.

Mrs. Frank W. Beach left Saturday morning for a visit in Kansas City.

Jim Blakely and Wilbur Warnock came in Sunday morning from El Paso on the excursion train, and spent the day here with friends and relatives.

H. P. Story, superintendent of traffic for the Tri-State Telephone and Telegraph Co., was here Saturday, returning from a visit at Cloudercroft.

POST CARD DAY HAILED WITH ENTHUSIASM

Bureau of Immigration Will Render Assistance

ADVERTISING RESULTS WILL BE FAR-REACHING

Albuquerque, N. M., June 3.—"The Call of New Mexico" recently made by Governor Mills, by executive proclamation, and fixing June 22nd as the date on which every loyal New Mexican will send out post cards, pamphlets, and newspapers describing their section of New Mexico to friends throughout the country, has been received with such enthusiasm all over the territory that the success of the movement is now assured. It is going to go with a rush and we have reason to expect that not less than half a million post cards, pamphlets, and newspapers will go out of New Mexico on this one day.

There is no medium in the world by which we can reach half a million people on one day at such light expense. To reach an equal number of people through newspaper and magazine advertising would require thousands of dollars, and even then the direct personal appeal would not be made which is made by the personal postal card or the pamphlet or newspaper addressed in the handwriting of a friend.

The Albuquerque club will give away 10,000 postal cards to the people of Albuquerque for use on this day; thousands of postal cards and special editions of newspapers will be given by the Roswell club; the Carlsbad club has decided to issue a large bunch of cards, and the Deming club will do the same thing. Other commercial clubs are falling in line, but we want every town and every district in New Mexico represented in this movement. We need your help and will appreciate it.

NEW MEXICO BUREAU OF IMMIGRATION.

H. B. HENING, Secretary.

Gov. Curry Negotiating for Sale of Irrigation Bonds

Washington, D. C., June 3.—Former Governor Curry returned from a three weeks' visit to New York. He met former President Roosevelt several times. He also negotiated for the sale of the bonds for the Rinconada Dam and Irrigation project near Tularosa, Otero county. Two engineers are soon to be sent to examine the properties. Curry is working on members of the senate committee of territories for early admission of New Mexico but will start home the middle of next week.

Delegate Andrews' bill that the limitations of the indebtedness of the territories do not apply to the irrigation districts heretofore or hereafter organized in accordance with the territorial laws, was reported favorably from the house committee on territories and referred to the house calendar. Judge A. B. Fall returns here from New York today.—Santa Fe New Mexican.

Mrs. G. L. Woodworth of Newton, Mass., is expected here next week, to spend several weeks with her son, Robert N. Woodworth.

THE FORCES OF CHRIST AND ARMIES OF SIN IN CONFLICT

Striking Comparison of the Temporal With The Spiritual

Continuing From Last Week Rev. LeBreton's Memorial Day Sermon

When the dreams of life are fled,
When its wasted lamps are dead,
When in cold oblivion's shade
Beauty, power, and fame are laid,
Where immortal spirits reign,
There shall we all meet again.

It would be disloyal on my part should I close this service without speaking of another deadly conflict that is going on in our midst. A conflict that is more deadly than war or pestilence. That is the conflict of sin and righteousness. Hell is sending forth its black armies of millions into the world. Heaven is sending forth its white robed angels of purity to battle against them. The bravest men, the bravest women in the world today are those who stand for purity and who take their places in the front ranks of the army of Jesus Christ.

The battle is placed before us. The battle is continually raging in this world. The forces of sin and of righteousness are at work. I fear many are shirking; they are looking upon the conflict instead of engaging in it. They imagine the name is all that is necessary and the conflict for them is laid aside, but if we wear a crown, we must bear the cross.

They tell me in the South the story of Sam Davis, the Confederate scout who suffered as a spy. It was in Nov. 1863, that he was captured, taken to Pulaski, Tenn., and thrown into jail. Then he was taken before General Dodge and was searched. Valuable papers were found upon him. He was told that this was a very serious charge and that he must tell where he got his information. He said, "I know it is serious, but I will take the consequences." He had a chance to escape death, but he would not tell. He said to General Dodge, "You are doing your duty, I will do mine. If I die, I will die like a soldier." When morning came, they gave him fifteen minutes to change his mind. But he said, "If I had a dozen lives, I would give them all rather than betray my trust." And so Sam Davis died. He wore an old overcoat, which he gave to the chaplain and asked to have it sent to his home.

A few years ago in Nashville, Tenn., while the Daughters of the Confederacy were in session, a gentleman took the old overcoat of Sam Davis, and unwrapping it in the presence of the southern women, he said, "Ladies, this is the coat which belonged to Sam Davis. He wore it the last morning of his life." One woman who knew Sam Davis came forward, ran her fingers over the coat and burst into tears. Soon every one was sobbing in memory of a noble life. The coat had to be taken away for the emotion at the sight of it was too great.

This life was a brave one. It takes this kind of metal to be a soldier in the army of God, to stand up for purity and dare to do the right in the midst of a

sinful and perverse nation.

Our leader. Our leader, who is the captain of our salvation, is our inspiration for bravery. His life and death is an example of His bravery. The black army of sin put Him to death, thereby hoping to destroy forever His followers and work. But ere they realized it, His struggling followers were reunited by this infallible leader and from twelve soldiers in that age, the army now numbers millions. The work is being pushed rapidly forward until righteousness shall cover this earth.

The black army of sin has many deserters in it coming from the army of purity. At Schuylerville, N. Y., on the Burgoyne surrender grounds, stands a celebrated monument. It is beautiful to look upon. On one side of it, in a niche, is General Schuyler, on the other side is General Gates, on the third side, in the same kind of a niche, is another distinguished gentleman, but on the fourth side the niche is vacant. History records the fact that this niche would have been filled by Benedict Arnold had he not been a traitor.

How like the story of the first traitor in the Christian army, Judas Iscariot. What would he have been today, had he been true to the cause he represented? Even after he had become a deserter, if he had only gone back and said, "Master, I have been untrue. For thirty pieces of silver I have sold thee, and with these lips I have betrayed thee with a kiss. But Jesus, thou son of David, have mercy on me." I am sure Jesus would have taken him into his arms and imprinted a kiss of complete forgiveness and there would have been written one of the most beautiful stories the inspired book contains. But no penitent voice was heard and poor Judas Iscariot died a cowardly death. With the brave and the true under the leadership of Jesus Christ, there is always victory. Defeat was never known.

After the battle of Missionary Ridge, when the Federal troops had cleared the heights with a dash that was irresistible, General Grant sent to General Wood and said, "Did you order the charge?" Gen. Wood said "No." To Hooker and Sheridan the same inquiry was put and from them the same response was received. The fact was that the men were filled with such enthusiasm that nothing could have stopped them, leaping to the fray, defying danger and death and when the victory was gained they were filled with glad words. This same enthusiasm should characterize one's work against sin. It is this, and this alone, that will bring victory and fill your hearts with wonder and joy.

Weights are to be laid aside. In the Civil War, the soldiers had to carry their canteens, ra-

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MRS. SWAN IS PROSTRATED OVER MR. SWAN'S DEATH

Grim Tragedy in Washington Park; El Paso

BROKEN HEARTED OVER LEAVING ALAMOGORDO

Several weeks ago, F. W. Beach of Alamogordo, through Jack Dawson, presented the city of El Paso with a pair of beautiful white swans. The graceful birds were placed in the lake at Washington Park and were so pleased with their new home that they were proceeding to raise a family. The young bride swan laid half a dozen eggs and was patiently nursing into activity the germ of life in the large white bulbs, when a great sorrow overtook her.

Last Monday morning the body of Mr. Swan was found floating cold and stiff in death upon the surface of the lake. A post-mortem examination by Commissioner Harris and Dr. Trout failed to disclose upon the body any marks of violence and it was decided that the swan must have swallowed the wrong bug or centipede.

The dead body was laid upon the bank of the lake and Mrs. Swan who had been fretting around and showing almost human signs of grief, at once hurried to the side of her dead mate, caressed it with her beak and finally sat down beside her dead and refused to leave. In the night she had probably heard the dying song of her husband and understood what had happened. She refused to return to the eggs she was nursing and her dead mate had to be buried before she could forget her grief long enough to eat something.

The apparent grief of the female appealed so strongly to the sympathies of Alderman Walter S. Clayton that he told Mr. Dawson he would pay Mr. Beach for another male bird if he would send it at once.

Mr. Beach sent another male bird, but refused to accept any pay for it, saying it was a source of gratification to him to feel that he was able to contribute to the pleasure of the people of El Paso.

At first the young widow of the original Mr. Swan was a little shy of her new companion. But he was an ardent, impetuous wooer, and woman-like Mrs. Swan soon learned to forget and she is now giving to her second love the same constant devotion and obedience she gave the first.—El Paso Morning Times.

Big Dance at High Rolls Hotel Saturday Night

Mrs. Bertha B. Neal, proprietor of the High Rolls hotel, announces a big dance to be given in the dining room and lobby of the hotel next Saturday night. The people of all Otero county are cordially invited to attend. Those who have had the pleasure of attending Mrs. Neal's dances will not require any urging.

It will be very convenient to go up on the regular train Saturday afternoon and return on the special excursion train which leaves Cloudercroft at six o'clock Sunday afternoon. By buying a ticket to Cloudercroft, one may make the round trip for \$1.00

CLOUDCROFT SEASON IS ON WITH A RUSH

Has More People Than Ever Before in History

SOUND OF HAMMER AND SAW STILL HEARD

If Cloudercroft fails to land the blue ribbon for the summer of 1911, it will not be on account of the start. Jim Riddle, who has been handling the throttle on the road for fourteen years, says that in all that time he has not seen so many people going into Cloudercroft this early in the season.

The special low rate from El Paso was put into effect last Thursday, and 75 people took advantage of it. Friday there were 23, Saturday 52, Sunday 179, Monday 30, Tuesday 30. These figures do not include the passengers from Alamogordo.

Governor-elect Gonzales, of the state of Chihuahua, Mexico, and party visited Cloudercroft Sunday. They had a special car on the excursion train, and a special train on the Cloudercroft road. They enjoyed a banquet at the Lodge Sunday afternoon and returned Sunday evening to El Paso. Nearly all of the Mexican inhabitants of Alamogordo gathered at the hotel to see the distinguished Mexican citizen. Many Americans also were introduced.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Douglas and H. J. Simmons arrived Monday afternoon in Mr. Douglas' private car "Nacorazi," and went to Cloudercroft to see the wonders of the new resort. Mr. Douglas is managing director of the Phelps-Dodge properties, and Mr. Simmons is general manager of the El Paso and Southwestern Route.

It appears to be the unanimous belief that the new Cloudercroft is a sure winner.

U. S. Recruiting Office Receives Six Applications

Sergeant H. J. Clarkson, in charge of the recruiting office for the United States Army, has received six applications in the short time the office has been open.

Pedro Sanchez, Henry Wilson and Walter Johnson have been rejected on account of not meeting all the requirements. Ernest Burton, Samuel Ruse and Ignacio Duran have been accepted and sent to Denver to be assigned to service.

Center Point Notes

Mrs. George Nelson was a welcome visitor at school Thursday morning.

Leslie Posey was forced to be absent Thursday and Friday because of illness.

Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Nelson left Tuesday morning for a visit to Plains, Tex.

P. W. Hickson of La Luz spent a short time in the mountains last week.

Col. Edgington and sons returned to Alamogordo last Wednesday.

Mr. Russell met with a severe accident at the sawmill Wednesday morning, where the saw caught his glove, and severed three fingers. His hand now seems to be healing nicely.