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## HARRIS HOME BURNED TO THE GROUND

The home of S. E. Harris in the south part of town was burned to the ground about half after ten o'clock last night, only a very little of the household effects being saved.

Harris is working north of Santa Fe, and Mrs. Harris was at home with three of the children, two children being in the country visiting the Plumlee's. Mrs. Harris and Henry, the oldest boy were sitting, talking and playing with the baby, when in some manner the little ones threw the table over, the lamp falling on the fire wood. Mrs. Harris attempted to get the lamp, but broke it, spilling the oil over the wood and the partition wall. Seeing that she could not put the fire out, she ran to the bed and grabbed up the sleeping girl, while Henry took the baby outside. Together they succeeded in carrying out a couple of trunks, a new sewing machine and a few little things. By this time the flames were all over the house and they dared not enter again. Henry Shouse and Joe Watson were the first ones to arrive to aid, but were too late to do much in this line. By the time the alarm was given in town and the people could reach the fire, the house had already fallen in. The loss is about half covered by insurance, except the numerous things in the home which can never be replaced.

## Stork Train Coming West

New York, Oct., 18.—Another "stork train" with half a hundred plump and pretty youngsters on board, will leave New York tomorrow for the wild and woolly west. There they will be placed in good homes principally on farms, and will bring joy and gladness into houses where the merry laughter of childhood has been unknown.

For years New York has exported annually thousands of its surplus human crop, and reports show that most of the orphans have done well and have become a credit to their foster parents.

Sheriff Meyer went to Punta de Agua yesterday taking Post office Inspector Moran, who is looking after matters pertaining to the postoffice business there.

## Sample of the Bursum Method

Clemente Castillo, a native citizen of Socorro county acquired, in a legal manner, a homestead right in Socorro county. There was no power which could deprive him of his right and he knew it. Naturally he wanted to fight for his rights. He prepared to protect them in the courts or to take steps toward that end.

Mr. Castillo, however, did not know what he was up against.

"Castillo," said H. O. Bursum to the "man with small capital," in a lawyer's office at Socorro, "it won't do any good to contest. We are going to be a state now and I am going to get the land all around you so if you keep your ranch it won't do you any good."

Confronted with an expensive appeal to Washington which he knew was beyond his means, Mr. Castillo also faced utter failure because he found that if he made good on his land it would be absolutely useless to him through the oppression of H. O. Bursum. Consequently he bowed to the inevitable and gave up the fight.

Many a man in Socorro county has been in the same fix. Supposing he had equal rights with the next man in the acquisition of a home and a means of livelihood in the county, he has run up against Mr. Bursum, or Mr. Luna, or Francisco Hubbell—always a stone wall.

It is well known that these men are gradually but surely perfecting their plans to get their clutches on a princely domain in central New Mexico at the expense of the people and at the expense of the small farmer—all in a perfectly legal manner, as long as the land commissioner is friendly.

These are the methods which make a delusion and a mockery, for men like Clemente Castillo, out of the flag which the gang fear will be "desecrated" by bearing the name of a man who honors it and who seeks to assure to the people of the new state all the blessings that the flag should bring.—Albuquerque Journal.

Now we are mad, clean through! We were boasting yesterday at having received two of Candidate Hold Out Bursum's circular letters, including the copies of the letter from the Governor and secretary, whereupon one fellow pulled three out of his pocket and another four. Say, Barse, we've been slighted.

Flavio Martinez and Teodoro Sanchez of Manzano were in Estancia yesterday on business.

## UNDER MISRULE OF THE REPUBLICANS

The great state of Texas is a fair sample of how the state lands can be squandered and wasted. Texas, one of the great states in the union, is now practically without public lands of any great degree of value. The big cattle owners got the bulk of them, millions of them were given away for a state capitol that could have been built for a fraction of what the lands are now worth. Texas is now and always has been a Democratic stronghold.—Estancia Herald

No, no, Miss Editress, Texas has not always been democratic. Better get out your history and brush up. Texas has been democratic except one term during the reconstruction period, when a republican occupied the chief executive's seat, and it was during his regime that three million acres of state lands were traded off for a song. That is just the reason we are asking that a democratic governor be elected in New Mexico, so that a republican governor will not trade off New Mexico's lands for songs, as did the republican governor of Texas. Of course you copied this article (without credit), but don't believe everything you see in the gang papers from which this was copied.

## Admits that he did it

Extracts from a report of E. P. Holcombe to the secretary of the interior, dated November, 30 1906, and subsequently published in a public document:

"Report on moneys received by the territory of New Mexico respecting the sale and lease of lands granted to the territory of New Mexico, under the act of June 21, 1898:

"The cash book of the penitentiary in use when I made my examination was a transcribed affair opened with a false credit of \$700, under date of May 26, 1899. The book from which it is alleged it was transcribed Mr. Bursum ADMITS DESTROYING as it was an unsightly thing and of no use or benefit to anyone. The transcribed cash book does not contain entries of all cash received by the superintendent, although it proposes to

"The ledger in use was also a transcribed affair and does not contain all of the open accounts due the penitentiary. I found record of numerous deliveries of brick and lime manufactured by the penitentiary, but could find neither open account nor cash receipt for same.—Albuquerque Journal.

## Governor Fights the Amendment

Several sacks of mail were received at the local postoffice Thursday night, containing nothing but letters sent out by H. O. Bursum, he of the penitentiary record, candidate on the stand-pat ticket for governor. Among the circulars he is sending out, is one over the fac simile signature of Governor Mills and Secretary Jaffa, in which attention is directed to the fact that a majority against the Blue Ballot will not mean the defeat of statehood. This fact is known to all thinking and reading people. Why does Mr. Bursum pay postage on this circular letter of the governor's? Not because it contains this statement, but because it contains a pretended argument by the governor to the effect that the constitution does not need to be amended. That the constitution is all right as it is. The candidate of the landgrabbers is merely trying to pull the wool over the eyes of some of the voters who do not read and think as much as they ought for their own good, by leading them to believe that the governor and secretary, as officials, are working against the Flood Resolution. As men this is certainly within their rights and province, but as territorial officials, they are stooping too low in doing so. A few years ago, the territorial governor was given to understand from Washington that he was supposed to keep out of politics, as an official. Does not the same hold good at this time, or whence has come the change?

## Razing Sheridan's Headquarters

The work of razing the historic old building just west of the county court house known to fame and romance as "Sheridan's Headquarters," is proceeding rapidly and over half of the ancient structure has been torn down and utterly demolished. C. A. Boettger, who is tearing down the venerable mansion, where according to tradition, General Sheridan wooed and won his bride, will erect a handsome new modern building on the site. Quite a number of people are securing souvenirs in the shape of pieces of the old wooden pillars and window sills and numerous photographs have been taken to preserve the relic and counterfeit presentment to posterity. It is with genuine pangs of regret that the people of Albuquerque, especially the old timers see the passing of this relic of the days of romance and of the times when the history of New Mexico was in the making. It has for years been one of the principal points

## GOLDSMITH WILL ERECT BUILDING

H. A. Epler & Son will commence the concrete foundation next week for an adobe building, 25x60 feet, adjoining the Opera House being built by Monte Goodin. The north wall of the Goodin building will be the south wall of the new building, which is to be erected by S. A. Goldsmith, and used by him as a store building. Apparently the masons and carpenters are to be kept busy right along, for before one building is completed, another is arranged for or under way. We are glad of this for several reasons, the first and foremost is that it shows the faith of the home people in Estancia. When the businessmen erect their own buildings, they must have faith in the town. Then it would be too bad for the masons and carpenters to be idle, for they would surely get into mischief.

William Dow, postmaster at Tajique was in the county seat yesterday.

Harvey Jackson came down from Santa Fe last night to visit with his family here.

While most of the politicians and candidates had gone home on Thursday night, there was quite a sprinkling of them to be seen on the streets yesterday. Most of them are asking the same question "What are they going to do about it? but they don't make it plain who is meant by they.

## Delgado for State Auditor

Secretary Summers Burkhart of the democratic state central committee announced yesterday that Frank A. Manzanares, nominated at Santa Fe for the position of state auditor, has withdrawn from the race and Francisco Delgado of Santa Fe has been placed on the ticket in his stead. Mr. Delgado is a well known and popular citizen of Santa Fe and will make a strong candidate.—Albuquerque Journal.

Mr. Republican Voter, if we turn our state government over to the gangsters of our party headed by Mr. Bursum they will make such a record as will put the Republican party down and out for a generation. Better throw out the gang leaders now that we may win in the future. ---Roswell Record.

of interest sought by tourists in New Mexico.—Albuquerque Journal.