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## SYNOPSIS OF TAFT'S MESSAGE

Recommendations to Congress Covers Multitude of Subjects

Mr. Taft refers to the barbarities of President Zelaya of Nicaragua and says it may be necessary to take the situation up in a further message to congress.

Our relations with Japan continue cordial and the United States maintains its open door policy in the far east.

The proposal of issuing bonds to meet the expenses of the Panama canal is approved.

Satisfaction is expressed at the results of cutting down national expenditures.

Regret is expressed at the sugar trust revelations.

The president deprecates a tariff war and expresses satisfaction at the Payne bill.

The high price of living is referred to, but this is not due to the tariff, says the president.

An annual appropriation for the expenses of a tariff board is asked for.

Reorganization of the department of state along more expensive lines is advocated.

The president refers with pride to his action in cutting down expenses in the war department, which action he says will be only temporary.

An extensive naval base is urged at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.

A plan for the reorganization of officers in the army is suggested.

"Appropriate" legislation with reference to injunctions is advocated.

More speed in dispatching justice is favored.

Anti-trust measures will be discussed in a special message.

A higher rate of postage is urged on magazines and periodicals to meet the deficit in the postoffice department.

The president is convinced the people want postal savings banks.

The passage of a ship subsidy bill is very earnestly recommended.

Statehood for New Mexico and Arizona is recommended, but state officers should not be chosen until the constitution has been decided on.

Filing of campaign contributions is recommended.

Special messages will deal with many matters not mentioned in the present message.

Conservation of natural resources is favored.

The president urges that restrictions be placed between state and national lines against parties to the white slave traffic.

In conclusion, the president says we are on the eve of prosperity.—Tribune-Citizen

## B. Y. P. U. Program

Sunday, Dec. 12.

Song. Subject: The Spirit of Strictness in Religion.

Scripture Lesson: Matt. 7:21-28.

Song. Prayer.

Reference.

Why we should be strict in religion—Mrs. P. Richards.

In what spirit should we be strict in religion—Miss Lucile Fielder.

Some ways in which we need in our church to be more strict—Mr. and Mrs. Fred Tuttle.

Minnie Laws, Leader.

S. G. Cartwright of Santa Fe was among our visitors yesterday.

## Brick Veneer Building.

J. W. Brashears has commenced the erection of a brick veneer building on the lots south of the Drug Store, where the old buildings were destroyed by fire. The new structure will be 45x60 feet, comprising two store rooms. It is understood that Mr. Brashears will occupy one of these with a grain and feed store, and Peterson Brothers the other with their Second Hand Store.

## Territorial Lands

The list enumerated below contains the vacant school and institutional lands in Torrance County, December 1st, 1909. The same are subject to lease for grazing and agricultural purposes.

Blank applications or further information may be had in regard to the rental prices, etc., on application to the Territorial Land Office, at Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Robert P. Ervien,

Commissioner of Public Lands.

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7 "	6 "	4, 7, 8, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 23, 30, 31, 32.

Isidoro Perea of Torreon was in Estancia Wednesday, accompanied by his daughter, Concepcion. The young lady was celebrating her birthday in visiting friends here and shopping. They left orders with our merchants which Santa Claus will deliver on Christmas Eve.

N. H. Thorp of Palma, is in town today.

## STATEHOOD BILL IS INTRODUCED

Drawn According to President's Ideas, Its Passage is Hoped For

The first of the past week a bill granting Statehood for New Mexico was introduced in Congress by Chairman Hamilton, the bill embodying the Taft ideas, as recommended in his message to Congress. A number of features which were not in accord with the opinion of the administration and which had been embodied in the Hamilton bill of last Congress were eliminated.

The new bill provides that thirty days after approval, the governor shall order an election for members of a constitutional convention, which shall meet in Santa Fe and draft a constitution. An election must then be held to adopt the constitution. After its adoption, the President is to proclaim an election for state officers. The sum of one hundred thousand dollars is appropriated for the expenses incurred in the creation of the new state. The capital is to remain at Santa Fe until 1915, after which time its location may be decided by vote of the people.

Two members of each house of Congress are provided for, besides a full quota of state officers. The President intends to separate the election on the adoption of a constitution and the election of the state officers, to obviate any political bias in the adoption of the constitution. Whether the bill will ever become law remains to be seen.

## M. W. A. Elect Officers.

Estancia Camp, No. 13727, Modern Woodman of America, held the regular annual election of Officers last Monday night, the same resulting as follows:

Consul, H. L. Baimum; Advisor, T. N. Russell; Banker, Jas. Walker; Clerk, H. E. Whitaker; Escort, Miles Smith; Watchman, W. C. Horr; Sentry, A. F. Hibler; Managers, A. J. Green, J. W. Brashears, Joe Watson.

Installation will occur at the first regular meeting of the camp in January.

## District Court.

District Court in and for the county of Torrance will convene at Estancia next Monday, December 13th. Judge John R. McFie, presiding. As there has been no term of the court for several years, the docket is a heavy one.

## Correspondence.

Estancia, Dec. 5, 1909.

A few friends had the pleasure of hearing our tried and true friend, Bro. R. P. Pope, who organized the Baptist Church at Estancia with five members almost five years ago. He has organized a large number of churches in New Mexico, having labored as pastor and missionary here a little over seventeen years.

Bro. Grant, our called missionary for our new Central Association accompanied Bro. Pope. Bro. Grant is thinking of making his home here in Estancia, and will bring his family here in the near future. We welcome him to our town and wish him God's help in the new field. Both gentlemen were on their way home from the convention at Las Vegas and report a good convention.

Mrs. Nancy King.

## Crawford-Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Crawford desire the honor of your presence at the marriage of their sister, Lillah Crawford to Walter Martin, Wednesday evening, December 26, 1909, at 3 o'clock, Westminster Presbyterian Church, Houston, Texas.

Above is a copy of announcements received here this week by friends of the interested parties. Mr. Martin has been one of our successful farmers, residing southwest of Estancia, who has as fine a farm as there is in the valley. The News offers congratulations and best wishes in advance.

## New Mexico Products Are Splendid Advertising at Chicago.

New Mexico is receiving a measure of good advertising and attracting a degree of public attention at the Chicago exposition which cannot fail to be of much value to the territory. The following sample paragraph is from the Chicago Tribune:

The most unusual things in the show may be found in profusion at the exhibit from New Mexico. Here are ears of corn grown from seed four hundred years old. The grain was found in the ruins of a Mexican town across the San Juan river from Aztec, N. M. The corn is black and white. One man exhibits twelve varieties of corn grown on the same farm and another has an ear of corn with four varieties of grains. A pumpkin grown without irrigation in the Estancia valley weighs 105 pounds. From the same section of the country come wild Irish potatoes which may have been planted there years ago. They vary in size from the end of a man's thumb to a small hen's egg. Photographs show twenty-four irrigation projects now under way in New Mexico affecting land sections in extent from 3,000 to 1,900 acres.—Albuquerque Journal.

## Valley View.

B. F. Moore made a business trip to Estancia Tuesday.

Elmo Lucas went to the "best town on the map" Tuesday.

L. S. and Wm. Wheeler had business in the Queen City Wednesday.

Wm. Bryant butchered several fine porkers Tuesday.

H. Smith transacted business in Estancia Saturday.

J. H. Underwood was in Estancia Saturday.

S. P. McCreary and T. Underwood returned Monday from the English Sawmill, saying too much snow in the mountains for them.

## Open for Filing

Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, Santa Fe, N. M., Nov. 30, '09. Notice is hereby given that plats of townships

5 North Range 10 East  
5 " " 11 "  
6 " " 11 "  
10 " " 7 "

are filed in this office and these townships will be open to entry on and after the 18th day of January, 1910.

Manuel R. Otero, Register.

Arrangements are being perfected for a Christmas Tree and Entertainment at the Baptist Church. The exact date has not been decided upon as yet.

## ACQUITTED OF MURDER CHARGE

Jury Brings in Verdict after Deliberation of Fifteen Minutes

It took the jury just fifteen minutes Saturday evening to decide that John L. Lasater acted in self defense when he stabbed Nicolas Sanchez with a knife at Tome, Valencia county, September 8, 1908. The injuries Sanchez received resulted in his death a few hours after he and Lasater fought and Lasater was tried for murder in the second district court here on a change of venue from Valencia county.

The verdict was received at a night session of court, testimony for the prosecution having been finished during the evening. Lasater went to the witness stand to testify in his own behalf and his wife, son and small daughter testified in support of his contention that his life and their lives were in danger at the time Sanchez was stabbed.

The testimony showed that Lasater and his family were attending a fiesta at Tome and that Lasater quarreled with Luciano Aragon over payment for water taken from an irrigation ditch. They fought and Lasater was arrested, but released a few minutes later. A crowd of people, evidently friends of Aragon, surrounded the Lasater family and threats of violence were made. Lasater testified that Nicholas Sanchez struck him from behind, knocking him down twice and then attempting to assault him with a club.

He drew his knife and stabbed Sanchez, who died some hours later, and officers intervened and arrested Lasater.

The case attracted considerable attention and a number of witnesses came from Valencia county to testify. Attorney General F. W. Clancy conducted the prosecution and Lasater was defended by Attorneys E. W. Dobson and Nellie C. Brewer.—Tribune-Citizen.

Agent Kennedy has asked us to request anyone having good samples of home grown products to bring them in, and he will forward a collection to Santa Fe, which will be placed in the window of the United States Bank & Trust Company building, where all visitors to the Ancient City may see just what is being done here in the Famous Estancia Valley. No doubt the exhibit will also be an eye-opener to a great many people of Santa Fe themselves.

The Hughes Mercantile Company has received a car load of the McIntosh Flour. This is the first to arrive here and should be tried by everybody. Here is a good chance to patronize home industry, and keep the money right at home within the Valley, instead of sending it to Kansas, Colorado, Nebraska or some other foreign market. Ask for McIntosh Flour and be sure you get it.

Eev. B. F. Summers will fill his regular appointments at the M. E. Church next Sunday, both morning and evening. Everybody is invited and will be made welcome, especially any strangers who may be in the city.

## Card of Thanks.

The Board of Directors and the patrons of the Antelope school desire through the columns of the News to express their gratification over the receipt of a neat sum of money, recently received from Miss Maggie Hayes, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, which will be used to lengthen the school term. This is one of the newer and smaller school districts of the county, and as yet the taxes are insufficient to warrant the school being held as long a term as it should be, and the gift is the more appreciated on this account.

## Camp No. 1, Santa Fe--Albuquerque Highway.

J. B. Woods has rheumatism quite bad.

Quite a snow fell at Camp Sunday night.

Mr. Neill, the engineer left for Santa Fe today.

Camp No. 1 has twenty-five farmers from the valley at work.

Mr. Johnson, Jr., brought his family up last week to cook for him.

Mr. Kelly, the foreman, is kept quite busy with the work, seeing that all is done right.

Mr. Grammer of this camp, left on Saturday for Stanley, he claims on business. Perhaps it was—urgent!

Mr. Piffins fell from the railroad bridge to the ground, a distance of twenty-feet. It is said his attention was rivited on a passing squaw.

Willie Scott accidentally shot himself in the leg last Friday. His father took him to Santa Fe for medical treatment. The family resides north of Estancia.

A story is told on Mr. Kelley to the effect that he had a very narrow escape last Sunday. He with a few more went to the Indian Dance, and having light auburn hair, his scalp was in demand. It is claimed that he scaled a twenty-foot wall to make his escape. He says he was not scared.

As there are so many worthy applicants for work, the Territorial Good Roads Commission has made it a rule to employ only one team from a family on The Santa Fe-Albuquerque Scenic Highway. The work south of Thornton will be begun this week. From Thornton to La Bajada hill the work has been completed. There has been some kicking on the works, but the writer cannot see but that all are treated alike.

English Mill Camp No. 1.

S. F. Roberts was visiting home folks in Estancia Sunday.

Billie Bollinghouse had business at the county seat Saturday.

L. S. Wheeler moved his family back to the homestead Monday.

Another nice snow Monday morning, making altogether something over a foot and putting a good season in the ground.

Lee Roberts is visiting at home this week in the "best town in the valley."

Tolley Underwood and S. P. McCrary left for home this week in the east side of the valley.

The cut is around 20,000 feet per day.

John McGillivray of Lucia was a county seat visitor yesterday.