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## H. O. BURSUM, REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE FOR GOVERNOR SPOKE HERE

H. O. Bursum, Messrs. Wagner, and Lindsay were here last Thursday night and spoke before a fair sized audience at the Opera House that night while on their trip through the eastern part of New Mexico.

Asst. District Atty. Phillips, now the Republican candidate for district attorney spoke and bragged on his record as assistant in this district. Said he had taken a stand on every question and will endeavor to perform the duties of that office to the best of his ability, if elected. He said President Wilson promised to cut down the high cost of living and he hadn't done it, therefore he was not truthful and he should be repudiated. He did not believe the war in Europe was the cause of the present high prices. Nothing could cause them but a democratic president. He was mad because Mr. Wilson was running for the second term after saying he was in favor of making the president's office but one term and that for six years instead of four. He thinks this honorary office should be passed around since President Wilson was supposed not to run for the second term.

Prof. Wagner, of Santa Fe, followed with a pleasing address. He is the Republican candidate for State Superintendent of schools. He claims, as a number of others claim, that that office should be non-partisan, that his position is not partisan. His speech, unlike Mr. Phillips, dealt with the prosperity of the country, especially with New Mexico at this time. He never mentioned the hard times, high cost of living and the panics that were found to come if Wilson were re-elected. Prof. Wagner said he was especially interested in the boys and girls, but of course he likes the fathers who may choose to vote for him. He visited the Tucumcari schools Thursday and thinks we should feel proud of them. He is not in favor of any member of the tax commission or any other commission saying how many and how to build our public school buildings and any town or community should be allowed to build all the schools they desire and not hampered by anyone, that if elected he would stand on guard of the finances as far as the state is concerned, and each district could expect impartial treatment. Of course Prof. Wagner is a republican, and he was speaking to an audience largely composed of democrats, so it did not give him a fair chance to fully extend himself.

Judge Lindsay, candidate for lieutenant governor on the Republican ticket, was next in line and of course it was up to him to get up and speak. He was well acquainted with the late W. F. Buchanan, former president of the International Bank of Commerce, and from his personal acquaintance with that former citizen of Portales, later of Tucumcari, he always watched with great interest the progress of the town. Mr. Buchanan played such a great part in building. He did not say whether he was ever interested in the banking business with Mr. Buchanan.

Mr. Lindsay said he did not believe in Union Labor because it took away the rights of employers—corporations and men with money—to say what they could afford to pay their employees. Therefore, he thought the Adamson bill was unjust. He said the U. S. did wrong by landing soldiers at Vera Cruz and afterwards did wrong by removing them before peace was wholly restored. He claimed Uncle Sam is now at war in Mexico and is incurring a big expense arming and further preparing for war, but he did not say it would cost about the same to keep the soldiers in the Eastern States, where they would not be obtaining any new experience and training, as well as protecting the citizens along the border from any re-occurrence of another Columbus raid.

He said the nominees on the State Republican ticket were perfect, that those who chose them took angles for example and picked the best men in the state. He said the Democrats realized this fact and chose their nominees accordingly. He is especially fond of Mr. Hubbell and thinks Mr. Hughes will need him at Washington to help run the governmental affairs, as he is a successful sheep raiser and business man. He claimed Hubbell could and would do no harm as he would champion anything Mr. Hughes would desire.

He criticized Mr. Walton for not having any legislation to his credit at Santa Fe, for not being able to put any real live measures through over the Republican majority. Mr. Walton admitted this fact when he was in Tucumcari, and every other democrat who was a member of the last legislature had the same experience.

Mr. Lindsay closed by saying that if the people of New Mexico chose him as lieutenant governor he would do no harm.

Mr. Bursum was then introduced, and began his speech by saying that he felt sorry for the ladies that he

could not call them fellow citizens. He does not think they are citizens because they are not allowed to vote in New Mexico. He said the Republicans were going to give them the right of suffrage. It took a Democratic administration four years to show the Republicans they were real citizens and should be allowed the right to vote. He paid a high tribute to women by saying that they were always sober, but that the same could not be said of all the men.

Mr. Bursum, like most politicians, simply fell in love with "the beautiful city of Tucumcari and the county of Quay." He did not brag very much on our "elegant" roads, but most of his speech was in reference to the wonderful roads we could have providing we selected the Republicans to handle the state road money. He told of the good roads in Colorado, Kansas, Texas and California. He said New Mexico possessed more natural resources than either of these states, one of which was the abundant sunshine, which puts more sweetness in the sugar beets, more nutrition in the grass, etc. The scenery of New Mexico is unexcelled, and is more beautiful than that of Switzerland or any other country. He said the only thing necessary now was to build roads to this scenery and it will bring tourists by the thousands who are composed of the best class. He believes in improving every state highway. (Of course it must be a real state highway, not a road to the wheat belt or farming community, just one for auto tourists). He is in favor of bonding the state and spending a million dollars a year on roads. Of course it will take a few thousand dollars to keep up these STATE roads.

He proposes to pass a bill if possible whereby the farmer may obtain cheap money on long time, something like the Rural Credits Bill already passed by congress just before adjournment.

Mr. Bursum said Eastern capital is suspicious of irrigation projects, that the promoters and engineers charge too much to allow the investor to consider the proposition worth while.

He is in favor of establishing an agricultural college in every farming district, but did not say where all this money could be obtained to pay for the erection and maintenance.

The meeting closed after a long and tiresome session. Mr. Bursum may be a political boss in his home county, but he is not much of a public speaker. On another page the Democratic State committee publishes a three-column article dealing with road building in Mr. Bursum's home county, and his record as a tax payer. If all the citizens of New Mexico paid taxes like Mr. Bursum there would be less road money than is now accessible. Read these articles before November 7.

### PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Services may be expected at the Presbyterian church as usual next Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

The subject of the morning sermon will be "A National Test of Brotherhood," the President's Proclamation calling for relief of the unparalleted suffering in Armenia and Syria.

At 7:30 p. m. there will be an illustrated stereopticon Temperance lecture from slides prepared by the Presbyterian Temperance Board.

Sunday school at 10 a. m. C. E. Society at 7 p. m.

The illustrated lecture in the evening is free, and a cordial invitation is extended to all the services of the church.

### NEW M. E. PASTOR HERE

Rev. E. D. Lewis is the new pastor of the Center Street Methodist church, and arrived this week to take up his duties. Under the Methodist plan, a preacher never knows where he will serve the next year. He attends a conference in his district each year, and there receives his appointment from the Bishop for the next year. Rev. Lewis is the product for Tucumcari received from the Conference held at Clovis last week. He comes from Carrizozo, where he served a pastorate, and information received from that point is to the effect that he accomplished much good for that city, and the citizens of Carrizozo bade him good-bye with great regret. He will bring with him a capable wife and little daughter, and Tucumcari Methodists consider themselves fortunate in securing their services for the ensuing year.

Services will be held next Sunday as follows:

Sunday school 9:45; Preaching 11; Epworth League 6:45 p. m.; and again at 7:45, preaching. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:00 o'clock.

### SUNDAY SERVICES

The following services will be held at the First Baptist church next Sunday, Oct. 22:

Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Sermon, "Remarkable Robbery" at 11:30 a. m.

Special Music—Duet, "Come Holy Spirit" by Mesdames McGuff and Pack Anthem—"Hear us Father" Harris Sermon at 7:30; subject "Almost Persuaded."

Solo, "The Lord is My Light," Mrs. McGriff.

Anthem—"Praise Ye the Lord," Special music for Saturday 7:30 p. m., Solo by Miss Gardner.

## SUPREME COURT DECIDES IN FAVOR OF JUDGE LEIB

The Towndrow murder trial is not drawing much of a crowd as it is long and not many citizens know anything about it. To hear the State's witnesses one would think it was one of the foulest crimes ever committed by a human being. Then to hear the other side it puts us to guessing which is right. Of course right will win, or it should. If he is guilty, there is no penalty to harsh for him to suffer. If he is innocent, he has been seriously wronged. We leave this matter to the jury, which has been kept together for more than a week and from all appearances they will be together for several more. It is a good bunch of citizens from all parts of the county, and they will mete out justice as far as they can, when the time comes.

The State finished its part of the testimony Wednesday. A. J. Arrington, undertaker, recognized the stove-sucker with which it was supposed Mrs. Towndrow was killed. He also recognized the rugs which were burned. He said he had known Mr. and Mrs. Towndrow for several years, that they had been married about 4 1/2 years. She was about 50 years old and would weigh about 100 pounds. When he arrived the furniture of room was disarranged and the body was lying near the door of the dining room. Her body was badly burned, the clothes nearly all burned off the trunk. The floor and rugs were burned. She was lying with her head in vomit, and the vomit was scorched around the edge. Mr. Arrington was one of the best witnesses for the state and gave a vivid description of the house and lifeless form of the victim of some one's wrath.

The case was started last week, but an account of a writ of prohibition it was deferred until counsel for State and Defense went to Santa Fe and secured a hearing from the supreme court. The following telegram will fully explain the outcome of that trip:

Santa Fe, Oct. 16.—Judge Thomas D. Leib will continue to hear the case of the State of New Mexico vs. John H. Towndrow, of Raton, in district court in Tucumcari.

This is the decision of the state supreme court which late Saturday night denied the writ of prohibition to restrain Judge Leib from continuing the case in which he had already sat for two days when the petition for the writ was filed. The supreme court declined to go into the jurisdiction issues involved until the case comes up on appeal, in case an appeal is taken. The presence of 50 witnesses in Tucumcari and the selection of the jury ready to sit in the case, were taken into consideration by the court.

It will be remembered that Towndrow, the defendant, had obtained a change of venue from Raton to Tucumcari and Judge Leahy had been instructed to try the case at the last term, but on motion of the attorney for the state, a continuance was granted. When court opened last Monday at Tucumcari, Judge Leib called the Towndrow case, and proceeded to try it until the defense applied for a writ of prohibition, based on the charge of prejudice and the order to Judge Leahy.

The writ of prohibition to restrain Judge Thomas D. Leib from continuing the hearing of the case of the State vs. Towndrow, charged with homicide, at the present term of court in Tucumcari, was argued Saturday afternoon and night before the State Supreme court here. State Senator J. H. Crampton and Attorney O. L. Phillips, presented Judge Leib, and Judge J. Northcutt, of Trinidad, Attorney Jno. Morrow of Raton, and Attorneys Reed, Holloman and Frank J. Lavan, of the Raton & Catron law firm, appeared for the commonwealth.

### "THE WORK THAT WINS"

#### TWO POLES OF SALVATION

are the morning and evening subjects respectively at the Christian church next Lord's Day. Come before 9:45 in the morning; and 7:30 in the evening. Especially do we urge those who have no church home in this community, to come with us. You cannot deny that the Tucumcari vineyard needs laborers. Why stand ye here idle? Are you professedly a Christian for the praise of men or the service of the Lord? You can do His work as well in Tucumcari as back at the old home. Will you? "Work out your own salvation with fear and trembling." Let us labor together.

The great auto race in the Bible school is becoming quite interesting. Men not connected with the school have offered a substantial prize to each side. Last week it was the Buick turn to gain and a good mileage was recorded. By a burst of speed either car can reach Tucumcari by next Sunday. Present mileage Buick 1506; Ford 1191. Make this week count. Come early.

Norris J. Reasoner, Minister.

## GOVERNOR CRUCE OF OKLAHOMA SPEAKS IN WILSON'S BEHALF

Gov. Cruce of Oklahoma, was here Saturday and spoke to a large and attentive audience at the Court House that night. He was one of the best, if not the best, political speakers that ever stepped a platform in Tucumcari and he brought a real message to all who heard him.

He did not deal with the local political situation but recommended that the Democrats organize fully to get the whole vote out.

Mr. Cruce believes that all good men are not members of the democratic party, neither are they members of either of the other parties, but he thinks a majority of them believe in President Wilson and his policies.

Speaking in partisan prejudice keeps the people in power and keeps people from coming to their own. Every man a politician is equal to any other man in the country providing he uses his natural intelligence rightly. Mr. Cruce said that this election business was the same as any other business deal in which there were stockholders, and that every voter in the nation was a stockholder. These stockholders will meet on November 7 and decide who shall have charge of the governmental affairs. Mr. Cruce declares it is a matter less than treason to stay away from the polls on election day. That you cannot be a good citizen unless you vote for your choice.

He said the issue in this campaign is neither Republican or Democratic, but is a contest between true Americans and those who are not true to the principles championed by the citizens of America. Every anti-American organization in U. S. is for Mr. Hughes and Mr. Cruce, and those who ally in American First are supporting President Wilson.

Speaking of the Progressives Mr. Cruce said "there are two kind of Progressives, one who followed the man (Woodrow) and the one who is a firm believer in a principle."

No man has ever championed and followed a principle as many progressive men did in 1912 and Wilson, and those Progressives who believe in progress and the principles advocated by Teddy Roosevelt in 1912, will be found supporting Wilson this year, because they know he is a progressive and they know Hughes is not.

Mr. Cruce is heartily in favor of the currency question, as he was president of a national bank for more than ten years. He went through the panic of 1907, during a Republican administration, which was caused by one or two failures in New York. During that time the United States was so poor that the farmers had to mortgage their harvest and everything else they had to get a good condition, so it was hard to get to pull off a panic and stabilize the wealth in New York City. He said such a panic could not occur now since the Currency bill was passed. The financial reins have been removed from the hands of those few individuals and are now distributed in twelve central banks over the U. S., where the smaller banks of this and other states can borrow money. The money of New Mexico can secure a loan from either federal bank, the one in Dallas, Texas, one at Denver or the one in San Francisco. Now if you want such a law as this repeated and at the same time the government back on the hands of Wall Street, vote against Woodrow Wilson. If you are of the opinion that the new law is right and just, vote for Wilson, because Mr. Hughes says not a good law has been passed during the past administration, and if he believes that such a law is nothing to do but repeal the emergency law.

In the matter of the Income Tax, Mr. Cruce says Hughes is against it because it is not just, because it extracts thousands of dollars from those who are capitalists who are paying the taxes on the Republican party. It asks the men who are financially able to bear the brunt of the governmental expenses and pay partly for the maintenance they receive.

The Child Labor law, a contest between man and money, is not endorsed by Hughes as Republican leaders are more to making money than to protection of children who have been used by the rich men to mass great fortunes. Mr. Cruce says that President Wilson is a firm believer in taking care of the children.

Mr. Cruce, in referring to the tariff question said it was a political football and had no business in politics, but should be handled like the Democrats are now handling it—by a committee of non-partisans, who will study the question and see whether our manufacturers need to be protected. If it is necessary, then let it be so. If not, then let them adjust it satisfactorily.

Mr. Cruce said no laboring man had ever been paid more than he deserves. If Mr. Hughes thinks a fireman is paid too much for his work, he should get out and shovel coal for just two hours and "I'll warrant he will change

his mind." He said President Wilson demanded of congress that the strike should not occur and congress responded by passing the Adamson bill in its entirety. It saved life and limb. It saved death, want and starvation. It saved a situation no one could surmise. If President Wilson had not passed any other measure, and had done nothing else save pass the Adamson bill, he should be re-elected president of the United States.

In closing, Gov. Cruce said God Almighty had always given the American people a leader who was able to cope with critical periods like the one we are now experiencing. In 1776, he gave us Washington; in 1864 he gave us Abraham Lincoln; and now in 1916 he has given us Woodrow Wilson, who puts Americanism above partyism and will keep peace with honor.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL INSTITUTE

The First Baptist church of Tucumcari is happy to announce the coming of Dr. Prince E. Burroughs, educational secretary of the Sunday school Board of the Southern Baptist Convention for an Institute of eight days in duration, Nov. 5 to 12, which is to be for the benefit of Sunday school teachers and officers and prospective teachers and officers.

Tucumcari will furnish some thirty odd teachers and officers for the Institute and it is expected that churches in all the adjoining country will see that teachers, officers, prospective teachers, pastors, and in fact great profit will come to any church member who will attend the Institute.

During the eight days, Dr. Burroughs' lectures will cover the entire Bible, two lectures per day with stereopticon slides each night, illustrating parts covered each day.

Pastor A. L. Maddox, of Tucumcari, will lecture each day on the "Pupil," and these lectures will be calculated to give the teachers to better understand the mind of the Pupil and what the mind is calculated to grasp and hold at the various ages from youth to old age.

C. Ross Payne, Sunday school field secretary, will lecture each day on the Sunday school management and teaching.

Dr. E. B. Atwood, State Mission Secretary, will be present two days and will lecture (twice per day on the vital themes.

There will be other lectures about which announcements will be made later.

This is purportedly to be a real school with the new Normal Manual, a book published on Sunday school work by the Sunday School Board as a text. At the close of the Institute examinations will be given those taking the course and upon creditable grades Normal Diplomas will be so awarded. This is a forward step in church life, and many of the churches and Sunday Schools have indicated their purpose to profit by this Institute.

The Tucumcari church proposes to entertain free those coming to take this course and there will be no other expenses except minor expenses, for a book, pencil tablet, etc.

### KNECHTLY-HOLLEY

At the country home of Mr. and Mrs. James Richard Wasson, a mile and a half west of Hudson, occurred the marriage of Miss Maude Ethel Holley to Mr. George W. Knechtly, Wednesday, Oct. 11, at eight o'clock p. m. The bridal party entered the drawing room from the west living-room, taking their station before a magnificent American flag, draped at the east entrance. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Edmund Thompson, who used effectively the ring service of the Baptist church. The bride was becomingly gowned in silk moire done in one of the charming new shades of brown, with white silk and lace trimmings. The groom wore the conventional black.

At the conclusion congratulations, an elaborate three-course wedding dinner was served. The long table was stretched the full length of the dining room, all the guests being seated at once. Mr. Knechtly had his house in readiness for his bride, and while it was conceded that the event was imminent, it was not generally known when the wedding ceremony would take place. The announcement to the public after the nuptials had been performed came as a distinct surprise.

Mr. and Mrs. Knechtly are at home to their friends at their farm two miles east of Hudson. Without exception, they have the good wishes of every resident of that community.

### RESOLUTIONS OF SYMPATHY

Whereas, the Great and Supreme Ruler of the universe has, in His infinite wisdom, seen fit to bereave our brother, Mr. Barnes, of his beloved wife and companion, therefore;

Resolved, that we express our deep sympathy with him, and express our hope that even so great a loss may be overruled for good by Him, who doeth all things well;

Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the records of Bethel Chapter No. 15 order of the Eastern Star, and a copy forwarded to the bereaved Brother.

Irene L. Shields, Harriet N. Donohoo.

## SIX YEAR OLD SON OF L. R. JACOBS KILLED -FELL FROM WINDMILL

Lyle, Jr., the six-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Jacobs, fell from a water pipe on the windmill at the home of J. T. Morton, Thursday afternoon, striking the faucet near the ground. He recovered sufficiently to go to the house, but died shortly after.

The little boy, with others, was playing out in the yard while the mother was attending a meeting of the ladies aid of the Christian church which was meeting at the home of Mrs. Morton. The little fellow had climbed the pipe but lost his hold and fell, striking the pit of his stomach on the faucet which protruded out from the pipe. He was not seemingly fatally injured and those who saw him thought his breath was knocked from him and did not take it as serious as they did a few minutes later when he suffered great pain. It is said he went to the house and told his mother he was hurt and felt bad, that he wanted a drink. He was taken to the bath room where he began to vomit. Some think he was struck in the left side under the heart and some of the blood vessels were broken else death would not have been so sudden.

The family have the sympathy of the entire community for the separation made necessary by this accident. There is nothing quite so sad for a parent as a catastrophe of this nature. Medical aid was summoned, but life was gone within thirty minutes after the fall. At the time of going to press we have not learned the full particulars or anything concerning the funeral.

### ANOTHER GOOD SPEAKER

Clay Tallman, commissioner of the General Land Office at Washington, D. C., will be here next Thursday night and address the voters of Quay county on the political issues of the day. Mr. Tallman is one of those speakers who has a message and those who can attend will be rewarded like those who heard Gov. Cruce of Oklahoma. It is not often we get to hear such men as Cruce and Tallman, so don't forget the date, next Thursday night.

The committee is announcing that Mr. Tallman will speak at the Court House but if possible they will secure the opera house as it is expected that a big crowd will be out to hear him.

### WILSON LANDSLIDE NOW INDICATED BY N. Y. HERALD

New York, Oct. 15.—President Wilson's re-election by a large majority is again foreshadowed by last week's results in the New York Herald's poll. With 107,403 straw votes as a basis, the states which the Herald puts in the Wilson column have 312 electoral votes, of which 266 will elect. The Herald says that the republicans seem to be at a standstill, while the democrats are forging ahead.

The Herald declares that New York, Illinois, Ohio and Indiana will decide the election and admits that Hughes' possible plurality in Ohio is under 10,000, while Wilson is leading in New York. A special dispatch from Boston in the Herald today says: "Wilson sentiment is growing alarmingly."

The Telegram, the evening edition of the Herald, probably the most rapid anti-Wilson organ in New York, says today under the heading, "Campaign slump worries leaders of republicans," that fear of the loss of the labor vote has added to other causes of apprehension among the republicans and that with the presidential election less than four weeks off republican managers admit that the campaign so far as the republican party is concerned, "has struck a slump."

### TUCUMCARI BOY WINS

The many friends of Isaac Kirkpatrick will be glad to learn that he is making good at school as well as he did here. From a clipping taken from a Valparaiso, Ind., paper we note the following:

"The Junior law class met in the Auditorium of the law building Monday for the election of Class officers. After a spirited contest, Mr. Kirkpatrick, from New Mexico, was elected president of the Class.

"Mr. Kirkpatrick is a new student in the University, this being his first term. Many members of the class have been in the University for several years and it was thought that some of these persons who were more familiar with the conditions of the school, should be put at the head of the class organization, but Mr. Kirkpatrick had already formed many acquaintances and friends who insisted upon and secured his election."

Too often we are afraid the preachers of the land talk about general topics and forget certain sins. While we don't believe in being puritanical, we think bad features of all things might as well be brought out by those who think they are evil.

Mrs. Hannah Bonem Kohn is the new assistant in the First National.