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Instead of a 4th of July Celebration This Year, Clovis Will Celebrate on June 6th - 7th at the Bankers Convention.

The Clean Up Campaign

The clean up campaign, which has been urged by the News for some time, has brought forth fruit and today Clovis is without question one of the cleanest towns in the state. Tuesday, a plan was inaugurated by the city authorities which has resulted in removing practically all the rubbish and unsightly filth from our streets and alleys. Four squads of boys were engaged to assist in the movement and with four wagons and a man superintendent on each, they were assigned to districts covering the city. The clean streets and alleys bear mute evidence that the boys did their work well. While Clovis is far from being a "spotless" town, it is by no means a filthy place. This great clean up work was done without any considerable cost and the results well repay for the effort. Credit is due Mayor Childers, City Marshal Irvine and others who have given this matter their personal attention.

Hobart C. Chatfield-Taylor, a prominent capitalist of Chicago, was in the city the past week. Mr. Chatfield-Taylor is interested with the Farwells in the Capitol Reservation lands located around and north of Farwell, Texas, and was here looking after their property interests and viewing conditions in general in this section of the country.

An Explanation

I wish to state to the public that I am not electioneering for any candidate for any office in the coming election. Whatever statements may be published as coming from me are simply recommendations of men whom I know to be good men and believe to be capable of filling well the offices to which they aspire. I trust that these statements will be considered as standing alone and without any regard to the heading above them or the setting they may have in the papers.

C. W. Lambert.

More Militiamen

Eleven more recruits for company "K" left for the border Saturday morning. The cry in all the companies is for more men and Lieut. Miller, of Clovis, is exerting every effort to recruit the Clovis company up to war strength. The following are the recruits that left Saturday.

Jno L. Smith
Henry Smith
Louis Sutton
Edw. Hawkins
Morris Shapiro
Wm. E. Davis
Sam D. Mullen
Alf W. Turner
W. C. Johnson
F. J. Burdette
Noble Penland

Dick Polk was up from Mexico the first of the week.



ROBERT C. DOW

Candidate for District Attorney of the Fifth Judicial District.

Mr. Dow, who recently carried Chaves and Eddy counties by a plurality of 1153 votes over his closest opponent K. K. Scott, the present district attorney, is in the city in the interest of his candidacy.

His lead in the primaries in those counties practically assures his nomination, regardless of the result in Roosevelt and Curry counties, but it is also conceded by all well informed democrats in these counties that they will also give him a substantial plurality.

Mr. Dow was the choice of the News from the beginning and it seems that our ideas in the matter were in absolute accord with those of the people of the two counties in the southern end of the district, where he is best acquainted.

Mr. Dow is native born citizen of New Mexico and is an able young lawyer, having practised about eight years. If he is elected the News predicts an honest, efficient and impartial administration of public affairs.

Perpetual Office Seekers

In speaking of perpetual candidates for office in Quay County, the Tucumcari Sun, a staunch democratic paper, says:

THE PERPETUAL TERM MEN
NOT WANTED

The editor of this paper has talked to a great many people from every part of Quay county in regard to the coming election, and finds that there are certain things that the people are almost universally in favor of. Above all the people will not stand for the perpetual term man, the one that thinks he has a copyright on the job. In cases where a man has made good it is only just that he should be elected for a second term, where a single term is not over two years; but it takes a piece of gall for a man to ask the people to re-elect him where he has already been in for six years. This "efficiency" stuff is not going to work with the people, when said "efficiency" is all claimed by the officers, asking re-election. Some very fine records have been made by officers, in the county, but it must be remembered that these records were due largely to the good citizens themselves.

Yeomen Attention

All Yeomen are urged to be present at Lodge Monday night May 29, 1916. Business of importance to come before the lodge.

R. B. Stanton,
Hon. Foreman

Anniversary of the New Mexico Mutual Life and Aid Association

The New Mexico Mutual Life and Aid Association is rounding out its first year in our midst. And to say this institution has made good from every conceivable standpoint, is putting it mildly.

The Association was organized by home people primarily for the protection of home people. It is fulfilling, magnificently, its mission. At its head are some of the best and most successful men of this section, which is a sufficient guarantee of the permanency, fairness and success of the Association.

It is the purpose of this Association to furnish protection at actual cost to all our citizens who are physically eligible. Only two deaths have occurred during the past year among the members, which shows that special care is exercised in the selection of its members. These claims were paid within a few hours after death came. This the Association proposes to do with all its claims.

It is doubtful if any organization among us will mean more to our people in the years to come than The New Mexico Mutual Life and Aid Association. New members are being constantly added and ere long this will be one of the really great institutions of this section.

Tucumcari Wins Game

About twenty people, mostly members of the Elks lodge, went to Tucumcari Saturday in autos to witness the game between the teams of the Clovis and Tucumcari "Bills." They returned home Sunday a tired but satisfied bunch—satisfied that they will not go again soon. They report a good time and very hospitable treatment, but the trip was tiresome. Saturday night they were entertained at a ball given in their honor and Sunday afternoon the game was played between members of the order, which resulted in a score of 5 to 4 in favor of Tucumcari. No accidents occurred to mar the pleasure of the trip, but some of the visitors paid rather dearly for their experience. G. A. Campbell lost a \$125.00 diamond, Will Curren lost a suit case and suit from the car at some point between Clovis and Grady en route over and "Skeet" Kerr lost a blue serge coat. Some of the boys lost their hearts to the Tucumcari fair ones and Hobart Miller lost his appetite.

Clovis-Texico Ball Game

The Clovis "horribles" and the Texico "terribles" crossed bats at the local diamond on the north park addition Sunday. It was a "try-out" game to secure players for a regular team for the season. The Clovis team won by a score of 15 to 3.

Finest Strawberries

We can vouch for the statement that the strawberries raised on the Buchanan farm near Portales are the best on the market, because we were presented with a couple of boxes just from the patch and can therefore testify as to the aforesaid statement of facts. Mr. Buchanan, who was in town Saturday, said that he picks them the same day they are sent to the Morris Grocery and other merchants to market for him.

Two Fires

A residence on west Grand Avenue burned to the ground Sunday morning at 2:30. It was occupied by Lee Marsh who owned the furniture. The fire is supposed to have originated from an overheated stove as Mr. Marsh made a fire about midnight. He was later awakened by his dog to find the house in flames. The furniture was insured. A shed belonging to Dr. Dillon was burned Tuesday. It caught from a bon fire.

Local happenings of interest are being crowded out of the paper these weeks because of the demand for space by the candidates. Fully two columns of local news and a dozen ads were crowded out last week. In addition we were compelled to "ditch" some country correspondence.



LYMAN E. SHAW

Candidate for Representative in the Legislature.

Mr. Shaw authorizes the News to state that he is making the race for office solely upon his own merits and in no manner does he intend to attack the moral standing or good name of his opponents in this campaign. The following letter from Rev. C. W. Lambert will testify to his "good standing" in this community:

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to testify that I have been personally acquainted with Mr. L. E. Shaw, a candidate for representative from Curry County, for more than two

years. Mr. Shaw is a man of excellent ability and fitness for such an office. As to his moral standing and uprightness of character he is the peer of any man in the county. He is a member of the Christian Church of this city in full fellowship and good standing. If he is elected, I believe he will worthily represent the county and that he will be on the right side of every issue confronting him.

Respectfully,
C. W. LAMBERT,
Pastor First Christian Church,
Clovis N. M.



HON. W. W. NICHOLS

Chairman of the Curry County Democratic Central Committee.

W. W. Nichols, former representative in the state legislature from Curry County, was elected Chairman of the County Democratic Central Committee at the convention held last week. The Democrats of the county exhibited excellent judgment in making this selection as it will go far toward harmonizing the more or less recalcitrant factions which heretofore have existed. Mr. Nichols has never participated actively with any particular faction but has always been a harmony worker in the ranks of the party. Contrary to the attitude of his colleague in the upper house, when in the legis-

lature, he made friends with members of the opposition party who were in the majority and at the same time upheld the principles of the party he was there to represent. By skillful diplomacy he was able to effect combinations that gave his measures support and at the same time he retained the respect and friendship of members of both parties.

The News was so well pleased with his work in the legislature that upon his return, we suggested that he be elected to the upper house at the next general election.