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JONES AND CURLESS ATTEND ROAD MEET

Convention at Enid, Oklahoma, Completes Routing of Abo Highway Through Oklahoma and Kansas

D. W. Jones, secretary, and Bert Curless, president, of the Clovis Chamber of Commerce attended the Abo Pass Highway convention held at Enid, Oklahoma, last Monday for the purpose of locating the highway from Enid to Kansas City.

Eighty-four delegates from four states were present at the convention and the route was located through Medford, Blackwell and Newkirk, Oklahoma, and through Arkansas City, Winfield, Eldorado, Florence, Emporia, Topeka, Lawrence, Kansas, into Kansas City. This completes the route from Kansas City to Socorro, N. M., and makes it the shortest highway between Kansas City and Los Angeles.

Bert Curless, who has been marking the routes through Texas and Oklahoma, completed the work as far as Enid before the convention met.

NO NOMINATION YET FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

Since Herman R. Crile has declined to accept the Republican nomination for Lieutenant Governor, the state committee has been casting around for a suitable man to place on the ticket. A number have been suggested for the position but so far no definite announcement of a choice has been made.

CHECK ARTIST DRAWS PENITENTIARY TERM

Deputy Sheriff Pat Wood returned this week from Santa Fe, where he turned over William Krapf to prison authorities. Krapf, who was taken into custody on a charge of forging a \$500 check on a Muleshoe bank some time ago, was sentenced to a term of from two and one half to three years.

The check was made out to "Buck Duane", a famous character in one of Zane Grey's novels, and was endorsed by Krapf. After unsuccessful attempts to cash the check at Muleshoe and Texico, \$65 was secured at a local bank before Krapf was taken into custody.

WOMEN WILL TAKE INTEREST IN BALLOT

The man who figured women were not going to take an interest in politics certainly was "another guess coming. A big portion of the population for their opportunity to come to cast their first ballot. Women will be required to register the same as men and must register their given name instead of that of their husband.

WILL HEAR COX

G. P. Kaykendall, Cash Ramey and E. H. Robinson left this morning for Albuquerque, where they will hear an address by Governor Cox this evening.

ROSWELL'S POPULATION

The census bureau has announced the population of Roswell as 7,062; an increase over the last census of 890, or 14.4 per cent.

O. O. SKIPWITH RETURNS

O. O. Skipwith and family returned this week from California where they have been for about a year. Mr. Skipwith has accepted a position with the Temple Grocery. They made the trip from California here in a car and say the roads are bad on account of continued rains and that they had a hard trip.

MRS. MASON TO ADDRESS LADIES IN CLOVIS

Mrs. C. E. Mason of Roswell will address the ladies of Curry County at the Court House on next Tuesday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock and again in the evening at 8:00. Mrs. Mason comes to Clovis under the auspices of the ladies of the Curry County Democratic Club and everybody is invited to come out and hear her address.

Mrs. Mason is a newspaper woman of Roswell and is prominent in Women's club work.

Old Land Marks Gradually Going

While Clovis is a very young city, there are many land marks here that bring back memories to the oldest settlers, but these are growing fewer and fewer as the city continues to grow. Another land mark was listed among the missing when the old frame structure was moved away and the new McClelland building was started on North Main Street.

Built in the palmy days, the building was once a popular saloon where a "tub of suds" could be bought for a nickel, where there was a side entrance for the railroad men, and a back room where the fate of the community politicians was decided.

Then came the drouth, and a soft drink stand flourished there; and then a tailor shop; and then a bakery. And until a few months ago Bill Ogg dished out "eats" to a hungry mob, and played his electric piano.

But the tide of modern improvement pushed the old building aside to where it will be used for other purposes, and another land mark has been forgotten.

LITTLE WHEAT IS BEING SHIPPED NOW

Very little wheat is being brought into Clovis now, according to local elevator men. Most of the farmers are busy putting in their fall wheat and taking care of their row crops. It is estimated that about three-fourths of the wheat in the county has been shipped, and the remainder is either in the stack or in granaries. Wheat was selling at \$2.20 this morning.

MARRIAGE RECORDS

Juan Del Valle, of Clovis and Concepcion Romero of Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, were married Wednesday by Judge J. P. Noble. David Del Valle of Clovis, and Teresa Romero of Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, were also married by Judge Noble.

Marriage license was issued Saturday to M. Soledad Torres and Vicente Holguin, both of Clovis.

CORN PRICES DROP BELOW ONE DOLLAR

For the first time since the summer of 1917, corn fell below one dollar a bushel on the Kansas City market Monday. Contracts for December delivery dropped to 99 3/4 cents.

FALL FASHION SHOW IS VERY POPULAR

Large Crowd is Pleased With Nifty Designs. Hardwick Brothers New Theatre Credit to Clovis

The new Lyceum Theatre opened Tuesday night of this week with a Fall Fashion Show put on by Clovis merchants and a pleasing program carefully arranged by the management of the Lyceum. The Fashion Revue was under the direction of Miss Edith Gilligan of Denver, Colo.

Miss Ruby Jones, Miss Pearl Francis and Mrs. L. E. Williford represented Kendall Dry Goods Company; Miss Zelma Stephens, Mrs. R. M. Bishop, and Mrs. Pearl Fridley represented Luikart & Co and Mrs. Felix Mandell, Mrs. A. W. Skarda and Mrs. Phil Duckworth represented Mandell Clothing and Dry Goods Co. The models all wore hats furnished by Miss Daisy Rainbolt's Little Smart Shop. The display of beautiful wearing apparel for women was possibly never equalled in this section and the models were at their best in properly displaying the pretty things for mid-lady for this season.

An especially interesting part of the program were the vocal selections by Mr. George Geake, formerly of the Metropolitan Grand Opera Company. Clovis has seldom had the opportunity of hearing a singer of Mr. Geake's class and his selections brought forth rounds of applause that brought him back to the stage for several encores.

In addition to the above program an excellent picture show was given.

The new Lyceum is complete in every detail and is certainly a credit to Clovis. It has a seating capacity of around 1000.

LAND SALES TAKE BIG JUMP IN LAST 6 WEEKS

Curry County Property Attracting Buyers From Many States; the Values Are Increasing

To those who are pessimistic about the future growth of Clovis and Curry County and the stability of land and property values, it will be of interest to note the rapid way in which farms and homes have changed hands during the last six weeks.

Every week sees more new land-owners in the county, and sales have recently been made to buyers from Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Kansas, and many other states in the north and east.

The records of the County Clerk show that since August 1st, no less than 143 transfers have been made covering city property in Clovis. In the same length of time there have been 119 transfers of farm land in the county covering a total of 30,779 acres.

Sales of city property range from single lots in the outskirts of the town valued at a few dollars, to Main Street business buildings involving thousands of dollars. Land sales range from two-acre tracts sold for school purposes, to several thousand acres of farm land, the record sale reaching nearly \$50,000.

Local real estate men believe that the rush to this county had just started and that by spring there will be hundreds of new citizens and property owners in Clovis and Curry County.

They believe, too, that values of city and farm property will increase steadily, as they have during the past few months.

CARS COLLIDE SATURDAY ON HIGHWAY NEAR CLOVIS

A serious accident was narrowly averted Saturday afternoon, when Ford cars driven by Dr. C. L. McClelland, of Clovis, and W. R. Atchley, of Hollene, met in a head on collision on the Grady highway a few miles north of Clovis.

Mr. Atchley suffered a broken right arm just above the wrist, and minor cuts and bruises, while Dr. McClelland was badly shaken up. Dr. McClelland's car was almost demolished and the other car was badly damaged.

Dr. McClelland was coming south on the right hand side on the highway and Mr. Atchley was driving north on the left hand side of the road, immediately following another car.

According to reports, the first car turned out to the right, but the dust was blowing so badly that neither driver saw the other until the cars collided.

The injured man was rushed to Clovis where his wounds were dressed. He returned to his home Monday.

N. W. MEXICO WILL HAVE WARM CAMPAIGN

New Mexico does not have as long a political campaign as some states, but they are warm ones, and this year promises to be no exception to the rule. Both parties now have their organizations complete and the battle-works has begun. Two years ago the state election was a tan affair. The influenza epidemic was on and there was a ban on all public gatherings, hence there were no speaking campaigns. The campaign was conducted mostly through the press and all the larger daily papers of the state were supporting the Republican ticket. This year things will be different. There will be plenty of spell binders, and both parties have supporters in the daily press.

SERVICE MEN, NOTICE!

The National War Work Council of the Y. M. C. A. has on hand \$255 collected from Curry County for the Y. M. C. A. during the war, and is anxious to use this money for the education of ex-service men in the county.

If these funds are not used before October 1st they will be given to active counties. Any ex-service man who could not obtain education through the Federal Board of Vocational Training is urged to communicate with the Curry County Chapter of the Red Cross.

Stealing Fords Is Popular Sport Here

Stealing of Ford cars is becoming a popular out-door sport in Clovis according to reports this week. R. S. Rutter's Ford car was taken from Main Street in front of the new Lyceum Theatre last Thursday evening and was later located in Texico. A Ford belonging to John Daniels was stolen Friday night from Main Street and was found Saturday on the highway two and a half miles west of the city.

Another Ford, belonging to Springfield & Wells, was stolen from in front of Denhof's store at about 8 o'clock Sunday evening. So far this car has not been located. Mr. Springfield has offered \$150 for the arrest and conviction of the thieves, but so far the authorities have not been able to locate the guilty parties.

MELROSE TO HAVE BIG FAIR OCTOBER 8

Melrose is making arrangements for a big community fair which will be held there on the 8th of October. On Wednesday of this week a meeting was held and a fair association organized with the following officers: R. N. Downie, president; W. H. Graham, vice-president; and Mrs. Rouch, secretary. The fair and program will be held at the High School there and the stores will be closed from 10:00 to 4:00 o'clock, making the day a big holiday. Melrose will bring a choice selection from her fair to the county exhibition here the 14th, 15th and 16th of October.

WILL RETURN SOON

Dr. J. D. Lynch, democratic nominee for County Commissioner from this district, writes that he will return to Melrose within the next few days. He has been spending the summer in California.—Melrose Messenger.

WILL PLAY AT HALE COUNTY FAIR NEXT WEEK

Johnson's band will leave Sunday for Plainview where they have been engaged to play a week at the Hale County Fair. This is going to be one of the best county fairs staged in the west this year.

COX SPEAKING TODAY IN NEW MEXICO

Gov. Cox is speaking in Albuquerque today. His train was wrecked in Arizona but a detour was made and he will fill his appointment there tonight. People from all over the state will no doubt be there to hear the democratic leader.

BAKERY TO OPEN UP LAST OF THIS WEEK

The new bakery which will be opened up in the new A. B. Austin & Co. building on West Grand Ave., will start operation the last of this week, according to C. N. Hardy. Mr. Hardy, with C. L. Thomas, will operate the new business.

CONNECTED WITH MOTOR INN REPAIR SHOP

W. R. Merrill of Montgomery, Ala., arrived in Clovis this week and is now connected with the Motor Inn repair shop, of which his brother, R. L. Merrill, is proprietor.

BAPTIST HOSPITAL TO BE COMPLETED SOON

The cement for the Baptist Hospital building has been received and work on the structure will be rushed to completion. The work has been delayed for some time awaiting the cement for the floors, basement and the pebble-dashing, and the building should be completed within a few weeks.

The hospital will have room to accommodate 23 patients, and as many nurses as necessary will be employed.

WOULD MAKE BETTING PENITENTIARY OFFENSE

Chicago, Sept. 20.—The American league will ask congress to enact a law at its next session making betting on a baseball game a penitentiary offense, President B. B. Johnson said in a statement tonight.

President Johnson said the league would ask that this law be worded to eliminate baseball pools.

CURRY COUNTY CENSUS FIGURES ANNOUNCED BY DEPARTMENT

Farmers Now Busy With Big Grain Crop

During the next thirty days Curry County will be busy harvesting the biggest maize and kaffir crop this county has ever raised. The rains of August have been followed by warm weather this month which is maturing the grain in a hurry. Unless cold weather comes at an earlier date than is customary for this locality little feed will be unharvested when Jack Frost makes his first appearance.

Big Corn Crop

The corn crop in the county this year is simply immense. The county will produce more corn than it has for any two years prior to this time. It is not going to be anything out of the ordinary for the yield to be forty bushels per acre.

CITY COUNCIL PASSES BUILDING ORDINANCE

At a regular meeting of the City Council an ordinance was passed regarding the erection of buildings across lots.

Section 1 of the ordinance reads as follows: "The building and construction of any residence or other structure, not a public building, across a lot or lots and not facing the street on which the lot faces, and within less than 35 feet of the property line on which said lot faces, and on less than two lots, is hereby declared a nuisance."

A penalty of from \$10 to \$50 per day is placed on the violation of this ordinance.

TENTS ARRIVE FOR CURRY COUNTY FAIR

Arrangements for Community Displays and Exhibits Being Made Through School Districts

Twenty-eight tents ranging in size from 10x15 feet to 15x20 feet were received Wednesday by E. Peterson, county agent, for use in housing the Boys and Girls Club delegates at the Curry County Fair on October 14th, 15th and 16th. Similar tents will be obtained to take care of the community farm products exhibits, and in addition to these a larger tent 50x75 feet has been secured to house the general displays.

Although definite plans have not been announced, it is probable that each community in the county will have a display tent, and prizes will be given for the most attractive ones. The community displays are being organized through the school districts of the county, according to County Superintendent James M. Bickley, who is president of the Curry County Fair Association.

COMMUNITY PICNICS ARE TO BE HELD THIS WEEK

Everybody has been invited to attend the community fairs which will be held at Bellview tomorrow (Friday) and at Texico Saturday.

The Bellview fair, which will be held with the displays from Hollene, has been widely advertised and will have many visitors. Beginning at 10:00 a. m. the program will last through the day and will be concluded with a baseball game.

The Texico fair, which will be held at the High School, also has a splendid program. Everyone is invited to bring a basket lunch and attend these fairs.

LET'S FIX 'EM UP

The city is doing some good work on Main Street this week which is much appreciated. It looks like Clovis is not due to get any paving at any time very soon and the next best thing is to get Main Street in shape. The town has come in for some very unpopular criticism of her business section streets during the past year.

CLOVIS SHOWS 50 PER CENT GAIN SINCE LAST CENSUS 10 YEARS AGO

Enumerators Missed Many Families And Clovis Should Show Much Greater Population Than Figures Credit Town With.

Clovis precincts are given a population of 5,901 according to preliminary announcement of the fourteenth census sent out by the Bureau of census at Washington. These figures indicate an increase of 2,644 in the past ten years, or 81.22 per cent. This data compiled from the figures on the two voting districts of Clovis.

The official census of Curry County shows a population of 11,236.

The census of the different precincts of the county follow:

Curry County	11,236
Precinct 1, Clovis, including part of Clovis city	3,355
Precinct 2, Texico, including Texico village	929
Precinct 3, Blacktower	500
Precinct 4, St. Vrain	307
Precinct 5, including Melrose village	902
Precinct 6, Field	294
Precinct 7, Grady	460
Precinct 8, Hollene	404
Precinct 9, Clovis, including part of Clovis city	2,564
Precinct 10, Claud	282
Precinct 11, Bellview	429
Precinct 12, Boney	173
Precinct 13, Shilo	302
Precinct 14, Havener	353

The incorporated city of Clovis is given a population of 4,904 as compared to 3,255 in 1910, an increase of over 50 per cent. This does not include the Fitzhugh Addition and several outlying additions. Many people were overlooked by the enumerators and Clovis rightfully has a much greater population than the census figures show.

Melrose and Texico. Melrose is given 364 population. It was not incorporated in 1910, so no figures are available for that year. Texico is given 381 population as compared to 409 in 1910.

CLOVIS SHOULD EVOLVE PLAN TO GET PAVING.

A Texas town, no larger than Clovis, recently was able to carry out a paving program by means of local citizens digging down in their pockets and buying the bonds. Another method suggested is for the property owners to pay cash for the paving when it is completed, thus making it unnecessary for the contracting company to sell bonds. Any property owner in the business section who would not be willing to do this is certainly lacking in the civic pride that is necessary to build a real town. Clovis is suffering materially because her streets are not paved and if any good citizen has a plan to advance whereby we will get paving, the News would like to have his views on the question.

COAL SITUATION MAY BECOME SERIOUS

The coal situation in Clovis this winter is going to be acute, if present indications count for anything. Dealers have been getting in some coal, a few cars a week, but it goes like hot cakes and is sold from the cars without being unloaded in the local coal yards.

Local dealers say they are making every effort to supply the demand but the mines fail to make shipments, claiming they are unable to get enough cars.

W. C. T. U. MEETING

The W. C. T. U. will hold an open meeting at the home of Mrs. A. B. Austin, Monday, Sept. 27th, at 8:00 p. m. Members and friends are invited to attend.