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640-ACRE BILL TO GO OVER

Judge Cutlip of Tucumcari has received a letter from Congressman Ferguson stating that the 640 acre homestead bill was favorably reported by the senate committee, but failed of unanimous consent to be placed on passage, and therefore had to go on the calendar. Unless other matters which a majority of the senators consider of far more importance are disposed of in time for this bill to be taken up before the close of the session, it will have to go over to the next session. At this time it seems likely that it will have to go over.

It is also probable that before the senate gets through with it it will have been amended more or less.

In its present shape the bill is pretty lengthy, containing twelve sections. Following is a summary of the bill as reported to the senate:

Any person qualified to make entry under the homestead laws is authorized to make a stock-raising homestead of not exceeding 640 acres of land that shall have been previously designated by the secretary of the interior as grazing lands open to entry under this act.

Section 2 authorizes the secretary to classify and designate land open to entry under the act and limits the entry to the surface of the land. Lands containing merchantable timber or which are susceptible of irrigation cannot be designated.

Section 3 prescribes that lands must be in reasonably compact form, homestead laws to be complied with except that instead of cultivation entryman shall make other permanent improvements to the value of \$1.25 per acre, at least half of which must be placed within three years from date of entry.

Section 4 provides that an entryman who already has a homestead shall have the right to take additional contiguous land, provided same has been designated under this act, sufficient to make 640 acres in all.

Section 5 provides that an entryman who has received up and received patent, who still owns and resides upon his entry, may make additional entry as provided in section 4.

Section 6 provides that where there are not sufficient contiguous lands, entry may be made within ten miles, subject to same conditions otherwise, but contiguous land must be entered first.

Section 7 authorizes one who has made entry or proof to relinquish or convey to the government and take land elsewhere in the same district under the bill.

Section 8 provides that commutation laws shall not apply.

Section 9 gives entrymen preference rights for thirty days after designation, and provides that where designated lands are contiguous to the holdings of two or more entrymen and there is not enough to give all the additional amount to which they are entitled, the Secretary of the Interior shall make as nearly equal division as possible in 40-acre tracts among those applying for preferential rights, provided that where there is but forty acres adjoining two or more entrymen the one who first applies to the local land office shall get it.

Section 10 provides that an entryman who still holds and resides upon his entry may buy at \$1.25 per acre not exceeding 320 acres of stock-raising land designated under the act or contiguous land fit only for grazing.

Section 11 reserves the mineral rights and use of surface necessary in prospecting or mining, entryman to be paid for damage to improvements or crops.

Section 12 authorizes the Secretary of the Interior to make rules and regulations for putting the law into effect.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

The board of county commissioners held a meeting Feb. 8th. Julian Salas was appointed interpreter temporarily.

Minutes of previous meeting were amended to show that the bills of Julius Meyer, sheriff, for actual expenses, were paid after having been approved by the district judge.

A petition for abolishing Lucero precinct No. 19 was rejected. Bonds of the following named justices of the peace were approved:

J. A. Will, precinct 10.
Joseph Myers, precinct 18.
R. H. Harper, precinct 8.
Amador Perea, precinct 11.
John L. Lobb, precinct 6.
Esau B. Lopez, precinct 2.
Hipolito Lucero, precinct 13.
Sostenio Montano, precinct 3.
Bonds of constables were approved as follows:

Pedro Lujan, precinct 2.
R. H. Wells, precinct 18.
Albert S. Shuford, precinct 10.
Cari B. Custer, precinct 6.
Epifanio Chavez, precinct 8.
Vicente Cisneros, precinct 13.
Bonds of Ralph G. Roberson and O. W. Kemp, justice of the peace and constable respectively in precinct 7, were rejected.
Re-adjudication of John Poll, elected justice of the peace in precinct 19, was accepted.
Adjourned to Feb. 24th.

WOMAN'S CLUB

Mrs. W. H. Mason entertained the Woman's Club on Friday, February 12th, Lincoln's birthday, at the club room, which was attractively decorated with national flags.

Mrs. Elgin, president of the Club, called the session to order. Roll call was responded to with brief items of U. S. history.

Plans were made for an Easter sale.

After the business meeting the guests found their places at the table, where the leg cabin home of Abraham Lincoln in miniature formed the centerpiece, and where a most appetizing two-course luncheon was enjoyed.

Seed Wheat! Seed Wheat! Seed Wheat For Sale!

I have about 7,000 pounds of seed wheat, good and sound, grown here, for sale. Call by phone or write.—Juan C. Jaramillo, Torreon, N. M. adv

For Sale

One good 5 H. P. gasoline engine and a Gould No. 4 centrifugal pump, complete.—John H. McKee.

Live Stock For Sale

Span of mules, 2 and 3 years old, bay and black. Money makers at the price.—S. C. Arrendiell, 6 miles west one half mile south of McIntosh.

Notice

I am putting out poison for jack rabbits on my ranch northwest of town. Owners of live stock are hereby warned to look after the same.—H. L. Hoover adv

MILLINERY

I will be at my place of business after Feb. 4th, in the Laue building opposite postoffice, but will not have my opening until March 20th. I would be pleased to have you call and see my line.—Mrs. Eva Watson. adv

For Sale—Dowing gooseberry bushes, 10c each, six or more delivered by parcels post first or second zone.—L. C. Fix, McIntosh.

For Sale—Second hand piano, cheap. Call at this office.

DEVELOPMENT ASS'N MEETING

The adjourned meeting of the Torrance County Development Association will be held at Willard February 23rd, at the same time as the meeting of the County Federation of Women's Clubs. A delegate meeting of the different local Anti Horse Thief Associations will be held at the same time and place, and Willard is getting ready to entertain these three important meetings in metropolitan style. The Anti Horse Thief delegates will discuss and probably take some action relative to a state organization at this meeting, and the Development Association will plan an active campaign for this season's work. These meetings should be well attended and doubtless will be by all "Forward Looking" men interested in the development of the county's varied resources.

SUDAN GRASS FOR DRY COUNTRY

Sudan grass appears to be the hay plant that the dry land farmers of the Southwest have needed so long. It has been grown six years in the Panhandle of Texas, yielding a ton of hay an acre in dry seasons and four tons an acre in years of good rainfall. It has done well in the dry lands of Kansas, Oklahoma, eastern Colorado and eastern New Mexico.

Sudan grass is considered to be the original type of wild sorghum and is often called the "mother of all the sorghums." Like the sorghums and the kafirs, it is a vigorous drought resister and will wait a long time for rain. During a prolonged drought it stops growing and stands still, but it lives. When rains come it makes a quick and heavy growth, seeming to have accumulated energy while it waited for rain.

The hay is much like that made from sorghum, except that the stems are finer, about the size of a lead pencil; the hay, therefore, contains a greater proportion of leaf than that made from cane. On account of the small stalk the crop is easy to cure into hay and keeps well when stacked. The plant holds its leaves well, which gives it a marked advantage in windy weather and when it is necessary to delay cutting.

It does not thrive where the nights are too cool. In 1914 it yielded well in eastern Colorado at an altitude of 5,500 feet. It will probably be found unprofitable at altitudes so high as to prevent sorghum from growing well.

It is the general opinion of conservative growers that Sudan grass will take the place in the Southwest of millet and of considerable cane. Its one serious defect for the southwest is that it crosses readily with the kafirs, sorghums and broom corn, and unless care is taken this characteristic will result in mongrel seed of all these crops on farms where all are grown.—H. M. Cottrell, Agricultural Commissioner, Rock Island Lines.

Mrs. J. W. McPherson writes from Memphis, Texas, where the family now reside, that the baby who was so sick here the latter part of last summer is now fat and hearty and looks the picture of health. Mrs. McPherson thinks the child's life was saved by the kindness of Estancia women who aided in the care of it, and wants to express her gratitude to them through the medium of this paper. She says she will never forget this service, and will remember it when she has an opportunity to render a like service for some other sufferer.

SUPREME COURT SAYS NO PAY

Santa Fe, Feb. 17.—The supreme court handed down an important decision today in the case of the State ex rel. A. B. Baca, assessor of Socorro County vs. Max H. Montoya, treasurer of Socorro County, appellant. The opinion is written by Chief Justice C. J. Roberts and Associate Justice R. H. Hanna concurs in it. Associate Justice Frank W. Parker files a separate concurring opinion in which he says: "In this connection it is to be observed that there is much to be said in extenuation of, if not justification of the action of boards of county commissioners throughout the state in advancing money to county officers, so that the business of government could be carried on and the revenues of the state collected; but it will not do to entrust to any board, or officers the discretion to disburse the public money for official services to the officers of the state or of the counties. Such compensation must be fixed by law."

The judgment of the court below is reversed with directions to dismiss the petition. The assessor of Socorro county filed two claims against the county, totaling \$5,000 expended for deputy and clerk hire in 1912 and 1913. The county commissioners allowed the claims, but the treasurer refused to pay the warrants. Appellee sued out a writ of mandamus and the treasurer in reply set up that the warrants were void. The assessor demurred, his demurrer being sustained by the district court and a peremptory writ of mandamus was ordered issued.

The court says the service of a public officer is supposed to be gratuitous unless the law fixes compensation. Should the legislature fail to pass a salary law, both civil and criminal actions are to be brought against some 200 county officials to recover monies due the state.—Albuquerque Morning Journal.

D. Woods, who was among the early settlers of the valley, having purchased a homestead a few miles northeast of Estancia, died February 5th at the home of a grand daughter near Arkansas City, Kansas. The body was buried in the Newkirk, Oklahoma, cemetery on the 7th. Mr. Woods was above eighty years of age.

The Willard school district has let the contract to Albuquerque parties for remodeling the school house, which has been considered unsafe for some time past, and the district has been renting buildings in which to hold school. The upper story of the school house is to be torn down and two rooms added on the ground floor. The reported contract price for the work is \$3,100.

On February 16 the W. C. T. U. met at the home of Mrs. Losater with five members and two visitors present. Four very interesting papers were read by different members. It was voted to send three dollars to the state treasurer for the Francis Willard Memorial Fund, said fund to be used in the legislature for temperance work. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Holloway on March 2nd.

If you want your folks back home to know about the Estancia valley, send them the News-Herald. It's quite a job to tell all about it in letters. The News-Herald tells about the weather, the crops, the buying and selling, the coming and going, the births and deaths and marriages, the county news, and everything you would put in a letter except intimate personal matters. For less than three cents a week.

ALLEGED HORSE THIEF CAPTURED

Deputy Sheriff Dee Robinson on last Thursday arrested W. L. Chavez, charged with stealing some horses from Teodoro Tenorio near Encino. Chavez is now in jail awaiting preliminary trial. His home is said to be on the Rio Grande below Albuquerque. Tenorio telephoned the sheriff's office here concerning his loss, and at the same time started on the trail himself. Deputy Sheriff Robinson located Chavez and had him detained at Moriarty, but while he was enroute from here to Moriarty Tenorio appeared there, recovered his horses and left for home with them, and Chavez was allowed to proceed. He was captured a few miles west of Moriarty by Mr. Robinson.

MORIARTY

From the Moriarty Messenger.
Everybody is hopeful of a good season this year.

All the draws on the west side are running with water.

The snow is going slowly under the warm rays of the sun.

Mr. and Mrs. M. V. Dunning have returned to the ranch after an extended visit with friends in Iowa and Nebraska.

Tom Browning filed on 320 acres in the Otto district Tuesday.

C. B. Seaman made a business trip to Santa Fe Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Pierce of Meade, Kansas, arrived Saturday and are stopping with Mrs. Pierce's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Pickett.

On January 30th Miss Eulalia Louisa, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Pinter of Venus, was given in marriage to William Wallace McClellan of Albuquerque. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Warren at the Pinter home in Hell Canyon. Immediately after the ceremony a dinner was served to the immediate families and a few friends. Mr. McClellan is a well known Albuquerque man, a son of Judge McClellan.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior,
U. S. Land Office at Santa Fe, N. M.
February 10, 1915.

Notice is hereby given that Charles E. Ingle, of Estancia, New Mexico, who, on February 23rd, 1909, made homestead entry No. 05891, for 64 1/2 Section 5, Township 5 north, Range 8 east, N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make five year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Neal Jensen, U. S. Commissioner, at Estancia, New Mexico, on the 24th day of March, 1915.

Claimant names as witnesses:
S. W. Hodgson, George Pugh, J. M. Spruill, Henry Cox, all of Estancia, New Mexico.

FRANCISCO DELGADO, Register.

RECOGNIZED ADVANTAGES.

You will find that Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has recognized advantages over most medicines in use for coughs and colds. It does not suppress a cough but loosens and relieves it. It aids expectoration and opens the secretions, which enables the system to throw off a cold. It counteracts any tendency of a cold to result in pneumonia. It contains no opium or other narcotic, and may be given to a child as confidently as to an adult. For sale by all dealers. adv

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Department of the Interior,
U. S. Land Office at Santa Fe, N. M.
February 10, 1915.

Notice is hereby given that William T. Ensminger, of McIntosh, New Mexico, who, on April 16th, 1908, made homestead entry No. 13864-00277, for 64 1/2 Section 20, Township 8 north, Range 8 east, N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make five year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Neal Jensen, U. S. Commissioner, at Estancia, New Mexico, on the 24th day of March, 1915.

Claimant names as witnesses:
L. H. Spencer, John Vanderford, John L. Vanderford, H. V. Lipe, all of McIntosh, New Mexico.

FRANCISCO DELGADO, Register.

M'INTOSH

Special Correspondence.

Our new family, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Brittain have gone to housekeeping in the Jensen building. We neighbors wish them all the happiness and good luck in the world.

Mrs. Frank Laws has gone to Santa Fe. Miss Mabel is sick and Mrs. Laws has gone to "mother" her well again. Mr. Laws looks like he was needing her at the other end of the line already.

Mr. Gates has moved his family to town to put them in school.

Mrs. W. W. Wagner enjoyed a visit from Mrs. H. V. Lipe and children Saturday.

Miss Rennie Stump, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Groff and Lem Vanderford took in the dance at Moriarty Saturday eve.

J. A. Brittain is having his house repaired. John Gloss is doing the work.

Word comes of the safe arrival in Kentucky of Mr. and Mrs. Hockersmith. A good old fashioned rain greeted them and they had to wade mud instead of snow.

Wm. Beaty has been in the hospital with a crippled foot.

Mrs. Irene Willy has returned home after a two months stay with Mrs. Beaty.

The Misses Spencer spent Sunday at Cedar Crest.

Silverton, McIntosh can beat you in school attendance. Just five absent marks in the last month and two and three miles to come.

You may beat us on rug making, but we have you going on attendance.

LUCY

Special Correspondence.

J. M. Power is at home for a few days.

Mrs. S. A. Edmonds and Dorothy were both sick last week.

Mrs. Ora Brown and son Roy are visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. Heal.

Brad Comer has gone to Magdalena to see his sister Miss Willie Comer.

Mr. and Mrs. Allan McGillivray took dinner at John McGillivray's Sunday. J. A. Robertson has been helping Mr. Walker build a cellar.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross and daughter Lorene, of Romulus, Oklahoma, have come to stay in our midst. At present they are visiting the parents of Mrs. Ross, Mr. and Mrs. Heal.

Rev. Bard will preach at the schoolhouse Saturday night and Sunday, February 20th and 21st.

Messrs. and Mesdames J. H. and J. C. Power, R. W. Jackson, Mrs. M. A. Maloney and J. M. Power took dinner at the Austin ranch Sunday.

Miss Daisy E. Hendershott and E. W. Moore of western Oklahoma, were married at Carrizozo last Thursday. They left for Oklahoma Monday.

NEGRA

Special Correspondence.

Mr. and Mrs. Hardy have returned to Albuquerque after spending several days in Negra.

Palmer Berry and family moved in last week from Stanley. They are "old timers" in Negra and we welcome their return.

Misses Ellen and Annie C. Murphy attended the teachers meeting in Willard last week.

Messrs McWhirter and Piercen of Albuquerque spent Monday and Tuesday in Negra on business.

Notice of Contest

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Department of the Interior,
United States Land Office,
Santa Fe, New Mexico,
January 16, 1915.

To Merle E. Shooler, of Lucia, N. M., Contestee:

You are hereby notified that John McGillivray, who gives Lucia, New Mexico, as his postoffice address, did, on November 23, 1914, file in this office his duly corroborated application to contest and secure the cancellation of your homestead entry, Serial No. 013361, made April 27, 1910, for 1/2 sec 2 and Lots 6 and 7, Section 31, Township 5 north, Range 11 east, N. M. P. Meridian, and as grounds for his contest he alleges that said entryman has wholly abandoned said land for more than one year last past, and is now not residing upon and cultivating said land, as is required by the homestead law.

You are, therefore, further notified that the said allegations will be taken as confessed and your said entry will be cancelled without further right to be heard, either before this office or on appeal, if you fail to file in this office within twenty days after the FOURTH publication of this notice, as shown below, your answer, under oath, specifically responding to these allegations of contest, together with due proof that you have served a copy of your answer on the said contestant either in person or by registered mail.

You should state in your answer the name of the post office to which you desire future notices to be sent to you.
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Department of the Interior,
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Notice is hereby given that Russel E. Adams, of Vaughn, N. M., who, on March 15, 1909, made homestead entry, No. 09185, for 64 1/2 Section 34, Township 6 north, Range 16 east, N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make five year proof to establish claim to the land above described, before Geo. A. Miller, U. S. Commissioner, at Vaughn, N. M., on the 22nd day of March, 1915.

Claimant names as witnesses:
W. R. Simpson, Henry Mullen, Fred Adams, Elizabeth Hill, all of Vaughn, New Mexico.

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