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Arizona's Peeless Leader Nominated.

Mark Smith was nominated by a vote of 175 to 45 on the first ballot at Prescott last Saturday. Certain exchanges, consipuously the Paradise Record, have criticised us for putting up our ticket, with Bryan, Kern and Smith at its head, before the traditional "chickens" were hatched. The fact is that we would not presume on the ignorance of the patrons of THE PROSPECTOR admitting that there could be any other result than the nomination of Smith.

To turn down this silver-haired legion leader at this stage in the advancement of the territory, after his life long labors in its behalf, and when his services were so sorely needed in a serious crisis, would constitute a species of indefinable indifference to our own interests, as well as a stroke of masterly ingratitude to the man, who above all others, has swam through every swamp of adversity, holding the colors of his country and of Arizona high above his noble head. Hereafter, be quiet you little fellows, when THE PROSPECTOR assumes political results.

THE WARDWELL INCIDENT.

This Wardwell, leper incident, involving as it has a subject and theme which lends unscrupulous and sensational journals latitude without limit, has been utilized by a hundred nightmare mongers to the utmost, and to the detriment of the community, the embarrasment of the authorities in charge of the situation, and the unspeakable anguish of the parties immediately concerned.

It does occur to the rational, patriotic citizen some times, that there are circumstances and situations, in which the wild, freebooting, and an unscrupulous press, ought to be curbed.

Such an instance is of current consequence at the present time in regard to the Wardwell affair.

It is frankly conceded, that Mrs. Wardwell has a modified form of leprosy, and that she should be isolated and cared for, but the fact that the General and herself have been constantly living together for years and that he has never contracted the malady, demonstrates that it is not communicable.

The matter will be disposed of with a minimun of friction In the meantime the community has no occasion for solicitudes. The big sensational papers have stretched every point, fabricated a thousand fictions and made a mountain out of an ant hill.

Of Interest To Women.

To such women as are not seriously out of health, but who have exacting duties to perform, either in the way of household cares or in social duties and functions which seriously tax their strength, as well as to nursing mothers, Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription has proved a most valuable supporting tonic and invigorating nervine. By its timely use, much serious sickness and suffering may be avoided. The operating table and the surgeons' knife, would, it is believed, seldom have to be employed if this most valuable woman's remedy were resorted to in good time. The "Favorite Prescription" has proven a great boon to expectant mothers by preparing the system for the coming of baby, thereby rendering childbirth safe, easy, and almost painless.

Bear in mind, please that Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription is not a secret or patent medicine, against which the most intelligent people are quite naturally averse, because of the uncertainty as to their composition and harmless character, but is a MEDICINE OF KNOWN COMPOSITION, a full list of all its ingredients being printed, in plain English, on every bottle-wrapper. An examination of this list of ingredients will disclose the fact that it is non-alcoholic in its composition, chemically pure, triple-refined glycerine taking the place of the commonly used alcohol, in its make-up. In this connection it may not be out of place to state that the "Favorite Prescription" of Dr. Pierce is the only medicine put up for the cure of woman's peculiar weaknesses and ailments, and sold through druggists, all the ingredients of which have the unanimous endorsement of all the leading medical writers and teachers of all the several schools of practice, and that too as remedies for the ailments for which "Favorite Prescription" is recommended.

A little book of these endorsements will be sent to any address, post-paid, and absolutely *free* if you request same by postal card, or letter, of Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets cure constipation. Constipation is the cause of many diseases. Cure the cause and you cure the disease. Easy to take as candy.

This Is One of Life's Bright Spots.

If there is anything that suggests heavenly music, it is when the bald headed man after slapping flies for an hour, suddenly conceives the brilliant idea of strapping a sheet of "tanglefoot" fly paper over his brain dome with the business side out, and listening to the death song of his tormentors, as they run the gamut, cut the chromatic scale, then die off to faint distant whispering and finally succumb to the fate they so richly deserve. There are some bright spots in life after all, and this is one of them.

The New Court House Site.

Our honorable contemporary, The Bisbee Review, has this to say about the locality where some yearning souls would place the new county seat and rear a $200,000.00 court house, to be sacrificed to the God of raging waters. The following extract is taken from a graphic description of the second flood, at our neighbor city:—

"A few minutes after the torrential rain began to fall Brewery Gulch became a roaring river whose banks were the curbings on each side of the street. Scores of tin cans washed down by the water made an inconceivable din as they rattled against the brick pavement. A dog, struggling in vain against the current, was swept swiftly to a watery death in the subway."

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"Had the water which fell yesterday been precipitated in as short a time as that of the last flood, the damage would have been enormous. Fortunately while the rain lasted much longer, it did not fall so rapidly. Meantime, the experience of yesterday is liable to be repeated at any moment, with even more disastrous results."

Our suggestion is that the new court house be built on the floating dock plan, so it can defy the torrential conditions prevailing in the dear old camp.

A RUNAWAY.

Landers brothers had "some horse"
hitched to a weight on Allen street.
And the way those animals tore the air,
constituted an elegant treat.
To the men and kids, two hundred
strong,
Who very naturally happened along
As they turned the corner and broke
their pace,
And stretched away in a furious
race.
Till the good old wagon was up side
down
And the wheels were running all
over town,
And the faithful "nags" to complete
their role
Tried to climb a telegraph pole.
Another job for King, the blacksmith.

The Lucky Cuss.

The new hoisting plant at the Lucky Cuss, including as it does the hoist from the Toughnut, is nearing completion.

The hoist is perhaps the best pattern of the early style hoist ever brought to Tombstone. The drums are being placed today.

The shaft, which is 600 feet, vertical, is in good shape. It has been retimbered and new guides supplied, but the formation was so solid that only a few feet of cribbing and filling were necessary around the collar. From the 600-foot level there is a 200-foot incline winze, in which a fine body of ore was discovered at the time work was suspended.

Within a week the hoist will be in operation and the virgin ore will be in evidence. Assuming that the "goods" are there, which we feel we have a right to do, it will require considerable "blocking out" before the output of the proposition will be of any considerable consequence.

The success of the Lucky Cuss will constitute an entering wedge to the situation in this camp and great hopes are entertained in regard to the results.

In the mean time, developing work, drifting and blocking out operations are progressing steadily in other properties of the Tombstone Consolidated. While this tedious work is in progress permitting of the employment of a definite and limited number of men, only, many have been temporarily let out, giving rise to foundationless reports.

The outlook is splendid and the original ore will shortly supplant the old dumps on which the mill has been operating.

A TELEPHONE LINE

From Tombstone to California Points Is the Latest Move

A telephone line from California to El Paso via Tombstone is a near probibility, according to report.

At present there is a line from Los Angeles to Redlands, Cal., and it is said that this line will be extended to Yuma, and thence to El Paso, connecting with the Tombstone Telephone company's line.

The proposed route of the long distance line is understood to be along the Southern Pacific line as much as possible.

According to present plans of work will commence at both ends of the line within 90 days, and the system will be completed as soon as possible The line will be double wired with copper wire weighing 435 pounds to the mile. The total weight of wire used on the main line alone will be 870,000 pounds, while 30,000 poles will be required.

THEY WERE SCALPED

By the Indians of the Opata Tribe In the Local Wigwam Last Night

Opata Tribe No. 15, Tombstone, last night gathered into their wigwam two pale faces and made them over. W. T. Tupper, manager of the Schieffelin Opera House, had to stand tied to a mesquite, while the tribesmen scalped his companion, Oscar K. Goll, and hung the trophy on the ridge pole of the tepee. When they emerged, full fledged warriors, they bore their feathers proudly. These old boys were caught poaching on the reservation, and promptly converted into scouts for the service of the tribe. The team work, scenic effects and all details are carried out beautifully in the Opata wigwam, and these renegades got the benefit of the whole warehouse.

Joy Tags.

Charles Blythe to wed Miss Gladys Philbrick, both of Douglas. Miss Philbrick is one of the favorite daughters of the Smelter city and the felicitation of a host of friends follow her on the trail of domestic life.

Fred Dorr of Bisbee, 28 years of age, to wed Mae Irene Johnson, age 28 o the same place.

For Sale—20 head milk cows, dairy cattle, horse, wagon and cans; dairy outfit. Inquire at this office. J21-s

THE A. O. S. OF N.

Are Getting Into Practice for the Big Hunting Expedition This Fall

The Ancient Order of the Sons of Nimrods of Tombstone were drilling under Captain George Wilson yesterday afternoon. They gave a Mexican 4-bits for an antedeluvian burro whose bones were beginning to dig through his hide. They practiced throwing the plain tie, the squall tie and the diamond loop, till they knew all about it. Then they mercifully chloroformed that burro, divested him of his hide, stuffed him with sacaton grass, till he was about the size of a silver tip, stood him off 300 yards and practiced on him. There were 2 hits during the afternoon. Several recruits came in and joined the squad, all of whom were promptly commissioned, including Oscar Goll as chaplain.

JUDGE CAMPBELL OUT?

That Is the Rumor Being Circulated About Prescott

A Prescott dispatch says:—

Governor Kibbey returned to Phoenix this morning after being here yesterday in consultation with local republicans. In an interview he declared that under no conditions will he be a candidate for congress. He said republicans in the south are considering Lorenzo Hubbell of Apache county as an available candidate.

With the coming of Kibbey to Prescott a rumor gained currency that Judge Campbell of Tucson has resigned and that Attorney General R. S. Clark is to be his successor.

Hon. Leroy Anderson of Yavapai county, it is believed, would be willing to accept the republican nomination for congress.

WILL NOT COME HERE

To Examine Into the Wardwell Case --Dr. Greene to Report Same

Dr. Coleman, territorial sanitary commissioner, will not visit Tombstone in connection with the Wardwell affair.

Dr Greene, county health superintendent, will report on the case, and the probabilites are that the woman will be returned to California, where the authorities of that state can assume the responsibility in the case.

Letters from parties, fake doctors, empyrics, and quacks are still pouring in on the General, who declines to go to the trouble of reading them, and turns them over to the hospital management.

A Prescott dispatch says: It was made public here today that the Hon. Alfred Ruiz of St. Johns, Apache county, well known all over Arizona and a member of the Twenty-third legislative council and at present probate judge of Apache county, has been charged with embezzlement from the school fund and with perjury and has been bound over to the grand jury on four counts. Ruiz waived examination and was released on $2000 bonds. The amount alleged to have been embezzled is less than one thousand dollars. The charges against Ruiz were made public here following the visit of Isaac Barth, district attorney of Apache county, who has been in attendance at the democratic convention.

FLOOD DAMAGES

At Flagstaff Will Reach In the Neighborhood of $25,000

The Flagstaff Gem, in enumerating the damages done by the recent floods in its section, says that gardens were destroyed, poultry drowned and much loss caused by the flooding of residences. Fencing has been destroyed and plank sidewalks were piled up in every direction.

North of Flagstaff four valuable dams were washed out.

At Bellmont fields of grain were destroyed and fencing swept away.

The flood losses of the Saginaw and Manistee Lumber company will reach in the neighborhood of $25,000.

From Wednesday's Daily.

Charley Ray is having an observation cart or a sort of "buggy-marine" fitted with a rain-proof roof from beneath which, when he gets on that celebrated hunting trip, he can shoot the poor animals, who, attracted by the "wonderosity" of his overland ark, come to rubber.

Mrs. Tony DeMuth and children returned from a visit to Austin, Tex., this morning.

Frank Jackson, pioneer printer, brother of Oric Jackson, for years connected with the Prescott Journal-Miner, arrived in Tombstone this morning. Mr. Jackson is distinctly typical of the old Arizona school of printers.

An excellent program will be had at The Schieffelin tomorrow night. Don't miss it

Dick Fleisher, popular head of the Dos Nacionos cigar factory in Nogales, returned home yesterday.

Doctor Hitchins, the dentist, returned from Leadville yesterday enroute to Tucson.

A letter was delivered yesterday, directed to the Honorable Good Frankbody, Judge of the probate court, inquiring into the Wardwell situation and undertaking to cure the whole works for a stipulated sum, strictly in advance. This incident has drawn the fire of more fakes in the east than were ever supposed to exist. It is all the same to Judge Goodbody whether you get the Frank before the Good, the Good before the Frank, the Body in the middle or on one side.

Capt. Wheeler and a half dozen Arizona rangers have gone to a point on the international border, thirty miles east of Douglas, to prevent the crossing of fifty hostile Yaquis who are being pursued by 200 Mexican troops. At Pilares, Sonora, yesterday, the Yaquis were half a day's ride ahead of the troops and were heading toward the Escuela mountains. The Yaquis are said to be well armed but poorly provisioned.

H T. Green is over from Douglas.

E. C. Campbell is visiting Tombstone from the land of much moisture, Bisbee.

Cleofas y Barra died at her home yesterday, August 11th, at four o'clock p. m She lived in the west end of Tombstone and had resided here many years. The funeral takes place today.

INDEPENDENCE PARTY

Boss of Arizona Returns to Territory From the Windy City

As chipper as ever and not in the least ashamed of himself, J. J. Healy, independence party boss of Arizona, has returned from Chicago, where he cut all past ties that have bound him to democracy and swore allegiance to William Randolph Hearst and his political ambitions.

Healy tells the Phoenix Democrat that the independents will nominate a delegate to congress in Arizona, and in Maricopa county at least will place a county ticket in the field. What the other counties will do he cannot announce until he feels the pulse.

When it was suggested to Healy that there are not enough followers of Hearst in Maricopa county to make up a ticket, Healy winked and with a wise look said:

"Look out for a big surprise in November when the votes of the independence party are counted.

"We already have a petition with 4200 names, asking that the name of our candidate for delegate to congress be placed on the ticket. We are not yet ready to announce his name, and may not make it known until we file the certificate of nomination with the territorial secretary."

THEY HAVE RETURNED

To Tombstone After a Protracted Visit In the Mighty East

The sanctum of THE PROSPECTOR office was suddenly illuminated this morning by the presence of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kreuder, who returned from the East yesterday, after a protracted visit in the mighty East and its monumental attractions. They were especially hooked up about the glories of Coney Island, but like all true Arizonans, after the ball was over, their hearts turned yearningly to the garden of the great southwest, old Arizona, and here they are.

LEPER WOMAN VIOLENT

Wardwell Very Ill--- Early Death Expected

COLE GIVES UP HOPE

Letter From Washington Authorities Regarding the Leper Case

General Wardwell Very Low.

General Wardwell at 3:30 p. m. was very low. There are no hopes for his recovery and Dr. Bishop stated that it would be no surprise if the old veteran should pass away before twenty-four hours.

The woman is still very violent, and badly exhausted from constant nervous strain.

It would seem that death will solve the problem before the authorities take any definite action.

The management as well as the inmates of the institution feel the strain of the situation keenly.

Letter From Albert Cole.

A letter came from Albert Cole yesterday, in whose behalf certain action has been taken with a view to obtaining a pardon.

The letter was directed to Cole's sister, Mrs. Wardwell, and was very despondent in its tone. He does not seem to entertain any substantial hope of clemency.

Letter From Washington.

The following letter received by Clerk Berner is self-explanatory:—

Treasury Department,
Surgeon General Public Health
And Marine Hospital Service,
Washington, August 8, 1908,

Mr. H. E. Berner, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, Tombstone, Arizona.

Sir;—Your telegram of August 5, 1908, addressed to the Secretary of State, reporting that Cochise county, Arizona, has a female leper in the County hospital, and requesting permission from the department to send her to the leper colony in Hawaii, has been received and referred to this bureau for reply.

You are informed that the national government maintains no leper settlement in Hawaii, and that the leper colony on Molokai is maintained and operated by the territorial government of Hawaii. It would be impossible, therefore, to authorize the transfer of the leper in question to this colony, and in addition the transportation and the introduction of contagious diseases from one state or territory to another state or territory is forbidden under the provisions of the act of March 27, 1890.

You are informed, however, that it is not believed by the bureau that the existence of this case of leprosy in Cochise county should cause any alarm. While the communicable nature of leprosy is recognized, the contagion of the disease is very slow and simple precautions are all that are needed to prevent it's spread.

For a number of years the state of Louisiana has maintained a colony for it's lepers; Massachusetts has likewise in recent years established a leper colony, and for a number of years the state of Minnesota has practiced a system of caring for its lepers in their homes, and this without offense and without any evidence of the spread of the disease.

It is suggested that if the authorities of Cochise county desire more definite information upon the Minnesota system, which, without the information before the bureau, would seem to be the one most applicable to the present conditions in the said county, that the authorities should apply to the secretary of the State Board of Health of Minnesota, at Minneapolis, by whom no doubt all information as to the plans and details of operations will be furnished.

Respectfully,
WALTER WYMAN,
Surgeon General.

The Wardwells are at the county hospital, the woman being isolated in a remote corner of the enclosure.

The General is in the main ward, suffering from cancer in the right eye and a species of dementia due to extreme old age and the nervous strain imposed by the recent malodorous incident.

He is "sore" at the California press, which has given the matter so much undue notoriety. His case is a bad one and he is very feeble.

Mrs. Wardwell is insane, and a very difficult patient to handle. There is no question but what she is afflicted with a form of leprosy, which, however, is absolutely non-contagious and non-communicable.

The territorial sanitary commissioner was expected here yesterday, but has not arrived as we go to press. Washington writes from the state department that they can do nothing under the law. Parties have petitioned the governor to pardon Albert Cole, brother of the woman, to the end that he may care for the stricken woman. No results as yet.

No alarm is felt in Tombstone, but a sincere desire exists to have the matter disposed of at the earliest possible moment.

The little tremor of excitement in regard to the Wardwell leper situation has about run down.

The matter has been given such a measure of undue and morbid notoriety that the hospital authorities and the mayor have been overwhelmed with inquiries and the patients themselves buried in communications, principally from medical fakes in the east, who undertake to cure leprosy for revenue only.

One female writes from Maryland stating that they (she and her husband) had recently lost a boarder and were on the verge of destitution. That she would rather face leprosy than starvation, and consequently sought a situation as nurse for the afflicted Mrs. Wardwell.

Most of these letters bore the unmistakable ear marks of the faker and the grafter. One carried a copy of the Los Angeles Examiner the margins of which were filled with scriptural quotations, ending up with figures which demonstrated that the sender was strictly 'out for the dough.'

Among the ingeniously concocted epistles from the four quarters of the earth, trying to get in on the Wardwell-leper situation, comes one from Chicago, one from no less a personage than Hon. G. Lennox Curtis, a millionaire physician of New York, from a Bisbee woman, from Ocean City, Maryland, from Mrs. Dunbar of Phoenix.

The Territorial Sanitary Commissioner has been expected on from Phoenix for several days, but as yet has not materialized. In the meantime the hospital authorities have been subjected to much inconvenience, embarrassment and a peculiar strain all along, which they bear with peculiar equanimity and have done everything in their power to lessen the seriousness of the situation. It is still to be hoped that the authorities have the power and the inclination to dispose of the matter in a manner that will meet the ends of justice to the parties and to the patient community.

At last accounts the General was low, and little hope is entertained for his recovery.

The probabilities are that if the authorities keep up their record for tardiness, the gravel will close over the old man's grave before anything definite is decided upon.

Six Million Boxes a Year.

In 1895, none; in 1900, 6,000,000 boxes; that's Cascarets Candy Cathartic's jump into popularity. The people have cast their verdict. Best medicine for the bowels in the world. All druggists, 10c