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NEWSY ITEMS OF ARIZONA

Prepared in Condensed Form From All Over the State

Seriously Burned

Serious burns on the hand were sustained by W. J. Merrimod, chief engineer of the Santa Cruz Ice company, at Tucson, when he was shocked by an electric current at the Espe shops Friday morning about ten o'clock.

In Supreme Court

The case of O. Gibson vs. James F. Duncum, an appeal from the superior court of Cochise county was filed in the supreme court yesterday. The action concerns the drainage of certain lots in Tombstone.—Phoenix Republican.

Passes Away

Following a period of ill health extending over two or three years, Dr. Oscar L. Mahoney, one of the best known citizens of Phoenix, died Saturday at the family residence, 1106 West Washington street.

Scharlot Hall ill

According to advice received from California, Scharlot M. Hall, formerly state historian and well known in literary, is critically ill in her home at Los Angeles. She is suffering from a severe nervous affection brought on by over work.

Attacks Wife

The timely aid of Fred V. Cannady, who is the fourteen year old son of Mrs. A. D. Cannady, in attacking his father with a board yesterday morning at six o'clock in front of the family home of Meyer street, stopped further attacks on her by her husband, who attacked his wife with a knife.

Little Boy Kicked

Last Sunday morning the six-year-old son of M. and Mrs. J. L. Prewitt, was kicked by a horse and seriously injured at Phoenix.

No Headlight Needed

The corporation commission yesterday extended the lead light order in the case of the Mascot & Western, which will shortly begin the operation of trains over the new railroad from Wilcox to the Mascot mine. As trains will be operated only during the daylight, the commission extended the order until such time as night service might be commenced.

Aged Man Dies

Nathan R. Pressey, 66 years of age, a native of California, died Sunday morning at his home in the Sulphur Spring valley, about five miles south east from Pearce as the result of heart failure.

Copper-Colored Numbers

Arizona automobiles may wear copper colored tags if samples submitted to Secretary of State Sidney P. Osborn are accepted. Among the more handsome combinations are black letters on a background of copper. No decision has yet been made as to what colors will be used for 1915.

PART OF HOSPITAL LAND GRANT IN COCHISE COUNTY

PHOENIX, June 14—Word has been received at the office of the state land commission of the approval by the general land office of 20,005 acres selected under the grant for a hospital for disabled miners. It is generally understood that James Madison was the chief author of the Constitution of the United States. He had a doubt the great instrument was the joint product of the entire convention, but from the best accounts Madison was the man who put it into shape as we have it today.

ARIZONA TO REAP BUMPER WHEAT CROP

PHOENIX, June 13—Arizona's wheat crops, bringing the producers \$1.75 a bushel on an average, as compared with a price of \$1.32 secured in other states, will amount to nearly a million and a quarter bushels this year, according to a report rendered by the bureau of crop satisfaction of the department of agriculture. Since the same time in 1914, the price of Arizona wheat has increased seven cents, says the report.

The same holds true of a number of other staple crops. In each instance, the amount realized by the producer in Arizona is more than that received in the rest of the states. Another notable thing brought out of the report is the increase in the average price paid for wheat in the United States from 84 cents in 1914 to \$1.32 in 1915.

Hay, alfalfa, pasture, watermelons, but not cantaloupes, have been improving during 1915 over the conditions taken for the past seven years. The conditions of cantaloupes fell off from 90 to 87 per cent.

Prices to Producers, Ariz. U. S. Wheat, per bu., June 1, \$1.75 \$1.32
Corn, per bu., June 1, 1.33 77.9
Oats, per bu., June 1, .85 .513
Potatoes, per bu., June 1, 1.06 .50.8
Hay, per ton, June 1, 14.00 12.00
Eggs, per doz., June 1, .28 .16.8

CHINESE STOCKHOLDERS PURCHASE MASCOG STOCK

TUCSON, June 14—That a group of Chinese stockholders, headed by Woo Ting Fang, former Chinese ambassador to the United States, had purchased stock in the Mascot mine at Masco to the amount of \$235,000. N. G. Poon Chow, managing editor of the Chung Sui Yat Pao, a Chinese daily published in San Francisco, is also a stockholder in the company.

DEVELOPMENT AT COMMONWEALTH

The Commonwealth Extension now has close to seven feet of good ore which was entered recently and on which they are going 15 feet further since the report of Sunday a week ago, when they had five feet in the breast. Over the dump there has been put about twelve tons of ore from the development which makes an average of \$20.50 to a ton. The development of the last week has brought no decrease in values in the ore, which are holding about where they were, with whatever change there is on the side of increase.

Consideration is now being given the installations of air drills in the mine in order to hasten the work which will be prosecuted on a lower level to determine whether the ore goes down, as soon as it has proven to hold the fifteen feet they are now running. The belief grows that they have come into an exceedingly good thing in this ore and that it has good show for making another Commonwealth.

30th Human. Bureau of municipal research are supposed to know just how to make things run smoothly, but it seems that they are not all endowed with facilities for producing perfect peace and efficiency among themselves.

Who Wrote the Constitution? It is generally understood that James Madison was the chief author of the Constitution of the United States. He had a doubt the great instrument was the joint product of the entire convention, but from the best accounts Madison was the man who put it into shape as we have it today.

CHARGED WITH VIOLATION OF PURE FOOD LAW

TUCSON, June 14—Complaints against thirteen Tucson milkmen, icecream sellers, and butchers were sworn out by State Chemist Dr. C. A. Meserve yesterday before Justice Comstock on charges with violating the state pure food law.

Complaints against icecream dealers alleged that the butter fat content was too low, and complaints against the milk sellers alleged that the butter fat content was below the limit of the state law, and against several it was alleged that the milk contained a "fitty decomposed, putrid, animal substance."

One complaint was filed against a local butcher alleging that a sample of pork sausage from the shop was in violation of the state pure food law as it had water and cereal substituted for pork.

Seven complaints were issued against milk dealers in Cochise county for violations of the pure food law, chiefly that the butter fat content was too low. Six dealers were located in Bisbee and one in Lowell.

COCHISE COUNTY IS OUT FOR GOOD ROADS

PHOENIX, June 13—A comprehensive survey of road conditions in Cochise county, with a view to determining the amount of proposed bond issue, is now being made and will, when completed, cover the needs of every portion of the county, according to State Engineer Lamar Cobb, who attended a meeting of the County Bond association at Tombstone this week. Delegates from all parts of the county were given maps of the proposed county highway system, with the instructions to return to their several precincts and secure an expansion from the people of the improvements needed in that district. The delegates will report at the meeting at Bisbee, June 21.

"A bond issue of from \$500,000 to \$1,000,000 or more is now being advocated," said the state engineer yesterday. "Many of those who attended the meeting were in favor of a million dollar bond issue for good roads; others advocated even more."

JIMMY WELCH PAINTS NACO, SONORA, RED

Naco, Sonora, was shot up Sunday afternoon by Jimmie Welch, said to be an honor man from Florence and wanted by the officers on this side of the line, where he was arrested as he crossed over from Mexico with smoking revolver in hand.

Agents brought from Naco state that Welch shot at two Mexicans and beat others over the head with his gun, before he made for the international boundary, where he was arrested by Deputy Sheriffs Johnny Newell and Harry Rafferty and lodged in jail.

MRS. C. M. BOWEN PASSES AWAY

This morning about five o'clock, Mrs. C. M. Bowen, wife of C. M. Bowen, proprietor of the Tombstone Dining Parlors passed away at the family residence after an illness of several weeks.

Mrs. Bowen has been ill for some time, and up until the last moment it was thought that she would recover. However yesterday matters turned to the worse and this morning she died.

The Bowens have been residents of Tombstone for the past six or eight months having come here from Bisbee, and during this time they have made friends who are pained to hear of the untimely end, leaving motherless two small children beside a devoted husband to mourn her loss.

Funeral arrangements have not yet been made.

Health Hint. If you fall out of a window fall up instead of down.

GLEESON HAPPENINGS FOR THE PAST WEEK

GLEESON, June 11.—E. M. Brown and Constable Clifton motored to the county seat this week with a prisoner for the county jail.

Harry A. Bishop, the insurance agent from Tombstone was a visitor in Gleeson on business.

Dr. Schell, the eye specialist, was in Gleeson for a few days this week.

G. I. Van Meter motored to McNeal on business.

Tom Cole and Walter Newberry made a pleasure trip to Wilcox this week.

Frank Bishop of Douglas, is visiting in Gleeson with his grandmother Mrs. M. Lannon.

Two Mexicans got into a fight a few days ago, and one made a poorly aimed swing at the other with an axe. The Mexican says that although he has no fears of a deadly combat, he was somewhat loath about taking a chance on going the "chicken route."

INDIANS MUSTERED IN NATIONAL GUARD

PHOENIX, June 13—Sixty-five graduates of the government Indian school here, will be mustered in a company of the Arizona National Guard Saturday. Five years of training has made them expert riflemen and scouts, and they speak all the Indian dialects as well as English and Spanish. The new company will be the first Indian military organization in the state.

HUACHUCAS IDEAL SUMMER RESORT

About twenty devotees of the "art terpsichore" autored from Tombstone to Ramsey Canyon Saturday night to attend the opening ball of the Fletcher Summer Resort at Berner's ranch. About a hundred people were present from Tombstone, Bisbee and Douglas and other parts of the county and everybody had a fine time, the opening was an auspicious event and Mrs. Fletcher is to be congratulated on what promises to be the best season in the history of the Summer Amusement Park.

There is no reason why Arizona people should go to the coast when such an excellent opening to all is near at hand and where for the price of a railroad ticket to the coast, a couple of weeks can be spent enjoying the beauties of nature and inhaling the good old "pine top" perfume that is so good for the lungs; do mountain climbing, and its some climb, for Miller Peak and Carr Peak are both nearly ten thousand feet high, admire scenery that is not equaled in any of the mountains of Europe, drink water that comes from the purest source in the world—we might go on but Mr. reader, why not see America first and start with a trip to Ramsey Canyon?

PAPAGOS TO GET REWARD TO STEP FROM STATE TO STATE

TUCSON, June 13—There are many indications that at last the Papago Indians are to be recognized by the government in a substantial way. It is reported here that a larger reservation is to be set aside for them and the head agency will be established at Ipidjan Oasis while San Xavier will be made a sub-agency. If success attends the efforts of those who are urging the plan to give more reservation land the Papagos these Indians will have what will be undoubtedly the largest Indian reservation in the United States.

TO STEP FROM STATE TO STATE

Do you know the only place in the United States where it is possible for each of the four legs of a stool to stand on a different state.

It is Four Corners, an imaginary town, but a very real piece of soil might take place in a town built on this site. A fugitive from Justice might skip from one state to another in a second. Extradition lawyers could reap a harvest. The only reason a city has never grown up at Four Corners is because the land is undeveloped and remote from railroads.

Recently a unique religious service was held on Four Corners by four Episcopal clergymen, Bishop Brewster of Colorado standing on the soil of his state, Bishop Howden of New Mexico standing on the New Mexico angle, Bishop Smith stationed in Arizona and Bishop Paul Jones in Utah yet all within arms length of each other.

"THOU SHALT NOT TRIM THY WHISKERS ON SUNDAY"

"Whiskers" Francis had his leading yesterday. The Francis law, which compels the closing of barber shops on Sunday went into effect June 11th.

Two of our shops kept open and the third one closed according to Hoyle, but a word from Chief of Police Bravin caused the other two to "lay down the blade."

"Whiskers" is the name given to Hon Charles T. Francis after his bill passed the legislature, before that he was called the "Barber of Seville," but when he said through his law "Thou shalt not trim thy whiskers on Sunday and do it lawfully in a public shop" he was dubbed "Whiskers" Francis.

At any rate many people will remember Francis as the man who some time ago said the Cochise county court house was about to fall down, if it was not falling at the time he was speaking. But a few weeks later he got a job of drawing three bones a day for acting as a juror for his county and he never missed a pay day nor did he fail to report daily, and evidently as strong as the rock of Gibraltar.

But back to whiskers and hair cuts—they are "m" on Sundays now, and the only course if you fail to get in before midnight Saturdays is "safety first."

LOSES APPEAL FROM LIFE SENTENCE

PHOENIX, June 12—David P. Roberts, sentenced for life for the murder of Con Sullivan, lost his case on appeal yesterday, when the supreme court handed down a decision affirming the judgement of the superior court of Gila county, in which Roberts was convicted. Sullivan was killed in 1909 in Graham county, and the case was tried in the Gila county court on a change of venue.

Other cases in which the decision of the lower courts were affirmed yesterday were: John W. Faulkner, appellant, vs. the board of supervisors of Gila county, appellants, and the case of the Leadville Mining company vs. George E. Hemphill, an appeal from the superior court of Cochise county. The action concerned rights in the Turquoise mining district. Judge Cunningham specially concurred.

The supreme court yesterday denied motions for rehearing in the following cases:

- 1433—H. C. Morrell vs. the City of Phoenix.
- 1433—R. R. Earhart, treasurer, vs. Frank Powers et al.
- 1414—Town of Tempe vs. C. A. Corbell.
- 1427—J. R. Brought vs. Pierrepoint Minor.
- 1412—T. R. Brandt vs. W. K. Mead.
- 1418—M. J. Edwards vs. Dealers' Ice & Cold Storage Company.

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FIRE DESTROYS BARN ON WARREN RANCH

BISSOP, June 14.—Fire which broke out at 9:30 this morning destroyed the barn on the Warren ranch. Loss is estimated at about \$1,000 was on the building. No stock was in the barn at the time. Harness and tools in the building were got out after the fire was discovered. A small quantity of hay and grain kept in the barn for daily feeding was lost.

Origin of the fire is unknown. The hay lot, where it started, is carefully watched against tramps. It is thought a match may have been carried in by a rat. The structure was of adobe with iron roof. Inside construction was of wood. The barn will be rebuilt at once.

BIG MINING DEAL CLOSED AT JEROME

PRESCOTT, June 14—Arrivals from Jerome state it is current report that a huge sale of the Hull Copper company holdings is being ratified, and the visit of Senator W. A. Clark at this particular time is for that purpose. This deal is a United Verde transaction and will run, it is believed, close to \$1,000,000. Nothing official, however, has been given publicity as yet as to the nature of this transaction, but it is stated that there is but little doubt of final matters being closed up for taking over these well established copper properties, embracing over twenty-five claims, and which will join the United Verde.

The principal stockholder of the Hull company is George W. Hull, who is also identified with the Cleopatra, which has been operating for several months under a lease and option to purchase by a South syndicate which was represented by F. S. Stephen. Senator Clark remains at Jerome and Clarkdale, his present trip being longer than usual, and probably due to the mining deal and to make a careful inspection of his new smelting plant.

ANGELINOS NOW FOR BORDERLAND

Slowly but surely, Los Angeles is taking its medicine and accepting the fact that the Borderland automobile route, regardless of the fact that it first reaches San Diego from the east, is the best and only all-the-year route from the east to the Southern California metropolis.

Even in recognizing it, the Los Angeles motorists will go, but they admit that it is best. Here is a story about the route from the Los Angeles Tribune which calls it the "Ocean to Ocean" highway.

"Evidence of great activity in road improvement along the line of the Ocean-to-Ocean highway was discovered everywhere by the representatives from the Los Angeles Chamber of commerce and the Automobile club of Southern California who made the trip to Yuma recently in the Peckard Cactus Kate, to attend the opening of the great bridge over the Colorado.

"The bridge itself is the most important single piece of work so far accomplished in the improvement of the Ocean-to-Ocean route. It is a single steel span of 307 feet and forever eliminates the picturesque, but decidedly inconvenient, ferry by which motorists formerly crossed the muddy waters of the Colorado at Yuma.

"East of Yuma much work is in progress on the transcontinental route. Yuma county has disposed of her \$500,000 good roads bond issue and bridges across the Gila river will materially shorten the distance between Yuma and Phoenix.

"On the homeward trip, Cactus Kate followed the road over the sand dunes to Holtville and thence via Mountain Springs grade and San Diego. The rugged hills through which this road passes and the wonderful view of the Imperial valley from the summit of Mountain Springs grade combine to make this one of the most remarkable scenic trips to be found anywhere in California.

FARMERS' MEETING AT COCHISE STRONGHOLD

On the evening of June 1 an elaborate get together farmers' meeting was held at the Stronghold schoolhouse, about six miles northwest from Pearce.

The farmers of this community, as in the case throughout most of the Sulphur Spring Valley, are very much interested in livestock, particularly beef and dairy cattle. A creamery for the Valley is a much talked of project and a subject of much interest. Mr. Barnes very ably presented some practical ideas and guiding pointers on how to start a dairy farm and creamery. The people quickly understood that Mr. Barnes was familiar with the subject and knew what he was talking about. They manifested much confidence and interest. Many questions were asked. The points of especial value, emphasized by Mr. Barnes were the production of feed, necessity of pit silos, having the stock, having dairy-cows care of calves, breeds, quantity and quality of outputs, creamery output. He stated that a good dairy and creamery would be just the thing for the people, but advised that they do not go too hastily without first understanding some of the main principles necessary for success.

This is a movement, which, if properly carried out would mean a great deal to not only the farmers but everybody of the Valley, Douglas and Bisbee included. It should have the interest and backing of the whole people.

MASCO CELEBRATION A GRAND SUCCESS

June 15 marked another epoch making period in the industrial progress of Cochise county and Arizona for on that date the town of Masco in the Dos Cabezas mountains was born and completed their linking the outside world with the remoteness of Dos Cabezas and joining the Masco mine with the world of commerce by an all rail route.

It was about eight years ago that Capt. J. N. McCauley went into the Dos Cabezas mountains and began the development of what yesterday culminated three things: a producing copper mine, a new town and a new railroad; and all Arizona and the west take their hats off to the persevering gentleman who at noon yesterday drove the copper spike that completed the rail line and started a train of five cars of copper ore on its way to the smelter.

Mr. McCauley had prepared a two day celebration for the public, and the stockholders with music, dancing, barbecue, Apache Indian dances etc., and his guests were from all over the Union, as was shown by about twenty Pullmans from Frisco, Chicago, Boston, El Paso and Tucson, and the homefolks, to the number of over two thousand were there, including a good representation from Tombstone. Masco, bringer of good luck, an excellent name for a mining town, situated on a sleeping site, is next to Tombstone for location. It lies adjoining the old camp of Dos Cabezas below the mine about ten thousand feet, at the end of the aerial trolley which brings the ore from the mine to the railroad. An excellent wagon road from Masco through Pearce, Courtland and Gleeson to Tombstone and the mileage is exactly 55 miles.

It is said that while thousands of dollars have been spent on the Masco mine and railroad, yet not one dollar has been spent which came from the pockets of Arizonians, and the work of development and building has all been done therefore by outside capital.

Big Things in America. Talk about cathedrals. The biggest in the world is in St. Louis, U. S. A., and the biggest office building in the world is the Railway exchange, in the same city. The biggest skyscraper in the world when it comes to height is the little old Woolworth in New York.

The Destructive Auto. An increase in parasitical diseases among poultry and game birds in England is attributed to the distribution of dust through air by automobiles.—Houston Post.