

# The Guardian

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## COUNTY SEAT REMOVAL

The contest for the county seat is making good headway. Meetings have been reported held in Pima and Thatcher the past week and both towns have got out petitions for signatures.

Safford still leads as the favorite with the people of the county and it is becoming more apparent every day that the metropolis of the Gila valley should be selected as the county seat of Graham county.

The petition committee finds no difficulty in securing signatures and the full quota of names, as required by the county removal law will be obtained.

The petitions must be filed with the clerk of the board of supervisors in time for two week's publication of the clerk's notice before the meeting of the board of supervisors, and all petitions will undoubtedly be in the hands of the clerk by next Monday.

## A LIVE BUNCH

The Safford Chamber of Commerce is accomplishing things because they are a bunch of live ones and believe in carrying out plans for betterments in town and valley in quick time.

Strike while the iron is hot. Nothing doing waiting for the other fellow to think it over. Energy and common sense produce results and that is why Safford, through its Chamber of Commerce, is a progressive town; why it is doing things to make it one of the most progressive towns in the State.

## SULLY'S COLUMN

Attractive signs have been placed at each entrance to the Chamber of Commerce office, and they will be of help to auto parties and strangers in locating our office for information.

The Graham county advertisement, which was running in the Arizona Magazine, seems to have reached a class of people that are only interested in government land; letters of this kind are very seldom productive of any new corners. The man who has located government land and knows the hardships connected with it, is well satisfied to come and invest his money in a country where he can see the result of other people's work and be sure of his investment. This is the class of settlers that we need and must have in order to grow and get full value out of our valley.

Ranchers in the Gila valley will do well to keep in touch with the Chamber of Commerce office if they have any good horses for sale. D. L. Ridgway has been corresponding with a Fort Worth, Texas, firm who are buying horses for foreign governments, and a buyer is expected here in a few days to look our valley over in regard to horses that will weigh better than 1,100 pounds, 16 to 18 hands high, 5 to 9 years old, good heavy bone. Anyone in the valley who has horses that will come up to this standard should write or call on the secretary at once.

THE GUARDIAN is now on file at the Chamber of Commerce office, also papers from many other cities. You, perhaps, don't know that the Chamber of Commerce office is one of the best places in the town to get posted on what is doing around the State and right here in Safford. Our office is a real cozy and is a credit to the town. Government papers of all kinds are now on file and the secretary would appreciate it if more people would take advantage of some of these things, which were only secured after a great deal of corresponding.

Joe Stratton, E. W. Ralphs and J. D. Goodman are the new members to the fold this week. Will your name be in here next week? It ought to be if you are a real live wire and live in Safford. Some are only staying here because of the nice weather. Where do you stand? We are going to give

# Millinery

## LADIES' AND MISSES'

# Trimmed

# Hats

### WILL BE PLEASED TO SHOW THEM

## SOLOMON COMMERCIAL CO.

SAFFORD

"Most Up-to-Date Store in the Valley"

## FORT THOMAS

Anent the universal peace treaties, why not try one of them on Tae No Gat?

School election notices have been posted for the annual election of trustees.

The new amusement hall is being rapidly pushed to completion by the contractor in charge, G. H. Wyatt.

The public school has been temporarily closed on account of a threatened epidemic of measles.

Propos the adjoined condition of the initiative in Arizona, another warning is due the Yaie law class.

Ex-President Roosevelt offers to raise a regiment and Ex-President Taft says, "stand by the president." That fool query, "what shall we do with our ex-presidents?" Abas! avant!

The true causes of the war succinctly stated by Judge H. Meade Woods, include the German subservency of the spiritual to materialism, the British preponderance of imperturbability over emotionalism, the French ascendancy of sensualism above aestheticism, and the prevodka-ridden monarchial condition of the Russian peasantry.

A mercantile venture is projected on the Fort Thomas Milling Company's site, one-half mile east of town, to handle the growing trade of the Redland farming district. A store building and warehouses are under consideration. Rumor has it that George W. Healey is back of the enterprise, which assures its success.

The Southern Arizona National Highway, Lordsburg, via Duncan to Safford; the Sulphur Springs valley connection, Wilcox, via Fort Grant, and Artesia to Safford; the Pinal mountain connection, Bowie, via Tanque to Safford; all the roads lead to Boston. Geronimo wants connection, too, via Ft. Thomas. Anything doing?

The air is clarifying, Dr. J. E. Stacey, who invested here some years ago, sees no reason to regret it. Louis V. Voelkel is inclined to retain his holdings under the present conditions.

Notice is taken of the liberality of contributions towards the building of the new Klondyke road. This is even as it should be. Public roads are the great arteries of trade and a neighborly feeling is more to be esteemed than pearls and rubies. Our Klondyke friends are assured that Ft. Thomas will connect with the new road from a point above the Arbor Vitae ranch. Concerted action is contemplated.

A plan for school district consolidation has been submitted by L. J. Brown. The districts concerned comprise Redland, Fort Thomas and Emery. It is proposed to build a substantial school building at Fort Thomas, the central district, and transport children living at distant points. An efficient graded school and superior facilities would result. Mr. Brown has had this matter in view ever since his location here and is enthusiastic over its inception.

## THATCHER NEWS

The many friends of Mrs. Lora Skousen are glad to see her well enough to be out again.

Jesse Phillips and family went to Franklin Sunday for a few days' visit with relatives.

LeRoy C. Snow was laid up for two days last week suffering with rheumatism. We are glad to see him out again.

Word comes that George Clawson, one of Thatcher's prominent young men, who is attending the University at Tucson, has been married to a Miss Bingham, of Binghamton, N. Y.

W. W. Pace made a trip to El Paso last week as a member of the committee to confer with the Texas Sanitary Board in regard to the quarantine against hay from the Gila valley.

The domestic science girls of the Academy have made themselves reputations as cooks this week. They sold luncheon a couple of days and after the first effort, the demand was much greater than the supply.

Evans Coleman returned from Phoenix the latter part of the week, where he went in the interest of the tailings question.

Mr. and Mrs. Drollinger, of Tempe, arrived here Saturday evening to visit for a few weeks with relatives in the valley.

The musical given as the last number of the M. I. A. Lyceum course, took place at the Academy chapel, Saturday evening. It was greatly enjoyed by a large audience.

John McClelland, with his two small sons, came up from Miami Saturday. The boys will visit with their grandparents a few weeks, while Mr. McClelland returns to Miami the fore part of the week.

Miss Edna Holden, of Stanley, is here for a few days visit with her sister, Miss Mary Holden.

The members of the Relief Society were entertained by the Relief Society teachers of districts one and two. While a spicy program was carried on, the ladies made two quilts and sewed carpet racks. Cake and cocoa were served. Sixty-five members were in attendance.

Miss Izetta Cliff has returned from Globe, after spending a week there visiting with relatives.

The Thatcher Pharmacy, under the management of Al Stevens, has been moved from the Seth Hoopes' building to the new Damron building, across the street.

George, the ten-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Ball, died Monday of heart trouble, having been a sufferer for several years. Funeral services were held at the home Tuesday afternoon, with a large crowd in attendance.

R. W. Smith, with his daughter, Miss Edna, came down from Solomonville Friday, to attend the wrestling and boxing matches and the dance that followed.

## PIMA NEWS

Bert Jessup, of Morenci, is a business visitor in town this week.

The masquerade ball, which was given Friday evening, was a grand success. A large number of people took part and a prize of \$2.50 in cash was given to best part taken by a lady and gentleman.

man. Miss Blanche Dodge received the ladies' prize for representing the part of an old maid and Odice Ferren the gent's prize for representing the part of a tramp.

Mrs. Clarence Davis and three little children left for Globe Sunday to join her husband, who has secured employment there.

H. J. Anderson had the misfortune to lose one of his best milk cows Sunday, while away from home.

Mrs. Clarassie Norton is home again, after spending several weeks in Fairview, nursing Mrs. James Matthews.

The whooping cough seems to have got a good start in our town. About a dozen or more cases have been reported.

J. H. Nuttall and two sons made a business trip to Ft. Thomas Sunday.

The mutual of the Pima ward has the choruses and quartets organized and are busy practicing for the contests to be held in the near future.

R. E. L. Wixon gave an interesting lecture on "Men Choosing Agriculture as a Vocation," last Sunday evening at the conjoint meeting of the Y. M. and Y. W. U. A.

Mrs. Caroline Teeple is able to be up and around again after a serious illness of several weeks.

Rueben Bryce's hay barn was burned to the ground last Thursday, destroying all his hay and damaging his grain, which was also stored in the barn. The fire was started by his little boy, who was playing with matches. Mr. Bryce was in bed suffering from an attack of pleurisy at the time of the fire.

## KLONDYKE NEWS

J. J. McDonald started work Thursday morning on the cut-off road to the river. Mr. McDonald says that he sees some troubles ahead, but that a good road can be made and cheap, too, and the writer agrees with him on that part, as he is familiar with every inch of the proposed road, also what it would take to repair the present road, and as to the cost, it would be more than covered by the distance saved in favor of the new road. So let us all get busy and build the new road as proposed by those who know best where it should be, and if there is any sentiment against it, let us get together and reason out our differences and investigate thoroughly and be sure that we are not out on a wild goose chase. The writer intends to show the boosters' party over the new road Sunday and will also be glad to show them over the old as well.

Work is progressing rapidly at the Grand Reef and everything looks as though they really mean business.

There are eleven loads of freight on the road from Fairview and a lot more on the way somewhere from California points, which will be unloaded at the same place and freighted over by teams.

Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Wilson went to El Paso to attend the Cattlemen's Convention.

H. J. Dowdle and son, Frank, and wife, and Geo. H. Birdno left Friday morning for Safford in their new Hupmobile.

C. E. Chambers has a working crew on the road and is putting sand on the road in front of Dan Roten's place, which will be a great help, as it has been almost impassable on account of the recent rains.

The Aravaipa Cattle Growers' Association will hold its annual meeting at Klondyke, March 11th. According to the by-laws, they are supposed to meet on the 3rd, but in order that some might go to El Paso, the meeting was postponed until March 11th.

Jay Rex and Dr. Parker left here Tuesday morning for a business trip to Safford.

Supervisor Quinn and Mr. Purdy left here Monday for Safford and the lower valley in their Ford. Snow cuts no figure with them.

Frank Wootan has a regular hospital for cripples at his home. Two of the children are down with sprained ankles. Edward has been out of school for nearly two weeks and his little daughter had the misfortune to be run over by an automobile, resulting in severe bruises on her limbs.

## WRESTLING AND BOXING

E. W. Clayton, A. H. Ferrin, Dr. McWhirt, Dr. Martin and Joe Sullivan, of Safford, all boosters of the Chamber of Commerce, attended the wrestling and boxing matches at Thatcher, Friday night. A. Farnsworth won his wrestling bout after a hard struggle, losing his first fall in two minutes to Bailey Woods.

He came back strong and won the next two falls in three and four minutes, respectively. Alma Tate was awarded the boxing match in the third round, G. Farnsworth being unable to continue. On the advice of Dr. Martin, Referee Joe Sullivan stopped the bout.

## DEATH OF CHILD

Bertrum G., infant twin son of Mr. and Mrs. Gus Grossmiller, died Thursday, February 25th, at the home of his parents at Geronimo, Arizona, after a brief illness of pneumonia.

## CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our friends and neighbors for their kindness during the sickness and death of our infant son.

MR. AND MRS. G. GROSSMILLER AND FAMILY.

## AUCTION SALE

The bankrupt stock of J. T. White, which has been bought by S. T. Branham of Thatcher, consisting of groceries, provisions, hardware, jewelry, shoes, furnishing goods, etc. Will be sold at public auction, at White's old store, Thatcher, on Monday, March 15th, commencing at 10:00 a. m. These goods are clean reasonable goods, and will be offered at prices which will send competition glimmering, sweeping reductions all along the line. This will be the most noteworthy sale of its kind in this county has ever known—so remember the date and be on hand and secure your share of these remarkable values. See posters.

LAWSON, Auctioneer.



## REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE BANK OF SAFFORD

At Safford, in the State of Arizona, at the close of business, March 4, 1915.

### RESOURCES

Loans and discounts, less due from directors	\$246,055.80
Due from directors	4,180.00
Overdrafts	2,330.48
State, county and municipal bonds	21,000.00
Other bonds, stocks, securities, etc.	2,292.35
Banking house, furniture and fixtures	8,373.30
Real estate	1,000.00
Current expenses and taxes paid	2,685.90
Special	\$10,298.65
Legal tender and national bank notes	8,846.43
Exchanges for clearing	412.48
Other cash items	345.75
Due from state and national banks, approved reserve agents	58,338.08
Due from state and national banks, not reserve agents	3,226.55
Total	\$61,467.94

### LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in	\$33,000.00
Surplus	20,000.00
Undivided profits	11,860.82
Individual deposits subject to check	\$260,534.60
Demand certificates of deposit	37,163.93
Cashier's checks outstanding	6,796.42
Total	\$369,355.77

State of Arizona, )  
County of Graham, ) ss:  
I, E. W. Clayton, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

E. W. CLAYTON, Cashier.  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 11th day of March, 1915.  
LEE N. STRATTON, Notary Public.  
My commission expires Mar. 2, 1916.  
Correct-Attest:

L. E. SOLOMON,  
PH. FRENCHENTHAL,  
W. W. ELLSWORTH,  
A. H. FERRIN,  
Directors.

## REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE CITIZENS BANK

At Thatcher, in the State of Arizona, at the close of business, Thursday, March 4, 1915.

### RESOURCES

Loans and discounts, less due from directors	\$70,749.47
Due from directors	2,450.00
Overdrafts	183.67
Other bonds, stocks, securities, etc.	450.00
Banking house, furniture and fixtures	8,398.05
Real estate	1,500.00
Current expenses and taxes paid	4,775.33
Special	\$3,815.81
Legal tender and national bank notes	1,017.00
Exchanges for clearing	34.19
Other cash items, revenue stamps	15.00
Due from state and national banks, approved reserve agents	12,826.58
Due from state and national banks, not reserve agents	3,415.88
Total	\$21,124.46

### LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in	\$18,000.00
Surplus	10,000.00
Undivided profits	4,218.76
Individual deposits subject to check	\$52,230.93
Time certificates of deposits	3,807.04
Cashier's checks outstanding	999.50
Bills rediscounted	\$57,037.47
Total	\$109,630.98

State of Arizona, )  
County of Graham, ) ss:  
I, L. C. Snow, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that

# Spring Millinery OPENING

# AT KRUPP'S SAFFORD

## SATURDAY, MARCH 20

Under management of Miss Margaret Long All the Latest Eastern Styles

# HATS

The Ladies are invited to attend this Spring Millinery Opening

## "A Guaranteed Laugh Show"

BRIER'S HALL---ONE NIGHT ONLY SUNDAY, MARCH 21st THE U. S. PLAY CO. OFFERS THE MUSICAL FARCE COMEDY SUCCESS

# "The Only Way"

By JOS. HOWARD Built for Laughter Only In Three Screaming Acts Prices, 75c and 50c; Children, 25c

# Overdrafts Not Legal

A recent decision of the Courts declared that overdrafts are not legal and that a bank official paying a check against an account with a balance insufficient to cover, is guilty of a misapplication of funds.

We have been instructed to discontinue the practice of allowing customers to overdraw their accounts, so don't blame your banker if he refuses payment on your check when the funds are not sufficient to meet the amount.

## THE GILA VALLEY BANK & TRUST CO. THE BANK OF SAFFORD, THE CITIZENS BANK, Thatcher, Arizona

the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
L. C. SNOW, Cashier.  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10th day of March, 1915.  
WILLIAM MCRAE, Notary Public.  
My commission expires July 30, 1916.  
Correct-Attest:  
FRANK TYLER,  
M. LINES,  
H. J. ANDERSON,  
Directors.

## For Sale

Seed sweet potatoes—Yellow Nancmond, Jersey or Southern Queen, \$2.50 per 100 pounds. Sweet potato, cabbage or tomato plants, 35 cents per 100; \$3.00 per 1,000; \$25.00 per 10,000, f. o. b. Deming. Address, J. C. INGRAM, Deming, N. M. adv-34t

J. M. Marlow, special agent Standard Oil Co., at Nogales, Arizona, arrived here Sunday and purchased a team of draft horses for the company station which is being built at Nogales. Mr. Marlow returned to Nogales Wednesday.

Best Treatment for Constipation "My daughter used Chamberlain's Tablets for constipation with good results and I can recommend them highly," writes Paul B. Babin, Brushy, La. For sale by Safford Drug Co. adv-34t



## COMING MARCH 21, 22 AND 23

Dr. W. H. Sargent, the well known and popular optometrist of the West, Bros. Optical Co., Denver, will be in Safford on his regular trip, at Hotel Olive, three days, Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, March 21st, 22nd and 23rd. If there is anything the matter with your eyes, don't neglect them when you can have them examined accurately and scientifically and get good ground glasses from an exclusive established optical house, whose reputation and equipment gives you the highest grade of service. The satisfaction of our work is well known to the many people of Safford and vicinity, who have received our services during the past twelve years we have visited here.

Remember the Dates, Hotel Olive, Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, March 21, 22 and 23. NOTE—We will also visit Solomonville, Saturday, March 20th; Thatcher, Wednesday and Thursday, March 24th and 25th; and Pima, Friday, March 26th.

New Spring Millinery AT MRS. L. M. GUSTAFSON'S Latest styles at popular prices. Your call will be appreciated. Ask to see the Millinery Trade Review of Fashion. Pima, Arizona