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WILLIAMS AND COUNTY DIVISION

THE News has no desire whatever to enter into any meaningless harangue with the Coconino Sun. Someone changed the county division bill between its exit from the conference committee and the time of its entrance to the throne of Hun. The editor of The Coconino Sun admits the change probably was made. Senator Roberts declares it emphatically. Assemblyman Thomas Maddock, with Senator Roberts, was a member of the conference committee and he leaves no doubt about the ten and seventy-five per cent features being in the bill.

Why was it changed by the elimination of the ten and seventy-five per cent features? Who would be the greatest beneficiaries of that change, providing it brought about the defeat of county division? Where did the referendum petition, having for its object the indefinite postponement, and finally, the defeat of bill, have its inception? Who is the man who went on a junket throughout Southern Arizona, hailed by the Tucson papers as assessor of Coconino county, telling his pitiful tale of the paucity of population and resources in Coconino as a means of persuading citizens of the Old Pueblo and elsewhere to be charitable to the clique which has ruled Coconino with an iron hand, grabbing this and exploiting that, loaning money at usurious rates to farmers, sheepmen and cattlemen who had no other choice than to pay the interest and take a desperate chance or refuse to pay and have no chance at all?

The conditions in Coconino are not secret. Everyone understands how at least one great fortune has been built up in this northern section of Arizona. Everyone understands just how that great influence prides itself on its grinding propensity, on its power to dictate this, and dominate that; to threaten ridicule, ruin, anything and everything to anybody and everybody who dares get in the way of the juggernaut.

So the attitude of the Coconino Sun is no mystery. It is just a little remnant away out here on the edge of the west of that spirit which Uncle Joe Cannon epitomized as standing pat. If reports are to be believed, the editor of The Coconino Sun had an early and efficient training in the political school of Danville. But after a score of years of Cannonism beridden Danville at last rose up and spewed out the most striking descendant of Methuselah the United States ever has known.

"To hell with progress; let well enough alone," screamed Uncle Joe, and obedient to its masters, the Uncle Joe organ of Coconino, magpie like, pipes its echo. Well, humanity is moving on apace, and even as Danville rose up at last, took the machine by the throat and choked out its political life by relegating Cannon to defeat and political oblivion, so will Coconino rise up in the year of Our Lord, 1914 and relegate its Cannonism. The time comes in the history of every community when it gets away beyond a one man proposition. The failure of the Cannonism of Flagstaff, yes, the Cannonism of Coconino, to realize that the new regime of a real community has come and means to stay is the bitterness in the nut.

There are scores of independent citizens in Flagstaff who will read this little editorial, understand it thoroughly and sympathize accordingly. The News has been forced into a battle by the institution of the referendum against the county division bill, a measure honestly fought for and honestly won, by the representatives of the people in the state legislature. The Flagstaff referendum is surely going to have its Grand Canyon county initiative. The appeal will be made to a jury of the citizenship of Arizona. The issue will be one of selfish, sordid dollars against the desire of a rapidly growing community, one which possesses all the qualifications of an independent county government, to gain that independence. Danville was deemed impregnable by Cannon. It proved a house of cards.

THEY PROTEST SUFFRAGE---WHO?

ONE night last week some women in Newport, among whom one Mrs. Stuyvesant Fish was the leading spirit, gave what they termed a Mother Goose Spectacle as a protest against woman's suffrage. They gave a display of diamonds, silks, slit skirts, garters and discontent breeding vulgarity rivalling the scenes which marked the reign of Nero as the darkest, deepest and most dismal pit into which spirituality ever had been cast. The press accounts say that when the favored guests passed the portals of the mansion they forgot the earth and all there was in it for the night.

And for hours and hours those petted darlings of the vulgar rich danced beneath the beauty of thousands of subdued multi-colored lights, played they were children and so protested woman's suffrage, danced, and ate, and drank, gorged their fleshy cravings as a protest against the cries of a million toiling American women, women who by the brutality of men have been forced into industrial competition with them, and because they have been forced into that competition are crying out for the one thing which will bring them at last a mite of justice, the ballot.

God works in mysterious ways, His wonders to perform. The grasping tendencies of J. Pierpont Morgan and John D. Rockefeller have been the most powerful educational influences for the emancipation of mankind this world has ever known. We are not living in the days of Nero, but in the days of the fulfillment of the promise of a risen Christ. Out of the pit of Nero ascended the Truth which for nearly two thousand years has been lighting the way for humanity. Thought is God and only need to be used to bring about its triumph. Mrs. Stuyvesant Fish's ball has been heralded the world over to make people think.

MISSION OF THE CHAMBER

AT its meeting July 30, the Williams Chamber of Commerce elected for its officers men who are representatives of the best in the business life of the city. The new president, Robert Wente, is assistant general manager and one of the largest stockholders in the Saginaw and Manistee Lumber Co., the largest institution of its in the southwest; Judge Holub, the vice president, is cashier for the big Babbitt-Polson general merchandise house, and the treasurer is Manus Duffy, head of the big general merchandise house of Duffy Bros.

The officers are representative of the best civic spirit of the city. They realize the city of Williams has a splendid future before it, and the part the Chamber of Commerce must play in the development of that future. First of all the city ought to be cleaned up. Unsightly tumble down fences, garbage piles, weeds, rubbish scattered here and there throughout the city are not attractive to summer visitors. The Chamber should take in hand at once the matter of a general cleaning up.

Flies are not only a nuisance but a menace. They may be largely eradicated by concerted effort, and this movement should be directed by the Williams Chamber of Commerce.

The water company has promised that in the coming six months bonds the extent of \$150,000 will have been sold and the proceeds applied to the betterment of the water supply. It should be the business

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of the Chamber of Commerce to assist, morally, at least, the efforts of the company to dispose of its bonds and in the application of the proceeds to the betterment of water conditions. That the conditions are better this year than last, or the year before, or even five years past, does not justify any request that the people of Williams be satisfied with conditions as they are. The water from the city reservoir should be filtered and purified. No doubt it is healthy as it is, but the "pine cone" odor claimed for it by the company is not a magnet for summer tourists by any means. The Chamber of Commerce should take up the matter of publicity of the city's claims as a summer resort for all Arizona. Tell the world of this wonderful climate and scenery. Thousands will come next year if the world is told.

Bobby Burns' Blink.

Never run after a woman or a street car; there will be another one along in a few minutes. But the Bobby Burns' Transfer Co., is always on the job. They have buggies, surreys and saddle horses for the trip up Bill Williams mountain. Phone 61 day or night.

MISS ATKINS WILL TAKE UP HER MUSIC WORK HERE BEFORE SEPTEMBER

The News is pleased to announce it has received a communication from Miss Jessie Atkins, of Spirit Lake, Iowa announcing definitely she will be here not later than August 19 to make her permanent home and immediately begin the organization of her music classes.

As stated in a recent issue of The News, Miss Atkins is not only a very talented musician, and a very successful teacher, but a young woman of attractive personality and the highest social standing. Miss Atkins work as a concert pianist has attracted the most favorable notice from eastern musical critics. She is said to be an accompanist of unusual ability, a gift in itself of rare value to the piano teacher.

-Cool Weather at California Beaches

Why not spend August and September where cool sea breezes blow.

The sun and sand baths--and the daily plunge in the Pacific--will do wonders for You--

The expense is not great

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We would suggest:

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