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SIXTEEN THOUSAND DOLLAR DEAL IN CLOVIS REALTY

Largest Single Property Deal in the History of the Town,
Consummated This Week When the Kendall Dry
Goods Company Purchased the Singleton Block

It remained for Misses Lela and Nannie Kendall, who are the proprietors of the big Kendall Dry Goods Store, to make the largest single property deal ever yet announced in Curry County. It was definitely closed Monday, through the Scheurich Agency when the double front, two story brick building, owned by Geo. W. Singleton and which is occupied by Whiting's five and ten cent store and dry goods store and the Elks home and several offices on the upper floors, was sold to the above mentioned parties. The property is among the best located in Clovis, about midway in the central block on Main St. and has an east front of fifty feet.

The business of the Kendall Dry Goods Company had grown to such an extent during the last few years, that their old location was considered entirely too small to longer accommodate them and they had been contemplating securing larger and more commodious quarters for some time. They expect to occupy their new store building about March 1st and there will be no change in the building which was properly fitted up by Mr. Whiting except a few minor changes in shelving, counters, etc.

The fact that the Kendall Dry Goods Company have made such a heavy purchase of real estate shows that they have much confidence in the future of the country, and they should know conditions as they have been in business here since the beginning of the town. It should also serve to set at rest rumors that have been in circulation for some time past that they intended going out of business in the near future.

Back the Third Time

T. J. Fergusson will return in a few days from Inglewood, Tennessee, after an absence of some time. This is the third time that Mr. Fergusson has left New Mexico and returned again after declaring his intentions that he was "going for good." He has a fine claim near Black-tower.

An Honest Man

A Mr. Hudson, who is employed with Shipley Bros. Cattle Company, Wednesday found a pocket book containing \$112.85 and upon inquiry of the NEWS if anyone had advertised it as lost was informed that it belonged to Mrs. Ola Patchen. The money was returned to its owner.

Teachers' Meeting

The Curry County Teachers' Association met in Clovis at the school building last Friday and Saturday and had a very interesting meeting. Lateness in getting a report and lack of space prevents us from giving a full report this week.

Basket Ball

The Clovis and Hereford girls basket ball girls team play at the Clovis Arena Friday at 3:30. A good game is expected.

New Law Firm

The legal fraternity of Clovis is to be strengthened by the addition of the firm of Pardue and Reese, who have secured office rooms on north Main Street and are now moving their library and office furniture and fixtures here. Mr. Pardue, who established the Clovis Journal, about six years ago, has for the past three or four years been practicing at Fort Sumner, while Mr. Reese, who is located at Portales and who enjoys the distinction of being one of the foremost in the fraternity, has been a frequent visitor in Clovis and has represented many clients before the Courts of Curry County. He enjoys a wide practice both here and in Roosevelt County and an upright and exemplary young attorney. He will remain at the Portales office and Mr. Pardue will locate here.

Switchman Kerr Hurt

Switchman, Walter ("Skeet") Kerr, who has been employed by the Santa Fe for some time, was painfully if not dangerously hurt by being struck by an engine, while switching in the yards about 9 o'clock Tuesday morning. Kerr, who is only about 20 years of age, was on duty as switchman at the time of the accident, in which the occurrence was similar to that which caused the death of Hugh Wilson, a call boy, recently. Although details are lacking, an inquiry at the hospital reveals the fact that the injured switchman is not considered seriously wounded.

Biggs Boy Hurt

The five year old son of Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Biggs was seriously injured Monday when he fell from the upper porch of the Brown Hotel sustaining injuries from which he was unconscious until sometime Tuesday when he succeeded in regaining partial consciousness. It is now thought by Dr. Dillon, who was in attendance, that he will recover.

Moye Returns With Johnsey

Sheriff D. L. Moye returned the first of the week from Alva, Oklahoma, with John Johnsey who it will be remembered some time ago forged a check and had it cashed at Mandell's and another at Joe Sellars. He was given a year in the pen for the offense but later paroled. Recently he drew a draft from some town in Oklahoma on the Clovis National and was promptly arrested by the Oklahoma authorities and returned to serve his sentence. He used a different name in Oklahoma in drawing the draft than the one he used in the check forgeries at Clovis.

Judge W. H. Reese, of Portales, was a Clovis visitor Tuesday arranging for the opening of an office with J. E. Pardue. They secured rooms up stairs in the Jackson building.

George McLellan, who lives north of Texico, was in the city Tuesday on business. He reports conditions prosperous in his section and that many home-seekers are coming in.

Elfego Baca Shoots Man

El Paso, Tex., Feb 1—Elfego Baca, attorney and prominent Mexican-American politician of New Mexico, was held here today on a charge of murder in connection with the death by shooting last night of Celestino Otero, also known as Dr. Pedro Abeyta, an itinerant physician. Otero received his death wound after a pistol duel in which Baca said he first was shot through the coat.

The shooting occurred in a lonely part of El Paso's Mexican quarter. Baca said that Otero had visited him at an uptown hotel and asked for an interview at a certain saloon. He said that Otero was accompanied by a man whom he recognized as a former officer under General Salazar, now an independent operator in northern Mexico. Baca had been representing Salazar legally until Salazar's escape from a New Mexico jail and his flight across the line into Mexico where he has organized a small band in the Casas Grandes district.

Baca was a Republican candidate for congress.

The Libel Law

The bill to be introduced at this session of the legislature, degning libel and slander and for other purposes is a very fair one, fair to both publishers and the public. The truth can be made a part of the defense, and any action for libel against any New Mexico newspaper must be brought in the county where the paper is published. No one can possibly have any objections to that bill, unless indeed, it be some of those to whom the truth is at times very obnoxious. The newspapers of the state will keep a close watch on the bill and the legislator who votes against it must expect to have his motives questioned.—Pecos Valley News.

A Leading Evangelist to be in Clovis

The Rev. W. M. McIntosh, D. D. one of the strongest evangelists of the Methodist church will begin a meeting at the First Methodist church next Sunday, Feb. 7th. He will be assisted in the meeting by his singer, Lucien Anderson. The meeting will be in the nature of a union meeting and all the churches are invited to cooperate. The church people of Clovis are fortunate to secure such a strong and consecrated worker. There will not be a dry service in this meeting and all the churches will be in better condition when the meeting closes. Dr. McIntosh is in demand in many of the large cities and has dates now reaching many months ahead.

We invite the people of Clovis to attend these services.

J. H. Messer.

Market Report

(First of the week quotations)
Wheat (in car load lots) bu. \$1.35
Maize (bulk) per 100 lbs. 1.16 1-2
Kaffir " " " " 1.16 1-2
Feterita " " " " 1.16 1-2
Indian Corn (in bulk) bu. 75cts.
Cane Seed, per 100 lbs. \$1.00
Hens .08cts.
Turkeys 10cts.
Eggs 18cts.
Butter Fat 25cts.

The many friends of Dr. Scott are pleased to see him out again after receiving injuries in an auto accident and to learn that his family is rapidly recovering.

Good Roads Meeting

The executive committee of the Eastern New Mexico Good Roads Association met in Roswell Wednesday to take up active work. Those present were Judge G. A. Richardson, President; Fred W. James, of Clovis, Vice President; A. M. Hove, Secretary; J. P. Deen, Treasurer; Ed J. Neer, of Portales, S. I. Roberts, of Carlsbad and E. J. Carrington, of Roswell, county members of the committee. The forenoon session was given over to general discussion of the situation regarding probable road legislation, plan of work of the association, and the finances. In the afternoon session the following resolutions were adopted: 1. Resolved, that this association looks with disfavor on any change in the law governing the state engineer's office that will prevent the state engineer from consulting and advising with the county road boards of the county commissioners for the building and betterment of county roads.

2. Resolved that it is the belief of this association that all auto licenses and state road taxes should belong to the county in which they are collected. 3. Resolved, that we believe a road should be laid out from point on the state line south of Malaga in Eddy County to run in a northerly direction through the counties of Eddy and Chaves to Roswell, New Mexico and thence through Elida, Portales and Clovis to Texico on the Eastern New Mexico state line; this road to be surveyed by the state engineer and be located so as to accommodate the largest number of people along the route and be known as the Pecos Valley and Eastern New Mexico highway; and resolved further that the State legislature now in session be asked to designate said road as a state highway.

It was also decided to levy an assessment against the member counties as follows: Eddy \$50.00 Chaves \$100.00, Roosevelt \$50.00 Curry \$50.00 and Lincoln \$50.00. The money to be used to pay expenses of meetings and carry on a good roads publicity.

White Slave Case.

As mentioned in last week's issue of the NEWS, the four arrested at Texico, charged with White Slavery or a violation of the Mann act, waived preliminary hearing and were bound over to await the action of the federal grand jury which will meet in April. L. Hughes gave bond and returned to his home in Amarillo, as did Etta Vaughn who went back to her domicile in Texico. Richard Wisdom and Opal Jolly are in jail awaiting the arrival of the Deputy United States Marshall who is expected to arrive this week to escort them to Santa Fe where they will remain until court convenes.

W. H. Duckworth, W. I. Luikart and W. B. Cramer went as a committee from the Chamber of Commerce last Tuesday in the interest of the grain dealers, to Texico to study conditions. They succeeded in making arrangements with Lubbock Texas dealers to pay the same price for grain as is paid by Farwell buyers. They were accompanied by Mr. Zimmerman, of the Houston-Hart Lumber Company.

Dale Eyer denies that he is married but is ready for such engagements. Not too many applicants at once, please.

CLOVIS WILL HAVE AN- OTHER BIG DOUBLE STORE

New Firm Organized as Mandell Clothing and Dry Goods
Company Will Be Open for Business in Two
Stores About April First.

Railroad Locals

Monk and Comel Wallis are here from Amarillo visiting friends and relatives.

Roy McMillen has been promoted to timekeeper in the master mechanic's office in place of C. D. Wells.

Engine 1161, recently converted into an oil burner in Albuquerque shop, was here the first of the week enroute to Amarillo for service out of that point east. Engineer Jefferson and fireman Atkinson brought the engine from Belen.

J. G. Magee, who until about two years ago wielded a scoop on the Santa Fe out of Clovis, is spending a few days in our midst renewing old acquaintances. John is now delving into the mysteries of Blackstone in the Kansas City School of Law, Kansas City, Mo., and expects to be admitted to the bar soon. He had been in Santa Fe on legislative business.

Folks who have been accustomed to ambling down to the depot, particularly on Sunday, to see the choo-choo come in will have to "get up before breakfast" here after if they want to participate in this exciting event. Next Sunday, Feb. 7, the new time card takes effect and on and after that date the trains will be here between 6:30 A. M. and 8:10 A. M., except the plug, leaving here at 3:10 P. M. eastbound and the one arriving from the east at 1:00 A. M.

Claude D. Wells, for the past five years employed in the office of the master mechanic as timekeeper, resigned his position Feb. 1st, and will take up the simple life of a tiller of the soil, near Clau tell, N. M. Mr. Wells took up a claim there several years ago and now has a deed to the place. He has the farm nicely improved and stocked with a goodly supply of cattle, horses and hogs. Having unlimited faith in the great possibilities that are in store for those who engage in common-sense farming and stock raising in eastern New Mexico and being generously endowed by nature with grit and ambition to succeed in whatever he undertakes, we predict that Mr. Wells will in due time become one of the successful farmers of the Claudell community. We are sorry to lose Mr. Wells and his family and wish them happiness and prosperity in their new home.

Basket Ball

Two basket ball games were played in Clovis Friday and Saturday. In the first Clovis won from Melrose by a score of 23 to 6. In the second Shiloh won from Melrose by a score of 17 to 12. There was a good attendance of young folks at both games.

The contract for renovating the city hall will be let soon after the bids will be opened today. This work includes general repair, tinting, varnishing, painting etc. of the council chamber, clerks office, fire station and rooms.

As partially announced in last week's issue, the above mentioned firm have been duly organized; have leased the building adjoining the Mandell Clothing store and a representative is now in eastern markets buying goods. They will cut an archway as was done at Whiting's and will have dry goods on one side and clothing on the other. Mrs. Nelson, who has been employed in several of the big Clovis Dry Goods Stores and who enjoys a wide acquaintance, will have charge of the Dry Goods Department and the entire store will be under the management of Armond Mandell. Mrs. Nelson is now in St. Louis from which place she will go direct to New York City to purchase the stock which will be equal to any now in Curry County. All the parties interested in this new department store are well acquainted in Curry county and need no introduction on our part, but suffice it to say their success in business is only exceeded by their popularity.

School House Damaged

The high wind of Wednesday did slight damage to the Clovis High School building, blowing off a section of the brick and concrete work which enclosed the sign. It was fortunate that the children were all inside, as the falling bricks and concrete might have caused injury or death.

If there is any building in the city that should be securely constructed, it is a school house, and we hope that the directors will endeavor to see that the building is properly inspected and strengthened.

County Salaries

The salaries bill for Curry County officers has again been the bone of contention in the New Mexico legislature. The joint Committees of both houses have at last reached an agreement after what seemed almost a hopeless deadlock. The third class county as the bill now stands provides for officers salaries as follows: Commissioners \$500.00; Treasurer and Clerk \$3,150.00 each; Assessor \$3,150.00; Sheriff \$3,150.00; School Sup't. \$1,600.00. Agreement upon remaining officers pending.

It is thought that the assessed valuation in Curry County will put it in the second class and that the officers' salaries will therefore exceed these figures.

Santa Fe Entertainment.

A Reading Room Entertainment will be given by the Santa Fe at the First Baptist church on Monday evening Feb. 8. It is the O. A. C. Quartette, of Corvallis, Oregon.

This is one of the best glee Clubs in the country.

Boys Sentenced

Sheriff Moye and Deputy Thomas Wednesday arrested Bob Anderson and Dee Palmer on a charge of gambling. After hearing the evidence Judge Noble sentenced each to 10 days in jail and \$10.00 fine.