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BOND BUYERS PURLOIN LAP-ROBE**County Treasurer Parkes Locates Thief At Mills.**

Just after the bond sale at Mosquero last Saturday evening at the County Court House at Mosquero, our obliging and goodnatured County Treasurer had the misfortune of having his laprobe borrowed by one of the bond buyers and as in as much as he failed to get permission from Mr. Parkes for the use of the robe, the gentlemen had an experience that will remain to the front of his memory for many moons to come.

It appears that immediately after the bond sale a bunch of the unsuccessful bidders hired a car to take them to Raton so they could take the Santa Fe train at that place and in as much as it was getting somewhat cool in the evening one of the men surmised the fact that Mr. Parkes laprobe would do much to stave off the cold on the long 110 mile ride to the Pass city and as Ernest was busy in the office it was an easy matter to take the robe from the car and enjoy its comforts on the trip and everything went smoothly until Mr. Parkes went out to his car to start home for Mills and he too had an idea that the robe would be beneficial to him on his 35 mile trip home, but lo and behold Mr. robe was nowhere to be found and after a little questioning he found two or three men who had seen one of the bidders take the robe and Ernest's mind got busy right now and so did the telephone lines; they had passed thru Roy but Mills was still 10 miles farther and the Village Marshall at that place was called and he stopped the speeding car and made an investigation and there was Mr. robe tightly wrapped around those in the back seat who were enjoying its comforts little thinking that Mr. Law was after them. However they soon found out that someone had sure put the bunch in bad and at first they tried to lay it on the driver but the telephone cleared him in a minute and then it was up to Mr. Bondbuyer, no we mean bondbidder to make good and he began to explaining and convincing and claiming he had only borrowed the robe expecting to return it with the driver on the morrow, but these explanations were very unsatisfactory to Mr. Parkes but after Mr. bidder spent 30 minutes pleading on the phone Mr. Parkes who is one of those big hearted fellows finally decided to let him pay all cost return the robe and pay a \$5.00 rental and go on his way, a wiser and sadder bond bidder.

We were unable to get the gentleman's name, but we are sure that he will ask the owner of property hereafter before he borrows it or takes it for his own use. It was not the value of the robe that made Mr. Parkes handle the matter as he did but the principal of the thing and to teach the fellow a lesson that would probably be of great value to him in the future.

We wish to state that the gen-

R. P. SHAYA CO. SELLS STOCK

A deal was consummated last week in which R. P. Shaya Co. sold their entire stock of groceries and notions and a major portion of the dry goods and shoes to Frank Lujan and Alberto Branch. The new firm took over the lease on the Foster Building held by Mr. Shaya and have already opened up for business with a complete line of groceries, dry goods, shoes and notions and they wish to meet all the old customers of Mr. Shaya and as many new ones of the mesa as possible.

Messrs Lujan and Branch are well known young men of this community and have spent practically all their life in and near Roy. Mr. Lujan was connected with the Lujan and Son store in Roy a few years ago and later moved to Sabinoso where he has been manager of a store for his father the past few years. Mr. Branch is the son of Pedro P. Branch of this place and is a young man of ambition and has been assistant manager of the Roy Trading Company store until a few weeks ago. We are sure these young men have a bright future before them and an excellent chance to become successful business men. We understand they intend to increase their stock as their business builds up until they have one of the most complete stocks of merchandise in Roy.

Mr. Shaya will move the balance of the stock he has on hand to Duran and sell it in the store of his uncle who was killed a few months ago. Mr. Shaya is administrator of the estate and this will require his complete attention for several months at Duran but as soon as the estate is settled he will probably again return to Roy.

CHURCH SERVICES

It has been announced that there will be regular preaching services at the Union Church in Roy, next Sunday, April 23, at eleven o'clock A. M. and at eight o'clock in the evening. Rev. Cooke will talk on "Lives Great Realities" at the evening service. Be sure to attend and hear this forceful speaker.

A. G. Trujillo, prominent cattleman of Solano, passed thru Roy Thursday enroute to Wagon Mound, N. M.

Tom Bowman was a business visitor to Dawson the first of the week.

Men who did the petty thievery was not one of the gentlemen who purchased the bonds but a Denver man who only bid on them and his bid was scarcely worthy of attention and why he should stoop to such work we can hardly understand.

Anyway Mr. Parkes has the robe, also enough cash to buy another one, Mr. Hoppeter got enough out of the deal for a fine necktie and W. W. Gilstrap the telephone man did well out of the deal too, but even at this Mr. Parkes and Mr. Schultz had to ride home without the comfort of the said lap robe.

SCHOOL BONDS SOLD**Architect Plans Let Saturday**

At the regular meeting of the County Board of Education held at the County Seat last Saturday, considerable business of importance to the County Schools was attended to. The members present at the meeting were: Luis C. deBaca, Wm. G. Johnson and County Supt., DeFees. Members Leonhard and Warrender were absent. After taking care of the regular routine of business the meeting adjourned during the selling of the School bonds of the Mosquero, Solano and Kephart schools by County Treasurer Parkes. The bidding was rather slow at first but finally picked up and the bonds were finally disposed of to Bosworth-Chanute and Company of Denver and Keeler Brothers of the same place. Bosworth Chanute bidding in the Solano bonds at 96 plus accrued interest and the Mosquero bonds at 95 1/2 and accrued interest. Keeler Brothers were the lucky bidders on the Kephart issue and altho they only brought 90, yet this is considered a very fair bid when you consider it being an inland district and about 2-3 of the land being state land. There were nine bidders present, which shows that the bond market is active and altho the Bankers Trust Co., was the highest bidder at 97, the bid could not be accepted as they had accidentally forgot to have their checks certified as required by law. This error on the part of the Bankers Trust Co., caused a loss of \$250.00 Solano and \$310 to the Mosquero district, however the price received was considered very good according to the way bonds have been selling the past few weeks; an issue of several thousand dollars sold in Union County last week for 88. After the selling of the bonds the Board again went into session and let the contracts for the architect work for the three school houses. After thoroughly discussing the matter it was moved to let the Board of Directors choose the architect wanted for their schools and the Board approved same. Mr. Barrett of East Las Vegas was chosen architect for Kephart and Mosquero and Mr. George Burnett of El Paso architect for Solano. The Kephart school will be a two room stuccoed adobe costing about \$4,000 and the Solano and Mosquero buildings will be six to eight room building with auditorium which can be used for gymnasium. Both buildings will be modern thruout, and will be electric lighted, steam heated and contain all necessary plumbing. They will be erected of brick and will both contain full basements and be a credit to the town. The contract for the erection of the buildings will be let on Tuesday May 16th and work will be rushed to completion as the contractors will have to complete the building within one hundred days which will make them ready for occupancy by September 1st. Money has been reserved from the bond issue for the furnishing of the school building so that every thing can be in readiness at the opening of the 1922-23 term.

The bonds have already been printed and as soon as a few small requirements are made the money will be in the hands of the County Treasurer and ready for the contractors. The local Boards and the County Board are to be congratulated in the manner in which they handled these issues and the manner in which they have expedited matters.

The next meeting of the Board will be held Tuesday May 18th for the purpose of letting of the contracts.

Miss Etna Floersheim, Messrs. Don Foley and Lester Floersheim were Sunday visitors in Springer.

Mr. Martin Rhyne and family left for Somerton, Arizona the first of the week where Mr. Rhyne is interested in a piece of land. They will probably spend the summer in Arizona but we look for them back in time to sow that big wheat crop this fall.

LON (Hardluck) SHIFFLET KILLED IN AUTO ACCIDENT NEAR RATON

The sad news reached Roy Tuesday morning that Lon (Hardluck) Shifflet was killed in an auto accident near Raton last Tuesday evening while enroute to his home in Dawson.

Mr. Shifflet had a friend had been to Raton Tuesday and in company with another car of Dawson folks was returning home when about 6 miles from Raton the car, skidded and turned completely over breaking Mr. Shifflet's neck and seriously injuring the driver. The car was lying across Mr. Shifflet's body when they were found by the other car which was ahead of the wrecked car and when they seemed to not be in sight the first car returned to find the car a total wreck, Mr. Shifflet dead and the driver seriously injured.

The body was taken to Raton where it was prepared for burial and later taken to Dawson where he has resided for several

years. Mr. Shifflet was well known in Roy, having lived at Abbott for a number of years where he was an employee of the E. P. & S. W. R. R. having charge of the push engine at that place, however a couple of years ago he was transferred to Dawson where he has since resided.

He was a man well liked by all who knew him and had many friends on the mesa who will be sorry to learn of his death. He leaves a wife and two children to mourn his death.

The funeral was held at Sweetwater, Texas, Saturday April 22nd, and burial following in the Sweetwater Cemetery.

Mrs. May Sizemore of Gaylord Kansas is spending a few weeks with her daughter Mrs. L. E. Duebler and her son Earl Cable and families.

AMERICAN LEGION AT MOSQUERO TO GIVE GRAND BALL

The American Legion Post at Mosquero will give a grand ball at Mosquero tonight (Saturday) and a large crowd from Roy will go to Mosquero to enjoy the evening. A fine time is assured for all who attend. Music will be furnished thruout the evening by the Tucumcari Orchestra composed of five pieces. The Post extends a cordial invitation to everyone to be present and enjoy the evening with them.

PROHIBITION AGENT CAPTURES STILL IN OPERATION

Federal Prohibition Agent Rector of Albuquerque dropped quietly into Roy last Wednesday and with the assistance of Sheriff Spivey captured two stills, one of which was in operation and also got several gallons of the deadly poison, and a few barrels of mash. The first raid was made at the Ed Cantrel home where some mash was found and in the afternoon they proceeded to Abbott where they found a still at the Honeycutt home in actual operation and a considerable quantity of "BOOZE". Mr. Cantrel and his brother-in-law Mr. McBroom also Mr. Honeycutt were arrested and brought to town and taken before U. S. Commissioner where each pleaded to the charges preferred by the Agent, and each gave bond to appear before your honor U.S. District Judge Neblitt where they will tell their troubles when the Federal Court meets. Mr. Rector and Sheriff Spivey are doing their best to stamp out the stills on the mesa, and it is the duty of every law abiding citizen to help them in the work.

The bootlegging that has been going on the mesa for the past year is surely a disgrace to any community and it is surely getting time that the work be stamped out.

ROY TO HAVE COMMUNITY HALL AND THEATRE

Roy is to have a community hall and theater building at once according to the plans outlined by S. E. Paxton and Mickey Floersheim. They have leased the Foster building recently occupied by the Roy Bakery and they are having a stage erected and other accessories in the building and will seat it and make all arrangements for an up-to-date community house. The building is quite roomy being about 30 feet wide and about 70 feet long and will hold approximately 400 to 500 people. The old Roy Theatre will continue to be used for a picture show as Messrs Paxton and Floersheim tell us they do not intend to put in a picture machine at this time. The main reason for the leasing of the building was to get a ground floor for a theater and community hall as so many people objected to having a theater on an up stairs floor as the old Roy Theater is located at present.

The building will be used for all community meetings such as political meetings, community gatherings of every nature, dance hall and regular theater room. Messrs Paxton and Floersheim are to be congratulated on their fore thought in getting the lease on this building and arranging it so that public gatherings can be held on the ground floor and in a safe building for all to attend.

We understand they will erect an up-to-date stage, with foot lights, curtains and dressing rooms and that the room will be electric lighted and made as comfortable as possible. The theater will be initiated next Saturday night when the Base Ball Boys stage their first Minstrel show of the season.

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