

TO CELEBRATE
THE FOURTH

Last Sunday morning there was a call issued for a public meeting to take place in the afternoon in the town hall for the purpose of arranging for an Independence Day celebration. The call was responded to by a large and enthusiastic gathering. Will Sanford was chosen president of the meeting and it was agreed that he appoint various committees to arrange for the day's festivities. Many expressed their views, all agreeing that each and every citizen should lend his aid to make the celebration a pronounced success and provide a right roval entertainment for the visitors.

Previous to the meeting Ed Schweikert and Chas. Wightman started a subscription paper and succeeded in signing over \$200 to the fund. At the present time considerable in excess of \$300 has been contributed and still coming in.

Fallon will have a rousing celebration, the first one of any magnitude in the history of the town. One of the features will be a large dance hall built under the beautiful trees opposite Jim Richards' store. Here the lovers of dance can drink their fill in the open air. Horse racing, foot racing, baseball, etc., will go to make up the day's sport and a general good time is guaranteed to all who attend. Come along and bring your friends; you'll not regret your visit. An excellent opportunity to see the new and growing town of Fallon and the oil well.

President Sanford has thus far appointed the following committees:

DANCE—Misses Daisy Allen, Florence Roche, Florence Kent; Messrs. Will Lofthouse, Charles Bailey, Frank Coffin.

BASEBALL—Stan C. Mitchell, John Bailey, R. Leslie Smail.

RACE—Chas. Wightman, Lem Allen, Jr., Henry Cirac.

The above committees are requested to meet at the town hall Tuesday evening next at 8 p. m. for the purpose of entering upon their respective duties.

Mining Man Leases Land.

This week L. L. Patrick, the Tonopah and Goldfields mining man, closed a deal with Mrs. Anna Brown whereby he acquired a ten-year lease of her ranch property, comprising 640 acres. By the terms of the lease, Mr. Patrick agrees to erect within sixty days an oil boring machine on the property for the purpose of drilling for oil. Should a flowing well be encountered, Mrs. Brown is to have a one-eighth interest in the well. The land is situated in close proximity to the Douglass property and promises much in an oil way. Mr. Patrick is a man of considerable wealth, of energy and push and will doubtless realize handsomely from his investment.

The stone foundation for the Douglass residence has been completed.

DISCOVERY OF OIL IS CONFIRMED
BY THE EXPERTS

PERSONAL NOTES.

H. Judd Allen drove in yesterday from Hazen.

Fred Steiner of Reese River is visiting in Fallon.

Harness, boots and shoes repaired at Beach's.

Mattresses made over and to order at Beach's.

Judge Bridges, of Wadsworth, visited Fallon this week.

Mrs. E. W. Black was an arrival from Reno Thursday.

Choice, fresh candies just unpacked at the Fallon Bakery.

Joe Jarvis was a departure for San Francisco yesterday morning.

B. F. Thornton, of Wadsworth, was an arrival yesterday.

Lieutenant-Governor Allen is attending to official duties at the capitol.

John Driscoll, formerly of Wadsworth, but now of Reno, is a visitor.

Dr. Reid, of Gray, Reid, Wright Co., of Reno, was in town Tuesday and Wednesday.

Dr. Hudgens of Tonopah and Charles Watson of Carson located some oil land here this week.

G. W. Clinton, the mining engineer, has returned to Reno. He took with him several samples of the oil sand.

Messrs. Parker and Johnson, capitalists of Sparks, Nevada, were in Fallon this week looking over the oil situation.

G. G. Hall, the oil expert, has returned to his mining interests at Hawthorne. He will return to the oil fields in about a week.

Railroad Progressing Favorably.

Up to the present time, sixty thousand dollars have been subscribed towards the building of a railroad from the main line of the S. P. into Fallon. This sum will be greatly augmented within the next few days. Engineer Kruttschnitt's estimate will be delivered early next week.

R. L. and W. J. Douglass, who are heavily interested in the proposed road, have bonded from W. W. Williams his entire field north of Williams street in the sum of \$16,000, as well as John Oats field east of Maine street for a large figure.

Everything indicates the speedy realization of a railroad to Fallon. No doubt the oil excitement will expedite its construction.

Notice of Meeting.

Notice is hereby given that there will be a meeting of all persons contributing to the fire and police fund, in the town hall on Tuesday afternoon, May 24, at 2:30 p. m. Business of importance is to come before the meeting.

A. R. JEFFREY, Pres.

San Francisco, May 17, 1904.

Paris Markwell,
Fallon, Nevada.

Oil and sand look good. Send man if desired. Locate all land possible.

John M. Wright.

The above telegram was received in Fallon Tuesday from John M. Wright, president of the Peerless Oil Company of Bakersfield, California, and is but one of many received from the outside, showing that the quality of the oil discovered here is beyond doubt of a superior grade.

The past week has been a lively one in Fallon. Strangers have poured in from all sections of the country and the hotels and restaurants have been taxed to their full capacity. Land for miles around has been located, the desert and surrounding hills fairly teeming with humanity locating ground in anticipation of future fortunes.

There is oil beyond the slightest question of a doubt. The machinery at hand is entirely inadequate for drilling for oil, but within a very short time a Standard rig will be on the ground and drilling will commence in earnest. This morning in Reno there will be a meeting of the locators of the Douglass well for the purpose of organizing an oil company to systematically enter upon the work. It is understood that an assessment of \$250 will be levied upon each of the eight members, the proceeds of which will be used to purchase machinery.

Wednesday noon the first whistle to blow in the camp was heard. It came from an old threshing engine which had been pressed into service to furnish power for drilling. Thursday the machine was again started up and a few feet of ground gone through. The formation is still black sand, and much oil was brought to the surface. This oil, according to experts, is oozing from an oil deposit deep in the earth and is percolating through the sand in an endeavor to reach the surface. The experts are all of one opinion that there is plenty of the precious liquid beyond this strata and that a flowing well will be encountered at depth, possibly within a few feet, but probably at considerable distance.

The failure of the machinery to work is causing a hardship to the true merits of the find, but when the proper facilities are procured, Fallon will experience a rush such as was witnessed by the Comstock and Tonopah in their brightest days. Meanwhile there will be a steady flow of fortune seekers into the camp, while many are already here awaiting future developments.

Have you seen that new line of samples of summer clothing at the Kent Company's store? Benton guarantees a perfect fit or your money refunded.

Subscribe for the STANDARD.

OF LOCAL INTEREST.

Read New To-day.

Delicious ice cream at the Fallon Bakery.

Best and cheapest light on earth at Beach's.

John Dolf is having a handsome residence erected on Center street.

Two more carloads of bees arrived from California the fore part of the week.

Oil being the paramount issue this week, our sand mountain article had to be excluded.

First class flour can be had at the Fallon Bakery. Call and inspect the quality of bread made from this flour.

Walter Phillips, employed on the survey, fell into the river at Stillwater yesterday and is now suffering with rheumatism.

J. J. Faust, formerly of Elko, has opened a barber shop in the Club saloon building. Mr. Faust is a tonsorial artist of ability and solicits a share of the public patronage. Razors sharpened and honed in a workmanlike manner.

Mr. and Mrs. O'Doan.

When Mr. Dan O'Doan and Miss Margie Bennett departed for the railroad Tuesday evening it was whispered about town that on their return there would be a change in the name of one of the parties. Yesterday Mr. and Mrs. Dan O'Doan arrived from Reno and will make Fallon their future home, where Mr. O'Doan has extensive business interests. The ceremony that made the two parties one took place Wednesday evening at the rectory of the Catholic church in Reno, Rev. Father Reynolds officiating. Miss Bennett is a native of Virginia City and is an estimable young lady, and has a host of friends who will congratulate her on her marriage. Mr. O'Doan is one of Fallon's solid business men. Like his better half he has friends galore who trust he will enjoy a pleasant voyage on the sea of matrimony. Here's to you, Dan. The STANDARD joins in extending congratulations.

Next Friday's Dance.

The band boys are making every arrangement to entertain the dancers of this section next Friday evening. The floor will be thoroughly cleaned and waxed and put in excellent condition. Tickets are now on sale; if you are unable to attend, don't fail to purchase a ticket and help the good cause along.

Ball Supper.

The Nevada restaurant will serve a first-class supper at 12 o'clock on the night of the 27th—the evening on which the band dance takes place. The price per plate will be 75 cents, and a guarantee that you get your money's worth.

WORK NEARING
COMPLETION

Contractor Fuller was down from the canal site Wednesday. Mr. Fuller states that his contract will be finished within the next five weeks, after which he will prepare to take a similar contract on this end of the big ditch. He states that when the various contracts are let there will be between 2,500 and 3,000 men employed in this section. At the present time he estimates the number of men employed on the main canal at 1,200 and says the work is moving ahead quite rapidly.

The specifications for this end are now in the hands of the Secretary of the Interior and bids for construction will shortly be published. Work will commence soon after the expiration of sixty days from the date of the first publication of the bids.

Those who have already taken up homesteads and those who contemplate settling on lands under the irrigation Act will be given a chance to bid on the construction of the lateral canals and in this manner receive much help towards clearing their homestead lands and putting them into condition.

Off for Baseball Honors.

This evening the Fallon baseball club will pack its implements of baseball warfare and hie itself to Lovelock, where a game of the National sport will be played to-morrow afternoon between the Fallon and Lovelock teams; The game should prove to be hotly contested and highly interesting. A letter received from the manager of the Lovelock team states that there will be no "ringers" rung in, in which event the local twirlers will show the neighboring team that they are quite capable of handling the leather sphere as well as the timber. The Fallon team will line up as follows:

Phillips, c.; Phillips, W., p.; Keddie, 1b.; Mitchell, 2b.; Pussell, 3b.; Smail, ss.; White, r.f.; Fortune, c.f.; Perry, l.f.

Grand Opening.

The Hole in the Wall restaurant will have a grand opening on Sunday afternoon. Louis Grime, the proprietor, is a restaurant man of many years experience and bears the reputation of being an excellent cook. Already his place is receiving a large patronage. His motto is "the best the market affords for the least money." See ad under New To-day.

Read the new ad of the I. H. Kent Company.

NEW TO-DAY

THE
CLUB

BARBER SHOP.

In Club Saloon Building, Fallon
J. J. FAUST, Proprietor

Hair-cutting and Shaving Done in an Artistic Manner.