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Arapahoe, Colorado. Phone No. 146-5.

### ARAPAHOE.

Fine weather we are having.

Talk about windy weather, we had our share Sunday.

Dr. H. C. Homer was a business caller in Cheyenne Wells Saturday.

Miss Hattie Galland spent last week at the home of W. W. Howard.

Misses Gertrude and Lillian Walker spent Sunday at B. F. Mitchell's.

Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Smith have returned from an extended visit in the east.

The Gilbert boys, from Lamar, Colo., were callers at the S. A. Dodds home, Monday.

Lou Birn and John Wyant attended the dance Thanksgiving night at Mr. Shum's.

Mr. Roy Lewis has returned home after spending a week in Lincoln, Nebraska.

Misses Beatrice and Beulah Blood spent Thursday night at the T. E. Howard home.

Mrs. L. A. Ferguson and daughter Aileen left for Ocedaci, Iowa, Sunday evening.

Lura Ferguson and Lottie Alernathy went to the Thanksgiving dance at Sharon Springs, Thursday evening.

Mr. B. F. Mitchell and family

expect to leave the last of the week for Cloverly, Colo., their future home.

Fernard Bidinger had the misfortune to fall off the railroad track last Thursday and cut his shoe quite badly, but in no other way injured.

The oyster supper at Mt. Pleasant school house Thursday evening was a treat and a feast. Mrs. Ford, the genial professor of the Amoebic college had everything arranged to a queen's taste. First a splendid program consisting of songs, declamations, recitations, etc. and last, but not least, oysters, (not the little dried up specimens), but great big delicious fellows, that had the appearance of walking into the oral cavity of the purchaser, and good, well there's no words to express it, then to finish with a flourish a vote was taken on who was the least attractive man in eastern Colorado. the voting went rampant for a long time, but finally simmered down to two of our most noble specimens who were voting for each other, when the balance of the party dispersed. We have not been informed yet as to whether they are voting or not.

Talk about eats! That's where we shine, and such a table as the ladies set at the Chapel Thursday would be an honor for the King of England, or the Presi-

up to. Thankful, why a man would be exceedingly lacking in dent of the United States, to sit the arrangement of his multipolar cells in his cranium if he were not thankful that he could live to partake of such a meal. The tables, two of them, 30 feet long, were loaded with viands that would tickle the palate of the most delicate, and the appetites of the eighty or more present, were of a nature that spoke of the hardness of the people surrounding Arapahoe, but the physical man was perfectly satisfied. Rev. Mills looked after the spiritual welfare, with a well chosen sermon, and all who came went away saying, "Well done, I am content." Such gatherings as these, where neighbor meets neighbor face to face and cracks jokes over the table, are of more value than many a hard days labor. He comes to learn that his neighbors are all good fellows and that this old world is yet not such a poor place to live in.

### TEACHING POSITIONS Philippine Islands.

In order to make it possible for those interested in positions in the teaching service in the Philippine Islands to take the examination for eligibility to appointment without interfering with their regular school duties, the United States Civil Service Commission announces on examination for teacher, departmental and industrial teacher on December 27 and 28, in many of the important cities of the United States.

Eligibility in these examinations is required for appointment to positions:

Women in Home Economics.  
High School Science.  
Men in Agriculture.  
Manual Training.  
Mathematics.  
English.

and Supervision of Schools

The entrance salary of the majority of appointees is \$1,200 per annum and expenses to the Islands by the Government, with eligibility for promotion up to \$2,000 as teacher and up to \$3,000 as Superintendent.

For information relative to the nature or the service and the examination, address,

BUREAU OF INSULAR AFFAIRS,  
Washington, D. C.

### Colorado Pass System Dead.

The Colorado & Southern and the Denver & Rio Grande Railroad companies have recently done what the legislature should have done long since. The two roads have adopted laws—or the same thing—rules or a course of conduct, whatever you may call it, by which free railroad transportation is a thing of the past with them. They have sent out the edict that the companies have absolutely abolished the free pass system, and that it will make no difference who the applicants may be—newspapers, politicians' officeholders, candidates, members of the legislature, their brothers, their sisters, their uncles or their aunts—they can't get passes, and that's the end of it.

### Entertained At Baber Ranch.

On last Saturday evening we left by automobile for the Baber Ranch, 15 miles north of Cheyenne Wells, where by invitation, "something we were never known to refuse," to be present at a premeditated Turkey dinner. We arrived in time for supper

Saturday evening, and sit down to a table loaded with New York counts, raw, stewed, and fried. We thought when this meal was over that it must be Sunday, but it wasn't, and we were glad. Dr. C. E. Lewis and family were also guests at this famous Ranch of the house of Baber, and the only thing visible on the physiognomy of this well known prescription specialist, was an immovable expression of great satisfaction and unadulterated joy. It was no wonder, however that the Dr. indulged his feeling in such open expressions, for the pre-feast, supper, which was seemingly served as entree to the feast being prepared in the culinary department, was of a nature calculated to fill one with ecstasies of anticipation of what the morrow would bring forth. It is always a pleasure to visit the home of the Baber's. This good family are among the most substantial in the county, and are always in line for entertaining, and perhaps do entertain oftener than any other family in this section. There is scarcely a day passes, that either friend or stranger is not entertained within their gates. Mrs. Baber is one of the best cooks that ever made biscuit or baked a turkey, and it is to the genius of her hand that the Baber Ranch is distinguished for miles around as the prize place to be caught, at meal time, and this opinion is borne out by the fact, that on cross country routes, its the slogan. don't stop till you get to Baber's, and be sure to get there at meal time. This ranch is well stocked with horses and cattle, poultry and swine, and the feed that is piled up in the stack yard, as well as the great abundance still in the shock in the field, is ample evidence of the success that attends the efforts and the methods of farming, as carried into practice by Mr. Sam Baber, who is responsible for what takes place on this ranch, in the way of farming and stock raising. We wish we could stay here a month, but after the manner of our feasting on that Turkey, Fried Oysters, cranberries, celery, Etc., caetera, together with our dear Dr. Lewis, annexing so much of the table spread that he fell down on the bed in a truce and didn't wake up for four hours. We are afraid to suggest it.—We are used to getting ourselves pretty well fed at the Albany Hotel, and we are satisfied with what we get to eat there, for it is good: But the kind of eating we had for five days at this Ranch, has introduced some new ideas to us, and we may not be able to enjoy our regular fare, until nature has reduced us to our normal size, and we have regained our equilibrium.

### DEMOCRATS' EXPENSE In Colorado \$21,141.

In dollars and cents it cost the Democratic state central committee \$21,141.98 at the recent election. George Bradley, state chairman, yesterday filed his campaign expense affidavit with the secretary of state.

The largest single item is \$7,120, distributed among thirty-five counties for election day. This means that in twenty-nine counties of the state the committee did not spend a cent. The second item in size is \$2,254.90, spent for advertising in newspapers and magazines.

This is the itemized account:

Printing, postage, expressage, headquarters.....\$1,667.53  
Expense, labor, publicity and press bureau.....942.95

Main headquarters expense, Albany Hotel, stationery, etc. payroll, of clerks, stenographers and other incidents.....1,736.95  
Telephones and telegrams.....806.15  
Attorneys' legal services.....200.00  
Speakers' bureau expense, speakers' expenses etc.....889.30  
Printing and posting of bills for meetings, meeting at Auditorium Denver, including decorating, music.....1,462.15  
Advertising papers magazines etc.....7,244.99  
Posting and distribution campaign material.....206.50  
Workers sent out by headquarters.....470.00  
Labor at headquarters and workers.....300.90  
Women's headquarters (except rent).....150.00  
Colored headquarters and workers.....165.00  
Personal and incidental expenses of secretary.....250.00  
Personal and incidental expenses of chairman.....150.00  
Billboard signs, Denver.....292.25  
Democratic state press committee.....252.00  
Expense Bryan train, C. & S. railroad.....250.00  
Expense Wilson train, D. & R. G. railroad.....127.99  
Buttons and plate matter.....284.55  
Amounts distributed to thirty-five different counties for election day and prior.....7,120.00  
Outstanding bills (estimated).....3125.00  
Total.....\$21,141.98  
Balance on hand.....215.90

### FIRST VIEW NEWS.

Mrs John Marshall is on the sick list.

Miss Bertha Cheny returned to Denver, Monday.

There will be Catholic services here December 6th.

C. N. Smith and wife visited the county seat Saturday.

O. Ellis returned from Manhattan, Kan., last Thursday.

Mrs. Delos Curtis is home again after a prolonged stay at Cheyenne wells.

Geo Horner arrived here Friday with an car of goods from Manhattan.

The Ladies Aid Society will meet with Mrs. Fred McDonald Wednesday December 11th.

Mr. Gregory, of Manhattan, Kan., purchased a section of land from C. N. Smith last week.

Mr. Wolf and family, Claud Smith and wife and Oliver Fry spent Thanksgiving at the home of J. M. Ellis.

Reg. Wind preached a fine sermon Sunday. The unpleasant weather caused quite a number to miss it.

A large crowd attended the literary last Friday night, all had a very pleasant evening. Come every Friday night.

### His Wishes Carried Out.

Old Forgiven, the Scotch judge, died in 1727. Dr. Clerk, who attended his lordship to the last, calling on his patient the day he died, was admitted by the judge's old servant and clerk, David Reed. "How does my lord do?" inquired the doctor. "I hope he's well!" responded the old man, whose voice and manner at once explained his meaning. With tears streaming down his face, he conducted Dr. Clerk into a room where there two dozen bottles of wine underneath the table. Other gentlemen presently arrived, and having partaken of a glass or two of wine, while they listened to David's account of his master's last hours, they all rose to depart. "No, no, gentlemen; not so," said the old factotum, "it was the express of the deceased that I should fill ye a' four, and I maun fulfill the will o' the dead." Dr. Clerk used to add, when relating the story, "and, indeed, he did fulfill the will of the dead, for before the end o' there was na ane of us able to bite his ain thoomb!"

### Ancient Egyptian.

The question, "Of what race were the ancient Egyptians?" has never been satisfactorily disposed of, but we may be sure that they were not negroes. They were not black, nor was their hair "kinky"—therefore, they belonged to some other than the negro race. They certainly were not Caucasians, nor were they of the Mongolian or yellow breed of man. The builders of the pyramids were probably of Arabic stock or stock in which Arabic predominated. Although, as has been intimated, it is by no means settled as yet as to just where the old Egyptians are to be placed in the human scale.