

NEWS OF THE TERRITORY.

The Board of Dental Examiners for Arizona will meet at Tucson April 18 to 21 inclusive, for the examination of candidates.

Over thirty inches of snow fell in the vicinity of Flagstaff during the recent storm and stockmen are enthusiastic.

Reports have been confirmed of a rich strike of oxidized gold ore at the Hub mine of the Skull Valley Development company.

Twelve cases of scarlet fever have been reported from Wenden to Dr. E. B. Ketcherside, county health officer of Yuma county.

The Pythian Sisters of Solomonville used part of their surplus funds to defray the expenses of putting in a well and pump on the school ground.

The Anti-Saloon league of Phoenix has filed charges against thirteen saloons and hope to prevent a renewal of their licenses by the board of supervisors.

Following the completion of machinery installation, sinking has been started in the main shaft of the Arizona Bonanza Mining company in the Big Bug district.

The shipping of ore from the United Verde mine to be used as a flux in reducing the ores at the Humboldt smelter has been shipped. From 100 to 150 tons will be shipped daily.

The big double cylinder air compressor for the Arizona-Michigan Development company arrived at Johnson last week, and will be installed at once at the double compartment perpendicular working shaft.

By an order of the government, the religious rites of the Yuma Indians over their dead, including the cremation of the body and the burning of all the belongings of the deceased, which have been in force for generations, are to be broken up in a few weeks.

The Yuma high school will be placed on the list of accredited schools provisionally, and its recommended graduates will be admitted to the university without examination, except in English, in which all are examined.

Safford's new postoffice, one of the finest structures of its kind in Arizona, will be completed within the present week. It is built of brick, iron and cement and is two stories. The building has been splendidly fitted up for use.

J. C. Gatti, the Clifton butcher, was in the city last week, looking for beef. He has the contract for furnishing the Shannon company with beef, and is under heavy bonds to furnish sufficient supply, and it is keeping him busy to get the goods.—Liberal

Colonel James H. Christopher, of Warrensburg, Mo., millionaire, Indian fighter and soldier of fortune, has purchased 100,000 acres of land on the Arizona border along the proposed Port Lobos railway and will install a large irrigation system along original lines.

A technical magazine, dealing with the ins and outs of pedagogy, and called the "Arizona Journal of Education" will be issued in the near future by Prof. Thaddeus L. B. Iton, superintendent of the training department of the Tempe normal, assisted by Prof. Phelps, also of the normal.

Ford J. Wharton and his associates, who own a group of claims in the Baboquivari mountains, about fifty miles southwest of Tucson, have discovered an immense ledge of ore which assays \$4.66 per ton in gold and copper, besides containing 60 per cent. of molybdenum, a rare metal currently quoted at \$600 per ton.

It is reported that the Alumet & Arizona Copper Mining company and the Copper Creek Mining company will consolidate as one company, and will then erect a 200-ton smelter on its properties on Copper creek at some point convenient for handling the ores of both the former companies.

W. R. Clement, recently of Moscow, Idaho, and W. A. Coffman, of Mesa, have formed a partnership and will establish a large stock farm near that place for the raising of thoroughbred horses. They have incorporated as the Salt River Valley Stock Farm with a paid capital of \$60,000.

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Is Statehood in Danger?

The following article, recently appearing in the New York Herald, being received from its Washington news bureau. The Herald is generally regarded as a conservative paper inclined towards partisan views, which makes the article of a more serious nature than at first supposed. The article follows:

"Mathematically inclined republican politicians have discovered that statehood for New Mexico and Arizona should not pass the senate. There is a reason.

"It is more than a probability that on becoming states the two territories would send four democratic senators to congress. This, with possibilities of defeat for republicans who must fight for re-election next fall, might endanger the regular republican control of the senate.

"There is at present republican strength in the senate of 59. From this there must be taken eight 'insurgent' republicans who cannot be controlled by the republican leaders, Senators Aldrich and Crane. This leaves the regular republican strength in the senate only 54.

"Insurgent' republicans have on big party questions voted with the democrats. This adds their strength to the democratic minority of 33. Four democrats from Arizona and New Mexico would make the combined 'insurgent' democratic strength 45. Four republican senators lost to the democrats in coming elections would place the senate in the power of the democrats and 'insurgents'.

There are at least seven senatorial republicans who must make a hard fight for re-election.

"This is the reason that statehood for two remaining territories outside of Alaska is likely to wait until Senator Aldrich and Senator Crane can keep the senate lid on. There has been a tremendous bubbling, but up to this time the statehood bill has not made further progress than a favorable report from the committee on territories.

"Keeping the statehood bill from passing the senate is likely to be a harder job than passing the administration's railroad bill, and that is not an easy task. President Taft has been through the two territories and pledged his support in statehood. But President Taft had not then and has not now seen the mathematical demonstration of what may happen to the senate. If he keeps on urging statehood upon the senate they will be laid before him.

"When a president of the United States with three years in service, and with a strong probability that the house of representatives will be democratic after March 4, 1911, is confronted with the further possibility that he may have added to his burden a democratic senate, there is likely to be a slump in the statehood market.

"Statehood has been urged by the president because it was promised in the republican platform, builded at Chicago. This is his argument for it. Republicans are more than ever convinced that platforms are hastily and sometimes carelessly builded.

"Democrats are naturally for the statehood bill. They have promised to use it as a railroad tie to be thrown across the track of other administrative legislation. They believe that statehood can be passed in the senate and the republicans believe that this is true."

Young Takes the Goldfield Mine.

Territorial Secretary George U. Young has secured the old Goldfield mining property east of Mesa, on a lease and \$150,000 bond Young expects to interest others in this proposition with the result of acquiring the mine outright.

The property was secured from the heirs of a man named Perry, who seems to have been the discoverer and original worker of the claim. During its day of operation \$571,000 was taken from the property without making any marked impression upon the ore bodies.

Young stated this morning that the property had always in the past been worked as a gold proposition, but he is of the opinion that development work will unearth large copper deposits.

Young will put a crew of men at work on the property April 1 and expects great results from their work of exploration.

The Goldfield mine is located in Maricopa county and its successful resumption will mean a great deal in a commercial way for Phoenix and the county.

Secretary Young is one of the few federal officials who is investing his money in Maricopa county. He recently purchased a large tract of valuable land near Buckeye and his latest venture, the Goldfield mine, promises to develop into a transaction of great value to the residents and business men of this section.

Worse Than Bullets.

Bullets have often caused less suffering to soldiers than the eczema L. W. Harriman, Burlington, Me., got in the army, and suffered with, forty years. "But Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured me when all else failed," he writes. "Greatest healer for Sores, Ulcers, Boils, Burns, Cuts, Wounds, and Piles. 25c at A. C. Co. drug department."

What Arizona Gets From Government.

The legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill, which has just passed the house, contains the following items of interest to Arizona and New Mexico territories:

For salary of the governor of Arizona, \$3000; chief justice and four associate judges at \$3000 each; secretary, \$1800; interpreter and translator in the executive office, \$500; total, \$20,300.

For contingent expenses of the territory of Arizona, including not to exceed \$500 for traveling expenses of the governor while absent from the capital on official business, \$1500.

For legislative expenses, namely: For rent, messenger, postage, stationery, fuel, lights, printing and incidental expenses for the secretary's office, for pay of members and officers of the legislative assembly, mileage, rent of rooms for the legislature and committees, furniture, stationery, printing, binding, fuel, lights and incidentals, \$24,250.

For surveyor general of Arizona, \$2500, and for clerks in his office, \$8000; total, \$10,500.

For rent of office for the surveyor general, stationery, binding, records, books of reference for office use, typewriter and repairs, repair of furniture, freight and drayage, filing cases, drafting supplies and tables, and other incidental expenses, including the exchanges of typewriters, \$1000.

For salaries of officials of New Mexico: Governor, \$3000; chief justice and six associate judges, at \$3000 each; secretary of the territory, \$1800; interpreter and translator in the executive office, \$500; total, \$26,300.

For contingent expenses of territory, including not to exceed \$500 for traveling expenses of the governor while absent from the capital on official business, to be expended by the governor, \$1500.

For legislative expenses, \$24,500.

For surveyor general of New Mexico, \$2500, and for clerks in his office, \$10,500; total, \$13,000.

For pay of messenger, stationery, printing, drafting instruments, plans, drawing paper, binding records, telephone, registration of letters, post-office box rent, drayage, towels, books of reference for office use, and other incidental expenses, including the exchange of typewriters, \$1000.

The Rush to Florida.

The rush for land in Florida is on, says the Technical World. There are many reasons for this great and comparatively sudden demand. One is that the lumber and turpentine kings are beginning to release their grip on the state lands.

Having turpented the trees to death over vast tracts and then cut them and sold the lumber, the land is useless for their purpose. This land, which cost the turpentine men from 25 cents to \$1 an acre, they are now glad to sell in large lots from 30,000 to 100,000 acres at from \$3 to \$5 an acre.

Colonies by the score are being planted all over the state. In the very Everglades themselves, a section that the geographers once taught was but a vast swamp with little or no land above water, four or five land companies are operating. One has sold 10,000 farms in ten-acre lots at from \$20 to \$24 an acre, another has sold 2,000 farms at the same prices, another 1,000 farms at \$50 to \$100 an acre and another 10,000 farms at \$30 to \$50 an acre.

It is estimated that 40 per cent. of these sales are to actual settlers, the balance going to the small speculator who is willing to chance the investment of a few hundred dollars in the hope of a great increase in price of these lands later on—when they come out from under the water. For it is a fact that much of the Everglade land sold is at present to be traversed only in boats or in rubber boots. It is supposed that as a rule the buyers understand that. One big sale of Everglade land was by the state, a state agreeing to put out \$1 per acre in draining this land, no time being set for the completion of the drainage contract.

The state now has four \$50,000 dredges at work and has so far dredged about twenty-five miles of canal and nine of river. Bids have just been received for 300 miles more of canal and optimists think the drainage of the lands sold may be completed in ten years.

As a sample of the rush on the part of the small speculator and small farmer for these Florida lands may be cited the cutting up of a big tract near Tampa about a year ago. This was advertised and money came by mail for the five and ten-acre lots from Honolulu, South Africa, Panama, Philippine Islands, Ceylon, in fact, from almost every country in the world, the whole tract being sold out almost immediately. Probably not one man in ten that invested from a hundred to a thousand dollars in this land saw it before purchasing.

Many of the colonies being planted out in the state are doomed to failure and disaster because of the unscrupulousness of their promoters, it is declared. Florida land is spotted. Rich alluvial soil in places lies beside barren sand that will not grow cactus. Many big swamps seem incapable of drainage. Yet many promoters have no care for this.

Documents Filed For Record.

Following is a list of documents filed for record in the county seat, compiled by The Graham County Abstract company:

D H Welch to Robt Ferrier, deed, \$50, beg nw cor lot 3, blk 15, Plat A Pima.

J D Hartzler to Louis Bassert, deed, \$3500, ne 1-4 sec 1-4 sec 7, 8, 26.

A T Thomson to K of P Building Corp, deed, \$100, lot in Clifton.

J T Cauthen to Stephen & Schade, deed, \$500, se 1-4 sw 1-4 sec 17, 6, 31.

L B Elliott to Angela Springer, deed, \$100, lot in blk 15 Hill's add, Clifton.

Fletcher Merrill to Silas P Jenkins, deed, \$1050, beg center stakes sec 2, 6, 24.

J F Erestone to Joseph Greenhalgh, deed, \$1700, beg 19 6 ch w and 10 ch s ne cor se 1-4 sec 18, 7, 26.

Geo J Hatch to Wm Ellsworth, deed, \$1200, ne 1-4 ne 1-4 sec 27, 7, 21.

Jno R Hampton files 4 mining locations in Greenlee Dist.

Walter Hampton files mining location in Greenlee dist.

Geo Webster to Martha Abraham, deed, \$2400, lots 2 and 3, Clifton.

W H Small is appointed administrator for Sylvester Owens, deceased.

Wm R Holland to Frank E Wiltsher, bill of sale, \$1, 4-room house, Morenci.

Tim Chapman to West White, bill of sale, \$200, 3 head of horses.

Theo D Morris to Mascot Min Co, deed, \$20,000, mining claims in Clark dist.

Tom J Brown to Mascot Min Co, deed, \$5000, mining claims in Clark dist.

J T Sanford files mining location in Aravaipa dist.

Articles of incorporation of Calumet Cop Creek Min Co, incorporators, Jno B Wright and W J Garraita, Jr, Copper Creek, Ariz, place of business, capital stock \$5,000,000.

Articles of incorporation of The Duncan Telephone Co, incorporators, E P Shelton, J E Dannagan, W E Spaw, Joe McAllister and L P Vaughn Duncan, Ariz, place of business, capital stock \$50,000.

Belle Brooking to R P Brooking, bill of sale, \$400, the fishhook brand of cattle.

J Allen Chitty to A H Slaughter, bill of sale, \$100, 1-2 int in 200 cattle and 5 horses.

Mrs Ella Chitty to A H Slaughter, bill of sale, \$100, 100 cattle.

J Backstein to L V Hoyt, lease, mining claims of Gold Belt Dev Co.

A F Russell files proof of labor on 3 claim in Ucknowa dist.

O F Hicks is appointed deputy sheriff.

J P Miller files official bond.

Silas P Jenkins to Title Guarantee & Trust Co, deed of trust, \$1200, beg at center stake sec 2, 6, 24.

Paul R Becker to L H Remish, lease, tract of land 40 feet square.

L W French to Dortha R McKenny, deed, \$10, beg at point 49 rds e and 2 1/2 rds s of nw cor nw 1-4 sec 1-4 sec 7, 7, 20.

Jno M Damron to J H Claridge, deed, \$300, e 1-2 lot 1, blk 29, Thatcher Elizabeth Damron, deed, \$10, lot 9, blk 8, Clifton.

Ambrosia Spezia to Virginia G de Galvan, deed, \$70, lot 1, blk 1, Clifton Annie E Lee to Joseph Hamblin, deed, \$300, beg at pt 6 rds e sw cor sw 1-4 ne 1-4 sec 7, 8, 26.

J J Waggoner to Paola Missola et al, deed, \$1, beg 2 1/2 feet e sw cor nw 1-4 ne 1-4 sec 10, 8, 32.

James Plumlee to Paola Missola et al, deed, \$1800, beg 42 ft n sw cor nw 1-4 ne 1-4 sec 11, 8, 32.

Statehood Bill is Presented to Senate.

Senator Beveridge has presented the report of the committee on territories, favoring his bill, in preference to that of the house, granting statehood to Arizona and New Mexico. The report defends the changes made by the committee, especially emphasizing the refusal of the senate bill to recognize the present election law in Arizona, which, it is declared, would disfranchise a large number of the oldest and most substantial citizens of the territory by reason of their inability to interpret the Constitution in English.

The house makes the Arizona election law a test of citizenship, and the house provision is favored by the Democrats which will probably engender the hottest fight. The Republicans declare that the recognition of the election law of the state of Arizona would not be democratic.

Another decided difference in the senate and the house measure is the former for separate elections and ratification of the constitution and election of officers. A precedent is given in the case of Colorado.

Beveridge asserts that the house bill would permit polygamy. The senate bill would allow payments only on bonds ratified by congress, while the house contemplates the payment of all. Schools shall be exclusively English.

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Tempe Judges in Bad.

Action of the judges in the recent territorial oratorical contest held in Tempe has stirred up a regular live sized hornet's nest among the various high schools taking part, and just about the worst sufferer is Bisbee high.

The judges were all composed of Tempe residents, who awarded first place to the Tempe high school and the second place to Globe high. But their most recent action, according to last Saturday's issue of the Tempe Normal Student, the college paper, was to turn around and hold a quiet decision, give Globe first place and Jerome second. This has served to start the participating schools talking all over the territory and the judges may have to face a number of charges. Had they had nerve enough to stick to their first decision it wouldn't have looked so bad, but bad enough; the reversal of their decision makes it worse, placing the board in the light of a referee who reverses a decision or an umpire who does likewise without any apparent cause.

Mesa high school started the ball rolling, filing charges against the judges and then withdrawing their contestant. Bisbee high and two or three more are making plans to take similar action, although in no case will Bisbee's contestant, Myriam Toles, be withdrawn.

As soon as Miss Moyer and Miss Toles arrived at Tempe about the first thing they heard was brags and boasts on the part of the Tempeltes that "Bisbee had come down to bog it all, and they were going to be mistaken." After Miss Toles had spoken she was greeted with about the biggest hand given any contestant, and every unprejudiced person in the hall was of the opinion that she would win first honors easily. While the judges were debating many came around and congratulated both Miss Toles and Miss Moyer upon Bisbee once more showing her oratorical superiority, incidentally remarking that there could be no question about the referee's decision. When this was announced, one could have heard a pin drop and they filed out in silence, almost save for the whooping up done by Tempeltes.

Then talk became pretty warm and when it was rumored Mesa high was to file charges the judges decided to reconsider. They met and left their own high school out of it and gave Globe first, with Jerome second place. Everybody else who had anything to do with the contest are rather warm under the collar and Bisbee about the most torrid of the lot.

Territory's Bit from Insurance Co's.

Secretary George U. Young has completed the collection of the two per cent tax required by law on the total premiums of the business done in the territory by all life, fire, and accident insurance companies, during the year 1909, and paid to the territorial treasurer the amount due \$34,037.30.

The total amount of the premiums on the business done last year was \$1,701,872.07 as against \$1,541,821.72, the preceding year. This shows that \$160,050.35 more business was done by the insurance companies last year than the year before.

The fees accumulating in the office of the secretary through the insurance business of the year amounted to \$4,803.50 one-half of which as required by law, was also turned over to the territorial treasurer. The territory therefore received from the insurance business last year \$36,439.05 at an expense of only \$1500, the salary of Assistant Secretary R. A. Kirk, who has charge of it. Other office help required has to be furnished by the territorial secretary, so that after all is considered he gets very little net remuneration out of the insurance business.

Bare Bones in Boat Suggest Tragedy.

Papago Indians returned from the coast country of Lower California report finding the headless skeleton of a man in a small boat which was beached on the sand, in the Gulf of California. He had no clothes or other means of identification.

It is supposed to be the body of a prospector or scientist exploring the gulf coast, but the theory is that the man came to his death at the hands of the fierce Sieri Indians, reputed to be cannibals, on Tiburon island. The boat was evidently pulled up to the beach by human hands as it was right side up with the skeleton bleaching in the tropical sun, lying as if the body had been backed, beheaded and left in the boat. All efforts to learn the identity of the man here are unavailing. Several scientists, as well as prospectors have gone to the coast country, but none are reported missing.

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