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## EDITORIAL CORRESPONDENCE

Denver, January 14.

Senator Crowley exploded a bomb in the senate Friday, the explosion being in the shape of resolution of inquiring into Simon Guggenheim's senatorial campaign. The resolution recited the current rumors regarding Mr. Guggenheim's use of money to advance his prospects for the U. S. Senate. One Republican senator said he wanted to use profane and vitriolic language to express his opinion of the resolution, but was restrained by the presence of ladies in the senate chamber. Had he not been cramped in the use of words he might have said things which would have precipitated a scrap with the inquisitive horticultural senator from Otero. The Crowley resolution was laid on the table by a party vote, and remembrance thereof was expunged from the record.

Representative Fetzer has introduced a bill to prevent hazing in colleges. Hazing is a cowardly practice and has the same useful relation to education that lynch law has to the administration of justice. Both are an abomination.

Mesa county visitors to Denver caustically criticize their representative, De Long, for introducing a bill for a \$10,000 statute to Wolcott when his energies would be better employed in efforts to relieve Grand Junction of oppressive railway freight discrimination. Freight going through Grand Junction from Chicago to Salt Lake is carried to the city of Mormons (and thinly suppressed polygamy) for \$1.75, while if the shipment is stopped off at Grand Junction its merchants are charged \$2.65. This is only a sample of prevalent robber-like discrimination, which is the duty of the Inter-State Commission to abolish.

Nearly 100 farmers, officers of irrigation companies, attorneys, and members of both branches of the legislature met at the Savory hotel on Thursday to discuss means for preventing pernicious legislation in irrigation matters, and also to hear each others' opinions on desired amendments to the present irrigation laws. Hen. W. B. Ebbert of Rocky Ford presided. It is the purpose of the water users to work for the passage of bills favorable to irrigation rights and to strenuously oppose bills of a nature detrimental to the rights of the water users. The meeting elected an executive committee of three, consisting of F. A. Meredith, of Denver, for the northern district; J. W. Beatty, of Otero from the southern district and F. C. Goudy, representing the western slope. It will be the duty of this committee to keep a close watch on all irrigation bills introduced in either house and to sound the alarm to all the members of the organization represented in the meeting.

While Mayor Speer's administration has been commendable in some features it has been as bad as the worst in other directions.

In his official action relative to the morality of the city Mayor Speer has been actively on the side of the forces of evil. The inauguration of a governor with high ideals on moral questions gave hope to many good citizens that his position would enable him to wipe out many evils which Mayor Speer is allowing to exist in defiance of his oath of office.

A few days ago Gov. Buchtel was approached on this subject and his reply was that he was governor of Colorado and that Denver's special charter prevents him taking part in the affairs of the city.

The News is not satisfied with this position of Gov. Buchtel's and insists that he use his power to suppress open gambling, wine-rooms which are the ruin of

young girls, prize fighting and other evils. The News doubtless has two motives—The good of the city and the embarrassment of the administration. This incident this early in his administration should be a warning to our Methodist governor not to expect two years of rose-embowered picnic in his high executive position. He has started out well. His inaugural insisted upon the legislature enacting much legislation demanded by the people and the platform of the republican party. And he is to be commended for refusing to listen to sentimental pleas for a stay of execution in the case of that worst of brutal murderers, McGarvey. After the courts have given much time to a criminal matter and the accused has had an able defense it is presumptuous for one man, even a governor, to step in and nullify the pains-taking work of that branch of the government whose special duty is the administration of justice.

Denver has a wonderfully elastic political conscience. Last week a large number of business men gave a banquet to Mayor Speer at which his administration was highly praised. Every citizen of Denver who has the brains and enterprise to win a place among business men knows, or ought to know, that Mayor Speer stole the office he now fills; that Hon. J. W. Springer was honestly elected. Yet Denver business men are so hardened by continuous election fraud that they met to honor the incumbent of a stolen office, and this without any sense of encouraging one of the worst of crimes—the corruption of elections.

Next week a largely attended "dry farming" convention will be held in Denver. These gatherings for the purpose of exchanging information and experience are all right, but there is great danger that "dry farming" enthusiasm will induce many men to embark in the business on a large scale and meet with disappointment and loss. There are evidences that railways owning or traversing large bodies of land which must be dry farmed if at all are largely instrumental in working up the interest in this new branch of agriculture. Dry farming is all right, but it needs to be taken with moderation and in homeopathic doses.

H. R. Antes of Montezuma county does not limit his usefulness to attempts to benefit the Navajos and raise the finest apples in Colorado—the profits of his orchard being appropriated to the support of the Navajo mission. Mr. Antes is a public-spirited and enterprising citizen on general principles and is alive to all the movements calculated to advance the interests of Montezuma county. This was evidenced by his activity among notable people in Denver this week, he interviewing railroad and beet sugar magnates with a view of getting them interested in his portion of southwestern Colorado. He had two interviews with high officials of the D. & R. G. railway to impress upon them the magnitude of the undeveloped resources of the Montezuma valley, which under the vivifying and developing influences of railway facilities would rapidly provide large and profitable business for the railway. Mr. Antes' representations favorably impressed the officials and may be the entering wedge for an investigation of the Montezuma valley as an inviting field for railroad extension. But this is not possible he was told, in the present condition of the valley's ditch and irrigation matters, which absolutely forbid the investment of capital.

Getting a cold bath from the railroad people did not discourage Mr. Antes from tackling a beet sugar proposition. In company with the Enterprise writer he called upon Mr. E. C. Howe, general manager of the American Beet Sugar company's many factories, at his office in the Sugar building. Mr. Antes was most cordially received, and, map in hand, presented the geographical situation and the advantages in soil, and climate which the Montezuma Valley possessed for the growth of sugar beets. He found Mr. Howe to have a good knowledge of that portion of the state from reports filed by the company's experts who had made an examination a few years ago. No encouragement was given Mr. Antes as to the building of a sugar factory, Mr. Howe advancing a number of reasons why the further extension of the beet sugar industry was impracticable at this time. The first handicapping feature of the outlook was the reduced tariff on sugar from Cuba and the Philippines, with free sugar from Hawaii and Porto Rico. Not only so, but the Cuban situation threatens to

take on a more damaging phase, as heavy capitalistic influences in New York are active in promoting a movement for the annexation of Cuba, or such protectorate by the United States as shall secure a yet lower tariff on sugar.

These tariff conditions have conspired to make the price of sugar unusually low and no conservative capitalist would today invest in a sugar factory. Only one plant was now under construction in the U. S. and that was under way only because contracts to that effect were entered into a year or more ago. One factory in Nebraska had gone into the hands of a receiver, and losses by others are greatly disappointing to the men who were induced to put money in them by the promise of assured profits. The price of sugar is now one and one-half cents per pound less than it was when the Rocky Ford factory was started. This year that factory will probably make 350,000 bags of sugar. A shrinkage of \$1.50 per sack would mean a reduction of half a million dollars in the market value of the product of one campaign. Only reduced cost of manufacturing enables the company to stand such a great reduction of earnings.

Another discouraging feature of the business was the lower per cent of sugar content which has characterized the beets for the past three years. This was partly due to the plowing up of much alfalfa land for beets, a proceeding which while producing a large tonnage also gave a low per cent of sugar content. The continuous planting of beets on the same fields had the same effect. He was of the opinion that the northern factories would be compelled to amend their contracts so as to include allowing, as enormous losses were incurred in piling up immense quantities of beets unprotected from a freezing temperature.

All things considered the present was a critical period in the beet sugar business and was no time to consider the building of new factories. But if these conditions were not existent the Montezuma valley was not ripe for a factory. It is a mistake to build a factory except in the midst of a thickly settled farming community, where beets can be grown in small acreages by individual farmers. No crop more handsomely responds to careful intensive culture than sugar beets. The more intelligent labor expended on the crop at the right times the greater the profits to the grower.

While emphatically "turned down" as to any early hope of a factory Mr. Antes tendered a vote of thanks to Mr. Howe for his courtesy in making such a clear and satisfactory statement of the situation.

During his stay in Denver Mr. Antes took occasion to renew his old time friendship with Gov. Buchtel and Senator Crowley, and to make a number of new acquaintances among influential members of the general assembly.

T. M. Patterson is now a private citizen, Simon Guggenheim being elected his successor on Tuesday by a practically unanimous vote of the Republicans of both houses, there being only two protesting Republicans.

The Fowler Pure Spring Water Co., seems to be hurrying its piping job with a view to getting the water down to La Junta before the new liquor license year begins, so the town will have one less excuse for going "wet" next election.

Rocky Ford is having a mild attack of the roller skate fever. Like chicken pox and measles it is largely confined to the youngsters. Rather remarkable how dead the fancy for roller skating did drop. Perhaps it was because we had it so bad while it lasted.

An unsigned communication landatory of the retiring pastor of the Christian church, Rev. Nelson, comes to the Enterprise sanctum. Although it does not conform to the rule requiring the signature of the writer there is nothing in it that would offend the least fastidious recipient of fulsome flattery and we would print it but for the fact that the Enterprise has already given the genial gentleman all the halo he can stand up under for the present.

Methodist Protracted Meeting. Protracted meetings will be begun in the Methodist Church on Sunday evening, January 27th. These meetings have been planned for a long time, and the assistance of the noted woman evangelist, Miss E. Stafford Millar of Australia, has been secured. Miss E. Millar is a magnetic speaker, and at the present time is conducting a mission in St. Paul Church Pueblo, from which place she will come to Rocky Ford.

Kansas Reunion. Our Annual Kansas Reunion will be held in K. P. Hall on Saturday, Feb. 9. Come early and don't forget the basket. 54-6 Secretary.

Card of Thanks. I take this opportunity to thank the friends and neighbors for their assistance and sympathy during my wife's sickness and death and for the friends that were at the funeral and accompanied the remains to their last resting place. Milton Reynolds.

Shakespeare at The Grand. Jan. 30, King Richard the Third by John Griffith. A crowded house certain.

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W. R. C. held their monthly social at the home of Mrs. George Todd, Wednesday. There were forty present, including eight comrades. Had a very social time. The Corps members presented their past president with a token of their appreciation of her services, which she received with thanks. Next social will be at the home of Mrs. Robb. A general invitation extended.—Press Correspondent.

Tuesday the American Beet Sugar Co. distributed among the farmers checks aggregating \$175,000, making a total of \$700,000, paid for beets this campaign. Several growers in the vicinity of Rocky Ford received checks of over \$1,000—handsome additions to the bank account of a farmer, or any other citizen.

## Hog Sale.

Look out for C. F. Burke's sale of thoroughbred Duroc Jersey male hogs on the streets of Rocky Ford, Saturday, January 19, at 2 o'clock. Kruger, No 48981 winner of 9 blue ribbons at 2 years old will go in this sale. M. S. Martin, auctioneer.

Notice of Adjustment Day. Estate of Alfred M. Jackson deceased. The undersigned, having been appointed executor of the Estate of Alfred M. Jackson, late of the county of Otero, and state of Colorado, deceased, hereby gives notice that she will appear before the County Court of Otero Co., at the court house in La Junta, in said county on Monday 24th day of Feb'y A. D. 1907, at the hour of 11 o'clock a. m., of said day, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified to appear to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated at La Junta, Colorado, this 2nd day of January, A. D. 1907.

M. E. Jackson, Executor for the estate of Alfred M. Jackson.

ORDINANCE NO. 121. An Ordinance Granting Permission to the Colorado and Eastern Telephone and Telegraph Company, its Successors and Assigns, to Construct, Operate and Maintain its Lines of Telephone and Telegraph, Upon, Along, Over and Under the Highways, Streets and Alleys of the City of Rocky Ford, County of Otero, and BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCKY FORD:

Section 1. That The Colorado and Eastern Telephone and Telegraph Company, its successors and assigns, be and the same is hereby granted the right, privilege and authority to construct, operate and maintain its lines of telephone and telegraph, including the necessary poles, wires and fixtures, upon, along, over and under the highways, streets and alleys of the said city of Rocky Ford, upon the terms and conditions hereinafter provided.

Section 2: All poles shall be erected under the direction and supervision of the Mayor and Streets and Alleys Committee, and all streets or sidewalks that may be disturbed or damaged in the construction of the said lines shall be promptly replaced and repaired by the said company at its own expense and to the satisfaction of the said Mayor and Streets and Alleys Committee, and all poles shall be neat, symmetrical and so located as not to interfere with the public use of said highways.

Section 3: Said Company shall be subject to all ordinances now in force or that may be hereafter passed, relative to the use of the public highways of the said City of Rocky Ford.

Section 4: In consideration of the rights and privileges herein granted the said company shall furnish free of cost to the said city of Rocky Ford space for its fire alarm and police telegraph wires upon all poles erected under this ordinance.

Section 5: Nothing in this ordinance contained shall be construed to grant to the said Company an exclusive franchise and the said city of Rocky Ford hereby reserves the right to grant a like consent to any other company, person or persons for like purposes.

Section 6: Said company shall hold said city of Rocky Ford free and harmless from all damages or claims for damages arising by reason of the erection or negligent maintenance of said poles.

State of Colorado, )  
County of Otero, ) ss  
City of Rocky Ford, )  
I, E. L. McKelvey, City Clerk of the City of Rocky Ford, Otero County, Colorado, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of ordinance number 121, entitled "An Ordinance granting permission to the Colorado and Eastern Telephone and Telegraph Company, its successors and assigns to construct, operate and maintain its lines of telephone and telegraph upon, along, over and under the highways, streets and alleys of the city of Rocky Ford, County of Otero and State of Colorado," duly passed at a regular meeting of the city council of said city of Rocky Ford held in said city on the fourth day of January A. D. 1907, a majority of the whole number of said city council concurring in the passage thereof by the following vote:

Yeas—Belfel, Amos, Morrow, Lawson; Nays—None.

Further that notice on the part of said The Colorado and Eastern Telephone and Telegraph Company to apply for said ordinance or said regular meeting was published for a period of three consecutive weeks the first publication of said notice having been made on the 24th day of November A. D. 1906, and the last publication on the 24th day of November A. D. 1906, said publication having been made in the Rocky Ford Enterprise a newspaper of general circulation in said county published in the city of Rocky Ford and that said period of publication was immediately prior to the aforesaid regular meeting and the said introduction and reading of said ordinance.

That said ordinance was read the second time and passed its second reading at a regular meeting of said city council held on the fourth day of January A. D. 1907, the same having been previously published for three consecutive weeks in the said Rocky Ford Enterprise, the first publication thereof as a proposed ordinance having been in the issue of said newspaper on the thirtieth day of November A. D. 1906 and the last publication thereof having been in the issue of said newspaper on the fourteenth day of December A. D. 1906. That after reading and passing said ordinance by motion duly made, seconded and carried at said meeting suspended the rules of said city council and placed said ordinance upon its third reading and said ordinance was passed the same as hereinbefore set out.

In witness whereof I do hereby affix my hand and official seal to this certificate and attestation this 14th day of January A. D. 1907.

E. L. MCKELVEY, City Clerk of the City of Rocky Ford.

## Notice of Sale of Real Estate

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that in pursuance of an order and decree of sale made and entered by the Judge of County Court of the County of Otero in the State of Colorado, on the 14th day of January, 1907, in the matter of the Estate of Samuel H. Kingery, deceased, and under and by virtue of said order and decree the undersigned Administrator of said Estate will sell at private sale subject to confirmation by the Court, the following described real estate situate, lying and being in the County of Otero and State of Colorado, to-wit:

Lots Four (4) and Five (5) in Block Fourteen (14), in the second filing of the town, now City of Rocky Ford, as designated by the recorded plat of said second filing.

Said sale will be made on Thursday, January 24, 1907, at the hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at the office of R. S. Beall, on Main street in Rocky Ford, Colorado.

Terms of Sale: CASH.

Charles H. Hushaw, Administrator of the Estate of Samuel H. Kingery.

Dated January 9th, 1907.

## SEMI-ANNUAL STATEMENT.

Of the Condition of the State Bank of Rocky Ford Rocky Ford, Colo., at the close of business Monday, Jan'y 7, 1907.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts	\$454,702.13
Overdrafts	4,713.36
Furniture and fixtures	3,282.20
Real estate	424.50
Expenses	5,150.53
Due from National and State banks	70,552.54
Cash and cash items	68,215.81
Total	\$609,021.06
LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in	\$20,000.00
Surplus fund	20,000.00
Undivided profits	25,328.50
Due depositors	310,708.07
Reserve accounts	10,000.00
Total	\$609,021.06

I, E. J. Smith, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear, to the best of my knowledge and belief, that the above is a full, true and complete statement of the affairs of said bank at the close of business on Monday, January 7, A. D. 1907.

E. J. Smith, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10th day of Jan. 1907.

Paul Hardy, Notary Public. My commission expires July 28, 1907.

W. E. Anderson, Proprietor.

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