

Devoted to the Interests of Greenlee County, State of Arizona and Southwestern New Mexico.

FIFTH YEAR

DUNCAN, GREENLEE COUNTY, ARIZONA, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9, 1913

41st WEEK

Clifton News

Ah, but listen to this ye beautiful ladies of Clifton: The advent of the gentle sex in Arizona's political plain, was in Clifton, last Saturday, the occasion of much that was interesting, for as the world has always known, anything that concerns ladies is always sweetly and undeniably interesting. In Clifton the office of school trustee fell vacant, and the mere men of the town, ably assisted by their gentle superintendents, marched to the polls, there to exercise the choice, that by inherent right has always belonged to the wicked males, and now, thank goodness, is possessed by the real rulers of this old world. But now our theme becomes tinged with a vein of sadness. Mr. Kelly, who has always been possessed of a reputation of discreet judgment, was so embarrassed by the presence of so much feminine beauty, that he actually asked the ages of the ladies. Now, it is not that the ladies are old, for a lady in the opinion of a gallant man, and Mr. Kelly is a gallant man, never is possessed of that elusive quality called age. But, the fact remains that no man has any right to ask the age of any lady. It is thought not unlikely that this foolish indiscretion of Mr Kelly is a most enough to cause him to lose his chances of success, before this deplorable occurrence unusually good, in the next election. Mr Kelly, your duty both as a man and as an office seeker, is to repair this injury to the bright flowers of Clifton's womanhood, and at the first opportunity. Do your duty, not only for the sake of what a man owes to lovely woman, but also for the sake of gaining that next election.

The names of the Clifton ladies who have the distinction of being the first to register as qualified voters in that city, are as follows: Cora Kerby, wife of James H. Kerby, county tax assessor; Mollie Inglis, wife of T. B. Ingles, assistant cashier of A. C. Co.; Nettie Webster, wife of George Webster, supervisor of Greenlee county; Katherine Horton, wife of E. V. Horton, district attorney; Matilda Hutchins, wife of W. R. Hutchins, engineer; Lucy Kerby, sister of J. E. Kerby, county tax assessor; Emma Trumppas, principal Hill's Addition school; Mrs. F. H. Springer, wife of F. H. Springer. Well, here's to the political femininity of the mining town of Clifton. God bless the ladies. Come to Duncan.

The School election of District No. 3 of Clifton for the election of one trustee proved to be the most interesting and enthusiastic one ever held in Clifton. The names of the candidates for the office of trustee to fill the vacancy of the expired term of John Grimes were as follows: John Grimes, C. H. Love, Walter Tappin and E. M. Williams. Numerous circulars and cards were distributed about the town in behalf of the election of E. M. Williams, stores manager of the Arizona Copper Co. Ltd., but after the count, the result shows that the people's and ladies' choice differed. Results are as follows:

Voting Places			
Candidates	School	Hills Add.	Total
Grimes	43	165	208
Love	60	20	80
Tappin	20	13	33
Williams	1	16	17

The departure of Mr. Howard for Bisbee this week was regretted by every citizen. Mr. Howard is a man who is easily recognized as a good citizen, no matter where he may go. We have a strong hope that we may again count him as one of our own.

New Methodist Church

The Methodist people of Duncan have begun breaking dirt this week for the new church building. They are going to rush the work as fast as possible with the expectation of completing the building within three weeks. The plans are drawn for a strong frame structure to be made of the best material the Duncan Lumber Co. can get. This building will be well proportioned and attractive, but with a neat and modest finish both inside and outside. The well known Mr. Massey, contractor for the new K. P. Hall, will have charge of the building. The dimensions of this building are as follows: 28 ft x 44 ft with 14 ft ceiling; with a corner entrance and vestibule 8 ft x 10 ft and a steeple 8 ft x 8 ft to project above the roof of building; two Sunday school rooms 10 ft x 10 ft inclined floor, a large oval window in the front. The foundation of this building will extend two feet above the ground surface. When the church is complete it will be nicely furnished with handsome pews, carpets, pulpit stands and other furnishings and decorations suitable for the latest and most progressive church of today. Duncan demands the best.

P. R. ACUFF, Pastor.

Prosperous Duncan

In Duncan there is also a good brick school building of four rooms, a good weekly paper that keeps the people posted on local happenings, and a bank that has been more instrumental in local development than anything else. It has a capital of \$15,000, a reserve of nearly \$3,000, deposits of nearly \$30,000. Captain B. E. Lanneau is the cashier and it is conducted on broad yet conservative lines. The institution is owned by local men who made their money right here. There probably is not another such section of country in the United States that owes so little of its development to outside capital. Nearly everybody came here for the cattle men wrested the ranges from the Indians and the farmers brought their homes from nature. Owing to the number of rich mines and large reduction works in the county, it has the lowest rate of taxation in the state, and this will be further reduced in 1913, as orders have been given to assessors to tax everything at its full value; which will be to the advantage of the man who does not own as much as his rich neighbor. The corporations have heretofore been getting off light.

The Ocean to Ocean Highway comes through Duncan, this being the next town after Silver City in Grant County, N. M., going west, and open route all the year round.

A good substantial iron wagon bridge across the Gila river has just been completed and is the first bridge from the source of the river, and the second wagon bridge over it in this state.

Duncan is the center of one of the richest open stock ranges in the southwest. The grandeur of its trees and the verdure of its grain and alfalfa fields and market gardens gladdens the heart of the traveler. Sunstroke is unknown; summers always pleasant and winters delightful.

If any person would like to hear any more about Duncan, I will be glad to answer any question. J. L. T. WATERS, Postmaster.

Where is Uncle Joe?

Fragrant cigars at Spaw's.

You have our permission to shed your flannel when you want to. It will be warmer next month.

Death of B. F. Wilson

The death of Mr. B. F. Wilson, last Sunday evening at 9 o'clock, has cast a gloom over the entire Duncan section. Mr. Wilson was in comparatively good health until a just few minutes before his death, which was caused by heart failure. He suffered an attack of pneumonia this past winter, yet it was hoped he would be spared for several years to come. Notwithstanding his advanced age, nearly 88 years, Mr. Wilson was of a very strong physique, and enjoyed his faculties until the last. He is survived by several children: B. A. Wilson, Edward Wilson, Mrs. Duncan Thomas, Mrs. McGuire and Miss Myrtle Wilson, all of whom are residing in this section. Those of his children who do not reside here, are Mrs. Crisp, of New Orleans; Mrs. Sweet and Mrs. Inman, of Kentucky. Mr. Wilson was of the finest type of citizenship; his religion was one of kindness and mercy to all. It is well that such men live; their lives are an encouragement to the rest of us. Mr. Wilson came to Duncan from Colorado several years ago. He was a lifetime member of the Baptist church. In their sadness the sorrowing widow and children have the sympathy of the entire community.

A sure indication of our commercial activity is to be found in the swarms of traveling salesmen that infest our streets every day. These active disciples of the principles of the Jews are to be envied in regard to the fruitful field they have found in Duncan. Like Silverstein, they see a sale, but unlike him, they also make that sale.

Men's and boys' shoes of the highest class at the lowest prices. G. W. Phillips. 38tf

Advisory Election Urged

To The Duncan Arizonian:
I am anxious to see an advisory election held in Arizona at earliest practicable date in order that the people may have an opportunity to express their choice for federal judges. Constitutional amendment allowing the people directly to choose their senators will soon be ratified by the required number of the states and surely the people have the same right to make an expression as to their choice for federal judge especially in view of the fact that the federal judge holds his position for all practical purposes for life. Will you kindly, through the medium of your paper, urge that proper petitions be prepared, signed and filed calling for advisory election, to the end that the two senators from Arizona may present to the president of the United States the name of the gentleman who'll be the people's choice. Kindly publish this telegram and any co-operation or assistance you can give in bringing about the advisory election in order that the people may have an opportunity to vote in this matter, will be earnestly appreciated by me. I wish an advisory election might be held to ascertain the people's choice on all federal appointments in Arizona. H. F. ASHURST, U. S. Senator.

The Arizonian sees no reason that the people should be prevented from expressing their choice for any office that affects them. However, choice should be made after very mature deliberation. We would be glad to see such an advisory election as Senator Ashurst mentions, held throughout Arizona.

Rev. Watt was in town from his ranch home this week.

Orange Blossoms

All the world loves a lover. And besides, all lovers love the maidens of their choice. From everywhere there comes the joyful news that Duncan is happy that the time has come when two more of its old families have been, though marriage, united with ties that will bind forever. On last Tuesday evening, at the home of the bride's brother, Mr. Cosper, with Justice Bullard officiating, Mr. Thos. Chilton was united in marriage with Miss Maude Cosper. The only regret of their numerous friends was that they should choose privacy in this sacred ceremony. Mr. Chilton is a young man who has the friendship of all the good people of the entire Duncan country where he has spent the years of his life, and where his family has the distinction of being among the founders of the prosperous state we enjoy today. His happy bride has gained the love and admiration of all the people of her acquaintance, because of her sunny disposition and gentle ways of kindness. Miss Cosper, through several years of courteous accomodation of the patrons of the Duncan postoffice gained the admiration of the every patron of this institution. It is well to say that the good wishes of all the Duncan people go out to these happy young folk, who have bravely entered on the matrimonial sea. It is not well that their many friends should wish them happiness, for the happiness is already theirs.

Spaw sells fine whiskies.

The construction of the new Methodist church is rapidly nearing completion.

Mr. Sanders was in town yesterday.

Captain Lanneau returned from Clifton Monday.

Day-Foster Interests Sold

The large interests belonging to the Day-Foster Co. have been sold to Mr. Dodson, of Nevada. This property consists of the largest farms, orchards and ranches in this section of Arizona. A large portion of the country between here and Lordsburg is stocked with the large herds of cattle belonging to the Day-Foster people. Mr. Day, one of the principal owners and who developed the property, will continue to reside in his California home. He is to be credited with much constructive work in the Gila valley country and was one of the earliest settlers in this region. Nearly every enterprise owes its importance in this section to him a large part of its inception and successful existence. Messrs. Foster will make their headquarters in Duncan, and it is well that we will not lose these progressive citizens. They will continue in connection with the property they have sold, with perhaps extensive interests in other lines. These gentlemen are rancemen of a fine type, being known as men of great ability in their line of work. The largeness of this deal will not be appreciated by those who do not know of the vast amount involved. No history of the Duncan country could be written without a liberal mention of the Day-Foster property. The consideration has not been stated, yet it must run into the hundreds of thousands. The deal was made for cash. Duncan extends to the new owner the heartiest congratulations in regard to his possession of this valuable property and it is hoped he will make his home with us.

Work is in progress on the new civic building.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Mr. Lynn went to Clifton this week.

Mr. Parks is in town this week from his ranch.

Miss Clark and mother, this week moved into their new home.

Capt. Lanneau expects to make a business trip to Clifton the last of the week.

Mrs. James Gale, who has been ill for some time, is still in a serious condition.

Bart Tipton and Floyd Hightower went to Clifton, on business, Saturday.

Men's and Boys' shoes of the highest class at the lowest prices. G. W. Phillips. 38t

Dr. Briley, one of our progressive young physicians, made a business trip to Clifton this week.

Miss Maude Gooch is expected home this week, after a protracted visit to numerous friends in Oklahoma.

Our popular Mr. Evans went to Clifton Sunday, concerning business with the Greenlee county supervisors.

Harry Fiddler has installed a completely equipped bath room in the rear of his barber shop. He is now prepared for his work with one of the finest tonsorial parlors to be found in this section.

Mesdames Kemp and Cook are expecting to be ready for their opening of ladies' fashionable apparel within a few days. This establishment will be well received by the ladies of the Duncan.

It is likely that Mr. Billingsley will attend the Good Roads convention at Birmingham, Ala.

Campbells for ladies and children's hats 38tf

Dr. Moore was called, on Tuesday of this week, to attend Mrs. George Allen, seriously burned on the face, through an explosion of a bottle containing carbolic acid. The injuries, though painful are not serious.

Mild summer drinks at Spaw's.

Mr. Swain, from Morenci, was here this week, visiting his wife who is at present residing in Duncan for the benefit of her health. From here Mr. Swain went to Needles, Calif., where he will remain several weeks before returning to his home at Morenci.

The stockholders of the Duncan Building Association have decided to erect their handsome new civic building upon the lot adjoining the Bank of Duncan. This is indeed a wise selection for no more beautiful location could be found than this. The building, with the beautiful bank building adjoining, will add greatly to the commercial looks of Duncan.

Hotel Arrivals

The following were registered at the Duncan Hotel during the past week:
R E Kohler, El Paso; B I Jones, Safford; I B Ash, Joe Bronston, S C Porter, Lordsburg; C W Macks; H L Pohnurst and wife, Globe; E Bishop, St. Louis; J O Forbes, El Paso; Chas. F Lettman, San Francisco; J W Tomson, Safford; Allan H Tesley, Linasas City; S F Mills, El Paso; Ka I M Harcrow, Lordsburg; A Mrsightfoot, Phoenix; J A Wiley, El Lir City; O E Tuft, Phoenix; Silveyan, El Paso; J T McDaniel, J T Rd J F Johnson, Los Angeles; Glaze, Phoenix; H Ales; D G W Caudry and J F Owsley, St. Louis; H O Wagus, Peterso City; E L Adamson, Los Kansas; J B O'Leary, Newark, Angelesley Briggs, Phoenix; N J; Haney; R Robinson, Jack W H Dond Chas. E Bruff, Santa Rita, N M.

Tom Chilton went to Sheldon Monday.

Mrs. Harris visited Mrs. Parks at the Parks Ranch, last Monday.

Oh, hark, oh, hear, how sweet and clear, the wedding bells so softly ringing.

Messrs. Turney and Evans are engaged in surveying on the public roads across the bridge from Duncan.

Mr. Gooch has returned from the Parks ranch, where he was employed in erecting a house on Mr. Park's property.

Mr. Kerby, one of the rising young statesmen of the County of Greenlee, and who is at present tax assessor of the same county, was a business-like arrival from Clifton Monday.

Harry Fiddler, our popular tonsorial artist, is making more improvements to his already well appointed shop. Nothing is too good for the customers of Mr. Fiddler.

Three of Duncan's most gracious ladies, Mrs. Wilkey and Misses Maude Cosper and Dora Beavers, made a pleasant trip up the Gila Sunday, where they visited at the home of Mr. J. E. Cosper and wife.

Just received, ladies' and childrens' Spring and Summer Hats. 38t I. F. & M. E. Campbell.

There are many rumors in the air, to the effect that this horse can beat that horse, also that a horse can beat this horse. It is a fact that half a dozen races are scheduled to come off in Duncan during the next few weeks.

Work is beginning on the handsome building of the Duncan Building Association. This building will be worth all the efforts of its builders. Let these same progressive men turn their energies toward the building of a hotel which will be more commensurate with Duncan's needs.

I am going out of business and will sell very cheap for cash 38tf John D. Harrison. Dealer in general merchandise.

Miss Capitola Gooch has returned home, after a visit to Twin Peaks.

It is proposed that all the ditch stockholders of this section unite for the purpose of consolidating their property into a whole. It is considered advisable to build a dam across the Gila, and thus irrigate thousands of acres that are at present without the reviving effect of water. It is also thought that such an arrangement would be of a distinct advantage to the owners of land that is already under irrigation.

The proprietors of the Duncan Meat Market are equipping their shop with a refrigerator of the largest size. The carpenter work is being done by Mr. Clem, one of the most skilled carpenters in the Duncan country. Messrs. Sullivan and Cosper, the owners of this shop state that their market ships more than \$2,000. This includes all shipments from their shop here to the towns up and down the valley. All these products are grown in the rich valley of the Gila. Such prosperity.

A business change of considerable importance was the transfer of the City Meat Market, from its former owner, Mr. W. W. Lynn, to Mr. C. A. Spiller, who is a market man of long experience. Mr. Lynn will not leave Duncan but will reside here as in the past. Mr. Lynn has extensive interests both here and in Clifton, where he conducts a splendid shop. Lynn buys live stock in the rich Duncan Valley, and ships it to the barren, but wealthy, mining camps above Duncan. Mr. Spiller is welcomed to the business life of Duncan.