

THE WILLIAMS NEWS

Volume 24

WILLIAMS, COCONINO COUNTY, ARIZONA. THURSDAY, JUNE 29, 1916

Number 31

WILLIAMS HOME GUARD ORGANIZED

At a public meeting of Williams citizens held in the city hall last Monday night steps were taken to organize a Home Guard. The Supervisors of Coconino County have offered to furnish equipment for such an organization.

A result of the meeting was a committee of three, T. F. Maddock, Geo. McDougall and Chas. Button, on organization. This committee will select those really fit for Home Guard membership, provide officers and start the drilling so necessary for the efficient coordination of guard members.

A committee of ten was also provided for, five to be Americans and five to be Mexicans, whose duty will be to establish and maintain a friendly feeling between the Americans and Mexicans of Williams. It was realized by all present at the meeting that the interests of both American and Mexican in Williams are identical. It is in the interest of all that law shall be respected and that order shall obtain. The only danger to be feared is that some irresponsible person, either American or Mexican, shall thru some rash act precipitate a clash. This clash might be between Americans as the result of factional spirit or it might be between Americans and Mexicans as the result of race prejudice, but whatever the cause, it was felt by the meeting that there should be a semi-military organization to take care of it in the interest of law and order and the general good.

The five Americans appointed on the committee of conciliation are T. F. Maddock, Bobby Burns, R. A. Nickerson, F. M. Gold and Geo. McDougall. The Mexican members will be Jesus Quijada and four others to be selected by him. The meeting adjourned subject to call of Marshall Bobby Burns.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Sunday, July 2.
10 A. M. Sunday School
11 A. M. Holy Communion and Sermon.

It is planned on the following Sunday, July 9, to have both a morning and an evening service.

Notice

You are hereby notified by the Williams Town Council that an annual street tax of two dollars hereby levied on each and every able bodied male inhabitant not exempt by the laws of the State of Arizona, over the age of twenty one years and under the age of fifty years residing within the corporate limits of the town of Williams, according to ordinance No. 83 of said town.

Your street tax is now due and payable at the office of the town clerk or to Bobby Burns town tax collector.

Jerry Lee
Town Clerk

June 15-29

Meeting of Wool Growers

The annual meeting of The Arizona Wool Growers Association for the election of officers, an executive committee, and for such other business as may come before it, will be held in the court house at Flagstaff, Arizona, at 8:30 o'clock A. M. on Wednesday, July the fifth, 1916.

It is earnestly urged that all members be present, as well as all sheep men in the State who are interested, or contemplating joining the association.

H. J. Gray President
L. F. Verkamp, Secretary

RECRUITING IN WILLIAMS

Lieutenant Chas. R. Price, U. S. A. was in Williams three days this week recruiting for the benefit of the Arizona National Guard. Arizona's regiment lacks several hundred of being full, on a war basis. The regiment contains ten companies of 150 to the company, when full. At the present time the strength of the regiment is only about 1,100. Lieut. Price is filling it by recruits gathered from different parts of the states. Five recruits were obtained in Williams.

SOCIAL ITEMS

Mr. F. P. Savage was up from Winslow Sunday to visit his family.

Mrs. McDonald Robinson gave a 10 o'clock breakfast last Saturday in honor of Miss Bush of Indianapolis who was her guest for a day.

Miss Minnie Drennan is spending the summer with Miss Pauline Jones at the Hamilton Ranch, Garland Prairie.

Miss Margaret Dermont returned Sunday morning from Grand Canyon where she had been visiting for a few days.

Dr. Miller and E. J. Nordyke drove in from Los Angeles Sunday night. These gentlemen have been touring California by auto.

F. M. Gold drove a party out to the Sitgreaves Sunday to view the forest fire raging on the back of the mountains. The fire was making progress and taking all before it.

A Pleasure Trip To Canyon

Several autos loaded with Williams people made the trip to Grand Canyon last Sunday, on pleasure bent. Drivers were Dr. Melick, Mrs. Melick, Fred Andrew, Mrs. Dr. Miller and F. E. Lowe.

Mr. Charlie Willis accompanied by Mrs. Willis, Mr. and Mrs. Monaghan and Mrs. Kennerdell motored out to the neighborhood of Kendrick Mountains Sunday. They drove thru Spring Valley on the way and report farmers fields in the Valley green and flourishing. The Kendrick Peak forest fires were smoldering but apparently pretty well burned out.

THE METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday was a very interesting day at the church last Sunday. The pastor is rapidly regaining his health and is again in the full swing of his work.

It will be the first Sunday in July on the next sabbath. The Sunday School has a special programme and there will be a special effort made to make all the day the very best. The Pastor will speak on: "In the House of the Potter, with un-moulded clay", at the morning hour; at the evening hour he will speak of "The hand-writing on the wall". There will be splendid music at all of these services.

The Epworth League will begin at 7:30 and will close at 7:55 for the summer months. A short spicy service will be held each evening before the hour of worship.

We want you to find a hearty welcome to all these services. All strangers will be especially welcome. Come among us and we will endeavor to help you.

Methodist Pastor.

PERSONAL & LOCAL

For Rent: Small cottage. \$5. a month. Inquire at the News.

Pictures frames made to order at Plummer's Cash Store.

J. M. Holub went to Flagstaff last Tuesday on business.

Mr. Dick Connor has recently become the owner of a new Buick.

Try a Lover's Delight, or a Bill Williams Special, at Lebsch's Phoenix milk and cream. Telephone 58. Albert Lebsch. tf.

For quick reliable transfer service by auto truck see or phone W. J. Parker. Phone No. 43. 6-15-tf.

Miss Myrtle Juhl of Babbitt-Polsons has been promoted to the position of Bill Clerk.

Duffy Brothers have put on a new auto delivery truck. They chose the "Vim."

Miss Bush of Indianapolis spent a few days last week at the home of McDonald Robinson.

Will Dr. Jeffries join the Home Guard after the cold douche his military ambition received at home?

Miss Alice Ort, daughter of Mr. C. W. Ort of the Postal Telegraph Co., has accepted the position of Cashier at Babbitt-Polsons.

A sheep deal of considerable magnitude is on between Williams parties, but the News has been unable to get the details so far.

Levi Montgomery came in from Los Angeles on No. 22, Wednesday. He has been attending the Los Angeles Polytechnic for the past year.

Elbert Robinson has returned from the military school at Los Angeles which he has attended for the past year.

Mr. Jacob Buss from north of McEllan was in Williams Monday attending to some matters of business.

An attractive looking pergola has been erected in front of the office of the Forest Service. Covered with vines it will add to the pleasure and comfort of those occupying the office.

J. F. Daggs & Sons loaded out 1,600 head of lambs for the Kansas City market Monday. The shipment was accompanied by J. F. Daggs who will visit Boston in the interest of wool sales before he returns.

Marshal Bobby Burns returned last Sunday from Los Angeles where he went to consult a specialist in regard to his health. While not fully recovered, Marshal Burns is feeling better and has resumed the duties of his office.

The trial in Judge Twitty's court of the Mexican, Francisco Herdado for assaulting his fellow Mexican, Manuel Velasquez, was decided in the defendant's favor. The jury was out only a short time when they returned a verdict of not guilty.

Enjoy Three Days Encampment

The Boy Scouts enjoyed a three days encampment beginning last Friday. They camped at their old camping ground on Gus Polson's old homestead, just west of the Ranger Station. Their new boat was launched on the old "government" tank on Mr. Polson's place, and was the source of a great deal of pleasure for the boys. Another encampment is planned for the latter part of July. The boys will continue their Saturday hikes in the meantime.

THE ASSESSED VALUATIONS OF COCONINO COUNTY

The development of Coconino county is very limited as yet but the assessor finds a good deal in values as shown by the following statement. The next ten years will show an enormous increase.

Values Found By Assessor	
Live stock on ranches	\$2,485,198.
Land in cultivation	130,925.
Improvements on land in cultivation	27,440.
Grazing land	731,936.
Improvements on grazing land	54,283.
Horses, mules and Asses	253,956.
Cattle	2,361,330.
Sheep	3,999,838.
Town lots, banks and stores	2,000,000.
Railroads	8,073,770.
Other public service corporations	167,346.
All other property	2,000,000.
Total	\$22,286,022.

TWO LARGE FOREST FIRES

Since the middle of last week forest fires have been raging on and about Kendrick Peak and in the Sitgreaves Mountains. At the present writing, Tuesday P. M., they are practically out. These fires are the worst the Forest Service has had to deal with. Fire-fighting has been continuous for nearly a whole week with all the fighting forces that could be mustered. The areas burned over are, approximately, 1,200 acres for the Sitgreaves and 1,700 acres for Kendrick Peak.

Not much saw timber was burned by these fires, but a great many young trees were killed. This young timber was thick and protected the mountain slopes very effectually from denudation. With the trees gone the slopes are exposed to wash and the consequence will be that the slopes will not be productive of anything of use but, on the contrary, will hasten the waterfall down the canyons and tend to increase the destruction of floods.

Forest fires are caused by human carelessness—one does not like to think ever by design. These fires which have just ravaged the Sitgreaves and Kendrick Peak, should be a warning to everyone who by any chance might be responsible for a forest fire to be very careful in the future.

Town Pasture Expensive

All stock owners are hereby notified that the ordinance covering the running at large of stock in the Town of Williams will be strictly enforced. The penalties described will make pasturing of stock in Williams expensive. Stock owners, please take notice.

Bobby Burns,
Town Marshal.

Mr. W. E. Smith of Pitman Valley was in Williams Tuesday on business. Mr. Smith reports potatoes on his farm looking very well and oats, too, are coming along satisfactorily.

Two More Delightful Concerts

The Barnes Band gave two more of its delightful concerts, the first of the week. One was given on Sunday afternoon from six to seven o'clock, and the other on Monday during the same hours. The one given Monday was given for the special benefit of the recruiting officer, Lieutenant Price who was in Williams on that day. The band has been especially busy for the last few weeks, preparing for the Flagstaff celebration at which it has been engaged to play.

NEITHER BONDS NOR SPECIAL TAX REQUIRED

Williams people especially Williams tax payers will be rejoiced to learn that the proposed addition to the school building will require neither bonds nor special tax.

There is, fortunately, a fund on hand of \$2,000 which is available for the new school building. A little later money will come from the Forest Service, derived from timber sales. The Williams State Bank will furnish all necessary funds for the short period before the Forest Service money is available.

The school board has been in something of a quandary just what to do to secure more school room, but they have now decided to add to the present building and not buy another building as has been contemplated.

It is the intention of the school board to have the addition ready for occupancy by the beginning of the new school year.

NOTICE

The Surgical Dressing Committee will not meet on Tuesday, July 4th, but will meet one week from that day at the Gate-way Club.

GRAND CANYON ITEMS

Mr. H. M. Whiting of Williams, visited the Canyon Sunday.

Miss Mayme Rowe who has just finished high school in Oakdale, California, has returned to visit her father S. Rowe, a pioneer of this country. During her stay Miss Rowe will be at the Grand View hotel.

Colonel Lockridge, Chief Justice Francis, Shorty the Guide, and Bob Fix, the cow punch, have returned from a goat riding expedition to Flagstaff. Having ridden that frisky animal successfully they emerged full grown Elks—by what magic the uninitiated dare not ask. They bring back tales, on the other fellow of course, which augur well for a jolly fourth of July at Flagstaff, which is to be celebrated under the auspices of the Elks Lodge.

C. Hancock in the Stutz "Scout Car" stopped at Grand Canyon last week on the trip from Los Angeles to Phoenix.

L. L. St. John, who is making the trans continental trip from Los Angeles to New York in a Chevrolet automobile, viewed the wonders of the Canyon on the 20th.

Last Friday, the Mason's Home Band, a group of lads from the Texas Masonic Home for orphaned children visited Grand Canyon.

FISH FOR ARIZONANS

In another place in this issue of the News appears the announcement of the annual distribution of fish to individuals by the Bureau of Fisheries. This means Arizonans as well as others. Now there are a great many tanks in Arizona, large and small, and everyone capable of supporting fish should be stocked. In construction of tanks this that should be in mind. How may the volume of stored water be such that it will provide a lasting home for fish. If necessary, go to a little more expense and make a fish pound.

Those who have already, ponds which may be used for propagating and growing fish, should take advantage of this opportunity to stock them.

WOODROW WILSON CLUB ORGANIZED

That the Democrats of Williams are alive and are going to take a lively interest in the forth coming campaign was amply attested at the Gate-way Club room last Saturday evening, when a number of the faithful, both ladies and gentlemen, met for the purpose of organizing a Woodrow Wilson Club. It was announced in the News last week that a club would be organized, and after the picture show the meeting was called to order and F. M. Gold was elected chairman and Smith Beck secretary. In stating the object of the organization emphasis was laid upon the fact that the club was not to be in any sense a partisan organization, but as indicated by its name—strictly a Woodrow Wilson Club. The constitution as later adopted, in defining the eligibility of members, states that anyone who is a citizen of Coconino county and announces their determination to vote for Wilson, regardless of other political affiliation, is entitled to become a member.

A committee on constitution and by-laws consisting of Messrs Barnes, Parker and Williams was then appointed. While the committee were out the meeting was addressed by Hon. George Olney, of Phoenix, candidate for Democratic nomination for Governor. While Mr. Olney, as he, himself, admits, is in no sense an orator, still by his quiet, forceful and gentlemanly manner he made many friends while here. The committee having announced its readiness to report, the constitution and by-laws were then read and adopted.

Nomination for the various offices created by the constitution were then called for, and the following officers were elected; W. M. Hughes, president; W. O. Church, first vice president; Mrs. R. C. Wente, second vice president; Edward Conway, third vice president; Mrs. Steven Quinn, fourth vice president; J. M. Holub, fifth vice president; Mrs. Ethel Paet Nordyke, sixth vice president; John R. Sweeney, secretary and treasurer.

Committee consisting of Mr. S. George Barnes, Mrs. Jean Dye, Mrs. W. M. Hughes, W. S. Parker, George Barnes and L. S. Williams was appointed to solicit members. Fifty three members, a number of whom were republicans, were enrolled.

Stock Ranch At A Bargain

A good stock ranch known as the Hadstate Ranch 2 miles west of Williams; 2 running springs near house and good size tank. This ranch will be sold at a bargain. Inquire of S. O. Miller, Williams, Ariz. 6 29, 7 6

Trespasser Ejected

Miss Maud Barry returned to her homestead last week after a two days stay at the Canyon to find one of Mr. Sam Moore's horses in her cistern. While in search of water, Maudy, a white raw-boned animal, had gone thru the top of the cistern and there she remained amid vegetables, meat and butter which had been hung near the water. A ladder was offered her but she refused to risk her precious neck on such a thing. At last with a block and tackle, she was ejected. After a dazed look around she took to the road and left with a huge cloud of dust behind.