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The People Be Damned

The vote of the majority of the house of representatives last night to ratify Antonio T. Chaves as member from Sierra county was a fitting culmination for the whole cheap, sordid and ugly exhibition of lawlessness given by the majority under the whip of the coal dictators and other little bosses. Antonio T. Chaves has about as much right to the seat from Sierra county as Emiliano Zapata or Johnny Conway. By his own showing he was defeated for the position by a large majority and the caucus doesn't even claim he was elected. This is certainly the final crowning capstone of political hoodlumism.

Everything is now lovely. Four representatives chosen by the voters have been sandbagged and if all of the majority don't stand hitched it will be easy to knock out a few more.

The majority is awfully tough. It wears its hat low over its eyes, carries its jaw undershot and swaggers terribly. It would just as lief go right up to the governor and paste him in the eye as not.

"To hell with the State," it says. "What the caucus says goes with us. We are going to take this governor and back him up into a corner and jam him in the optic. If any guy gets funny we'll put him to sleep, see?"

The new state of New Mexico ought to be proud and happy over this pretty spectacle as a boy with a new pair of boots. The county of Bernalillo, with its beautiful new High School, its University, its modern country schools, its culture and its bustling commercial life, its progress and its ambition ought to be proud and happy. It has the Honorable Modesto Ortiz to represent its ideals and to look after its vital interests in the law-making body.

The county of Sierra, a pushing, developing, rich county of mines and farms and ranches, should be pleased with its choice for law-maker popular and respected by all, regardless of politics, elected by an overwhelming majority, kicked insultingly out by a ring of schemers headed by corrupt bosses. The bailiwick of Union, populated with hustling, progressive farmers and ranchers and business men, should be enthusiastic because a political "jimmy" has been used to steal its representative from it. One of these was elected by over 200 majority and it was only claimed that some 50 fraudulent votes were cast.

The whole sorry spectacle must be a source of pride to such men as Judge Mann, of Bernalillo county, Republican floor leader, when he reflects to what end he has used his undoubted ability and talents; ability which could render service to his country and state of inestimable value.

The speaker, Mr. Romero, must be gratified in the manner in which he has carried out the bland pledges he made at the beginning of the session; Nestor Montoya, who earnestly asked for the elimination of "political horseplay," appealed for harmony and patriotism and then voted for ruffianism, must point with pride.

This newspaper gave the majority every show in the world. We took their buncombe at its face value, praised them for their specious pledges and suspended judgment.

We trust that none of them thinks for a minute that we swallowed any of their promises. We shall

continue with the other uncollared and unafraid newspapers of the state to expose to the fullest light of the day every successive step taken by this little aggregation in taking revenge upon the governor and brow beating and insulting the minority and the great rich counties, constituting half the state which they represent. We believe they are going the limit: and we intend to see that nothing is missing from the lurid record which is going to emblazon the destruction of the Republican party in New Mexico.—Santa Fe New Mexican, Jan. 23.

Announcement

Hugh J. Collins and C. L. Collins wish to announce that they have associated themselves together in a partnership styled "Collins & Collins, Lawyers," with offices over the First National Bank of Clayton, at the head of the stairway leading to the Land Office; that hereafter this firm will attend to matters coming up in the United States Land Office in addition to regular Court practice.

Baptist Services

for Sunday, January 31, 1915.
9:45 a.m. Sunday School.
11:00 a.m. Morning worship.
Sermon by the pastor, "Lessons from the Judges."
6:45 p.m. Young People's Meeting.
7:45 p.m. Sermon, "The Unconscious Loss of Power."
Prayer meeting on Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock.
J. Q. Herrin, Pastor.

Lists of Jurors

Judge T. D. Lieb of Raton, was in Clayton Wednesday for the purpose of drawing the grand and petit jurors for the spring term of district court which convenes the first Monday in March. Following is the lists of jurors drawn:

GRAND JURORS

Pedro Padillo, pet. 6; Gus Brandt, pet. 13; Emeterio Flores, pet. 3; Juan B. Arellano, pet. 2; Wm. McFadden, pet. 19; Lewis Booth, pet. 7; J. C. Ryan, pet. 3; Justo Pacheco, pet. 16; D. A. Adams, pet. 1; Fred Taylor, pet. 7; Patricio Romero, pet. 17; Nicanor Arguello, pet. 10; Amelio Gonzales, pet. 9; H. J. Hammond, Jr., pet. 1; Jacobo Casados, pet. 11; J. M. Alexander, pet. 1; Geo. Burnside, pet. 1; Jim Duran, pet. 1; Louis Lucero, pet. 1; Wm. Woolford, pet. 19; Lon Cash, pet. 1; Torribio Martinez, pet. 5; Jose G. Casados, pet. 1; Vicentio Romero, pet. 3; J. C. Collins, pet. 16; Palamon Ortiz, pet. 1; Antonio S. Garcia, pet. 1.

LIST PETIT JURORS

Juan Duran, pet. 2; H. J. Farr, pet. 3; Guy Slack, pet. 2; Nicomedo Garcia, pet. 1; James Walker, pet. 19; Lewis Medina, pet. 3; F. A. Sanders, pet. 5; Lejandro Vigil, pet. 18; Procopio Martinez, pet. 6; W. H. Lynch, pet. 1; Pedro Duran, pet. 22; John King, pet. 3; J. S. Daniels, pet. 10; Jno. Burns, pet. 21; Ed Alderson, pet. 1; Maclorio Casados, pet. 7; J. W. Coulson, pet. 1; J. A. Jacobs, pet. 2; Manuel Chacon, pet. 13; Joe Rice, pet. 3; Felipe Lovato, pet. 7; Juan del Valle, pet. 5; Nicolas Ortiz, pet. 9; J. T. Brown, pet. 3; Adolpho Romero, pet. 18; Alejandro Garcia, pet. 1; M. B. Donald, pet. 4; J. M. Abeyta, pet. 19; J. B. Alexander, pet. 16; C. W. Griffin, pet. 4; Elias Sanchez, pet. 16; Max Chaves.

Ferguson Bill Passed

A stock raising homestead bill, introduced in congress by Representative H. B. Ferguson, passed the lower house of congress last week and is now before a committee of the senate for consideration. Its ultimate passage there is said to be assured and this means its early enactment into law.

The bill is designed to lease the 33,000,000 acres of remaining public domain of the semi-arid states by a system of grants to each settler of a home on the land with sufficient acreage to support his family by combining forage farming with stock raising.

The bill requires entrymen to make permanent improvements of not less than \$1.25 an acre in value and allows entry of up to 640 acres.

Card of Thanks

The Stewards of the M. E. Church, South, together with the pastor, Rev. W. L. Self, wish to thank the people of the First Christian Church and the First Baptist Church of Clayton for the use of their Churches in which to hold conference.

Signed:
Committee.

Notice

All parties knowing themselves indebted to the Clayton Telephone Exchange for service will have same discontinued on or before Feb 5th 1915.

F. H. Clark

J. A. Becker of near Wanette, attended to business in the city Friday. While here he had his subscription to The News run up another year. It's plain.

H. A. Ley, one of the prosperous farmers of the Grandview country and a News regular, was a trader in the city Friday.

Dr Slack reports the arrival of a fine girl baby at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. A. Law Monday, the 25th inst. This is the first daughter in the family and the parents are very proud. We congratulate the young Miss on her choice of parents.

C. C. Moorhead of near Amistad, was in the city Friday and Saturday.

J. J. Brophy, manager of the Otto ranch in Cimarron county, attended to business in the city Wednesday and Thursday.

At Home

Hon. G. C. Smith, elected representative of Union county to the New Mexico legislature, return home Tuesday, following his expulsion from that body by the all-powerful republican caucus which seems to care nothing for the wishes and votes of the people. Mr. Smith told us how it was done, and the recital was a lurid story of shame. His position is thoroughly honorable and he wishes the people to know that it is through no fault of his that he is not occupying his rightful place in the legislature and representing Union county in accordance with the expressed will of the voters.

W. T. Stone, Dead

W. T. Stone of near Cuates, father of J. W. Stone and Mrs. S. R. Hayes, died at his home Thursday, January 28th. Several other children were at the bedside at the end. An obituary was sent The News for publication this week but was received too late for this issue. It will appear in the next issue.

"Uncle Charlie" Bond of near Pasamonte, spent several days in the city this week.

Frank Casados of the Tramperos country, attended to business in the city this week.

Frank Parsons of Trinidad, Colorado, was a business visitor in Clayton Thursday and Friday.

John King, popular stockman of the Folsom country, attended to business in the city Thursday.

Toribio Martinez of near Pasamonte spent several days in the city this week attending to business and trading.

J. Riley Hughes, the Cimarron stockman, was in the city Thursday and Friday trading and looking after business.

J. H. Crane, one of the prominent resident of the Hayden country, was a business visitor in the city Thursday.

Attorney O. P. Easterwood returned Tuesday from Denver where he spent several days looking after legal business.

Delfin Espinosa of Moses, was a business visitor and trader in the city Thursday. Delfin is a wonderful republican, you should hear him orate.

Fifer Caudle of Amarillo, Texas, an old friend of The News man, has been in the city this week. He is figuring on entering business here.

J. O. Stetson, formerly of Dale, this county, wrote us from Carlsbad this week ordering The News sent to that address. J. O. also enclosed the necessary. It's plain.

Fermin Miera of near Beenham, brother of Hon. Serapio Miera, one of Union county's elected representatives, spent several days in the city the forepart of the week.

Leon P. Casados has accepted the position of deputy assessor to county assessor Abran Garcia. Mr. Casados is thoroughly competent to properly discharge the duties of the position.

C. K. Tatum of Plainview, Texas, arrived in the city this week. Mr. Tatum is agent for the Plainview nurseries and has an ad in this issue. Plains grown trees are the stuff for this county.

The buildings and sheds for the Gray & Lammon Lumber Co., are rapidly nearing completion. Several car loads of lumber and other building materials were unloaded this week, and when their outstanding orders are all in the new company will have one of the most complete stocks of building materials in this country.

For Sale

Sixteen thoroughbred shorthorn bulls 3 to 5 years old.—Eklund Hotel Ranch & Irrigation Co. 1-30-5t.

Methods Notes

for Sunday January 31st.

10:00 a. m. Sunday School. 11: a. m. Morning Worship, Subject of Sermon, "A True Test." 3:00 p.m. Preaching at Apache Valley School House. 7:00 p. m. Young Peoples' Meeting, Leader H. B. Woodward. 7:45 p. m. Evening Worship, Subject of Sermon, "I was a Wandering Sheep." Concert by soloists and chorus on Monday evening at 8:45 o'clock. Mid-week service for bible study on Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Ray Spotts Dum, Minister.

Union County At San Diego

The advertising done by the Territory of New Mexico at the St. Louis exposition ten years ago, resulted directly and indirectly, in bringing 100,000 new settlers to the state, turned the eastern livestock ranges into agricultural country, founded villages and towns, created new counties, and inaugurated a new era of growth and prosperity.

The territory and the several counties contributed heavily toward the expense of the New Mexico exhibits at that exposition, and no one can say that it was not a good investment and has not yielded a wonderful return. At the Panama-California exposition being held at San Diego this year New Mexico and the several counties are again heavy advertisers, and it is reasonable to expect that the returns in desirable immigration, capital, and resulting growth and prosperity, will equal if not surpass the results following the St. Louis exposition. The state, through practically unanimous action of its first legislature, appropriated \$30,000, and every county in the state has appropriated from \$500 to \$2,000, and many towns and cities have made additional appropriations.

Union county gave \$500; the Town of Clayton gave \$300; Des Moines gave \$144; certainly small sums when compared to the results reasonably sure to be realized. The money appropriated by the county is accrued interest on county deposits, a thing unheard of in Union county until the advent of the present commissioners. There is really no law providing for the expenditure of such money, but under a ruling by the attorney general the use to which it was put is a thoroughly legitimate use. The commissioners used their own discretion in this matter and believe their action will be of great benefit to the county, and that it will, as it should, receive the hearty endorsement of reasonable citizens.

Your attention is directed to that part of the published proceedings of the commissioners court that has reference to the way this money is to be expended, and the advertising guaranteed by the board of exposition managers.

Thos. S. Snyder
Commissioner Dist. One.

Stores Burglarized

Some time Friday night burglars entered the Simon Herzstein store and Higers & Barnhart's store. The proprietors say that no goods were taken. At the Herzstein store the thieves tapped the cash register to the tune of \$10.00, and at the other place secured about \$2.80. Entrance to the Herzstein store was made by removing a lower panel in a side door; and at Higers & Barnhart's by smashing a side window. Officers are working on what appears to be a true clue, and the early apprehension of the thieves is expected.

Corn Going Out

Last week the Otto-Johnson Mercantile Co., shipped two cars loads of Union county grown corn to Ft. Collins, Colorado. This is the first time in the history of Clayton that this cereal has been shipped out, and it helps to show the wonderful development that has taken place in this country during the past several years. Clayton dealers are paying a high price for all grains.