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## RESOLUTIONS BY CO. TEACHERS

### Teachers Lavish In Praise of Instructors; Promise Pupils Better Service In Future.

Whereas, We, the teachers of Union County, in annual convention assembled, believing the present session one of the most pleasant and profitable in the history of Union county, would hereby express our sentiments regarding the same:

#### THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That to the citizens of Clayton we owe our sincere and hearty thanks for their ready willingness to sacrifice for our comfort and convenience, and we shall ever recall with gratitude their kind hospitality. We especially thank the Board of Education for the use of the Clayton High School building, and herewith extend our thanks to Mr. J. B. Flippin for his many and courteous acts as janitor.

2. That we thank our county superintendent, Hon. H. H. Errett, for his untiring zeal in his work, and his never failing courtesy toward the teachers, and that we especially commend him for his efforts in bringing the work of the normal institute up to its present high standard. That we heartily endorse his re-election to the position he now holds, in 1916, for the reason that he knows the environments of the teachers and the conditions in the county, and is therefore better qualified to further the educational interests of the county than any other.

3. That we hereby tender our thanks to Prof. Jos. S. Hofer, who has been with us twice before, for his scholarly management of this institute. His work has been most satisfactory, and we most specially commend him for his enthusiasm. We found him thoroughly alive to the needs of the teachers, and with his pleasing personality, he has the happy faculty of gaining new friends as well as the art of retaining the old ones. His standing as a teacher and the distinction he enjoys as being one of the founders of the Ancient and Honorable Order of Hilarious Hoolies commends him in the warmest of fraternal feeling. We especially desire his return as Conductor of the Union County Institute for the year 1916.

4. That we are proud to welcome into our county teaching force an instructor of such force and ability as that of Prof. Krigbaum. His stories, enthusiasm and sketches of past experience have been an inspiration that we will not soon forget. We hope to see his radiant countenance at many institutes to come.

5. That we appreciate the ever-greeting smile of Mr. Perry. His many years of experience as an institute instructor, and his wide and close observation of conditions in the southwest, have made our work under him very interesting and instructive. It but illustrates the rapid progress we are making in our schools to know that men of his standing and ability are devoting their time to teaching in the rural schools.

6. That we hereby wish to express to Miss Dorothy K. Russell our thanks for, and appreciation of, her excellent instruction in the primary department. It is the sense of this body, that Roswell, and the Pecos valley, have gained by Union county's loss and we hereby extend to Miss Russell our congratulations and best wishes for her continued success in her new environment, and we extend toward her a hearty welcome to be with us at any time she may have the opportunity and leisure to favor us with her presence. We hope to have her with us again next year.

7. That to Mrs. M. R. Jones we wish to express our gratitude and thanks for her able instruction and many helpful suggestions in the department of music. We hope to have her with us again next year.

8. That we hereby extend to Miss Stella Brodowsky our thanks for the excellent and interesting demonstrations in penmanship with which she favored us, and for the opportunity we have had of observing her excellent methods in obtaining results with a class in what has hitherto been perhaps generally believed to be a somewhat neglected branch of public school training. We welcome Miss Brodowsky to our midst, and to a place in our ancient, sacred and secret order, the Ancient and Honorable Order of Hilarious Hoolies, and trust she may again be with us in the not far distant future.

9. That we fully appreciate the services of Miss Manette Myers, our State Director of Industrial Education, and as we recognize the fact that "civilized man cannot live without cooks," we are especially indebted to her.

10. That to Miss Edna Menefee and Mrs. D. W. Priestley our heartfelt appreciation be extended for the excellent music upon the violin and piano with which we were favored. So inspiring was the music that we seemed to be lifted above the world and its cares.

11. That we heartily thank Rev. R. S. Dum for his services in conducting our devotional exercises and caring for our spiritual welfare during this session. To one and all these services have been a source of pleasure and inspiration, and we can only hope to express in a small way our appreciation therefor.

12. That we regret the necessity which kept Governor McDonald from visiting us as we had expected.

13. That to our Assistant State Superintendent, the Hon. Filadelfio Baca, we wish to express our thanks for the encouragement given us in our work, for the useful information given us relative to school laws, and for his expression of willingness to assist us in any way within his power.

14. That to the members of the Clayton Baseball team, and to Mr. Claude Piper, we hereby extend our sincere thanks for the baseball uniforms and equipment so generously loaned by them, and for their courteous and gentlemanly treatment of the baseball team representing this body.

15. That to the number of new members who are with us, we extend a cordial welcome, and an invitation to be with us in our future assemblages, that we may cooperate in our efforts toward better fitting ourselves as instructors of the youthful minds placed under our supervision.

16. That as it has been impossible for some of the worthy members of this profession, who have been with us in the past, to enroll with us again in our present institute, we hereby express our regrets that their faces are not seen with us this year, and trust that they have sought enlightenment in one of our state institutions or neighboring county normal institutes.

17. That, whereas, all our wise and farseeing body of legislators have seen the insufficiency of the salaries of New Mexico teachers and have enacted laws for their betterment, and for a minimum school term of seven months and for their other beneficial educational legislation, we hereby extend to them our approval and thanks, and our assurances that we will, as teachers, do our best to deserve this reward by giving to our schools the very best services of which we are capable.

18. That it is the sense of this association that the legislature should not stop with the wise and beneficial legislation thus far enacted, and we hereby suggest the introduction and passage of, and pledge our support thereto, legislation which shall make it compulsory for the board of education in each district throughout the state to equip each building in said district with a small drinking fountain, believing the cost of such equipment will be small, in most cases not exceeding fifteen dollars, and that the beneficial results thereby obtained over the present use of drinking cups, individual or otherwise, will in every case more than

19. That in view of the fact that our state has a uniform set of text books throughout, we favor the adoption of a uniform report book for the purpose of enabling children moving from one part of the state to another to keep their credits in such form that they will be easily accessible, and that such children may therefore be more readily placed in the grades in which they belong in a school in another part of the state.

20. That to the old members of the Ancient and Honorable Order of Hilarious Hoolies who rendered such valuable assistance in initiating the new members of the profession into the dark, solemn and mystic rites of this noble order, we extend our sincere thanks, and a hearty welcome to be with us in our assemblies. May they ever remain true Hoolies to try to attain the sublime degree.

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## STATE FAIR WILL BE GREAT

### Will Distribute Thousands of Dollars In Premiums; Every Citizen Urged to Send Exhibits.

"The success or failure of the 1915 state fair," say the officials of the fair, "is going to depend upon the counties of the state." The entire effort of the state management is being directed toward securing the county cooperation with the idea in mind of making the county exhibits the largest and most attractive feature of the state fair this year. It is up to the counties entirely to make the fair a success in the line of exhibits, and from present indications, it would appear that the counties are more than willing to shoulder this responsibility.

The fair has offered \$1700 in prizes for which the counties will compete, \$1000 for the best county exhibit, \$500 for the second best and \$200 for the third. These prizes will be awarded upon the completeness of each county exhibit, rather than upon the diversity of the products and resources shown, so that every county has an equal chance in winning the money.

Six counties have expressed a desire to exhibit and have taken large spaces in the agricultural building. In fact, no county so far approached, has refused the request of the special exhibit commissioners who are now working in the state to secure these exhibits.

The fair management points to the fact that all of the successful state fairs in the country have been built upon county cooperation and that if the counties of New Mexico will come into the fair this year as they should, a basis will have been laid for the fairs in the future such as are held in Minnesota, Indiana, Illinois and Texas.

## Another Weekly in Capital

Santa Fe, July 20.—Santa Fe is to have a fourth English newspaper, The New State, a twenty-page four column weekly, which is to be the organ of the young democracy of the state. A number of prominent New Mexico democrats are interested and J. H. McCutcheon will probably edit the paper. An entire new printing plant is to be installed and the promoters are counting on the undivided patronage of the democratic state officeholders and officers in the way of job work.

I. E. Danner and family, of Gage, Oklahoma, spent Friday night in the city. Mr. Danner is an old friend of The News man. He has about completed arrangements for the purchase of a ranch near Des Moines.

C. F. Pearson of near Grenville, was a business visitor and trader in the county seat Friday. He had his name added to our list at that place. The News is the popular paper.

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## Farmer Boys and Girls to Camp

The boys and girls of the state who are interested in farming and live stock growing are to have a special department at the state fair this year and an encampment on the grounds at which they will be the guests of the fair during the entire week.

The encampment will be under the supervision of the industrial club extension work of the state agricultural college. Men and women from the college will have charge of the boys and girls who will be housed in army tents and fed by an army cook in an immense mess tent. All of the expense is to be taken care of by the fair management.

It is expected that two hundred boys and girls will attend. A representative of the fair will visit the counties of crops and live stock under the supervision of the industrial club. Any boy or girl who is a club member may attend or any boy or girl who obtains a recommendation from his or her county superintendent saying that he or she is interested in these lines of work.

During the encampment the boys and girls will hear lectures and receive demonstrations as to the best methods of farming and stock raising. They will judge horses and cattle and participate in butchering and other lines of work they will meet with as farmers and growers. In addition they will be allowed to see everything at the fair free of charge and the encampment will be in sight of all the amusement features. They will be expected to bring with them from home, bedding, towels, toilet articles, etc. Any father, mother or other relative who desires to accompany them will be taken care of at the encampment for a nominal amount. These boys and girls who expect to attend, as well as the relatives, should notify the fair office as soon as possible.

## Lecture Course at University

Albuquerque, N. M., July 20.—President David R. Boyd of the University of New Mexico left Albuquerque the first of the week for a stay of three weeks in California. Going primarily for a vacation, Dr. Boyd will visit both expositions and attend a number of congresses and conventions especially to meet a number of famous authorities in various scientific, commercial and educational fields, who will be invited to deliver addresses to the students at the University during the coming college year, which opens August 17th.

The university student body meets every morning at 10 o'clock for assembly. Five mornings in the week the assembly hour is devoted to university business exclusively, but on Tuesday morning of each week a special feature is added; in the past a lecture, a musical program or some other form of attraction from outside the regular life of the university. The Tuesday morning assembly hour has become an event to which university students look forward eagerly, as offering special advantages in information and culture; and its value is to be materially increased during the coming year by the appearance of a notable list of famous men and women. This program has already been partially completed and will be ready for full announcement before the opening of the college year. The university authorities, in planning the lecture program, have been especially fortunate in that during the early part of the year, up to January 1st, many of the men desired for lectures will be passing through Albuquerque either going to or coming from the coast expositions, who have agreed to stop for a day especially to speak to the students. The lectures will be varied during the year by a few notable musical events by famous artists whose appearance is being arranged for by Prof. Stanley Seder, head of the University department of music.

Hon. Salome Garcia of near Pasa-monte, attended to business in the county seat Friday and Saturday.

## NEWS OF THE STATE CAPITAL

### Tax Rolls Coming In Slowly; Republicans Care Nothing For The State Constitution.

Santa Fe, N. M., July 22.—The latest sensation in a legislative way is the reported suit to be brought for the recovery of \$9,200, paid out by the state auditor on a bill appropriating that amount for the boundary dispute with Texas. According to the story action was delayed on the bill until the very last minute, it being delayed by Secundino Romero who, according to the endorsements on the bill, signed it in open session on the 13th day of March, a date admitted to be after the adjournment of the legislature under the constitution. But the signature of the president of the senate E. C. de Baca, was put there under protest, evidently because he has stated above his signature that he signed the bill after the adjournment, and not in open session, as required by the constitution, because the bill was not presented to him during the session of the legislature.

As this money was to be expended by a republican office holder it is evident that little things like a violation of the constitution was not to stand in the way, because the money has been drawn down, and probably expended. It may be that legislating after the legislature has adjourned is not a "gross and flagrant violation of the constitution, but if it is there are a number of persons who would like to have the auditor pay that money back into the treasury.

It is not believed that the taxpayers will protest very hard because they have grown accustomed to having their pockets picked in all the political doings of the republicans, but the fact that laws acted upon after the adjournment can be used to pry the tax payers loose from their money is most suggestive.

It is reported here that State Senator Pankey has fled the town, and is now making his headquarters somewhere in the wilds of the Pecos mountains. Since some of the politicians from the southern counties have been insisting that he come out for the republican nomination as governor Pankey has been acting man shy, and the statesmen of his party can not get near him. It will be recalled that an effort was made to get him out for congress last fall and he took to the hills.

The state tax commission was forced to postpone the meeting called for Monday, because the tax rolls of the different counties were not in. Mora county had reported, with a decrease in the total valuation as compared with last year of about one hundred thousand dollars. If the remaining counties keep up that percentage of loss the general tax payers of the state will be up against the real thing. The estimate of one hundred millions of dollars shortage will be too small.

The total valuation of 1914 was \$272,000,000. The limitations placed upon the levies by the new law require about \$280,000,000 to produce as much revenue as was produced from the 1914 levy, and the commission secured that by raising the valuations of corporate interests about ten million, but the legislature was liberal in passing out the money and added expenses which will require an additional one hundred million or more to secure the expected funds. The one consolation found in the situation is the fact that the shortage will work a hardship against the state officials only, and not effect the credit of the state.

## Cliff Abbott, Dead

Cliff Abbott, C. & S. yardmaster at Texline and for twenty years one of the most popular residents of that city, died at his home in Texline past Wednesday. The funeral was largely attended, and was conducted by the Masonic fraternity, the Dalhart and Clayton lodges combining in the service. Mr. Abbott was greatly loved by his home people and will be sorely missed in the Texline community.