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A COPPER STRIKE NEAR LAS VEGAS.

E. F. Whooten came to town last week from his property east of town with samples from a copper ledge 150 feet in width that upon being assayed showed 7 per cent copper for the entire width besides a few dollars in gold and silver. Mr. F. E. Matzdorf who is interested in the proposition accompanied Mr. Whooten back to the property and upon his return last Sunday stated that the proposition was all that was claimed for it and that they were busy opening it up. This is good news to some of our townspeople who were backing the men that uncovered this bonanza. With the lead-zinc mines opening up to the west and south and copper and gold to the east of us there will be something doing in Las Vegas before the town is much older. Every day sees a number of prospectors outfitting and starting for the hills. Our local assayers are kept busy testing the many samples of rock that are brought in with results that are very satisfactory. There are a number of parties that are from ten to twenty miles from town busy sinking shafts and running tunnels on their property that has showings that justifies the expenditure of money, some showing 50 per cent copper only a few feet from the surface.

A NOTE OF WARNING.

From The Caliente Express:
We call the attention of the people of Lincoln County again to the advisability of attending their primary elections and to select the best representatives in the respective precincts delegates to the several county conventions.

There is going to be an effort to control the primary conventions in the interest of certain individuals who are hungry for pie and place. These are the very identical men that you don't want. Make your own selections, and bear this well in mind.

We are well aware that this advice is early, but it is none too early, in view of the fact that others do not consider it so, for the reason that political fences are being built now with a view to controlling all of the respective conventions, regardless of party.

The people of the county know what they want and what they have been striving for. It is up to you to do and dare when the time is ripe. This is not a "hobby," but we want conditions in the county righted, and the only way that it can be brought about is by a clean sweep of the present officials.

Remember that in your primary elections is where the fight has to be made, not in your conventions. Keep your eyes on the primaries, select representative citizens, loyal and honorable men, to do your bidding, and hold them responsible for their stewardship. This newspaper does not want to impose a hardship on anyone, no matter of what class, creed or condition, but we are firm in the conviction that there must be men placed in nomination for the several positions in the gift of the county at the next ensuing election—men who are the choice of

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the people, and not the selection of a "clique."

We want to warn the people up to this fact before the time is late. We want no excuse for negligence or inability to perform the duty you owe to a good government by attending your primary elections. The time is not long hence to perform that duty, and when once done, your reward will be certain in the future.

The "Express" has no personal axe to grind. We seek no office, and that is not all—we want none. We are no pie-brighter, but we do insist that the pie-brighters go away back and stay there while the people of this county provide a way for the cleansing and the purification of the rotten condition of political affairs with which this commonwealth has been cursed for many years.

If the "ring" fixes a slate for you, be men, smash the slate, and dictate the future policy of your county as you can, and as you ought to.

Will you do so?

A CALIENTE JUSTICE.

From The Caliente Express:
Justice Maynard has been tempering justice with mercy during the week. The justice is not one of these hard-hearted monsters in an official station who yields his power for pelf and gain. He is learned in law and its practice, and there is not a "Sage Brush" lawyer that can rub it in any faster than he can rub it out.

Several instances of this kind have transpired within the last week that endear him in the heart of the law-abiding portion of the people of Caliente. Very often justices of the peace are titled "justice for plaintiff," but here in this community it is different, and whoever he may be, defendant or plaintiff in an action before his court, the evidence must be positive and conclusive in all its parts before a judgment is rendered.

We admire this mode of judicial action, and where justice is equitably distributed, fairly and impartially, as it is in the justice court of Caliente. The people of this town realize that the justice is endeavoring and that he is conducting his court in a manner highly creditable to the town and county.

Justice Maynard is certainly an exception among officials in that position, not only of this county, but of the country as a whole. His dignity, his ability and his learning entitle him to a much higher station in life.

L. D. ROYER.

From The Caliente Express:
L. D. Royer, division foreman at this place, has severed his relations with the company at Caliente. He will be succeeded by J. W. Brown.

Mr. Royer has been with the company from the start, and up to now. He is not severing his relations completely, for there is a better position awaiting him in the city, the terminus of the Senator Clark system on the borders of the Pacific ocean.

Mr. Royer was a prime favorite with everybody, socially and otherwise, and the community is loth to part with him. We hope that his new venture will be more congenial, as much so as have his successes been here.

He takes with him the kindest and the most friendly greeting of this whole community, with no single exception. We wish for this many man increased success in his new field of labor. This is a universal expression of an opinion by all of his former employees and associates.

One eye on the primary, one eye on the pie biter.

"The Bishop" has had a moralizing effect on a crowd of prowling drunken Indians since his appointment by Sheriff Johnson.

The entire population of this county sympathise with poor old Ben Sanders, our county attorney, in his sickness and distress.

Attend the primary elections, select your own delegates, not another fellow's delegates, then do business from the shoulder.

Candidates for the legislature are not born, they are made by an expressed will of a convention, or by the bulldozing tactics of corporation dictation. Oftentimes the latter.

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BURIED UNDER THE RUINS

A Jury of Inquiry Finds From the Evidence That Roberts Blew Up the Mine.

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It is Believed By a Great Many His Body Lies Under Thousands of Tons of Ore.

REPORTS OF RICH STRIKES STAMPEDED CALIENTE

From the Caliente Express:

An inquiry was made by Justice Maynard and a jury, consisting of James Brown, David J. Cook and Floyd Atchinson, into the giant powder explosion at the Sibert mine on February 24th. The ground was gone over very carefully and a number of witnesses examined by the judge, and the trend of testimony produced went to show that it was caused by Charles Roberts, who had been formerly employed at the mine. He had been working in the employ of the company, but for reasons best known to the foreman, Roberts and his partner, a man named Wilson, were laid off, to which they took exceptions, and in a spirit of revenge Roberts went to the mine, knowing the lay of the land and where to get the fuse, caps and other deadly missiles, and knowing the precise locality of the powder, fired the magazines, with the result already chronicled in the columns of this newspaper.

After having listened to the testimony the jury unanimously brought in the following findings, and they were endorsed by the court: On February 24th Justice Maynard held an inquiry at the Sibert mine to fix the responsibility of the explosion and to find the cause, if possible. The jury summoned consisted of James Brown, foreman; David J. Cook and Floyd Atchinson, jurors. After examining the complaining witness, C. D. Sibert, the proprietor and manager, from the evidence presented, the jury found that the explosion was of a felonious origin, and from the facts and evidence in the case charge one Charles Roberts with the same.

Nearly all of the material at the mine was destroyed, and Manager Sibert was compelled to make a trip to Los Angeles to replenish the mine with other material. By some it is thought that the man Roberts did not get far enough away from the flying debris, and that he is at this time buried under it at the mine. His partner, Wilson, shares in that belief.

Manager Sibert has been annoyed in many ways since he has commenced to operate the mine in this district, and he says that it is wearing on his nerves. The loss of his pet dog, "Indian," was what he believes another attempt to harass and annoy him. The dog was in his yard, and he claims that it was shot with a malice born of spite and with an intent to injure him.

We trust that conditions in the future will be made more pleasant for Manager Sibert, and that the worst has been passed; but the perpetrator, whom ever he may be, if detected, should be dealt with according to law.

CHRISTIENSEN'S CAMP.

Good Reports Arriving Daily from New Strike at Summit Springs.

From the Caliente Express:
Very favorable reports are arriving from the new mining district in the vicinity of Summit Springs. Captain Carden and others returned from that country during the week and they were all smiles. They say that there is lots of rich ore there, and that in time it will command the attention of the mining world. They made several locations of what, they believe to be good mines and not prospects. One of the party made an offer of \$200 to Officer Monahan for a location one of the boys made for him, and as Jack said "That's a mighty good offer for a mine I have never seen." He says "that if it is worth that much to them, it is worth more to him."

C. P. Christensen and others are on the ground now. They left in the best outfit that ever pulled out of the town. Men of the Christiansen stripe do not follow phantoms, nor do they rush and plunge at every exhibition of a rich piece of ore. There is something going on at Summit Springs and there will be many a tiding of good cheer from that district before many moons.

True Friendship.

The essence of friendship is entireness, a total magnanimity and trust. It must not surmise or provide for infirmity. It treats its object as a god, that it may defy both.—Emerson.

EVERYBODY STAMPEDING.

Senator Denton is Always in the Lead—Others Follow.

From The Caliente Express:
Senator Denton is one of the foremost and progressive citizens of Caliente. There is hardly a stampedie of note about the place but what he does not forge to the lead and is found in the mountains with the vim and perseverance of the youngest prospector in the land.

The Senator made two rushes to as many stampedes the past week, the first being where the rich float was discovered by Clark D. Reed, J. S. Craft and others about two miles west of town. Some mighty big assays were got out of some of these prospects, and the whole country was located one over the other, but the Senator managed to get his without having others lapping or all over him.

The other stampedie was about three miles north of the first stampedie, and this, as in the other, found the Senator well to the lead as soon as the word reached the town that rich ore had been found in that place. Messrs. Nash and Pratt, two prospectors from Salt Lake, were the fortunate discoverers of the last find. They are about one of the best equipped for prospecting on the desert, and they remarked that what they found looked better than any they had found in all their ramblings. The discovery was called "Camp Laura," after the wife of one of the discoverers.

Since the word got out there has been many locations made, and nearly all of Caliente have been on the ground making locations. Senator Denton, of course, always in the first rush.

WATCH FOR HIM.

He Has His Vicious Eye on the People of Pioche—Look Out!

From The Caliente Express:
"Bill" Headings will visit Pioche this week in the interest of this paper, as also to establish a local library in that town—that is, if he meets with proper inducements to make the venture. "Bill" has placed libraries in many of the desert towns since his visit into the State. The libraries are a business of his own over which this paper has no control.

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TEMPORARY WITHDRAWAL.

Department of the Interior, Land Office, Washington, D. C., January 6, 1906.

Proposed Spring Mountain Forest Reserve, Nevada. Register and Receiver, Carson City, Nevada.

Gentlemen: On January 4, 1906, the acting secretary of the interior, temporarily withdrew from all disposal, except under the mineral laws, all the vacant unappropriated public lands in the following described area, for the proposed Spring Mountain Forest Reserve:

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