

# THE RIFLE REVEILLE

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RIFLE, GARFIELD COUNTY, COLORADO, DECEMBER 19, 1902.

\$2.00 A YEAR

## The Big Store With the Little Prices . .

# A mistake

Do you think this a mistake?

Well it is one--made on purpose. So are some prices made to look low on purpose. That's all.

**TOYS!** Have we got 'em? Must you see to believe? Then come in and see, for we have certainly got 'em.

**HATERS**--the best made, the lowest price and most economic. Come look them over, then when convinced--take one home.

**EATABLES** of all kinds. Not only the provisions for the every day meal, but delicacies of all kinds. Pure and fresh.

HOW'S YOUR OVER-SHOES?

**BARGAINS** in our 5c, 10c and 15c counters every day of the year, things that you need and cheaper than the cheapest.

**IN** the morning when you get up feeling drowsy what is better than a GOOD cup of coffee? 25 cents a pound. Our leader.

**GUNS**--all kinds, from a cap pistol to a .44.55. A fine present to make your husband, brother or friend for X'mas.

SEE OUR X'MAS CANDLES

**SHOES** None better made than the Douglas, and the price is right. But you know our motto any way.

**THOROUGHLY BRED** hats can't be beat for style, price and durability. Well dressed men all wear them.

**OUR X'mas Goods** are here now, and a better line can't be found. Rich or poor, we can suit you all.

**RELIABLE,** courteous and prompt. These three things are part of our stock in trade. Ask your neighbor.

**EVERYTHING** in our store is the best and the price the lowest. Groceries, Hats, Caps, Underwear in fact everything to be

found in a first class General Store, we have. Watch our ads., read, think and investigate and the result will be to your advantage.

## THE MUNRO MERCANTILE CO.

C. N. DONELL.

### Contractor & Builder.

Lumber, Lath, Shingles, Doors, Windows, Paints, Oils, Glass, Varnish, Brick, Lime, Hair AND Cement.

Building Material of Every Kind on Hand. Carpenter and Paint Shop in Connection. Out of town orders solicited. Drop postal and We Will come and See You. Money to loan for building purposes.

HOUSES FOR RENT, SALE OR TRADE

RIFLE -- COLO.  
Office & Yard Opp. Mrs. Maxfield

### New Rifle Hotel

JOHN NELSON, Prop.

A thoroughly first class family and transient hotel offering comfort to guests.

BAR IN CONNECTION

Rates: \$2 Per Day

Headquarters Traveling Men & Tourists...

Furnace Heat

Good Sample Room

## Values Live when Prices are Forgotten.

### J. W. HUGUS & CO.

# This Is Simply To Remind You Of OUR X'MAS LINE Of High Grade Tokens Of Good Will

## Watch this space in the future

There will be a SPECIAL SALE on some certain line of our stock every SATURDAY

# From January to March Which Will Save You Money. The BIG Store with the Goods

### J. W. HUGUS & CO.

J. L. McDOWELL, Local Manager.

T. Hechtiss is on the sick list.

J. H. Hickman is hauling his winter coal from Harvey Gap.

Winifred Cato is learning the photography business under Mr. Fred Garrison.

S. E. Babcock is over from Plateau Valley, visiting friends this week.

Chase that news item into THE REVEILLE phone and we do the rest.

Cochran & Miller will write your fire insurance in the old reliable National of Hartford.

Go to the new City Stables, and see how they treat you. Everything is first class. R. E. Weant, Proprietor.

John Hickman has been trying to get at the work of plastering his house, but has been prevented owing to the cold weather.

Bob Mellen arrived from Missouri last Wednesday, he intends to make Rifle his future home.

Dr. N. Dymenberg purchased a fine black buggy horse a few days ago and is now putting up a bar and carriage house to go with it.

Mrs. J. J. Clausen has been very ill the past few weeks. Mrs. Clausen's many friends in the town vicinity hope to witness her early recovery.

S. M. Hickman is moving into the Clark annex building and they expect to reside in town permanently. We are glad to note this as they are good citizens.

A Bon Bon Social will be given at I. O. O. F. hall Saturday, Dec. 20. Grand March at 9 o'clock. Every body come and get your Bon Bon. Tickets 50 cts. Ladies free.

As we are about to go to press, we are informed by the management of the Bon Bon social that the date is changed from Saturday, Dec. 20th to Saturday, Dec. 27.

The South Side Telephone line is finished and in working order. Everything is first class and the patrons are well pleased.

L. M. Quienn has opened a paint shop in the rear of the corner building occupied by Bennett's barber shop and is doing an unusual amount of artistic work in his line.

Jack Munroe returned from Denver this morning, where he has been attending the Denver University, to spend his vacation with his father.

We hear that Geo. Clark, who has been confined in Glenwood for some time back with pleurisy is recovering rapidly. He was able to be out Wednesday. We hope to see George with us again soon.

We see by the Craig Courier, that H. B. Pratt has left Craig for Engles, Wyo., where he expects to locate. Mr. Pratt left here about three weeks ago. His wife is still here, waiting for him to find a place as good as Rifle to locate. Better give it up Howard, "it can't be did."

Joseph Wolf of Cripple Creek has assumed management of the Clark and Winchester hotel. Mr. and Mrs. Clark will leave in a few days for California, where it is hoped by his many friends, Mr. Clark's health will improve.

The windows of the Rifle merchants are all decorated in their holiday attire, and the displays are elegant. Not only are the little ones found looking with wistful eyes upon the tempting Christmas goods, but also the older ones. Candies, toys and useful and ornamental presents of all kinds, are to be found in every window.

One of the nicest pocket calendars ever have seen for 1903 is issued by the Colorado and Southern passenger department. It is colorful. The calendar is on one side, and on the other side is a very pretty colored picture of the far famed Georgetown Loop. This little calendar just fits the vest pocket and can be carried by you in your pocket or in your bag. T. E. Fisher, General Passenger Agent, Denver, Colo.

#### School Notes.

The present week has tested the merits of the new heating apparatus pretty thoroughly, and the results have been eminently satisfactory.

The school lost three pupils this week by removals--Ross and Harry Harp, and Pansy Stout.

William Warts has established an un-disputed right to be denominated the patron of the school. He has at least one child in each room of the building, and two in each of two rooms--seven in all.

The total enrollment to date is 240, of which 224 are enrolled at present. The average daily attendance is now about 210. The schools will close Wednesday, Dec. 24th, for the holiday vacation, and will re-open on Monday, Jan. 5th.

#### Notice.

The Rifle Ice & Storage Co. will receive sealed bids for cutting and packing in this ice house of 400 tons of Grand River ice, also the hauling from the car and packing of 150 tons of Aspen ice. Contracts to be bid for separately. All bids will be opened and contracts awarded Dec. 22. The right to reject any or all bids is reserved. Copy of contracts can be seen at the office of the Munro Mercantile Company.

IRVING MUNRO,  
Manager of Rifle Ice & Storage Co.

A grand, "all night" dance, with a mid night supper is to be given at the Odd Fellows' hall, Christmas Eve, by the "Band Boys." The music will be furnished by the Rifle orchestra, consisting of seven pieces. Everybody should try and attend and thus encourage the boys. A nice social time is assured.

#### Notice.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Rifle Coal Co., of Rifle, Colo., will be held at their office in Rifle, Colo., on Tuesday, January 6, 1903, at 2 p. m., for the election of directors and for the transaction of any other business that may properly come before said meeting. E. McLEARN, President.  
Geo. FRAYERT, Sec'y.

#### Notice.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the E. McLearn Mercantile Co., of Rifle, Colo., will be held at their office in Rifle, Colo., on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, at 2 p. m., for the election of directors and for the transaction of any other business that may properly come before said meeting. E. McLEARN, President.  
Geo. FRAYERT, Sec'y.

#### Notice To Bond Holders.

Notice is hereby given that I am prepared and desirous to pay or redeem the Obligations of the County Treasurer of Garfield County, Colorado, Bond Numbered 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000.

#### Administrator's Notice.

Estate of Zephinah Moore Deceased. The undersigned having been appointed Administrator of the Estate of Zephinah Moore late of the County of Garfield and State of Colorado, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the County Court of Garfield County, at the Court House in Glenwood Springs, at the December Term, on the second Monday in January next, at which time all persons having claims against said Estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said Estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 10th day of December, A. D. 1902.

GEORGE H. HUBBARD,  
Administrator.

Gray Bros. and Co. have all cuttings, for sale.

See Supplies of all kinds. Hives 1 lb. sections.

E. McLearn Mercantile Co.

J. L. Cochran of the firm of Cochran & Miller, will be found at their office, one door east of the Clark annex, at all hours of the day to look after the real estate interests insurance (life or fire), notary work, rentals and collections. Call in boys and have a tooth pick.

#### BUSINESS LOCALS.

Moberly & Huley are agents for Fireman's Fund Insurance Co., Home Fire & Marine and Springfield Fire & Marine.

Nottie Freeman desires all those who may be owing her to settle by paying same to Ziesenis & Todd.

High class Galloway and Short Horn cows, heifers and calves for sale. Apply to J. B. Deacon, Piceance, Colo., Henry Haslev, Sitk, Colo., or Chas. T. Limberg, Leadville, Colo.

Notice is hereby given that any and all persons trespassing on either the Wilder or Zerbe places, or below Rifle canyon in any manner without first securing a permit from me will be dealt with to the full extent of the law.

AL. ZERBE.

Don't forget that we are prepared to do all kinds of job work with neatness and despatch.

We have a ranch of 200 acres on Battlement mesa two miles from Parachute. Extra good water right from Shot ditch and 732 shares in Battlement Water Storage Reservoir company for reservoir at house, holding 500 barrels for domestic use. 5 room house, good stabling and corrals, alfalfa, fruit, etc. 35 acres plow land handy to school. Good bargain for some one if sold soon. Price \$2500, part time. Call on Cochran & Miller.

Winter resorts in the south, southeast and California are most conveniently reached via the Colorado and Southern railway and connections through Fort Worth, Memphis and by way of the new Dalhart-El Paso route. Especially low round trip rates will be quoted and sleeping car reservations made on request. Write to T. E. Fisher, General Passenger agent, Denver, Colo.

See Garrison, the photographer's, assortment of photo albums.

Wanted--1500 head of cattle to winter. Also have pasture for next season.

PIERCE BROS., Junction City, Kans.

One new house, 4 rooms and closets good outbuildings, two lots. Price reasonable, situated on Rifle Heights.

Cochran & Miller.

Go to Garrison for picture frames. He makes them. All sizes. They are beautiful. Come in and see the samples and plant.

Bear in mind, that you can always do better with the Mutual Benefit than you can with the other companies; as its Policies contain special and peculiar advantages which are not combined in the policies of any other company. Cochran & Miller will furnish particulars.

#### Views! Views! Views!

Any size or style. From a 4 x 5 to a 10 x 12. Artistically colored if desired.

Don't forget about these Photo Buttons that we are making so cheap.

There is nothing so nice as a pair of Photo Cuff Buttons.

All the other kinds of work in our line lay up to date.

Just come in and tell us what you want, and we will make it to your entire satisfaction.

Blanchard's Gallery.

#### Notice For Publication.

Department of the Interior. Land Office at Glenwood Springs, Colorado, Nov. 18, 1902.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Register and Receiver at Glenwood Springs, Colo., on Tuesday, Dec. 23, 1902, at 10 o'clock a. m., viz: George E. Harris, of Rifle, Colo., on his desert land claim No. 276 (to the S.W. 1/4, S.E. 1/4, E. 1/2 S.W. 1/4, N.W. 1/4 S.W. 1/4, S.W. 1/4 N.W. 1/4, Sec. 28, E. 1/2 N.E. 1/4 Sec. 29, T. 4 S. R. 94 W., 6th P. M.

He names the following witnesses to prove the complete irrigation and reclamation of said land, viz: Louis Plummer, Lester Soule, Jasper Gately, Charles Frayert, all of Rifle, Colo.

J. F. Squire, Register.

The Cochran & Miller Real Estate Agency will hereafter be found first door east of the Clark hotel annex building.

All coal bought at our mine must be paid for at time of delivery. Our foreman at the mine has instructions to deliver no coal without the cash.

RIFLE COAL CO.

#### NEW TRAIN TO TEXAS

On July 1st the Colorado & Southern Railway made further improvement in its service between Colorado and Texas by putting on another fast train, carrying standard Pullman sleepers, extra cars and first class coaches between Denver and Fort Worth; also Pullman sleeper between Denver and Memphis via Amarillo and the Choctaw, Oklahoma & Gulf Ry., offering the only service between Colorado and the Oklahoma and Indian Territories without change of cars. Ask any C. & S. Ry. ticket agent folder, or write T. E. Fisher, General Passenger Agent, Denver. Aug 17

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# AMENDMENTS ARE SUGGESTED TO STATE ARBITRATION LAW

Denver, Dec. 15.—Amendments to the present law, to give the state board of arbitration power to enforce obedience to its subpoenas, to cause the punishment for contempt of witnesses who refuse to testify, to enforce its decisions and to keep them in force for a definite time, are the principal recommendations made in the biennial report submitted to the governor by John F. Harley, secretary of the board. The report details the methods used by other states to make arbitration laws effective, urging the need of action by the next Legislature. It also points out the enormous industrial growth of the state.

The present law of the attorney general thinks unconstitutional in one provision—that conferring the power of a court upon it, since the constitution provides that the judicial power of the state is vested solely in the courts, and a decision in an Indiana case, quoted, declares that a board cannot be a court. The amendment to remedy this defect and to get around the obstacle presented by the constitution is a combination of the judicial power of the state is vested solely in the courts, and a decision in an Indiana case, quoted, declares that a board cannot be a court. The amendment to remedy this defect and to get around the obstacle presented by the constitution is a combination of the judicial power of the state is vested solely in the courts, and a decision in an Indiana case, quoted, declares that a board cannot be a court.

The second amendment proposes that the agreement entered into between contending parties through the mediation of the arbitration board shall be binding for a year, or until either party shall give ninety days' notice of intention to terminate it.

The third change suggested proposes the punishment of either party to an arbitration agreement who fails to appear in faith within the time specified by the second amendment. Like the first amendment this is a combination of

features of the Indiana and the Illinois statutes. It proposes that the aggrieved party to the agreement may compel the other party, through the Circuit or the County Court, to show cause why he has failed to keep the agreement and in order to compel compliance with the agreement the court may punish the faith-breaker for contempt by fine or "in cases of willful and contumacious disobedience" by imprisonment.

No direct suggestion of compulsory arbitration is made, but the amendments, if adopted, would leave unchanged the provisions of the present law that whenever a strike or lockout is threatened anywhere in Colorado it shall be the duty of the board "to inquire into the causes of the controversy," subpoena witnesses and so forth. This section the attorney general accounted unobjectionable by conflicting provisions which are amended.

The value of compelling testimony, the report sets forth, is that it will aid in clearing away misunderstandings, in making, for instance, an employee see by indisputable proof that his employer cannot grant an advance, whereas he might take his employer's unsupported word. Its value in creating public opinion, which is recognized as an influential factor in bringing about the settlement of difficulties, is mentioned also. It tends also toward compulsory arbitration in that it makes it more difficult for a court to issue an order requiring the recalcitrant to appear and testify, and, of course, should he fail to obey, the court, he would be liable to punishment for contempt.

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# TWENTY-TWO PERSONS INDICTED BY TELLURIDE GRAND JURY

Denver, Dec. 16.—A Telluride dispatch of last night says:

Judge Theron Stevens convened the District Court of San Miguel county this morning to receive the report of the grand jury, which completed its duties Saturday night by returning the report. At the opening of the court the members of the grand jury filed into the court room and took their seats in the jury box. The court room was partly filled with spectators, those present being principally local attorneys.

Judge Stevens arose and said: "Gentlemen of the jury, are you ready to report?"

Foreman Mansfield replied: "We are, your honor, I have here the report of the grand jury, with fifty-seven true bills."

Stepping forward, he handed the report to the judge, together with a bundle of legal papers.

Following is the report of the jury: "To the Honorable District Court of San Miguel County, Colorado:

"We, the undersigned grand jury, chosen, selected and sworn in and for the county of San Miguel, in the state of Colorado, at this November term hereof in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and two, respectfully make the following report, to-wit:

"That they have sat for a period of thirteen days and have diligently investigated each and every of the matters and things which they were required to investigate by the charge of the court and have also investigated various other matters that have been called to their attention. That they have found and do return herewith fifty true bills for various offenses charged against twenty-two different persons arising out of the riot that occurred at the Smuggler-Union mine on July 3, 1901.

# BOYCOTT HELD TO BE ILLEGAL

Denver, Dec. 16.—A News special from Telluride yesterday says:

Judge Theron Stevens this morning decided against the Miners' Union in the Glazier boycott case, and before him a few months ago. The union had boycotted the restaurant conducted by James Glazier because he was patronizing the Telluride Journal, upon which a boycott had previously been placed.

The union placed pickets at the restaurant, whom it was to inform patrons of the place that it had been boycotted.

Glazier applied to County Judge Wardlaw for an injunction restraining the union from having pickets at the restaurant, claiming that they greatly interfered with his business. The injunction was granted and the union did not send representatives to make any defense. Nearly three months ago John Murphy, attorney for the union, argued before Judge Stevens for a dissolution of the injunction. E. C. Howe and H. M. Hoge argued for Glazier and the matter was taken under advisement.

The substance of the decision of the court is contained in the following paragraphs:

"Unquestionably the defendants have the right to withhold their patronage from any person or association, whether they are unfriendly or otherwise, and they may agree among themselves to do so, even though such action should result in the entire destruction of the business of such person or association.

"In this case, however, it may be inferred from the pleadings that pickets were placed in close proximity to the business place of the plaintiff for the sole purpose of injuring and destroying his business and to induce the plaintiff's patrons and persons other than the defendants to withhold their patronage from him. It is not shown that the defendants have any interests to protect by the method employed, and surely it will not be contended that there is any value in a friendship that is secured by coercion or association.

"It is claimed by defendants that no threats or violence of any kind were used, but it is not stated that it was necessary to station the pickets at plaintiff's place of business for the purpose of communicating the fact of his unaffection to the members of the defendant association.

"While no threats were used, yet the very presence of the pickets in numbers was a threat in itself. In effect,

That they have found and return herewith a true bill against John Doe for the murder of Arthur L. Collins on November 19, 1902, but that after exhaustive investigation they have been unable to charge any certain individual with the commission of that crime.

"That they have found a true bill against John Doe for assault with intent to murder James Phillips on or about November 24, 1901, but after diligent investigation have been unable to charge any certain individual with the commission of that crime.

"That they have found a true bill against one W. D. Barney on or about June 23, 1901, and against one Wesley E. Smith on or about March 4, 1902, the grand jurors have exhausted every resource at their command in their efforts to determine the nature of whatever crime may have been committed against these respective persons, yet laying aside their personal views as men and individuals as to what may have been the cause of the mysterious disappearance of these persons, as regards the offenses with which they are charged, they are unable to charge any specific person with any specific charge regarding these persons.

"The grand jurors also herewith return one true bill for assault with intent to kill, and one true bill for illegal liquor selling, and that said grand jurors further report that each and every member of their body has been present throughout each and every session and sitting that they have held and that each and every one of the fifty-seven true bills herewith returned was duly voted upon and approved by a vote as required by law.

"Dated at Telluride, Colo., this 15th day of December, in the year of our Lord 1902."

it was saying to all persons who were disposed to do business with the plaintiff. This person is unfit to organized labor. We do not want you to do business with him; if you do we shall consider such act as unfriendly to organized labor and we will boycott you the same way as we are doing here."

"It cannot reasonably be denied that such a boycott is intended in placing such pickets and such a result would logically and naturally follow. Threats in language are not the only threats recognized by law. Covert and unspoken threats may be just as effective as spoken threats."—Casey vs. Union, 45 Fed. 135.

"From a full consideration of all these authorities cited, I am unable to reach any other conclusion than that no justification is shown in the said further defense for the action of the defendants. For that reason the demurrer of plaintiff should be sustained and it is so ordered. It is further ordered that for the reasons assigned in the ruling upon the demurrer in this case the motion to dissolve the injunction in this case is overruled."

Heavy Snow at Durango. Denver, Dec. 16.—A Republican special from Durango last night says: It cleared last night, after the heaviest snowstorm this section has experienced in eight or ten years. It commenced snowing Thursday and fully three feet fell in Durango and surrounding country, but being warm until today, melted until only about eighteen inches remains on the level. In the mountains the snow is between four and five feet deep and means a blessing to farmers the coming year. So far less of stock is reported, although the storm extended over San Juan county, New Mexico, Farmington having about ten inches of snow, something unusual for that section.

With Invade Nicaragua. Washington, Dec. 16.—Whatever doubt existed in Nicaragua as to the intention of Colombia to carry out her threat to attack her as soon as her own revolutionary movement had been checked, has been removed by the receipt of advices of a semi-official character here, that the Colombian army officers at Panama and Colon are steadily but quietly making ready for an invasion of Nicaragua.

Colombia wishes to take forcible possession of the Mosquito strip which would give control of both routes available for an isthmian canal, and so enable her to make her own terms.

# DOWIE OF ZION CITY A REMARKABLE FAITH HEALER.

Claims to Be the Reincarnation of the Prophet Elijah—Controls Fifteen Million Dollars and Has Founded a City of Six Thousand Inhabitants.

Most remarkable of all the faith healers, prophets or messiahs who have rushed to the rescue of a sinful world in the last half century, is Rev. John Alexander Dowie of Zion, Illinois, general overseer of Zion, as he calls himself, or Elijah the Restorer; for he claims to be the reincarnation of Elijah the Prophet; or to be more exact, the third reincarnation, for the first Elijah was caught up to heaven in a whirlwind, and the second, John the Baptist, was beheaded.

He is remarkable first for the size of his fortune, for he has accumulated as a faith-breaker by outcries at \$15,000,000 in ten years, on a capital of nothing.

He is remarkable for the number of his followers and his hold upon them. No fewer than 100,000 persons, scattered through the world, profess faith in him.

He is remarkable for having succeeded in founding a model city of 6,000 souls, inhabited solely by his followers.

He is remarkable for the perfection of the organization he has formed. It is not only prosecuted by the graves of all over the world, but it also conducts a great variety of business enterprises. He is remarkable for the fact that everything is founded on his own personality. All the property is in his name, and everything is done by his direct order, and everything depends for its existence on him.

But most remarkable of all is the method by which he has accomplished all this. Starting as an obscure, penniless faith healer, in a little cottage on the South Side in Chicago ten years ago, he began preaching to a little band in a cheap hall. Soon he had enough of a following and enough contributions to hire the Auditorium, Chicago's largest and handsomest theater, for his Sunday services. He has been holding meetings there ever since, and he began preaching to a little band in a cheap hall. Soon he had enough of a following and enough contributions to hire the Auditorium, Chicago's largest and handsomest theater, for his Sunday services. He has been holding meetings there ever since, and he began preaching to a little band in a cheap hall. Soon he had enough of a following and enough contributions to hire the Auditorium, Chicago's largest and handsomest theater, for his Sunday services. 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We will not try to enumerate in this article all the resources with which we are endowed as we have allotted them to a place of their own in our Special Edition.

PARACHUTE.

Parachute, Colo., Dec. 8, '02. Dear Sir: Find enclosed some facts about Parachute, also 425 photo (mattress) of our apple picking crew.

There was boxed and shipped from the Connell ranch over 2,200 boxes of apples, pears and plums; from the Battlement fruit ranch of R. F. Campbell, over 2,200 boxes of apples and pears were shipped to eastern parties.

Rifle has a population of about one thousand bright intelligent and prosperous people, some of whom are of the best educated business men and women in the state.

Rifle is on the main line of both the Denver and Rio Grande, and Colorado Midland railroads, and is also connected with Meeker by a stage line which is in itself a feature, the distance to Meeker being 43 miles of mountainous road and traveled in five hours.

Parachute has an estimated population of 250 people. It has three churches, one school, two blacksmith shops, two real estate offices, one new drug store, two railroads (D. & R. G. and Colorado Midland), three grocery stores, a Woodmen Hall, post office, one new lumber yard, one new hotel, sugar factory, cannery, factory, an evaporating plant, a new hardware store coming, also a weekly newspaper in a very short time.

There is a report from Washington that the committee on statehood approves of admission of Oklahoma but drags the line on New Mexico and Arizona. That is to say, Oklahoma becomes the children in the good old orthodox way of one at a time but strenuously objects to twins and triplets—Glenwood Post.

HAVE YOU SEEN 'Christmas' AT Stauffers' Pharmacy?

Those who have, say, 'It's a large and elegant display.' It consists of: Dolls—dressed and undressed, Doll Heads, Doll Beds and woolly animals for children. Books, Bibles, Childrens Story and Luen Books, X'mas Cards, Calendars. Fancy Stationary, Gold Pens, Fountain Pens, Ink-wells, Paper Weights and Waste Paper Baskets.

Church Notes.

Services for next Sabbath will be as follows: Morning 10:30 Beaver Creek, evening 7:30 Rifle. The pastor was at De Beque a couple of days this week, assisting the pastor at that place in a series of meetings, now being held.

From Jim Rilands Paper.

Don't be a knocker. Let the other fellow feel good if he wants to—particularly if his exuberance is caused by or through patriotism for home institutions—established or incubating. Tom Elliott, Roy Marker, Ro Utt and Jones, all of Rifle, passed through town yesterday on the way to Craig, loaded with freight.

Additional Locals.

Large assortment of rubber dolls and toys just received. STAUFFERS' Pharmacy. Born—to Mr. and Mrs. J. M. White on Wednesday evening, a fine girl baby Mrs. White has been seriously ill, but is at present some better.

For Sale One half interest in a lumber business, to right party. Have so many other interests that I can not give it the required attention. C. M. DONELL. The band fellows are putting in some mighty good ticks at practicing these evenings down at Garrison's studio and they seem to be improving too. The dispense some very good music.

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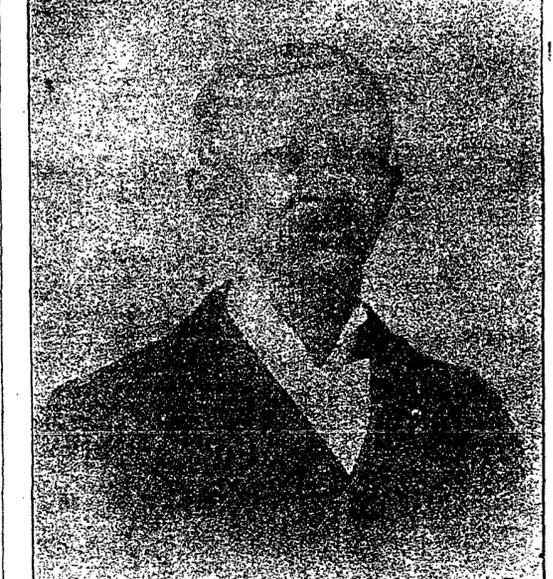
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THE LATE CHAUNCY C. ROBINSON.

'Chan' Robinson, a well-known Rifle business man, died Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock of hemorrhage. About six weeks ago he was taken ill and went to Glenwood for treatment. He remained here about a month and then returned home, gradually growing worse. Chauncy C. Robinson was formerly deputy secretary of state and one of the prominent men of Denver who, through his own efforts and ability established an enviable record and won a host of friends for himself in both public and private life.

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The Land of Cows, Alfalfa, Fruit, Money and Business.

Coming Metropolis of the Western Slope

The aim of this short article is neither for cheap notoriety nor an advertising medium. It is often interesting to know something of the struggles of the early pioneers and to learn who were the original settlers, and who were the projectors along certain lines of business. This short history will state simple facts, in plain language, and will show the growth in this portion of Rifle valley, also the advance in the town of Rifle since its inception and the class of men it takes for pioneers and world-builders.

They must be men of brain, brawn and courage, willing to endure hardships and privations, and those were the kind of men who built in the early days of Rifle. Those were the men that made it possible for the soft-handed and silken-hatred to ride through these valleys in their automobiles.

About the 27th day of July, 1882, Abram W. Maxfield and Charles Star-

family moved. At one point on the route he had to take his wagon to pieces and pack it over the top of a mountain and put it together where he could hitch his horses to it. It was the first wagon to come west of Glenwood Springs, and thus obstacle after obstacle was met with and overcome, and finally the family and household goods were deposited in the little log cabin with a joy and satisfaction that only a pioneer can know.

Roy O. Maxfield, son of the late A. W. Maxfield, was one of the hustling early pioneers, who made special arrangements with his parents to be the first white baby born in the Rifle valley—born October 5, 1883, ten days after their arrival at their new home.

Red Cliff, ninety-six miles east of Rifle, was the supply point for the family, and a journey with pack horses took many days, and when snow was encountered on the mountains the

the first year. A toll road was built from De Beque toward Grand Junction and a stage line was opened.

The Maxfield postoffice was the distributing point for all the north country, also handling the mail for Parachute and the surrounding country, except the Ferguson community, Mr. Geo. Ferguson being postmaster for that place.

In March, 1889, D. G. McGinley asked permission to erect a dry goods and grocery store on the ranch. He built on the south side of the county road and opposite the log cabin.

A month or two later Clarence Tracy opened a tent saloon and laded out wealth and happiness to an army of railroad graders who were camped a mile east of Rifle. The Denver & Rio Grande narrow-gauge railroad was making rapid headway westward and toward the Rifle valley, and on July 15, 1889, the smoke-stack of her engine showed up and the first toot of her whistle echoed and re-echoed throughout the surrounding mountains and valleys of Rifle for the first time.

There were only a few men and one woman and a little girl to welcome the advent of the pioneer engine, and they did it right royally by shouting themselves hoarse, and were answered in turn by much puffing and whistling, both parties appearing mutually delighted to make each other's acquaintance.

Mr. Maxfield, quick to grasp the situation, and believing the opportunity had come to him to better his financial condition, employed W. C. Kennedy, a state engineer and surveyor, and laid out one-half of his ranch into the town-site of Rifle. A few weeks later he hired carpenters and began the erection of the Winchester hotel, which he ran for two years.

A splendid crop of oats covered forty acres and reached almost to where the hotel was in course of building.

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ner of Third street and West Railroad avenue and rented it to D. G. and John McGinley. D. G. McGinley then moved his stock of goods from the little store that he had run the previous year and added a few thousand dollars more to it, and opened a first class dry goods and grocery store.

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came the first postmaster in the new town.

Pietro Satille and Andrew Gallo built the adobe two-story building on the corner of Main street and East Railroad avenue.

F. M. Collins built the first livery barn, on Third street, opposite the Winchester hotel. This was when the stage line put up. Pay Gorham was the Jehu who handled the ribbons, watched with careful eye Uncle Sam's mail and transported tourists back and forth between this point and the White river country. Mr. Gorham is now the effi-

cient manager of the stage and transportation line at Rifle.

A. C. Wiseman built the Eagle house and run it successfully for two years. An all round hustler who can turn his attention to almost anything, but it will eventually turn to running a hotel again, as within the past three years he has built a comfortable brick hotel, at present managed by John Nelson.

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W. W. Tichenor was the first medical practitioner to reside in the town.

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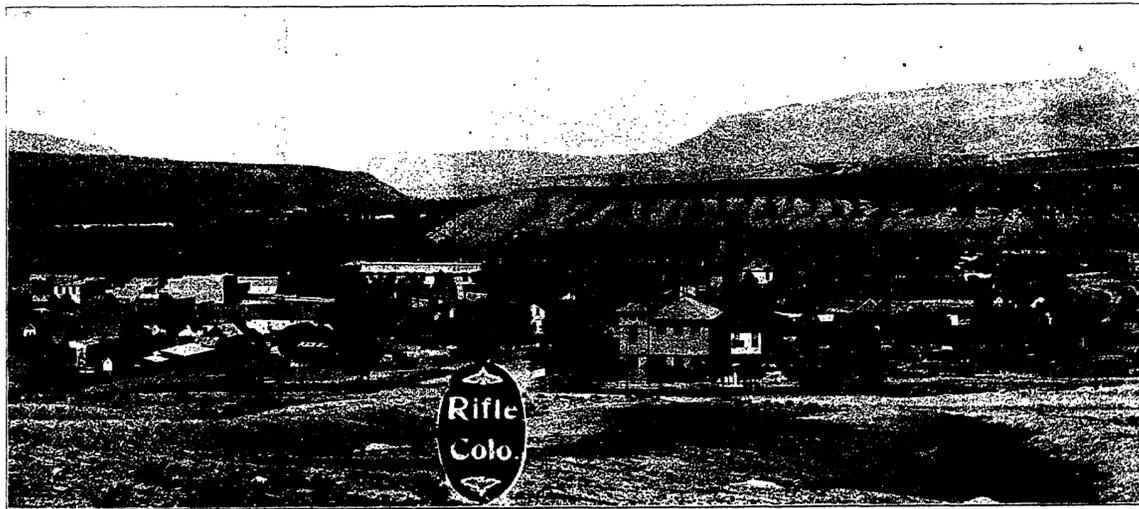
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shall left the mining camp on Battle mountain in Eagle county, Colorado, riding two horses and leading two extra horses, packed with bedding, provisions, compass, axes, etc. They wended their way over hill and dale, through gorge and stream, down into the valley of the Grand river. Fifteen or twenty miles a day was good traveling. However, on the first night of August, they camped with George Ferguson on his ranch, now known as Silt.

The morning of the 2nd of August the two men saddled their horses and headed westward, keeping close to the Grand river and down the valley.

About noon they reached the Rifle valley, and after looking over the proposition, Mr. Maxfield concluded to drive his location stakes.

Mr. Marshall, however, remonstrated gently, saying, "Maxfield, you are surely not going to stop here. I'm sure there must be something better further down. Come on with me to the Roan creek." "No," replied Maxfield, "this is good enough for me. I see where I can get water out of this Rifle creek, and have it right on the ranch. No, sir; I'll stop right now, and here I'll raise my Ebenezer," and forthwith began to drive his location stakes into the soil that is now covered by the splendidly progressive and busy town of Rifle.

The next day Mr. Maxfield turned his face homeward toward Battle mountain. A few weeks later he returned to the Rifle valley, bringing his son Clinton with him. Together they got out a set of house logs and built the first log cabin in Rifle. (Two years later they built an adobe addition). By the time the log cabin was built the snow was getting deep on the mountain ranges and they concluded to return to their mountain home. The following July, 1883, Mr. Maxfield moved his family down to the valley, camped them in Glenwood Springs for two months. There being no highway except Indian trails over the mountains and through the valleys, it was with considerable difficulty that he got his

days ran into weeks before the round trip could be accomplished.

Some time in 1884 a stage line was established between the White river country and the Rifle valley. The first postoffice was at Parker's ranch, now the Austin ranch, two miles above the town of Rifle. In 1885 the postoffice was moved to A. W. Maxfield's ranch and he became postmaster.

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## Yesterday, To-Day, and To-Morrow

By J. L. McDOWELL, Rifle, Colo.

J. L. McDowell, the manager for J. W. Hugas & Co., who has written Rifle in verse for this issue, has considerable reputation as a writer of verse and character sketches. He promises to contribute occasionally to the columns of the Reveille.

### YESTERDAY

Where the creek and river meet,  
And mesas rise above the "Grand,"  
Where cactus lurks for wand'ring feet,  
The sage brush curse is on the land;  
Here grouse and rabbit make a home—  
The wolf and coyote yelp—  
Unfrightened, here the wild deer roam,  
Nor need a warden's help.

The camp-fire's embers wax and wane—  
Their smoke still taints the sky—  
Where Indians mourn their warriors slain  
On battle-fields near by:  
Thornburg's and Meeker's ghastly tale  
Had to the world been told,  
And soldiers on the bloody trail  
Left Indians stark and cold:  
Then Rifle, as a thing unborn,  
Was in the womb of Time;  
No page of history did adorn—  
Unknown to fame, in rhyme.

### TO-DAY

Where the creek and river meet,  
The trains go thundering by  
A frontier town, with busy street,  
Where brick and stone rise high:  
In valleys once the home of deer,  
Now peaceful farms are found:  
Along the river, far and near,  
Fruit orchards now abound:  
The mesas echo to the tread  
Of herds with branded sides;  
By day and night, in stampede's dread,  
In schappes and spurs, the cowboy rides:  
Bucking bronchos, angry steers—  
A fero dealer's losing frown—  
There's none of these he ever fears,  
There is nothing gets him down,  
One need not be in cattle skilled  
To know what Rifle is;  
Wh'er he goes his ears are filled  
With talk of cattle "biz."

### TO-MORROW

Our Rifle we will load for bear,  
Our aim be always true;  
We'll get our share of "business meat,"  
And this is what we'll do:  
Garfield county great shall be,  
And Rifle win renown,  
For when we all shall once agree  
We'll be a really town,  
With big arc lights on every street  
And water cheap as beer—  
Have sidewalks for our weary feet,  
And no "bad men" to fear,  
A brand new jail, perhaps, we'll build,  
For "Dykes" and other things,  
And lawyers, too, to keep it filled,  
Will come from Glenwood Springs;  
And when her springs and pool run dry,  
(Where tourists bathe their tender feet,  
We'll never let a chance go by  
To steal the county seat,  
A canning factory will come next,  
And on the slopes by orchards graced,  
No more the grower's soul be vexed  
By crops abundant gone to waste;  
And miles and miles of bottom land  
Shall with alfalfa bloom,  
And all "Missury" be on hand  
To help "old Rifle" boom.



Mrs. F. A. Maxfield.

store where he is now doing a splendid business. Stock on hand at present is worth \$15,000.

The Clarkson & Munro addition to the town of Rifle was another demand which Munro was instrumental in furnishing. He bought forty acres in March, 1900, and had it surveyed into town lots. He sold reasonably cheap and they were soon bought up, only fifteen lots remaining out of thirty-two acres. This only partially shows the growth of Rifle.

One of the latest arrivals of cool-headed business men is our genial C. M. Donell, builder and contractor.

Within the last two years he has contracted and built in the town eighteen bricks, ten business houses and eight residences, his own residence costing about \$3,500. In connection, he has opened a lumber yard with \$7,000 worth of material on hand. He has also built a great number of lumber houses in town as well as out of town.

In 1898 Dr. W. LeRossignol opened an office in town, as did also Dr. Dymnberg. Both physicians are kept extremely busy and are well appreciated.

Rifle has grown two-thirds its size in the last two or three years and the prospects for continued building are good.

F. A. MAXFIELD.

STAUFFER'S PHARMACY.

Although Rifle boasts of an especially healthful climate, it also boasts of the neatest and most complete pharmacy to be found in a town of its size anywhere.

The proprietors, J. E. and Almida Stauffer, are thoroughly fitted for their calling, both being experienced graduates of pharmacy, and are uniting in their efforts to make their store one of the very best in this part of Colorado.

Mr. Stauffer is a native of Pennsylvania, whose early life was largely



J. E. Stauffer.

spent on a farm near Leocompton, Kansas. After preliminary common school and college education, he served an apprenticeship in a Lawrence, Kansas, drug store. He graduated from the State University School of Pharmacy in 1897, coming to Colorado the same year, since which time he has held



Almida Stauffer.

several responsible positions as clerk and manager.

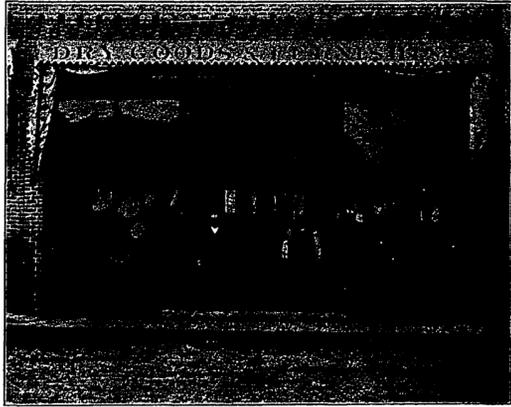
Mrs. Stauffer was born and reared in Lawrence, Kansas, and is a graduate of the high school of that place. She served an apprenticeship before entering the School of Pharmacy from which she graduated in the same class with her husband. In 1897 she accepted the situation of head clerk for the firm of H. S. Raymond & Co., which position she held up to her marriage with Mr. Stauffer about two years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Stauffer lived in Gunnison for some time prior to their coming to Rifle last July. Their photos and place of business appear elsewhere in this issue.

ZIESENISS & TODD.

Dry Goods and Furnishings.

Commencing several years ago in a small, one-story frame building, this popular firm has continued to prosper and increase its business until



Ziesennis & Todd's Store.

now it occupies one of the best appointed brick store buildings in the town. Their line is exclusive and they make a specialty of all that is latest and popular in the line of dry goods, shoes, hats, caps, furnishing goods, clothing, notions, etc.

Albert Ziesennis of the firm of Ziesennis & Todd is one of the prominent and enterprising business men of the town, public spirited and always ready to put his shoulder to the wheel and help advance any cause that he considers to be the best interests of the town. He is liberal in business dealings, yet a man of splendid judgment and rare ability. He owns a comfortable residence property on Railroad avenue and a fine ranch two miles west of town.

C. L. Todd, the other member of this firm, has splendid business qualifications, supplemented by an unusual amount of pluck and perseverance. Coming to this section of the country when cities like Aspen were inhabited only by red men of the forest and wild animals, he has helped blaze the trails, fight Indians and make this prolific region what it is to-day. He is a true reflex of the typical successful farmer and business man of to-day. In the recent campaign just closed he was persuaded to shy his castor into the political arena and although practically a novice at the political game, he came near being elected as representative to the state Legislature, despite the fact that his opponent was a man of experience and great standing in his party. Mr. Todd has been very successful in the accumulation of valuable property, owning one of the most beautiful ranches in the vicinity, which is conveniently located one-half mile from town, besides a handsome two-story brick residence, a picture of which is here appended; a half interest in this dry goods establishment, also being a partner in the undertaking firm of Todd & Emerson. The latter is the only undertaking firm in Rifle.

THE MUNRO MERCANTILE COMPANY.

Speaking about marvelous growth, there is not a business concern inside the boundaries of Eagle, Garfield or Pitkin counties that can boast of the rapidity with which the Munro Mercantile Company has attained its position as one of the largest, most progressive and prosperous mercantile houses in this big section of country. Beginning with but a small stock of hardware and groceries two years ago, their business has gradually increased until they now have a complete stock of everything, from a needle to an Osborne mower, and enjoy a patronage that would excite envy in the heart of many a larger concern. They feel a pardonable pride in their splendid success, most of which is undoubtedly due to the business sagacity, push and enterprise of Fred Munro, the secretary and manager, who is always on the alert, courteous and a firm believer in the value of printer's

ink, as is attested by the liberal amount of space that is regularly employed in the Reveille, as well as the use of various other advertising methods, such as placards, etc. Mr. Munro is the quintessence of wit and originality in his ad. writing and devotes as much time and attention to the editing of his advertisement each week as does the ordinary managing editor to the contents of his paper.

George E. Clarkson, the president of the Munro Mercantile Company, while

ital to conduct the business and we predict for them a career of commercial triumph.

Bert Talbott, one of the brightest most talented and trustworthy young men that Rifle ever produced, is manager of the new concern. Bert has been with this firm since its organization. He is a shrewd fellow and knows every detail of the business like a book. He is one of the best stock men in this section and has a fund of practical experience and ideas such as are possessed by few store men. Arrangement of goods to the best advantage is his strong point.

THE CLARK-WINCHESTER.

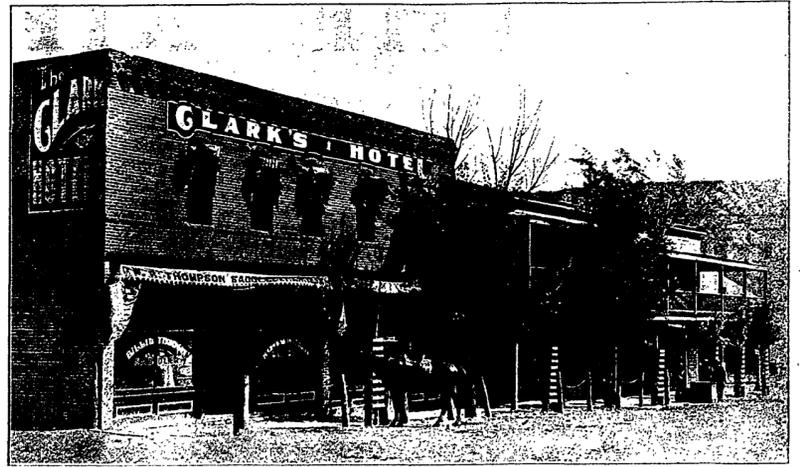
The Leading Hotel of Rifle.

This popular and favorite hostelry for traveling men and tourists, who visit this point in increasing large numbers every year, was the headquarters of President Roosevelt while hunting mountain lion in this vicinity shortly succeeding his election to the vice presidency.

President Roosevelt showed his appreciation of the royal manner in which he was entertained at the Clark-Winchester in his characteristic manner, and was especially delighted upon investigating the pictures of thoroughbred Herefords which adorn the office. He pronounced his stay in this section to have been the holiday of his life and promised to return at the very first opportunity.

This is the oldest and largest hotel in the city. Already quite large and roomy, it was recently enlarged and greatly improved by the addition of a two-story brick immediately adjoining it on the north. As will be seen by the photo, this combines to make it the largest, best and most up-to-date hotel to be found anywhere on the western slope in a town the size of Rifle.

The house is brilliantly illuminated



Clark and Winchester Hotel.

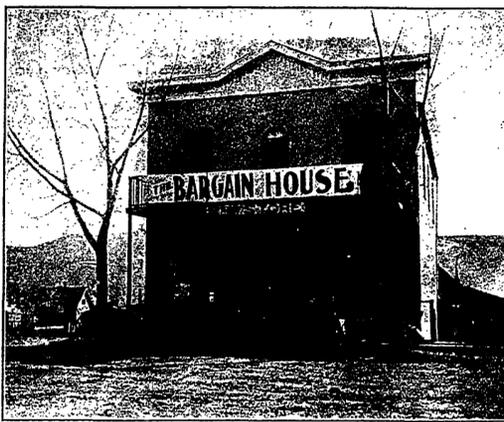
"annex," he now owns the fine, large fourteen-room hotel building to which every citizen of Rifle may point with pride.

BARGAIN HOUSE.

A. E. Phillips, Manager.

The community has for a number of years felt the need of a place where second-hand goods might be bought and sold. This want has been fully sup-

plied since Mr. Phillips' advent into our city. He keeps a full line of furniture and household goods, both new and second-hand. He sells an incredible number of heating stoves. A full line of crockery. This house can outfit a household from top to bottom.



Bargain House.

Mr. Phillips but recently came here from Fruita. He was for a number of years principal of the Fruita and Carbondale schools and is well known in the educational circles of this and other counties.

store. This was completed and stocked and occupied on August 1, 1902, just one year from the occupancy of the burned store. J. L. McDowell is local manager. The past reputation of the company for fair and liberal treatment of its patrons has been fully maintained, and the increasing prosperity of Garfield county will be shared, as it should, by J. W. Hagus & Co.

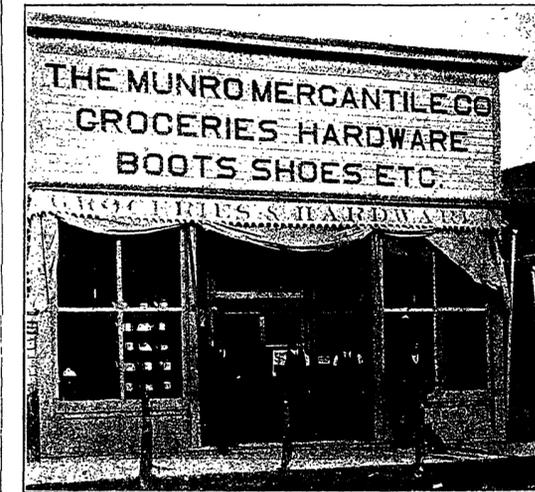
effort has been made to boom the town. Rifle's growth is the natural sequence of a rare combination of happy conditions, excellent citizenship, incomparable climate and a wide extent of surrounding territory whose resources are worthy of the consideration of anyone wishing to locate in a country where crops are sure and times are always good.

During his stay at the Clark hotel in this city, Theodore Roosevelt was very sociable and did not try to be served or avoid anybody. He was just plain Teddy, a brilliant conversationalist, enthusiastic and forceful, but not over-pedantic. "He's all right," was the verdict of those who met him. Several had the honor of being intro-



Roosevelt Entering Tally-ho in Front of Clark Hotel.

duced to the vice president-elect. The governor was himself once a western stockman, running three brands, and seemed to take great delight in looking at the framed pictures of thoroughbred stock that adorn the walls of the Clark hotel. He also evinced



Munro Mercantile Company's Store.

president of the company, but later Mr. Clarkson and Mr. Munro had so many interests in common that it seemed best to purchase Mr. Dougan's interest, which they did.



Fred Munro.

Munro Mercantile Company Expands.

The Munro Mercantile Company of Parachute was recently organized, with Fred Munro, George Clarkson, F. W. Popple and James A. Talbott as stockholders, each holding a one-fourth interest. They have ample cap-

acity and is elegantly furnished throughout, with comfortable beds, new furniture and affords accommodations equal to a city. The culinary department is supplied with the best the market affords, and the landlord takes great pride in endeavoring to please the public. An elegantly appointed bar and billiard room is run in connection.

GEORGE A. CLARK.

Proprietor of the Clark-Winchester. Whose picture appears in this article, is a good example of western push and enterprising business sagacity. Great credit is due Mr. Clark for the rapidity with which he has built up a large hotel business at this point, and he it is to whom our people owe



George A. Clark.

the most gratitude for having done perhaps more than any other man in Rifle to induce commercial men, tourists and, occasionally, good opera attractions to come here. And further, he has accorded them such rare and genial hospitality that they have seen fit to revisit us. Once tourists have ever tasted of the unequalled advantages this section offers the tired denizen of the effete east in quest of sport, rest or sight-seeing, he is at once captivated and never forgets the impression that is so beautifully imbedded in his memory.

George A. Clark was born in Southington, Connecticut, in October, 1844. He came to Colorado in May, 1872, and to Garfield county in 1885. He lived on a ranch, which he still owns, for a time, and in December, 1895, moved to Rifle and embarked in the hotel business. Beginning in the small building which he now utilizes as an

J. W. HUGUS & CO.

General Merchandise and Bankers.

There is probably no name more familiar to the people of western Colorado than the name of J. W. Hugus & Co. For thirty years theirs has been a policy of conservative expansion; and never in a single instance has the business sagacity of its founders and promoters failed of success. With an unwavering faith in the ultimate greatness of western Colorado, they have been the pioneers of the mercantile business. They have led the way and have had a marked influence on the growth and development of every section in which they have located, and have always extended a helping hand to those who also toiled and waited. Throughout the territory in which they have operated there are many prosperous men who owe their present prosperity, largely, to the opportune aid of J. W. Hugus & Co. The company owns and conducts to-day nine large general stores at the following places: Rawlins and Dixon, Wyoming, and at Wolcott, Debeque, Rifle, Meeker, Craig, Steamboat Springs and Hayden, Colorado. With banks at the five last named places. The store and bank at Rifle is one of the most important. The business was established in Rifle in 1895 and has been continuously successful since



W. M. Shipman's Rifle Water Wagon.

RIFLE WATER WAGON.

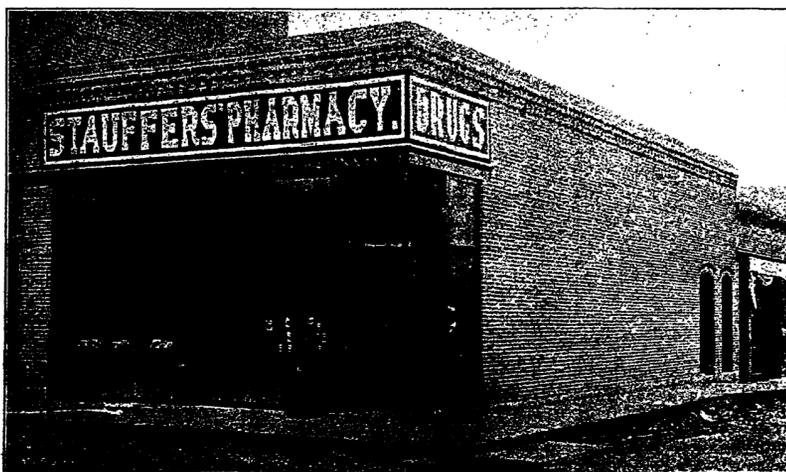
W. M. Shipman.

Water for domestic purposes is supplied to the citizens of Rifle by W. M. Shipman, who has a deep well across the river just south of town. Good, pure, clean water is delivered at your door as often during the day as you may desire. Shipman is very attentive to customers and gives general satisfaction.

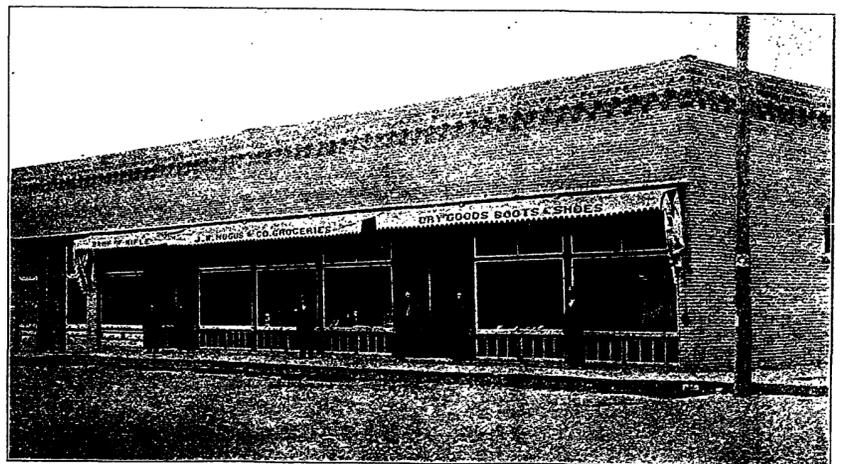
The advance made by this town during the past year has been truly phenomenal, considering the fact that no

great pleasure when informed as to the whereabouts of some of the Rough Riders who were in his regiment, and said that they were good men. He said that the duration of his stay in this country would depend largely upon the success they might enjoy in search of game. When attired for the long, cold drive overland to Meeker he looked to be anything but the vice president-elect of the United States.

Roosevelt was not worried by curiosity seekers and camera fiends during his stay in Rifle, all of which was duly appreciated by the great man.



Stauffer's Pharmacy.



Store and Bank Building of J. W. Hugus & Co.

# A Glimpse of the Future

Every indication points to a dense population in the Colorado of the future. The three chief reasons for this will be the mines, the water power of the streams and irrigation. Coal gave England and Belgium their opportunity as great manufacturing nations, and sent Pennsylvania to

River valley on both sides of that stream, possess these essential conditions to a degree surpassed by few, if any regions of this state, and the natural result of these conditions may be predicted with a conviction that approaches close to a certainty. Rifle will always be "a good town," and its growth will be continuous for

The farmers will not be able to afford to keep poor cattle. The land will be too valuable. The best of everything will be none too good for the people of that region. The stock will be the best that can be imported from other states for awhile, and then the stockgrowers will develop horses and cattle and other animals that are choicer than can be raised anywhere else, and some of these will be sent back to improve the herds of Iowa, Illinois and Missouri.

The farmers will be manufacturers in the winter time, and with cheap power easily available at any point in the valley, they will, like the Swiss, develop local industries in which the skill of the hand and the eye of the artist will produce results that can never be matched by the machine work of large factories.

In common with the people of the rest of Colorado, the men and the women will grow larger and taller and will live longer than those of other states, where there is less sunshine and more poverty.

There will be a great national park, or a national game reserve, in the White River mesa and flat-tops coun-



Deer Eaten by Coyotes, Near Rifle.

second place among the American states.

Water power gave New England its start in manufacturing.

Irrigation has always tended towards a dense population and an intensive cultivation of the soil, for the irrigated acres become too valuable and cost too much to maintain to be wasted in cheap crops.

Colorado has coal and an endless variety of natural products to serve as raw material for manufactures. It has the water power supplied by streams



A Mountain Lion.

whose rapid currents are the natural result of the mountain slopes. It has, or will have, an immense system of reservoirs, flumes and ditches constructed for a different purpose, but capable of yielding enormous amounts of easily utilized water power. It has a soil and a climate suitable for a high grade of agriculture, and a water supply sufficient to bring into cultivation all the irrigable lands of the mountain section and large areas of the plains.

The dense population of the state will maintain high prices for farming products, will increase the value of all farming lands and will give additional impulse toward a system of small farms carefully cultivated.

The greatest advantage of these conditions will come to those parts of the state in which they prevail to the greatest extent. A rich valley in the mountains, situated on a main line of railway communication, surrounded by important resources of natural wealth, with a considerable area of fertile land, possessing an abundant water supply, and within reasonable distance of important mining districts not possessing sufficient agricultural capabilities of their own, is an ideal Colorado

many years to come, though not at an unvarying rate. It will be surrounded before many years with a rich farming country of orchards, gardens and small farms, all in the highest state of cultivation, carefully tilled and supporting a comparatively dense population. The city will change gradually toward the country, and the ranchmen will enjoy the advantages of daily rural mail delivery, of telephones and of nearness to an electric railway which will surely be built from the city to the coal mines at the gap. The power for this will be supplied by coal burned at the mouth of the mines. Similar lines will extend up and down the Grand River valley, and another one will stretch along the north side of the hogback, for the use of the numerous coal mines.

The main transcontinental railways will be operated by electricity, and this will be supplied in part from water power, and in part from plants located at the mouth of the coal mines. The locomotive will carry no fuel sup-



Roy Marker, One of Our Popular Guides, and Party, Just Returned From the Day's Hunt.

try, and the grandchildren of the present residents of Rifle Creek valley will enjoy their summer hunts and camping quite as much as do those of the present day.

The making of pottery or china, the canning of fruit and vegetables, the making of cheese and honey, the raising of poultry, will be among the important industries, together with

basis. There are some experienced and proficient wind-jammers identified with the band, and, together with the accession of a number of promising new members that have been lately added, it is thought that Rifle may, with good reasons, expect some excellent music in the future. R. F. Buckles is the musical director.

## RIFLE SHOTS

From the First Issue of the Reveille.

Komo Jim was in town this week for the purpose of purchasing a slight jag. It is needless to say that he got there.

There is a great difference between Wiseman and Tracey. Mr. Tracey is an easy-going, good-natured fellow, while Wiseman is always red-headed.

Ben Thompson, from up the creek, was in town Thursday.

A. Glover has just completed a business house on Third street. James Powell was the architect.

Ed T. Todhunter of New Martinsburg, Ohio, is spending the summer on Mamm creek with his uncle Clint.

C. J. Shideler of White river and Ery Lynn of P. L. ranch, Piee Anse creek, were in town this week. They report the stock loss very heavy in those localities for the winter.

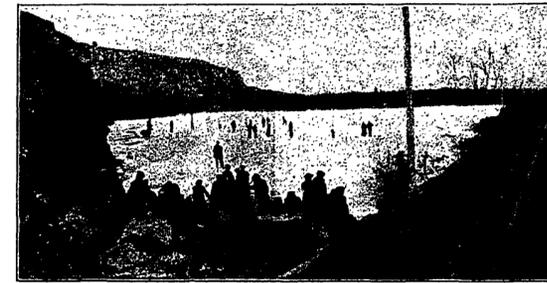
means of support when deprived of his protection.

The average duration of a class of lives is certain; there is no certainty

small one, and can easily be afforded by any one having a moderate income. Inquire of Cochran & Miller, Rifle, Colorado.

oughly deserving of the large practice and entire success that he enjoys.

Dr. N. Dymenberg was born in Czernowitz, Austria, and graduated from the high school and university at that place. He later took his degree of M. D. at the University of St. Paul, Minnesota. He is also a post-graduate of the Chicago Polyclinic, and was



Mile Pond Just East of Town.



DR. O. L. MCARTNEY,

The Dentist of Glenwood, Who Frequently Visits Rifle and Has a Large Practice Here.

## DR. N. DYMENBERG, M. D.

Physician and Surgeon.

Dr. Noah Dymenberg is an experienced practitioner, whose every act since locating in Rifle has been commendable, both to himself and this community. Of progressive bent, excellent ability as a man of the world and in his profession, he embodies all that is ideal in the man who loves his profession, and devotes attention to the welfare of the community in which he lives, the happiness of his family—and in all is successful.

The doctor has a penchant for supplying his office, pharmacy and labor-

formerly assistant to Drs. Ames & Moore of Minneapolis, Minnesota, general surgeons for the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul & Manitoba Railroad. He is now examining physician for the Equitable Life, Prudential, Modern Woodmen and W. of W. He located in Rifle five years ago. He is at present serving as president of the Rifle board



A Grand Valley Fruit Orchard.

ply, and there will probably be no locomotives, each car furnishing its own motive power.

Rifle will have in the near future its own water system, electric light plant and sewer system, and these will belong to the city.

There will be numerous reservoirs in the mountains, on the headwaters

forms of light manufacturing, the precise nature of which will be determined by future conditions and events.

The building of the Moffat road, or of a line to Meeker, will not hurt Rifle, but on the contrary, whatever tends to build up the country, to develop its natural resources and to bring more people into it, will be a benefit to all persons now there.

Artesian water will be found at or near Rifle and will be an important part of the local water supply. The discovery of oil is possible or doubtful, and is of less importance than that of good artesian water.

The big mesas south of the river and east of Rifle will be irrigated and devoted to crops that cannot be grown in the lower valleys for lack of space.

Garfield county will be divided into three, with county seats at Carbondale, Glenwood and Rifle, and each of these will be more populous and prosperous than the combined county now is.

Some boy born in the Rifle Creek valley will be governor of Colorado and President of the United States, and his wife will be a girl of the same locality.

And the creek will continue to flow down hill until the end of time, and the people will be just as happy and contented and rich and prosperous as they deserve to be.

WALTER L. WILDER.

## THE RIFLE BAND.

This is one of Rifle's best organizations that is fast coming to the front. It has recently been reorganized and will soon be put on a firm financial

There are two gangs of track layers laying the broad gauge rails towards Rifle and they are coming at the rate of two miles per day. Roadmaster John Sweeney is in charge.

Greeley Brown, from Upper Rifle creek, made us a call Thursday.

Incorporation talk is heard for the town every now and then.

fers a sure provision for the support of the family at a time which is certain to come, and when all other means of support are likely to be cut off. It is a comfort to all during the life of the insured, and a blessing to the family after his death.

The premiums paid for life insurance may be said to represent money



They Are Our Long Suit.

Rifle must have a daily mail. The hardship that is being worked against us now owing to the slow mails can not longer be endured.

## LIFE INSURANCE

Is a plan by which a man can secure his family from being left without the

saved—not money spent. In case of early death, the return is out of all proportion to the premiums paid; and it is exceedingly unlikely that the insured will ever reach an age where the cash paid for premiums will exceed the face of the policy. The outlay for a life policy is a comparatively



W. H. Person of Denver, and Lion Killed Near Rifle.

atory with all the improvements that science devises and his practice necessitates. He has one of the most comfortable homes in town and is thor-

of education, and takes great interest in the duties which thereby devolve upon him. He has a wife and two children.



Roosevelt's Guide, John Goff, and His Dogs.

district, and all such must infallibly progress and develop rapidly in the coming years.

Rifle and the Rifle Creek valley, and the neighboring parts of the Grand

of Rifle creek and of the streams that arise in the Mamm range, and the waters there stored will be utilized for the production of power as well as for irrigation.

## RIFLE POINTERS

Greatest cattle shipping point in the state.  
 Best fruit growing section in Colorado, local fruit recently having taken all the first premiums at St. Louis.  
 Best building stone to be procured anywhere.  
 Excellent brick are manufactured in large and increasing quantities.  
 The natural outlet and best trading point for the vast empire lying north and westward of this point.  
 Enough coal to supply the world, easy of access.  
 Fire clay and numerous other resources too numerous to mention.  
 Canning factories, beet sugar factories and all other kinds of factories are coming at no distant day.  
 The best outfitting and starting point for all hunting, fishing and tourist parties.  
 President Roosevelt's headquarters while on his famous lion hunt.  
 The liveliest and best town—commercially speaking—for its size in Colorado.  
 Best of educational facilities.  
 The coming metropolis of the Western Slope.  
 "The land of cows, alfalfa, fruit, money and business."

# THE RIFLE REVEILLE

SPECIAL SOUVENIR EDITION

B. F. MILLER, Editor and Publisher

RIFLE, COLORADO, DECEMBER 19, 1902.

## INTRODUCTORY

IN THIS advanced period in the history of Rifle it becomes our duty to advertise and help advance the interests of the town. The natural wealth and attractions are here, and there is a demand that we exploit them.

In presenting this Souvenir Pictorial Edition of the Reveille to the public, we do so with the proud consciousness that it is the neatest and most comprehensive illustrated special edition that has ever been issued by any country newspaper on the Western Slope. No time, money or labor have been spared to make it attractive in its every feature, and we feel satisfied that it will meet the requirements.

In preparing the matter we have had no unfriendly thought toward any citizen or firm in the town, and have had to rely mainly upon information received of those whom we were fortunate enough to interview. This edition has the widest circulation and is the largest ever issued from the town of Rifle. Great care has been taken to secure facts and to present them in as brief a form as possible without eliminating any of the vital points. Nearly every business man and firm of Rifle is represented, and we have most earnestly desired to make it thoroughly and impartially representative.

This edition contains valuable advertising matter for the community. It has cost the publisher lots of money and many days of hard labor to get it out, and we believe and hope that it will meet with the appreciation it deserves. It is a handsome paper to send to eastern friends, one all should take pride in sending away, as it covers the town completely and is better than a hundred letters. Price, 10 cents per single copy.

B. F. MILLER, Publisher and Editor.

## RIFLE AND THE FUTURE

With the dawn of the coming new year Rifle looks into the future with confidence and hope, assured that what has been done is but a type and a forecast of what is to be achieved. It will push forward to bear the responsibilities and to discharge the duties that will come to it with incorporation and succeeding years.

The year just closed was one of great and widespread prosperity. This year Rifle has exhibited a degree of energy and enterprise which left no room to doubt or question the determination of its people to grasp their opportunities and to develop the natural wealth of a country more varied in its resources than any other region of equal area in the world.

It has been shown that the soft climate of this part of Colorado and the Grand Valley, especially, is so well adapted to the growth of sugar beets that better results can be achieved here than almost anywhere else in the world. Growing sugar beets is a lucrative kind of farming in which many people in the Grand Valley in the vicinity of Grand Junction have engaged with great success, and we have every reason to believe that a beet sugar factory for Rifle is a possibility that may be realized at no far distant day.

A canning factory is an almost immediate necessity and will come with incorporation, water works system, electric lights, etc.

The population of the town has rapidly increased during the year, and this has been particularly noticeable since the fire last spring. The demand for good, suitable houses is so great that it has been impossible, even with an exceptional building record, to supply it. This demand continues and it is probable that in the year to come Rifle will surpass in the construction of new buildings the record of any previous year.

With the leveling to ashes of almost the entire business section of Rifle but a few short months ago, one might have imagined that her halcyon days had past, but not so with The Magic Wonder of the Western Slope. She steps forward to greater achievements and further advancement.

## OUR MAIN RESOURCES

The main resources of our coming metropolis are cattle, agricultural products and fruit raising. It is a shipping point for cattle from the entire northwestern portion of the state, and the rich grazing land of this district results in sending out the cattle in the very finest of condition. Since August 1st 1,100 cars of live stock have been shipped from this place, and the average value per carload was \$1,000. The estimate of the hay product is 5,000 tons, none of which is shipped away. It is all used for home feeding, the town being a watering and feeding point for cattle in transit. A large amount is consumed in that way.

Our fruit is an item worthy of considerable mention. The production of the district, as near as can be estimated, amounts to \$30,000, a large proportion—perhaps one-fourth—being sent to Rio Blanco and Rout counties. Our principal fruits are apples, pears and peaches.

Potatoes are also grown here, large shipments being made every year. When we say potatoes, we mean Potatoes—not the little, measly, marble-sized variety, but the full grown American Spud—fully developed, ranging from two to eleven pounds.

We are not only fortunate in having the above mentioned gifts of soil-producing articles of food and trade, but are richly endowed in another matter—that of coal—coal to burn, and plenty of it. We could supply a city with a population of 5,000 for the same amount of years and then have coal left—good, clean, combustible coal in the true sense of the word.

## SOMETHING A-DOIN'

"The Coming Metropolis of the Western Slope," is what all the residents and ranchers within traveling and trading distance of Rifle think, and with the best of reasons. To those unfamiliar with the resources and surroundings of Rifle, a few words in way of explanation may be appropriate. Nothing can be procured in the way of conclusive evidence to better illustrate the condition of prosperity that here prevails than the story of our recent fire, which left the little city in ashes. Did the town lie dormant? Did the merchants become despondent and look for other locations? No, indeed. They knew too well the future of Rifle—the advantages and wealth of our lands and hills. During this year alone over \$70,000 is estimated to have been spent in building improvements. Naturally with so much activity in building, and especially as the buildings are of the most substantial character, illustrating the faith of the builders in our future, real estate, as a matter of course, is on the rise.

Not an empty house can be found. No sooner is a house vacated until some one else is ready to move in. New resident and tenant houses are now under way of construction to make room for people who are anxiously awaiting to locate here.

Two years ago a large tract of land on the bluff east of our town, owned by Clarkson & Munro, was platted and added to our town site. At the time it was divided into lots there was not a house on the tract; now many good, substantial residences are pointed to with pride as lending assurance of our advancement and prosperity. And still more are to be added.

F. W. ADAMS.

Sheriff of Garfield County. Mr. Adams is another man of which the editor desires to briefly sketch as



F. W. Adams.

a man whom it will do to "tie to." Frank Adams has been a resident of Garfield county since 1884 and is now serving his third continuous term as sheriff. He is a man of splendid, all-around ability and common sense, a shrewd politician, is honest and withal generous and whole-souled.

Mr. Adams, prior to the occupancy of his present official position, was engaged in the hardware business at New Castle.

W. P. KENNEDY.

County Assessor of Garfield County. Mr. Kennedy is a splendid example of Garfield's successful and self-made



W. P. Kennedy.

men, having come to this country when but a youth and forged his way to the front ranks of public favor and political preferment simply by dint of hard labor and perseverance. "If Billy Kennedy owes you a dollar you will get it" is the kind of a reputation

ever occupied this position in Garfield county.

Mrs. De Witt's home, when not engaged in official duties, is at Parachute.

## INDEPENDENT TELEPHONE LINES.

Farmers' independent telephone lines have been put beyond the experimental stage in the vicinity by the building and operating of the two grounded circuits of the Rifle Creek Telephone Association. An organization of twenty-two members was effected last February with C. J. S. Hoover, president; Richard Parris, vice president; B. H. Thompson, secretary; George E. Clarkson, treasurer, and E. R. Parker, general manager.

The lines extend fifteen miles up the main creek to the Box canon with one spur, five miles long, going up Middle Rifle. The work of getting out the poles, setting them and stringing the wire was done by the members, and the line is now operated at an expense of less than 50 cents per month for each subscriber.

The success of this undertaking should encourage other neighborhoods to organize and build lines into Rifle, where they would terminate in a small switch-board, which would connect all independent lines, giving members of any one line free use of the others, which would connect not only the ranchmen with each other, but also with most of the business houses of Rifle. As a great many of them are already connected with the Rifle Creek line and others are coming in.

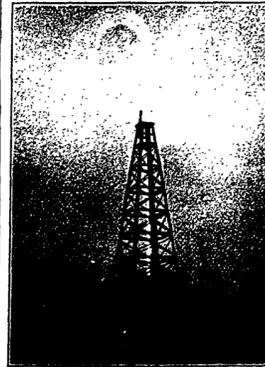
We are sure, if everyone realized how simple and easy a matter it is to construct a line, more would be built. An experienced electrician is not at all necessary. If one will write to a few of the electrical supply houses they will send them bulletins telling them how to construct a line. The telephone is certainly a great thing. It brings the people closer together, makes better neighbors and saves many a trip and expense, and we hope to see more lines coming into Rifle in the near future.

## SOUTH SIDE TELEPHONE COMPANY ORGANIZED.

Since writing the above, the people living on the south side of the river have met and organized the South Side Telephone Company, with the following officers: J. M. McKarnes, president and general manager; C. G. Kendall, secretary; Joseph T. Pearce, treasurer. Taughenbaugh mesa will soon be all strung with poles and wire. Following are the subscribers: McLearns' ranch. Crans' ranch. Wiseman's ranch. G. W. Taughenbaugh's ranch.

the Florence field has been enlarged, but the production has not been materially increased.

The Rifle Consolidated Oil and Development Company have sunk a trial well to a depth of 1,000 feet. This company last winter secured an exhaustive personal inspection and re-



A Familiar Sight of the Future.

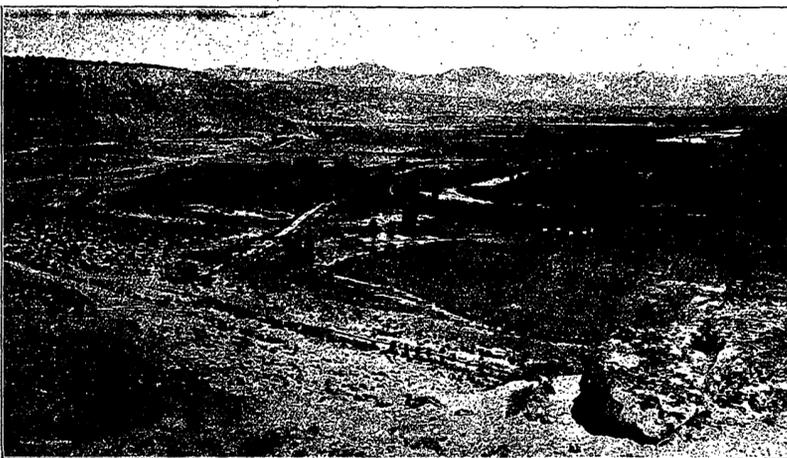
port from the eminent geologist, Prof. Arthur Lakes, on the formation of the country and the indications that it contained large underground reservoirs of oil.

DeBeque men were first to organize an oil company and begin work. At shallow depth a small flow of oil was encountered which proved of high grade as a lubricant and as in other sections the belief prevails that paying wells will be developed with greater depth. Other companies are preparing for operations in the DeBeque region, where the people are enthusiastic over present developments and confident that future work will add another valuable industry to the manifold resources of the state.

W. J. LE ROSSIGNOL, M. D.

There is no man who stands higher in the community where he resides or exerts a greater influence among his fellow men as a rule than the family physician. Especially true is this in the case of the subject of this sketch. Dr. Le Rossignol is a man who, besides being a physician of even more than ordinary success and skill, is of a public spirited turn of mind and works for the upbuilding of the public good and interests as well as his own. He has served acceptably as a member of the town board of education and also at present occupies the position of health officer.

He is a man of great vim and energy, a constant student, and is thoroughly successful in every way.



Rifle From Webster Hill, Six Miles, Showing Land Under Wilcox Canal.

that he enjoys both at home and abroad.

W. P. has a fine family, consisting of his wife and two children, and owns a comfortable residence property. He is one of the owners of the Reveille and was formerly the editor of this paper.

LUCY E. DE WITT.

Superintendent of Instruction of Garfield County.

Mrs. De Witt, the subject of this sketch, is too well known to need in-



Lucy E. DeWitt.

roduction and we will simply say that she is justly considered by our citizens, irrespective of party, to be the most efficient superintendent that has

J. M. McKarnes' ranch. F. M. Taughenbaugh's ranch. C. G. Kendall's ranch. Joseph T. Pearce's ranch. E. L. House's ranch. J. L. Cochran, city.

This system will connect with the Rifle Creek Telephone Association in town and eventually the two companies will have an exchange here. All other residents of the mesa and Mamm creek are expected to fall into line and it is believed that a strong organization will result. It is anticipated that the actual expense of building the line will be somewhere in the neighborhood of \$10 for each subscriber. The boxes will cost \$12 apiece. Only cedar posts and heavy wire will be used in the construction of the line.

This is an improvement, the need of which has long been felt by the citizens living across the river and The Reveille is mighty glad to see the work actually commenced. More power to you, boys.

## LOCAL OIL FIELD A POSSIBILITY.

That Colorado will become one of the largest oil producing states in the Union is the belief of men who are interested in oil here, of experts from abroad who have inspected the various sections of the state where oil is found, of geologists and of a host of men who have formed companies which are drilling for oil in many widely separated localities.

Thus far there is nothing in the way of justification for this belief. The Florence district, where oil was first found in paying quantity, has been a steady producer for years, and is credited with supplying all the illuminating oil used in the state. During 1901

# STORY OF THE FIRE

Which Occurred on the 3d of May, 1902.

AS TOLD BY THE REVEILLE AT THE TIME

## DEVASTATING FIRE!

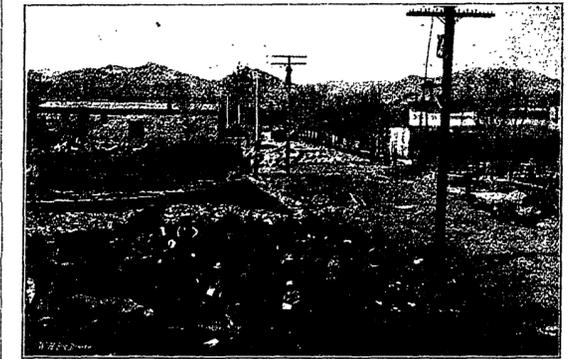
Half of Rifle Business Section is Destroyed.

About half of the business portion of Rifle is in ruins, and it was only by the most strenuous efforts of the bucket brigades that any of the town was saved. Each of the firms burned out are either rebuilding or will begin to rebuild at once. The aggregate loss is placed at \$125,000.

All the next day the rest of the town

ley to the Meeker livery stables, although giving plenty of time to save all stock and vehicles. Then came the frame sample rooms of the Rifle house. Here was the fight which saved the town from total destruction. All the frame buildings had to go, but good judgment told several that a hard fight would save the hotel building.

So some seventy-five men with a will set to work with buckets to save that building. Two hours of the hardest work put a stop to the fire here, and



Business Section of Rifle, Destroyed by Fire May 3, 1902.

was threatened, for a high wind would have scattered the embers, and the town, being without fire protection, would have been wiped out.

The fire started in J. W. Hugas & Co.'s big new store building, origin not known, although it is certain that it was not from an explosion of the gas plant in the basement.

F. W. Leyner's drug store, fixtures and stock, entirely destroyed. Glover's jewelry store and barber shop, building and fixtures.

Meeker Stables building, old meat market and sample room building, all owned by A. C. Wiseman. Rifle House, also owned by Wiseman, was damaged considerably on the north side, next to Hugas.

Clark hotel damaged. R. C. Brenton, ice house damaged. George E. Clarkson, ice house damaged.

Clausen's livery stable, building owned by Clarkson.

Neal's millinery store and household goods.

Cato Bros.' blacksmith shop. Barnes' restaurant slightly damaged.

The fire broke out at 11:20 Friday night in J. W. Hugas & Co.'s store on Railroad avenue, and for hours this city seemed doomed to destruction. Rifle has no city government or water works system, save only that which comes from irrigating ditches and water wagons. The saving of the town is due to the quickness of action on the part of a few who at the first alarm of fire ran to all of the headgates of the ditches leading into town and turned all of the water into the street trenches. Bucket brigades were formed for fire fighting. This was the way the balance of the city was saved.

Ten minutes after the alarm of fire was first given fire burst forth from every side of the Hugas building. The postoffice was in the south end of this building. Some valuable registered mail for Meeker and the north was lost. All other registered mail was secure in the postoffice safe. The fire traveled rapidly and crossed the street into the millinery store of Mrs. J. M. Neal, a frame building, which was destroyed quickly. Then the flames burst into Leyner's drug store. Glover's jewelry store and barber shop were next to fall in the fury of the flames. All of this time the flames were eating their way south of the west side of the street

from the main Hugas building into the Hugas warehouse, thence across the alley, being without fire protection, would have been wiped out.

Here about seventy men fought like demons to prevent it from crossing a vacant lot into the Barnes restaurant. After a desperate struggle the fire was held there, but efforts had to be renewed to keep it from crossing Main street to the north into the Clark annex and other buildings.

W. E. Fisher, superintendent of the Wilcox ditch, controlled a large force of fire fighters who blocked the fire's progress in this direction. The fire was under complete control at 4 o'clock of the next morning.

The fact that the night was still as death is why the fire destroyed only one block of the city. The fire starting where it did, in the southwest part of the city, if fanned by only a light breeze, would have sealed the fate of all else remaining.

Much praise is due to all who managed and labored so long to save other people's property.

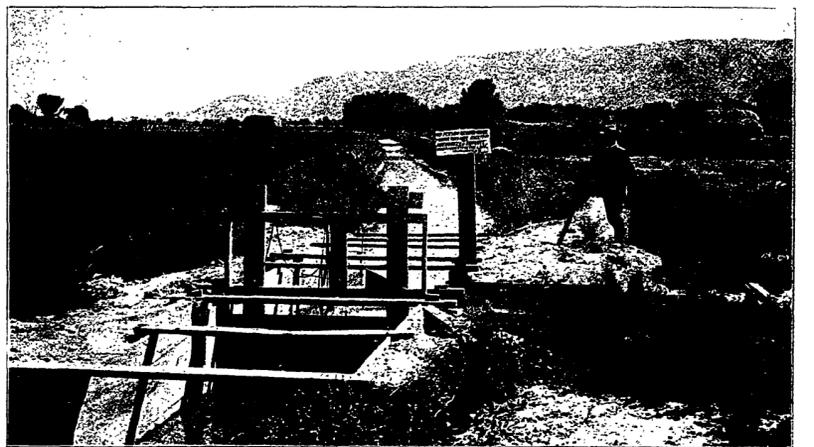
Rifle is all excitement, the town being full of outsiders seeing and others busy at work clearing away the debris.

A close patrol is kept to prevent another outbreak of fire. All the business houses will be rebuilt at once, as soon as material can be had, and in a short time Rifle will be better than before, and steps will now be taken to provide fire protection, which the city has never enjoyed.

## CATO BROS.

General Blacksmiths.

The Cato Bros., Quintus and Emmet, came here from Silverton about fourteen months ago, purchasing the blacksmithing business of R. C. Brenton. They immediately built up a good business which has steadily increased in value until they have been compelled to employ another workman to assist them in turning out the large rush of work that is constantly on. Horseshoeing is one of their specialties and a great deal of wagon work and repairing is done by this establishment. The Cato Bros. are both natural mechanics and their work is eminently satisfactory.



A Waste-Gate, Wilcox Canal.

## The Grand Valley West of Rifle

Along the north side of the Grand river from Rifle to within five miles of De Beque, about 8,000 acres is almost entirely owned by the Willcox Canal Company. This company takes its water from the Grand river, their head-gate being at Rifle. The canal waters about 500 acres this side of Webster hill. At this point the canal is run through a tunnel 2,530 feet long through solid rock and cost about \$18,000. West of the hill to Parachute (eighteen miles from Rifle), this company owns all the land, 3,000 acres, and waters it from their own canal.

At Parachute the company owns considerable land, and west along the river eight miles to Nigger hill.

The Willcox canal is a close corporation. Its president, Mr. W. R. Willcox, is a prominent lawyer and president of the Park Board of Commissioners of New York City. Among the directors are Mr. W. F. Havemeyer, Mr. W. H. Bogert of New York, Mr. A. E. Reynolds of Denver; who are the only stockholders. Mr. F. W. Popple is manager for the company at Rifle. The company has fenced considerable of the land and, we learn, are about to put most of it under cultivation and construct a number of houses, barns, etc., along the valley. The soil is good and well watered. Would make twenty-five miles of the finest kind of fruit orchards, and all in sight of the Denver & Rio Grande Railroad and the Colorado Midland Railroad, no point being over five miles from a railroad station.

The soil is especially adapted to the raising of sugar beets and the land owned by this company would raise more each year than an ordinary factory could handle. Sugar beets raised in this valley a few miles west of Rifle took the first prize at Detroit for quality and per cent. of saccharine. It is not known here what the company intends to do with their land—raise fruit, beets or alfalfa. Mr. Popple, the local manager, says he does not know. His instructions come from New York, and all he knows is to perfect the canal and make the land ready to produce any-

and for several years past he has been well known and respected as a successful stock raiser and shipper of cattle. For several years he has been in the employ of the George Adams & Frederick Commission Company as their general western representative, and has always met with splendid success.

Mr. Selby was born in Maryland, lived in Chillicothe, traveled in the East as a commercial salesman for a number of years, coming to Colorado in 1882. He has always been actively engaged in the cattle business since coming to this state, both on the eastern and western slopes.



Tunnel for Wilcox Canal, 2,530 Feet Before Completed.

for shipment. A brand book is furnished each member containing the brands of all members of the association, also rules and by-laws governing the same.

A fee of \$2 is charged each person on joining, and the executive committee make a levy once a year by which enough funds are raised to carry on the work. There are eighty members in good standing. The regular annual meeting is held in Rifle the first Sat-

### C. M. DONELL.

Contractor and Builder.

Mr. Donell is the foremost architect and builder of this vicinity, having been engaged in that business successfully since 1893. He began his work as a contractor at Antlers in that year and was at once so successful that he has continued at the business ever since. The past several years have marked an era in building activity and

business for his company and the local stockmen, as well as those of surrounding sections, have learned that they can depend upon his judgment and promises. He is of a quiet, unostentatious disposition, but is far from lacking when it comes to push and ability to do things.

### THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF RIFLE.

The First National Bank of Rifle is conducted along conservative yet liberal banking lines. The report of the condition of the First National at the close of business, November 25, 1902, is as follows:

Resources.	
Loans and discounts	\$43,190.38
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	1,303.14
United States bonds to secure circulation	6,250.00
Premiums on United States bonds	593.
Banking house, furniture and fixtures	5,200.00
Due from approved reserve agents	39,569.27
Checks and other cash items	956.45
Notes of other national banks	200.00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents	4.15
Lawful money reserve in bank, viz:	
Specie	\$1,019.79
Legal tender notes	670.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$99,469.34</b>

Liabilities.	
Capital stock paid in	\$25,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	2,146.87
National bank notes outstanding	6,250.00
Individual deposits subject to check	63,087.46



I. N. Moberly.

Time certificates of deposit	2,962.25
Liabilities other than those above stated	22.76
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$99,469.34</b>

STATE OF COLORADO, County of Garfield, } ss.

I, I. N. Moberly, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

I. N. MOBERLY, Cashier.

Correct—Attest: B. F. HALEY, C. J. SHIDELER, EDWIN McLEARN, Directors.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 3d day of December, 1902. (Seal) ROSELYN J. SMITH, Notary Public.

My commission expires May 27, 1905.

Although this institution is yet in its infancy—not yet one year old—it shows a lusty growth indicative of the thrifty and prosperous condition of our community, as well as reflecting much credit upon the successful executive management of its officials. It is building up a large line of business under their intelligent conduct. It was organized with a capital stock of \$25,000.

The excellent half-tone in connection with this article shows their handsome building, proclaiming it to be one of the handsomest and best appointed banking edifices to be found in this scope of country, certainly far better than is usually found in small cities the size of Rifle. However, the requirements of their business demand such an one and their future prosperity bids fair to even exceed the possibilities now provided for, in view of Rifle's great strides toward the commercial supremacy of the western slope.

While the cashier, Mr. Moberly, is comparatively a stranger here, yet he



Residence Built by C. M. Donell.

horses across from a boat and often times landing half a mile farther down the stream on the other side. Then it was, in November, 1885, that I. N. Grove, at present one of Rifle's most prosperous and prominent ranchmen, first settled on his present ranch, nine miles southeast of town, on the north fork of Mamm creek. After settling on his claim he batedh for five years, then hiked back to his old home and made Theodosia E. Huson his wife. Upon returning to this place, together they endured the vicissitudes and enjoyed the freedom of our then new country as is usual in the case of the pioneer.

The settlers on the south side of the river at that time doubted the advisability of staying on that side, owing to their inability to get across. But in 1888 a ferry boat was instituted at the Crann ranch, where Cross now lives, and all was well from that time on, although the boat got away a couple of times and floated down stream.

Up until about 1886 deer were numerous, like unto great herds of sheep. Farming was done in the open, there being no fences. Prior to the summer of 1886 the principal trading point for this vast territory was Satank, on Roek creek, although some went as far as Grand Junction to purchase supplies. Everything was transported on pack jacks.

Mr. Grove was an invalid when he came here, but to see him to-day one

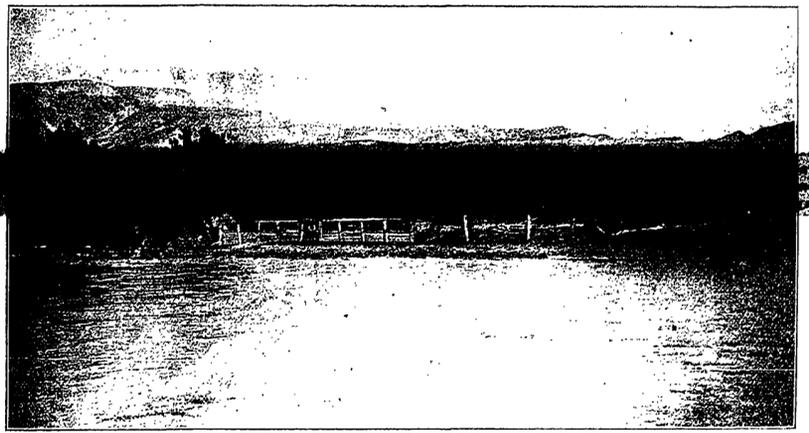
the laws governing the use of aquapura for irrigation purposes. No water laws had ever been enforced, which fact still causes considerable trouble. Hardly anyone farmed extensively, however, most of them cultivating only small patches of ground and there was plenty of water for everybody.

Ferguson and Al Ziesenis were the only ranchmen who had houses with board floors. Although a bachelor then, Al gave a grand country dance that was a great success upon the completion of his house, and they stamped the saw marks off the crude lumber.

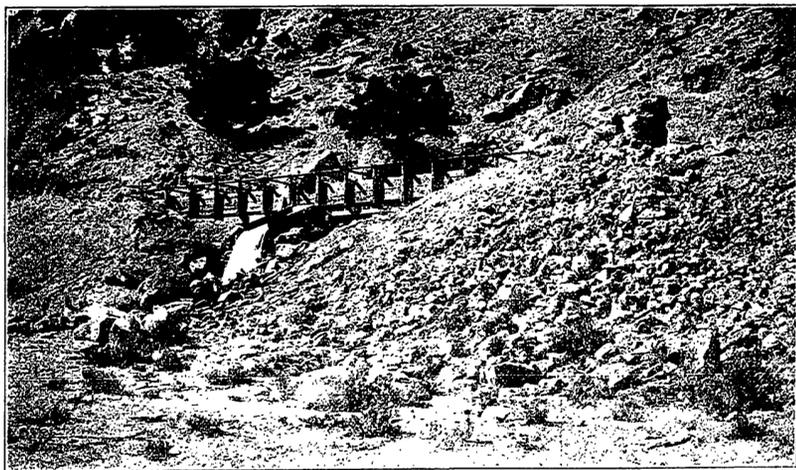
At that time cattle wintered out all winter, there being excellent feed afforded by the abundant long grass in the willow sloughs along the streams and good grass on the flats. Cy Todd made hay at the head of Mamm creek, baled and hauled it to the Grand river. There has been a great change, however, the hills now being comparatively bare from over-grazing the range.

Cougar, bob-cats and all kinds of big game were to be found without effort on the part of the hunter.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Clausen, Paddy Eagen, George Starkey and Robert Eyre were among the earliest settlers. The Clausens were then, as now, noted for being princely entertainers and gave some famous log cabin country



Head-Gate, Wilcox Canal.



Flume and Rock Cut Wilcox Canal.

thing, and it will. No matter to what uses this land is put, it certainly will add much to the resources and business interests of Rifle.

### THE GRAND RIVER STOCK GROWERS' ASSOCIATION.

The Grand River Stock Growers' Association was organized March 3, 1900, for the purpose of promoting and protecting the live stock business of the territory tributary to Grand river, from Glenwood Springs west in Garfield and Mesa counties.

Mr. F. D. Squire was president and Mr. Fred Munro secretary the first year. E. R. Parker, J. B. Elrod, H. McKay, Thomas Glover and Joseph Yule composed the executive committee. The most important question to the stock growers at that time was the leasing question. The Grand River Stock Growers' Association took a firm stand against, and has vigorously opposed at all times, the leasing of the public range. There has been posted ever since the association was organized a standing reward of \$250 for the arrest and conviction of anyone killing or stealing any stock belonging to the members of the association. Up to the present time there

urday in April each year and special meetings are called by the executive committee or president as often as required. There are owned and controlled by members about 14,000 head of cattle and 2,000 head of horses.

### CORBETT'S EXCHANGE.

This popular resort is one of the most handsomely equipped saloons in Colorado west of Denver. Dave Corbett, the proprietor, is a business man of the highest standing in local circles. He is ably assisted by "Tobey" House and Fred McArthur, two of Rifle's well known and most respected boys. The interior, as can be readily seen, by the splendid picture which adorns this impression, is magnificent, and all the appointments are first-class.

### JOSIAH T. SELBY.

Live Stock Commission Agent.

The subject of this sketch is one of Rifle's foremost stock raisers. Together with his brother-in-law, W. B. Coston of Chillicothe, Missouri, he has a fine stock farm nine miles south of town, on which he resides and makes a specialty of raising a good grade of Hereford and Shorthorn range cattle.

most of the best buildings in Rifle were erected under his supervision and there is never a time that he has not several under course of construction. Rifle is proud of its numerous beautiful residences and business houses which are rightly regarded as the best possessed by any town of its size, and C. M. has recently built for himself the largest, and perhaps most elaborate residence in the town, a fine view of which is herewith presented. It is large and commodious and nicely furnished in a home-like manner. He has a wife and one child.

Mr. Donell last spring purchased the lumber yard of J. W. Huges & Co. and has built a convenient office and yard opposite Mrs. Maxfield, where he has a complete stock of lumber, lath, shingles, doors, windows, paints, oils, glass, varnish, brick, lime, hair and cement. He keeps building material of every kind constantly on hand and has a carpenter and paint shop in connection. Out-of-town orders are promptly attended to. Mr. Donell loans money for building purposes and has built several houses for rent, sale or trade.

### THAD. S. HARP.

Representative Verner-Scroggins Live Stock Commission Company.

Thad S. Harp is truly "one of us." He has been here so long that none but the "land-marks" can recall the day when he came among us. Harp helped pack the mud with which the surrounding hills were built and is entitled to be regarded as one of the oldest residents.

Mr. Harp and his excellent family are permanent residents here. Thad's extended acquaintance among the gentlemen of western Colorado and his thorough conversancy with the needs and interests of the local stockmen made it apparent to the Verner-Scroggins Company that no better fitted man could be selected to represent them at this point and accordingly he was last spring tendered his present position, which he has very acceptably filled.

Thad was formerly the local man-

comes with straightforward, competent business qualities and such excellent commercial standing that he has the full confidence and respect of our citizens. He is very careful and conscientious in the transaction of all business connected with the institution.

Mr. Moberly is ably seconded in the shouldering of the cares and responsibilities of this concern by his assistant cashier, Mr. W. H. Haley, who is a young man of excellent repute and business standing, being quite up to plans and specifications in every respect.

### ONE OF OUR PIONEERS.

While this country was yet over running with deer there were no wagon roads or fences and the country was so wild and raw that the settlers often wondered if ever a time would come when there would be some means by which the Grand river might be crossed without towing their

would scarcely imagine he had ever seen an unwell day, let alone endured the hardships of frontier life. He regained his health by "roughing it"—living out like a Ute, eating venison and inhaling the delicious, pure air afforded by this excellent climate, and which speaks volumes for a ranchman's life in this section. Mr. Grove, or "Doc" Grove, as he is more familiarly known, has certainly enjoyed his share of prosperity, having lived well and enjoyed good health.

He relates to the writer that the country was pretty crude until 1890, when the railroad came through. Then came the influx of population from Missouri and Kansas, after which the country became more thickly settled and the old-timers realized for the first time that they did not know everyone in the entire country for miles around, as formerly. The deer also began to fast disappear, being slaughtered in great numbers, apparently, just for the sport afforded.

Water rights were then unknown, very few people being conversant with

dances, ever to be cherished in the pleasant memories of those who attended. The dances given by Mr. and Mrs. Clausen were always the best and biggest, all comers being welcome and everything free—plenty of dancing, lots to eat, the entertainment gorgeous withal and lasting indefinitely. Guests came from long distances, some from as far as Garfield creek on the north side of the river. Often the house would not hold all of them and bonfires were built in the yard.

The Ute Indians were a source of great dread to the settlers and it was not safe to come down the valley alone until 1882. A man was killed by them on Eagle river in 1882.

In the spring of 1880 Mr. Grove crossed the river at Three Cabins with Jim Landis, "Doc" Bell, John Blake, Dick James and others exploring the carbonate country northeast of Glenwood, at which time it was unsafe to come further down the river.

### CHARLES J. DICKINSON.

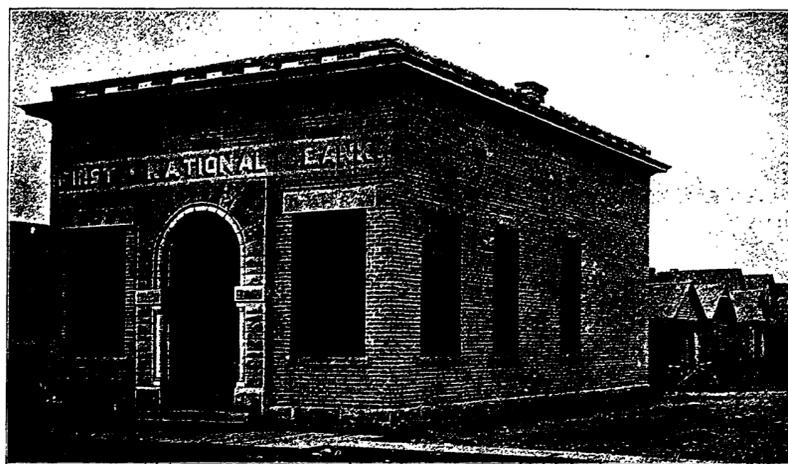
Charles J. Dickinson is a well-known and respected stock raiser.

While being one of the most influential and representative business men of this section, he is modest and unassuming and does not aspire to publicity. Mr. Dickinson is a type of the successful man who prefers to quietly go about his business and secure results without any affectation or flaring of trumpets. He has a fine family consisting of his wife and two children, and their home is an ideal one. The accompanying cut is an excellent reproduction of his residence, which is one of the handsomest and coziest in Rifle.

Mr. Dickinson has been a resident of this section since 1880 and has resided in Rifle the past two years.



Residence of C. L. Todd.



The First National Bank of Rifle.



# Rifle Falls and Box Canon

By CLARENCE A. LYMAN.

When Rifle is the large and lively town which it has been destined to become because of its advantages in location and in raw materials, its people will have their own "Manitou," a health and pleasure resort unmatched among the mountain valleys of the state.

Along a stretch of about two miles of Rifle creek, nature has assembled a collection of marvels and delights hardly to be equaled in any similar area of the earth's surface. The region is

From this level plain, the stream suddenly descends 140 feet, in a series of cascades, over a limestone concretion. The stream becomes nearly 400 feet wide and divides into myriads of falls coursing through green moss, splashing into tiny pools, combining to make roaring waterfalls, and separating to wind sinuous channels around the trunks of the trees. The whole waterfall is in a grove of box elders, almost hidden in the deep green shade,

formations, deposited by the dripping water in past ages of time, some of them still forming from the steady drip of the water which percolates the formation. These falls not only make a magnificent piece of scenery, but they have great practical value as well. It is an ideal location for a power plant, and when Rifle gets to

falls, fruit, money and business are our long suit.

B. F. Miller, the junior member of the present firm of Cochran & Miller, has for the past two years been making a study of the resources of this prolific country, and lately, as editor of The Reveille, has done much to promote and advocate its interests. Seeing the advantages here and the need of a live, enterprising real estate agency, he last summer formed a partnership with J. L. Cochran, a reliable and experienced real estate man from Iowa, and together they are building up a nice, permanent business and laboring earnestly for the advancement and development of Rifle and surrounding sections. They have already been the means of bringing a great many good residents into the town and surrounding country. They invite correspondence in regard to city property and town lots, ranch lands, etc.



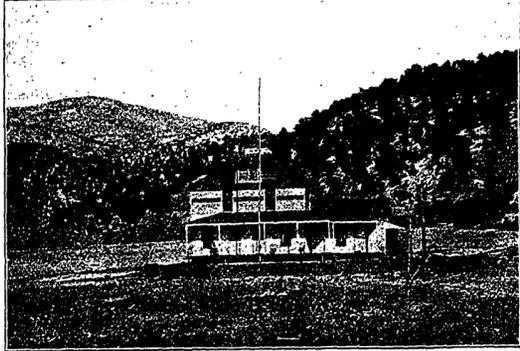
FRANK HICKMAN, A Member of The Reveille Force.

be a bustling town of several thousand people, the streets will likely be lighted by the power from these falls, while from the same energy the wheels in shops and factories will be turned.

On rising ground, east of the labyrinth of streams which fills the meadow above the big falls, is the home of Allen L. Zerbe, an enterprising citizen, who has done much to bring this end of the valley into prominence. His land holdings include the greater waterfall, the largest and most beautiful of the grottoes and much of the labyrinthian bottom land, and he controls by lease practically the whole of the valley, extending up into the canon as far as cultivable land goes, with the beautiful upper falls and the groves. On his property, just above the large falls, he has built a commodious dwelling, where in summer time the people who come to enjoy the beautiful scenery, the splendid fishing and the wine-like air, who want to study geology in the upturned rocks or botanize in the rich profusion of flowers, or who want to



B. F. Miller, which he turned his attention, and attaining a high standing in business circles. As a real estate man he has been particularly a success, being for a number of years engaged in that line of work and also serving for twelve years in official capacities. He has a happy faculty for accumulating and retaining knowledge concerning matters pertaining to his business. No man stood higher in the community from which he came than Mr. Cochran and his bank references and standing are



Al. Zerbe's New Cottage at Rifle Falls.

known variously as "Rifle Falls" and as "Box Canon," from two of the most conspicuous scenic attractions, and is situated about fourteen miles from Rifle, on the road which is the shortest and best route to the White river hunting and fishing grounds. Rifle creek is a large stream, crystal clear, its volume in large part coming from immense springs at the bases of the cliffs in Box canon.

This canon is admittedly one of the most beautiful in the state. Its walls are practically vertical, in some places overhanging, and in all places so steep that in the whole extent of three miles there are but three or four points at which the most expert mountaineer can climb the walls. Spruce forests fringe the edges of the chasm above. The walls are hung with vines, flowering clematis growing in cracks and crannies and hanging down in graceful festoons. The whole bottom of the canon is heavily wooded with box elders and smaller growths of cherry and oak, draped in many places with the graceful willow.

For a way along a narrow trail, and crossing and recrossing the stream and finally emerging at the upper end by a crevice so narrow that the stream and the road fairly jostle each other going through. All through the canon the clear stream foams down in cascades and waterfalls, making long pools under tangles of shrubbery where trout love to hide, and wide reaches, green winter and summer with water cress. There is not a turn in the canon which does not make a picture of new beauties.

hospungled with columbines and other flowers. From out this tangle the stream reunites, makes a few leaps from pool to pool and then enters the lower meadow, a great thicket of tule grass or "cane" where it makes a multitude of channels, deep pools and silently rushing streams.

This is an ideal place for trout, and the young fish, liberally planted from



Rifle Falls in Winter.

To the south, or lower end, the canon ends abruptly. By a great "fault" in the formation, the southern face of the limestone through which the stream has cut the canon, has been sheared off, leaving a rocky wall six hundred feet high, running across the head of the valley, with the giant portal of the canon in the center. The wall turns into the canon almost at right angles, making one of the most remarkable bits of scenery in the state.

In front of the canon mouth the valley widens into a fertile plain, fringed and dotted with clumps of box elder and other shade trees, in the shadow of whose groves countless varieties of wild flowers grow. The stream ripples through the center in a series of long, white sanded pools, in every one of

year to year, with the older stock of natives in the stream from the first, have grown to large size. There are "rainbows" from California, eastern brook trout, German "steel heads" and natives, with crosses between all varieties, ranging from "fingerlings" to gamy monsters of two and three pounds weight. The conditions are such that it is a paradise for the fly fisherman, and so many of the holes are reserved by nature from intrusion that they form an inexhaustible re-

rest in the cool shade of the trees, may find accommodations, and live upon the varied produce of a well-kept farm, supplemented by what the town furnishes. The place is connected with Rifle by telephone and the road between is a good one. Mr. Zerbe also conducts a lime business at the mouth of the canon and has provided the lime by which most of the new town of Rifle has been built. His place is the natural half-way point for parties bound for the mesa on hunting expeditions, and affords an ideal vacation ground and resting place.

### COCHRAN & MILLER.

Real Estate Agency.

At the present time there is no better investment in Colorado than Rifle real estate, as it must continue to increase in value on account of the resources being developed, improvements being made and its rapid, steady growth. Handsome incomes are derived from rentals, new buildings being rented before their completion. The value of real estate will soon be greatly enhanced by the incorporation of the town, which will undoubtedly occur within the next few months.



J. L. Cochran.

Rifle has never experienced an unhealthy boom. Our present prosperous condition is only a natural, sane outgrowth, the result of our superb location. Our vast area of outlying territory from which to draw trade, wealthy resources that are constantly being developed and are yet to be exploited, and the adaptability of the Grand valley for fruit growing purposes, not to speak of our supremacy as a cattle shipping point. Cows, al-



OUT IN THE HILLS. Showing String of Fish Caught by James Austin and Roy Marker.

which the trout may be seen floating and darting and leaping at flies. On every side are well tilled fields of various field crops, for the soil is of wonderful fertility. The wooded hills show red and white through the trees, in delicately shading tints, and beyond and through the canon rises a great green promontory of the White river plateau. To the south the valley opens upon a view of the bristling Hog-back range, ten miles away.

serve from which other portions of the stream are replenished as fast as their fish may be caught out.

Below the tangled meadow, the stream once more unites, barely in time to make its final leap, ninety feet, over a forest fringed cliff. The cliff, itself built up by accretions from the water, has beneath the falls a series of grottoes, some of considerable extent, and all marvelously beautiful, in lace-like, stalactite and stalagmite

little over a year ago he assumed the management of this paper and expects to remain in business in Rifle.

### CITY MEAT MARKET.

Otto Hahnwald, Proprietor.

Mr. Hahnwald conducts one of the best patronized, neatest and cleanest, most popular meat markets with which Rifle has ever been favored. Although he but recently embarked in this enterprise he is well qualified to supply the needs in his line and his patrons are disposed to bestow great



Otto Hahnwald's Meat Market.

praise upon him for the able manner in which he caters to their demands. Everything about his shop is fresh, clean and attractive. He constantly keeps on hand the choicest of porterhouse, sirloin and short cuts, round steak, shoulder steak, prime rib roast, mutton stew, veal stew, pork chops or steaks, boiling beef, veal cutlets, honey-cured corn beef, pot roasts, Armour's and Swift's hams and bacon.

### THE RIFLE POSTOFFICE.

The efficient manner in which Postmistress Lou Burch re-equipped the Rifle postoffice and continued to transact the business of Uncle Samuel when the office, mail and building was destroyed by fire last spring has convinced the patrons that we have one of the best conducted postoffices to be found anywhere. The service is always reliable and prompt. Lately Miss Burch has added an entirely new and most up-to-date equipment of boxes and furniture, which greatly enhance the beauty of the exterior of the magnificent new addition to the Hugus building, espe-



Lou Burch.



cially erected by that large concern for the purpose of giving the town a creditable "federal building."

Miss Burch has been engaged in postoffice work the past seven years, receiving her appointment as postmistress July 24, 1901.

### RIFLE BAKERY.

Louis Hoffmeister, Proprietor.

Strangers upon coming to Rifle often express their surprise at finding such an excellent bakery in a town of the size of ours. About a year ago Mr.

Hoffmeister chanced to come here from Glenwood, where he was then employed, and quickly decided that here was the opportunity to build up for himself a good business in a thrifty town with prospects for future greatness. He hastened to move his family here and at once embarked in business with gratifying results.

Mr. Hoffmeister is a first-class baker and his trade has steadily increased until he has seen fit to add considerably to his stock, which now consists of bread, pies, cakes, confectionery, teas, coffees, fancy groceries, cigars and tobaccos.

pointments. The second story is occupied by Mr. Glover and wife as a residence, and they are very comfortably housed.

### L. M. QUINN.

Painter and Decorator.

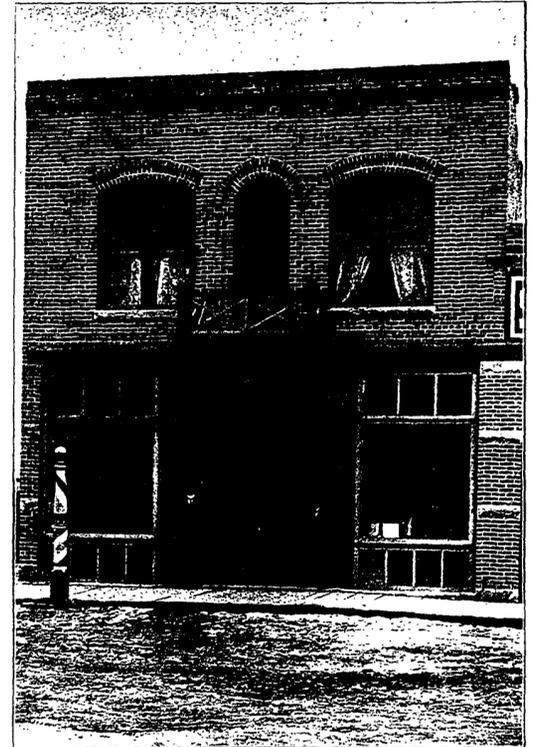
During the renaissance period of Rifle's building history since the recent fire, there has been a wonderfully great demand for workmen — skilled workmen who are capable of doing work that is a credit to cities of the first class. Prominent and foremost among these has been Mr. L. M. Quinn, the subject of this sketch, who has purchased property here and become a permanent citizen. Mr. Quinn is a thorough and artistic workman, making a specialty of graining, kalsomining, painting, varnishing and decorating.



THOMAS E. BLANCHARD.

Photographer.

Fronting on Main street, opposite



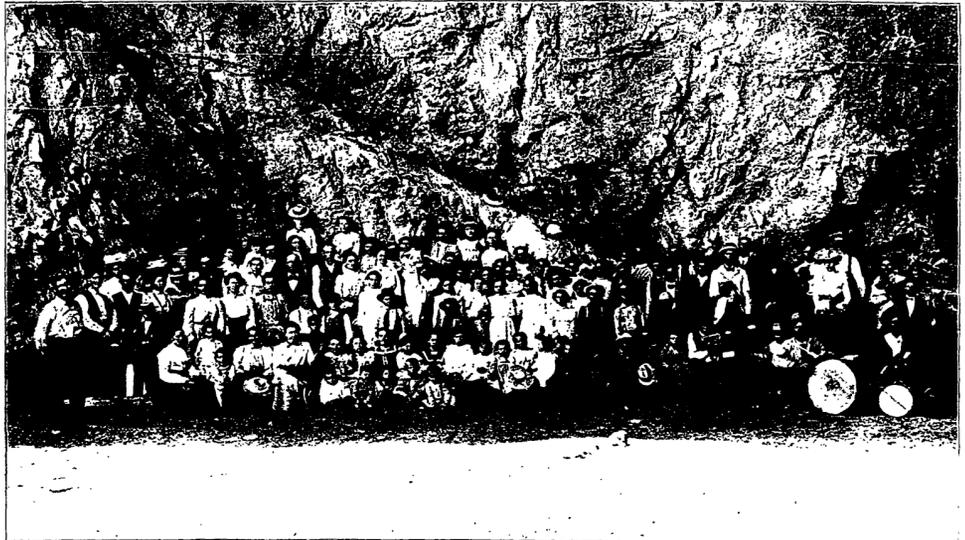
A. Glover's Jewelry Establishment.

### A. GLOVER, JEWELER.

That Rifle has a beautiful jewelry store can be readily seen at a glance by the accompanying view of Mr. Glover's establishment, which is recognized and known all over this big scope of territory as carrying the best chosen and most exclusive stock of jewelry. The fixtures are elegant and every appointment is strictly first class. Mr. Glover is an A No. 1 workman and for a number of years has given the people of the vicinity entire satisfaction as a repairer of watches, clocks, jewelry, etc.

A. Glover came to Rifle from Glenwood the fall the railroad was completed into town, and in 1892 embarked in the jewelry business. In 1898 he erected a handsome one-story stone business block, which was destroyed by fire in May of this year. Although greatly handicapped by his loss, he went ahead undaunted and immediately completed the erection of his present handsome brick quarters. The new building is of brick and is first class even to the smallest ap-

the Rifle hotel, is located the art studio of Thomas E. Blanchard, which is the oldest established gallery in town. Mr. Blanchard has had years of practical experience and is well equipped to do satisfactory work in all the up-to-date styles. He is gifted with considerable inventive genius, having invented, T. E. Blanchard, and lately patented, an improved washing machine, which is now being manufactured. The sales on the latter are increasing rapidly and the prospects for his building up a large manufacturing concern right here at home are very bright. Mr. Blanchard is a veteran of the Civil War. He is assisted in his photographic work by his son, Lyman, who is rapidly developing into a talented artist.



Annual Picnic of M. E. Sunday School in "Old Maid's Kitchen," Just Above Rifle Falls, 1902.

# Secret Societies

## I. O. F.

This grand secret order, of which there are 1,265,000 members in the United States, has a good lodge with a working membership of over sixty members here. The elegant hall, a picture of which adorns this issue, was built and is owned by them. The first floor is used for shows and entertainments, dancing, etc., and the upstairs is utilized as a lodge room, all the other organizations of the city meeting in the same room.

The local I. O. F. membership is comprised of the best citizens of the town and community. It was organized December, 1894, with a membership of about thirty-five, T. A. Rendle being the first noble grand. For about a year and five months they held their meetings in the Adobe building until their present quarters were erected. In the spring of 1896 the new hall was first occupied.

They meet regularly on Thursday evenings now. Following are the present officers: E. Prefountain, no-

ing secretary; Sadie Gilson, financial secretary, and Blanche Eakins, treasurer.

The election of officers for 1903 was held Wednesday, December 3, 1902, and the officers are to be: Mary Wurts, noble grand; Blanche Eakins, vice grand; Sadie Dickinson, recording secretary; Hattie Parker, financial secretary, and Augusta Soule, treasurer.

## WOODMEN OF THE WORLD.

Rifle camp No. 30, Pacific Jurisdiction Woodmen of the World, was organized in March, 1896, with twenty-five members. E. McLearn was consul and J. C. Emerson clerk. After suffering various vicissitudes for two or three years the camp began to grow and now has a membership of over 100 members. W. C. Lacey is the consul; A. Glover, banker, and R. J. Smith, clerk.

The Woodmen of the World is one of the most flourishing and solid fraternal insurance organizations operating in the West. In the nine western

will be served by "Ye Colonial dames and maidens."

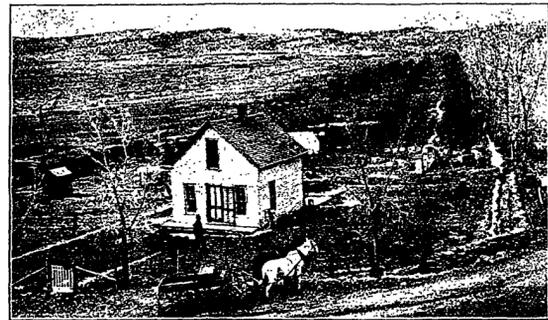
## MODERN WOODMEN OF AMERICA.

The local organization was effected December 27, 1900, being organized with a charter membership of thirty-

with sixteen charter members. They are a band of noble women who have pledged themselves to help care for the soldiers, their widows and orphans. They have done much good work here and always stand ready with willing hands and hearts to help those who are in distress. Memorial

workmen. The entire building is built of native stone, the best to be procured, and which was quarried just across the river south of town. The building stone quarried in this vicinity is pronounced to be of most enduring quality and handsomest appearance that may be procured anywhere.

This huge commercial edifice is 125x75 feet in dimensions and two stories in height, besides a handsome one-story warehouse 100x50, which was occupied during the construction of the large building. The first story is occupied by the dry goods, grocery and hardware departments, as well as the office, and the second story is filled with the finest display and stock of furniture that was ever offered to the inspection of the people of Garfield County. There are some exceptionally artistic pieces to be found in this department. The company also has large lumber yard and implement stock located near the depot, where there is usually a veritable bee-hive



O. V. Coulter's Ranch, Several Miles North of Town.

three benefit and eight social members. The first officers elected were: Venerable consul, C. M. Jennings; adviser and physician, N. Dymenberg; banker, Charles H. Miller; clerk, G. L. Hutton; escort, B. F. Miller; watchman, S. M. Wolf; sentry, E. H. Moore; managers, John Hickman, Roy Utt and Frank Elder.

The present officers are: Venerable consul, George L. Hutton; worthy adviser, Ora Morgan; banker, N. Dymenberg; clerk, T. M. Hickman; escort, Earnest Heaton; sentry, Wash. Held; watchman, Harry Brandt; managers, C. H. Miller, Roy Utt, B. H. Thompson.

The lodge has always been progressive and in a flourishing condition. Insurance to the amount of \$11,000 is at present carried by members. There

Day is a legal holiday in Colorado and it is observed by all classes. On that day all places of business are closed all or part of the day in order to give everyone a chance to take part or show their appreciation of the fitting manner in which it is observed. The post, with the W. R. C., make a very creditable showing, at which time there is a Grand Army parade through the streets and to the cemetery, where sleep our noble heroes, whose graves are lovingly covered with beautiful blossoms.

## MYRON W. REED POST NO. 108, G. A. R.

This post was organized June 17, 1899, by Comrade Kennedy of Lead-

of activity. Ed McLearn, the president and manager of this concern, is a man of splendid business instinct and his business record is little short



Freighters Starting for Meeker.

Learn, are all Nova Scotians. They have lived in this vicinity long enough to be classed among our oldest settlers and have been successful in mak-

The accompanying cut shows some specimens of his skill. Game heads, whole animals, birds, etc., are mounted so natural one can scarce imagine that they are not alive.

R. J. Smith was born at Emporia, Kansas, and graduated from the State Normal School of that city. He came west, punched cows, ranched and grew up with the country. He is at present serving his second term as justice of the peace, and is in the latter capacity a howling success—inasmuch as he deals out justice—and it is a foregone conclusion that so long as he dispenses justice he will come mighty near dispensing law as well.

His partner, Dr. W. W. Tiebenor, is a prominent and well-known citizen, as well as a pioneer of this section, owning one of the finest fruit ranches in the Grand Valley, which is located but a short distance from town. The doctor is not at present actively engaged in the taxidermic work.

This firm does tanning, and a tin shop is run in connection.

## MILLINERY, MRS. J. M. NEAL.

There is no prettier store in town than that conducted by Mrs. Neal, who has a large and elegant stock of pattern hats and all those lovely creations of the milliner's art that are so dear to the feminine heart. This es-

## R. J. SMITH & CO., TAXIDERMISTS.

R. J. Smith is rightly regarded as



Residence of Percy Wason, Living Two Miles North of Town.

one of the most proficient taxidermists in the state. His work is among the best turned out by any of the followers of that profession. He has a nat-

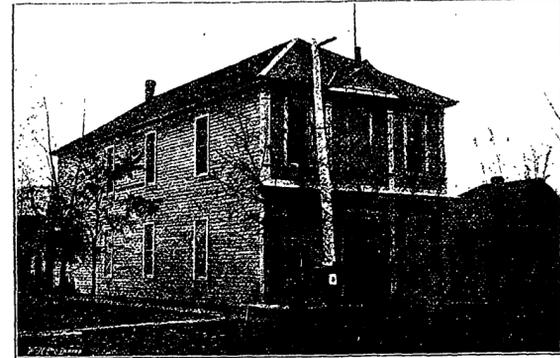
establishment presents a perfect vista of loveliness at all seasons of the year. Mrs. Neal is an experienced and expert trimmer. She also conducts an



R. J. Smith & Co.'s Taxidermy.

ural aptitude and his work speaks for itself.

art school, being an especially talented and successful artist.



I. O. O. F. Hall.

ble grand; Ed Eakins, secretary; Albert Godfredson, vice grand; C. L. Todd, treasurer.

## ELIZABETH REBEKAH LODGE NO. 46.

Elizabeth Rebekah Lodge No. 46 was instituted July 2, 1896, at Rifle, Colorado, by Marguerite Timberlake of Holyoke, Colorado, president of the Rebekah assembly.

The following are the first that were elected and installed for elective offices: Noble grand, Cora Carpenter; vice grand, Ella Gorham; recording secretary, Mary Elliott; financial sec-

retary, Georgiana Emerson; treasurer, Nettie Webster.

## MARIPOSA CIRCLE NO. 82.

Mariposa Circle No. 82 was organized a little more than five years ago by Dr. Sampson, special organizer, with thirty charter members. P. G., Lucie Fravert; G. N., Nettie Marker; advisor, Ella Gorham; magician, Clara Glover; clerk, Alice Wiseman; banker, Emma Kennedy; captain of guards, W. P. Kennedy; attendant, Hattie Parker; I. S., Clara Vance; A. S., Edwin Tribble; managers, J. C. Emerson, Charles Fravert, Minnie Clark.

Since organizing the membership has grown to more than fifty. There has been some loss, two by death and others have sought new homes. At present there are forty members in good standing. This order is not only a social order, but an insurance order as well, whereby every member can take out an insurance policy and in that way make provision for their loved ones. The social part of this order is certainly very pleasant. An entertainment committee is appointed for every meeting, and they always gladly respond. The circle is doing finely. Growing slowly all the time. On November 15th the circle elected the following officers:

P. G., Lucie Fravert; G. N., Grace Shideler; advisor, Sarah Gilson; magician, Kathryn Robinson; clerk, E. Annette Marker; captain of guards, Clara Glover; banker, L. G. Moore; musician, G. P. Emerson; I. S., T. D. H. Babcock; A. S., R. J. Smith; manager, Ray Dymenberg.

At the close of election a delicious lunch was served and was much enjoyed.

The circle is just completing arrangements for "Ye Old Folks' Concert," to close with a fancy drill by the following named guards: Mrs. Le Rossignol, Mrs. Clark, Mrs. Mullin, Mrs. Donnell, Mrs. Gorham, Mrs. Moberly, Mrs. Gilson and Mrs. Clarkson. They hope to place this before the public January 16, 1903. After a fancy drill by the guards, light refreshment

have been two deaths, that of Percy Dutton and Alma Taylor. The former was a social member, the latter a benefit, carrying \$1,000, which was promptly paid. There is talk of organizing an auxiliary—the Royal Neighbors.

The lodge meets every fourth Friday night at I. O. O. F. hall.

## MYRON W. REED RELIEF CORPS NO. 7.

The Woman's Relief Corps was organized the 6th of September, 1899,

ville, Colorado, with twenty-three charter members. The membership was soon raised to thirty. Loss by death, three—Comrades Giles, Hamilton and Billater. William Wurts is the youngest member of the post, being only fifty-one when the post was organized. Captain J. M. Watson is the oldest member, being seventy-one years old when the post was organized.

You will readily see the old soldiers are fast growing old and the roll call grows less and less. We think it the duty of every citizen in the United States to do honor to these brave men, and parents, in particular, should teach their children to respect and honor them for what they did. Now they are growing old and their days of usefulness are almost over—only a few short years and the last one of them shall have answered to the final roll call and the country for which they fought and bled will know them no more. They will have gone to join the ranks on the other side and when their brave commander calls, will answer "Here!"

## THE E. McLEARN MERCANTILE COMPANY.

Largest Mercantile Concern in Garfield County.

By the accompanying cut it can be readily seen that Rifle has one of the largest, most up-to-date and enterprising general mercantile firms to be found anywhere outside the large cities. The demands of their large and rapidly increasing trade recently made it necessary to discard their old store building, warehouse, yards, etc., which were but several years ago considered sufficient, and their present elegant quarters were rapidly erected at a cost of \$30,000 by expert

of marvellous. He is a splendid representative of the modern type of American push and enterprise as exemplified in the successful business man of today.

Mr. McLearn came to Rifle eleven years ago. He was born in Nova Scotia and attended school and business college before coming to Colorado seventeen years ago.

The other members of the firm, E. McPhee, secretary and treasurer, and Daniel Densmore and Samuel Me-



A Snap Shot of One of Our Prominent Citizens.

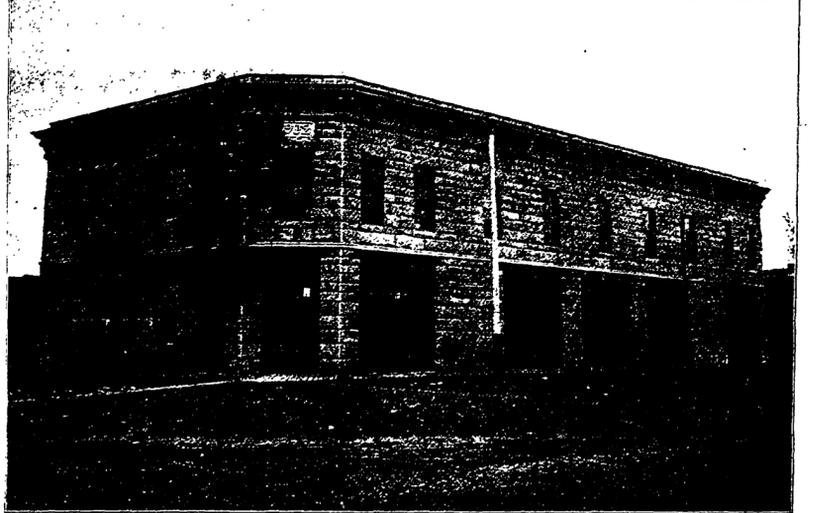
retary, Georgiana Emerson; treasurer, Nettie Webster.

The Elizabeth Rebekah Lodge No. 46 was instituted with ten charter members, and grown to a three-fold increase since the institution of Rebekah lodge No. 46; ten sisters have gone out past grands. They are: Cora Carpenter, Ella Gorham, Mary Elliott, Minna Todd, Clara Glover, Lou Burch, Georgiana Emerson, Mary Wurts, Kate Moyle and Serena McPhee.

Officers at the present time are: Edna Dixon, noble grand; Maggie Scott, vice grand; Grace Cook, record-



G. A. R. and Relief Corps.



The E. McLearn Mercantile Company's New Block, Before Completion.

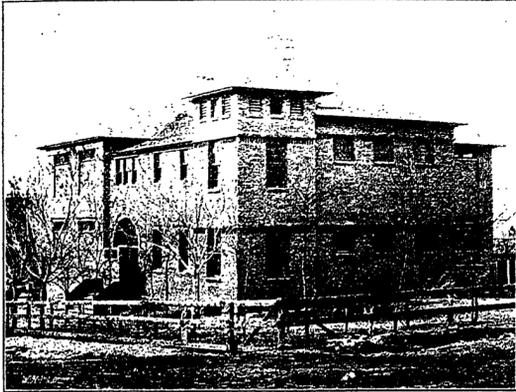
# Churches and Schools

## RIFLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Rifle school district No. 30 was organized on March 5, 1890, with C. L. Todd, S. E. Babcock and J. H. Hickman as board of directors. Nine

Clark, while Miss Carter was succeeded by Miss Romola Arnold.

The next year both Professor Clark and Miss Arnold accepted positions in Glenwood and L. E. Kennedy and Miss Vernice Smock undertook the



Rifle School Building.

months of school were taught during the first year succeeding its organization, of which seven months were taught by Minnie Fisher and two months by G. Priddy. Succeeding

control of scholastic affairs. Miss Smock remained in the school four years, the longest term of service achieved by anyone who has yet taught in the district.

Mr. Kennedy was succeeded by J. A. Smith, now principal at Parachute, and he was in turn succeeded in the fall of 1900 by O. B. Fleming, who still holds the position.

A third teacher, Mrs. Anna G. Pearson, was added in 1900, and an additional teacher each year has been the rule since then. The fourth teacher added in 1901, was Mrs. Alice Clark, who was compelled to resign in December on account of her husband's illness, and her place was taken by Miss Ella Hayward.

The present corps of teachers is as follows:

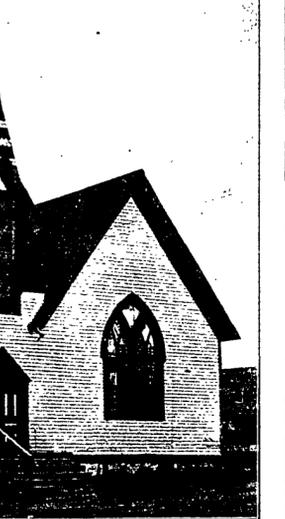
O. B. Fleming, principal; Mrs. Carrie M. Fleming, Mrs. Flora Hendrie, Miss Minnie Price and Mrs. Anna G. Pearson.

The present board of education, consisting of Dr. N. Dymenberg, president; E. McPhee, secretary, and R. C. Brenton, treasurer, are all men who take a deep interest in educational affairs, and to their untiring energy in their respective positions much of the present success of the schools is due. Two rooms were added to the building in 1900 and two more in 1902;



O. B. Fleming.

teachers up to 1895 were Fannie Noble, H. Sutherland and J. H. Troendly. At the beginning of the school year of 1895-96, another teacher was added, the teaching force for that year being



Methodist Episcopal Church.

J. H. Troendly, principal, and Mrs. Kate Needham, primary. The next year J. H. Troendly and Carrie Carter were the teachers, making three successive years for Mr. Troendly, who was succeeded the next year by C. E.

and anyone who is familiar with the matter of erecting public buildings knows how much work and worry this would entail upon the board. However, they have enjoyed one advantage—the people of Rifle are the soul of



Residences Built by C. M. Donell.

liberality in all matters pertaining to their school interests, and are always ready to vote as high a rate of taxation as may be necessary to maintain the schools in the best possible condition, believing that money invested in an education for their children is money well invested, and they ask only an honest return for it.

The total enrollment during the present year to date is 240, and from five to ten new pupils are enrolled each week. The largest attendance on any one day was 212—an average of more than forty-two to each room, indicating that the sixth room and another teacher will be needed next year.

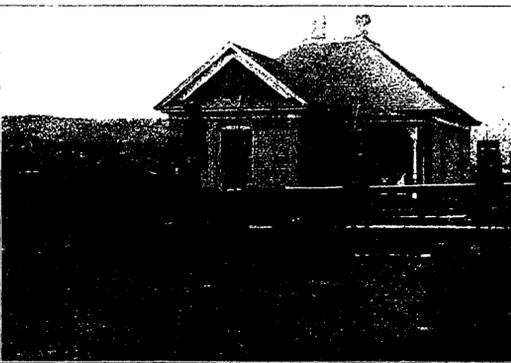
The estimation in which the schools are held by outsiders is best attested by the fact that every district surrounding Rifle is represented in our schools, as are other districts much more remotely situated. To show cause for their confidence in the merits of our schools, it is only necessary to state that the Rifle eighth grade graduates have led the county the last two years, securing both the highest

organized in the winter of 1886-87 by Mr. H. W. Hallett, assisted by John Hickman and others. A lot was donated by Mr. A. Maxfield, funds so-



Residence of Fremont Dixon.

secured and the church was built and dedicated in 1890. Rev. A. C. Peck of Denver having charge. Rev. Naaman Bascom was the pastor, who for a



Residence of Drayman Ed Eakins.

individual average and the highest class average.

Pupils who have gone away to higher institutions of learning have always ranked high as compared with those of the same grades from other schools. The school is conducted on the principle of "not how much, but how well," and pupils removing from this school to others are never humiliated by being demoted to a lower grade. The course of study is being extended as conditions require, and a full high school course is only a question of a brief period of time.

### M. E. CHURCH.

The first preaching service that was held in this community, of which the growing little city of Rifle is now the center, was conducted by the Rev. Mr. Clark, who, it seems, was not sent out by any special authority of the church, but was after the manner of a self-constituted home missionary—yet a minister in the M. E. Church; nevertheless he is entitled to the honor of being the pioneer preacher for Rifle. The first preacher who came to organize and establish the work by the authority of the church was Rev. C. C. P. Hiller. After laboring for a short time, he left and no regular preacher was appointed to at once succeed him, the work being maintained by those who chanced to come. Father Dyer, "the snow-shoe itinerant," was one of this number. The Sunday school was

short time lived in the west part of the church, now used as a class room. The cost of the structure was about \$2,000. The lot north of the church was purchased at a cost of \$165 and the present parsonage was built for



An Alfalfa Field.

the sum of \$500 during the pastorate of Rev. L. E. Kennedy in 1893.

The pastors, other than those already mentioned, who have served the congregation, are as follows: J. C. Veeder, C. W. Simmons, Austin Crooks, T. S. Leland, Mr. Henderson, C. W. Harned, W. N. Simpson and the present incumbent, S. H. Slutz.

The presiding elders who have served the district are: C. A. Brooks, R. A. Carnine and S. H. Kirkbride, whose term has not yet expired. The church, and the cause for which it stands, from its inception to the present, has had the usual experience of such endeavors, but is now on a fairly firm basis, and is entitled to the support of those who love the right and hate the wrong.

### GARRISON BROS.

#### Expert Photography.

This firm has for a number of years borne an enviable reputation throughout this entire section for first-class work. Fred L. Garrison, who is at present sole proprietor of the concern, for a number of years has traversed a wide scope of territory hereabouts during the summer months, making periodical visits to the adjoining

towns, where he conducted his work in a large, convenient tent especially designed for the needs of photography, always doing a profitable business and increasing his number of regular patrons. He has lately added a picture-framing plant to his finely-equipped gallery in this city, which necessitated building an addition to the building. He has now one of the most elegantly equipped studios to be found in this part of the state and is constantly adding to his stock of paraphernalia. Fred makes a study of his



Rifle Hotel.

art and we predict for him a brilliant future.

### THE RIFLE HOTEL.

#### John Nelson, Proprietor.

This is a thoroughly first class family and transient hotel, offering comfort to guests. His furnace heat and well furnished, comfortably arranged rooms. The table service is always the best that can be given with facilities obtainable. All these things combine to make it an especially comfortable and desirable place to stop.

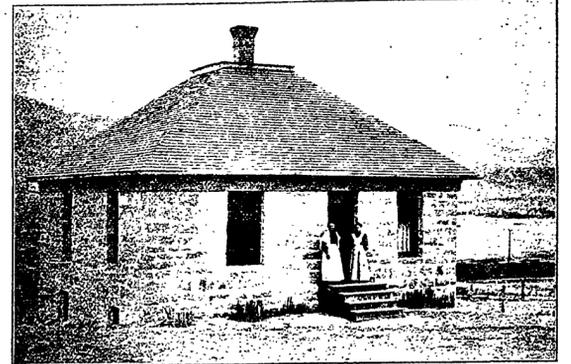
The Rifle hotel building is a new two-story brick, located on Railroad avenue.

Mr. Nelson was formerly of New Castle, where he was engaged in the hotel business for sixteen years. His entire house is always to be found a model of cleanliness. Every possible

### INTERESTED IN MINING.

The New York Herald says: "It is an undeniable fact that most influential business men of the world have turned their attention to mining as the source of nearly all wealth; for persons who have been enslaved to the idea that the only safe proposition is five per cent. or six per cent. security,

combining limited sums of thousands, thus equaling the capital of the individual millionaires, making possible gigantic undertakings that are productive of enormous revenue. The dollar of the man of moderate means is equally as powerful as the dollar of the money king. Both serve their purpose; both are entitled to their proportionate profits.



McLearn Residence.

now realize that many millions of interest have been lost to them through heeding the advice of those interested in cheap money, and that among the banking institutions of the West eight-

"In legitimate mining a twenty-five per cent. dividend is not considered startling, and the mining interests of the West are willing to pay that interest for the use of money, for, by the aid of capital, they open up tremendous ore bodies that lead to still greater fortune. The employment of \$10,000 in mining is equivalent to \$40,000 in most any other branch of industry.

"For years the wondrous profits of the metal industries have been whispered among investors, who apparently were afraid to let their neighbors know they were identified with mining, but the recent efforts of the financial czars of the world in forming combinations to control first the markets of the miners through the 'smelting trust' and then the mines through the 'amalgamated copper trust' have opened the eyes of the conservative and modern investors and they are making efforts to obtain their share of the metallic wealth which nature has spread so lavishly.

"Nature has laid her treasures in the mountain recesses of the West. The American miner searches them out. Eastern money makes possible their conversion into bullion and the joint results of the miner and the capitalists make possible the tremendous profits that signalize successful mining."

### Equatorial Temperature.

The scarcity of meteorological stations near the equator gives interest to a recent report of the observations for five years of Dr. E. Goeldt at



Residence of Daniel Densmore.

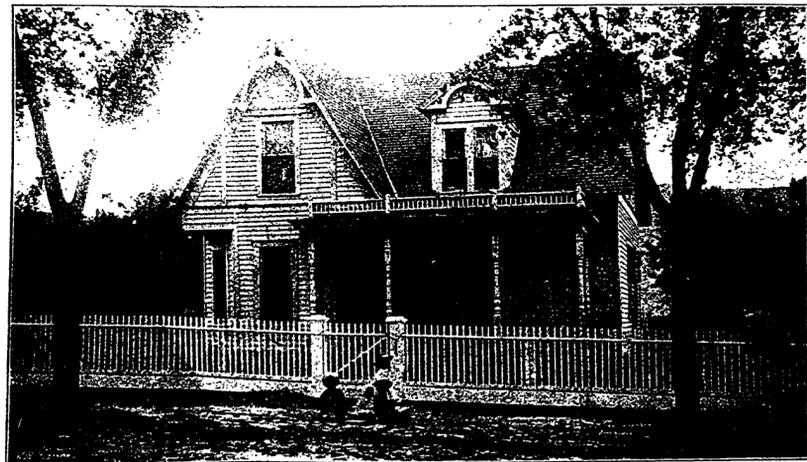
mortgages, eastern industrial and building associations, the American mining industry steadily advances, making enormous profits for its supporters, building great states and cities, and points with pride to the American possession of 253 mines that have paid in dividends over \$625,000,000.

large amounts are not necessary to make one successful, for the man of moderate means, properly advised, has opportunities of quickly doubling his capital. Under incorporation great

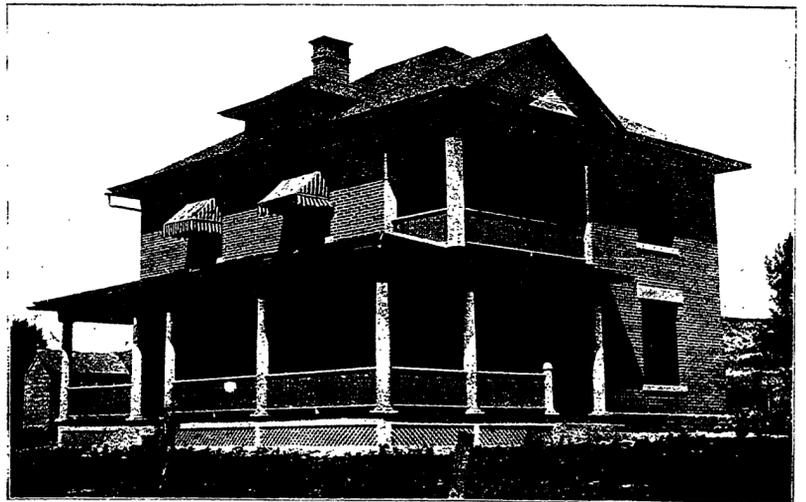
realized and appreciated by all the patrons of the house.

Para. The mean temperature for the year is seventy-eight degrees Fahrenheit, and the annual variation is extremely small—only 2.5 degrees—while the mean daily variation is sixteen degrees. The mean annual rainfall is about 102 inches. A wet season occurs from January to April, with a relatively dry season—in which rain is somewhat frequent—from May to December. The rains are almost exclusively confined to thunder storms of the afternoon and evening.

Henpeck—He's joined the great silent army, Henrietta—When did he die? Henpeck—He didn't die; he got married.



Residence of C. J. Dickinson.



Residence of C. M. Donell.

**WOMAN AS A PROSPECTOR.**

**Miss Louise Wilkins Has Located a Dozen Mines in the Southwest.**

A Los Angeles special to the New York Sun says:

Miss Louise W. Wilkins, who has recently added some \$60,000 to her private fortune by the sale of her Satsuma mine in Arizona, is probably the only woman in the world who is a practical gold miner. There are some veterans who say that she is one of the very best miners known in the Southwest since the Tombstone excitement of 1879.

She is about thirty-four, and has been a prospector and miner for twelve years. She has found, opened, developed and sold five gold and two copper mines in Arizona and Chihuahua, and from three of her gold properties she has realized about \$175,000.

She is black-haired and ruddy complexioned and says her success is largely due to her superb health, which permits her to endure the hardships of getting gold in a wild region, and to her carefulness in prospecting. She has no taste for social affairs or city life. Recently she packed up her personal effects one night at San Francisco and fled to a rude mining camp in Tuolumne county among the Sierras, because of the attention given her by people on account of her wealth.

"One of the chief reasons why I have done so well as a seeker after gold and silver ores in fields that many a good prospector abandoned long before I went out prospecting," said Miss Wilkins recently, "is because I love my vo-

week. I have never known the day when there was not something new and interesting in my pursuit."

Miss Wilkins was born at Poughkeepsie, New York, and came to California with her parents when she was a child.

"There was always something irresistibly fascinating to me about getting golden riches from rocks in the mountain sides," says Miss Wilkins, "and I remember when I was not over a dozen years old trying to find float rocks that might show a trace of gold in them.

was assistant assayer for the Big Tennessee Mining Company.

In the summer of 1890 she and her brother started out on their first prospecting tour. All the old-time miners had fun at the expense of the girl gold miner, and to this day they tell how odd a sight was presented by Miss Wilkins, wearing short woollen skirts, heavy shoes and an immense sunbonnet, trudging along at the side of her two donkeys, both laden with the usual camp outfit of blankets, pickaxes, pans, skillets, gridirons, bags of rations and carpet sacks of clothing, and followed by her brother, accompanied by a laden jackass.

The next winter she went to Globe, Arizona. It was at that time the most notorious community in the territory. Hundreds of hard characters—men who robbed, shot and stabbed—had rushed there. But that did not deter Miss Wilkins. There were only two other women in Globe that winter.

She says she was treated with kindness and on many occasions the courtesy shown her in a rude way by the queer old characters who had lived on the border of civilization for a generation, was almost touching. No oaths were uttered intentionally in her presence; no man ever raised a glass of whisky to his lips if he knew she was about.

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the country to Harqua Hala with her uncle and accompanied by the usual complement of jackasses and camp outfit.

The Harqua Hala mining region was the most prosperous in the Southwest at that time. The mines lay in dark red quartz twenty miles east of the Colorado river, and seventy or more miles north of Yuma. A more desert region one can scarcely imagine.

Once there Miss Wilkins set about studying the lay of the land. Only a few prospectors could get the secret of the gold deposits from the surface indications. For weeks the young wom-

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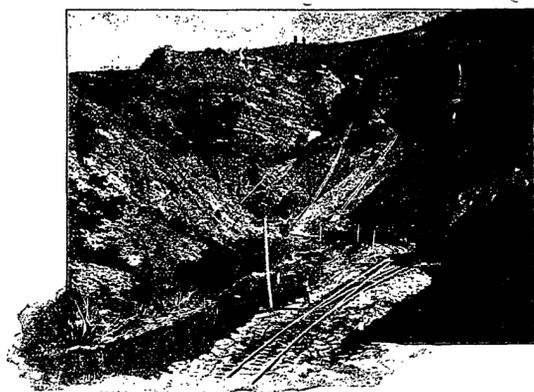
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All waited to hear the boy's reply. Dr. Hoyt smiled cordially.

"I guess it was very good," said the boy, "but there were four fine places he could have stopped."



Eagle River Canon.—On Denver & Rio Grande Railway.



Just "a Sample Copy" of the Kind of Livestock We Raise.

ten University and Henry C. Minton, Moderator of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian church, and other eminent men at dinner. He had delivered his last sermon on the occasion of the celebration of the church's new home. The guests were speaking in strong praise of the sermon on the different religions, and those versed in theology were discussing the doctrinal points he had brought out. Dr. Hoyt's young son was sitting at the table, and President Patton, turning to him, said:

"Do you think the new woman can find a field for herself in mining as you have done?"

"I don't see why women can't tell a good mining property as well as men, if not better; but, of course, mining has been exclusively men's work for so many ages that it will be long before women can see the practicable side of the business. But women are quick observers and have naturally a clearer intuitive knowledge than their broth-

"Once, when we were prospecting down in the mountains between Sonora and Arizona we came to the stony of a sheep rancher, where we found the bodies of two Mexicans. We learned that Apache Kid's band of cutthroats had been that way several weeks before. It is hardly necessary to say that we got out of the locality just as soon as possible.

"I was so frightened for fear of the Kid and his followers were lurking be-

hind ever boulder along the trail in those mountains that I was almost down with nervous prostration for a fortnight after. Once, later, poor Uncle George was bitten by a rattlesnake, but we promptly administered the proper antidote, with which we were always provided."

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One day when I was about fourteen I did find a chunk of red quartz among the foothills in Kern county that contained about a dollar's worth of gold. I spent all that summer prospecting over that region, but I never found any more gold in that part of California."

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Ute Pass.—Altitude, 6,500 to 9,000 feet.—Colorado Midland.

From Manitou Iron Springs to Woodland Park the Colorado Midland Railway is built on solid rock roadbed, dug, mainly, on the left, or southern, side of the narrow gorge. "Horseshoe Curve" in Ute Pass carriage road on right, a mile above Iron Springs station. "Lion's Head Cut" on left, at narrowest point in canon. Road ascends on grade of four per cent., or 211 feet to the mile. The Fountaine Qui Bouille (boiling water), a mountain stream, fed by the snows on Pike's Peak, descends the Pass.

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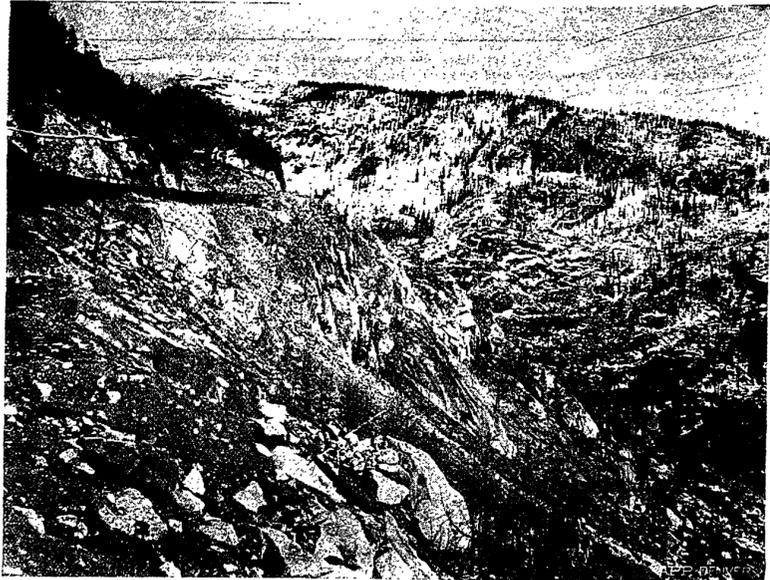
Dome Rock in Granite Canon.—On Line of Colorado Midland Railway.



Eleven-Mile or Granite Canon.—Altitude, 8,085 Feet.



Hell Gate Palisades.—On Line of Colorado Midland Railway.



Rounding Hell Gate.—Colorado Midland.



Mount Sopris, From Line of Colorado Midland Railway.—Altitude, 14,300 feet.

Artists have declared that no more impressive view of mountain scenery exists in the world than the sight of Mount Sopris from the car windows of the Colorado Midland—the peak being in plain view and but ten miles distant.



Collegiate Range and View of Buena Vista.—Altitude, 8,248 feet.

In the valley of the Arkansas river, to the left, Collegiate Range; Mt. Princeton, 14,190 feet; Mt. Yale, 14,187 feet; Mt. Harvard, 14,375 feet, back of the town and easily distinguished. Cottonwood Springs and lake at base of peaks, eight miles away. A noble view of the beautiful valley of the Arkansas river. On line of Colorado Midland Railway.

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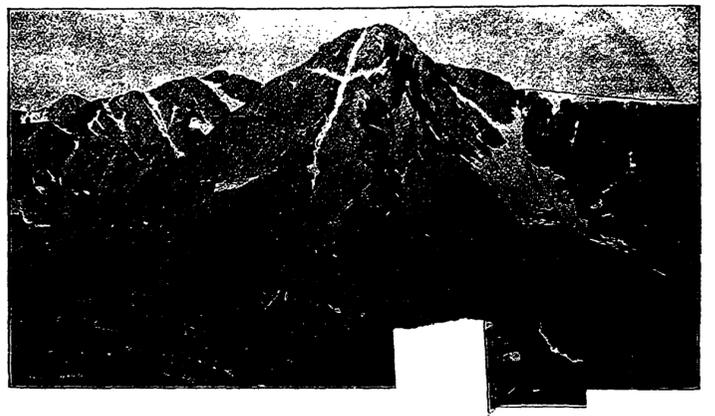
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On the Eagle River.—Line of Denver & Rio Grande Railway.



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