

Governor Replies to Charges of Critics Seeking His Recall Says Legislature Is Responsible for the Existing Evils

One doesn't hear much about the movement started for the recall of Governor Hunt these days. It is understood, however, that opponents of the governor are working diligently in certain parts of the state to secure the necessary signatures for the recall election. In case these signatures are secured there is no doubt but that the governor would win at a recall election.

From the governor's office has been issued a pamphlet entitled "So the People May Know," which gives an interesting insight into the cause of the movement for his recall; also it gives a little inside history of the actions of some of the members of the upper house in trying to hamper and harass the state's chief executive. Following are excerpts from the governor's letter:

"As numerous malicious falsehoods relating to my official acts have recently appeared in certain newspapers of Arizona, I naturally feel that as a public servant upon whom you, as electors, have conferred great responsibility, I should briefly present such facts as indicate the motives of my traducers, who, failing to deter me, by either threats or cajolements, from the performance of my sworn duty to the people, now seek through their controlled newspapers, their retained lawyers and other agents, to accomplish by trickery and deception that which they cannot hope to do by fair and open methods.

"It has been charged that extravagance has resulted from my policies as governor; that the veto of certain sections of the appropriation bill has resulted in 'litigation' and 'huge expense'; that unnecessary commissions have been created; that a state automobile has been maintained; that because of my

alleged association with 'radical elements' it has become 'unsafe' for me to retain the governorship; that my policies and acts have rendered it impossible to enlist foreign capital in 'attractive propositions which the state has to offer'; that for all these reasons, linked to the necessity of 'conserving the peace and dignity of the state,' the governor should be recalled.

"To utterly refute the charge that the state administration has been extravagant, I may point to official records showing that the institutions and departments under my personal official supervision are being collectively operated more economically than was the case during the last territorial administration. Of course, it should be noted that the great boom of statehood carries with it certain added responsibilities entailing in numerous instances additional expense such as results, for example, from the abolition of the reprehensible fee system and the payment with state funds, of all, instead of half, of the salaries allowed to public officers. Will anyone contend for such a reason, that statehood, with all its incalculable possibilities for industrial and civic development, be rejected?

"It is right for me to show that the allied special interests have been scheming and conniving for many months past to first institute such actions as would embarrass the state administration and thereafter make the situation thus brought about the basis of an attempt to recall the governor. To make this conspiracy plain, I may refer to the 1915 session of the legislature during which a group of individuals representing the same interests that are now demanding my recall, appeared in Phoenix and immediately instituted a lobby characterized by such pernicious devices as are known to political corruptionists for the enactment of a mine tax law.

"This proposed measure not only reduced the taxation responsibilities of the large mining companies, but virtually provided that each company should be its own assessor. As such unusual privileges were not accorded to the average citizen, a determined minority in the legislature maintained, justly as I believe, that they should not be reserved to any single class of property owners.

"At the first sign of opposi-

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CONCENTRATES NEWS IN BRIEF

Several more miners came in from Bisbee last Saturday to work at the Trench.

James Kane returned Wednesday from a month's stay in the Oro Blanco country, where he has mining property.

The average price of copper in December was 20.123 cents a pound, according to the Engineering and Mining Journal.

J. P. Harvey, a mining man from Spokane, Wash., has been in the district this week, looking over the field with a view to investment.

Joe McIntyre, a popular bank employe of Nogales, was in the Patagonia district the latter part of last week, looking after his mining interests here.

Pete Hanson was in from the Bland property one day this week. Pete doesn't come to town very often, being too busy trying to develop a mine.

Jens Peterson of the American Boy mine is doing assessment work on the New York claims, in the Tyndall district, owned by Frederick Gullman of Brooklyn, N. Y.

James Wamsley, who has been employed as hoist engineer at the Flux, has accepted a similar position with Chas. Wittig at the Lee shaft of the Ruby Copper company.

C. H. Schultz, who has been sending down ore from the Royal Blue in the Saleros for shipment, was delayed some this week on account of lack of burros.

'Scotty' McDonald, a well known prospector, is back in the Patagonia country again. Since leaving here he has been in the new boom camp of Oatman and other parts of Mohave county.

Albert G. Watkins, for the past eight or nine years a foreman in the employ of the Copper Queen Mining company, was smothered to death one day last week in a stope of the Southwestern mine at Bisbee. The accident removed one of the most highly esteemed residents of the Warren district, and also one of the most valuable employes of the Copper Queen. Deceased was well known in Patagonia, where he was practically raised.

A shortage of burros this week kept some of the shippers from getting to this station as much ore as they expected. A demand for burros in wood hauling at Fort Huachuca caused the shortage. While most of the mines in the Patagonia country are on wagon roads, some require burros for a short haul to the road; others figure that once the burro is loaded it is about as cheap to let the pack stay on as to unload and reload into freight wagons. The meek and lowly but faithful burro plays quite an important part in mining.

Paul McIntyre, who has the Patagonia-Duquesne mail contract, had the hardest trip of the season last Saturday. Usually he returns to Patagonia with mail from the route in time to make connections with south-bound train, but on the trip in question he did not arrive until the next morning. In the Mowry country snow was about four feet deep in drifts and a foot or more on the level. If the weather puts on any more performances of this kind Mr. McIntyre will have to attach a snow plow to his Ford.

Lou Stevens and 'Kid' Baker went up to Bisbee in the former's car Tuesday.

E. E. Bethell made a hurried business trip to the county seat Monday.

Jose Corrales and Dolores Romero were married by Justice Coughlin Sunday night.

The Women's Club will meet Wednesday at the home of Mrs. E. E. Bethell.

P. S. Booth returned to Kingman Monday, after a week spent visiting in Patagonia.

Bill Cody came up from Nogales and visited with his numerous Patagonia friends early in the week.

Jerry Sheehy was in Patagonia Tuesday. He has just returned from a pleasant trip to the big expositions on the coast.

Owing to the storm on New Year's, the big leap year dance at Fruitland hall was postponed until tomorrow night, the 8th.

Benj. Wilson returned to his work at Clarksdale Saturday, after spending the holidays with his wife in the San Rafael valley.

Miss Kate Farrell and Miss Gladys Francis Denton returned to the State Normal at Tempe Saturday, after the holiday vacation.

Ben Powell was sick several days this week with grip. Mrs. Powell and little son were also suffering from the same complaint.

Rich Farrell and G. A. La Bounty, two of the district's well known miners, were Nogales visitors Tuesday and Wednesday.

Miss Ruth Parker returned Wednesday morning to her home in Parker's Canyon, after a visit with friends and relatives in Nogales.

The father of A. D. Page, formerly a resident of Patagonia but now living in Nogales, was seriously injured at Wilcox recently, by being run into by a freight train.

W. T. Roath motored through to Nogales Monday from his home in the northern part of the county. The roads were in a very bad condition from the recent big snow.

A letter received in Patagonia from Bo J. Whiteside states that he is now employed as guard at the Bisbee-Tombstone road construction work, being done by convict labor.

On account of the derailment of the Tucson train just out of Nogales, the Patagonia train was unable to get up until late in the afternoon Saturday. Running as far as Benson it returned about 11 o'clock at night on the return trip.

Location Notices for sale at McCutchan's Patagonia Smoke House and Pendergrass's Amusement Parlor.

A good way to boost Home Business is to keep your printing at home. The printer doesn't patronize mail order houses. How about your supply of Letterheads, Billheads, Envelopes, etc? SANTA CRUZ PATAGONIAN

John Williams, a Bisbee attorney, accompanied by Bruce Wagner, a mining man of Cochise county, were in town Tuesday evening, later leaving for Nogales.

Miss Lucretia Del Valle of Los Angeles is visiting at the home of her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Northcraft, in Patagonia for a few weeks. Miss Del Valle is the daughter of a well known state senator from southern California, and is a famous theatrical star, having played one of the leading roles in the Mission Play at San Gabriel during the past ten months.

Howard Keener, a newspaper man in the employ of the Star at Tucson, is at his home in the San Rafael valley for a few weeks, making preparations to farm on a more extensive scale the coming season.

Rev. Geo. C. Golden lectured Tuesday evening in the school house to a small but appreciative audience. He makes regular weekly visits to Patagonia from Nogales, and will be here again next Tuesday evening. Those who fail to hear him lecture are missing a treat.

Miss Grace Van Osdale came up from Nogales on Thursday's train, and went out to her home in the San Rafael valley on the mail stage. She had been to the county seat for the purpose of proving up on her fine homestead in the San Rafael valley. U. S. Commissioner W. A. O'Connor.

The Patagonian received two bogus checks this week in the regular course of business—and it wasn't a very good week for business, either. We had intended to send out statements next week, calling attention to the delinquency of some of our valued but dilatory subscribers—but what's the use?

Two of the Patagonia school teachers, Mrs. Anna Fortune and Miss Jeannette Shaw, were sick this week, the latter at her home in Los Angeles, where she went to spend the holidays. During their enforced absence from their duties their places were taken by Miss Lola Wilson and Miss Ruby Shields, two of the advanced pupils. The young substitutes filled the positions with entire satisfaction to the principal, trustees, pupils and patrons generally.

Arizona's Output Is Almost \$90,000,000 From Mines of State

Predicted That Valuation in 1916 Will Be \$125,000,000

The phenomenal record of production for Arizona was reached in 1915 by gold, silver, copper, lead and zinc, amounting to almost \$90,000,000, jumping in one year from \$60,000,000. Yet Arizona has but started, according to a bulletin received from the Arizona State Bureau of Mines.

Copper in 1916 will, with all the properties in the state working, reach almost 600,000,000 pounds. With this increase, the gold and silver production will follow, as many of the mines have gold and silver content. Although the value of the state's production in zinc was two and one-half millions, the zinc production is in its infancy.

Arizona is coming forward with leaps and bounds in its production of tungsten, molybdenum, vanadium and many of the so-called "rare metals." The year 1916 should see the \$90,000,000 valuation on the metal output raised to \$125,000,000.

Burro trains have been bringing in ore all this week from the Andes group on Red Mountain, about two miles back of Patagonia, and the initial shipment from this latest producer will go out from Patagonia probably by the middle of next week. A shortage of burros will prevent the shipment being made sooner.

County on Cash Basis

At the January meeting of the Board of Supervisors it was decided to bond the county and place it on a cash basis. County Engineer Larimore was instructed to make a survey of the proposed change of road in Proto canyon. Money from the recent sale of bonds for road improvement is available, and the supervisors and county engineer are preparing to make the improvements.

The petition of Clyde Shields that he be appointed a deputy county ranger, to be stationed along the boundary line out from Nogales, was referred to the sheriff's office.

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The Elgin Farm Improvement Association met at Fruitland hall on New Year's day, at 2 p.m., with President Charles Woods in the chair. The secretary, Mrs. Carrie L. Fraizer, not being present, Judge I. P. Fraizer was requested to act pro tem. After dispensing with unfinished business, the following officers were elected: President, Rev. Stutzman; first vice president, I. P. Fraizer; second vice president, L. Heayner; treasurer, A. C. Dalton; secretary, Carrie S. Fraizer; assistant secretary and manager of programs to precede business feature, Mary B. Mowrey. As no further business was before the meeting, the society adjourned to meet the first Saturday in February at 2 p.m.

Henry Woods passed through Elgin Tuesday on his way home after a two weeks' visit with his mother in Globe.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Homer Gray, on the 30th ult., a son. Mrs. H. W. Eason was in Elgin this week on her way to her home in Elgin, after a week's visit to her husband in Bisbee.

The Misses Turner, accompanied by Messrs. Fenter and Turner, came over from Pantano New Year's day and were guests of Mrs. Barnett.

Mr. Hamlett shipped 100 bags of beans Monday, the largest shipment this fall.

February 21-26 inclusive is to be made National Pay-Up week. Some one is always trying to take the joy out of life.

Governor Replies

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tion to their program of tax exemption, the mine tax champions, among whom Charley H. Akers, O. S. Stapley and Ned Creighton were conspicuous, let it be known that until this opposition melted away, there would be no further legislation enacted. Pursuant to this threat, many meritorious measures were held in committees until the regular session of 60 days at the taxpayers' expense came to an end without the adoption of even the general appropriations bill necessary for the maintenance of state departments and institutions during the two ensuing years.

"After 36 days more of dalliance on the part of mine tax adherents, there came forth at the conclusion of the second legislative session an appropriations bill so framed as to cripple certain departments to the advantage of others, and to effect a show of economy by eliminating four-fifths of the usual fund allowed for public schools.

"In this way three sessions of the legislature, instead of one, were necessitated by the mining interest 'economists' at a cost of \$100,000. Taking these facts in connection with the Stapley-Akers most recent proposition for economy—the calling of a \$50,000 special recall election, we may accurately sense the truth that selfish political motives, rather than any true concern for the public welfare is the basis of this present campaign of lying, deception and roguery.

"That measure of mock economy which proposed the abolishment of four-fifths of the public school fund was conceived in a state senate where two-thirds of the members were strenuous supporters of the iniquitous mine tax bill, and where the number of clerks employed with state funds was greater than had been sanctioned by any other senate in the history of the territory or state. Three men, for example, were employed by this same 'economical' senate to discharge the onerous duty of opening and closing the doors of the legislative chamber. My veto of certain sections of the appropriations bill, which was evolved by this body of 'econ-

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at the sacrifice of the public's interests in the last legislature. "If the hired agents and controlled newspapers, who are now seeking my recall, should throw aside their cloak of hypocrisy, they would be driven to the admission of their main grievance, the frustration of the organized effort of special interests to escape their just proportion of taxation. Legitimate capital, having honest intentions, is entering Arizona as rapidly and unhesitatingly as ever, and will always receive fair and lawful treatment from the state, so far as the present governor is concerned. "The charge that I have disregarded 'order and decency' is presumably an allusion to the fact that I have steadfastly refused to order the militia to shoot down hungry men and helpless women and children in the Clifton-Morenci district. For the ultimate result of the formidable conspiracy herein described I have no fear or apprehension. Truth crushed to earth shall rise again, despite the scoundrelly connivance of 'foreign' capitalists or the lies of their prostitute press." GEORGE W. P. HUNT, Governor of Arizona.

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Notice is hereby given that Howard Ridge, of Elgin, Arizona, who, on Oct. 7, 1915, made homestead application No. 028524, for lots 2, 3, NE 1/4, SE 1/4 NW 1/4, NE 1/4 SW 1/4, Section 18, Township 21 S., Range 18 E., G. & S. E. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make three year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before W. A. O'Connor, U. S. Commr., at Nogales, Arizona, on the 28th day of January, 1916.
Claimant names as witnesses: P. A. Blauser, John A. McCarty, Frank Jolly, Charles Frazier, all of Elgin, Arizona, 304.58a Thomas F. Weedlin, Register. First published Dec. 31, 1915 1-28

Notice for Publication
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Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, Phoenix, Arizona, Dec. 30, 1915.
Notice is hereby given that Charles Thomas Fraizer, of Elgin, Arizona, who on Oct. 7, 1915, made homestead application No. 028525, for SE 1/4 NW 1/4, W 1/2 SW 1/4, Sec. 14; SE 1/4 NE 1/4, SE 1/4 SE 1/4, Sec. 15, NW 1/4 NW 1/4, Section 23, Township 21 S., Range 17 E., G. & S. E. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make three year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before W. A. O'Connor, U. S. Commissioner, at Nogales, Arizona, on the 9th day of February, 1916.
Claimant names as witnesses: P. A. Blauser, J. A. McCarty, T. W. Yeary, J. F. Cunningham, all of Elgin, Arizona. Thomas F. Weedlin, Register. First publication Jan. 7, 1916 2-1

Notice for Publication
028542
Department of the Interior, United States Land Office at Phoenix, Arizona, December 30, 1915.
Notice is hereby given that Francis Outhbert Pendergrass, of Elgin, Arizona, who on October 9, 1915, made Homestead Application No. 028542, for east half of Section 22, Township 21 S., Range 18 E., G. & S. E. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make three year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before W. A. O'Connor, U. S. Commissioner, at Nogales, Arizona, on the 9th day of February, 1916.
Claimant names as witnesses: John A. McCarty, E. A. Blauser, Howard Ridge, Frank Jolly, all of Elgin, Arizona. Thomas F. Weedlin, Register. First publication Jan. 7, 1916 2-4

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Notice is hereby given that Peter Alvin Blauser of Elgin, Arizona, who on Oct. 8, 1915, made homestead application No. 028533 for SW 1/4, SE 1/4 NW 1/4, Section 18, Township 21 S., Range 17 E., G. & S. E. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make three year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before W. A. O'Connor, U. S. Commr., at Nogales, Arizona, on the 28th day of January, 1916.
Claimant names as witnesses: Howard Ridge, John A. McCarty, Frank Jolly, James F. Cunningham, all of Elgin, Arizona. Thomas F. Weedlin, Register. First published Dec. 31, 1915 1-28

Notice for Publication
Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Phoenix, Arizona, December 20, 1915.
Notice is hereby given that John Anthony McCarty, of Elgin, Arizona, who on Oct. 9, 1915, made homestead application No. 028544, for SE 1/4, E 1/2 SW 1/4, Sec. 14; NE 1/4 NW 1/4; NW 1/4 NE 1/4, Section 23, Township 21 S., Range 17 E., G. & S. E. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make three year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before W. A. O'Connor, U. S. Commissioner, at Nogales, Arizona, on the 28th day of January, 1916.
Claimant names as witnesses: P. A. Blauser, Howard Ridge, Frank Jolly, James F. Cunningham, all of Elgin, Arizona. Thomas F. Weedlin, Register. First publication, Dec 31-15 1-28

Notice for Publication
017030-023904
Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Phoenix, Arizona, Dec. 4, 1915.
Notice is hereby given that Minerva A. Carver, of Sonoita, Arizona, widow of Homer B. Carver, deceased, who on March 25, 1912, made Org. Hd. 017030 and Dec. 6, 1913, add'l. Hd. No. 023904, for NE 1/4, E 1/2 SE 1-4, Sec. 9; and W 1-2 SW 1-4, Section 10, Township 20 S., Range 17 E., G. & S. E. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make three year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before W. A. O'Connor, U. S. Commissioner, at Nogales, Arizona, on the 18th day of January, 1916.
Claimant names as witnesses: Mark Manning, Cornelius Ferris, Frank Rigby, (3), of Sonoita; and Ernest R. Purdum, of Nogales, Arizona. Thomas F. Weedlin, Register. First pub Dec. 10, 1915 1-7

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