

CIMARRON A CENTURY AGO

THE CIMARRON CITIZEN: Cimarron, the Place of Oppurtunity. Just One-Half Mile from Heaven.

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No. 43, January 13, 1909

"SWASTIKA IN NEW HANDS: Mrs Hoover Takes Charge of the Swastika Hotel"

The Swastika Hotel, which has been shut since the first of the year, again opened its doors for the public last week. The Misses Larson, who had been operating and managing the hotel for the past few months, found that the work to too hard for them, and on the last of December, they turned the property over to the owners. Last week new arrangements were made, whereby Mrs. Hoover leased the premises and took charge of this popular hotel as manager. Mrs. Hanover is well known in Colfax County and has had much experience in managing hotels in the past. She will cater to the best trade, and pay special attention to transients, and will no doubt keep up the usual standard of excellence that the hotel had earned for itself in the past.

No. 44, Wed, January 20, 1909

"STREET LIGHTS HAVE ARRIVED: Two Twelve Hundred Candle Power Street Lights Installed. More Coming"

Some time ago a letter was circulated among the business men of new town and they were asked to subscribe by signing this list for street lights. Quite a sum was raised in a very short time, enough nearly for four big twelve hundred candle power gasoline lamps. Those lamps are made expressly for street lighting and are enclosed in a glass wind shield set on very good looking cast-iron post or pedestal.

Two of the lamps have arrived and are placed on the northeast and northwest corners of the park. Two more have been ordered and one will be placed on the corner at the Oxford Hotel and one on the corner south of the depot near the Fulton Restaurant.

"SURPRISE CARD PARTY: Mrs. Fred Brooks Entertains in Honor of Husband's Birthday. Progressive Whist Being the Order of the Evening."

"SCHOLARS' FIRE DRILLS: Cimarron Schools Will have Fire Drills for All Rooms."

Now that the Cimarron schools have been moved into the new school where the whole number are thrown in together in one building, Prof. Pugh has decided that the children will be given regular drills. The new building is planned with an especial view of safety of the pupils in case of fire, having spacious halls and great wide stairways.

MANY PEOPLE SPEND HALF THEIR LIVES IN HESITATION AND THE OTHER HALF IN REGRETTING and a few know a GOOD THING when they see it. Those few are AT CIMARRON NOW but THERE IS ROOM FOR MORE.

No. 46, February 3, 1909

"THE KEY TO CIMARRON: Enormous Key to Cimarron Will be Presented to Distinguished Visitors"

Hereafter distinguished visitors to Cimarron will be given a unique surprise when they come to town. The Cimarron Lumber Company has just finished building an enormous wooden key for the Cimarron Townsite Co., to be used for the purpose of showing strangers that Cimarron opens all doors and all opportunities to them. The big key has been gilded and has painted on the side, "Key to Cimarron." It is about six feet long, the stem is hollow so as to serve as a receptacle for either liquid refreshments hard or soft, gold ore or home manufactured brick, Cimarron apples or samples of small grain. The part of the key which in all well made keys does the business, is also made hollow and is large enough to hold either a box of choice cigars or a good sized bible of the latest print and finest workmanship, the idea being that Cimarron can be all things to all men. If the key should be presented to a mixed party of notables, booze can be taken from the haft and bibles from the do-dad that unlocks the lock.

But seriously, the key is an exquisite piece of workmanship, an odity that will not be found in a long journey, and will undoubtedly be a great thing to advertise Cimarron with.

No. 47, Wednesday, February 10, 1909

"M.M. CHASE SHIPS APPLES: Three Car Loads Went Out Last Thursday"

M.M. Chase has been filling some large orders for his apples during the last three weeks. Mason G. Chase left a week ago for the southern part of the territory and for western Texas to sell apples, and has been instrumental in placing a few big orders for the Colfax county apple, which is being shipped right through the apple growing territory in and around Carlsbad and Roswell. Experts who visited the Irrigation Congress at Albuquerque, where apples of every kind and description were exhibited, stated that while the southern grown apple had more color than the Colfax county apple, they did not seem to compare with the home grown fruit in sweetness, firmness and in the amount of juice. This may account for the fact that Mr. Chase is shipping apples into Texas from a point at least five hundred miles further away than the apple growing center of southeastern New Mexico. But be that as it may, he has not only had orders for car loads of apples from Texas but from Denver, and other Colorado points as well, and at the present rate of shipment it will not be long before even his enormous supply must be exhausted.

Gold to the right of us.
Coal to the left of us.
Farm land in front of us.
Water just behind us.
Coil Oil under us.
Sunshine always over us.
Timber on all sides of us.
Money on top of us.
Millions lying about us.

All in a Radius of Forty Miles of Us.
HERE IN CIMARRON

THE CIMARRON CITIZEN: Colfax County Has the Cimarron Valley
with Cimarron Lying in the Middle of it. Enough is Said.

No. 48, Wednesday, February 17, 1909

No. 50, March 3, 1909

"EASTERN STAR IS ORGANIZED HERE: Cimarron Chapter No. 22
Installed Last Thursday Evening."

No. 1, Wednesday, March 31, 1909

"WIND BLEW CARS AWAY: Coleman Loses His Cow in Shuffle--Blames
New Mexico Winds."

Manager Coleman of the Crocker Mercantile company is now wondering what the New Mexico winds will not do these days. Last Wednesday he shipped a fine milk cow to Cimarron from Raton. The cow had a box car to herself and since the train was late, it was decided to let her stay in the car all night. The car, together with three others was placed on a side track in the yards, and the man in charge went out to get a belated supper. Imagine his surprise on returning to find that the cow, cars and all were missing. The wind had started them down the grade east and they ran out on the main track for three miles and were picked up by the yard engine next morning.