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NEW C. & S. PASSENGER DEPOT IS NOW ASSURED

A new C. & S. passenger depot for Trinidad is assured and ground will be broken shortly.

L. A. Hanawald, chairman of the transportation committee of the chamber of commerce, today received word from Robert Rice, general manager of the C. & S. railroad, that all negotiations and contracts with the D. & E. G. and others for the ground site for the proposed new station have been completed and signed, and that the C. & S. will lose no time now in getting work started.

This new station is to cost in the neighborhood of \$200,000 and will be a large, modern structure occupying an extensive site on the South Side of the tracks from the location of the present depot. The chamber of commerce has been working for this new passenger depot for two or three years and Mr. Hanawald as chairman of the transportation committee, has been instrumental in bringing about the building project.

Mr. Hanawald said today, "It's good news coming just the day before I leave town."

MARSHALL IS IMPROVING AT WASHINGTON HOSPITAL



Washington, May 29 (AP.)—Former Vice-President Thomas R. Marshall was said by his attendants tonight to be maintaining a slow course back to health, showing distinct improvement since he was confined to bed several days ago by exhaustion and a cold.

Several Washington friends today sent flowers to the sick room, at the New Willard hotel.

COMMITTS SUICIDE IN ROOM EARLY TODAY

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PARADE REMINDERS

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT
All Scouts and scout officials are requested to meet on the west side of the court house at 9 o'clock sharp Saturday morning, May 30th, for our formation in the Memorial day parade. We want to see every Scout in this parade. It will mean a great deal to the Boy Scout council, so do not fail to be there. Uniforms are not required for this parade, but if you have one please wear it.

A REAL TREAT
The management of the Elks circus has attended an invitation to all Scouts to attend the Elks circus Monday night, June 1. Any Boy Scout who appears with his registration card or uniform will be admitted free. Let us show our appreciation of this offer by turning out in good numbers.

CARROLL C. THOMAS, Scout Executive

All American Legion men and employees are requested to meet at the court house at 9 o'clock tomorrow morning to take part in the Memorial day parade.

BASEBALL EXTRA

NATIONAL LEAGUE	
St. Louis	5 8 0
At Pittsburgh	6 9 1
Brooklyn	11 14 2
At Boston	5 10 1
Chicago	10 12 0
At Cincinnati	6 14 1
Philadelphia at New York, postponed.	
AMERICAN LEAGUE	
New York	4 10 1
At Philadelphia	6 10 0
Detroit	12
At Chicago	5
(8th inning)	
Boston	1
At Washington	8
(7th inning)	
Cleveland	4
At St. Louis	4
(4th inning)	

MRS. ANDRIETA VIGIL, WIDOW OF J. U. VIGIL, PIONEER RESIDENT, DIED TODAY

Death at 11:15 this morning called another of prominent family of this community when Mrs. Andrieta M. Vigil, 47 years old, former postmistress of Trinidad and widow of J. U. Vigil for many years leader of the democratic party in Las Animas county, passed away at her home on University street after several months of illness. Mrs. Vigil was one of the best known and most highly respected Spanish-American families and was born near Weston, Colorado, 47 years ago and had lived in this county all her life.

Mrs. Andrieta Vigil served as postmistress succeeding her husband, J. U. Vigil from 1915-1922.

Deceased grew up in the country near Weston and was first married to Jose Eliaho Martinez from which union were born two children, Jose Benito of Denver, and Jose Eliaho Martinez, Trinidad attorney, and representative in the last session of the state legislature. In 1900 she was married to J. Urbana Vigil, pioneer resident and for many years democratic leader, who was serving as postmaster when he died June 3, 1916. From this marriage there were six children. They are Marcus Vigil, employed at the local postoffice, Aldo who is a teacher at McLeod, Jose Urbana, and Antonio A. Vigil attending the Trinidad high school, Carlos E. and Ernestine Vigil attending the city grade schools.

Surviving also are three stepchildren, Manuel Vigil, counsel for large oil interests in Mexico City; Mrs. Rafaelita Y. Sandoval, principal of the school at Bopris, and Mrs. M. V. Drummond of El Paso, Texas. Four sisters are Mrs. J. L. Duran of this city, Mrs. Juan E. Martinez of Montrose, Colo.; Mrs. L. L. Martinez of Trinidad, and Mrs. Albino Maes of Denver. Four brothers are Jose R. J. B. and C. E. Maes of Delaroso and J. R. Maes of Delaroso and J. R. Maes Jr. of Montrose, Colo.

Body is in care of Campbell-Lewis Mortuary and funeral announcement will be made later.

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STILL NO WORD FROM AMUNDSEN

North Pole Flight Started Two Weeks Ago.

New York, May 29 (AP.)—Fear for the safety of Captain Roald Amundsen and his five fellow explorers has been somewhat allayed by the revelation that he allotted two weeks for completion of their flight expedition to the North Pole

DOHENY PLANS TO APPEAL OIL LEASE RULING

Federal Court Decision Rendered to Cancel Leases.

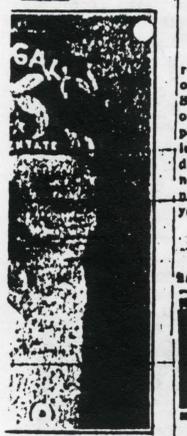
Los Angeles, May 29 (AP.)—Granded by a federal court an order passers on the oil lands of the United States, the Doheny Oil interests today prepared to carry to a higher tribunal the decision handed down here yesterday by Judge Paul J. McCormick, ordering them to give up for cancellation their leases in naval oil reserve number one, California

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Trinidad ball team is safe this year. With editor a director of the team, "infloence" to bear to have any inning in which the ores off Johnson, minus his whiskers, play- Matt Mesch should be notified at once.

tood also that Tom Bradley, defeated Dem- e for mayor at the city election in April. e election be held over again on the ground were "only fooling."

FLAG ETIQUETTE

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The use of the Flag for athletic uniforms, nap- starry field down. kins, or other means lacking in dignity and respect, while not strictly a violation of law, are violations of patriotic feeling.

There is an old army custom which affords an opportunity to do reverence to the Stars and Stripes whereby old and frayed Flags are withdrawn from active service. By it the blue field is cut from the Flag. Then the separate pieces (of the Flag which is no longer a Flag) are burned and their ashes scattered on the parade ground.

SANTA FE R. R. ADVISES FURTHER ON REDUCED PASSENGER FARES FOR TRINIDAD

Confirming the announcement made recently when the directors of the chamber of commerce met with J. M. Connell, general passenger agent of the Santa Fe railroad that Trinidad would get the benefit of reduced passenger fares to eastern points beginning June 1. The chamber today received a communication from F. M. Williams, local agent of the company relative to the new fares. Mr. Williams' letter is as follows:

May 23, 1925.

Summer Tourist Fares to Trinid- ad, Colo. File P-17.
Mr. Wm. E. Inglis, Secretary :
Trinidad-Las Animas County C.
of C.
Trinidad, Colorado.

Dear Sir:
Referring to conference held May 19th regarding round trip tourist fares from the East to Trinidad. At this conference Mr. Connell was unable to advise whether or not the round trip fares would apply via di- verse routes. I am now advis- ed by Mr. Connell as follows:

"Summer tourist tariffs quot- ing fares from Missouri River and from points east of Missou- ri River to Trinidad, via Den- ver, Colo., Colorado Springs, or Pueblo authorize diverse routes east of these points; no diversi- ty authorized beyond Denver.

Colorado Springs or Pueblo, Un- der this arrangement tickets may be routed westbound from Missouri River and east via Santa Fe, Missouri Pacific, Rock Island or Burlington and on the return via any one of these lines. Tickets routed via Santa Fe and Denver in both directions from Chicago or Missouri River could be used Santa Fe to Denver, thence Santa Fe to Trinidad, re- turning direct from Trinidad or via Denver as desired."

I believe this is line with your request that these summer tourist fares should apply via diverse routes and trust it will be satisfactory to you.

Yours truly,
F. M. WILLIAMS,

Trinidad

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- 1. First Section, Col. Mabry Comdg.
- 2. Grand Marshall and Aides.
- 3. Trinidad Band.
- 4. City Mayor, City Council, in cars.
- 5. County Officials, in cars.
- 6. G. A. R. Members, in cars.
- 7. United Spanish War Veterans, and firing squad.
- 8. American Legion; Veterans of Foreign Wars.
- 9. Co. E. 412th. Inf't-Res., Lt. Cook, Comdg.
- 10. Officers Reserve Corps, Lt. Col. Adams, Med-Res. Comdg.

Second Section, Lieut. Roper Com- manding:

- 1. School children, Miss Moody, Comdg.
- 2. Camp Fire Girls, Mrs. Stough, Comdg.
- 3. Boy Scouts, Scoutmaster Mur- ray, Comdg.
- 4. Auxiliaries of the various pa- triotic organizations as outlined in the First Section and arranged ac- cording to seniority.

Par. 4. The line of march will be as follows:
Form at 9:15 a.m. and march at 9:30 sharp.

Head facing WEST on FIRST St. at corner of MAPLE St. In front of Court House; march NORTH ON MAPLE St. to MAIN St.; WEST ON MAIN St. to COMMERCIAL St.; NORTH ON COMMERCIAL St. to intersection of COLORADO Ave. and ARIZONA Ave.; disband; take cars to cemetery; reform at old entrance to Masonic cemetery and march to G. A. R. Plot where appropriate ceremonies will be held.

Par. 5. All heads of committees and those in charge of groups will report to their respective Division Commander.

By Command of
HENRY E. ABBOTT,
Grand Marshall.

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Presenting Jimmy Gallane o- moor, Col., who recently into the limelight by driv- ing ball 470 yards. This is said stitute a new world record tance. It's quite a feat at t if you don't think so, try it a when you're out on the

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Canadian blacksmith \$60,000,000, so now he can under his chestnut tree.



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Room 4.

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Preceding all this, District Attorney J. W. Hawley had filed information in the district court charging Dr. Presnall with the murder of his wife, but owing to the insanity probe asked for by A. W. McHendrie, counsel for Presnall, no trial date was set. Dr. Presnall was under the care and observation of Dr. Thompson at Woodcroft hospital when Presnall took his own life early today.

A. W. McHendrie, who was council for Dr. Presnall, was notified by telephone immediately after the suicide of his client was discovered. When interviewed this morning at his office in the Colorado building, Mr. McHendrie said there was no statement he cared to make. He

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