

CURRENT COMMENT

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H. C. Stillman

H. C. Stillman, aged 82, was instantly killed on the night of June 9, when an automobile in which he was a passenger was struck by another machine near Globe. Mr. Stillman was secretary of the Douglas Business Men's Protective Association, and had attended a meeting of this organization at Prescott, and was en route to Douglas by way of the Coolidge Dam when the accident occurred which took his life and that of W. W. Arr, of Globe, and seriously injured Robert Hamilton, secretary of the Bisbee Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Stillman was a native of Connecticut, having been born and reared at Bridgeport. He came to Arizona in 1880, coming first to Bisbee, then called Mule Gulch, as an employee of a construction company, and had charge of the first load of freight ever shipped by rail from Tucson to Fairbank. He remained in Bisbee, being one of the organizers of that city and served the city as postmaster for one term. He was one of the first men to do excavating work on the Copper Queen Mine. He served as a deputy under Sheriff Behan, first sheriff of Cochise County. He also served as an agent for the Wells-Fargo Express Company in the days in Arizona when a man was virtually taking his life in his hands to act in such capacity. Mr. Stillman was a real pioneer of the Hell-roarin', rip-snortin' Arizona that was, and he recorded for the office of Arizona State Historian stories of his early experiences. Among these is the graphic account of the activities of the Heath gang of robbers and murderers. They culminated their career of crime by the wanton robbery and murder of several prominent citizens of Bisbee, and the enraged citizens of that city and Tombstone proclaimed, practically, a Roman holiday and hanged four of the gang at a public hanging in the latter city in the early eighties.

While of an advanced age, Mr. Stillman was as active as a man many years his junior, and was one of the most prominent workers in the civic affairs of the City of Douglas. He was the last veteran of the Civil War in that district, and was the pre-

siding officer at the last Memorial Day services a few days prior to his death.

Mr. Stillman is survived by his wife, to whom he had been married nearly sixty years, a daughter, two sons, two sisters and a brother.

H. M. Woods

Henry Morgan Woods, pioneer of Cochise County, died at his home in Bisbee on June 2. He was born at Southboro, Mass., in 1855, and came to Arizona in 1879. With the exception of two years, he lived continuously in Cochise County from the time of his arrival in Arizona. During the boom days of Tombstone, Mr. Woods was foreman of the historic Contention Mine. The family moved to Bisbee in the early '90's, where Mr. Wood was employed by the Copper Queen Company, who retired him on pension in 1917.

Mr. Woods was for many years a member of the Bisbee school board, and he served his district in the territorial legislature for four years, beginning in 1898. He was a Mason of high degree, and held important offices in this lodge and the O. E. S.

Mr. Woods' first wife was Letta May Steele, of Tombstone. Five children were born to them, three of whom survive. Mrs. Woods died in 1910, and several years later Mr. Woods married Mrs. Emma Farrington, who also survives him. One of the children, Miss Gladys Woods, makes her home in Phoenix.

Ruth Guernsey Kelly

Mrs. Ruth G. Kelly died in Los Angeles on June 4, following a short illness from pneumonia. Mrs. Kelly was a pioneer of the State of Arizona, having arrived in Solomonville, where she taught school, in 1896. She also lived at Bisbee, Clifton and Tucson before coming to Phoenix where she made her home until about a year ago. She was connected with the state library as assistant librarian from 1923 to 1927, and she also worked for the state highway department.

Mrs. Kelly was born at Bloomfield, Iowa, in 1875, the daughter of Jennie C. and Henry Guernsey. She is survived by the aged mother, four children—W. H. Kelly, former owner of the Tombstone Epitaph, now with the Arizona Daily Star, Tucson; Samuel G. Kelly, lieutenant in the United States Navy; Mrs. A. B. Stevens, Los Angeles; Alice Jane Kelly, employe of the Arizona Corporation Commission, and now in Los Angeles on leave of absence; three grandchildrtn, children of Mr. and Mrs. Stevens, three brothers and two sisters. One of the sisters, Mrs. E. L. Shaw, is a resident of Phoenix and was called to Los Angeles when Mrs. Kelly's condition became serious. This is the second time within six months that the hand of death has claimed a member of this family, Major Geo. H. Kelly, State Historian, Mrs. Kelly's father-in-law, having passed away last November.

Funeral services were held for Mrs. Kelly on June 7, with burial in Pomona beside the grave of a brother who was killed accidentally several years ago. By order of Governor Phillips, the flag at the state house was placed at half-mast during the funeral hour, from 10 to 11.

Eliza Campbell

Eliza Campbell, aged 79, wife of Dan Campbell, and mother of former Governor Thomas E. Campbell, died at her home in Prescott on June 17. She had been a resident of Arizona since 1873, coming to Fort Whipple as a bride in that year. She is a native of Ireland, and came to America with her parents at the age of ten.

Besides the son mentioned, the survivors are the husband and three other children—Mrs. Fred Juleff, Bisbee; Mrs Lila Campbell Duffy, Phoenix, and Harry Campbell, Florence. Two grandchildren, Allen and Brodie Campbell, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Campbell, also survive.

When the REVIEW went to press the funeral of Mrs. Campbell had not been held, awaiting the arrival of the son, Tom Campbell, who sailed from Spain on June 16. He will come by plane to Prescott from New York immediately upon his arrival in New York, which is expected to be about June 24.

James Henry East

James Henry East died at his home in Douglas on June 13, at the age of 77.

“Jim” East, a native of Illinois, came to Douglas more than 25 years ago from Texas, where he settled in 1870. He was prominently active in the business and political life of Oldham County, Texas, for many years, serving that county as sheriff for two terms. His wide experience in early life gave him a colorful background, and at one time he was associated with Pat Garrett, then celebrated sheriff of Lincoln County, New Mexico. He helped Garrett stamp out cattle rustling in that county, and to East was assigned the job of taking the notorious outlaw, Billy the Kid, to Albuquerque to be turned over to Gov. Lew Wallace. Other than to admit this fact, Judge East always modestly declined to discuss this incident.

While Judge East came to Douglas to spend a life of retirement, twice he served that city as chief of police. At the time of his death he was judge of the police court, having been appointed to that position by former Mayor Haymore.

Judge East is survived by his wife, Nettie Bouldin East, member of a pioneer Douglas family, to whom he was married December 6, 1884. Mrs. East is a native of Virginia.

Judge East was a life member of the Douglas Lodge of Elks.

JOHN C GREENWAY STATUE UNVEILED

On Saturday, May 24th, 1930, Arizona presented to the nation a bronze statue of John Campbell Greenway to take its place among other memorials of our illustrious dead in Statuary Hall, in the National Capital, Washington, D C.

This heroic figure, by Gutzon Borgium, is the first statue of a World War veteran to be placed in Statuary Hall. Greenway served both in the World War and the Spanish-American War.

He was a noted mining engineer, and it is largely through his foresight and vision that the low grade ores of the desert country were developed; the great Ajo Mine made the outstand-

ing success that it is, and the beautiful camp of Ajo became a by-word of efficiency as well as beauty, and a model that all might be proud to follow.

Among those attending was Frank Hitchcock, former Postmaster General and now a publisher of Tucson.

Tributes at the ceremony of the unveiling were paid by Senators Ashurst and Hayden and Representative Douglas.

General Greenway's wife and young son, Jack, are residents of Arizona, Mrs. Greenway being one of the outstanding women of the West.