



NIWOT GAZETTE

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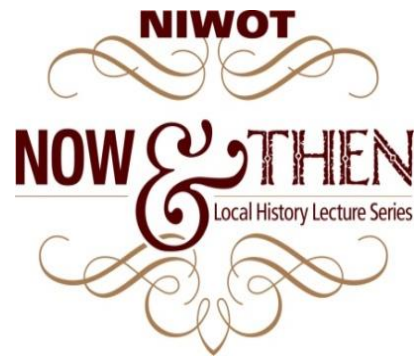
Be a part of Niwot's future by helping to preserve our past.

Announcing the topics for the upcoming **NOW&THEN Lecture Series**

Mark Your Calendars:

- **Lithophones** ~ Wednesday, October 9, 2019
- **Banjos** ~ Wednesday, October 23, 2019
- **Pies** ~ Wednesday, February 26, 2020
- **Ditches** ~ Wednesday, April 29, 2020

There will be details about the lectures & speakers coming soon.



7:00 PM, *Doors open at 6:30 PM for coffee and conversation*

Left Hand Grange Hall, 195 2nd Ave, at Franklin St intersection

General Admission: \$5.00, *No charge for members of the Niwot Historical Society*



Photos are from 4th of July 2018

The Fire House Museum will be open on the 4th of July from 10:30-Noon.



NOW&THEN Lecture Series



We were honored to host the "Dinosaurs of the Rocky Mountain West", presented by Dr. Joe Sertich, Curator of Dinosaurs at the Denver Nature and Science Museum.



NOTE:

Detailed information of the lecture topics will be posted on niwothistoricalsociety.org

The Niwot Historical Society Board of Directors, contact information, membership, donation, Niwot historic information and links to other regional historic organizations are on our website.

Recent Donations To NHS Archives, By Vivian Knaus, Director of NHS Archives

Jo Ann Sampson Bell recently donated historical items which include an album of photos and class rosters of the Niwot School eighth grade graduation classes from 1911 to 1969. Another album contains many photos of Niwot residents taken over the years. Several newspapers were donated which include the first issue of Niwot Weekly News dated April 19, 1912 (some items are shown below), The Niwot Tribune dated August 19, 1921, Colorado Heritage News dated June 1981, and Niwot/Gunbarrel Business dated Aug. 25-Sept. 7, 2000, along with various news clippings. We are very grateful for these donations to the NHS archives.

Among the photos donated is a copy of a 1907 photo by Ed Tangen, well known photographer of the time period. Written on the back of photo: "NiWot, Colo. - Baptism of United Brethren in Left Hand Creek 1907 by Ed Tangen. Bob Brown's slide." (Note: Photo is printed on Ilfochrome Classic photo paper. Originally known as Cibachrome when developed by Ciba Geigy in the 1960s, it was renamed Ilfochrome in 1992 after it was sold to International Paper.)



NIWOT WEEKLY NEWS

Volume One

Niwot, Boulder County, Colorado, April 19, 1912

Number One

Almost A Tornado

Last Saturday, Colorado was visited with the most destructive wind storm in years. The velocity of the wind has been estimated at between 50 and 85 miles an hour.

Much damage was done to the growing crops, reports from different parts of the state saying that seed had been blown out of the ground and sprouting plants had been entirely destroyed. The telephone and telegraph companies suffered heavily, the poles being down for miles in places. Telephone service in Niwot has been demoralized all week, many of the phones being completely out of commission.

The Colorado & Southern train service was hampered greatly by the wind. The early morning train south leaving Niwot at 7.45 was marooned in the cuts near Marshall

for hours on account of the sand drifts. All the trains were running late, the 5.42 train north Saturday evening being over three hours late. Conductor Jacobs of the C. & S. said that during his 14 years of service on this run, he had never before seen such a storm.

Denver suffered about \$100,000 damage from broken windows, demolished houses and fires. The Mitchell-Monarch mine superstructure, south of Boulder was entirely destroyed by fire early in the day. Reports from Loveland stated that the collapse of the building occupied by the State Mercantile Co. was expected momentarily. At Fort Collins and Greeley and the country north of there much damage to buildings and crops are reported.

About Niwot little damage was done. Several glass windows were blown in and a few outstanding

buildings were destroyed. Farmers say that in places the seed is entirely gone but with a good rain now the damage to the crops will not be very great. Some have already commenced drilling for spring wheat in the ground where the crops were most damaged.

Mail Wagon Wrecked

Rural route carrier C. K. Blanton was quite painfully though not seriously injured, and his mail wagon badly damaged, last Saturday, when the wagon was caught by the heavy wind and turned over. Mr. Blanton who had been standing on the step in an attempt to keep the wagon upright, jumped and fell to the ground spraining his back.

Before he had gone the first mile, Mr. Blanton realized that he would not be able to make the route and turned to the west hoping to circle

the first section and come back to town. He had gotten as far as the Knaus place when an extraordinary heavy blast of wind blew the wagon over into the 'embar. The horse was cut slightly on the wire. The wagon was badly broken up and damaged to quite an extent.

Mr. Blanton was able to return to town but would not venture another trial at serving the route that day. His injuries are recovering very nicely, although they are of such a nature that recovery must necessarily come slow. He has been making the trip over his route this week in an open buggy while the wagon is undergoing repairs.

Dr. George E. Smith went to Denver last week and packed his household goods and brought them to Niwot. Mrs. Smith accompanied him home.

NiWot Bee
General Merchandise Store

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Up early in the race,
Next Monday then just come to town,
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So now till then guess you'll have,
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Astounding prices on Lumber, Cement, and Implements to make room for the new goods to arrive.

The Cyclone and Wind storm has blown away the exorbitant prices and big profits usually made in NiWot. Our odds and ends of last summer's shoes in Ladie's oxfords 40 per cent. Discount. Our sunshade beets all we ever had. A call will convince you, we need the money

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