

**The Fountain Site.**  
 In regard to the fountain offered by the National Humane Alliance, the committee appointed to consider the matter reported that it had been in communication with President Ripley of the Santa Fe railroad, in regard to acquiring a suitable site and that he had generously offered to donate the land needed at the northeast corner of First street and Central avenue. This site is perhaps the best that can be had in the city; it is centrally located and the surrounding features are attractive, on the same block the new Santa Fe reading rooms will be erected and across the street is the Alvarado hotel with its beautiful lawn and buildings.

Tramsters from the mountains and regions from the east all pass at the point where the fountain site is located, and in no other spot would the fountain serve a more useful purpose. The Santa Fe has given enough land from the corner of its property to allow plenty of space on all sides of the fountain.

The Herman Lee Ensign fountain is offered by the National Humane Alliance, United Charities Building, New York, to any city conforming to its requirements in regard to maintenance and site. It is required that a site be provided which will admit of easy approach from all sides and that such site be in a business section of the city where there is a large passing traffic.

The fountain is an artistic monument and would be an ornament to any city. It is of Maine granite, polished and trimmed with bronze. It weighs in five pieces and the total weight is five tons. It is six feet, eight inches in height and the diameter of the large drinking bowl is six feet. The cost is 1,000. It is delivered free to the city.

It is due to the efforts and interest of H. W. D. Bryan, president of the New Mexico Humane alliance, that this splendid gift will be secured to the city. Mr. Bryan, some months ago began negotiating for the fountain upon his own responsibility and not before he had learned all the particulars of the subject to be presented to the city council. Needless to state the proposition was instantly looked upon with favor.

Last night the council expressed thanks to the National Humane Alliance in behalf of the city of Albuquerque and adopted the following resolutions:

**Resolutions**  
 Adopted by the City Council of the City of Albuquerque, N. M.

Whereas, the National Humane Alliance, through E. W. D. Bryan, president of the New Mexico Humane society, has offered to present to the city of Albuquerque, N. M., a granite drinking fountain, Herman Lee Ensign, founder.

And whereas, the committee appointed by the city council of the city of Albuquerque, N. M., composed of Aldermen G. P. Learnard, F. S. Heaven and G. W. Harrison to consider said offer, have reported that in their judgment such a fountain would not only be an ornament to the city, but of great benefit to the large number of animals who would use it, and that the most desirable place for such a fountain is on the northeast corner of First street and Central avenue, on account of the large traffic passing that point, especially freighters to settlements beyond the mountains.

And whereas, the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway company, through its president, Hon. E. F. Ripley, has kindly agreed to furnish the land necessary at the location named, for the fountain, so that it may be approached on all sides.

Now, therefore, he it resolved that the city of Albuquerque accepts with gratitude and thanks the very liberal offer of the National Humane Alliance, to present to the city such a fountain and it hereby agrees to all the conditions of said gift, namely that it will take the said fountain from the car when it arrives in the city, place it on a good foundation, at the locally named which is the best site in the city for such a purpose, where there is a large passing traffic, and where the fountain can be approached from all sides, make all needed water and sewer connections and will give all proper care for its maintenance and usefulness for the future.

The thanks of this city are hereby tendered to the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway company through its distinguished president, Hon. E. F. Ripley, for the liberal donation of a suitable site for the fountain.

It is further resolved that a copy of these resolutions properly certified to by the mayor of the city and attested by the city clerk be prepared and forwarded to The National Humane Alliance and to Hon. E. F. Ripley, president of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway company.

This is to certify that the above is a full, true and correct copy of a set of resolutions adopted unanimously by the city council of the city of Albuquerque, N. M., at a meeting held on the 1st day of July, 1907.

In witness whereof these presents are signed by the mayor of the said city and attested by the city clerk and the seal of the said city duly affixed, at Albuquerque, N. M., this 1st day of July, 1907.

Attest: FLANK MCKEE,  
 Mayor.  
 HARRY F. LEE, City Clerk.

# Albuquerque accepts fountain 1907

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