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Hagerman is situated in one of the best farming regions of New Mexico. A good place to live.

Hagerman—Where the most valuable mineral water in the Southwest flows from an artesian well in the city.

## PIPS MADE TO BUILD 100 MILE GAS LINE FROM LEA CO. TO EL PASO

Construction Contracts Call for Completion By May 1st, 1929 — Company Is Capitalized At \$8,500,000 Says Report.

NEW YORK.—Formation of the Pecos Natural Gas company to prospect and operate a 200 mile, 16 inch gas line from Lea county, New Mexico, to El Paso, Texas, was announced yesterday. The construction contracts call for completion of the gas line by May 1, 1929. The company will supply El Paso with gas, including Texas Cities Gas company, and industrial plants in El Paso and vicinity. Capitalization, in addition to \$8,500,000 mortgage sinking fund bonds, includes \$5,000,000 in one cent preferred \$100 par stock, \$600,000 will be outstanding and \$175,000 no par common stock of which \$92,500 will be outstanding.

## CHILDREN ARE BITTEN BY MAD DOG

Hagerman children were bitten by a rabid dog last Sunday, and under treatment for prevention of hydrophobia. H. C. Babb's children and Mr. Burrell's children were bitten with a dog belonging to the family when it bit both of them. Mr. Babb killed the dog and the head to Roswell for examination and it was pronounced to be infected with rabies. A great mad dog scare prevails now, many dogs have been killed and are inoculated against rabies.

## 100 FOR CARLSBAD CAVERN

An appropriation of \$100,000 for Carlsbad caverns has recently been made by congress, according to reports from Washington. This appropriation is practically double the amount at first specified. Congressman John Morrow was largely instrumental in securing the large appropriation.

## COMING LEGISLATURE FACING A DEFICIT

The solution of New Mexico's tax problems with a view of providing sufficient funds for the needs of the state and its institutions is the subject of an actual deficit estimated at around \$200,000 and \$100,000 monies lost by the state deficit banks amounting to \$125,000 will likely be the first consideration of the new legislature. At least in the opinion of students of the situation at the state house is very little, if anything, that the legislature can do in the way of special legislation until some solution has been found for the situation. When the matter of finances comes before the legislature, in the opinion of F. Asplund, of the Taxpayers' association, the first and primary objective will be to determine the extent of the state's actual deficit. Mr. Asplund is distinguished from a temporary deficit incurred by slow tax collections, will be represented in a degree by the percentage of uncollected taxes which it is impossible to realize upon. The actual deficit, he said, will be represented by failures to collect taxes and by fleeing during past administration. The tax levy in the state, he pointed out, for the past two years has been up to the statutory limit, but the state levy has been maintained at a low level over a period of time to bring in the necessary revenue in the face of diminishing values. The \$125,000 represented the estimated total loss to the state on monies which were on deposit in banks which failed during the depression of several years ago. To determine the cash balance of the state will be necessary for the legislature to arrange to replace these monies lost in closed banks in order that the various state funds effectually may be restored to a proper balance.

## FORMER HAGERMAN CITIZEN KILLED IN CALIFORNIA

News has reached here that Sam Sims, formerly of this place, but recently of San Diego, Calif., was killed in a car accident in Los Angeles last week. Mr. Sims is well remembered by old-timers here, having spent a score or more years in and around Hagerman. About twelve years ago Mr. Sims moved to San Diego, where he has since resided. At the time of his death he was visiting a daughter in Los Angeles.

## NEW BOLLIE MACHINE IS RECENTLY INSTALLED AT THE FARMERS GIN

The Farmers Gin Co., of this place has just installed a new Hardwick-Etter Hull Extractor at their gin plant in this city, which is designed to turn out a better grade of staple than that turned out by ordinary bollie machines. The cotton goes through one set of machinery that crushes the boll; then through others that separate the hulls from the lint, after which it goes through regular gin machinery, and then comes out looking as good as picked cotton. If this machine is the success it looks like it is, it will make the people of the community many dollars in the increase of price on cotton pulled in the boll.

Rev. C. C. Hill, of Roswell, filled his regular appointment at the Christian church, this city Sunday morning. His announcement was accidentally omitted from the columns of The Messenger, and for this reason, he says, his crowd was not as large as it should have been.

## AT THE CHURCHES

### PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The subject for the morning service next Sunday will be, "The Secret of Christmas Joy." In the evening it will be "The Kingdom is Coming, O Tell Ye The Story." These are both Christmas themes the morning one having to do with the Bethlehem Song of the Angels and the evening with the "Hosannah to the Son of David." The songs at all of the services will be Christmas songs. The Sunday school endeavor will be held at the usual hours. Preparations are being made for a Christmas program Sunday evening December 23 and will be in charge of the Sunday school.

### THE COTTON MARKET

The cotton market has shown a slightly upward trend since the last government report, published Saturday, and is now on an approximate level with the market previous to the 8th. The following is the opening and closing of the New York market, based on January delivery.

### 16 OIL LEASES SOLD BY STATE

SANTA FE.—Sixteen oil leases were sold at the monthly auction at State Land Commissioner B. F. Pankey's office, Monday, out of 33 tracts put up for sale. The highest price bid was \$3.51 an acre for tract No. 10, embracing 249.92 acres, by the Magnolia Petroleum Co., Dallas, Texas. There were six other bidders for the lease.

### M. STEVENSON ROUNDS UP GAME LAW VIOLATORS

M. Stevenson, deputy game warden, was in town Monday and caused three arrests to be made for violations of the State Game and Fish laws. These arrests were for obtaining resident licenses when the applicants were not at that time bona fide residents. In one case the defendant pleaded guilty and paid a fine of \$100; another proved that he had been in the state six months at the time of procuring the license, and the third case was postponed until Dec. 21 that Stevenson might procure the services of the district attorney to prosecute it.

John Campbell was in Artesia Thursday night.

Arthur Robinson was a Roswell visitor Tuesday.

Rev. Stanley Sigler was a Hagerman visitor Wednesday.

## DEXTER NEWS

Joe Winkler was in Roswell Tuesday.

Mrs. Sam Bible was on the sick list last week.

Mrs. Roy Bailey and Miss Shields were in Roswell Saturday.

F. D. Melhop was a business visitor to Roswell last Thursday.

Mrs. Everett Lattimer, of Dexter, spent Tuesday evening in Hagerman.

J. J. McCullough spent Monday afternoon in Roswell attending to business affairs.

Mr. Shinnon, of Lake Arthur, visited his daughter, Mrs. Porter, at this place recently.

Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Harris and Mrs. Glass were in Roswell Saturday shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Stone and family were in Roswell Saturday to see Santa Claus.

Minnie Campbell and Clara Jackson spent Sunday afternoon in Roswell with Claris Clemmons.

A large crowd of Dexter people went to Roswell Saturday to see the arrival of Santa Claus.

Mrs. Bishop Armour left on the Monday afternoon train for a visit with her mother in Tennessee.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Durand and little daughter, Earline, went to Roswell Saturday to see Santa Claus.

Bell Babo and family, of Los Angeles, California, visited in the A. J. Winkler home Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Southard and little daughter, Ima Jean, visited Mr. and Mrs. P. P. Clark over the weekend.

Mrs. C. R. Beck, Joe Winkler and Jim Coffell were in Artesia Tuesday shopping and visiting friends.

Mrs. Coleman, who has been suffering with appendicitis the past week, went to Roswell Monday for an operation.

Mr. Duncan, who has been employed by the Phillips Grocery, moved with his family to Wichita Falls, Texas, Tuesday.

Charley Rain's hay barn burned down about 3 o'clock Monday. The cause of the fire is unknown. The loss is partially covered by insurance.

Mrs. Clyde Barnes, Mrs. Raymond Anderson and Mrs. Edmund McKinty, of Hagerman motored to Roswell Monday afternoon on business.

### GOOD RAIN TUESDAY NIGHT

We don't know how much rain fell Tuesday night, but it evidently must have been a whopper from the amount of mud it made.

It began thundering and lightning about eight o'clock, and some time later a big rain fell. The rain was followed by colder weather, and we will be lucky to escape a snowstorm.

Ruth Hughes was in Roswell Tuesday.

Elder McGuffin, of Roswell, preached at the Church of Christ at this place Sunday morning.

## DOLLS GIVEN AWAY

Girls, Here's Your Chance to Get A Nice Doll For Xmas.

From now until Saturday, December 22, we will give to each girl bringing to this office three new, paid in advance subscriptions.

### ONE 24 INCH DRESSED DOLL FREE

This is a doll that usually sells for \$3.00, and is worth working for. Get busy girls, and win one of these nice dolls.

Or, if you will get four of our old subscribers to renew their subscriptions we will give you one of these beautiful dolls. Bring your money for your subscriptions, both new and renewals to this office and we will give you the doll.

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## HAGERMANITES MAKE NORMAL TEAM

Messrs. Ed Davis, Carls Holden, Arvil Whittenton, and Wilmer Lyle, local boys, have been admitted to the 1928-29 basket ball squad of the New Mexico Teachers college.

Other young people registered at the college are Jack and Miss Ruby West.

Messrs. Hal Bogle and Shaw, of Dexter, were business visitors to Hagerman Saturday.

## WALKER IS GRANTED A CHANGE OF VENUE TO CURRY COUNTY FRIDAY

After the examination of the last man of a special venire summoned as jurors last week in the case of the state of New Mexico vs. B. L. Walker who was charged with first degree murder in connection with the killing of W. T. Mosley last October 3rd, Judge Richardson granted a change of venue Friday last to Clovis, Curry county. The case will come up early in February, 1929.

Deputy Sheriff J. B. Coats and Frank Young made affidavits to the effect that they believed it would be impossible to secure a fair and impartial jury for trial of the case in Roswell, and District Attorney J. G. Osborn and James Stagner stated that they had made considerable inquiry and had found that there was widespread knowledge of the case in Chaves county.

After signing the order for a change of venue Friday, Judge Richardson adjourned court until Monday of this week, when the remainder of the criminal docket will be disposed of.

## HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

Tuesday morning, there was not a regular chapel program but Supt. White talked to the High school for a while on the subject, "You and Your Problems." He said that first there was the points of the compass to be taken into consideration, and that they pointed to usefulness or pleasure. In the points of usefulness there were four occupations that might be chosen, professional, business, technical and agricultural, these must be decided upon intelligently with regard to physical as well as mental ability. This is where the training in high school comes in, for the success in life depends on the foundation and that must be started now, instead of waiting until the pupil goes to college, and then begins to prepare to be a doctor, a lawyer, or a technician. He must begin by studying the subjects that he will need later on, and really mastering the fundamentals, or his foundation will be weak, and no matter how much he tries, he will never be able to do work that he might have done if he had begun early in life.

M. White said that there are numberless opportunities in the professions. There is the ministry, and religious service, that is greatly in need of workers, but the one who enters this profession must expect to work hard and receive very little recompense. He must have the gift of public speaking, be able to write clearly, and remember well. He also mentioned the profession of law; he said that this was a very honorable profession, and that it was a profession that paid well—provided the lawyer was a good one. But it too, needs broad knowledge; in addition to the prerequisites mentioned in the ministry, the one who would succeed in law, must have a knowledge of Latin; he must be able to assemble facts quickly, and logically. Supt. White said not to let any one fool you into thinking just because you had a long sharp nose that you will make a successful doctor, but that you must have thorough training.

### A Word On Promptness

Attendance has been better this month than it was the two previous months. No child can do his best work when he is out of school a number of days in the month, and this is being proved by the new system that is being inaugurated. Tardiness is penalized, too, and the children have found it to be to their gain to be on time. Tardiness is a bad habit, and in school is one of the best places to overcome it. If a child gets into the habit of being prompt, he will do better work, and when his school life is ended, he will be better qualified for a job and be more certain of keeping one after he gets it. The employer likes his employees to be dependable, and if they are supposed to be there at a

## EXPLOSION WRECKS THE CASINGHEAD PLANT OF PHILLIPS PET. CO. TODAY

Explosion Makes A Total Wreck Of Engine Room—Caused When High Re-compressor Blows Up—Damage \$15,000.

Two employees of the Phillips Petroleum Co., casing head plant were severely burned and the engine room at the plant totally wrecked in an explosion, which occurred about 8:30 this morning. Details as to the cause of the explosion are not fully known as this is written, however, officials are investigating.

The injured employees are A. H. Smith, about 35 years of age, plant chemist, who sustained severe burns on one hand and about his head and shoulders. A. T. Crosby, age about 38, plant engineer, was burned about the face and shoulders and on both hands. Mr. Crosby was rushed to town and was given medical aid at the Hardwick annex. It was said Mr. Crosby came out of the engine room his clothing afire including his cap. He was able to pull off his burning clothing and walk to his home near the plant. Mr. Smith's injuries, however, proved more serious and he had to be carried from the wrecked room.

The explosion occurred in the engine room when the recompressor blew up and burned out all other engines. The estimated damage is placed at \$15,000, although it may run higher when the official check up is made.

—Artesia Advocate

## NEW BUSINESS HERE

The Jacobson Coffee Co., has opened for business in the building formerly occupied by Wilson & Davis as a garage. The new outfit will furnish fresh coffee, teas and spices of all kinds to the people of the valley. Routes will be established throughout the rural sections and coffee, tea, etc., will be delivered fresh to the consumer.

## LEA COUNTY MAY GET TWO RAILROADS SOON

SANTA FE.—Lea county, according to present indications will have two railroads instead of one in which to initiate itself into railroad transportation.

A short time ago an application was filed with the interstate commerce commission by the A. T. & S. F. to build a road from Seagraves, Texas to Lovington, and yesterday the Texas-New Mexico railway company of Texas filed a foreigner's statement with the state corporation commission to do business in New Mexico. It announced its intention to build from the Texas and Pacific at a point near Monahans, Texas, a distance of 105 miles.

The Texas-New Mexico company has authorized capital stock of \$500,000 of which \$80,000 has been issued. With the exception of a short distance outside of Lovington, the two railroads would not be parallel, Max Fernandez said, and for that reason he believes the interstate commerce commission will grant both requests.

## FLU GENERAL OVER STATE BUT IS OF A MILD FORM

Reports from the State Health Department the first of the week were to the effect that influenza had reached epidemic proportions in some of the northern counties of the state. The disease is general throughout New Mexico, but is a mild form. There have been no deaths from influenza, says an early report.

## STATE OFFICIALS DUCK HUNT

Governor R. C. Dillon, of Santa Fe, accompanied by Ed Safford also of Santa Fe, state republican chairman and W. H. Kane, editor of the Las Vegas Optic, spent several days last week on the Cottonwood duck hunting.

## MAY PLANT RICE

Owing to the fact that ducks are fewer in numbers than usual, Carlsbad hunters are planning to plant wild rice in some of the streams, says the Current-Argus. A supply of rice has been ordered and will arrive in a week or so.

certain time, he likes to feel that they will not disappoint him.

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## WHAT ARE YOU WORTH TO YOUR COMMUNITY?

In the few days yet remaining of 1928 it would be well for each of us to examine ourselves and see just what we are worth to the community in which we live—and resolve to be worth more in 1929 than we have in the past year.

If you were called from the stage of action today—would you be only a "dead man," or would you be a good citizen gone to his reward?

Are you a consistent booster for the town, or are you a chump in the wheels of progress?

Do you strive for the betterment of your town and community, or do you think of only your own selfish interests?

Think of these things—and if you are not doing your full duty as a citizen—then, with the new year, resolve to be one who will be sadly missed when death calls you from our midst.

This is plain talk—but we got our idea from the Bible. Once upon a time we attended church, and heard the preacher read from the Holy Writ something like the following: "If we would judge ourselves, we would not be judged." We may have missed a portion of his reading by being asleep—but that passage has stayed with us. If we will judge ourselves as citizens, we will boost and build our town—and not be judged by others as a "dead community."

## A WISE ADVERTISER

One of our advertisers said to us the other day, "I realize that one advertisement in your paper will not produce abundant results, but the name of my firm, with a statement of the goods I sell appearing regularly will make people think of us when they want anything in our line."

If more business men realized this truth, there would be less "cussing" about hard times, poor business and so on.

You wouldn't pour one charge of gasoline into one cylinder of your car and expect the whole engine to keep running smoothly would you? Then why expect an occasional advertisement to keep your whole business running along smoothly? Advertising is to business what gasoline is to the car.

An ad is "store news" and so long as a business house has something to sell it has something to advertise.

Keep advertising and the business will keep coming your way.

## STATE PUBLICITY

The State Publicity Association, launched at Santa Fe last week enters a fertile field. The value of the Association is not questioned by the press of the state. The biggest problem connected with the organization is the proper method of financing a state wide undertaking.

Three methods of financing the work has been suggested, one is by state taxation, one by gasoline tax and the third by donations from private individuals. The first two methods is out of the question altogether, it appears to the writer. Even though publicity is a function of the state, we have almost reached the limit of taxation, according to those who have given the subject some thought.

This then would leave the method of private donation as the only alternative. Leaving off high salaried officers and high office expenses at the inception of the association is the only way to insure its early success.

## ABOUT GAS

Mayor Miller tells us that the statement was recently published that five miles of gas mains would be laid in Hagerman, and we would be enjoying gas before many more moons—but that he does not know from what source this information came, as the city commission has signed no franchise and is not likely to sign one until we get a cheaper rate than has yet been offered.

To date we have heard of no cheaper rate being offered, and we believe the city board will hold out for the same rate as that given other cities in the valley before granting a franchise.

Will the Yuletide season bring to you "Peace on earth and good will to men;" or will you be wondering how the heck you will pay for all the presents you have to buy?

Some changes threaten to take place among our business men January first. Some are threatening to leave; some will change location and some will retire.

"Solons to Postpone Action on Dam Measure," reads a headline in the daily paper—but they don't say what damn measure action is to be postponed on.

The small town merchant is one who thinks his customers remember every item he carries in stock.

## TRAFFIC GROWS AND GROWS

by R. W. Bennett

In setting one's self for an hour's light reading one ordinarily does not pick up the World almanac or a report of the congressional committee on taxation. Yet, figures in certain combinations and viewed from certain angles, particularly from the standpoint of traffic and transportation form an intensely interesting subject and present a definite problem for immediate solution. For traffic is growing more rapidly than highways are being improved.

In taking the annual traffic census this year, the Highway department selected the week of September 30th to October 6th, almost one month later than the 1927 count. The reason for this was threefold: First, to avoid, if possible the wet weather encountered during August and September counts in 1926 and 1927; Second, to obtain an average count rather than a high count, such as would ordinarily be obtained in August and September which are "peak" months from the standpoint of traffic; and third, a corollary of the second reason, to obtain the ratio of foreign traffic to local traffic during an average period rather than during a "peak" period. The results of the census were in the main satisfactory and upheld observations and opinions on previous counts.

One hundred and fifty separate counts were taken by ninety enumerators. The Federal highway system and principal state roads were covered in the week's count. A table containing the details of the census at most of the stations accompanies this resume.

Some generalities in regard to the census are of interest: Notwithstanding the fact that the counting was done nearly a month later than last year, a substantial increase is noted. Traffic as a whole increased 22% over 1927. Local travel increased 29% and foreign travel 9%. The percentage of foreign cars dropped from 35% to 32.2% for the reason that the count was taken in an average rather than "peak" season.

This holding of the tourist traffic volume is significant—it means that one third of the travel over New Mexico roads throughout the year is foreign traffic. It means that the tourists' gasoline amounted to \$600,000 this year—half of the annual maintenance costs.

From an inspection of several stations selected at random, it would appear that motor vehicular travel is heaviest over the week end and that the traffic curve for the week is at its lowest point at mid-week. In order of traffic volume the days of week are: 1, Sunday, 2, Saturday, 3, Tuesday, 4 and 5, Friday and Monday—about equal, 6, Thursday, and 7, Wednesday—the lightest of all.

Traffic is heavier in the afternoon than in the morning. This is more particularly true on Saturday and Sunday. The hours between 5 and 6, between 4 and 5 and between 6 and 7 p. m. are the "peak" hours. The hour of 8 to 9 a. m. gets the heaviest traffic among morning hours. Traffic reaches a steady basis during the mid-day hours. The traffic curve shows a rather flat trace till mid-afternoon, a sharp increase till 7 or 8 p. m. and a declining curve from then till midnight again. Tourists travel at earlier and at later hours than home folks. Relatively speaking, the percentage of foreign cars recorded was greater during the morning hours prior to 8 o'clock and in the evening hours after 8 o'clock. This does not mean a heavier traffic volume during these hours—just more tourists in proportion to local travelers.

Passenger cars constitute the bulk of motor vehicular travel—83% of the whole. Naturally, the percentage of foreign cars of this class is greater than the foreign car percentage of the entire count, being 34.5% against 32.2%.

Bus traffic as a whole constitutes but 1% of the enumeration; however, at certain stations, bus traffic is more of a problem. For example, on the Lamy road south of Pankey's Gate buses form 13% of the traffic. On U. S. 85 near the same location buses represent 4% of the travel on this transcontinental highway.

Truck traffic is more imposing. All trucks form 11% of the count; light trucks—one and two ton—constitute 8% of the volume; heavy trucks—over two ton—make up over 3%. Between Gallup and Gamberico, trucks formed 22%, nearly one-fourth of the entire count, 12% being light trucks and 10% heavy trucks. This shows the necessity of the paving placed between these cities. West of Silver City, the truck traffic is even heavier, being 28% of the total volume, about equally divided as to light and heavy.

Horses are still encountered on the highways. In terms of proportion, horses and horse drawn vehicles are to motor cars as 1 is to 24.

One thing of particular interest is noted in comparing the counts of 1927 and 1928: While travel has increased in a normal way on the main arteries of travel, traffic on several secondary roads took enormous jumps. The improvement of secondary state roads, under the greatly increased program of state aid construction, has doubled and tripled the volume of traffic on some of these highways. This shows that the auto is all warmed up and raring to go wherever you build a road.

Needle grass may hurt but can't ruin the farmer who diversifies. One farmer in the Cottonwood section says that needle grass made a great inroad on his cotton patch, but he has some fat hogs, turnip greens and a few good milk cows to fall back on.

One democratic exchange sounds an optimistic note over Hoover's visit to South America and is expecting the president elect to reduce the price of Christmas nuts.

Wouldn't it be a joke if, when the presidential electors meet next month to elect a president, they should select someone else besides Mr. Hoover?

"A man is judged by the company he keeps." If you keep company with poorly printed stationery—you will be judged accordingly.

This is the season of the year for spareribs and sausage. But these animals are only to be found in the butcher shops these days.

Send your absent relatives and friends The Messenger for a Christmas present—then they'll believe there is a Santa Claus.

The Amarillo News remarks that the small town is the community which has not appointed a committee to build an airport.

Well, the windwork of the railroad to Lovington is about completed anyhow.

## HOW

### MICROSCOPE IS UTILIZED IN SOUND MEASUREMENT—

It is certainly odd that the microscope is better than the ear for measuring some sounds, but this is true. In determining the pitch of very high notes, it has been found that the ear cannot be depended on, and more than one investigator has therefore turned to the microscope for aid.

Sound is a phenomenon of vibration, and the pitch of any musical note can be determined if the sound wave corresponding to it is in any manner rendered measurable.

One authority has solved the problem in this way: He covers a plate with a thin layer of a mixture of olive oil and stearine, the surface slightly ridged by rubbing it delicately with the finger. To a high-pitched tuning-fork a short hair is attached and a similar hair is fastened to another vibrating body, such as a rod, whose pitch is known. The ends of these hairs trail across the prepared plate as it is passed rapidly over them, and thus is marked upon its surface a double series of wave lines corresponding to the periods of vibration of the fork and the rod. The microscope is then called into action in order to compare the length and depth of the waves, and thus determine the musical pitch of the vibrating fork, with an accuracy not attainable by the ear alone.

An accident in which a man's false teeth cut out his tonsils occurred on Whidby Island last Thursday, when a cable which was stretched across the road to the ferry struck the driver of the milk truck across the mouth, forcing his upper plate into his throat. The cable knocked the man off the seat, took the top off the truck and when the doctor arrived it was found that the man's false teeth had cut his tonsils out, a fine operation.—Anacortes (Wash.) American.

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Artesia Station at Cunningham's Barber Shop  
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## SUNSET STAGE LINES

"The Quickest Way"

## SECOND INAUGURATION GOVERNOR DILLON BREAK PRECEDENT

SANTA FE, Dec. 11.—Precedent broken at the second inauguration of Governor R. C. Dillon on New Year's day.

Justice H. F. Bickley of the state supreme court, who becomes Chief Justice January 1, may administer oath to all state officials at the time that the governor is sworn. Heretofore the various minor officials have been sworn privately by various magistrates at some time during the day.

Chief Justice Bickley, called "The Chief of the Mohicans" will be conspicuous on inauguration day as the only democratic official in the house. He is expected to get his hand from the large number of operators among Santa Fe's guests on New Year's. The inaugural is Mexico's, one elaborate state occasion when politics are discarded and people of all parties join in a New Mexico celebration. Arthur Seligman, veteran democratic chairman of the inaugural arrangements, has been staging republican and democratic inaugurations for twenty years.

### THEN HE DUCKED

The chairman of the gas company making a popular address. "Think of the good the gas company has done," he cried. "If I permitted a pun, I would say, the words of the immortal poet, 'The Light Brigade.'"

"Oh, what a charge they are!"—Ex.

### Hand-Crocheted 'Bow-Wow'



Ever see anything more than this fluffy white puppy? Little dog, which is crocheted of zephyr, has become the popular of the hour, where women are fancywork for Christmas. Fun part is, these adorable puppies are acceptable gifts to grown-ups they do to infants and older children. While it is a toy-ideal for the it is also amusingly decorative on a cushion in some strategic in the room.

### MAKE SAFETY AN ALL YEAR ROUND MEASURE BY ENFORCING LAW

SILVER CITY, Dec. 6.—The war on speeders and reckless drivers goes on merrily in Judge Donifun's court. Thirty days is considered a light sentence while thirty dollars is mere chicken feed.

Recently in an interview the judge stated that he was heartily in favor of giving the maximum sentence to persons abusing road privileges. The Judge said the endangering of his wife's life by reckless drivers on several occasions had opened his eyes to the need of more stringent enforcement of the law to make the highways of the state safe.

In a conference with highway department representatives, the judge outlined what was being done in Grant county to make highway safety something more than a slogan. A salaried motorcycle patrolman has been a very successful move in curbing reckless driving and speeding, he said.

The judge is strongly against the practice in some localities of making a patrolman's income dependent on his fees from arrests. Too often arrests are made for infractions of the law in letter and not spirit, when the fee system is used. The judge cited as an example an arrest for parking in a loading zone. The judge holds that where the violation of an ordinance is made, particularly on a first offense and not an aggravated case, the offender should not be brought into court at all. A courteous warning sufficient.

### SCAT

A Mexican and an American who worked on the night shift of a Kansas salt plant ate their midnight lunch together. On several occasions the Mexican had rabbit meat in his pail, and he shared his supply with his comrade.

"Where do you get rabbits, Jose?" the American asked one night. "I can't find any."

"My wife, she get 'um," Jose replied. "She said ever' night they come 'round house and make noise. She shoot 'em."

"Noise? Rabbits don't make noise."

"Sure," Jose asserted positively. "Go meow, meow."

A large building was under construction in a neighboring city. Extra help was needed. A feeble-minded man was hired; he could at least push a wheelbarrow. Some forty men were lined up to carry bricks to the masons. The foreman noticed as the feeble-minded man passed that his wheelbarrow was turned upside down.

"Why don't you turn your wheelbarrow right side up?" he asked.

"Oh, every time I do they always fill it with bricks," was the answer.

"Do you think that plastic surgery would improve my features?"

"No."

"Then what would you suggest?"

"Blasting."

If you have a house or room for rent, try a Messenger want ad.

### DEPARTMENT OF THE INTER- IOR UNITED STATES LAND OFF- ICE, LAS CRUCES, N. M., NOV. 23, 1928.

Notice is hereby given that the State of New Mexico has filed in this office Indemnity School Selection List 9297, Serial No. 038621, for the following land:

NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. 31; SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. 34, T. 19S., R. 20E., N. M. P. M. E $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. 10; SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. 15; NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. 21; SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. 34; S $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. 22, T. 20S., R. 20E., N. M. P. M. SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. 9; SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , & SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. 15; NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. 18, and NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. 29. T. 20 S., R. 21E., N. M. P. M.

The purpose of this notice is to

allow all persons claiming the land adversely, or desiring to show it to be mineral in character, an opportunity to file their objections to the allowance of the selection.

V. B. MAY,  
Register.

Under the fee system, a patrolman would make an arrest in this case because of the personal gain to himself in so doing. Public confidence is thus rapidly lost.

"When the bench of the state makes it a practice to 'bear down' on these criminally negligent drivers," said the judge. "I believe that the highways of this state will be safe for anyone's wife to drive on them."

Messenger Want Ads pay.

## CHRISTMAS CANDY

Good, wholesome candy is very essential at Christmas time. Come here for your candies. Let us supply you with your Christmas Candy.

Light Lunches every day except Sunday  
Try one when in Roswell

## KIPLING'S

Roswell, N. M.

# PUBLIC SALE!

I WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER ON

## Wednesday, Dec. 19th

One mile south and five miles west of Lake Arthur, eleven miles north and two miles west from Artesia on the C. N. Moore Farm.

SALE STARTS AT 10:00 A. M.—LUNCH TO BE SERVED ON GROUNDS

BY METHODIST LADIES OF LAKE ARTHUR

### Livestock

- 1 Black Mare, 9 yrs old, wt 1500 colt by side
- 1 Black Mare, 6 yrs old, wt 1500
- 1 Black Mare, 7 yrs old, wt 1750 in foal
- 1 Gray Mare, 9 yrs old, wt 1500, in foal
- 1 Gray Mare, 8 yrs old, wt 1450, in foal
- 1 Gray Filley, 11 months old, wt 1100
- 1 Gray Filley, 10 months old, wt 900
- 1 Brown Horse Colt, 11 months old, wt 1000
- 1 Brown Saddle Mare, 3 yrs old, wt 800
- 1 Brown Saddle Horse, 6 yrs old, wt 900
- 1 Brown Jersey Cow, 7 yrs old, giving 4 gallons milk
- 1 Brown Jersey Cow, 4 yrs old, pure bred, giving 4½ gallons
- 1 Yellow Jersey, 3 yrs old, giving 4 gallons milk
- 1 Yellow Jersey Cow, 4 yrs old, giving four gallons
- 1 Brindle Jersey Cow, 6 yrs old, giving 5 gallons
- 1 Holstein-Jersey Cow, 8 yrs old, giving 5 gallons
- 1 Holstein Cow, 6 yrs old, giving 5 gallons

- 3 Jersey Heifers, 14 months old, bred
- 1 Jersey Steer, 14 month old
- 1 Jersey Bull, 6 months old
- 1 Holstein Heifer, 3 months old
- 2 Jersey Steer Calves, 3 mo old
- 2 Jersey Steer Calves, 7 mo old
- 1 Jersey Bull, 2 yrs old, good one

### Implements

- 1 Ann Arbor "20" Hay Bailer, equipped with an 8-horse power Aushman engine in good shape
- 1 5-Foot McCormick Mower, big six
- 2 5-Foot McCormick Mowers, Big Four
- 2 10-Foot McCormick Sulky Rakes
- 2 4-Shovel Cultivators
- 1 6 Shovel Cultivator
- 1 2 Section Harrow
- 1 Spring Tooth Harrow
- 1 14-in Walking Plow
- 1 Buck Rake
- 1 Single Row Lister Planter
- 1 Wood Ditcher V
- 1 120lb Anvil
- 1 Forge
- 1 4-Row Cotton Sprayer
- 1 Plow Truck
- 1 3¼ inch Wagon, Cotton Fme
- 1 3¼-in Wagon with Hay Rack
- 3 Sets Leather Harness, complete, in good condition

- 1 Set Chain Harness
- 1 Little Jap Cultivator, 6 Shovel
- 1 Disc Harrow
- 1 Grind Rock
- Hoes, Pitch Forks, Shovels, Post Hole Diggers and other articles too numerous to mention

### Household Goods

- 1 Edison Phonograph
- 1 Iron Bed with Springs
- 1 Davenport
- 2 Wash Stands
- 2 9x12 Rugs
- 1 Atlas Milk Pan, good one
- 1 Child's Bed
- 1 Rocker Chair
- 1 Good Dining Table
- 2 Kitchen Tables
- 1 Good Kitchen Cabinet
- 1 De Laval Separator, No. 5
- 1 Sausage Mill
- 1 3-Gallon Crock Churn
- 1 Gallon Daisy Churn
- 1 Aluminum Roaster
- 1 Refrigerator, 100 lb capacity
- 1 Book Stand
- 1 ½ Gallon Ice Cream Freezer

### Miscellaneous

- 50 Full Blood White Leghorn Hens
- About 500 Bales of Good Feed
- About 5 Tons of Bright Maize Heads
- 7 Bronze Turkey Hens & 1 Tom

TERMS OF SALE:—All items under \$10.00 will be cash and items above \$10.00 will give six months time with approved security or will allow 5 per cent discount for cash at the time the sale is made.

## D. A. BRADLEY, Owner

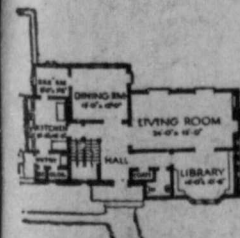
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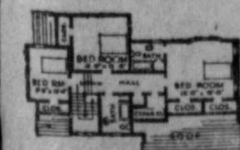
### This Home Won First Prize in the West Coast Woods Architectural Competition

THIS attractive and practical home design won the \$2,000.00 first prize for Otho McCrackin, of Hutchinson, Kansas, in the recent nation-wide architectural competition sponsored by Washington Chapter of the American Institute of Architects and offered by the West Coast Lumber Bureau.

Two hundred home designers entered this competition, and cooperating with the lumbermen of the Pacific Northwest, created a series of original and beautiful home designs—to be built with the four "Big Tree" woods of the Douglas Fir region:



FIRST-FLOOR-PLAN



SECOND-FLOOR-PLAN

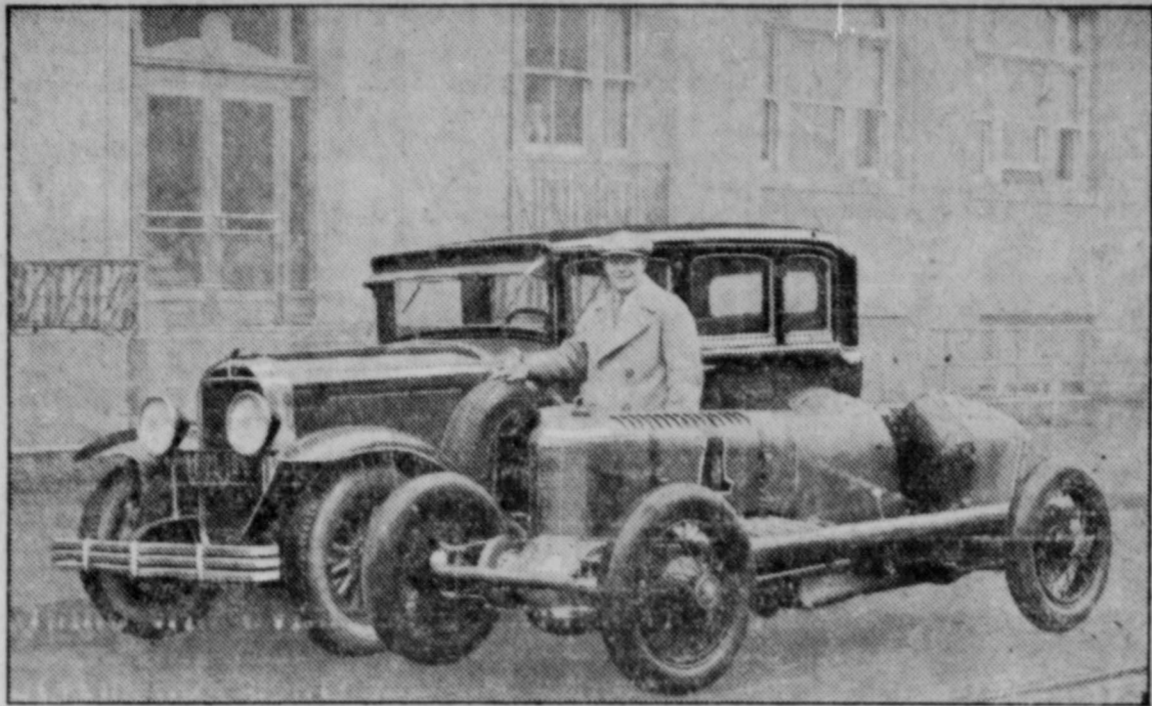
Douglas Fir  
West Coast Hemlock  
Western Red Cedar  
Sitka Spruce

We will be glad to have you call at our office for copy of booklet, "Prize Homes of West Coast Woods," with architects' sketches and construction suggestions for this and eleven other prize winning designs—also booklet describing the above four woods.

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"Home Building Service"

## Speed King Picks Buick



Phil "Red" Shafer, for sixteen years one of the country's best known race drivers and the holder of many important records, pictured in front of the Administration building of the Buick Motor Co. at Flint, Mich., with his Silver Anniversary Buick sedan and his Miller Special racer, capable of a speed of 140 miles an hour. Both are valve-in-head motors.

## LIVESTOCK COMMENTS FOR DECEMBER FIRST

State Summary—Much rain and snow fell over the state in November. Many northern ranges covered with snow, which has caused some shrinkage in livestock. Southern ranges show many spots of green. Some feeding necessary at high altitudes, but no losses from exposure reported to date. While many stockmen report shortage of feed, they seem to think that with their herds reduced, they will be able to get by, unless the weather is unusually severe. The demand for both cattle and sheep has declined, and the price has dropped some during the month.

The sheep shipments for October are reported at 208,000 head, compared with 463,000 for October 1927; 362,000 for 1926; and an average of 297,000 for 1920-1926. The October cattle shipments were 157,000. This is the highest monthly movement ever recorded from the state, except for November 1927, which amounted to 198,000 head.

Northcentral—Dawson: Hay and feed supply short. Raton: 15 to 18 inches of snow. Hay scarce and high. Stock will suffer in places. Demand for cattle and sheep good. Rosa: Grass short; brush very good. Water holes filled. Espanola: Hay and feed short. Good demand for cattle and sheep. Most stock shipped.

Northeast—Roy: Ranges generally short. Mesa covered with snow for two weeks. Hay and feed short. Cattle demand slowing up. Restocking normal, but higher grades of cattle being used. Considerable breeding stock moved. Ocate: Snow 24 inches and badly drifted. Feeding necessary, and stacks small. Outlook poor if winter is severe. Wagon Mound: 10 inches snow badly drifted. No loss to date. Feeding necessary, and feed scarce here. Pasamonte: About 10 inches of snow, melting fast. No hay. Feeding cake. No demand for stock. Restocking scattered. Folsom: Range poor. Hay short. 14 inches of snow. Stock in good flesh.

Westcentral—Datil: Hay scarce and high. No demand for cattle now. Aragon: Hay and feed short. Range fair. No restocking. Beaverhead: Condition cattle fair in view of dry weather. Have 25% less cattle that will winter about as usual. Black Rock: Range poor. Some hay and feed; prices high. Good demand for sheep. Tendency to restock. Gallup: Demand for cattle and sheep weakened. Feed supply poor, and tendency to reduce herds. San Marcial: Range very poor. Cattle off \$10 per head. Cattle going into winter in good shape. Magdalena: Range short from drouth, and cattle movement heavy west of here. Lambs and wool light. Lambing 60% due to cold and storms at lambing. Bulk of wool sold 25c-30c. San Fidel: No demand for cattle. Lots of moisture lately.

Central—Bernalillo: Range fair. Some poor ranges west of here. Water scarce. Cattle demand slackened. Sheep and lambs sold and delivered.

Eastcentral—Melrose: Fewer cattle than last year. No restocking. Grady: Ranges good. Increased wheat acreage looking good. Will have wheat pasture shortly. Local demand for dairy cattle and sheep. Ft. Sumner: Ranges good. Feed supply normal. La Lande: Range good. All classes of cattle in demand. Buchanan: Grass looks fine. Recent rains may have damaged it some. Hay high. Demand for cattle and sheep. Look for cattle prices to come back in spring. Santa Rosa: Range good. Buying and selling is light now. Heavy recent snows. Pastura: Good demand for cattle and sheep since election. Tucumcari: Range spotted. Moisture too late in places for grass, but filled the water holes. Roughage and wheat pasture plentiful. Demand for cattle and sheep slow. Not much restocking. Nara Visa: Lots of mois-

ture. 10 inches snow on 18th. Lots of feed and grass. Trading slow. Some holding ewe lambs; all calves delivered. Logan: Range spotted. Demand for cattle slackened. Demand for sheep normal. Prospects fine for next year. Grass short. Elida: Lots of grass. Enough moisture for green in the bottoms all winter. Las Vegas: Range good. Water plentiful. Hay and feed plentiful. Little restocking. Blizzard caused shrinkage in cattle. Cowles: Range normal. Ample feed. Prices fair. Early snows. Rociada: Ranges good. No trading in cattle; buyers holding off. Estancia: Range fair. Some feeding cake. Feeding split beans and hulls to sheep. Little restocking. Demand for young ewes.

Southwest—Buckhorn: Herds cut down and ranges short, but feed sufficient for cattle left. Demand slackened. Restocking with natural increase only. Breeding stock scarce. Calves were \$40 now \$37. Rains bringing weeds. Deming: Some selling. Moisture makes good prospects for spring weeds. Sage brush, grass and weeds enough for cattle through winter. Yearling steers "cut back" \$47.50. Some steer calves not yet sold. Cutter: Old cows and calves sold; others will come through winter. Hillsboro: Range fair, but some poor spots. Some cattle contracts forfeited. Lake Valley: Grass green to November 10. Ground wet deep. Cattle demand slackened. Faywood: Wet. Weeds starting to grow. Light demand for cattle.

Southcentral—Salem: Wet. Good prospects early weeds and grass. Las Cruces: Lots of rain this month. Winter feed scarce on some ranges. Glencoe: Hay and feed short and range spotted, but enough to carry through. Carrizozo: Shipments are heavy. Stockmen getting out of debt while prices are high. Picacho: Sheep fair.

Southeastern—Roswell: Range excellent. Hay sufficient, but high. Cattle and sheep demand lessened. Few new transactions, but filling early contracts. No demand to restock. Steer calves and wether lambs delivered. Hope: Cattle \$51. Plenty winter grass. Ewe lambs in demand at \$9. Range best in years. Feed ample. Little trading. Carlsbad: Range good. Price of cattle off about \$6 per head.

Some fiencl for figures discovers women own only 5 per cent of all the cars. Yes, but they tell the men how to drive the other 95 per cent.—Ex.

### Yarn Crocheted Dolls



Kriss Kringle will surely make a hit with children if he brings them a doll like either of these. They are crocheted of gay woolen yarn, that is, their heads are, and the parts not crocheted are made by adroitly tying, braiding and otherwise manipulating the yarn. As much fun to play with as the beloved rag doll, and are as indestructible. They play the role of boudoir dolls, too, if you please, for grownups.

### Vogue for Metal Flowers



Interior decorators "say it with flowers" nowadays in every available niche of the home. The latest for decoration is metal flowers. Hand-some ones of real metal are shown at the best gift shops and their more substantial beauty competes with the fragile loveliness of the popular crystal flowers. The ones photographed here, however, while to all appearance of genuine metal, are really made of heavy silver paper through a most ingenious method. First thin wire is bent to form the petals and leaves. Then the heavy silver or gold paper which comes for the purpose is pasted thereon. Each petal is lined with a tinted paper. These metal paper flowers make charming gifts for Christmas.

### NORTHCOTT TAKEN TO HICKMAN'S CELL TUES.

LOS ANGELES.—Gordon Stewart Northcott was back in Hickman's cell Tuesday awaiting removal to Riverside where he and his mother, Mrs. Louisa Northcott, was arraigned Wednesday on an indictment charging them with murder of 9-year-old Walter Collins.

After being confined to the county jail hospital for a week with influenza, Northcott was returned yesterday to the cell which housed William Edward Hickman, executed slayer, during his trials here.

Messenger Want Ads pay.

## INSIDE INFORMATION

As the time draws near for the January white sales, a list can be made of what will be needed in the linen closet, and in other household furnishings which will be found on sale at this time. The bureau of home economics has a bulletin, "Selection of Cotton Fabrics," which contains many suggestions in respect to the best fibers and weaves for various uses.

The main object in using a refrigerator is to save food, not ice, so real economy of operation consists in having well-insulated walls, in keeping the ice-chamber well stocked, in opening doors only when necessary and for as brief a period as possible, in putting nothing into the refrigerator that does not need to be kept there. For example, paper wrappings on meats and other foods, vegetables and fruits that can be stored equally well in a vegetable bin or closet, or extra dishes containing leftovers that could be combined on one plate should not be put in the refrigerator.

When a sweater is washed, it should first be measured carefully so that after washing is can be stretched to its original size and shape. Use lukewarm water and only neutral soaps. Strong washing powders should not be used, but borax and ammonia are safe to add to water inclined to be hard. Use any soap in the form of jelly, and do not rub soap directly on the fabric. Use more water for any wool garments in proportion to bulk than for any other fabric. Squeeze and work the sweater in the suds without rubbing. Press out excess water and wash in a second suds of the same temperature. Rinse free from soap in several changes of lukewarm water of about the same temperature as was used before. Wring through a loose-set wringer. Dry in a warm place, but not near a fire or in the direct sunlight. Never allow a sweater or any other wool garment to freeze. Spread the sweater out, back down, with sleeves out-stretched, on several thicknesses of clean soft material laid flat. Measure and shape according to the dimensions previously taken. If necessary, pin in place. Turn occasionally after it is almost dry.



### Counting the Chickens



"Have you finished your Christmas shopping yet?"

"Heavens, yes! I've already figured out what I'm going to receive and how many exchanges I'll make."

Messenger Want Ads pay.

## USED CARS

We have on hand some real values in Used Cars. If in the market come in and see them. When we sell Used Cars they are always worth the money—but these are exceptional values. They have been reconditioned and will give lots of service.

ALSO AGENTS FOR CHEVROLET CARS  
Ask about the New Chevrolet

Gas, Oils, Accessories, Parts, Tires and Tubes  
EXPERT REPAIR WORK

The first garage as you enter Hagerman—the last as you leave

**C. & C. GARAGE**  
Hagerman, New Mexico

## COFFEE DRINKERS

You are invited to come to our New Coffee Store just opened. The Queen M Coffee is our special blend—none better!

**JACOBSON COFFEE COMPANY**

## Filling Your Market Basket Here

is a real pleasure, for you know that first of all, it is not going to cost you more than it should, and secondly, you can be sure that whatever you place in it will be of the best quality.

## CARTER'S GROCERY

"Where Your Money Goes Farthest"  
ON THE CORNER—OPPOSITE BANK  
Hagerman, New Mexico

## LISTEN FRIENDS!

Why do your Christmas shopping out of town when you can find delightful gifts at reasonable prices at home.

Come by any time and we will be pleased to show you our new line of Stationery and other pleasing gifts.

## TEED'S CONFECTIONERY

Hagerman, N. M.

## MARK TWAIN SAID

Mark Twain once was asked: "Of all your books, which do you consider the best?"

He promptly replied: "My bank book."

The man or woman, boy or girl, who has earned something and spends less, and has a pass-book on this bank, is on the road to success.

Have you one?

WE INVITE YOUR ACCOUNT

## THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

Hagerman, New Mexico

## Turkeys Wanted

We are in the market for Turkeys. Will pay top price for No. 1's. Get our prices before selling your Turkeys.

## Lawing's Market

Hagerman, New Mexico

## THE PECOS VALLEY'S REAL GIFT SHOP

A shop where you will find the most varied and alluring array of gifts that have ever been shown in Southeastern New Mexico.

When in Roswell looking for gifts that are unusual and different—be sure to visit our shop and see if you won't find them.

Our showing of Christmas Greeting Cards this season is beyond description—you have to see them to appreciate them.

**COBEAN STATIONERY SHOP**  
"Roswell's Most Interesting Store"

## Things WORTH KNOWING

With the aid of a new method for study of wool, it has been discovered that the finest wool on a sheep is not grown on the shoulder, on the cheek or on the back of the neck.

A dairy heifer raised for breed- ing needs special care at this time of year. Allow her the run of a pas- ture or stubblefield until in the fall when she will get plenty of exercise. A liberal allowance of hay and grain with possibly a little grain.

It is safe, advise pure-food ex- perts of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, and do not eat food from swelled cans, or from cans with "flippers" or "springers," that are pressed with one or both ends curv- ing outward. These signs frequent- ly indicate that the food is unfit for consumption.

A hopper is not the proper device for a hen's feet, and an open- type of hopper with a revolving cover above the feed to keep the hens from getting their feet into the mash is much better than a wall hopper. The hopper up off the floor so as to save floor space and to prevent the mash from getting damp.

A valuable sire in the swine is sent to the block too soon if the practice is followed by a boar one season and then selling him, says the U. S. De- partment of Agriculture. A boar in breeding herd should not be dis- posed of until the growing and feed- ing qualities of his progeny are de- termined in the feed lot.

It may be discouraging to learn that there are forty or more pests that may attack your grain, it is consoling to learn that many of them can be controlled by carbon disulphide. This material, though highly inflammable, is par- ticularly adapted as a fumigant in the elevator or the average grain crib on the farm where the hazard can be controlled.

In addition of superphosphate to manure adds more phosphate, in- creases manure is low, says the U. S. Department of Agriculture. Super- phosphate is cheap and convenient to handle. It may be spread in the gutters in the stable at the rate of 40 to 60 pounds per ton.

Many of the ills to which calves are subject can be traced to unsuit- able stables, according to the U. S. Department of Agriculture. Calves in stables that are clean, dry, sunny, warm, well ventilated, free from draughts are less liable to pneumonia, from which they die in winter. Digestive ail- ments are less likely to develop if bedding, stalls and feed troughs are kept clean.

Some species of herons have the habit of moving northward during the breeding season, sometimes making extensive flights before head- ing southward when cold weather sets in, officials of the Biological Survey of the U. S. Department say. A record distance flight was made by a young great blue heron banded in Minnesota and found four months later at Gatun Lake, Panama.

An interesting departure in mar- keting tree fruits is being tried out in British Columbia (Canada). Un- der this new plan, a committee of seven of three members, two ap- pointed by the trade and one by the government, has authority to deter- mine when the products over which its jurisdiction shall be shipped, and the rate of shipment and various other things. This plan is being met with great interest by mar- keting organizations in the United States, says the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

Messenger Want Ads pay.

## Keep youth longer!

### cleanse the system of poisons

of the great enemies to youth vitality are delayed elimination of intestinal poisons. To keep your- self free from both these common dif- ficulties will help you to stay young.

the use of Nujol you can do it. For Nujol absorbs body poisons and carries them off, preventing their absorption by the body. Nujol also cleans the waste matter and brings about normal evacuation. It is harm- less, contains no drugs or medicine. It doesn't cause gas or griping pains, or irritate the stomach or kidneys. Every- one who has Nujol. Make sure you get the genuine. Look for the Nujol bottle with the label on the back. You can read right through the glass. Don't delay, get Nujol today.



## LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Hagerman, New Mexico, Dec. 8, 1928

Dear Santa Claus:

All the little boys and girls are writing to you, and telling what they want, so here I go.

I want a pair of skates, and a little manicure set. I also want ap- ples, oranges, grapes, nuts, and just everything good.

Please do not disappoint me on Christmas Eve night.

Your friend,  
Delpha Lankford

Messenger Want Ads pay.

Hagerman, New Mexico, Dec. 8, 1928

Dear Santa Claus:

As it is almost Christmas I am sure looking for you, Santa and I know you want to know what I want.

I want a pair of skates, and a coaster wagon, and of course a lot of fruit. You know all little boys like fruit.

So Santa Claus please do not dis- appoint me on Christmas Eve night. I am looking for you!

Your little friend,  
M. C. Owens

## TOM BLAKNEY TELLS OF EARLY EXPERIENCE AS A TEXAS RANGER

Out at Hope, New Mexico, lives Tom Blakney, hale and hearty at 84 years of age; Ex-Texas Ranger and Confederate veteran and veteran peace officer of Hope. Although Mr. Blakney has lived in the Hope community for more than thirty years, he arrived too late to see ac- tive service in helping to clear this section of Indian raids, which were a common occurrence in the early '70's and '80's.

As an early day Texas Ranger, however, Mr. Blakney thinks he had enough experience with the Indians to last the ordinary man a life time, in addition to his four year of ser- vice during the Civil war as a mem- ber of the famous Tom Green brigade.

**Battle 10 Days After Lee Surrender**  
Incidental to his Civil war record which started with his enlistment at the beginning of the struggle in 1861, there was one contest that stands out above all other battles or skirmishes as his most thrilling encounter. This battle was fought ten days after the surrender of Gen- eral Lee, before the news of the sur- render reached the belligerents in Texas. It was the hardest fought struggle of the war. The Confeder- ates, armed with muzzle loading shot guns, containing a double charge of powder and shot were ordered to ride in sweep the opposing line. If the shot guns failed, the Confeder- ates were to use their revolvers. Owing to the heavy charge the shot guns were not placed in the usual position on the shoulder, but each man held his gun near the side of his body. The kick from the gun was so heavy Mr. Blakney never saw his gun after the first shot, but he

rode on, the Union line having been cleared.

**First Indian Encounter**  
In 1871, at the Alamo plaza in San Antonio, Texas, Mr. Blakney was mustered into service as a Tex- as Ranger, and was assigned to Jones' division, Company E. A few months after his initiation into the Ranger organization, he fought the bloodiest Indian encounter of his car- eer, the struggle occurred in the wilds of Dimmitt county, south of San Antonio, Texas. "Faced sud- denly by sixty Indians, it was either fight or run," Mr. Blakney explains. Of the ten companions, who went into the struggle with Mr. Blakney, two ran away, one was killed and one knocked from his horse in a bunch of prickly pears. The Rangers stood their ground and finally repulsed the attack.

During the early part of the at- tack, Mr. Blakney directed his at- tention to an Indian, dressed in what appeared to be muslin cloth and riding a white horse. Apparently the Indian was the chief and the Ran- ger wanted his scalp, because he had always heard if the chief was killed the fight would soon be ended.

Mr. Blakney was puzzled after firing a number of well aimed shots at the chief on the white horse, be- cause he could not dislodge the In- dian. The mystery was not explain- ed until the following morning, when the supposed chief was found with twenty eight bullet holes in the mus- lin cloth.

The lucky shot came after the skirmish was ended. Seeing an In- dian some two hundred yards di- stant, Mr. Blakney motioned for him to come forward, but this red skin first refused to do so, finally ad- vancing fifty yards. Mr. Blakney thought to himself, "Well you dog gonned red skin, I've made pot shots farther than you are and I'll just try you a round." And he relates further, "I just cranked down on him with my old yaller belly Win- chester, hitting him just below the

## COLORED PHOTOGRAPHY PRESENTS NEW PROBLEM TO FILM PLAYERS

The development of technicolor and its use in films presents a new problem for screen players just as does the talking picture. Both these are apparently here to stay and during the coming year it is expected that more and more use will be made of color photography.

Columbia Pictures, quick to real- ize the advantages of technicolor in enhancing the value of a special production has made an entire se- quence of "Court-Martial," which is coming to the Majestic Theatre on Christmas in color. It is considered one of the best pieces of color work that has been brought to the screen. The characters take life and form and the tints create the illusion of a third dimension.

The action in color represents a ball in the East room of the White House during Abraham Lincoln's administration. The Great Emanci- pator is portrayed by Frank Austin. Jack Holt, who is starred, has the role of Captain Jack Camden, an army officer commissioned by Pres- ident Lincoln to break up a border guerilla gang and bring in its leader, Belle Starr, a role assumed by Betty Compson.

Hundreds of players in brilliant costumes are used in the ballroom sequence. Every tint and tone val- ue has been caught by the camera and transferred to the screen in a most natural manner.

The event of technicolor has re- volutionized studio technic and make- up. For the black and white photo- graphy all sets were drab, table covers, boiled shirts, bed sheets and the like were blue. The make-up was practically colorless or a sickly yel- low all of which gave the best tone values for the pictures in black and white. In using technicolor all this is changed. Lip stick and rouge, the delicate flesh tints and brilliant colors are again used and the same technic required as upon the spoken stage.

Many players, now prominent up- on the screen, have never learned stage make-up. This has brought forward a new crop of employees in most studios, the make-up experts, whose duty it is to supervise and pass upon each make-up before the individual goes on the set.

The problem of screen make-up is much more difficult than that up- on the stage. The camera, especially in close-ups, magnifies the features and in consequence shows up every defect in make-up. Only the most skillful artists are able to secure the proper blending.

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knee. I cracked down on him again and was sorter discouraged when I heard the bullet go "ping" as it looked like I had missed him clear light, but the boss he was riding jumped ten yards it looked to me. Later I found that the second shot had entered the Indian's knee about an inch above the other shot and had passed through the horse and the other knee, breaking both knees."

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## A CHRISTMAS RECONCILIATION

by KATHERINE EDELMAN

PHILIP MANION pulled down the curtains of his car with an angry jerk. Then his voice snapped out a sharp command to his chauffeur: "Get off this crowded street, Jenkins; this Christmas crowd is most annoying, rushing around like insane people!"

Jenkins gave a quiet assent and soon the big car slid quietly into the wide smoothness of the boulevard. But the traffic condition of this thoroughfare was no less pleasing to Philip Manion than the rush and hurry of the business section. It seemed as if every car in town must be there.

He grew more irritated each moment, so much so that even the well trained chauffeur felt its influence. For the first time in his life Jenkins sacrificed safety to speed as he tried to get his master away from the thing that irritated him so. And the result was, as it so often is in such cases—a crash. It all happened so quickly both master and man were dumb with surprise and fright for a moment.

The after-accident crowd that comes from no one knows where had quickly assembled. Ugly threats were passed around. The driver of the twisted taxi was hurled hot words at the white-faced Jenkins. Both drivers were unhurt.

But Philip Manion was unmindful of them all. He was bending over the unconscious form of a woman who lay inside the cab. Blood was streaming from a gash on her forehead and to all appearances she lay dead.

"Oh, Clare, Clare!" Manion was crying brokenly. "It is I—Philip. Won't you speak to me? You—you won't go and leave me to live on and now I killed you?"

But no answer came to his pleas; the white lips seemed to be stilled forever. Manion covered his face with his hands and sobbed bitterly. Then some one pulled him back from the cab—a doctor had come. And in a few minutes they were hurrying to the nearest hospital.

For an hour that seemed like an eternity Manion waited for the doctor's verdict. Gone was all the bitterness and hostility toward all that had possessed him in the past two years; in their place tenderness and sym-



A Door That Held a Message of Life or Death.

pathy had come back again. He knew now the cause for the way he had been acting; he had just been trying to crush out and stifle the crying of his heart. It was the need of Clare, the stifling of his love for her, that had turned him into a hard and bitter man.

"Oh, God! let her live?" he cried over and over. "Let her live to know that I am not the cur that she thinks I am. Let her live to know that it was stubbornness and pride only that kept me away. Oh, if I had only given in and told her the truth."

A door that held a message of life or death opened very softly and a smiling doctor motioned him in. A great surge of joy filled his heart; he knew Clare was going to live. As he entered there came from the street below the voices of carol singers, clear and sweet upon the evening air:

God rest ye little children; let nothing you fright;  
For Jesus Christ, your Savior, was born upon this night;  
Along the hills of Galilee the white flocks sleeping lay,  
When Christ, the child of Nazareth, was born on Christmas day.

As if at the sound, Clare Manion stirred softly, then her eyes opened very slowly and took in the outlines of the unfamiliar room. They fell upon the man, standing with bowed head in the doorway.

"Philip, Oh, Philip! is—is it really you, or am I dreaming? The joy in the weak voice was unmistakable.

"Yes, it is I, Clare." Manion's voice was broken and hoarse as he sank down upon his knees by the bed. "Can you ever forgive me for what I have done? All I ask is a chance to atone—to show you that I can be all that you once thought me."

Next day, when the Christmas bells were pealing out their message of peace on earth and good will toward all men, no two persons felt the joy of the age-old tidings in a greater measure than they, for their hearts had opened to new understanding and faith in each other.

## POTATOES GOOD CROP IN LOWER ALTITUDES

Irish potatoes have been considered a precarious crop in New Mexico says Dr. Garcia of the New Mexico Agricultural college. Much of the information available on potatoe culture in the past indicates that the Irish potatoe is not a very dependable crop, particularly in the lower and irrigated valleys. Most of the potatoes produced in the state have been grown in the higher altitudes, usually from about 7500 feet up. Recent results of experiments conducted by the experiment station seem to indicate that larger yields may be had, even in the lower irrigated districts, if the constant and uniform percentage of moisture is kept in the soil while the plant is growing, and particularly while the tubers are forming. It also seems absolutely necessary that disease-free seed be planted which means that nothing but certified seed should be used. The 1928 results obtained from the experiments on the Storrie Project at Las Vegas at an altitude of about 6300 feet were very satisfactory.

The chief two objects in conducting the experiments were, first, to obtain data on the adaptability of different varieties to that altitude; and second to ascertain the effect of different amounts of irrigation or soil moisture upon the growth of the plant and the acre yields. Nine varieties of certified seed were planted on May 21, 21 and 23, in furrows 3 feet apart and 12 to 18 inches in the furrow and covered 3 inches deep. The land used for this experiment was medium heavy loam. It was plowed during the winter to a depth of 8 inches. In the spring it was disced and leveled between April 5 and May 21 there had been 2.93 inches of rain. This added considerable moisture to the soil, so that it was not necessary to irrigate the land before planting the potatoes. The plan of experiment called for one plot not irrigated, one plot irrigated once, one plot irrigated twice, one plot irrigated three times, and two others irrigated four times, but at different dates.

The potatoes were planted at the rate of 1000 pounds per acre and the seed was treated with Bayer's dip dust after it was cut. The Russett Burbank, Green Mountain, Brown Beauty, and Russett Rural gave the highest total yield, in the order mentioned. The highest yield by any of these varieties was over 11,000 pounds. The Irish Cobbler and Bliss Triumph which are early maturing varieties, had quite a large percentage of No. 1 tubers of a very uniform size and shape. The Russett Rural produced some beautiful No. 1 tubers. While the Green Mountain produced next to the highest total yield, there was a slight tendency for a number of the tubers to be ill-shaped. On the whole, the 3 and 4 irrigations produced the heaviest yield and the largest percentage of No. 1 potatoes. The first light frosts, occurring on September 11 and 13 were not severe enough

to injure the tops of the potatoes. The crop was harvested on October 11. Red, White, Blue and Yellow carbon paper for tracing on cloth.—The Messenger.

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## The American Turkey

PERHAPS the most distinctive feature of our American Christmas dinner is the turkey. This noble bird is a Christmas feast requirement, whether the dinner be prepared in Texas or Wisconsin, New York or California. It is interesting to recall the origin of our national Christmas bird. The story of Capt. John Smith, fresh from his wars with the Turks, surveying the wild fowl in the forests of Virginia and of his uproarious laughter upon seeing the turkey gobbler strut proudly before the hens is perhaps fresher in the minds of our school children than in our own. At any rate, we agree with his comparison of the proud gobbler, for he "is exactly like the proud Turk showing off before his harem." So the name turkey is no longer familiar just to Americans, but has fast become an international medium of celebrating the happy Christmas season.—Frank H. Sweet. (©. 1927. Western Newspaper Union.)

## Mistletoe and Kissing

The mistletoe and kissing are always inseparably connected in the minds of Europeans, and as far back as tradition and history can go the quaint berried plant and kissing have always gone hand in hand together.

## Christmas Day

Christmas is the sweetest day of the year, for the reason that it is, in its proper observance, utterly unselfish, and because it is the golden link of time that serves to bind heaven and earth in a closer understanding.

## Singing Christmas Carols

Christmas carols were sung as far back as 1521 and were said to be the songs sung by angels at the birth of Christ.

## First Christmas Observance

The observance of Christmas began about the Fourth century. It became a general custom only in the Thirteenth century.

## Holly Unlucky

In some parts of England there is a superstition that it is unlucky to take holly into the house before Christmas.

to injure the tops of the potatoes. The crop was harvested on October 11.

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## COTTONWOOD ITEMS

(Miss Alma Bradley, Reporter)

Mrs. Wendell Sterrett, who has been ill the past week with the flu, is improving.

The Cottonwood Woman's Club will meet at the home of Mrs. W. L. Bradley this afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Thompson, of Indiana, are visiting at the home of their cousin, Mrs. J. N. Norris.

Mrs. Glenn O'Bannon and children, and Misses Ruby Jenkins and Mabel Vowell motored to Roswell Saturday.

Mrs. Ollie Johnson and two daughters, Misses Alice and Gwendolyn, left for California Tuesday, where they will make their future home.

The pie supper given at the Upper Cottonwood school house last Thursday night, was a great success as \$58.00 clear of expense was made. Among the honor guests were Governor Dillon, Ed Kane, editor of the Las Vegas Optic and Harry Safford, republican state chairman, all of whom were visiting here.

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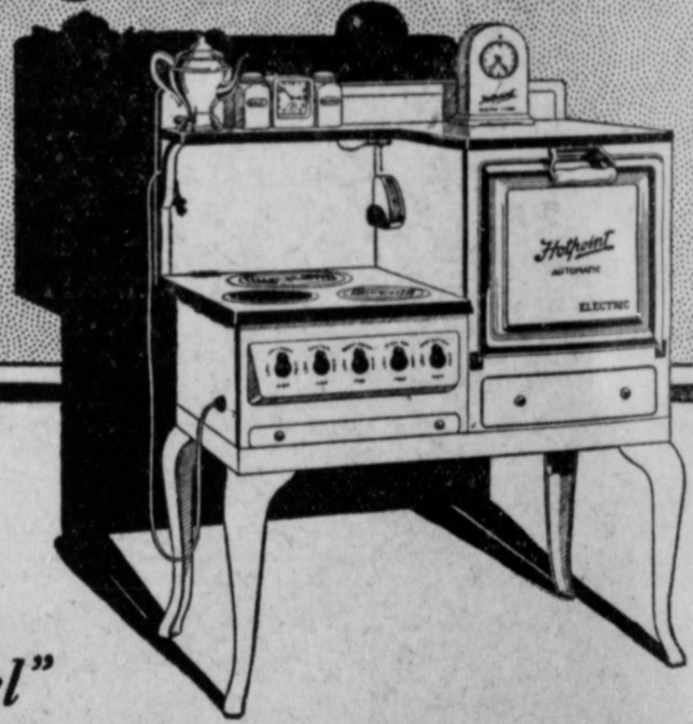
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## Lesson for December 16

### PAUL AND HIS FRIENDS

LESSON TEXT—Acts 20:36-38; Rom. 16:1-4; Phil. 2:25-30; Philemon.  
GOLDEN TEXT—A friend loveth at all times.

PRIMARY TOPIC—Paul Writes a Letter to Philemon.

JUNIOR TOPIC—Paul's Letter to Philemon.

INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—Paul as a Friend.

YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—The place of Friendship in the Christian Life.

#### I. Paul Praying with the Ephesian Elders (Acts 20:36-38).

This incident reveals the real spirit of fellowship which had developed between Paul and the elders of the church at Ephesus. Knowing the seriousness of his mission to Jerusalem and the probability that he would never see them again, he asked these elders to meet him at Miletus, that he might give them the proper instructions so as to enable them to meet the issues which confronted them. Before leaving them he knelt down and prayed with them.

#### II. Concerning Certain Ones at Rome (Rom. 16:1-4).

1. Phoebe commended to the Christians at Rome. Phoebe was a Christian woman from the church at Cenchrea who was making a visit to Rome. Her business is not defined, but it was such that he could ask the Christians not only to receive her, but to render to her the proper assistance therein.

2. He asks that the Christians greet Priscilla and Aquila (vv. 3, 4). The ground upon which this greeting was urged was their own loyalty to himself.

#### III. Concerning Apaphroditus (Phil. 2:25-30).

Not being able to revisit the church at Philippi, Paul sent his friend Apaphroditus to minister to them.

#### IV. Paul Writes to Philemon.

Philemon was a member of the church at Colosse. Onesimus, his slave, wronged him; perhaps stole from him and fled to Rome and there came under Paul's influence and was converted. Paul sent Onesimus back to Philemon with this letter. This is one of the most tender and beautiful letters ever written and the first anti-slavery petition ever penned.

#### 1. The salutation (vv. 1-3).

His aim was to touch Philemon's heart; he, therefore, refers to himself as a prisoner and links Philemon to himself as a fellow-laborer in the gospel of truth.

#### 2. Philemon's reputation (vv. 4-7).

(1) His faith and love toward the Lord and all the saints (v. 5).

(2) His earnest desire was that this faith bear fruit in Christ Jesus.

(3) His ministry to the saints (v. 7). Philemon generously ministered of his substance to the poor saints.

#### 3. Paul's request (vv. 8-16).

Paul requested Philemon to receive back Onesimus, the runaway slave, as a brother in Christ.

(1) Beseeches instead of commands (vv. 8-10). Though conscious of his right to enjoin, he pleads as a prisoner of Jesus Christ, for love's sake.

(2) He pleads on the grounds of grace (vv. 11-14). He admitted that Onesimus had been unprofitable, had forfeited all claim upon Philemon, and that on grounds of justice his plea might well be rejected, and yet, because Onesimus was begotten in his hands (v. 10), was in a real sense part of his own suffering nature (v. 12), he ventured to suggest that he should be accepted.

(3) Paul desired that Onesimus be received back, not as a slave, but as a brother in Christ (vv. 15, 16). Here is the real fugitive slave law. Paul never attacked slavery, though it was contrary to Christianity and therefore hateful to him, but emphasized the principles which destroyed it. The wise thing to do is to get men and women regenerated and thus transform society, instead of seeking change by revolution.

#### 4. The basis upon which Onesimus was to be received (vv. 17-21).

The debt of guilty Onesimus to be put to the account of Paul and the merit of Paul to be put to the account of Onesimus. This is a fine illustration of the atonement of Christ. What wrongs we have committed, debts incurred—all our shortcomings are imputed to Him. Jesus Christ, on behalf of the whole universe, said to God, "Put that to my account." Onesimus was taken back, not as a runaway slave, but as a beloved brother in Christ.

#### 5. Paul requests lodging (vv. 22-25).

He expected a speedy release from imprisonment and purposed to sojourn with Philemon. What a welcome he must have received!

#### What They Realize

Children may not understand all the readings used nor thoughts expressed in the family worship hour, but they do feel that this is a time when the whole family enters a holy place. God is made real, and family life is made a part of His plan and thing within His care.—The Main-tenance Messenger.

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By GENE BYRNES



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The Gallina bridge is complete and the crew moved to bridges on the Cuba-Farmington road. The Grants bridge is complete and the crew moved onto the Escavada wash bridge to assist on that difficult job. The latter is going forward swiftly after the many trials experienced in getting material on the job. Seven spans are complete and the crew rushing work on the remaining spans.

Cerrillos bridge, most ambitious undertaking of this year's program by the bridge division is all complete except the asphalt surfacing. This will be completed by the first of next week.

The three bridges in the vicinity of Belen which have been worked on this fall in conjunction with the Grants bridge are all complete. This crew is now at work on installing cattle guards on Laguna Cut-off.

The last Jemez bridge is completed and crew moved from here onto the Cuba-Farmington series of bridges. Work is being concentrated on this latter road. Although this is one of the longest and most difficult jobs ever undertaken by state forces not under contract, work is going forward despite weather and difficulties. When this road is finally completed the driving time between San Juan Basin and the Rio Grande valley will be more than cut in half.

#### ORDER CUT COAL RATES TO POINTS IN PECOS VALLEY

SANTA FE.—The state corporation commission Tuesday ordered a reduction in coal rates from San Ysidro to Clovis, and other Pecos valley points. Max Fernandez said the reductions were intended to bring the rates into line with rates from Waldo to the same destinations.

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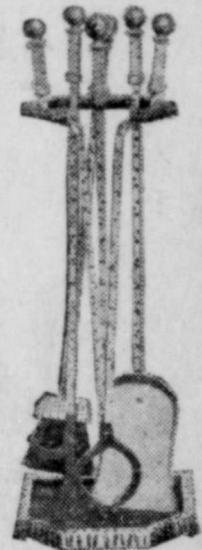
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- 1 McCormick 10-foot Hay Rake
- 1 McCormick-Deering Cultivator
- 1 P & O 12-inch Sulky Plow
- 1 14 Disc Harrow

- 1 2-Section Drag Harrow
- 1 Water Tank and Truck
- 2 New Ditch Tarps
- Shovels, Forks, Hoes, Etc.
- 2 Sets Harness, Collars, Etc.
- 2 14-in P & O Sulky Plows
- 1 12-in P & O Sulky Plow
- 1 14-in John Deere Sulky Plow

#### FEED

- 2 Stacks of Hay
- Some Corn and Maize

#### HOUSEHOLD AND KITCHEN FURNITURE

- 1 Round Oak Cook Stove
- 1 4-Burner Perfection Oil Stove
- 1 Hot Blast Heater
- 1 Kitchen Cabinet
- 1 Kitchen Table and Ironing Board
- Various Cooking Utensils
- Bath Tubs, Sink, Pipes and Fixtures
- 1 Extension Dining Tables & Dishes
- 1 Set Dining Chairs
- 1 Library Table
- 4 Rocking Chairs
- Several Split Bottom Chairs
- 5 Brass Bed Steads and Springs
- 3 Dressers and Mirrors
- Many Other Articles

#### TERMS OF SALE:

All sums of \$10.00 and under cash. On sums above \$10.00 six months time will be given on approved notes bearing 10 per cent interest. 5 per cent discount for cash at time of sale.

#### Lunch Served at Noon

# SMITH SHAW

COL. TOM MCKINSTRY,  
Auctioneer

W. A. LOSEY,  
Clerk

"You Can Make The Men Folks Happy"



### Ladies On That Joyous Morn

you can have a feeling of confidence that he'll appreciate your Model Christmas Gift.

Most of your Hagerman and Dexter friends know that our store caters to men with all kinds of fine Suits, Overcoats, Stetson Hats and Florsheim Shoes—and right now we're featuring the newest in Shirts, Ties, Robes, Belts, Hose, Gloves, Jackets—in fact everything suitable for you to give him.

This ad will entitle Mrs. R. N. Thomas to a pretty Tie for her Friend Husband!

**CHE·MODEL**

### NEW PHONE CIRCUITS ARTESIA TO ROSWELL ARE NOW COMPLETED

Direct connections with Roswell over the new phone circuits is expected to be available to local people today. The new lines recently constructed from here to Roswell will enable the Mountain States Telephone Co., to give quick service over four circuits. Waiting on a call to our northern neighbor will therefore be a thing of the past after today.

The Lovington circuit will be hooked up Friday. The new circuits which have been constructed east from Artesia to the state line are being built from this point into Midland by the Southwestern Bell Telephone Co., —Artesia Advocate

### LOCALS

Marlin Woodmas is on the sick list this week.

M. Stevenson, of Artesia, was in town Monday.

Little George Mark Losey is real sick this week.

A number of people are suffering with colds, but no flu has been reported so far.

Willie: "Well I showed up the teacher before the whole class today. She asked me for Lincoln's Gettysburg address 'n I had to tell her he never lived there."

"Yassum," was the reply. When Ah leans over an' hears something rip, Ah knows dat's de seat."—Country Gentleman.

### COME TO

The Christmas Shop Saturday, December 15th, at Cumpston Building, Hagerman, N. M. 50-1tc

## Want Ads

### RATES

COUNT FIVE WORDS TO A LINE  
MINIMUM AD FOUR LINES  
Minimum Charge for first run...40c  
Subsequent runs, minimum ad...25c  
Ads over 5 lines first run, line...8c  
Ads over 5 lines 2nd run at line.5c

### FOR SALE

FOR SALE—One Buick 6 touring car, in good condition. Two model T Fords in good condition—all bargains. One canary with cage. One Olander tree. Inquire at Hotel Dexter, Dexter, N. M. 49-2tp

FOR SALE—Young Jersey cow: fresh. F. H. Evans, Hagerman, N. M. 50-2tp.

FOR SALE—Pair good, medium sized work mules, and two milch cows, both giving milk. Mack Dozier. 50-4-tc.

### FOUND

FOUND—Sheep lined coat on the road east of the river. Owner may have same by calling at The Messenger office, describing coat and paying for this ad. 50-1tc

### FLU IN VALLEY

Colds and influenza have taken quite a toll in many valley of the valley towns and have seriously interfered with school work in some instances. The influenza appears to be more prevalent in Roswell and Carlsbad than here, where few cases are reported.

## J.C. PENNEY CO.

311-313 North Main St., Roswell

# Toyland

Is Full of Thrilling Toys for Girls and Boys of All Ages

### Colonial Coffee Percolator Set



A handsome set of 16 pieces—one that any little girl will be proud to own—and an outstanding toy dish value!

98c

### "Little Mother's Helper"



Small daughters will enjoy keeping their own things neat and clean with this set of push broom, mop and dustpan.

39c  
Others 89c

### Wash Day For Doll Children's Clothes!



Every little girl looks forward to wash day—because then she can use her toy laundry set—with tiny clothes pins and all the rest. Sets in different sizes from

89c to \$3.98

### Overand Under A Mechanical Toy



The car runs down the upper incline and back on the lower where a motor raises it up for a new start. 20 inches long.

49c

### "Jaciel" in a Stunning Box Is a Christmas Gift to Delight Her



The delicate fragrance, the exquisite purity of these lovely toiletries will delight her—and they come especially boxed for Christmas.

5-Piece Set, 2.89  
3-Piece Set, 1.89  
2-Piece Set, 89c

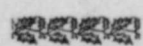
# Practical Gifts are the most Acceptable



Here you will find something useful for every member of the Family, Mother and Dad, as well as Sister and Brother

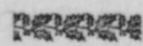
### BLANKETS

Good Cotton and Part Wool from—  
\$1.95 to \$6.00



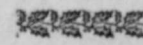
### SCARFS

All Silk in the Newest Shades



### MEN'S UNION SUITS

\$1.50 Values for 98c



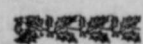
### SWEATERS

For all the family, excellent quality and all colors.

### SILK HOSE

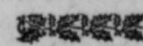
Gordon's Pure Thread Silk in all the newest colors and novelties from—

\$1.00 to \$2.50



### SILK LINGERIE

Rayon and Pure Thread Silk, Bloomers, Teds, Gowns and Dance Sets.



### LUGGAGE

Hat Boxes, Steamer Trunks and Suit Cases

### NOTICE TO DOG OWNERS

The suspected presence of dogs showing symptoms of rabies, and an evident surplus of ownerless dogs has prompted the Board of Trustees of the Town of Hagerman to take the following action:

The provisions of the local ordinances governing dogs will be strictly enforced as soon as tags can be procured.

The owners of dogs will be required to pay a license of \$1.00 for any male dog, and \$2.00 for any female dog.

Dogs found running at large will be impounded for 48 hours, notice thereof given, and if not claimed they will be destroyed.

License fees shall be paid and tags procured at the office of the City Clerk.

Citizens are requested to keep their dogs at home.

HAROLD MILLER, Mayor. 50-1tc.

Messenger Want Ads pay.

### NOTICE

Beginning Monday, Dec. 17th, the postoffice will be open during the noon hour each day. Window will be closed at 1:30 p. m., and no package will be received after that hour for dispatch the day. All letters dropped into mail box before 2:30 p. m., will be dispatched that day.

This schedule will be in effect until December 26, 1928.

C. G. MASON, P. M.

Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Sweatt family visited relatives and friends in Texas the latter part of last week.

Mrs. H. L. McKinstry was led to Knox City, Texas, last week by the death of her small daughter, Ethel May Wilson, daughter of Mrs. John Wilson.

Red, White, Blue and Yellow colored paper for tracing on cloth—Messenger.

## LISTEN, LADIES

Get ready for Xmas entertainments by visiting

## Everybodys Beauty Shop

TUESDAY, DEC. 18th

Five facials will be awaiting the first five ladies who call FREE. Call and get yours.

Marcel, Finger Waving, Manicures and Facial

## Peoples Mercantile Company

HAGERMAN, NEW MEXICO

Beginning December 15th and continuing until the night of December 24th, we will give double *S.N.* Green Stamps with each 10c cash purchase. **C** Fill your book before Christmas.