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Vehicle Damage

The Highway Department does not have an accurate check of cars that were wrecked last year on the highways, however, a fairly accurate estimate shows that property loss is terrific. Thirty three cars were totally wrecked and many others badly damaged so that the total in damages is believed to have run well over \$100,000.

Ratio Of Deaths To Accidents

Highway reports indicate a ratio of one person killed to every five injured. If this ratio is correct, about 350 people were injured during the past year. And taking the national ratio of accidents to fatalities, it is estimated that 7,000 accidents occurred on the state highways last year.

NEW MEXICO TO HAVE EXHIBIT AT SOUTHWEST ROAD SHOW IN FEB.

SANTA FE.—An attractive exhibit showing the progress of New Mexico in good roads building, the points of interest to tourists which the state has to offer, hunting preserves, products and playgrounds is now in the course of preparation for presentation at the Southwest Road Show and School at Wichita, Kansas, February 26 to March 1, according to the State Highway Engineer.

A similar exhibit was placed in the International Show held in Chicago last fall and was the cause of much favorable comment, he stated.

The Southwest Road Show, which it is expected will draw seven thousand people this year, offers another excellent opportunity to boost New Mexico's roads and other merits.

The main part of the exhibit will take the part of a huge illustrated map of New Mexico set in a gateway, the arch posts of which list many of the state's attractions. This section of the exhibit is nearly large enough to drive a flivver through. Supplementing this will be smaller flanking panels which will have other photographs and posters displayed upon them. A supply of extra copies of the Highway Journal, a large number of the illustrated highway maps and other literature will also be on hand for distribution to interested persons.

PAPER MADE OF CORNSTALKS

Mr. A. L. VanArdol brought to The Messenger office Tuesday morning a copy of his old "hometown paper," the Council Bluffs Nonpareil, published at Council Bluffs, Iowa, which was printed on paper made from cornstalks.

There has been much talk in recent years of manufacturing paper from cornstalks, but this is the first we have ever seen. The paper is of a little better quality than ordinary print paper, which is made from wood pulp, and with proper treatment it should be made into excellent writing paper.

A few years ago experiments were made in the south with cotton stalks, but the cost of production caused those who made the experiments to forsake the idea of producing cotton stalk paper for the market. Now, should the cost of production admit of the manufacture of paper from cornstalks it will be a boon to the farmers in the corn producing states, and at the same time solve the problem of the fast disappearing supply of wood from which paper is now made.

PUBLIC SALE WEDNESDAY

Messrs. S. T. Allen and W. H. Keeth will hold an auction sale at the home of Mr. Allen, one mile north of Hagerman next Wednesday, February 6th.

Mr. Allen is going to Texas and Mr. Keeth has quit farming, and a good lot of stuff is offered in this sale. Read their ad elsewhere in this issue.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sweatt and family spent the week end with relatives and friends at Barstow, and other Texas points.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Capps, Mrs. Deaver, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Swisher attended the singing at Hope Sunday.

AT THE CHURCHES

PREBYTERIAN CHURCH

There will be communion service reception of some members next Sunday morning with the Sunday school at the usual hour. There is still much sickness among the various families of the congregation interfering with all forms of church work. The Endeavor Society will hold its regular meeting in the evening followed by the preaching service. The subject for evening will be, "The Why of the Jew." This is a review of the article in the January number of the American, entitled "Why is the Jew Like That?" If you want to be fully informed as to God's program for the world, past, present and future, you must know the "Why of the Jew." You are very cordially invited to these services.

IT'S UP TO THE TOWN

There is considerable comment going the rounds of the state press as to whether or not the auto and the good road have not sounded the doom of the small town. It seems to us that this is a matter for the town to decide. If it is a live town with a bunch of good merchants who hustle, advertise and give the kind of service that pleases, the auto and the good road will help the town and cause it to grow and prosper. However, if the town is a dead one, no push, no progress, poor and incompetent merchants, then the auto and the good road will most certainly hasten its end. Easy and rapid travel are the making of a "good town." People like to trade in such a town. The good road is also used by them to get away from a poor town. It is all a matter of the town itself. If the trade is going through your town to the next town, wake yourself up and then wake up the rest of your neighbor merchants and business men. Don't knock the auto and the good road—make use of them.—Long Prairie (Minn.) Leader.

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ANNUAL CONVENTION OF WOOL GROWERS TO MEET IN ROSWELL SOON

The 26th annual convention of the Mexico Wool Growers' Association will meet in the court room at Roswell, New Mexico, February 5 at 2 p. m. All wool growers will be asked to register, either at the Nickson hotel or the convention room.

An instructive and profitable program has been arranged and many prominent speakers will take part, among them being Mr. D. W. Hartzell, Lamb Specialist of the National Livestock and Meat Board, who will give a talk on the expenditures of money raised by the New Mexico Wool Growers Association for the "Eat More Lamb" campaign. He will also give a meat cutting demonstration and a carcass of a lamb will be cut up before the convention and each cut explained.

Dr. H. L. Kent, President of the New Mexico Agricultural college will address the meeting relative to the work of the Agricultural college along lines of cooperation with the livestock industry and the eradication of poisonous weeds, especially pinque.

Other speakers of note will be Mr. S. K. Warrick, Secretary-Treasurer of the Colorado-Nebraska Feeder's Association; Mr. M. A. Gonzales, President of the New Mexico Sheep Sanitary Board; Mr. F. L. Schneider, in charge of the branch of the Bureau of Animal Industry, U. S. Department of Agriculture, located at Albuquerque; J. F. Jarrell, Agricultural and Industrial Commissioner of the A. T. & S. F. Ry., and a representative of the State Game Commission.

It is expected that there will be a large attendance of members of the association at this meeting as there are many important subjects connected with the wool growing industry to be discussed.

A dinner will be given for all visiting wool growers and their ladies at the Military Institute, Tuesday evening at 7:30 and teas and bridge parties are scheduled for the ladies who are not inclined to enter the business sessions of the convention. Other surprises are in store for the delegates so we are advised by the Chamber of Commerce.

From interest shown so far it promises to be one of the best conventions ever held in New Mexico.

UNDERGOES OPERATION IN KANSAS CITY

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Lane and children left Saturday for Kansas City for a visit, and upon their arrival there their daughter, Evelyn, was stricken with acute appendicitis, and an immediate operation was necessary. The operation was performed in a hospital at that place Monday and at last report she was resting nicely.

Mrs. Anna Mae Robinson and a party of ladies, from Artesia, came up Sunday to sample our mineral water—but said it didn't taste good.

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SCHEDULE ANNOUNCED FOR THE BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT MCH. 1-2

A Total Of Sixteen Games Will Be Played During Two Days—Championship Game At 8:30 Saturday Evening in Artesia.

Drawings have been completed for the annual Pecos valley-inter mountain basketball tournament, which will be held at the Central gymnasium Friday and Saturday, March 1 and 2. A total of sixteen games will be played, eight each day and ending with championship game at 8:30 p. m., Saturday evening. The schedule follows:

Friday, March 1, 1929.

(1) 9:00 a. m., Hope vs. Carlsbad.

(2) 10:00 a. m., Carrizozo vs. Lake Arthur.

(3) 11:00 a. m., Dexter vs. Hagerman.

(4) 2:00 p. m., Lincoln vs. Corona.

(5) 3:00 p. m., Capitan vs. Artesia.

(6) 4:00 p. m., Roswell vs. loser game (1).

(7) 7:30 p. m., Loser game (2) vs. loser game (3).

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TWO PROHIBITION BILLS ARE KILLED LATELY

SANTA FE.—Two of the legislature's five prohibition bills died a natural death yesterday, when it was announced that the house committee on public affairs had voted unanimously to submit unfavorable reports on the two prohibition bills by representatives McCrae and Page.

These also are the first two minority bills to go down in committee. It was not thought likely that the house would reject the committee report when it is submitted.

The McCrae-Page bills established penalties for first prohibition offense of \$500 to \$5,000 fine with not less than 6 months or more than 5 years in prison, with a second offense to be punished by not less than \$5,000 or more than \$10,000 fine and not less than five years or more than ten years in the penitentiary.

The house bill introduced yesterday by representative J. V. Gallegos of San Miguel county in addition to providing for sale of municipal water and light plants to a vote of the people of the city, likewise enfranchised war veterans to vote on such issues, even though they be exempt from taxation on property under the soldier's exemption clause.

Sale of the plants would be submitted to popular vote for approval only where the property was valued in excess of \$500.

WESLEY CAMPBELL ACQUITTED

ALAMOGORDO.— Wesley Campbell, 22, Saturday stood acquitted of the charge of murder for the death of W. R. Batt, 54.

The case was given to the jury about nine o'clock Friday night and fifteen minutes later the jury returned with its verdict which found that "Wesley Campbell is not guilty on grounds of self defense."

Throughout the trial the defense attorneys, Leu Fullen and Hiram Dow, directed their testimony to show that Batt had threatened Campbell.

The trouble between the two men who lived in James Canyon started over a trade in which Campbell traded Batt a horse for a mule and a \$30 tarpaulin.

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Cause Of Accidents

The accident chart plotted up by the department shows that 27 per cent of all accidents are due to inattention. The next greatest cause is speeding, which is about 25 per cent of all other causes. Drunken driving, when the phone poles, bridges, light poles etc., get in the way of the driver causes approximately 12 1/2 per cent of all accidents, says the bulletin. Summing up the total causes the bulletin states that seven out of ten accidents could have been prevented by the driver. About one fourth of the accidents is blamed on physical causes such as rain, snow, defective lights, glaring lights, etc. One and one fourth per cent of all accidents can be blamed on the road.

Vehicle Damage

The Highway Department does not have an accurate check of cars that were wrecked last year on the highways, however, a fairly accurate estimate shows that property loss is terrific. Thirty three cars were totally wrecked and many others badly damaged so that the total in damages is believed to have run well over \$100,000.

Ratio Of Deaths To Accidents

Highway reports indicate a ratio of one person killed to every five injured. If this ratio is correct, about 350 people were injured during the past year. And taking the national ratio of accidents to fatalities, it is estimated that 7,000 accidents occurred on the state highways last year.

NEW MEXICO TO HAVE EXHIBIT AT SOUTHWEST ROAD SHOW IN FEB.

SANTA FE.—An attractive exhibit showing the progress of New Mexico in good roads building, the points of interest to tourists which the state has to offer, hunting preserves, products and playgrounds is now in the course of preparation for presentation at the Southwest Road Show and School at Wichita, Kansas, February 26 to March 1, according to the State Highway Engineer.

A similar exhibit was placed in the International Show held in Chicago last fall and was the cause of much favorable comment, he stated.

The Southwest Road Show, which it is expected will draw seven thousand people this year, offers another excellent opportunity to boost New Mexico's roads and other merits.

The main part of the exhibit will take the part of a huge illustrated map of New Mexico set in a gateway, the arch posts of which list many of the state's attractions. This section of the exhibit is nearly large enough to drive a flivver through. Supplementing this will be smaller flanking panels which will have other photographs and posters displayed upon them. A supply of extra copies of the Highway Journal, a large number of the illustrated highway maps and other literature will also be on hand for distribution to interested persons.

PAPER MADE OF CORNSTALKS

Mr. A. L. VanArdol brought to The Messenger office Tuesday morning a copy of his old "hometown paper," the Council Bluffs Nonpareil, published at Council Bluffs, Iowa, which was printed on paper made from cornstalks.

There has been much talk in recent years of manufacturing paper from cornstalks, but this is the first we have ever seen. The paper is of a little better quality than ordinary print paper, which is made from wood pulp, and with proper treatment it should be made into excellent writing paper.

A few years ago experiments were made in the south with cotton stalks, but the cost of production caused those who made the experiments to forsake the idea of producing cotton stalk paper for the market. Now, should the cost of production admit of the manufacture of paper from cornstalks it will be a boon to the farmers in the corn producing states, and at the same time solve the problem of the fast disappearing supply of wood from which paper is now made.

PUBLIC SALE WEDNESDAY

Messrs. S. T. Allen and W. H. Keeth will hold an auction sale at the home of Mr. Allen, one mile north of Hagerman next Wednesday, February 6th.

Mr. Allen is going to Texas and Mr. Keeth has quit farming, and a good lot of stuff is offered in this sale. Read their ad elsewhere in this issue.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sweatt and family spent the week end with relatives and friends at Barstow, and other Texas points.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Capps, Mrs. Deaver, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Swisher attended the singing at Hope Sunday.

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ADJUST PRODUCTION TO DEMAND IS ADVICE OF AGRICULTURE DEPT.

The Outlook Promising For Many Industries — Warn Against Too Rapid An Expansion Of Livestock Business.

WASHINGTON.—American farmers were urged Monday by the bureau of agricultural economics to continue efforts to adjust production to

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WHERE DOES IT GO?

E. P. Chase, Editor of the Atlantic (Iowa) News-Telegraph, says:

That the greatest problem for all communities is the drift toward concentration in the larger centers. The average town of ten thousand and less, and for that matter the larger ones too, has a goodly per cent of its business made up by concerns, all of whose profits go away. One is surprised to learn just how large a portion of the business of every small community in this day is in that category. The communities which supports concerns bringing money from the outside are fortunate. The dollar which is kept at home is the most valuable asset to community building.

In this connection an interesting stunt was staged here some months ago and illustrated in a most potent way what the dollar kept at home will do. A dollar was started out from a local bank and spent by every business man in the business section of town, each fellow buying a dollar's worth of the next fellow's wares. When the rounds had been made the dollar was back in the bank from which it had started, on savings deposit, and the merchandise which the dollar had bought, displayed in a show window, filled the window. In the same window was displayed a dollar's worth of goods bought of a mail order house.

The moral pointed by the display was a strong one. In the one instance the dollar kept at home bought a truck load of merchandise and was still in the community. In the other, the dollar spent with the mail order house bought only a handful of goods and was lost to the community forever.

There can be no argument as to the desirability of keeping the dollars at home, and fostering those concerns whose profits are used to build up home enterprise. If the smaller communities are to continue their place in the sun they will do so by stressing the keeping of money at home. This is a fundamental principle of community building for which there can be no substitute.

The dollar spent at home remains at home to keep on working; the one spent away from home never comes back.

WANTS BETTER ASSESSMENT (Denying Headlight)

The solution of New Mexico's present dilemma does not lie in the levying of a sales tax or consumption tax. Nor do we believe that it lies altogether in the lowering of governmental expenses.

We do not believe, however, that if assessments were made in person by the various county assessors, under the direction of a state tax commission that was awake enough to realize, without prompting, that this old world made a full turn every twenty four hours; if assessments were made for full dollar-for-dollar value of the property, and if the district attorneys were made responsible for the collection of delinquent taxes and the expense of special collectors eliminated, the state of New Mexico, with a tax rate as low as most, would find itself in funds sufficient for all needs.

Any statement that assessments "cannot" be made by the above method in New Mexico, although such a system is used in nearly all other states, appeals to us as ranking with the belief that eating yeast cakes will cure fallen arches. Are the people of New Mexico so much more ignorant than those residing in other states that they cannot "sabe" a simple law of this kind? Or is it because we are too crooked? The latter view we might grant, but the former is untenable.

While we are not prepared to say that we will oppose the sales tax under any and all circumstances we do say, and mean it, that if the proposed tax system calls for the creation of even a single additional office, elective or appointive, any place in the state we are going to be against it, absolutely, whole-heartedly and always, regardless of what its merits may be shown to be. We are convinced that there are enough "jobs" in the state now. Also we know that the proposed tax system will find strong favor with those who prefer to live off the public.

"One of our newly married young ladies here recently prepared a roast for her husband, after he had eaten his fill she asked:

"How did you like the roast dear?"
"Fine answered the husband; just right but where was the gravy?"

"I wondered how soon you'd miss it, you absent minded dear," she replied, "you didn't bring a drop with the meat."—Exchange.

If the proposed tax is placed on cigarettes, many who now smoke "Tailor Mades," will go to building their own.

Superintendent Boles of the Carlsbad Caverns expects to entertain 75,000 visitors in 1929, which means a considerable increase in the summer tourists up and down the valley.

How can we teach the children the value of a dollar when it won't buy a dollar's worth?

THE DELINQUENT TAX PROBLEM

The delinquent tax situation with over six million of uncollected taxes on the rolls of the respective counties is the prime factor in our increasing tax rate. Until the solution is found as to the most feasible manner of collecting these back taxes, we can expect little or no relief, regardless of how economical our state administration may be.

The matter of collecting taxes for the support of our state and county institutions remains a comparatively simple job as long as everybody pays according to their ability, but when some of the largest property owners in the state deliberately let their taxes go delinquent and permit a suit to be filed in the courts with the intention of effecting a compromise, then it is time for the prompt tax payer to demand relief. There should not be any excuse for the smaller tax payers to be compelled to bear the major portion of the tax burden.

Another factor, which has greatly hindered the prompt collection of back taxes, is the fee involved for the delinquent tax collector. Naturally the delinquent collector is more interested in collecting the taxes from the larger tax payers, because it costs him just as much effort to collect the smaller taxes as it does the larger amounts. The unfairness of the present system is manifested in our own community. There are both houses and lots in Hagerman which would be purchased by responsible owners. In some cases there is no question but that the amount of taxes due is greater than the value of the property, but even so a compromise would be better than just letting the property go delinquent from year to year, while the taxes mount.

HIGHER TAXES

An executive budget, representing the requests of the various state departments and institutions amounting to \$4,520,111, was submitted to the house of representatives by Governor Dillon, Thursday. Governor Dillon stated that the average tax rate, including the state and county is \$35.00 per thousand and that the state tax rate is only about 20 per cent of the total. The total assessment of property for 1928 is \$315,000,000 he says. If all requests are granted, this will bring the state levy up to nine mills, in addition to other state levies required by law. The present legislature is faced by requests for all purposes amounting to \$837,962 over the appropriations of the 1927 legislature and the only way this increase could be met would be an increase in the state tax rate, which is now \$7.54 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation, according to Governor Dillon.

The Governor has also stated that he was opposed to an increase in pay of the state officials for such an increase combined with other requests would raise the state levy up to eleven and one half mills or one half mill beyond the constitutional limit. Governor Dillon sees an increase in the tax rate even though the present legislature does not appropriate one dollar more of expenses than was appropriated in 1927.

FARMER MAKES SUGGESTION

One of our farmer friends suggested the other day that it would be a good idea for the farmers to leave a portion of their cotton in the field each year in order that there might not be an overproduction, and the price again be low.

But it seems to us that a better solution would be to leave a portion of your seed in the barn this spring and save the trouble and expense of raising the cotton left in the field.

Then plant the extra acreage in Indian corn, buy some hogs and raise your bread and meat at home. The energy spent in raising the cotton to be left in the field could be spent in raising something that would reduce your living expenses and make the money received from the cotton go farther.

Vegetables would also be a good crop to raise. There is always a market—and besides, you could can enough to last through the winter and stretch your cotton money another notch.

Cheap cotton is bad for the farmer—but it is worse to sell cheap cotton to pay high prices for foods that could have been produced on the farm.

HAVE CONFIDENCE

There is no basis for lack of confidence in our country.

Consider a few elemental facts compiled by Garett Garrett in his booklet, "The American Omen," and after thinking them over and sleeping on them one night, realize what it means that America is going forward to its destiny under the fateful star of the world supremacy and leadership as a nation, which position has been forced upon us and which we have joyfully assumed during the 10 years following the World War.

The statistics of commerce and finance prove that prosperity is legitimate and is founded on the increasing producing power of American genius (mass production); colossal earning power (in higher wages); enormous consuming power (our enlarged home markets). These have increased enormously in 10 years and did not decline in 1928. Commercially and financially we stand supreme in the eyes of the world to-day. We must realize these facts and prepare to go ahead with full faith and confidence.

Noticed in a newspaper the other day where a girl "rode a horse down the bridal path." Well, that is a new kind of path, and if there be such a one, how can you ride a horse down it?

Ex-Kaiser Bill says it is a falsehood about Germany starting the World War. Wonder if he won't be saying before long that there was no war.

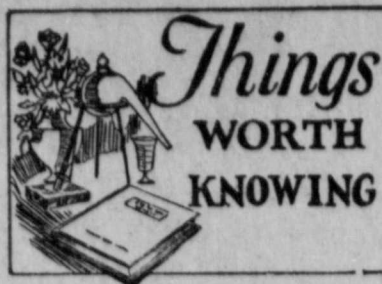
Days are getting a little longer now, and after the groundhog makes his appearance maybe we will have spring.

The proposed 13-month year is probably planned on the theory that one can dodge 13 bill collectors as easily as 12.

Perhaps Coolidge has been the healthiest president because his constitution hasn't been cluttered up with foolish amendments.

Oklahoma has just impeached another governor—so it must be getting "back to normalcy."

The still small voice of conscience also often appears to suffer interference from static or something.



Sweet clover will grow anywhere, but the soil must contain lime to get a good stand.

More water is required to produce a pound of dry matter in oats than in any other cereal—hence the need for growing this crop on land that naturally retains moisture or that is well filled with humus.

If red clover is seeded with spring wheat, the clover seed may be sown on the ground while it is still freezing and thawing. This action will help to work the seeds into the ground. A good practice is to sow half the seed in February. If a good stand results, no more seeding will be necessary; if not, the rest of the seed can be put on in April, harrowing before and after seeding.

Give the range a chance to recuperate, says the Forest Service of the U. S. Department of Agriculture. An ideal pasture arrangement for live stock where the range is grazed the year around is to divide the range into two units, one for summer and the other for winter grazing, using smaller pastures for the poorest animals. Such a system provides good winter grazing for all the herd and also allows part of the range to recover during the growing season each year.

A common cause of poor growth and high mortality in chicks is contaminated soil. To keep chicks free from intestinal worms and various diseases, do not let them on land where old stock has been allowed to range. Chicks should never be brooded on bare land; a good grass range is essential. Treat the land immediately in front of the brooder house with lime or acid phosphate, cultivate it, and so win some crop.

Lack of enthusiasm in caring for the poultry flock can sometimes be attributed to an inconvenient building. Many poultry houses have roofs that are too low. The poultry house should be of such size and shape that work in it can be done easily. Detailed information on how to build poultry houses is given in a bulletin recently issued by the U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C., as Farmers' Bulletin 1554-F called "Poultry Houses and Fixtures."

As aids in producing early plants, the hotbed, the "flat" or box, and the coldframe are the gardener's best friends. Even berry baskets or paper bands or other containers can be used to start tomato, pepper, egg plant, cabbage, lima beans, melons, cucumbers, and other garden crops indoors. As many as 30 to 50 hills of extra-early potatoes can be grown by starting the same number of seed pieces in a box in the living room, or in a hotbed, and later handling the plants as one would tomato plants.

Warbles are likely to annoy cattle at this time of year; when these pests are found in little bumps on the backs of animals, squeeze them out and destroy them. Do not crush the warbles on the animals. Grubs can also be destroyed by using Derris as a wash, ointment, or powder, by pyrethrum ointment, by injection of benzol or carbon tetrachloride, or by application of fine tobacco powder or nicotine dust, says the U. S. Department of Agriculture. Get your neighbors to destroy any warbles in their herds so your cattle will not be reinfested.

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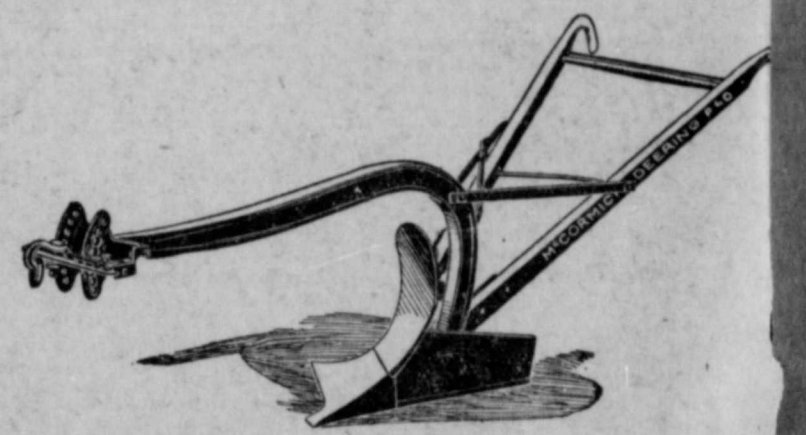
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NEW MEXICO ONE OF FOUR STATES OUT OF REGISTRATION AREA

New Mexico is one of four states that has not been admitted to the registration area of the United States. This means that in 1924 when the United States Census Bureau made a test New Mexico was registering less than the required ninety per cent of births and deaths which occurred in the state.

In the early summer there will be another test made of registration and I am particularly anxious that Eddy county be well over the required ninety per cent. In order to be sure that all children who were born since state registration began in October 1919 and that all deaths since January 1, 1927 have been properly recorded we are asking that the oldest child in each family in school be given a blank to take home and have filled out. We shall appreciate, if the parents will cooperate and return these blanks promptly to the teacher. Of course there are some families who have children who are to young to be in school. If these families will report the births of their children to the county health officer, we shall be glad to make sure they are registered.

It is important that every child be registered. In many places in order to be admitted to school a child must have a birth certificate. Birth certificates are required as legal proof of citizenship and we know of many instances where parents have taken their children into Old Mexico and have had difficulty in gaining admission to the United States. Birth and death certificates are required by the Veterans Bureau as legal proof of birth and death, and insurance companies require death certificates as proof before they will pay insurance. Every child should be able to prove his birth and nationality. In fairness to his children, every parent should comply with the law and be sure that his baby's birth is reported within ten days. Deaths should be reported immediately. Reports should be made to the sub-register of the district in which the birth or death occurred or directly to the county health officer. O. E. Puckett, Eddy County Health Officer.

LAKE ARTHUR ITEMS

(Mrs. Ned Hedges, Reporter)

Miss Mabel Baker was in Albuquerque last week on business.

E. C. Latta and family were dinner guests of the W. A. Hamilton family Sunday.

Rev. Hedges was unable to fill his regular appointment here on account of sickness.

There will be a basketball game here, Friday with Hagerman. Both boys and girls will play.

An election will be held next Tuesday to elect the members of the school board whose term has expired.

Otto Dozier has recently purchased the George Taylor farm on the county line west of Lake Arthur and is moving there this week.

Miss Nantie Spence who was seriously injured in a car accident is reported to be out of danger at the present writing and is recovering as well as could be expected.

Mrs. J. L. McCall was hostess Wednesday evening to the Faculty club. A very pleasant evening was spent over needle work and lovely refreshments were served at the close of the evening.

Mrs. McCall has completed the domestic science course and at the March P. T. A. the girls will exhibit their sewing. They are now taking up cooking and it will be possible to obtain meals at the school house in the near future.

The attendance at school is increasing rapidly, cotton picking is over, the sickness has abated and several new families have moved in. Essil Kimbrough has found it necessary to put on a trailer in order to accommodate all the children on the county line.

The toy orchestra was a feature of the Wednesday morning chapel exercises. The little musicians are third and fourth grade pupils and are under the supervision of Miss Carpenter, musical director. Another feature of the Wednesday morning chapel was a reading by Grace Watson.

GAME ASSOCIATION IS FORMED AT CLOVIS

E. L. Perry of Santa Fe, state game warden and M. Stevenson of Artesia, deputy game warden, met with a number of Clovis citizens Friday evening and assisted in organizing a game protective association for Clovis. The new organization starts off with 101 members.

COTTONWOOD ITEMS

(Miss Alma Bradley, Reporter)

COTTONWOOD BOYS AND GIRLS ORGANIZE CLUBS

W. A. Wunsch, county agent and Miss Velma Borschell district home agent, visited the Upper Cottonwood school Friday and assisted in organizing three community clubs. Two of the clubs were organized for the boys, one known as the Agriculture Club elected the following officers: Doyle Hill, president; Virgil Worley, vice president and Joe Bill Funk, secretary. The other club organized is known as the Poultry Club, with Ed Ward Greer, Marion Petty and Eugene Petty as officers. Miss Borschell assisted the girls in forming a Better Sewing Club with Miss Helen Vera Funk, president; Nelle B. Norris, vice president and Gertrude Bradley, secretary.

F. M. Dixon motored to Lubbock on business, last week.

W. A. Watson motored to Roswell Saturday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Parker and daughter of Hope visited at the home of their son, Victor Parker and family.

Roy Fenter, who has made his home in the Cottonwood community for the past year, left last week for El Paso, Texas.

Miss Charisie Burditt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Burditt has recently accepted a position as clerk in the post office at Bethany, Oklahoma.

The Cottonwood girls basketball team played Lake Arthur at the Lake Arthur High school, Friday in their initial game of the season and were defeated by a score of 40-10.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Hill entertained a few of their friends at a dance given at their home Thursday night. Mr. and Mrs. Hill are leaving soon for Carlsbad where they will make their future home.

Mrs. Tom Terry entertained the Cottonwood Woman's club, Thursday evening. The principal item of interest at the meeting was a demonstration given by Miss Borschell, district home agent. The next meeting of the club will be at the home of Mrs. B. D. Briscoe in Artesia.

FREIGHT RATE, ON HAY PROBABLY SAME

Messrs. Lynch and Lawrence of Roswell, representatives of the Hagerman and Artesia Alfalfa Growers Association, are believed to have provided evidence which will sustain the former freight rate of alfalfa hay shipped from the Pecos valley, at a rate hearing held in El Paso last week. The Santa Fe railroad is asking for a higher rate and the purpose of the hearing before the Interstate Commerce Commission at El Paso was to determine whether or not the increased rate would be granted. Other hearings are to be held over the southwest the next hearing will be at Phoenix, Arizona. Messrs. Lynch and Lawrence had secured data showing the ratio of the cost of alfalfa hay production to the freight rate. The data secured from the local association is the first ever presented at a hearing.

DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTORS TURN \$2,542,885.80

SANTA FE.—New Mexico delinquent tax collectors turned in \$2,542,885.80 in delinquent taxes for the period from April 1, 1927, to December 31, 1928. J. Frank Curns, special tax collector said Monday. For that work they received \$159,499.50. Mr. Curns said the amount paid for collection, was 6.27 per cent of the total amount collected. For maintenance of the special tax attorney's office \$18,359.62 or .72 per cent was needed.

In Bernalillo county \$183,748.20 was collected at a cost of \$10,909.40. In Chaves county \$171,986.80 was collected at a cost of \$11,158.57. San Miguel county's collections were \$94,016.80 at a cost of \$6,120.88, and in Santa Fe county the collections were \$86,243.40 at a cost of \$5,669.58.

NEED PROPER FOODS TO KEEP THE BODY FIT

How many persons realize that it is quite possible to be well fed and at the same time not properly nourished? In other words, too many folks satisfy their appetites but do not always satisfy their body needs. The one who plans the meals should bear in mind to be well nourished the daily meals must supply:

- (1) Foods that will give the body energy to do its work. The best sources of energy and heat-yielding foods are sugars and starches and fats. Fat meats such as bacon are especially good sources of energy.
- (2) The body must have building material for repair and for growth. This means that the daily diet must contain good protein and there is no better source of protein of high quality than meat.
- (3) Minerals and Vitamins are vital as body regulators. Fruits and green vegetables for minerals and vitamins should be included liberally in the diet. Lean beef heads the list of the foods which are rich in iron. Milk is valuable for its minerals, especially calcium, and for protein and vitamins. Water also is a body regulator.

We don't believe there is a dudgum thing to the old theory that when wild geese went north winter was over, because it has been three weeks since we saw a herd headed in that direction—and the coldest weather of the season has visited us since then.

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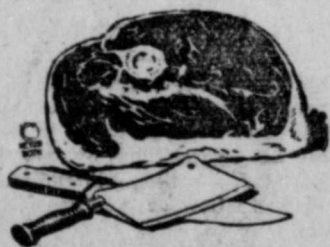


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LEGAL ADVERTISEMENTS

Hd. Orig. RS 2289, 80 acres.
031101 MFN.
NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Las Cruces, N. M., December 26, 1928.

NOTICE is hereby given that Benjamin J. Romines, of Hagerman, N. M., who, on Oct. 29, 1925, made Hd. entry containing 80 acres, No. 031101, for S½ NE¼, Section 24, Township 14-S., Range 26-E., N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Three year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before D. C. Savage, U. S. Commissioner, at Roswell, N. M., on the 6th day of February, 1929.

Claimant names as witnesses:
J. L. King, John Mitchell, Jewel Davis and Jim Bramlet all of Hagerman, N. M.

V. B. MAY
Register.

Hd. Orig. 2-19-09 and 7-17-14 as to O & G 320 acres. Addl. 12-29-16, 320 acres.
028665, 028666 MFN
NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Las Cruces, N. M., December 26, 1928.

NOTICE is hereby given that William B. Adams, of Roswell, N. M., who, on Feb. 12, 1924, made Hd. orig. and addl. containing 640 acres, No. 028665 and 028666, for all Section 25, Township 11-S., Range 29-E., N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make three year Proof to establish claim to the land above described, before Dan C. Savage, U. S. Commissioner, at Roswell, N. M., on the 2nd day of February, 1929.

Claimant names as witnesses:
Clyde V. Ratliff, of O'Donnell, Texas, Henry C. Callahan, of Tatam, N. M., Corbett L. Crow, of Roswell, N. M., and Charles M. Davidson, of Roswell, N. M.

V. B. MAY
Register.

Hd. Addl. 12-29-16, 160 acres.
028613 MFN
NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Las Cruces, N. M., December 26, 1928.

NOTICE is hereby given that Charles W. Morgan, of Dexter, N. M., who, on Jan. 12, 1924, made Hd. addl. containing 160 acres, No. 028613, for NE¼, Section 29, Township 12-S., Range 29-E., N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Three year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Dan C. Savage, U. S. Commissioner, at Roswell, N. M., on the 2nd day of February, 1929.

Claimant names as witnesses:
Joseph Griffin, and Elmer D. Morgan, of Dexter, N. M., Frank Van Winkle and Jessie Van Winkle, of Roswell, N. M.

V. B. MAY
Register.

Hd. Orig. 12-29-16, 480 acres
028600 MFN
NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Las Cruces, N. M., December 26, 1928.

NOTICE is hereby given that David Bassel, of Dexter, N. M., who, on January 2, 1924, made Hd. entry containing 480 acres, No. 028600, for E¼, E¼W¼, Section 18, Township 13-S., Range 29-E., N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Three year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Dan C. Savage, U. S. Commissioner, at Roswell, N. M., on the 5th day of February, 1929.

Claimant names as witnesses:
Charles R. Rains, C. B. Brannon, Elmer Morgan, Harry Deck all of Dexter N. M.

V. B. MAY
Register.

Hd. Orig. 12-29-16, 480 acres
028600 MFN
NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, Las Cruces, N. M., December 27, 1928.

NOTICE is hereby given that the State of New Mexico has filed in this office Indemnity School Selection List 9067, Serial No. 031475 for the following described land: NW¼NW¼ Sec. 24, T. 14S., R. 17E., N. M. P. M.

The State takes title with the oil and gas reserved to the United States.

The purpose of this notice is to allow all persons claiming the land adversely, or desiring to show it to be mineral in character, other than oil and gas, an opportunity to file their protests against the approval of the selection.

L. KEO LLEWELLYN,
Acting Register.

Hd. Orig. 12-29-16, 480 acres
028600 MFN
NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, Las Cruces, N. M., January 5, 1929.

Notice is hereby given that the State of New Mexico has filed in this office Indemnity School Land Selection List No. 9250, Serial No. 030645, for the following described

THE BOBCAT

PUBLISHED WEEKLY BY MEMBERS OF THE SENIOR CLASS

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CHAPEL EXERCISES

Tuesday morning the children were happy to have chapel exercises once more, as the building has been so cold that it was impossible to have assembly before this time.

Mr. White made a few remarks at the beginning of the program, in which he said that the Merry-Swing-Around is in order again, and requested the children to take care of it so that it might be a joy as long as possible. He also requested, somewhat firmly, that those driving cars to school leave them parked at the school building all day unless they go home for lunch, and that if they are only going down town that they might do them good to walk down, and in that way get a little exercise.

Two musical numbers were given "The Shepherd Boy," by Merle Sweatt, and "Simple Aveau," by Elizabeth McKinstry. Both numbers were well rendered and were enjoyed by all those present.

The subject for the morning was "Babyhood vs. Manhood and Womanhood," by Supt. White. Some of the things that he said were: That it is not the size or age of the person, that determines whether or not he is still a baby, but the manner in which he conducts himself. He said that the process of making fine men and women is now being gone through, and the boy that depends on his fellow classmate to do his work for him is much worse off than if he had not got it. He said that the boys and girls are becoming to-day what they will be tomorrow, and if they depend on someone else to do their work, they are preparing to be bossed all their lives. If they yield to their physical desires instead of to intellect, they will not be very desirable citizens, and that school should train them to be independent instead of following one leader just because he can get his history notes, or his mathematics, and is willing to give it to those who are too lazy or indifferent to do their own work.

STUDENTS BUILD RADIO

The first radio made in the school was completed a few days ago by Elsworth Evans and Raymond Bitney. The set gives good results, bringing in stations clearly. The total cost of the set was about twenty dollars. It was constructed in Mr. Hulet's department under his supervision.

ALUMNI NEWS

News regarding the alumni of the Hagerman High school will appear in this section from week to week. It will be appreciated by members of the staff if those interested in this section will submit news of graduates.

Jack West tells us he thinks he can get richer farming than he can attending college.

Some Folks THEEY WaShEVeRy dAY GRASHUSH Howd they get 'at way I WaSh EVE Ry WEEK are thREEn I GeTs ResULTS Believe U me.

land, with the oil & gas content reserved to the United States under act of July 17, 1914 (38 Stat., 509): SE¼NE¼, NE¼SE¼ Sec. 34; T. 16S., R. 17E.; and S¼S¼ Sec. 9, T. 17S., R. 17E.

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 protests against the approval of the selection.

L. KEO LLEWELLYN,
Acting Register.

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DEPARTMENT NEWS

Manual Training Department
The boys of the manual training class made individual lockers for the members of the ball team this week.

These lockers are made of wood and contain ten partitions, one for each player. The partitions are equipped with hooks for clothes, and a shelf for other belongings.

Commercial Department
The commercial department has four new students since last Monday. All the machines are in use in four classes of typewriting and the classes in accounting are almost double those of the previous year.

A new class in shorthand was begun Monday with five students. Those who study shorthand do not elect this course because they know it is easy for they know from the experience of others that it requires daily preparation, but they study shorthand because they realize that it is the means of earning a livelihood and just as important as history, mathematics, or other subjects.

The following appears on the blackboard before the typewriting class. Members of the classes may be able to tell you what it means.
"Every erasure or strike over counts off 20."
"Every error that is not marked counts off 10."

HONOR ROLL

An honor roll has been made up each month during the past semester of those who appeared in the upper one-fourth as judged by the grades of each separate student. These have been made up by the average of all grades made and then arranging them in a descending order and selecting the upper one-fourth.

For this time we are giving the honor roll of honor rolls. In other words, we have taken the average of the averages for the past four and one-half months. The following are entitled to honorable mention as judged from the general averages. They have made a general average of above eighty-eight per cent: Billy Jo Burck, Madgie Bell Dozier, Elsworth Evans, Waunita Evans, Frederic Heitman, Eleanor Hughes, Ruth Hughes, Essie Keith, Beulah King, Paul Lemons, Fannie Meador, Mayre McIntosh, Jaunita Newsom, Joe Peters, Carolyn Sweatt, Dorothy Sweatt, Merle Sweatt, Tom Utterback, Joyce West, Pickens West, Ruth West, Maxwell Wiggins and Ruth Wiggins.

HAGERMAN LOSES HARD FOUGHT GAME FRIDAY
The slow start of the Bobcats coupled with a streak of bad luck served to lose for them one of the hardest games of the season on Artesia's court Friday January 25. Artesia showed good passing and ability for under the basket shots. It was these shots that offset the Bobcats 7 to 2 tally the last half.

Patterson Mattress Company
Old mattresses made new
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- Two 1923 Model Ford Touring Cars
- One 1922 Model Ford Coupe
- One 1926 Model Ford Coupe
- One Buick Touring

SHIPMENT NEW CHEVROLETS WILL ARRIVE SOON

C. & C. Garage

Gas, Oils, Auto Accessories and Supplies
Hagerman, N. M.

ADVANCE ATHLETIC NOTICE

Next Friday's game is with Lake Arthur. Since they are one of the strongest teams in the valley this looks like a chance to see a good game.

GIRLS LOSE TO ARTESIA

The girls basketball team lost to Artesia with a score of 19 to 6 on Friday January 25. The score at the close of the first half stood 16-0. Hagerman guards did good work after the first half. For individual work Ethel Dozier deserves special mention.

NO BOOKS?

Suppose there were no books! No books to read in cozy nooks! No books to fill the hungry mind And teach the art of being kind.

No books to while an hour away, To link to-day with yesterday; No books to charm us for a while To bring a tear or lure a smile.

But there are books, praise God above! If we have books and we have love We can dispense with other things 'Tis books, not crowns, that make men kings.

—Ina Brevoort Roberts.

WIT AND HUMOR

Mrs. Thomas—Is that you Thomas? (Mr. Thomas coming in at a late hour).

Mr. Thomas—If 'tain't, I'll sue for a divorce.

Prof. White—To junior: Say, son when I was a boy I wanted to be a policeman but when I grew up I wasn't big enough.

Tom Utterback—Mr. Hulet if you mix corn with shampoo will the cows give shaving cream?

Messenger Want Ads Get Results!

This appeared in a rather dignified lady's magazine:
SATDAY'S Bathnity this I NO FOR MY FEET they TEL mESO WEn Im WaShed'n Pink and white But jus now Im 'noulful sight.

Junior—Coming back from Mr. Thomas' house where he had been visiting for a while.
Mr. White—Well son how do you like Mr. Thomas?
Junior—Well, I don't think much of Mr. Thomas but I sure do like his mamma.

Messenger Want Ads pay.

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PUBLIC SALE!

Mr. Allen having traded land in Texas and is preparing to move there, and Mr. Keeth having quit farming, we will sell at public auction at the home of Mr. Allen, 1 mile north of Hagerman on—

Wednesday, Feb. 6th, 1929

SALE BEGINS 10:30 A. M. LUNCH TO BE SERVED ON THE GROUNDS

HORSES AND MULES

- 1 Bay Horse, smooth mouth
- 1 Bay Horse, 5 years old
- 1 Span Good Horse Mules, 5 years old
- 1 Odd Black Mule, 7 years old
- 1 Extra Heavy Team Work Horses, 5 & 6 yrs
- 1 Team Good Work Horses, 10 years old
- 1 Bay Shetland Pony
- 2 Bay Mares, 7 & 8 yrs old

CATTLE

- 1 Spotted Jersey, 5 yrs old, extra good milker, fresh in April
- 1 Spotted Jersey, 5 yrs old, extra good milker, fresh in few days
- 1 Blue Jersey, 4 yrs old, giving 3 gal milk a day
- 1 Jersey, 3 yrs old, giving 2½ gal per day, fresh in April
- 1 Jersey Heifer, 2 yrs old, giving 2 gal per day, fresh in 30 days
- 1 Light Colored Jersey, 4 yrs old, fresh now, gives 4 gals per day, with heifer calf at side
- 1 Yellow Jersey, 6 yrs old, fresh in few days
- 1 Black Jersey, 3 yrs old, fresh
- 1 Jersey, 5 yrs old, gives 3½ gals per day.
- 1 Black Cow, giving milk
- 1 Jersey Heifer, fresh, with calf at side
- 1 Heifer, coming 2 year old, fresh in June
- 2 Good Yearling Heifers
- 2 Steer Calves
- 1 Jersey Bull, coming 2 year old, good one

MISCELLANEOUS

- Large Quantity Acala Cotton Seed, 1st year, extra choice
- About 2000 pounds good, clean Oats
- 1 Lot Canned Fruit, all kinds
- About 75 Chickens
- 1 4-Cap Bachelor Heating Stove

FARMING IMPLEMENTS

- 3 Wagons
- 1 McCormick-Deering One Row Cultivator, good as new
- 2 McCormick-Deering One Row Cultivators
- 1 Cultivator
- 1 Spring Tooth Harrow
- 1 Spike Tooth Harrow
- 1 Good Water Tank, 275 gal Capacity
- 1 John Deere Riding Sulky Plow
- 1 Walking Turning Plow
- 1 Wooden V
- 2 Mowing Machines, in good repair
- 1 Good Sulky Rake
- Hoes, Shovels and other Farm Tools too numerous to mention.
- 1 Set Chain Harness, with britchen, good as new
- 3 Sets Harness
- 4 Sets Chain Harness
- Collars, Bridles, Lines, Etc
- 2 Rock Island Cultivators
- 1 Two Row Rock Island Planter
- 1 14-in John Deere Sulky Plow, new last year
- 1 14-in Walking Plow
- 2 Sets Disc Hillers
- 2 Section Harrows
- 1 Wagon with 2 bale frame
- 1 Barrel Spray
- 2 Tarps
- 3 Water Barrels
- 1 Economy King Cream Separator

HOUSEHOLD GOODS

- 1 New Wesco Oil Cook Stove, range with oven, good one
- 1 Quick Meal, 4 Burner Oil Stove with Burner, good one
- 1 Square Dining Table
- 3 Bedsteads with Springs and Mattresses
- 1 Cupboard
- 2 Heaters
- Other Household and Kitchen Furniture not listed here

NO BY-BIDDING

TERMS:—All items under \$10.00 will be cash and items above \$10, will give six months time with approved security or will allow 5 per cent discount for cash at the time the sale is made.

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Col. Thos. McKinstry, Auctioneer W. A. Losey, Clerk

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Sunday School Lesson

REV. P. B. FITZWATER, D.D., Dean
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Lesson for February 3

THE HOLY SCRIPTURES

LESSON TEXT—II Tim. 3:14-17;
15-17-18.
GOLDEN TEXT—Open thou mine
eyes, that I may behold wondrous
things out of thy law.
PRIMARY TOPIC—Our Bible.
JUNIOR TOPIC—Our Bible.
INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—
Why Read the Bible?
YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—
What the Bible is For.

I. The Scriptures Are Divinely In-

spired (II Tim. 3:16).
The first thing to be settled con-
cerning the Canonical Scriptures is
their inspiration and authority. In
the Scriptures God is at "sundry times
and in divers manners" speaking to
us (Heb. 1:1). Paul in this passage
clearly states that the "God-breathed,"
meaning that the utterances of Holy
Scripture were God's breath in men's
mouths. The Holy Scriptures do not
merely contain the Word of God, but
are in very truth the message of God to
us.

The main cause of the moral break-
down of society is that men have been
deceived of their faith in the Bible as
an authoritative message from God.
The Value of the Scriptures (II
Tim. 3:14-17).

Ability to make wise unto salvation
(I Pet. 1:9).

Salvation is in Christ alone. It is
secured through faith in His finished
work on the cross. True wisdom leads
to Christ crucified, since there is none
other name under heaven given among
men whereby we must be saved (Acts
4:12), and without the shedding of
blood there is no remission (Heb.
9:22).

Disciplines the life (vv. 16, 17).

This "doctrine" is set forth in the
scriptural standard of conduct. The
purpose is to find the teaching of God
in His Holy Word. It not only sets
a standard of life, but it re-
veals—confutes error. The way to
truth with error is not by denunciation
with a positive presentation of
truth. The Word corrects (sets
right) the dislocations of personal
(moral) conduct, instructs in
righteousness, and equips for service.
The Nature and Effects of God's
Word (I Pet. 1:9-11).

Perfect.

Is without flaw; converts and re-
news the soul; turns man back to
God and to His will.

Sure.

Is absolutely dependable. God
cannot lie. Man's reasoning changes.
God's Word endures forever. It
is wise and simple. Not only does
it make wise unto salvation, but it
renews the legitimate things of this
world.

Right.

Its precepts and judgments of the
law are expressions of absolute
righteousness. They fill the believer
with joy.

Pure.

There is in it no mixture of error.
It makes no compromise with that
which is untrue. Because of this it
clears the eyes.

Clean.

God's Word affects the life. Its cleans-
ing is from within and from without.
True and righteous.

God's decisions of God's Word are
without exception. The judge-
ments of God's Word are unimpeach-
able. Because of these qualities God's
Word is more to be desired than
gold, silver, or precious stones.
Its great reward.

The Prayer of the Believer (I Pet.
1:14).

Life brought face to face with
God. Word is seen as sinful. The
cries out for
renewing (v. 12).

Perfect laws reveal the imper-
fections of the life. The Word of God
is the slant of which the individual
is ignorant (I Pet. 1:13).

To be kept from presumptuous
sins (v. 13).

Freedom from the dominion of
sin (v. 13).

Awful is the slavery of those
who are in bondage to presumptuous
sins.

But the words of the mouth and
the thoughts of the heart are kept ac-
cording to the word which is in the
heart. From how
dangers the believer would be
if the words and meditations of
his heart were kept in line with the
Scriptures.

Our Possessions

It places no value on anything
we possess, except in its rela-
tion to the Kingdom of Jesus Christ.
I Cor. 7:31.

It rather be healed

up the hands that hang down,
the feeble knees; and make
it paths for your feet, lest that
at any time you may be stumbled;
but let it rather be healed.—
2 Cor. 12:10.

Uselessness of Hypocrisy

What is the hope of the hypo-
crite? He has gained, when
he has lost his soul? Will God
recompense him when trouble cometh
upon him?—Job 27:8, 9.

**DETAILED BUDGET OF
STATE EXPENSE SHOW
REASON FOR TAX RAISE**

SANTA FE.—A detailed budget ac-
companying Governor R. C. Dillon's
budget message to the state legisla-
ture explains in figures the increases
which if allowed, the governor said
would increase the state tax levy
from 7.54 to 11.5 mills for each \$1,000
valuation.

The detailed statement of budget
requests gives a comparison between
the appropriations allowed by the
legislature of 1927 and the appropri-
ations asked from the legislature of
1929.

There was an increase of \$105,650
in the requests made by the various
executive departments. These de-
partments for the present biennium
received \$219,300 and for the next
biennium they ask \$324,950.

Increases Listed
The governor and the board of fi-
nance were the only two departments
of this class for which increases were
not asked.

For the biennium the secretary of
state asked for \$20,200 or an in-
crease of \$500; the attorney general
requested \$47,400 or an increase of
\$17,900; the state auditor asked for
\$22,150 or an increase of \$6,250;
the state comptroller outshaded all
other executive departments by ask-
ing for \$140,400 or an increase of
\$65,400; the state treasurer asked
for \$29,700 or an increase of \$5,500.

The budget request for the state
tax commission was the same as for
the present biennium \$76,000.

The request for the supreme court
for the biennium was \$202,338, rep-
resenting an increase of \$8,038 of
which \$6,500 of the increase was for
New Mexico reports and \$2,038 of the
increase for the law library.

The various state institutions exclu-
sive of the \$928,600 building re-
quests asked for \$2,491,713 for the
biennium or an increase of \$476,085.

Of this group of eighteen only
three asked for the same appropri-
ations they had received two years
ago, and two of them asked for less
money.

The institutions asking the same
appropriations were, New Mexico
Military Institute \$105,000; State In-
sane Asylum at Las Vegas \$290,000
and the Miner's hospital \$15,000.

The reform school averred that it
would get along on \$45,000 a decrease
of \$13,000 and the Home For Men-
tal Defectives asked for \$58,620, a
decrease of \$16,380.

The University of New Mexico re-
quested \$514,289 or an increase of
\$273,289.

New Mexico A. & M. requested
\$196,000 or an increase of \$42,000.
For agricultural extension, \$127,128
was asked, making an increase of
\$20,000.

The New Mexico School of Mines
asked for \$92,000 or an increase of
\$18,000.

New Mexico State Teachers' col-
lege bid for \$161,500, asking an in-
crease of \$17,800.

New Mexico Normal university asked
\$246,000 or an increase of \$84,000.
This legislature will not have to
consider the \$50,000 Normal uni-
versity deficit by the 1927 legisla-
ture.

Spanish American Normal request-
ed \$61,000, making an increase for
that school of \$11,000.

The School for the Deaf asked a
biennium appropriation of \$104,000,
or an increase there of \$30,000 over
the present biennium.

The request of the School for the
Blind was \$111,276 or an increase
of \$3,276.

The New Mexico penitentiary asked
\$242,400 or an increase there of
\$6,600.

The New Mexico Museum's re-
quest was \$72,500 or an increase of
\$17,500.

The New Mexico Girl's Welfare
home asked for \$60,000, an increase
of \$22,000.

Buildings Requested
In addition to these requests for
maintenance funds the institutions
requested the following building ap-
propriations: University, \$255,000; A.
& M., \$156,000; School of Mines \$15-
000; Teachers' College, \$18,950; Nor-
mal university, \$60,000; Spanish Am-
erican normal, \$15,000; Military In-
stitute, \$137,500; Institute for Blind
\$65,000; Miners Hospital, \$19,000;
Museum, \$30,000; Girls' Welfare
home, \$75,000; Home for Mental De-
fectives, \$82,150.

Departments classified as protec-
tion to life and property asked total
appropriations of \$350,930 or an in-
crease of \$22,080. The following de-
partments did not ask for increases:
Bank examiner \$9,800; inspector of
mines, \$8,800; predatory animals
\$100,000; cattle-tubercular, \$10,000;
dairy commission, \$6,000; water pro-
tection, \$25,000.

The National Guard asked for \$97-
200 or an increase of 20,200, and the
State Corporation Commission asked
for \$64,130 or an increase of \$2,780.

The request of the State depart-
ment of public education was the
same as for the present biennium,
\$75,000 but \$60,000 was asked for
vocational education, which repre-
sents an increase in that department
of \$20,000.

Charitable institutions requested
the same as for the present bienn-
ium, \$60,400.

THINGS THAT NEVER HAPPEN



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The state engineer asked for \$26-
650 or an increase of \$7,650, and the
Department of Public Health asked
for \$145,000 or an increase of \$35-
000.

One Decrease

The miscellaneous appropriations
took a decrease of \$7,300, or perhaps
an increase of \$2,700 depending upon
whether one includes the special \$10-
000 appropriations of the 1927 legis-
lature for the ballot boxes.

The Historical requests went up
\$1,700 to \$5,700; an additional \$1-
000 annually was asked for trans-
portation of prisoners which would
make that appropriation \$16,000; for
uniform legislation, \$1,600 was asked
or an increase of \$300; the approp-
riation asked for the boundary com-
mission was \$12,500 representing a
decrease of \$2,500, and for veteran's
relief, \$11,200 was asked, showing
an increase of \$1,200.

In addition to the building ap-
propriations requested, the budget showed
that the state is already obligated
to pay by the one-half mill levy route
\$250,000 during the next biennium
toward the \$500,000 appropriated for
buildings by the last legislature.

The legislature expense was listed
as the same as for 1927 at \$48,000.
The debt charges over the next bi-
ennium will increase \$57,100. The
total interest will be \$269,780, a de-
crease of \$5,000 and the sinking fund

**EIGHT PER CENT OF
AUTO OWNERS DO NOT
HAVE 1929 LICENSE**

SANTA FE.—Approximately 8 per
cent of the automobile owners of
the state do not yet have their li-
cense plates, Charles Roehl of the
motor vehicle department said Fri-
day.

The time limit on which plates
may be bought ends the first of
February, Mr. Roehl said.

Plates sold at the present time
show a 9 per cent increase over a
corresponding period, with the total
increase estimated at 10 per cent,
the motor vehicle chief stated.

In round numbers the increase will
be 7,000 plates, since almost 70,000
were sold last year.

It's always been our ambition to
lead a jass band. As far as the river
anyway.—Judge.

will be \$272,100 or an increase of
\$62,100, making a total increase on
debts of \$57,100.

**LET US AID
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Are you puzzled about what to have for
tomorrow's meals? Come in and see our
display of many good things to eat.

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It is the best desert you can serve, because of its
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You can order Kipling's Cream from the McAdoo Drug
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"The Modern Man Wears a Good Hat"

Easing Out the Spring Beauties



for that manly head of yours. That's been our job for the past week and we can promise you about any shape Stetson Hat you like to wear.

In other words we're making our Store Stetson Headquarters for Eastern New Mexico.

Stetsons Range from \$8.50 up—other styles from \$5 to \$8

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COWS AND HENS PAY GROCER

"I have written only one small check for groceries in the last year," said S. E. Tate, as he was relating his experiences with his thoroughbred White Leghorns and Rhode Island Reds last Thursday. He said his 200 hens and four cows had paid the grocery bills for the family of four and that he had not found it necessary to look to any other source for funds with which to meet the table needs.

Mr. Tate keeps a record of what his hens did through the year and he found that from January 1 until December 31 he sold 1,152 dozen eggs for \$315.94, making an average price of about 30.50 cents per dozen. His best month was January when he sold eggs amounting to \$45.45. May was a close second, with \$44.45. The lowest month was November, when the hens were moulting, and produced a revenue amounting to only \$6.65. These were all the sales from eggs. In addition to these Mr. Tate sold quite a number of chickens which brought him \$113.14. The total from his flock of chickens brought him \$465.08.

The four cows Mr. Tate kept, according to his record, brought an income of \$335.25. This, added to the revenue from the hens grossed \$800.33.

Asked as to the expense of feed-

ing, Mr. Tate replied that it took about half the gross revenue to feed the cows and the hens, so it is fair to say that he cleared on his 200 hens and four cows about \$400.—Crowell Texas News.

IMMIGRATION FROM OLD MEXICO IS SOLVED

WASHINGTON.—The problem of immigration of Mexican labor to the United States, which resulted in the introduction of legislation designed to curb it, appears to have been solved to some extent, in the opinion of state department officials, by an improvement in economic conditions in Mexico.

While admission of Mexicans on immigrant visas issued by United States consular offices decreased 15 per cent during the year ending last June compared with the previous year, latest statistics show that in November last there was a decline of 36 per cent as compared with that month a year ago and in December the decrease amounted to 4 per cent.

Operator — "This party says he can't talk now because his house is on fire."

Mr. M.—"Now, wouldn't that burn you up?"

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Public Sales!!

While some of our farmers are holding public sales we are offering our stock of merchandise for sale and selling at private sale.

ENTIRE STOCK WILL BE SOLD

But as fast as we run out of an item we have others ready to unpack and replace the ones sold—so you need have no fear of our being out of anything you may need. We are not closing out our stock, but selling it in order to buy new merchandise. This sale goes on the year 'round—and you save money by helping us dispose of our stock.

H. Deck's Store

"Where Your Money Buys More"
DEXTER, N. M.

Rodeo Theatre

Hagerman, New Mexico

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1st:

"OUR DANCING DAUGHTERS"

Story of three modern girls who chose different highways to happiness

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 2nd:

DYNAMITE

The wonder Police Dog in
"THE FOUR-FOOTED RANGER"

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8th:

A special at usual prices

"THE STUDENT PRINCE"

.: DEXTER NEWS .:

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Durand were in Roswell Saturday.

J. H. Southard and Joe Winkler visited in Artesia Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Winkler and son, Joe, were in Roswell Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Caffall, of Artesia, visited his parents Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. S. S. Bible and daughter, Mable, were in Roswell shopping Tuesday.

Mrs. Rosie Caruthers has been on the sick list for the past week but is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Southard, of Cottonwood, visited his brother, J. H. Southard Saturday and Sunday.

Tommie Hubbard, who teaches school at Lincoln, visited his parents, Dr. and Mrs. Hubbard, over the week end.

Miss Ethel Weaver, who is attending college at Albuquerque, came in Friday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Weaver.

Mesdames Jim Caffall, J. H. Southard, Joe Winkler and Pearl O'Bryan visited their sister, Mrs. J. W. Dudley, in Roswell Tuesday.

HOME ECONOMICS CLASS ENTERTAINS FACULTY AND SCHOOL BOARD

The Home Economics class of the Dexter High school were hostesses at a 6 o'clock dinner given Wednesday evening, honoring the Dexter school board and Superintendent and Mrs. J. I. McCullough.

The place cards and favors were very unique, having been made by the girls of the class. Special music which was rendered throughout the meal, was a feature of the entertainment.

The menu consisted of grape fruit cocktail, turkey with dressing, and gravy, mashed potatoes, candied sweet potatoes, buttered carrots and peas, hot biscuits, cabbage salad and snow pudding with cake.

Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. J. I. McCullough, Mr. and Mrs. O. L. McMain, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Sharp, and B. F. Adams.

HIGHWAY CREW VS. SNOW TEN ROUNDS TO DECISION

SANTA FE.—A story has come into the Highways Department's office here which sounds a great deal like the action stories featured by the "popular appeal" type of magazine.

A few nights back the maintenance crew on the Arizona Line-Valencia County Line patrol on Highway 66 were snugly bunked around roaring fires while a storm raged without. On the morrow they faced a hard task of clearing snow off from high-backed highways but with the prospect of a good night's rest and the knowledge that such work was part of the game it did not trouble them overly much.

Then came an emergency call with the message that a Yellow bus and 16 cars were stranded in the storm. Maintenance Foreman Jim Montoya routed out his crew and gave orders to proceed to the blocked cars and work until they were freed and safe in Gallup.

Two big tractors were warmed up, primed and started. An 8-foot grader was chained to the rear of the tractors and with the foreman leading the snubbed leviathans plunged into the snow drifts on their trek through the storm ridden night.

The cars were found and were about the only indication of the position of the road, the snow was drifting and blowing so badly. Throughout the night hours the men labored in freezing temperatures slapping their thighs and chests to keep circulation going.

Late at night a path was opened up through the white walls of snow. The stalled cars were all started and got on their way to town. The crew, tired, half-frozen and cramped from the long hours on grader deck or tractor seat then plodded to bed only to be roused out at the first glimmer of dawn to start the same process all over again. Late the next afternoon with the help of the county road crew the last drift was conquered and the roads opened to traffic. Then they turned to the road from Gallup where there was more snow to conquer.

When the story was told to a prominent highway official he grunted and asked, "Why don't some of these writer lads spend a winter on a maintenance crew. They'd get enough material to write a hundred stories of unsung heroism and sticking to the job in face of difficulties."

"How's your car running?"
"Not so good; can't get her throated down."
"How's your wife?"
"She's the same, thank you."

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Miss Ethel Weaver of the State University is home between semesters.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wortman were the dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. Herbst Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Wayne, of Tatum, spent the week end visiting in the C. L. McMain home.

Miss Grace Stanley who is a teacher in the Cottonwood schools was home over the week end.

Mrs. Clyde Barnes, Ruth Reid and Mrs. Edmund McKinstry of Hagerman motored to Roswell Tuesday afternoon.

Paul McMains motored to Clovis Saturday where he met his wife, (formerly Miss Leola Beyer of Manhattan, Kansas). The young couple will reside in Dexter. Their many friends wish them much happiness.

The boys and girls basket ball teams played the Lake Arthur teams in the Hagerman gymnasium Friday night. The Dexter girls defeated the Lake Arthur teams with a score of 20 to 16. The Dexter boys lost with a score of 37 to 4.

The Home Economics girls of the Dexter High school very delightfully entertained the members of the faculty at a 6 o'clock luncheon on last Friday evening. The five small tables of four each were lovely with unique place cards and a tall candle as a center piece. The candle being the only source of light. Music was rendered throughout the meal.

The following menu was served: Cocktail, creamed turkey in tumbrels, stuffed potatoes, candied sweet potatoes, creamed carrots and peas, perfection salad, rolls, scones and pineapple libecian cream with small individual cakes.

Those enjoying this occasion were: Mr. and Mrs. J. I. McCullough, Mr. and Mrs. P. N. Albright, Mr. and Mrs. Goodwin, Mrs. Cazier, Misses Pollock, Thomas, Smith, Shields, Vandenberg, Thompson, Lamb, Rector, Henderson, Zink, Mr. McMain and Mr. McNeil.

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

EIGHTEEN HUNDRED ROAD SIGNS DEFACTED IN 1928

SANTA FE.—Eighteen hundred caution, warning and direction signs on state highways have been defaced or totally destroyed in the last year according to a bulletin issued recently from the highway department.

"From a survey made by district engineers of the various highway districts," says the bulletin, "it has been estimated as a general average that fully 15 per cent of the entire number of signs placed on the roads of the state have been injured in the last year."

The bulletin points out that sign vandals should be blamed for all of this property damage although they are undoubtedly to blame for a large portion of it.

"Cattle using the post and sharp edges of the signs as rubbing surfaces account for some of the damage. This is to be expected and cannot well be coped with as long as roads cut across pastures which they must do in this state," the bulletin continues.

"The case of the sign vandal is different. There is no excuse for his action. Every citizen and road user should exercise his right to arrest when he comes across a sign vandal at work. All sheriffs, peace officers, town and city officials can do a great favor to the traveling public and to their state by putting forth every effort to apprehend such malefactors.

"The laws of New Mexico make the defacing or destruction of road signs punishable by fine as high as \$500.00. It is hoped that judges will take cognizance of this and make this state noted for stiff sentences for this misdemeanor," the bulletin concludes.

TWO GENERATIONS OF TURKEYS IN A YEAR

LAS CRUCES.—Charles McCumber, poultryman, living near Las Cruces, raised two generations of turkeys in one year, so now he has decided that he will grow turkeys exclusively.

Early in 1928, Mr. McCumber purchased 200 Mammoth Bronze baby turks. Out of that hatch he raised 186 and sold \$300 worth of them for breeding purposes. Now he has 125 more baby turkeys hatched from eggs laid by seven months old turkeys and pullets hatched 90 per cent of the eggs set.

Encouraged by that experiment, Mr. McCumber is grooming a tract of mesa land near here for a turkey farm. He contends that the climate of this section and the dry mesa lands on which he ranges his flocks, form an ideal combination for turkey raising.

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LOCALS

Miss Clyde Pearce was in Roswell Saturday.

Rev. Hedges preached at Lake Arthur Sunday.

J. E. Wimberly was a Roswell visitor Monday.

C. N. Moore, of Dexter, was in town Wednesday.

E. D. Menoud was in Roswell the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Alter were in Roswell Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. West have bought a new Buick.

C. W. Curry was a business visitor to Roswell Tuesday.

G. B. Newsom went to Roswell Tuesday to get his car license.

Lloyd Rose, of Roswell, visited Mr. and Mrs. V. O. Marrs Sunday.

C. C. Smith, of Artesia, was a business visitor to Hagerman Wednesday.

John McAlister, local telegraph operator, has been transferred to Tiban, N. M.

A number from here went to Dexter Sunday afternoon to hear C. C. Fuqua preach.

A number from this place attended the basketball games at Artesia Friday night.

Mrs. A. L. VanArsdol left Friday for a visit to relatives and friends at Lagan, Iowa.

Frank Childers returned Sunday to his home at Ysleta, Texas after a visit to his children here.

Mrs. A. L. Nail is giving a dinner-bridge party to-day in celebration of her husband's birthday.

Rev. C. C. Hill, of Roswell, filled his regular appointment at the Christian church here Sunday.

Little Misses Joyce Watford and Martha Carter entertained a number of little folks in the basement of the Methodist church Tuesday night.

"It's the little things in life that tell," said the co-ed as she yanked her kid brother from under the sofa. —Pacific Coast Bulletin.

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FOR SALE—Chicks and eggs. S. C. White Leghorn flock is pure M. Johnson strain with Cockerels direct from Johnson's ranches. Chicks 10c per hundred. Eggs \$6.00 per hundred. Order early. W. E. Haney, Box 111, Lake Arthur, 5-4p.

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY FOR LOVINGTON IS

The surveyors of the United States Government Geological Survey have been at work in this section of the country for several weeks. They have established the altitude of Lovington this week. The official figures give the elevation of the town as 3,913 feet.

An unofficial survey estimates that the elevation of Lovington is 3,913 feet. This is accurate, having been taken by a surveyor using a barometer.

In running this survey the engineers found the general slope of the country to be almost uniform. It is about 22 feet to the mile toward the southeast. It is according to the location of the irrigation plant upon the northeast side of almost any piece of ground, while irrigated and the running of the water from that point to any of the fields.

PLANT MORE TREES

Tree planting time is here. Every property owner should plant trees around their premises. Constructive work of this kind will enhance the beauty of your property and should you ever want the miles will appeal to the prospect with interest.

Have you ever lived in a place where there were no trees? If so, you can not appreciate the beauty of shaded lawns as someone with 36 lived where there are no shades. And, while you are planting, remember that fruit trees will beautify your premises as cottonwoods—and they are useful as well as ornaments.

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