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PLANS TO SHARE PUBLIC WORKS VARY FOR NEW MEXICO

C. M. Oliver of Artesia, low bidder on plugging forty leaky and abandoned artesian wells in the conservancy district of the Pecos valley has been unable to make bond, it was announced at Roswell Saturday following a meeting of the board of directors of the Pecos Valley Conservancy district. Oliver's bid was the lowest among the ten.

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MATTERN IS FORCED DOWN ISOLATED SPOT

MOSCOW — Dispatches from Khabarovsk, Siberia, published in Monday's Moscow newspapers say that Jimmie Mattern, the American aviator, was forced down 80 miles from Anadyr on the same day he left Khabarovsk (June 14) by motor trouble and that the fuselage and wing of his plane were damaged in landing because of the rough terrain.

The American came down on a spot three miles and a half from the bank of the river Anadyr, which on that date was still frozen over. How long he remained there without assistance is not yet known but Monday's advices said that he was found beside the damaged "Century of Progress" by a frontier guard boat which began patrolling the river as soon as the ice broke up.

Pravda's Khabarovsk correspondent expressed the opinion that the rifle and ammunition given Mattern by Soviet authorities just before he left Khabarovsk stood the American in good stead during the time before he was rescued.

With a rifle Mattern would have been able to kill small game and thereby keep himself alive with food.

The Texan carried virtually no food with him from Khabarovsk. The frontier guard found the stranded American in good health and uninjured and taking him to Anadyr lodged him in the guard's barracks where he has resided since that time.

The guards also organized an expedition to pull Mattern's damaged plane into Anadyr but dispatches did not make it clear whether this had been accomplished.

The region where Mattern was forced down in the river valley is rough tundra with many small hills and swamps. There were no human beings nearer him than Anadyr except small Nomadic tribes of reindeer breeders, some of whom he may have encountered.

Commodity Prices In Large Centers Are Hiked To New High Levels

NEW YORK—Sharp increases in the retail price of food already have resulted from President Roosevelt's domestic recovery plan, a press survey of the nation reveals.

Investigations in 16 representative cities showed the housewife must now pay more for what she puts on her table than before April 1. Meats, cereals, and flour lead the upswing.

A composite average of the gains in various foodstuffs in 16 cities since April 1, follows:

Round steak—advanced about 5 cents per pound.

Sirloin steak—advanced more than 4 cents per pound.

Rib roast—advanced more than 1 cent a pound in an off season.

Pork chops—advanced more than 2 cents per pound.

Bacon—advanced more than 3 cents per pound.

Lamb chops—advanced more than 5 cents per pound.

Milk—advanced slightly less than 1 cent per quart.

Butter—advanced more than 5 cents per pound.

Flour made wide swings upward but an average was impossible because of varying quotations and measurements. But it was the one commodity to swing consistently upward. Some cities reported gains of almost 50 per cent. This is in line with the wide swing in wheat prices which advanced to \$1 per bushel for the first time in three years.

The price range in the 16 cities on the various commodities shows:

April 1	July 7
Round steak—	15-30c per lb. 22-35c per lb.
Sirloin steak—	20-35c per lb. 20-35c per lb.
(Cities reporting 35c steak on April 1, have prices unchanged since that time and several cities have gained to 35c since April 1).	
Lamb chops—	20-45c per lb. 25-55c per lb.
Bacon—	14-28c per lb. 19-30c per lb.
(In New York City bacon prices have declined 8 cents per pound).	
Butter—	18-27c per lb. 27-31c per lb.
Cereals have advanced sharply, again in conformity with the rising prices in cereal grains. In Denver, one common breakfast cereal has leaped in price until it is now selling at the peak reached in 1922-23. Denver grocers say that price increases are outstripping the purchasing power and that many persons are buying cheaper foodstuffs, for instance substituting corn meal for flour.	
The cost of living in Hagerman has not risen in the same proportion to that of the larger cities, it was revealed here this week. Practically all commodity prices are lower here than in the population centers. In the food items, meats and flour have made the principal advances, but these have been slight. An average price prevailing here is: Steaks, sirloin and round 15 cents pound, bacon 20 to 26 cents, pork chops 18, lamb chops 18; eggs 8 cents or two dozen for 15 cents; flour \$1.10 to \$1.55. The price of whole milk remains the same with the price of country and creamery butter practically unchanged, or twenty five and thirty cents per pound.	

STOCKHOLDERS OF UTILITY CONCERN TO BE REMUNERATED

According to an announcement made at Amarillo, Texas, Saturday, officials of the Southwestern Public Service Co. and other affiliated companies of the American Commonwealth Power Corporation, are making plans to remunerate the people of eastern New Mexico and western Texas who purchased preferred stock in the General Utilities and the American Commonwealth Power Corporation.

Judge I. R. Kelso, president, and well known to many local people has been in New York for some time conferring with eastern bankers regarding the proposition and has conveyed the information to the Amarillo, Texas, News-Globe that stockholders in that section and in eastern New Mexico would be taken care of. Details of the new plan were not learned and it is not known whether the two classes of stockholders, the preferred and the extra preferred will share alike. Further details will be given out within the next ten days or two weeks.

ADDRESS ON CITY PLANNING MADE BY MRS. RUSSELL BLACK

Mrs. Russell V. Black, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Hedges, addressed the Men's Club meeting Tuesday night on the subject of "City Planning."

Mrs. Black is doing research work for a book which is being written for Harvard University by her husband, who is city planner and engineer of Philadelphia. The treatise is on city planning, with emphasis on building lines.

The speaker praised the Pecos valley with its background of agriculture, its fine highways, and railroads, and especially good climate. She foresees great possibilities for the entire valley including the Hagerman community. In her remarks on city planning, Mrs. Black gave the background of ancient engineering by the Romans, and Egyptians along this line, and compared it to present day efforts in the same work, showing that whereas the ancients built cities for the glorification of individuals, the modern day citizens build for beauty and convenience of the entire groups of residents.

Mrs. Black gave an interesting discussion of the planning of Washington, D. C., which was to be the most perfect city in America. She said that Major L. Enfant, a French engineer, was responsible for the great diagonal highways which led to the Capitol building and furnished views of the entire city. Major L. Enfant turned in a bill for \$25,000 for his work, and when American officials demurred at the price and offered one tenth that, he refused to take anything for his work.

Numerous cities over the nation were cited and the manner of their planning explained. The entire talk was intensely interesting and well handled by the entertaining speaker.

Very little business was transacted at this meeting. J. E. Wimberly pointed out that a number of business men were absent, and seemed uninterested in the organization.

Supper was served by the ladies of the Cemetery Association.

HIGHWAY 83 TO GET IMPROVEMENTS ON WESTERN SECTIONS

Portions of highway 83 through Otero county are due for improvements according to the Alamogordo News. The county commissioners have started proceedings to secure rights of way from Cloudcroft to Mountain Park and High Rolls and from Alamogordo to the White Sands, which will be a portion of 83 leading to Las Cruces, it is understood. It is estimated that the cost of improvements to be made on the Cloudcroft-High Rolls road will be \$230,000, while the White Sands project will be more than \$100,000. In addition to these projects, the commissioners expect to have some \$125,000 to spend on a secondary road from Cloudcroft down Cox canyon to Weed and Pinon. A maintenance crew is doing some improvement on the Artesia-Cloudcroft stretch in the vicinity of Cactus flat.

RUIDOSO MAN IS ARRESTED IN LIQUOR CHARGE LAST WEEK

J. A. Jackson was arrested two miles north of Ruidoso Thursday and charged with possession and manufacture of intoxicating liquor. He was arraigned before Dan C. Savage, United States commissioner at Roswell and was bound over to the action of the United States District court under bond of \$3,500 which he failed to make. Federal Officer R. L. Neal of Roswell with Roy Vermillion, night watchman here, made the arrest. J. C. Floore of Artesia was also with the officers at the time of the arrest. They confiscated a 100 gallon still and 250 gallons of mash and a quantity of liquor.

STATE ANXIOUS TO TEST SEVERANCE TAX IN SUPREME COURT

The state tax commission seeks to find out from the attorney general if there is now any oil tax law in effect in this state.

Referendum having stopped the severance tax, the commission wants to know if the 1925 ad valorem tax is effective. Meanwhile it has sent no report blanks to the oil companies under the severance tax law. First returns are due July 15.

It is expected the attorney general will hold, as before, that the referendum did not suspend.

The constitution holds the referendum suspends a law until ratified at an election; if rejected, the prior law functions. Meanwhile no law on that subject is operative. So if courts uphold the suspension, there is no oil tax till the 1934 fall election. If the attacked law is ratified, it is retroactive.

A decision by the state supreme court on the emergency clause is eagerly awaited. Lower courts hold the legislature can insert an emergency clause in a bill to fix the date of effect, but not to put the law beyond the reach of the people.

The recreational party at the gymnasium Thursday evening was well attended. County Agent J. R. Thomas and Mrs. Thomas were present.

BOOSTERS PICNIC

The booster band from the Baptist church revival enjoyed a picnic on the Langenegger corner last Friday afternoon. There were forty six youngsters present. After playing games until all were tired, the kiddies had a weiner roast.

MARRIES 1,356 PEOPLE

The Rev. C. C. Hill of Roswell, former probate judge of Chaves county and well known to many Artesia people has the record on the number of couples married. Friday he married his 1,356th couple at his home in Roswell. The first couple married by him are still living together happily, he said.

ARIZONA VOTES FOR BEER—80,000 MAJORITY

OKLAHOMA CITY—With a day of ballots Oklahoma said it wanted 3.2 percent but doubt developed as to when legal movement of the state's thirsty would begin.

Returns from more than two-thirds of the 3,313 precincts indicated a majority of approximately 80,000 for beer, Governor Sam H. Murray called National Guard troops into action to prevent the opening of 50 cars of the beer in the Oklahoma City rail yards and declared beer sales to await his issuance of a proclamation.

The Volney Bowen family visiting in Hagerman Tuesday from their home in Fort Sumner.

ABOUT TWENTY FIVE PERCENT OF ACREAGE REDUCED IN CHAVES

Twenty five percent of Chaves county cotton has been signed up for destruction under the national plan of acreage plan sponsored by the United States government.

Cotton prices have been on the trend ever since the plan got under way, and the value of Pecos valley cotton has increased \$1,000 over the low point in October. This is based upon an estimated production of 35,000 bales a year in Chaves and Eddy counties.

Eddy county has pledged 9,037 acres for retirement, representing a reduction in acreage of the crop of 321 farmers.

Y. P. C. T. U.

BAT FLIGHT

Numbers of Cavern visitors are remaining to see the flight of bats from the Carlsbad caverns, which usually occurs about dusk. Sunday 450 people went through the caverns and out of the 450 visitors 202 remained to see the bat flight.

BUILDINGS READY TO MOVE TO RED BLUFF

Fifteen buildings will be moved to the new Red Bluff townsite within 24 hours after word is received that the loan is a reality. More than 40 lots have been sold, it is said.

The Red Bluff Realty Co. owns a large tract of land around the proposed lake shore.—Ward County News.

TYPewRITERS

New, second hand and factory rebuilt in portables and standards—See us before you buy.
Hagerman Messenger

Days We'll Never Forget



TAYLOR NAMED DISTRICT JUDGE

Livingston N. Taylor of Clayton Tuesday was appointed judge of the 8th Judicial District succeeding Judge H. A. Kiker, resigned. Gov. Arthur Seligman made the appointment.

CARLSBAD MAY REPEAL LIQUOR ORDINANCE

Two petitions have been presented to the Carlsbad city council asking the council to permit the sale of 3.2 beer. The council has agreed that beer should be sold in the city limits, but council members are not in accord as to whether the city should repeal the ordinance or whether the city officers should be instructed to disregard the law.

The chief argument presented in favor of licensing beer is that it is being sold outside of the city limits and has injured materially the business of the restaurants and soda fountains.

BI-LINGUAL CONFERENCE

The second annual Bi-Lingual Conference of the southwest will be held at the University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, July 17 and 18. Visitors from many schools in the state are expected to attend.

The purpose of the conference is to discuss general problems of interest in the southwest, with special attention being given to the historical and cultural background. Addresses will be given both in English and Spanish.

P. V. TENNIS TOURNAMENT

The Pecos Valley Tennis Tournament will meet this year in Roswell on July 23, 24 and 25, it was announced last week. The tournament is expected to attract players from all of the state as well as from a number of west Texas towns.

VOTERS WILL DECIDE FOUR AMENDMENTS ON SEPTEMBER 19TH

On Tuesday, September 19, 1933, a special election will be held throughout the state when four constitutional amendments will be voted upon as follows:

Constitutional amendment No. 1. This amendment if adopted, will repeal Article 23 of the constitution of the state relative to intoxicating liquors and will validate laws passed at the last regular session of the legislature relating to intoxicating liquors.

Constitutional amendment No. 2. This amendment if adopted will amend section 11 of Article 9 of the constitution relating to the debt contracting power of school districts and will limit the voting to qualified electors who are owners of real estate within the school district.

Constitutional amendment No. 3. This amendment, if adopted, will change certain sections of Article 6 of the constitution which provides that the state shall be divided into twelve judicial districts with at least one judge for each district. Such judges, in addition to other duties, shall have original jurisdiction over probate and juvenile matters.

Constitutional amendment No. 4. This amendment, if adopted, will amend Section 2 of Article 8 of the constitution, with the effect of limiting taxes levied upon real or personal tangible property for all purposes, except special levies upon specific classes of property and except necessary levies for public debt to twenty mills and will permit laws to be

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HAROLD DYE, Managing Editor

SELF SUPPORTING FARMERS

Authorities at the Texas Agricultural and Mechanical College say that if a person has twenty five acres of Texas land and \$200 in livestock, he can have three square meals for a family of five for an entire year without being out any cash.

It is said that such a living costs about \$600 per year (which is almost twice as much as most of us spend for food).

The plan is based on producing all the necessary feed for live stock, including two horses, and all food that can be had from plants and animals under average Texas conditions. It assumes that most farmers already possess work stock, farming implements, fences, buildings and native pastures.

The plan calls for 2 meat hogs, 50 hens, 1 beef animal, 4 milch cows, and, if desired, a few sheep. Under average conditions, 6 acres would be devoted to sudan pasture in summer and small-grain pasture in fall and winter, 12 acres in corn, sorghum or other grain; 4 acres in hay and ensilage, 2 acres in cane for syrup, field peas, sweet potatoes, peanuts and melons; half-acre garden and half-acre orchard.

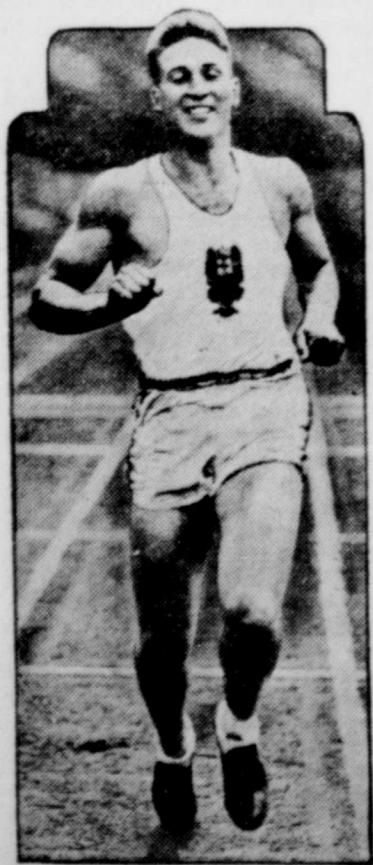
Yearly food requirements for a family of five are given by the extension service as 2,184 pounds of fresh and canned vegetables, 1,456 pounds of fresh, canned, dried and preserved fruit; 728 pounds of protein from meat; cheese, eggs, nuts, peas and beans, 780 pounds of grain, 310 pounds of sweets, 234 pounds of fats, 365 gallons of milk and miscellaneous food.

With exception of about \$100 needed for sugar, salt, flour, coffee and cans or jars for canning, all this may be produced from the crop and live stock units in the living-at-home plan. The cash needed to supply the remainder and the small amount of cash needed for keeping the units in operation may be obtained by sale of cream and poultry products supplied at certain seasons in excess of family requirements.

In making the living-at-home plan self-sustaining, provision is made for securing the protein needed for hogs and chickens from skim milk; for getting protein for balancing dairy cow and beef rations from pastures and cotton seed, and where bran or oats are needed in cow or poultry rations, from trading corn or grain sorghum for the feed needed.

If such a plan would successfully work for Texas farmers, it would work in the Pecos valley with minor adjustments. The self-supporting farmer is the independent farmer. It seems that America must get back to simple living, her citizens producing as much of the necessities of life as possible without being dependent upon outside conditions

WON A. A. U. DECATHLON



Barney Berlinger, big all around star from the Penn A. C., Philadelphia, won the national A. A. U. decathlon championship at Soldier field, Chicago, scoring 7567.19 points.

Odd—but TRUE



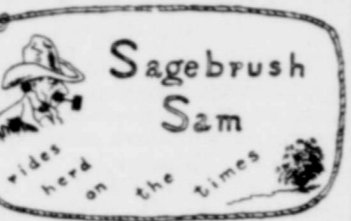
CRIMINALS IN GREENLAND ARE PUNISHED BY HAVING THE OFFENDED PARTY SING A SELF-COMPOSED SONG OF DERISION AT THEM IN A PUBLIC PLACE



ONLY ABOUT 90 OF THE 11,000 MUSICAL TONES AUDIBLE TO THE HUMAN EAR ARE USED IN MUSIC



BANK CHECKS ARE NOW BEING PRINTED ON POST CARDS - SPECIAL INKS ARE USED



That Acreage Reduction

A dumb duck here in town came in for us to explain why the government wants the farmers to plow up ten million acres of their cotton. We are surprised at his lack of perception. It is just as plain as the nose on an angle worm's face. The government loaned the money to plant the crop, and now wants to pay the farmers to plow up a fourth of their acreage so there will be more money paid this fall for cotton. The idea in getting more money for cotton is to put more men to work and bring on better times. Now what this guy can't see is why the government will throw a 4th of the cotton pickers, a 4th of the haulers, a 4th of the ginners, a 4th of the buyers, a 4th of the weavers, a 4th of the merchants, a 4th of the oh, that's far enough to ride this democratic donkey, anyway—out of work. Well, my dear sir, it is this way. The United States government is spending millions of dollars each year on reclamation projects over the country so more cotton and wheat may be grown. It is spending money like water to maintain quarantines, and bug specialists to protect the cotton and insure greater acreage each year. The government wants more cotton grown, but it also wants less cotton raised. It wants a higher price for the farmers, but it also wants more gravy for the speculators. It wants more men at work, but it also wants more men out of work so it can carry out gigantic psychological assaults on the public mind and restore confidence in rattle brained grafters.

Why, good night nurse, Mr. Dumb Duck, can't you reason things out? The government has analyzed the cotton proposition with the same perspicacity that it used in cutting off the war veterans' shirt tails and heaving them out naked from hospital windows all over the country, so there would be more money spent and more employment created. The government always knows what it is about.

Why, you poor sap, don't you understand the reasoning which the government uses in wanting to bring back beer to America? It wants to raise the price of wheat and barley (with corn in the offing) so there will be more money spent by poverty stricken laborers all over the land for bubbles in their bellies instead of food, and so a man can forget the troubles his starving family is having, and help pour their blood out in a beer tax so Senator Peco Boloney can have his ten thousand dollar pine box with silver handles on it when he croaks, and so he can ride in an airplane to congress and pass laws to help the farmers.

Honestly, readers, the dunniness of some people is simply amazing!

TYPEWRITERS New Woodstocks, Coronas, and Remingtons, Rebuilt in all other makes at The Messenger.

RAG WEEDS CAUSE OF MUCH HAY FEVER

Goldenrod, the floral outcast to hayfever sufferers, has been restored to good standing. Ragweed, found in every state, is the true culprit in most hayfever cases, the United States Department of Agriculture says.

Instead of going to the mountains to avoid hay fever, the department urges sufferers to organize campaigns to clean up ragweeds before they bloom and shed the yellow pollen which causes autumn hay fever. Goldenrod pollen, often blamed by those with hay fever, is in fact a sticky, heavy pollen that does not blow about as ragweed pollen does. Unless one is very close to goldenrod, there is little chance of his getting any of the pollen.

Of the hundreds of thousands of autumn hay fever cases in the United States each year, 90 per cent east of the Mississippi river are caused by ragweed, the Public Health Service says. It has approved the advice of the Department to cut down ragweed, as it has found that persons only slightly subject to hay fever may escape entirely if the quantity of pollen in the air is reduced, and other cases will be less severe. Two types of ragweed are chietly responsible for autumn hay fever. These are the common ragweed, which grows about 2 feet high, and the big ragweed, which grows as high as 8 or 10 feet. These are both annual plants.

The Department suggests cutting ragweed twice a year to prevent pollen forming. The first cutting should be just before the flowers form and the second before the flowers develop on the low-growing branches which shoot out after the first cutting. If cutting is delayed until flower buds form the pollen may develop after the weeds are cut. In this case burning the weeds may be necessary. Cutting ragweeds along highways and on vacant lots of cities and suburbs is especially important, the Department says.

Organized efforts by civic clubs and similar organizations in cities and towns and their suburbs can substantially lower the quantity of ragweed pollen and reduce the number and severity of hay fever cases.

Smilin' Charlie Says



"It's along about this time o' year that a lot o' fellers decide whether or not they will have a garden next year!"

CONTRACTS LET ON TWO HIWAY PROJECTS

SANTA FE—Bids considerably under estimates of the engineers were approved by the state highway commission on two projects and contracts awarded to Walter H. Denison of Roy by the commission.

On project of a mile east and seven miles west of Fort Sumner, drainage, grading and base course surfacing, oil treated, went to Denison for \$65,708.83 as compared with the highway department's estimate of \$83,063.29. The highest bid was \$94,330.73.

The other was seven and a half miles of base course surfacing between Santa Rosa and Cuervo on which Denison bid \$24,555.82. The estimated cost was \$29,288.30. The highest bid for the work was \$31,960.74.

The combination project will be finished December 28 and the Santa Rosa project October 15. The contracts were let under the old federal aid plan and thus called for 35 cents an hour for unskilled labor and 50 cents for skilled labor, 30 hours a week. The money previously had been allotted the state but was withdrawn temporarily, then released.

It is not a part of the new industrial recovery program under which an effort is being made to get a 50 cent minimum per hour wage for unskilled labor.

A racketeer on trial for murder bribed an Irishman with \$100 to hold out for a verdict of manslaughter. After being out for a long time, the jury returned the desired verdict.

"I'm grateful to you," the racketeer told the Irishman. "Did you have much trouble?" "Yes," replied the son of Erin, "I had a devil of a time. All the rest wanted to acquit you."

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SEC'TY ICKES TAKES COMMAND NATIONS PUB. WORK PROGRAM

WASHINGTON — Secretary Ickes took command of the administration's \$3,300,000,000 public works program Monday and immediately ordered a speeding up to the operations by which it is planned to give jobs to millions of the unemployed.

As he assumed the office of public works administrator, the secretary announced in a formal statement that the administration would push forward with the full program and would not curtail it until "gains in industry and employment" have been "secured and consolidated."

At the same time, he served notice that the government expected its loans to be repaid and would not make advances to local governmental units "where ordinary current expenditures are not being brought within prudently estimated revenues."

While Ickes was outlining the board general principles on which the public works administration will operate, he was applying pressure on his still incomplete organization to get the construction fund flowing into the channels of trade.

A subcommittee was endeavoring to complete in time for approval by the cabinet board Tuesday recommendations for the first batch of public works projects under the \$400,000,000 federal program.

Ickes was rounding out his staff and was expected to name N. M. Daito, now assistant administrator, as his chief executive in charge of the program.

FILES BRIEF IN DELINQUENT TAX CASE

Setting on what previously has been announced from his office, Attorney General E. K. Neumann has filed a brief in the state supreme court in the delinquent tax litigation.

His brief was in an appeal from Bernalillo county where an injunction was handed down stopping enforcement of the law. Neumann contends, as in opinions, given state officials, the law is not one subject to referendum as his first point of five. The others are that since it is not subject to referendum it cannot be suspended; that its operation cannot be suspended except as expressly provided by the constitution; that the petition for referendum is invalid and that there is speedy and adequate remedy at law anyway.

The speedy remedy at law, he said, was payment of the taxes.

Neumann in his brief does not recognize the "fourth branch" of governments as contended by the plaintiffs. He recognizes only three, the legislative, executive and judicial, and then sets out to show the purely departmental legislative functions are not liable to review or change by the other two branches.

Declaration of an emergency, he says, is a question of fact, and the constitution delegates no authority to review that fact. The legislature, he holds, possesses evidence in support of its contention and declares the emergency, and he says no court can go behind the legislative record.

There was possibility, it was said Tuesday, that no tax law ever could be enacted if the supreme court supported the contention the law could be attacked by referendum. Too, the fate of several other measures rests upon the decision as they too have been attacked by the referendum.

To Make More Hay

Now that the second cutting of hay is underway, remember that we are headquarters for supplies of every description.

Repairs for John Deere Mowers, hay forks, fork handles, baler blocks, water kegs, and water bags . . . in fact, everything that you can possibly need.

Triangle Lumber and Hardware Co. Dexter, New Mexico

U.S. COTTON ACREAGE WORLD CONFERENCE ABOUT 40,798,000 TO ADJOURN JULY

WASHINGTON—An increase of 11.6 per cent in this year's acreage of cotton was estimated Saturday by the crop reporting board, which said that as of July 1 there were 40,798,000 acres under cultivation.

Its field workers reported increased acreage in every state from a 1 per cent increase in Mississippi to 79 in California.

The most significant increase however, was in Texas which produces more than one-third of the nation's cotton. An increase of 16 per cent in the acreage there was shown, a rise from 13,592,000 acres in cultivation on July 1 last year, to 15,767,000 acres growing on July 1 this year.

The estimate does not take into account the proposed 30 per cent reduction in acreage which the agricultural adjustment administration has mentioned as the amount it might take out when offers have been received, consolidated, and accepted on an equitable basis among the various states.

The July 1 area in cultivation in percentage of last year's July 1 acreage and the number of acres by states, included: Texas 116 and 15,767,000; New Mexico 102 and 116,000; Arizona 120 and 137,000.

Prof. E. A. White has one of the most beautiful gardens in Hagerman. A vine screen covers the entire rear portion of the premises from the street view. The garden contains grape vines, corn, squash, pumpkin, onions, and the usual assortment of vegetables as well as some flowers.

DEFY GOLD WARNING

WASHINGTON—Two hundred and eleven persons are defying the government to come and take their gold despite warnings by justice department agents that prosecution might follow their failure to turn in the metal.

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Table with columns for destinations (Roswell, Carlsbad, El Paso, Pecos), departure times, and fares. Includes a section for '19' with specific rates.

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Advertisement for Gateway Hotel in El Paso, Texas. Text: 'Ask This Newspaper for Certificates. Good for Room Rent at the GATEWAY HOTEL EL PASO, TEXAS They Will Save You Money at These SUMMER RATES SINGLE \$1.50 with SHOWER SINGLE \$2.00 with TUB DOUBLE \$2.00 with TUB or SHOWER FAMILY \$3.50 to \$4.00 RATE' Includes an illustration of the hotel building.

INDUSTRIAL LEADERS AID DEPOSITORS RESISTED NAT'L BANKS

NEW YORK—Lag in recovery of consumer buying power, traceable to delay in releasing frozen deposits, has brought a committee of nationally known industrial leaders to the aid of the depositors. A special organization for this purpose, affiliated with the committee for the nation, announced its personnel Saturday. Railroads, life insurance, stores, agricultural organizations, automobile and other industries are represented on the committee to Release Frozen Deposits, which will operate from headquarters of the committee for the nation in New York. The bank committee's action is intended to cover every community where a bank remains closed or restricted.

Individual business men constituting the directing committee are for themselves said, J. P. Morgan, its chairman, a leading bank of exact information on the extent and consequences of the closed bank situation. Communities stripped of their facilities with deposits in closed or restricted banks reflect their condition on the part of every national sales manager; but corporation executives have been so busy with their recovery problems that the depositors' plight and its cumulative effect on local and national business has received relatively little constructive attention from business men.

MEAT GROWERS ARE URGED TO COOPERATE

Organization for putting wheat allotment plan in operation will be in progress in Mexico during the next few weeks, under the leadership of export forces. The wheat allotment plan seeks permanent aid to wheat growers by bringing supply into line with effective demand.

CHICAGO BOARD OF TRADE LIVELY AGAIN

Scene in the Chicago Board of Trade, world's largest grain market, showing the renewed activity there caused by the rapid rise in the prices of wheat and other grains.

THE FAMILY NEXT DOOR



A LIGHT WOOL CROP SENDS MARKET UP

Rising prices for raw wool and semi-manufacture, active trading and increased manufacturing activity were reported from the principal wool manufacturing countries during May and the first half of June according to the U. S. Bureau of Agricultural Economics. In the domestic wool market the increased buying and rapid advance in wool prices which began the latter part of April continued with only brief interruptions during May and June. Prices of strictly combing territory wools, scoured basis, on the Boston market the third week of June were 60 to 80 percent higher than the March 1933 low point and 90 to 120 percent higher than in July 1932. Prices in the domestic market at present are considered close to import parity but prices are still rising in foreign markets.

SEE HORSE'S RETURN UNSOUGHT, IMPOSSIBLE

WASHINGTON—A return to horses not only is unsought, but impossible, in the opinion of experts of the U. S. Department of Agriculture. They report a decline in the numbers of horses and colts in every state except Rhode Island and Delaware. Further, they say, it takes four years to raise horses of working age and there is not enough breeding stock in the country today to stop the decline in the next decade. They believe that the recent activity in buying animals has been due to restriction, rather than production.

MARKETS

N. Y. COTTON

(Furnished by courtesy of Artesia Alfalfa Growers Association)

	Open	Close
July 6	10.73	10.63
July 7	10.73	10.41
July 8	10.45	10.41
July 10	10.59	10.90
July 11	10.92	10.83
July 12	10.77	11.74
July 13	11.54	11.54

Editor's note: The cotton market report was written before the market made its sensational advance.

A week ago cotton prices were hanging around 10 1/2 and those who were objecting for one reason or another to the administration's program and were saying that prices would not hold have now to account for 11c cotton. And still we think there are many good reasons for not selling cotton even at 11c.

Visible supplies in the United States are a million bales less than on June 1st of last year. Activity in the cotton mill industry is higher than at any date for three years. Development at the economic conference favors higher prices. West Texas is burning up and many other sections are now suffering from adverse weather. Quasi-recognition of Russia opens up a vast new demand not had for many years, and the administration's many unused weapons to force higher values, all lead us to the firm belief in still higher prices for cotton.

Grain Report
Monday afternoon the Secretary of Agriculture gave out the following crop report on grains: All wheat, 656 million bushels; oats, 699 million bushels; corn, 2,762 million bushels. Many people have not so much as thought of this report, yet it is a most important bit of news for the United States. Our normal wheat crop is between 800 and 900 million bushels. A shortage of 250 million bushels of our bread crop. Our nations corn crop for years has been well over 4,000 million bushels and this year we have in prospect a shortage of nearly two thousand million bushels of corn which is our principal feed crop and is used in many ways as well on every table as food. Then the normal oat crop for the United States is over 1,250 million bushels and now we have a crop of less than half our domestic requirements. From a land floundering in its fatness we may soon turn to find ourselves in the midst of a food famine. Grain prices are sure to have a further spectacular rise, and to some extent will affect other commodities and stocks.

STATE COLLEGE HERD GIVEN THIRD RANK

The herd of Jersey cows belonging to the New Mexico State College ranked in third place among state educational institutions herds and in seventh place among all herds completing the test in Herd Improvement Registry during the past fiscal year, according to the annual report of the American Jersey Cattle Club. A total of seventy-four herds completed tests, sixteen of which were owned by state institutions. Of the sixteen state herds, thirteen are owned by state colleges of agriculture and experiment stations.

LAKE ARTHUR ITEMS

Miss Ella Ohlenbusch, Reporter
K. A. Bivens and son Melvin made a business trip to Carlsbad Tuesday.
Arvel Edington, who has been at work in Caprock this summer returned to his home last week.
Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Crook and baby son and Mr. Mulligan Crook went to the Kaiser Lake on a fishing trip Sunday.
The Rev. and Mrs. Harold Dye and family of Hagerman were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Flowers Sunday.
Mr. and Mrs. Ross Maxwell returned Thursday from Oklahoma, where they were called to the bedside of Mr. Maxwell's sister, who was seriously ill.
J. E. Jones of Lake Arthur and Helen Goodwin of Hagerman were baptized at the Baptist church baptistry Sunday afternoon by the Rev. Harold Dye.
Mr. and Mrs. Lee Williams returned Sunday from Tucumcari where they have been visiting Mr. Williams' sister Mr. and Mrs. Walter Walton and family.
Miss Mary Funk returned to her home in Artesia Thursday after visiting at the W. L. Bradley home as the guest of Misses Alma and Gertrude Bradley.
Among those who attended the Baptist church here Sunday from Hagerman were: Mrs. Fletcher, Mr. and Mrs. Keith and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Goodwin and family.
The senior B. Y. P. U. class and a number of visitors enjoyed a very pleasant evening at the Robert Murphey home Saturday at a lawn party. After a number of games were played, refreshments were served to about thirty five members and guests.
T. F. Thomasson and daughter Miss Vernelle, and son-in-law, Henry Perry, of Hagerman left Monday for Magdalena to visit his daughter and family. Mr. Thomasson will also conduct a revival meeting in the Church of Christ there for the next two weeks.
Mr. and Mrs. Lee Williams, newlyweds, were honored with a party at the home of Mr. Williams' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Williams, Tuesday night. A number of their friends from the Cottonwood and Dexter enjoyed this occasion with Mr. and Mrs. Williams. After a late hour refreshments of ice cream, cake and lemonade were served.

"COSTLIEST BOOK" DRAMATIZED FOR FAIR VISITORS

Turning upon a revolving pedestal, a huge volume, standing over six feet high, and bearing the title, "Funk & Wagnalls New Standard Dictionary of the English Language," will be "The Most Costly Book in the World," as a nearby poster informs the visitor to the Fair, "Cost Over \$1,500,000 Before a Single Edition Was Printed."
A small lighted ribbon, upon which is printed a long list of words, will pass slowly over the surface of an attractive desk. Placing one's finger over any one of these words causes the dictionary automatically to open and a long finger of light to focus itself upon the desired word and its definition.
ENGRAVING at The Messenger
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The Lake Arthur Extension club held an all-day meeting Thursday at the home of Mrs. Moss Spence. About thirty women and girls were present and this includes both members and visitors. The day was spent in swimming, singing and sewing. At the noon hour a delicious picnic lunch was spread. In the afternoon a business meeting was held. The next meeting will be with Mrs. J. E. Jones, August 4.



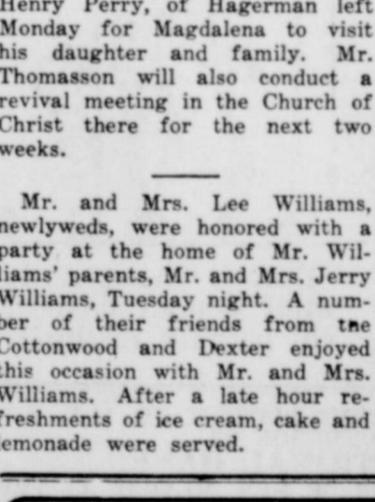
LOCALS

Vincent Barnett, who was kicked by a horse Friday, is improving rapidly. Several stitches were necessary to close the cut which the horse hoof made on the side of the head.
Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Ford and children returned yesterday from an extended vacation to Kenowa, Oklahoma, and Plummerville, Arkansas. Little Ruth Ann has been very sick, but is getting along nicely now.
The Junior R. T. C. Girls enjoyed a slumber party at the home of Miss Mildred Key Saturday evening. Swimming and games occupied the early part of the afternoon. Eight of the girls were present at the outing.
The Methodist Woman's Missionary Society held a delightful social in the Undercroft Friday, with a covered dish luncheon served to members and guests. A program of music and games was enjoyed during the afternoon.

TEXAS COUNTIES WAKING UP ON HIGHWAY NO. 83

Representatives from Dawson, Borden and Gaines counties met at Lamesa June 27, in the interest of paving Highway 83. The delegations consisted of representatives from the county courts of these counties, which voted to offer the State Highway Department right-of-way through their counties for the paving of this route.
It was pointed out that now only four counties remain in this—one of Texas' straightest and most direct routes—that are unpaved. These counties are Scurry, Borden, Dawson and Gaines. Hard surfaced connection is assured in New Mexico, where 83 leaves Texas.
On account of the need for this paved route and the unemployed situation particularly in these counties at this time, cooperation of the state highway department is being asked. Delegates present proposed to call another meeting soon at Snyder for all towns along the Dal Paso highway routing, to make further plans to fill in the unpaved gaps.—Seminole, Texas, Sentinel.

KING OF MARBLES



Aaron Butash, of Scranton, Pa., seated in regal state on his throne as king of the marble shooters after he had won the national marbles championship held in the Ringer stadium, Ocean City, N. J.

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VOTERS WILL DECIDE—

(Continued from first page)

passed authorizing additional taxes outside of such limitation, when approved by a majority of the voters.

In addition to the proposals for amendments to the state constitution as set out above, there will be submitted a ballot for voting for delegates to a convention to consider the matter of ratification of a joint resolution by the senate and house representatives of the United States proposing an amendment to the constitution of the United States repealing the eighteenth amendment and providing that the transportation or importation of intoxicating liquor into any state in violation of the laws thereof is prohibited. The convention will consist of three members. At the present time six candidates for delegates to the convention have been nominated. Those who are pledged to vote "yes" are Mrs. Franklin K. Lane, Santa Fe; Miguel A. Gonzales, Abiquiu; and Prager Miller, Roswell. The candidates pledged to vote "no" as to the ratification of the federal amendment are Mrs. John W. Wilson, Albuquerque; Luke Roberts, Lovington; and Manuel Arrellano, Jr., Springfield.

POSSIBILITIES FOR COTTON

The United States department of agriculture sees possibilities for increasing the domestic use of cotton by about a million bales by the use of cotton in bags and bagging for agricultural purposes, in curing concrete, for nets in power laundries, etc. About 225,000 bales could be used in cotton fabrics to be used in baling raw cotton. If flour mills would put up their entire output for both wholesale and retail trade in new cotton containers they could use an additional 165,000 bales, and if all refined sugar were put up in cotton bags, the sugar industry could use 100,000 bales of cotton more than it does now.—Missouri Farm Bureau News.

Talkative Lady: A big man like you might be better occupied than in cruelly catching little fish. Angler: Perhaps you're right. But if this fish had kept his mouth shut he wouldn't be here.

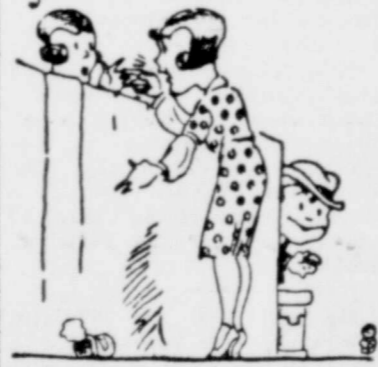
FEDERAL RELIEF TO STATE IS \$94,320

WASHINGTON—The new federal emergency relief administration distributed \$51,531,731 of federal funds to 45 states, the District of Columbia and Hawaii for unemployment relief during the first six weeks of its existence.

Harry L. Hopkins, the administrator, said in a statement this allotment of funds was based on expenditures of public moneys within the states during January, February and March, the federal funds being supplied on the basis of one dollar of federal money for each three dollars of public money from any source spent by the state.

Up to June 30, Delaware, New Hampshire, Wisconsin, Alaska and Puerto Rico had not received any grants. Grants to other states included: Arizona \$208,504; California \$3,444,340; Colorado \$690,178; Idaho \$173,627; Iowa \$189,193; Kansas \$116,634; Minnesota \$491,011; Missouri \$444,130; Montana \$213,516; Nebraska \$150,000; Nevada \$23,199; New Mexico \$94,320; New York \$6,532,282; North Dakota \$43,461; Oklahoma \$814,082; Oregon \$569,665; South Dakota \$137,715; Texas \$2,275,528; Utah \$546,570; Washington \$943,834; Wyoming \$44,628; Hawaii \$44,540.

Smilin' Charlie Says



"Talk is cheap and, what woman hasn't, th' bargain instinct?"

PLAYGROUND BALL

	W	L	Pct.
Legion	8	2	.800
Business Men	6	4	.600
Farmers	5	5	.500
High School	4	6	.400
Lane's Cowboys	4	6	.400
Mill	4	6	.400

The first half of the schedule of play in the playground ball league has closed with the American Legion team the winners.

All teams will immediately resume playing on an equal footing for the last half of the competition, at the close of which period, the winners of the first half will play the winners of the second half for championship of the "Little World Series."

Jesse Medlin leads with 27 runs. The other leaders will be given next week.

New Managers elected by the teams are: Johnnie Bowen to succeed Frank McCarthy as manager of the Business Men's team; Louis Heick replaces Bill Langenegger of the High School; Jim McNamara for Roy Lee Hearn of the Mill, and Ernest Utterback for Kenneth Servatius of Lane's Cowboys.

The playground ball park is now under the management of the city officials, and the town has assumed indebtedness on the equipment and responsibility for light bills. A small charge for playing in some instances will be worked out.

POOREST CORN CROP PROSPECT SINCE 1897

WASHINGTON—Secretary Wallace said Monday night he would proceed with his program for cutting American farm production despite Tuesday's forecast of the smallest harvest of grain, including corn, in decades—the result of the worst general crop damage in 50 years.

The crop reporting board, assessing damage from excessive heat, drought and storms up to July 1, predicted that the year's wheat harvest would be the smallest since 1893 and more than 100,000,000 bushels below normal domestic needs; that the corn crop would be one of the four poorest in the 32 years, and that the output of oats would be the lightest since 1897.

Its estimates, regarded as gloomier than private reports of recent weeks, indicated an aggregate crop of corn, wheat, oats, barley, rye and flaxseed of 3,783,204,000 bushels. This would be 1,408,930,000 bushels below last year's harvest of these crops and 1,105,396,000 bushels the average output for the five-year period, 1926 to 1930, inclusive.

TO ELIMINATE CHILD LABOR UNDER CODE

WASHINGTON—Banning of child labor in the cleaning industry will be included in the code which representatives of the National Association of Dyers and Cleaners considered here Monday for submission to the national recovery administration, about August 1.

The hours of labor to be agreed to, appeared to be the chief difficulty facing the cleaners and dyers, complicated, it was explained, by the unusual nature of the business.

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U. S. GOVERNMENT JOINS IN A SEARCH FOR FOUR KIDNAPERS

The federal government Tuesday threw its power and resources into the search for kidnaped citizens and new legislation was suggested to curb the wave of abductions over the country.

Three persons, all prominent in their communities, were missing. Two were definitely known to have been victims of kidnapers and authorities were searching for the other on the theory he also was an abductor's victim. A fourth was at his home, released after seizure by three escaped convicts.

The missing were: John J. (Buck) O'Connell, 24, nephew of prominent Albany (N. Y.) politicians. The abductors asked \$250,000 ransom. Kidnaped last Friday.

August Luer, aged and invalid banker of Alton, Illinois, no ransom demand received. Kidnaped Monday night.

John Factor, Chicago market speculator, and reputed millionaire. Missing since July 1 when he reportedly was abducted by two carloads of armed hoodlums. The family said it had not contacted the kidnapers but other sources reported ransom demands from \$75,000 to \$100,000.

John C. Lyle, a Crawfordville, Georgia, rural mail carrier was released Monday night after being abducted by a trio of fleeing Georgia convicts.

Federal operatives from the department of justice already are working on the O'Connell and Factor cases and it appeared likely they would give aid in the other investigations.

In Washington Senator Copeland (D-NY), chairman of a committee to investigate racketeering for the senate, conferred with attorney general and Joseph B. Keenan, an assistant attorney general in charge of the federal war on gangdom.

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Cotton Crop Is Spotted This Area

Cotton prospects for the Pecos valley and especially in the middle part is described as spotted. Early cotton planted in March is developing rapidly and many patches have practically grown bolls. Later cotton, planted in some cases sixty five days after the first planting was made is growing, but is not developing in the same ratio as the March cotton. The original acreage was about five to ten percent greater than last year, while the acreage on the Carlsbad project will show a greater increase.

Row crops are also developing rapidly. The first home grown corn was placed on the market here last week.

ALBRIGHT RESIGNS

Horace M. Albright, director of the national park service has resigned this position to accept the vice-presidency of the United States Potash Co., it was announced at Carlsbad last week. The resignation of Mr. Albright becomes effective August 9th.

Loose Leaf Binders, Special Ruling and Stock Forms—The Messenger

Dexter News

Mrs. Ed Russell spent Monday in Roswell looking after business and visiting friends.

Mrs. C. L. Appleby of Roswell made a business call at her farm south of Dexter Friday.

Albert Buhruh of Plainview, Texas, is the house guest of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Kunkel.

Harry Phillips of Chicago spent Friday afternoon and Saturday looking after business.

Tommy Wayne has returned from a week end business trip in Clovis and Las Vegas.

Miss Gene Hurst was the guest of Mrs. Irl Wolf of Roswell Saturday night and Sunday.

Miss Beatrice Marx returned home Saturday from Roswell where she had been visiting for the past two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Pior and son of Artesia were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Garrison Sunday.

Miss Velma Lee Senn and house guest Miss Beth Paterson were visiting friends in Roswell Saturday afternoon.

George Lewis and Everett Stanley who have been attending summer school at Las Vegas will be home the last of this week.

Miss Blanch Pollock will be home the last of this week from Silver City where she has been attending summer school for the past six weeks.

The Presbyterian and Methodist churches will open a church school in Dexter Monday morning, July 31st. Everyone interested will be most welcome to attend.

Next Sunday evening at six o'clock the Presbyterians will entertain with a social in the beautiful church garden. You are most cordially invited to attend this social event.

Mrs. Maudie Cole returned to Dexter Tuesday after a month's stay at Weed, where she has rented a forty acre farm and is leaving Thursday for Weed where she expects to make her home. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hammon will occupy Mrs. Cole's residence in Dexter.

Mrs. Walter Anderson was the pleasing hostess at a meeting of the Ladies Aid Society of the Presbyterian church, at her home north of Dexter Tuesday afternoon from three to five. Mrs. W. C. Sterrett presided over the business routine. The afternoon lesson was a review of the year's work and was most ably handled by Mrs. Hal Bogle. Suitable music for the occasion was also in charge of Mrs. Bogle. At the close of the meeting the hostess assisted by her daughter Miss Bobbie Anderson, served delicious refreshments to a splendid attendance.

STATE POULTRY ASSN. MEETS AT ROSWELL

E. L. Morris, Roswell, was re-elected president of the New Mexico State Poultry association at the annual meeting held at Roswell Tuesday. Poultry raisers from all sections of the state were in attendance and the sessions were held at the chamber of commerce.

Other officers elected were: C. E. Gamble, Tucuman, vice-president; W. M. Ginn, State College, secretary and treasurer. Members of the board of directors elected were: Mr. Gamble, eastern district; J. O. Nicholson, Springer, northeast section; O. R. Tatman, Aztec, northwest section; M. R. Pringle, Deming, southwest section; and Mr. Morris, southeast section. Directors at large are: Thos. J. Pearson, Roswell, and M. N. Cunningham, Carlsbad. Mr. Ginn and B. N. Berry, State College, are ex-officio members of the board of directors.

MARRIAGES REACH LOW POINT IN 1932

WASHINGTON—A record marriage low of only 7.87 marriages for each 1,000 of population was set in the hard times year of 1932.

For the first time in 21 years, the number of marriages in this country fell below the million mark. There were only 981,759 in the year, a 7.5 percent decrease from the year before.

Whether the figure will increase this year may never be known, since there is some doubt as to the continuation of the marriage and divorce statistics service because of another threatened economy cut.

Annual marriage rate statistics date back to 1887 and in all that time the rate has never before fallen below 8.5 per cent per 1000.

Miss Alace Hagan, keeper of the marriage and divorce statistics, said it was safe to claim the 1932 rate was a low for all time past since the trend was for the marriage rate to get higher the farther back one goes into the earlier, incomplete records.

One of the census bureau's axioms reads like this: "It is a well-known fact that the marriage rate responds quickly to changes in economic conditions, increasing in periods of prosperity, and decreasing after a commercial crisis."

Here's how the marriage rate went down from 1929 to 1932: 10.14; 9.15; 8.54; 7.87.

The divorce rate was on the upward climb the entire time from 1887 until the stock market crash of 1929. It has fallen since then, however, 4.9 per cent in 1930, 4.1 per cent in 1931, and 4.1 per cent in the 1932 statistics announced recently.

There were 100,329 divorces granted in the United States in 1932 as compared with 183,664 in 1931.

Some of the state by state marriage statistics follow.

Only ten states of the 48, Missouri, South Dakota, Nebraska, West Virginia, Mississippi, Arkansas, Oklahoma, New Mexico, Arizona and Utah showed slight increases. All ten adjoining states with new and stricter marriage laws.

CATCHING SNAKES NOW NEW INDUSTRY

A new industry is sprouting in the Pecos valley and is a wide field of endeavor. The possibilities are unlimited and no capital is required.

Snake chasers, says the well Dispatch, and snake operators in Chicago have turned to L. B. Lynch for an order for a minimum of pounds of snakes a week. Lynch is obligated to furnish pounds or approximately snakes a week to hold the tract.

Good prices are being paid for the snakes and because of large number of the reptiles southeastern New Mexico opportunities for the users are almost unlimited.

Fame of the Pecos valley snake has spread to Chicago. Snakes are said to be taking with the great many visitors the Century of Progress in Chicago.

Managers of the snake industry of the world fair have the sky as the limit for the trade. The only thing now to do is go forth and capture all possible.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, S. Land Office at Las Vegas, New Mexico, July 7, 1932.

NOTICE is hereby given that Calvin Graham, father and mother of John Wallace Graham, deceased, of Lake Arthur, New Mexico, who, on February 25, 1925, made Homestead Entry, 038562, for All of Section Township 14 S., Range 24 E., M. P. Meridian, has filed an application with the U. S. Commissioner of Land, to establish claim to land above described, before the U. S. Commissioner at Roswell, New Mexico, on 17th day of August, 1932.

Claimant names as witnesses Sam Derrick, Curley Derrick, Slick Derrick, Victor Wallace, of Lake Arthur, New Mexico.

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"The Body Book" in the Hall of Science at A Century of Progress in Chicago reveals the workings of the human body in sections, like opening up a huge book page by page. The spectator is the operator of this visual medical wonder and every nerve, tissue, muscle, bone and organ passes before him like an interesting adventure story.

PENNEY'S CLEARANCE

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CHARTER NO. 7503—RESERVE DISTRICT NO. 11-E REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF HAGERMAN, IN THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO, AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON JUNE 30, 1933 RESOURCES

Loans and discounts	\$ 67,343.50
Overdrafts	62.00
United States Government securities owned	45,335.62
Other bonds, stocks, and securities owned	8,299.75
Banking house, \$7,502.35. Furniture and fixtures, \$3,500.00	11,002.35
Reserve with Federal Reserve Bank	10,846.21
Cash and due from banks	33,677.15
Outside checks and other cash items	395.46
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer	1,250.00
Total	\$178,212.04
LIABILITIES	
Circulating notes outstanding	\$ 25,000.00
Demand deposits	99,143.35
Time deposits	17,445.44
Due to banks, including certified and cashiers' checks outstanding	813.53
CAPITAL ACCOUNT:	
Common stock, 250 shares, par \$100.00 per share	\$25,000.00
Surplus	10,000.00
Undivided profits—net	809.72
Total	\$178,212.04

State of New Mexico, County of Chaves, ss: I, R. W. Conner, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

R. W. CONNER, Cashier.
CORRECT ATTEST:
W. A. LOSEY,
CALVIN GRAHAM,
W. E. BOWEN,
Directors.

(SEAL)
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 11th day of July, 1933.
J. C. HEARN,
Notary Public.

My Commission Expires April 27, 1936.