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TINGLEY TAKES OATH OFFICE YESTERDAY AS OUR 125th GOVERNOR

Tingley Says New Mexico Should Capitalize On Tourist Attractions — Does Not Give Details On Future Plans.

Nineteen guns roared the governor's salute on the state house lawn at Santa Fe Tuesday.

It was for Governor Clyde Tingley, who just a moment before with his right hand raised, his left hand on the Bible, said "I do," in a voice barely audible, after Chief Justice Daniel K. Sadler of the supreme court, had administered the oath of office to New Mexico's new chief executive.

Governor Tingley spoke in a low voice, which often failed to reach into the farther parts of the Hall of Representatives. He was hoarse and coughed frequently.

Tingley pictured the historic background of New Mexico, its scenic and health-giving virtues and saw its future to be chiefly that of a commonwealth which will seek to build up a tourist business as its principal industry. He asserted the state did not need and could not accommodate successfully a rapid increase in population; that it did not have the transportation facilities to allow it to compete with great industrial centers, but that it does possess and should capitalize more upon its allurements for the traveler and the visitors from other states and nations.

The new governor did not go into detail concerning his administrative plans. In fact, other than to mention economy in government and the requirement from employees of honest service, he waved aside any definite statement of policy or program.

Two appointments were announced by the governor soon after he took the oath of office, Woodward Saunders of Roswell as bank examiner, and W. H. McMains of Albuquerque as his private secretary. Both entered their new duties yesterday.

It was generally understood in the capitol that R. C. Charlton of Albuquerque would be named to the office of adjutant general and Brigadier General Osborne C. Wood, present adjutant general, said after the ceremonies he would issue an order promoting Charlton to the rank of colonel forthwith if Charlton was to receive the appointment.

Gov. A. W. Hockenbush, in his address of farewell to the office he has occupied since the death of Gov. Arthur Seligman in September, 1933, dealt also in generalities. He referred to the tax problem and pointed out that the 20-mill levy limit had left the state with a deficit which the people, in its adoption, did not indicate how to replace.

His parting advice to Governor Tingley was "Pray often, promise little, perform much and don't worry."

Tingley became the 125th governor of New Mexico since 1598 when Don Juan De Onate was made governor.

The Federal Oil Codes Is Upheld Monday In Los Angeles Court

The legality of the federal oil code regulating production was upheld in a temporary injunction granted at Los Angeles, California, Monday by Federal Judge Paul J. McCormick.

The injunction was sought by United States Attorney Pierson M. Hall to restrain the Wilshire Oil Company and subsidiaries from exceeding the production quota allowed under the NRA code.

The companies attacked the code as unconstitutional and contended it could not be applied to production. The court held the code was constitutional and granted a temporary restraining order.

The Wilshire Oil Company also asked that the government be enjoined from enforcing quota regulations on the ground the oil concern was engaged in intrastate rather than interstate commerce.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Prentice spent Christmas with Mrs. Prentice's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Burrell and family. Mr. Prentice has been at a CCC camp.

14,000 Head of Deer In Lincoln Forest Now Say Estimates

It is estimated that there are 14,000 head of deer on the areas of the Lincoln Forest, says the Alamogordo News. Only ten per cent, it is estimated, were slaughtered during the past hunting season, which is considerably less than the annual increase. Deer are too thick on a number of the areas, and plans are being studied to reduce numbers in some practical manner.

Forest officials and game experts unite in the opinion that so well as some of the brushy areas of the Lincoln Forest areas adapted to kill off all the deer, or at least, practically so.

The recent drought has threatened the existence of large number of deer more certainly than could an army of hunters.

The estimate as to the number of deer on the Lincoln Forest, is made from a compilation of reports by rangers, hunters, ranchmen, and is believed to be fairly accurate.

Appointment Farm Census Takers Is Not Yet Complete

Appointments of enumerators as announced by G. L. Martin, supervisor second district of New Mexico, include three for Chaves county, one for Eddy county, and two for Lea county. Other appointments will follow as soon as qualifications of applicants are determined. Eight enumerators will be employed in Chaves county, nine in Eddy county, and six in Lea county.

Chaves county leads in the number of applications for positions as enumerators, having filed 107 applications, with Curry county next with 76 applications.

A total of 650 applications are filed in Clovis for the 139 positions for the second district.

The appointments made to date follow:

For Curry county: M. E. Cook, Mrs. W. E. Charlton, Victor O. Brannon, E. G. Blair, Mrs. Corene Northcutt, Carl Keirse, Dayton Harris.

For Roosevelt county: Robert L. Deen, Ross E. Martin, S. E. Johnson, C. E. Herbert, T. E. Davis, Jr.

For Quay county: M. E. Ramsey, Mrs. S. W. Newbanks, W. C. Lee, Arch R. McDonald.

For Chaves county: S. A. Pritchard, G. M. Sterrett, B. L. Barnett.

For De Baca county: W. J. Decker, C. P. Stone.

For Lea county: Mrs. Orren Beatty, Lowell Pittman.

For Eddy county: Robert B. Culpepper.

Mr. and Mrs. Waldon Jacobson have a new baby boy, who made his arrival New Year's morning. Congratulations!

Campbell Burrell came in from the CCC camp near El Paso to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Burrell and family.

Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Boyce entertained with a lovely Christmas dinner, having as their guests, Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Allen and children, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Boyce of Buffalo Valley, Mr. and Mrs. Duke Thompson and children.

From the El Paso Times comes some interesting news as follows: "Included among the wedding news of special interest for the past Christmas season is that of Ralph (Choppy) Lowenfield to Mrs. Helen Moore Leftwich. Their wedding will be solemnized in the home of Mrs. Leftwich's mother, Mrs. James W. Gibb, 2902 Copper street, during January."

Mrs. Leftwich is quite well known here. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Moore, who live northwest of Hagerman.

Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Devenport, Dorothy Sue and Miss Ida Bee Lemon returned last week from a trip to Silverton, Texas, where they visited the Will Newmans. On their return trip they came by way of Tiabon and visited the Clarence Devenports. Will Newman returned with them and will be here about ten days.

Joe Parker of Hope sold a car of calves to Armstrong and Armstrong and the calves were shipped from the Lakewood pens Monday to Lathrop, Missouri.

Ten Selected On The Jury In Hauptmann Kidnapping Trial

FLEMINGTON, N. J.—Bruno Richard Hauptmann's dramatic trial for the kidnap-murder of the Lindbergh baby turned swiftly last night toward opening testimony of the baby's famous father and mother and the nurse, Betty Gow.

With a jury all but complete, the celebrated trial moved thru opening preliminaries in the jammed, 18th century courtroom of Hunterdon county at unexpected speed yesterday. When the sessions were adjourned until morning ten persons, four of them women, had been chosen to try the glum and sullen German carpenter for his life.

CHANGES ON COTTONWOOD

Several farms in the Cottonwood area are changing operators and a few farms have been sold. Mrs. George A. White and family, who occupied the Pearson farm, are returning to Lamesa, Texas. Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Tucker and family are moving on the farm vacated by Mrs. White. Mr. and Mrs. Ed Taylor are moving on the R. M. Middleton farm. Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Taylor are moving from one of the Pearson farms to the Latta farm, which Mr. Taylor recently purchased. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Ingram will occupy the farm vacated by Mr. Taylor.

PUBLIC SALE

Next Thursday, January 10th, Col. Tom McKinstry and John Emerson (estate), will hold a public sale two and a half miles north and a mile and a half west of Hagerman. Sixteen head of horses, four cows, farming implements, a lot of household articles and other miscellaneous items will be offered to the highest bidder. Lunch will be served on the grounds. See the announcement appearing in this issue.

AUTO LICENSE TIME EXTENDED TO JAN. 15

Governor Clyde Tingley said yesterday he would extend the period to January 15 for buying automobile licenses without penalty, but that after that date the penalty would attach.

DECEMBER WEATHER

The month of December was one of the driest on record. Only a tenth of an inch of moisture was recorded on December 13th. There were twenty-one clear days, seven part cloudy and three cloudy days, records at the weather station show. The low temperature of the month was reached on December 4th with a reading of nine above. The high was reached on Christmas day with a reading of seventy-four.

LARGE SALES TAX

SANTA FE—The state treasurer, James J. Connelly, said today the sales tax brought in \$170,899.93 in November. The collections were made during December. The tax netted \$163,272.93 for schools after deductions for administration, Connelly said.

THANKS FOR RENEWALS

R. M. Ware, H. Steffin, B. F. Gehman.

Locals

Miss Anna Slade left on Sunday for Imperial to resume her teaching.

Mrs. Mm. James and Miss Esther James are convalescing from a recent illness. They are both at home now.

Misses Betty Mason, Elizabeth McKinstry and Sara Beth West were guests of Miss Ruth Wiggins at the Yucca on New Year's Eve.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Roberts and son of Hereford, Texas, are spending the holidays with their daughter and sister, Mrs. Robert Burrell and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Heitman returned last week to Portales after spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Heitman. Mr. and Mrs. Billy Heitman left Tuesday for their home in Albuquerque.

Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Devenport, Dorothy Sue and Miss Ida Bee Lemon returned last week from a trip to Silverton, Texas, where they visited the Will Newmans. On their return trip they came by way of Tiabon and visited the Clarence Devenports. Will Newman returned with them and will be here about ten days.

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Huey Long Must Clarify Laws If PWA Loans Made

WASHINGTON — President Roosevelt has indirectly informed Senator Huey P. Long that the administration is likely to withhold public works loans from Louisiana until some of the legislation the Kingfish put through the state legislature is repealed or clarified.

The president's message to the Louisiana dictator was contained in a letter he sent Governor O. K. Allen of Louisiana. The communication was similar in some respects to those sent other governors but there were significant differences.

The purpose of Mr. Roosevelt's letter to the state department was to offer the aid of PWA's legal staff to draft bills in the various states which would enable municipalities to take better advantage of PWA funds.

Two Damage Suits Filed In Eddy County

Judgment for \$50,000 was asked in a suit filed in district court at Carlsbad Friday by Clayton Miller, administrator for the estate of Felix Miller, against W. A. Moore, according to information from Carlsbad.

Moore, the complaint alleges, is owner of the Carlsbad Inn, which burned early on the morning of December 23, resulting in the deaths of four persons and sending six to hospitals. Moore leased the hotel and fixtures to T. D. Johnson, who operated the hotel.

Miller's body was found in the ruins of the hotel later that day. A coroner's jury found that his death resulted from the fire.

The complaint alleges that Miller's death was caused by negligent acts of the defendant.

The fire started, the complaint states, in the lobby of the hotel, near a gas stove connected to the main gas line by a gas hose connection capable of being easily destroyed by fire and of a type not approved under city ordinances. The complaint charges negligence for permitting such an installation in a frame building used as a hotel.

Hardin Sues for \$25,000

A second damage suit growing out of the fire at the Carlsbad inn on December 23rd has been filed at Carlsbad. It was learned here that Mark Hardin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Rube Hardin of Artesia, Monday filed suit for \$25,000 damages. Hardin, one of the victims of the fire, is in the St. Francis hospital at Carlsbad recovering from burns.

COLLEGIANS RETURNING TO THE VARIOUS SCHOOLS

Misses Betty Mason and Dorothy Sweet returned on Wednesday to the University at Albuquerque. Kenneth Stine left for Albuquerque on Wednesday for school. Billy Jo Burk leaves this week for Texas Tech.

Miss Thelma Robinson goes this week to Eastern New Mexico Junior College.

John Garner leaves on the 8th for N. M. M. I.

Miss Elizabeth McKinstry left early Tuesday morning for Hardin-Simmons at Abilene.

Miss Ruth Wiggins goes back to State College at Las Cruces.

Steve Mason returns to Eastern New Mexico Junior College.

Miss Ruth Utterback. Tom and Stanley Utterback return to State College.

Miss Vera Goodwin returns to West Texas Normal College at Canyon, Texas.

COUNTY COMMISSION FORMS ORGANIZATION

The county commissioners held their organization meeting yesterday, installing S. P. Johnson as chairman, George Wilcox, vice-chairman and Ernest Nelson as custodian of the court house and grounds.

Dr. C. H. Cudlice was appointed Justice of the Peace in Precinct 3, and Ellis Whitney as constable there.

Ernest Nelson, the new member, takes the place of John Tweedy, past chairman.

CAR OF CALVES SOLD

Joe Parker of Hope sold a car of calves to Armstrong and Armstrong and the calves were shipped from the Lakewood pens Monday to Lathrop, Missouri.

Over Half A Million Have Seen Caverns Since Opening

1934 Is Record Year With 92,397 Visitors — The Past December Is Also The Largest of Similar Period on Record.

The Carlsbad Caverns experienced its biggest December in history, figures compiled at the close of the month indicate. Forty-five states contributed 3,288 visitors for the month to make the 1934 visitors the largest of any year since the national park has been operated. The following information giving the numbers of visitors each month and the number of visitors each year may be of interest.

Visitors by the months of 1934 are:	
January 1934	1,864
February 1934	2,298
March 1934	2,794
April 1934	6,461
May 1934	6,052
June 1934	11,321
July 1934	17,529
August 1934	21,069
September 1934	10,043
October 1934	5,418
November 1934	4,260
December 1934	3,288

Total for year 1934.....92,397

Visitors since 1924 are:	
Total for year 1924	1,876
Total for year 1925	2,453
Total for year 1926	11,743
Total for year 1927	29,034
Total for year 1928	78,469
Total for year 1929	91,462
Total for year 1930	80,144
Total for year 1931	81,159
Total for year 1932	61,159
Total for year 1933	56,002
Total for year 1934	92,397

Total visitors to Jan. 1.....550,963

Jobs For The 4,000,000 Idle Is the Goal Of Nat'l. Administration

WASHINGTON—Jobs for 4,000,000 idle employables and the return of 4,000,000 unemployables to the care of the states were listed in official quarters Saturday as the two major congressional goals of the Roosevelt administration.

This was made known by high officials at a conference with the president Friday.

It is also possible that the president may ask congress to increase CCC enrollment from 350,000 to 1,000,000 and recommend an appropriation of \$500,000,000 for a program to eliminate grade crossings.

OGDEN WINS

J. R. Ogden, farmer of Loving, and president of the New Mexico Crop Improvement Association, won a place at the International Grain and Hay Show held in Chicago, Illinois, this month. Alfalfa exhibited by Mr. Ogden placed tenth, the highest ever made by that crop exhibited in this state.

Locals

Mrs. Helen Gilroy left early Tuesday for El Paso to visit for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Garner and John visited in Picacho on New Year's with Mr. Garner's brother and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Heitman have returned to Hagerman after completing his work with the AAA at Portales.

Mrs. W. A. Losey is the proud possessor of a new V-8, 1935 model four door sedan. Santa Claus was the donor. Congratulations! It is a beauty.

We are sorry to report that Mrs. Benny Knoll, who was in a car accident about two months ago, is not yet able to be up very much. She is at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Knoll west of Hagerman.

The Hagerman basketball team are expecting their new suits today and feel sure of a victory on Friday evening in a combat with the Phillips Petroleum team from Hobbs.

Donald West left Wednesday afternoon for Las Vegas, where he will enter Las Vegas Normal University. During his spare hours, he will assist Mr. and Mrs. Edmund McKinstry in the "Sweet Shop."

General News Briefs

A plan to double the CCC enrollment was under consideration by President Roosevelt last week, as part of the winter relief program. The age limit may be broadened under the new plan and the number of men and boys increased to 1,000,000.

President Roosevelt in a letter issued on the soldier bonus question Monday let it be known that he would oppose the payment of the bonus at this time.

An intense undulating earthquake shook a wide area in southern California, Arizona, and northern Mexico Monday, injuring three persons and demolishing many adobe houses in Mexico. The earthquake was felt over a territory of 250 miles reaching as far north as Los Angeles and as far east as Phoenix, Arizona.

Four men were rescued from a fallen airplane near Morehouseville, New York, after an American Airways plane had catapulted Friday night in a snow storm. Rescuers waded snow waist deep to find the four men huddled around a small fire with hope almost gone.

Governor-elect Clyde Tingley is expected to resign from the Albuquerque City Commission within the next few days, according to an announcement from Albuquerque.

The federal department of justice Monday began a strong drive to eliminate the shattered forces of the Dillinger gang. With the arrest of John Paul Chase at San Francisco, the government let it be known all resources had been thrown into play to wipe out the last auxiliary of the gang.

A number of young people of the Methodist church and a few friends spent Christmas Eve in singing carols and hymns. They visited about twenty homes, several of them homes of elderly people and those who are ill. Their singing was much enjoyed and it is hoped that this custom which has been carried out for several years will become an annual one.

FOUR HIGHWAY CONTRACTS AWARDED

Contracts on four highway projects, calling for an expenditure of \$350,622.88, were awarded Friday afternoon by the State Highway Commission at Santa Fe.

Among the projects awarded of interest locally are:

NHR 165-E, grading, minor drainage structures and base course surfacing on 5.205 miles between Tularosa and the Mescalero Indian Reservation in Otero county; Lee Moor Construction Company, El Paso, Texas, \$79,877.65.

NRS 237, grading, minor drainage structures and selected material surfacing on 14.488 miles between Eunice and Jal in Lea county; Skousen Brothers, Albuquerque, \$79,084.82.

LOCALS

Miss Marian Key is quite ill with influenza.

Roy Slade left early in the week for Las Cruces, where he is a student at State College.

Mrs. Hugo Jacobson and Mrs. Blanche Hughes were business visitors in Roswell yesterday.

Frank McCarthy, our genial druggist, has been made chairman of the Better Housing Program for Hagerman.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Nash left last week for Morton, Texas, after spending the holidays with Mrs. Nash's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Key.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Jack West returned on Tuesday evening from a Christmas vacation spent in Silver City and Deming. It would not do for Ben Jack to stay any longer, we think he was "eating them out of house and home," for he said he had gained a pound per day.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Burk entertained with a lovely six o'clock turkey dinner on Christmas, having as their guests the L. R. Burk family. The occasion was also Mrs. L. R. Burk's birthday. An attractive Christmas tree, gay with decorations and colored lights, bore presents for all. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Burk, Misses Maryedna and Hannah Jane Burk, Billy Jo Burk of Texas Tech, Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Burk and children, Louie III, Valera and Barbara.

D. Chavez Loses His Election Contest In The Supreme Court

The New Mexico state supreme court Monday closed the way in the state to further contest by Congressman Dennis Chavez, democrat, to gain the seat of Senator Bronson Cutting, republican, in the United States Senate.

Cutting, elected on the face of returns by some 1,300 votes, was challenged by Chavez who claimed one county alone elected Cutting and that county was loaded with unregistered votes. On that premise, Chavez went to the supreme court asking a writ of mandamus to compel the state canvassing board to issue him a certificate.

Just Saturday, republicans took a copy of Chavez' complaint, changed the names of candidates to include the governor, secretary of state and congressman, named 14 more counties and sought the same end. Monday morning the republicans sought a restraining order holding the canvassing board from acting until the high court disposed of the mandamus matters. This injunction was filed with the supreme court.

Right on the heels of that move, the canvassing board conferred with the supreme court and within an hour the high court dismissed all litigation, permitting the canvassing board to proceed. This the board did, issuing certificates to all democratic candidates, national and state, except Chavez, who sought the senate six-year seat. This certificate went to Cutting.

Now the fight goes to Washington, apparently. Chavez has discussed the matter there, his attorney Hannett has been there. Chavez' first charge was excess campaign expenditures by Cutting but Monday Senator Myrnes, chairman of that senate committee, said the investigation would not be pursued—any contest would go to the privileges and election committee. Senator Joe Robinson said it appeared Senator Cutting would be seated unless some reason "unknown to me" arose.

Democratic State Chairman John Miles in a statement Monday said: "We are not prepared at the present time to state our further course of action, but we believe that any fight for the right is a fight worth making. We still believe Congressman Chavez was duly and legally elected to the office of senator and we shall predicate our future course of action along that belief."

Chavez, somewhere in Santa Fe, could not be reached. Hannett also could not be reached.

Election certificates were signed and delivered Monday by the state canvassing board to all the democratic candidates except Dennis Chavez, senatorial candidate, and that certificate was given to Senator Bronson Cutting, republican, who will take the long term seat in the senate.

The action marked the close of litigation and dispute raging in the state since election day and of republicans countering the legal intensified by a last minute move tilted opened by Chavez to take the certificate.

Six Oil Locations Are Staked In The Oil Sector The Past Week

The following oil locations have been staked since Christmas: The Gypsy Oil Co., Bell Ramsey No. 3, SW SW sec. 9-21-36; Gypsy Oil Co., A. F. Houston No. 1, SE SE sec. 7-21-36; Atlantic Oil Co., State 1-B, SE sec. 20-21-36; Continental Oil Co., Vaughn A-14 No. 2, sec. 14-24-36; Continental Oil Co., Vaughn A-15 No. 2, sec. 15-24-36; General Crude, State No. 1, sec. 32-21-36.

ROSWELL MAN TO OIL MEET

Attorney Hiram M. Dow of Roswell left Tuesday for Ponca City, Oklahoma, to attend, as the representative of Governor-elect Clyde Tingley, the conference of the governors of oil producing states, and their representatives, which has been called by Governor-elect E. W. Marland of Oklahoma, for the purpose of formulating plans for the control of the production of oil in the United States. This conference began Wednesday, at the home of Mr. Marland.

AMARILLO WINS TEXAS GRID CHAMPIONSHIP

Amarillo trounced Corpus Christi, 48 to 0 at Dallas Saturday afternoon to win the Texas interscholastic football title. Twenty-one thousand persons saw the game.

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THE SOUTHWEST RECUPERATES

The current mid-month digest of trade conditions in the southwest, compiled by the Commerce Trust Company of Kansas City, supports the cheering impression created by the remarkable recuperative powers of this part of the country. Noting that "the general volume of trade is proportionately in excess of the volume of the season's harvest," the bank suggests the presence of three contributing factors. One is the influence of federal expenditures for agricultural relief. Another is the growth of public confidence in the future. And a third involves the vast natural resources of the southwestern states.

It would be a thankless task to attempt to evaluate these factors. They react upon each other. Thus the government payments undoubtedly have fostered confidence that also depends upon the natural wealth of the territory. The bank authorities, in addition, are inclined to give credit to the improved monetary situation. But the fact remains that, after a drought which took on the proportions of a major disaster, the southwest has shown an extraordinary economic vitality, reflected both in trade statistics and restored confidence which seems to permeate consumers, producers and distributors alike.

There is perhaps one element in the situation that has not yet been given adequate weight. And that is the character of the population in this part of the United States. The pioneer strain here still is strong. It is pre-dominantly that of independent, practical and courageous. The people know their country intimately and their confidence in its possibilities is not easily shaken. Given half a chance to recover its foreign markets, the southwest now is in a position to go forward on a sound basis.—Kansas City Star.

TRANSPORTATION

It is difficult for the ordinary mind to comprehend the volume of transportation. Even when we think of the covered wagon days we are apt to visualize occasional wagon trains adventuring on doubtful expeditions, serving as means of pioneering or prospecting rather than freight transports. Yet we are told by Herman L. Traber, veteran railroader, that in 1857 alone 9,884 wagons left Kansas City for New Mexico, not to mention the old freighters that went and came between Kansas City and other points.

Yet when this primitive transportation is compared with that of the present, it becomes almost infinitesimal. Again, to quote Mr. Traber, 150 passenger trains now arrive and leave Kansas City every day. Grain, grain products and livestock alone required 22,000 cars for each day in and out of Kansas City last year. Add to this rolling stock all that is needed for other kinds of freight, and the total must be enormous. Besides, we have trucks, passenger cars and airplanes. The grand total of carriers and cargoes is almost too big to comprehend. The picture is a striking commentary of the development of the great middle west, measured from Kansas City as a transportation center. At this center converge railroads having an aggregate mileage of 75,000 30 per cent of the total in the United States.—Kansas City Star.

Did you ever hear how the Scotch highball started?

Back in the good old days when the Scotch and the English used to crack the heads of each other, they drank their liquor straight. Some peace-makers got them together and they planned a big celebration, and each side was supposed to bring part of the refreshments.

Some smart Scotchman invented the Scotch highball and the Englishmen brought the liquor and the Scotchmen brought the water. And the war started all over again.

City Camper: What's this stuff? Country Cousin: Gosh, that's poison ivy.

City Camper: Well, don't worry. I just picked some; I haven't eaten any.

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENTS

NOTICE STATE ENGINEER'S OFFICE

Number of application RA-1204 Santa Fe, N. M., Dec. 17, 1934. Notice is hereby given that on the 13th day of December, 1934, in accordance with Chapter 131 of the Session Laws of 1931, John M. Norris of Lake Arthur, County of Chaves, State of New Mexico, made application to the State Engineer of New Mexico for a permit to appropriate the underground waters of the Roswell Artesian Basin to the extent of 4.70 cubic feet per second by drilling a 16 inch in diameter shallow well to the approximate depth of 150 feet located in the NW 1/4 NW 1/4 Section 25, T. 14 S., R. 25 E., N. M. P. M., for the purpose of irrigating 320 acres of land described as the N 1/2 Section 25, Township 14 South, R. 25 E., N. M. P. M.

Any person, association or corporation deeming that the granting of the above application will be truly detrimental to their rights in the waters of said underground source may file a complete sworn statement of their objections substantiated by affidavits with the State Engineer on or before the 27th day of January, 1935, the date set for the State Engineer to take this application up for final consideration unless protested.

THOMAS M. McCLURE, State Engineer.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

JAMES T. KILMER, PLAINTIFF VS. VIVIAN KILMER, DEFENDANT. NO. 8849

ALIAS NOTICE OF SUIT

You will take notice that James T. Gilmer, plaintiff herein, has filed suit for divorce against you in the District Court of Chaves County, New Mexico, the object of which suit is to dissolve the bonds of matrimony now existing between plaintiff and defendant herein and to secure the absolute divorce from you and unless you enter your appearance herein on or before the 16th day of February, 1935, judgment by default will be granted against you and the plaintiff will be granted the relief prayed for in his complaint.

The address of plaintiff's attorney is Claude J. Neis, and his post office and business address is Room 216, J. P. White Building, Roswell, New Mexico. Dated this 18th day of December, 1934.

D. P. GREINER, District Clerk. By LOUISE McCONNELL, Deputy. (SEAL) 51-1t-52-4t

NOTICE STATE ENGINEER'S OFFICE

Number of application RA-1212 Santa Fe, N. M., Dec. 18th, 1934.

Notice is hereby given that on the 7th day of December, 1934, in accordance with Chapter 131 of the Session Laws of 1931, George E. Wade, of Hagerman, County of Chaves, State of New Mexico, made application to the State Engineer of New Mexico for a permit to appropriate the underground waters of the Roswell Artesian Basin to the extent of 2.25 cubic feet per second by drilling a 15 1/2 inch in diameter shallow well to the approximate depth of 125 feet located in the SE 1/4 SW 1/4 Section 33, Township 13 South, Range 26 East, N. M. P. M., for the purpose of supplementing the water for irrigation on 40 acres of land described as the SW 1/4 SW 1/4 above mention Section 33. Said acreage has decreed right under Hagerman Irrigation Company's Canal.

Any person, association or corporation deeming that the granting of the above application will be truly detrimental to their rights in the waters of said underground source may file a complete sworn statement of their objections substantiated by affidavits with the State Engineer and file proof of service of a copy thereof upon the applicant with the State Engineer on or before the 28th day of January, 1935, the date set for the State Engineer to take this application up for final consideration unless protested.

THOMAS M. McCLURE, State Engineer.

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to the approximate depth of 125 feet located in NW 1/4 SW 1/4 NE 1/4, Section 4, Township 14 South, Range 26 East, N. M. P. M., for the purpose of supplementing the water for irrigation on 40 acres of land described as the SW 1/4 NE 1/4 above mentioned Section 4. Said acreage has decreed right under Hagerman Irrigation Company's Canal.

Any person, association or corporation deeming that the granting of the above application will be truly detrimental to their rights in the waters of said underground source may file a complete sworn statement of their objections substantiated by affidavits with the State Engineer and file proof of service of a copy thereof upon the applicant with the State Engineer on or before the 28th day of January, 1935, the date set for the State Engineer to take this application up for final consideration unless protested.

THOMAS M. McCLURE, State Engineer.

NOTICE STATE ENGINEER'S OFFICE

Number of application RA-1205. Santa Fe, N. M., Dec. 17th, 1934.

Notice is hereby given that on the 13th day of December, 1934, in accordance with Chapter 131 of the Session Laws of 1931, E. C. Jackson, of Lake Arthur, County of Chaves, State of New Mexico, made application to the State Engineer of New Mexico for a permit to appropriate the underground waters of the Roswell Artesian Basin to the extent of 3.34 cubic feet per second by drilling a 16 inch in diameter shallow well to the approximate depth of 150 feet located in SW 1/4 SE 1/4 Section 18, T. 14 S., R. 26 E., N. M. P. M., for the purpose of irrigating 160 acres of land being the SE 1/4 of above named Section.

Any person, association or corporation deeming that the granting of the above application will be truly detrimental to their rights in the waters of said underground source may file a complete sworn statement of their objections substantiated by affidavits with the State Engineer and file proof of service of a copy thereof upon the applicant with the State Engineer on or before the 27th day of January, 1935, the date set for the State Engineer to take this application up for final consideration unless protested.

THOMAS M. McCLURE, State Engineer.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Las Cruces, New Mexico, Nov. 28, 1934.

NOTICE is hereby given that James B. Hardin, of Dexter, New Mexico, on June 5, 1931, made Homestead Entry, No. 042722, for S 1/4 SE 1/4 Sec. 3; NE 1/4 Sec. 10; W 1/2 NW 1/4 and S 1/2, Section 11, Township 12 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 Dan C. Savage, United States Commissioner, at Roswell, New Mexico, on the 10th day of January, 1935.

Claimant names as witnesses: Irvin A. Welch, Everett Bishop, Henry L. Miles, Lee Bishop, all of Dexter, New Mexico.

PAUL A. ROACH, Register.

NOTICE STATE ENGINEER'S OFFICE

Number of application RA-1213 Santa Fe, N. M., Dec. 21, 1934.

Notice is hereby given that on the 19th day of December, 1934, in accordance with Chapter 131 of the Session Laws of 1931, R. A. Griffith, of Hagerman, County of Chaves, State of New Mexico, made application to the State Engineer of New Mexico for a permit to appropriate the underground waters of the Roswell Artesian Basin to the extent of 3.15 cubic feet per second by drilling a 10 inch in diameter shallow well to the approximate depth of 125 feet located in the SE corner S 1/4 SW 1/4 Section 8, Township 14 South, Range 26 East, N. M. P. M., for the purpose of irrigating 80 acres of land described as the S 1/4 SW 1/4 Section 8 mentioned above.

Any person, association or corporation deeming that the granting of the above application will be truly detrimental to their rights in the waters of said underground source may file a complete sworn statement of their objections substantiated by affidavits with the State Engineer and file proof of service of a copy thereof upon the applicant with the State Engineer on or before the 1st day of February, 1935, the date set for the State Engineer to take this application up for final consideration unless protested.

THOMAS M. McCLURE, State Engineer.

NOTICE STATE ENGINEER'S OFFICE

Number of application RA-1211. Santa Fe, N. M., Dec. 18th, 1934.

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THOMAS M. McCLURE, State Engineer.

Just because you're all wrapped up in yourself is no sign that you're a prize package, or anything like that, says the Tucumcari News.

Calling Cards, 100 for \$1.75, on best grade paneled or plain stock.—The Messenger.

Couvade

Couvade is the name given by anthropologists to the custom prevalent among some primitive races, by which the father of a newly born infant makes a pretense of going through the same experience as the mother and lies up for a time, abstains from certain foods, etc., as though he, too, were physically affected by the birth. The custom has been observed by travelers in Guiana and other parts of South America, among some Afghan tribes, in parts of China, Borneo, etc. It was noted by the ancients as occurring in Corsica and among the Celtiberians. Couvade is from the French, couvret, to hatch.

Foreigners and U. S. Military Foreign governments are permitted to choose representatives of their countries who wish to receive instructions at the United States Military academy. These governments make special requests to the congress of the United States Congress, by a special act, can provide for the graduation of such foreigners. These men, however, do not receive commissions in the United States army.

Sons Follow Fathers

The extent to which sons follow the occupations of their fathers has been the subject of a series of studies made among 23,361 men in all walks of life in six different countries. The figures show that 451 out of every 1,000 men either take up the same kind of work as their father's or enter an occupation closely allied to it.—Collier's Weekly.

Currency Plates Guarded

All currency plates in the engraving bureau of the United States treasury are carefully numbered and counted every night before employees can leave. If the plates become worn they are destroyed in full view of a special committee. Only one man in the history of the federal engraving bureau ever turned counterfeiter.

One-Chamber Legislatures

Several countries have unicameral legislatures: Albania, Costa Rica, Finland, Honduras, Lithuania, Panama, El Salvador, Turkey, Bulgaria, Estonia, Guatemala, Latvia, Norway, Persia and Spain. Eight of the nine provinces of Canada have one-house legislatures and many provinces in other countries.

Socialism in 1835

In 1835 an English society which received the grandiloquent name of the Association of All Classes of All Nations was founded under the auspices of Robert Owen; and the words socialism and socialist became current during the discussions which arose in connection with it.

Castle of Romance

The castle at Adana, to the north-east of Tarsus, in southern Turkey, dates back to 782, and was built by Haroun Al Raschid, of "Arabian Nights" fame. The magnificent stone bridge in this town was built in the time of Justinian.

Largest Collection of Pitchers

One of the largest private collections of pitchers in the world—1,875 of them—is owned by a woman in Newtonville, Mass. They are all sizes and shapes and hold from one drop to a gallon of liquid.

New York's First Ship

The Restless, the first ship built in New York, was launched from ways which stood where Frances' tavern now stands at the corner of Broad and Pearl streets, in 1614.

When Man Does His Best Work

Man is at his greatest efficiency during ten in the morning and midnight, the time depending on the individual, according to the findings of a European scientist.

Carbon Monoxide Toll Heavy

Carbon monoxide deaths too deaths from all poisons combined. It has been found. It causes more than 500 deaths a year in this country.

Village Reappears From Sea

A fishing village near Tellicherry India, was covered by the sea nearly forty years ago, and now a great stretch of land has reappeared.

Land of Long Ears

Natives of Easter Island, possession of Chile, off the west coast of South America, have ears reaching down to their shoulders.

Beaver One of Cleanest

The beaver, classed as a rodent, is one of the cleanest of animals and spends much time combing its fur.

Edible Fish

Of the more than 3,000 known varieties of fish in the United States only 100 varieties are edible.

Much Sugar Used in U. S.

The yearly per capita consumption of sugar in the United States is about 100 pounds.

How Zero Was Found

Snow and salt were mixed by Gabriel Fahrenheit to get zero for his thermometer.

And Others, Maybe

The laughing jackass is not an animal, but a bird.

Aunt Emma

By CHET GRANT. McClure Newspaper Syndicate, WNU Service.

"LISTEN, ma, when is she goin' home, huh, ma?" George Blake turned his attention from driving the Iron Horse to catch his mother's eye, but Mrs. Blake was examining the contents of her shopping bag.

"When is who going home? George?"

"When is who going home?" "You know who I mean, all right. Aunt Emma; the pest!"

"Now, George, remember she is your father's sister," Mrs. Blake remarked automatically; she had been saying it for weeks. Then she gave a relieved sigh. "Ah, here it is. I was afraid I'd forgotten Aunt Emma's reducing salts."

"I wish she'd take an overdose of those things and reduce herself back to California," George snapped back savagely.

"Don't be silly," his mother advised. "She means all right. It's just that she loves you so much she..."

"Listen," George hissed. "Listen, ma, how would you like it if your private life was spread out for public gaze the way mine is every day?"

"You must remember..." "That she's my father's sister!" George groaned, reaching for the shopping bag. "I guess you're kind of fed-up, aren't you, ma?"

"We'll say no more about it," his mother remarked severely. "A little more than a month ago Aunt Emma had come from California for a short surprise visit with her brother."

She had just turned forty and was working might and main to reverse the process. "Yoo-hoo, I'm upstairs," Aunt Emma's soprano heaved against the walls. "George, dear! Guess who's coming tonight?"

"Eddie Cantor," George growled. "You funny boy!" Aunt Emma twittered. "Of course not. It's the Elston's Young People's society."

"What!" George was in the hall with one wild leap. "What are they comin' up here for? Alas for all his careful plans to keep plenty of distance between Aunt Emma and the gang's eager ears!"

"I knew you'd be delighted, George. Your friend, Mabel Porter, phoned while you were out, so I invited them all to come up to a party."

"Aw, Aunt Emma, I—" "We'll have the duckiest time, George. Ice cream, cake..." "Nuts!" George mooched into the living room.

"Yes, and nuts," Aunt Emma cooed after him. The society arrived in a body for Aunt Emma's fame had spread. Suddenly a bright light shone through the red indignation that surrounded George. The smile he bore as he entered the living room a few minutes later would have ruined a pound of butter.

"Here's my baby now!" Aunt Emma clucked. George caught his father's sympathetic wink as the society snickered. "The meeting," George intoned, "will now come to order."

"Listen to the great big man," Aunt Emma cooed. "And I knew him when he couldn't say anything but 'Goo-goo and ga-ga!'"

"Haw, haw, haw!" That was Skinny Tate, George made mental note. "Say, I'll bet he was all mouth," somebody remarked. "I'll bet he didn't win any baby shows."

"He did, too!" Aunt Emma defended. "Look at this picture taken the day he won first prize at the County fair baby show." The society went into several huddles.

If his friends expected a wrathful outburst from George or a show of discomfort, they were disappointed. He became preoccupied with a package taken from one of his pockets. "Say, Tootles Walsh demanded suddenly, 'what're you carryin' that puncture kit in here for?'"

George grinned as the others turned their attention to this new interest. "Oh," he remarked with a fine nonchalance, "I carry this on account of Aunt Emma's rubber corset. She might get a blowout."

Mrs. Blake and Aunt Emma gasped. George drew the rubber chin strap out of his pocket. "Aunt Emma—" he began when the room was suddenly plunged into darkness. His father's voice cut through the murk. "You'd better come down cellar and help me fix that fuse, George."

The enormity of his deed settled upon George as he crept down the cellar steps. "I ought to belt you," Mr. Blake growled in the darkness. "I... Oh, for Pete's sake, kid, holler for your aunt's appreciation. I... I have to sit down."

George heard his father chuckling and with a relieved grin he tumbled for the fuse box. The light flashed on before he reached it and his mother came down the stairs.

"I turned out the lights," she snapped. "Shame, George Blake..." "I've apologized. I've done everything I can."

"Is she going home?" George and his father asked simultaneously.

"She is not," Mrs. Blake wailed. "She's staying another month just to show us she hasn't any hard feeling."

—CARBON PAPER—The Messenger

THE CHURCHES

Changes in time of worship services, subjects, etc., must be in the Messenger office by Wednesday of each week. Pastors or members of congregations whose church announcements do not appear in this column are urged to send them in. Churches in Dexter and Lake Arthur are especially desired.

CHURCH OF CHRIST (Greenfield)

Morning worship, Sunday, 10:30 o'clock. Evening worship, 7:45 o'clock. Everybody is cordially invited to attend any and all of these unusual services.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH

F. H. Evans, superintendent. Sunday school, 10 o'clock. We especially want the young people to attend our Sunday school and extend an invitation to all to come.

ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH

Sunday school 9:45 a. m. Preaching 11:00 a. m. Mid-week services on Wednesday and Saturday nights. Everyone welcome.

DAVID L. LAUGHLIN, Pastor.

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

Rev. E. L. Askins, Pastor. Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. Morning sermon, 11 o'clock. N. Y. P. S. and J. Y. P. S. 6:15. Evening sermon 7:15 p. m. Cottage prayer meeting every Tuesday night.

Mid-week prayer meeting at the church Thursday night at 7:15. A spiritual church in a friendly community.

METHODIST CHURCH

Church school 9:45 a. m. Sermon by pastor 11 a. m. League service 6:15 p. m. Sermon by pastor 7 p. m. Let's begin all of our services exactly on time.

J. W. SLADE, Pastor.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

James A. Hedges, Pastor. Sunday school 10:00 a. m. Morning service 11 a. m. Communion service. Instruction class 3:30 p. m. Christian Endeavor 6:30 p. m. Mid-week service Wednesdays 7:00 p. m.

CLOVIS IS GRID CHAMP

Clovis was selected state high school football champions last week under the Sabin rate system formed by Owen D. Sabin of Gallup, Coach Frisbie of Gallup, and N. G. Tate of Albuquerque high school.

Albuquerque Indians were second, Raton third, Deming fourth, Albuquerque high school fifth, and Roswell sixth.

Carlsbad was placed sixteenth in the state and Artesia was rated twenty-sixth. Lovington was ninth. Thirty-one teams participated in high school football in New Mexico during the past season.

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MARKETS

N. Y. COTTON

(Furnished by courtesy of the National Cottonseed Processors Association) March Option

Table with columns: Date, Open, High, Low, Close. Rows for December 26, 27, 28, 29, 31 and January 2.

Here's another essay on taxation. Maybe you'll like to read it: Tax the farmer, tax his dad, Tax whate'er he ever had; If he's broke it's just too bad, Go ahead and tax the man, Tax his dog and hired hand, Tax his cow, tax his milk, Tax his bed, tax his quilt, Tax his pig, tax his pen, Tax his flocks, tax his hen, Tax his corn, tax his wheat, Tax his wagon, tax the squeakress, Tax his wife, tax his boy, Tax whatever gives him joy, Tax his baby, tax his crib, Tax his all—who gives a fib? Get his gat-n-tax his ass, Tax his horses out at grass, Tax his fiddle, tax the bow, Tax what he intends to sow, Remember the Forgotten Man, In your so-called taxing plan, He has income, so they say, Most of which he ought to pay, Tax the man that's on the dole, Get him in a deeper hole, Tax the manufacturer, too, He is more than getting through, Tax the man who works for him, Fore his pay check gets too throng, Tax his buildings, tax his chattel, Tax his Ford and all its rattles, Tax his stock, tax his cash, Tax him double it he's rash, Tax his light, tax his power, Tax his payroll by the hour, If he's making more than rent, Add another five per cent; Tax whate'er he has to sell, If he hollers—tax his yell.

Harrington Wimberly of Altus, Oklahoma, in company with friend of Oklahoma City, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. Wimberly. Harrington is editor of the Altus Times-Democrat and also general manager of the Puddin' G'liam Publishing Co. The men left for El Paso on Monday.

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KETS School Notes

OPTION continued from last week:

1914
year high school added.

1915
Lathrop, deceased.
Curry, Santa Rita, N. M.,
deceased.
Michelet (Mrs. Jack Casa-
da), Hagerman, N. M.
Clark, Sterling City, Tex-
as.
Miller, Carlsbad, N. M.,
deceased, manager of Crawford

1916
Williamson (Schwarz-
sch), deceased.
Caldwell, Oklahoma
Oklahoma, insurance.
Moon, California, nurse.
Newsome (Mrs. Joe
Ford) El Paso, Texas.
Lee Robertson (Fletcher)
California.
Miller, California, civil
engineer.
King, Austin, Texas (mar-
ried), agent for Greyhound Bus
line.
Wimberly, Las Cruces,
Texas (married), state supervisor
of vocational education.
Osborne (Ferguson),
Mound, N. M., teacher.
West, Chico, California
(married), dean of Chico College.
Columbia University.
Brown (Mrs. Oldham
Dexter), N. M.
Hays, Louisville, Ken-
tucky, railroad bookkeeper.
Witt (Howe), East Las
Cruces, N. M.
Jones, Clovis, N. M., elec-
trician.

1917
Walters (Mrs. Clayton
nd in editor), Abilene, Texas.
Wilson (Mrs. Tom
of the Padon), Glendale, California.
Barron, Glendale, Cali-
fornia, M. D. in hospital of his
home.

1918
Michelet, Hagerman, N.
(married), farmer.
Platt, Willmette, Illinois,
(married), city manager.
Morgan (Mrs. Robert
mpsten), Hagerman, N. M.
Phillips, Dexter, N. M.
(married), bookkeeper for Triga
Lumber Co.
Brown (Mrs. Gifford Hin-
n), Silver City, N. M.
Newsome, Wheeler, Texas
(married), farmer.
Michelet, Hagerman, N.
(married), farmer.
Bauslin (Mrs. Oscar Bul-
l), Roswell, N. M.
Curry, Las Cruces, N.
(married), teacher in N. M.
C.

1919
Blythe, Memphis, Tennes-
see (married), state manager
Jewel Tea Company.
Blythe, Amarillo, Texas
(married), life insurance.
Miller, Albuquerque, N.
(married).
West, Dexter, N. M. (mar-
ried), farmer.
Evans, Hagerman, N.
(married), farmer.
Harrington Wimberly, Altus,
Oklahoma (married), general man-
ager of Pulliam Publishing Co.,
and editor of Altus Times-Demo-
crat.

1920
West (Mrs. Lester Wal-
ton), Amarillo, Texas.
Lathrop, Encino, N. M.
graph operator.
Wranosky (Mrs. Reed),
Desburg, Kansas.
Walters, Amarillo, Texas
(married), credit manager for a
rubber company.

1921
Billington (Mrs. S.
anson), Fort Madison, Iowa.
Curry, Roswell, N. M.
(married), agent for A. T. &
F. railway.
Evans, Clovis, N. M.,
teacher.
Walters, Silver City, N.
teacher.
West, San Jose, Cali-
fornia (married), registrar at San
Jose College.
Jacobson (Mrs. Jim
Michelet), Hagerman, N. M.

1922
Brown (Mrs. J. S.
rd), Artesia, N. M.
Michelet (Mrs. J. V.
own), Hagerman, N. M.
Russell (Mrs. J. B. Crook),
Arthur, N. M.
Henry Slayter, Clovis, N.
(married), teacher. Graduate
Park College, Missouri.
Michelet, Clovis, N. M.

450 To Be Employed In Federal Farm Census In W. Tex.-N. Mex.

EL PASO, Texas—Approximately 450 persons in west Texas and New Mexico began the task of enumerating farms and ranches in this territory yesterday. Nearly 25,000 federal census employees will be engaged in this huge task of enumerating the six million farms and ranches of the United States, in what is probably the most important agricultural census in the nation's history, according to a statement released by Director William L. Austin, bureau of the census, department of commerce. Plans call for completion of the canvass before the end of January.

"The fifteenth decennial census act, approved June 18, 1929, directed that a mid-decennial census of agriculture be taken January 1, 1935, for the calendar year 1934," Director Austin said. "Because of the tremendous upheaval in the great basic industry of agriculture, due to the depression, drought and other factors new farm statistics are urgently needed in connection with the government's vast recovery program.

"The earnest cooperation of the farmer is necessary to the success of this census, for it is one of the federal activities designed primarily for his benefit. However, the welfare of agriculture affects all other industries, directly or indirectly, and the public generally. The statistics are necessary not only for the ordinary transaction of governmental business, but also for allotment programs. The programs range from the allocations of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration to the Federal Emergency Relief and Farm Credit Administrations. Indeed, the benefits expected to be derived from this census are incalculable and

STATE BOARD RECOMMENDS TO WRITE OFF OLD BANK BALANCES

SANTA FE—The State Board of Finance Friday afternoon adopted a resolution recommending the state legislature make provisions to permit the state treasurer and treasurers of various political sub-divisions of the state to charge off, with the approval of the Board of Finance, balances in banks which have been closed more than 10 years.

State Treasurer Clinton P. Anderson informed the board the state treasurer's office had been carrying on its books approximately \$110,000 which was tied up in banks closed since 1922 and that some provision should be made to charge off these accounts. He said various counties, municipalities and school districts of the state were in the same situation.

The resolution recommending suitable action by the legislature followed.

Smaller Crop Of Pigs Forecasted

A decrease of about 48 percent in the fall pig crop of 1934 from that of 1933; a decrease of about 35 percent in the combined fall and spring pig crop of 1934 from that of 1933; and a prospective decrease of 17 percent in the number of sows to farrow in the spring season of 1935 from the relatively small number farrowed in the spring of 1934, are shown by the December 1 pig crop report of the United States Department of Agriculture. These estimated changes are based upon the returns from the December and June pig surveys made in co-operation with the post office department through the rural mail carriers.

The combined spring and fall pig crop of 1934 for the United States is estimated at 52,923,000 head, a decrease of 35 percent from the combined crop of 1933 of 81,757,000 head. For the corn belt states the combined crop of 39,821,000 head is 37 percent smaller than the 63,360,000 head saved in 1933. These are the largest decreases in one year on record and the number of pigs saved in 1934 is the smallest in many years.

From Dallas, Mrs. E. E. Lane reports some encouraging news of Blanche. After the very recent operations, one on each foot, the doctors are hopeful that the recovery will mean that she can walk without braces. Both Mrs. Lane and Blanche will return home this week.

Wedding Announcements, printed or engraved.—The Messenger.

(married), assistant train dispatcher, A. T. & S. F. Railway.
Wilfred McCormick, Hagerman, N. M. Graduate of University of Illinois. Author for current magazines, periodicals and books.

will have a marked influence on the future welfare of agriculture and the country as a whole. At the completion of the canvass every effort will be put forth to make preliminary tabulation reports available at the earliest possible moment.

"Due to the splendid cooperation of newspapers, farm publications, radio broadcasting stations, state and county farm agencies and organizations and educational institutions in disseminating information concerning the importance of this farm census, more than a million copies of the sample schedule have been distributed to farmers. Those who do not have sample schedules are urged to write, phone or call at the farm census headquarters in their district, procure a copy, study the questions and have their records ready when the enumerator calls.

"The headquarters for the first district of Texas is in the federal building at Amarillo; the second district is in the federal building at Lubbock; the sixth district is in the Chamber of Commerce building at El Paso. The first district of New Mexico is in the court house at Albuquerque, and the second district of New Mexico is in the federal building at Clovis.

"Enumerators are legal residents of the districts which they canvass. Some, if not all, of the farmers residing in an enumeration district will know the enumerator personally and they will do well to see that an accurate report is returned for their district. With the program carried on by the government to assist agriculture inaccurately reports might very readily react to the disadvantage of the farmers in that particular district."

Health Column

Impetigo
Those nasty sores, covered with a yellow crust, which spread upon the hands and faces of the children and will not heal, are called impetigo. They look ugly, they feel horrid, but they do not make you very sick. They are highly contagious, but the disease is not severe enough to be made reportable.

Thus we do not know whether impetigo has really spread or how much it has spread in this year of drought. But we have suspicions. Soap and water are great enemies of impetigo and this year in New Mexico there are communities that can get soap a good deal more easily than they can get water. One public health nurse writes of a village whose people must walk 4 miles to the nearest spring when, as now, their cisterns are empty. Impetigo is rife amongst them.

There are three rules for avoiding impetigo:

- (1) Keep the skin clean with soap and water.
- (2) Keep the skin whole: free from cuts and scratches.
- (3) Keep away from the germs. Avoid those who have impetigo and the things they touch, particularly towels.

To cure impetigo you must get at the germs which are causing it. You cannot do that as long as the crusts are in the way. The crusts must be soaked off or pulled off with tweezers every time you want to attack the germs (once or twice a day). The standard ointment for killing these germs is ammoniated mercury. Most other ointments are useless. In some cases it is better to use a liquid antiseptic than an ointment. If you can get a doctor's advice he will tell you the best thing to use in each particular case. Medical recipes cannot be compiled like a cook book because human beings are so much more variable than ovens.

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EXPEDITION FINDS STONE AGE VILLAGE

Persia Yields Two Most Remarkable Discoveries.

Chicago.—Two chapters in the epic of human advance over a span of nearly four thousand years from the remote Stone Age to the magnificence of Cyrus the Great have been dramatically revealed by discoveries of the Persian expedition of the Oriental Institute of the University of Chicago, which have just been reported to Director James Henry Breasted by Dr. Ernst Herzfeld, field director of the expedition.

At Persepolis, the Versailles of ancient Persia, the institute expedition has discovered some of the most magnificent sculptures ever uncovered by archeology. Within two miles of the ruins of the ancient palace to which Alexander the Great in 330 B. C. set the torch during a drunken debauch, Doctor Herzfeld has found a Stone Age village of approximately 4000 B. C. in a state of preservation surpassing any such discovery heretofore made.

"The discovery at Persepolis is one of the greatest and most important in the history of archeological research," Doctor Breasted said. "It not only far surpasses any archeological discovery ever made in the history of such research in Persia, but there has never been any discovery like it anywhere in western Asia since archeological excavation began there almost a century ago."

Wail Sculptures.
Doctor Herzfeld has uncovered a series of wall sculptures which, if set together, would form a vast panel of reliefs five or six feet in height, and almost a thousand feet in length. The carvings include a series of historical inscriptions of the greatest historical importance. The walls of magnificent palaces which stood on the gigantic terrace of Persepolis, overlooking a mighty plain encircled by mountains, were of sun-dried brick. But the colonnaded halls, the windows, and the great doors were done in black stone which was polished like ebony.

The sculptures were done here and there in this black stone. Those discovered by Doctor Herzfeld depict a magnificent durbar, or conclave, of a great group of Persian and Median officials standing with the brilliantly uniformed palace guards of the Persian emperor drawn up at one side to receive the ambassadors of twenty-two subject nations who approach from the other side bearing their tribute to Persia.

The execution of the scenes, Doctor Herzfeld reports, displays unparalleled beauty and refinement of detail.

It was the disintegration and fall of the great mud-brick walls that preserved the newly discovered sculptures, and protected them from the ravages of weather and vandalism through the nearly two thousand five hundred years since they were created. The carvings are as fresh as the day when the sculptors' chisels touched them for the last time. No other works of old Persian art have ever been found in such perfect preservation.

Stone Age Village.
Doctor Herzfeld found the Stone Age village beneath a small mound some three hundred by six hundred feet in area and only ten or twelve feet in height, within two miles of the ruins of the great palaces.

The walls of the adobe houses are preserved in places to a height of six or seven feet. There is a narrow street or alley extending the length of the little settlement, and a modern visitor walking along it can look over into the houses. Through the doors and the earliest known windows ever found, he can see mural decorations of red ochre water color still discernible on the walls.

Standing about on the floors are household utensils of pottery, fire places with burned clay fire-dogs still in position, and pottery vessels still containing the remains of food, especially the bones of probably domesticated animals. In some of the dishes lay the flint knives with which the ancient people had last eaten some six thousand years ago.

"Such remains," Doctor Breasted said, "disclose to us the earliest prehistoric ancestry of the civilization which reached its culmination in the palaces of Persepolis. The evidences of the intervening evolution are plentifully preserved all around Persepolis."

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Lake Arthur Items

Miss Ella Ohlenbusch, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Green of Roswell were Lake Arthur visitors on last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harrison have moved to the Rogers farm north of Lake Arthur.

Mrs. Beasley and Howard spent the week-end in Abilene, Texas. They returned here on Sunday.

Billy Bradley, who has been in bed the past two weeks suffering from the flu, is now able to be up.

Miss Tressie Hull has spent the holidays working in the store of the Rambo Filling Station at Espuella.

Mr. and Mrs. Cooker of the Lawrence ranch are moving into the house vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Zee Pate.

The Misses Mary and Ruth Nihart left on Tuesday for Abilene, Texas, where they will resume their school work.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud McClain and family left Friday for Hatch, where they will cultivate the farm which they purchased there some time ago.

We wish to correct an error in last week's items. Mr. and Mrs. Roarke did not move into the Allison house. The reporter was misinformed.

Mr. and Mrs. Mills and family returned Sunday afternoon from central western Arkansas where they have been the past few weeks visiting relatives and friends.

Rupert Pate planned to leave on Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. Bivens of Artesia for Abilene, Texas, where he will enter McMurry College for the second semester.

Mr. and Mrs. Ohlenbusch and family went to Roswell on last Monday where Amelia and Bill made connections to return to State College where they are attending school.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Bradley accompanied their daughters Alma and Gertrude to Hope on last Sunday where the girls left for State College after spending the holidays here.

Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Funk have moved to the place on Cottonwood formerly occupied by the Bosticks. Mr. and Mrs. Funk have bought that place. Mr. and Mrs. Zee Pate are moving into the house in town which was vacated by the Funks.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Latta and family moved to town on Monday. They are living in the house east of the Baptist church which was vacated by the Smith family who moved to some of the Pearson property.

On last Thursday Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Nihart entertained with a holiday party at their home west of town. The guest list included the league members, those who are home for the vacation from college, and some out-of-town guests. After an evening of gay entertainment, refreshments were served to about forty young people.

On last Thursday evening the Eastern Stars and Masons held a public joint installation in the lodge rooms. The members of the families of each were the guests. After the ceremonies were completed a lovely turkey dinner was served to about thirty guests. Mrs. Ada Foster was installed as the worthy matron of the Eastern Star, with Monroe Howard as worthy patron, Mrs. Bernard Pate as associate patron, Redmond Pate as associate patron, and Howard Sims as secretary. In the Masonic lodge Howard Sims is the worthy.

"Are the fish biting?"
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Terracing And Its Importance In N M

The county agents' reports indicate that terracing and soil moisture conservation plans have progressed more rapidly in 1934 than in other years says G. R. Quisenberry of the New Mexico State College.

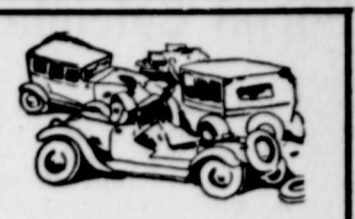
The moisture in all parts of the state has been short this year, but in the eastern agricultural portion it has been especially lacking. This has resulted in much agricultural land being left out of cultivation, or planted and a crop failure. This condition has proved a financial handicap to the farmers. The less fortunate were crippled beyond recovery. On the other hand, it has offered many of those better equipped an opportunity to terrace and use other methods of erosion control which will be very beneficial to crop production in succeeding years.

Terracing and contouring under the guidance of the Extension Service has been particularly active in Curry, Harding, Union, and other eastern counties. County agents in the eastern part of the state not only report more acres terraced or contoured during the year but a much larger number of farmers adopting the practice. The crop yields resulting from this work have not been as great during the season in some areas due to a complete absence of moisture. Some of the previously terraced fields have produced a considerable amount of vegetation in spite of the drought. In some instances adjoining fields were completely bare. It requires some moisture to produce a crop, even on terraced land but the moisture that does fall on such tracts is held in place behind the terraces and penetrates the soil, all of which offers an advantage to plant growth.

Good results have been gotten with all types of level terraces and a little moisture, but a number of changes have been found desirable in their construction as farmers learn more of the cost. The grader, followed with Fresno scraper from the lower side of the terrace, is

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(Items for either this column or the calendar must be turned in by not later than Wednesday noon)

Social Calendar

The Woman's club meets on Friday afternoon, January 4th, at the home of Mrs. Willis Pardee, call Mrs. Heitman for further information. All members are urged to be present.

The Men's club will meet on Tuesday evening, January 8th, at school auditorium, dinner will be served by H. E. girls. There will be election of officers. All members are urged to be present.

L. C. CLUB HOLD BELATED THANKSGIVING DINNER

The L. C. club met New Year's day at the home of Mrs. Ross Jacobs for their postponed Thanksgiving dinner, and at 12:00 o'clock after thanks had been offered by Mrs. Sanders, were seated at a beautifully spread table decorated with a vase of hand-made wood fiber flowers, made and sent by Mrs. Lafe Weese, who now lives in California, and who was a charter member of the L. C. club at one time. A letter from Mrs. DeWeese said there was a blossom for each member of the club and they were to have numbers put on them and drawn, so that all would share alike. She also sent carnations, asking that some member of the club place them on the graves of her loved ones.

During the business session, officers for the year were elected, as follows: President, Mrs. Ross Jacobs; vice-president, Mrs. Alice M. Hedges; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. J. W. Wiggins.

Present were Mesdames Jim Sanders, J. W. Wiggins, M. D. Menoud, A. M. Hedges, Marian Woody, Fred Evans, E. D. Menoud, Jim McNamara, L. E. Henriksen, Geo. Lathrop, Frank Bauslin, Ben F. Gehman, C. O. Hollway Earl Stine and the hostess.

PRESBYTERIAN LADIES AID

Members of the Aid met yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. E. Wimberly, for the annual election of officers. A business report for the year was given, and was received with favorable comment. Officers elected were: President, Mrs. J. E. Wimberly; first vice-president, Mrs. C. G. Mason; second vice-president, Mrs. J. T. West; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. Helen Cumpsten. During the social hour a beautiful quilt was exhibited which had been sent to Mrs. A. A. MacKintosh from her daughter-in-law in Montana, and a lovely afghan made for little Helen Ruth Curry by Mrs. MacKintosh. Refreshments of sandwiches, black walnut cake lady fingers, and coffee were served to Mesdames Martin Brannon, T.

D. Devenport, Robert Cumpsten, J. A. Marrs, Helen Cumpsten, B. W. Curry, A. A. MacKintosh, J. A. Hedges, and the hostess, Mrs. Wimberly was assisted by Mrs. Hedges.

YOUNG WOMAN'S GUILD

The Young Woman's Guild met on last Thursday at Mrs. T. D. Devenport's home, with Mrs. Johnny Allen as hostess. Mrs. Schaubel gave the lesson on "Prevention of Colds and Flu," and also gave eleven baby toxoids for diphtheria.

A special feature of the afternoon was a handkerchief shower given Mrs. Schaubel by members of the guild.

Refreshments of cake and cocoa were served to: Mrs. Schaubel and Mesdames James Burck, Feno Bramblett, Jess Dorman, E. S. Bible, J. W. Crisman, J. A. Bartlett, J. B. Pilley, Van Derrick, Oscar Kiper, Orville Kiper, Clyde Keeth, M. D. Menoud, Howard Menefee, Jack Miller, Rex Phillips, Will Pilley of Dexter, T. D. Devenport and visitors were Mrs. A. M. Hedges and Crisman.

DINNER PARTY

John Garner of the N. M. M. L. assisted by his mother, Mrs. L. W. Garner, was host on Friday evening to old school friends for dinner. The beautifully laid table held a centerpiece of red sweet peas, and a delicious turkey dinner was served. The young ladies wore formal dress.

Covers marked places for Miss Sara Beth West, Chalmer Hollway, Miss Dorothy Sweatt, Steve Mason, Miss Elizabeth McKinstry, Sanford Knoll, Miss Betty Mason, Jesse Keeth, Miss Lillis Mae Andrus, John Garner. The party later attended the picture show in Roswell.

EASTERN STAR MEETING

The Eastern Star held their regular meeting last week on Wednesday evening, and elected new officers as follows: Mrs. Hugo Jacobson, worthy matron; Jack Sweatt, worthy patron; Mrs. Jack Sweatt, associate matron; C. O. Hollway, associate patron; Mrs. C. O. Hollway, secretary; Mrs. E. E. Lane, treasurer; Mrs. C. G. Mason, conductress; Mrs. Walter Green, associate conductress. The installation will be in January.

BAPTIST W. M. U. ASSOCIATION MEETING

The Baptist ladies met at the church on New Year's day, and a large crowd attended. The program was very fine and inspirational. Mrs. George French of Roswell, the association president, acted as chairman. Mrs. Price Curd sang a beautiful solo. The Rev. W. C. Garrett gave a splendid talk. The next meeting will be April 2nd, with the first church of Roswell.

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To Preserve Fence Posts Is Problem Of The Local Ranchers

The ever-increasing problem of providing long-life fence posts is worthy of the consideration of the farmer. The durable woods from which posts were commonly made in past years are constantly becoming scarcer and more expensive, and less durable kinds of wood must often be used.

The life of a post depends very largely upon the conditions under which it is used. A post will last much longer in a very wet or a very dry situation than it will when the ground is just damp or alternately wet and dry. It will last longer in a compact clay soil than in a loose, sandy soil; longer in a dry climate or one that has a long cold winter, than in a warm, damp climate.

It can be seen that some reasonably cheap method of increasing the life of less durable, cheap, woods will save money for the farmer. For a number of years, the U. S. Forest Products Laboratory, Madison, Wisconsin, has been experimenting with the preservation of fence posts, poles, and other forms of timber. Its experiments have conclusively proven that when a suitable preservative has been applied, posts and timbers that would ordinarily rot quickly can be made to last from 15 to 20 years.

Decay is caused by certain low forms of plant life called fungi that feed on the wood; it is not caused by chemical action of the soil or fermentation of the sap. The most effective method of preventing decay is to poison the food supply of the fungus, which is the wood. There are six important requirements for a preservative for general use; it must be safe to use, reasonably cheap, should penetrate wood readily, should not be corrosive to metal, should not evaporate or wash out of the wood easily, and should be poisonous to fungi.

Coal-tar creosote, which is a brownish-black, heavy oil, practically insoluble in water, is in general use for preserving fence posts and other farm timbers exposed to the weather, and is considered about the most effective preservative against decay so far developed.

Peeled, round posts are preferable to split posts when they are to be creosoted, for the reason that the sap or outer wood can be more readily treated than the heartwood. The heartwood faces on split posts do not, as a rule, absorb the preservative well. Split oak posts will take treatment in the heartwood well however, because the wood is very porous. Peeled round posts, 3 or 4 inches in diameter at the top, are strong enough for line posts and are less expensive to treat than larger ones. Only sound posts are worth treating.

Coal-tar creosotes vary considerably in quality, but satisfactory results can be obtained by using any good grade, if a sufficient amount is put into the wood and good penetration secured.

The methods of applying creosote differ greatly as to character, cost, and effectiveness. The most thorough one that is practical on the farm is the so-called hot and cold bath open tank process, in which the posts are put into a tank of hot creosote and left for several hours to drive out the air and then transferred to another tank containing creosote, called the cold bath, in which they are left for one or more hours to absorb the oil. The creosote should penetrate from one-half to three-quarters of an inch, which will give very good results. Shallower penetrations may have to be accepted when the wood is particularly resistant to treatment.

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- 6—Great Central Italy earthquake kills 30,000, 1915.
- 7—Daniel Webster makes his first speech in Congress, 1814.

The Gray House Mystery

By CLARRISSA MACKIE

WHEN the doctor ordered Sallie Barr into the country for complete rest and isolation from society, the first thought that came into Sallie's lovely head was a beautiful one about the old gray house that Uncle Peter Barr had left to her in his will.

"I want to get away from people, mumsie, dear," Sallie told her mother. "Imagine the old Gray house, two miles from everybody." "Then I will write to Mrs. Luntly and tell her to get ready for you, Sallie. Do you want to take your runabout with you?"

"I believe I'll drive down there myself—that will be fun—only 65 miles—and I'll send you and dad a wire the moment I arrive. The post office is Wiggins station, I'm sure." "I thought they received their mail at Gearing—Gray house lies half way between the two villages." And that was the beginning of the mystery, for Mrs. Luntly never received Mrs. Barr's letter.

A week later Sallie Barr stopped her car at the tiny railroad station in the hills of Connecticut, and sent off a telegram. "Arrived safely—send all mail to Wiggins station—feeling splendid after lovely ride," Sallie wrote.

After inquiring her way to Gray house Sallie hopped into the little car and started off to "her own house."

"Mmm-m! Broiled chops, baked potatoes," sniffed Sallie hungrily as she mounted the steps and piled the brass knocker.

"Bless my soul, Miss Sallie, dear, what are you doing here?" bleated Mrs. Luntly. "Why didn't you send me word, Miss Sallie? I would have been prepared for you."

"Didn't you get the letter mother sent?" "No—we receive our mail at Wiggins station—perhaps she sent it to Gearing."

"She did. I wired her from Wiggins," she smiled, as she explained about her banishment from the social whirl.

"I will go down and prepare your lunch now," said Mrs. Luntly, departing hastily. There was the pleasant smell of good tobacco.

"Make me think of poor Don," thought Sallie sadly, as she bathed herself and got into some summery clothes. Don Roberts was a young man, a poor young man and proud, who had tried to forget Sallie, who was rich, and who had proudly let her go with an aching heart. She would not admit that incident had anything to do with her illness.

"I believe this house is haunted," Sallie said next morning at breakfast. Mrs. Luntly stared at her with a stricken face. "I believe it is, Miss Sallie. By a gentleman who plays the violin," she added.

"Days passed, and now and then Sallie heard the ghostly music from the tower room; she never investigated the tower, but she did think it odd one moonlight night when the music was suddenly stopped by the jarring discord of a broken string. A sharp exclamation in a masculine voice brought Sallie to her feet.

"I do believe Mrs. Luntly is deceiving me," she said slowly. "She is keeping a boarder here, or she has a guest." She went to the window and looked down at the tempting garden. "I'm going down there before I sleep," she thought.

The garden was drenched in moonlight, and the roses heavy with dew. Sallie buried her face in a full blown pink rose. A sound startled her. Some one was approaching along the path between the taller roses.

"Specters can't make sounds," her common sense whispered, as she lifted her head laughingly. The shadow of a young man approached, saw her, and stopped in front of her.

"Sally," he whispered. "Not Sally—here—why, I'm seeing things!" It was the voice of Don.

"You are seeing Sally Barr—and nobody else!" murmured that young woman courageously. "This is my house—and my rose garden—how dare you haunt it?"

"I came here because I was ill and was ordered to a quiet place," was his dignified reply. "Mrs. Luntly very kindly took me in as a boarder; she has just explained about your owning the house, and of course, I am leaving in the morning."

"Of course," mimicked Sallie. "You—don't care—w-whether you break my h-heart or n-n-not." And then the ghost proceeded to behave like a very real young man very much in love.

"And they're going to live at Gray house," marveled Mrs. Luntly when they came in and told her all about it.

Old Mr. Luntly smiled at his wife and nodded his silver head. "Whenever there's an old gray house, and moonlight, and ghosts, there's bound to be a happy ending love story," he chuckled.

And Sally and Don, planning the happy life of country folk, kissed each other, and Sally whispered softly, "And a violin with a broken string! My ghost!"

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Ties That Bind

By BERTHA LEAH CROSS

NAOMI STEVENS sat on the back porch watching the dusk as it settled over the garden. To her, this time of day was the loneliest, and the hour when she felt the most let down, tired, old and disillusioned. This night she was feeling unusually so because of the letter from Laura, the second she'd had that week. In the latter she pleaded even more urgently with her to accept her invitation to go to Europe as her traveling companion.

"If I only could," she whispered. "But here I am, as always, tied hand and foot by mother. If mother could only see, only realize how terribly she hampers me in everything I want to do. Talk about the selfishness of the young—it's nothing in comparison to the old. They think only of themselves!"

All of her life Naomi had craved a good time. She longed for travel and excitement.

First it had been her father, who, parsimonious to the point of miserliness, had forced both her and her mother to scrimp and save; to go without and make over, while he hoarded his money. Then when he had died, ten years ago, each had lacked initiative and urge to get out of the rut into which their lives had settled. It had taken but these letters, however, to light the flame of desire in Naomi's crushed ego.

"There's money," she told herself. "plenty of it. If only mother could be aroused..."

But the mother—a self-effacing little woman who had lived for forty years under the domination of her husband, Cowed, timid, shrinking, after these years of bondage. What force could galvanize her and make her forget her husband's reiterated statement: "Women's place is in the home." Could she be freed, emancipated from that obsession?

Naomi was now forty-five. She had let her youth go by as she had loved. Fred had become tired of waiting.

She had been a lovely girl with a wealth of curly, brown hair and large, wistful eyes filled with dreams. Other men had been attracted. But they, like Fred, had been appalled by too much interference, and later by too much prospective mother-in-law. They had passed by to other less hampered girls.

Now had come this opportunity galvanized into life, she let her thoughts dwell on this chance of a lifetime. Even the words in the letter were etched on her mind: "Come on, Naomi," her friend had written. "Check your mother with her sister and come with me."

The tears came now, faster and faster, stinging her eyes, overflowing—a perfect torrent of heart-breaking tears of longing.

Suddenly the tears stopped and she sat up with a snap. The fire in her eyes dried the tears: "I'm going!" she said aloud. "I'm going to Europe with Laura. Mother can go to California with the Lawsons."

She began formulating in her mind her plan of procedure. First she would write Aunt Hattie that her mother was coming, if she could make her, and ask for her help. Then she would write Laura that she would arrive in New York ready to sail the seventh of July.

"I'm going to spend, spend, spend!" she said recklessly. "I am going to make myself young again and see life. For every dollar I've denied myself, I'll spend two."

After supper she walked to the village for the evening mail. She posted a letter to Laura telling her she would meet her in New York the sixth. "I've burned my bridges now," she thought. "I'm going straight home to break the news to mother. I'll find new interests, and life, and youth," she told herself.

"Mother," she said abruptly. The swaying rocker stopped at the tenseness in Naomi's voice.

"Yes? What is it, Naomi?" Her tone held a mild surprise.

"I'm sailing the seventh of July with Laura."

"Sailing?" in a bewildered tone. "Yes, sailing for Europe on the seventh. And I've made arrangements for you to stay with Aunt Hattie while I'm gone."

"You've made arrangements?" icily. "I haven't lost my mind, have I? Well, you've certainly taken a pretty independent step." Her quick anger cooled. She laid a hand on Naomi's with a quick pressure. "Sud deny she laughed. 'Child, you was afraid to tell me? I wondered what you had on your mind for a week.'"

"Yes, I was afraid. I was afraid you'd not want me to go. Oh, mother," her voice breaking. "I've got to go. I can't let this go by, as I have everything else in life."

Her voice was growing shrill and rising a little. "Can't you see? Can't you understand?"

"I certainly can see," her mother replied slowly. "I have wanted a vacation for years and always thought I had to stay here at home on your accounts. But from now on, Naomi, these ties that bind are going to be elastic. They are going to stretch. For a month I've been trying to get up courage to tell you that I'm going to go to California I've always wanted to go—and now I'm going."

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Surveying University Lands West Texas Is Now Underway

The story of the two million acres of land that the University of Texas owns in west Texas and the first complete survey that has been made of the lands set aside by the state's pioneers for the benefit of the University and its branches, is now under way.

While oil royalties and leases have brought millions to the state school and its branches, Texas A. & M. College, the Medical School at Galveston, and College of Mines at El Paso, it is the grass lands that have furnished the steady income, though not the largest, since the two one million acre allotments were made.

The contract of Frank Friend, San Angelo surveyor, to go over the the University land, permanently mark each section on the ground and prepare the first book index to and description of the property, dates back to June, 1929.

The appropriation for the survey started out at \$28,000 a year but has been reduced now to about \$23,000—in connection with which the salary of Mr. Friend was reduced from \$6,000 to \$4,000 despite his contract—and will be cut to just a fraction of that amount as soon as the actual surveying is finished next year.

The University lands in west Texas counties are divided as follows (county and area of university land in square miles or sections): Andrews, 462; Crane, 91; Crockett, 556; Culberson, 72; Dawson, 1-4; Ector, 9; El Paso, 18; Gaines, 4; Hudspeth, 760; Irion, 33; Lov-

ing, 41; Martin, 24; Pecos, Reagan, 349; Schleicher, 97; Upton, 123; Winkler, 77.

The surveying job has often troublesome, but always interesting. Finding the markers or "prints" left by the old surveyors is a big job. These surveyors R. M. Thompson of Austin, surveyed the constitutional miles along about 1880, D. Corwin, now dead, who surveyed the second million five years ago, O. W. Williams of Fort Stockton, who surveyed the "horse lands" in El Paso and Hudspeth counties, and B. P. Eubanks on a sublet job, went over the Paso lands in 1886.

One time the surveying was searched for a week before an important bit of the rock mound needed to give the nation for a stump designated in the notes as a marker. On an attempting occasion, Friend chartered an airplane at McCamey to locate Chief Justice's long-abandoned Emigrant Trading opinion, between Castle Gap and the Hrital laws passed from Crossing on the Pecos valley administ. From the air the trail of which packed pioneers was easily seen and that was once surveyors' findings were verified. His voice reiterate delegated too

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Gooch and family motored to Kenna on Sunday to spend the day on the interstate highway. Mrs. Gooch's sister, Mrs. Fletcher, Miss Vera remains until Tuesday, when she returns to school at Canyon.

These New Lamps Will Mean a Lot To Eyes That Are No Longer Young

Watch the oldest members of your family group. Do they sometimes put aside reading or sewing, as if the effort involved were too great? Often it is! As birthdays mount, the pupil of the eyes become smaller. No matter how skillfully corrected with glasses. Old eyes need more light than young ones do. More light than they get in 99 homes out of a hundred.

Here are three simple rules to follow if you want eye comfort in your home for both young and old.

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2.—See that walls and ceilings are light in color. A fresh coat of light-colored paint or paper will work wonders.

3.—Have the eyes of your family examined regularly by a competent specialist.


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While their definite line-up has shown every interest Witt tries each position to best. Before a chosen. Knoll, Homer Hollway, all excellent for Wheat; Jim Hanky center, off in the beavers are Dub Gordon Smith Red Johnson, Early in De Lovington, at played a win CCG boys. L a practice g second team will be Friday in Artesia. I leader, with teams of the need some go cheering. Le and go!

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U. S. C Hits NI WASHING Hissent, the s declared unce important bit ing a rock mound needed to gion to come with the survey. Again they the nation for a stump designated in the net under whi notes as a marker. On an attempting occasion, Friend chartered an airplane at McCamey to locate Chief Justice's long-abandoned Emigrant Trading opinion, between Castle Gap and the Hrital laws passed from Crossing on the Pecos valley administ. From the air the trail of which packed pioneers was easily seen and that was once surveyors' findings were verified. His voice reiterate delegated too

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Gooch and family motored to Kenna on Sunday to spend the day on the interstate highway. Mrs. Gooch's sister, Mrs. Fletcher, Miss Vera remains until Tuesday, when she returns to school at Canyon.

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Frank McC chairman of program for ances that are soon to ly, and s cted to as