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THE PORTALES VALLEY IRRIGATION PROJECT

Has at Last Assumed Definite Proportions and Final Preliminary Matters Are Settled

All Parties to the Contract are Now Satisfied and the Land Owners are Signing the Final Papers in the Transaction—Ten Thousand Acres Will be the Minimum

It seems to take a great deal of preliminary work and figuring, plans and counter plans, adjustments and readjustments to get an irrigation project started. During last week there were rumors of a hitch in the proceedings which might shatter our hopes for irrigation and cause dry farming to again stare us in the face. But both the subscribers and the construction company have a set determination to put in this system of irrigation and both have made concessions so all difficulties have cleared away again and the preliminary work is sailing along harmoniously once more.

The hitch in the matter was on account of the land subscribed

being in small tracts and so widely scattered that it required more than double the amount of transmission lines prescribed in the contract to reach the land. By the original proposition to irrigate six thousand acres it was provided that the transmission lines should not exceed 45 miles. Under the amended proposition to irrigate ten thousand acres it was provided that the transmission lines should not exceed 60 miles. When a plat was made of the land to be irrigated and the matter figured up it was found that it would take 130 miles of transmission lines to reach all the tracts.

This matter came up at a meeting last week in Chicago, which

was attended by representatives of the Western Construction company, who are to install the plant, representatives of the Westinghouse Machinery company, who supply the machinery, P. E. Fuller, the government expert, and T. J. Molinari, representing the subscribers and land owners of Portales Valley. At this meeting, when the plats were examined and the transmission lines figured up, the Westinghouse company said there was no use going any farther, as the plant could not be installed with that mileage of transmission lines, for the price at which the plant was to be put in.

Here is where the presence, pluck, energy, and determination of our representative, T. J. Molinari, came into good service and brought success out of disaster. He got up and told them that the plant must be put in and would be put in and some way must be devised to overcome this difficulty. Having the assistance of Mr. Fuller, whose services had been previously arranged for by Mr. Molinari with the government, the two went to work on the plats to see what could be done. After three days and nights hard work the efforts seemed to be futile. But at last they hit on the plan of combining the smaller tracts which

were contiguous into one plant so that there should be one plant for each 160 acres subscribed and arranging the lines the shortest mileage possible so that ten thousand acres could be irrigated with transmission lines of 71½ miles and plants not to exceed seventy in number. This plan was laid before the representatives of the Westinghouse Machinery Company and the Western Construction Company and they agreed to this concession providing it would be agreed to by the subscribers in the Portales Valley.

All this detail and much more was presented to the people at a meeting called and held in the court house at 10 o'clock, Thursday morning. At this meeting there was present Mr. Fuller, the government expert; Mr. Rittenhouse, of the Western Construction company; W. A. Vincent, secretary and treasurer of the Western Construction company, who was here on his first trip. The meeting was called to order by Mr. Molinari, who had just returned from Chicago, where he had been on the irrigation work, and as delegate to the National Farm Land congress. Mr. Molinari, realizing the gravity of the situation and the importance of quick, determined

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OUR BIG HOLIDAY SALE

Big Sale Closes Saturday Night December 25th

\$25,000.00 Stock of Clean, New Merchandise

Now offered to the public for less money than it can be bought for in the eastern markets today. This big holiday sale started Saturday morning, December 4, and will continue twenty days, closing Saturday night, December 25. This will be your last opportunity to buy goods at these prices, as everything in the dry goods line is advancing every day, but we want to clear up all our winter goods and get our stock down as low as we can by the first of the year when we take our annual invoice.

Calico 4½c per yard — Cotton 15c per pound — Who Buys Goods Right



Ladies' Suits

Ladies tailored coat suit, worth \$12.50, holiday sale... **\$8.00**
 Ladies \$15.00 tailored coat suit at holiday sale... **\$10.00**
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Ladies \$7.50 skirts for... \$5.00
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 Full 81x90 seamless sheet, value \$1.00, holiday sale... 65c

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One lot of barrettes and back combs, values 20c and 35c, all out together, this sale... **14c**
 One lot of 35c barrettes, holiday price... **19c**
 One lot of back combs, values 25c and 35c, all out together, holiday price... **19c**
 All 50c and 65c back combs holiday price... **36c**
 All ladies 50c and 75c belts holiday price... **39c**
 Ladies 25c and 35c belts, holiday price... **19c**

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 15c Misses hose, sale price... 10c
 10c Ladies hose, sale price... 08c
 15c Ladies hose, sale price... 10c
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 25c Ladies heavy fleeced hose... 19c
 Very best heavy ribbed hose for boys, 25c value... 19c
 Mens good, heavy, Rockford grey hose, worth 15c... 11c
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 Mens black and tan hose... 07c
 Mens 15c black and tan hose... 11c
 Mens 25c hose... 19c

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PORTALES, NEW MEXICO

Can't Sell Goods To Merchants At These Prices

THE PORTALES VALLEY IRRIGATION PROJECT

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action on the part of the people, to secure this irrigation project, or else dry farming would again be staring them in the face, made a speech which should go down in the annals of Roosevelt county as one of the best oratorical efforts in the history of the county, being illustrated by amusing anecdotes, which he can tell to perfection, and appealed to the people to get together on this proposition and act at once, as time was now an essential element, in order to get this plant in, so it could be of service next year. He was followed by Mr. Rittenhouse, and afterwards by Mr. Fuller, who explained the condition of land subscribed, in regard to lines and plants as outlined above.

It was explained that by combining the smaller tracts so that 160 acres could be irrigated with one plant would really make it cheaper for the subscribers and that this concession by the people was really to their advantage. In the first place it would require but one well to 160 acres and where four men each have forty acres to irrigate that are contiguous they can equally share the expense of the well. Then the contract provided that in case a man wanted the large pump and subscribed less than 160 acres there was an additional charge above the \$35 an acre and in this combination this extra charge is dispensed with and gives the forty-acre men the service of the large size pump so he can get the full head of water and no additional charge. The men who subscribe less 160 acres can arrange equitably to take turns using the water and there is no reason why this arrangement should not be successful. Under nearly all systems of irrigation people take turns using the water.

The subscribers generally expressed themselves as willing to subscribe their land under this amended form of contract and at the close of the meeting, papers having been prepared for that purpose, five thousand acres was subscribed under these terms within a few minutes. Without doubt the balance of the ten thousand acres will be taken right away. It is the stipulation of the Westinghouse company that this matter be closed up by December 15th and if so they will have an attorney here by that time, examine and approve the securities. If this is done the Westinghouse company guarantee to have one unit of the plant ready for service in April next year, which will give all the power that can be utilized by the farmers till the other engine or unit can be set which will probably be thirty or forty days later.

There is, practically, no change in the contract by this arrangement. It is merely cutting out cost of lines and plants to enable the company to put in the plant and keep within the price originally provided for, which is the cheapest pumping plant installed anywhere in the United States, so proclaimed by those who are in a position to know. It is also stated that no other plant will be put in to irrigate land by pumping, at this price. The question is, how can any land owner in this shallow water district afford to stand back when everything has been so concisely explained how this will advance our farming interests. It has been reiterated and reiterated as to the value of land under irri-

gation compared with dry farming land, and it is a fact that one crop under irrigation will pay as high as double the cost of the irrigation, acre per acre. Then why should anyone hesitate in subscribing to this irrigation project.

Those who have subscribed land of larger acreage are as follows: R. L. Webber and K. S. Lykins 440 acres, T. J. Molinari, Ed. J. Neer and Dr. Hough 560 acres, W. E. Lindsey 320 acres, A. L. Coppage 280 acres, J. A. Fairly 240 acres, G. L. Reese 160 acres, M. M. Bounds 160 acres, and Sam D. Lowry 120 acres.

Water Works Progress.

A representative of the firm of Burns & McDonald, of Kansas City, the supervising architects for the construction of the city water, light and sewerage system, was in the city Wednesday and went over with the trustees all the preliminary matters incident to the preparation of the plans and specification for the construction of the entire project. The engineer promised the city board that within ten days he would have everything in readiness for the board to advertise for bids for the actual construction of the plant. Bids will have to be advertised for, in some proper manner, for about thirty days and, allowing the same time for getting material on the ground, construction work will, in all probability, begin about the first of February. The engineer left Thursday morning for Kansas City where the work of perfecting the plans and specifications will begin immediately upon his arrival. The town board is doing everything in its power to hurry this work as much as possible and, at the same time, protect and conserve the best interests of the town.

Statehood Bill Recommended

The United States congress convened in Washington Monday. On the first day only a thirteen minute session was held but during that time a bill was introduced for the admission of New Mexico to statehood. On Tuesday President Taft's message was read which contained the following recommendation for statehood for New Mexico and Arizona.

"The successful party in the last election, in its national platform, declared in favor of the admission, as separate states, of New Mexico and Arizona, and I recommend that legislation appropriate to this end be adopted. I urge, however, that care be exercised in the preparation of the legislation affecting each territory, to secure deliberation in the selections of persons as members of the convention to draft a constitution for the incoming state, and I earnestly advise that such action, after adoption by the convention, shall be submitted to the people of the territory for their approval at an election in which the sole issue shall be the merits of the proposed constitution, and if the constitution is defeated by popular vote, means shall be provided in the enabling act for a new convention and the drafting of a new constitution. I think it vital that the issue as to the merits of the constitution should not be mixed up with the selection of state officers, and that no election of state officers should be had until after the constitution has been fully and finally settled upon."

Get your hog killing salt at M. J. Faggard & Co.

Landers Bros have set up their cleaning and pressing establishment in the building next door to the Times printing office where they will be pleased to serve the public.

Dr. Presley's regular appointment is at Doctors Patterson and Bryan's office at Neer's drug store every third Monday in each month.

A Few Facts About Portales and Roosevelt County

The bonded indebtedness of Roosevelt county is only \$13,500.

The total value of taxable property of Roosevelt county is \$6,088,764.

Roosevelt county has a population of between 35,000 and 40,000, all white.

We have the best soil, the best climate, the best water and the best people on earth.

Portales, the county seat of Roosevelt county, New Mexico, has a population of over 1500.

The value of taxable property of Portales, the county seat of Roosevelt county, is \$1,245,416.

Roosevelt county, New Mexico, has an area of about 2,300,000 acres, practically all of which is smooth and tillable.

Portales has voted and sold \$75,000 bonds and will soon have an up-to-date water works, sewerage, and electric plant in operation.

Portales has five churches, a \$20,000 school house and provisions made for a larger and better school building, a \$15,000 court house, and a \$5,000 jail.

Portales has three live banks—the First National Bank, the Citizens National Bank, and the Portales Bank and Trust Company—with aggregate deposits of nearly half a million dollars.

Portales is located midway between Amarillo, Texas, and Roswell, New Mexico, on the main line of the Pecos Valley Railroad, with direct communication to Kansas City, the Gulf and the Pacific coast.

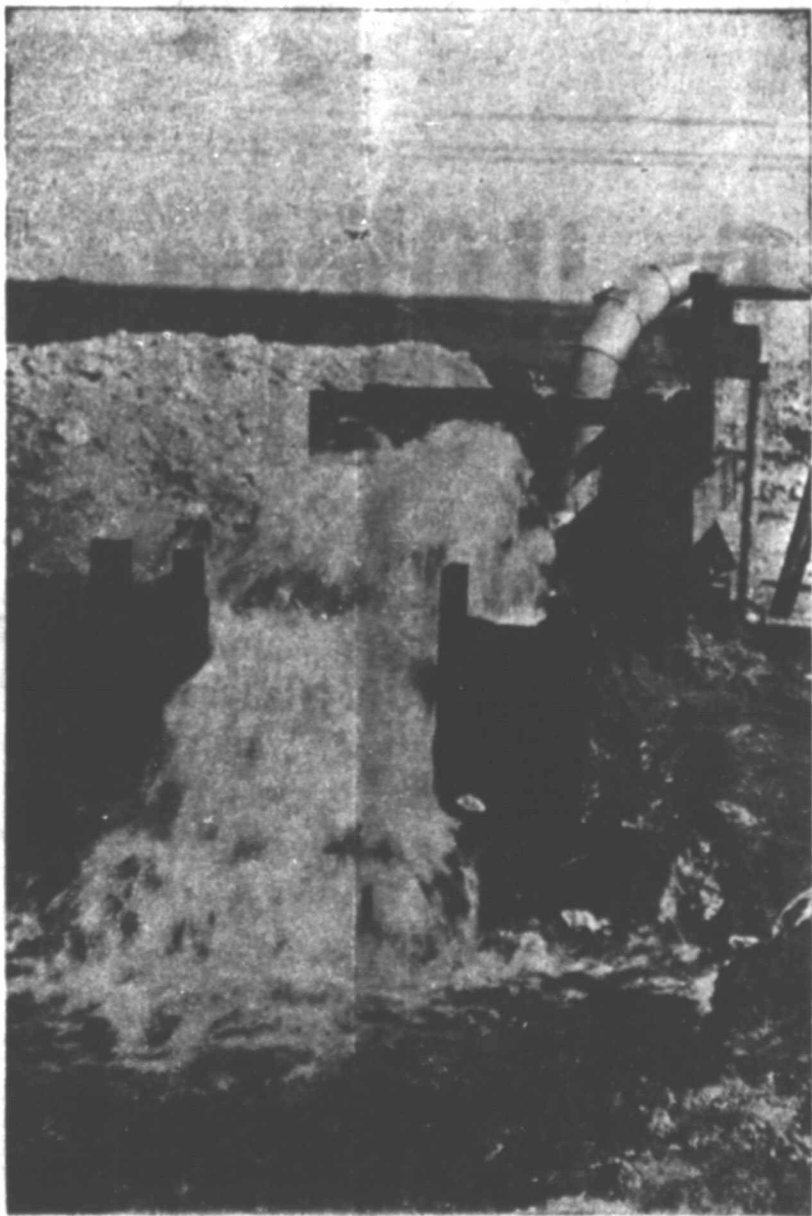
Portales has progressive, enterprising merchants in all lines, including one wholesale and commission house, two newspapers, four lumber yards, one cotton gin, steam laundry, and a telephone system.

Portales Valley offers more opportunities to the industrious farmer than can be found elsewhere. Crops, owing to our splendid climate and fertile soil, are raised with less labor and less expense than any other place in the United States.

Portales irrigation plant, which will soon be completed, will place us first in the irrigated districts of the west. Our underground water being absolutely unlimited, we are not dependant upon mountain snows and rains for our supply.

The annual rainfall is about twenty-two inches, sufficient in itself to raise good crops, but with an irrigation plant and a guarantee of three acre feet of water, we can confidently and conscientiously assert that we are the chosen spot "for God's favored people."

Land can be bought now for from \$10 to \$50 per acre, owing to location and improvements. Pure water is obtainable at a depth of from six to thirty feet. Our summers are delightful, our winters short and mild—and while we have the most healthful climate in the world.



The Well that Made Portales Famous.

CONTEST NOTICE.

Department of the Interior, U.S. land office at Roswell, N.M., December 23, 1909.

A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by Elbert Decker, of Inez, New Mexico, contestant, against homestead entry No. 14138, made February 13th, 1908, for south half southwest quarter and south half southeast quarter, section 33, township 3 south, range 36 east, by Harvey M. Kay, contestant, in which it is alleged, under date of May 10, 1909, that said Harvey M. Kay has wholly abandoned said tract; that he has changed his residence therefrom for more than six months since making said entry and next prior to the date of said affidavit; that the said tract is not settled upon and cultivated by the said party as required by law; that said party is hereby notified to appear, respond and offer evidence touching said allegations at 9 o'clock, A.M., on Dec. 14, 1909, before Washington E. Lindsey, U.S. Commissioner, at his office in Portales, New Mexico, and that final hearing will be held at 9 o'clock, A.M., on December 23, 1909, before the Register and Receiver at the United States land office in Roswell, New Mexico.

The said contestant having, in a proper affidavit, filed October 23, 1909, set forth facts which show that, after diligence, personal service of this notice can not be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication.

T. C. Tiltonson, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Non coal land 014376.

Department of the Interior, U.S. land office at Roswell, N.M., December 4th, 1909.

Notice is hereby given that James B. Epperson of Cromer, N.M., who, on March 18, 1908, made homestead entry No. 14530 serial No. 014376 for southeast quarter, section 14, township 5 south, range 36 east, N.M.P.M., has filed notice of intention to make final commutation proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before W. E. Lindsey, U.S. Commissioner, at his office in Portales, N.M., on the 15th day of January, 1910.

Claimant names as witnesses: Thomas I. Park, Does B. Moore, William C. Terrill, Thomas M. Despain, all of Cromer, N.M.

T. C. Tiltonson, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Non coal land 08991.

Department of the Interior, U.S. land office at Roswell, N.M., December 4th, 1909.

Notice is hereby given that Alberta L. Shay, of Portales, N.M., who on April 15, 1903, made homestead entry No. 4005, serial No. 08991, for northeast quarter section 23, township 2 south, range 37 east, N.M.P.M., has filed notice of intention to make final five year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before W. E. Lindsey, U.S. Commissioner, at his office in Portales, N.M., on the 15th day of January, 1910.

Claimant names as witnesses: Alexander A. Aston, James F. Gardner, Byron M. McCall, all of Portales, N.M., and Edgar P. Williams, of Macy, N.M.

T. C. Tiltonson, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Non coal land 09793.

Department of the Interior, U.S. land office at Roswell, N.M., December 4th, 1909.

Notice is hereby given that James G. Grigg, of Portales, N.M., who, on December 2, 1908, made homestead entry No. 6392, serial No. 09793, for range 33 east, N.M.P.M., township 1 south, southwest quarter section 17 township 1 south, range 33 east, N.M.P.M., has filed notice of intention to make final commutation proof, to establish claim to the land above described before W. E. Lindsey, U.S. Commissioner, at his office at claimant names as witnesses: Robert W. O'Neal, James C. Neice, Samuel J. Stinnett, Charles H. Stinnett, all of Portales, New Mexico.

T. C. Tiltonson, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Non coal land 014744.

Department of the Interior, U.S. land office at Roswell, N.M., December 4th, 1909.

Notice is hereby given that Augustus G. Thomas of Rogers, N.M., who on Apr. 2, 1908, made homestead entry No. 14940 serial No. 014744 for range 33 east, N.M.P.M., township 3 south, section 23, township 3 south, range 33 east, N.M.P.M., has filed notice of intention to make final commutation proof, to establish claim to the land above described before W. E. Lindsey, U.S. Commissioner, at his office at claimant names as witnesses: David M. Frew, Pinc C. Dillon, William B. Hule, Minnie Robinson, all of Delphos, N.M.

T. C. Tiltonson, Register.

If you need a first class suit, call and inspect those fine wools at Landers Bros. They will make you a fit.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Non coal land 014984.

Department of the Interior, United States land office at Roswell, N.M., Dec. 4th, 1909.

Notice is hereby given that Myra K. Hicks, formerly Myra K. Fors, of Rogers, New Mexico, who, on May 9, 1908, made homestead entry No. 15167, serial No. 014984, for northeast quarter, section 20, township 4 south, range 36 east, New Mexico principal meridian has filed notice of intention to make final commutation proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before W. E. Lindsey, U.S. Commissioner, at his office in Portales, N.M., on the 15th day of January, 1910.

Claimant names as witnesses: James E. Tollett, Nathan Webb, Bert Boggs, all of Inez, N.M., and Joseph E. Phillips, of Rogers, N.M.

T. C. Tiltonson, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Non coal land 010126.

Department of the Interior, U.S. land office at Roswell, N.M., December 4th, 1909.

Notice is hereby given that John W. Brundridge, of Rogers, New Mexico, who, on March 16, 1906, made homestead entry No. 715, serial No. 010126 for southeast quarter section 15, township 9 south, range 35 east New Mexico principal meridian has filed notice of intention to make final commutation proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before W. E. Lindsey, U.S. Commissioner, at his office in Portales, N.M., on the 15th day of January, 1910.

Claimant names as witnesses: George W. Davidson, Pleasant H. Alford, Gus D. Mcnabb, Charles I. Graves, all of Rogers, New Mexico.

T. C. Tiltonson, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Non coal land 013940.

Department of the Interior, U.S. land office at Roswell, N.M., Dec. 4th, 1909.

Notice is hereby given that L. Dow Penderbark, of Turner, N.M., who on Jan. 25, 1908, made homestead entry No. 12862, serial No. 013940, for southeast quarter section 10, township 2 south, range Mead New Mexico principal meridian has filed notice of intention to make final commutation proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before W. E. Lindsey, U.S. Commissioner, at his office in Portales, N.M., on the 15th day of January, 1910.

Claimant names as witnesses: William A. Clark, Thomas H. Golden, William A. Turner, all of Turner, N.M., Stephen A. Crab Portales, N.M.

T. C. Tiltonson, Register.

CONTEST NOTICE.

Department of the Interior, U.S. land office at Roswell, N.M., November 26, 1909.

A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by John G. Garmany, of Amarillo, Texas, contestant, against homestead entry No. 13822, made Jan. 19, 1908, for lots 1, 2, and east half northwest quarter of section 20, township 30 south, range 30 east, by Hugh F. Campbell, contestant, in which it is alleged, under date of Sep. 10, 1908, that the said Hugh F. Campbell has wholly abandoned said tract; that he has changed his residence therefrom for more than six months since making said entry and next prior to the date of said affidavit; that the said tract is not settled upon and cultivated by the said party as required by law; that said alleged absence from the said land was not due to his employment in the army, navy, or marine corps of the United States, in any capacity, in time of war; said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond, and offer evidence touching said allegations at 9 o'clock, A.M., on January 26, 1910, before W. E. Lindsey, U.S. Commissioner, at Portales, New Mexico, and that final hearing will be held at 9 o'clock, A.M., on February 6, 1910, before the register and receiver at the U.S. land office in Roswell, N.M.

The said contestant having, in a proper affidavit, filed November 26, 1909, set forth facts which show that after diligence, personal service of this notice can not be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication.

T. C. Tiltonson, Register.

CONTEST NOTICE.

Department of the Interior, U.S. land office at Roswell, N.M., November 27, 1909.

A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by Taylor D. Little, of Canby, N.M., contestant, against homestead entry No. 8889 made Aug. 24, 1908, for southeast quarter of section 33, township 5 south, range 35 east by John E. Grove, contestant, in which it is alleged, under date of March 5, 1909, that the said John E. Grove has wholly abandoned said tract; that he has changed his residence therefrom for more than six months since making said entry and next prior to the date of said affidavit; that the said tract is not settled upon and cultivated by the said party as required by law; that said alleged absence from the said land was not due to his employment in the army, navy or marine corps of the United States, in any capacity, in time of war; said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond, and offer evidence touching said allegations at 9 o'clock, A.M., on January 26, 1910, before Joseph E. Tollett, U.S. Commissioner, at Portales, N.M., and that final hearing will be held at 9 o'clock, A.M., on February 6, 1910, before the register and receiver at the United States land office in Roswell, N.M.

The said contestant having, in a proper affidavit, filed November 27, 1909, set forth facts which show that after diligence, personal service of this notice can not be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication.

T. C. Tiltonson, Register.

CONTEST NOTICE.

Department of the Interior, United States land office, Roswell, N.M., November 26, 1909.

A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by Claude Clifton, of Pearson, N.M., contestant, against homestead entry No. 8888, made Aug. 25, 1908, for southeast quarter section 27, township 1 south, range 35 east, by Marie E. Beigh, contestant, in which it is alleged, under date of March 5, 1909, that the said Marie E. Beigh has wholly abandoned the said tract; that he has changed his residence therefrom for more than six months since making said entry and next prior to the date of said affidavit; that the said tract is not settled upon and cultivated by the said party as required by law; that said alleged absence from the said land was not due to his employment in the army, navy or marine corps of the United States, in any capacity, in time of war; said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond and offer evidence touching said allegations at 9 o'clock, A.M., on January 26, 1910, before Joseph E. Tollett, U.S. Commissioner, at Portales, N.M., and that final hearing will be held at 9 o'clock, A.M., on February 6, 1910, before the register and receiver at the United States land office in Roswell, N.M.

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T. C. Tiltonson, Register.

Notice of Special Masters Sale.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, appointed appraiser to make sale, by virtue of a decree of foreclosure, of the district court of Roosevelt county, entered on the 10th day of November, 1909, in the case of Wilson vs. C. H. Wilson and plaintiff and N. H. Deahl is defendant. Said cause being No. 536, on the civil docket of said court, docketed on Saturday, the 10th day of February, 1910, the sale will be held at public sale in front of the east door of the court house of Roosevelt county, New Mexico, and of public sale together with all the improvements thereon. Said property situated in Roosevelt county, New Mexico. The said C. H. Wilson was by fact and payment of which foreclosure was had had in said cause, which lien amounts to, and said sale will be made to, realize and satisfy the sum of \$723.03 (seven hundred and twenty-three dollars and three cents) together with cost of said sale and further cost of making said sale. Said sale will be subject to confirmation by the district court.

SAM J. NIXON, Special Master.

Dated this December 4, 1909.

Compton & Compton, attorneys for plaintiff, Portales, N.M.

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For several days the temperature has been reduced and, as a consequence, so has our stock of Heating Stoves. If you need one you better come quick, while they last. We carry several varieties in all sizes and can please the eye and fit the pocketbook. Select what you want and we'll do the rest.

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Charter Oak Cast and Steel Cook Stoves are so well known by every one that they buy them without question and go home well pleased. Charter Oaks are sold on their merit. Another car coming.

Remember that the Best Range in the World is the Great Majestic, We are Agents for Portales

Better Christmas Gifts

Christmas time is almost here and it's eminently proper that you should begin to think about some suitable gift for the good wife who has so patiently and diligently labored for your comfort and welfare during the past year and, in making your selection, permit us to suggest that useful gifts are not only highly appropriate, but are thrice welcome because of their usefulness. What could possibly give more pleasure than the receipt of a handsome carving set, a half dozen silver knives and forks, a Majestic Range or any one or more of the handsome and indispensable articles we are now showing. Call and look them over.

Special Sale On Buggies, Road Wagons, Hacks and Surreys, beginning as soon as this advertisement is read and ends when they are all sold. Here is a bargain in a \$95.00 top buggy that some one will get, first come first served. Anchor grade, wheels 4 inches; axles, arched, long distance, double collar, with wood bed cemented. This is a regular \$95.00 rig, our sale price..... **\$76.45**

Now is the time to save money. Come in and see this rig. Prices on other rigs up from..... **\$39.50**

Anchor Patent construction adds years of life to the body, shafts bridged and braced with quick shifting coupler. Painted black with neat, red stripes, Trimmings, genuine leather, rubber roof, with extra heavy all wool linings. Spring cushion and back, all parts sewed, not tacked. Anchor fifth wheels cannot break, they have reinforced connections, strengthened by a double angle steel plate, clamped to the hickory reach and firmly attached to the fifth wheel and rear perch connection. The rider is always safe in an anchor buggy.

You will find us headquarters for Corrugated Roofing, Galvanized Barbed Wire, Painted Barbed wire, Galvanized and Painted Cable Wire, Eclipse and Leader Wind Mills all sizes, Pumps, Pipe, Casing, Sucker Rods, John Deere Riding and Walking Plows, Harrows, Discs, in fact, everything and anything Hardware.

The Hardy Hardware Company

The Hardware Store Ahead. Portales, New Mexico

Christmas will soon be here. Some people who buy useful presents will always come here to buy:

- Majestic Ranges
- Pocket Knives
- Scissors
- Razors
- Razor Strops
- Sad Irons
- Wringers
- Silver Spoons
- Knives and Forks
- Carving Sets
- Lanterns
- Oil Heaters
- Cereal Cookers
- Bread Boxes
- Butcher Knives
- Target Rifles
- Shot Guns
- Water Sets
- Kitchenware
- Food Choppers
- Roasters
- Safety Razors
- Lawn Mowers
- Shaving Sets
- Enamelware
- Lamps
- Buggy Harness
- Double Buggy Harness
- Coffee Makers
- Noodle Cutters
- Clothes Sprinklers
- Flour Bins
- Ice Cream Ereczers
- Shoes
- Motorcycles
- Air Ships

COUNTY CORRESPONDENCE

DORA DOTS.

Elvin Hughes has returned from Oklahoma.

School began at Dora Monday with Miss Hill as teacher.

The telephone line from Longs to Dora will soon be completed.

Rev. Kyle of Elida has been called as minister for the Baptist church at Dora and will preach here regularly once a month.

From the looks of the plows and farming implements surrounding Mr. Dutton's blacksmith shop Friday, it looked as though some of the farmers were getting ready to get busy.

Mr. McMahan and family who formerly lived at Dora and left some six months ago for Oklahoma, have arrived and are back on their claim again. Suppose they think New Mexico, the Land of Sunshine, is the best place after all.

For rheumatic pains and twinges, pains in the neck of the bladder, and in the joints, etc. take Pineules, the new remedy. These are being used by a great many people everywhere. Pineules can be depended upon—they are an excellent preparation for kidney troubles. They act promptly. Sold by Portales Drug Store.

ROGERS RUMBLINGS.

Ben and Fred Duke have returned from Oklahoma.

Quite a few of the farmers are turning sod since the snow.

Old Santa Clause will be welcome here Christmas in case he is still living.

T. M. Fullerton has bought half interest in the mill from D. G. McNabb.

John Young has returned from Arkansas where he has been on a business trip.

Rev. Wagoner filled his regular appointment at this place Sunday morning.

Our merchant, S.F. Anderson, and wife left Tuesday for Kansas City and other points in Missouri where Mr. Anderson goes

to buy goods and will no doubt visit their old home before they return.

Charlie Cox has returned from Oklahoma where he has been the past few months.

Everybody come and bring your trading stock and get on jockey ring Monday.

Will Henson and Fred Curry have returned from Roswell where they have been on a pleasure trip.

W. H. Henley of Temple Hill, Ill., left Tuesday for his home after visiting his daughter, Mrs. J. C. Barrett, the past few weeks.

Get your material for fruit cake at Austins.

At any time and at all times Pineule Carbolic will be found just what is needed for burns, cuts, and bruises. It is sold here by Portales Drug Store.

See Adams & Crow for anything in the tinshop line, heavy shop made stove pipe, bachelor stove drums, galvanized flues and well casing for large and small wells, valley tin ridge rolls, etc. Opposite Presbyterian church. Phone 71.

Bees Laxative Cough Syrup is highly recommended, especially by mothers in cases of colds or coughs. It drives the cold from the system through the bowels, and at the same time heals irritation of the throat and allays inflammation. Sold by Portales Drug Store.

Farm Loans.

I am now prepared to negotiate loans on farm lands.

T. J. MOLINARL

The Rev. I. R. Hicks Almanac For 1910

Ready November 15th, 1909, a splendid year-book, on astronomy and meteorology, the only one containing the original "Hicks Weather Forecasts." By mail, postpaid, 35c, on newstands, 30c. One copy free with a years subscription to Word and Works, the Rev. I. R. Hicks Monthly Magazine, the best \$1. monthly in America. Discounts on Almanacs in quantities. Agents wanted. Remember, the genuine "Hicks Forecasts" are not published anywhere else—you get them only in his own publications. WORD AND WORKS PUBLISHING CO., 2201 Locust St., St. Louis, Mo.

Renews Youth

Musical Comedy Removes Gloom of Existence

By HATTIE WILLIAMS.



WHY is musical comedy so popular? Listen to the opening strain of the overture and learn the answer. Is it gloomy? Is it somber? Does it depress? Does it make you think of the disappointments of the day, in business, at home, in your ambition? No. It sets your blood a-tingling—if you have blood instead of water in your veins; it sets your feet a-dancing; it sets your mind working—it recalls all the pleasant minutes of your life, brings hope for the future—it is, to quote from that most wonderful of philosophers, Peter Pan, "Youth and life and joy."

There are 10,000 reasons why musical comedy is popular, because there are 10,000 ebullient, joyful notes to the melody that runs through the performance; because there are innumerable flashes of light to brighten the gloom of day-by-day existence; because it takes you out of yourself, kills selfishness, kills egotism, kills self-thought.

Every time I make a first appearance in a city in a new musical comedy I wait to read the criticisms that start off with this comment: "There was little of plot," or "The story was thready," or "Of the narrative there is little,"—but—then comes the tale of how the audience recalled the chief comedian five times, and demanded the song gem over and over again; of how "the eccentric dance in the second act elicited the greatest approbation," and so on, and so on.

What is musical comedy? Entertainment. What do thousands of tired men and women go to the theater for? Entertainment!

The curtain rises on a scene of beauty—beautiful girls, in beautiful gowns. And the eyes, that have all day long pored over bankers' accounts, or depressing letters from home, or notes of regret from social leaders, become rested in the mass of color and motion, of grace and beauty. The music surges upward with beautiful harmonies and chords that strike to your heart, and the ears, worried all day by the shrill call of the telephone, receive with gratitude the restful tones; the comedian talks "nonsense" and you sigh with relief after all the awful "sense" you have been listening to for hours before; the situations are ludicrous—but you are not the fool; there are many jokes—but you are not the butt; the heroine marries the hero, and all the romantic dreams of your youth come true. It isn't a bit like real life—but then, if you are seeking for real life, why not take a ride in the overcrowded subway instead of making a holiday and going to a theater?

It wasn't Shakespeare who said: "A little nonsense now and then is relished by the best of men," or something like that, but there's a lot of philosophy outside of Shakespeare and just as water will find its level, so will the PUBLIC (I want to spell in with capitals) find its relief from daily care and toil in that kingdom of laughter—the musical comedy.

So, "Long live musical comedy," say I, and "Long live joy!" What is life without a laugh?

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We are making some very attractive prices on all kinds of building material. Bring us your bill and get our figures.

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Portales Times

BY G. V. JOHNSON.

Entered as second-class mail matter at the post office at Portales, New Mexico.

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Advertising rates 50 cents an inch per month. Local rates 5 cents per line each insertion. Legal advertising, six point type, 75 cents per line for first publication, 5 cents per line for each subsequent publication.

SUBSCRIPTION \$1.00 PER YEAR.

TELEPHONE NO. 83.

The single man out of a job is to be pitied, as he has no wife to support him.

The man who sits down to wait for something to turn up will need a cushion on his seat.

Physicians say that the new woman is becoming round shouldered by wearing suspenders to support heavy skirts. We are of the opinion that it is caused by supporting good-for-nothing husbands.

The man who goes fishing and sits in a cramp-inviting posture on a narrow thwart from early morn till dewy eve and calls it fun, is the same chap that never goes to church because the pews arn't comfortable.

A town that is large enough and good enough for a man to earn his living in is good enough for him to buy his provisions in. If he does not think so, both he and his town would be better off if his tent were pitched on other prairies.

A man made a bet that he could invent a question to which fifty men would give the same answer. He won the bet. The question was: "Have you heard that Smith has committed suicide?" The answer was in each case: "What Smith."

Did you ever pick up a paper published at a strange town and see a large showy advertisement without thinking to yourself or saying to your neighbor, "That man must be doing an immense business," or forming a resolution to visit that firm the first opportunity?

According to a recent decision of the courts, a man who wants to go faster than his neighbor who is ahead of him on the road, has a right to pass. If he is prevented by the other and an accident happens because of the latter's interference, the obstructionist is responsible for the damage.

More steel is now used in the manufacture of pens than in that of swords. It is even said that the metal annually turned into pens, weighs more than all the metal used during a year in all the war implement factories of the world. Should this be true it emphasizes the saying, "The pen is mightier than the sword."

It is astonishing how many business men can be talked into taking space in a chart, or frame or register, or some other thing that has no excuse for existence. A schemer will get more for his worthless card than a country publisher would. It is people who have been thus duped who complain that advertising does not pay.

A man who believes in the old saying, "See a pin and pick it up, and all that day you'll have good luck," saw a pin in front of the post office the other day. Bending down to get it, his hat tumbled off and rolled into the gutter; his eyeglass fell and broke on the pavement, his suspenders gave way behind; he burst the buttonhole on the back of his shirt collar, and he all but lost his new front teeth. He got the pin.

About the Sugar Beet.

Sugar beet raising is to become a great industry in the western portion of the United States, and on this line we give some points by a writer in Raton Range.

"The Secretary of agriculture says that the production of our sugar at home will go farther toward raising our standard of agriculture than will any other one thing. The agricultural scientists I met in Europe last year told me that the production of sugar had been the greatest factor in the advancement of agricultural science in European countries. It should be patent to anyone, that inasmuch as we are perfectly capable of producing at home the enormous quantities of sugar we annually import, we ought to produce it at home. In the second place, inasmuch as it takes all the money we secure from 13,000,000 acres of wheat to purchase the sugar we could produce from 2,000,000 acres of sugar beets, it would appear that we would make more money if we grew the 2,000,000 acres of sugar beets and turn the remaining 11,000,000 acres into meadows and there by increase our rapidly decreasing herds. But these reasons pale into insignificance when compared to the indirect agricultural advantages to be gained by producing our sugar beets and through the agricultural science which a beet sugar factory brings into a community.

"European economists told me that if cane and beet sugar could be produced alongside of each other, the former at a direct cost of 2 cents per pound and the latter at a direct cost of four cents per pound, the 4-cent beet sugar would be the cheapest sugar for the nation, because the indirect agricultural advantages which are to be obtained through rotating with sugar beets amounts to even more than the entire cost of producing the sugar, while sugar cane is an agricultural juggernaut, which mows down and blights every other form of agriculture with which it comes in contact. Wherever sugar beets are grown every other kind of a crop is grown to advantage.

"Every beet sugar factory is equipped with a corps of men skilled in agricultural science and these men are in touch with the farmers of the community so very constantly. Not only do they teach the farmers of the community as to how best to grow sugar beets, but they teach them how to produce to better advantage than of all, they teach them the necessity and the science of rotation. In Europe a beet sugar factory is regarded as being as valuable to the nation as a government agricultural school, of which they maintain vast numbers."

Notice of Suit.

In the district court of Roosevelt county, New Mexico.
Jessie Palmer, Plaintiff.
vs.
Edward Palmer, Defendant. No. 542.
To the defendant Edward Palmer, in the above entitled cause: You will take notice that a suit has been filed against you in the district court for the fifth judicial district of the territory of New Mexico, for the county of Roosevelt, in which Jessie Palmer is plaintiff and Edward Palmer is defendant and numbered 542 on the docket of the said court.
The general objects of the suit are as follows: The plaintiff asks for an absolute divorce from you upon the grounds of abandonment, and prays that she may be restored to the status of a single person and for such other and further relief as the nature of the case may require, and the court shall direct.
You are further notified that if you fail to appear and plead or answer in this case on or before the 16th day of December, 1909, judgment by default will be rendered against you in this suit and the allegations in plaintiff's complaint will be taken as confessed and the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint.
Reese & Reese are the attorneys for the plaintiff and their business address is Portales, New Mexico.
Witness my hand and the seal of said court on this 27th day of October, 1909.
S. I. ROBERTS, Clerk.
By E. B. LITTLE, Deputy.

If You Have or Want

SECOND HAND GOODS
SEE
J. D. HURLEY
Corner of Ohio and State Streets, back of Neer's Drug Store.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Roswell, N. M., October 23, 1909.
Notice is hereby given that Lillian E. Burt, of Macy, N. M., who, on Aug. 25, 1906, made homestead entry, serial No. 6262, for northwest quarter, section 14, township 2 south, range 31 east N. M. P. M. has filed notice of intention to make final commutation proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before W. E. Lindsey, U. S. commissioner, at his office in Portales, N. M., on the 10th day of December, 1909.
Claimant names as witnesses: William F. Shaw, Alberta L. Shaw, Joseph W. Burt, Horace E. Yandell, all of Macy, N. M.
T. C. Tillotson, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Roswell, N. M., October 27, 1909.
Notice is hereby given that George M. Dallas Hawkins, of Floyd, N. M., who on Jan. 11, 1908, made homestead entry, serial No. 6095, for southwest quarter, section 33, township 1 north, range 21 east New Mexico principal meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final five year proof to establish claim to the land above described, before W. E. Lindsey, U. S. commissioner, at his office in Portales, N. M., on the 14th day of December, 1909.
Claimant names as witnesses: Martin J. Johnston, William G. Busey, all of Floyd, N. M.; James T. Holmes, of Langton, N. M.
T. C. Tillotson, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Roswell, N. M., October 27, 1909.
Notice is hereby given that James A. Jackson, of Causey, N. M., who on Dec. 2, 1906, made homestead entry 10524, serial No. 61556, for southeast quarter, section 13, township 5 south, range 26 east, N. M. P. M., has filed notice of intention to make final commutation proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before J. M. Hanes, U. S. commissioner, at his office in Causey, N. M., on the 16th day of Dec. 1909.
Claimant names as witnesses: David E. Little, Andrew E. Winters, Robert L. Wells, Frank T. Huffman, all of Causey, N. M.
T. C. Tillotson, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Roswell, N. M., October 25, 1909.
Notice is hereby given that Don Biscoe, of Long, New Mexico, who on May 4, 1906, made homestead entry, serial No. 60624, for northeast quarter section 11, township 5 south, range 30 east N. M. P. M. has filed notice of intention to make final commutation proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before F. S. North, United States commissioner, at his office in Roswell, N. M., on the 30th day of December, 1909.
Claimant names as witnesses: Thomas H. Brooks, of Long, N. M.; George W. Cottrill, Joe F. Copeland, Samuel J. Gresson, all of Misco, N. M.
T. C. Tillotson, Register.

CONTEST NOTICE.

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Roswell, N. M., Oct. 29, 1909.
A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by John G. Starnes, of Given, New Mexico, contestant, against homestead entry No. 7500 made April 7, 1906, for northeast quarter, section 23, township 3 south, range 30 east, N. M. P. M., in which it is alleged, under date of Feb. 25, 1909, that the said James W. Maples has wholly abandoned said tract, that he has changed his residence therefrom for more than six months since making said entry and next prior to the date of said affidavit, in which it is alleged, that said tract was not settled upon and cultivated by the said party as required by law; that said alleged absence from said land was not due to his employment in the army, navy, or marine corps of the United States, in any capacity, in time of war; said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond, and offer evidence touching said allegations at 9 o'clock, A. M. on Dec. 24, 1909, before W. E. Lindsey, U. S. commissioner, at his office in Portales, N. M., and that final hearing will be held at 9 o'clock, A. M. on Dec. 30, 1909, before the register and receiver at the U. S. land office in Roswell, N. M.

The said contestant having, in a proper affidavit, filed October 29, 1909, set forth facts which show that, after diligence, personal service of this notice can not be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication.
T. C. Tillotson, Register.

CONTEST NOTICE.

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Roswell, New Mexico, November 8, 1909.
A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by Nathaniel M. Gooch, of Delphos New Mexico, contestant, against homestead entry No. 7500 made April 7, 1906, for northeast quarter section 7, township 3 south, range 30 east, New Mexico Principal meridian, by John W. Hay, contestant, in which it is alleged, under date of November 1st, 1909, that the said John W. Hay has wholly abandoned said tract; that he has changed his residence therefrom for more than four years and five months since making said entry and next prior to the date of said affidavit, in which it is alleged, that said tract is not settled upon and cultivated by the said party as required by law; that said alleged absence from said land was not due to his employment in the army, navy, or marine corps of the United States, in any capacity, in time of war; said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond, and offer evidence touching said allegations at 9 o'clock, a. m. on January 8, 1909, before the register and receiver at the United States land office in Roswell, New Mexico.
The said contestant having, in a proper affidavit, filed October 29, 1909, set forth facts which show that, after diligence, personal service of this notice can not be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication.
T. C. Tillotson, Register.

CONTEST NOTICE.

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Roswell, New Mexico, October 27, 1909.
A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by Lewis A. Little, of Causey, New Mexico, contestant, against homestead entry No. 8019, made May 22, 1906, for southeast one fourth of section 9, township 5 south, range 36 east, by John W. Males, contestant, in which it is alleged, under date of April 15th, 1907, that the said John W. Males has wholly abandoned said tract; that he has changed his residence therefrom for more than six months since making said entry and next prior to the date of said affidavit; that the said tract is not settled upon and cultivated by the said party as required by law; that said alleged absence from the said land was not due to his employment in the army, navy, or marine corps of the United States, in any capacity, in time of war; said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond, and offer evidence touching said allegations at 9 o'clock, a. m. on December 4, 1909, before W. E. Lindsey, United States land commissioner, and that final hearing will be held at 9 o'clock, a. m. on December 13, 1909, before the register and receiver at the United States land office in Roswell, New Mexico.
The said contestant having, in a proper affidavit, filed July 26, 1909, set forth facts which show that, after diligence, personal service of this notice can not be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication.
T. C. Tillotson, Register.

CONTEST NOTICE.

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Roswell, N. M., October 21, 1909.
A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by Charlie H. Counts, of Portales, N. M., contestant, against homestead entry No. 6331, made December 22, 1906, for south half southeast quarter, section 10 and south half southeast quarter section 11, township 2 south, range 26 east, N. M. P. M., by Alonzo Parrish, contestant, in which it is alleged, under date of August 17, 1909, that the said Alonzo Parrish has wholly failed and neglected to establish his residence on said land since the date of said entry; that said tract is not settled upon and cultivated by said party as required by law; that said alleged absence from said land was not due to his employment in the army, navy, or marine corps of the United States, in any capacity, in time of war; said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond, and offer evidence touching said allegations at 9 o'clock, a. m. on November 1st, 1909, before the Register and Receiver at the U. S. land office in Roswell, New Mexico.
The said contestant having, in a proper affidavit, filed October 21, 1909, set forth facts which show that after due diligence personal service of this notice can not be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication.
T. C. Tillotson, Register.

CONTEST NOTICE.

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Roswell, N. M., October 21, 1909.
A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by Charlie H. Counts, of Portales, N. M., contestant, against homestead entry No. 6331, made December 22, 1906, for south half southeast quarter, section 10 and south half southeast quarter section 11, township 2 south, range 26 east, N. M. P. M., by Alonzo Parrish, contestant, in which it is alleged, under date of August 17, 1909, that the said Alonzo Parrish has wholly failed and neglected to establish his residence on said land since the date of said entry; that said tract is not settled upon and cultivated by said party as required by law; that said alleged absence from said land was not due to his employment in the army, navy, or marine corps of the United States, in any capacity, in time of war; said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond, and offer evidence touching said allegations at 9 o'clock, a. m. on November 1st, 1909, before the Register and Receiver at the U. S. land office in Roswell, New Mexico.
The said contestant having, in a proper affidavit, filed October 21, 1909, set forth facts which show that after due diligence personal service of this notice can not be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication.
T. C. Tillotson, Register.



Santa Claus

Has just sent word to us that he has decided to again make our store his headquarters during the coming holidays

Now we are not going to tell you that you must come at once or miss something exceptionally good. We have made ample provision for all "possible" demands and, while we will appreciate the early call, we want you to know that you will find all that you can possibly desire in the way of toys and holiday goods, right up to and including Christmas day. We have every toy you ever saw or ever heard of. Watch our store for big toy display

Furniture for Christmas Presents

There is nothing in the world that makes as nice and useful a present as a piece of new furniture. What could possibly be more acceptable, or give the good wife more pleasure and comfort than one of our handsome rockers? Think it over. We have everything for Christmas, at all kinds of prices, from 5c to \$100. Make our store your resting place when on shopping trips.

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Prompt attention given to all kinds of light and
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**How is Your Time
PIECE?**
I will repair your watch and regu-
late it and do it right. Jewelry
repaired. At Red Cross drug store
W. E. MILLER

The Cough Syrup that
ride the system of a cold
by acting as a cathartic on the
lungs is

**BEES
LAXATIVE
COUGH SYRUP**
Bees is the original laxative cough syrup.
Contains no opiates, greatly moves the
bowels, carrying the cold off through the
natural channels. Guaranteed to give
relief or money refunded.
PORTALES DRUG COMPANY.

Local and Personal.

Pure maple syrup at Faggard's.
An everlasting need. Laster's
Coal.

Dressed poultry at Austin's on
Mondays and Fridays.

Just received a car of bran
and shorts at Portales Grain &
Coal Co.

Our phone is continually ringing
for more of that good coal. Las-
ter.

Attorney T. E. Mears returned
Monday evening from his busi-
ness trip to Arkansas.

John W. Yates and family left
Monday to visit relatives at
Paris, Texas, a few weeks.

Remember we give 2000 pounds
best lump coal for a ton for \$7.00,
Phone 53, Rocky Cliff Coal Co.

Will Kennison returned Tues-
day from Seattle, Washington,
where he had been for the past
six months.

Listen, you can buy jewelry
and silverware at a bargain for
the next thirty days at the Por-
tales Drug Co.

Mike Lemaster, president of
the First National Bank of Altus,
Oklahoma, was here last
week prospecting.

Once used always used. Why?
The best for the least money.
\$5.75 and \$7.00 per ton. Phone
Rocky Cliff Coal Co.

Ben Smith, Claude Anderson
and Coe Howard left Tuesday on
a business trip to Dallas and
other points in Texas.

C. E. Traweck, fiscal agent of
the New Mexico Life Insurance
Co. of Roswell, was here last
week on business for his com-
pany.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Henry
Ford, a girl, Thursday, Decem-
ber 9th. Mr. and Mrs. Ford
live on Ed. J. Neer's farm south
of town.

J. T. Keene of Fannin county,
Texas, is here this week pros-
pecting, and visiting his son,
Bruce Keene, who lives near
Turner.

Roy Flick's mother was here
visiting him Saturday. He
went to her home at St Vrain
with her Sunday and returned
Monday evening.

M. M. Bounds has traded some
cattle to D. R. Hamilton for
a school section a mile and a quar-
ter from Elida. Mr. Hamilton
will take these and some other
cattle and horses to the Spur
ranch in Crosby county, Texas,
to winter.

The Odd Fellows lodge of Por-
tales have elected the following
officers to be installed the first
meeting night in January: J. F.
Tompkins, noble grand; C. V.
Harris, vice grand; C. P. Mit-
chell, secretary; M. B. Jones,
treasurer.

M. J. Logan and family of
Arch leave Friday for San Fern-
ando, California, to visit relatives
and remain for the winter and
probably longer. He and his
brothers still own all their land
and will probably be back here
at no far distant date.

C. V. Harris & Co. have pur-
chased the stock and fixtures of
R. A. Ivie's grocery and notion
store next to the post office.
Harris & Co. will continue the
store in its present location till
January 1st, when it will be
consolidated with the stock of
the Arkansas Store.

W. W. Humble, W. W. New-
som, Fred Crosby, Arthur Jones
and J. E. Morrison left Tuesday
for Aransas Pass, Texas, to wit-
ness the drawing for lots, tak-
ing place the 9th of this month,
each having an interest in draw-
ing. Fred Crosby took his little
daughter with him.

American Black Coal is the
name of the cheapest and best.
Laster sells it.

Uncle Tom Hammond and family
of Floyd, among our earliest
settlers and most respected fami-
lies, left this week for Wichita
Falls, Texas. Mr. Hammond
still owns his land but he had
about twenty-five head of high
bred horses and took them to
Wichita Falls where feed is
cheaper and he could handle
them in better shape. Mr. Ham-
mond is great lover good horses
and knows how to handle them.

Pure mince meat in quart jars
at 35 cents at Faggard's.

J. B. Pruett and Eugene Mays
the blind broom makers, who
have been temporarily out of
business, have opened up again
and gone to work making brooms
in a new location on southeast
Main street in a new building on
the school section. These men
are rustlers and make good
brooms. Patronize home industry
by using their brooms. Inquire
for them at your grocery or call
at their factory.

Among other real estate trans-
actions this week one in particu-
lar is of considerable importance.
Judge A. B. Seay traded his resi-
dence in town and his farm three
miles south, for the handsome
town residence belonging to W.
M. Cox, getting the difference in
value in money. By this trans-
action Judge Seay acquires title
to one of the handsomest resi-
dence properties in the city.

Geo. W. McMahan and family
arrived Monday from Noble, Ok-
lahoma, and moved out on their
farm near Dora. Mr. McMahan
and family left here last Feb-
ruary, but their yearning for
New Mexico brought them back.
Mr. McMahan brought a car
load of stock and goods with him.
Mr. McMahan and family are
good citizens and we are glad to
have them back in this country.

H. J. Wolff, who lives about
six miles west of town, this week
brought to the Times office three
turnips, the combined weight of
which was sixteen pounds. One
of these turnips weighed a little
more than six pounds. Of course
Mr. Wolff irrigated a little from
his wind mill, but these are
good turnips for any country, ir-
rigated or non-irrigated.

George Bengo of Pearson, who
has been staying at Skiatook,
Oklahoma, on account of the
health of his wife and baby, is
here this week on a business
trip. He reports his folks get-
ting along nicely. Mr. Bengo
has taken service with the gov-
ernment of Fort Reno, Oklahoma,
for a time as horse trainer and
will go there soon.

The Modern Woodmen have
elected the following officers for
the coming year: W. I. Luikart,
venerable consul; Brackett Law-
rence, worthy advisor; Coleman
Justice, banker; John Corhn,
clerk; Wallace Austin, escort;
Walter Morris, watchman, John
W. Yates, sentry; G. V. Johnson
member board of managers.

Rocky Cliff coal costs less,
gives more heat and lasts longer.
\$7.00 per ton. Phone No. 53.

Go to Ed J. Neer for furniture
and undertaking and to C. M.
Dobbs book store for school books

If its good coal you want,
thats our business. Best lump,
\$7.00. Rocky Cliff Coal Co.

S. E. Dixon & Co. will irrigate
your land for \$10.00 per acre and
guarantee fuel expense.

Remember that satisfaction is
guaranteed at Landers Bros.
tailor shop.

Good hack and camp outfit to
trade for a saddle horse.—C. L.
Carter.

Cheapest fruit in town for the
holidays at A. B. Austin's.

Diamond K flour, once tried al-
ways used, at Faggard's.

Quintessence flour, the best on
earth, at Faggard & Co.
Holiday goods are arriving at
the Portales Drug Co.
There's a stability about Las-
ter's coal.

**Teachers and Mothers Club
Organized.**

The teachers and mothers of
town organized a "Teachers and
Mothers Club" at the school build-
ing Friday afternoon, December
3d. The movement originated
with Professor Fore who is anx-
ious to secure a better under-
standing and co-operation be-
tween mothers and teachers.
About twenty-five mothers and
teachers were present and after
some preliminary discussion by
Professor Fore and Mrs. W. O.
Oldham, the club was organized
and the following officers were
elected by ballot: Mrs. W. O.
Oldham, president; Mrs. B. Blan-
kenship, vice president; Miss
Hutchinson secretary; Mrs. G.
W. Dunlap, press reporter.
Meetings are to be held once a
month and suitable program,
with discussion of the most vital
questions of mothers, will be
rendered. A special invitation is
extended to the out-of-town
mothers to get it and join in the
effort.

Following is the program to be
rendered Friday, December 17th.
"Excuses,"—Professor Fore;
"Tardiness,"—Miss Shay; "Im-
provement of School Grounds,"
—Mrs. Hightower; "What par-
ents can do to aid the teacher,"
—Mrs. Humphrey, "Punish-
ments,"—Mrs. Greene, "Public
School Authority,"—Mrs. Blan-
kenship,—"School Discipline,"
—Mrs. Dunlap—"An understand-
ing between teacher and parent,"
—Mrs. Alldredge—Question box.

Life just now should be just
one ton good coal after another.
Laster.

Pritchard-Goff Nuptials.

Married, at the office of the
probate clerk, on Thursday, De-
cember, 9, 1909, Mr. H. M. Pri-
chard, of Macy, this county, and
Miss Eulalia Goff, of Sherman,
Texas, Judge A. B. Seay officiat-
ing. The groom is a pros-
perous and highly respected
farmer of near Macy and is, at
this time, constable of the pre-
cinct in which he lives. The
bride is a handsome and highly
accomplished young lady and
well calculated to gladden the
heart share the joys of the happy
groom. Congratulations.

Even the north wind seems to
say send us good coal. Laster.

Methodist Church.

Sunday school 10 a. m. Preach-
ing 11 a. m. subject, "The
Christian Race. The Senior
Epworth League will have a
special program next Sunday
night at the Methodist church.
A silver offering will be taken to
pay some League Social expense.
EDGAR L. YOUNG, Pastor.

J. E. Dixon & Co. will trade
you complete irrigation plant for
land. See me at Portales Hotel.

The best, most pleasant, easiest, and
safest pill is Kings Little Liver pills.
Sold by Portales Drug Store.

WANTS

Items under this head, not over five lines,
one time, 2c; two lines, 3c; four times, 5c.

FOR SALE—A small stock of gro-
ceries. Call on K. A. Ivie, next door
to the post office.

SECOND HAND GOODS—Bought
and sold by J. D. Buely. Corner Ohio
and State streets, back of Neer's drug
store.

100 ACRES—Well improved corn,
cotton, and fruit farm; will trade for
farm or deeded land in healthy climate
Address, G. L. Valentine, Vandervoort,
Arkansas. 31-34

FOR SALE OR TRADE—One Black
Spanish Jack, 15 hands high, seven
years old, well trained. Will sell or
trade for other stock or town property.
ENOCH BOUCHER

FOR SALE OR TRADE—Four well
improved farms, southwest of town,
all close to school houses; also two west
of town; also one extra well improved
farm four miles south. Two of the
places are in shallow water district
with water right. I also have three
residence and two business houses in
Portales, besides numerous unim-
proved residence lots. Terms to suit
purchaser. See or write me if you
want something good.
W. H. SNELL,
Contractor and Builder,
P.O. box 312, Portales, New Mexico.

J. P. STONE, President
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Horses and Mules Bought, Sold and Exchanged
Best of accommodations and reasonable charges. Yard on Main
Street, first block in School Addition, Portales.

The Red Cross Drug Store



You Read About the Pen
Being mightier than the
sword, but it has to be a
good pen. Good pens are
only a small part of our
COMPLETE ASSORTMENT OF
STATIONERY
It would take a big book
to name all the articles we
carry. But it will only take
a little look to convince you
that our stationery was se-
lected by good judges. Good
judges of quality, of form,
and of values.

THE RED CROSS DRUG STORE

Fruit, Candies,
And all kinds
of Confections
ICE CREAM, COLD DRINKS
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Goods of all kinds at
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We carry a strictly first-class stock of lumber and building ma-
terial. We are here and expect, later, to make it our home and
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Our Prices are the Lowest, Grades the
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Thanking you for past patronage and soliciting a continuance
of same, we are yours for business.
Successors to Rippy & Jordan
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SCHOOL NOTES.

The High School Debating Societies have received and accepted a challenge from the Clovis High School for a joint debate at Clovis on the 15th of January.

On Friday, Dec. 17, at 2:30 p. m., there will be a joint debate between our High School Literary Societies, the object being to determine who will be our representatives in the Clovis contest.

There has been considerable excitement because of rumors of the school stopping. At present writing there seems to be little probability of such action being taken by the school authorities.

There seems to have been some misunderstanding regarding the recent school regulation about excuses. Owing to an alarming increase of tardiness and absences a rule was made requiring students to not only bring written statements from their parents showing that there had not been any irregularity in their not being present, but also an excuse giving a specific reason for the pupil being absent or tardy.

This information is indispensable if the teacher or superintendent is to come to an intelligent comprehension of each particular case. The teacher and parent must always understand each other if the best results are produced.

And although the teacher has not the right to pass absolutely upon the validity of an excuse submitted by the parent, he does have the right to know what that excuse is so that he may determine more justly the question of the pupil's promotion and demotion at the close of the term.

The course of study is based upon the supposition that the pupil will be at school if not unavoidably kept away. No one realizes better than the teacher the evils of irregular attendance and it would be difficult indeed to make the rules requiring regular attendance too severe if viewed from the standpoint of the welfare of the whole school whose interests the teacher should safeguard.

Any way if you think the rule is working an injustice in your case you should see the superintendent for he alone is responsible. The teachers are merely putting in practice a policy for which the superintendent only is responsible.

Mexican Beans Wanted. We will pay 3 1/2 cents cash for Mexican beans, f. o. b. your nearest railroad station.

CLOVIS SUPPLY COMPANY, Wholesale and Retail General Merchandise, Clovis, N. M.

Womans Club.

Womans Club held a business meeting and elected officers for the ensuing year. Mrs. Culbertson was elected president; Mrs. Hightower, first vice-president; Mrs. Lindsey, second vice-president; Mrs. Williamson, secretary; Mrs. Nixon, treasurer.

The Womans Club wishes to extend thanks to those who so kindly helped them in various ways with their reception. The Womans Club extends a vote of thanks to Reverend Dunlap for books donated by their library.

The Womans Club wishes to express its appreciation to Mrs. Stone, our retiring president, for her untiring efforts for the good of the club. Her energy, faithfulness, and ambition for our work has been a constant incentive to us, encouraging us when we were discouraged, and strengthening us when we felt weak.

MRS. G. M. WILLIAMSON, Sec. Just received a car of Nebraska shelled corn and cotton seed meal, at Portales Grain and Coal Company.

Portales Lodge Directory.

PORTALES LODGE No. 26, A. F. & A. M. Meets every Saturday night on or before the full moon of each month.

PORTALES CHAPTER O.E.S. meets second and fourth Thursday nights each month.

PORTALES CHAPTER, R. A. M. meets Saturday night after the full moon of each month.

PORTALES LODGE, No. 17, I.O.O.F. meets every Tuesday night. All visiting Odd Fellows are welcome.

PORTALES CAMP No. 13447, M. W. A. meets every Thursday night in Citizens National bank building.

HAMILTON CAMP No. 17, W.O.W. meets every Monday night in Citizens National bank building.

COTTONWOOD GROVE, No. 17, WOODMEN CIRCLE, meets first and third Saturday evenings of each month.

RELINQUISHMENTS AND DEEDED LANDS. Just in from the East and have twenty buyers in line.

J. H. Sprouls & E. A. Herndon Minco, New Mexico.

Having disposed of my business I request all those who are indebted to me to call at the old stand and settle at once.

R. A. IVIE Farm Loans. I am now prepared to negotiate loans on farm lands.

T. J. MOLINARI. Strayed, from Dunlap, New Mexico, some cattle belonging to M. E. Dunlap, described as follows: Four heifers, one steer, two cows and one Jersey cow.

Information will be properly rewarded by W. O. Dunlap at Portales, or M. S. Dunlap New Mexico. Pure East Texas Ribbon Cane syrup at Faggard & Co.

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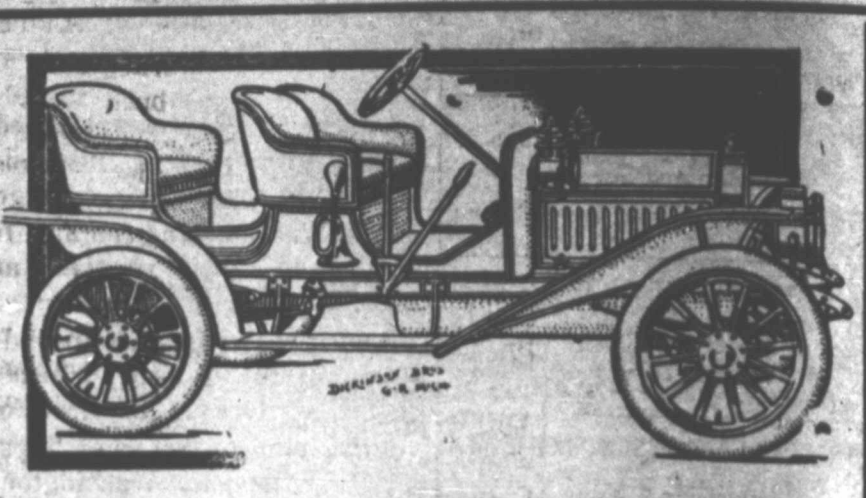
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SEE Sam D. Lowry. If you have a deeded quarter or relinquishment to sell, I have men coming from the east and north all the time. Office One Door North Portales Hotel

GOOD THINGS FOR THE TABLE. Are easy to choose here. If you are tired of the usual things to eat just come and see our large and strictly first-class line of

Staple and Fancy Groceries SMITH & RUSSELL Telephone No. 21.

ED BROWN. Successors BAIN & DUNCAN BLACKSMITH and WOODWORKER. Horeshoeing Is Our Specialty. If your horse interferences or has bad feet bring him to us. Shop opposite Child's Livery Barn, Portales, New Mexico.

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