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## PRICES OF FARM PRODUCTS MUST BE RAISED, OTHERS LOWERED SAYS WALLACE

WASHINGTON, March 14.—Prices of farm products must come up and those of other articles come down if the nation is to be brought out of the present industrial depression promptly, Secretary of Agriculture Wallace declared tonight in his first statement since taking office.

The reduction of all prices to a pre-war level was declared by Wallace to be "morally wrong and economically impossible."

"If we could restore prices," he said, "back to the pre-war levels, which we cannot, it would be equivalent to just doubling the huge war debt. We can pay off our debts much easier if we maintain a price level more nearly the level at which the debts were incurred."

"The excessively high prices which prevailed during the war cannot continue, but if we should try to bring about a level, say 70 per cent above the pre-war normal, everybody would be better off."

## MERCHANTS ASK THAT SANTA FE CHANGE POLICY

CLOVIS, N. M., March 14.—Petitions requesting that Santa Fe railroad officials reinstate discharged American employes in place of foreigners, were being circulated among the business men here today. It is alleged foreign workers were given preference in the reductions. The shop forces here have been cut 135 men and officials of the road stated that 560 are to be laid off on the division.

Rumors of possible disturbances are declared by all elements in the disputes to be groundless.

The reductions in the shop forces are expected to be only temporary and in line with the nation-wide effort of the railroad companies to reduce operating expenses.

## JAMES A. HALL RETURNS

The latter part of last week James A. Hall and family returned from Albuquerque, where Mr. Hall has been for the past



James A. Hall

year in charge of the United States Revenue office for New Mexico. The change in the national administration placed Mr. Hall as one of the undesirables with the powers that be, he being a true Democrat.

Mr. Hall is claimed as a Roosevelt county product and the county is proud of him, and the News predicts a brilliant future for him in the affairs of the state.

It is now rumored that Portales is again going to lose Mr. Hall, and that he is contemplating moving to Clovis where he will continue in the practice of law.

## BRUTAL MURDER MYSTERY REPORTED IN BELL COUNTY

BELTON, Texas, March 14.—One of the most gruesome murder mysteries in the criminal history of exas was believed discovered near Rogers, this county, when fishermen late yesterday found the decapitated and mutilated body of a young woman floating in Little River in a gunny sack, county authorities declared today.

The body was nude and the legs were also missing. Sheriff Bonds left for Rogers to investigate the discovery and an inquest will be held this morning. Justice of the Peace Gibson declared after viewing the body that it had been in the water about a week.

## HOLM O. BURSUM NOW UNITED STATES SENATOR

Holm O. Bursum has been appointed U. S. Senator to succeed Albert B. Fall, resigned.

The appointment pays a political debt owed Bursum by Mechem. It is said that Bursum elected Mechem governor of New Mexico. As to whether the public is pleased with the appointment of Bursum as senator does not worry the powers that be. In fact the public can be assured, however, in September Mr. Bursum will have to make the race on his merits, and if in the meanwhile he can show the people that he is the senator of the people he may possibly remain in Washington.

## ARM TORN OFF IN CORN SHELTER

On Thursday of last week, L. L. McReory of near Elida had his left arm torn off by a corn sheller. He was rushed to the Clovis hospital where an operation was performed, and it was thought that he was getting along nicely, when complications set in which made a second operation necessary. He died at the hospital Monday at 7 p. m. and was buried at Elida on Tuesday.

## WILLARD STORE ROBBED; THIEVES GET COLLECTION OF WEARING APPAREL

WILLARD, March 12.—The store of the Willard Mercantile company was entered by burglars Thursday evening, who made their escape with eighteen pairs of shoes, silk shirts, stockings and other articles. It is thought that a skeleton key was used in the door lock, as there was no signs of the windows having been pried open. Later in the day several packages were found by section men near the pump house and some of the goods were found to be those stolen from the store. The sheriff's office was notified at once, but up to the present time no clue to the robbers has been found.

## REPUBLICANS BREAK PRIMARY LAW PLEDGES

SANTA FE, N. M., March 16.—The fifth legislative assembly closed with one of the most important platform pledges of the Republican party unfulfilled—that for a primary law. The platform specified primaries to select county officers and delegates to state and district conventions. The governor asked for a state wide primary law.

Several primary bills, following the platform pledge and the governor's personal promise to the people, were before the legislature. Each house passed a state-wide primary bill, but the republican majorities refused to concur in either bill, although their provisions were almost identical.

## A 'Wearin' of the Green.

At this season of the youthful year a parody I'd sing,  
A most respectful parody that touches on the spring,  
For 'tis then a young man's fancy lightly turns to love and verse,  
And that's the reason of this rhyme that I would now rehearse,  
Though the sharp and surly weather has its uses as we know,  
How can one be so very gay with frost, and sleet and snow?  
So, when that season's over, just to brighten up the scene,  
Dame nature changes frocks and starts a-wearin' of the green!

And this green dress that Nature wears is not entirely plain,  
But has most charming ornaments embroidered on its train;  
The violet, the crocus, and the daffodilly-down  
Are 'mongst the things Miss Spring may choose for Mother Nature's gown.  
Each day the dress grows brighter, and becomes a richer hue,  
For blossoms fresh keep bobbing up that garment to bestrew;  
And the heart of man and woman, too, with gladness grows more keen,  
When Nature changes frocks and starts a-wearin' of the green!

Then, as Nature grows more gaudy in her verdant velvet dress  
The birds all gather round her, admiration to express,  
And the trees all murmur softly with their little leaves alive,  
And join the sweet conspiracy, dull care away to drive.  
So let us all be jolly, now the lovely days have come,  
For, all things being equal, who in spring time could be dumb?  
Our homage Nature always wins, but most when, changed the scene,  
She packs her ermine coat, and starts a-wearin' of the green!

## CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MEETS MONDAY NIGHT AT THE COURT HOUSE

The following interesting program has been prepared for the meeting of the Chamber of Commerce at the court house on Monday night, March 21. There are a number of important matters to consider. One is whether Portales should build a new school house. If you have any data on this subject, come out and let's have it. If you oppose it, come out and give your reasons. If you favor it, come and present your arguments. Come out and line up for the Trades Day excursion over the county. Every business in Portales should be interested in this. Tell what you know about the canning industry, and show what you think it would be worth to Portales.

This meeting will be a hum-dinger. Step lively, please. Following is the program for this meeting:

Good Roads.—Judge G. L. Reese, Chas. Taylor.  
Trades Excursion.—Fred Luper, Wm. Reagan.  
Canning Factory.—Mr. Munroe, J. L. May.  
How to Make Portales a Bigger, Better Town.—J. T. Wilcox, Ben Smith.  
A Just Freight Rate for Portales, How To Secure It?—J. W. Cunningham, Gov. Lindsey, C. M. Compton, Jr.  
High School Building for Portales.—W. M. Wilson, L. L. Brown.  
What the Potato Grower's Association has Done for Portales.—E. N. Wheeler, Carl Mueller.

## PULLMAN PASSENGERS PERISH IN FLAMES

WALSENBURG, Colo., March 15.—Five or more bodies burned beyond recognition, tonight remained buried in the charred debris of a sleeping coach ten miles north of Walsenburg as the result of one of the most unusual tragedies in the history of the Denver & Rio Grande railroad.

A sleeping car, the last coach on train Number 115, due in Walsenburg caught fire just before it reached Lasker, near here, while the train was running at high speed.

The night agent at Lasker noticed the flames but was powerless to extend help and the train rushed on for five miles before the flames, which then enveloped the sleeping car, were discovered by the crew and the train stopped.

O. M. Hood, of Trinidad, a postoffice inspector was the only one of the six or seven passengers to escape. He had arisen preparatory to leaving the train at Walsenburg and jumped from a window.

The body of a man was found in the door of the coach, where he had fallen unconscious almost within reach of the rescuers. The flames drove a brakeman and newsboy back as they sought to aid.

The debris was searched as soon as possible but the condition of the bodies made it impossible to tell for a certainty how many had met death. There was not a stitch of clothing, not a trinket by which the bodies could be identified. The coach and the occupants had been consumed, almost in entirety. The cause of the fire tonight is still a mystery. The theory that a gas tank ex-

## SIX DAIRY COWS PERISH IN FIRE

Wednesday morning about 2 o'clock, fire destroyed the barn and contents of A. S. Pearson, about 12 miles northwest of Portales.

Six dairy cows perished in the flames, and four other cows were removed, though badly burned. All feed was burned.

The total loss is estimated at \$1,000.00 with no insurance.

Neighbors J. A. Hatfield, J. R. Hatfield and Neil Campbell, living from one and one-half to two miles away were awakened by the flames before the immediate family were aware of the fire. M. H. Rea living five miles away was also awakened by the light of the fire.

It will be remembered that George Smith lost a fine house on this same place several years ago.

The origin of the fire cannot be accounted for.

Wednesday evening a three year old steer belonging to Mr. Pearson was pushed into the drinking tank by other stock and drowned.

## CAN'T DO WITHOUT IT

Bridgeport, Texas, March 14, 1921.  
The Portales Valley News,  
Sirs:—Am enclosing check for another year's subscription to the News. It's like failing to get the expected letter from home to miss a copy of the News.  
Respectfully,  
Bertha Swain.

## JUDGE SAM G. BRATTON FOR UNITED STATES SENATOR

In September the People Will Have a Voice--Let Them Choose Well

An Eastern New Mexico Man of the People if Chosen by the People, Will Serve the People.



Judge Sam G. Bratton

In September the people of New Mexico will have the opportunity of voting on a constitutional amendment and also in voting for a United States Senator to fill the place now occupied by Holm O. Bursum by appointment.

Will they submit to boss rule, or will they elect a man of the people whom they can depend on to represent the people.

At the present time there is not a man in New Mexico who is better qualified for this place than Judge Sam G. Bratton, who is now holding District Court in Portales. There is not a Democrat in the state who has a cleaner record and the confidence of both parties, than Judge Bratton.

Then why not the people of New Mexico call on the Judge and offer him the Senatorial toga.

In the olden days during a crisis the people chose the man. This was a wise rule. Today we need more of this choosing the man—and the News believes that Judge Bratton is the right man for this place.

## Hamon Case Will Probably Go to the Jury Today

Case of National Interest and Great Legal Battle.

ARDMORE, Okla., March 16.—The defense in the trial of Clara Smith Hamon, charged with the murder of Jake L. Hamon, sprung a surprise late today when it waived the right to argue the case and asked that it be sent immediately to the jury, and court adjourned until tomorrow morning, when a ruling on that procedure will be made.

arose and said: "The state opened argument of its case and it has closed it." The state was unprepared for the move and Prince Freeling, state attorney general in charge of the prosecution by appointment of Governor J. B. A. Robertson, was not in the court room.

The court withheld a ruling on the proposal until attorney general Freeling could reach the court room, and after he had said that he wished time to look up the law on the matter, the court ordered adjournment.

"If the court please," said Attorney General Freeling, "I do not care to argue this case myself, only a matter of duty, but I do want time to pick out the law on the subject and lay it before the court."

The sudden waiving of its right to argue would have cut all Attorney General Freeling's closing appeal for conviction, had the court permitted it. Tonight Judge Thomas W. Champion, of the Carter county District Court, said that it had been the practice to dispense with arguments when counsel so elected in minor cases.



Clara Smith Hamon

## BRECKENRIDGE OIL WELL IN FLAMES; THE DAMAGE IS ESTIMATED AT \$100,000

BRECKENRIDGE, Tex., March 14.—Ignited from a refuse fire on the banks of a creek, the No. 7 Dickie well and pipe line of the Brown Company are burning here this afternoon with a loss already estimated at more than \$100,000. The \$1,000,000 pumping plant of the Texas Company and a well of the Humble Company are threatened. Dynamite and steam is being used to combat the flames but so far without much success.

The burning well is a producer of between 1,400 and 1,500 barrels a day. This is the third disastrous fire in Breckenridge within the last month. Two other fires both of which were in the business district burning several blocks of business houses and losses totaling more than \$100,000 each.

## TO ATTEND W. O. W. CONVENTION

Monday morning State Auditor Bascom Howard and delegates Dave Colligan and Brackett Lawrence left for Mesa, Arizona, to attend the convention of the Woodmen of the World. From there Mr. Howard will make a trip to Los Angeles.

H. H. Brown, of Ardmore, special prosecutor in the case, had made a hard plea for conviction of Clara Hamon when William P. McLean, of Fort Worth, Texas,

**PLEASANT VALLEY SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY ITEMS**

A gloom has settled over our community like a pall in the last week, and our erstwhile pleasures have turned to ashes on our lips. Last Thursday afternoon, while feeding a cornsheller at Fred Baker's, Mr. McReory got his left hand caught in the machine, in some unaccountable way, which drew in his arm to near the elbow mangle the hand and arm. Mr. Lee Ward, whose machine he was feeding, had his car there and took Mr. McReory with all possible dispatch to Elida from which point Dr. Evans took them on to the Baptist hospital at Clovis. After examination it was found necessary to amputate the arm just below the elbow. We learned this afternoon (Sunday) that the patient is doing as well as could be expected. Following this shock, the community received another by the death of T. L. Deaver, Friday evening at eight o'clock, following a long illness of excruciating suffering with rheumatism. Though all have felt for a long time that Mr. Deaver's case was hopeless, and though his suffering was most pathetic, yet his death proved exceedingly depressing to the community. The entire community is in deep mourning with and for these bereaved families. In spite of the gloom, our boys and girls went down to Center Friday and played their long-planned basket ball games. The visiting teams received every possible courtesy from their hosts, which they very much appreciated and for which they were thankful; but our boys were forced to yield the honors to the Center boys by a score of 13 to 17. The Pleasant Valley girls won by a score of six to eight.

**RICHLAND NEWS**

Miss Hazel Gordon spent last Thursday night with Miss Birdie Loughridge. There will be a party at Mr. Massey's next Saturday night. Everybody come. Miss Allie Cooper, Miss Lela Gordon and Miss Thelma Bailey attended literary at Shady Grove Friday night. Prof. Butts, Ogden and Frank Cares spent last Sunday at Portales. Frank Cares left last Monday morning to go as a delegate from the W. O. W. Lodge at Richland to Mesa Arizona, to the convention being held there this week. Willis Slaten has been sick the past few days. Mr. Asa Terrill, Miss Lizzie Terrill and Mr. Perry of Clovis were guests at Mr. Cooper's last Sunday. There was a large crowd attended the literary at Shady Grove Friday night. Everyone enjoyed the program. Tommie Henderson, Grant Gordon and Miss Lela Gordon spent Sunday afternoon at Mr. Cooper's. There was a large crowd at the singing given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Stigall Sunday night. Everyone enjoyed the good singing. J. W. Stigall and family and Mrs. Lou Partin and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Partin. There will be a pie supper at Center on Friday night, March 25th. Everybody is cordially invited to come and bring pies. Last Friday evening the Pleasant Valley basket ball teams played Center teams. The scores were 13 to 17 in favor of the Center boys, and 6 to 8 in favor of the Pleasant Valley girls. One of the school trucks was tardy this morning but hope misfortune will never happen again. On Thursday and Friday of the week the 8th grade will take state examinations. All are very busy reviewing. Miss Alice Stratton spent Sunday night with Dovie and Icie Stigall.

**THE WRONG FORMULA**

"If you would have a velvet skin, And color pink and kippy," The Doctor said to Gwendolyn, "Eat carrots and be pretty." "I know I'll die," said Gwendolyn As she despised the carrot; She turned instead of pink to gold As she ate her eighteenth carrot! —Cartoons Magazine.

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**KENTUCKY VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL**

J. G. Greaves was out to the ranch over Sunday. Nerlon Miller and John Armstrong went to the breaks Sunday. The Misses Pearl and Marie Taylor went to Portales Friday. Mr. Paxton and Mr. Baird, two of our directors were down to visit Kentucky Valley Wednesday. Kentucky Valley has one more pupil, Carl Eminger, in the primary room. We now have 48 enrolled. We have started work on the play to be given by the High School the last of school. Louise Beard spent Wednesday night with Mrs. J. G. Greaves. Rev. Gilliam's daughter being very sick he could not fill his appointment but a crowd gathered at the school house and had singing. Some of the young people spent Sunday evening at the home of Miss Vera Scott. C. L. Beard and family spent Sunday at J. L. Paxton's. Misses Pearl and Marie Taylor spent Sunday night with Misses Beulah and Valora Fleming.

**FOOT BALL BANQUET**

Mr. Krattli, principal of Portales High school and athletic coach, entertained members of the football squad and faculty, last Friday evening at six o'clock with a banquet at the High school building. The domestic science class had the preparation and serving in charge and carried it out perfectly. The tables were beautifully decorated in the High school colors and spring flowers. A delicious four-course dinner was served. Bert (Balley) Boykin was elected captain for next year and responded with an appreciation of the honor conferred upon him and a toast to their popular and successful coach of the past year. This has been the most successful year in the football history of the school and prospects for next year are even brighter.

**Announcing the Films**

"Torn Asunder!" A ripping show! "The Punch-Bowl!" Brimful of mirth! "The Last Car!" Don't miss this! "The Toothache!" Will make you roar! "The Thunderbolt!" A crashing hit! "Your Neighbor's Business!" Something to think about! "The Substitute Wife!" Held over from last week! "The Riddle of the Ages" Will keep you guessing! "Her Weight in Gold!" On a huge scale! "Slavery Days!" A colored picture! "The Strangler!" Will hold you breathless! "How to Handle Snakes!" An educational film. Bring your mother-in-law! —Cartoon's Magazine.

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**NEW MEXICO WEEKLY INDUSTRIAL REVIEW**

Albuquerque—Continental Oil Co. to erect \$75,000 office building. Avalon—Two miles railroad will be built to gypsum beds. Silver City—Waterworks Company leases mine shaft for fine water supply. Jicarilla county shipped 70,000 pounds of pinon nuts during winter. New county of Catron is created from western Socorro county. Hospital maintenance for 27 months costs Luna county \$6,459.41. \$30,000 diverted from road fund to fish hatcheries. Columbus Mirror is new paper to be published at that place. Clovis erected 225 homes last year; record will be surpassed this year. Curry, Roosevelt, DeBaca and Quay counties under new judicial district. Construction to start this month on new road connecting Hope and Artesia. Roswell living costs drop 15 to 65 per cent. Value for all crops for state in 1920 was \$45,454,000, slight decrease over 1919. There are ninety-one thousand milk cows in the state at the present time. Roswell—Cattle and sheep wintering well with promise of splendid calf and lamb crop, and clip of wool and crop of alfalfa hay only a few months off. The only thing necessary to place our part of the state in good shape is a market for our products. For New Mexico there is a decrease of 7,000 in number of horses, and a decline in total values of \$2,726,000. The cattle show an increase of 28,000 for the year but a decrease in total value of \$13,349,000. Sheep show an increase of 127,000, but a decrease valuation of \$7,607,000. Luna county cotton sold, bringing 8 to 13 1/2 cents per pound. Roswell—125,000 pounds of wool sells here for 80c per lb.

**HELP KILL THE RATS**

There will be a meeting Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock for the purpose of organizing to rid the town and county of rats. All citizens of the town and adjoining districts should be present. The rats have been a serious menace to the poultry raisers for several years and by a little effort on your part they can be eradicated. Come out and do your bit.

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**BUY HATCHING EGGS WITH CARE**

To avoid disappointment, read between the lines of classified advertisements and poultry breeders cards in farm and poultry periodicals. A 297-egg strain, or Hganized hens, may or may not indicate heredity, says the poultry specialist of the Agricultural College. A hen may be several generations removed from the parents of the eggs offered for sale, and the advertiser may have started his first flock by buying from a similar advertisement. It is best to avoid buying from a flock which includes several strains. Inheritance of egg production is more sure when the breeding follows a single strain of the variety. It is also well to remember that the breeder who trap-nests his flock yearly and is continually improving his own pens can not afford to sell at the same price as those who do not trap-nest. Hens or early pullets on open range usually produce eggs with the best hatching power. The city fancier can produce eggs with healthy germs if he has vigorous breeding stock, compels his hens to exercise in deep litter for all their grain, and has not pushed them too much for egg production during the winter months.

The cooperative creamery at Albuquerque has bought a lot on which to put its new building and expects to begin actual building operations very soon.

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**RODENTS CAN BE CONTROLLED BY DISEASE**

A comparatively recently devised method of exterminating rats, mice and gophers is to give these animals a disease known as Azoo according to the biological department of the New Mexico Agricultural College. This is a contagious disease but harmless to all animals except rodents, so can be used with safety. The bacterial culture can be purchased in bottles at drug stores and is fed to the rodents by mixing it with a little corn or other suitable bait. Since the culture is tasteless and odorless it is more readily taken than are many poisons. In about fourteen days after becoming infected the rodents develop a cough and choking sensation, leave their holes and seek the open air where they usually die of asphyxiation. Full directions for applying the culture are given with each purchase. These directions should be carefully followed and if possible a few rodents should be caught

and inoculated according to directions. When the disease once gets a good start, it spreads with considerable rapidity.

If fruit trees have not already been pruned, this should be done at once. If you don't know how and there is a county agent in your county, he will be glad to help with his service and demonstrate the best methods.

See the new imported Swisses and Novelty Voiles, Printed Organadies, etc., at C. V. Harris's. It

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Our herd of registered Poland Chinas is headed by the son of "The Limit," who sold for \$40,000.00. We have gilts and young boars for sale now at \$25.00 a pair.  
Our flock of Reds was begun on stock purchased from Dr. Reid. These were improved by some birds purchased at Sterling, Illinois; still further improved by adding a cock from Penick's Famous Reds. Fully half of our breeding stock this year is of the Mahood breeding. Inspection will convince you that it is the best to be had. Eggs \$1.50 for 15, \$8.00 a hundred. Cockerels for sale at \$1.50 to \$2.50.

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**DISPOSIT GRAIN**

R. F. E. tistician of partment of Mexico, sa of each ye estimates o in the M official jou ports show farms by oats and b from ti the amount elevators; merchantal March 1. These figu nish a valu producers cating mar Corn—71 United Sta to 3,232,36 erage of show that crop, or 1.5 still on the year on the cent were there was 855,269,000 March 1. The ave United Sta will be ship grown, was 884,000 bus 87 per cent of the U. C of merch For New of 7,155,000 or 2,289,000 farms. Th 880,000 bu year and 7 15 per ce the New 1920 has be from the compared t year ago. of corn shi this state, it is seen growing in marketing is shipped t tions, where produced th half of the hands in t light deman Wheat—7 26.4 per ce of the 1 States, is n 58.4 per ce shipped fro grown. La 17.6 per ce 60.3 per cen shipped fro grown. New Me: now on fa per cent a and an ave 17 per cent Of the er was shippe where grow ducing co Curry, Mo the percent of course e Oats—7 45.2 per ce of the 1920 et ship 20 per Barley—7 34.6 per ce of barley n has been, or shipped. New Mexi of barley ar for hay, bu 30 per cent farms. Onl 600 bushels Detailed farms, amou prices of th by counties not be giv space. The office of the be glad to to farm bui ing markets the state.

**THE GUN!**  
Mr. Pulley and his hou Christmas ev into some b after the r down his lo toward the l after the d rabbit, who of the gun, which shot dog, while Mr. Pulley s hospital, and cut out of h



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**DEMOCRATIC IN POLITICS**

The article appearing on the front page of this paper in regard to Judge Bratton for United States Senator, is unsolicited by Judge Bratton and will probably be as much news to him as it is to you. It is a valuable piece of news matter and the Judge will have to pardon us for not interviewing him as to his feelings in the matter. News is news while it is news, and the News always endeavors to give the news while it is hot.

Don't forget the meeting of the Chamber of Commerce for Monday night. Come out and be a booster. Leave your hammer at home. Portales has the natural resources. Her trade territory can be extended. Let every man who has the future of the town at heart come out and take part in this meeting. The eyes of the world are turned this way. Do your part to present the advantages of the town and country to the prospective settler. Step lively, please!

The state papers have learned that the contract has been let for the construction of the highway from Texico to Portales and that the same is to be completed by June 1st. Possibly they got the information from the State Highway Engineer, as indications are that that department has just begun to notice that there was such a contract let. This item became state news in this part of the state about a year ago. But doubtless the state editors are all Englishmen and have just caught the joke.

The News is sorely disappointed in not being able to record the great prosperity caused by the change in the national administration. It is now thirteen days since the inauguration, and we are not yet able to record the grain market, as showing any material gain. Nor are the calf buyers showing their confidence in the change by offering the price of a year ago for yearlings. Now that the political change is a reality there is no excuse for paying the old prices. Be a sport, come across and back your judgment by prices offered for the farm products under the democratic administration for the past few years.

The busiest street in Portales this week is blacksmith's row. The farmers are having their work done in anticipation of an early rain, and those who are preparing the ground now need considerable smithing, owing to the dry condition of the soil. Industry in this part of the town speaks well for the development and prosperity of the county.

**FLOYD ITEMS.**

The farmers are still waiting for a rain so that they may go to work in the fields.

The son of D. H. Smith, D. H. Jr., happened to a very bad accident Saturday. While crushing grain his fingers were caught in a cog which crushed them so badly that they had to be taken off.

F. A. Anderson moved a house last Saturday to the north side of his pasture where he will make his future home.

Rev. Nix conducted services here Sunday afternoon. Rev. Nix preaches the second and fourth Sundays of each month. Sunday school every Sunday at 1 o'clock. Everybody come.

The stock are in pretty good shape this spring as almost every one had enough feed to tide them over the bad days.

The grass and heel flies have started again so the farmers are having a hard time keeping up with their cows.

A large crowd gathered at the dance at L. K. Terrill's Friday night. All report a nice time.

The days are now long enough to enable the children to do much work before and after school, which is a great help to the dairy-

**WITH THE CHURCHES**

**METHODIST CHURCH**

Sunday school at 10 a. m. Preaching 11 a. m. and 7:15 p. m. Leagues 2, 3, 6:15 p. m. The audiences Sunday and Sunday night were good.

The Sunday school attendance is averaging 241. You are welcome. Come and bring your friend.

Choir practice 7:30 Tuesday evening. Prayermeeting 7:30 Wednesday evening.

The special music is always the best.

VADA DAVIS, Pastor.

**CHRISTIAN CHURCH**

Wanted—fifty more pupils in the Sunday school next Sunday. The little people favored us with two songs last Sunday. Sunday school at 10 o'clock. Preaching next Lord's Day at 3 p. m.

**Nazarene Church**

Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sunday School at 10 a. m. Young People's Society at 6:15 p. m. Everybody invited to come and worship with us.

A. K. SCOTT, Pastor.

**APPOINTMENTS OF ROGERS CIRCUIT METHODIST CHURCH**

1st Sunday.—Floyd, 11 a. m. and 7 p. m.

2nd Sunday.—Rogers, 11 a. m. and 7 p. m.

3rd Sunday.—Redland, 11 a. m. and 7 p. m.

4th Sunday.—Inez, 11 a. m. and 7 p. m.

Please let the people take notice of the dates of these appointments and try to keep in mind their day for preaching.

A. C. SEARCY, P. C.

**CHURCH MEETINGS**

2nd Sunday at 11 a. m., Mt. Zion. Located at Plainview Cemetery.

3rd Sunday at 11 a. m., Loongs, and Saturday at 2 p. m. before.

On Saturday at 2 p. m. before each 4th Sunday will have services at Mt. Zion.

2nd Sunday, 7 p. m. Dara; 4th Sunday, 2 p. m., Oklahoma school house.

The members of the churches, the citizens and the visitors of all these communities are cordially invited to attend all the services. Yours for better churches,

JOHN W. BARNETT,  
County Pastor,  
Red Lake, N. M.

After the six months of school is out we find the Floyd school progressing as nicely as ever. Everyone shows a great interest and are trying every way possible to make the school a great success.

The patrons of the community are encouraging the boys and girls all they can by showing their interest in school and literary societies.

There was a singing at Mr. Hawkins' last Sunday night. All report a nice time.

**WOULD DENY PEOPLE VOTE FOR SENATOR**

SANTA FE, N. M., March 16.—One of the special republican bills introduced in the closing hours of the legislature was house bill No. 308, to allow the successor of Senator Fall in the United States Senate to hold office until 1925, instead of having him elected immediately.

The bill was fostered by friends of Holm O. Bursum. Realizing that he would be named and that he had been twice defeated for governor in the state, they decided to make it possible for him to hold office for four years without running the risk of defeat in a popular election.

The bill passed the house before it was discovered that the federal constitution provides for an election. As it is, Senator Bursum will be forced to go before the people soon, possibly during the special election this fall.

**MARKET REPORT**

Cream	35c
Eggs, per dozen	20c
Hens, per pound	14c
Large Fryers	10c
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**Tyrolean Easter Service**



**MUSICAL TREAT FOR PORTALES**

The Famous Columbia Ladies Symphonic Orchestra Coming Here April Second

Portales fortunate in securing this wonderful organization, largest ladies orchestra in country. Miss Genevieve Gilbert, dramatic soprano, and Dorethy Volkey, Premier Danuse, the Pavlova of the West, two big features with the company.

A rare musical treat indeed is that to be offered Portales April second, when the Columbia Ladies Orchestra will be heard under the direction of Mme. Francis Knight. This is the largest ladies orchestra touring the country and Portales will be the smallest city visited on the trip across the country. Just think, thirty people traveling in their own private car will stop here on their trans-continental tour. How it happens, on account of the juggling of dates, it left one open and the Secretary of the Commercial Club heard of this and straightaway hustled Mr. Lowe, the company manager, over to Prof. Long and it was long before a contract was signed and the opportunity snapped up. Now on account of the smallness of the theater we are to have two concerts and I would advise those wishing to get seats to make reservations at once, as there will not be standing room. The Orchestra played Salt Lake City for four performances and turned people away at every performance. Pueblo auditorium two nights and a matinee. So you see, this is an unusual treat. So secure your seat early.

**GUILLOTINE STILL IS IN USE IN GERMANY**

BERLIN, March 13.—A grim reminder of the fact that the guillotine still is used in Germany for the infliction of the death penalty is given in the sentencing of Englebert Manus to die by that instrument for the murder of Edward Golding, an American soldier. Manus killed the American in order to rob him, and was sentenced to death by the German court.

Executions once carried out in the market places before the populace, are now attended by the prosecuting attorney, the judge before whom the case has been tried, sometimes the jury and those invited by the judge.

The executioner is called the henker and is appointed by the state and paid for each head he cuts off. He wears a gown of deep red during the operation and is masked. The prisoner is gowned in black.

Women convicted of capital offense are also put to death by the ax. A young woman recently was guillotined for the murder of a female companion.

**1,499,000 ACRES IN N. M. LAND DISTRICT OPEN FOR ENTRY**

WASHINGTON, March 12.—Lands in the Santa Fe District New Mexico, totaling 1,499,000 acres were opened for entry today by the department of the interior and forty-seven applications were approved under the stockraising homestead laws. The remainder of the land is available for entry under a sixty-three day priority for former service men.

**DIPLOMATIC POSTS YET TO BE FILLED**

WASHINGTON, March 15.—The special session of the senate which convened March 4 to confirm important appointments of the new administration, adjourned sine die today without receiving from the White House any nominations for diplomatic posts or for membership in the shipping board.

Delay in shipping board selections, which generally had been expected to be ready for senate consideration today, was attributed to a technicality of the merchant marine act requiring that all seven members of the new board must be named before any of them could assume duties.

President Harding is understood to have been prepared to nominate two or three men for board membership but was not ready to send in the whole list.

Under the circumstances, the president decided not to hold the senate in session and renewed his request to Admiral Benson now acting as the board chairman under the old law, to continue in that capacity. It was indicated

that some weeks might elapse before the entire new membership could be chosen, that in the meantime the body would function under the same tenure as in the Wilson administration.

The only nomination to a high administration post sent to the senate at its closing session was that of Robert Wood Bliss of New York, to be third assistant secretary of state. Mr. Bliss has had a long experience in the diplomatic service and now is chief of the state department bureau of western European affairs. His confirmation was voted without delay.

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in this paper will bring good returns on the money invested

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If you need some in and see US

**EASTER Greetings**

Now that Easter, the happiest time of the year is coming, the 27th of this month, the nicest present you can give Mother, Wife or Sweet-heart is a nice BOX of CANDY—the best—LIGGETTS and KINGS

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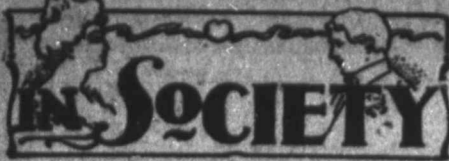
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Much cattle and rich land
A bank account of large amount
Can never win my hand.

No modern miss accepts a kiss
That is not "certified."
Dan Cupid's dart to pierce my heart
Must first be classified!

Then take this cue, if you would woo
A maid to marry her,
Though saint or rogue it is the vogue
That you should register!

Eliland Sunday School Entertained.

On March 6, the Eliland Sunday school was entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Davis, with a big turkey dinner.

Mrs. Emma Stephenson, who has been spending the winter with her daughter, Mrs. Edgar Fareman, left Saturday for her home at Goldthwaite, Texas.

LOCAL PERSONALS

Mrs. John Thornton is under the doctor's care.

C. W. Harrison of Clovis was in town on business this week.

Little Madeline Armstrong has been seriously ill but is recovering nicely.

J. G. Cox, of Emzy, was a caller at the News office Tuesday of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Snow were up from Elida Wednesday of this week.

Sheriff Peck, of Roswell, was in town this week attending the District Court.

W. W. VanWinkle and R. L. Holland of Rogers were Portales visitors Monday.

Carl Gordon of Carlsbad, prohibition enforcement officer, was in town this week.

J. J. Ellard of Plainview, Tex., was the guest of Captain Molinari Wednesday of this week.

Doc Herndon of Rogers was a pleasant caller at the News office on Tuesday of this week.

Miss Peggie Allen of Clovis spent last week the guest of the Misses Todds at Lake Side.

See the new imported Swisses and Novelty Voiles, Printed Organadies, etc., at C. V. Harris's, 1t

Scott Standish left for Clovis Sunday to erect an oil derrick about fifty miles north of that place.

Miss Irene Smith, formerly with the First National bank, is now stenographer at the Security State Bank.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Manis, of Clovis were week-end guests in the home of her people, the John Riley family.

E. F. Dezonis is up from Roswell this week. Shorty says that he will move his family back here if he can secure a house.

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FORECASTING SPRING



This lovely frock of gray crepe-de-chine may be taken as a criterion of the spring styles for afternoon wear. It fulfills all the requirements of the mode, beginning with the most important, and that is simplicity.

Bob Grissom, of Elida, received a message Wednesday calling him to Kentucky on account of the serious illness of his sister.

Expert agriculturists say that dry farming land in New Mexico will produce from twenty to fifty gallons of corn to the acre.

Miss Sue Henderson, of the local telephone exchange, left Wednesday morning for Amarillo for a few days visit with relatives.

Superintendent Palm says that he saw the river where Cornwallace was bottled up in Virginia.

Prohibition Enforcement Officer Arch Gregg is in town this week shaking hands with old neighbors.

Mr. and Mrs. Lon Mason and Mrs. Will Scott of the Ingram community were in town Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Jordan left last Friday for a tour of New York, Detroit and Washington.

Mr. Van Gleason, of the United States Biological Survey, with headquarters at Albuquerque, is in town for the purpose of organizing a campaign for the destruction of rats.

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Senator Morrison and Representative Howard arrived home from Santa Fe Monday morning, the state legislature having adjourned for this session Sunday morning.

CAPITAL GARAGE AND SERVICE STATION SELLS

Captain T. J. Molinari has sold the Capital Garage and Service Station building, stock and equipment to H. H. Buchanan.

The Captain says that he and Mrs. Molinari will take a few weeks vacation before he decides his future course.

SPRING TIME FROLICS

Music program given by Mrs. L. J. Whiteman's music class March 21, at Cosy, promises to be the best she has ever given here.

THE BALL GAME

Last Sunday the Portales base ball team crossed bats with the Elida team, with the results of 4 to 3 in favor of Portales.

The Portales team is composed of material which has the making of the best team in the state, excepting none.

In the game last Sunday, the Elida team showed some strong players, and in fact had the game won, when by an error it was turned to Portales.

Roosevelt county is going to win a reputation in the baseball world the coming season.

DISTRICT COURT

District Court is in session this week, but as we go to press the second jury case is still on trial.

As the district court is set for Monday at Clovis a recess of jury cases was taken till Monday, April 4th, when the criminal docket will come up.

In one case where the grand jury billed a lad for passing worthless checks, Judge Bratton showed his worth as a citizen and as a judge.

Judge Bratton says that in the five cases where he has followed this procedure that in only one case has the party interested betrayed his confidence.

There are several non-jury cases which will be decided this week.

Work Stock For Sale

One team sorrel Horses, 7 and 8 years old, weight about 1400 pounds.

One team mares 6 years old, weight about 1300 lbs.

One team mares, 8 and 9 years old, weight about 1400 pounds.

One team 3 year old fillies weight about 1200 pounds.

One 3/4 wagon, 1 riding sulky plow and 1 hay baler.

See at Wm. Battenfield's place 4 1/2 miles southeast of town, or Paul Jones at First National Bank.

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MOUNTED POLICE ARE PERMANENTLY FIRED

SANTA FE, N. M., March 16.—That the mounted police system of the state has been permanently junked was shown when the senate finally turned down the house of representatives' proposal for the creation of a force of state marshals.

When the bill was before the house, the democrats opposed it bitterly and were able to defeat it once aided by independent republicans. Later the party whip was applied and the republican majority succeeded in passing the bill.

USELESS OFFICE EASILY CREATED

SANTA FE, N. M., March 16.—The republican party showed how much respect it had for its party pledge to abolish useless offices by creating the office of state archeologist.

There are no duties to be performed and for the present no appropriation is provided. That is to be taken care of by the next legislature.

BACK FROM VIRGINIA

County Superintendent Palm returned Wednesday morning from a two weeks trip to Virginia. While there Mr. Palm traded some Roosevelt county land for a Virginia farm.

Portales Man Invades New York City and San Francisco

To secure the best Musical Talent of THE WORLD :: :: :: ::

"The Ladies Symphony Orchestra"

Will be at—

COSY, APRIL 2nd 30--PEOPLE--30

Reserve your seats early at PORTALES DRUG STORE :: :: :: ::

in Portales to build prairie schools. After visiting the green fields of Virginia, Mr. Palm says that New Mexico still looks good to him, and that his trip back would be instrumental in bringing another family to Roosevelt county.

"Spring Time Frolics"

Music Program Given Monday, March 21, At the Cosy Theater, at 7:30 p. m., by Mrs. L. J. Whiteman's Music Class

There are about 35 children in this program, which consists of Motion Songs, Drills, and Character Sketches, all done in costume.

Also a NEGRO COMEDIAN sketch given by Mr. Rupert Graham, of Detroit, Michigan.

All of the proceeds to go to the Benefit of THE ORPHAN'S HOME

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Easter Millinery

I now have on display my new Spring Stock of Ladies and Children's Hats. Come in and make your selection for Easter Wear while the stock is unbroken.

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BILLS OF SALE,  
LAND LEASES,  
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If we do not have what you want, can print them on short notice.

## Ladies' Visiting Cards

We have a few nice, Vellum Finished Cards, which we are offering for a short time at 50 for

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See our line of Commencement Cards, Programs, Wedding Invitations, Birth Cards, Etc.

## Help Us Boost!

If you appreciate the endeavor we are making to give our subscribers the worth of their money in a good county paper, pass the word along and encourage your neighbor and friends to lend us their assistance by adding their name to our subscription list. We will appreciate it, and so will they after receiving the first copy of the paper.

If anything of importance and interest occurs in your community, just drop us a line in regard to it, as we want all the news of interest in the county.

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## Sale Bills

Our Specialty is Sale Bills. When you contemplate putting on a sale, you should advertise it freely and in plenty of time, so as to cover the country with Sale Bills. We print them in any size and quantity, and on quick notice. Get our prices on them.

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Portales, New Mexico

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**FORMER "NESTOR" HEARD FROM**

San Francisco, Calif.,  
March 11th, 1921.  
The Portales Valley News,  
Portales, New Mexico.  
Dear Sirs:—It seems my subscription to your paper is "paid life" subscription, for I mailed a check for \$1.50 and asked that the paper be discontinued at the end of the time paid for, but it still finds its way to our home.

It has improved since the present owners have assumed editorship; and when one comes home tired out from the maddening crowds that throng the big stores of the city, I assure you that your little paper is a keen delight, for it holds open for a short time the curtains of the past few years and we look backward with fond remembrance on the time we sojourned in that new country—when we helped "locate" the new settlers. It seemed everyone's heart was light and to all the future was without a doubt bright, and there are none who would deny that the grass was the greenest and the sky the bluest of all good lands.

Those we knew have long since forgotten that we were or still are. But that matters not, for it was in New Mexico a part of our young lives were spent and happy memories cluster around every thought of our pioneering.

And now a new era seems dawning. There was talk of oil, what of it? Possibly it was all talk. But who can tell? Maybe under the claim on which we lived, for which we finally, after 8 months of "farming", give the government \$200.00 for the deed to said 160 acres, maybe under this sod there is a gusher of oil just waiting to be "gushed."

Would you have the Portales Chamber of Commerce send me literature pertaining to new crops and other development in Roosevelt county. Also the New Mexico Cattle and Realty Co., send me one of their booklets. I may want to be a new-comer to that part of the country again, you never can tell.

Thanking you for having read this retrospective letter to a close and I know you have or you would not now be reading my signature.

B. FEAGAN,  
85 Bruce Ave.

**GARAGE AND BLACKSMITH SHOP FOR FLOYD**

Tuesday of this week, G. L. Hatcher of Floyd was in town and had a number of announcements printed for the Floyd garage and blacksmith shop. Mr. Hatcher says that they now have a first-class shop in the hands of a first class mechanic of years experience. They carry a full line of Genuine Ford parts and are prepared to make repairs of any make of cars. He says that all of their work is guaranteed. This is quite a boost for the Floyd community.

**COW HANDS AND GRASS LAND WANTED**

Tom Byrd of the Portales Hotel is looking for a crew of first-class cow punchers and is endeavoring to locate a pasture of several sections, as he is again in the cow business. Wednesday morning his milk cow presented him with a new calf, and he wants a competent crew and plenty of grass for the same.

**STOCKMEN NOTICE**

The News has a full line of stock cuts for your stock bills. Now is the time for the stockmen to make their announcements. Come in and let us figure with you.

**THRIFT TALK FAILS TO BRING RESULTS**

SANTA FE, N. M., March 16.—Although the republicans talked thrift in state expenditures and a reduction of taxes during the last campaign, they drew and carried into law an appropriation bill which not only failed to be economical, but which is the greatest appropriation a legislature has ever made. For the coming fiscal years and deficiencies for the past, the total is over \$2,800,000, more than a quarter of a million of dollars more than that the appropriation bill of two years ago carried.

With the slump of values of livestock and mining properties, the tax rate for state purposes will need to be curtailed substantially. The republicans sought to cover their tracks by passing a tax limitation bill which is designed to reduce expenses in county and city so that the state lavishment will not be noticed.

**BUSINESS PERSONALS**

New galvanized wash boilers \$1.75. Large size \$2.00. George & Mania. 10-1f

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Give us your laundry. Take it up Monday and deliver Saturday. Call phone 77. J. E. MEREDITH. 18-13tp

**CONTROL OF GREEN BUGS**

Reports coming in to the New Mexico Agricultural College indicate that green bugs are being observed in the wheat fields in some sections of the eastern part of the state. If the infestation is only light and in patches, the bug can be controlled by plowing under the land infested, or covering with straw and burning, or by spraying with a 15 per cent kerosene emulsion. If the field is infested generally, and is likely to result in an unprofitable crop, it is best to plow under the entire crop and plant to corn or sorghum, preferably the latter as it is less susceptible to green bug attacks.

As with many insect pests, rotation crops and the keeping field clean of weeds are effective preventive measures. Volunteer grain or wild oats should not be allowed to spread, as these furnish excellent feeding ground to carry the pests from one year to the next.

The bankers of Lincoln county are helping to finance potato growers who need spray tanks and spray materials. The potato crop is becoming one of the main crops in the county and this assistance will help it to develop. The cabbage and cauliflower industry is also developing and promises to become one of the main sources of revenue within another year.

**NO EXCUSE GIVEN**

Joe Cooper is up from Kenna this week serving on the petit jury. Joe says that he should really have been excused, but when the judge was qualifying the jurors that he looked around and saw his banker in the back of the house and was afraid to mention his poor cows as an excuse, and as a consequence has sit around town and try for the "pup" for several days.

Dug Hammond of Clovis, an old timer in the Portales district, was in town Wednesday renewing old acquaintances.

*Adventures with the Iron Horse and the Gleaming Rails! An Epic of Railroad and the Romance of Big Business!*

**The Wreckers**

By FRANCIS LYNDE

The author was a railroad man for many years—he writes from the inside. Reading this captivating story you will feel all the thrills of a personal participant in its episodes—smashing adventures, gun fights, train wrecks, battles of wits between industrial giants—and an enticing romance involving a big-brained, big-souled, far-seeing executive (who believed in taking public and employes into partnership with his railroad) and an unusual woman who possessed keenness, intuition, strategy and the female qualities necessary to make her a perfect complement to the man.

*"The Wreckers" Will Appear as a Serial in these Columns*

**Do Not Miss It!**

**Francis Lynde**



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### MARKETS

#### Amarillo Grain Market

No. 1 milling wheat was quoted by local dealers in Amarillo Wednesday at \$1.50 and No. 1 export wheat at \$1.45.

#### Cattle Lower

KANSAS CITY, March 16.—Cattle opened slow and prices on all fat steers were again lower.

#### Fort Worth Livestock

Cattle—Beeves \$6.00 @ 9.50; stockers \$6.00 @ 7.25; cows \$3.25 @ 6.50; heifers \$5.00 @ 8.00; bulls \$3.25 @ 4.75; calves \$2.00 @ 10.00.

#### Hogs Suffer Drop

FORT WORTH, March 16.—The hog market broke here today for a loss of 75c, one of the biggest declines in several months.

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## ROBBERS LOOT LORDSBURG STORE AND CARRY OUT SAFE CONTAINING \$800

Lordsburg, N. M., March 12.—The Union Clothing store was entered by burglars early this week, who gained entrance to the building by breaking in the rear door.

## TEXAS GETS READY TO WAGE WAR ON RATS

WASHINGTON, March 15.—The Bureau of the Biological Survey has announced that plans are rapidly being completed for the state-wide rat eradication campaign, which will be launched against rats in Texas.

Municipal and county authorities will co-operate. County agricultural demonstrators will have a prominent part.

## DR. DAVID R. BOYD ON NORMAL BOARD

SANTA FE, N. M., March 11.—The senate today confirmed the following executive appointments: Board of Regents of New Mexico Normal University, Las Vegas:

- Dr. David Ross Boyd, Albuquerque.
William E. Gortner, Las Vegas.
G. M. Brinton, Carlsbad.
Jose D. Sena, Santa Fe.
Regents of the Deaf and Dumb School, Santa Fe:
Mrs. R. R. Larkin, Las Vegas.
Mrs. Paul A. F. Walter, Santa Fe.
Guy P. Harrington, Santa Fe.
C. L. Mondragon, Sandoval county.
C. O. Morrison, Santa Fe.

## SEVERAL NOMINATIONS CONFIRMED BY SENATE

WASHINGTON, March 12.—Among yesterday's nominations confirmed today by the senate were those of Charles C. Chase of New Mexico, to be collector of customs; Edward R. Stitt, to be surgeon general of the navy; and Brigadier General Smedley D. Butler, Logan Feland and Harry Lee, confirmed in that rank in the marine corps.

The senate also confirmed the nominations of Carl A. Mapes, to be solicitor of internal revenue, and Lars Blading of Cedar Falls, Ia., collector of internal revenue.

## MORE TRADE EXCURSIONS

At a recent meeting of the Chamber of Commerce, Portales determined to run a trades' excursion. Plainview has already made definite plans for her first trades excursion this year.

The News is \$1.50 a year.

## RAILROADS HAVE DECIDED TO REJECT ALL PROPOSALS WAGE REDUCTIONS

NEW YORK, March 15.—Railroads in the east have decided to reject all proposals of wage reductions and carry their fight to the railroad labor board, if wages are cut.

## ALL-SOUTHWESTERN TRACK AND FIELD MEET TO BE HELD IN ROSWELL MAY 7TH

ROSWELL, May 12.—The announcement has been made by the athletic board of the New Mexico Military Institute, that the all-southwestern track and field meet will be held in this city May 7. Teams from the university at Albuquerque, University of Arizona, State College, Texas School of Mines, Wayland College, West Texas Normal and several other schools will compete in the contests.

MICKIE SAYS

TH' BOSS SAYS IT USNA BE TH' FASHION T' RUN 'READ TH' ADS.' LINES IN TH' PAPER—BUT HE RECKONS IF TH' ADS SHY ANY MORE INTERESTING, HE'LL HASTA START ASKIN' FOLKS T' READ TH' NEWS!



Representatives of the workers have decided that the present wage standard must be maintained and economic conditions will not permit any reduction.

There is little danger of any cessation of work should the railroads cut wages, union officials said, as the employees will appeal to the railroad labor board and abide by its decision.

Representatives of unskilled workers today notified the management of the New York Central railroad that they flatly refuse to consider proposed reductions of from 17 1/2 to 21 per cent.

Representatives of the skilled workers of the New York Central with the exception of those in the "big four" brotherhoods, it was learned, also have decided to reject proposed cuts.

## GRAND JURY ADJOURNS

The Grand Jury finished up their work and adjourned Tuesday evening at 7 o'clock.

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