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Territorial Government is the Nursery of Citizenship and New Mexico Reached Years of Discretion Long Ago.

A GARDEN OF EDEN.

The Pecos Valley as It Appeared to an Albuquerque Newspaper Man.

Mr. William F. Brogan, managing editor of the Albuquerque Evening Citizen, visited the Pecos Valley as one of Governor Curry's party two weeks ago, and when he gets home has something to say of the valley. The following paragraphs are excerpts from an article in the editorial columns of the Citizen:

The Pecos Valley is a garden spot on earth. It is a second Eden in New Mexico and we who live in this section of the territory, cannot comprehend the wonderful changes that have taken place—making wealth and prosperity out of the cattle ranges of long ago.

Beautiful homes, fertile farms spouting artesian wells, trees, grass and produce of all kinds abound in the Pecos Valley. Her citizens are wide awake Americans, who are putting every acre under the plow, inducing their fellow men from the four quarters of the globe to settle upon the still remaining acres and in every way advancing the most wonderful spot on the globe.

The cliff dwellings, the ancient churches, the historic settlements, the hundreds of monuments that mark history in our section of the territory,

sink into semi-insignificance as compared with the greatest wonder of modern times—the artesian belt of the southwest.

We, of Albuquerque, who have not seen the development of the Pecos Valley can not comprehend what it has meant to the people of that section. It has driven the cattleman—he of the long horned range stock—into obscurity. He has now become a wealthy owner of thoroughbreds and of acres and acres of the richest farming lands in America.

The ranches of that section more closely resemble the great estates of the older countries, with their handsome homes, well kept orchards, highly cultivated fields of alfalfa, grains, vegetables, etc.

The new towns are well laid out, wide streets, brick buildings and comfortable, well kept residences.

The people are not those of the frontier. They are progressive business men every one of them, fully alive to their possibilities and working in unison to further develop and enrich a country blessed by providence far in excess of any other portion of the great southwest.

And the roads. For mile upon mile, automobiles travel over country roads such as would cause a blush of shame upon the face of any Albuquerquean when compared with our best cared for streets. The farmers, the ranchers, the bankers, the merchants—all

A New Year's Suggestion.

LET us learn to be content with what we have. Let us get rid of our false estimates, set up all the higher ideals—a quiet home; vines of our own planting; a few books full of the inspiration of a genius; a few friends worthy of being loved and able to love us in turn; a hundred innocent pleasures that bring no pain or remorse; a devotion to the right that will never swerve; a simple religion empty of all bigotry, full of trust and hope and love; and to such a philosophy this world will give up all the empty joy it has.—David Swing.

unite on one platform—good roads. They work the roads summer, winter, fall and spring. They keep them as level and as well drained as the streets of a city.

The artesian wells are capped in order that they may not overflow, and no more pleasant day can be spent than in driving about the country roads of the Pecos Valley.

The Pecos Valley has already become a leader in agriculture in the southwest, but a few more years will see it crowded to its limits with people, its every acre of land under irrigation and more natural wealth than any section of this great domain.

The people of Albuquerque have done much. They have builded a city that is not excelled anywhere in the southwest and never will be.

At the same time, it is absolutely necessary that we do not stop. We must advance with the other portions of New Mexico and the Pecos Valley is well in the lead.

Trade excursions should visit that section. Our people should know intimately the people of that valley, and we should profit by the things that they have done that we may enter upon another era of growth which will keep us well abreast of our southern neighbors.

We, of Bernalillo county, must work our roads—we must be able to drive for miles and miles up and down our fertile Rio Grande Valley, and we must have well kept lands and streets and homes to show our visitors as is the case in even the newest towns of the Pecos Valley.

Speaking of New Year's resolutions, why wouldn't it be a happy idea for the town trustees to decide to push the park proposition during 1908 as never before? Nothing could be more profitable to the town than a new determination along this line, backed up by some timely and intelligent work. If we mistake not, Ar-

tesia has a Park Commission whose business it is to initiate and carry out necessary plans for providing the city with parks and trees and such. The gentlemen are doubtless proud of their position and will be glad to see the city beautified whenever the trustees provide the wherewithal and give the license to proceed. Just because a few ambitious townsites promoters played the "Injun giver" and took back that precious spot of ground known as "Park Decoy," there is no reason why Artesia should give up in despair and do without a place of recreation for all time to come. If the original donors of the town park really needed the money and wanted to back up on their original offer, that is a matter to be regretted and is not the fault of the people of the town who took them at their word and prepared to improve the same. There are several good park sites about town and the town trustees will confer a lasting favor upon present and coming generations by selecting one. The Clayton spring property north of Main street is a desirable spot and then there is the lot surrounding the original town well. The city has control of this and it can be made a beauty spot right in the center of town and a convenient recreation ground. Why not start 1908 right by planting trees and grass on this ground? The maintenance will cost but little and the gain will be great.

Mr. Frank Rudolph, of Brama, Okla., was a visitor to Artesia last week. He is interested in a reservoir being put in west of Artesia and is an old friend of Grant Sooter.

THE SALARIES ARE TOO HIGH

Judge U. S. Bateman, the Well Known Leader of Chaves County Says the Reform is Necessary.

In an open letter to the Roswell Daily Record, Judge U. S. Bateman, perhaps the strongest figure in Chaves county politics, makes some timely suggestions for the guidance of the Democracy this year. Like every other man in the valley who has looked into the matter from a patriotic standpoint—and not through a desire for pie—Judge Bateman comes out squarely for a reduction of salaries for county officers, along the line proposed by the Advocate from time to time.

He says: "I suggest, FIRST, that the Democratic party adopt in its next county convention a plank to the effect that no one shall be eligible to an office for more than two terms in succession; SECOND, that it take into consideration whether or not the present salaries of the county officials are too high, and fix the amount of reduction, if any should be had, and require a pledge from all candidates aspiring to offices that they will refund to the county all fees and salaries above the amount fixed by the Democracy; THIRD, that the public moneys of whatever kind be deposited with banks that will pay interest, and that the interest become a part of the public fund; FOURTH, that the city do not grant any franchise without reserving the right to control the same when the parties enjoying such franchise seek to oppress the people, or demand and receive excessive compensation for their services."

Lecture by the "Tenderfoot."



Will Robinson, the Pecos Valley's own orator who will talk at the Presbyterian church, January 24th.

Report of the Condition of THE BANK OF ARTESIA, At the close of business on December 31, 1907.

RESOURCES.

Loans on real estate	\$12,445.85	
Loans on Collateral Security other than real estate	11,122.29	
Loans, all others	77,403.35	
		\$101,971.49
Due from other banks and bankers	\$66,803.47	
Cash on hand	12,283.14	
Total Cash and Sight Exchange		79,086.61
Overdrafts		256.90
Real estate furniture and fixtures		8,281.74
		\$188,596.74
LIABILITIES.		
Capital Stock	\$ 30,000.00	
Surplus	3,000.00	
Undivided profits	2,042.33	
Deposits		153,468.41
Cashier Checks outstanding		86.00
		\$188,596.74

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County of Eddy, }

I, John B. Enfield, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief,

JOHN B. ENFIELD, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2nd day of January 1908.

[SEAL] J. E. Swepston, Notary Public.

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GAYLE TALBOT, EDITOR

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Have you broken your New Year's resolution yet?

Raleigh, N. C., abolished the dispensaries and voted out saloons last week.

The state of Georgia abolished saloons the same day that New Mexico abolished gambling.

Resolve to be a booster this year. The sins you have committed in the past will be forgiven if you make a full hand during 1908.

"Lest we forget," the treasure of the United States gets \$5,000 per year, and the treasure of Chaves county \$7,000 per year.—Hagerman Messenger.

As will be seen in another column, Judge U. S. Bateman, the political war-horse of Roswell comes out positively for the fees and salary system of paying county officers and says candidates should announce their willingness to serve for whatever compensation may be prescribed by the Democracy. This way, the office will become a public trust instead of a private snap.

The editor of the Advocate interviewed a large number of citizens of Hope, Monday, and without exception, they were all very positive that the plan of putting county officers on a straight salary will prove a winner—in fact, say they will not support a man for office who will not pledge himself to abide by the decision of the county democracy in the matter of salary. The exorbitant tax rate put on their property last year, made believers of the farmers of Hope.

J. D. Hand, of Las Alamos, has offered a pair of fine mules as premium for the best collection of small grain for exhibition at the irrigation congress at Albuquerque next year. There have been a number of handsome premiums offered for exhibits of products of the territory and farmers and fruit growers will doubtless enter into the competition in earnest. The prizes are worth working for and the result will doubtless be the finest exhibit of fruits, vegetables and grain ever seen in New Mexico.

Here is what one man did on a small patch of Salt River valley land, and it would be hard to equal it in any other country. James Davis, who lives near Mesa City, has a small holding of which six acres were planted the present year to onions, cabbage and tomatoes. The gross returns were \$500 per acre. The water and expense for cultivation amounted to \$200 per acre, a net profit of \$300 per acre, or \$1,800 from six acres. That is pretty good revenue for a small farm so small one can almost carry it around with him.—Lordsburg Liberal.

The system of high licences of saloons and the consequent abolishment of the more reputable dives was inaugurated by the Democrats of the Pecos Valley. The Republican territorial officers have been silent on the subject all the years of their occupancy. The first people to abolish gambling in New Mexico were the Democrats of the Pecos Valley. The Republican majority of the Territory, followed along after they saw the people demanded it. The first people in New Mexico to cry for a sensible and economical system of paying county officers are the Democrats of the Pecos Valley. They will demonstrate that the system is a success and before long we will see the Republican assembly change the law relating to same. It is pretty safe to say that if the Democrats of Southeastern New Mexico were given the chance, they would make this great domain a very desirable place to live in indeed.

The board of county commissioners is paying Attorney Fullen a monthly salary for "advice." Apparently, there is no evidence that such service is guaranteed to be backed by law. The gentleman was paid to advise the court regarding the recent bridge bonds and when they were found to be irregular, we hear no talk of refunding to the county any money to cover the great expense our taxpayers were put to in the matter. The attorney acknowledges his error and is sorry, but his sympathy does not go far enough to prompt him to offer to refund the amount his mistake cost the county. The Carlsbad Current intimates that there is an abundance of qualified legal talent to be had at the same price paid the present attorney of the court.

Realizing that a nominee for county commissioner will be named by the Democratic primary next spring, a number of Democrats have called the attention of the Advocate to the fact that Mr. S. W. Gilbert would make a fine man in the place. Without looking further, the Advocate confesses that a better selection could not be made in the county. Mr. Gilbert is a man in every way capable of filling the office satisfactorily. He is a man of education, a heavy taxpayer and a fair-minded Christian gentleman. Just what Mr. Gilbert would think of such an arrangement, we are unable to say, as he has been out of town most all the week.

Members of the anti-saloon league held a meeting at Albuquerque this week and discussed the matter of putting a prohibition plank in the constitution for the proposed new state of New Mexico and Arizona. Rev. H. F. Vermillion, the well known Roswell minister, was a delegate.

The well drill men of Artesia are out in an address to the real estate men this week with a circular letter in which they serve notice that no one is authorized to quote prices on drilling at a less figure than the one agreed upon by the several drillers. There will be no cutting of prices.

The Democracy of the Pecos Valley feels abundantly able to take care of local political conditions, although laboring sorely under the burdens prescribed by Republican lawmakers. Excessive taxation for county and territorial purposes has been laid upon us by the Republicans in power and not once has the suggestion been made that the burdens be lightened. By Republican-made laws, officeholders in the Pecos Valley become brigands who take from the people exorbitant wages for their hire, and in order to remedy the evil the Democrats will have to ignore the law and return to the people the difference between legitimate wages and that which becomes purely spoil. The Republicans would not lessen the people's burdens if it were possible, for today when the taxpayer is crying for relief and a reduction of officers' salaries, we see certain ones of the G. O. P. crying out against it and intimating that only through that party can relief come. Nobody will be deceived by the claim to virtue at this late day. The place to formulate a permanent remedy is in the Republican legislature, but no intimation has ever come that we can expect relief from that source. Clearly, the work of reform is up to the Democrats and, thank the Lord, they are equal to the occasion.

In an open letter to Mr. E. A. Clayton, of this city, W. M. Atkinson, of Roswell, urges that Artesia and all the other towns of the valley unite with the committee appointed by Governor Curry and do everything possible toward making the Pecos Valley exhibit at the Irrigation Congress a success. Mr. Clayton will probably lay the communication before the Commercial Club and have the entire community take united action. Carlsbad has announced the intention of building a cotton palace at Albuquerque to show one of the great products of the lower valley and Artesia should arrange a display that will bring out in relief the peculiar advantages of this section. Mr. Clayton, the recipient of Mr. Atkinson's letter, may be depended upon to do everything he can toward the success of the effort, as he has always done for everything pertaining to the welfare of the town.

Judge Bateman's suggestion that county money be held by banks that will pay interest on same is a timely one. This may have been done in Eddy county all along, but the minutes of the commissioners court, so far as we are informed, has no record of where the interest allowed was turned over to the county. If any there was, who got it?

The Albuquerque wholesale dealers expect to make a visit to the Pecos Valley in the near future for the purpose of getting acquainted with the people and thereby gaining business for the Territory's metropolis. The people of this section of New Mexico are nothing if not hospitable and will see that the visitors have the time of their lives.

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TO THE PEOPLE OF ARTESIA.

And other readers of this paper: The firm of Clayton, Talbot & Terrill have dissolved partnership, E. A. Clayton remaining alone in the real estate business and may be found at the office of the former firm where he is ready to meet prospective purchasers in all kinds of land in tracts from five acres up to as large a body as anyone will desire. I have also desirable town lots and property to suit all purchasers.

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CAST OF CHARACTERS:

Aunt Beckey.....	Miss Nan Ross
Jenkins (the butler).....	Prof. Botts
Phillip Hudson.....	Hy Nimitz
Katherine.....	Miss McIlhany
Marion Bryant.....	Miss Childress
Robert Brown.....	D. L. Looney
Patty.....	Mrs. Skaer

Proceeds of entertainment to go to ARTESIA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION. Everybody urged to attend and see a first class comedy.

Admission 25 and 35 cents. Reserved seats 10 cents extra, on sale at Pecos Valley Drug Co.

CRAND LEAP YEAR FROLIC

Ladies of Artesia to Entertain Their
Beaux With Swell Affair at
Commercial Club Rooms.

When it comes to taking advantage of opportunities, it has never been said that the ladies of Artesia are one whit behind the men folks—who have long since established the reputation of being about the liveliest bunch that ever were gathered together in one place at the same time. The accusation that these affinities are really the power behind the machinery of Artesia is not far-fetched, if the truth was known. When they decide to do a thing they do not sit around and debate the project for a year or two, but get busy instanter. Apparently, the ladies were already prepared for the game when Leap Year came to knock down the bars of conventionalities and have arranged for the first public function of the season. Invitations reading as below were sent out this week:

THE LADIES OF THE
ARTESIA COMMERCIAL CLUB
REQUEST THE PRESENCE OF YOUR-
SELF AND GENTLEMAN
AT THE
LEAP YEAR ENTERTAINMENT
TO BE HELD IN
CLUB ROOMS, WEDNESDAY EVEN-
ING, JANUARY 8, 1908, AT
8 O'CLOCK.
GAMES AND DANCING.

It is said that each lady has already picked out the escort of her choice and has arranged with the city marshal to see that none of them get out of town before the appointed hour—even if they were so inclined, which is extremely doubtful. A feast of the best in the land is being prepared and the event promises to mark an era in the social life of the Best Town.

There is a law in Artesia against the hitching of horses to shade trees, but some thoughtless people continue to do so nevertheless, and the result is that some splendid trees have been ruined lately. There is no possible excuse for such thoughtlessness. Shade trees are treasures in the west and we daresay that very few property owners in Artesia would dispose of their trees at any price. By hitching your horse to a neighbor's trees, you work a positive damage—just as much so as if you had taken a hatchet and chopped the bark off, for that is what the average horse will do if given a chance. One gentleman tells the Advocate this week that he had a tree ruined within a few minutes that he had expended care and labor on for three years. If you haven't any love for the better things of nature yourself, at least respect the property of your neighbor and do not pasture your horse on his trees.

Notice For Publication.

Department of the Interior, Land Office at Roswell, N. M., December 10, 1907.

Notice is hereby given that John M. Howard of Artesia, New Mexico, has filed notice of his intention to make final five year proof in support of his claim, viz: Homestead Entry No. 3187 made Nov. 13, 1902, for the W $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, and E $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, of Section 29, Township 16 South, Range 26 East, and that said proof will be made before Albert Blake, U. S. Court Commissioner, at his office in Artesia, N. M., on January 20, 1908. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, the land, viz: Henry C. Owens, Ethelbert A. Clayton, A. Green Caraway, Lewis C. Robertson, all of Artesia, N. M.

HOWARD LELAND,
Register.

Abstracts—Opposite Bank of Artesia.

WILL ASK FOR RECEIVER.

Owners of Water Rights to Petition
Judge Pope for Relief.

Pursuant to a call placed in last week's Advocate, a number of the owners of what is known locally as "permanent water rights," issued several years ago by the Artesia Power and Light Company, met at the Commercial Club room Thursday evening to make another effort looking toward the straightening out what has become a bad tangle of affairs. Times too numerous to mention, these people have met and tried to reach an agreement as to what could be done toward making the waterworks company protect its guarantee of water "so long as the well shall flow" according to warranty contained in original deeds. The Town of Artesia has vainly beseeched the holders of the water rights to turn their holdings over to municipality, so as to put the entire town under one complete system—agreeing to pay for the same in water at the regular monthly rental. A large majority of the right owners have been willing to this agreement for the sake of public good, but there has always appeared a small number who could not see their way clear to do so and these few blocked the plan. Their refusal to do so has been prompted by the belief that it was possible by law or otherwise to compel the stockholders of the old company to make good their original guarantee. Of late, it has become patent to all that this is out of the question. Those gentlemen are not seeking reputation as philanthropists so early in life. This fact was brought out recently most forcibly.

The original town well, bored four years ago, and from which these holders of rights were to be supplied, sprung a leak around the casing and the well inspector sought to have the defect repaired, as the law was being violated. His efforts disclosed the fact that the well is an orphan which no one will claim. The officers of the company brought in evidence to show that they had sold out their stock and were no longer interested in the matter. Diligent search by the well inspector and district attorney since has failed to disclose the rightful ownership or anyone who may be liable for the contracts of the company. Thus the water right owners have become acquainted with the fact that they have nothing to warrant their deeds but the straw bond of a company that is defunct. At the same time the well must be repaired, as directed by law, or be condemned as a nuisance. There being nothing left to do but protect their interest by some united action, the holders called the meeting for Thursday night.

Mayor Crandall was made chairman and A. C. Keinath secretary. After a discussion lasting two and a half hours, the interested parties present decided that they undoubtedly owned an equity in the assets of the company if a way could

be devised whereby that interest could be identified. There being no way of adjudication available to which all parties could agree, it was decided to have the matter passed up to the district court and settled once for all. The interest of every individual being in jeopardy, it was deemed advisable that an immediate move in that direction be made. Accordingly, Mr. Albert Blake was appointed a committee of one to confer with an attorney and frame a petition to Judge Pope setting forth the various complaints of the men who had paid their good money for permanent water rights and why they deemed it necessary to have a receiver appointed to take charge of the plant and system from which water had been purchased and make such disposition of such property as will appear to the court to best subserve the interests of those holding obligations against the defunct company.

The impression was given the meeting that the old company will be only too glad to dispose of the matter in this way—or any other old way, as the company has made an offer to sell the entire stock of 100,000 shares for the sum of one dollar, provided the purchaser will assume all obligations. Of course, no one cares to purchase trouble even at bargain-sale prices and there were no bidders. Every one familiar with the case knows that the old company has long since sold its holdings to the two hundred or more right owners at a nice figure and there is nothing to be gained by holding on longer. It does not care for the job of furnishing water indefinitely and keeping a system in repairs free.

Another conference is called to meet in the club room next Thursday night, at which time the report of the committee appointed will be received and other needed moves looked after. The request is made that every holder be present and help along the probing.

Both of the Artesia banks and the postoffice observed the Happy New Year by taking a recess for the day. The ungodly bill collector was abroad in the land, however.

Abstracts—Opposite Bank of Artesia.

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First Door North of Artesia Hotel.

Had a Great Time.

From all reports that leaked out to the aliens yesterday, that jolly bunch of fraternalists, the Odd Fellows, had a great time Thursday night, when the new officers were installed and a big hole made in the current supply of edibles. The new officers recently elected were duly installed in the impressive manner of the order.

Presbyterian Church.

There will be regular services at the Presbyterian church tomorrow, morning and evening, to which the public generally is extended an earnest invitation.

E. E. Mathes, pastor.

Sunday Dinner at Artesia Hotel

The Artesia, the leading hotel of the city will hereafter give a special Sunday dinner, from 12 to 2 o'clock local time at regular price. Also board and room \$1.50 per day. Meals 35 cents. Board and room \$7.00 a week or \$25.00 a month. tf

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J. C. Maxwell, our friend of rabbit fame, has leased Schlitz hotel at Carlsbad.

ELECTION NEXT MONDAY.

Artesia Library Association to Name Directors for Twelve Months.

Artesia's pioneer organization, the Library Association, will hold an election at the reading room next Monday afternoon from 1 o'clock until 5, when every subscriber to the association is requested and urged to come and cast a vote for the directors for the ensuing year. The old board of twelve will go out this week and their successors are to be selected out of those who are regular subscribers. By request of the retiring board, Messrs. H. W. Hamilton, J. Dale Graham, Olin Ragsdale and Gayle Talbot met Tuesday afternoon and, out of the list of subscribers, selected twenty-five names to be balloted upon next Monday. Of these, twelve are to be selected as directors for 1908. All names will be printed on the tickets and each voter will select the twelve of his or her choice and scratch the other names off the ticket. The twelve receiving the greatest number of votes will be declared elected as the new board.

Every subscriber is urged by the ladies to come and vote. The board to be selected is an important one. The Library is an institution that the entire town has all along been interested in and its welfare in the future depends upon the people who have charge of affairs in the future. The board will be composed entirely of women and whoever they may be, we trust it will be their constant effort to keep the library to the front.

The names to be selected from are Mesdames S. A. Butler, F. E. Turner, Jo Jacobson, George Fletcher, J. H. Askew, F. J. Lukins, J. B. Enfield, S. W. Gilbert, E. E. Mathes, J. E. Swebston, J. B. Cecill, Kattie Bruning, John P. Lowry, E. F. Phillips, E. A. Clayton, Wm. Benson, Albert Blake, Wm. Dooley, E. E. McNatt, A. C. Keinath, E. F. Dunaway and C. L. Heath. Misses Lily McIlhany, Cora Hess and Clara Williamson.

Dr. J. C. Cron, who came to Artesia from Gladbrook, Iowa, several months ago for his health, died at Roswell New Year's Day. The editor of the Advocate enjoyed the acquaintance of Dr. Cron and it is with a feeling of sadness we learn of his death.

Mr. R. P. Love, that courtly old gentleman and expert orchardist of Carlsbad, came up for a few days visit to his son, R. M. Love, Christmas.

A Pleasant Evening.

A crowd of fun-loving young people gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Schwartz Monday evening to spend a few pleasant hours with Mr. Craig Schwartz before his return to college in Enid, Okla.

The evening was devoted to conversation, and games such as flinch, raffles, jack-straws and crokinole. Delicious refreshments were served.

Those present were Mesdames Mendenhall and Welton, Misses Ross, Mendenhall, Kinsingre, Ferson, Bay, Lockney, Ora, Mary and Vera Heath, Messrs. Schwartz, Zellers, Welton, Shanks, Allen, Herbert Mendenhall and Thornton Ferson.

Just before itme to say good-night, Master Herbert Mendenhall took a flashlight photograph of the guests, gracefully grouped. A very pleasant evening was spent and the time seemed all too short.

Leap year was only twenty-four hours old until Artesia scored one wedding.

The watch night services held at the Presbyterian church Tuesday night was largely attended and continued until long after the glad new year had succeeded the old. The Advocate has been unable to secure a program of the exercises, which consisted of recitations and music, followed by prayer service.

Rev. W. H. Schrivner, an evangelist of the Christian church, will begin a revival meeting in Artesia the latter part of this month. He is a minister of recognized ability and it will be a pleasure for the people of Artesia to hear him.

To Trade.

120 acres, patented, with plenty of water, to trade for Artesia town property.
L. W. Martin.

IN SPLENDID CONDITION.

Artesia Bank Starts New Year With Coffers Full and Otherwise Sound.

In another column will be found the semi-annual statement of the Bank of Artesia, and if you doubt the prosperity of the Artesia country it might do you good to peruse the figures. Like the statement of the First National last month, it shows that the people of Artesia have plenty of money that "has never been spent." The Bank of Artesia has made a wonderful stride to the fore. Less than three years old, it has established a reputation for conservatism and fair dealing that has made it hundreds of friends and it comes out today with the best showing ever made in Artesia. Notwithstanding the recent financial panic, the bank has \$153,000 in individual deposits. While, like others, the Bank of Artesia, issued cashier's checks recently in order to head off any unnecessary rush of withdrawals. All this paper has been redeemed but a small fraction and that will be taken up as soon as presented. The popularity of this institution is attested by the statement made. John B. Enfield, the cashier, has given every consideration to the needs of his patrons and the bank's liberal policy has won for it a warm place in the hearts of the people of this vicinity. It has been enabled at all times to attend to the wants of local people and at the same time lend help to other banking institutions in the valley. Every loyal citizen of Artesia is pleased to know that the two banks have come through the "late unpleasantness" unscathed and unembarrassed.

Assessment Work Wanted.

I am prepared to do plowing, ditching and all kinds of assessment work at a reasonable price.
W. W. White, Artesia, N. M.

J. H. Beckham and C. W. DeFreest returned Wednesday evening from a week's hunting in the mountains.

T. F. Blackmore, the abstract man, has moved his office from the Clayton building opposite the Bank of Artesia, to the first door south of the postoffice, with Talbot & Terrill.

Keep in mind the Valentine Penny Supper to be given by the ladies of the Presbyterian church.

Craig Schwartz, who has been spending the holidays with home folks, left Friday morning for Enid, Oklahoma where he is attending college.

Mrs. L. W. Martin and children returned Wednesday night from Roswell, where they spent Christmas with relatives. We regret to learn that Mrs. Martin has been sick for several days.

Beef, Pork, Veal and Mutton, Artesia Market.

Dr. Rathbun and family left last night for Artesia, where the doctor has gone to investigate the Penasco reservoir proposition.—Roswell Record.

Ladies of the Presbyterian church are preparing for a Valentine Penny Supper.

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF ARTESIA.

During the Season of Good Cheer, desires to express to its regular patrons and to all with whom it has had business relations during the past year, its appreciation of their patronage and to extend to them, and to all their friends, its

BEST WISHES for a HAPPY and PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR.

R. M. ROSS, Cashier.

P. S. COME IN AND GET A CALENDAR FOR 1908.

Mr. D. Scott and Miss Blanche Parker gave their friends a surprise Thursday evening by going to the residence of Rev. E. E. Mathes, pastor of the Presbyterian church, and having that gentleman perform a ceremony that made them husband and wife. Immediately thereafter, the couple took the train for St. Louis, where Mr. Scott is attending medical college. Mr. Roscoe Scott is well known and one of the most popular young men in the town and everybody takes pleasure in extending to him hearty congratulations on his good fortune. Miss Parker is a beautiful young lady, with many graces of character, and will make a worthy help-meet for the man she has honored with her hand and heart. The Advocate extends the heartiest congratulations to the young folks, and in this the paper is joined by a host of friends and well wishers.

A Valentine Penny Supper will be given by the ladies of the Presbyterian church.

LOST—My furs, between the Presbyterian church and our farm. Finder will please return same to Advocate office or call over phone

Mrs. C. F. Erb.

B. V. Bogy, a Texas friend of the Advocate editor, who once enjoyed life in the live city of Artesia but who is just now doing time for Joyce-Pruit Co. at Carlsbad, spent a day or two with us this week.

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The artesian well law requires the well owner to furnish a log of his well and provides a penalty for his failure to do so, you should have Mull drill your well. He furnishes the log and complies with all other requirements of the well law, thus preventing the expense of legal complications.

Our rig is not operated by farmers nor cow-punchers, but drillers of twenty years experience.

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Office Phone No. 9. Residence Phone No. 15. Room 3, over City Drug store

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Dentist.
Office over City Drug Store.

Residence Phone 70 Office 60
DR. J. DALE GRAHAM,
Physician and Surgeon.
Office Opposite the First National Bank. City Physician.

J. G. Osburn A. V. Logan
OSBURN & LOGAN,
Attorneys and Counsellors at Law
Rooms 1 and 2 Bank of Artesia Bld.
Notary in Office.
Artesia, - - - New Mexico.

DR. M. M. INMAN,
Physician and Surgeon
Residence Phone 103. Office 105.
Office next door to Adams' Barber Shop.

DR. T. E. PRESLEY,
Specialist
Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat. Office hours 9 to 12 a. m. 2 to 4 p. m. Oklahoma Block, Roswell, N. M.

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AN END TO GAMBLING.

New Mexico Takes Rightful Place for Decency and Good Government.

The law against all kinds of gambling in New Mexico went into effect New Year's morning and, so far as the Pecos Valley is concerned, it will be enforced to the letter. No man who is acquainted with Judge Pope doubts this statement for a minute. The sport who attempts to disobey the law will find a mighty rocky road to travel. The law is as follows:

Section 1. It shall hereafter be unlawful to run or operate any banking games of chance such as faro, monte, passfaro, passmonte, twenty-one, roulette, chuck-a-luck, hazard, fan tan, poker, stud poker, red and black, high and low, craps or any other banking game or games of chance played with cards or dice by whatsoever name known, in the territory of New Mexico.

Section 2. Any person who is the possessor of the games mentioned in Section 1, or any person engaged in operating any such games, or has in actual possession and control as lessee or otherwise of the premises upon which such games are run or operated shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not less than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) or more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) and shall be imprisoned in the county jail for not less than six months.

Section 3. It shall be the duty of all district attorneys to report any and all violations of this law to the grand jury to investigate for themselves and cause indictments to be brought against any violation of any of the foregoing offenses mentioned in section 1 of this act, whether in operation at the time of the investigation or at any other time after the passage of this act, and within three years after the commission of the offense.

Section 4. The fines assessed and collected under the provisions of this act shall go to the benefit of the school fund of the school district, town or city in which such offense is committed, except in towns or cities of over one thousand inhabitants, in which case one-half of all the fines shall go to the town or city.

Notice of Final Settlement.

Notice is hereby given, to those who may be concerned in the estate of Joseph G. Welsh, deceased, that Laura J. Welsh has filed her final account as Executrix of the estate of the said Joseph G. Welsh, deceased. It is therefore ordered by the Hon. John W. Armstrong, Probate Judge for Eddy County, Territory of New Mexico that the 20th day of January, A. D. 1908, be fixed for the hearing of objections, if any there be, and the adjustment and settlement of the accounts of the said estate.

Witness my hand and the seal of the Probate Court in and for Eddy County, New Mexico.

W. R. Owen
Probate Clerk.
Dec. 23rd, 1907. 4t

John W. Price and the editor of the Advocate spent Monday at the flourishing village of Hope and found things in prosperous shape in that section, although some of the orchardists are a little bit uneasy for fear that the many days of warm weather will cause the buds to swell and a loss of fruit later on. New lumber is being used in all directions from the town of Hope and an air of prosperity is detected. A number of new homes have been established on the beautiful mesa lands lying between Artesia and Hope—forerunners of the complete settlement that is sure to come, the same as it has come to the Panhandle and the Belen cut-off section. There is no better land under the skies than that west of Artesia and the settler who has the grit and is not afraid to work and wait can get good homes for the taking. Prospects are now that many acres will be planted to crops the coming year. Work on the Cat Claw reservoir proposition has ceased during the holidays. The reservoir is now partially filled with water.

All The World

is a stage, and Ballard's Snow Liniment plays a most prominent part. It has no superior for Rheumatism, stiff joints, cuts, sprains, and all pains. Buy it, try it and you will always use it. Anybody who has used Ballard's Snow Liniment is a living proof of what it does. Buy a trial bottle. 25c, 50c and \$1.00.—Sold by Redford & Mann.

A Higher Health Level.

"I have reached a higher health level since I began using Dr. King's New Life Pills," writes Jacob Springer of West Franklin, Maine. "They keep my stomach, liver and bowels working just right." If these pills disappoint you on trial, money will be refunded at Pecos Valley Drug Company. 25c.

The girls of Artesia will have their first inning of Leap Year next Wednesday evening, and indications are that they are not overlooking any opportunities. The society reporter of the Advocate says every available and eligible young beau of the town has already been slated for the celebration. While some married men will attend the function at the club rooms, in all probability they will receive but scant attention.

Carrie Nation

certainly smashed a hole in the bar-rooms of Kansas, but Ballard's Horehound Syrup has smashed all records as a cure for coughs, Bronchitis, Influenza and all Pulmonary diseases. T. C. H., Horton, Kansas, writes: "I have never found a medicine that would cure a cough so quickly as Ballard's Horehound Syrup. I have used it for years."—Sold by Redford & Mann.

The real estate firm of Clayton, Talbot & Terrill have dissolved by mutual consent, Mr. Clayton retiring to look after his private business and Messrs. Talbot & Terrill continuing. The latter gentlemen have moved into the Higgins & Schrock building, first door south of post-office, down stairs.

It Does The Business.

Mr. E. E. Chamberlain, of Clinton Maine, says of Bucklen's Arnica Salve, "It does the business; I have used it for piles and it cured them. Used it for chapped hands and it cured them. Applied it to an old sore and it healed it without leaving a scar behind." 25c. at Pecos Valley Drug Co.

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ARTESIA, - NEW MEXICO

CONCERT LAST EVENING. A Meritorious Program Which was Enthusiastically Received by Large Audience.

The St. Cecilia Club, Artesia's splendid musical organization, gave its initial recital last evening at the Logan & Dyer building, in conjunction with other local talent representing the High School, the proceeds of the entertainment to go toward the club and to purchasing a piano for the High School. The program as given below was carried out in its entirety and every number proved very enjoyable. Those who were present deemed it nothing less than remarkable that a town the size of Artesia should possess so much talent. Mrs. Corbin and Miss Childress deserve great credit for their untiring efforts toward making the entertainment a success.

- THE PROGRAM.
- "Scarf Dance" Schamanade Miss Boose.
 - When the Heart is Young Dudley Buch Mrs. Corbin.
 - Soaring Schubert Mrs. Ragsdale.
 - The Woodbird's Song Mrs. Reed, Mrs. Birney.
 - "Waiting for Thee" Mr. Beatty.
 - The Palms Leybach Miss Newkirk.
 - Violin Solo Selected Mr. E. C. King.
 - Polish Dance Scharwenka Miss McIlhany.
 - Let Me Love Thee Arditi Mrs. John Enfield.
 - La Zingana Bohm Mr. L. Garrison.
 - Bridal Chorus Cowen Ladies Chorus.
 - "So Long, Mary" Mrs. Corbin and Chorus.
 - "Drums of the Fore and Aft" Rosa Wetig and drummer girls.
 - "Life Is a See Saw" Miss Rice and Mr. Welton.
 - "School Days" Miss Kramer and chorus.
 - "Japanese Love Song" Mrs. Enfield and Geisha girls.
 - "Cheyenne Girls" Miss Childress and chorus.

Bad Stomach Trouble Cured.
Having been sick for the past two years with a bad stomach trouble, a friend gave me a dose of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. They did me so much good that I bought a bottle of them and have used twelve bottles in all. Today I am well of a bad stomach trouble.—Mrs. John Lowe, Cooper, Main. These tablets are for sale by City Drug Store.

Why Colds are Dangerous.
If you would be immune from disease, keep the system healthy. Each successive cold weakens the constitution and renders infectious diseases more liable. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy will cure your cold promptly and restore the system to its normal condition. For sale by City Drug Store.

To The People of Eddy County.

We thank you for the liberal patronage given us during the past year. We have endeavored to merit your patronage by giving you values which have not nor will be given you by any other store doing business in the county. During the year of 1908 we shall pursue the same policy as has been our wont in the past viz. spot cash, lowest known cost, dependable merchandise, one price to all.

A prosperous and happy New Year to one and all.
The Big Racket Store.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy Benefits a City Councilman at Kingston, Jamaica.

Mr. W. O'Reilly Fogarty, who is a member of the City Council at Kingston, Jamaica, West Indies, writes as follows: "One bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy had good effect on a cough that was giving me trouble and I think I should have been more quickly relieved if I had continued the remedy. That it was beneficial and quick in relieving me there is no doubt and it is my intention to obtain another bottle."—For sale by Redford & Mann.

A letter to the editor of the Advocate from a friend in Iowa says four cars of household goods and stock will leave his town for Artesia on the 7th. The new comers have purchased farms near town and will add to the Valley's producing population.

The Price of Peace.
The terrible itching and smarting, incident to certain skin diseases, is almost instantly allayed by applying Chamberlain's Salve. Price, 25 cents.—For Sale by City Drug Store.

Applications for Grazing Permits.

Notice is hereby given that applications for permits to graze cattle, horses, sheep and goats within the GUADALUPE NATIONAL FOREST during the season of 1908 must be filed in my office at Alamogordo, N. M., on or before April 10, 1908. Full information in regard to the grazing fees to be charged and blank forms to be used in making application will be furnished upon request. Chas. H. Hinderer, Acting Supervisor. 12-7-8t

W. H. Gibson, of the Cottonwood country, came in from Dalhart, Texas, a few days ago.

Rank Foolishness.

When attacked by a cough or a cold or when your throat is sore, it is rank foolishness to take any other medicine than Dr. King's New Discovery," says C. O. Eldridge, of Empire, Ga. "I have used New Discovery seven years and I know it is the best remedy on earth for coughs and colds, croup and all throat and lung troubles. My children are subject to croup, but New Discovery quickly cures every attack." Known the world over as the King of throat and lung remedies. Sold under guarantee at Pecos Valley Drug Co. 50c. and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

Rose Lawn.

Five to seven acre tracts, from one-half mile to one mile from Main street of Artesia, New Mexico, are now on sale to actual home builders at a price much below what they will be one or two years hence. These suburban lots are being improved right along. More rose hedges will be planted, and more fruit trees and grape vines will be set out this season.

R. M. LOVE, Artesia, N. M.

President and Manager, H. L. MUNCY. Secretary and Treasurer, WILLIAM DOOLEY.

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The Eastern Ry. Co. of New Mexico,
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For Quick Sales List Your Property With L. W. Martin

LOCALS ABOUT TOWN AND COUNTRY.

Phone 8. Choice meats.
 Try our oysters. Artesia Market.
 Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Dooley were Roswell visitors Tuesday.
 Fancy meats at the Artesia Market.
 We do the best work for the least money. Artesia Machine Shop.
 Lum Richards came in from Hope Tuesday.
 Don't fail to try our lard. Artesia Market.
 Mrs. Raymond Caruthers joined her husband at Roswell this week.
 Apple trees in twenty of the leading commercial varieties at Artesia Nursery.
 We need the money and appreciate your patronage. Artesia Machine Shop.
 Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Schneider spent a day with relatives and friends in Roswell this week.
 Dee Harkey, prospective candidate for county clerk, was a visitor to Artesia last Saturday.
 How about those rubber tires? Let us put you on a new set CHEAP. Artesia Machine Shop.
 All kinds of chickens at the Artesia Market.
 Five thousand Cottonwood trees for sale, any size. Chisholm Orchard and Nursery Co., Dayton.
 Little Miss Ernestine Cox, of Lakewood, has been spending the week with her grandmother, Mrs. Brasher.
 The Chisholm Orchard and Nursery Company, Dayton, has five thousand Cottonwood trees for sale, any size.
 Dr. George P. Stoker came in from Durango, Mexico yesterday to look after his farming interests near Artesia.
 Remember Sperry & Lukins are complying exactly to the law and ordinance in regard to tapping the city water pipes.
 H. W. Hamilton is off on a visit to his family at San Antonio and will go from there to Pittsburg, Pa.
 Prof. Botts and wife have returned from a visit to friends at Hope and will be at their places in the public school next Monday.
 D. W. Runyan went to Hope Monday to present a petition asking the voters up there to help out on the bridge bond proposition.
 List your property with the old reliable FARMERS' LAND LEAGUE. We are bringing hundreds of prospective buyers to the valley.
 The City of Artesia is having a house erected on the lawn in the rear of the Bank of Artesia wherein to place the hose carts recently purchased.
 A square deal assured to all if you list your property with the LAND EXCHANGE, see them at once if you have anything to sell or exchange.
 For Rent—The storeroom now occupied by Jones Brothers' general store after Feb. 1, 1908. Apply to L. B. Boellner, Roswell, N. M.
 Pure Leaf Lard, Artesia Market.

RESULT OF WEEK'S VOTING.

Same Contestants Ahead, But By a Margin Not So Large as Before.

ORGAN CONTEST.	
High School	43923
I. O. O. F.	35477
Library	251
RING AND WATCH CONTEST.	
Miss Jewel Logsdon	26726
Miss Nora Gage	22228
Miss Nellie Turknett	7664
Miss S. K. Bradshaw	4412
Miss Rose Whetig	4154
Ruth Price	2478
Ora Hale	1795
Miss Allie Chisholm	1498
Evelyn Welch	1283
Daisy Kaufman	969
Rachel Dunaway	959
Ruth Brainard	941
Pheaby Martin	921
Miss Fannie Eddington	481
Ester Hook	449
Miss Cora Rice	444
Miss Effie McCaw	233
Pearl Lawrence	211
Miss Kattie Kappan	163
Dora Twyman	116
Ellen Cooper	50

In this contest all tickets not legally signed by the voter will be thrown out, and not counted. Votes may be purchased from the following establishments.
 Grand Leader' Redford & Mann, Big Jo Lumber Company, Artesia Feed & Fuel Company, Fatherree & Enfield, G. R. Fleicher, R. R. Beatty, Artesia Advocate and E. N. Skaer. Voting box at Redford & Mann's Drug Store.

Superintendent M. P. Kerr paid his annual visit to the schools at Monument and at Knowles, last week. He reports them as doing nicely and well attended. The attendance at the four schools which come under the jurisdiction of the Monument district having an attendance of 160 and two schools at Knowles having an average attendance of 100. He says the claims country is rapidly filling up with new comers and the little towns which he visited, were full of people trading with the merchants. That section of the country was visited by a good rain Saturday, when he was leaving on his return trip for home.—Carlsbad Argus.

Why Suffer from Rheumatism.

Do you know that rheumatic pains can be relieved? If you doubt this just try one application of Chamberlain's Pain Balm. It may not give you relief from pain but will make rest and sleep possible, and that certainly means a great deal to any one afflicted with rheumatism. For sale by City Drug Store.

C. O. Halbert of Texas, arrived in the city a few days ago and is being shown the Artesia country by his friend, E. I. Allen. Mr. H. informs the Advocate that he likes the country so well that he will live in Artesia.

Mrs. Alma Porter and nephew, Master Arnold Porter, returned to their homes in Chicago last Friday, after a Christmas visit to the family of Edgar Porter.

House for Rent.

2 room cottage, close in, stable and buggy shed. Apply to B. F. Sloane at Advocate or to Mrs. L. C. Brasher, opposite Texas Hotel.

The Mothers' Club.

The Mothers' Club will meet at the school house next Wednesday Jan. 8 at 3:30 p. m.

The following program will be rendered:

- Solo, Rosa Wetig.
- Reading, Mrs. Owens.
- The Teacher's Influence, Mrs. Lockney.
- Paper, Mrs. J. T. Patrick.
- The Attractive Schoolroom and it's Surroundings, Mrs. Gilbert.
- Recitation, Estelle Maulden.
- Question Box.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy a Safe Medicine For Children.

In buying a cough medicine for children, never be afraid to buy Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. There is no danger from it, and relief is always sure to follow. It is intended especially for coughs, colds, croup and whooping cough, and there is no better medicine in the world for these diseases. It is not only a certain cure for croup, but, when given as soon as the croupy cough appears, will prevent the attack. Whooping cough is not dangerous when this remedy is given as directed. It contains no opium or other harmful drugs, and may be given as confidently to a baby as to an adult.—For sale by Redford & Mann.

During the rush attendant upon the printing of last week's Advocate, we were compelled to leave out an item telling of the Christmas exercises at the Methodist church, and a number of friends have asked the reason for the oversight. The entire program rendered was highly enjoyed, especially the songs and recitations of the smaller children.

A Cure For Misery.

"I have found a cure for the misery malaria poison produces," says R. M. James of Louellen, S. C. "It's called Electric Bitters, and comes in 50 cent bottles. It breaks up a case of chills or a bilious attack in almost no time; and it puts yellow jaundice clean out of commission." This great tonic medicine and blood purifier gives quick relief in all stomach, liver and kidney complaints and the misery of lame back. Sold under guarantee at Pecos Valley Drug Co.

A Misunderstood Compliment.

As a number on the program at the Methodist church Sunday night, two dear little misses, Irene Gage and Leolo Turner sang a duet, and did it so well that the audience demanded a repetition. After it was all over, Irene, aged six, said "We singed it all wrong and had to go back and do it over again."

Chickens, hens or springers. Artesia Market.

Dr. P. M. Baker left this week for Chicago to have his eye treated because of a wound he received some days ago.

L. N. Brownlee has moved from Dayton to the farm north of Artesia that he purchased some time ago from L. C. Robertson. His father and mother arrived from Emporia, Kansas, yesterday to visit him for a while.

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