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

## HAVE STRUCK OIL.

### Dayton Oil Company Rewarded By Securing What Appears to Be a Producer.

The people of the Pecos Valley have talked oil so much for the past few years that the subject has become something of a joke, yet this week developments have been made that go far to warrant the assertion that this valley will ere long be known as one of the largest producing districts of the west. Ever since the first well was put down in the lower valley, drillers have been encountering more or less oil sand and have contended all the while that there is oil here. Within the past two years three wells have been put down near Roswell in a search for the fluid, but the showing has never proven satisfactory—although the well west of Roswell, near the head of North Spring river, developed a twelve-foot streak of oil sand and may terminate into something yet.

While boring a well for W. A. Swingle, on the divide between what is known as Four Mile Draw and North Seven Rivers last year, John D'Arcy went into oil sand at a depth of less than five hundred feet. The well was an artesian gusher and because of the immense volume of water it was impossible to tell just how much the oil amounted to. The showing of fluid that came out with the water was so good, however, that the local people concluded that a better test should be made at that place. Accordingly, a few months ago a company was formed for the purpose, each subscriber putting in a small amount of money. The company formed was named the Dayton Oil and Development Company and the following named gentlemen composed it:

G. A. Richardson, J. C. Grant, J. J. Boyd, J. H. Kingston, S. B. Crippen, C. F. Matthews, J. S. Highsmith, J. W. Foster, E. C. Higgins, W. A. Swingle, G. U. McCrary, Dooley & Muncy, J. R. Creath, W. H. Chisholm, F. N. Bruce, M. B. Culpepper, A. H. Kent, J. W. Frank, A. S. Durrum, J. C. Fillingim, E. C. Cook, W. E. Thomson, Plott-Childress Company, W. K. Breeding, B. F. Pearman, J. B. Roberts, F. A. Berry, W. C. Lawrence, P. H. Cannon, W. F. Schwartz, John B. King, C. C. Hullett, Gayle Talbot, J. D. Whelan, H. H. Hess, J. C. Gage, FATHERREE & ENFIELD, H. E. Mull and the Big Jo Lumber Company.

Of this number a board of control, composed of Messrs. Culpepper, Mull, Cook, Matthews and Richardson was elected to take charge of the

matter of development. These gentlemen entered into a contract with C. C. Grant, an experienced oil driller who formerly operated in the Pennsylvania fields and who had been prospecting at Roswell the past two years, to put a hole down to a depth of 500 feet (the depth of the former well) with the privilege of going deeper, if thought necessary. Mr. Grant, assisted by Mr. R. J. Biglow, who had been Mr. Grant's partner in the Butler, Pennsylvania, fields for the past twenty-three years, began work several weeks ago with a first-class standard rig. A 13-inch hole was started, in order that the several expected flows of water could be cased off. A ten-inch casing was set at 290 feet, an eight-inch at 442 feet and a flow of sulphur water was shut off at 465 feet. Ten feet below this the first pay streak of oil sand was encountered, with the hole free from water. When the Advocate editor left the well Wednesday afternoon, the bit had penetrated 26 feet of oil sand and was still in it. The showing made was all that could be desired and much more than the promoters had anticipated. The amount of oil sand encountered is something unusual, as ten or twelve feet is generally considered sufficient to warrant a pumping proposition. Some of the sand is coarse and loose and some tight, but is all thoroughly chrysalized and carries what appears to be plenty of oil.

At the well Wednesday, were four experienced oil well men, among them H. E. Mull, well inspector at this place, and they all pronounced the oil of good lubricating quality, better than the Beaumont article. The slushing made just before noon Wednesday, showed that the lower flow was of some lighter quality and promised a fair grade of refining fluid. It has asphaltum base.

A meeting of stockholders was held at the field Wednesday and took steps toward further development. All shareholders have been called to meet in Artesia at 2 p. m. today for the purpose of making permanent organization and applying for incorporation. It was the sense of the meeting Wednesday that no more interest be sold in the company pending organization and future developments at the well. Those present were convinced that plenty of oil is in sight to make the well a paying proposition at once, and no stock

will be sold unless it is later deemed best to put the hole deeper. The driller, Mr. Grant, says he has brought in many fine producers that did not have evidence in the Four Mile well, and that, in his opinion, the well is a money-maker now, as soon as shot and bailed. As soon as the present streak of sand is penetrated, it is likely that the gentleman in charge will shoot the well and determine its capacity before going further.

The field is, according to section lines, 16 1-2 miles from Artesia, 10 miles from Dayton and 7 1-2 miles from Lakewood, and is in the center of a vast area of country that has shown traces of oil for years in every water well bored.

The Advocate does not make the bold assertion that a paying producer has been secured—a matter that no one can tell for several days yet. However, it is evident that the best prospect ever found in the Pecos Valley is about in and if this does not prove a success, from any cause, it means that prospecting has just begun, for enough oil is in sight to warrant the putting down of other wells.

A sample of the oil secured Wednesday may be seen at the office of Talbot & Terrill.

### TODAY IS THE DAY.

#### The Lake Arthur Times Says We Must Have Less Expense in County Government.

There is no time like the present to push forward the movement for a more economical administration of our county affairs. We should not wait for the election to draw nigh, but instead every man who is interested in the future of the county should work from now on with renewed energy to force same as an issue at the next election. The times suggested a few weeks back that if good men would run for the county offices and promise to pay back into the county treasury all over a certain salary, say \$2,000, there would be little doubt that they would be elected.—Lake Arthur Times.

### Dear at The Price.

Lower salaries for county offices is now the street corner talk in Chaves county. Keep it up boys. May be some of you want to run for office some day and you know you wouldn't be worth \$8,000 per year, so fight for a reduction. There is no sense in a county taxing many people to make a few rich.—Lake Arthur Times.

J. B. Hall, an old-time friend of the Advocate editor and now representing the Kirby Implement Co., of Dallas, Texas, was looking after business in Artesia Tuesday and gave us a call.

### LEAVE OFF BOODLE.

#### Judge W. E. Rogers, of Lake Arthur, Takes up Fight for Common Sense Government.

Eddy County, New Mexico.  
January 8, 1908.  
Editor Advocate,  
Artesia, N. M.

Dear Sir:

I desire to express my approval of the stand you take to reduce the exorbitant salaries of county officers throughout New Mexico. There is one grave evil of the system that shows such salary is in fact of no benefit to the office holder himself, and no one derives any good from it, in this: The campaign expenses of each of some of these candidates for these high salaried offices in Chaves and Eddy counties, (I have not heard from others) I am told are from fifteen hundred to three thousand dollars. Now such sums of money used for such purpose can not be legitimate or right. To use money as such a "slush fund" is to buy votes either directly or indirectly; and such a course is wholly subversive of good government. Then if the people attach a salary to an office in excess of legitimate compensation for the duties performed, every dollar in excess of such sum will be regarded by certain candidates as a "slush fund" and goes for that purpose, not only by the "ins" who have it, but by the "outs" as well, who want to get in. While reforms seem to be in order, where is an evil that needs attention worse than this? Some of the states have a law requiring every candidate to file of record an itemized statement under oath of what his expenses were in the campaign. Now such a statement would be interesting reading in such a case as I observed in a Justice Court in Chaves county recently, where one recipient of slush money in a recent election charged another recipient of such fund with a felony, in that the one appropriated a portion of such fund that was coming to the other.

It is to be hoped that the good people will see to it that our tax fund will be so guarded that our county offices will have attached such compensation as will induce good and competent men to fill them, and such men to offer for them as are willing to leave off that which is purely "boodle."

Yours truly  
W. E. Rogers.

Green Caraway has moved to Hope, where he will have charge of the Runyan & Gage orchard this year. While the past season was regarded as a failure, as far as fruit was concerned, this orchard brought the owners more than twelve hundred dollars.

This is the Man and January 24th is the Date.



Do not fail to see "The Tenderfoot," in his Lecture for benefit of High School.

### Leap Year Entertainment.

The ladies of the Commercial Club, realized that leap year comes but "one time in four" and wishing to make the most of it, planned a very jolly entertainment which was carried out Wednesday evening. The promoters of the scheme were Mesdames McNatt, Phillips, Olin Ragsdale and Major and this is equivalent to saying that everything was managed just as it should be. The room was decorated lavishly in a continuation of the red and green of Christmas, cedar, holly and mistletoe and red bunting being the materials employed. The usual order of things was reversed in every way, the ladies acting as escort, requesting the dances etc., causing no end of fun. If these fair ones had the idea of showing the gentlemen how such things should be done and of setting an example to be followed, that baser half stands ready to give up and acknowledge that such grace and etiquette can never be aspired to.

The music was supplied by the Mexican orchestra and about 25 couples danced. The adjoining offices were arranged with tables and games for about 30 more people who did not care to dance.

A supper of sandwiches, chicken-salad, cranberry jelly, and olives and coffee were served. Besides the usual attendants of club functions here, there were present Miss Irma Totzek, of Roswell and Mr. and Mrs. Doc Wade and Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Gage, of Hope.

Stone Wilburn, a popular citizen of Hope, was a visitor to Artesia Tuesday.

8-Room, Cement Stone House and 2 Lots for \$3000.00 L. W. MARTIN



# The Artesia Advocate.

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GAYLE TALBOT, EDITOR

This paper has been entered in the postoffice at Artesia, New Mexico, as second-class mail matter.

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The big artesian gusher brought in this week is three miles from Artesia and thirty-five from Carlsbad.

Artesia is apparently no place for the calamity howler for the last statement of the Bank of Artesia shows deposits of \$153,468.41, an exhibit that speaks louder than words for the wonderful growth of that city and its supporting country.—Register-Tribune.

The many friends and admirers of "The Tenderfoot" are congratulating themselves upon the opportunity they will have of hearing him tell his stories on January 24th. Artesia has an appreciative people and very few of them overlook an opportunity of this kind when presented.

That model of neatness and enterprise, the Lakewood Progress, passed another milestone on the way last week. There is probably not another town in the United States the size of Lakewood that can show so good a paper as the Progress. If the citizens of the White City do not properly appreciate their paper, they should do so. It is doing more for that portion of the valley than all other powers combined—outside of natural advantages.

As has been repeatedly remarked, the Advocate columns are utilized for the purpose of furthering those ideas and enterprises that are deemed best for the country in which it is published, and not for the purpose of venting spleen upon any person or persons. It is issues we are contending for and no man's personality is sufficiently important to sidetrack the purposes. As a clean paper that goes into the homes of the people, the Advocate can not afford to answer in kind all the attacks that may be made by less responsible and less scrupulous sheets. Somewhere in the Good Book, we are adjured to "answer a fool according to his folly, lest he grow wise in his own conceit," but the Advocate must be excused, in the name of decency, for violating the commandment, along with many others. Billingsgate has long been recognized as the language of the blackguard and the bawd. When reason is dethroned and sensible argument no longer possible, blasphemy usurps the place of brains and maledictions mark the line where respectability stops and indecency begins. There are those so low in the scale of life that their abuse becomes at once a recommendation and their friendship a serious embarrassment. The Advocate is content with the recommendation such abuse carries. We are devoutly thankful that no action of this

paper has been so disreputable as to warrant a word of praise from a source whose endorsement would be a curse and whose friendship a brand of infamy. This paper stands for good clean journalism, free from malice and blackguardism and it has the approval of every man in Artesia who admires the right and wants to see the Valley built up, regardless of personal aggrandizement.

## NEW LAND OFFICE RULING.

### Further Restrictions Promulgated Against Development of Arid New Mexico.

United States Court Commissioner Albert Blake received some new rulings this week recently promulgated by Secretary Garfield's office that are calculated to work additional embarrassment to those enterprising people who would come to the Pecos Valley and develop farms. The rulings are to the effect that any man who has at any time made a desert entry for any amount of public domain cannot thereafter hold by assignment or otherwise any more land which has been taken up under that act. Heretofore it has been possible for a man to assign his desert claim to another and buy more land, but this must stop. It is also ruled that if one has at any time held a desert assignment and who has never made an original entry is forbidden making that entry at all. In other words a party can hold one entry, either as assignee or original entryman and that settles it. He is forever barred from owning any other land except it be patented. The law goes into effect March 1

In this section of the west where no land frauds have developed and where the people are doing everything possible to get home in an honest manner, this ruling is uncalled for and amounts to nothing less than an imposition. It will stop a great deal of trading and keep down the development of the Valley—the very thing the department at Washington professes to desire so much.

### M. B. A. Installation.

The Modern Brotherhood of America installed their new officers last night. Special preparations had been made for the occasion. Refreshments were served and a general good time had. The newly installed officers are:

F. A. Linell, president; E. S. Haggard, vice-president; Mrs. Linell, Chaplain; Drs. Graham, Dunaway and Baker, physicians; Ada Walling, Conductor; E. Albritton, Watchman; Myrl Allen, Sentry; Dr. J. J. Clark, Spirit of Evil; Joe Cohen, Albert Linell, Louis Schneider, Frank McClary and Eugene Albritton, working team.

### For Sale.

Pure Bred Chickens—I have a number of Fine Barred Plymouth Rock chickens for sale. Hens and Cockerels.

Joe M. Conn.

Messrs. Pinnell and Fillingim of Dayton, called on the Advocate while in the city Thursday.

# Why PAY More? LOGIC.

Logic is the art of reasoning correctly. There's logic displayed in buying from **THE BIG RACKET STORE**. We make your money go a long way in supplying your wants. In this Store your dollars will have the happy faculty of buying as much for one as for two elsewhere.

## What You Can Buy for 1 Cent.

Pair Shade Brackets.  
Lead Pencil, with rubber.  
Pen Holder and Point.  
1 Yard, all Silk Baby Ribbon.  
Thimble.  
Cover Knob.  
3 Sheets Tissue Paper.  
White Lawn Tie.  
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Tassel Hook.  
Corset Lace.  
1 Yard Battenberg Braid.  
1-2 Dozen Wire Hair Pins.  
Card Darning Cotton.

## What You Can Buy for 2 Cents.

Box Mourning Pins.  
Box Invisible Hair Pins.  
Lead Pencil.  
Pencil Eraser.  
1-2 Dozen Long Hat Pins.  
Hasp and Staple.  
1 Dozen Battenberg Rings.  
1 Dozen Brass Rings.  
Sacking Needle.  
Crochet Hook, Bone or Steel.  
Cake Soap.  
Pair Shoe Strings.  
1-2 Dozen Pen Points.  
Can Opener.

Men's Jersey Fitting Unerrwear, the 75c kind, Our Price only 50 cents.  
Men's Fleeced Underwear, the 65c kind, Our Price only 48 cents.  
Men's Work Shirts, 43cts to 47cts. These shirts are actually worth 1-3 more.  
Men's Coat Dress Shirts. For 50cts we will sell you a regular 75c one.  
President Suspenders, usually sold for 50cts to 65cts, Our Price only 44cts.  
Midget String Ties, a regular 25c Tie, Our Price 12cts. All colors.  
Men's Cravenette Over or Rain Coats, Prices from \$8.75 to \$10.50, worth almost double our price in other stores.  
Men's Pants, \$1.00 to \$4.13, you can't buy them elsewhere for anything like these prices.

Ladies' Oneita Union Suits, regular 75c suits, for 50 cents.  
Ladies' Part Wool Union Suits, white only, regular \$1.25 suits, Our Price 72 cents.  
Counter Day Book, flexible backs, Our Prices 3 cents and 4 cents.  
Linen Collars, the 2 for 25 cent kind, only 10 cents each.  
Scrub Brushes, 7cts and 9cts, can't be bought elsewhere for less than 15 to 25 cents.  
Horse Brushes, Leather Back, regular 35c brushes for 19 cents.  
Whisk Brooms, 25c ones for only 12 cents.  
25 pound Balances, Sargent make, Our Price only 8 cents.  
Crepe Paper, the 2 for 25c kind, Our Price only 4cts roll.

We carry hundreds of little articles you need. You may not see them on our tables, however ask for them.

# The Big Racket Store BARGAINS ALWAYS.

## Standing in the Contest.

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I. O. O. F. 40263  
Library, 251  
RING AND WATCH CONTEST.  
Miss Jewel Logsden 28855  
Miss Nora Gage 23585  
Miss Nellie Turknett 8386  
Miss Rose Whetig 6234  
Miss S. K. Bradshaw 4967  
Ruth Price 2493  
Ora Hale 1795  
Daisy Kaufman 1535  
Miss Allie Chisholm 1498  
Evelyn Welch 1283  
Ruth Brainard 1259  
Rachee Dunaway 991  
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  
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. Fletcher, R. R. Beatty, Artesia Advocate and E. N.

Skaer. Voting box at Redford & Mann's Drug Store.

## A Smile in Order.

After all, it is a message of good cheer that 1908 brings to the Pecos Valley. Every indication now points to a bumper fruit crop, there will be plenty of water at Carlsbad and from the Hondo reservoir, work has begun at Antelope basin and its reservoir will be in shape for the spring planting, and all over the slope the agricultural movement will be more positive than ever before. With all of these natural resources are the added facts that we will certainly have another railroad before the year of 1908 passes, and quite possibly statehood. With all of these things at hand, there should be nothing but the happy face seen in the Pecos Valley from now on.—Roswell Register Tribune.

## 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.

## Progressive Dominoes.

Miss Addie Coll was hostess to a small party Saturday evening, the entertainment of the evening being progressive Dominoes. The rooms and tables were arranged very artistically and Miss Coll's skill as a hostess was complimented. A prize for ladies and one for the gentlemen was awarded. The former, a dainty china plate, went to Miss Hilyer and the latter, a burnt-wood box, to Mr. Harrel Attebury. Consolation prizes, boxes of home grown peanuts, were given Miss Bishop and Milford Attebury.

Mrs. Coll and Miss Addie served cake and jelly with whipped cream and nuts, besides the young people of the Coll family, these took part in the games, Misses Bishop, Misses Alice and Mattie Attebury, Miss Clara Williamson and Miss Hillyer, Messrs. Milford and Harrel Attebury, two Mr. Bishops and Mr. Hilyer.

1100 Fine shade trees, Locust, Maple, Elm and Sycamore, 1 to 2 inches in diameter.

At Artesia Nursery.

For quick and good work go to Artesia Machine Shop.



LETTER FROM MR. LOVE.

A Well Known Citizen of Carlsbad Has Some Kind Words for Fair Artesia.

Carlsbad, N. M. Dec. 31, 1907  
Editor Advocate,  
Dear Sir,

It was my privilege to spend Christmas at Artesia. It had been two years since I had been there, the changes I saw in town and country were marvelous. A lot of 3000 young apple trees, not yet planted, are now a fine young orchard with fruit buds on many of the trees. The growth of the young stock in Mr. Highsmith's nursery must be seen to be fully appreciated. I was shown a five acre tract of alfalfa from which had been sold \$500 worth of alfalfa hay. It is the shipping out of all kinds of produce and shipping in the money which makes a town or country financially prosperous. The reverse of that brings poverty and stagnation.

It was a pleasure to see so many nice, comfortable churches. It is to be hoped that a pure Gospel and the atoning blood of a Sinless Sacrifice be always preached in these sacred places, and the members earnestly strive to live the Christ life, "Righteousness Exalteth a Nation (or a town) but sin is a reproach to any people." You have but two saloons, but why that many? Is fair Artesia in need of cold and hunger, rags and ruin, broken hearts and broken heads? Is it?

It is a satisfaction to have you back on the Advocate, there will now be something doing all along the line. In reading your articles on County Affairs I am reminded of a menagerie. I believe there is a person whose duty is to stir up the animals. Editor Talbot holds that position in the Democratic Menagerie of Eddy County. From the noise and confusion which we see and hear, it is plainly evident that he is performing his duties to the entire satisfaction of all concerned.

Respectfully,  
Robert P. Love.

The Mysterious Mr. Bob.

That play pulled off last night for the benefit of the Library, filled the church and entirely captured the audience. The Presbyterians had generously offered their building and an ingeniously arranged stage and dressing-rooms served the purpose right well for such a "hall-less" town as ours. The play itself was so well carried out that small attention was paid to its cramped setting. There was absolutely not a weak character in the whole performance. Strangers among us expressed great surprise at our home talent but of course we knew what to expect when we went. The old aunt with the cat hobby, Miss Ross, the cousin who loved to joke by Miss Eggers, Mr. Bob who was a nautical girl by Miss Childress; the stage struck maid by Mrs. Skaer; the yacht racing, accommodating Cousin Phillip by Mr. Nimitz; the matter-of-fact butler by Prof. Botts; and the much mystified and badly im-

posed upon Mr. Brown by Mr. Looney and who had the sympathy of his entire audience—all these were admirably played. The farce itself is a good one with no touch of melodrama and abounded in scores of laughable situations and clever dialogues. The affair was managed by Mrs. Jo Jacobson and it is quiet evident she understood her business. Mr. Nimitz' solo was a great hit.

The play was preceded by a song by Mrs. Olin Ragsdale who is always a favorite. Between the halves of the farce there was thrown in the "So Long Mary" chorus by Mrs. Corbin and the chorus of young ladies and gentlemen which was as well received as when given at the musicale lately.

The gross receipts of the play were \$61.00

The Dayton Echo's idea of asking the voters of Eddy county to get together and pledge themselves to support a non-partisan ticket for county officers is not a new one and has no particularly bad feature—outside of the fact that the overwhelming Democratic majority in Eddy county renders such an idea impracticable and absolutely futile. It is an idea that the Republicans of Eddy county have been urging every two years since the county was organized and will continue to agitate as long as the Democrats are in the majority. It is the same old bait that has been held out to catch the unwary Democrat for lo, these many years, but the editor of the Advocate will donate a new hat to the man who ever heard of the Republicans agitating a non-partisan ticket where they had a good safe majority over the opponents. Even if the Democrats of Eddy county did not know the little game the Repubs are trying to work, they have sense enough to know that the scheme cannot be made to work. The Democratic primary is unquestionably the election in Eddy county and there is no way under high heaven for a Republican to get his name on the Democratic ticket unless he renounces his party allegiance, and that he is not going to do. The idea of getting several thousand Democrats to quit the party to humor a few hundred Republicans is hardly reasonable. It can't be did. If those Republicans who are wanting a non-partisan ticket so bad are really patriotic—instead of being merely pie-hunters—they will be glad to do the only reasonable thing, help the Democrats with the house-cleaning. The Advocate knows there are numbers of conservative Republicans in Artesia who will be only too glad to join with the Democrats in a united effort toward reform in county government. Despite all that may be said, they all know there is only one way and if they keep silent or block the reform movement inaugurated by the Democrats they and they alone will be responsible for the failure, if there is a failure.

W. O. Maupin, of Shelbina, Mo., who owns property near Artesia is in the city this week, looking after his interests.

MORE TROUBLE FOR JIM.

The New Owner of The Old Water Works Stock to be Dealt Some Misery.

Our lengthy friend, James Nelson, who recently fell heir to the old waterworks system, is going to have troubles that only the rich can enjoy. Rockefeller and Heinz are not the only turtles in the tank, by any means. When the owners of the permanent water-rights met last week and decided to ask for a receiver for the business of the old company, those present thought they knew what they wanted and another meeting was called for Thursday night of this week, when further details of the action were to be attended to. Those who came together this week, were not the same as met last week, it seems, and they had different ideas to suggest. After labored and not altogether uninteresting discussion, it was determined that there was a way of finding out who is actually in charge of the affairs of the Artesia Water, Power and Light Company's business, and that way is to enter criminal complaint against Mr. Nelson, who claims to have recently bought out the interests of Messrs. Hodges, Denning and Cottingham, for letting the water from the original well run to waste contrary to law and the interests of those who have bought rights therefrom. Accordingly, J. B. Atkeson was employed as attorney to push the prosecution immediately and cash was subscribed by those present to pay him for his services. It was the sense of the meeting that the necessary papers be served immediately, and it is more than likely that Mr. Nelson will do one of two things—assume all responsibility and pay fines for every day the water is wasted, or else get off the perch and tell who is the real power behind the throne.

Notice For Publication.

DESERT LAND, FINAL PROOF, United States Land Office, Roswell, New Mexico, January 8, 1908.  
Notice is hereby given that Abram L. Norfleet of Artesia, Eddy County, New Mexico, has filed notice of intention to make proof on his desertland claim No. 1389, for the NE1-4, Sec. 23; and NW1-4, Sec. 24, T. 16 S., R. 25 E., before Albert Blake, U. S. Court Commissioner at his office in Artesia, N. M., on Wednesday, the 19th day of February, 1908.  
He names the following witnesses to prove the complete irrigation and reclamation of said land: James H. Beckham, Jr., William Crandall, John W. Price, James W. Foster, all of Artesia, N. M.  
Howard Leland, Register.

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 W1/2 NE1/4, and E1/2 NW1/4, 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.

Lew Wallace Club.

The members of the Lew Wallace Literary Society met yesterday afternoon in their regular weekly meeting. Following the usual business came the election of new officers, the officers are: Theodore Martin president; Abbie Blakeslee vice president; Edgar Williamson secretary and treasurer; Sara Owen program secretary; editor for Pecos Valley News Estelle Mauldin; editor for Advocate Ruth Brainard. After the election of officers the following program was given,  
Recitation "Life in New Mexico" Alfred Coll.  
Recitation "How to Propose in Leap Year" Lotta Ferson.  
Essay "Sleepy Hollow" Reed Brainard.  
Essay "American Bison" Harrel Attebury.  
Recitation "The Book-Agent Beats the Bandit" Eloise Wagner.  
Impromptu, "The Work of Secretary-Treasurer" Fred Brainard.  
"My Hunt Across the Pecos" Eben Coll.  
"Sleeping in a Claim Shack" Fletcher Owen.  
Debate Resolved That Nature is More Beautiful than Art. Affirmative leader Olive George Edgar Williamson, negative leader Bertha Motts, Connie Horner.  
After a very interesting address by the retiring president the meeting was adjourned.

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.

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.

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C. L. Ballard has announced for election to the office of sheriff of Chaves county.

J. A. Graham, secretary of the Chaves County Board of Horticultural Commissioners, came down from Roswell Sunday and inspected the nursery stock of the Artesia Nursery. He gave his official certificate saying that he found the trees free from any kind of disease or blight whatsoever.

A friend of the Advocate, in speaking of current subjects, makes the observation that in his long life he has noticed that there is only one thing that will attack the body of a skunk—the buzzard. It is so permeated with the odors of its own superior article of filth that the odor of the skunk is as perfume to its olfactories.

The Pecos Valley always welcomes a live, hustling real estate agent, for we know that without everlasting talk and work of the real estate men this valley would be today a dreary waste of gramma grass and sand, instead of alfalfa fields and fruit. A great many people from a distance who come into the valley prospecting would avoid a real estate agent as they would a leper, yet, if they knew the truth about the situation they would hasten to get in connection with him as soon as possible. The man who comes to the valley and goes up against the street pikers and the man who has a "good piece of land of his own for sale" is the prospector who buys the gold brick. Nine out of ten of the curbstone boosters who brush up against the stranger in town has some worthless piece of dirt outside the artesian belt he wants to get rid of and can't get a real estate man to handle it and represent it as first class. The reputable real estate man in business in the Pecos Valley today will not recommend and consequently they have incurred the opposition of the unscrupulous persons who have no reputation to lose, and to whom a little piece of money looks big. The real estate man must of necessity know where every real bargain is located—for the land owner who must sell for any reason, hastens to tell his troubles to the real estate agent, just like the sick person tells his trouble to the doctor. The prospector who deals with him gets the advantage of all the information he can give, while if he chooses to take up with the irresponsible booster a wrong impression is bound to be obtained. Artesia has many real estate men whose words are as good as their bonds and they are in a position to do the homeseeker a world of good if they come to them in a fair and candid manner.

**AN ACT OF INFAMY.**

**Would Violate Law in Order to Injure the Taxpayers of Artesia Country.**

The fact that the Board of Commissioners of Eddy county is maintained for two purposes only, viz: the perpetuation of a sinking dynasty at Carlsbad and the despoiling of the northern end of the county—has been patent to the people of Artesia all the while, but the conclusive and positive evidence was not forthcoming until this week. No one, not even the court—which is composed of Allen Heard and himself—will take the trouble to deny the proposition any longer. Mr. Turknett, the member from this end of the county, has proven himself a patriot and a fair-minded gentleman, but the other members of the body have surrendered all rights they may have had as conscientious public officials. Mr. Heard is perfectly willing, apparently, to assume all responsibility. The other member from the south end of the county is simply an echo whose evident weakness should absolve him from any blame for doing anything at any time. It is simply a question of Polly wants a cracker with him—and Heard seems to have the supply of crackers cornered.

Artesia's need of a bridge across the Pecos brought about the exposure of the official perfidy. The reasons why we had to have another election was set forth in the Advocate a few weeks ago. The statutes of New Mexico makes it obligatory and mandatory upon the board of commissioners that where as many as two hundred property tax payers petition for an election on the voting of bonds for bridge building, the election SHALL be ordered. It does not say this shall be done at the discretion of the court. The people are supposed to know what they want and it is the duty of the court to give them the opportunity to express their desires. When Artesia presented a petition to the court Monday, signed by 264 taxpayers, asking for the privilege of voting on the question of a bridge, there was nothing left for the court to do but grant the petition. But did it do so? Not much. The people of Carlsbad presented a request to the court asking that Artesia's request be not granted, as they knew that when a bridge is built across the Pecos the plains trade that now goes to that village will come to Artesia as a matter of preference. No such petition is recognizable under the law, but that made no difference to a court that knows no law and is apparently proud of it. Artesia's petition was presented by Attorneys Atkeson and McCrary. Commissioner Turknett voted to allow the election. Heard said "no" and Weaver promptly parroted.

The fact that they were absolutely violating the law, made no difference to Weaver and Heard. The sacred institutions of the county seat must be preserved, if the expressed desires of the taxpayers were trampled upon.

As private citizens, the two

commissioners have a perfect right to exert all the narrowness and meanness of their natures, and the Advocate will not attempt to accomplish the reform that the Lord has so signally failed upon, but as public servants we had every reason to believe they could get above personal animosities long enough to do justice by the people who pay them wages. It is plainly evident that the gentlemen have no regard to the dignity or honor of their position, and it is nothing but right and proper that they be compelled to do their duty as public officials or get out of the offices. There is a law to that effect, and it will probably be invoked. They knew the law and did it not. Even the clerk of the court, who signed the petition against Artesia bridge, reminded them that there was no way to avoid doing their duty under the law, but his advice and that of two attorneys present was ignored. Now, the commissioners become common law-breakers and should be dealt with accordingly. They deserve sympathy from no one and will not get it. There is not a fair-minded man in Eddy county (whether he is in favor of the bridge or not) but who insists that the people have the right to vote upon any measure effecting them—that they, and not the court, has the right to say what is good for them. No man, in any portion of the county, has a right to his vote under such a rule and every one should unite in an effort to get rid of the men who insist in running things to suit themselves, regardless of public welfare.

A private letter from Delegate Andrews to the editor of the Advocate received Tuesday, says New Mexico's representative in Congress expects to be able to get the statehood bill through at least one of the houses this session of congress and possibly both. At any rate, he will do every thing in his power for the success of the measure and the people at home may depend upon it. While but few people expect a consummation of our hopes so early, we have the one encouraging feature in the fight—sublime faith and energy on the part of Mr. Andrews. By faith, the walls of Jerico were made to tumble and from that day until this faith has proven a telling weapon in any fight.

**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

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Spring term will commence about the first week in February. It will continue four scholastic months.

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**A Wonderful Specie of Alfalfa Discovered.**

Upon the request of R. H. H. Burnett, the Agricultural department at Washington sent different varieties of seeds for testing. These were placed in my hands for testing. Although I came here too late to test them all, I sowed three different varieties of alfalfa, as I considered anything new in the line of the greatest forage plant in the Valley deserved thorough trial.

I sowed on May 5th three plats of alfalfa. Plat No. 1 was seed from alfalfa raised without irrigation in Kansas. Plat No. 2, seed from Turkestan alfalfa. Plat No. 3, seed from Arabian alfalfa.

Water was applied and all came up and did about alike for three weeks, but in four or five weeks the Arabian began to far outgrow the rest, and in just 65 days the Arabian alfalfa was nearly knee high and began to show a few blossoms. It was then cut and made a light crop of hay.

Plats Nos. 1 and 2 were way behind and were not clipped until two weeks later, and made very little hay.

At the end of the season the results were as follows:

Plat No. 1 made one clipping and two light crops of hay.

Plat No. 2(Turkestan alfalfa) made one clipping and one light crop of hay,

Plat No. 3(Arabian alfalfa) made one good clipping, or light crop, and three good crops of hay.

The Turkestan did the poorest of all, but the Arabian proved to be the most wonderful yielder I ever saw and yielded more than twice the amount of hay that either of the others did. If it proves as superior the second year as it did this year, it will be the most valuable crop for the Pecos Valley that can be planted. I will endeavor to describe its growth as follows:

It is a much larger alfalfa than the ordinary and grows very much more rapidly. It is very vigorous, has coarser stems, and the leaves are nearly twice as large as ordinary alfalfa and are of a velvety appearance. It resembles red clover very much but has bloom like the ordinary alfalfa.

I tested the quality of the hay and find that the horses, cows and hogs prefer it to any other. I have now pastured it and find the cows or horses will hunt for the Arabian alfalfa and prefer it very much even as pasture. It is very tender and juicy and will make fully as good, if not better, hay than the ordinary alfalfa, and I feel sure it will make one-third more hay than the ordinary alfalfa.

I have sent in my report to the government, and requested the department, if possible, to furnish seed enough to sow ten acres, and, if the seed can be bought, to inform me where it can be purchased.

The Agricultural department's description says it is not hardy in the north, but is a very great drought resister and should prove of great value to southern localities. Plats Nos. 1, 2, and 3 were given same care and irrigation, and

I was very much astonished at the results of the Arabian alfalfa. If it proves to continue showing such wonderful growth, it will yield, I believe, one-third more hay than the ordinary kind, as it will yield six or seven cuttings and a larger yield at each cutting, no doubt two tons at a cutting when two years old or over. I shall save seed from this next year, and if I find that it can be purchased of any seed firm I will so report to readers of the ECHO.

Mr. R. H. H. Burnett came and got a bunch of the fourth cutting and thought it wonderful. Mr. Guy Brainard, of Artesia, also saw this alfalfa several times this summer and has made inquiries among seed firms, but has not been able to find any firm who knows anything about it.

The seed is much larger than ordinary alfalfa seed, as is also the alfalfa in every way, and when six or eight inches high it has the appearance of red clover.

The ordinary alfalfa yields such crops in the Pecos Valley that we hardly dare tell our northern friends for fear of being branded as prevaricators. If this wonderful species of alfalfa proves to continue in the same measure as it has the first year, we won't dare mention it at all, but just ask them to come and see for themselves.

J. E. Johnson  
In Dayton Echo.

**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.

Faris Heath came down from Hagerman Sunday to see home folks and reports some very gratifying progress in the beautiful little city to the north of us. The enterprising citizens have subscribed money and work which will be devoted to building a boulevard from Hagerman to Dexter, the same to be well graded and well kept and to be bordered with fine trees all the way. What a splendid idea this is and how much it will add to the appearance of the prettiest valley in the world! Why could not Lake Arthur, Artesia, Dayton and Lakewood get together and bring the driveway on down the valley? Can you imagine anything more beautiful than a broad avenue of shade trees, beside a paved roadway? The people of the several towns would be thus brought closer together and the road would prove a great convenience pending the construction of the electric line that must come sooner or later. Who will be the man to get behind the scheme and push it?

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**Mothers' and Teachers' Club.**

The meeting of this important club was postponed one week, meeting Wednesday, Jan. 8. The program as announced last week was carried out in detail except that a change or so was made in the persons taking part. Every number was interesting and of help. There was a song by Miss Rosa Wetig, "Face to Face," and a reading "The Inventors Wife" by Miss Estelle Mauldin. The papers, "The Teachers Influence," by Mrs. Lockney, "The Home Influence," by Mrs. Patrick, and "The Attractive Schoolroom and Its Surroundings," by Mrs. Elder all contained much food for thought. A regular feature of future programs will be a short Bible reading by the president, Mrs. Owen. The principal point of discussion was as to the method of improving the school grounds. As a practical preliminary, the club is arranging an attractive "Arbor Day Program" to accompany some active work in planting.

The Piano Committee reported \$121 actual subscriptions toward the purchase of the instrument. In addition to this the recent "St. Cecelia Benefit" cleared \$44 toward the fund. The selection of the piano was left to the original committee, Mesdames Brainard, Lesley and Martin, with Mrs. Corbin, Miss Childress and Prof. Daley in addition.

**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.

**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 Alamo-gordo, 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

**Chamberlain's Cough Remedy Benefits a City Councillman 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.



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Mrs. J. H. Messer, of Pecos, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Terrill.

Man and Wife wanted on ranch, wife to do cooking. Apply to Box 116, Artesia, N. M.

Miss Irma Totzek, of Roswell, is spending the week with her sister, Mrs. Edgar McNatt.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Dooley, of Cottonwood, attended the Leap Year ball in Artesia Wednesday night.

T. F. Blackmore, the abstractor, is having plans prepared for a neat cottage to be erected in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. Whitaker and Mr. and Mrs. Dr. Haas, came down from Hope in their private auto yesterday afternoon.

FOUND—A sunburst, at the Presbyterian church after the show last night. Owner can get same by paying for this notice.

Mr. and Mrs. Judson G. Osbourne will spend the coming month with Mrs. Osbourne's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Craven, at their suburban home.

Mrs. E. A. Cox, of Lakewood, spent several days in Artesia last week the guest of her

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Messrs. J. D. H. Reed, J. B. Enfield, F. E. Turner and Wilbur Kemp left for the plains on a hunting trip Tuesday morning, but got their vehicle wrecked east of Lake Arthur and had to return two days later.

Messrs. G. R. Larson and Henry C. Haynes, postoffice inspectors, came in yesterday and examined the affairs of Artesia's postoffice. The gentlemen made a very flattering report indeed, saying that Artesia's postoffice is the best kept office they have examined, and they cover a territory composed of six states.

The Advocate reporter was considerably chagrined Tuesday when he found out that one of our popular young friends had stolen away last week to Hagerman and been married and we never heard of it. Nary a piece of wedding cake did we get. The groom was Will Watkins and the bride Miss Mary Crisler. They returned home New Year's day and have gone to housekeeping on Texas avenue. At this late date, the Advocate wants to assure the young folks that they have the very kindest wishes of all Will's friends in Artesia. There is no more industrious or deserving young man in the community than Will Watkins and it is a pleasure for his friends to hear of his good fortune.

Miss Bertha Motts entertained her young friends Wednesday night with a leap year party to which the young gentlemen were escorted by the ladies. Those present were Misses Abbie Blakeslee, Grace Baughman, Etta Haines, Bertha Speck, Laura Lynn, Pearl Lawrence, Pearl Wiggins, Ruth Brainard, Bessie Foy, Lotta Ferson, Sara and Margaret Owen, Grace and Nellie Crum, Texa and Olan Acord and Messrs. Mohler Temple, Noble Brainard, Fay Linell, Fletcher Owen, Edgar Williamson, Reuel Crandall, Charlie Kuykendall, Thornton Ferson, Warder White, Merle Allen, Rudolph Knowles, Willie and Worley Lynn, Ammie and Eugene Clayton.

Another real estate firm has cast its banner to the breeze this week and will help along with the good work of boosting the Artesia country—and there is no good reason why they should not make full hands at the business, for each of the gentlemen have been here a

long while and have given the Valley fair trial. The firm is Gilbert, Collins & Hayden, composed of S. W. Gilbert, J. R. Collins and S. R. Hayden. Mr. Gilbert has been farming near Artesia for the past four years and Mr. Collins nearly as long and have each made a success of the effort. Mr. Hayden has been with the Farmers' Land League and is a good immigration getter. The firm is absolutely dependable and will do the Valley much good.

The cotton gin, Florence, has made a fine record for the season of its operation and is still busy ginning the last of the season's cotton. Between 275 and 285 bales have been turned out to date and it is estimated that the number will reach 300 before the crop is bailed. These 300 bales have all been raised on as many acres of land, which makes the average one bale to the acre, an unusually good one, and that, too, in the face of a scarcity of water during the past growing season. The report from Texas is that the yield there was light this season, averaging from a quarter to a half bale per acre. It is the intention of the cotton growers of this section to increase the average of the cotton crop next season sufficient to warrant the operation of a gin in this city also, and thus avoid the expense, time and trouble of hauling cotton to Florence.—Carlsbad Argus.

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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.

The Cecil Claytons Entertain.

One of the most pleasant parties of the winter thus far was the one arranged by Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Clayton at their pretty new cottage on Richardson. This was given Thursday evening and was complimentary to their young brother Ammie Clayton. That young gentleman helped play the host in a very tactful manner and made himself useful in a thousand ways. The little home was filled with the guests who were all of the jolly school boy and girl type and the games played till a late hour were moving parlor frolics in which each one could help.

Ammie Clayton with his mandolin, Cecil Clayton with his guitar and Clarence Wilson with his violin made some excellent music. Mrs. Clayton served cakes and cocoa and the boy guests provided fruit and candy. The following list of guests has been handed in:

Misses Abbie Blakeslee, Ruth Brainard, Bertha Motts, Berenice Temple, Estelle Mauldin, Rosa Wetig, Laura and Durlay Lynn, Lillian Schrader, Bertha Speck, Pearl Wiggins, Sara and Margaret Owen, Pearl Lawrence, Texa and Olan Acord; Messrs. Ammie Clayton, Will and Worley Lynn, Reed and Fred Brainard, Theodore Martin, Rudolph Knowles, Alfred and Eben Coll, John Gage, Clarence Wilson, Mohler Temple, Kenneth Erb, Ruel Crandall, Faye Linell and Eugene Clayton.

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### HARVEST OF JACKRABBITS.

**Estancia Valley Farmers Garner the Winter's Crop of Long-legs This Week.**

A dispatch to the Albuquerque Evening Citizen says:

There was another rabbit hunt in the vicinity of McIntosh one day this week. The farmers divided into two crowds, the party killing the smallest number of rabbits were to entertain the other crowd with an oyster supper, says the Moriarty Messenger. Postmaster Soper of McIntosh, captured one set of shooters, and Mr. Hull took charge of the other side. Mr. Soper had fifteen men and they killed 300 rabbits. Mr. Hull had seventeen men in his party and they killed 412 rabbits. The Hull crowd was declared the winner. A total of 742 rabbits were killed during the day.

It is said the entire batch was shipped to Mine Host Maxwell, of the Schlitz, at Carlsbad, who was until recently a citizen of McIntosh, and is one of the few men in New Mexico who really knows how to prepare the jackrabbit for table use. The Advocate editor is trying to confirm the latter report, and if it is true, we expect to take up board with J. C. for a week or two.

#### At the Methodist Church.

Presiding Elder J. B. Cochran will arrive in Artesia today for the purpose of holding quarterly conference and will preach at the Methodist church tomorrow.

Laurence Lockney and his cousin Rouse Covey left overland for Phoenix, Arizona, Tuesday, where they will prospect some and secure a homestead each.

### Introducing Mrs. Cravens.

Mrs. Judson G. Osburn made a special occasion of her regular receiving day, Saturday, by affording her friends the opportunity of meeting her mother, Mrs. J. H. Cravens. The Cravens family came here but recently from Wichita, Kansas, and are building a new home on their farm southeast of town. Mrs. Osburn was fortunate in making the afternoon a sort of "house warming" for her tasteful new home as well. Everything was arranged very daintily. Fruit, jelly and cakes were served. Of those invited as listed below, nearly every lady responded, glad of the chance to welcome Mrs. Cravens to her home with us. Mrs. Osburn will spend the coming month with her parents at the farm. The favored ones were Mesdames Gilbert, Ross, Phillips, Clark, Beckham, Skaer, McNatt, J. P. Dyer, Guy Reed Brainard, Clarence V. Brainard, Olin Ragsdale, G. M. Brown, Corbin, Newkirk, Jacobson, Martin, McIlhane Swepton, Enfield, Atkeson, Blake, Frisk, Dunaway, Keinath, Sampson, Sullivan, Blackmore, Coll, Bates, Hilyer, Robert, Bowman, Stull Swingle, Logan, Humphries, Bruning, Galloway, Askew, Friermood. Misses McIlhane Sullivan, Coll, Ralston, Hilyer, Maxwell, Boose, Phillips, Hoffman.

Chickens, hens or springers. Artesia Market.

The three-month-old child of Mr. and Mrs. Frank McCleary died from an attack of whooping cough Wednesday and was interred in Artesia cemetery the day following. The parents have the sympathy of the entire community.

### A VERY FINE WELL.

**Another Artesia Farmer Wears the Smile That Refuses to Vacate.**

About the happiest man in town this week is friend G. M. Brown, who owns a beautiful 160-acre chunk of good Pecos Valley soil three miles south of town. And he has a perfect right to be, for the drillers brought him in a few days ago one of the finest artesian wells in the country and that means that there will be 160 acres of beautiful alfalfa before long where there is today only bare ground. Every inch of the land has been plowed and prepared for the application of water as soon as the well is completed. The well is the best in that neighborhood, flowing about two feet over an eight-inch casing, and goes to prove that if the man who doesn't get a good well here, has only to drill a little deeper for the big flow.

#### Reorganization of Library Board.

On Monday afternoon, Jan. 6, was held the annual election of a new Board of Managers for the Library and Reading room. The judges appointed were the librarian, Mrs. Johnson, Rev. Mathes and J. R. Blair, Mrs. M. M. Inman acting as clerk. The ticket of 25 women was announced last week. Of these, several sent in the request that their names be dropped from the ticket. Two others, it was found, who were not members of the Association had by mistake been placed on the ticket by the committee in charge. As this was unconstitutional, they were withdrawn also and the twelve chosen to be directors for 1908 were declared to be Mesdames Mathes, Turner, Jacobson, Fletcher, Askew, Swepton, Bruning, Lowry, McNatt, Keinath, Cecil and Miss Hess. Great regret was expressed at the withdrawal of some of the very valuable members of former years but they have been such hard and constant workers, none could fail to see the justice of excusing them and shifting the burden and responsibility to others fresh to the work. This was felt to the fullest at the Thursday's meeting of the retiring and incoming board, when a reluctant parting was given to Mrs. J. B. Atkeson and Mrs. Mrs. Edwin B. Kemp, two charter members, and Mrs. S. W. Gilbert who has been on the Board of Managers since the organization of the Library Association. Four members of the 1907 board will serve for the coming year, Mesdames Jacobson, Askew, Lowry, and Keinath. These have, however, all been placed to supply vacancies since the election of 1907, so that the board is virtually new and strong to the work. At the Thursday's meeting nearly all of the combined boards were present. The retiring President, Mrs. Atkeson, delegated the task of welcoming the new board to the treasurer and reporter. The ladies showed her great consideration and gave her a patient hearing. The Secretary, Mrs. Inman gave an interesting re-

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### ONLY ONE WAY.

**The Democratic Primary Will Decide, Says the Progress.**

The Dayton Echo thinks the only hope for Eddy county is to be obtained by putting out a non-partisan ticket, and says that we are under no obligations to go into a Democratic primary. Now we beg to differ with our neighbor, and steadfastly believe that the only hope of reform in Eddy county, or New Mexico for that matter, must come through the Democratic party. And we further believe that it is the duty of every Democrat, and everybody else who wants relief from the present oppression under which we are laboring, to go into the Democratic primaries and fight it out on that line.

The essential principals of the Democratic party are based upon reform and good government, and when was there ever a better time to promulgate these principals than now? Let every Democrat and all others who believe in an economical administration of public affairs, rally to the Democratic call, go into the primaries, and we will eventually win.—Lakewood Progress.

#### Railroad Time Table.

South bound passenger, arrives at 11:40 p. m., local time.  
North bound passenger, arrives at 5:15 a. m. local time.  
South bound local, arrives at 12:30 p. m. local time, on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.  
North bound local, arrives at 9:30 a. m. local time, on Tuesday Thursday and Saturday.

#### AT THE CHURCHES.

**Methodist.**  
W. V. TEER, Pastor.  
Sunday School, 9:30 p. m.  
Preaching, 10:50 a. m.  
Junior League 3:00 p. m.  
Senior League, 6:00 p. m.  
Prayer meeting, Wednesday evening at 7:00.

**Baptist.**  
J. C. JAMES, Pastor.  
Sunday School, 9:45 a. m.  
Preaching, 11:00 a. m.  
B. Y. P. U. 5:30 p. m.  
Prayer meeting, Wednesday evening at 7:00.

**Presbyterian.**  
E. E. MATHES, Pastor.  
Sunday School 9:45 a. m.  
Preaching 11:00 a. m.  
Junior Endeavor 3:00 p. m.  
Senior Endeavor 6:00 p. m.  
Prayer meeting, Wednesday evening at 7:00 p. m.

**Christian.**  
Sunday School 9:15 a. m.  
Preaching 11:00 a. m.  
Junior Endeavor 3:00 p. m.  
Senior Endeavor 6:00 p. m.  
Prayer meeting and choir practice Wednesday evening 7:00 p. m.  
Ladies' Aid Society Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 p. m.

**Catholic.**  
FATHER ROBERT KALT, Pastor.  
Mass at 10:30 a. m. on first and third Sundays. Prayers every Sunday morning at 10:30.

# THIS IS IMPORTANT COME!

A majority of the County Commissioners having refused to grant our petition that an election be held in order that Bonds be voted for building a Bridge; the citizens of Artesia are urged to be present at a meeting at the

**CLUB ROOMS,  
Monday, January 13  
AT 7:30 P. M.**

to take such action as may be necessary to protect the interests of the taxpayers of the northern end of Eddy County.

**Artesia Commercial Club.**

I have for quick Sale 1200 acres water rights for use this year. See me quick.  
E. F. Cooper.



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 Pure Pork Sausage. Phone 37.  
 Pure Leaf Lard, Artesia Market.  
 Joyce-Fruit just received car SALT.  
 Try our oysters. Artesia Market.  
 Joyce-Fruit just received car SALT.  
 Fancy meats at the Artesia Market.  
 Don't fail to try our lard. Artesia Market.  
 D. W. Runyan was a Roswell visitor Thursday.  
 All kinds of chickens at the Artesia Market.  
 SALT, SALT, all kinds of SALT at Joyce-Fruit Co.  
 John R. Joyce was up from Carlsbad Monday.  
 Pure Pork Lard. Our own make. Fletcher's Market.  
 SALT, SALT, all kinds of SALT at Joyce-Fruit Co.  
 Corn fed Mountain Beef—None finer.—Fletcher's Market.  
 Bran, Kaffir chops, oats and all kinds of feed at Joyce-Fruit.  
 And what has become of Miguel during the excitement?  
 SALT, SALT, all kinds of SALT at Joyce-Fruit Co.  
 Bran, Kaffir chops, oats and all kinds of feed at Joyce-Fruit.  
 We do the best work for the least money. Artesia Machine Shop.  
 It is said that Dr. G. Pinnell will move from Dayton to Carlsbad.  
 Clarence Ullery, the furniture man, was down from Roswell Sunday.  
 Kaffir Corn Chops better than bran for your cow at Joyce-Fruit Co.  
 W. P. Riley and Doc Wade were visitors to the city from Hope Tuesday.  
 Kaffir Corn Chops better than bran for your cow at Joyce-Fruit Co.  
 J. C. Wilson, the land man of Dayton, was a visitor to Artesia Wednesday.  
 Apple trees in twenty of the leading commercial varieties at Artesia Nursery.  
 Kaffir Corn Chops better than bran for your cow at Joyce-Fruit Co.  
 We need the money and appreciate your patronage. Artesia Machine Shop.  
 Artesia Lodge Knights of Pythias will install its new officers next Monday night.  
 John S. Major went up the road Thursday on a prospecting trip for home seekers.  
 E. N. Dare, of Dayton, was looking after business in Artesia the first of the week.  
 How about those rubber tires? Let us put you on a new set CHEAP. Artesia Machine Shop.  
 Joe Clayton is this week having a nice apple orchard set out on his suburban tract, west of town.  
 Five thousand Cottonwood trees for sale, any size. Chisholm Orchard and Nursery Co., Dayton.  
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five thousand Cottonwood trees for sale, any size.  
 Messrs. Lee Christopher and Dave Cogdell are figuring on putting in a steam laundry in Artesia in the near future.  
 Remember Sperry & Lukins are complying exactly to the law and ordinance in regard to tapping the city water pipes.  
 Miss Minnie Reude, who has been employed at Beatty's studio for several months, left this week for her home in Missouri.  
 Dave Cogdell is having his cottage rebuilt and added to and the same will be occupied by E. F. Cooper and family, of Dayton.  
 List your property with the old reliable FARMERS' LAND LEAGUE. We are bringing hundreds of prospective buyers to the valley.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Doc Wade and Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Gage, of Hope, attended the leap year dance at the Club rooms Wednesday evening.  
 Dr. Graham reports the advent of a son in the family of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Wingfield, living three miles south of town, Tuesday.  
 For Rent—The storeroom now occupied by Jones Brothers' general store after Feb. 1, 1908. Apply to L. B. Boellner, Roswell, N. M.  
 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.  
 We note with pleasure that the Artesia Advocate under the management of Editor Ibbot is again up to its usual high standing.—Elida News.  
 Mrs. J. R. Creath returned last week from a visit to Texas. She was accompanied by her sister, Miss Bessie Berry, who will spend the winter in Artesia.  
 Hon. W. S. Hopewell, chairman of the New Mexico Statehood League, with his able corps of assistants, has gone to work in earnest, and, if given the solid backing of the people of New Mexico, is bound to get results.  
 Miss Lily McIlhany left Thursday for Dalhart, Texas, where she has been employed as teacher of music in a college. She is a very talented and popular young lady and her many friends in Artesia regret very much to learn of her departure.  
 District Attorney Fullen has rendered an opinion in which he states that the recent issue of bridge bonds in Eddy county is legal, and that the election must be held over again all on account of an error of the county commissioners, which will entail much extra expense. It is hardly likely that the vote will be changed, and it certainly will not be unless the people of the north end of Eddy county go to sleep, which has not heretofore been one of their failings.—Register Tribune.  
**Is Gaining Ground.**  
 In the mean while the salary system for county officials, as first suggested by the esteemed Artesia Advocate, is gaining ground. Practically all of the newspapers in the valley have come out in favor of it, and it is likely that the coming campaign will find it the chief issue.—Register Tribune.

**Setting Trees.**

Fruit and shade trees may be set any time during the winter if the soil is in proper condition for the work. The condition of the soil at the time trees are set has more to do with the success or failure of the trees than does the season of setting. If the land is in good condition in the fall and the trees can be obtained, it is better to set them then than to wait and run the risk of not having the soil in good condition later on. The land should be in a thorough state of cultivation and should be moist enough to work well when the trees are set. If they are in good condition there is no need of watering them.

Trees set in the fall may be a little difficult to protect from rabbits, but they are usually in better condition to start growth in the spring than those that have been heeled in all winter. There are not so many poor trees sold in the fall as in the spring, and for this reason fall setting usually gives better results than spring setting.—Oklahoma Experiment Station Bulletin.

**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.

Ladonia News: Speaking of the meanest man or woman, in our opinion the person who willfully, intentionally and with malice aforethought dispels the delusion in the child mind concerning the identity of Santa Claus is the meanest person extant. What man or woman alive would not gladly turn back to the tender years, when they awaited the visit of Santa Claus with childish glee and great expectancy, and is there any who do not feel a pang of regret at the memory of the time when the delusion surrounding old Santa Claus was dispelled?

The people who dispel youthful illusions as to Santa Claus are the same people who, when they are grown, endeavor to undermine the religious beliefs of people without being able to substitute any consoling belief instead. But these are the people who call themselves intelligent and practical and who mistake an iconoclastic spirit for intelligence.—Dallas News.

**A Cure For Misery.**

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