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## GOT MORE PREMIUMS

**Artesia Apples Take Ribbons at Denver, Colorado, That Were Exhibited by Cecil and Love.**

Messrs. J. B. Cecil and R. M. Love who attended the National Apple Show at Denver with specimens of apples from Artesia, sent back the information that they won two diplomas, two blue ribbons and two red ones, on their Missouri Pippins, Champions and Spitzenbergs. These apples came from the C. A. P. ranch orchard the only matured orchard of any size in this immediate section. This is good news, and shows what products from here can do in competition with the best.

This display of apples carried to Denver, is a part of the exhibit that was at our Alfalfa Festival and also at Roswell Exposition, where it aided in taking the fine silver cup for best display of fruit.

In this last exhibit, there was competition with apples from the entire West, where they are supposed to grow the prize apples and the Artesia product again comes out first best.

Messrs. Cecil and Love are deserving of the thanks of the people here for going to the expense and trouble to take the apples to Denver for display.

These repeated premiums and ribbons for fruit will soon convince the country at large, what we have known for some time—and that is, this immediate section cannot be beat in the world, for the growing of fruit.

## THE BANDITS KILL OFFICERS.

**Leader of Bandits Also Killed and Another Wounded.—Two Escape.**

Deming, N. M., Nov. 20.—A battle that has been daily expected between the various posses headed by the Deming officers and the three outlaws has taken place at the Cross T ranch about 85 miles northwest of Engle. The posse headed by sheriff Dwight E. Stephens, assisted by deputies Hall, Smithers and Simpson came upon the outlaws from behind a ridge of hills. A fierce fight followed in which officers Al Smithers and Tom Hall were instantly killed, one outlaw was killed, another wounded, the wounded outlaw together with the third member of their gang, escaped.

The bodies of the dead officers and the outlaw were taken to Engle by sheriff Stephens and Simpson. The bodies of the dead men were brought to Deming for burial today.

Deputy Simpson, accompanied by another posse is now hot on the trail of the two escaping outlaws. It is thought they will be overtaken before

long, as one of them appeared to be mortally wounded.

Two of these outlaws were the men who held up the jailor at Deming on the evening of November 17th and released one of the inmates, John Sates. Thomas H. Hall, one of the posse that was killed, leaves a wife and five children. Mr. Hall first came to this part of New Mexico in 1884; his home is at Nutt station. He was a prominent cattleman and rancher. He has a brother, W. P. Hall, who resides at Hachita.

Allen Le Rue Smithers has resided at Deming for several months and during this time has been connected with the sheriff's office on various occasions. He came to Deming from Clifton, Ariz. He has a brother living at Deming.

John Greer, the outlaw who was killed in the battle with the officers, has been identified as being the leader of the bandits who held up the automobile last August as it was going from Santa Rita to Hurley. The bandits then supposed that the money to be used to pay off the employes at Hurley was being carried in the automobile at that time.

Greer was also wounded in the battle of Casas Grandes, Mexico, during the recent revolution. Greer, it is said, leaves a bad record and was known as a dead shot with a rifle. In his pockets were found the keys to the jail at Deming, together with a Colt's revolver that was taken from one of the deputies at the time of the jail delivery.

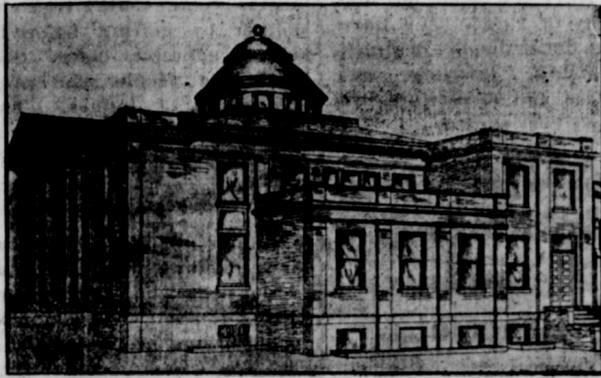
## Artesia College Wins its Case.

(Roswell Record, 21st Inst.)

The suit of the Western College of Artesia against J. W. Turknett, the well known sheep breeder of that locality, on a subscription for \$500, given with numerous others on a paper in which the signers agreed to pay the amount set opposite their names was this afternoon taken out of the hands of the jury by Judge Wm. H. Pope before going to trial and a judgment for the plaintiff was given for the amount of the claim, interest, costs, etc.

The action of the court came upon a demurrer to the effect that the defendant, Mr. Turknett, had made no case. The demurrer was sustained. The court had already ruled out much of the evidence that the defense had expected to introduce. The payment of the subscription had been refused by Mr. Turknett because he considered that the agreement under which his subscription was given had not been lived up to by the college boosters. He says that he gave the subscription with the understanding that the college would be endowed with \$200,000; and that the endowment was never paid.

Notes had been secured from



New Methodist Church nearing completion.



REV. P. T. RAMSEY, Pastor.

## The Methodist Revival.

Is accomplishing a great deal of good among the people of their own church especially and is benefiting the community in general.

Special interest will center in the Sunday services and every effort is being made this week to secure great interest in the Sunday work. Services Saturday both afternoon and night. Announcements will be made Sunday regarding the continuance of the meetings.

## TWO KILLED; SEVEN INJURED.

**Double Header Freights Collide Near Mountain Air, N. M.**

Albuquerque, N. M., Nov. 21.—Two men were killed and seven injured in a head-on collision of two double header freight trains on the Santa Fe road, 10 miles east of Mountain Air, N. M., late Monday afternoon.

The dead: Fireman N. Keith, of Belen. Fireman, A. J. Dougherty, of Clovis, N. M.

The injured are engineer C. H. Napzinger, engineer Pat Maloney, engineer Pierson, brakeman Thorne, fireman Scott, fireman C. H. Schmidt and J. H. Horton, the latter a telegraph operator by the railroad, who was riding on one of the engines. His right arm was severed at the elbow.

The injured who were brought to Albuquerque on a special train are all badly bruised, but the surgeon holds out the hope that all will recover.

The bodies of the dead firemen were pinioned in the wreckage and had not been recovered when the special train bearing the injured left the scene. Fifty freight cars and four locomotives are piled up in a deep cut and traffic will be blocked for 20 hours.

Work is progressing nicely on the new Methodist church, and if kept up at the present rate will be completed in a short while. It will be one of the handsomest edifices in this section.

Mr. R. R. Bennett is acting agent during the absence of Mr. C. O. Brown.

## IS FINALLY STARTED

**Work Has Been Begun on the New Santa Fe Depot—Will be a Handsome Structure.**

The Advocate has several times within the past few months had something to say about the new depot to be built at Artesia by the Santa Fe. Well, the work has finally been begun, and it is a safe bet that there will be no cessation until the structure is completed.

The depot will cost about \$12,000.00, and will be of brick and stone trimmings. It will be exclusively a passenger station, and roomy enough for the future growth assured Artesia.

The railroad track is being torn up along where will be the west side of the depot, so there will be no obstruction in reaching the depot from town.

As has previously been stated, the old depot will be moved and remodeled so as to properly be fit for a freight warehouse. This will also be a great convenience to the business men and freight handlers here.

Stock pens, which this town has never had, and always needed, since it became a station, will be put north of the freight depot.

Ample trackage will also be put in, and in fact, the Santa Fe is apparently going to do a nice job of preparing for the handling of its large volume business, which so far has never been appreciated to that extent.

## Baptist Revival.

The Baptist revival being conducted by Evangelist Wolfe is increasing in interest and the services drawing large crowds. Evangelist Wolfe is a forceful speaker and holds the close attention of his hearers. The singing is improving under the efficient direction of Mr. Woodrow.

## Operation Successful.

Non Walden was taken seriously ill the first of the week with acute constipation, and Wednesday, was carried to Roswell to the hospital.

The news comes here that an operation was performed on Non Walden and it proved successful, and his convalescence is expected soon.

## Special Meeting.

Mass meeting for women at Baptist church Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. All women and girls invited. Special invitation to Club women.

Frank Oliver is soon to leave the employ of Brainard-Corbin Hardware Co. and go to St. Louis to accept a position with that old established house of Simmons Hardware Company. Frank's many friends regret to have him leave but wish him success.

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The Advocate is published twice-a-week, so can better give you the news while it is news. The people in this section have begun to rely more and more on the Advocate for the local news and events of importance elsewhere.

It is an evident fact that Artesia must get some kind of industries. A canning factory would do well here, and provide employment for many people, while products that now go to waste could be utilized.

The paper that does a town good is one with the circulation, and one gotten up in an attractive style and with something worth while in it. The people know a newspaper when they see one. That is the reason they like the Advocate.

With the new depot, the report that a bill of lading has been received for the ties and rails for the new railroad, and a rumor to the effect that the chief engineer of the Frisco system is soon to make a trip



**Our Christmas RINGS**

Have you seen our display of rings. We have the finest display of rings, watches, jewelery, cut glass and silverware, we have ever shown.

**Specialty Rings and Bracelets**

Make your selection NOW we will lay it aside for Christmas if you wish.

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**ED. STONE,**  
The Jeweler.

over the right of way and survey of the San Diego, El Paso & St. Louis railway, we may expect things to get a move on themselves soon.

The vacant houses are being occupied in Artesia until it is now difficult to find a suitable one. There are few vacant store buildings, and business holds up very well, considering the heavy drain to which the people have been put here

in building a city. Better times are just ahead. Watch Artesia grow—it is a habit that cannot be gotten over.

After nine years effort the Chicago meat packers who are in a trust, were about to be brought to trial when a U. S. judge steps in and gives them further time, and it may result in them evading trial altogether by getting before the U. S. supreme court. Still, there are people who oppose the recall of judges. They ought to be impeached is what many of them needs done to them.

In patronizing the Advocate and enabling us to give you a better paper you are only benefitting yourself. A good newspaper brings people here, it also makes better satisfied those who have investments here, and it aids in the upbuilding of the country to a greater extent than any other agency. When a paper like the Advocate does these things for the country and you, it is entitled to your support.

It is generally conceded that Delegate Bull Andrews has a cinch on one of the U. S. senatorships of New Mexico. Well, he is about as good as the republican majority here and that is not any compliment to the majority. Andrews is a gangster and a tool of the trusts. He did what he could to defeat statehood, after the Blue Ballot was provided for. It would not be surprising if H. O. Bursum were not the other senator selected after the several candidates now seeking it, have failed to win. That would make two of a kind—Andrews and Bursum—and would insure a complete democratic victory at the next election.

**Federated Charities.**

A small band of women gathered at the residence of Mrs. Schenck on November 5, 1909, to organize a Federated Charities, Mrs. Millhuff presiding, the officers consisting of a representative from each church.

After struggle of two years, during which time they furnished nurses for the sick, coal groceries and clothing for the worthy, distributed to the amount of \$136.70, they found it advisable during their last meeting, November 3, to disband owing to the lack of interest and non-support by the community at large. With a vote of thanks to the merchants of Artesia for their generous donations during the Christmas holidays of clothing, provisions, nuts and candy which cheered the homes of thirty-one families during the yuletide.

**Royal Arch Masons.**

The regular convocation of Penasco Chapter No. 12, Royal Arch Masons, will be held next Monday night November 2, at 7:30. There will be an annual election of officers for the ensuing year. All companions requested to be present. By order of the H. P.

P. S. Terwilliger,  
Sec'y.

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**Prairie Dogs on Plains Dying Fast.**

[Roswell News]

Is the prairie dog doomed to follow in the footsteps of the buffalo, wild pigeon and Indian, or in other words is the prairie dog, which for so long has been a nuisance to the pioneer farmer likely to become extinct.

Ranchers coming in from the plains tell of seeing numbers of them lying around over the ground, dead, and others appearing to be dull and almost blind.

In Kansas and other states of the west they seem to be stricken with the same disease.

At any other time it is impossible to find a dead dog, outside of a hole, as it is their custom to carry them and bury them in some vacant hole after death.

Whether there is a plague sweeping over the dog king-

dom and threatening to wipe the genus prairie dog out of existence or whether the rains this year have caused some weed to spring up which is causing their death it is hard to say. Certain it is that the farmers are rejoicing in every one that they find snuffed out.

**Happy Hour Club.**

The Happy Hour Club met Wednesday afternoon November 15th at the home of Mrs. H. Baughman. About twenty members and three visitors were present. The vice president Mrs. Hogue presided. After the business of the meeting was discussed the time was spent in needle work, after which the hostess served a most delicious lunch and at a late hour all departed after thanking their kind hostess for a most delightful afternoon. Mrs. McClure will entertain the club Dec. 6th.

**Flannelette  
KIMONAS**



Our New York buyer just closed a deal for a big lot of Winter Kimonas which we have just received. Real values \$1.50 and \$2.50 each. We bought these at such a low figure that we are going to offer them to our trade as long as they last at the low figure of . . . . .

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**THE HOUSE OF  
CHRISTMAS**

If your house or the house of your friend is made warm and bright with the Christmas spirit and the Holiday tokens offered by this store, that house will remain merry with comfort through all the days of 1912.

Think of this, you buyers of Christmas gifts and remembrances, and combine the lasting benefit of service with the beauty your gifts should have. Remember the best gift is the gift that best serves.

You can select gifts from our store that will appeal to every member of the family; an easy chair for mother or father, a dainty table to the sister and daughter, a variety of ornamental and useful articles for the young man's room or den, a gift to the house of a dining suite, a table, bookcase or large rocker for the library and other articles too numerous to mention which you should see before buying your Christmas gifts. It is our desire to help you make this a Merry Christmas.

**McClay's Furniture Store**  
AGENTS FOR  
**Globe-Wernicke Book Cases**



# Public Sale

There will be a Public Sale at the farm of A. H. Maas, six miles north of Artesia, of the following articles: on

## Friday, December 8th, 1911

Sale to commence at 10 o'clock

1 young well-matched bay team, weight, 2600 pounds.  
 1 heavy team of mules.  
 2 lighter teams of mules.  
 1 black Percheron Stallion, 5 years old, weight 1600 pounds.  
 1 young driving team.  
 1 good milch cow.  
 1 extra good farm wagon.  
 1 Davenport (steel) wagon with box and top box.  
 1 wide tired wagon.  
 1 new spring wagon.  
 2 well made hay racks (flat tops).  
 1 14-inch John Deere sulky plow.  
 1 12-inch John Deere walking plow.  
 1 14-inch John Deere walking plow.  
 1 new orchard disc.

1 cutaway disc.  
 1 two row planter.  
 2 Emerson mowers, (one right new).  
 1 Dain mower.  
 1 Dain side delivery rake.  
 1 10-foot Emerson hay rake.  
 1 Auto Faden hay raker with buck rake.  
 1 26-foot Boss harrow.  
 1 18-foot steel harrow.  
 1 Deere alfalfa cultivator.  
 1 Deere hay feeder.  
 1 24x34 foot tarpaulin.  
 4 sets of work harness (one set right new).  
 1 buggy.  
 2 ditch V.  
 Ditch stops and other tools too numerous to mention.  
 Also some household goods.

## Free Lunch at Noon

**TERMS:--**On all sums over \$10.00, credit of six months will be given by purchaser giving a note with approved security bearing 10 per cent interest from date of sale. Five per cent. discount for cash on all sums over \$10.00.

**A. H. MAAS,**

A. C. KEINATH, Clerk.

I. V. WHITESIDE, Auctioneer.

### DYNAMITE DITCHING

The Experiment to be Tried Near Artesia on Dec. 14th.

Roswell, N. M., Nov. 20, 1911. Artesia Advocate:

I have just received a letter from the Du Pont Powder Company setting date for public demonstration in blowing out open drain ditches with dynamite at Artesia on December 14th. I wish you would make this fact known through your columns.

There is considerable drainage work to be done in the vicinity of Artesia which can be more cheaply done by the use of dynamite than any other method. The channel of the Cottonwood needs enlarging for a considerable distance on the lower end clear up to the railroad track, or possibly farther, which is a distance of probably three or four miles, and the lakes on the flat southeast of Artesia, starting at the Sperry and Lukins place and extending down to the Hastie pasture, need a large outlet. Mr. Hastie and a few others of us made a small test of this method of digging ditches in these flats some months ago which was sufficient to convince most of us that this method of construction will be successful, and the Du Pont

Powder Company now come to make a public demonstration and show us more about how to do this work. The company furnish the material and make this demonstration at their own expense, and all they ask of the Artesia people is that they get out and see it and learn how it is done. The exact location nor the hour of the day that this demonstration is to be made is not yet published, and if any one near the city has a place where they would like to have a large drain ditch something not less than six feet wide on the bottom and not less than six feet deep, and in a location where it will be convenient for the public to visit it, it might be well for them to make the fact known either to myself at Roswell or the E. I. Du Pont De Nemours Powder Company, Denver, Colo.

In this method of digging ditches where it is desired to dig a ditch with a bottom width of probably six feet, a row of holes are made along the center line of the ditch, probably two or three feet apart, and a depth approximately equal to the desired depth of the ditch, and these holes are loaded with dynamite according to the fall and dimensions of the ditch desired, and a section of ditch varying from probably 100 feet to one quarter of a mile in

length is blasted out at one time. It is only necessary to put cap and fuse to the charge in one of the holes, usually in the middle hole in the line being used for this purpose. The explosion of this charge of dynamite explodes the charges in the other holes, and in wet ground blows all the dirt and other material to both sides leaving the ditch complete. The cost of digging ditches by this method is usually very small compared to that of any other method and the people of Artesia should take an interest in this work and turn out in large numbers and see what can be done.

Yours truly,  
 Sidney W. Cooper  
 Drainage Engineer

#### New Mexico Artillery.

Roswell, N. M. Nov. 21.—Capt. M. S. Murray, commanding battery A, of the New Mexico volunteer guard, today received orders from major C. H. Clark, at Ft. Sam Houston, to be readiness to move to Ft. Bliss on three days' notice.

One hundred and ninety Roswell young men belong to the battery.

Mr. J. W. Hunt, of Hamilton, Texas, was in Artesia the past week, and favored the Advocate with a renewal on his subscription.

### MUST MEET PEOPLE'S DEMAND

Revision of the Tariff Most Imperative Duty Devolving on Democratic Party.

The charitable doctrine that teaches us to say no ill of the dead does not apply to such a body as the congress which expired by limitation on the fourth of March. Passing over the rest of its mingled record of good and evil, the most important of its acts is the Payne-Aldrich tariff, upon which the country gave judgment last November. So complete and deliberate has been this judgment as to afford the authors of the bill no benefit of doubt on the grounds of popular passion and prejudice. The act was not a relief from the Dingley tariff, which in its breeding of monstrous industrial trusts and its spoliation of the masses of the people had become a national calamity. It requires a long bead roll to recount the predatory combinations that owe their birth to this prolific parent of monopoly, with the steel trust leading the long line.

There was little or no false pretense as to the character and intent of the Dingley act. It was admitted that many of its duties were raised to an exorbitant height with the view of moderating them by reciprocity treaties, which were never realized. The special session of the congress that has gone, which was summoned by President Taft to mitigate the burdens of the Dingley tariff, mocked the country with a hypocritical pretense of performing this duty when preserving all the worst features of that enactment. While a show was made of lowering duties on non-competitive imports and on some commodities competing with products of the trusts, duties were raised to prohibitory rates and in obedience to the combination of manufacturers and sheep growers the barbarous schedule of wool and woolens was left untouched.

Upon the effects of this act, with its direct and indirect influences in grievously enhancing the cost of living throughout the land, and upon the congress that created it, the American people have solemnly pronounced their judgment. After a long reign of protection it will be for the new congress that now comes to life to meet in full measure the popular will that the tariff shall be relieved of its spoliatory features. Of this the action of the Democrats of the house on the reciprocity agreement with Canada affords a cheerful augury.

#### Limit to Pension Expenditure.

The pension bill will carry an appropriation of \$155,000,000, which is a good deal of money. The house of representatives had passed a bill—the Sulloway bill—which would have added probably \$50,000,000 to this sum. It soon became apparent that it could not get through the senate as an independent measure. The president had let it be understood that he would veto it. Possibly the senate itself would have refused to take the responsibility of adding this great amount to our disbursements when there is already a persistent deficit. So the bill was offered as a rider to the pension appropriation bill. Senator Lodge raised a point of order against it on the ground that it was new legislation, and he was sustained by the vice-president. The notable thing about it all is that all the effective opposition to this measure was Republican opposition. For the first time in many years Republicans have begun to see that in the nature of things there must be a limit to the size of our pension bill. It was a Republican president who threatened a veto. It was a Republican senator who made the point of order against the pension rider, and a Republican vice-president who, as president of the senate, sustained it. The people would be glad to believe that this indicates a disposition on the part of our statesmen to exercise greater care henceforth in dealing with pensions. It would be encouraging to know that there actually are limits beyond which congress will not go.

#### To Our Patrons.

On and after this date, H. P. Larsh will have the management of the affairs of the Artesia Light and Power Co., with full authority to act in any capacity and all accounts due for November service will be payable to him as manager. It is our desire to improve and continue good service and we take this method of thanking our many customers for their past patronage.

ARTESIA LIGHT AND POWER Co.

Artesia Advocate \$1.50 a year

### Private Sale.

I offer for sale for the next few days, one team 5 year-old mules; two mares; two chestnut sorrell fillies (my match team) two colts; one year old past; one house tent and a few pieces of choice furniture.

We also offer our farm tools at a bargain.

A chance of kaffir corn in bundle at \$6.50 per ton and maize \$13.00 delivered.

Call or phone H. R. Duke or W. K. Strother.

Subscribe for the Artesia Advocate only \$1.50 per year. Send it to your friends back East.

### Notice of Sale.

Notice is hereby given, that, whereas in the District court of the Territory of New Mexico, Fifth Judicial District, sitting in and for Eddy county on the 2nd day of Oct., 1911, in a cause therein pending in which Alexander Ault was plaintiff, and Claude W. May, Grace T. May, G. A. Beeman and A. A. Luther were defendants, said cause being No. 1406 on the docket of said county, a decree was rendered giving judgement in favor of said plaintiff against said Claude W. May and Grace T. May for the sum of \$1659.00, [and costs of suit and sale, and attorney's fees and for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage in said decree described, covering the following described real estate situated in Eddy county, New Mexico, to-wit:—

Lots 12, 13 and 14 in Section 4, and Lot 9 in Section 5, Township 16 South, Range 25 East, N. M. P. Meridian, and

Whereas, I, the undersigned L. A. Keller, was in said Decree appointed Special Master and was ordered and given full authority to advertise and sell said premises at public auction in the town of Artesia, N. M. and apply the proceeds of said sale to the payment of said judgement and costs.

Now therefore, I, the said L. A. Keller, will on the 2nd day of January, 1912, at 2 o'clock p. m. on said day, in front of the State National Bank in the town of Artesia, New Mexico, sell the above described land and real estate at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, and execute to the purchaser a good and sufficient deed therefor, giving immediate possession thereof as provided in said decree.

Witness my hand at Artesia, N. M. this 31st day of October, 1911.

L. A. KELLER,  
 Special Master.



### Excursion

Mineral Wells, Texas, and return \$26.40 on sale daily. Return 90 days from date of sale.

Rond trip all year tourist to California, Iowa, Kentucky, Missouri, New York, Oregon, North Carolina and various other states. On sale on and after December 1st, 1911. Return limit 3 to 9 months.

**R. R. Bennet,**

Local Agent.