

Ohio Oil Co. Well Gets an Oil Sand at 3960 Tues.

Ohio Well Appears To Be Good for 50 Bbls. Natural—May Find Better Pay Below 4000 Foot Level—Maljamar Delayed.

Progress during the past week was greatly delayed in Lea county due to fishing jobs on seven of the tests, three of which were scheduled to pick up the pay. After drilling into a sand at 3800 feet the Maljamar Oil & Gas Corporation's No. 1 State well was forced to do some under-reaming to lower the 6 5/8-inch casing which had failed to completely cut off the big gas at 3116 feet. When the crew attempted to come out of the hole with the under-reamer they found it would not re-enter the pipe and as a result they are now pulling this string of 3200 feet. Three flows were made by the Maljamar before the pipe was pulled. The Ohio Oil Co., No. 1 on the E. Mitchell permit in sec. 18-17-32 was delayed for several days on account of a lost string of tools and these were recovered Tuesday and after drilling a few feet the bit went into a sand at 3960 feet which appears to be good for fifty barrels natural. This well now appears to have an excellent chance of picking up the Maljamar pay the next sand being looked for at around 4010 feet. Several days fishing was done, on the discovery well during the early part of the week the rods having started around 2000 feet. This wildcat has been producing at the rate of 135 barrels daily according to E. Baish.

The No. 1 on the Grace Mitchell permit in sec. 5-17-32 is trying to recover a broken stem at 3660 feet, having been run on for several hours. It is believed the hole will be cleaned by tonight.

To the west of this well the Prairie Oil & Gas Co. have resumed drilling on their No. 1 Keel after a week's fishing for two 12 1/2-inch under-reamed lugs dropped at 800 feet.

The Cap Rock Oil & Gas Corp., after fishing for three weeks on their No. 1 in sec. 11-16-32 have moved cable tools back on the job and it is believed they have side tracked the 4-inch pipe and fish tail that had been holding up the progress on this hole.

A lost bailer in the Wooley-Jones No. 1, McIntyre permit well in sec. 17-30 was recovered after twelve hours fishing and drilling resumed. The bottom of the hole is now below 1300 feet having passed out of the salt at 1177 feet. This puts it approximately 198 feet higher structurally than the No. 1 on the Beem permit, two miles to the south. The latter is drilling in hard lime taking about three feet a tour with the bottom of the hole 3445 feet.

Good time is being made on Henderson-Dexter-Blair's No. 1 Wyatt permit in sec. 32-17-33, Jim Berry having the hole to 3200 feet. Near the town of Pearl the Exploration Co. have spudded their No. 1 Henry record in sec. 25-19-35 being down 900 feet. It is reported that work has been resumed on the Covert et al No. 1 in sec. 15-21-33 at a depth of 960 feet. The crew are drilling through a string of parted 12 1/2-inch casing which they have been unable to pull.

To the east of Carlsbad the Ohio as spudded in their No. 1 Workman permit on the Marland block in sec. 22-29, this being located on a large structure that makes it one of the most interesting wildcats in the state.

To the west of the Artesia pool Eaton et al are preparing to shoot their No. 1 Brainerd permit in sec. 18-27 from 1850 to 1880 feet. A shot of 200 quarts will be run Saturday. To the south of this well Oscar Howard is rigging up on his No. 1 Etz in the NW corner of the W of the SE of sec. 11-18-27. The Lackawanna Oil & Gas Co. have closed a contract for a well in the NE of the SE of sec. 17-16-27, this being a half mile south of the No. 1 commonly known as the wind well. The new location is a structure worked out by Wm. Cheney and checked by Paul Whitney of the Sinclair and J. D. Sedley of the Barnsdall Corp.

Woodstock typewriters for sale—Artesia Advocate Office.

SPEAKERS TO ADDRESS MEETING IN INTEREST OF DIVERSIFICATION

Of special interest to the farmers and townspeople is the agriculture diversification meeting to be held in the building across the street from the Busy Bee Cafe, under the auspices of the Artesia Chamber of Commerce. Prominent speakers have been secured for the occasion and you may be assured of an interesting as well as an instructive talk by some of the foremost exponents of the Cow, Sow and Hen movement, which should have a special appeal to those interested in the agricultural development of this section.

Among the speakers to appear are: Prof. J. D. Tinsley, agricultural agent of the Santa Fe, Claud Simpson, secretary of the Roswell Chamber of Commerce and the agricultural agent of Chaves county.

Due to the existing conditions among the cotton raisers, we are sure the subject to be discussed will have an unusual significance to all interested and may be the means of pointing the way to a greater prosperity for the farmer during the coming season.

E. B. BULLOCK MAKES APPLICATION TO ERECT BUILDING ON MAIN ST.

Plans to Erect a Building West of Majestic Cafe to Be Known as the Artesia Banquet Hall—Building To Be 25x50 Feet.

E. B. Bullock has made application to the City Council for the erection of a combination concrete and brick building to be located just west of the Majestic Cafe. When completed this building will be known as the Artesia banquet hall and is to be used by the present management of the Majestic Cafe to serve the various organizations over town as the occasion may arise.

The specifications of the structure calls for a combination of concrete and brick and will be approximately 25 by 50 feet in size. If the present plans are carried through, the east walls of the Muncy building will be used, the front, back and east side of the proposed building will have eight inch concrete walls, with a modern plate glass front.

While no definite announcement has been made as to when the construction work will start on the building, it is understood that the contract will be let as soon as the minor details are completed.

Early construction plans made were said to have included the erection of a structure that would permit additions with a view to making the two buildings into a modern hotel, but whether the hotel idea will be carried out is not known at the present time.

TWO NEW FIRMS WILL HAVE FORMAL HOUSE OPENING SATURDAY

Arrangements have been made to have the formal opening of the Sweet Shop, Saturday. The opening has been delayed due to the failure of all of the fixtures to arrive, but all of the furniture and fixtures are now in place and everything is in readiness for the day of the formal opening. The manager, C. O. Gilbert and assistants will be hosts to the public during the entire day. Beginning at 6 p. m. the Artesia Municipal Band has been engaged to furnish music during the evening. A present will await every visitor who comes to the Sweet Shop on Saturday.

E. T. Jernigan, the jeweler is also holding an open house on Saturday. Mr. Jernigan has recently moved his stock of jewelry to the Sweet Shop and has established his quarters on the east side of the building. Mr. Jernigan has a very attractive place, which is made more inviting by the display of holiday goods.

INSTALLS NEW FOUNTAIN

The Palace Drug Store has recently installed an up to date frigidair soda fountain. This fountain embodies all of the late improvements and the refrigeration is automatically controlled, thus insuring an even temperature for all compartments. Forty gallons of cream may be stored in the fountain at one time. All syrups, milk and other accessories used around the fountain are kept in compartments where zero temperature may be maintained if desired.

Advocate want ads get results.

TWO BEST MYTHICAL FOOTBALL ELEVENS ARE SELECTED BY FRED COLE

(By Fred Cole)

As a result of many inquiries concerning the best football player to ever play for Artesia high school, or a question such as "who was the best halfback to play at Artesia high school?" and many conversations concerning players of the past in the gridiron history of the local high school, I have selected the players, whom I believe to be the outstanding player in his position since football first gained prominence in local athletics in 1910. I have received suggestions and aid from other local followers of the sport for the past several years.

Since the beginning of football history in Artesia, there was a lapse of about three years, from 1918 to 1921, that football was not supported by the local school.

Feemster, lengthy center of 1925 is the outstanding man for the pivot position, being a good tackler and a man who could use his head in the game. He is pressed closely by Stoldt for first honors, Rodner, of the 1926 eleven receives mention as a valuable player due to his ability as a kicker, which is unusual among centers.

Horace Smith and Edward Welsh receive first mention as guards. They were consistent players and were great powers in opening the line. "Red" Atkeson and Marvin Jackson were placed on the second eleven. John Simons, although one of the lightest guards in the game was a determined fighter as was Klopfenstein.

"Este" Neff was given one tackle position, while Ted Rowan, known in football circles as "Terrible" was given the other tackle. Greisher and Turknett were also outstanding tacklers during their football career. The end positions presented some perplexing problems. Landis Feath-

ONE HUNDRED FIFTY YET TO BE VACCINATED

The County Health Officer found on examination there are about 150 school children in school at the Central and Junior High of Artesia and eighty-five in the grammar and Junior High at Carlsbad who have not been successfully vaccinated.

Superintendent Donley had a list of the names in the Carlsbad schools and notified their parents. Superintendent Reid has been supplied with a list of the Artesia children and is taking steps to get them vaccinated.

All children in Hope, Lakewood, Loving and Malaga have been successfully vaccinated.

The laws of New Mexico say that a child must be vaccinated before he can enter school, unless he has some physical condition that makes vaccination contra indicated.

OIL COMPANY GRANTED CHARTER

The Firm Royalties Co., of Artesia has filed incorporation papers with the state corporation commission. The company will drill for oil. The authorized capital stock is \$10,000 and, according to the papers, all of the 7,000 shares shown to have been taken by the incorporators as well as the remaining 3,000 shares, the latter to remain in the treasury as unissued stock, have been fully paid at par by the conveyance to the corporation interests in oil lands and oil and gas royalties. The incorporators are F. A. Anderson, E. A. Meserve, Shirley E. Meserve, Hewlings Mumper, C. E. Hughes and Baldwin Robertson, all of Los Angeles.

ATTRACTIONS AT THE ARTESIA HIGH SCHOOL

"Clarence," a four act comedy, will be given by the senior class at the High School auditorium, Tuesday evening, December 22nd. A small admission charge will be made and the proceeds of the play will be applied to the Rattler fund.

WILLIAMS AND SONS SELL 1300 CALVES TO W. HIGHTOWER OF TEX.

The largest cattle sale of the season was consummated during the past week when Col. Williams and sons, Sam and Skelt sold 1300 head of calves to Walter Hightower of Seagraves, Texas. Delivery was made on practically all of the calves Tuesday. Eight hundred head were driven to the Texas line and approximately 450 head were loaded out at Avalon pens.

Typewriter Ribbons for sale at The Advocate.

STATE AND COUNTY TAXES WILL AMOUNT TO ALMOST \$9,500,000

The 1925 county tax rolls filed with the state tax commission carried a total of \$9,492,355.06 compared with \$1,933,704.93 for 1924, according to a bulletin of the Taxpayers Association.

The following shows the main classifications of taxes compared for the two years:

1924	1925
State—1924, \$1,394,414.39; 1925, \$1,712,760.44.	
County—1924, \$5,633,417.70; 1925, \$5,634,276.90.	
School district—1924, \$776,758.74; 1925, \$764,020.66.	
Municipal—1924, \$712,466.69; 1925, \$680,763.73.	
Total General Property Taxes—1924, \$8,517,057.52; 1925, \$8,791,712.73.	

State special taxes on livestock amounted to \$77,863.41 in 1924 and to \$64,566.45 for 1925. Other special taxes amounted to \$438,784.01 for 1924 and to \$635,975.88 for 1925. The state special taxes include \$33,783.60 for cattle indemnity, \$30,516.42 for the Sheep Sanitary Board, \$266.44 to prevent the spread of hog cholera. The county special taxes are made up as follows: \$12,564 road poll taxes in four counties; \$18,364.40 for flood control in three counties; \$199,299.97 to meet preliminary expenses in the Middle Rio Grande conservancy district in five counties; \$358.32 for horticulture in one county; \$515.56 levied on bees in three counties; \$85.68 for rodent control in two counties and \$404,737.95 of special assessments in irrigation and drainage districts in seven counties.

Of the total general property taxes for 1925, \$8,791,712.73, there was levied for roads and bridges \$934,390.45 or about ten and a half per cent. It should of course be kept in mind that in addition nearly 1,200,000 was received from motor vehicle licenses and gasoline taxes for expenditure upon roads, and perhaps an equal amount of federal funds was used for highway construction.

By far the largest levies were for educational purposes. For the public elementary and high schools a total of \$4,579,429.94 was levied for 1925 as compared with \$4,505,621.10 for 1924. In addition \$334,682.65 was raised for state educational institutions and for administration in 1924, and \$523,158.54 for 1925. The total levied for education for 1925 was, therefore, \$5,102,588.38 or 58 per cent as compared with 57 per cent for 1924. As in the case of highway maintenance and construction, it should be understood that the amount raised by direct taxation is by no means all that is expended for education. There are other sources of revenue for schools, the largest being the income from the common school and institutional lands, aggregating more than a million dollars a year.

CHRISTMAS SEAL SALE

The Christmas seals are still on sale in both the drug stores and the Smoke House. A special drive will also be made on Saturday. The committee still has a quantity of seals on hand and it hopes to dispose of all of them. Sixty per cent of the proceeds will be kept here and used to buy milk for the underweight children in the Central building, of whom there is a surprising number.

COMMUNITY TREES FOR HAGERMAN AND CARLSBAD

Both Carlsbad and Hagerman have planned community Christmas trees. Carlsbad is making preparations to have the tree on the court house square Christmas eve. Appropriate exercises will be given in connection with the tree. The band will also be asked to play on the occasion.

Hagerman has a similar plan under consideration, but the details have not yet been announced.

Artesia Oil Field Maps, 25c—Advocate

GEO. C. ROBBINS DIES AT CLOVIS ON TENTH OF LAST NOVEMBER

While the announcement has been rather belated, news has been received here of the death of George C. Robbins of Clovis, which occurred the 10th of last month. Mr. Robbins lived in this section for a number of years and is well known by the older residents. Burial was made in Clovis. Other details relative to his death were not received. He is survived by a son, Herman Robbins, who is also known to many in the community.

COLD WAVE HITS HERE MONDAY—IS COLDEST WEATHER OF SEASON

The cold wave, which was reported to be sweeping the west and south-west made its appearance in this section Monday morning, although the change in the weather was not perceptible until late in the morning. The temperature continued to fall and by night the thermometer had dropped lower than at any previous time during the winter. The weather moderated a bit the following day, but continued to be chilly enough to seriously hamper the cotton picking operations.

Live stock is believed not to have suffered to any extent except possibly in the unprotected hills. No losses in the range stock have been reported so far. A slight snow fall was reported north of Roswell Tuesday morning. Snow fell the previous day at Santa Fe, Albuquerque and Clovis.

The storm which moved southward from Canada caused Denver to shiver in the cold Monday. Sun spots were of frequent occurrence in parts of Colorado.

ARTESIA WINS FIRST BASKET BALL GAME OF SEASON HERE FRIDAY

Bulldogs Take the Long End of a 15 to 13 Score From the Roswell Coyotes—First Game to be Played On the New Court.

The Artesia High School basketball team defeated the Roswell High School on the local court Friday evening in the initial game by a score of 15 to 13. It was a hard fought battle and the contest was doubtful until the latter part of the fourth quarter when the locals rung the basket for two goals.

The Bulldogs took the lead early in the game and scored in the first two minutes of the play. They maintained the lead throughout the first quarter and time was called with a score of 4 to 1 in favor of the locals. The ball passed frequently from one side to the other when various players attempted to run with the ball and this appeared to be the most serious offense committed by members of both teams. Despite the fact that the Bulldogs led in the first quarter, they apparently lacked the initiative to carry the ball in the enemy's territory and on near the local goal. Few long goal throws were attempted and the play was confined to passes near the center of the court.

Roswell came back in the second quarter and threatened to tuck the game safely away. A few long goal throws were tried by the visitors, but their efforts in the main proved futile. They emerged with the long (Continued on last page, column 1)

TWO ARE IN HOSPITAL RESULT OF SHOOTING AFFRAY NEAR OTIS

Two men are in the hospital at Carlsbad, suffering from bullet wounds, as a result of a shooting affray, which occurred west of Otis, Sunday morning. Few details connected with the shooting are known says the Current-Argus. The names of the principals in Sunday's affair are Rudolph Wilson and C. Hernandez. Officers have expressed the opinion that a drunken row was the probable cause of the shooting, according to the Current-Argus.

The shooting occurred at the home of Hernandez, near Otis. Wilson first fired at Hernandez with a revolver, the bullet entering the Mexican's abdomen, then Wilson fired twice at Garguez, half brother of Hernandez, but neither shot took effect. By this time the mother of Hernandez was aroused and came to the door and handed Garguez a 30-40 rifle, who shot Wilson through the fleshy part of the hip, but the wound did not appear to be dangerous.

Pending further reports on the condition of Hernandez, complaints have not yet been filed.

BUILDINGS TRANSFERRED

This week a deal was consummated whereby H. Batton exchanged his building situated at 328 Main street for the building now occupied by the Conner Second Hand Store, owned by Lee Vandagriff. The consideration given was not learned. It is understood Mr. Batton will move his stock of goods to the Vandagriff building.

Advocate want ads get results.

Fire Takes Heavy Toll In Carlsbad Business Dist

Fire Originating in Cotton Sample Room Spreads to Adjoining Building and Causes Heavy Loss in Two Buildings.

Carlsbad experienced one of the most disastrous fires in its history when fire broke out in a cotton sample room over the Sweet Shop yesterday morning about 10:30 a. m. The blaze several times threatened to sweep over the two story stone wall of the Sweet Shop and destroy the entire block of business houses. The fire department here expected a momentary call, but fortunately the Carlsbad department was able to confine the loss to two business houses.

The blaze originated in a cotton office, supposedly a sample room, just over the Sweet Shop. Nobody appears to know just how it started. An occupant of one of the offices states that he heard a crackling noise in an adjoining room and opened the door to investigate, when a mass of flames leaped through the open door and soon the entire upper story was enveloped in a blaze. The flames quickly spread to the lower floor, occupied by the Sweet Shop and to the adjoining building on the south occupied by the Peoples Mercantile Company, grocery department. Fire gutted the two buildings and ruined practically all of the contents in each, although a greater part of the bulk candies and a few fixtures were saved out of the Sweet Shop and about \$2000 worth of merchandise was removed from the Peoples grocery.

From all information available, yesterday morning's fire was very treacherous. Firemen would slack their efforts, thinking the blaze was about extinguished, when it would break out afresh in another place. The north wall of the Sweet Shop held, although it cracked and was leaning at a dangerous angle when the blaze was brought under control. A slight south wind proved to be hazardous at times and placed the buildings to the north in the path of the fire, had the blaze gone over the top of the Sweet Shop wall. The building occupied by the Saunders Grocery, north of the Sweet Shop caught several times from flying sparks, but were quickly extinguished by the fire department. The Saunders grocery and building also sustained damages from the water.

TWO FIRES HERE LAST WEEK

Last week proved to be unusually active for the Artesia fire department. Three calls were answered. The first run was made to the Atoka school building. Friday morning about the hour of seven, the truck was called to the Hardwick annex to extinguish a small blaze originating in the awning. Only minor damages resulted. Saturday evening about six, a hurry call was sent from the Yates apartments in south Artesia. A small blaze started from a defective flue, but the fire was soon checked and was confined to a small area. The damages were of little consequence.

HOPE SCHOOLS GET PICTURE MACHINE

The Hope schools have recently installed an up-to-date moving picture machine and electric light plant for the benefit of the school and community. The plant was operated Saturday night for the first time and the initial performance was enjoyed by a large crowd. The Black Pirate was the first picture to be shown on the new screen.

COLD WEATHER HALTS PAVING

Excavation for the curbing work in connection with the paving program now underway has been completed up to Fifth street and much of the concrete has been laid in the curbing forms. A new crushed rock carrier has recently been unloaded, which will be used when paving the streets proper starts.

The cold weather temporarily halted the concrete work on the curbing for a time yesterday, but work was resumed at a late hour this morning.

WANTED—Clean cotton rags at Advocate Office.

Artesia Advocate
The Pecos Valley News and
The Artesia American

Martin and Blocker, Publishers
W. C. Martin, Editor

PUBLISHED EVERY THURSDAY

Entered as second-class matter at the postoffice in Artesia, New Mexico, under the act of Congress of March 3, 1879.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1926

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year (In New Mexico).....\$2.00
Six Months (In New Mexico).....\$1.50
Three Months (In New Mexico).....\$1.00
One Year (Out of New Mex.).....\$2.50
Six Months (Out of New Mex.).....\$2.00
Three Months (Out of N. Mex.).....\$1.50

NO SUBSCRIPTION TAKEN FOR
LESS THAN THREE MONTHS

Advertising Rate on Application.
Resolutions of Respect and Obituaries
5 cents per line.
Cards of Thanks 50 cents.

DISPLAY ADVERTISING COPY
MUST BE IN NOT LATER THAN
4.00 P. M. WEDNESDAY TO INSURE
PUBLICATION. CHANGE OF
COPY FOR DISPLAY MUST BE IN
THE OFFICE ON TUESDAY TO INSURE
CHANGE.

TELEPHONE NO. 7

Do your Christmas thinking early and avoid the rush.
Woman's clothes are so funny, they are almost as funny as the men's.
A man seldom turns over a new leaf until the old one is all smeared.
Let us be thankful all the girls chewing gum are not chewing tobacco.
The millions of germs on money and in kisses never make a man refuse either.
A wise man knows he is acting foolish to fall in love this close to Christmas.
In gambling it isn't the first loss that is so expensive; it's getting it back.
Closed autos are the most popular in winter, while closed mouths are popular the year around.
Be not deceived. While Santa Claus has many agents hereabouts he has no genuine double.
New automobile licenses, income tax payment, Christmas. Isn't December the gay old month?
The reformer should be patient with us. After all, the world's wickedness keeps him on a job.
And we can be thankful shoes are not like auto tires so we would have to sit down when we got a hole in them.

FADS

Every once in a while we hear of some new fad sweeping the country and apparently sweeping some people from their feet. The latest marathon fad is the coffee drinking contest. The other day an Amarillo man consumed seventy-two cups of coffee, outstripping his Minnesota rival by ten cups. However, unless he had a larger capacity than most of us, we don't see how he felt very jubilant after the contest was ended.

SOMETHING TO LOOK TO

Not long ago a speaker in referring to Artesia said that one of the most commendable things he saw about the town was the fact that the residents were like an old maid, they had never given up hope. He could have said many things and still could hardly have been more complimentary. There may be other redeeming features possessed by Artesia to be discussed and commented upon, but remembering that a town is no better than its citizenship, we must look to them for progress.

Many others have commented very favorably on the hopeful and optimistic attitude generally found over the west and more particularly in this section. We have many possibilities to look to in the future and of course it depends largely in the trend of developments as to whether they materialize or not. Many things are now in the making which may bring wonderful changes to the town and community within the next year.

DIVIDENDS FROM OIL

"From a prolonged and trying period of burdensome overproduction of crude oil, which, of course, constitutes its raw material, the petroleum industry has recently passed into a position of balance, or even of slight excess of consumption over production," says W. S. Farish, of the American Petroleum Institute. "On the whole the industry has prospered during the past year, although it has not, even now, attained a position where it can earn an adequate return on its invested capital."

"One factor which handicaps the petroleum industry in its efforts to earn fair profits, is the taxation to which it is subjected. In addition to direct ad valorem taxes, such as are assessed against property in general and against other industries, the petroleum industry in most states pays a special tax on every barrel of oil produced, known as the gross pro-

Today is Always Best

by O. Lawrence Hawthorne

'Twas only yesterday, it seems,
That I was just a little boy
And life was filled with idle dreams
And play. Oh, how I did enjoy
Those happy hours, too quickly sped
Into the past! Soon I shall see
That busy, hopeful youth has fled,
And never can return to me.

Then age will come. 'Tis but a day
Until my final sun will set.
But I shall go with spirit gay
And heart that harbors no regret,
If I live manfully and face
Each golden morning with a smile—
If I determine to embrace
The chance to make today worth while.



© 1925 O. Lawrence Hawthorne.

SMUGGLERS BRING PINK BOLL WORM

Smuggling in seed from infested areas is insisted on by some farmers, so that the problem of keeping down the increase in infestation of pink boll worm is becoming more serious all the time. George R. Quesenberry of the New Mexico A. & M. College says that farmers could keep this infestation down and practically under control, if they would be more careful as to the source of their seed and insist that their neighbors do not bring in outside seed.

Cottonseed should be introduced into a community only on condition that the field where the seed was grown and the gin where it was ginned have been pronounced inspected and free from pink boll worm infestation.

In the majority of instances the infestations that have been found are a result of smuggling in cottonseed from an infested area and planting them in the community. Farmers can overcome this danger if they will produce their own seed or buy from known clean areas. The former method is always the best, as a high grade product can be secured at a lower price.

Farmers wishing to develop their community on a pure seed basis by growing only one class of uniform seed with a uniform staple, should get in touch with their county agent or the Extension Service at State College, where information on or organizing and developing community seed production will be furnished.

NEW BOOK ON PUBLIC UTILITY BUSINESS

The high school students of Artesia have had placed at their disposal, for study purposes, a romantic story of the public utility business, harking back to the days when this entire state was hardly more than an Indian reservation. The story is embraced in a text book prepared under the guidance of three of the West's foremost educators. Copies have just been placed in the hands of school officials here, through the cooperation of the Mountain States Telephone and the Southwestern Public Service companies.

Growing interest in the utility business as a means of livelihood, on the part of high school and college students, prompted publication of the book, though it has been accepted as a text book for history, science and civic classes.

TATTOOED HOGS

The tattoo method of marking hogs, developed by the United States Department of Agriculture, is proving successful at the Kansas City stockyards and its trade territory. Following a trial of approximately six months, R. L. Cuff, livestock commissioner of the Kansas City Livestock Exchange, said: "We have demonstrated to our satisfaction that tattooing is a feasible and practicable method of identifying hogs. When hogs can be driven through a narrow chute about twenty-four inches wide, tattoo marks can be applied as they walk through. One day I saw a packer-driver tattoo a lot of sixty-four hogs in less than three minutes. All tattoo marks were legible on the carcasses."

duction tax. In many states, also, there is a heavy special tax on every gallon of gasoline sold; part of this tax is paid by the industry, although it is popularly assumed that the industry is able to pass it all on to the public. Moreover, the expense of collecting this tax is also borne by the industry. Oil companies generally pay more taxes than dividends, and a number of them pay taxes double the amount of their dividends."



STAR PLAYER OF MICHIGAN

Here is Benny Friedman, captain of the Yostmen, kicking. Friedman is an All-American selection. 1924.

MEAT GRADES DISCUSSED AT RECENT CONFERENCE

In a recent conference held in Denver, conducted by the Bureau of Agricultural Economics, tentative standards for dressed lamb and mutton; slaughter lambs and ewes; and vealers and slaughter calves; were thoroughly discussed by packers, buyers and feeders, reports Dr. Milton Sharp of the New Mexico A. & M. College, who attended the conference.

The grades to be used as a standard are based upon conformation, finish and quality. In case of the slaughter lambs, the meat produced has been the basis for consideration. Therefore, the fleece and weight are not considered in the determination of grade.

There are six grades of slaughter lambs and ewes, and vealers and slaughter calves, as follows: prime, choice, good, medium, common, and cull.

The grade in which an individual carcass will be placed will depend upon the conformation, finish, and quality of that particular animal.

The purpose of this standardization of grades is to establish terms that will be understood by all concerned, and have the same meaning on all livestock markets. Such standardization will help the producer or shipper because when he offers his stock for sale on a certain market and the stock are placed in a certain grade, he knows they would be placed in the same grade on any other market to which he might choose to ship. It will also be helpful to the consumer, as all carcasses are stamped according to the grade they represent. This is not the case at present, however, as meat is often sold as choice and good when in reality it would only grade as medium or common, and the consumer has no comeback unless we adopt some means of standardization of grades.

When a definite standard of grades is adopted and recognized, it will be very helpful and beneficial for all concerned.

GLIMPSSES OF THE PAST

From the files of the Artesia Advocate, December 18, 1914:

Dr. Russell and family are on a visit to Tuscon, Arizona.

Prof. I. N. Corrington went to El Paso Wednesday on business.

John O. Douglass left Wednesday for his new home at Henderson, Texas.

Doc McCormick is making large shipments of chickens and turkeys this week by express.

Ernest Johnson shipped four cars of sheep from Artesia to the market at Kansas City last week.

Dr. White, of Hope will leave for Bisbee, Arizona, to remain with his family until after Christmas.

H. N. Roberts, of Wichita, Kansas, vice president of the Big Jo Lumber Co., was here last week looking after the interests of his company.

HIGH AND LOW

Cotton-producing areas show a variation from less than 100 pounds of low quality cotton to 300 and 400 pounds of high quality cotton per acre, says the U. S. Department of Agriculture. Statistics on milk records in the state of New York show an income over cost of feed of \$31 per cow yielding 3,000 pounds of milk up to \$133 per cow yielding 9,000 pounds.

Appropriate

Hubby: "What kind of a tree shall I get for Christmas?"
Wifey: "A fir tree might help suggest a suitable present for me."

GROEN'S Boot & Shoe Shop

Makers of High Grade Cow Boy Boots

Shoe Repairing while you wait

Joe Bates will shine, clean and dye your shoes

Ladies Shoe Shines a Specialty

322 Main Street

FREE

Go to Dr. Loucks Garage and get one of Henry's Chest Protectors

FREE

TRADE in your old Battery and get a new one that will turn the motor over these cold mornings.

Poultry and Chicks FOR SALE

Large Type Barron Strain White Leghorn baby chicks, \$8.75 per hundred. These are imported direct from Tom Barron. Anconas, Rocks, Reds, Buff Orpingtons and White Wyandottes of leading strains, \$10 per hundred. Young pullets of any of these breeds now laying, \$1.25 each. We pay postage on chicks anywhere and guarantee 100% live delivery. We pay express on pullets on lots of ten or more. Include money order for prompt shipment.

ACME FARMS Vaughn, New Mexico

DO NOT WAIT

Until You Are Out—ORDER COAL TODAY!

Feed, Flour, Coal and Seeds

E. B. BULLOCK

An investment IN LONG TIME service

NOTHING—with the exception perhaps of a collision with a ten ton truck—will send your car to the scrap heap quicker than faulty lubrication.

And nothing will insure longer life for your car than correct lubrication.

That's why it's only good sense to make an investment in long time service by using the oil which rigidly conforms to the lubricating needs of your type of motor.

Polarine is that oil—a clean, pure product which lubricates every moving part. Stands up under intense cylinder heat. Leaves practically no carbon. In brief, gives extra life to your car.

Ask the Conoco man for a Polarine Chart which shows the correct grade for your motor.

CONTINENTAL OIL COMPANY

Producers, Refiners and Marketers of high-grade petroleum products in Arkansas, Colorado, Idaho, Kansas, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Washington and Wyoming



Extra LIFE FOR YOUR CAR and be sure to use CONOCO GASOLINE packed with EXTRA miles



MEAT the Family at the City Market

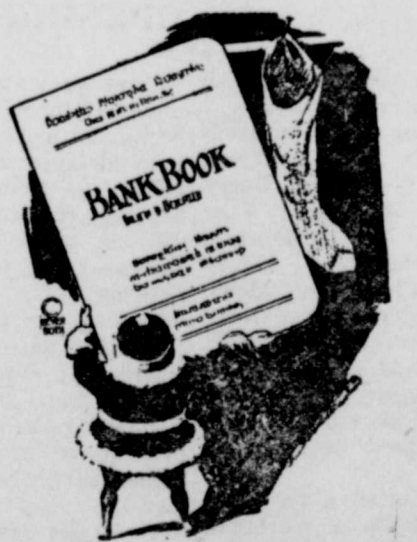
WE SPECIALIZE ON THAT GOOD, CORN FED BEEF

FRESH GROCERIES FOR YOUR HOLIDAY NEEDS

The City Market

Two Phones 37 and 38

FREE DELIVERY



A Book She'll Love to Read

Among the gifts to your wife don't forget one little book that will bring her much happiness. It is a Bank Book. Open an account for her at this bank. She'll like this bank with its facilities for women depositors.

Citizens State Bank

"The Bank of Personal Service"

C. E. MANN, Cashier

WE VACUUM CLEAN ALL CLOSED CARS

HAVE YOUR CAR WASHED, GREASED AND POLISHED

GOODYEAR TIRES

LOWREY-KEYES AUTO CO.

AMALIE OIL

CHEVROLET SALES AND SERVICE

WE HAVE CONOCO AND TEXACO GAS

OUR TIRE SERVICE IS UNEXCELLED

LOCKHART-ALLEN WELL THE FIRST PRODUCER IN TRANS-PECOS FIELD

Lockhart-Allen is classed as first producer in the Trans-Pecos field due to its flowing the past week every forty-eight hours, making between sixty-five and seventy barrels each day. The length of time has been less than an hour, followed by a fill-up, which has decreased with each day.

On Wednesday, J. Fred Carey, drilling contractor set a lead plug at 100 feet, with the hole completely cleaned out. The hole was cleaned out of the seven foot of mud that had filled in following the flow the preceding night of sixty-three barrels.

On Friday night of last week following the six heads of fifty barrels in twenty-four hours, a big flow of sixty-three barrels was made. Forty-eight hours later, another big head was made amounting to seventy-three barrels, and on Tuesday night the third head. Another head was reported Thursday night, but the exact amount has not been received at this office.

All storage tanks have been filled both the Lockhart and the Wheat sections, and new ones are necessary. It is further announced that the Lockhart Bros. are contemplating the building of a pipe-line to Armo, on the Santa Fe railway three and a half miles distant, from the well. The line proposed is a four inch pipe, following the road over the bridge across the Pecos river.

Greater excitement was the news of the Wheat well which had all but 100 feet of tubing removed and on Thursday, flowed two heads of oil amounting to several barrels. Work will be started immediately to clean at this hole and drill deeper, in the hopes of finding profitable production. It has a good gas pressure, and is considered possible of making the greater production.

The Allen well will be tubed in the near future, when the well has cleaned itself out, according to the operators. Its activities have maintained a good production, capable of bettering itself with the small pipe.—Pecos Enterprise.

For Coal Phone 86

HIS ARDOR CHECKED

Two friends were talking about a young man who had just passed them in the street.

"Yes," said one, "he fell in love with a girl at a glove counter. He bought gloves every day for a week, so to discourage his attentions she became a manicurist."

"Then he had his nails manicured every day, I suppose?" remarked the other.

"Just so. But I don't think he will worry her any more."

"Oh, why?"

"She's found employment with a dentist."—Stray Stories.

Here You Are

Prizes are being offered by the Forum for the best short definition of humor. Never was a prize more easily won. We have sent in the following definition, which is alright and water-proof:

"Humor is what the other fellow has no sense of."—Spokane Spokesman-Review.

ONLY 7 DAYS LEFT TO SHOP

BILL THE BARBER SAYS

I JUST HEARD A MAN SAY TO HIS CLOTHIER, WILL THERE BE ANY CHANGE IN MEN'S TROUSERS THIS SEASON? NO, NOT AFTER THE HOLIDAYS

Christmas Parcel for Miss Melinda Package Did Not Contain Expected Ring, but She Became Engaged.

By MARION R. REAGAN

MISS MELINDA BROWN, spinster, had been waiting all year for Peter Moffat to propose. In fact, ever since they had met some two years before, she had felt that Peter could be brought around to take the "big plunge" with her into the sea of matrimony, but things had not gone on so well as she could have hoped. She was sure Peter loved her, but he was an extremely shy man and it required no little pushing to get him up to the point. Several times Melinda thought she "had" him. She had given him every opening by referring coyly to her "own little home—if she ever had one," and to her "lonely life at present," but Peter only sat silent at such remarks, ignoring them completely, or stupidly telling her that after all, many people led more lonely lives than she, and not to be so discontented.

Melinda looked forward to the approaching Christmas season with glee. Surely he would give her a ring for Christmas, after these months of courting. The season advanced and Christmas arrived bringing a parcel from Mr. Moffat and a note sent from Chicago. Melinda's heart sank when she saw the postmark. "Out of town for Christmas. Then it is all off," she said sadly. She glanced at the package—ten inches square—surely no engagement ring in that. Slowly she untied it. It was writing paper. She opened the letter from him and read:

"Just a Christmas greeting, hoping you will write to me frequently. I shall be in Chicago for several months. Sincerely,

"PETER MOFFAT."

Furious, Melinda tore the note into bits. "I shall never look at him again," she breathed. "And after the way I've run after him! But that's been the trouble. I've run after him too much. I shall never write to him. From this out I shall never speak to him again—never speak to him again!" she repeated emphatically.

And Melinda kept her word.

Peter Moffat was growing a little uneasy. Three months had passed and no word from Melinda. It finally became too much even for the patient Mr. Moffat. He felt his temper rising steadily against Melinda. "Thinks she can play a game like that, eh? Run after me while I'm in town and then drop me when I go away. Probably after some other man now." This thought brought crimson flashes of jealousy to the already highly colored cheeks of Peter Moffat. "By George, no woman will make a fool out of me!" he exploded. "I'll go to Springfield tonight and I'll make her marry me. After all these months of courting her, too!"

It so happened that Melinda's cousin, Arthur, who had come from Kansas City was having dinner with her at the hotel the night Peter Moffat came in from Chicago. Peter was hurrying down the street from the station when he happened to look in at the brightly lighted restaurant of the hotel and there—what? He stopped dead still, the evil green monster rising in his breast. It was Melinda with another man! His first impulse was to rush into the hotel, punch this impudent stranger and carry Melinda off with him. But this shyness was stronger than his passion and he only turned away, grinding his teeth and clenching his fists. He would see Melinda in the morning at her house!

The next morning about nine o'clock Melinda was surprised to see Peter Moffat at her door. She began to tremble nervously. "Good morning, Peter," she said to him, and extended a cold, moist hand. Peter grunted.

"I've come to talk to you, Melinda," he said very seriously indeed, and

JAMES BACA APPOINTED ADJUTANT GENERAL BY GOV.—ELECT R. C. DILLON

SANTA FE.—The appointment of James Baca, of Santa Fe, as adjutant general for the next term was announced today by Governor-elect R. C. Dillon in a message to The Santa Fe New Mexican here. Mr. Baca will not be unfamiliar with his position for during the war he was adjutant general of the state and was active in the recruiting of troops. Among the recommendations for Mr. Baca was one from Major General Leonard Wood, governor-general of the Philippines.

Further announcement was made by Miss Lois Randolph, newly elected school superintendent of the appointment of John V. Conway, of Santa Fe, as assistant. Mr. Conway has long been identified with education in New Mexico, his work in the rural district having gained him praise from all sources.

Burton C. Mossman, cattleman at Roswell, has been added to Governor Dillon's staff.

Few Chinchillas Left

The chinchilla, a little rodent of the Andes mountains in South America, has the finest and most valuable fur of all animals. It has been hunted for this fur until it has become practically extinct, though once there were great numbers of the diminutive creatures, says J. E. Gargan in Our Dumb Animals.

closed the door behind him. They sat in the little parlor of the Brown house. "You haven't been playing a straight game with me, Melinda," he began. "I know all about it—you needn't try to explain. I saw you last night, and I've seen you other nights. You have only been using me as a plaything while you've had these other fellows on the side."

Melinda gasped. "Why Peter Moffat, you—you"—she could think of nothing to say.

"I know all about it," he repeated; "I've been watching you. Now all I've got to say is that I'm not a man to be trifled with. Either you marry me at once or you never will see me again. I want an answer right now, yes or no."

Melinda felt as though she had been suddenly hurled into an avalanche. She could not understand what had gotten into Peter, or what he was referring to. She did know, however, with an ecstatic sense of delight that he was proposing.

"I'll marry you whenever you say, Peter," she said meekly.

Peter, feeling greatly triumphant, leaned over and kissed his future wife tenderly. "We'll be married tomorrow," he said.



Christmas Wisdom

You will want to set this Christmas aside as the date when you started your children on the road to thrift and success. A Savings Account is the impetus. This Bank is the guide that shows the way to children.

MAKE OUR BANK YOUR BANK

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

"THERE IS NO SUBSTITUTE FOR SAFETY"

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Bro. A. S. Dowd, from Kentucky, will preach both morning and evening. This man comes to us very highly recommended so come out and hear him preach.

Special orchestra music. Several members of our Community Orchestra will assist in the music both at the Bible school hour and morning service.

Bible school, 9:45 a. m.
Communion and service, 11:00 a. m.
Evening service, 7:00 p. m.

We cordially invite you and promise you a hearty welcome.

Works Coal Mine Alone

William Cope, seventy-eight years old, has a coal mine at Sedgeley, England, which he works single handed. For the last 50 years he has owned the pit and worked it alone, his mine being probably the only one in the world that has never been interrupted by a strike.

ARTESIA DAIRY

The Home of Pure Milk and Cream

PHONE 219

WE GIVE PROMPT AND EFFICIENT SERVICE

Guaranty Abstract & Title Co.

Carlsbad, N. M.
"Reliable Abstracters"
BONDED

GEOLOGICAL Map of Wyoming

Showin Structures and Oil Fields of the State and

SAMPLE COPY of the

INLAND OIL INDEX

containing weekly news on Petroleum and Natural Gas activities in the Rocky Mountain States.

Both for 10 Cents

Wyoming Oil World Publishing Co.
Lock Drawer 1138
Casper, Wyoming

Attention Oil Field Operators

We have just received a new supply of rig timbers and 30-foot main sills. We are now fully prepared to supply your wants in materials of this kind.



Roberts & Olver

Thoughtfulness This Christmas

A policy for your boy or girl today may mean a start on the right road to thrift and independence. Certainly we know of no other gift which would be appreciated more in after years.

Make the start before the end of the year.

NEW YORK LIFE INSURANCE

A. L. Allinger, Representative

Artesia, New Mexico

FIRST CLASS SHINES 10 CENTS

At the

MIDWAY SHINING PARLOR

MILTON KELLY, Prop.

All Kinds of Job Printing on Short Notice—Phone 7

WHEN BETTER AUTOMOBILES ARE BUILT, BUICK WILL BUILD THEM



The Ransom of a Prince

Could Buy No More Princely Gift

Give golden moments and hours of restful, easeful transportation, this Christmas. Give princely luxury and beauty. Give a Buick!

The ransom of a prince could buy no gift more certain to win the heart of every member of the family.

The Greatest **BUICK** Ever Built

M'NALLY-HALL MOTOR CO.

ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO

Artesia Advocate
The Pecos Valley News and
The Artesia American

Martin and Blocker, Publishers
W. C. Martin, Editor

PUBLISHED EVERY THURSDAY

Entered as second-class matter at the postoffice in Artesia, New Mexico, under the act of Congress of March 3, 1879.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1926

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year (In New Mexico).....\$2.00
Six Months (In New Mexico).....\$1.50
Three Months (In New Mexico).....\$1.00
One Year (Out of New Mex.).....\$2.50
Six Months (Out of New Mex.).....\$2.00
Three Months (Out of New Mex.).....\$1.50

NO SUBSCRIPTION TAKEN FOR
LESS THAN THREE MONTHS

Advertising Rates on Application.

Resolutions of Respect and Obituaries
5 cents per line.

Cards of Thanks 50 cents.

DISPLAY ADVERTISING COPY
MUST BE IN NOT LATER THAN
4.00 P. M. WEDNESDAY TO IN-
SURE PUBLICATION. CHANGE OF
COPY FOR DISPLAY MUST BE IN
THE OFFICE ON TUESDAY TO IN-
SURE CHANGE.

TELEPHONE NO. 7

Do your Christmas thinking early
and avoid the rush.

Woman's clothes are so funny,
they are almost as funny as the
men's.

A man seldom turns over a new
leaf until the old one is all smeared.
Let us be thankful all the girls
chewing gum are not chewing tobacco.

The millions of germs on money
and in kisses never make a man
refuse either.

A wise man knows he is acting
foolish to fall in love this close to
Christmas.

In gambling it isn't the first loss
that is so expensive; it's getting it
back.

Closed autos are the most popular
in winter, while closed mouths are
popular the year around.

Be not deceived. While Santa
Claus has many agents hereabouts
he has no genuine double.

New automobile licenses, income
tax payment, Christmas. Isn't De-
cember the gay old month?

The reformer should be patient
with us. After all, the world's wicked-
ness keeps him on a job.

And we can be thankful shoes are
not like auto tires so we would have
to sit down when we got a hole in
them.

FADS

Every once in a while we hear of
some new fad sweeping the country
and apparently sweeping some peo-
ple from their feet. The latest mara-
thon fad is the coffee drinking con-
test. The other day an Amarillo
man consumed seventy-two cups of
coffee, outstripping his Minnesota
rival by ten cups. However, unless
he had a larger capacity than most
of us, we don't see how he felt very
jubilant after the contest was ended.

SOMETHING TO LOOK TO

Not long ago a speaker in refer-
ring to Artesia said that one of the
most commendable things he saw
about the town was the fact that the
residents were like an old maid,
they had never given up hope. He
could have said many things and still
could hardly have been more compli-
mentary. There may be other re-
deeming features possessed by Ar-
tesia to be discussed and commented
upon, but remembering that a town is
no better than its citizenship, we
must look to them for progress.

Many others have commented very
favorable on the hopeful and opti-
mistic attitude generally found over
the west and more particularly in
this section. We have many possi-
bilities to look to in the future and
of course it depends largely in the
trend of developments as to whether
they materialize or not. Many things
are now in the making which may
bring wonderful changes to the town
and community within the next year.

DIVIDENDS FROM OIL

"From a prolonged and trying pe-
riod of burdensome overproduction of
crude oil, which, of course, consti-
tutes its raw material, the petroleum
industry has recently passed into a
position of balance, or even of slight
excess of consumption over produc-
tion," says W. S. Farish, of the
American Petroleum Institute. "On
the whole the industry has prospered
during the past year, although it has
not, even now, attained a position
where it can earn an adequate re-
turn on its invested capital.

"One factor which handicaps the
petroleum industry in its efforts to
earn fair profits, is the taxation to
which it is subjected. In addition to
direct ad valorem taxes, such as are
assessed against property in general
and against other industries, the
petroleum industry in most states
pays a special tax on every barrel of
oil produced, known as the gross pro-

Today is Always Best

by O. Lawrence Hawthorne

'Twas only yesterday, it seems,
That I was just a little boy
And life was filled with idle dreams
And play. Oh, how I did enjoy
Those happy hours, too quickly sped
Into the past! Soon I shall see
That busy, hopeful youth has fled,
And never can return to me.

Then age will come. 'Tis but a day
Until my final sun will set.
But I shall go with spirit gay
And heart that harbors no regret.
If I live manfully and face
Each golden morning with a smile—
If I determine to embrace
The chance to make today worth while.



© 1925 O. Lawrence Hawthorne.

**SMUGGLERS BRING
PINK BOLL WORM**

Smuggling in seed from infested
areas is insisted on by some farmers,
so that the problem of keeping down
the increase in infestation of pink
boll worm is becoming more serious
all the time. George R. Quesenberry
of the New Mexico A. & M. College
says that farmers could keep this
infestation down and practically un-
der control, if they would be more
careful as to the source of their seed
and insist that their neighbors do
not bring in outside seed.

Cottonseed should be introduced
into a community only on condition
that the field where the seed was
grown and the gin where it was
ginned have been pronounced in-
spected and free from pink boll
worm infestation.

In the majority of instances the
infestations that have been found are
a result of smuggling in cottonseed
from an infested area and planting
them in the community. Farmers
can overcome this danger if they will
produce their own seed or buy from
known clean areas. The former
method is always the best, as a high
grade product can be secured at a
lower price.

Farmers wishing to develop their
community on a pure seed basis by
growing only one class of uniform
seed with a uniform staple, should
get in touch with their county agent
or the Extension Service at State
College, where information on or or-
ganizing and developing community
seed production will be furnished.

**NEW BOOK ON PUBLIC
UTILITY BUSINESS**

The high school students of Ar-
tesia have had placed at their dis-
posal, for study purposes, a roman-
tic story of the public utility busi-
ness, harking back to the days when
this entire state was hardly more
than an Indian reservation. The
story is embraced in a text book pre-
pared under the guidance of three
of the West's foremost educators.
Copies have just been placed in the
hands of school officials here,
through the cooperation of the Moun-
tain States Telephone and the South-
western Public Service companies.

Growing interest in the utility
business as a means of livelihood,
on the part of high school and college
students, prompted publication of the
book, though it has been accepted as
a text book for history, science and
civic classes.

TATTOOED HOGS

The tattoo method of marking
hogs, developed by the United States
Department of Agriculture, is pro-
ving successful at the Kansas City
stockyards and its trade territory.
Following a trial of approximately
six months, R. L. Cuff, livestock
commissioner of the Kansas City
Livestock Exchange, said: "We have
demonstrated to our satisfaction that
tattooing is a feasible and practic-
able method of identifying hogs.
When hogs can be driven through a
narrow chute about twenty-four in-
ches wide, tattoo marks can be applied
as they walk through. One day I
saw a packer-driver tattoo a lot of
sixty-four hogs in less than three
minutes. All tattoo marks were
legible on the carcasses."

duction tax. In many states, also,
there is a heavy special tax on every
gallon of gasoline sold; part of this
tax is paid by the industry, although
it is popularly assumed that the in-
dustry is able to pass it all on to
the public. Moreover, the expense
of collecting this tax is also borne
by the industry. Oil companies gen-
erally pay more taxes than dividends,
and a number of them pay taxes
double the amount of their divi-
dends."

GLIMPSES OF THE PAST

From the files of the Artesia Ad-
vocate, December 18, 1914:

Dr. Russell and family are on a
visit to Tuscon, Arizona.

Prof. I. N. Corrington went to El
Paso Wednesday on business.

John O. Douglass left Wednesday
for his new home at Henderson,
Texas.

Doc McCormick is making large
shipments of chickens and turkeys
this week by express.

Ernest Johnson shipped four cars
of sheep from Artesia to the market
at Kansas City last week.

Dr. White, of Hope will leave for
Bisbee, Arizona, to remain with his
family until after Christmas.

H. N. Roberts, of Wichita, Kansas,
vice president of the Big Jo Lumber
Co., was here last week looking after
the interests of his company.

HIGH AND LOW

Cotton-producing areas show a
variation from less than 100 pounds
of low quality cotton to 300 and 400
pounds of high quality cotton per
acre, says the U. S. Department of
Agriculture. Statistics on milk re-
cords in the state of New York show
an income over cost of feed of \$31
per cow yielding 3,000 pounds of milk
up to \$133 per cow yielding 9,000
pounds.

Appropriate

Hubby: "What kind of a tree
shall I get for Christmas?"
Wife: "A fir tree might help
suggest a suitable present for me."



STAR PLAYER OF MICHIGAN

Here is Benny Friedman, captain
of the Yostmen, kicking. Friedman
is an All-American selection.
1924.

**MEAT GRADES DISCUSSED
AT RECENT CONFERENCE**

In a recent conference held in
Denver, conducted by the Bureau of
Agricultural Economics, tentative
standards for dressed lamb and mut-
ton; slaughter lambs and ewes; and
vealers and slaughter calves; were
thoroughly discussed by packers,
buyers and feeders, reports Dr. Mil-
ton Sharp of the New Mexico A. &
M. College, who attended the confer-
ence.

The grades to be used as a stand-
ard are based upon conformation,
finish and quality. In case of the
slaughter lambs, the meat produced
has been the basis for consideration.
Therefore, the fleece and weight are
not considered in the determination
of grade.

There are six grades of slaughter
lambs and ewes, and vealers and
slaughter calves, as follows: prime,
choice, good, medium, common, and
cull.

The grade in which an individual
carcass will be placed will depend
upon the conformation, finish, and
quality of that particular animal.

The purpose of this standardization
of grades is to establish terms that
will be understood by all concerned,
and have the same meaning on all
livestock markets. Such standardi-
zation will help the producer or ship-
per because when he offers his stock
for sale on a certain market and the
stock are placed in a certain grade,
he knows they would be placed in the
same grade on any other market to
which he might choose to ship. It
will also be helpful to the consumer,
as all carcasses are stamped accord-
ing to the grade they represent. This
is not the case at present, however,
as meat is often sold as choice and
good when in reality it would only
grade as medium or common, and
the consumer has no comeback un-
less we adopt some means of stand-
ardization of grades.

When a definite standard of grades
is adopted and recognized, it will
be very helpful and beneficial for all
concerned.

**GROEN'S
Boot & Shoe Shop**

Makers of High Grade
Cow Boy Boots

Shoe Repairing
while you wait

Joe Bates will shine,
clean and dye your
shoes

Ladies Shoe Shines a
Specialty

322 Main Street

FREE

Go to Dr. Loucks Garage and
get one of Henry's Chest
Protectors

FREE

TRADE in your old Battery
and get a new one that will
turn the motor over these cold
mornings.

**Poultry and Chicks
FOR SALE**

Large Type Barron Strain
White Leghorn baby chicks,
\$8.75 per hundred. These are
imported direct from Tom Bar-
ron. Anconas, Rocks, Reds,
Buff Orpingtons and White
Wyandottes of leading strains,
\$10 per hundred. Young pul-
lets of any of these breeds
now laying, \$1.25 each. We
pay postage on chicks any-
where and guarantee 100% live
delivery. We pay express on
pullets on lots of ten or more.
Include money order for
prompt shipment.

ACME FARMS
Vaughn, New Mexico

DO NOT WAIT

Until You Are Out—ORDER COAL TODAY!

Feed, Flour, Coal and Seeds

E. B. BULLOCK

**An investment
IN LONG TIME
service**

NOTHING—with the exception perhaps
of a collision with a ten ton truck—will
send your car to the scrap heap quicker than
faulty lubrication.

And nothing will insure longer life for your car
than correct lubrication.

That's why it's only good sense to make an
investment in long time service by using the
oil which rigidly conforms to the lubricating
needs of your type of motor.

Polarine is that oil—a clean, pure product
which lubricates every moving part. Stands
up under intense cylinder heat. Leaves prac-
tically no carbon. In brief, gives extra life to
your car.

Ask the Conoco man for a Polarine Chart which
shows the correct grade for your motor.

CONTINENTAL OIL COMPANY

Producers, Refiners and Marketers
of high-grade petroleum products in Arkansas,
Colorado, Idaho, Kansas, Missouri, Montana,
Nebraska, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Oregon,
South Dakota, Utah, Washington and Wyoming



Extra LIFE FOR YOUR CAR and be sure to use
CONOCO GASOLINE
packed with EXTRA miles



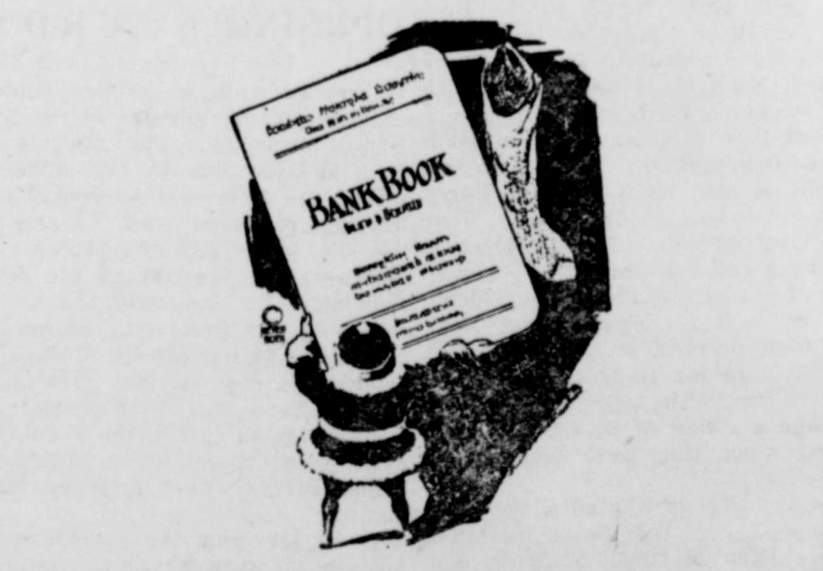
**MEAT the Family at the
City Market**

WE SPECIALIZE ON THAT GOOD, CORN
FED BEEF

FRESH GROCERIES FOR YOUR
HOLIDAY NEEDS

The City Market

Two Phones 37 and 38
FREE DELIVERY



A Book She'll Love to Read

Among the gifts to your wife don't
forget one little book that will bring her
much happiness. It is a Bank Book.
Open an account for her at this bank.
She'll like this bank with its facilities for
women depositors.

Citizens State Bank

"The Bank of Personal Service"

C. E. MANN, Cashier

WE VACUUM CLEAN ALL CLOSED CARS

HAVE YOUR CAR WASHED, GREASED AND POLISHED

GOODYEAR TIRES

LOWREY-KEYES AUTO CO.

AMALIE OIL

CHEVROLET SALES AND SERVICE

WE HAVE CONOCO AND TEXACO GAS

OUR TIRE SERVICE IS UNEXCELLED

LOCKHART-ALLEN WELL IS THE FIRST PRODUCER IN TRANS-PECOS FIELD

Lockhart-Allen is classed as first producer in the Trans-Pecos field due to its flowing the past week every forty-eight hours, making between sixty-five and seventy barrels each day. The length of time has been less than an hour, followed by a fill-up, which has decreased with each day.

On Wednesday, J. Fred Carey, drilling contractor set a lead plug at 200 feet, with the hole completely cleaned out. The hole was cleaned out of the seven foot of mud that had filled in following the flow the preceding night of sixty-three barrels.

On Friday night of last week following the six heads of fifty barrels in twenty-four hours, a big flow of sixty-three barrels was made. Forty-eight hours later, another big head was made amounting to seventy-three barrels, and on Tuesday night the third head. Another head was reported Thursday night, but the exact amount has not been received at this office.

All storage tanks have been filled at both the Lockhart and the Wheat locations, and new ones are necessary. It is further announced that the Lockhart Bros. are contemplating the building of a pipe-line to Armo, on the Santa Fe railway three and a half miles distant, from the well. The line proposed is a four inch pipe, following the road over the bridge across the Pecos river.

Greater excitement was the news of the Wheat well which had all but 200 feet of tubing removed and oil amounting to several barrels. Work will be started immediately to clean out this hole and drill deeper, in the hopes of finding profitable production. It has a good gas pressure, and is considered possible of making the greater production.

The Allen well will be tubed in the near future, when the well has cleaned itself out, according to the operators. Its activities have maintained a good production, capable of bettering itself with the small pipe.—Pecos Enterprise.

For Coal Phone 86

HIS ARDOR CHECKED

Two friends were talking about a young man who had just passed them in the street.

"Yes," said one, "he fell in love with a girl at a glove counter. He bought gloves every day for a week, so to discourage his attentions she became a manicurist."

"Then he had his nails manicured every day, I suppose?" remarked the other.

"Just so. But I don't think he will worry her any more."

"Oh, why?"

"She's found employment with a dentist."—Stray Stories.

Here You Are

Prizes are being offered by the Forum for the best short definition of humor. Never was a prize more easily won. We have sent in the following definition, which is airtight and waterproof:

"Humor is what the other fellow has no sense of."—Spokane Spokesman-Review.

ONLY 7 DAYS LEFT TO SHOP

BILL THE BARBER SAYS

I JUST HEARD A MAN SAY TO HIS CLOTHIER, WILL THERE BE ANY CHANGE IN MEN'S TROUSERS THIS SEASON? NO, NOT AFTER THE HOLIDAYS

Christmas Parcel for Miss Melinda

Package Did Not Contain Expected Ring, but She Became Engaged.

By MARION R. REAGAN

MISS MELINDA BROWN, spinster, had been waiting all year for Peter Moffat to propose. In fact, ever since they had met some two years before, she had felt that Peter could be brought around to take the "big plunge" with her into the sea of matrimony, but things had not gone on so well as she could have hoped. She was sure Peter loved her, but he was an extremely shy man and it required no little pushing to get him up to the point. Several times Melinda thought she "had" him. She had given him every opening by referring coyly to her "own little home—if she ever had one," and to her "lonely life at present," but Peter only sat silent at such remarks, ignoring them completely, or stupidly telling her that after all, many people led more lonely lives than she, and not to be so discontented.

Melinda looked forward to the approaching Christmas season with glee. Surely he would give her a ring for Christmas, after these months of courting.

The season advanced and Christmas arrived bringing a parcel from Mr. Moffat and a note sent from Chicago. Melinda's heart sank when she saw the postmark. "Out of town for Christmas. Then it is all off," she said sadly. She glanced at the package—ten inches square—surely no engagement ring in that. Slowly she untied it. It was writing paper. She opened the letter from him and read: "Just a Christmas greeting, hoping you will write to me frequently. I shall be in Chicago for several months. Sincerely, 'PETER MOFFAT.'"

Furious, Melinda tore the note into bits. "I shall never look at him again," she breathed. "And after the way I've run after him! But that's been the trouble. I've run after him too much. I shall never write to him. From this out I shall never speak to him again—never speak to him again!" she repeated emphatically.

And Melinda kept her word. Peter Moffat was growing a little uneasy. Three months had passed and no word from Melinda. It finally became too much even for the patient Mr. Moffat. He felt his temper rising steadily against Melinda. "Thinks she can play a game like that, eh? Run after me while I'm in town and then drop me when I go away. Probably after some other man now." This thought brought crimson flashes of jealousy to the already highly colored cheeks of Peter Moffat. "By George, no woman will make a fool out of me!" he exploded. "I'll go to Springfield tonight and I'll make her marry me. After all these months of courting her, too!"

It so happened that Melinda's cousin, Arthur, who had come from Kansas City was having dinner with her at the hotel the night Peter Moffat came in from Chicago. Peter was hurrying down the street from the station when he happened to look in at the brightly lighted restaurant of the hotel and there—what? He stopped dead still, the evil green monster rising in his breast. It was Melinda with another man! His first impulse was to rush into the hotel, punch this impudent stranger and carry Melinda off with him. But this shyness was stronger than his passion and he only turned away, grinding his teeth and clenching his fists. He would see Melinda in the morning at her house!

The next morning about nine o'clock Melinda was surprised to see Peter Moffat at her door. She began to tremble nervously. "Good morning, Peter," she said to him, and extended a cold, moist hand. Peter grunted. "I've come to talk to you, Melinda," he said very seriously indeed, and

JAMES BACA APPOINTED ADJUTANT GENERAL BY GOV.-ELECT R. C. DILLON

SANTA FE.—The appointment of James Baca, of Santa Fe, as adjutant general for the next term was announced today by Governor-elect R. C. Dillon in a message to The Santa Fe New Mexican here. Mr. Baca will not be unfamiliar with his position for during the war he was adjutant general of the state and was active in the recruiting of troops. Among the recommendations for Mr. Baca was one from Major General Leonard Wood, governor-general of the Philippines.

Further announcement was made by Miss Lois Randolph, newly elected school superintendent of the appointment of John V. Conway, of Santa Fe, as assistant. Mr. Conway has long been identified with education in New Mexico, his work in the rural district having gained him praise from all sources.

Burton C. Mossman, cattleman at Roswell, has been added to Governor Dillon's staff.

Few Chinchillas Left

The chinchilla, a little rodent of the Andes mountains in South America, has the finest and most valuable fur of all animals. It has been hunted for this fur until it has become practically extinct, though once there were great numbers of the diminutive creatures, says J. E. Gargan in Our Dumb Animals.

closed the door behind him. They sat in the little parlor of the Brown house. "You haven't been playing a straight game with me, Melinda," he began. "I know all about it—you needn't try to explain. I saw you last night, and I've seen you other nights. You have only been using me as a plaything while you've had these other fellows on the side."

Melinda gasped. "Why Peter Moffat, you—you"—she could think of nothing to say. "I know all about it," he repeated; "I've been watching you. Now all I've got to say is that I'm not a man to be trifled with. Either you marry me at once or you never will see me again. I want an answer right now, yes or no."

Melinda felt as though she had been suddenly hurled into an avalanche. She could not understand what had gotten into Peter, or what he was referring to. She did know, however, with an ecstatic sense of delight that he was proposing. "I'll marry you whenever you say, Peter," she said meekly. Peter, feeling greatly triumphant, leaned over and kissed his future wife tenderly. "We'll be married tomorrow," he said.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Bro. A. S. Dowd, from Kentucky, will preach both morning and evening. This man comes to us very highly recommended so come out and hear him preach.

Special orchestra music. Several members of our Community Orchestra will assist in the music both at the Bible school hour and morning service.

Bible school, 9:45 a. m. Communion and service, 11:00 a. m.

Evening service, 7:00 p. m.

We cordially invite you and promise you a hearty welcome.

Works Coal Mine Alone

William Cope, seventy-eight years old, has a coal mine at Sedgley, England, which he works single handed. For the last 50 years he has owned the pit and worked it alone, his mine being probably the only one in the world that has never been interrupted by a strike.

ARTESIA DAIRY

The Home of Pure Milk and Cream

PHONE 219

WE GIVE PROMPT AND EFFICIENT SERVICE

Guaranty Abstract & Title Co.

Carlsbad, N. M. "Reliable Abstracters" BONDED

GEOLOGICAL

Map of Wyoming Showing Structures and Oil Fields of the State and

SAMPLE COPY of the

INLAND OIL INDEX

containing weekly news on Petroleum and Natural Gas activities in the Rocky Mountain States.

Both for 10 Cents

Wyoming Oil World Publishing Co. Lock Drawer 1138 Casper, Wyoming



Christmas Wisdom

You will want to set this Christmas aside as the date when you started your children on the road to thrift and success. A Savings Account is the impetus. This Bank is the guide that shows the way to children.

MAKE OUR BANK YOUR BANK

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

"THERE IS NO SUBSTITUTE FOR SAFETY"

Attention Oil Field Operators

We have just received a new supply of rig timbers and 30-foot main sills. We are now fully prepared to supply your wants in materials of this kind.



Roberts & Olver

Thoughtfulness This Christmas

A policy for your boy or girl today may mean a start on the right road to thrift and independence. Certainly we know of no other gift which would be appreciated more in after years.

Make the start before the end of the year.

NEW YORK LIFE INSURANCE

A. L. Allinger, Representative

Artesia, New Mexico

FIRST CLASS SHINES 10 CENTS

At the

MIDWAY SHINING PARLOR

MILTON KELLY, Prop.

All Kinds of Job Printing on Short Notice—Phone 7

WHEN BETTER AUTOMOBILES ARE BUILT, BUICK WILL BUILD THEM



The Ransom of a Prince

Could Buy No More Princely Gift

Give golden moments and hours of restful, easeful transportation, this Christmas. Give princely luxury and beauty. Give a Buick!

The ransom of a prince could buy no gift more certain to win the heart of every member of the family.

The Greatest **BUICK** Ever Built

M'NALLY-HALL MOTOR CO.

ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO

FILED FOR RECORD IN CO. CLERK'S OFFICE

December 6, 1926.
 Warranty Deeds:
 R. L. Smith, et al to W. F. Daugherty \$350.00 Pt. SW 1/4 4-18-26.
 In the Probate Court:
 No. 543 Order appointing V. A. Buell, temporary executor in the matter of the estate of Luella A. Buell, Dec.
 No. 508 Order setting date of final hearing in the matter of the estate of Louis F. Diefendorf, Dec.
 In the District Court:
 No. 205 Tax suit. Order. State of New Mexico vs. Lillie L. McKinney.
 No. 4353 Judgment M. A. Miller vs. Felix Miller. No. 4211 Order Dissolving attachment. K. McIntosh vs. E. C. Hurst, et al.
 No. 4363 Suit on Account. Frick Reid Supply Co. vs. Anna L. Block \$4113.41 SWNW 17-18-28.
 No. 4364 Divorce. Frank W. Marshall vs. Vernia E. Marshall.
 December 8, 1926.
 Warranty Deeds:
 J. H. Baker to M. N. Cunningham \$2400.00 W 1-3 lot 13 and 14 Blk. 37 Stevens. M. N. Cunningham to J. H. Baker \$1500.00 lot 1, Blk. 82 Lowe Add. C.
 In the Probate Court:
 No. 543 Order appointing V. A. Buell, executor in the matter of the estate of L. A. Buell, Dec.
 In the District Court:
 No. 4365 Injunction. C. W. Beeman, et als, vs. Valley Land Co., et als.
 No. 4366 Suit on account and attachment. Harkey Gin Co. vs. Valley Land Co. \$4115.43.
 December 8, 1926.
 Tax Suits:
 Note: The state has filed suit against the following individuals or firms for the collection of delinquent taxes.
 No. 297—J. F. Taylor et als.
 No. 299—Penasco Merc. Co.
 No. 300—Pecos Valley Farms Products Co.
 No. 301—J. M. Newland, et als.
 No. 302—J. Pinnell.
 No. 303—M. P. Newkirk.
 No. 304—J. M. Nelson, et als.
 No. 305—Gus Nowel, et als.
 No. 306—Mrs. E. P. McIlhane, et als.
 No. 307—H. M. McCormick.
 No. 308—G. U. McCrary.
 No. 309—Owen McClay.
 No. 310—E. P. McCormick.
 No. 312—M. O. McCormick, et als.
 No. 313—L. N. McCabe, et als.
 No. 314—E. B. King, et als.
 No. 315—J. M. Norris, et als.
 No. 316—G. S. Moore, et als.
 No. 317—W. W. Meeks.
 No. 318—G. A. Martin, et als.
 No. 319—B. F. McCormick, et als.
 No. 320—W. R. Waltner, et als.
 No. 321—A. Johnson est.
 No. 322—Mrs. Orna Harper, et als.
 No. 323—H. A. Keys.
 No. 324—H. M. McCormick, et als.
 No. 325—E. B. McCaw.
 No. 328—H. L. Muncey.
 No. 329—J. E. Johnson.
 No. 330—A. F. Jones.
 No. 332—F. M. Keller.
 No. 333—S. Howell, et als.
 No. 334—J. C. Keys, et als.
 No. 336—L. W. Feemster.
 No. 337—J. Furr et als.
 No. 338—C. Moss, et als.
 No. 339—J. R. Johnson.
 No. 341—G. Gilmer, et als.
 No. 342—L. O. Miller.
 No. 343—S. E. Fanning.
 No. 344—R. B. Coates.
 No. 345—J. A. Clayton, et als.
 No. 346—S. Clayton.
 No. 347—E. S. Coates.
 No. 348—J. F. Hunick.
 No. 349—M. F. Hatchcock.
 No. 350—M. S. Brown.
 No. 351—J. R. Bonine.
 No. 352—R. A. Eaton, et als.
 No. 353—Mrs. A. L. Rackley.
 No. 355—J. A. Jones.
 No. 356—J. D. Briscoe, et als.
 No. 357—D. B. Meeks, et als.
 No. 358—J. D. McClelland.
 No. 359—I. C. Horrall, et als.
 No. 360—H. Mann.
 No. 361—S. A. Hastie, et als.
 No. 362—J. Clayton, et als.
 No. 363—T. J. Fletcher.
 No. 364—W. I. Wiseley, et als.
 No. 365—T. F. Blackmore, et als.
 No. 366—A. Horner.
 No. 367—M. G. Frazier, et als.
 No. 368—Jno. Ball, et als.
 No. 369—L. L. Dickson, et als.
 No. 371—W. M. Handle, et als.
 No. 372—A. L. Bruce, et als.
 No. 373—Grant Sooter, et als.
 No. 374—Hall Heirs.
 No. 375—T. M. Bobo.
 No. 376—M. Langston, et als.
 No. 377—G. S. Brownlee, et als.
 No. 378—C. S. Brown, et als.
 No. 380—C. V. Hartshorn, et als.
 No. 381—H. N. Hannah.
 No. 382—E. A. Boans, et als.
 No. 383—Cresencia Fierro.
 No. 384—H. R. McDonald.
 No. 385—L. G. Syferd.
 No. 386—D. J. Hill, et als.
 No. 387—E. E. Scroggins.
 No. 388—W. R. Shattuck.
 No. 389—R. M. Lone et als.
 No. 390—G. E. Block, et als.
 No. 391—J. E. Tomlinson est, et als.
 No. 392—L. G. Purcello, et als.
 No. 393—A. S. Cuning, et als.
 No. 395—E. N. Requa.
 No. 396—Isaac Corrington, et als.
 No. 397—C. Ullery, et als.
 No. 398—D. N. West.
 No. 399—D. I. Thomas, et als.
 No. 400—H. G. Thomas.
 December 9, 1926.
 In the District Court:
 No. 4367 Suit on account. Morrison & Pardue vs. Valley Land Co. \$400.00.

No. 4368 In the matter of appointment of jury commissioner.
 No. 4369. Insanity. In the matter of the insanity of Kate M. Bales of Hope, New Mexico.
 December 10, 1926.
 In the Probate Court:
 No. 519 Order. In the matter of the estate of Alvah James, Dec.
 In the District Court:
 No. 4370 Suit on note. Fidelity & Deposit Co. vs. D. R. Harkey \$2500.00.
 No. 4371. In the matter of compensation of John Hays vs. W. A. Seidler & Standard Accident Ins. Co.
 December 11, 1926.
 Oil and Gas Leases. Oliver Pearson to F. A. Manda, SE 1/4 8-16-25. Chas. H. Roady to F. M. Privett SE 1/4 14-16-25. E. O. Nichols to F. M. Privett NW 1/4 14-16-25. F. M. Privett et als to F. M. Privett SW 1/4 13-16-25.
 Patent:
 United States of America to H. Harrison N 1/2 SW 23; N 1/2 NW 27; N 1/2 SE; SWNE NW 1/4; S SW 1/4 22 Twp. 25 S., Range 24 East.
 Warranty Deeds:
 C. A. Ament, et als to G. Mellard et al N 1/2 NE 14-17-21. C. C. Forbes to T. E. Sarnes Lot 9, Blk. 3, Roberts Add., Artesia. A. J. Shockley to C. C. Forbes \$165.00 Lot 9, Blk. 3, Roberts.
 In the District Court:
 No. 4322 Decree. Cummins Brothers vs. Sandburg Pet. Co. et als, NWNE 9-18-28.
 No. 4277. Order Re-taxing cost. S. A. Lanning vs. J. F. Green.
 December 13, 1926.
 Deeds:
 S. S. Ward to K. Ward \$100 Lot 5 and 7, Blk. 19, C. & S. Add. Artesia. L. Peterson to Helen Peterson \$100 Lot 16, Blk. 108 N. Carlsbad. M. Barr, et als, to H. S. Barr, Lot 10, Blk. 38, Stevens. H. S. Barr to Minerva Barr Lot 10, Blk. 38, Stevens.
 In the District Court:
 No. 4371 Order. John Hays vs. W. A. Seidler & Standard Accident Ins. Co.

PLANS COMPLETED TO FINANCE COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA AT ARTESIA

Arrangements have been made to finance the Community Orchestra without an undue financial burden on any member or to those who are connected with this organization. This arrangement enables the pupil to join the orchestra without paying a tuition fee and the benefit is to yourself and community.
 The free entertainment scheduled to have been given at Roswell, December 17th, by children under fifteen years of age of the Community Orchestras of the Valley, has been postponed due to sickness, but will be given in the near future, as soon as health conditions improve. About twenty members of the Community Orchestra here are expected to take part.
 Probably the outstanding announcement in the musical circles for the week is the fact that the Pecos Valley Orchestra, is to have a representative at Dallas, Texas in the National High School Orchestra meet, February 27th. Ernest Harp, director of the Artesia Community Band has been chosen as a representative of the valley. This organization will play before the National Association of School Superintendents. Ernest Harp is one of the six trombonists chosen to play with the Association.
 Another item of interest connected with the Community Orchestra is the announcement that Mrs. Noel C. Greene of Roswell, noted cello artist has consented to appear in a recital here in the near future. She will be assisted by Ernest Harp.

NEW MEX. HAS TOTAL OF 8,481,455 ACRES IN NATIONAL FORESTS

Congressman John Morrow has just sent us a compilation of the national forests in New Mexico as of June 30, 1926, giving the total number of acres in each forest, the number of acres in each county and the counties embracing the various forests.
 This information follows:
 Apache Forest:
 Catron county, 886,774 acres.
 Carson Forest:
 Colfax county, 6,293 acres.
 Taos county, 309,017 acres.
 Rio Arriba county, 751,772 acres.
 Total 1,067,082 acres.
 Coronado Forest:
 Hidalgo county, 124,750 acres.
 Datil Forest:
 Catron county, 852,980 acres.
 Sierra county, 265,566 acres.
 Socorro county, 754,505 acres.
 Total 1,753,051 acres.
 Gila Forest:
 Catron county, 507,062 acres.
 Grant county, 844,250 acres.
 Hidalgo county, 7,707 acres.
 Sierra county, 237,182 acres.
 Total 1,596,201 acres.
 Lincoln Forest:
 Chaves county, 44,125 acres.
 Eddy county, 134,667 acres.
 Lincoln county, 443,210 acres.
 Otero county, 403,217 acres.
 Torrance 88,988 acres.
 Total 1,114,207 acres.
 Manzano Forest:
 Bernalillo county, 81,943 acres.
 McKinley county, 121,237 acres.
 Sandoval county, 36,587 acres.
 Securo county, 184,225 acres.
 Torrance county, 151,192 acres.
 Santa Fe Forest:
 Mora county, 90,987 acres.
 Rio Arriba county, 412,324 acres.
 Sandoval county, 294,989 acres.
 San Miguel county, 287,956 acres.
 Santa Fe county, 184,116 acres.
 Total 1,270,372 acres.
 Total for New Mex. 8,481,455 acres.



We are Giving Away a Hot Point Percolator Christmas Eve

ASK US ABOUT IT
 There is nothing BETTER nor more APPROPRIATE than

Electrical Merchandise
 for CHRISTMAS GIFTS
 We have for your approval:
 CURLING IRONS \$1.60-\$5.75
 TOASTERS \$3.75 to \$16.50
 GRILLS \$2.50 to \$16.65
 PERCOLATORS \$10 to \$19.75
 WAFFLE IRONS \$10 to \$15
 FLAT IRONS \$5 to \$6.95
 STAND LAMPS \$3 to \$9
 EUREKA VACUUM CLEANERS
 WASHING MACHINES

In fact we have the best assortment of Electrical appliances ever shown in your city.

BARTLETT ELECTRIC COMPANY

Phone 55 Artesia, N. M. 317 Main
 A small deposit will hold any article until Christmas.

MICKIE SAYS—

SURE! WE KNOW A FEW OLE KNOCKERS GET SORE AT US EVERY TIME WE BOOST FOR SOME PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT, BUT WHAT OF IT? WE FEEL IT'S OUR DUTY TO SUPPORT ALL SUCH THINGS, AND MAKE THIS THE BEST TOWN IN THE STATE TO LIVE IN! YESSIR!



LIVINGSTONE LECTURE

By an oversight no mention was made of the splendid stereopticon lecture upon "David Livingstone," which Rev. Sinclair gave at the Presbyterian church recently. Those who had the good fortune to hear the lecture speak in the highest terms of the lecture itself and also of the fine pictures shown in connection with it. Rev. Sinclair is a compatriot of Livingstone and has visited the places shown in the Scottish pictures and is qualified to speak in a personal way of the great explorer, whose remains were brought back from Africa and buried in Westminster Abbey, in London.

A man stepped up to a grocer's cigar counter and bought two 10-cent cigars. A Scotchman who was waiting to be served pushed forward. "You sell those cigars three for a quarter, don't you?" he asked. "Yes," replied the grocer. "Well," said the Scotchman, producing a nickel, "I'll take the other one."

Give

a Year's Subscription

TO THE ARTESIA ADVOCATE

The entire family will appreciate for the whole year the weekly editions of your home town paper. Send it to a friend, that son or daughter that is away in school —no gift that you can make for the price will be appreciated as much.

In New Mexico, a year.....\$2.00
 Out of New Mexico, a year.....\$2.50

We make special rates to students attending school when parents are subscribers—ask us.

for Economical Transportation

CHEVROLET

40,000 have bought CHEVROLET the Certificate Way

Use this plan to pay cash for your next car and effect a decided saving.

The widespread favor now enjoyed by the Chevrolet Purchase Certificate Plan is partly due to its fundamental soundness, safety and thrift and partly to the fact that the buyer earns 6%, instead of paying interest, and receives additional attractive credits on all service and accessories purchased from his Chevrolet dealer.

Come in! Let us show you why so many thousands have used this famous and widely popular plan in buying the world's finest low-priced car.

Touring or Roadster \$510, Coupe or Coach \$645, Sedan \$735, Landau \$765, 1-Ton Truck (Chassis Only) \$495, 1/2-Ton Truck (Chassis Only) \$375. All prices f. o. b. Flint, Mich.

Lowrey-Keyes Auto Co.
 Artesia, :: :: :: New Mexico
QUALITY AT LOW COST

Want Ads

TERMS:—A rate of ten cents per line will be charged for classified ads for the first insertion and five cents per line thereafter. No ad accepted for less than 50c. An average of 6 words normally constitute a line. Charges will be based on this average. Cash to accompany all ads sent by letter, otherwise they will not be inserted.

FOR SALE

FOR TRADE OR EXCHANGE—A dairy at Slayton, Texas, clear of all encumbrance for land near Artesia for irrigation. Laundry rents for \$100 per month. J. A. Morris, 12-9-2tp
 Arthur, Rt. 1.

have for sale at Atoka, my household goods, one good Jersey cow, one Star car, mules and one horse. This offer holds good until January 1st. W. F. Daugherty, 12-16-2tp

FOR SALE—Modern three room house with bath and sleeping porch. Apply to I. C. Huff, Jr., at Big Jo Lbr., 12-9-3tc

FOR SALE—The W. F. Daugherty stock and fixtures. I am unable to give this business my time so it must sell within ten days. W. F. Daugherty or J. J. Williams, Portales, New Mex. 12-16-1tc

FOR SALE—Dry apple wood. All sizes. Apply J. B. Cecil. 12-9-1tfc

have some fancy boxed apples for sale at the Alfalfa Association office. Get one for Christmas. Bry-Williams. 12-9-2tp

FOR SALE

One two row planter, one cultivator, both new; one 3 1/2 horse gas engine, one wagon and harness, several saddle horses, a few bred sows. R. L. Paris 12-9-4tp

FOR SALE—If you want a good roadster, 1925 model, write to 425, Artesia, N. Mex. 10-28-3tp-tf

FOR SALE—Several pieces of furniture, also lawn mower and hose. These at home of Chas. McCree, W. Dallas Ave. Lucy Thomas. 11-18-tfc

FOR SALE—Star drilling machine, motor type, some rotary equipment. 8-inch pipe. Write C. C. Powell, Lake Arthur. 11-25-4tp

WOMAN'S EXCHANGE

The Woman's Exchange will open the Cunningham building on Saturday, December 18th at ten o'clock. One cooked food and Xmas gifts. Meet at the Woman's club building. Orders taken. Phone 1087-233. 12-9-2tp

Give your child a violin for Christmas. Ten lessons will prepare him for the Community Orchestra. Lane Schnoor. 12-2-3tp

FOR SALE—No. 3 National Drill Rig, almost new, only drilled 10 feet. Has 12x12 engine and No. 50 H. P. Firebox Boiler. Deeded F. O. B. cars Los Angeles \$90.00. Will sell without boiler engine. Casing all sizes also for sale. E. D. TAYLOR, 1119 W. M. Island Building, Los Angeles, California. 12-16-3tp

FOR RENT

FOR RENT—Four room house, end of town. S. E. Ferree. 10-21-tfc

FOR RENT—Four room modern cottage. Apply to S. A. Lanning. 11-11-tfc

MISCELLANEOUS

A flute, clarinet, oboe or cello could make a fine Christmas present. Join the Community Orchestra. 12-2-3tp

LAND TO LEASE
 100 acres good land joining Dayton. Would like to lease for a term of years and sell our horses, cows and implements. Good six room house, plenty of water, good rabbit proof fence. C. H. Smith, Box 396, Dayton, New Mexico. 10-7-tfc

ROOM AND BOARD—at the Terrell house, good meals served family style, 512 W. Richardson, phone 144. 10-21-tfc

LOST

LOST—Several weeks ago, tortoise rim nose glasses. Reward for finder at Advocate office.

WANTED

WANTED—Boy not in school that wants to learn a good trade. Write in care of Advocate, stating age, etc. 12-2-4tp

WANTED—A few Leghorn hens, pork team, good milch cow. R. L. Paris. 12-9-4tp

\$10.00 REWARD

For information leading to arrest and conviction of any one stealing milk in Artesia. ARTESIA DAIRY 12-9-2tc

For Coal Phone 86

DRILLING REPORT

The only newspaper in New Mexico carrying first hand information on the important test wells drilling in southeastern New Mexico. If interested in this section read The Advocate. We give this information a week to ten days ahead of any other paper published in the state. Our constant aim is to get accurate information and when a misrepresentation occurs we are always glad to make a correction.

Eddy County.

Compton No. 2, Mann permit, NW NW sec. 2-18-27; drilling below 800 feet. Manciger et al., M. E. Turner permit, NE 1/4 sec. 29-17-31; drilling variation hole below 400 feet.

Eaton and Co., on Brainard permit, NE corner SW 1/4 sec. 9-18-27; rugging back to shoot from 1850 to 1880.

Empire Oil and Gas Co., Harry Wright No. 1, NW NE sec. 2-18-27; drilling below 900 feet.

Empire Oil and Gas Co., twin well to State No. 1A, in the NW NE NW sec. 2-18-27; drilling below 150 feet.

Hamilton Petroleum Co., Billings No. 1 in sec. 12-19-26; swabbing.

Navajo Oil Co., No. 2, SW 1/4 sec. 28-17-28; drilling deeper at 2650 feet.

Onio Oil Co., Mariand No. 1 SW SW sec. 13-22-29; spudding.

Oscar Howard, Etz permit in the NE SE sec. 11-18-28; rugging.

ruebio Oil Co., center of SE 1/4 sec. 26-17-29; Location.

ruebio Oil Co., NW corner sec. 26-17-29; moving material.

rairie Oil and Gas Co., Keel No. 1, SE SE sec. 10-17-31; drilling at 950 feet.

Skelly Oil Co., Lynch permit, sec. 22-17-31; capped. To complete after first of year.

Bruce Sullivan No. 1, SW corner sec. 1-18-31; Shut down.

Wooley & Jones No. 1 Beeson, SE corner sec. 33-17-30; drilling below 3445 feet.

Wooley Jones No. 1 McIntire, in center of SE 1/4 sec. 21-17-30; drilling below 1250 feet.

Williams Petroleum Co., well No. 5, in sec. 17-18-28; drilling below 2810 feet.

Chaves County.

Buffalo Roswell, in sec. 25-11-27. No report.

F. W. Bozo et al., Kenna No. 1, center east line of NW 1/4 sec. 12-6-31; Location.

Delmar Oil Co., sec. 22-11-26; Drilling below 300 feet.

Etz, De Vito et al., NW SE sec. 24-11-26; No report.

Gibson Oil Corp., Forsyth No. 1, center NE 1/4 sec. 8-11-23; drilling below 680 feet.

Hall et al., NW 1/4 sec. 8-14-24; Shut down at 1580 feet.

Sparrow and Drake, Fahrlander No. 1, sec. 11-6-27; No report.

Texas Company No. 1, Dunken Dome, SW 1/4 sec. 29-17-18; Resumed drilling at 2494 feet.

Lea County.

Cap Rock Oil and Gas Co., Leonard and Levers well No. 1, SE 1/4 sec. 11-16-32; Drilling with cable tools below 800 feet.

Covert et al., No. 1, NE NE sec. 15-21-33; Drilling below 960 feet.

Exploration Company, well No. 1, in the NE 1/4 sec. 25-18-35; Drilling below 100 feet.

Henderson-Dexter-Blair, Wyatt No. 1, SW SW sec. 34-17-33; Drilling below 3150 feet.

Inglefield et al., in sec. 4-17-34; Shut down will be carried deeper.

Maljamar Oil and Gas Corp., State No. 1, in the SE 1/4 sec. 16-17-32; Pulling casing to get under-reamer.

Mescalero Petroleum Co., No. 1 Jennie Hughes in the NE SW sec. 27-19-38; Shut down.

Grace Mitchell No. 1, in the SW corner sec. 5-17-32; Fishing at 3660 feet.

T. P. McDonald NE 1/4 sec. 22-18-34; Shut down at 200 feet.

Ohio Oil Co., Wm. Mitchell No. 1, NE corner SW 1/4 sec. 18-17-32; Drilling in oil sand below 3960 feet.

Prairie Oil and Gas Co., NE NE sec. 34-18-32; Validation completed.

Curry County

Frio Oil Co., Saunders No. 2, in sec. 11, twp. 5N, 35 E.; No report.

Steinberger et al., No. 1, in the center of the NE 1/4 sec. 21, twp. 3N, 35 E.; Location only.

Quay County.

Argo Oil Co., sec. 5-7-31; Location.

Gibson Oil Co., NW 1/4 sec. 25-8-32; Location.

Ohio Oil Co., sec. 24, twp. 7 N, rg 29 E.; No report.

DeBaca County.

McAdoo Petroleum Corp., State No. 1, sec. 16-1-27; No report.

Dr. and Mrs. C. W. Williams left the first of the week to spend the holidays with their daughter, Mrs. O. N. Gamble, and family at Canyon, Texas.

VALUATIONS FIXED BY STATE TAX COMMISSION AT SANTA FE SATURDAY

(Santa Fe New Mexican)
 Livestock and grazing lands valuations announced Saturday by the state tax commission show but little change from last year's. The valuations follow:

Grazing Lands.
 District No. 1. Colfax, Harding and Mora and Union counties, \$1.50 and \$2.00 per acre.

District No. 2. Chaves, Curry, Eddy, DeBaca, Guadalupe, Lea, Lincoln, Otero, Quay, Roosevelt, Rio Arriba, San Miguel, Santa Fe, Taos, and Torrance counties, \$1.25 and \$1.75 per acre.

District No. 3. Bernalillo, Catron, Dona Ana, Grant, Hidalgo, Luna, Sierra, Socorro and Valencia counties, \$1.00 and \$1.50 per acre.

Livestock.
 Sheep: Over one year old—Common \$6.50, graded \$7.00, thoroughbreds \$8.00. Under one year old—Common \$5.50, graded \$6.00, thoroughbreds \$7.00.

Kans: Common \$18.00, graded \$20.00, thoroughbreds \$25.00.

Cattle: Calves and coming yearlings common \$10.00, graded \$12.00, thoroughbreds \$18.00. Coming two year old heifers; common \$14.00, graded \$16.00, thoroughbreds \$27.00.

Three year old steers; common \$28.00, graded \$30.00, thoroughbreds \$35.00. Cows: Common \$18.00, graded \$20.00, thoroughbreds \$40.00. Bulls: Common \$35.00, graded \$40.00, thoroughbreds \$60.00.

Unclassified cattle: Common \$15.00, graded \$17.00, thoroughbreds \$60.00.

Dairy Cattle: Valuations to be determined by assessor at not less than \$30.00 for common dairy cattle and \$50.00 for improved or thoroughbreds.

Goats: Common \$2.00, graded \$3.00, thoroughbreds \$5.00.

Bucks: Common \$10.00, graded \$15.00, thoroughbreds \$20.00.

Swine: Common from \$3.00 to \$10.00 per head at discretion of assessors.

Saddle horses: \$25.00 to \$50.00 per head at discretion of assessors.

Miscellaneous range horses: \$2.00 to \$10.00 per head at discretion of assessors.

Work horses:
 Mules: Light \$20.00, medium \$50.00, heavy \$80.00.

The valuations are to be in force throughout the state irrespective of counties or districts.

JUDGMENT ON CLAIM

Order was entered in district court on December 10th by Judge Charles R. Brice, in the case of John Hays vs. W. A. Seidler and Standard Accident Insurance Co., in which judgment was given the plaintiff for \$900 in a lump sum, according to agreement, for injuries sustained on October 5, 1925. Hays was protected under the workmen's compensation act of New Mexico.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank the good people of Artesia for their expressions of sympathy and many acts of kindness shown us during the illness and death of our son, Osse Harcom. Mr. and Mrs. H. Harcom and family 12-16-1tp

Do you need distillate? Call 179F3.

Advocate want ads get results.

A Friendly Chorus

Young Poet—Yes, I have written a large number of poems, but I do not propose having any published until after my death.

Chorus of friends (raising their hats)—Here's long life to you, old man.

Might Shine at That

"How are you at cards?"
 "Poor at the games I play. Do you know of a game where eight and nine spots are the winners?"

MICKIE SAYS—

LOTS OF FOLKS PASS YOUR SHOW WINDOW AND LOOK IN, MR. MERCHANT. THAT IS GOOD PUBLICITY. NOW, OUR AD COLUMNS ARE A TRAVELLING SHOW WINDOW WHICH MAKES REGULAR TRIPS TO THE HOMES IN THIS CITY AND VICINITY. THIS IS OUR INVITATION TO MERCHANTS TO DISPLAY YOUR WARES IN OUR SHOW WINDOW.



CHRISTMAS AT THE J. P. OFFICE

Not to be outdone in the matter of showing the proper holiday displays and the proper Christmas spirit, Squire L. L. Feather has a table laden with the various stills captured within the past two years or eighteen months by local officers. These instruments vary in construction from the crude to the most complete, however, the display does not represent the entire lot, as some have been taken away. Among the five in number which have been lined up on the table, one is said to be a product of a mail order house.

When asked if the maker of a mail order still did not violate the law the same as the operator, we are informed that the maker had a cute little way of evading the law. When shipped the distill does not come together, but the complete product is packed in two or three separate cases or packages.

WORK ON Y. O. CROSSING

More than five miles of the highway leading west from Y. O. Crossing has been completed, according to word received here during the early part of the week. A road crew has been at work on this highway since last month and have made good progress.

The completion of this road will eventually give the residents of the Artesia and Hope sections a western outlet through the mountains to Cloucroft and Alamogordo and will complete the mountain-valley loop, running west through the mountains and back around by way of the Ruidoso to Roswell.

COMMUNITY TREE FOR LOWER COTTONWOOD

Plans have been made to have a Community Christmas tree at the Lower Cottonwood school building on the evening of December 23rd. Appropriate exercises will be given in connection with the tree. The public is cordially invited to attend.

CARLSBAD DEFEATS TOWN TEAM OF ARTESIA

The team of the town athletic club of Carlsbad defeated the town team of Artesia, on the Carlsbad court, Friday evening by a score of 43 to 4.

Shifting Gears
 Teacher (to seven-year-old): "So you have broken off a tooth, have you? How did you do it?"
 Seven-year-old: "Oh, shifting gears on a lollipop."

Modern Religion
 Customer: "Give me change for a dime, please?"
 Grocer: Sure. And I hope you enjoy the sermon."

See our samples of Engraving—Artesia Advocate.

Do you need distillate? Call 179F3. 12-16-tfc-61

Sale Bills PRINTED

If you intend to have a sale get our prices

We are fixed for turning out work of this kind in double-quick time.

Special Ham Sale

Saturday Dec. 18th

PURITAN SKINNED HAMS At Per Pound 28c

A large assortment of Candies, Nuts and Fruits for your Christmas—remember, we give special prices to churches and schools planning a Christmas tree.

THE STAR GROCERY

J. S. SHARP, Proprietor

PHONE 48 FREE DELIVERY

JEWELRY: The Gift Everlasting

Jewelry as a gift is always in order and too it always lends just the proper dignity to the occasion.

FOR YOUR APPROVAL WE SUBMIT:

Gifts for the Ladies

- New Pattern Manicure Sets
- Rogers and Community Silverware in new style cases.
- Beautiful Diamonds
- Diamond Bracelets
- Dinner Rings
- Pearls
- Wrist Watches
- Vanity Cases
- Week End Fitted Cases
- New Hand-Laced Leather Bags
- Mesh Bags
- Roll Manicure Sets

Gifts for the Men

- Watches, Elgin, Hamilton, Gruen and Waltham
- Watch Chains
- Watch Charms
- Cuff Links
- Cigarette Cases
- Schaffer Fountain Pens
- Hand Laced Bill Folds
- Pencil Sets
- Knives
- Merscham Pipes
- Shaving Sets
- Belts and Belt Buckles

We shall be more than pleased to help you solve your gift problem. If you do not see just the appropriate gift listed come in and let's talk it over. If it is Jewelry or Silverware we have it. Our plan to aid you is simple, there is no waits or delays. We handle standard brands that are guaranteed to give satisfaction.

THREE EXTRA SALES PEOPLE TO ATTEND TO YOUR HOLIDAY WANTS

We are also holding our formal opening Saturday, December 18th, in connection with the Sweet Shop opening and extend a very cordial invitation to everyone to pay us a visit and look our new store over.

A Small Deposit Will Hold Any Article Until Christmas

7 More Shopping Days Till Xmas

E. T. Jernigan

Call Lucky 13 For Correct Time

CALRSBAD CAVERNS GET \$19,800 FROM NATIONAL PARK FUND

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Carrying a total of \$259,386,000 of which more than four-fifths is for civil and Spanish war pensions, the bill appropriating funds for the interior department for the fiscal year beginning July 1, was reported Friday to the house.

The bill's total, including \$222,708,000 for pension bureau, represented an increase of \$32,063,000 over the current appropriations, but a decrease of \$1,151,000 below the budget estimate. The appropriations committee, in reporting the measure, said most of the advance was made necessary by pensions increases authorized by congress last year, raising the bureau's total \$28,787,000 in the present bill.

For reclamation work on western projects, \$11,681,000 was provided, an increase of \$4,062,000 over funds now available. Of this \$450,000 was allotted for the Baker project in Oregon. The committee, in recommending the expenditures, asked congress to assume responsibility for starting the project, adding:

"This project, several times recommended for construction by the department of interior and five times approved by congress through appropriations, is not held feasible by the present secretary of the interior, who declines to proceed with its construction except under an appropriation in form relieving him from the necessity of finding the project feasible.

"The committee recommends a new appropriation stripped of all conditions and under which congress assumes the responsibility for feasibility of construction. The committee makes this recommendation after careful consideration and believes the more desirable use of money from the reclamation funds than some projects approved by the present interior secretary."

Other appropriations were as follows:

Indian bureau \$12,595,000; a decrease of \$301,000, under current funds; National Bank service \$3,363,000, decrease \$336,000; general land office \$2,297,000, decrease \$41,000; Geological survey \$1,807,000, decrease \$11,000, and for continuing construction of the Coolidge dam in Arizona, \$750,000.

Because of Secretary Work's disapproval of any salary increase in the service, the committee explained the measure carried no funds for that purpose.

Asserting that attendance in national parks had increased 38 per cent in the last three years, the committee recommended an increase in the authority to incur obligations to the amount of \$2,500,000 instead of \$1,500,000, as proposed by the budget, for road construction.

"If the recommendation should be approved the report said, it would stand responsible for an expenditure of not less than \$2,500,000 per year for road construction in the parks."

The committee in making the recommendation for reclamation work said:

"It is recommended that moneys advanced by water users for operation and maintenance of projects shall be available for expenditure for the purposes for which advanced and where such funds are expected to be available does not recommend appropriation for operation and maintenance. The committee also recommends a limitation intended to prevent use of appropriations for operation and maintenance of lands in arrears for such charges.

List of Projects.

Specific appropriations include: \$100,000 for economic investigation; for Yuma project, Arizona-California, \$393,000; Orland, California, \$640,000; Grand Valley, Colorado, \$80,000; Uncompahgre, Colorado, \$145,000; Minidoka (American Falls, Idaho) \$1,117,000; Milk River, \$51,800; Sun River, \$1,057,000, both Montana; Lower Yellowstone, Montana and North Dakota, \$100,000; North Platte, Nebraska-Wyoming, \$275,000; Carlsbad, New Mexico, \$50,000; Rio Grande, New Mexico-Texas, \$750,000; Riverton, \$55,000, and Shoshone, \$150,000, both Wyoming.

Colorado river front work and levee streams \$35,000.

National Park Fund.

The \$3,362,000 National Park appropriation was divided as follows: Crater Lake, Oregon, \$63,590; General Grant, California, \$13,650; Glacier, Montana, \$163,300; Grand Canyon, Arizona, \$128,000; Hot Springs, Arkansas, \$69,000; Lafayette, Maine, \$37,940; Lassen, California, \$15,625; Mesa Verde, Colorado, \$50,750; Mount Ranier, Washington, \$108,000; Platt, Oklahoma, \$13,050; Rocky Mountain, Colorado, \$97,620; Sequoia, California, \$109,000; Wind Cave, South Dakota, \$10,850; Yellowstone, Wyoming, \$400,000; Yosemite, California, \$301,100; Zion, Utah, \$30,900; Carlsbad Caverns, New Mexico, \$19,800; South Appalachian national park, \$5,000.

Premature Evidence
An old negro, when brought before the judge, was asked if he were the defendant.

Pointing to his attorney, he said, "Dah re defen'ant. I's the gent'man what stole de chickens."

LOCALS

Roy Blair and wife spent the week-end in Clovis.

Miss Dettler is planning to spend the holidays at her home at Winfield, Kansas.

Mesdames Oscar and Clarence Pearson, of the Cottonwood community were shopping in Artesia Monday.

A mistake was inadvertently made in the notice of the birthday party of Miss Evelyn Keiser last week. The age should have been 12 instead of 13 years.

Mrs. J. J. Clarke, received the sad news Friday that her brother, Oscar Grimmer, had passed away that day at his home at Maringouin, Louisiana, after a long illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Arba Green left today by auto for a holiday visit in Oklahoma and also in Missouri with their two daughters, who are students at the Missouri State University.

Mrs. Lydia Ryerson, daughter and son-in-law, former residents of the Artesia community, have returned from a several months stay at San Diego, California and have located near Lake Arthur.

J. A. Morris, of Portales has recently moved into the Cottonwood community with his family and expects to make this community his home. Mr. Morris is the owner of the old Shapland farm.

Mr. and Mrs. Fremont Jakin and little daughter, Mary Elizabeth, and Jess Crane, all from Kansas, came Saturday for a short visit to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Privett en route to Phoenix, Arizona. The gentlemen are nephews of Mr. Privett.

Mrs. Laura Welsh left yesterday for Youngstown, Ohio, where she will spend the remainder of the winter with her daughter, and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. William Mead. She will be met in Chicago by her son, Edward Welsh, who is a senior at the Iowa State Agricultural College, at Ames, and is going to spend the holidays with his mother and sister.

J. J. Spires, of Portales was here last week looking after business interests. Mr. Spires formerly hailed from Temple, Texas, the home of former governor James E. Ferguson. Mr. Spires was associated with Ferguson in the banking business for ten years at Temple. He is well acquainted with the Ferguson family and stated that he had known Mrs. (Ma) Ferguson from childhood.

Mrs. John Gage and two little daughters and her mother, Mrs. Snyder, arrived last week from Los Angeles to join Mr. Gage here. They are living in the Fay Linell house on Grand avenue. Mr. Gage and young son and his brother, Edington Gage, arrived a few weeks ago from Hood River, Oregon, coming directly through while the family went by the way of Los Angeles to visit relatives.

For Coal Phone 86

Mrs. Luther Horner has been quite sick for the past couple of weeks.

Noel Johnson, of Hope, was transacting business in Artesia Monday.

Marvin Jackson has been at home from Melrose several days the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Dennis and wife, of Roswell, were Sunday guests at the home of Mr. Dennis' aunt, Mrs. Bob Caraway.

Mrs. Bernard Cleve and two little sons, of Elk, and Miss Opal Martin expect to go to Ryan, Oklahoma next week for a holiday visit to their sister, Mrs. Smith.

Announcement was received last week after the Advocate had gone to press that an eleven pound son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Austin Stuart, Sunday December 5th.

Granville Powers came down from Clovis Friday and returned Saturday accompanied by his wife and little daughter, who have been visiting her sister, Mrs. Ike Keller, and family.

Mrs. Anna Block, Dr. Suedane and Mr. Forte, all of Chicago, have been in Artesia the past week, in connection with the purchase of a well and forty acres in sec. 17, owned by the Hurst Syndicate.

The Gypsy Oil Co., has become interested in the oil development of eastern New Mexico and will establish an office in Roswell, according to an announcement appearing in the Roswell Record of last week.

Dr. and Mrs. J. J. Clarke and sons, John and Lawrence, expect to leave Saturday by auto to spend the holidays with relatives at New Orleans and other points in Louisiana. Miss Katherine Clarke, who is a student at St. Theresa's College in Kansas City, Missouri, will join the family in New Orleans for a vacation visit. Miss Flo Marshall, a teacher in the Junior High, will accompany the Clarke family to New Orleans, where she will spend the holidays with relatives and friends.

ARTESIA REFINERY (From the Conoco Sentinel)

Lea W. Clayton, clerk at the Refinery for the past year, has been transferred to the general office. H. F. Hamann was transferred to Artesia to take Mr. Clayton's place.

F. L. Herle, general superintendent of refineries, spent a few days with us on a general inspection trip.

Our superintendent is no longer a "Summer Bachelor." Mrs. Hively having returned after a short visit in Farmington.

B. M. Tanner, after having spent some time with us, left for Wichita Falls.

Never Can Tell

What's the fuss in the schoolyard, sonny," asked a gentleman passing a ward school.

"Why, the doctor's just been around examin' us, an' one of the deficient boys is knockin' hell out of a perfect kid."

Buy Something for the Home

Buy something for the baby.
For Mother, too, and Dad.
A doll for Sister, maybe,
An engine for the lad,
And yet, this glad December,
As up and down you roam,
The finest Gift, remember,
Is something for the Home!

Though something for a minute
Some heart a moment cheers,
The gift with Christmas in it
Is something for the year.
The little gifts are pleasant,
The gifts as light as foam,
But, for the great big present,
Buy something for the Home!

There isn't any other
That hearts will hold as fast,
That pleases Dad and Mother
Like something that will last
A chair, a table near it,
A lamp to light the gleam—
To bring the Christmas spirit,
Buy something for the Home!

The chief mark of distinction between the modern civilization and the barbarian is the refined influences of the home. It goes without question that proper home surroundings has been a contributing factor to the progressive civilization that we enjoy. What then could be more appropriate for Christmas than a gift for the home?

Your Home Should Come First

McClay Furniture Store

"Everything for the Home"

NEW MEXICO WILL RECEIVE \$25,143 FROM NAT'L PARKS

ALBUQUERQUE. — The state's share of the National Forest receipts for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1926 has been apportioned, from which source New Mexico will receive \$25,143.00, according to Albert Morris, district fiscal agent.

The state's share of the net forest receipts, according to Mr. Morris, is provided under the various Acts of Congress. Twenty-five per cent of the net receipts go directly to the counties within which the forests are located for school and road projects, the amount to be allotted for each purpose to be determined by each state, and ten per cent additional included in the above amount, is credited to the Forest Service for the construction of minor roads and rails within the forests.

The amount apportioned to the state this year, from the net receipts is considerable less than previous years due to the waiving of the grazing fees in the southern part of the state. The amount apportioned in 1924 from this source amounted to \$68,000.00. The remainder of the sixty-five per cent of the forest receipts goes to the federal treasury as miscellaneous receipts.

From the twenty-five per cent road and school fund, since 1906, the state of New Mexico has received \$969,000, and from the ten per cent forest road fund it has received \$285,600.

The bobbed-hair flapper has been arrested for making 60 on one of the main thoroughfares of the town.

"What was the big idea of burning up our roads like that?" demanded the judge sternly.

"I was hurrying home to help mother with the dishes," she replied demurely.

"Huh," growled the judge, "you get a year in the jail and a fine of \$1000 for perjury. We would have overlooked the speeding—but perjury will not be tolerated in this country, you can bet on that!"

Mrs. Ranter—My husband says he has knocked off cussing for good.

Mrs. Carter—Do you think he will hold out?

Mrs. Ranter—Well, we will see how he gets by this month's gas bill.

Legal Blanks—Advocate



We have recently added a complete stock of the famous

Sherwin Williams Paints

We have a paint for your every need and will be glad to figure on your painting needs.

Lone Star Lumber Company

Phone 297—On the South Highway



For Your Christmas Shopping

we are receiving many new shipments of Electrical Fixtures.

Everything Electrical. You will find here a complete assortment for your Electrical wants.

RICHARD'S ELECTRIC SHOP

Artesia, N. M.—Telephone 42



FOR CHRISTMAS

A Musical Present

IS OBTAINABLE FOR EVERYBODY

Under the Ginsberg Plan

\$1 DOWN and \$1 A WEEK UNTIL CHRISTMAS—puts a Carryola Portable Phonograph in your home.

\$5 DOWN and \$5 A WEEK UNTIL CHRISTMAS—puts a Radio, the celebrated Stewart-Warner in your home.

\$5 DOWN and \$5 A WEEK UNTIL CHRISTMAS—puts a Grafonola, the Columbian New Process Phonograph, in your home.

\$10 DOWN and \$5 A WEEK UNTIL CHRISTMAS—puts a Piano, a brand new Baldwin, a fine instrument, in your home.

\$20 DOWN and \$7 A WEEK UNTIL CHRISTMAS—puts a player piano, brand new, a fine instrument, in your home.

Freight and delivery to your home paid.

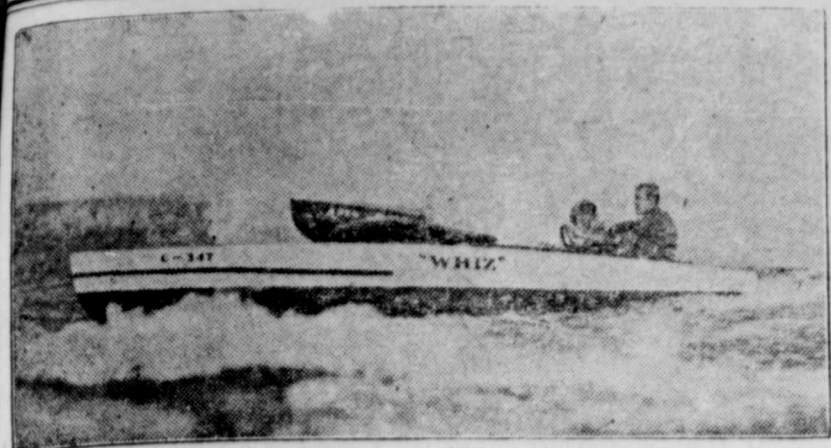
BENCHES WITH ALL PIANOS.

ROLLS WITH ALL PLAYERS.

Convenient terms over a long period of time for payments after Christmas. All our great stock of Musical Instruments available under the same plan. All New Pianos on our floor up to Christmas carry a special discount and easiest of terms.

Ginsberg Music Co.

Music and laughter at Christmas in every home in Roswell and Artesia.



THRILL FOR ONLOOKERS AS RACING SPEEDBOATS COLLIDE

Spectacular action picture of the flying motor crafts in races held at Newport Bay, near Los Angeles, Cal., recently, just before one was sideswiped by the other, overturning it; the photo shows the boats a fraction of a second before the smash.

AN INNOCENT FUNNEL PROVES UNDOING OF A LIQUOR TRANSPORTER

The hat pin apparently is still the ancient enemy of man, even though its use has waned considerably since the coming of bobbed hair. Incidentally the story as told reveals a little secret to the effect that the use of the hat pin is no longer confined solely to the women.

The latest episode in which the hat pin played a leading role is the story of the capture of a liquor violator near Roswell Thursday, an account of which is given in the Roswell Record.

Federal Officer Howard Beacham on his way from Roswell to Alamo Thursday when he noticed a Dodge touring car which in some way aroused his suspicion. He stopped and engaged the driver, a Mexican by the name of Alva, in conversation. Being an inquisitive cuss Mr. Beacham started poking about the upholstery of the car when his hat pin suddenly struck what later turned out to be a bottle of liquor carefully and carefully concealed.

A search revealed that many bottles of liquor were hidden about the car in addition to an improvised gas tank filled with booze. We say improvised, the word regular would better fit the description. The tank was constructed that the booze was secured from a trap door and the lines connected in the regular way. Gas was fed to the car from a common canteen, the canteen being connected with the vacuum tank. The liquor was found in false bottoms of the car, placed in the channels of the frame in the upholstery and in the car pockets.

When the car was brought to Roswell it was stripped and found to contain seventy-two pints of whiskey, nine quarts of tequila and fifty-six pints of tequila. Alva stated that he was en route from Juarez to Amallo, where he expected to dispose of his cargo. He passed over the bridge at Juarez and through various posts of inspectors before beginning his journey to this section.

He was placed under a \$1000 bond to appear before federal court at Roswell on charge of transporting intoxicating liquors.

Mr. Beacham, who has spent the last three days here denies the authenticity of the hat pin story. He states that he is at a loss to know just how the story started, unless it had its beginning in a rumor that some officer formerly captured a load of booze with the use of the hat pin.

It was a funnel which led to the capture of Alva and his cargo, according to Mr. Beacham, who says that when he sees a funnel in a car he did in the Dodge of Alva's is usually a pretty safe bet that there is whiskey near. And so it was the innocent funnel instead of the hat pin that led to the undoing of the Mexican.

For Coal Phone 86

THE CENSUS BUREAU ANNOUNCES AMOUNT OF COTTON CONSUMED

WASHINGTON—Cotton consumed during November totalled 583,950 bales of lint and 62,978 of linters, compared with 568,532 of lint and 75,539 of linters in October this year, and 543,488 of lint and 71,487 of linters in November last year, the census bureau announced Tuesday.

Cotton on hand November 30, was distributed as follows:

In consuming establishments, 1,497,844 bales of lint and 117,915 of and 99,318 on October 31, this year, linters, compared with 1,215,873 and 1,457,456 and 106,702 on November 30, last year.

In public storage at compresses, 6,517,665 bales of lint and 52,913 linters, compared with 5,469,809 and 42,808 on October 31, this year, and 5,206,562 and 36,881 on November 30, last year.

Imports for November totalled 41,441 bales, compared with 30,449 in October, this year and 27,007 in November, last year.

Exports for November were 1,486,224 bales of lint and 11,655 of linters, compared with 1,369,820 and 10,948 in October, this year, and 1,206,786 and 11,156 in November.

Cotton spindles active during November numbered 32,586,770, compared with 32,592,806 in October, this year, and 32,912,732 in November last year.

One-Way Service

Telephone Operator: "It costs seventy-five cents to talk to Bloomfield."

Salesman: "Can't you make a special rate for just listening? I want to call up my wife."—American Legion Weekly.

For Coal Phone 86

NOTICE OF MASTER'S SALE

Whereas, an order was made and entered in the case of Cummins Brothers vs. Sandburg Petroleum Company, a corporation, J. P. Mills, John Sandburg, E. A. Fisher and Sandburg & Fisher, a partnership, No. 4322, on the docket of the District Court of Eddy County, by the Hon. Chas. R. Brice, judge of the said Court, on the 10th day of December, 1926, wherein, a decree was rendered foreclosing a lien on certain real and personal property, to-wit:

The NW¼ of NE¼ of Sec. 9, Twp. 18 S., Range 28 E., and the casing and pipe in the oil well on the said land, One 250 barrel oil tank and 400 feet of two inch pipe, in satisfaction of a judgment rendered by the said Court for work and labor done and performed on the said well in the sum of \$735.00 principal \$58.88 interest, \$75.00 attorney fees and cost of suit \$17.50 and the further cost of carrying this order into effect, and appointing me, F. G. Hartell, special master, to make sale of the said property.

Now, therefore, notice is hereby given that I will sell the said property, or so much thereof as is necessary, to satisfy the said judgment, at public out-cry on the 12th day of January, 1926, at 10 o'clock A. M. to the highest and best bidder for cash, at the front door of the Citizens State Bank in the town of Artesia, Eddy County, New Mex. Witness my hand this 15th day of December, 1926.

F. G. HARTELL,
Special Master.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Corner Fourth and Grand
Rev. John Sinclair, Pastor.
Phone 249

Sunday, 19th December. Pre-Christmas services.

9:45 Sabbath school.

11:00 a. m., morning worship.

Sermon subject: "The Birthday of a Lonely Man." Anthem by choir.

"Bethlehem," (Homer M. Bartlett).

"Nazareth," (G. H. Doudod).

6:15 p. m., Young Peoples service.

7:00 p. m., evening worship. Anthem by Junior choir, Christmas story sermon based on Henry Van Dike's popular story "The Other Wise Man."

Saturday 18th, 2:30 p. m., rehearsal for Christmas program.

Thursday, 23rd December, 7:30 p. m. Pageant: "The Star of Hope" by members of Sabbath school.

A thought for Christmas:

"They all were looking for a king
To stay their foes and lift them high
Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Then came a little baby thing
That made a woman coy."

Candies

We have a complete assortment of Candies for your Christmas, either in bulk or box. We have plenty of Nuts and Fruits too.

SPECIAL FOR THE LADIES

A ready prepared fruit cake, delicious and as cheap as you can buy the materials and make it. Packed in special boxes.

Peoples Merc. Co.
Grocery Department

Formal Opening

ARTESIA SWEET SHOP

Between the Picture Show and Post Office

Saturday, December 18, 1926

A Fine Present for Ladies, Gentlemen and All the Kiddies

Artesia Municipal Band will furnish music from six to eight p. m.

OUR MENU

Consists of complete fountain service with luncheonette in connection. Such sandwiches as:

Chicken Sandwich	30c	Toast, Buttered	15c
Chicken Salad Sandwich	25c	Hot Tamales, Per Order	10c
Clubhouse Sandwich	45c	Chilli Con Carne	20c
Baked Ham Sandwich	20c	Genuine Mexican Beans	20c
Minced Ham Sandwich	20c	Soup	20c
Peanut Butter Sandwich	20c	Pie, Per Cut	10c
Pimento Cheese Sandwich	20c	Pie A La Mode	15c
Cream Cheese Sandwich	20c	Pie With Whipped Cream	20c
Strawberry Preserve Sandwich	20c	Cake and Whipped Cream	20c
Blackberry Jam Sandwich	20c		

We carry the largest line of box and bulk chocolates in Artesia. Plenty of Bunte's Famous Diana Stuff Confections for bridge parties.

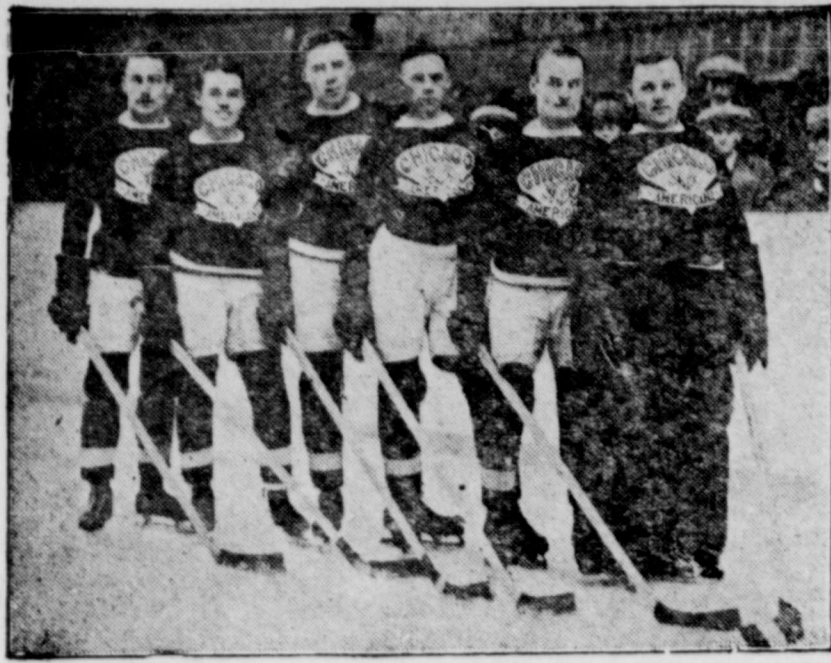
TRY OUR SERVICE AND QUALITY

C. O. GILBERT, Proprietor

Let Us Do Your CHRISTMAS BAKING

We will have a complete stock of Cakes, Pies and Pastries for your holiday needs. Why worry with so much cooking?

City Bakery
Telephone 90



CHICAGO JOINS HOCKEY LEAGUE

Photo shows the members of the Chicago Cardinals of the American Hockey league. Capacity crowds have turned out for opening games at the Coliseum, and hockey chiefs say the future of the sport is assured.

GOVERNMENT MAKES FAVORABLE REPORT ON POTASH POSSIBILITIES

(Reported by Interior Department)
Discovery of potash beds in New Mexico thick enough, rich enough, and near enough to the surface to be mined, if the extent of the beds and the condition affecting marketing of the potash are sufficiently favorable, was made public last week at the Interior Department.

Samples from the core est recently completed by the Snowden-McSweeney Co., on public land included in the McNut prospecting permit, in sec. 4, T. 21 S., R. 30 E., Eddy county, New Mexico, have been analyzed in the Geological Survey laboratories, and ten groups of beds have been disclosed that may be considered of possible commercial interest. Polyhalite is the most abundant potash mineral and the one with probably the greatest commercial interest, so far as this core test is concerned, but there are four beds of sylvite that are potentially workable and a 17-inch bed of langbeinite, which with its associated kainite and halite, is also potentially workable.

Sylvite was first recognized in the United States by the Geological Survey in cuttings from the McNut well drilled for oil on this same permit. Langbeinite and kainite were also first recognized in this country in the cores just obtained from the Snowden-McSweeney well.

On the accompanying partial log of the well the depths, thickness, and percentages of potash in the respective beds are graphically shown. The ten potentially commercial groups of beds are designated by the letters A to J. In the descriptions below the averages given for percentages of K₂O are weighted according to the thickness of the different beds.

A. The five-foot interval at about 794 to 799 feet contains three feet nine inches of polyhalite with associated anhydrite and halite, averaging about nine per cent of K₂O, with an interbedded one-foot layer of salt not included in the average stated that would have to be removed by sorting. Salt and polyhalite are usually so easily distinguished that sorting should be easy and fairly rapid.

B. The most promising group in a commercial sense occupies an interval of seven feet seven inches between 988 feet 7 inches and 995 feet 2 inches. Here there are two beds of polyhalite two feet eight inches and two feet seven inches thick, separated by two feet four inches of salt. The salt could be removed by sorting, and the two polyhalite beds would constitute a mining unit of five feet three inches thick, averaging 14.6 per cent of K₂O.

C. The interval of three feet eight inches between 1267 and 1270 feet eight inches contains beds of sylvite averaging 13.8 per cent of K₂O.

D. The three-foot interval between 1311 and 1314 feet contains beds of polyhalite and sylvite with halite that average 8.9 per cent of K₂O.

E. The richest bed disclosed by the core is a two-foot bed of sylvite containing 18.5 per cent of K₂O and lying between depths of 1365 and 1367 feet. Above this is a bed of halite one foot ten inches thick containing 3.76 per cent of K₂O. The two together form a minable unit three feet, ten inches thick, averaging 11.5 per cent of K₂O.

F. The interval of four feet three inches between 1395 feet five inches and 1399 feet eight inches includes a three-foot bed of polyhalite containing 15.1 per cent of K₂O and a bed of anhydrite one foot two inches thick containing 3.66 per cent of K₂O. The average content of the two beds taken together is 11.9 per cent of K₂O.

G. The four and a half foot interval between 1429 feet and 1433 feet six inches includes a one-foot bed of halite containing 4.1 per cent of K₂O, a seventeen-inch bed of langbeinite containing 17.68 per cent of K₂O, a seven-inch bed of langbeinite, halite, and kainite containing 6.65 per cent of K₂O, and an eighteen-inch bed of kainite and halite containing 3.62 per cent of K₂O. The average content of the group is 8.5 per cent of K₂O.

T. The interval of fourteen feet six inches between 1444 feet and

1458 feet six inches includes at the top a fourteen-inch bed of sylvite and halite containing 14.85 per cent of K₂O and at the bottom a similar bed one foot six inches thick containing 17.85 per cent of K₂O.

I. The interval of two feet two inches between 1569 feet ten inches and 1572 feet includes at the top an eleven-inch bed of polyhalite containing 10.85 per cent of K₂O and below a similar fifteen-inch bed containing 15.35 per cent of K₂O.

J. A sample from the depth of 1762 feet, said to represent a three-foot layer of polyhalite, contains 12.1 per cent of K₂O.

In addition to the groups cited there is a fourteen-inch bed of polyhalite at a depth of 844 feet that contains 13.3 per cent of K₂O, a similar bed at 1130 feet that contains 13.6 per cent of K₂O, and a nineteen-inch bed of sylvite at about 1372 feet that contains 8.83 per cent of K₂O, besides several other beds of less thickness.

The expanding list of potash minerals in the New Mexico-Texas field points again to the general similarity of this field to those of Germany and Alsace, though there are important differences. For example, in Germany polyhalite occurs only in minor amounts and is usually not mined, although such beds would undoubtedly be mined there if they occurred in the thickness and quality represented by the beds shown in the core from the Snowden-McSweeney well.

The discovery of potash beds of the type here described confirms the original discovery of Udden and fulfills the expectations of the Geological Survey, which for more than fifteen years has been conducting an active search for potash among many sources. A large share of this time has been devoted to the Texas-New Mexico field, in cooperation with the Texas Bureau of Economic Geology or independently.

The discovery of potash in this well by the Snowden-McSweeney Co. was incidental to the boring for oil, but the company has since cooperated to the fullest extent with the Geological Survey in its potash investigations and is now planning an extensive exploration of the deposits revealed in the first core test.

When Rachel Cohen left her dad Isaac's store to get married, every one was happy except the bride's father. Asked why he was so gloomy, Isaac said: "Well, it don't seem right dat I have to give Rachel away."—Good Hardware.

For Coal Phone 86

LETTERS TO SANTA

Artesia, New Mexico,
December 9, 1926.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a nice tricycle, sewing set, cow girl suit and a tea set for Xmas. I am a little girl five years old and I have a little sister two years old. Her name is Berda Irene and she wants a tricycle, a doll and a stick horse. Bring candy, nuts and oranges for both of us.

ANITA ANN EVARTS
905 Grand Ave.

Artesia, New Mexico,
December 11, 1926.

Dear Santa Claus:
For Christmas I want a wrist watch, a little electric stove and a real pretty walking mama doll that has long black curly hair and two little Chinese dolls.

MARION GRACE KYLE

Artesia, New Mexico,
December 11, 1926.

Dear Santa Claus:
For Christmas I want a little kodak and a little picture album and lots of candy and nuts and then two little Chinese dolls and that is all.

GERTRUDE MEEK.

Artesia, N. M.
Dec. 15, 1926.

Mr. Santa Claus,
My Dear Santa:
Will you please bring me a baby doll that has sleepy eyes, a black and red beaded purse, a bottle of perfume and a nice handkerchief, some candy, fruit and nuts. I am nine years old and in the 5th grade.
Don't forget all the little children.

Your dearest friend,
Dorothy Sue Kuykendall.
612 S. Wash. St., Artesia.

Artesia, New Mexico
Dec. 14, 1926.

Mr. Santa Claus,
Dear Santa:
Will you please bring me a little doll cart, a little baby doll with sleepy eyes and a set of dishes and canny, fruits and nuts. I have been a real good little girl this year.
Dear Santa please remember all the little children.
Your dear little friend,
Jean Kuykendall.

The following unsigned letter was received at this office yesterday. The envelope bore the return of Abe Conner and we are at a loss to know whether Abe or one of his children is the author of the unsigned epistle. If its Abe we fear he is asking the old gentleman for too much, but he has our sincere best wishes for the fulfillment of his desires.

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a tractor and a plow, a little car and airplane.

You Try It

Grocer: "I sent a dollar to a firm for a cure for my horse that slobbers."
Salesman: "What did you get?"
Grocer: "A slip of paper on which was written: 'Teach him to spit.'"

Irate Parent (from head of stairs)
—Edith, hasn't that young man any home?
Daughter—He has now, papa. I've just accepted him.

Willie—What did I learn today, teacher?
Teacher—Why do you ask?
Willie—They'll want to know at home.

Advocate Want Ads get results.

TWO BEST MYTHICAL FOOTBALL ELEVENS ARE SELECTED BY FRED COLE

(Continued from first page)
er, who was rated one of the best pass receivers in the game during his football days, and "Chig" Yeager were given first places. Both these men played halfback as much as at end, but both are more valuable to a team on the ends. Yeager is a sure tackler and one of the best defensive end players in the game. Frank Daniels, of old time football and Dee House of the eleven, which just closed its successful season were given second honors. House proved his worth as an end during the past season to all football fans. Rideout, Fatheree, Wirt and others were excellent ends.

Jimmy Carle, who was considered one of the brainiest field generals to ever handle an Artesia football eleven was given first choice as quarterback. Bert Bradshaw, who succeeded Carle at quarter is rated as second choice. Either man could pass, kick or run with the ball in addition to their generalship.

The fullback position went to Fred Brainard, of the squad of 1910. Brainard is suggested by all old time fans as the outstanding backfield man in Artesia football history. He would plow through any line at any time when the game was at its roughest stages. Norman Clyde, a husky, who had much speed, was given second choice. Irvin Martin and J. D. Jackson, of the past few years are also high class fullbacks.

The halfback positions go to Lincoln Feather and Louden Carle. Feather was a hard hitting line plunger and could race around the ends ahead of any opposition. He was one of the fastest backs in the game and was known over the state as a speedy man in athletic circles. L. Carle was a very valuable team mate with his brother, Jim Carle, selected as quarter. L. Carle is the only man who has the distinction of racing through the entire Roswell high school team for a touchdown from the kickoff. Clarence Conner and Tom Bullock are given second choice. Conner, although light, is a speedy back and was the mainspring of the local team for the past two years. Bullock was a kicker and passer of no small ability, as well as a consistent ground gainer. Clarence Kepple, Ralph Davis and Adley McCaw were other outstanding backs.

First team	Year	Position
L. Carle	'25	center
Feemster	'15	guard
H. Smith	'23	guard
E. Welsh	'14	tackle
E. Neff	'22	tackle
T. Rowan	'13	end
L. B. Feather	'23	end
C. Yeager	'14	quarterback
J. Carle	'16	halfback
L. A. Feather	'13	halfback
F. Brainard	'10	fullback
Second team	Year	Position
Stoldt	'22	center
M. Jackson	'21	guard
W. Atkeson	'16	guard
L. Greischer	'14	tackle
Turknett	'22	tackle
F. Daniels	'11	end
D. House	'26	end
B. Bradshaw	'15	quarterback
C. Conner	'26	halfback
T. Bullock	'23	halfback
N. Clyde	'22	fullback

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT AT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

For the past five weeks the teachers and pupils of the Presbyterian Sabbath school have been preparing their Christmas pageant entitled: "The Star of Hope." The main attraction of the pageant will be the beautiful choruses which Mrs. V. L.

Gates has been training the young people to render. It will be given in the church on Thursday, 23rd December at 7:30 p. m. In the pageant the story of the Christmas—a story that never grows old—will be reverently presented in drama and song. The public is cordially invited to this service.

Holiday Reductions

ON
MEN'S
SUITS,
OVERCOATS,
LADIES'
DRESSES
COATS
and
CHILDREN'S
COATS



We have made it possible for Santa to visit you with many useful and practical gifts.

20% off on All Men's Suits
20% off on All Men's Overcoats

You get an extra pair of Trousers with practically all of our Suits.

Special reductions will be given on our entire lots of Ladies' Dresses and Coats, also special reductions on all Children's Coats.

Our stock is large at this time and you will have the benefit of a large assortment to choose from if you come early.

The above special prices will not apply after Christmas Eve night.

Remember the Closing Date, DECEMBER 24th

Peoples Merc. Co.

DRY GOODS

"The House That Saves You Money"



GIVE A FORD FOR CHRISTMAS

Give the family a "Ford Touring, Fordor Sedan or Tudor," "Coupe or Roadster" for any one member. No other gift would afford each or every member of the family any more service or pleasure than one of these models mentioned.

Touring Delivered at your door	\$477.00
Fordor Sedan Delivered	\$652.00
Tudor Sedan Delivered	\$601.00
Coupe Delivered	\$591.00
Roadster Delivered	\$457.00

BALLOON TIRE EQUIPMENT

Call for demonstration and we will show you the new body colors.

EASY TERMS CAN BE ARRANGED

Let us figure with you.

ARTESIA AUTO CO.

Telephone 52—Artesia

Let Us Help You With Your Xmas Shopping

By removing the family washing from the home.

It will give you more time to prepare for the holidays and you will find that our Rough Dry Service cost very little more than doing it at home.

Artesia Steam Laundry

"We Use Soft Water Entirely"

Telephone 96

Send us your Navajo Rugs and Blankets

Trade Extension Days

Saturday the 18th
TO
Saturday the 25th

GET THAT CHRISTMAS SPIRIT—SHOP
EARLY AND GET THE BEST



Seven More Big Sale
Days--Ends Xmas Eve

VISIT FERRIMAN'S AND CUT DOWN THAT
CHRISTMAS EXPENSE

Owing to the splendid response through the past week, we are going to extend the HEART OF THE SEASON SALE, that you may further benefit by the tremendous drop in prices, through our entire stock at a most opportune time of the year. VALUES THAT ARE UNEQUALED



Nightingale Silk Hose at.....83c
Rollins Full Fashioned Silk Hose...\$1.84
Rollins Chiffon Hose.....\$1.54
Silke Wool Hose.....\$1.33

CHILDREN'S SPECIAL

50c Value, per pair.....13c
2 Pair For.....25c

HOSIERY GIFTS ARE SURE TO PLEASE

Special Day Sales

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18th ONLY

500 Yards Gingham, fast color, at per yard.....19c
Chambray Shirting, at per yard.....13½c
Figured Challie, at per yard.....13c
Kimona Crepe, at per yard.....19c

MONDAY, DECEMBER 20th ONLY

Westgate Bleached Sheeting, 9-4 at.....47c 10-4 at.....51c
Pillow Cases, 42x36, at each.....33c

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 22nd ONLY

Sport Dress Flannel, at per yard.....46c & 74c
House Dresses, at each.....98c



Silk Dresses

Second Reduction

\$16.50 to \$20.00
Values at

\$11.79

Visit our Ready to
Wear Department

Ladies' Patent Leather Strap
Slipper at.....**\$2.57**

A BRAND NEW NUMBER

Blankets

IN VERY ATTRACTIVE PATTERNS
PLAIDS AND STRIPES

Heavy Cotton Blankets.....\$2.29-\$2.49

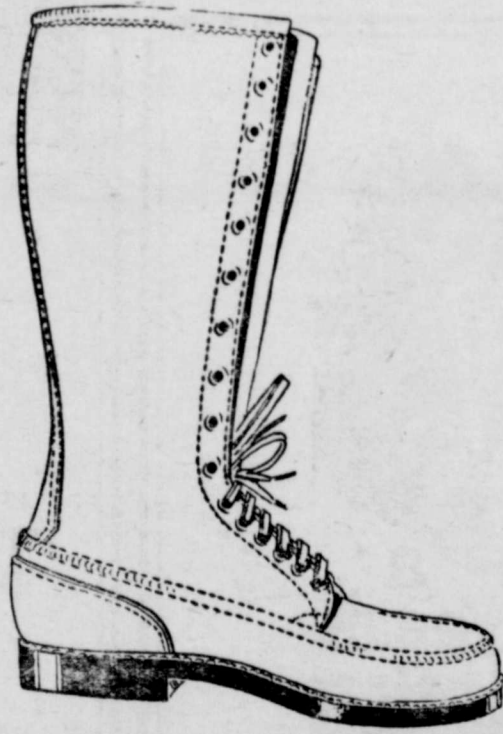
All other Wool and Fancy Blankets at
20 Per Cent Discount

MEN—don't forget those Overall bar-
gains. Priced to suit all—

\$1.17, \$1.37, \$1.47

RUBBER APRONS

50c Value at - - - 19c



Men's Bootee

A 14-inch boot

\$10.00 Regular Price

at

\$7.55

A Real Special!

Mens Oxfords

Snappy Patterns

One Lot\$4.89

One Lot\$3.89

All Dress Shoes
20% discount

Mens Outing Bal Work Shoe, at

\$1.79

All Work Shoes at
20% discount

Ginghams

GUARANTEED FAST COLOR

Peter Pan at per yard.....46c
Zephyr 50c Value, Fade Proof, at per yard.....39c

Feather Ticking at, per yard - - - 24c

GIFTS THAT HE IS SURE TO
APPRECIATE:

Dress Shirts, Mufflers
Ties, Gloves, Hats, Caps
Handkerchiefs, Hose
Trousers, Shoes, Sweaters
Wool Shirts, Lumber Jacks

ALL AT A DISCOUNT OF

20%



Give Him HOSIERY

Silks, wools, fine
lises and mixtures
in plain colors,
clocks and patterns
in a great array
for gift giving at
these prices—

43c, 47c, 67c

ENTIRE
STOCK
ON SALE

Ferriman and Son

ARTESIA,
NEW
MEXICO



Society

TELEPHONE 217



MRS. LAURA WELSH HONORED

Mrs. Ed Wingfield was hostess to the past noble grands of the Rebekah lodge and a few other lodge members at a delightful party last Friday evening, complimentary to Mrs. Laura Welsh, who left yesterday for an extended eastern visit. A fortune teller from Roswell, Madam Vivivote, made things interesting for the guests upon their arrival, and reminiscences of the early days of the lodge furnished material for a whole evening's entertainment. There were five charter members present, who helped organize the lodge some eighteen years ago. They were Mrs. Anna Spencer, Mrs. Laura Howard, Mrs. Lela Richards, Mrs. Belle Muncy and the honor guest, Mrs. Welsh. There was present also two past presidents of the Rebekah Assembly—Mrs. Laura Howard and Mrs. Nellie Smith.

A by-product of the party was the formation of a Fast Noble Grand's Club. Of this organization Mrs. Effie Wingfield was elected president, Mrs. Avora B. Clayton, vice president; Mrs. Richards, secretary and Mrs. Theresa Caraway, treasurer. Refreshments of cake and coffee were served by the hostess.

The noble grands and guests present included Mesdames Laura Welsh, Anna Spencer, Lela Richards, Theresa Caraway, Mattie Story, Grace Cole, Nellie Smith, Laura Howard, Alvena Stone, Nora Clayton, Belle Muncy, Beulah Jones, Merle Story, Corinne Lanning, Mattie C. Evans, Nellie Buckles, Myrtle Jackson, the Misses Ella Bauson, Effie McCaw, and Linna McCaw and the hostess, Effie Wingfield.

The Noble Grand's Club will meet once a month, the first meeting being at the home of Mrs. Evans the second Friday evening in January.

BOOSTER BAND HAS PARTY

The Booster band of young folks, who helped materially to make the recent revival at the Baptist church a success, got together for a social good time in the Sunday school room of the church last Monday afternoon at four o'clock. There were thirty-five there with Rev. and Mrs. Simmons as chaperones and there was a thoroughly good time for a couple of hours. A wienie and marshmallow roast constituted the refreshments.

MRS. JAMES HONORED

Mrs. Harriet James, of Malaga was the honor guest at a bridge party given by the Misses Velma Smith and Nellie Gray at the home of Miss Smith last Thursday evening. Light refreshments were served. Present were the Misses Helen Sage, Ruth Morgan, Ruth McFadden, Flo Marshall, Merle Malchow, Inez Jones, and Mesdames Corbin, McGinn, John Lanning, Ealen Gage and the hostesses.

BRIDGE LUNCHEON

Mesdames George Welton and Rose Ferson entertained at a one o'clock luncheon last Thursday following the luncheon with a bridge party of three tables. The guest list included Mesdames Wilmer Adams, Rowan, Beecher Rowan, E. J. Brooks, J. P. Lowrey, Jack Albright, F. G. Hartell, Landis Feather, Martin Yates, L. P. Evans, C. Bert Smith and Ben Bowers.

For Coal Phone 86

LOCAL

Mrs. R. L. Carr has returned from Amarillo, Texas.

Mrs. Ora Baker spent the weekend at Carlsbad.

Homer Dunagan was in town from Roswell Tuesday.

Buy Christmas seals and help fight the great foe, tuberculosis.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Boddy spent Sunday with friends in Albuquerque.

R. L. Paris yesterday shipped two cars of cattle to market at Kansas City.

Edgar Bishop was operated upon for the removal of his tonsils last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Horner were up from Carlsbad to spend Sunday with their home folks.

Lloyd Atkeson is expected home from Corpus Christi, Texas next Wednesday to spend the holidays.

V. S. Welch left yesterday for Robinson, Illinois, where he will spend the holidays with homefolks.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Burns and Miss Myrtle Ward motored to Carlsbad Tuesday evening to attend a dance.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack King returned home this week from Roswell, where Mr. King had been a hospital patient for several weeks.

Social Calendar

TELEPHONE 217

FRIDAY

Sunshine class party postponed from this afternoon to Wednesday, the 29th at the home of Mrs. Landis Feather.

Meeting of the Literary department of the Woman's Club at the home of Mrs. A. L. Allinger at 2:30 p. m.

Meeting of the Young Mothers' club at home of Mrs. O. E. House at 2:30 p. m.

Mrs. E. N. Bigler and Mrs. W. W. Ferriman entertain with an afternoon bridge party at the home of Mrs. Ferriman.

TUESDAY

Friday Evening Bridge Club meets at the home of Mrs. McRae.

HOME COMING AT THE I. O. O. F. LODGE

The annual homecoming day was celebrated at the Odd Fellows' lodge Tuesday evening with a grand dinner and social time with a short program. The attendance was unusually gratifying with a large number of new citizens. The most delightful social spirit was manifested throughout the evening and led the company to participate heartily in the games. The supper was served by brethren of the Order, and mostly provided by them, although the ladies helped by providing the more fancy dishes. The program was short. T. E. Hinshaw acted as master of ceremonies and introduced the members. Mrs. John Lanning favored the company with a piano solo in her usual pleasing style, little Bettynelle Lanning made her bow to the public with a sweet little song and C. Bert Smith gave an interesting talk about the Odd Fellows' Home at Roswell. Altogether it was one of the pleasantest social affairs ever given by the lodge.

EASTERN STAR ELECTS OFFICERS

The annual election of officers of the Eastern Star was held at the regular meeting Tuesday evening, resulting as follows—Mrs. Tempy Bates, Worthy Matron; E. H. Perry, Worthy Patron; Mrs. Mattie Story, associate matron; Mrs. Meda Wells, conductress; Mrs. Ida Perry, associate conductress; Mrs. Jessie Morgan, secretary; Mrs. Myrtle Jackson, treasurer.

WOMAN'S CLUB MEETS

The Art Department of the Woman's Club gave an excellent program at the meeting of the club yesterday afternoon. The department chairman, Mrs. J. B. Atkeson introduced the program with a short talk upon the principles of art; Mrs. J. H. Jackson gave a paper upon the "Art Colony at Taos," Mrs. C. R. Blocker, one upon the "Qualities of a Good Picture," and Mrs. Chester Russell, one upon "The Art of Old Mexico." The latter displayed a very handsome embroidered scarf, which is a splendid example of Mexican needlework. A number of the pictures, which have been bought for the schools were also on display. Mrs. Charles Steelsmith was admitted to membership.

Her Disposition

Travers—Your wife is very attractive. I never saw prettier cupid's bow lips.
Jimson—Usually a cross-bow.

DEVELOPED BY USE



"Yes, he's a wonderful musician—plays the piano by ear."
"Is that what has made his ears so big?"

Evolution

When old Dame Gossip tells a tale, You'll note as time elapses She gradually weeds out its "if," Its "buts" and its "perhapses."

Radiotically Speaking

"In radio good reception comes from tight connections."
"Yes, but in business it's quite the opposite, isn't it?"

BIRTHDAY DINNER

Mrs. R. L. Paris entertained a number of young people at a six o'clock dinner last Saturday in honor of the twelfth birthday anniversary of her son, Jesse Carol. The dinner was a complete surprise to the little host and was served at a beautifully appointed table decorated in a color scheme of pink and white, on which a birthday cake with twelve candles was an attractive object. The children who enjoyed the party were Richard Wheatley, Jeanne Wheatley, Maude Olds, Frank Olds, Grace Sinclair, Wallace Gates, Cavett Jackson, Edely Finley, Fletcher Collins, Johnnie Bill Collins, Edgar Bishop, Mary Louise Paris and Jesse Carol Paris.

METHODIST YOUNG PEOPLE MAKE ANGEL WINGS

The "Character Builders" Class of young men of the Artesia Methodist Sunday school met at the church Tuesday evening of this week and worked diligently preparing angel wings for the pageant to be rendered in connection with the Christmas program. They were assisted by a number of young ladies of the Epworth League, who covered the framework with fabric. Insufficient material necessitates another meeting Friday evening.

Besides these appendages the characters which play the part of of angels will be clad in long white robes. The title of the pageant is: "The Fruits of His Labor." It will require about thirty minutes to render, and will vividly portray the actual conditions of some thousand ministers in their old age. There is no class of citizens which has done more to mould the type of our present civilization than these battle-scarred Heroes of the Cross.

FORTNIGHTLY BRIDGE CLUB

The Fortnightly Bridge Club met at the home of Mrs. C. R. Blocker Tuesday. A two course luncheon was served at one o'clock, after which five rounds of bridge were played. Guests of the club were Mesdames C. Bert Smith, L. P. Evans, Leslie Lee and Neil. A short business session was held for election of officers. Mrs. Albert Richards succeeds Mrs. J. B. Atkeson as president and Mrs. Chas. Brown succeeds Mrs. C. R. Blocker as secretary.

RILEY—PRUDE

Miss Birdie Riley and John L. Prude, both of Hope, were married at Carlsbad last week. Miss Riley is teaching in the Hope schools this year and is well known in the community. Mr. Prude is the son of L. L. Prude, a ranchman of the Hope section.

For Coal Phone 86. 12-16-4tc

MUSIC AN AID TO ADOLESCENT BOY

Also Found Effective as Discipline in Corrective Institutions.

Rapid progress in the use of music as a means of discipline in corrective institutions, is reported by the Conn Music Center of Elkhart, Ind. Music is not only being used successfully as a tonic for diseased minds, but is also being found effective in safeguarding youth passing through adolescence.

W. van de Wall, director of the Committee for the Study of Music in Institutions and a criminologist and sociologist who has spent a good portion of his life in experiments along this line, finds that musical work with the insane and mentally weak tends to make the inmates of such institutions forget their idiosyncrasies for a time at least. Musical exercises stimulate their mental activities, as well as their moral reflection. It makes them happier. Van de Wall tells of amazing transformations in patients brought about by music.

"Music does for the abnormal mind identically what it does for the normal," says van de Wall.

"It dispels the gloom of morbid isolation and resultant delusions and hallucinations. It creates a direct, pleasurable, congenial and beautiful environment in tones. It stimulates some of the drowsy patients to vigorous action and many of the anti-social individuals to constructive activities. Even those unfortunates who are too handicapped mentally and physically to fit into the normal scheme of society, under the influence of music quickly drop their pathological moods and reflections, throw off their eccentric behavior and sing, dance, act and talk with full concentration of mind."

"Family Hold Back"

It was a small party, and the dessert stage had been reached, when little Edith said:

"Will dessert upset me tonight, mother, or is there enough to go 'round?"



TO THE ARTESIA ADVOCATE

The entire family will appreciate for the whole year the weekly editions of your home town paper. Send it to a friend, that son or daughter that is away in school—no gift that you can make for the price will be appreciated as much.

In New Mexico, a year.....\$2.00
Out of New Mexico, a year.....\$2.50

We make special rates to students attending school when parents are subscribers—ask us.

"A Possible Mistake"



CITY TRANSFER & STORAGE

Telephone 60

AMERICAN BLOCK COAL

High in Heat—Low in Ash—No Soot—The Kind You Have Always Wanted.

TELL US YOUR PRINTING TROUBLES—PHONE

MAJESTIC CAFE

THE HOUSE OF QUALITY

GOOD EATS

Prompt Service

Prices Right

ADVOCATE WANT ADS GET RESULTS



The Christmas Gift That Keeps On Giving

DAY after day, year after year the new musical invention—Orthophonic Victrola—will provide the music you like best at the time you want it.

The new Orthophonic Victrola cannot be compared with any other musical instrument; it reproduces all music so true to the original performance, that famous artists and musical critics are astounded. If you have not heard one, then you have a real thrill in store for you. Come in today—no obligation. We shall gladly play your favorite selections for you.

MANN DRUG COMPANY
"Between the Banks"



THE CHURCHES

ANTHONY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Corner Ninth and Missouri Sts.
Services every Sunday.
Masses 8:00 a. m. (English sermon); 10:00 a. m. (Spanish sermon).

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY

I. O. O. F. Hall.
Sunday service at 11:00 a. m.
Wednesday service at 7:30 p. m.
Subject for Bible lesson Sunday, December 19: "Is the Universe Inhabited Man, Evolved By Atomic Force."

All are cordially invited to attend these services.

ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH

Sunday school, 10:00 a. m.
Morning service, 11:00 a. m.
Young peoples meeting, 6:00 p. m.
Evening service, 7:00 p. m.
Mid-week prayer meeting at the church, 7:00 p. m.
A hearty welcome is extended to all.

ARTESIA METHODIST CHURCH

Fifth & Grand Avenue.
Rev. Claudius C. Higbee, Pastor
Residence 407 W. Richardson,
Phone 26.

9:45 a. m., Sunday school. M. A. Brown, superintendent.

11:00 a. m., morning worship. Sermon by Rev. J. D. Terry. Anthem: "Savior Like a Shepherd."

6:00 p. m., Epworth League. Miss Gable, president.

7:00 p. m., evening worship. Sermon subject: "The Lost Son." Chorus: "Not Half Has Ever Been Found."

7:00 p. m., Tuesday, Sunday school council.

7:00 p. m., Wednesday, Prayer meeting. Study of Christ's Parables.

4:00 p. m., Thursday, Orchestra rehearsal. Home of Mrs. W. E. Ragsdale.

7:00 p. m., Thursday, choir rehearsal, church auditorium.

7:30 p. m., Friday, Christmas program by Sunday school and young people.

A hearty welcome to "A Home-like church."

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Corner 7th and Grand Ave.

Bible school, 10:00 a. m.

Bible reading and communion, 11:00 a. m.

Congregational song service, 7:00 p. m.

Every member of the Bible school urged to be on hand next Sunday.

There will be good news for the kiddies so let everyone be there, and bring your papa and mamma too.

If you know of any children who are not attending some Sunday school, invite them to come with you next Sunday.

We invite all members of the church that are strangers here, or passing by, to come and worship with us. A most hearty welcome you will find.

BAPTIST CHURCH

Corner Roselawn & Grand Avenue

L. R. Simmons, Pastor.
Phone 123

Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.

Preaching service, 11:00 a. m.

B. Y. P. U., 6:00 p. m.

Evening worship, 7:00 p. m.

Prayer meeting each Wednesday, 7:00 p. m.

W. M. U. meets at the church Thursday at 2:30 p. m.

Choir and orchestra rehearsal Thursday, 7:00 p. m., at the pastor's home.

Our revival meeting, conducted by Rev. R. L. Estes, closed last Sunday evening. Our church has been greatly revived as well as strengthened.

Twenty additions to the church. Three were baptized Sunday evening and the others will be baptized later.

HISPANIC-AMERICAN VETS

MEET AT CARLSBAD

The Spanish-American war veterans, who live in the state held a three day convention at Carlsbad beginning Sunday. The visiting veterans were lodged at the Armory and use Troop B field to prepare their meals. Many features of entertainment were provided for including a trip to the Caverns, an old fiddler's contest and an old time square dance.

RADIO

OR

CAR BATTERIES

\$10.85

AT

Dr. Loucks' Garage

A few made over batteries cheap.

CAN'T USE WATER MONEY IN SUIT WITH COLORADO

ALBUQUERQUE.—Judge Phillips in federal court here Thursday granted a permanent injunction against state officials using \$25,000 from the permanent funds for reservoir and irrigation purposes to carry on a court battle against Colorado over the building of a dam on the upper Rio Grande.

The court action was started following the granting of the dam permit to individuals by Secretary of the Interior Work.

Attorneys for the state announced they would leave it up to the incoming administration whether an appeal or attempt to settle the dispute by negotiation.

Adoring Wife—That child don't get his temper from me.
Loving Husband—No there's none of yours missing.

For Coal Phone 86

GET PEN SENTENCES

The adjourned October term of district court was adjourned suddenly Wednesday morning, after hearing of a few default matters by Judge Brice.

Francisco Valvere and Pedro Domingo entered a plea of guilty to forgery and were sentenced to serve not less than one or over two years in the state penitentiary. They stated that they forged checks of \$13.00 and \$14.00 in order to secure money with which to return to Old Mexico. The forgery occurred at Artesia, and they had been given a hearing at that city by Justice Feather a few days ago, who held them to district court under bonds of \$1,000.00. They have not yet been taken to the penitentiary.—Carlsbad Current-Argus.

Some Country roads are paved with good intentions, and they are adequately characterized by the motorists who use them.



HE'S WITH US AGAIN

America wears a broad grin, as Sir Harry Lauder, Scottish songster and comedian, arrives for concert tour.

TUNE OUT

that interference—new device improves any radio. Eliminates station interference, minimizes static, doubles the distance and volume of any radio set, complete \$25.00

IMPROVED FIVE TUBE RADIO

One dial, 5 stages of amplification, coast to coast on speaker, no squeals, howls or station interference. Exclusive patents, \$100.00 complete and installed.

W. M. CRAWFORD

AT McCLAY FURNITURE STORE

ADVOCATE WANT ADS GET RESULTS

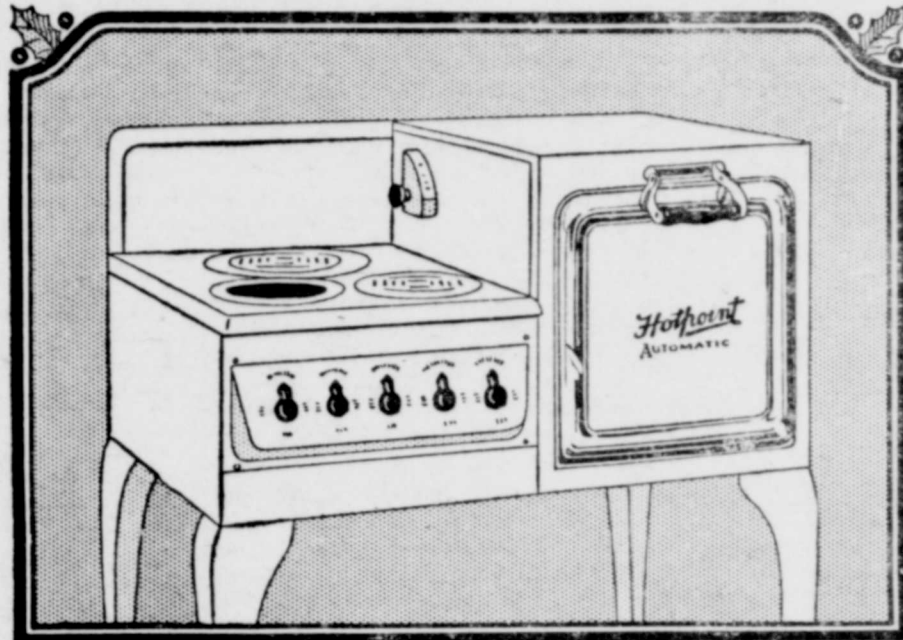
Yuletide Suggestions

Give Useful and Lasting Gifts

Any Electrical Appliance as a Christmas gift will be appreciated a life time and how fitting it is that this should be—for what better expresses the Yuletide spirit of love and friendship than things that add to the joy of living by making the home brighter and more cheerful and relieving your loved ones of the drudgery of housekeeping.

Shop Now!

What Mother really wants



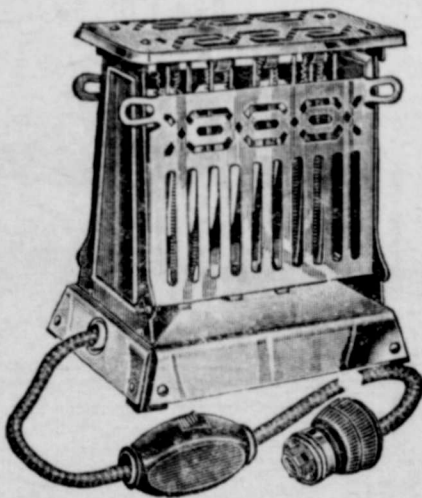
An Automatic Hotpoint Electric Range

We Have Gifts for Everyone

In our establishment you will find just the gift for mother, sister, father, brother or sweetheart. Our stock never was more complete—you will find a wide assortment of all kinds of Electrical Appliances from which to make your selection.

Remember, only 7 more shopping days until Christmas.

Shop Now!



Crisp Brown Toast made Christmas morning and all others—

\$3.75 to \$8.50

WHAT IF:-

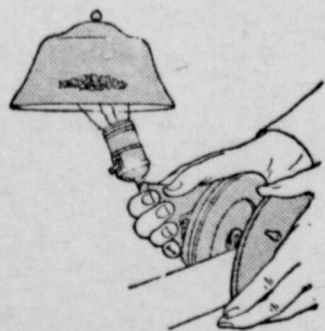
As a token of love or friendship your husband, friend or loved one were to lay at your feet a servant—a servant that would faithfully serve you for the next twenty, thirty or forty years? A servant that would lighten your household duties. A servant that would make you free to spend more of your time in profitable employment, that would allow you to give more of your time to outside interests. A servant that would rest you, a servant that you could enjoy 365 days a year.

Could you think of a more appropriate gift for Christmas? Let electricity be your servant. Perhaps you don't feel able to purchase many electrical appliances you may need this Christmas, but you can make a start and add the articles you need later.



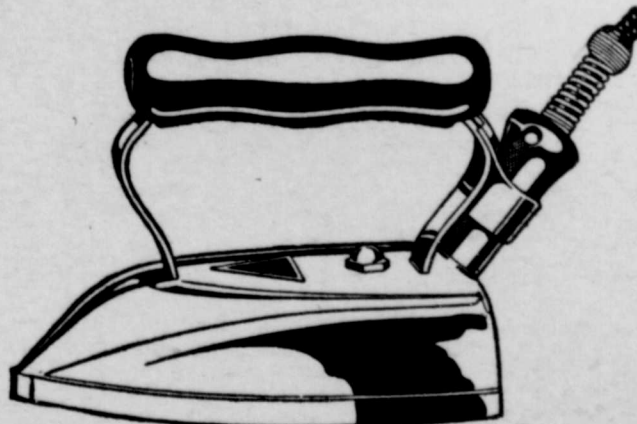
A full line of Floor, Table, Bridge and Boudoir Lamps in sober gray or gay colors,

\$3.00 to \$50.00



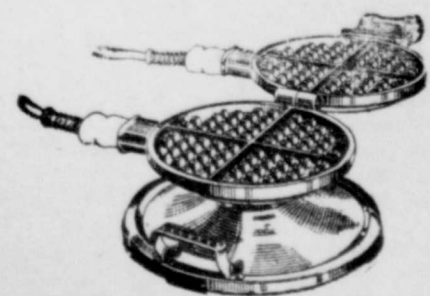
Adjustable Lamps, either with metal or parchment shades—

\$1.75 to \$3.00



SERVICEABLE ELECTRIC IRON Saves fuel bills insures even heat—

\$3.95 to \$7.75



When you give one of our beautiful Waffle Irons you give delicious hot breakfasts from Christmas morning on thru the year—

\$10.00 to \$15.50

Southwestern Public Service Company

ROSWELL



ARTESIA



CARLSBAD

The Judge - It's Good The Wife Wasn't With Him - by M.B.



How to Play BRIDGE

A new series of lessons by Wynne Ferguson
Author of "PRACTICAL AUCTION BRIDGE"

Copyright 1926, by Hoyle, Jr.

ARTICLE No. 9

The bidding in auction is undoubtedly more important than the play, but the difference is not great enough for a player to feel that he has mastered the game when he has mastered the bidding. The play of the hands will always be important both from an offensive standpoint (the winning of the games), and from a defensive standpoint (the saving of games). The offensive play is important when playing with the dummy and it is really remarkable how many players fail to make the most of their opportunities. Defensive play is always more difficult than offensive play because you cannot know definitely what your partner holds. When playing with the dummy, however, a player has twenty-six cards with which to get the best results. There is no guess work connected with it so that if a mistake is made, it is due to faulty use of known materials. The following hands illustrate two important principles of dummy play and should be carefully noted. An analysis will be given in the next article.

Problem No. 11

Hearts — 4
Clubs — J, 10, 8
Diamonds — A, J, 9, 8, 4, 2
Spades — J, 10, 4

: Y :
: A B :
: Z :

Hearts — 10, 7
Clubs — A, Q, 9, 7, 4
Diamonds — K, Q, 10
Spades — Q, 9, 8

No score, first game. Z dealt and bid one club, A three hearts, Y four clubs and B four hearts. Z bid five clubs, A and Y passed and B doubled. All passed. A opened the king of hearts and all followed. A then led the trey of diamonds. How should Z plan the play of the hand?

Problem No. 12

Hearts — A, 3, 2
Clubs — 10, 9, 4
Diamonds — K, Q, 10, 9, 6, 3
Spades — J

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENTS

Hd. RS 2289 7-17-14 159.44 acres.
NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

O28324
MFN

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Las Cruces, N. M. Nov. 11, 1926.

NOTICE is hereby given that Joseph K. Funk, of Lake Arthur, N. M., who, on May 19, 1923, made Hd. entry containing 159.44 acres, No. 028324, for lots 2, 3, SE 1/4 NW 1/4, NE 1/4 SW 1/4, Section 18, Township 16-S., Range 25-E., N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make three year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before S. W. Gilbert, U. S. Commissioner, at Artesia, N. M., on the 21st day of December, 1926.

Claimant names as witnesses:
Monroe Howard,
James Hollingsworth,
William K. Walker,
Walter Bradley, all of Lake Arthur, N. M.

K. D. STONES,
Register

11-18-5t

NOTICE OF PENDING SUIT

THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

To U. E. Campbell
You are hereby notified that there is a suit pending against you in the District Court of Eddy County No. 4331, wherein Lucy Campbell is the plaintiff and you are the defendant, and that the object of the suit is to obtain a divorce and sever bonds of matrimony between you and the plaintiff and for such other and further relief as to which the plaintiff may be entitled in law and in equity.

You are further notified that unless you answer or otherwise enter your appearance in this suit on or before the 24th day of January, 1927, a judgment will be taken against you by the plaintiff by default and for the demands of the complaint and that J. B. Atkeson whose post office is Artesia, New Mexico is attorney for the plaintiff.

THE HOUSE BY THE SIDE OF THE ROAD

Let me leave my house by the side of the road

Where the races of men go by;
For these men are running all over the land

So why in the world can't I?
So I shall not sit in my old arm-chair
Nor dream in the firelight's glow,
I shall build me a house and put it on wheels

Then over the roads I will go.

Let me leave my house by the side of the road

And join all the tourist clan;
Let the wide, wide world be my abode;

Let me tell of the race I ran.
I shall drive my bus till the tires burn up;

I shall eat like a starving man;
Let me chug along till the day is done

Then park wherever I can.

Let me leave my house by the side of the road;

It is much too slow for me;
And the far dim trails that lead on and on

Shall fill me with joy and glee.
Let me live in my bus somewhere on the road

With a wrench and an oily can
And I will wander all over the map
And be a friend of man.

—Blaine C. Bigler in New Mexico Highway Journal.

Says the Deacon

In hoping for the best you may have a mighty good time getting to the worst.—Atlanta Constitution.

In witness whereof I have set my hand and official seal this 7th day of December, 1926.
(SEAL)

G. W. SHEPHERD,
Clerk of the District Court of Eddy County, New Mexico.

12-9-4t

MANY ENROLL IN THE CHEVROLET PURCHASE CERTIFICATE PLAN

More than 40,000 motorists have taken advantage of the Chevrolet six per cent purchase certificate plan since the inauguration of the idea in 1924, according to an announcement this week by the Chevrolet Motor Company. Wide-spread popularity of the plan is accounted for in the money saving features of the arrangement and that through this means it is easy for anyone to accumulate the down payment on a Chevrolet.

The plan was developed and copyrighted by the Chevrolet Motor Company as a result of a survey which showed that the average motorist drives his car three years and pays for it the first year. It was found that during the entire time the car is being operated the purchaser usually makes no provision whatever for buying his next car.

Through this plan, the Chevrolet company has made it possible for the purchaser to accumulate the down payment on a car without difficulty, to enjoy the advantages of buying for cash and to save six per cent on the money invested in certificates. It also enables the motorist to pay something on his new car before his old one is turned in, thereby reducing his later payments.

The Chevrolet Motor Company has made arrangements with nearly 4,000 dealers, whereby the certificate holder gains a credit of six per cent interest on the money invested in the certificate.

Each succeeding month is showing a measurable increase in the enrollment of certificate holders, the company reports, with every prospect indicating a record sale of certificates in 1927.

For Coal Phone 86



BON VOYAGE, GEORGES!

It's goob-by, Brodway, hello Paris, for Georges Carpentier, former heavy-weight boxer, who sailed from New York recently on the S. S. France. But he'll return soon to live here. Here's Georges as he sailed.

Wisdom

Suggests through examination of your eyes, unless you are positive of their normalcy or the accuracy of the glasses you may have.

Lenses not suited to your eyes may be worse than none at all.

"Half the benefit from being right comes from being right in time."

Be right—let us tell you the truth about your eyes.

Dr. Edward Stone
Optometrist

THE REPUBLICANS WILL INTRODUCE ELECTION LAW AT LEGISLATURE

A new election law will be ready to introduce on the first day of the legislature, carrying out the promises of the republican platform, State Senator A. B. Renehan, majority floor leader, announced Friday.

The bill will be similar to that submitted to Governor Hannett by the republican senate caucus with some amendments, corrections, eliminations and adjustments, based to some extent, at least, on experiences in the recent election.

A new feature will be a provision for speeding up election returns, according to Senator Renehan. The intention is to give the secretary of state absolute authority to force county and election authorities to "come across" promptly with the pollbooks and canvassing boards certificates, he said. Now the secretary of state has only moral power with the result this year that the state canvassing board had to postpone its work.

See our samples of Engraving—Artesia Advocate.

Rain or shine we are still putting out one day service in dry cleaning. We have put on more help and are prepared to put out the work. Bring your clothes early and get them the same day. Call Phone 11.

SMITH TAILOR SHOP

SMOKEHOUSE BARBER SHOP
for good service
Ladies Hair Cuts given special attention.
Shine Stand in Connection

THE EDDY COUNTY ABSTRACT CO.
CARLSBAD, NEW MEXICO
Reliable Abstracts
Prompt Service
Prices Right
We Are Bonded
Let us do your abstract work



SAVORY MEATS

We are prepared to fill your family's daily demands for the highest quality meats in town.

THE STANDARD MARKET

Phone 15

At Christmas Time

and every day in the year all the family enjoy improvements to the home such as

- Oak Floors,
- French Doors,
- A new Front Door,
- A Breakfast Nook or
- A Fire Place.

Kemp Lumber Co.

Phone 14

Cor. Roselawn & Texas

The Holiday Season

Now that the holiday season is approaching you'll want the choicest groceries and the best service.

HAVE YOU TRIED US LATELY?

Roselawn Grocery

ARTESIA, NEW MEXICO

Phone 15

Free Delivery

NOTICE!

Effective January 1, 1927, the undersigned will sell for cash with the following exceptions: To those who have paid their monthly accounts promptly we will continue to extend credit accommodations. Interest will be charged on all past due accounts.

Special terms may be arranged on Radios, Farm Implements and other large items.

We request prompt settlements in the same courteous manner that we solicit your future business.

L. P. Evans Pecos Valley Garage and Machine Shop

"Veteran Campaigners"



PAT DUGAN OF DUKE CITY SELECTED AS THE WARDEN OF STATE PEN

Pat Dugan of Albuquerque, has been selected as warden of the state penitentiary.

Governor-elect Dillon announced the appointment last week.

Mr. Dugan has had many years experience as deputy warden and at times was acting warden in charge of the institution.

Interest continues at high pitch in the new governor's official family. There is nearly as much interest in democratic circles as in republican; the former are anxious to know who their successors will be.

The announcement of the remaining appointments is expected to come from Encino shortly. Following the meeting of the republican state executive committee at Santa Fe last week, which made a number of recommendations, Mr. Dillon retired to the quiet of his home to work out the slate.

There is a persistent rumor that Nathan Jaffa is likely to be the chief tax commissioner with John Joerns as secretary.

NEW MEXICO JOINS STATES IN PLACING MONUMENT STONE

New Mexico will be the forty-seventh state of the union to place a stone in the Washington Monument, Dr. E. H. Wells, president of the New Mexico School of Mines, announced yesterday. New Mexico and Idaho are the only states not represented by stone blocks in the shaft.

The New Mexico block, of red sandstone, will be placed in the shaft in February, on the 330-foot level. Senators Jones and Bratton and Representative Morrow of New Mexico having selected the position.

Dr. Wells, who is attending the American Mining Congress, visited the monument Monday and examined the site for the stone at the instance of the New Mexico State government.—Washington Evening Star (by courtesy of W. B. Patole).

AUTO LICENSE TAGS RECEIVED

The first shipment of the 1927 auto license tags were received at Santa Fe last week and arrangements have been made for the issuance of these tags to counties in the north and west parts of the state.

FIND YOUTH IS "HORNING" WAY AROUND WORLD

"Horning one's way around the world" is rapidly becoming a popular means by which Young America is gratifying its "going abroad" urge, according to information reaching the Conn Music Center, Elkhart, Ind. Music is not only the wherewithal which makes it possible for him to satisfy his desire for travel, but it also keeps his pockets rather well-lined.

The American band is found aboard the ships of every flag, and in the capitals of the nations of the Orient and Occident. Members of orchestras provide music aboard boat at comfortable salaries and further increase their earnings through concerts in foreign ports. The story of America's symphonic jazz has penetrated every nation, and the natives are waiting to know more of it. They are anxious to try their luck with America's dance steps, too.

Even the American girls are "horning in" on this free but delectable scheme. When Jack Sutherland returned to the United States recently his saxophone sextette included four American girls. They had stood in Honolulu for their first appearance, then jumped to Japan. From there they kept on going, and playing.

"We were treated like ambassadors," reported Jesse Wright of his fellow members of the S. S. Franconia orchestra, when they docked in San Francisco after circling the globe on one of their tours.

Christmas Giving and Being Happy

How Yuletide Problem Was Solved in Most Satisfactory Manner.

By KATHERINE EDELMAN

JOHN WARNER and his wife sat talking in the living room of their little bungalow until the clock on the mantel struck the mid night hour.

"Good gracious John!" Ellen said. "I had no idea that it was so late."

"That's because you were so interested, dear," John answered; "when it comes to making plans for Betty you forget time and everything else."

Ellen reddened ever so slightly. She knew that what John said was true for ever since Betty had come to them, now nearly six years ago, her whole life had been wrapped up in the child. Hers was which a passion of mother-love that sometimes she grew almost frightened at its intensity, and often when John had laughingly teased her about forgetting him for Betty her conscience smote her.

And now she had talked John into letting her buy the big doll that had been in Harwell's window since the holiday season opened. John had tried to tell her that the small gifts they had already purchased would be enough for Betty, but finally he had given in to her pleading. She agreed with him that twenty dollars was a big sum to spend for a doll, but Betty was Betty and deserved it.

For the Warners were poor—not poor in the utter, abject poverty that stains its face to the world unshamed—but poor in the poverty that means worn and threadbare carpets, clothing grown thin and shiny from long usage, and a careful pausing before the spending of an unnecessary penny. Somehow, since Betty came they had never been able to get ahead; there was always something needed for Betty and she had always gotten it.

Next morning Ellen left the house early, with the wonderful twenty dollars in her purse. Betty had been left next door, all unconscious of the errand her mother was on. Half way to town two women entered the car and sat back of Ellen. They were of the loud, overbearing type of woman, overdressed and contemptuous of those who possessed little of material

things. Scraps of their conversation came to Ellen at times through the maze of her busy thoughts.

"I think it's perfectly awful, I do," one of them was saying, "the way some women do. It's really sinful in these days to be dowdy. A woman's got to wear good clothes to be anybody, and believe me, it's the dowdy women who walk alone."

"You've just said it," her companion answered. "As I tell George when he kicks about the bills, a woman has got to dress nowadays or get nothing out of life."

The words sank into Ellen's brain as her eyes were scanning an advertisement at a crossing: "Be fair to yourself, buy your millinery at Madam Courteau's." And as other words of that ilk floated back from the women they began to stir up a queer feeling inside of Ellen Warner.

Her glance traveled to her dress, her shabby, mended gloves, and her face began to burn as she thought of the little hat she was wearing. She tried to shake off the feeling that was upon her and to get her mind back on her mission, but somehow everything seemed different now in the light of the strange unrest that was filling her heart. "Was she a little fool, as these women had said. Was she fair to herself? Had she, in the little mean things that were her everyday portion and which until now had seemed to her veritable things of delight, cheated herself out of all that meant so much to other women? Had she really been fair to herself in sacrificing so much for her child?"

The car pulled up with a jerk. She alighted quickly and made her way toward Harwell's. Suddenly she stopped short. A sign overhead caught her eye: "Be fair to yourself—buy your millinery at Madam Courteau's." Then her gaze traveled to the window with its array of tempting millinery. And as she gazed her breath began to come quickly, her hands to open and close with nervous, twitching movements. For a little hat in a dull shade of blue caught her eye. She was gazing at it fascinated, for as the sun outshines the stars, so to Ellen did this particular hat eclipse all the others in the window. Somehow, it seemed to her at that moment as if she had been wanting a hat like that

all her life. The little pink rosebuds that nestled around the crown seemed to call and beckon to her, and almost before she realized what she was doing she was inside the store and asking to see the hat. The saleslady, with all the art that was hers, placed it with a skillful touch on Ellen's head. And as Ellen looked in the great mirror she saw a face that was flushed to a rose-pink with excitement, and above it the much-wanted hat, which seemed to be a very part of herself, so thoroughly becoming it was. She wanted the hat so bad! The soft, lovely colors brought out all the charm of her fair loveliness and she thought

how much John would like to see her as she looked now. The thought of her husband brought another thought to her, too. Perhaps all these years, while they had been sacrificing and skimping, he, too, had wished for and wanted many things. Surely he must have! Not, perhaps, things like women cared for, but other little luxuries that many of her friends had. She remembered now how longingly he had often looked toward the golf links—what a big thing it would be if Christmas would bring him the things necessary to play the game. The city maintained a free course not far from their home. And if she wanted so badly to spend twenty dollars for a hat, surely John, who was seeing and hearing things every day, must often have wanted something pretty badly, too. She thought now how wonderful he had always been—never a word of complaint, but always cheery and happy. She realized now, with a bitter feeling at her heart, that she had not been fair to him—she had given their child more than her share of the little they had. But from now on things were going to be different—John must have the best. Betty had many years ahead to enjoy things, and besides she realized now it did not take expensive gifts to please children.

With hands that trembled Ellen reached up and took the hat from her head and, not daring to look at it again, hurriedly left the store.

That Christmas was a very happy one for the Warners. For, although Betty did not get the big doll, she seemed just as pleased and happy as a child could well be. And Ellen felt a new glow at her heart when she presented John with his Christmas gift, for he was as jubilant as a boy about it. Her sacrifice had been indeed worth while—what did a becoming hat matter when put beside the happiness she felt just now?

But the good Christmas fairy must have been watching all, for an hour later John's boss called up to wish him a merry Christmas and to tell him that Old Man Jinson was going to resign and that John would have his place. A wonderful Christmas surprise it was, for it meant an extra five hundred a year to the Warners. Which made it probable that Ellen got her much-wanted hat, after all.

Advice from the older generation to the younger generation is as useful as advice from a boss who is about to be fired to the man who is going to take his place.

Bill the Barber says: A CAT IS SAID TO HAVE NINE LIVES, BUT A FROG CROAKS EVERY NIGHT.

YOU TELL'EM
Speed up—Hard times are not coming—it's soft times going.

They Always Come Back For More
When you see the same cars week in and week out drive up for Oil and Gas you know that they are satisfied Customers.

How long since you drained your crank-case? Better have it done today.

Start and finish that long trip with a smooth engine and an easy mind.

USE CONTINENTAL GAS

Pecos Valley Garage and Machine Shop
Phone 35

SHOWING FOR THE FIRST TIME FOR YOUR XMAS SHOPPING

Novelties in Chinaware and Glassware



ALSO A NEW SHIPMENT OF Bavarian China

See the assorted novelties in Flower Vases, Ash Trays, Book Ends, Console Sets, Spoon Trays, Cheese and Cracker Cut Glass Sets, Cut Glass Water Sets and other articles.

We are also showing a beautiful line of Hand Painted Bridge and Tea Sets.

JOYCE-PRUIT COMPANY

Hardware Department

CHECKOMETER

FORGERY PROOF CHECK WRITER

Protects the amount and payee with one operation. Why take a chance with your checks when you can purchase one of these machines for cash or a small payment down?

JAS. W. DREYFUS

AGENT

431 S. DEARBORN STREET

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE ARTESIA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

FIRST and THIRD MONDAY of Each Month at 7:30 P. M.
Dr. C. Russell, President
J. J. Clarke Secretary

Artesia Lodge No. 28
A. F. & A. M.

Meets first and third Thursday nights of each month.
Visiting members are invited to attend these meetings.

Woodmen of The World
Walnut Camp No. 28

Meets every second and fourth Thursday of the month at 7:30. Visiting Sovereigns welcome. Watch this paper for special meetings.

PROFESSIONAL CARDS

J. H. JACKSON
Attorney-at-Law
Notary Public

Office over Old State National Bank Bldg., Room 1, 2 and 3

S. E. FERREE

Attorney
Notary Public

Artesia, N. M.

DR. LURA L. HINSHAW

OSTEOPATHIC PHYSICIAN
Hours 9 to 5. Others by Appointment.
Phone 75
At Residence Four Blocks South on Gravel Highway.
Artesia, - - New Mexico

J. J. CLARKE

Dentist

Office in Clarke Building
Artesia, N. M.

F. W. COOK

Veterinarian

Albert Blake Residence
106F12 PHONES 87

DR. F. L. WESTFALL

Dentist

Office over Ferriman's Store

H. AUSTIN STROUP, M. D.

PHYSICIAN & SURGEON
X-RAY LABORATORY
Office at Palace Drug Store
87 Office PHONES 217 Res.

DR. J. D. BEWLEY

PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON

Artesia, N. M.
Office Phone 72
322 Main Street

GILBERT and COLLINS

Real Estate, Insurance, Bonds
Compensation Insurance
OIL AND GAS LEASES, OIL AND GAS PERMITS

KISHBAUGH & HEFLIN

Artesia, New Mexico
CONTRACTORS AND BUILDERS
Plans and Estimates
Furnished

JOE A. CLAYTON

CONTRACTOR AND
BUILDER
Phone 145
ARTESIA, NEW MEXICO

W. A. WILSON

CIVIL ENGINEER
ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO
Oldest Engineering Office in Southeastern New Mexico
SURVEYS
UP-TO-DATE MAPS
WELL LOGS
Special attention paid to post-ing Federal Permits and Oil Purposes Surveys

WILSON TRANSFER CO.

SERVICE CAR
OUT OF TOWN HAULING
ANY } TIME
WHERE }
Phone 20
ROSWELL LAUNDRY AGENCY

Oh! Santa

COME SEE THE NICE PRESENTS WE HAVE INCLUDING:

- Beautiful Handkerchiefs of all kinds
 - Silk and Wool Scarfs
 - Men's Belt and Garter Sets
 - Ties and Sox
 - Wool Sport Vests
 - Ladies' Silk Underwear
 - Vanity Sets
 - Shoe Trees and Coat Hangers
 - Garter and Handkerchief Sets
 - Garter and Boudoir Cap Sets
 - Towel and Wash Cloth Sets
- All in nice gift boxes.

"Our Store"

GAME ASSOCIATION PLANS TO HAVE QUAIL SUPPER DECEMBER 26

Members of the Artesia Game Protective Association met in the Legion hall over Brainard Corbin's hardware store Monday evening and perfected the organization which was formed at the previous meeting on December 6th.

The principal item of business to receive the attention of the members was getting the organization details in running order. The Association which had been without a name, will hereafter be known as the Artesia Game Protective Association.

A resolution was passed asking that the state game commissioner place a deputy on the river at the beginning of the year to prevent dynamiting of the fish in the river. This practice has been too frequent in the past and the members of the Artesia association wish to go on record as opposed to such methods.

Two weeks from last Monday evening, the Association plans to serve a quail supper to every member attending. Members will be requested to bring a dressed quail or a turned duck to the Legion hall and turn them over to the refreshment committee, M. Stevenson, Roby Conner or Mr. Fowler, who will be in the hall Monday.

Fines were imposed on Mark Corbin and M. W. Evans, carrying a minimum penalty of 25 cents and a maximum penalty of a box of cigars, on charge of non attendance.

After the business meeting Monday evening refreshments of sandwiches and coffee were served to all members present.

ARTESIA WINS FIRST BASKET BALL GAME OF FRIDAY SEASON HERE FRIDAY

(Continued from page one) end of an eight to four score.

It was in the last half of the game that the Bulldogs hit their stride in placing the ball. Hoffman, Bulldog forward, started in tossing the goal. Likewise Jernigan, Bulldog forward did his share in the goal throwing contest and helped to pile up a margin that gave the game to Artesia.

While the season has barely started, the dope gives Artesia a splendid chance to cop the valley championship. The two strongest contenders to be met are the Lake Arthur and Hope teams, with Lake Arthur holding a slight advantage over the former team.

Friday evening the Bulldogs meet Lake Arthur on the Lake Arthur court.

The following line-up appeared in the Roswell-Artesia game here last Friday evening:

Artesia	Position	Roswell
Jernigan	F	Teague
Hoffman	F	Packenham
Middleton	G	Gross
Fleming	C	Corn, G.
Jackson, J. D.	G	Cagle
Artesia:	Mann	substituted for Middleton.
Roswell:	P. Corn	substituted for Cagle.

LOCAL COTTON MARKET

The local cotton market remained fairly steady this morning. Middling cotton was selling around twelve to twelve and a half cents.

Do you need distillate? Call 179F3. 12-16-tfc-6i

Advocate want ads get results. Legal Blanks—Advocate

TWO LIQUOR STILLERS ARE CAPTURED WHEN OFFICERS MAKE RAID

Two arrests were made the first of the week on liquor charges. Nat Camp, a rancher, living east of here about thirty-five miles was arraigned before U. S. Commissioner S. W. Gilbert, Monday on charge of manufacturing mash and possession of a liquor still. Camp's arrest was effected by M. Stevenson, marshal and Howard Beacham, special federal officer from Alamogordo. The defendant had in possession at the time of the officers visit to his premises, a still, four, fifty-gallon barrels of mash, two ten gallon kegs of mash and a five gallon keg of mash. The paraphernalia, stove and mash was concealed in a large dug out. Officers found where the still had been in operation some five miles west of where it was finally located.

Camp is understood to have pled guilty as charged and was put under a \$500 bond to appear before the federal court which meets at Roswell in January.

Sandiego Valley, a tenant on the W. M. Schneider farm, south of Artesia, was arrested by officers M. Stevenson and Beacham Tuesday and was brought before U. S. Commissioner S. W. Gilbert here, charged with possession and manufacture of intoxicating liquor. Valles had in his possession at the time of his arrest, a still, two pints of whiskey and twenty gallons of mash.

In making a statement Valles is understood to have confessed that he had been making liquor for the past year. He pled guilty as charged and his bond was set at \$750 to appear in federal court at Roswell, January 5th.

Uttermost Accomplished

Our part is to choose out the most deserving objects, and the most likely to answer the ends of our charity, and, when this is done, all is done that lies in our power.—Atterbury.

Time's Changes

"Times ain't like dey used to be," said Uncle Eben. "De streets is so full of automobile horns dat dar don't seem scarcely no room for a brass band."—Washington Star.

Freezing Quicksands

To make it possible to operate in quicksands, engineers are accustomed to congel them by forcing into them brines and other liquids at low temperatures.

Painful Extraction

Gas is generally supposed to ease the pain. But it doesn't seem to when we have to pay an extra cent or two for automobile "gas."—Los Angeles Times.

Making Traveling Easy

If they make motor busses much longer, passengers will be able to reach their destinations by merely stepping over the seats.

The Bald Blonde

A Viennese clerk sued for divorce because, after marriage, he found that his wife—a beautiful blonde—was as bald as a billiard ball.

Area of Baltic

The Baltic sea is about 930 miles long by from 50 to 425 in width and has an area of approximately 100,000 square miles.

Think of That

It is improbable that the young people of the present will be the reformers of the future.—Toledo Blade.

Do you need distillate? Call 179F3. 12-16-tfc-6i

1700 FEET PAVEMENT SECURED FOR THE CITY WITH ROAD CONTRACT

Through the efforts of Messrs. Van S. Welch and E. B. Bullock, it is now practically assured that Artesia will get 1700 feet of additional concrete paving when the work on the highway leading north from town is started. This will give Artesia an outlet to the north running passed the stock pens to Eagle draw.

The original cost of this strip of pavement will cost approximately \$12,000, but if included in the road program, the cost to the city or to the townspeople will be \$3,500, the remaining cost of construction to be paid by the state and federal government.

Messrs. Bullock and Welch made a canvass of the business section here last week in the interest of the road fund and report that their efforts met with splendid cooperation among the business men. Not all of the fund necessary for the construction of the road had been pledged early in the week, but enough to practically insure the success of the undertaking. The 1700 feet of concrete will be included in the survey of the proposed highway to the county line, on which construction will soon start, if nothing hinders.

The additional concrete on the north roadway will give Artesia more than a mile of pavement on the roads leading into the city.

Poison Ivy Hit Colonists

Poison ivy was one of the most aggravating pests found in the new world when the colonists first came to America. In fact, Capt. John Smith, as early as 1609, wrote of having found it, and gave a very accurate description in some of his records of the effect of the weed. Strangely enough, he was never poisoned by it himself, but saw the sufferings of others on a number of occasions.

Old Pleasure Recalled

In these days of modern apartments, it is wondered how many can recall the pleasure derived on a rainy day from climbing the old attic stairs, and to the tune of raindrops pattering on the tin roof, rummaging in one of the numerous trunks or boxes under the eaves, or settling down in a comfortable spot to pore over the pages of back numbers of a popular magazine.

Odd Wedding Present

One of the most coveted of wedding gifts among the natives of the Argentine, it is said, is a lot of 100 or more old tin cans. These are used by the bride couple in the construction of their house. Hence the cans, usually discarded in the United States, takes on unusual value in the land around the underside of the world.

First Reason Enough

As Henry IV of France entered a small French town, the usual salute was not forthcoming. The mayor of this town offered his apology in these terms: "Sire, we did not fire a gun for three reasons. The first is that we have no gun."—The Outlook.

Two Kinds of Hermits

Here is Wall Street's favorite story of the month. A widow raised two sons in whom she had great hopes for a brilliant future. Eventually one became a hermit and the other vice president of a bank. And nothing was heard of either again.—Nation's Business Magazine.

Use Good Nails

Just as "no chain is stronger than its weakest link," so is a shingled roof no more enduring than its nails. One would not build an expensive house on a short-lived foundation, and it is equally false economy to use a short life nail with a long-life shingle.

Size of Bass

Small-mouthed bass do not grow nearly as rapidly as the large-mouthed. A two-year-old small-mouth in ordinary southern Michigan water will reach seven or eight inches in length; while the large-mouth will show nine to ten inches growth in the same period.

Riches From Jungle

Deep in the jungle of the Colombian republic, South America, where there is a rainfall of 300 inches a year and an average temperature of 90 degrees, two American-made dredges extract platinum from the bed of a river.

Future Possibilities

Perhaps the future lies with smaller groupings of population—big enough to be sociable and amusing, small enough to let everyone have sufficient fresh air, sunlight and room to stretch.—Collier's Weekly.

Marvelous Human Eye

The eye is the first circle; the horizon which it forms is the second, and throughout nature this primary figure is repeated without end. It is the highest emblem in the cipher of the world.—Emerson.

Do you need distillate? Call 179F3. 12-16-tfc-6i

For Coal Phone 86. 12-16-4tc

PRE-CHRISTMAS SALE!

We find our shelves and racks overstocked on many items at this season, good seasonable merchandise that we are willing to sacrifice our profit rather than invoice at the first of the year, such as:—

- 175 MEN'S AND BOYS' SUITS
- 75 MEN'S AND BOYS' OVERCOATS
- BIG LOT MEN'S SHEEP-LINED LEATHER COATS AND BLAZERS
- BIG ASSORTMENT OF ALL-WOOL BLANKETS
- Many other items too numerous to list.

Ladies' Dresses, Coats and Hats will be specially priced to sell. We positively will not allow goods to accumulate from season to season.

Do not miss this opportunity to save big money on these wanted items.

JOYCE-FRUIT COMPANY

PICKED UP ON MAIN

Dutch Hornbaker says that every time the Artesia Rotary club has a republican guest at the weekly luncheon, Mike O'Rilley, king of Irish serves spiked pie—Come on all you republicans.

HOW TO MAKE YOUR CAR BUCK

Just ride over most any of Artesia's unpaved streets after a wet spell. Remember the rules of the contest, don't claw the upholstery or use spurs with shanks over three inches long in attempting to stay in the seat.

Monday, Albert Richards announced rather proudly that he heard a

12,642 BALES COTTON GINNED UP TO NOON HOUR OF YESTERDAY

A total of 12,642 bales of cotton has been ginned by the upper valley gins, according to a report furnished us by William Baskin, yesterday at noon. The ginners follow:

Farmers Gin Co., Roswell	1,339
Roswell Gin Co., Roswell	1,039
Farmers Gin Co., S. Springs	1,344
Oasis Gin Co., E. Plains	1,364
Dexter Gin Co., Dexter	1,369

rooster crow over the radio about seven that morning. That's nothing to brag about according to Los Gatos as he heard a rooster crow about four the same morning and there's not a sign of a radio on Gator's place.

IN POLICE COURT

Bob Luce, charged with possession of intoxicating liquor; fined \$150.00 and costs.

Greenfield Gin Co., Greenfield	804
Hagerman Gin Co., Hagerman	684
Farmer Exp. Gin, Hagerman	1,078
Lake Arthur Gin Co., L. Ar.	842
Association Gin Co., Espula	930
Association Gin Co., Artesia	921
Farmers Gin Co., Artesia	1,051
Associatic Gin Co., Atoka	1,055

Total 12,642

Do you need distillate? Call 179F3. 12-16-tfc-6i

For Coal Phone 86. 12-16-4



FOR THE MEN

- Smokers
- Kodaks
- Cigars
- Desk Sets
- Desk Lamps
- Cigar Humidors
- Purses
- Key Purses
- Cigarette Cases
- Cribbage Boards
- Military Sets
- Stationery
- Watches
- Bibles
- Fountain Pens
- Pencils

FOR THE LADIES

- Perfume Sets
- Perfume Atomizers
- Bed Room Lamps
- Vaporizers
- Toilet Set
- Kidaks
- Memory books
- Purses
- Bob Hair Set
- Manicure Sets
- Comb, Brush and Mirror Sets
- Stationery
- Water Sets
- Chinaware
- Bridge Sets
- Fruit Bishes

FOR THE CHILDREN

- Dolls
- Harmonicas
- Balls
- Checkers
- Flinch
- And many other articles too numerous to mention.

We invite you to come and see our Christmas display. You will find a suitable gift for any member of the family.

Palace Drug Store

The Home of Pure Drugs

Artesia, New Mexico

Telephone 1