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## Robinson No. 2 Making Oil And Gas From 4012 ft. Sand

**Conservative Estimates Place the Production of Well at 200 Barrels—Gas Flow is Said to be Million And Half Feet.**

An optimistic report comes from the Robinson No. 2 of the Texas Production Co., NW SW sec. 25-16-31, this week after encountering twenty-five feet of sand from 3985 to 4010 or 4012 feet, we believe is the corrected depth. The sand in the No. 2 well was found just an even hundred feet deeper than in the No. 1, if the present measurements are correct. The well is said to be making a million and a half feet of gas and spraying oil. Conservative estimates place the production of the well at 200 barrels, although estimates run from 100 to 500 barrels production. Workmen are now connecting the flow line with the No. 1 well, located about 1700 feet to the east and will install a separator at once. The production of the well will be shut until after the holidays. It is understood that the intention of the officials is to test the production and drill deeper.

Further developments in the field are not anticipated until after the first of the year due to inclement weather and to the coming holidays. The entire eastern slope is a blanket of snow and some of the drillers have experienced considerable difficulty with frozen lines. The Western Drilling Co. is moving materials to start the first of the three tests to be drilled soon by the Getty Oil Co. The material being assembled on the Ada Nicholas permit in the NW NW sec. 25-20-29.

In southeastern Lea county, the Marland Oil Co., is moving materials for their No. 1 well in the SW NE sec. 19-26-37.

In Chaves county, the Manhattan Oil Co. of Kansas City, Mo., has made a fifty fifty contract with the Arena Oil Co., to drill the test started by the latter in the NE 1/4 sec. 1E-13-31 to a depth of 3500 feet. This well was carried to 780 feet by the Arena, but owing to numerous difficulties, among which was a cavity hole, little drilling progress has been made in the past three weeks. Announcements were made here yesterday that the hole had been cleaned out and the test had been put in first class shape and drilling started below 700 feet.

The first shot was made by the director, Henry J. G. From Marion Ruth to Santa.

The well was of 5383 feet. So far as record goes this was the deepest that ever placed in a well in this section. Cleaning out operations are now underway and little is known as to the results of the shot. The second and third shots will be placed in the test as soon as the (Continued on first page, column 1)

## ARTESIA BASKETEERS LOSE TO LAKE ARTHUR FRIDAY---SCORE 15-27

The local high school basketball quintette lost another scheduled game Friday evening when they met the fast Lake Arthur team at Lake Arthur. So far the Bulldogs have lost all games, but the showing made thus far is partly accounted for by the fact that the locals are handicapped by lack of practice. Delay in completing the new gym in the central school building has forced them to play the scheduled games on foreign courts and due to the inclement weather recently, practice on an open court has been practically out of the question. However, they gave good account of themselves against the Lake Arthur five, one of the fastest teams in the valley, being defeated by a score of 15 to 27. The line up:

Artesia: Lake Arthur  
Clayton J. Derrick  
Forward H. Bensley  
Forward  
continued on last page Jackson.

### SANTA TO BE HERE SATURDAY AT 2:30

The last word received from Santa Claus is that he will be here promptly at 2:30 p. m., Saturday in distributing the presents on the community Christmas tree. Final arrangements for the community tree have been completed and everything is ready for the appointed hour. Each and every child will receive a present from the tree. Be there.

### A WHITE CHRISTMAS MAY BE ENJOYED IN THE VALLEY THIS YEAR

**Four Inches of Snow Falls Here This Week—Snow Is Reported Over Entire State—Lowest Temperature of Season.**

Mother nature has again come to the aid of those who enjoy a white Christmas. The entire Pecos Valley is nestled under a blanket of white. Snow began falling here Monday evening and continued throughout the night, falling intermittently through the day Tuesday and well up in the evening. Four inches of snow had fallen here up to yesterday morning, according to the measurement of R. W. Bruce, weather observer at the high school station. The snow fall last week amounted to one and three quarter inches with a precipitation of .003 inches. The amount of moisture during the recent precipitation up to yesterday morning measured .018 inches. The lowest thermometer reading was last week, when the mercury registered four above. The amount of moisture for the month measures .38 inches.

Snow blanketed the entire state according to reports from the state capital, Santa Fe, with the temperature dropping to near zero or below in the northern part of the state. Monday night, Las Vegas reported a temperature of eight degrees below zero, the coldest weather recorded for that section thus far this season. El Paso reports the heaviest snow fall in years. The snow fall in the mountains west of here is believed to have been heavier than at any point in the valley. So far no losses have been reported by the cattle men of this section and according to opinions livestock generally will weather the storm in fair condition if the snow fall is not prolonged.

### COMMUNITY CHEST IS IN NEED OF FUNDS TO CARRY ON CHARITY

A local oil man this week exemplified a splendid Christmas spirit, which is worthy of imitation. We had not originally planned to give the matter front page publicity, but it was a \$10.00 check given an Advocate representative by C. J. Dexter, with instructions to see that some needy person enjoys this Christmas, that led to an investigation of the community chest finances.

Members of the Artesia community chest inform us that the finances of this institution is in a bad way and the holiday season is fast drawing to a close, while a number of people are in need. In addition to the checks given by Mr. Dexter and the Advocate, a surplus fund amounting to something like \$17.00 from the community Christmas tree fund will be turned to the community chest fund. Even the last amount added, however, will not be an adequate Christmas fund for the community chest. When the holidays are passed one destitute family will be dependent on the Community Chest, so the problem of finances does not end with Christmas. The Community Chest must have funds or else the dependents will perish. What will the citizens of Artesia do?

If you have not made your donation to the Community Chest, do so at once. It will be acceptable at either of the banks.

#### A. D. HILL APPOINTED WELL INSPECTOR

A. D. Hill of the Cottonwood community has received notification from the state engineers office at Santa Fe, of his appointment as Artesian well supervisor of this district. Mr. Hill succeeds C. V. Brainerd of Artesia, who has served the district in this capacity for the past three years.

Advocate, special ruling and is—Advocate

### Our Christmas Wish to You



### SANTA IS SPEEDING TOWARD ARTESIA--WILL ARRIVE HERE ON TIME

Wireless messages to the Advocate from Santa Claus on his journey to appear in Artesia Saturday, December 24, at 2:30 o'clock.

**North Pole.**  
Monday—I have loaded my sleigh with the help of my Eskimos and started with Nemo, the son of Dawn, in the face of a severe blizzard. My reindeers are loath to leave their warm stables and try to return but we face them into the storm and the leaders, Dancer and Prancer, are swiftly leading us over the miles and miles.

Tuesday, 9:15 p. m.—Crossing the Yukon River, we were surrounded by a large pack of wolves that attempted to eat my reindeers, but Dancer and Prancer, fighting with their large horns, and Nemo with a spear, fought them off and we escaped.

Tuesday, 2:30 p. m.—Near Tryggen we were nearly covered and suffocated in a huge snow slide that overturned my sleigh and covered us over with snow. We were rescued by a party of friendly Eskimos who helped right my sleigh and pack it again.

Wednesday, 11:19 a. m.—In Forest of Good Deeds. Again attacked by wolves as we entered the beautiful evergreen Forest of Good Deeds. We were rescued by the old hermit, Kindness, who drove away the wolves and housed my exhausted reindeers and loaned me his three teams of Siberian Goats.

Thursday, 7:00 a. m.—High Peak Mountain, Canadian border. Everything is going fine. The goats, though not nearly so fast as the reindeers, are doing fine and we are speeding untiringly toward you. We will surely be in Artesia on time Saturday, December 24, at 2:30 o'clock.

#### ARTESIA STORES WILL CLOSE MONDAY

Artesia stores will close Monday to properly observe the Christmas holidays. The drug stores will observe the Sunday closing hours on this date, it is understood. Shoppers should do their buying before Sunday.

#### TEACHERS LEAVE FOR THE HOLIDAYS

Mr. and Mrs. Price Gittinger will spend the vacation at Norman and Woodward, Oklahoma, Mr. and Mrs. Ware will go to Abilene, Texas. Mr. Priest will visit home folks at Superior, Wisconsin, I. P. Davis goes to Ft. Scott, Kansas, Miss Lucile Morris to her home at Hope the Misses Inez Jones and Elizabeth Hogue to Carlsbad and Miss Ruth McPadden to Roswell.

#### THE COTTON MARKET

The New York cotton market reached the high point of the week following the ginning report which was received here Tuesday. The opening and closing of the market is given below since the 16th.

	Open	Close
Dec. 16th	18.66c	18.80c
Dec. 17th	18.80c	18.88c
Dec. 19th	18.76c	19.25c
Dec. 20th	19.37c	19.15c
Dec. 21st	19.08c	18.96c
Dec. 22nd	18.96c	

#### MEXICAN BABY DIES

Mary Gonzales, twelve months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Crenment died Monday night. The cause of her death was not learned. Burial was made the following day.

### NOT MUCH INTEREST SHOWN IN COUNTY POLITICS FOR 1928

Politics appears to be just a bit backward in getting started in Eddy county at present, although the first of the year is expected to make a decided change in the situation. Chaves county, has one candidate with a hat in the ring and the coming election is being discussed with increasing interest. While no steps have been taken by the democratic party leaders with reference to mapping out a definite campaign, this matter will likely receive attention at an early date.

The situation in the county politics is practically on par with 1924. Two county officials will have served their limit at the end of the year 1928 and will therefore not be eligible for reelection, these officials being R. H. Westaway, county assessor and G. W. Grantham, probate judge. Three other county officials holding important offices are now serving their first term and will be eligible for re-election, the county clerk, Mrs. Thelma Lusk; the county treasurer, R. B. Armstrong and the sheriff, Joe Johns. Mrs. Wilma Dillard, who was appointed county superintendent at the death of Mrs. A. A. Kaiser, was elected to this office in 1925 and will be eligible for this office another term.

Of immediate interest to voters of this section is a district office, that of county commissioner, G. R. Brainard, the present incumbent will have served his allowed time at the end of 1928. C. E. Mann of Artesia has announced his candidacy for this office, but whether there are any more receptive candidates at this time is not known.

So far as the present indications go, some other section of the county will furnish material for the county officers, however, none of the county officers have yet been known to go begging and it is expected that plenty of timber will be available at the proper time.

#### HAY BARN BURNS

The large hay barn, belonging to Charley Rogers, located southeast of Artesia, was destroyed by fire yesterday afternoon at 2:30 p. m. Complete information as to the origin of the fire was not available here yesterday. The blaze destroyed both the building and contents according to information reaching here.

#### WILL GIVE HOME GROWN TOBACCO A TEST

W. E. Ragsdale has prepared a sample of his home grown tobacco and forwarded it to the American Spuff Co., at Hopkinsville, Kentucky for a test. The sample was grown on the Brainard farm, southeast of Artesia this year and is thought to be of a high grade. The only difficulty encountered in getting the weed to cure properly. Artificial moisture was used, due to the extreme dry weather. Even with this obstacle Mr. Ragsdale believes that his home grown product will rate high.

The result of the test will be watched with interest. If successful, it may mean that a new agricultural resource will be added to the Pecos valley.

#### 139 BALES FROM NINETY ACRES AT CARLSBAD

Francis G. Tracy, of Carlsbad comes forward with another cotton yield record. From 90 acres of long staple cotton he has harvested 139 five hundred pound bales.

Advocate want ads get results.

### AUTO LICENSE FEES MUST BE PAID THIS MONTH

SANTA FE.—With but 16,000 of an expected 40,000 applications for motor vehicle licenses for December received, Assistant State Comptroller H. C. Roehl announced a penalty of 25 per cent postively will be added to motor vehicle license fees after January 1. Roehl said extensions had been granted in previous years because the tax rolls were not completed in time, which is not the case this year.

### 16,820 BALES GINNED IN NORTH VALLEY TO AND INCLUDING 20TH

Three Hundred-forty Eight Bales Are Ginned During The Week—Two More Gins Close the Ginning Season This Week.

A total of 16,820 bales of cotton had been ginned by the north valley gins through and including the 20th, according to tabulations compiled by Mr. Wilde, plant quarantine inspector. Three hundred and forty-eight bales have been ginned since the last report. On the same date a year ago 13,120 bales had been ginned. Two gins of this section, the Association gins at Espula and Atoka, closed the ginning season this week. About twenty-five more bales remain to date have turned out 5,060 bales as compared with approximately 5,200 bales last year.

Roswell, two gins	2,542
Oasis Gin Co.	1,038
South Springs Gin Co.	1,759
Dexter Gin Co.	709
Greenfield Gin Co.	1,342
Hagerman Gin Co.	1,251
Farmers Coop Gin, Hagerman	1,901
Lake Arthur Gin Co.	1,238
Association Gin, Espula	1,622
Association gin, Artesia	1,073
Farmers Gin Co., Artesia	1,182
Association gin, Atoka	1,183
Total	16,820
Amount previously reported	16,472
Gain over last week	348

### C. E. MANN ANNOUNCES AS A CANDIDATE FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER

C. E. Mann, of Artesia has authorized the Advocate to announce his candidacy for commissioner of precinct No. 2, Eddy county. Mr. Mann has given his consent to become a candidate for this office reluctantly and after the solicitation of a number of his friends. He feels that his first duty is to his business and that to become a candidate for commissioner would mean more or less of a sacrifice upon his part, although he has always been ready and willing to lend a helping hand in public affairs.

"Uncle Charley," as he is familiarly known here, has been a resident of Artesia for more than twenty years and during his residence here has been active in the upbuilding of his community. The office of commissioner is no new thing to him. He has served the people of this district for four years, his tenure of office beginning in the year 1916. He assisted in tiding the affairs of Eddy county over during the deflation period following the war, when both land, cattle and other taxable property took a big drop along with other commodities and knew what it is to attempt to keep the county on a sound financial basis when the outlook was anything but bright.

He is today one of Eddy county's best informed men on matters pertaining to taxation and county financing. He has given much time and thought to the affairs of the county and even though it has been a number of years since he served Eddy county in the capacity of commissioner, he has kept abreast of the times in the matter of county interests.

If you favor a business man for commissioner, you will make no mistake in considering the claims of Mr. Mann for this office.

#### PAY AUTO TAXES IN EDDY CO.

All car owners should hold in mind that it will be necessary to pay the state and county taxes on a motor vehicle before a license will be issued. The state and county taxes should be paid in Eddy county, otherwise the owner may have to pay the state and county taxes twice. Attention is called to one or two instances where both taxes and license were paid in an adjoining county.

## A. A. Jones N. M. Senior Senator Held Many Offices

**Was Son of a Tennessee Minister—Took Up School Teaching At An Early Age—Came To New Mexico In Year 1885.**

The late Senator Jones, who passed away at his home in Washington on Monday night, held many important political offices in New Mexico, biographical sketches from Santa Fe reveal. The following press report will be of interest to his friends here:

SANTA FE.—The son of a Tennessee minister, Senator Andrius Aristieus Jones early forsook the calling of his father, and soon after his graduation from the Valparaiso university, in 1884, took up school teaching in the public schools of his native state. The degree of bachelor of science was conferred upon him by the Tennessee institution in 1884, to be followed in 1885 with the bachelor of arts degree. In the closing months of the latter year, Senator Jones removed to Las Vegas N. M., where he took over the position of principal of the Meadow city public schools, which he held for two years.

Included in his curriculum at Valparaiso had been a course in law, which he continued under private tutelage after coming to New Mexico and in 1888 he was admitted to the New Mexico bar. From that time on, the senator's rise to the top of his profession was rapid and within five years after his admission to the bar, he was chosen head of the state bar association, to be admitted to the bar of the Supreme Court of the United States a year later, in 1894. From that time until 1898, he acted as special United States attorney.

The late senators first entrance into politics was in 1893, when he was elected to a two year term as mayor of Las Vegas but dating from that election, there has scarcely been a time when his name has not been connected in some manner with the policies of the democratic party, in both state and national affairs. In 1896, Mr. Jones was selected as a delegate to the democratic national convention at Chicago, while ten years later he served as chairman of the democratic national committee in the state, a position which he held during the first state campaign in 1911. For the fifteen year period from 1908 to 1922, Senator Jones was democratic national committee-man from New Mexico while in 1924 he was director of organization of the democratic national committee and chairman of the Senatorial Campaign committee.

As a democratic candidate for the United States senate under the old manner of election, Senator Jones was defeated in 1912, although he received the unanimous backing of all the democratic members of the first state legislature. The following year, he was appointed by Frank (Continued on last page, column 1)

## REV. PEARCE AND WIFE WILL CONDUCT SUNDAY SCHOOL TRAINING CLASS

The pastor and wife of the Christian church in Artesia, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Pearce, have specialized in religious pedagogy and leadership training for Sunday school workers for almost a quarter of a century. Their work attracted the attention of an international publishing house and up until last summer they represented the publishing house in special work of this kind.

The teacher training courses represent an interdenominational arrangement whereby text books by the best writers from all churches are used. These courses, while primarily for Sunday school workers, are just as valuable for parents who would keep abreast of the latest methods being used for the religious education of their children.

Those who desire credits for work done in the courses will have opportunity to learn them, but tests and examinations will not be held (Continued on last page, column 1)

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### OUR CITY WATER SUPPLY

Wonder how many of the citizens of Artesia realize that our city water rate is one of the lowest of any town in the entire southwest. When we speak of the low rate, we refer to the home owner, who uses a normal amount of water for irrigation purposes. The town of Artesia has a higher minimum charge than is applicable in the ordinary town, but at the same time the user is allowed 10,000 gallons of water for the minimum charge and 6 cents per 1000 gallons for all water used over the minimum. And the minimum of 10,000 gallons applicable in Artesia for \$2.00 is about five times as much water as some towns charge. \$1.50 for. After the first 2,000 gallons the rate in these towns runs from 10 to 20 cents for each additional 1,000 gallons consumed and then the water is hardly fit for commercial use.

We think the Pecos Valley has been dry this year and it has, but so known, there has not been any instances here where the residents have been limited in the use of the city water, or where they have to skim off the wiggly tails in order to drink it. Yet this is what has occurred in towns of our neighboring state. We have never known what it is to experience a water shortage here, yet we know of one town boasting of 25,000 population that is going through with this very thing due to the continued dry weather. They are privileged to get water only at specified periods and must take muddy water at that.

### THEM DAYS IS GONE

(Encino Enterprise)

What has become of a lot of things we once thought we couldn't get along without? Where are the old cuffholders we used before our cuffs became attached to the shirt and how about the "rats" the ladies used to fix up their hair? Where are hatpins and the old hunting-case watches, the kind you had to pop open when you wanted to see the time of day? Where are the pug dogs and the brown derby hats and the watch-charm made in the shape of a little basket cleverly carved out of a peach seed? We invite Vaughn citizens who pride themselves of their memories to come forward with a little information. Tell us what has become of these things, and then tell us of some of the things we now look on as necessities that will also be among the missing when another generation comes on earth!

### PERMANENT PROSPERITY

The fact that high grade milch cows are in demand among the middle valley farmers is a most pleasing sign. It is a step toward permanent prosperity and means much for the serious minded farmer. It indicates that a large number of farmers are getting away from the old crop idea. This despite a fairly successful season for the cotton growers.

Men who have given much thought to the dairying possibilities of the Pecos valley believe that it can easily be made one of the leading dairying sections of the state. Its remote location of course is the greatest drawback, but the same disadvantage must be faced regardless of the kind of industry we engage in and we have not permitted this misfortune to hamper our efforts in other lines of business. We have the climate, we have the soil condition, we have one of the greatest alfalfa sections of the state. Where a flowing well is not available, a dairy herd is one of the few ways in which an alfalfa patch may be turned from a possible loss to a profit. Such has been the experience of successful farmers.

The chief advantage of a dairy herd is the fact that it is a revenue producer the year round. It means a weekly pay roll instead of annual pay roll. We refer to cotton when we say annual pay roll. We should qualify the statement however, as an annual loss would be a more appropriate term to use at the end of some years.

Not long ago the writer overheard a man ask his companion, "What kind of a town is this?"

His companion replied, "Well, they depend on cotton around here, business is generally pretty good in the fall, but dull through the remainder of the seasons."

The cause of human progress is our cause, the enfranchisement of human thought our supreme wish, the freedom of human conscience our mission, and the guarantee of equal rights to all people everywhere the end of our contention.—Scottish Rite News Bureau.

It looks like the state superintendent of public instruction is in for a good housecleaning. Wonder if the broom she'll use.

### POULTRYMEN FROM STATE ASSOCIATION

At a meeting held in Albuquerque, December 2 and 3, by poultry representatives from several parts of the state, the New Mexico State Poultry Association was formed.

The direction of the organization is placed in the hands of seven directors, who are as follows:

Mrs. J. G. Gentry, president, Albuquerque; C. P. Baldwin, vice president, Raton; E. E. Anderson, secretary-treasurer, State College; J. B. Yeakley, McAlister; F. E. Wimberly, Las Cruces; E. B. Starr, E. Las Vegas, and E. T. Stevens, Alamogordo.

The association decided that at present their efforts should be confined to the four following pieces of work; First, accreditation of flocks and hatcheries. Second, passage of legislation that would benefit the poultry industry. Third, devise plans to reduce the losses of poultry by theft. Fourth, hold an annual state poultry show.

There has been a long felt need by the poultrymen of the state for some state organization whereby many of the important problems, vital to the poultry industry could be worked out in an organized and definite way. While the state is large and the poultry interests widely scattered, it was felt a great deal can be accomplished if every one connected with the poultry industry will become a member and thereby add both their financial and moral support to the undertaking.

Anyone who is a poultry raiser or who is vitally interested in the industry may become a member by the annual payment of one dollar membership fee. The association can accomplish but little without working capital. The more money received, the more can be done.

### OIL PROFITS IN A BAD YEAR

The Standard Oil company made more money during 1927 than any year of its history, according to statistics published by the Tulsa World. The amazing report is made at the close of what has been generally referred to as one of "the worst years in the history of the industry."

Oil stocks have been down in 1927, but the Tulsa paper is inclined to believe this was due to over-capitalization and other organization policies.

The Tulsa World has the following to say which will be of unusual interest to the local operators.

"If the agricultural problem came about largely because of the average farmer's inability, or disposition, to husband properly his own business (and it did), why does not the same principle apply to all other lines of human endeavor? We think it quite likely that it does.

"This has been a bad year for the petroleum industry. We say it has been a bad year, because almost everyone else says so. And, as is always the case, the air is full of voices asking to be heard for the remedies offered. The Federal government, or certain officials thereof, proposes to federalize the petroleum industry in order that waste may be avoided and that values may be maintained. The argument put forth is alluring to the superficial thinker, just as the argument put forth by certain political farmers for the relief of the agriculturists, were and are alluring.

"But to those who think hard—and thinking is hard work—calling for investigation, for the acquiring of information and for the analyzing of that information after it has been acquired, that movement is unsound. The position of this paper has been—it remains such—that no extra governmental departure is needed for the oil industry any more than extra-governmental departure is needed for the agricultural forces of the Republic; or more than was necessary, at any time, for the relief of any other momentarily distressed vocation or avocation.

We hold all of that character of statesmanship to be the bunk! The year of petroleum depression draws to a close. And, just at the moment, there comes to attention the figures prepared by Carl H. Poerzheimer & Company of New York, on the dividend record of the various Standard Oil subsidiaries.

Let us quote this statistician's report just here:

Year	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter
1927	\$55,873,413	\$54,291,615	\$47,728,440
1926	40,580,317	50,618,451	46,427,440
1925	34,335,618	41,905,728	35,140,584
1920	26,796,606	27,313,396	29,804,557
1912	10,220,396	11,983,746	13,190,396

Year  
1927 \$55,724,427 \$213,617,940  
1926 62,685,548 200,327,594  
1925 42,104,169 153,388,555  
1920 31,861,824 115,776,793  
1912 16,392,096 51,686,634

"From these figures it will be instantly seen that the Standard Oil group, adequately financed and conservatively managed, has, during this year of oil depression, piled up greater profits than in any year since the year when the "eggs were unscrambled," the last quarter of 1926, alone, excepted. But even so, when the full year of 1927 is put against the full year of 1926, Standard Oil realized a greater profit than in any year of its existence.

A good many things are implied by that disclosure. Let the reader, or rather the experienced oil man, make his own deductions. But the point of immediate concern is that the necessity for a federalization of the oil industry can scarcely be established by reading the statistics.

To ascertain the real weakness of the petroleum industry, we are of the opinion that the question of overcapitalization, underfinance, stock jobbing and a lack of experienced administration should be inquired into carefully. Nor should the country, as a whole, be penalized for any shortcomings that appear under any of these various headings.

In a letter addressed to Governor Dillon Friday, State Auditor Miguel A. Otero, Jr., recommends that a thorough investigation be made of the operations of the state highway department. The charges of Otero hinge on the alleged irregularities in the purchase of highway equipment during the years of 1926 and 1927. Only an investigation will determine whether or not this is purely political bunkum. The suggestions of Mr. Otero might carry more weight, if we did not recall that next year is an election year, although he claims the honors are about evenly divided between the present and past state administration.

Childhood ideas still cling with most of us. We often imagine the other fellow's job is just a little better than ours and envy him, when as a matter of fact he has his troubles and difficulties just as we do and we might not be as well satisfied if we could exchange places with him.

### She Helped Everett Do His Christmas Shopping

FOR weeks pretty Clare Reynolds, the new girl of a busy insurance office, worked directly across the table from Everett Moore without having drawn even a glance from him. And this was unusual for Clare.

Everett seemed glued to the sheet before him, but Clare, determined not to be the ice cracker, waited and hoped that sometime, somehow, something would happen to force him to look up and speak to her. She liked this good-looking, earnest-working chap in spite of his utter indifference, and just had to steal a furtive glance at him occasionally.

It was Christmas eve and not a word had passed between them. He was still oblivious of her presence.

Early in the afternoon Clare put away her things and was putting on her wraps when some one questioned: "Leaving us, are you?"

"Yes, the boss is letting me off to finish up my Christmas shopping."

"Shopping! Shopping!" almost shouted Everett Moore, looking up, startled, and for the first time, catching Clare's eye. She felt her cheeks flame. "Say, are you going Christmas buying, Miss—ah—Miss—"

"Reynolds," she replied. "Yes. Is there anything I can do for you?"

"Well, I should say! I had forgotten, really. Could I trot along with you and get you to help me make a couple of purchases? I never know what to buy for a woman."

Clare's heart was beating wildly. "Sure, I'll help you. I rather like spending somebody's money."

Out they went together. The sharp wind whizzing around the corner sang a joyous tune to Clare. Everett held her firmly by the arm and deftly guided her among the busy late shoppers, and within a very short time a floor lamp for his mother and an atomizer for his sister had been decided on and ordered delivered at once.

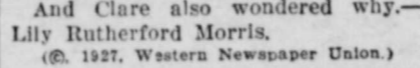
They then went to a tea room for refreshments, and there, over the tea-cups, they really became acquainted. It was hard for Everett to leave her, but she had problems of her own to solve and time was getting short.

Christmas morning a bunch of red roses with a note attached from Everett was among Clare's most highly treasured gifts. The note read:

"From an admiring friend. Why didn't we know each other long ago?"

And Clare also wondered why—

Lily Rutherford Morris.  
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### Plum Pudding and Her Christmas Dinner Guest

MARION opened the door of the bedroom so suddenly that she did not see the young man standing in the hall. And such was her haste that she bumped into him. He attempted to recover his balance but fell and struck his head.

"Oh, dear! I beg your pardon. Have I killed you?" she cried.

"Not at all," he replied scrambling to his feet.

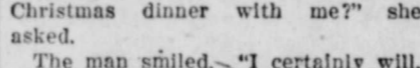
"But your head is cut; it's bleeding. Come in and let me bandage it." The young man entered the room and Marion deftly bandaged the cut.

"And now won't you stay and eat Christmas dinner with me?" she asked.

The man smiled. "I certainly will. I was smelling your plum pudding when you opened the door. It smelled like those we used to have when I was a boy. I was hungry and was thinking how wonderful an invitation to dinner would be."

"My aunt sent me the dinner. I was homesick thinking of all the folks and the good time they're having and I was wishing I had a guest," chirped Marion.—Jane Roth.

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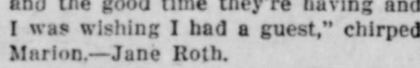


### Gets It All

He uses no tools, no drills and no saws. And he doesn't quite break any national laws.

Though results are the same you can bet your last peg

As if you had met a professional yegg.



### Christmas Card Custom

In 1840 the king of England sent cards of greeting to his friends and this started the custom. In England, too, was first started the nice custom of saying Merry Christmas and of decorating the house.

### Christmas Joy

A man is only an apology for a man if he fails at Christmastide to bring joy to at least one man, one woman, one child or one animal.—Chas. XIII.

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and extend their best wishes for a very  
Merry Christmas and Happy, Prosperous  
New Year.

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**DID YOU EVER STOP TO THINK?**  
By E. R. Waite

THAT there is more in any business than merely having a place to do business.  
THAT securing the merchandise to sell is only the first step.  
THAT the most important thing is the selling of the merchandise and selling it right.  
THAT the right kind of merchandise, backed up by the right kind of advertising, assisted by the right kind of service, will always build a profitable business.  
THAT good advertising creates an irresistible appeal to the buying public.  
THAT advertised merchandise is always best for the price.  
THAT this class of merchandise always creates good-will for any business because it gives satisfaction.  
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THAT advertising always makes a wonderful impression on busy shoppers; they always read the ads before shopping and save time and money by so doing.  
THAT truthful advertising has a wide range of appeal; it reaches everybody.  
The buying public is always looking for quality merchandise; they know the advertising columns carry the facts about where to buy it—that is why they read the advertising columns carefully.



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Provide a welcome opportunity to send you my sincere thanks for the business given me during the past year. I wish for you the Merriest of Christmases and the Happiest of New Years.

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A. L. ALLINGER, REPRESENTATIVE  
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Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

**The Season's Greetings**

The holiday seasons affords an opportunity to express again the pleasure we derive from our business relations with you and on behalf of our entire organization we extend to you and yours best wishes for a very Merry Christmas and a most Prosperous New Year.

**Southwestern PUBLIC SERVICE Company**

ROSWELL—ARTESIA—CARLSBAD  
Day & Zimmermann, Inc., Management

Dear Santa Claus:  
I have moved so please bring my things to 511 Dallas Street.  
Wilma Paton.

Dear Santa Claus:  
I have tried to be a good boy, so will you please bring me an air rifle, a dump truck, some games, and a cowboy suit if you have any. My little brother Clyde wants a fire truck, a little Indian suit, box tinker toys, some candy and nuts. Santa Claus we will leave some cake under our Xmas tree for you like we did last year.  
Your little boys  
Charles Preston and Clyde Dunn

Dear Santa:  
How are you and your little fairies? I am fine. I want a little play car. I want a stocking and some candy too.  
With love  
Mary Goodell

Dear Santa Claus:  
If you have a doll I would like you to bring me it and if you have a doll buggy I would like it too. Santa Claus Edith wants a doll too. John wants a train and he wants a lot of thing too. Mona wants a doll too. Santa Claus did you no that I take music from Miss Mann.  
Good by, love  
Clara Sinclair

Dear Santa Claus:  
I surely have been a long time since you have been to see me, and as Christmas is about here I will tell you what I want you to bring me. I want a doll buggy, a wagon, a little wash tub, a little car and a small piano, and dresser.  
I have been a very good girl this year. I also want some oranges, nuts and candy.  
Yours truly,  
Lucia Jeanne Hnulik

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am glad that you are coming to see us. Please Santa send to all the children some Christmas so all be happy and send me some candies and nuts. Please hang it on the Christmas tree.  
Felipe C. Gonzalez  
and for my little brother a little car his name is Julse Gonzales

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl eight years old. I want a ball and papoose doll. My little brother wants a fire truck and some other things. Don't forget the nuts and candy.  
Maxine Brown

Dear Mr. Santa Claus:  
I am a poor little girl. I am writing this letter for you so you can know what I want for Christmas. I want a doll and some candy and cookies. Dear Santa Claus be sure to bring me a big doll even if you don't bring me nothing of candy or something like that, I be as happy if you bring me a pretty doll that say mamma and sleep and bring me a buggy so my doll can ride on it, and bring me a ring too and dear Mr. Santa please don't forget to bring me what I want for Christmas and I think that's all I want. Oh and for mother a pretty dress and for father a pretty pants and my brother too. I wish you merry Christmas.  
Your truly,  
Mary E. Vasquez

Dear Santa Claus:  
I sure do want Christmas to come. What are you going to bring me? I want a doll and a doll buggy. Be

In appreciation of your many courtesies extended us in the past year we wish you sincerely a very Happy Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.  
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**Walter Graham**  
328 MAIN STREET

Dear Santa:  
I am a little boy of three years old I have been a good little boy and I don't cry. I want a big old truck, a fire truck and a pair of new stockings, candy, oranges, bananas and nuts if you have plenty.  
A very good little boy  
W. H. Pope

P. S. A little toy cow and lots of other things.  
Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a pair of boots, cowboy hat, scooter, and a tool chest and a lot of candy.  
With best wishes,  
Bob Erickson, Jr.  
P. S. Please do not forget mother and dad in Long Beach.

Dear Santa:  
Please send me a big doll and some dishes and send little brother a car and a horse. Send all the extra toys you have to us please.  
Your little friend,  
Vera Smith, 5 yrs old.

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a doll and some dishes or anything you have. Would sure love to have a doll and buggy if you can spare me one. I am a little girl 5 years old.  
Berrend Jackson.

Dear Santa Claus:  
Say Santa if you come my way be sure and leave me something swell. Would like to have a train or anything you would care to leave me.  
Junior Jackson, age 3 yrs.

Dear Santa Claus:  
I been a good girl to my father and mother and I wish you please bring me a big doll and some candy and please don't forget my brother Teliz, he is 5 year and he want a little house and candy and my sister she is 4 year and she want a doll and candy and don't forget us we wait for you. I know you love all the childrens and we all love you.  
Mancimiana Lopez

Dear Santa:  
Please bring us a tool chest, farm yard set, fire engine with three ladders on it and new corks for our pop guns. Evelyn wants an ironing board, peddle car and doll trunk. If you have plenty of candy and horns, leave some in our stockings.  
Your friends  
Edgar and James Bates.

Dear Santa Claus:  
I wish you for a Christmas gift if you please give me the Christmas, sent me a box of pencil and a wrist watch and a box of candy. I don't write you no more because it is too late.  
Your best friend  
Anita Villa  
Sent me boy to please.

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring some candy and a little doll and a ring, how are you Mr. Santa Claus. I like you very much because you bring us some toys and I want some little shoes for my doll.  
Santa Claus you go to my house and there is a stocking so you put me my Christmas that I tell to you to bring to me.  
yours truly  
Maxima Villa

Dear Santa Claiz:  
I tried to be good. I hope you will bring me a coster, steel wagon, and a 22 caliber gun, a ball, candy and victrola and nuts. I sure thank you.  
F. M. Douglas.

Dear Old Santa:  
Here I am writing this few lines to tell you that I am 12 year old and in the second grade. I wish that you would bring me a doll for Christmas and I am doing my best in school.  
Adela Lopez

Dear Santa:  
I want some boots size 13 and some kind of game. I am a little boy and am 8 years old.  
Earl Jackson

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a doll and a doll bed, a bicycle. Dood by.  
Mary Paton

Dear Santa Claus:  
How is Mrs. Santa Claus and you. I hope that the little orphants get a bag of toys and I hope I get the things I write for. I want a fountain pen and pencil just exactly alike, a tool chest that has 36 tools in it. A sled, a picture machine like the people in Hollywood. I want a double barrel shot gun. My brother wants a train, a stage, a tractor.  
Yours truly,  
William Wright Dunn

Dear Santa Claus:  
I wish you a merry Christmas. Send me a pretty doll and candy and some dishes to play dolls, ring sent me to, a little bed a little phone and that all.  
Yours  
Puala Grando

Dear Santa Claus:  
I know you like little boys and girls. I'm 8 years of age.  
I want you to bring me a big doll with real long hair, a nice pair of slippers, a bath robe and a Christmas tree, a box of candy and a stocking full of candy.  
Your Girl,  
Elamaye Eaton

P. S. I will be a good girl so please, please.  
Dear Santa:  
I am a little boy that wants you to bring me a little billy goat and a wagon and a train and some candy and nuts. I have been a good boy since last Christmas. I live on Washington street. I like you Santa  
Your true friend,  
Sidney Fleming

Dear Santa Claus:  
Our teacher always say about you an old man who's named is St. Close give all the childrens Christmas and we wish you to give us some too. I wish for a doll and a brother wish for a little car. We thank you for kindness and wishing you for a Merry Christmas and a happy New Year—1928—Jan. 1 I might close with regards.  
Your truly little friends  
Boy Juan Sais and Ramona Sais  
2nd and first grade

Mr. Santa Claus:  
I wan one little mashine so I can make a little dress for my little doll and one box of candys for myself. Thank you Mr. Santa Claus my name is Julian Nuneze.

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring some Christmas gift. Sent me a pretty doll and candy and a little car and a buggy for my doll and a bed for her to. That all.  
Gorge Villa

Dear Santa Claus:  
I got all I wanted last year for Christmas, but I want a doll like that in Joyce Pruitts dry goods that has a knit cap and sweater, white shoes and stockings, and I want a bicycle but I don't think I will get it, and I want a new bed room for myself, and a pink looking, glass, comb and brush set.  
My brother Lawrence wants a pair of gloves and pair of scates, he said he didn't see why he had to have candy for Christmas and not get any presents, it is not a long letter so I will tell you what I want for mother. I want to get her a pair of silk stockings and lace handkerchiefs, and the thing for father is a tie and silk socks, for Britton some ties, and Lawrence a pair of gloves and my grandmother a shawl.  
From Marion Ruth Coll.

Dear Santa:  
I am 6 years old, going to school. Please bring me a ring, a doll, tea apron, nuts, candy, fruits of all kinds. Don't forget Eugene.  
Dorthie Lee Ables

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a fountain pen, game and a puzzle, several books and don't forget to bring me lots of candy and nuts and oranges.  
Your friends,  
Peggy Brainard

Dear Santa Claus:  
I hope you would bring me a big doll, please and I would like to have a fountain pen and Indian suit and doll head.  
Your friend,  
Betty Jo Brainard

Dear Old Santa:  
I have been a good little girl and please bring me a rolling pin, a kitchen set, a set of dishes, a desk and chair, another doll, beaded bag, also dear old Santa I need a new bath robe and house slippers. I am 4 years old and live on east oil field street.  
Bettynele Lanning

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please send me a little play school bus, a tool chest and some candy and nuts, send my little sister a baby doll and some silk teddies. We are going to go to our grandmothers at Hope, N. M. so you will find us up there. We love you so good.  
George Wallace Gage.

Dear Santa Claus:  
I want some boots, size 12 1/2. I want some kind game. I am 7 years old.  
Elmer Jackson.

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## Tomatoes Versus Pellagra

**A**MONG the sufferings following in the wake of the flood waters of the Mississippi were an alarming number of pellagra cases. Red Cross workers, in co-operation with state and public health authorities, exerted every effort to end the epidemic and to prevent a recurrence of the disease. It is interesting fact, made authentic by no less an authority than Dr. Joseph Goldberger, nationally known pellagra expert, in charge of the hygienic laboratory of the United States Health Service, that tomatoes, either fresh or canned, are the most valuable of all foods for preventing and counteracting this disease.

Dr. Goldberger, whose studies of pellagra and its prevention have given us the greater share of our knowledge of it, with Dr. G. A. Wheeler, another surgeon in the public health service, recently reported upon a demonstration of the prevention of pellagra by appropriate foods, which has been carried on for ten years in the Georgia state sanitarium. Dr. Goldberger says: "Pellagra is due to a special form of deficiency in diet. To cure a patient it is necessary that he eat enough of the right foods to correct this deficiency. And to prevent a recurrence it is essential that he continue to eat sufficient quantities of these foods. Liberal use of tomatoes, fresh or canned, will prevent pellagra." One quart of the juice of canned tomatoes daily, Dr. Goldberger asserts, is sufficient to counteract the special deficiency of

diet responsible for the disease.

### Tomatoes a Cure

Pellagra is not always readily diagnosed. It has borderlines of indistinctness, and the direct cause of it is not actually known. Characteristic manifestations of the disease are disturbances of digestion, discomfort after eating, depression, belching, etc., burning sensation of the mouth, nervousness, irritability, disturbed sleep, breaking out of skin, and in exceptional cases, mental disturbances. Foods found to be common in the diet of pellagra victims are corn meal, red beans, fat salt pork, white flour bread, syrup, sugar and black coffee. "Add Irish potatoes," says Dr. Goldberger, "and you may get off with a case of scurvy. But add enough tomato juice, and pellagra will be prevented entirely."

Dr. Elwood Hendrick, eminent scientist, writing in Harper's Magazine, says, "Owing to the acid nature of tomatoes, the canned product is also rich in Vitamin C, and this makes canned tomatoes one of the most useful food accessories known to man. It maintains the health of sailors on long voyages, or armies in the field, and of children fed on pasteurized milk. Canned tomatoes are the great and convenient enemy of scurvy."

How fortunate for the public at large are the findings of these eminent men can be realized when you think how available canned tomatoes are at all seasons of the year. From

vines to cans, so to speak, go the finest tomato crops grown, retaining all the rich vitamin properties of curative and preventive value, and obtainable everywhere at low cost.

### Some Simple Recipes

Tomatoes, besides being easy to obtain and inexpensive to buy, offer a great variety of dishes, as palatable as they are rich in tonic value. From the humble accessory to the meal, known as stewed tomatoes, have been evolved many recipes, any one of which will prove a welcome addition to the most carefully planned menu. Scalloped tomatoes are delicious and easy to prepare. Remove contents from one can tomatoes and drain off part of the juice. Season tomatoes with salt and pepper and a few drops onion juice. Cover the bottom of buttered baking dish with buttered bread crumbs. Cover with tomatoes and sprinkle top thickly with buttered crumbs. Bake in hot oven till crumbs are brown.

Tomatoes and mushrooms are a favorite with many, simple to prepare and dainty to serve. Place contents one can tomatoes in saucepan with two tablespoons butter. Bring to boil and add contents one small can mushrooms, chopped. Add one-half teaspoon chopped parsley, pepper and salt to taste. Boil twenty minutes, stirring constantly. Serve on toast.

To obtain tomato purée, simmer one can tomatoes, reduced one-half, then force through strainer, and again let simmer until reduced to one cup.

## A Wreath and a Candle Spoke From the Window

"PLEASE, lady, won't you buy some tulips?"

Ann Dawson, belle of her set, stepping briskly out of a department store, her arms filled with Christmas packages, looked down into the searching eyes of two poorly clad little girls.

"Tulips?" she repeated, smiling. "Why, tulips are not due yet. You should have red roses, poinsettias, and holly at Christmas time."

"Yes'm, I know," said the one carrying the basket of wax flowers, "but we don't know how to make anything but tulips. They are all red, though, and just a quarter for three."

"I see," said Anne. "Making some extra money, aren't you, to buy something pretty for mamma?"

"No, ma'm," answered the sister. "I wish we could buy something pretty for mother, but we are trying to get us some school shoes before time to go back after Christmas."

Anne's eyes sought the children's feet and her throat filled with a choking lump.

"Why—why—yes, I'll buy a dollar's worth. Will that help much?"

"Oh, yes'm," from both simultaneously. Their eyes sought each other's in happy anticipation while Anne, struggling with her packages, clumsily extracted the bill from her purse.

"Now tell me where you live, little tulip makers. I might want some more of them sometime," taking the bunch held out to her. The address was carefully noted, and thoughtfully Anne stood watching the children as they became lost in the street crowd. For the first time, her eyes had been opened to a new life.

Next day a rap on the door of a cottage in a poor section of the city brought an answer from one of the flower girls. No one was in sight, but as the door opened a big car was seen moving away and on the porch was a large well-filled basket ornamented with holly and one big red candle. When the basket was taken inside and examined many useful gifts for mother and the girls were disclosed as well as a generous supply of fruit, nuts and candy. The card read:

"I shall drive by on Christmas night. If you are happy let the wreath and lighted candle speak from your windows."

Was the candle burning? And did the wreath adorn the other front window? Well, yes; and the bright faces within the well-lighted room brought to Anne Dawson far greater joy than the handsome gifts that were hers on Christmas morning.—Lily Rutherford Morris.

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### Christmas Dolls

THE modern Christmas doll, so dear to the hearts of little maids of all nations, had its origin in the days of long, long ago.

Dolls were once regarded as sacred objects, and the word "doll" is believed to be a corruption of the word "idol." The dolls or idols of early days were carved out of wood or bone, and the dolls of later days were probably reproductions of the idols, used in worship.

Dolls are comparatively modern playthings in this country, and the oldest museum specimens only go back to Queen Anne's days, before which time there are no records of their use by British children. They were introduced from Flanders, and were called "Flanders babies," or "children's babies."—Montreal Star.

### Russian Christmas Table

In the center of his Christmas table the Russian peasant places a bundle of straw, symbolic of the manger, and, before the meal, each guest draws from the bundle a blade of straw, the one who draws the longest being destined to live the longest.

### St. Nicholas

St. Nicholas, as the patron saint of Christmas, seems to have been adopted by America; Father Christmas is indigenous to Britain, Santa Claus to Germany, and Kris Kringle to Holland, but they all seem to be variants of the first-named.—Montreal Star.

### Candles Are Dangerous

Matches should always be kept out of the reach of children and parents should be especially cautious around the holiday season when there is so much extra inflammable materials in the house, suggests the national safety council.

### Christmas Greeting Cards

Christmas greeting cards will cost this country \$55,000,000, and that does not take into account the time lost in trying to remember to whom they should be sent.

### Make Some One Happy

Make some one's Christmas merry and your own will care for itself.

## INSIDE INFORMATION

A good quality of skim milk should have a yield of 15 to 18 pounds of cottage cheese per 100 pounds of skim milk.

Banana "figs" are a form of food not generally familiar to American housewives, but are recommended as a desirable and nourishing food.

These "figs" are really dried bananas. Firm ripe fruit is peeled and split lengthwise and dried either in the sun or by artificial heat. The drying process brings out some of the banana juice which covers the banana with a white sugary powder. In food value banana "figs" are said to compare favorably with other dried fruits. The agricultural experiment station in Hawaii has been experimenting with the drying of bananas because banana shipping facilities from Hawaii are not so fully developed as from the "banana coast" of Central America.

### EVENING'S ADVENTURE

A Moon, a girl,  
A machine, a whirl,  
A stop, a cop,  
In jail, out on bail.

—Belen News.

Advocate want ads get results.

## A PROPOSED HIGHWAY NORTH AND SOUTH THRU LEA COUNTY

The Portales Chamber of Commerce sent representatives to confer with Lea County Commissioners and Lovington Chamber of Commerce last Monday, regarding a highway thru Lea, connecting with Roswell, Clovis Highway at Portales which connection would put us in direct touch with Amarillo and all points north.

They offer to build from Portales to the southern Roosevelt-Lea county line if Lea county will begin at their finishing point on the line and build via Crossroads, Tatum, Lovington, Monument, Eunice and Jal through the county to Texas-New Mexico line southward. At that point it would be possible to connect with a highway running south to the Texas & Pacific Railroad.

A highway thru the county in this direction would run directly thru Lea county oil fields also thru the Texas fields south of Lea and would be extensively used by people of all classes and interest in these regions thru which the road would pass in its far northern and southern reaches.—Lea County Courier.

Send a box of apples for Christmas. Order our guaranteed pack from your grocer. Cecil and L.

Gratefully acknowledging your many favors of the past year please accept best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

## DR. LOUCKS GARAGE

FONE 65

## Christmas Dinner at the MISSION CAFE

### MENU

Fruit Cocktail      Celery Hearts      Ripe Olives  
Cream of Tomato Soup  
Roast Young Turkey, Oyster Dressing  
Cranberry Sauce  
Baked Pig Ham with Candy Apples  
June Peas      Mashed Potatoes  
Hot Rolls      Whole Wheat Muffins  
Plum Pudding Fruit Sauce

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## To Our Friends:

At Christmas time, as the broad pathway of the New Year opens wide before us all, our thoughts go out to each of our friends to wish them well in all their endeavors.

Among our assets we like to count the only one that money cannot buy—your good will. And so, not in the sense of custom only, but with a genuine appreciation of our pleasant associations during the past year, we extend to you our best wishes for an old fashioned Merry Christmas and a New Year of health, happiness and prosperity.

Sincerely

## The Mounts

## EXPORTS FROM NEW MEX. DECLINE DURING THIRD QUARTER 1927

WASHINGTON. — Exports from New Mexico were valued at \$257,677 during the second quarter of 1927 compared with \$391,304 during the corresponding period of 1926, a decrease of \$133,627, according to figures made public Tuesday by the department of commerce.

Metals and manufactures of metals valued at \$106,718 were first in order of value, among the commodities sent from the state during the three-month period. Exports of coal were valued at \$76,194, followed in order by wood and paper, \$23,448; machinery, vehicles and parts, \$9,051, and animals, edible, \$9,020.

Chemicals and related products, non-metallic mineral products, textiles and edible and inedible animal and vegetable products were among the commodities exported from the state during the three months.

Total exports of merchandise from the United States during the second quarter of 1927 were valued at \$1,135,803,219 compared with \$1,056,004,430 during the corresponding period of 1926, an increase of \$79,798,789.

The first ten states in order of value of exports during the second quarter of 1927 were New York, with exports valued at \$188,203,047; Texas, \$113,087,116; Michigan, \$95,858,915; New Jersey, \$87,429,519; Illinois, \$82,602,121; Ohio, \$51,378,771, and Wisconsin, \$35,569,540.

The value of exports of half of the states and possessions of the United States increased during the second quarter of 1927 as compared with the corresponding period of 1926, while the remaining 26 suffered losses.

### ASKS AUDIT OF STATE HIGHWAY DEPT. ACCOUNTS

SANTA FE.—Everything possible will be done toward "clearing up" the \$1,9480 overcharge for highway department for the past fiscal year claimed by state auditor Miguel A. Otero, Jr., Gov. R. C. Dillan advised him Monday.

Following Otero's charges of Saturday, in which he said irregularities were evident and asking the governor to act, the state highway department issued a statement saying it would welcome an audit or investigation.

### HEY! HEY!

Once in my youth I read a book About a fireman bold Who took a club, a brawny dub, and laid his Sweetie cold.

## LOCALS

E. B. Bullock shipped a car of hogs to Los Angeles Tuesday.

A. M. Tarbet and I. P. Davis made a business trip to Carlsbad Saturday.

Miss Irma Green has been out of school this week on account of illness.

Jim King has moved his family into town and is occupying a house on west Richardson.

Messrs. E. C. Higgins and Ernest Sidwell made a business trip to Lovington over the week end.

George Frisch and family expect to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Buford Chunn at Wellington, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. George Threlkeld will spend Christmas with Mrs. Threlkeld's relatives at Chickasha, Oklahoma.

Miss Ruby Turknett is expected home from Clovis, where she is a student at Fleming's Business College, to spend Christmas.

Wallace Anderson and family are planning to spend Christmas with Mr. Anderson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Anderson in El Paso, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Atkeson arrived from Corpus Christi, Texas, Monday for a holiday visit to their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Atkeson.

Clint Cole drove over to Las Vegas Tuesday to bring Herman Cole home from Montezuma College for the vacation. Robert Rogers accompanied him.

Miss Esther Morgan will be home today from Roswell to spend the holidays and Willis Morgan will be here Saturday from El Paso to remain at home until Tuesday.

Mrs. Martha Harris returned last Sunday from Memphis, Tennessee and expects to spend the remainder of the winter here with her daughter, Mrs. Will Linell, and family.

C. M. Hall, field superintendent of the Getty Oil Co., who spent several hours here Friday, reports that the oil field highway extension to the Getty well is in excellent condition.

Mrs. Basil Curry and two children, of Tucson, Arizona, came Saturday to visit her sister, Mrs. Hagen McCaw. They are also visiting relatives at Hope. Mr. Curry is expected to come to spend Christmas.

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## NEW MEXICO IS AGAIN TAKING LEAD AS THE COW PRODUCING STATE

New Mexico is again taking its place as a dominant cattle producing state, according to the November figures of shipments released at the state sanitary board office by M. G. Keenan, secretary, last week.

The figures show a huge increase over any previous month since the disastrous drouth shortly after the war which forced government intervention and transfer of a large part of the stock to Mexico ranges.

November shipments reached 189,362 with no official report from the Cimarron district. Estimated in this district is conservatively placed at 1,500.

Value of the cattle shipments during the past year will exceed \$6,000,000, an unofficial estimate discloses.

The shipments are nearly 60,000 higher than the next highest month for the past five years which was in October, 1927. In October the shipments totaled 131,052. The highest November shipments in the past five years was in 1925 when 117,468 were sent out. Last November the total was 114,026.

Ranges throughout the state are reported dry, but in good condition. There is sufficient feeding to carry the stock through the winter, reports of the United States department of agriculture at Las Cruces on December 1, reveal. Cattle are reported well conditioned. Water holes are drying up and running water is getting low, the report says.

### STATE FUNDS TO BE INVESTED IN SECURITIES THAT PAY INTEREST

SANTA FE.—In a reply to a request from bankers that state funds be deposited in banks of the state instead of investing them in securities, state treasurer Warren Graham said Monday he is required by law to invest institutional permanent funds in interest bearing securities. He recently invested \$237,000 in Federal Treasury certificates, which he said will be reinvested in securities bearing higher than 3 1-2 per cent interest as soon as they can be found. He now has \$350,000 in banks to invest.

### THE WING—WALKERS

They're having General Quarters, And don't need us, I guess; So what do you say, that we both play, Another game of chess.

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## BANK BANDIT THOUGHT TO HAVE BEEN KILLED LAST WEEK IN TEXAS

Roy Harmon, who was killed and Gus Johnson, who was wounded in an attempted robbery of the Wildorado Grain and Mercantile company's store, together with three companions who escaped, were connected with the robbery of the Citizens State Bank at Vaughn last Saturday and with the theft of a Buick coupe in Roswell on December 9, according to information received by Sheriff Zumalt from officers at Vega, Texas last week.

Harmon died as a result of hemorrhage of the lung after being shot with buckshot by a night watchman. Johnson is suffering from wounds in the shoulder and chest from the same gun, his recovery being doubtful, according to Texas authorities.

Local officers were told over the long distance telephone this morning that there was no doubt but that the dead man, wounded man and the three who so far have made their escape were connected with the robbery of the Vaughn bank and with the theft of a new Buick of 2000, which was taken about one week ago from in front of the Busy Cafe.

Just where the Vega, Texas authorities received this positive information is not known by local officers. They believe, however, that Johnson, who is said to be mortally wounded, has told of the entire affair.

According to Vega officers the three men who escaped are the three who robbed the Vaughn bank and Harmon and Johnson are the two who stole the car in Roswell.

Three of the men are also suspected by local officers to have been the three who overturned a Buick car near Acme on last Thursday night, December 8. The car was later found to have been stolen at Drumright, Oklahoma, and high powered rifles, six guns and a large quantity of ammunition indicates to local officers that the three were probably on their way to Roswell to "pull a job."

It is the theory of local officers that the three men who robbed the Vaughn bank and the two men who stole the Buick in Roswell had direct connection with each other at the wreck of the stolen Buick north of Roswell probably up the plans somewhat.

It is probable that the three men who upset the stolen car near Acme were bent on the robbery of a bank or other institution in this city and the wreck and delay in securing another car caused a miscarriage of their plans.

Ammunition and guns in the overturned Buick north of Roswell indicated that the three men were bent on robbery here or some other point in the Pecos valley. The theory was advanced that the plans were to rob a bank in the Pecos valley and at Vaughn at the same time then to join forces and return to the Texas oil fields, where until recently, when a reward of \$5000 for every dead bank robber was offered, robbing banks was a general pastime.

## SEVEN COUNTRIES VIE IN 1928 ORATORY TILT

Washington. — Fifty-three newspapers in seven countries will sponsor the Fifth National and International Oratory Contest.

Radley T. Ogden, director-general of the contest, announced Monday plans for the 1928 oratorical championships.

Eight American boys and girls will be given a trip to the Olympic Games at Amsterdam and a tour of six European nations next summer as awards in the competition.

Formal work in the contest, to which any secondary school pupil under 19 years old is eligible, will not begin until the opening of the second term about February 1. The country is divided into eight zones. The winners in each will have a place in the national finals in Washington May 25, and all these will be given the 10 weeks' tour of Europe with all expenses paid.

The winner of the championship of the United States will compete in the international finals to be in Washington October 13, at which there will be one speaker for each of seven nations—England, France, Germany, Canada, Mexico, Japan, and the United States.

The contestants must deal with "The Development of the Constitution" or "The Present Significance of the Constitution." Each speaker will be allowed ten minutes.

The committee for the contest in the United States includes Frank B. Noyes, the Washington Star; Adolph S. Ochs, the New York Times; Walter A. Strong, the Chicago Daily News; William L. McLean, Jr., the Philadelphia Bulletin; George B. Longan, the Kansas City Star, and Harry Chandler, the Los Angeles Times.

Heretofore the largest number of newspapers conducting the contest was 26.

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## FILED FOR RECORD IN CO. CLERK'S OFFICE

December 13, 1927.  
Quit Claim Deed:  
Hill Langtry to Foreign Christian Missionary Society \$1000 Lots 7, 8, 9, 12, Blk. 3, Roselawn Add. to Artesia.  
J. J. Clarke to Foreign Christian Missionary Society \$85.33 Lots 7, 8, 9, 12, Blk. 3, Roselawn Add. to Artesia.  
First Natl. Bank, Artesia, to Foreign Christian Missionary Society \$1.00 Lots 7, 8, 9, 12, Blk. 3, Roselawn Add. to Artesia.

December 14, 1927.  
Warranty Deeds:  
R. H. H. Burnett to C. E. Burnett \$10.00 Lots 5 and 7, Blk. 5, Orig. Hope. A. S. Lange to Louis Lange \$1.00 SE 1/4 21-22-27.  
December 15, 1927.  
Deeds:  
E. M. Dillard, special master, to E. T. Phillips \$4,198.73 NWNW 27-17-26. (Special Master's Deed) Wm. T. Reed to La Huerta Co., Lots 10 and 12, Blk. 5; Lots 11 and 12, Blk. 17; Lots 2 and 4, Blk. 33; Lots 2 and 4, Blk. 22; Lots 5, 6, 7, Blk. 10; Lot 12, Blk. 21; Lots 6, 8, 10, 12, Blk. 32; Lot 6, Blk. 13, La Huerta Add. to Carlsbad.

Warranty Deeds:  
Jesus Trujillo to Eloy Martinez \$1.00 Lots 8 and 10, Blk. 8, Orig. Loving. F. E. Baker to A. G. Shelby \$1.00 S. 75 feet of Lots 1 and 3, Blk. 44, Stevens Add. to Carlsbad. Bertha L. Burns to H. C. Keiser Lot 9, Blk. 33, Art. Imp. Co. Add. to Artesia. A. L. Means to J. R. Plowman \$10.00 S 1/4 SW 1/4; S 1/2 SE 1/4 18; SW 1/4 SW 1/4 17; W 1/2 SE 1/4; E 1/2 SW 1/4 30-19-23. J. R. Plowman to R. L. Means \$1,000 Und. half interest in SW 1/4 4; Lots 3 and 4 and E 1/2 SW 1/4 18-17-24; NENW 26-16-23. F. G. Keyes to G. N. Amis Und. half interest in lots 1 and 3, Blk. 8, Orig. Artesia. Globe Plaster and Mining Co. to J. R. Knight \$10.00 SW 1/4; SE 1/4 7; SW 1/4 8; NW 1/4 SW 1/4 17; NW 1/4; SW 1/4; SE 1/4 18-20-27; S 1/2 SE 1/4 29; NE 1/4; SE 1/4 32; NESW SENE 32; W 1/2 NW 1/4; NW 1/4 SW 1/4 33-20-29.

December 16, 1927.  
Quit Claim Deed:  
W. A. Moore to Julian Sanchez \$250.00 Lots 20 and 22, Blk. 10, Orig. Eddy now Carlsbad.  
Warranty Deeds:  
E. Hendricks to Chas. H. James \$1.00 Lot 8, Block 75 Lowe Add. to Carlsbad. Felis Mederes to Santiago Martinez \$50.00 Lots 3 and 24, Blk. "E" East San Jose. First National Bank, Artesia to J. S. Ward Lots 1 and 3, Blk. 4, Forest Hill Add. to Artesia. C. W. Herring to A. W. Dallman, Pt. SE 1/4 SW 1/4 8-22-27 being Lot 10 of Riverside Farms; Pt. SW 1/4 SE 1/4 8-22-27 being lot 12 Riverside Farms.  
In the District Court:  
No. 4524 Divorce. Manuela Orduñez vs. Mariano Orduñez.  
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Oliver Pearson to Ida Laura Watson \$1.00 NW 1/4 8-16-25.  
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Lige Mitchell to Dave Mitchell \$200.00 part SE 1/4 2-22-26.  
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## SORGO (CANE) SEED MOVEMENT ABOUT THE COUNTRY AS LAST YEAR

Sorgo (cane) seed moved from the hands of growers at about the same rate as last year, according to the U. S. Bureau of Agricultural Economics. Up to December 6, about 15 per cent of the crop, or the same as last year, had been sold by growers compared with 10 per cent two years ago. Movement was faster than last year in Texas, about the same in Oklahoma and slower in Kansas. Much of the seed had not been threshed in some districts. Growers in general were not free sellers, at prevailing prices.

In general prices were irregular and higher than last year in Texas and Tennessee but lower in majority of important districts. But slight changes occurred in prices during the past month and on December 6, prices for amber sorgo averaged \$1.30 compared with \$1.65 last year and \$1.35 two years ago. Prices for sunac sorgo were about 5c lower than amber while they were 25c and 10c lower respectively, last year and the year before at a corresponding time. Prices of orange sorgo were 5c-10c higher than amber. In some districts, the different varieties were bought at about the same price.

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## POLITICAL POT WILL BOIL EARLY IN 1928 SAYS ED. STAFFORD

SANTA FE.—The political pot will be boiling early in 1928 if the new republican state chairman, Ed Safford, carries out his announced intentions.

When Safford expressed the view before the state central committee here Thursday afternoon that organization for the fight should begin early he was roundly applauded. A big hand also followed his praise of Gov. R. C. Dillon's administration, indicating that present republican sentiment favors no change in the governorship.

Safford was unopposed for election as state chairman, although Col. Geo. W. Prichard caused something of a flurry when he opposed accepting the resignation of Hugh H. Williams. The executive committee will choose a vice chairman to succeed Mrs. Frank W. Parker, resigned. It will call a state convention, probably in May, to name delegates to the national republican convention in Kansas City.

## BANKS PAY OFF \$12,000,000 IN LAST SIX YEARS

(El Paso Herald)  
Liquidation totaling \$12,003,000 in the comparatively short space of six years stands as the record achievement of member banks of the El Paso federal reserve branch. The territory embraced is west Texas, parts of New Mexico and Arizona. March 5, 1921, the outstanding loans amounted to \$12,778,000. Tuesday, when the directors met, the report of W. O. Ford, managing director of the El Paso branch, disclosed the amount at this time was exactly \$775. This also would be wiped out, if the sum was matured. The amount is represented by a few scattering notes.

At the directors' session, A. P. Coles factiously made the motion that the directors themselves pay off the small outstanding amount so that the slate would be absolutely clean.

West Texas, oil activities, improved cattle conditions and the agricultural situation are the three factors to which is attributed this section's most excellent financial status at this time.

Another outstanding and conclusive proof of the unsurpassed financial rating of this particular section is the fact that the El Paso branch is now holding bankers' acceptances to the amount of 1,100,000 for member banks, invested through the branch.

Thirty-one thousand bales of cotton ginned in the Pecos valley and so far, 75,000 in the upper and lower valleys in the El Paso territory, are other important factors that have made up the tremendous financial achievement. Early crops also had something to do with this.

Banks in the El Paso district including El Paso banks, but particularly those in west Texas oil territory, have on deposit more money than at any time in their history.

"Business conditions in this section," Mr. Ford said, "are better than at any period since the establishment of the federal reserve bank in El Paso."

"Many of the member banks," continued Mr. Ford, "have substantial investments in government se-

## WE THANK YOU!

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# SOCIAL ITEMS OF INTEREST IN AND AROUND ARTESIA

## PAST NOBLE GRANDS' CLUB

The Club had an unusually enjoyable meeting at the Fred Spencer home last Thursday evening with a very good attendance of the membership. After a social session election of officers was held with the result that Mrs. Bob Caraway was elected president; Mrs. C. Bert Smith, first vice president; Mrs. M. W. Evans, second vice president; Miss Ella Bauslin, secretary and Mrs. Jack Hastie, treasurer. During the year the club has conducted a membership contest with Mrs. J. M. Story and Mrs. Evans, captains of the opposing divisions. Mrs. Story's division won and are expecting to be royally entertained by the losers. The captains for the coming year are Mesdames Harve Muncy and Herman Jones. Mrs. Mary Abbott, joint hostess for Thursday night, assisted Mrs. Spencer in serving delicious refreshments.

## FOOT BALL BOYS ARE ENTERTAINED

Mr. and Mrs. Montague gave a party and dance at their home in the field last Friday evening for the members of the first and second football teams, their son, Francis being a member of the first team. The girls friends of the players were also invited. The young folks enjoyed an evening of dancing and merriment of various kinds. Music for the dancing was furnished by an orchestra composed of Miss Katherine Clarke, Paul Cobble and Ferrell McLean. Delicious refreshments were served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. E. H. Perry and Mrs. J. G. Littlejohn. About thirty-five were present.

## EVENING BRIDGE CLUB

A tournament between the ladies and the gentlemen of the Friday Evening Bridge Club furnished the reason for a splendid turkey dinner, which was staged at the Dr. Clarke home last Friday evening. After a series of games in which the two factions played against the other, with equal success, the result was decided by lot. The gentlemen won and it was "up to" the ladies to serve the dinner. This they did Friday night, that is, they prepared it, but it fell to the lot of the winners to serve it. Each gentleman found beneath his plate instructions as to what he was to do. While they carried out their instructions the ladies sat at their ease and enjoyed watching them work. Altogether it was a pleasant time, especially for the losers. After the dinner there was an amusing little play, arranged by Mrs. Kennedy, in which also the gentlemen were the performers, gracefully taking the parts of an inn, signposts, winding paths and babbling brooks, etc. It was one of the most enjoyable functions ever given by the club. Those present were Messrs. and Mesdames Yates, Bigler, Wheatley, V. L. Gates, Mrs. E. J. Brooks, Mr. Kennedy and the host and hostess.

## FIRST BRIDGE CLUB

Mrs. George Welton was hostess to the First Bridge Club on Tuesday afternoon. There were two substitutes. Mrs. Jeff Hightower and Miss Katherine Clarke. The hostess served delicious refreshments.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS PARTY

Mrs. H. C. McDade entertained her Methodist Sunday school class of young girls at her home on Monday evening, sixteen members being present. It was a Christmas party and there was a beautiful Christmas tree with Christmas cards and Christmas greeting favors used in the refreshments—of cake, orange baskets containing ambrosia and etc. The girls present were Wilma Robinson, Louise Compton, Ethelyn Cobble, Evelyn Cobble, Evelyn Keiser, Nina Gray, Fay Cass, Mary Smith, Katherine Filbert, Anna Louise Gege, Nelda Wilson, Jack Ward, Lilla Jackson.

## GIRL SCOUT PARTY

Plans have been made by the Artesia girl scout council to give a party for all girl scouts of Artesia on the evening of December 30th. The entertainment will be given at the Artesia Banquet hall. All girl scouts are invited.

## STAND ASIDE

Just stand aside and watch yourself go by; Think of yourself as "He" instead of "I"; Pick flaws, find fault, forget the man is you; And strive to make your estimate ring true; The faults of others then will dwindle and shrink; Love's chain grows stronger by one mighty link; When you, with "He" as substitute for "I"; Have stood aside and watched yourself go by.—Exchange.

# Social Calendar

TELEPHONE 217

## THURSDAY (TONIGHT)

High school play, "The Mummy and the Mumps," at school auditorium.

## FRIDAY

The Young Mothers' Club have a Christmas Party at the home of Mrs. John Van Weldon, at 2:30 p. m.

Short program and Christmas tree at the Methodist church for the Sunday school at 7 p. m.

There will be a Christmas tree with a program at the Nazarene church at 7 p. m.

## SUNDAY

Christmas Cantata at the Methodist church at 7 p. m.

A White Christmas will be celebrated at the Christian church with an appropriate moving picture and program at 7 p. m.

Sacred program at the Presbyterian church with special orchestra entertainment, "Chimes of Christmas," at 7 p. m.

Special Christmas program at the Baptist church Sunday evening at 7 p. m.

## TUESDAY

The Second Bridge Club will meet with Mrs. Sdwel at 2:30 p. m.

The Idlewhites Bridge Club postponed until Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Haley at 2:30 p. m.

## Christmas Presents and Things That Can Be Made

ONE of the annually recurring problems of the Christmas season is: "What unusual and attractive gifts are simple and inexpensive enough for the children to make?" Here are a few suggestions:

Among the easiest is a lovely perfume made by sticking an apple with cloves until it is completely covered, and appears to be a brown ball. It will last for years, lending a delicate fragrance to lingerie or handkerchiefs. The hostess who entertains often will welcome a scrap book of party ideas, games, refreshments, etc., which may be clipped from the newspapers and magazines. These may be grouped as to seasons—Christmas, Halloween or Thanksgiving. How-to-do-something items and recipes also make good collections. The latter may be either arranged as menus or classed as soups, vegetables, etc. These books should preferably be of the loose-leaf type, and in any case, the pages should be numbered and the items indexed.

A dainty pinholder may be made from six empty match boxes, pasted together to form a chest of drawers. Cover the front and back of each inner box, glue the outer boxes together, and paste a colored cover around the top, bottom and sides. If cloth is used, unless it is exceptionally heavy, it will be necessary to paste a cover of white paper on first, so that the printing on the match boxes will not show through. To each drawer attach a hook, snap, button, pin, etc., to serve as a handle and to indicate its contents.

Not alone women, but men, too, appreciate handkerchiefs. Some are made of crepe de chine or georgette and edged with lace. Colored threads may be drawn in them, although this work is easier in pongee or linen. To make them exceptionally distinctive and personal, in place of an initial or monogram, trace and embroider the signature of the person for whom they are intended.—Helen Gaisford.

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## The Postman Was Loaded With a Burden of Love

"WELL, John Tracy, you look like old Santa, himself!" called Postmaster Briggs to John Tracy, the veteran mail carrier of the Heights section of Midbury.

"I not only look like one but I feel decidedly so, for a funny thing happened today!" Tracy's face was wreathed in smiles as he walked across to his locker and dropped his cargo of mysterious looking packages within.

The gang was all curiosity, but he kept them guessing while he took his time locking up the steel cabinet and seating himself for a moment's rest.

"My customers," as he always termed his patrons or the community which he served, "planned a job on me. They appointed a committee, I understand, to interview every family on my route. They asked that every one refrain from mailing one thing this morning, that I would be empty handed unless it be a present for me. For a couple of blocks I didn't know what to think, but at almost every house I found a package for me, and then I began to get wise. So—to make a long story short—I carried nothing back with me but things addressed to myself. But, Briggs, it sure was a burden of love! Gosh, I didn't dream folks thought that much of only THEIR POSTMAN!"—L. B. Lyons.

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Calling cards, 100 for \$1.75, padded stock.—The Advocate.

# LOCALS

H. S. Hunter, assistant editor of the El Paso Herald, was an Artesia visitor Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sid Cox and Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Thompson drove to Roswell today.

E. Page, who has been working at Hagerman, came home Saturday on account of illness.

William and Stewart Compton are at home from the Military Institute for the holidays.

Guy Reed Brainerd is at home from the Military Institute at Roswell for Christmas vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Dexter left Tuesday to spend the holidays at San Antonio, Texas.

Crawford and Johnson have shipped about thirty cars of cattle from the pens at Red Bluff.

Mrs. C. O. Brown and daughter, Miss Ella, and Mrs. E. H. Perry motored to Roswell Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Dexter left Tuesday to spend Christmas with friends at San Antonio, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Kranz are here from Roswell to spend Christmas with the parents of Mrs. Kranz, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Floore.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Wells have been here from Chicago this week visiting Mr. and Mrs. S. Gregg. They are en route to California.

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Wells, of the Cottonwood community, left this week for Wichita Falls, Texas, where they expect to locate for a while.

E. W. Shannon, of Oklahoma City, auditor of the American Tank Co., spent the latter part of the week, looking after the interests of his company.

Miss Opal Martin is at home from Wichita Falls, Texas for the holidays. Miss Martin has just finished her course at the business college there and will return there after New Year's to take a position with the Fleischmann Yeast Company.

Miss Mollie H. Donnelly, state health physiotherapist, who is giving aftercare to the infantile paralysis cases, has closed her work in Curry and Roosevelt Counties and gone to Chaves County, where she will remain for about two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Beecher Rowan received a message Tuesday afternoon that their daughter, Miss Aline, had been successfully operated upon that morning for appendicitis in a Los Angeles hospital. Miss Rowan had been ill for several weeks previously.

Mrs. J. H. Holloman left last week for Shreveport, Minden and other Louisiana points to spend the holidays with relatives and attend a family reunion of her brothers and sisters. One member of the family, she has not seen for twenty years.

George F. Senner, city attorney of Miami Arizona, accompanied by J. Leslie Dandy, president of the Southwest Investment Co., of Los Angeles, California were Artesia visitors Monday. Both Messrs. Senner and Dandy own considerable oil interests in this section of the state.

Mrs. S. D. Rogers arrived Sunday from Hastings, Nebraska for an extended visit with her husband's mother, Mrs. Silas Rogers, and other relatives. Mr. Rogers is expected to come in a few weeks. Mrs. Rogers, Sr., who has been confined to her bed with a broken hip for some time, is considerably improved.

Mrs. Chester Russell and Miss Dora Russell arrived home Sunday evening from California. Mrs. Russell had been with her father and sister, who were sick in Los Angeles and Miss Dora had been attending school at the University of California at Berkeley. The latter finished her course and received her degree of Master of Arts.

Landis Ed Feather went to Roswell last Friday to see Santa Claus, but the old fellow had been there the week before and was not on view last Saturday. Landis Ed's aunt, Miss Shirley Feather, brought him home Sunday. Miss Feather is expected to spend the Christmas vacation with the home folks here.

Tex Polk and daughter, Miss Glenn, are expected the last of the week to spend the holidays at home. Mr. and Mrs. Skelt Williams and baby are in from the ranch for a holiday visit and Mr. and Mrs. John Runyan and children will be in for Christmas. Kelly Polk, of Abilene, Texas, had the misfortune to break both of his arms a few weeks ago and will not be able to be home for Christmas.

Shorty, the barber sez: "At the rate wives are shooting husbands these days it occurs to me a pistol would make a more appropriate Christmas present than a pickle dish."

If your grit lasts, you will, too.

# SENATOR JONES FORMER MAYOR OF LAS VEGAS HELD MANY OFFICES

WASHINGTON.—Death has removed from the senate one of its outstanding democrats—Senator Andrius A. Jones of New Mexico.

Victim of frequent attacks of Angina pectoris, the Senator died at his residence here Tuesday night in his 65th year. His condition weakened by a cold that had confined him to his quarters since the start of this session of congress, Senator Jones was unable to overcome a sudden recurrence of his ailment. The senator last was stricken during the closing session of the sixty-ninth congress but was believed to have materially regained his health.

Coming to the senate in 1917, Senator Jones became one of its leading figures, serving on two important committees—appropriations and finance—as well as holding other posts. Before this election to the senate he was first assistant secretary of interior under President Wilson from 1913 to 1917.

The Senator had served his party on many occasions, as delegate to the national convention of 1896, as chairman of the New Mexico democratic committee, as a member of the national committee from 1908 to 1922 and during the 1924 campaign as chairman of the democratic senatorial campaign committee.

The legal profession claimed the senator after he had taught school for two years in Tennessee, his home state, and had served as principal of public schools of Las Vegas, his New Mexico home. In 1893 he served as mayor of Las Vegas, his first public office.

Senator Jones was born in Union City, Tennessee, and was graduated from Valparaiso University.

WASHINGTON.—Senator A. A. Jones, of New Mexico, who died here Tuesday night, will be buried next Wednesday at Las Vegas, where funeral services will be held.

The funeral party, including Mrs. Jones, her son, and a congressional committee, will leave here Sunday for the late senator's home state.

## When Phillip Received That Christmas Gift

PRISCILLA was making pumpkin pies. The fruit cake had been ripened and the turkey lay in festive state, stuffed with sage and onion. Although it was really a chicken, one didn't mention that, no more than one mentioned the fact that daddy was Santa Claus, or that the little black stockings which hung before the hearth fire would not be very full.

There was only one blot in Priscilla's Christmas joy. "I can't give Phillip anything," she said to her mother, worriedly. "It isn't as if he were a youngster and satisfied with red-yaarn knitted mittens, or as if he were a poor boy, even, but when he sends me orchids, mother, I—I don't know what to do." Phillip was the young man from the city who had been exceedingly attentive to Priscilla. Flowers he sent, and fruits and dainty candies, but not the simple, homely kind to which she had been accustomed. It was not this air of richness though that made Priscilla's heart beat quick and thrilly. It was the simple, boyish way of him. Dear? Yes, she had just admitted it to herself.

And now he was coming to Christmas dinner with her and her happy, humble family and Priscilla in her unworriedness, felt that she had no gift for him. Her mother, though, was wiser. She looked with a tender, wistful pride at her fair young daughter, the daughter with soft eyes shining, with hair curled gayly in the steam of the fragrant kitchen, with rose-petal cheeks, blushed warm by young love and by Christmas. She finished her cooking and set the long white table where the hearth fire glowed and the Christmas tree was festive with red and tinsel.

Then Phillip had come and the dinner was progressing, fluffy potatoes and gravy all brown, the roasted turkey which was a chicken, really, the old fruit cake and, last of all, the spiced pumpkin pie. The mother watched and smiled, but her eyes were moist a little, for every bit of food Priscilla served was a gift. If only Phill could know.

But no one could explain to Phill. After the meal was over and extravagantly praised, the rich boy from the city seemed comfortably at home. He and Priscilla took a walk through the crisp, snowy Christmas starlight and still she could not tell him that she had no gift for him. Back to the front steps they came, then out of the shadows Buddie jumped and ran into the house. Phillip saw the mistletoe first and suddenly there was no need for explanations. The stars and the snowflakes saw him take the sweetest gift of all.—Maxine Chapman.

## CHRISTMAS SERVICES AT ST. PAUL'S MISSION

Rev. Palmer, of Carlsbad, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Mission will hold a Christmas service at the Mission Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. There will be a Christmas sermon and special Christmas. Communion will be celebrated.

See our samples of Engraving—Artesia Advocate.

# Tempting Dutch Lunch Platters



By CAROLINE B. KING  
Culinary Expert and Lecturer on Domestic Science

FOR informal entertaining, or even when no one but the home folks are to be served, it would be a hard matter to find anything more tempting than a nicely balanced, temptingly arranged assortment of cold meats, sliced wafer thin, pickles, cheese in variety and eggs, served with wholesome bread and butter sandwiches of one of the coarser breads. Take care that everything is very cold, that the platter is set forth with exactness and that all looks fresh and dainty.

**Meat Loaf Platter:** Thinly sliced cold meat loaf arranged down the center of the platter, flanked on one side with cold ham cut very thin, and on the other by tomatoes sliced and dipped in French dressing. Garnish the platter with cubes of aspic jelly, and small spiced pickles halved lengthwise, and place sprigs of water cress here and there to add a touch of cool green to the platter. Serve with whole wheat bread and butter sandwiches.

**Swiss Platter:** Arrange thin slices of genuine Swiss cheese for the main portion of the platter, and surround with quartered tomatoes of regular size which have been dipped in French dressing. Around the tomatoes place a row of stuffed eggs halved crosswise, and garnish with sliced dill pickles.

**Ham and Cabbage Platter:** Arrange alternate and overlapping rows of thinly sliced cold boiled ham and Swiss-land cheese, garnishing with narrow strips of canned pimiento. Around the edge of the platter place cup-shaped leaves of lettuce, each filled with a cabbage slaw chopped very fine and dressed with cream dressing. Over the top of the slaw sprinkle paprika and a very few caraway seeds. Serve with rye or whole wheat bread and butter sandwiches.

**Canned Meat Platter:** This is an emergency platter, and a very delicious one. For it use Vienna sausage and veal loaf, or other canned meat, arranging all neatly on a cold platter. Group sliced Switzerland cheese at each end of the platter, and place spoonfuls of stiff tartar sauce on each slice of meat. Canned asparagus well drained and dipped in French dressing and placed on lettuce leaves makes a tasteful and appropriate garnish for this platter.

**Alsace Platter:** Arrange slices of cold corned beef cut very thin in the center of the platter, surround the meat with thin slices of Switzerland cheese and separated by quarters of hard boiled eggs cut lengthwise. Garnish the platter with whole tiny red beets which have been boiled, then cooled in spiced vinegar, and

## GLOBE PLASTER SALE REPORTED

It is unofficially reported here that the Globe Plaster and Mining Co. property at Globe, just above Avalon reservoir, had been sold by the trust company owners of Kansas City to J. R. Knight. It was impossible to secure confirmation or to learn just who Mr. Knight is or represents. This mill has been the subject of many rumors and several concerns have been interested in purchase of it much of the time since it was closed down a few years ago. With an operating payroll of about \$2,000 a month, and an unlimited working area which includes 2,040 acres, local hopes have continued strong that a sale would be completed and the plant reopened.—Current-Argus.

## COME ON PECOS VALLEY FOLKS

GREENSBURGH, Pa.—The second set of triplets was born to Mrs. Michael Garrity of Brownstown, near here, Friday. The first group was composed of boys, the second of girls.

## JAZZ MUSIC IS BANNED FROM SALT LAKE CITY

SALT LAKE CITY.—Jazz music arouses only low passions and is banned from future programs at the West high school of this city. This was the edict of principal Fred D. Keller in instructing the student body president to see that only classical music was included on school programs from now on. He banned jazz as a product of the "low" and asserted moreover that the students really preferred classical music to jazz.

## MOST USED TOWN NAME

What would you guess is the most used name for a town in the United States? Postmaster McIntosh and Paul Shahan got to looking it up the other day and found that Washington is the most used. There are 27 Washingtons in the country. But the Marions run them a close race with 26. And if you don't count Washington, D. C., and some folk don't think it counts for much, especially the politically outs, then the score stands even.—Marion (Kan.) Record.

With keen appreciation of your good will and patronage and best wishes for a Cherry Christmas and a Happy New Year

Richards Electric Shop

Christmas Greetings and all

Good Wishes for the New Year

Big Jo Lumber Co.

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The Roswell Mattress Co. makes new ones out of your old ones. Called for and delivered. Work guaranteed. Roswell Mattress Co., Roswell, N. Mex. 43-4tp-1f

**FOR SALE OR RENT**—Modern five room house. See J. S. Ward, phone 173. 50-tfc

**FOR SALE BY OWNER**—State of New Mexico Oil and Gas Lease covering all or any forty acre tracts as follows:

NW¼ of SE¼; SE¼ of NE¼; Section 32, T. 21 S., R. 28 E  
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SE¼ of SE¼; NW¼ of SW¼; SE¼ of NE¼; SW¼ of SE¼; NE¼ of NE¼; Sec. 2, T. 22 S., R. 28 E.  
NE¼ of SW¼; NW¼ of NE¼; SW¼ of SW¼; SE¼ of SW¼; SE¼ of SE¼; NE¼ of SE¼; NW¼ of SE¼; NE¼ of NE¼; Sec. 16, T. 22 S., R. 28 E.  
Address O. W. Tong, 528 Metropolitan Life Bldg., Minneapolis, Minnesota. 51-3tc

**XMAS TURKEYS**—All sizes 25c a lb. Dressed turkeys a specialty. Fryers 20c a lb. D. E. Hedgepeth farm. 52-2tp

**FOR SALE**—1927 model Dodge touring car. \$100.00. H. Attebery, 806 Quay. 1-2tp

**DRY APPLE WOOD.** Any size. Phone J. B. Cecil, 130F2. 1-1tc

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**FOR SALE**—80 acres good productive land with flowing well, fair improvements, at a bargain. Act now. Address Y, care of this office. 1-1tc

## LEASE FOR SALE

Will sell a 40 acre lease in Sec. 17, Twp. 17 S., Rng. 35 E., about five miles from the Ingfield deep test well. I will accept \$550 dollars cash, or will take a 1927 model Ford roadster or Coupe at \$300 as part payment if car is in good order. If interested write, A. F. ROSELLE, Glencoe, N. M. 1-3tc

## OWNER DROPS \$500

If sold before first. Seven lots, five room plastered house, garage, hen house. Seven bearing pear trees, row bearing grapes, all fenced net wire. All goes for \$1400. \$800 cash, balance to suit. Would consider good light car as part cash. Plain Realty Co., 205 West Main, Artesia, Box 665. 1-2tp

## FOR RENT

**FOR RENT**—Furnished room, close in, connecting bath, outside entrance. Phone 299 or inquire at Advocate Office. 42-4f

**FOR RENT**—Four room furnished cottage. Apply to S. A. Lanning. 52-2tp

**APARTMENT**—Close modern conveniences, with garage. Phone 158. 50-tfc

**FOR RENT**—One four room house, furnished if desired. One five room house and bath, furnished if desired. Wm. Daugherty. 52-2tp

**FOR RENT**—Furnished or unfurnished four room house, one room and rooms. Modern and clean. 901 West Richardson Ave. Mrs. Mary Boans. 52-tfc

## WANTED

**WANTED**—Business lot with or without building. Give location and price. Address Z, care of Advocate. 52-2tp

**WANTED**—Cattle to pasture. I can winter 200 to 250 cattle, good pasture and stalk field, plenty of threshed hay, and cane to feed when cold or after pasture is short. See or call R. H. Norton, 7 miles north of Artesia. 52-2tp

isire drilling contract on my Government Permit in Sec. 32 and 33, R. 21, Eddy County, N. M. James Nelson, 512 New York Life Bldg., Minneapolis, Minn. 52-2tc

## LOST

**LOST**—Suitcase between Lake Arthur and Carlsbad. Reward. Pearl Forehand, Carlsbad. 1-1tp

## FOUND

**FOUND**—Sweater, owner can have same by calling at City Market, giving property and paying for ad. 1-1tc

# 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.

R. D. Compton Well No. 4, Mann permit, in the SW¼ NW¼ sec. 4-18-27; Drilling below 1440 feet.  
F. W. & Y Oil Co., well No. 55, SE corner NW NE sec. 32-18-28; Shut down.  
Grimm et al., Daugherty No. 1, NE SW sec. 3-17-27; Reported shut down in gas sand at 1600 feet, account of weather.  
Getty Oil Co., Hinkle No. 1, NE corner sec. 23-20-29; Production shut in.  
Getty Oil Co., Ada Nicholas No. 1, in the NW NW sec. 25-20-29; Moving materials.  
Hammond Oil Co., NW SE SW sec. 15-16-25; No report.

**Hamilton Petroleum Co., Billings No. 1, sec. 12-19-26; Drilling below 1550 feet.**  
**Livers-Carper No. 5, sec. 3-18-28; Shut down at 2400 feet account weather.**  
**Manhattan Oil Co., No. 1, Cronin permit, SE NE sec. 1-18-27; Location.**  
**Pueblo Oil Co., Yates No. 2, SW SE sec. 33-17-28; On production.**  
**Pueblo Oil Co., Gessert No. 1, in the N NW sec. 1-17-31; Shut down awaiting 8-inch casing.**  
**Skelly Oil Co., Lynch permit, sec. 22-17-31; Reported preparing to shoot.**  
**Texas Production Co., Robinson No. 2, NW SW sec. 25-16-31; Production shut in at 4012 feet.**

## Chaves County.

**Arena Oil Co., NE¼ sec 18-13-31; Set 12½ inch casing at 412. Shut down at 780 feet.**  
**Buffalo Roswell, in sec. 24-11-27; Shut down at 4300 feet.**  
**Gibson Oil Corp., Forsyth No. 1, center NE¼ sec. 8-11-23; S. D. at 3500 feet.**  
**McQuigg Bros., Neis No. 1, center NW NW sec. 7-53-29E; Shut down at 1550 awaiting title adjustment.**  
**Sparrow and Drake, Fahrlander No. 1, sec. 11-6-27; S. D. at 80 feet.**

## Lea County.

**Bordages, Jennie Hughes No. 1, center of S½ sec. 27-19-38; Shut down at 620 feet.**  
**Exploration Company, well No. 1, in the NE¼ sec. 25-19-35; Shut down at 4005 feet.**  
**Henderson-Dexter-Blair, Wyatt No. 1, SW SW sec. 34-17-33; Clearing out after shot.**  
**Ingfield & Bridges, sec. 4-17-34; Preparing for shot.**  
**A. D. Morton well No. 1, in the SW¼ SW¼ sec. 28-11-38; Location only.**  
**Majamar Oil and Gas Corp., Beardsley No. 2, NE corner SE NE sec. 15-17-32; Fishing at 3965 feet.**  
**Midwest Oil and Refining Co., NE NE sec. 9-19-35; Drilling below 1320 feet.**  
**Marland Oil Co., well No. 1 SWNE sec. 19-26-37; Moving materials.**  
**Texas Production Co., Rhodes No. 1, NW¼ sec. 22-26-37; Production shut in at 3213 feet.**

## Curry County.

**Frio Oil Co., Saunders No. 2, in sec. 11, twp. 6N, 35 E.; Shut down at 1250 feet.**  
**Hasson Petroleum Co., Arthur Laird No. 1, sec. 22-8-36; Reported taken over by the Bellview Oil and Gas Co.**  
**Petroleum Development Co., Menard No. 1, sec. 35-5-33; Drilling below 300 feet.**  
**Steinberger et al., No. 1, in the center of the NE¼ sec. 21, twp. 3 N., 35 E.; Drilling at 3775 feet. 300 feet water in hole.**

## Quay County.

**Argo Oil Co., sec. 5-7-31; Preparing to drill deeper to 4,000 Ohio Oil Co., sec. 24, twp 7 N, rg. 29 E.; Drilling below 4610 feet.**

## DeBaca County.

**McAdoo Petroleum Corp., State No. 1, sec. 16-1-27; Shut down at 2710 feet.**

## CRAWFORD NAMED BY FEDERAL BANK

A. J. Crawford of Carlsbad is a member of the board of directors of the El Paso branch of the Federal Reserve Bank. Mr. Crawford was at Big Springs, Texas, when the telegram came telling of his election, and did not learn of it until his return Wednesday. Carlsbad appreciates the honor conferred on this city by the naming of a citizen on this very important board. It is not only a recognition of Mr. Crawford, but suggests the closer bond between the cities of El Paso and Carlsbad, and it is also a recognition of Carlsbad's new place among cities of importance in the whole southwest. This is the first time that a director from this section has been named on this board. Current-Argus.

Typewriter Ribbons for sale at The Advocate.

# THE TRAVELLING MILK LABORATORY FINISHES ITS WORK THIS WEEK

On August 23, the traveling milk laboratory, loaned to the state by the American Child Health Association, arrived in Santa Fe and commenced operations. The work was in charge of Howard R. Estes, who is both a practical dairyman and a milk inspector of some years experience. He was assisted throughout the three months and a half that he spent in this state by Paul S. Fox, chief of our division of Sanitary Engineering and Sanitation. In the middle of October it was necessary to return the laboratory equipment loaned to us, but we were able to gather together a satisfactory set of apparatus and continue the work without interruption. Mr. Estes closed his work this week and made a final report which is summarized below.

"It is quite apparent," says Mr. Estes in his report, "that the dairy industry should be fostered in New Mexico. New Mexico is not primarily a dairying country and yet the addition of this industry to the ones already in existence, it appears, would be of material benefit to the state.

The spirit shown by the dairymen was especially good all over the state. Practically every dairyman inclined to want to put out the best product possible. New Mexico, which is coming to be known as a health center, should have a good milk supply. There are large numbers of people throughout the state who are convalescing from tuberculosis and other diseases, who are quite dependent on the various milk supplies. For this reason, if for no other, the milk supply should be above reproach. There has been little work done apparently to increase consumption of dairy products. In some sections of the state such campaigns would result in no good because there is a lack of dairy cows, but in other sections of the state "drink-more-milk" campaigns could be put on with advantage to both the producer and the consumer. There is an outstanding absence of pasteurized milk in the state of New Mexico. This is due in part to the large number of smaller milk dealers, but nevertheless there are a number of larger dealers who could well afford to put in pasteurizing equipment.

New Mexico has a very small number of full-time milk inspectors (actually three)—However, with the county unit health officer system the lack of a full-time milk inspector has not reacted beneficially to the milk supplies of many small settlements, some of which are not incorporated. The system of county health units is very beneficial to the milk supplies of many small settlements, some of which are not incorporated. A county health officer interested in milk improvement can materially improve such milk supplies, working under the county system. This would not be possible if city health officers only were employed. There are a number of communities entirely owned by large commercial interests. The quality of the milk supply in such communities is easily regulated. Executives of these commercial organizations in every case showed a very fine spirit and interest in the improvement of the milk supplies for which they were responsible. Many organized communities cannot afford to maintain a milk testing laboratory. This disadvantage can be overcome largely through the traveling milk laboratory now owned by the state. The sentiment throughout the state is especially strong for the continuance of the milk tests by the traveling laboratory. It is believed no great opposition would be encountered for an appropriation by the legislature of a sufficient amount of money necessary to operate the laboratory continuously.

The survey revealed a wide range of bacterial counts as was to be expected. There is a decided absence of skimming and watering of milk in the state of New Mexico. The activity of health officials is directly reflected in the quality of the milk found in the various counties. Where a health officer is interested in a milk improvement program, counties were found to be much improved as compared with other localities throughout the state. It can be again repeated that the traveling laboratory now owned by the state could be used to great advantage.

We are pleased to give this report to the readers of this paper. This report showed the dairies of Eddy County to be in fairly satisfactory conditions and we hope to be able to improve them more. Eddy county is in need of two well equipped pasteurizing plants in the hands of competent management. COUNTY HEALTH DEPT.

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# DAYTON ITEMS (Mrs. W. H. Rambo, Reporter)

Lyda House, of Lakewood, was in Dayton Wednesday.

Price Bowman and wife moved back to Dayton Saturday.

Dayton school closed Wednesday for the Christmas holidays.

Hoyt Owens and wife are visiting at the H. N. Owens home.

M. C. Lee and wife, of Lakewood were guests of Bob House and family Monday.

here last week and reports Lakewood is to have a community Christmas tree.

D. S. Eads, who has been visiting his family a short time, has returned to Slayton.

Jim Ytumalda, who farmed last year on the Wynan farm, left for Pecos, Texas last week.

R. C. Horner accompanied his brother on a trip through the mountains. On his return he stopped at Artesia and purchased a new car.

Lewis McLarry, who has been working for J. C. Turnbull in the lumber camp near Bernalillo, returned to his home at Atoka last week.

Regardless of the heavy snow Tuesday there was a large crowd attended the sale at B. Tom Smith's place and everything sold brought a good price.

Seyler Smith and family, of Dexter stopped a short time with Dayton friends Sunday on their way to spend the day with their daughter, Mrs. Will Henderson at Carlsbad.

Wm. Sterling and family were pleasantly surprised by a visit from their son, Stewart Sterling and family of Silver City, December 10. They also visited with Stewart's sister, Mrs. Jessie Thomas, of Carlsbad, returning to Silver City the 15th.

E. S. Horner, formerly of Dayton, now of Amarillo, was in Dayton last week visiting with his brother and family also other Dayton friends, and reports a new baby girl at their home December 9th. Mother and baby doing fine. Daughter's name is Mary Rogene Horner.

It is reported that Mrs. J. D. Terry who is on her way to visit with

# HOLIDAYS SPEED UP CONTEMPT TRIAL OF HARRY F. SINCLAIR ET AL

WASHINGTON.—The approach of Christmas speeded activities Monday in the criminal contempt case of Harry F. Sinclair, William J. Burns and their associates, the prosecutors preparing to place important testimony before Justice Frederick L. Siddons before the holiday recess.

William J. McMullin, a former Burns detective, who shadowed the oil jury during the Fall-Sinclair conspiracy trial out of which grew the contempt cases was one of the witnesses they expected to call during the week. McMullin, who kept the government informed of the detectives' activities, in an affidavit charged that Burns' men prepared a false affidavit for use if necessary to bring about a mistrial of the case. Another witness this week will be J. Ray Akers, who, with Don K. King, a newspaper reporter, presented affidavits charging Edward J. Kidwell, Jr., with talking freely about the trial.

her daughter in Georgia, happened to a severe accident while visiting her granddaughter, Beulah at Dallas. Mrs. Terry made a mistake in the door leading into her room and opened the door to the basement and fell about ten feet over cement steps down on a cement floor, breaking her arm. The physician says she will have to carry her arm in a sling for three weeks but they will continue their trip. Her friends extend their sympathy.

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# AUTO PUBLICITY STUNT TO COST \$1000 MINUTE

NEW YORK.—At a cost of more than \$1000 a minute, a new model automobile will be introduced to the American public by radio January 4.

Will Rogers, Fred Stone, Paul Whiteman and Al Jolson, in four different corners of America, will broadcast to the entire United States, between 10:30 and 11 p. m. on that date through a hook-up of thirty-three broadcasting stations. Rogers will act as master of ceremonies from Hollywood, California, Fred Stone will go on the air from Chicago, Paul Whiteman and his band from New York and Al Jolson from New Orleans.

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**LEGAL ADVERTISEMENTS**

**NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE UNDER FORECLOSURE DECREE**

In the District Court, County of Eddy, State of New Mexico

JOHN T. McCLURE, Plaintiff,  
Vs.  
J. H. ESTES, DEEDY ESTES, HIS WIFE, O. G. BROWN AND MRS. O. G. BROWN, HIS WIFE, and BEN ESTES, Defendants.  
No. 4443.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** That, by virtue of the final decree of foreclosure and sale entered by the District Court of Eddy County, New Mexico on the 6th day of September, 1927 in the case of John T. McClure, Plaintiff vs. J. H. Estes, Deedy Estes, his wife, O. G. Brown and Mrs. O. G. Brown, his wife and Ben Estes, Defendants, No. 4443 on the Civil Docket of said Court, the undersigned will offer for sale and sell to the highest bidder for cash at 10 o'clock A. M. on the 5th day of January, 1928, at the front door of the Post Office at Artesia, New Mexico, the following described property situate, lying and being in Eddy County, New Mexico, to-wit:

NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ; SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. 18; W $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ ; SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ ; NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. 17, Twp. 18 S., Rge. 26 E., N. M. P. M.  
**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN**, that the amounts awarded by the court in said decree and to be realized by said sale, are as follows:  
Principal debt with interest to date of sale.....\$5,896.87  
Attorneys fees.....550.00  
Accrued Court Costs.....10.40  
Publication of Notice of Suit 16.33  
Special Master's fee.....25.00

Total.....\$6,498.00  
together with all costs of sale. The terms of said sale are that the purchaser must pay cash at the time the property is struck off to him.  
M. W. EVANS,  
51-4t Special Master.

**NOTICE**

State Engineer's Office, Santa Fe, N. M., Nov. 1, 1927. Number of Application 1073.

Notice is hereby given that on the 31st day of October, 1927, F. A. Manda of Artesia, County of Eddy, State of New Mexico, made application to the State Engineer of New Mexico for a permit to change the place of use of the public waters of the State of New Mexico.

Such change of place of use is to be made under permit No. 1073 to appropriate the waters of Cottonwood Creek, and such water is to be changed from:

127.6 NW $\frac{1}{4}$  sec. 26; 108.4 SE $\frac{1}{4}$  sec. 22; 63.7 NE $\frac{1}{4}$  sec. 22; 160 SE $\frac{1}{4}$  sec. 15; 54 SW $\frac{1}{4}$  sec. 15; 160 NW $\frac{1}{4}$  sec. 10; 34 SE $\frac{1}{4}$  sec. 9; 83.3 NE $\frac{1}{4}$  sec. 9; 13 Lot 16, sec. 4; 7.6 NE $\frac{1}{4}$  sec. 27, all in Twp. 16S., Rge. 26 E., to,

10 A., lot 12; 7.5 A., lot 13; 12.5 A., lot 14; 7 A., lot 13; 22 A., lot 14; 10 A., lot 16; 5 A., NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ; 10 A., SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ; all in sec. 4, 15 A., NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , sec. 9; 20 A., NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$  sec. 4; 30 A., NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$  sec. 4; 14 A., NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$  sec. 3; 15 A., NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$  sec. 9; 33.6 A., SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$  sec. 3; 80 A., E $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$  sec. 22; 160 A., NW $\frac{1}{4}$  sec. 23; 150 A., SW $\frac{1}{4}$  sec. 23; 40 A., SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$  sec. 36; 80 A., W $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$  sec. 36; 80 A., E $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$  sec. 36; 40 A., E $\frac{1}{2}$ W $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$  sec. 36; 30 A., NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$  sec. 36.

Any person, firm, association or corporation desiring that the granting of the above application would be truly detrimental to their rights in the water of said stream system shall file a complete statement of their objections substantiated by affidavits with the State Engineer and serve a copy on applicant on or before the 10th day of January, 1928, the date set for the Engineer to take this application up for final consideration unless protested. In case of protested applications all parties will be given a reasonable length of time in which to submit their evidence in detail or arrange a date convenient for hearing or appoint a referee satisfactory to all to take testimony. Appearance is not necessary unless advised officially by letter from the State Engineer.

HERBERT W. YOE, State Engineer.  
51-4t

**NOTICE**

State Engineer's Office, Santa Fe, N. M., December 6, 1927.

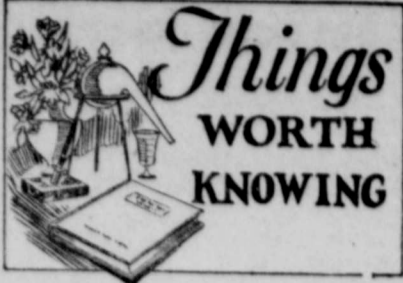
Number of Application RA992.  
Notice is hereby given that on the 6th day of December in the State of New Mexico Jean H. Everest, of Oklahoma City, County of Oklahoma, State of Oklahoma, made formal application to the State Engineer of New Mexico for a permit to drill an Artesian well and appropriate the underground waters of the State of New Mexico.

Such Artesian well is to be drilled somewhere on W $\frac{1}{2}$  SE $\frac{1}{4}$  or SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 14, Township 18, Range 26 in the County of Eddy, State of New Mexico.

The size of casing is to be 10 inch and the name of the driller of said well is not yet selected. The water from said well is intended to be used for irrigation purposes and the following described tract of land comprising 100 acres is to be irrigated thereby:

Part of W $\frac{1}{2}$  SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 14 SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 14 and E $\frac{1}{2}$  of SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 15, all in Township 18, Range 26, Eddy County, New Mexico. I own the 320 acres last above described. I already have two small artesian wells and need additional water, and will use entire flow of new well to irrigate parts of this half section.

Any person, firm, association or



Have you ever heard of Essence of Pearl? No, it's not an exotic French perfume; it's just what the name implies—the actual essence of pearls! One of nature's masterpieces is the shimmering, opalescent lining of the shells of certain fish, known as mother of pearl. A fish sliding silkily through the water of an illuminated aquarium shows the same iridescent beauty in its under scales.

Modern scientists have been busy investigating the process by which Mother Nature produces this softly lustrous effect and they have found a way to reproduce mother of pearl so accurately that one can scarcely distinguish the reproduction from the original.

Essence of pearl comes from the silvery scales of thousands and thousands of little fish. Selected scales are mixed with a solution of water and certain chemicals, the action of which serves to extract the silvery lustrous particles from the scale itself. This mixture results in the glistening, paste-like substance that is the true essence of pearl.

When this substance is mixed with pyroxylin plastic and cut into sheets, Madame Nature wouldn't know the synthetic article from her own handiwork. The pearl sheeting is often composited on amber pyralin for the manufacture of beautiful two-toned toilet articles to adorn the boudoir of a dainty miss.

Artificial mother of pearl effects can be obtained from other materials, such as bronze powders, but the best result is in no way so accurate a reproduction of the original. Only by the use of Nature's own magic ingredient, essence of pearl, could the lustrous rainbows of the sea be duplicated, first in the scientific laboratory and later in mammoth factories.

Professor: "Your pneumatic contrivance has ceased to function."  
Motorist: "Er—what?"  
Professor: "I say, your tubular air container has lost its rotundity."  
Motorist: "I don't quite—"  
Professor: "The cylindrical apparatus which supports your vehicle is no longer inflated."  
Motorist: "But—"  
Professor: "The elastic fabric surrounding the circular frame whose successive revolutions bear you onward in space has not retained its pristine roundness."  
Small boy: "Hey, mister, you got a flat tire!"

Jones: "Why have you that courtesy sign on the rear of your auto?"  
Green: "So people can see it when I cut past them."

corporation, deeming that the granting of the above application would be truly detrimental to their rights in the Artesian Area shall file a complete statement of their objections substantiated by affidavits with the State Engineer, and serve a copy on applicant on or before the 6th day of February, 1928, the date set for the Engineer to take this application up for final consideration unless protested. In case of protested application, all parties will be given reasonable length of time in which to submit their evidence in detail or arrange a date convenient for a hearing or appoint a referee satisfactory to all to take testimony. Appearance is not necessary unless advised officially by letter from the State Engineer.  
HERBERT W. YOE, State Engineer.  
52-2t

**NOTICE FOR REPUBLICATION**  
027659  
MFN

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Las Cruces, N. M., Dec. 14, 1927.

**NOTICE** is hereby given that Charles S. Shorey, of Artesia, N. M., who, on July 17, 1922, made Hd. Orig. containing 320 acres, No. 027659, for NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , W $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , Section 15, 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 Register, U. S. Land Office, at Las Cruces, N. M., on the 30th day of January, 1928.

Claimant names as witnesses:  
Thomas J. Terry  
Lee R. Buck,  
John J. Buel,  
Frank M. Robinson, all of Artesia, N. M.  
V. B. MAY, Register.  
52-5t

I have recently opened a carpenters  
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**T. W. WHITTED**



School for six-year-olds, and older, is filled with thrills, and emotions: To own real books out of which one learns things, to have a big pad of white paper with fine blue lines, to possess a gay assortment of bright pencils with stripings of gold and black, gives the child a delightful sense of dignity and responsibility.

Of all fascinating luxuries, calculated to speed a tiny lady or gentleman towards the ultimate possession of a "Phi Bete" key, nothing excels an elaborate pencil box. A neat green case containing three trays of accoutrements for literary and artistic expression is like diamonds from Cartier. The top one, of course, displays pencils of every color, a pen holder, a box of pen points, an eraser, and a pencil sharpener. The second tray is replenished with an assortment of pencil crayons, while the bottom tray, most alluring of all, contains a complete set of water colors.

A bright red lizard grain fabricoid school bag makes any jaunty little lady the envy of her class; or, a diminutive reproduction of mother's leather hat bag is more conservative and is considered very smart by the youngest set.

Every type of purse is available to our budding youths, from the leather vanity box, down to cunning little bunny portemonnaies with long rabbit ears and a coy corner of a red silk hanky peeping out from within.

There is a grown-up air about leather and leather substitute that delights the childish craving for importance. If the youngster has dolls and fire engines and toys galore, donate another pencil box or pocket book. Quantity along those lines can never exceed bounds of childish desire.

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52-2t-3t



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**BRIEFS ARE FILED IN THE PECOS VALLEY COAL RATE CASE THURS.**

SANTA FE—Briefs were filed Thursday by the Santa Fe and Southern Pacific railroads with the state corporation commission in the Pecos Valley coal rate case. Coal rates from New Mexico mines to points in central and southeastern New Mexico were claimed exorbitant by dealers and reductions asked. The commission will issue ruling within a few days, it was said.

Briefs were filed with the district court at Hillsboro by attorneys for William Roche, who seeks permission to divert water from the Rio Grande for irrigation of 6,200 acres of land in the Palomas Valley, the state engineering department was advised. The judge has the case, which is opposed by other water users on the Rio Grande in New Mexico and West Texas, under advisement.

The locomotive builders are all wrong. The up-to-date locomotive needs an auto shortstop instead of a cowcatcher.—Tucumcari American.

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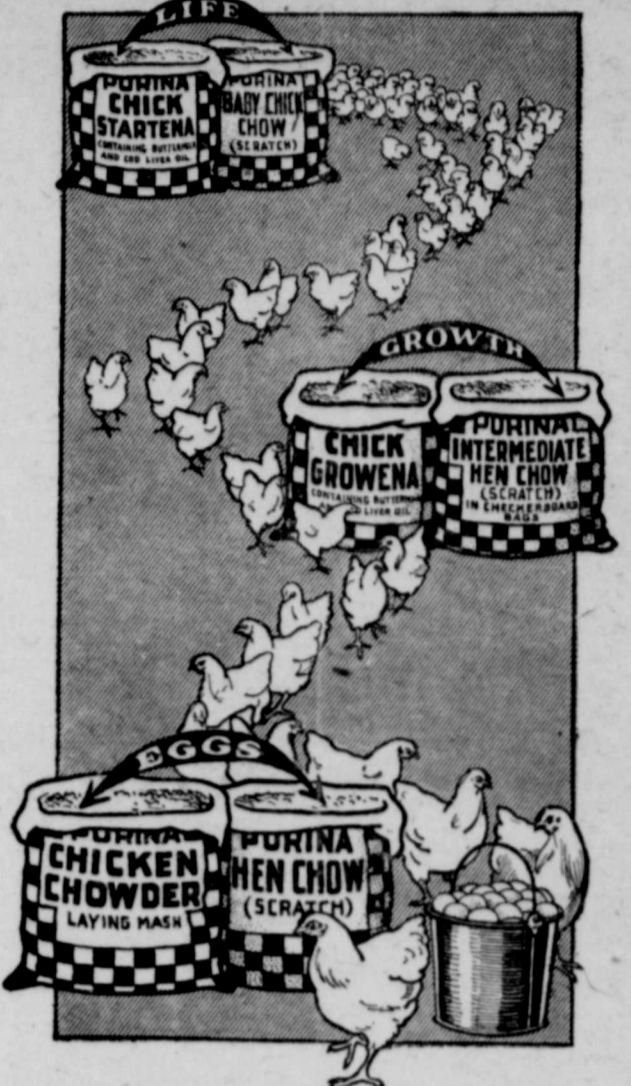


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9:45 a. m., Sabbath school with Missionary program.

11:00 a. m., morning worship Christmas anthem: "And the Angels Said Unto Them" (T. D. Williams) Sermon Subject: "God's Christmas Gift."

6:15 p. m., Christian Endeavor.  
7:00 p. m. Popular Peoples' Service. Anthem by junior choir. Orchestra will render "Chimes at Christmas." Pastor's sermon will be based on Henry Van Dyke's famous Christmas story "The Mansion." A bright, brief, brotherly Christmas night service.

Two Christmas Thought from the poets  
"In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea,  
With a glory in His bosom that transfigures you and me."

"Though Christ a thousand times, In Bethlehem be born,  
If He's not born in thee, thy soul is all forlorn."

**ST PAUL'S MISSION**  
Episcopal  
Rev. Geo. W. Palmer, Rector

Holy Eucharist and sermon at eleven a. m.

Voluntary—Adoration, Gaul.  
Hymn—Adeste Fideles  
Kyrie eleison  
Hymn—Hark the Herald Angels Sing.

Sermon  
Duet—Angels of Light—Coombs  
Mrs. Mark Corbin, Mr. Earl Bigler  
Offertory Anthem—Te Duem, Dudley Buck.  
Agnes die  
Communion Hymn—And Now, O Father Mindful of the Love.  
Sevenfold Amen.

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9:45 a. m., Sunday school.  
Preaching services morning and evening. Rev. E. W. Kiemel will deliver the Christmas sermon Sunday morning, and the pastor will preach in the evening.

6:30 p. m., children's service.  
7:00 p. m., young people's society.  
Prayer meeting Thursday evening at the church.

On Friday evening December 23rd, a Christmas program will be given by the Sunday school. Christmas tree with treats.

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**THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**

We anticipate with much pleasure the coming of Christmas. Of all days of the year this seems to be the happiest. The Christmas tree, the treat, the coming of Santa Claus, the exchange of presents, all cheer and gladden our hearts. It is our purpose to have a Christmas service, with Christmas message at the eleven o'clock hour. We want this to be a real Christmas service with the real Christmas spirit and one that will make us feel glad that we were in the house of God on Christmas day. At the evening hour we will have a Christmas program in the interest of our Sunday school. All members of the Sunday school and all prospective members of the Sunday school are expected to be present. The program will consist of addresses, readings and music. A treat will be provided for the Sunday school. We hope to have every member of the Sunday school present Sunday morning. We extend to you a hearty invitation to come to these services.

R. PETERSON,  
Pastor.

**ARTESIA METHODIST CHURCH**  
Mims J. Jackson, Pastor.

We make our Christmas happy by our gifts. Members are requested not to forget to bring their supernuminate envelopes to the 11 o'clock service. The subject at that hour will be "The gift of the Wise Men."

The Christmas tree exercises for the young people will take place Friday evening at 7 o'clock.

On Christmas evening at 7 o'clock the following special program will be rendered.

Invocation  
"All Hail the Power"—Congregation.

Scripture reading  
"Sing, O Heavens"—Chorus  
Solo—Mrs. Martin Yates  
A Story by Van Dyke—Rev. Jackson.

Violin Solo—Mr. Gittinger  
Pantomime—"Silent Night"  
"Oh Little Town of Bethlehem"—Congregation.

"Joy to the World"—Chorus  
Benediction

**CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Corner 7th and Grand Ave.

Bible school, 10:00 a. m.  
Scripture lesson and communion, 11:00 a. m.

Young people's meeting, 6 p. m.  
There will be a joint young people's meeting at the church of Christ in Artesia, Wednesday evening, December 28th. Carlsbad, Hope and Dexter's young people will meet with us here in a joint program. The program will consist of talks on different Bible characters, also good congregational singing.

**LAKE ARTHUR ITEMS**  
(Mrs. Ned Hedges, Reporter)

Redmon Pate is visiting in El Paso this week.

Bob Johnson has been sick with the flu several days.

A. V. Flowers returned from Abilene, Texas, Saturday.

Ben Frazier has moved to the farm lately vacated by the Whinneries.

Ned Hedges and Lee Shinneman returned from Duncan, Arizona, Tuesday.

Miss Ocie Marie Spence left Tuesday for Clifton, Arizona for an indefinite visit with her aunt, Mrs. Cleve Miller.

The Masons will hold their regular installation services on the night of Dec. 27th. Masons and their families invited.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Sims left for Danville, Illinois, Tuesday to visit Mrs. Sim's parents until after the holidays, then Mr. Sims will come home but Mrs. Sims will go to Arkansas to visit a sister.

The double header basketball game with Artesia Friday night was victory for L. A. Girls score 35 to 4, boys 27 to 15. The practice game with Artesia town team Tuesday was an easy won victory for Lake Arthur.

Bill Urton drove from Safford, Arizona, arriving Monday with his wife and children. Mrs. Urton will visit until after the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Reeves, but Mr. Urton started back Tuesday.

The community Christmas tree will be in the school auditorium Friday night. The tree will be beautifully decorated. An excellent program will be rendered, presents distributed and Santa will be there with treats for all.

Last Saturday evening the Sims home was the scene of much merry making, a large crowd of invited guests spent the evening with games and dancing. This is the last party of the year at the Sims home as they are leaving Tuesday for eastern points.

Quite a delegation of Lake Arthur young people, who are attending higher institutions of learning, are at home for the holidays. They are Baker and Jewel Flowers, Sam Bradley, Zee Pate and Hubert Harbor from the A. and M. College, French Pate from Silver City and William Hamilton from Arizona State University.

The P. T. A. meeting Wednesday night was a huge success, a large crowd was present and every one seemed to enjoy himself. At the close of the business meeting an excellent program was rendered by Miss Carpenter's room. At the close of the program games were indulged in by old and young. Mrs. John Haven and Mrs. Luke Alexander were the committee on refreshments and the cats served were pie and coffee. The pies were donated by the patrons.

Those attending the Christmas orchestra program in Artesia Sunday, report a most enjoyable affair. Besides Miss Carpenter's chorus of L. A. school children and the members of Harp's orchestra, those going

duets and quartets, and followed by a round table talk on the Bible. Brother J. Emmett Wainwright will have charge of the meeting. A good time and helpful instruction on the Bible will be given. Everybody is welcome to this meeting. Come and be with us. A hearty welcome is extended to all.

**FARM CROPS INCREASE**  
**\$635,146,000 TOTAL**  
**VALUE OVER LAST YR.**

WASHINGTON.—An increase of \$635,146,000 in the total value of this year's important farm crops as compared with the same crops last year was announced Tuesday by the department of agriculture in its revised estimates of production, acreage and value of this year's crops. Calculations for about fifty crops showed a total value of \$8,428,626,000 for this year, as compared with last year's harvests, which were valued at \$7,793,480,000.

The cotton crop, while smaller than the record crop of last year, was estimated at December 1 farm prices as worth \$350,714,000 more than the 1926 crop. Corn, production of which was slightly larger than last year, was valued at \$285,268,000 more than last year; barley at \$73,890,000 more, and oats at \$40,694,000 more.

The value of the wheat crop showed a decline as compared with last year of \$21,000,000 but the largest decrease was in the value of the potato crop which declined \$113,147,000 the crop being almost 50,000,000 bushels larger than a year ago. Hay, apples, peaches and some other crops showed decreases.

The area planted to the important crops this year was placed at 355,826,645 acres, an increase of 160,420 acres over last year. Revised estimates of the yields of all crops combined show the acre-yields this year to have been 2.5 per cent above the average of the last ten years but 2.1 per cent below last year.

**WAIVES PRELIMINARY**

Ed McMillan, alias Ed Taylor, negro, who was arrested several days ago on a charge of stealing a revolver from the Roberts-Dearborne Hardware store, has waived preliminary and will enter a plea of guilty when the district judge makes his next visit here. He has been in jail here before on robbery charges, but sufficient evidence was not obtained and he was released.—Current-Ar-gus.

Full line of holiday goods at the Smokehouse. 52-2t-21

Calling cards, 100 for \$1.75, paneled stock.—The Advocate.

from here with their families were Doc Bradley, Tom Derrick, Dick Spence, E. C. Latta, W. W. Walden, W. Hamilton, E. C. Jackson, Mrs. Anderson and Frank Frazier. There may have been many others, whose names we didn't learn.

**Mr. Maneul Cracion**

student of Cincinnati Conservatory for three years on the violin and former member of the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra will open a studio in Artesia January 1st. For further information see

**Mrs. B. A. Bishop**  
Artesia, N. M.

## Special Christmas Dinner

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Cream of Turkey Soup

Choice of

Roast Young Turkey, Cranberry Sauce  
Half Spring Chicken unjointed, Country Style

Snow Flake Potatoes

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CAST

Sir Hector Fish, who impersonates the mummy... Edward Shockley  
Francis Briscoe, who impersonates Hector... Lawrence Bewley  
William Laidlaw, Agatha's nephew... Wilmer Ragsdale  
James Slammon, Racker... Harry Jernigan  
Perkins, the Sheriff... Dee House  
Anna Hampton, a western girl... Lulu Wilson  
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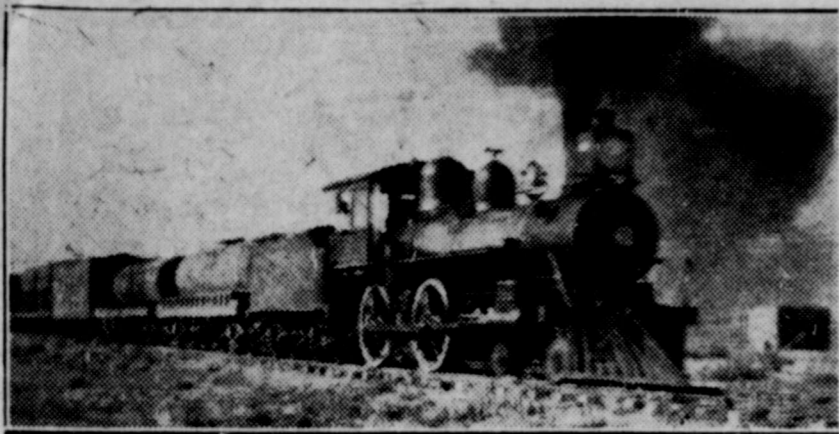
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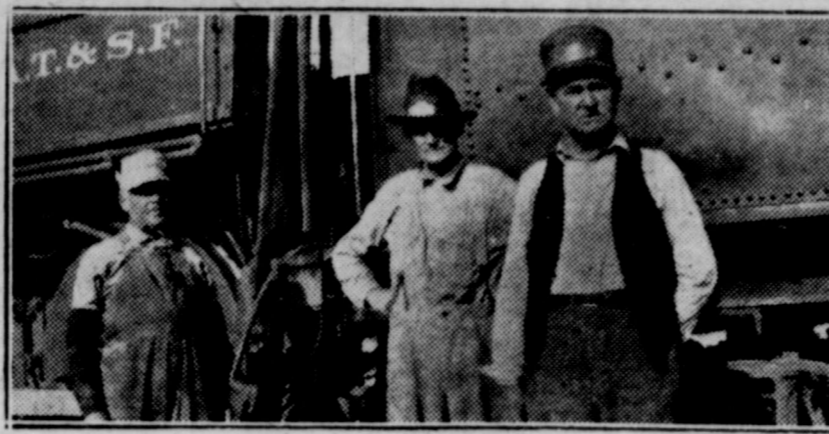
# Pioneers of the Pecos Division



Old No. 1, first engine on the Pecos division, in all the dignity of its pioneer mission of whisking passengers over the division at the terrific speed of 20 miles per hour. A slightly modernized counterpart of this engine is still in service between Carlsbad and Pecos.

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This historical train has the exclusive use of the rails on the lower end of the Pecos Division, running six days each week from Carlsbad, New Mexico to Pecos, Texas, a distance of about ninety miles. Leaving Carlsbad at seven thirty it



From left to right: V. O. McCollum, veteran engineer of Old No. 1, who pulled the first train into the Pecos Valley some 33 years ago. Next to him is Jess Wheeler, and on the right W. G. Gossett, pioneer conductor who has been in service since 1896.

U. S. mails, handles your trunks, which proclaimed the coming of the first train into the Pecos Valley.

The stops made at each town on the route range in time limit from five minutes to one hour, depending upon the daily delivery of merchandise which is unloaded for the merchants. Perhaps one village will receive only a few cases of assorted groceries while the next will take the greater part of a car-load. The traveler may stroll in the vicinity of the depot or amuse himself assisting in the general supervision which the towns people assume in the loading and unloading process. When it is apparent that the stop will occupy some time, traveling salesmen take advantage of the opportunity and call upon their local trade.

V. O. McCollum, its engineer, well known all over the division, dates his seniority with the system from 1894. He was a member of the train crew that brought the first train into the Pecos Valley and old timers recall the great celebration,

## FORMER TEXAS UNIV. CO-ED IS FOUND GUILTY OF BANK ROBBERY

LA GRANGE, Tex.—Mrs. Rebecca Bradley Rogers, young former University of Texas student, was found guilty by a jury in district court here Saturday of the daylight robbery of the Farmer's National Bank of Buda, Texas, in which \$1,000 was secured a year ago. Her punishment was assessed at fourteen years imprisonment in the state penitentiary.

A woman writer says there's not much hope for a woman who would rather tie a ribbon on a poodle dog than tickle a baby under the chin.

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# LOCALS

Miss Edene Ferrell was a Carlsbad for Saturday.

L. P. Evans is able to be again after a siege of gripe.

Mrs. A. L. Allinger and Miss Leona Allinger motored to Roswell Saturday.

Will Kissinger and W. E. Ragsdale came home Saturday from Pyote, Texas.

John Clarke will be home today from Santa Fe, where he is a student at St. Michael's school.

Mr. and Mrs. Ossie Coalson were up from Carlsbad last Wednesday evening visiting Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Clark.

Mrs. Joe Jesse was taken last week to Carlsbad where she will take hospital treatment for some time.

Miss Florence Conner, who is attending Fleming's Business College at Clovis, is at home for the vacation.

The Sellery has been transferred by his company to Los Angeles and will leave with his family shortly after Christmas for the coast.

Miss Lois Gable and Miss Lenora Gable, who are students at the State University of Technology at Lubbock, are at home for the vacation.

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be assessed Cisco arrived recently filed propogate, Oklahoma to join Mrs. James and Mrs. James moved here a short time and Mrs. Cisco are the Mrs. F. R. Ham d. of

Dr. Clarke made a trip to Amarillo, Texas the first of the week.

F. E. Fite and W. P. Riley were business visitors from Hope Monday.

The Donnelly family will spend Christmas with relatives at Ft. Worth, Texas.

Albert Richards and Gail Hamilton made a business trip to El Paso over the week-end.

Miss Ruth Russell came in from Albuquerque Sunday night to spend the holidays with home folks.

J. A. Clayton came home Sunday from Blackwell, Oklahoma, where he has been employed the past few months.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Finley and family will leave tomorrow for Fort Worth to spend the holidays with relatives.

Mrs. Aubrey Watson and baby daughter, Shirley, returned Saturday to their home at Portales, after a visit with the relatives.

The Hewig and Stuart Townsite Co., of Jal, is southeastern New Mexico's newest townsite company to organize and incorporate.

Miss Edna Page will be home Saturday from her school at El Paso Gap for the holidays.

Mrs. E. E. Calloway was here from Roswell Friday visiting her sister, Mrs. U. M. McCaw, and family.

Miss Frances Dewell will be joined here Saturday by her sister Miss Mary Dewell, who has been looking after business at the Dewell store in Carlsbad, and both young ladies will go to Roswell to spend Christmas at home. Their father, D. T. Dewell, is also expected to be at home from Texas for the holidays.



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# To Our Friends and Customers

We extend the season's greetings and, also, thank you for the business you have turned our way in the past.

May this Christmas time hold for you and for yours, a full measure of good cheer and happiness and the New Year be full of peace, prosperity and plenty.

## "Our Store"

### OIL STORY

(Continued from first page)

hole is cleaned and the weather permits.

After encountering what appeared to be a bad fishing job at 3965 feet in the Beardsley No. 2 of the Maljamar Oil and Gas Corp., sec. 15-17-32, Lea county, drillers succeeded in clearing the hole last night. Drilling is underway this morning, but the depth is not known.

### BASKETBALL TEAM DEFEATED

(Continued from first page)

Middleton ..... L. Derrick  
Center  
Jernigan ..... Williams  
Guard  
Williams ..... M. Derrick  
Guard

### Score:

Artesia, 15; Lake Arthur 27.  
Individual scores: Artesia, Middleton 11; Jernigan 2; Williams 2. Lake Arthur: J. Derrick 16; H. Beasley 4; L. Derrick 7.

### SENATOR JONES HELD MANY OFFICES

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ling K. Lane, then secretary of the interior, as first assistant secretary of the interior, holding that position until 1916 when he again ran for the United States senate, this time successfully, receiving more than 3,000 majority over his republican opponent, Frank Hubbell of Albuquerque. He was reelected in 1922 by an overwhelming majority over Hon. Stephen B. Davis, republican.

The late senator was a member of the Chevy Chase and Cosmos Clubs, and was a thirty second degree Mason.

### TRAINING SCHOOL

(Continued from first page)

ed requisite to class membership. The first session will be held on Thursday night, January 4th, at 7:00 p. m. at the Christian church. At that time the class will determine when and where to meet. Workers from other churches are cordially invited.

The course starts with the New Testament church. Its aim is to enable the student to teach in a Sunday school class any particular lesson from the New Testament on the larger background of the whole New Testament. A further aim is to enable teachers and officers to utilize the best teaching methods now available, including departmental specialization.

Mr. and Mrs. Pearce have enjoyed the confidence of pastors of other churches in many community classes, and always the results have been most happy.

A similar course is being started in Carlsbad. The Ministerial Association in that city is behind the movement. The only expense is for text books and note-books. It is hoped that the first session will find many people present to judge for themselves as to whether they desire to enroll or not.

Miss Katherine Anderson, of Abilene, Texas, accompanied Miss Glenn Polk home for a short Christmas visit.

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## Holiday DANCES

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## INSIDE INFORMATION

Start the new year armed with a well-planned budget which has been drawn up to include all the necessities and some of the desirable purchases your family hopes to make within the expected income of 1928. Food, housing, clothing, and running expenses will be among the essentials. Personal expenses for each member of the family must be allowed, and fixed expenses such as insurance premiums or taxes must be met. More or less problematical is the question of new furnishings or equipment, or the amount that must go to doctors and dentists and consequently the amount that can be saved. A good budget is one that takes all these points into consideration and keeps the definitely known expenses well within the anticipated income, leaving a fair-sized margin for the uncertain items and for emergencies. After making the budget on a yearly basis, it is helpful to plan for each month separately and in advance, so that as expenditures are made they can be compared with the original estimate in each category. Sometimes it becomes evident that a larger allotment must be made in one field, or that less would do in another, and corresponding changes can be made in the yearly monthly plans.

### FURTHER PLANS MADE REGARDING NEW RAILROAD

The following press report sent out under a Snyder Texas date line may be of interest to our readers: SNYDER, Texas.—The Artesia Roswell and Snyder railroad is West Texas' newest contribution to the onward march of that part of the state.

With a meeting consummated today between Captain Ed Kennedy of Houston, and the Scurry county chamber of commerce, guarantee that the charter will be received at an early date is assured.

Twenty-five miles of the road are already graded and providing an air line route from Snyder through Gail, O'Donnell, Brownfield and thence to Roswell, N. M. Contract has already been let for the construction of fifty miles of the road at an early date.

At a meeting held at Gail, county seat of Borden county, last night right of way was fastened through that county to the Scurry county line. With the Snyder meeting today, the local chamber of commerce guaranteed the right of way from Snyder through Scurry county with the further understanding that Snyder would be one of the terminals of the route, together with rail shops being located at this point. The organization also made valuable concessions of cash and subsidies.

The Snyder committee included Messrs. O. P. Thrane, Robert H. Curmette, Ernest Taylor, bankers. The business men were represented by Joe T. Stinson, Hugh Boren, N. M. Harpole, A. A. Bullock, H. J. Brice, Allen Warren, H. G. Towle, E. J. Anderson and George F. Smith.

### LEASES CALUMET RANCH

Louie Heick has taken a three-year lease on the Calumet ranch, across the Pecos east of Dexter, and will take charge about January 1. The place consists of 320 acres of irrigated land, artesian wells being the source of water supply. About 200 acres of land is in alfalfa.

Mr. Heick knows the trick of farming in the Pecos Valley. In fact, a good farmer was spoiled when he left the country and moved to town, but he still knows how it is done; and unless grasshoppers, locusts, or some other plague descends upon Calumet ranch, Louie can move to town three years from now and live in real style.

Mrs. Heick and the children will not move to the ranch until the close of school.—Hagerman Messenger.

Wedding Invitations and Announcements, engraved or printed—The Advocate.

Calling cards, 100 for \$1.75, padded stock.—The Advocate.

## U. S. GINNINGS TOTAL 12,071,799 BALS SAYS CENSUS REPORT TUES.

WASHINGTON.—Cotton of this year's crop ginned prior to December 13, the census bureau announced Tuesday, totaled 12,071,799 running bales, including 487,401 round bales, counted as half bales, and excluding linters.

Ginnings compare with 15,540,804 bales, including 555,655 round bales, ginned to December 13 last year and 14,831,846 bales, including 303,616 round bales, in 1925.

The year's cotton crop has been estimated by the department of agriculture at 12,789,000 bales of 500 pounds gross weight. Last year's crop, was indicated by the final ginning report was 17,977,000 equivalent 500 pound bales and the 1925 crop was 11,103,679 bales. To December 13 last year, 86.4 per cent of the crop had been ginned and in 1925 ginnings to that date was 92.0 per cent of the crop.

The ginnings by states, in running bales, to December 13 this year were: Alabama, 1,163,272; Arizona, 67,262; Arkansas, 890,063; California, 68,085; Florida, 17,174; Georgia, 1,095,279; Louisiana, 534,915; Mississippi, 1,311,986; Missouri, 85,716; New Mexico, 60,286; North Carolina, 824,448; Oklahoma, 913,496; South Carolina, 717,992; Tennessee, 318,984; Texas, 3,972,584; Virginia, 26,548; all other states, 4,609.

The next ginning report will be issued January 23, and the final report on March 20.

### FIRE DESTROYS BUILDING AT CARLSBAD TUESDAY

The Leck building at Carlsbad was destroyed by fire Tuesday morning at an early hour, according to the Current-Argus of Tuesday. The Leck building was the only remaining frame structure on the block. The origin of the fire is undetermined. The loss was partly covered by insurance.

### THE WITTY MARINES

The Captain was inspecting rifles at troop the other day. He took Lewis's rifle which was covered with dust.

"Look here, Lewis," he says sternly. "I can write my name in the dust on your rifle."  
"Yes, Sir," said Lewis. "There's nothin' like havin' a good education, is there Sir?"  
—The Leatherneck.

### TURKEYS STOLEN AT ROSWELL

The Roswell Record reports that more than 100 turkeys have recently been stolen around Roswell. Several youthful offenders have been brought before Judge Granville Richardson, who promises severe penalties for offenses of this nature in the future, unless the depredations are stopped.

### COL. CUTTING MAY RECEIVE APPOINTMENT OF SENATORSHIP

Col. Bronson Cutting of Santa Fe, wealthy publisher of the Santa Fe New Mexican may be appointed to the position of U. S. Senator by Governor Dillon to succeed the late Senator A. A. Jones, according to political gossip issued from Santa Fe yesterday. Hugh H. Williams is also a prospective appointee, it is said.

### FIRE AT ARTESIA DAIRY

The fire department was called at 9:30 this morning to extinguish a fire in the milk house of the Artesia Dairy. Both the building and contents were damaged, but the estimate of the loss was not available. The origin of the fire was not learned.

### RESCUE WORK DOESN'T ALWAYS PAY

M. Stevenson, constable, is convinced that it does not always pay to be too sympathetic and helpful, as some folks do not appreciate one's acts of kindness. Sunday while trying to rescue two inmates of the city jail, who had set a bed afire and were threatened with suffocation, Mr. Stevenson received a severe blow behind the ear that almost put him out of commission. Next time he says that he will be just a bit slow on giving aid, where it is not appreciated.

### AN OVERSIGHT

The splendid article under the caption "Pioneers of the Pecos Division," found in this issue of the Advocate should have been credited to the Clovis Journal of Clovis, as both the cut and the article was printed through the courtesy of the Journal. The matter of giving the article and cuts proper credit was an oversight.

Ben Pior returned last Friday from Temple, Texas, and reports that his brother, C. C. Pior, is improving. The latest letter from Mrs. C. C. Pior states that the hospital authorities hope that the removal of the tonsils and teeth will make further operation unnecessary, but nothing definite can be promised until the result of these minor operations are known.

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## COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA RENDERS A CHRISTMAS PROGRAM SUNDAY P. M.

The Christmas program rendered by the community orchestra under the direction of Prof. E. L. Harp of Roswell Sunday afternoon was a rare treat to music lovers of the Artesia community and was praised as the outstanding musical event of the year. The program was given in the auditorium of the new central school building and was greeted by a full house. Eighty members of the Pecos Valley community orchestra participated in the afternoon's entertainment in addition to several contributions made by local talent.

The program, in charge of Rev. R. Peterson, was varied and interesting. Rev. J. P. Sinclair, pastor of the Presbyterian church, made a brief address commending the work of the community orchestra and the work of Prof. Harp. Rev. Sinclair stated that the influence of an organization of this kind on the young people of the community was of a high type and that it would have far reaching effect on the young men and women.

Prof. J. W. Ware, of Artesia led the community singing. The outstanding orchestra number of the program was "Christmas Echoes" by E. Brooks, a descriptive fantasia with twelve movements. Miss Elizabeth Hogue, supervisor of music in the Artesia public schools, gave a very enjoyable vocal solo, entitled "It Was For Me." A violin solo by Manual Oracion of Roswell was highly appreciated by the audience and proved so popular that Mr. Oracion was given three encores.

A free will offering amounting to approximately \$37.00 was taken at the conclusion of the program. The funds thus secured will be applied on the expenses of the entertainment.

Prof. Harp announced that the next public concert of the Pecos Valley orchestra will be given here during National Music Week sometime in May. Artesia was selected for the next program because of its central location, being practically in the center of the valley.

### NOTICE TO POST OFFICE PATRONS

Christmas falling on Sunday this year makes Monday, the 26th a legal holiday. However, the mails will be worked and windows will be open on Monday from 10 a. m. to 12 a. m. The rural patrons will be served on Monday this year.

Wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and a happy, prosperous New Year.

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### PECOS CO. HOSPITAL BONDS LOSE

Bonds for a proposed county hospital were rejected Saturday by a majority of 54 votes, with the other boxes outside of Pecos turning in an almost unanimous opposition to overcome the local lead.

Over 200 votes were cast, which was considered a fair turnout in view that only 300 people paid their poll tax in the county this year. Practically everyone voted who had the privilege, making the issue more or less convincing in its result.

Contrary to the belief of many before the election, the bonds were accepted by a substantial majority in Pecos, but 78 votes were made to reject them, with over 100 for—Pecos Enterprise.

### ILLUMINATED CHRISTMAS TREE

The only privately owned illuminated Christmas tree to be erected in Artesia so far as we know stands in the front yard of Judge and Mrs. S. E. Ferree. This tree is a very pretty sight at night and is worth driving by to see.

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## To The Christmas Shopper:

No doubt this holiday will be a repetition of the past years—you will intend to find what you want for every member of the family and friends at The Palace Drug Store. We made a special effort not to have you disappointed in the least after you have given us the pleasure of paying our store a visit—as in the past—we have the largest assortment of gifts shown by any store in Artesia. Gifts that the donor will be glad to present as well as the receiver glad to receive.

A visit to our store, whether you buy or not, will be more than appreciated by the management as well as every member of the sales force.

Come in, look around, feel at home, don't feel obligated to buy!

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