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Yard-Garden Contest Will Offer \$200.00 Total Prize

Christmas Wishes to All



Ask Death For Orders

Committee to Award First and Second Prizes Twenty-two Evenings The Registration July 15th.

The Yard and Garden Contest is being held at the home of Mrs. J. H. ... The contest is open to all residents of Artesia and the surrounding area. Prizes will be awarded for the best display in each class. The registration for the contest is now open and will close on July 15th.

SECOND STROKE OF APPOPLEXY SATURDAY FATAL TO D. E. HEDGPETH

D. E. Hedgpeth, age 77, a farmer living southeast of Artesia, suffered a fatal stroke of apoplexy, Saturday, death followed almost instantly. Mr. Hedgpeth has been in ill health for about two years as a result of a previous stroke of apoplexy, which impaired his physical condition. While his death was a shock to relatives and friends, it was not unexpected. Mr. Hedgpeth had been a resident of the community for eight or ten years and was well known here.

ROSWELL CHIEF OF POLICE IS FREED

T. U. Alford, Roswell chief of police, indicted at his own request for the killing of George T. McClure Jr., by the Chaves county grand jury, was this morning freed by the grand jury.

DEER YEAR OF

The following deer were killed in the Pecos valley during the year 1928: ... The total number of deer killed was 9,771.

PROJECT GINNINGS 9,771 BALES

The total ginnings of the seven plants under the Carlsbad project is given as 9,771 bales, according to a report in the Carlsbad Current-Argus.

PAMPA TEX. CAPITALIST MAY FINANCE MODERN \$150,000 HOTEL HERE

Charles H. Sharp spends a few days here looking over the situation—asks \$30,000 bonus from local citizens.

Charles H. Sharp, capitalist of Pampa, Texas, spent two days here last week making a survey of the hotel needs of the community, for the purpose of determining whether or not he would be interested in financing a new and modern hotel on the Flynn, Welch and Yates property at the corner of Main and first streets. Mr. Sharp is impressed with the possibilities of a new hotel here and has intimated that he would likely be interested in financing the proposed structure. In the event he should see fit to give the project his approval, plans would be made to erect a six story building to cost \$150,000. Mr. Sharp would finance the building provided he could secure a bonus of \$30,000 from local residents.

DEMOCRATIC CENTRAL COMMITTEE IN THE RED

The State Democratic Committee finished the recent state campaign with \$950.00 unpaid bills, according to Clinton Anderson of Albuquerque, acting treasurer. The receipts were \$31,611.65 and the disbursements amounted to \$32,011.65.

MAY ADD ANOTHER DEGREE

The local I. O. O. F. lodge is contemplating the addition of a new degree in Oddfellowship known as the Canton or Military degree.

N. H. MOBERLY DIES SUNDAY—INTERMENT IN LOCAL CEMETERY

N. H. Moberly, age 81, died at the family residence here Sunday, following an attack of pneumonia. Mr. Moberly had been a resident of Artesia some two months. Funeral services were held at the family residence, Rev. Peterson, pastor of the Baptist church officiating. Interment was made in the Woodbine cemetery.

HIGHWAY NEAR READY

The new highway, 132-B federal aid project, northward towards Roswell is very nearly completed and will be opened in a few days. The highway department hoped to open the road for travel some days ago, while final details were being completed. However, motorists made such speed through the construction gangs, drove through bars, drove through lanterns and otherwise interfered with work so greatly that the plan had to be abandoned.—Current-Argus.

DIRECT CONNECTIONS TO LOVINGTON NOW

Pecos valley folks are now able to enjoy direct phone connections to Lovington over the new circuit recently completed to the county seat of Lea county. Direct connections has also been established from Artesia to Maljamar. The old phone line from here to Lovington is being dismantled.

ARTESIA IS DEFEATED IN THE FIRST BASKETBALL GAME OF THE SEASON

Failure to ring basket at timely moments, cost Artesia the opening basketball game here Friday evening against the fast Roswell Coyotes. After the start, Roswell was able to maintain the safe lead, although both teams were slow in getting underway. Artesia never threatened to cut Roswell's lead except in the third quarter, when they made one field goal and one free throw against four free throws for Roswell. Mann was responsible for three field goals for the locals, while Clayton showed excellent form in passing the ball.

Score by quarters: First quarter, Roswell 9, Artesia 5; second quarter, Roswell 9, Artesia 2; third quarter, Roswell 4, Artesia 3; fourth quarter, Roswell 8, Artesia 3. Total score, Roswell 30, Artesia 13.

Lineup: Clayton, rf. 1 1 3; Compton, S. lf. 0 1 1; Brown, J. W. lf. 0 0 1; Miller, c. 1 0 3; Mann, rg. 3 0 1; Compton, W. 3 1 2; Faulker, rg. 0 0 2; Pollard, lg. 0 0 4

Totals: FG 5, FT 3, P 15. Roswell: Carpenter, rf. 4 1 2; Hodges, rf. 0 1 0; Cockran, lf. 1 2 0; Conley, lf. 0 0 0; McPherson, c. 4 2 3; Robertson, c. 0 0 0; Bond, rg. 0 0 2; Nelson, rg. 0 0 1; Peed, lg. 2 2 0; Williams, lg. 0 0 2

ROTARIANS STORM THE LIONS CLUB AT THEIR REGULAR MEETING FRI.

The joint meeting of the Rotary-Lions clubs, held at the Bullock banquet hall, Friday noon, was one of the most enjoyable occasions of the season among the local civic clubs. It was a surprise affair on the part of the Rotary club, the members gathered at Joyce Pruit's store and marched over in a body, taking the Lion's club by storm.

COTTON SPINNING FOR NOV.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The census bureau's report yesterday on cotton spinning activities for November showed active spindle hours for the month totaled 8,524,399,388 or an average of 241 hours per spindle in place.

REINDEER MEAT FOR XMAS

For the first time in the history of the community, Artesia folks will have an opportunity to taste Alaskan reindeer meat this Christmas. By special arrangement the City Market expects to receive a supply of this famous meat, tomorrow noon.

ARRANGEMENTS MADE TO STAGE MOVIE IN CARLSBAD CAVERNS

J. C. Irwin, of Hollywood, California, independent moving picture producer, is a visitor in Artesia today. Mr. Irwin plans to produce a moving picture centered around the Carlsbad Caverns and states that preliminaries are underway to start production on January 20th. The title of the production is known as the "Medicine Man" and has its setting back in the early days of 1848 on the old Butterfield trail. The scenario on which the picture is based begins at Topeka, Kansas and moves into New Mexico as the story progresses. Two negatives will be made for all scenes in the Caverns, one for sound effect and one for silent effect.

LEA COUNTY WANTS A NEW RAILROAD FROM MONAHANS INTO STATE

SANTA FE.—A committee of six men from Lea county appeared before the state corporation commission Monday to request the assistance of the corporation commission if necessary to obtain permission for the construction of the Texas and New Mexico railroad into Lea county. The Texas and New Mexico, which is a branch of the Texas Pacific, has applied to the interstate commerce commission for permission to build the road, and at the same time the Santa Fe railroad has a similar request for railroad building in Lea county before the I. C. C. in Washington.

The committee, which included Seth Alston, told Commissioner Hugh Williams that the people of Lea county wanted the Texas and New Mexico railroad in preference to the Santa Fe railroad in the event the interstate commerce commission decided to grant a permit to only one of the railroads instead of both of them. Mr. Williams told the committee that its petition should go to the interstate commerce commission and that in the event the I. C. C. so ordered, that the state corporation commission would conduct a hearing in Lea county.

A SHORT SESSION OF DISTRICT COURT HELD AT CARLSBAD THIS WEEK

District Judge G. A. Richardson and Court Reporter Puckett came down from Roswell Sunday and opened a brief session of district court which will be completed probably today.

P. V. BAND-ORCHESTRA TO GIVE ITS ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Next Sunday, December 23rd at 3 p. m., the Pecos valley orchestra, conducted by E. L. Harp, assisted by the Pecos valley band, conducted by Ray Soladay, of Carlsbad, will give their third annual Christmas program at the Roswell Princess Theatre.

ATTENDS BANQUET AT LAKE VAN MONDAY NITE

Members of the Jackson-Bolton Chevrolet Co., attended a banquet given by the Sparks Chevrolet Co., at Lake Van, near Dexter, Monday evening. The banquet was the result of the sales contest between these two organizations, in which the Jackson-Bolton Chevrolet Co. won. Turkey with all the trimmings was served to about thirty guests. Among the members of the local organization attending this event were: Neal Russell, E. E. Scoggins, Oswald Yturde and V. D. Bolton.

Merchants Displaying A Big Line Of Xmas Wares

Business Men Anticipating Largest Holiday Business Ever Experienced Here—Window Displays Very Interesting.

With Christmas just around the corner, holiday shoppers will have only about three more days to make their selections. Anticipating a last minute rush, the Artesia merchants have selected an unusually large line of holiday wares, which compares favorably both in quality and price with the larger Christmas displays found in the big centers of population. So far the response to the holiday appeals of the local merchants has been very gratifying and will mount to the largest volume experienced in Artesia.

Window shoppers, who have seen the window displays, will be a walk up and down Main street a continual round of plaudits. Three departments of Joyce Pruit are each displaying an attractive line of holiday goods. Featuring real and useful gifts, the dry goods department of this firm has windows filled with suggestive gifts for every member of the family. An imitation Chinese temple sits in the center of the right window, surrounded by a Hickox leather display. The window contains many other suggestive items of interest to the men, women and children such as silk underwear, watch chains, house slippers, ties, hats, caps. In the window of the hardware department, one finds a veritable toyland. From the top of the window is displayed a large toy airplane, other toys seen in the windows to delight the kiddies are toy autos, toy wagons, toy tools, toy tables, toy games, water sets, novelties and many other play things designed to please the children. In the windows of the grocery department, one finds an attractive display of holiday candies, assorted fruits and nuts and other table delicacies, temptingly arranged.

In the Smoke House one will find an attractive arrangement of Whiteman candies in the right window, while the left window contains perfume sets, toilet sets and a general assortment of novelties. The Brainard-Corbin Hardware Co., is showing an assortment of toys and practical gifts for father, son, daughter and mother. The Star Grocery has re-

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Loose-leaf Binders, Special Ruling and Stock Forms.—The Advocate.

is Completed Afternoon and Sessions Examined Cause Plea oforneys.

As been made in the jury from the motion to serve on state versus R. H. Cavender charged with murder here on Monday. At three o'clock on the selection of the jury from 37 names. While several were included in the jury were accepted. The jury was impaneled Monday at Carlsbad. The defense attorneys Cavenders, J. S. McCall and Joe A. Montague, of Dallas, Texas, spent several hours in the courtroom on Monday for each of the three defendants. The defense is not the same as in the previous trial, at which time the jury was impaneled at Carlsbad. Another difference in the case was the defense charging the three defendants with the murder. The indictment was drawn up on information. The present time trial is expected to be a long one. The proceedings are proceeding rapidly now, however, important witnesses were heard yesterday afternoon from the witnesses all from the state. The witnesses included Tex Polk, John Fred Cole, S. W. Gilbert, Collins, Will Benson, Mrs. Bert and Miss Irma Woodridge. The defense is attempting to have testimony of S. W. Gilbert, J. T. and Mrs. Bert Shipp excluded, claiming that it is irrelevant on the grounds that practically all of the testimony of the three witnesses do with the events leading to the killing.

The jury empaneled is composed of H. Nichols, Owen Wood, Robert and A. J. Mayes, G. S. Groves, J. Jordan, Ross Calvert, A. C. Iham, A. C. Bindell, A. M. Hoese, J. Brown, and R. M. Hamblen. It was indicated by developments yesterday that the state, represented by G. Osburn, district attorney and Bujac, assistant district attorney, would ask that the extreme y, death, be imposed on the defendants. The defense is attempting to build their case around the defense for R. H. Cavender.

alleged to have shot y are also attempting to use and effect of the which the defendant acted to, Young Cavender brought out in testimony fifteen years of his camp. The list includes the Richards, J. M. al. The testimony was regarded as at during the forenoon, identified the gun avender, who is alleged to have shot Cavender, short-

nesses remain to stated at noon testimony will likely be in the afternoon or early in the morning. After the testimony give their third annual Christmas program at the Roswell Princess Theatre.

Ninety-five valley orchestra band members are planning to assist in the program. The sections will be represented with thirty-four flutes, one viola, three violincellos, double bass, four flutes sixteen clarinets, fourteen trumpets, six saxophones, one baritone, four tubas, xylophone, three trap drummers, one piano. Program will be free on practically all of the expenses the program has been taken care of. A silver offering will be taken for all necessary expenditures to the Salvation Army. The public is cordially invited to join the singing. Ruth Mahoney, French, and Mable Champion.

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