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Christmas Wishes to All

Oil Activity Quiet Over Southeastern Oil Section

Proration Meeting At Santa Fe Commanding Interest—North Lea County Test Reaches Contract Depth Of 5,001 Feet.

Aside from routine drilling, oil activity in southeastern New Mexico has experienced the usual slump and little or no noteworthy developments are expected until the beginning of the New Year and even then it may take several weeks to the normal stride.

Just now chief interest is centered on the new state administration especially as to the policies that the new commissioner, Jas. F. Hinkle, will adopt. The proration meeting held for January 5th in Santa Fe before Land Commissioner Hinkle is regarded as a major item on the calendar of the oil men. While operators generally anticipate that there will be little or no change in present proration schedule of the Hobbs pool, independent operators, men and other residents of Lea county have laid plans for waging fight to have proration of the Hobbs field lifted. These men intend in development incidental to claim that proration has been means of wasting oil and that program has retarded the development of Lea county and caused institutions to lose needed revenue. Lea county residents have organized to send ten representatives to the Santa Fe meeting, January 5th. On the other hand, producing companies in the Hobbs pool contend to lift or do away with the proration program would mean a large flood of surplus oil would be thrown on the market, which would help to further demoralize the industry and would give other fields the same privilege of owing open wide every well.

Still Interested In Wildcats

Members of the oil fraternity continue to watch the progress of a number of wells outside of the Hobbs field since the wells in the pool have ceased to come in with their usual regularity. The State No. 1 of the City Oil Co., 330 feet from the north and east lines sec. 19-21-36 in Eunice district has more than doubled its previous flow after an eight day shut from 3940-60 feet and yielded 1,147 barrels following the test as against an average of 500 barrels on previous tests. One of the deepest drilling wells in Lea county at the present time, the State No. 1 of Galt Brown Co., sec. 9-35, northwest of Lovington has completed contract depth at 5,001 feet and will likely be carried to 6,000 feet for the deepest well in southeastern New Mexico. South and west of Lovington, the State No. 1 Western Texas, sec. 17-17-34, is drilling below 4,150 feet, after having encountered several oil shows.

PRIZE MONEY IN CITY BEAUTIFUL CONTEST TO BE MAILED SOON

A list of the winning contestants in the City Beautiful contest, has been handed in to the Chamber of Commerce office and prizes for the respective places in the contest will be mailed shortly after Christmas. The delay has been experienced attending to this matter, but prompt action is promised after the holidays.

Wedding Announcements and Invitations, Engraved or Printed—Advocate

HOPE FARMERS SELL OVER 4,000 POUNDS OF TURKEYS LAST WEEK

Last week was market week for turkey raisers at Hope. About four hundred birds were graded and loaded out for market. All turkeys offered for sale were assembled at a central point, where they were graded and sold to the highest bidder. Several buyers from the various valley points were present. The birds were shipped away in trucks.

At this time about two tons or 4,000 pounds of turkeys changed hands at an average price of 15 cents, it was said. The valuation of the turkeys sold was about \$600.00.

SPRINGER TO RESIGN AS COURTESY TO THE INCOMING GOVERNOR

"As a courtesy to the incoming governor" the present state highway commission will resign at the end of the Dillon administration according to an article in the State Tribune of Tuesday.

This was the inference of Charles Springer, chairman of the commission, who spent the week end in Albuquerque.

Inasmuch as the chairman of the highway commission is a veteran republican leader the statement is taken as an indication that Governor-Elect Seligman will receive the resignation of all holdover appointees as he has requested.

It is believed probable that the highway commission will set the precedent for other republican commission holders and that January 1 will see the state swept bare of all signs of the Dillon administration.

Mr. Springer, the battle focus of many state campaigns, declined while here to make any political observations.

"This is a good time for republicans not to say anything, I think," he said with a suspicion of a twinkle in his eyes.

The highway chairman did comment on the protest that has arisen over construction of the highway bridge at Los Lunas.

"The bridge was pronounced unfit several years ago," he said. "The highway department in conformity with a national policy of construction in a period of depression decided to build the bridge."

The construction price, Mr. Springer said, is low. The funds are those raised in Valencia county by tax levy.

PRECINCT ELECTION JANUARY 5 ATTRACTS LITTLE INTEREST

Little interest has been manifested so far in the forthcoming precinct election, January 5th, at which time a constable and justice of the peace will be elected. There are no avowed candidates for either place so far as could be learned yesterday, however there are two or three citizens who will accept the office if nominated. Whether or not more prospective candidates will enter the field depends somewhat on developments between now and the date of election.

W. E. Ragsdale is a receptive candidate for the office of justice of the peace if it is understood. The present justice of the peace, S. W. Gilbert will not be a candidate for reelection if there is opposition and it is unlikely that he would accept if offered the place without a contest. Both Ross Conner and Carl Gordon, the present constable will be candidates for the office of constable, it was said here yesterday.

FLETCHER SENTENCED

Rhea Fletcher of Hobbs, was found guilty of second degree murder at Roswell after the jury had deliberated for twelve hours. Fletcher shot and killed William Frese, 19, at Hobbs last August. Fletcher pleaded self defense, while the state requested a verdict of first degree murder and the death penalty, contending that Fletcher shot without provocation.

PEGOS VALLEY GAS CO MAY EXTEND A GAS LINE TO COTTONWOOD

Propose Seven Mile Pipe Line Extension To Serve A Number Of Farmers—Local Office Force Increased To Ten.

Several additions have been made to the general office force of the Consumers Natural Gas Co., within the past two months, as the business of the recent merger is directed toward the central office. The greater part of the office building of the Pecos Valley Gas Co., is now occupied by the office force as employees have been added. With the addition of J. L. Wright of El Paso, as assistant in accounting department, the office employees have been increased to ten. One other man and possibly two men will be placed in the office shortly after the first of the year. The present office personnel consists of C. H. Roe, auditor; E. B. Jones, chief accountant; J. L. Wright, assistant accountant; Sidney Woods, chief engineer; Herman Cole, assistant in the accounting department; Miss Elaine Feemster, cashier; Mrs. Carmen Jackson and Miss Elizabeth Cogdell, measuring department; Miss Velma Richards, stenographer; Miss Neva Schnoor, commercial department.

The field force of the Pecos Valley Gas Co., properties will remain unchanged with J. H. Wilson as superintendent. Some minor improvements and extensions will be made in Artesia in the near future it was said yesterday.

May Serve Farmers

It was also announced that the Pecos Valley Gas Co., contemplates the extension of a seven mile gas line into the lower Cottonwood community, to serve a number of farmers with pumping plants. Starting west from Lake Arthur the proposed line would run three miles west, thence two and a half miles south, thence a mile east, thence a mile south to the Cottonwood gin. The proposed line would serve about twenty farm dwellings, one gin and twelve pumping plants.

NO DEPUTY COLLECTOR HERE

No deputy auto license collector will be in Artesia during the month of December, according to word brought back to Artesia by Artesia residents, who were in Carlsbad Monday. The present deputy, F. E. Hubert, will spend his time in Carlsbad during December. Mr. Hubert may come to Artesia after the first of the year if he holds over long enough, but such a thing is hardly likely at the present time. Mr. Hubert has only registered about 500 cars out of about 3,700 in the county.

If residents of the north end of the county obtain their auto license before the close of the year, they must either go to Carlsbad or make application direct to the State Motor Vehicle Department.

EDDY COUNTY POULTRY SHOW

Plans have been made to hold the annual Eddy county poultry show in Carlsbad January 8, 9, and 10, according to an announcement made last week at Carlsbad. The judge will be J. A. McAdams, an American Poultry Association judge of St. Louis. W. A. Wunsch, county agent will be superintendent. It is expected that there will be 400 birds at this show this year, last year there were 300.

COLD WEATHER AT AVIS

Leonard Munson, of Avis, who was trading in Artesia Tuesday reports that the mountain section experienced its coldest weather, Monday morning following a light snow Sunday. The thermometer registered 14 degrees below zero. The coldest weather recorded here was 14 above, according to R. W. Bruce, weather observer.

Sol Vanclave and son of Pinon were shopping in Artesia Monday.

THE ARTESIA CHURCHES HAVE APPROPRIATE CHRISTMAS PROGRAMS

Practically Every Local Church Has Tree With Treats For The Children—Cottonwood To Have Community Tree.

Practically every church in Artesia has had or will have a Christmas program. Christmas trees with programs have been the order of the day. Following is an outline of the various programs to be presented Wednesday evening:

Methodist Church

The church will have a Christmas tree and program Wednesday evening from 7:00 to 8:00 p. m. All Sunday school children will be given treats. There will be no Santa Claus.

Baptist Church

An interesting program has been prepared for presentation at the Baptist church this evening at 7:30. The program consists of exercises and recitations with special music arranged by Mrs. Ralph Henson, pianist and Miss Deter, violinist. After the program the Sunday school treats will be given out.

The Church of Christ

The Church of Christ held a short Christmas program last Sunday, but the affair was not an elaborate one. Treats were distributed to the children and was probably the most interesting feature of the affair.

Church of the Nazarene

The Church of the Nazarene will present a program by the Sunday school workers and pupils Wednesday evening (to-day). Recitations and songs with probably a visit by Santa will conclude the evening when the treats are distributed.

Cottonwood To Have Tree

Both of the Cottonwood communities are having a community tree and program Wednesday evening at the Cottonwood Methodist church. The event is sponsored by the Sunday school classes and teachers of the Cottonwood church. There will be a visit from Santa with treats for everyone. H. R. Rodgers, former principal of the Lower Cottonwood school and county superintendent elect will make the principal address of the program.

The Presbyterian Church

Christmas services at the Presbyterian church were held at the church building, Tuesday evening. The following program was rendered: Opening Hymn, "O Come All Ye Faithful." Address of Welcome—Olin Woodside Anthem, "The Angels"—Church choir Scripture Reading—Joan Wheatley, Chairman's Address.

Two Songs by Beginners Department—"Why Do Bells At Christmas Ring." "Christmas Bells." Reading, "Christmas"—Adele Williams.

Song—Barbara Wheatley Santa Claus Dialogue—Don and Val Morgan.

Reading—Peggy Linell. Anthem, "The Nativity"—Church Choir

Song—Primary Department. Offering for Foreign Missions, to promote peace and goodwill among men.

Songs—Junior Classes

Reading—Jane Shugart

Reading—Charles Mac Knoedler

Reading—Ethel Bowman

Anthem—Church choir

Reading—Beatrice Howell

Reading—Billy Paris

Closing Hymn, "Hark the Herald Angels Sing"

Visit of Santa Claus.

MASONS AND EASTERN STARS TO HOLD JOINT INSTALLATION DEC. 27

The Artesia Lodge No. 28, A. F. & A. M., and the local chapter of the Order of Eastern Star will hold a joint installation of officers on St. John's Day, Saturday, December 27th at 7:30 p. m.

All member of both organizations are requested to attend. The Masonic lodge will convene at 7:00 p. m. for a short business session.

MISS RUTH SCOTT HAS NARROW ESCAPE IN AN AUTO ACCIDENT FRI.

Miss Ruth Scott had a narrow escape in an auto accident Friday, while she was en route to San Antonio, with Judge Quinn. While motoring near Ozona, Texas, Miss Scott, who was driving attempted to pass a truck and ran out into a ditch, striking a rock pile which tore the bed from her Buick car. In striking the rock pile, the driving shaft of the car was broken, which stopped the auto and probably saved the life of both Miss Scott and Judge Quinn. Neither occupant of the car was seriously injured.

ALLEGED HEAD OF AN AUTO THEFT RING IS SLAIN AT CARRIZOZO

Lowell Cobb, alleged ring leader of an auto theft ring was shot to death at Carrizozo Tuesday night by Deputy Sheriff Pete Johnson, after Cobb had wounded Deputy Sheriff Roman Farmer in the groin.

The officers had lain in wait for Cobb for two days at a place where he had cached two automobiles which the officers allege were stolen.

Parts of both automobiles had been removed so that they could not be traced.

Tuesday night the officers continued their wait in the woods near Carrizozo, Cobb drove up with Mrs. Perry Melon and her small son who he was taking to Corona.

He placed some parts in one of the alleged stolen cars and tried to start it. The deputy sheriffs came out of hiding and commanded Cobb to surrender.

Instead, Cobb whipped out a revolver and shot once at Farmer striking him in the groin. Deputy Sheriff Johnson fired killing Cobb instantly with a shot through the abdomen.

Cobb, according to Sheriff John Brady has given the officers of Lincoln county trouble for many years.

The coroner's jury returned a verdict that Johnson shot Cobb while fulfilling the duties of his office.

Another man alleged to be a companion of Cobb in the auto theft business is being sought by the officers.

NORTH EDDY COUNTY GINS REACH NEW HIGH MARK LAST REPORT

A record cotton crop for the Pecos valley will be practically all gathered in the same year it was planted. Few gins will operate this week. Most of the gins in north Eddy county will close down after Saturday. Gins in this area have passed the 10,000 bale mark and with the Lake Arthur gin have turned out more than a thousand bales ahead of last year's crop, while the valley has neared a new high mark 46,000 bales, Eddy county has contributed more than 29,000 bales to this total.

The report by gins is divided as follows:

Cottonwood gin	2,285
Association gin, Espula	2,164
Association gin, Artesia	2,430
Farmers gin, Artesia	1,574
Association gin, Atoka	1,647
Total	10,100

LARGE CROWD GREET'S SANTA

Any one who may have doubted that the number of children in the Artesia section has diminished, should have witnessed the procession that greeted Santa Claus here on Saturday afternoon. The line of kiddies extended about two blocks. Each child was given the treats as he or she passed out of line. Nine hundred and forty children formed the line and there were 1150 sacks filled with candies and nuts. Those who were distributing the treats had little difficulty in disposing of the extra 210 sacks, as some of the children doubled back.

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Oil Leaders May Provide Help For the Independent

Withdrawal Of Prairie Oil Co. Causes Small Oil Men To Face Disaster—To Hold Meeting In Kansas Soon.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The oil industry yesterday notified Secretary Wilbur that from within its own ranks would come help for 10,000 small, independent producers threatened with extinction by the impending withdrawal from the market of the Prairie Oil and Gas Company.

Wilbur, chairman of the federal oil conservation board, announced that several of the major companies had informed him by telegraph they were sending representatives to Independence, Kansas to meet within the next few days with the producers in the Kansas and Oklahoma fields.

Plans for buying the production that has been purchased heretofore by the Prairie company will be laid at the meeting, the secretary said. Meanwhile the producers and the American Petroleum Institute are seeking the most feasible plan.

The date for the meeting has not been set. Secretary Wilbur declined to make public the names of the companies.

The Prairie company notified the conservation board it stood ready to offer its pipe line facilities to the producers to move their oil to new markets.

THE THREE HAWKS COMING

Those who enjoy aircraft stunting are promised a thrill of a life time in the appearance of the Three Hawks, scheduled to exhibit at the local airport, two miles west of Artesia, Sunday, December 28th. The Three Hawks, include the Tommy Hawk, piloted by Robert Hohag, the Mohawk, piloted by Paul Mliner and the Black Hawk, piloted by L. P. Quinn, who has carried more than 35,000 passengers in the last ten years.

Sunday's entertainment will consist of stunt flying, spins, loops, stunt flying loops without motor and wing walking. See the announcement of the Three Hawks appearing in this issue.

CHRISTMAS ROTARY PROGRAM

The holiday spirit predominated the luncheon of the Artesia Rotary club Tuesday and the holiday motif was carried out in the program. Mrs. Corrine Lanning received an encore on a vocal solo, Rev. W. A. Henry, pastor of the Nazarene church gave a talk on the "Spirit of Christmas" and each Rotarian distributed a present to his friend.

Visitors present in addition to those on the program were: J. R. Ogden, Carlsbad, Syl Johnson, Gil Amis and Charles Allison of Roswell.

Typewriters for rent at Advocate.

ROAD OILING ON THE SOUTH ROAD TO START SOON AFTER XMAS

The road crew has started preliminary operations to the road oiling on the highway between Lake-wood and Carlsbad and more than three-quarters of a mile has been made ready for the oil. Oiling operations will start immediately after Christmas, it was said and the contractor will have sixty days to complete the job. The State Oil and Refining Co., plant at Dayton will be ready for the oiling job with several hundred barrels of road oil.

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CHRISTMAS

The great tragedy of childhood is the discovery that there is no Santa Claus who comes riding out of the north behind a team of charging reindeer . . . But the sadness and disappointment that this produces is short lived because to the child every day is a day of adventure and constantly he is discovering new interests to carry him along with winged feet.

The greatest tragedy of life, it seems to us, is the grown person who so loses his balance or perspective that he cannot respond to the magic influence of the Christmas Spirit . . . for him there is nothing to take its place and he becomes poor indeed . . . He may be possessed of a super-abundance of the world's goods, yet is a pauper because he knows not the meaning of true friendship . . . If Christmas means anything at all, it means the joy and happiness that comes from the exchange of amenities among friends.

Christmas is the one season of the year when men relax from the strenuousness of business life and speak those thoughts of love and appreciation which they carry in their hearts the year around . . . It is the season when we achieve the greatest happiness for ourselves by taking the time to say or do those things which will make others happy.

To us Christmas is an enchanted season. We like to visualize all of our friends as being active in the things that make Christmas the delightful season that it is . . . and to exchange smiles and handclaps with them as from our hearts we utter the cheeriest of all greetings, "Merry Christmas."—Southwestern Ambassador.

Those who persist in the opinion that all minerals on federal lands should be conserved to care for future needs should glance at the prophecy appearing in the recent issue of the Ladies Home Journal of what will happen in ten years. The prophecy with reference to a new motor fuel may be a little far fetched, but the petroleum industry is undergoing radical changes and incidentally increasing its supply of raw materials.

Now it transpires most of the Jamaica ginger which poisoned thousands of residents of several states came from Boston. It is a synthetic product which is generally called "Jake." Boston was the heart of the abolition movement in slavery days. And in even an earlier day, it seems there was a famous "tea party" in Boston harbor. Boston is simply running true to form in clinging to the principles of abolition.

MEANS OF DEVELOPMENT

The Pecos valley has not reached its full development agriculturally, all opinions to the contrary notwithstanding. It is true enough that we have made very little progress within the past ten years, but prospects looks brighter because more people are watching this particular section. Before we do things we have to become interested of course and it naturally follows that the more the outsider thinks of our own locality, the more home people will think of it.

The two avenues opened for the progress of our agricultural expansion are, the conservation of our artesian water supply and the development of our shallow water. Conservation of our artesian water is a problem that can not be solved in a day nor a year. The big task is to repair the leaky wells and to plug the abandoned wells, the cost of which will have to be spread over a series of years, but which nevertheless, will enable us to cultivate several thousand acres additional within the artesian basin. A number of interested people feel that the proposed board of control will eventually solve the problem as to organization and will bring about a solution to the key of the difficulty, that of stopping the waste through leaky and abandoned wells.

The possibility of developing the shallow water is just as great in this particular section as anywhere in the state. The few who have tried it have apparently succeeded, but their efforts have aroused little or no interest. A prominent farmer has suggested that the state be interested in putting down five or six test wells in the north and middle valley to give the shallow water a thorough test. Not a bad idea if the state can finance such a project.

KEEP THE MONEY MOVING

The president of the American Bankers association said a mouthful the other day.

"It isn't how much money is in circulation but how fast it circulates, that counts," he said, in substance, "One dollar will do the work of two dollars, if it moves from hand to hand twice as fast."

Money lying idle in a bank is not working. It is only when money is being spent that commodities move, factory wheels revolve, workers kept on the payroll.

In the reaction from an orgy of reckless spending, we seem to have swung almost as far the other way, into a state of mind which can only be called miserly.

People are timid about letting go of a dollar for any purpose—and in communities all over the nation able bodied men are peddling on the streets or taking money from charitable organizations for the support of their families.

This is more particularly true in the large cities; the country regions and the small towns have not felt the depression as keenly as have the large centers of population.

Yet everybody in the United States, broadly speaking, knows that money is not circulating as fast today as it was a year ago, and that people who owe money are finding it hard to get cash with which to meet their obligations.

That would not be the case if everybody who has something tucked away would spend some of it now for the useful, necessary things which are needed and which will eventually be bought anyway.

All kinds of merchandise are cheaper now than for years.—Tucumcari News.

THE PEOPLE MUST CHOOSE

Government, under the democratic scheme of things, exists for the sake of its individuals. Its sole duty is to protect those individuals from encroaching on the rights of each other. When government goes beyond this, it becomes paternalistic.

The mania for reform, for regulation and suppression of individuals and businesses is as un-American as communism or facism. It represents an alien influence which has come into American life in the past few decades. It is an affront to the spirit of our forefathers.

Business has been persecuted. Individual rights have been abrogated. And the people of the nation suffer. Every time the government takes unto itself new power, the individual loses an "inalienable" right. Every time politics lays its dread hand on business, the Constitution becomes less a living document and more a useless scrap of paper.

On the one hand is our tradition of individualism—on the other the new road which leads to communism. There is no middle course. It is up to the people to choose their way.

INSIDE INFORMATION

Some people think that allspice is a mixture of all the spices. This is not correct. Allspice is really a kind of pepper. It is dried, unripe fruit of the pimento tree, which belongs to the same family as the clove tree. It gets its name, allspice, from the fact that it has been said to have the odor of all spices.

The kind of salad dressing to use depends largely upon when the salad is to be served. A light salad, with a heavy dinner, usually needs a light dressing, such as a French dressing. Luncheon or supper salads, or those served with party refreshments, may have the richer dressings such as mayonnaise, cooked dressings, or cream dressing.

About a teaspoonful of tea to a cup is a good average proportion, according to tea specialists. More or less can be used for different tastes. First scald the pot—an earthenware one, by preference—to warm it. Put in the tea, pour on boiling water, but do not boil. Let stand about 5 or 6 minutes, then pour off into another warm teapot. If you use a tea ball, remove it.

Most children are uncomfortable in stiffly starched clothes. The idea that the garments stay clean longer if starched may be true if the little ones do not indulge in their usual active play because of their clothes. But it would be better to choose closely woven, firm wash fabrics, in smooth finishes that shed dirt, and in colors and patterns that do not look disagreeably dingy after a short wearing. Then starching is unnecessary.

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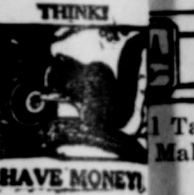
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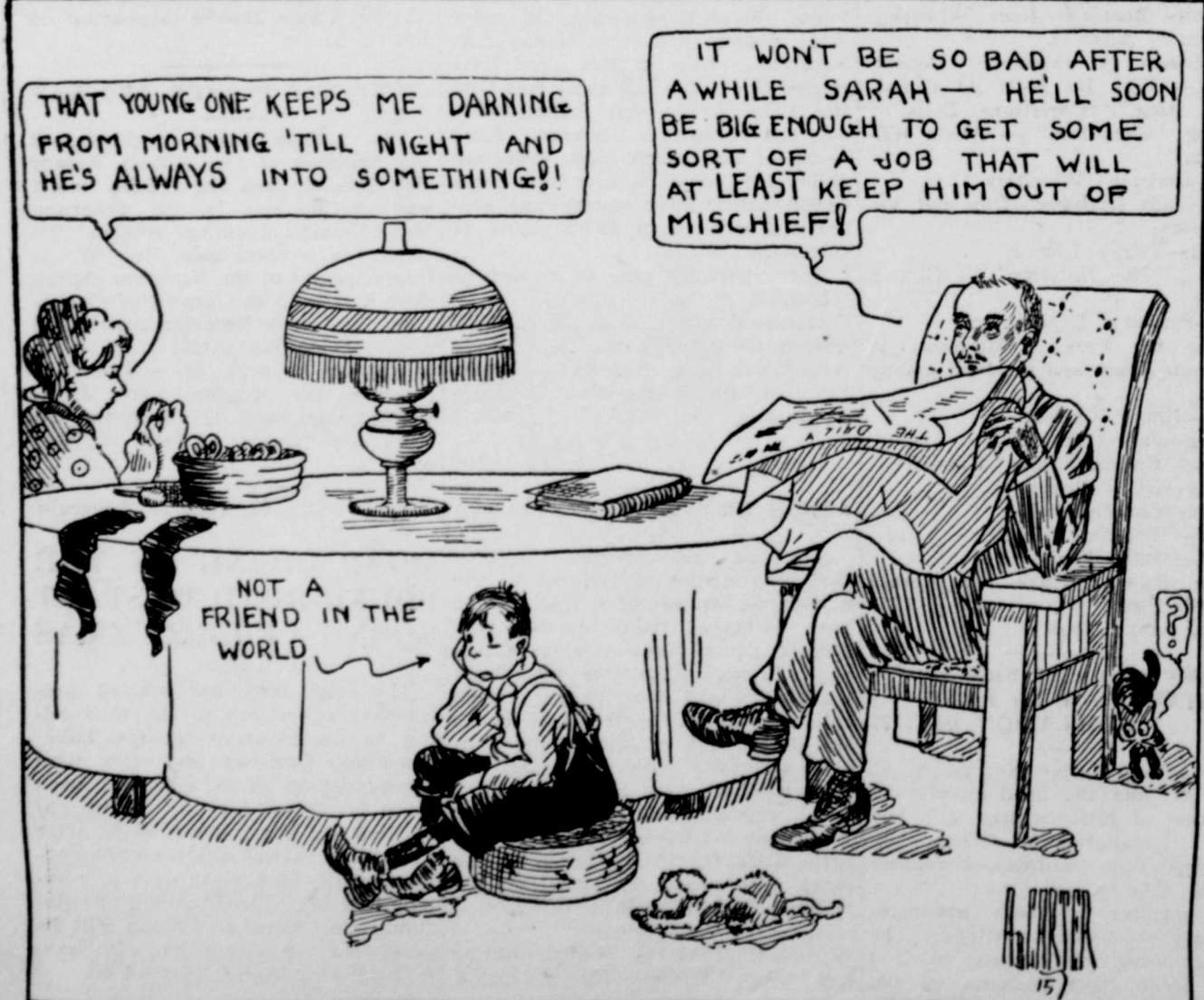
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SHIFTING OF TREASURY SURPLUS GAINS A BALANCE \$47,719,552

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Collection of \$73,637,657 in income tax on December 19 shifted the condition of the treasury from a deficit of \$16,740,646 on the preceding day to a surplus of \$47,719,552.

While the surplus is likely to fade away again after the first of the year, the deficit which has held sway since last September was wiped out by collection of the last quarter's payments on tax on 1929 incomes, the quarterly financing of the treasury which brought \$425,000,000 from sale of certificates and war debt payments by foreign countries.

The last treasury statement for December 19, showed for the month a total of \$440,932,489 had been collected from income taxes as compared with \$471,183,311 in the same number of days last year. For the fiscal year starting last July first income tax receipts amounted to \$1,051,418,275 compared with \$1,140,005,471 in the same period of the previous year.

On that date the government had collected from all sources \$1,768,038,456 and had spent \$1,720,318,904. Receipts were approximately \$200,000,000 less than for the same period of last fiscal year and disbursements \$172,000,000 less.

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LEE IMPROVED

Bob Lee, son of Senator Oliver Lee, of Alamogordo, who was injured in a pool hall explosion about two weeks ago at Alamogordo, is reported to be improving nicely in the Rousseau hospital. Reports that young Lee died after being hurt in the explosion, proved to be false.



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SPECIALISTS ATTEND OUTLOOK CONFERENCE

The Western States Regional Outlook Conference, held at Salt Lake City, December 15-19 was attended by specialists from all A. & M. Colleges of the eleven western states and by leading economists of the U. S. Department of Agriculture. The Mexico was represented by L. H. Hauter, agricultural economist; G. R. Quesenberry, agronomist; H. C. Stewart, horticulturist; W. L. Black, animal husbandman and E. E. Anderson, dairyman, all of the extension service.

Regional outlook conferences are being held in each general region of the United States. In these regional conference, the specialists have at hand all the information in regard to production and demand, foreign trade, and general business conditions, and an effort is being made to prepare as reliable outlook information as possible for the next year.

Following the regional outlook conferences, specialists of the extension service will prepare an outlook for the state of New Mexico, including the outlook for agricultural products. In January, representatives from every state in the Union will meet at Washington, D. C., for the drafting of a most thorough agricultural outlook for the United States.

The agricultural has been prepared in the United States and in various states each year for the past eight years. These predictions have been accurate on approximately ninety per cent of the commodities considered. Farmers and ranchmen have profited greatly by following the information and recommendations supplied in the outlook.

Miss Shirley Feather of Roswell, visited here Saturday and Sunday with her brother, Landis Feather, and family. She left Monday to spend the remainder of the vacation with the family of her brother, Prof. Adlai Feather, at State College.

LOCALS

Taylor was in from his ranch Maljamar, Monday.

Mary O'Neal is spending the days at her home in Kansas.

Callison and Hugh Long-Pinon spent the week end in ...

Mrs. Bryant Williams and ... of Hope were shopping in ... Saturday.

Ann Williams, high school ... is spending the vacation ... home at Elk.

Mrs. Roger Durand ... Monday from a short business ... to San Antonio, Texas.

Camille Horner of Dayton, ... of R. C. Horner is home ... Wichita Falls for the holidays.

Fred Brainard drove to Carls- ... Tuesday with her mother, Mrs. ... Holomon, and cousin, Dayton ...

Mabel Welton left Saturday ... a holiday visit with her son, ... Wirt, and family at Alameda, ...

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey ... will be interested in the birth ... last week at their home at ... of a ten pound boy.

Mrs. J. A. Porter left Thursday for a Christmas visit ... relatives in Los Angeles. They ... return about the middle of Jan- ...

Mrs. Clarence Stoldt and ... son arrived from Blackwell, ... Sunday evening to spend ... holidays with her parents, Mr. ... Mrs. Joe Clayton.

Richards, who had been the ... of his brother, John and wife, ... ned yesterday to his home at ... ance, on account of the serious ... of his wife's mother.

Noel Johnson of Hope, spent ... Friday with her daughter, Mrs. ... and Attebery, being a guest at ... Sunshine class party, which was ... tained at the Attebery home.

Mrs. W. H. Krigbaum of ... res, Texas, arrived in Artesia ... day to spend the holidays with ... daughter, Mrs. V. E. Eubank ... Mr. Eubank of the McAdoo Drug ...

Mrs. Harold Scoggins ... son, Grant, left Monday morn- ... for Boulder, Colorado, where ... are visiting relatives and at- ... ing a reunion of the Scoggins ...

Miss Jeanette Williamson, who ... ly underwent a major operation ... he Masonic hospital in El Paso, ... ported to be recuperating nicely ... the home of her brother, Edgar ... amson of El Paso.

Pearl Morris received the sad ... Sunday that her mother, Mrs. ... Forcum, had passed away at ... home at Oblong, Illinois. Mrs. ... was prevented from attending ... funeral by illness of one of her ...

Mrs. John DeArcy and ... of Wink, Texas, Miss Adelia ... of Albuquerque and Mr. and ... Lee Walker of Roswell are ... ing Christmas with their daugh- ... and sister, Mrs. Frank Walker, ... family.

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Warranty Deeds:
J. K. McCall to Rose Kyle Pier-son \$1.00 PT. NW 1/4 SE 1/4 7-22-27 etc. In The Probate Court:
No. 645 Inventory. In the Matter of the Estate of Genevieve Blevins, deceased.
In The District Court:
In the Matter of the reduction of taxes of James E. Howell, SW 1/4 NE 1/4 etc. 29-20-25.
December 16, 1930.

Warranty Deeds:
W. A. Buse to O. Usery \$10 west 55 ft. L. 7, B. 14, Green's Highland Addition to Carlsbad. J. R. Hodges to J. E. Barnett \$10 L. 9, B. 14, Morning Side Add. to Artesia. J. V. Collins to Joseph Anderson \$2,500 NE 1/4 SE 1/4 9-20-25, etc. 15-20-26.
December 17, 1930.

In The District Court:
No. 5112 Replevin. Artesia Auto Co., vs. M. S. Brown. No. 5113 suit on contract. J. F. Hunick vs. T. D. Courson.
December 18, 1930.

In The District Court:
No. 5100 suit on account. Peoples Merc. Co., vs. C. W. Trimble, \$296.51. No. 5101. Joyce Fruit Co., vs. C. W. Trimble \$254.14.
December 19, 1930.

Patent:
United States to D. S. Harroun S 1/2 SE 1/4 13; E 1/4 NE 1/4 24-23-28.
Warranty Deed:
D. H. Harroun to Jas. T. Neeson same as above.

Jack Terry is at home from Austin, Texas, to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Terry, on the Cottonwood. Jack, who graduated from the Texas University last June, was immediately given a good position with the U. S. Geological survey, with headquarters at Austin.



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Social Activities

SURPRISE PARTY

Miss Mary O'Neil, coach for the high school basket ball team, had a most pleasant surprise on Monday afternoon, when lured to the home of Miss Ruth Graham on the pretext of a called meeting of the team, she found herself the honoree at a party. The girls had arranged another surprise in the shape of a handsome present, which was presented by the captain of the team, Miss Evelyn Cobble in a neat little speech. After singing a number of songs and disposing of a quantity of toothsome refreshments the girls departed wishing their coach a happy Christmas visit to her home in Kansas.

FAMILY DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Terry of the Cottonwood are having a family party at dinner to-day including Mr. Terry's parents, the Rev. and Mrs. J. D. Terry, of Dayton, and their children of whom one is their son, Jack, who is at home from Austin, Texas for the holidays, also Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Rambo.

BIG FAMILY DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Terry are entertaining the entire Savoie family, numbering about forty, at Christmas dinner to-day. The families represented besides the hosts are Mrs. Terry's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Savoie, and her brothers and sister, who are, Mr. and Mrs. Leet Savoie and children, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Savoie, and children, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Weske and family of Hobbs, Mr. and Mrs. George Savoie, Jr., and family of Dayton, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Savoie and family, Mr. and Mrs. Chris. Savoie and family and Bryant Savoie.

STUDENTS HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS

Among the students home for the holidays are Miss Lola Ward from State University at Albuquerque; Jimmie Welsh, Arthur Paton and Noble Littlejohn, Military Institute, Roswell; Miss Evelyn Kimbrough, Loretto Academy, Santa Fe; Dick and Wade Kimbrough, St. Michael's, Santa Fe; Jim Norris, State College.

THE YOUNG MOTHERS' CLUB

The club held its annual Christmas party at the home of Mrs. C. A. Bulot last Friday afternoon with all members present. The Christmas spirit was in the air and all the children present were thrilled with the beautiful tree, laden with gifts for all the little folks.

Mrs. Jack Clady was in charge of the program in which some of the tiny tots participated, recitations being given by Darleen Dunn, Billy Sue Barnett, Barbara Ann Bulot, Andree Bulot and Ben Dunn, Jr. The birthday of Anna Lee Daniels was remembered with presents from the other children and the usual light refreshments were served.

THE SUNSHINE CLASS MEETING

The class held its monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. Dick Attebery last Friday, when a covered dish luncheon was served at noon, followed by a social afternoon. Xmas decorations with a beautiful tree lent the holiday atmosphere without which no social gathering is complete at this season. About twenty-five were present.

EPWORTH LEAGUE CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Epworth Juniors had a Christmas party last Sunday evening in connection with their regular meeting. Christmas songs were sung and gifts exchanged, and a beautiful tree added its attraction to the scene. Mrs. Reed Brainard, superintendent of the Juniors, was in charge.

MISS EGBERT'S PUPILS IN MUSICAL RECITAL (Delayed)

Miss Virginia Egbert presented a group of violin pupils in a recital, Saturday evening at the home of Mrs. Frank E. Miller. Miss Egbert's pupils were assisted by the pupils of Miss Catherine Clarke. Those taking part in the program were Mary Anne Miller, Mona Sinclair, Billy Bartlett, Lillie Mae Miller, Martha Sinclair, Grant Scoggins, Norma Christman, Jeanne Wheatley, Mrs. Brick and Kenneth Compton, the accompanists were Grace Sinclair and Elizabeth Gage.

Miss Julia Dunaway, of Casper, Wyoming, who is spending Christmas with her mother at Canyon, Texas, is expected to arrive tomorrow to spend a few days visiting Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Hightower.

Social Calendar

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TUESDAY

The Idlewhiles Bridge club will meet with Mrs. Ralph Shugart at 2:00 p. m.

The First Afternoon Bridge club will meet with Mrs. E. N. Bigler at 2:30 p. m.

ROWAN—BOWEN

The following announcement will be of interest to the many friends of Miss Aline Rowan, who is one of Artesia's most estimable young ladies and also one of the most successful students that have graduated from our high school. The notice is taken from the school paper of the Fairfax high school, Hollywood, California, both contracting parties being members of the faculty. Mr. Rawson H. Bowen is a son of Dr. Dwight Bowen of Los Angeles, and a member of the Zeta Psi fraternity. Miss Rowan is a member of the Sigma Kappa sorority.

A social event of the season of great interest to Colonials will be the wedding of Miss Allene D. Rowan and Coach Ross H. Bowen at the Little Church Around the Corner, Saturday, December 20, 5:30 p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. Bowen will leave Sunday morning on a honeymoon trip, driving north through Yosemite. On returning, they will make their home in Hollywood.

Miss Evelyn Whitmore of the McKinley Junior High will be maid of honor, and Paul Schaeffer, principal of the Gardena School, best man.

Miss Rowan is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Beecher Rowan of Artesia, New Mexico. She is a graduate of the University of California at Los Angeles.

Four years ago she was a student teacher at Fairfax, and has been on the physical education staff here for the past two years, taking an active part as sponsor of the Girl's Athletic Association.

Coach Bowen, who has led the basketball team to victory for the past three years, has coached at Fairfax since the opening of the school six years ago. He is a graduate of U. C. L. A. and attended the University of Southern California and the University at Berkeley where he was prominent in athletics as well as social activities.

The old saying: "Change your name and not your letter."

Change for worse and not for better." has been revised by the G. A. girls to suit Miss Rowan as follows: "Don't change your name, but change your letter, Don't change for worse, but change for better."

EVENING PARTY

Mrs. J. H. Jackson entertained a company of young people at a party Tuesday evening in honor of her son, Cavitt, who is at home for the holidays. The amusements consisted of dancing, rook and other games and Christmas decorations made an attractive setting for this pleasant social event. Refreshments of ice cream and cake were served by the hostess and punch was provided all through the evening. Mrs. J. M. Story assisted Mrs. Jackson in entertaining. There were eighteen couples present, including three young gentlemen from out-of-town, Edward Wade of El Paso, O. R. Hearte, Jr., of California and Frank Campbell of Denver.

BANQUET AT BULLOCK HALL

The annual Chamber of Commerce banquet will be held in the Bullock banquet hall, Tuesday evening, January 6th, beginning at 7:30 p. m., L. N. Kremer said the first of the week. Final plans for the annual banquet are being formulated rapidly and an interesting program is promised.

CHRISTMAS DINNER

Jeff Hightower arrived home for Christmas and to-day Mr. and Mrs. Hightower have with them for turkey dinner Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Bird and Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Blocker.

CHRISTMAS DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Dunn are entertaining at Christmas dinner, the company including Mrs. Dunn's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thigpen, Mr. Dunn's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Preston Dunn, John Dunn and family, and the hosts.

TURKEY DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Mount were hosts at a two course turkey dinner, which was served at half past six o'clock last Wednesday evening. The guests at this delicious meal were Mrs. Dan Eipper, Dr. and Mrs. H. A. Stroup and Paul Stroup.

SECOND EVENING BRIDGE CLUB

The club met at the Beecher Rowan home last Friday night for its regular meeting and enjoyed a splendid turkey dinner. There were two substitutes, Mrs. Wm. Compton and Jeff Hightower.

CHRISTMAS DINNER

The McCaw family are gathered at the paternal home to-day with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. U. M. McCaw, for turkey dinner. In addition to the family a few friends are enjoying the sumptuous meal, the company including besides the parents, Bert McCaw and children, Will McCaw and children, Hagan McCaw and family, the Misses Lina, Effie and Mary McCaw, E. B. McCaw of Hobbs, Miss Fern McCaw, who is at home from business college at Abilene, Texas for the holidays, Reed McCaw and wife, Mrs. Mary Rawls, the Misses Merrill Bradley and Opal Schroeder and Mrs. Owen McClay and Messrs. Elvy Barker and Lorenz Neely.

FAMILY DINNER

The Gray family dinner is being held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. N. Gray to-day, the other members of the family being present being Mr. and Mrs. C. Bert Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Will Gray and family, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Thomas and sons, Ed Gray, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hamann and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Joiner.

CHRISTMAS DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. Will Linell are entertaining at turkey dinner to-day, the company including, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Linell, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Clady and baby, and the family including Mrs. Linell's mother, Mrs. Martha Harris of the family circle.

SUNDAY DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. Skelt Williams entertained at dinner at noon on Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. "Col" Williams and sons, Johnnie and Woodrow, Mr. and Mrs. Tex Polk, and Mrs. Eloise Wurtzel of Hagerman.

BRIDGE PARTY

Mrs. Fred Brainard entertained three tables at bridge last Friday afternoon, serving refreshments in two courses. The Christmas spirit was evidenced in the beautiful decorations. The guest list included Mesdames L. N. Kremer, Jim Berry, E. H. Perry, Henry Paton, J. S. Ward, J. M. Story, Lewis Story, W. E. Flint, Leslie Martin, Landis Feather, Stephen Lanning and Chester Dexter.

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GIRL SCOUT PARTY

The Cardinal troop of the Girl Scouts, Miss LeVon Brown, captain, had a party in the Central school gym last Monday evening, at which time several tenderfoot scouts were initiated. A Christmas play was the first thing on the program and it bore the intriguing name of a "Pot of Red Geraniums," and was put on by a number of scouts. Miss Brown conducted the investing ceremony and the title of scout was conferred upon Nelle Jackson, Mabel Buford, Norma Michael and others whose names we did not get. The girls exchanged Christmas gifts and used them in playing a number of games, after which they donated them to the Community Chest to use in its Christmas giving. A committee had met and made delicious candy, which served for "eats" on this occasion. Mothers and friends of the scouts were guests at the party.

CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT

A Christmas entertainment that proved most interesting to the audience was that given by the Physical Education class of the Junior high school in the Central gym Tuesday afternoon at one o'clock. The class is under the direction of Miss Neil Wilkinson and gave a very commendable exhibition of their work. One the program were 'tap dancing, a Scottish dance, devil dance, Egyptian dance, sailor's and etc., given by the class. There were also readings, by Elsie Jernigan and Joan Wheatley. There was also a splendid Christmas tree and a Santa Claus impersonated by Bert Munev, who announced the program. The entertainment closed with the singing of a Christmas carol. The three schools, high, junior high and central school, and many of the parents witnessed the program.

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SOCIAL 401 CLUB MEETS

The Social 401 club met last evening at the home of Allen Perry and more than a score of young people enjoyed an evening of dancing. Among the guests present were the Misses Evelyn Cobble, Mary Jackson, Lilla Jackson, Nina Gray, Glennis Smith, Jack Ward, Virginia Goodell, Nelda Wilson and Messrs. J. W. Brown, Chas. Bullock, Lawrence Goodell, Lawrence Clarke, Dorris Ransbarger, James Welsh, O. R. Hearte, Wallace Gates and the host Mr. Perry.

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THE accident statistics show that motorists do not realize that an automobile improperly driven or not well kept is a dangerous vehicle. Racing drivers keep their personal cars in the best possible adjustment. Most race drivers are able to handle their cars perfectly but they give a great deal of attention to brake adjustment, tire inflation and proper lubrication.

It may seem strange that the average American highway should be more dangerous than the speedway, but this is the fact, due largely to carelessness of many otherwise normal people.

On the race track we know what our competitors are going to do under the most circumstances or emergencies. It is who can tell on the highway whether or not the driver in front of you is going to swerve out at you as you are passing him? This is the thing that is done times without number, in order to avoid holes, an animal, a hat, or what not.

It is all right if the scene is a country road and the next car is fifty or one hundred feet back, but thoughtless or incompetent drivers do it in congested traffic, when cars are running two or three abreast. They have no consideration for anyone else on the road. And the result is accidents. They turn corners without giving proper signals to those behind. They turn corners too fast in ninety cases out of every hundred. And when stopped by the traffic lights, they inch forward and make a quick getaway. It is this latter practice which causes a large number of minor accidents and some serious ones.

Here now, I want to ask you a question. Think of ten people you know best who have automobiles. Do you know how many times they have received tickets for traffic violations? How many have you received? Now listen carefully. I know, personally, ten race drivers who have never been in an accident on a public highway and who have never been arrested for breaking traffic rules. One of these drivers has been driving since 1898. (He drove the second automobile ever to come to this country). He has been driving different makes of cars for 32 years and has never been in an accident nor caused one.

He doesn't drive around corners fast. He doesn't drive right up to another car and slap on his brakes; he doesn't weave in and out of traffic; he doesn't go any faster than he considers safe for himself or the public on the highway; he never races to beat a light, and in all these years he has never had an automobile accident. Think of it!

In these days of super-luxurious, full-vision, all-steel bodied cars, equipped with the best brakes American engineers have been able to design, the papers are still full of descriptions of fatal accidents—due largely to heedlessness of the rights of others.

LAKE ARTHUR ITEMS

Miss Ella Ohlenbusch

Mrs. Cantrell was shopping in Roswell Monday.

H. A. Simms was shopping in Artesia Saturday.

Mrs. Daniel Goode, Tom Ridgeway and the Bucks motored to Artesia Monday.

Mrs. Eva Crook is here spending Christmas with her mother, Mrs. Russell.

Most of the farmers of this vicinity have completed their cotton picking operations.

Mrs. R. F. Beasley and Mrs. Z. B. Moon of Artesia were in Roswell Saturday.

Baker Flowers of Santa Fe, is spending Christmas with his parents Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Flowers.

Little Miss Dixie Dan Goode is spending the week with her aunt, Mrs. Opal Porter at Dexter.

A large number of the parents of this community took their children to Artesia to see Santa Claus.

Roy and Anna Slade of Weatherford, Texas are visiting their parents during the Christmas holidays.

The Lutherans of Dexter and Lake Arthur had a Christmas program Sunday morning, in Lake Arthur.

Misses Ruby and Minnie Lee Smith left here Friday afternoon for Tiabon to spend Christmas with their parents.

We are glad to report that little David Franklin was able to attend school Friday, after his serious operation.

Mr. and Mrs. George Wilkins and L. C. Dalton went to Lubbock, Texas Tuesday to visit friends and relatives.

The Methodists gave a very interesting Christmas program last Sunday evening and it was very well attended.

Jewel Flowers from State College is spending the Christmas vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Flowers.

Ed Gromo went to Silver City Tuesday, where he will probably make his residence and make a crop there next year.

Howard Beasley came home from State College to spend the Christmas vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Beasley.

Frank Markl and Chief Telephone operator, Miss Amanda Lundgrin of Roswell were in Lake Arthur Wednesday on business.

Mrs. E. A. King received a message from Hope, Texas, Thursday that her father had the misfortune to fall and break his hip.

The Smith Brothers have redecorated the interior of their filling station and have installed a first class battery charger in their shop.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Frazier and daughter, Elaine and Miss Mary Brewer left Friday afternoon for Cromwell, Texas to spend Christmas with their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Pate received word from their daughter, Montine, who is attending the Normal at Las Vegas, that she would be unable to spend Christmas at home on account of having scarlet fever.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Murphy and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Murphy, and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Bailey and family left early Monday morning for Takoha, Texas, where they will spend Christmas with their parents and will attend a family reunion while there.

TRUCK AND HOME GARDENS INCREASING IN NUMBERS

Commercial truck growing and home gardening are showing a remarkable increase in popularity, says H. C. Stewart of the New Mexico Agricultural College in his report of the work done in horticulture for the past year. Tree planting and home beautification are also projects that are receiving a great deal of attention. During the past year, more homes were landscaped and more trees planted than in any other one previous year.

There are many irrigated valleys in the state which are well adapted to truck growing. This work was carried on in 17 counties on all or part of the following crops: Onions, chile, cabbage, cauliflower, lettuce, sweet corn, tomatoes, sweet potatoes, and Irish potatoes. Work was done in 77 communities with 70 local leaders cooperating. There were 99 meetings held and 29 new stories published in connection with this project.

The home garden project has shown a healthy growth, especially in the eastern counties of the state where dry farming is practiced. Water for irrigation in this section was pumped by windmills. Home demonstration agents are aiding this project by encouraging the use of more vegetables, both green and canned. Work was done in 182 communities; 248 local leaders were used and 242 meetings held.

Fruit growing has not increased materially during the past few years. The state does not produce enough fruit, except apples, to supply its own needs. At present, the home orchard seems more popular than does the commercial phase of orcharding.

The general economic condition prevailing thruout the state should have a tendency to create interest in the horticultural project. Especially is this true with reference to market gardening and truck farming. Farmers generally are looking for crops that will produce a quick cash return in order to lighten the burden caused by cheap wheat and cotton.

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Christmas Greetings

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A Long Life and a Merry One

To our friends and customers, we extend our earnest wish that 1931 may prove but one more link in a long cheery life, replete with unending happiness.

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SUM SUPPER FOR NEW ORGANIZATION

Among the outstanding social events of the holiday season due notice, was the stag dinner at the home of that prominent man and social leader, Preston Dunn, Friday night. Mr. Dunn's recollection to the proud position of president of the newly organized chapter of the "Society For Prevention of Too Much Education," the occasion for the festive affair and the officers and directors of the organization which Mr. Dunn heads, were the fortunate guests. Pertaining to the welfare of the order were speedily disposed. The names of S. S. Ward, D. W. Van and Col. W. S. Williams were kened from the rolls for non-attendance and the application for membership made by Ruben W. Dunn rejected on the grounds of moral titude. Of the banquet which wed, one of the participants is this description:

Pres. said to be there by sixty and when the last of us got e, about five, he taken us right the front room where Judge rary and Coke Floore and sev- others wuz playin' a new game h they called, 'Sniff an' Say

body holdin' out to the contrary, we all fell to on it and three-four other kinds o' meat, nine vegetables, some fixin's and pie, besides which the wasn't scarcely nothin' else to eat, and everything swum along right peacable 'till somebody which was hit on the head when he was a boy, dipped too deep in the gravy dish and fetched up some kind of a hairy paw with long claws. Frank Miller fainted and Doc Hoover had to restore him. Judge McCrary being without his specs took one look at it and claimed it was a trantula and went right on spoonin' his vittles. Mark Corbin claimed we'd been eatin' badger all the time, at which Cal Crozier looked pained and begun fannin' hisself with his napkin while Doc Hoover got up quick and took a dose of his own medicine which made the situation look serious. Coke Floore stood pat and Bal Spencer says, 'Pres. pass some more of the Badg-uh-possum and everything went on alright after that.'

"Whatever the 'Ontree' was as the French say, Miz Dunn sure knows how to cook it and we hope Pres. digs out, traps or hives another one soon."

CONGRESS ON VACATION

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The administration's emergency relief program is now law and congress is off on two weeks Christmas holiday, but trouble signs still mark the road to final adjournment.

The tasks disposed of last Saturday night, after arduous work and bitter debate, formed the portion of the congressional program for which peaceful and speedy accomplishment had been hoped. Virtually all obstacles seen a month ago as potential causes of an extra session of the next congress in the spring, remain to be tackled.

The accomplishments of congress so far are limited virtually to passage of the \$116,000,000 emergency public works appropriation; the \$45,000 authorization for loans to farmers of the drouth states; the \$150,000,000 farm board appropriation; and approval by the senate of the five members of the new power commission.

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Dec. 18, 1930

Christmas Memories For Others

By Florence Harry Welly

MARK! the Herald Angels sing, "Glory to the new-born King!" The Christmas chimes were pealing overhead as Mrs. Peggy Walton hurried past the great department store.

A lump rose in Peggy's throat. Her eyes grew misty. She wondered if all these hurrying Christmas shoppers heard those chimes and felt as she did. Their faces gave no evidence of emotion; but neither did hers. Peggy assured herself.

Communing with herself Peggy thought of other Christmas shopping expeditions when all was joy and anticipation. But that was when Bob was little and the four grandparents and two aunts were all coming for the holiday festivities to the big brick house in the little town. Now Bob was twenty-one, the grandparents had passed away—Grandmother Walton and Grandmother Prentiss had gone just a short time apart the past summer. The two aunts felt as Peggy did that Christmas memories would be less poignant if they didn't try to have the customary reunion. And instead of the big brick house with its cheery fireplaces, in the friendly little town, they lived in an apartment in the city. Not much Christmas atmosphere about an apartment Peggy reflected.

But something must be done about Christmas for Bob's sake, if for no other reason. It wouldn't seem much like Christmas for Bob to come home from college to just her and Dad.

Peggy had passed beyond the sound of the chimes, but between shopping ventures her mind dwelt constantly on this Christmas problem and what she



Peggy Had Passed Beyond the Sound of the Chimes.

could do. All their friends had their own families at Christmas, just as they had had theirs until this year.

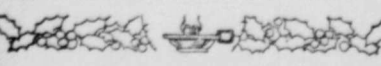
That brought her back again to the little town and the many changes that had taken place even in the short time they had been gone. Other homes besides theirs would miss the older generation this Christmas. Peggy began enumerating them in her mind.

There was Judge Hatford who had done so much for them when the first break had come and her own father had passed away, and even last summer when her mother, too, had gone. It was Judge Hatford who had taken the sting from the legal aspects. Yet, it was but a few weeks later when he also had been laid to rest in the little cemetery on the hill; then there was genial, courtly Mr. Morrow, and Mr. and Mrs. Roberts, separated from each other but a brief month, and Mr. and Mrs. Dawson—Peggy stopped in her summary. Why hadn't she thought of the Dawsons before? There was Fred Dawson, and Katharine, and their little boy Dick, and Katharine's younger sister, Mary; they, too, must be looking forward to Christmas with sorrowful memories; for always they had come from the far-off city to the home in the little town for the holidays and now there was no home to which to come.

"It's worse for them than for us. I'll write them at once," Peggy decided. "They're just what we need. Mary and Bob will have a good time. We always enjoy Fred and Katharine. And there's little Dick, bless his heart; a child is what we want to revive the Christmas spirit."

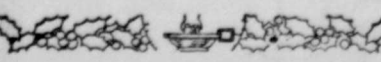
Again Peggy found herself within hearing of the Christmas chimes: "Joy to the world" was ringing forth as she approached the department store on her homeward way. But there was no lump in her throat this time and her eyes were clear and starry as she gaily hastened along, planning for others and winning for herself a Merry Christmas.

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Out of Tune

To the person out of tune with life Christmas may mean a wearisome duty, a bestowing of gifts on indifferent people, receiving in return things of incredible unsuitability for which he must write notes of imitation thanks



Instead of Christmas Tree

Italy has an "Urn of Fate" instead of a Christmas tree. They put their Christmas gifts into a big deep bowl, and grown people in a family take turns drawing for gifts.

BULLETIN OUTLINES GEOLOGICAL WORK IN THE ARTESIAN BASIN

Results of investigations concerning the artesian basin conducted by the state engineer's department and the U. S. Geological Survey have been made public.

Recommendations as to means of recharging the basin, preserving surface and shallow water supplies were made in the report.

The report follows: Under date of June 1930, Albert G. Fiedler and S. Spencer Nye of the U. S. Geological Survey cooperating with the state engineer submitted a paper entitled "Recommendations for a More Efficient Utilization of the Water Resources of the Artesian Basin in New Mexico." This investigation of the artesian basin has been conducted under the supervision of Oscar E. Meinzer, geologist in charge of the division of ground water, of the U. S. Geological Survey. The study was begun in July, 1925, and from that date to June 8, 1928, an office has been maintained in Roswell by Mr. Fiedler and his assistants. As a result of the work done during the first year of the investigation, a preliminary report was published and press notices have been issued from time to time on the progress of the work. The latest paper includes extracts from the final report which will be published in the near future by the U. S. Geological Survey as a Water Supply Paper.

As denoted by the above title, much of the contents are given to the recommendations for conservation, well drilling methods, well construction methods and a detailed outline of the areas of shallow pumping waters.

The area of intake for the waters of the artesian basin includes practically the entire water shed of the Sacramento mountains south of Salt Creek and north of Seven Rivers. In the report by Messrs. Fiedler and Nye they divide the area of intake into two subdivisions: that which is classed as the principal area of intake may be considered that portion west of Hope and east of the Y. O. Overthrust where it is dissected by the Rio Penasco, and that which lies between the Border Ridge fault at its point of crossing the Rio Hondo and the Six Mile fault. This includes a strip approximately 18 miles wide and 80 miles long or an area of about 1,400 square miles. The area west of the Border Ridge fault where it crosses the Rio Hondo and that area west of the Y. O. Overthrust where it crosses the Rio Penasco is representative of the secondary zones of intake.

Other than the waters that are obtained from the artesian aquifers are the possible sources of supply in what is termed as the valley fill. The report states in part: "The water in the valley fill is a valuable resource that remains relatively undeveloped and merits more consideration than has thus far been given to it. Although the shallow ground water in many places is not suitable for domestic purposes, most of it can probably be used for irrigation if the land is well drained and proper care is taken in using the water. There are many large tracts of land within the artesian area, especially in Chaves county, which could probably be irrigated with shallow ground water obtainable from depths of 50 feet. There are also many farms on which the flow of the artesian wells has diminished greatly or ceased entirely and here attempts should be made to develop supplies of the shallow ground water for irrigation. Although the possibility of overdraft on the ground water in the valley fill seems rather remote at present, it should not be entirely disregarded as the supply is certainly not inexhaustible. It is quite possible to withdraw by pumping more water than is being contributed to the zone of saturation in the valley fill and to lower the water table to such an extent that many wells would have to be abandoned because of excessive pumping lifts."

For this reason the state engineer is now maintaining observation wells in the shallow water areas for the express purpose of determining what effect excessive pumping will have on the drawdown on the water table. While the report enumerates possibility of future development and also the possible losses, it is in no way unfavorable to a continued expansion of agricultural pursuits in the artesian and shallow water areas of the basin if a program of economy and conservation is developed to a maximum degree of efficiency. The report has been published by the state engineer in the Ninth Biennial Report and in Bulletin No. 1 of the state engineers series.

Handbag vs. Boy's Pocket

To determine whether the traditional boy's pocket or the modern woman's handbag hold the greatest and widest variety of things was the subject of an unique survey in England recently. The handbag won, for one woman's receptacle contained a powder case, a diary, handkerchief, cigarette case, lighter, mirror, bundle of letters, purse, comb, notebook, lipstick, stocking mending outfit, patterns of cloth, keys, and a shoe lace.

LOCALS

Judge Ferree and Judge Atkeson were in Carlsbad Tuesday on legal business.

Mr. and Mrs. Luke Munschke left Sunday to spend Christmas at Dallas, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Curry are spending to-day with relatives in Hagerman.

P. Moody, Kansas City cattle buyer was here Monday, attending to business matters.

J. H. Bridgeman, of Hope, was in town Monday en route to Carlsbad on business.

Mrs. G. B. Dungan, Mrs. W. E. Flint and Miss Edna Dungan were in Roswell Monday.

Rufus Stinett is here from Portales, a holiday guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arba Green.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Paton are making a Christmas visit to relatives at Brownwood, Texas.

Miss Lucille Morriss is spending the holidays with her home folks in El Paso, Texas.

Frank Brooks, of Dallas, Texas, is spending Christmas here with his mother, Mrs. E. J. Brooks.

William Dooley left Saturday for Kansas City, where he will spend the holidays with his family.

Carl Martin, accompanied by his son, Dean, returned last week from a short visit to his parents in Nebraska.

Mrs. Howell Gage returned home yesterday from Silver City, where she is teaching, and will spend the holidays here.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Murry arrived from Moran, Texas, Sunday to spend Christmas with their mother, Mrs. L. W. Feemster.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Dexter left Sunday for San Antonio, Texas where they will spend the holidays visiting friends.

Jim Cowan and Bob Feemster came in Sunday from Oklahoma University at Norman to spend the holidays at home.

H. F. Pior came from Lovington Sunday to visit his sons, C. C. Pior, Ben Pior, and Roy, and families during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Durand and daughter, Abby, are spending to-day with Mr. Durand's mother, Mrs. A. Durand, at Dexter.

R. E. House of Clovis, former resident of Artesia, spent several days the past week visiting with Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Barnett and family.

Joe Plowman, who is attending State College at Las Cruces is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Plowman of Hope.

Mr. and Mrs. Brice McCaw and child, Floy Nellon, returned home to Clyde, Texas, last Saturday, after a short visit here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. U. M. McCaw, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. George Frisch and Miss Margaret Frisch are spending Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Buford Chunn at Amarillo, Texas. Miss Vesta Frisch is also in Amarillo, having been visiting the Chunnss since Thanksgiving.

Prof. and Mrs. Mehrens returned yesterday to their home at Vaughn, after spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dee Swift, at Hope. Saturday, accompanied by Mrs. Swift, she visited here with Elzie Swift and family.

William Flynn a student in the University of New Mexico, arrived in Artesia Monday to spend the holidays visiting friends and relatives. Mr. Flynn expects to meet his parents here, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Flynn of Robinson, Illinois.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Tarbet have with them for Christmas their daughter, Mrs. G. O. Dotson, husband and baby daughter, of Dumas, Texas, and their son, Wilton, and friend, Fay Comeau, a college mate from the School of Mines at Socorro.

Mrs. A. T. Woods and children arrived Tuesday from San Antonio, Texas and Mr. Woods came in yesterday from Dallas. Mrs. Woods brought with her for a holiday visit her sister, Mrs. Gail Richmond, Mr. Richmond and family, who will spend a week or so here.

Why Covered Bridges

It is stated that the chief purpose of covering bridges was to protect the bridges themselves against the weather, and not to serve as a shelter for travelers. This protection added many years to the life of a wooden bridge, at a time when lumber for the roof and sides was cheap.

SINCLAIR INSTALLED AS MASONIC GRAND CHAPLAIN (Delayed)

The following account of the installation of Rev. John P. Sinclair of Artesia, as grand chaplain of the Masonic Grand Lodge of New Mexico, is taken from the Cavern City Chronicle of Carlsbad:

Rev. John P. Sinclair of Artesia was installed as Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of New Mexico, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, last Tuesday night, the occasion being marked by attendance from a far-flung scope of these United States.

Also there was so many Masonic unusualities about it that it is difficult to catalogue them all, yet each was of compelling interest.

Richard M. Thorne was delegated to serve as grand master by Grand Master Victor L. Minter, who is the secretary of Carlsbad Lodge No. 21, and serving as recorder in both of the meetings. Mr. Thorne is one of the senior past grand masters of the state.

The extraordinary communcation was first convened, with the following staff:

Grand Master—R. M. Thorne; Deputy Grand Master—E. A. Hannah, Artesia; Senior Grand Warden—S. I. Roberts, P. M.; Junior Grand Warden—G. S. Westfall, P. M.; Grand Tiler—F. A. Kindel, P. M.; Grand Secretary—V. L. Minter, G. M.; Grand Chaplain—J. P. Sinclair, Artesia; Senior Grand Deacon—Russell G. Knoedler, Artesia, W. M. elect; Grand Marshal—Hugh J. Hall, W. M.; Senior Grand Steward—R. Wallace Thorne; Junior Grand Steward—R. Dean Waite; Grand Tyler—W. G. Brown, P. M.

The ceremony of installation, by Acting Grand Master Thorne was impressive in the extreme, and its solemnity was accentuated by the deep sincerity of the new Chaplain, who is a minister of the gospel at Artesia, and who by the way, is the first Mason to be recognized from Artesia by a grand lodge appointment.

A rather unique slant was also given to the proceedings by the quotation of one of the ancient charges by Mr. Thorne.

Besides the large local attendance the following were registered from other lodges:

E. G. Brenton, Temple, No. 6, Albuquerque; S. R. McKinnon, 1236, Levelland, Texas; George F. Parker, Equity, 878, Chicago; J. A. Goldwin, Bolivar, 195, Bolivar, Missouri; E. Y. Cooley, 40, Clovis; Don I. Gahagan, Golden City 1, Globe, Arizona; W. A. Wunsch, 41, Carrizozo; H. C. Minn, 40, Clovis; John Hamilton, 28, Artesia; Cecil House, 28, Artesia; R. G. Knoedler, 28, Artesia; Boone Barnett, 28, Artesia; Gregg Lazenber, 641 Chambers, Arkansas; Edward Forbes, Toleration, 226, Fremont, Nebraska; M. D. Stephens, Faith, 1558, Wichita Falls, Texas; A. P. Curry, J. P. Bates, C. P. Dunn, E. A. Hannah, J. D. Shearman, all of 28, Artesia; W. L. Blessing, 54, Cottageville, West Virginia; H. Wertheim, 4, Ft. Union, Wagon Mound; J. McMurray, 471, Morris, Morris, Arkansas; Will Robinson, 18, Roswell.

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UND—German Police dogs, male and female, with two puppies. Female has collar also injured leg. Owner may have same by calling at office and paying for this ad. 2-1tc

SOCIAL ITEMS OF INTEREST IN AND AROUND ARTESIA

DANCING PARTY

The Compton young people, Miss Alice, William, Stewart and Kenneth, entertained a number of their friends at a dancing party last Saturday evening. The home was beautifully decorated with greens and the Christmas devices and light refreshments were served. The young people present were the Misses Nelda Wilson, Wilma Robinson, Flint, Alma Pearson, LaRue Ann, Evelyn Kimbrough, Ethelyn Noble, Jeanne Wheatley, Nina Gray, Roma Phillips and Luella Martin. Lawrence Goodell, Harry Woodman, Leon Clayton, Dorris Ransger, Cavitt Jackson, Dick Kimrough, Jimmie Keith, Floyd Rogers, Littlejohn and Dare McLean.

PAST NOBLE GRANDS' CLUB

The club were guests of Mrs. Edgingfield and Miss Marjorie Wingfield last Friday evening at their regular meeting. The meeting was at the home of Mrs. Lewis Story, which was attractively decorated with Christmas greens and a tree. The change of gifts was part of the feature of the evening, which was mostly given over to needlework and darning. Delicious refreshments were served by the hostess.

KINDERGARTEN XMAS PARTY

The kindergarten conducted by Mrs. Mes Christman had a delightful Christmas party on Monday afternoon at which the mothers of the little folks were the guests. There was a beautiful tree and other decorations and the charming exercises of the children, and most important the little folks, presents for all.

CHRISTMAS DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Brainard are entertaining at dinner to-day, Mr. and Mrs. Reed Brainard and children, Peggy and Betty Jo, Mr. and Mrs. Reed Brainard, and Mr. and Mrs. J. Holomon.

CHRISTMAS DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. Harve Muncy have

DRILLING REPORT

EDDY COUNTY

R. D. Compton, Brainard No. 4, 990 feet from the south and east line sec. 5-18-27; Location.

R. D. Compton, Vandagriff No. 1, 2290 feet from the west line and 330 feet south of the north line sec. 33-19-30; Abandoned at 2000 feet.

F. W. Y. Oil Co., State No. 59, NW NE sec. 5-19-28; Drilling below 1850 feet.

Getty Oil Co., Dooley No. 6, 1980 feet from the south line and 660 feet from west line sec. 24-20-29; Completed as producer at 1353 feet. Lockhart & Co., Livingston No. 1, sec. 23-24-29; Drilling below 3300 feet.

LEA COUNTY

Amerada Petroleum Corp., 330 feet south of the north line and 330 feet west of the east line NE sec. 26-18-37; Rigging up.

Atlantic Oil Producing Co., Coleman No. 1, SW corner NE¼ sec. 17-21-36; Drilling below 600 feet.

California Co., Meredith No. 1, 2316 feet from the north line and 330 feet from the east line, sec. 19-21-36; Drilling below 300 feet.

Continental Oil Co., State No. 4-A, 1650 feet from the east line and 2310 feet from the south line, sec. 29-18-38; No report.

Continental Oil Co., A. E. Meyer No. 2, 2310 feet from the north and west lines sec. 17-21-36; No report.

Continental Oil Co., Lockhart No. 1-A, 330 feet from the north and east lines sec. 18-21-36; Drilling below 3300 feet.

Continental Oil Co., State No. 1-E, 1980 feet from the north line and 1980 feet from the west line, sec. 25-18-37; Drilling.

Galt Brown Co., State No. 1, 990 feet from the north line and 330 feet from west line sec. 9-15-35; Shut down for new contract at 5001 feet.

Gypsy Oil Co., State No. 24, 3630 feet from the south line and 2970 feet from the east line of sec. 32-18-38; No report.

Landreth-Maljammar-Texas Unity Co., State No. 1-C, NW NW sec. 6-19-38; Drilling below 3975 feet.

Midwest Refining Co., Turner No. 29, 660 feet from the west line and 660 feet from the south line sec. 34-18-38; No report.

Midwest Refining Co., State No. 1, 2310 feet from the west line and 330 feet from the north line sec. 5-19-38; No report.

Midwest Refining Co., State No. 11, 660 feet from the north and 1980 feet from the west lines NW¼ sec. 9-19-38; No report.

Midwest Refining Co., B. L. Thorpe No. 11, 660 feet from the north and 1980 feet from the west lines NW¼ sec. 10-19-38; No report.

Midwest Refining Co., Terry No. 8, 660 feet from the north and west lines sec. 9-19-38; Set surface casing.

Midwest Refining Co., State No. 11, 1980 feet from the south and west lines sec. 5-19-38; Set surface casing.

National Securities Oil Corp., Thelma Linan No. 1, 990 feet from the south and 2310 feet from the west lines sec. 33-18-37; Fishing at 3860 feet.

Ohio Oil Co., McDonald No. 1, sec. 15-22-36; Shut down at 3904 feet.

Shell Petroleum Corp., Coleman No. 1, 2310 feet from the south and east lines of sec. 17-21-36; Drilling below 3800 feet.

Texas Production Co., McKinley No. 1, NW SW sec. 4-19-38; No report.

The Shell Petroleum Corporation State No. 1-B, NW NW sec. 33-18-38; No report.

Tidal Oil Co., Grimes No. 5, 1650 feet from the north line and 990 feet from the east line sec. 29-18-38; Cemented 7 inch at 3880 feet.

Western-Texas State No. 1, 2310 feet from the north and west lines sec. 17-17-34; Drilling below 4150 feet.

with them at dinner to-day Mr. and Mrs. George Williams and little daughter, Georgie Lee, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Muncy and baby and Mrs. Helen Muncy and small son, Adelbert of Hope.

FAMILY RE-UNION

The Ward family are enjoying a family re-union to-day, all of the children being at home for Christmas. The party at dinner to-day includes besides Mr. and Mrs. Ward, their son, J. S. Ward and family, of Artesia, Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Whitcomb of Dallas, Texas, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Hare of Phoenix, Arizona, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Rehn of Hobbs, Miss Lola and Jack Ward.

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10:00 a. m. Sunday school. 11:00 a. m. morning worship. 6:45 p. m. Christ's Ambassadors. 6:45 p. m. Bible study for adults. 8:00 p. m. evening worship. Tuesday evening, prayer meeting. Friday evening young people's services. Everyone welcome, we invite you to come and worship with us.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY 613 W. Main Street

Sunday services at 11:00 a. m. Wednesday services at 7:30 p. m. Subject for Sunday, December 28, 1930 is: "Christian Science." In this lesson the following scriptural selection is found: "And an highway shall be there, and a way and it shall be called 'the way of holiness.'" Also the following citation from Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures, by Mary Baker Eddy, page 242: "There is but one way to heaven, harmony, and Christ in divine science shows us this way. It is to know no other reality—to have no other consciousness of life, than good, God and His reflection, and to rise superior to the so-called pain and pleasure of the senses." Visitors always welcome.

First Presbyterian Church Fourth and Grand Rev. John P. Sinclair, Pastor Phone 249 Sunday, December 28, 1930. 9:55 a. m. Sabbath school. 11:00 a. m. Morning worship. Sermon subject, "The True Measure of Time," a message for the closing of the year and the opening of the new. Let us deal honestly with time. In his 91st year, Humboldt cried, 'Oh for another hundred year!' Bishop Egelbert said, "Before I go to the great eternal, I shall build a temple and the temple shall be beautiful." The poet said that we "Live in deeds not years, in feelings not in figures on a dial, therefore we should count time by heart throbs."

6:15 p. m. Christian Endeavor, Junior and Senior Endeavor Societies. 7:00 p. m. Popular peoples' service. Music by church orchestra. Anthem by the junior choir. Sermon subject: "The Christmas Story in Art." This will be a study of the religious message of Raphael's

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LOCALS

George Frisch attended at water users convention in Clovis Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Muncy have returned from a visit to her parents at Albuquerque.

Bert Muncy and family are spending Christmas with relatives on the ranch, near Elkins.

Miss Luella Martin drove to Carlsbad yesterday and was accompanied home by her sister.

The small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Williams has been seriously ill this week.

J. S. Sharp drove over to El Paso to-day to see Mrs. Sharp, who is a patient at the Homan sanitarium.

Mrs. Carmen Jackson, spent three days in Clovis last week on business for the Pecos Valley Gas Co.

The Misses Evelyn Dowell and Shirley Hnulik are at home from business college at Amarillo, Texas for the vacation.

George Dixon and family are eating Christmas dinner with Mrs. Dixon's parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. St. John, in Roswell.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Renfro came from Melrose Saturday to spend the holidays with Mrs. Renfro's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Spivey.

Mr. and Mrs. Nevil Muncy and daughter, Florine, are spending to-day with Mrs. Muncy's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Brookshier at Roswell.

Dr. and Mrs. Chester Russell, Miss Dora Russell, who had arrived home from Clovis, and John Hogins, went to Albuquerque yesterday to spend Christmas with the other members of the family, who are at the State University, and who are Chester Russell, Jr., Miss Ruth Russell and Miss Estelle Hogins.

great picture "The Sistine Madonna," which hung in the Dresden Art Gallery. No finer picture portrays Mary and her Holy Child in such a beautiful manner. Come and get the Christmas message from this noble example of sacred art. The sermon will be illustrated. A thought for Christmas day from the poems of Madeleine Sweeney Miller: "It isn't far to Bethlehem town; It's anywhere that Christ comes down And finds in people's friendly face A welcome and abiding place. The road to Bethlehem runs right through The homes of folks like you and me."

NINETEEN EMPLOYEES OF LAND OFFICE TO STAY UNDER HINKLE

SANTA FE — Nineteen of the state land office employees are reported to have been asked by James F. Hinkle, the incoming commissioner to report for work on the morning of January 3. There are thirteen other employees in the office. The new commissioner, it is said, did not say how long he wished the 19 to remain on the job.

SHEPARD GUILTY

KANSAS CITY, Kansas—Major Charles A. Shepard was convicted Monday on a charge of having fatally poisoned his second wife. The jury verdict carried a sentence of life imprisonment, specifying that capital punishment should not be imposed. The jury was given the case at 2:58 p. m. Saturday. The major, a specialist in pulmonary diseases, had been portrayed by

the prosecution as a criminal who, making use of his medical knowledge, had removed an unwanted wife by use of a slow, acting poison which would produce symptoms suggesting natural illness. It had alleged he did this because he was enamored of Miss Grace Brandon, blond senographer at Brooks Field, San Antonio, Texas.

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Dec. 18, 1930

THE STATE WILL HOLD TITLE TO 3,849 ACRES IN THE GETTY POOL

SANTA FE — New Mexico has "found it necessary to take a bold and defiant attitude toward the bureaucrats in the general land office in Washington in order to protect her rights," Dr. Austin D. Crile, land commissioner, said Saturday in replying to a statement by John H. Edwards, assistant secretary of the interior, that New Mexico has assumed such an attitude.

"We have notified the department of interior," Dr. Crile said, "that New Mexico will hold a title to the 3,849 acres of state land in the Getty pool until a competent tribunal of judges instead of department bureaucrats decides the case."

The land in question includes three sections of the Getty oil pool, and all six sections involved are state land. The state has executed oil and gas leases on the Getty sections, but has not received any royalties from them as yet.

Dr. Crile said the department of interior has been trying to take the land away from the state for several years on the ground that an order had been issued withdrawing the acreage for stock driveways. The withdrawal order came after the sections had been surveyed but before the surveys had been approved by the general land office, Charles Barker, state land office attorney said.

CARLSBAD PROJECT CROPS VALUED AT 1,297,378

Crops from the Carlsbad project for the current year were valued at \$1,297,378 averaging \$54.33 an acre for 23,695 acres on 434 farms according to the report of L. E. Foster, superintendent of the project.

Following is a summary of the crops and values: Cotton 19,551 acres, yield 16,963 five hundred pound bales, average 343 pounds per acre, maximum 1,250, minimum 200, per pound \$1.05; total value \$890,557, or \$45.55 per acre.

Alfalfa, 3,583.5, yield 12,891 tons, value ton \$18, total \$232,038 or \$64.75 an acre.

Alfalfa seed, total 178,758 pounds from 376 acres, maximum 480, value \$24,132, or \$50.80 per acre.

Cotton seed, 6,949 tons at \$19, total \$132,031 or \$6.75 per acre.

Other crops, alfalfa, straw, oats, oat-hay, wheat, wheat straw, Indian corn, sorghum, sudan grass, sweet clover, garden products and 170 acres of pasture land.

Why Airplane Ride Cools

Aside from the motion, there is a second reason which makes an airplane ride cool: For every 1,000 feet ascended there is an actual drop of three degrees in temperature.

Why Lobster Turns Red

A lobster turns red when it is boiled because the result of the effect of boiling water on the coloring material in the shell, and is a chemical change.

NOTICE

STATE ENGINEER'S OFFICE
Number of Application, 1474.
Santa Fe, N. M., November 24, 1930.

Notice is hereby given that on the 24th day of November, 1930, in accordance with Section 151-156 of the 1929 compilation of the New Mexico Statutes, Annotated, T. J. Terry, 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 waters licensed to him under Permit No. 1474, diverted from Cottonwood Creek, for irrigation purposes.

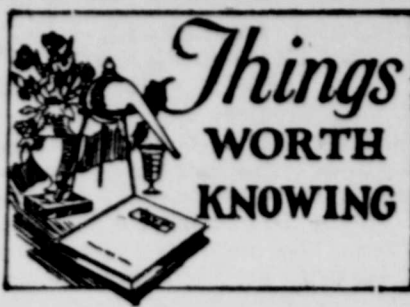
Such change is to be made from the following described lands:

36 acres in the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 13; 11.5 acres in the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 13; 8 acres in the E $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 13, Township 16 South, Range 25 East, N. M. P. M., and 23.6 acres in the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 7, Township 16 South, Range 26 East, N. M. P. M., a total of 79.1 acres.

to the following described lands: 79.1 acres in the N $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 12, Township 16 South, Range 25 East, N. M. P. M.

Any person, firm, association or corporation deeming 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 24th day of January, 1931, the date set for the Engineer to take this application up for final consideration unless protested. In case of a protested application, all parties will be given a 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. YEO,
State Engineer.



Keep fertilizer in a dry place, preferably on a wooden floor above ground level. Fertilizers usually become less "drillable" when stored in the field, in a damp place, or on the ground.

Hand picking in the wintertime is an efficacious way of ridding deciduous shade trees and evergreens of the destructive bagworm, which during the summer has the curious habit of crawling about the tree in its baglike case. Since the insect overwinters in the egg stage within the old bag, it is easy to detect the bugs and destroy them.

The safest time of year to burn brush piles and stumps is in the late fall, in the winter months, or in early spring before the ground litter becomes dry. Even at these seasons, however, there may be danger of fire spreading and getting out of control, and every precaution should be taken to keep the fires in bounds. Brush burning is best done in late afternoon or on a damp or cloudy day.

The bureau of biological survey of the U. S. Department of Agriculture now administers 87 game and bird reservations. Five of these are primarily big-game preserves, one is a muskrat and beaver preserve, and birds are protected on all but one. Among the most important as breeding, feeding, and resting grounds for migratory birds are the upper Mississippi river wild life and fish refuge, the Bear river (Utah) migratory bird refuge and the bird refuges at Big Lake in Arkansas, Malheur and Upper Klamath lakes in Oregon, Tule Lake and Salton Sea in California and Benton lake in Montana. The national program authorized by congress for establishing a system of refuges for migratory game birds will increase the list materially in the next 10 years.

Midwinter or early spring—depending on latitude—is the best time to wage war against the cattle grub. Examine cattle for signs of these grubs, or warbles, in the form of lumps on the skin, especially along the back. If you find them, squeeze them out and destroy them. Don't crush them. Grubs may also be destroyed by the use of the drug Derris, as a wash, ointment, or powder; by pyrethrum ointment; by the injection of benzol or carbon tetrachloride; or by the application of fine tobacco powder or nicotine dust. Get your neighbors to destroy grubs on their herds; so your cattle will not be reinfested. Farmer's bulletin 1596-F, "Cattle Grubs or Heel Flies with suggestions for Their Control, may be obtained by writing to the U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.

BURLINGTON WOULD BUILD FROM PLAINVIEW TO N. M.
During the testimony of the principal witness for the Burlington railroad at the Lubbock hearing the statement was made that the railroads already operating in that territory would build additional lines on the plains country as they are needed. The witness said that it is the plan of the Burlington to build out of Plainview to the west just as soon as conditions will justify the construction of that line.

The Burlington is contesting the application of the Texas and Pacific to build from Big Spring to Vega with branch lines to Lubbock and Amarillo. The proposed road would invade Burlington territory at Lubbock, Dimmitt and Amarillo.—Lubbock Leader.

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LOCALS

Miss Doris Deter is visiting in El Paso this week.

Miss Esther Morgan is at home from Roswell for the holidays.

Miss Margaret Jarvis has gone to Oklahoma to spend the holidays at home.

Miss Margaret Perry is at home from her school at El Paso Gap for the vacation.

Dale Gleghorn and family are spending Christmas with relatives at Coleman Texas.

Mrs. Mary Rawls and nephew, Edwin McCaw, returned Sunday from a short trip to Baird, Texas.

Mrs. Jack Wingfield was here from Pyote, Texas, Monday and Tuesday, guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Mount.

Harold Crozier brought his wife and new baby daughter home from St. Francis hospital in Carlsbad last Friday.

French Gray returned last week from Long Beach, California, where he had been employed the past few months.

Miss Helen Sage is here from Roswell for the holidays with her home folks, her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wilson.

Miss Bertha Richards arrived the last of the week from Tucumcari, where she teaches in the city schools, to spend the holidays with home folks.

Bunyan Bell of Pinon brought Oren George to Artesia Tuesday to have the cast removed from his leg. Mr. George had the misfortune to break his leg several weeks ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Lanning and little daughter, Mary Lou, and Mr. and Mrs. John Lanning and children are spending to-day with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Lanning, in Roswell.

Guy Reed Brainard is at home from the State University at Baton Rouge, Louisiana for the holidays. Also Noble Brainard and wife have come from Indiana to spend the holidays with his parents.



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BULLOCK FAMILY GETS 31st XMAS PRESENT

For thirty-one years, Mrs. Clara M. Trimble of Corbin, Louisiana, has remembered the Bullock family with a Christmas present, either a check or money. During the years that Mrs. Trimble has maintained her holiday custom, she has never seen any member of the Bullock family. It is rather a strange but interesting story how the exchange of greetings started. The first letter Mrs. Bullock ever composed was addressed to her aunt, Mrs. Trimble, and in appreciation of the early effort of Mrs. Bullock, Mrs. Trimble sent the family a present a year after Mr. and Mrs. Bullock were married, a custom she has never missed during the intervening years. Incidentally Mrs. Trimble knows the names and ages of all the Bullock children, notwithstanding the fact that she has never seen Mrs. Bullock or any member of the family.

In a Nutshell

There is one queer thing about a grouch. It'll never get well if you nurse it.

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Lesson for December 28

THE PATTERN OF CHRISTIAN LIVING

TEXT—Let this mind be
which was also in Christ Je-

TOPIC—How Jesus Wants
Us.

SOME EXAMPLES OF
LIVING.

IMMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOP-
ICS FROM THE LIVES OF OTHERS.

FOR PEOPLE AND ADULT TOP-
ICS WITH CHRIST.

Senior and adult classes two
methods of review may be used:

1. The designated character
of the principal persons men-
tioned in the lessons of the quarter;

2. Zacharias and Elisabeth,
Simeon and Anna, Peter,
Zacchaeus, Stephen, Saul,
Timothy. In using this method
the student should be made the week

The second method may be
used in the summary method in
the salient facts should be
followed with the leading teach-

In this case also, assignment
be made a week ahead.

on for October 5.

parents of John the Baptist
noted for their godliness. Zacharias
means "Jehovah hath remem-
bered."

Elisabeth means "covenant
of the Lord."

Every indication is that this
couple wrought together for God.
The Baptist was a great man.
He can be expected of a child born
of parents and brought up in
home.

on for October 12.

chose Mary to receive the
honor ever conferred upon a
being. To fill this place of
meant exposure to suspicion as
much suffering and hardship.

on for October 19.

ability of Simeon and Anna to
the Messiah was due to a
revelation of the indwelling
spirit, not merely because they
were in heart. The grace which
possessed is available to every
one.

on for October 26.

believer experiences a vital con-
flict within. This conflict is
the fact that he was once born
flesh and afterward born of
spirit. Victory over the flesh is
obtained through the power of
dwelling Holy Spirit.

on for November 2.

r through over-weening confi-
dence, even denying his Lord. The
denial was the sifting
by Satan subjected him. Through
the power of Jesus Christ he was
restored.

on for November 9.

is everywhere presented in
scriptures as of a skeptical mind,
was an honest doubter. The
pleased to be put to the test.
next skeptic has ever remained
knave.

on for November 16.

centurion's faith in Christ
healing to a very dear ser-
vant. Genuine faith links man with
eternity.

on for November 23.

oble young ruler failed to get
life because his heart rested
on riches. Christ demands
whole heart.

on for November 30.

haeus did not allow difficulties
to keep him from seeing the Lord.
The light of the Lord moved him to
obedience. This is always true. He
the gentleness of his repent-
ance making restitution.

on for December 7.

then, while called to minister in
imperfections of the church, wit-
ness of Christ in the energy of the
Spirit. He sealed his testimony
with his blood. To those who are
unto death a crown of life
is given.

on for December 14.

light of Jesus Christ trans-
formed Saul, the savage persecutor,
most ardent witness for Christ.

on for December 21.

ough the faith of a godly mother
grandmother, Timothy was nur-
tured for God. Careful home train-
ing rewarded with pious children.

In Communion With God

long as we dare to think that
secular life must be a separate
entity from the spiritual, that
our engagements cannot be ful-
filled in uninterrupted communion
with God, we are living outside
of the purposes of God, contradicting
the very nature of our true nature,
and denying the efficacy of the
gospel of the Jesus.—Prebendary H. W. Webb.

The Faith in God's Elect

their fear, neither danger, neither
temptation, nor backsliding can ut-
terly destroy and quench the faith of
the elect, but that always there re-
mains with them some root and
ground of faith, howbeit in their anguish
they feel nor can discern the
presence of John Knox.

Victory

never sleep in the morning
may mean victory all day.—

CAPITOL SNAPS

(By Mark Vane Collier)

WASHINGTON—President Hoover certainly opened wide the floodgates of accusative criticism in the senate when he gave out a statement implying that congress was trying "to raid the public treasury" with measures calling for appropriations of \$4,500,000,000 more than he had recommended, and that it was "playing politics at the expense of human misery." It may or may not be significant that as soon as the contents of the president's observations became known on the floor, the senate passed without a dissenting vote the drouth-relief bill which carried \$60,000,000, or nearly two and one-half times what the president had advised. Then the fireworks started.

Senator Caraway, democrat, of Arkansas, said it was the president himself who had played politics with misery, because he had minimized the disaster for political reasons and had suppressed "until after election" the true figures of unemployment.

Senator Walsh, democrat, of Massachusetts, was glad the president had now made it clear that "no matter what the need, no matter what the appeal," he did not propose to alleviate it if it meant an increase in taxes. It was almost unbelievable, he said, that "the president of this great nation should be unwilling to open his mind and heart to helpful suggestions."

Senator Harrison, democrat, of Mississippi, said there was "no man in this country who has won more political favor upon miseries of the people than the president of the United States.

As these senators were assailing the president not a voice was raised in his defense from the republican side, not even when Senator Harrison dared any one to stand up and say he approved of the Hoover statement. At last Senator Reed, republican, arose to say a word, but his remarks were hardly helpful to the president's cause. He said he did not consider that the statement amounted to an accusation that the democrats were playing politics; that is reflected just as much on the republican side as on the democratic side, but if it were intended as a criticism of the senate for passing the relief bill, then "I disagree with him."

Toward the end, Senator McKellar, democrat, of Tennessee, asserted that the president owed the senate an apology "for his improper statement," and Senator La Follette, republican, of Wisconsin, introduced a resolution giving it as the sense of the senate that relieving human misery was more important than relieving heavy tax payers. The resolution went over on objection of Senator Reed.

"Hope springs eternal within the human breast," and particularly, it would seem, within the breasts of those in the executive offices of the national republican committee in Washington. A great creative that has been born. The farm belt, as a whole, is cantankerous, shamelessly ungratefully to the party that has for so long a time contracted to supply it with prosperity. So now, thanks to the committee, we are to have an agricultural division, with headquarters in Des Moines, Iowa, once the seat of the corn belt conference. An Iowa, who actually owns a farm and knows a lot about farmers and farm leaders, is to be the head main of the new show. Thru him and the division, organized and ramified, the committee is to get "first-hand knowledge of the situation." The November elections, it appears, were only an imperfect hint.

In view of the rapturous welcome given to farm board Legge and secretary Hyde in Kansas, for example, one is prone to wonder just what a missionary from Iowa expects from the sunflowers, or from Illinois, Ohio, Indiana, Nebraska and the Dakotas. Evidently the chairman of the republican executive committee wants to know the worst. The knowledge must be gathered for the purpose of reclamation; of making the now wide republican desert blossom as the rose. Such a praiseworthy effort is not to be discouraged.

When President Hoover announced that he would submit the World Court protocol to the senate at this session in a special message, he had no doubt been advised to be doubly cautious when he writes the message. He has been told that he will infuriate the irreconcilable if he asks for action during the short session and that the irreconcilable will retaliate by initiating a filibuster which will throw the senate into turmoil, delay the appropriation bills and force a special session.

In these circumstances it has been suggested that the best policy for the president is to write a lukewarm message and to permit the senate to understand that while he asks for prompt and favorable action on the protocol he will be satisfied if the senate takes no action except to bury that official document for another year. Opponents of the World Court will claim victory scored at the expense of the administration. The proponents of a special session will probably waste an enormous amount of time debating the question of whether the protocol should

IRRIGATED FARMING IN EDDY COUNTY SHOWS INCREASE IN 10 YEARS

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The following statement, issued by the director of census, gives some of the results of the 1930 census of irrigation for the state and counties of New Mexico, with comparative data from the 1920 census. The 1930 census figures are preliminary and subject to correction.

County	1929	1919
Bernalillo	15,718	14,536
Catron	1,474	
Chaves	51,702	42,259
Colfax	33,414	66,187
Dona Ana	71,295	52,265
Eddy	52,433	51,353
Grant	6,753	6,987
Guadalupe	3,431	3,206
Hidalgo	3,923	2,840
Lincoln	4,761	6,128
Luna	6,937	11,323
McKinley	5,684	6,919
Mora	45,837	17,833
Otero	5,349	7,556
Rio Arriba	41,249	46,036
Roosevelt	4,823	
Sandoval	20,621	23,214
San Juan	38,696	42,470
San Miguel	25,337	16,565
Santa Fe	13,692	10,582
Sierra	6,411	8,491
Socorro	7,328	11,110
Taos	47,903	59,607
Torrance	477	1,085
Union	706	6,774
Valencia	28,334	19,241
All other	3,432	3,810
Total	551,420	538,377

or should not be reported from the committee and what action the senate ought to take if and when it is reported.

On the other hand, if Mr. Hoover were in the mood for aggressive leadership, he might reassure the more doubtful friends of the World Court in the senate and with their cooperation win a victory which would add immensely to his prestige.

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J. C. PENNEY ISSUES BONUS CHECKS TO 6671 EMPLOYEES YESTERDAY

The annual Christmas bonus fund for employees of the J. C. Penney Co., totals \$536,778.36 for 1930 with 6671 salespeople and other employees benefitting. Distribution of the bonus checks was made at the close of business on December 24th.

The total number of employees benefitted by this bonus is 144 greater than last year when the total recipients of bonus checks totalled 5527.

Bonus checks are based upon duration of service with the company and the annual salary rate of the individual. In all, employees in more than 1450 stores as well as in the New York City and St. Louis district offices received checks on Xmas eve.

All associates sharing in this bonus were in the employ of the company on January 1st, 1930.

Four employees of the local J. C. Penney Co., store participated in the bonuses given by the company this year according to M. G. Schulze manager. Maximum bonuses for length of service went to Mrs. Tex Polk. The woman employee receiving the largest bonus for sales volume was Miss Ethel Olson. Other participants in bonus checks were: Miss Hannah Briscoe and Miss Opal Martin.

BOARD OF CONTROL MEASURES IN HANDS OF AN ATTORNEY

Recommendations of the Board of Control of the artesian basin of the Pecos valley are now in the hands of an attorney and it is understood that the attorney is working out preliminaries connected with drawing up a bill, which will be presented at the next session of the state legislature.

The Board of Control is composed of various water users of the Pecos valley, who seek to conserve the waters of the artesian belt.

You would not think of employing unskilled labor to do the work of a high class salesman—it's just as serious a matter to use only good printing. Try the Advocate, phone 7

MRS. NORMA POWERS PAINFULLY HURT IN AN AUTO ACCIDENT MON.

Mrs. Norma Powers, of Carlsbad, deputy county clerk, received several cuts about the face when she was thrown against the windshield of an auto, near the W. G. Brown, residence in Carlsbad, at noon Monday. Mrs. Powers, who was riding home with Mrs. McFarland, was thrown against the windshield of the McFarland car, when Mrs. McFarland was rounding a corner and watching a can of water, ran into a tree. A dozen stitches were necessary in the forehead of Mrs. Powers, when she was removed to the Eddy county hospital for treatment. One of the cuts particularly deep was between the brow and lash of the right eye. After the wounds were dressed Mrs. Powers was removed to the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Toffelmire.

SHUGART IS HOME FROM SANTA FE

R. A. Shugart, returned home Monday after completing the audit of the state land office. Mr. Shugart's audit was filed with the comptroller Monday evening.

BRINGS CAR OF FINE BULLS

P. Moody, cattle buyer of Wichita, Kansas, has brought to Artesia a car of the finest registered Hereford bulls ever seen in the valley. These bulls from O'Harris, Missouri are coming two years old. He also has a few herd bulls that may be seen at the Bullock feed pens. Mr. Moody has been coming to Artesia for thirty years and is well known to all cowmen of this section. He plans to spend the winter in Artesia. See his announcement in this issue.

CLOTHING FOR THE POOR

Through the compliments of Joyce-Fruit Co., the Chamber of Commerce has received one dozen assorted garments from the Hawk and Buck Co., of Fort Worth, Texas for distribution among the needy of the community. The garments consist of children's coveralls, with exception of one pair of men's overalls. The garments received will be turned over to the Community Chest. If you know of a needy family, call some member of the Community Chest committee and prompt attention will be given.

THE SUPREME COURT HANDS DOWN SIX TAX OPINIONS ON MONDAY

SANTA FE—Six opinions passing on tax questions and one on a plea for rehearing were handed down Monday by the state supreme court. Justice John F. Simms wrote the opinions in the six tax questions which were mostly relative to the necessity of verification of the assessment roll by the county assessor and the period allowed for redemption of property sold at tax sales.

Chief Justice Bickley, with justices Watson and Simms concurring denied a plea for rehearing in the case of the McAdoo Petroleum Corporation the appellee, versus state land office, in which the court heretofore passed on the question of the legality of refunds by the state land office.

The court held that the land office may make refunds out of its suspense fund. However, if an erroneous payment is credited to the common school income or permanent fund of any similar institutional funds it cannot be paid back.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Jernigan and baby daughter, Jeanine of Clovis are spending to-day with Mr. Jernigan's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Jernigan.

Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Spencer left yesterday morning to spend Christmas day with Mrs. Spencer's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Merchant of Captain.

Willard Bradshaw arrived home Tuesday from Oklahoma University at Norman and stopped en route to pick up his grandparents and bring them along for a holiday visit.

Lois Laverne Schnoor accompanied by Miss Ida May Weygant arrived Saturday afternoon for a weeks visit with Miss Schnoor's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Schnoor. Miss Schnoor who is music supervisor in the Keats, Kansas schools, drove through, making the nine hundred mile trip in twenty-four hours.

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LARGE CROWDS HEARS CHRISTMAS MUSICAL PROGRAM SUNDAY EVE

One of the largest crowds to assemble in the Central auditorium, heard the Christmas musical program presented Sunday night. About 650 people enjoyed every number of the program. Much credit is due the sponsors of Sunday evening's entertainment and so successful was the affair that similar programs will likely be presented on special occasions in the future.

All participants of the Christmas program acquitted themselves very creditably and the violin solo of Miss Deter, Chopins Nocturne No. 2, was especially enjoyable.

Birth of Flaming Star; Christmas Poinsettia

THE name Poinsettia comes from Doctor Poinsett of Charleston, S. C., who introduced it into cultivation. The story of its birth as a Christmas flower is not so well known. It is the story of a little Mexican girl, orphaned and alone, coming to the great cathedral on Christmas eve with her meager offering of tall weed stalks, heavy with large yellow seeds, clasped tightly in her poor little half frozen hands.

There were other offerings of great beauty and price laid upon the altar, and the poor little child, alone in a shadowy corner of the great church, prayed that she might be taken to join her mother, father and baby brother who but a short time before had passed on to the other world. She thought if she had only one blossom to offer instead of the weeds her prayer might be answered.

Yet even as she prayed a radiance shone about her and a presence came beckoning her to follow. Rising she followed the presence, even to the altar and placed upon it her offering of weed stalks. The presence looked down upon her and smiled and the child raised her face to his and on her wan little countenance was reflected the same wondrous smile; and as she smiled, about the yellow seeds burst forth leaves of glorious crimson forming a flaming star of wondrous beauty, seemingly imbued with the spirit of fire.

It was thus the Flaming Star, our Christmas poinsettia, was born.—Florence Harris Wells.

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A Practical Christmas; Aunt Jennie's Vanity

"EVERYTHING for Aunt Jennie must be useful," insisted her sister-in-law. "You know how terribly old-fashioned and practical she is."

So Aunt Jennie's Christmas had consisted of a woolen sweater, woolen gloves, good stout woolen hose, a sewing basket, slippers lined with lamb's wool, a little woolen shawl, and knitting needles in assorted sizes.

As the presents were being opened on Christmas morning, however, Aunt Jennie uttered a cry of delight and rushed over and embraced her small nephew Charlie. Unknown to the family, Charlie, more practical than his parents, had given his aged aunt a little brass lip stick, a box of rouge and some powder and a puff.

"You dear, sweet boy! Aunt Jennie was saying, "You dear, sweet boy. And to think, you thought my color so youthful and beautiful it must be artificial at my age. Why, I feel twenty five years younger at such a compliment. And you know, I've never used a cosmetic in my life!"

At dinner that day, if Aunt Jennie didn't look twenty-five years younger she looked at least ten, and the youthful flush of her cheek was a sufficient recompense to Charlie for the mild scolding he had received from his practical mother.—Harold L. Cook.

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Strain on Holiday Purse



Wife—I've spent the five hundred you gave me for Christmas shopping and I haven't a penny left to buy a present for you, dear.
Hubby—Humph! I'll give you a quarter more, then.

BULLDOGS LOSE HARD FIGHT GAME TO ST. MICHAEL'S COLLEGE FIVE

The Artesia Bulldog basketball squad won and lost a contest last week, but in losing Thursday evening's game to St. Michael's College, local fans had opportunity to witness one of the fastest games of the season. Although trailing from the start, the Bulldogs remained within striking distance of victory throughout the game and were never behind more than six points. The horsemen from St. Michael's registered the first basket to have the Bulldogs come right back and tie the count. The Horsemen led at the end of the first half with a count of 10-8. Gates led the scoring for the locals with 10 points to his credit, while Rinelda of the Horsemen amassed 10 points also.

The summary:
Artesia (18) FG FT P
Clarke, rf.1 1 0
Spivey, rf.0 0 1
Burch, lf.0 0 1
Pollard, c. rg.0 0 2
Clarke, c.0 0 0
Gates, rg.4 2 1
Wheatley, rg.1 0 0
Goodale, rg.0 0 0

Totals6 6 6

St. Michael's (24) FG FT P
Perez, lg.3 0 2
Esquele, rg.0 0 2
Rinelda, c.5 0 0
Orneala, lf.0 0 1
Gomez, lf.0 0 1
Merla, rf.1 2 1

Totals11 2 6

The game with Dexter, Friday evening at the Central gym, was an easy victory for the Bulldog squad and the outcome was never in doubt.

The summary:
Artesia (39) FG FT P
Spivey, rf.4 1 0
Keith, rf.0 0 0
Burch, lf.0 0 0
Keith, lf.0 0 0
Clarke, c.6 0 0
Goodale, c.0 0 2
Gates, rg.1 2 1
Champion, rg.0 1 0
Pollard, lg.0 0 0
Wheatley, lg.0 1 0
Juarez, rg.0 1 0

Totals16 7 4

Dexter (11) FG FT P
Reece, lg.2 0 2
Stone, rg.0 0 0
Burr, c.1 0 3
Merchant, rg.0 0 1
Merchant, c.0 0 1
Burr, c.0 0 3
Heinzel, lf.2 1 0
Stone, lf.0 0 0
Jarnigan, rf.0 0 1
McVicker, rf.0 0 0

Totals5 1 11

T. C. Tume former operator of the Artesia hotel coffee shop, has taken over the management of the Crawford hotel coffee shop at Carlsbad according to word from the Cavern City last week.

Riley Lefevers of Arcadia, Texas and H. A. Lefevers of Mart, Texas are visiting their sister, Mrs. P. P. Mann and Mr. Mann and family during the holidays. Mr. Lefevers of Arcadia is principal of the Santa Fe high school of that place.

Woodstock Typewriters for sale at The Advocate.

The conference called by Engineer Herbert Yeo, to new underground water law state closed at Santa Fe afternoon following a discussion of the proposed legislation. The new act will be shortly by State Engineer.

Those present were: Mr. Y. Commissioner Crile, representing Roswell artesian basin; H. Fincke, deputy state treasurer; S. Sayres, president of the artesian valley chamber of commerce; Ernest McCall and H. N. representing the Estancia valley ground water area; Thomas well, secretary and manager of the Portales chamber of commerce; presenting the Portales artesian water area; J. W. Boutz, extension agent; G. D. and George McCann, representing the Mimbres valley water area; Judge E. R. Santa Fe; and E. C. Warfield attorney general.

TO BE SAFE FROM TULARE

The following precautions should be rigidly observed by hunters, ket men, housewives and others handle wild rabbits if they are to be absolutely safe from tulare rabbit fever:

- 1.—Never put your unboiled hands inside a wild rabbit.
 - 2.—Always wear rubber gloves handling wild rabbits.
 - 3.—The rabbit must be thoroughly cooked; so well cooked that is no red meat nor any red near the bone.
 - 4.—As at least 1 per cent wild rabbits are infested, therefore, to be perfectly assured, should not take home a rabbit that he shoots in the field if it seems sickly.
 - 5.—In order to minimize possible infection, rabbits which seem sickly, or can be run down killed with a club, should be and preferably, buried.
- Under the Pennsylvania law, western wild rabbit is also to be sold until it has been in storage at least 30 days. T. Tulare, also is killed at temperature of 137 degrees Fahrenheit. Infection is possible if the skin is unbroken. All are liable to the infection.

UP-TO-DATE EQUIPMENT FOR DR. LOUCKS

Dr. Loucks has recently purchased a large Sherer display case for office of his garage. This is the biggest single unit in the Sherer people and will be able to display all kinds of auto parts.

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