

Artesia Weather
The forecast for Artesia and vicinity is for rain or drizzle Sunday, ending Monday morning. Colder Sunday, High Sunday 43. Low Sunday 37. A little warmer Sunday afternoon.

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INDIA RIOTS SPREADING

National Guard Receives More Rolling Stock

With the receipt of four new trucks last week by Battery "C," the National Guard unit at Artesia, the unit's wheeled vehicles now number 53, with a dollar valuation of one-half million, according to Clifton N. Perkins, commanding officer.

The battery now has 13 six-by-six GMC Hydraulic Drive trucks, four three-quarter-ton weapons carriers, five jeeps, four 3 1/2-ton stake panel trucks, three pick-ups, 14 trailers of assorted sizes, six 40-mm guns, and four M55 quad, 50 calibre machine gun mounts.

In eight years the battery has grown from nothing to become one of the largest units in the United States. The Artesia unit has an annual payroll of \$85,000.

At the present time there are 130 National Guardsmen living in Artesia, 113 of these belonging to Battery "C," and the remainder being attached to the 697th AAA Battalion staff.

The local unit is still accepting enlistments and may be contacted at the National Guard Armory at Fourth and Centre Streets.



OIL WELL FIRE—A fireman plays a stream of water on a drilling rig that was damaged by fire 15 miles east of here Friday night. The rig belongs to the Simms and Reese Oil Co. The fire was believed touched off by sparks from a welder's torch. The drilling crew had put out the blaze by the time firemen arrived at the scene. (Advocate Photo)

Protests Mount Against Nehru Plan To Re-Draw Nation's Map

By B. S. V. RAO
BOMBAY, India (AP)—Rioting erupted anew in Bombay State today and threatened to spread to other parts of the country as protests mounted against Prime Minister Nehru's plan to redraw the map of India.

Angry demonstrators battled police and put the torch to big cotton warehouses in the scarred city of Bombay. Reports of fresh violence came from other parts of the state in the sixth straight day of disorder.

Word of disturbances also came from the States of West Bengal, Orissa and Bihar where demonstrators, apparently aroused by the Bombay riots, began staging their own protests against Nehru's reorganization plans.

The Bombay crisis stemmed from the government's intent to split the state into three parts: The Marathi-speaking south, the Gujarati-speaking north and bilingual Bombay City under federal control.

Nehru's ruling Congress party faces a dilemma over Maratha demands for including of Bombay City in the Marathi-speaking state. About half the city's three million people are Marathas.

Some observers believe the party will lose its long-time stronghold of Bombay unless Nehru yields to the demands.

Nehru's top foreign policy adviser, V. K. Krishna Menon, arrived in Bombay enroute to New Delhi from U. N. headquarters in New York.

Political sources said Menon probably will discuss the situation with Bombay City officials.

Police declared the riot situation was improving in Bombay City. But they had counted two new dead raising the official toll to 51. Some observers said the actual count may be double the official tally.

Authorities said seven persons perished yesterday in classes with police and five others died in hospitals from wounds suffered earlier this week. Police said they were shot while trying to loot shops. Bombay police said they had arrested 1,806 persons in the rioting so far this week.

Most of the action in this city centered around the famed "Cotton Green" area where some 5,000 rioters milled about while the warehouses blazed.

Scattered reports of violence outside the city include:

NASIK—Police fired on a Marathi mob. (Continued On Page Four)

Ike Promises Battle For His Policies

WASHINGTON (AP)—Either as a candidate or as a "worker in the ranks," President Eisenhower has promised to battle "with all my strength" for the policies of his administration.

Despite the uncertainty with which he viewed his role, Eisenhower's promise of support last night cheered more than 60,000 Republicans whose "Salute to Eisenhower" dinners up to \$100 a plate raised an estimated five million dollars for national, state and local GOP campaign purposes.

Responding to demands that he run again, Eisenhower said "my future role remains undetermined, whether to be a candidate for your nomination or a worker in the ranks." But he promised his help in either case.

The President arose smiling and outwardly hale and hearty to return the salute of 53 dinners throughout the country. But tears clouded his eyes as he acknowledged the tribute, saying "The heart is so full that it is indeed dangerous to say more than 'thank you.'"

Eisenhower told 1,700 diners in Washington and about 60,000 more over the country that his decision, when it is reached, will not be a selfish one.

"I could devoutly wish that there were some other method by which the American people could, under the circumstances, point out the path of my true duty," he said. "But it appears that this is a question that first I alone must answer."

The Republicans who cheered his entrance with Mrs. Eisenhower, gowned in purple and carrying American beauty red roses, left no doubt that they would like to help him make an affirmative decision.

Neither did the closed circuit television flashbacks, from Los Angeles to New York, leave any thought that the Republicans saluting his third anniversary in the White House have in mind any other candidate but Eisenhower.

Some of them obviously were cheered by Eisenhower's statement that he hopes his decision when it comes, "will not unduly reflect concern for self."

These party members said they interpreted this as indicated the President will make the race if he finds he has reached what he called at Thursday's White House news conference "a reasonable level." (Continued On Page Four)

Las Vegas Girl Held In Slaying Of Landlord, 65

LAS VEGAS, N. M. (AP)—A 14-year-old girl today was charged with first degree murder in the death of Alfredo Gallegos, 65, here Friday.

Police said they were also questioning a 26-year-old man in connection with the slaying in which Gallegos had his throat cut, was struck numerous times on the head and stabbed repeatedly in the body.

The girl was held in county jail with her mother, arrested on a complaint signed by the victim only a few minutes before he was killed.

Old Town Police Chief Tony Lucero said the girl has given police a signed confession telling of the slaying.

Gallegos' body was found in his blood-smeared room Friday night by his brother Jose.

Lucero said he pieced together this account of pre-slaying activities from statements by the victim and the mother.

The girl and her mother had rented from Gallegos but were evicted by him some time ago. The mother and Gallegos quarreled several times and Friday afternoon, Gallegos signed a complaint charging that the mother had knocked out all the windows in his room. She was arrested. Shortly later, Gallegos was hacked to death and beaten about the head.

The mother was described as between 45 and 50 years of age. She was charged with disorderly conduct.

Shovels, Dirt, Sweat Avert Possibly Serious Well Fire

"Shovels, dirt and sweat" averted a possibly serious oil well fire near here Friday night.

A spark from a welder's torch set a rig ablaze 13 miles east of here and nine men with shovels put it out before the Artesia fire department reached the scene.

One of the owners of the well said only good fortune kept the flames away from three filled tanks. Had the tanks caught fire, he said, the rig would have been demolished and there might have been loss of life or injury among the nine men fighting the flames.

The well belongs to the Simms & Reese Oil Co. It is a completed well which recently was drilled deeper.

The tanks were two of 100-barrel capacity and one of 250 barrels.

After arriving at the scene the city fire department wet down the remaining embers to make certain the flames did not break out a second time.

Civil Defense Unit To Meet Here Tuesday

There is a called meeting of Civil Defense Auxiliary Police for Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. at the Veterans Building, which is to be the new headquarters for the Auxiliary.

The purpose of the meeting is for preparatory work for first aid training and will be under the direction of Chief of Police Frank Powell.

There are at the present 29 members in the Auxiliary and more are needed.

Diver Recovers One Body After Bridge Falls

HEMPSTEAD, Tex. (AP)—A diver recovered from the Brazos River Saturday the body of one of five men missing since a bridge under construction collapsed Friday.

Houston police divers continued their search but other bodies were believed trapped under a 60-ton derrick crane and 120 tons of steel which plunged into the river after a corner of a concrete pier crumbled.

The body of William Bethea, 24, civil engineer from Dallas, was found beneath a steel girder. He was the father of four including a two-week-old son.

Still missing were Johnny Hoff, 25, of Bellville, a state highway engineer; and construction workers W. O. Sethman, 40, of Texarkana; Walter Duncan, 44, of Ennis; and W. D. Boyd, 23 of Buffalo.

Hospitalized with serious injuries were two highway engineers, Roy Evans, 29, and Franklin Susen, 36, both of Bellville.

Receiving minor injuries were construction workers Charles Connell, 30, of Hempstead; R. T. (Continued On Page Four)

Agreement Ratified

MOSCOW, Jan. 21 (AP)—The Soviet government today ratified the Soviet-Austrian agreement on trade and navigation signed in Vienna last Oct. 17.

Carlsbad Man Pleads Innocent To Check Charge

A Carlsbad man, Leo Wall, Saturday pleaded innocent to a fraudulent check charge in justice of the peace court here and a hearing was set for 9 a.m. Tuesday.

Wall was held in city jail here last night in lieu of \$150 bond.

Deputy Sheriff Jesse Sosa and State Patrolman Steve Lindsey arrested Wall at Maljamar Friday afternoon and brought him to Artesia.

Brink-Of-War

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"If anything in our account of the secretary's position caused any misunderstanding among our readers or the public, we heartily regret it," Luce said in a statement issued from his New York office.

At the same time Luce struck out at critics of Dulles and the magazine article. He declared that any fault on the part of Life "was furiously compounded by those who, for the moment, put prejudice or personal advantage above the best interests of the United States."

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Dulles, in reply, has declared his policy is to follow "every honorable course to avoid war," but to be prepared to take a "calculated risk for peace" where moral principles are involved.

Block Of Dimes Nets \$223 From 130 Feet Of Dimes

A Block of Dimes drive in the 300 block West Main Street Saturday afternoon netted the March of Dimes \$223 from 130 feet of dimes.

The drive was sponsored by the Artesia unit of the National Guard on behalf of the March of Dimes campaign.

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BLOCK OF DIMES are laid out on 2x4's by passers-by in the 300 block of West Main Street Saturday afternoon. The "Block of Dimes" was under the sponsorship of the National Guard to aid the March of Dimes campaign. Putting down their dimes are Nellie Dominguez and Mary Garcia. (Advocate Photo)

Even Hardheaded Politicians Believe What They Want To

WASHINGTON (AP)—Even hardheaded politicians have a tendency to believe what they want to believe.

They couldn't ask for a better illustration of that than the case in Washington this week—President Eisenhower's nimble zig-zag around the second term.

In the end, those who hope Eisenhower will step aside seemed convinced that he will. The "again, Ike" pleaders sounded confident.

But, if that seems a little odd, there are some other happenings in the wonderland of the Potomac.

Rep. Simpson (R-Pa.) saluted Eisenhower's balanced budget as a "fiscal sanity." To Sen. Byrd (D-Va.), that same budget meant an "orgy of new spending."

Sen. Morse (D-Ore.) who has fought for thousands of woolen words on such things as saving lamb crop, made a speech that ran only three sentences. Let's get a new secretary of state, Morse suggested, and save the money.

Sen. Douglas (D-Ill.) embarked Friday on a speech he said would last three or four days. Its subject: Natural gas.

Sen. Thyne (R-Minn.) said, right out in public, he doesn't want any gravy for the farmers in the new farm program.

Sen. Green (D-R.I.) let the taxpayers know how much his overseas trip cost them. This is not unprecedented, but is considered awfully bad form in some more or less distinguished circles.

Probably the biggest even of the week were Eisenhower's discussion of his health and a second term, the no-tax-cut budget message and the furor over Secretary of State Dulles' "brink of war" in review.

What Ike said—"I do not feel that I should interpose any objection to the entry of his name in the New Hampshire presidential primary."

But—"Lack of objection cannot be construed as any final decision on my part relative to a candidacy for a second term."

"It would be idle to pretend that" (Continued On Page Four)

United States, China Reach Deadlock Over Formosa War

WASHINGTON (AP)—The United States and Red China have reached a deadlock in their negotiations at Geneva over lifting the ban on arms from Formosa.

It is made clear in a set of comments and a statement on Formosa—Red Chinese talks revealed by the State Department Friday.

The U.S. statement, blaming the Chinese for the breakdown, noted that the differences between the two countries are essentially over possession of the Nationalist-held island, and not primarily over the question of restoring the use of force.

Because of this, the prospects of ending the deadlock appear slim.

The Department officials said, however, that they believe war between Formosa and Communist China can be avoided and the Geneva talks which started Jan. 1 can be kept going.

The American statement avoided the propaganda phrasing and declaration of the Reds in the apparent hope of yet inducing them to make real concessions.

At the same time the United States provided another firm indication that it is in the Formosa to stay.

The statement made these points:

The Communists have said in Geneva talks they are willing to renounce the use of threat or force but they refuse to apply that renunciation on the ground that Formosa "is Chinese territory" and the United States has no right there.

2. Thus, "The Communists so far seem willing to renounce force only if they are first conceded the goals for which they would use force."

3. The United States has "rights and responsibilities" in the Formosa area and has a defense treaty with Nationalist China. Therefore Red China's maneuvers "can only be interpreted as an attempt to induce the United States to agree that if attacked it will forego the right to defend its lawful presence in this area."

State Department officials agreed that as the negotiations row stand the issue is Formosa, Red China's threats to take it and U.S. determination to defend it as a link in its Pacific outposts.

Last Wednesday the Chinese Reds accused the United States of dodging the issue in the Geneva talks. They said "the root of the tension" in the Far East is "U. S. armed occupation of China's territory."

In today's reply, the State Department reminded Red China and the world that 13 American civilians are still held in Red Chinese prisons despite a Communist agreement last September to release them. U. S. officials said the Chinese are holding them as bargaining pawns.

These officials also said that if (Continued On Page Four)

Seven-Foot Pickett Refuses To Speak After Holmes At Meeting

SANTA FE (AP)—Corporation Commissioner Ingram Pickett—piqued because his chosen subject was similar to another one on the program—refused to speak to the 17th annual convention of the New Mexico Motor Carriers Assn. Saturday.

Instead, the seven-foot commissioner admonished officers of the association and his fellow commissioner, James F. Lamb, for not notifying him of the change. "I'm embarrassed," he said.

Pickett said he wanted to talk on "safety," but that Jess Holmes, director of the Traffic Safety Commission was also given that subject.

Speaking of Lamb, he said, "Jim apparently didn't think I knew anything about safety. He ran in this fellow Holmes to speak on the subject but didn't tell me anything about it."

"I went to universities in Michigan and California and studied safety, but evidently Jim doesn't think I know what I'm talking about. That's all right—it's all in the game."

The three-day meeting of the truckers was to wind up Saturday. Election of officers was scheduled to come in the closing session.

Corporation Commission Chairman John Block Jr., praised the trucking industry as a "giant" in another address and urged it to use "human relations" to improve public relations.

Along the same lines, a Santa Fe newspaper editor scolded truckers for not improving relations with the press. Joe Lawler, managing editor of the New Mexican, said the industry has had poor press relations in the past.

"Your activities have to be an open book," he said. "You can't seek the public's support for your program without letting the public know all of the facts, good and bad, pertaining to your organization."

SPORTS

Bull Dogs In Away Game

Bull dogs last night took a beating at the hands of the Eagles, 90 to 45, in a game from home.

Albright Reported Able To Make Olympic Test

Albright, the 20-year-old skater champion from New Bedford, Mass., was examined by a doctor father, who said she probably is able to resume training schedule Tuesday.

Moon Mullins Accepts Post At Marquette

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College Basketball

By The Associated Press
CROSS 96, American Int'l 74
Ky 83, Stens, N.Y. 74
Fla 68, Florida Southern 65
Md. 73, Western 59
State 81, Drake 60
State 73, Washington 71
Baptist 89, East Central 73
U. 88, George Williams 70
N.W. 75, N.W. Okla. 66
Tech 90, Okachita 70
Michael's, N.M. 77, Adams State 73
Southern State, Ark. 76, Henderson 67
State 80, Stanford 50
Okla. 80, Oklahoma City 58
Washington 62, Washington 42
Green 84, Idaho 76

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Steelers Sign Two Players

PITTSBURGH (AP)—The National Football League Pittsburgh Steelers today announced the signing of center Jim Taylor and linebacker Marv Matuszak to 1956 contracts.

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Washington Youth Movement Evident In 39-Man Roster

WASHINGTON (AP)—The attempt to rebuild the Washington Senators with youngsters was much in evidence today with the release of a 39-man 1956 playing roster averaging 26 years in age. The 16-man pitching staff is even younger, averaging only 24. The oldest pitcher is Bob Chakales at 28; the youngest is Pedro Ramos at 20.

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Gary Glick Signs Contract With Pittsburgh

PITTSBURGH (AP)—Gary Glick, an unheralded gridiron jack-of-all-trades who drew national attention after the Pittsburgh Steelers took him on their bonus pick, has signed a 1956 contract with the National Football League club.

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National League's Rookie Group This Spring Expected To Be Best Since End Of World War II

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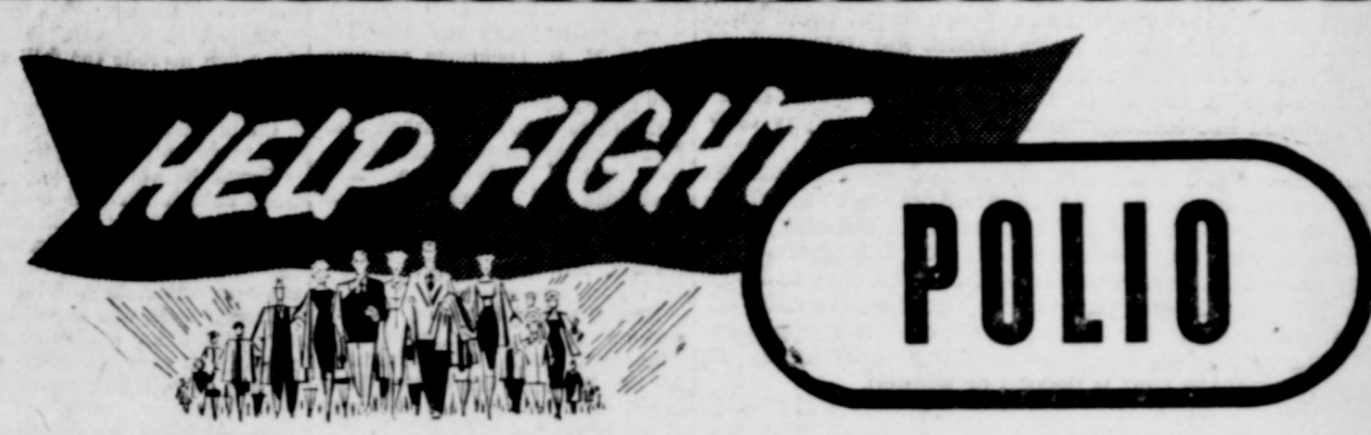
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Remember When...

50 Years Ago
J. T. Coats of Owensboro, Ky., bought 80 acres of watered land from Charles S. Davis, two miles north of town.

M. E. Pardon, recently from Owensboro, Ky., yesterday bought the residence of G. H. Bentley on Richardson avenue.

Mr. W. Pendergrass, the racket store man, has moved to the south side of Main Street.

20 Years Ago
Plans were made for an intensive membership drive between now and Jan. 18 by members of the Clarence Keppie post, American Legion Auxiliary, at the meeting Monday.

Through the holidays, a time when lots of people want to stage some sort of celebration and up to yesterday, Jan. 8, the city jail had been free of an inmate charged with drunkenness.

10 Years Ago
Mrs. N. R. Lochridge announced the engagement and approaching marriage of her daughter, Mary Jo to Clyde Guy, when Miss Elsa Runyan honored the bride-to-be with a lovely coffee. Miss Lochridge will become the bride of Mr. Guy before a large fire-place in the home of Mrs. Glenn Booker, Jan. 20.

Mrs. Glendon Robinson, who is retiring from the Kongenial Kard Klub, was feted Friday afternoon on her birthday when Mrs. Norman Pennell entertained members at her home.

GETTING OLD

MOSCOW (AP)—The newspaper Soviet Trade reports that Igor P. Korovov, a retired army cook, recently celebrated his 155th birthday in a mountain village in the southern Ossetian autonomous region in the central Caucasus. His first job was in the kitchen of a Russian general who fought Napoleon, the paper said.

American-Red Chinese relations at this point shows they are a long way from serious negotiation at a foreign ministers meeting. Nevertheless the statement said the United States "intends to persist in the ways of peace." Ambassadors Alexis Johnson of the United States and Wang Ping-nan of Red China are scheduled to meet at Geneva again Wednesday.

Diver Recovers

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Chalk, 37, of Kaufman; Jesse Ward, 34, of Columbus and Elmer Boyd, 21, of Buffalo; L. E. Bradley, a steel foreman from Jacksonville, and Bruce Walthers, 37, a state highway engineer.

The wives of W. D. Boyd and Sethman were in a hospital for shock.

Richard St. John, senior highway department resident engineer at Bellville, said a full investigation will be made.

"The job has been constantly checked since it began and I have no idea why there should be such a collapse," he said.

"The \$500,000 bridge seven miles south of Hempstead had been building a year and was scheduled for completion by April 1. The 662-foot span was to replace a 50-year-old, one-way bridge between Waller and Austin counties. The site is about 11 miles north of Bellville.

Cannell said "This has been a jinx job all along. We've had three other accidents. It's a miracle no one was killed sometime ago."

Cannell said a dragline flipped, breaking a man's arm; several men nearly lost their lives when water leaked into a caisson used to sink foundations, and that a caterpillar flipped.

Chalk, who dislocated his shoulder when he rode the falling steel down, said Hoff, one of those killed, was "afraid of the job."

Chalk said Hoff "acted scared, too, to go out on the bridge."

Gordie Bethea cried out in brief when he identified the body of his son, a 1952 Texas A&M graduate. The son's cap had been found floating on the river shortly before rescue operations stopped last night.

Rescue work was halted because of rain and for fear steel girders clinging to concrete piers jutting 60 feet above the water might break loose.

Haskel Lowe, Austin Bridge Co. superintendent, said he was making out a time report in a small construction shack "when suddenly there was a great popping and cracking noise."

"I looked out the window and saw a part of one of the concrete piers shear away," he said. "Then the 60-ton crane on top of the span started swaying. The next thing I knew the steel girders began to twist and drop like a slow moving elevator to the river."

Lowe said he saw men falling "in all directions."

The steam derrick crane was being used to move steel beams into place while operating from rail tracks on the 180-foot center section of the bridge. The center section collapsed, the middle area plunging into the water while twisted steel girders remained on top of the concrete piers. The crane was buried beneath steel in the water.

Elmer Boyd, a brother the missing men, said he and his brother were working on the center section when the bridge started to crack and the corner of the pier began to break away.

"The girder on which I was standing started tipping," he said. "I went to the edge of the girder and just cried. Then I jumped."

It was a jump of about 80 feet into water about 12 feet deep. Boyd swam to the bank. Connell and Walthers rode the collapsing structure to the water. Connell held Evans and Susan above water until help arrived.

Ike Promises

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of strength physically. They bolstered this belief by citing the President's assertion that "many tasks still await action."

Significantly, perhaps, the President said that "the present and future are heavy with challenge, rich with opportunity."

Saying that his future role remains undetermined, he said his answer on a possible second term bid "will be forthcoming as quickly as it is firmly fixed in my mind."

Almost without exception the Republican speakers at dinners across the country stressed a "peace and prosperity" theme, to which they added pledges of efforts to raise the income of the farmers.



JUNIOR HIGH DEDICATION CEREMONIES—Held in the gymnasium at the Junior High School Friday night, ceremonies formally dedicating the new school building are shown in the above photo. The Junior High School band is shown playing in the center of the floor. Behind the band is the speaker's platform. Some of the guests who attended the dedication are shown in the foreground. A cap city crowd filled the gymnasium. (Advocate Photo)



VERNON MILLS, superintendent of schools, introduces dignitaries at the dedication of the Junior High School here Friday night. Left to right, Mills, Mrs. Landis Feather, Mrs. C. P. Bunch, Howard Stroup, C. C. Nelson, and Earl Cox, the last four being members of the Artesia School Board. (Advocate Photo)



SPEAKERS AT DEDICATION—Left to right, front row, J. L. Briscoe, Robert Waller of the Church of Christ, Fred Cole, Don Riddle, principal of the Junior High School; Vernon Mills, superintendent of schools; back row, Tom Mayfield, W. E. Kerr, R. L. Paris, J. T. Reed, Mrs. Landis Feather, Mrs. C. P. Bunch, and Howard Stroup. (Staff Photo)

Protests

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Bombay authorities canceled a scheduled appearance here last night of American evangelist Billy Graham. They acted under an emergency measure banning any public gathering of more than five persons.

However, they permitted Graham to meet with 1,500 Indian Christian missionaries in a local auditorium.

Graham who arrived here Tuesday, left by plane early today to begin his south India revival tour in Madras.

Bombay State was still crippled in Bombay State and many telephone and telegraph lines were down.

From East India came reports of other disturbance.

Orissa State was reported hit by a general strike protesting the proposal to annex part of the state to its northern neighbors Bihar and West Bengal.

Even Hardheaded

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my health can be wholly restored to the excellent state in which the doctors believed it to be in mid-September.

"At the same time, my doctors report to me that the progress I am making toward a reasonable level of strength is normal and satisfactory. My future life must be carefully regulated to avoid excessive fatigue."

Thus it appeared that the guessing game will go on and on. Any number can play.

THE BUDGET—For the fiscal year beginning July 1, Eisenhower proposed that the government spend \$65,856,000,000 and count

on taking in \$66,300,000,000. The was provision for a modest program for a tax cut.

Secretary of the Treasury Humphrey said the revenue estimates might be unduly conservative, but that if surpluses of 2 1/2 to 3 billion dollars showed up, he would be for a tax cut.

ISRAEL FIRED ON

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JERUSALEM, Israeli sources Jan. 21 (AP)—Egyptian outposts across the border at Israel forces patrolling their own territory, an Israeli military spokesman charged tonight.

In spite of the growth of synthetic fibers, about 70 per cent of U.S. textile needs are still supplied by cotton.

Many airplane parts are made of compressed glass fibers and manufacturers say their probably will be extended.

Of 83 Michigan counties, two have no lakes.

The Invitations Are Out

THE invitations have been mailed to all of the shoppers and the buyers in Artesia and this county as well as most of the state to send in and receive a large mail order catalog from a large Chicago mail order firm.

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The firm goes to considerable expense to get these catalogs into the hands of the shoppers besides the cost involved in the printing of the catalogs. It appears at times that it would be almost too expensive to have done but you can be sure they would not continue to do it if it did not pay dividends.

The chances are this is merely one of several catalogs which have been mailed out by mail order houses to the shoppers in Artesia. In each case these firms invite business; they seek business; and they undoubtedly enjoy business.

They cannot only buy this merchandise but they can buy it on credit or installment payments. Listed in the catalogs are almost everything in the furniture line; the home appliance line; wearing apparel for all of the members of the family; in fact about everything that is needed or wanted.

There is only one way it can be combatted and that is by the local merchant spending money to invite the local people to trade with him or her; keeping them posted on the merchandise you have to offer for sale; and the prices you offer as well as pointing out that you stand behind your merchandise and see that the customer gets top merchandise and good service.

You may contend you can't do this because the large firm does so much more business but the fact remains you probably do far more business here than they do and you could be doing more if you would fight to help keep this business at home.

Buying and trading at home is something we should all practice for the good of our own community and our own good but some folks are always a little more concerned about prices or about convenience and we all know that mail order buying is convenient.

United States

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the Red Chinese would join in a renunciation of force as applied to Formosa and would release the 13 Americans, this country would be willing to talk about lifting

the trade embargo imposed on Red China during the Korean War.

The Reds-proposed talks about the embargo at Geneva and also about a meeting between Secretary of State Dulles and their foreign minister, Chou En-lai. Officials here said the state of



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Romney Voted President Of Motor Carriers SANTA FE, Jan. 21 (AP)—M. H. Romney, of the Romney Produce Co., Albuquerque, was elected president of the New Mexico Motor Carriers' Assn. today.

association during the past year. He succeeds Carlos Hogue, also of the Duke City.

The Motor Carriers Assn. ended a three-day convention here with the election of officers and a banquet.

Other officers named were J. S. W. Eaves, of Jeffries-Eaves, Inc., Albuquerque, as vice president at large; and Arthur Stern, of Charles Hild Co., Albuquerque, treasurer. Stern is in his 10th year as treasurer.

The 17th annual truckers' convention ended after a day of speeches and business sessions.

Brazil is larger than the continental United States, being about as large as the United States would be if a second state of Texas were added to it.

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Left: THE ARTESIA HIGH SCHOOL BAND — In the foreground is the alto sax section backed up by the bassoon section and the bass clarinet. French horns are over to the left and the trombone section back at the right. At the top right, are the bells and the bass horn section is at top left.
Right:
JUSTIN BRADBURY, in front of flutist, James Halterman, conducts the High School band. Justin came here three years ago from Indiana State Teachers College, where he was director of bands and instructor of brass instruments. He is president of the southeastern district of the New Mexico Music Educators Association and vice president of the state organization.



Right: THE BASS SECTION, left to right, Bill Yeager, John Sperry, Stanley Rogers, and Kent Gwynne. These boys blow up a big wind.



Artesia High School Band

The instrumental program in Artesia schools has 386 students participating. Besides the High School Band, under the direction of Justin Bradbury, there are three bands totalling 200 students at the Junior High School, under Herb Beasley, and 107 strings which started this fall under Johnnie Ware, along with band classes at the elementary schools.



Below: THIRD CLARINET SECTION, left to right, Mary Waller, Marina Paz, and Barbara Seeley. These kids play it sweet.

Right: THE FRENCH HORN SECTION, in part. Left to right, Marian Riley, Tommy Allen and Budd Mulcock. They make music go 'round and 'round.



The High School Band has been a consistent first division winner at the District Festival. Last year they played 62 performances during the school term.

The band plays at all home football games and performs at half-time shows. It plays at home basketball games and other school functions and goes on an annual goodwill tour every spring. Feb. 8-9 and 10, the band, in connection with the chorus, presents the annual Valentine Vanities.

Band officers are Bud McQuay, president; Bill Lewis, vice-president; Terri McGeachy, treasurer; and Abbie Pearson, secretary.

Drum majors are Bud McQuay and Bill Lewis. Majorities in the marching band are Rhea Ellinger, LaRue Bishop and Marian Riley. (All Advocate Photographs)

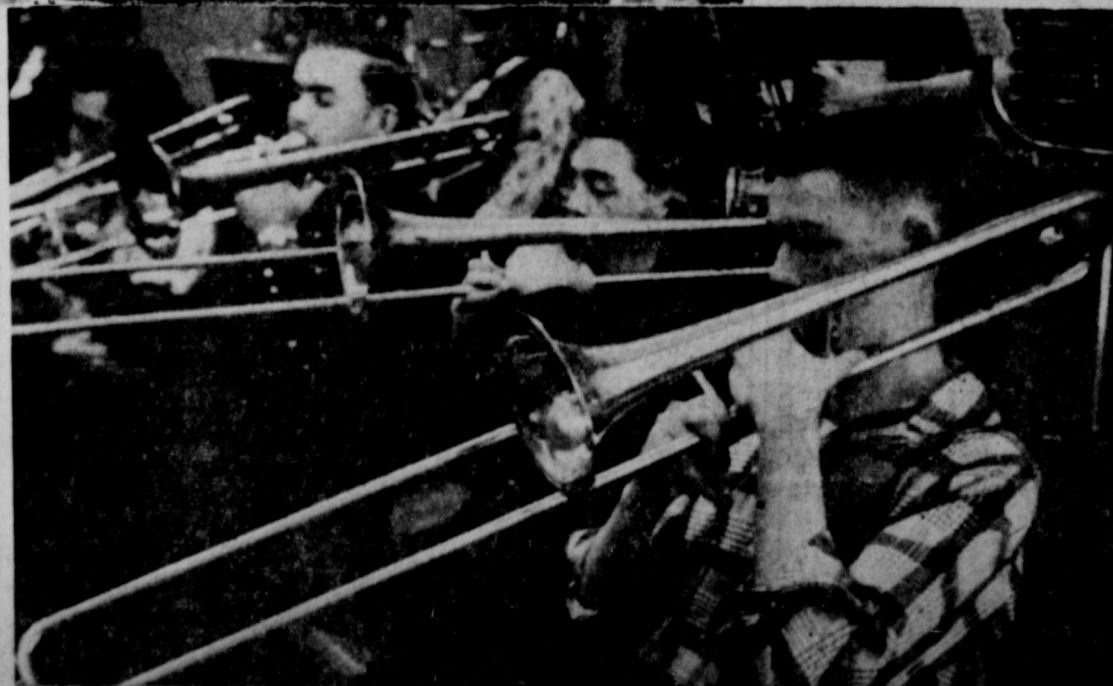
Right: BARITONE SECTION — The lad in the foreground is Tally Murphy. Behind the horns are LaRue Bishop, also a majorette in the marching band; and Charles Shortt.



Below: PART OF THE FLUTE SECTION — Terri McGeachy and Norma Jo Thigpen compose half of the flute section. They play a real sweet flute.



Right: TROMBONE SECTION — Left to right, Eugene Boans, Jimmy Bishop, Mark Stroup and Paul Turner. These lads play it smooth.



Second Above: THE BELLS—Alicia Waller and Alfred Williams on the chimes.

Directly Above: BASSOON SECTION — At the left of the bassoons is Bud McQuay on bass clarinet. Bud is president of the band. Next to him is Nancy Baker on bassoon and Joe Stout in the foreground.

ARTESIA WOMAN'S WORLD

As those know so well, who at one time or another in their lives have been seriously ill, there is no greater comfort or feeling of security than the knowledge that there is present on call one of those gentle, kindly and efficient women in the crisp, white uniforms—a nurse.

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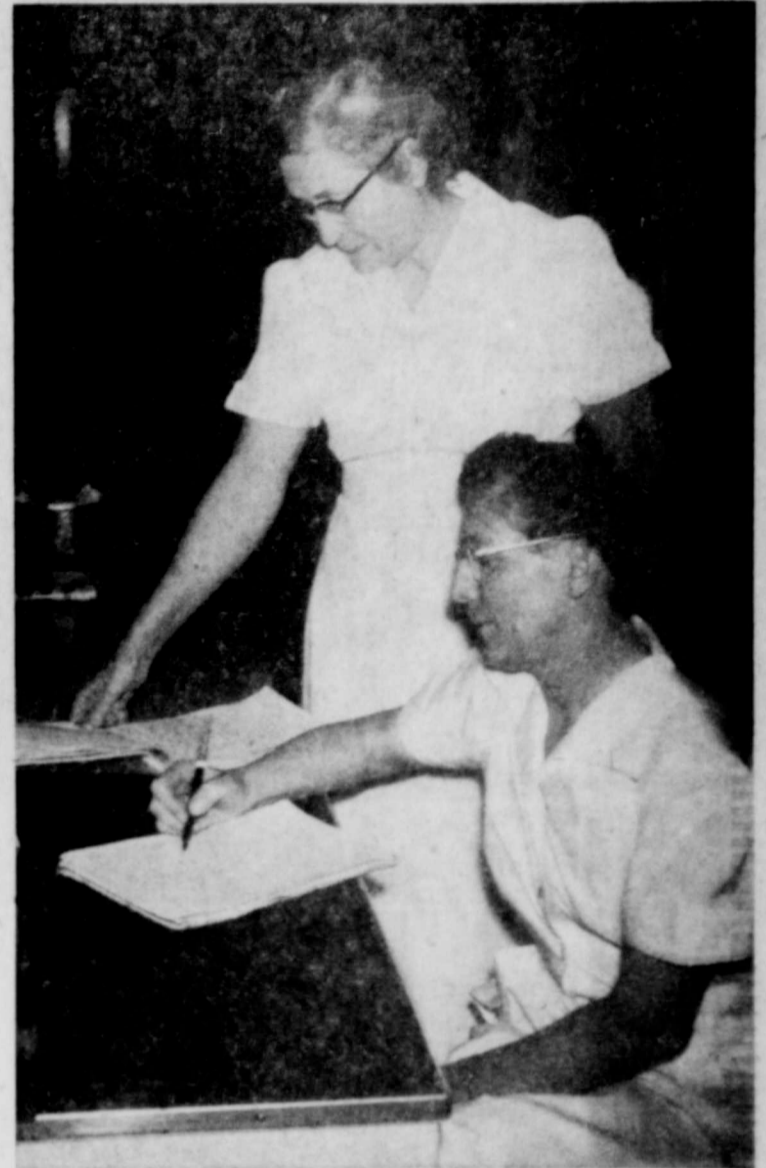
In honor of these women in white we are proud to present on this page a part of the staff of the Artesia General Hospital as they appear at their jobs. (Advocate Photos)



HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL on duty during the day. Left to right, standing, Ralph Lennon, superintendent; Maxine Cavin, bookkeeper; seated, Elizabeth Brocke, bookkeeper; and Ina Cole, admission clerk.



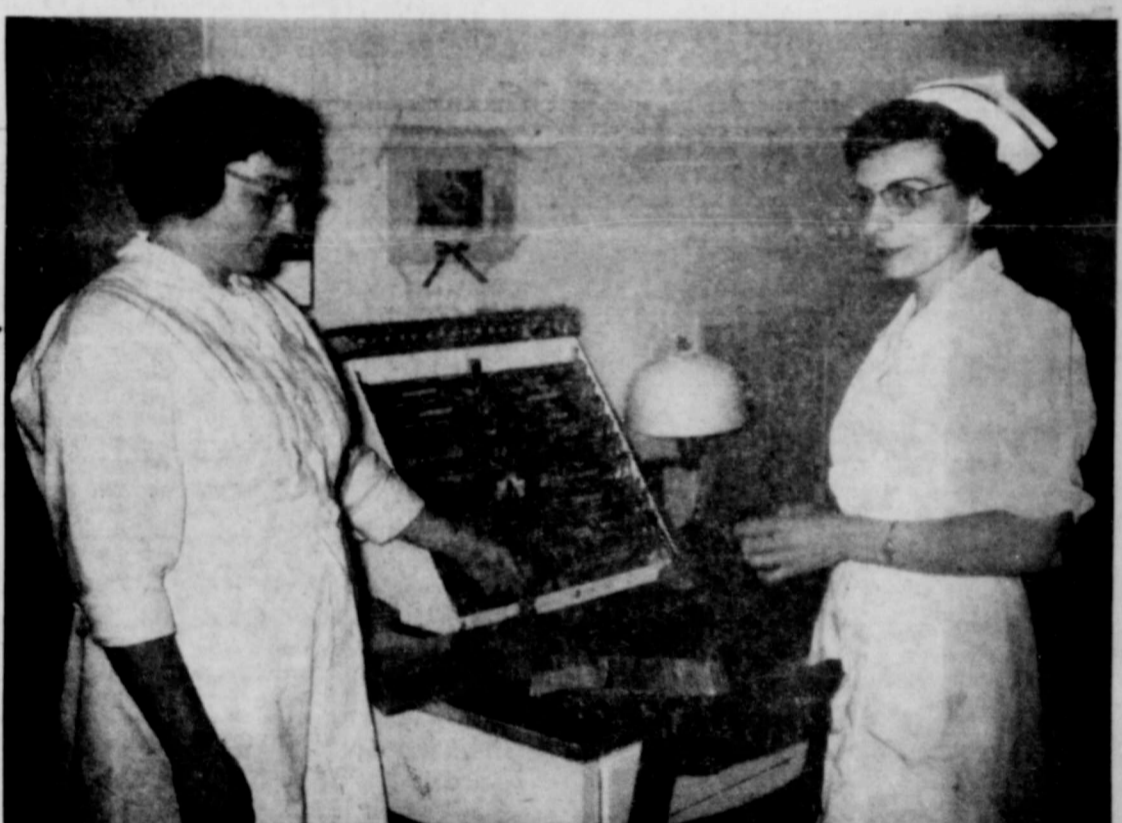
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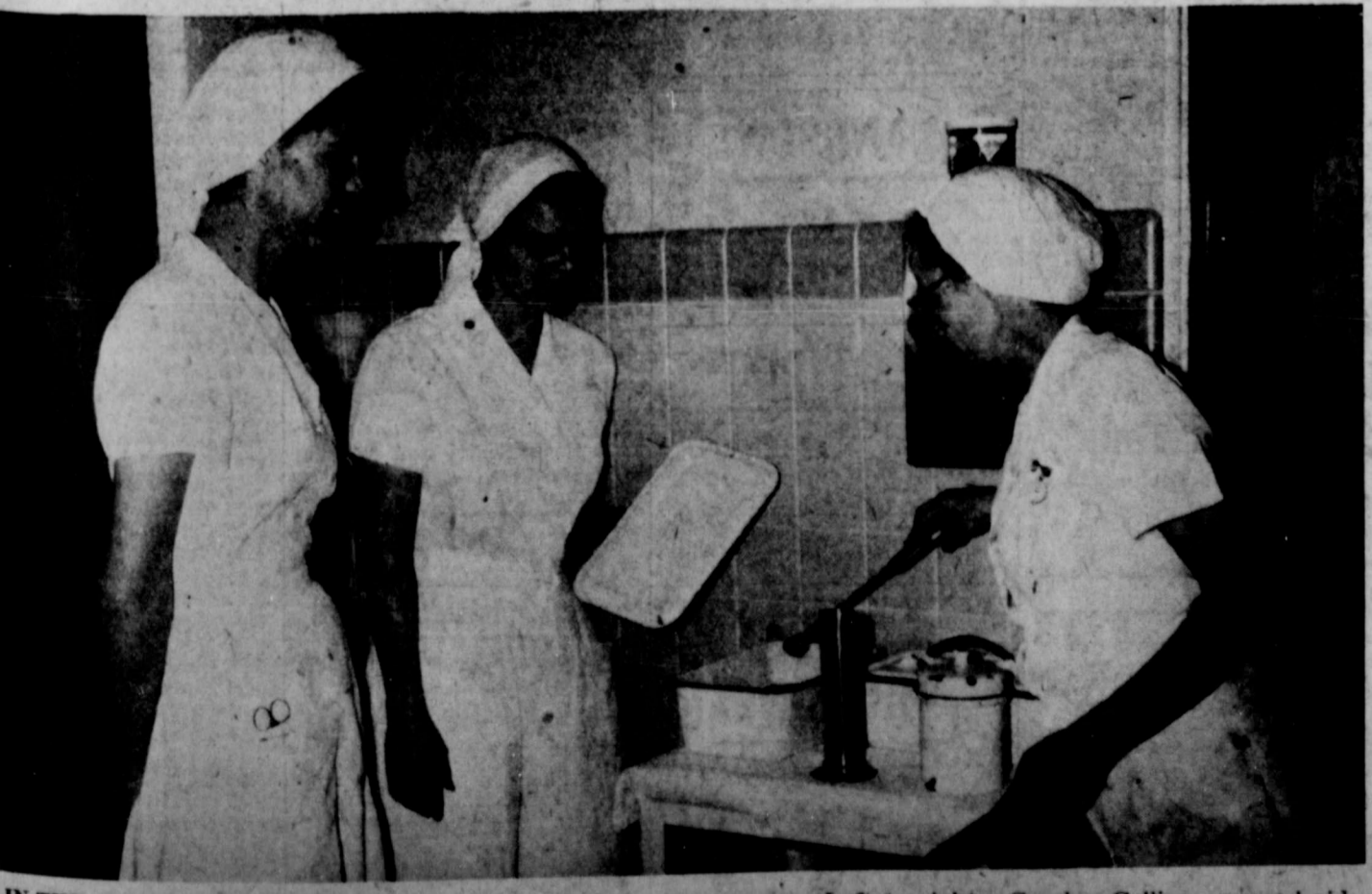
FLOOR NURSES downstairs on this particular shift are Mrs. Andy Sudderth, standing; and Mrs. J.D. Fore, seated.



NURSES ON DUTY on the main floor are Lou Simithson, registered nurse and floor supervisor; Esther Hernandez, nurses' aid; and Fannie Hewitt, a licensed practical nurse.



AT THE NURSES' STATION downstairs are Margie Bradley, practical nurse; and Clarence Cooper, a registered nurse and floor supervisor.



IN THE OPERATING ROOM nurses are preparing for a surgery case. Left to right, Carolyn Collins, nurses' aid; Catherine Troxler, a registered nurse; Eddie Eastham, a licensed practical nurse.



TAKING CARE OF THE NURSERY and obstetrics ward are Jerry Smalley, and Mrs. Grace Santo, nurses' aids, standing; and Cleota Smith, a licensed practical nurse, seated.



Miss Nancy Franklin

(Leone Photo)

Miss Nancy Franklin Honored At Bridal Shower Friday Night

Miss Nancy Franklin, bride-elect, was honored with a bridal shower Friday evening at Fellowship hall.

Hostesses were Mrs. L. J. Long, Mrs. Prince Poe, Mrs. Gayle Richardson, Mrs. Charles Kidd, Mrs. Everett-Crume, Mrs. Bonnie McKinstry, Mrs. Eva Speck, and Mrs. E. A. Hannah.

Miss Franklin was presented a corsage of pink carnations, and her mother, Mrs. Tom Franklin, received a white carnation corsage.

Mrs. E. A. Hannah gave a reading, "Our Wedding." Mrs. L. H. Carder played piano selections during the social hour.

The refreshment table was covered with a white outwork cloth centered with pink and white snags with white wedding bells flanked by white tapers in crystal holders. White cake iced with pink wedding bells, coffee and tea were served.

Mrs. Charles Kidd was in charge

of the guest book, Mrs. Ferd Blessing poured, and Mrs. Gayle Richardson served the cake.

Fifty guests called during the evening and 49 sent gifts that were unable to attend.

Miss Franklin was also honored with a linen shower Wednesday evening in the home of Mrs. Gene Pettit, Roswell, with La Moyne Jerrigan as co-hostess.

The gifts were displayed on a table.

The refreshment table was covered with a lace cloth over blue satin, centered with pink and white carnations and white tapers. Individual cake, iced with wedding bells, coffee, mints and nuts were served.

Mrs. Marvin L. Sanders, of Artesia, sister of the honoree, served the cake, and Ginger Carder of Artesia, poured the coffee.

Others from Artesia attending the shower were Mrs. Tom Franklin, mother of the honoree, Kaye Sue Sanders and Shirley Godsell.

Cottonwood Club Meets At Home Of Mrs. McCaw

Cottonwood Women's Club met Friday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Jack McCaw.

Mrs. Kermit Southard, president presided. Mrs. J. W. McNeil was appointed parliamentarian, while Mrs. Orval Gray and Mrs. Ray Zumwalt were appointed publicity chairmen.

District four meeting is to be held in Artesia April 14 and Mrs. Johnny Bowman and Mrs. Orval Gray were appointed from the club to assist with the planning. Leaders for the year's program were selected.

Mrs. I. P. Johnson, a member, was honored on her birthday by her daughter, Mrs. Jack McCaw, who presented her with a decorated cake.

Cake and coffee were served.

Those present were Mrs. Kermit Southard, Mrs. Ralph Pearson, Mrs. J. W. McNeil, Mrs. I. P. Johnson, Mrs. Bob McCaw, Mrs. Ray Zumwalt, Mrs. Orval Gray, Mrs. James Thigpen, Mrs. Jack McCaw, Mrs. Johnny Bowman, and Mrs. Jesse Funk, and Mrs. Clyde Champion and Mrs. W. R. Nodes, new members, and Mrs. Florence McCaw, a guest.

WCS Methodists Circle Hold Regular Meetings On Thursday

Circle One of the Woman's Society of Christian Service met with Mrs. C. H. Johns, 411 Shelton, Thursday afternoon at 2:30. Mrs. M. G. Goodwin, chairman, presided.

Routine business matters were discussed and the workshop was announced for Jan. 26 with Mrs. Curtis Sharp at 2 p.m. Mrs. Clem Ratliff gave the devotional reading from the Bible and closed with a prayer. Mrs. Goodwin reviewed Chapter eight of the study book "Within Two Worlds" dealing with government.

Mrs. Johns and Mrs. Goodwin served assorted cookies, cold drinks and coffee to Mrs. B. U. O'Neil, Mrs. Robert Yeats, Mrs. J. P. Menefee, Mrs. George Thaman, Mrs. Owen Haynes, Mrs. E. A. Drew, Mrs. Reese Smith, Mrs. Roger Durand, Mrs. Clem Ratliff.

Rev. Mr. McAlester, who presented Wise, Mrs. Ray Fagan and the ed a playlet "New Faces for 1956." Mrs. Thompson was foolish fears; Mrs. Wise, skepticism; Mrs. McAlester, selfishness; Mrs. Fagan the Bible, and the Rev. Mr. McAlester read the scriptures.

Chapter seven of the study book "Within Two Worlds" dealing with health and the Indians was presented by Mrs. F. L. Bays. She told of the U.S. Government health work among the Indians; Dr. Loe's work with trachoma; the special problem among the Navajos; the research project in TB control of New York Hospital—Cornell Medical Center; cooperation of the medicine men; chaplains in hospitals; public health nurses; service to nomadic Indians; historic medical missions; Sage Memorial Hospital; Hospital at Rehoboth, N. M., and the Yakima clinic at White Swan, Washington.

Mrs. Wise outlined chapter eight on government. She brought out the confused and complicated relationship between the Indians and the government; the difficulties after the American Revolution; the bloody wars; reservation system; 1924 the Indians became citizens; the present day worry over termination which may be in the near future; the friction between the old and young Indians as to living methods; education; dress, language, etc. It was pointed out the special obligation of the churches during this transition period will be "understanding, patience and brotherly pride."

Mrs. Thompson, chairman, presided over the short business session. The February meeting will be at the parsonage with Mrs. McAlester and Mrs. Dixon.

The hostess, Mrs. Miller, served a salad plate, coffee and tea to guests, Mrs. B. E. Spencer and Mrs. C. A. Altman, Rev. and Mrs. H. L. McAlester, Mrs. Ray Fagan, Mrs. C. R. Sharp, Mrs. Robert Cole, Mrs. Elmer Jeffers, Mrs. F. L. Bays, Mrs. George Dixon, Mrs. Ed Thompson, Mrs. M. L. Wise, Miss Doris Johnson.

The training circle met at 9:30

Hospital Report

Admissions, Jan. 20—Mrs. Don Johnson, city; Mary Navaretto, 808 Hank, Mrs. J. D. Lattion, 1604 Grand; Jesse Dominguez, Hobbs; Hudson Star, Artesia; Kenneth Hooten, 106 W. Chisum.

Dismissed Jan. 20—Jesus Aguilar, Charley Taylor; Russell Floore.

Births—Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Lattion, twin daughters, 5:30 p.m.—5:56 p.m., 6 pounds 3 ounces, 7 pounds 4 1/2 ounces.

Montreal, Canada, with a million inhabitants is the second largest French-speaking city in the world, says the National Geographic Society.

Circles Of Presbyterian Church Hold Thursday Meets

The three circles of the Woman's Association of the Presbyterian Church met Thursday.

Circle One met in the home of Mrs. Verle Allen with Mrs. Waldo Jackson as co-hostess. Mrs. Jackson is chairman and opened the meeting with a prayer. Mrs. John E. Cochran, Jr., led the circle

a.m. Thursday with Mrs. R. L. Williams, 811 Mann. Mrs. Van Everett was co-hostess. They served doughnuts, coffee and cold drinks to the group.

Mrs. James Tyree presented the program on juvenile delinquency taken from the January Child Guidance magazine.

Mrs. Everett, chairman, presided over the business meeting. A new member, Mrs. Sanders Terry, was welcomed. The next meeting, Feb. 16, will be with Mrs. Johnny Ware and Mrs. Neal Hardin as co-hostesses.

Those present were Mrs. W. C. White, Mrs. James Tyree, Mrs. Van Everett, Mrs. Les Mulcahy, Mrs. John Terpening, Mrs. R. L. Williams, Miss Doris Johnson, Mrs. Gray Thomas, Mrs. Victor Keys, Mrs. Bill Hooten, Mrs. Neal Hardin and Mrs. Sanders Terry.

SOCIAL CALENDAR

- Monday, January 23**
Sunrise Rebekah Lodge Number Nine, meeting in IOOF Hall, 8 p.m.
- Tuesday, January 24**
Order of Eastern Star, meeting and light refreshments, Masonic Temple, 7:30 p.m.
Alpha Nu chapter of E. S. A. home of Mrs. J. H. Ansley, 7:30 p.m.
Alpha Alpha chapter of Beta Sigma Phi, meeting in home of Mrs. Clyde Gilman, 802 Catalina drive, 8 p.m.
- Wednesday, January 25**
Artesia Women's Club study group, study at home of Mrs. L. F. Hamilton, 809 S. Roselawn, 9:30 a.m.
Ladies Golf Club, bridge and luncheon at Artesia Country Club, 1 p.m.
B. P. O. Does, social at Elks, 7:30 p.m.
- Thursday, January 26**
The Women's Society of Christian Service will meet at 2 p.m. with Mrs. Curtis Sharp, north east of town, to evaluate the recent bazaar and make plans for the 1956 one.
Sunshine class of the First Methodist church, Fellowship hall, covered-dish supper and social, 6:45 p.m.
- Friday, January 27**
Cottonwood Garden club, meeting in home of Mrs. Ralph Pearson, 2:30 p.m.

Betty Sue Troublefield Is Installed As Worthy Advisor

In a very impressive ceremony held Saturday at 7:30 p.m. at the Masonic Hall in Hagerman, Betty Sue Troublefield was installed as worthy advisor of the Hagerman Order of Rainbow For Girls, Assembly number 34.

The worthy advisor-elect wore a lovely creation of white net interspersed with silver, fashioned with fitted strapless bodice and ballerina length. Two rows of ruffles trimmed the front of the skirt, while the back of the skirt was covered in ruffles to the hem. Her slippers were white kid with a bow on the toe and her corsage was of red and white carnations tied with silver ribbon.

Jerry Troublefield served as escort for his sister.

The installing officers were: Installing Officer, Peggy Cumpsten; Chaplain, Geneva Ackerman; Marshall, Dot Bledsoe; Recorder, Yvonne Williamson; Musician, Gloria Sims. All wore carnation corsages, a gift of the worthy advisor-elect.

The candlelighters were Linda Richardson and Kathleen West, and Teresa Oglesby and Pat Johnson served as escorts to Ginger Graham who carried the Bible.

The color bearers were Cindy Welborne, who carried the flag of the United States, and Katie Langston, who carried the Rainbow flag.

As the worthy advisor was being installed, Geneva Ackerman sang "He" in dedication to her; and as the chaplain was installed she sang "Just a Whispered Prayer." As she introduced her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles N. Troublefield, Miss Ackerman sang "Dear Parents of Mine" in their honor.

Betty Sue announced that her theme is "Faith, Love and Prayer" on which she based her talk. Her chosen flowers were red and white carnations. Her motto is "I will life up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help. My help cometh from the Lord." Her emblem is the American flag, and her project is to meet the needs of the assembly in any way possible. Her chosen colors are red, white and blue.

The worthy advisor dedicated her term to her very close friends, Byrda Menoud and Mary Alice Cumpsten. Milton Creek sang "My Best To You" in dedication to Mrs. Cumpsten and Mrs. Menoud. They were presented corsages, a gift of the worthy advisor.

Little Alice Marie Winn, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Winn of Dexter, will serve as mascot for the ensuing term. She was dressed in white with red polka dots with a red velvet bolero effect. She presented Betty Sue with an arm bouquet of carnations, a gift from the assembly.

Other officers installed were worthy associate advisor, Sabra Kelley; Charity, Barbara Carter; Hope, Jodelle Freeman; Faith, Phyllis Jumper; Drill Leader, Weedon Kelley; Chaplain, "Mary Shipman"; Recorder, Betty Wafford; Treasurer, Sharla Rae Menefee; Inner Observer, Ginger Graham; Outer Observer, Teresa Oglesby; Choir Director, Leslie Jean Moore; and Musician, Verna Jeanne Greer.

Love, Judy Taylor; Religion, Cindy Welborne; Nature, Loretta Creek; Immortality, Jeanne Bob Hart; Fidelity, Angie Barnett; Patriotism, Doris Ferguson; and Service, Elizabeth Kiper.

The choir, Katie Langston, Jeanette Lee, Kay Hampton, Pat Johnson, Barbara Mayberry, Marilyn Mayberry, Susan White, Barbara White, Sharon Reinking, Viola Sartin, Kathleen West and Linda Richardson.

Peggy Cumpsten, Junior Past Worthy Advisor, made a report of her year's work. She presented with a white Rainbow Bible by the assembly, and a pin by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Raynal Cumpsten. She in turn presented a gift to Mrs. Jeannette Michelet, Mother Advisor, and to Connie Graham who served as her mascot during her term of office.

Immediately following the installation service a reception was held in the reception hall.

The serving table was covered in a lace cloth and centered with a floral arrangement of red and white carnations. A beautifully decorated cake was placed at one end of the table, adorned with the flag of the United States in frosting of Red, White and Blue, and bearing the words "Faith, Love and Prayer" in red letters. Red punch was served from a crystal punch bowl. Dainty napkins with the inscription, "Betty" were used.

Joan Troublefield, sister of the worthy advisor, poured, and Charlene Davis, another sister, served the cake. An assortment of nuts and mints completed the refreshment menu.

The refreshment committee was Jeanne Marie Langenegger, Florence Menefee, Ruby Ackerman, Ed Harshey and Byrda Menoud.

A very large number was in attendance.

Following the installation service of the Rainbow Assembly Kathleen West held a slumber party, at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Donald West.

Guests were Teresa Oglesby, Cindy Welborne, Verna Jeanne Greer, Sharla Rae Menefee, Linda Richardson, Ginger Graham, and the hostess, Kathleen West.



TEACHER APPRECIATION—Eighth grade student Mike McGuire, representing the Junior High School Student Council, presents a corsage to Mrs. Cathryn Hayes, teacher. All women teachers were honored with corsages and men teachers with bouquets during Teacher Appreciation Week. (Advocate Photo)

HAGERMAN NEWS

Mrs. Byron Oglesby

The Hagerman Parent-Teachers Association met Monday at 7:30 p.m. for a regular meeting in the Hagerman School auditorium.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. Jim Langenegger, and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance by the group and the P. T. A. prayer being given by Mrs. Bill Langenegger.

Mrs. J. W. Langenegger, secretary, read the minutes of the previous meeting and Mrs. Bill Knoy, treasurer, made a report.

The business at hand was dispensed with, and a letter of resignation was read from Mrs. Wilson Hart, who was the hospitality chairman, and who is now making her home in Artesia.

It was voted to again sponsor a community birthday calendar for Hagerman, the details to be worked out at later date.

The program for the evening was presented by the third grade students from Mrs. Almareta Wiggins and Mrs. Monteen Cleek's rooms who belong to the Audubon Club, which is a study of birds, and a school activity. Jimmy Ray Routsou served as master of ceremonies as the group presented a most interesting and instructive program, using various pictures of different type birds as a means of illustration. Mrs. Virginia Mical, Hagerman elementary school music instructor, served as pianist.

Valley Zone met Tuesday, January 17 at the Hillcrest Methodist Church of Carlsbad with Mrs. John C. Martens, president, of Roswell, presiding, and Mrs. Lester E. Hinrichsen of Hagerman, zone secretary-treasurer, reading the minutes and making a treasurer's report.

Mrs. Pixler, district promotion secretary, brought up the discussion of the proposed building at Sacramento and it was voted to donate \$75 toward its completion.

Miss Ann Brock, director of religious education, from Lovington, spoke on the Status of Women, and also sang a lovely solo.

Mrs. Reed Brainard of Artesia, zone vice-president, directed the Artesia group in their worship service entitled "New Faces for 1956."

A service of rededication was directed by Mrs. John C. Martens of Roswell entitled "The Light of the World." As a setting, Miss Ann Brock and the Rev. Williams sang a duet entitled "Hope of the World."

Mrs. A. A. McCleskey, wife of the pastor of the Hagerman church, was in charge of the call to worship which was participated in by the women from each church. This portion of the service was brought to a close by a very impressive candle-lighting ceremony.

The principal speaker for the day was Rev. Cecil Williams of Hobbs and Lovington who represented the central jurisdiction. His topic was "The Hope of the World." He also sang "The Holy City."

The meeting was concluded by a communion service with all the ministers participating, including the Rev. A. A. McCleskey of Hagerman, district superintendent, followed with the singing of "It is No Secret, What God Can Do" by the group.

Organists for the day were Mrs.

J. M. Downey, of the Hillcrest Church, in Carlsbad and Mrs. W. Bynum of the First Church, Carlsbad.

A luncheon was held at noon hour in the undercroft of the church at which time the minutes and announcements were made.

Attending from Hagerman were Rev. and Mrs. A. A. McCleskey, Mrs. Lester E. Hinrichsen, Mrs. J. C. Riddley.

Public installation of the Order of Rainbow for Girls will be held at the Masonic Hall in Hagerman Monday at 7:30 p.m. which time Betty Sue Troublefield, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Troublefield, will be installed worthy advisor. The public is invited to attend.

Following the program, the meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting will be held February 20 at which time the Founders Day Tea will be held. On the program for the evening will be two guest speakers from Holland.

A meeting was held following the P. T. A. meeting Monday evening for the purpose of electing officers for the year 1956 for the newly organized Hagerman Recreational Council.

A five member board was elected as follows: Mrs. Louise Brown, chairman, Richard Lang, Donald West, Mrs. Lloyd Kirkpatrick, L. E. Harshey, Jr.

This organization will deal primarily with providing supervised recreation for the youth of Hagerman.

The Women's Society of Christian Service of the Upper Pecos

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10:00 Test Pattern
10:59 Sign On
11:00 American Forum - Panel Discussion
11:30 The Catholic Hour
12:00 Conversation with Distinguished Persons
12:30 Out of the Past
1:00 Sunday Serenade - Musical
1:15 First Church of Christ, Scientist
1:30 Zoo
2:00 White
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4:00 Squads
4:30 Sunday Church
5:30 Lutheran
6:00 Wild Bill
6:25 John
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6:00 Sunday Morning Serenade
6:45 Early Morning Headlines
6:55 News
7:00 Sun-Day Morning Serenade
7:55 News
8:00 Comic Weekly Man
8:30 Baptist Hour
9:00 Frank and Ernest
9:15 Bible Study
Church of Christ
9:30 Church Services
Presbyterian Church
10:00 Wings of Healing
10:30 Bill Cunningham
10:45 Organ Melody
1:00 Church Services
Methodist Church

SUNDAY P. M.
12:00 Kotelanets Presents
12:30 World News
12:45 Broadway in Review
1:00 True or False
1:30 Lombardiana USA
2:00 John Steels
2:30 Broadway
3:00 City Editor
3:30 Family Theater
4:00 Squads
4:30 Sunday Church
5:30 Lutheran
6:00 Wild Bill
6:25 John
6:30 Voice
7:00
7:15

PERSONAL MENTION
Mr. and Mrs. Jack M. Terry of Denver, Colo., visited relatives here last week and his mother, Mrs. Tom Terry, returned home with them for a visit.

Teola Marie Ridgley Married to Bobbie D. Harper Saturday

The marriage of Teola Marie Ridgley and Bobbie Dale Harper was solemnized Jan. 14, at 2:30 p.m. in the First Methodist Church of Hagerman. Rev. A. A. McCleskey presided over the single ring ceremony in the presence of several close friends and relatives.

The bride wore an ice blue gown of pure silk, made street length with long torso style bodice and full skirt. She wore white brocade slippers and her accessories were a rhinestone necklace and rhinestone earrings. The corsage was of gardenias.

Mrs. Susan Boyce served as maid of honor and was attired in a suit of Robin-egg blue. Miss Mary L. Ridgley, of Alamogordo, was a close friend of the bride, and served as bridesmaid.

Immediately following the impressive ceremony, a reception was held in the undercroft of the church.

A beautifully decorated three-tiered wedding cake topped by a miniature bride and groom was cut in traditional fashion by the bride and groom and served from a silver cake platter.

The serving table was covered in a hand-made crocheted cloth made by the bride's mother and used over a yellow cloth. A blue and silver centerpiece graced the table from which punch was poured from a crystal punch bowl. Assorted nuts and mints were also served.

Assisting with the serving were Mrs. J. C. Ridgley and Mrs. Jack Moore. Miss Susan Boyce poured. Out of town guests included Mr. and Mrs. Jack Moore and two daughters, Mrs. Mary Mathis and her daughter, Mrs. Norton, all of Roswell; Mrs. Paul Robinson of Lake Arthur, aunt of the bride, and Mr. and Mrs. Ira L. Ridgley of Alamogordo.



THE ARTESIA SQUARE DANCE CLUB gets in practice for the Southeastern New Mexico Square Dance Jamboree to be held here Jan. 28, starting at 2 p.m. (Advocate Photo)

Hagerman News Briefs

The Belle Bennett Circle of the Methodist Church of Hagerman met for a regular meeting on Jan. 18, at the home of Mrs. R. Menefee at 2:00 p.m.

Lee Roy Rhodes, president, presided over the business session. Mrs. Bobby Williamson, secretary, read the minutes of the previous meeting.

Plans were made for an enchilada supper in cooperation with the members of the Women's Society Christian Service. This supper will be held January 28, with service to begin at 5:30 p.m. Committees were appointed to take care of the advertising, food, decorations, tables, serving, etc. The supper is cordially invited and all are invited to go to the building at 1100 N. Main St. for the WSCS building at 7:30 p.m.

The correspondence was read and a letter of appreciation was given from the Navajo Mission at Hagerman, thanking the Belle Bennett Circle for its contribution to the mission.

Mrs. A. D. Menoud presented the national, "Ten Thousand Dollars Worth of Faith."

Refreshments of steamed carrot and hot lemon sauce and coffee were served to one guest, Vanada Little of Woodson, and the following members: Mrs. Bobby Williamson, Mrs. A. L. Harman, Mrs. Lee Roy Rhodes, Fred Heitman, Mrs. A. D. Menoud, Mrs. Horice Freeman, Lloyd Edgar Harshey, Jr., and hostess, Mrs. Menefee.

Mrs. J. W. Wiggins had an accident this week when a car collided with hers between the Y and Z streets. It caused considerable damage to Mrs. Wiggins' car, a Dodge Royal, but no injury to the occupants of the two cars other than being somewhat shaken.

Henry Jennings of Hagerman returned Tuesday evening from Phoenix, Ariz. where he went last Friday to get his mother who had been visiting there, and who returned to her home in Roswell.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Jennings and their month-old son will leave about the first of the week to make their first in Roswell in the LFD district on the Ragsdale farm. He will work with Orban Waggoner.

Mrs. J. N. Roper, who is representing from a operation St. Mary's Hospital in Roswell being satisfactory. It is believed that she will be able to return to her home in a few days.

The Rev. Harry H. Lubbock, pastor of the First Methodist Church, will be here.

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Bill Southard, Artesia junior, has been named editor of the Chase, student newspaper at Eastern New Mexico University, for spring semester. Joe W. Milner, instructor in journalism, has announced. A veteran, Southard is majoring in journalism with a minor in law. He was graduated from Artesia High School in 1949 and attended Abilene Christian College one semester.

New Mexico Game Department Pilot Ray Bell Often Flushes Human Coveys With State Plane

By STEVE LOWELL

SANTA FE (AP)—The angry buzz grew quickly. Four armed men in the arroyo shifted uneasy eyes up from their hideout.

Suddenly a small plane shot into sight around the curve, its wings barely clearing the arroyo edges. The four dropped their guns, scrambled out of the depression and threw up their hands.

"There's where I got interested in game work," he says. "There was a good little herd of deer there—25 or 30. I went back to North Dakota one winter, and when I got back, some guy had killed off all the deer and canned and shipped the meat to California."

"That was the first time I really woke up to what had told me about the white man being hoghish about depleting game."

To help him get through thin times, Bell competed in rodeos as far as Utah, Arizona and Colorado, even after he went to work for the Soil Conservation Service as a range rider.

"I had to do some good in them," he recalls. "Remember, that was during the depression, I had to."

He recalls particularly one rodeo in 1937 in Springerville, Ariz. He had borrowed the entrance fee and wound up with 35 cents before the rodeo. He took first in bronc riding and second in bulldogging the first day. The second day he took first in bulldogging, after breaking the cow's neck, and second in bronc riding—and came home with \$84.

He started work for the Game Department late in 1937 on a temporary basis, patrolling the Lordsburg-Silver City area.

Early in 1933, he began working for the Indian Service as a range rider. He tells a story of catching a bunch of wild horses. "I got kicked and run over and had a hell of a time. My nose was broken—twisted over on one side. Two weeks later, in Taos, a bull kicked me in the nose. The doctor took an X-ray and told me there was no way in the world he could straighten it better than the bull had. That critter kicked it back into place."

He liked his Indian Service work, he says, but "I couldn't get game out of my mind and asked Elliott Barker for a job." In October, 1941, he was assigned as patrolman and trapper on the Pecos. Then he became district game warden at Santa Fe.

Bell was drafted in early 1943, assigned to the Air Force, and shipped to India. There he took a

final fling at rodeoing.

"It was at a place called Chakula. I saw a big old Brahma bull and told the boys I was going to ride it before I left India."

"But I was warned it wasn't to be bothered—that the natives believed it was a maharajah come back in that form."

"About a month later one of the boys saw the bull grazing in front of the barracks. He said he wanted to see me make my word good. I made a loop out of a clothesline and roped the bull when the boys chased it by."

"That bull went over foxholes, got wound up in softball nets and finally took off for the jungle. I bailed out."

"Somebody reported me, and I got off with a reprimand, but I sure was unpopular with the natives."

Bell, slim, wiry, soft-spoken but with a ready smile, and topped by a thatch of curly brown hair, keeps on having his bits of "zip" as the years go on.

"I guess I was born with a wild hair," he says, "and I never had enough will power to keep it entirely under control."

Two bidders on furniture for the State Revenue Bureau claim information which would have permitted them to bid successfully was withheld.

State Purchasing Agent Charles Horne and Motor Vehicle Commissioner Tony Lucero denied the claim. Horne awarded the contract to Southwestern Stationers, second low with a bid of \$2,896.25, on the basis that firm's furniture required less room.

J. E. Davis, western division manager of Aetna Steel Products Corp., and Kenneth McDonald of Santa Fe Book & Stationery Co. were the ones who complained.

Davis, through New Mexico Office Supply, bid low with \$2,430.53. He claimed bidding was "not competitive" because "we did not have equal opportunity. I'm sure we got a runaround." He said specifications were "written so loosely, there was not enough information."

McDonald said, "We were not able to get proper information from anyone in the Bureau of Revenue or purchasing office on

Both Senators Behind Natural Gas Proposal

By MORRIS CLEAVENGER

WASHINGTON (AP)—Both of New Mexico's senators have come out in support of the Harris-Fulbright Bill to exempt independent natural gas producers from federal controls.

The measure was also backed by the state's two representatives when it passed the House at the last session.

Anderson took the floor of the Senate Jan. 17 to make a lengthy speech in behalf of the legislation. He argued that federal control at the well head has decreased the supply of gas entering into interstate commerce. This, he said, is to the disadvantage of the consumers.

Chavez' in a statement, contended that the natural gas produced in New Mexico, the fourth largest producer of gas for commercial purposes, is a "product" and not a "utility," and that the state should get a "reasonable return" on the product.

Chavez said the state itself has the largest interest in gas producing wells in New Mexico.

"Our gas supply may last by 50 years, if consumption continues to rise to new record levels. To guarantee to another state the economic gain and comfort of one of our precious natural resources for that length of time at a fixed price seems to relegate New Mexico to the status of a harnessed colony," Chavez said.

"I suggest that inasmuch as the Federal Power Commission has committed our natural gas to interstate uses, particularly California, we ought to get a reasonable return on what our product is worth—today, next year, and as long as it lasts."

"Let us not burn ourselves out cheaply. If the cost seems high to industry on the West Coast, I am certain we would gladly welcome them to the source in New Mexico, for their gain and ours."

Anderson told the Senate that this bill now before the Senate is not only desirable but that its passage is absolutely essential for the protection of the consumers of the nation.

Reviewing the record over 18 months federal control of the gas producers was upheld by the Supreme Court, Anderson asked:

"What does the record itself show?"

"1. Federal control at the well head has not decreased the price of gas to the consumer, as we were led to believe it would."

"2. Federal control at the well head has decreased the supply of natural gas entering interstate commerce, as we were told it would do."

"In 1952, five trillion, 300 billion cubic feet of gas was committed to the interstate market. In 1953, the amount reached six trillion, 400 billion. In 1954, the year federal controls were imposed, the commitments fell to only two trillion, 300 billion. Two-thirds less gas went to the interstate market in that one year."

"3. Federal control at the well head has adversely affected the search for new supplies of natural gas, as we were told it would do."

"For the first 11 months of 1955, the industry drilled 7.4 per cent more wells than in 1954. The number of oil wells drilled increased eight per cent, but the number of gas wells declined 8.9 per cent."

"These are facts I find them hard to argue against."

Anderson said that if we stay with the policy of utility control over production "we must do so blindly."

"We must do so in the face of overwhelming evidence that it won't work, that it hasn't worked, and that it is working against the consumer—not for him," he said.

"There isn't even a gamble involved. The policy hasn't worked, and nothing can make it work."



MISS FRANCES FUCHS daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Fuchs, Albuquerque, formerly of Artesia, was installed Saturday as worthy advisor of Assembly Number Twenty, Oderof Rainbow for Girls. Miss Fuchs is a University of New Mexico freshman, majoring in business administration.

REGULATION URGED

ALBUQUERQUE (AP)—William Parrish, professor of business administration at the University of New Mexico, says the Federal Reserve Board should again be given the power to regulate credit buying.

Parrish says retailers are more and more competing with each other in lending of money "until our whole economy is coming to be built on a false foundation."

TRANSFER BILL APPROVED

WASHINGTON (AP)—A House armed services subcommittee has approved a bill to transfer title to Bruns General Hospital and 51 acres of surrounding land from the Army to New Mexico. Rep. Dempsey (D-NM), author of the bill, said Santa Fe gave the land to the government for the erection of a temporary hospital which was abandoned in 1946.

NO COCKNEYS

LONDON (AP)—Cuthbert Ackroyd the lord mayor, says that technically speaking not one London Cockney has been born since 1941. Traditionally, a Cockney is a person born within the sound of the church of St. Mary-le-Bow bells. The bells haven't rung since a German bomb knocked them out nearly 15 years ago—and so far there has been no money to restore the church and bells.

Bidders Claim State Withheld Bid Information

SANTA FE (AP)—Two bidders on furniture for the State Revenue Bureau claim information which would have permitted them to bid successfully was withheld.

State Purchasing Agent Charles Horne and Motor Vehicle Commissioner Tony Lucero denied the claim. Horne awarded the contract to Southwestern Stationers, second low with a bid of \$2,896.25, on the basis that firm's furniture required less room.

J. E. Davis, western division manager of Aetna Steel Products Corp., and Kenneth McDonald of Santa Fe Book & Stationery Co. were the ones who complained.

Davis, through New Mexico Office Supply, bid low with \$2,430.53. He claimed bidding was "not competitive" because "we did not have equal opportunity. I'm sure we got a runaround." He said specifications were "written so loosely, there was not enough information."

McDonald said, "We were not able to get proper information from anyone in the Bureau of Revenue or purchasing office on

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Miss Nancy Franklin Honored At Bridal Shower Friday Night

Miss Nancy Franklin, bride-elect, was honored with a bridal shower Friday evening at Fellowship hall.

Hostesses were Mrs. L. J. Long, Mrs. Prince Poe, Mrs. Gayle Richardson, Mrs. Charles Kidd, Mrs. Everett-Crume, Mrs. Bonnie McKinstry, Mrs. Eva Speck, and Mrs. E. A. Hannah.

Miss Franklin was presented a corsage of pink carnations and her mother, Mrs. Tom Franklin, received a white carnation corsage.

Mrs. E. A. Hannah gave a reading "Our Wedding."

Mrs. L. H. Carder played piano selections during the social hour.

The refreshment table was covered with a white cutwork cloth centered with pink and white snar dragons with white wedding bells flanked by white tapers in crystal holders. White cake iced with pink wedding bells, coffee and tea were served.

Mrs. Charles Kidd was in charge

of the guest book, Mrs. Ferdly Blessing poured, and Mrs. Gayle Richardson served the cake.

Fifty guests called during the evening and 49 sent gifts that were unable to attend.

Miss Franklin was also honored with a linen shower Wednesday evening in the home of Mrs. Gene Pettit, Russell, with La Moyne Jerrigan as co-hostess.

The gifts were displayed on a table.

The refreshment table was covered with a lace cloth over blue satin, centered with pink and white carnations and white tapers. Individual cake, iced with wedding bells, coffee, mints and nuts were served.

Mrs. Marvin L. Sanders, of Artesia, sister of the honoree, served the cake, and Ginger Carder of Artesia, poured the coffee.

Others from Artesia attending the shower were Mrs. Tom Franklin, mother of the honoree, Kay Sue Sanders, and Shirley Godsell.

Cottonwood Club Meets At Home Of Mrs. McCaw

Cottonwood Women's Club met Friday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Jack McCaw.

Mrs. Kermit Southard, president, presided. Mrs. J. W. McNeil was appointed parliamentary while Mrs. Orval Gray and Mrs. Ray Zumwalt were appointed publicity chairmen.

District four meeting is to be held in Artesia April 14 and Mrs. Johnny Bowman and Mrs. Orval Gray were appointed from the club to assist with the planning. Leaders for the year's program were elected.

Mrs. I. P. Johnson, a member, was honored on her birthday by her daughter, Mrs. Jack McCaw, who presented her with a decorated cake.

Cake and coffee were served.

Those present were Mrs. Kermit Southard, Mrs. Ralph Pearson, Mrs. J. W. McNeil, Mrs. I. P. Johnson, Mrs. Bob McCaw, Mrs. Ray Zumwalt, Mrs. Orval Gray, Mrs. James Thigpen, Mrs. Jack McCaw, Mrs. Johnny Bowman, and Mrs. Jesse Funk, and Mrs. Clyde Champion and Mrs. W. R. Nodas, new members, and Mrs. Florence McCaw, a guest.

WCSM Methodist Circles Hold Regular Meetings On Thursday

Circle One of the Woman's Society of Christian Service met with Mrs. C. H. Johns, 411 Shelton, Thursday afternoon at 2:30. Mrs. M. G. Goodwin, chairman, presided.

Routine business matters were discussed and the workshop was announced for Jan. 26 with Mrs. Curtis Sharp at 2 p.m. Mrs. Clem Ratliff gave the devotional reading from the Bible and closed with a prayer. Mrs. Goodwin reviewed Chapter eight of the study book "Within Two Worlds" dealing with "government."

Mrs. Johns and Mrs. Goodwin served assorted cookies, cold drinks and coffee to Mrs. B. U. O'Neil, Mrs. Robert Yeats, Mrs. J. P. Menefee, Mrs. George Therman, Mrs. Owen Haynes, Mrs. E. A. Drew, Mrs. Reese Smith, Mrs. Roger Durand, Mrs. Clem Ratliff.

The Wayne Dougherty, chairman of Circle Two, opened the meeting with the reading of John 14. A short business session was held and Mrs. Reed Brainard reported on the zone meeting held Tuesday in Carlsbad and announced the next one in Hope on July 10. Mrs. Brainard also read the playlet "New Faces for 1956" and gave the worship service. Mrs. Floyd Davis outlined the chapters on health and government from the study book "Within Two Worlds."

Mrs. Orval Gray, hostess at her home on the Cottonwood, served hot speed punch and banana nut sandwiches to the following guests:

Mrs. Tom Runyan, Mrs. J. J. Terry and Mrs. Ralph Pearson; members, Mrs. Floyd Davis, Mrs. Reed Brainard, Mrs. P. V. Morris, Mrs. Wayne Dougherty, Mrs. Ed Stone, Mrs. Jean Stone, Mrs. Earl Cox, Mrs. H. A. Denton, Mrs. George Friseth, Mrs. R. C. Higley, Mrs. Vernon Mills.

Circle Three met at the home of Mrs. J. R. Miller, 1105 Merchant, at 2:30 p.m. The Rev. H. L. McAlester opened the meeting with prayer. Mrs. Miller, program chairman, introduced Mrs. Ed Thompson, Mrs. Curtis Sharp, Mrs. H. L. McAlester, Mrs. M. L.

Rev. Mr. McAlester, who presented Wise, Mrs. Ray Fagan and the ed a playlet "New Faces for 1956." Mrs. Thompson was foolish fears. Mrs. Wise, skeptic; Mrs. McAlester, selfishness; Mrs. Sharp, humdrum thinking; Mrs. Fagan the Bible, and the Rev. Mr. McAlester read the scriptures.

Chapter seven of the study book "Within Two Worlds" dealing with "health and the Indians" was presented by Mrs. F. L. Bays. She told of the U.S. Government health work among the Indians; Dr. Loe's work with trachoma; the special problem among the Navajos; the research project in TB control of New York Hospital - Cornell Medical Center; cooperation of the medicine men; chaplains in hospitals; public health nurses; service to nomadic Indians; historic medical missions; Sage Memorial Hospital; Hospital at Rehoboth, N. M.; and the Yakima clinic at White Swan, Washington.

Mrs. Wise outlined chapter eight on government. She brought out the confused and complicated relationship between the Indians and the government; the difficulties after the American Revolution; the bloody wars; reservation system; 1924 the Indians became citizens; the present day worry over termination which may be in the near future; the friction between the old and young Indians as to living methods; education; dress, language, etc. It was pointed out the special obligation of the churches during this transition period will be "understanding, patience and brotherly pride."

Mrs. Thompson, chairman, presided over the short business session. The February meeting will be at the parsonage with Mrs. McAlester and Mrs. Dixon.

The hostess, Mrs. Miller, served a salad plate, coffee and tea to guests, Mrs. B. E. Spencer and Mrs. C. A. Altman, Rev. and Mrs. H. L. McAlester, Mrs. Ray Fagan, Mrs. C. R. Sharp, Mrs. Robert Cole, Mrs. Elmer Jeffers, Mrs. F. L. Bays, Mrs. George Dixon, Mrs. Ed Thompson, Mrs. M. L. Wise, Miss Doris Johnson.

The training circle met at 9:30

Hospital Report

Admissions, Jan. 20—Mrs. Don Johnson, city; Mary Navaretto, 808 Hank; Mrs. J. D. Lattion, 1604 Grand; Jesse Dominguez, Hobbs; Hudson Star, Artesia; Kenneth Hooten, 106 W. Chisum.

Dismissed Jan. 20—Jesus Aguilar, Charley Taylor; Russell Floore.

Births—Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Lattion, twin daughters, 5:30 p.m.; 5:56 p.m., 6 pounds 3 ounces, 7 pounds 4 1/2 ounces.

Montreal, Canada, with an million inhabitants is the second largest French-speaking city in the world, says the National Geographic Society.

Circles Of Presbyterian Church Hold Thursday Meets

The three circles of the Women's Association of the Presbyterian Church met Thursday.

Circle One met in the home of Mrs. Verle Allen with Mrs. Waldo Jackson as co-hostess. Mrs. Jackson is chairman and opened the meeting with a prayer. Mrs. John E. Cochran, Jr., led the circle.

am. Thursday with Mrs. R. L. Williams, 811 Mann. Mrs. Van Everett was co-hostess. They served doughnuts, coffee and cold drinks to the group.

Mrs. James Tyree presented the program on juvenile delinquency taken from the January Child Guidance magazine.

Mrs. Everett, chairman, presided over the business meeting. A new member, Mrs. Sanders Terry, was welcomed. The next meeting, Feb. 16, will be with Mrs. Johnny Ware and Mrs. Neal Hardin as co-hostesses.

Those present were Mrs. W. C. White, Mrs. James Tyree, Mrs. Van Everett, Mrs. Les Mulcahy, Mrs. John Terpening, Mrs. R. L. Williams, Miss Doris Johnson, Mrs. Gray Thomas, Mrs. Victor Keys, Mrs. Bill Hunter, Mrs. Neal Hardin and Mrs. Sanders Terry.

SOCIAL CALENDAR

- Monday, January 23**
Sunrise Rebekah Lodge Number Nine, meeting in IOOF Hall, 8 p.m.
- Tuesday, January 24**
Order of Eastern Star, meeting and light refreshments, Masonic Temple, 7:30 p.m.
Alpha Nu chapter of E. S. A. home of Mrs. J. H. Ansley, 7:30 p.m.
Alpha Alpha chapter of Beta Sigma Phi, meeting in home of Mrs. Clyde Gilman, 802 Catalina drive, 8 p.m.
- Wednesday, January 25**
Artesia Women's Club study group, study at home of Mrs. L. F. Hamilton, 809 S. Roselawn, 9:30 a.m.
Ladies Golf Club, bridge and luncheon at Artesia Country Club, 1 p.m.
B. P. O. Does, social at Elks, 7:30 p.m.
- Thursday, January 26**
The Women's Society of Christian Service will meet at 2 p.m. with Mrs. Curtis Sharp, north east of town, to evaluate the recent bazaar and make plans for the 1956 one.
Sunshine class of the First Methodist church, Fellowship hall, covered-dish supper and social, 6:45 p.m.
- Friday, January 27**
Cottonwood Garden club, meeting in home of Mrs. Ralph Pearson, 2:30 p.m.

Betty Sue Troublefield Is Installed As Worthy Advisor

In a very impressive ceremony held Saturday at 7:30 p.m. at the Masonic Hall in Hagerman, Betty Sue Troublefield was installed as worthy advisor of the Hagerman Order of Rainbow For Girls, Assembly number 24.

The worthy advisor-elect wore a lovely creation of white net interspersed with silver, fashioned with fitted strapless bodice and ballerina length. Two rows of ruffles trimmed the front of the skirt, while the back of the skirt was covered in ruffles to the hem. Her slippers were white kid with a bow on the toe and her corsage was of red and white carnations tied with silver ribbon.

Jerry Troublefield served as escort for his sister.

The installing officers were: Installing Officer, Peggy Cumpsten; Chaplain, Geneva Ackerman; Marshall, Dot Bledsoe; Recorder, Yvonne Williamson; Musician, Gloria Sims. All wore carnation corsages, a gift of the worthy advisor-elect.

The candlelighters were Linda Richardson and Kathleen West, and Teresa Oglesby and Pat Johnson served as escorts to Ginger Graham who carried the Bible. The color bearers were Cindy Welborne, who carried the flag of the United States, and Katie Langston, who carried the Rainbow flag.

As the worthy advisor was being installed, Geneva Ackerman sang "He" in dedication to her; and as the chaplain was installed she sang "Just a Whispered Prayer." As she introduced her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles N. Troublefield, Miss Ackerman sang "Dear Parents of Mine" in their honor.

Betty Sue announced that her theme is "Faith, Love and Prayer" on which she based her talk. Her chosen flowers were red and white carnations. Her motto is "I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help. My help cometh from the Lord." Her emblem is the American Flag, and her project is to meet the needs of the assembly in any way possible. Her chosen colors are red, white and blue.

The worthy advisor dedicated her term to her very close friends, Byrda Menoud and Mary Alice Cumpsten. Million Creek sang "My Best To You" in dedication to Mrs. Cumpsten and Mrs. Menoud. They were presented corsages, a gift of the worthy advisor.

Little Alice Marie Winn, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Winn of Dexter, will serve as mascot for the ensuing term. She was dressed in white with red polka dots with a red velvetene bolero effect. She presented Betty Sue with an arm bouquet of carnations, a gift from the assembly.

Other officers installed were worthy associate advisor, Sabra Kelley; Charity, Barbara Carter; Hope, Jodelle Freeman; Faith, Phyllis Jumper; Drill Leader, Weedon Kelley; Chaplain, "Mary Shipman"; Recorder, Betty Watford; Treasurer, Sharla Rae Menefee; Inner Observer, Ginger Graham; Outer Observer, Teresa Oglesby; Choir Director, Leslie Jean Moore; and Musician, Verna Jeanne Greer.

Love, Judy Taylor; Religion, Cindy Welborne; Nature, Loretta Creek; Immortality, Jeanne Bob Hart; Fidelity, Angie Barnett; Patriotism, Doris Ferguson; and Service, Elizabeth Kiper.

The choir, Katie Langston, Jeannette Lee, Kay Hampton, Pat Johnson, Barbara Mayberry, Marilyn Mayberry, Sharon White, Barbara White, Sharon Reinking, Viola Sartin, Kathleen West and Linda Richardson.

Peggy Cumpsten, Junior Past Worthy Advisor, made a report of her years' work. She presented with a white Rainbow Bible by the assembly, and a pin by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Raynal Cumpsten. She in turn presented a gift to Mrs. Jeannette Michelet, Mother Advisor, and to Connie Graham who served as her mascot during her term of office.

Immediately following the installation service a reception was held in the reception hall.

The serving table was covered in a lace cloth and centered with a floral arrangement of red and white carnations. A beautifully decorated cake was placed at one end of the table, adorned with the flag of the United States in frosting of Red, White and Blue, and bearing the words "Faith, Love and Prayer" in red letters. Red punch was served from a crystal punch bowl. Dainty napkins with the inscription, "Betty" were used.

Joan Troublefield, sister of the worthy advisor, poured, and Charlene Davis, another sister, served the cake. An assortment of nuts and mints completed the refreshment menu.

The refreshment committee was Jeanne Marie Langenegger, Florence Menefee, Ruby Ackerman, Ed Harshey and Byrda Menoud.

A very large number was in attendance.

Following the installation service of the Rainbow Assembly Kathleen West held a slumber party, at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Donald West.

Guests were Teresa Oglesby, Cindy Welborne, Verna Jeanne Greer, Sharla Rae Menefee, Linda Richardson, Ginger Graham, and the hostess, Kathleen West.



TEACHER APPRECIATION—Eighth grade student Mike McGuire, representing the Junior High School Student Council, presents a corsage to Mrs. Cathryn Hayes, teacher. All women teachers were honored with corsages and men teachers with boutonnieres from the students, during Teacher Appreciation Week. (Advocate Photo)

HAGERMAN NEWS

Mrs. Byron Oglesby

The Hagerman Parent-Teachers Association met Monday at 7:30 p.m. for a regular meeting in the Hagerman School auditorium.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. Jim Langenegger, and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance by the group and the P. T. A. prayer being given by Mrs. Bill Langenegger.

Mrs. J. W. Langenegger, secretary, read the minutes of the previous meeting and Mrs. Bill Knoy, treasurer, made a report.

The business at hand was discussed with, and a letter of resignation was read from Mrs. Wilson Hart, who was the hospitality chairman, and who is now making her home in Artesia.

It was voted to again sponsor a community birthday calendar for Hagerman, the details to be worked out at later date.

The program for the evening was presented by the third grade students from Mrs. Almareta Wiggins and Mrs. Monteine Cleeke's rooms who belong to the Audubon Club, which is a study of birds, and a school activity Jimmy Ray Routsen served as master of ceremonies as the group presented a most interesting and instructive program, using various pictures of different type birds as a means of illustration. Mrs. Virginia Mical, Hagerman elementary school music instructor, served as pianist.

Following the program, the meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting will be held February 20 at which time the Founders Day Tea will be held. On the program for the evening will be two guest speakers from Holland.

A meeting was held following the P. T. A. meeting Monday evening for the purpose of electing officers for the year 1956 for the newly organized Hagerman Recreational Council.

A five member board was elected as follows: Mrs. Louise Brown, chairman, Richard Lang, Donald West, Mrs. Lloyd Kirkpatrick, L. E. Harshey, Jr.

This organization will deal primarily with providing supervised recreation for the youth of Hagerman.

The Womens Society of Christian Service of the Upper Pecos

Valley Zone met Tuesday, January 17 at the Hillcrest Methodist Church of Carlsbad with Mrs. John C. Martens, president, of Roswell, presiding, and Mrs. Lester E. Hinrichsen of Hagerman, zone secretary-treasurer, reading the minutes and making a treasurer's report.

Mrs. Pixler, district promotion secretary, brought up the discussion of the proposed building at Sacramento and it was voted to donate \$75 toward its completion.

Miss Ann Brock, director of religious education, from Lovington, spoke on the Status of Women, and also sang a lovely solo.

Mrs. Reed Brainard of Artesia, zone vice-president, directed the Artesia group in their worship service entitled "New Faces for 1956."

A service of rededication was directed by Mrs. John C. Martens of Roswell entitled "The Light of the World." As a setting, Miss Ann Brock and the Rev. Williams sang a duet entitled "Hope of the World."

Mrs. A. A. McCleskey, wife of the pastor of the Hagerman church, was in charge of the call to worship which was participated in by the women from each church. This portion of the service was brought to a close by a very impressive candle-lighting ceremony.

The principal speaker for the day was Rev. Cecil Williams of Hobbs and Lovington who represented the central jurisdiction. His topic was "The Hope of the World." He also sang "The Holy City."

The meeting was concluded by a communion service with all the ministers participating, including the Rev. A. A. McCleskey of Hagerman and the Rev. Joe B. Scrimshire, district superintendent, followed with the singing of "It is No Secret, What God Can Do" by the group.

Organists for the day were Mrs.

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- 5:59 Sign On
 - 6:00 Sunday Morning Serenade
 - 6:45 Early Morning Headlines
 - 6:55 News
 - 7:00 Sunday Morning Serenade
 - 7:55 News
 - 8:00 Catholic Weekly Mass
 - 8:30 Baptist Hour
 - 9:00 Frank and Ernest
 - 9:15 Bible Study
 - 9:30 Church of Christ
 - 9:30 Church Services
 - 9:30 Presbyterian Church
 - 10:00 Wings of Healing
 - 10:30 Bill Cunningham
 - 10:45 Organ Melody
 - 11:00 Church Services
 - Methodist Church

- SUNDAY P. M.**
- 12:00 Kostelanetz Presents
 - 12:30 World News
 - 12:45 Broadway in Review
 - 1:00 True or False
 - 1:30 Lombardland USA
 - 2:00 John Steele
 - 2:30 Broadway Cop
 - 3:00 City Editor
 - 3:30 Family Theater
 - 4:00 Squadron
 - 4:30 Sunday Classics
 - 5:30 Lutheran Hour
 - 6:00 Wild Bill Hickok
 - 6:25 John Price Commentaries
 - 6:30 Voice of Prophecy
 - 7:00 Walter Winchell
 - 7:15 Tomorrow's Headlines
 - 7:30 How Christian Science
 - 7:45 Bob Considine
 - 8:00 Rin Tin Tin
 - 8:30 Army Hour
 - 9:00 Meet the Classics
 - 9:55 News
 - 10:00 Mostly Music
 - 10:30 Global Frontiers
 - 10:45 Guest Star
 - 11:00 Sign Off

- MONDAY A. M.**
- 5:59 Sign On
 - 6:00 Sunrise News
 - 6:05 Synopocated Clock
 - 6:45 Early Morning Headlines
 - 7:00 Robert Hurleigh
 - 7:15 Bulletin Box
 - 7:35 Local News
 - 7:40 State News Digest
 - 7:45 Button Box
 - 8:00 World News
 - 8:05 Button Box
 - 8:30 News
 - 8:35 Coffee Concert
 - 8:45 Second Spring
 - 9:00 News
 - 9:05 Story Time
 - 9:30 Queen for a Day
 - 10:00 News
 - 10:05 Here's Hollywood
 - 10:10 Instrumentally Yours
 - 10:15 Swap Shop
 - 10:30 Musical Cookbook
 - 10:40 Local News
 - 10:45 Organ Varieties
 - 11:00 Cedric Foster
 - 11:15 Bible Study
 - 11:30 Showcase of Music
 - 11:45 Domestic Doings

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Teola Marie Ridgley Married to Bobbie D. Harper Saturday

The marriage of Teola Marie Ridgley and Bobbie Dale Harper was solemnized January 14, at 2:30 p.m. in the First Methodist Church of Hagerman. Rev. A. A. McCleskey presided over the single ring ceremony in the presence of several close relatives.

The bride wore an ice blue gown of pure silk, made street length with long torso style, long and full skirt. She wore white and silver slippers and her hair was styled in a rhesonstone and rhinestone earrings, corsage was of gardenias.

Miss Susan Boyce served as maid of honor and was attired in a suit of robin-egg blue. Miss L. Ridgley, of Alamogordo, was a close friend of the bride, served as best woman.

Immediately following the impressive ceremony, a reception was held in the undercroft of the church.

A beautifully decorated three-tiered wedding cake topped by a miniature bride and groom was cut in traditional fashion by the bride and groom and served from a silver cake platter.

The serving table was covered in a hand-made crocheted cloth made by the bride's mother, and used over a yellow cloth. A blue and silver centerpiece graced the table from which punch was poured from a crystal punch bowl. Assorted nuts and mints were also served.

Assisting with the serving were Mrs. J. C. Ridgley and Mrs. Jack Moore. Miss Susan Boyce poured. Out of town guests included Mr. and Mrs. Jack Moore and two daughters, Mrs. Mary Mathis and her daughter, Mrs. Norton, all of Roswell; Mrs. Paul Robinson of Lake Arthur, aunt of the bride, and Mr. and Mrs. Ira L. Ridgley of Alamogordo.



THE ARTESIA SQUARE DANCE CLUB gets in practice for the Southeastern New Mexico Square Dance Jamboree to be held here Jan. 28, starting at 2 p.m. (Advocate Photo)

Hagerman News Briefs

The Belle Bennett Circle of the First Methodist Church of Hagerman met for a regular meeting on Saturday 18, at the home of Mrs. R. Menefee at 2:00 p.m.

Lee Roy Rhodes, president, presided over the business session. Mrs. Bobby Williamson, secretary, read the minutes of the previous meeting.

Plans were made for an enrichment supper in cooperation with the Women's Society Christian Service. This supper will be held January 28, with service to begin at 5:30 p.m. Committees were appointed to take care of the advertising, food, decorations, tables, serving, etc. The service is cordially invited and all proceeds will go to the building of the WSCS building at Hagerman.

The correspondence was read and a letter of appreciation was received from the Navajo Mission at Hagerman, thanking the Belle Bennett Circle for its contribution to the mission.

Mr. A. D. Menoud presented the financial report, "Ten Thousand Dollars Worth of Faith."

Refreshments of steamed carrot and hot lemon sauce and were served to one guest, Vanada Little of Woodson, and the following members: Bobby Williamson, Mrs. A. L. Harman, Mrs. Lee Roy Rhodes, Fred Heitman, Mrs. A. D. Menoud, Mrs. Horice Freeman, Lloyd Edgar Harshey, Jr., and hostess, Mrs. Menefee.

Oregon and is a member of the school band, and also a little dance band the school has organized.

Cindy Welborne, Teresa Oglesby Kemper West and Billy Ray Andrews attended the Kool-Kats Klub at the Roswell Women's Club on Thursday evening.

Mrs. Ben Williams of Roswell, mother of Mrs. T. A. Bledsoe of Hagerman, underwent surgery at St. Mary's Hospital in Roswell Wednesday. Mrs. Bledsoe stayed with her Wednesday evening and Thursday and reported that Mrs. Williams is doing satisfactorily. Mrs. Bible of Dexter stayed with the Bledsoe children while Mrs. Bledsoe was with her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Barney Green and daughter Pamela had overnight guests from Albuquerque Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hagest of that city. Mrs. Hagest is Green's sister.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald West went to Boise City, Okla. Tuesday for a visit. They returned Friday.

Mrs. W. C. White of Albuquerque is in Hagerman visiting her son and family. Mr. and Mrs. Alex White and daughters. She has been here a week and plans to remain for a few days longer.

New Mexico Game Department Pilot Ray Bell Often Flushes Human Coveys With State Plane

By STEVE LOWELL

SANTA FE (AP)—The angry buzz grew quickly. Four armed men in the arroyo shifted uneasy eyes up from their hideout.

Suddenly a small plane shot into sight around the curve, its wings barely clearing the arroyo edges. The four dropped their guns, scrambled out of the depression and threw up their hands.

That was how Ray Bell, New Mexico Game Department pilot, flushed a covey of wanted men for a posse hunting them in the Deming area late in 1954.

It was just one of many instances when Bell used special low-flying permission from the Civil Aeronautics Administration for the public benefit.

"They were armed with three rifles and a shotgun," Bell says. "And McCasland (State Police-man C. S. McCasland) and I knew that if the posse came within range, some of the lawmen were going to get shot because all they had were short-range shotguns and pistols."

The comparatively lightly armed posse took the men with no trouble.

of 16.

He later worked as a farm hand and rancher then started trapping for a living in the Quemado area of western New Mexico. He sold his big batch of furs just before the depression knocked the price down to nothing.

Then he worked on ranches and homes' eaded.

"There's where I got interested in game work," he says. "There was a good little herd of deer there—25 or 30 I went back to North Dakota one winter, and when I got back, some guy had killed off all the deer and canned and shipped the meat to California."

"That was the first time I really woke up to what dad told me about the white man being hoggish about depleting game."

To help him get through thin times, Bell competed in rodeos as far off as Utah, Arizona and Colorado, even after he went to work for the Soil Conservation Service as a range rider.

"I had to do some good in them," he recalls. "Remember, that was during the depression I had to."

He recalls particularly one rodeo in 1937 in Springville, Ariz. He had borrowed the entrance fee and wound up with 35 cents before the rodeo. He took first in bronc riding and second in bulldogging the first day. The second day he took first in bulldogging after breaking the cow's neck, and second in bronc riding—and came home with \$84.

He started work for the Game Department late in 1937 on a temporary basis, patrolling the Lordsburg-Silver City area.

Early in 1938, he began working for the Indian Service as a range rider. He tells a story of catching a bunch of wild horses. "I got kicked and run over and had a hell of a time. My nose was broken—twisted over on one side. Two weeks later, in Taos, a bull kicked me in the nose. The doctor took an X-ray and told me there was no way in the world he could straighten it better than the bull had. That critter kicked it back into place."

He liked his Indian Service work, he says, but "I couldn't get game out of my mind and asked Elliott Barker for a job." In October, 1941, he was assigned as patrolman and trapper on the Pecos. Then he became district game warden at Santa Fe.

Bell was drafted in early 1945, assigned to the Air Force, and shipped to India. There he took a

final fling at rodeoing.

"It was at a place called Chakulia. I saw a big old Brahma bull and told the boys I was going to ride it before I left India."

"But I was warned it wasn't to be bothered—that the natives believed it was a maharajah come back in that form."

"About a month later one of the boys saw the bull grazing in front of the barracks. He said he wanted to see me make my word good. I made a loop out of a clothesline and roped the bull when the boys chased it by."

"That bull went over foxholes, got wound up in softball nets and finally took off for the jungle. I bailed out."

"Somebody reported me, and I got off with a reprimand, but I sure was unpopular with the natives."

Bell, slim, wiry, soft-spoken but with a ready smile, and topped with a thatch of curly brown hair, keeps on having his bits of "zip" as the years go on.

"I guess I was born with a wild hair," he says, "and I never had enough will power to keep it entirely under control."

Bidders Claim State Withheld Bid Information

SANTA FE (AP)—Two bidders on furniture for the State Revenue Bureau claim information which would have permitted them to bid successfully was withheld.

State Purchasing Agent Charles Horne and Motor Vehicle Commissioner Tony Lucero denied the claim. Horne awarded the contract to Southwestern Stationers, second low with a bid of \$2,896.25, on the basis that firm's furniture required less room.

J. E. Davis, western division manager of Aetna Steel Products Corp., and Kenneth McDonald of Santa Fe Book & Stationery Co. were the ones who complained.

Davis, through New Mexico Office Supply, bid low with \$2,430.53. He claimed bidding was "not competitive" because "we did not have equal opportunity. I'm sure we got a runaround." He said specifications were "written so loosely there was not enough information."

McDonald said, "We were not able to get proper information from anyone in the Bureau of Revenue or purchasing office on

Both Senators Behind Natural Gas Proposal

By MORRIS CLEAVENGER

WASHINGTON (AP)—Both of New Mexico's senators have come out in support of the Harris-Fulbright Bill to exempt independent natural gas producers from federal controls.

The measure was also backed by the state's two representatives when it passed the House at the last session.

Anderson took the floor of the Senate Jan. 17 to make a lengthy speech in behalf of the legislation. He argued that federal control at the well head has decreased the supply of gas entering into interstate commerce. This, he said, is to the disadvantage of the consumers.

Chavez' in a statement, contended that the natural gas produced in New Mexico, the fourth largest producer of gas for commercial purposes, is a "product" and not a utility, and that the state should get a "reasonable return" on the product.

Chavez said the state itself has the largest interest in gas producing wells in New Mexico.

"Our gas supply may last by 50 years, if consumption continues to rise to new record levels. To guarantee to another state the economic gain and comfort of one of our precious natural resources for that length of time at a fixed price seems to relegate New Mexico to the status of a harassed colony," Chavez said.

"I suggest that inasmuch as the Federal Power Commission has committed our natural gas to interstate uses, particularly California, we ought to get a reasonable return on what our product is worth—today, next year, and as long as it lasts."

"Let us not burn ourselves out cheaply. If the cost seems high to industry on the West Coast, I am certain we would gladly welcome them to the source in New Mexico, for their gain and ours."

Anderson told the Senate that he had come to the conclusion "that this bill now before the Senate is not only desirable but that its passage is absolutely essential for the protection of the consumers of the nation."

Reviewing the record over 18 months federal control of the gas producers was upheld by the Supreme Court, Anderson asked: "What does the record itself



MISS FRANCES FUCHS, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Fuchs, Albuquerque, formerly of Artesia, was installed Saturday as worthy advisor of Assembly Number Twenty, Order of Rainbow for Girls. Miss Fuchs is a University of New Mexico freshman, majoring in business administration.

show?"

"1. Federal control at the well head has not decreased the price of gas to the consumer, as we were led to believe it would."

"2. Federal control at the well head has decreased the supply of natural gas entering interstate commerce, as we were told it would not do."

"In 1952, five trillion, 300 billion cubic feet of gas was committed to the interstate market. In 1953, the amount reached six trillion, 400 billion. In 1954, the year federal controls were imposed, the commitments fell to only two trillion, 300 billion. Two-thirds less gas went to the interstate market in that one year."

"3. Federal control at the well head has adversely affected the search for new supplies of natural gas, as we were told it would not do."

"For the first 11 months of 1955, the industry drilled 7.4 per cent more wells than in 1954. The number of oil wells drilled increased eight per cent, but the number of gas wells declined 8.9 per cent."

"These are facts. I find them hard to argue against."

Anderson said that if we stay with the policy of utility control over production "we must do so blindly."

"We must do so in the face of overwhelming evidence that it won't work, that it hasn't worked, and that it is working against the consumer—not for him," he said. "There isn't even a gamble in

involved. The policy hasn't worked, and nothing can make it work."

REGULATION URGED

ALBUQUERQUE (AP)—Dr. W. L. Parrish, professor of business administration at the University of New Mexico, says the Federal Reserve Board should again be given the power to regulate credit buying. Parrish says retailers are more and more competing with each other in lending of money "until our whole economy is coming to be built on a false foundation."

TRANSFER BILL APPROVED

WASHINGTON (AP)—A House armed services subcommittee has approved a bill to transfer title to Bruns General Hospital and 51 acres of surrounding land from the Army to New Mexico. Rep. Dempsey (D-NM), author of the bill, said Santa Fe gave the land to the government for the erection of a temporary hospital which was abandoned in 1946.

NO COCKNEYS

LONDON (AP)—Cuthbert Ackroyd the lord mayor, says that technically speaking not one London Cockney has been born since 1941. Traditionally, a Cockney is a person born within the sound of the church of St. Mary-le-Bow bells. The bells haven't rung since a German bomb knocked them out nearly 15 years ago—and so far there has been no money to restore the church and bells.



Bill Southard, Artesia junior, has been named editor of the Chase, student newspaper at Eastern New Mexico University, for spring semester. Joe W. Milner, instructor in journalism, has announced. A veteran, Southard is majoring in journalism with a minor in law. He was graduated from Artesia High School in 1949 and attended Abilene Christian College one semester.

Mr. J. W. Wiggins had an accident this week when a car collided with hers between the Y and well. It caused considerable damage to Mrs. Wiggins' car, a Dodge Royal, but no injury to the occupants of the two cars other than being somewhat shaken.

Betty Jennings of Hagerman returned Tuesday evening from Phoenix, Ariz. where he went last Friday to get his mother who had been visiting there, and who returned to her home in Roswell.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Jennings' month-old son will leave about the first of the week to make their first in the Roswell in the LFD district on the Ragsdale farm. He will mix with Urban Waggoner.

Mrs. J. N. Hopkins, who is recuperating from a major operation at St. Mary's Hospital in Roswell, is doing satisfactorily and it is believed that she will be able to return to her home in a few days.

The Rev. Harry Cox of Lubbock, visiting friends in Hagerman vicinity. He is a former pastor of the Presbyterian Church here.

Word received from Ray Turner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Turner, that he has enrolled in school in

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Backstage New Mexico

By the New Mexico Staff of the ASSOCIATED PRESS

New Mexicans continue to rope and ride down high honors in the nation's professional rodeo circuits.

Five cowpokes from the state ranked in final point award world championship standings offered annually by the Rodeo Cowboy Union.

Others hold down important offices in the association.

New Mexicans captured six places in the championship standings figured at the close of 1935. Included were three third places, two fourth places, one seventh place—and one New Mexico cowboy who registers out of Arizona, who captured a sixth place.

This is high honor in the arena of professional rodeoing. For every dollar a man earns in the professional field, he gets one point toward a world championship. It is no small honor to wind up third, fourth or seventh in the field of all those competing in approved rodeos all over the nation.

The third place winners included Harley May of Deming, in the steer wrestling division with 10,780 points; Fred Darnell of Rodeo in team roping with 4,804 points or dollars and Troy Fort of Lovington in steer roping with 1,853 points, or dollars. B. J. Pierce of Clovis took fourth in calf roping—one of the toughest competitive divisions in the rodeo field—with 9,602 points. And Homer Pettigrew, formerly of Grady—north of Clovis—but who now registers from Chandler, Ariz., won sixth place in steer wrestling with 8,733 points.

The points represented in the New Mexico winners doesn't necessarily mean this is all they earned in the rough-and-tough field of rodeo performance during the past year. Many of them enter in two or more events. Even though they may not show up in the championship standings—because only the top ten in each division are listed—they may have earned considerable more dollars and points than what is shown above.

In other words, the professional field of being a good cowpoke can be lucrative. Casey Tibbs of Ft. Pierre, S. D., the world's champion all-around cowboy in 1935, wound up with a total earning of \$42,065.

In addition to the money earned, a number of New Mexicans figure highly in the conduct of policies and affairs for the association.

For instance, Paul Bond of Carlsbad is the contract business director for the association for the 1935-1936 term.

The contract business means those who do the trick roping and fancy riding acts for the rodeos. Bond, a Carlsbad bootmaker, represents all of them on the board

of directors of the association. He is a contract performer himself and a former rodeo star.

Harley May of Deming is the director for steer wrestling. He was first elected to the board of directors in 1933. He is recognized as an all-around cowboy and a one-time world champion in steer wrestling in 1932.

Fred Darnell of Rodeo is the 1935-1936 team roping director for the organization—an oldtimer in the professional rodeo business. A New Mexico rancher who runs cattle on 54 sections, he nowadays calls Arizona home, but can't cut the New Mexico ties.

Many of the other high-sounding names in the nation's world of professional rodeo performers have New Mexico connections. Many came from this state originally. Others got their start here in what has become the nation's favorite outdoor sport of the West.

Joe del Frate, manager of a Gallup motel, tells of his strange family tale: His brother

was taken prisoner by the Japs at the fall of Bataan in World War II. One of the first prisoners liberated came back to his New Mexico home and met Joe. "He told me my brother, Adriano, was dead. But it didn't hit me in the heart. Finally a telegram arrived, many months later. He was alive! I knew."

EVER NOTICE the jimmyming a central air conditioning thermostat in an office building gets—how often people decide it's too hot or too cold and change the gadget to fit their feelings? That was going on in a building at an Albuquerque military installation. The central heating plant was on and off like Finnegan. Finally the outfit that installed the system got fed up with hurry calls to get the system back in kilter. It installed a dummy thermostat. Everyone was happy. The temperature stayed the same. The unwitting pleasure of turning the heat up or down to their hearts' content.

A Santa Fe archer, Harvey May, estimates his bow, which takes a pull of 57 pounds to draw an arrow back 28 inches, may have the rough equivalent in power of a medium caliber rifle. He says a steel-tipped arrow is deadly up to about 200 yards, but when he hunts deer, "50 yards is a good shot and I try to keep it under 50 yards. Any more than that would be pressing my luck." May never has hunted with a rifle. A couple of years back a friend came home with a deer he killed with a bow and arrow, "so I thought I'd give it a try." He's been a lot more successful than many a rifle hunter. In 1934, he got a deer during a hunt on the Philmont Scout Ranch, and last year he bagged a deer and a bear on a Vermejo Park hunt.



MEETING ON BLIND DATE. Julius La Rosa and Rosemary Meyer, 24, secretary to Perry Com, fall in love and decide to marry. La Rosa, a singer, fired by Arthur Godfrey, promptly fell into \$500,000 annual income. Picture was made at recent New York birthday party before announcement (*International*)

State Traffic Official Sets Year Around Road Crackdown

SANTA FE (AP)—A New Mexico traffic safety official has set a goal of "the safest year on record" for 1936 and warned that a continuing crackdown will seek to reach that mark.

Executive Director Jess Holmes said the Traffic Safety Commission "is hoping for a total of no more than 300 fatalities." That would be a considerable reduction, in the light of miles traveled, from any previous year.

"It can be done and it will be done with the cooperation of every decent person who operates a vehicle on New Mexico highways," he said.

The 1935 toll of 360 lives was the lowest since 1930 and the first time since 1930 the total had not exceeded an average of one death a day. The total in 1930 was 339.

"Rather than wait for an emergency to come up before a crackdown begins," Holmes said, "we are going to have a continuing crackdown throughout 1936 and prove to the public and ourselves that strict enforcement and wide educational efforts will lead to the safest year on record."

The safety official said that a TSC camera car is being equipped with a speedometer which will indicate the speed of cars being filmed. John Lopez, TSC employee who supervised installation of the cameras in the cars, said the speedometers now will make it possible to show the speed at which violators are traveling.

"In studying the causes of wrecks we sometimes lost sight of the fact that speed is the killer, regardless of what caused the accident," Lopez said. "Perhaps these pictures will help impress on the public the part that excessive speed could play in a wreck resulting from a blowout or some other unexpected happening."

Holmes said the camera car equipment will be operating at full strength this weekend, along with the usual police activity.

"The fatality toll is beginning to creep up again and will soon be up with the 1935 level unless the public is alerted to the tragedy which is waiting for them when they ignore safe driving practices," he said.

Prime Minister Of Japan Hates Vegetable Juice

TOKYO (AP)—The Prime Minister of Japan hates the glass of vegetable juice he has to drink with every meal. But there's always a firm, if tiny, little lady nearby to make sure he drinks it.

Mrs. Ichiro Hatoyama has been right at her husband's side during his long climb to the top in Japanese politics—while he served as a Cabinet minister before the war; as he sat out the war, jobless, in a mountain retreat; during his "purge" by the occupation for prewar writings, and after the stroke that partly paralyzed him four years ago.

The thin, gray-haired aristocratic woman is given much of the credit for his success.

At 73, the kimono-clad first lady of political Japan still maintains a heavy schedule, crammed mostly with work related to her husband's job. She believes that hard work is the only way out for her country.

"Rough, work-worn hands are the symbol of women in the new Japan," she said in the first interview she ever granted to an American news agency.

"Japanese women are working hard to clear the debts they feel they owe the world because of the last war. We ask that other women forgive the rough appearance of our hands and give us their friendship as we do our duty."

"I believe in the diligence of my people. It has not been lost in spite of the confusion during and since the war."

Mrs. Hatoyama is a mixture of modernism and old traditional qualities.

Trucker Has 13th Operation On Friday 13th

DENVER (AP)—You're a truck driver by profession, married and the father of five children—three girls and two boys.

Fires have burned you out of your home three times in a 17-month period, and not one was covered by insurance.

You've spent 31 months of the past five years in hospitals. You've had 13 operations—the most recent, ironically, on Friday, Jan. 13. Your left foot is paralyzed; a nerve was pinched in one of three auto accidents in which you've been battered.

You have no job. You walk painfully, and with crutches. Money is running low. What do you do?

"You pray," says George C. Thomas. He knows. All this

Trucker Has 13th Operation On Friday 13th

happened to him. And the ordeal still is not over.

Thomas' first hint of what was to come was in 1930, when he awakened in the night, ill, and called his wife. He was bleeding from stomach ulcers. After recovering from emergency surgery, in the following years he has:

Again had a ruptured ulcer, slipped six discs in his spine when a stairway collapsed, had a bone graft operation to repair the spine damage, suffered severe burns on his left arm when he ignited fuel-soaked papers in an incinerator, dislocated his neck twice in auto accidents, broken a bone in his knee in a fall and, in still a third auto mishap, suffered a fractured hip, two fractures of the knee, broken ribs and a splintered shin bone.

Thomas, a Navy veteran, complains only of the pinched nerve in his left foot.

The doctors say it will be three or four months at the earliest before he can return to work.

By definition, about 50 per cent of the people are below average intelligence.

Mental Illness Has Only Recently Come Out Of Darkness Along With Other Hush-Hush Ills

By ED MARTIN

SANTA FE (AP)—Like syphilis and gonorrhea, mental illness has only recently come out of the whispering and averted eyes stage.

Right now it is a popular subject of conversation. As one physician put it, mental illness has reached a point where "psychosis" and "neurosis" are used by themselves with no explanation by comedians—a sure sign of popular interest.

As if to reflect this surge of interest, the whole field of treatment and prevention of mental illness—mental health—is being probed by experts.

How does New Mexico stack up? A 20-member committee with a high-sounding title but a serious purpose has the subject under study. It is the Governor's Advisory Committee on Mental Health, headed by Santa Fe psychiatrist Dr. Rudolph Kieve.

The committee has mapped out a plan of general study. But some specific items are already being investigated.

There is need within the state for additional trained persons in mental health work, the committee has decided.

There is need for all state agencies working in the field of mental health to coordinate their activities.

There is need for an education program aimed at the general public on all phases of mental health.

Dr. Kieve, as chairman of the committee, has some ideas of his own that he would like to see put into effect.

For one thing, Kieve would like to see mental health clinics established in every major New Mexico city, just as nearly every town has a public health clinic. He said with such clinics, problems normally presented to other social and legal services could be taken; behavior problems of children in probation departments, for example.

Kieve would also like to see the state hospital at Las Vegas become a "center" of mental health activity in the state. Admitting it is a far-off possibility, he has an idea which would relieve the pa-

Pennsylvania City Of 116,000 Still Has Volunteer Firemen

By HILLEL BLACK

READING, Pa. (AP)—Does your youngster dream of the day when he will be old enough to climb aboard a shiny new fire truck and dash to the nearest blaze? Then this is the place to live.

For in this southeastern Pennsylvania city there are 8,000 grown-ups from every walk of life who often do just that. Yet none of them ever gets a penny for it. They are all members of the largest and oldest active volunteer fire department in the United States.

Born in the days of the American Revolution, the Reading Volunteer Fire Department saves this city of 116,000 an estimated half-million dollars a year.

"We have the best fire department in the country," boasts Fire Chief Russell C. Bowers, one of 115 men in the department of more than 8,000 who get paid.

"The reason the department is so good," Bowers said, "is that each man is fighting to have his home or his city when a fire breaks out."

This spirit, of which the fire chief is so proud, has undergone a more than perceptible change since the first fire company was organized 183 years ago.

In those days the men who heaved the leather buckets and worked the antiquated pumps developed keen rivalry. Every fireman took pride in having his company be the first to answer an alarm. In addition the rivalries were heightened by a scarcity of water plugs.

Legend has it that many build- ings burned down while rival units argued who was to put out the fire.

Today, of course, the spirit is one of full cooperation. The change came after the Civil War when the Firemen's Union was formed.

Eddy County Oil Report

Ibex Co. No. 10, formerly Sehulaker & Brown No. 1, McT-Root, Anderson, SW SE, 1-175-TD 3202, lime. PB 3075. Waiting on orders.

Burnham Oil Co. No. 5 State, NE SE 2-178-30, Square Lake pool, old well drilled deeper. Total depth 3064 lime, shut down for orders.

R. D. Collier No. 2 Scripps NE SW 25-18-26, Dayton pool. Sandfrac. 12,000 gal. TD 1225 lime. Testing on pump.

Owen Haynes No. 1 Gaskins. Total depth 1127 lime. PB to 1091. Shut down for orders.

Harvey E. Yates No. 8 Travis NE NE 19-18-29, Loco Hills pool 3250 foot test. Company rig. Drig 2600 lime.

Bob Johnson No. 3 Harvey E. Yates, SW NW 5-20-27, McMillan pool. OWD. OTD 440 feet.

TD 997 any. PB 855.

Burnham Oil Co. No. 1 Humble State, Artesia; 15-18-28, 2310-N 2310-E, 2600 test. Contractor Co. TD 2520, lime. Flowing load oil.

El Paso Natural Gas Co. No. 3 Paker Lake Unit, NW SW 22-25-30, 15,500 foot test. Wildcat. Great Western Drilling Co., contractors. TD 12130 lime. On DST.

W. H. Black No. 1 Yates, NW NW 3-19-30 (N. Benson, Queen).

TD 4843 lime. Prepare to P&A.

Harvey E. Yates No. 1 Gulf State. Formerly Nix & Curtis. OWWO. SE SE 24-18-26 (wildcat) OTD 3015-PB 2296 Sfrac, 25,000 gals. Testing. Waiting on orders.

E. C. Donohue No. 1 Federal OWWO in Highlonesome Pool. SW NW 21-16-29, OTD 3163.

TD 3163, lime. PB 2508, waiting on orders.

Union Oil Co. of Calif. No. 1 White NW NW 17-24-22 (wildcat) 7500 ft. test.

TD 6737, lime and dol. Runing Survey.

Carper Drilling Co. No. 6 Johnson "A" NE NE 35-16-31 - Robinson TD 1910, salt. Shut down for orders.

Malco, Resler & Yates No. 12 Dunn "B" NW NE 19-18-28 - Drig 2312 lime.

Malco, Resler & Yates No. 126 State NW NW 15-18-28 - Artesia TD. 2501, lime. Running Casing.

Leonard George, Contractor

Robert E. McKee No. 17 Bassett & Birney State

SW NW 3-19-29 Turkey Track TD 2501 lime. Prepare to drill out PB.

Leonard Latch No. 27 Berry SE NW 24-17-27 - Empire Pool Charles Geiser Contractor TD 428, lime. Shut in, waiting on orders.

A. S. Woolley No. 2 Parke "H" NE NE 10-17-30 - Undesignated pool TD 3246 lime. WOC.

Humble Oil & Refining Co. No. 1 Chalk Bluff Draw Unit NE SW 5-18-25 - Wildcat 10,000 foot test.

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Sunray Mid-Continent Oil Co. No. 12 Dodd "A"

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Sinclair Oil & Gas Co. No. 13 Kied "A" NW NE 7-17-31 Grayburg-Jackson Pool.

Drig 2940 lime.

Lang & Schlichter No. 1 State of N. M., SE NE 3-26-28. Wildcat.

Drig 1122 any.

E. C. Donohue et al No. 2 Donohue, NE SW 15-16-29 High Lonsome Pool.

Drig. 280, any.

TD 1947 lime. Shut in 34,000 gal. sand frac.

Sunray Mid-Continent No. 11 Dodd "A" NE SE 22-17-29—Grayburg Keely Pool.

Drig 2745 lime.

Donnelly Drilling Co. No. 2 State "A" SW NW 2-18-29—Artesia pool.

Drig 2277 lime.

Robt. L. Bunnell No. 3 Magnolia State. NE SE 15-21-27—Margruder-Yates pool. 535' test.

Drig 440 lime.

Moab Drilling Co. No. 10 Skelly State NW SW 15-16-29. Undesignated pool. 1950' test. Company rig.

TD 1965, sand, PB 1962. Pumping load oil.

George H. Williams No. 2 Goodale. NE NW 31-18-29. Undesignated pool. 2400' test. Roach & Shepard Contractors.

TD 2736 lime. PB 2470. WOC.

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Dairymen To Use Milk, Instead of Coffee At A&M

Dairymen who attend the annual two-day Dairy Short Course at New Mexico A&M College, February 14 and 15, plan to practice what they preach about the use of their products. Instead of the usual "coffee breaks" they'll have "milk breaks" between their training sessions. It's doubtful whether they'll have to sell each other on the good points of milk, but you can bet your bottom dollar that "outsiders" will get an earful on the virtues of not only milk, but other dairy products in their daily diets.

Ray Alberts, membership director of the American Dairy Association, will tell dairymen how ADA, through its selling pow-

ers, can back up their efforts to promote greater use of milk and dairy products. Mrs. Mildred Latini, executive director of the Dairy Council of Northern New Mexico, principal speaker at the evening session February 14, will discuss not only the economies of using more dairy items, but also their nutritional value.

A topic of wide interest which is scheduled to come up for discussion earlier that day, is frozen semen and problems relating to its use. E. E. Anderston, extension dairyman at New Mexico A&M, who has helped plan the Dairy Short Course agenda, says, "There have been many requests

for information on frozen semen, because its use is rapidly gaining in popularity throughout the country." J. Warren Nordyke, manager of the United Breeders' of Texas, a well-known authority on frozen semen, will lead this discussion.

Other topics which will be studied on the first day of the Short Course are abnormalities of the reproductive tract that prevent conception, antibiotics, and feeding of concentrates.

Members of the New Mexico Holstein Breeders' Association will hold a special meeting the afternoon of February 14.

Drs. S. R. Skaggs and R. M. Porter of the A&M Dairy Depart-

ment, will get the second day's sessions under way at 8:30 a.m., February 15, with a review of the College's dairy research work.

Dallas Rierson will follow with a brief talk on the reorganization plans for the Regulatory Services, which he directs.

George Honea, Albuquerque, chairman of the June Dairy Month Committee in 1955, will bring Short Course visitors up-to-date on promotional activities last year.

Following his review of the program, the group will make plans for the promotion of June Dairy Month in 1956.

Dr. P. J. Leyendecker, head of the College's Agricultural Services Department, will cover the re-

sults of on-farm silage variety tests.

A report on ADA activities in New Mexico by Lonnie Cox, Albuquerque, president, and a meeting of the ADA directors of the state will top off the two-day session.

The Short Course will be held in the Animal Industry Building on A&M's campus. Registration will be from 8 to 9 a.m., February 14.

Producers, processors, and distributors are invited to attend both the Short Course and the Guernsey Breeders' field day, which will be held at the Price-Black Dairy Farm near Arrey, February 13.

Well Known State Booster Wants Cane Story Re-Told

By JOHN B. CURTIS
State Capital Correspondent
SANTA FE (AP)—The recent news stories about the Pueblo Indian elections and Abe Lincoln's canes left one loyal New Mexican unhappy.

"Why," asks Ina Sizer Cassidy, "don't you tell the world about the pueblo's Spanish canes? Let's really give these Easterners and Californians an idea of New Mexico's antiquity! They'd like to forget—if we'd let 'em—that New Mexico was a going concern long before the Pilgrims ever landed at Plymouth Rock."

State Tourist Director Joseph A. Bursery agrees (naturally). He backs it up like this:

"Why, we have got the oldest governor's palace (and the newest state capitol); we had the first pitched battle on American soil in 1540 (Zuni vs. Coronado), and

probably the last, if you count Pancho Villa's raid on Columbus. We've got the oldest mission churches in America and the oldest villages in continuous occupancy on the continent. We're no Johnny-come-latelys."

Mrs. Cassidy, widow of the late, great painter Gerald Cassidy, is a well known writer and booster of things New Mexican. In the matter of the canes she has touched on a good point.

The canes are traditional emblems of authority in the pueblos. President Lincoln conferred his canes on the governors of 19 pueblos in 1863. But the Spanish canes, awarded by the king of Spain in 1620, now have been treasured more than 3 1/2 centuries.

Chester E. Faris of Albuquerque, retired veteran of many years with the Indian Service, made what is probably the most painstaking research ever carried out on the matter of the canes. He told about it in a paper written in 1952 and revised in September, 1954.

Faris credited Dr. Michael Steck, a Mesalero Indian agent who became superintendent of Indian affairs, with playing a leading role in the case of the Lincoln canes. Steck went to Washington in November, 1863, presumably to be sworn into office. President Lincoln wanted to do something to repay the Pueblo Indians' friendliness. The ebony canes, silver crowned, and embossed with "A. Lincoln," were the result.

Steck brought them with him when he returned the following spring. They were given the pueblo governors and became the traditional emblem of authority, along with the earlier Spanish canes.

Faris found that the canes were purchased from John Doid of Philadelphia for \$5.50 each.

Faris' interesting account of the origin of the canes related:

In 1620 the king of Spain decreed that each pueblo at the end of each year elect a governor, lieutenant governor and other needed officers, to be inaugurated the first week of the new year. The silver headed canes were given each governor as a symbol of his authority, to be passed on to the successors in turn. The canes carried a cross on a silver mounting.

When Mexico won her independence from Spain two centuries later, new silver-thimble canes were given the pueblos by Mexico. In some cases, the Mexican canes eventually went into the hands of the lieutenant governors.

Zebulon M. Pike and Maj. W. H. Emory, a member of Gen. Kearney's train, were among the early Americans whose writings told of meeting Indian leaders bearing canes as symbols of authority.

Faris wrote that the pueblos' respect for the canes "is no less in its meaning than is the congressman's respect for the mace in the House of Representatives. It is certainly a commendation to the pueblo people that they have so well cared for the symbols of authority . . .

"Their governments have survived for three or four centuries despite the fact that there is now and long has been a clashing between the progressive group and the conservatives."

Meat Poster Contest Winners Are Announced

Winners in the New Mexico Meat Poster Contest were announced today by Mrs. Linda Lambert, Mosquero, chairman of the State Meat Promotion Committee.

A poster entered by Sammy Holguin, Cobre High School, Bayard, was judged best poster from among the 60 in the finals. Holguin's teacher is Joe Goforth.

More than 1,000 posters were entered in the state contest by school boys and girls throughout New Mexico.

The second-place poster was drawn by Eloy Martinez, sixth grade pupil in the Gloria School. His teacher is Oliver Ortiz.

Alexander Laszlo, tenth grade pupil in the Carlsbad High School, had the third-place poster in the state contest. His teacher is Carl Unthank.

Fourth prize in the state contest went to Jeanne Booth, fourth grader in the L. L. Brown School, Portales. Her teacher is Mrs. Hunton.

Holguin, winner of the first-place poster, will receive a \$200 college scholarship to New Mexico A&M College from the New Mexico Farm and Livestock Bureau. Youngsters who drew the second, third, and fourth prize posters will receive hindquarters of beef, lamb, and pork, respectively. Honors of the meat are the Glover Packing Company, Roswell; Swift and Company, and Schwartzman Packing Company, both of Albuquerque.

Honorable mention was given to four second graders in Salazar School, Santa Fe, who combined efforts in making a poster. Twenty-nine pre-first grade pupils in Salazar School will get a special prize of hamburgers for a picnic for their joint poster.

Judging the posters were Peter Hurd of San Patricio, nationally-known artist; Dr. Roger B. Corbett, president of New Mexico A&M College; and Hal Dean, El Paso alderman. Hurd said posters entered in the state contest "showed wonderful ingenuity and inventiveness."

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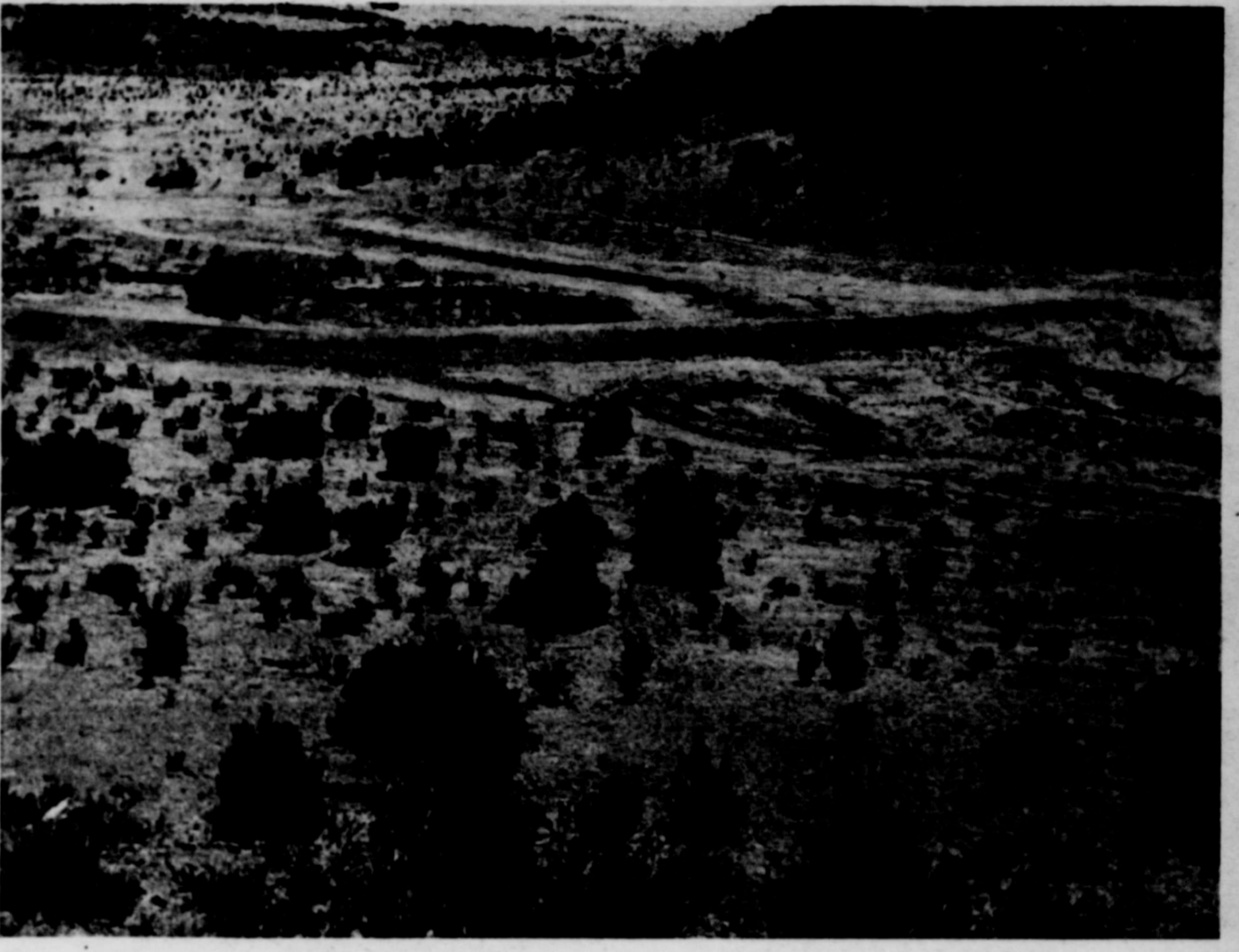
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... a flood control project in the Hondo River area has been in progress for the last three years. Farmers in that region were up against the same thing that Penasco valley farmers face today ... constant threat from rampaging water. A Penasco project to alleviate the condition is in the planning stage. So that farmers here might have a look at what to expect in the work a photo-word story of the Hondo project is presented today. It will be found on pages four and five.

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New Year's Wishful Thinking?

MAYBE it was the spirit of Christmas and the approach of New Year's-Resolution time that led delegates to New Mexico's recent Farm Bureau convention to plead for a letup in converting farm problems into political footballs and ask, instead, that farm-ranch perplexities be handled as bipartisan issues.

As we barge into the new campaign year 1956, at least, the phrases sound like wishful thinking.

As a matter of fact, the trail of the current slump in farm incomes has left tracks in both political parties' barns—thereby branding the slump itself as being bipartisan.

For it began — remember? — back in 1948 — at least seven years ago, if not actually eight. Which means that four years of the slump, if not five, must be laid on the Democrats' doorstep; only three on the Republicans'.

And bringing the embarrassing enigma back to the argument of high, rigid supports versus variable, we must remember also—if we're going to be fair-minded—that, of the seven years of undisputed farm slump, six were years of rigid price supports. For variable supports, enacted late in 1954, didn't go into effect until harvest time of 1955. In other words—we must remind today's clamorous advocates of rigid supports—through 1949, '50, '51, '52, '53 and '54 American farmers were "enjoying" whatever benefits can be found in rigid 90% supports. Yet the slump in farmers incomes kept on coming—in cumulative build-up.

In fact, as Clint Anderson recently reminded Texas' Farm Bureau convention, only the Korean war and its demand for mounting food and fiber surpluses checked the toboggan and prevented 1950-52 becoming bottom of the slide instead of a four-year-later campaign period.

Yet New Mexico's junior senator is one of the comparatively few men in Congress who are willing to be bipartisan on the subject.

As Roger Fleming, AFBF's secretary-treasurer, told Farm Bureau's national convention: "We now have a new surplus—political demagoguery."

For Democratic tear-jerkers—forgetting their own four years of farm-income decline—now are attempting to lay the entire blame on the Republicans—particularly Ezra Benson and his flexible-support program; and Republican trouble-shooters are applying an equally wavering memory to the fact that a Republican state department—continuing a Democratic designed foreign-aid program—has cut off so much foreign market that even a flexible support program can't be made to work.

It has always been the same: When Republican administrations were pyramiding tariffs to encourage "infant industries," for example, or Democratic "New Dealers" bidding for Labor's votes by lifting the lid on a union oligarchy's "bargaining" power.

So, unless Farm Bureau's early warning dilutes the brew now boiling up in political training camps, we may expect repetition with a farm-ranch vote-block at stake.

But, this year, there is this alternative: What now sounds like wishful thinking could be turned to practical profit if, instead of succumbing to "germ warfare" and its intended political panic, farm-ranch folk slice out the slush and themselves place campaign oratory and backyard whispering on the scales of bipartisan judgement.

—New Mexico Farm and Ranch

In The Corner

THE old problem of "which came first, the chicken or the egg?" has been revived by Advocate staffer Norman Thomas in an article on pages six and seven about the operation of the McCaw Hatchery and Poultry Farm.

The way Thomas has it figured it all depends on which of the two you seek in the end. If you are after the chicken as a saleable product, the egg comes first . . . but, if—on the other hand—you are after the egg, the chicken comes first.

It is still confusing to me.

The plan of President Eisenhower to put a soil-bank into use as a means of aiding the nation's farmers is, according to Sen. Ellender of Louisiana, "a very ticklish situation."

Ellender, chairman of the Senate Agriculture Committee, said "we must not do anything that will further depress farm prices and income. That would be disastrous."

At the same time Sen. Aiken of Vermont, senior GOP agriculture committee member, had this to say:

"We may not be able to pay the costs of the soil bank by selling off surpluses."

The committee is drafting new legislation and is in the process of holding public hearings. Cotton industry representatives appeared before the group Friday.

It still appears that any farm proposals made this year will be kicked around for purely political purposes.

Graze properly and raise plenty of beef—Overgraze and beef plenty.

—F. J. G.

Between The Covers

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BOB McCAW puts graded and sorted eggs into properly designated cartons from sorting machine, which dumps the eggs from little scales according to their correct weights, lower right.

McCaw's eggs may be extra large, large, medium or small, depending on their weights, but they are all Grade AA, meaning that they are perfectly fresh. Grade A eggs may have been in storage a little longer but are still fine table eggs. However, Grade B and C eggs are not recommended for table use though they are all right for cooking. They have usually been a long while in storage or have been stored under the wrong conditions.

Eggs that the McCaws purchase from farmers for re-sale are never graded as AA, no matter how fresh they may be. Only eggs produced on the McCaw farm, and of known quality, are marked with the Grade AA designation. These are the kind of eggs that will "stand up and look you in the eye" when they are broken in the frying pan, Bob McCaw says.

After candling, the eggs are run

between emery belts to polish and clean them, and then are sorted into weight classifications by small, automatic scales. If the eggs have to be stored after they are put into cartons, they are kept at between 35 and 40 degrees temperature for optimum results.

After observing the McCaw operation, it is not difficult to see why the farmer with a few hens on the side can't compete efficiently with the assembly line approach to the chicken and egg business.

If it's true that a man's home is his castle, then certainly a farmer's barn is his factory. It's a wise farmer who keeps his plant in good working order with GOOD HOUSEKEEPING. Take this tip from the National Safety Council and the U. S. Department of Agriculture: keep everything in its proper place. That's good house-keeping and safer farming.



BOB McCAW in the freezer room where dressed turkeys and chickens are frozen for market use.

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Chicken and Egg Operation Is Big Business

There was a time when every farmer grew a few chickens and eggs for his own use and took a few to market regularly. It's not that way today. The chicken and egg business, like other phases of farming, has become specialized and grown into big business. There are very few farmers who grow chickens, even for their own use, any more. It's cheaper to buy fryers, or eggs, already cleaned, dressed and frozen than it is to grow them.

The McCaw brothers, Bob and Jack, of Artesia, are among the biggest chicken and egg specialists in this part of the Pecos Valley. The McCaw Hatchery and Poultry Farm is located at 306 S. Thirteenth St. In telling the story of the McCaw operation it's hard to decide whether to start first with the chicken or with the egg. It might depend on what use you were going to put the egg to. If you were going to eat the egg it might be assumed that the chicken preceded the egg and the egg was the end result. On the other hand, if you were going to use the egg to hatch another chicken it might be assumed that egg preceded the chicken. We'll go on the assumption that egg precedes the chicken and begin with the egg.

The McCaws carefully select their eggs for hatching, choosing only eggs of uniform shape and size with thick shells and free of defects. They have 10 incubators in which they could run off 700 chicks a week if there were a demand for that many. Now they run only a small part of the incubators. From the incubators the chicks are taken to a heated brooder house where they are kept closely confined in cages until they reach the age of six weeks.

From six to 10 weeks of age the chicks are transferred outside to raised level runs until they become conditioned to the outdoors. At 10 weeks they are removed from the runs and taken to range pens where they are raised to laying age at about six months. In the range pens they are still kept in fairly close confinement since chickens never need very much room.

Only a part of the pullets raised at the McCaw Hatchery are kept for laying purposes, however. A good many are raised for farmers and others in the Valley, and turned over to them before they reach laying age. The McCaws are equipped to start as many as 10,000 pullets a year for sale in this manner and last year actually did start 4,000.

While in the outside runs, before being transferred to the range pens, the young pullets are vaccinated for Newcastle, bron-

chitis and fowlpox. These are the three worst diseases that can get started among laying hens. A hen that has been subject to bronchitis will never be a good layer again. Any one of these diseases can hit a flock of good layers and in three days time knock production down to nothing.

A big per cent of the male birds

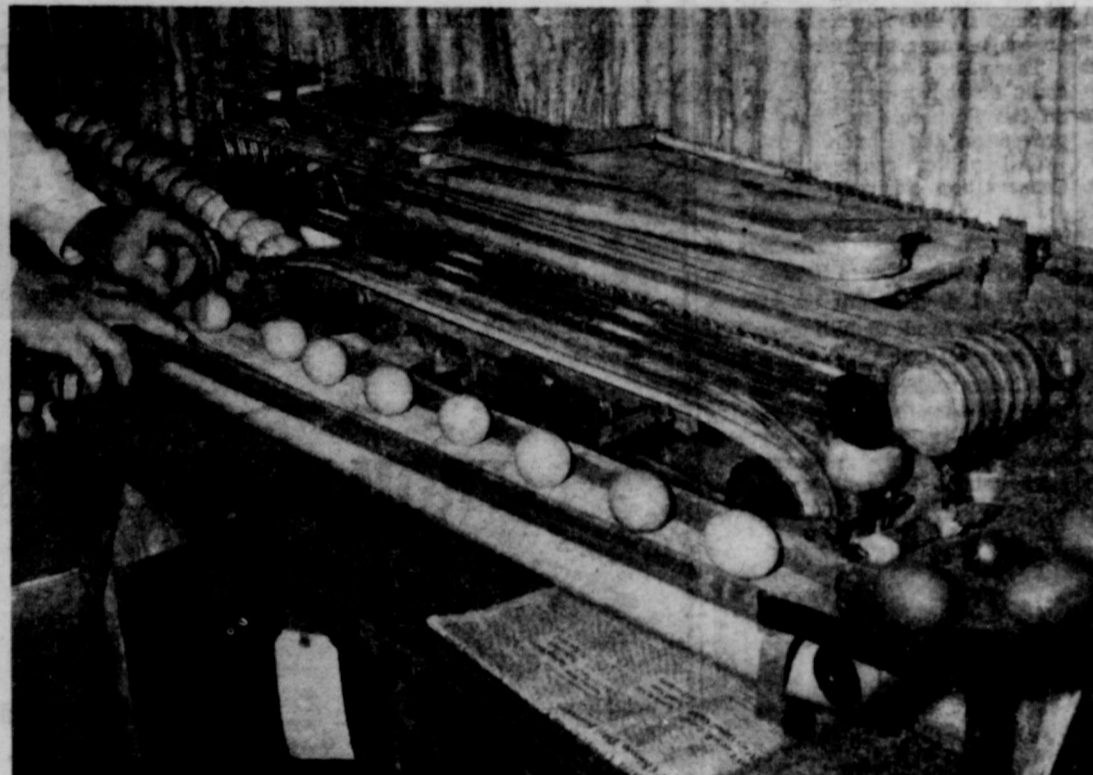
The layers are fed all the laying mash they can eat. Twice a day they are given whole oats which are distributed in a litter on the floors of the laying houses so the chickens will scratch the litter and keep it dry. Once a day, at noon, the hens are fed super green pellets to reduce the amount of other food eaten.

We started with the egg and then took up the chicken, and now we come to the egg again. Every egg produced at McCaw's is candled. Candling reveals any cracks in the shell or any defect in the egg, itself, such as a blood spot or meat speck, and also tells if the egg is fresh by revealing the amount of air space at the end

of the egg. A fresh egg will have only a very small air space and the yoke will be well centered. As the egg is kept longer in storage the liquids within the shell slowly evaporate and the air space becomes larger. At the same time the yoke settles to the bottom of the egg.



LAYING HENS AND ROOSTERS on the roost. A night light is left on all the time so chickens can find their roost more easily. Laying hens put in a 14-hour day stimulated by bright lights left on during early morning and evening hours.



ASSEMBLY LINE cleaning and polishing of eggs by running them between emery belts at McCaw chicken farm.

are chemically caponized by inserting a small pellet of diethylstilbestrol under the skin at the back of the bird's neck. This tenderizes the bird and increases the flavor and weight by increasing fat deposits in the body tissues. The capons dress out at about five to six pounds.

The McCaw Poultry Farm grows out about 1,000 turkeys to mature in the fall of the year. These are Thompson Broadwhites which will dress out at about 20 to 25 pounds for toms and 11 to 15 pounds for hens. All of these are dressed, frozen and sold to the local market.

Pullets kept for laying purposes are put to work at the age of six months. From 1,000 to 1,500 hens are used for laying at the poultry farm. These produce from 75 to 100 cases of Grade AA eggs a month.

Laying hens are housed in 30x40-foot rooms, about 375 hens to the room. In the center of each room is the roost and there are several tiers of metal laying nests in each room. Automatic feeders distribute a laying mash along troughs that circle the rooms. A night light is kept on so the chickens can find their roosts. Automatic timers turn on bright lights early in the morning and in the evening hours so the chickens have light to stimulate laying during a 14-hour period.

Ring-Necked Pheasant May Soon Be But Memory

By JACK SAMSON
ALBUQUERQUE — The eackling flush of that sportsmen's favorite—the Chinese ring-necked pheasant—may soon be a thing of the past in New Mexico.

While there is no doubt that the colorful bird will continue to provide sport for countless generations in other states of the nation, it appears that sportsmen and conservationists in New Mexico are having to face some hard facts.

Levon Lee, director of game

bird management for the Department of Game and Fish, estimated the cost of each bird stocked at an average of \$10.

Lee said the costs runs from \$46 per bird in some areas, such as the Roswell-Lovington region, to approximately \$6 per bird in the Taos area.

Sportsmen's groups and those interested in conservation in New Mexico have long known of the almost prohibitive cost of pheasant stocking. At the same time there has been the feeling that the high cost of raising and stock-

ing the colorful game birds was offset by the enjoyment it provided to the army of hunters each year.

The State Game Commission may soon be called upon to decide once and for all whether the sport is worth the expense. Many sportsmen have voiced the opinion that the money could be spent on raising and stocking game birds which have a chance of survival in the arid land—birds such as the Turkish chukkar partridge. Two plantings in the hardy Middle Eastern chukkas have been made in the state, one in the Gila Wilderness Area and another at the head of Conchas Lake. Game management men say the birds are doing extremely well.

On the other hand, the ring-necked pheasant, tough and adaptable even in the remotest spots of the world, is fighting a losing battle here.

Lee, long skeptical that pheasants could be successfully stocked says New Mexico is simply not suited for the birds.

Game management men have pointed out several factors which may have escaped the notice of the average hunter, who naturally wants to keep the sporty bird in the game law digest if it is at all possible.

The state of New Mexico is high dry and without sufficient food or cover for pheasants. There are

areas, of course, where the birds do thrive. Taos is particularly well suited, with its densely covered valley bottoms and adequate food supply. But how much of the state is like Taos?

Pheasant eggs in order to hatch must have a certain percentage of moisture in the air, and the 'only spot' where those conditions occur is in the valley bottoms of the state.

While the eggs have a chance to hatch there, many other factors enter into the picture.

The valley bottoms are the areas of the heaviest human population in New Mexico. There the pheasant must beware of skunks, dogs, coyotes, out-of-season hunters and that worst predator of all, the so-called domesticated house cat.

The pheasant will build its nest on the ground in the thickest cover it can find. Usually at some time during the incubation period of the eggs, the farmer will irrigate the field where the nest lies. The eggs are saturated with water and the young die. Even if the pheasant lays clutch after clutch, the chances are that few chicks will escape the periodic irrigation water.

If they manage to escape that, there is the tractor which will soon be along to cut the crop. Since pheasants usually do not flush until the last second when alarmed, the reaper blades catch

them just as they leave the ground.

If by some miracle the bird get through the spring and summer, there is always the burning of the dried field in the fall of the flash-fires as the farmer burns the ditches.

All in all, officials say, the stocking program is a fairly hope less proposition from the standpoint of return.

Lee, a veteran of game bird trial-and-error methods in the state, says the only answer is the releasing of pheasants just prior to the season. That way the loss from natural causes is cut down and the hunters have a chance at the birds over the short two day season.

At the same time, Lee says, it is an expensive business.

The figure of \$46 per bird in some areas of the state may shock many sportsmen, who pay for the raising and stocking of pheasants by their purchase of hunting or fishing license.

Other sportsmen and game management men have taken a realistic attitude toward the situation and have predicted the decline of the pheasant in New Mexico as a game bird.

As Lee said, "It is possible, but highly impractical to raise os triches in New Mexico. It is almost equally as impractical to raise pheasants."

Wind Erosion Annual Fight For Farmers

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Because of topography and climate, farmers and ranchers in New Mexico must always contend with wind and wind erosion. Years of experience have taught them that soil erosion problems are multiplied many times when drought conditions occur in combination with strong winds.

Soil erosion by wind causes two principal kinds of land damage: soil removal and deposition of eroded material. By and large, the major percentage of land damage is caused by soil removal from crop land.

Usually, soil blowing will start on sandy or shallow soils or other poor lands where short crops or crop failures occur. Such lands are in "condition to blow" because the lack of crops result in all residues being exhausted and there is little or no cover to protect the land.

During the windy season, it is a common sight to see farmers in erosion areas out chiseling and listing the land to check soil movement. At the best, such emergency practices provide only temporary relief and should be restricted to croplands where clods or moist heavy soil can be brought to the surface. Repeated emergency tillage practices will exhaust most soil moisture and pulverize the soil that further tillage will do little or no good until precipitation occurs.

Emergency cover of some kind should be established at the first opportunity on blowing fields, that is, as soon as enough precipitation comes to permit the growing of cover crops. If moisture does not occur, then the existing weed cover should be managed so as to provide the maximum protection to the land.

The permanent solution to soil erosion rests with the individual farmer and his neighbors. Of course, there are certain conservation practices that an individual farmer can apply on his farm to check soil movement, but there is little he can do to stop the neighbor's soil from being deposited on his land.

There exists in New Mexico, a Wind Erosion District Act, which can be used to create Wind Erosion Districts. Owners of 25 per cent of the total land area of any

county may petition the county commissioners for the establishment of a Wind Erosion District to include the county. If the petition is in order, and upon payment by the petitioners of sufficient funds to defray the cost, the commissioners shall order an election to be held upon the question of creating such a District. If approved, and established, the county officials will be responsible for administering the law. Full details on the Act may be obtained from the local county agent's office.

While it is generally recognized that the law will not solve the wind erosion problems it is felt that such a statute will be of some assistance toward initiating a long-time conservation program designed to accomplish the desired results in combating wind erosion.

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Penasco Farmers Can Gain From Flood

BY NORMAN THOMAS
It had long since become apparent that something would have to be done to control the flood waters of the Hondo which periodically ravaged the city of Roswell and surrounding farm lands. About three years ago a project was begun that would commence to alleviate the situation.

The first blow was struck in defense of the lower lands by aiming at the source of the problem, the upper watershed of the Hondo. The situation confronting the people on the Hondo then was much the same as that facing the people on the Penasco today. A deteriorated cover condition on the upper forest and range lands, due to prolonged drought and overgrazing, had set in motion a vicious cycle of flood and erosion. Flood waters, unhampered, ran off to fast and eroded the land so that runoff became even faster, and erosion consequently greater. The more the flood waters cut away the grass, the less was the cover to hold back the runoff. The poorer became the condition of the ranges and the more were the farmlands downstream damaged by flooding and debris.

This is the situation the people on the Penasco face today. In mid-December a group of farmers

to be done on forest lands. The remaining \$510,000 will be split 50-50 between the government and the ranchers and farmers in the area.

The project has not proceeded according to schedule because some of the people have not been able to meet their share of the costs as they became due, but much has been accomplished in spite of this.

Much of the Hondo work has been carried out on the ranch of Ralph Pearson, who lives at Cottonwood, near here. In another instance, a farm belonging to D. G. Robinson, formerly of Artesia, has been completely protected from sidehill erosion damage as a part of the project.

The work that was completed last fall received a good test at that time when a near-record rain fell on the watershed. Approaching peak rainfall for which the structures were designed, the entire project withstood the runoff with plenty of margin. The manner in which this runoff was checked and controlled was a good indication of the benefits that might accrue to the people of the Penasco if they adopt a similar program in that area.

The Hondo project covers an area of 121 square miles. The pro-



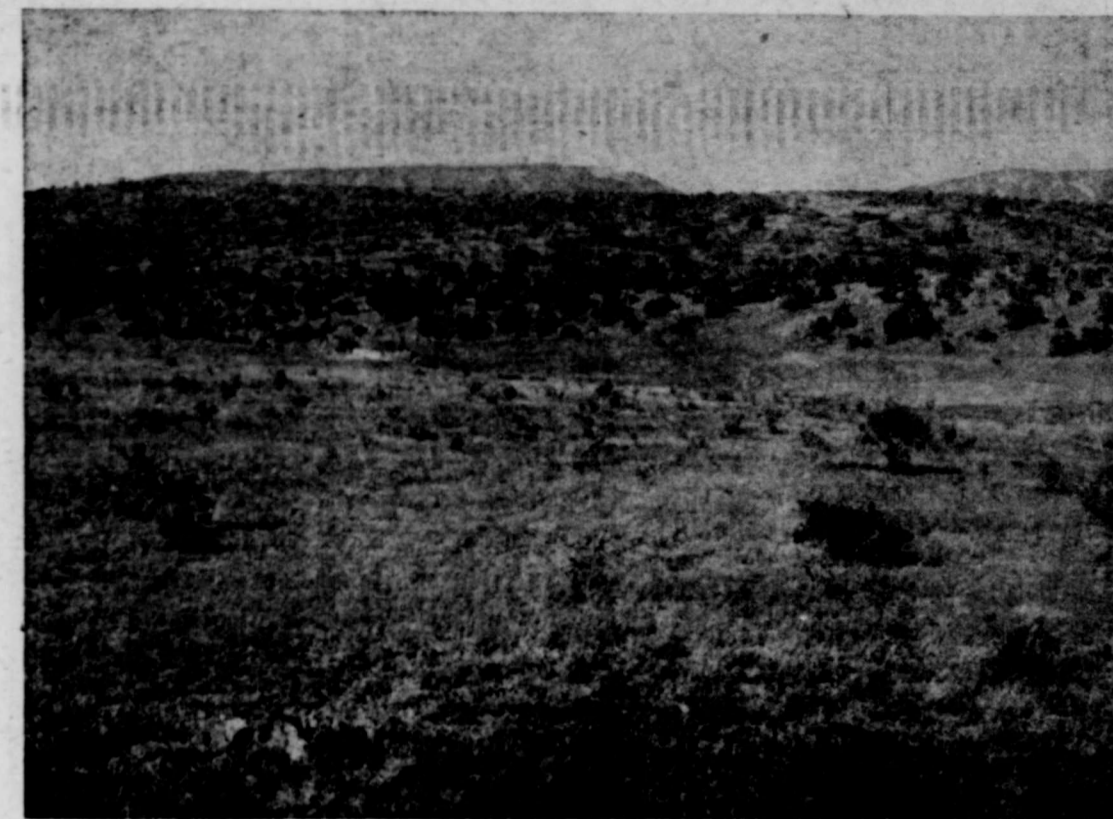
A LARGE, wet-rolled, dam at the head of a gully on the Pearson Ranch, designed to hold back runoff and prevent further cutting of the gully below.

posed Penasco project would cover 450,000 acres. The Capitan project on the Hondo was a pilot watershed project, one of the first

of its kind to be tried. The Penasco project would come under a different federal law — Bill 566. However, the two projects and the

benefits to be achieved would be similar. Work done on the Hondo project consisted of building retent-

Work Much As Did Those In Hondo Area



A STRUCTURE on the Pearson Ranch, designed to stop further head cutting and put flood waters back on the grassy plain.

(All Advocate Photos)

Census Bureau Says State's Population Now Is 795,000

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Census Bureau has estimated New Mexico's population as of last July 1 as 795,000, an increase of 16.7 per cent since the 1950 census.

The bureau said California is outstripping all other states by a wide margin in population growth. It was credited with a gain of nearly 2½ million persons between the 1950 census and mid-1955 to give it an estimated population last July 1 of 13,032,000. New York's estimated 16,124,000 was the only one to top it. The 1950 census officially made California the second most populous state, displacing Pennsylvania.

Nevada's 40 per cent gain made it the fastest growing state percentage-wise. Arizona was second with a 31 per cent increase, Florida third with almost 25 per cent, California fourth with 23 per cent and Delaware fifth with a gain of 22 per cent.

The bureau estimated that six states lost population between 1950 and 1955. These were Arkansas, with a decline of 121,000; Mississippi, down 68,000; Oklahoma, 66,000; Alabama, 29,000; Maine,

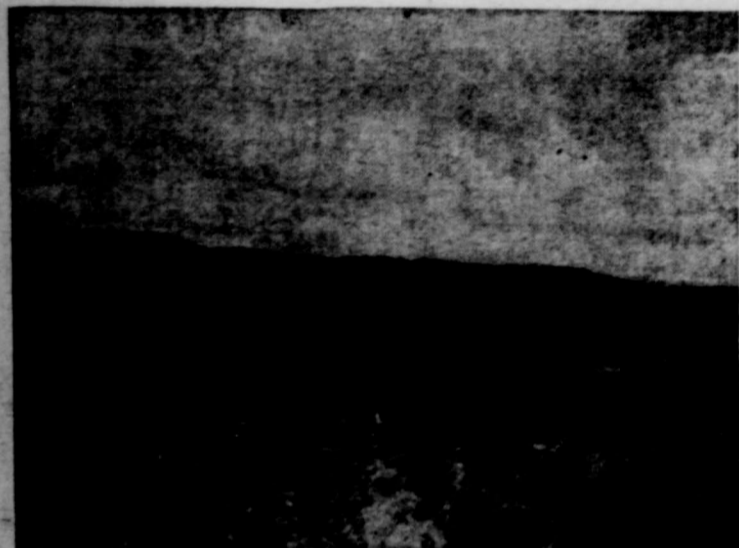
9,000; and West Virginia 4,000.

At mid-1955, the bureau put the nation's continental population at about 164,300,000. That excludes service men abroad.

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BEFORE AND AFTER the building of No. 18 structure on the Pearson Ranch, a check dam and spreader dike to stop gully erosion.



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and ranchers of the Penasco watershed got together with representatives from the Soil Conservation Service, the Forest Service and other governmental agencies for a two-day tour of the watershed, which resulted in the Penasco Soil Conservation District sponsoring a flood control program for the Penasco similar to that now being carried to completion on the Hondo.

The various agencies are currently engaged in compiling their reports to determine the economic feasibility of the project. It will then be up to the people to decide whether they wish, or can afford, to meet their share of the cost of the program.

Three years ago the Hondo Soil Conservation District sponsored a similar project on its watershed. After three years the project, part of which is pictured on these pages, is almost half completed. To date about \$200,000 has been spent on the project. When it is completed it will cost about \$750,000. Of this sum, the Forest Service will put up \$240,000 for work

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ments and debris basins above cultivated lands to catch rocks and gravel before it washed onto the farm lands. Spreader dikes were constructed to channel the flood waters out of gulleys and spread them across grass plains. Gully plugs and check dams were constructed to hold up the runoff, not with the intention of retaining the water, which is illegal, but of slowing the runoff by detaining it and forcing it to drain out gradually through pipes at the bottoms of the dams.

Work done on forest lands consisted mostly of spreader dikes, gully plugs, brush dams along gully banks, the chiseling of range lands and the improvement of range cover.

Before a project can gain the approval of the federal government, the economic benefits ac-

cruing from the project must be shown to at least equal the cost of the structure. Benefits may be in land saved, property protected, or range cover produced.

There are a lot of benefits that could be shown by such a project on the Penasco, as have been proved on the Hondo. (All photos courtesy the Soil Conservation Service).

Farmers are good customers of industry. According to figures from the U. S. Department of Agriculture, they used 16 billion gallons of crude oil last year—more than any industry. They spent \$300 million for pesticides. They spent a billion dollars for fertilizer and lime. And in recent years, they have bought 4½ million tractors and almost 700,000 corn pickers.



A GULLEY on the Pearson Ranch prior to construction of a gully plug and check dam, known as No. 10 structure.



LAYING OF DRAIN PIPE during construction of No. 10 check dam on the Pearson Ranch.

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