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COMMON COURTESY

And Ordinary Gentility Should Be Respected by the Press—Time to Stop Abuse and Slander.

The abuse so liberally heaped upon our public men is a matter of regret to any fair minded citizen of the Sunshine Territory. Especially venomous has been the attack upon Delegate Andrews, a man deemed worthy by the majority of our people to represent us in the halls of Congress. And not Mr. Andrews alone but almost every man prominent in Territorial politics today is subject from one source or another to the vilest abuse that the tongue of man can utter.

In justice to the opposers of Mr. Hagerman, it must be admitted that very little abuse of a personal nature has been indulged in. The democratic paper and one or two professed republican papers have been so persistent in their vituperations that some replies have embodied statements uncomplimentary of the ex-governor but in general he has been shown the respect due him as chief executive of the Territory.

It is time to call a halt in this indiscriminate abuse and slander. It is a detriment to the Territory and reflects no credit upon the originators. Our officials are equal in ability and personal worth to those of the states and we have no reason to expect them to be better. Mr. Andrews has demonstrated his influence at Washington and Mr. Hagerman has suffered no disgrace notwithstanding the statement of certain papers. He played the game and lost, that is all there is to it. A man must depend upon his own ability and tact to perpetuate himself in office, public preference is a fickle jade. Politics is more than the equal to draw poker, it is in the three shell game class and he who plays must be willing to suffer the consequences.

Dissolution Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the firm of Porter & Beckham has this 17th day of May 1907 been dissolved by mutual consent. J. H. Beckham, Jr., of the firm continuing the business and J. F. Porter retiring. J. H. Beckham, Jr., collects all accounts due the said firm, and assumes all outstanding obligations due by the said firm. J. F. Porter.

J. H. Beckham, Jr.

"Mark Down" Social.

The ladies of the Christian church invite you to "The Mark Down Social" to be held at the church Thursday night, June 6. You are asked to come with your name "marked down" on a card affixed to your coat or dress. Kindly "mark down" on your calendar the date, and remember a cordial welcome awaits you.

Bring your pencil with you.

Miss Bessie Brown started for Kansas City yesterday where she will visit with friends for two weeks before going on to Warrensburg, Mo., to attend school. Miss Bessie taught in the Artesia schools last year.

Mr. and Mrs. Riggs left Wednesday for Louisville, Ky.

C. C. Mull was a Lake Arthur visitor yesterday.

W. A. Dutch, who is managing the waterworks system, left yesterday for Roswell to look after big ditcher which is to help lay the mains. We wish him luck.

Miss Alice Attebery accompanied Miss Brown as far as Lake Arthur yesterday and will visit with friends before returning home.

Farm Product Contest.

The First National Bank offers prizes aggregating more than \$100 for the best samples of a number of farm products raised locally during the season of 1907.

A first prize of \$5 and a second prize of \$2 will be given for the best dozen ears of Indian corn; the best dozen heads of Kafir corn, milo maize or French maize; the best 50 more stalks of wheat; the best 50 or more stalks of barley; the best 50 or more stalks of alfalfa; the best 50 or more stalks of 90 millet; the largest half dozen sweet potatoes; the largest half dozen Irish potatoes; the largest pumpkin or squash; the largest head of cabbage; the largest turnip; the largest watermelon; the best half dozen apples; and the best half dozen peaches.

Any farmer from Lake Arthur to Lakewood and west to the mountains may enter the contest.

The contest will be decided by five judges whose names will be announced later. Contest will close Oct. 15, 1907.

DOLLAR ROLL SOCIAL

Interesting Experiences in Earning Dollars As Told by Ladies of the Church in Rhymes.

Quite a nice little affair, was the "Dollar Roll Social" given at the Christian church Monday evening, by the ladies of the church.

The ladies told in poetry the manner in which they made their dollar, which was very interesting, and some quite amusing. Most of the ladies agreed with Mrs. Fatheree, who says, 'She would rather at any time earn a dollar than make a rhyme.'

W. E. Ragsdale, Prof. Daly and E. L. Robertson served as judges. Mrs. C. L. Heath received first honors and Mrs. McClay second.

The ladies served fruit punch and wafers to all.

G. O. D. B.

Owing to the illness of one of the most enthusiastic members, matters in the G. O. D. B. circles have moved rather slowly during the past week. The interest, however, has in no wise abated and many have exhibited a disposition to avail themselves of the opportunity afforded to improve their condition by casting their lots with the originators of the scheme.

Several former residents of the town, hearing of the movement, have promptly returned. A former druggist returned shortly after last week's issue of the paper and a resident of the Cottonwood district who has been in Kansas for some weeks, arrived the first of the week. A real estate man who had located at San Antonio, Texas has suddenly discovered that business required his presence in this locality, and it is rumored that an important position of trust at Amarillo will be vacant by the last of the week.

Questions of great importance are now occupying the minds of the members. Permanent officers are to be elected in the near future and there is a diversity of opinion as to who is best fitted and most worthy to fill these important positions. Lake Wood, Hagerman an Artesia each have a candidate for the office for president and there is a disposition on the part of some to extend the territory and offer the presidency to a prominent former Territorial officer who, because of his varied and extensive experience is well fitted for the position. This, we understand, is objected to by some local members who claim that neither wealth, prominence nor previous experience gives precedence to age.

The News is promised the list of officers for next week's issue.

POSTPONED GAITIES

Alfalfa Festival Not to be Held Until Fall—Time Too Short and too Near Fourth of July.

On account of the short time in which to prepare for the Alfalfa Festival and the time set being so near the Fourth of July, it was thought best to postpone this event until some convenient time in the fall.

Artesia wishes to be fitly represented at the Irrigation celebration and the two coming so close together, the one will conflict with the other. We will take more time and when we do celebrate, we will let the world and Oklahoma know that it is on.

Our citizens subscribed very generously to the festival fund so there will be little trouble along that line when the opportune time arrives.

It is now up to us to make a creditable showing at Carlsbad and we doubt not that Artesia will do herself honor. The time is short, however, and it behooves us to get busy.

Change of Owners.

Matters have been a little lively in Artesia during the past week. There are two new firms in town and arrangements are being made for the remodeling of one business room and for the construction of another one.

Owing to ill health, J. R. Blair decided some time ago to sell his hardware and implement store which was purchased last week by Fatheree & Enfield. Mr. Fatheree sold his interest in a drug store here a few weeks ago but after spending some time in looking for a location decided that there was no better place than Artesia and so bought into this store. Mr. Enfield will remain cashier of the Bank of Artesia and his partner will have immediate charge of the store.

J. R. Blair is one of the most capable and enterprising business men of the town and it is a matter of regret that he is not to remain in business. We are pleased to learn that he will still remain in Artesia as this climate appears to agree with him and he has other interests here.

Birth Day Party.

A number of people from both the town and country assembled at the home of J. A. Bruce east of town Wednesday of this week to assist in celebrating the eighty-fifth birthday of Mr. Bruce's mother, Mrs. Hoagland.

It has been the custom for some years for the neighbors and friends to pay their respects to Mrs. Hoagland and at this time quite a number of our citizens went out to offer congratulations and to partake of the sumptuous dinner always served upon this occasion.

As we go to press just after noon on Wednesday, we are unable to give a detailed account of this pleasant gathering.

Coming and Going.

When you come into town, L. W. Martin is ready to insure your goods, and when you get ready to leave he is on hand to issue you an accident policy. Martin, first, last and all the time.

Attention.

Good Oklahoma property to trade for Artesia property. See L. W. Martin.

When you are in need of plumbing work or plumbing supplies, see Fatheree & Enfield, successors to J. R. Blair. 371f

Early Shipments.

For nearly a month, Artesia has not only had enough but has had to spare and has shipped several car loads of alfalfa to other less favored points. This shows conclusively the superiority of an irrigated district over the one that depends entirely upon the natural rainfall.

The fact that we are shipping most of the alfalfa south, shows that it is not a question of latitude. We simply have the water here at the required time and in sufficient quantities to serve our needs, and the results are apparent.

One good harvest is at hand; is almost over, and we may reasonably expect at least three more crops more abundant than the present one.

Here is to Artesia, surrounded by big wells and much water, where field and garden products come early and stay late, where the harvest moon shines four times a season and where health, sunshine and prosperity abound twelve months in the year.

THE MUSICAL RECITAL

Mrs. McCrary's Music Class Gave Recitals on May 16 and 20—Good Attendance at Both.

The pupils of Mrs. McCrary's music class gave two public recitals at the Presbyterian church, the one Thursday evening, May 16 and the other Monday evening May 20.

The exercises were excellent throughout and showed untiring effort on the part of the pupils and efficient and well directed instruction by the teacher. The performers received many compliments and Mrs. McCrary certainly understood that the audience and especially the parents of the pupils, appreciated her efforts, and recognized her ability to develop latent musical talent. She has every reason to congratulate herself upon the success of these two entertainments.

The "Statuary" was an important feature and attracted much attention. Notwithstanding the fact that there were several other gatherings Monday evening, there was a good crowd in attendance and they certainly enjoyed the program.

Dragon-Flat Irrigation Co.

The following articles of incorporation have been filed in the office of Territorial Secretary J. W. Reynolds:

"The Dragon-Flat Irrigation Company. Principal place of business at Artesia, Eddy county, Territorial agent, John B. Crain, at Artesia. Capital stock \$14,000 divided into one thousand, four hundred shares of the par value of \$10 each. Object, operating waterworks system for irrigation and domestic purposes. Period of existence, fifty years. Incorporators John B. Crain, Wm. P. Runnels, Wilbur R. Friermood, Charles E. Reeves, Thomas D. Carter, and Wayland Norris, all of Artesia, and Willard W. Sedler, of Hope.

We are agents for Deering binders, mowers, also Deering binder twine, Fatheree & Enfield.

This is graduating week at the Roswell Military Academy. Dr. Wm. F. Slocum of Colorado delivers the address.

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Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Goodlette, of Ozlan, Ark., are here on a prospecting tour.

For Rent—One good piano. Apply to J. E. Swebston, office in rear of Bank of Artesia. 371f

IT WAS A SHAME

The Score in the Slugging Match Was 17 to 9—Clodhoppers vs. Dudes This Afternoon.

A good crowd turned out to see the home team whupped the visitors last Thursday and they were not disappointed. The score stood 17 to 10 in favor of Artesia and the way the ball was knocked and jarred around was a sin and shame. The Lake Arthur boys pulled in two runs in the first inning and then things began to look red. Everybody hit the ball and we agree with T. Turner when he says, "Practice Up." The prettiest play in the game was made by Ben Easley who froze on to a hot one on second and tated the man between first and second, getting the ball to Baker in time to put another visitor to the bad.

The game was easy for Artesia and the only explanation possible for the first nine runs made by Lake Arthur was that our boys underestimated their opponents. The team expects to go to Dexter before long and show the people there what base ball means.

Clodhoppers vs. Dudes.

The Agriculturists and effete city Dudes will cross bats at the ball park today and the public is invited to attend what will no doubt be the most interesting game of the season even if it is not the most scientific. The regular admission will be charged and the proceeds will go to the Artesia Regulars. Turn out and see a good game and have an afternoon fun. We don't wish to give away any secrets but the sporting editor is betting on the Clodhoppers and would advise others to do likewise.

The lineup is as follows:

Clodhoppers	ss	Dudes
Cline	1b	Cohen
Crabtree	2b	Armstrong
Langford	3b	Johnson
Wingfield	2b	Crisman
Erb	c	Rhee
Watkins	rf	Sewell
F. C. Nole	lf	Muncy
Wittig	cf	McBride
		Clayton

We have a nice line of gasoline stoves that are going at a bargain. Get one before they are all gone. Fatheree & Enfield, successors to J. R. Blair.

Miss Ora Claud, of Dallas, Texas, came in last Friday to visit Mrs. J. P. Dyer. She will return home today.

Screen wire and gasoline stoves are a summer necessity. Supply your wants in these lines at Fatheree & Enfield.

We do all kinds of tin and plumbing work. Fatheree & Enfield.

The Roswell Board of Education met Monday night and elected a full corp of teachers for the ensuing year, except principal of the North Hill School. The salaries range from \$60 to \$90 per month.

As we go to press a fine rain is falling up in the mountains and is reported coming this way. If you see people carrying umbrellas before you read this you will know that said storm has arrived and that the rainy season is at hand.

J. B. Enfield has sold his residence to J. R. Blair and is storing his household goods in a room over the Bank of Artesia.

Prof. Brown is moving into a house just east of the school building.

We commenced harvesting alfalfa April 29, and the first car was shipped May 3. From May 3 to May 23, nineteen days; there were 29 cars of alfalfa shipped to other points. We challenge the southwest for an equal record.

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UNCLE Johnnie Kingstom has sold all his property and other interests in Roswell and is leaving the town for good, he says. He was in a bad state of mind when he left this morning and had only bitter words for the place he has called home for many years. He said: "Why, no, I will never return to this place. The people here are the meanest I ever saw, and I was counted the meanest man in Kansas in its worst days. I couldn't hold a candle to the people of Roswell. They have robbed me of sums all the way from a two-cent stamp to thousands of dollars. No, I'll never come back."—Roswell Record.

And the editor of the Record has been holding up his hands in unholy horror at grafting

THERE are at least fifty homes in this town in which the News is not read. We are sending out a number of sample copies this week every one of which is an invitation to become a subscriber. In a short time we will commence the publication of a serial story from the pen of that gifted writer, Thomas W. Lawson, and you can not afford to miss a single installment of it. Our list is growing rapidly. Today (Friday) we have enrolled eight new subscribers and it is well known that we make no special effort to secure them. We do not claim superiority over other papers of the Valley but we do assert that the News is well worth the price of subscription. Give it a trial.

THE sensational discovery on the occasion of their meeting at Jamestown, that the governor of North Carolina and the governor of South Carolina are tetterlers, causes the Boston Globe to ask how many governors are on the water wagon. Kansas has one and Indiana another. Cummins, of Iowa, is a tetterler. In fact, out in this section the only governor known not to be of folk of Missouri. The entire Kansas delegation in congress, both houses, are tetterlers. Is there any other state that can match such a record? Topeka Capital.

REV. E. McQUEEN GRAY, after sixteen years residence in the United States as a British subject, has at last concluded to become naturalized, and the Record intimates that his efforts are to be directed toward the purification of territorial politics. We suppose that the reverend gentleman made his initial effort when he stated at Santa Fe that the wells around Artesia were failing.

A SPECIAL session of the legislature will insure the creation of Artesia county. Hon. Carl A. Dadies, who opposed the measure in order to secure assistance in the moving of the county seat from Estancia to Willard, is dead and Hon. J. O. Cameron is moving from the Territory so that the opposition in the Council is decreased by two at least.

NEW MEXICO grafters can not hope to escape a house-cleaning movement that extends from New York to San Francisco.—Record.

House cleaning progressing finely in New Mexico, George, water being heated now in the Bureau of Immigration room.

SAN JUAN county has been trying to attach herself to Colorado with the result that when that state suffered a fall of snow last week, the San Juan country was visited by a killing frost. Better remain at home in the Sunshine Territory.

The cold weather and very late spring in the north should result in a larger immigration to New

Mexico this fall. We must not hide our light under a bushel but rather let the people of the north know that we have sunshine and to spare.

THE first page of last week's issue was badly marred by the poor cut of Mr. Lawson. He has not been shot through the head and heart as the cut seemed to indicate. Read the story, you will find it of more than ordinary interest.

THE famous Kansas-Nebraska water case has been decided by the United States Supreme Court. Justice Brewer decided that Kansas had a right to serve petition when it can be shown that the state is being injured.

In trying to suppress the President, the Morning Journal has undertaken a huge contract. Better try to make good on what you have already tackled, Mr. Mac, as "too many irons spoil the cook" you know.

TO-DAY, there are sixteen "fast growing towns" in New Mexico. All but Artesia are vain boasters and should be brought to a proper realization of their unwarranted pretensions.

EDITOR GEORGE should be supremely happy in the fact that their new superintendent comes from Texas. This should result in the postponement of annexation for a time at least.

THE roller skate craze has recently reached the "outlying territories" and the residents of those regions are enjoying themselves as other people did some twenty years ago.

THE Roswell Record can now sympathize with the Iowa lawyer who said: "The Lord is certain of most things but a petit jury and a school board." Keep him guessing.

IT is no joke when we say that the Portales Times does a "land office" business. That paper carries more legal notices than any other paper south of Amarillo.

THE Record is still worrying lest the republicans will not be satisfied with the democratic governor. Calm yourself, Editor George, we will try to stand it if you will.

THE Record and the Morning Journal are anything but evangelistic in their actions toward the "gang." They should preach repentance instead of total oblivion.

FORTY-SEVEN immigrant cars have been unloaded at this place so far this year to say nothing of those who may have come in by the prairie schooner route.

WANTED—A real live "Witch of Endor" capable of defining the political complexion of Capt George Curry. Report at once at the Roswell Record office.

ROSWELL pays only \$105 a month for a superintendent of city schools while Artesia pays \$125; this shows our superiority over Roswell.

THE wheat market is "raging." The price advanced eleven cents in one day last week, as the result of unfavorable weather in the north.

THE editorial broth ladled out by the funny man of the Morning Journal is getting rather thin. Please stir in something new.

ONE distinction we are compelled to forego, Artesia is too young to claim Haywood as a former resident.

Of course Jerome would postpone the Thaw trial until after the Haywood grand. Jerome wants no division of public interest.

J. J. HAGBERMAN, of Roswell, has resigned his position as Water Commissioner of the Territory.

Why Dogs Turn Around

A little boy once asked his mother why Bruno, his dog, always turned himself around several times before he finally settled down to sleep, and perhaps those of you who own a dog have noticed him doing the same thing and have wondered about it.

Now, if you had ever seen a fox settling himself to sleep you would find him also turning himself round and round several times, sinking lower with each turn, until he almost spins about on the ground in the place where he is going to make his bed.

The fox does this in order to smooth down the twigs and grass that may be underneath him and also to stroke out his long hair the right way, so that it will keep out the cold and wet. His legs, which have no heavy fur or hair on them, are folded up inside, and his mouth, nose and eyes are protected by his large bushy tail, which he curls about him and which serves him for a pillow and comfortable at the same time.

Dogs, as you perhaps know, are cousins to the fox. In the long, long ago they, too, were wild and lived in the forest, where, like the fox, they made their beds in the cold and wet and curled their bodies to keep themselves warm.

And now, though they have lived so long with men and do not need to sleep in the old way, they have not forgotten their old habit, and we may often see them turn themselves around even on a floor close to a fire, and I think, if you care to watch, you will find them always doing so when they are obliged to sleep out in the cold.—Ex.

A Grand Hunt.

Promptly at 6:30 o'clock Thursday evening a bunch of brave hunters consisting of Elmer Feemster, E. W. Kemp, H. H. Hess, C. S. Davis, W. A. Swingle and the editor of this paper, pulled out of Artesia for the Great Beyond, that is the great beyond the Rio Pecos. They were armed to the teeth with slingshots, clubs, rocks and butcher knives, and in case of necessity they took along a goodly supply of provisions. Before they reached the river Young Wilbur began to howl for something to eat and as he was not riding in the dining car, he was forced to pull in his belt a notch or two and let it go at that. After crossing the river the grub box was opened and a large cake extracted which was to keep him still until the outfit arrived two miles this side of Gasoline. There he was appointed head cook and instructed to get supper sudden like.

We would faintly say that it was a grand and noble hunt; that the bears and buffalo stumbled over each other in their efforts to get in front of the missiles, but alas, it was not anything like that. The entire roundup showed about eight rabbits, of the cottontail variety, one dead coyote, one dead bob cat and four live kittens. The kittens caused all kinds of trouble at first but were always satisfied if Elmer Feemster was taking care of them, so it was turned over to him. The little cats were young but they had strong lusty voices alright.

Once during the hunt a coyote was sighted about fifty yards from the buggy in which Feemster, Kemp and yours truly were riding. It was a glorious moment Harry and Charley were just behind them on horseback and the coyote was ours. Everybody jumped out and began to shoot and the horses went one way and the coyote the other. As our attention was divided, both got away. The baby bob cats were in the buggy and Harry Hess did the great lifesaving act, bringing the horses back after a chase of about a half a mile.

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Irrigation Celebration

Carlsbad, New Mexico, July 3-4-5, 1907

It is the first of its kind that has occurred since Noah and his family held high jinks on Mt. Arrarat. It will be held under authority of Joint Resolution No. 7, passed by the Thirty-Seventh Legislative Assembly, approved March 21, 1907. It will commemorate the first delivery of water in New Mexico under the Rio Hondo Project at Roswell, the Carlsbad Project at Carlsbad, and the work of Construction on the Elephant Butte Project on the Rio Grande.

The People of the Territory of New Mexico

Will be given an opportunity to show their appreciation of the benefits resulting from the Reclamation Act, approved by Congress June 17, 1902,

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NEWS NOTES

C. F. Mann was looking after business in Roswell Monday.

Rev. Lukins, the Presbyterian evangelist, returned to his home in Roswell Monday morning.

H. L. Muncy left Tuesday morning for Amarillo, Texas, to look after the interests of the Farmers Land League of which he is the field manager.

Miss Clayton is visiting friends in Roswell this week.

L. T. Belt went to Hagerman Tuesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Clayton went up to Roswell Tuesday to make proof on their homestead, which lies just south of Dayton.

F. S. Brooks, Traveling Passenger Agent of the Santa Fe System, spent Monday evening in Artesia and left Tuesday morning for Ft. Worth, Texas.

Mac Osborn, the Artesia pitcher, was called upon to help out the N. M. L. against the Albuquerquian team. Mac's strong right arm is well known up and down the Valley but they prefer to play with it instead of against it.

Chester Dublin came into town last week from Corsicana, Texas, where he has been working for some time. He is now on the Mull well rig.

Judge A. V. Logan of the firm of Osborn & Logan has been appointed a notary public by Acting Governor J. W. Reynolds.

A. Connor spent Monday with friends in Roswell.

Mrs. S. E. Champion and Miss Esther Brown spent last week visiting friends in Roswell. They returned Sunday.

Mrs. H. T. Peck left last Sunday for a visit with friends and relatives in Wichita, Kansas.

Mr. and Mrs. Phillips visited in Lake Arthur Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Idler.

R. E. Davis went up the road as far as Roswell last Sunday.

Prof. Stephenson made a trip to Lake Arthur the first of this week.

Three irrigating companies have been incorporated recently for the purpose of bringing water from the Penasco river eastward toward Artesia. The reclaiming of the valuable farming land between here and Hope will give a wonderful impetus to the development of the Valley.

The Board of Pharmacy met at Roswell Monday.

Gov. Hagerman returned to his home at South Springs Sunday evening. He will remain at home for some time.

E. F. Hardwick is here this week looking after business interests.

W. D. Hedrick and wife of Roswell were down a part of this week mingling pleasure with business.

R. V. Work of Roswell is working for S. A. Butler.

H. W. Gooch, of Albin, Kansas, arrived Saturday night to look over the country with a view to investment.

Miss Ruth Benson, who has been here for some time with her uncle, George Cleveland, returned to her home at Austin, Texas, last Saturday.

See notice elsewhere of the summer school to commence at the school building next Monday morning.

If current reports are true there will be "something doing" at the next meeting of the city council. Well so be it. We have great faith in the judgment of the council and believe that they are as progressive in the improvement of the city as circumstances will permit.

Mrs. Louis Feemster left yesterday for Fulton, Kansas, to visit friends and relatives.

S. A. Butler returned Wednesday morning from a business trip to Carlsbad.

Dr. Richardson spent Monday in Roswell looking after business interests. He is managing the Pecos Valley Drug Co's. store at Artesia during the absence of E. E. McNatt.

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AGENTS FOR
STUDEBAKER WAGONS and BUGGIES

Immigration into New Mexico.

The fact that homeseekers are coming to eastern New Mexico in great numbers and are making entries on the public domain is attracting attention all over the country and is advertising of the best kind, that helps in swelling this tide. Central New Mexico should also come in for some note in this matter. For instance the records of the Santa Fe land office for the first ten days of this month show 185 homestead entries and since the first of the year in the district a total of 942 homestead entries is recorded. The Santa Fe land district comprises the north central and northwest portions of the Territory. In this section a small part of the county of Guadalupe, all of the county of Torrance, and all of the county of Santa Fe, are included, and in these three the largest number of entries appears. At the rate that homestead and desert land entries of the public domain in these counties are being made the available government land will soon be a thing of the past. Regarding the influx into the more eastern counties of New Mexico, namely: Union, Quay, Roosevelt, Chaves and Eddy, the El Paso Herald editorially says:

"During the first three months of the present year nearly 600 cars of immigrant outfits were unloaded at stations in the Pecos Valley, according to the traffic manager of the Peavine.

"The figure is to be contrasted with the 175 cars unloaded at the same stations during the same period of last year.

"The movement of homeseekers into the Pecos Valley, and into the Panhandle of Texas, during the last two years has been one of the marvels of western development. One would think, to see the Kansas City depot jammed day and night with emigrants, and to see the trainloads of household and farm chattels awaiting disposal in the promised land, that half the population of the United States had all at once been dispossessed by a foreign invader and forced to seek new abiding places.

"All the railroads are working hard to promote the movement of immigrants into New Mexico and Texas. They can afford to carry them cheaply in large bodies, for every family settling on land tributary to their roads means a steady income from traffic for all time to come.

"It will be a wonder if New Mexico does not show the coveted 500,000 by the time of the 1910 census." - New Mexican.

Fairbanks Applauds Roosevelt.

In his address before the Grant club at Des Moines, Ia., Vice President Fairbanks paid a glowing tribute to General Grant. Referring to President Roosevelt he said:

"We applaud President Roosevelt for what he has so splendidly done. He has well interpreted the public interests, and we are resolved to uphold his hands to the utmost in the accomplishment of his work in the interest of justice and fair dealing in trade and commerce. We are in the midst of a widespread moral awakening. We are in a day when men must take thought of each other and when there can be no unrestrained power among those agencies which are engaged in our upbuilding. Justice must rule. That is the righteous and imperative demand of the people. Justice in trade and justice in commerce. Justice to labor and justice to capital.

"Justice is the north star in the firmament of our purpose, and it must guide our feet. It is a dull man who does not realize that we are in the midst of a peaceful evolution which is making for a better understanding in the world of trade and commerce, and he is dull indeed who does not realize the potential fact that the evolution is irreversible."

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BUSINESS LOCALS

Millet seed for sale at the Artesia Milling Co.

When in need of anything in the grain line try the Artesia Milling Co. They will treat you right. 26f

I am prepared to do plowing or ditching for assessment or crops. 18-1f-24
M. O. Tuttle.

J. P. Dyer handles the famous Blue Ribbon School Shoe, "best on earth." You will never regret purchasing a pair of them. 1f

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Two cars of Oklahoma corn for sale at the Artesia Milling Co.

Mexican Seed June corn for sale by the Artesia Milling Co.

Transfer Line.

I am prepared to do all kinds of hauling. When in need of such work, phone No. 24. When not busy, I will found in front of Porter & Beekhams. 1f
T. T. Kuykendall.

Houses to Rent.

We have several good houses to rent. Swebstion & Orr.

A Bargain.

For sale—1 five room house, 1 four room house and three lots, close in, all for \$2,500.
L. W. Martin

For Sale

at a bargain, a small tract of land near town. See 35f
L. W. Martin.

Wanted To trade a fine quarter section of desert land for a small stock of goods. Inquire at the NEWS office. 35f

See Lee Turknett's new ad and be sure to try a case of soda pop only seventy-five cents per case. 14

Try an ad in the NEWS if you would attract attention and secure results.

\$1,000 to loan on real estate. See L. W. Martin. 35f

When you are thirsty drop in at the City Drug Store and get some thing cool.

Try a case of soda pop two dozen bottles for 75c. Lee Turknett.

A good second hand Wheelock piano for sale. \$100 down or \$125 on easy payments. To be seen at Mrs. Jacobson's. Inquire or phone Mrs. McCrary. 35f

A new piano of the best brand for sale or will trade for horse and buggy or light wagon.

Bernard Pos, Roswell, N. M. 35f

The City Drug Store has in stock, Welch's Grape Juice, Soda water and all kinds of cool drinks to make you forget the warm weather.

Two carloads of northern corn and kafir corn just received at the Artesia Milling Co. 1f

It's hot but if you want something cooling go to the City Drug Store. All kinds of soft drinks.

Wanted—Man with team to break up land near Artesia and to take nursery stock in part or full payment for the work. 34f
A. T. Reamer, Auline, Kan.

Notice for Publication.

Desert Land—Final Proof United States Land Office, Roswell, N. M., April 20, 1907. Notice is hereby given that Sarah E. Bell, of Hope, N. M., has filed notice of her intention to make proof on her desert land claim No. 1296, for the 8 1/2, 8 1/2, and 8 1/2 R. W. Secs. 29, T. 7 S., R. 2 E., before the Register or Receiver at Roswell, N. M., on Saturday, the 9th of June 1907. He names the following witnesses to prove the complete irrigation and reclamation of said land: Joe H. Hood, Thomas Brazil, Dan Beckett, Pete Hinkley, all of Hope, N. M. Howard Letland, Register.

Notice for Publication.

Desert Land—Final Proof United States Land Office, Roswell, N. M., April 20, 1907. Notice is hereby given that Nils O. Stricks, of Madison, Wis., assignor of Frank C. Strawn, has filed notice of intention to make proof on his desert land claim No. 1180, for the 8 1/2 Sec. 18, T. 7 S., R. 2 E., before the Register or Receiver at Roswell, N. M., on Friday, the 14th day of June 1907. He names the following witnesses to prove the complete irrigation and reclamation of said land: Eugene F. Hardwick, of Roswell, N. M.; Samuel A. Butler, of Artesia, N. M.; G. A. Richardson, of Roswell, N. M.; Gayle Talbot, of Artesia, N. M. Howard Letland Register.

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a Singer Sewing machine for good driving horse. Apply at the 2f Singer Sewing Machine Office.

For Sale.

A quarter section of land, six miles from town. Good prospect for water and easy to irrigate. Inquire at the NEWS office. 1f

Wanted—Plastering and brick laying. All work guaranteed. John Wake & Co. Hope, New Mexico. 36f

For Sale—All my furniture and chickens. Apply at the Chapman residence. C. C. Mull. 36f

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Masonic Meeting At Carlsbad, May 26-25

For the above occasion tickets will be on sale at rate of \$1.75 for the round trip. Selling dates: May 24-25, 1907. Final return limit May 26, 1907. Children: the rate for children between the ages of five and twelve years will be one half of the adult rate. C. O. Brown, Local Ag't.

Transplanting Trees.

Every fall and spring thousands of trees are sacrificed to careless methods of planting. Many persons seem to imagine that any old way of setting out a tree will do; and in consequence they see their trees die and wonder what is the matter. The two great things to be observed in transplanting trees are: first, to see that there is the proper proportion between the top and proper proportion to give the roots plenty of room and firm the soil closely about them. The roots of a tree usually extend out to a distance equal to or greater than the height of a tree; and when a tree is dug up most of these roots are necessarily cut off. It may be easily seen that the top should be cut back in something like the same degree. In setting out trees be sure and dig a hole big enough to contain all the roots without crowding or doubling them. Cut off all broken or bruised roots. Set the tree just an inch or so deeper than it was before transplanting. Puddle the roots well; and do not try to do the work when the

A Common Sense View.

"Father, I would like to see you in the library on a matter of business."

"Very well, Viola, come along. Now then, what is it?"

"Father, you are aware that Harry Wilkins has been paying me his attentions the last year?"

"Yes, and I've felt like licking him! The idea of a Wilkins daring to aspire to the hand of a Grafton!"

"He asked me to be his wife."

"The scoundrel! Why, I'll—"

"And I've almost promised," she placidly continued.

"What! What! My daughter marry a Wilkins on \$25 a week? Never. Go to your room while I seek out this base adviser—"

"Father, I want to talk real business to you," she interrupted. "Have you seen the marriage statistics of London for the last year?"

"No, of course not! The idea of Harry Wilkins skulking around after my—"

"Wait! According to the statistics, this city has 871,240 more females than males. There are 225,890 more marriageable girls than can find husbands, to say nothing of 182,321 widows, who are very anxious for a No. 2. The number of young men in London earning over \$15 a week, and in the market, is only 22,107. There are after these young men exactly 220,000 young women and 150,000 widows. Three out of every five children born are girls. Death removes two young men to one married man or old bachelor."

The old man turned pale and grasped a chair for support. After a pause she continued:

"From June to October over 80,000 marriageable young women visit fashionable watering places and it is estimated that 31,442 of them catching husbands, thus further reducing the chances of a resident cockney. Father take this pencil and figure out your Viola's chances of catching another man if she lets Harry Wilkins canter away."

"Great Jimminy," he gasped figuring for a moment. "Why your chances are only one in 21,875,945."

"Just as I figured it out. What shall I say to him this evening?"

"Say! Say! Why tell him you'll have him and be mighty glad of the chance, and don't let him draw a long breath before you add that the ceremony can take place right after breakfast tomorrow morning, and that I am to give you a wedding present of \$500 in cash."—Tit-Bits.

ground is too wet to work. Spread the roots out in their natural position as far as you can; and tamp or tramp the earth firmly about each one, beginning at the bottom. Do not fill the hole full of dirt and then pound it down a little on top. There is little danger of getting the soil in too solid if care is taken not to skin or bruise the roots. One man with a round end tamping stick may pack the earth around the roots while another shows it in. Small trees are usually cut back after planting, as they can then be shaped up better; but where they are of any considerable size they should be trimmed before they are set out. See that the soil is high enough about the trees to prevent the water from settling around the trunk. This is a matter that should also be looked after for the winter. Attention to these simple details would save the lives of many of the trees that die each year. — E. E. Miller, Tenn.

Bank to Scatter Man's Ashes.

The National Bank of Pierce City, Mo., has received from the crematory in St. Louis the urn containing the ashes of D. J. Green, who died several weeks ago, and the ashes will be scattered on the waters of Clear Creek with public ceremony if his relatives in Germany do not claim them. This is to be done in accordance with the terms of Mr. Green's will.

Assessment Work.

All kinds of assessment work, plowing, ditching, fencing, etc., at reasonable prices. Write J. H. Naylor, 36f Artesia, N. M.

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HUGH M. GAGE, Cashier.

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NEWS NOTES

Mrs. J. R. Blair has gone to Claremont, Cal., where she will visit for two months and then bring her two daughters home with her.

Prof. Stephenson is now employed in the office of the Pecos Valley Immigration Co.

Postmaster Harry W. Hamilton spent several days since our issue looking after his business interests near Cloudcroft.

C. W. Beeman, of Malaga, member of the Board of Control of the irrigation celebration to be held at Carlsbad, was in town Friday in the interest of that event. Mr. Beeman is working energetically to secure the co-operation of all the towns of the Valley and his efforts appear to be successful.

Mrs. A. M. King went to Lake Arthur Friday.

Jack Porter and family took the train Friday for their new home in El Paso, Texas, where Mr. Porter will engage in the hardware business.

Dr. Stoker started for Mexico Friday evening.

Ivan Douglas came into town last week from one of the ranches across the river and the most noticeable thing about him was the goatee and freckles cut after the melodrama william style. If Ivan's folks, back in Old Kentucky could get a look at him now they would think he was a sure enough bad man.

The epidemic of hurstide adornment has Artesia in its grip. The latest victim is Dr. Baker.

The boys on the Mull well rig pulled out for Dayton Sunday evening to join the outfit. They are working on the land owned by Walker & Lamb.

Lake Arthur now boasts a fine grand stand built by the base ball boys.

The tower of the Mertz well rig was blown down last week near Lake Arthur.

Lake Arthur is trying to lay claim to E. J. Feemster. He belongs to Artesia and is an enthusiastic member of the worthy order G. O. D. B., to participate in the organization of which he so hurriedly returned from the north.

Attorney J. B. Atkinson spent a part of last week attending court at Roswell.

Lake Arthur has decided not to celebrate the Fourth of July but to join with Carlsbad in the Irrigation celebration.

Mrs. E. Robin has gone to Everette, Mich., to visit her parents.

Mrs. W. H. Graham left Friday of last week to visit at Kento, Ok.

Wood Cope of Roswell visited friends here last week.

W. D. Ross, of Veasales, Mo., arrived last week to visit his brother, Dr. R. M. Ross.

Mrs. J. C. Gage visited in Carlsbad last week.

Mrs. Southland and Miss Haskin arrived last week from Arizona and will make their future home at this place.

Rev. E. Ward of Hope was in town Sunday and Monday renewing old acquaintances.

We enrolled fifteen new subscribers in two days last week. It was a good day for those subscribers.

Dr. Inman is remodeling the room lately vacated by the pool hall. He will extend the building back making it 80 feet in length and will put in a new front, paper and repaint thus making it a commodious store room.

Artesia is to have a new store room where the one now occupied by Mr. Ragsdale stands. The old building is to be torn away and a two story one erected in its place. The upper room is to be used as a lodge hall.

S. A. Butler made a business trip to Lake Arthur Saturday.

Dr. King, Osteopath physician, formerly located at this place, is now a resident of Carlsbad.

Party at Mrs. Pomeroy's Tuesday evening, May 28. Ice cream and cake 15 cents. Given by the B. Y. P. U.

The B. Y. P. U. requests your presence at a lawn social to be given at the residence of Mrs. Pomeroy's Tuesday evening, May 28.

Several thousand acres of land will be reclaimed by the two canals coming east from the Pecos river.

Geo. W. Calkins, of Lakewood, was in town Friday morning arranging to make final proof on his homestead west of town.

E. F. Hardwick returned to Roswell Thursday morning after spending several days looking after business interests here.

Mrs. John Majors left Thursday morning for various points in Texas where she will visit for two months.

Mrs. J. W. Price left Thursday for a visit with relatives and friends in Texas.

For Sale—6-room house and 3 lots, fruit trees and alfalfa, close to a bargain if sold at once. L. W. Martin.

Select School.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will open a six week summer school at the Public School Building on Monday, May 27, 1907.

All pupils who failed to be promoted at the close of last term, April, 26, 1907, should embrace this opportunity and make up requisite grades. Special classes will also be organized for promoted pupils.

A teacher's class will be organized for those desiring to review

Financial Statement
OF THE
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OF CALIFORNIA

ASSETS

Cash, Bonds, Stocks, Mortgages and other approved Securities	\$5,772,374.28
LIABILITIES	
Reserve for additional dividend to San Francisco Claimants	\$ 650,000.00
Reserve for outstanding Losses	292,653.00
Reserve for unearned Premiums	2,702,606.75
Capital Stock paid in Cash	1,600,000.00
Surplus	528,114.53
	\$5,772,374.28
Surplus to Policy Holders	\$2,138,114.53

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C. L. Daly,
B. F. Brown.

New Teachers.

The board of education met last Friday morning and selected teachers for the ensuing year the slate being as follows:

Superintendent, C. L. Daly; Principal of High School, C. M. Botts; Miss Carrie Childress, 7 and 8 grades; Miss Alice Attebery, 5 and 6 grades; Miss Mary Heath, 3 and 4 grades; Mrs. C. M. Botts, 3; Miss Clara Williamson, 1 grade.

The election of Mr. Daly as superintendent was as much surprise to himself as it was to others as he had not aspired to the position. He is a worthy young man of exemplary habits and has been a resident of the Valley for some time.

Before coming to Artesia Mr. Daly taught at Seven Rivers. Last year he taught the third and fourth grades of Artesia Schools with marked success until the resignation of Mr. Foster when he was placed in charge of the eighth grade. His promotion since coming to Artesia is simply phenomenal and all school boards are not so capable and willing to recognize true merit. Mr. Botts is a stranger to most of us. He taught a school west of Hope last year.

Prof Powell of Carlsbad was in town the first of the week.

Several cars are being loaded with alfalfa here this week. Most of it is shipped to Carlsbad. Where is another community shipping out farm products at this season of the year?

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