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## FEDERAL GRAND JURY AS BUSY WEEK WORK IN ROSWELL SESSION

## Thirty-Two Indictments Are Returned Tuesday Night In Partial Report Of Jury—Petit Jury Will Convene Next Monday.

Thirty-two indictments were returned by the federal grand jury at Roswell in a partial report made Tuesday night. The grand jury is continuing its work and will make complete report later in the week, according to federal court officials. These against whom indictments were returned in the first report

Joe Ross, Joe Ryan, William Eugene Gonhue, Lawrence R. Ferguson, William B. Barnes, J. Elvie Smith, Charles B. Reid, L. E. Hunt, Verwin Schindler, Robert Williams, Walter Jones, Victor Jones, A. B. Huff, Harry F. Marshall, and Jack Neal Burns, all charged with violations of the Dyer act.

Louis Witcher, William Fleming, James L. James, charged with violation of the White Slave act.

Hugh Anderson, Antonio Bencomo, Eliza Ortega, Santiago Trujillo, James Frather, Albino Alvarez, Emeterio Gutierrez, Eugenio Blanco, charged with violations of the tariff act.

Jesus Chaves and Taribio Munos, charged with transportation of aliens.

Mrs. Ward Leslie, William Mente and Ramon Guerra, charged with violations of the national prohibition act.

Dr. Robert Kirkwood on two counts charged with the violation of the Harrison narcotic act.

Jose Acenado, charged with a violation of the immigration act and Jim Silago, charged with assault.

Lisha Leslie pleaded guilty to a charge of possession of liquor and was fined \$100 and costs. Ward Leslie pleaded guilty to a charge of possession and was given a fine of \$50 and costs. He also pleaded guilty to a charge of possession and transportation and was given a fine of \$100 on two counts.

Emma Leslie, who told the court she was a widow with six children, pleaded guilty to a charge of possession and sale and was placed on probation for a period of one year.

Diario Aragon, of San Miguel county, pleaded guilty to a charge of possession and transportation of intoxicating liquor on two counts and was given a fine of \$125 on each count.

A special venire of ten names was summoned yesterday morning with which to complete the petit jury panel. The petit jury will meet Monday morning for the trial of criminal and civil cases.

## LOCALS

W. W. Rester was in Roswell Tuesday.

Mrs. Brown is visiting in Roswell this week.

L. W. Garner is about again after having the flu.

H. C. Babb is out again after a ten day seige of flu.

Jim Briscoe, of Hope, was a Hagerman visitor Thursday.

The "filthy lucre" is the money that the other fellow has.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Andrus have moved into the Aubrey Evans house.

Perry Andrus has purchased A. L. Nail's interest in the Hagerman Service Station.

W. E. Bowen was on the streets Wednesday for the first time since his round of flu.

Taking beauty sleep is all right but buying it from the druggist is a whole lot quicker.

J. E. Cosper, of Four Sands, Texas came in Tuesday for a visit with his father, H. M. Cosper.

## CHANGE IN MANAGEMENT OF THE STAR CAFE

Mrs. V. O. Marrs and Mrs. Abbie McAllister took over the management of the Star Cafe last week; Mrs. Clyde Gant, lessee and former manager, having decided to retire from the business.

The new proprietors are well known to the people of Hagerman, and their friends here are glad to welcome them back to their accustomed place at the restaurant.

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## ALEXANDER WEBB IS FOUND DEAD IN HIS BED TUESDAY MORN.

Alexander Webb, age 78, a resident of the Upper Cottonwood community, was found dead in his bed at an early hour, Tuesday morning. The cause of his death is thought to have been due to heart failure. Mr. Webb had been a resident of the Cottonwood for the past two years and was well known in that community.

Surviving the deceased is a widow and two children. Funeral services will be held this afternoon in Lake Arthur at the Graveside, at 3:00 p. m.

—Artesia Advocate

## REED RESIDENCE IS DEMOLISHED BY FIRE AT MIDNIGHT FRIDAY

The old Reed residence on Mrs. G. R. Reed's farm near Greenfield, was totally destroyed by fire about midnight Friday night, and most of the household goods of R. C. Jernigan and Mr. Buchanan were also destroyed.

Mr. Jernigan had just moved in that day and Mr. Buchanan had not yet gotten all of his furniture out when the fire occurred.

The family retired about ten o'clock leaving some live coals in the fireplace, and about twelve they were awakened by the flames in the ceiling, which evidently had caught from a defective flue.

## SOCIETY ITEMS

### CELEBRATE GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. S. G. White, of Artesia, who have resided in the Pecos valley since 1904, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary at the home of their youngest child, Mrs. Frances Collins, at Hagerman, Wednesday.

The day was enjoyed with an elaborate turkey dinner and all the accompanying accessories to carry out this golden event.

Mr. and Mrs. White are the parents of ten living children, of whom only a few were able to be present at this celebration.

Numerous gifts suitable to the occasion were presented to Mr. and Mrs. White.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Montgomery, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar White and daughter, Mrs. Richard Carn, and Mrs. Scraggs, of Roswell; Mr. and Mrs. S. G. White, of Artesia and Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Collins, of Hagerman.

### MISS ELENORA PATRICK ENTERTAINS WITH PARTY

Miss Elenora Patrick entertained a few of her friends in her home Wednesday evening with an informal party. Bridge and other card games were played throughout the evening. Delicious home-made candy was served by the hostess to Misses Ava Lee Barnes, Pauline Robinson, Gladys McMains, Doris McVickers, Messrs. Audavee and Greer Clark, Shine Whitcombe, Clinton Locke, Barney Robinson and Johnnie Reid.

### LOCAL BOY SCOUTS

The local organization of the Boy Scouts postponed the meeting to have been held at the club room Thursday night, January 3rd, to Thursday night of this week.

### WOOL CLIP BRINGS \$600,000

Only a small amount of the 1928 wool clip stored in the Bond-Baker warehouse at Roswell remains unsold, says the Roswell record. The total clip amounted to approximately 2,000,000 pounds and sold for an average of 30 cents per pound, netting around \$600,000.

### SNOW IN MOUNTAINS

A comparatively light snow is reported to have fallen in the mountains west of Roswell, Tuesday night. The temperature here has remained fairly normal with warm days and cold nights. A light mist fell here Monday night for several hours, the first moisture for 1929.

### HAGERMAN CAGERS TO MEET ARTESIA FRIDAY

Unless sickness prevents the High school basketball quintette will meet Artesia on the local court tomorrow evening. A fast clean game is expected.

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## DEXTER NEWS

(Received too late for publication last week.)

Roy Bailey left Friday morning for Lubbock, Texas, on business.

Mrs. Jim Caffall and three daughters spent Friday in Artesia with Mrs. J. H. Southard.

Mr. Love, who has been very ill with the flu for the past two weeks, is improving.

Letha Rains, 6 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charley Rains, died Monday afternoon of flu-pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher, of McCamey Texas, were called here Saturday by the death of Mr. Fletcher's sister, Mrs. J. W. Taylor.

Betty Sue Miller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Miller, of Oklahoma, who are visiting in the Earl Wolf home, died Sunday night of flu-pneumonia, after a brief illness. The body was carried back to Oklahoma for interment.

### MRS. TAYLOR DIES

Mrs. J. W. Taylor, of this place, died last Saturday night of flu and pneumonia, after an illness of only a few days. She is survived by her husband and five small children.

Mr. Joe Winkler and son were Roswell visitors Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Wayne, of Tatum, are visiting Mrs. Wayne's parents Mr. and Mrs. C. T. McMains.

Members of the Wells family who were poisoned from milk from an alkali cow several days ago, are improving.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Southard, of Artesia have moved here where they will have charge of the Dexter Cash store.

J. A. Jackson received a message last Friday that his mother was very ill at Durant, Oklahoma, and he and Mrs. Jackson left at once for her bedside.

Mr. J. W. Taylor, who has been sick with the flu the past three weeks, was carried to the hospital at Roswell Sunday night. He had one seige, and thought he was well, then had a relapse, which was much worse than the first seige.

### TWO CAVENDERS HELD WITHOUT BOND FOR JIM BALLOU MURDER

R. H. and father Perry Cavender, were denied bond at a preliminary hearing at Carlsbad, Thursday before F. H. Richards, justice of the peace, on charge of murder of Jim Ballou here on December 24th. Gus Cavender's bond was set at \$3,000 which he has not made, according to an early report. Eugene Cavender, son of Gus Cavender, was freed of the murder charge.

R. H. and Perry Cavender will be held in the county jail at Carlsbad to await the action of the Eddy county grand jury, which convenes at Carlsbad in March.

Only four witnesses were used in the hearing, three witnesses were absent. One witness, S. W. Gilbert, who was summoned by the defense was used by the state. Other witnesses used were E. O. Neal and Tex Polk.

—Artesia Advocate

### COL. MCKINSTRY'S SALE WAS GREAT SUCCESS

Col. Thos. McKinstry's sale, held Tuesday of this week, was a success in every sense of the word. There was a good sized crowd in attendance, and the stuff sold for good prices.

Col. McKinstry knows how to sell stuff—and when he knows that he is selling a good collection—as he did Tuesday, he sure talks.

### MILLER DECLINES

Robt. N. Miller, formerly of this place, but now employed by the Pickwick Stage Co., in their office at Roswell, was tendered the position of assistant in the office of State Treasurer Emerson Watts, but declined the appointment.

No better selection could have been made by Mr. Miller, and while the friends of Mr. Miller in this section are rejoiced to know that he is not leaving the valley, yet they realize that the Treasurer's office is losing a valuable man by his declining the position.

Red, White, Blue and Yellow carbon paper for tracing on cloth.—The Messenger.

Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Wallace of Roswell spent Sunday in Dexter.

Mrs. H. L. Porter and daughter, Frances spent Sunday in Lake Arthur visiting relatives.

Robert McNeil returned to Las Vegas last week where he will re-enter normal university.

Mr. J. P. Shinneman from Lake Arthur, visited his daughter Mrs. H. L. Porter and family Monday night.

Miss Josephine Martin left Sunday for Knox college near Chicago, Illinois, where she will re-enter school.

J. W. Taylor who has been quite ill for several days with the flu was taken to St. Mary's hospital Sunday night.

Mrs. Darrel Davis has taken Mrs. Robert's position in H. Deck's store since the Robertsons are moving to Texas.

Mr. Carl Caruthers left Sunday for Las Vegas, where he will re-enter the normal university.

Miss Mariel Lamb who has been quite ill with the flu at her home in Roswell was unable to return to school until next week.

Misses Gretchen Mieling and Elizabeth Mehlhop and Mr. Jack Knight left Wednesday morning for A. & M. college at Las Cruces where they will re-enter school.

Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher O'Neal and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Taylor were called to Dexter from their home in McCamey, Texas by the death of their sister Mrs. J. W. Taylor.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Crain have moved to their home in town for the winter Mr. and Mrs. Schyler Smith Jr., are now living in the Lake Van club home.

Misses Grace Stanley and Alma Thompson and Mr. James McNeil left Thursday for Las Cruces where they accompanied Wyatt Stanley, who will re-enter school there. During their stay they visited El Paso and Juarez. They returned home Saturday morning.

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### THREE HELD WITHOUT BOND FOR MURDER OF MEXICAN AT CARLSBAD

Another preliminary hearing at Carlsbad Thursday, made a busy day for Justice Frank Richards, the latter being Miguel Martinez, Enrique Nunez and Francisco Griego, who were held on charge of murder of Jose Martinez on December 22nd. The principal evidence in the case against Martinez, Nunez and Griego for the killing of Jose Martinez, was a written confession of Martinez, who stated that he killed Jose Martinez, accidentally. He declares that he was shooting in the air, when he turned his gun inadvertently toward Jose and shot him. The others are charged with aiding in taking the Jose Martinez body to Miguel's house and later throwing it into the river, at two o'clock the following morning. One witness was shown in by the state and one by the defense. It was established that a group of four were arguing or quarreling at the time of the shooting.

All three men charged with the crime are held without bail to await the action of the grand jury.

### THE FLU SITUATION

Almost every family in the Hagerman community has had one or more cases of flu, but luckily none of the cases were fatal.

There were a number of deaths at Dexter and Greenfield, but none have been reported in this community to date. We hope that within a short time this epidemic will have entirely disappeared.

### LOCAL MAN HONORED

C. G. Mason, of this place, was recently elected to permanent membership in the National Funeral Directors' Association.

Not many small town undertakers are thus honored, and Mr. Mason is to be congratulated.

### SCHOOL OPENED MONDAY

The local school opened Monday, after having taken an extra week of holidays because of the flu epidemic here, and are now going right along with their work.

## NATURAL GAS TURNED INTO CITY MAINS AT CARLSBAD THURSDAY

Another city of the Pecos valley is now enjoying natural gas service. Regular service was inaugurated at Carlsbad Thursday when natural gas was turned into the city mains from the Artesia field. One hundred houses in the Cavern city have been piped for gas and many others are making connections. It is understood that the company officials contemplate extension of the line as far south as Loving.

It is understood that the Pecos Valley Gas Co., also plan to start construction on a line north to Roswell at an early date.

## CHAVES CO. SINGING CONVENTION HELD HERE IS WELL ATTENDED

The Chaves county singing convention held at Hagerman last Sunday was well attended, considering the sickness in the section.

Prof. John T. Taylor, of Clovis; Prof. F. Marshal, of Portales; and Prof. Deavers, of Snyder, Texas, were present with plenty of books, and with the aid of others present rendered some splendid vocal music.

All present enjoyed the services very much. The next session to be held at this place will be on the first Sunday in July. The singers plan to organize a class for practice and make the next session the best ever held.

J. S. R.

## AT THE CHURCHES

### PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The pastor, Rev. J. A. Hedges will preach in Dexter next Sunday morning and here in the evening, flu conditions seeming to warrant a commencement of the evening service. Sunday school and Christian Endeavor at the usual hours. Until there is a recovery of the many that are ill no definite program can be announced at this time. There has not been a family in the church or congregation that has not been visited by the flu and whooping cough and other ills. The most are on the way to recovery but some are yet seriously ill.

### CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Regular preaching services next Sunday at eleven o'clock by the pastor, sermon subject: The Fellowship of Suffering. This is an appropriate subject just at this particular time and is designed to be consoling and helpful to all, especially to all those who have had to bear recently, sickness, affliction or bereavement. Sunday school will meet at ten o'clock. We trust that the flu situation has sufficiently cleared up as to enable many who have been prevented from attending the house of worship to be present next Sunday. All are welcome.

C. C. HILL, Pastor.

### METHODIST CHURCH

Our services were very good last Sunday, despite the flu. We are very anxious that we now get back to normal again. Let's go beyond the hundred mark in Sunday school next Sunday. We appreciate having visitors Sunday, come again, you are not only welcome but wanted at all the services of the church.

A. E. WATFORD.

### TWO FIRES—NO LOSS

Last Friday night the fire alarm was sounded and the fire company called out to quench a fire that had gotten started in the pile of hulls and trash that has accumulated back of the Akin gin. The fire was put out before it had spread to the gin buildings and cotton yard.

Wednesday night of this week the fire broke out in the trash pile at the Farmers gin and the fire department was again called out to quench it.

### FARMERS PREPARING FOR THEIR NEXT CROP

Farmers in this section have begun breaking their land and preparing for the next crop. They know that in order to make a bale of cotton to the acre they must break their land early, irrigate early and conserve the moisture in the seed bed.

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## GOV. DILLON READS HIS ANNUAL MESSAGE TO STATE LEGISLATURE

### Recommends An Effective Prohibition Law — The Removal Of Land Office, And School Supt. Office From Politics.

SANTA FE.—A broad program of legislation was mapped out for the ninth legislature after it convened Tuesday by Governor R. C. Dillon in his annual message.

The governor recommended the passage of an effective prohibition law, and his pronouncement was taken to mean that he was dissatisfied with the present "one-quit" law and would welcome its repeal.

The governor also advocated removal of the state land office and department of education from politics in accordance with the proposal of the New Mexico Educational association.

Other recommendations included the adoption of a constitutional amendment providing for the election, setting aside of one per cent of the gasoline tax revenue for state publicity, careful consideration of budgets and appropriations, abolition of property tax on automobiles, exemptions of airplanes from gasoline tax, continuance of the highway program, passage of a workmen's compensation law and creation of a state commissioner of labor, protection of oil resources and interstate streams, avoidance of useless legislation and limitation of the session to 30 days.

George E. Remly, Colfax county, was elected president pro tempore of the senate and R. L. Baca of Santa Fe was elected speaker of the house. Remly was opposed by Mrs. Louise Coe of Lincoln county and Baca by Alvin White of Sierra county.

Other officers were selected as follows: David Reiter, chaplain; Elias Baca, sergeant-at-arms; Robert Brady, assistant sergeant-at-arms; Leopold Barela and William Salazar, enrolling clerks; A. C. Miera, postmaster; C. S. Pedregon, reading clerk; Hilario Chaves, assistant reading clerk, and Frank Lucero and Jose R. Lopez, doorkeepers. Isidoro Armijo of Albuquerque was appointed chief clerk of the house. Out of the entire membership of both houses Estanislado Otero of Valencia county was the only member absent.

Mrs. E. A. Perrault, secretary of state called the house to order at noon and administered the oath. Lieutenant-Governor Hugh Woodward convened the senate at 12:40 p. m.

## LOCALS

G. A. Turnbough was in Dexter Monday.

Mrs. R. L. Collins was in Artesia Wednesday.

Ernest Middleton, of Hope, was in Dexter Tuesday.

The fashion writers need only to stick to the bare facts.

Some folks have more self respect than they are entitled to.

There are some people who prefer even outlaws to inlaws.

J. W. Caps left Saturday for a business trip to Littlefield, Texas.

Mrs. Jerry Sharkey has returned from a visit to relatives at Altus, Oklahoma.

T. M. Bobo, Basil Bobo, and Charles Powell, of Cottonwood, were in Hagerman Tuesday.

E. T. Swisher is out again after being confined to his home for several days with flu.

The fellow who gets something for nothing generally finds it to be worth about what it cost.

### BANQUET FOR STATE GAME OFFICIALS SOON

Announcement was made this week by M. Stevenson, deputy game warden that preparations are being made for a banquet to be served here soon to the state game warden and commissioners. Those interested in the protection of wild life will be invited to attend. Matters of interest pertaining to the conservation of game, the establishment of new refuges and bird nests in this section will be discussed.

—Artesia Advocate

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### DIVIDENDS FOR THE SPIRIT

Material prosperity is not everything to look forward to during the year 1929, thinks Merle Thorpe, editor of the "Nation's Business."

He says:  
Good times, general employment and well-paid work do furnish us the jam on our prosperity bread-and-butter. For the first time perhaps an entire nation has the leisure to invite its soul. Science has emancipated us from time-taking drudgery. Now we are turning to the things which enrich life and fortify the spirit. We are seeking nourishment beyond the demands of the body.

Indications of this soul hunger are all about us. Art museums and symphony orchestras are being established throughout the country. Traveling exhibitions of paintings are novelties no longer. Concerts and lectures are regularly over subscribed, and community theaters are in the news in many cities.

We are learning to read the aspects of beauty and the forms of art. Esthetics as one of the fundamental elements of our day is exemplified in the patronage of Morgan, Frick, Widener, Juilliard and Huntington.

Their generous concern to provide permanent foundations for a popular appreciation of art is apparent in other quarters, in the intelligent efforts to make outdoor advertising more sightly, the awards to stimulate better building design, the competitions that would even filling stations and "hot dog" stands more pleasing to the eye.

The fellowship of books is a reality for many because of the benefactions of Carnegie. Music is enriching more lives because of the munificence of Louise Curtis Bok and A. Atwater Kent. Men eminently successful in business have recognized that devotion to culture does not weaken mental fiber, but, on the contrary, makes it more elastic, more capable of withstanding the strain and stress of the workaday world.

Efficiency in business appliances and furnishings is not enough. The age demands beauty in civic development as well as in the home. Business leaders are becoming aroused by the "drum beats of a new destiny," as President Coolidge expressed it. In every commitment of their energies and their talents they are serving notice that this nation is dedicated to a new kind of peace—to the remodeling of the material world in accordance with the highest specifications of the spirit.

### HIGHWAY MARKERS

SANTA FE.—Commenting on the habit of autoists using road signs as targets for gun practice, a highway bulletin issued recently asks the question if it is necessary to plant targets along the right of way, of all our highways in order to protect the direction and condition of signs now in use.

"The effort to keep our highways cleared of advertising signs, thus allowing the touring public a view of the natural beauties and points of interest New Mexico has to offer," says the bulletin, "has been met with the hearty approval of the public. In so doing, however, it seems that we have directed the activities of vandals toward the needful signs posted by this department to warn of approaching curves, hills etc."

"It costs about \$3.50 to manufacture and erect one of these signs. There are in the neighborhood of 6,000 such signs on the 5300 miles of maintained roads of this state. These signs have been widely complimented by tourists, out of state publications and others who have found their travels in New Mexico made safer and more comfortable by the authentic information these signs carry. It may be claimed honestly that these signs pay a direct dividend to the state because of the work they do for the motorists of the state and the good will they build up in tourists."

If amateur marksmen continue to make these signs the object of their attentions they will either put an unwarranted drain into highway finances or else (if the signs are not replaced) be the indirect cause of accidents and certainly the direct cause of much annoyance to the touring public.

"If every citizen of this state will make it his duty to protect these signs and apprehend vandals wherever possible, he will be working to the advantage of his state, community and self."

The bulletin concludes by saying that highways are constructed for the greatest good of the greatest number of people and that "gun totin" individuals with a primitive desire to shoot something may find better opportunity to exercise their ambitions on the rifle ranges of the National Guard than on the highways of the state."

Man has advanced far in civilization since the "stone age." He no longer beams a fellow citizen with a club to get his property, but merely sticks a gun in his face.

Wonder how many "solons" in the law making bodies of our country are as wise as Solon was?

### UNCLE SAM PRINTER

The Red Wing, Minnesota, Republican said editorially, November 12, 1928:

"Uncle Sam's Post Office Department, which is estimated will have a deficit of \$100,000,000 during the present fiscal year, will continue in the business of competing with local printers in the furnishing of printed envelopes, having recently awarded a contract involving more than \$15,000,000 in this connection.

"This means that one concern will have a monopoly of this amount of gross business, a large portion of which will be diverted from country publishers, who are practically the only class of business men with whom the government competes in this manner.

"The injustice of this practice is all the more marked because the printing is done for an additional charge of only a few cents a thousand over the cost of the plain envelopes—a charge so small that it covers only a fraction of the cost. The envelopes alone are priced higher than necessary in order to cover a portion of the loss on printing, but the customer thinks he is getting a bargain because of this juggling of price quotations.

"Having been victims of this unfair competition for half a century, it is little wonder that country editors are practically a unit in opposition to government operation of business enterprises. All fair minded business men should assist the National Editorial Association in its efforts to eliminate this Socialistic and un-American practice.

"There would be as much justification for the operation of retail stores by the government as there is for the retail sale of printed envelopes in competition with local printers."

### DOES CRIME PAY?

In an article in the Baltimore Sun, James M. Hepbron disputes the statement that crime does not pay. "In that city (a 'typical city') there are more than 10,000 serious crimes reported to the police," Mr. Hepbron says, "and in the final analysis only 97 people went to prison. If crime doesn't pay, who then gets the almost unthinkable sum of from ten to sixteen billions which is said to be the yearly toll of crime in this country, a sum which is one-seventh of our total earnings?"

Statistics such as these show graphically the farce of American law enforcement. We have more laws than any other country in the world, more professional reformers, more people with cures for everything that ails or is said to ail the human race. And crime has increased in direct proportion to the increase in laws enacted. It would hardly be an exaggeration to say that every piece of criminal legislation of the "freak" type, such as the anti-pistol enactments and similar laws infringing on personal liberties, means a continually increasing number of law breakers.

Mr. Hepbron states that Sing Sing, according to Warden Lawes of that penitentiary, "the average time between commitment to the death house and execution is almost a year. What a commentary on the American system of administering justice, in contrast, only about six weeks elapse before execution."

A fact such as this requires no comment.

### COMMERCIALIZING HUMAN BEINGS

Sir Arthur Keith, English scientist, thinks human beings should cease to live at 45 or 50 years of age. If the matter of living were left up to Sir Arthur, he would not try to prolong life beyond 50 years. Forty-five is the age which man begins life again, he states.

The average individual may be right glad that Sir Arthur is not omnipotent for it would be "30" for a number of them. Being a scientist does not mean that Sir Arthur is right, it does not take a scientist to tell that. The above theory is just a bit of queer publicity for Sir Arthur. At heart we doubt if he is sincere. Sir Arthur must know that experience of men past 45 has been a vital factor in our progress and that if it were possible to shut off the source, we would be taking a backward step.

We hope the day never arrives when a serious attempt is made to commercialize the lives of human beings, as we would machinery. Industrial enterprises have gone too far with the theory that men are no longer valuable after passing a certain age. If we would enrich human experience and get the fullest out of life, old men are necessary to the present state of affairs.

### THE NEW LEGISLATURE

When the new state legislature meets at Santa Fe it can do more good for the state by devoting its time to repealing old laws than by passing new ones.

Despite the fact that New Mexico is one of the youngest states in the Union, its statute books are cluttered up with hundreds—yea thousands of useless and worthless laws—and this number is increased by each incoming legislature.

Each legislature seems to think that it will be judged by the number of laws it passes—rather than by the quality of them, and each legislator has some pet bit of legislation he wants enacted—and thus the volume of useless laws is increased.

Fewer laws, plainer laws and more enforcement is what we need.

### GET THE SIGNS

Tolly West tells us that for an assessment of \$1.50 each for the business houses of Hagerman two signs may be had, a large one on the highway and a smaller one at the mineral well, directing traffic by the place where this curative water flows.

By all means we should have these signs. With these signs to direct them, people who pass over the highway enroute to the Carlsbad Cavern will stop here and sample our water—and in this way the well will become advertised from coast to coast.

Kick in with your dollar and a half right away and lets get the signs put up. You will be benefitted a hundred fold for the money spent; either directly, or indirectly. Whatever benefits the town benefits you as a citizen.

### INSIDE INFORMATION

Roast stuffed breast of lamb is an appetizing and economical meat. Have the butcher crack the bones so that the meat may be carved between the ribs, and also make a slit under the skin close to the rib bones for a pocket to hold the stuffing. Fill this cavity with savory forcemeat stuffing, utilizing the meat from the foreshank, sew it up, and bake the roast slowly in an uncovered pan without water.

Everybody likes hashed brown potatoes, but not everyone knows how to prepare them. Cook 4 medium sized potatoes in their skins until tender. Remove the skins and chop the potatoes very fine, with 4 tablespoons of onion, also chopped fine, and season with  $\frac{1}{4}$  teaspoon salt, or to taste, and  $\frac{1}{4}$  teaspoon pepper. Melt 2 tablespoons butter in a smooth skillet and add  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup of hot water. Put the potatoes in, in a thin even layer, and cook over a low flame until golden brown. Fold the potato over like an omelet and then turn onto a hot platter. Garnish with parsley.

### OUTDOOR ETHICS

(New Mexico Conservationist)  
A condensed code of outdoor ethics has just been issued by the Izaak Walton League of America.

"If the code is followed, even fifty per cent, by the vast hordes of people who are taking to the outdoors this summer, the condition of our great natural playground, hard pressed by the outdoor movement occasioned by modern transportation facilities, will be safe from the destruction which threatens it," declared Dr. Henry Baldwin Ward, national president of the organization.

The code of ethics was compiled by Seth E. Gordon conservation director of the league and an outstanding authority on outdoor ethics and practice.

It follows:  
1. Your outdoor manners tell the world what you are when at home.

2. What belongs to the public isn't your own—play fair.

3. Respect the property of rural residents—ask before using it.

4. Save fences, close gates and bars, go around planted fields.

5. People, livestock, trees and birds were never meant to be target practice backstops.

6. Respect the law—catch enough fish to eat, then quit.

7. Protect public health — keep springs and streams clean.

8. Clean up your camp and don't litter the highways with trash.

9. Finish what you start—carelessness with fires is cussedness.

10. Leave flowers and shrubs for others to enjoy. Do your share to keep outdoor America beautiful.

### WINTER OIL PROCESS CONTINUES IN STATE

DEMING.—The oil processing of the highway east of here at Cambray is now finished and open to traffic. Sixteen miles of U. S. 80 was oiled and finished. Reports indicate that this project is now the fastest stretch of road between Las Cruces and the Arizona line.

The oiling crew on the completion of this job moved west of this town where 20 miles of oil process are to be laid down in the district near Separ. This stretch of road is Federal Aid built throughout which will necessitate no extra placement of surfacing.

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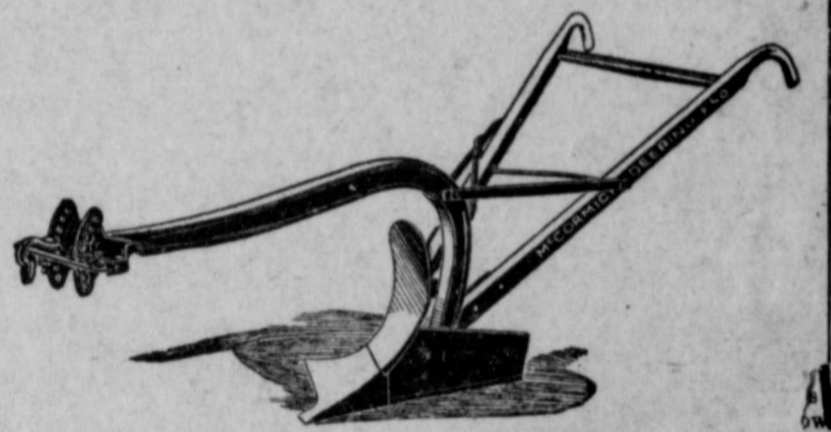
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When better automobiles are built, Buick will build them

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It is about time to think about Plows—when you think about plows you naturally think about the P. and O. Plow—well we have them.

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# FIVE TAX PROBLEMS DISCUSSED IN THE TAXPAYERS ASS'N BULLETIN

The December number of the New Mexico Tax Bulletin published by the Taxpayers' Association of New Mexico contains several articles on the problems of taxation by former U. S. Senator H. O. Bursum, former State Senator T. E. Mitchell, and Mr. H. J. Hagerman, president of the Taxpayers' Association. Tables showing comparative tax rates for several years and one showing the bonded indebtedness for the state, counties, municipalities, and school districts are also included in the issue.

Senators Bursum and Mitchell deal especially with the taxation of livestock. Both urge a reduction in the general property tax rate through economy. In Senator Bursum's article will be found suggestions as to other sources of revenue.

In a discussion of "Evasions and Confiscations" Mr. Hagerman points out specifically how discriminations exist among various classes of property. Among livestock growers, taxation often creates a difference and places land owners at a disadvantage as compared with those who lease state lands and those who can secure permits in the national forests. In order to relieve the burden of taxation on livestock and reduce the bad effects of discrimination, Mr. Hagerman urges the spending of less money. Other vital suggestions are as follows: 1. Collect delinquent taxes; 2. Get all property on the tax rolls without favoring some taxpayers over others of the same class; 3. Find new sources of revenue; 4. Boost valuations on various classes of property besides grazing lands and livestock; 5. Repeal or amend the exemption laws.

With over six million of uncollected taxes, it is self-evident that our taxing machinery is lacking in a most important particular. Discriminations are the result, "whether these delinquencies are the fault of the state because taxes are too high or of the delinquent tax collectors when they are inefficient or of the taxpayer because he is evading his just tribute to the government."

Failure to get all the property on the tax rolls as well as failure to fairly equalize assessments must be remedied by proper measures. Instances of gross discrimination among property owners in the same community can easily be cited. Enough is known of actual conditions to convince any taxpayer of the need of a competent systematic reappraisal of property for purposes of taxation. Too often discriminations can be traced to political "pull" or to personal considerations. Property of fraternal and church organizations is often used for purely commercial purposes in competition with other property and is permitted to escape taxation. When such property is producing income, it should be assessed as similar property is assessed.

As to new sources of revenue, a cigarette tax is suggested with a possible revenue of between one hundred thousand and two hundred thousand dollars a year. An income tax law might be enacted to produce between two hundred thousand and three hundred thousand dollars a year, though there is a question of obtaining a competent administration of such a law.

To boost values will require the most careful administration. Railroads, mines, lands, and livestock are already assessed at high figures and paying all that can be fairly exacted. Certain types of city property are undoubtedly underassessed and there are, as has been stated, outrageous discriminations among individuals. Increased assessments can and must, therefore, be brought about by more adequate and competent administration.

Householders exemptions and soldiers' exemptions are privileges which can be and are greatly abused. At the present time about twenty millions of dollars of value are not taxed because of these exemptions. The soldier exemptions alone are costing the state over three hundred thousand dollars a year.

To spend less and make the people's dollar go farther through economical administration will do most to attract outside capital and will save the capital already in the state from confiscation.

**GAS TAX SHOWS INCREASE IN DECEMBER OF \$22,926.12**

**SANTA FE.**—The gasoline tax department closed the year 1928 with an increase of \$22,926.12 for the month of December over the same month in 1927 including station license fees.

The total collections for December 1928 were \$170,597.62 and for 1927 were \$147,671.50.

The gasoline tax alone for 1928 was \$165,360.11 and for 1927 was \$142,798.82. The total gasoline license fees for December 1928 were \$5,237.51 and for 1927 \$4,872.68. The increase in the five-cent tax for the month was \$22,561.29 and the increase in station license fees was \$364.83.

In December 1928 the increase in total sales of gasoline was 451,556 gallons.

## LEGAL ADVERTISEMENTS

Hd. Orig. RS 2289, 80 acres. 031101 MFN.  
**NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION**

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Las Cruces, N. M., December 26, 1928.

NOTICE is hereby given that Benjamin J. Romines, of Hagerman, N. M., who, on Oct. 29, 1925, made Hd. entry containing 80 acres, No. 031101, for S½ NE¼, Section 24, Township 14-S., Range 26-E., N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Three year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before D. C. Savage, U. S. Commissioner, at Roswell, N. M., on the 6th day of February, 1929. Claimant names as witnesses:

J. L. King, John Mitchell, Jewel Davis and Jim Bramlet all of Hagerman, N. M.

V. B. MAY Register.  
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Hd. Orig. 2-19-09 and 7-17-14 as to O & G 320 acres. Addl. 12-29-16, 320 acres.  
028665, 028666 MFN  
**NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION**

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Las Cruces, N. M., December 26, 1928.

NOTICE is hereby given that William B. Adams, of Roswell, N. M., who, on Feb. 12, 1924, made Hd. orig and addl. containing 640 acres, No. 028665 and 028666, for all Section 25, Township 11-S., Range 29-E., N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make three year Proof to establish claim to the land above described, before Dan C. Savage, U. S. Commissioner, at Roswell, N. M., on the 2nd day of February, 1929.

Claimant names as witnesses: Clyde V. Ratliff, of O'Donnell, Texas., Henry C. Callahan, of Tatum, N. M., Corbett L. Crow, of Roswell, N. M., and Charles M. Davidson, of Roswell, N. M.

V. B. MAY Register.  
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Hd. Addl. 12-29-16, 160 acres.  
028613 MFN  
**NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION**

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Las Cruces, N. M., December 26, 1928.

NOTICE is hereby given that Charles W. Morgan, of Dexter, N. M., who, on Jan. 12, 1924, made Hd. addl. containing 160 acres, No. 028613, for NE¼, Section 29, Township 12-S., Range 29-E., N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Three year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Dan C. Savage, U. S. Commissioner, at Roswell, N. M., on the 2nd day of February, 1929.

Claimant names as witnesses: Joseph Griffin, and Elmer D. Morgan, of Dexter, N. M., Frank Van Winkle and Jessie Van Winkle, of Roswell, N. M.

V. B. MAY Register.  
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Hd. Orig. 12-29-16, 480 acres  
028600 MFN  
**NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION**

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Las Cruces, N. M., December 26, 1928.

NOTICE is hereby given that David Bassel, of Dexter, N. M., who, on January 2, 1924, made Hd. entry containing 480 acres, No. 028600, for E½, E¼W½, Section 18, Township 13-S., Range 29-E., N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Three year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Dan C. Savage, U. S. Commissioner, at Roswell, N. M., on the 5th day of February, 1929.

Claimant names as witnesses: Charles R. Rains, C. B. Brannon, Elmer Morgan, Harry Deck all of Dexter N. M.

V. B. MAY Register.  
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**NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION**

Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, Las Cruces, N. M., December 27, 1928.

NOTICE is hereby given that the State of New Mexico has filed in this office Indemnity School Selection List 9067, Serial No. 031475 for the following described land: NW¼NW¼ Sec. 24, T. 14S., R. 17E., N. M. P. M.

The State takes title with the oil and gas reserved to the United States.

The purpose of this notice is to allow all persons claiming the land adversely, or desiring to show it to be mineral in character, other than oil and gas, an opportunity to file their protests against the approval of the selection.

L. KEO. LLEWELLYN,  
Acting Register.

## WHOSE CAR?

When its newly washed—Mother's  
When its overhauled—Son's  
When there's a dance on—Daughter's.

When it needs repairs, fresh paint, five new tires and a tank full of gas—Dad's—Exchange.

# SAFE CRACKERS ENTER THREE ROSWELL STORES AND SECURE \$50.00

Safe crackers entered three Roswell business houses Saturday night securing a total of \$50 from the three jobs, according to the local officers who after investigating the cases said they were unable to secure any information which would lead to arrests.

A total of \$50 was secured from the safe of the Cascade Laundry which was opened by breaking off the combination and then punching in the lock. Entrance to the laundry was made through a back window.

The Bond-Baker safe was also broken into, but was never opened. The Magnolia Filling Station safe, corner Main and Walnut, was opened by the money had all been taken out by the attendant and nothing was secured.

The method used at each place was the same and had every indication of being done by amateurs, according to officers.—Roswell Record.

# LACK OF THRIFT CAUSE OF MOST OF LIFE'S FAILURES

(By S. W. Straus, President American Society For Thrift.)

There are many failures in the world to-day who might have become successful men financially had they only known how to save money! During the course of their careers they have earned large sums but they have let all this money slip through their fingers from day to day. Possessed of the natural gift of making money just as their successful rivals, they lacked the one quality necessary to success—thrift.

Thrift lays permanent stones in the foundation of success. The so-called plunger—the meteoric financier—the speculator—the gambler—may at times seem able to defy prudent practices and the principles of thrift. But such types of success seldom are permanent. Wealth gained through spectacular methods rather than sound business practices nearly always proves transitory.

The majority of men who have built up great fortunes, though they have in many instances risen rapidly owe their success primarily to thrift. Thrift gave them the start they needed and it was the development of this characteristic that imparted the combination of courage and cautious judgment without which there can be no substantial success in money matters.

Thrift requires steadfastness and will-power but it does not require genius or brilliant gifts of mind.

The ability to make money is, to a considerable extent, a matter of natural aptitude but the more important accomplishment of thrift can be acquired by anyone.

There is no excuse for not saving money and no matter how shrewd a man may be or how keenly developed his instincts for acquiring wealth, he will never have assurance of real success unless the element of thrift is woven into all his activities.

Lack of thrift has caused more financial failures than any other cause.

## THE STEADY SUBSCRIBER

How dear to our heart is the steady subscriber,  
Who pays in advance at the birth of each year.

Who lays down the money and does it quite gladly,  
And casts round the office a halo of cheer.

He never says: "Stop it; I can't afford it,  
I'm getting more papers than now I can read."

But always says: "Send it; our people all like it—  
In fact, we all think it a help and a need."

How welcome his check when it reaches our sanctum,  
How it makes our pulse throb how it makes our heart dance.

We outwardly thank him; we inwardly bless him—  
The steady subscriber who pays in advance.—From the "Liberal News."

Magistrate—"Did you call the accused a rogue and a thief?"  
Witness—"Yes, yer honor, I did."  
Magistrate—"And did you call him a liar and a cad?"  
Witness—"No, yer honor, I didn't. A man can't remember everything."

She—"You look badly this morning."  
He—"I have a cold or something in my head."  
She—"It's probably a cold."

Messenger Want Ads pay.  
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## BOY SCOUT NOTES

February 8th to 14th, Boy Scouts over eastern New Mexico will observe the 19th anniversary of the founding of the movement. Special Court of Honors rallies and father and son banquets will be held in the various towns.

Rev. John Thorns, area commissioner has moved from Carlsbad to Dallas. D. D. Steele, area vice-president is moving from Clovis to El Paso. The loss of these two officers leaves a big gap in the executive board of the council.

A drum and bugle corps made up of Roswell scouts is holding rehearsals weekly in preparation for the annual jamboree, which will be held in Roswell, April 12th.

Boy Scouts of Hope, New Mexico troop 33, delivered twenty Christmas baskets as their Christmas good turn. This is just one of the many good turns reported to the area office after the Christmas season.

A new troop of scouts at Tatum is the latest troop to register. Minor Huffman area scout executive installed at a public meeting in Tatum, last Tuesday evening.

## CIRCULAR REPORTS ON CATTLE FEEDING

The department of Agricultural Economics at the Agricultural college, has collected a number of records on cattle feeding on the irrigated farms of the state. The report on the records made is given in the new extension circular, No. 98, by L. H. Hauter of the New Mexico Agricultural college and the following facts are gleaned.

Most of the cattle fed have been fed at or near the cottonseed oil mills and have been fed almost entirely on cottonseed meal and hulls. Only a few farmers have fed cattle and there has been no uniformity in the kind of cattle fed and the method of feeding. It could not be concluded from the information compiled that cattle feeding could be profitably expanded except under the most favorable conditions. With the higher prices for cattle that prevailed in 1927-28, all farmers from whom records were secured made a profit on their cattle feeding operations and since it is probable that cattle prices will remain relatively high for a few more years, there are undoubtedly some farmers that can feed cattle to advantage. It is always easier to make a profit from feeding operations when prices are moving upward as they have been, but the downward swing of the cattle price cycle can be expected again in a few years, and the price situation, when prices are moving downward, will be less favorable than they have been the past year.

The purchase price of cattle, especially the price of old stock, is not as well established as the price of lambs. Cattle are more generally purchased by the head instead of the pound and the prices paid may vary considerably. Some of the largest profits shown in the records analyzed were due to the price at which cattle were purchased.

Write the Extension Service, State College, N. M. for copy of Cir. No. 98, "Sheep and Cattle on Southern New Mexico Irrigated Farms."

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We are fixed for turning out work of this kind in double-quick time.

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How in the world do you succeed in crowding so much value into your merchandise at such moderate prices?—is a question that our customers often ask us. Well, to begin with, we are satisfied with a small margin of profit, also we want to retain you as a satisfied customer. We know that REAL VALUES will bring you here again when you need anything in our lines.

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## BARGAINS IN TIRES

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29x4.40 Casing	\$ 8.60
30x4.50 Casing	\$ 9.45
31x5.25 Casing	\$13.25
30x3½ Casing	\$ 7.20
33x600 Casing	\$15.80
OLDFIELDS	
30x3½ (Extra Size) Casing	\$ 6.65
29x4.40 Casing	\$ 7.10
30x4.50 Casing	\$ 7.75

## DEXTER SERVICE STATION

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# We Specialize in Feeds for Live Stock and Poultry

If you wanted a balanced diet for yourself and family, (and we all know this is essential to good health) you would consult a dietician. It is equally important to have a balanced ration for your live stock and poultry; otherwise you are throwing your money away. We know the different kinds of feed your live stock should have; if you will consult with us and take our advice we will save you money. If we do not make you more net profits from your feed bills, we will not expect you to give us your business. Let us show you.

# J. T. WEST

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Hagerman, New Mexico

If you will bring us your home-grown grains we will make you a balanced ration.

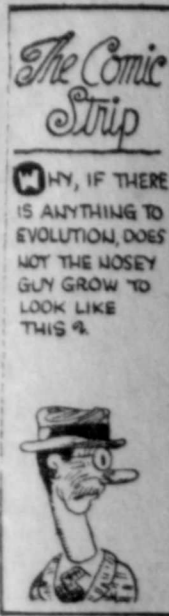
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By Charles Sughroe  
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The Victim Turns

“AH, GOOD MORNING—  
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ADDRESSING THE EDITOR  
OF THE CITY'S GREATEST  
JOURNALISTIC ORGAN—  
NEWSPAPER?”

“NO, I DON'T WANT  
TO BUY ANY OIL STOCK,  
FLORIDA LAND NOR PRE-  
WAR HOOTCH—NOR—  
DO I WISH TO  
HAVE MY FORTUNE  
TOLD, CHIMNEY  
CLEANED OR ARMA-  
TATOOED!  
SCAT! BEAT IT!  
VAMOOSE!  
DEPART!”

“YES, BUT NOT BEFORE I SELL YOU MY  
WONDERFUL SET OF ‘SELF-HELP’ BOOKS,  
WITH THE VALUABLE AID OF THIS REMARKABLE  
SET OF GENUINE CLOTH-BOUND BOOKS  
EVEN A COMMON MAN LIKE YOU CAN  
BECOME AN INTELLECTUAL  
GIANT—PUT YOUR NAME  
ON THE DOTTED LINE,  
BROTHER!”

“WY, TAKE ME, FRINSTANCE—  
A YEAR AGO I WUZ JEST  
A COMMON, IGNORANT BUM!  
WHADDA YOUSE SUPPOSE  
MADE THIS GREAT  
CHANGE IN ME?”

“WHAT GREAT  
CHANGE?”

## FINANCIAL PROBLEM F. V. HAGAMAN ONCE WILL WORRY THE NEW HUNTED BUFFALO IN STATE LEGISLATURE EASTERN PART OF STATE

There is a precarious financial problem facing the state legislature, which convened at Santa Fe, Tuesday. The various state institutions have presented a budget to Governor Dillon and a budget direct, R. F. Asplund, which total \$661,450 annually if allowed. The sum asked would increase the state tax levy to \$10.05 per \$1,000 valuation.

According to the budgets submitted by the various departments and institutions for consideration of the legislature the total requested for the eighteenth fiscal year beginning July 1, 1929 and ending June 30, 1930 is \$2,173,651. For the nineteenth fiscal year the total requested is \$2,189,596. These totals do not include requests for buildings.

Combining the two totals, Mr. Asplund found \$4,363,247 requested for maintenance of the various departments and institutions.

The total for similar purposes for the sixteenth fiscal year as provided by the 1927 legislature was \$1,893,979 and for the seventeenth fiscal year which is the present year, was \$1,880,879. A combination of these totals gives \$3,774,858 making an average annual appropriation of the biennium ending June 30, 1929 of \$1,887,429. The average annual appropriation requested for the next biennium ending June 30, 1931 is \$2,181,624, making an increase in the average annual appropriation comparing the two bienniums of \$294,125.

In addition, appropriations for buildings are requested during the next biennium of \$734,650 or an average annual appropriation for buildings of \$367,325. The last legislature appropriated \$500,000 for buildings to be paid from the proceeds of a half mill levy over a four year period. A half mill annually is therefore being collected and will continue to be collected during the next biennium. In other words Mr. Asplund said, we are paying \$125,000 a year for buildings for the four year period ending June 30, 1931 and now additional requests are made for building purposes amounting to \$734,650 or \$367,325 for each year of the next biennium.

These totals, Mr. Asplund said do not include the proposed erection of Eastern Normal at Portales, and maintenance of that institution.

When appropriations of the 1927 legislature for the present biennium are considered with requests of the next biennium, Mr. Asplund said, the comparison may best be represented by saying that the 1929 legislature will be faced by requests for all purposes amounting to \$661,450 over the appropriations met by the 1927 legislature.

This increase, he said, will have to be met by an increase in the state tax rate, which is now \$7.54 per \$1,000 of assessed value.

### STATE COLLEGE GRADUATE GETS IMPORTANT JOB

STATE COLLEGE.—Miss Sarah Stewart, graduate of New Mexico A. and M., in the class of 1927, has just been awarded a graduated assistantship in bacteriology in the Massachusetts Agricultural college at Amherst, Massachusetts, Dr. Harry L. Kent, president of A. and M. was advised Thursday.

Miss Stewart will be employed in research work and will be permitted sufficient time to carry enough college work to obtain her master's degree.

Miss Laura Stewart, her sister, who was graduated here in 1926, was awarded a research scholarship at the Colorado Agricultural college last summer. She began her work there last September and after obtaining her master's degree, returned to New Mexico A. and M.

Miss Stewart taught home economics in the Lake Arthur High school last year.

Mike—Phwat are ye lookin' for?  
Mrs. Mike—Nothing.  
Mike—Thin ye'll find it in the jug where the whiskey was.

If you have a house or room for rent, try a Messenger want ad.

### WHO USES BRAINS?

In a recent address Dr. E. E. Free, the eminent scientist, hands a rather hard jolt to certain professions which are popularly supposed to embrace a large share of the world's intelligence.

Among those who may be said to be intelligent at all, he places university professors, actors, doctors and preachers lowest in the scale. His reason for this conclusion, which he says is made as a result of scientific research, is that "their intelligence gets no exercise; they learn to confuse dogmatic plausibility with truth."

Going further, Dr. Free declares that the class of persons who use their brains to the best advantage are foreman-mechanics, chief riggers, precision mechanics and the like. Slightly less able than these are engineers and technical men closely followed by business men, all of whom are "required to get the facts before reaching conclusions."

The learned doctor doesn't say just where editors come. Maybe it is well. Possibly they don't come in at all.—Ex.

### BIG JO OFFICIALS HERE

E. N. McGregor of Wichita, Kansas, president of the Big Jo Lumber Co., spent a few hours here yesterday in the interest of his company.

of experience with the rough characters common in that time. What might be termed his most thrilling experience, however, is a closed chapter in his life so far as making it known to the public.

### FIRST PARDON IN 1929 GRANTED

SANTA FE.—Governor Dillon's first pardon in 1929 was given to John Werthen, sentenced from Luna county to serve from 40 to 70 years in the penitentiary. It was a complete pardon.

Werthen was reported to have given valuable and conscientious service to the prison and to have obeyed all rules of the penitentiary. He was dressed in, in October, 1922.

### MICKIE SAYS—

SAY, MR. MERCHANT, WHEN YOU MAKE A SELLING TALK TO A CUSTOMER ABOUT SOME MERCHANDISE, DON'T IT HELP YOU TO MAKE A SELLING TALK TO ALL THE BUYERS IN TOWN AND THE COUNTRY 'ROUND IN OUR AD COLUMN REGULAR?



## What Do You Read?

Good books are the best companions man can have, and every home should maintain a first-class library. But this library must be supplemented with reading matter of other kinds—and this, of course means—

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We sell from our news stand and take subscriptions for all the leading magazines and newspapers. Come here for your reading matter, whether it be works of fiction, scientific publications or newspapers. We also have Bibles for sale.

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# Sunday School Lesson

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Lesson for January 13

### SIN

**SON TEXT**—I John 1:5-2:4.  
**ADEN TEXT**—If we say that we  
 no sin, we deceive ourselves, and  
 truth is not in us. If we confess  
 our sins, He is faithful and just to  
 forgive our sins, and to cleanse us  
 from all unrighteousness.

**MARY TOPIC**—Grieving God.  
**NIOR TOPIC**—Grieving God.  
**ERMEEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC**—  
 What Sin Is and Does.

**UNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC**—  
 Sin and its Consequences.

There is much disparity between the  
 act and the Scripture unit set  
 for study. Since the plan is to  
 treat the subject topically, using the  
 texts, it is proper that we should  
 give a definition of sin.

The etymology of the word trans-  
 sin in both the Hebrew and the  
 signifies "to deviate from the  
 to miss the mark"; therefore a  
 standard. Failure to measure up  
 standard is sin. Sin is also the  
 gression of the law (I John 3:4).

Positive meaning then is that sin  
 transgression of the law. Deeper  
 all this is the condition of the  
 out of which all thought and ac-  
 springing. This is called by Paul  
 apiscence (Rom. 7:7, 8).

The Origin of Sin (Gen. 3:1-24).  
 was placed on probation in the  
 den of Eden. This was necessary  
 use Adam was created with the  
 ability of character, but not with  
 ough testing. Free will, alternative  
 ies, which Adam possessed as a  
 nature bearing the likeness and  
 ge of God, made character possible  
 inevitable.

Character is the resultant of choice.  
 means used was most simple.  
 issued just one prohibition. Along  
 the tree of good and evil was the  
 of life. Satan, a personal being,  
 eared in the guise of a serpent. He  
 uated doubt into Eve's mind and  
 ealed to innocent appetite. She  
 ed upon and lusted after that which  
 had forbidden. Following this,  
 involved Adam in her sin. From  
 account we see that sin origi-  
 ted, so far as the race is concerned,  
 the free choice of the head of the  
 and through the law of heredity  
 passed upon all mankind.

1. The Universality of Sin (Rom.  
 10:15).

By the use of numerous quotations  
 on the Scriptures, Paul proves that  
 very member of the race is guilty of  
 n. He does not admit of an excep-

2. The Fate of Sinners (Gen.  
 3:17).

The disobedience of man greatly dis-  
 eased God and He resolved to de-  
 ny man from the face of the earth.  
 ed's nature is such that sin must be  
 punished.

3. The Source of Sin (Mark  
 14:23).

All evil thinking and practice spring  
 ut of the heart of man. The heart  
 ands for the very center and founda-  
 tion of the personality. The reason  
 we think vile thoughts is because of  
 ur vile nature, which is the result  
 of original sin.

4. The Sins of Believers (I John  
 3:4-6).

1. How perceived (v. 5).  
 God is here declared to be light.  
 Therefore sin is perceived through the  
 orious light of the Divine being. No  
 ne can see God without seeing him-  
 self a vile sinner. To claim fellowship  
 ith God while walking in darkness is  
 to lie of life.

2. The Divine remedy for sin (v. 7).

It is the blood of Jesus Christ.  
 Without the shedding of blood there  
 is no remission of sin.

3. The believer's responsibility  
 (v. 9).

It is to confess his sin. It is only  
 when we are conscious of our sins  
 in the light of God that we are dis-  
 posed to make confession of them.

4. God grants forgiveness and  
 cleansing (vv. 9, 10).

Because of His provision in the  
 cement of Jesus Christ, God is able  
 to be the basis of justice to forgive the  
 sinner who confesses his sin. Be-  
 cause of His faithfulness in dealing  
 with His children on the basis of the  
 finished work of Christ, He not only  
 forgives, but He cleanses them from  
 all sin.

5. Christ the believer's advocate  
 (3:1, 2).

For believers to sin is not necessary,  
 but the advocate who champions his  
 case in case of sin is the Lord Jesus  
 Christ Himself, who on Calvary's cross  
 made a propitiation for his sin.

6. Christ's followers obey Him (v. 5).

Those who have experienced God's  
 saving grace render obedience to His  
 word.

### The Love of Christ

A stream can rise no higher than  
 its source. It takes the love of Christ  
 going into a man's heart to raise  
 him above himself, sweep away the  
 things he cannot conquer, and fill him  
 with peace and power.

### Wealth

Wealth is a weak anchor and glory  
 cannot support a man; this is the law  
 of God, that virtue only is firm and  
 cannot be shaken by a tempest.—  
 Pythagoras.

## NATION TO SAVE OVER \$5,000,000 DAY RATES ON LONG DIST. CALLS

An annual saving to the public of more than \$5,000,000 will result from reductions in day rates for toll and long distance calls in the Bell System effective February 1, according to an announcement made Monday by F. H. Reid, president of the Mountain States Telephone and Telegraph Co.

All day calls between points from 130 to approximately 1500 miles apart are reduced in cost. This is true of person-to-person calls as well as calls by number.

This reduction affects calls placed to any one of the 19,000,000 telephones in the United States. Telephone users in the territory served by the Mountain States Telephone and Telegraph company will profit substantially by the reductions.

This general reduction is the third made by the Bell System in two years and four months, and, according to Mr. Reid's statement, is in keeping with the Bell System's policy of providing "the best possible service at the least cost consistent with financial safety."

Mr. Reid points out that in the statement of policy is was announced that "earnings more than sufficient to provide the best possible service will either be spent for the enlargement and improvement of the service furnished or the rates charged for the service must be reduced."

In long distance service it has been possible both to improve the service and reduce the rates. "During 1928 there has been a continuous improvement in the speed with which toll and long distance calls were handled," according to Mr. Reid. "The fact that 90% of calls are now handled while the subscriber remains at the telephone has been one of the influences that has brought about the steadily increasing use of long distance facilities that have marked the year."

"Principally in the industrial areas of the country there was an extension of 1500 miles of inter-city telephone cable. This cable is practically storm-proof and provides dependable long distance service between large centers of population."

This is the second substantial saving offered to the public by the Bell System in a space of little more than one year, according to Mr. Reid. The last rate reduction became effective December 1st, 1927, on calls longer than 450 miles and saved the telephone using public \$1,500,000 in 1928.

The reduction that immediately preceded this became effective October 1st, 1926, and represented an annual saving to the public of \$3,000,000.

### A WONDERFUL RECIPE

This is a story of a young bride who asked her husband to copy off a radio recipe she wanted. He did his best, but got two stations at once, one of which was broadcasting the morning exercises and the other the recipe. This is what he took down:

"Hands on hips, place one cup of flour on the shoulders, raise the knees and depress toes and mix thoroughly in one-half cup of milk. Repeat six times. Inhale, quickly one-half teaspoon of baking powder, lower the legs and mash two hard boiled eggs in a sieve. Exhale breathe naturally and sift naturally and sift into a bowl."

Attention! Lie flat on the floor and roll the white of an egg backward and forward until it comes to a boil. In ten minutes remove from the fire and rub smartly with a rough towel. Breathe naturally, dress in warm flannels and serve with fish soup."

### HEARING LIKELY ON LEA COUNTY RAILWAY PROJECTS

SANTA FE.—Intervening petitions have been filed by both the Santa Fe railroad and the Texas and New Mexico railroad, regarding their respective petitions to the interstate commerce commission to construct railroads in Lea county.

Hugh Williams, corporation commissioner, said Monday that the filing of the petitions would probably result in a general hearing of the two railroad projects and that a recommendation would ultimately be made to the I. C. C.

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### NEW MEXICO TAKES PRIZE AT CONTEST

New Mexico canning club members are coming to the front. Word has just been received from the Hazel-Atlas Glass Company that five New Mexico girls have won prizes on their jars entered in the Hazel-Atlas Glass Company's national canning contest, open to 4-H club members. This contest was held in connection with the seventh national boys' and girls' club congress at Chicago from November 30 to December 7, inclusive.

The five prize winning members are as follows: Alma Copeland, Arch, \$4.00; Catherine Wilson, Floyd, \$1.00; Maurine Jones, Las Vegas, \$8.00; Ruth Reuter, Pecos, \$7.00; Thelma Swinney, Texico, \$6.00.

Competition was keen in this contest. Fruits, vegetables and meats totaling 2,000 jars were put up by canning clubs and schools in the United States where home economics is taught, were entered in the competition. This exhibit was on display in the boys and girls club building during the club congress and was viewed by thousands of people.

Alma Copeland won 7th place on a jar of canned plums; Catherine Wilson 10th place on a jar of canned peaches. Maurine Jones' prize of \$8.00 was awarded on two jars, one a jar of pickles and the other a jar of vegetable mixture; Ruth Reuter also had two prize winning jars, one of beef and the other of stewed chicken while Thelma Swinney's prize winning jar was one of mixed pickles.

New Mexico also won eighth place in the exhibit of canned goods, including meats, considered necessary to make properly balanced diet for a farm family of five for one week.

English teacher—"Michael, when I have finished you may repeat what I have said in your own words."

"See the cow? Isn't she pretty? Can the cow run? Yes she can run. Can she run as fast as a horse? No, she can't run as fast as a horse."

Michael—"Lamp de cow. Ain't she a beaut? Kin de cow hump it wid de horse? Naw, de cow ain't in it wid de horse."

Red, White, Blue and Yellow carbon paper for tracing on cloth.—The Advocate.

## LIFER WHO ESCAPED PEN NEW YEARS DAY IS FOUND IN OKLAHOMA

SANTA FE.—Warden Pat Dugan of the New Mexico penitentiary left for Oklahoma City Sunday afternoon to bring back Newton Brigrance, lifer, who escaped over the wall on New Year's day.

Brigrance had made his way to Oklahoma City in a series of stolen automobiles wearing clothing stolen from a store in Las Vegas and was caught by the Oklahoma City police Saturday night.

The convict was sentenced to ninety-nine years in prison for shooting to death Chief of Police Davis of Raton several years ago, abandoned the automobile of Harvy Kelly stolen from Las Vegas when he reached Dodge City, Kansas, and there stole another automobile, Warden Dugan said.

He took the license plates off the Las Vegas car and put them on the Dodge City car, throwing the latter plates away, and that act ended his story. When he reached Oklahoma City the officers were immediately attracted by the peculiar design of the New Mexico license plates and the license numbers of the Las Vegas car were recognized.

On New Year's night, Brigrance had stolen three automobiles in Santa Fe. His attempts to get away in two of them failed when the cars broke down, but in the third he got close to Las Vegas before he wrecked that car. The car was found on the roadside with a broken wheel.

The following day while the Las Vegas police were searching for the thief who looted the Danzinger store in Old Town of clothing, and for the thief who stole Harry Kelley's automobile, the convict garb of Brigrance was found in the river near the city.

Brigrance had made his escape from the penitentiary by climbing up a water pipe leaned against the inside wall to gain the top. He then ran a few feet into an unoccupied guard tower and dashed down the steps on the outside of the wall.

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