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MRS. ANNIE ALBERTA DOWNS DIED SATURDAY AFTER A SHORT ILLNESS

Mrs. Annie Albert Downs, a resident of Hagerman for about twenty years, died at her home here Saturday afternoon after a short illness.

Mrs. Downs had been in ill health several years, but her sickness became grave only a few weeks ago. She came unexpectedly after she seemed to be improving.

Mrs. Downs would have been fifty years of age Sunday, having been born in 1881, in Alabama. She lived with her parents in Texas until she was a young girl. In 1898, she married Walter McDonald Downs and they moved to New Mexico in 1904, where they homesteaded about five miles south of Lovington.

Mrs. Downs was killed in 1916 by a fall from a horse.

There were eight children in the family: John Ollie, Alvin, Douglas, Annia Alberta, Elsie, Mattie and Stacia. Six are now living. Mattie and Stacia are in the Christian church the portion of her life, and had a host of friends by her wonderful character.

The funeral was held in the First Presbyterian church Monday afternoon with Rev. J. A. Hedges in charge of the services. Interment was in Hagerman cemetery.

DAIRY SHOW MAY 7th

The Hagerman Dairy Show is to be held Thursday, May 7th in the old and hide building just west of railroad tracks. In addition to stock it is planned to include in the show this year.

The growing interest in the show states that the show this year will exceed the splendid show of last year. There should be larger better classes of livestock exhibited. The month remaining will be sufficient time to get all animals in satisfactory condition for show.

A number of outstanding people indicated their intentions of attending the show; these include: J. Tinsley, agricultural agent for the state; D. T. Dimons, representative of the American Jersey Cattle Club; E. E. Anderson, state extension dairyman and Dr. Black, state extension animal husbandman.

The boys in the high school agricultural department are managing the show and earnestly desire as much support of the community.

The enlarged premium lists will be announced soon.

M. HORRELL FOUND DEAD ON THE HARDIN RANCH LAST WEEK

Funeral services for William H. Horrell, rancher, who was found dead on the Wink Hardin ranch, were held at Hope Thursday.

Mr. Horrell, age 64, had lived in this section for forty-five years. The cause of Mr. Horrell's death was ascertained March 31st was a heart attack. The deceased is survived by a widow.

GILPIN'S SPECIALTY SHOP OPEN NOW

When Gilpin who has been for several years manager of Joyce Company's store at Roswell, announces the opening of Gilpin's Specialty Shop, across the street from Montgomery Ward's store in Hagerman.

This new establishment will handle a distinctive line of ladies' clothing. The building is very beautiful, appointed, and the absolute best of Mr. Gilpin and his corps of clerks, assures pleasant connection with the new concern.

ANDERSON AND PARTY IN CAR WRECK

While returning from the Pecos Valley Presbyterian meeting in Arroyo Wednesday night, Rev. John Anderson, pastor of the Presbyterian church of Dexter had the misfortune to overturn his car two miles west of Hagerman injuring four of the occupants.

W. C. Sterrett received the most serious injury that of a broken leg. Mrs. Frank Crain was painfully bruised. Mrs. Anderson, the wife of the minister, was also bruised. Mr. Sterrett and Rev. Anderson were unhurt.

An accident occurred when a front wheel blew out. The car was not driven at an excessive degree of speed. It was damaged considerably.

FEDERAL MEN INSPECT SITES FOR HATCHERY IN VALLEY PAST WEEK

The various prospective sites for the location of a federal fish hatchery in the Pecos valley were inspected the first of the week by representatives of the federal fish hatcheries. In the party of inspectors were Henry O'Malley of Washington, D. C., chief of the federal bureau of fisheries; Fred J. Foster, Salt Lake City, federal district supervisor of the bureau and G. C. Leach of Washington, first assistant to Mr. O'Malley. The party piloted by M. Stevenson, deputy game warden, passed thru here Monday from Carlsbad en route to Roswell and left for Santa Rosa.

This was the second visit of the federal bureau heads after a bill authorizing the appropriation of \$50,000 for the construction of a warm water hatchery passed congress more than a year ago. While the visitors were non committal, it is known that they were favorably impressed with several locations inspected.

Section of a site for the government's \$50,000 fish hatchery for New Mexico will not be made until proposals on water rights at the proposed sites have been submitted, Fred J. Foster of Salt Lake City, district supervisor of the bureau of fisheries, said at Albuquerque Tuesday.

SON BORN

Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Williamson announce the arrival of a baby boy Wednesday night. The youngster has been named Bobbie Charles.

SOCIAL ITEMS

THURSDAY CLUB

The Hagerman Thursday club met on Thursday in the lovely home of Mrs. W. L. Heitman with Mrs. Willis Pardee as leader. "Pottery" was the subject and was handled in a very efficient and interesting manner by D. N. Pope, superintendent of Roswell public schools, and an ardent student of this art. He began with the "Origin of Pottery," and traced it down thru the natural growth, to the present day period, and illustrated with several pieces of pottery, among them, some of his own design and creation. He also noted that at LaLuz, is located one of the largest tile and pottery factories in America, and that "Maria," of the San De Ilfonso Pueblo, 18 miles from Santa Fe, is of world wide fame, as a maker of perfect pottery.

During the social hour which followed, Mrs. Heitman, proved as ever the charming hostess, in serving refreshments that carried out Easter suggestions and colors. The club voted thanks to Mr. Pope for the interesting and pleasant lesson.

BIRTHDAY DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. Harshey were hosts on Thursday at a seven o'clock dinner, complimentary to the birthday of Mrs. Tom McKinstry. Seated around the table were Messrs. and Mesdames Tom McKinstry, James McKinstry, Edmund McKinstry, and Kenneth Preston, Miss Rue Hammond, J. E. McKinstry, Lloyd Edgar and Richard Harshey and the host and hostess.

MRS. KNOLL SHOWERED

Mrs. Coy C. Knoll (nee Margaret Curry) was the honoree at a delightful shower, on Monday afternoon at the educational building of the Methodist church, with Mesdames Bryan Hall and James McNamara as hostesses. To Mrs. Knoll, was given a basket of candy Easter eggs on which was written directions to follow, and the hunt revealed numerous dainty wrapped packages, containing lovely gifts. Refreshments of tea and cake were served to a very large number of friends of this popular young bride.

W. M. S. MEETING

Zone district No. 2, of the Women's Missionary Society of the Methodist church, held its quarterly meeting at the Dexter Methodist church on Friday afternoon at 2:30 p. m. Mrs. E. R. McKinstry called the meeting to order, and Mrs. Ben Jack West led the devotional exercises. Because of Mrs. Hinkle's absence, Mrs. Linebaugh of Roswell, was elected president. After the business meeting, games were played and refreshments were served to those present, namely delegates from Roswell, Dexter and Hagerman.

WILL YOU TELL

Our advertisers, please, that you noticed their advertisement in The Messenger.

DEXTER NEWS

Oscar Kunkel was a business caller in Roswell Thursday.

A. D. Hill of the Cottonwood vicinity was in Dexter Monday.

M. Y. Monical and B. F. Coats were in Hagerman Thursday on business.

Mrs. Tommy Wayne of Tatum spent the week-end with relatives in Dexter.

Miss Alsop of Houston, Texas is visiting her father and mother of Dexter.

Breeb Hurst and Earl Love were looking after business in Roswell Friday.

Sodi Durand, who has been ill for the past week, is slightly improved.

Mrs. John Wier and Mrs. P. N. Albright were shopping in Roswell Wednesday.

The Board of Education held its monthly meeting at the school house Monday evening.

Earl Greshaw of the White Lake ranch was in Dexter Wednesday for a truck load of hay.

Mrs. O. L. McMains, Miss Agnes McMains and Mrs. E. O. Moore, spent Wednesday in Roswell.

L. F. Welty was in Dexter Thursday, and brought a truck load of hay from Leo Nowak.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter McMains are going to live on the Snipes place and farm with C. L. McMains this season.

Mr. Alsop is confined to his bed this week, with asthma and heart trouble. It is hoped he will be much better soon.

Mrs. Richard Reinecke, who has been in Dexter for the past week, returned to her home in Albuquerque last Sunday.

Frank Phillips of the Triangle Lumber and Hardware Company, was looking after business in Roswell Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter McMains and little daughter, of Stratford, Texas arrived Friday for a visit with the C. L. McMains family.

Miss Ethel Weaver, is home for a short visit with home folks. Miss Weaver graduates at the University at Albuquerque in June.

MRS. LOMAN WILEY NEW PRESIDENT OF P. T. A.

The annual meeting of the P. T. A. was Tuesday evening at the school auditorium, at 7:30, Mrs. Raymond Durand presiding. After the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting and treasurers report given by Mr. Hawell, the association proceeded to elect the officers for the coming year: The nominating committee, had the slate completed, which was accepted, and all officers were voted in by acclamation and their names follow: Mrs. Loman Wiley, president; Mrs. I. W. Marshall, first vice-president; J. B. Harwell, secretary-treasurer; Miss Margaret Edmonson, parliamentarian; Miss Blanche Pollock, historian.

The association voted to place the National Congress Parent Teachers Association Library on the Dexter P. T. A. book shelf. This is indeed a wonderful thing for the Dexter school. A report was given by the court of approval on the work accomplished in eye testing and fitting glasses to six pupils.

Mr. Graham in his most efficient manner presented in lesson form, "The Study Course from Character Training of the Child and His Vocation." A concise and interesting health report concerning the Dexter school children was given by Supt. Graham. A piano duet was well rendered by Vernon Ashton and Gerald Andrews. At the close of the program, the social committee, composed of Mrs. George Weaver, Mrs. Phil Albright and Miss Moss, served delicious refreshments to forty-three members and guests.

At the closing of the year before the opening of the new year for Parent Teachers Association, it is most fitting that a vote of thanks be tendered to the retiring president. The Dexter vicinity, school and P. T. A. wishes to take this manner to express to Mrs. Raymond Durand, the retiring president, its sincere thanks and appreciation of her wonderful leadership of two of the most successful years the association has experienced. Mrs. Durand has been heartily in co-operation with every movement for the betterment of the Dexter school. She has given most freely, her time, her ability and made every effort to carry on the work of this organization successfully.

CHAVES COUNTY COUNCIL MEETS IN DEXTER SAT.

Dexter will entertain the Chaves County Council on April 11th, at the school building. The meeting will be called to order at ten o'clock. (Continued on last page, column 1)

S. W. PUBLIC SERVICE CO. TO SHOW THE NEW FRIGIDAIRE FRI.—SAT.

The annual spring showing of Frigidaire advanced electric refrigerators in the valley will begin Friday, and will continue for a two day period, during which the show-room will be open evenings for the reception of visitors, the Southwestern Public Service Co., announced recently.

"We are featuring all-white porcelain-on-steel electric refrigerators, which are being presented with an all-inclusive three year guarantee covering both the cabinet and the mechanism," the local manager, Howard Williams said. This double guarantee is the broadest ever offered by Frigidaire Corporation," he continued, "and we have been able to institute it because of many years of experience with porcelain enameling and the manufacturing of electrical refrigeration equipment."

"We believe that the Frigidaires which will be exhibited at the spring showing are the finest ever offered the public, providing as they do lower operating cost, more ice capacity, faster freezing, an acid-resisting porcelain finish in the food compartment, more surplus power, quieter operation and all the other features which combine to make a really advanced electric refrigerator."

"The new Waldorf-Astoria hotel at New York, said to be the finest hotel in the world, is equipped with the same type of Frigidaires. Seeking the highest quality furnishings and equipment for its ultra-exclusive tower apartment suites, the management recently chose Frigidaire from among many other types of electric refrigerators."

LOCAL ITEMS

Mrs. L. M. Carlson of Amarillo, Texas, is visiting in the J. A. Buford home.

Grandmother T. J. Nail is ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Louis Heick, of Dexter.

Little Mabel Ellen Waldrop, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Waldrop is ill with a severe cold.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Miller and family of Carlsbad, were in Hagerman spending Easter Sunday.

W. E. Jacobson has just completed a new shallow well, the water to be lifted by an engine and used for irrigation.

W. M. Hall and family of East Grand Plains were here Sunday visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Hall.

A number of Hagerman women attended the meeting of the Baptist Women's Missionary Society held in Artesia Tuesday.

J. S. Pardee, son of Mr. and Mrs. Willis Pardee, spent Easter here visiting with his parents. Mr. Pardee is from Rockford, Illinois.

Messrs. and Mesdames Harold Miller, Dub Andrus and H. L. McKinstry ate enchiladas with Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Bowen on Sunday evening.

R. Jennings has been seriously ill at his home here for the last six weeks. He is painfully troubled with neuritis in his feet. We hope that he will begin to improve quickly.

Rev. George Elam, who has been conducting a study course for the B. Y. P. U. of the Baptist church, left for his home in Albuquerque Friday.

Pete Losey has a new boat. Not the kind that runs on wheels, but a sure enough water horse. He will use it attempting to catch various assortments of fish this summer.

Mildred Key, who has been visiting in Portales for the last six weeks with her grandparents, returned Monday. Miss Key was met at the train by a host of her Hagerman school mates.

Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Kelly, of Watseka, Illinois who have been spending the winter in San Diego and Los Angeles, California, were visitors, Saturday in the Tom McKinstry home, en route to their home. Mrs. Kelly and Mrs. McKinstry are cousins.

Messenger want ads get results.

CLEAN-UP WEEK

Mayor West has designated next week as "Clean-Up Week" in Hagerman. Let's all enter into the spirit of the plan and clean up lots, yards and homes.

P. T. A. PROGRAM WAS WELL ATTENDED TUES. TOY ORCHESTRA FINE

The program given Thursday afternoon at the Parent Teacher's Association meeting at the high school attracted a large crowd of spectators.

The toy orchestra, under the direction of Mrs. Floyd Childress proved the hit of the afternoon. All parts given by the children showed talent and preparation.

Much credit is due Mrs. Childress, the lower grade teachers and the parents of the participating children for the success of the occasion.

Following the program, a business meeting was held, at which time the following officers were elected to serve in the Parent Teachers Association: Mrs. C. O. Holloway, president; Miss Jessie George, vice-president; Mrs. L. E. Henricksen, secretary and Mrs. C. G. Mason, treasurer.

Plans were made at this meeting to attend the county council held at Dexter next Saturday.

The play ground committee reported that 100 Chinese elms had been planted around the play ground. Superintendent White, and the boys of the school planted the trees. 100 feet of hose were purchased by the school board to facilitate the watering of the ground and trees.

Plans were made to serve the Junior-Senior banquet on April 23.

WIN MUSIC HONORS

Both Misses Carolyn and Merle Sweatt, were entrants in the district music contest, held at Artesia on last Saturday. Carolyn winning first place in violin and Merle making a grade of 91, next to the highest grade, which was 93, in piano. The winners of this contest go to Las Cruces to the state contest on the 17th and 18 of April, thus Hagerman will be represented by Carolyn, a talented young artist.

The following are the results of the district contest:

Piano (under 15 years of age): Janet Hoose of Carlsbad, first; Glena McLean, Artesia, second. Cello (over 15 years of age): Grace Sinclair Artesia, first. Cello (under 15 years): Marjorie Kerr, Artesia, first. Girls quartette: Artesia, first. Cornet: John William Collins, first. Girls and boys duet: Jeanne Wheatley and Edgar Bishop, Artesia, first. Orchestra: Artesia, first. Girl's glee club: Lovington, first. Mixed chorus: Artesia, first. Clarinet: Norman Savage, Roswell, first; Isabel Judkins, Carlsbad, second. Bass solo: Hobbs, first. Boys quartette: Artesia, first. Violin: Carolyn Sweatt, Hagerman, first; Edgar Bishop, Artesia, second.

T. C. RIPLEY, OLD TIME SANTA FE SURVEYOR SEES VALLEY AGAIN

T. C. Ripley, chief mechanical engineer of the Santa Fe Railroad and former Santa Fe surveyor for the Santa Fe, passed thru Artesia, Thursday with his family in a private car en route to the Carlsbad Caverns. Twenty-three years ago, Mr. Ripley surveyed the present town of Dexter and came to know a number of old timers in the valley.

MABIE LOWREY TO HOLD WASHING MACHINE DEMONSTRATION SAT.

J. H. Alfrey will demonstrate in the window of the Mabie Lowrey Hardware Company at Roswell Saturday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock, that the A. B. C. washer is so easily handled, a blind woman could wash clothes with it.

Mr. Alfrey, who is a representative of the A. B. C. Spinner Washing Machine Company, will be blind folded for the test. Mr. Alfrey has made these demonstrations in many cities of the country.

For this showing, he will be dressed as a woman, the dress being furnished by Price and Company, of Roswell. See the advertisement of this demonstration in this week's Messenger.

ROSWELL DENTIST GIVES UP

Milton A. Grissom, Roswell dentist, who was convicted of performing an illegal operation has voluntarily given himself up to the penitentiary officials to start serving a pen term of 36 to 46 years.

MAKING DELINQUENT TAX SURVEY OF SECTION

J. D. Mell, of Roswell, head of the delinquent tax collecting system is making a survey of this section with a view to cleaning up \$6,000,000 outstanding taxes in the state.

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HAROLD DYE, Managing Editor

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In a rival newspaper carrying a column of Hagerman news, there are twenty-one mistakes in the one column. Of course, we understand that no newspaper can be perfect, and that The Messenger is not. However, as we are citizens of Hagerman and know the majority of its residents personally, we can eliminate many mistakes which the outside papers does not recognize. It is the same with job printing. In a certain piece of job work printed out of town, we found seven errors in the spelling of personal names in one list of fifteen. Why not support your home town paper, when it gives you the most and the best for your money?

YOU ARE A LAW BREAKER!

During the recent sessions of the various state legislatures, practically all of which have been closed, upward to 100,000 laws were passed. This isn't of course saying anything about the thousands of laws, yes millions of laws already on the statute books, in addition to the multitude of federal laws. Is it reasonable to suppose that the ordinary individual knows all of the laws now in existence? Can he be a real law abiding citizen under these circumstances? He can be the same law-abiding citizen he has always been, but it is preposterous to suppose that he can keep from breaking the law occasionally. We used to hear the phrase that ignorance of the law is no excuse, but it would take a man of super-intelligence to be able to live under our present judicial system and not be charged with an infraction of the law occasionally.

The more complicated our civilization becomes, the more laws we shall have to contend with. Even under the mass of laws, man must conduct his affairs the best he knows how, observing as near as possible the golden rule. It would be unfair to ask him to memorize all of the laws on the state books of any one state.

NOTHING TO COMPLAIN OF

Some people living in New Mexico have been prone to complain over the hard times in recent months. A few people have suffered of course, and conditions have not been anything to brag about; still the financial situation over the state has been fairly stable. New Mexico did experience some real hard times in the years 1920 and 1921 and apparently learned a worthwhile lesson. So far as we recall the state has escaped the present depression without a single bank failure and furthermore, the banks generally show to be in almost as sound a financial condition as a year ago, according to the current statements.

JUST KIDS— Starting Young

By Ad Carter



NATION'S TYPICAL BOY AND DOG SOUGHT HERE

WANTED—America's typical boy and dog! \$250 prize and fame offered chosen pair by Kennel Foundation.

The Chappel Kennel Foundation, Rockford, Illinois, in its search for the nation's typical youngster and canine pal, has appealed to us for aid in finding them if they happen to be located in this section.

\$250.00 in cash and immortality by having their likeness reproduced in oils on canvas by a famous artist, await the chosen pair, which the Foundation is anxious to preserve for the inspiration of future generations as a symbol of the high type of companionship represented by the boy-dog combination of our own day. The winning team will also be presented to many notables, will probably be starred on the radio and in the movies, and in general enjoy the plaudits of an admiring multitude.

Selection of the winning pair is to be left in the hands of a jury of prominent men and women which is now being completed. The choice is to be made from nominations which the public is invited to submit to the Foundation prior to September 15th, 1931. Photographs of contestants may be submitted with the nominations, but a final decision will not be made by the judges until they have seen and investigated the leading candidates.

To be eligible for nomination to the boy-and-dog contest, a youngster must not be under four or over fourteen years of age. The dog must be his own or that of a member of his immediate family. The age, size, color or breed of the dog are of secondary importance.

In inaugurating the boy-dog search, L. J. Brosemer, director of the Foundation, stated:

"Character building in the young is one of the great problems of the times. The Foundation is convinced that a dog makes a boy a better man and is encouraging every home with a boy to keep a pure-bred dog. A recent study of a large penal institution revealed the fact that less than one per cent of its inmates had a pet to play with in their formative years. Through the boy-dog contest, the Foundation hopes to catch the spirit of this comradeship and perpetuate it in some tangible form for this and future generations."

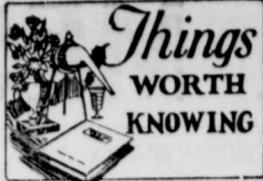
BOYS WILL BE BOYS

Boys haven't changed. They are still about as bad, just about as good as when we inked the flaxen "pigtailed" of the girls at the desk in front, or sheepishly carried to mother a tiger-lily bouquet from the woods. And boys still like to chum around with other boys. They are incurable little gangsters—as they always have been.

"No boys haven't changed, but, fortunately, we adults have. We no longer say "thou shalt not" to that gang impulse. We accept it. We encourage it. We try intelligently to supply an outlet for its normal expression through such organizations as Boy Scouts, 4-H, Boy's clubs, Highlanders and Sea Scouts. And, if we are sincere, we shall take a nactive part in making Boy's Week, April 25 to May 2, a community vote of encouragement and confidence for those to whom we commit the care of our sons.

The old idea of making bad boys into good men was to "nip in the bud," with rigid discipline their wrong doing. The new lead is so to fill the youngsters' waking hours with adventurous activities that it seems natural to do those things which more experienced elders know makes for wholesome citizenship.—The Rotarian.

In the good old days, if a man shot his wife or vice versa, he was duly punished or if a man stole a million dollars, he did time in the pen. Now if a man kills his wife in a dramatic fashion he is offered a movie contract or if he steals a million dollars, he runs for governor or senator. If, however, he makes a mistake and takes a few dollars, it's just too bad. Cheap publicity is responsible.



Tests by the U. S. department of agriculture in growing crotalaria show that this new crop is well adapted to the poor sandy soils of the south, particularly for green manure.

A good stand of alfalfa is easily injured by overgrazing. Alfalfa should not be pastured the first year and only lightly the second. It is doubtful if it is advisable to pasture alfalfa at all in the east because of the difficulty of getting a good stand in this section. Hogs are less injurious to alfalfa than other livestock.

Don't turn the dairy cows on pasture too early in the spring. Early spring grass is watery and immature. Wait until the grass is 3 or 4 inches high, and then turn them on it—but for only a few hours a day at first—and continue to feed grain, hay and silage for a while, to lessen the danger of bloating.

Mineral deficiencies in the soil and consequently in pasture plants may cause poor development of livestock or even disease. Animals grazing on pasture deficient in phosphorus often develop a morbid appetite, stiffness of joints, and a staggering gait. They may eat such substances as dirt or bone. The disease may be checked or cured by giving bone meal, sodium phosphate, or by changing to a pasture known to contain sufficient phosphorus. In some parts of the country the vegetation is deficient in iodine, causing goiter and often hairlessness of newborn animals. These conditions are corrected by including some compound of iodine in the rations. Pastures low in calcium are thought to be the cause of the mal-development of the bones of horses.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department Of The Interior, United States Land Office, Las Cruces, New Mexico, March 6, 1931.

NOTICE is hereby given that Calvin Graham, of Lake Arthur, N. Mex. who, on May 19, 1926, made additional homestead application No. 028490, for W 1/2 Sec. 29, SE 1/4 Sec. 30, Township 14-S., Range 25-E., N. M. P. Meridian has filed notice of intention to make 3 year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Dan C. Savage, U. S. Commissioner, at Roswell, N. M. on the 17th day of April, 1931.

Claimant names as witnesses: Warren N. Perry, Henry G. Perry, both of Hagerman, N. Mex., John W. Graham, Sam Derrick both of Lake Arthur, N. Mex.

V. B. MAY, Register.

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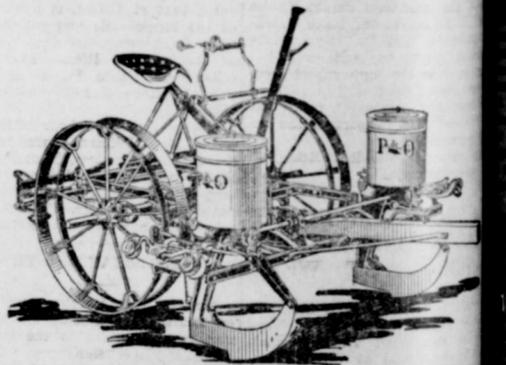
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CAPITOL SNAPS

By Fred Holmes,
Washington Correspondent

SA CITY, Missouri—I am remark that "its funny what a difference just a few make." In Washington, the get of each major political is in cross-section, with detail standing out and having upon our analysis and ment. As one get farther away the capitol, one after another tails become obscured and the develops by gradual stages into pective.

Ohio, political interest is cen- in Senator Fess. Will he re- chairman of the republican na- committee? If not, who will a him? In Illinois, they are g over the effect of the re- of their legislature in re- of the state prohibition enforce- law upon the national conven- of both parties next year. In they are very much exer- over the fate of their own Curtis. Will the "powers" make him again Herbert's running mate in 1932? If and the fates are good to the can party next year) who will him as presiding officer senate? Most of all, does his job, anyway, and would er to end his political days floor instead of in the chair?

er mid-western states, confront- no peculiarly local problems, terested in the prospective tax in the effect of President's veto of the Muscle Shoals where the farm-relief aro- is going to land, in who will the next democratic standard- and in that seemingly vital en, what will be the attitude 1932 democratic convention on subject of prohibition.

at particularly engrossed the politicians was the report that up of republican senators, ac- by a suggestion made by Pres- Hoover before he departed Caribbean cruise, has under- conferences on a program of nize the party's national ittee. Incidentally, predictions made by some senators that development was to be expected aggressive campaign to bring tion delegates, including those the south, into solid alignment the president in the campaign year.

first step which this group of er advocates is the selection of chairman of the committee eced Senator Fess, who ac- the post last year when Claud- Houston resigned. It was then that the senator would be acceptable to all factions. It ported that he intended to re- sh the chairmanship before con- met last December, but as no orator satisfactory to the presi- had been found, he was pre- upon to remain. Early this he again was reported anxious and go on a long vacation, the last moment changed his

the adjournment of congress, er Fess has said nothing about acclamations, but the senatorial feel that he will withdraw- uarily if it becomes apparent the president has found a can- satisfactory to him, one who be willing to jump right into ight and remain in office thru- the campaign.

nois has voted to repeal its tion enforcement statute and become the seventh state without y law if Governor Emmerson the bill. Responding to the one vote of the lectorate last n, the legislature had no choice than to accept the obvious wish e voters. The governor's po- is much the same. Senator maintains that this action is ight nullification." And "nul- ion," it will be recalled, is the that aroused popular feeling ver heat in the fifty's. They ver in Illinois, that even though epeal of dry laws be construed nullification, the fact remains e have in America no means ring a state into an action it as to take. Nothing short of ary force can be found to bring ure on one of the 48 common- tha, and to this limit none is red to go at present—although W. W. Woodcock's dry army any of the elements of a war ealcitrant states.

er in Kansas, just across the from where this is written, are many who assert that Pres- Hoover's ulterior motive in tioning" in Porto Rico was to into the limelight as a prelimi- step in grooming him for the presidential nomination next Aroused by reports that the dent is seriously considering our

ROSWELL MAN NAMED STATE HIWAY ENGINEER SATURDAY AT SANTA FE

SANTA FE—W. R. Eccles, recently appointed district highway engineer at Roswell, will relieve W. C. Davidson as chief engineer for the New Mexico Highway Department on May 1.

"I consider that the commission has made a good appointment in the selection of Mr. Eccles," Davidson said.

"He is qualified by technical training and practical experience in highway building to assume the duties of chief engineer of the department. I have agreed to stay for a short time, during which I intend to give the new highway commission and Mr. Eccles my full co-operation in expediting the federal emergency program.

"My resignation becomes effective May 1, at which time I expect to engage in private business."

Mr. Davidson has been associated with the state highway department for almost fifteen years continuously. "It has been a decade and a half of pleasant association and work," Mr. Davidson said, "and I bespeak for my successor the same splendid co-operation that has been given me by the people of the state."

The appointment of Mr. Eccles creates a vacancy in the ranks of the district engineers, and it is understood that Glen D. Macey, who was a candidate for chief engineer will be appointed as engineer in charge of the Roswell district succeeding Mr. Eccles. With the \$4,508,000 emergency highway program under construction it is not considered likely that the new highway commission will make further changes in the district engineers at present. The United States Bureau of Public Roads has expressed itself as opposed to any general shakeup in the New Mexico department until after September 30.

Porto Rican governor as his running mate in 1932, friends of Vice-President Charles Curtis have determined to have a show-down now that the president has returned to Wash- ington.

In the event that the president expresses a desire to change horses in the middle of the stream, so to speak, Mr. Curtis is expected to step aside and enter the race in Kansas for his old seat in the senate, now held by Senator George McGill, democrat. No intimation of his purposes has been forthcoming from the vice-president, but it is intimated that he will not submit to his elimination from the executive branch of the government without something of a struggle.

Some political observers here think they see in Secretary Hurley's endorsement of Vice-President Curtis still further proof of the Oklahoma's availability for the chairmanship of the national republican committee. Within a few hours after he had returned to his desk, following his cruise of the Caribbean with the president, Hurley let it be known that he would support Curtis for renomination in 1932. He made the statement in response to questions regarding reports that he might be Mr. Hoover's next running mate. He asserted that he had supported Curtis for the vice-presidency on two occasions and expected to back him again if the Kansan desired the nomination.

Meanwhile, it may be stated with authority that the president has not definitely decided on a successor to senator Simeon D. Fess, of Ohio, the present chairman of the national committee, nor given the slightest intimation of his preference as regards his running for 1932.

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BASEBALL NOTES

BASEBALL GAME FRIDAY

Baseball activities will be opened tomorrow afternoon (Friday) at 3:15 p. m when Coach Wellborn trots his high school nine on the diamond for a seven inning clash with the vanguard of Hagerman's future town team. The game is scheduled to be played at the school house.

Not a great deal of pre-game dope is available regarding the strength of these two teams, since this will be the first appearance of the year for each. The coach declined to announce his probable line-ups because he expects to use numerous substitutions in an attempt to get a better slant on his men in actual competition. He indicated that Dennis Harris might be the starting hurler with Ross Langenegger or Royce Lankford handling the catching assignment.

In the absence of some of the regulars, new aspirants will be given consideration as likely material for the town team which is to be organized in the next two weeks. Those most likely to grace tomorrow's aggregation are: Bryan Hall, catcher; Alma Nail, first base; Roy Bartlett, second base; Trent Schmitz, third base; Sam Boyce, short stop; John Bowen, left field; John Langenegger, right field and Wilfred McCormick, pitcher.

No admission will be charged and the public is encouraged to attend this opening fracas.

"I'm going to call my garage the 'Half-Way Inn'."

"Why so?"

"Because that's the way my wife parks the car."

"Are you bothered with things dancing in front of your eyes?" inquired the eye specialist.

"Yes, and those new garters bother me some, too."

George—Well, it takes two to make a quarrel, so I'll shut up.

Georgette—That's just like a contemptible man. Now you'll sit there and think mean things.

Watt—So that famous forger died suddenly? What was the cause?

Howe—A doctor gave him a prescription for a dangerous drug and he couldn't resist raising the figures before having it filled.

TO ISSUE DEBENTURES

SANTA FE—Faced with the necessity of finding funds with which to complete the federal aid emergency highway program in New Mexico, Governor Arthur Seligman said Friday that the state finance board would be asked to authorize the issuance of a half million to a million of the \$2,000,000 debentures authorized by the tenth legislature.

The governor's statement was made after a long conference in which the governor, new members of the state highway commission and federal road bureau officials discussed the question of financing the emergency program. The finance board, Governor Seligman said, would be asked to advertise the debentures for sale at an early date.

The commission decided to ask the state finance board to advertise one million of the \$2,000,000 debentures authorized by the last legislature. Mr. Butt said the funds were needed to meet the federal aid being used on the emergency program. The state must advance the money until refunds are made by the federal government, he said.

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LOW BIDS ON EIGHT HIGHWAY PROJECTS ARE ANNOUNCED TUESDAY

SANTA FE—The state highway commission and Governor Arthur Seligman Friday had under consideration the awarding of contracts on eight highway projects totaling approximately three-quarters of a million dollars, on which bids were received recently.

Approximately seventy-four miles of highway is involved in this letting which is the last under the federal aid emergency highway construction program.

With these contracts in effect New Mexico will have put approximately 375 miles of highway under construction since January 1, with projects to cost around \$4,500,000.

The low bids are:

Project in Colfax county between Colfax and Maxwell Junction, McClure and Dennison, Tucumcari, \$109,625.52.

Project in Quay county between Tucumcari and Montoya, Ralph Pleasant, Amarillo, \$60,922.91.

Project in Santa Fe county between Santa Fe and Tesque, New Mexico Construction Company, Albuquerque, \$133,917.32.

Project in McKinley county between Gallup and Guam, New Mexico Construction Company, \$139,581.05.

Project in Quay county to replace about two miles of road washed out by floods approximately 35 miles from Tucumcari on the way to Glen-coe, McClure and Dennison, Tucumcari, \$43,895.91.

Project in Santa Fe county, from the junction of the Lamy road with the Santa Fe-Las Vegas road to Canyoncito, completing the last gap on the Santa Fe-Las Vegas road. Cook and Ransom, Ottawa, Kansas, \$93,418.90.

Project in Dona Ana county between Las Cruces and Deming, Robert McKee, El Paso, \$89,902.89.

Project in Union county, between Grenville and Des Moines, Tom L. Green, Oklahoma City, \$82,665.34.

These totals are subject to revis-

TOBACCO CHEWING DEER

"Bill," the mountain buck deer loaned the City Park collection by Mr. Rollins, of Weed, two or three months ago, has acquired the unique distinction of being an habitual tobacco chewer. He doesn't stop at chewing the noxious weed, however, but simply eats it. A visitor to the park Sunday afternoon cut a generous slice off of his plug of chewing and offered it to Bill, who ate

it with apparent relish, and by his pleading, appealing look when the first offering was disposed of, plainly showed that he wanted more.—Alamogordo Advertiser.

Bill is evidently the same deer that frequented the Artesia Sacramento camp last summer.

Pullman Conductor—"What are you doing with those towels in your grip?"

Patron—"They are some I used the last time I was on this train and I had them washed and brought them back."

ion, Chief Highway Engineer W. C. Davidson said.

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Department Of The Interior, U. S. Land Office at Las Cruces, New Mexico, March 7, 1931.

NOTICE is hereby given that Levi J. C. Beadle, of Caprock, N. Mex., who, on April 12, 1930, made additional homestead entry, No. 041679, for SE 1/4, S 1/2 NE 1/4, Section 17, Township 10-S, Range 30-E, N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make 3 year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Dan C. Savage, U. S. Commissioner, at Roswell, N. Mex., on the 18th day of April, 1931.

Claimant names as witnesses: George A. Crumb, Victor H. Waldrop, Steve Crosby, James P. Henry all of Caprock, N. Mex.

V. B. MAY, Register.

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NEW MEXICO FARMERS TO INCREASE ACREAGE OF THE MAIN CROPS

LAS CRUCES—New Mexico farmers will increase their acreage in all of the major crops with the exception of beans, if they adhere to present indications according to a report recently released by the New Mexico Livestock and Reporting Service.

The report which is prefaced by the statement that "this statement of farmer's intentions to plant is not a forecast of the acreage that will be planted, but simply an indication based on what has already been planted," shows a substantial increase in corn, grain sorghums and hay.

According to present indications the New Mexico farmer will plant or intends to plant 258,000 acres of corn this year or an increase of 20 per cent over the harvested acreage last year; grain sorghums acreage of 258,000 acres represents an increase of 25 per cent over the 1930 harvested acreage; tame hay acreage of 210,000 acres represents an increase of 10 per cent over last year. However, the bean growers plan to plant 216,000 acres which represents a decrease of 5 per cent from the 1930 acreage.

The reports made by the farmers covered the period up to March 1, and the acreage may be smaller or larger than these early intentions reports indicate. This, however, all depends upon weather conditions, price changes, labor supply and the effect of the report itself upon producers' action.

APRIL, DISASTER MONTH

Five or six wars involving the U. S. A. began in April, which also has been a month of disasters and acts of violence generally as this chronology shows:

- Beginning of the Revolutionary War, 1775.
- Beginning of the war with Mexico, 1848.
- Beginning of the Civil War, 1861.
- Lincoln assassinated, 1865.
- Explosion and sinking of the steamer Sultana, causing the death of 1,850 Federal soldiers, 1865.
- Beginning of the Spanish-American War, 1898.
- San Francisco fire and earthquake, 1906.
- Sinking of the Titanic and loss of 1,517 lives, 1912.
- America's entry into the World War, 1917.
- Mississippi river floods, 1927.
- Ohio prison disaster, 1930.

WRITE STATE ENGINEER

Under Senate Bill No. 112, which was passed by the last state legislature, all waters found in any underground stream, channel, artesian basin, reservoir or lake, the boundaries of which may be reasonably determined, belong to the public and are subject to regulation and appropriation for beneficial use. The areas whose boundaries have been reasonably determined up to the present time are the Roswell Artesian Basin, in Chaves and Eddy counties, and the underground water areas in the Estancia valley, the Mimbres valley, Lea county and Hidalgo county.

Under the law as passed, which becomes effective on June 14th of this year, anyone now having a right to the use of underground waters by reason of beneficial use thereof may file a declaratory statement of such rights in the state engineer's office at Santa Fe, and in addition record the same with the county clerk of their county. Any new appropriation of water or any well to be drilled on or after June 14th can only be done by permit from the state engineer, after due application for such permit has been made to him.

Rules and regulation and all blanks necessary to be used under the new law are now being prepared by the state engineer and will be available for distribution about the first of June. Anyone desiring to make a declaration of their present rights, as well as anybody desiring to drill a well or in any other way appropriate any underground waters, should write in to the state engineer about the first of June and secure the necessary blanks for such purposes.

Mrs. Mellon—What's this I hear about Agnes shooting her husband?
Mrs. Waters—It's a false alarm. She did plan to shoot him but the business depression and unemployment news has been taking up so much space lately she was afraid she wouldn't be able to make the front page.

Helen Heartail—Is your boy friend the kind that can smile when things look dark?
Lily Lovesick—Yes, that's the way he likes the parlor to look.

We wish to thank our many friends and relatives for the kindness shown us during the sudden death of our dearest mother. May God's richest blessings be bestowed upon each of you.

The Downs children and families. 17-1tp

THYM'S ROYAL TASTES Baffle Fish Experts

NEW YORK — "Fish tales" and mystery stories merge into one when it comes to dealing with his majesty, Thymallus montanus, or the Montana grayling, several baffled state conservation departments indicate in reports to the American Game Association.

Thymallus, known to anglers as the fish royalty of inland waters—and to those irreverent or royalty as plain "Thym"—has extremely aristocratic tastes in food and surroundings, experts have found in trying to restore his dwindling tribe.

This, however, the experts could forgive. They have shown they do not mind kowtowing to piscatorial royalty. King Thym is rare sport, a gamey, jaunty fighter whom the sportsmen love to tackle.

So experts of the state fish hatcheries have hopped about like faithful minions. They have hatched Thym's children in special glass jars of running water, instead of troughs where other fish thrive. They have striven in every way to please.

But the mystery is that for the life of them the eager experts have not been able to discover what food the finicky graylings prefer, or why they deign to abide in certain waters and turn up their noses at other homes which seem just as suitable.

In spite of the valiant attempts to transplant graylings in other states, that prize game fish is found only in Alaska, Montana and a few lakes and streams of Michigan. And even here they are disappearing from waters in which they once abounded, and are refusing to return.

After experimenting with every imaginable fish food, from wild mustang meat to the finest of laboratory concoctions, in their efforts to satisfy King Thym and his offspring, the experts still report that graylings require "unknown elements which civilization seems to be taking from the waters." They still have to plant royal infants yet in the yolk stage—and hope for their princely pleasure.

THE RURAL PRESS

Here's what H. H. Fish, president of the Western Newspaper Union has to say about the rural press, as quoted in the Publisher's Auxiliary: "While there are less small-town newspapers than formerly, the decrease in my opinion is not due to the encroachment of the metropolitan daily press; it is due rather to the elimination of weak papers in communities large enough to support only one or two where formerly there were several struggling for existence."

"The change has come about largely thru mergers, the stronger papers absorbing the weaker with the result that the country newspaper business has been greatly strengthened. Over a period of some fifteen years there has been a decrease of approximately three thousand weekly newspapers in the United States. This is the equivalent of about one paper per county in the entire country."

"Small-town newspapers to-day are better than ever before; they are more influential, they are stronger advertising mediums, their community news coverage is more complete, their local advertising is more representative, their feature pages are vastly improved, they are better printed, they are more prosperous."

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My hens just busted
Their little caboose.

Bought me some shoats,
Put them on the rye;
They sold for a profit—
Yeah, in a pig's eye!

I raised a surplus,
But when I want to sell,
They told me the price
Was shot to hell.

So I bought some cows,
And built a pasture fence,
Sold their butter
For fifteen cents.

So when it comes to the point,
I want to tell you men,
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GOVERNOR SELIGMAN APPROVES 162 OUT OF 509 MEASURES

SANTA FE — One hundred and sixty-two out of 509 bills introduced during the tenth state legislature were approved by Governor Arthur Seligman and will become the laws of the state, Rupert F. Asplund, director of the New Mexico Taxpayers Association, said Tuesday.

The volume of the 1931 legislature is considerably less than that of the 1929 legislature when compared with the 203 bills approved by the governor. In 1927 the governor approved 188 bills.

"Of the 162 laws enacted by the last legislature and approved by the governor only 38 carried an emergency clause," Asplund said. "This is a substantial improvement over the 1929 figures, where 41 per cent of the laws carried the emergency clause and 60 per cent in 1927."

Senator Oliver Lee was given credit by Mr. Asplund for this improvement. Senator Lee maintained that emergency clauses should be stricken if they were unnecessary and un-called for. It is generally conceded Asplund said, that the emergency clause should be attached only to bills of an emergency character. To make unnecessary use of the clause means that the laws will be in effect without the people having any knowledge of them.

"As a result of the legislature's use of the emergency clause during this last session," Asplund said, "the secretary of state can economize, for it will not be necessary for her to have so many of the acts copied to furnish the county clerks as is required in the case of all acts carrying this clause."

A simple scorch stain can often be removed by moistening the spot with water and placing in the sun. For more serious cases on white cotton or linen, hydrogen peroxide may be used in this way: moisten a white cotton cloth with it, place over the stain, cover with a dry cloth, and iron with a medium hot iron. Do not allow the iron to come in contact with the fabric after it is moistened with peroxide or with the moist cloth used over it. The iron may leave rust stains on the garment if care is not exercised.

You can't tell a man's brain power by the size of his hat.

Business Man—I'm looking for a cashier.

Employment Agent—Why, I just furnished you one yesterday.

Business Man—That's the one I'm looking for.

Messenger Want Ads pay.

TEST ALL HERDS FOR LOW PRODUCING COWS

At no time has the low producing cow been so great a luxury as to-day says E. E. Anderson of the New Mexico Agricultural College.

Low producing cows are never very profitable but with present prices they are indeed a luxury and are losing money to their owners every day. The sad part of the situation is that a large per cent of the herds of the country are supporting one or more of these unprofitable non-producers and in most cases do not realize it. The only sure method of knowing whether or not every cow in the herd is more than paying for her board is to keep records of her production. The most practical system of record keeping now in use, where herds are small and scattered, is the mail order cow testing plan which is being employed in the eastern counties of the state. The cost of this system of detecting the low producer is so little that it is within easy reach of all.

The bureau of dairy industry esti-

mates that during normal times of third of the dairy cows are being milked at a loss to their owners, that only a third are really profitable. It is these low producing cows that are not only producing at a loss but are contributing to the surplus of dairy products that are now glutting our markets and keeping the price of butterfat down. If this profitable group of star boards was eliminated from the herds of the country, their owners would only make more profits from the milk that were left but in addition the prices of dairy products in general would be raised and dairying would be a more profitable enterprise than it is now.

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Gen. John J. Pershing.
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My Experiences in the World War By General John J. Pershing

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FOREWORD

My primary purpose in writing this story of the American expeditionary forces in France is to render what I conceive to be an important service to my country. In that adventure there are many lessons useful to the American people, should they ever again be called to arms, and I felt it a duty to record them as I saw them.

The World war found us absorbed in the pursuits of peace and quite unconscious of possible threat to our security. We would listen to no warnings of danger. We had made small preparation for defense and none for aggression. So when war actually came upon us we had to change the very habits of our lives and minds to meet its realities. The slow processes by which we achieved these changes and applied our latent power to the problems of combat in Europe, despite our will, our numbers and our wealth, I have endeavored to describe. Therein lie the lessons of which I write.

I wish to dedicate this modest work to the men of all ranks who served with me in France, and especially to those who gave their lives to the cause for which we fought.

To my comrades of the allied armies I wish to say that I am not attempting to write a history of the World war or of the epic part they took in it. I write of our own army and for our own people, and I have not consciously magnified or minimized the effort of any army or any people. There is credit for all of us in the final triumph of our united arms. The struggle of the allies was much longer, their sacrifices very much greater, than ours.

I am grateful to President Wilson and Secretary Baker for selecting me to command our armies and for the whole-hearted and unflinching support they accorded me in France. No commander was ever privileged to lead a finer force; no commander ever derived greater inspiration from the performance of his troops.

JOHN J. PERSHING.

CHAPTER I

On May 3, 1917, four weeks after the United States had declared war on Germany, I received the following telegram from my father-in-law, the late Senator F. E. Warren, in Washington:

"Write me today whether and how much you speak, read and write French."

At this time I was stationed at Fort Sam Houston, which adjoins San Antonio, Texas, and was in command of the southern department with the rank of major-general. Naturally, Senator Warren's telegram suggested that I was to be assigned to some duty in France, but as no intimation had been given out regarding the extent of our active participation in the war, the message was somewhat puzzling.

However, I telegraphed the following reply:

"Spent several months in France nineteen-eight studying language. Spoke quite fluently; could read and write very well at that time. Can easily reacquire satisfactory working knowledge."

Quoted Warren's Letter.

My reply, to be sure, was rather optimistic, yet it was comparatively accurate and perhaps was justified by the possibilities to be inferred from Senator Warren's telegram. A few days later I received from him the following letter:

"Dear Jack:

"This is what happened: Last night, about ten o'clock, the secretary of war rang me

up and wanted to know if I would call in and see him this morning, and I responded that I would if I could reach him at nine o'clock. This is the first time he has ever asked me to call for a consultation.

"When I reached him he said in the most distant and careless way: 'Oh, by the way, before I discuss the matter about which I asked you to call--do you happen to know whether Pershing speaks French?' (This is the first time your name was ever mentioned between the secretary of war and me, direct.)

"I said I was not certain about that; that I knew he was a linguist along the lines of Spanish and, to some extent, Japanese, and all of the Philippine dialects (a pardonable exaggeration by one's father-in-law)--that perhaps my wife might know, as she speaks French a little and reads it readily:

"He said: 'Well, it is of no special consequence, only I happened to think of it at this moment.' I replied: 'Well, I'll ask my wife about it today and see whether she knows, and will let you know.' He then said: 'If you don't mind, do so.'

"And then he proceeded to discuss quite fully some appropriation matters on which I intended to go to work upon my arrival at the Capitol.

"I hope you will wire me promptly upon receipt of my telegram so that I may tell the secretary what my wife said about it (7).

"Affectionately,
"F. E. WARREN."

Message Promises Command.

Shortly after the receipt of the private wire and before the above letter reached me, a telegram dated May 2, came from Maj. Gen. Hugh L. Scott, chief of staff, containing the opening words, "For your eyes alone," followed by a message in code:

"Under plans under consideration is one which will require among other troops four infantry regiments and one artillery regiment from your department for service in France. If plans are carried out you will be in command. You will be in command of the entire force. Wire me at once designation of the regiments selected by you and their present stations."

I construed this message to mean that these troops were to form a division, which, together with such other troops as might be sent over at once, would be under my command.

Within a day or so after the receipt of Scott's telegram it was intimated to Col. M. H. Barnum, my chief of staff, that we might be called upon for a recommendation, and after consultation with him I selected the Sixteenth, Eighteenth, Twenty-sixth and Twenty-eighth regiments of Infantry and the Sixth field artillery. These, together with two other artillery regiments and the necessary auxiliary units, were later organized as our first division.

Surprised by Developments.

I had scarcely given a thought to the possibility of my being selected to be in supreme command of our forces abroad, as afterward developed, although my old friend, Maj. Gen. J. Franklin Bell, had written me that he thought my selection almost certain. After I left the Philippines, in 1913, where he was in command, he and I had kept up an intermittent correspondence in which we freely exchanged confidence on army matters.

In one of his letters early in April, 1917, General Bell spoke of the possibility of our sending an

army to France and gave a list of the general officers who might be considered for the supreme command. Discussing the chances for and against each one, he predicted, much to my surprise, that all the others, including himself, would be passed over and that I would be selected.

I was the junior on the list of major generals, hence I could not fully accept General Bell's view, but he was so strongly convinced that he was right that he requested an assignment under my command.

The major general senior to me at the time were, in order of rank: Leonard Wood, General Bell, Thomas H. Barry, Hugh L. Scott and Tasker H. Bliss.

CHAPTER II

I arrived in Washington May 9 and the next morning called at the office of the chief of staff, Maj. Gen. Hugh L. Scott. He spoke of my assignment, which, as had been my impression from his message of May 2, was to command a division, and told me that it had been made upon his recommendation.

General Scott outlined the general plans in so far as anything definite had been determined. Beginning with February 3, the war college division of the general staff presented a number of recommendations for action in the event of war with the central powers. One was for the enactment of a draft law and others referred to the size of the army to be organized and the necessity for the procurement of equipment and supplies.

Chagrined by Unpreparedness.

March 18, acting under instructions of the chief of staff, the war college division submitted a more detailed scheme for raising an army of 500,000 men. But these were all eleventh-hour suggestions and no definite action was taken on any of them until May 18, when congress passed the law authorizing the increase of military establishments through the application of the draft.

I was really more chagrined than astonished to realize that so little had been done when there were so many things that might have been done long before. It had been apparent to everybody for months that we were likely to be forced into the war and a state of war had actually existed for several weeks, yet scarcely a start had been made to prepare for it.

But the truth is that the general staff at Washington had never been organized along modern lines, its membership had been recently reduced by congress, and but few of its officers had the experience necessary fully to understand its functions. In this fact we no doubt find the basis of many of the difficulties that arose later in connection with the preparation of our army at home and its shipment and supply abroad.

Praise for Secretary Baker.

My next call was upon the secretary of war, Mr. Newton D. Baker. It was a much younger and considerably smaller man who greeted me than I had expected. He actually looked diminutive as he sat behind his desk, doubled up in a rather large office chair, but when he spoke my impression changed immediately. We talked of my recent experience in Mexico and of



Secretary of War Newton D. Baker

conditions on the border, which, fortunately, were quieter than they had been for several years.

Mr. Baker referred to my appointment and said that he had given the subject very careful thought and had made the choice solely upon my record. I expressed my deep appreciation of the honor, mentioned the responsibility of the position and said that I hoped he would have no reason to regret his action.

I left Mr. Baker's office with a distinctly favorable impression of the man upon whom, as head of the War department, would rest the burden of preparing for a great war to which the wholly unready nation was now committed.

Still proceeding under the assumption that I was to command a division in France, my feelings may well be imagined when a few days later, the secretary of war called me in to say that it had been decided by the President to send me abroad as commander in chief, and that I should select my staff accordingly and prepare to sail as soon as possible.

The thought of the responsibilities that this high position carried depressed me for the moment. Here in the face of a great war I had been placed in command of a theoretical army which had yet to be constituted, equipped, trained and sent abroad. Still, there was no doubt in my mind then or at any other time of my ability to do the job, provided the government would furnish men, equipment and supplies.

Harbord Chief of Staff.

Obviously it was advisable to choose my chief of staff as soon as practicable. After studying the records of several officers of my acquaintance and of others who were recommended for the position, I chose Maj. James G. Harbord. His efficiency in every grade from the day of his enlistment as a private in the army in January, 1880, was not only of record but was well known to those with whom he had served.

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to go under you in any capacity down to and including a sergeant; but at my age, and condition, I suppose that I could not do work you would consider worth while in the fighting line (my only line) in a lower grade than brigade commander."

CHAPTER III

Our deplorable situation as to munitions was fully discussed at a conference called by Secretary of War Baker May 10. It was brought out that we had for issue, not in the hands of troops, fewer than 285,000 Springfield rifles, caliber .30; only a few more than 400 light field guns, three-inch, and 150 heavy field guns.

As it was impossible because of manufacturing difficulties for our factories to turn out enough Springfield rifles within a reasonable time, the secretary decided to adopt the Enfield rifle for our infantry. It was then being manufactured for the British in large quantities at private factories in our country, and a slight modification of the chamber only was necessary to make it fit our ammunition. The total production of this rifle exceeded 2,000,000 during the war.

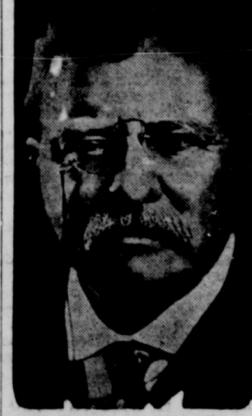
As to machine guns, it was reported to the conference that we had a few less than 1,500, and these were of four types. Congress in 1916 had appropriated \$12,000,000 for machine guns, but

the War department had not decided definitely to adopt any particular one for our army, although an order had been placed late in 1916 for a quantity of the heavy Vickers-Maxims.

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English Like Pantomimes

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In 1875, when on another polar expedition in the Alert, Nares "re-opened the Royal Arctic theater" after it had been closed for 25 years, and pantomime was again the favorite pastime of all concerned.

With the exception of five or six officers, none of them could have met the requirements of modern battle conditions and none had any technical experience with aircraft guns, bombs or bombing devices.

We had some fifty-five training planes in various conditions of usefulness, all entirely without war equipment. Of these planes it is amusing now to recall that the national advisory committee for aeronautics, which had been conducting an alleged scientific study of the problem of flight, advised that fifty-one were obsolete and four others obsolescent.

We could not have put a single squadron in the field, although it was estimated that we should eventually need at least 300 squadrons, each to be composed on the average of some 24 officers, 180 men and 15 planes, besides a large reserve of planes for replacements.

More Camps Needed.

Among other subjects considered with the secretary was the assembly for training of the National Guard and the men to come in under the draft.

In lieu of any previous plans, the secretary contemplated the construction of cantonments in different parts of the country, and May 7 the commanding generals of the several departments were directed to select sites.

The actual construction of cantonments was not begun until nearly three months after we were in the war, and so great was the task of erecting buildings and putting in water works and sewers that some ninety days more elapsed by the time these centers of instruction were ready to receive troops.

Rivalry for Our Troops

About this time the allies brought up the question of utilizing our men to build up their armies. As we shall see, the subject arose from time to time in one form or another, and we had to fight against it until the end of the war.

Both the French and British missions, under M. Rene Viviani and Arthur G. Balfour, respectively, then in our country, were very keen to have us consent to fill up the ranks of their armies with Americans.

I was decidedly against our becoming a recruiting agency for either the French or British, and at that time this was the attitude of the War department also. While fully realizing the difficulties, it was definitely understood between the secretary of war and me that we should proceed to organize our own units from top to bottom and build a distinctive army of our own as rapidly as possible.

The evident rivalry between the British and French for control and use of our forces, even before we had an army in the field, confirmed my impression that those two governments were not working entirely in harmony. As to their armies, it had been apparent for some time that there was a lack of co-operation between them. Their efforts were often separate and distinct--that is, first one and then the other would attack.

Although it was not generally known that I was to go abroad, there was a flood of applications to accompany me. One of them was a personal appeal for service in any capacity by my old friend, Robert Bacon, who had been ambassador to France. He had already given valuable aid to the allied cause, and because of his intimate knowledge of the French people and his tact and discretion I was glad to have him.

A few days before my departure, while at lunch at the Metropolitan club with Charles E. Magoon, governor of Cuba, Charles G. Daves joined us. The three of us had been friends in the days when we were together at Lincoln, Neb., Magoon and Daves as young lawyers, the latter with a decided talent for business, and I as military instructor at the state university.

Daves was an applicant for a commission in one of the engineer regiments then being organized under the direction of Samuel Felton, from volunteers with experience in railroading, and wanted me to help him get the appointment. I asked him whether he knew anything about engineering, and he said that when a youth he had carried a chain a month or so for a surveyor in Ohio.

I was not much impressed with his pretensions as an engineer or as a prospective military possibility, but I did have knowledge of his business ability and experience, and knew that he would be valuable in some position requiring his qualifications, so I spoke to the secretary of war in his behalf.

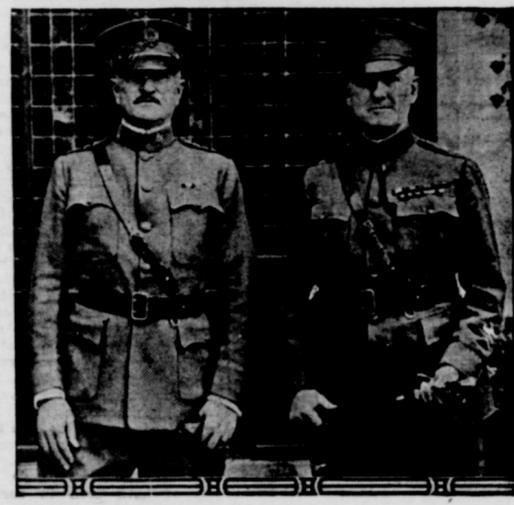
Requests from National Guard officers and from governors for the early acceptance of their state units literally poured into the War department. The clamor became so general and so insistent that the secretary of war happily conceived the idea of forming a composite division to include troops from every state in the Union. I thought the suggestion a good one and gave it my hearty indorsement. This was the origin of the Forty-second (Rainbow) division, which was later to distinguish itself in several engagements.

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DEXTER ITEMS

(Continued from first page) first thing to come before the house will be the election of officers: The program for the day is as follows: Invocation—Mrs. Geo. Wilcox. P. T. A. Song—Assembly. Piano Solo—Miss Meadows. Pep Dance—Leoto Smith and Leonz Valconey. Dialogue, "Stage Struck"—Ruth Gean Smith and Melba O'Neal. Vocal Solo—Mrs. Owens, Miss Meadows, accompanist. Reading, "Motoring in the Nineties."—Marion Sanders. Talk, "Pre-School Clinic"—Mrs. W. R. Eccles. Piano Solo—W. E. Taylor. Reading, "In Granny's Time"—Patricia Mitchell. Covered dish luncheon at noon, every lady is asked to bring one covered dish for the luncheon. Mesdames M. Y. Monical, Ruth Andrews, L. Martin, and H. C. Harrison will be in charge of the luncheon hour. This promises to be a most entertaining and enjoyable program. The public is cordially invited to attend.

MISS MIELENZ HONORED

Miss Gretchen Mielenz, a former Dexter girl, has been chosen Valedictorian at the New Mexico A. & M. College for the year 1930-31. Miss Mielenz will receive her bachelor of arts degree from the State College this June, and also will receive the scholarship medal presented to the senior who makes the highest average during four years in college. She is president of Beta Tau Alpha sorority and a member of Phi Mu Tau, honorary organization of the school of general science. Miss Mielenz has a host of friends in this vicinity, who are happy to receive this good news, and who are looking forward with much pleasure to a visit with Miss Gretchen and Miss Mable Mielenz this June.

STATE ENCAMPMENT OF SPANISH AMERICAN WAR VETERANS 21st

The Spanish American war veterans will have a state encampment at Roswell April 21st, at which time a woman's auxiliary of the Pecos valley will be formed. At two o'clock there will be a parade, led by the N. M. M. I. Following the parade, there will be a business meeting held at the court house. The principal speaker will be Col. Reynolds of Albuquerque, who is the state commander. A banquet will be served at 7:00 p. m., at the Women's club building. All veterans and wives are most cordially invited to attend. Don't forget the date—April 21st.

J. W. Sharp returned Sunday afternoon from Albuquerque, where he had been for a short visit with Mrs. Sharp and daughters. Miss Gayle Sharp came home with her father, and will remain in Dexter. Gayle has been ill for sometime, not being able to attend the university any the semester. We are glad to know, she is much better, and expects to enter school again this fall.

The chapel program at school on

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Easter was plumb ruint for the Whole Lonesome Luke family. Nobody seemed to notice Luke's new Easter togs. It does seem that at least one person should have remarked about his fresh pair of shoe-strings. Then Luke's baby had a stylish pair of pink rubber britches, but a hard hearted world passed serenely by without so much as a glance of envy. Also Luke's frau strutted her stuff with a freshly purchased handkerchief in her poc—her shirt—oh, heck, what's the use? Well, that's the way with life.

For the information of the readers of The Messenger: If you should happen to run across a round piece of metal weighing one ounce, having corrugated edges, to keep it from slipping thru your fingers, with an eagle on the back holding an olive branch in its claws on a rock labeled "Peace" and a flapper on the front with swords in her hair and a star on her neck, who trusts in God and has a halo of liberty over her brow, and the date of her birth under what would be her Adam's apple if she were a man, etc., etc. Look at it good. It's a dollar—if it's made out of silver. Bring it around to The Messenger office if you owe us anything, and if you don't, bring it around to the editor anyway, so he may take a good look at it. We have given the above description from two photographs of a dollar which have been in our family for fifty years—you understand, of course, that the photos have been in our family, not the dollar.

Ops. Note—The Parson, shore was afraid somebody'd take the Scotch meanin' to that thar remark, 'bout the dollar bein' in his family fifty years. Nope the parson ain't Scotch.

TEN YEARS PROHIBITION AUDITED BY WOMEN'S NATIONAL COMMITTEE

BALTIMORE Maryland—Ten years of prohibition were audited Tuesday by the Women's National Committee for law enforcement and profits found greater than losses.

A balance sheet covering 1920 to 1930 was submitted by the organization to answer dry law foes who have based their attack on what they saw as decreased income to the government and similar economic declines. The audit, prepared from numerous official sources, was discussed by Mrs. Arthur Herstrom of Buffalo, New York, before a gathering of Baltimore clubwomen. Mrs. Henry W. Peabody of Orlando, Florida, chairman of the committee, said in Washington that the "profit and loss account" was prepared "to remove the impression that the eighteenth amendment had decreased in any way the income to the government."

In its recapitulation, the study quoted the Wickersham commission report to show a total gain of "increased production, increased efficiency of labor, the elimination of blue Mondays, decrease in industrial accidents, increase in savings, and decreased in demands on charities and social agencies."

The accounting, which was headed "People of the United States in account with Prohibition, Inc.," showed losses as:

One hundred and seventy thousand saloons, \$363,000,000 in federal income taxes on \$1,817,000,000 worth of liquor, 54 per cent decrease of liquor formerly drunk, 38 out of 60 "Keeley" cures and 60 out of 60 "Neal" cures closed, 10 to 60 per cent reduction in juvenile court cases, 54 per cent drop in number of children cared for by welfare associations, 50 per cent decrease in arrests for prostitution and 11 per cent drop in number of 18 to 20 year old boys sent to penal institutions.

Listed as gains were: Two billion dollars in federal income taxes, \$779,000 in automobile and gasoline taxes, 350,000 gasoline stations and 3,615 branch banks, 28 per cent increase in milk consumption, 30,000,000 new savings bank depositors, \$68,000,000,000 more life insurance holdings, \$400,000 new homes a year since 1921, 47 per cent more hotels, average wage increase of 25 per cent; 150 per cent rise in high school students, 30 per cent reduction in infant mortality, 300 per cent increase in college students.

"There's mother's ashes in the jar on the mantelpiece." "So your mother is with the angels?" "No, sir. She's just too lazy to look for an ash tray."

U. S. CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS HOLDS U. S. CAN RESERVE OIL-GAS

According to the Roswell Record of Monday the United States Circuit Court of Appeals of the Tenth Circuit Court on March 30, 1931, affirmed the decision of the District Court of New Mexico, in the case of Skeen vs. The Texas Company and others.

This case is of vital importance to the owners of oil and gas permits on homesteads wherein the patent reserves the minerals to the United States. Some three hundred homesteads in Lea county, alone, are affected by the decision.

The case was instituted in the District Court of the United States for the District of New Mexico, by Ivan L. Skeen vs. Beulah V. Lynch, and others. Production was encountered by the Texas Production Company on the oil and gas permit of Beulah V. Lynch, located in what is now known as the Texas-Lynch Pool at Lea, New Mexico. The plaintiff, Skeen, is the owner of a patent covering the permit which reserves to the United States "all the coal and other minerals." The plaintiff was represented by Tom W. Neal, of Lovington, and the defendant by Hervey, Dow, Hill and Hinkle, Edward M. Freeman, Emmett Patton and G. U. McCrary. The plaintiff claimed that the reservation to the United States did not include water and oil and gas. The Circuit Court of Appeals held that the United States was an indispensable party to the suit, and that the reservation in the patent reserved all minerals including oil and gas to the United States and further held that the plaintiff under the circumstances had no preference right to an oil and gas permit on his patented land.

ALBERT B. FALL IS SENTENCED TO ONE YEAR IN PENITENTIARY

WASHINGTON, D. C.—A sentence of one year in jail and a \$100,000 fine against Albert B. Fall former interior secretary, was affirmed Monday by the District of Columbia court of appeals.

At the same time the court upheld the decision of a lower court under which Harry M. Blackmer was fined \$60,000 for contempt of court in refusing to return from France, to appear as a witness in the oil trials of Harry F. Sinclair and Fall.

Fall was convicted of accepting a bribe from Edward L. Doheny for a lease granted Doheny on the Elk Hills Naval Oil Reserves while Fall was secretary of the interior.

At the conclusion of a lengthy decision in which he quoted liberally from arguments in the lower court case, Associate Justice Josiah A. Vanorsdel of the court of appeals, said simply:

"The judgment is affirmed." Mr. Fall went to his ranch near Three Rivers this state, several days ago and could not be reached for an interview, press dispatches stated.

CUNNINGHAM FORGIVEN

C. R. Cunningham of Artesia, who was made foreman of the federal grand jury at Santa Fe and discharged Monday by Judge Neblett after it was alleged that he appeared in the court room under the influence of liquor, has been forgiven. Judge Neblett ordered Mr. Cunningham to appear before the court Tuesday, but the latter was too ill to appear. Yesterday he was forgiven by Judge Neblett after receiving a prepayment.

CUTS FOOT

Aud Saunders, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Day of Queen, happened to the misfortune of cutting his foot, while chopping down a tree Sunday. The ax made a deep wound and necessitated several stitches. The young man was brought here for medical treatment and was resting well at the last report.

ARBOR DAY

Friday, April 17th, has been proclaimed Arbor Day by Governor Seligman. The governor calls upon parents and school teachers to instill into the minds of the children that the trees are our friends.

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PRELIMINARIES FOR OIL MEET STARTED AT NATIONAL CAPITOL

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The task of setting up a league of oil states to control production and restore the demoralized petroleum industry was tackled at Washington Tuesday by the oil states advisory committee.

The chairman Cicero Murray of Oklahoma engaged in a series of informal conferences with officials, among them Secretary Wilbur, who is chairman of the federal oil conservation board, preliminary to the executive session at which during Tuesday and Wednesday his group completed the proposal for a compact between the ten principal producing states.

As he outlined the project Monday Murray's committee would advise the states as to how much oil each should produce, would advise the oil companies of the fair price they should pay for crude oil in the various fields and also would recommend gasoline prices.

He was confident, he said, the project was thoroughly constitutional and in no way conflicted with anti-

trust laws. Tuesday the plan laid in open hearings before federal oil conservation board. Ray's group wants the board's approval as a sort of sanction from federal government, to proceed indicated.

The compact, said the chairman would go into effect immediately the representatives of the ten states, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Texas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas and Wyoming ready are in accord. Ratification by congress however, will be required for the formal maintenance of such a compact.

At the conservation board meeting there was presented the survey at the request of Secretary Wilbur of the needs of the oil industry for the next six months and an analysis of the state legislation bearing adopted by the ten states.

DAUGHTER BORN

A baby daughter was born Tuesday to Mr. and Mrs. A. Wilhelm. Mother and babe doing nicely.

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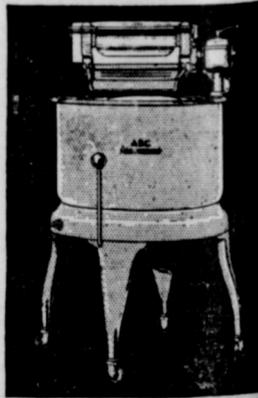
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