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SLICK SALESMAN GOLD-BRICKS BUSINESS MEN OF TEXAS-NEW MEXICO

Do you need a refrigerator? Would you buy for half price and advance one half of the freight charges to the salesman? A rumor has reached this office that a slick salesman claiming to represent a Chicago refrigerator concern is working a slick game on the business men of West Texas and Eastern New Mexico. His spiel is, that he has sold an expensive refrigerator to a merchant who has paid half down on it, and he is having to take it back. He proposes to sell it for half price, the buyer to pay the freight charges. He usually succeeds in collecting half of the freight from the would be buyer. So far as we can learn, he has sold this refrigerator twice—once in Canyon City and once in Portales—but it has failed to arrive in either place.

TEST OF MOONSHINE REVEALS POISON IN DANGEROUS AMOUNTS

ROSWELL, Jan. 9.—A large amount of the home made booze sold in Chavis county contains enough poison to cause death or permanent blindness. This is the conclusion reached by Dr. Don W. Gudakunst, county health officer, who has examined a number of bottles of "white mule" at the instance of county and federal officers. The booze examined contains an average of 46 per cent alcohol, a considerable quantity of fusil oil, a deadly poison, burned sugar, syrup and water. So far as is known these are the first tests made of moonshine whiskey which is supposed to have been made locally.

THE NAZARENE REVIVAL

The Nazarene revival at the band hall continues to draw good crowds both morning and night. Last Sunday night the hall was packed to full capacity, and Evangelist Davis delivered an excellent address. Monday night a capacity audience heard the evangelist on "The Lid Off on Modern Amusement," and he handled the subject without gloves. Good audiences are in attendance at each service and the special song service conducted by Mrs. Davis are greatly appreciated by the congregation. These services are still in progress and the public will do well to attend.

RAINS ALL OVER PLAINS BREAKS LONG DRY SPELL

Amarillo's drought of the past five months was broken yesterday afternoon when a slow rain began falling, totalling 27 inch at 7 o'clock last night, according to reports at the weather bureau. As the rain ceased falling shortly thereafter, it is not believed that the total precipitation is much heavier than the figures recorded at 7 o'clock. Preceding the rain there was a slight hail storm, but so far as could be learned it did not do any damage. Reports from the Santa Fe railway last night were that one-eighth to one-fourth of an inch of rain were recorded at the various stations, being general over the Panhandle. The heaviest fall of one-fourth inch was from Muleshoe. The Fort Worth and Denver reported rainfall about the same as that in Amarillo from Hartley to Childress. The rain fell from 4 to 7:35 p. m. Although the rainfall was not near so heavy as is desired here, many local persons declare that it will be greatly beneficial to crops.—Amarillo Daily News of Jan. 10.

BOOZE HAS SOME BURNING QUALITIES

MEXIA, Texas, Jan. 10.—Chief of police Sam Allen was painfully burned on the hands and feet when a prisoner whom he was taking to the Federal authorities at Waco, pulled the cork from a jug of illicit liquor being taken along as evidence and attempted to pour it out. In stopping him, Chief Allen spilled some of the powerful liquor on his hands and into his shoe.

HUGHES TAKES TOKUGAWA TO THE STATION

Washington, D. C., Jan. 7.—Prince Tokugawa, one of the Japanese arms conference delegates, left Washington today for San Francisco, where he will embark January 13 on the steamer Korea Maru for Japan. A large company assembled at the Union Station to bid farewell to the distinguished Japanese delegate. Secretary Hughes, who was among the first to arrive, escorted the prince to the train.

DEMOCRATIC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO MEET

To the Precinct Chairman, Roosevelt County, New Mexico. The County Democratic Executive committee is hereby called to meet at Portales on Saturday, January 21, 1922, at 11 o'clock a. m., to make arrangements for a primary and set the date therefor and to transact such other business as may come before the committee. No proxy will be recognized from anyone not residing in the precinct from which such proxy may be offered. It is very urgent that every committeeman be present either in person or by proxy. J. A. FAIRLY, County Chairman.

NEW \$20,000 PAVING JOB IN LAS CRUCES WILL START SOON

LAS CRUCES, Jan. 9.—Capt. Charles Hill, chairman of the street committee of the town board of trustees, announces that work on a \$20,000 paving contract will begin about the middle of February, or as soon as the work now in process, costing \$40,000, is completed. The second part of the program calls for the paving of eight blocks in Church street and three blocks in North Main street and the five intersection blocks. The plan is to make Church street second in importance to Main street. The paving will be 20 feet in width. This strip to be paved is already provided with sidewalks. North Main street is to be paved the full 60 feet, and the paving of the intersecting blocks will be made to conform with the general plan.

ARBUCKLE CASE CALLED MONDAY

San Francisco, Calif., Jan. 7.—Roscoe C. ("Fatty") Ar buckle accompanied by his wife, arrived from Los Angeles today to go on trial for a second time on a charge of manslaughter in connection with the death of Virginia Rapp, motion picture actress. The Ar buckle case will be called in the trial court Monday but will not actually begin until Tuesday or Wednesday.

Orphan's Home Now Will Ride in New Car

Monday of this week the car for the New Mexico Baptist Orphan's Home was purchased and is now in the Universal Garage while quarters are being prepared at the home for the care of same. This car is a Ford touring car, fully equipped with self starter, demountable rims, extra rim and tire carrier, bundle carrier—in fact it is as complete as a car can be made. Several weeks ago the Portales Valley News suggested that the friends of the Home buy a car for the use of the home by popular subscription. This met the favor of a number of local people as well as some in other parts of the state. Funds subscribed have been turned over to the Universal in payment on this car, and all subscriptions are being put on the car as fast as received. The list is still open and any one who wishes to contribute to this fund may do so either at this office or

BARTON BURNS 165 GALLONS OF WHISKEY AS SPECTATORS WEEP

AUSTIN, Jan. 10.—Adjutant General Thomas D. Barton, who is at Mexia, today wired Assistant Adjutant General Charles M. Crawford that he and Assistant Attorney C. L. Stone would reach Austin Wednesday. General Barton added in his wire: "Business is good. We burned 165 gallons of whiskey yesterday while the spectators shed tears."

NINE YEAR-OLD BOY STEALS FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS.

Mason City, Iowa, Jan. 7.—A search throughout the contents of the waste paper bales at the postoffice today revealed \$25,000 in checks to add to the \$7,000, the theft of which Cecil Jensen, 9-year-old son of Albert J. Jensen, confessed later yesterday. Confronted with the additional checks the boy admitted to stealing them from boxes at the postoffice and discarding them in the lobby waste paper basket, according to the police.

TWO YOUTHS CHARGED WITH THEFT OF BOOTS

On Saturday night Jim Meiner and Ike Tow were arrested charged with the theft of a pair of boots from Ernest Dunnon at wagon yard on Friday night.

LOCAL MARKETS

Eggs	20c and 27½c
Cream	20c
Chickens	12c
Furs—No. 1 Wolf	\$5.00
No. 1 Skunk	1.25
Kaffir and mixed Grain	.60c
Milo	.65c
Corn	.78c
Hand shelled and winded	.80c

TURNING NEW MEXICO GRAIN INTO GOLD

Priddy and Hatch are feeding out 100 head of hogs and 100 head of yearling steers on Mr. Priddy's place in the edge of town. In the past thirty days these steers have made an average gain of 100 pounds each. One coming two weighs 900 pounds. They have these on full feed and are running hogs after them, and are also feeding the hogs separate. This is as fine a bunch of yearlings as we have seen, and after 120 days in the feed lot they will make a high class of baby beef.

5-POWER TREATY HOLDS TILL 1937: GUN CALIBRE CUT

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WEDNESDAY NIGHT COLDEST OF SEASON

The coldest night of the season was Wednesday, when the mercury dropped to zero. Thursday morning many frozen flowers were being discarded and the plumber was wearing a snipe.

BAPTISTS NOW HAVE NEW ASSISTANT PASTOR

The Portales Baptist church now has a new assistant pastor, who arrived at the home of Rev. and Mrs. J. F. Nix this morning.

FAIRFIELD WOULD VOTE HIGH SCHOOL BONDS

A mass meeting was held at Fairfield last Friday afternoon for the purpose of discussing the advisability of voting bonds for the purpose of erecting a new high school building at Fairfield.

HOW AN AUTO DRIVER MAY BECOME A "GOOD MIXER"

M. Avalos, warehouse foreman, Merced, Calif., sends the following paragraph from a Merced paper: "Railroad crossings are places where automobile drivers turn around and visit with the people on the back seat. They frequently become good mixers by this process. Sometimes it is hard to distinguish one from another after the train has gone by. The driver is always easy to pick out. He is the one with his face turned away from the railroad track."—The Bulletin.

THE DEADLY EXHAUST.

A boy of nineteen, Reginald Murray, of Brooklyn, was found dead at the steering wheel of his father's automobile in the garage. Like many others he had been killed by breathing air poisoned by carbon monoxide fumes from the exhaust of the engine. Fumes of the exhaust in a closed garage will kill a person in three or four minutes, physicians say. Doors of the garage should always be kept open while the engine is running.—Current Topics

HAVEN'T NOTICED IT YET.

The earth's day is growing longer, according to Dr. Earnest W. Brown of Yale University. He told the convention of the American Astronomical Society last week that tidal friction, caused by the moon's attraction, is slowing down the earth's speed. This causes our days to grow longer, Dr. Brown calculates, at the rate of about one second every thousand years!—Ex.

Mrs. S. B. Owens received a wireless from Little Rock, Ark., Tuesday, wishing her a happy New Year. The message was sent by wireless to Amarillo and from there forwarded by mail.

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HORSE AND SADDLE MISSING FROM HITCH RACK

Sunday night a horse and saddle made its escape from the hitch rack in Portales, and the sheriff's office have been on the lookout for it since. The horse belonged to Mr. Mask north of Portales. Whether the horse was stolen or strayed has not been fully determined. Monday the horse and saddle was found near the sewerage pumping plant, and later the horse was found in the wagon yard, showing signs of having been hard ridden.

WOMAN CLAIMS TO HAVE BEEN HELD-UP AND ROBBED

Sunday night a woman complained that she had been held up and robbed by three boys near the depot. She says the highwaymen accosted her, snatched her purse and made their escape in an automobile. It was decided that it was a frame-up and the woman had not been robbed. She would have been placed in jail, but owing to her baby, was advised to leave town, and has acted on the advice.

PLEASANT VALLEY VAPORIZINGS

Ernest O'Neal from Clovis visited our school last Monday. We were glad to have him with us once more. He will return to Clovis soon.

C. B. Erwin, who has been in the Elida school, has started to our school, since his folks have moved to the place vacated by Mr. Locker, who has moved to the cement house on the Gower farm near Elida.

On account of so much sickness in the community, our literary had to be postponed for another two weeks. Some of the characters in the play were unable to attend. We will try to have a real interesting program.

Haswell McCorey, who has been very low with pneumonia, has been improving the past week and we hope soon to be able to report him back in school.

Miss Mildred McDorman has been real sick since last Thursday, but is better at this writing, and we hope soon to have her back in school.

At present there are six children out of school on account of serious sickness. They are: Haswell McCorey, Mildred McDorman, Walter O'Neal, Alys Jones and J. W. Lee.

Miss Ethel Butler visited Miss Magnolia Ward last Sunday.

Our Sunday school is still holding on in spite of sickness. We met last Sunday and elected officers and teachers for the coming quarter.

We are glad to have T. R. Butler back with us again.

RICHLAND REVIEW

The Richland basket ball team played the Hollene team at Clovis last Saturday night. The Richland boys having a night of bad luck, were defeated. We will play Ft. Sumner on the Portales court next Friday night, January 13th.

Last Saturday, January 7th, the Richland basket ball team and a few people from Richland went to Clovis to play ball. After the game we went to Mrs. Copeland's where we were entertained with music and dancing, etc. Everyone present reported a fine time.

Our fine consolidated school is progressing nicely with an enrollment of 151. Dee Partin being enrolled Monday.

Truman Short, Georgie Stigall and other have been absent the past week on account of sickness, but we hope they will be able to return soon.

A nice crowd was present at Sunday school Sunday morning, singing Sunday evening and preaching Sunday night by Rev. Blair. We had several visitors from Milnesand and we hope they will come again.

Mr. Joe Cooper and Miss Allie Cooper spent Sunday evening at Mrs. I. B. Rice's.

Mr. and Mrs. Preston Williams, Mr. Slaten and family of this community, shared the fine dinner given by Mrs. H. W. Davidson of Portales last Saturday. All report a nice time.

Mrs. A. M. Carroll is in very poor health at this writing but we hope she will recover soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Add Hobbs left for Hobbs, New Mexico, last Friday to visit with some of their relatives.

Dr. E. J. Hay spent Saturday night and Sunday with J. W. Stigall.

Rev. J. W. Partin preached at Milnesand Sunday.

Mr. Walter Clifton has begun to work for Mr. John Kidd.

Mr. Eugene Butts spent Saturday night at A. B. Cares.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Reed spent Sunday and Sunday night at Allie, N. M., and will leave for Oklahoma Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edd Carroll who have been visiting with Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Carroll, his parents, returned home Sunday.

Last Sunday a large crowd gathered at the home of J. W. Stigall to enjoy the hospitality and big dinner always so unseparably linked together at this home. Those present were: Mr. Rightmer and family, Mr. Beeman and family, Mr. Schwartz and family, Dr. Hay, Miss Watson, Miss Burgo, Mr. Servis, Mr. Butts, Mr. and Mrs. Williams, Mr. Watson and Mr. and Mrs. Young. Others were invited but could not come on account of sickness.

As Mr. Butts, Mr. Servis and a remnant of the basket ball team were returning from Clovis in the

small hours of the night, in a bulky Ford. Presto! the world changed and lo and behold, they were walking down the highway.

We wonder— Why Saturday was so pleasant for Donald. Why Lester spent Sunday in Portales!

ROGERS RUMBLINGS

Our school is still progressing nicely.

Ben Duke, and the Misses Marguerite Phillips, Ruth Wilson and Gussie Escue spent Sunday at the Blair home. All reported a nice time.

The party given at the Escue home last Saturday night was well attended and enjoyed by all present.

Miss Ruth Wilson spent last Friday night with Miss Gussie Escue.

The Greathouse thresher is in the Rogers community this week. Several of the young folks of this place attended singing at Inez last Sunday night. All reported a nice crowd being present.

Mrs. J. T. Smith is on the sick list at this writing.

There will be preaching at this place next Sunday morning, and everyone is invited to come.

Mr. and Mrs. Duke spent Sunday with their daughter, Mrs. D. G. Horne and family.

The little shower that fell Monday evening was surely enjoyed, but wish it had been more than just a shower.

There will be singing here next Sunday afternoon. Everyone invited to come and join in the singing.

CAUSEY ITEMS

There seems to be an epidemic of colds in our community.

Mr. Hutsborn and son, also Mr. McCormick of Hollene, N. M., were weekend visitors in the Wagner home.

Lewis Little and family have moved to Portales. We regret to lose such splendid family from our community.

Mr. Stratton of Texas is moving to the Wells place, which he recently purchased.

Rev. J. D. Wagner preached an interesting sermon to a full house Sunday night.

The young people enjoyed the party at Mr. Balston's Saturday evening.

Mrs. J. W. Stone is on the sick list.

Mr. Parks of Texas, is moving his family to the Lewis Little place.

Rev. J. D. Wagner, who has been visiting home folks the past ten days, returned to his work on the Hollene circuit. He was accompanied by Mrs. Wagner and Amos, who will visit a few days.

Mrs. G. W. Fuller is visiting relatives near Clovis.

The Causey Singing class was organized Sunday night, and officers elected.

Honor Roll of School 1st Grade.—William Traugber, Maxine Trammel, Johnnie Stroud, Otto Cox, Beatrice Caviness.

2nd Grade.—Fred Judah, Alonzo Stone.

3rd Grade.—Ocie Little, Fay Little, Lucie Stroud, Benjamin Fuller, Olen Caviness.

4th Grade.—Rufus Stroud, Bob Stone, Herbert Little.

5th Grade.—Lola Taylor, Chas. Little, Annie May Judah.

The News—\$1.50 a year.

Let it Hail on our Roofs, they are Hail proof. A. A. HOSKINS experienced roofer, says paint won't stop the leaks, get a sand cushion. See W. F. LAYNE for Prices—They are Right.

KENTUCKY VALLEY ITEMS

Grandma Page is no better, still confined to her bed.

Mrs. J. H. Hendrix is on the sick list this week.

Franklin Davis' seat is vacant on account of him being sick.

Clifton Suffy has been at home for the past three days—account of a cold.

Lois Eoff has an aggravating case of tonsillitis.

William Warren Scott is seriously ill of croup.

C. S. Toler spent last week in Portales, attending commissioners court. He has the people's wishes at heart. Our community sincerely hopes his efforts to reduce taxes will avail something. Never before have the farmers seemed to need this as much as now.

Yevtte Stephens and Louise Beard were visitors of Iva Paxton last Thursday night.

Wonder why Aubrey Fleming was in such a hurry to get his car repaired!

Last Sunday in the Wilmes home, Mr. Chas. Myers and family, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Hoskins, Mr. John Myers and Miss Beulah Fleming, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Toler and family partook of a sumptuous dinner given them by Miss Lena Wilmes and father.

Last Wednesday our thoughtful trustees sent the school word that the teachers may take the pupils in the truck to Elida to witness the ascension of the airplane. Could the pupils study! No! Messrs. Beard, Paxton and McClister met us on the road and went to town with us.

When we reached there we found other schools doing what we did. We don't feel just exactly like we had gone to a circus—ew feel just like those trustees knew they were giving us a pleasure and benefit too.

Homer Lauderback returned home last Thursday. He left his wife and ten day old daughter at LaLande to follow him later.

LOVE Christian church, Sunday morning. It-c Advertisement

U.B. Thrifty says



Don't mistake conversation for information

With a sincerity much deeper than "mere conversation" we wish customers and friends a—

PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR—

The unusual condition of 1921 has brought the bank and its customers closer together than ever before.

We wish to express at this time our appreciation for their goodwill and loyalty.

SECURITY STATE BANK PORTALES, N. MEX.

INEZ ITEMS

(Delayed) On Wednesday evening, Dec. 28, Brother William of Elida delivered a message to the Inez people in such a way that it made each person feel that he was addressing the individual instead of his neighbor, and caused a determination in some to make the year 1922 the best of their lives. Brother Gilliam has a hearty welcome to Inez any time he may choose to visit us.

Next day was celebrated by a big fire just over in Texas. The fire escaped Mr. Ely's ranch when a whirl-wind came through his fire guard fire. It burned quite a strip in spite of all the resistance that was put forth. The threshing crews as well as individuals from this part helped to fight the intruder. They reported something like two hundred and fifty men, several came from Littlefield with brooms. It was a tired bunch that night.

Sunday, week ago, the Inez Sunday school voted a welcome invitation to the Longs' people to join our Sunday school and expressed a wish to be a part

HONOR ROLL OF EAST VALLEY VIEW SCHOOL

For the month ending Dec. 16: 1st Grade.—Hazel Walters, 2nd Grade.—Dorothy Converse, 3rd Grade.—Ola Walters, 4th Grade.—Edgar Walters, Dale Converse, Floy Owens, Mark Walters, Herman Reynolds, 7th Grade.—Nono Zula Norton.

HEAD COLDS

Melt Vicks in a spoon and inhale the medicated vapors. Apply frequently up the nostrils. Use freely before going to bed.



HOUSE PAINTING PAPER HANGING AUTOMOBILE PAINTING NEW DUST-PROOF SHOP

Chas. Goodloe PHONE 131

of their singing class. There is to be singing at Inez next Sunday night.

Mr. Vernon has returned from Roswell. Mrs. Vernon came home looking well, and says she feels almost like a new person.

ITCH!

Money back without question if HUNT'S GUARANTEED SKIN DRESS REMEDY (Hunt's Salve and Soap), fail in the treatment of Itch, Scabies, Ringworm, Tetter or other itching skin diseases. Try this treatment at our risk.

REGISTERED HOGS

Big Bone Poland China Sows—Some heavy with pigs. Some just bred. Also some unregistered sows, bred. These sows are all bred to Son of The Limit, for which Mr. Hendricks of Cuba City, Wis., paid \$40,000.00.

REGISTERED JERSEY BULLS

Three registered Jersey bull calves sired by Raleigh's Jersey Lad, the bull we purchased of Longview Farm, Kansas City, Mo., at a price of \$500.00. These calves are extra individuals and we offer them at a price of \$50.00 each. Can use good note.

S. C. RHODE ISLAND RED CHICKENS

These chickens made a record of 11,899 eggs for the year 1921, from an average of 87 females. A flock average of 136.77 per each hen. We have Cockerels from this strain of chickens for sale at \$1.50 to \$2.50.

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Notice to Taxpayers! ASSESSOR'S NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC! The laws of the State of New Mexico require that every inhabitant of the State, of full age and sound mind, shall, in each year, make a list of all property subject to taxation of which he is the owner or has the control or management. Such list must be on the form prescribed by law by the State Tax Commission and must be made and filed in the office of the County Assessor on or after the first day of January and not later than the first business day of February of each year. In compliance with law and for the convenience of taxpayers I will be at the various places in Roosevelt county on the respective dates as follows for the purpose of taking lists of property. Name and Location Date Portales, Assessor's Office... Jan. 1 to Feb. 1 Midway, Engram's Store... Jan. 16 Inez, Postoffice... Jan. 17 Old Redland, Cox's Store... Jan. 18 Lingo, Postoffice... Jan. 19 Garrison, Brown's Store... Jan. 20 Rogers Postoffice... Jan. 21 Redlake, Postoffice... Jan. 23 Richland, Postoffice... Jan. 24 New Hope, Postoffice... Jan. 25 Name and Location Date Valley View, School House... Jan. 26 Kenna, Kenna Bank... Jan. 27 Blitt, Postoffice... Jan. 30 Milnesand, Postoffice... Jan. 31 Eagle Hill, School House... Feb. 1 Clandell, Postoffice... Feb. 2 Floyd, Postoffice... Feb. 3 Dereno, Postoffice... Feb. 6 Tolar, Postoffice... Feb. 7 and 8 Ferry, School House... Feb. 9 Elida, McBride's Store... Feb. 14 to 18, inc. Any person failing to meet me at these appointments may make return to my office in Portales at any time within the limits fixed by law as given above, or blank for making rendition will be sent upon application, by mail or in person, to my office. "A penalty of twenty-five per cent in addition to the regular valuation must be added to the value of all property not listed for assessment within the time and in the form prescribed by law. No exceptions can be made to this law." Respectfully Yours, J. A. PIPKIN, Assessor ROOSEVELT COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

PLEAS We are report the very ill w Mr. and ing into th Fred H the Burne Earnest visited ho The Toc gave a 1 Sunday w by all p The D been livin place, hav Lewis l moved on "Raymon to school, him amon Brother us again l Jake B an exten country s well, and again: Lester for his l tales. FIFTH Progra meeting l land Ba January Friday votional Rev. J. 7:30, se Saturdional set Phillips, purposes ing, and rived th Bro. R. L Bro. Her 11:00 Park. Noon- 2:00 p conducte son. 2:15— constitut Discusse Bro. Ver L. A. Bl 2nd.— churches point." Prater a "From i by Rev. 7:00 p vice 7:30— Fortner. Sunda school m Rev. L. worker. 11:00 J. F. Ni Noon- 2:00 p work di Every attend t Joyce your gr

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DEMOCRATIC IN POLITICS

**WOULD HAVE
DOUBLE PRIMARY**

There seems to be a sentiment over the county for a double primary, so that the people may really nominate their candidate. Under the old system where a number of candidates are out for the same office, a very small vote may nominate, and the choice of the people counts for naught.

Under the double primary, the two leading candidates run it off and the one receiving the majority of votes is the nominee. The main objection to the double primary is the extra expense which must be borne by the candidates, but this could be overcome by the citizens being public spirited enough to hold the second election without cost for their services.

The News does not know how the various candidates feel about this, but it does believe that it would be fairer to both candidate and voter.

Again, under the old system the bars have been thrown down and all invited to come and help nominate the candidate, and then they go to the polls in November and vote for who they please. This paper favors the plan of the people picking their man and nominating him, and then supporting him in the general election. With the double primary, we believe a pledge to support the nominee would find favor with all. Now is the time to consider this before the meeting of the county executive committee.

**THE WOMEN OF ROOSEVELT COUNTY POWER
IN COMING ELECTION**

The women of Roosevelt county should not forget that they have a vote in the coming primaries. If they exercise that right they will be a power in the coming election, and the various candidates would do well to take note of the fact.

The women have been charged with the state going republican in the last general election, as well as the loss of the senatorial election last fall. If they want a voice in the government of the county they should begin at once to investigate the claims of the candidates and cast their vote for the best interests of their home and county.

The candidate who fails to take this vote into consideration will have a rude awakening the day after the coming primary election.

**THE TELEGRAPH IS
NOW A JOKE**

The News would like to know where the advantage of the telegraph lies? Christmas week the writer sent a message to Kenna so that the recipient could catch the local. The Kenna operator to show that he was on the job placed the message in the post-office, and it was delivered about noon. Had the message been mailed it would have reached its destination at least thirty minutes sooner. Last spring the writer sent a message to Elida to a party within stone's throw of the depot. This message was also placed in the postoffice for delivery and was delivered thirty-six hours after being sent. Had it been sent by mail it would have been delivered at least thirty hours sooner. The Western Union should give efficient service or close up and quit hampering the business of the public.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Under this head will appear announcements for candidates for the various offices of the county. Terms of announcements are \$12.50 in advance.

Democratic

The Portales Valley News is authorized to make the following announcements subject to the action of the Democratic primaries:

For Sheriff:

JOE BEASLEY
(of Portales)
EMZY ROBERTS
(of Portales)

PRESTON (TED) WILLIAMS
(of Richland)
C. C. (Charley) DAVIS
(Star Route, Elida)
E. M. (Milton) KORNEGAY
(of Portales)

For County Treasurer:

J. R. SHOCK (Re-election)

For Tax Assessor:

J. A. PIPKIN, (re-election)

For County Clerk:

R. H. GRISSOM
(for re-election)

For Probate Judge:

A. J. GOODWIN
(for re-election)

For Co. Commissioner, Pre. No. 1:

C. R. LANGSTON
(for re-election)

For Commissioner, Pre. No. 3:

B. W. KINSOLVING
(Star Route, Elida)

One consolation that tax payers of New Mexico can retain, is that none of the funds in the defunct Santa Fe bank were spent for the publication of the records of state or county officials.

As an example to tax payers, the state auditor stated that Santa Fe county had never published the commissioner's proceedings. If the commissioners court of Santa Fe county is on a par with other public officials at Santa Fe, the public has missed some rich reading in the past.

The News is only \$1.50 a year.

WITH THE CHURCHES

METHODIST CHURCH

That was a fine crowd at Sunday school and morning worship last Sunday at the Methodist church. Two classes in the Sunday school especially deserve mention. Mrs. Barton's class of girls had 20 present. Mrs. Greaves' class of junior girls had 19 present. Mrs. Greaves' class captured the banner for offering, their offering being \$2.25. Miss Smith's class of boys were fine also. In fact there are several classes that deserve special mention.

Say! the banners are here. Four of 'em. One for the best class in each of the departments, primary, junior and intermediate, senior and Bible classes. Wonder who will get them next Sunday? We are looking for the largest Sunday school yet.

Last Sunday was a great day for the Leaguers also. The Junior League which meets in the afternoon was fine. Everybody in the town who do not already belong somewhere should be a member of the Juniors if you are over seven and under thirteen. The Intermediate League is doing splendidly also. Watch the Intermediate grow.

Next Sunday our Presiding Elder, Rev. Joshua C. Jones will be here and preach at both the morning and evening hour. Come out and hear Brother Jones. A hearty welcome to all.
JAMES J. RICHARDS, Pastor.

BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Let us go over 200 next Sunday. Preaching at 11:00 a. m. Sunbeams at 2:00 p. m. Jr. B. Y. P. U. 3:00 p. m. Sr. B. Y. P. U. 6:00 p. m. Preaching 7:00 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday at 7:00 p. m. Choir practice Friday 7 p. m. W. M. S. two Thursdays in each month at 3:00 p. m.

We extend to one and all a cordial invitation to attend our services
J. F. NIX, Pastor.

PENTECOSTAL CHURCH

Sunday school at 10 a. m. Preaching 11 a. m. Prayermeeting Thursday at 8 p. m. You are always welcome to come and worship with us.
A. C. BATES, Pastor.

ROGERS CIRCUIT

Rogers, July 4th Sunday. Floyd, August, 1st Sunday. Cansey, 3rd Sunday. Inez, September 1st Sunday. Shady Grove, September 3rd Sunday.

Rev. W. G. Fondrea, P. C. Rogers, N. Mex.

JOE BEASLEY FOR SHERIFF.

The Portales Valley News is authorized to announce Joe Beasley as candidate for the office of sheriff of Roosevelt county, subject to the action of the democratic primaries.

Mr. Beasley has lived in the county for 30 years. He is known by the majority of the voters of the county, and is making his race solely on his merits.

He has been a life-long democrat and promises that if he is elected that he will do all in his power to give Roosevelt county an economical and efficient service, that he will do all in his power to enforce the law without fear or favor.

This is the first time Mr. Beasley has ever asked for public office. For the past year he has served as deputy under Sheriff McCormack. He is familiar with the work of the sheriff's office, and is thoroughly competent to fill the office which he asks at the hands of the voters.

**C. C. (CHARLEY) DAVIS
CANDIDATE FOR SHERIFF**

In presenting the announcement of C. C. (Charley) Davis as candidate for the office of sheriff of Roosevelt county, the greater number of our readers will recognize him as a stock farmer in the New Hope community, and a man of sterling character. Mr. Davis settled in this neighborhood about twelve years ago and since that time has devoted his time to stock farming. Mr. Davis is making this race solely on his merits and subject to the action of the democratic primary. Mr. Davis has the following to say in regard to his candidacy:

In making my announcement for the office of sheriff, I wish to state that I believe the selection of officers should be in the hands of the electorate. Laws are no better than the officers who enforce them. The primary evils of government are caused by the mal-administration of the law. The context of our laws themselves are secondary to the character and judgment of the judges who interpret them.

The sheriff is the chief law enforcing officer of the county, and from the greatest to the least popular counties this office usually creates more public interest than any other. The sheriff should be strictly a law abiding citizen. He should not be a practitioner of the evils he must endeavor to suppress as an officer. He should have an unbiased nature and calm, sober judgment. He should believe in a single public standard.

Realizing "a man's a man for a' that," he should know no rich, no poor, no high, no low, in the enforcement of the law.

Whether the principles outlined above are sound and whether I sufficiently measure up to them, I willingly leave to the judgment and will of the citizenship of Roosevelt county.

C. C. DAVIS.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR

The Christian Endeavor Society of the Christian church held its first meeting last Sunday at 6 p. m. There were thirteen charter members. The following officers were elected:
President—Miss Hamilton.
Vice-President—Ruby Stokes.
Secretary—Iris Ribble.
Treasurer—Paul Stokes.
Come to the Christian Endeavor next Sunday evening at 6 o'clock. The meeting will be led by Miss Hamilton, the subject being "God in our lives."

"FOR GARDEN SEED"

The News has on hand a limited amount of garden seed compliments of Senator A. A. Jones. As long as it lasts we will give it to the News readers.

**B. W. KINSOLVING FOR
COMMISSIONER, PRE. NO. 3**

In presenting the announcement of B. W. Kinsolving for the office of commissioner for Precinct No. 3, Roosevelt county, the News is not placing the name of a stranger before the voters of the county.

Mr. Kinsolving has resided in this precinct for the past 17 years and has always been identified with the interests of his county and community.

He served on the board of road commissioners and was instrumental in the building of several of the early highways of the county.

Mr. Kinsolving says that if he is elected to the office of county commissioner, that he will endeavor to represent the people of the entire county, and that he will do all in his power to give Roosevelt county as economical an administration as is possible.

He is a Texas raised democrat, and makes the race subject to the action of the democratic primaries.

**E. M. (Milton) KORNEGAY
ANNOUNCES FOR SHERIFF**

In the announcement columns of this paper will be found the name of E. M. Cornegay as a candidate for the office of sheriff of Roosevelt county.

Mr. Kornegay is an old resident of the county, and is one of the best known men of the county. He served as deputy sheriff under Arch Gregg for three years at Elida in the days of the saloon, and as to his ability to enforce the law, his record stands for itself.

Mr. Kornegay is making this race subject to the action of the democratic primary, and asks that you consider his claim before casting your vote.

In regard to his race he has the following to say for himself: I hereby announce myself for sheriff of Roosevelt county, and promise the voters if elected, that I will enforce the law. If our laws are no good, they should be repealed, if they are not—they should be enforced.

E. M. KORNEGAY.

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Judge—"Now I don't expect to see you here again, Rufus."
Rufus—"Not see me here again Mr. Judge? Why yo'all ain't 'goin' to resign yo' job is you, Judge?"—Exchange.

OLD DOG BIRD SAYS



No. 2

The increase in hold-ups indicates that the profiteers are back at their regular vocation.

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MRS. FLORENCE DAVIS

ON

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AT

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The GIRL HORSE AND A DOG

By FRANCIS LYNDE

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SYNOPSIS.

CHAPTER I.—Under his grandfather's will, Stanford Broughton, society idler, finds his share of the estate, valued at something like \$50,000, lies in a "safe repository," latitude and longitude described, and that is all. It may be identified by the presence nearby of a brown-haired, blue-eyed girl, a piebald horse, and a dog with a split face, half black and half white. Stanford at first regards the bequest as a joke, but after consideration sets out to find his legacy.

CHAPTER II.—On his way to Denver, the city nearest the meridian described in his grandfather's bequest, Stanford meets a fellow traveler a story having to do with a flooded mine.

CHAPTER III.—Thinking things over, he begins to imagine there may be something in his grandfather's bequest worth while. His idea, finally centering on the possibility of a mine, as a "safe repository." Recalling the narrative on the train, he ascertains that his fellow traveler was a mining engineer, Charles Bullerton. Bullerton refuses him information, but from other sources Broughton learns enough to make him proceed to Placerville, in the Red desert.

CHAPTER IV.—On the station platform at Atropia, just as the train pulls out, Stanford sees what appears to be the identical horse and dog described in his grandfather's will. Impressed, he leaves the train at the next stop, Angels. There he finds that Atropia was originally Placerville, his destination. Unable to secure a conveyance at once to take him to Placerville, Broughton seizes a construction car and escapes, leaving the impression on the town marshal, Beasley, that he is slightly demented.

CHAPTER V.

The Magic Triad.

To be stopped before I could reach my goal was no part of my plan, so I opened things up and gave the little three-wheeled dinky all the gas it could use, keeping a sharp lookout ahead, and meaning to pull up a little way short of the graveyard city, abandoning the car and making the actual approach on foot.

Judging from the way the scenery was racing backward, I estimated that the little car must be doing at least thirty miles to the hour; which meant forty minutes or such a matter, to cover the twenty-one miles. If opposing train or trains, whatever they might be, would only keep out of my way for those precious forty minutes.

I pushed the small motor to its limit and was getting along beautifully until suddenly, on a grade that was a bit steeper than usual, the popping exhaust quit short off, the engine slowed down, and the car, squeaking and grinding, came to a stand on a low embankment between two of the hill cuttings.

There wasn't anything very complicated about the little motor, and I soon discovered that a broken ignition wire was what had killed it. Happily, there was a small toolbox under the seat, and in the kit there was a pair of pliers. But sometimes—and this was one of them—a bit of material is as important as the tools to work with. The broken wire was too short to couple up again, and there wasn't an inch of spare wire to be found in the kit.

They say that necessity is the mother of invention; but I'll defy anybody to invent a piece of wire in the middle of the Great Sahara desert. Every minute I was expecting to hear the rumble and roar of a train.

In this extremity it was a little desert zephyr that gave me the great idea. A gentle breeze came sighing up the draw from some overheated area out beyond, and finding no trees on the barren hills, it sang its little song in the thickly clustering telegraph wires on the poles. Why, sure! I said to myself; here was my wire—miles and miles of it. All I had to do was to climb up and get it.

Gentle reader, I wonder if you've ever tried to climb a telegraph pole without the contrivance that a line-man buckles upon his feet? If you haven't, the advice of this amateur is—don't. Half a dozen times I shinned up to perhaps the height of a man's head, only to come sliding down again on a run. At last, by a series of inchings I contrived to get within arm's-reach of the lowest crosspiece. Eilers in hand, I strained for the nearest wire, propped it, and began to twist it back and forth to break it.

Not to let me miss any of the thrills, it was at the precise instant of the wire-breaking that my straining ears caught the sound they had been listening for; a far-away, drumming rattle that seemed to come from nowhere in particular. Then, out of the same indefinite circumference came a warning that was still more unmistakable—the long-drawn blast of a locomotive whistle.

I didn't climb down that pole; I came down like the time-ball on the flagstaff in Washington at high noon. Moreover, I struck the ground running, as one might say. All thoughts of tinkering that confounded motor had vanished and my one great object in life was to get the car off the track before a worse thing should happen. I was doing fairly well with the lifting and tugging when the snarl howl in

sight less than five hundred yards away. And that wasn't all, either. At precisely the same instant, as if it had been timed by the same mechanism that had brought the freight train, here came a wild engine around the curve in the opposite direction, with its whistle valve held open and making a racket to wake the dead. The bereft motor-car riders had found a locomotive somewhere and were chasing me.

One mad heave at the stranded gasoline car, a mighty boost that got all but one wheel of it in the clear, and I was gone—streaking it like a jack-rabbit for the tall timber—only there wasn't a stick of timber nearer than the slopes of the backgrounding mountains.

One glance over my shoulder as I fled showed me what I was in for: that the story was to be immediately continued in our next. Both engines tried to stop; did stop in time to avert the greater catastrophe. Three or four men jumped from the freight and two from the wild engine to come tearing after me. I fancied I could give them their money's worth at that game—being in pretty fair training—so I pitched out to try to turn the hypothetical theory into a condition.

It was a great race. Through one gap and into another we went, making figure eights around the hills and back again, dodging into new ravines and out of them into others, circling among great sandstone boulders that took all sorts of weird shapes in the passing glimpse.

I don't know just how long the chase lasted, but it was long enough to give me a very considerable degree of respect for the nerve and persistence of those highly indignant railroad men. We must have been miles away from the scene of the disaster when I finally left them behind and lost them. When I looked back and found myself alone with the solitudes I sat down upon a flat rock to gasp and laugh. It had all been so supremely ridiculous, and so beautifully in keeping with the reputation I had left behind me at Angels, that I felt sure that now nothing less than a verdict of expert alienists would ever serve to convince these Red Desert folk that I was anything but an escaped lunatic.

After the breathing spell I kept on up the valley, heading away from the setting sun, and feeling certain that, sooner or later, I must come out somewhere in the neighborhood of Atropia. Two hours later I came into a sort of an excuse for a road. Being pretty well winded by the stiff climb out of the canyon ravine, I sat down at the roadside to rest a bit and to decide which way I should go, to the right or to the left. Just as I was making up my mind I heard a pattering of feet and a dog barked.

A moment later I could see the best, indistinctly. He had been coming up the road and had stopped at the sight—or scent—of me. Since a dog argued the proximity of a dog-owning human being, I called coaxingly: "Here, Towser—here—come on, old fellow—that's a boy!" and the curious thing about it is that he did it, running up a little way and stopping, and finally coming to squat before me and to lift a paw for me to shake.

I jollied him a bit and let him nose me to his heart's content. Then suddenly, as if he had discovered a long-lost master, he broke away and began to leap and dance around me, barking a furious and hilarious welcome. In the midst of this hubbub I heard hoofbeats and the squeaking of saddle leathers, and the dog's owner rode up. At first I thought the dimly outlined Stetson-hatted figure in the saddle was that of a boy. But it was a woman's voice, and a mighty pleasant one, that called to the dog: "Down, Barney, and behave yourself—what's the matter with you, sir!"

I stood up and pulled off my cap. "I'm chiefly the matter," I said. "Your dog seems to think he knows me, and I'm awfully sorry that his memory is so much better than mine." You'd think—anybody would think—that a woman riding alone in the dark on a solitary mountain road would be handsomely startled, to say the least, at seeing a man rise up fairly under her horse's nose. But if my little lady were scared, she certainly didn't parade her fright. "Barney is such a foolish dog, sometimes," she said apologetically. "He has a double brain, you know; half of it is good-natured and silly and the other half is—well, it's—"

white and the other was so black that it merged and faded harmoniously into the night!

"I know," I said, straightening up again; "my brain acts that way, too, sometimes." Then: "Pardon me, but would you mind telling me the color of the horse you are riding?"

The young woman laughed and her laugh was just as jolly and pleasant as her speaking voice.

"Winkie is what the cow-men call a 'pinto'—a calico horse," she answered promptly.

"Sure!" I bellowed, "I know it!" and the horse shied and the dog barked in sheer sympathy. Then I apologized. "Please forgive the explosion. As I said a minute ago, my brain sometimes acts like Barney's; half of it being good-natured and silly and the other half—well, I'll omit the description of the other half for the present, if you'll permit me. May I—er—will you have the goodness to tell me where I am?"

"Why—dear me! Don't you know where you are?"

"Not any more than a harmless, necessary goat, I assure you."

"I couldn't be certain, but I thought she took a little firmer hold upon her bridle rein."

"Did you—did you come from Angels?" she asked in a sort of awed little voice.

"How did you guess it? I was, indeed—for a very short space of time this very day—a member of the Angelic band. And if you should ask me, I might say that I feel as though I had walked most of the way here from Angels. I—I—my car broke down, you know."

"Yes," she said: "I know"—just as if she did. Then: "I can at least tell you where you are. This is the southern slope of Cinnabar Mountain. This road leads on down to Atropia, about three miles below."

"Yes; Atropia was the place I was trying to come at."

She stopped and appeared to be thinking about something. Then she said: "Really, I think you would better not go to Atropia. It's—well, it's quite a long walk."

"The walk doesn't specially appal me. I've done so much walking this afternoon that a few hundred miles, more or less, in addition wouldn't be worth mentioning. But for some other reasons—"

"Yes; for some other reasons," she said, repeating it right after me. Then: "I—we—Daddy and I, might give you some supper and put you up for the night, if—if you wouldn't mind sleeping in—the in the loft."

My Lord! I hadn't so much as seen her face clearly yet, but I could have worshipped her! She had just come from Atropia, and she knew! Of course, she knew. That little dry-as-dust hamlet must have been straying for hours with the wire news of the escaped lunatic who had alighted in Angels only to light out again with a stolen inspection car. And in the face of all that she was willing to take a chance on me! If she had only known that I would cheerfully risk sleeping in a loft—rather than lose sight of her—she but she was going on a bit breathlessly: "It is only a short mile to our cabin and—if you are very tired, I might let you ride Winkie."

"I shall be most delighted—to walk," I hastened to say.

"Straight on up the road, then," she directed.

something of that nature—you will know what I mean—flannel shirt, trousers tucked into boots, iron-gray whiskers all over his face, an eye as mild as a colic dog's.

"You done plum" right, Jeanie," he remarked; and then to me: "Come right on in, stranger, and be at home. If you don't see what you want, ask for it." After which he went to take care of the piebald pony.

The log cabin proved to be primitive only on the outside. The interior was a dream of cozy homeliness. A hanging lamp lighted it, and in its mild glow I had my first real look at the girl.

She wasn't beautiful in any show-girl meaning of the word; she was something far better—piquant, charming. A round little face, wind-tanned to a tint as delicious as the blush in the heart of an apple-blossom, a jolly bit of a nose, tip-titled enough to be speak a healthily sense of humor, a mouth neither too large nor too small upheld by a firm, round chin, and the chin upheld by an extra firm little jaw.

As she had admitted, her eyes were blue—the blue that shades into violet—and they were well-set; wide apart and perfectly fearless; the kind of eyes fit to match the straight-lined brows that usually go with them.

I sat before the cheerful blaze, chuckling quietly to myself over the mad adventures of the day and their highly romantic, not to say miraculous, outcome. Beyond all manner of doubt I had stumbled upon the three tall-mans of Cousin Percy's cryptic letter. By the most marvelous of accidents I had discovered the girl, the horse and the dog; and, if the remainder of Percy's letter were to be taken at its face value, I should now be in touch with my legacy.

As to the character of that legacy, there could be no further question. Grandfather Jasper had left me a mine; and I was fully prepared to find it the drowned mine of Bullerton's story. What I might be able to make of it was a matter which could well be postponed to another day. Just as I reached this postponing conclusion, the girl's father came in, drew up a chair on the opposite side of the hearth, and began to make me welcome in a mild-mannered way, saying that they didn't have much company, and were always "master" glad to see a new face. He did not ask me any troublesome questions; and beyond telling me his name, which was Hiram Twombly, did not volunteer any information about himself or his daughter, nor did he explain how they came to be living in so much comparative comfort in such an out-of-the-way place.

A little later the girl returned to set the table, and presently we had



A Little Later the Girl Returned to Set the Table.

supper. It was an amazingly good meal; crisp bacon, fried potatoes, hot biscuits and honey, and coffee, that was most delicious in spite of the condensed milk which was made to serve as cream.

After we left the table the blue-eyed maiden got housewifely busy, and the old man and I sat before the fire and smoked. I don't remember just how it was that we finally drifted around to automobiles and motor boats and such things, but we did, and may be I may have bragged a bit about having driven and tinkered pretty nearly all the breeds of go-cart on land and water—as I really had.

"Know about machinery, do you?" said my heart-mate; and then, with a humorous glint in his mild eyes: "Shouldn't wonder if you could be sort of a Godsend to me, if you wanted to. To-morrow, if you ain't in too big a hurry to be leavin' us, I'll get you to show me a few things that I don't know, 'long them lines, maybe."

Of course, I acquiesced, cheerfully. By and by the girl came in and sat down to knit, just as her grandmother might have done, and at that her father got up, and lighting a lantern, went out. I was fairly perishing by this time to know a vast number of things, but hardly knew how to begin asking about them. So, as the old man clapped on his hat and left the cabin, I blew out the first foolish remark that came uppermost.

"All dressed up, and nowhere to go; isn't that about the way of it for you two up on this mountain?"

"Meaning Daddy, and now, particularly?" she said, smiling across at me.

round of the mine buildings and cabins. Not that there is the slightest use of it; only he likes to feel that he is at least pretending to earn his pay."

"The mine?" I queried.

"Yes; this is the old Cinnabar, you know; and Daddy is the—well, I suppose you might call us the caretakers, though there isn't much to take care of. The mine has been shut down for a year and more."

"Is it a gold mine?"

"It was."

"Why the past tense?"

"Water," she said, briefly. "It's a drowned mine. That is why it was shut down."

Of course, this was exactly what I was expecting to hear, and yet this plain unvarnished confirmation of things gave me a damp and soggy feeling of despondency. Percy had wired, you remember, that his letter was no joke; but it seemed that it really was one, and that the joke—which was a mighty grim one—was on me.

"Can't the water be pumped out?" I asked.

"It seems not. I understand the company spent thousands of dollars trying to pump it out. It's—it's rather pitiful."

"You mean the company's loss?"

"No; the company didn't lose anything. It was just one old man."

Now we were coming to the real meat of the thing and I looked my hand of cards over carefully to the end that I should not overplay it.

"I'm fond of stories," I ventured; "especially mining stories," and thereupon she told me the story of the Cinnabar. It was a fair repetition of Bullerton's tale, with a few more of the particulars thrown in.

As my blue-eyed little Scheherazade understood it, my grandfather had been a minority stockholder in the company during its prosperous period. When the water debacle came, the fact of it was carefully concealed from him and he was generously permitted to come to the rescue—which he did by paying a fabulous sum (Scheherazade did not know how much) for his fellow-stockholders' holdings. In other words, they had sold him a gold brick; soaked him for a final clean-up on a doomed mine. That was about all there was to it.

"Did my—did the old gentleman you speak of ever come out here himself?" She nodded.

"Once that we know of; that was after it was all over and the place was deserted. At that time Daddy had taken up a claim just west of here in the next gulch and we were living in this cabin; squatters, I guess you'd call us. So we camped down."

"That was quite right and proper. And this Mr. Jasper Dudley; he didn't turn you out when he came, did he?"

as round as the full moon.

"Even so; you, your horse and your dog. Would you—er—would you permit an exceedingly personal question? Remembering always that it is put by a man who has lost his wits? Have you a small brown mole on your left shoulder?"

She blushed very fetchingly; even the handsome mountain wind tan wasn't brown enough to hide it.

"I think you are crazy—completely crazy."

"Certainly I am; there hasn't been the slightest doubt of it since—well, since about two weeks ago, when I started to hunt for you and a piebald dog, and piebald horse."

There was silence before the fire for a long minute and I began to be afraid Daddy Hiram would come back before anything else happened. Then she said, with more curiosity than resentment, I thought:

"How did you know about the mole?"

"Then there is one?" I questioned eagerly.

"X-yes."

"Glory be!" I chanted. "You don't know what a load you have lifted from whatever poor fragment of a mind I have left!"

Again she said: "I don't know what you mean."

"Just you wait," I begged. "I have lucid intervals at times; all crazy folks do, you know. When my next one comes along I'll explain as much as I can—which isn't nearly as much as you might think, at that."

It was just at this moment that her father returned, so she went on with her sock-knitting while we two men talked a bit and had a bed-time smoke. Pretty soon I began to get sleepy—a natural consequence of the strenuous day—and at the third yawn, which I was trying vainly to hide, Daddy Twombly lighted a candle and offered to show me my bunk.

This proved to be in the cabin loft, as the blue-eyed maiden had threatened, and the stair was just a common ladder. Father Hiram left me the candle, and I had blown the light out and rolled myself in the blankets before I realized that the loft must be directly over the room with the fireplace in it.

I was so workmanly tired that I fell asleep almost at once, and why I should have awakened before morning, I don't know. But I did awaken, and though I don't know what time it was, it seemed as if I hadn't been asleep more than a few minutes. There were voices in the room beneath; Twombly and his daughter had not yet gone to bed, so it must have been reasonably early. I had no manner of right to listen in, but short of stuffing cotton in my ears there didn't seem to be any easy way of staying out—and I didn't have any cotton.

"I heard something today—something that you won't like to hear,

Charles Bullerton is somewhere in this neighborhood. He was in Angels yesterday or the day before."

"Huh!" granted Twombly; "I wonder what sort of a crooked deal he's tryin' to pull off now? Did he stay in Angels?"

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Statement of the County Commissioners of Roosevelt County, New Mexico, for the Year Ending November 30th, 1921.

FUND OR ACCOUNT	Balance Nov. 30, 1920	Receipts During Year	Transfer to Funds	Transfer from Funds	Payments During Year	Balance Nov. 30, 1921
General County		\$10,411.57	\$4,500.00	\$ 322.88	\$13,735.79	\$ 27.40
Court	4,470.92	3,255.85		322.87	3,883.29	3,500.63
Interest and Sinking	4,581.38	1,953.59		4,500.00	1,054.34	980.54
General School	339.01	15,290.94		14,642.67	3,891.71	595.57
Court House and Jail Repairs	454.58	12,520.22			12,050.80	924.20
Wild Animal Bounty	13.15	813.37			70.00	4.52
Indigent	1,744.85	843.70			1,188.07	1,400.51
State Treasurer	524.00	1.15			31.67	494.08
Institute	208.90	47,835.84			46,992.50	1,062.24
Salary	155.04		26.77		181.81	
Assessor Morrison	6,803.19	12,930.35			17,916.20	1,817.34
Tax Sale Redemption	7.92	29.86			34.03	3.75
Bond Redemption		1,993.85			1,893.85	
Agricultural Agent	420.00				400.15	420.00
DeBeas County	702.28	15.59			24,248.77	317.73
District Attorney's Salary	30.36	24,636.45			495.93	418.04
	366.45	129.48			645.75	645.75

R. H. GRISSOM, Clerk.

CALVIN R. LANGSTON, Chairman.

MARRIAGE LICENSE.

This week marriage licenses were issued to the following:
Miss Ollie Ony of Arch and Tom Ferguson of Littlefield, Texas.
Miss Bula Cullins of Elida and James G. A. Ford of Portales.

Mrs. Kenedy requests us to state that anyone having phonograph records of which they have tired or old magazines, that the first grade unit of the Portales school will greatly appreciate the same, as they can be used in this department.

Legal Publications

In the Probate Court of Roosevelt County, New Mexico.

In the matter of the Estate of) No. 219.
Thomas H. Long, Deceased.)

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the administratrix, Virginia L. Long, has filed her final report in said cause, and the 6th day of March, 1922, has been the day set by the court for the hearing of said final report and accounting, and the settlement thereof.

THEREFORE, any heir, creditor or other person interested in said estate may, on or before the date aforesaid, file objections thereto, or any particular item of the report thereof, and the same will be heard and considered by the Court together with the said final report.

R. H. GRISSOM,
County Clerk and Ex-Officio
Probate Clerk of Roosevelt
County, New Mexico.
By Paul E. Morrison, Deputy.
Jan. 12—Feb. 2—C.

In Probate Court of Roosevelt County, New Mexico.

In the matter of the estate of) No. 201.
O. Wendel, Deceased.)

Notice is hereby given that Tyre Beal, administrator of the estate of O. Wendel, deceased, has filed his final report, together with his petition praying for discharge; and the Hon. A. J. Goodwin, Probate Judge of Roosevelt County, New Mexico, has set the 6th day of March, 1922, at the hour of ten o'clock in the forenoon of said day, at the court room of said county, as the day, time and place for hearing objections, if any there be, to said report and petition.

Therefore any person wishing to object is hereby notified to file his objections with the County Clerk of Roosevelt County, New Mexico, on or before the date set for said hearing.

Dated this 4th day of January, 1922.
(Seal) R. H. GRISSOM,
County Clerk.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO,

To Joe Foster, defendant, Greeting: You will take notice that a suit has been filed against you in the District Court of the Ninth Judicial District of New Mexico, in and for the County of Roosevelt, wherein H. H. Munroe, W. H. Munroe and D. D. Tucker, co-partners trading under the firm name of New Mexico Cattle & Realty Company are plaintiffs and you, the said Joe Foster, is defendant, said cause being No. 1732 upon the civil docket of said court.

The general object of said suit is as follows: The plaintiffs seek to the sum of \$350.00 with interest as commission for the sale and exchange of your property, plaintiffs being real estate agents, under a contract entered into between you, the said defendant and plaintiffs, on or about November 19, 1921. Said commission being for services performed by plaintiffs in selling and exchanging your property under said contract.

You are further notified that on December 29th, 1921, an attachment and summons issued against you out of said District Court in said cause and under said writ your property to-wit: All your grain, hay, feed, of every description and character, all your farming implements, harvesters, etc., have been attached by the sheriff of Roosevelt County, New Mexico. Said property being situated upon the Rhea Robbins farm, the same purchased by you from said Rhea Robbins, in Roosevelt County, New Mexico. And unless

you appear and plead or answer in said cause on or before the 18th day of February, 1922, judgment will be rendered against you by default for \$350.00, costs and interest, and your property so attached will be sold to satisfy the same.

You are further notified that Albert Morgan is attorney for plaintiffs and his business address is Portales, New Mexico.

Witness my hand and seal of said Court, this 6th day of January, 1922.
(Seal) E. H. GRISOM, Clerk.
By Paul E. Morrison, Deputy.
J. 5-26-Mr

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF SUIT

THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO,

To Cornelia Fitch, Mary Hulsey, all unknown heirs and all unknown devisees of Cornelia Fitch and Mary Hulsey, and all unknown claimants and owners of the premises, defendants, GREETING:

You and each of you are hereby notified that a suit has been filed against you in the District Court of the Ninth Judicial District of the State of New Mexico, in and for Roosevelt county, wherein Maggie Burrow, Bell Butler, Aurelia Bumgardner, Addie May Haddock, Charles Roach and Henry Roach are plaintiffs, and you, the said Cornelia Fitch and Mary Hulsey, all unknown heirs and all unknown devisees of Cornelia Fitch and Mary Hulsey, and all unknown claimants and owners of the premises are defendants, said cause being numbered 1735 upon the Civil Docket of said Court.

The general objects of said action are as follows:
The plaintiffs allege that they are joint owners with the defendants and

tenants in common with the defendants of the following described real estate, to-wit: Lot numbered nine in block numbered twenty-three in the Town of Portales, New Mexico; the northwest quarter of the southwest quarter, the south half of the northwest quarter and the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of section thirteen and the southwest quarter of section twelve all in township one south of range thirty-four east of the New Mexico Meridian, New Mexico; that said described lands and real estate were owned in fee simple by Sallie A. Nash at the time of her death on the second day of January, 1919, and that the above named plaintiffs and defendants are the owners of said described real estate, having inherited the same from the said Sallie A. Nash, deceased; that the father and mother of the said Sallie A. Nash predeceased her, and that she died intestate; that the plaintiffs, Maggie Burrow, Bell Butler and Aurelia Bumgardner are the sisters of the said Sallie A. Nash and own a three-sixths interest in and to said described real estate; and that the plaintiffs, Addie May Haddock, Charles Roach and Henry Roach are the adult children and only children of Virginia F. Roach, a deceased sister of the said Sallie A. Nash, and own a one-sixth interest in said real estate; that the defendants Cornelia Fitch and Mary Hulsey are sisters of the said Sallie A. Nash, and if living they own an undivided two-sixths interest in said real estate, and if dead, their heirs and devisees own such two-sixths interest.

The plaintiffs pray for the decree of the court partitioning said premises and real estate according to the respective rights of the parties interested therein, and if it appears to the court

NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRADING, PAVING, CURBING, GUTTERING AND IMPROVING CERTAIN STREETS WITHIN THE TOWN OF PORTALES, NEW MEXICO, AND OF THE TIME AND PLACE OF A HEARING AS TO THE PROPRIETY AND ADVISABILITY OF MAKING SUCH IMPROVEMENTS, AND AS TO THE MANNER OF PAYMENT THEREOF, AND AS TO THE AMOUNT THEREOF TO BE ASSESSED AGAINST THE PROPERTY ABUTTING THEREON.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: You are hereby notified as follows: That on the 29th day of September, A. D. 1921, the Board of Trustees of the Town of Portales, determined that the interest of the town required that the following streets be graded, paved, guttered and otherwise improved, to-wit: Main Street.

That portion of Main Street between its intersection with the line of the right of way of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company nearest Commercial Street, and its intersection with the line of Union Street nearest State Street. This paving to be 40 feet wide, except the block between Liberty and State Streets which is to be 50 feet wide.

Colorado Street.
That portion of Colorado Street between its intersection with the line of the right of way of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company nearest Commercial Street, and its intersection with the line of Union Street nearest State Street. This paving to be 40 feet wide, except the block between Liberty and State Streets which is to be 50 feet wide.

Liberty Street.
That portion of Liberty Street between its intersection with the line of Ohio Street nearest Main Street and its intersection with the line of Nevada Street nearest Colorado Street. This paving to be 40 feet wide, except the block between Colorado and Main Street which is to be 50 feet wide.

State Street.
That portion of State Street between its intersection with the line of Ohio Street nearest Main Street and its intersection with the line of Nevada Street nearest Colorado Street. This paving to be 40 feet wide except the block between Colorado and Main Street which is to be 50 feet wide.

That Oscar Dobbs, appointed engineer for the Town, to make and prepare estimates, maps, plans, specifications, etc., for the said paving improvements, fully complied with all requirements and made and presented said estimates, maps, plans, specifications, etc., to the Board of Trustees of said Town, all of which were accepted and approved by the said Board of Trustees and were ordered filed in the office of the Town Recorder, where the same may be seen by any person interested therein during usual business hours, and from which any property owner may determine the estimated assessment which is proposed to be levied on any particular piece of property.

That the total estimated cost of such grading, paving, curbing and guttering and improving of the said streets is \$107,561.75; and that it is proposed to assess the cost of improving said streets above specified (not including intersection) upon all of the property fronting or abutting upon said specified streets.

The cost of paving intersections shall be assessed upon the property within a distance of one-half block from such intersections.
That it is proposed to cause the assessments for said improvements to be payable in 10 installments, the first of which shall be due and payable within thirty (30) days after the publication of an ordinance levying such assessments, and one installment shall be due and payable on or before one year after the date of the publication of said ordinance each year thereafter until all of said installments are fully paid. Unpaid installments will bear interest at the rate of eight per cent (8 per cent) per annum.

That the Board of Trustees of the Town of Portales will meet on Friday, the 27th day of January, 1922, at the hour of 7:30 P. M., in said town at the Court House, at which time and place the owners of property abutting on the said streets so to be improved, or any other person interested therein, may appear before said Board of Trustees, and be heard as to the propriety and advisability of making such improvements, and as to the cost thereof, and as to the manner of payment thereof, and as to the amount thereof to be assessed against the property abutting thereon or benefited thereby.
Any property owner, or other person interested in the said improvements, who has any objections or protests against the construction of said improvements, is requested to reduce such objections or protests to writing, specifically stating the grounds for his objection or protest, in order that the same may receive proper consideration by the Board of Trustees.
This notice given by authority of the Board of Trustees of Portales, New Mexico, this 8th day of December, A. D. 1921.
(SEAL) S. N. HANCOCK,
Town Recorder.
Jan. 5-26

that petition cannot be made without great prejudice to the owners, then, the plaintiffs pray that said described real estate be sold and the proceeds of such sale be distributed among the owners of said property as provided by law, and for general relief.

You, and each of you are notified that if you fail to appear and answer in said cause, on or before the 24th day of February, 1922, judgment by default will be taken against you and the plaintiffs will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in their complaint.

You are further notified that George L. Reese is attorney for the plaintiffs and that his postoffice address is Portales, New Mexico.

Witness my hand and the seal of said court on this the third day of January, 1922.
(Seal) R. H. GRISSOM, Clerk.
By Paul E. Morrison, Deputy.
J. 5-26-R.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Roswell, New Mexico, December 7, 1921.

Notice is hereby given that Joseph H. Boteler, of Milnesand, New Mexico, who on May 14, 1921, made additional stock-raising homestead entry No. 049082, for N $\frac{1}{2}$ section 15, township 8-S., range 36-E., N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three-year proof to establish claim to the land above described, before A. J. Goodwin, Judge of Probate Court, at Portales, New Mexico, on the 17th day of January, 1922.

Claimant names as witnesses: William O. Clark, of Bluit, N. M.; Isaac L. Bow, of Milnesand, N. M.; J. William McCullough, of Milnesand, N. M.; Charles C. Smith, of Lingo, N. M.

EMMETT PATTON,
Dec. 15-Jan. 12. Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Roswell, New Mexico, December 7, 1921.

Notice is hereby given that Hollie J. McKinzie, of Lingo, N. M., who, on January 3, 1921, made additional stock-raising homestead entry No. 045131 for Lots 6, 7, E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ section 6, township 7-S., range 37-E., N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three-year proof to establish claim to the land above described, before A. J. Goodwin, Judge of the Probate Court of Roosevelt County, N. M., at Portales, N. M., on the 16th day of January, 1922.

Claimant names as witnesses: Charles E. Massey, of Richland, N. M.; John W. Helmer, of Richland, N. M.; John H. Kidd, of Richland, N. M.; George L. Bilberry, of Portales, New Mexico.

EMMETT PATTON,
Dec. 15-Jan. 12. Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Fort Sumner, N. M., December 16, 1921.

Notice is hereby given that Shannon A. Clark, of Inez, N. M., who on Aug. 27th, 1917, made additional homestead entry No. 017171, for lots 3, 4, section 15, township 4 south, range 37 east, N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three-year proof to establish claim to the land above described, before A. J. Goodwin, Probate Judge, in his office at Portales, N. M., on the 10th day of Feb'y, 1922.

Claimant names as witnesses: Evert E. Belcher, Grover C. Grant, Thomas J. Mullins, Sr., Thomas J. Mullins, Jr., all of Inez, N. M.
W. R. MCGILL,
Dec. 29-Jan. 26. Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Fort Sumner, N. M., December 16, 1921.

Notice is hereby given that Evan P. Williams, of Inez, N. M., who, on Aug. 27, 1917, made additional homestead entry No. 017172, for SW $\frac{1}{4}$ section 15, township 4 south, range 37 east, N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three-year proof to establish claim to the land above described, before A. J. Goodwin, Probate Judge, in his office at Portales, N. M., on the 10th day of Feb'y, 1922.

Claimant names as witnesses: Evert E. Belcher, Grover C. Grant, Thomas J. Mullins, Sr., Thomas J. Mullins, Jr., all of Inez, N. M.
W. R. MCGILL,
Dec. 29-Jan. 26. Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Roswell, N. Mex., December 14, 1921.

Notice is hereby given that Thomas A. Williams, of Lingo, New Mexico, who, on June 20th, 1918, made stock-raising homestead entry No. 043959, for all section 29, township 7 S., range 37 E., N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three year proof to establish claim to the land above described before A. J. Goodwin, Judge of Probate Court, Portales, New Mexico, at Portales, N. M., on the 26th day of January, 1922.

Claimant names as witnesses: Jim H. Bilberry, of Lingo, N. M.; H. D. King, of Lingo, N. M.; James W. Foster, of Lingo, N. M.; Samuel M. Williams, of Lingo, N. M.
EMMETT PATTON,
Dec. 23-Jan. 20. Register.

Business & Professional Ads

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ANNUAL COUNTY REPORTS

Certain boards of county commissioners are requiring an annual report from each officer. If these reports are in proper form, they will be of considerable interest and value. It is questionable whether the publication of voluminous "proceedings" at the meetings of county boards is of any value. But a clear statement of revenues and expenditures for a year may enable the average citizen to know as to the people's money "whence it came and whither it goeth."

Section 1211 of the Codification of 1915 requires that "The Board of County Commissioners of the respective counties at their regular meeting in January in each year shall cause to be prepared a statement of the receipts and expenditures of such county during the year immediately preceding, setting forth the amount of money received from taxes, from licenses and all other sources; setting forth the amount expended, and the particular objects for which in each case every sum of money has been expended; and such statement signed by the chairman and county clerk shall be published."

The publication of receipts and payments, however, is not sufficient to show the actual financial conditions of the county. There should also be shown the amount of taxes and other revenues not collected and a list of outstanding bills not paid by the county on the last day of the year. In other words it must be possible to determine in the first place whether the county has kept its obligations incurred during the year with the revenues applicable to that year. The statement should be such that it can be determined from the report whether the county has been managed in an efficient and economical manner.—Tax Payers Association.

FLOYD NEWS

Floyd has been silent for a while but like the old owl, "she keeps a mighty thinking." We never saw finer weather for the time of year, our bountiful crops are all gathered and we are just waiting now for a big snow or rain for moisture so we can plow, set out trees, etc.

The health of our community is fine with the exception of chicken-pox among the children. Doesn't seem to be hurting them much.

Last Wednesday, the 4th, Mr. and Mrs. Feland were married fifty years. Several of the neighbors gathered in with well filled baskets and surprised the young-

sters. They are a jolly couple for their age and it pleased them very much to be thus remembered, the first in our community to celebrate their golden wedding. A very rare occasion indeed, Mr. and Mrs. Feland married when they were twenty-three, he being one month older than she. They said the day 50 years ago was some colder than it was last Wednesday. They seem glad to have lived this long and all wished them much more happiness.

Rev. Nix filled his regular appointment Sunday afternoon. The house was well filled and some of the young people say that he preached the best sermon they ever heard him preach. His subject "Watch," was truly interesting and beneficial to them. He preaches every second and fourth Sundays in the afternoon at 2:30. He always comes in with a smile and bigger the crowd the bigger the smile. You are always welcome at Floyd.

Quite a bit of moving taking place in our community. Mr. Charley Glover is now located in his new home which he recently bought of his brother, Frank Glover. Mrs. Compton moved back to her place this week. Mr. Lenard of Indiana has leased the Morgan orchard for the coming year. Mr. Fred Robertson and family have moved to their place which he purchased of Mr. Sidden. He is adding to the looks and comfort of his home by adding a new room, re-papering and painting. Robert Compton has leased the J. P. Morrison place. Mr. Carroll bought what is known as the Edmondson place half mile south and one mile west of Floyd. Every few days someone wants a place. Someone needs to build some rent houses.

We have several very desirable features around Floyd that encourages people to locate in our midst. Our big hearted citizenship, good preaching, Sunday school every Sunday, our school—before Xmas some of the children wished there wouldn't be any vacation, and since vacation they wish the teachers would teach on Saturday and Sundays, that's self-explanatory, isn't it! and last, but not least, we have a real first-class, up-to-date country store where you can get anything you want from a Ford car down. If

Mr. Hatcher doesn't have it he gets it for you. He certainly does cater to the pure food eater. Mr. and Mrs. Lester King returned to their home Thursday, after spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh King.

Mr. and Mrs. Verner Jones of Portales spent Sunday with home-folks, Mr. and Mrs. Heckathorn.

KENNA ECHOES

School is progressing nicely since the holidays. The pupils report that they had a nice time during the vacation.

Basket ball is being tossed about a great deal the past few days. The teams are getting in shape for some match games.

Jess Morgan of Portales is visiting relatives here.

Mrs. Slade, who has been on the sick list for the past few days, is improving, and we hope that she is soon well again.

Morris Stirman passed through town Tuesday.

Silas Bridges and Miss Iva Roberts of Elida, were Kenna visitors last Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie White entertained the young people last Saturday evening. Refreshments were served and the young people report a "dandy" good time.

Rev. Land, one of the Baptist field workers of this state, delivered a good sermon on "Life," Monday night. He also spoke at the school house Tuesday morning on "Education." It was an inspiring address.

For a while Monday evening it looked like winter time had arrived. We had a nice little snow-storm for a few minutes.

INEZ ITEMS

The singing at Inez Sunday night was well attended by a full house. Some very good singing was done, considering the time since we had last met. The Longs and Inez classes were joined into one class and are expecting to make a good showing at the next

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convention. There will be singing at Inez next Sunday night. We invite all who are good singers or even good listeners, to come and be with us.

Mr. and Mrs. Audie Thomas have moved into their new home. They have the Maize place rented for the coming year. They say when they get quite a bit of repairing done they expect to like their new home fine.

We had quite an interesting Sunday school last Sunday and it was a little earlier. Let's try to be there by ten next Sunday. The sewing class is to meet each Wednesday for the good of the members until the work on hand is completed.

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